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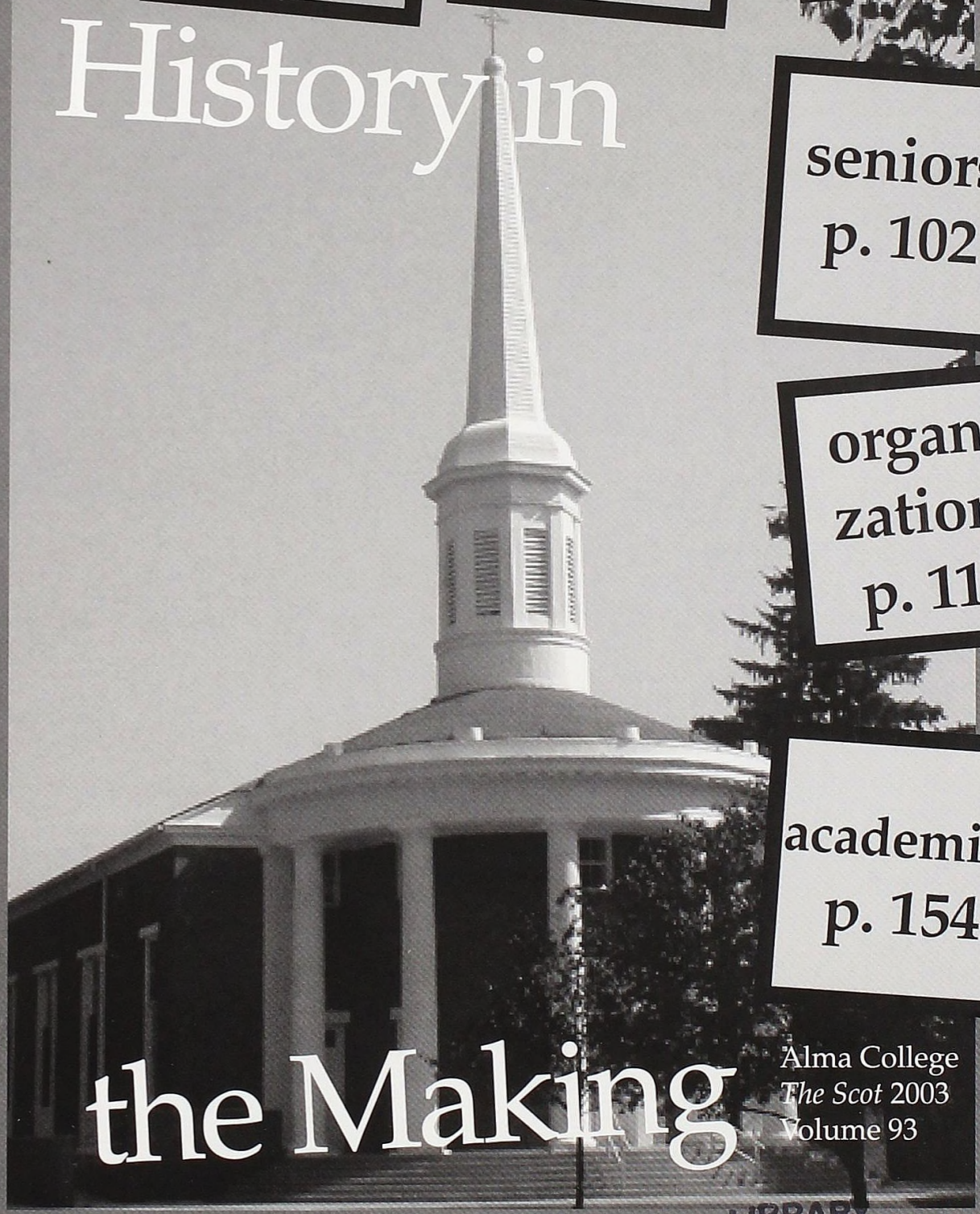
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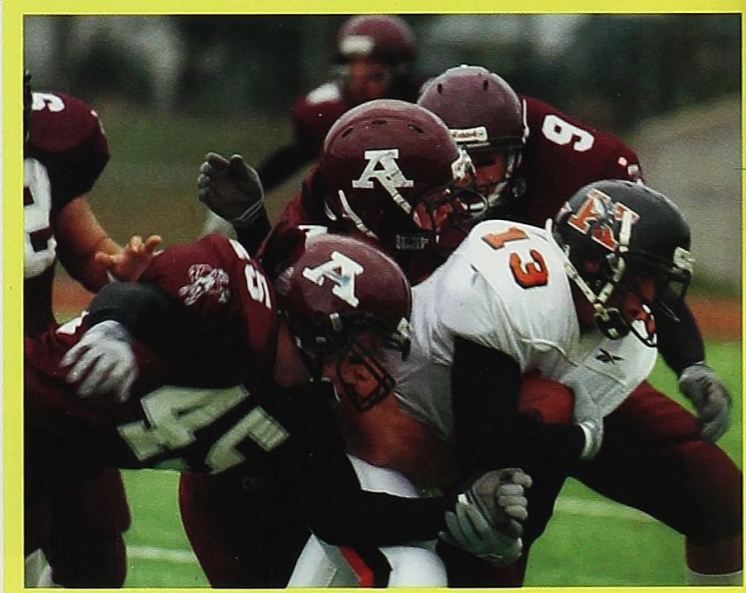
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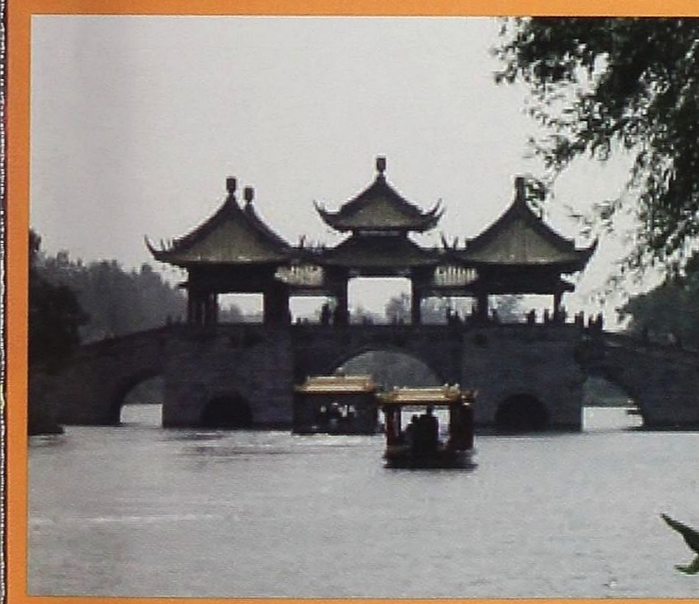
in the beginning...

Think back to your first day as a student at Alma College. Were you nervous about your classes, excited about meeting new friends, anxious about living with someone you hardly knew, happy about your new found freedom, or sad about saying good-bye to family and friends? Every student started the year bringing past experiences and awaiting future ones. First year students discovered the up and down sides of dorm life and being an adult. Sophomores experienced the 'Sophomore Slump' as they tried to define their interests and decide on a major. Juniors started internships to get that 'real world experience'. Seniors started looking at graduate schools and jobs for life after college. Each experience was a life lesson. And each new day was one that had never been lived, that no one else had ever experienced. It was a chance to learn how to deal with being an adult, to change your major (again), to get that 'real world experience', or to land that awesome job at an entry level position. But no matter if it was your first or fifth year, your experience was history in the making.

Wearing the traditional Scottish garb, Malcolm Cox plays the bagpipes during Opening Convocation. Bagpipes could be heard being played frequently throughout the campus.



Bringing down the opponent, the Alma Scots stop him from gaining anymore yards. Football games offered students a study break on the weekends and a chance to hang out with friends while cheering on their team.



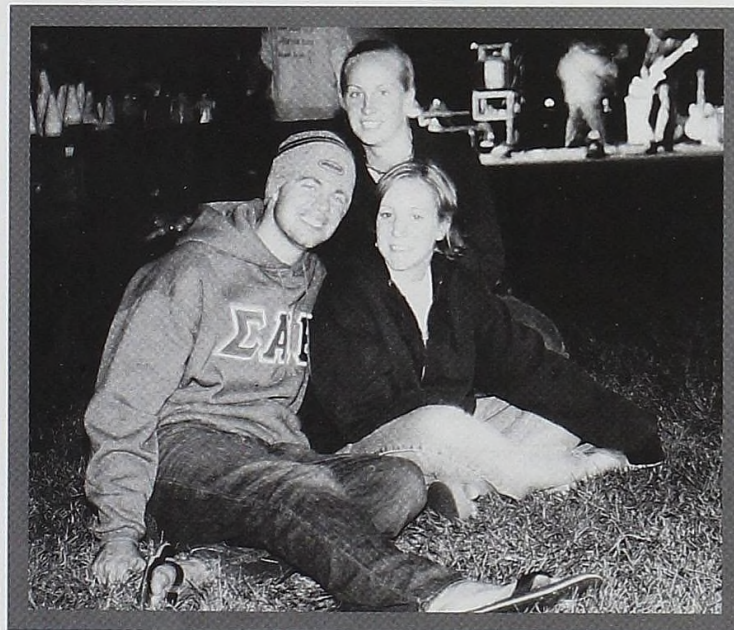
Admiring the view in China, a student takes time to snap a picture. Students took advantage of Spring Term classes that travelled to different countries. The courses counted as one of the two required S courses while offering students a chance to learn first hand about different countries and cultures.

Placing bets, Rachel Miller, Anna Long, Cole Hughes, Christopher Porter, and Colin McLaughlin anticipate the spin of the wheel during Casino Night. Arranged by ACUB and set up in the Hole, Casino Night offered students the chance to "gamble" with play money and win real prizes. Some of the games included Roulette, Black Jack, and Slots.



Supporting their brother in his quest for "Greek God", Meghan Rector and Missy Ricketts strike a pose. Put on by Phi Sigma Sigma, the profits of the night went towards Phi Sigma Sigma's philanthropy which directly benefitted the National Kidney Foundation. During this event, which took place in the chapel, two men from each fraternity participated in the Talent, Toga Wear, and Formal Interview categories. They were judged by two women from each sorority, and at the end only one brother was named "Greek God".

Celebrating their crowning, Mike Leahy and Janay Anderson share smiles. The Homecoming Court consisted of Mary Hakken '03 of Alma, Juliann Schafer '03 of Tawas, Janay Anderson '03 of Vicksburg, Alicia Hegle '03 of Bay City, and Janet Daig '03 of Flushing, Josh Funsch '03 of West Branch, Joe Phillips '03 of St. Louis, Tony Shrum '03 of Bear Lake, Mike Leahy '03 of Brighton, and Jared Evans '03 of Greenville. Mike and Janay were crowned King and Queen during half-time at the football game.



Chillin' with friends, these students take time to relax outdoors, listen to a band, and hang by the fire. Besides facilitating the All-nighter, ACUB also brought bands such as Shaking Tree and Adam Richmond, as-well-as a hypnotist to campus. They also planned Casino Night, Mock Rock, and a Euchre tournament.

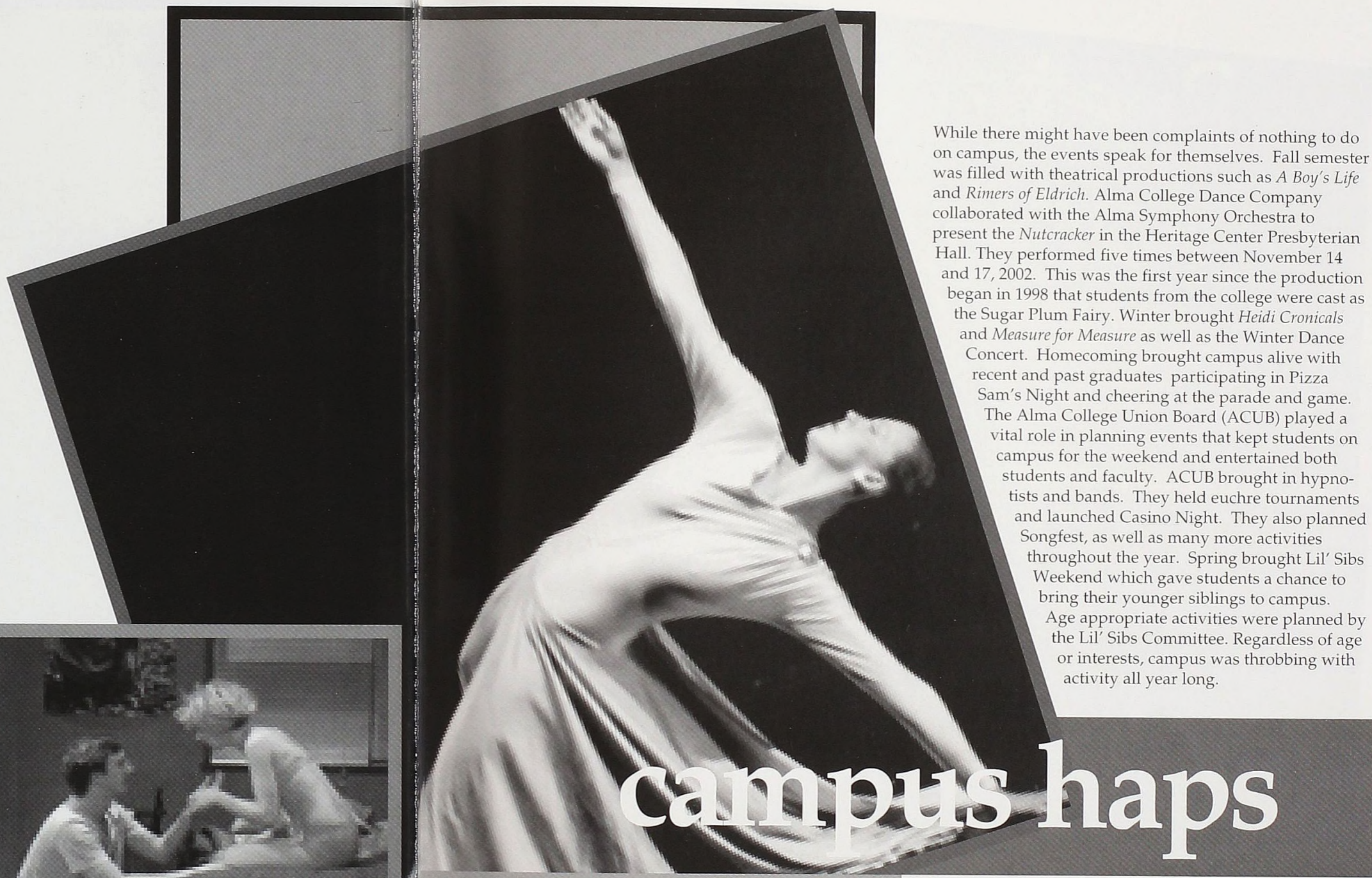


Patrick Kosal and Cindy Drebus perform in *Boy's Life*, a comical play about three friends making the transition from college to the real world in New York City. Howard Korder's *Boys' Life* focuses on the friends as they find their way to adulthood and life in the Big Apple. There's just one catch: all the women around them are mystifying, enigmatic and unmistakably appealing.

Enjoying a game of laser tag, this student participates in the ACUB All-nighter. The Alma College Union Board planned activities throughout the year that provided entertainment to the students. The All-nighter kicked off the year with a repelling wall, bull riding, and putt-putt golf.



Performing *Remember*, a piece choreographed by Calol Fike, Brooke Palm reaches for the sky. *Remember* was one of the six dances performed during the first half of the Spring Concert which also included *Splash*, *Here with Me*, *Shelter*, and *Instincts*. The second half was a section of the *Sleeping Beauty* ballet titled *Aurora's Wedding*.



While there might have been complaints of nothing to do on campus, the events speak for themselves. Fall semester was filled with theatrical productions such as *A Boy's Life* and *Rimers of Eldrich*. Alma College Dance Company collaborated with the Alma Symphony Orchestra to present the *Nutcracker* in the Heritage Center Presbyterian Hall. They performed five times between November 14 and 17, 2002. This was the first year since the production began in 1998 that students from the college were cast as the Sugar Plum Fairy. Winter brought *Heidi Cronicals* and *Measure for Measure* as well as the Winter Dance Concert. Homecoming brought campus alive with recent and past graduates participating in Pizza Sam's Night and cheering at the parade and game. The Alma College Union Board (ACUB) played a vital role in planning events that kept students on campus for the weekend and entertained both students and faculty. ACUB brought in hypnotists and bands. They held euchre tournaments and launched Casino Night. They also planned Songfest, as well as many more activities throughout the year. Spring brought Lil' Sibs Weekend which gave students a chance to bring their younger siblings to campus. Age appropriate activities were planned by the Lil' Sibs Committee. Regardless of age or interests, campus was throbbing with activity all year long.

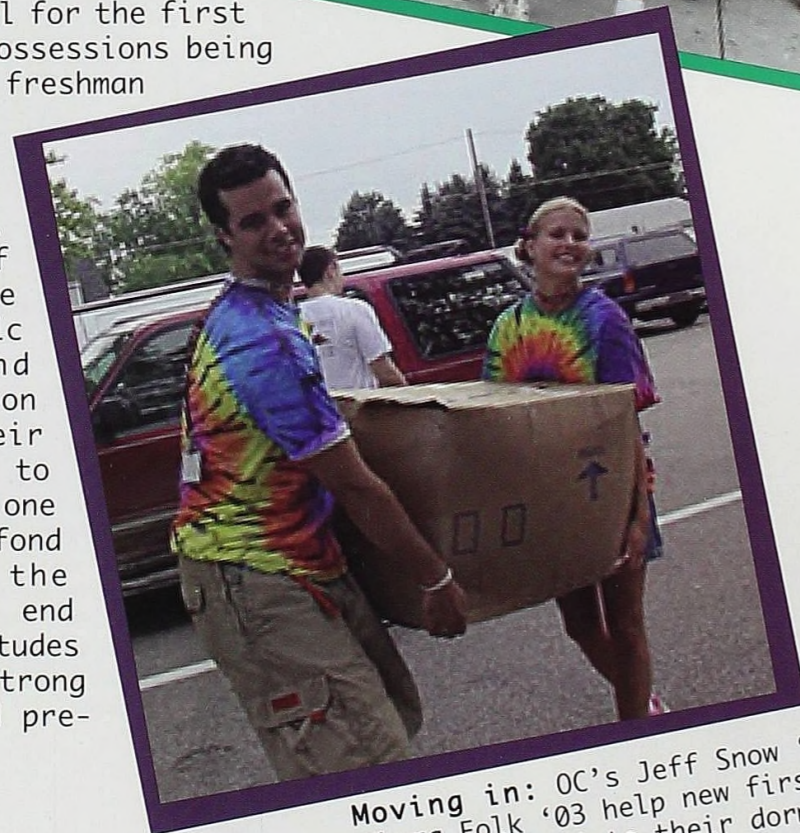
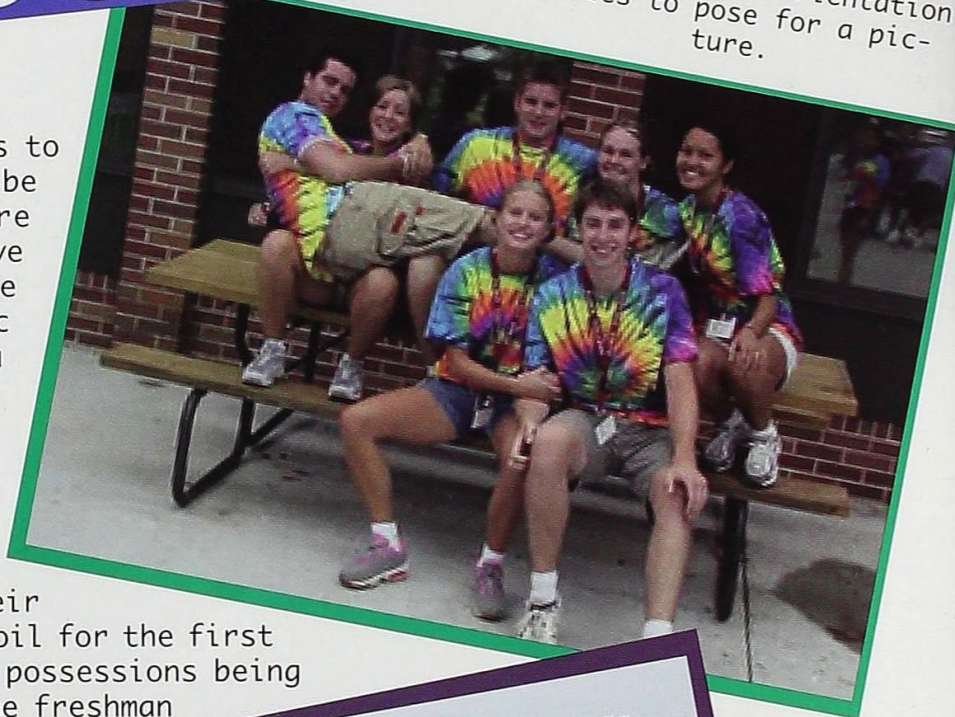
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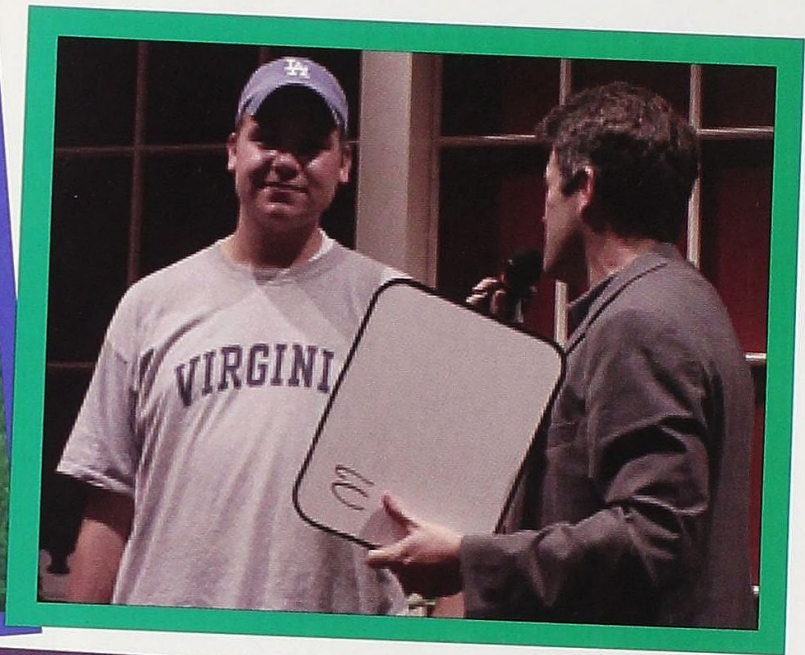
By Laura Parkes-Schaw '07

Like all scrapbooks, there has to be a beginning. There has to be a point where the adventure begins. In our small, collective community of Almanians, the story begins not with a specific action or event, but with a cheerful group of people called the Orientation Committee. The Orientation Committee, or OC's for short, were the first people the newest members to the Alma family met as they awkwardly stumbled out of their vehicles and stepped on Alma soil for the first time. With all their worldly possessions being held in their shaking arms, the freshman class of 2006 was warmly greeted by the OC's who quickly opened up their arms to bear the burden of "moving day". This helpful nature did not only provide relief for the trembling arms of the newbies, but it was also a symbolic gesture of comfort and understanding. With smiles on their face and cheer in their hearts, the 2002 OC's helped to make this page in the scrapbook one filled with friendly faces and fond memories. The story of the Orientation Committee doesn't end there though. The positive attitudes and good will of the OC's held strong throughout the activity-filled pre-term week.

Orientation Committee: The 2002 Orientation Committee (OCs) take a break from their many orientation duties to pose for a picture.



Moving in: OC's Jeff Snow '05 and Thyra Folk '03 help new first year students move into their dorm rooms.

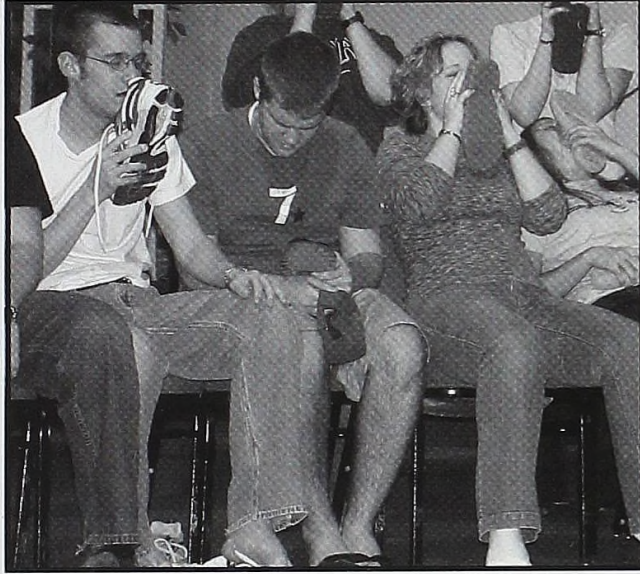


All around: The OC's theme was tie-dye this year. They planned activities for the first years such as speakers, tie-dyeing, a dance, and the annual tradition's dinner.



HYPNOTIST

Hypnotising: Colin McLaughlin '04 and fellow classmates sniff their shoes while hypnotized during an ACUB event.



CASINO NIGHT

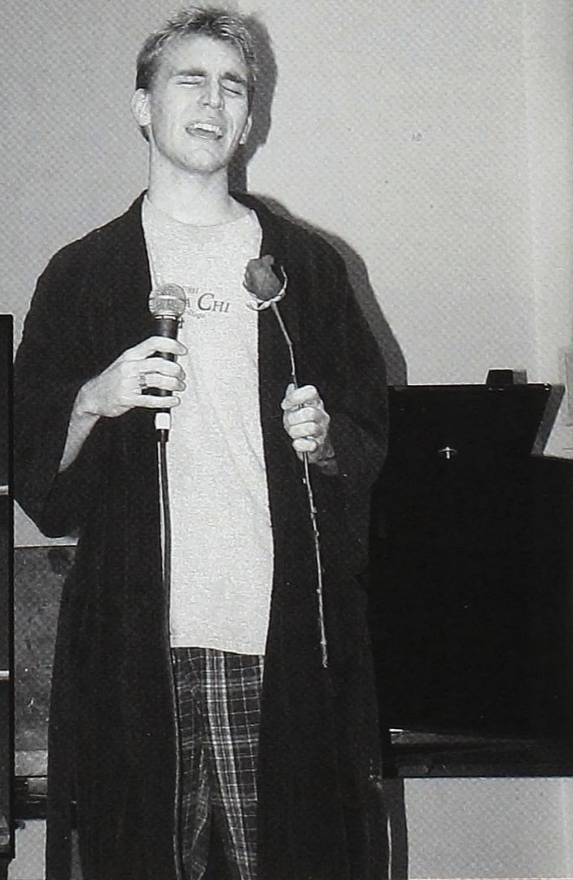


Hit me: Nick Dunckle '06, Derek Miller '05 and Mark Demarest '04 play Blackjack at the ACUB casino night.

SONGFEST

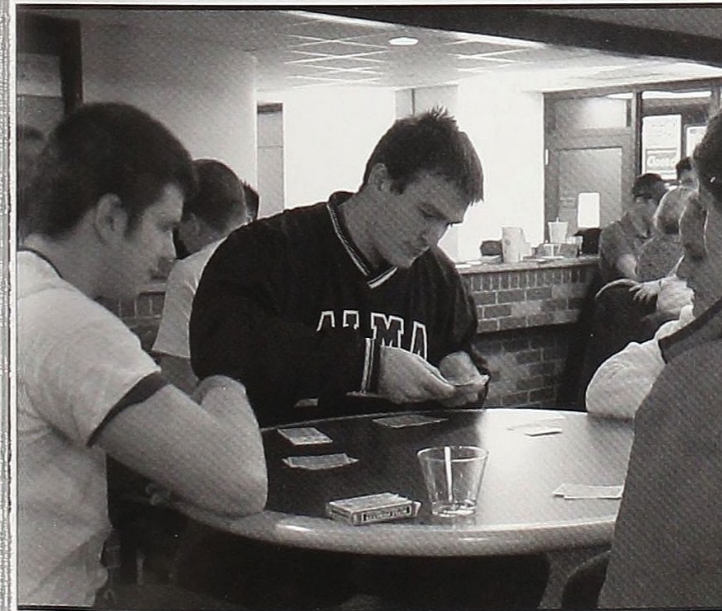
(Below): Alan Kast '03 and Andy Brege '03 perform "The Devil Went Down to Georgia" at this year's Songfest.

(Right): Travis Crawford '04 sings during his group's song in which they won first place in the songfest competition.



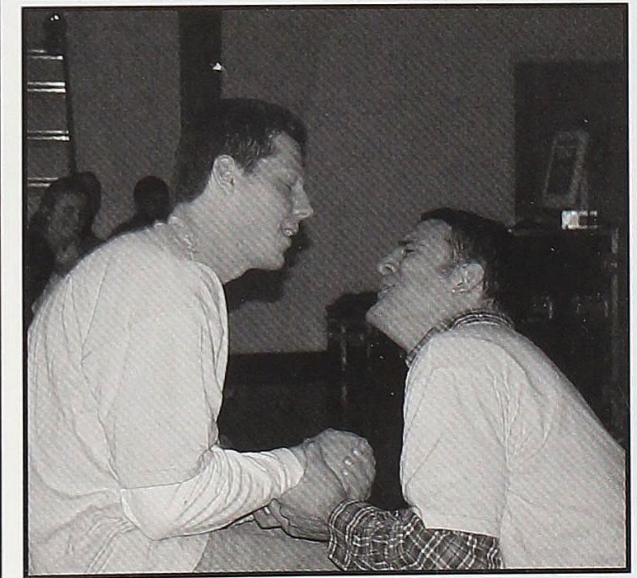
EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

The name of the game: Students participate in ACUB's cash prize Euchre tournament. This competition gave students a chance to get to know each other better along with maybe picking up some extra cash



CASINO HEIST

Mission completed: Jordan Brehm '03 and Mitch DeYong '04 serenade each other as part of their mission during ACUB's knock-off of Ocean's Eleven (The Casino Heist).



ACUB

Proudly Presents:

Bored on campus? Tired of doing the same things over and over again? Never fear ACUB is here. ACUB, The Alma College Union Board, is in charge of providing hours of activities throughout the year for students to participate in. This year, ACUB brought in a hypnotist, sponsored a Euchre tournament to break the ice for new students, and created a mission event like the movie Ocean's Eleven called Casino Heist. Along with those activities they also put on annual activities such as the casino night, an all-nighter, and the Songfest competition. Their work didn't finish after Winter semester, because they still provided fun activities during Spring Term such as a Drive-in movie on the chapel lawn. ACUB's goal is to bring fun and safe events to Alma to help give students a memorable four years here.



Game Time: (Above) The Homecoming game gets underway against Defiance College of Ohio. (Left) Matt Stoneback '03 conducts the marching band during their halftime performance.
photos by Matt Baleja '04

Homecoming Day



(Above) President Tracy addresses the crowd during halftime during which they announced the Homecoming queen and king. **(Left)** The band performs their routine during the halftime show.
photos by Matt Baleja '04

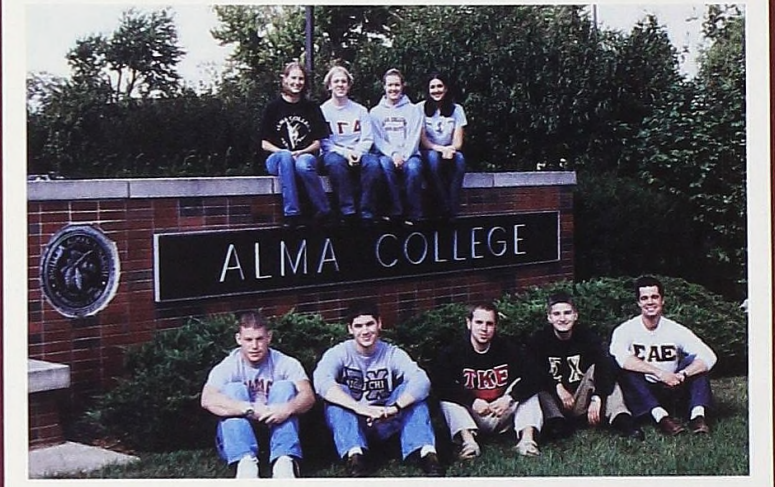


2002 Homecoming King: Mike Leahy '03 of Brighton
2002 Homecoming Queen: Janay Anderson '03 of Vicksburg
photo by Matt Baleja '04

Homecoming Court

Queen candidates (from left to right): Mary Hakken '03 of Alma, Juliann Schafer '03 of Tawas, Janay Anderson '03 of Vicksburg, Alicia Hegle '03 of Bay City, and Janet Daig '03 of Flushing who is not in the photo.

King candidates (from left to right): Josh Funsch '03 of West Branch, Joe Phillips '03 of St. Louis, Tony Shrum '03 of Bear Lake, Mike Leahy '03 of Brighton, and Jared Evans '03 of Greenville.



Halftime: (Right) Jenn VanValkenburg '04 plays her clarinet during the Kiltie Band's homecoming halftime show. (Below) The Kiltie Band's percussion section stands awaiting the beginning of their homecoming show.
photos by Matt Baleja '04



HOME COMING

By Laura Parkes-Schaw '07

PARADE



Music time: The Kiltie Band makes its way down the streets of Alma during the Homecoming Parade
 Photo by Matt Baleja '04



Next: The Alma Highland dancers and bagpipers make their way down the street after the Kiltie Band
 Photo by Matt Baleja '04

Court: The 2002-2003 Homecoming court makes their appearance on a boat during the parade. This year's king and queen were announced at the game later in the day.
 Photo by Matt Baleja '04

In Front: Leading the Kiltie Band during the parade were the Band's color guard.
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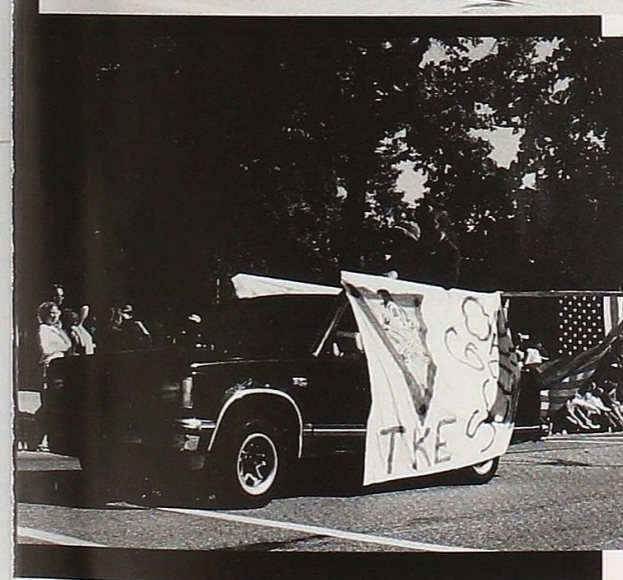


Gone Fishin': The Alpha Xi Delta sorority proudly show off their float which had a fishing theme this year.
 Photo by Matt Baleja '04

Classy: (Right) The fraternity Sigma Alpha Epsilon show off their Alma spirit with their theme of Classy Cars. (Below) The social sorority Gamma Phi Beta proudly display their banner at the parade and show off their school support.
 Photos by Matt Baleja '04



Proud: (Above) Members of the Sigma Chi social fraternity proudly wear their letters down the streets of Alma during the parade. (Left) The social fraternity Tau Kappa Epsilon show off the banner they made in support of the upcoming football game.
 Photos by Matt Baleja '04



Sugar, Spice, and everything nice

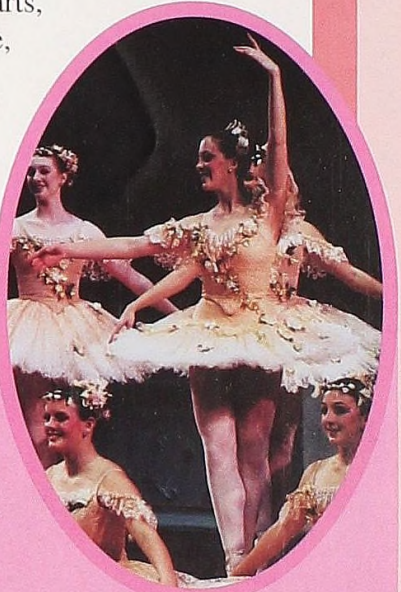
Alma College Dance Company uses own students for Sugar Plum Fairy.

Alma College Dance Company collaborated with the Alma Symphony Orchestra to present the Nutcracker in the Heritage Center Presbyterian Hall. They performed five times between November 14 and 17, 2002. Tom Morris, assistant professor of dance, began preparing in early September for the third full-length performance by the Alma College Dance Company. This was the first year since the production began in 1998 that students from the college were cast as the Sugar Plum Fairy. "It is significant to be able to have an entire student cast without guest performers," stated Morris. Students Anna Long (04) and Lynsay Masters (04) alternated between the Sugar Plum Fairy and Snow Queen. "I was triple casted, so I was really busy with parts, but I had an awesome time. Switching off was good because I got so much experience, but I also had less time to practice," said Lynsay. Steven Draheim, former scenic and lighting designer/technical director, designed the set while Kristeen Crosser, performing arts coordinator and technical director, designed lighting. David Heuvel was the costume designer. The Alma Symphony and Orchestra performed Tchaikovsky's score under the direction of Douglas Scripps. "This is the real end of my career," said Scripps who retired, "but it is significant because it is one of my favorite classical ballets."

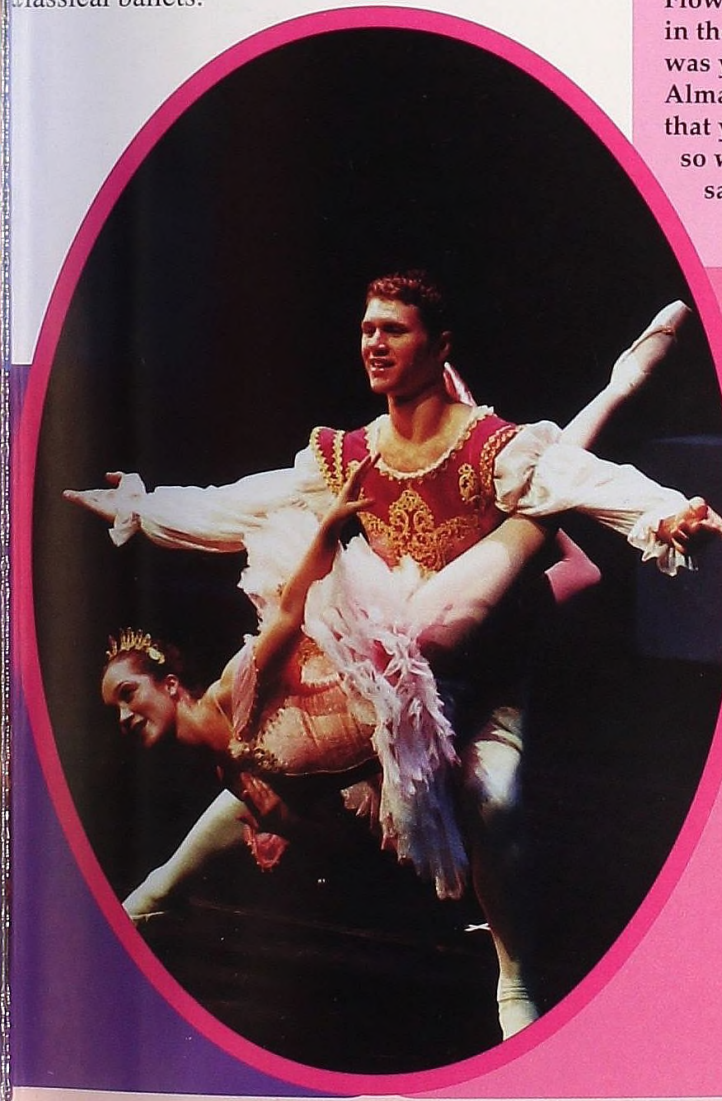


Dancing as the Snow King and Queen, Edward Klonowski (05) and Lynsay Masters (04) help the dance move from Clara's dream to the Land of Sweets.

Performing the Russian Dance, Travis Gordon (05) and Gregory Jacobs entertain the audience. "This was my first show and I had a really good time especially since I didn't have to wear tights," said Travis.



Presenting the Land of Sweets, Brooke Palm (03) preforms as the Dewdrop in the Corps of Flowers. "I've been performing in the Nutcracker ever since I was young. That's why I came to Alma. It's a wonderful production that you don't see at other schools, so we're very lucky to preform," said Brooke.



Performing the dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy and Cavalier, Anna Long (04) and Edward Klonowski (05) dance in the Land of Sweets. Sugar Plum Fairy was one of my dream roles. I felt very honored to present this part," said Anna.

Posing for Clara, Erika Olgaard (04) and Anna Long (04) preform as Chinese Dancers. This dance was also in the Land of Sweets performed in Act II.



A Boy's Life and

A Boy's Life (Below): Married couple, Nathan Oliver '06 (Jack) and Ashley Sawatzke '06 (Carla), share a moment in the final scene of this play.

Photo courtesy of the Alma Theatre Company

A Boy's Life

By Howard Korder
Directed by Scott Harman
Scenery and Lighting by Kristeen Willis Crosser
Costumes by Tina Hartley

The Rimers of Eldrich

By Langford Wilson
Directed by Joe Jezewski
Scenery and Lighting by Kristeen Willis Crosser
Costumes by Tina Hartley

A Boy's Life (Below): Two best friends, Jonathan Musser '05 (Phil) and Nathan Oliver '06 (Jack), try to win over the attention of Elizabeth Kimmel '06 (Maggie).

Photo courtesy of the Alma Theatre Company

A Boy's Life (Right): Patrick Kosal '04 (Don) tries to stop Kay Halteman '06 (Lisa) from leaving him after she find out he has had an affair behind her back.

Photo courtesy of the Alma Theatre Company



The Rimers of Eldrich (Above): Claire Kramer '05 (Evelyn Jackson) seeks support about her family problems from the rest of the women in the town: Sandy Patrick '04, Megan Greene '06, Kate Williams '06 (Lena Truit), Darek Lane '05 and Sarah Hemmingson '05

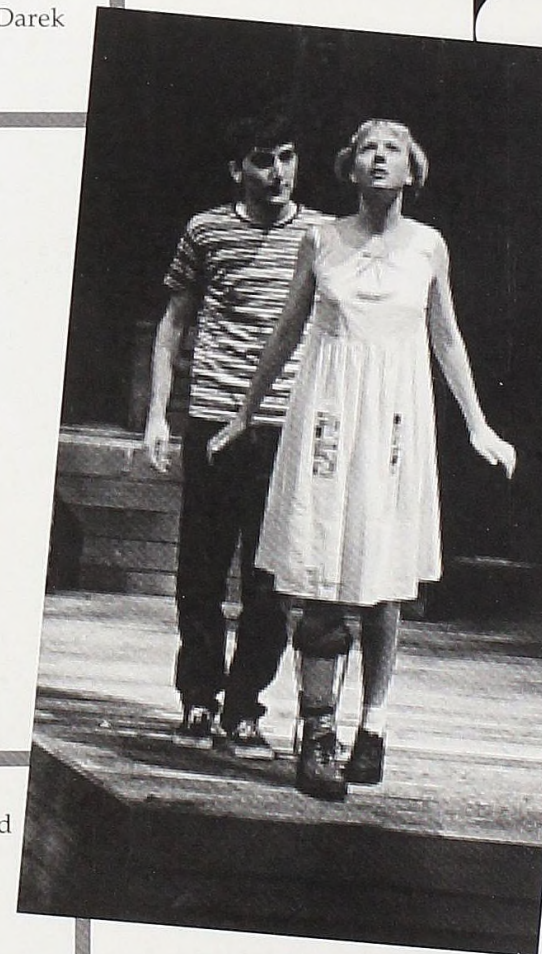
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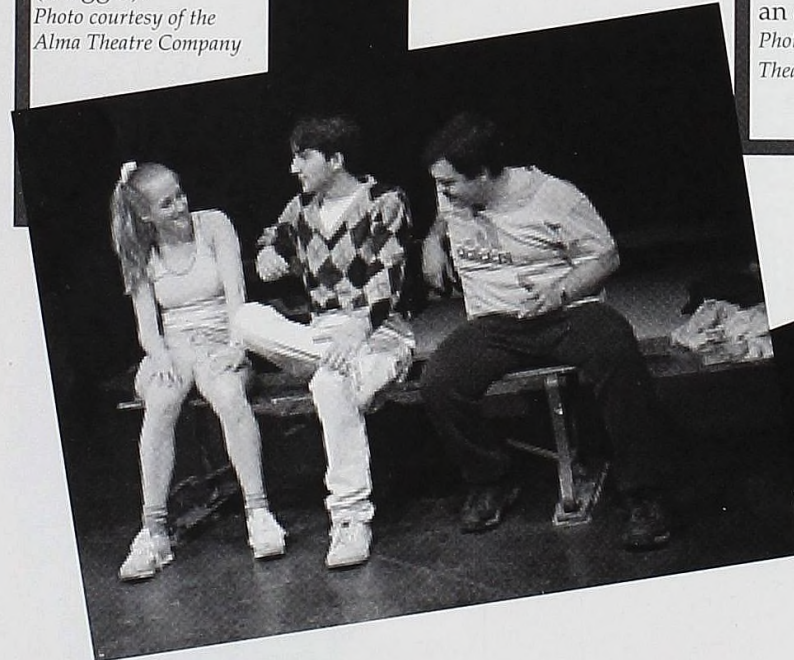
The Rimers of Eldrich (Above): Kate Williams '06 (Lena Truit) and Ryan Rinn '06 discuss their relationship problems.

The Rimers of Eldrich (Right): Cindy Drebus '04's character describes her dreams to Jonathan Musser '05 (Robert Conklin).

Photo courtesy of the Alma Theatre Company



Rimers of Eldrich



Measure for Measure



Heidi Chronicals

By Laura Parkes-Schaw '07

Measure for Measure (Below left): Patrick Kosal '04 (Claudio) and Cindy Drebus '04 (Juliet) are paraded around town by Mark Penzien '02, Matt Adams, and Matt Western '06 for committing the crime of premarital sex. Jonathan Musser '05 (Lucio) stands by and watches his friend.

Heidi Chronicals (Right): Patrick Kosal '04 (Peter Patrona) and Aili Meister '03 (Heidi) argue, because Peter feels he has been abandoned by his friend Heidi. This play is about Heidi's life and the feminist movement. Photos courtesy of the Alma Theatre Company

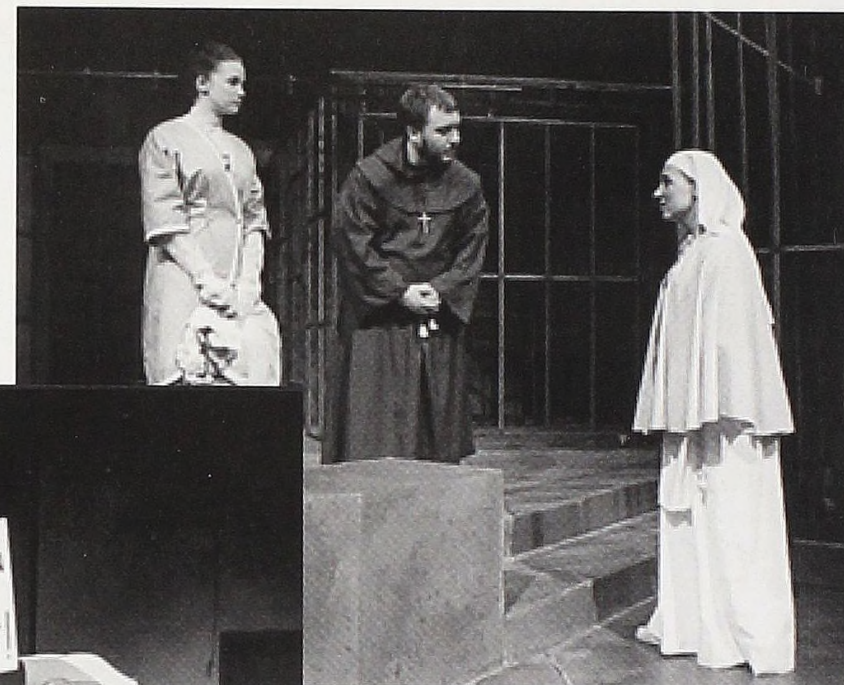


Measure for Measure
By William Shakespeare
Directed by Joe Jezewski and Scott Harman
Scenery and Lighting by Kristeen Willis Crosser
Costumes by Tina Hartley



Heidi Chronicals
By Wendy Wasserstien
Directed by Scott Harman
Scenery and Lighting by Kristeen Willis Crosser
Asst. Lighting Design by Claire Kramer
Costumes by Tina Hartley

Measure for Measure (Right): Darby Kennerly '04 (Mariana), George Champion '06 (Friar Peter), and Aili Meister '03 discuss about how they will present their problems to the Duke played by Joe Jezewski. Photo courtesy of the Alma Theatre Company



Heidi Chronicals (Left): Darby Kennerly '04 (Lisa), Cindy Drebus '04 and Aili Meister '03 (Heidi) petition to have women artists in museums during the Feminist movement. Photo courtesy of the Alma Theatre Company

Measure for Measure (Right): Nathan Oliver '06 (Escalus) tries to send Joe Jezewski (The Duke), who is in disguise, to prison for insulting the Duke. Darby Kennerly '04 (Mariana), Aili Meister '04 (Juliet), Matt Adams, Mark Penzien '02, and Jerry Ross, Jr. '03 watch the argument. Photo courtesy of the Alma Theatre Company



Heidi Chronicals (Left): Aubrey Miltz-Miller '06, Aili Meister '03 (Heidi), Ashley Sawatzke '06 (Susan) and Cindy Drebus '04 attend a baby shower for Darby Kennerly '04 (Lisa). Photo courtesy of the Alma Theatre Company



Winter Dance Concert

By Laura Parkes-Schatz '07

Here With Me

Choreographed by Anna Long '04
Lighting by Kristeen Crosser
Costumes by Tina Hartley

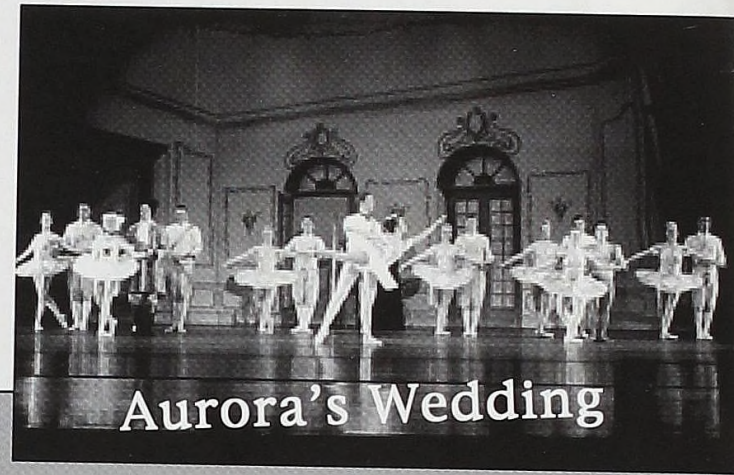
(Below): Erica Sandel '06, Lauren Giordano '04, Olivia Gorostiaga '05, Carey Rademacher '06 and Lindsay Masters '04 perform in this ballet.



Choreographed by Carol Fike
Lighting by Kristeen Willis Crosser
Asst. Lighting Design by Tabitha Sims '03
Costumes by Tina Hartley

(Below): Brooke Palm '03 performs in her modern solo piece.

Remember



Aurora's Wedding

(Above): Mary Hakken '03, Matt Smith '03, Regina Palasz '03, David Smith '02, Chris Heikkuri '04, Ericka Olgaard '04, Gabe Purrenhage '03, Ed Klonowski '05, Anna Long '04, Bree Brownlee '04, Travis Gordon '05, Allison Treloar '03, Brandon McNally '05, Lindsey Masters '04, Takuto Ono, Andrea Ballinger '03 and Tom Aceto '03 perform in this Classic Ballet.

Choreographed by Thomas Morris, after Marius Petipa
Lighting by Kristeen Willis Crosser
Asst. Lighting Design by Tabitha Sims '03
Costumes by Gail Westervelt

(Right): Andrea Ballinger '03 performs a solo in this classic ballet.



Splash

(Right): Micaela Church '06, Jennifer Conkey '06, Abbey French '06, Mary Hakken '03, Amber Nash '04, Shannon Nystrom '05, Sarah Radtke '04, David Smith '02, Mari Stewart '04 and Paulena Thompson '04 perform in this modern piece.

Choreographed by Carol Fike
Lighting by Kristeen Willis Crosser

Asst. Lighting Design by Tabitha Sims '03
Costumes by Tina Hartley

(Below): Amber Nash '04 performs a solo.

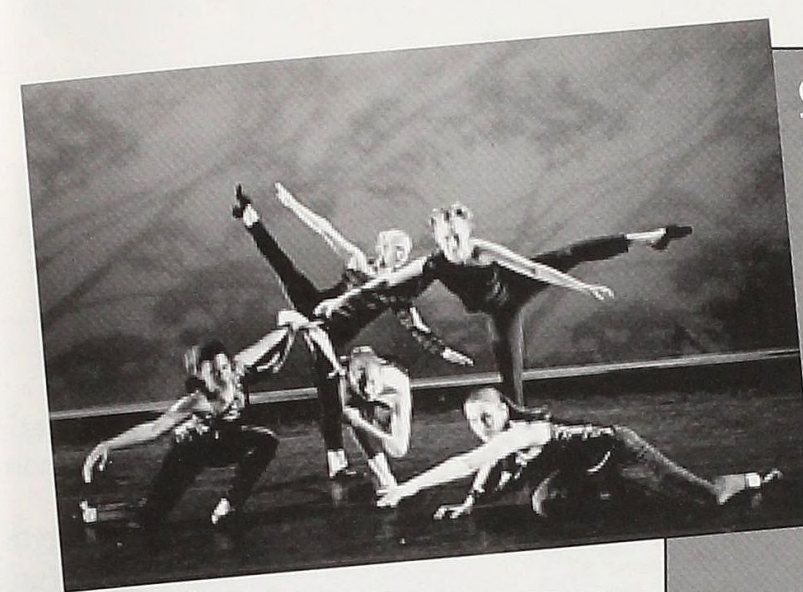


(Left): Paulena Thompson '04, Ericka Olgaard '05, Mary Hakken '03, Loren Hugget '06 and Sarah Radtke '04 perform in this modern dance piece.

Instincts

Choreographed by Kathleen Whitman Francis, Joe Lanteri and Tyler Cooper
Lighting by Kristeen Willis Crosser

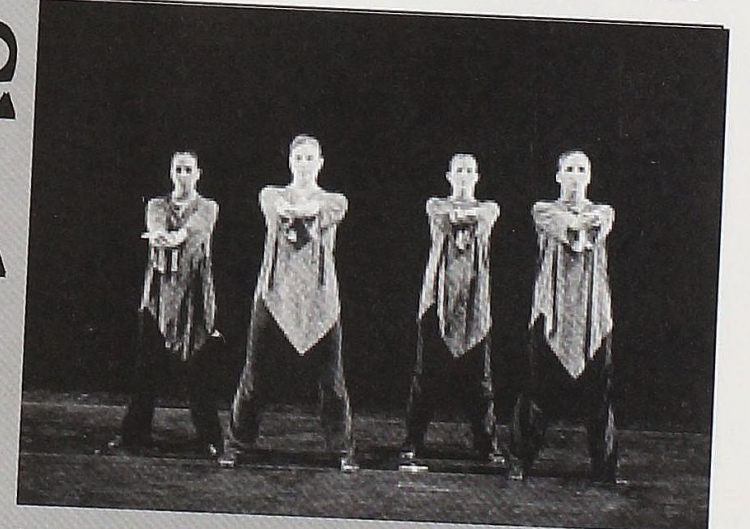
Asst. Lighting Design by Tabitha Sims '03
Costumes by Tina Hartley



Shelter

Choreographed by Brooke Palm
Lighting by Kristeen Willis Crosser
Asst. Lighting Design by Tabitha Sims
Costumes by Tina Hartley

(Above): Carey Rademacher '06, Amber Nash '04, Abbey French '06 and Mary Kelley '05 perform in this modern piece.



We've got it all...

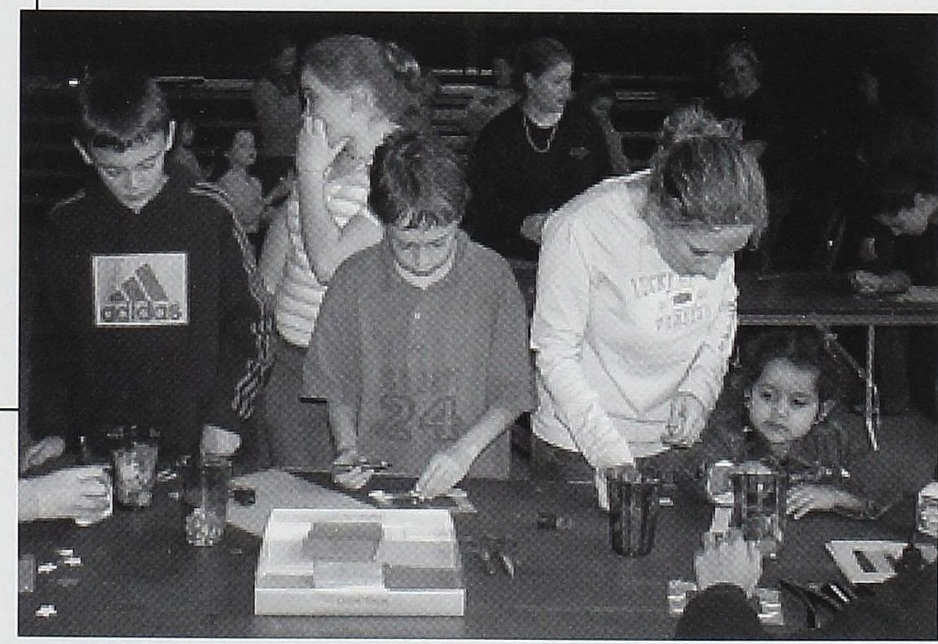
from lil' sibs

By Laura Parkes-Schaw '07

One weekend a year campus is filled with a few more friendly faces than normal. Little Siblings weekend allows students to bring their little siblings up to experience some fun time away from parents, along with spending some quality time with their big siblings. This year was another successful year of events planned for siblings of many different ages. Kids were able to enjoy making crafts, playing in the recreation center, the annual carnival night, an ice cream social, and many more events. The pool was also open for the kids to enjoy open swim. Overall Little Sibs had another successful weekend with their big sibs on a college campus.



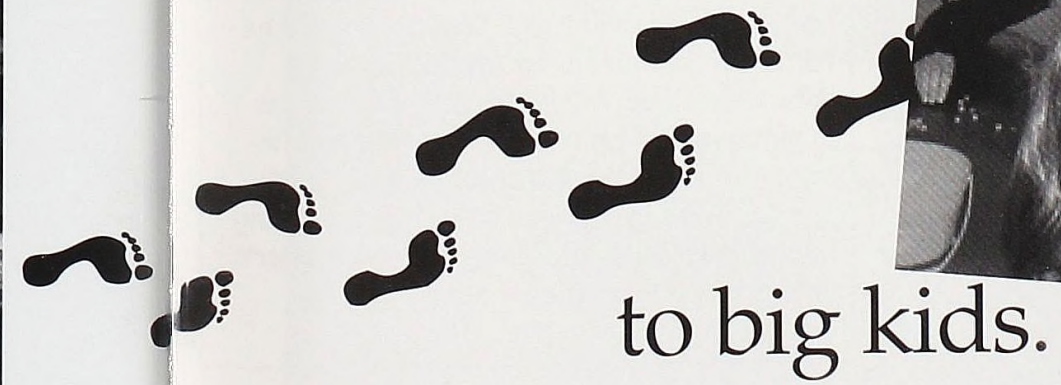
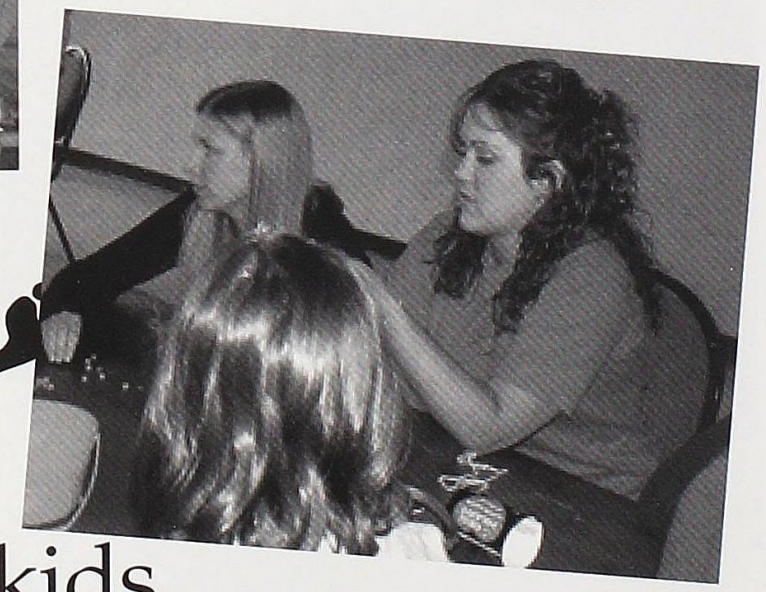
Crafty: (Above and Right) Students and their little sibs enjoy making crafts together as a planned activity during little sibs weekend. Little sibs enjoy this weekend because it gives them a chance to experience a little bit of what college life is like for their older sib.



