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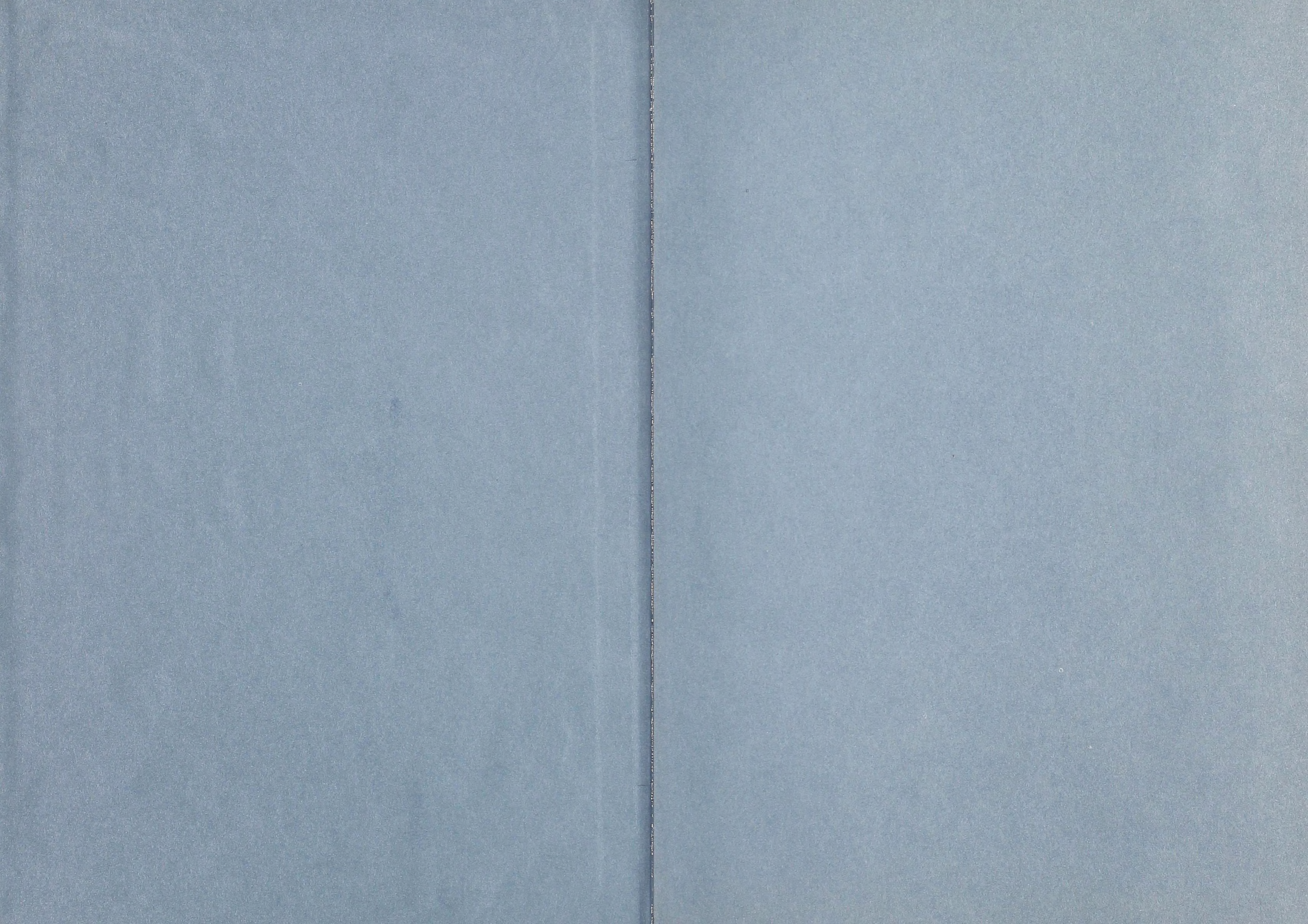
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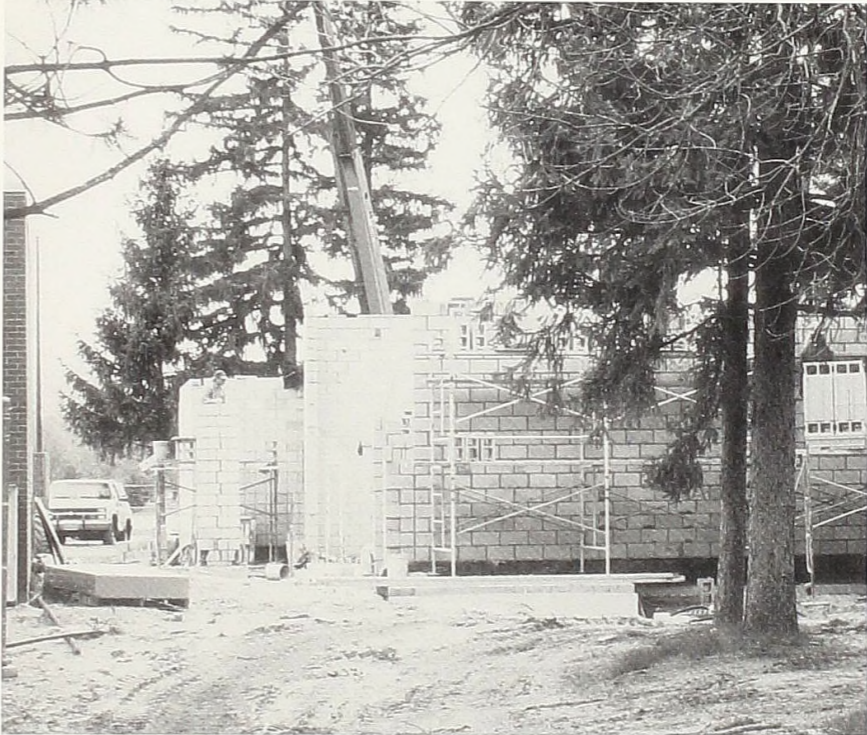


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It's A Fine Mess

With the Colina Library Wing completed, new expansion projects were launched. The construction of the new Exercise and Health Science addition to the Physical Education Center began. This addition was one of the first stages of "Cherished Ever: A Campaign for Alma College."



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True Sco!

Kiltie Band members show their spirit by twirling their kilts for the Parents Day visitors. The band performance on the lawn in front of Tyler-VanDusen was just one of the many activities throughout the day. The Kiltie Band also performed during home football games and marched in several parades before finishing off the season with an indoor marching concert.



E. Hart

Providing a "true liberal arts education" meant offering a diverse curriculum to students. Students were encouraged to develop their creativity through a variety of courses.

Students who had experience with a musical instrument were often drawn towards one of the many groups established: Kiltie Marching Band, Concert Band, Pep Band, Winds, Symphony Orchestra, Jazz Band, and Percussion Ensemble. Although these were offered for academic credit, some devoted musicians enrolled for their own personal benefit.

For vocal musicians, Mixed Choir and Glee Clubs were offered to both men and women. Often pieces of music

were performed in various languages—Hebrew, Spanish, German, Latin, French—adding diversity to the performances. "The languages, though at times a challenge, add more variety to our program and break things up a little for us as well as the audience," said Valerie Simmons '98. Diversity was prominent in the selections as well as the languages they were performed in. The groups performed Scottish folk songs, religious works, and classical selections.

Two of these groups went on tour during the winter break, exposing others to the talent residing in the campus community. The Winds tour included stops in Kalamazoo,

Chicago, and Port Huron while the Choir visited Grosse Pointe and various churches in Florida. "The Florida tour this year was a lot of fun and great experience for those of us who

plan to continue singing after we graduate—just being in this choir and learning all that I have learned has been very helpful in preparing me for

participation in choirs throughout the rest of my life. The great variety of music allows us to learn not only classical, but also some more contemporary pieces and techniques needed to sing each type of piece," said Valerie.

Many groups brought professional performers to the campus, including the Dance Company. These guests performed in the first full length ballet performed by the company. In addition, the first student choreographer's concert was a success; this concert was the senior thesis of Suzanne Vetrone '97. "The student choreography show gave the students an excellent chance to run a show on their own - this is a valuable lesson," said Suzanne Semanson '99. The Dance Company also performed a variety of dances, allowing students to experience styles other than ballet.

"Dance Company has contributed a great deal to my liberal arts education, from improving my abilities as a dancer, to learning how to

organize my schedule around dance. ACDC allows students to develop and perform their own choreography, to dance with and to be instructed by professional dancers, and is a close family developed because of the time and commitment that is required," said Denise Vernon '97.

In another corner of the Heritage Center for the Performing Arts, the Theater Company could be found hard at work. In addition to full length plays—"God's Country" and "The Rivals"—the theater allowed students to direct a variety of one act plays.

Meanwhile, the Clack Art building was buzzing with activity. Offering courses in a variety of talents—photography, painting, ceramics, drawing—provided another outlet for students. Students produced pieces of art which were put on display several times throughout the school year.

Courses were offered for students of every level in various areas. Often it was possible to enroll in private lessons for students interested in personal attention. Also, there was the option of independent studies in a variety of areas, or even a combination of disciplines. This allowed students to experience a "true liberal arts education" in any area they found interesting.

-Cindy Fiedler '99

"To work so closely with professional dancers from the true, brutal dance world was a truly amazing experience."

-Suzanne Semanson '99



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Familiar Talent

Ian Jackson '00 and guest survey the pieces created by student artists on display in the Clack Art Gallery. Students were encouraged to enroll in classes provoking creativity, such as those offered by the art department.

Opportunities

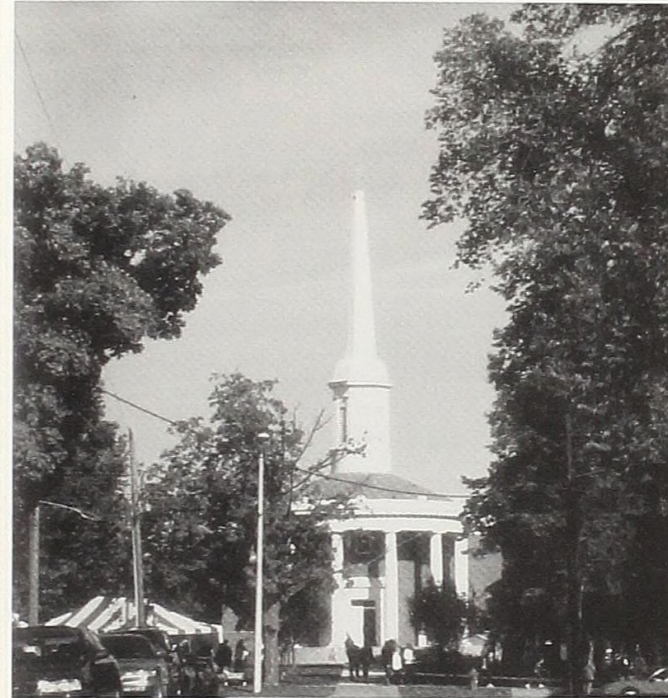


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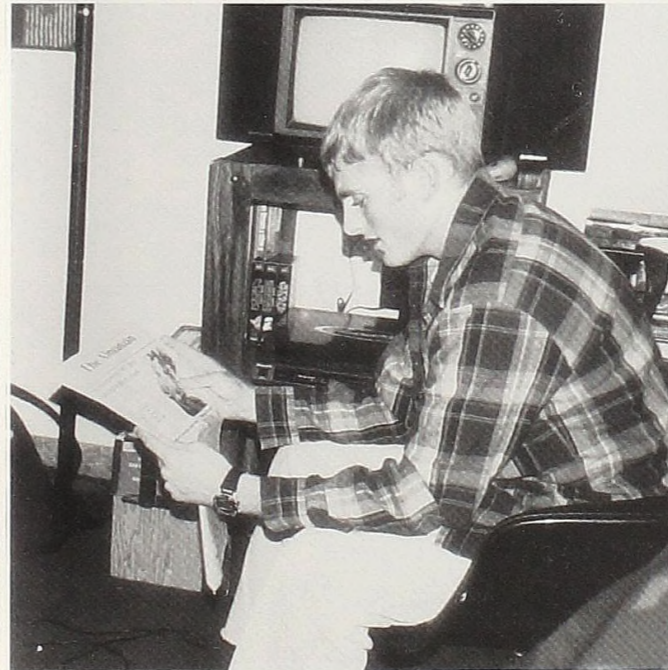
Activities Welcome

Kim Krajniak '98 participates in the fall pre-rush activity—tie-dying—at the Kappa Iota house. The social Greek community sponsored many events throughout the year for both the Greek and non-Greek communities. Greek life and activities contributed yet another piece to college life for many students.

The chapel held non-denominational services on Sunday mornings, allowing for diversity in worship. In addition, weekly Wednesday Night Worship services were open to the entire campus community. Many students made religion an important part of their life through the various religious student organizations on campus, or on their own time.



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Staff

Students were often seen bustling from place to place, determined and active. Outside of classes, students busied themselves with organizations, employment, volunteer activities, Greek life, and personal lives.

Organizations provided something for nearly everyone: those who didn't find an organization that interested them could originate one. Organizations, such as the Pre-Med Club, the Lacrosse Association, and the Mathematics Society, were established during the year by ambitious students. In addition, organizations were revived, such as the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Some campus organizations offered employment as well as involvement: The *Almanian*, *Scot*, and WQAC were job opportunities for those who were interested. In addition, offices offered opportunities for employment. Many departments relied on student aides for copies, errands, tutoring, and correcting classwork. It was not unusual to find student aides in the physical plant, the student affairs office, the copy center, or a variety of other departments on campus.

Students were aware of the benefits of experience. Many volunteered at the hospital, the Masonic Home, Big Brothers/

Big Sisters, or other various community establishments. Many of these opportunities were arranged through Students Offering Services, while others volunteered on their own or through the Greek community.

Greek organizations—professional and social—were available to students. Social Greek organizations were regulated by the Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC) and the Pan Hellenic Council. These fraternities and sororities were often involved in philanthropic activities. In addition, these organizations provided social activities for students. Various activities were open to the entire campus, Greek and non-Greek.

Two professional fraternities resided on the campus as well. Although both music organizations, one was offered to men and one to women. These groups organized concerts and performances each term open to students for both participation and attendance. Like the social organizations, these groups participated in monthly philanthropic activities and offered social activities to the campus.

Students were offered the chance to involve themselves in a variety of activities they found interesting. From social, to academic, to professional, opportunities were abundant throughout the campus community.

- Cindy Fiedler '99

"Greeks provide activities for the entire campus to attend and enjoy."

- Stacy Silk '98

Interesting Reading

Ben Hondorp '98 sits down with his latest issue of the *Almanian*. Students were often found engrossed in the weekly edition of the paper during Tuesday evening meals. The *Almanian* was just one of the many employment opportunities open to students, as well as one of the many student organizations.

Campus Happenings

Tunes

Half of Carnutte and Maher entertains the students with a song. ACUB sponsored this and many other campus happenings throughout the year. Students often found ACUB events to be relaxing and fun.

Peasants

Matt Wandrie '98, Kevin Tunks '97, Joel Ritter '99, and Brett Eavenson '98 participate in the Dance Company's production of *Giselle*. The Dance Company performed several times throughout the year, offering a variety of experiences to both dancers and audiences.



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Throughout the year students were offered a variety of new experiences and opportunities. Various groups sponsor a wide range of events open to the entire campus community.

The Alma College Union Board (ACUB) offered alternatives for students to participate in as stress relievers and entertainment. ACUB events ranged from Songfest and Mock Rock to Coffee Houses and Casino Night. Songfest offered students an opportunity to show off their talents in the eyes of their fellow students, while Mock Rock provided an opportunity for students without the blessing of a beautiful singing voice to perform their favorite music.

ACUB also provided events like the All-Nighter

and Casino Night—replacing the traditional Irish Pub—where students found games, contests, and fun to fill their time with. Coffee Houses allowed comedians and musicians to entertain the campus while students relaxed and enjoyed. Open Mic Night allowed students to take the stage, informally, to do whatever they pleased.

Other activities provided included performances by the Dance Company and the Theater. The Dance Company put together three performances for the campus. They debuted in the fall with their first full length ballet, *Giselle*.

An intimate Student Choreographer's Concert took place with both audience and dancers on the stage of Presbyterian Hall. Their performance during winter term highlighted pieces from the student show and provided other pieces for the campus to enjoy.

The Theater performed four times throughout the year. They opened with the controversial *God's Country*. In addition, students were provided with opportunities to direct one act plays. Winter term brought the production of *The Rivals* and *Sight Unseen*.

Residence hall councils also provided students

"Sitting up on stage as Alan Berg was a frightening, yet invigorating experience."
-Scott Harman '99

with activities. Bikers and Booze, sponsored by Bruske Hall, educated and entertained both students and faculty. Both Newberry Hall and Bruske Hall sponsored Euchre Tournaments for students to compete in. Newberry Hall also sponsored educational activities such as self defense classes and a car care program. Newberry Hall and Mitchell Hall teamed up to provide an exciting halloween for community children. Newberry residents handed out candy while games and activities were provided in the lobby. Mitchell residents worked together to create a haunted house for the children to enjoy.

-Cindy Fiedler '99



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March

The flag corps leads the Kiltie Band to the football field for another game. The flag corps joined the band for all of their performances: parades, half-time during home football games, Parent's day, Homecoming, even the indoor marching concert.

ALternatives

The ACUB All Nighter hosted many activities: a velcro wall, crazy pictures, card games, movies, or making music videos. Songfest was held in Dunning Memorial Chapel. In the soloist category, Ben Cable '00 clenched first while Joe Johnston '97 took second. The small group category was won by Christine and Heather, with Don Hoffman and the 304's taking second. Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia won the large group category with Theta Chi and Nash taking second. (Right) Amy Czabla '00, Katie Zellen '00, Rachel Stafford '00, Sarah Amman '00, Amanda Burnett '00 and Karyll Groty '00 sing and dance to the song "Summer Nights" at the All Nighter. (Below) Heidi Borek '98 clings to the velcro wall.



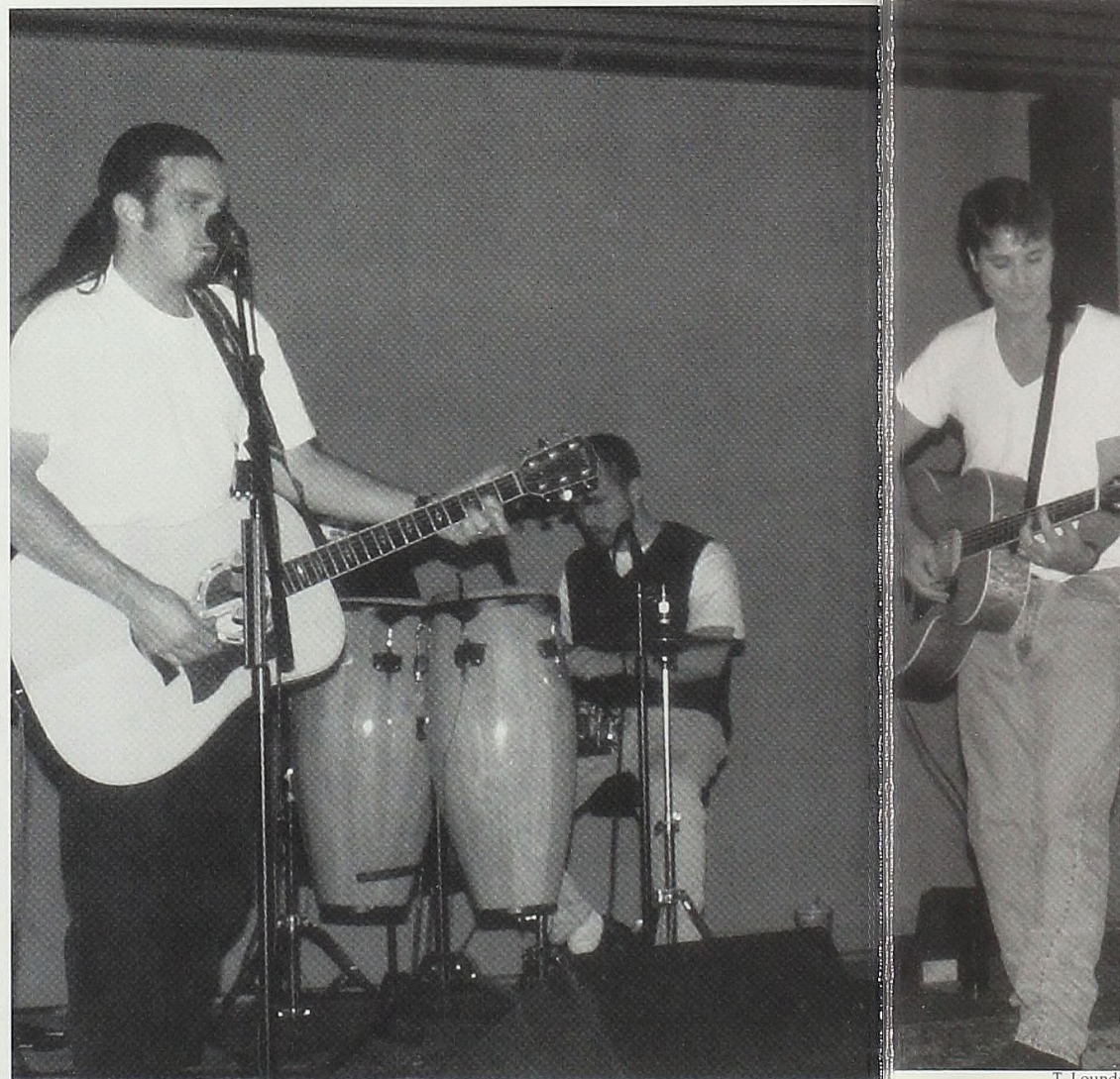
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Entertainment

The duo Carnutte and Maher performed in Jones Auditorium at one of the coffee houses sponsored by ACUB (Alma College Union Board). The two used acoustic guitars and drums to make their music, which was enjoyed by all who attended. They had a unique sound that was appealing to the entire audience.



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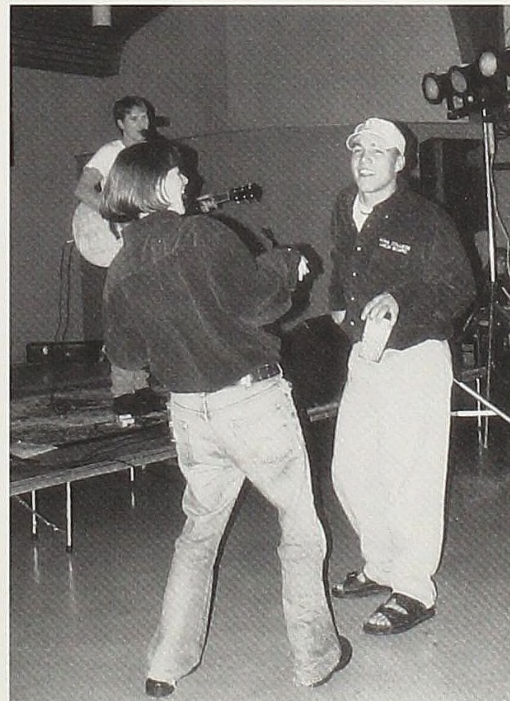
"ACUB is a fun job to have. You get to work at fun events!"
-Derek Veale '97

Performances

ACUB hosted several movie nights and coffee houses throughout fall term. The movie nights allowed students to see movies for free on the big screen. Coffee houses gave students a chance to get together and unwind while being entertained. Talent, ranging from music groups to magicians to speakers, performed for ACUB. The students not only enjoyed the great talent, but also the atmosphere. Some events were held in Joe's Place, while some of the larger events took place in Jones Auditorium. (Top Left) Dan Baker, an Alma College Alum, entertained students with his magic show. (Below Left) ACUB members Kathy Taylor '97 and Chris Ahn '98 dance the night away to the music of Carnutte and Maher. (Below Right) Ryan Kidd '97 volunteers to help Dan Baker with his show.
-Kathi Svenson '00



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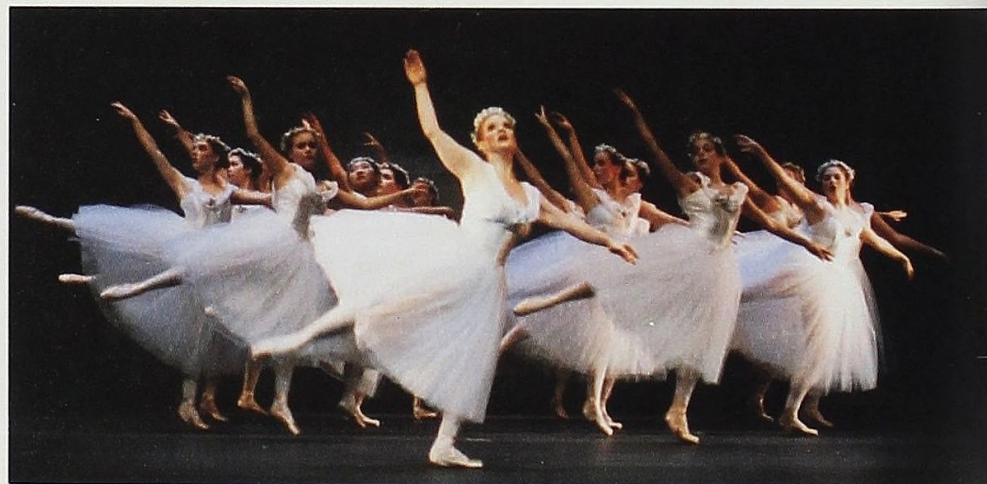


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Action

"I never realized watching people dance could be that interesting."
-Lenore Giannunzio '99

Caught
Robb Thompson '97, Joe Johnston '97, and Brian Papendick '98 stand trial for the assassination of a radio celebrity in "God's Country." The play switched from scene to scene to allow the audience to view different perspectives.



DIVERSITY
"Giselle" was the story of a peasant girl who fell in love with a prince posing as a peasant. Although he loved her, too, he was promised to another of his own social standing. When his true identity was revealed, Giselle was devastated and died of a broken heart.

