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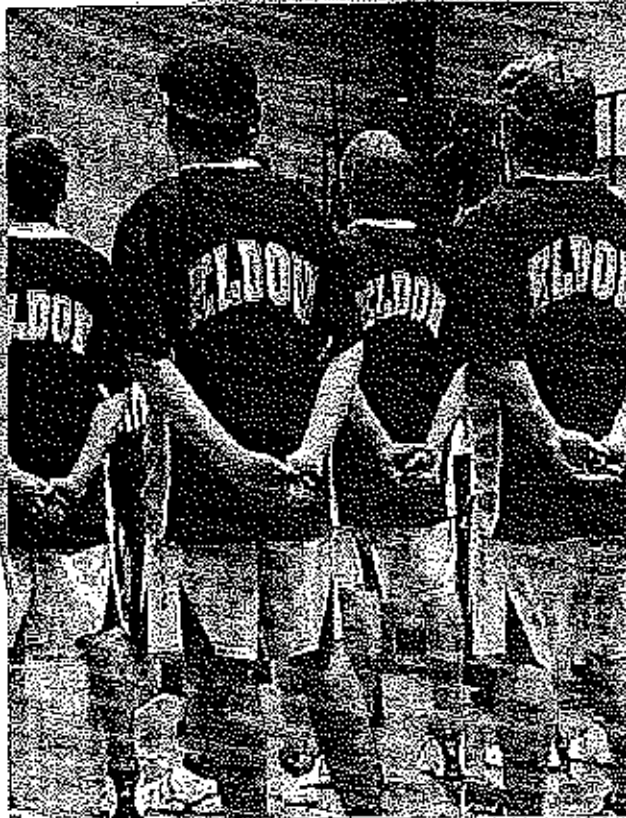
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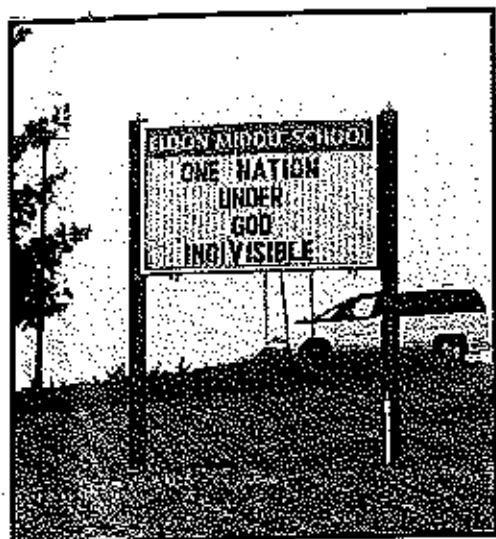
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Through the tough times,
the community stood united.
Patriotism was displayed in
many different ways.



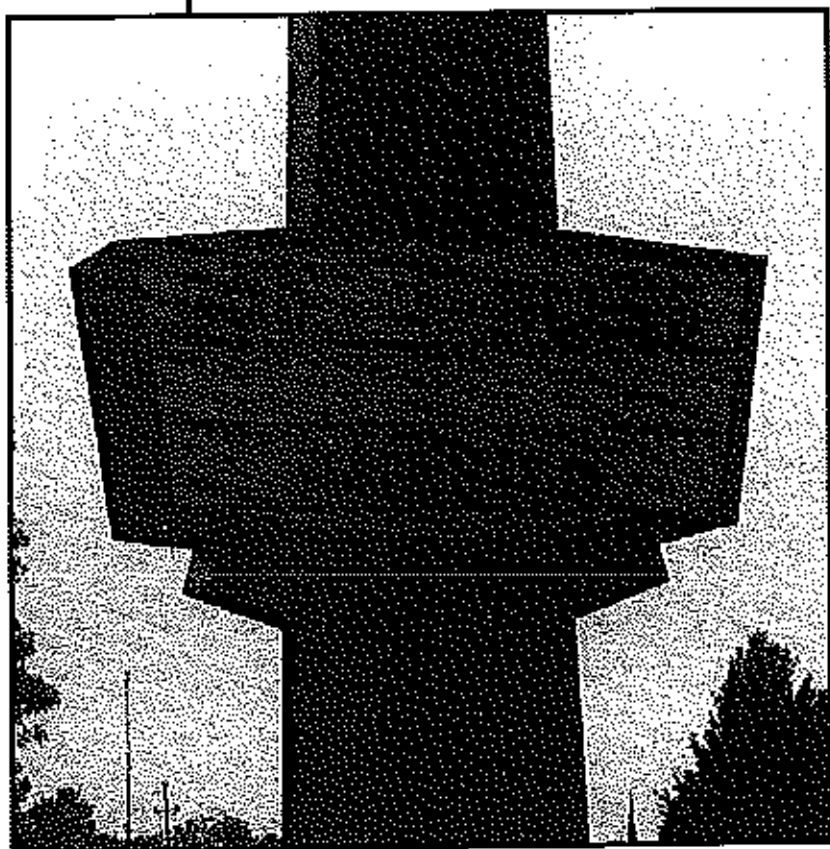
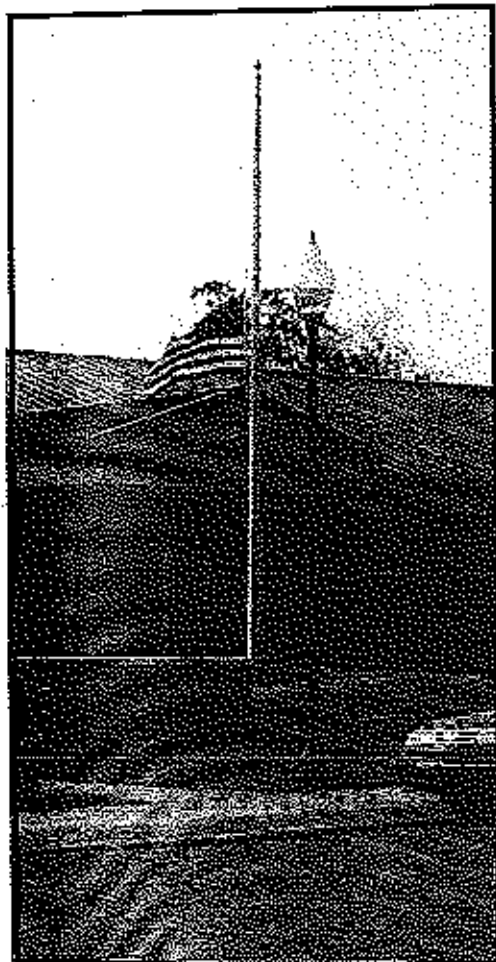
Stand By Me



On September 11, 2001, the tragedy of the attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon occurred. It put a new light on American pride. In a time when discouragement and fear could have been at an all time high, Americans were able to stand together undefeated.

As a yearbook staff we wanted the theme of this book to reflect the unity of America as we remember this day in history.

Julie Wiethaupt



Summer Jobs

Senior Lauren Raynor gives a dog a bath while working for the Eldon vet.



Senior Matt Marks stocks while working at Paul's.

During the summer many students take on the responsibility of having a job. There are many reasons for having a summer job.

"I have to have a summer job to pay for my car," senior Brandi Ahart says.

There are many other reasons, but the most common reason other than car payments is buying presents for significant others.

"I work at Pennacle to buy gifts for my girlfriend and to pay for my jeep," junior David Berike says.

Senior Stefanie Webery cashiers at Orschelns.



What was the best

Sleeping in late

Amber Hoffman
senior

Anticipating my Junior year which has been successful

Tony Sosnowski
junior

Hanging out with friends

Kayla Barrett
sophomore

Sleeping until 3:00 p.m.

Mark Callison
freshman

Vacations

Tara Purnell

How do Eldon students keep busy during the summer break? Some students go to camp, go out of town, or just stay home.

Senior Ashley Grisham went to a Performing Arts Institute. "There were five classes that help improve acting ability. It was a great experience."

While many other students, like Ashley, went to camp, one individual did something far more unusual.

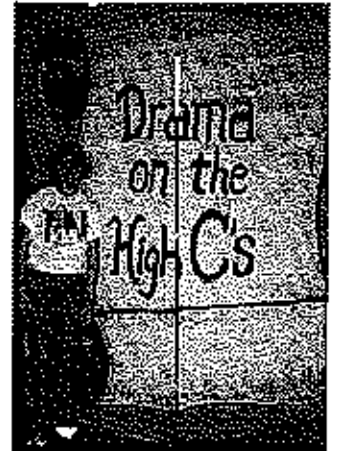
"I went *du-schul* and got prepared to come to America," Martin Ernst said.

Summer is a great time to get out, to learn new things, and to meet new people.



Martin Ernst studies for American History.

Ashley Grisham at the Performing Arts Institute during the summer.



st part of your summer?



"Knowing I get to reign as a senior."

John Gust
senior



"Making money while getting a tan."

Jessica Bailey
junior



"Getting to golf all day."

Drew Jordan
sophomore

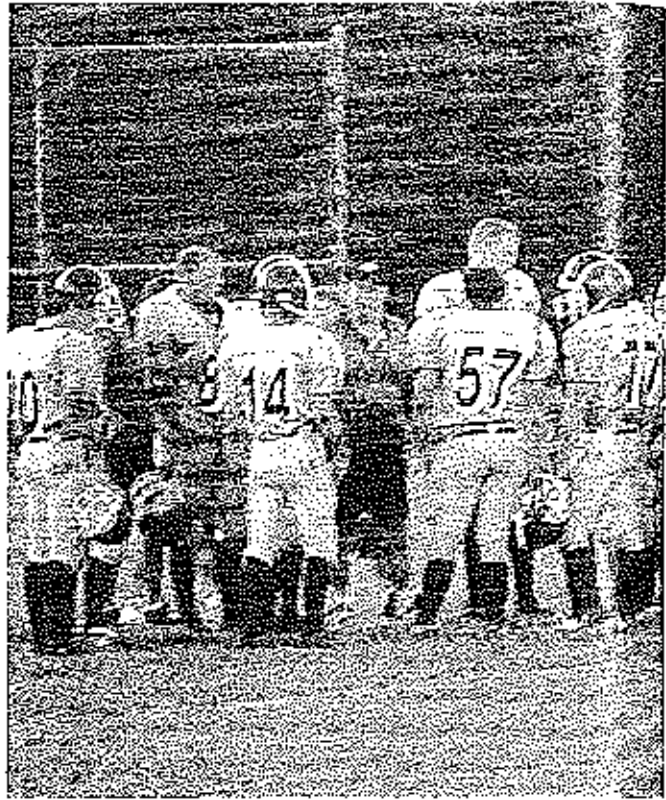
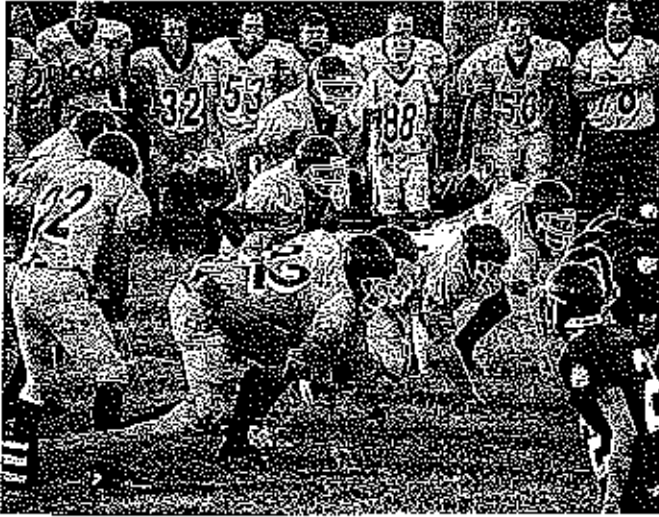


"Sleeping in and not having to do anything."

Sara Cox
freshman

Seniors Eric Harden and Matt Marks are ready on the grid iron.

The varsity football team huddles after warming up before the first game of the night.



Getting Started

School Activities Keep Students Busy

While summer temperatures still heated the days, loaded class schedules, sports practices, early morning band, after school events, and homework all made busy schedules for students. Most students enjoyed the activities and had few complaints.

"The first few weeks of school are always the best, except the loss of sleep from early morning band," said Senior Jennifer Wood.

The beginning of school always brings in many events such as the traditional Osage Football Jamboree. The varsity football team did extremely well at the Jamboree this year. The crowd was there and ready for a new season to start.

"I was ready to start the new season off, and beating Osage that night was the way to start it," said Senior Matt Marks.

The many events of the week kept the student body very busy. It was a great start to the year.

Julie Wiethaupt



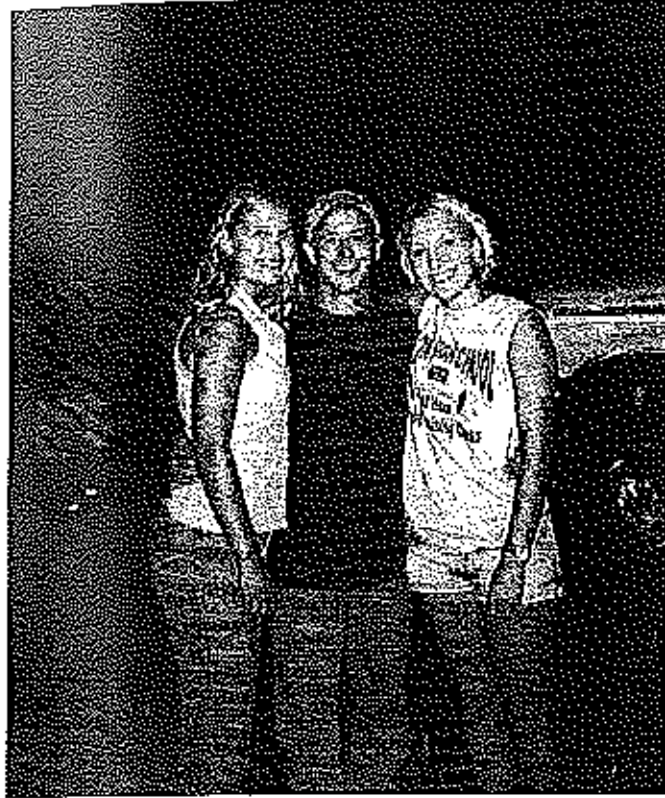
Roady to cheer, seniors Jennifer Wood, Heather Shauck, Kylie Jordan, Dustin Bly, Justin Setser and Robert Lodge wait for the game to begin.



Juniors Meghan Sullins and Brittany King dress for the occasion while in the stands at the Jamboree.

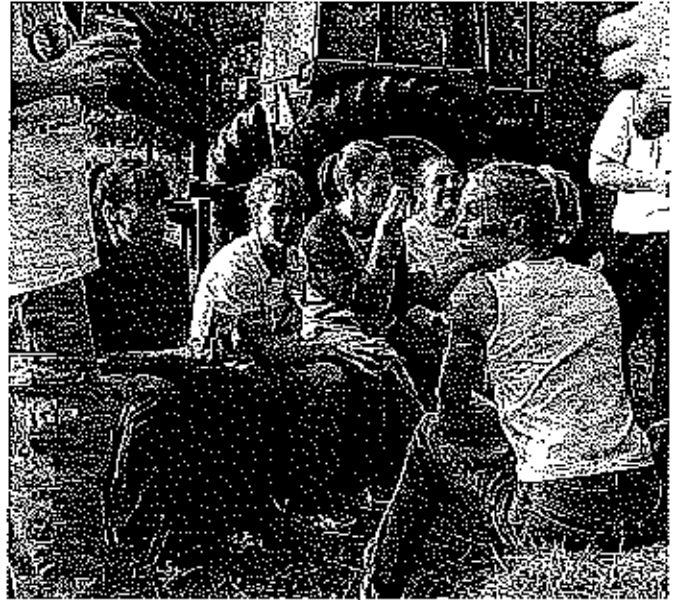
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Seniors Heather Brake, Michael Tailleir, and Shanna Tacker get together for a last shot at the FFA hayride.

Freshmen Keri Mueller and Jenna Harden take a break from all of the events at the hay ride.



Chapter officers start the event with the opening ceremony. Vice-President Heather Shauck steps forward to call the role of offices.

Before the hay ride begins, seniors Katie Taylor, Lauren Raynor and Pennell Pryor gather together after eating.



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World Events

August 26, 2001

After a school day, we went to the Bahamas. Every year, the FFA and 4-H organization was killed. I had to later in the year, I took off. All time, my friends were added in a party, when the machine was not in a cure, a colony.

Stand and Be Recognized

Dawn Erickson

Each team member of every fall sport--football, volleyball, cross country, and softball--was recognized at the first pep assembly.

Brandon Stark said, "We're pretty excited about this year. The pep assembly gets everyone else excited."

The cheerleaders,

flag corps and band pumped up the student body for a great fall season of sports.

(below) Heather Shauck, Sharna Tacker, Dawn Erickson, Samantha Brown, Jennifer Wood, Julie Wiethaupt, and Tessa Frazee show their senior spirit. (right) Seniors Zach Hess and Brandon Stark wait for their names to be called. (far right) Seniors Tara Purnell and Tiffany Horseman perform a cheer. (lower right) Sophomore Nichole Montavy smiles big as she is introduced.



As you try to take a test, you can't avoid the drops of sweat that blur your answers. You look up to see if anyone else is trying to withstand the sauna they call a classroom. The windows are open and the fan is on, but the circulation of hot air doesn't seem to comfort you.

What do you do to stand the heat?



"I eat chili peppers and sit in saunas so I'll be ready for my classes without AC"

- senior Ernie Roe



"I drink a lot of Powerade. It's cool that our teachers let us have it in class when it's hot."

- junior Meghan Sullins



"Heat doesn't really bother me because I'm so hot anyway!"

- sophomore Drew Jordan



"I just stay inside and hope my class has AC."

- freshman Chris Wilt

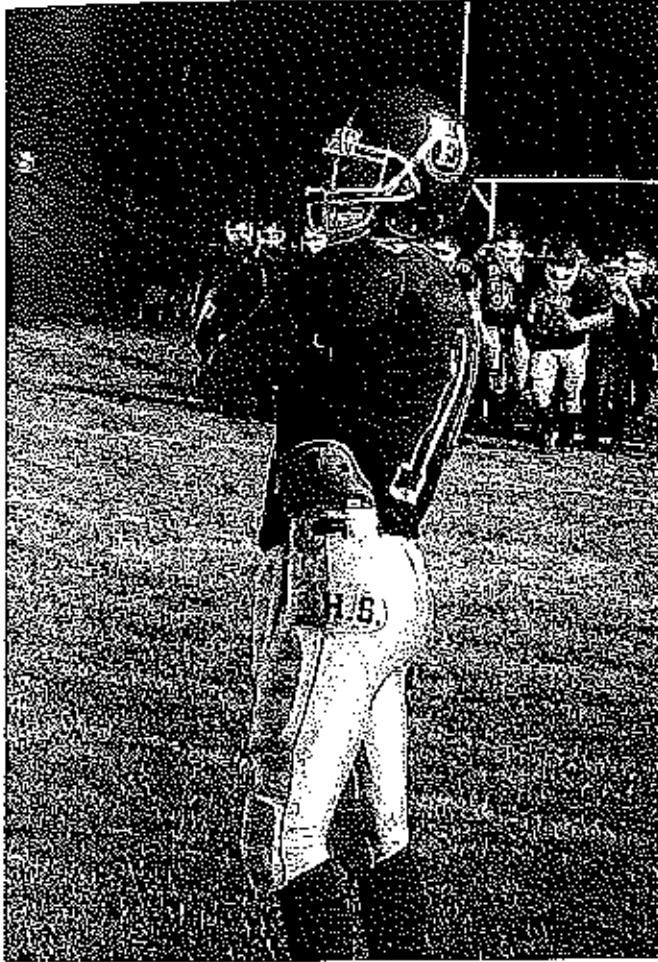
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1. Kurt Warner gets hurt
2. Jay and Silent Bob opens
3. Half million lbs. of beef recalled due to E. coli
4. K.C. pharmacist pleads innocent of wrongful death lawsuit

I didn't really care for the movie *Jay and Silent Bob*. I wanted to ask for a refund."
-Jenny Raynor, junior

Starting quarterback Matt Klien warms up his arm before the first big game of the season.