Keeping warm: Students and their little siblings make jewelry in Jones Auditorium because it was too cold to play outside.



Looking up: (Left and Below) Little siblings learn from their older siblings how to do some of the crafts as part of an event sponsored during little sibs weekend. Other events included free swim time, play time in the recreation center, and a carnival.



to big kids.



BBQ: (Above) Alma students fill their plates at a barbecue offered by Sodexo on a sunny spring evening.



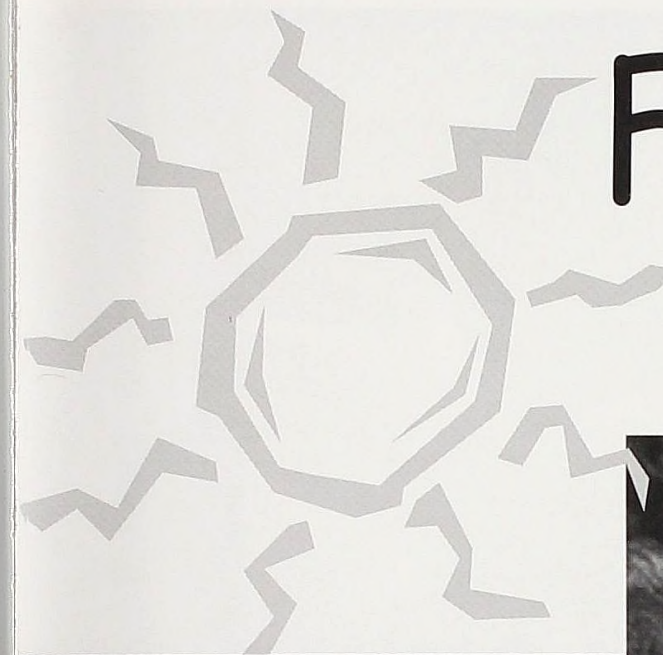
Cooling off: These students decided to cool off the evening with a big bowl of ice cream during the barbecue.

By Laura Parkes-Schaw '07

A unique thing about Alma is Spring Term which is anticipated by many students every year. As part of a liberal arts education, students are required to take two Spring Terms, one of which must be off campus. Whether they take a class abroad or on campus they are guaranteed a fun learning experience.

Students who stay on campus attend a 14-week class congested into 4 weeks. This may seem like a lot of work, but students still have time to enjoy the fun activities offered around campus. Whether it be ACUB's traditional drive-in movie night on the Chapel lawn, a barbecue in front of Mitchell Hall, or just lying around in the sun relaxing and doing homework, students can safely say there never is a dull moment during Spring Term.

Fun in the Sun



Movie time: (Above) Sam Oberman '05 and friends lay out on the chapel lawn and watch the annual ACUB drive-in movie.



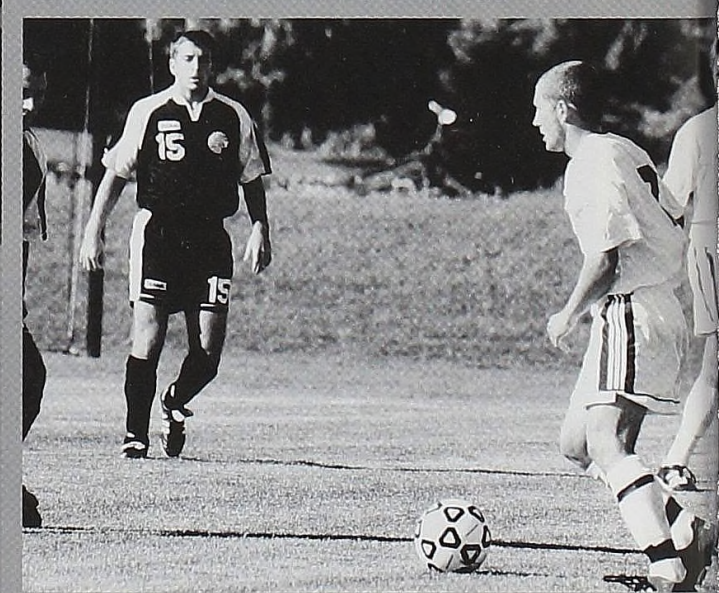
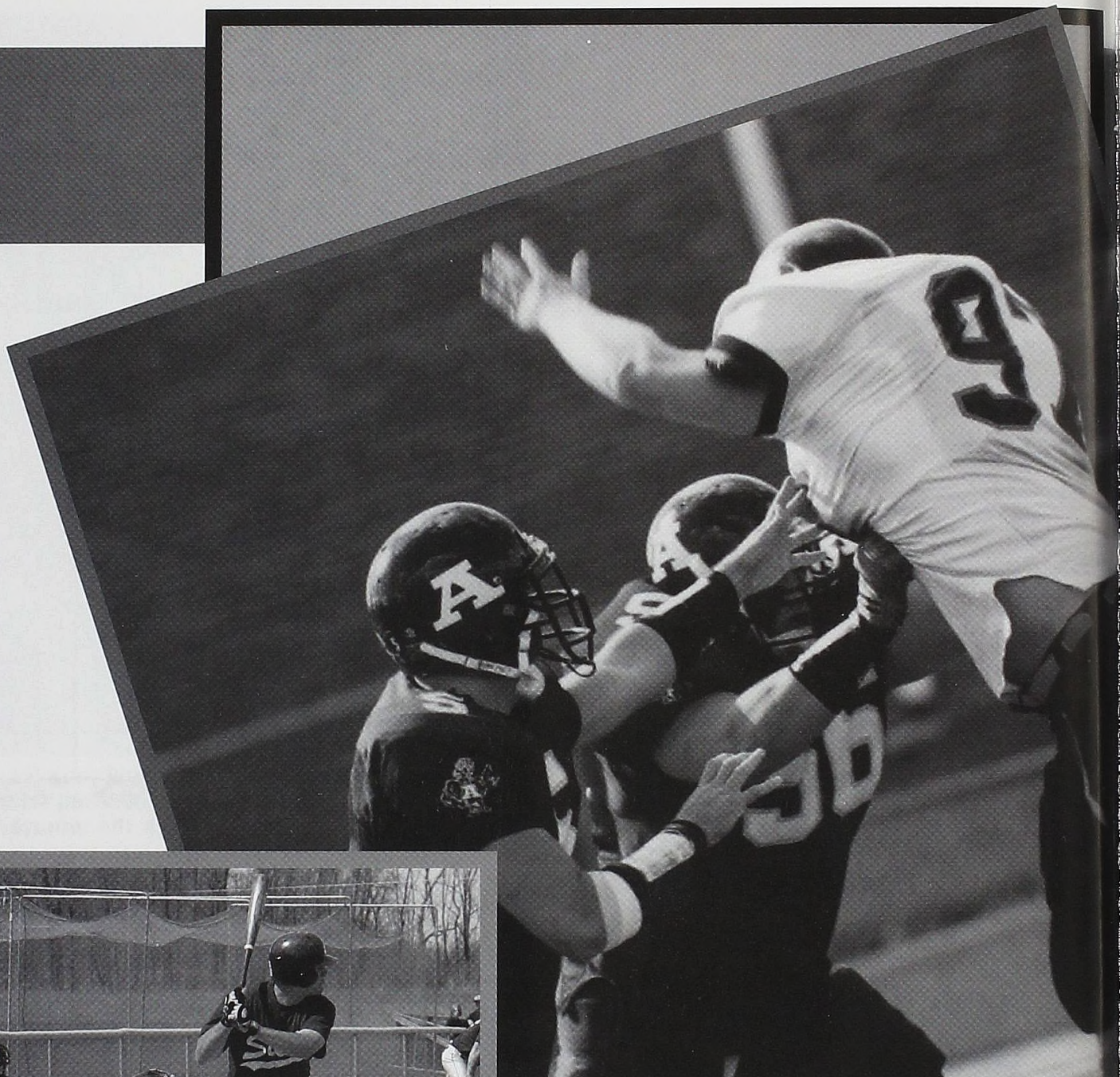
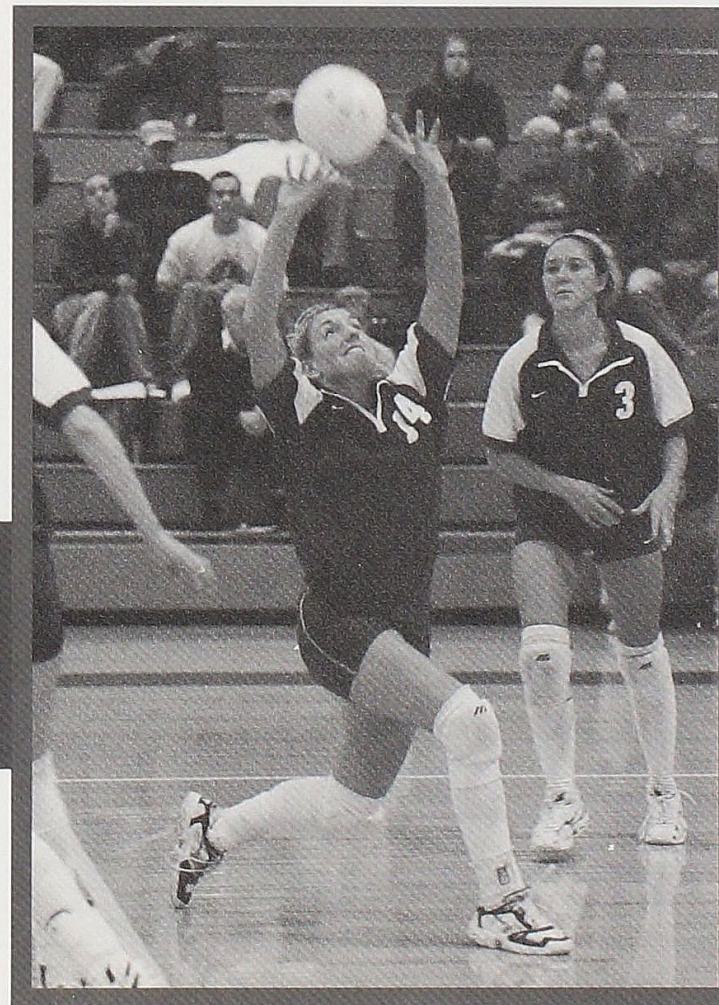
(Above) An Alma Student relaxes in her lounge chair while trying to stay warm during the drive-in movie.

(Below) Alex Bartlett '04, Aaron Engi '04, Kristin O'Neill '06, and Stu Bachner '06 sit and talk together during the Sodexo barbecue.



sports

From football, cross country, soccer, and volleyball in the fall to tennis, softball, lacrosse, and track in the spring and every sport in between, Alma athletes are dedicated to their sport and team. Perhaps they played in high school and want to continue. Perhaps they were drafted for the team because they were just that good, or maybe they play because they can't imagine not playing. Whatever the reason, Alma College athletes run, swing, kick, and score their way to victory time after time. The days might be filled with two-a-days, early morning practice, late nights studying, or early bedtimes. Weekend fun (or sleep) might be sacrificed to play in tournaments that require long bus rides and long days, but no matter what, the players give their all. When they play at home, the campus comes alive with excitement and fellow students turn out to cheer their favorite teams and classmates on. Some teams struggled to rebuild a team, while others continued to dominate the division. Either way, the players, coaches, and athletic trainers gave up time and used their talent to achieve victory for the Scots.



Cross Country

Starting out strong

The Alma women start out strong in the MIAA championships. The women did very well finishing in fifth place.



Running his heart out, Adam Sudia struggles to maintain his position. Adam was one of the team's senior runners.



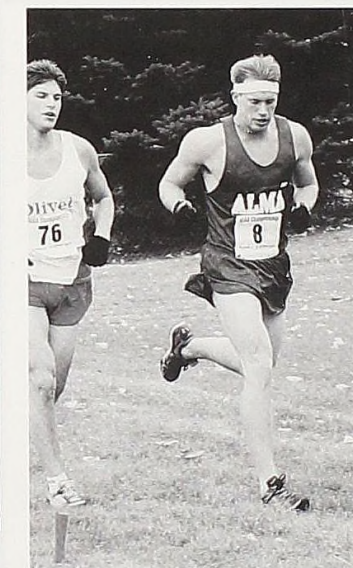
Perfect Form

With perfect form, this Scot runner will have no problem running a great race. The MIAA championships were a great chance for the Scots to shine.



Almost Finished

As the race winds down this Scot finishes his race strong.



Kickin' it up a Notch

Alice Sova '04, passes a Hope runner. Alice had a great season and was a great contributor to the team.



By Cairn McNicholas '07

The Teams



The men's team had many strong runners this year. They had strong senior leadership and many new, talented freshmen runners. They finished fourth in a great season for the Scots.



Ready to Run

On their toes as they anticipate the sound of the gun, the women's cross country team battles to finish strong in the tough MIAA conference.



In the passing lane.

Joe Whitman '06 moves up the pack and passes a Calvin runner. Joe's strength earned Alma many points in each race.



Junior Elizabeth Smith had a great season this year. She had many personal best races and improved her times greatly.

Ready, Set...GO!!!

The guys shoot off the line as the gun sounds. The Scots had a great race with many of the guys having close to their best times.

The Alma cross country teams have their work cut out for them each season. Competing in the MIAA conference with powerhouses Hope and Calvin can be difficult, but the Scots are up to the challenge. Both the men and women had great seasons and had great times at the MIAA championships. The top five for the men were: Joe Whitman, Nate Belill, Joe Bush, Andrew Messing, and Tom Sterling. The top five for the women were: Beth Colechio, Corey Cunningham, Stephanie Ogle, Regina Markel, and Deanna Babcock.

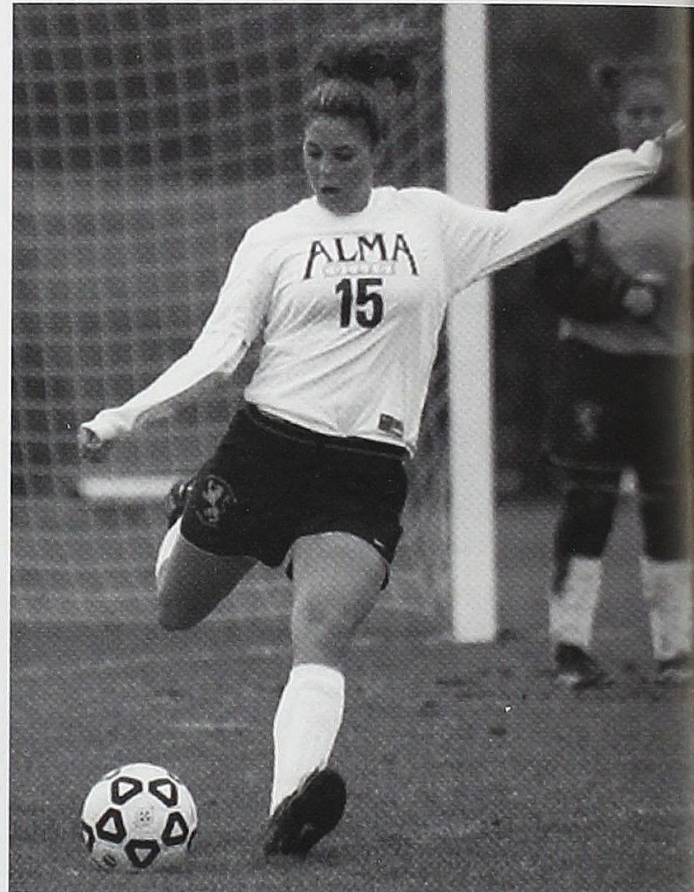
Women's Soccer

By Cairn McNicholas '07

Taking it to the next level, the women's soccer team had high hopes for the season. They started out seven and one, but then they were plagued with devastating injuries. Even though they had many setbacks, their nine victories ranked second highest for victories in a season in school history. Junior co-captain Megan Karchon was named to the All-MIAA second team. This was a great honor for the Scots, as she was the first soccer player from Alma in six years to receive this award.

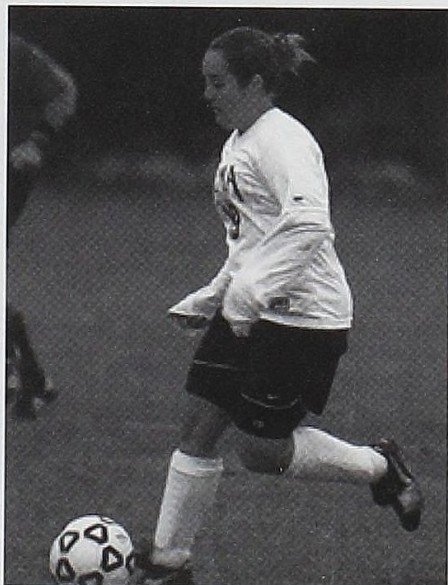
Goal Kick

Junior Stephanie Krieg takes the goal kick and sends it flying up the field.

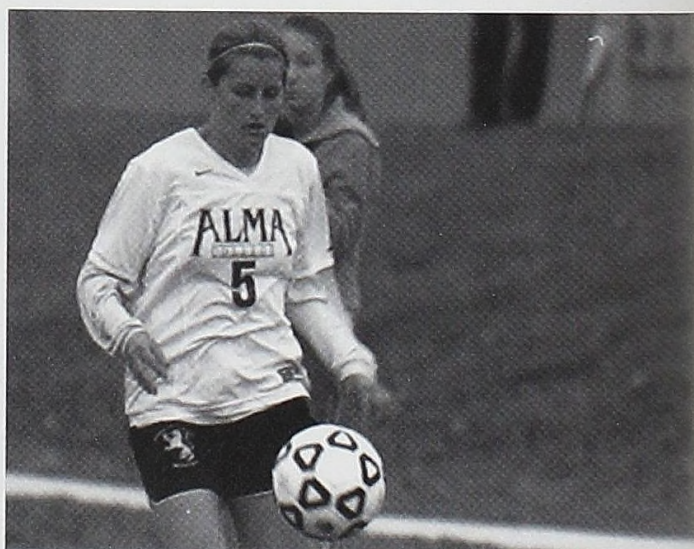


Up and Over

The Scots were always quick on throw-ins. They practiced them often so each girl knew exactly where to go and what to do.



Moving up the Field
Senior Jessica Roberts flies around the defense to score for the Scots. Jessica was a great leader for the rest of the girls on the team.

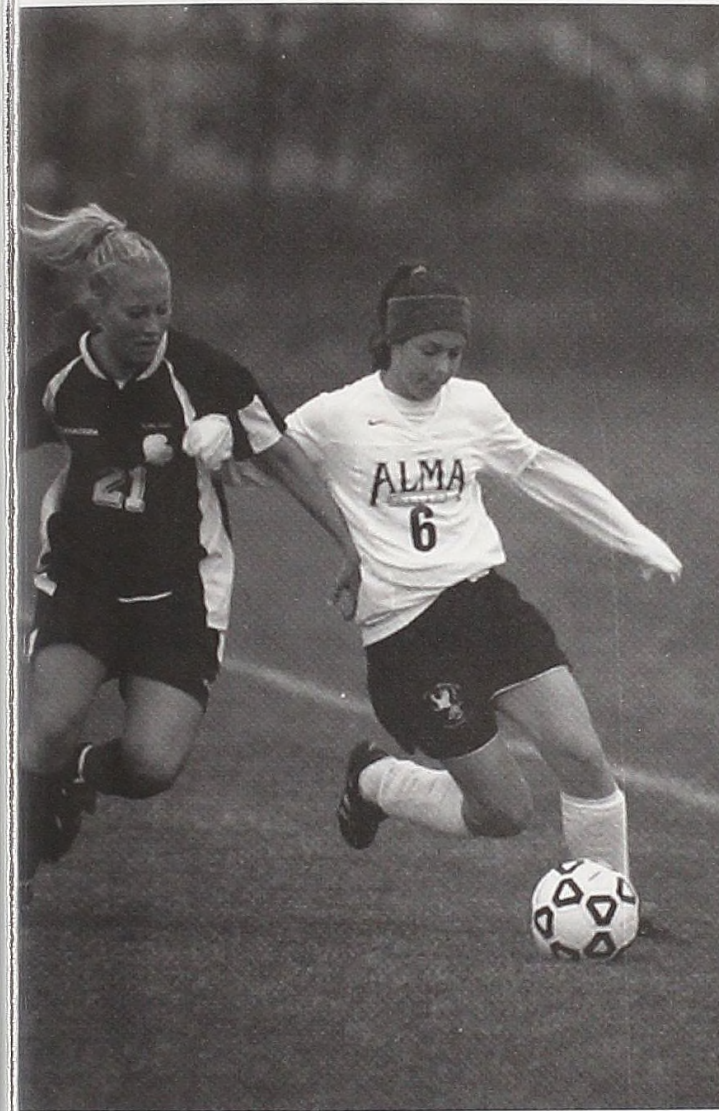


Whatever it takes

Angel Bushor '04 uses her body to trap the ball. Angel played both midfield and defense for the Lady Scots.

Excuse Me!

Sophomore Sara Monsere pushes the Hope midfielder out of her way to pass the ball up to the waiting forwards.



Statistics

	Us	Them
Tri-State	3	1
Concordia	8	1
Rochester	10	1
Concordia (WI)	7	0
Cornerstone	3	1
Grace College	0	3
Kalamazoo	3	2
Olivet	2	1
St. Mary's	2	2
Calvin	0	4
Hope	0	1
Adrian	2	0
Albion	0	3
Kalamazoo	1	2
Olivet	5	0
St. Mary's	2	3
Calvin	1	3
Hope	1	3
Adrian	1	1
Albion	3	5



Overall Record

9-9-2

MIAA Record

4-8-2



In numerical order: Corrine Haack, Sarah Ruddell, Alania Stuart, Anna Springsteen, Angel Bushor, Sara Monsere, Kristen Kuzak, Anna Lukezich, Christina Leonard, Amy Kline, Brandi Wright, Stephanie Krieg, Pam McCarthy, Sara Satterley, Jessica Roberts, Megan Karchon, Carla Soule, Sherri Vanden Bos.



New Player on the Field.

Brandi Wright '06 makes her Alma College soccer debut. Brandi played both keeper and forward for the Scots.

Great Save!

Pam McCarthy '05 makes a huge save during the Albion game. Alma was defeated 3 to 5.

Men's Soccer



Ready to Roll
Matthew Saffarian '06 throws the ball back into play. Matt played midfield for the Scots and started many games this season.

Moving up the field

The strength of the defenders this season helped the offense keep the ball in play and toward the goal.



By Cairn McNicholas '07
The 2002 Men's soccer season was a rebuilding year because many seniors were lost. Head coach, Jeff Bateson said "Our goal, to win the MIAA, is really set in their minds. They want to return to the national playoffs." Unfortunately, they did not reach their goal, but they did end up 3rd in the MIAA.

SOCCER



Tom Aceto, Josh Borgerding, Nick Chulski, Marty Ciurlik, Bill Crookston, Justin Dew, Matt Funk, Michael Goerdel, Marshall Gray, Evan Hammontree, David Kohn, Kyle Lieberman, Mike Mansfield, Cameron McLeod, Josh Morgan, Luke Oostindie, Wes Rasdorf, Bart Rizzo, Jake Roberts, Jeremiah Roberts, Scott Roberts, Mat Saffarian, Jamie Shooks, Grant Snearey, Jeff Templin, and Mike Worley.



An Alma College midfielder brings the ball up the left wing to pass it on to a forward. Alma Midfielders had to be in great shape to keep up with the speed of the game.



Use Your Head
Alma soccer players use their heads for more than just studying. This defender heads the ball out of the dangerous goal box.



Too Slow
The Aquinas forward was too slow for the quick defenders. One swift kick and the ball was halfway down the field.

Statistics

Mount Union	2	3
Heidelberg	1	0
Madonna	2	4
Wabash	2	3
Otterbein	0	3
Aquinas	2	4
Kalamazoo	3	0
Olivet	3	1
Indiana Tech	2	1
Calvin	1	2
Hope	2	1
Adrian	3	0
Albion	2	0
Kalamazoo	0	1
Olivet	2	1
Calvin	0	0
Hope	1	2
Adrian	1	0
Albion	1	2

Overall record:
7-4

Three High Table Top

During the pep rally for the MIAA Championships, the cheerleaders did a difficult stunt and requires a lot of practice to master.



Let's Go Scots!!!

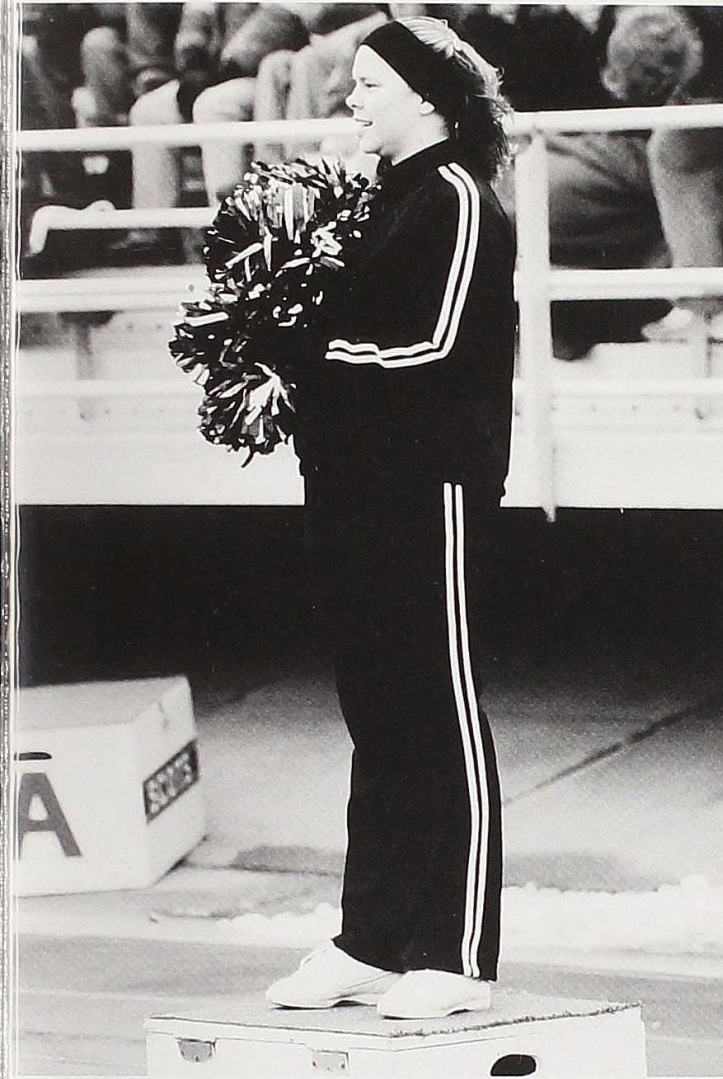
Soaring High

Amber Milikin '04 is lifted into the air to cheer for the Scots. As a veteran of the team, Amber is a leader on and off the field.



Getting Ready for Game time

The cheer team always makes a tunnel for the football team to run through before their game.

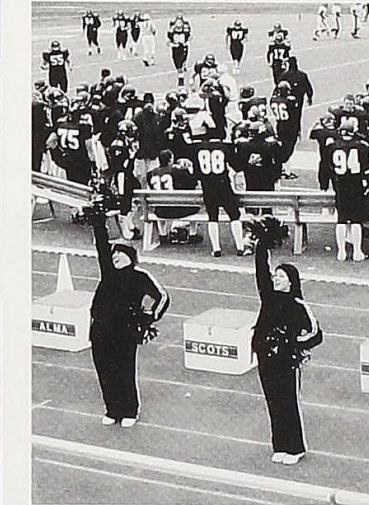


Full of Excitement

The stadium is full of action with the cheerleaders dancing while the band plays the fight song and the team attempts to kick for an extra point.

Ready to Cheer

Courtney Cuttitta '04 concentrates on watching the game so she can know when to start a cheer. Courtney lead many cheers this year and was an asset to the team.



The end draws near

As the forth quarter comes to a close, Tara Britting '06 and Amber Milikin '04 cheer on the Scots as they make the final play of the game.

Brrr...

Nicole Fisette '05 and Tiffany Balducci '06 cheer on the Scots while trying to stay warm.



Hanging out in the truck during the Homecoming parade.

Cheerleading

by Cairn McNicholas '07



Football

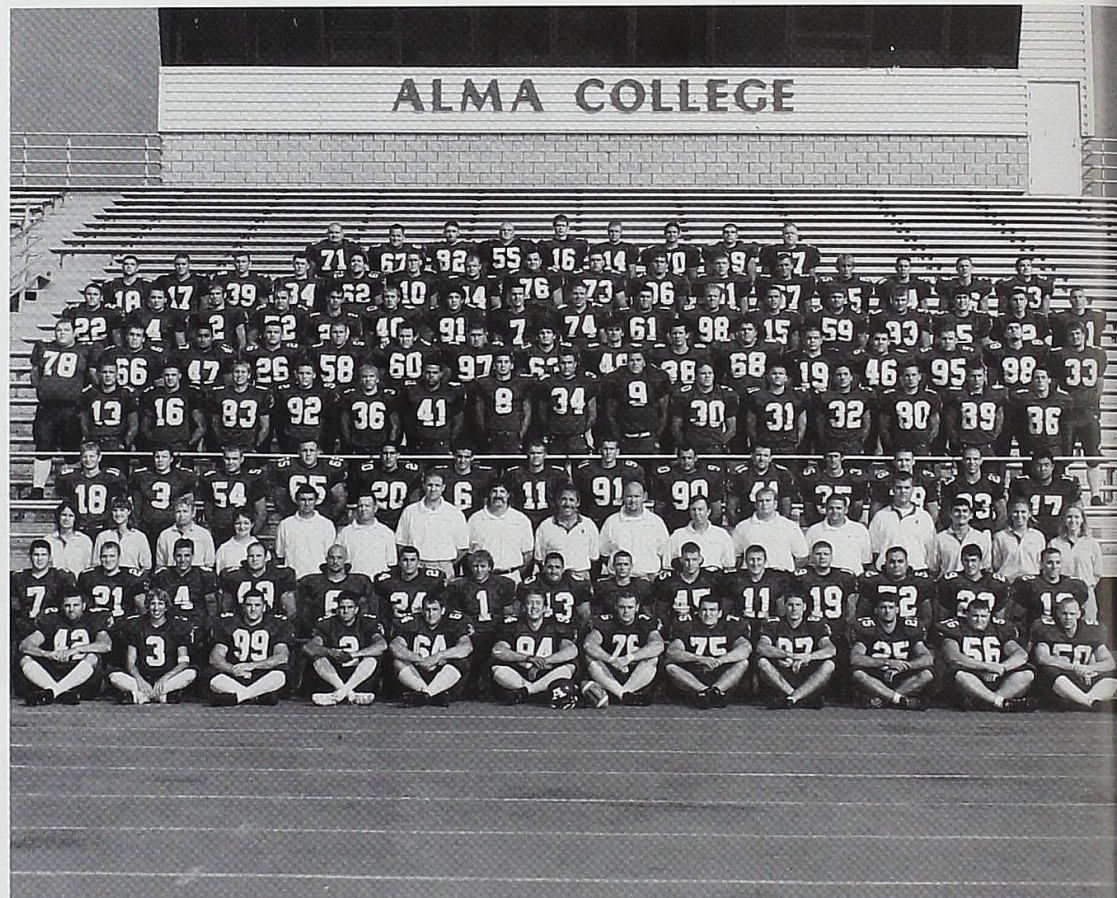
By Cairn McNicholas '07

2002 was a very good year for the Alma Scot football team. They won the MIAA Championship

game and clinched the title for the first time since 1968. The team also had many players recognized on honors lists and special teams. The many wins and successful season were the fruits of the labor the team put forth all year long.

The 2002 Football team, coaches, trainers, and support staff.

Whatever it Takes
David Simpson leaps up for an interception in the second game against Wheaton College.

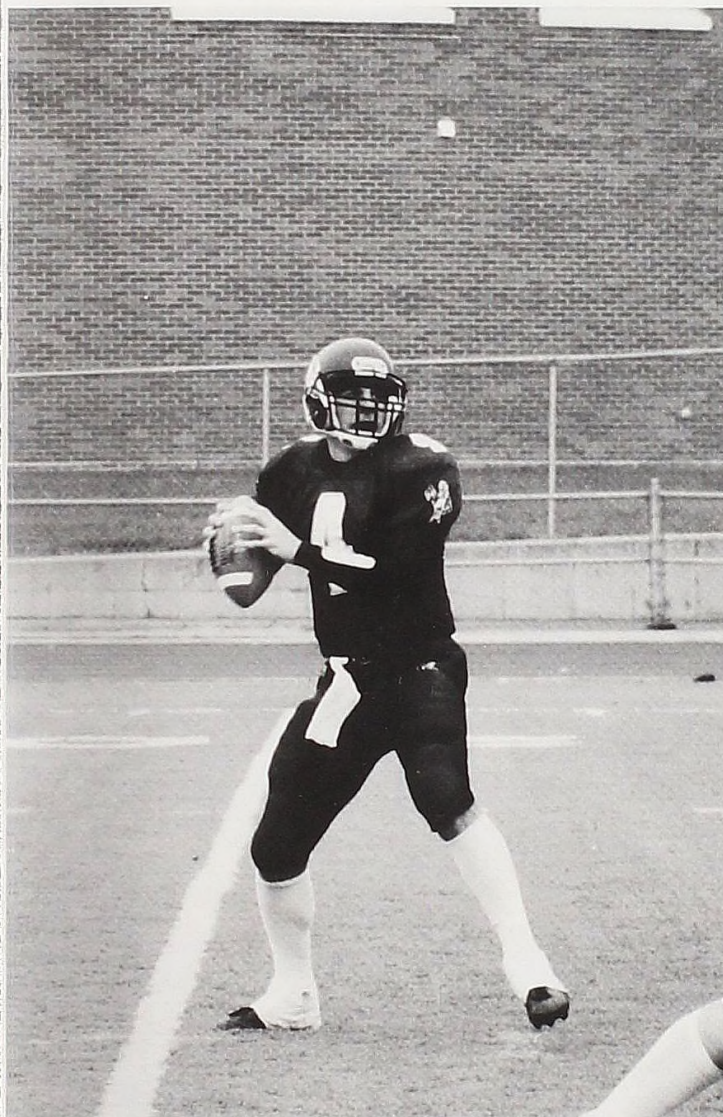


Time to Punt
Kevin Vermeesh punts off behind Matteo Lo Piccolo's block.



Big Catch
This catch was huge for the Scots as it stopped the Albion offense from scoring against the Scots.

Taking a Quick Glance
Quarterback Steve Slowke looks around the field for an open receiver to throw the ball to.



Statistics

	Us	Them
Wheaton	14	42
Adrian	27	16
Kalamazoo	34	20
Wisc. Lutheran	41	3
Albion	52	31
Olivet	21	14
Hope	59	13
Defiance	49	7
Manchester	52	18
Wheaton	23	16
Gustavus Adolphus	35	6



Overall Record 6-0

“Being part of such a successful team was a great experience.” -Matteo Lo Piccolo '04



Taking down the carrier
This Scot takes down the Wheaton carrier at the twenty yard line.



Stopping 'em in their tracks
Mike Abbey hits a Wheaton ball carrier. Mike could always be depended on to block his man.



Gotcha
Gavin Fralick successfully tackles the offence near the sideline for the Scots.

Men's and Women's Golf

By Cairn McNicholas '07

Alma College women's golf coach Charlie Goffnett will be the first to admit that this season was frustrating for him. Due to injuries and other factors, the Scots were not able to field a complete team and did not qualify for the team standings in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association championship tournament.

The Scots had four girls on the team this year. They were Courtney Reinhardt '05, Autumn Pickover '04, Abbey French, and Sarah Halbert '04.



Over half way done

Home course advantage makes the game go a little quicker. This Scot is ready to tee off on the tenth hole at the Pine River country club.

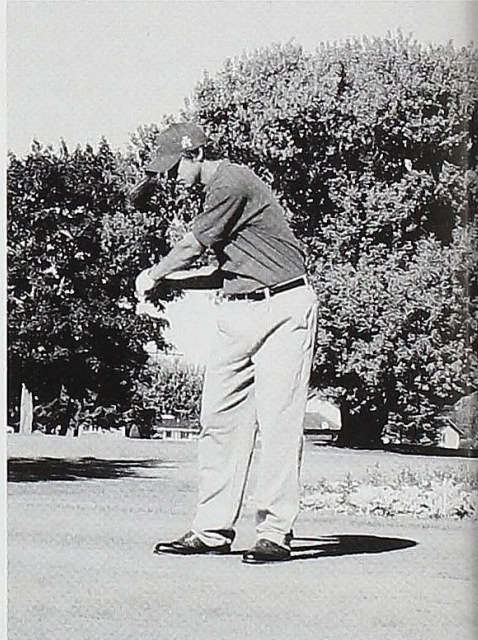


Where did the ball go?

This Scot golfer drove the ball way down the green. He hit it with such speed and force that it flew high into the air.

A Little Stretch

Abbey French '06 stretches a bit before she plays for the afternoon. Abbey had a tough season as she was injured for the majority of the season.



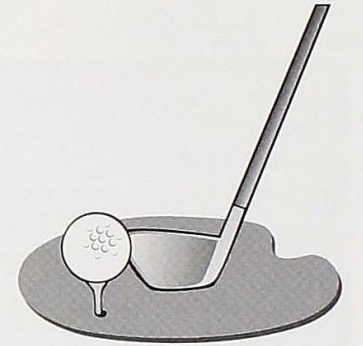
Nice Swing!

Courtney Reinhardt '05 drives down the green at the Pine River golf course. Courtney contributed a lot to the team this year. Her low scores helped the Scots gain many points.



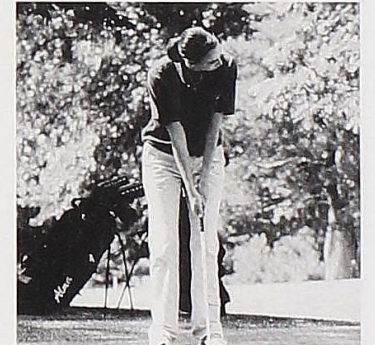
Concentration

Sarah Halbert '04 concentrates on the ball as she tees off. Halbert was a valuable asset to the team this season.



Time to putt

The Winding Creek golf course in Holland, MI proved to be difficult for the Scots.



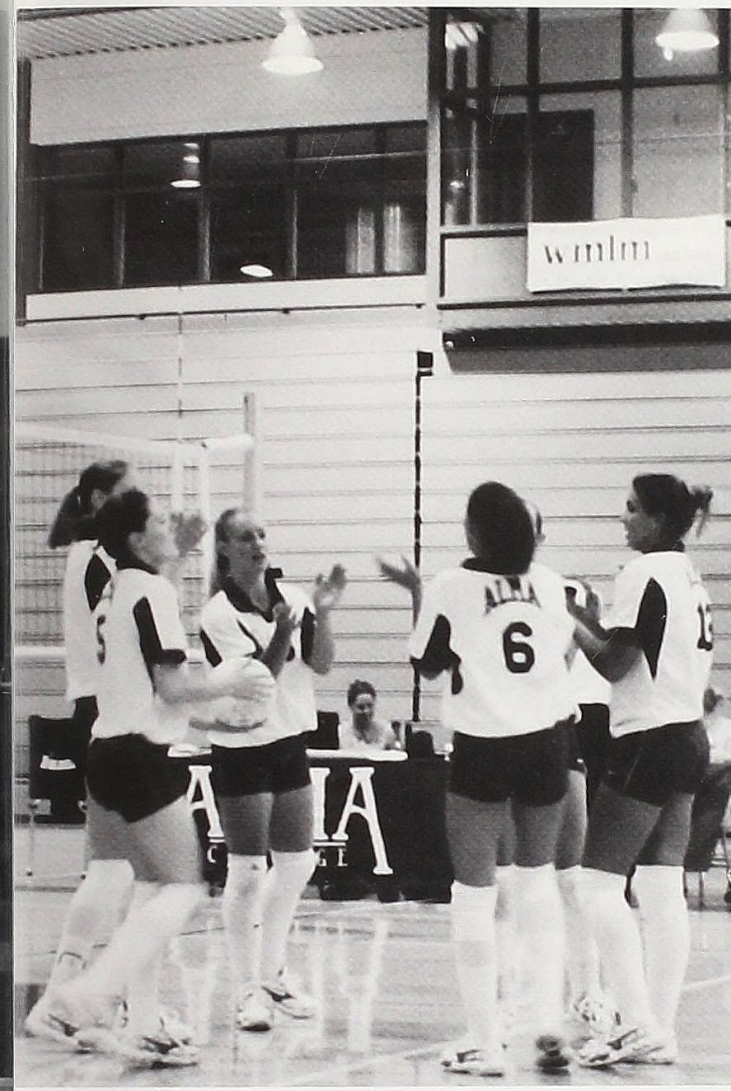
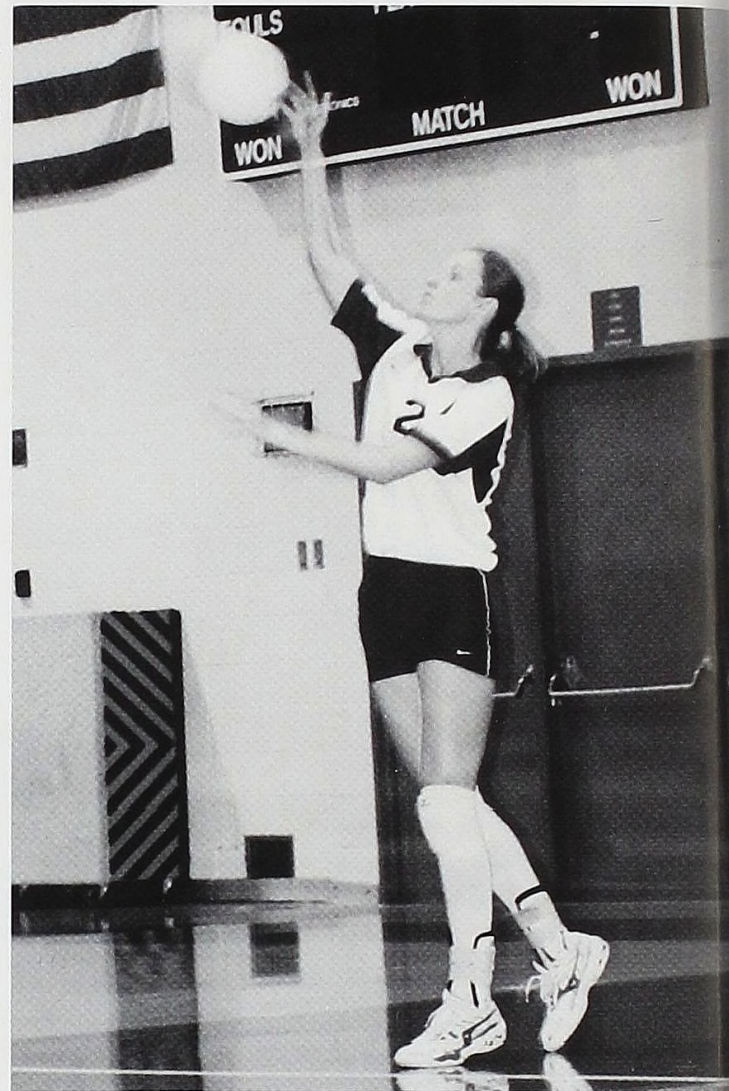
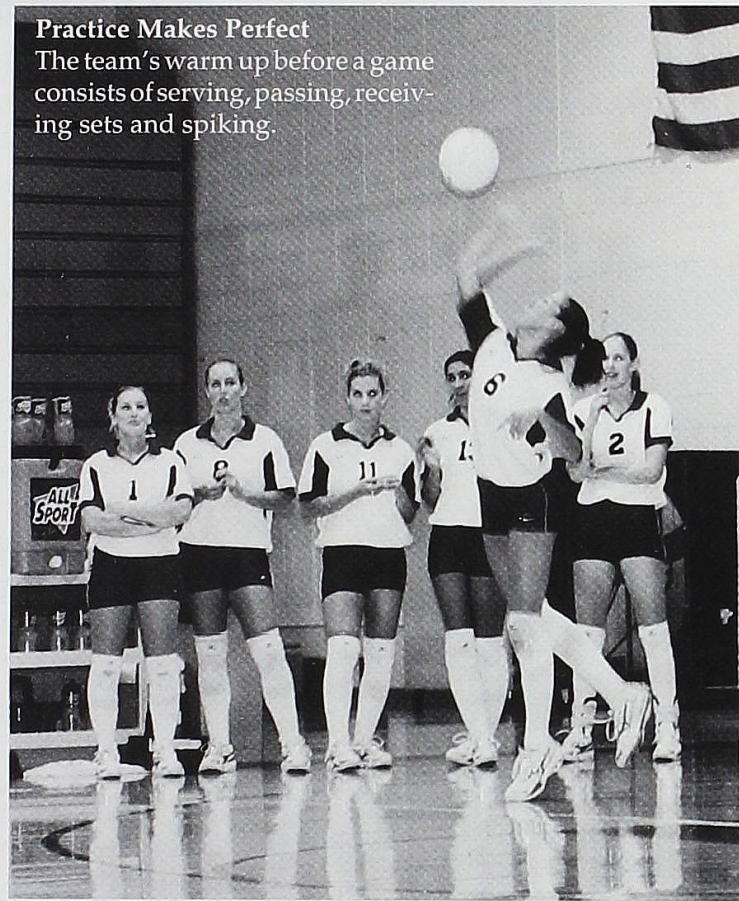
With a mix of experienced upperclassmen and talented newcomers, the Alma College men's golf team made incredible strides in 2002. Accomplishments included the team's third-place finish in the MIAA standings and three golfers finishing in the top 15 in the individual conference ranking. They were Justin Desjarlais, Ryan Munro and Ryan Riley. Desjarlais received first team all-conference honors and Riley received second team all-conference accolades.



The Scots improved throughout the 2002 season, highlighted by the team capturing first place at an MIAA Jamboree hosted by Hope College. Desjarlais and Riley were anchors of consistency for the team, averaging 77.0 and 78.0 for the season. Nathan Moulton improved with every tournament, earning his place as one of the top five finishers on the team.

Bam
Kelly O'Connor '05 has a very powerful serve. Her strong serve and quickness on the court help the Scots out a lot.

Practice Makes Perfect
The team's warm up before a game consists of serving, passing, receiving sets and spiking.



Go Scots!!!
The starting six players yell, "Go Scots" to pump themselves up before they start the second game.



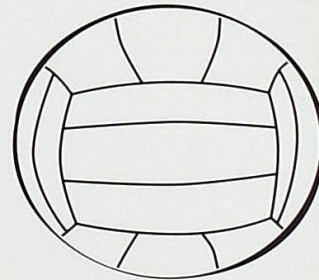
First Team MIAA
Lindsey Baker '06 was elected to the first team in the MIAA for her accomplishments and contributions to both the Scots and the MIAA conference.

Mine!
Setter Katie Moll calls the ball as it comes deep into the back of the court.



MIAA Champions

Volleyball



Bump, Set, Spike
Megan Cook '03 bumps the ball to Kelly O'Connor '05 to send to the other team.



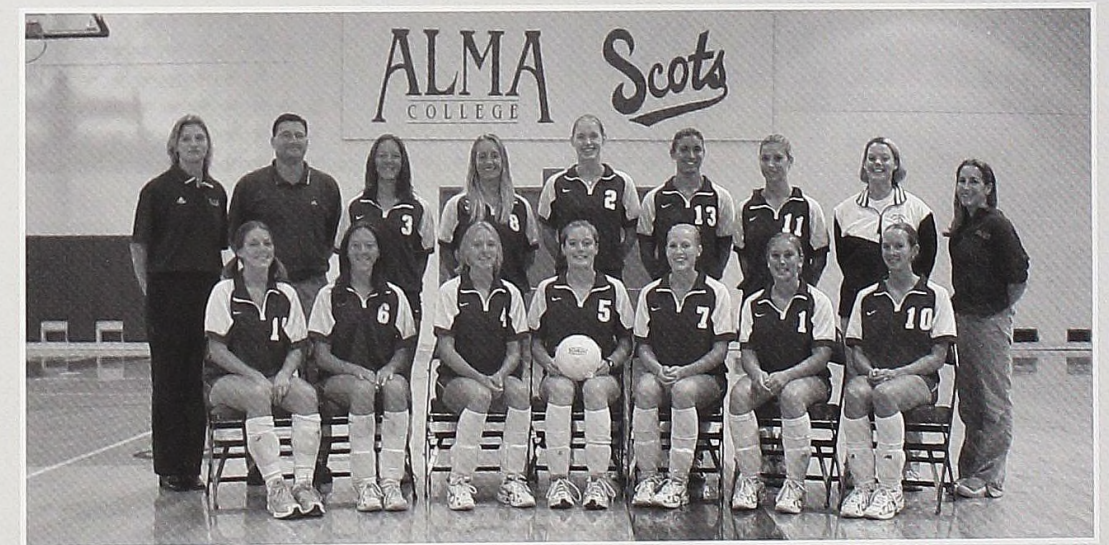
By Cairn McNicholas '07

The women's volleyball team made school history when they won the MIAA championship and tied the school record for wins in a season (24). Many girls were given honors for their accomplishments. Selected to the All-MIAA first team were Lindsey Baker and Kristin Judson. Kerri Judson and Kelly O'Connor were both placed in the All-MIAA second team. Megan Cook received Coaches Honorable Mention. Kerri Judson, Kelly O'Connor, Lindsey Baker, and Megan Cook were also all named MIAA player of the week.



Statistics

	Us	Them
Kalamazoo	1	3
Hope	3	0
Olivet	3	0
Kalamazoo	2	3
SVSU	3	0
St. Mary's	3	0
Adrian	3	2
Olivet	3	0
Albion	2	1
Hope	3	0
Calvin	1	2
Colorado	0	3
Colorado	1	2
Chapman	0	3
St. Benedict	3	0
St. Mary's	3	0
Kalamazoo	3	2
Defiance	3	1
St. Joseph	0	3
Adrian	3	1
Olivet	3	0
Albion	3	0
Hope	3	1
Kalamazoo	2	3
John Carroll	2	3
Mt. Union	2	3
Calvin	3	1
St. Mary's	3	0
Aquinas	3	0
Carthage	3	0
Tri-State	3	0



Front Row: Marlena Dreffs, Kristin Judson, Katie Moll, Megan Cook, Theresa Miller, Brandi Wangler, Lindsey Baker.
Back Row: Kerri Judson, Sarah Harrelson, Kelly O'Connor, Stefanie Erndt, Michelle Dupuis.

Men's and Women's

Swimming & Diving

By Cairn McNicholas '07

Hard work does pay off...



The men's swimming and diving team finished fifth in the MIAA. Although there were several ups and downs for the Scots during the season, they finished on a high note at the conference meet, where as a team, they achieved 92 percent of their best times for the season. Head Coach Greg Baadte commented, "The team's performance in the conference meet was huge for us and hopefully sets the tone for the upcoming season."

The women finished fourth in the MIAA standings. The women had a strong season in a very tough MIAA conference. They prepared well and gave their best at every invitational and meet that they participated in.



The Team



Nick Dunkle, Will Eubank, Keith Hansen, Will Heyd, Cole Hughes, Erik Johnson, Colin McLaughlin, Ban McDonald, Jonathon Naile, Chris Porter, Mike Porter, Chris Walker, JJ Westgate, Lyndsy Carr, Emily Dolan, Stephanie Druskins, Rosemary Dutka, Rebecca Emerson, Julie Fatone, Jennifer Georges, Morgan Hansen, Brianne Hauser, Meredith Henry, Jill Johnston, Ashley Meyers, Elizabeth Smith, Katherine Steiber, Theresa Thompson, Erin Wicker, Jaci Wilkie.

These four Scots all had great races at the Wheaton College Invitational in Wheaton, Illinois. The months of preparation, dedication, were all worth it.

Team Thoughts

Erin Wicker



"Getting up for morning practices can be tough, but I enjoy swimming so I put up with it!"

Colin McLaughlin

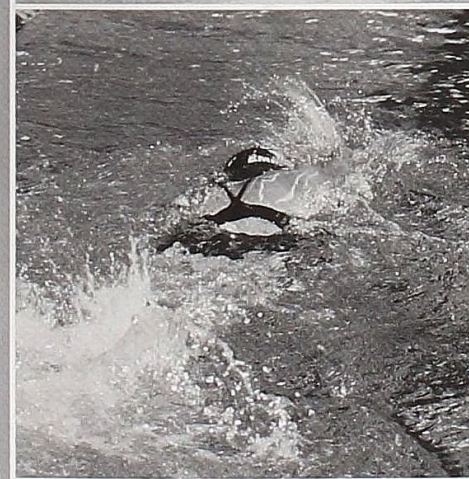
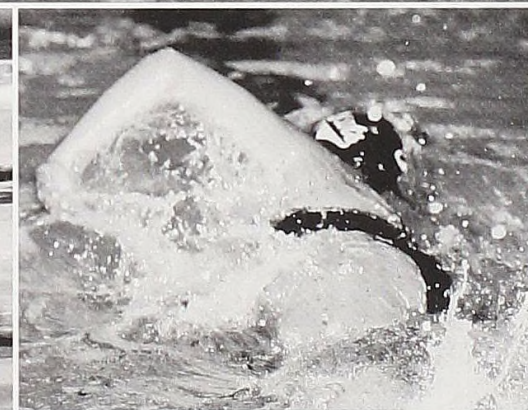
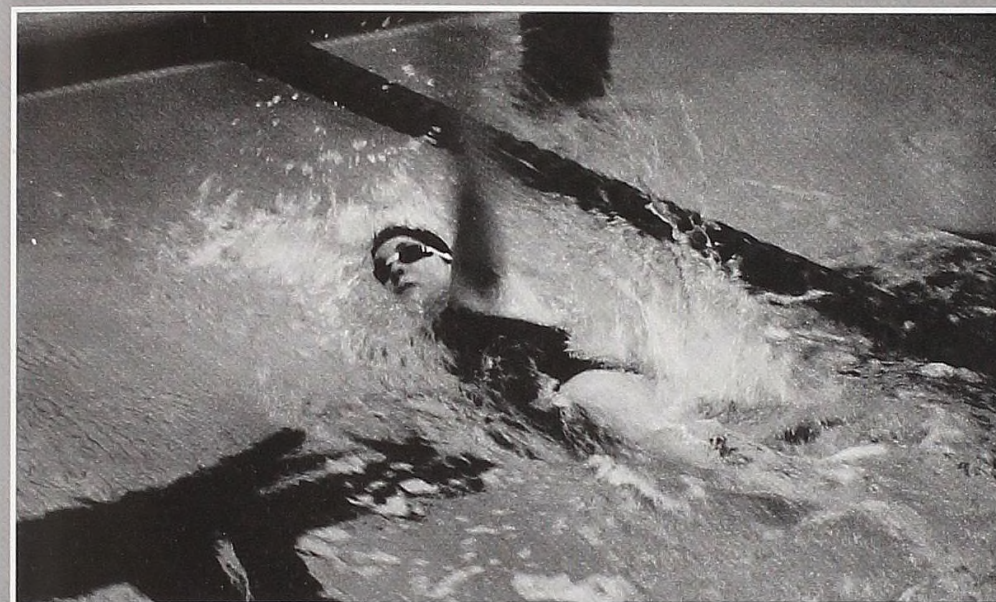


"Swimming at Alma can be tough. It's hard to find time to get everything in. Sometimes it is stressful, but it is definitely worth it."

Elizabeth Smith

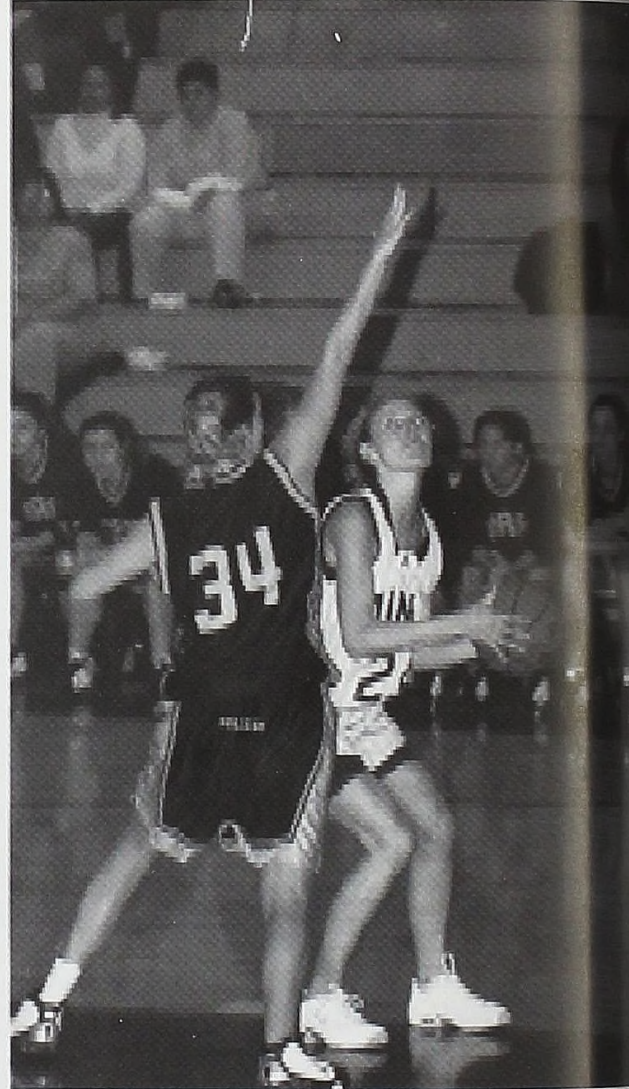


"I really enjoy swimming at Alma. Going to practice and working out helps me take my mind off of school and helps me get rid of extra stress in my life."





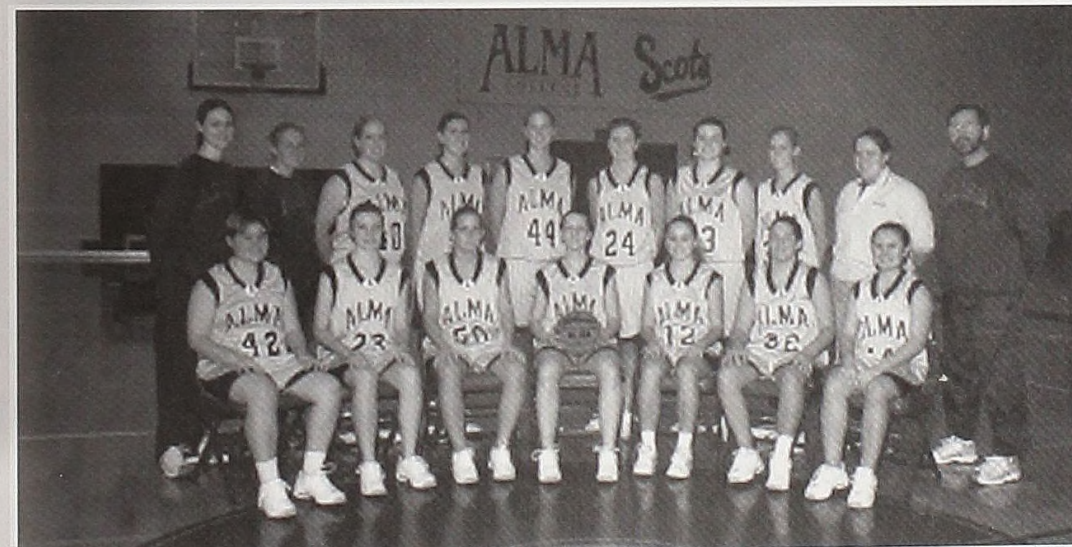
Too slow
The Olivet player is too slow for the quick Scot forward. The Scots had a great offensive team this year.



By Cairn McNicholas '07

Women's Basketball

The women's basketball team had a very successful season. Many team and personal goals were met. Shelly Ulfig had a great year as she beat the school record of cumulative points in a college career. She scored over 1,000 points in her four years at Alma.



