

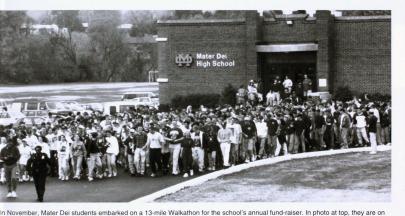
'96 Hi-Lights

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# Welcome to



# our World



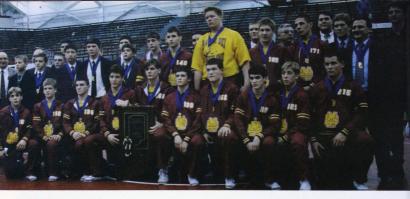
Mesker Park Drive. Students raised more than \$22,000. Some motorists even stopped and gave money during the walk.

Take off your shoes, sit back and relax, and enjoy our world, a place where everybody knows your name.

We have played, we have studied. We have danced, we have cheered. In our world, there are victories and failures. There are joys and sorrows. But most of all, there are times for enjoying each other's company.

Mater Dei-ville is its own little world. We govern ourselves, and our programs speak for themselves. Because this is such a special place, this book of memories would like to welcome you to our world.

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The Mater Dei Mat Cats gather around their state championship trophy at Southport High School in February. Below, the fans go wild when the referee signals a near pin for Scott Schaefer in his win over Bellmont.

# State champs



Senior Jenni Folz shows her school pride when she imitates Spanky from the "Little Rascals."

STUDENT LIFE



### PEOPLE

Senior Erin Zenthoefer takes a break from all her hard work .



### **ORGANIZATIONS**

Mayor Anthea Knapp, Clerk Monica Weber and Judge Erin Smyth were a happy group on Inauguration Day.



### ACADEMICS

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Senior Jeff Fischer did his best to emulate his hero. math teacher Mr. Rick Keith, on Hero Day.



**SPORTS** 



Sophomore Kira Crowdus and seniors Jenni Folz, Jill Spahn and Molly Sandwell celebrate another Mater Dei volleyball victory.

# STUDENT





A severe storm warning means taking special precautions.



ABOVE: Sarah Mesker and Brittny Wannemuehler enjoy watching a football practice on a perfect fall day.





Sophomores could yell with the best of 'em.





# IT'S A WORLD ALL ITS OWN





ABOVE: Praying at an athletic event is not a bad idea. LEFT: Students take an exercise break at retreat.





ABOVE: It seems a special light shines on Mater Dei fans. LEFT: The faith life is special, too. Fr. Mark Kurzendoerfer made Ash Wednesday just that.

# MD SPIRIT IS #1



Dresssed as their heroes are: (front row) Libby Schenk (Jimmy Buffet), Nicole Dressel (Jimi Hendrix), Kim Herr (Santa), Jenny Schmitt (Mr. Rogers); (second row) Colleen Corcoran (Kernit the Frog), Amy Martin (a nun); and (back row) Joe Armentano (Alfalfa), and Jenni Folz (Spanky) from the "Little Rascals."



Freshman cheerleaders are (in front) Kerri Vowels, Heather Knapp; (second row) Jessica Butler, Natalie Shetler; and (back) Hollie Morrow.



Sophomore girls are showing their support to the football team to push them Arrows back in time.

Every year, football Spirit Week is the most exciting time at Mater Dei. Widcats get a chance to show their pride and support to the teams.

The display of spirit began on Tuesday, Sept. 26 after school when students from each class stayed after to help decorate the halls. By

6 o'clock that evening, the halls were covered from floor to ceiling with red and gold. The competition was won by the juniors.

On Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, students went all out. On Wednesday, the theme was "Blow 'em back in time"; on Thursday, students

dressed as their favorite heroes, and on Friday everyone wore the traditional red and gold.

The week reached its peak when Queen Erin Smyth and King Joe Armentano were crowned at halftime of the football game on Friday night. And the Wildcats defeated Sullivan.





LEFT: Freshmen Elita Sheridan and April Altstadt blow up the balloons for hall decorations.

ABOVE: Juniors Alex Zenthoefer and Maria Kirsch cheer at an assembly.



Seniors Blake Shumate and Alicia Rupert are "groovin" at their lockers.



Julie Schapker and Kim Eickhoff show their spirit.

# Walkathon...Going the extra mile

November 1, on a cloudy and dark day, 650 students, faculty, and parents set out for a 13mile walk. It was a journey they will never forget. Talk rang out around the school about how different this year's fund drive would be from the past years of selling cheese and sausage.

From the parking lot at Mater Dei, thousands of feet walked. Through the cold and an occasional rain, smiles remained on those faces who walked

With \$ 22,400 raised in the Walkathon, many students will benefit.

The top four money-raising homerooms were as follows: Senior Homeroom 207 raised 112 percent of its goal to finish first, followed by senior Homerooms 204 and 202, and sophomore Homeroom 210.

Individual winners were Bryan and Jamie Schmitt with \$165. Amy and Angie Braun with \$150, and Lori and Nick Gries with \$140. Winners received 50 percent of the money they raised. Much of the success for the drive went to Sister Mary Francis, coordinator,



Maria Kirsch and Mike Schroeder imitate Coach Frank Will and his assistant during the junior class skit. Members of the football team played themselves.











ABOVE: Many students find it easy to walk and talk to their friends at the same time

LEFT: Heather Knapp talks to Angie Payton while passing Howell Park.



LEFT: Meg Liffick entertains Mater Dei students with her rap song during the sophomore skit.

BELOW: Seniors set the pace as the 1995 Walkathon tackles the hill on Franklin Street.



# Students raise over \$22,000











Father Mark during the walk.





# A night to remember



The 1995-96 Football Homecoming court: (front row) freshmen Nick Miller, Adam Schiff, Mayor Anthea Knapp, Katie Reddington, sophomores Matt Walker, Greg Schaefer; (back row) freshmen Brianne Lemberg, Jennifer Vick, juniors Nick Dixon, Jessica Free-

man, seniors Kent Halbig, Amy Lehman, Erin Smyth, Joe Armentano, Andrea Boots, Jeff Fischer; juniors Jonelle Rietman, John Werner, and sophomores Dana Kemper and Natalie Emge. Homecoming wrapped up a wild and crazy week.

# Armentano and Smyth crowned

Football homecoming was one filled with emotions. Spirit week and a wild assembly set the stage.

The evening began with excitement as the football team took on Sullivan. At halftime, in a moment of tension and anxiety, the names were announced and Mayor Anthea Knapp crowned Joe Armentano and Erin Smyth Homecoming King and Othern

The Cats overpowered Sullivan 46-6. Then everyone filled the cafeteria and celebrated in dancing to a theme of "Angel Eyes."



Cheering on the team during the Homecoming game are juniors Alex Zenthoefer, Jeff Woehler, Mike Petrig, Jennifer Richardt, Angie Spahn, Kelly Sergesketter, and Matt Williamson.



King Joe Armentano and Queen Erin Smyth



ABOVE: Senior Erin Zenthoefer has fun at the Homecoming assembly. Erin Goebel is on the left.

BELOW: The Wildcats' offensive team prepares to charge for the goal line.



# "Dance, Dance



The Christmas dance: (front row) Jennifer Moll, Julie Fischer, Angela Luigs; (second row) Brianne Lemberg, Jennifer Vick, Hollie Morrow, Amy Krack; (third row) April Altstadt, Audrey Hinderliter, Jessica Wels, Angela Paulson, Angie Payton, Jami Altstadt, and Kendra Schmitt.



Kevin Head and Evelyn Rexing. The dancing was ghoulish.

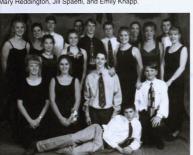


Halloween on parade: (front row) Andrea Boots, Kim Herr, Julie Ko, and Angela VanNess; (second row) Erin Zenthoefer, Jill Spahn, Jenni Folz, Anthea Knapp, Erin Smyth, and Monica Weber.

# Dancin' Machine"



Mary Reddington, Jill Spaetti, and Emily Knapp



(Front row) Curt Sills; (second row) Andrea Werner, Wendy Wiggington, Kevin Spahn, Brian Weis; (third row) Jamie Rexing, Michelle Langton, Joe Taylor, Stephanie Wargel, Jamie Tepool, Anna Ruggles; (third row) Alicia Wilderman, Jill Bartlett, Benny Faraone, Robert Schmitt, Josh Hodge, and Sarah Wright.



(Front row) Jason Haton. Cindy Loehr, Greg Rice, Jessica Weis: (second row) Gina Mechtenberger, Brandon Nord, Scott Richardville and Kelly Seib.



At the Halloween dance, no doubt: (front row) Jason McCord, Leslie Dixon and friend, Tara Muensterman, Andrea Haton, Dana Kemper; (second row) Rob Rheinlander, Andy Funke, Stephanie Rexing, Tracy Reisng, Dan Schroeder; (third row) Megan Topper, Julie Hart, Heather Bennett, Emily Steinbach, Sarah Hamilton, Eric Ford, Katie Faraone, Ryan Kirsch; (fourth row) Josh Reising, Meg Liffick, Andy Coomes, J.D. Wargel, Benny Faraone and friend.





FAR LEFT: Sophomores Heidi Tenbarge and Matt Walker get close at the Christmas dance.

LEFT: Freshman Katie Ritchie and Jessica Butler dance their hearts out.

# Basketball Homecoming

# 'Open Arms' is dance theme

Homecoming Court: (first row) Heidi Tenbarge, Beth Ritzert, Jessica Weis, Amy Krack; (second row) Alexander Fehr, Jeremy Herrmann, Robert Mallory, Benny Faraone, Ike Miller, Laura Effinger; (third row) Tony McDonald, Allison Townsend, Angela VanNess, Brandon Tenbarge, Queen Julie Schapker, King Jason Feldhaus, Julie Ko, Jake Martin, Christy Goebel, and Jason Like.



Senior friends gather at the Homecoming dance: (first row) Abby Davids, Sherry Alvey, Anne Aldenderfer, Karyn Strange, Kim Eickhoff; (second row) Jona Farthing, Kathy Render, Amy Lehman, Queen Julie Schapker, Holly Kissinger, Angela VanNess, Erin Smyth, Becky Will, and Christy Unfried.









# Schapker, Feldhaus crowned queen, king



The night of February 2, 1996, began in "Open Arms!" The crowning took place before the game against Washington Catholic.

Mayor Anthea Knapp crowned Jason Feldhaus and Julie Schapker as the 1996 basketball Homecoming king and queen. And the Wildcats

And the Wildcats were victorious against the Cardinals.

Julie Schapker and Jason Feldhaus





Seniors Jake Martin, Julie Ko, Angela VanNess, Brandon Tenbarge.

ABOVE LEFT: Freshmen friends (first row) Alicia Wilderman, Deidre Messmer, Sarah Mesker, Jamie Rexing, Angle Reckelhoff; (second row) Laura Elsner, Jenny Effinger, Elita Sheridan, Brittny Wannemuehler, Amanda Uhde, Lorna Fischer; (third row) Crystal Spivey, Brikelle Cox, Margaret Halbig, Katie Will, Jenny Schmitt, Lynn Spahn, and Keith Blaser.

LEFT: (first row) Jenny Porter and date, Linda Martin and date; (second row) Matt Schmitt, April Schmitt, Jared Burgdorf, Stephanie Ward, Sarah Kempf and Jeffrey Woehler.







Lorrie Head scraps the ice off of her car windows. RIGHT: Kent Halbig, Adam Raben, Greg Raben, Blake Shumate, Brandon Tenbarge, Adam Kenneth, and Kim Herr make the most of a lousy situation.







# Together as a class...one last time



Mark Wagner is chillin' at Mass during senior retreat day at New Harmony.



ABOVE: Roger Nurrenbern keeps the football from Erin Zenthoefer during a break at retreat.

BELOW: University of Evansville coach Jim Crews gives the seniors a talk about challenges and goals in life.



ABOVE: Seniors lead the songs during Mass.

BELOW: Bishop Gerald Gettelfinger was the guest celebrant at Mass.





Friends Alicia Rupert and Natalie Glaser smile for one last picture.



# God is a big part of our lives, too

Mater Dei-ville is a unique community because we have one aspect in our lives that many other schools don't have; God is a part of our lives everyday.

Throughout the year, the students gathered together to worship with God. Masses took place on first Fridays, holy days, and on the Day of Renewal.

During this retreat, the student body spent the day with the Net Team, a group of young adults who travel around the country to talk and share their thoughts about Jesus Christ.

The students also took part in Penance days in which priests from the area came to listen to confessions. This was also a time for the students to sit and pray and to reflect upon their lives in quiet.



There is always time for fun and games, even during the school retreat.





The junior class listens intently to a Net Team member on the school's Day of Renewal.

A new Blessed Virgin Mary statue, donated by the class of '54, stands in the center of the courtyard.

Fr. Richard Cash, of Owensboro, gives the homily at the retreat Mass.











TOP: Sophomores play along with the Net Team during the retreat.

ABOVE LEFT: Fr. Mark lifts up Christ's body and blood as the student body celebrates Mass.

ABOVE: John, a Net Team member, tells the student body,"If I weren't a Netter I would rather be..."

LEFT: Daniel, a Netter, raises his hands in praise of God.

# Basketball fever:

# □ We caught it!



Senior John Werner gets a little too involved in the theme of Pajama Day during basketball Spirit Week.



The model of Coach Wathen tells the truth The juniors are all that and a bag of chips!



Sophomore Nathan Scheller shows off  $\,$  his dream of becoming the next Betty Crocker.



Freshmen Nick Raben and Seth Weber show that their cla is proud to be the newest Wildcats.



ophomores Meaghan Topper, Katie Faraone, Emily Steinback, Heather Bennett, Sarah Hamilton nd Julie Hart were one big clash on Clash Day.



Senior Jason Haton proves he has style, no matter what clothes he is wearing.



p, this is not a scene from King Kong. It is just anior Matt Bohleber on Clash Day.



Seniors Amy Lehman, Julie Schapker, and Anne Aldenderfer discuss plans for basketball Homecoming.

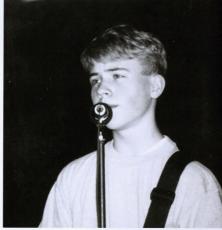


Mrs. Larson gives "bunny ears" to Julie Moll, Jason McCord, Becky Reising, and Christina Canada during basketball Spirit Week.

# And the winners are ...



ABOVE: Mayor Anthea Knapp gives awards to the firstplace winners, Matt Riordan, John Verkamp, and Seth Weber. They played "Black," "Santa Monica," and "Brown-eyed Girl."



ABOVE: Freshman Seth Weber excites the talent show crowd.







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LEFT: Freshman Matt Riordan plays the bass in the first-place band. ABOVE: The crowd awaits another performance.





eniors Matt Schmitt and Steve Jung sing their version of Garth rooks' "The River."

BELOW: Freshmen Justin Petty (pictured) and Justin Rohl thrilled the crowd with "Chicken House Blues," "Song With No Name." and "Knockin' on Heaven's Door."







ABOVE: SeniorTonySchellersings "I Wish We'd All Been Ready" by Garth Brooks.





Among Us" by Alabama.





ABOVE: Judges concentrate on picking the winners.

LEFT: Sophomores Meaghan Topper and Katie Faraone sing "Always Be My Baby" by MariahCarey.

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Motivational speaker Kevin Wanzer, brought to Mater Dei by C.A.T.S., uses his squirrel to talk about the dangers of drugs. Afterward, he chats with Niki Hemmer, Valerie Murray, Laura McGhee, and Jan Bickett.



# The Jell-O started flying

The senior cour for basketball Homecoming had a Jell-O eating contest. Julie Ko feeds Jake Martin as Brandon Tenbarge shows his dislike for the whole thing by throwing Jell-O on Angela VanNess.

We had plenty of pep

The seniors get with it at an assembly in the fall.





Sophomores show they have all kinds of enthusiasm.

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### And the best legs belong to ... Matt Voelker

The legs of five senior wrestlers got their moment in the spotlight at an assembly for the wrestling team regionals. And Matt Voelker won the first-place ribbon for best legs. He's receiving his award from Angela VanNess.







A fixture at assemblies during football season is head coach Mr. Frank Will.



Nick Helmer performs at an assembly showcasing the percussion ensemble that went to state.

# Amy Behman is May queen



# Senior May Court

Brad Turner, Kim Eickhoff, Todd Kite, Anthea Knapp, Jeff Goebel, Erin Zenthoefer, Dan Goebel, May Day Queen Amy Lehman, Dan Reed, Becky Will, Dan Rexing, Andrea Luigs, Brendan Anslinger, and Jona Farthing.



Juniors pull their way to victory in the tug-of-war against the freshmen.



May Day Queen Amy Lehman crowns Mary during Mass. Dan Goebel is her escort. Later, the two show the effects of the "the mud pit."







You could almost call Todd Kite (ABOVE) the ringmaster of the pit. LEFT: The freshman team gets a taste of the mud, while (BELOW) it became a matter of just jumping in.







There were clean games, too, involving greased watermelons and basketballs.

# Kissing contest is a real squealer





Senior Andy Effinger poses while jumping over a pole in the obstacle course. He helped the senior class win the championship. Then teacher Mary Pattison (MIDDLE) shows she hasn't lost her sense of humor in the dunking booth.



Freshman Lisa Acton prays she will catch the water balloon.



In a "Kiss the Pig" contest to help a worthy cause, students donated the most money in Principal Herb Neighbors' behalf. So Mr. Neighbors kisses the pig held by Chris Schillinger five times for winning the contest. Dean of Students Mike Bussiere came in second, so he got to kiss the pig four times.