First Friday Football Game

For the football boys, after a month of hard sweaty practice, it was great to finally be out on the field in uniform. For the student fans, after a whole summer of Friday nights at the Strip, it was good to be able to go to an Eldon football game. The band got to fire up the stands, and the cheerleaders got to show off their mini-cheerleaders. Heather Shauck said, "It can be tough teaching little kids, but they really enjoy it."

Dawn Erickson

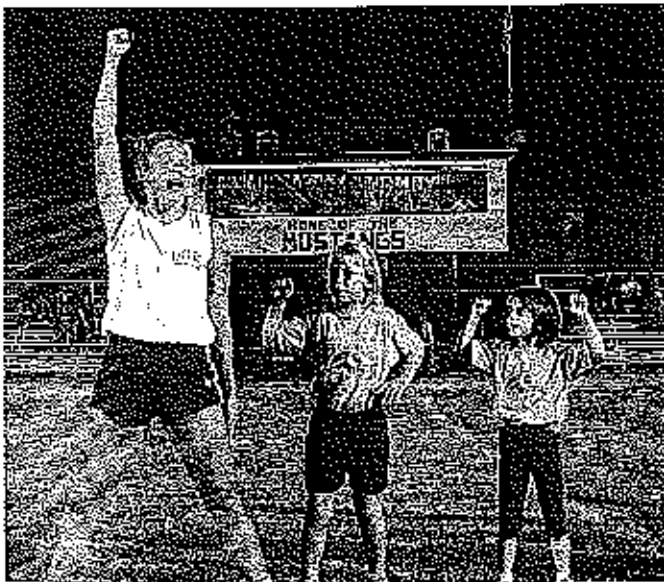


Junior David Benka takes a knee on the sidelines to cool off during a time-out.

Hard at work, senior Eric Harden mows the football field for the first big game. Students take a big part in the care for the field.



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Senior Heather Shauck helps the little kids make a big performance during half time.

The Eldon crowd gets restless at the football game. This was one of the few warm nights.

Standing Together

Elizabeth Gibbs

Students join clubs to meet more people and to help the community.

Junior Katie Otterblne

"I joined Key Club because I enjoy hanging with my friends while helping out the community."



Sometimes it seemed that school was just going to class, but clubs helped to break the everyday routine. They also provided a chance for students to become involved with other students who shared their interests.

Sophomore Brandi Jones said, "I join clubs because they make for good learning experiences. You never know what you're going to learn from other people."

Junior Rachel Backes said, "You don't have to be like everyone else to enjoy one of the clubs at our school. You just have to want to help out our school and community by joining clubs and getting involved."



FBLA Holds First Meeting

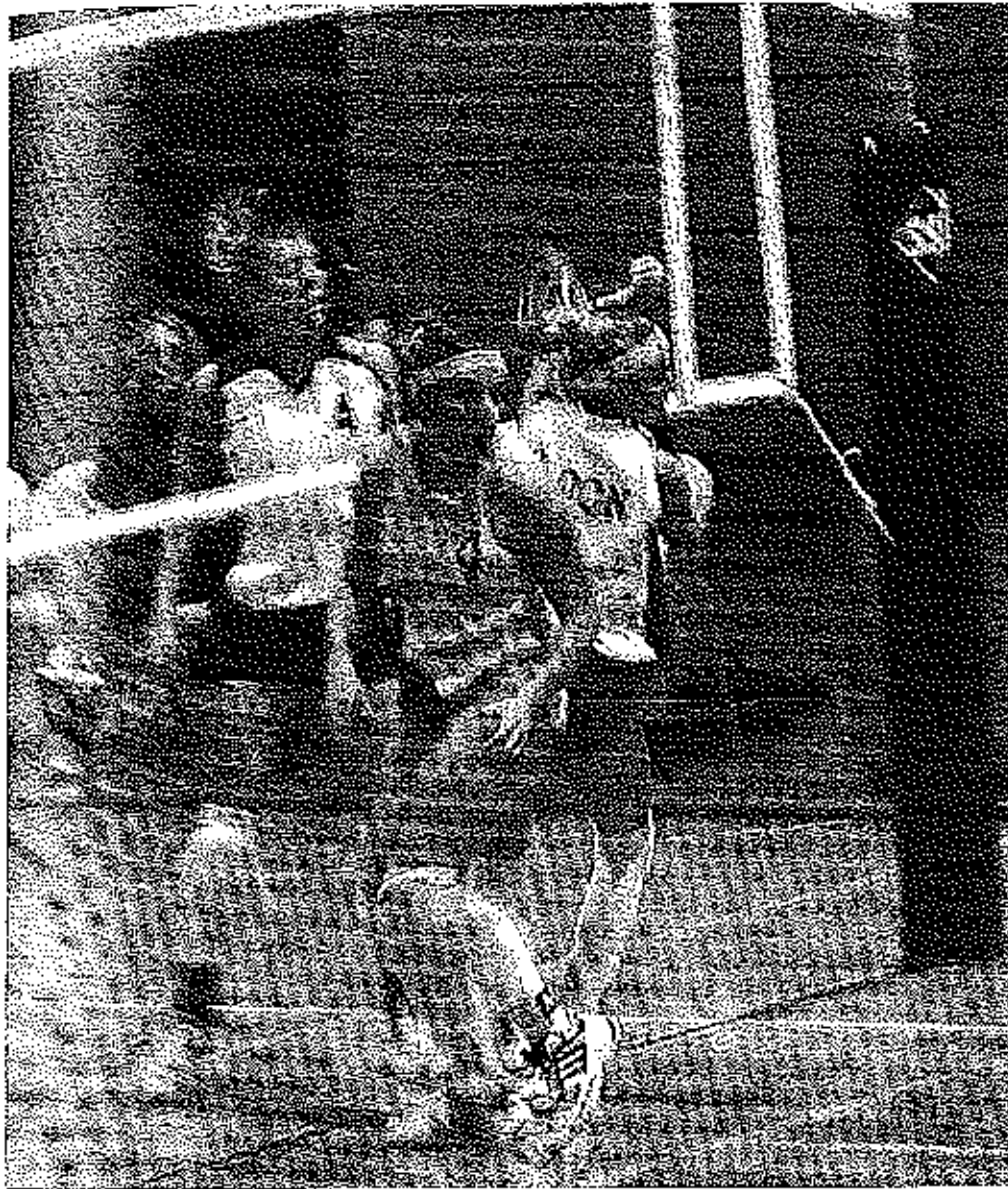
1 FBLA leaders Kellie Schmidt, Kim Vernon, and Josh Tattershall. 2 Members crowd into the room during the meeting. 3 Mrs. Haley and Mrs. Henderson prepare for the start of the meeting.



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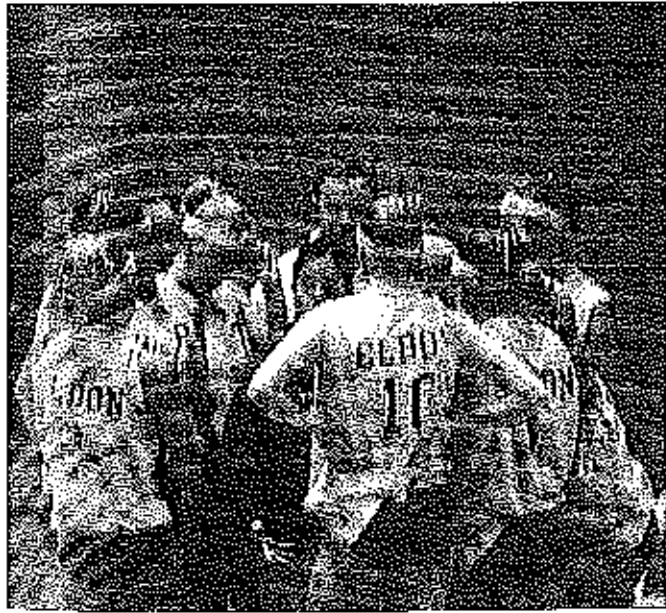
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Lady 'Stangs Volleyball Play Waynesville

Seniors Dawn Erickson and
Tessa Frazee wait for the
return.

Senior Dawn Erickson goes
for a spike.



Huddled together, the team works on their game plan with
Coach Pratt and Coach Herren.

World Events

One dead, another critical after second
deadly shark attack on holiday weekend.

Stem cells used in Wisconsin to develop
first human blood cells.

Yearbook Staff at Ashland

Staff members--(back) Kolly Hubbs, Elizabeth Gibbs, Linfa Homan, Lori Wilson, Karen Kwok, Frankie Arnold, Martin "the German" Ermat, (front) Tara Purnell, Julie Wietshaupt, Jenny Flayncs--pose for a picture at the Ashland workshop. Not pictured Katie Taylor, Tasia Thorne, and Dawn Erickson.



The Yearbook Class Goes to Ashland

Tara Purnell

During a field trip to Ashland, yearbook staffers had the opportunity to practice taking photos from different angles. While Katie Taylor worked to cover all of the angles, senior Dawn Erickson provided the subject matter.

"It hurt my cheeks really bad, but I have big lungs, and I won that ten bucks," said senior Dawn Erickson.

Senior Katie Taylor had fun behind the camera. "It was really funny watching Dawn try to blow up the balloon while I took pictures."

It took a lot of effort and team work to blow up the balloons, but we still won and got good pictures for the yearbook.

World Events

Sept. 11th, 2001

Terrorists Attack World Trade Center and the Pentagon

"I was shocked and scared that the U.S. was going to be in great danger." Jenna Harden, freshman

Blowing Hot Air

Senior Dawn Erickson puts her hot air to use by trying to blow up a balloon at the Ashland Conference.

1 Senior Gust, C Sam O America

Lady Stangs Battle Eugene

Eldon loses 2-13

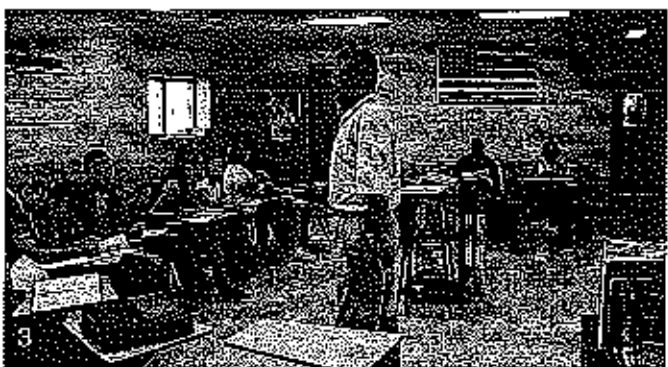


1 Freshman Amanda Heriman winds up for the pitch. 2 Seniors Carrie Lindsey and Jennifer Wood wait to go up to bat.



Life in the Classroom

Despite terrorist attacks on 9-11, class goes on



1 Senior Samantha Brown tries to catch up on her sleep. 2 Seniors John Gust, Carl Hodet, Carrie Lindsey, Dawn Erickson, Julia Wiothaupt, and Sam Cox discuss their Science Research projects. 3 Sophomore American lit. students listen to Mr. Bailey's discussion.

FFA Hog Roast Is Huge Success

Sophomores Ryan Broeker and Matt Mistler do their part as FFA members by serving dinner.

FFA's annual hog roast had a very successful turnout. 1,176 tickets were sold, and \$6,713.55 was raised for future FFA activities.

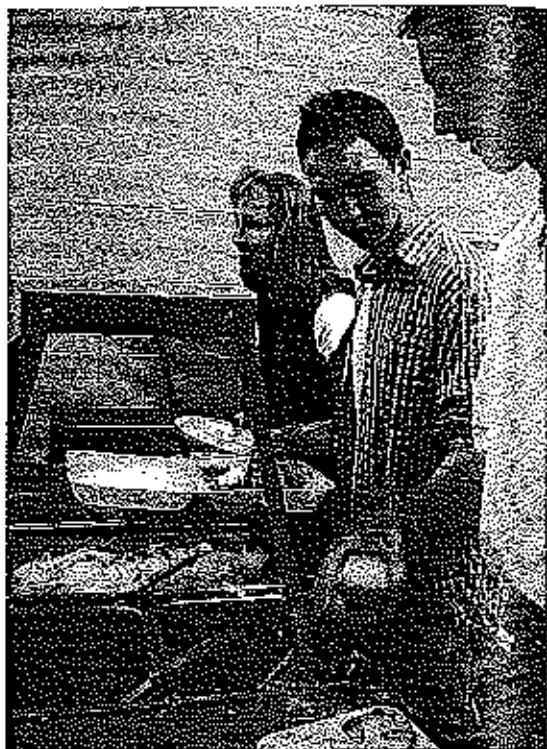
Junior Amanda Schad agreed with junior Brad Miller when he said the hog roast was a "whomping success."

"The annual hog roast and work auction is our only fundraiser," said Schad. "This year we had our best turnout yet. We are thankful for the strong community support."

While the dinner and auction are fun for community members, it's not quite the same for the FFA "work slaves." Many members spent long hours working for the person who bought them. However, some members were luckier.

Junior Bethany Reed said, "Kari Blankenship and I were sold to Judge Oswald. Thankfully, he hasn't called us to work yet. We don't think he's going to be calling anytime soon either; at least we hope not."

The FFA hog roast and work auction has become an enjoyable tradition for the whole community. Not only is it a good time, it is also a very helpful fundraiser for the Eldon FFA Chapter.



Sophomores Danielle Hegg and Theresa Guthrie hand out desserts for the dinner.



Senior FFA member Samantha Brown gets sold to Orscheln.

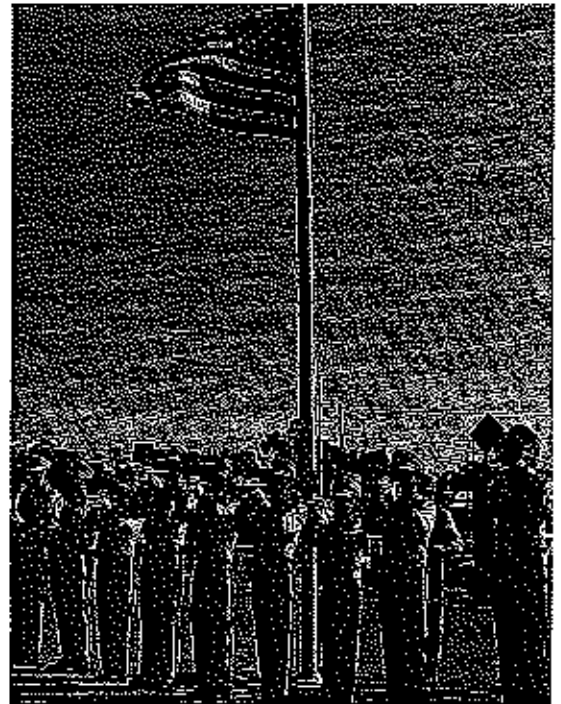
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The brass section of the jazz band
sounds the melody of "God Bless
America."



Jazz Band Performs for Community

The jazz band went to the community center to entertain the judges of the Missouri Community Betterment Contest. They performed a variety of patriotic songs. Above, junior Joe Davis conducts the band.



The drum line paces the beat for a patriotic ensemble at the community center.

World Events

• 50 Missouri gas stations pay \$1,000 to the state for inflating fuel prices.

"I think that this was ridiculous at such a devastating point for our nation. To take advantage of customers is a poor way to profit. I think they deserve a larger fine so that in the future gas stations won't cheat the public."

Junior Kari Blankenship

• Rescue teams come home from New York, after one week of digging through rubble.

"To be a hero in this time for even a week, is to be a hero forever."

Junior Tony Sosnowski

Working Hard for Their Team

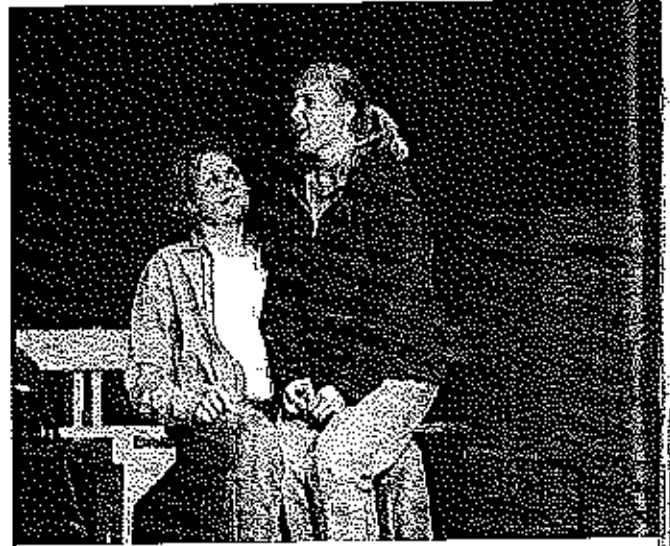
Right: Senior Susan Reed waits for the ball.
Below: Sophomore Jassi Kirchner rushes to catch the ball.



Drama Class Performs Duos

Right: Senior Lauren Raynor acts like Santa while senior Brandi Ahart plays a spoiled kid who wants everything at Christmas.

Below: Junior Tony Sosnowski portrays a bank robber while sophomore Dawn Dresta hides under the table as his hostage.



Having Fun in Choir

The fifth hour choir takes a break from their normal routine while junior Krystal Evans shows them her musical abilities on the guitar.



World Events

- * Bush freezes terrorists' financial assets
- * Crop-dusters grounded due to terrorist interest
- * Celebrities raise more than \$150 million for attack relief
- * Gas prices fell 2 cents over last two weeks
- * Jordan's comeback appears certain

"[Lowered gas prices] help out a lot, except for my Dad who loses money." -- Jenna Gier, junior

FFA Takes 1st

Central District Grassland Contest

Mr. Biddle's Advanced Animal Science class studied hard for the Central District Grassland judging contest. For weeks they studied plant samples, wildlife habitat, and learned how to determine soil and grassland condition. They took field trips and spent many hours after school going to farms to get hands on experience of how the contest would be and how to properly evaluate the area.

Mr. Biddle said, "This year's team is the best one I have had for awhile." He anticipated that they would get 1st place at the district contest.