Statistics

	Us	Them
Hope	49	63
Olivet	67	52
Adrian	64	44
St. Mary's	59	42
Calvin	54	37
Adrian	66	57
Olivet	64	75
Hope	70	57
Kalamazoo	52	56
Albion	58	47
St. Mary's	68	54
Calvin	63	55
Adrian	66	53
Olivet	70	75
Hope	66	89
Kalamazoo	83	71
Albion	59	56
St. Lawrence	61	53
Aquinas	81	70
Spring Arbor	58	92
North Central	62	49
Westminster	69	52
Concordia	83	51
Franklin	49	69
Rochester	60	79

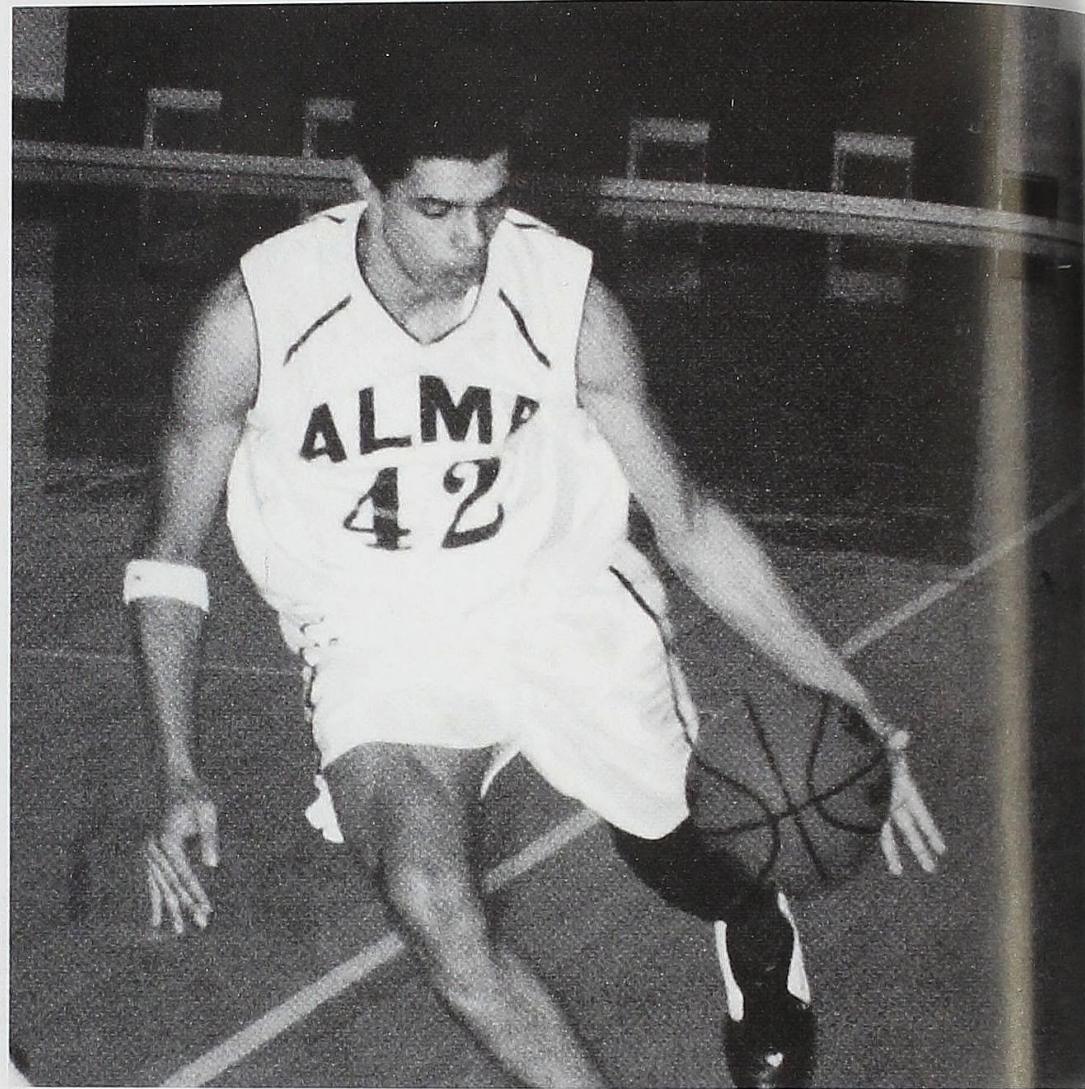
In alphabetical order: Julia Anderson, Catherine Ballentine, Ashley Borcharding, Michelle Dettling, Kristie Gehrs, Lauren Graves, Karen Hall, Anne Love, Jillian MacDonald, Katey Peacock, Jesse Rosten, Janell Twietmeyer, Shelly Ulfig, Haley Underwood, Mindy VanDamme.



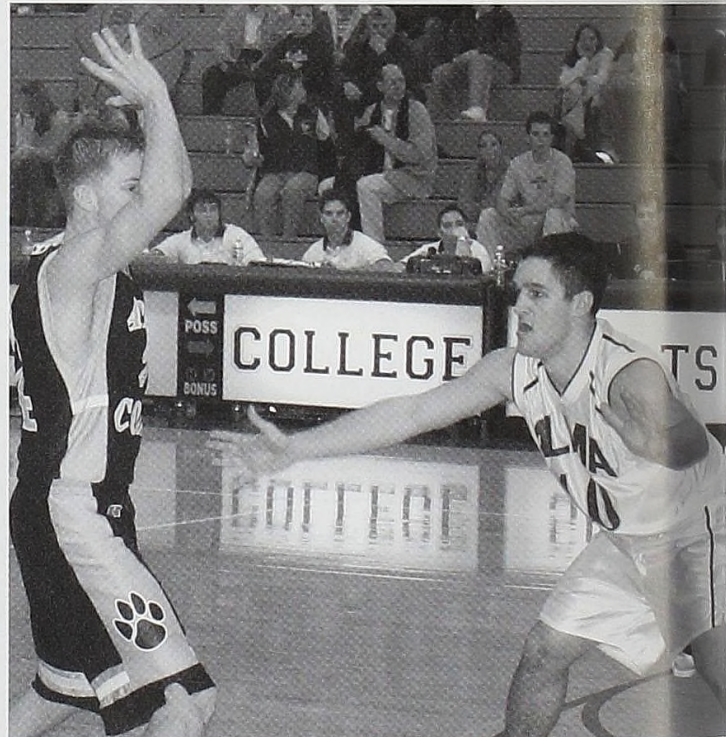
Moving on up
 Jeff Salling brings the ball up the court during the game against Hope College.

Men's Basketball

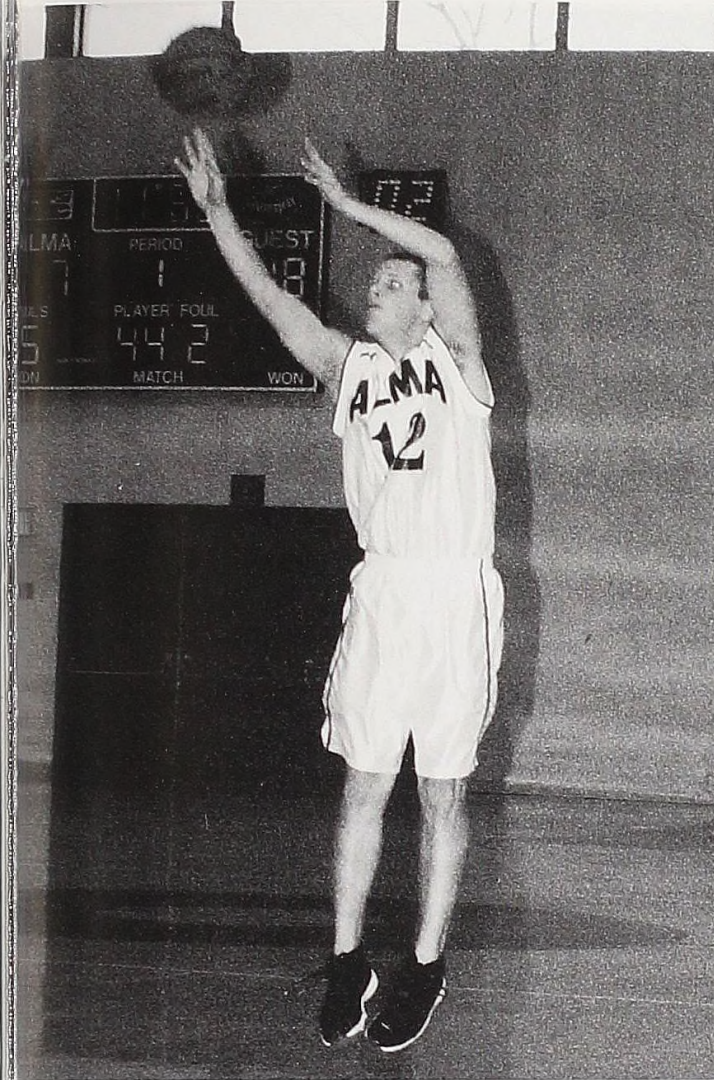
With a young team and lots of dedication, the Scots left their mark on the MIAA conference. Although they did not have the best record, the team met their season goals. Rob Taylor made second team All-MIAA. Team awards went to Taylor as the Most Improved Player and Cory Heitsch received the Coaches Award. By Cairn McNicholas '07



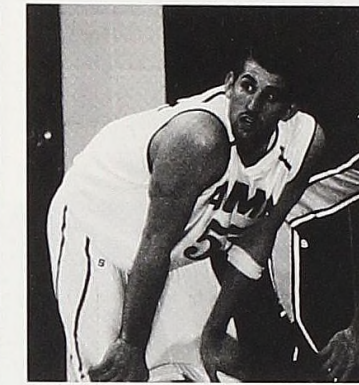
Boxed in and no where to go, this Scot looks for a teammate to pass the ball to.



Freshman guard Charlie Gross keeps this Adrian player from passing the ball down the court. Charlie played the entire season for the Varsity team.



Good for Two?
 Freshman stand out player Josh Morgan takes a shot on an open basket.



The Lone Senior
 Rob Taylor was the only senior on the team. Rob displayed leadership for the younger players both on and off the court.

Watch Out Knights...
 The Scots put up a good fight against the Calvin Knights, but unfortunately they did not win.



In alphabetical order: Nate Ashcraft, Fred Anthony, Joe Baysdell, Eric Beasley, Robert Bentley, Mike Borgert, Charlie Gross, Cory Heitsch, Carlton Hill, Nate Jervey, Eric Jones, Josh Latz, Iain MacAlpine, Josh Morgan, Greg Nelson, Pat Ott, Peter Ott, Clayton Roberts, Jeff Salling, Marcus Staten, Adam Stefanski, Rob Taylor, and Brandon Teenier.

Statistics

	Us	Them
Nazareth	72	81
Oberlin	68	52
Allgeheny	58	64
Westminster	77	84
Spring Arbor	54	62
Aquinas	69	83
Kendall	66	73
Cornerstone	79	84
Anderson	68	69
Grace Bible	67	62
Bethel	66	83
Adrian	61	73
Finlandia	78	63
Kalamazoo	58	68
Olivet	71	81
Hope	70	86
Albion	58	73
Adrian	78	93
Calvin	67	76
Kalamazoo	57	78
Olivet	60	62
Hope	78	82
Albion	41	64
Calvin	55	69
Hope	73	86

WOMEN'S

2003 Roster

Dawna Anderson
 Vallory Babyar
 Tifarah Brumback
 Elizabeth Colechio
 Amanda Dusendang
 Thyra Folk
 Sarah Harrelson
 Erin McFarland
 Eryn Mercer
 Andrea Miller
 Krystle Mohawk
 Dannielle Poulson
 Kim Sinclair
 Roberta Squires
 Erin Stone
 Jennifer Timmer
 Jane Travis
 Mindy VanDamme
 Erin Wicker
 Wendy Wohlfeill

TRACK

Playing in the Sand

Winning the long jump added extra points for the Scots during the dual meet between Hope and Olivet. Alma didn't have the strongest field teams, but they competed to the best of their abilities and always gave one hundred percent.

BANG!!!

The sprinters shoot off the line as the gun sounds. Alma had very strong sprinters this season.

Kickin' it in

Hurdles are a very difficult skill to learn, but this Scot has them figured out.



Making Another Loop

This distance runner spends her days running countless laps around the track.



Top Performances		
Event	Dist./ Time	Name
Shot Put	36-10	E. Wicker
Discus	97-6 1/4	E. Wicker
Javelin	109-2	S. Harrelson
Triple Jump	33-5 3/4	E. McFarland
High Jump	4-9 3/4	T. Brumback
Long Jump	16-2	E. McFarland
Pole Vault	9-11 3/4	T. Folk
10,000m	41:56.57	D. Anderson
3,000m	11:38.9	E. Smith
Steeplechase	12:12.6	E. Smith
4x100 Relay	51.19	Alma "A"
1,500m	5:06.01	E. Smith
100 hurdles	16.96	E. McFarland
400m	59.71	R. Squires
100m	13.50	S. Harrelson
800m	2:28.18	V. Babyar
200m	26.8	R. Squires
400 hurdles	1:09.05	W. Wohlfeill
5,000m	19:55.15	E. Smith
4x400 Relay	4:12.95	Alma "A"



Up and Over

With the right form and speed this Scot will easily clear the bar during the High Jump portion of the meet.

You Got It!

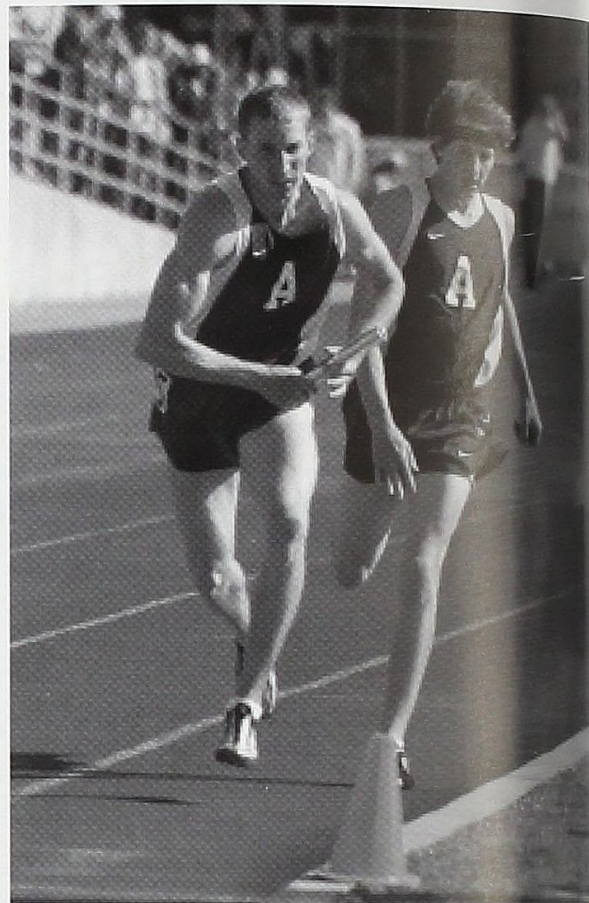
In the home stretch, the Scots know when to sprint to pass the other runners.

Grab the Baton

In one of the few "team" events in track, the relays require great communication and dedication to the other guys on your team.

Top Performances

Event	Time/Dist.	Name
Shot Put	43-6	Kyle Lawrence
Discus	126-10	Phil Neeb
Javelin	180-0	Dan Draper
Triple Jump	43-7	Gavin Cornwell
High Jump	5-10	Dan Draper
Long Jump	21-9 3/4	Gavin Cornwell
Pole Vault	16-0	Mike Palmer
10,000m	37:47.67	Matt Seipke
3,000m	10:10.1	Dirk Callahan
Steeplechase	9:48.55	Joe Whitman
4x100 Relay	43.76	Alma "A"
1,500m	4:12.39	Tom Sterling
110 hurdles	15.40	Dan Draper
400m	48.88	Mike Palmer
100m	11.02	A.J. Smith
800m	1:59.21	Tom Sterling
200m	22.4	Wes Rasdorf
400 hurdles	59.86	Dan Draper
5,000m	16:27.80	Joe Whitman
4x400 Relay	3:32.69	Alma "A"



2003 Roster

- Chad Abbey '06
- Nate Ashcraft '06
- Chris Bacon '04
- Joe Baysdell '05
- Dirk Callahan '05
- Gavin Cornwell '04
- Tony Cuttitta '06
- Chris Davis '04
- Joe Dey '05
- Dan Draper '03
- D'Juan Hartsfield '06
- Cory Heitsch '03
- Calvin Hilson '06
- Greg Jacobs '05
- Matt Johnson '03
- Kyle Lawrence '04
- Colin McLaughlin '04
- Andrew Messing '06
- David Morgan '06
- Phil Neeb '06
- Paul Notolli '05
- Mike Palmer '04
- Wes Rasdorf '05
- Clayton Roberts '06
- Matt Seipke '06
- Tony Shrum '03
- A.J. Smith '03
- Marcus Staten '06
- Ryan Stauffer '06
- Tom Sterling '03
- Clyde Wakefield '04
- Joe Whitman '05
- Garret Whitmore '06

By Cairn McNicholas '07

TRACK & FIELD

Concentration

Kyle Lawrence '04 looks down the field to where he wants to place the shot put during the Calvin meet.



Flying High

Michael Palmer '04 pole vaults high above the bar.



Going the Distance

Running around in circles is no problem for Colin McLaughlin '04. Colin runs middle and long distance for the Scots.



Almost Finished

These two tired Scots have had a long race and are ready to rest before their next events.



During the MIAA Championships held at Bahlke Field, Alma runners had great times, and distances.



Wind Up
Leigh Ann LaFave '05 gets ready to pitch in the ninth inning of the game. Leigh could always be counted on to help the Scots.



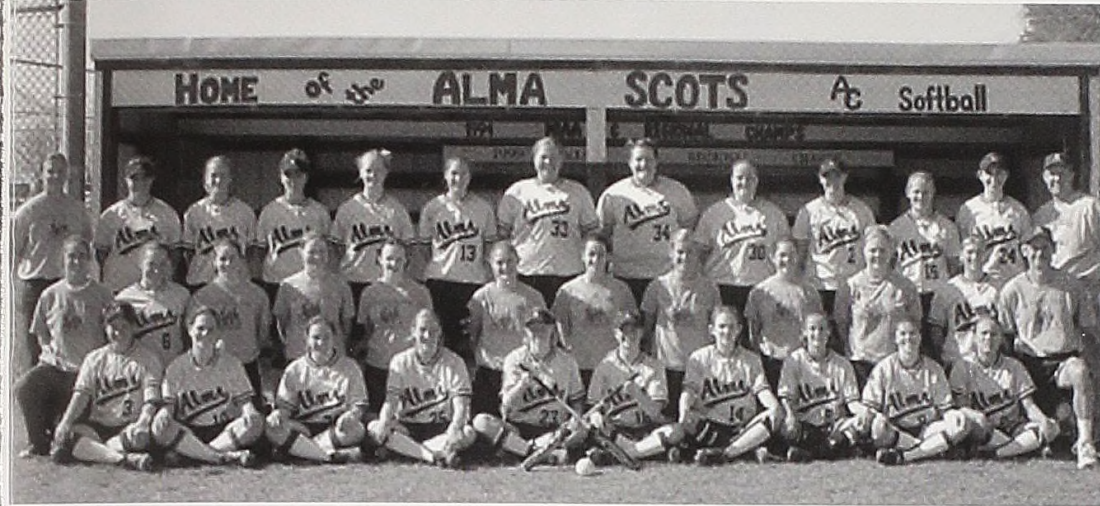
Taking Off
As she hears the crack of the bat, this Scot sprints from first to second base.



Safe
Getting ready to slide into base, Bryann DeZeeuw, '06 sprints for first base after sending the ball deep into the outfield.



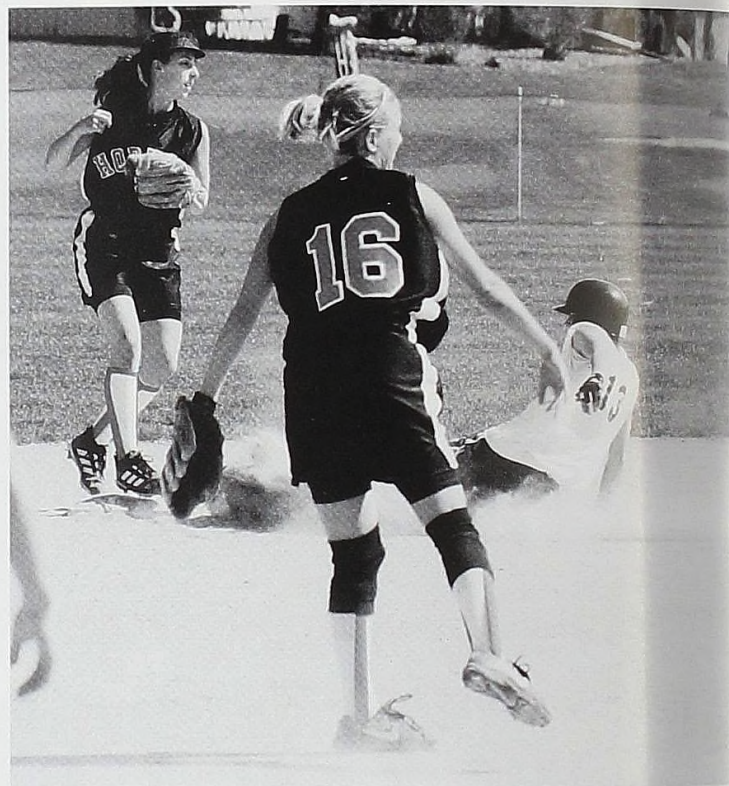
Great Catch
Megan Colligan '06 makes a game saving catch at first base during the game against Hope College.



Roster in numerical order:
Leigh Ann LaFave, Stephanie Smith, Jennifer Herbert, Colleen Trybus, Laura Rochon, Mary Pietsch, Anne Westerman, Kelly Schmuckal, Eileen Butler, Audra Reynolds, Julie Wiest, Megan Knochel, Leslie Hohlbein, Kim Light, Erin Carson, Kim Thielke, Maureen Campbell, Julie Lee, Melissa Travidian, Meghan Kleeves, Jamie Stahl, Christy Brewer, Katie Eustice, Laura Bell, Bryann DeZeeuw, Anna Brostrom, Andrea Lunsted, Paula Stanford, Kristy Muxlow, Angela Zamarripa, Lindsay Powers, Megan Colligan, Candice Stahl, Samantha Sugar.

Softball

Alma College has the great honor of being the home to the 2003 MIAA Champions.



By Cairn McNicholas '07

The 2003 Women's softball team had a very successful season with an impeccable season record, winning the MIAA championship, and having many team members placed on honorary teams. The Scots won their seventh straight regular season title in the MIAA with a 12-2 record. Alma then won the conference

tournament to earn an automatic berth to the NCAA Division III play-offs. MIAA Selections were Erin Carson as Offensive Player MVP. First team members included: Leigh Ann LaFave and Colleen Trybus. Second team members were: Katy Eustice, Lindsay Powers, Laura Rochon, and Julie Wiest. Honorable mention members included: Kelly Schmuckal and Stephanie Smith.

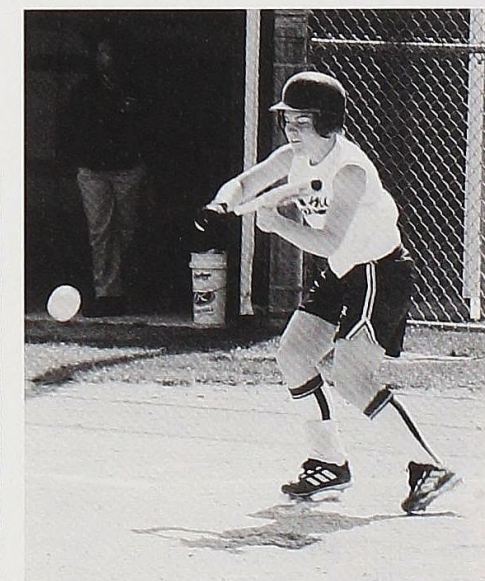


Statistics

	Us	Them
St. Michael's	3	0
SUNY	13	0
SUNY	8	0
St. Michael's	15	0
Capital Univ.	2	0
Florida Golf Coast	1	9
Adrian	11	0
St. Michael's	5	0
Mercyhurst	2	0
SUNY	7	0
Tri-State	2	1
Northwood	4	2
Aquinas	3	2
Lake Superior	5	1
Aquinas	4	6
Bluffton	9	0
Bluffton	9	0
Kalamazoo	8	0
Kalamazoo	12	1
Albion	1	2
Albion	7	4
Calvin	2	0
Calvin	3	4
Adrian	18	0
Adrian	15	2
Olivet	3	2
Olivet	9	7
Hope	4	1
Hope	5	1
St. Mary's	9	0
St. Mary's	8	0
Olivet	4	0
Albion	8	1
Olivet	2	1
Bethany	7	0
Muskingum	1	2
Cabrini	7	2
Muskingum	1	6

MIAA Record 12-2-0

Overall Record 32-6-0



Men's Baseball

Hanover College: 0-7 L	Capital University: 9-4 W	Hope College: 2-4 L	Olivet College: 3-4 L	Calvin: 10-7 W	Kalamazoo: 6-0 W
Capital University: 12-6 W	Hanover College: 1-3 L	Hope College: 1-4 L	Northwood: 6-14 L	Calvin: 8-3 W	Kalamazoo: 3-2 W
St. Vincent College: 3-12 L	St. Vincent College: 5-6 L	Hope College: 3-6 L	Northwood: 7-14 L	Albion: 6-4 W	Adrian: 3-2 W
St. Vincent College: 2-6 L	Manchester College: 3-10 L	Olivet College: 4-3 W	Albion College: 4-3 W	Albion: 3-4 L	Adrian: 2-7 L
St. Vincent College: 1-6 L	Manchester College: 7-4 W	Olivet College: 1-12 L	Calvin College: 8-2 W	Kalamazoo: 12-2 W	Adrian: 2-1 W

Scots in Action

By Cairn McNicholas '07

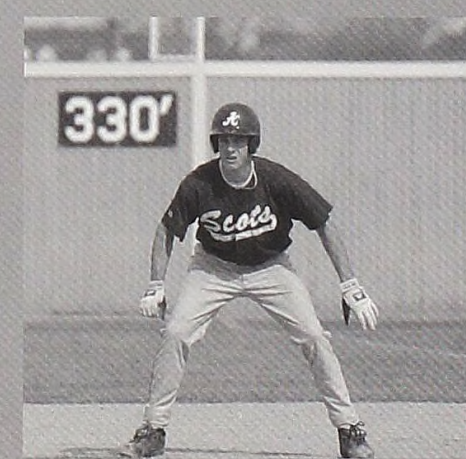
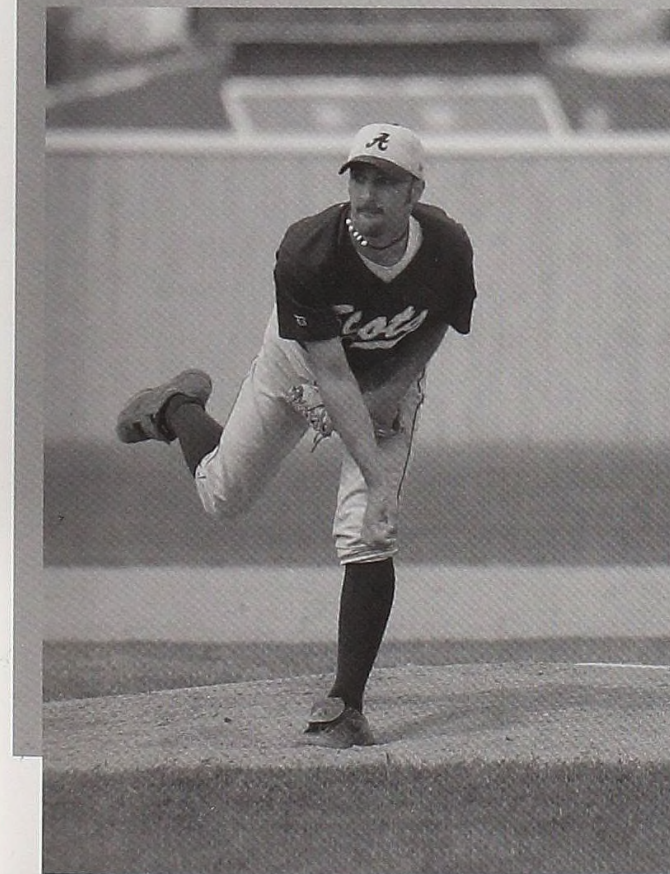
The Alma Scots men's baseball team had a great season. They had a conference record of eleven wins, seven losses and zero ties. The team was filled with senior leadership which really helped the younger players get acclimated to college baseball. Many awards were given out this year. Receiving the captains award were Chris Krebs '04, Steve Slowke '03, and Nick Duflo '03. The hitting award went to Mike Zuehlke '06 and Chris Krebs '04. Earning the pitch-



ing award were Chris Krebs '04 and Pete Ott '06. The coaches award was given to Ray Ribitch. The most improved player went to Jim Wegener. Most valuable player was shared by Nick Duflo '03 and Steve Slowke '03.

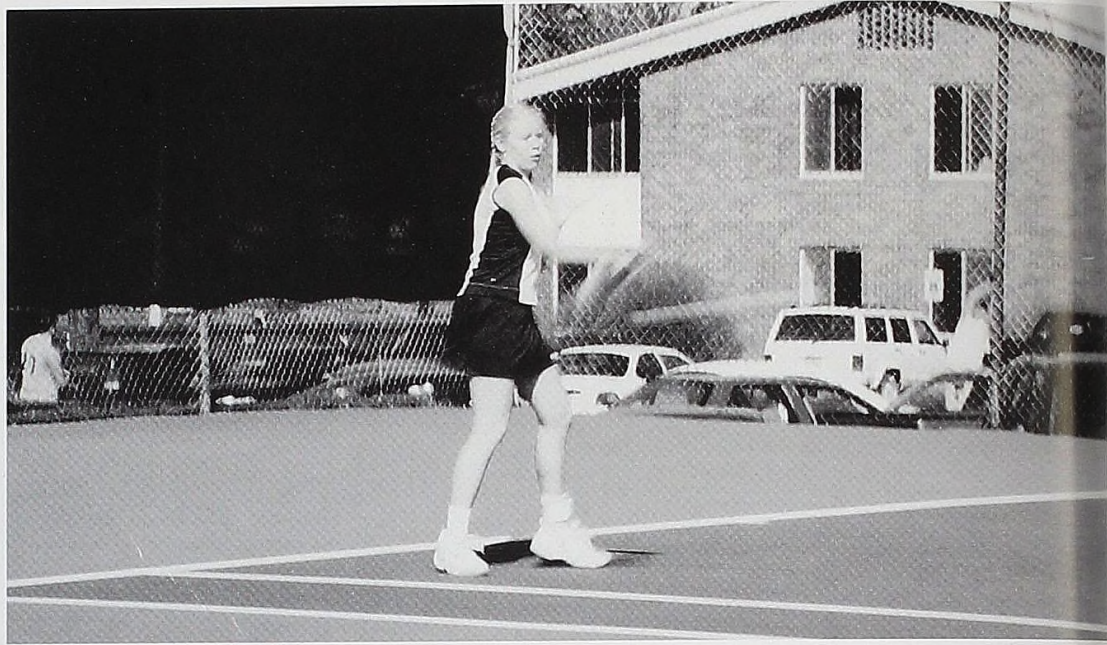


In alphabetical order: Travis Anderson, Dan Arner, Brad Boughner, Aaron Chamberlin, Nick Duflo, Josh Ernst, Will Eubank, Dan Falsetta, Travis Gordon, Craig Histed, Ryan Holbrook, Mike Holes, Adam Jerry, Michael Kahl, Chris Krebs, Mike Krebs, Justin McConnell, Pat McGuire, Patrick Ott, Pete Ott, Stuart Pettijohn, Matt Piccirilli, Ray Ribitch, Jeff Salling, Ryan Slezak, Steve Slowke, Bryan Somers, Jay Stephens, Bill Sterling, Brandon Teenier, Chris Van Wagoner, Kevin Vermeersch, Jeff Vrsek, Jim Wegener, Steve Whetstone, Mike Zuehlke, Brad Zuiker.

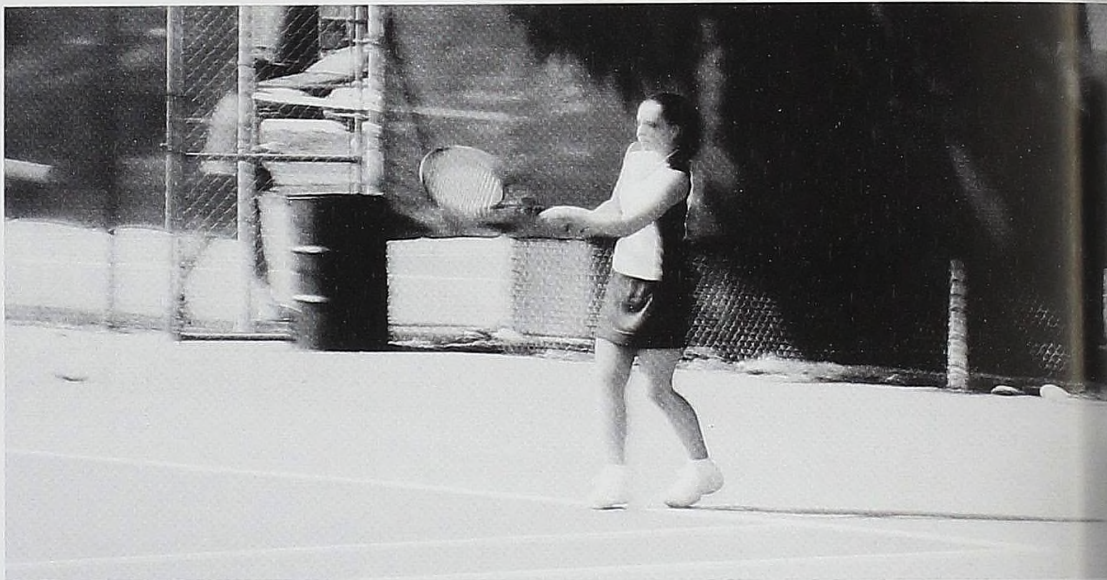


Baseball

Swinging Away
Kelly Ross '05 lets go with a forehand. She played competitively at five singles and served well all year long.



Megan Hlavaty '05 takes time to line up her next shot. At two singles Megan was one of the lady Scot's stand out players, often thanks to her careful shot selection.

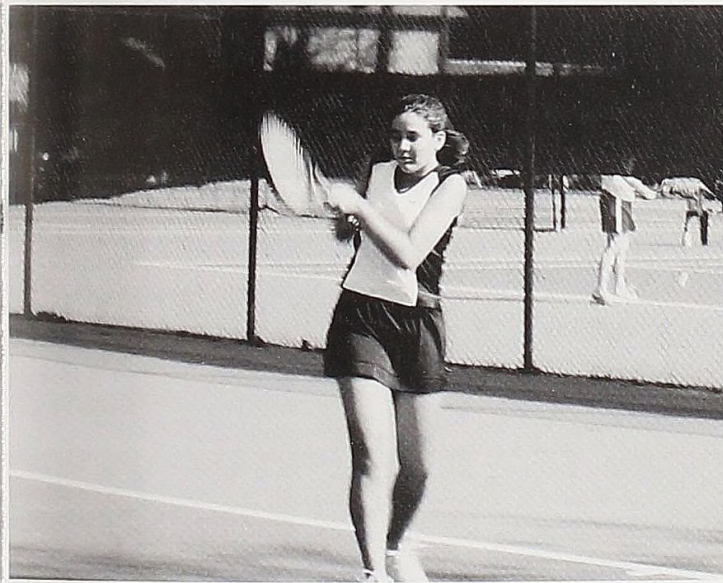
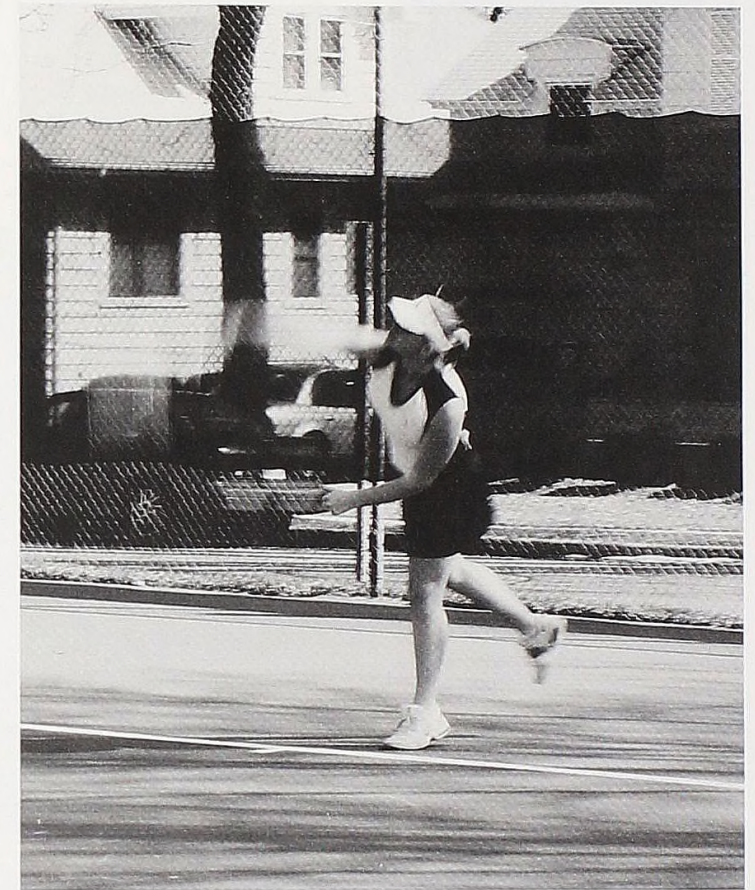


Making the pieces fit...
Megan Hlavaty strives to work her points to get set up for a clean winner. A good cross-court backhand will work well here.



Sophomore Anne Fuhrig fends off a backhand from an opponent. Her quick hands served her well at three singles.

Swinging Away
Sophomore Beth Doran fires off an excellent serve into the box. The shot served her well at four singles.



A powerful swing
Laura Powers '06 gave a strong performance at six singles. A great freshman performer she, looks to be a force next year both in the conference and through leadership on the team.

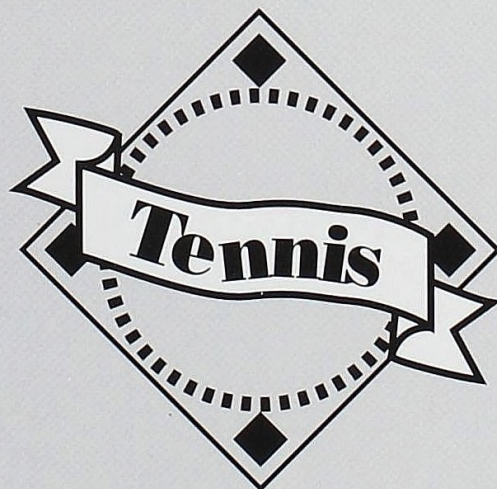
Alma College Lady Scots

Women's Tennis

By Nick Green '07

In 2003 a very young women's team entered the MIAA looking to make their mark in the conference. With no returning upperclassmen, the squad was lead by six sophomores with a handful of freshman players thrown into the mix. Nonetheless, the women performed to the best of their ability. Coach Chi Ly said he was extremely proud of his spirited team, especially when the ladies managed a 9-0 shutout against the Olivet squad.

The season ended with the MIAA conference tournament in Kalamazoo. Even though Alma finished seventh in the conference, a highlight was scoring nineteen points- something which hadn't been done in a long time. Another highlight was sending Megan Hlavaty '05, Anne Fuhrig '05 and Bethany Doran '05 to the singles consolation finals. With most of the girls sticking around, the women's team will hopefully make great strides next year.



College	Alma	Them
Savannah	0	9
Kalamazoo	3	6
Spring Arbor	3	6
Hope	0	9
Albion	1	8
Olivet	9	0
St. Mary's	0	9
Calvin	0	9
Spring Arbor	2	7

Alma College Scots
Men's Tennis

By Nick Green '07

In 2003 the men's tennis team found itself in a rebuilding year. Not only did the team start off with first time coach Brandon Snook, but they faced a very tough, very competitive conference season. The team got off

to a slow start. After returning from a grueling training trip to Florida, the men faced several challenging matches and were out fought for two close victories. However, the Scots dug in and pulled out a couple wins

later in the season before heading off to the MIAA conference match. Coach Brandon Snook summed up the year by saying, "I'm impressed with the way the guys handled themselves, we're going to regroup and be ready for next year."

Ready and Waiting

Junior Rob Nicholson gets into the "ready" position as he waits for an opponents volley.

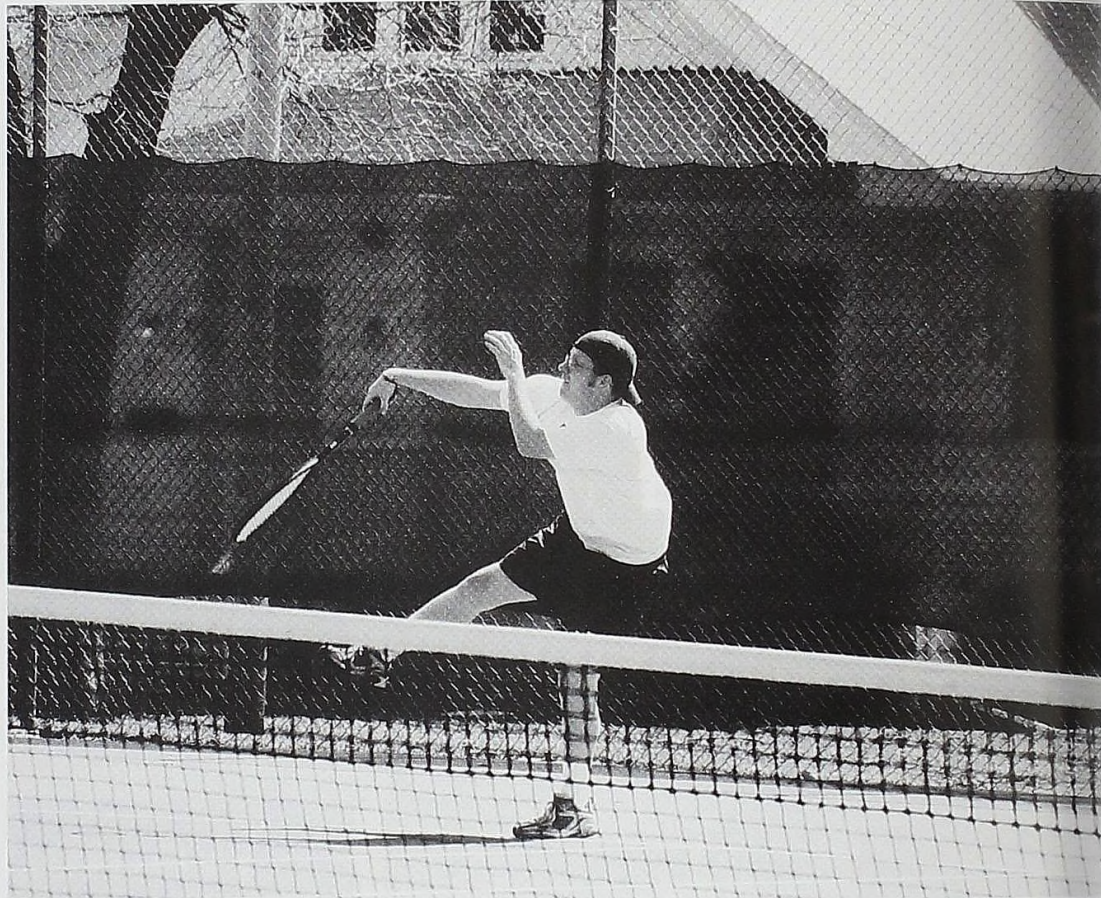


2003 Schedule

	Alma	Them
Michigan Tech	0	9
Minnesota State	3	6
Lake Superior	0	9
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Savannah	1	6
Kalamazoo	0	9
Aquinas	0	9
GRCC	1	8
Hillsdale	7	2
Albion	1	8
Spring Arbor	5	4
Adrian	7	2
KVCC	2	7
Calvin	0	9
Hope	0	9
MIAA	5th	9.5 pts



Keep on Kicking. One of the most difficult shots in tennis is the kick serve. The ability to hit this serve gives Brian Priehs '03 a surprise advantage against others.



Great Teamwork... is what it takes to make a doubles lineup functionable. Here, Ben Zilz '03 and Rob Nicholson '04 discuss thier strategy for the next point.

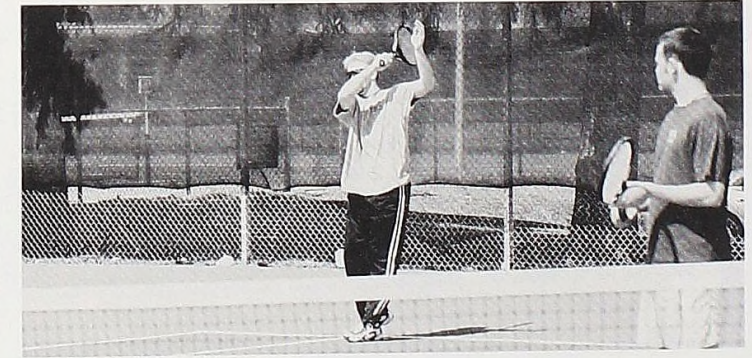
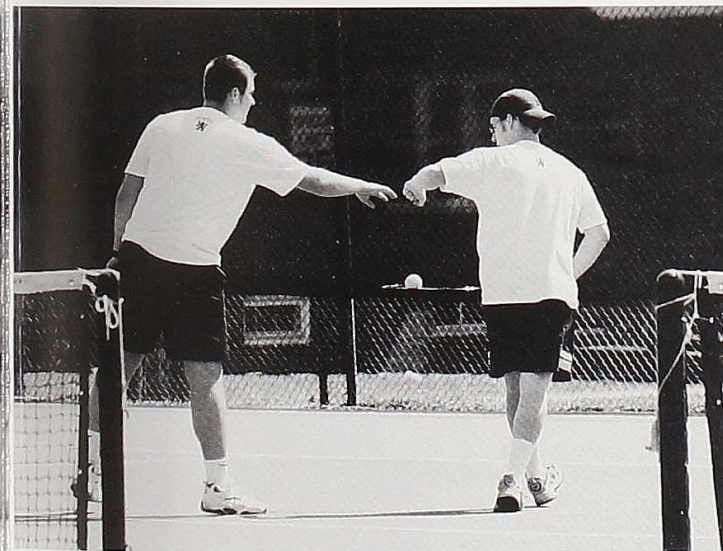


Teammates Ben Zilz '03 and Rob Nicholson '04 look on as one doubles finishes a match against their opponents. The team always finds a way to show support for others guys.

Second singles player Tim Slade '04 serves during a match. Tim's strong suit on serve was his ability to make the ball "kick" off the court.

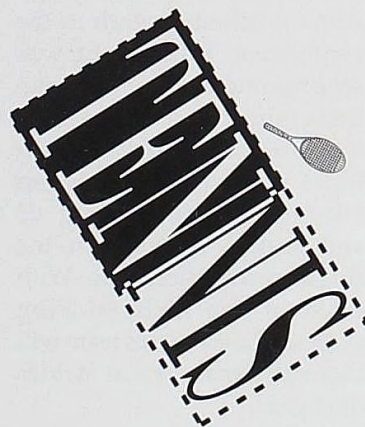


Junior Matt Baleja lets loose with a powerful first serve. One of Matt's biggest advantages on court was his ability to push people around with his first and second serves.



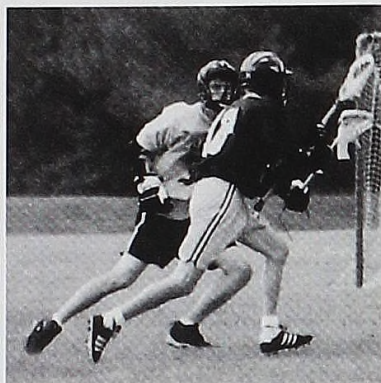
Pump it up... Partners Matt Baleja '04 and Brian Priehs '03 keep each other fired up between points.

Lining up a Shot. Matthew Kreig '04 looks on as his doubles partner Timothy Slade '04 hits a forehand up the line during a match.



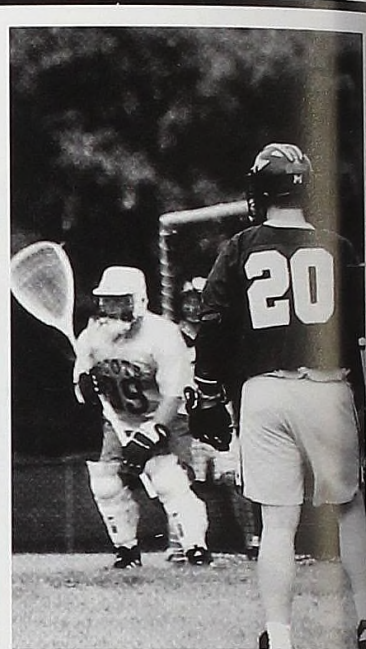
Defense

Nick Foster and Adam Stack defend the Scot goal. Adam Stack did a great job protecting the goal this season.



Michigan Wolverines

Playing Michigan was a great opportunity for a division three school to play a division one school. Although the Scots did not win on the score board, they did a great job.

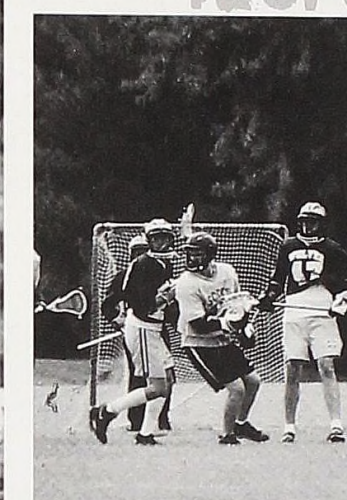


By Cairn McNicholas '07

Lacrosse is a growing trend at Alma College. Although it is only a club sport, many students have participated by either playing or supporting the Scots at their games. The Scots played other schools in Michigan, Indiana, and Illinois.



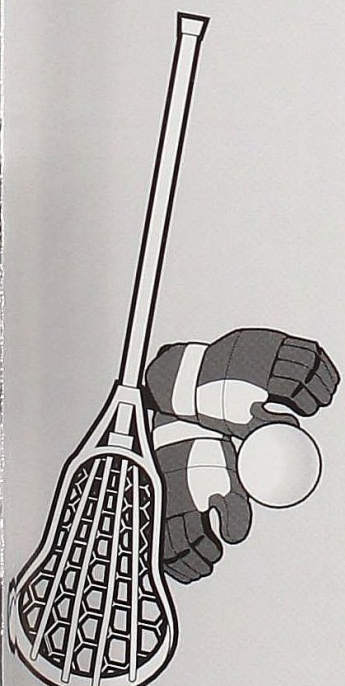
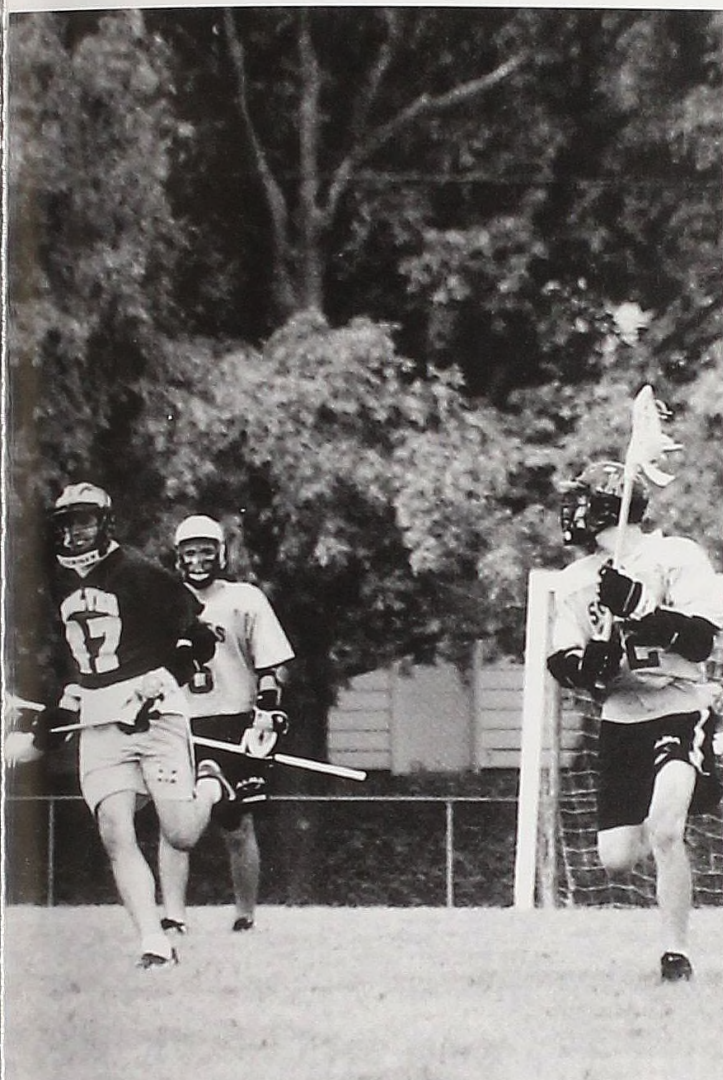
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So Close
The Scots had a great shot on goal, but the Michigan goalie caught the ball.



Time Out
The team takes this valuable time to talk strategy and pump each other up.



Front Row: Matt Bryan, Adam Stack, Dan Linsel, Paul Notoli, Zeb Lebley, Tristian Wilson, Andrew Talik, Jon Behring.
Back Row: Ed Klonowski, Michael "Tommy" Martin, Jason Garvin, Bart Hausman, Jake Underwood, Nick Foster, Jeff Horn. Missing from photo Matteo Lo Piccolo.

Rhythm Dance Team

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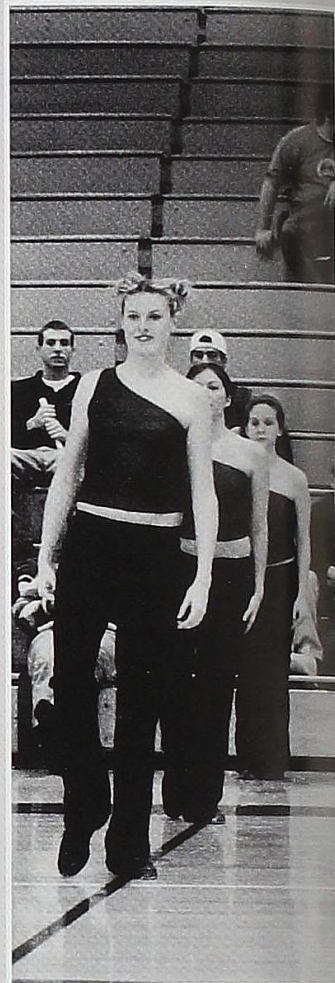
By Cairn McNicholas '07

The Rhythm Dance team has come a long way since its beginning in 1999. Now, the team is considered a dance team, rather than a pom pon squad. The team performs for a few men's and women's home basketball games each season. The girls choreograph, teach each other, and rehearse without the assistance of a coach. 2002-2003 captains were Liz Kunkle, Holly Huizinga, and Angela Zischke.



The 2002-2003 Rhythm Dance team

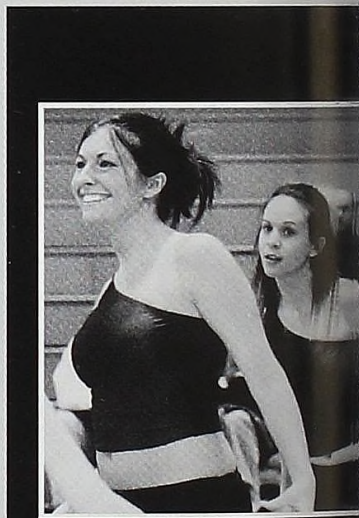
Dance till the stars come down from the rafters
 Dance, Dance, Dance till you drop
 ~W.H. Auden



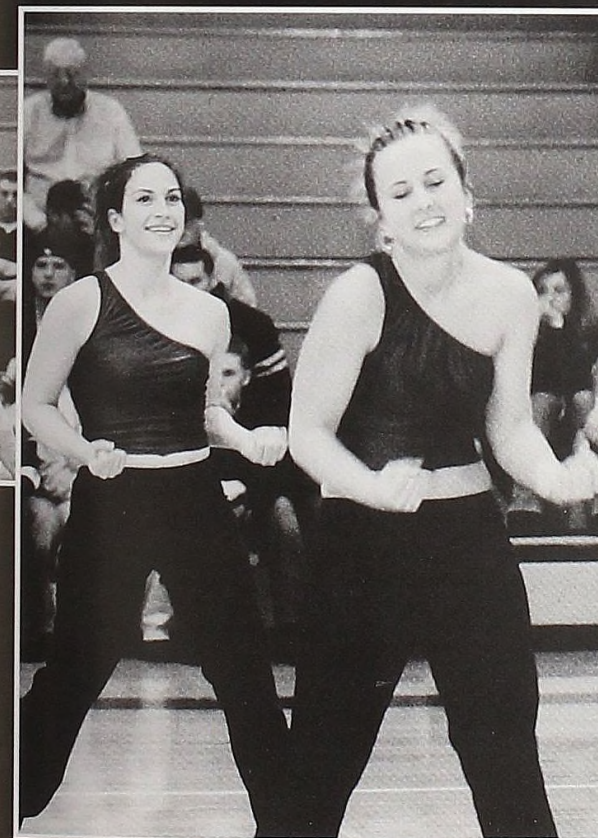
It's Techno Time
 The second routine of the season was to a very upbeat techno song. The dance took a lot of energy and was difficult to perfect, but the girls were up to the challenge.

Dance Like Nobody's Watching.

First year student Katie Baleja added some extra flair to the rhythm dance team this season. She was always ready to try new dances and had a great attitude all season long.



Crazy Train
 The Rhythm Dance team had a great time choreographing and dancing Crazy Train.



Dance Your Heart Out
 First year student Erica Sandel dances during a home women's basketball game.



First Routine of the Year
 Betsy Richards '03 performs during Rockefeller Skank/Real Slim Shady remix!

Intramural Sports

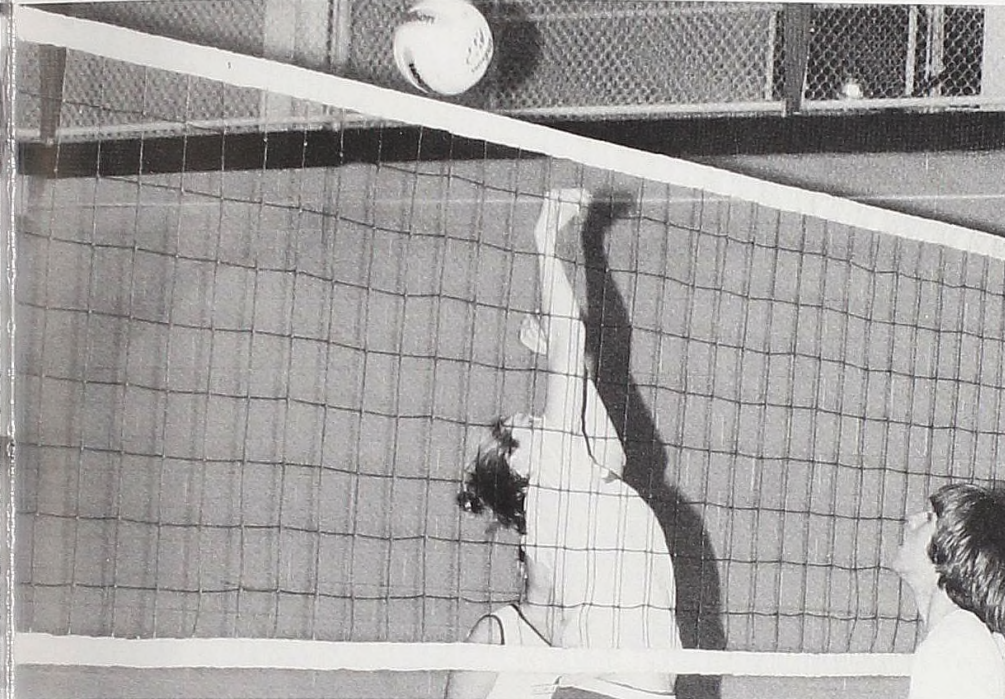
By Cairn McNicholas '07

On Alma's campus, the Stone Recreation Center is a place to see your friends, work out, and play IM sports. There were many sports offered this year. Basketball, volleyball, floor hockey, soccer and football were campus favorites. A perk of playing intramurals is you can still play your favorite sports, but not have the time commitments of a competitive team. Also, the champions of each respective sport, get the coveted Rec Center Champions t-shirt.



Watch Out!

This Alma student takes a break from the books to go play volleyball in the rec center. Volleyball was a favorite this year, as many students came out and joined teams.