Giselle was then expected to join the "wilis." The wilis were the spirits of girls who had died of broken hearts. They took revenge on men who came into the forest during the night by forcing them to dance to their deaths. (Middle Right) Cloggers, Holly Cyrus '98, Michelle Murphy '97, Jennifer Middleton '97, and Denise Vernon '97, entertain the villagers and the visiting royalty.

"Giselle," performed by the Dance Company, brought in a variety of guest performers, providing an opportunity for the campus to experience performances by professional dancers. The Dance Company kept up with these performers: they formed the chorus and portrayed a variety of characters. (Below Right) The Dance Company performs the dance of the wilis lead by guest performer, Stephanie Braly-Kelsey. Other guest performers included faculty members, allowing students to see instructors in a new role.

Guest Performers:

- Karen Scalzitti
- Erlends Zieminch
- Thomas Morris
- Carol Fike
- Douglas Scripps
- Stephanie Braly-Kelsey
- Shayne Dutkiewicz
- Attila Mosolygo



CONTROVERSY
Joe Johnston '97 initiates Andy Schmitz '99 and Alex Gierhart '97 in the theater's production of "God's Country." This Steven Dietz play brought mixed feelings to the campus, raising issues of racism and prejudices. The play, based on actual events, focused on white supremacy in America and included the assassination of Alan Berg (played by Scott Harman '99), a controversial Denver talk show host. The production of "God's Country" was complemented by guest speakers dealing with similar issues.

- Cindy Fiedler '99

The Company of "God's Country"

Joe Johnston	Robb Thompson
Quintessa Duffield	Matthew Singletary
Scott Harman	Matthew Bradley
Jennifer MacKillop	Andrew Schmitz
Alexander Gierhart	Hallie Bard
Elizabeth Bullmer	Pete Johnston
Brian Papendick	

The Company of "Giselle"

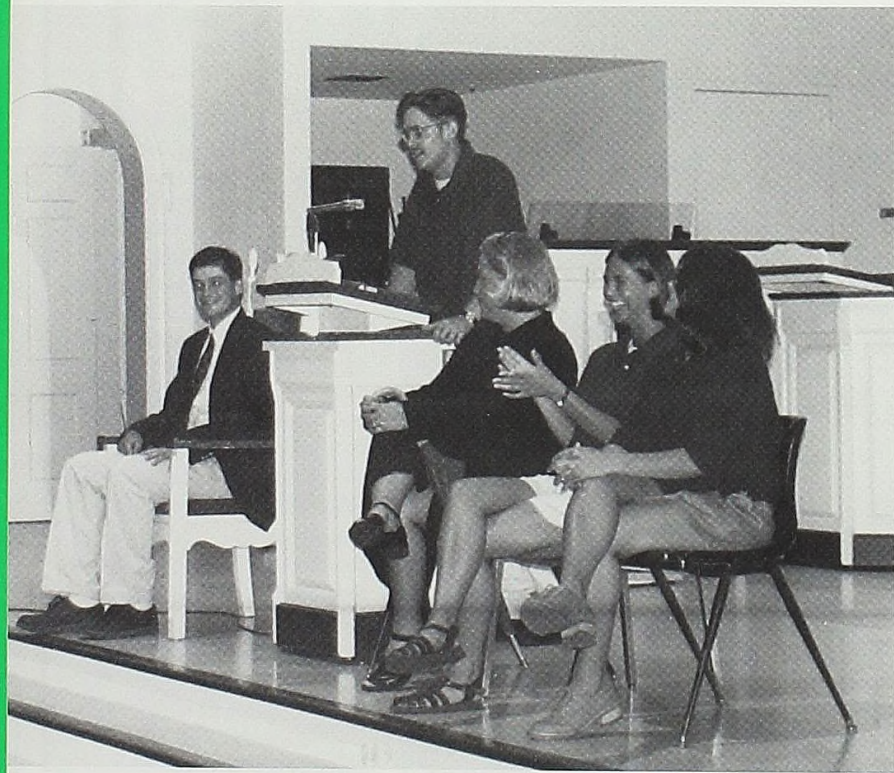
Deborah Choszczyk	Ryan Janis
Holly Cyrus	Deborah Draheim
Staci Hill	Brooke McCrory
Heather Klepper	Carey Rademacher
Jennifer Middleton	Kristen Schuler
Suzanne Vetrone	Mitchell Reynolds
Michelle Murphy	Jared Vibbert
Denise Vernon	Suzanne DuLong
Kelly Bannow	Suzanne Semanson
Melissa Crossnoe	Kara Aubin
Joy Engblade	Anastacia Clapper
Jaami McClellan	Kelly Martell
Amanda Scott	Christine Mayers
Joel Ritter	Jennifer McMann
Kevin Tunks	Carrine Miller
Matthew Wandrie	Nichole Rhodes
Steve Vance	Daiva Stonys
Laura Byam	Amanda Vogel
Elizabeth Esch	Sarah Webb
Scott Hill	Meredith Yost

Connections

"Pre-Term was a good chance to meet people and adjust to the new surroundings."
-Tanna Lounds '00

Alphabet Soup
Perhaps the highlight of Pre-Term was the Orientation Committee's production of Liberal Arts from A to Z. The OC members showcased their talents by acting out scenes for each letter of the alphabet; Bookstore policies, theater productions, the Medshed waiting room and Pizza Sam's were all a part of the show.

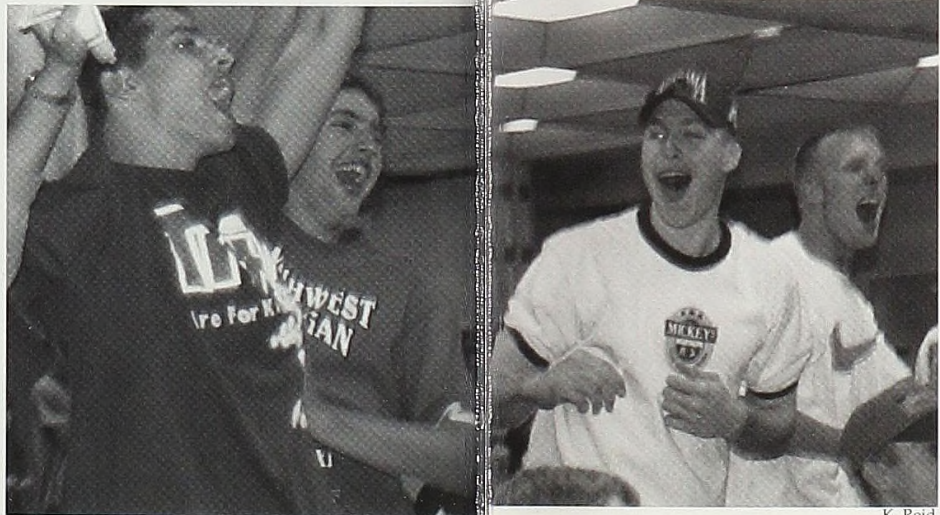
There was also a variety show for members of the class of 2000 to show off their talents. (Below) A stood for Alma College welcome: Don Light '97 played Dr. Stone, Troy Cox '99 was John Seveland, Lori Tulgestke '97 was Provost Brown, Monica Hoelt '97 and Michelle Murphy '97 played themselves to re-enact the first welcome extended to the class of 2000. (Right) Loren Baidas '97 and Alex Gierhart '97 do their best to show the fun of the Alma College Dance Company.



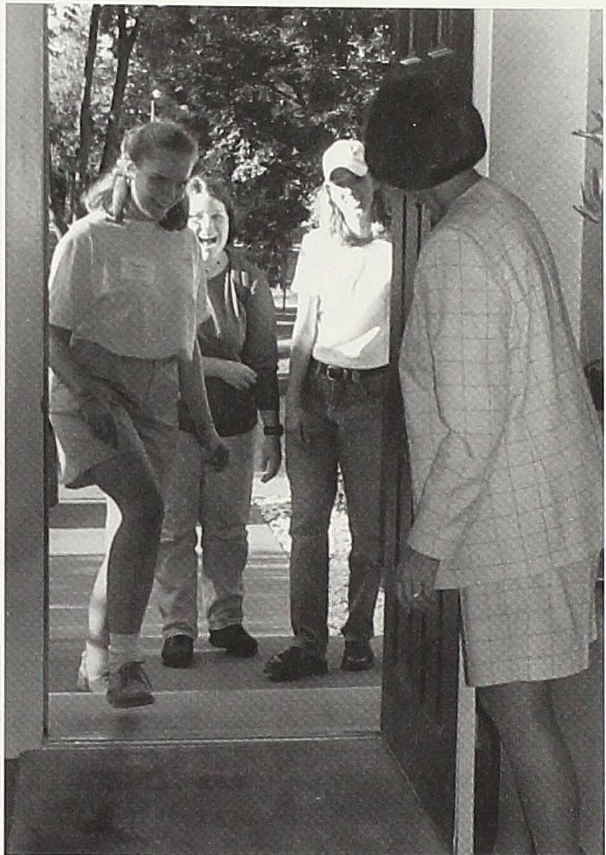
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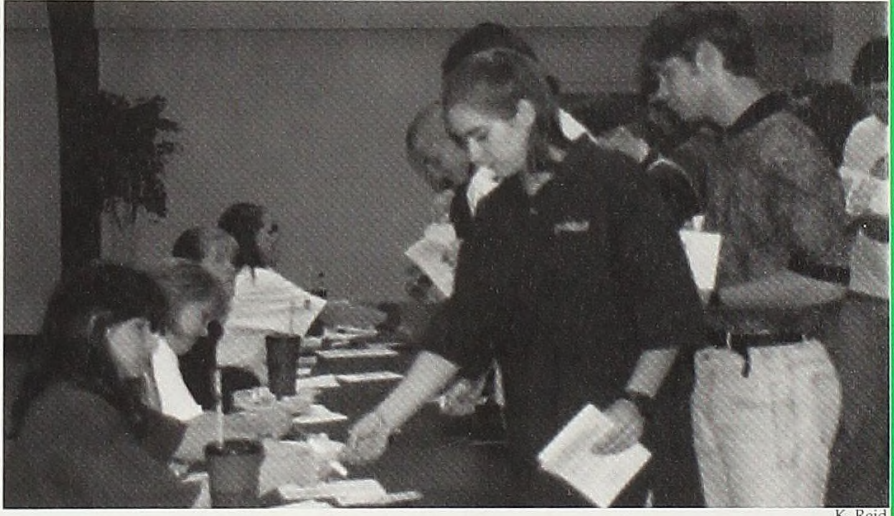
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A Night at the Races
Night at the Races gave students a chance to relax and have fun betting on pre-recorded horse races. Students were given fake money as they entered Van Dusen Commons and could walk to local businesses to collect money. After the races, an auction was held where students

could use their earnings to bid on prizes donated by local businesses. (Left) In hopes of winning more money, Annie Grover '00 puts a bet down on her favorite horse. (Above) Celebrating a win, Dave Hanley '00, Kelly Sivier '00, Jeremy Hyler '00, and Nathan Seiferlein '00 jump up with enthusiasm.
- Kathi Svenson '00

VISITING
Some of the first year students were able to visit President Stone and his wife at their home. All were invited, but the day that Newberry and Gelston residents were supposed to go, there were plumbing problems at the house. Since only Mitchell and Bruske residents were able to go during Pre-Term, the Stones invited all the first year students back on Halloween. (Left) Mrs. Stone invites Heather Hays '97, Angie Christoff '00, and Heather Grant '00 into her home.

Homecoming

"It was fun to watch all of the things in the parade."
-Chris Alexander '00

Spirit

Angie Thompson '97, Missy Crossnoe '99, Karen Jones '99, Amy Tcholakh '00, Stephanie Withey '97, Lori Tulgestke '97, Lonna Lutze '00, Martha Schaefer '99 and Amanda Shafer '99 lead the fans in a cheer. The cheerleaders did their best at each game to get the crowd excited. It was an even bigger task at the Homecoming game. Amy said, "the crowd was a little intimidating, but they were very excited about the game".



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Anticipation

Pre-game homecoming festivities began early in the day and continued right up until kickoff. The parade marched through town with highlights such as the Kiltie Marching Band, highland dancers, floats and some sororities and fraternities. (Right) Percussionists Mark Alderman '98, Dave Bartley '97, Erin Eames '98, Chris Stapels '98 and Martha Degen '99 march in the parade. The band also performed during halftime.



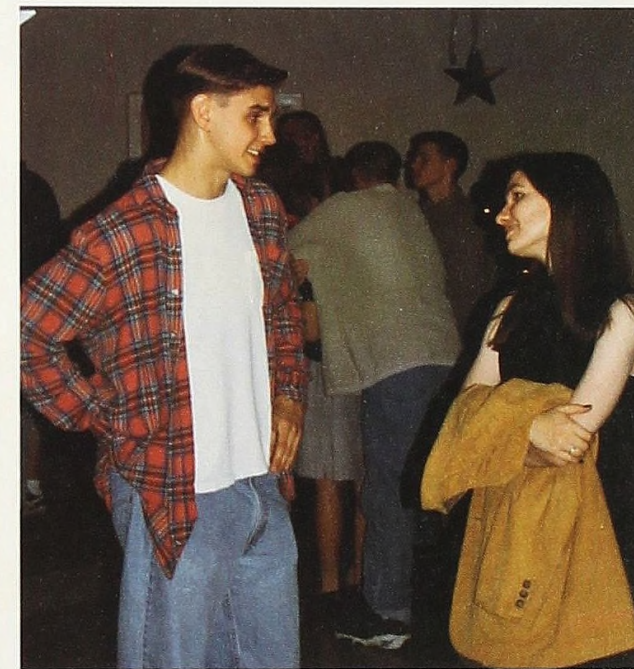
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Celebrating

Homecoming programs took place throughout the day. The parade and game filled the morning and afternoon. In the evening a dance, sponsored by the homecoming committee, gave students a chance to socialize and have fun. (Below) Dance go-ers Lisa Jasensky '00 and her guest, Justin Kipp, spent most of their time talking. (Left) The acapella group, "The Stains," including Phil Allmen '96, Scott Harman '99, Debbie MacDonald '97 and Marcus Evans '99, sang the national anthem to open the football game. Marcus followed with the Alma Mater.



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Support

The strong defense goes to work against the Defiance offense. "We always play with a little extra intensity during Homecoming because we're not only playing for ourselves, but also we are playing for everyone who ever put on a Scot's uniform," stated Mason Converse '98. The football team was successful at the Homecoming game. With over 3,000 alumni, parents and students in the stands, the team was victorious over Defiance by a score of 65-20.

-Kathi Svenson '00

Festivities

"Homecoming is exciting because it brings so many alumni back to campus."
-Melinda Towns '98



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Ding!
Kelly Bannow '99 and Matt Pohl '98 compete in "Name That Tune," one of the various activities that took place throughout the week. Other activities were also sponsored by the Homecoming Committee, including a movie shown in Jones Auditorium. In addition to activities, the class of 1997 participated in the election of the Homecoming Queen, Annie Delind '97.

Publicity

Preparing for Homecoming took months of planning, not only by the Homecoming Committee, but by various other groups as well. Choosing a theme took many sessions of brainstorming. (Below) Finally settling on "Cherished Ever," the committee went to work.

Other groups prepared for the festivities, including the College Republicans. (Right) Republican Presidential Candidate, Bob Dole (Brandon Marsee '98) walked in the parade with his "bodyguards" Chris Girard '97 and Tom Glegola '98.



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Welcome Back

President Alan Stone addresses the stands, nearly filled to capacity, prior to the football game. President Stone thanked the alumni and other guests for visiting the campus in honor of Homecoming. In addition, the Stains performed the National Anthem, followed by Marcus Evans '99 performing the Alma Mater. Marcus was followed by performances by bagpipers and highland dancers as well as the Kiltie Band.



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Tick, Tick, Tick, Tick...

The Kiltie Band parades proudly around the football field in preparation for their opening performance at the Homecoming game. The band played an intricate role in the Homecoming festivities: marching in the parade, marching to the football field, opening the football game, and performing during half-time.

-Cindy Fiedler '99



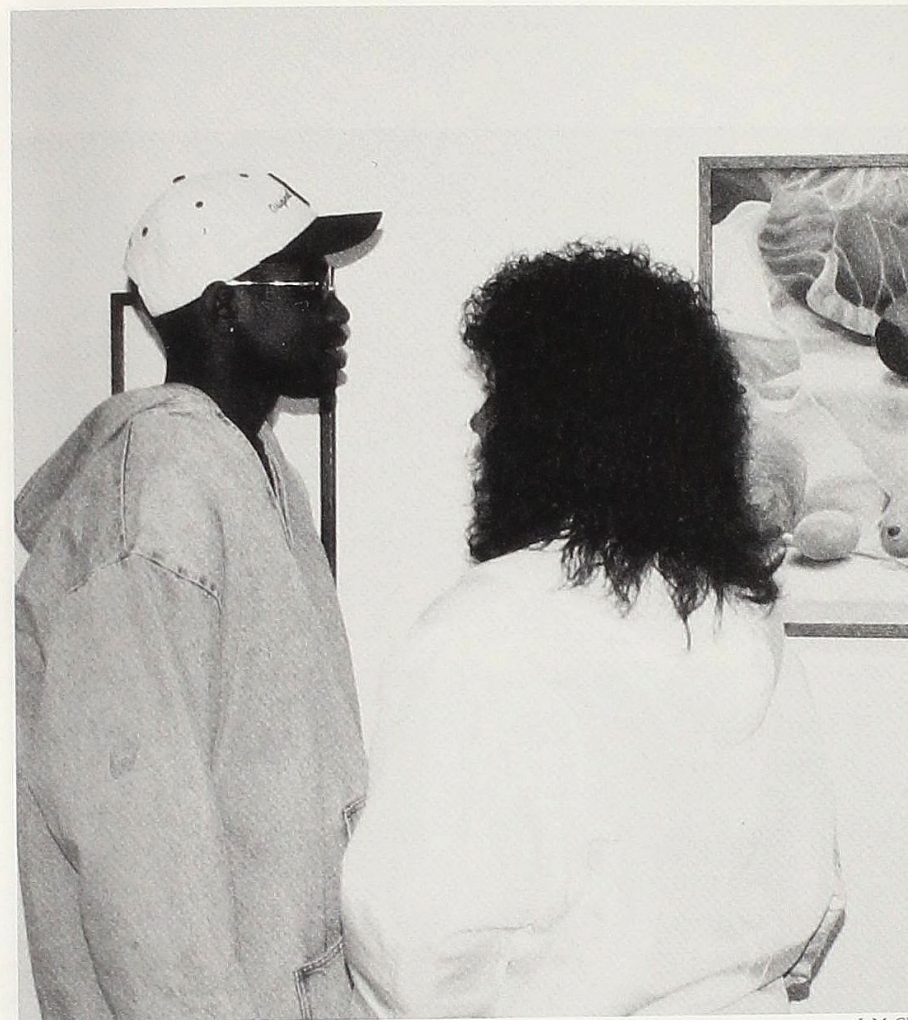
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Admiration

Joe Jezewski, Professor of Theatre and Dance, analyzes one of the products of the senior artists. Professors often took an interest in the accomplishments of their students, in other departments as well as in their own.

Creativity

"I have learned to take art seriously since I took my first art class here."
-Donald Sharp '97



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Interpretation

Donald Sharp '97 explains one of the student works on display. The Senior Art show was held in the Kirsch Gallery to allow the senior artists to display their work one last time. The show displayed a wide variety of artwork, from abstract paintings to sculptures, and everything in between.



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Assumption

Becky Johnston '00 and Emily Cameron '98 peruse the gallery and the artwork on display. Students often came in support of their peers, classmates, and friends.

-Cindy Fiedler '99

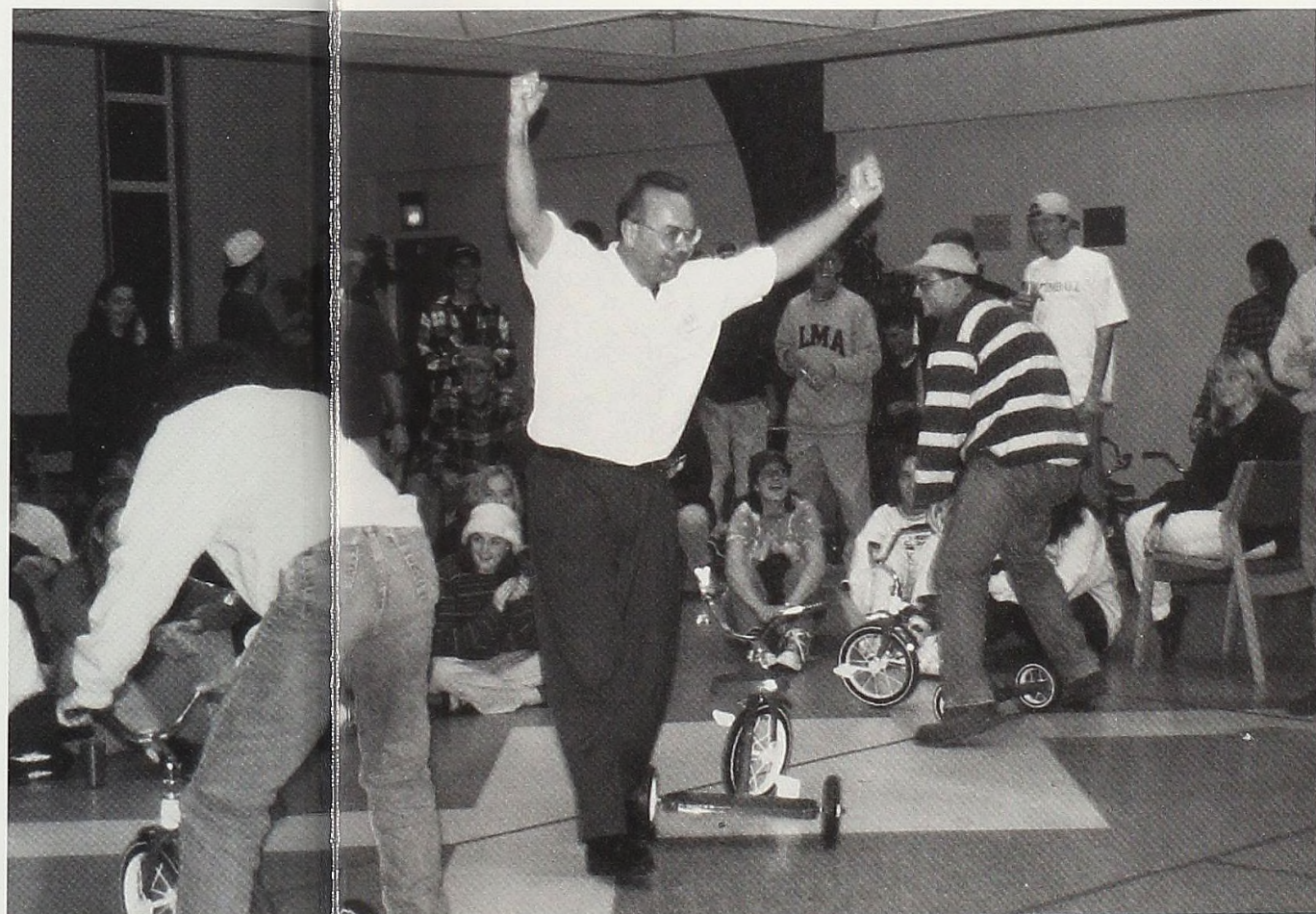
Events

"We are beginning to hold movie nights, as well as scheduling ping-pong tournaments."
-Scott Hill '00

Bikers and Booze
Mark Nazario, Director of Admissions, takes on the role of Master of Ceremonies during "Bikers and Booze." This event, sponsored by Bruske Hall, was just one of the many opportunities for students and faculty to participate in. The event was held during Alcohol Awareness Week to promote the education of students concerning drinking and driving. Mr. Nazario livened up the evening by dressing for the occasion.



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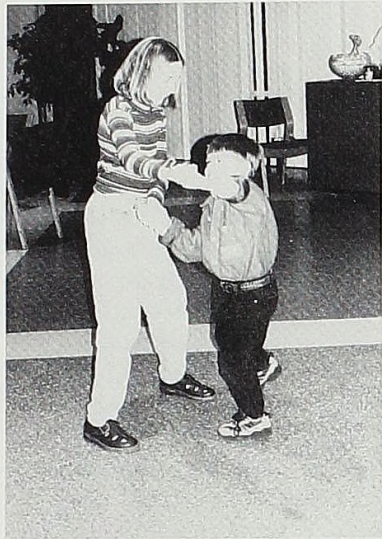
ARTISTIC Displays

The residents of Newberry Hall decorated their walls with a variety of images, such as the smurfs, found in second west. Each hall submitted designs to the hall council for approval by Physical Plant. Other Newberry sponsored events included Trick or Treating for the community children, a mitten tree to collect winter clothing for needy families, and a euchre tournament held in Hamilton Commons.



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Under the Influence
Mr. Mark Starkweather, Director of Food Services, cheers as he wins one of the tricycle races during "Bikers and Booze." The purpose of the event was to demonstrate the effects of alcohol on a person. Michigan state troopers regulated the alcohol intake of each of the participants. Each individual took a breathalyzer test to show how much alcohol was necessary before a person would be considered legally under the influence and incapable of operating a vehicle.
-Cindy Fiedler '99



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Students Of The Future

College was an experience, not only for those who attend, but also for the family they left behind. At this time in their lives students alternated from children to adults, eventually becoming one or the other. Part of approaching adulthood involved becoming a role model.

Most students had already begun to fill these shoes; Often they were examples for younger siblings or perhaps other children in their lives. Little Sibs Weekend offered students an opportunity to fill this role once again.

Children of all ages came to stay with students for a weekend filled with activities. (Above) Events included a Little Sibs Dance, where children socialized. (Above Right) Melanie Pietchak '99 enjoyed a dance with one of the guests.

Besides a dance, activities included a scavenger hunt, athletics, and games. (Right) Siblings visiting for the weekend enjoyed an exciting game of "Chutes and Ladders" during the game time held in VanDusen Commons.



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Generations

"There were a variety of activities planned for the kids during the weekend."
-Erin McMillen '99



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Students Of The Past

(Above) Danielle Sullivan '97 discusses a piece of student artwork on display with her parents. The display in the Kirsch Gallery was just one event for visitors to enjoy during Parents Day.