Eldon took two teams to the district contest near Sedalia where 18 other teams from the Central Missouri Region competed. The contest covered all aspects of grassland management. Team A won first place and received a plaque. Team B scored high enough to place 3rd, but since only one team from each school could win, it didn't matter. Team A then advanced to the state level. All members from both Team A and Team B made the top 25 in the individual contest. High individual scorers were Pennell Pryor 2nd place, Linda Homan 3rd place, and Sarah Burditt 4th place. They each received a plaque.

When asked what she thought about the contest, Heather Brake said, "Competing in the contest was an educational experience, and it was fun because it didn't rain."

All their hard work and determination paid off in the end and gave them a 1st place title at districts, sending them on to state.

Lori Wilson

1. Heather Brake and Samantha Brown study plant samples before class starts. 2. Pennell Pryor and Heather Brake wait for Mr. Biddle to answer their question about the contest. 3. The class listens while Mr. Biddle explains the difference in two different plants. 4. The Grassland contest team: (front) Jennifer Crocket, Stefano Webery, Samantha Brown, Pennell Pryor, and Heather Brake, (back) Lori Wilson, Linda Homan, Sarah Burditt, Shawn Frazier, Lauron Raynor and advisor Matt Biddle.

Getting Ready for Homecoming

Classes

Build Floats for Parade

A lot of hard work goes into building class floats for the homecoming parade. Several students participated.

Suzanne Mattsson said, "The hardest part of float building was trying not to get paint all over me."

The theme for the parade was "Can't Stop the 'Stangs." For the best class float, the junior class received first place. Their float had a football player, chasing a coyote on horseback towards the Eiffel Tower. The title was "Send 'em Back to Paris." The sophomores took 2nd place and the freshmen came in 3rd.

"My favorite class float was the senior float, even though it took last place, because I support my class," says Sam Cox.

After a week of hard work students looked forward to the Homecoming parade.

— Linda Homan —

(Top) Micheal Groner and Nick Grisham put in time after school to work on the Sophmore float. (Bottom) Mr. Bailey helps the juniors work on building their class float.

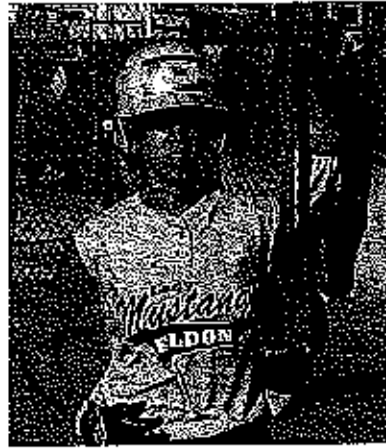


Katie Taylor,
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Jennifer Ridge work
on the class float.

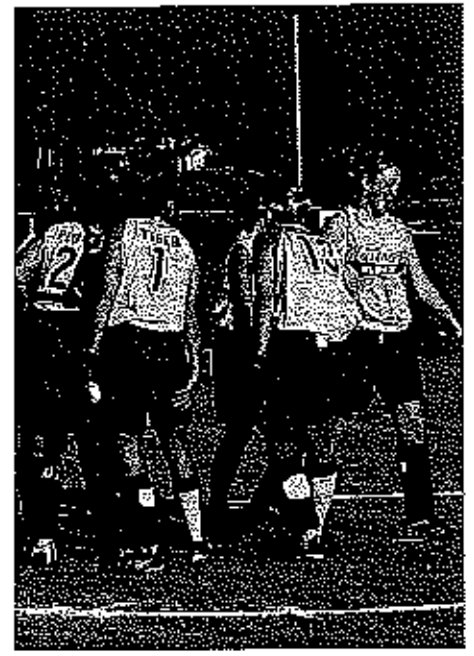




(Left) Senior Adrienne Guthrie hits the ball into the left field. (Right) The team huddles before the game against Macs Creek.



Senior Susan Reed runs to first base during the softball game against Macs Creek.



Places to Hang Out



Seniors Tami Halderman, Heather Shauck, Heather Webery, Katie Taylor and junior Melissa Hegg in Mr. Haley's class.



Freshman Traci Miller smiles as she leaves the lunchroom.



Sophomore Jessica Atwell and senior Suzanne Mattsson talk in the hallway while waiting for school to begin.

World Events

Bob Stevens was the first man to receive Anthrax in a quarter of a century in the United States.

Taliban refuses to hand over Osama bin Laden without proof that he was responsible for the September 11th attacks on the U.S.

President Bush asks Congress to approve a stimulus plan for \$60 billion to try to keep America out of recession.



Juniors Richard Wilkins and Tim Hamilton hang out in the commons after school with freshmen Dustin Hollandsworth and Paul Gust.

Can't Stop

the 'Stangs

Homecoming Hits Eldon High

Kelly Hubbs and Jenny Raynor

This year's spirit week was different from years past because there wasn't a school-sponsored bonfire, an Eldon high school tradition. The cancelation of the bonfire upset a lot of students.

"It's a big disappointment that some people acted irresponsibly and lost the tradition for everyone else, but this year we're trying to come up with an awesome assembly to try to make up for the bonfire," said executive officer Katy Lacy. "It will definitely be fun and spirit-rific!"

"Awesome" was an appropriate word to describe the assembly. Lasers, homecoming kings and "queens" and a crowd that was ready to watch our team head to victory were all present at the homecoming pep assembly. With

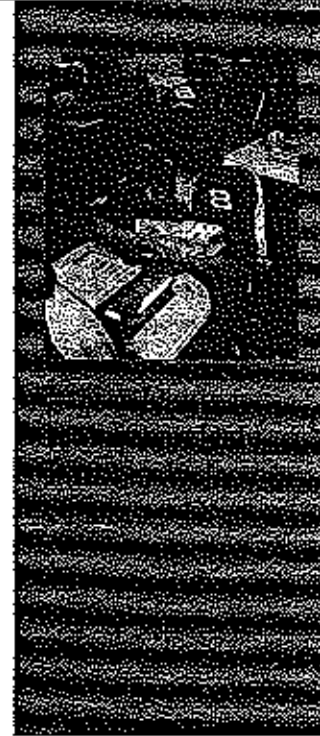
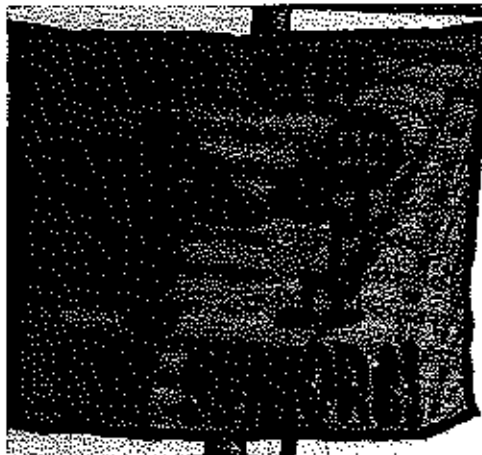
so many things going on, it was hard not to get into the spirit of the game.

"This assembly was put together very well. I think if all of our assemblies went as well as this one, more people would want to go to them," senior Katie Taylor said of the homecoming assembly.

This was the feeling from many of the students who attended this assembly.

Sophomore Dylan Herx said of the pep assembly, "It was a very good show, and I wish that more of the assemblies were as interesting as that one."

In the end we won our game too and pulled off a victory. It was a great feeling to unite together at a pep assembly and win the game that night.



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Senior Shawna Schofield and Junior Kyle Davenport showing their spirit on pajama day.

Queens for a day, seniors Brandon Stark and Zack Hees and Juniors Mykel Abbot, Luke Gier, and Nathan King.



The battle for the crown. Queen candidates Tessa Frazee, Jennifer Wood, Shanna Tacker, Dawn Ericson, and Adrienne Guthrie before the homecoming football game.

World Events

U.S. begins second attack on Afghanistan

Security heightened around New York City; high school opens up in ground zero.

Two Americans and a Japanese scientist win the Nobel in chemistry

Taking time to remember a month later. U.S. leaders attend service at Pentagon.

Airlines flunk the first federal test of post-Sept. 11 rules on baggage scanning.

Time to Say Goodbye

Katie Taylor

Monday, October 15 was Senior Recognition Night for the volleyball girls. The four senior volleyball girls Dawn Erickson, Tessa Frazee, Samantha Brown, and Shanna Tacker were recognized for their achievements over their past four years of high school.

When asked what she was feeling during senior night, Tessa Frazee said, "I was very sad because I realized that I don't have much more time with all of my friends before I leave for college. It will be a night that I will always remember and cherish."

Senior night was an emotional time for the players. Samantha Brown said, "It was very emotional for me. It's upsetting to leave my family and friends, but I'm very excited to get out on my own. I think I've learned a lot from my experiences during high school, but I know I have a lot more to learn. It's not here; it's out in the world which I'm very excited about. I realized all of this on my senior night, which I will never forget."

All of the girls' parents came down on the court and surprised them with flowers and balloons for good luck and a job well done. As the girls stood next to their parents and listened as their achievements and goals were announced over the P.A. system, they realized the sorrow of graduating and leaving high school and friends behind, but also the excitement of their destination later in life. This is what keeps these girls going and doing all of the things they have done in high school for themselves and their community.



1. Seniors Dawn Erickson, Samantha Brown, Tessa Frazee, and Shanna Tacker give each other one last hug at Senior Recognition. 2. Senior Samantha Brown takes her walk at Senior Recognition. 3. Parents and senior players stand together while they get recognized.

World Events

Oct. 15th--Diamondbacks knock Cards out of playoffs

Oct. 17th--Senate wing closed by Anthrax; more than 2 dozen test positive

Oct. 19th--Special forces troops move into Afghanistan to root out terrorists



Queen Heather Shauck and King Mike Talleur warm up the dance floor.



Seniors Sam Cox and Carrie Lindsay hop in the sack race.



Barnwarming

Tasia Thorne

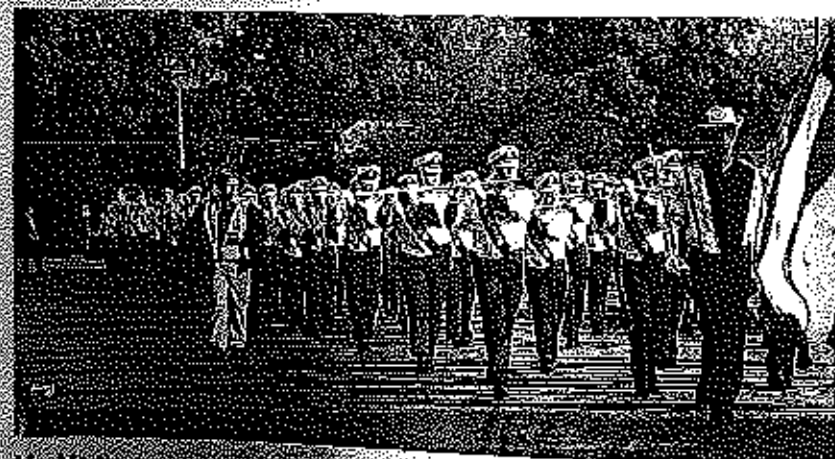
One of the most popular fall events is Barnwarming. The night consists of a sack race, nail driving contest, and dancing, and even includes royalty.

The old gym was transformed into a barn by filling it with 250 straw bales. All of the nominees completed each game that was held at the dance. Towards the end of the night all of their points and votes were tallied up. The retiring 2000 king and queen Aaron Bungart and Shanna Tacker crowned Heather Shauck and Mike Talleur.

When asked how it felt to be crowned 2001 Barnwarming royalty, Heather Shauck said, "It was an honor, and I was proud to be an Aggy." Mike Talleur was also pleased to be crowned, "I was very surprised I was announced king, and it was a lot of fun competing in the activities."



Barnwarming King and Queen Heather Shauck and Michael Talleur (at top center) and their court: (front row) sophomores Tessa Taylor and Tyo Shauck, juniors Melissa Hegg and Elliott Rush, freshmen Annio Abbott and Casey Stacks; (second row) juniors Daanna Boardman and Luke Gier, seniors Heather Brako and Matt Marks.



Mr. Maddy marches with the band

Marching Mustangs
Perform at SMSU
Homecoming Parade

4th Place-3A

4th Place Overall Out of 41 Bands in
All Classes

Overall Caption Award:
"Outstanding Musical Sound"
Only Band with Perfect Score of
50/50 in Music Category

Lady 'Stangs Place 3rd in Districts



Junior Erin Caine serves for the Mustangs on the first night of districts against Fulton.

The Class 3-A District 8 Volleyball tournament is the last chance for teams across central Missouri to advance on to sectionals and possibly even state. Districts was held on October 22nd and 23rd at the California Pinto's gym. Teams that participated were Helias, California, Osage, Versailles, Fulton, and Eldon. The Mustangs played their first game against Fulton.

Junior Deanna Boardman said, "The Fulton game was mainly just a warm-up game for the harder games to come. It was also a confidence booster for the whole team because every player on our team was involved in our 15-7 victory."

The next game, however, was a little more of a challenge. The Mustangs played their next game against the California Pintos.

"Winning districts was one of our main goals all year long," said junior Erin Caine. "When we came up short losing to California, we were all a little disappointed."

The Lady 'Stangs lost the final games 8-15 and 7-15, finishing 3rd overall. The Helias Crusaders took 1st place by beating California and advanced to sectionals.

Jenny Raynor

Honor Teams



Samantha Brown

Tri-County All-Conference Team



Deanna Boardman

All-District 1st Team, Tri-County All-Conference Team



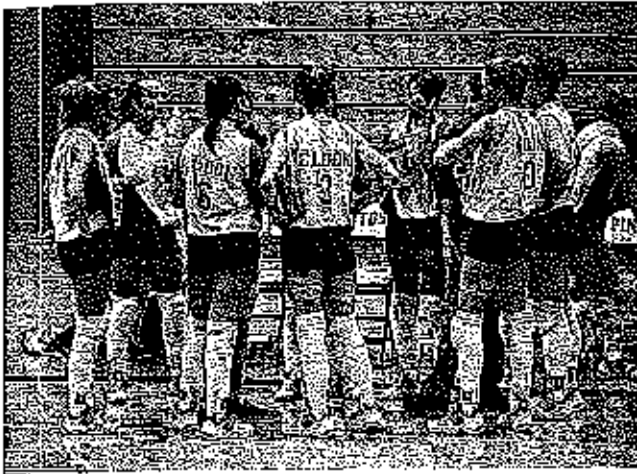
Erin Caine

Tri-County All-Conference Honorable Mention Team, All Districts 2nd Team



Dawn Erickson

Tri-County All-Conference Honorable Mention Team, All-Regional Honors



The varsity volleyball players take time to discuss the game against California.

Senior Tessa Frazee and sophomore Kiesha Daulton at the net, ready for a block.



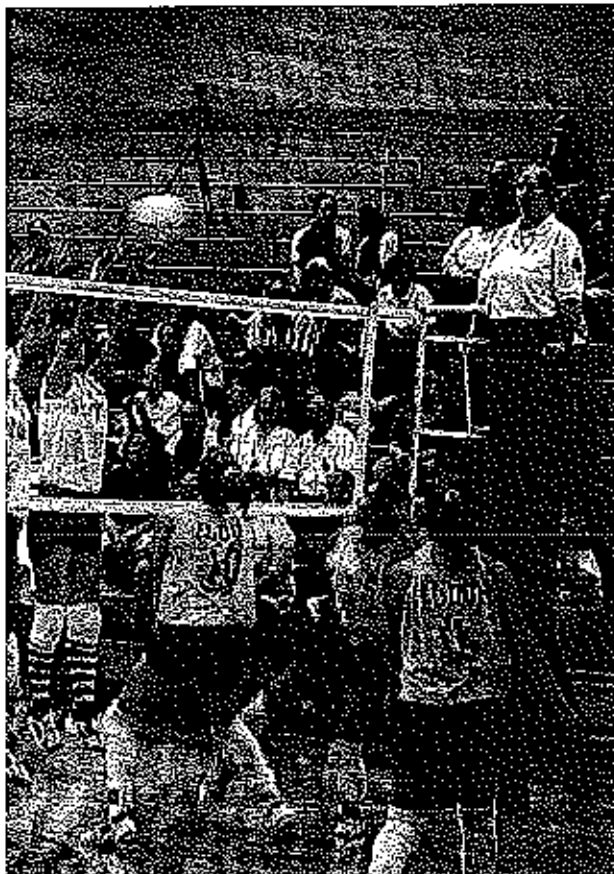
Sophomore Kiesha Daulton backs up senior Tessa Frazee as she bumps the ball over the net.



Junior Erin Caine and seniors Shanna Tacker, and Samantha Brown are ready for a hit.



Seniors Tessa Frazee, Dawn Erickson, and junior Deanna Boardman watch their teammates from the bench.



World Events

- The jury clears O.J. Simpson of road rage charges.

"I think that they should have already put O.J. in jail. He is a really mean guy. Murdering people is bad!"

-sophomore Michael Groner

- Daylight savings time was over at 2:00 A.M. on Saturday. Everyone set their clocks back one hour. It will return April 7th.

"I'm glad that daylight savings time is over because I got to sleep an extra hour. I like it when the sun goes down early, but it wakes me up when the sun comes up at 6:00 A.M!"

-freshman Cheri Yow

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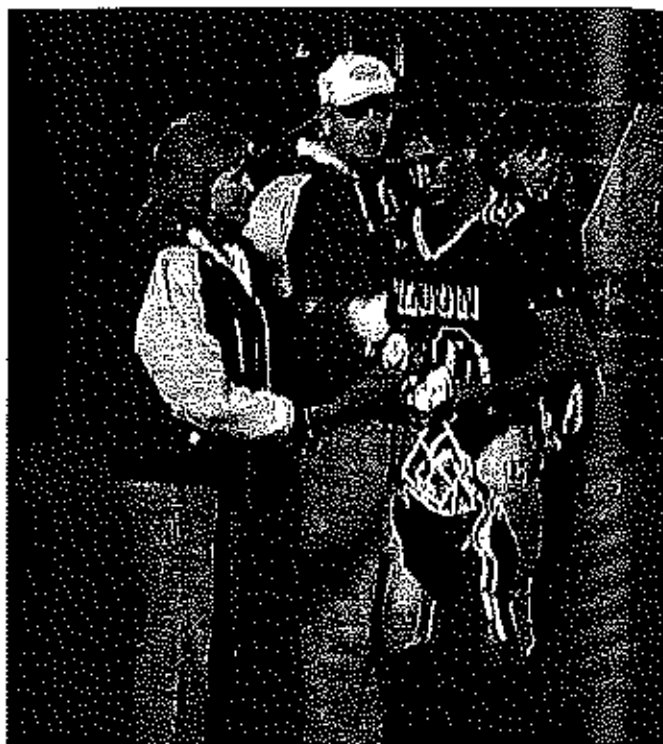
The last night to put on your home jersey; the last time to cheer on the boys as they run down the field; the last time to look at the scoreboard and see Mustangs vs. Guests.

The football field is more than just a place for the boys to play; it's their home, their turf. For the cheerleaders, they've been with the boys the whole way.

These are all reasons for high emotions on senior night. The senior athletes say goodbye to a game that has been a big part of their high school lives. They are honored by being introduced with their parents for the last home game of the year.

Julle Wiethaupt

After shaking hands with the coaches, senior Corbett Eidson walks to meet his parents.