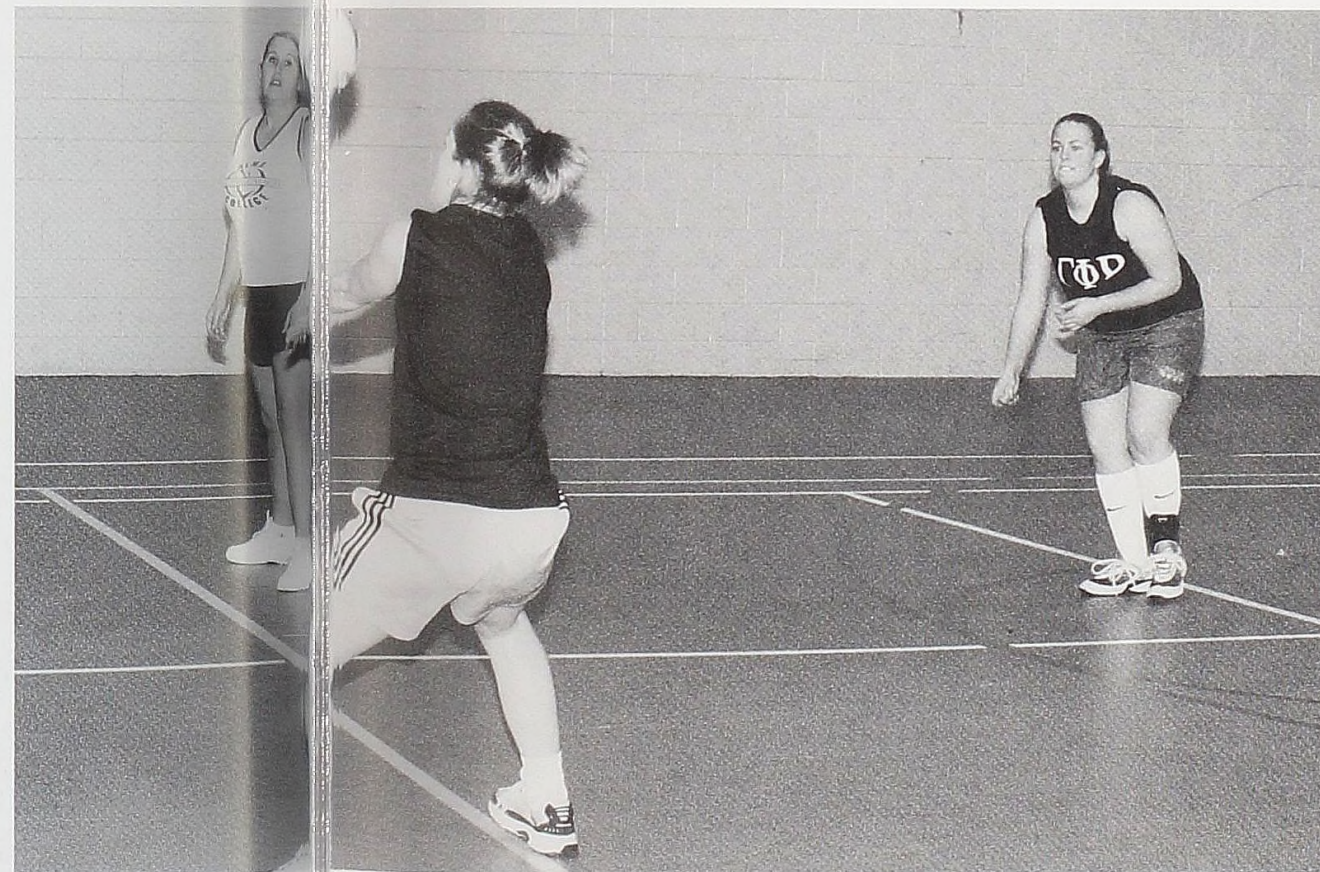
You Want Me to Climb Up There?

Tim Slade '04 jokes around while hanging out by the climbing wall. Tim has been climbing "The Wall" since it was built.



Climbing the Wall

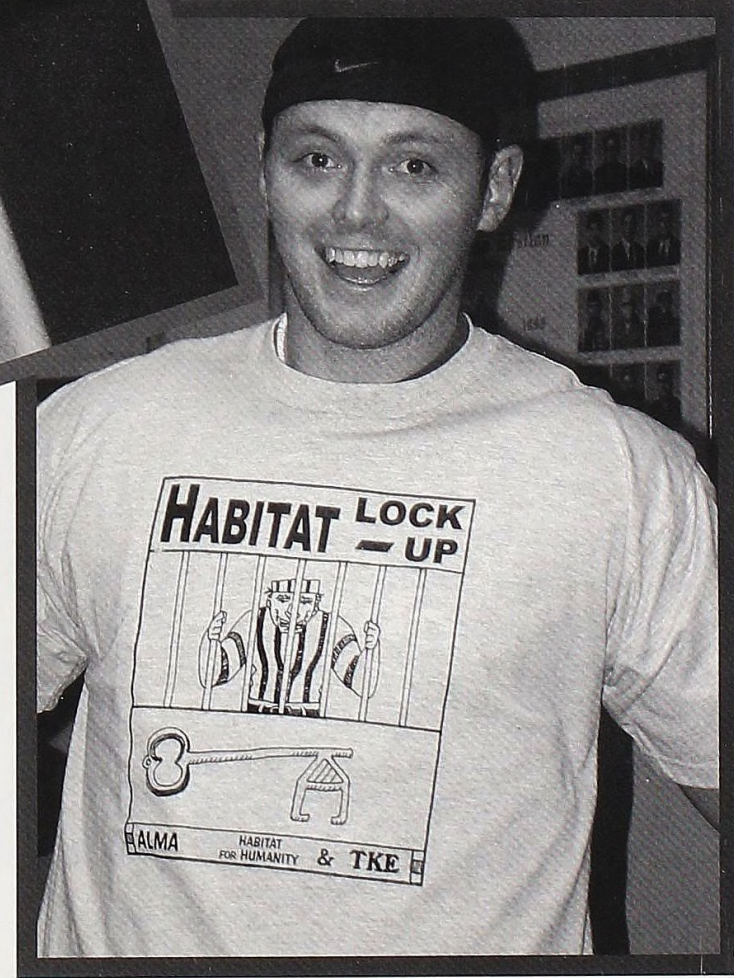
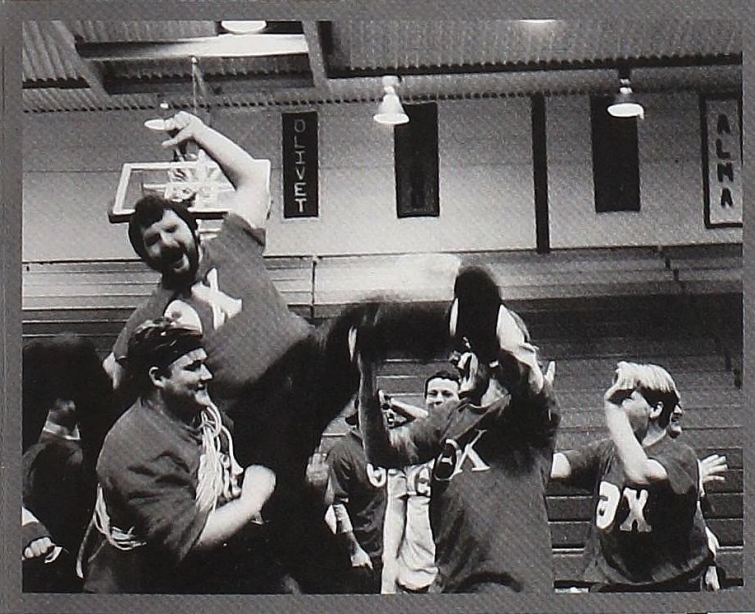
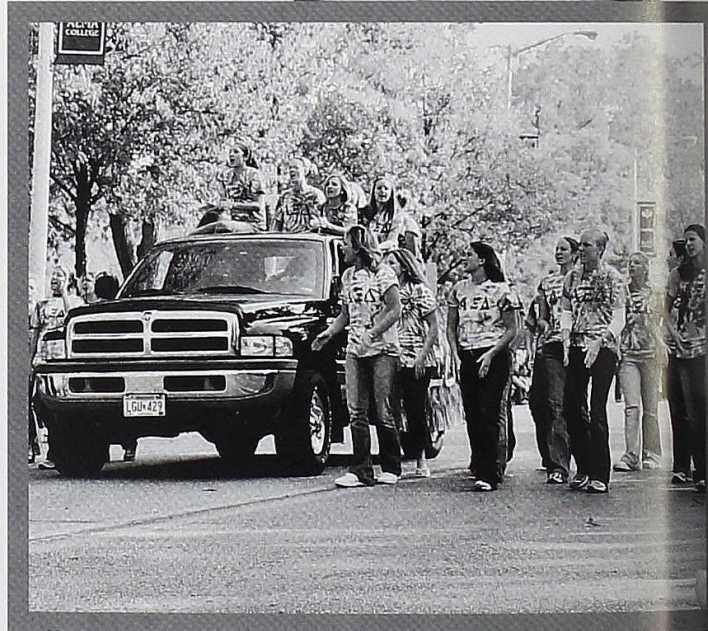
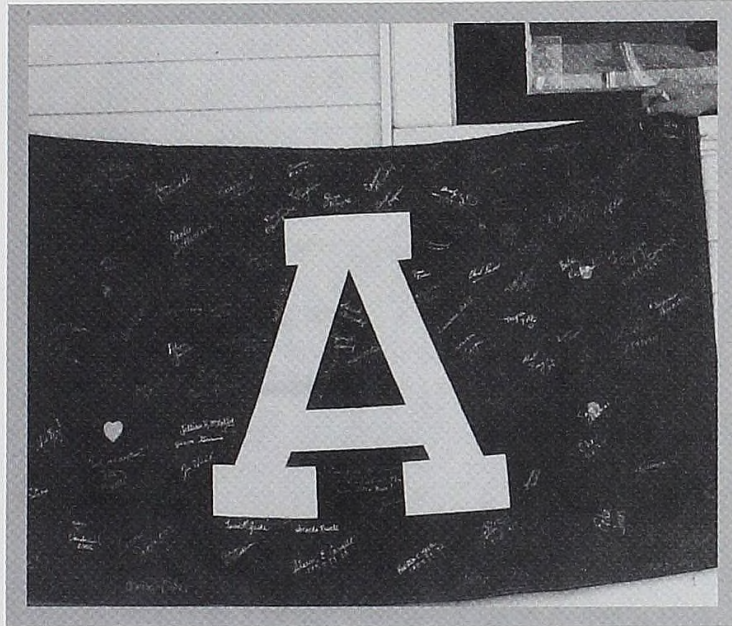
Ross Alexander '04 enjoys climbing in the Rec Center. Climbing is a great workout and is a fun, relaxing activity.



Sisterly Love

Many fraternities and sororities get together to form IM teams. Here, the girls from Gamma Phi Beta get together to take on a team from Alpha Xi Delta.

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The men of Zeta Sigma



Ready for new members



The active members and sisters of the Zeta Sigma Fraternity.
Photo by yearbook staff.



A Combined Effort
Zeta Sigma and Sigma Alpha Epsilon joined together to collect food for the needy.
Photo by yearbook staff.

By Cairn McNicholas '07
Zeta Sigma Fraternity welcomed five new members into their brotherhood this year. Their main philanthropic event was the annual Salvation Army food drive. The brothers moved their living room out to the front lawn to always be ready to collect food from donors. The brothers threw many parties during the year for all of campus to enjoy.

One of the newest members of Phi Sigma Sigma is welcomed into their sisterhood during walkouts.



Dressed in their jerseys, the women of Phi Sigma Sigma went to cheer on the Scots at the homecoming game.



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The women of Phi Sigma Sigma



During the formal winter recruitment, Phi Sigma Sigma got thirteen wonderful new members.



The women of Phi Sigma Sigma pose for a picture following one of their business meetings.

"Once a Phi Sigma Sigma, Always a Phi Sigma Sigma!"



"Aspire,
Act,
Achieve"



Each year the sorority holds a sapphire ball. This year had a fairytale theme and was decorated so the sisters felt like they were in a magical place. The ball was held at the Mt. Pleasant Country Club.

By Cairn McNicholas '07
 "To inspire the personal development of each sister and perpetuate the advancement of women" is the mission statement of Phi Sigma Sigma. The sisters can be seen all around campus proudly representing their sorority. The sisters take pride in their philanthropy, the Phi Sigma Sigma Foundation, which directly benefits the National Kidney Foundation. This year's events included Random Acts of Kindness Day, a clothing drive, Things with Wings, and the popular Greek God competition. Recruitment went well and the sorority initiated fifteen new members in the 2002-2003 school year. During Winter term, the sisters held a retreat at their house to build upon their sisterhood and to spend quality time together.

ΘΧ

The men of Theta Chi



Photo courtesy of Dustin Bissell

Sean Wilson '04, Shawn Grutsch '06, Stu Bachner '06, Janet VanZoeren '06 and Katie Secord '05 after painting spirit rock.

You walk up to the white house. You enter through the bright red door. You follow the sounds of music that leads you to the back of the house. Friends are dancing in the sand and lounging on couches. You think that you've entered a portal that brought you to the beach. In all actuality you have just arrived at the Theta Chi Beach Bash, the annual year end function open to all friends of the frat.

Theta Chi is known for having many fun themed parties, but there is a lot more to this frat than just the parties. The unique, intelligent and talented men in this group participate in a wide variety of activities on campus, from the radio station to the theatre. They also do their fair share of good work for the college and community.

As one of this year's campus-wide projects, they hosted a War Forum. The brothers invited professors from all areas of study, including history, economics and sociology, who sat on a panel and discussed their views on the war in the Middle East.

This year during runouts Theta Chi welcomed six new members to their fraternity, but all of these men had already been hanging around at the house for months, enjoying great bonds of friendship. Now they experience bonds of brotherhood as well.

~Sarah DeYoung '07



Photo by Becca Ross

Seniors: Bill Dever, Matthew Franko, Andy Lauppe, Bill Peckich, Mark Penzien. Juniors: Russell Anderson, Nick D'Aigle, Ethan Dereszynski, Aaron Engi, Ryan Healey, Kevin Malburg, Jeff Natke, Paul Sibbald, *Sean Wilson. Sophomores: Michael Huckins, Jonathon Musser. Freshmen: *Stuart Bachner, *Dustin Bissell, *Shawn Grutsch, *Nathan Oliver, *Conrad Reed. *=pledge
The brothers and wannabe Theta Chi, Thompson the cat, are pictured above in front of their house.



Photo by Becca Ross

Robyn Paige '04 and Meredith Kersey '03 show their loyalty to the guys of Theta Chi by painting their faces and wearing letters during Runouts.



Photo courtesy of Dustin Bissell

Conrad Reed '06 and Dustin Bissell '06 put on some shades and have some fun. They're happy to have just pledged.



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Crazy Bill Pekich '03 sticks in face in the window of the front door of the house to see if he approves of those desiring to come in and join in on the fun.

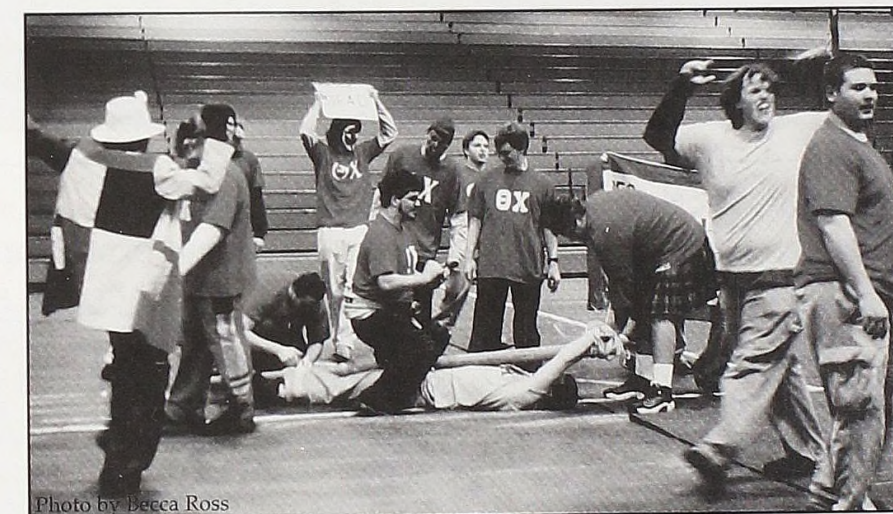


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Paul Sibbald '04 and his brothers have some fun during Runouts. Apparently they thought that tying Ethan Dereszynski '04 to a large wooden stake would encourage guys to want to join their frat.

Brandon DiGia '04 and his girlfriend enjoy taking in the sunrays out on the beach.



Photo courtesy of Dustin Bissell

Aaron Engi '04, Dustin Bissell '06, Sean Wilson '04 and friends stoke the fire and have a good time out on Lake Michigan during their annual Wild Weekend.

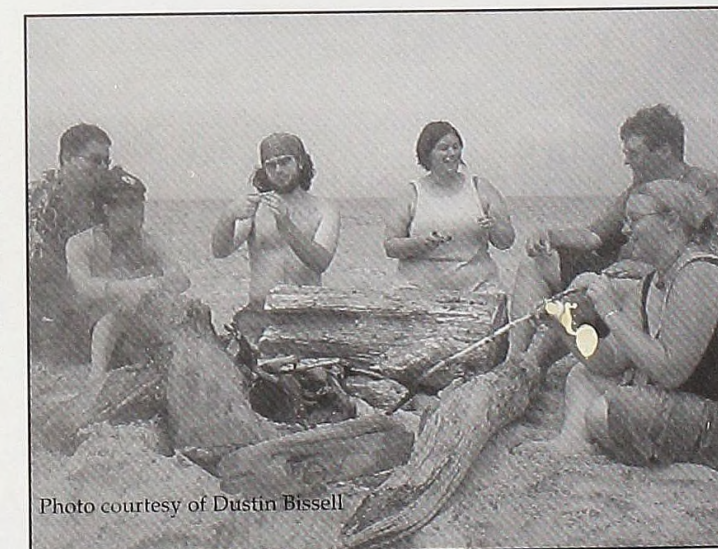


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Bonded by Sisterhood



By Cairn McNicholas '07

Being a sister of Kappa Iota is a truly unique experience. The women of Kappa Iota place a high emphasis on always accepting each other and supporting each sister in every way possible. As the only local sorority on campus, the women are allowed to have parties and they also rely on brother support. Each year KI hosts the luxury liner formal which "sails" to a different location each year. All of the money raised from luxury liner and other philanthropic events is donated to their charity, the Gratiot County Women's Aid Services.

"There are some of us who color in the lines,
and then there are others who just eat the crayons."

~Kristin Brindley

The Seniors of Kappa Iota



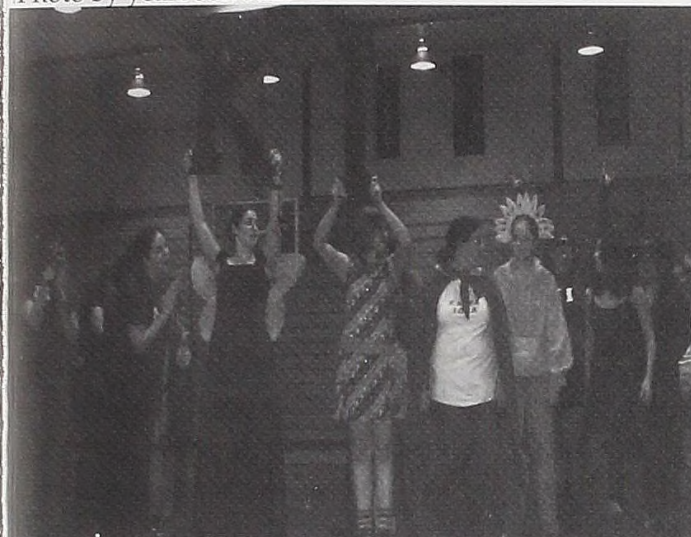
The women of Kappa Iota

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Walkouts 2003

During formal winter recruitment Kappa Iota got nine new members. The initiated sisters were very excited about their new pledge class, the Ghetto Mafia.

Photo by yearbook staff



Sisters for Life!

Nicole Fisette '05 and Kolorean Kershaw '05 will be forever sisters. The women of Kappa Iota truly cherish their sisterhood.

Photo courtesy of Kappa Iota Sorority.



Field Trip

The sisters of Kappa Iota traveled to Toronto for their annual winter retreat. Many great memories were created in Toronto.

Photo courtesy of Kappa Iota Sorority.



Erin Brantley '05, Kristy Brewer '05 and Kathryn Cleland '03 pose for a family photo at the KI house.

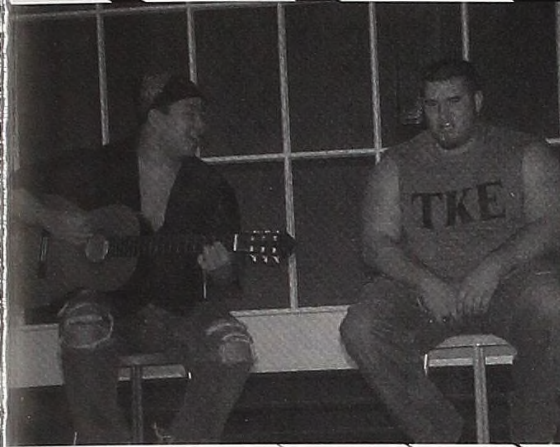
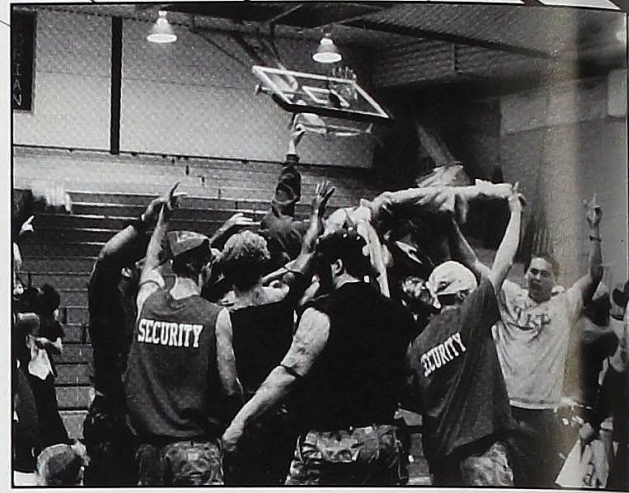
Photo courtesy of Kappa Iota Sorority.



A Tuesday Tradition
Every Tuesday night at dinner the brothers and sisters of KI eat together in the faculty dining room.

Tiffany Balducci '06 and Ashlie Payne '04 are just hanging around at the house. This is a great way to get to know your sisters better.

Fired Up!
 The boys come out in full color at run outs. They pumped up the crowd and welcomed new brothers. Photo by yearbook staff.



TKE

The men of Tau Kappa Epsilon

Serenading the judges at Greek God



The brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon take their philanthropy work seriously both on and off campus. This year, they teamed together with Habitat for Humanity and helped build a house. Photo courtesy of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity.



A Place to Hang Out
 Something was always going on at the house this year. Being able to go to the house and relax was a benefit to the brothers and friends of the fraternity. Photo courtesy of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity.



The brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon

By Cairn McNicholas '07

The brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon were very active on campus this year. The main charitable event that the brothers helped with was the Habitat for Humanity project. The brothers helped to raise money by hosting a "Habitat Lock-Up" and donated the money to Habitat for Humanity. The brothers also picked up tools and helped to build a house in the Alma area. TKE brothers also can be seen around campus playing football and other sports, in the music programs, working in the labs, and volunteering for different organizations. The men of TKE are very serious about their brotherhood, as one of their motto's is a "Fraternity for Life". TKE held it's annual formal on April 6 at the Pine River Country Club.



Into the Air...
 Bart Rizzo '05 announces he is going to TKE and is then thrown into the air by the brothers. Photo by yearbook staff.



Taking the time to relax

Every year Gamma Phi has a retreat for their sisters. Stress levels run high between academics and other commitments, so a weekend retreat is a great way for the girls to relax, catch up with each other, and celebrate their sisterhood.



All Dressed up...

Gamma Phi Beta held their annual closed formal, Pink Carnation, in the winter of 2003. The sisters were all decked out and all had a great time dancing the night away. Photo courtesy of Gamma Phi Beta Sorority.



Gamma Phi Beta

Love, Labor, Learning, and Loyalty



Old School Style

The women of Gamma Phi Beta were victorious yet again as they were the Derby Days champs. Photo courtesy of Gamma Phi Beta Sorority.

Gamma Phi Beta welcomed eight new sisters into their sorority during winter recruitment. "The Playmate Eight" was a wonderful addition to the group and the sisters are thrilled that they joined. Photo courtesy of Gamma Phi Beta Sorority.



By Cairn McNicholas '07

The women of Gamma Phi Beta are known around campus for their black shirts and red bandannas. Almost everywhere you look, a Gamma Phi is in sight. With their vision of sisterhood, love, labor, learning, and loyalty in mind, the women of Gamma Phi Beta conquer whatever they put their minds to. Each year Gamma Phi holds many events including Tavern, Goo Phoo Boo, Pink Carnation, a parents dinner, and participates in Sigma Chi Derby Days and Greek Week activities. Gamma Phi Beta continues to recruit and initiate several new members each year, and this year was no exception. Each year the women do their best to live up to their objective; to promote the highest type of womanhood.

Greek Week 2002, Gamma Phi Beta and Tau Kappa Epsilon

Taking a break from dancing, a few sisters posed for a picture. Photo courtesy of Gamma Phi Beta Sorority.



Sister Time

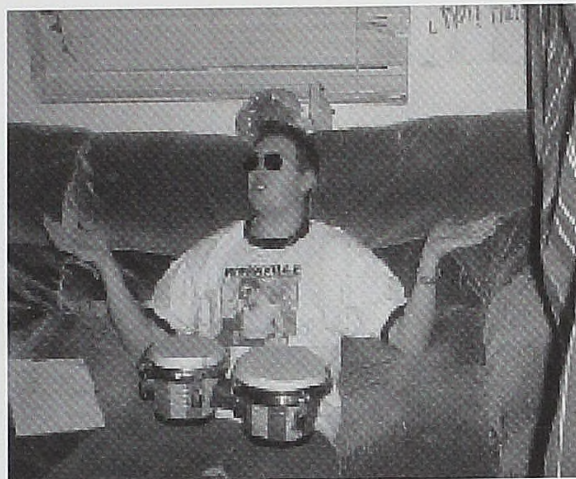
The women of Gamma Phi Beta can be found all around campus either in classrooms, on the athletic fields or just hanging out in the dorms.

Photo courtesy of Gamma Phi Beta Sorority.



The women of Gamma Phi Beta
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Playing to his own beat is Brett Zubeck '04. Brett impressed the brothers with his bongo skills one night at the house. Photo courtesy of Sigma Chi Fraternity.



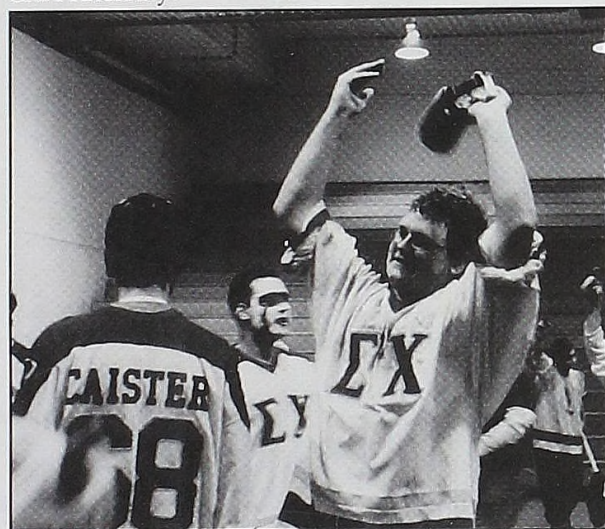
A friendly game of pool between brothers is a great way to bond and to get to know each other. Photo courtesy of Sigma Chi Fraternity.



"This badge requires more of me, than the world requires of other men."

The men of Sigma Chi can be seen all around campus whether it be in the classroom or on the athletic field. The men put a lot of time and heart into their brotherhood. Each year they sponsor Derby Days and participate in Greek God, Mock Rock and Greek Week activities. Their main fundraiser is Derby Days and the funds raised are donated to their philanthropy, Children's Miracle Network. The men of Sigma Chi also help support the Alma Community Cafe. Looking ahead to the following years, the fraternity plans to make improvements to their house and boost their membership. The seniors this year are: Jeremy Lovett, Ray VanStinkistee, Brian Tweddle, Tom Sterling, Dan Grey, Ryan Sherman, Dan Joyce, Bryan Priehs, Jack Haze, Mike Leahy, Joe Phillips, Mike Porter, Dan Schewgler, Chad Welton, Aaron Rycroft, and Andy Talik.

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Jason Fox '04 gets the crowd pumped up for Runouts. Photo by yearbook staff.



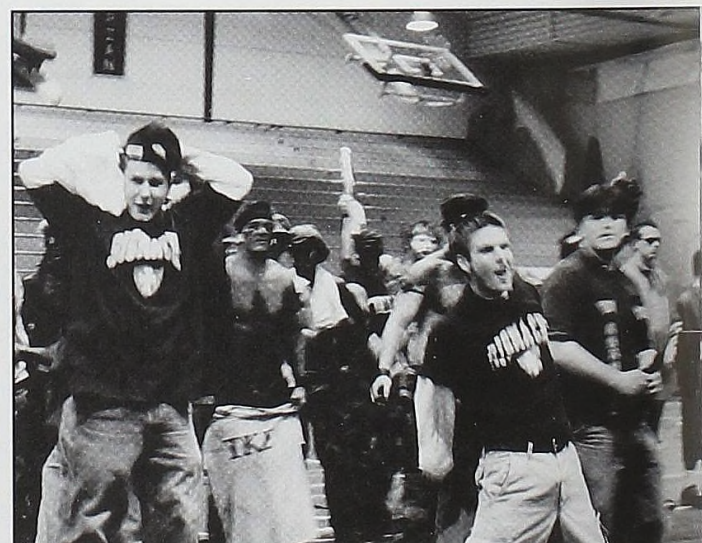
Sigma Chi throws many parties throughout the year for students to attend. The guys got creative this year and had many different themed parties that went over well. Photo courtesy of Sigma Chi Fraternity.



The seniors of Sigma Chi



This year they brothers had an interesting approach to their homecoming float. Photo by yearbook staff.



Bryan Cogswell '06 and Matt Davis '06 were just two of the pledges that Sigma Chi got during Runouts 2003. Photo by yearbook staff.



The men of Sigma Chi

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Inspiring Women to Realize Their Potential



By Cairn McNicholas '07

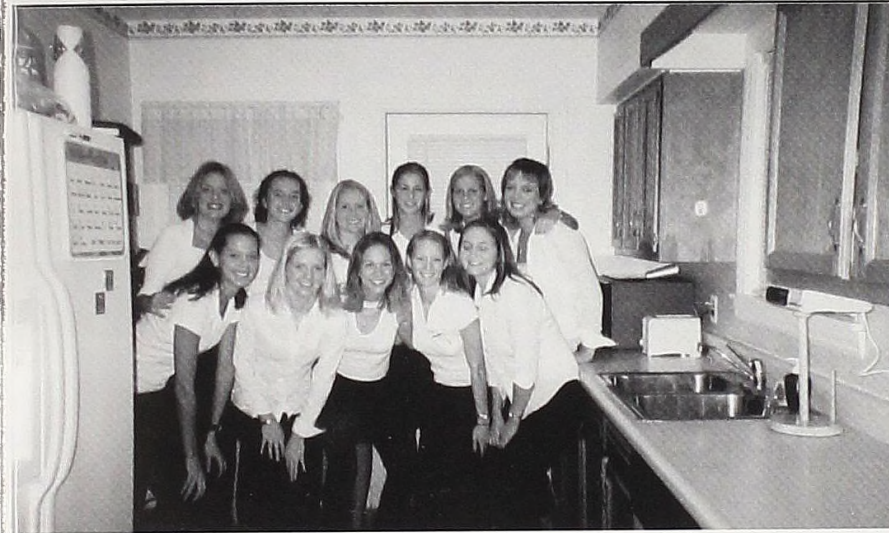
Wearing their blue and yellow tie-dyed shirts, the women of Alpha Xi Delta make their mark on campus. Alpha Xi's can be found dancing, leading tours, singing, on the athletic field, and in the classroom. Each year many different projects are organized to help raise money for their national philanthropy "Choose Children". Annually, they hold a formal dance open to campus called Mardi Gras, and have a teddy bear drive benefitting a worthy charity. Alpha Xi Delta also holds an annual golf outing where the sisters caddy and the money is donated to a deserving charity. Recruitment went well for the women as they welcomed in two large pledge classes.

For All the Right Reasons



A group of women from Alpha Xi Delta gathered in the Heather Room for a ceremony. Photo courtesy of Nicki Pisarski '05

Looking for a Caddy? Each year, AZD hosts a golf outing and donates the money to a charity. Photo courtesy of Nicki Pisarski '05



Heaven's Eleven The fall pledge class chose the name Heaven's Eleven. They had a great pledge period and dove right into active membership. Photo courtesy of Alpha Xi Delta.

Each year Alpha Xi Delta does many service projects in the community. This year, they went door to door raking leaves for the residents of Alma. Photo courtesy of Alpha Xi Delta.



The Winter pledge class was warmly welcomed into the arms of the initiated sisters of Alpha Xi Delta.

These seven women helped first year students get accustomed to Alma's campus as Orientation Committee members. Photo courtesy of Alpha Xi Delta.

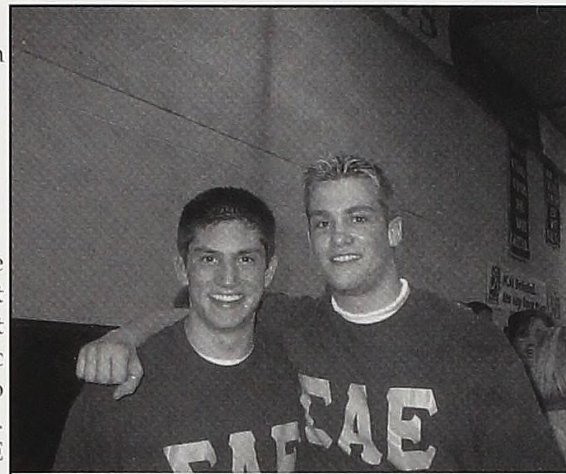
The women of Alpha Xi Delta
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Active members: Armand Samouelian, Steve McIntosh, Marcus Christian, Jeremy Braun, Brad Zuiker, Chris Naylor, Ryan Downing, Travis Powers, Mark O'Bryan, Frederick Burton, Aaron Bell, Jeffrey Garlick, Ross Desnoyers, Ryan Lueker, Jacob Ramirez, Justin Dew, Nick Chulski, Nick Shokoohi, Jeff Snow, Zach Hamilton, Sam Oberman, Jamie Shooks, Zack Sneider, Joel Housman, Ryan Riley, Ryan Rinn, Scott Roberts, Tyler Rummel, Jeff Sexton, Nate Moulton, Jade Woodcock, Craig Histed



Zach Sneider '06 and Bart Housman '06 both choose SAE during Runouts '03. Photo courtesy of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity

Jeff Sexton '06, Nate Moulton '06, and Bart Housman '06 can't wait for the Catholic School Girl party to begin. Photo courtesy of SAE Fraternity.



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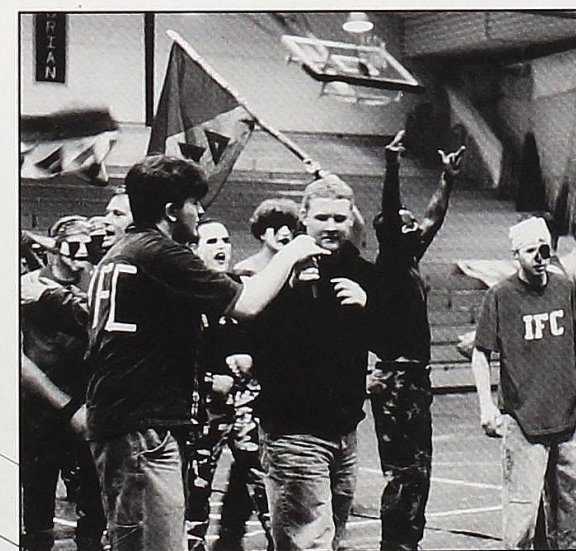
Although they are not biological brothers, the men of Sigma Alpha Epsilon take their brotherhood very seriously. One way they show campus is by their commitment to philanthropic and community service events. Each week a few brothers volunteer at a local soup kitchen to help feed the needy. Not only do they provide them with food, but they take time to socialize with the patrons. Their other main philanthropic event is an annual book drive. The years of two thousand two and two thousand three were big for SAE as they held many parties such as the popular marriage and divorce, holly house, speakeasy, and the hawaiian party. Their formal was held in April at the Grand Traverse Resort.



Dressing the Part
The men of SAE hosted a Paddy Murphy party this year and were perfectly dressed for the occasion. Photo courtesy of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity.

Baring it all...
Each year the men of SAE go on a retreat, and this year's adventure was a camping trip. The bonds of brotherhood were strengthened and the guys have memories from the trip that will surely last a lifetime. Photo courtesy of SAE Fraternity.

True Brothers



Suspense
Ryan Riley '05 keeps the crowd waiting before he announces his choice. SAE was more than happy to accept him. Photo by yearbook staff.



Braving the Elements
Being creative, the men of SAE decided to bring the popular pong game outdoors. Although it was cold, many members took part in the game. Photo courtesy of SAE Fraternity.

The men of Sigma Alpha Epsilon
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The women of Alpha Gamma Delta

By Cairn McNicholas '07

The Zeta Nu chapter of Alpha Gamma Delta had a very busy and exciting year. They welcomed in two pledge classes "The Divine Nine" and "The Tenacious Ten". Two formals were held this year: "Welcome to the Jungle" and "Mardi Gras 2003". The women participated in many campus activities including Mock Rock, Sigma Chi Derby Days, and Relay for Life.

The women also had many accomplishments this year including Greek Week Champions. Their greatest honor was being named an Alpha Gamma Delta Jewel Chapter. The women earned this prestigious award by raising an extraordinary amount of money for a chapter of it's size.

The Divine Nine



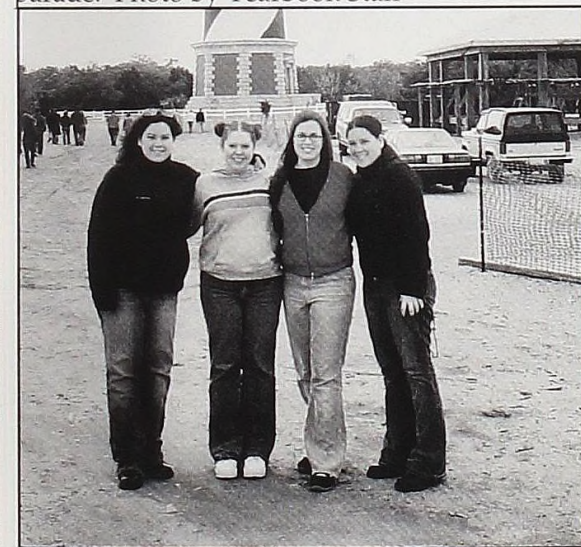
Jen VanValkenburg '04, Rebecca Monsour '04, Nicole Lewis '05, Cori Wagner '04, Michelle Monsour '04, and Jenn Loomis '05 all participated in the Relay for Life walk. They not only raised money for the Alpha Gamma Delta Foundation, but they also raised money for Relay for Life.



Bring out the Ketchup and Mustard
The sisters fondly call the red and yellow shirts the ketchup and mustard shirts, but they wore them proudly for the annual homecoming parade. Photo by Yearbook Staff



The Tenacious Ten
The winter pledge class consisted of: Katie Hill '04, Kat Lanphear '05, Amy Baumhoefner '06, Katie Stieber '06, Amy Hyder '06, Stacey Fogarty '06, Lauren VanOver '06, Bethany Doran '06, Gillian Ogilvie '05, and Rachel Miller '05. Photo courtesy of Michelle Monsour '04

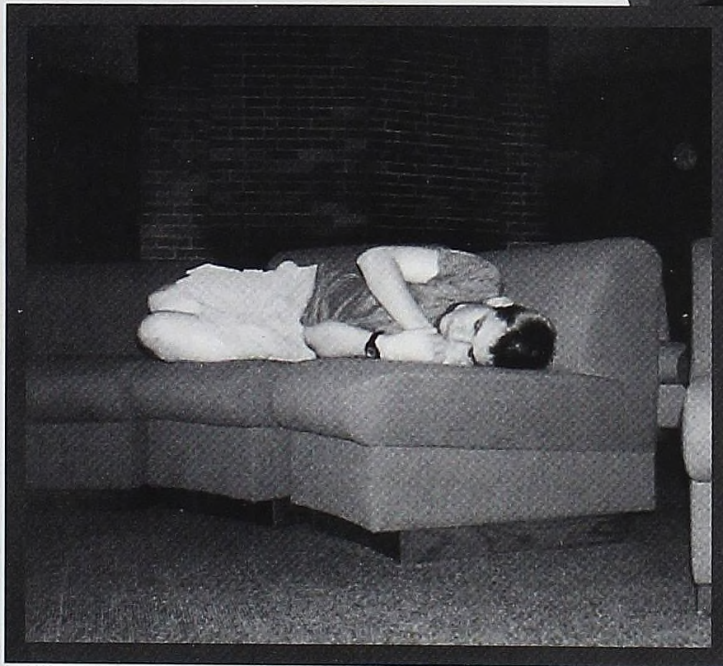
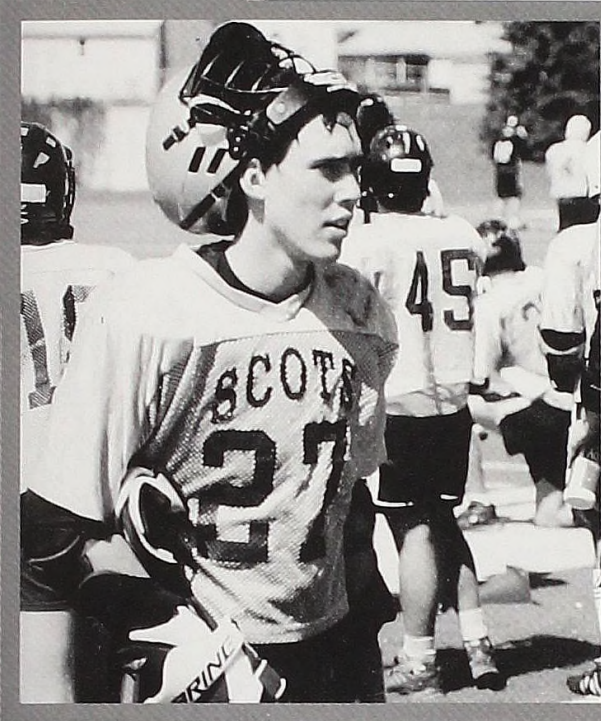
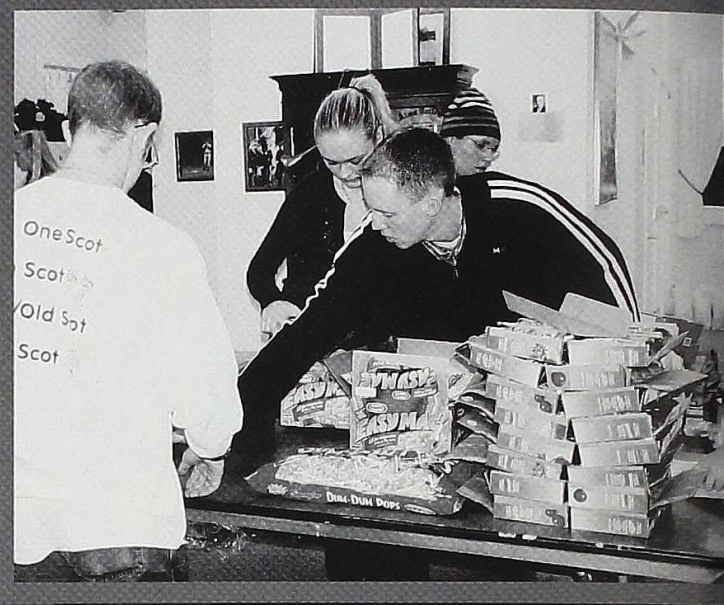


Singing Sisters
The winter choir tour brought sisters Rebecca Monsour '04, Natalie Wiltse '05, Katie Karjalainen '04, and Michelle Monsour '04 closer together. They enjoyed both singing and spending time together. Photo courtesy of Michele Monsour '04



Fun Times at Table One
Jenn Loomis '05, and her date Cory, Nicole Lewis '05 and date Jon, and Lauren VanOver '06 had a great time at winter formal. The jokes told that night will be forever remembered. Photo courtesy of Michelle Monsour '04

student life



A Week At Alma College

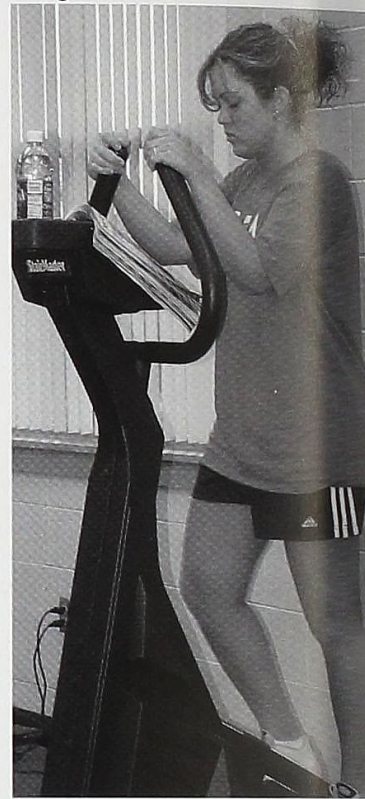
Monday: A Day In the Life of Katy Ylisto

The life of an Alma College student is quite unique. Alma students are exposed to strong academics, but have numerous opportunities to be involved in organizations, clubs, athletics, Greek life, jobs and events.

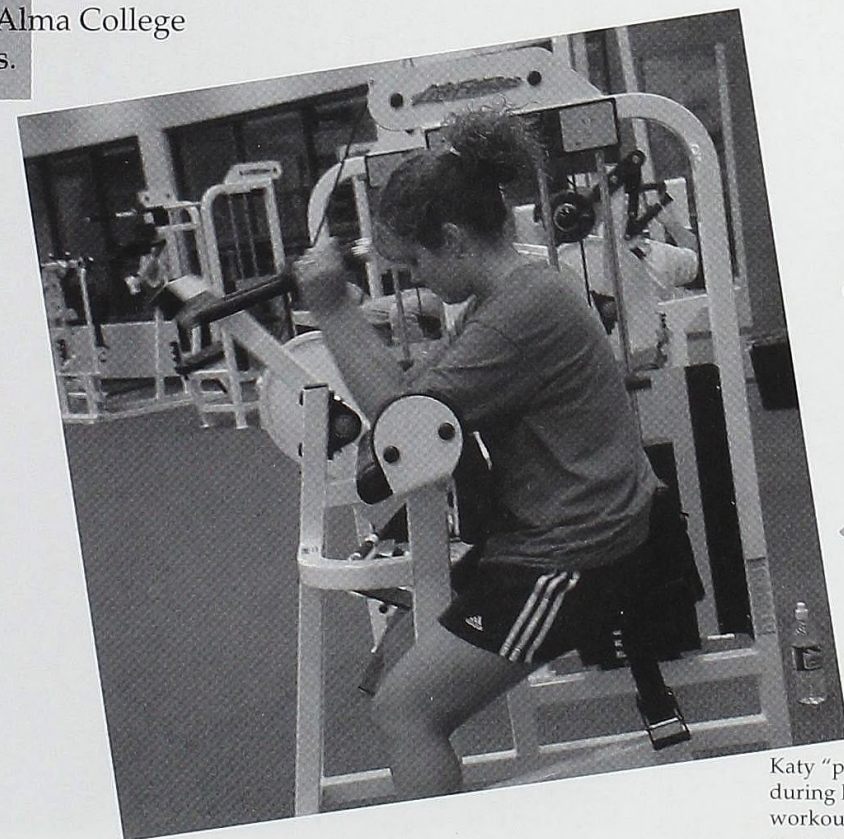
Although there are many opportunities to get involved, Alma students quickly realize that it takes careful planning to manage their busy schedules. This section follows six Alma students through a typical day of class, homework, activities, sports and social life to demonstrate what life is like for Alma College Students.

The week begins with a day in the life of Katy Ylisto, a Junior Business and Communication major. Besides balancing two majors, Katy takes on many leadership roles as an R.A., Panhellenic Council President, membership in Order of Omega, Business Club, and Alpha Xi Delta.

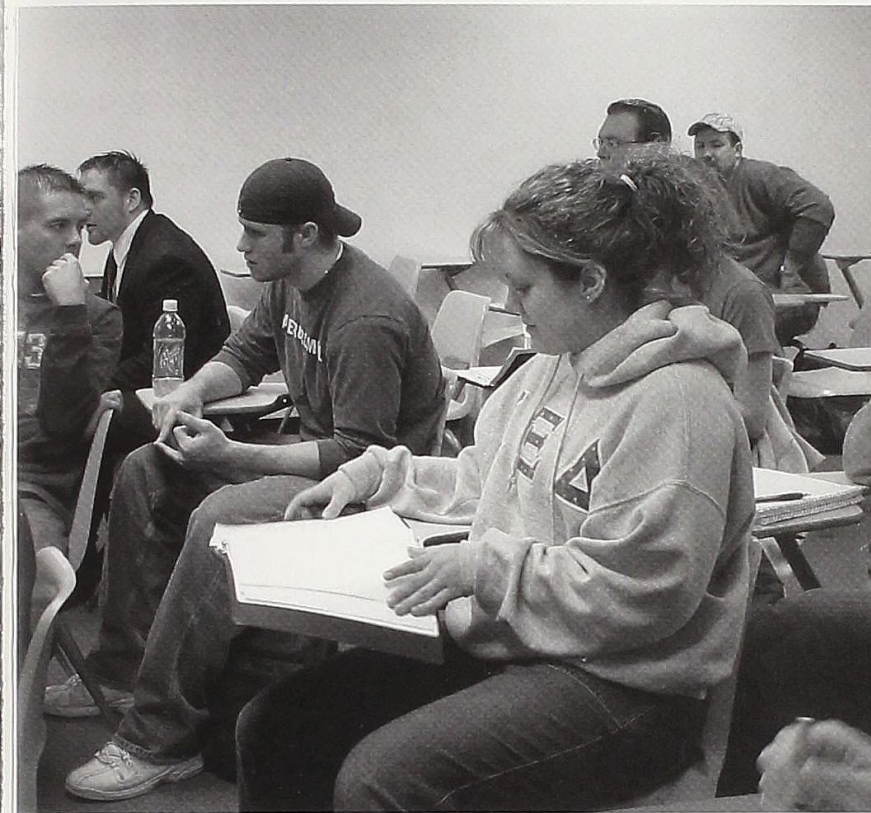
Like many students, she is able to utilize her leadership at Alma, but manages to keep her time managed so she can "do it all."



Katy Ylisto '04 begins her busy day with an workout at the Rec Center. The Rec Center opens early and closes late which allows students to utilize the facility around their schedule.
Photo by Becca Ross '04



Katy "pumps iron" during her morning workout
Photo By Becca Ross '04



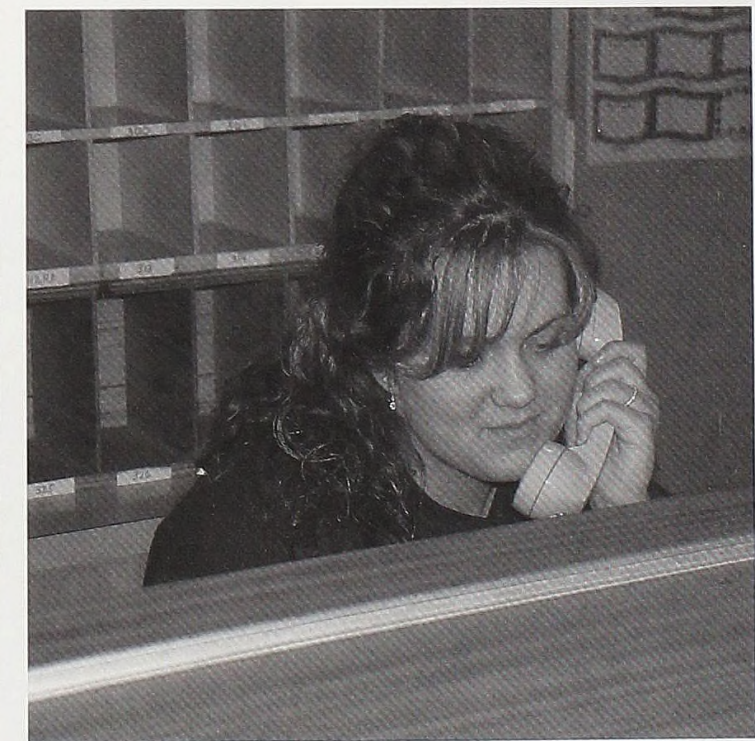
As a Business and Communication major, Katy's day includes a busy schedule of classes. Here, Katy prepares for Economics class to begin.
Photo by Sara Monsere '04



Katy squeezes in time to help at the crafts table at a sorority sponsored event. She is a member of Alpha Xi Delta and participates in many activities on campus and in the community.
Photo by Becca Ross '04



Katy's night includes leading weekly Panhel meetings. As Panhel President, she is actively involved in Greek issues on campus. Here she stands with members of the Panhel Executive Council, Bree Brownlee '04, Emalee Sutherland '04 and Erin Wicker '05.



Katy ends a long day at Newberry switch. As a Resident Assistant, Katy spends many nights on duty making sure everything is under control in Newberry hall.
Photo by Becca Ross '04

Tuesday: A Day In the Life of Bryson Tyler



Academics, music, athletics, and Greek life; Sophomore Bryson Tyler does it all.

As an English major, football player, member of the Kiltie Band, Orchestra and Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity, Bryson spreads his talents across campus.

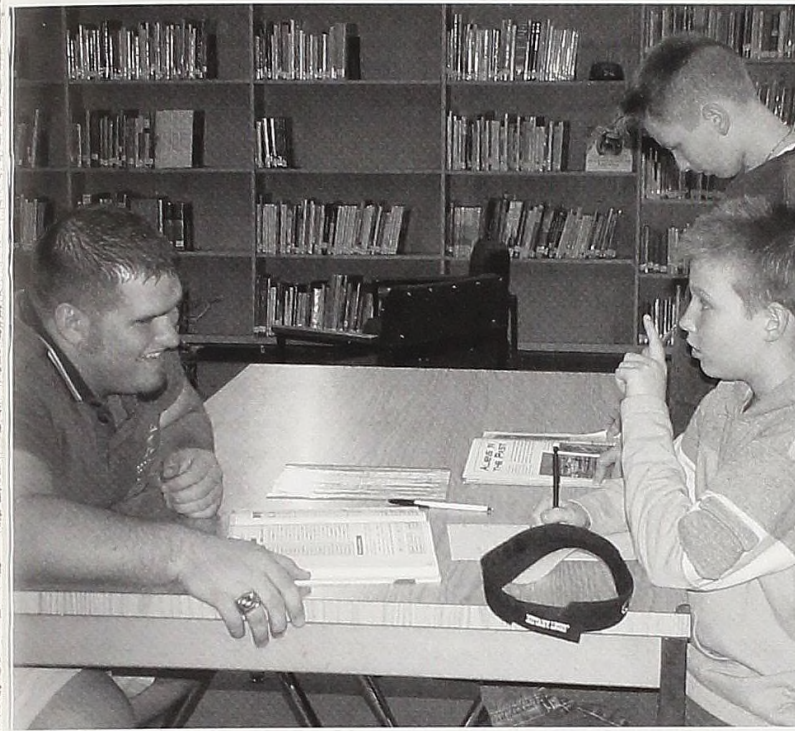
Whether he's playing football, trombone, tutoring at Alma Middle School or competing for Greek God, Bryson makes his mark on many parts of campus.



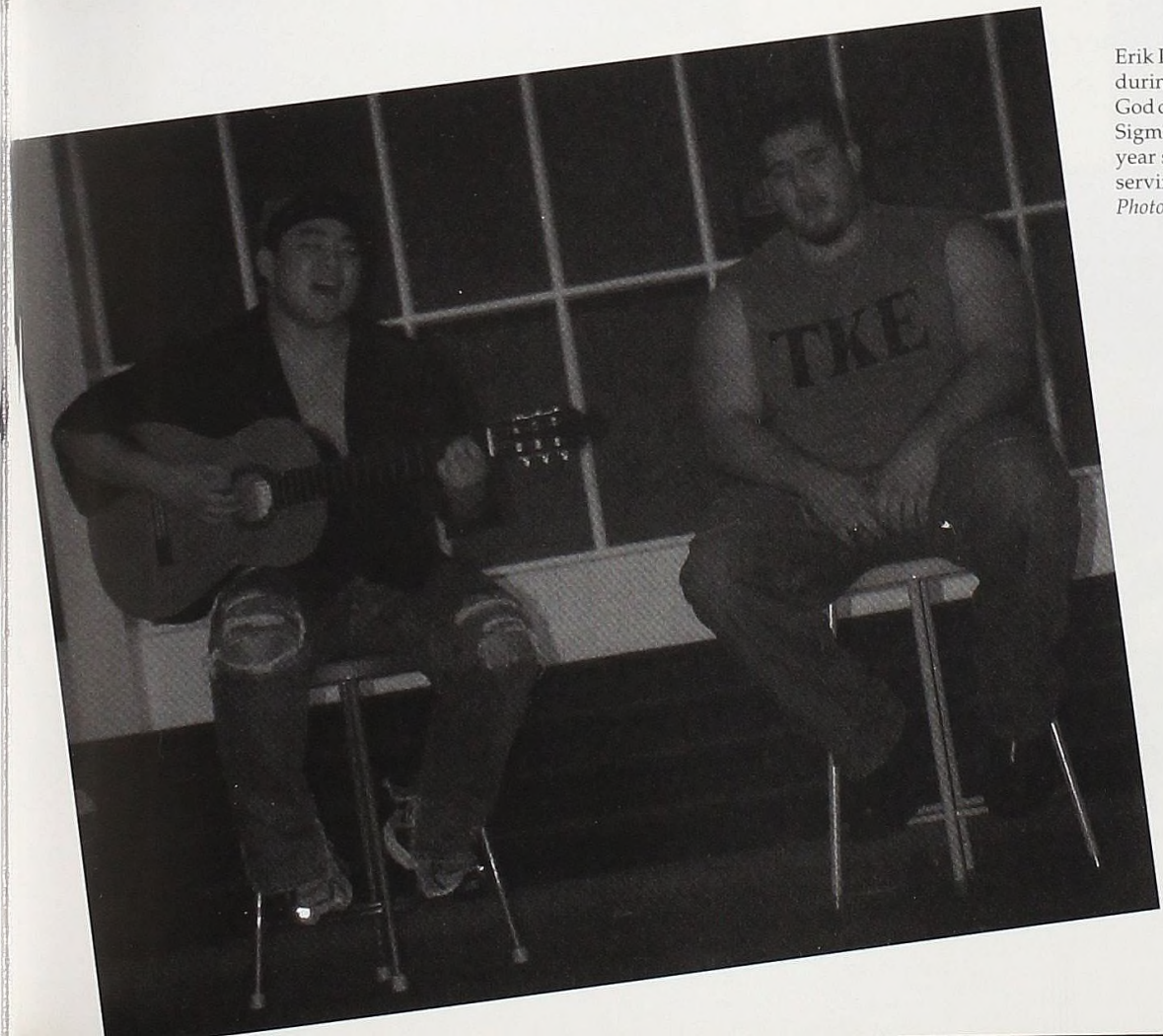
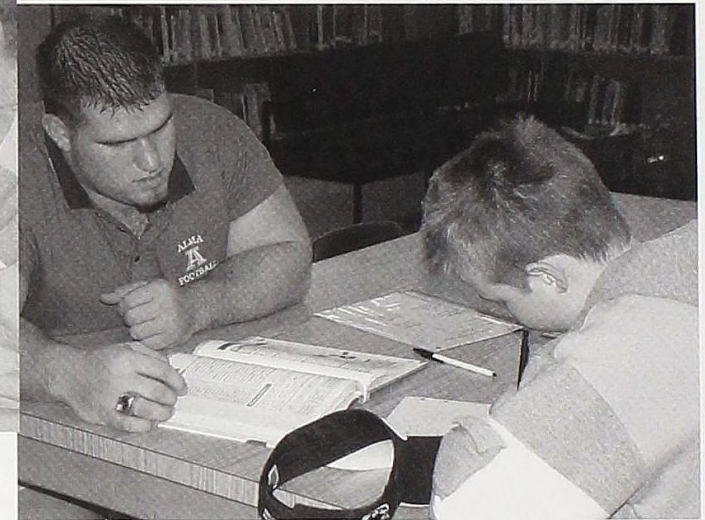
Bryson begins his day at orchestra rehearsal. The ensemble combines students and community members to perform three times a year.
Photo by Becca Ross '04



Bryson started playing trombone in fifth grade and has continued here at Alma in both the Kiltie Band and Alma Symphony Orchestra. Alma has several ensembles that allow students to showcase their musical talents in college.
Photo by Becca Ross



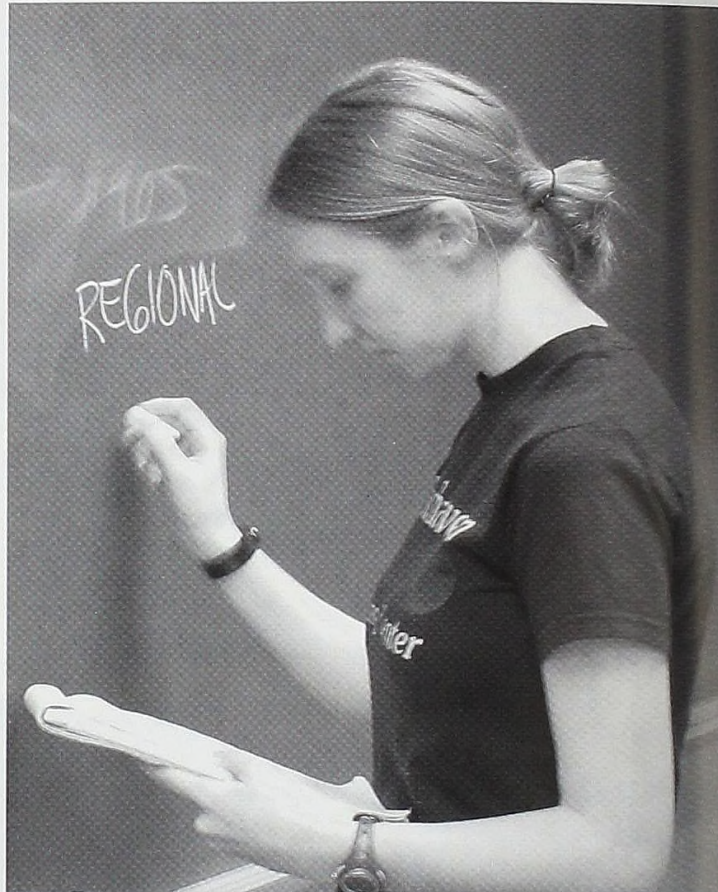
Bryson travels to the Alma Middle School in the middle of the day to offer tutoring help. Many Education students participate in off campus classroom placements well before their semester of student teaching.
Photo by Becca Ross '04



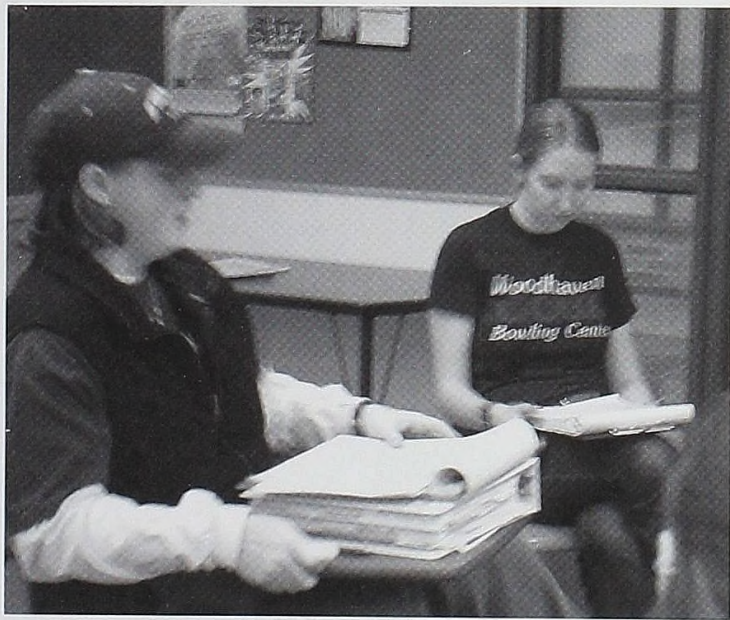
Erik Ryden '06 and Bryson Tyler '05 sing during the talent portion of the Greek God competition sponsored by Phi Sigma Sigma. Bryson pledged TKE as a first year student and is active in the chapter serving as the Scholarship Chair.
Photo By Sara Monsere '04

Wednesday: A Day In the Life of Kate Kohler

When you don't find Kate Kohler '05 working the circulation desk or studying in the library, you'll probably find her living in the Model U.N. house, sitting in Joe's Place or class, or even in the dance studio. This Sophomore History major's typical day keeps her busy like many other Alma students.