# Seniors rule the May Day games





PISER TO STORY

Krista Dausman has a blast at the dunking booth



Eric Jost runs the obstacle course, while BELOW) Audrey Ripplemeier focuses on just having fun.





ABOVE: It's a bird. It's a plane. No, it's J.D. Wargel making a landing at the end of the obstacle course. Matt Boehman is doing the timing.

LEFT: Junior Theresa Webster zeroes in on the water balloon contest.

# Prom 1996

# 'Never Say Goodbye'

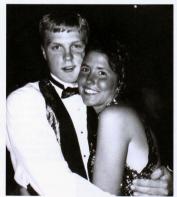
"Never say goodbye, you and me and all my friends hoping it would never end..."

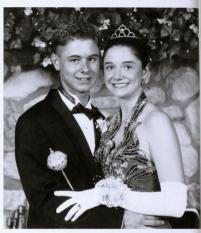
The 1996 prom was held at Bauer's Srove. Jason Teldhaus and Julie Schapker were crowned prom queen and king.



Senior guys show a little leg at prom. They are Roger Nurrenbern, Nathan Smither, Kent Halbig, Jeff Fischer, and Andy Effinger.

Adam Black and Amy Martin snuggle up for a picture.





The king and queeen of Prom `96 were Jason Feldhaus and Julie Schapker.



Audrey Ripplemeier and date enjoy the romantic carriage ride around Bauer's Grove.



Friends gather: (first row: Maria Kirsch and date. Lauren Brady. Matt Schmitt. Paula Petrig and date, Jenny Porter and date: (second row) Adam Bigge, Mindy Schenk, Jared Burgdorf. Stephanie Ward. Linda Martin and date, Kristi Wargel and date. Sarah Kempf. Jeff Woehler. Angie Seib and date, Dedra Sandefur and date. Brad Dick and date. John Peck and date; (third row) Tony Scheller, Rachelle Mayer, Steve Jung and date, Becky Miller and date, and Henry Hasenour and date.



hother group of seniors decide to show some muscle at prom: (front) Nick Mayer; (kneeling) Kevin Paul, Scott Shaefer, Brad Turner, Mark-Wagner; (standing) Chris Koester, Matt Voelker, Jake Martin, Lucas Goebel, Jim Shiff, Todd Kite, Greg Kempf, Brandon Tenbarge, Adam Black, and Aaron Ruggles.

# PEOPLE



Alerting Mr. Bussierel Justin Petty has earrings on -- after school. RIGHT: Freshman Lynn Spahn: What color day is all about.





Sophomore Kristin Schaefer flirts with Matt Farmer. That's life.



view while decorating for Homecoming.



# SOME PEOPLE MAKE THE WORLD MORE SPECIAL JUST BY BEING IN IT.



reshman Heather Knapp, Kerri Vowels, Jessica Butler, Angie Sotolongo, and Hollie Jorrow show their groovy style during Spirit Week.

Sophomores Kristi Winternheimer and Stephen Jost decorate for Spirit Week.





Sophomores Meg Liffick and Julie Buedel are all smiles on Meg's birthday. LEFT: Junior Nick Dixon snorts over Angie Miller.



The class of '96 in their shirts "Breaking Through the Bricks."









Sara Knapp Treasurer

Blake Shumate Secretary

Amy Lehman Vice President

Andrea Boots President

# Seniors



Kevin Acton



Lori Adler



Anne Aldenderfer



Sherry Alvey



Brendan Anslinger



Joseph Armentano



Lisa Baumgart



David Beyerstedt



Adam Bigge



Adam Black



Troy Blazier



Matthew Boehman

## Class of '96

#### Breaking through the bricks



Matthew Bohleber



Andrea Boots



Lauren Brady



Amy Braun



Angela Braun



Jared Burgdorf



Amanda Clayton



Barry Cox





**Bradley Dick** 



Jeremiah Echele



Andrew Effinger

# Unforgettable...

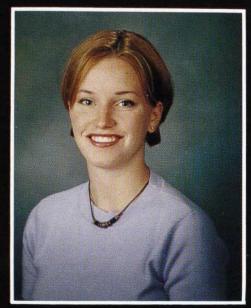
The time Matt Schmitt and I developed a philosophy for life: "Life is like a buffet - be sure to get big plates." - Steve Jung When the cheerleaders dropped Monica Weber and broke both of her arms.

Matt Bohleber's ties on dress-up days.

When Nick Mayer won the state wrestling championship.



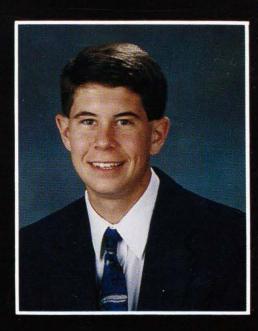
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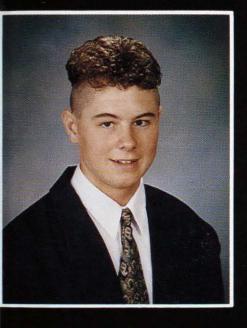
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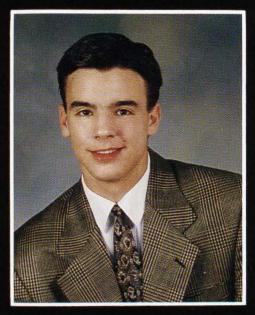
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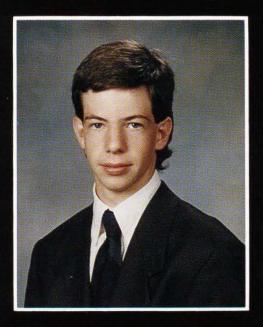
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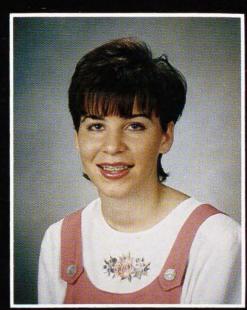
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Jeffrey Fischer



Wade Flake III



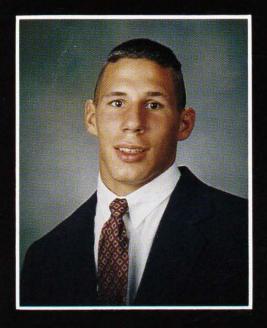
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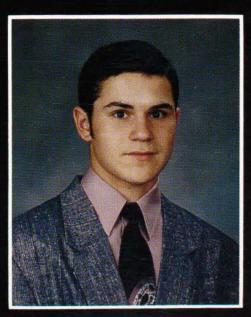
Jennifer Folz



Natalie Glaser



Daniel Goebel



Jeffrey Goebel

# Seniors



Lucas Goebel



Jill Goedde



Melissa Greathouse



Lori Gries



Kent Halbig



Angie Hall



Henry Hasenour



Jason Haton



Keviii Head



Lorrie Head



Nicholas Helmer



Maurice Helmerich

# I'll Never Forget...

When Kent Halbig was left at the drive-in .

When Natalie Glaser dumped a glass of water on Julie Ko at Arby's during out to lunch.

When Sara Knapp drove away, after teepeeing Nathan Smither, with a long strand of toilet paper stuck to the bumper of her car.

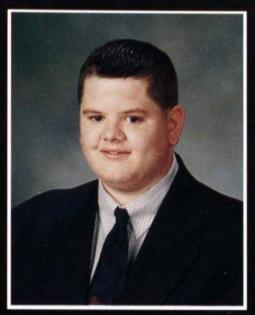
When Matt Voelker told Ms. Gries that he had to go to the bathroom because his contact fell out, even though he never had contacts.



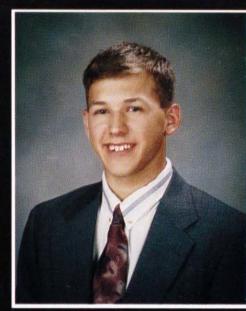
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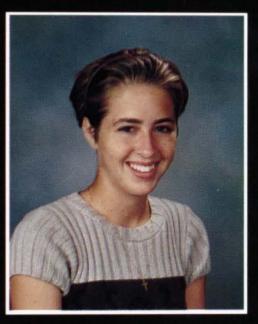
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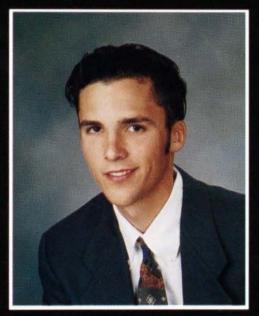
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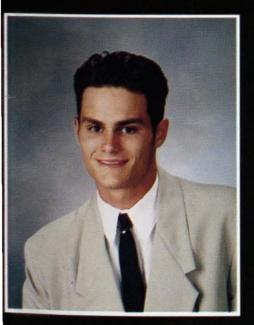
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Adam Keeneth



Joseph Keller



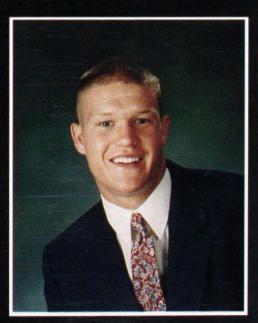
Greg Kempf



Severin Kempf



Holly Kissinger



Todd Kite

## Class of '96

#### Breaking through the bricks



Kristopher Kleinschmidt



Anthea Knapp



Nathan Knapp



Sara Knapp



Julie Ko



Christopher Koester



John Koressel



Laura Kuehne



Amy Lehman



Daniel Lintzenich



Andrea Luigs



Amy Martin

# Happiness is ...

When Father Mark laughs. -- Erin Smyth

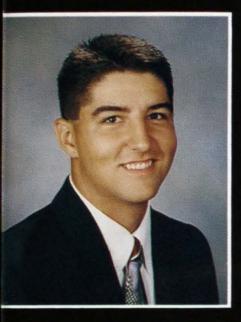
Seeing other people show their closeness to God. -- Amy Lehman

School hot rolls.

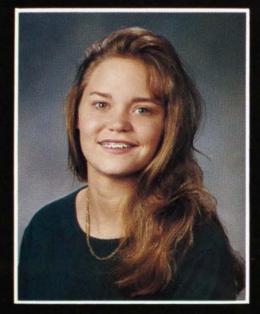
Mr. Tom Dick's flunking songs.

Snow days.

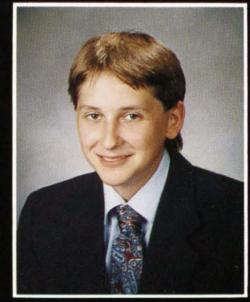
Ms. Pattison groovin' Pict's style.



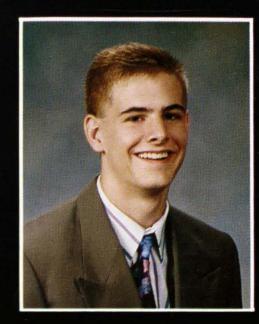
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Jennifer Masterson



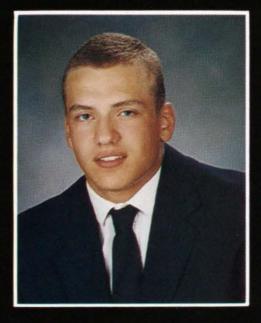
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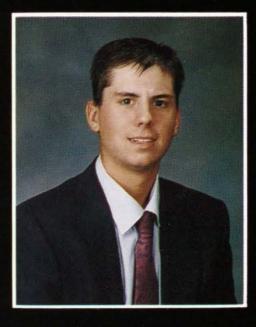
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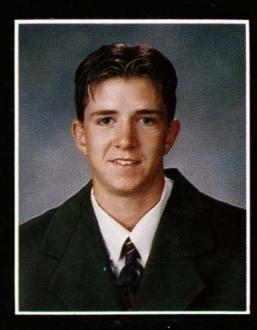
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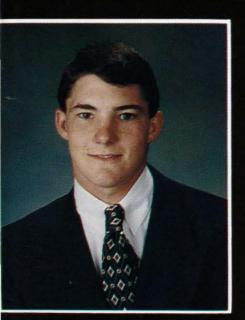
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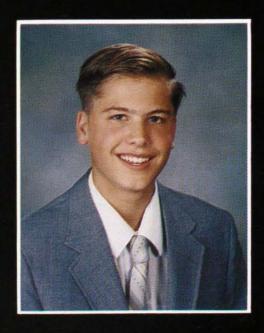
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Kevin Paul



Chad Payton



Paula Petrig

# Seniors



Jennifer Porter



Gregory Raben



Andrew Reckelhoff



Daniel Reed



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Daniel Rexing



Gregory Rice



Scott Richardville



Aaron Ruggles



Alicia Rupert



Dedra Sandefur



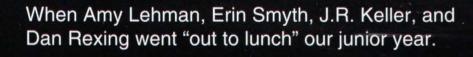
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# I'll never forget...

Mike Hemmer and Matt Russ at the brickyard.

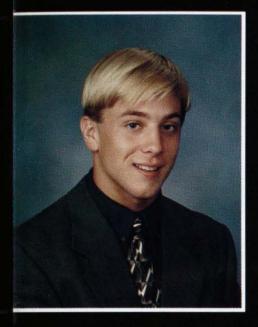
When the Braun twins locked their keys in their car with the engine running.

The Spanish classes with Mr. Wright.



In eigth-grade algebra class when Andy Effinger sneezed and tooted at the same time, even Mr. Keith laughed.

The Marion County Sheriffs. -- Chris Schillinger



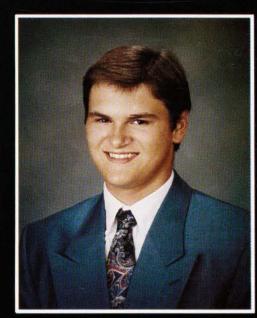
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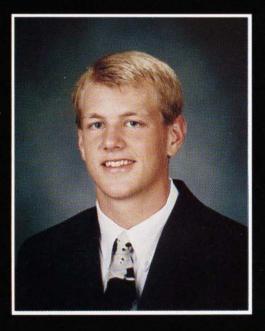
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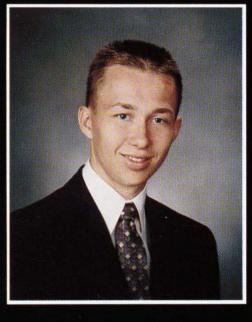
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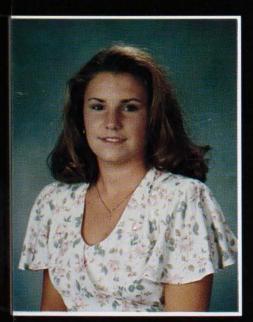
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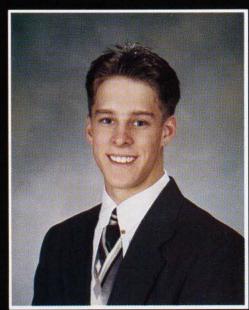
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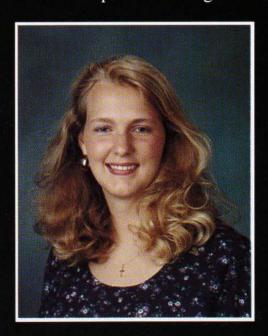
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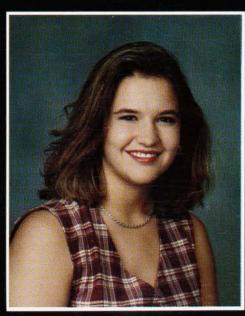
Stacey Schmitt



Kristoffer Schnur



Angela Seib



Mary Pat Shepard

# Class of '96

#### Breaking through the bricks



Blake Shumate



Nathan Smither



Erin Smyth



Daniel Spaetti



Jill Spahn



Brian Steinkamp



Peter Stoltz



Karyn Strange



Brandon Tenbarge



**Bradley Turner** 



Christy Unfried



Angela VanNess

# Unforgettable...

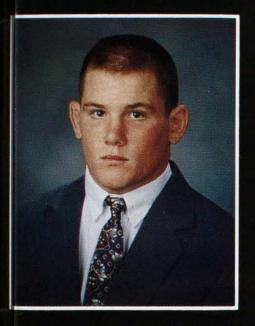
When Angie Braun forgot one of her shoes at home.

When several senior girls rode in Amy Lehman's Colonel Mustard out to lunch and it couldn't make it up the hill.

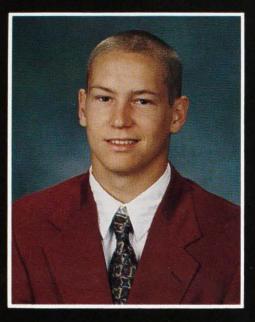
When Danny Spaetti caught the heater on fire junior year.

When Kristi Wargel yelled, "Give peace a chance," at the retreat.

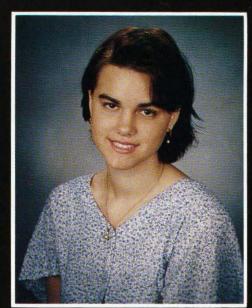
When Andrea Luigs said, "HEY! Look, that cop is writing a ticket."



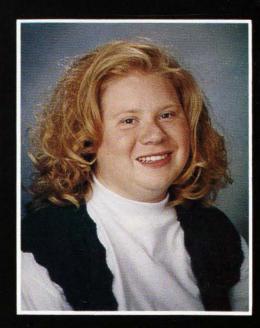
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Mark Wagner



Kristi Wargel



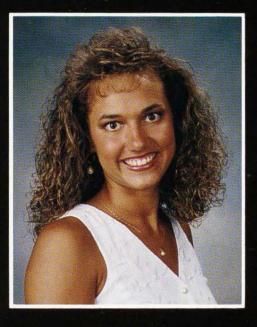
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Monica Weber



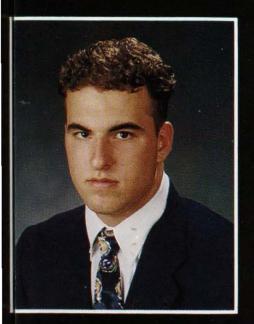
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Rebecca Weis



John Werner



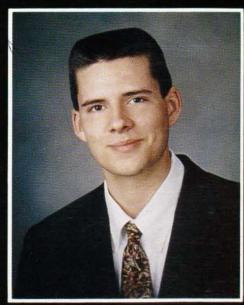
LawrenceWerner Jr.