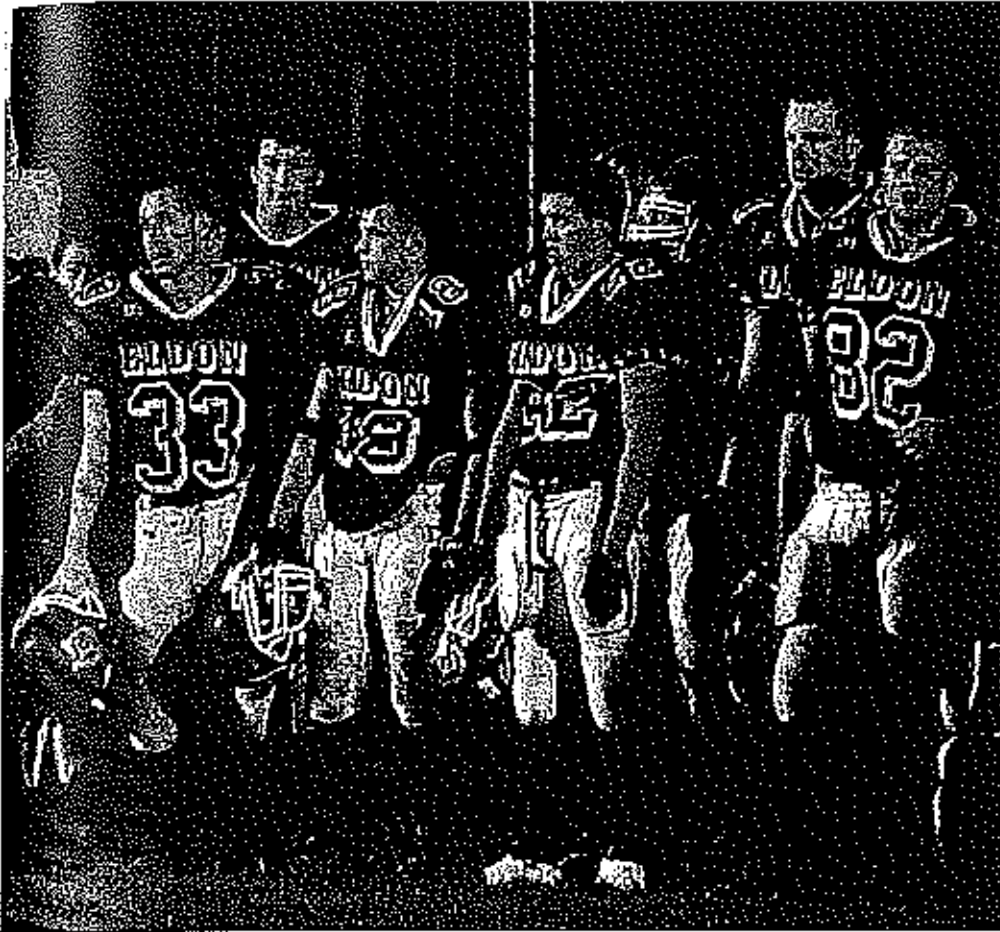
Remembering the season they had together, junior Jenna Giar looks on as sophomore Kristen Bungart gives senior Tara Purnell a hug.

Drum major Joe Davis leads the band for the last pregame performance.



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Senior football players Josh Fitzpatrick, Zack Hess, Eric Harden, Matt Marks and Brandon Stark get ready to begin their last home game.

Carrie Lindsey stands with her mother after being escorted during the senior ceremonies.



Senior Jennifer Wood marches during the half for the final time.



Tiffany Horseman looks over the gifts she received on senior night. Tiffany has been on the varsity squad for three years.

World events

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Sounds of the Gridiron

1 Drum majors Sam Cox and Joe Davis stand at attention. 2 Sophomore Kyla Bryant and junior Misty Kruse perform a flag routine. 3 The drum line performs the marching cadence.

The Eldon High School Marching Mustangs displayed Mustang spirit at the "Sounds of the Gridiron" concert on November 6th. The band performed songs from its pregame shows, halftime shows and parades. The flag corps also performed.

Last summer it was decided that the Marching Mustangs would perform songs with a patriotic theme for this year's halftime show. After September 11, that patriotic theme took on a much greater significance. In honor of Veteran's Day, the Marching Mustangs were proud to present the selections from their "Salute to America" halftime show.

Director Rex McCargar was pleased by the night's performance and said, "I appreciated the crowd's response."



Linda Homan



WORLD EVENTS

- Paulie Polkemond backs pitching A.J. Greif against the New York Yankees in the 7th game.
- Government offices and post offices reopen after anthrax attacks for the first time.
- Oil prices reach record high with OPEC increases.
- Gas prices drop below \$1.00 for the first time in months.



Drum majors Sam Cox and Joe Davis conduct the band.

Joe Davis
Kyla
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Fall Play



Cast
Joe Davis, Jamie Koerner,
Katy Lacy, Ian Garbi, Kyle
Quigley, Sarah Burditt, Tony
Sosnowski, Tiffny Horseman,
Brandi Ahart, Heather Shauck,
Lauren Raynor, Jody Bunce,
Ashley Grisham, Haefi
Dunstan

Crew

Dylan Herz, Amber Hoffmann, Adam
Raynor, Ryan Porter, Gregory George,
Meianio Boots, Heather Moritz, Audra
Tacker, Trisha Hazel, Megan
Kreisinger, Kristen Bungart, Nick
Connery, Jessica Bailey, Lori Schulte,
Stacey Reed, Bethany Richter,
Jennifer Golden, Brandi Ahart



November 8th and 9th

Eldon High School Drama Presents

Chickenheart

screenplay by Craig Sodaro
directed by David Bailey



Tony Sosnowski at-
tempts one of his many
magic tricks.

Jamie Koerner and Tony
Sosnowski are lip locked for a
happy ending.



Heather Shauck, Lauren Raynor, and Katy Lacy are all
very poised as nuns.

Katy Lacy looks in horror as Ian Garbi threatens Tony
Sosnowski with the tip of his sword.

Lights, camera, action! Adam
Raynor takes control of all the
audio, lights, and anything else
that needs a techno's touch.

TOP: (left) Ian Garbi sits
on hidden Tony
Sosnowski during the
play. (right) Joe Davis and
Katy Lacy snuggle
together on the bench.

Fall Sports Booster Club Banquet

Softball

MVP infield ~ Kylie Jordan

MVP Outfield ~ Adrienne Guthrie

MVP Overall ~ Susan Reed

Most Coachable ~ Jannifer Wood

Sure Glove ~ Carrie Lindsey

Rookie of the Year ~ Amanda Herriman

Hustler ~ Jaime Wright

Big Stick RBI Queen ~ Jessica Bailey

Clutch Hitter ~ Tarrin Schmidt

Volleyball

Best Offensive ~ Dawn Erickson

Best Defensive ~ Samantha Brown

MVP ~ Dawn Erickson

Most Dedicated ~ Karl Blankenship

Most Improved ~ Deanna Boardman

Hustler Award ~ Shanna Tacker

Coach's Award ~ Abbie Kropf

Football

Best Defensive Back ~ Corbett Eidson

Best Receiver ~ Mykel Abbott

Best Running Back ~ Chris Herriman

Best Linebacker ~ Chris Herriman

Most Improved Player ~ Zac Hess

Best Defensive Lineman ~ Matt Marks

Best Offensive Lineman ~ (coaward)

Zac Thompson & Brandon Bysor

Newcomer of the Year ~ Josh Fitzpatrick

Best Special Team Player ~ Matt Klein

MVP Defense ~ Eric Harden

MVP Offense ~ Conor Henley

Mustang MVP ~ Brandon Stark

Sportsmanship ~ Matt Marks

Cross Country

MVP Runner ~ George Price

Most Improved ~ Matt Mistler

Best Senior Finish ~ Jacob Dreese

Best JV Finish ~ Regan Wilson

Best Finishing Kick ~ Trevor James

Best Starter ~ Michael Paynter

Guts Award ~ Kory Hannah

Lady Mustang Runner ~ Tasha Melendez

Dwight Strood American Family Insurance Sportsmanship Plaque

Volleyball ~ Tessa Frazee
Football ~ Matt Marks
Softball ~ Paige Blansett
Cross Country ~ Tasha Melendez



Junior Chris Herriman and senior Kylie Jordan are pleased with their awards.

National FFA Leadership Conference

17 FFA members traveled to Nashville, TN to attend a three-day conference.

What was the best part of the conference?



"I really enjoyed the guest speaker. I especially liked the 'I'm special' chant that the speaker taught us."

Jessica Davenport
junior

FFA Greenhand and Chapter Degree Initiation

85 first-year members received Greenhand Degree,
48 second-year members received Chapter Degree

Why did you join FFA?

"I joined FFA because I grew up with it. I thought I could go pretty far in it and have a lot of FUN."

Jeremy Haley
freshman



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Jazz members pictured: Senior Shawn "Smoothie" Smith on trombone; sophomore Jordan Bauer on trombone; Junior Joe Davis on saxophone; senior Ben Apperson on trumpet.

Jazz Concert



At left senior Lauren Raynor embraces her man, senior Chris Gibbs. Above center sophomores Keisha Daukon and Nicole Kirkweg sing "America the Beautiful." Above right senior Emma Ross, freshman Sarah Bjordan and junior Misty Kruse. Lower right Tyler Newel saves the day as Mighty Mouse.

(Right) Varsity cheerleaders pump up the crowd.
 (Far Right) Tip it high. Tip it low. Come on, tip it Joe.



1 Chris Herriman goes in for the free throw. 2 Matt Marks and Chris Herriman fight for the ball. 3 Mykel Abbott plays defense.

Varsity Stomps Dixon



(Right) Justin Setser and Mykel Abbott watch the game from the bench. (Left) Matt Marks prepares for the rebound. (Below) Justin Setser concentrates on his next move.

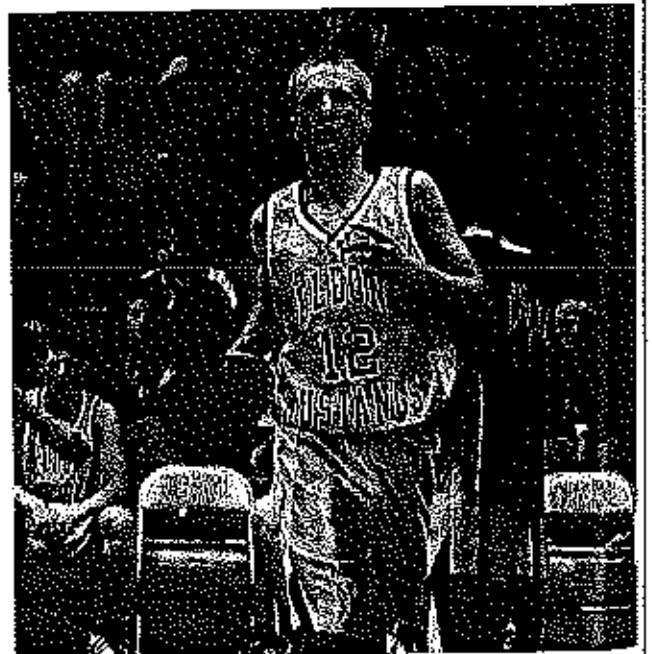


World Events

U.S. puts \$25 million price on bin Laden

"Rather than paying Afghans to turn in bin Laden, we need to send in our special forces to hunt him down."

Brandon Procter



State Bound

Tara Pumell

Eldon varsity cheerleaders headed off to State Saturday, November 17th. Nervous and anxious, they knew that they were well prepared.

"I was pumped and ready to go. I was really confident about our routine," senior Tiffny Horseman said.

As the cheerleaders entered the tunnel, they began getting more nervous.

"The tunnel is where we go right before we go out onto the floor, and we were all very nervous, but I knew all we had to do was be our best," senior Brandi Ahad said.

After watching 17 other teams compete, the girls were ready for the results. They received 9th place.



Varsity cheerleaders getting their groove on at the Missouri State Cheerleading Competition.



(Left) Varsity cheerleaders end their routine with a bang! (Above) Varsity cheerleaders ready to begin their routine.

Junior Varsity Eldon Tournament

A change occurred in the brackets of the Eldon Tournament when Blair Oaks, an opposing team, had a tragic loss. Four athletes were involved in a car accident. Only three of them survived. Blair Oaks canceled all of their games due to the accident. However, the Tournament had to go on. The Eldon freshman team took the place of Blair Oaks.

"We found out we had to play first hour that day," said freshman Colleen McDevitt. "No one had their uniforms, and we were all very nervous. I thought it was an honor to play for Blair Oaks in their time of tragedy. Our team really stepped up a level from previous games. We played hard against JV and we are all proud of placing 2nd in their tournament."

The Eldon JV girls team took first in their tournament and were very happy with the way their freshmen team played.

"We wish that Blair Oaks could have participated, but our freshmen girls were as

good of a challenge as any," said sophomore Theresa Guthrie. "I was disappointed that there wasn't much other JV competition, but I'm happy that we came out on top," said sophomore Jordan Drake.

The JV boys didn't play as well as they would have liked.

"Our first game was upsetting because we lost to Osage," said sophomore Kory Hannah. "Losing to them probably brought our confidence level down some. We should have played better because our bracket wasn't that hard at all. We came out in 3rd place."

The freshmen boys also had to play for Blair Oaks. The boys seemed to be more excited than nervous.

Freshman Austin White said, "We played respectfully for a freshmen team. We gained a lot of experience from playing with the upperclassmen. I think playing with them will help us for the upcoming season."

Jenny Raynor

Junior Chris Herriman looks for someone to pass the ball to at the Varsity game against Sheerwood.



Varsity Tipton Tournament

The first varsity basketball tournament of the year turned out to be a great victory for the boys.

"We played together in the Tipton Tournament, and I really felt we matured as a team. There wasn't much competition until the championship game on Saturday against Tipton, but we beat them and won 1st place," said junior Chris Herriman. "But if there's one better thing you can come away with besides a trophy, it has got to be that unforgettable smell of the Tipton gym!"

Things didn't go as well for the girls. They also had a more difficult bracket. Their first game was more of a football game against Moberly.

Senior Kylie Jordan said, "I've never seen a team as rough as Moberly! Number 52 was especially bad. She kept attacking Dawn Erickson. She finally got a technical when she elbowed her! We lost that game, and we weren't that excited about claiming Consolation, but we were very happy about beating Osage 53-21!"

Jenny Raynor

Below Junior Joe Crismon and senior Matt Marks block the ball at the Tipton Tournament.



Above Mykel Abbott blocks Sheerwood from passing.

It's Beginning to Sound a Lot Like Christmas



Four students from Eldon High School participated in the Lake Area Community Orchestra. They played a series of Christmas Concerts this winter and planned to perform as the orchestra for LAPAG plays. Below senior Shawn Smith, sophomore Adam Raynor, junior Luke Dusenberry, and senior Walker Wilhoit pose for a picture after their first concert at the Lake Christian Church.



Senior Walker Wilhoit sets the rhythm playing the timpani.



Sophomore Adam Raynor plays the wind chimes.



World Events

Three teens in Massachusetts were accused of plotting a "holocaust" style massacre at their high school. They were plotting to kill their teachers and parents.

What if you're a student who feels that you're going to die? What if you're a student who feels that you're going to die?

George Harrison's Death

Music legend George Harrison of The Beatles died at the age of 58 after his battle with cancer.

Many people think that Harrison was the best bass player in the world. He was the greatest of all time. He was a man who had a very special talent.

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Senior Shawn Smith plays the bells at the Christmas concert.

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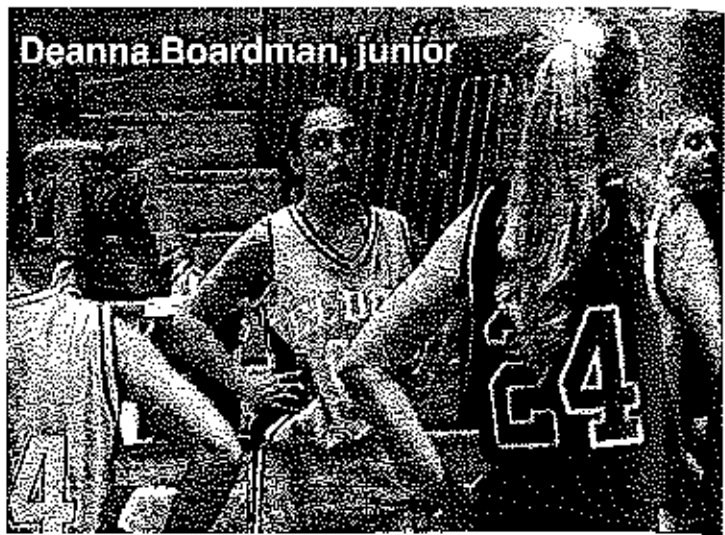
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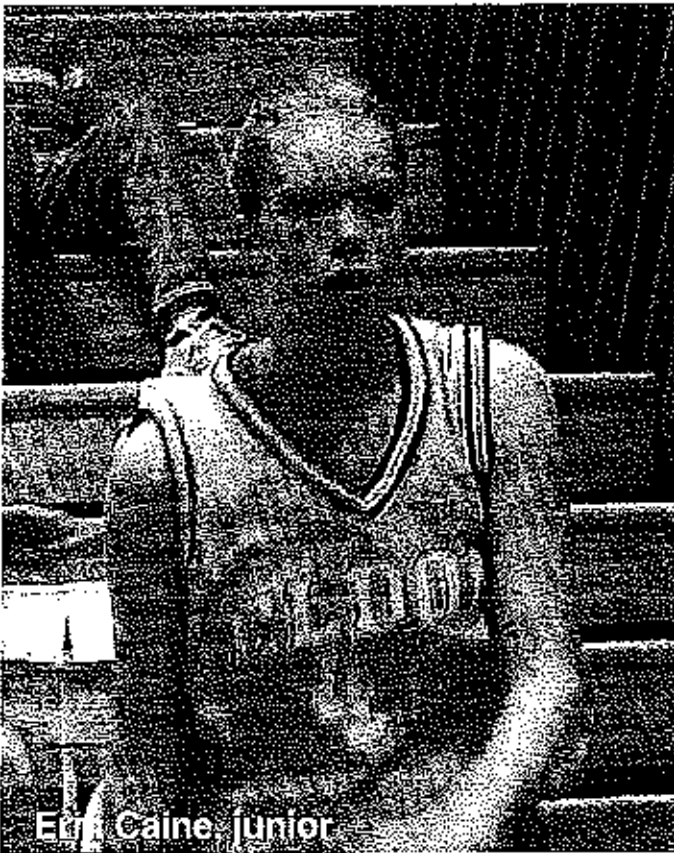


Kylee Jordan, senior



Deanna Boardman, junior

Lady Stangs Play Eugene



Erin Caine, junior

Art Club Brings Tie-Dye to Students

Elizabeth Gibbs

Many students and teachers brought in their shirts and caps to tie-dye. Art club sponsored the activity after school in Mrs. Gainey's room.



Left: Mrs. Gainey demonstrates how to tie-dye. Below: Junior Sean Fyno tie-dying.



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Chamber Choir Tours

The chamber choir spent much of the early weeks of December on tour. They provided entertainment for various Christmas parties and meetings in our area. They started the week by going to Columbia to the NBC studio. They recorded a Christmas greeting to be aired on channel 8 throughout the holiday season. Greeted with a warm welcome, the chamber choir continued to spread their Christmas cheer at the Citizen's Bank dinner and the Garden Club Christmas party. It turned out to be a very successful week, and they had fun, too.