Kate Kohler '05 writes on the board during a weekly Model United Nations Meeting. This year she is part of the team that represents *International Alert*, a nongovernmental organization.
Photo by Sara Monsere '04



Holly Paquet '03 and Kate Kohler '05 participate in a Model United Nations meeting. Besides hours of individual work, the Model United Nations team meets once a week in the evening to prepare for competitions in St. Louis and New York City.
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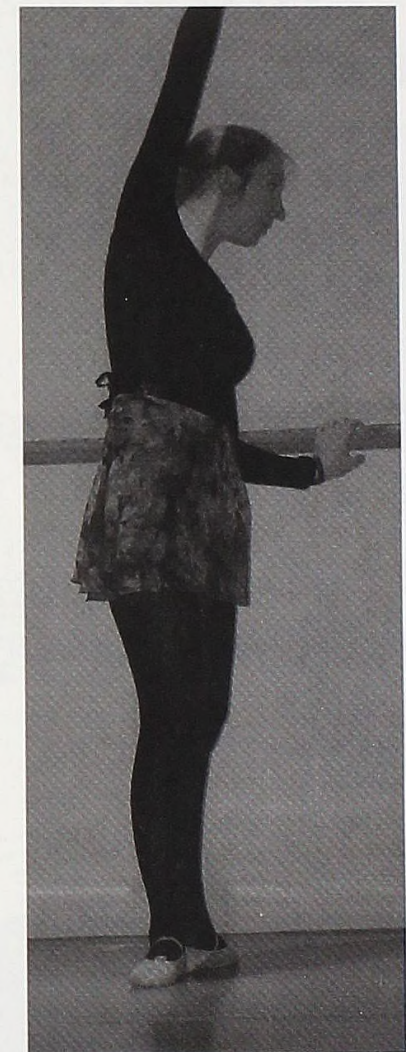
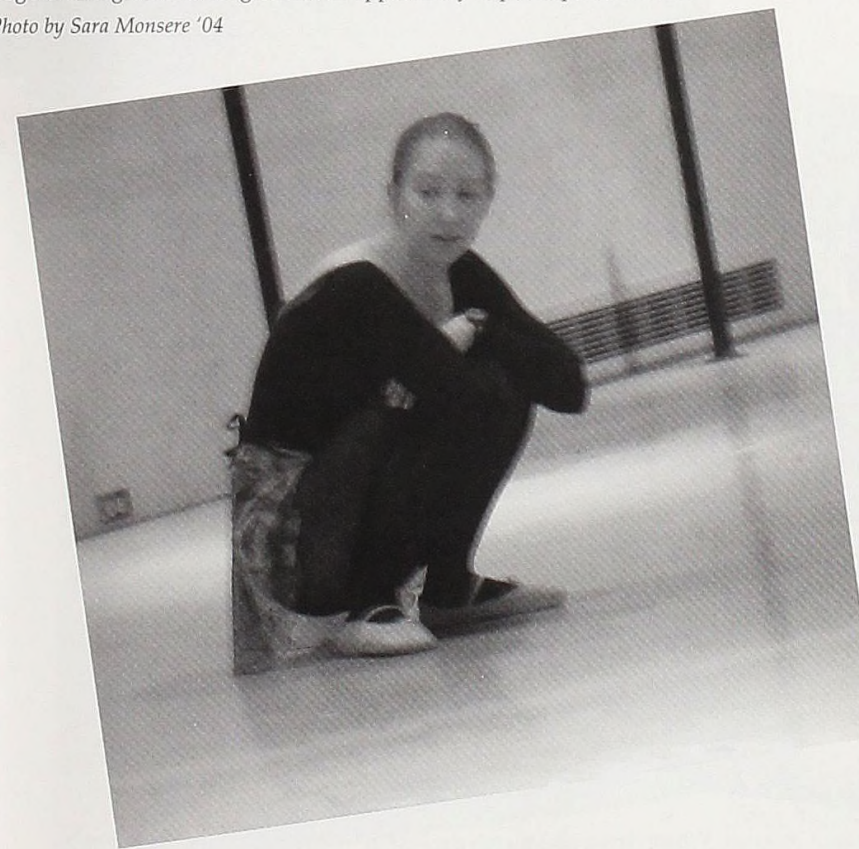


After ballet class, Kate stops for lunch at Joe's Place where she enjoys the selections available during meal advantage and a copy of the *New York Times*. Meal advantage allows students to eat meals around their busy schedules.

Photo by Sara Monsere '04

Kate's day includes an hour of Ballet class. Alma offers a strong performing arts program and gives even beginners the opportunity to participate in dance.

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Kate stretches at the bar during Ballet I class. She is taking the class to fill a distributive.

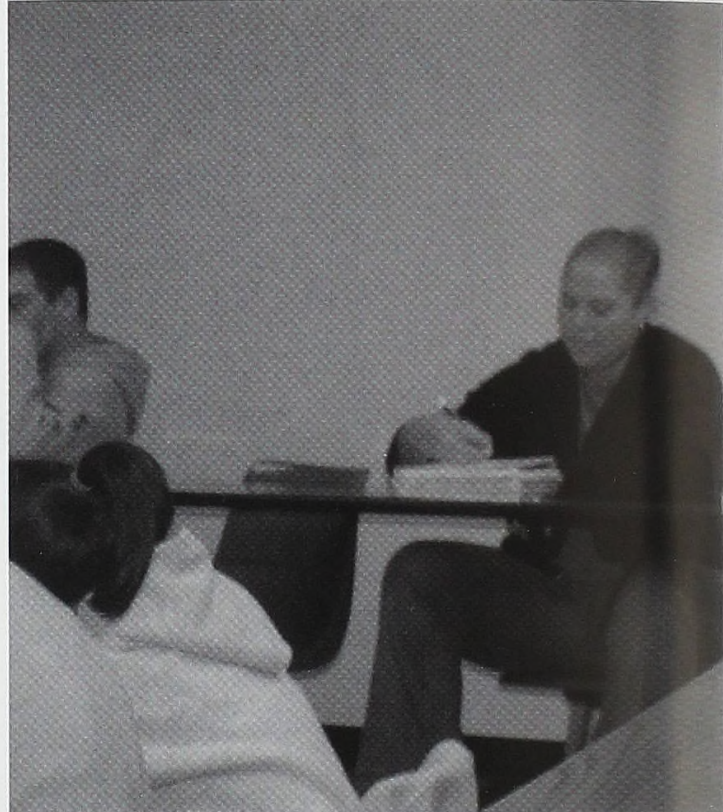
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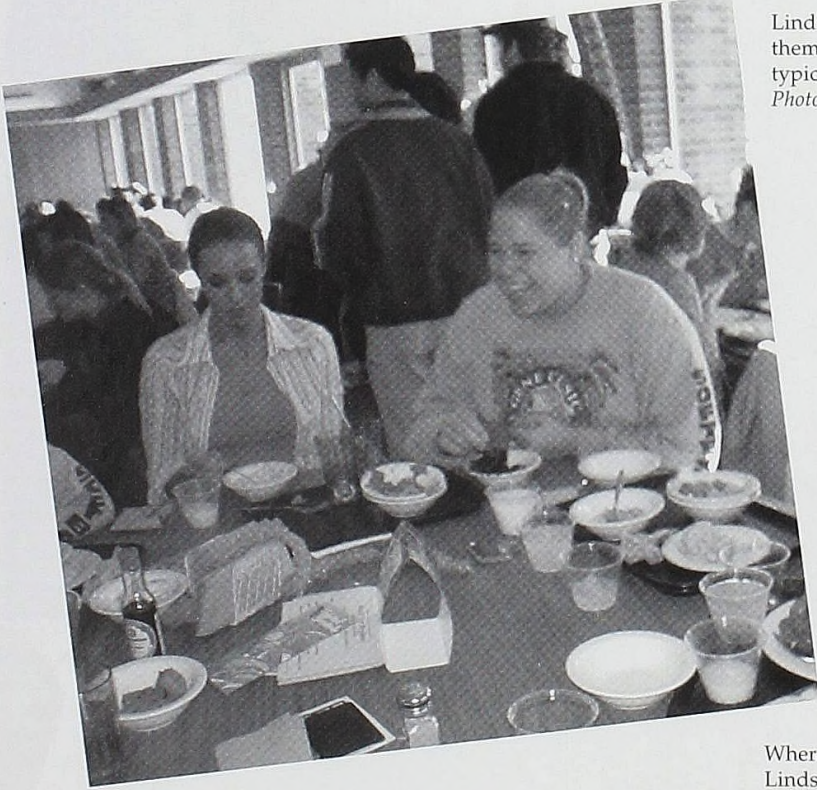
Thursday: A Day In the Life of Lindsay Powers



After spending the fall term in Australia, Lindsay Powers '04 returned to Alma to a hectic schedule of class, athletics, friends and fun. Like many students, this junior Communication major and Art minor showcases her talents in the classroom and on the sports field.



Lindsay begins her day in class. Many students roll out of bed to class or drag themselves there in the middle of the day, but class is the main part of the typical day for Alma College students.
Photo by Becca Ross '04



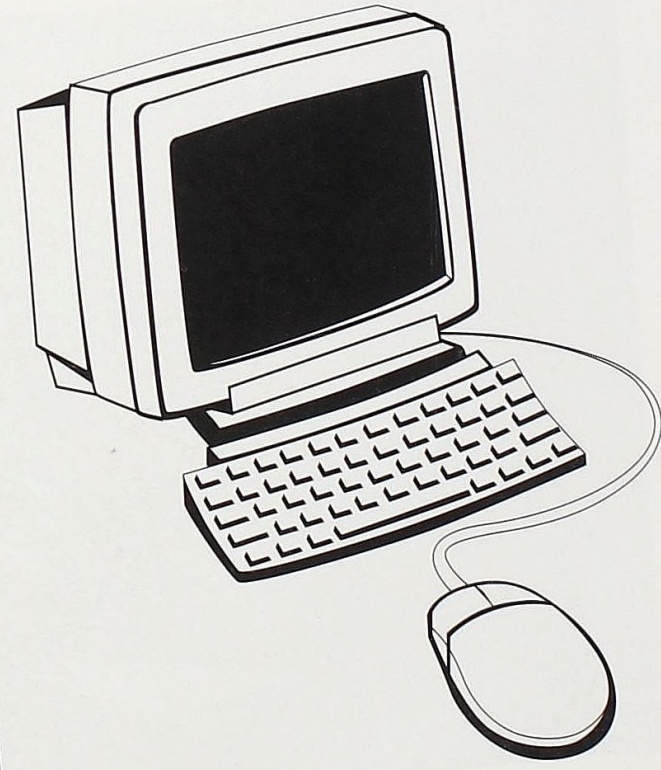
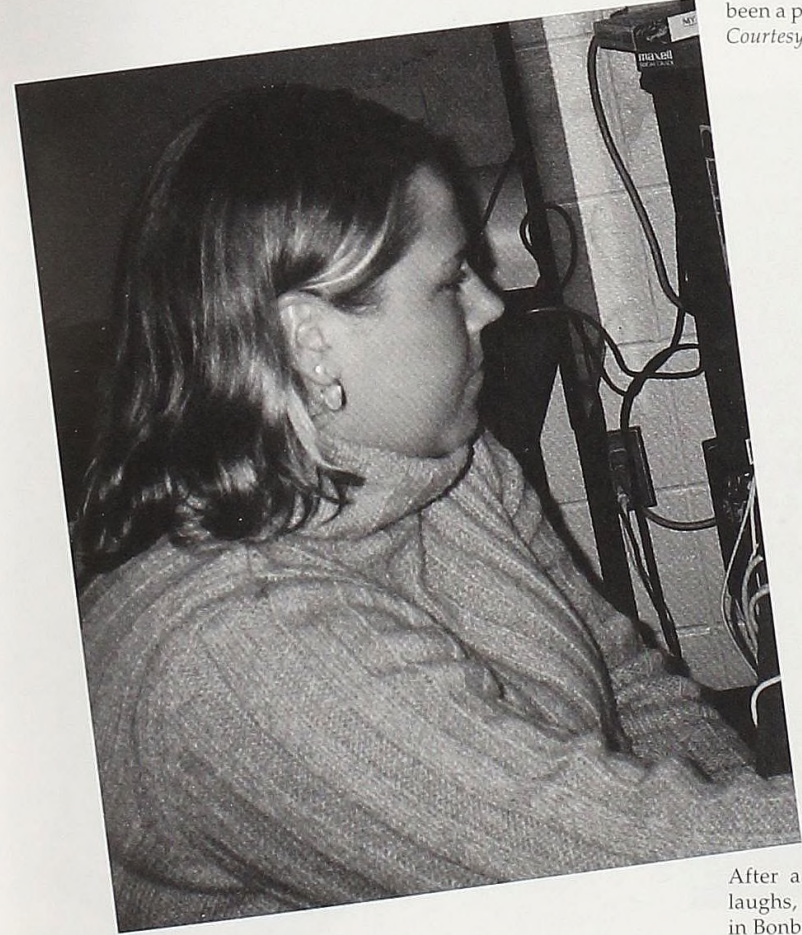
Wherever she goes there's always fun. Lindsay and friends enjoy a laugh during lunch at Saga.
Photo by Sara Monsere '04



Lindsay spends many hours during Winter and Spring terms practicing and competing with the softball team. Here, Lindsay takes her turn at bat during a game.
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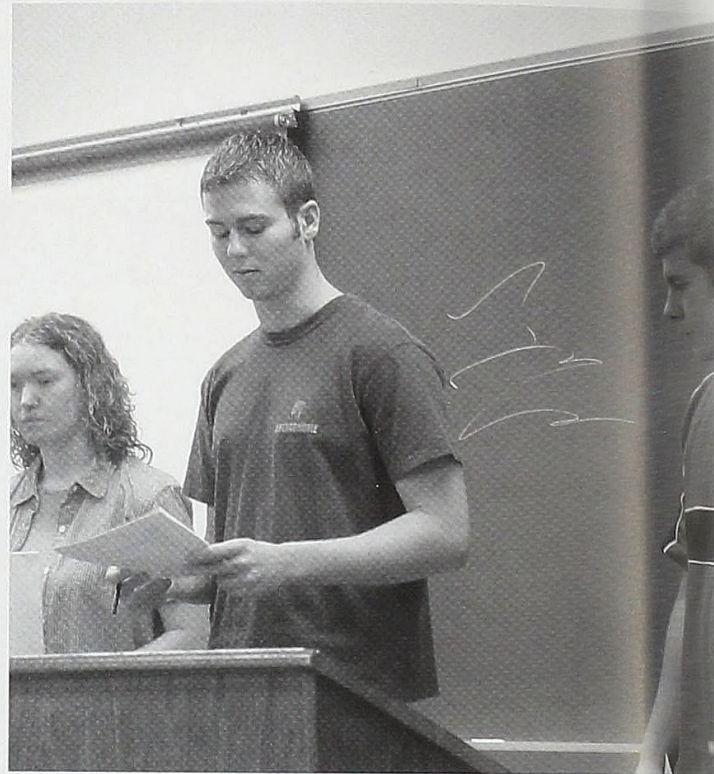
Members of the softball team line the fence to watch the game. Lindsay has been a part softball team's MIAA and national success for several seasons.
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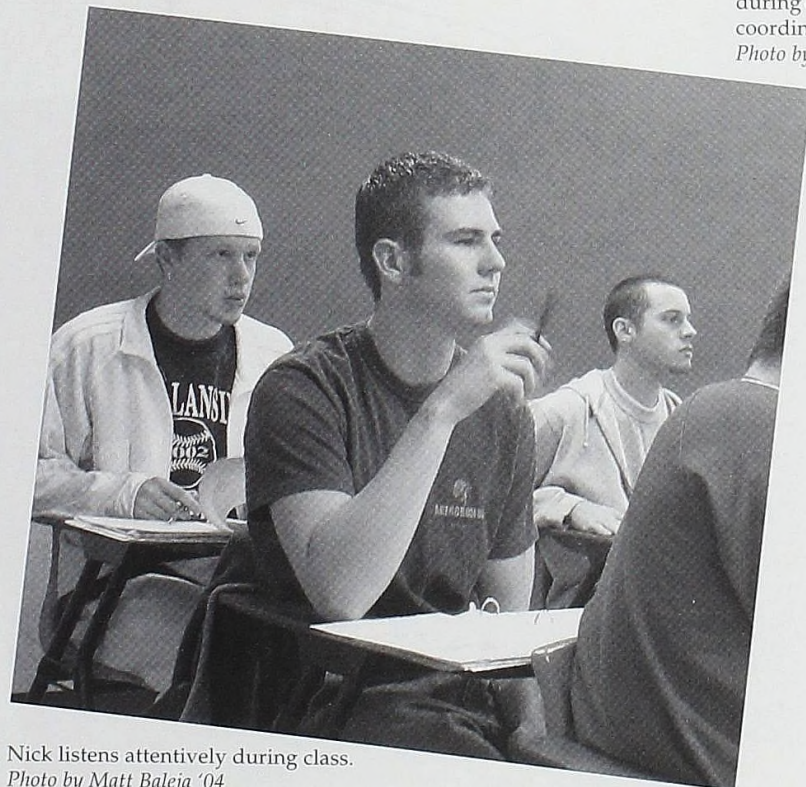
After a day of class, practice and laughs, Lindsay studies in her room in Bonbright Hall.
Photo by Meredith Henry '03

Friday: A Day In the Life of Nick Dunckle

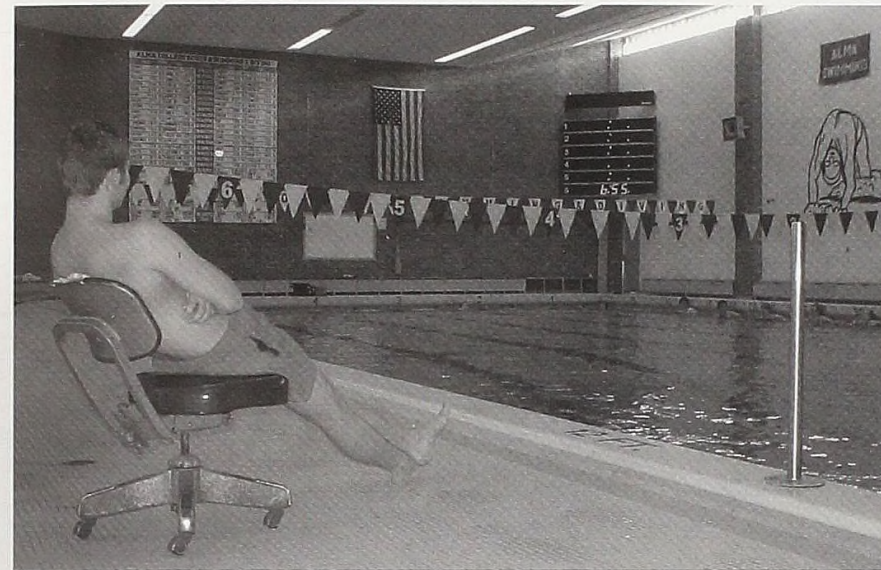
Life is less than ordinary for First Year student, Nick Dunckle. As both an Economics and Business major, Nick has to balance his studies with an on-campus job, athletics and social life. Many First Year students work to master the art of time management during their first year at Alma.



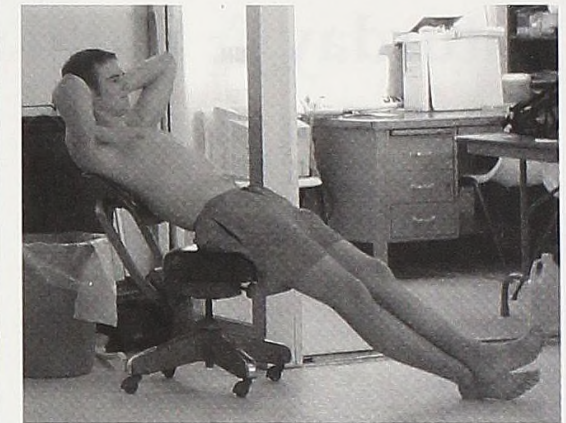
Rachel Dyke '05, Nick Dunckle '06 and Ben McDonald '06 make a presentation during class. Many classes encourage group projects that require students to coordinate their schedules to prepare outside of class.
Photo by Matt Baleja '04



Nick listens attentively during class.
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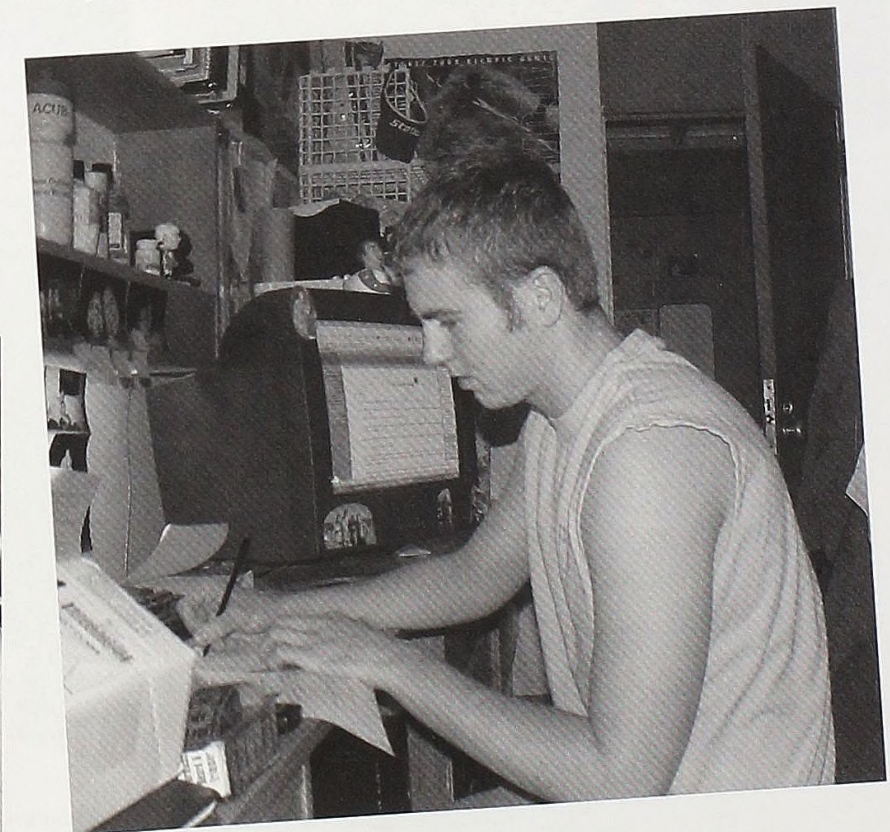
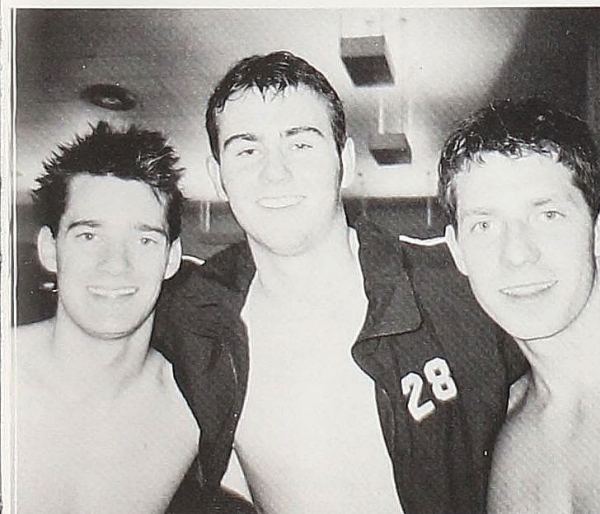
Nick watches the pool during his scheduled hours as a lifeguard. He has been a lifeguard since his junior year in high school continues to work a few times a week here at Alma.
Photo by Becca Ross '04



After a long day of class, work and practice, Nick makes time to type a paper as he sits at his desk in Gelston.
Photo by Becca Ross '04

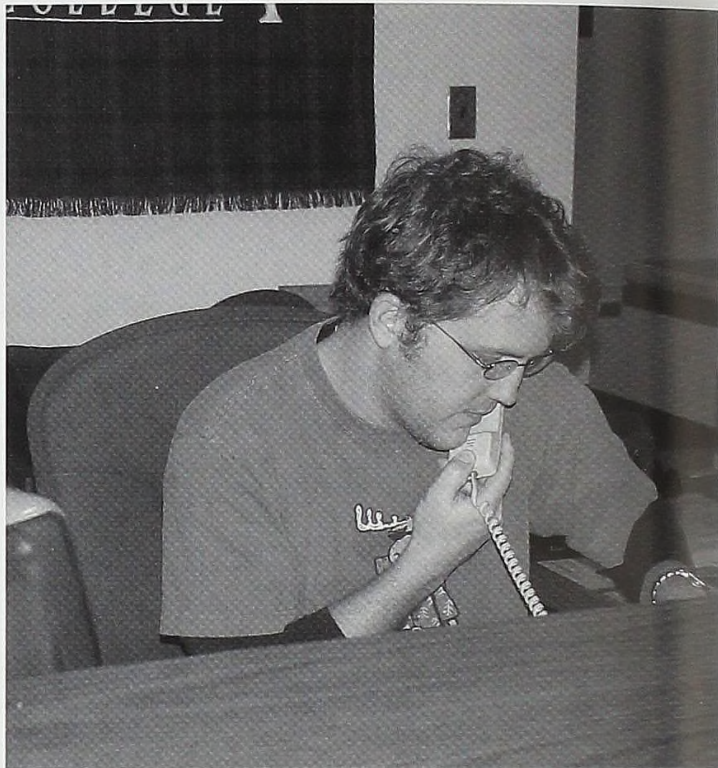


As both a lifeguard and a member of the swim team, Nick spends many hours at the pool, even weekend swim meets. Here Colin McLaughlin '04, Nick Dunckle '06 and Mike Porter '03 pose at DePauw University.



Saturday & Sunday: A Weekend In the Life of Dan Grey

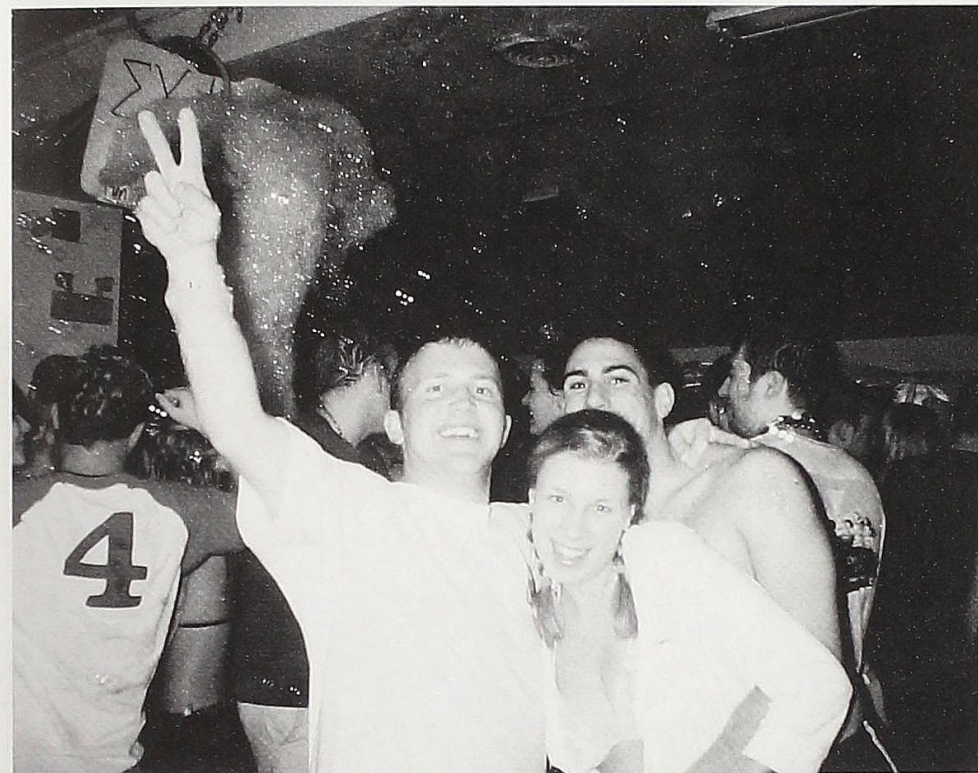
Weekends at Alma College operate at a different pace than the rest of the week. Many students take the opportunity to catch up on some home work or get some extra sleep during the day. By night, campus livens up with various parties and functions. As Sigma Chi's Social Chair, Dan Grey keeps busy during the day and night on weekends.



Need someone's number? Call Dan Grey at main switch. Dan begins his Saturday working the main telephone switchboard.
Photo by Becca Ross '04



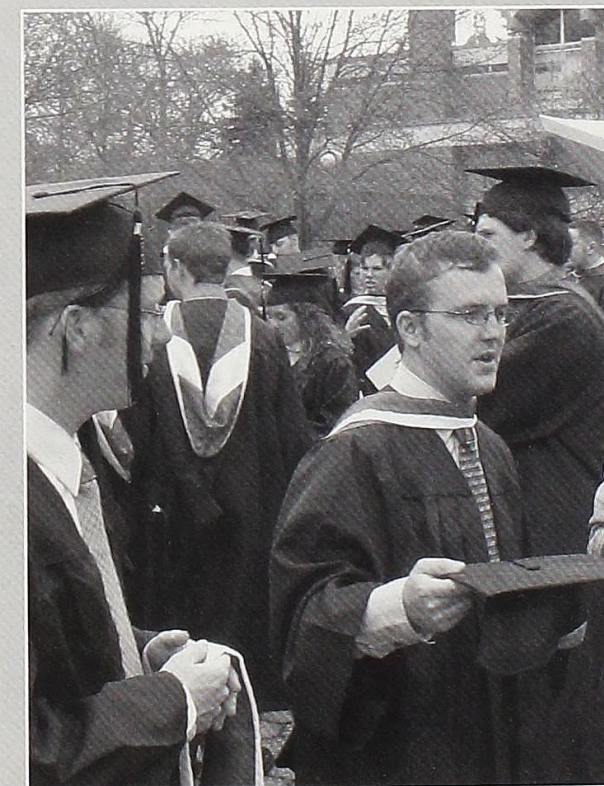
After working a few hours at main switch, Dan hangs out with friends at a local restaurant. He lives at the Sigma Chi house and anticipates the evening's activities.
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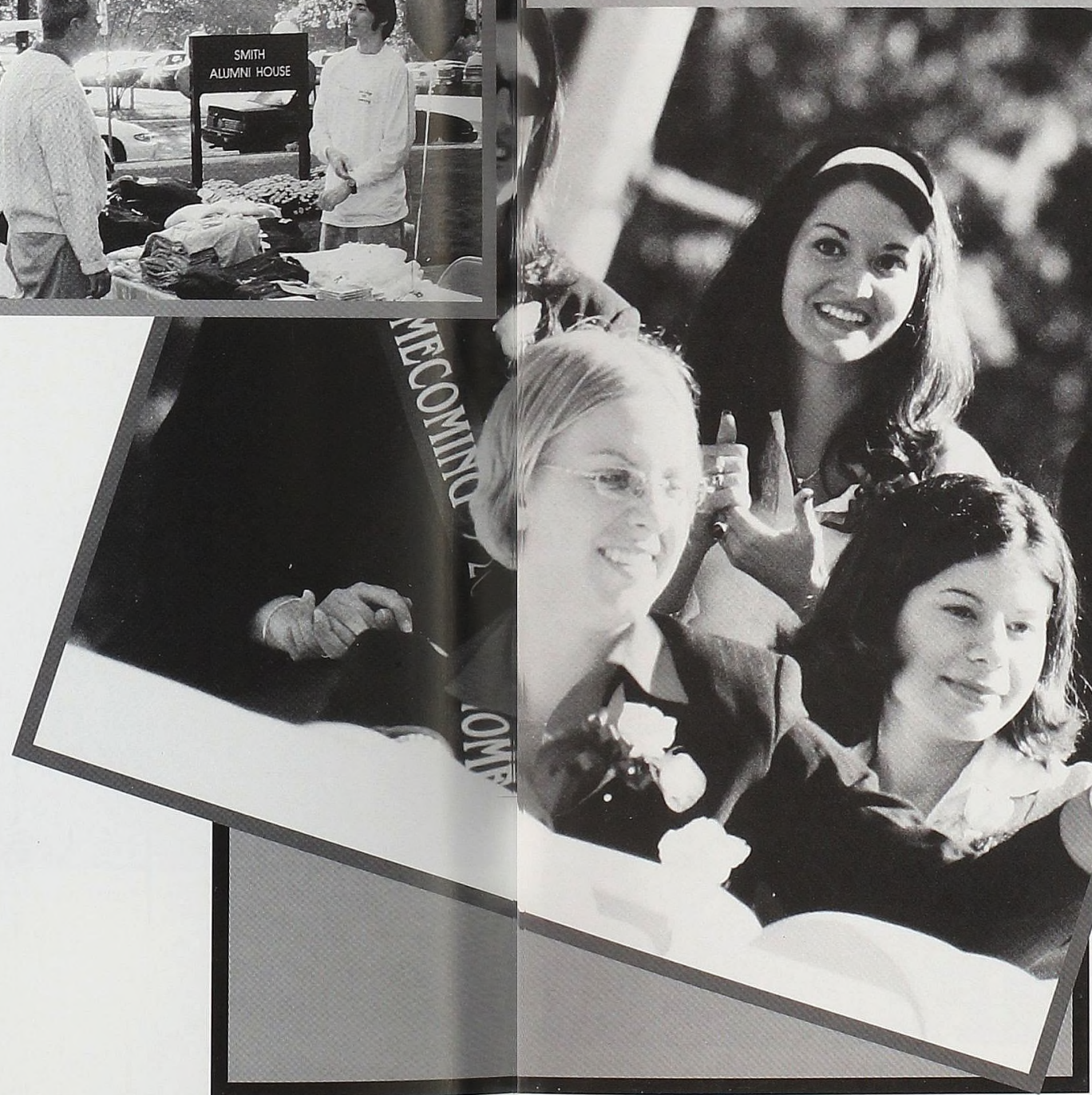
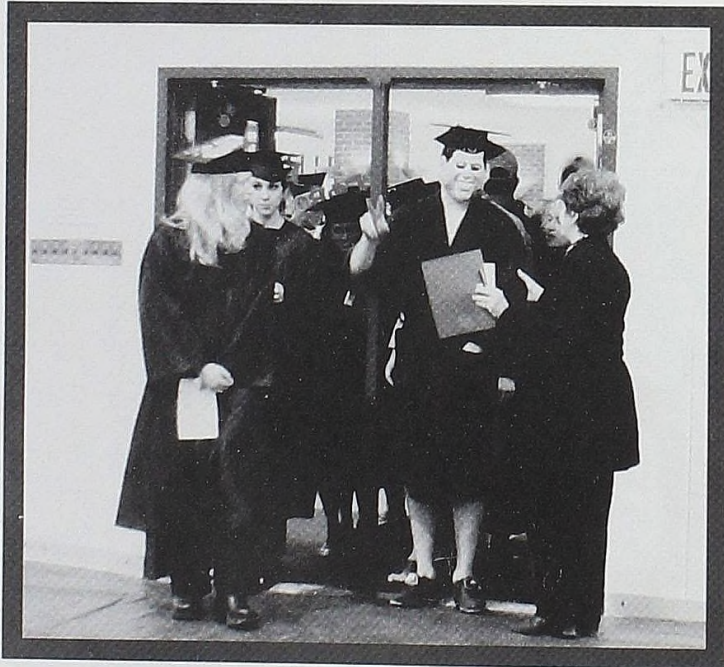
As Sigma Chi's Social Chair, Dan arranged many successful parties. He threw the first "foam party," after Sigma Chi purchased a foam machine that filled the chapter room with suds. Here Dan Grey '03, Brenda Popplestone '05 and Matteo LoPiccolo '04 enjoy Dan's party planning expertise at the Saturday night foam party.
Photo by Becca Ross '04



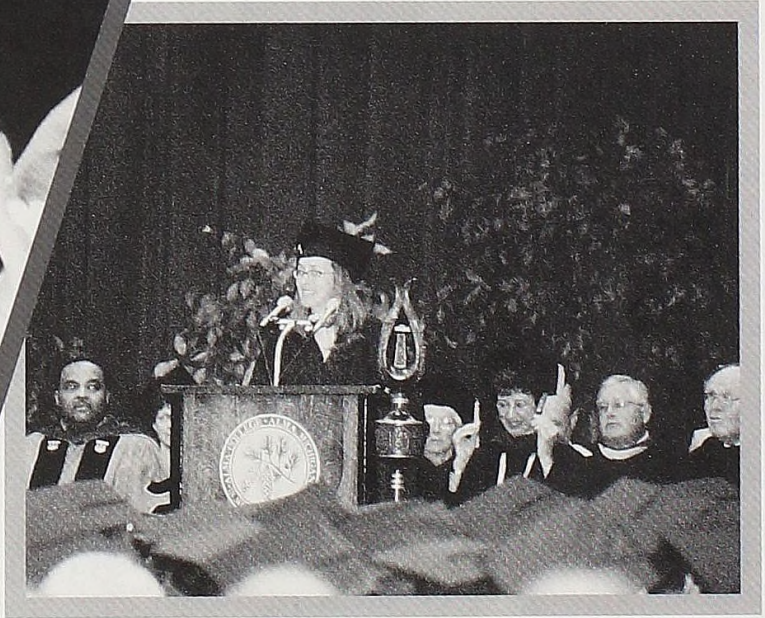
In normal Sunday morning style, Dan and other Sigma Chi brothers enjoy Saga brunch and stories from Saturday night.
Photo by Sara Monsere '04



Brian Priehs '03 and Dan Grey '03 line up in McIntyre Mall before graduation ceremony. Graduation weekend was busy, but enjoyed by this year's seniors during their last weekend together on campus.
Photo by Matt Baleja '04



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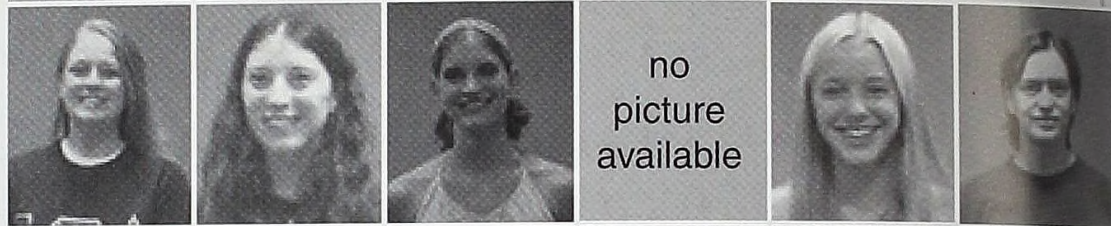
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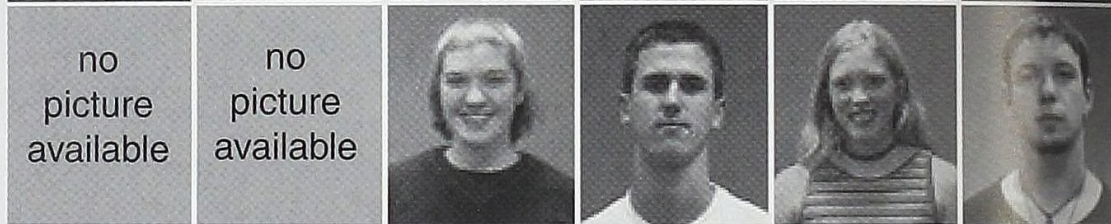
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Then and Now: 1999-2003

Remember back to Pre-Term 1999 when the year 2003 seemed so far away? For this year's seniors, their four years at Alma have come and gone faster than ever expected. During that first week on campus, it was hard to imagine what the next four years would bring.

After hours of class, athletics, involvement in organizations, attending speakers, and even traveling abroad, Alma College has come to mean a lot. The class of '03 entered Pre-Term as a group of impressionable first year students and leaves having lived and learned many life

lessons. "I've changed so much from being a timid leader. I really grew as an individual over the four years," commented senior Julianne Schaffer.

Everyone has experienced their four years in college a little differently, but the friendships and memories

made over these four years bonds the the class of 2003 together for the rest of their lives.



Mike Leahy and Janay Anderson are escorted by their parents during Homecoming celebrations. Mike and Janay were crowned King and Queen, representing the senior class. Homecoming was just one of many great memories the class of 2003 shares.

Photo by Matt Baleja '04

Senior Academic and Athletic Success

By Meredith Henry '03

The Alma College class of 2003 represents a large pool of talent both in and out of the classroom. When students weren't hitting the books, many were kicking, running, swimming and swinging to success as an Alma College athlete. The opportunity to partici-

pate in college athletics draws many to a college like Alma. These seniors were no different as they have continued their success and even improved their athletic ability while at Alma.

"I knew I could compete and play here at Alma. I didn't want to go to a big school where I'd only be a practice player," commented Jess

Roberts when asked why she decided to play soccer at Alma. Tom Sterling, senior track and cross country runner said, "It takes a lot of time management and dedication to be an athlete all four years, but you make a lot of great friends and memories."

Many students have participated in MIAA

championship teams, earning berths and competing at the national level while enrolled as an Alma College student. Although there may never be enough hours in the day for class and practice, the athletes of the class of 2003, they would tell you it is well worth every minute.



Seniors Dawna Anderson and Lisa Miller stay ahead of the pack during a cross country meet.

Photo by Becca Ross '04



Jess Roberts has been a key player on the Women's Soccer team during her four years at Alma. Here she keeps the ball from a Kalamazoo College player.

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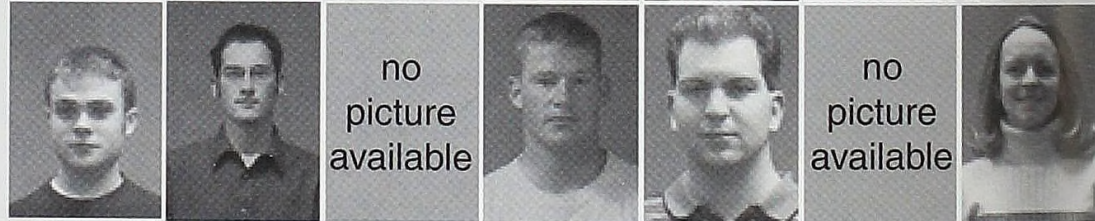
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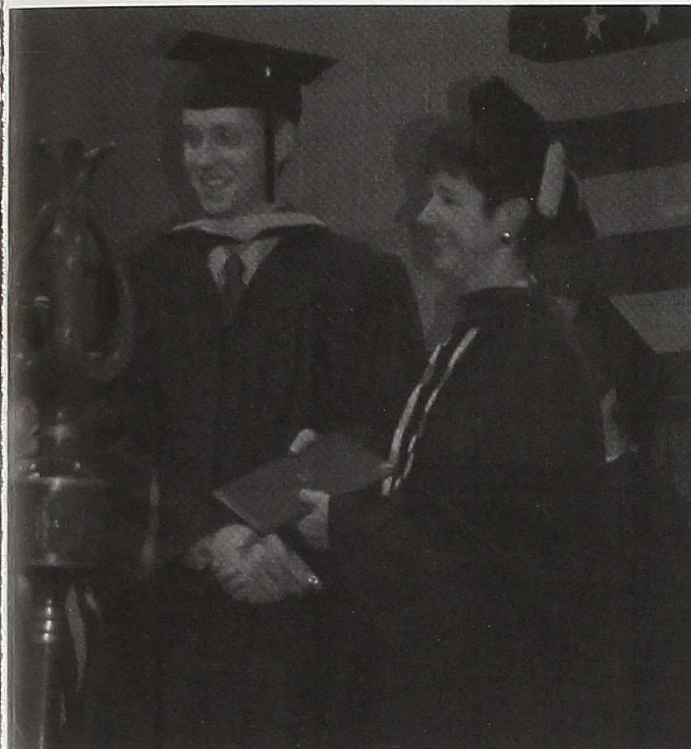
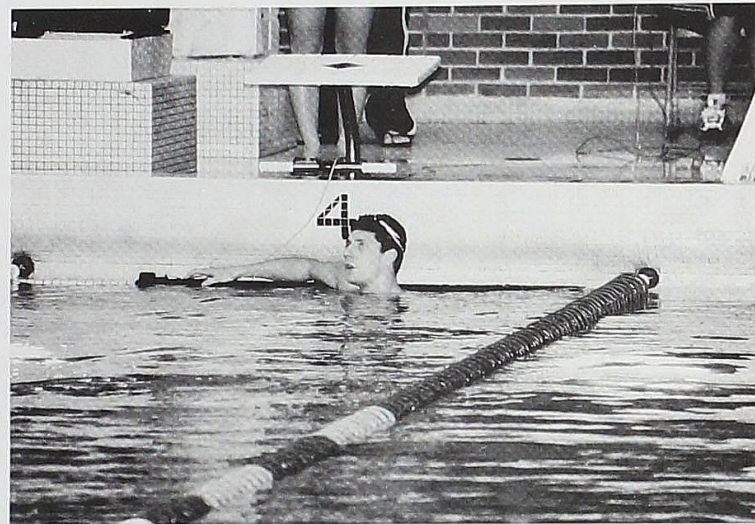


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Brooke Palm '03, dances during a performance of *The Nutcracker*. Brooke has played many key roles during her four years in the Alma College Dance Company.
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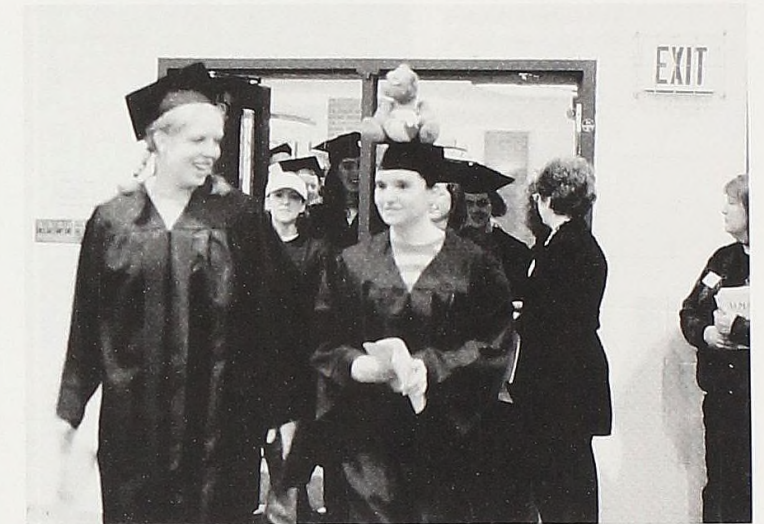


Mike Porter anticipates his time after a race during a home swim meet.
Photo By Becca Ross '04



Andrew Knecht accepts his Bachelor of Science degree from Dr. Tracey during Commencement.
Photo By Matt Baleja '04

Janell Twietmeyer and Becky Emerson enter Honors Convocation wearing their decorated caps.
Photo By Becca Ross '04



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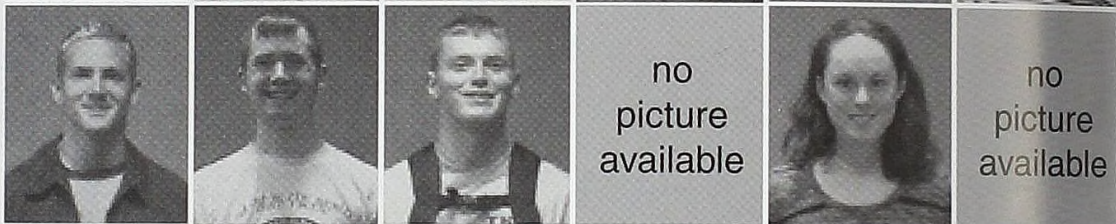
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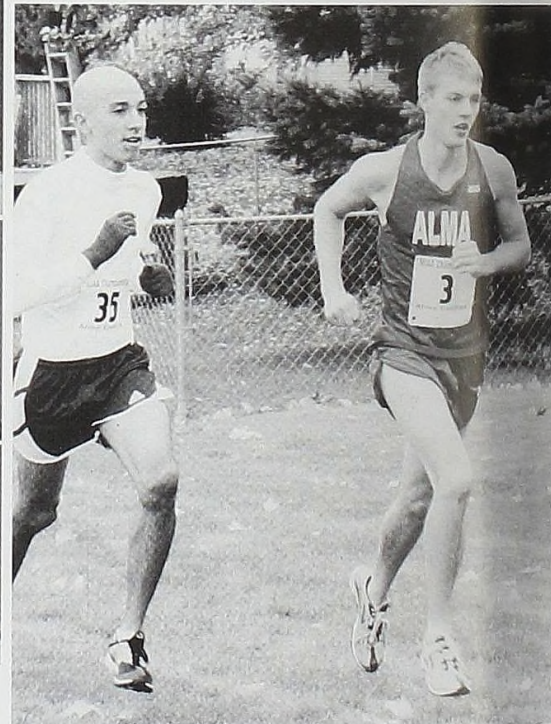
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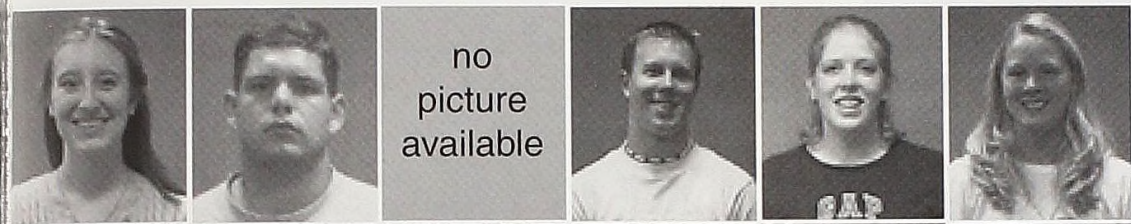
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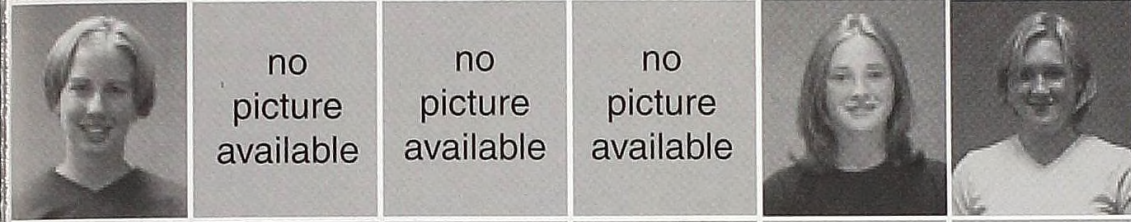
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Senior Joe Bush runs to the finish at a Cross Country meet.
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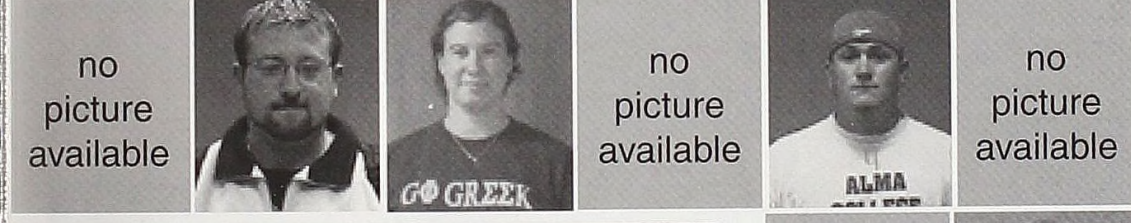
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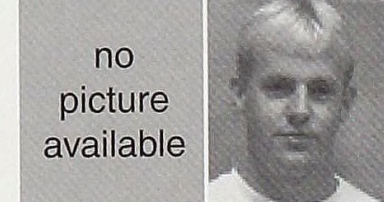


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Steph Goodall and Allison Dixon wait for Run-Outs to begin. The memories and friends made at Alma will last a lifetime.

Photo by Matt Baleja '04



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Wyman, David



Wysocki, Jennifer
Yockey, Elizabeth



Zawilinski, Nicolette
Zuiker, Bradley

History Made and in the Making

Graduation 2003

By Meredith Henry '03

Four years at Alma have come and gone much faster than the class of 2003 could have ever expected. April 19, 2003 marked a day when this year's seniors could celebrate their four years at Alma College and anticipate the future at the 116th Commencement.

On a picture-perfect sunny day, the class of 2003 processed in to Hogan Physical Athletic Center where family and friends awaited the entrance of the 264 graduates. The Kiltie Band performed the traditional "Pomp and Circumstance," as the graduates made their way in to the gymnasium.

The ceremony began with the invocation led by Reverend Christine Vogel. David Chapoton, Chair of the Board

of Trustees, delivered a welcome from the Board followed by "Loch Lomond," performed by the Alma College Choir.

2003 Student Barlow recipient, Shannon Finnegan '03 addressed her fellow graduates about "five things she's learned during college at Alma." Her list drew laughs and even some tears from the crowd as she remarked about common diagnoses at the Med-Shed and the encouragement from family and faculty.

This year's commencement speaker was a familiar figure at Alma College. Past President, Robert Swanson spoke about "Unfinished Business," and emphasized that you never stop growing and learning. Dr. Swanson's

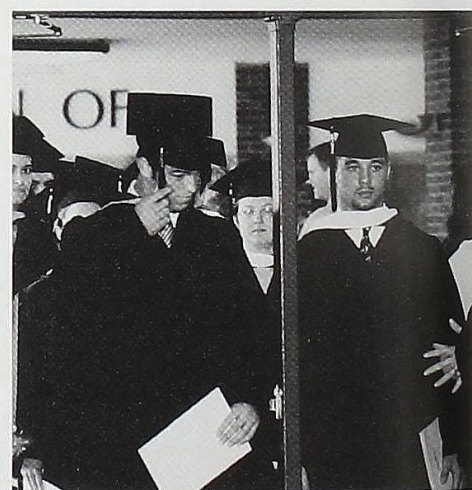
words were backed by his legacy here at Alma College. During his time as President, Dr. Swanson increased academic standards, expanded the physical appearance of the campus by adding 14 buildings. Even after his time as President, Dr. Swanson has continued to enhance Alma College and touch many lives.

After a standing ovation for Dr. Swanson's address, the class of 2003 was presented as each graduate was announced and walked across the stage to receive their diploma from President Tracey. Cheers and applause for the entire class sounded as the last senior crossed the stage. Special recognition was given to the Nugent family as late classmate, Jon Nugent was remembered through the presenta-

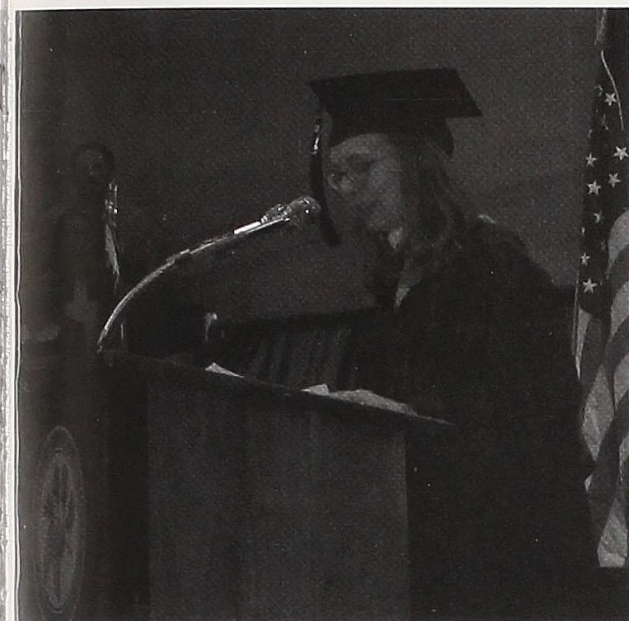
tion of a certificate. It was an emotional part of the ceremony as Nugent meant so much to many people and was remembered by his class on this special day.

Dr. John Davis, was awarded the Charles A. Dana Professorship. Dr. John Arnold and Dr. David Lawrence were award Faculty Barlow awards. In Alma College tradition, the ceremony ended with the singing of the Alma Matter.

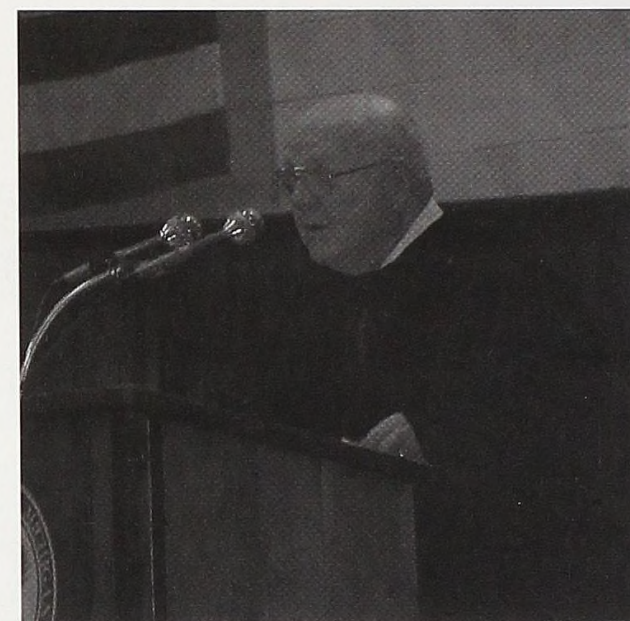
Graduation 2003 was a day to remember and celebrate knowing that the class of 2003 has made history at Alma College and has a lot of history still to make.