(Left) The day began with a welcome from the Kiltie Band and the flag corps on the Tyler-VanDusen lawn. Tents were set up for parents to relax and socialize. Throughout the day optional classes were offered for parents to utilize and obtain new information.

Some parents did not choose to participate in all scheduled activities. Many found this a wonderful excuse to visit their student(s). Many families attended the sports events during the day. During the football game parents were given a chance to stand proudly with their athlete.

Overall, Parents Day provided an opportunity for yet another generation to visit the campus and its students.

-Cindy Fiedler '99

Mock Rock

(Lower Left) Strutting their stuff, these fashionable Kappa Iota sisters entertained fellow students attending ACUB's annual Mock Rock. Taking first prize, they donated their winnings to the women's aid shelter. This event provided an opportunity for anyone to have their moment in the spotlight. It is here that those who wanted to display their talents took the stage and began to lip-sync. Students danced or acted out scenes to convey their messages through song and dance. (Lower Right) Dan Scripps '98 and Derek Boyer '98 performed a crowd pleasing number to "If I Had \$1,000,000" by the Barenaked Ladies.



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Casino Night

(Above Left) Jay Fiedler '98 enjoys another round of Blackjack, hoping the dealer will reveal the cards he is waiting for. Casino Night was new to the list of ACUB events. The evening was provided as a replacement for the traditional Irish Pub held in years past. The evening was a grand surprise for all who remembered the disappointment of the non-existent green beer at the last Irish Pub. (Above Right) Instead, other refreshments were provided for all who attended.

Relief

"It was great to support my [fraternity] brothers at Mock Rock."
-Kevin Cardoni '99

Socializing

Relaxing at Joe's was popular every night, but when the Alma College Union Board (ACUB) decided to sponsor performers, or other informal events, Joe's became standing room only. Because of this dilemma, events began to take place in VanDusen Commons and the courtyard doors were opened for easy access to and from Joe's. (Lower Left) Singers were just one form of entertainment provided by ACUB. Comedians and an open mic night were also popular with the students. (Lower Right) Julian Pike '99 and Elizabeth Esch '00 enjoyed the relaxed atmosphere of the coffeehouse.

-Cindy Fiedler '99



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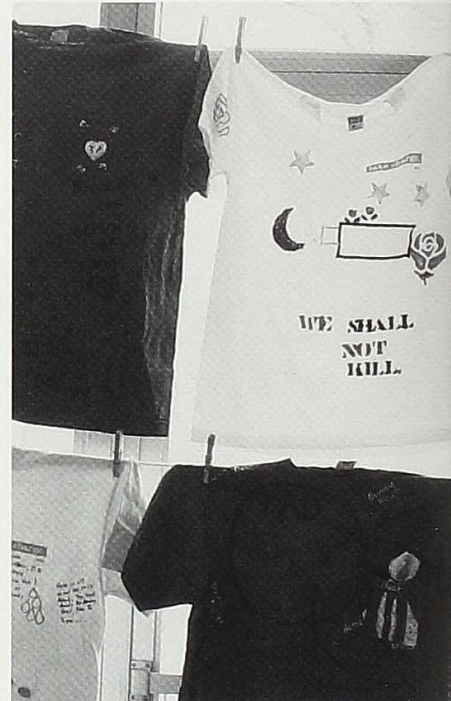
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Hospitality

While the Clothesline Project was on display in the lobby of the DOW Science building students were offered refreshments. The people from the project were attempting to make the atmosphere more comfortable despite the impact of the display. In addition to the shirts, a different sound was heard for each crime. The sounds represented how often the crime was occurring in the United States.



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Reality

"The display really touched on the horror that people live with everyday."
—Karl Wolf '99

Expression

The T-shirts were made by victims, friends of victims, and family of victims to symbolize the tragedy that had occurred. The color of the shirt represented the crime itself while the decoration told the more personal aspects of what they had suffered.



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Education

The display of the Clothesline Project was shocking, but educational to many students. For students who had dealt with crimes like rape and abuse, or knew someone who had—an adult, a child, a woman, a man—they could find reassurance that they were not alone. Overall, the effect of the display was overwhelming. The message rang clear that these crimes must be stopped.

—Cindy Fiedler '99

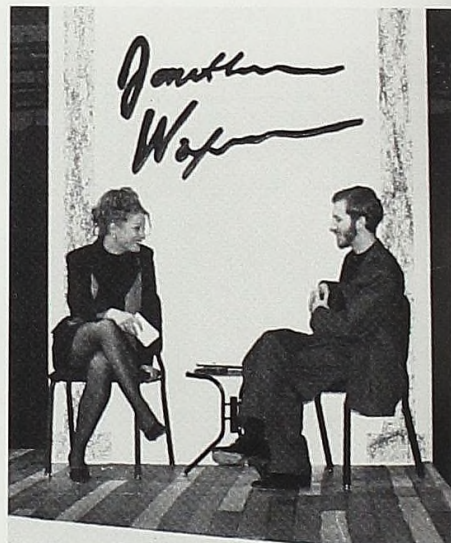
"Dance Company definitely creates a lot of stress and aggravation at times; however, show week is my absolutely most favorite week of the term: everything comes together—the performers, choreographers, and techies are in the Heritage Center for a straight week, practically living together. This week always reminds me how much I truly love performing."
 -Suzanne Semanson '99

Curtain

"Theater is exciting because everyone is watching you."
 -Kristi Stariha '00



B. Knust



B. Knust

Dialogue
 The Theater Company once again took the stage—but this time with a twist. *Sight Unseen* was unique, and beneficial, to several graduating members of the company. Their hard work, time, and effort resulted in departmental honors in their major. Graduating with honors was a wonderful achievement for the drama students.

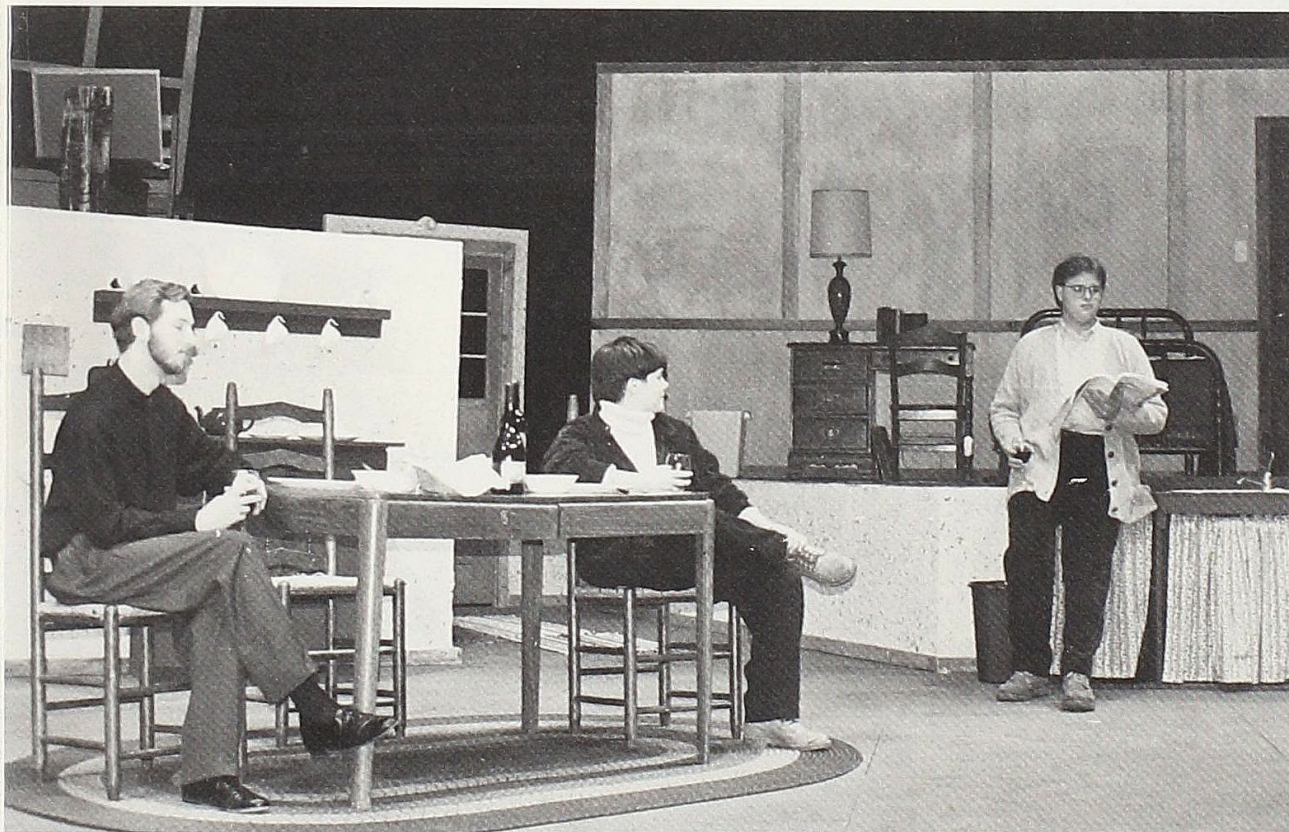
(Above Left) Beth Bullmer '97 and Mark Andrews '97 act out a scene they prepared for during the weeks of rehearsal that preceded opening night. (Above Right) Kristi Stariha '00 interviews Mark Andrews '97 during *Sight Unseen*.

-Cindy Fiedler '99



B. Knust

The Plot Thickens
 (Left) Brian Papendick '98 and Mark Andrews '97 discuss important issues in *Sight Unseen*. (Below) Mark Andrews '97, Beth Bullmer '97, and Brian Papendick '98 kept the attention of the audience throughout the play. As the theater company prepared for their performances, the dance company spent their time rehearsing in the studio. The variety of dances ranged from ballet to modern. In addition, several pieces from the student choreographers concert were also featured. "My intentions with my piece [Technical Energy] was to seize the audience's mood. My piece is anything but real; it can be strange and dream-like... and yet hopefully still entertaining," said Suzanne Semanson '99.



B. Knust

Outlet

Art and Design Chair Carrie Parks-Kirby and Jen Tripp '98 assemble pieces of artwork to create an artistic display outside the Clack Art Center.

The display was assembled on the patio adjacent to the Clack Art Center. The display was enclosed so as not to be disturbed by people outside of the building, but instead only accessible through the art building.

Students in every department took advantage of Spring Term to take the time for things they may not have been able to accomplish during the hustle and bustle of the Fall and Winter Terms.



J. McClain

Blooming

Although Spring Term was mostly rainy and cold, trees and plants could be found in full bloom, decorating the campus with their beauty. Students beat the rainy weather by involving themselves in indoor activities. When the sun had chased away the clouds, students took advantage of the weather by playing volleyball on Newberry Beach, rollerblading, bicycling, walking, playing softball, or relaxing in the sun.

-Cindy Fiedler '99



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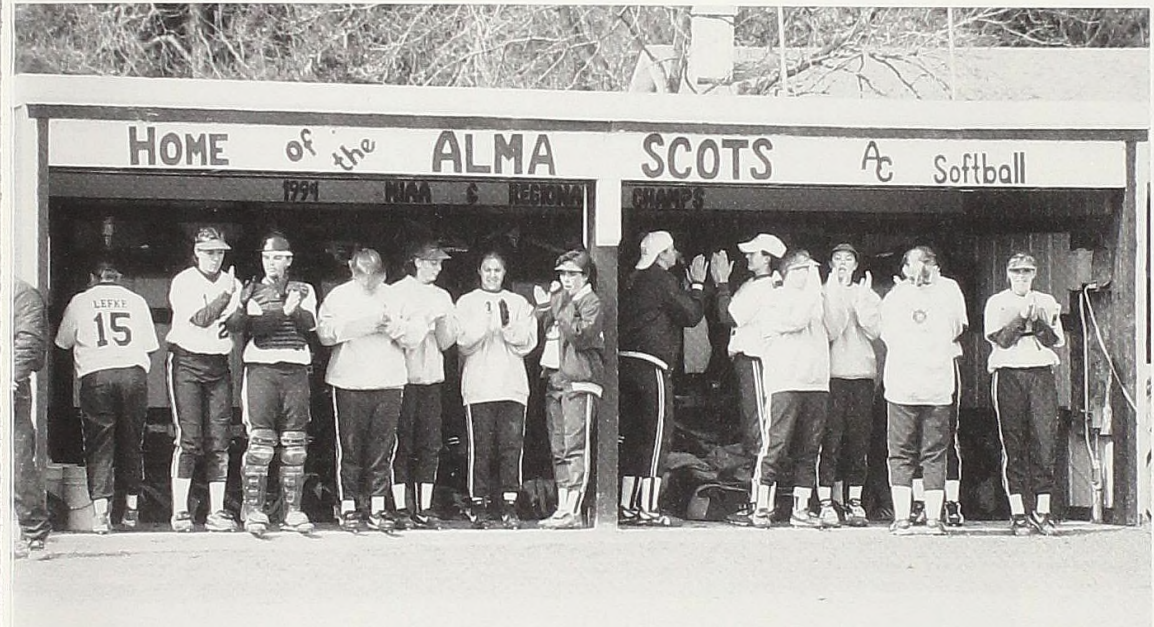
Teamwork

The girl's softball team gathers in the dugout during a competition. The spring sports teams braved the harsh weather and took advantage of the sunshine during the season. Spectators were also subject to the rainy weather, causing a decline in the number of people who came out to watch the game.

Intramural softball was also effected by the rainy weather, resulting in the cancellation of games. Due to poor organization, several teams decided to drop out of the league.

"I enjoy having the extra time to hang out with my friends and do things I didn't have time for during the rest of the year."

-Liz Jones '00



T. Lounds

Exceptions

"Scotland was an incredible once in a lifetime experience."

-Jenny Dunham '99

Organizations

Relax

Julie Tolles '00 crashes for a while during a MEGA All Night Party. MEGA sponsored a variety of events for members to participate in.



D. Stoddard

Organizations played an important part in the lives of students. Some were searching for their new leader, while others were learning how the organization was going to change or stay the same. The three communication organizations—*Almanian*, *Scot*, *WQAC*—completed their staffs and began another year of hard work.

Musicians were also preparing for another successful year ahead. The *Kiltie Band* did not waste any time before taking the field for practice. The *Jazz Band*, *Percussion Ensemble*, and the *Symphony Orchestra* scheduled rehearsals and prepared for their seasonal recitals. *Choir* and *Glee Clubs* also rehearsed for on and off campus performances.

Student Congress

scheduled meetings and provided leadership for the campus organizations while class officers brainstormed possibilities for getting their classmates involved. The *College Democrats* and *Republicans* worked furiously as they prepared for the approaching November election.

MEGA began to bring together mentors and mentees as the year got underway. T-shirts, picnics, scavenger hunts, and icebreaking games kicked off the festivities.

BACCHUS focused on the education of the students on the alternatives to

alcohol. The group worked hard to communicate with other groups like theirs outside of the campus to bring new ideas and alternatives to their peers.

Resident Assistants provided support and answers to their residents. They organized activities, conducted meetings, enforced rules, and provided a listening ear. The *Orientation Committee* did all this and more for the first-year students during their first week on campus.

Ambassadors recruited the class of 2001, offering tours or a place to stay during the visits to campus. Diversity was enhanced by



J. McClain

Soul

"1,000 Portraits" performed in Jones Auditorium. This Christian Rock band was sponsored by Chi Alpha, but open to the entire campus.

the *United Coalition of Students*, the *Association for Intercultural Understanding*, the *Women's Issues Advisory Board*, and *Alma Pride*, each representing a cross-section of the campus community.

Other groups reached out beyond the edge of campus. *Students Offering Service* offered information on community volunteer work. *Students United for Nature* worked to save the environment. *Chi Alpha* and the *Chapel Committee* offered religious opportunities.

Over all, the campus was filled with organizations for everyone. Some were newly established, while others were as old as the college itself.

-Cindy Fiedler '99

"BACCHUS let's me have fun while I provide a service to my peers."

-Jenny Souva '99

Scot Staff

Front: Lenore Giannunzio, Shonda Brown, Cindy Fiedler, Beth Richnak; Jen McClain, Carrie Kaminski, Amanda Burnett, Barb Knust, Eryn Hart, Kathi Svenson, Alison Lukowski; Danielle Stoddard, Sarah Green, Rebecca Raus, Carrie Rau, Kisha Reid; Erin Merriman, Laura Gornicki, Elvira, Stacie Fishell, Tanna Lounds, Joey Martin; Alise Leonard and Sara Basler. Not pictured: Melanie Terrian, Atul Patel, Heather Hillier and Julie Tolles.

Making Connections

Almanian Co-Editor-in-Chief Beth Knapp '98 makes a few calls to staff members to check up on their work. She was one of the staff members that traveled to the Florida conferences. "It is great that we have the chance to work in a new environment," said Beth.



J. McClain



M. Terrian



J. McClain

Discussing the Plan

Kisha Reid '97 and Shonda Brown '00 discuss methods of proper photo taking. Kisha was one of six photographers who were the eyes of the yearbook. These dedicated people were often asked at the very last minute to trudge across campus to get a few shots of anything requested of them.

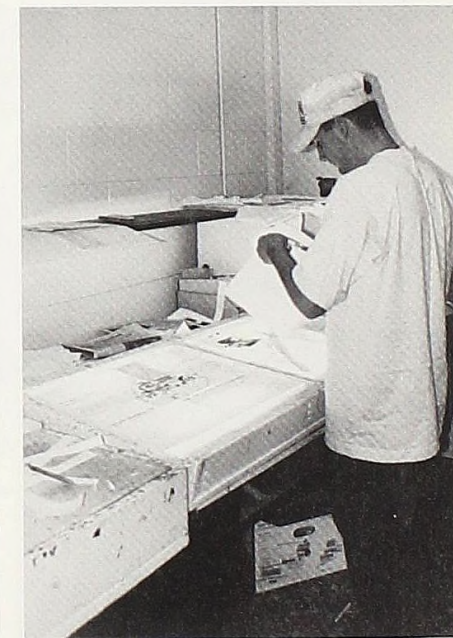
"I think that it is important that we [Almanian staff] go to this conference so that we can have our paper critiqued. It is important to get outside opinions on our work and to learn about things that we wouldn't otherwise learn here on campus."
--Jennifer Cornell '98"



J. McClain

Fine Tuning

Darkroom Editor Rebecca Raus '99 carefully focuses with the enlarger on a negative to prepare and make necessary adjustments in order to print.



M. Terrian

SCRIBBLING

Keeping the campus informed

Cries of anger were heard throughout the campus during the first few months of the year. "Where are the Pig Books?" echoed students. Days turned into weeks. Weeks turned into months. Then there was hushed silence and growing applause as students finally held their long awaited Pig Books on November 15.

After the long and exhausting fiasco, things calmed down a bit. The staff settled down to work on their pride and joy. New faces joined the staff and different ideas were introduced. One of these included a student-designed yearbook cover. The only glitch of the year, besides the Pig Book horror story, seemed to be the decision of a sweatshirt color. The stand-off was between orange and maroon. The staff, after detailed debates, decided on maroon. Like the years before, the Scot staff worked very hard to publish the yearbook. Lasting friendships were made and fun was had by all.

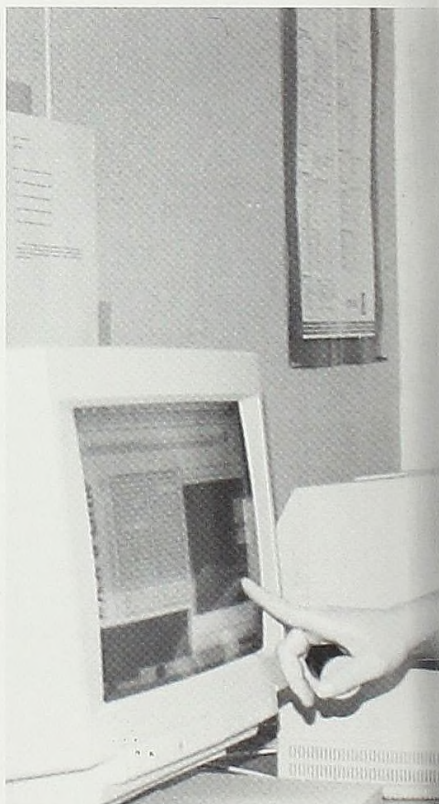
On the other side of the Newberry base-

ment the was another staff hard at work. Every week, the Almanian produced a twelve-page newspaper that covered different aspects of student life and provided reading material for dinner. One of the stories covered was the Pig Book holdup. Two different articles were written explaining the situation. This showed that there were many reasons why the Almanian staff was important: not only did they cover local happenings and future events, they cleared up situations for those who wanted to know what was going on.

In the past years, the Almanian staff had traveled to New York to attend conferences that would help to improve their paper. Instead of going northeast, the staff went to Florida this year to upgrade the paper and to gather new ideas.

Working on their own time was a job in itself, both the staffs, for yet another year, kept the campus informed and made some memories of their own in the process.

-Danielle Stoddard '00



J. McClain

Constructive Cutting

One of the two Almanian Graphic Editors, Brian Crum '99, cuts and pastes to layout a page. There were many aspects to creating the newspaper. No matter how big or little a task might have seemed, it took much work and communication to make sure the paper was up to par.

Pointing the Way

Scot Editor-In-Chief Cindy Fiedler '99 offers a few tips about setting up a page to Layout and Design Assistant Editor Joey Martin '99. "I love working on the computer. I think that by laying out these pages, I am creating a piece of history," said Joey.

PAYDAY

Money in their pocket

The money part of every job always seems to shine through. The WQAC staff began getting paid for the first time in history for their talent. Not knowing what to do with their new found money, the staff reveled over their wage of \$1 a show. "I think that its great that we get paid. Now we can put it towards our education," said Kevin Cardoni '99.

WQAC also added new shows to their roster: All 80s Music, Classic Rock, Heavy Metal, Jazz, S.C.O.T.S., Deep Groves, Quack Off!, The Avenue, Where's Your Bisquit?, Techno, and Industrial.

The staff was dedicated and spirited. They were not driven by the money, but instead by the urge to show a side of themselves that many may not otherwise have the opportunity to see. In a little room with hundreds of CDs and two mi-

crophones, a deejay could have more fun acting crazy and playing music than ever imaginable. The staff often said that a certain amount of respect was shown to them. "Being a deejay is a whole new experience. When you say you are a deejay, people look at you differently," said Terra Blanford '99 and Julie Beelman '99.

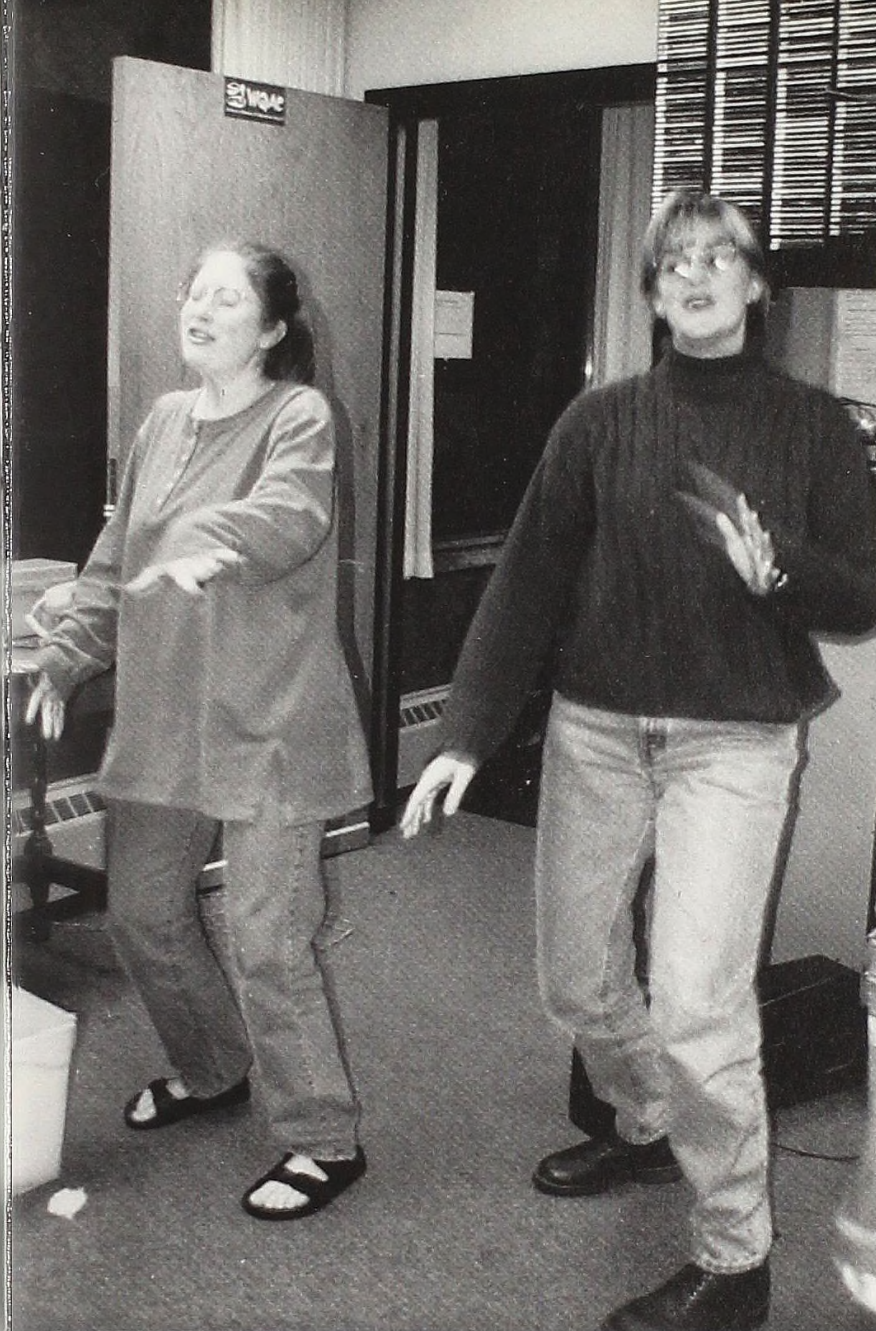
Along with the new changes and additions monthly WQAC meetings were implemented to make sure the staff stayed in touch with each other.