- Lori Wilson



Stand a Little Pain Share a Lot of Life

Got blood? Hundreds of EHS students did on the day of the annual NHS blood drive. There were many nervous faces in line waiting to give their blood for such a good cause.

Senior Jennifer Wood said, "I had an awful time. My needle wouldn't go in and the blood would not keep pumping and at the end there was not even enough blood to be used. At least the free cookies weren't so bad."

The results of the annual blood drive turned out great. The student body was very enthusiastic about giving blood.

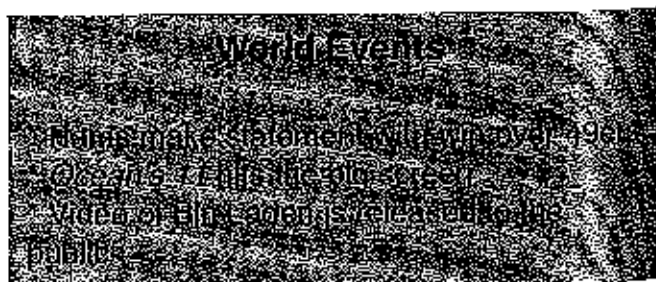
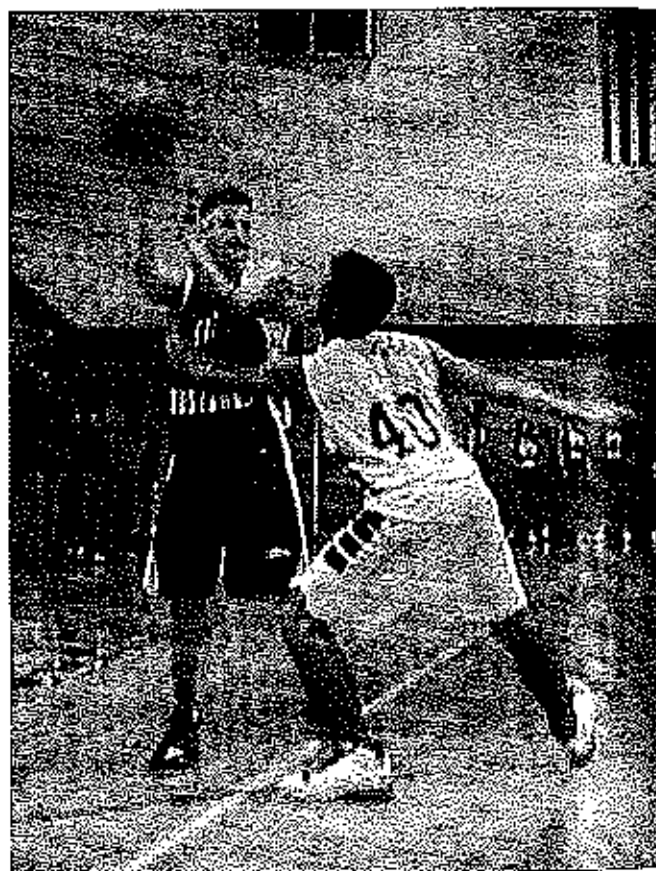
Julie Wiethaupt & Dawn Erickson



Junior Meghan Sullins flinches as the nurse puts in the needle. What a trooper! Senior Samantha McClure simply looks away as she gives her blood. Seniors Jennifer Wood and Samantha Brown proudly show their bandages and stickers after returning from the blood drive.

Senior Dawn Erickson cheers on her favorite player "Stetson."

Junior Chris Herriman passes around the Osage defense in the team's victory over the archrival Indians.



World Events

Police make statement with video of 1996
Osage's 27th anniversary
Video of EHS blood drive released to the public

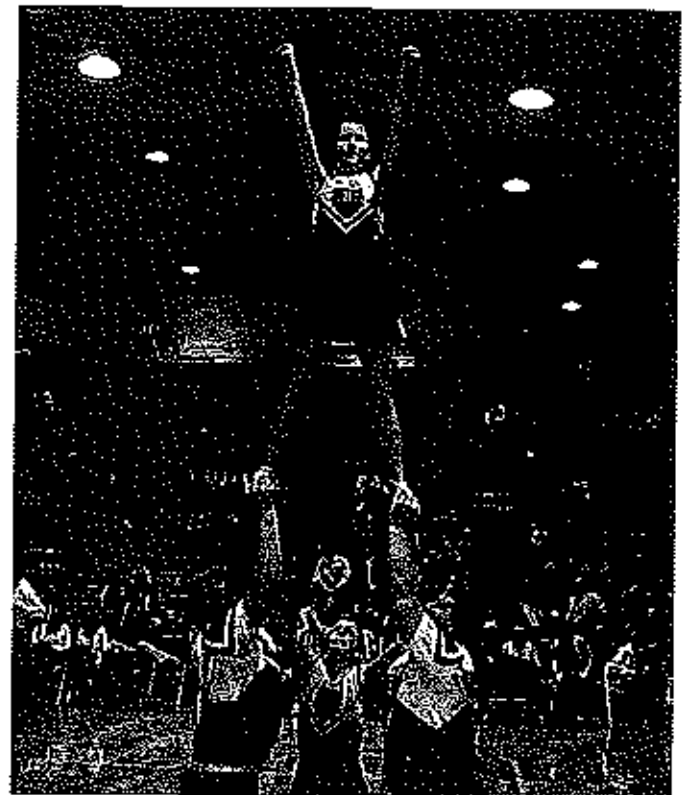
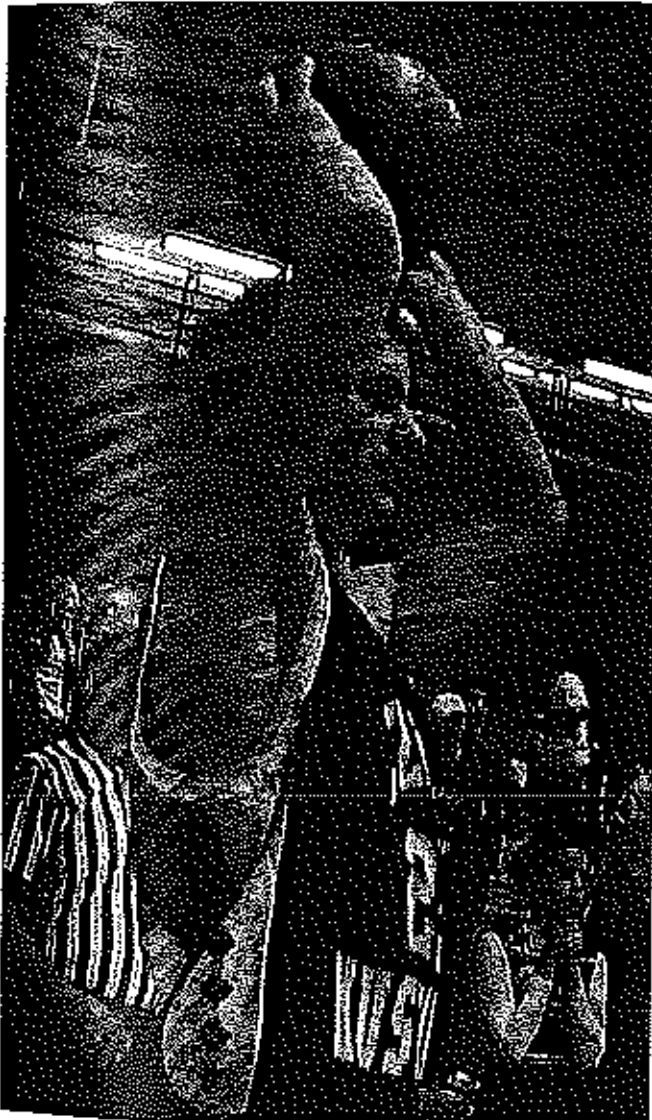
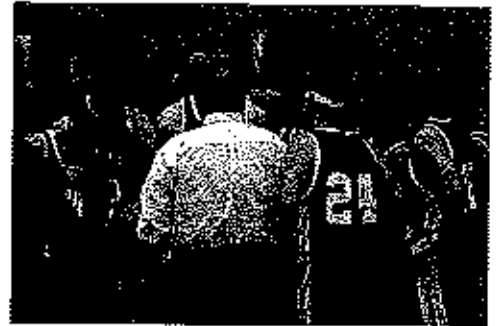
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The Eldon crowd filled the gym with chants and cheers. The cheerleaders also showed their support.

The boys listen carefully as Coach Klein gives his varsity boys some advice during a time-out.



Eldon cheerleaders put on a show while the muscle men throw senior Tiffany Horseman in the air.

Junior Matt Klein looks for an open man in the last few minutes of the Osage game.



Christmas Celebrations

December 18th was a busy evening as the music department held its annual Christmas concert and FBLA members attended a Christmas party at Mrs. Henderson's house.

The music concert was a success, but as always students felt they could improve their performance. "We all worked hard to get ready for the concert, but it was a little strange singing with 7th hour because we had never sung together before. We could've used some more practice," said senior Lori Wilson.

Before the FBLA party, students went on a scavenger hunt. Each group tried as hard as they could to find their items. Then they came back to Mrs. Henderson's house and awarded the winning group.

"It was very exciting because our group won. We found 27 items. Even though Kyle Grimes hit the window and I drove over Maggie Brown's foot, it was all worth our prize of \$5 gift certificates for McDonald's," said junior Jenny Raynor.

Caren Kwok

Seniors Kim Vernon and Caren Kwok smile at the camera after they finish opening their presents at the FBLA party.



Band members don Santa hats for the Christmas performance.



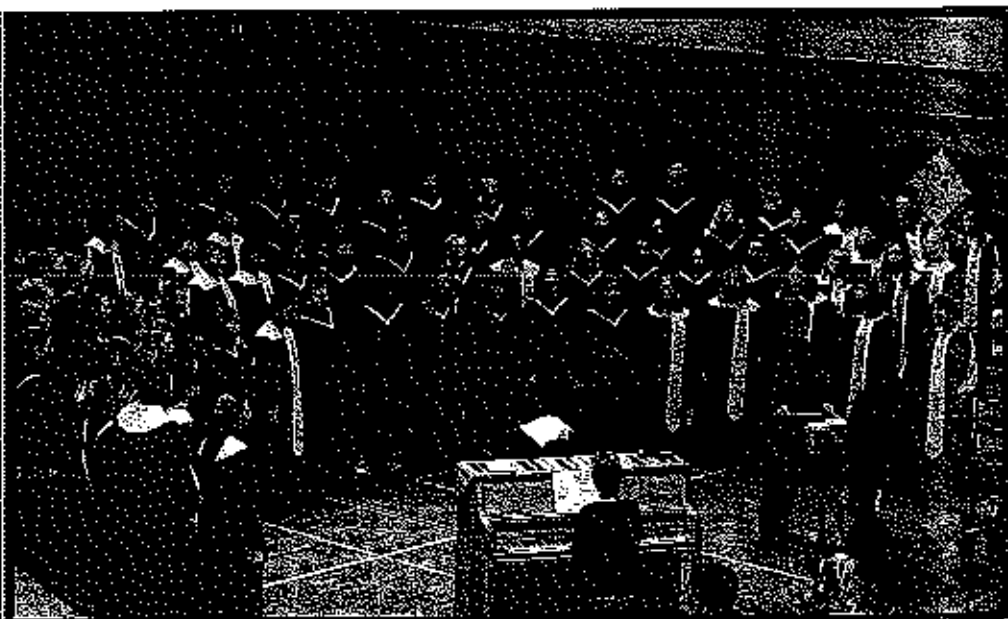
Sharing Christmas Cheer

World Events

Bush signs bill naming
September 11th
Patriot Day

"I feel that it is a really good thing. We lost a lot of really good men and women. I think we should always remember September 11th."

—Christina Bouratt, senior



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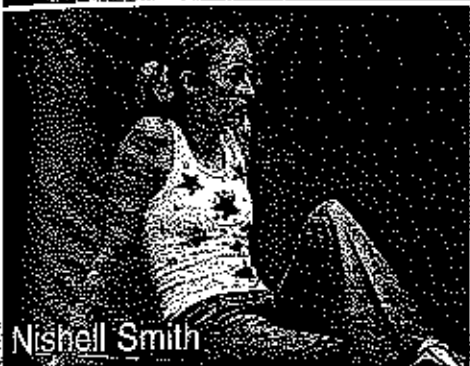
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Freshmen Girls Break It Down at the 2nd Annual Dance Contest



Patty Yeakle



Nishell Smith



Sally Garrett



Amber White



Megan Twyman



Band Ensembles Bring Christmas Cheer to Area Businesses



CHRISTMAS VACATION

Jenny Raynor

Christmas break finally gives students time off from teachers, books, homework and tests. Even though break was short this year, it was still a rest from school. Some students were upset about the short break.

Junior Jenna Gier said, "We were really cheated on our break this year. I don't want to go back to school because of finals."

Other students were surprisingly excited to go back to school.

"I want to go back, because I'm really excited about the rest of my senior year," said senior Josh Langston. "There are a lot of cool things that happen in the second semester. I can't wait!"



Juniors Jenna Gier and Deanna Boardman show their Christmas spirit with Santa hats.

What will you do this Christmas?



"I'm going to play in the snow with my five year old brother."

Jessica Atwell
sophomore



"I'm going to visit my grandma's house on Christmas eve, and then Christmas day I will open my presents and go to my other grandma's house."

Danielle Bailey
junior

Foreign exchange student Martin Ernst spends his Christmas in America and shows his new Rams hat.



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WORLD EVENTS

- Rudolph Guliani (mayor of NYC) said goodbye to New Yorkers as his term as mayor ends.

"I thought that he was a great mayor who did a good job during the disaster of September 11th and it is sad to lose a good Republican in office."

- Junior Rachel Backes

- Shoe bomber caught trying to board an airplane. Officials have increased security.

"The only true way to protect our airlines can be summed up by three words... Full Cavity Search."

- Junior George Price

Juniors Maggie Brown and Bethany Reed exchange gifts.



What Are Your Holiday Traditions?

"Every Christmas, I sit around a fire and chaff for a good new year."

- Sophomore Brandon Scott



"In my family, we begin in the new year by eating black-eyed peas and cabbage. YUCK!"

- Freshman Courtney Campbell



"The only holiday tradition I can think of is my whole family lighting with each other at get-togethers!"

- Junior Katy Gray



"Instead of giving regular presents, we do a gadget exchange! It's always fun to look at garage sales for the perfect gift."

- Senior Lauren Baynor



"My family has a Christmas pool tournament. We have all improved our pool skills throughout the years!"

- Junior Jessica Bailey



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Jenny Raynor

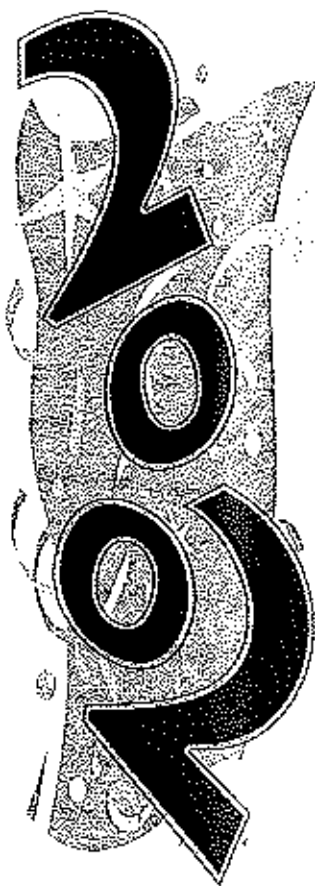
The graduation year of our seniors finally arrived. Many people tried to think of ways to improve the new year. Others celebrated 2002 by going to parties and watching the famous ball-drop.

New Year's was not just about celebrating the upcoming year. It was also about trying to have as much fun as possible before going back to school.

"I had a blast on New Year's!" said Junior Rachel Backes. "I

invited all my friends over to my house, played Ping-Pong, watched movies and ate a lot of food."

Others, however, had less exciting celebrations. Junior Katy Lacy said sarcastically, "My New Year's was so exciting! I went to Jordan Harrison's house where I watched Kyle Quigley playing a Star Wars video game for 3 hours... what a great way to bring in the new year!"



New Year's Resolutions



Matt Hook

"My New Year's resolution is that I am going to try to take one day at a time!"



Maggie Brown

"I want to stop biting my nails, so I can grow them out so they look good at prom."



Misty Gerber

"I'm not going to procrastinate anymore and I'm going to get all of my college stuff together."



Manda Herriman

"I'm going to find a nice guy! Yah, like that's going to happen, but hey, a girl can dream, can't she?"



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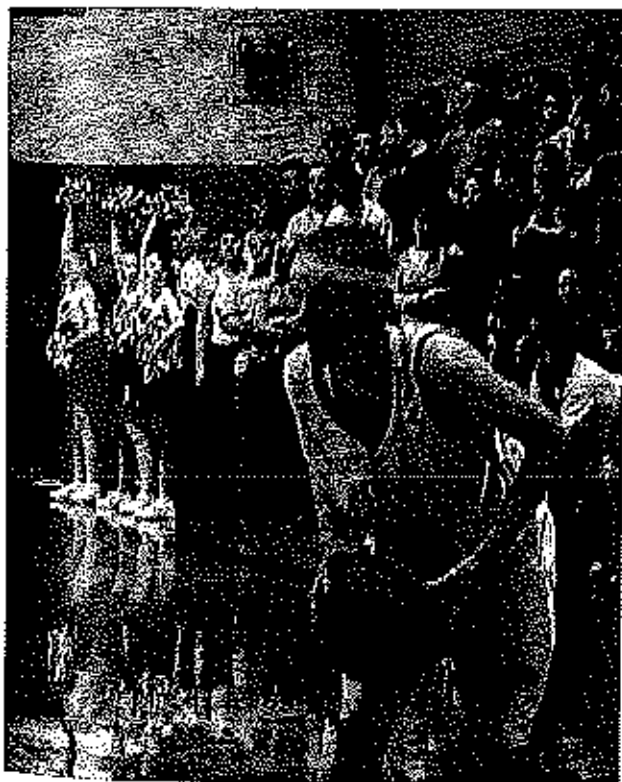


Junior Chris Herriman takes a free-throw shot at the game against Fulton.

Juniors Brad Miller, Mykee Abbott, and Conor Henley pose for a pre-game shot.



Senior Justin Setser, looks for an open teammate to pass to.



WORLD EVENTS

• Most European countries switched their currency to the "Euro" over the New Year.

My country, Sweden, didn't switch, but for those that did it will make it much easier for travel.

Senior Suzanne Mattsson

Finals



Excercising the Mind and Body

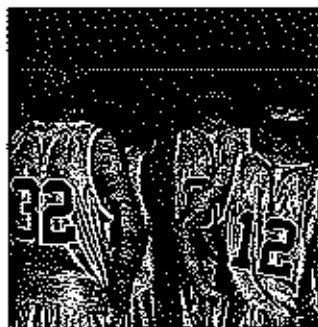
Finals fried our heads and Mustangs basketball heated up the court. The California tournament was in full action the week that everyone was cramming for semester finals. During school, the library buzzed with activity, and after school hours, the gym was filled with noises of squeaking shoes and whistles. The balance of academics and sports was crucial.