Becky Will



Erin Zenthoefer



Shawn Zuber



Friends Alicia Rupert, Monica Weber, and Julie Ko at the Christmas Dance.



Sara Knapp, Erin Smyth, and Kim Herr goof off after a track meet.



Becca Weis, Sara Knapp, Jill Spahn, Amy Lehman, Jenni Folz, Andrea Boots, and Molly Sandwell -- Teammates and friends.



Jeff Fischer and Andy Effinger are buddies who just like to have a good time.



Andrea Luigs, Abby Davids, Lisa Baumgart, Monica Weber, Erin Smyth, Anthea Knapp, Angie VanNess, and Amy Lehman are ready for a night on the town.



Jamie Folz and Laura Kuehne show off Laura's new car.

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BELOW: Stacey Schmitt and Melissa Eppler ess up and show their spirit.





ABOVE:Greg Raben and Kent Halbig dress up as Ra and Ben from the Raben Tire ad.

LEFT: Jenni Folz and Joe Armentano are true "Little Rascals."



LEFT: Chris Koester and Todd Kite take time out to wave at the camera.

BELOW:Nick Mayer and Lucas Goebel show off their "other" side.





# SHZHORS



# The senior billboard

Designed by Craig Fehrenbacher







break from their work are, in front, Amanda Clayton, Christy Unfried, Erin Smyth, Amy Lehman, Holly Kissinger, Sherry Alvey, Molly Sandwell, Natalie Glaser, Andrea Luigs, Andy Effinger. Jenny Porter; in back, Blake Shumate, Greg Raben, Brandon Tenbarge, Anthea Knapp, Angie VanNess, Missy Eppler, Kim Herr, and Eric Jost.

ABOVE: Taking a





ABOVE: Painting and having a good time are Greg Raben, Jason Feldhaus, Andy Effinger, Brandon Tenbarge and Craig Fehrenbacher.

LEFT: Sara Knapp carefully paints the name of the sponsor, Family Partnership Against Drugs, on the billboard.

Class

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#### Junior class officers



Alex Zenthoefer President



Melissa Fehrenbacher Vice President



Jennifer Schili Treasurer



Nicole Raben Secretary



ara Acton



Heather

Altstadt



Derek Amundson



Damon Anslinger



Kelli Ausbrooks Andrea Auth





Kevin Baehl



manda Bailey



Elizabeth Bailey Laci Barnhart





Matthew Beyer



Dena Beyerstedt Jan Bickett





Michael Bishop



ori Bittner



Sarah Black



Michelle Blankenberger



Aaron Boehman



Bohleber



Paul Borries





llen Brenner



Jay Cartwright Mark Chandler





Christian



Nikole Cissell



Colleen Corcoran Andrea Correa





Joshua Corture



Brianna Cox



Grant Craig



Jessica Cummings



The junior girls gather for a picture at the Football Homecoming dance.



Nicholas Dixon



Nicole Dressel



Stephen Elfreich Jessica Elpers





Tina Elpers



Jill Englert



Matthew Farmer



Peter Fehrenbacher



Jennifer Feulner



Joshua File



Gary Fischer



Tracy Flake



Jessica Freeman Amy Frey





Jacqueline Gibson



Christy Goebel



Alisha Goedde



Stefanie Goedde Sergio Gomez





Andrea Gough





Michelle Hall



Joseph Hart



Jason Hartz



Benjamin Hauke Michael Head





James Heavrin



Nicole Hemmer



Hinderliter



Kenneth Hisch



Anna Hoang



Thomas Jankowski



Vanessa Jansen



Casi Iost



Christopher Kempf



Nichole Kempf



Sarah Kempf



Jessica Kiefer



Jeremy Kiesel



Maria Kirsch



Brian Knapp



Rachelle Knapp



Nicholas Knight Sarah Koressel







Amanda Lee



Jason Like



Rachelle Knapp shows how it's done in the Walkathon.



David Lottes



Gabriel Maddox Amy Martin





Jessica Martin



#### uniors



Linda Martin



Joseph Mayer



Justin Mayer



Scott Mayer



Andrew Mazzier



Anthony McDonald



Messersmith



Angela Miller



Erin Mills



John Montgomery



Rvan Muensterman



Christina Mueth Julia Murray



Amy Nally



Andrew Niemeier



Kevin Niemeier



Kristi Niemeier



Libby Olinger



Rebecca Oliver



John Peck



Connie Petrig









Amanda Bailey, Jennifer Schili, and Nicole Raben show what true school spirit is.



Sarah Koressel shows her enthusiasm during Spirit Week.

#### Juniors



Philip Rawley



Christina Regel



Jennifer Richardt



Jonelle Rietman



Nicholas Ritzert











Audrey

Ripplemeier



**Julie Roberts** 



Mark Sammet

Stephen Schaefer Thomas Schaefer Nicholas

Chadwick Schapker Schenk







Matthew Schenk



Matt Schnell



Matthew Schreiber



Michael Schroeder

Heath Stewart



Sarah Black and Kenny Hisch walk to lunch at Howell Park.



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Rebecca Shetler Angela Spahn





Ashley Stansberry

## Juniors



Jeremy Kiesel shows off his true style during Spirit Week.



Zachary Stilin



Joshua Sutton



Christopher Tornatta



Allison Townsend



Tom Traylor



Julie Waller



Stephanie Ward



Ann Marie Weber



Theresa Webster Kevin



Weinzapfel



Weinzapfel



Jeffrey Werner



Brianna Cox and Nichole Kempf stop to show their true friendship.



John Werner



Christina Wicks



Kurt Wildeman



Matthew Williamson



Jennifer Wittgen Jeffrey Woehler



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#### Sophomore class officers



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ndrew Bradley



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Christina Canada



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Diefenbach



Leslie Dixon



Christopher Droste



Lori Dubord



Stacey Euler



David Farmer



Gary Folz



Mark Folz



Eric Ford



Andrew Funke



Ionathan Funke



Erin Goebel



Sarah Hamilton



Jennifer Harris



Iulie Hart



Andria Haton



Ryan Hayden



John Helfrich



Roxanne Helmer



Julie Helmerich



Jeremy Herrmann



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Steven Hunt



Amanda Inkenbrandt



Stephen Jost



Neil Kassenbrock





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Ryan Kirsch



Clinton Kissinger



Kueber





Leigh Ann Lannert



Shawn Lewis



Kathryn Little



Teresa Lutz



Robert Mallory



Andrea Masters



Maynard



lason McCord



Laura McGhee Cari Miller





Iulie Moll



Stephanie Moore Terra



Muensterman



Kari Nurrenbern



Christina

O'Neal



Bradford Parish Rebecca Pictor





Adam Pierce



Brian Pope



Joseph Ramsbey



Natalie Rasler



Reddington



Jamie Reese



Stefani Reidford



Laura Reising



Rebecca Reising Tracey Reising





Evelyn Rexing





Stephanie Rexing



Curtis VanNess shows that even super heroes can act a little crazy.



Beth Ritzert



Greg Schaefer



Jason McCord does his best David Letterman impersonation during the Walkathon skits



These sophomores will always be friends, no matter what they are wearing.













Kristin Schaefer

Nathan Scheller

Mindy Schenk

Rachel Schenk

Ryan Scheu

Bryan Schmitt

**Eugene Schmitt** 



Gregory Schmitt



Adam Schnarr



Daniel Schrader



E.W. Scott



Timothy Scott



Renee Shirk



Adam Siemers



Carrie Sitzman



Corwin Spaetti



Jill Spaetti



John Spahn



Thomas Stallings



Emily Steinbach Lora Stephens





Rvan Kirsch listens to music during the Walkathon.



Stephanie Rexing shows her creativity while making posters for the sophomore hall.



Samuel Stephens



John Stofleth



Paul Stoltz



Stephanie Stonecipher



Ionathan Straus



Heidi Tenbarge



Meaghan Topper



Christina Ulrich



Curtis VanNess



John Verkamp



Elizabeth Vindhurst



Matthew Vowels



Matthew Walker



Ioshua Waterman



Brian Wathen





Noah Werner



Sarah Werner



James Whitney



Gerard Wildeman



Keith Wildeman Sara Wilson





Kristi Winternheimer

#### Class



#### Freshman class officers



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Tony Unfried Vice President



Angela Luigs Treasurer Secretary



Brianne Lemberg



Donna Adams



Theresa Adler



April Altstadt



Jami Altstadt



Kevin Alvey Kimberly Alvey



Michael Alvey



Lucas

Angermeier



**Jennifer** Ausbrooks



Christopher Austin









































Elfreich



Emily Elpers



James Elpers



Jeffery Elpers



Laura Elsner



Bernard Faraone | Jennifer Farmer





Thomas Feller



Andrew Fischer



Julie Fischer



Lorna Fischer



Kevin Folz



Nathaniel Gault



Jocelyn Gibson



Lori Goedde



Nicholas Gries



Margaret Halbig



Lisa Head



Brooke Heavrin



Ioshua Hedderich



Timothy Hertel Peter Helfrich





Hillenbrand



Audrey Hinderliter



David Hisch



Ioshua Hodge



Anna Hutchinson



Authur Hyde





Jason Jorgensen



Sarah Jost



Katie Keller



Russell Keller



Ryan King



Charlene Kirsch



Heather Knapp

#### reshmen



Angie Payton and Jami Altstadt show their school spirit during the Walkathon.



Michael Koch



Richard Koester Amy Krack





Aaron Kunkel



Joseph Lamble



Patrick Lamble



Brian Luigs Michelle Langton



Dustin Macke



Chad Martin



Jacob Martin



Daniel Mayer



Paul McDonald



Joseph McGarrh Karen Memmer



Sarah Mesker



Deidre Messmer



Isaac Miller



Nicholas Miller



Scott Miller



Jennifer Moll



Montgomery



Richard Morris



Hollie Morrow





Dana Mosby





Murray



Niemeier



Scott Owen



Anthony Paul



Derrick Paul



Angela Paulson



Angela Payton



Adam Raben Justin Petty







Joshua Reising





Lisa Reising

Jamie Rexing

Nicholas Raben

Angela Reckelhoff

john Reis







Anna



Rheinlander



Rheinlander



Matthew Riordan



Katherine Ritchie



Nathaniel Rivers



John Rudisill

Ruggles



Lesley Sabel



Melissa Sabel



Michael Joshua Sammet



Sandwell



Freshman girls give peace signs in honor of Back In Time Day.



Peter Helfrich and Kevin Alvey goof off in between classes.

#### reshmen



Amanda Schenk Sara Schenk





Sarah Scheu



Adam Schiff



Nathan Schiff



April Schmitt



Jennifer Schmitt Jamie Schmitt







Robert Schmitt



Elita Sheridan



Natalie Shetler



Curt Sills



Mary Smither



Benjamin Smyth



Kendra Schmitt

Angela Sotolongo



Lindsey Sotolongo



Kevin Spahn



Lynn Spahn



Crystal Spivey



Steinkamp



Pamela Steinkamp



Thomas Stolz



Adam Tenbarge Jamie Tepool









Kenneth Titzer



Joseph Traylor Amanda Uhde





Jennifer Vick



Kerri Vowels



Christopher Waelde



Brittny Wannemuehler



Anna Ward





Daniel Ward



Joshua Wargel



Stephanie Wargel



Kortney Weber



Seth Weber



Jessica Weis



Andrea Werner



Wendi Wigginton



Brian Wildeman



Alicia Wilderman



Roger Wilderman



James Will



Katie Will





Andrew Woehler



Sarah Wright



Michelle Zirkelbach



Scott Miller talks on the phone during his lunch period. LEFT: Freshman girls help decorate the halls during Spirit Week.



# ACADEMICS



Freshman Elita Sheridan concentrates on her homework.

BELOW: Joe Armentano's cackling laugh will echo through the M.D. halls for years to come.



Seniors Andy Reckelhoff and Andrea Luigs and sophomore Lora Stephens focus on testimony during court.





Seniors Jill Kaiser (left) and Julie Schapker work together on an experiment in Advanced Chemistry.



#### MATER DEI STUDENTS KEEP GOING, AND GOING ...





ABOVE: Miss Rogge is surprised when senior Aaron Ruggles brings her a Ronald McDonald cake on her birthday. Aaron offered to feed her as well.

LEFT: Junior Nichole Kempf makes herself comfortable on a hot day early in the school year.

## Spanish

### Earth Science



Judy Berberich Spanish



Mike Bussiere Dean of Students



Randy Dick Physics and Algebra



Tom Dick Science



Becky Will and Lori Gries do a scene from "Macbeth" for Advanced Placement English class.

## Seven new faces join Mater Dei staff





ABOVE: Fr. Mark distributes ice to his senior religion students, Natalie Glaser and Joe Armentano, during the scorching month of August. RIGHT: P.J. McDonald does a speech for freshman English.

#### Health

## Algebra





LEFT: Juniors Jason Like and Tony McDonald act like the mad scientists of Mater Dei.

ABOVE: Senior Dan Reed studies on "Back in Time" day during Football Homecoming Spirit Week.



Senior Lorrie Head was one of the Mater Dei students who volunteered for the community cleanup effort of Pigeon Creek.

#### New staff

Along with 185 new students, Mater Dei had seven new faces on its staff. Mr. Mike Bussiere, a veteran educator, was the new dean.

Other new faces were Mr. Steve Halbig in journalism; Mr. Tom Mace in music; Ms. Sherri Rosaldo, secretary; Ms. Karen Redden in English; Ms. Lisa Wannemueller in science; and Mr. Chris Moers in art.

#### Creek cleanup

On Oct. 28, 1995, the Evansville community and some of Mr. Carl Voegel's science students gathered trash in the Pigeon Creek cleanup.

The volunteers and students got into groups with their garbage bags and found tires, car seats, cans and all kinds of other trash. Their efforts left the creek cleaner and ready for construction of a new bike path.



Joe Dippel Athletic Director



Brenda Donofrio English



Diane Fehrenbacher Secretary



Dawnelle Gollnick Secretary

## Geometry

## Math Analysis



Mike Goebel Government



Laura Gries Geometry



Steve Halbig Journalism



Debbie Haton Math Analysis



Seniors Adam Keeneth and Greg Kempf are groovin' during Ms. Rogge's surprise birthday party.



ABOVE: Art class is not confined to the classroom. RIGHT: Sophomore Katie Faraone paints great in the hallway. BELOW: Senior Brendan Anslinger does a pencil drawing during Spirit Week.





#### Government

# Biology





Sr. Donna Marie Religion, History



Carol Hudgions Computer, Business



Kay Jolliff Music





Rick Keith Algebra

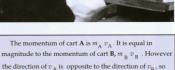
Senior Jeff Goebel (LEFT) and freshman Jacob Martin (RIGHT) are all concentration.





IELOW: Sophomore Josh Waterman does esearch on a library computer.





the direction of  $v_{\rm A}$  is opposite to the direction of  $v_{\rm B}$  , so

 $v_A = -v_B$ Consequently,  $m_A v_A = -m_B v_B$ 

 $m_A v_A + m_B v_B = 0$ and

Physics, anyone?

#### History

#### Micro Computer



Darin Knight History, Psychology



Julia Kunkler Business



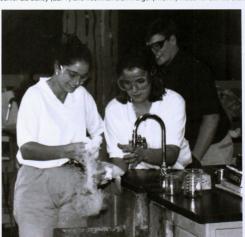
Junior Liz Bailey (LEFT) and freshman J.D. Wargel (RIGHT) model for still-life drawings in art class.



Fr. Mark Kurzendoerfer Religion



Becky Larson Home Economics



Seniors Julie Schapker and Mary Shepard bring their Advanced Chemistry experiment to life. Senior Barry Cox observes.

"The wisest mind has something yet to learn."

> -George Santayana

"Any subject can be made interesting, and therefore any subject can be made boring."

-Hilaire Belloc

"Ideas are the root of creation."

> - Ernest Dimnet

#### Journalism

# Religion



The eyes have it. From left are Lora Stephens, Anna Hoang, Julie Ko, and Jennifer Wittgen.





Physics students Nathan Smither, Jason Feldhaus and Andrea Boots work together.



ABOVE LEFT: Mr. Bob Schleter helps Peter Stoltz and Chad Payton with chemistry. ABOVE: Amanda Bailey is deep in thought.



Greg Kiesel concentrates on his homework.



Sharon Layman Bookkeeper



Donna Lilly Counselor



Sharon Livingston Librarian



Tom Mace Band director

#### German

## Interior Design



John McMullen Religion



Chris Moers



Herb Neighbors Principal



Linda Palmer Music

# August heat delays education



ABOVE: Adam Black is supported by the "Fischer Built" Trojan horse. Jeff built the horse for Western Literature. BELOW: Mr. Bussiere, dean of students, addresses the student body.









#### Sacraments

## Psychology





ABOVE: Seniors Kathy Render and Paula Petrig display the Medieval castle they built for a Western Literature project. ABOVE LEFT: Juniors Kevin Baehl and Jeff Werner cool themselves during Spanish.



English



Darlene Quinlin Driver's Education





Karen Redden English



Shea Reneer English







#### Keyboarding

#### Drivers Ed.



Steve Rode German

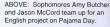




Rose Rogge English



ABOVE LEFT: Freshmen Brikelle Cox and Jami Altstadt are all smiles at the end of a home economics class.