So, whether they were doing homework, cleaning the pizza stains off their carpet, or just relaxing, students made sure to tune their radios into 90.9 FM WQAC, "Alma's Home of Modern Rock".

-Danielle Stoddard '00

WQAC Staff

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| Allison Folts | Julie Wilson |
| Andrew Apps | Justin Modrzyński |
| Andy Goodman | Karen Steeno |
| Andy Schmitz | Kendra Seybert |
| Angela Gusse | Kevin Cardoni |
| Barb Knust | Kevin Stanbey |
| Bryan Brunelle | Kisha Reid |
| Eric Grace | Laura Ringle |
| John Henry | Lisa Wallace |
| Dana Reiske | Maggie Gorski |
| Daniel Scripps | Mailee Woods |
| Dave Bartley | Marc Alderman |
| Dave Gallinat | Matt Adams |
| Derek Boyer | Michele Peebles |
| Dina Slakovic | Mike McHugh |
| DJ Newsom | Mike Slater |
| Don Hoffman | Mike Staton |
| Drew Downs | Monica Keusch |
| Eric Didocha | Nate Woodhams |
| Galina Martin | Nicole Shumway |
| Geoff Guy | Pamela Rooyakker |
| George Wilson | Pete Muccio |
| James Hintz | Ryan Flesher |
| Jason Squires | Ryan Jambeau |
| Jeff Vaicunas | Ryan Janis |
| Jen Mitchell | Ryan Webb |
| Jennifer Cornell | Sakina Hill |
| Jeremiah Lee | Sara Fisher |
| Jeremy Higgins | Sarah Dempsey |
| Jim Coe | Shonda Brown |
| John Zielinski | Steve Nash |
| Joshua Lincoln | Terra Blanford |
| Julie Beelman | Trevor Francisco |
| Julie Tilli | Zach Shipstead |



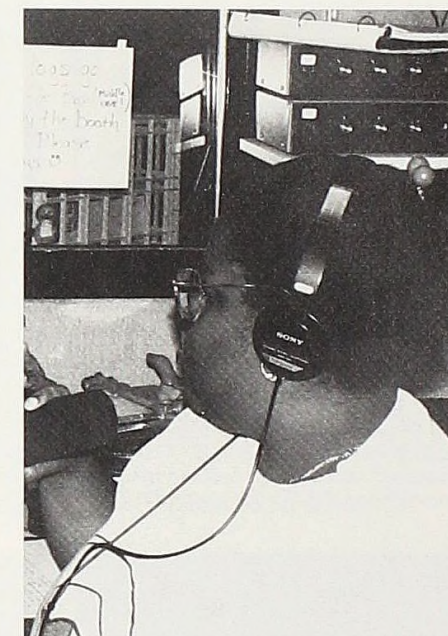
T. Lounds

Bust a Move

Terra Blanford '99 and Julie Beelman '99 provide not only music to their listeners, but dancing as well. The Avenue was aired every Tuesday night. It was a show of all kinds of music, from Madonna to the Grease Soundtrack. "Our show is filled with music that we like and we have fun. We try to play all kinds of music," they said.

The Song's Almost Over

General Manager Kisha Reid '97 waits for the end of the song she is playing during her show Dancehall. Not only was she the main one in charge, but she also took the time to play reggae every Friday night.



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WQAC Executive Board

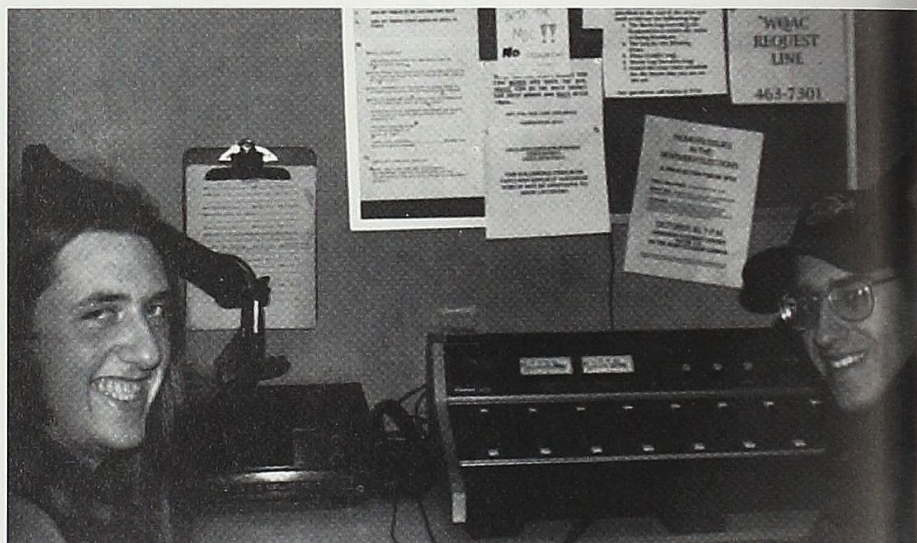
- General Manager: Kisha Reid
- Programming Director: Derek Boyer
- Music Directors: Jim Coe, Julie Wilson
- Engineering Director: Zach Shipstead
- Traffic Director: Galina Martin
- Business Director: Mike McHugh
- News Director: Pete Muccio
- Promotions Director: Ryan Flesher



K. Reid

Singing the Blues

Andy Goodman '98 grins as he plays a Mississippi John Hurt CD. Every Friday night for two hours his kind of music would be played: blues. "I like my blues show because it gives some variety to what usually gets played," said Andy. WQAC is known for having all kinds of shows providing all kinds of music. The only downfall to this is that the staff would have to bring their own music if what they needed wasn't in the studio already.



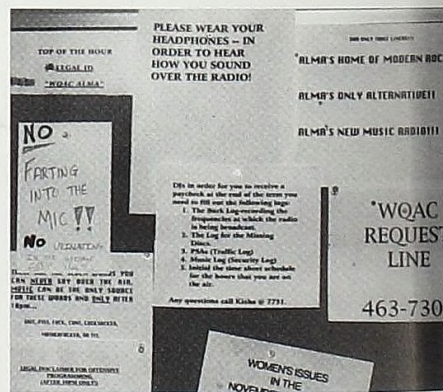
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Early Birds

Andrew Downs '99 and Kevin Cardoni '99 try to keep their eyes open during their morning show. The station took pride in the many new shows that were added to the roster. Although the Morning Show was not a new idea, one was organized and brought to the campus every weekday.

Obeying the Rules

Very important everyday rules are brought to the attention of WQAC workers. Not only was music played during many hours of the year, but the staff made sure to bring the news to everyone. The bulletin board held many stories during the year, from campus announcements to world events.



T. Lounds



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Spreading the Word

DJ Newsom '98 tells her listening audience what she just played and what is still to come. One of the new shows to WQAC was the Christian Light Rock show. The station became home to many new shows that played all kinds of music to please the campus song-lovers.

Kiltie Band Members

Director: Kevin Smith
Percussion Instructor: Bill Sommerfeldt

Marc Alderman	Shell Headley	Laura Ringle
Dana Alguire	Daniel Holme	Holly Roten
Cathleen Arnold	Adam Honeysett	Amy Sandberg
Rebecca Barclay	Michelle Hribar	Staci Schell
David Bartley	Hollie Hudson	Sara Schrader
Stacey Beyer	Daniel Johnston	Heather Schuur
Angela Bigham	Kristen Kaiser	Daniel Scripps
Derek Boyer	Sara Keinath	Allison Shaver
Heidi Bremer	Monica Keusch	Lisa Sherman
Melissa Brucker	Amanda Kever	Amy Sheteron
Megan Brunelle	Karin Konrad	Julie Shier
Thomas Burzyck	Kevin Kosch	Michael Slater
Jaime Campbell	Matthew Kunkle	Amanda Smith
Patrick Carmody	Joshua Lincoln	Sara Snow
Jennifer Cook	Alison Lukowski	Kevin Stanley
Mary Dahlberg	Jackson Martin	Christopher Staples
Amy Dailey	Michelle Massey	Michael Stoneback
Melissa Daniels	Heather McCallister	Kelly Straughen
Martha Degen	Andrea Melow	Andrew Tallman
Teresa Dunn	Justin Modrzyński	Julie Tilli
Erin Eames	Anne Murphy	Melinda Towns
Adrienne Fitzgerald	Brian Nielsen	Thomas Trepkowski
Jeffrey Fox	Kevin Nielsen	Rebecca Van Bruggen
John Garland	Kristine Noyes	Ricardo Villarreal
Sandra Garrett	Amy Pardee	Nicole Walsh
Christopher Gayer	Kristine Pintar	Roxanna Weisenbach
Nancy Gettel	Christina Pippin	Erica Whichello
Lenore Giannunzio	Jeffrey Potter	Sean Williams
Maggie Gorski	Jonathan Potter	Mailee Woods
Heidi Grantham	Janine Potts	Jennifer Wright
Karla Greening	Daniel Provost	Tracy Wyckoff
Amy Grimley	Kathleen Reed	John Zielinski



K. Smith

SAYING GOOD-BYE

The End of the Song

The other side of the campus provided a different world. The sound of music could be heard from every corner of the Eddy Music Building from a variety of groups. Two of these groups included the Kiltie Band and the Jazz Band.

Having over one hundred members, the Kiltie Band performed for thousands of people at the home football games and other concerts. Kiltied members braved the cold to play countless songs and perform on the field. Hours and hours of practice during cold afternoons went into the performances. After marching season was over, the members divided to form the Kiltie Concert Band and the Alma Winds.

During the annual banquet, the bomb was dropped: Music Director Kevin Smith and Percussion Instructor Bill Sommerfeldt would not be returning. After years of service, these music leaders were moving on. They would

be missed. "Bill Sommerfeldt and Kevin Smith let us have fun while still being strict," said John Zielinski '98. "They improved the quality of our band and made sure we got the work done. They were great leaders."

The Jazz Band performed at many different events. In the past, they played one or two songs from the well known Blues Brothers. For the first time, they devoted an entire concert to the Blues Brothers. In addition they participated in the Phi Mu Alpha Christmas Concert, and a High School Jazz Festival; schools from around the area performed.

One of the seniors who graduated reflected on his experience in the band and his love for the music. "Jazz is an experience from the past African influence," said Jackson Martin '97. "The message it conveys makes it the most complicated and emotional genre."

-Danielle Stoddard '00

Synchronized

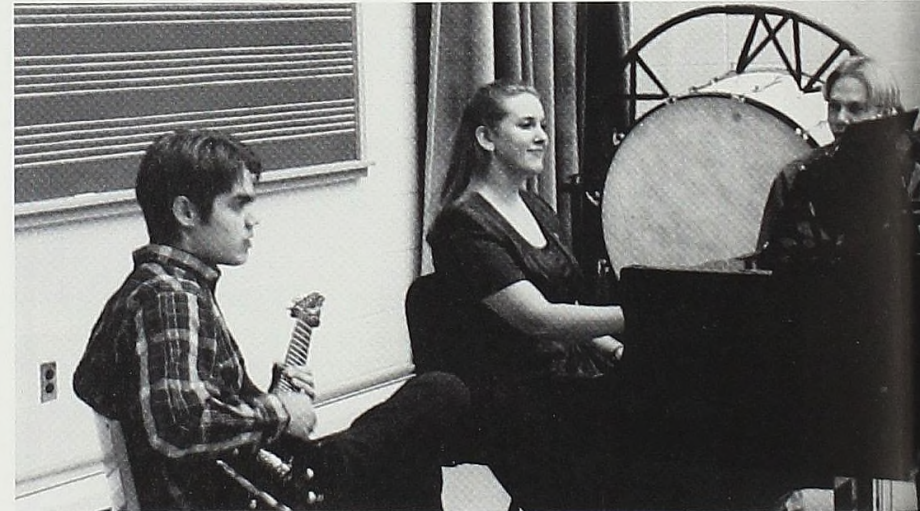
Adam Honeysett '97, Allison Shaver '00, Karla Greening '99, Christina Pippin '98 and Sean Williams '98 practice on the field, knowing there aren't many more nice days left. The Kiltie Band practiced on either the football field or a practice marching field by the soccer fields.



J. McClain

Strong arm muscles

Color guards, Heather Schuur '97 and Amy Sandberg '00, perform their routine with ease. On Parent's Day, the Kiltie Band played on the front lawn of Van Dusen for the many visitors throughout the day. The color guards could often be seen practicing outside the Eddy Music Center.



D. Stoddard

Before the concert

Brian Whitton '99, Christine Mayers '99 and Andrew Apps '99 take time to relax and go over their music before their Jazz Ensemble Christmas Concert. The concert, filled with Christmas songs and Big Band sounds, drew a crowd to the Heritage Center. The band only graduated two seniors, allowing them to feel secure about the upcoming year. "Next year we are looking forward to getting even better without taking a few steps back," said Marc Alderman '98.



K. Smith



D. Stoddard

Playing his own song

Kevin Nielson '00 takes time to make sure he knows his music before the Jazz Ensemble Christmas Concert. The concert featured combined vocal and instrumental renditions of the holiday music.

Jazz Band Members

Director: Don Metcalf

Saxophone:	Josh Wiggins
Anne Murphy	Ryan Cook
Corinne McCoy	Nicole Shumway
Christine Mayers	
Jackson Martin	Guitar:
Joanne Howd	Brian Whitton
Andrew Apps	
	Bass:
Trombone:	Joel Krautstrunk
Dan Scripps	Timm Johnson
Jeff Potter	
David Jordan	Piano:
Derek Boyer	Mike Slater
	Drums:
Trumpet:	Marc Alderman
Josh Lincoln	Brock Kramer
Kevin Nielsen	

Outdoor tunes

Michael Stoneback '00 knows takes time out from the rest of the band to practice on his own. On the field, indoors, or on a stoop outside the Eddie Music Building, the band put in an extra hour every day with Director Kevin Smith, and Percussion Instructor Bill Sommerfeldt. "They made marching and school spirit fun," said Michael.

Women's Glee Club

Elizabeth Anderlick	Tiffany Brown
Deborah Blackford	Rachel Carew
Teresa Brooks	Nicole Deja
Jennifer Brown	Jenny Dulz
Melissa Brucker	Allison Folts
Katherine Bunker	Meredith Gray
Angie Christoff	Tricia Hannig
Angela Clark	Neddine Hochstetler
Rebecca Cunningham	Sarah Hogan
Anne Galsterer	Bethany King
Saundra Garrett	Diana King
Ann Gibbs	Jennifer Knight
Heather Grant	Heather Koutz
Heather Hillier	Erin McMillen
Elizabeth Jones	Judith Mehney
Kelly Kirkum	Debbie Mott-Humphrey
Barbara Knust	Jennifer Mounts
Cheryl Lenard	Jennifer Nowaczck
Kate Lowry	Jennifer Nyman
Kelly Martell	Carrie Reid
Micaela Merryweather	Nicole Robson
Anne-Marie Nelson	Lori Romeyn
Laurel Peterson	Carrie Sadler
Jamie Raden	Amy Sandberg
Lindsay Robinson	Amy Sherd
Katie Rodgers	Julie Shier
Amanda Schafer	Danielle Stoddard
Bethany Simmons	Kristen Thomas
Sara Snow	Rebecca Van Bruggen
Alison Thayer	Allyson Van Veelen
Amalia VanderBeek	Jessica Williams
Erica Whichello	Jill Woehrmann
Amy Whitmore	Adrienne Worrell
April Wyon	Jenifer Zerba
Sarah Adair	

"We had a wonderful time in Florida. We were able to meet a lot of different people while enjoying the warm sunshine!"
-Carrie Reid '99



Evicted
The Dunning Memorial Chapel was home to the choir and the glee clubs throughout the year. Unfortunately, the vocalists were misplaced during the year while the chapel underwent renovations. The students were often confused about the location of their classes: the Eddy Music Building, Heritage Center for the Performing Arts, or even Jones Auditorium.

"I've enjoyed being in the choir. Dr. Nichols is incredible and makes it fun."
-Carrie Waltz '97

"I enjoy visiting churches and meeting Alma alum. They are so appreciative of our performances."
-John Zielinski '98



Choir

Jennifer Brown	Carrie Waltz
Katherine Bunker	Marcus Evans
Jennifer Cornell	Jared Falkowski
Jessica Evans	Brian Martin
Anne Galsterer	Joseph Martin
India Lovett	Nicholas Paul
Deborah Macdonald	Jacob Radke
Jamie Raden	Karl Wolf
Carrie Reid	John Zielinski
Lindsay Robinson	Jeff Chowning
Amanda Schafer	Karl Griggs
Alison Thayer	Scott Harman
Melinda Towns	Aaron Kerr
Amalia VanderBeek	Jorge Livingston
Angela Berle	Brian Nielsen
Mary Hess	Neal Palmreuter
Christine Mayers	Mark Petrocelli
Nicole Robson	Devin Ripmaster
Lori Romeyn	James Rizor
Amanda Scott	Matthew Robertson
Amy Sherd	Marc Stanley
Julie Shier	Curtis White
Valerie Simmons	



"Music is an incredible form of expression and by visiting so many churches we are spreading the messages of the pieces we are performing as well as allowing our audiences something they may never have experienced otherwise."
-Curtis White '97

Men's Glee Club

Bryan Brunelle	James Coe
Marcus Evans	Jonathan Cullen
Jared Falkowski	Eric Fitton
Dr. Scott Hill	Karl Griggs
Neil Hunt	Timothy Haist
Jeremiah Lee	Scott Harman
Brian Martin	Don Hoffman
Joseph Martin	Aaron Kerr
Nicholas Paul	Jorge Livingston
Jacob Radke	Josh Peterson
Michael Stoneback	Mark Petrocelli
Karl Wolf	Devin Ripmaster
John Zielinski	Daryl Showers
Eric Allen	Andrew Tallman
Joe Bogan	Curtis White
Ben Cable	

HARMONY

Teamwork creates opportunities

"The friends I've made, the places we've gone, and the people we've come into contact with make it all so worthwhile," said choir member Carrie Waltz '97. The choir traveled to various Michigan churches throughout the year. In addition, the dedicated members gave up their winter break to perform for churches in Florida. The students kept a tight, methodical schedule throughout the week until they had completed their final performance at Epcot Center. They were then rewarded with a two day visit to Disney World. "I think we sang in seven different languages this year alone: Hebrew, Serbian, German, Latin, Spanish, French..." continued Carrie. "There was such a variety in the music, too. It encompasses such a wide range of ethnic groups, different races and religions, and even different viewpoints." Choir and glee club director Dr. Will

Nichols prided himself on providing such diversity to his students as well as their audiences. His vocalists took great pride in their instructor and appreciated his efforts. "Dr. Nichols is a wonderful director. I can't even believe how far I have come since my first day in the Women's Glee Club three years ago. He has helped me, and everyone else, to become better readers of music and more flexible, more talented singers. He challenges us with some of the more difficult music, but is always available to help encourage us," explained Valerie Simmons '98. Dr. Nichols not only received gratitude for his efforts, but was also provided an opportunity to work with three groups of dedicated and energetic musicians. In return, the students acquired memories and experiences they will never forget.
-Cindy Fiedler '99

DEDICATION

Practice makes perfect

The orchestra filled its year with traditional concerts and new ideas. To start things out, they filled the Heritage Center with sounds of American composers. The orchestra highlighted the pieces of Bernstein, Gershwin and others. Their second concert consisted of Beethoven's 9th and a trumpet sonata. In February, love songs were played. These included "Regnava nel silenzio" from *Lucia di Lammermoor*, "Una voce poco fa" from *The Barber of Seville*, "Deh vieni, non tardar" from *The Marriage of Figaro*, and "Ah! Je veux vivre" from *Romeo and Juliet*. This concert also featured Diane Penning-Koperski, a soprano singer from Michigan. Mrs. Koperski held a Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Michigan and a Master of Music in voice performance from Western Michigan University.

The tables then were turned when the orchestra, for the first time, put on a comic opera: *The Merry Widow*. The orchestra occupied the pit, instead of the stage, for a new experience. Usually, the players are used to center stage.

In the spring, the orchestra held a concert for fifth graders. Students from Alma, St. Louis, Ithaca and other

elementaries from Gratiot county filed into the Heritage Center to appreciate music. The concert, which featured pieces from the year's concerts, was aimed at the students' interest for music. By offering the chance to see how fun it can be, they hoped students would want to participate in music.

Along with the orchestra, the Percussion Ensemble dedicated time and effort. Rehearsal time payed off when the Percussion Ensemble took the stage for their concerts of the year, one each term. With only seven years under their belt, they may have been fairly new, but proved to be very strong.

-Danielle Stoddard '00



D. Stoddard

Leaning into music

Mr. Douglass Scripps gets into the music as he directs his orchestra. The group put in plenty of hours to get every note correct. Sounds of music could be heard many nights as the orchestra prepared for their few, but extremely involved concerts.



D. Stoddard



D. Stoddard

Adding bass

Allison Shaver '00 and pre-college orchestra student Daniel Dunkel practice their part during rehearsal. The orchestra had a variety of dedicated players, including high school students and alumni. In fact, over one-third of its members were pre-college students.



D. Stoddard

Percussion Ensemble

David Zerbee, Dave Bartley '97, Kelly Cotter, Erin Eames '97, Mike Slater '00, Kevin Kosch '00, Christopher Stapels '98, Riccardo Villareal '99, Marc Alderman '98 and Timm Johnson '00.

Serious Violinists

Amy Hoffman '98, Anne DeLind '97 and Kyra Totten '00 play with assurance. "I have been playing the violin for 12 years now. I had never been in an orchestra before now, and I find it to be a good experience to be a part of," said Kyra.

Beautiful Music

Jessica Williams '00 expertly plays the cello. Jessica started playing when she was young, and still enjoys it. "I like to play in the orchestra because it offers a chance to experience a wonderful side to music," said Jessica.



D. Stoddard

Symphony Orchestra

Wei Tsun Chang	Jennifer Bade '98
Sara Pettee '98	Donna Thieme '99
Anne DeLind '97	Amy Hufferd '97
Kyra Totten '00	Melissa Desjarlais '00
Amy Hoffman '98	Daniel Johnston '98
Amanda Gambino '99	Adam Honeysett '97
Faith Chafee '96	Thomas Burzyck '97
Abbie White '98	Elaine Gooding '98
Emily Cameron '98	Erin Eames '98
Michele Pippin '97	Roxanna Weisenbach '00
Carrie Schuler '99	Michael Heyd '00
Jennifer Williamson '98	Paul Swaney '98
Andrew West '99	Maya Mackowiak '99
Lindsey Keegstra '99	Caleb Putnam '99
Sarah Keen '00	Matthew Babcock '98
Allyson Ham '99	Sarah Chambers '98
Sarah Heyd '98	Daniel Scripps '98
Caryn Hiltz '99	Jeffrey Potter '00
Amie Diechert '99	Kevin Kotzian '97
Jessica Williams '00	Marc Alderman '98
Kevin Cardoni '99	Martha Degen '99
Allison Shaver '00	Christine Pintar '98
Melissa Daniels '97	Riccardo Villareal '99
Lenore Giannunzio '99	

Student Congress Executive Board
 Treasurer Stacie Silk '97, President Matt Wandrie '98, Secretary Jennifer Tripp '98 and Vice President Ray Tessier '98.



J. Martin

A DEMANDING JOB

Facilitating Student Concerns

Student Congress was composed of four executive members and representatives from each of the many organizations they oversee. The number of organizations involved in Student Congress grew over ten percent during the year. With so many clubs, it was necessary to have some higher power to look over their agendas. However, according to President Matt Wandrie '98, it was the responsibility of Student Congress to only "facilitate student concerns."

These executives worked to improve Student Congress, and in doing so, developed new ideas. "People complain about being uninformed and they tend to listen to gossip," said Secretary Jennifer Tripp '98. In an effort to fix this problem, the concept of electronically mailing minutes to the students who wanted them was put into effect. The executive members also extended their office hours so

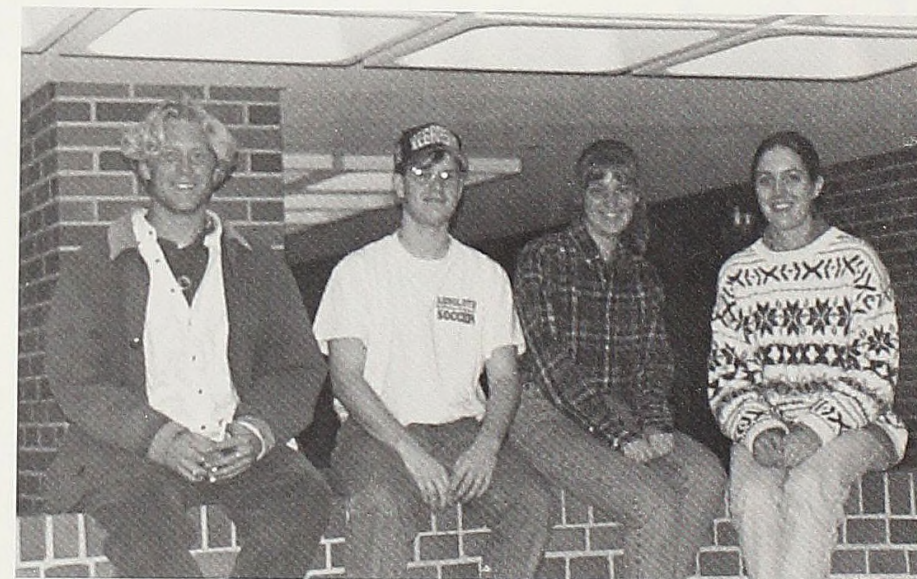
that they could be more available to the students or to anyone with concerns or questions.

One main project of the year was to update the Student Organization Handbook, which defined and explained the duties and expectancies of the Student Congress organizations. Many policies were out of date and had not been changed for many years.

Student Congress also held an open forum to address student concerns. Some topics discussed were the budgeting of the money, responsibilities of Student Congress, and some questions concerning Model UN.

The Class Officers were busy at work trying to get more students involved in activities. They put on deserts and other events to increase the number of things to do, and to offer a chance for everyone to be involved.