"I stayed up until two in the morning studying for my fashion design class, so when it was time to get up and ready for a game, I was less than perky," confessed Justin Setser.

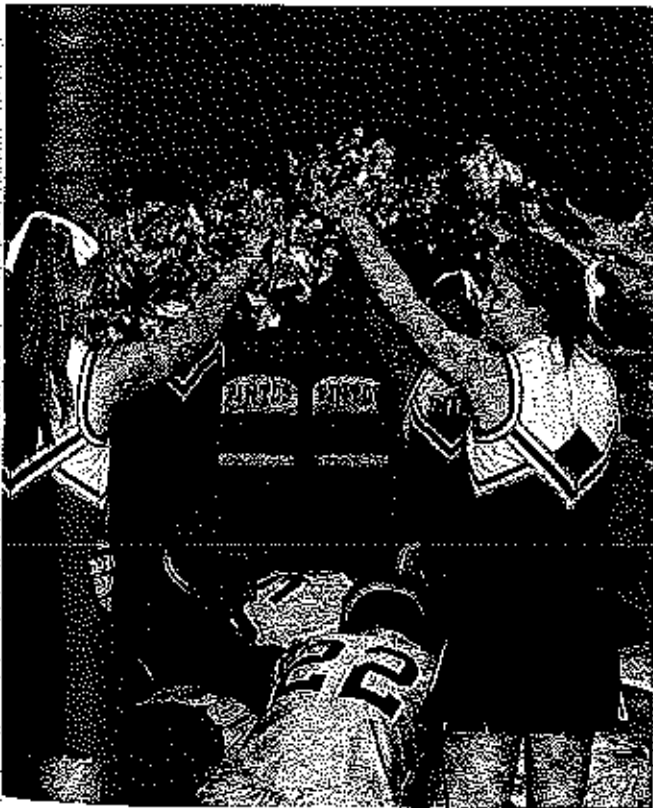
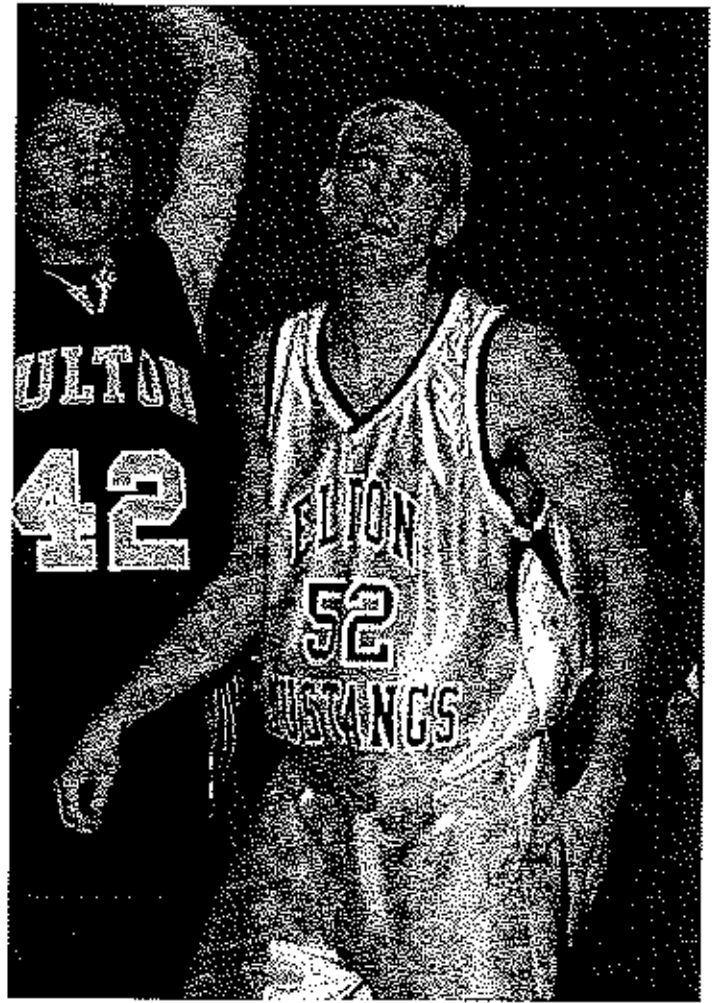
"This was my first high school final. It was hard, but I think I did okay. Having basketball games in the same week was a little stressful, though," said freshman Amanda Herriman.

Everyone made it through finals. The basketball teams did well, and life went back to normal.

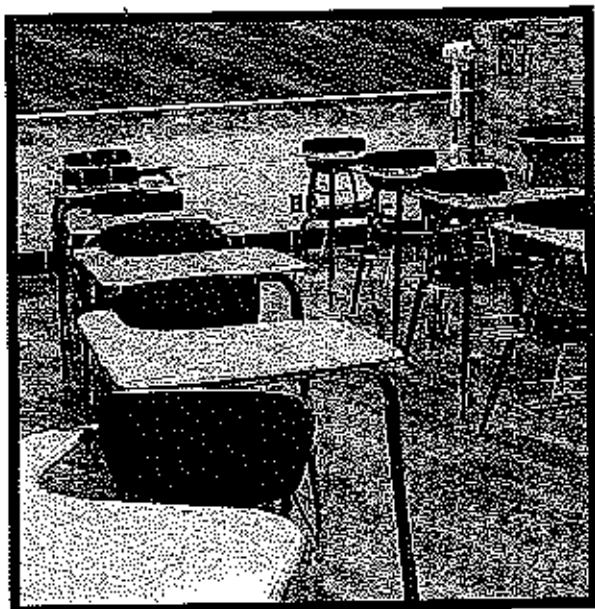
Dawn Erickson



California Tournament



2nd SEMESTER BEGINS



The room is empty on the first day of the new semester. Students were happy to have a day off.



First semester ended and students had a little time to unwind after the stressful week before. Everyone was glad to see that finals were finally over. Many students had class changes. Some students were glad to have dropped some of their classes so they could sleep late in the morning or leave school early. Others dropped just because they did not enjoy their classes.

"I dropped my English Literature class because I didn't want to put out the effort it required. I took Learn and Serve instead because it is much more enjoyable to know that my time is spent helping kids," said junior Elizabeth Gibbs.

No matter why they dropped their classes, students will find plenty of ways to make memories in the time they have left.

~Lori Wilson
~Caren Kwok



Freshman Tabatha Files, senior Becca Hussing, and sophomore Kyla Bryant steal some time out of fifth hour choir to get the much needed sleep they lost over the past week due to the first semester finals.

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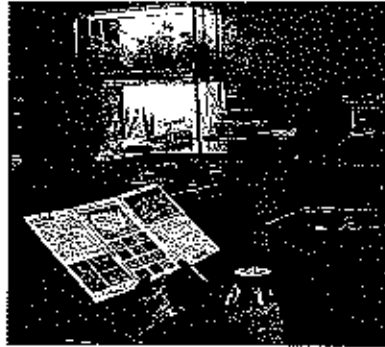
World Events

- Gas prices creep up ending a 15-week price crash after 9/11.
- John Walker Lindh, the American who aided the Taliban in Afghanistan, faces criminal charges that could send him to prison for life.
- Shoe bomber indicted as al-Qualda trained terrorist.

Local News

- Christian Cantwell, MU junior and graduate of EHS, competed in the Missouri Triangular, setting Hearn's Fieldhouse, Missouri indoor, and Big 12 records.

Students Prepare for Contest Season



At top, Mr. Biddle prepares Ag. students for contest. Above and at right, Mrs. Platt helps choir students study music for the upcoming District and State contests.

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Roll on 'Stangs

Martin Ernst

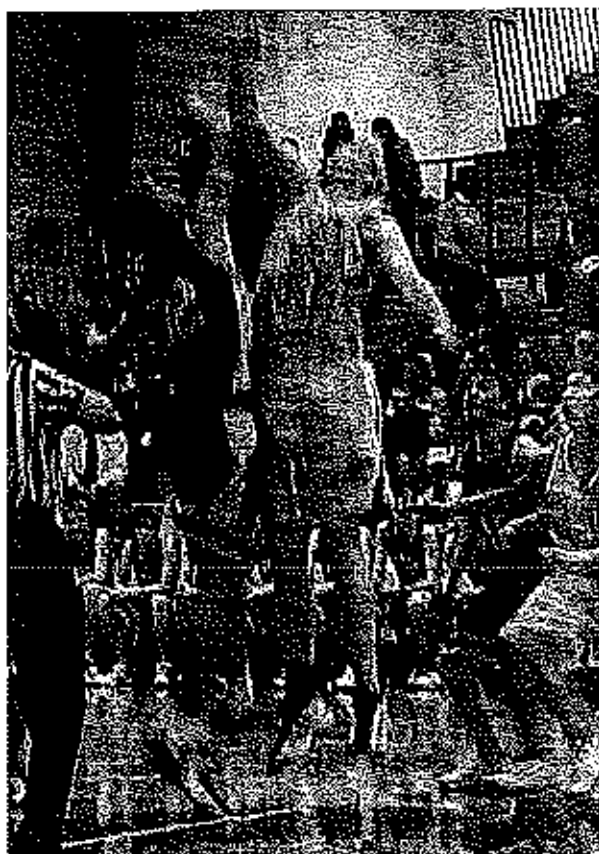
The championship game of the Eldon Tourney was between the Eldon Mustangs and the Versailles Tigers. The Eldon Mustangs won their two previous games against Warsaw and Fatima without any problems.

"In the first two games, we came out, fired up and were ready to play," said senior Dustin "Woody" Wood.

The Versailles Tigers made their way into the championship game by winning over California and Osage. The Mustangs and Tigers were evenly matched throughout the game. After the first quarter the game was tied 9-9. However, in the second quarter, the Tigers were able to get a lead by 4, resulting from a good defensive performance. The score by halftime was 18-22. But the 'Stangs never gave up and were able to make it a 2-point-game after an 11-point advantage for the Tigers at the end of the fourth quarter. Unfortunately, the game was won at the free throw line, and Versailles won by only 5 points, 53-58.

"We came out slow in the first quarter, got behind, and then we had to use all of our energy to fight back. Unfortunately it wasn't enough," added senior Matt Marks. In retrospect the Mustangs forced the Tigers into 15 turnovers, while the 'Stangs only allowed 7. Corbett Eidson and Chris Herriman were the Mustangs' leading scorers with 10 points each. Also mentionable was the fantastic support of the student body for the Mustangs. They pushed them during the game as loud as they could. "Yeah, it really motivated us to play harder than before," said senior Justin Setser. Everyone was still proud of their team which did everything to make it a thrilling game, and that's the way it ought to be! Roll on Mustangs!

Eldon

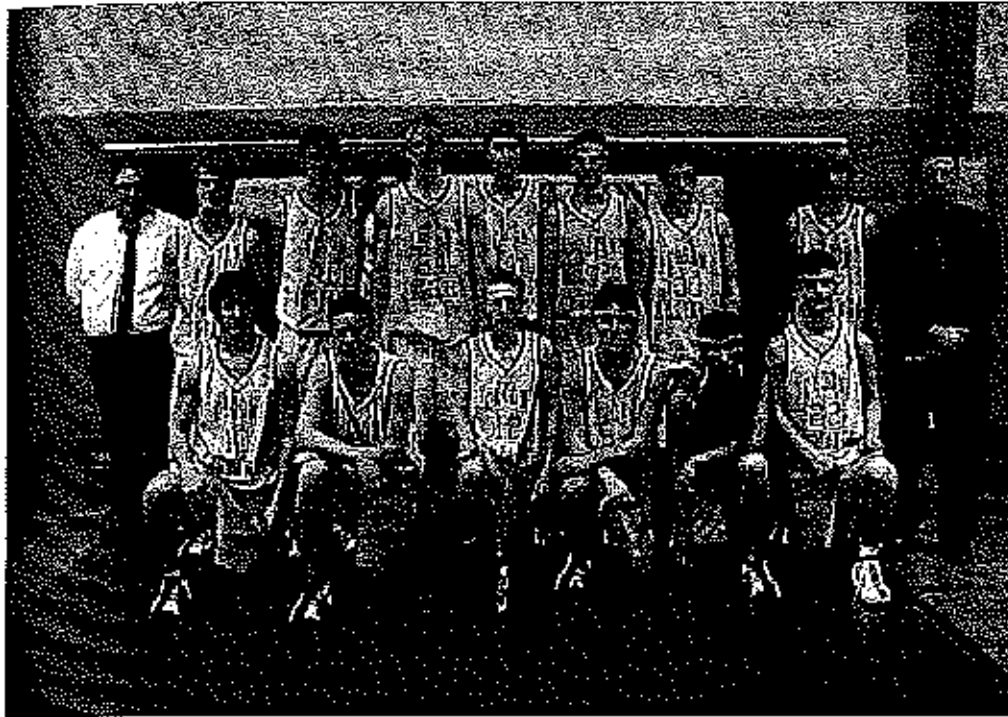


Senior Matt Marks jumps high in the Tip-Off against Warsaw.

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The Varsity 'Stangs proudly show their second place trophy.

Senior Dawn Erickson shows Mr. Herren how to mark the score.



World Events

The movie musical *Moulin Rouge* starring Nicole Kidman won the most awards at the Golden Globes.

"It's great to see a musical attract so much attention from the public because it's usually some stupid action movie!"

Junior Jessica Bailey

A Missouri Senate committee has designated September 11 as Emergency Services Day in honor of those killed in the terrorist attack.

"It's awesome that we honor September 11 for the true heroes of our country on Emergency Services Day. They sacrificed their lives for the sake of ours and cannot be forgotten for their bravery."

Senior Joshi Langston



Junior Brad Miller goes for a three!



Junior Joe Crismon flies to the basket.



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Students Enjoy a Slow Week

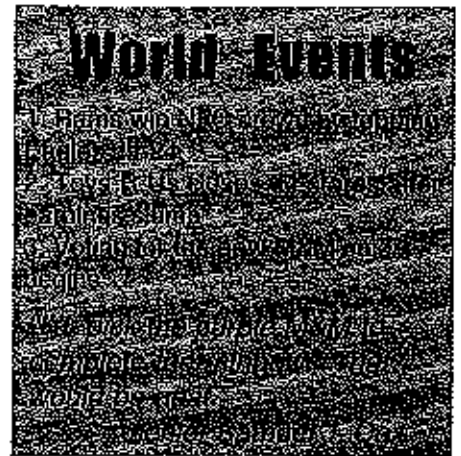
It was just another week of school, and everyone enjoyed just hanging out. Although some thought the calm days of school were boring, others enjoyed the down time. They could catch up with their studies and spend more time with friends.

"I like when there's not a lot to do during the week because it gives me a little alone time," senior Josh Fitzpatrick admitted.

"It's good to have a week or two when you aren't trying to go to an activity. I get to hang out with my friends more," sophomore Crissy Irwin said.

Dawn Erickson





Courtwarming Week

World Events

* A passenger tried to force his way into the cockpit of a United Airlines plane on a flight from Miami on Thursday but was subdued after the co-pilot hit him.

* Former Enron executive insists he knew nothing of the self-dealing and accounting schemes that eventually engulfed the company in scandal and bankruptcy.

Courtwarming Highlights

- * Walker Wilhoit crowned king at the courtwarming assembly.
- * Jennifer Wood crowned queen at the game.
- * Eldon Mustangs won against California.



(Above) King candidates: Zack Hess, Justin Setser, Walker Wilhoit

(Right) Royalty: Shanna Tacker, Jennifer Wood, Walker Wilhoit, Heather Brake



(Below left) Court Attendants and Queen Candidates: Keri Mueller, Crissy Irwin, Bethany Reed, Deanna Boardman, Jennifer Wood, Shanna Tacker, Heather Brake, Megan Forrester, (Above) Walker Wilhoit, king and Kayla DeGraffenried.



Students showed their school spirit during Courtwarming week. At the assembly on Friday, the highest bidders asked a question to pick their date for Courtwarming. After the Mustang victory, students took their excitement over to the dance floor, where a friendly dance competition soon began.

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F B L A W E E K

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) is an organization to combine business and education. This club provides students with many opportunities and helps develop leadership skills and good citizenship.

Senior Kim Vernon said, "Being FBLA vice-president has really influenced my life. It has given me many opportunities to show off my leadership skills."

FBLA Week allows members to promote their organization through activities like bowling, open house, game night, professional dress day and guest speakers.

"FBLA is a fun-filled experience," said senior Josh Tattershall. I am proud to be an officer and help with all of the exciting leadership activities."

Jenny Raynor



1 Senior Josh Langston, FBLA Sponsor Mrs. Henderson, junior Melissa Hegg, FBLA Sponsor Mrs. Haley, and senior Kim Vernon go bowling for FBLA.

2 Freshman Jeremy Haley works the concession stand at the TCT Skills Expo Night.

3 Seniors Sara Bear, Josh Tattershall, and Kim Vernon show their leadership by wearing FBLA T-shirts.

4 Junior Jenny Raynor, seniors Martie Ernst, Ceren Kwok, and Josh Langston, and junior Laura Sash participate in Professional Dress Day.



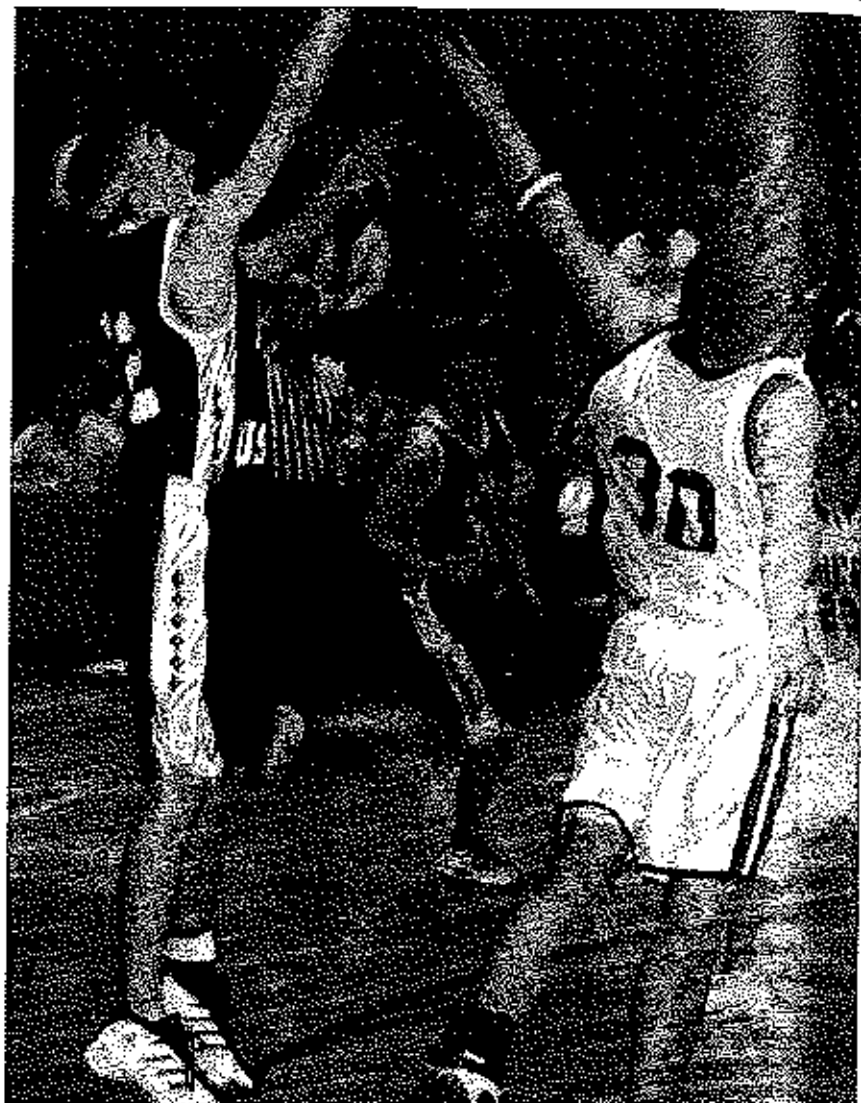
District Basketball

Dawn Erickson & Julie Wiethaupt

The boys won the first round in Districts, defeating Osage. The Mustangs later were beaten by Versailles in a very close game.