LEFT: Sophomores Curtis VanNess, Beth Ritzert, and Sara Wilson go all out for a biology presentation.

BELOW: A group of Earth Science students explore Lynnville Observatory.



Sherri Rosaldo Secretary



Robert Schleter Chemistry



#### Calculus

# Accounting





LEFT: Blake Shumate does the measuring and Eric Jost the recording in a physics experiment. ABOVE: Mr. Randy Dick teaches wind resistance to physics students Kris Schnur and Lauren Brady.



Roger Sills Art



Angela Strehl Geometry







Jeanne Thomas Algebra



Mary Traylor Assistant Principal



ABOVE LEFT: Senior Scott Richardville takes a break at the Pigeon Creek Cleanup, and (ABOVE) seniors Jami Folz and Sherry Alvey come down a bank with their haul.

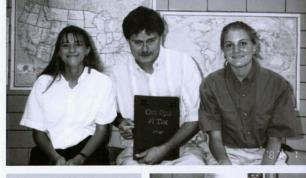
LEFT: Sophomore Heather Bennett is all concentration at the board.

#### Catechism

# Interior Design



Joan Vickery Spanish



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Carl Voegel Biology

ABOVE: Poor Mr. Z! Mr. Zurstadt was left out of the 1994-95 yearbook. So he shares his demise with juniors Christy Regel (left) and Jennifer Schili.



BELOW: Mr. Neighbors, principal, shows off the portrait that the faculty gave him at the staff Christmas party.

BELOW RIGHT: Mary Smither takes her turn at the board.



Lisa Wannemuehler Science



Dave Wathen Church History





# Sociology

#### Anatomy



#### Up, up, and away

Mr. Schleter's chemistry class learns that hot air is lighter than cool air. As a result, their hot air balloon went up. Junior Jessica Freeman helps in getting it off the ground.





Molly Weber Secretary



Frank Will Drivers Ed.





Sr. Mary Francis Keyboarding



Bill Zurstadt Sociology



BELOW RIGHT: Keyboarding students do things with Play-do that reflect their personality types.

Greg Rice hands Mr. Knight note.





#### Life Ethics

#### Field Trips



Seniors Erin Zenthoefer, Rebecca Weis, Christy Unfried, and Amy Lehman strike a pose before leaving the Field Museum.

Chemistry teacher Bob Schleter spearheaded the first, hopefully annual, Chicago field trip. Any student enrolled in a science class was eligible to go. Students filled three coach buses at two in the morning. They ate breakfast and supper at the elegant Beef House.

The first stop in Chicago was the Field Museum with an optional Shedd Aquarium. The last site the students visited was the Museum of Science and Industry.



# Chicago proves to be a super field trip



ABOVE: Ahoy mates!
Karyn Strange and Anne
Aldenderfer keep their ship
on course. ABOVE RIGHT:
Juniors Elizabeth Bailey
and Jennifer Schili make
the bus ride go by faster.
RIGHT: Mr. Tom Dick
cheeses for the camera.
FAR RIGHT: Juniors
Jessica Cummings and
Angie Spahn get their
beauty rest.







#### U.S. History

#### General Science



#### The Mater Dei Express

hese guys won state honors with the car they built in Science Diub for the Indiana Mathematics, Science and Technology ducation Alliance Supermileage Challenge. In front are Nick felmer and Wade Flake. In back are Mike Alvey, Damon Anslinger, Ind Brian Wathen. Mr. Bob Schleter is Science Club sponsor. Their car averaged 167 miles per gallon.





#### Mock Matrimony

To see what a wedding is like, the senior religion class held a mock ceremony. Kim Herr and Greg Kempf (Jeft) are the bride and groom. Their wedding party (above) is Jill Goedde, Andy Effinger, Jenny Porter, Chris Koester. David Beyerstedt was the server, John Moore the priest and Matt Boehman the deacon. Maid of honor was Andrea Boots and best man was Dan Lintzenich



The cafeteria staff: (in front) Jean Kruse, Julie Payne, Marian Alvey; (second row) Sue Greulich, Judy Brown, Mary Jo Kirchoff, Cora Leta Ritchie; (top row) Tonya Schenk, Holly Guetling, Vicki Austin, and Roseanna Ames.



Some more people who make MD tick, and click

Carla Wildeman joined the secretarial staff during the second semester.



Terry Bailey and Warren Bailey, the Mr. Cleans of Mater Dei.

# SPORTS

# Football Cats go 6-4 in 3A

#### Team features parade of stars

The Mater Dei football team continued its winning ways in Class 3A with a record of 6-4. Highlights included a 197-yard rushing attack by Mark Wagner, an interception return for a touchdown by Dan Goebel, and defensive stands against Memorial in the Sectionals.

Quarterback Chris Koester was only 70 vards shy of 2,000 for the season and his main targets, Nick Mayer and Kevin Paul, caught 104 passes for 1,517 yards.

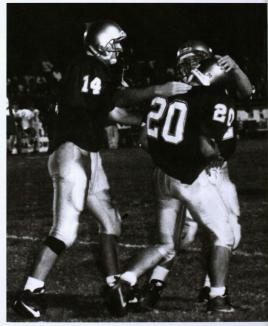
Wagner led the rushing attack with 751 yards on 143 rushes. His 197-yard game in the season opener was the most by a Wildcat in recent memory.

Matt Voelker and Kevin Paul led the defense in tackles with 42 and 37. Dan Goebel had the most tackles for losses with 13. Matt Boehman, at 6-foot-5, 265 pounds, anchored the offensive line.

One of the most impressive wins of the season was over the Castle Knights. Though the Knights were coming off a state championship and were bigger, the Wildcats had their way with them. The score was 26-13.

Overall, coach Frank Will's football team averaged 18 points a game while holding the opposition to 15. The Wildcats were outrushed by their opponents, but they dominated the air by more than 1,200 yards.

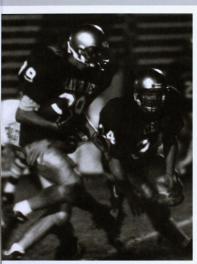
Taking over the task of winning will be the players from the reserve and freshman teams. The reserves finished 6-2 and the freshmen ended up 7-1.



Kevin Paul is congratulated by Chris Koester and Mark Wagner after scoring a TD.



# THE EMOTIONS RUN HIGH: WINNING, LOSING AND IN BETWEEN



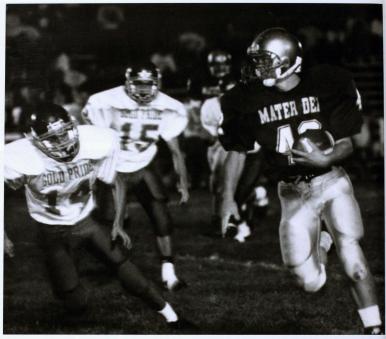




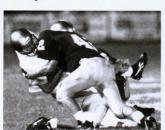
TOP LEFT: Matt Voelker blocks for Nick Mayer after another one of his catches.

ABOVE: Junior Mike Bishop kicks another extra point for the Wildcats. Senior Lucas Goebel is his holder.

LEFT: Senior Matt Voelker gets the defensive play from the sidelines, while Daniel Lintzenich and Dan Goebel wait to be filled in.

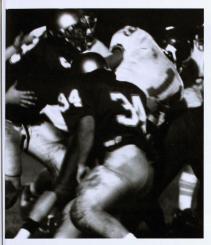


Mark Wagner shows what he's made of on both the defensive, BELOW, and offensive teams, ABOVE.



Senior football player Andy Effinger gets some advice from Dan Rexing, who was out with an injured knee most of the season. Coach Frank Will and other members of the team listen in.







LEFT: Seniors Matt Boehman and Matt Voelker lead a defensive surge. ABOVE: The team comes out fired up and ready for another victory.



ABOVE: Chris Koester, one of the state's top passers, rolls out to do his favorite thing. RIGHT: Trouble is in the air when senior Kevin Paul challenges a Central defender.





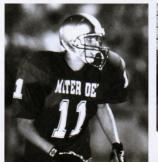
Varsity Football: (front row) Matt Voelker, Larry Werner, Dan Lintzenich, Adam Black, Andy Effinger, Mark Wagner, Nick Mayer, Jim Schiff, Lucas Goebel, Matt Boehman, Todd Kife, Jake Martin, Dan Goebel, Brad Turner; (second row) Joe Ramsbey, Rob Mallory, Mike Halbig, A.D. Boehman, Tom Jankowski, Tony McDonald, Mike Schroeder, Mike Bishopo, Kevin Paul, Chris Koester, Jeff Werner, Chris Kempf, Brandon Martin, Ken Hisch, Jason Hartz, Dan Rexing; (back row) Nick Buchanan, Jason McCord, Dan Schrader, Adam Siemers, Brandon Boots, John Stolfleth, Jeremy Herrmann, Ryan Scheu, Tim Scott, Jason Diefenbach, Dustin Lannert, Josh Waterman, Cory Spaetti, Ahren Baumgart, Chris Droste, John Spahn, James Whiten



Freshman Football: (front row) Adam Tenbarge, Josh Hodge, Dan Jankowski, Jake Martin, P.J. McDonald, Chris Waelde, John Reis, Philip Beck; (second row) Adam Woehler, Tony Unfried, Ryan King, Chad Martin, John Rudisill, Pat Lamble, Jonah Becher, Scott Owen, Pete Helfrich; (third row) Andy Fischer, Adam Schiff, Ike Miller, David Hisch Ketun Fotz, Joe Lamble, Josh Reising; (back row) Ken Titzer, J.D. Wargel, Josh Sandwell, Ben Faraone, Brian Eichkoff, Andy Elfreich.

FAR RIGHT: Freshman quarterback Adam Schiff gets rid of the ball just before being hit. RIGHT: Nick Mayer prepares to run another route. BELOW: Football manager B.J. Hauke spots a football player.











TOP: Senior Kevin Paul is taken down by the Sullivan defense. ABOVE RIGHT: Daniel Lintzenich kicks off. ABOVE: Mark Wagner pushes the defense.



#### **RECORD 6-4**

MD 23.....Central 19 MD 6......Memorial 10 MD 0......North 14 MD 25.....Bosse 22 MD 12.....Harrison 27 MD 47.....Sullivan 6 MD 26....Castle 13

MD 6.....Reitz 21

Sectional Memoria

MD 24.....Memorial 0 MD 19.....Jasper 27

# GOLF

## Driving 'fore' victory

# Girls win City and SIAC crowns

The girls' golf team had a super season. They had a lot of talent, according to coach Charlie Braun

The team was led by four seniors: twins Amy Braun and Angie Braun, Amy Martin and Julie Schapker. Sophomore Meg Liffick was the other starter.

The girls won the city and SIAC titles for the second time in three years. They tied for first in the Sectionals; however, they lost in the tiebreaker and had to settle for second place.

At Regionals, the girls missed qualifying for state by five strokes and took fourth place.

In the city, Mater Dei defeated second-place North by 10 strokes. Angie Braun led the way with an 88, while Amy Braun and Julie Schapker both shot 93 to tie for third place.

In the SIAC, Angie had a bad day, but Amy took up the slack with an 88. Also, "Meg shot a 47 on the back side and really put us over the hump," coach Braun said. The Cats won the crown by seven strokes over runner-up North.



Coach Charlie Braun uses an old wooden putter. He said, "Overall, we had a real nice year. I couldn't have asked any more out of them; they all gave 100 percent."



Senior Angie Braun perfects her putting



Varsity and reserve golf: Julie Schapker, Sarah Mesker, Amy Martin, Jenni Morrow, Amy Braun, Jenny Effinger, Angie Braun, Meg Liffick, Andrea Werner, and coach Charlie Braun.



Senior Amy Braun drives on to victory.



LEFT: Senior Julie Schapker demonstrates her perfect form. BELOW: Sophomore Meg Liffick watches her ball soar.





Angie Braun putts as her sister Amy Braun looks on. Senior Amy Martin concentrates on her next putt.



# **TENNIS**

#### Halbig, Raben go 16-4 in doubles

Although the record doesn't show it, the tennis team was competitive. There were a few matches that could have gone the Wildcats way if they had won more of their three-set matches.

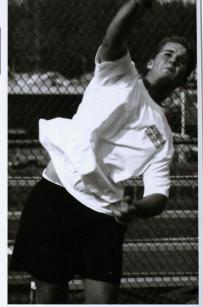
Individually, each player seemed to get better as the year went on. Matt Schmitt and Jeff Elpers placed fourth in SIAC at No. 2 doubles.

Other players for MD were John Koressel, No. 1 singles and team captain; Steve Schaeffer, No. 2 singles; and Pete Fehrenbacher, No. 3 singles. The varsity's record was 5-9.

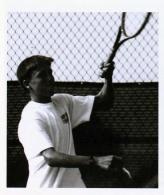
The No. 1 doubles team of Kent Halbig and Greg Raben was one of the best in the area. Halbig and Raben won the Washington Catholic Invitational and placed third in SIAC. They also were sectional runner-ups.

They beat Mt. Vernon and Sullivan, but ended up losing to Terre Haute North for the Sectional championship. Their final record was 16-4.

Reserve players who gained a lot of experience were Severin Kempf, Tony Scheller, Nathaniel Rivers, and Daniel Werner.



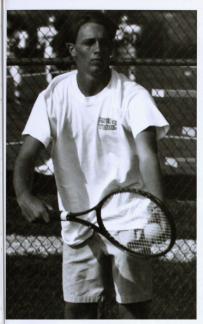
No. 1 doubles player Greg Raben.







No. 1. singles player John Koressel.





No. 2. doubles Jeff Elpers and Matt Schmitt.



No. 1. doubles player Kent Halbig.

No. 2. singles player Steve Schaeffer.



Varsity and reserve tennis: (front row) Nathaniel Rivers, Tony Scheller, Severin Kempf, Dan Werner; (second row) coach Fr. Mark, Steve Schaefer, Greg Raben, Kent Halbig, Jeff Elpers, John Koressel, Matt Schmitt, Peter Fehrenbacher, and coach Tony Bacon.

# Volleyball Dynasty continues

#### Sectional crown is 18th in a row

The Mater Dei volleyball dynasty continued.

The Cats not only had a 31-6 record but won their 18th consecutive Evansville Sectional title.

Four Mater Dei volleyball players were selected to the All-City team, topped by the naming of Jill Spahn as Player of the Year. Also making the team were Molly Sandwell, Amy Lehman and Jessica

Spahn was "a hardcore, all-round player," said coach Darlene Quinlin. "When she spiked the ball in the front row, people noticed. When she played in the back row, she was a good server. She could have been our setter '

Assistant coach Sheila Seib said the team's senior leadership was outstanding.

The team also had a first-place finish in the Jeffersonville tourney and three second-place finishes in other tournaments.

During the regular season, the girls beat longtime rival Boonville twice. And after being beaten by powerhouse Jasper, one of the most exciting matches ever played at Mater Dei came when Jasper arrived for a final meeting of the two teams in regular season play.

Mater Dei had a 15-6 victory in the first game and was ahead 11-2 in the second when Jasper began to rally back. After a battle, Mater Dei came out victorious 21-



Molly Sandwell prepares to block. Amy Lehman is ready too.



Seniors Sara Knapp, Molly Sandwell and Andrea Boots celebrate an ace.



Amy Lehman and junior Jessica Kiefer drop and try to dig up the ball.



The team huddles around Andrea Boots to discuss the strategy.



Senior Jill Spahn slams the ball down





ABOVE: Senior Amy Lehman prepares to serve. ABOVE RIGHT: Seniors Jenni Folz and Molly Sandwell show their enthusiasm. BELOW: Jill Spahn and Molly Sandwell block a



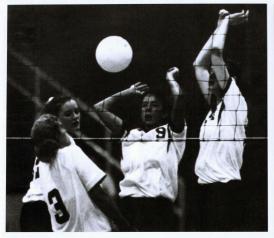


Varsity Volleyball: (front row) Jenni Folz, Kira Crowdus, Amy Lehman; (second row) coach Darlene Quinlin, Jill Spahn, Andrea Boots, Molly Sandwell, Jessica Kiefer, Becca Weis, Sara Knapp, coach Sheila Seib.



Jill Spahn and Jenni Folz are ready.











Molly Sandwell, Sara Knapp, Jill Spahn and Andrea Boots celebrate Senior Night.



Seniors gather to capture a Kodak moment with Willy Wildcat (Monica Weber).



Reserve Volleyball: (front row) Jonelle Rietman, Alisha Goedde, Rachelle Knapp, Shanna Hinderliter: (second row) coach Darlene Quinlin, Theresa Adler, Carrie Sitzman, Stephanie Stonecipher, Natalie Emge, coach Sheila Seib.





FAR LEFT: The reserve team huddles up to listen to coach Seib's advice. LEFT: Junior Rachelle Knapp jumps sky high to attack the ball. BE-LOW: Juniors Rachelle Knapp, Alisha Goedde and sophomore Stephanie Stonecipher give each other high-fives.





Freshman Volleyball: (front row) Jami Altstadt, Angela Luigs, Amy Krack, Kendra Schmitt; (second row) coach Darlene Quinlin, Brianne Lemberg, Jamie Tepool, Angela Paulson, Jessica Weis, Angie Payton, coach Sheila Seib.

#### **SWIMMING**

# It only got better

Swimming, the newest sport at Mater Dei, is already four years old. Coach Terri Unfried started the team for her daughter, Christy Unfried, when she was a fresh-

Christy was the only senior, with 15 underclassmen to back her up.

The team won its first meet against South Spencer and it only got better from there.