-Danielle Stoddard '00



C. Fiedler

Class of '00 Officers

President Kevin Main '00, Treasurer Kent LaCroix '00, Secretary Carrie Rau '00 and Vice President Carrie Swan '00.

“ Personally I think that Student Congress is doing a great job. There have been some new changes that have been well needed for years. There are still some glitches that have to be worked out between the representatives and the Executive Committee.

—Kevin Main '00”



E. Hart



J. McClain

Class of '98 Officers

Treasurer Jill Braun '98, President Brandon Marsee '98, and Secretary Kristi Didocha '98. The junior class sponsored the leadership banquet, an annual tradition for many years.

“ Student Congress certainly has been more active than in years past. However, their activities have actually hurt more than help the organizations they seek to represent.

—Dan Scripps '98”

Class of '99 Officers

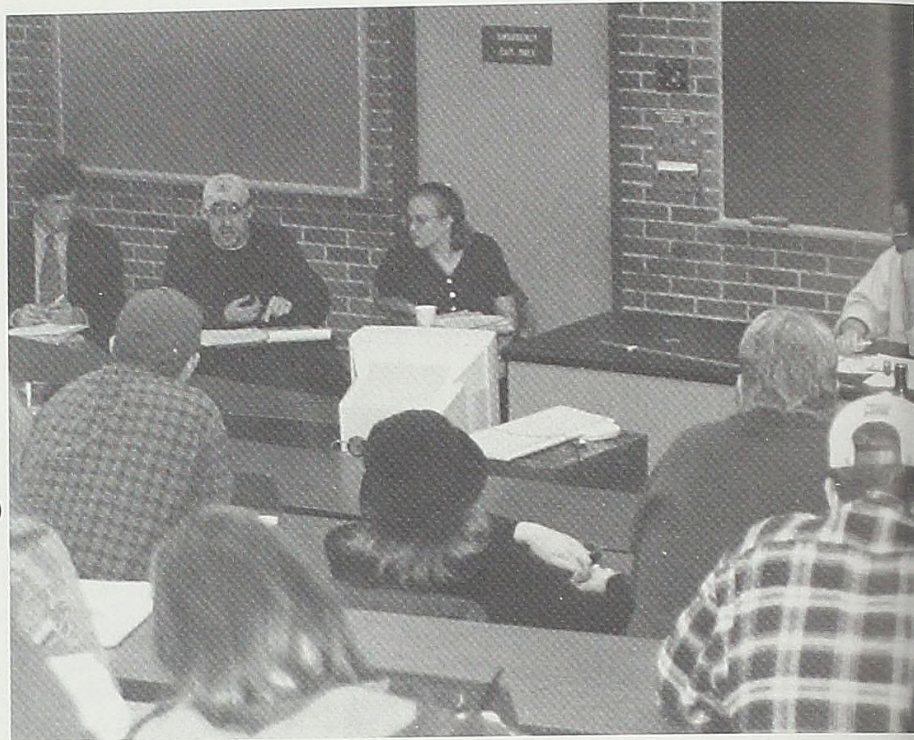
Vice President Martha Schaefer '99, President Amanda Schafer '99, Secretary Rebecca Myers '99, Associate Trustee Stacey Burdette '99 and Treasurer Elizabeth Feltner '99. The Sophomore Class officers sponsored deserts where speaker, Mr. Wasen, addressed the issue of sophomore 'slump'. He also offered advice on planning for the future, which included ideas for interviews, resumes, internships and gaining experience.



C. Rau

Hangin' Out

Kyle Kristin '00 and Kevin Main '00 eat cookies and drink hot chocolate after a cold night of singing. The First Year Class officers planned out a night of Christmas Caroling during the week of fall exams. They sang around the neighborhood near the college, and spent some time at John Seveland's house afterwards.



“Politics are important to college students because whether we realize it or not, it effects our daily lives.
-Shannon Casey '00”

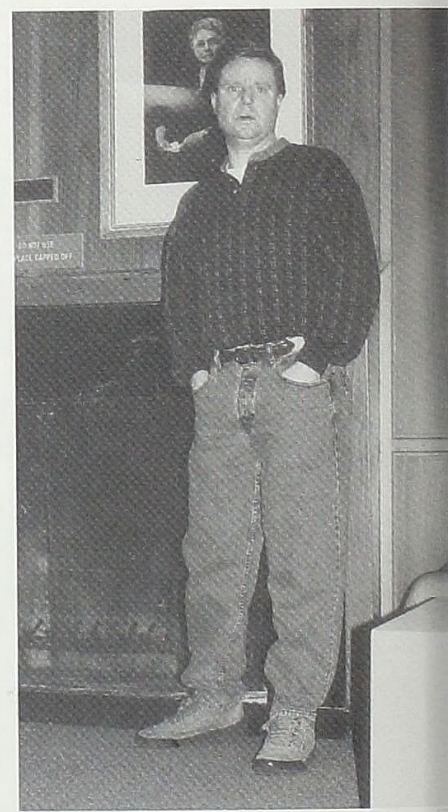
The SUN debate
The College Republicans and Alma Young Democrats gather to discuss the environment. Dan Scripps '98, Dave Rich '97 and Emily Lewis '99 spoke for the Democrats. Many issues were brought up, discussed, argued and not settled.

POLITICS

Voting makes a difference

The nervousness started way before November. The College Republicans and Alma Young Democrats faced off for the Presidential Election. In the end, with many smiles coming from the democrats, Bill Clinton kept his place in office. This was the main focus for the year, but not the only one.
Throughout the year, both sides held speakers, debates, and plenty of meetings. The goal of both groups was to educate students in the importance of politics, and its place in everyone's life.
The right to vote is often

neglected, and this can hurt severely. However, by the beginning of the school year, some students had not registered yet. Eager to do so before the election, they found the answer on the internet. An application, and information was available for anyone not yet registered for the 1996 election. These students did everything necessary, and waited. Their reply came in December, a little too late. There was a valuable lesson learned. Voting is important, and should not be taken lightly.
-Danielle Stoddard '00



Sharing ideas
Gratiot County Republican Chair Stewart McDonald speaks to the College Republicans about his position and responsibilities. He also stressed the importance of being involved in college politics.

TRADITIONS

The heart of the college

Alongside the Kiltie Band, but with their own identity, were the Highland Dancers. Besides marching in the Homecoming parade, and performing at football games with the bagpipes, these dancers also competed outside of the campus. Jennifer McMann '00, who had been dancing for many years, was one of the best dancers around.

She had plenty of awards and medals to prove it.
One of their main competitions took place during the Highland Festival held on campus.
This group proved to be a very important part of college life, and shows the true heritage of this college.
-Danielle Stoddard '00



Performing our heritage
Julie Wilson '98 and other Highland Dancers perform during a football game.



College Republicans
Cassie Stack '00, Lindsay Robinson '00, Kent LaCroix '00, Ryan Jambau '00
Tim Black '99, Stewart McDonald, David Vink '00, Shannon Casey '00, and Brandon Marsee '98.

Wheelbarrows O' Fun

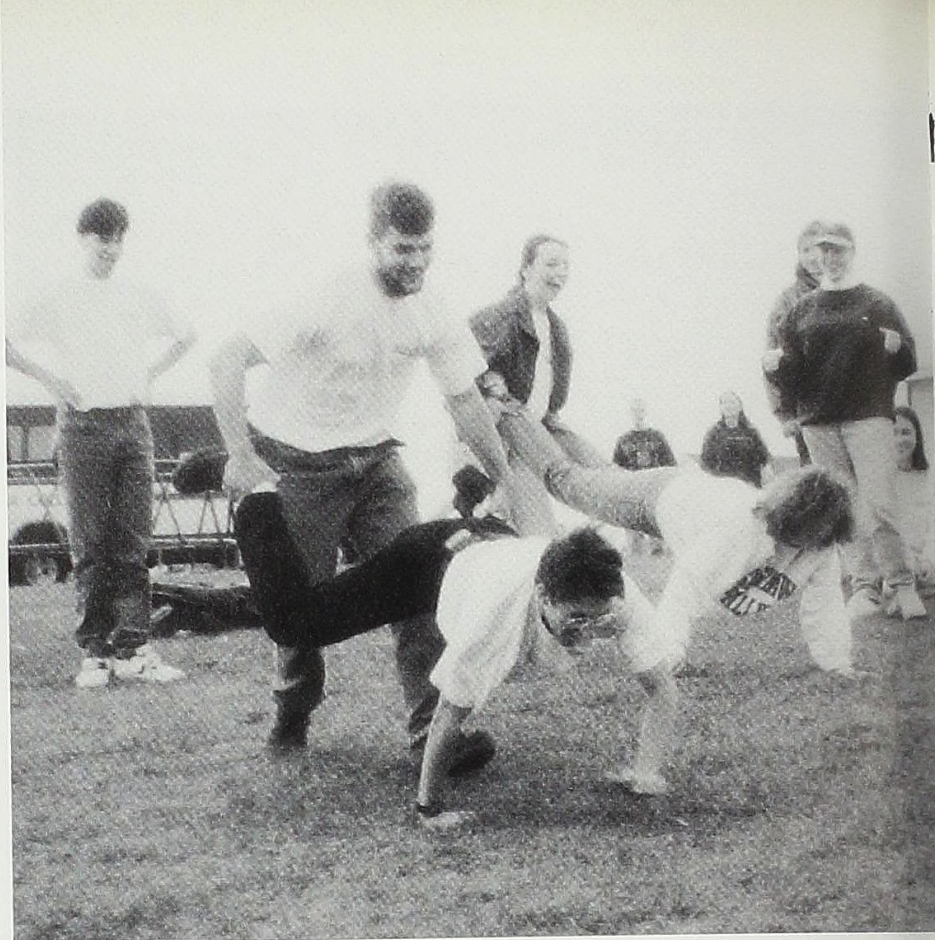
MEGA members entertain themselves at Uncle John's Cider Mill. "I think MEGA is special because it provides a link not just between mentor and mentee, but between all the members. This has led to some very beneficial friendships, innumerable memories and great experiences," said Joel Sanderson '99.

"You can't catch me!"

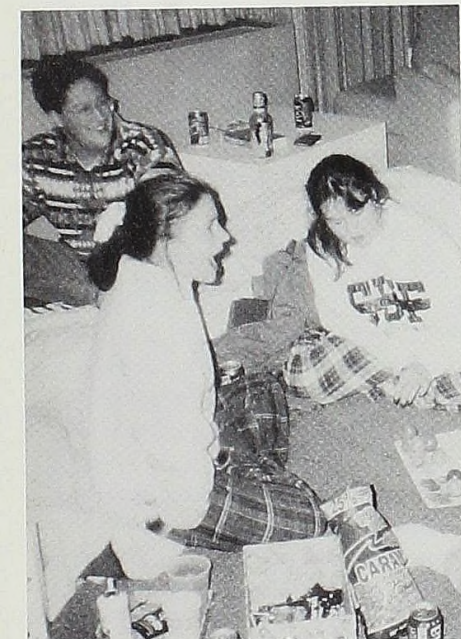
Kevin Cardoni '99 and Michelle Colville '98 fly past Amy Hoffman '98 and Justin Hamilton '96 during the canoe trip in the fall. "I think MEGA is a great program. It is very good for first year students because they are usually a little overwhelmed by college life at first," said Kevin.



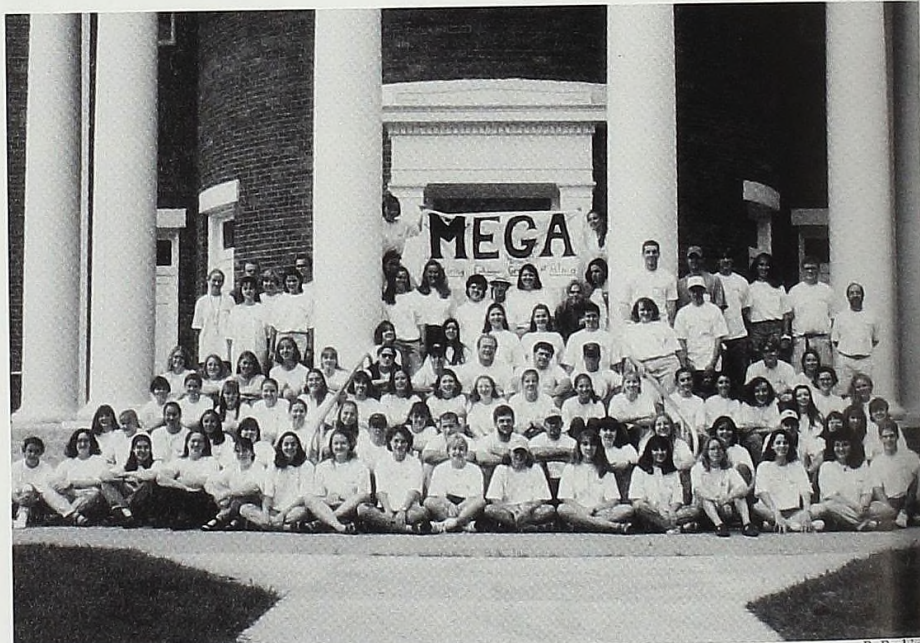
B. Perkins



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A. Goodman



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Left to right...just kidding!

MEGA members gather for a photo during the opening picnic. Although they filled the chapel steps, the group represented just over half of the members enrolled in the program. "It was through MEGA that I met all of my friends," said 1997-1998 coordinator Chris Washko '00.

"What time is it?!"

Jacob Radke '97, Julie Tolles '00 and Krista St. Andre '00 stay up 'til the wee hours of the morning during the all night party. "I think MEGA is a good program because my mentor walked with my roommate and I around campus telling us things that were not included in the original tours. I want to be a mentor next year so that I may help someone as my mentor helped me," said Krista.



B. Perkins

What a mess!

MEGA members gather in a unique way for the opening picnic. One of the ways for everyone to get to know one another were ice breakers. Ice breakers were used in most events as a way to 'force' everyone to get talking. Results were satisfying, despite the silliness of the game.

EXPANDING

Endless possibilities

During the summer before college, the pressure and nervousness was building. Last minute details crowded the hot August days: what to take, how scary would this be, were others feeling the same way? There was a little confusion when the postcard came in the mail; the name was recognizable, but visions of filling out that application were vague. MEGA (Mentoring Enhances Growth at Alma) started the school year out by sending out applications during the summer to all first year students, telling them about the program. All interested students, mentees, were paired up with their mentors and the fun began.

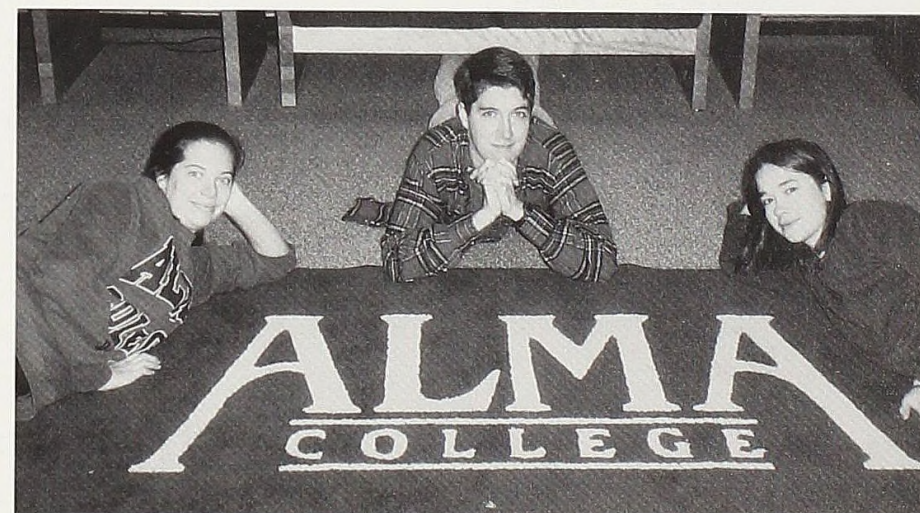
MEGA combined a first year student with an upperclassman, providing someone to spend time with and make the adjustment to college easier. Events were planned each month, many of them being off campus. Some of these included canoeing, a Meridian Mall trip, going to Uncle John's Cider Mill, a couple of all night parties, roller skating, and other adventures.

With the help of Dr. Bob Perkins from the Center for Student Development, and the dedication of

three coordinators—Andrew Goodman '98, Amy Hoffman '98 and Jill Oprea '97—MEGA was a huge success. The membership grew tremendously, and there were many plans for the following year. "Next year should be a lot of fun. We're going to try some different events like a camera road rally, Mardi Gras party, and a ski trip. We're even working on a mentor retreat during Pre-term. That way, mentors can come back, meet their match, and help them move in. Those matches who met during this year's Pre-term seemed to be the matches that worked out the best. We hope this will improve our 'matching success' by getting to the first year students when they need the most help," said Amy.

Coordinator Jill Oprea '97 graduated, and Chris Washko '00 was hired to take her place. "My advice to other members of the group would be to be involved; go to everything you can, even if your mentee can't go. Also don't be afraid to really bond with your mentee and spend a lot of time with them. MEGA is a wonderful program and I am glad I could be a part of it," said Jill.

—Danielle Stoddard '00



B. Perkins

MEGA Coordinators

Jill Oprea '97, Andy Goodman '98 and Amy Hoffman '98. "I think MEGA is a great way for first year students to become involved in campus activities, and to bridge the gap between them and other students. It also allows upperclassmen to share their social skills with a new member of the college environment," said Andy.

Racing to win

Lacrosse members scurry to get a hold of the ball. It was a seldom sight to see the players on a cleared field. The season started with the snow, and pretty much ended with it as well.



T. Lounds

LACROSSE

Adding new athletics

It started out with an idea, and grew into a phenomenon. The lacrosse team was born, and with a little help, gained popularity. John Zielinski '98 was the main contributor in this new campus sport. By putting together players, he was also able to contact teams from other schools.

Besides games, the team also held a tournament which featured three other schools.

Like any other new organization, the lacrosse team joined Student

Congress, and received funds to get started. Members were able to supply their own equipment, which made things easier. This also proved that the players wanted to play, and were out there for the love of the game.

There will be plenty more years for the lacrosse team. This was just the beginning. Perhaps other sports will follow, along with eager players just wanting a chance to participate.

Danielle Stoddard '00



T. Lounds

Another use for the football field...

Lacrosse members use their own equipment for the games. This showed their desire to play, and to join other schools with years of experience already.

AWARENESS

Information With a Purpose

Being informed was one of the best ways to stay afloat in society. With the plethora of organizations to choose from, it was difficult to be involved in all that interested the students. Two of these groups, BACCHUS (Boosting Alcohol Consciousness Concerning Undergraduate Students) and SOAR (Students Organized Against Rape), focused on educating the campus in different ways. The purpose of BACCHUS was to inform the people of the dangers of drunk driving. Some of their main projects included providing Mocktails to students at various events. These drinks, alternatives to alcohol, were provided to show how people can have a good time without alcohol. They were served at a variety of events, including the Homecoming Dance.

BACCHUS was not just for the problems of alcohol; it also dealt with other kinds of

addictions, including drugs. The members were educated so they could go out and effectively inform others of the problems of alcohol use and abuse.

In October, during Alcohol Awareness Week, there were different opportunities to learn more about this serious topic. These events included the candlelight service on the stairs of the Monteith Library. The wall held a poem about losing people you love to drunk driving. Students gathered here to try and understand how something that terrible could happen to someone they knew; people expressed their opinions or their stories. The mood was solemn; but there was a connection between the story tellers. "It was a coping mechanism and a sense of support for the college and community," said Chris Girard '97. "BACCHUS helps lend that support."

BACCHUS Members

- Rebecca Barclay '00
- Tim Black '99
- Christi Bush '98
- Angie Clark '99
- Rebecca Cunningham '00
- Jenny Dulz '00
- Kimberly Krajniak '98
- Melissa Marino '99
- Christy Miller '98
- Karyn Mroczkowski '97
- Jenni Olson '97
- Kathy Reed '97
- Jenny Souva '99
- Jen Wright '99

"I enjoy being in BACCHUS because I think it stands for something very important, and it is essential for the campus to learn about issues which pertain to their well being."
-Angie Clark '99"



K. Reid

Alternative drinking

BACCHUS members provide Mocktails at the Homecoming Dance. These non-alcoholic drinks were served at many activities to show students that alcohol is not needed to have fun.



Submitted

Spreading the word

Dr. Bob Perkins, Jenny Souva '99, Vince, Christi Miller '98, Kim Krajniak '98 and Larry gather around to tell everyone how important obeying the law is.

NOBODY'S HERO

It's not always easy

It's a scary change. You need somebody to look up to, but where do you turn? The Resident Assistants (RAs) and Orientation Committee (OCs) were trained to help not only first year students' worries, but any kind of problem that came about.

What was an RA? What did they do? How did you become one and the most important question: was it all fun and games?

An RA was assigned to a floor, or quad, and was supposed to make sure the rules were obeyed. They were not baby-sitters though. In order to become an RA they needed to first turn in an application. They went through several interviews. Then a letter was sent to those who were approved. A week before preterm these RAs packed up their things and trudged to the campus. They went through two weeks of training, conferences and just getting

settled. Sure, they got a big room. Sure, they got paid, but was it really that easy? It took much responsibility and dedication to be an RA. "It's not all fun and games. You have to want to do it for all the right reasons. It can be a very rewarding experience," said Laura Gilbo '97.

On the other side, being a member of the Orientation Committee (OC) was not always easy either. The job of being an OC was often taken for granted, considering that they only were recognized during pre-orientation and preterm week. The process of becoming one was similar to that of an RA. Applications went out after the beginning of winter term.

The OCs were superb. From homesickness to humiliation during the A to Z performance, they were available to give advice and time to all first year students.

-Danielle Stoddard '00

Meeting the President

Andrea Grover '00 and Dr. Stone chat in the kitchen. Another activity the OCs were in charge of was the visitation of the first year students to the President's house. Some first year students were in awe with the experience. "It was big and beautiful, but I was disappointed that the kitties were hiding underneath the bed," said Liz Siefert '00.

Orientation Committee

Co-Chair	Nicole Hamerink '98
Monica Hoelt '97	Holly Hammerle '99
Co-Chair	Heather Hays '97
Michelle Murphy '97	Anne Marie Hiltz '97
John Seveland	Don Light '97
Rachel Abbey '97	Cindy Miller '98
Matthew Allen '98	Kristine Pintar '98
Jennifer Bade '98	Curt Schubert '98
Loren Baidas '97	Amanda Scott '98
Troy Cox '99	Lora Tulgestke '97
Brian Crum '99	John Zielinski '98
Margaret Czachor '99	Janelle Zmierski '99
Keeley Donley '99	Preterm Coordinator
Alex Gierhart '97	Bill Arnold, Assistant
Megan Graham '97	Dean of Students



K. Reid

If only she knew...

Rachel Abbey '97 tries desperately to hold a straight face as Curt Schubert '98 and John Zielinski '98 demonstrate a unique version of kiltie dancing. During Preterm week, the OCs had the chance to "adopt" first year students and show them the ropes. When talking about her quad, Keeley Donley '99 said, "They're like my kids, you know? It was nice to meet people and be there for them."

"...and the winner is..."

Don Light '97, Loren Baidas '97, Brain Crum '99 and Alex Gierhart '97 are demonstrating their excitement as they perform "Q": Queen of the Scots Pageant. Perhaps one of the favorite activities put on by the committee was the famous "Liberal Arts From A to Z" performed in the Chapel during Pre-term. This provided an opportunity for OC members to exhibit a different side of their talents.



K. Reid

Thank goodness for glass...

A stare-off competition between the Fierce Rattler of Reptile Land in Alma's Tropical Fish Center Inc. and Kari Patchkowski '99 occurs during a trip to Reptile Land. For their floor or quad activities, many exciting adventures were planned by the RAs. Laura Gilbo '97 took her first floor Bruske quad to see the interesting animals of downtown Alma. "RAs are supposed to be there to support and encourage us. It is important that we bond and that there is trust between us in order to make it easier to go to them with our problems," said Kari.



D. Stoddard

K. Reid



Resident Assistants

Bruske Hall

Jamie Hickey-HD
James Alspaugh
Jennifer Mounts
Regina Kaufka
Sarah Chambers
Daniel Scripps
Elizabeth Schwalm
Laura Gilbo
Stewart Nasson
Eric Brands
Rebecca Leonard
Jason Bandlow
Alyson Ferriss

Gelston Hall

Martin Stack-HD
Galina Martin
Benjamin Hondorp
Derek Boyer
Molly Crawford
Renee DeGraaf
Steve Vance
Kevin Tunks
Suzanne Vetrone

Mitchell Hall

David Wagner-HD
Jerry Stassinopoulos
Jason Fischer
Micah Scharer
Jon Makela
Derek Zell
James Swan
Matt Wandrie
Andrew McClain
Nils Danielson
Christopher Tapley

Newberry Hall

Jennifer Klimkiewicz-HD
Alicia Sanchez
Amber Voorheis
Katherine Rodgers
Cathleen Arnold
Katherine Berry
Staci Hill
Michele Pippin
Julie Wilson
Laura Paetz
Holly Roten

South Complex

Rainy Inman-AHD
Ryan Kidd-AHD
Derrick Veale
Bill Sanders
Daiva Stonys
Jennifer Arnold
Christopher Deming
Luba Manko

“ I like being a student ambassador because I can give something back to Alma for the things it has given me.

-Kathy Kasprzyk '97”



T. Lounds

Student Ambassador Coordinators

- Michelle Murphy
- Amy Sherd
- Brian Zollweg

“ The Student Alumni Association is a great group to belong to if you want to become involved in an organization that is directed toward helping the community.

-Joanne Howd '98”

ENCOURAGEMENT

Keeping spirits up

The Student Alumni Association (SAA) was a volunteer organization established in 1984. The Student Alumni Association participated in a number of activities involving alumni and the local community. These activities included a Homecoming reception, exam week survival kits, birthday receptions, Big Brothers/ Big Sisters Bowl-A-Thon, the Senior leadership awards, sponsoring a child in Brazil, and Masonic Home programs.

For the most part, Student Alumni Association members participated in volunteer services. They also provided students with the opportunity to volunteer both on and off campus.