"I'm just really happy that we beat the Osage Indians. That game meant we beat them in every sport!" said senior Corbett Eidson.

The Lady Mustangs lost in the first round against Warsaw.



World Events

Australia remains a major world power.

The United States remains a major world power.

The United States remains a major world power.



FFA Week

FFA week involved fun-filled spirit days and activities. FFA members had a busy schedule for the week :

- Sunday - Church Service
- Monday - Skating and Pizza
- Tuesday - Farmer Dress-Up Day
- Wednesday - Official Dress Day
- Thursday- Tailgate Party
- Friday- Faculty and Alumni Breakfast

"I really enjoyed FFA week because it was fun and showed everyone that even city boys can be involved," said sophomore Drew Jordan.



~Spanish Club Fiesta~

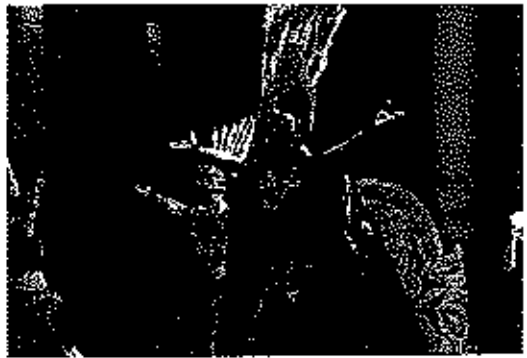
On the first day of March the Spanish Club took a field trip to Osage High School, where they watched a traditional Mexican dance. They also learned more about the ethnic diversity of Mexico.

"To see the Spanish dancers was a unique experience, and it gave me a good insight into the Hispanic culture. I had a wonderful time, and it gave me a new understanding," said senior Samantha Brown.

After watching the dancers at Osage High School, they went to eat at Vista Grande restaurant. "The food at the Vista Grande was excellent and tasted great. I've never had real Mexican food like that. I wish I could have some more," said sophomore Chad Oyer.

When lunch was over, they took a group picture to remember how much fun they had on their field trip into the Hispanic culture.

Lori Wilson, Caren Kwok, and Elizabeth Gibbs



Seniors Samantha Brown and Brett Dawson



Freshmen Nicole Flaughter, Colleen McDevitt, and Katie Burkia



Junior Crystal Burkie



Sophomore Chad Oyer, senior Elizabeth Calton, and junior Lori Schulte

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'Stangs Compete at Osage



Dawn Erickson, senior



Chris Herriman, junior



Mykel Abbott, junior



Chris Paynter, sophomore



Chris Herriman, junior

Olympic Medals Won by US

2500 athletes from 78 different nations competed in the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, Utah. The U.S. is one of 12 countries that have competed in all 19 Winter Olympics. The U.S. won 34 medals.

10 Gold

- 1 in Bobsleigh
- 1 in Figure Skating
- 2 in Skeleton
- 1 in Short Track
- 2 in Snowboarding
- 3 in Speed Skating

13 Silver

- 2 in Alpine Skiing
- 1 in Bobsleigh
- 3 in Freestyle Skiing
- 2 in Ice Hockey
- 1 in the Luge
- 1 in the Skeleton
- 1 in Short Track
- 1 in Snow Boarding
- 1 in Speed Skating

11 Bronze

- 1 in Bobsleigh
- 2 in Figure Skating
- 1 in the Luge
- 1 in Short Track
- 2 in Snow Boarding
- 4 in Speed Skating

* The next Winter Olympics are to be held in Italy.

World Events

2/27

FBI agents tell farmers to watch crops and livestock for terrorism.

"I think that it is bad that there could actually be something like that happen and that it is a good idea to protect what will be our future food."

senior Jennifer Wilson

2/28

Yates, husband of Texas mother who drowned her children, testifies about wife's condition before the murders.

"I think what she did was very sick, and she deserves the death penalty, but while she's in prison she should have to be in a room filled with pictures of her kids. Her husband is crazy for supporting her."

senior Ashley Grisham

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junior Lori

First Snow Day!

Jenny Raynor



Senior Carl Hodot shovels snow off his car after the spring snow storm.

Who would have guessed, a snow storm in spring? Students all over Mid-Missouri were watching the news all night to see if their school was canceled because of the snow storm. The Eldon area got a sheet of ice covered with a blanket of five inches of snow. There was a lot of damage done, but students were still excited that school was canceled. Many students enjoyed their snow day by sledding or building snowmen.

"Me and a bunch of my

friends tied a sled to the back of a four wheeler," said junior Deanna Boardman, "but by the end of the day we were covered in mud because the snow had all melted and we were sledding in nothing but mud!"

Other students did some catching up on their school work and studied for tests.

Junior Erin Caine said, "I didn't have time to play in the snow because I was catching up on homework."

World Events

- Eldon graduate Christian Cantwell placed second in the men's shot put at the USA Track and Field Indoor Championship in New York City.

It's an honor to know an Eldon High School graduate could make it so far in collegiate sports.

Junior Brad Miller

- MTV started a new reality sitcom called *The Osbournes*. A camera was put in the home of rock star Ozzy Osbourne and his family so America can watch how they live.

The show is pointless. There's no plot or storyline and the show is promoting drug use and immoral behavior.

Junior Amanda Sehad



Junior Olympics



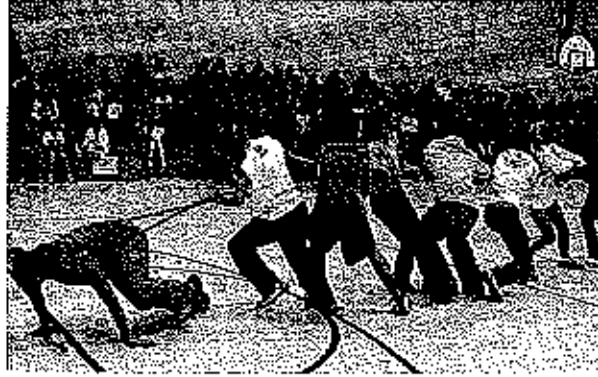
Junior Kyle Qulgley coaches his team in the jump rope relay.



Senior Dawn Erickson encourages her team in the Tug-of-War Tournament.



EHS Students Coach Jr. Olympics for Project Prom



High school coaches take their turn at tug-of-war.



Junior Conor Henley participates in the coaches scooter relay.

NHS Inductees



Benjamin Apperson, Katie Blanke, John
 Jeremy Bradley, John Brockmeier, Maggie
 Brown, Heather Carroll, Justin Carlson,
 Jason Comer, Eric Cornell, Kristina
 Daulton, Jordan Drake, Haitham El-Sar,
 Nicole Fenton, Michael Fischer, Michael
 Groner, Theresa Guthrie, Kory Hannah,
 Danielle Hepp, Melissa Hepp, Dylan Hepp,
 Seth Jarrett, Nicole Kirkweg, Matt Klein,
 Jamie Koerner, Robin Landon, Susanne
 Marsson, Heather Montz, Chris Payner,
 Elizabeth Platt, Adam Raynor, Drew
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 Jamie Wright

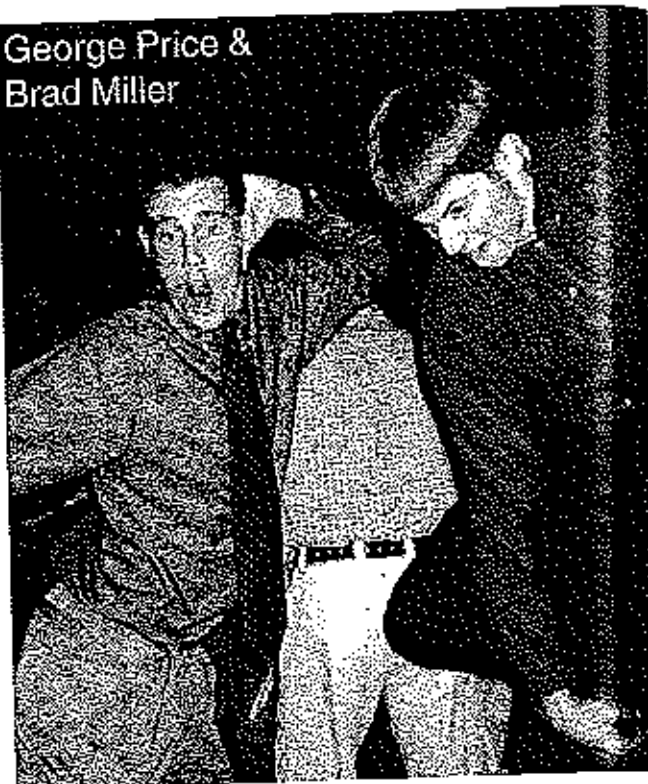


March



The theme of March Madness this year was "Luck of the Irish." Everyone had a lot of fun with shamrocks, pots of gold, dancing, and a first, karaoke. The dance was decorated in green and all class officers received green hats that seemed to shift from person to person in between songs. It went over great and was a real success.

George Price & Brad Miller

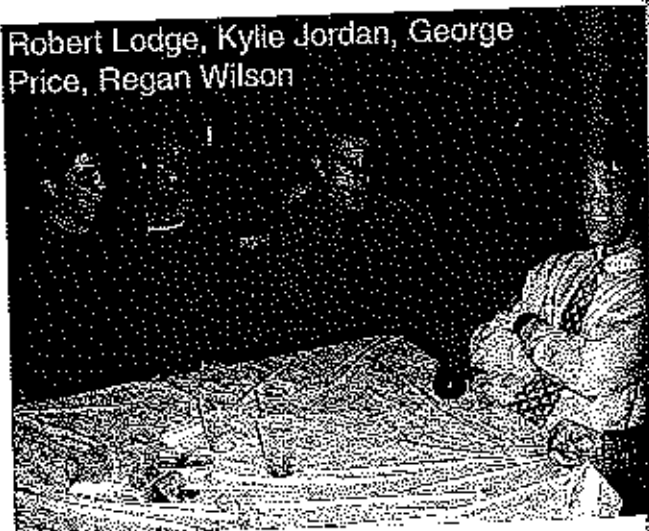


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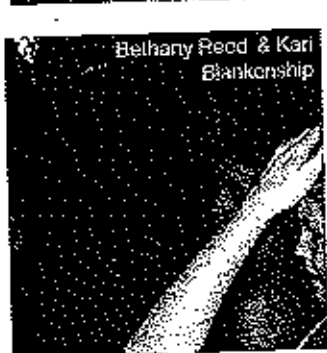


Robert Lodge, Kylie Jordan, George Price, Regan Wilson



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Bethany Reed & Kari Blankenship



Samantha Brown & Heather Shauck

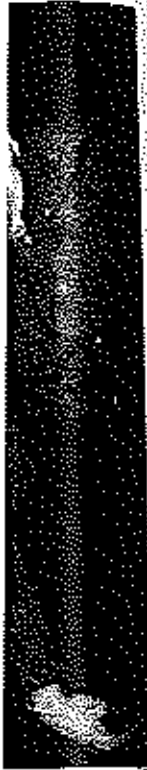


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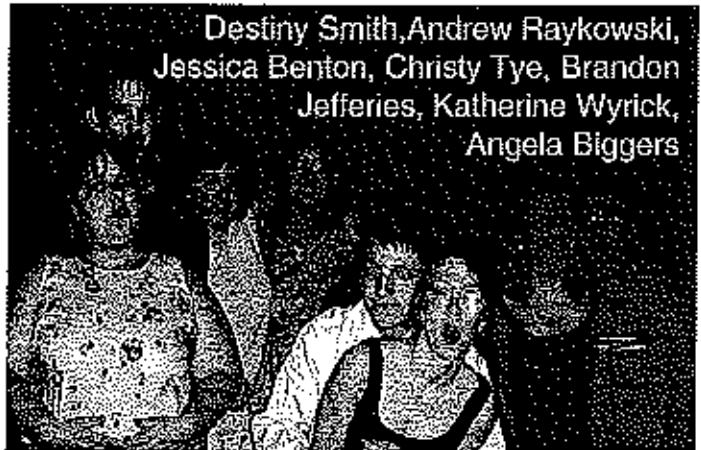
Dawn Drester, Jodie Bunde & Kristen Bungart



Nicole Mantavy, Ashley Duncan, Lisa



Laura Sash



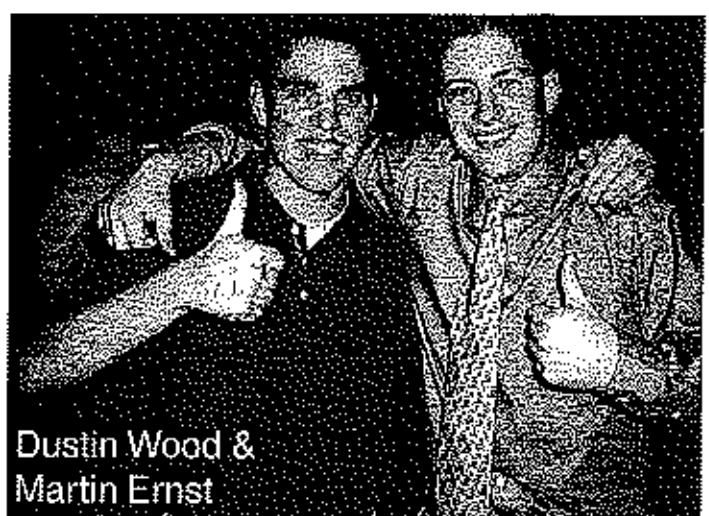
Destiny Smith, Andrew Raykowski, Jessica Benton, Christy Tye, Brandon Jefferies, Katherine Wyrick, Angela Biggers



Rachel Backes and Ryan Gore



Dawn Erickson



Dustin Wood & Martin Ernst



Brandon Stark & Tessa Frazee



Jennifer Wood, Samantha Brown, Heather Shauck, Tessa Frazee, Heather Backes



Eric Hardon, Josh Fitzpartick, Brett Dawson & Brandon Stark



Samantha Brown, Jennifer Wood, Deanna Boardman, Tessa Frazee & Heather Shauck

District Music

Elizabeth Gibbs

Festival

On Friday, March 22, the State Music Festival for large ensembles was held at Jefferson City High School.

Chamber Choir, Concert Choir, Men's Glee, and Women's Glee all performed. Each group received a I rating. "We worked so hard. I don't think we got the score we deserved," said senior Becca Hussing.

This was the first year to reintroduce the Glee choirs. Many people were pleased to see that Men's and Women's Glee had finally returned.

The Concert Band performed and earned a I rating for the 6th consecutive year. The Brass Choir received a I rating. Woodwind Choir received a II rating.

On Saturday, the District Festival for solos and small ensembles was held. Many band and choir students participated with several receiving I ratings and advancing to the State level.



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sophomore Kyla Bryant



junior Haley McCreery

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World Events

-Nine killed when car bomb explodes outside U.S. Embassy in Lima, Peru.

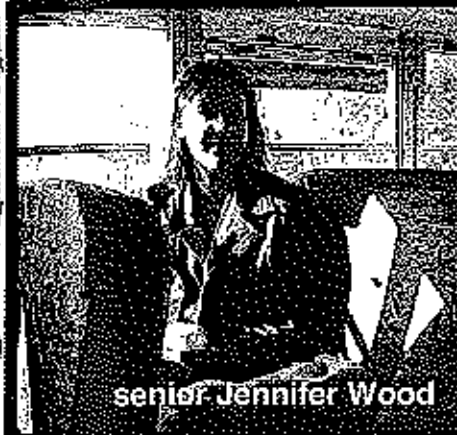
"I think it was very avoidable. They just needed better security."
-freshman Jessica Kirkweg

-10 yr. old girl killed in dog mauling after she was attacked by six Rottweillers.

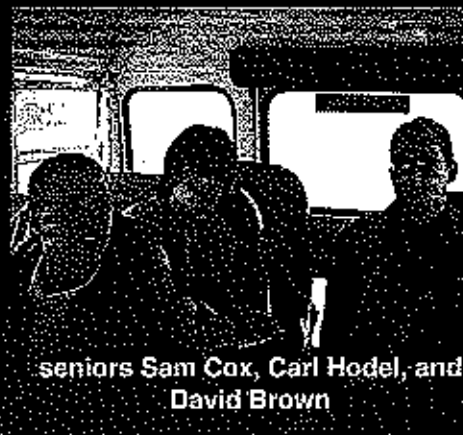
"I think that whoever was watching that little girl wasn't doing a good job. If she wasn't by herself, then she might have had a chance."
-senior Aneisha Dummermuth

Science Fair

On March 22, Lincoln University held a science fair. All of our science research students presented their research projects that they had worked on this year. Students were judged on how well they knew their project and on how extensive their research was.



senior Jennifer Wood



seniors Sam Cox, Carl Hodel, and David Brown



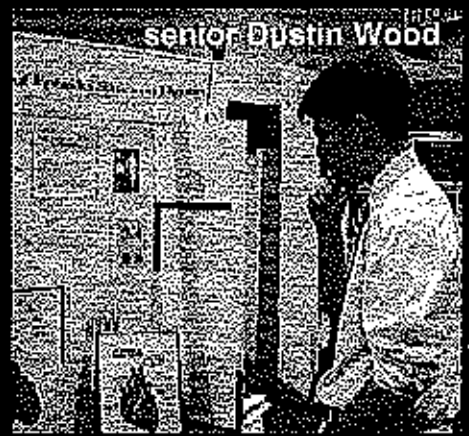
senior Eric Cornett



senior Justin Seiver



Junior Jessica Bailey



senior Dustin Wood



Junior Jessica Davenport



Junior Lori Schulte

SPRING BREAK

Some students at EHS were fortunate to travel over the break. Others found it difficult to travel in such a short amount of time. However, those students who did find time made good use of it.

Freshman Austin White said, "I went to Florida. I got to go to the beach and Universal Studios. I had a lot of fun. I'm glad I got to go."

Other students went to Chicago and even Hawaii.

"I was lucky enough to travel to Honolulu with Ben Eden to visit his family," said junior Tiry Crane. "It's definitely a dream island. I wish I could stay there forever."