Workouts were doubled from the previous year and times kept dropping. On Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, the girls worked out at six in the morning in Mater Dei's weight room.

By defeating Pike Central at the end of the season, the team's final record was 3-3.

Swimming in one of the toughest sectionals in the state, Mater Dei held its own. Christy advanced to sectional finals in the 100-yard freestyle.

The medley relay, consisting of Christy, Kari Nurrenbern, Sarah Koressel, and Jennie Feulner, placed seventh.

Next year, swimming moves to winter. It should increase in numbers and definitely be more competitive.



Varsity: (front row) Erica Owen, Jessica Martin, Christy Unfried, Sarah Koressel, Julia Murray; (second row) Abby Johnson, Jennifer Harris, Terra Muensterman, Leslie Dixon, Audrey Ripplemeier, Jamis Schmitt; (back row) coach Terri Unfried, Angie Niemeier, Jessica Cummings, Kari Nurrenbern, Jennife Feulner, Anna Hutchison, coach Butch Feulner.



The swim team poses for the camera after winning its first meet against South Spencer.





Jenny Harris (LEFT) and Erica Owen (RIGHT) practice their dives before competition at Boonville. The divers improved by almost fift points this season.









LEFT: Terra Muensterman takes a breath while doing her butterfly turn.
ABOVE: Diving coaches Dottie Nurrenbern and Butch Feulner help with times.



Anna Hutchison is caught sleeping on the bus.



Christy Unfried with coach and mother, Terri, are sad to see the season end.



# Cross Country

#### Boys soar to 59-34

The boys cross country team completed the year with a 59-34 record. The team came in second in the city and second in the conference.

Senior Jeff Fischer, junior Matt Krack, and sophomore David Farmer were named All-City, while Fischer and Krack were also named All-Conference runners.

The boys placed fourth in the Sectionals, which sent them on to the regionals where they placed eighth. Krack placed ninth and advanced to semistate. Fischer also received the Knights of Columbus Award, and Krack was awarded Most Improved Runner.



Senior Brandon Nord

Senior Troy Blazier

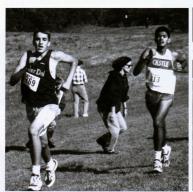


Senior Jeff Fischer



Junior Matt Krack

## Fischer, Krack,



Sophomore E. W. Scott stays ahead of the competition.





Coach George Moll check the progress of his runners, while junior Philip Rawley checks to see if anyone's gaining on him.









Junior Justin Mayer

Junior John Werner

Sophomore David Farmer

Senior John Moore

# Farmer lead the pack



Cross Country: (front row) Scott Mayer, Ben Smyth, Luke Angermeier, A.J. Hyde, E.W. Scott; (second row) Gary Fischer, Matt Krack, Brandon Nord, Joe Mayer, Brad Angermeier, coach George Moll; (third row) Andy Bradley, John Moore, Brian Steinkamp, Jeff Fischer, Justin Mayer, Curt Sills.



Gary Fischer and Matt Krack lead the way.

# Cross Country

The girls Cross Country team had an outstanding season, finishing with a 59-26 record.

The team also came in third in the city and third in the conference.

Kristi Niemeier and Jenny Farmer were both named to the All-City and All-Conference teams.

In the Sectionals, the team placed fourth, which advanced it to the Regionals. There, Jenny, who got stronger as the season progressed, placed sixth and Kristi finished ninth. That showing qualified the two girls for the Semistate.

Senior Erin Smyth received the Knights of Columbus award and Kristi was awarded Most Improved Runner.



Junior Kristi Niemeier



Freshman Jenny Farmer



Senior Erin Smyth comes across the finish line in a race at USI.



Sticking together in a race are Wildcats Angie VanNess, Sarah Jost, Laura Elsner, Laura Reising, Lorna Fischer and Katie Faraone.

#### Niemeier and Farmer star



Cross Country: (front row) Amy Martin, Angie VanNess, Erin Smyth, Andrea Luigs, Kim Herr, Kristi Niemeier: (second row) Sarah Jost, Christie Ulrich. Leanne Bauer, Beth Ritzert, Heidi Tenbarge, Laura Reising, Jenny Farmer; (third row) coach Allison Yancey, Laura Elsner, Lorna Fischer, Tracy Reising, Katie Faraone, coach George Moll.





LEFT: Kristi Niemeier and Jenny Farmer had a lot of races where they ran neck and neck. ABOVE: The girls team had a way of relaxing before a race.

# Soccer

# Boys reach Sectional final

The boys had a great ending to their season as well as a great first game.

They played perennial powerhouse Memorial the first game of the season. The Cats shocked everybody when they battled to a 1-1 tie. Neil Kassenbrock scored the big goal.

The Cats had a season record of 6-8-4, but managed to make it to the champsionship game of the Sectionals before losing to Central 2-1. Sergio Gomez scored Mater Dei's only goal.

It was the last soccer game for seniors Nathan Smither, also selected to the all-conference team, fore Rice, Brandon Tenbarge and Adam Keeneth. Mater Dei graduate Brad Schultheis was the varsity coach. The reserve team had two wins under coach John Bordfeld.







Sophomore Neil Kassenbrock takes the ball past his opponent.



LEFT: Freshman Cory Meuth sets the ball.
ABOVE: Nathan Smither takes a break.



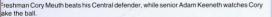
Freshman Cory Meuth steals the ball.



Varsity Soccer: (front row) Nick Knight Brandon Tenbarge. Jason Kirchoff, Chris. Austin, Cory Meuth, Grea Rice, Sergio Gomez, Tony Paul. Tom Traylor: (second row) coach Brad Schultheis, Kurt Wildeman, Nathan Smither, Adam Keeneth, Andy Mazzier, Ryan Hayden, Paul Borries, Brian Knapp, Neil Kassenbrock, coach John Bordfeld.









unior Andy Mazzier takes the kick.



In practice, Kurt Wildeman, Neil Kassenbrock and Sergio Gomez show off their bodies.



Junior Nick Knight sets up the ball.

# THE CATS' 1-1 TIE WITH POWERFUL MEMORIAL WAS THE SHOCKER OF THE SEASON



Senior Adam Keeneth and sophomore Neil Kassenbrock fight for the ball against a Memorial player.



Brandon Tenbarge heads the ball as Adam Keeneth, Neil Kassenbrock, and Cory Meuth watch.

Reserve soccer: (front row) Donald Reising, Brian Luigs, Nick Adler, Jeff Woehler, Gerard Wildeman, John Straus, Matt Walker, Joe Traylor, and Kurt Messersmith; (second row) coach John Bordfeld, Rob Rheinlander, Scott Rheinlander, Derek Amundson, Tom Traylor, Craig Fehrenbacher and Blair Borries.



# Soccer

#### Ko, Weinzapfel honored



Senior Sherry Alvey kicks the ball away from a Castle defender.



Seniors Erin Zenthoefer, Missy Eppler, Amy Weber, Sherry Alvey, and Julie Ko pose before their last game.

The girls wound up with a 7-6-3 record, but still the season was somewhat of a disappointment. They had higher goals.

The girls started their season off strong with two close games against the #4 ranked Memorial Tigers. The first game was a 3-2 loss.

The girls played hard. However, injuries soon took their toll. Amy Weber had a broken foot, while Erin Mills had 10 stitches on her forehead.

Still there were bright spots. Senior back Julie Ko (four goals, 11 assists) made second-team All-State, while junior Krista Weinzapfel received honorable mention All-State.

Senior Erin Zenthoefer was honored with the Kiwanis Award.



Senior Amy Weber watches warm-up while injured.



Casi Jost and the Memorial player are not really dancing.







Varsity Soccer: (front row) Sarah Wright, Becky Oliver, Erin Mills, Ashley Stansberry, Jessica Freeman, Julie Ko, Amanda Bailey, Sherry Alvey, Amy Weber; (second row) assistant coach Tom Williams, Stephanie Moore, Allison Townsend, Cari Miller, Kathy Little, Krista Weinzapfel, Christy Regel, Jennifer Schili, Missy Eppler, Casi Jost, Erin Zenthoefer, coach Charlie Arnold.



The soccer team is recognized during Spirit Week.

ABOVE: Senior Erin Zenthoefer gives an elbow in the head to a Castle player. BELOW: Juniors Christy Regel and Jennifer Schili smile for the camera.







Reserve Soccer: (front row) Julie Fischer; (second row) Jennifer Vick, Joceyln Gibson, Deidre Messmer, Amanda Inkentrandt, Kortney Weber, Emily Steinback, Jennifer Moll: (third row) Julie Moll, Dana Kemper, Heather Bennet, Andria Haton, Evelyn Rexing, Mary Reddington, Wendy Wigginton, coach Tom Williams.



OP LEFT: Junior Allison Townsend goes for the ball against a Castle player.

ABOVE: Junior Amanda Bailey guards her opponent ightly while keeping her eye on the ball.



Junior Jessica Freeman challenges a Castle player for the ball.

## We're fired up and ready

M.D.S.
We're fired up and ready
Our team is alive
We're ready to go
We're ready to fight
F-I-G-H-T ..... Tonight



Freshmen: (front row) Kerri Vowels and Jessica Butler; (second row) Stephanie Wargel, Heather Knapp, Hollie Morrow and Natalie Shetler.



Cheerleaders come together at their Christmas party.



Senior Jona Farthing



Seniors Jona Farthing, Jill Goedde, and Monica Weber have fun with Willy the Wildcat (Nick Dixon) at a football game.



Ann Weber. That's her sister to the right.





Varsity and Reserve Cheerleaders stick a mount during a pep assembly. LEFT: Varsity Cheerleaders: (front row) Jill Goedde, Julie Waller, Ann Weber, Sarah Werner; (second row) Jona Farthing, Becky Shetler, and Monica Weber.

BELOW: Reserve Cheerleaders: Julie Buedel, Brianna Cox, Rebecca Pictor, Stefanie Goedde, Kristi Winternheimer, and Stefani Reidford (not pictured).





Monica Weber. That's her sister to the left.



Cheerleaders display their run through for the football team.

## Wrestling —

## All MD squads finish undefeated

Mater Dei's wrestling team established new records while finishing the 1995-96 season as undefeated state champions in the individual competition and the first-ever dual meet championship. The Mat Cats were the defending state champs. It was the school's third state crown.

In the process, the Mat Cats also captured their 34th city title and their 22nd SIAC crown. They went on to take the Sectionals for the 25th time, Regionals for the 18th time, and Semistate for the 11th time.

Coach Mike Goebel also was honored as the National and Indiana's coach of the year.

To make sure the strong tradition continues, the reserve team ended with an 18-0 record. Coach Randy Helfrich's national record for dual meets in now 266-0 over 18 seasons. The freshman squad had a 5-0 record.

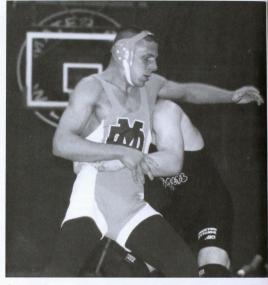
Mater Dei's great post-season run began by winning the Sectional with 282 points and sending all 14 wrestlers to the Regional -- both new state records. Mater Dei then won the Castle Regional by qualifying all 14 wrestlers for Semistate (another state record) and scoring an all-time high of 266 points.

The Mat Cats established another state standard by qualifying 11 wrestlers from the Seymour Semistate for the IHSAA state finals and scoring a record 233 points.

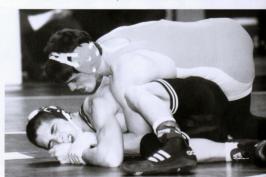
The state finals in Indianapolis proved just as exciting as Mater Dei placed seven wrestlers in the top five places of their respective weight classes. Senior Nick Mayer capped the weekend by winning the state title in the 160-pound class and finishing his season undefeated.

At state, the Wildcats recorded 97 points (two shy of the all-time record). The following weekend at Southport High School in Indianapolis, the Cats pulled off the state's first-ever dual meet championship with a 32-21 victory over No. 3-ranked New Castle. To advance to the title match, the Cats defeated No. 4 Penn, 49-7, and No. 2 Bellmont, 36-18.

"The heart of this team and the greatness of this team will live on for a long time," coach Goebel said.

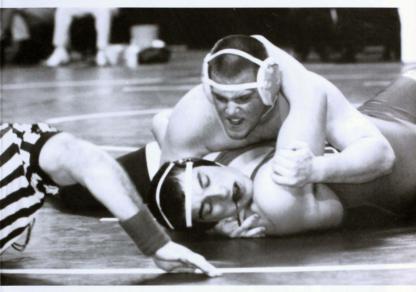


Senior Dan Goebel works for an escape. Dan had a 30-11 record.



Senior Kevin Head placed third at state and recorded 42 wins and 2 losses.

## Mat Cats win it all ... again



Senior Matt Voelker squeezes his opponent. Matt finished 5th at state and had a season record of 36-10.









ABOVE LEFT: State champ Nick Mayer likes to wrestle from the bottom. ABOVE: Freshman Dan Jankowski had his hand raised a lot. He wound up with 37 wins and 6 losses.

LEFT and RIGHT: Senior Todd Kite was always determined. He had 34 wins and 6 losses.

THE BES





LEFT: Brothers Scott and Greg Schaefer show their Mater Dei pride with the dual meet state championship trophy.

ABOVE: Senior Roger Nurrenbern uses his strength. He had plenty in compiling 33 wins.



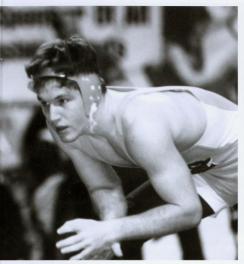
Coach Mike Goebel yells encouragement to his wrestler.

RIGHT: Senior Matt Boehman digs his left elbow in his opponent. Matt won 29 times in his first year of high school wrestling.



The varsity wrestling team cheers a teammate on at state.





Senior Joe Armentano is an intimidating force. He had to be to win 30 matches.



Sophomore Greg Schaefer (ABOVE) and senior brother, Scott (BELOW), always had guys on their back. They each had 40 wins during the season.



Sophomore Brandon Boots escapes in this victory, one of 34.





ABOVE: Senior Brad Turner is ready to make a move. He made a lot of them in winning 27 matches.

BELOW: The Mater Dei crowd at Southport is really into it.





Wrestling Team: (front row) Greg Schaefer, Dan Jankowski, Kevin Head, Scott Schaefer, Brad Turner, Roger Nurenbern, Brandon Boots, Dee Armentano, Joe Mayer, 1904 Matt Boehman, Matt Voelker, Mike Schroeder, Dan Goebel, Nick Mayer, Todd Kite, Nick Miller, (third row) Curtis VanNess, Mike Head, James Whitney, Tim Scott, Chad Schenk, John Werner, Mike Bishop, Kris Schnur, John Helfrich; (fourth row) Roger Wilderman, Jeremy Hermann, Matt Walker, Adam Siemers, Tom Jankowski, Jeremy Kiesel, Rob Mallory, Heath Stewart, Jason Like, B.J. Hauke; (fifth row) Jeff Elpers, Chris Waelde, John Reis, Scott Miller, Adam Raben, Chad Martin, James Will, Josh Hillenbrand, Nick Adler; (sixth row) Ryan King, Tony Paul, Josh Reising, Joe Lamble, Tony Unfried, John Rudisill, Josh Sandwell, David Hisch, Scott Owen; (seventh row) P.J. McDonald, Shawu Lewis.





ABOVE: Mater Dei wrestlers walk around the arena for the opening ceremonies at State in Indianapolis.

ABOVE RIGHT: Mr. Goebel expresses his feelings toward the team and the events that took place this season.

RIGHT: The team is honored for winning the state title.



# Nick Mayer, the undefeated state champ; how sweet it is



IBOVE: Senior Nick Mayer shows his opponent who's boss. ABOVE RIGHT: Nick Mayers s awarded his championship medal. BELOW: Thanks go to the Matmaids for the "GOOD UCK" poster.



Mater Dei's Nick Mayer, the most unlikely 160 pound wrestler in the field at 6-foot-5, had an undefeated season with a 43-0 record. He captured the individual state title by defeating Derek Miller from Eastside with a 3-1 decision in overtime. Coach Mike Goebel said, "Nick's win, to go out undefeated, was really the icing on the cake. It wouldn't have been the same without a champion."



NELOW: Roger Nurrenbern, Joe Armentano, Nick Mayer, Brad Turner, and Todd Kite display ne plaque for winning the state team title. RIGHT: Nick Mayer leaps into assistant coach tandy Helfrich's arms for a championship hug.





## Basketball Girls win city, SIAC

### Natalie Glaser is All-Metro again

The girls basketball team finished the season with an impressive 16-3 record and captured the city and SIAC crowns in the process.

For the second consecutive year, Natalie Glaser was selected to the All-Metro first team. Jessica Kiefer was named to the second team, and Julie Ko and Jill Spahn were named honorable mention.

Glaser, who signed a letter of intent early to play for St. Louis University, led the team with 19.2 points per game. She also averaged 10.2 rebounds per game, 4.2 assists and 3.1 steals.

The 6-3 Kiefer was next with 8 points per game, 7 rebounds and 6 blocks. Despite a knee injury suffered in the early season, senior Molly Sandwell recovered enough to contribute to the team's success. Ko and Spahn also played vital roles as seniors, as did another senior. Andrea Boots.

Their season ended sooner than they had hoped with a devastating 45-44 loss to Bosse in the first round of the Sectionals. Still, it was another banner year for the girls and head coach Ernie Lovell.



Molly Sandwell stands with her parents on Senior Night.



The Cats have a discussion.