“The Student Alumni Association offers more students the chance to volunteer on campus. It allowed students to gain friends and build relationships that lasted a lifetime,” said Julie Kellogg '97.

-Shonda Brown '00

DECISIONS

Students offer assistance

A high school student visiting a prospective college, inquiring about campus life—classes, dorm rooms, personal safety—usually wanted to hear the answers from a student who currently attended that college. Student Ambassadors were organized specifically for this purpose. This group of student donated their time showing how the campus operates to prospective students. Ambassadors covered eight different areas: By taking a prospective student to class, the ambassadors showed the academic lifestyle of the college. By giving a tour, lunch, hosting guests overnight, or sitting on a student panel the ambassadors showed the friendly atmosphere of the campus. This was often the most important aspect of being a student ambassador: they could show how life would be if the student chose to attend the college.

“One of the things I like most about becoming an ambassador is that I am able to tell prospective students what to expect when they go to not only Alma College, but to any college,” said Karl Griggs '00.

Phoning prospective students and writing follow-up postcards helped ambassadors to stay in touch with prospective students and answer any questions they might have had about attending.

Being a student ambassador had its rewards as well: it taught responsibility, leadership, and familiarized undergraduates with the campus. Many students even felt they had a better appreciation for the college after becoming a student ambassador.

“Being a Student Ambassador has taught me about the leadership and responsibility roles that are needed in life, as well as about Alma College. It has also allowed me to appreciate the things that it has to offer,” said Janitza Ocasio '00.

Student Ambassadors were representatives of the school to visiting parents and students. Through them, a prospective student was able to see what college life was like. Their willingness to share themselves and their time created a lasting memory to those prospective students they encountered.

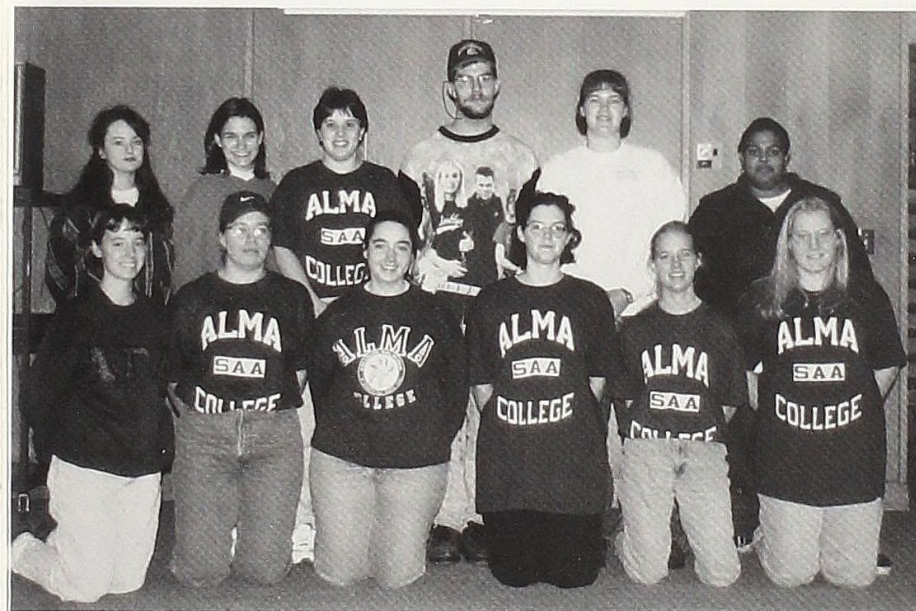
-Shonda Brown '00



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Academics

Julie Hoffman '96 explains classes and the academic life of students to a prospective student as they tour the Swanson Academic Center.



T. Lounds

Student Alumni Association

Joanne Howd, Heather Hodgson, Jennifer Wright, Julie Morrill, Jennifer Hughes, Amanda Kever, Krista St. Andre, Julie Tolles, Melanie Terrian, Joel Sanderson, Jenny Reeder, and Kisha Reid.

“ Being an international student myself, I became a Student Ambassador so that I could learn more about college life and to try to share what I've learned with students thinking not only of coming to Alma College, but in going to any college.

-Sally Texeira '00”

OPPORTUNITIES

New Clubs Are Born

Three first year students decided to make a statement. Eryn Hart '00, Heather Hodgson '00 and Dawn Smith '00 put an idea to the test and succeeded. The birth of the Pre-medicine Club created new opportunities for those students interested in pursuing a career in medicine. The new club brought guest speakers to the campus to tell their stories and experiences of taking the M-CAT, the entrance exam necessary for admission to medical school. By answering questions and explaining the process of becoming a doctor, these visitors gave students confidence and knowledge about their career choice.

The club had difficulties finding an advisor, but finally succeeded when Dr. Laura Vosejka, the Assistant Professor of Chemistry, agreed to help out temporarily. After continuing to search for another advisor, they found Dr. Joe Beckmann, the Chair/Associate Professor of Biochemistry. With help from Student Congress, Pride, The Women's Honorary Society and Dean of Students James Kridler, the Pre-med club was able to travel to Orlando, Florida for

a Pre-med conference. The club brought back new ideas and networking skills for future years. When asked why the club was formed, Heather Hodgson '00 said, "There was a need for something that targeted people going into pre-med."

Another new club was the Communication Club, also known as Live Wire. The club was advised by Dr. Joanne Gilbert, Assistant Professor of Communications. Live Wire got things started right away with many activities, such as a fund-raiser on Halloween to raise money to help create new opportunities for future speakers and events.

The Chemistry Club also had their annual Mole Day, where they conducted experiments on the hour in the lobby of the Dow Science Center. Mole Day, created in honor of the famous chemist Avogadro, falls on October 23. Avogadro's number, $6.02 \cdot 10^{23}$, represents the number of atoms in one mole. Therefore, this day is celebrated on the twenty-third day of the tenth month.

-Danielle Stoddard '00

Physics Club

Left to right: Steve Vance '97, Kristine Kuhna '98, Amy Hoffman '98, Julie Morrill '00, Amanda Gambino '99, Ray Tessier '98 and Dr. Eugene Deci.



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Pre-medicine Club

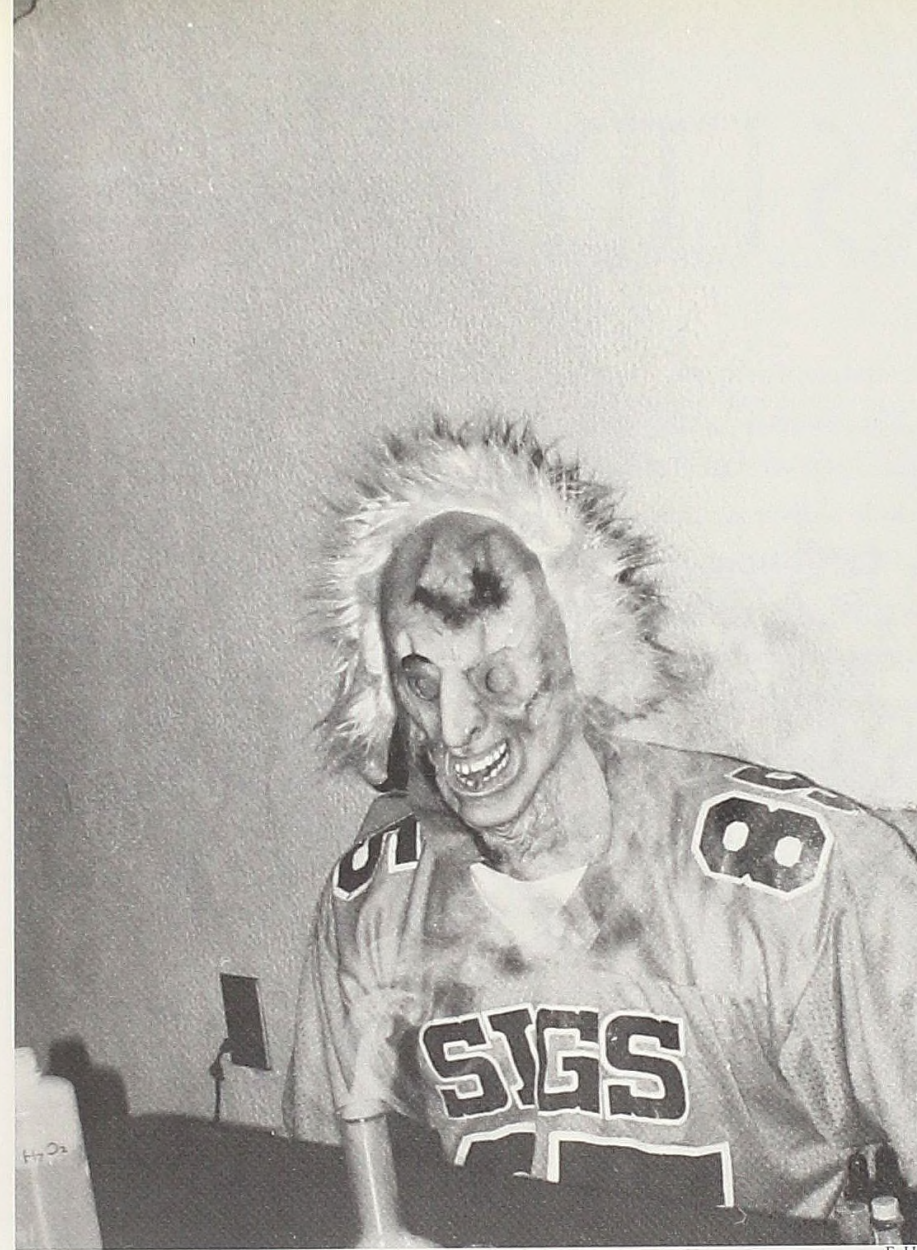
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"If you add this, it will blow..."

Eager students watch and wait for the results of the chemical experiment during the Mole Day celebration. There were many tables set up for the experiments, and different students to perform them every hour.



K. Reid



E. Hart



J. McClain

Chemistry can be bad for your health. On Halloween, chemistry students gathered in Bruske Hall to entertain children as they trick-or-treated through the dorms. Chad Milletics '97 was one of the students who went all out for the trick-or-treaters.



E. Hart

The Math Club

Dr. John Putz, James Hintz '98, Dan Wilson '98, Amy Hoffman '98, Melissa Desjarlais '00, Julie Morrill '00, Chad Husby '97, Cate Humphrey '97, Tim Sipka and Tammy Adams '97.

"Academic clubs are very important because they give students a chance to get together and help them with their future career plans."

-Lenore Giannunzio '99

Chemistry Club

Any chance Chi Epsilon Mu gets, they will be there to blow something up. During Little Siblings Weekend, the chemistry club gathered in Dow to take a "Voyage in Chemistry" with all the little brothers and sisters of Alma Students. It was a great success.

DIVERSITY

Crossing boundaries, sharing traditions

The Association for Intercultural Understanding (AIU) and the United Coalition of Students (UCS) offered the campus a variety of cultural opportunities. These organizations provided such events as a wine and cheese tasting, a multicultural evening of entertainment, a multitude of cultural movie nights, and a variety of other events. These organizations provided opportunities students may never have experienced or even had knowledge of without the efforts of

the students involved.

The students often collaborated their efforts with faculty members to include a diverse range of cultures, traditions, and beliefs. The events were not only social in nature, but also provide education and knowledge of lives unknown to the stereotypical student. It was for this reason that such events were popular campus happenings among the students and faculty.

-Cindy Fiedler '99

Bridging the gap

Faculty and students joined forces to educate and entertain the campus community with cultural knowledge and events.



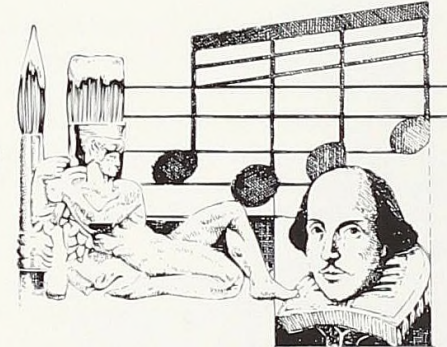
Self interest

Students could research and explore other cultures on their own time, then share their ideas, experiences, and knowledge with the other students involved in the organizations. They often expanded on these discussions to brainstorm new ideas for possible activities.



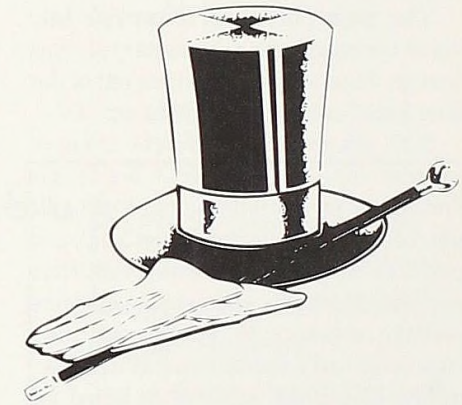
Disciplines

AIU and UCS explored the variety of areas within a culture and community: art, literature, theatre, traditions, holidays, as well as their daily activities.



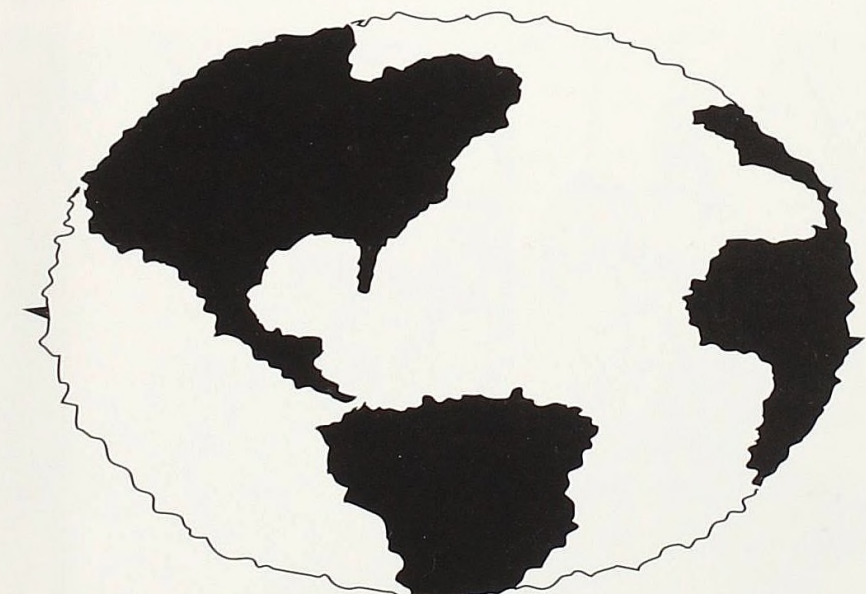
International Escapade

The United Coalition of Students held their annual "International Escapade" to encourage students to educate themselves about other cultures. The evening was filled with costumes, entertainment, food and drink from cultures all over the world.



"International Escapade is an opportunity to open your mind to a variety of other cultures."
-Kisha Reid '97

Bursting the bubble
AIU and UCS allowed opportunities to keep in touch with the rest of the world without having to leave the campus.



Access

The Association for Intercultural Understand and the United Coalition of Students allowed students who had never traveled to experience different parts of the world.



Tempting your taste buds

Students were often enticed by the opportunity to enjoy traditional dishes of foreign cultures.

SERVICE

Investing In The Future

Students Offering Services (SOS) was designed to help the community through various services. SOS provided numerous opportunities for students to volunteer their time with elderly residents, animals, and children.

"Our main purpose is to provide help within our neighboring community of Alma through volunteering some time out of our daily lives," said Dinice Buitendorp '97.

SOS offered nine different areas of volunteerism. Big Brothers/ Big Sisters worked one on one with a child to provide him/her with the attention, friendship, and guidance needed to become productive members of society. The volunteers were positive mentors to young children. Volunteers had a commitment of one year, but the friendships made often lasted for years to come.

Volunteers were also able to work the Women's Aid Service where they helped victims of domestic violence. Volunteers donated time to counseling victims or entertaining children while the women were being counseled.

There were two other areas open for those who liked to work with children. These offered many opportunities to help younger children learn and grow through programs such as the local Latchkey and daycare centers. There were also opportunities to tutor children at school, in their home, or on campus.

For the senior citizens there were a variety of services. Students spent time talking and visiting with an elderly person or were placed with an adopted grandparent. Many volunteers were able to get hands on experience through Gratiot Community

Hospital, allowing them to explore possible fields in health care.

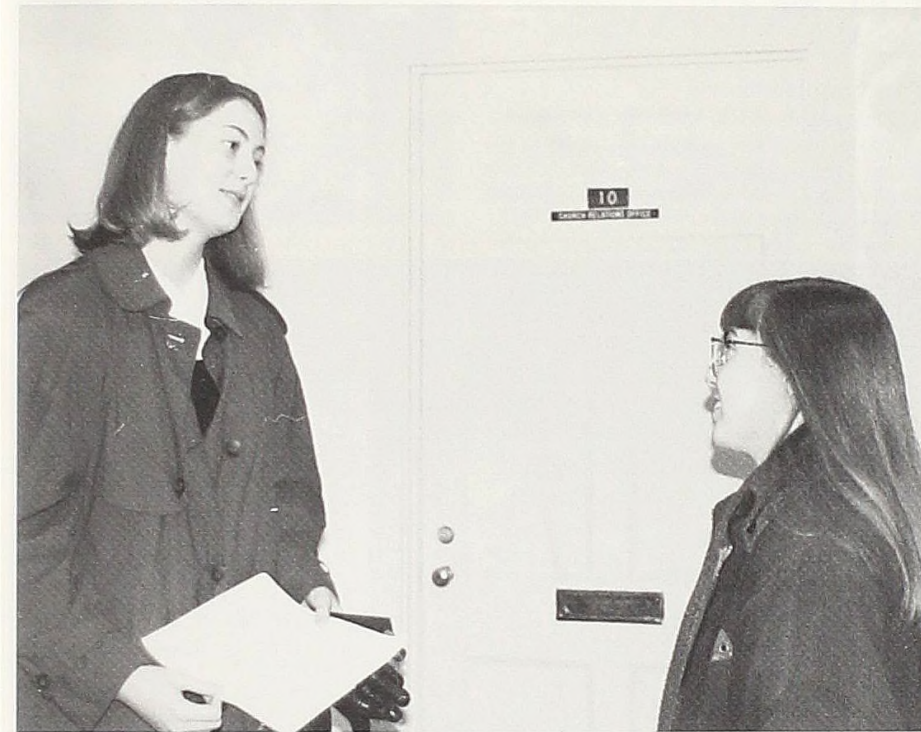
For animal lovers there was PAAS—Public Awareness Animal Shelter—which allowed the volunteers to educate the community about the pets the Gratiot County Animal Shelter housed. PAAS was often trying to generate funds for the shelter.

SOS also helped the homeless and hungry within the community. Volunteers donated their time to the Community Café at the local Presbyterian Church or became involved in Habitat for Humanity. Volunteers also delivered food to those who needed it. Through these services students were able to get involved in the community. "Being a part of SOS makes me feel like Alma is my home and not just a place where I come to just go to school," said Monique Averill '97.

-Shonda Brown '00

Details

Jennifer Bade '98 and Shannon Wagner '97 make some last minute arrangements as they leave the SOS office. The headquarters of the organization were found in the basement of the Dunning Memorial Chapel.



E. Hart

"I joined SUN because I love the earth and I would like to preserve it for my children and grandchildren."
-Sarah Hypio '98

Students Offering Services is much like the middle man. We provide the information to the student who wants to do a particular service.

-Alicia Sanchez '98



E. Hart

Students Offering Services

Holly Roten, Valerie Simmons, Shannon Wagner, Alicia Sanchez, Dinice Buitendorp, Holly Caraway, Monique Averill, Jennifer Bade, and Reverend Jesse Perry.



E. Hart

Preparation

Dinice Buitendorp '97, Monique Averill '97, and Alicia Sanchez '98 discuss plans for Students Offering Services. They offered students volunteer opportunities in a variety of areas.

CLEANSING

Preserving the World

Imagine children growing up without having the opportunity to see trees or birds or any other aspect of nature that existed when we were children. Imagine a world absent of its beautiful rain forest and the animals it held. These generations had to imagine because of the pollution that was released daily.

Pollution was one of the most destructive ways humans affected life on Earth. The pollution humans caused affected the air we breathed, the water we drank, and even the food we ate. Pollution was everywhere and affected everything. With so much pollution in the world, what could one possibly do to help save the environment and preserve it for the future?

Students refused to watch the earth being killed carelessly. They refused to let those destroying the earth—burning materials, spraying products that deteriorate the ozone layer—get away with it.

A group of students organized strictly for this purpose. Students United for Nature (SUN) members promoted environmental awareness on campus and within the community. When necessary, they went to environmental emergencies to aid efforts to clean up and stop pollution. SUN adopted highways and cleaned up the Pine River. They planted new trees and saved the old ones.

"Though this is not a die hard, chain yourself to a tree type of group, all the members are heavily concerned about the environment and in the preservation of it," said Julie Granis '98.

SUN brought in four government speakers who explained how they followed up on industries who had polluted in the past. The speakers also suggested careers for members dealing with environmental issues.

-Shonda Brown '00

STANDING PROUD

Striving for Equality

“We Alma Pride Members are not only a support group, but we are also an activist group that believes in equal rights, not only for us, but for everyone, regardless of race, gender, or creed.

-Karl Wolf '99”

Accomplishments

During Pride Week, works by gay, lesbian, and bisexual authors was put on display in the library. The display was put together by Pride members as a reminder that sexuality is present in our every day lives.



D. Stoddard



T. Lounds

Women's Issues Advisory Board

Alicia Sanchez, Nicole Walsh, Shonda Brown, Michelle Haroon, Shannon Wagner, Dr. Denise Johnson, and Carolyn Schneider.

Dining

Dr. Denise Johnson and Alicia Sanchez '98 enjoy one of the Pot Luck dinners sponsored by the Women's Issues Advisory Board. Women all over campus were invited to participate in these and many other WIAB activities.



J. McClain

Voices

Erica Whichello '00 shares a piece of her work at "Voices From the Dark." This poetry reading, held in the planetarium, was just one of the Pride sponsored events in celebration of Pride Week.



T. Lounds

Alma Pride, the campus' gay, lesbian, and bisexual student support and activist group, encouraged understanding and equal treatment of all sexual orientations. The group also provided education about homophobia and heterosexualism. The main goal of the organization was to promote unity, visibility, and self-esteem among lesbians, gays, and bisexuals. Members found an environment in which sexual minorities had the opportunity to socialize, learn, and grow.

"I joined Pride so I could get in touch with others who were gay, lesbian, or bisexual; also to destroy the preconceived fears others may have of our lifestyles," said Elizabeth Esch '00.

Pride promoted a positive image within the community and campus through the sponsoring of various events. The main activities occurred during Pride week, including National Coming Out Day, a poetry reading

entitled "Voices From the Dark," Blue Jeans Day, a day of Observation, and a movie night.

Like Pride, the Women's Issues Advisory Board sponsored activities promoting equal rights for everyone. The month of March, Women's Month was filled with informational speakers, displays, and events promoting and celebrating the advancement of women.

One major focus throughout the month was the development of the Women's History Project. A presentation on the project was included in Honors Day for those interested in learning more about it. In addition, the project was to be taken to a conference during the summer months before becoming available to students through the Monteith Library.

"By remembering women of the past, we become great leaders of the future."

-Shonda Brown '00

-Cindy Fiedler '99

Pride

Elizabeth Esch, Melissa Allen, Kalindi Trietley, Erica Whichello, John Edwards, and Karl Wolf.



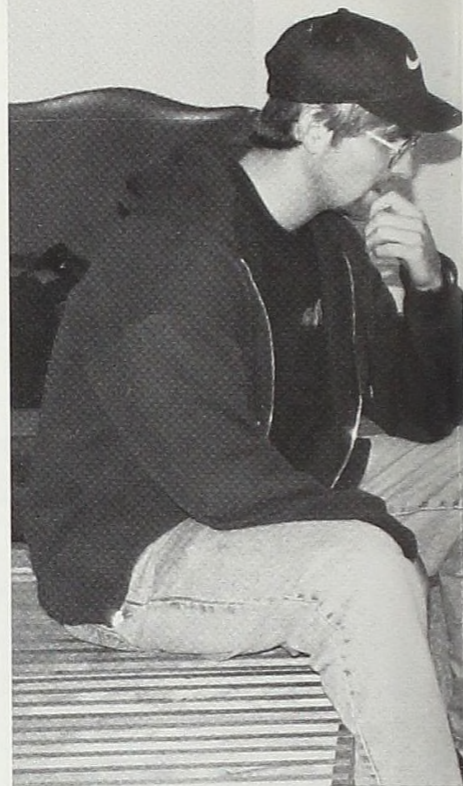
T. Lounds

“The people in Chi Alpha are really friendly and are there to welcome you and make you feel like part of a family.”

--Lonna Lutze '00



K. Reid



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Bible Study

Chi Alpha members: Jon Potter '97, Sarah Cable '97, and Tara Peters '98 having a discussion on the Bible. During meetings they often discussed Bible verses and how it influenced their lives.

“One of the things that I like about the Chapel Committee is that it is filled with people of various backgrounds that come together and talk openly about different issues concerning young people today.”

--Donald Sharp '97

Fun Time

A few Chi Alpha members Jon Potter '97, Sarah Cable '97, and Tara Peters '98 having a little fun. Members took time out of their meeting to show off Chi Alpha Symbols.

Chapel Committee Members:

- Jody Bannan
- Shonda Brown
- Ann Gibbs
- Barb Knust
- Donald Sharp
- Allison Shoemaker
- Andy Tallman



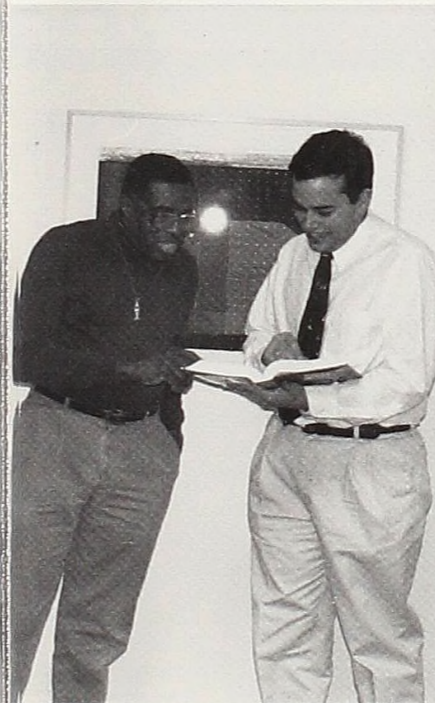
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Chi Alpha

Front: Brian Taylor, Robin Johncheck, and Kelly Underwood. Middle: Lonna Lutze, Rebecca Raus, Tara Peters, and Scott Taggart. Back: Erin Eames, Sarah Cable, Ben Cable, Curtis White, and Jon Potter.