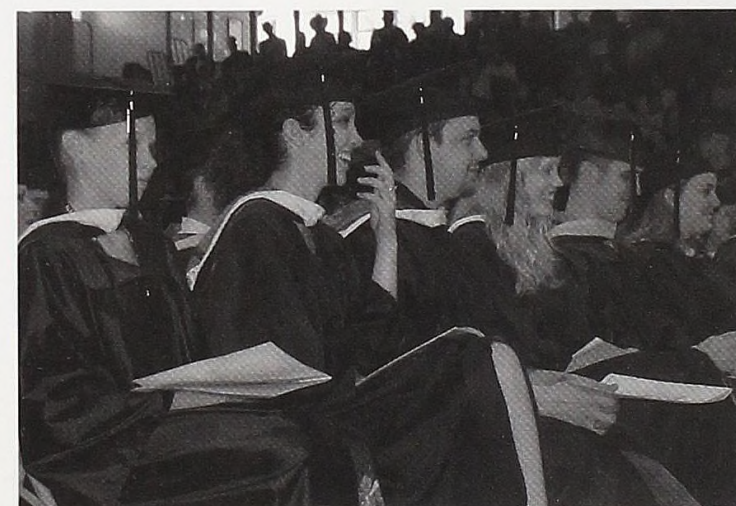
Jennifer Antoline, Tom Aceto and Michael Abbey wait outside the gym for "Pomp and Circumstance" to begin.
Photo by Becca Ross '04



2003 Barlow winner, Shannon Finnegan delivers her humorous and heartwarming speech about five things she's learned during college at Alma.
Photo by Matt Baleja '04



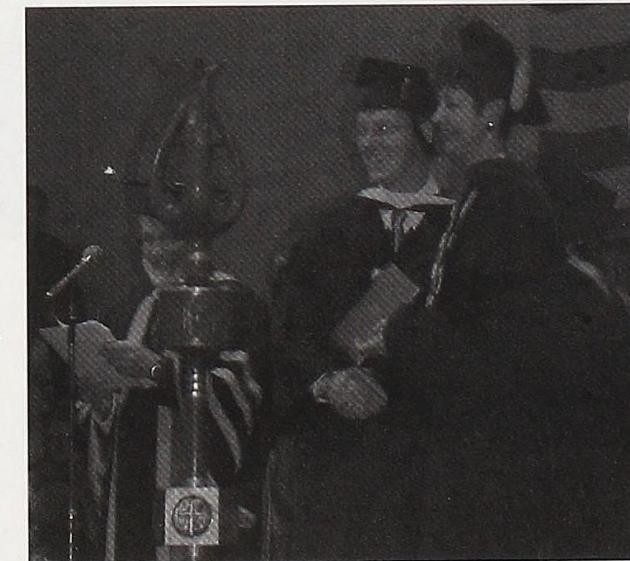
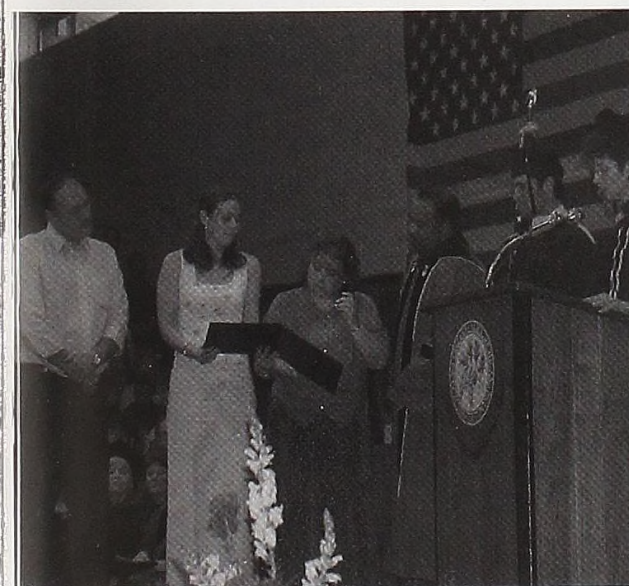
Past Alma College President, Dr. Robert Swanson delivers the commencement, titled "Unfinished Business." Dr. Swanson delivered a meaningful message to seniors venturing beyond Alma College.
Photo by Matt Baleja '04

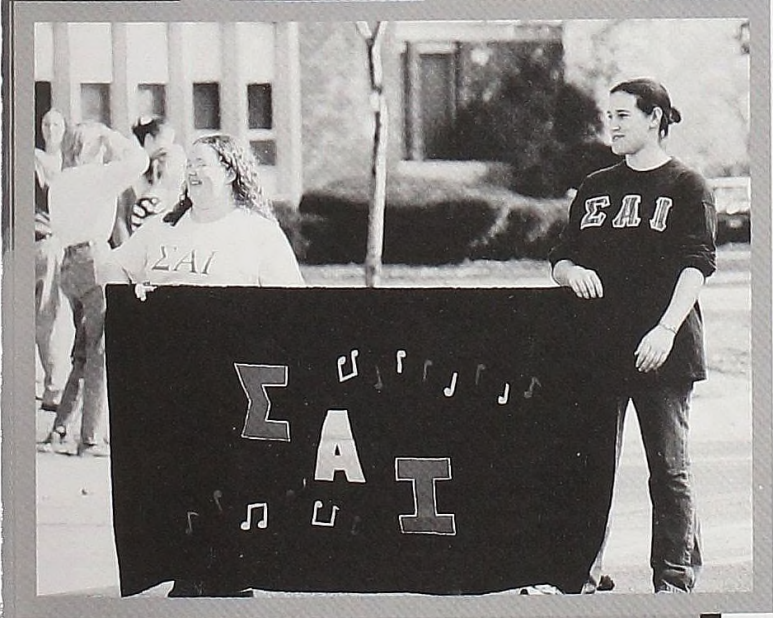
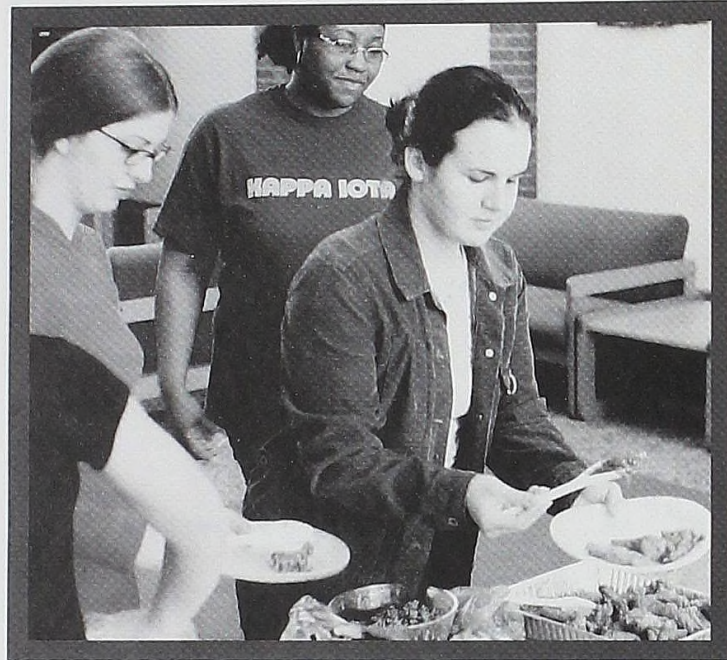


Jon Nugent was remembered and honored with special recognition. Here the Nugent family accepts a certificate in his memory, presented by President Tracy, Jared Evans '03 and Dan Draper '03.
Photo by Matt Baleja '04

Stacey Brown, Kristen Brown, Andy Brege, Tara Bran and Jeremy Braun react during remarks at the commencement ceremony.
Photo by Matt Baleja '04

Brian Priehs smiles for the camera with President Tracey and his diploma.
Photo by Matt Baleja '04





Adventure Club

Mud, Sweat, Sun, Fun. Whatever the weather, wherever they go, members of this club are always ready for an adventure. These nature-lovin' students spent a large portion of the year enjoying the out-of-doors.

Over fall break they travelled up to Pictured Rocks to go hiking. The next weekend they went camping at Camp Cutler in Riverdale, MI, a trip that was open to the entire campus. At the end of autumn a small group of students worked on restoring the 22-mile Pine River Canoe Trail, clearing blockage so canoes could safely navigate. When the weather got cold they strapped on the skis and snowboards and went on weekly excursions to Caberfae Peaks in Cadillac.

~Sarah DeYoung '07



A rainy weekend didn't dampen the spirits of these campers. While Kyle Pietila '06, Mitch DeYoung '04, Steve Bailey '06, Kristy Muxlow '06 and Matt Baleja '04 try to cut down a tree to make firewood (above), Derek Miller '05 amuses himself by collecting smaller twigs and branches (left).



Matt Baleja '04, Megan Hlavaty '05, Rachel Cummings '04, Mitch DeYoung '04, Kristy Muxlow '06, Laurie Eccles '04 and Jon Naile '06 prepare to pile into canoes and head out onto the Pine River to clear out the canoe trail.

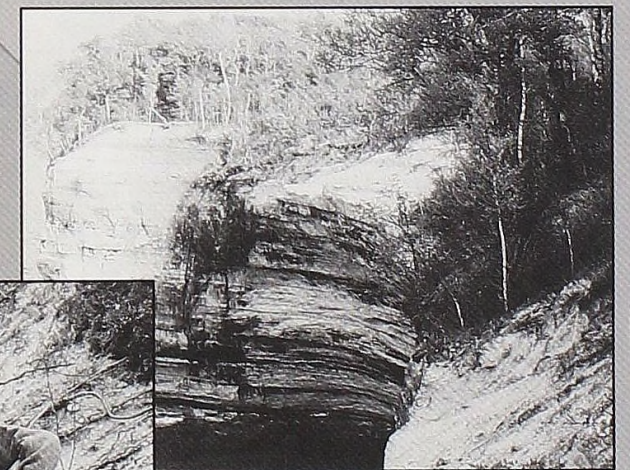


Allison McLachlan '06, Liz Kunkle '04, Kari Johnson '05 and Rebecca Ross '04 try to stay warm by drinking hot cocoa and sitting by the fire.



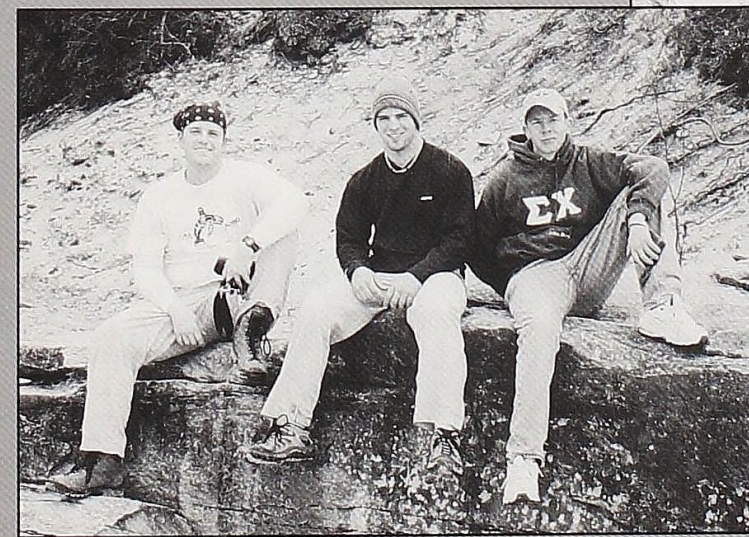
Steve Bailey '06, Kristy Muxlow '06, Chelsey Foster '06, Allison McLachlan '06, Kyle Pietila '06, Mitch DeYoung '04 and Matt Baleja '04 take a break during a long hike through the woods in search of a lake.

Matt Baleja '04, Kristy Muxlow '06 and Kyle Pietila '06 prepare to make breakfast over the campfire.



Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore provided for a scenic location to have a backpacking trip during Fall Break.

Matt Baleja '04, Mitch DeYoung '04 and John Swise '05 rest on a cliff during the Pictured Rocks backpacking trip.



Reaching New Heights



The Climbing Club had a record number of members this year. Many of the new members were freshmen who were excited about the possibility to learn new climbing moves from the experienced upperclassmen. The chance to do some outdoor climbing at the Ledges and Red River Gorge also drew in the new climbers. The club focuses on safety and fun while participating in these excursions. While the club was prepared when they went Kentucky, there was still one trip to the hospital after Freshman Ben Tidman cut his foot while chopping fire wood.. He was fixed with a couple of stitches and continued heading out to the walls with the group. In addition to climbing, during their trip to Kentucky the group got to know each other better. One of the favorite moments on the trip was Caleb Woods' telling of the White Elephant Story. Aside from bettering their own climbing skills, the group also held a second year of kids' climbing classes, which served as a fund-raiser to help the club purchase new equipment.

~Sarah DeYoung '07 and Becky Feuerstein '06



Reach for the rocks

Freshman Jon Naile practices his footwork at the Rec center's indoor climbing wall, a great place for beginners to take their first steps. (upper left)

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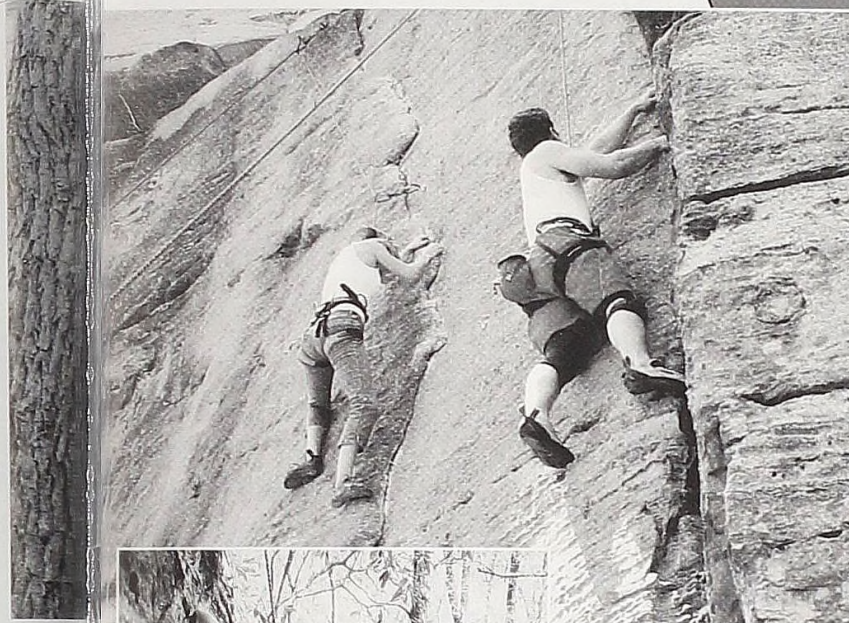
Mmmm...Miguel's.

The group gathers at the best restaurant in the Red River Gorge.

Back: Jeremy Hix, Jerry Ross, Becky Feuerstein, Tim Slade, Anna Long, Gabe Purrenhage, Mitch DeYoung, Grant Kinney, Jon Davenport.

Front: Miriam Zinger, Laurie Eccles, Kate (Jeremy's girlfriend), Robin Levere

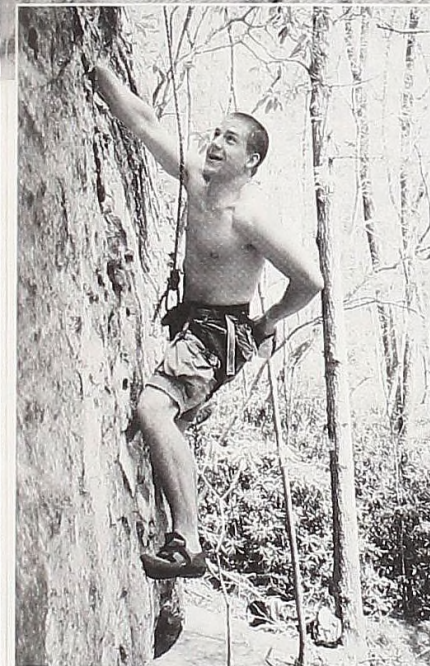
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Searching for Knobs

Looking for her next move, Junior Laurie Eccles takes a quick pause on solid footholds.

Photo courtesy of Laurie Eccles



Side by Side

Freshman Miriam Zinger and Junior Mitch DeYoung race each other to the top. Zinger's most memorable part of the trip was getting her first speeding ticket on the way home from Kentucky.

Photo courtesy of Laurie Eccles

Climbin' and Lovin' It
Sophomore Jon Davenport attempts a big move at the left Flank Wall.

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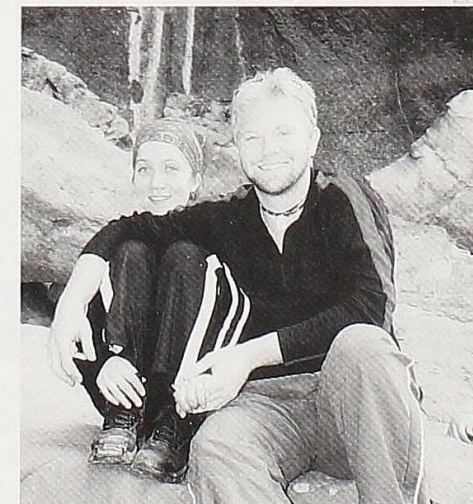


Strain your neck and look up.
Juniors Tim Slade, Grant Kinney, Anna Long and Senior Robin Levere gaze as a fellow climber makes it to the top of a route at the Pebble Beach Wall. (far right)

Photo courtesy of Laurie Eccles

What a cute couple
Anna and Tim cuddle after a long day of climbing in Kentucky. (right)

Photo courtesy of Laurie Eccles



Home Sweet Home

The Alma Leadership Alliance makes students and alumni feel as if Alma College is their home away from home.



Photo by YB staff

This year's events included an ice cream social during Preterm to welcome all first-year students. ALA did a lot of work in preparation for Homecoming, inviting the alumni back home. Numerous alumni brunches were also scheduled throughout the year. In addition, ALA sponsored many Living-and-Working-In opportunities for current students so that they could interact with Alma alumni and witness first-hand the kind of career opportunities that are available for Alma graduates in cities such as Detroit, Grand Rapids and Chicago. ALA also made it a point to comfort students on campus by providing opportunities for them to receive birthday cakes and balloons, and exam treats during the most stressful time of the year.

~Sarah DeYoung '07

Do you want snacks with your studying? Many ALA members spend their afternoon filling bags with cookies, crackers and Ramen to energize worn out Alma students at the end of each term.

Rita from Rita's Hallmark shop helps out the ALA by providing balloon bouquets for any occasion to raise the spirits of Alma students.

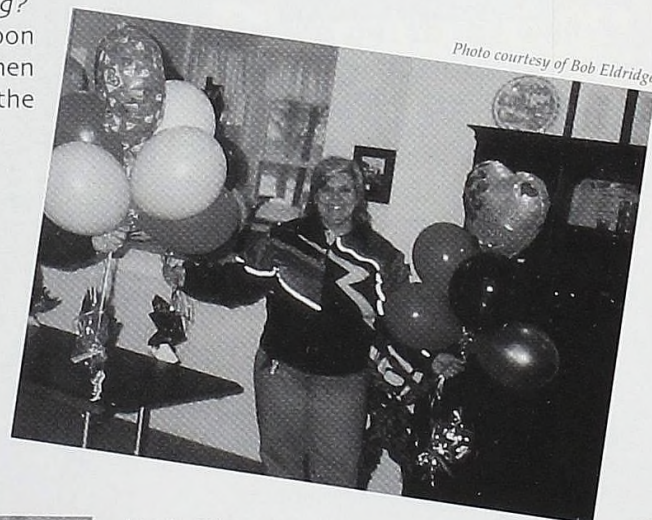


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Some of Bob's Crew



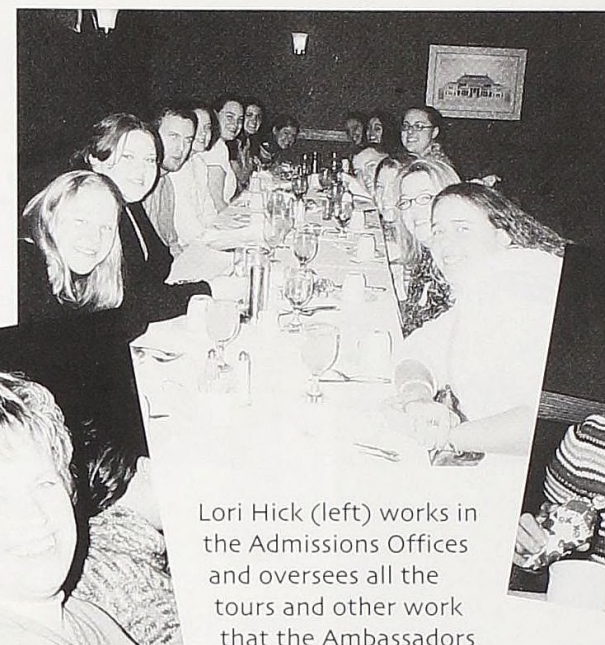
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Chillin' in the windy city. Bob's Crew takes a break from the busyness of the year to retreat to Chicago and meet up with some old friends.

Students who attended the Brunch at Embers in Mt. Pleasant included (clockwise from BL) Billie Radtke '05, Renee Bourgeois '04, John Kruse '06, Holly Berridge '03, Stephanie Berner '05, Liz Brewer '04, Kim Light '05, Aimee Williams '03, Tara Magandanz '05, Emily Breczinski '04, Jason Caswell '05, Cassie Culver '05, Melissa Riser '04 and Amanda Olin '05.

Brunch photos courtesy of Admissions Office



Kim Light enjoys the treats she received at the Ambassador Brunch in February.

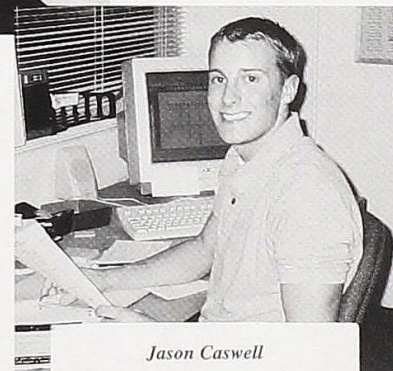


Lori Hick (left) works in the Admissions Offices and oversees all the tours and other work that the Ambassadors take part in.



Holly Berridge '03 and Jason Caswell '05 take phone calls and schedule campus visits for prospective students and their families.

Photos courtesy of Admissions Office



Jason Caswell



Nicole Graham '05 spends an afternoon giving a tour to a prospective student and her family.

Photo courtesy of the PR office.

"Hello, Welcome to Alma!" The Alma Ambassadors greet students as they enter the admissions office. They then proceed to bring the students to lunch and on tours. Ambassadors also set up appointments for the prospective to meet with professors and attend classes. Some Ambassadors host students overnight. Others are active parts of panels during Experi-

ence Alma and Discovery Days. The Ambassadors do all their work voluntarily out of the goodness of their hearts, but there is also some what of an incentive. Points are earned for hours of service and prizes are awarded throughout the year such as shirts and key chains at the end of each term.

~Sarah DeYoung '07

All the new freshmen are welcomed by Ambassadors and other admissions staff in the lobby of the Heritage Center at the start of Tartan Day. Welcome to the Alma family!

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The Alma Ambassadors do all they can to allow prospective students to have the best campus visit in hopes they'll choose Alma College.

Selling the School

Chemistry Club

Creating an explosion

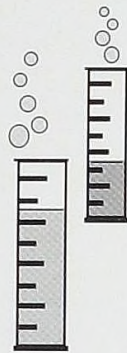
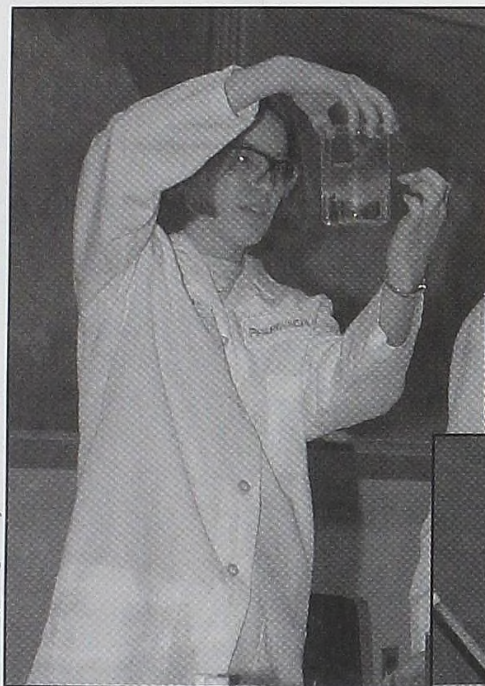


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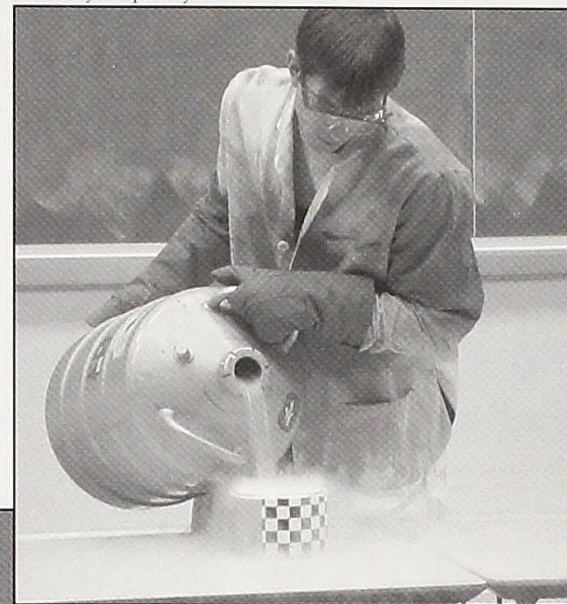
Do you like science and interaction with children? If so, then the AC Chem Club is your organization. This group spends their time throughout the year travelling to schools entertaining and educating elementary students in the field of chemistry, allowing them to witness chemical reactions that create flames, foam and huge explosions. Their theme of the year was

"Bigger, Better, Louder." This theme was also incorporated in their annual "Science Blowout" which occurred in the fall and at the AC Little Sibs Weekend in the spring. Siblings and community members were amazed during "The Big Show!" and they also got to experience chemistry and other sciences by partaking in hands-on activities throughout the day.

~Sarah DeYoung '07

Junior Dan Brancheau demonstrates the power of Nitrogen gas during "The Big Show!" (right)

Photo by Skip Traynor



Seniors Joe Phillips and Sarah Jewell (below) work together to provide entertainment to the onlooking children.

Two kids look on with amazement as Jill Reinbold '05 and Angela Zischke '05 (right) use chemical reactions to fill a balloon.

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Senior Sarah Jewell (above) takes her turn at demonstrating the awesome power of chemicals.

The club members who helped run this year's "Science Blow-out" pose on the stage with their favorite scientific instrument or chemical.

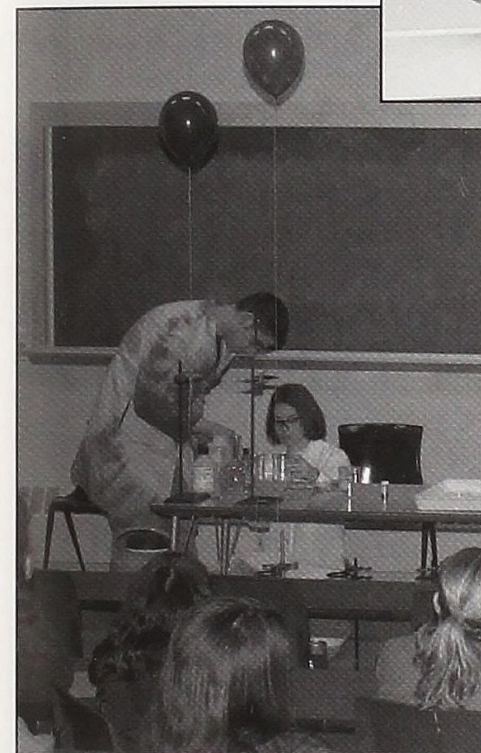
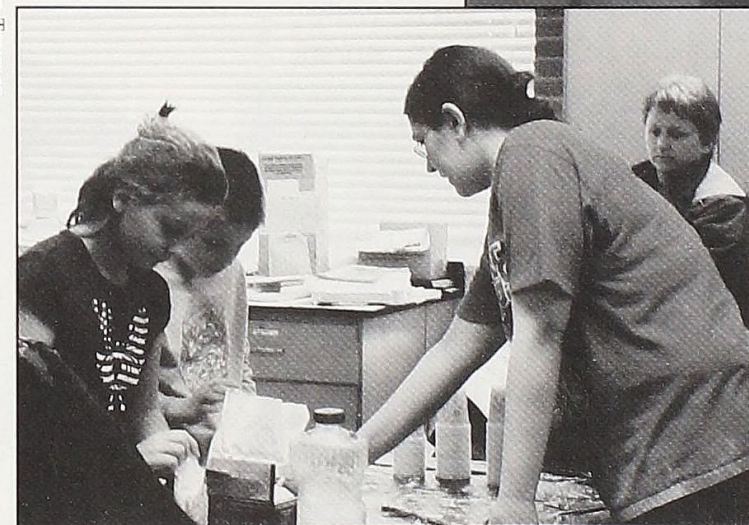


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AC Siblings create their own explosions with the help of freshman Michelle Hamilton in a hands-on activity at "Science Blow-out."

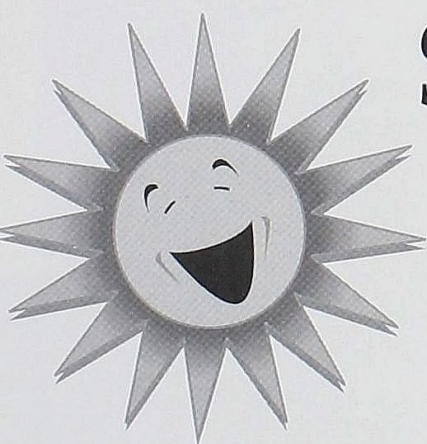
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SUN made an appearance at this year's Science Blowout. They informed students of the importance of recycling and helped them turn glass bottles into decoupaged vases.

Students United for Nature

Making the world a better place to live



SUN met in the basement of Bruske to discuss the plans for each project that partook in throughout the year.

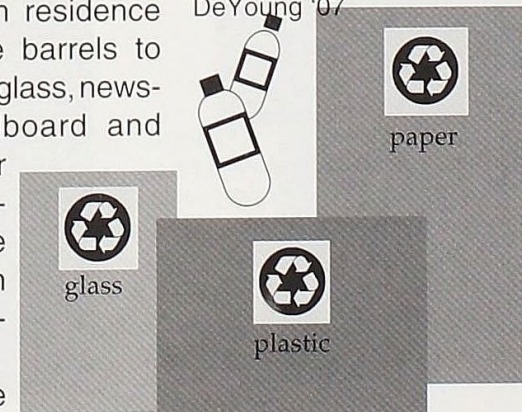


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Having dedicated themselves to the betterment of our environment, Students United for Nature (SUN) spent the year working on programs that would keep the earth clean and save natural resources. Making a difference in your own hometown in the first step to making a difference in the world, so this year's members helped to clean up the Pine River. They also

helped to keep the college campus free of litter. The club's biggest task for the year was initiating a recycling program. They provided each residence hall with blue barrels to collect plastic, glass, newspapers, cardboard and other paper that would otherwise have ended up in another landfill. Sophomore

Susan Dalgarn is a big advocate of recycling and says she really hopes that future members will keep the program going. ~Sarah DeYoung '07



Education Club

Be proud, for you are an educator of the future generation

“Teachers are the people that light the fire in students to make them want to learn.” Samantha Allarding '06 has always had it in her heart to be a teacher and so have most of the other students in the Alma College Education Club. While still in college they are spending their spare time working with children to gain experience that will help them after graduation as they embark upon their teaching career. Many of this year's activities included working with the neighborhood Head Start program, tutoring at local schools, reading stories in classrooms and volunteering with Big Brother/Big Sister. One of their biggest accomplishments of the year was the creation of the local honorary, Epsilon Sigma Epsilon.

~Sarah DeYoung '07



Upon creation of Epsilon Sigma Epsilon, seven students were inducted into the honorary and were recognized at this year's Honors Day. Congratulations to Michelle Merz '04, Cassie Culver '05, Eileen Cole '04, Julie Jeppesen '05, Lisa Rockafellow '05, Lynsay Masters '04, Joseph Whitman '05 and Andrea Privette '03 (not pictured).

Photo courtesy of Michelle Merz



Throughout the course of the year, the club spent a lot of time at the new Head Start building. They held meetings and sponsored a Halloween party, read stories to the children and even donated a Lego Table at the end of the year to show their appreciation and support of this community program. Pictured below are members of the club preparing games and prizes for their Halloween celebration.

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This year, one of the club's service projects included making a quilt for Linus Project. This alphabet patterned blanket was donated to the project, which helps find foster families for children in troubled homes.

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Otaku and Gamers

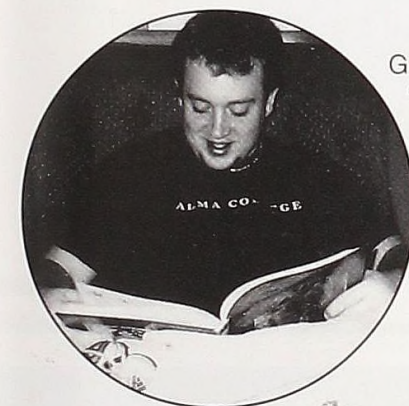


Jen Bussell '05, Nate Harris '06, Colin Ryan '05, Kei McGlocklin '06, and Jay Laske '06 enjoy a trip to the Renaissance festival in full costume.

What happens when friends get together with one common interest and a desire to introduce others to their favorite pastime? A club is formed, and that is exactly how ACOG began. Within two weeks after preterm, a group of students, consisting of Jen Bussell '05, Ian Jarrard '06, Colin Ryan '05, Oscar DeLong '06, Nate Harris '06 and Jay Laske '06, formed a constitution welcoming any students interested in gaming and watching Japanese animation.

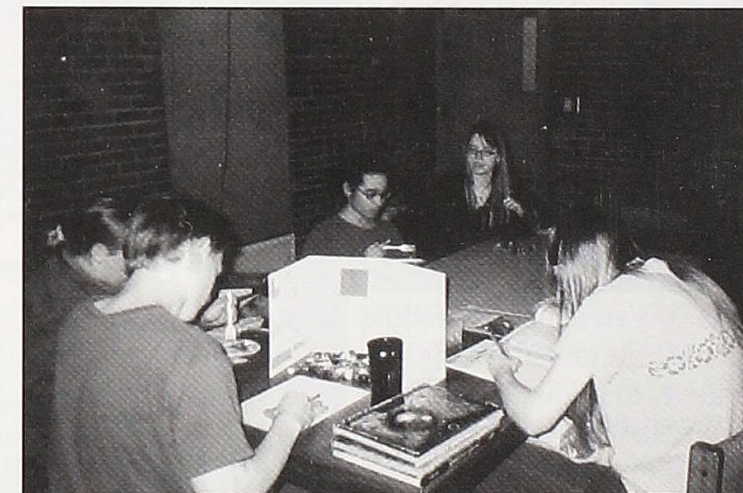
ACOG did not limit their activities to members only; there was many a Friday night in which Anime could be viewed in various places and every gamer is always willing to tell anyone about their latest game. ACOG even made it off campus in their first year of operation. In cooperation with the Mt. Pleasant Gaming Association, Mini Con was held at CMU inviting gamers to come and game, watch anime and buy and swap books, dice and tips.

~Sarah DeYoung '07



George Champion '06 spends some free time reading one of his favorite gaming books.

Chibi logo drawn by artist Holly Schafer '06.



Jenny Sherwood '06, Leana Wanner '06, Jen Bussell '05, and Lissa Snowdon '05 battle as Ian Jarrard '06 lays out the scenario of his game.



A typical gaming backpack complete with pencils, books, dice and markers.

Jay Laske '06 and Kei McGlocklin '06 spend hard-earned points for their character as they "level up."



Highland Dancers

A Scottish school wouldn't be complete without the Scottish art of Highland Dancing. Many talented young men and women come from across the country to be a part of the dancing program available in the city of Alma. This year, Alma College was proud to have three national championship qualifiers in the student body. These three individuals are Kira Cogswell '03, Stephenie Goodell '03 and Cailin Wilson '06. These ladies, in addition to three other students, performed at Homecoming, Burns' Day and at various competitions throughout the year.

~Sarah DeYoung '07



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Bree Brownlee '04, Kira Cogswell '03, Stephenie Goodell '03 and Sara Ramirez '04 perform during halftime at the AC Homecoming game.

Jazz Band

Under the direction of Donald Metcalf, students had the opportunity to be a part of a jazz ensemble that performed at the end of each term. In addition, the jazz band played a smaller concert before the awards ceremony at Jazzfest. This event was hosted by Alma College and was organized and run by the members of the jazz band and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia. For one day, Heritage Center was bustling with activity as 15 high school bands performed for one another. There was no pressure, for it wasn't a competition, they merely received comments and specialty awards.

~Sarah DeYoung '07



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Matt Stonebeck '03 performs a solo on his sax during the fall concert.

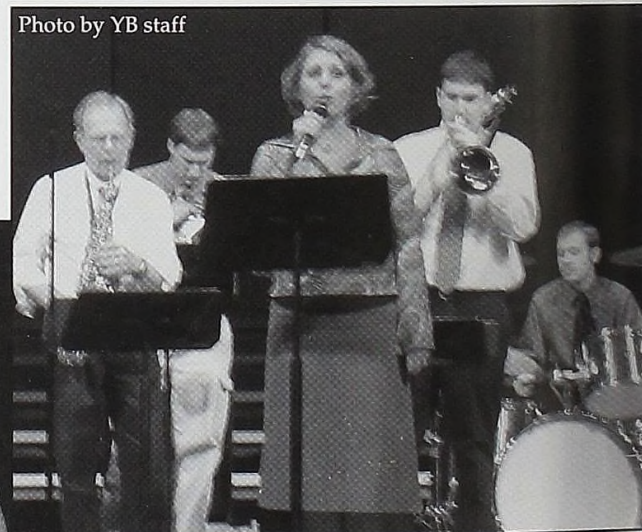


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Erin Gildersleeve '03, a guest from the Choir, performs with the Jazz Band at their winter concert. Mr. Metcalf also pulls out his saxophone and plays along as part of the ensemble.

Kiltie Pipers

To some, the sounds of bagpipes can be very soothing, others try to find ways of ignoring it. No matter what your view is of this Celtic instrument, if you are on the Alma campus the sound shouldn't be a surprise to your ears. Many bagpipers come to this school, some even on full-ride scholarships because, like Highland Dancing, bagpipes are a Scottish tradition. They perform during Homecoming, at the Burns' dinner and at various other times and places on the Alma campus. Pipers this year included Jeremy Hix '06, Malcom Cox '04 and Robyn Paige '04.

~Sarah DeYoung '07



Robyn Paige '04 performs with the marching band during the pregame show.



Photo by Skip Traynor

Percussion Ensembles

Zerbe conducts the Alma Percussion Ensemble in their Spring concert.



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Jake Finkbeiner '06 and Toni Myers '04, members of both HIP and the Alma Percussion Ensemble.

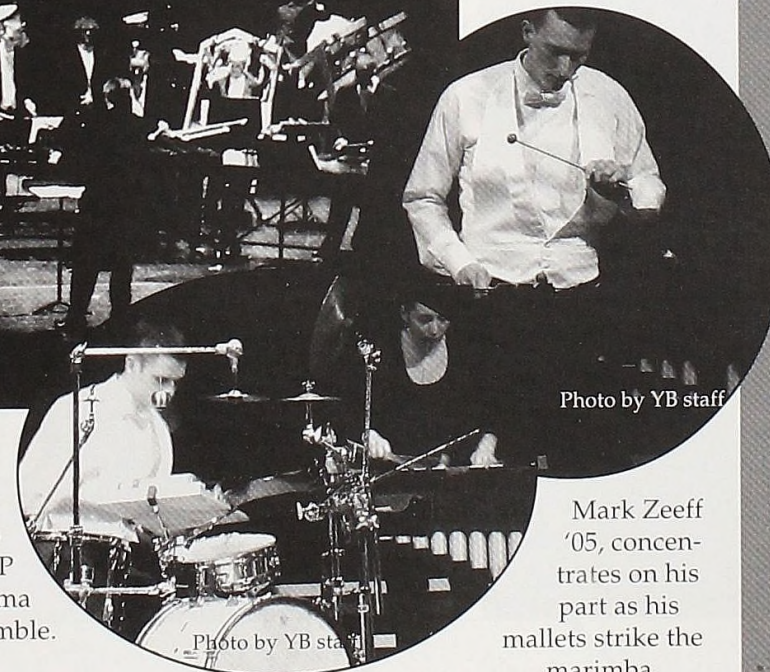
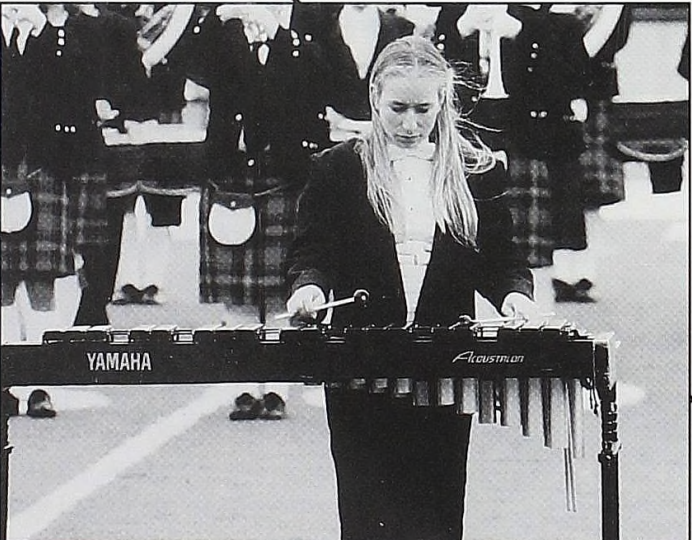


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Mark Zeeff '05, concentrates on his part as his mallets strike the marimba.

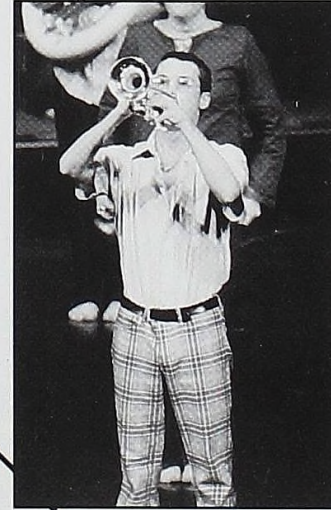
Alma College is known throughout Michigan for having an outstanding percussion program. Director Dave Zerbe leads his students in performing challenging music encompassing a wide range of genres from classical to steel drum to jazz, travelling across the Midwest in addition to performing at the Heritage Center each Spring. Each Summer, a camp is held on the AC campus and numerous high school percussionists come and play. The camp is cohosted by the AC Percussion Ensemble and the Hohner Institute of Percussion which is comprised of students from both Alma and CMU.

~Sarah DeYoung '07



The instrumentalists in the Kiltie Band had a very busy fall term. Their year started a week before Labor Day and each day of band camp was spent out in the hot summer sun. In addition to evening rehearsals every day of the week throughout the term, many weekends were spent out on the football field, cheering on the team and performing at halftime. Those were long days beginning at 8:00 am. The band also performed an altered rendition of their halftime show at

their annual Indoor Show. The sounds of woodwinds, percussion and brass filled the Heritage Center, and the Kiltie Guard was interspersed amongst the band members, bringing color to the stage. Director, Dave Zerbe, and a committee of students organized and ran their first annual High School Marching Band Invitational where many HS bands came out to Alma College and displayed their talent. The band also traveled. They performed at a Veteran's Day cel-



Kiltie Band

bration at Fulton School, and at the end of their season, they traveled with the football team to round one of the NCAA Division III playoffs. Upon return to campus after Christmas break, members of the band brought out their concert instruments and began rehearsals as the Kiltie Wind Ensemble. Still under the direction of Zerbe, these students performed at the Honors convocations and Graduation ceremonies. They also pre-



presented their annual Spring concert which included a performance of the song entitled "Africa" complete with the sounds of wild beasts. This year was the kick off of the Band's uniform fundraiser. They hope that some day in the near future the entire ensemble will be fitted and dressed in the Alma College tartan complete with all the Scottish accessories.

~Sarah DeYoung '07

All Kiltie Band photos by Sara Satterly and Matt Baleja





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Alma Symphony Orchestra

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This year the Symphony Orchestra faced much transition; the ASO's director, Mr. Douglas Scripps retired, and Dr. Will Nichols stepped up to the podium and led the ensemble throughout the rest of the year. Mr. Jason Economides joined the AC staff as the ASO concertmaster, which helped to keep the ensemble intact during their transition. Highlights of the year included performing with the ACDC in "Nutcracker," accompanying the Choirs in "Festival of Carols," and finishing off the year with a choral and instrumental performance of Handel's "Creation."

~Sarah DeYoung '07



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Alma College Choir



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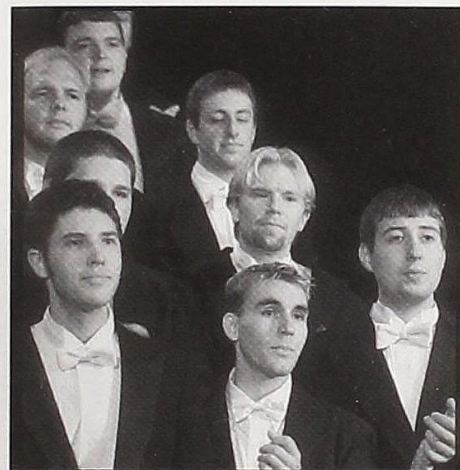


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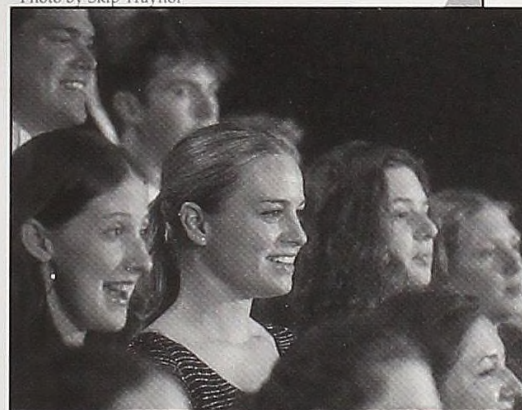


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"Being a part of the Choir is an absolute buttload of work, but it is so much fun and absolutely worth it." Tim Slade '04 never regrets having auditioned for the Alma choral program his sophomore year. "It is one of the most rewarding things I've ever been a part of." Emily Sutherland '04 agrees with Slade and adds, "There is definitely a sense of camaraderie within the group. We spend as much together as an athletic team and work toward something we all enjoy."

This year Alma's top choral ensemble went on many weekend excursions to sing at churches across the Midwest, and in addition to these small trips and performances at AC, they ventured on the trip of "Death and Destruction" across the eastern side of the US. They encountered a flood in Charleston, WV, a tropical storm in Upper Banks, NC and a restaurant they visited in Richmond, VA caught on fire just as they were leaving. Despite all the travesties, they continued to sing with high spirits. According to Justin Rose '06 the best part of the trip was singing "Even Song" in Washington, DC. The AC Choir has been the only college choir to ever sing in the National Cathedral. "I was a freshman who joined the choir at winter term and being able to tour where we did shows the quality of our program and made me feel privileged to be part of such an amazing group."

~Sarah DeYoung '07



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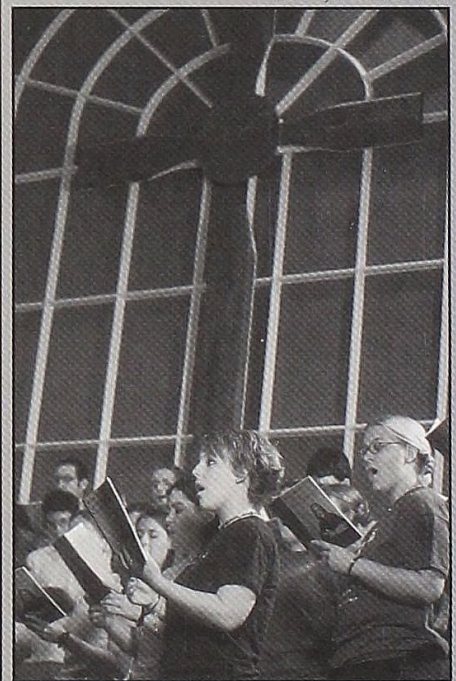


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Alma College Chorale

Women's Glee Club

Before most students sing in the Choir, they usually spend at least a year in Chorale, practicing sight reading skills and working on tone, making themselves better vocalists. This year's Chorale sang songs from both the US and around the world. These musicians had the opportunity to take these songs and perform them not just at Alma College, but also at churches and concert halls across the state. In addition to these special concerts, the Chorale joined the other two choirs in December's "Festival of Carols," and at the end of Winter term in the "Masterworks Finale," singing Hyden's "Creation," with the accompaniment of the symphony orchestra.

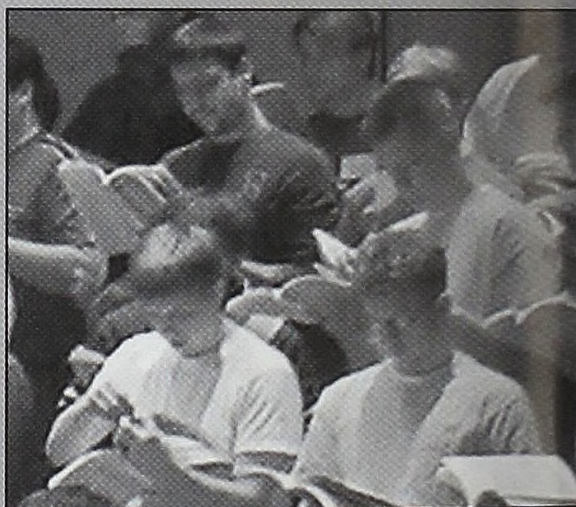
~Sarah DeYoung '07



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The Chorale performs with the other choirs and orchestra during the "Festival of Carols."

Shawn Grutsch '06 and Paul Woolcock '05 study the lyrics during rehearsal.



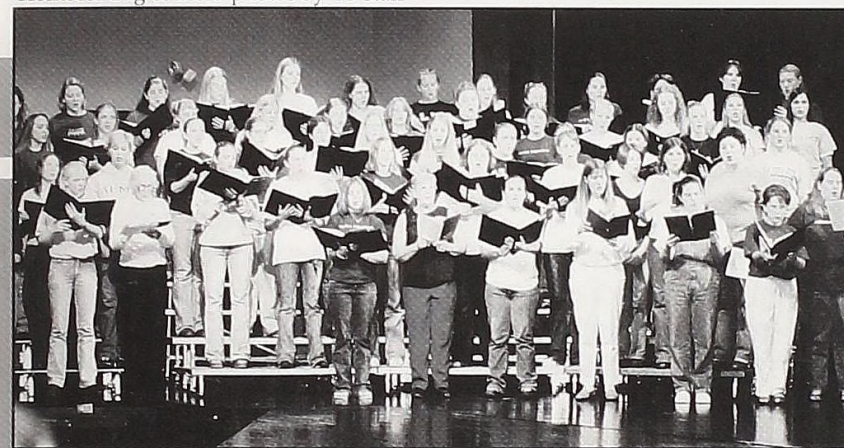
Jenny Simms '06 sings with members of the Choir and Glee during a rehearsal of "Creation."



Sam Capasso '06 and Tim Ricci '05



Homecoming concert photos by YB staff



The ladies of Glee sing with alumni at the Homecoming concert.

This is the ensemble where all female vocalists at Alma College get their start. It is for this reason that many times throughout the year prospective students were invited to join in on a rehearsal. Of the 50 or more members, the majority are freshmen, but that doesn't stop women from singing in the ensemble after they've moved up. Some continue to sing while in other ensembles, others only come back and join the women of Glee during the Homecoming concert. It is then that alumni of the ensemble, either college seniors or senior citizens, are invited to come back up on stage and enjoy some old favorites.

~Sarah DeYoung '07



Allison McLachlan '06, Cassie Metzler '06 and Kim Graor '06 are all pleased after their first performance with Glee.

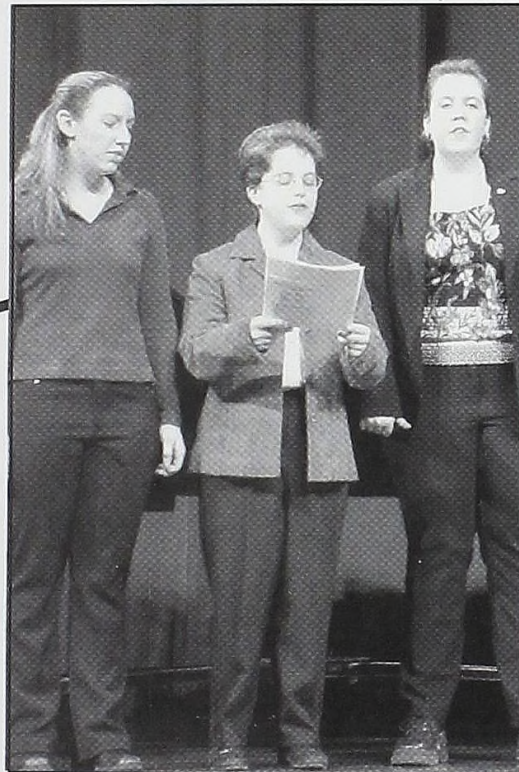


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Sigma Alpha

Iota

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Anna Brostrom '05, Rebekah Wrathman-Wingrove '03 and Melissa Riser '04 sing together at PMA's American Music Concert.

The sisters of SAI encompass all areas of music at Alma College, and they all are very supportive of one another as is visible after the Kiltie Band's indoor show (below).



Photo courtesy of Melissa Riser

Current members and Dr. Mrs. Beagley welcome the new pledges.

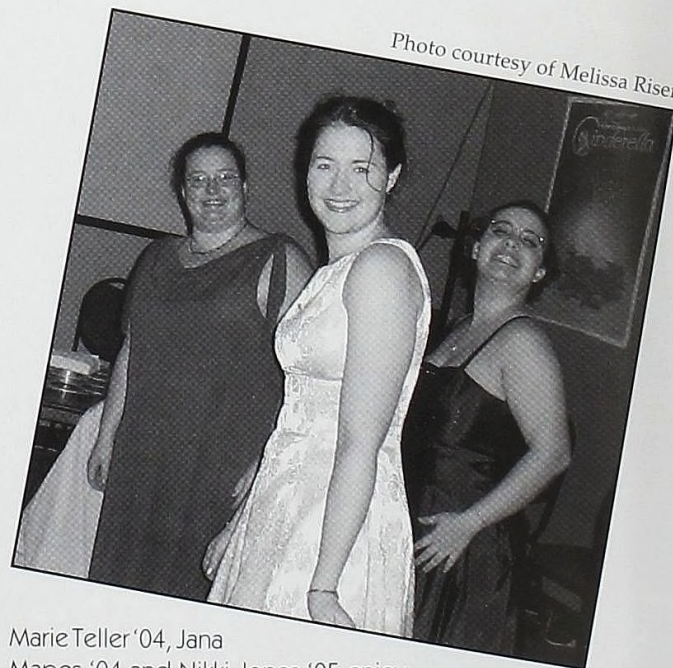


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This group of musical ladies was very busy this year. They put on a Christmas Concert and also had fun participating in Songfest singing "My Boyfriend's Back." The ladies of SAI went on a winter retreat and had a formal in April, both in which they strengthened their bonds of sisterhood. As outreach, they helped PMA with Jazzfest and earned money that they gave to the national fraternity's philanthropies. Closer to home they gave money to the Women's Aid Shelter and the Public School's music programs. This year they welcomed 10 new sisters to their family. These ladies were Renee Bourgeois '04, Melissa Riser '04, Dena Sanders '05, Abbey Putnam '06, Jenny Simms '06, Ingrid Fichtenberg '06, Corrie Lucier '06, Kacie Schaeffer '05 and Anna Brostrom '05.

~Sarah DeYoung '07

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Marie Teller '04, Jana Mapes '04 and Nikki Jones '05 enjoy an evening of elegance at SAI's year-end formal in Jones Auditorium.

The boys welcome their new brothers in the basement of Bruske.

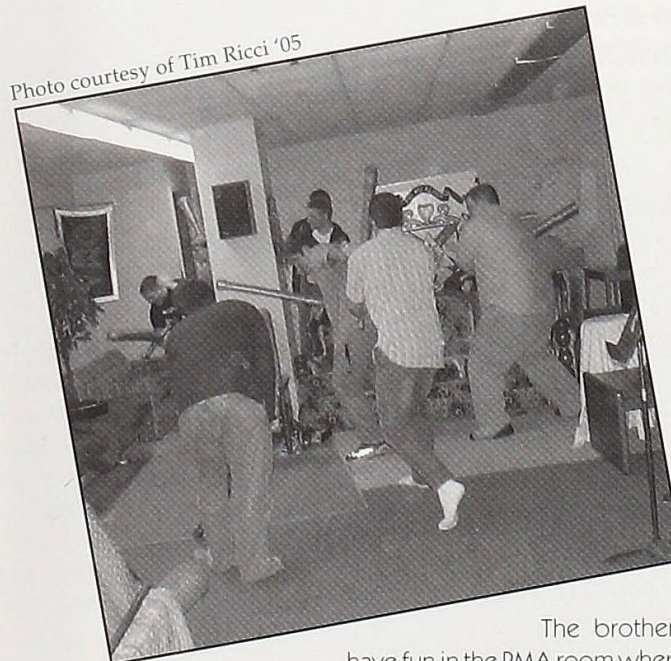


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A group of men bonded by the love for music would be a simple way of defining PMA. They are dedicated to spreading music throughout the community and having fun whenever possible. This year they hosted "Fall Brawl," the Province Council meeting and weekend retreat for PMA chapters across Michigan. During winter term they performed an American Music Concert and earned money for philanthropies. As a fundraiser they organized and ran Jazzfest, a day when high school jazz ensembles come and play for each other, with no pressure, just for fun. This year the number of brothers more than doubled when welcoming Matt Bryan '05, Dan Martin '06, Conrad Reed '06, Sam Capasso '06, Brandon Fry '06, Wilson Nichols '06, Sean Galloway '06 and Thomas Mate '05.

~Sarah DeYoung '07

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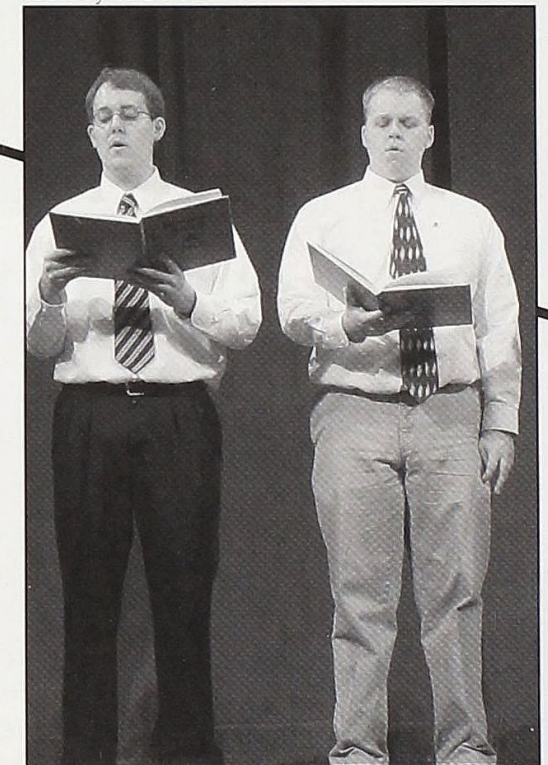


The brothers have fun in the PMA room where they held meetings, movie nights, and the occasional boff fight. (A boff is a sword made of PVC piping, foam and ducttape)

Phi Mu Alpha

Sinfonia

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Bill Sawin '05 and Dan Rito '05 sing as part of the American Music Concert.

Brothers from across Michigan enjoy a BBQ and brother bonding activities on the Bruske lawn during "Fall Brawl."



Photo courtesy of Tim Ricci '05

During this year's winter break, twenty Alma students and staff packed vans and drove down to Florida where they worked with Habitat as part of the Collegiate Challenge project.

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Students learned the skills of roofing while working in Florida.

Habitat For Humanity

Alma students working to help provide affordable housing and end homelessness

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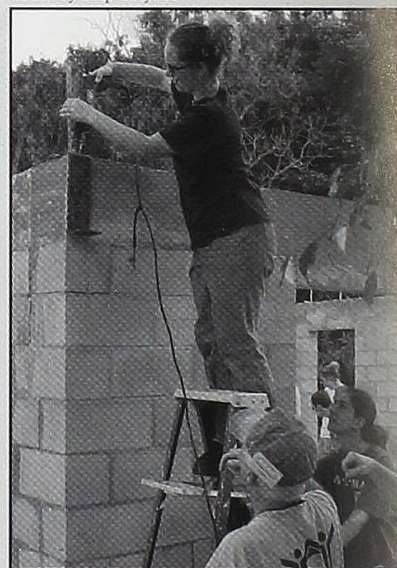


While students in Michigan were freezing at the end of February, their peers in Florida were pushing up their sleeves and working hard to build houses in the Southern sun.

Another home was completed in the Alma community thanks to the help of students at Alma College. They spent their time building and raising money to provide shelter for a family in need. In addition to working on a home in Alma, some students had the opportunity to travel and help build a house for the needy in Florida. It was also a very exciting year for the Alma HFH members because the founder of HFH International came and visited the tiny AC campus. Students had the opportunity to hear how he gave up all he had to start an organization that would use business to help solve one of the world's deep needs.

-Sarah DeYoung '07

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Kim Graor '06 said she really enjoyed being able to work in Florida, feeling as if she was making a difference in the lives of those who are less fortunate. Graor hopes to be able to plan another HFH trip for next year.