### 16-3

We	They
43	Gibson Southern36
57	North 49
34	Bosse44
55	Boonville,49
52	Reitz37
63	S. Vermillion29
68	Mt. Vernon59
56	North48
28	North Posey49
49	Bosse41
54	Central43
43	Harrison31
60	Southridge52
44	Central33
71	Memorial43
45	Carmi42
61	Castle57
68	South Spencer28
44	Bosse45



Julie Ko brings it down court against Memorial.

Alisha Goedde sets up a play.



Junior Jessica Kiefer demonstrates perfect form on her free throw.





Senior Natalie Glaser goes up for two more points.



Ernie Lovell, head coach for four years, was named Coach of the Year for the 1995 season . As a result, he coached an All-Star team in the spring of 1996.



Juile Ko battles for the loose ball, and as usual, came up with it.



The Wildcats stop a Bosse player in her tracks with their great defense.



Molly Sandwell grabs a rebound in Sectionals.



Natalie Glaser takes the ball to the basket.







A rebound battle is intense.



Jill Spahn takes a shot against Bosse.



Varsity Basketball: (front row) Jill Spahn, Andrea Boots. Alisha Goedde. Jonelle Reitman, Natalie Emge: (back row) head coach Ernie Lovell, Julie Ko, Molly Sandwell, Jessica Kiefer. Natalie Glaser. Brianne Lemberg, and coach Kathy Schreiber.



Reserve Basketball: (front row) Jamie Alstadt, Natalie Emge, Angela Luigs, Audrey Hinderliter, Julie Fischer; (back row) head coach Ernie Lovell, Amanda Schenk, Rachel Schenk, Theresa Adler, Jill Bartlett, Lynn Spahn, Brianne Lemberg, reserve coach Kathy Schreiber, and manager Angela Paulson.



RIGHT: Julie Ko makes another free throw.

LEFT:Natalie Glaser stands proudly with her parents during Senior Night.



### Basketball

## Turning the corner



Nick Knight and the Cats warm up before the game.

MD 57	North	67
MD 57	Vincennes Rivet	73
MD 53	Mt. Vernon	76
MD 69	New Harmony	61
MD 49	North Posey	69
MD 48	Memorial	62
MD 64	Wood Memorial	52
MD 65	North	73
MD 39	Memorial	59
MD 62	Boonville	80
MD 58	Castle	57
MD 46	Gibson Southern	69
MD 59	Reitz	60
MD 52	Tecumseh	64
MD 74	Day School	58
MD 51	Harrison	88
MD 55	Wash. Catholic	42
MD 64	South Knox	62
MD 44	Bosse	102
MD 64	Central	89
MD 58	Central	78

The basketball team doubled its wins this searon to six and was more competitive. At one time in the Holiday Classic, the Cats led North by nine before losing in overtime. Mater Dei also played arch rival Reitz close, but lost on a last-second shot.

The leading scorers were junior guard Kurt Wildeman with a nine point average, junior forward Mike Halbig with 8.5, and sophomore guard Chris Maynard with 8.5.

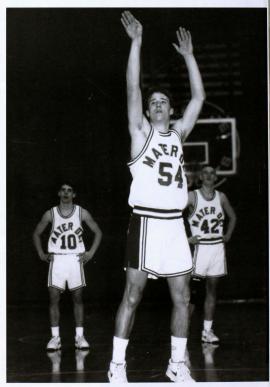
Mike Halbig and Chris Koester led the

way on the boards with over 100 rebounds. The future for coach Dave Wathen's team looks brighter.

The freshmen finished with a 12-6 record and the reserves with an 11-7 record.

With the combination of the returning varsity sophomores and juniors and upcoming talent, the basketball program looks like it is turning the corner.

The Cats' strongest asset next season will be experience.



Mike Halbig shows his perfect form at the free-throw line.



Varsity Basketball: (front row) Lucas Goebel, Tom Traylor, Chris Maynard, Nick Knight, and Kurt Wildeman; (second row) Jeff Fischer, John Moore, Chris Koester, Justin Mayer, Mike Halbig, and coach Dave Wathen.







ABOVE LEFT: Senior Chris Koester fights for his position.

ABOVE: 1, 2, 3, TEAM!

LEFT: The defense steps it up against North.



Senior Jeff Fischer shows how it's done.



Junior Justin Mayer blocks a shot against North.



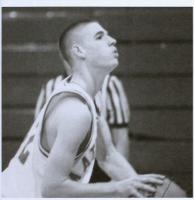
Chris Maynard makes a new friend ... the floor.



Junior Kurt Wildeman dribbles down court for two.



Reserve Basketball: (front row) Dan Adler, Andy Woehler, Adam Schiff, J.D Wargel, Gerard Wildeman, Benny Faraone; (back row) coach Roger Sills, Jon Straus, Ike Miller, Neil Kassenbrock, Dustin Lannert, Ryan Hayden, Dustin Macke, Brian Bosse.





LEFT: Justin Mayer shoots a free-throw. ABOVE: Mike Halbig makes a pass under a flock of Eagles.



Freshman Basketball: (front row) Josh Hodge, Barry Steinkamp, Chris Austin, Luke Angermeier, Philip Beck, Kevin Folz, Nathan Schiff; (back row) Adam Schiff; JD. Wargel, Dustin Macke, Benny Faraone, Ike Miller, Kevin Spahn, Curt Sills, Angly Woehler, coach Tom Clark.

## **Dance Cats**





ABOVE and RIGHT: The Dance Cats prove they are with the beat in the pompon routine during an assembly.

ABOVE RIGHT: The dancers show their sparkling smiles in their new uniforms during one of their many halftime basketball performances.

Worth noting: Sarah Townsend, a 1994 Mater Dei graduate, choreographed the routines. Mrs. Julia Kunkler sponsored the Dance Cats.





The Dance Cats: (front row) Anna Hoang, Stacey Euler, Jamie Schmitt, Sarah Koressel; (middle row) Melissa Greathouse, Jenny Porter, Elizabeth Bailey, Lori Bittner, Kristi Niemeier, Amy Frrey, Leanne Bauer; (back row) Alicia Wilderman, Sara Acton, Andrea Auth, Stephanie Rexing, Rebecca Weis, Jennie Feulner, Kelly Sergesketter, Angle Spahn, Jessica Weis, Mrs. Julia Kunkler.

## It's a dance thang





Kristi Niemeier paints a student's face with Mater Dei spirit. Jessica Weis, Jamie Schmitt, and Angie Spahn persuade Mater Dei students to buy baked goods. These were a few of the Dance Cat fund-raisers.

# Matmaids Behind every great guy, there is a gal



Matmaids: (front row) Stephanie Goedde, Brianna Cox, Jessica Freeman, Angela VanNess, Amy Weber, Christy Unfried, Ann Weber, Erin Zenthoefer, Lisa Baumgart, Sherry Alvey, Jenni Folz, Casi Jost, Allison Townsend; (middle row) Jessica Martin, Erica Owen, Amy Lehman, Erin Smyth, Kim Herr, Monica Weber, Andrea Luigs, Michelle Blankenberger, Jessica Elpers, Elizabeth Bailey, Tina Elpers, Jessica Cummings; (back row) Julie Schapker, Jill Kaiser, Jennie Fuelner, Molly Sandwell, Rebecca Weis, Melissa Fehrenbacher, Andrea Boots, Amanda Bailey, Erin Mills, Christy Goebel, Krista Weinzapfel.

## Baseball Mazzier hits over .450



Freshman shortstop Adam Schiff (ABOVE) and sophomore second baseman Chris Maynard give the Cats strength up the middle for a long time to come. Here, Adam crosses the bag for a double-play attempt against North.



Sophomore Chris Maynard lays down a perfect bunt.

In a season that produced 9 wins against 19 losses, there were some bright spots. Junior Andy Mazzier was one of the city's top hitters and the Cats' leader with a .452 batting average. He also led the team in RBIs with 19.

Second in hitting were sophomore Chris Maynard with a .354 average, followed by seniors Jake Martin with .323 and Kent Halbig with .300. Kent, the Cats' leadoff hitter, was second in RBIs with 15 and led the team in stolen. bases with 13. He was thrown out one time, and that was on a pitchout.

In the pitching department, seniors Lucas Goebel and Aaron Ruggles and sophomore Ryan Scheu led the way with two victories apiece.



Senior left-fielder Kent Halbig stretches out before stepping up to the plate against Bosse.

Junior first baseman Kurt Wildeman tries to nail a runner at the plate.





Varsity Baseball: (front row) John Koressel, Ryan Scheu, Rob Mallory, Aaron Ruggles, Adam Schiff, Chris Maynard, Kurt Wildeman, Brandon Nord; (second row) Chris Kueber. Brandon Muensterman, Lucas Goebel, Jake Martin, Andy Mazzier, Nick Knight, Kent Halbig. Dustin Lannert.







Senior pitchers Brandon Muensterman (LEFT), Aaron Ruggles (CENTER), and Lucas Goebel (RIGHT).



The Wildcats watch the action from the dugout.



Senior catcher Jake Martin prepares to improve on his batting average. Jake won the team's Kiwanis Award.

### VARSITY RECORD (9-19)

<u>WINS</u>	SCORE
Carmi	6-3
Tecumseh	25-3
Forest Park	8-3
Pike Central	10-8
Reitz Reitz	1-0 2-1
Mt. Carmel	10-1
Castle	10-9
Mt. Vernon	10-8

### Future of MD baseball looking good

## Reserve team takes the SIAC crown

The Mater Dei reserve team, led by coach Darin Knight, ended its season with a bang.

The team was younger than usual, with 16 freshmen and only five sophomores.

They defeated Reitz 13-3, Bosse 12-6, and Memorial 4-2 to win the SIAC tournament.

The team's overall record was 11-6.



Josh Hodge fires the ball in from left field.





LEFT: Sophomore first baseman Chris Droste prepares to make the catch. ABOVE: Sophomore. pitcher Brian Pone reaches for his next strike. RIGHT: Batter up! Sophomore, center fielder. Matt Vowels keeps his eye on the ball.



Reserve baseball: (front row) Chris Austin, Philip Beck, Ike Miller, Nathan Schiff, Adam Tenbarge, Brian Luigs; (second row) Kevin Folz, Andy Woehler, Matt Vowels, Josh Hodge, Chris Droste, Tony Unfried, Kevin Spahn; (back row) J.D. Wargel, Curt Sills, Dustin Macke, Andy Fischer, Brian Pope, Nick



## Softball Sectional champs

When Mater Dei defeated Reitz for the Sectional championship, the newspaper writer called it the stuff of legends. The Panthers had a 4-0 lead after five innings. Freshman April Altstadt kept Mater Dei in the game with perfect relief pitching.

Then it happened. Pinch-hitter Casi Jost triggered the scoring drive with a base hit. More hits came from Kristi Niemeier, Michelle Blankenberger, Jonelle Rietman, and Christy Goebel

Finally, Jenni Folz's long sacrifice fly scored Goebel to give coach Tom Rupert's Mater Dei team the lead and the championship. The final score was 6-4. The Cats, who finished 10-12, made it to the championship by routing North Posey 12-1 behind ace pitcher Alicia Rupert. Alicia started the championship game too, but wore down from pitching so many innings.

North defeated the Cats 4-0 in the Regionals.





Alicia Rupert is the staff's ace pitcher.

The team ends another inning with a cheer.







ABOVE: Senior Abby Davids looks into the dugout for the sign.

ABOVE LEFT and LEFT: Senior Jenni Folz and her teammates loosen up before a game.



Coach Rupert guides junior Michelle Blankenberger home.



Angela Luigs, Angela Payton, and Julie Fischer cheer the Cats on.



Andrea Boots gets ready for whatever comes her way.



Junior Jonelle Rietman



Freshman Heather Altstadt



Junior Jessica "Big Jess" Kiefer



Junior Kristi Niemeier



Varsity Softball: (front row) April Altstadt, Amy Frey, Jonelle Rietman, Kristi Niemeier, Jami Altstadt, Kendra Schmitt; (second row) Lynn Spahn, Heather Altstadt, Abby Davids, Jenni Folz. Alicia Rupert, Michelle Blankenberger; (third row) Angela Paulson, Brianne Lemberg, Casi Jost, Jessica Kiefer, Andrea Boots, Christy Goebel, Jessica Elpers, Manager Monica Weber. Coach Tom Rupert.



Reserve Softball: (front row) Meaghan Topper, Teresa Lutz, Angela Luigs, Julie Fischer, Michelle Zirkelbach: (second row) Theresa Adler, Julie Hart, Terra Muensterman, Jamie Tepool, Angela Payton, Rebecca Pictor. Amanda Schenk.

## TRACK YOUNGER AND BETTER

The girls and boys track season showed there are better things to come.

Coach Gries and coach Strehl pushed the girls to their maximum potential, sending three girls to Regionals: senior Mary Shepard (discus), sophomore Stephanie Moore (mile), and freshman Jenny Farmer (2-mile). As coach Strehl put it, "You know you have had a great season when every girl has improved times and distances!"

The boys team had a little of everything leadership, fun, strength, and talent.

Coach Nolan sent four runners to Regionals: senior Jeff Fischer, sophomore David Farmer, and juniors Brandon Christian and Matt Farmer.

Both boys and girls track teams placed high in the City track meet at Central Stadium. The boys were fourth with 69 points, while the girls placed fifth with 57 points.

This was one of the best years the track teams have had in a long time.



Senior Tony Scheller concentrates on throwing the shot.





Donald Reising leaps forward after the gun.



LEFT: Kim Alvey has just gotten the baton from Natalie Emge.

ABOVE: Rachelle Knapp crosses the finish line.



Jenny Farmer and Amy Krack warm up before the meet.



Girls Track: (front row) Jennifer Harris, Mary Smither, Jennifer Farmer, Kimberly Eickhoff, Kim Herr, Mary Shepard, Erin Smyth, Sara Knapp, Amy Krack, Deidre Messmer, and Jamie Schmitt; (second row) coach Strehl, Audrey Hinderliter, Christina O'Neal, Stephanie Moore, Natalie Emge, Julie Mottgen, Andrea Werner, Krista Dausman, Amanda Uhde, Laura Elsner, and coach Gries; (third row) Tracey Reising, Dana Kemper, Kalie Faraone, Chrissy Wicks, Stephanie Stonecipher, Rachelle Knapp, Shanna Hinderliter, Amy Martin, Kim Alvey, and Julie Helmerich.



Boys Track: (front row) Daniel Ward, Matt Farmer, Ben Smyth, David Farmer, Brian Knapp, and Bryan Schmitt; (second row) Mike Schroeder, Jason Hartz, Tom Traylor, Jeff Fischer, Donald Reising, Jason McCord, and Matt Krack; (third row) coach Nolan, Benny Faraone, Derek Amundson, Dan Schrader, Brandon Christian, Tony Scheller, Gary Fischer, and assistant coach Collicott.

BELOW: Senior Mary Shepard is determined to throw her best.





Jeff
Fischer
and
junior
Matt
Krack
are two
of the
best
distance
runners
in the
area.

Senior

## Golf

## Cats win city crown



Athletic Director Joe Dippel makes a city title presentation to Andy Effinger.

The golf team did something no Mater Dei team has done in 31 years: It won the city golf championship at Helfrich Hills.

Coach Charlie Braun's squad did it with Andy Effinger shooting a 79 and Kevin Weinzapfel an 83, which put each of them on the All-City team.

Coach Braun said that because the city teams were so even, he wouldn't have been surprised if his team had finished sixth, but he wasn't surprised it won either. "I knew they could do it."

Dave Beyerstedt and Matt Williamson each shot an 84. Kevin Baehl also played in the meet, where each team counted the four lowest scores. Mater Dei won with 330 strokes; North was second with 337.





Junior Matt Williamson tees off.



Junior Kevin Baehl tees off.



Senior David Beyerstedt makes a chip.



ABOVE: Greg Raben played on the golf team four years. RIGHT: Jason Feldhaus tallies up the score for Eric Pund and Dave Lottes.







Andy Effinger chips up on No. 18.

Kevin Weinzapfel has a tricky sidehill putt on No. 18.



Golf team: (front row) Kevin Weinzapfel, Kevin Baehl, Aaron Pugh, Dave Lottes, Matt Williamson, Dave Beyerstedt, Andy Effinger, Greg Raben, Jason Feldhaus, Nick Schapker, Eric Pund; (second row) Daniel Werner, Josh Hillenbrand, Luke Angermeier, Adam Raben, Peter Helfrich, Josh Hedderich, Ahren Baumgart, Adam Schnarr, Steve Jost, Greg Rice, Joe Ramsbey; (third row) coach Charlie Braun, Kenny Titzer, Dan Adler, Michael Koch, Andy Bradley, Chris Koester, John Moore, Chad Schenk, Johathan Funke, E. W. Scott, and Brad Angermeier.

## Tennis

## A year for rebuilding



ABOVE: Vanessa Jansen, # 1 doubles.

RIGHT: Christina Mueth, # 3 singles.

BELOW: Kari Nurrenbern, #2 singles.









Libby Schenk, #1 doubles.

After winning the Mount Vernon Sectional in '95, coach Becky Larson's tennis team faced a rebuilding year in '96. Their record then of 4 wins and 9 losses was not a surprise, although in several cases the losses were decided by the thinnest of margins. On a more optimistic note, most of the varsity players will be back and the reserve team finished second in the city.



Tennis team: (front row) Kari Nurrenbern, Kelly Sergesketter. Christina Mueth; (second row) Julie Waller, Christy Ulrich, Vanessa Jansen, Libby Schenk: (third row) Holly Kissinger, Brittny Wannemuehler, Mikaelah Becher. Anna Hoang. Angie Reckelhoff, coach Becky Larson, and Sherry Alvey.



Christy Ulrich, # 2 doubles.



Kelly Sergesketter, #1 singles.