“I like Chi Alpha because it is a place where I know I can go and get a chance to worship God and hear his words.”

--Curtis White '97



K. Reid

Communication

Trey Garland '97 and Reverend Jesse Perry discuss the upcoming plans for Sunday worship service. They spent many hours preparing the songs and verses for Sunday services.

COMMUNITY

A place for prayer and laughter

According to members of Chi Alpha sharing, supporting, and caring were a few characteristics a student could find in a this group. Chi Alpha, meaning “Christ sent ones,” was a Christian fellowship that met to discuss the Bible.

Chi Alpha created a community of Christians that supported one another. They welcomed all races and genders by “extending God’s hand to them,” said Jon Potter '97.

Chi Alpha’s goal was to provide a positive influence for students. Their mission was to administer the law and gospel of Jesus to others.

“One main goal of the group is that we want to have a major influence on students as they are attending college here and as they leave to go and pursue higher positions in life,” said Jon.

If students wanted a group to discuss the Bible with or a supportive environment, Chi Alpha was designed to provide this. “It really is a community, we really do care about one another here,” said Kelly Underwood '97. To create a small community who encouraged each other, who celebrated together, who lent a helping hand was their main goal.

Chi Alpha had a partner in their efforts: Chapel Committee. Prayer, discussions, and laughter were regular occurrences during their meetings. Singing, reading stories, answering each other’s questions were also common.

“This is a special time set aside for students to break away from the books and answer questions that no one else would want to answer,” said Reverend Jesse Perry, Advisor of both groups.

The Chapel Committee provided opportunities for leadership. Students planned services, stories and games with Biblical meanings, having fun and worshiping at the same time.

“The thing I most like about this group is being around young people who are just starting life and being able to talk openly and freely in an unstructured environment,” said Perry.

“Many times people often think that just because we’re Christians we’re not suppose to laugh and have fun. Well, that is not true, because we laugh together all the time, and have fun,” said Ann Gibbs '97.

-Shonda Brown '00

Biker Man

Sarah Adair

Biker man dis mounts
his silver horse.
Bow leg-ed he struts
into the store.

Chains clanging
Boots clomping
Leather rubbing
Dust flying
Tattoos blaring
He sits.

To have a smoke?
Marlboro Red, I infer.
To have a cold one?
Guzzle it,
dripping down his chin,
of course.

He produces from beneath

his silver studded jacket
A Franklin Planner.
burgundy, with gold corners.
Gold-rimmed reading glasses
He proceeds to balance his check-
book.
(what nerve.)

Disappointment to see responsibility
in my wild, wind-burned biker man.

To learn from him:
We must all grow up?
Remember to look beneath
the cover?

As I ponder this
he smokes half
of a super slim
clove
cigarette
Gold banded
like his fountain pen.

Horizons and Masajarina

Maria Toscano

My first angle
of life was the horizon
that was my mother's
mesa in the yellow sun-stained
kitchen. There she ran
her hands around
the dough and gave birth to
little baby tortillas.
She pressed them until
the lines of her
palms were mirrored
in the balled treat.
The rolling pin began to baile
upon them making
them like full
moons. The smells
of Masajarina hung thick
like Momma's black-brown
hair and the Tejas aromas
as there she ran
them onto the skillet.
They turned shades
of fading fall, and with butter
made a perfect memory.

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AUTHORS

Celebrating past, present, and future

The campus was home to a plethora of artists in every area, including writing, painting, drawing, sculpting, and a variety of other crafts. The Pine River Anthology offered such artists an opportunity to share their work with the entire campus. The Pine River Anthology was the college liberal arts magazine. Those who were published were chosen through an anonymous screening process by the staff of the magazine. In addition, drawings, paintings, sculptures and various other types of visual art were chosen to be published alongside the literary pieces. All work was student produced, including the magazine itself. Each student was then entitled to a copy of the publication, since the magazine was funded by the student activity fee and the English department.

The English department was also supportive of another organization of students called Epic. Epic was the college literary club. Activities included a welcoming celebration for the new faculty who had joined the department. All students were invited to stop in and welcome the new faculty members while enjoying a snack or beverage provided by Epic. The organization also sponsored two excursions to the Michigan State Campus in East Lansing to enjoy the presentations of celebrity authors. The first group enjoyed Amy Tan, while the second admired the presentation of Toni Morrison. These excursions were also open to any student who expressed an interest in attending.

-Cindy Fiedler '99



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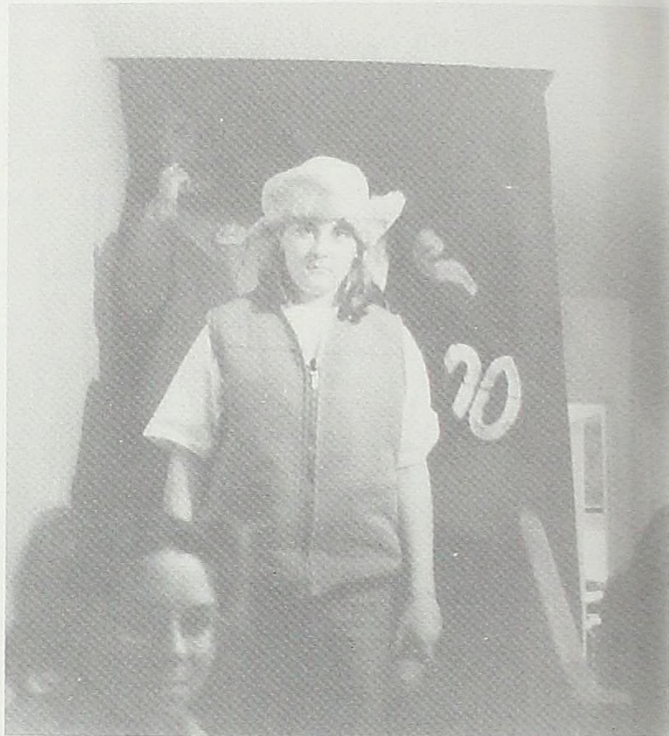
Renowned

Amy Tan and Toni Morrison were two of the authors students had the opportunity to experience during the Celebrity Lecture Series sponsored by Michigan State University. Epic provided the admission as well as the transportation to East Lansing.

Greek

Boo Brothers

Brothers of Kappa Iota show support for their sisters at walk outs. The brothers were very active in the Kappa Iota activities, providing support and enjoying time with their sisters.



K. Reid

"There are many inaccurate stereotypes of sorority girls and I feel when we volunteer we give people a taste of what we are all really about."

-Luba Manko '98

Disco

Neil Palmreuter '97 and Brian Brunelle '00 hit the dance floor at the Alpha Gamma Delta formal dance. The dances sponsored by Greek organizations were open to the entire campus.



J. McClain



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The Greek community enveloped individuals from every corner of the campus. In addition, each separate organization was as individual as its members. Yet, somehow this mass of people found others like themselves and grouped together. They found other individuals to share their hopes and fears, their joys and sorrows, and their fun and work. They found fraternities and sororities to fit their individual personalities.

"When I started pledging, I was afraid I'd made a mistake—I barely knew any of the sisters, and besides, I'd always sworn that I'd never join a sorority. But, somehow, I felt completely at home with these strangers. Somehow I knew I was supposed to be there," said Sarah Keinath '99.

"I chose to join Gamma Phi because I felt extremely comfortable with all of the girls. I knew that many of those girls were incredibly wonderful and I really wanted to become a part of their group," said Melissa Heist '99.

"I joined Kappa Iota because they are real people and they presented an atmosphere which I could trust and love as my own," explained Mary Hess '98.

"We took a great new member class this year! The new members seemed to fit right in with everyone. Their class name was 'The Nine Muses'," Cheryl Lenard '99 reflected.

Though every individual had their own memories from pledging, they all took the same amount of pride in their individual group: 200%.

"I like how GPB is very diverse. Many of my sisters are involved in so much, both on and off campus. I think that is something to be proud of. We lend our time to many others," said Melissa.

Mary explained, "Everyone in KI is very different, but that makes us great!

We are also very laid back and most of the time we just enjoy living."

"I honestly feel we have such a diverse group within Gamma Phi. Over the past few years we have really become a mixture of personality types, more so than in the past, and I think that it speaks

well of us that so many diverse women can get along—you don't have to be alike to be liked," said Galina Martin '98.

Lori Romeyn '99 commented, "For me, SAI is a close knit sisterhood of women with a

common passion for music and a desire to see its effects strengthened both on this campus and in the greater community...it gives me an avenue to express myself and the support I need to do so."

In addition to pride, the different groups

also share another commonality; they have all created their own special memories to last a lifetime.

"The best thing I can think of is the day we all put on camouflage and old jeans, painted our faces with green and black and hit the woods with the SAEs to play 'Capture the Flag.' It was just pure fun running around an being covered in leaves and dirt. The best thing was that we finally won, something we have never done before," Galina remembered.

Luba Manko '98 explained, "The most memorable was walk outs. Just having a good time, dressed in tie-dye and getting new sisters. My sisters are the ones that make being an AZD extra special."

Becoming a member of the Greek community was rewarding for many. They found friendships, memories, and fun. Emily Heiss '97 explained, "It's not something that can easily be put into words...it's just something that has to be experienced."

-Cindy Fiedler '99

"As a senior looking back on my four years at Alma, I can't imagine not being a part of this group. I love all the little things about my sisters that makes Gamma Phi what it is."

-Emily Heiss '97

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raveling Companions

Exploring Beyond The Boundries

"I joined KI because the women were strong individually as well as together," said Danielle Sullivan '97.

As a local social sorority, Kappa Iota was free to break through boundaries confining national Greek organizations. "...we don't have to be confined by the reputation of some national chapter twelve states away; we are free to be who we want to be, not shoved into some pre-cut mold," said Danielle.

Kappa Iota not only initiated sisters, but also brothers. "KI

brothers wear our letters and support whatever we as a sorority do. They are a large and diverse group of men that carry the same ideals that KIs do. They're terrific!" said Emily Cameron '98.

The sisters kept the campus involved and entertained. They sponsored the annual "Luxury Liner" dance, an easter egg hunt, took first place at Mock Rock, sponsored a personal needs drive, and provided the children's games during the Highland Festival.

"We are a unique group because we accept all of our sisters for who they are," said Michelle Pihlaja '98. Jen McClain '98 added, "It seems like there's no real prototype for a KI. There are things a lot of us have in common, but it's our differences that make things interesting." Emily summed up Kappa Iota: "Friendship, love, and trust for each of our sisters is what makes us a sorority, not the letters."

-Cindy Fiedler '99



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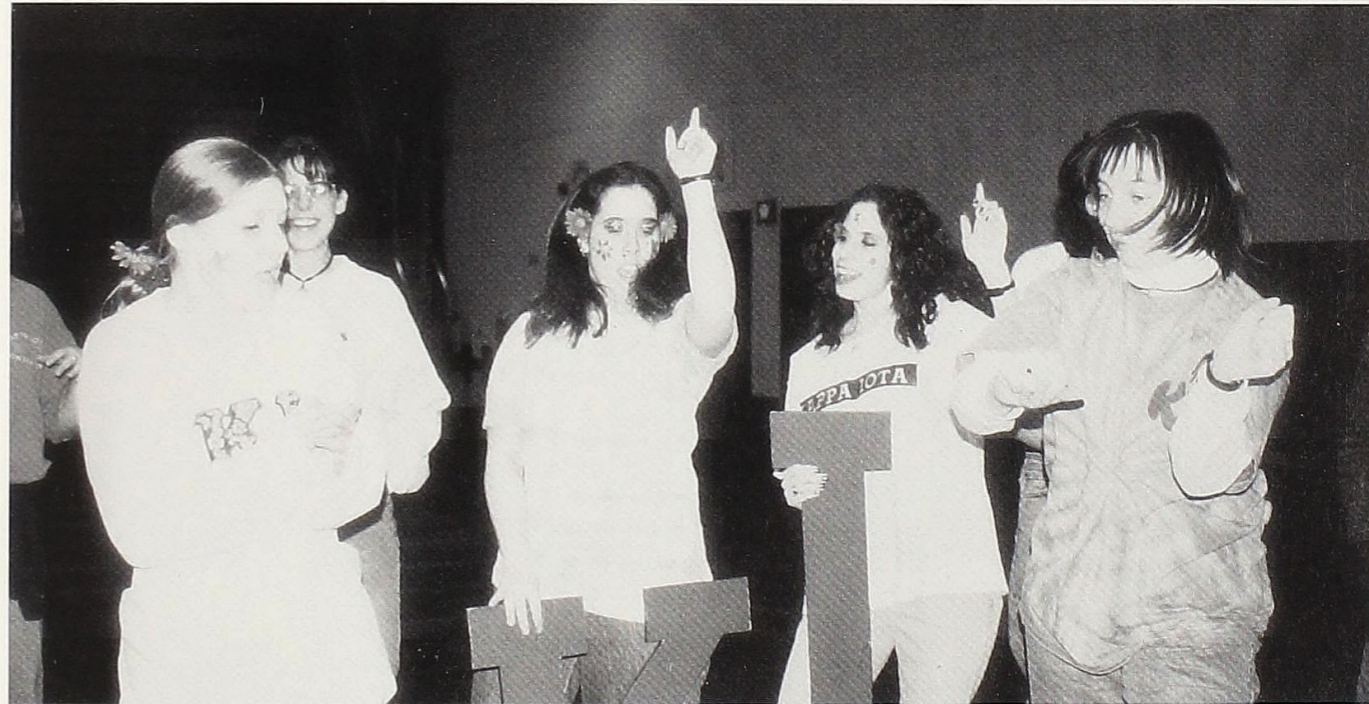


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Kappa Iota Active Members

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| Ardie Green | Sarah Keinath | Beth Bullmer |
| Becky Johnston | Jen Cornell | Tonya Bussema |
| Cari Beiritz | Lydia Nichols | Annie Delind |
| Daiva Stonys | Laura Ringle | Susan Elliot |
| Kelly Corrigan | Danielle Sullivan | Susan Frazer |
| Kendra Seybert | India Lovett | Tiffany Hodge |
| Sarah Dempsey | Emily Cameron | Michelle Hribar |
| Julie Heintz | Michelle Pihlaja | Sarah Layman |
| Mary Hess | Jennifer MacKillop | Carrie Nelson |
| Jen McClain | Jennifer Mitchell | Jade Sims |
| Amy Zell | Deborah MacDonald | Lisa Tessmer |
| Erin Saal | Sarah Goecke | Mali Vanderbeek |
| Angie Jevince | Renee Goodwin | Jen Wood |
| | Kimberly Barrette | |



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Boogie

Kappa Iota Sisters Julie Heintz '97, Amy Zell '98, Erin Saal '99, Angie Jevince '98, and Jennifer Grutza '98 dance with pride as they welcome their newest members during run-outs.

Stars

Sarah Keinath '99 and Keith Suppes '99 dance the night away during the Luxury Liner. The event was sponsored by Kappa Iota, but was open to the entire campus.

Yummy

Elizabeth Esch '00 enjoys a caramel apple at the Kappa Iota house. Making caramel apples was open to both Greek and non-Greek women on campus.

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Zeta Sigma Active Members

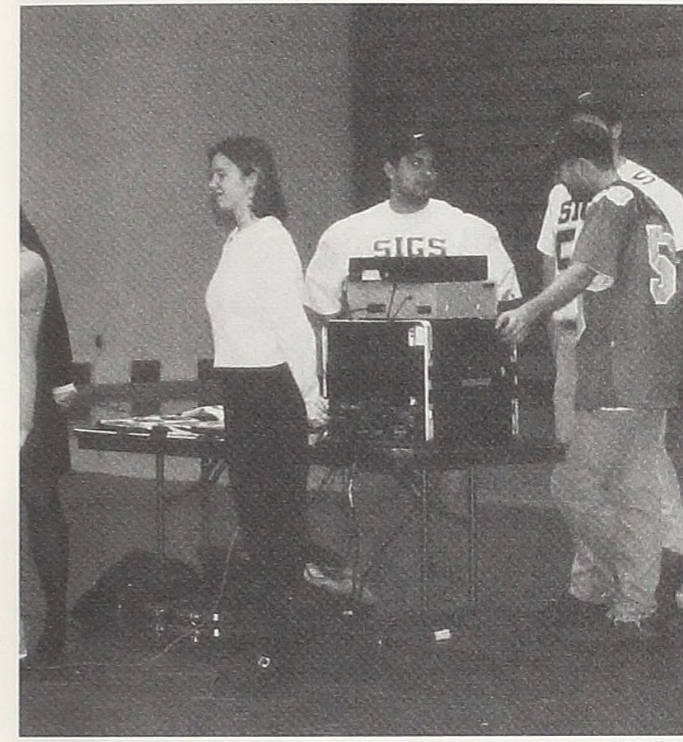
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| Chad Milletics | Lucas Hart |
| James Jorgenson | Josh Wiggins |
| Ian Schmidt | Devin Ripmaster |
| Warren Rojewski | Jef Fox |
| Roger Pattie | Kyle Kristin |
| Ben Hondorp | Steve Pickelmann |
| Max Leonard | Joel Stewart |
| John Buesing | |



C. Rau

Jammin'

Scott Brade '97, Chad Milletics '97, and Max Leonard '99 choose the tunes at sorority walk-outs. The brothers of Zeta Sigma provided the music for the event.



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Achievements

The brothers and sisters of Zeta Sigma display the food they collected with pride. The collections were donated to the Salvation Army.



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Goals

Zeta Sigma brothers and their sisters try to draw in donations for their food drive with their smiling faces.

Community Efforts

Perseverance Pays Off

The Zeta Sigma brothers and sisters braved the autumn weather to collect food for the Salvation Army—and the results were phenomenal. The fraternity raised over 2,000 cans of food and \$400. As an added bonus, the fraternity was awarded the award for the best philanthropic event from the Pan Hellenic Council and the Inter

Fraternity Council. The brothers continued the year with their annual Hockey Night. This event attracted 88 people who traveled to Flint as spectators. The brothers volunteered their services for campus events also. They could be found volunteering their time at the Heritage Center as well as Commencement. During Spring Term the

brothers turned their efforts back to the Salvation Army. The brothers braved the frigid air to hold a fundraising car wash. The brothers not only took pride in their philanthropic efforts, but also in the achievements of individuals. In fact, the 1996 Winter Pledge Class had the highest cumulative point average. -Cindy Fiedler '99



Theta Chi Active Members

Marc Alderman	Scott Harman	Ron Hough
Oren Jenkins	Doug Potter	Adam Jackson
Daniel Mawby	Matthew Groves	Nathan Lane
Andrew Downs	Philip Allmen	Ryan McDonald
Joseph Johnston	Justin Burtch	Brian Morris
John Edwards	Todd Corneille	Steven Nash
Riccardo Villareal	Ryan Flesher	Peter Norman
Brian Papendick	Jeff Fortier	Jason Schultz
Andrew Schmidtz	Geoffrey Guy	Steven Wilson
Brian Deur		Steven Wisinski

Taking the stage

Joe Johnston '97 fulfills his role in the theatre production of *God's Country*. Joe was just one of the various members of Theta Chi who involved himself in the theatre company.



J. McClain

Combining Interests

Involvement Adds Diversity

The brothers of Theta Chi fulfilled their philanthropic duties, organized events, attended regular meetings, and acted as a fraternity is expected to act, but it is what they involved themselves in as individuals that made this group of brothers unique.

Brothers of Theta Chi overflowed with creativity. Many of the brothers were involved in the theatre company:

some took the stage while others were hard at work behind the scenes.

While some were hard at work in the Heritage Center, others were a corridor away in the Eddy Music Building. Theta Chi Brothers populated the Kiltie Band, Jazz Band, Percussion Ensemble, Men's Glee Club, College Choir and the Symphony Orchestra with their talents.

Brothers without musical or

theatrical inclinations involved themselves in other campus activities. Theta Chi voices could often be heard during Student Congress meetings, or on WQAC—the campus radio station—while another took a seat on the student judicial board.

The Brothers of Theta Chi took pride in themselves, filling the campus activities with their fraternal spirit.

—Cindy Fiedler '99



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Keeping the Beat

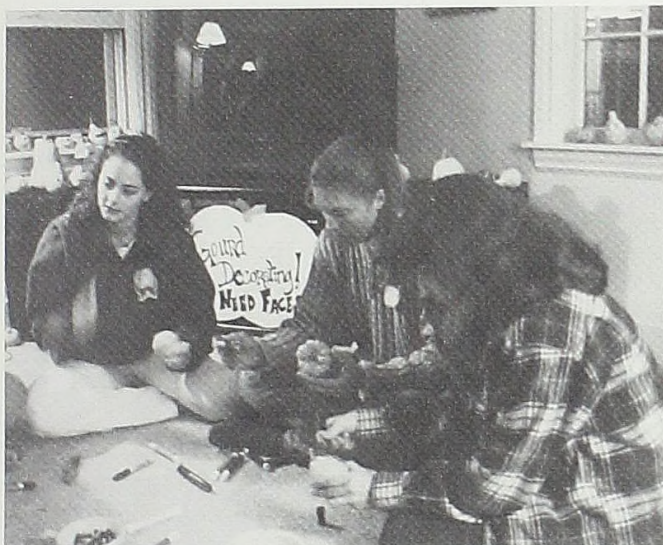
Theta Chi brothers Riccardo Villareal '99 and Marc Alderman '98 participate in the Kiltie Marching Band as percussionists. Riccardo and Marc were just two examples of the musical talents found in Theta Chi.

“I take pride in my Theta Chi brothers when we work together as a fraternity or when we achieve things as individuals.”

—Brian Deur '98

Autumn Activities

Heather Hillier '00, Amy Czabala '00, and Amanda Burnett '00 enjoy Gourd Decorating at the Alpha Xi Delta house. This, among various other activities, was just one event that occurred during pre-rush festivities.



J. McClain

Education

Nicole Bartell '98 addresses her fellow members among others who attended the Drug Awareness Program sponsored by Alpha Xi Delta and held in Jones Auditorium. This event was just one of the ways the sorority gave back to the community.



T. Lounds

Addition

Alpha Xi Delta members walk proud as they prepare to receive their new members at walk-outs. "My most memorable moment was walk-outs because all eyes were on me and it was going to be my decision that everyone heard. I felt so happy when they ran out to get me!" said Michelle Peebles '00.



J. McClain

"I chose AZD over the other sororities because I knew it was where I belonged! AZD is special to me because of each individual that I can call a sister and a friend."
-Leslie Karam '98

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iving Back to the Community

Group Efforts Provide Greater Results

"AXiD is special to me because I know I can be myself, and not be ashamed of the things I stand for," said Jenni Cherniak '99. Standing for what you believe in was something many members of Alpha Xi Delta prided themselves on. Jenni continued, "It became even more special when I found out my sisters stood for many of the same things."

This sorority believed in giving back to their community. They revolved around philanthropy and bringing a smile to the people

around them. "One of my favorite activities was raking leaves for Make a Difference Day. We had a lot of fun even though it was hard work," said Jenni.

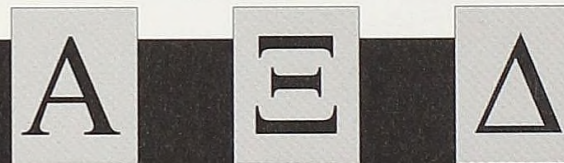
"We had a bake sale to raise money for our national philanthropy. You should have seen a large group of girls in a very small kitchen trying to bake cookies," said Samantha Jacobs '97. "AXD is special to me because of the contributions I have been able to give through our group and the group itself."

"I found it fascinating that so many different women from different places with different backgrounds could come together to form such a strong group. AZD lets me be me. I don't have to pretend to be someone I'm not," said Erin DeWaard '99. Beth Cain '98 said, "AXiD is special to me because of the friends that I now have and the memories that will always be there when I come home to Alma."