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These ladies took turns hammering house boards in Florida while being supervised by Habitat for Humanity staff.



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Alma students had the opportunity to lock up both friend and foe in the TKE house for an afternoon. Bail was paid in donations to Habitat.

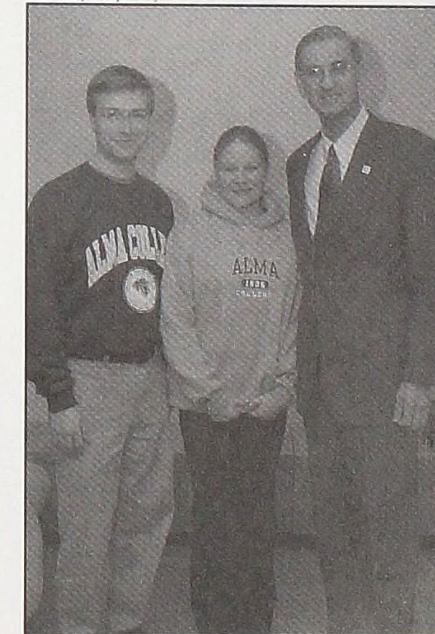


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The club set up a booth in the lobby of Heritage before and after Mr. Fuller's presentation so they could talk to visitors about the Alma College chapter of HFH and take donations to help with their projects.

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This year's Discovering Vocations speaker series started out with a visit from Habitat Founder, Millard Fuller. Grant Kinney '04, worship leader, and Billie Radke '05, Alma Habitat president, felt very privileged to have been able to speak with him before his presentation.

Jenn Hoornstra '04 was very happy to have been able to meet Mr. Fuller. He signed copies of his book after completing his presentation about his life and how Habitat for Humanity International was started.

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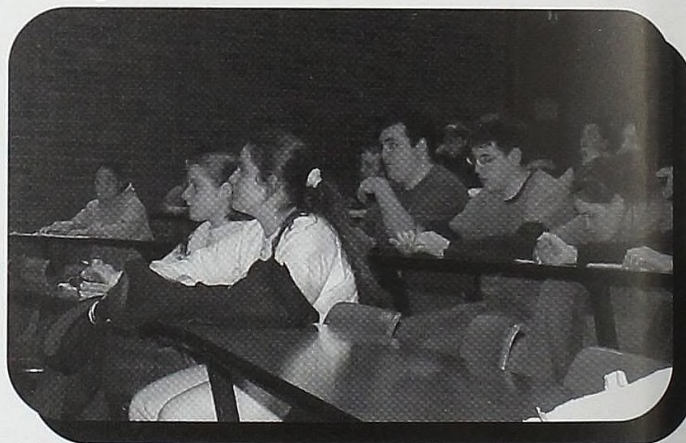
Student Congress



Tim Throm '04 addresses the student congress body

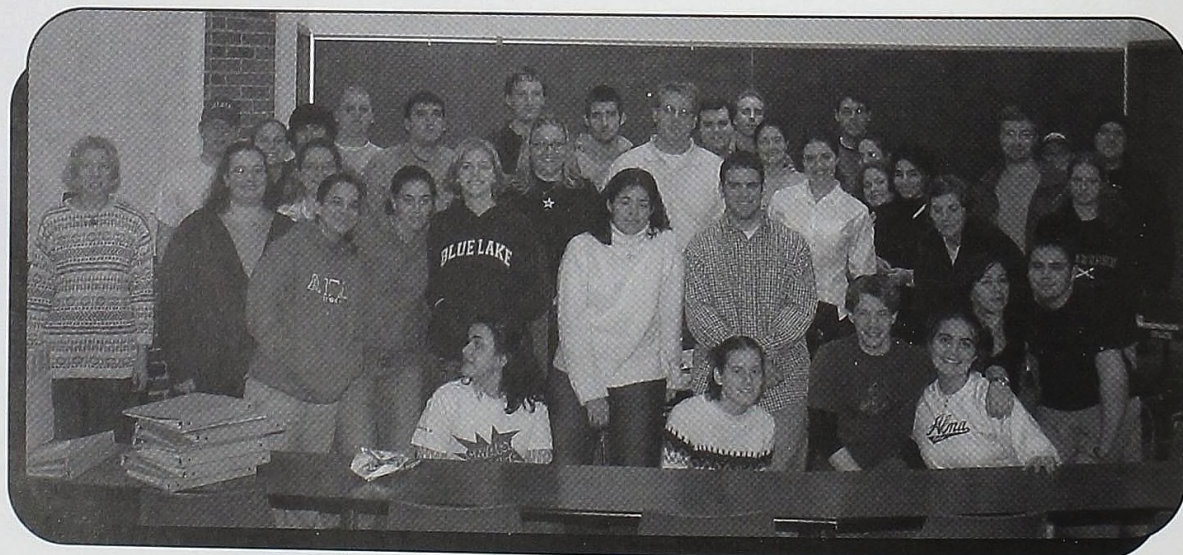
Robyn Paige '04 talks at a student congress meeting. Robyn was the President of student congress.

The student congress could be aptly described as representing every Alma College student. It encompasses representatives from every organization from Greek chapters to gaming clubs. Each class also has a representative. One goal this year was to improve accountability of the organizations within student congress by keeping accurate records of voting and non-voting members. Weekly meetings consisted of voting for officers, discussing the increase of the student activity fee, and allowing new organizations into the congress.



Andrea Miller '06 and Julie Bolitho '06 sit amongst other students at a SC meeting.

Representatives from each organization on campus gather in the front of SAC113 where the weekly Student Congress meetings are held.



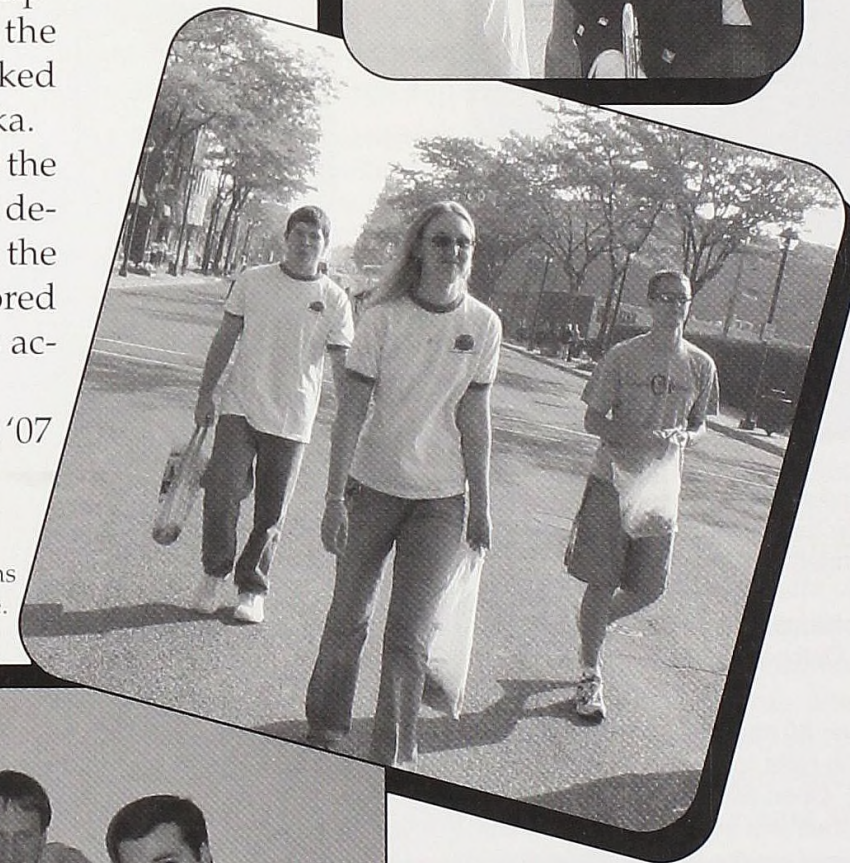
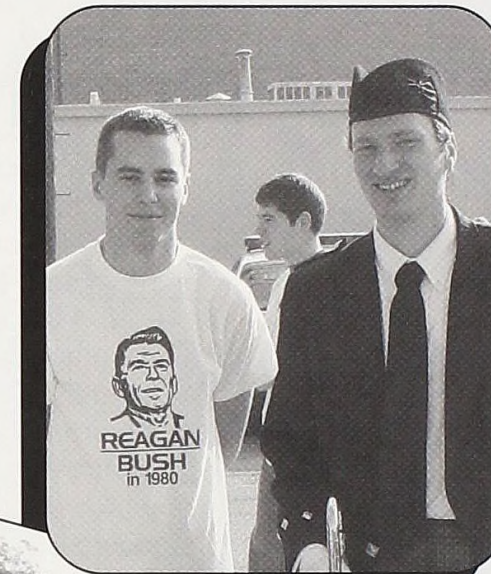
Elephants Rock! (It's a Republican thing)

Alma College Republicans

This group of students always knows who they are going to vote for. The AC Republicans spent the year dedicating themselves to helping their favorite party. In the Homecoming parade, they walked with State Senator Mike Goshka. These students also helped out the campus as a whole. They held debates about the current war in the Middle East and also sponsored numerous Political Awareness activities.

~Sarah DeYoung '07

Loyal Republicans walk and pass out buttons and stickers during the Homecoming parade.



The officers proudly display the banner.

Eric Sanborn '06 - Secretary

Dillon Burns '04 - Treasurer

Matt Helmus '05 - Vice President

Kyle Wellfare '05 - President

Lee Owens '03 - Distinguished Guest

Not pictured:
Lori Hawkins '04 - Secretary

Residence Hall Association

Making
Campus Life
Fun

Hall Councils were disbanded this year when Student Congress voted to allow RHA to oversee everything concerning Residence Halls. In their first full year of operation, RHA planned six events in the Hole, held a blood drive, and even hosted the April business meeting for the Michigan Organization of Residence Hall Associations (MORHA), the group that helped get Alma's RHA up and running. At the MORHA conference this year, our school earned six awards including *Most Improved RHA*, *Advisor of the Year*, *Most Spirited*, and *#2 Program*. They also won the Penny Wars competition, earning money for Make-A-Wish. Two 1st year delegates also took home the award for best K-study in which they were given an issue and had to develop a solution for how to deal with it on the Alma campus. Closer to home, RHA won Student Congress's award of Excellence for having done the most this year to benefit the campus.

~Sarah DeYoung '07

Amanda Leppek '06 and Lexis Boothby-Shoemaker '06 celebrate after being given the K-study award at the MORHA conference in March.



Photo courtesy of Lexis Boothby-Shoemaker

Angie Touchette '04 and another girl set up for a Halloween dinner that was part of MORHA's philanthropy at the October business meeting.

Over 80 students fill the Hole for RHA's Open-Mic night, their first event of the year.

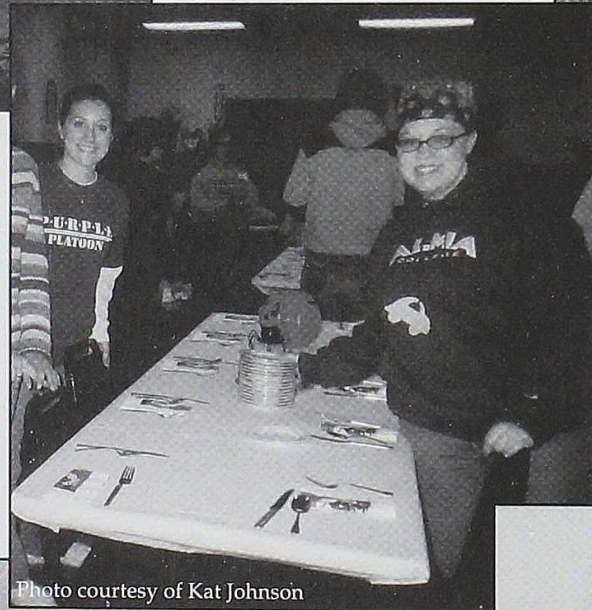


Photo courtesy of Kat Johnson



At the final RHA meeting of the year the 2003-2004 Executive Council is introduced. Jenny Jacobson-Advisor, Sherri Vanden Bos '05 -2004 Secretary, Lexis Boothby-Shoemaker '06-2004 VP, Amanda Leppek '06 -2004 President, Beth Bouvy '04-2003 Treasurer.



Photo courtesy of Kat Johnson

MORHA's October business meeting was held at Michigan Tech. Those ladies that ventured up north to attend were Angie Touchette '04 - Secretary, Maura Baker '05-Vice President, Jenny Jacobson-Advisor and Kat Johnson '04-President.



Photo courtesy of Kat Johnson

AΦΩ Alpha Phi Omega

Members of Alma's APhiO and their sponsor chapter from CMU pose with their certificate of recognition in the chapel. Those pictured are Dr. Timm Thorsen, Andrew McCracken '05, Jason Fox '04, Kelly Ross '05, Julie Frick '04, Dan Rito '05, Kristin Oleszkowicz '05, Renee Bourgeois '04, Provost Avery, Bethany Payton '05 and Kim Graor '06.



On October 12, 2002 the service fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega, was reestablished and recognized at Alma College. After this official rechartering, the students involved worked hard throughout the rest of the year, dedicating their time to help those in the community. They ran and organized a canned-food drive, sorted GS cookies for Gratiot County, helped children earn scouting badges, participated in Bowl for Kids Sake with Big Brother/Big Sister, hosted a Spring Easter Egg Hunt, spent hours serving at Community Cafe, assisted in making an AIDS quilt at CMU, did Random Acts of Kindness and put on bright orange vests to go out and clean a section of the Highway. Alma students also had contact with other APhiO chapters across the country at numerous conferences. ~Sarah DeYoung '07

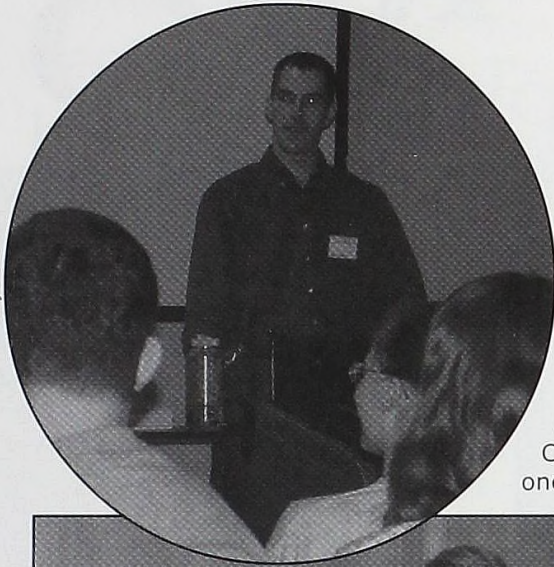


These ladies attended a leadership and service conference at University of Detroit Mercy. Billie Radke '05, Bethany Payton '05, Marilee Brooks '04, Renee Bourgeois '04, Amanda Fritz '05 and Julie Frick '04 pose during a banquet at the conference (above). Radke, Fritz and Frick listen to a presentation about leadership (right).



Trinity Bible Fellowship

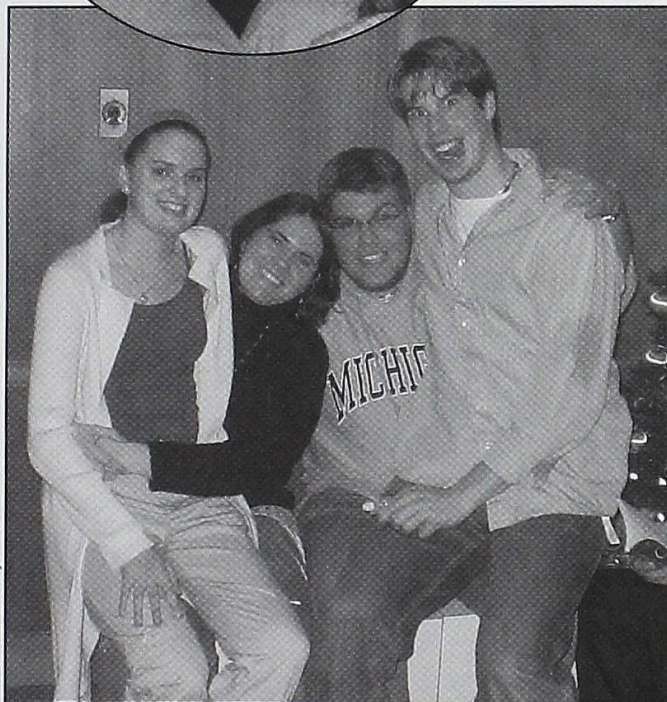
Photo by YB staff



Friendship, Fellowship, Singers, Speakers, Games, Bible Study. How are all of these things connected? They are all aspects of Trinity Bible Fellowship. This organization meets weekly providing a contemporary worship service to break up the stress that builds up during a normal week. Members also have the opportunity to be a part of a small group that meets at a different time during the week where they can come and talk about the Bible and their lives and grow closer to the Lord and others who share their same beliefs. ~Sarah DeYoung '07

A guest from Trinity Bible Church gives a message during one of TBF's weeknight services.

Photo courtesy of Jon Silver



Joan Stewart '05, Elizabeth Shaffer '05, Jon Silver '06 and Ryan Shephard '06 share a big group hug at the TBF holiday party.

TBF provides an atmosphere where anyone can come and feel comfortable just being themselves. Lee Owens '03 even feels comfortable enough to plaster himself with "Hello, my name is..." stickers and provide everyone with a good laugh. Those goofing off with Owens in the picture at right include (cc L-R) Rachel Dyke '05, Elizabeth Shaffer '05, Ryan Shephard '06, Jason Duika '05, Paulena Thompson '04 and Jon Silver '06.



Photo courtesy of Jon Silver

CATHOLIC STUDENT ORGANIZATION

This student-run organization welcomes anyone who wants a place to come and share their faith. CSO has weekly meetings and small group Bible studies. This year in their small groups they discussed the book called *Real Love* by Mary Beth Bernacci. They also participated in events that helped out the community and even brought a speaker to the Alma College campus. Dr. Janet Smith came as a representative of the Catholic Church and she shared their views on homosexuality, chastity and contraception. ~Sarah DeYoung '07

Photo courtesy of Katie Stieber

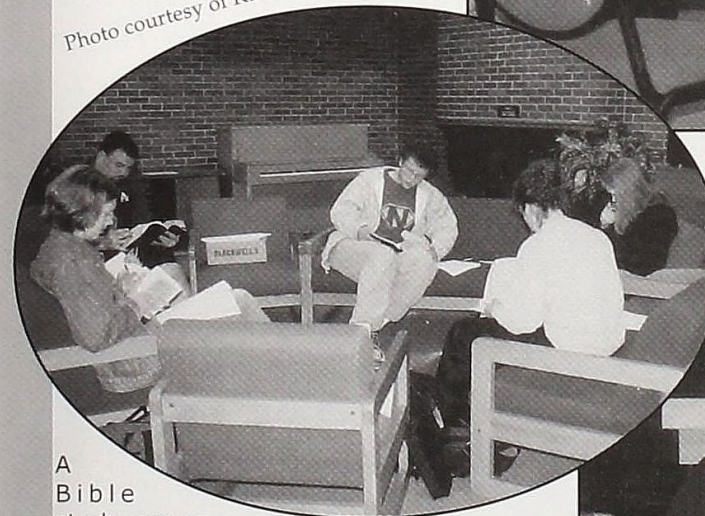


Nicole Stachura '06, and others, incorporate praise and worship into a CSO meeting.

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A Bible study group meets in the Mitchell Lobby to talk about that week's chapter from *Real Love*.

A group of girls enjoys snacking as they discuss a Bible passage in Fireside.

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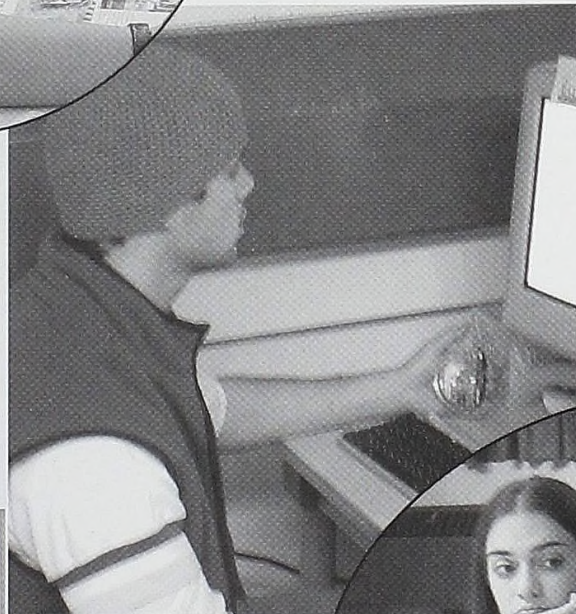
A booth is set up at a visitation day to inform incoming Freshmen of what CSO is and what they do. Those running the booth are (cw from top) John Gardai '03 and Katie Stieber '06, Valerie Lienhart '06, Pam McCarthy '06 and Anne Westerman '06.



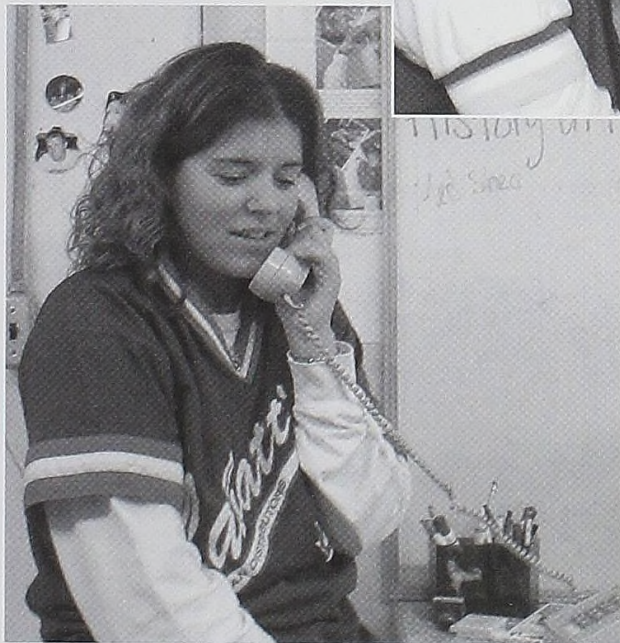
Where Memories are Put Together



Beth Horgan '04 looks at old yearbooks to get an idea of how she wants to format the advertisement section of this year's book.



Jared Evans '03 uses PageMaker to help design the layout of his page.



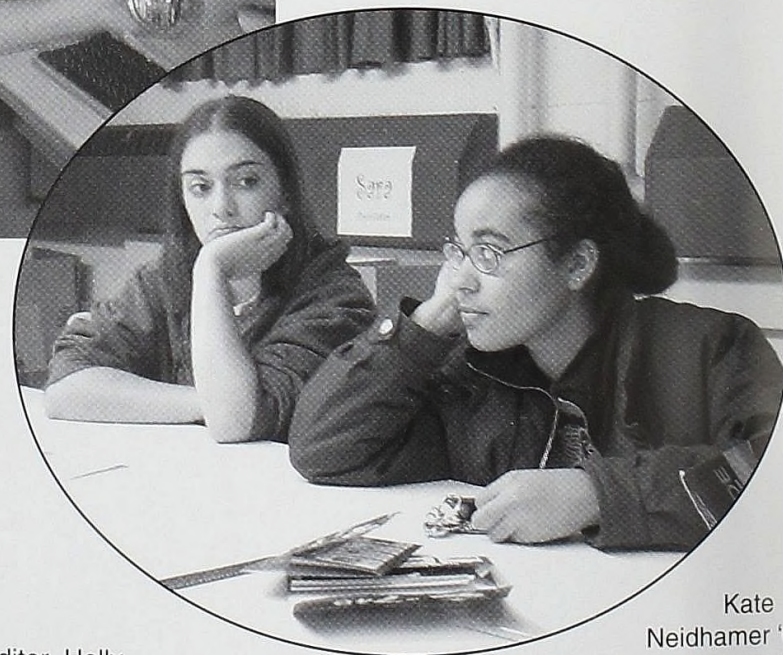
Editor, Holly Honigfort '03, makes a phone call to Jostens to discuss plant deadlines.

Every Year The Scot staff provides a way to remember special moments in the lives of Alma College students. Most of the staff is new and learning the equipment, but everyone is looking forward to a fresh start and a new year. Meredith Henry '03 states "I enjoy coming up with ideas that people will enjoy reading in their yearbook."

The staff covers different aspects of student life, such as sports, organizations, Greeks, activities that happen on campus, and academics. They also bring forth the much loved PIG book (Personal Identification Guide).

Photographers and editors work hard to bring together a creative and collective book that will help everyone reminisce about their college years.

~Andrea Collard '06 and Sarah DeYoung '07



Kate Neidhamer '06 and Leana Wanner '06 listen intently at the weekly staff meeting.



The Scot Staff

Back Row: Meredith Henry '03, Danielle Calhoun '04, Beth Horgan '04, Kate Neidhamer '06, George Champion '06, Andrea Collard '06.
Front Row: Matthew Baleja '04, Holly Honingfort '03, Sara Monsere '04, Sara Satterly '04, Leana Wanner '06.
Not Pictured: Katherine Baleja '06, Laura Bell '06, Jared Evans '03, Rebecca Ross '04.



Meredith Henry '03 and Sara Monsere '04 discuss what they need to do this week so that they'll be able to meet their deadlines.

Due to extraneous circumstances, the 2002-2003 Scot staff was unfortunately not able to complete the yearbook in time. Because of this, the work that still remained was given to members of the 2003-2004 staff. Once they had completed the work for their own book, numerous hours were spent during breaks and Spring term so that the graduating seniors of 2003 might be able to receive a book to commemorate their final year at Alma College.

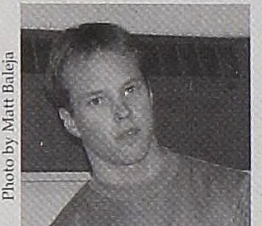
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Miriam Zinger '06



Cairn McNicholas '07



Nick Green '07



Sam Sugar '06



Becky Feuerstein '06



Laura Parkes-Shaw '07



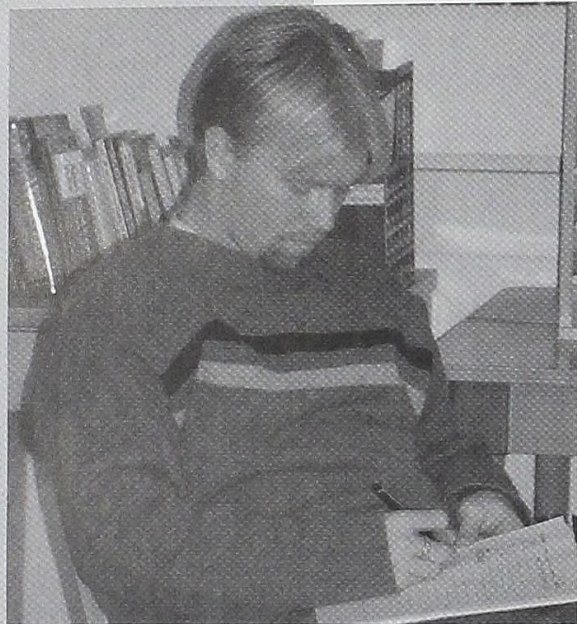
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Making Headlines

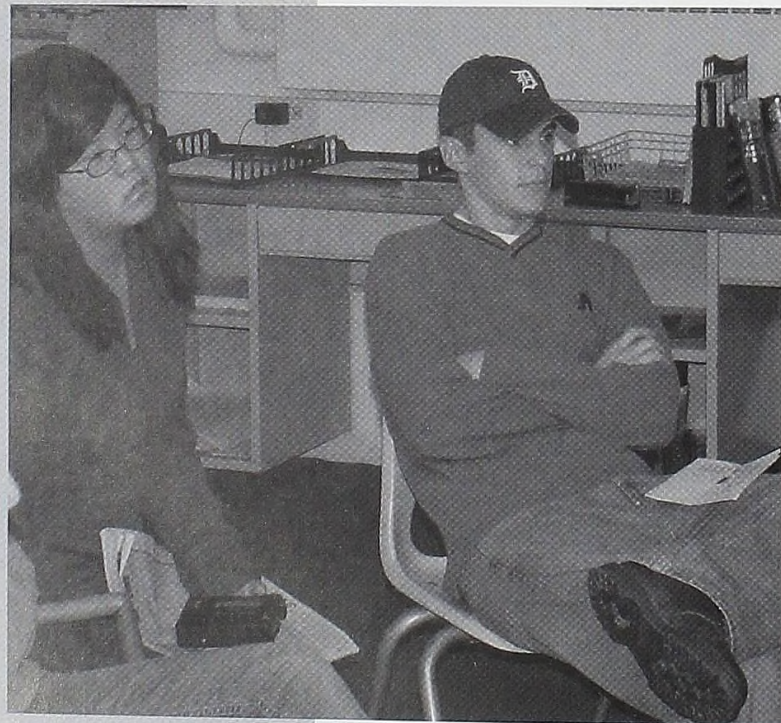
The Almanian

What makes this year's Almanian different than in the past? "Dr. Vivian stepped in as our advisor this year and he brought a lot of new energy and a different perspective," says staff writer Tim Slade '04. "I've seen the Almanian improving a bit over the years and it's fun seeing it turn itself around and become a real success." The Almanian became greatly understaffed the second half of the year, but those remaining pulled a lot of weight and all the work necessary to continue providing a publication that the students and staff enjoy reading every week.

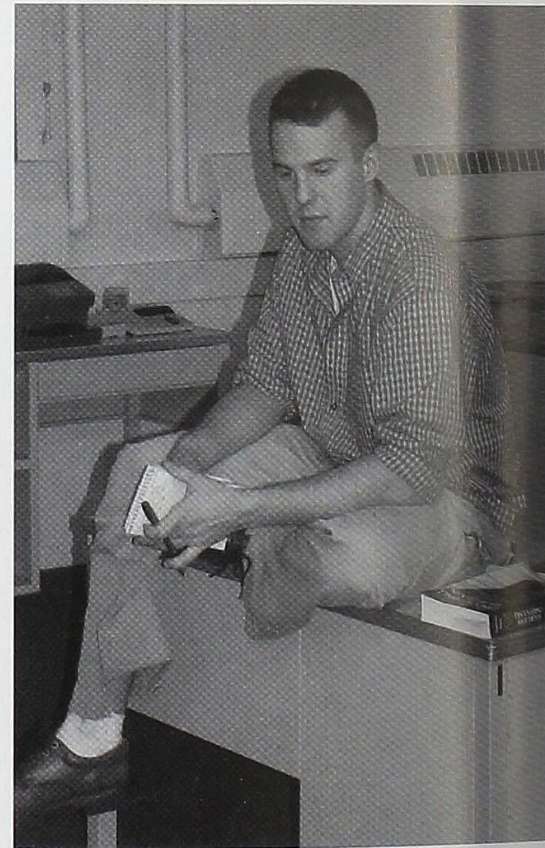
~Sarah DeYoung '07



Tim Slade '04 takes notes on what he needs to write about for this week's article

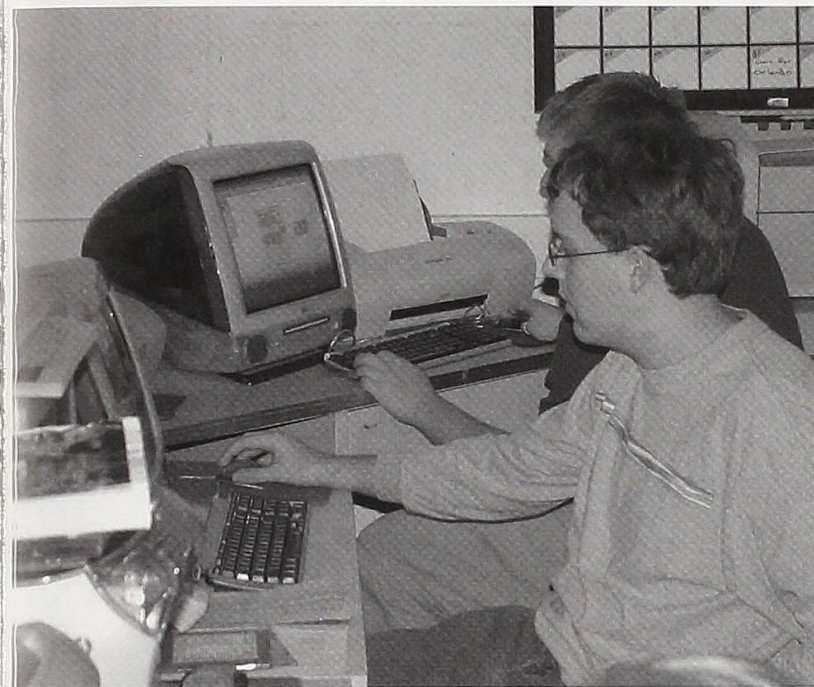


Kari Johnson '05 and Matt Helmus '05 pay careful attention to Guilford.

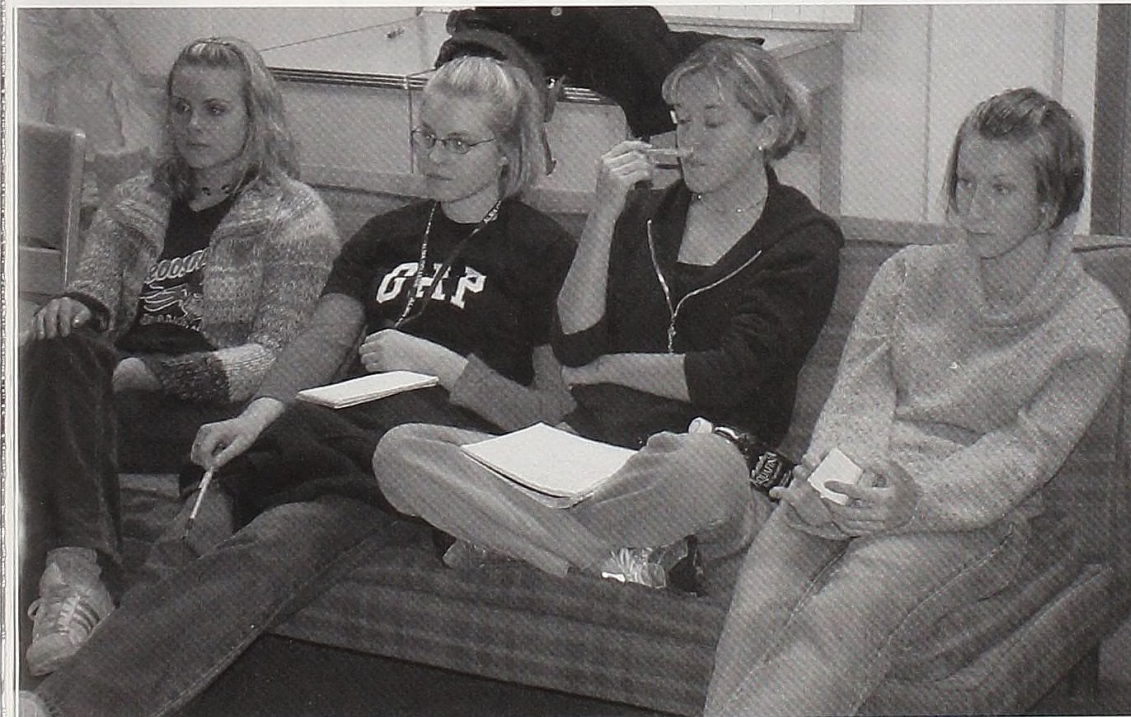


Editor Ryan Cannon '04 talks to the staff and informs them of the events that needs to be covered this week.

Bill Sawin '05 diligently works to complete his article for the week.



Olga Wrobel '04 looks over the shoulder of Jessica Diggs '05 as she helps her to edit the story she just finished writing.



Olga Wrobel '04, Jene Shaw '06, Wendy Wohlfeill '05 and Melanie Szewczyk '05 each stake a comfy position as they listen to what they need to do for this edition of the Almanian.

The Newspaper Crew

- Kari Johnson '05
- Krishna Larson '03
- Ashleigh McElrath '05
- Megan Van Wyk '04
- Brendan Guilford '05
- Tim Throm '04
- Bill Sawin '05
- Joel Render '05
- Ryan Cannon '04
- Olga Wrobel '04
- Jene Shaw '06
- Wendy Wohlfeill '05
- Matt Helmus '05
- Amanda Baushke '02
- Jessica Diggs '05
- Tim Slade '04
- Melanie Szewczyk '05

Model United Nations

Continuing the legacy of Model United Nations at Alma College all of the delegations had a strong performance at both competitions. 15 students participated in the Mid West Model United Nations Conference in St. Louis, Missouri. At this conference two out of the three delegation received the top honor. The entire class participated in the

National conference in New York City. At this conference both delegations represented by Alma College received the Outstanding delegation award which is the highest award. The students involved in this four credit class spend the weeks before the conferences doing extensive, in depth research, giving speeches to the class, and participating in the

dreaded office presentations. In the office presentations students are drilled in regards to their topics by Dr. Sandy Hulme. This process as well as the sacrifices, must be effective because the Alma College team is among the top in the country.

~Sarah DeYoung '07 and Becky Feuerstein '06

Junior Brandon DiGia spends time with some of the international students in New York. Alma students were able to work with people from countries such as Germany, Ghana, and the Ukraine.

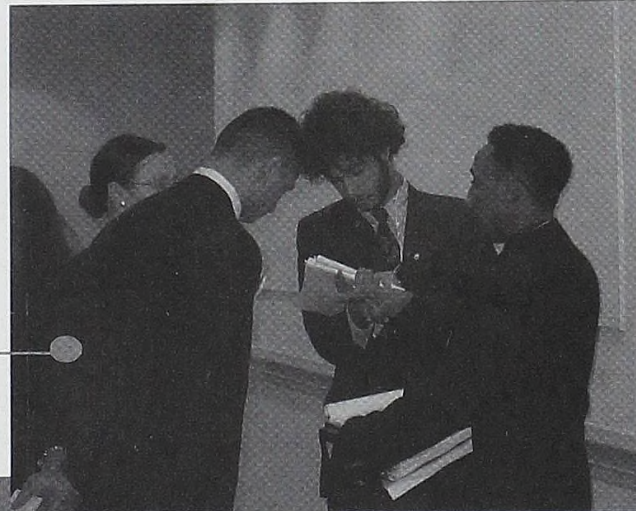
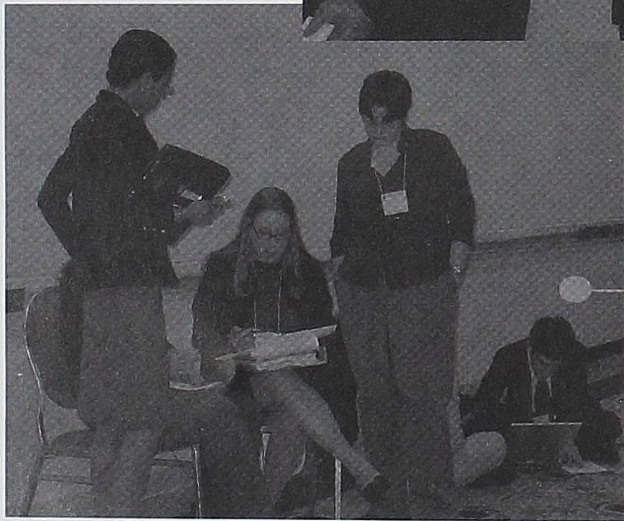


Photo courtesy of the communications department.



Junior Alexa Boyce works closely with delegates from schools across the United States at the National Conference in New York.

Photo courtesy of the communications department.

Students representing Brazil, Kenya and Singapore pose after the awards ceremony in St. Louis.

Photo courtesy of the communications department.



Celebrating double victory. The students smile for the camera after receiving outstanding delegation for both delegations represented. The students then ran the 20 blocks back to their hotel so that they did not miss the plane out of New York.

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Freshman Jennifer Bannister spends time revising resolutions and preparing for the next day after a full day in committee. The students will usually spend many hours after the regular committee time working on their topics.

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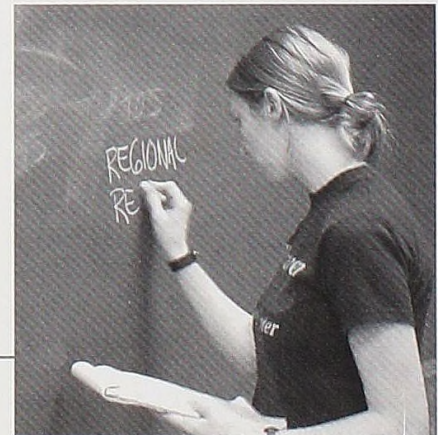


Juniors Colin McLaughlin and Luke Steinburg hold up the Outstanding Delegation Award received in the United Nations General Assembly.

Photo courtesy of the communications department.

Sophomore Kate Kohler helps with one of the teach-ins. Returning students will occasionally help in the class by explaining topics that the other students will need to know but not be familiar with.

Photo courtesy of the communications department.



WQAC

Alma's Home of Up and Coming Modern Rock

P-wah Langeni '03, Heather White '04, Tiffany Balducci '06 and Janet VanZoeren '06 enjoy some traditional black dishes. During second term BSU hosted a potluck that, according to P-wah, "allowed members and friends to experience 'soul food.'"

The potluck was also a time to just enjoy one another's company, as Tiffany Balducci '06, Kolorean Kershaw '05 and Erin Brantley '05 are demonstrating in the photo below.

These are the people who bring you the music you love to listen to on the radio. They are the ones who spend some of their free time cooped up in a little room, in order to make your day even better. DJs sing and chat away, providing you with entertainment. This group of AC students brought some of the coolest

concerts to campus this year. Bands came during preterm and Little Sibs weekend. One concert was even held downtown at the Strand Theatre. Sarah DeYoung '07

BSU

Black Student Union

An organization dedicated to creating a sense of community on the Alma College campus, these students want everyone to gain an understanding of African American culture.

In addition to club meetings this year, under the leadership of Kolorean Kershaw '05, Erin Brantley '05 and Danielle Calhoun '04, the group sponsored events such as movie nights, a potluck and a Hustle Night.

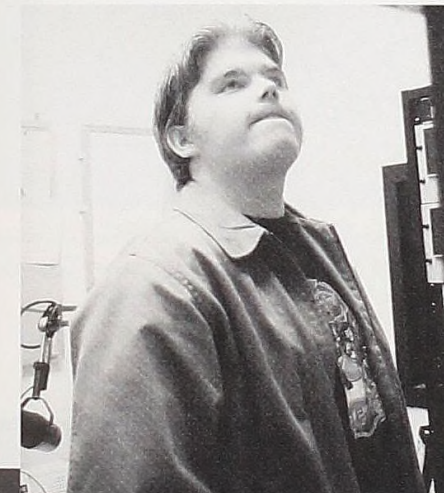
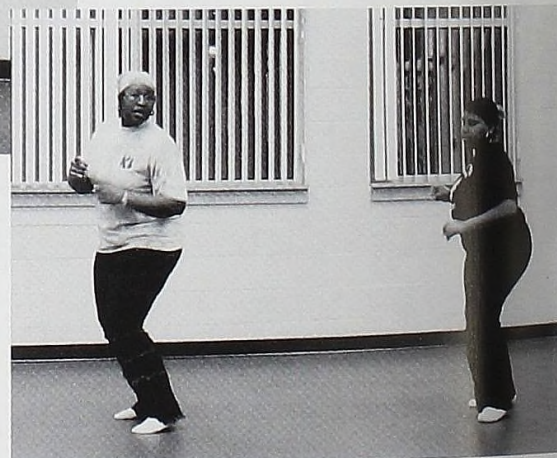
Though membership was a little lower than the officers had desired, members like Melissa Draughn '06 are hopeful that the group will continue to grow in the years to come.

~Sarah DeYoung '07

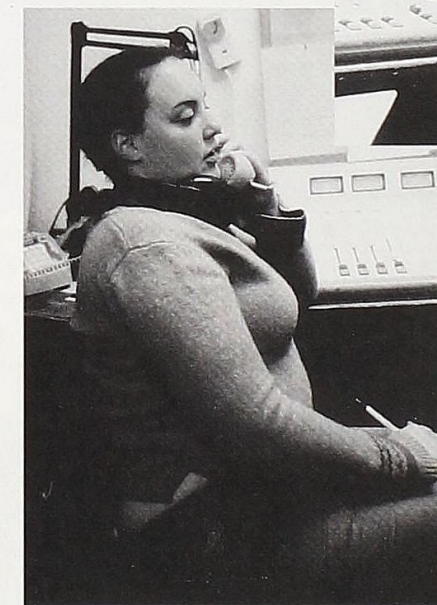


do the hustle
Erin Brantley '05 and Melissa Draughn '06 learn a new dance during the BSU Hustle Night.

just for the fun of it
Erin Brantley '05 and Kolorean Kershaw '05 shake things up a bit in the Rec Center's multipurpose room during Hustle Night.



Students scan the racks of modern rock CDs in the station to pick the perfect songs for their show.



Lori Cargill '05 takes special care to make sure the songs that she plays sound great and provide upbeat music for the stressed listener.

Steffie Berner '05 takes a request during the show she shares with Lori.



Michelle Monsour '04 searches the internet to find the hottest new band to invite to the small town of Alma.

Gildersleeve sisters, Kelly '06 and Erin '03, pose as they prepare for their weekly talk show, "Quack Yack."



getting down to business

Students In Free Enterprise

By: Sarah DeYoung '07

Only three years old and this team of young businessmen and women worked hard and was very successful in learning, practicing and teaching the principles of free enterprise.

The students involved provided educational outreach programs for high school students. Also, as part of National Business Ethics Month, SIFE held an "Ethics in Business" round table.

Business professionals were invited to the college and they sat with interested students from across campus and discussed different ethical issues faced in the business world.

SIFE's biggest accomplishments of the year were winning the Regional competition in Chicago and moving on to compete at the SIFE USA National Exposition in Kansas.

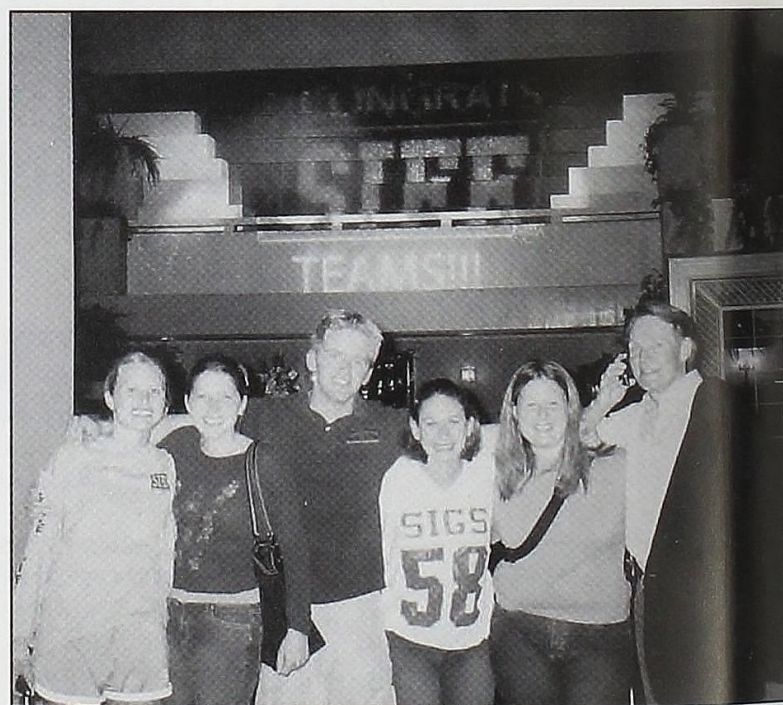


Only minutes before their presentation at Nationals, the representatives from Alma College smile and try not to be nervous. This year's presenters were Theresa Miller '04, Thyra Folk '03, Ross Anderson '04, Nicole Mills '04 and Jennifer Hoorstra '04, all pictured above with their advisor, Professor Lemmon.



Folk and Miller pose on the steps of a park they visited in Kansas City during the SIFE USA National Exposition.

The presenters and Professor Lemmon take pride in a job well done. Even the hotel they were staying at congratulated the team.



SIFE photos courtesy of Theresa Miller

Panhellenic Council

These ladies dedicate themselves to making all the sororities on campus work as one and find ways to introduce the sororities to all non-Greek women. This year Panhel held a Mocktail Social in which all ladies on campus were invited to visit all the houses and talk about the influences of alcohol on campus. There were Panhel fun nights in which any Greek woman was invited to come to the weekly meeting and also a Must Meet Panhel night for all new pledge. ~Sarah DeYoung '07

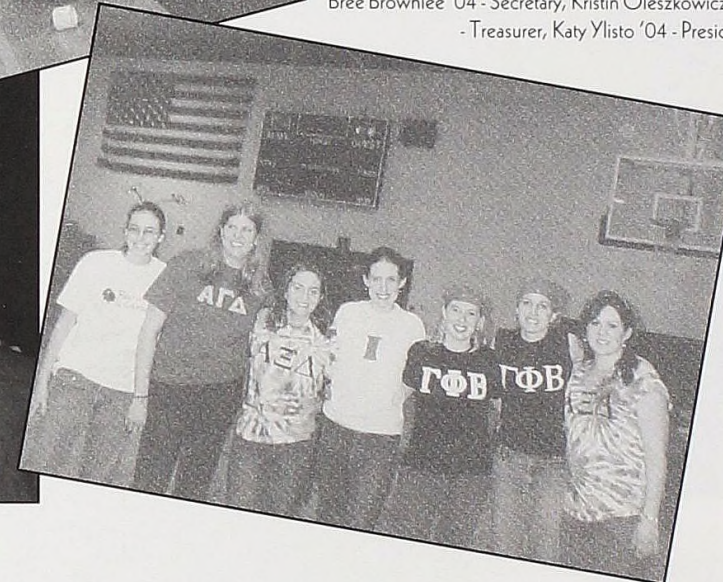
Academic Achievement Chair, Sarah Patterson '04, helps to set up for this year's Walkouts.



Autumn Pickover '04 - Recruitment, Erin Wicker '05 - Public Relations, Sarah Patterson '04 - Academic Achievement, Emalee Sutherland '04 - Vice President, Bree Brownlee '04 - Secretary, Kristin Oleszkowicz '05 - Treasurer, Katy Ylsto '04 - President.



President Katy Ylsto '04 welcomes two new pledges after Walkouts, Naomi Vance '05 and Katie Stieber '06.

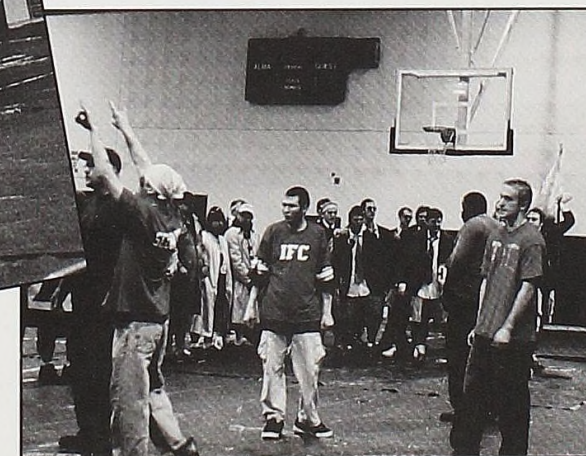
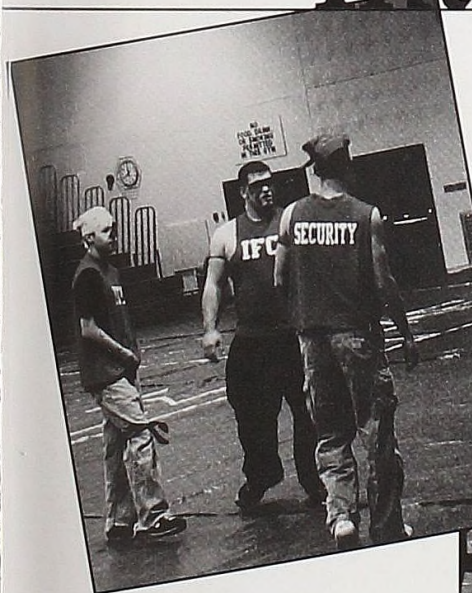


Interfraternity Council

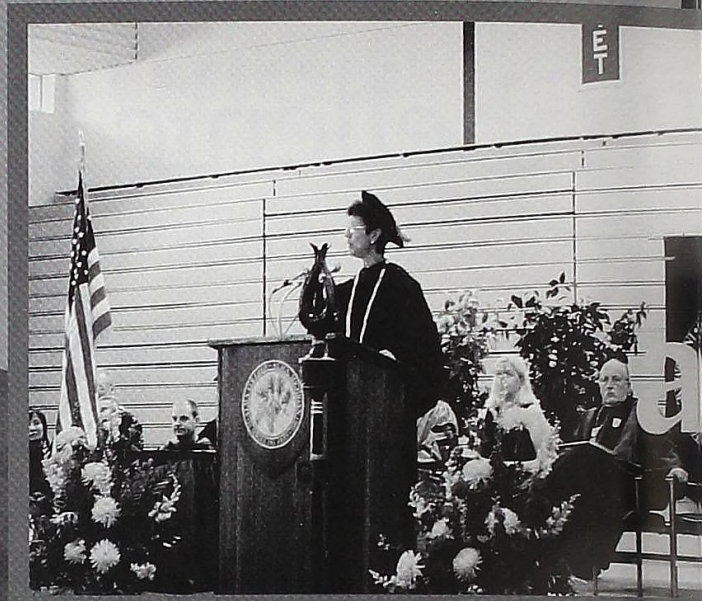
The men involved in IFC acted as security during Runouts with the hopes of being able to tame the rowdy crowds.

This group of men is made up of representatives of the five social fraternities on campus. It is their job to see that each fraternity is behaving. They also run events in hopes of encouraging other men on campus to become a part of Greek-life. This group is also in charge of runouts, setting up the gymnasium and trying to keep everything under control so that those who attend can have a good time.

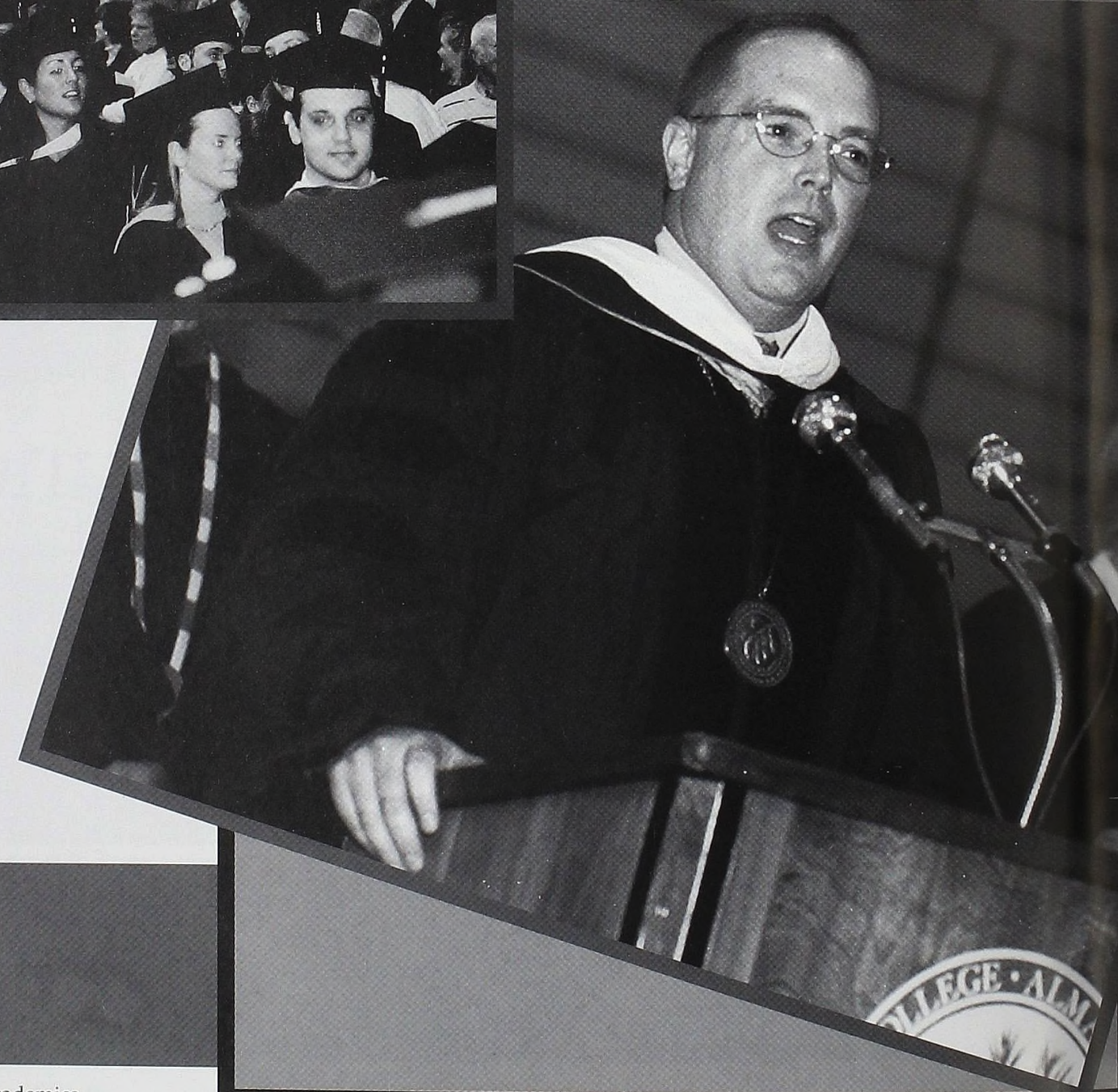
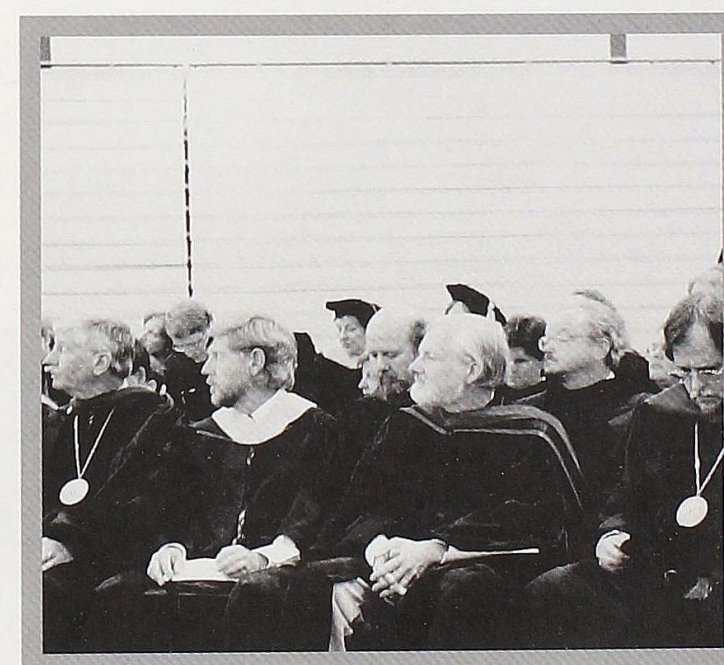
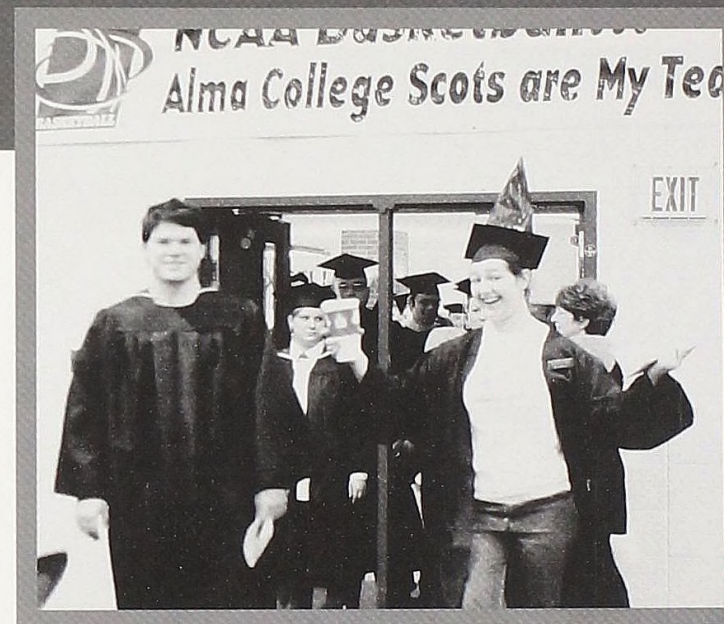
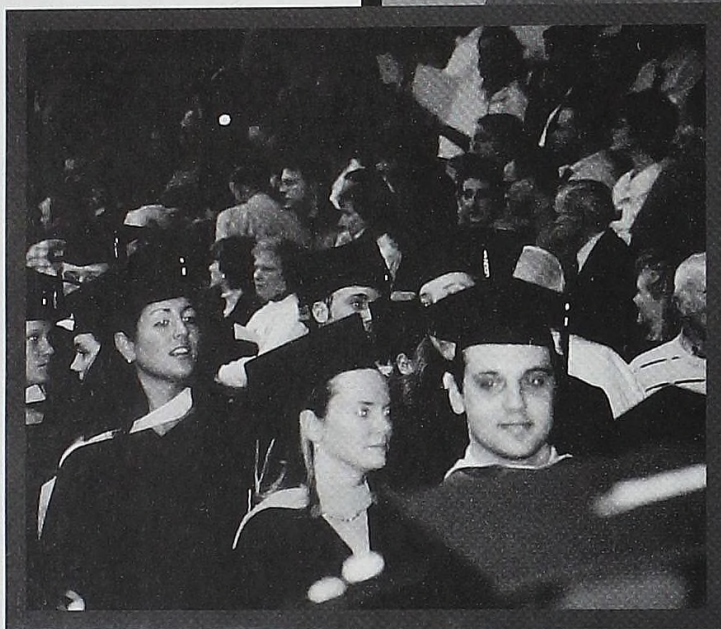
~Sarah DeYoung '07



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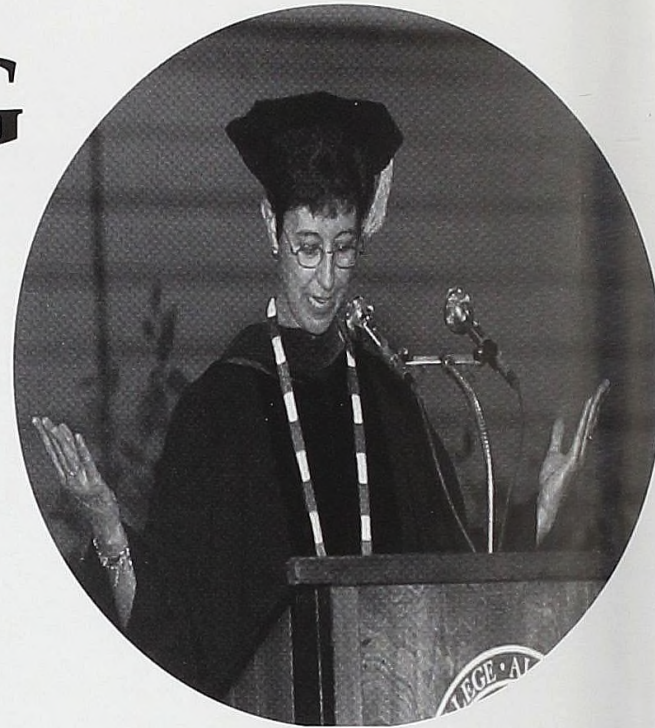


A NEW BEGINNING

Opening Convocation

By Nick Green '07

The academic year was underway as President Tracy welcomed students both new and old to Alma in the Cappaert Gymnasium. Fall term opening convocation held on September fifth was filled with words of encouragement, inspiration, and aspirations for the coming year. Following President Tracy's welcome, the vice president of enrollment, Dennis P. Bergvall, presented the class of 2006. During his presentation he spoke of "snapshots" which were taken from the 2002 Alma Freshmen. Included in the "snapshots" were the remarks of how highly the incoming class had been involved in their high schools and communities. He also mentioned the fact that there were more males than females which has rarely happened in past classes. Student Congress President Robyn Paige revealed hints as how to better one's Alma experience and how to make the most of it.