Julie Waller, #2 doubles.

## **ORGANIZATIONS**

## Students govern Mater Dei-ville



The elected officials of Mater Dei-ville.

Appointed officials: Comptroller: Erin Zenthoefer, Clerk Affiliate: Alicia Rupert; assistant, Andrea Luigs. Public Relations: Christy Unfried, Kim Eickhoff, Parks & Recreation: Jill Goedde. Paula Petrig, Anne Aldenderfer.Fire Chief: Nick Mayer. Police Chief: Jacob Martin. Defense Attorneys: Troy Blazier, Jeff Fischer, Dan Rexing. **Prosecuting Attorneys:** Abby Davids, Blake Shumate, Greg Raben.



Mayor Anthea Knapp Clerk Monica Weber Judge Erin Smyth

FRESHMEN: President - Dan Jankowski; Vice President - Tony Unfried; Secretary - Angela Luigs; Treasurer - Brianne Lemberg.

Freshman Homeroom Representatives - Jill Bartlett, Julie Fischer, Ryan King, Adam Raben, Jamie Schmitt.

**SOPHOMORES:** President, Meg Liffick; vice president, Natalie Emge; secretary, Emily Knapp; treasurer, Katie Faraone.

Sophomore Homeroom Reps - Erin Goebel, Brandon Boots, Robby Mallory, Christy Ulrich, Jill Spaetti; council person at large, Sara Werner.

JUNIORS: President, Alex Zenthoefer, vice president, Melissa Fehrenbacher; secretary, Nicole Raben; treasurer, Jennifer Schili.

Junior Homeroom Reps - Casi Jost, Heather Alstadt, Alisha Goedde, Erin Mills, Christy Regel, Ann Weber; council person at large, Libby Schenk.

SENIORS: President, Andrea Boots; vice president, Amy Lehman; secretary, Blake Shumate; treasurer, Sara Knapp, Senior Homeroom Reps. - Julie Ko, Abby Davids, Andy Effinger, Kris Schnur, Rebecca Weis; council persons at large, Todd Kite and Matt Boehman.



### MAKING THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE



Mayor Anthea Knapp gives her inaugural address. Television anchorman Mike Blake also spoke to the students.



Clerk Monica Weber, inaugurated earlier in the day, gives the oath of office to Judge Erin Smyth.



ABOVE: Kim Eickhoff works at the Student Council clean-up in May.



RIGHT: Junior girls clean up the courtyard in front of the gym.



Students take the oath of office.





## Band marches to a new beat



Senior Drum Major Adam Bigge.

If you looked at the Marching Wildcats last season, you would notice that many things were different.

There was a new band director, Mr. Tom Mace, who brought a new life and spirit to the band. There were also several new instruments purchased by the band boosters and fund-raisers.

The biggest change was in the look of the band. They had brand-new uniforms. Everyone was very excited when the uniforms finally arrived three contests into the season.

The band consisted of only 51 members, six of which were seventh- and eighth-graders from the feeder program.

Though small, they held their heads high when winning one first-place award, one second-place, one third-place and one Best Drum Major captain award during the regular contest season.

The Wildcats also earned Division 1 ratings at District and Regional contests. In addition to competition, the Wildcats participated in the Fall Festival and Christmas parades and performed at all home football games.

To prepare for the season, the Cats practiced at band camp at Resurrecton School in August and three days a week once school started.

Embellishing the band's performances was the color guard, under the direction of Mark Fox.

Many band members also participated in the

school's pep band, jazz band, concert band, and percussion ensemble. Greg Martin directed the ensemble.

Another big part of the music department was the choir. Linda Palmer was their teacher.



Junior Drum Major Amy Frey.





LEFT: Freshman April Schmitt tries on her new uniform. ABOVE: Juniors Theresa Webster (left) and Andrea Auth are in a feisty mood before a contest.











TOP LEFT: Senior Jill Goedde, senior Missy Greathouse, and freshman Anna Ward practice after school.

TOP MIDDLE: Senior Lauren Brady and freshman Margaret Halbig concentrate on their mallet instruments.

TOP RIGHT: Freshman Seth Weber looks to the drum major for guidance during a rehearsal with his electric bass.

ABOVE: The band takes the field in competition at Reitz Bowl.



LEFT: Senior Matt Bohleber plays the snare drum at a football game. ABOVE: Senior Amanda Clayton, junior Amy Frey and senior Jill Goedde enjoy a break at band camp.





LEFT: Freshman Brian Wildeman carries senior Roger Nurrenbern for freshman initiation during band camp.



RIGHT: Seniors Amanda Clayton (left) and Jill Goedde (right) play for their parents on Senior Night.





Marching Band: (front row) Roger Nurrenbern, Matt Bohleber, Matt Schenk, Blake Goedde, Adam Bigge, Amy Frey, Ryan Muensterman, John Verkamp, Nick Helmer; (second row) Director Tom Mace, Joanne Kirsch, Stephanie Ward, Charlene Kirsch, Sarah Kempf, Mindy Schenk, Maria Kirsch, Angie Seib, Angie Sotolongo, Linda Martin, Paula Petrig, Jan Bickett, Jenny Porter, Jennifer Sotolongo; (third row) Margaret Halbig, Andrea Auth, Theresa Webster, Jennifer Tornatta, Anna Ward, April Schmitt, Charlie Stoltz, Tricia Schenk, Vanessa Jansen, Sarah Koressel, Lindsey Sotolongo, Natalie Rasler, Meaghan Topper, Valerie Murray, Mike Sotolongo: (top row) Brian Wildeman, Alysa Bigge, Donna Adams, Roxie Helmer, Connie Petrig, Amanda Clayton, Paul Stoltz, Keith Wildeman, Jay Cartwright, Chris Tornatta, Seth Weber, Jill Goedde, Melissa Greathouse, Kristina Bohleber, Julie Booth, and Lauren Brady.



LEFT: Senior Drum Major Adam Bigge directs the band during practice.



RIGHT: Junior sousaphonist Jay Cartwright plays for the grade schools on a day of recruitment.





The Concert Band welcomes in the Christmas season.





Mr. Tom Mace directs the band during class.

LEFT: Seniors gather after their last Marching Band contest.

The Concert Choir was very active. Under the direction of Linda Palmer, it performed at the Christmas Concert and Spring Concert and competed in district, solo, and ensemble contests. The choir also helped with music during Mass.

Concert Choir (front row):
Dedra Sandefur, Connie
Petrig, Jami Folz, Kris
Kleinschmidt, Jonah Becher,
Steve Jung; (second row)
Christina Mueth, Jennifer
Schmitt, Emily Elpers,
Jessica Butler, Anna
Hutchison, Matt Schmitt,
Tony Scheller; (back row)
Jennifer Ausbrooks, Laura
McGhee, Lori Gries, Meg
Lifflick, Haley Baker, Jared
Burgdorf, and Henry
Hasenour.

## Concert Choir is harmony in action



## Newspaper: The Write Stuff

With Editor Lauren Brady at the helm, The Hi-Lights newspaper did a lot of "Write Stuff."

The staff got plenty of encouragement from their adviser, Mr. Steve Halbig, who returned to Mater Dei after a two-year vacation. Mr. Halbig also is a copy editor at The Courier.

The newspaper tried to blend coverage of the school community with editorials and comments that didn't pull any punches.

At the High School Press Day at the University of Southern Indiana, Lauren won a second-place award for frontpage design.

The judges also had plenty of good things to say about the newspaper.

Some of their comments: "Good people stories"; "good workmanlike headlines"; designis "Clean and modular"; "good view of students' lives"; "I came away with a good feel for what is going on at M.D."









ABOVE LEFT: Mr. Herb Neighbors, principal, discusses block scheduling with the newspaper staff. Becky Oliver takes notes.

ABOVE: Editor Lauren Brady uses the Macintosh, while another computer whiz, Derek Amundson, tries to distract her.

TOP: The president poses with the staff

LEFT: The staff: (in front) Lori Gries, Becky Oliver, Derek Amundson; (in back) Steve Jung, Amanda Bailey, Lauren Brady, and David Beyerstedt.



Mr. Halbig and son Kent, the only guys in yearbook.

## The yearbook crew

After leaving Mater Dei for two years, Mr. Steve Halbig came back to be adviser to the yearbook again.

Co-Editors Erin Zenthoefer and Lori Adler and Photography Editor Monica Weber were the only veterans of this year's class of 20.

• It took a while to learn how to draw a layout and crop pictures, but Mr. Halbig and our editors were patient.

This was a lively group, of mostly senior girls, but somehow they managed to produce a 204-page yearbook. And a darn good one at that!





LEFT: Andrea Luigs gives advice to Becca Weis about how to crop pictures.

ABOVE: Editors Lori Adler and Erin Zenthoefer put the layouts into the computers.

The yearbook staff poses for a picture in the school year's first snowfall.





earbook staff: (front row) Monica Weber, Amy Weber, Lisa Baumgart, Stacey Schmitt, Lori Adler, Andrea Luigs, Andrea Schapker, licole Dressel, Anne Aldenderfer, Lori Bittner; (second row) Becca Weis, Amanda Clayton, Christy Unfried, Molly Sandwell, Kent lalbig, Natalie Glaser, Erin Zenthoefer, Mary Shepard, and Lorrie Head.





ABOVE RIGHT: Molly Sandwell and Lisa Baumgart view negatives on the light able.







## **SPEECH**

#### THE TALK OF THE TOWN



ABOVE: Speech member Katie Ritchie puts words into action. BELOW: Nathaniel Rivers puts his heart into his work.



## Team finishes sixth in state

The Mater Dei speech team capped another great year with a sixth-place finish in the state meet.

Then Jennifer Richardt qualified for Nationals in dramatic interpretation, and Alex Zenthoefer qualified as an alternate in humorous interpretation and did compete.

There's more. The debate team's Stephen Schaefer qualified for Nationals in Congress, and Sam Stephens qualified as alternate in the House of Representatives.

And the icing on the cake. Speech team coach, Mrs. Brenda Donofrio, received the Diamond Key Award from the National Forensic League. Under her instruction, students have earned more than 15,000 points in competition. Fr. Mark Kurzendoerfer was debate and extemp coach.

At state, Niki Hemmer placed 13th in original oratory; Meaghan Topper placed 12th in poetry; Alex Zenthoefer placed 9th in humorous interpretation; and Stephen Schaefer placed 6th in U.S. extemporaneous.

These honors, along with the efforts of state qualifiers Sam Stephens and Matt Williamson, accounted for the 6th-place finish.

More than 50 students competed on the powerhouse speech and debate teams.



ABOVE: Jennifer Richardt gives the team tips during practice. BELOW: Senior Lauren Brady takes her topic seriously or she'll shoot



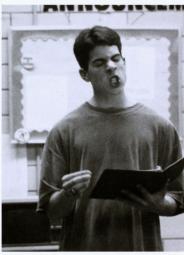




ABOVE and BELOW: Alex Zenthoefer really draws the laughs with his humorous interpretation speeches.



Jennifer Richardt, Stephen Schaefer, Alex Zenthoefer go to Nationals



ABOVE and BELOW: Jason McCord is a master of contorted faces.



RIGHT: Seth Weber does his Monty Python bit.



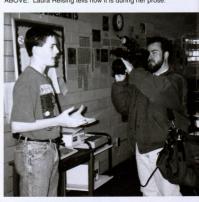


LEFT: Freshman Jessica Butler works on her dramatic Interp.

ABOVE: Laura Reising tells how it is during her prose.



ABOVE: Mrs. Donofrio and Father Mark plan the next strategy. RIGHT: Sam Stephens performs for a local television feature on the Mater Dei speech team.





Speech team: first row: Sarah Kempf, Katie Faraone, Dana Kemper, Julie Helmerich, Michelle Zirkelbach, Charlene Kirsch, Jessica Butler, and Jamie Rexing; second row: Jan Bickett, Stephen Schaefer, Sara Schenk, Jenny Effinger, Emily Elpers, Katie Ritchie, Brittny Wannemuehler, Lori Goedde, Jenny Schmitt, Abby Johnson, Sam Stephens, Valerie Murray; third row: Kevin Baehl, Dan Werner, Peter Stoltz, Brian Knapp, Natalie Rasler, Amanda Uhde, Sarah Scheu, Mikaelah Becher, Lora Stephens, Chris-

tina Ulrich; fourth row: Sara Acton, Roxanne Helmer, Josh Reising, Heather Knapp, Laura Reising, Christina O'Neal, Heather Bennett, Andy Coomes, Ann Weber, Niki Hemmer, Krista Weinzapfel, Lori Gries; fifth row: Meg Liffick, Meaghan Topper, Andy Funke, Matt Williamson, Scott Rheinlander, Seth Weber, Robb Rheinlander, Jason McCord, Alex Zenthoefer, Tracy Flake, Katie Will; sixth row: Vanessa Jansen, Jennifer Richardt, Kerri Vowels, Monica Weber, Lauren Brady, Theresa Webster.



Mrs. Donofrio (RIGHT) critiques Stephen Schaefer (ABOVE) in front of the camera. FARTHER RIGHT: Niki Hemmer speaks her mind.







ABOVE: Christina Ulrich finds that a spot in the cafeteria is perfect for practicing.

## Academic teams turn out super



Seniors Severin Kempf, Tony Scheller, and Matt Bohleber put their heads together to solve a math problem.

## Fine Arts team wins state championship

In the Hoosier Academic Super Bowl Area Competition in April, Mater Dei achieved two first-place finishes and qualified one squad for state competition.

As the topper to the season, the Fine Arts squad of Dena Beyerstedt, Jay Cartwright, and Colleen Corcoran won the state title.

In the area competition, the Fine Arts team outscored all other area schools in all divisions.

Area champions in English were Colleen, Niki Hemmer, Meg Liffick, Tony Scheller, and Krista Weinzapfel. Teachers Rose Rogge and Steve Rode were the coaches.

On the Spell Bowl front, the Mater Dei team also qualified for state by virtue of a third-place finish in area competition. Their spark-plug was Peter Stoltz, who didn't miss any of his nine words, words like vituperative, caballero, and emphysema.





Juniors Ann Weber and Stephen Schaefer concentrate on their question.



ABOVE: Junior Niki Hemmer, sophomore Meg Liffick, and junior Krista Weinzapfel show that competition can be fun.

LEFT: Junior Niki Hemmer watches her opponents closely.



#### ACADEMIC SUPER BOWL

Sitting left: Jay Cartwright, Dena Beverstedt, Colleen Corcoran, Niki Hemmer. Kevin Baehl, and Krista Weinzapfel: sitting right: Ellen Brenner, Sam Stephens, Peter Stoltz. Kerri Vowels, Julie Moll, and Ann Weber: standing: Tony Scheller, Mea Liffick. John A. Werner, Tom Traylor, Kevin Spahn, Brian Knapp, Richard Koester, Stephen Schaefer, and Severin Kempf.



#### HOOSIER SPELL BOWL

Front row: Kristi Wargel, Melissa Greathouse, Kim Eickhoff, Teresa Lutz, and Colleen Corcoran; back row: Barry Cox, Lora Stephens, Niki Hemmer, Kent Halbig, Andy Effinger, Peter Stoltz, and coach Rose Rogge.





FAR LEFT: An
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presents a check to
Mater Dei's state
championship Fine
Arts team. They are
Jay Cartwright, Dena
Beyerstedt, Colleen
Corcoran, and coach
Rose Rogge.

LEFT: Senior Matt Schmitt thinks hard for an answer.

#### Long Live Rock and Roll

Cast

Heather Bennett Jessica Butler **Andy Coomes** Nicole Dressel Jessica Freeman Andy Funke Lori Gries Abby Johnson Jill Kaiser Dana Kemper Charlene Kirsch Maria Kirsch Anthea Knapp Heather Knapp Jason McCord Robb Rheinlander Scott Rheinlander Jennifer Richardt Katie Ritchie Tony Scheller Matt Schmitt Kerri Vowels Monica Weber Seth Weber Becky Will Alex Zenthoefer



Ramona (Jessica Freeman) loses her balance as she does ballet to impress the famous rock-n-roll group Eustice Early and the Early Birds.





ABOVE: Maude (Jill Kaiser) does a cheer to show she should be a member of the Early Birds. Eustice Early (Alex Zenthoefer) and the Gordon Girls watch in embarrassment.

LEFT: Willie (Becky Will) explains the financial trouble the school is in.

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RIGHT: Eustice Early (Alex Zenthoefer) explains to King Kenny Kool (Seth Weber) why he is proud of his hillbilly family. His familly listens with pride.



## Jivin' play rocked the house





LEFT: Officers Thursday (Andy Coomes) and Trench (Heather Bennett) come to arrest the evil Harmionee VanPelt.

ABOVE: The head mistress, Gillian Gordon (Jennifer Richardt), does not believe that Eustice Early (Alex Zenthoefer) has a plan to save Gordon Girls' Academy.



The VanPelts: Prudence (Katie Ritchie), Hughie (Matt Schmitt), Harmionee (Anthea Knapp), and Patience (Heather Knapp) discuss Harmionee's plan to close the academy.



Stretch (Tony Scheller) drinks some of Ma Early's Purely Powerful Transforming Potion to become "a real man of the world."



Harmionee VanPelt (Anthea Knapp) has a change of heart and joins in the rock-n-roll dance. Connie (Nicole Dressel) and Nancy (Jessica Butler) agree, "Long live rock-n-roll" The Gordon Girls' Academy was saved; Eustice and Gillian hooked up; and the Gordon Girls got their concert.

### **National Honor Society**

C.A.T.S.