Jenny Raynor

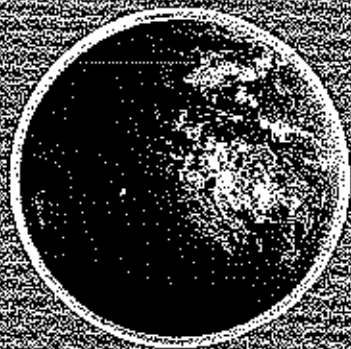


World Events

The Marines return to NYC from Afghanistan after many months of war.

I never thought that the war would be this long. I'm glad the soldiers can finally come home and live in peace.

— junior Chia Merriam



Juniors Jenny Raynor and Erin Cairne pose for a picture in Chicago where they spent their spring break.

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Sophomore
Jordan Bauer

"Spring Break is the final stretch before the end of the year, so it's kind of like a reward for our hard work."



Senior
Amber Hoffmann

"We should have a Spring Break and then a separate Easter Break."



Sophomore
Heather Moritz

"Two days and a weekend—we have longer parent-teacher conferences."



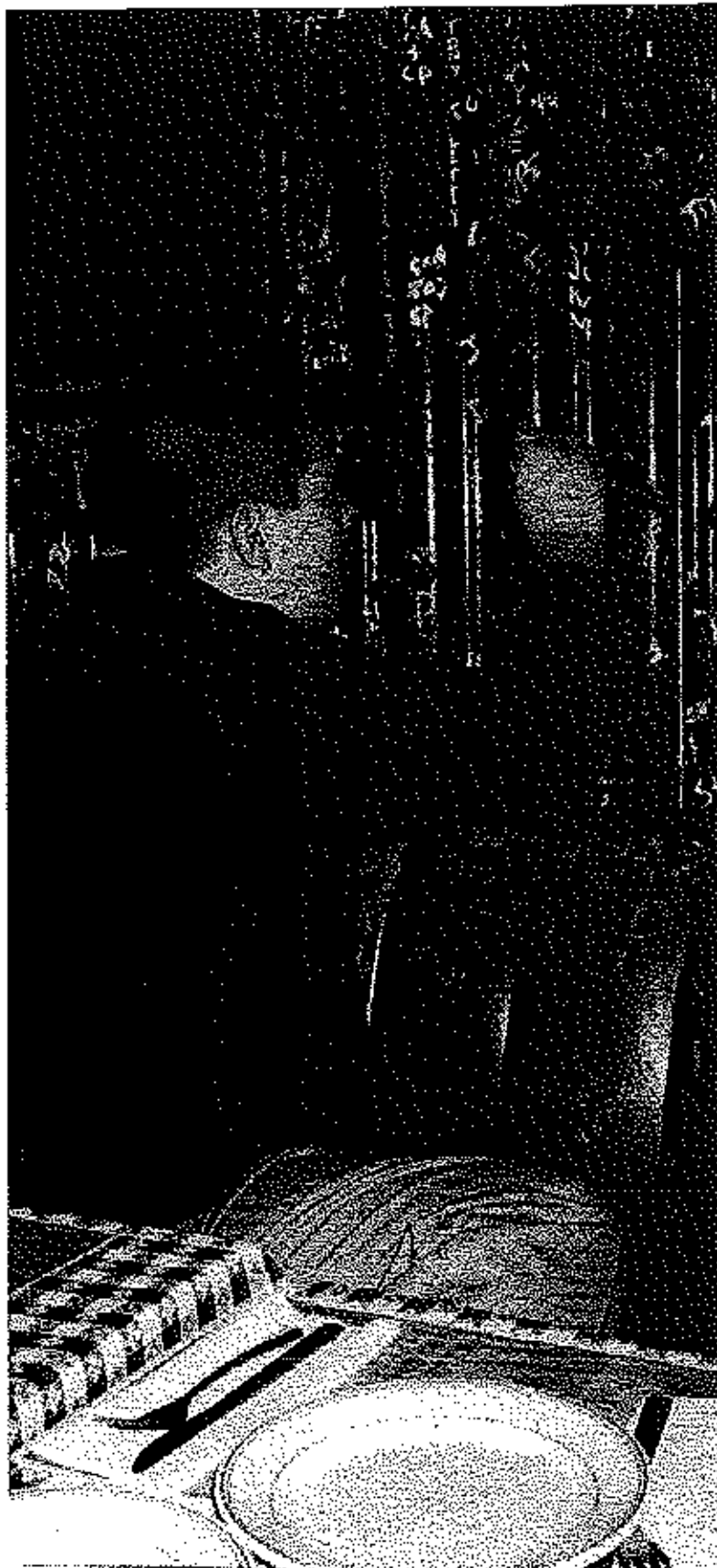
Sophomore
Audra Tacker

"The time for Spring Break wasn't enough. If I wanted to travel somewhere, there wouldn't really be time enough."



Sophomore
Kayla Lietzke

"All of the other schools got out at least a week, and they still get out the same time as us. We need a longer Spring Break."



Sophomore Adam Raynor signs his name on the wall of Chicago's famous graffiti pizzeria, Ginos.

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Runs, Races, and Rehearsals

Dawn Erickson

This week kept students busy with an Eldon track meet, Eldon baseball game, and Eldon spring play.

Hey batter, batter, batter! The varsity baseball team defeated Russelville at home in a nail-biting baseball game. Trailing by four runs going into the last inning, the Mustangs rallied to score five runs and win the game 12 to 11.

On your mark! The Eldon boys won the meet on their own track Thursday.

Break a leg! The play was filled with laughs and drama. Senior Shawn Smith said, "The play went over very well. It was a little embarrassing to wear a tutu. Actually I think I looked pretty good!"



Joe Crismon



Zack Hess, Deanna Boardman, Jen Wood, Justin Setser, Samantha Brown, Sam Cox & Eric Harden



Colleen McDevitt



Matt Bax

Brandi Ahart



Kristen Bungart & Ashley Grisham



Jamie Koerner



Brandi Ahart & Ashley Grisham



Brandi Ahart & Shawn Smith



Kristen Bungart



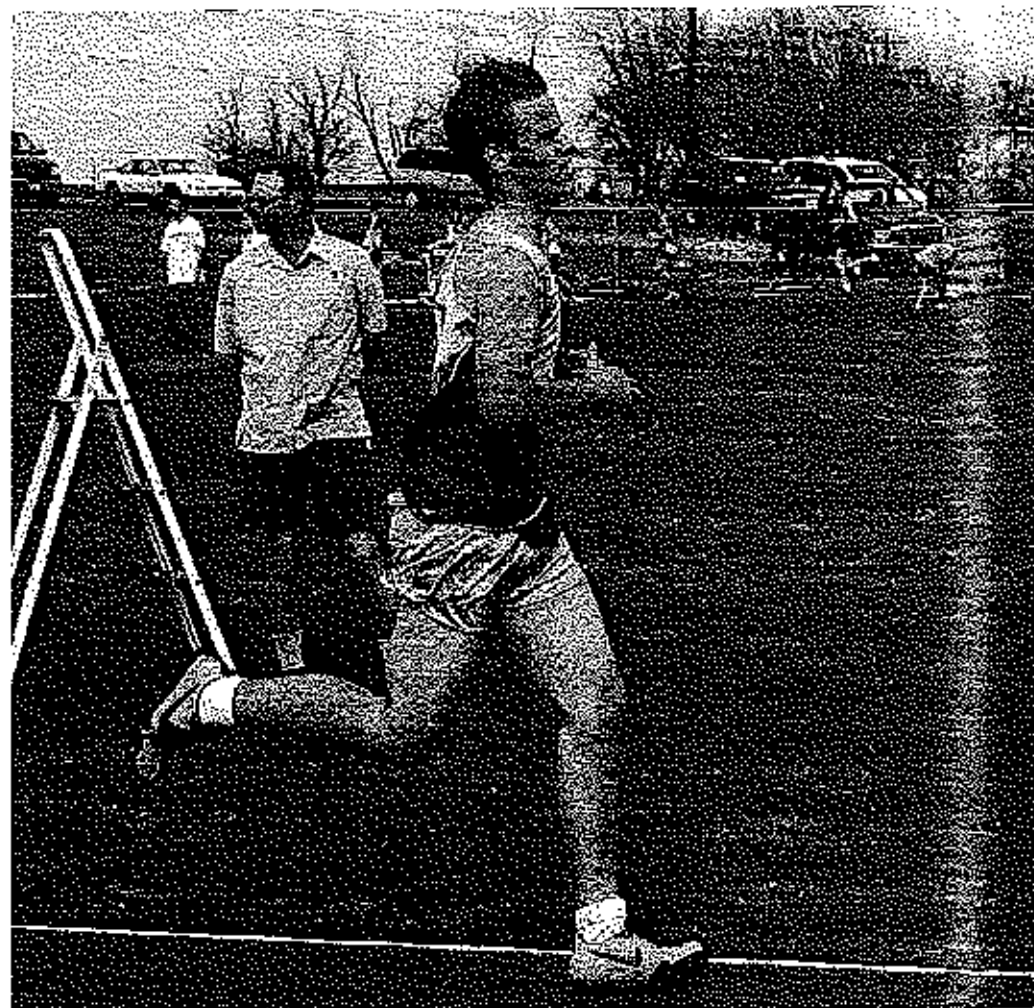


World Events

• 4 dead and 150 hurt in Amtrak derailment in northern Florida

• Justice Department continues Enron investigation

• Christian Cantwell, a graduate of EHS, won the Missouri Relays shot put event and set a new record. The distance qualified him for the NCAA Outdoor Championships and ranked him as second best in the world.



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Defendants, Distance Runners, Dissections, and Drivers

Although bad weather cancelled many of the scheduled events, students had an eventful week for academics and sports.

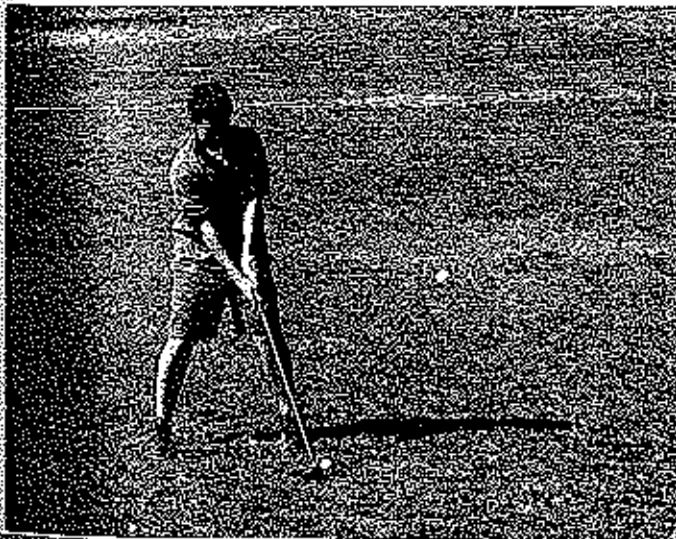
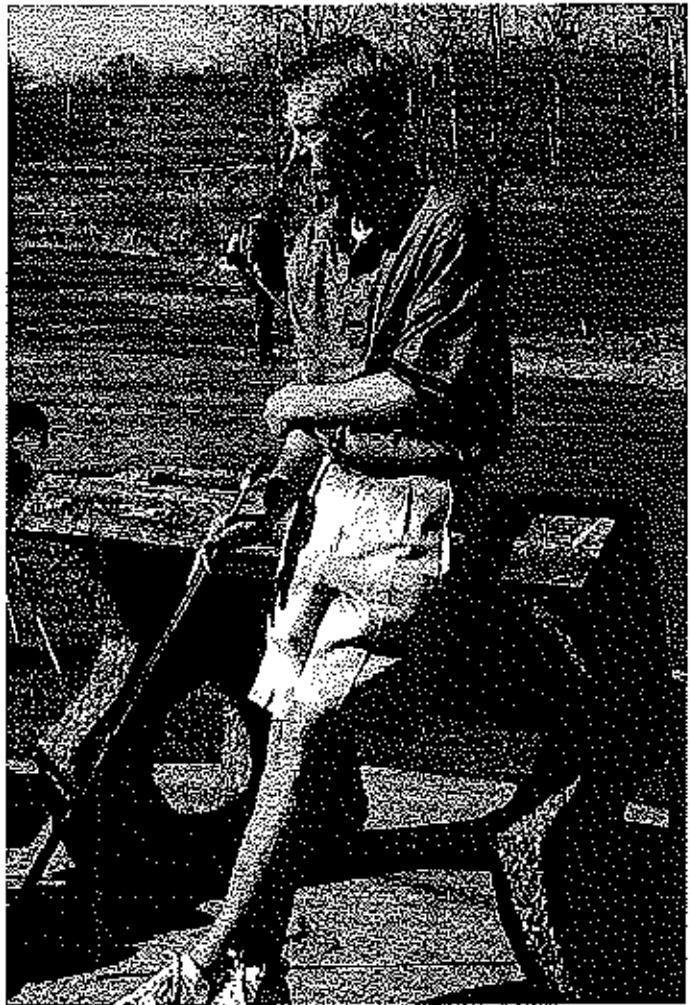
At top left, Mr. Haley's first hour Ag. class held a trial because freshman Brad Sandfort "murdered" a mouse. Sandfort was found guilty in a make-believe trial. Mr. Haley hoped the experience helped the freshmen to practice public speaking.

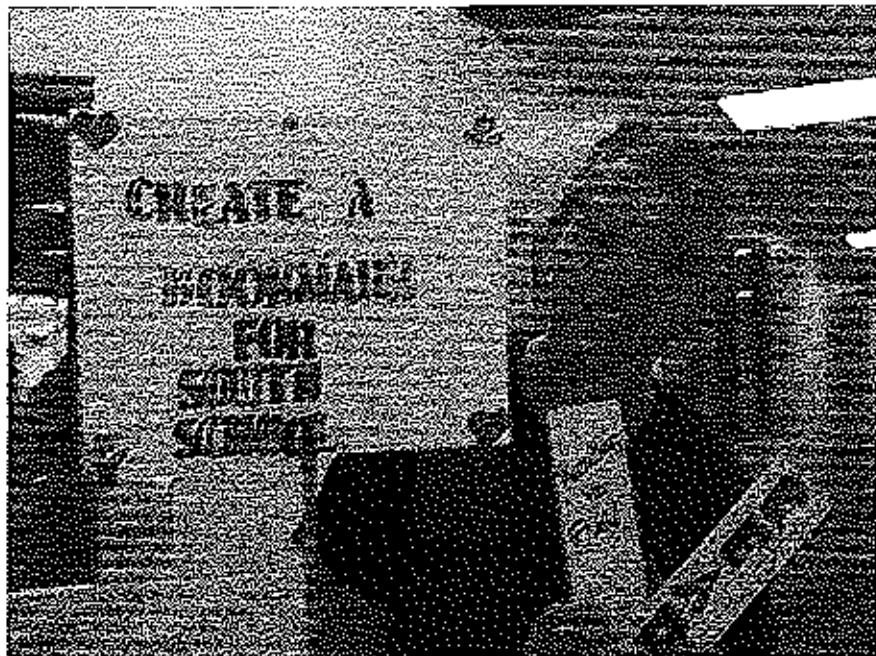
At left, the annual Maroon and Gold track meet was held Thursday the 11th. The girls placed 6th out of 18 teams. The boys placed 3rd.

Above, the anatomy classes dissected cats. Most students enjoyed the activity, though one person chose not to participate. "I think it is inhumane to dissect animals, especially cats," said junior Lacy Sloan.

At right and below, the golf team managed to play at home against Tipton despite rain earlier in the week.

Elizabeth Gibbs





Senior Brandi Ahart creates greeting cards for senior citizens at National Youth Service Day.

Senior Ashley Grisham makes bookmarks for South School at National Youth Service Day.

National Youth Service Day

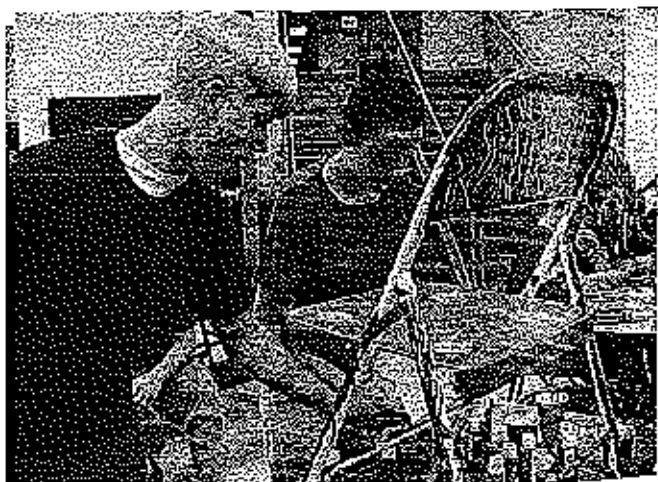
World Events

A small plane with only the pilot on board crashed into a 30-story landmark skyscraper that houses the regional government offices in downtown Milan. The weather was clear at the time.

"It is very scary that we don't know whether terrorists are behind this or not. I hope that one day we will be able to come up with better security."

Junior Abby Knopf

Junior Danielle Bailey and senior Talia Cromer collect stuffed animals for Parents as Teachers.



Freshmen Nick Connerly and Nicole Ischinger paint chairs for Kids Harbor.



Brandi
Above, celebra natural planted the Ear



Earth Day Celebration!



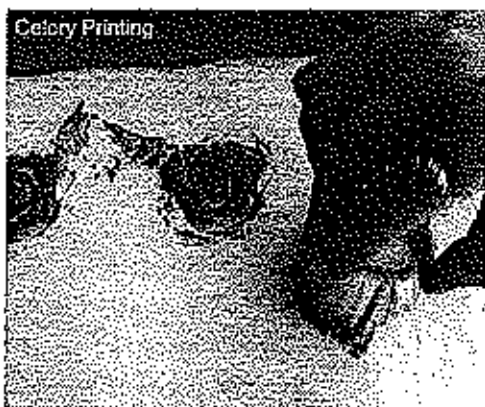
art creates for senior annual Youth Day.



Mr. Gainey



Jenny Raynor and Breanna Bondy



Celery Printing



Nick Connery schlinger paint for Kids Harbor.



Brandon Scott

Above, students in Ms. Gainey's art classes celebrate Earth Day by creating various natural crafts. The advanced art class planted a tree in the courtyard in honor of the Earth.

Student Council Elections

Jenny Raynor

This is the first year in which skits were not involved with student council elections. Administration did away with the skits because of the inappropriate and very long skits last year. The main reason, though, was that the skits took away too much valuable time from classes.

In place of the skits was a two-minute, prerecorded tape of an interview or speech. An interview was also included with the 2001-2002 officers and faculty. Another big change that was made is that the popular vote was only 50% of the election process. The interview was the other 50%. Were the EHS students happy with this change?

"I think the way we did it before was fine," said junior Meghan Sullins, "but then you get those people who cross the line and let things get out of hand, ruining it for the others."

Other students liked the new way of figuring the elections. Junior Joe Crismon said, "I thought the skits were the best part of the election. However, this new way lets the students decide who they want, and also the people running must prove themselves to the current officers, as well as the faculty. This assures that the person running really wants to do something and is not just being encouraged by their friends to play around and not take it seriously."

2002-2003
Student Council Officers
 President: Deanna Boardman
 Vice President: Todd Stone
 Secretary: Aaron Ferguson
 Treasurer: Erin Caine
 Reporter: Chris Paynter