President Tracy welcoming Alma's students



The Alma College faculty pose for their yearly convocation picture in front of Dunning Memorial Chapel

Photo by Danielle Calhoun '04

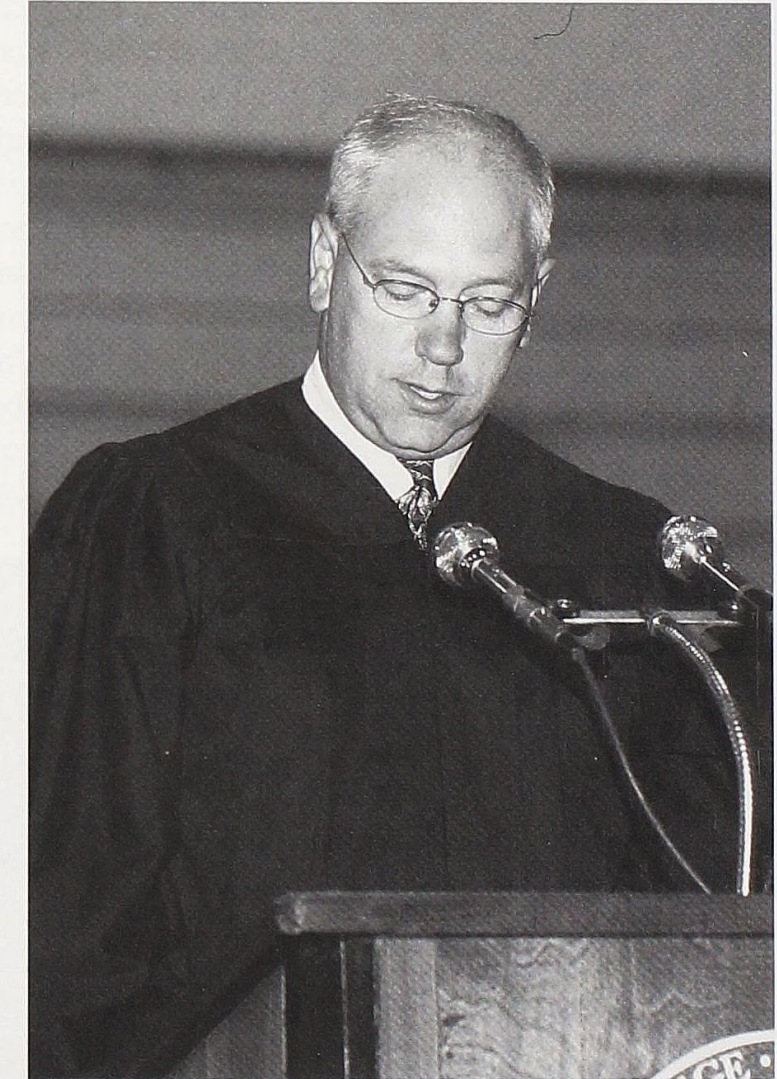
Preceding Ms. Paige's words of advice, Provost Avery introduced and welcomed the class of 2006. Giving the convocation address were Ronald Massanari, Charles A. Dana Professor of Religious Studies and Philosophy, and also the faculty Barlow recipient of 2002. Later, President Tracy presented five Posey awards for faculty and administrator excellence. Among those receiving the awards were Liping Bu, Assistant Professor of History, Murray Borrello, Instructor of Geology and Environmental Studies Chair, Sandy Hulme, Associate Professor of Political Science, Brian Stratton, Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, and Sue Deel, Associate Registrar. Those awarded received a standing ovation by the audience. Secrest Professor of Music, Will Nichols, led the audience in the Alma Mater to conclude the opening convocation. Professor Nichols' addition to the service was followed by the recessional to the traditional Scottish tunes.

Student Congress President Robyn Paige giving her words of advice to the new students.



"It had a positive atmosphere."
~Shirey Nault '06

Vice President of Enrollment Bergvall introduces the incoming freshman class of 2006.



"The cool gowns and octagonal caps inspired me to get a Ph.D.."
~Oscar DeLong '06

"The appreciation shown towards members of the faculty was heartwarming."
~ Erin Brantley '05

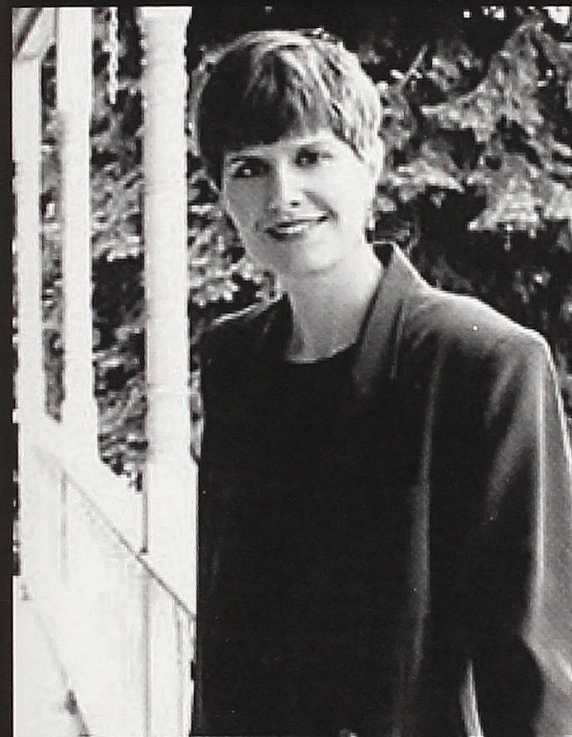
Bursting the Bubble

BY NICK GREEN '07

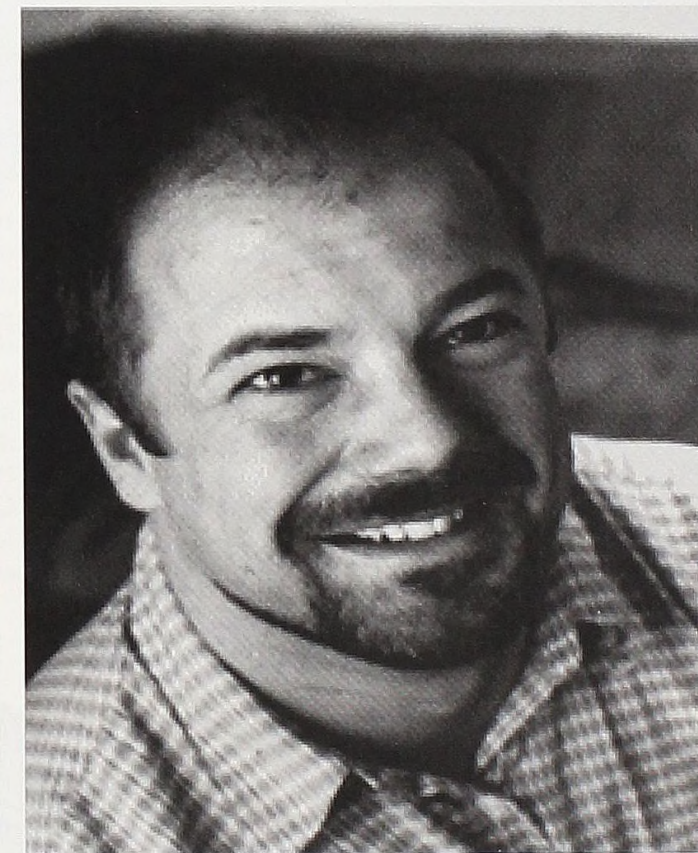
Even while receiving a first-rate education here at Alma, students are susceptible to being caught in the "Bubble": the state of being where students often times become cut off from most forms of media which leads to a feeling of detachment or ignorance for the rest of the world. Many times students begin to feel as if they are existing in a void where only they and the college faculty and staff exist. This, however, is not the case. Community outreach programs through clubs, fraternities, sororities, service learning courses and the Center for Student Development all help students connect with people who live "outside the bubble." Bursting the bubble also means looking at diversity. Each year, the Alma College community celebrates diversity by inviting a variety of speakers to come talk about the current issues in the world. This year the college welcomed several different experts in different fields. Perhaps the most

controversial for 2003 were Dr. Janett Smith - an acclaimed philosopher and professor at Sacred Heart Seminary - and Andrew Smith, respected columnist and author. Each came to campus on different occasions to speak on the crisis in the Catholic Church. Others who found their way to the halls of Alma college included the AIDS quilt and Shihab Nye. Nye is a poet, essayist, and author who writes on growing up with a Palestinian father and an American mother and celebrates our shared humanity. Finally, president of Resources for the Future and Alma alumnus Dr. Paul Portney delivered the Honors Keynote speech. He was presented with an honorary degree during Honors Convocation the following day.

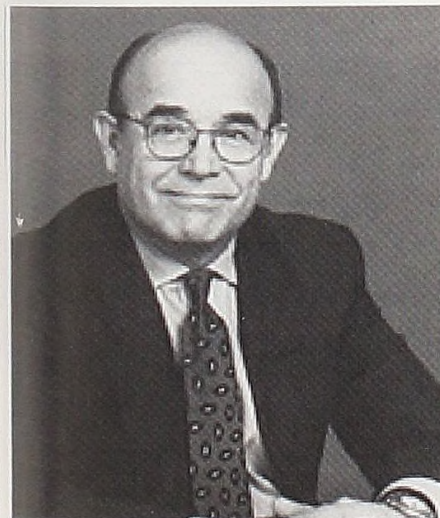
Discussing the problems that have befallen the Catholic Church, Janet Smith shared valuable insight on positions that people have over the matter.



Dr. Sandra Steinberger lectured to Alma College students and staff about the environment and its possible relations to cancer.

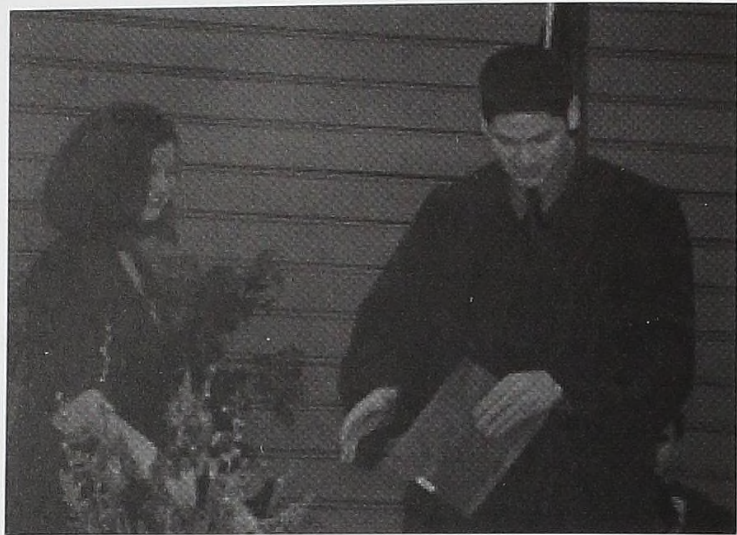


Noted columnist and author Andrew Sullivan lectured on "The Crisis in the Catholic Church" as part of an ongoing series of lectures on the subject.

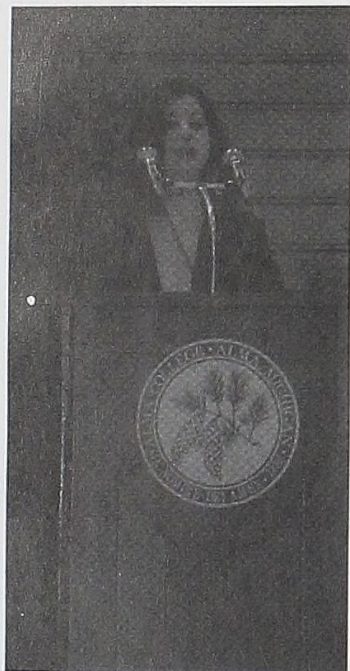


Dr. Paul Portney, president of Resources for the Future and a graduate of Alma College delivered the Honors Keynote speech.

Junior Jessica Karbowski and senior Joe Phillips share a light moment together during an Honor's Convocation presentation.



Jessica Karbowski delivers a speech during Convocation. As this year's Truman Scholarship winner, it seemed fitting to have Jessica speak on the accomplishments and rigors of her fellow students for the 2003 year.



Honor's Convocation

By Nick Green '07

Honor's Convocation comes each year in the face of students fevered studying for finals and exuberant anticipation for the end of the school year. Convocation serves as the last real unifying event for the entire campus. Because this is such an important day on campus, Alma College often brings in guest speakers for convocation. Dr. Paul Portney, president of Resources for the Future, delivered the keynote speech.

Although the speeches are very important, one of the allures of the day for students is the chance to watch the seniors parade into the gym wearing their creatively decorated caps and gowns. Lastly, the major student awards are give out during convocation: the Barlow and President's Cups. Candidates for this year were Joe Phillips, Shannon Finnegan and Mary Rosalez.



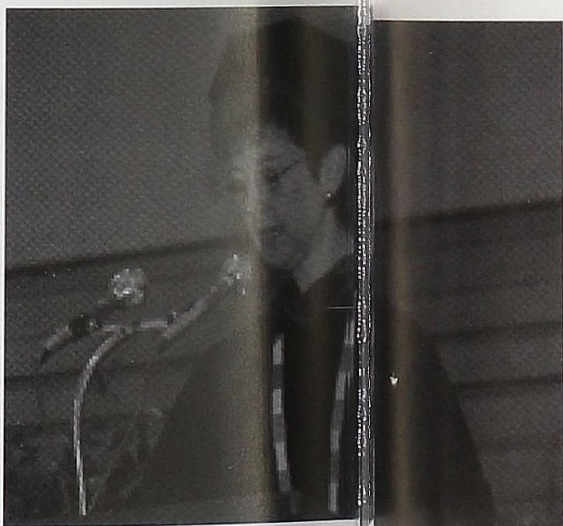
Matteo LoPiccolo '04
President's Recipient

"Who says football players and fraternity men can't read gooder than other people!"



Shannon Finnegan '03
Barlow Trophy Winner

"It's just such an honor to have won, I really don't know what to say. You get a really good feeling about what you've done when you are recognized in something like this."



Watching the Parade.

One of the big highlights for students is to watch the seniors creative and often numerous modifications to their caps and gowns. Many seniors put something funny that represents themselves as well as the fraternity or sorority letters they belong to or any other organization they were part of.

President Sandra J. Tracy delivers her opening remarks for the Convocation. Her speech reflected what students had

accomplished in their time at Alma College and hopes for their future careers.

Honor's Convocation

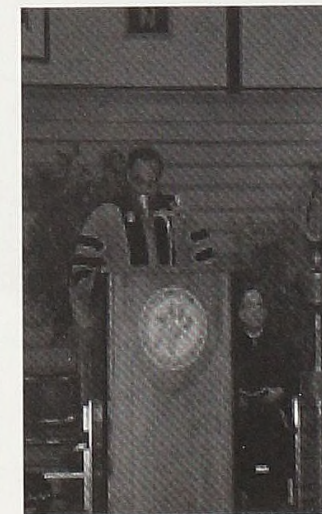


Dan Schwegler and friend parade down the aisle and show off their crafted gown and cap for the student body.



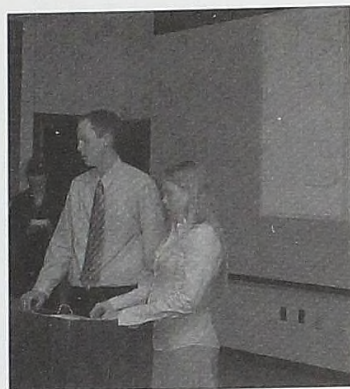
Welcome to Margaritaville...

These guys got a laugh out of the student body by showing off one of their many hobbies and pastimes.



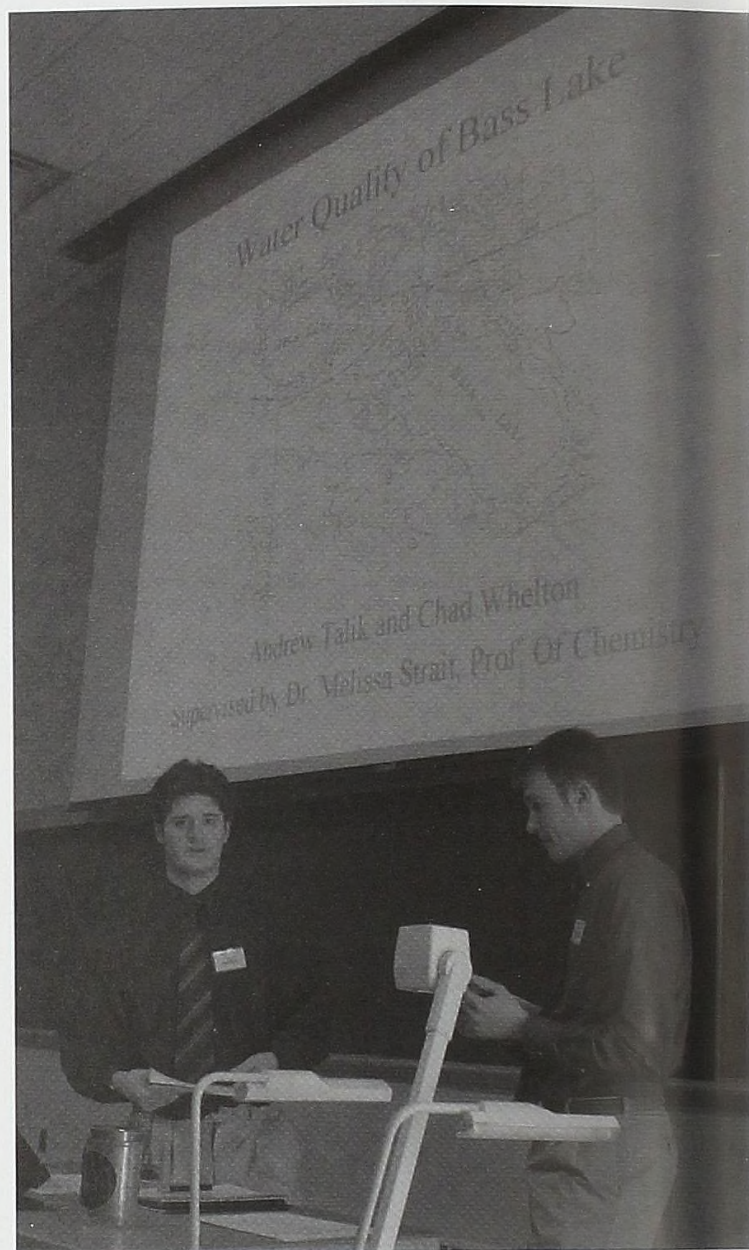
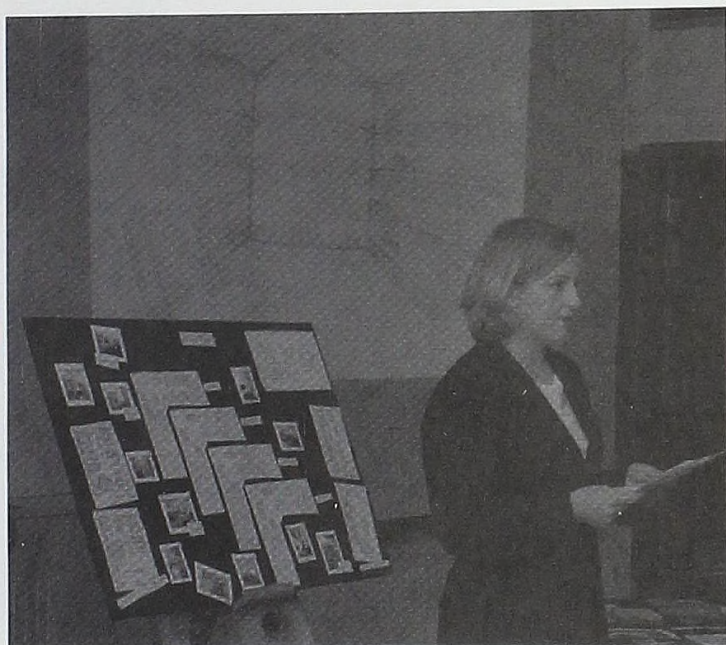
Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Reginald Avery speaks at Honors Convocation.

Seniors Andrew Talik and Chad Whelton share their water analysis with students and concerned others during their Honor's Day Presentation.

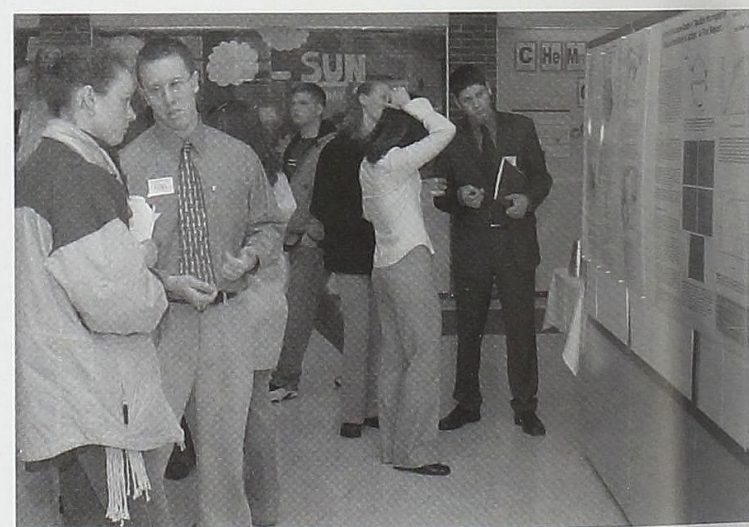


Katie Hill '04 and partner show off the blueprints and specifications of the model of Wright Hall they entered in the KAPP competition.

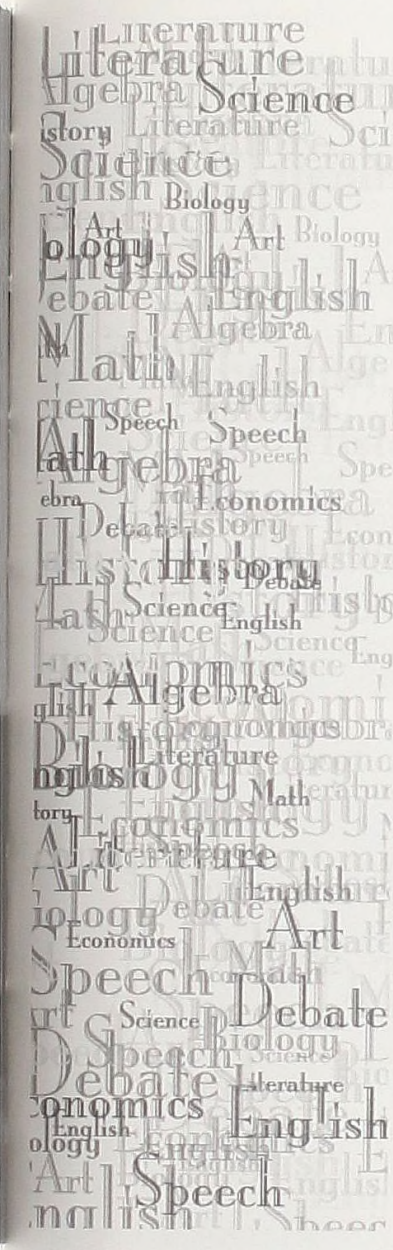
Lora Ross '04 explains the features of the Wright Hall that she, April LaCroix, and Taylor Heins designed. Their design was chosen as the KAAP winner.



Melissa Ricketts '06 answers questions from fellow Alma College students during a session between presentations.



Senior Brian Tweddle explains aspects of his presentation to curious student while Truman nominee Joe Phillips contemplates one of the diagrams.



President Sandra Tracy (right) poses with the Kapp Prize winners (left to right): Taylor Heins '05, April LaCroix '05 and Lora Ross '04.



Grant Kinney '04 gives his dissertation on different religions in the eastern parts of the world. Some of the religions covered were Buddhism and Hinduism.



Student Projects

Students espousing wisdom to their peers.

By Nick Green '07

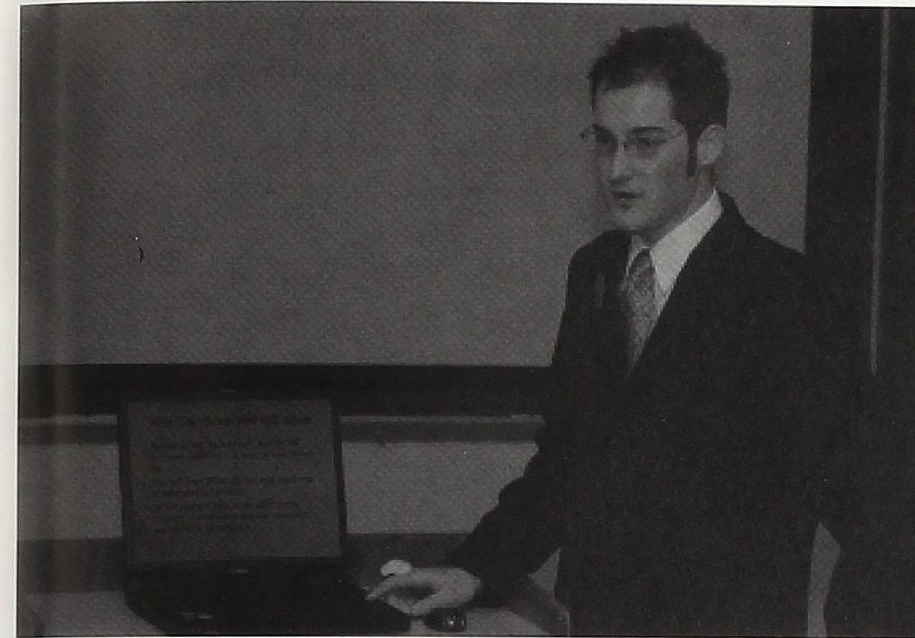
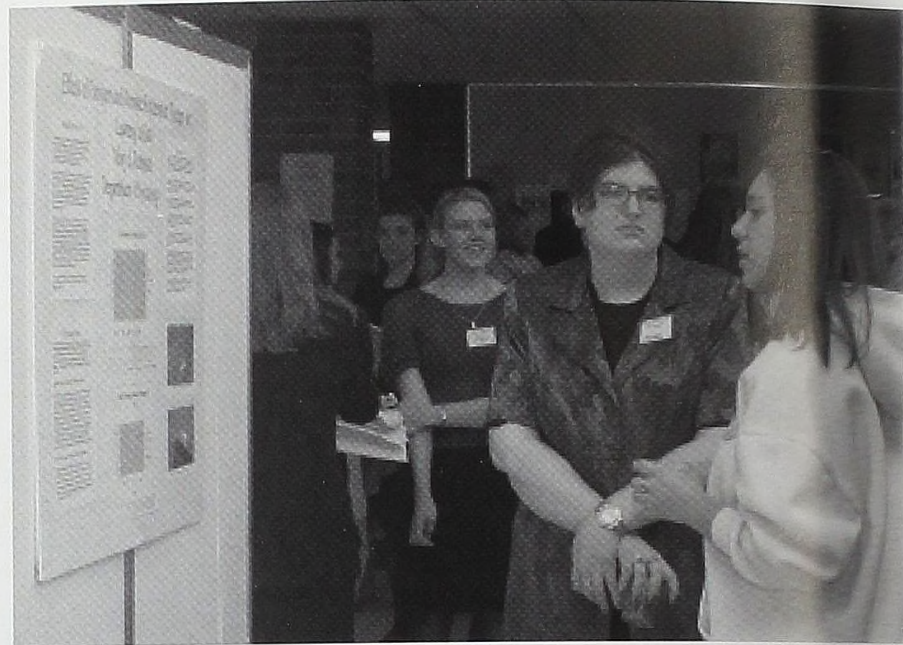


Each year, Alma College sets aside a day in April to honor those students who have done research or prepared a presentation of notable merit in selected fields of study. Honor's day is spent in appreciation of the academic achievement of peers. All classes are cancelled and students are expected and encouraged to attend presentations that interest them. Some student presenters chose to deliver a Powerpoint presentation in the lecture halls of Swanson Academic Cen-

ter, while others chose to draw up posters and charts and display them in the DOW Science Center. Presenters gave a brief speech on their topic and then allowed for some question and answer time. One of the big features of this year's presentations was the unveiling of plans for the new Wright Hall, to begin construction next year. The chosen design was created by three students: Taylor Heins '05, April LaCroix '05, and Lora Ross '04.

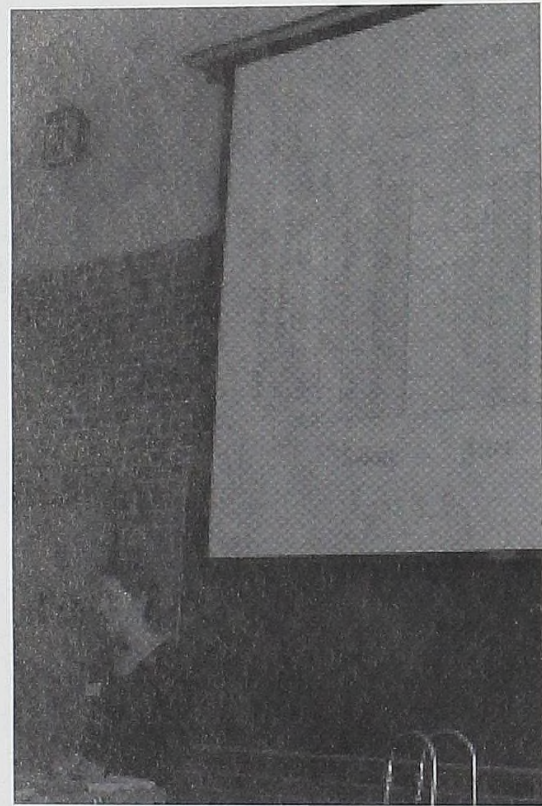
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Honors day presentations provide the opportunity for fellow students to teach and learn from their peers.

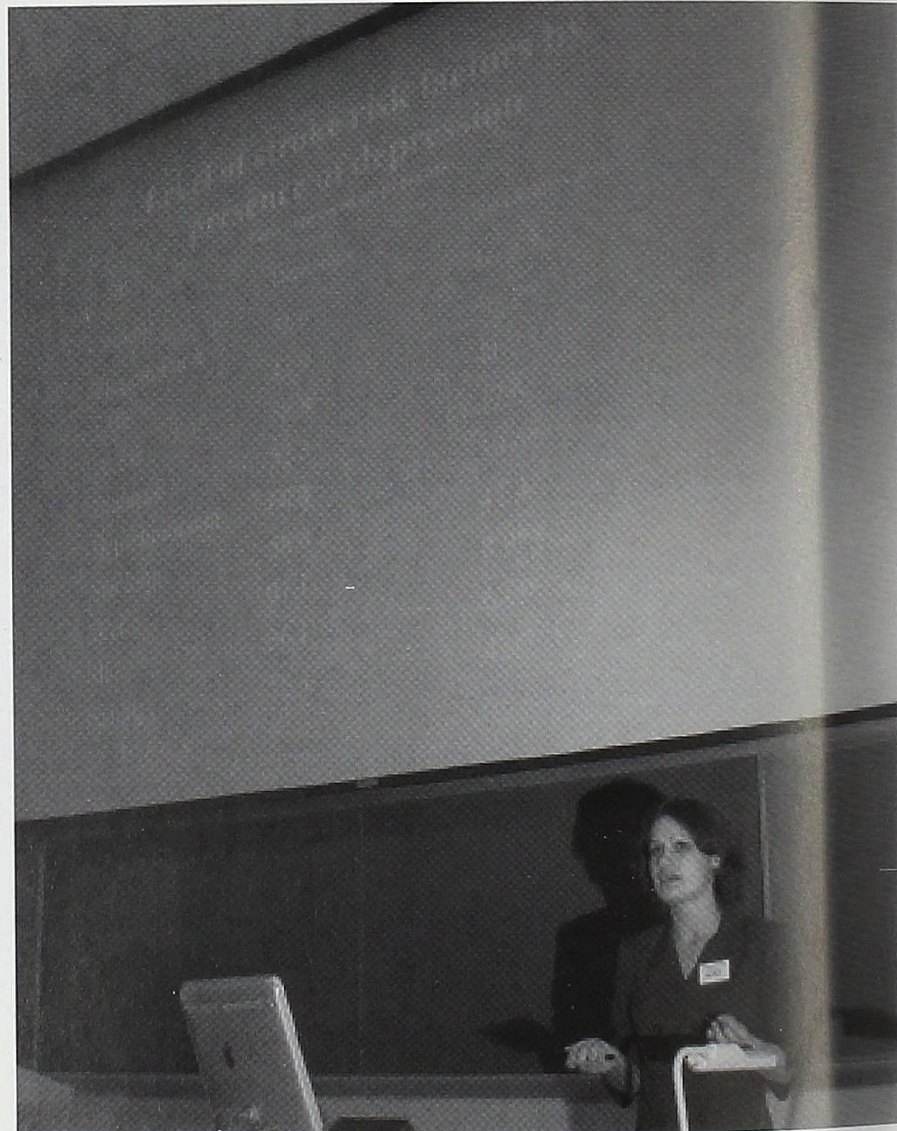


Matthew Friar '03 presents his Honors Day project to the campus community. Matthew's presentation was entitled "Economic Sanctions and the Pyongyang Regime".

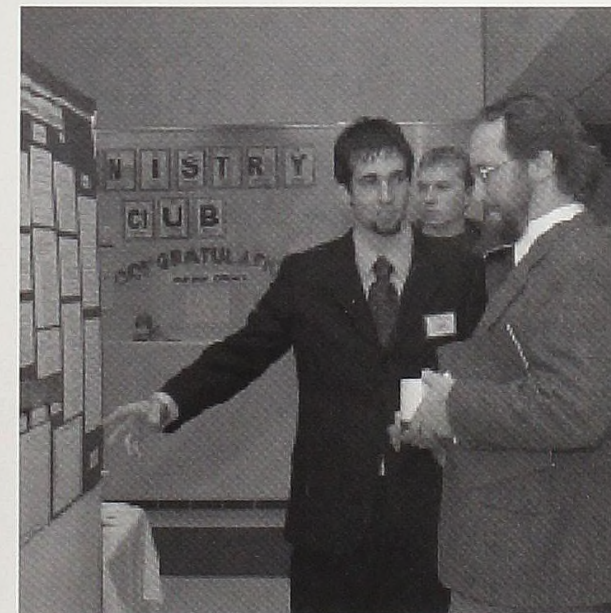
Rebecca Feuerstein '06 researched Zambian AIDS orphans. Her focus was on what their life is like and what can be done to help them.



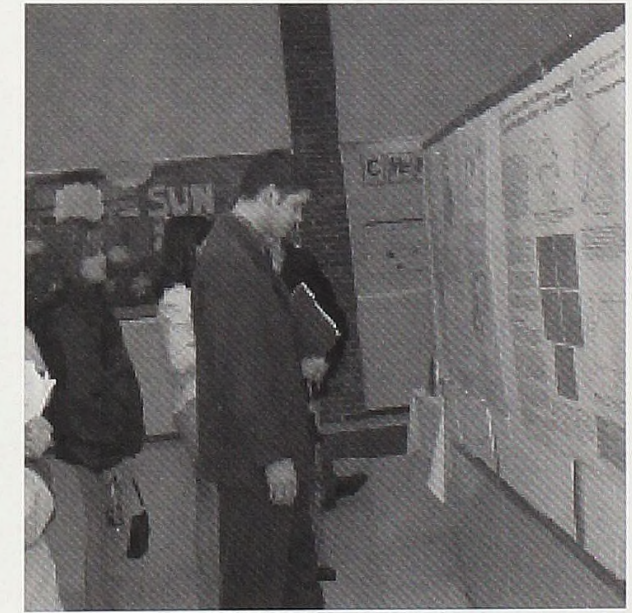
The development of vocal music techniques for improving speech patterns in people who stutter was the topic of choice for Kim Graor '06



Honors Day Presentations



Tyler Rummel '06



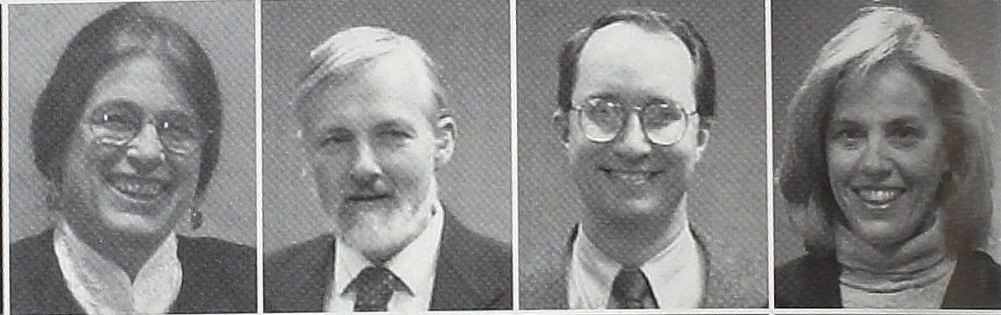
Joseph Phillips '03

Professors

Robyn Anderson
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Julie Arnold
Gregory Baleja
Karen Ball



Tom Batchelder
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Walter Beagley
Joe Beckmann
Carol Bender



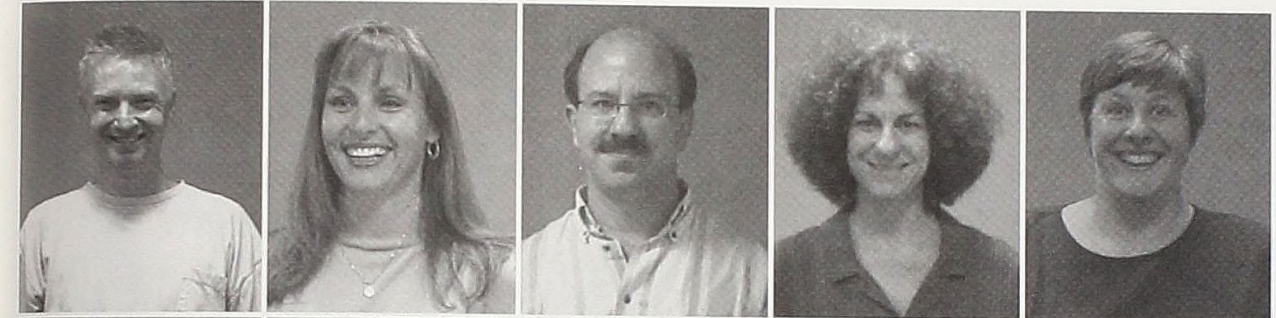
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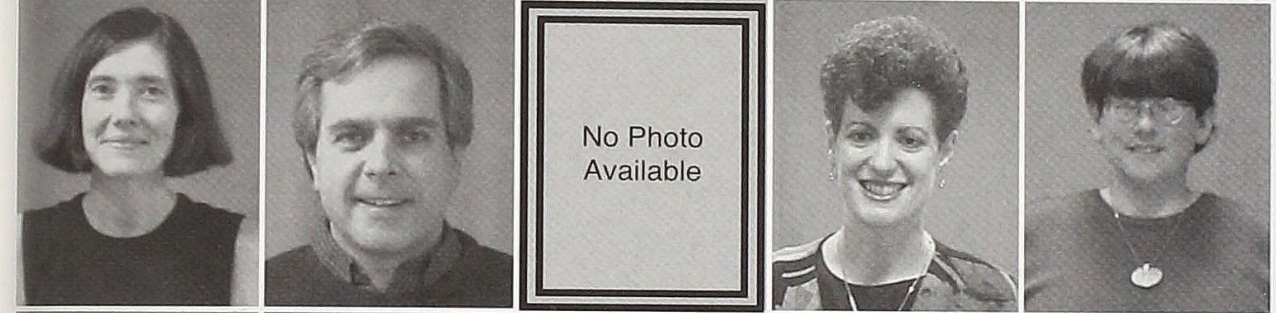
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Jason Economides
Carol Fike
Nicola Findley



Catherine Fobes
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John Gibson
Joanne Gilbert
Kay Grimnes



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John Hawley
Scott Hill
Sandy Hulme
James Hutchinson



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Timothy Keeton
Margarita Krakusin
David Lawrence



Ronald Lemmon
Frances Lichtman
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Edward Lorenz
Leslie Love

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 Ronald Massanari
 Myles McNally
 Scott Messing
 Robert Molina



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 James Mueller
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 Will Nichols
 Melvin Nyman



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 William Palmer
 Carrie Parks-Kirby
 Anthony Patterson



Marek Payerhin
 John Putz
 Cameron Reed
 Tom Reed
 Anythony Rickard



Raymond Riley
 Susan Root
 John Rowe
 Robert Rozier
 Douglas Scrips



"A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops."
 —Henry Brooks Adams

"Everyone who remembers his own educational experience remembers teachers, not methods and techniques."

Mark Seals
 Marc Setterland
 Maurice Sheppard
 Tim Sipka
 Carol Slater



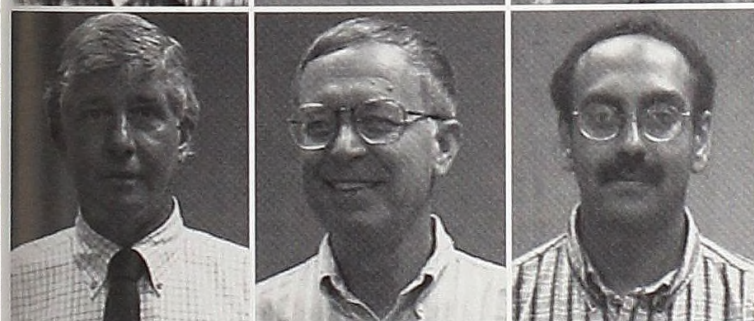
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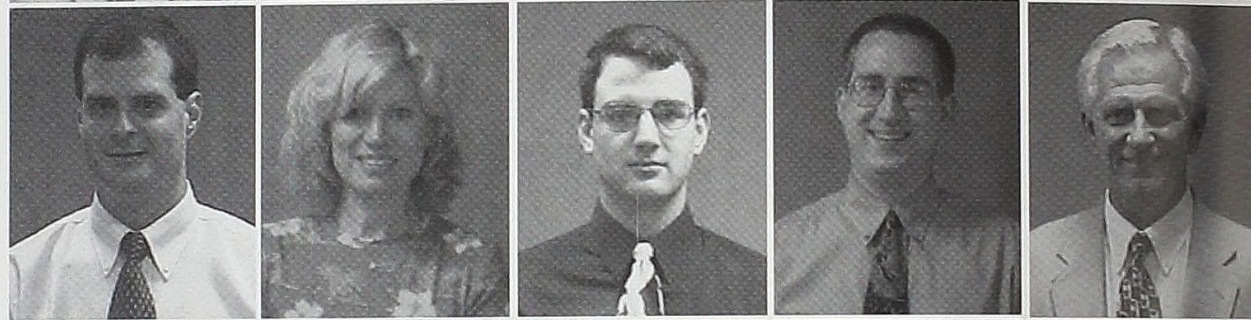
"The dream begins, most of the time, with a teacher who believes in you, who tugs and pushes and leads you on to the next plateau, sometimes poking you with a sharp stick called truth."
 —Dan Rather

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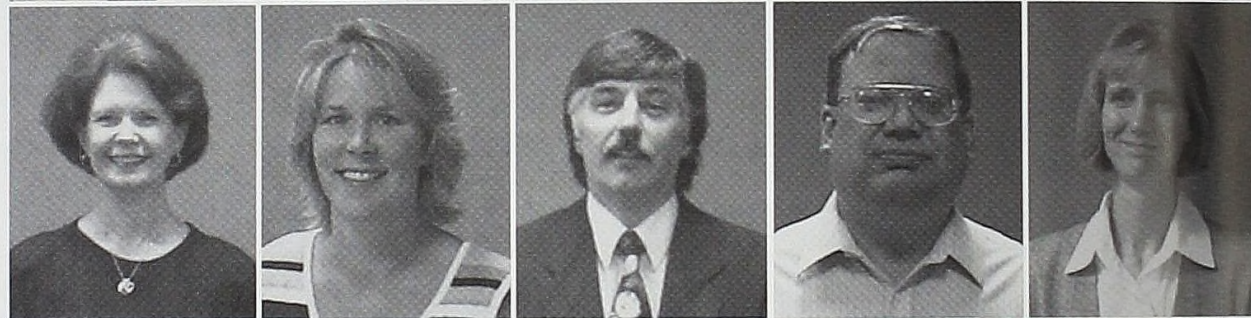
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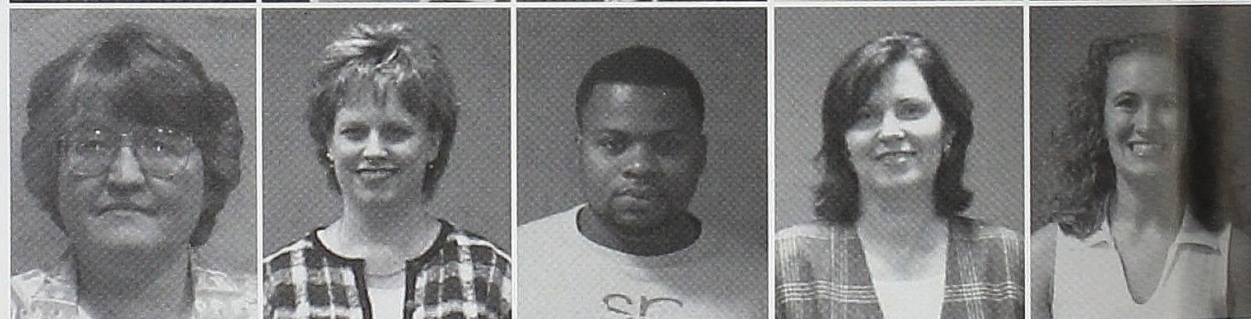
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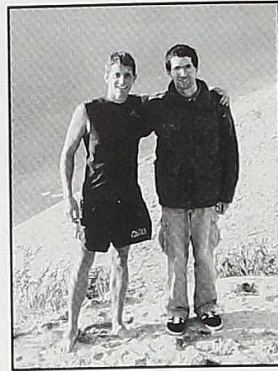


Congratulaions Cassir!

You have showed us what you can do over the years and we couldn't be prouder. Now it's time to show the world.

We wish you every success.

Love,
Mom and Dad



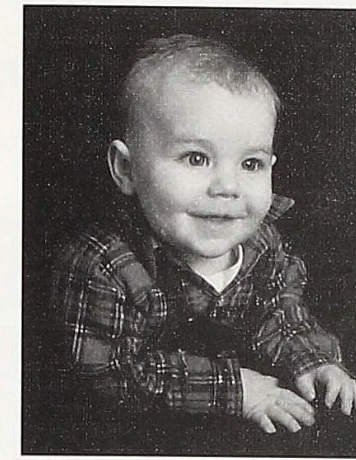
Chris,
NO YOU ARE NOT TWINS!
But, we couldn't love either of you more.
We are proud of you.
Love, Mom and Dad

Even in a skirt we're proud of you Mike.

Congratulations!

We wish you success in all you pursue.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Dear Lee,

Congratulation on a college career full of achievements; It has brought many happy proud moments to our family

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Steve

Congratulatio Seniors!



We love you and will miss you!

Sarah Ellis, Mylene Wood, Katie Kellog, Sarah Harvey, Lydnsey Van Wormer, Beth Reinbold, Stephanie Zehner, Sara Towne, Becky Logan, Roberta Squires, Holly Honigfort

Always remember, "Once a Phi Sigma Sigma, always a Phi Sigma Sigma."



We are so proud of you!

Love,
Mom and Dad

Congratulations Erin!



We are so proud of you and your many acomplishments. You are truly our special "Gift From God." Keep moving forward on your journey through life.

Much Love,
Mom, Dad, and Andrew

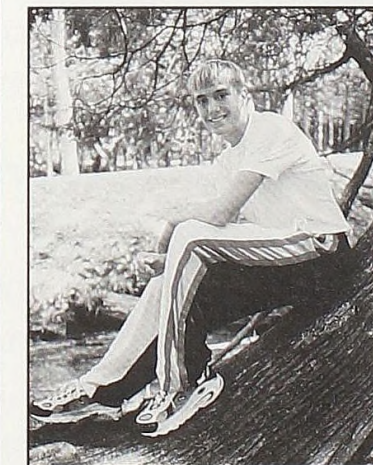


Congratulations Regina,

You've danced right through another milestone. May life always be a dance for you and may God continue to smile on you as you influence the lives of others

All our Love,
Mom, Dad, Zj, and Liz

Garnet,
We are very proud of all your accomplishments and the person you have become.



Love,
Mom and Dad

Congratulations Julie
May your wishes come true. We are very proud of your achievements.

Love,
Dad, Mom, & Jr.



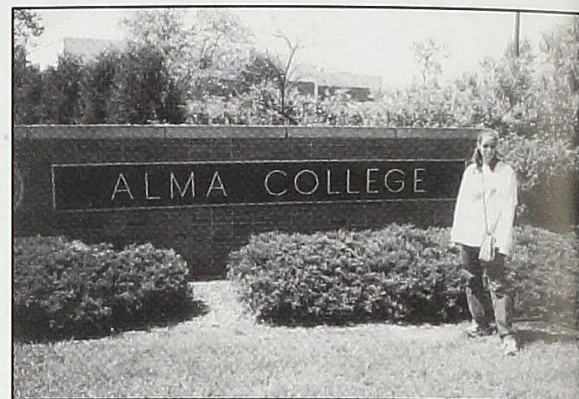


GO PEEPER!

We are so proud of you.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Congratulations Krystle



We are very proud of all you have achieved.

Good Luck at Graduate School.

Love, Mother & Dad

You Did It Christy!

We are very proud of you. Not only for what you've accomplished, BUT Also for just being who you are. You'll make a wonderful teacher.

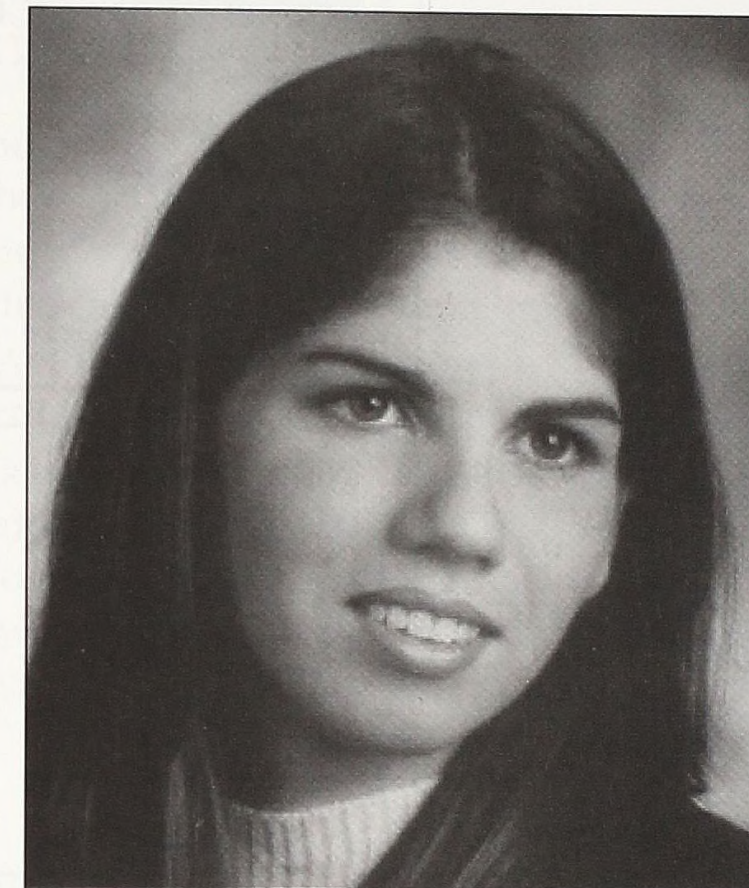
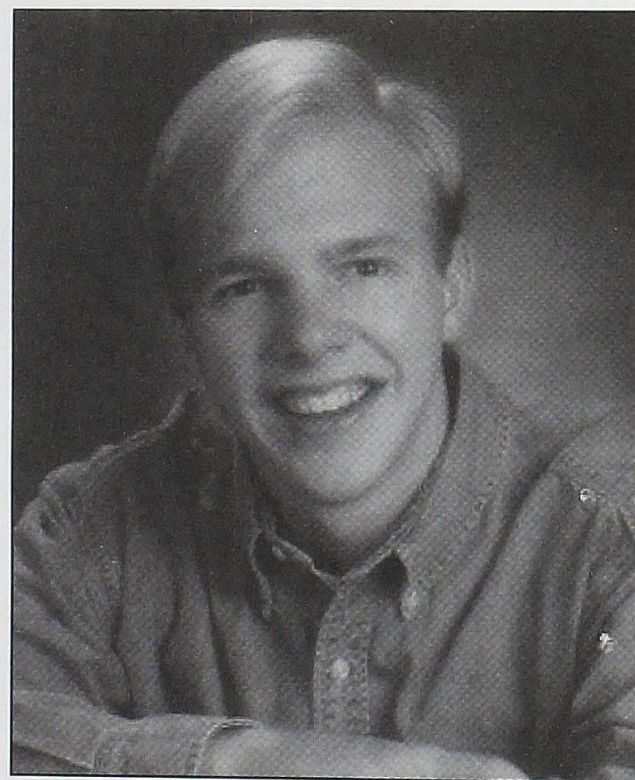


Love, Mom, Dad, and Lisa

Congratulations Andy!

The sky is the limit for what YOU can do!

We wish you our best in whatever you choose.



Sandra Stanley

Always follow your heart
You can fly and you can soar,
You can open any door,
You can sail the widest ocean,
You can set the wheels in motion...

Because dreams come true if you just start
By simply listening to you heart...

Just dream and do, We truly believe in you!!

Love Always,
Mom, Dad, Grandma,
Jennifer, Derek, Liz, Rob,
Jim & Noelle

Tom,
 You bagged another
 accomplishment!
 Congratulations!!



Love,
 Mom, Tom,
 Paul, and
 Elizabeth



Congratulations
 Darlene
 I'm very proud
 of your
 accomplishments.
 Love Dad

Alpha Xi Seniors ~
 We are so proud of
 you and will miss
 you next year!
 Good luck in all
 you do.
 Love,
 Alpha Xi Delta



Congratulations
 Holly!

We are so proud
 of the person you
 have become.

Love, Mom & Dad



Congratulations Kat!

Even on cloudy days you
 are the sunshine of our lives

We wish you success
 in all your dreams.

Love, Mom and Dad



Congratulations
 Cathy!
 Go confidently in
 the direction of your
 dreams!
 I am proud of you
 accomplishments!
 Love Mom

"Congratulations David"

Four years have come and gone by so very fast,
 But the memories of your college career will always last.

You have excelled in the classroom so very well,
 And from the football stadium, there are tales to tell.

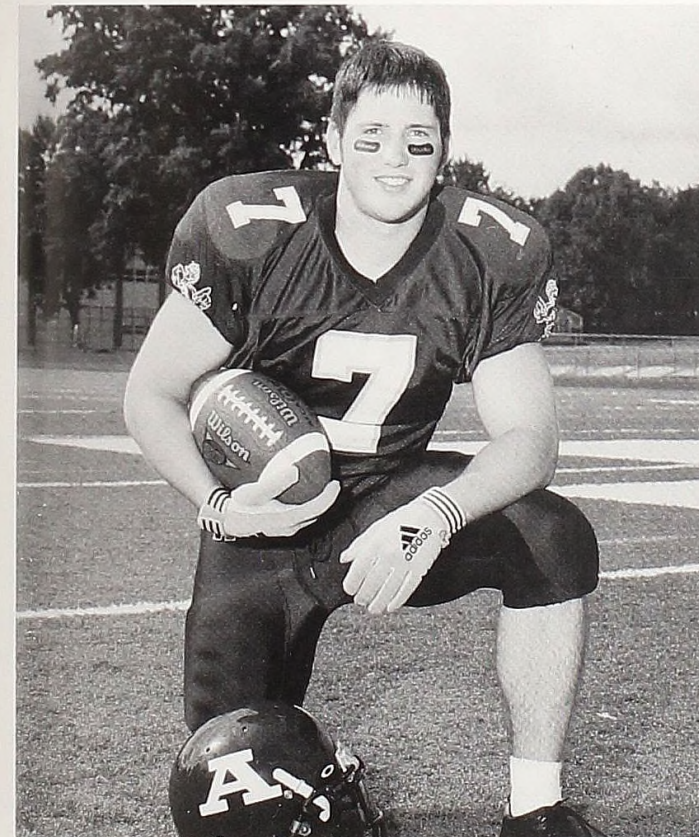
A three time All American player ... simply WOW!
 Your overall abilities continue to amaze us, even now.

As a son and brother, we love you so much...
 No family could be prouder of all te lives you touch!

Congratulation as you begin your teaching career,
 To alwayssee your success in life, just look in the mirror.

We love you and thanks for the wonderful memories
 we've shared as the family of an Alma Scot!

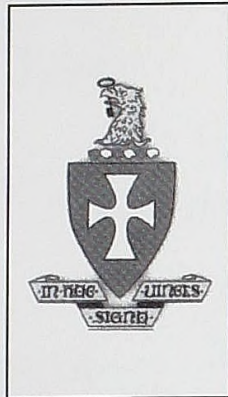
Dad, Mom,Bill, Andrea & Jeff



David Allen Simpson
 Class of 2003

2003 Harlan R. McCall Memorial Scholar
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 Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society
 Rho Chi Epsilon Business Honor Society
 MIAA Academic Honor Roll 4/4 years

2003 Alma College Most Valuable
 Defensive Player
 MIAA 1st team Defense All-Conference
 2003 Morley Fraser Division III
 Scholar-Athlete of the Year
 Verizon 1st team District V
 All-Academic Football Team
 Don Hansen 1st Team All American Team
 Hewlett Packard 1st All American Team
 D3 Football.com 2nd Team All American



Brian,

Congratulations! We are extremely proud of you and all of your accomplishments at Alma and with Sigma Chi.

Love, Dad, Mom, and Michelle



Congratulations Amanda!

We are very proud of you. Best wishes in your medical career. God Go With You.

Love, Dad, Mom, Grandpa Duzy, Ben, Drew, and Grandpa and Grandma Brinks

Congratulations

to you

for your

achievement

and for the

hard work

you have put

into it.

Keep up the

good work.

Best wishes

for the future.

Yours truly,

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