C.A.T.S. Club: (front row) Tracey Reising, Amy Nally, Stephanie Ward, Michelle Bohleber, Lisa Acton, Erin Zenthoefer, Stephanie Scheller, Jessica Cummings, Jennifer Richardt, Jami Folz, Amy Weber, Sarah Wright, Jamie Tepool, Stephanie Wargel, Katie Keller; (second row) Linda Martin, Lorna Fischer, Sarah Scheu, Dana Kemper, Meaghan Topper, Emily Steinback, Meg Liffick, Katie Faraone, Heather Bennett, Julie Waller, Christina Meuth, Anna Ruggles, Becky Oliver.

National Honor Society: (front row) Becca Weis, Amanda Clayton, Erin Smyth, Anthea Knapp, Jill Goedde; Gecond row) Jenni Folz, Sara Knapp, Amy Lehman, Jill Spahn, Andrea Boots, Kim Eickhoff, Severin Kempf, Lori Adler; (back row) Tony Scheller, Becky Will, Kathy Render, Lauren Brady, Christy Unfried.



## Science Club

## Euchre

## Chess Club



Junior Derek Amundson shows off his killer hand during Euchre Club.



Junior Tom Schaefer makes that difficult decision about what club he wants to join.



ABOVE: Senior Molly Sandwell shares a special moment with a new friend. She did this while on a field trip with the Service Club.

LEFT: Freshmen Angie Payton and Jami Altstadt concentrate on their projects for Christmas during Arts and Crafts Club.

#### Pep Club

### Service Club



Pep Club (front row, left of rail) Jamie Rexing, Christy Goebel, Jessica Freeman, Becky Shetler, Erin Goebel, Jamie Reese, Amanda Inkenbrandt; (front row, right of rail) Christina O'Neal, Lora Stephens, Julie Helmerich; (second row) Ann Weber,Lisa Baumgart, Becky Oliver, Christina Meuth, Julie Waller, Brianna Cox, Nikki Kempf, Tina Elpers, Jessica Elpers, Sarah Werner, Theresa Lutz, Rebecca Pictor, Sara Montgomery; (thir row) Amanda Uhde, Karyn Strange, Anne Aldenderfer, Casi Jost,

Jennifer Schilli, Ashley Stansberry, Stefanie Goedde, Amy Martin, Dedra Sandefur, Kristin Schaefer, Stefani Reidford, Heidi Tenbarge, Becky Miller; (fourth row) Brianne Lemberg, Julie Fischer, Stacey Schmitt, Lori Adler, Christy Regel, Amanda Lee, Lynn Spahn, Lindsey Sotlongo, Julie Buedel, Kristi Winternheimer, Emily Knapp, Beth Ritzert, Liz Vindhurst; (back row) Jessica Butler, Monica Weber, Libby Schenk, Nicole Raben, Allison Townsend, Jill Goedde, Amy Weber.



Service Club: (front row) Lindsey Sotolongo, Amy Butcher, Kristen Masters, Abby Davids, Alicia Rupert, Kim Herr, Monica Weber; (second row) Becky Reising, Michelle Bohleber, Lisa Acton, Karyn Strange, Anne Aldenderfer, Angela VanNess, Kristin Schaefer, Kim Eickhoff, Andrea Werner, Andrea Luigs, Amy Ellert, Emily Steinback, Stacey Euler, Jessica Butler; (third row) Jenny Effinger, A.J. Hyde, Natalie Gilaser, Molly Sandwell, Beth Ritzert, Kris Schnur, Becky Will; Stacey Schmitt. Kathy Render, Lori Adler, Emily Elpers; (fourth row) Kimberty Alvey, Christina Canada, Christina Wicks, Andrea Correa, Mindy Alvey, Theresa Adler, Lynn Spahn, Leanne Bauer, Jill Spaetti, Julie Buedel, Stephanie Rexing, Katie Faraone, Tracy Reising, Natalie Emge, Jill Barllett, Crystal Spivey Julie Moll; (top row) Shawn Lewis, Eugene Warren, Charles Bouch, Scott Richardville, Brian Steinkamp, Dan Schrader, Christina Ulrich, Rebecca Pictor.

## Teens for Life

## Culture Club



the residents of Pine Haven Nursing Home during a Service Club field trip.



Freshmen Nathan Gault and Chris Waelde count up the victims of their irresistible charm. The two tied for the title of Mr. Irresistible.







Meg Liffick (ABOVE) does the conclusion to the C.A.T.S. Club's moving presentation against the use of alcohol and drugs. The skit was entitled "Turnaround." ABOVE LEFT are Lisa Acton, Amy Nally, Dana Kemper, and Emily Steinback; LEFT are Lorna Fischer, Dana Kemper and Anthea Knapp.

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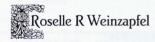
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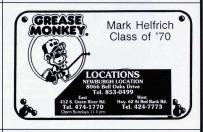
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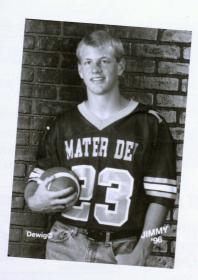




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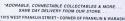
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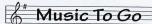
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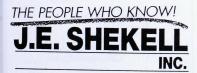
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202

Homeroom 202: (front row) Missy Greathouse, Jill Goedde, Jona Farthing, Kim Eichkoff, Lorrie Haad, Jamie Folz, Kim Herr, Jenni Folz, Missy Eppler, Natalie Glaser, (middle row) Kevin Head, Dan Goebel, Henry Hasenour, Wade Flake, Nick Helmer, Jason Feldhaus, Andy Effinger, Jeff Fischer; (back row) Mike Hemmer, Maurice Helmerich, Angi Hall, Lori Gries, Jeremy Jackson, Craig Fehrenbacher, Jeff Goebel, Kent Halbig, and Jason Haton.

### winners



Homeroom 207: (front row) Mary Shepard, Karyn Strange, Amy Weber, Rebecca Weis, Christy Unffried, Kristi Wargel (second row) Brian Steinkamp, Nathan Smither, Jill Spahn, Carrie Weil, Monica Weber, Erin Zenthoefer, Becky Will, Erin Smyth, Dan Spaetti (third row) Angie Seib, Angie VanNess, Blake Shumate, Matt Voelker, Brad Turner, Brandon Tenbarge, Larry Werner, Shawn Zuber, and John Werne.

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Homeroom 210: (first row) Adam Schnarr, Corey Spaetti, Bryan Schmitt, Greg Schmitt; (second row) Justin Rexing, Dan Schrader, Tim Scott, E.W. Scott, Eugene Schmitt, Ryan Scheu, Greg Schaefer, John Spahn, Adam Siemers; (third row) Carrie Sitzman, Renee Shirk, Tracey Reising, Stefani Rexing, Rachel Schenk, Evelyn Rexing, Mindy Schenk, Natalie Rasler; (fourth row) Becky Reising, Laura Reising, Jamie Reese, Stephanie Reidford, Beth Ritzert, Jill Spaetti, Mary Reddington, Kristen Schaefer, Nathan Scheller, and Joe Ramsbey.

#### STRICTLY PERSONAL



Mary Pat,

You will always be our little girl.
Good luck in radiology.

Love you, Mom and Dad

Mary Shepard



We love you, Beth Ann!

Mom and Dad

Beth Ritzert



Barry Cox

Barry,

Wishing you all the best in whatever's in your future. Always remember we love you, Barry.

Mom and Dad



Tony Scheller, Lee Scheller

Taught you all I know, Bubby. Good luck in all you do.

> Love, Lee



Monica Weber

Monica,

Your Light, Your Energy, Your Love. . .

Thank you for the gift of you! Congratulations and love,

Dad and Mom



Karyn Strange

Varion

Thanks for being such a wonderful daughter and bringing us so much happiness. We are so proud of you.

Mom and Dad



Todd Kite

What a great 12 years, Todd. We're proud of you! Mom and Dad



We love you, Nick!

Mom and Dad

Nick Ritzert



Greg,

Keep on smiling. We're proud of all your achievements. We wish you the best in your future.

Love from your family, Mom, Dad, Brad, Adam and Laura.

Greg Raben



Congratulations, Rebecca!

Thanks for all the wonderful memories. Keep smiling.

> We love you, Mom, Dad and Jessica

Rebecca Weis



Scott Schaefer

Scott,

We are very proud of you. Good luck in all you do.

Love Mom and Dad



Natalie Glaser Congratulations, Natalie,

Keep fighting to reach your goals. Your dedication has made one of your dreams a reality. We wish you success at SLU and pray that all of your dreams come true.

> So proud of you, Mom, Dad, Miranda, and Melissa.



Jason Haton

Jason.

You haven't changed a bit?!! Good luck in the years to come and remember we all love you!

> Mom, Dad, and Andi



Jennifer Folz

Congratulations, Jenni and....

Thank you for the last 17 years!! Good luck as you continue your journey of life! We're proud of all your accomplishments.

> Love, Mom and Dad



Nathan Smither

Nathan,

Your dad and I have always been so proud to call you our own. God truly blessed us. We love you with all our hearts.

Mama



John and Lynn Spahn

We are proud of you!!

We love you,

Mom, Dad, Bryan, Jennifer and Jamie.



Henry, Good luck and enjoy.

Love, Mom and Heidi

Henry Hasenaur



Kim.

Once so shy. How times fly. Good luck to you, whatever you pursue.

Love, Mom and Dad

Kim Herr



Dan Rexing

Dan, The best is yet to come...

> Love, Mom and Dad



Jenny Porter

Jenny,

Congratulations to our little girl - you made it! As your "own" tree grows in the woods, we hope your own dreams grow to become real.

> With all our love, Mom and Joe



Sara Knapp

Sara.

Always keep that smile. Good luck with all your future endeavors.

We love you, Mom and Dad



Kris Kleinschmidt

Kris.

May all your high-flying dreams come true.

Love, Mom, Dad, and Heather



Angie Seib

Angie, You made it!

> We love you. Good luck now and forever.

Love, Mom and Dad



Brendan Anslinger

Brendan,

God loves you. Keep Him <u>first</u> in all that you do. You'll always be our "gift of Love." Remember -- We love you!

Mom and Dad

#### STRICTLY PERSONAL



You couldn't wait to play football! Good Luck at Kentucky Wesleyan.

> Love, Mom and Dad

Chris Koester



Brandon.

It's been fun watching you grow through the years. Good luck in the future.

> All our love, Mom, Dad, and Crystal

Brandon Nord



Matt Boehman

Matt, What a great year, your smile says it all! We are so proud of you. May God watch over you and guide you. Love.

Mom, Dad, A.D., & Jake



Nicholas Helmer

Nicholas,

It seems like only yesterday you began your journey through life. MayGod graciously bless you as you continue on the path to greatness. All our love and best wishes.

XOXO Mom & Dad



Steve Jung

Congratulations, Steve!

Look out world, here comes someone special.

Love, Mom and Dad



Andrea Boots

Andrea, Always making "monkeyshines!" May you keep on shining at Saint Louis University. We are so very proud of you. God bless you.

Mom, Dad, and Brandon



Dear Laura Sue,

You are very special to us. We love you very much.

Love, Mom and Dad

Laura Kuehne



My brother the Dolphin Fan.

Good Luck in the future.

Richard

Chris Koester



Keep climbing, Kathy.

You'll reach all your goals.

> Love, Mom and Dad

Kathy Render



BEFORE FOOTBALL!

Good luck. Grandma and Grandpa

Chris Koester



Thank you for giving us laughter and kindness. Take it with you wherever you go! We are proud of you! Love.

Mom, Dad, Bryce, Willie, and Leah



Andrea Luigs

Congratulations, Andrea! We're very proud of you. Good luck with your future and may all your dreams come true.

We love you, Mom, Dad, Amy, Angela, and Alisha



Julie Schapker

Iulie,

We love you and want the best to come your way. So make your dreams come true.

> Congratulations, Mom and Dad



Kim Eickhoff

Keep that beautiful smile on your face. We are very proud of you.

Love ya lots! Mom, Dad, and Brad



Severin,

"Wherever you go, there you are." "Seize the day."

Mom, Dad, and Sarah

Severin Kempf



Andrea,

Wishing you the best! Remember, we are always here for you!

Love, Mom and Dad

Andrea Schapker

#### STRICTLY PERSONAL



Amy,

Remember this reaction when you realized you made the volleyball team? Seems like only yesterday! It's been fun watching you grow in all areas of your life!

> Love ya, Mom and Dad

Amy Lehman



Mat.

Your smile says it all. It has been a joy to watch you grow into a loving and caring young man. We wish you love, happiness, and success in your future.

Love, Mom and Dad

Mat Schenk



John Werner

John.

You are the greatest. You are the spark of our family.

Love, Mom and Dad, Jim, Jeff, Jay, Joel, Susan, and Sarah



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Kristi Wargel

Kristi

May all your hopes and dreams come true. Have a happy and healthy

future.

We Love You, Mom, Dad, and Steven



Lori.

You are our pride and joy. Congratulations. May all your dreams come true. We're proud of you!

> Love, Mom and Dad

Lori Adler



Craig Fehrenbacher

"What a doll"

Love you,

Mom, Dad, and Boys



Iona Farthing

Jona,

You are the Apple of our Eye!

We Love You, Mom, Dad, Tim, Terry, and Chip



Good Luck, Amanda. I Love You!

Grandma McAtee

Amanda Clayton



Jenny Masterson

Jenny, May all your dreams come true.

Love, Mom, Dad, Katie & Kristen



Adam Keeneth

Dear Adam, You light up our lives. May you have many fishing years ahead. Congratulations!

We love you, Mom , Dad and Jennie



Nick and Joe Mayer

Nick, We always knew you were wacky. Now we know why. We love you anyway.

Good Luck, Mom and Dad



Andy Effinger

My hat's off to you, Andy.

Love Always, Mom



Lorrie Head

Lorrie,

We are very proud of you! Hold on to your dreams and we'll help you make them come true.

Love, Mom and Dad



Anne Aldenderfer

Anne, You were a Schnucks fan even then. Congratulations, Anne. We are proud of you. Good luck to you.

Love, Mom, John and Andy



Larry Werner

Larry, Still good-looking after all these years. We're very proud of you, Larry. Best of luck in everything you do.

Love, Mom and Dad



Abby Davids

Abby,

We are very proud of you. Lots of luck at Purdue.

Love, Mom, Dad, D.J., and Greg



Angie VanNess

Nathan Knapp

Nathan,

steps.

Angie, Hope your future is as bright as your smile. We love you always.

> Mom, Dad, Curtis, and Lindsay

Congratulations, Big Guy-You did it! All our love and

Mom, Dad, Emily and Ben

best wishes for your next



**Jeff Fischer** 

Jeff.

You will always be our "super" man.

> Love. Mom and Dad



Tony Scheller

May all your dreams come true. Good luck at Purdue.

Love. Mom and Dad



Greg Kempf

Stay-proud and keep smiling.

> Love. Mom and Dad



Amy, Good luck in the future and may you reach all your goals.

Love, Mom, Dad, and Emily



Wade Flake

Wade, The best is yet to come! God bless you.

We love you, Mom, Dad and Tracy



Amanda.

You'll always be my little girl baby.

We are so poud of all of your hard work.

We love you, Mom, Ron & Sissy

Amanda Clayton



Alicia Rupert

Alicia,

Congratulations, honey! I'm so proud of you and excited about your future. What a joy you are, so full of energy and self-control.

With all my love, Mom



Troy Blazier

Troy,

Good luck as you make "the dorm" home away from home. Your dream is getting closer to reality and we couldn't be more proud of you.

We love you, Mom, Dad, and Alex



Shawn Zuber

Shawn,

"You'll go far!" We love you, Mom and Dad



Anthea Knapp

Our dear little Anthea! Where did all the "in-between" go? Great job!!

We'll love you forever! Mom. Dad. Ed. lackie, Miranda, Alex, Mike, David, Austin, and Hayden



Lisa Baumgart

Shoot for the stars. You can do it! We're proud of you.

All our love. Mom and Dad



Laci Barnhart

Laci.

You are a very special part of our family. Good luck your senior year. We love you a lot.

Mom, Wade, and Kali



Kent Halbig

Kent.

It's tough to see our last one go off to college. But hey, study hard and have a little fun, in that order, at IU.

Love, Mom and Dad



Jason.

You will always be our little angel. We are so proud of you! Best of luck next year at Purdue. We are confident you will be a SUCCESS!

Love, Mom and Dad



Iill Goedde

Still Sitting Pretty. Congratulations and Good Luck in the Future!

Love. Mom & Dad Kirby, Erin & Blake



Chris Schillinger

Congratulations, Chris. "Best of Luck" in college and everything you do!

Love, Mom, Dad, and Cody



Betsy Ackerman, Connie Petrig, Paula Petrig - Easter in Canada



Christy Unfried

Christy,

May you continue to be successful!

Love, Mom & Dad



Melissa Eppler

Melissa. My baby has grown up. You are a special young lady. I am proud of you.

> Love, Mom



Jeremy Jackson

Jeremy,

Congratulations, you made it! We're very proud of you and love you very much. Love, Dad, Mom, and Lori



Christy Unfried



Amy (left) and Angie Braun

Birds of a feather flock together. Love, Mom & Dad

### So long ... It's been fun

It seemed like graduation ceremonies were the best place to say goodbye to the 1995-96 school year. We had fun producing "Welcome to Our World" and hope you enjoy it.

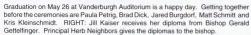
There are so many people to thank for making this yearbook possible. So from the staff that produced it to the faculty who let us interrupt classes for pictures, thanks.





Graduating seniors listen as retired Mater Dei teacher Mary Patry gives a Baccalaureate address on friendship.











Project Graduation. At FAR LEFT Joe Armentano tries to go under the limbo pole. At LEFT, the idea is to pass the playing card from one person to the next using only your lips.

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