-Cindy Fiedler '99



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Alpha Xi Delta Active Members

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| Karmin Grace | Renee DeGraff | Erin DeWaard |
| Denise Vernon | Kelly Bennett | Keeley Donley |
| Jennifer Middleton | Stefeni Meissner | Maya Mackowiack |
| Sarah Ogleski | Felicia Farr | Stephanie Maust |
| Kelsey Tyner | Corrie Bradley | Laurie McGee |
| Victoria Kissane | Beth Cain | Tiffany Peters |
| Samantha Jacobs | Kendra Edwardson | Amber Piesko |
| Suzanne Vetrone | Kristin Gardner | Dana Reinke |
| Amy Marklund | Jodi Gelina | Carrie Reid |
| Brenda Fish | Carrie Hunt | Suzanne Semanson |
| Jennifer Freeman | Sarah Hypio | Janelle Snyder |
| Andrea Hill | Luba Manko | Amanda Vogel |
| Lori Kamasky | Melanie McCarty | Sarah Green |
| Kelly Kirkum | Jennifer Rocco | Amanda Burnett |
| Jaami McClellan | Alicia Sanchez | Suzanne DuLong |
| Renee Nicholson | Karly Schultz | Anne Grimaldi |
| Angela Noll | Beth Schwalm | Becky Hunt |
| Shannon Scheurs | Amanda Scott | Katie Kanitz |
| Angie Thompson | Kelly Bannow | Betsie Keeler |
| Andrea Waligorski | Gina Beebe | Molly McNutt |
| Leslie Karam | Tori Biebuyck | Leigh Miles |
| Nicole Bartell | Jenni Cherniak | Michele Peebles |
| Amity Miller | Anastacia Clapper | Kyra Totten |
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T K E

Tau Kappa Epsilon Active Members

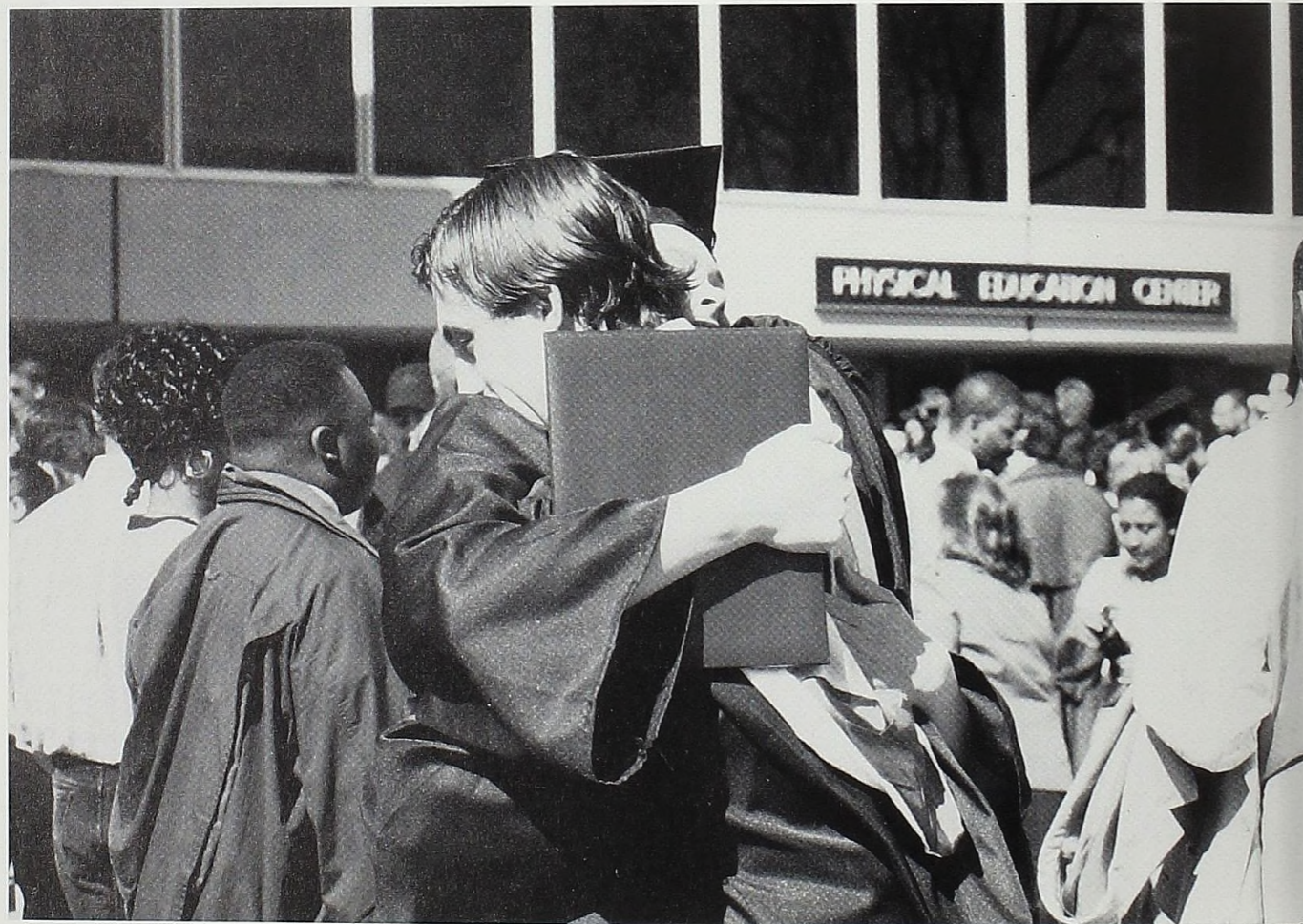
Tony Adams	Craig Fritts	Bill Nietzke
Mike Baszler	Jason Fritz	Todd Nyman
Derik Bilicki	Christopher Hales	Jeremy O'Shea
Brian Borkowski	Chad Hoewe	Matt Pohl
Bob Brauker	Ryan Janis	Josh Pyle
Drew Broaddus	Chris Johnston	Ryan Randolph
Michael Campbell	Brandon Klump	Jeremy Stewart
Kevin Carter	Jason Kooiker	Kurt Sutton
Tom Comer	Brian Lassey	Jay Swan
Ryan Cook	Jorge Livingston	Jeremy Terbush
Chris Davis	Tim McAleese	Joseph Toman
Will Deeds	Nate Miller	James Townsend
Adam Dias	Tom Mosey	Jason VanDerMaas
Marcus Dukes	Alex Nicander	Craig Wasen
Mike Durco	Daniel Nichelson	Ben Washabaugh

“Being a TKE means always having a brother around to hang out with.”

-Chris Davis '97

Closure

Bill Nietzke '97 bids farewell to a friend after the graduation ceremony. Bill was just one of the brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon who graduated. He was active in football as well as his fraternity.



T. Lounds

Continuing Traditions

Working Together To Keep Going

The brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon worked together to achieve their goals. The brothers fulfilled their philanthropic duties as well as providing social events for the campus community.

During Homecoming, the brothers invited alumni into their house to reminisce and relive their college days. They continued this tradition in

hopes that future generations of Tau Kappa Epsilon members would do the same.

“It is good to know that someday there will be new TKEs to welcome me back for Homecoming,” said Jeremy O'Shea '97.

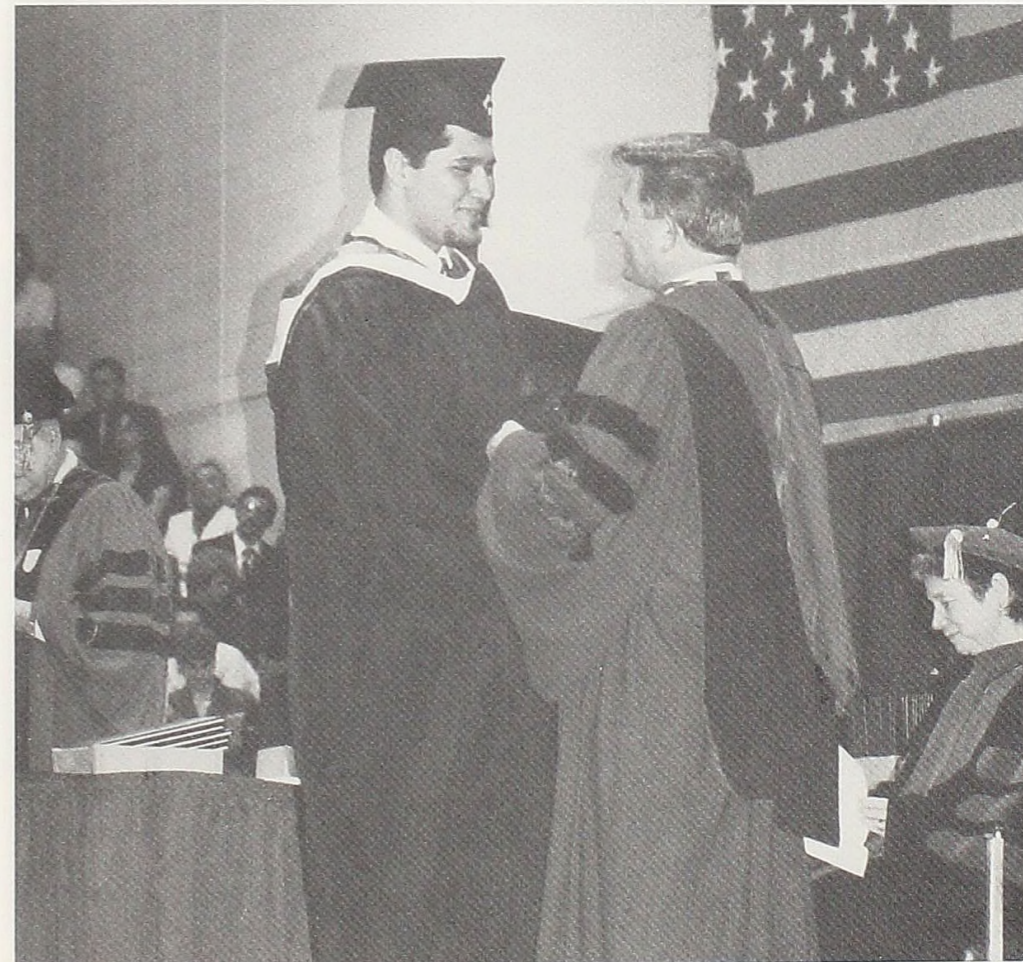
“It is cool to see TKEs who used to be here and be able to talk to them about their time here,” said Jason Kooiker '98.

The brothers not only enjoyed the time they spent with alumni, but also with active members. They enjoyed the Tau Kappa Epsilon events they organized throughout the year. But being a member was not all fun; the brothers also devoted their time to philanthropic events for the campus as well as for the community.

-Cindy Fiedler '99

Congratulations

Brothers watch as Jorge Livingston '97 receives his degree from President Alan Stone. Brothers took pride in individual achievements of their members as well as the accomplishments of Tau Kappa Epsilon as a whole.



T. Lounds

Socializing

Beth Knapp '98, Kari St. Bernard '99, Karen Steeno '99, Kristine Pintar '98, Lindsey Keegstra '99, Lindsay Pennington '98, and Holly Bailey '98 gather for a photo during Bids Bash. Both Kari and Karen were new members of the fall pledge class.



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“To me, being an AGD means having a support group of people who really care.”
-Joanne Howd '98

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eviving Traditions

Friendships Strengthen From Togetherness

“This year we worked to bring back some old or lost AGD traditions, such as family night,” said Cheryl Lenard '99. “We have also worked to bring sisters together more often during the hectic weeks by doing fun activities at the house, such as coffee night or exotic fruit night.”

The sisters of Alpha Gamma Delta focused on improvement: improving friendships, improving sisterhood, and improving the sorority itself. “AGD has worked

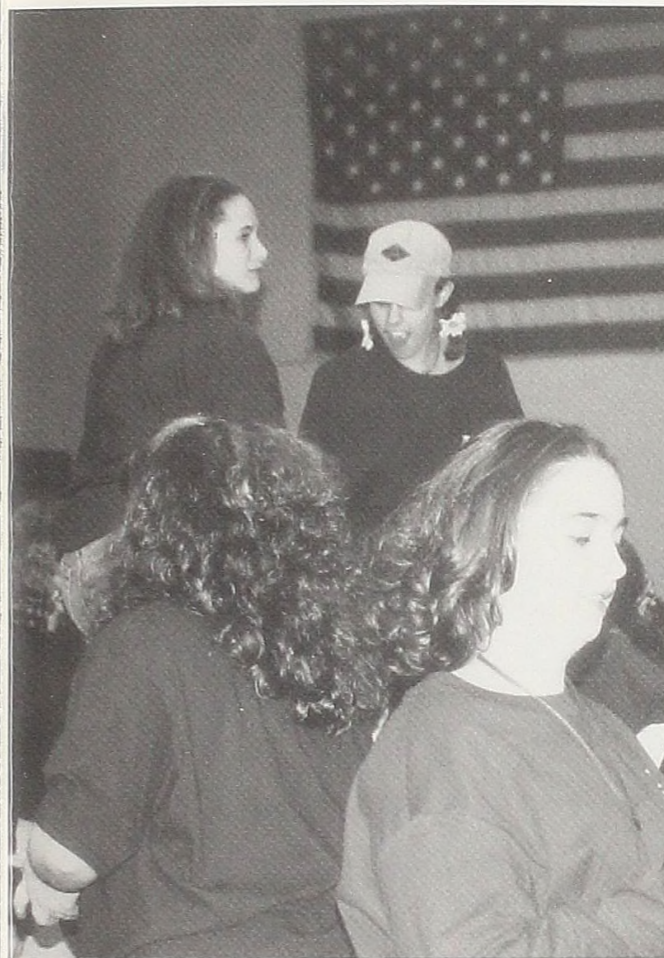
really hard to become more involved with philanthropy work. Some examples of philanthropy events we have held this year include the balloon sale during Valentine's week and volunteers for Martin Luther King Jr. week,” said Cheryl.

Though the members shared memories, each of them looked at Alpha Gamma Delta through their own eyes. “AGD, to me, is a wonderful group of friends who care about all of the events of your life, big or small, and supports you

with their love. I pledged because my sisters are very sincere, caring, and share the same values which I admire in a person,” said Angie Clark '99.

“The meaning of being an AGD has changed for me over the last four years. It has meant friendships, safety, love, responsibility—and frustration. All the frustrating things will be erased from my mind over time, but the good times will last forever,” said Misty Daniels '97.

-Cindy Fiedler '99



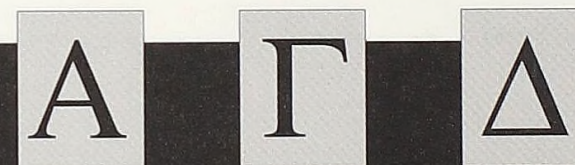
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Above the crowd

Dana Cole '99 and Kristine Pintar '97 sit atop the shoulders of their Alpha Gamma Delta Sisters during run-outs. This rush event was held in the Cappaert gymnasium because of the crowd it drew.



B. Knust



Alpha Gamma Delta Active Members

Jen Arnold	Shelli Headley	Lindsay Pennington
Holly Bailey	Haley Heath	Becky Pierce
Melissa Berry	Karen Heins	Kristine Pintar
Tiffany Brown	Melanie Higgins	Jamie Raden
Megan Brunelle	Joanne Howd	Jenny Reeder
Dinice Buitendorp	Cate Humphrey	Leslie Russell
Stacey Burdette	Kim Hunt	Sara Schrader
Jenise Cardinal	Sarah Isaacson	Heather Schuur
Sarah Chambers	Kristen Kaiser	Lisa Sherman
Angela Clark	Lindsey Keegstra	Allison Shoemaker
Jenelle Cleveland	Beth Klingensmith	Rhonda Smith
Dana Cole	Beth Knapp	Jenny Souva
Jennifer Corry	Karin Konrad	Kari St. Bernard
Sondra Cox	Cheryl Lenard	Karen Steeno
Misty Daniels	Christine Mayers	Torree Stembol
Nikki Deja	Christina McGrain	Heather Stricker
Alyson Ferriss	Kristen Miquel	Sarah Ternan
Charlotte Grant	Jennifer Mounts	Roxanna Weisenbach
Marci Griffith	Jen Olsen	Jessica Williams
Heather Hays	Kendra Parks	Jennifer Wright
	Sara Peel	



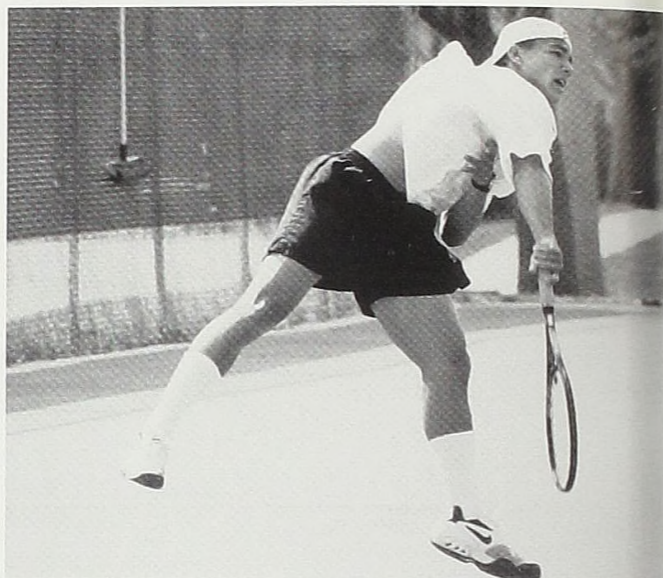
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Dancing

Sarah Ternan '99 and Beth Klingensmith '99 rock to the rhythms at the Alpha Gamma Delta all campus formal, Masquerade.

Representation

Sigma Alpha Epsilon brother Chris Ahn '98 swings hard during a match. Like many of his brothers, Chris was involved in many activities and organizations on campus.



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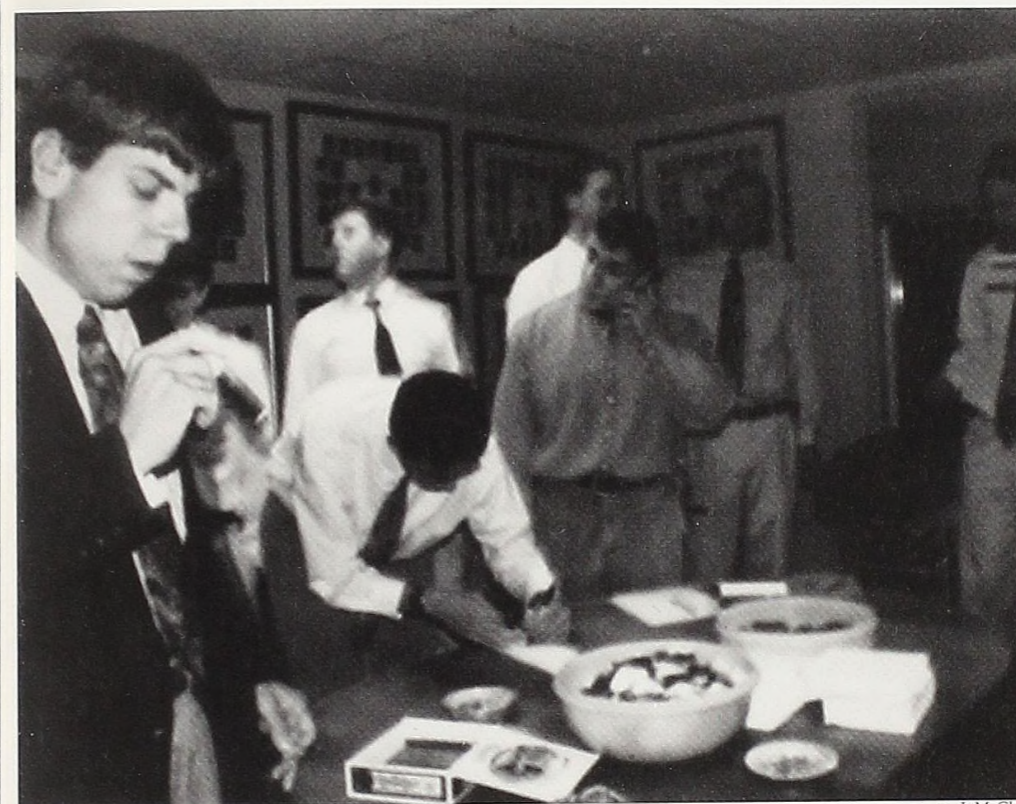
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E. Hart

Smokin'

Brothers share their celebration with cigars. The Brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon found support and encouragement in each other.



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Open Arms

During Winter Rush, the brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon opened the doors of their house to invite new men to learn about their organization.

Σ A E

Sigma Alpha Epsilon Active Members

Chris Ahn	Don Jess	Daniel Scripps
Derek Boyer	Jeff Joy	Matthew A. Sherman
Paul Brenton	Jay Koepke	Jerry Stassinopoulos
Keith Carey	Joel Krautstrunk	Scott Thomas
Paul Chittick	Sean Lewis	Randy U'Ren
Mason Converse	Don Light	Steve Vance
Steve Didocha	Bob Mabbitt	Eric Walton
Todd Driver	Scott Mantyla	Matt Wandrie
Ryan Fahler	Brandon Peters	Bill Zeedyk
Greg Follbaum	Joe Poot	Scott Hill
Kevin Forbing	Eric Radel	Faisal Khan
Mike Heying		Ray Tessier

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earning to Grow

Brothers Working Together

Sigma Alpha Epsilon brothers served the campus and the community to the best of their abilities. The brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon grew together in a variety of ways. Each individual brother supported the others.

Many of them assumed positions active in the campus life of the students. Several became active in Student

Congress as leaders and as representatives. Brothers involved themselves in ACUB events, athletics, and Greek events.

Outside of the campus the brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon worked to help their community. The fraternity organized philanthropic events to improve the lives of the people of the community.

It was during these philanthropic events that the brothers bonded and learned to work together.

"I joined SAE because the brothers are the types of people I like to have fun with whether we are hanging out or working on something," said Scott Hill '00.

-Cindy Fiedler '99

Keeping the Beat

Expanding Horizons While Continuing Traditions

The brothers of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia focused on their brotherhood as well as their music. The Annual Christmas Concert held in December and the American Music Concert brought in new faces, including the Jazz Band, and drew more faces to the Heritage Center. In addition, more individuals contributed to the performance.

The pledge class of winter term initiated a variety of new ideas. These

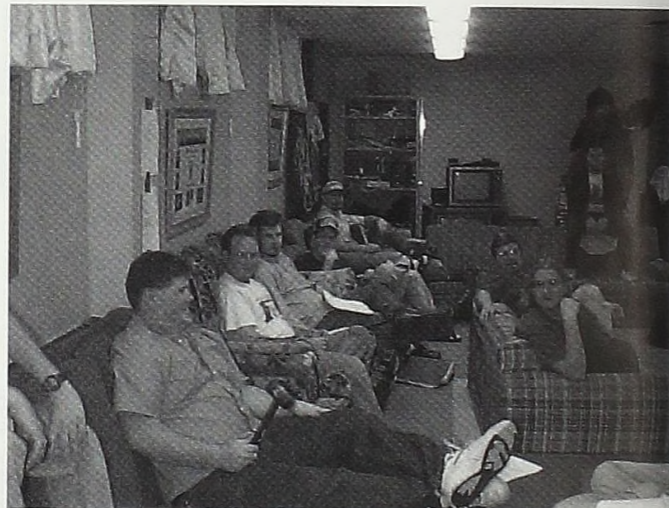
pledges organized Singing Valentines to raise funds for the fraternity. The Valentines were an ultimate success, selling out in three days, leaving the brothers to continue the fundraiser in future years.

In conjunction with the women's music fraternity, the brothers of Phi Mu Alpha sponsored a Jazz Festival for area high school students. The brothers organized performances, ushered, and even sold refreshments

in the Heritage Center throughout the day.

During spring term, members and friends gathered to form an intramural softball team. Though they decided to drop out of the league due to lack of organization from the athletic department, the team played many games against each other as well as other teams on their own.

-Cindy Fiedler '99



J. Martin

Supporting

The brothers of Phi Mu Alpha share the events of their week after a general business meeting. "My brothers in Sinfonia are not only my brothers, but they are also my friends," said Joey Martin '99.

"Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia is not just a fraternity dedicated to music and its advancement... It's a united brotherhood of kindred spirits."

-Mark Petrocelli '97 "Conson"

Φ M A

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Active Members

Brian Martin	Trevor Francisco	Tom Burzyck
Mark Petrocelli	Kevin Cardoni	Neil Hunt
Joseph Martin	Trey Garland	Christopher Stapels
Eric Grace	Scott Sanderson	Dan Johnston
Kent LaCroix	Karl Wolf	Andy Tallman
Eric Fitton	Mike Slater	Donald Sharp
Tim Marsh	Pat Carmody	Jackson Martin
	Jeff Potter	



B. Knust

Women In Music

Melinda Towns '98 leads her sisters Jen Brown '99, Angela Clark '99, Laurel Peterson '97, Lori Romeyn '99, Jenifer Zerba '99, Julie Shier '98 and Nicole Deja '99 in song during the "Women In Music" concert sponsored by Sigma Alpha Iota in honor of Women's History Month. The concert was held at the Strand Theater in town.



M. Terrian

Σ A I

Sigma Alpha Iota Active Members

Teresa Brooks	Annie Grover	Andrea Melow
Jennifer Brown	Michell Heinlen	Laurel Peterson
Angela Clark	Elizabeth Jones	Lisa Radulovich
Mary Dahlberg	Rebecca Kampa	Lori Romeyn
Amie Deichert	Sara Keinath	Julie Shier
Nicole Deja	Bethany King	Donna Thieme
Melissa Desjarlais	Diana King	Melinda Towns
Sandra Garrett	Karin Konrad	Roxanna Weisenbach
Nancy Gettel	Kate Lowry	Rebecca VanBruggen
Elaine Gooding	Erin McMillen	Jenifer Zerba



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Hitting the High Notes

Establishing Goals and Expectations

The sisters of Sigma Alpha Iota faced their first year with plans for events to establish themselves on campus as well as in the community. Throughout the year, they put on a concert at the Masonic Home, organized an instrumental petting zoo at St. Mary's Elementary School, performed in Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia's American Music Concert, sang at the Black History Month Exhibit Opening, Christmas caroled, sang in the Phi Mu Alpha

Christmas Concert, co-sponsored the First Annual SAI/PMA Alma College High School Jazz Festival, and sponsored "A Toe Tappin' Evening with SAI," "A Study In Swing," and "Women's Composers Concert."

"I am most proud of our Women Composer's concert," said Jen Brown '99. Melinda Towns '98 explained the Instrumental Petting Zoo: "This was an informational day that we did for the 3rd and 4th

graders about different instruments. Each SAI who came played an instrument and explained what their instruments do and the type of music they could play."

This fraternity of women met and exceeded goals they had established over the course of the year. "SAI has come a long way this year. It has grown in ways I did not think were possible," said Lisa Radulovich '98.

-Cindy Fiedler '99

Unity

The members of Gamma Phi Beta entertain the crowd during walk-outs. The sisters formed a circle to perform and have some fun in the process before welcoming their new pledges.



J. McClain



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“Being a Gamma Phi means being part of one of the greatest group of women I’ve ever met, making life-long friendships and learning about people’s similarities and differences.”
-Karyll Groty '00

Welcome

Gamma Phi Beta members Amanda Schafer '99 and Holly Hammerle '99 run to greet their latest pledge, Sarah Bourdo '99.



J. McClain

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ncouragement and Support

Achieving Goals Through Group Effort

The members of Gamma Phi Beta radiated with pride and determination—and had some fun achieving their goals.

“We have a strong sense of pride in our organization, and I think that is very visible to the campus,” said Stacy Silk '97.

“I was really impressed with the women involved and the sisterhood I felt among them,” said Karyll Groty '00. “They are such a great

group of women with respect for themselves and for others that I really admire.”

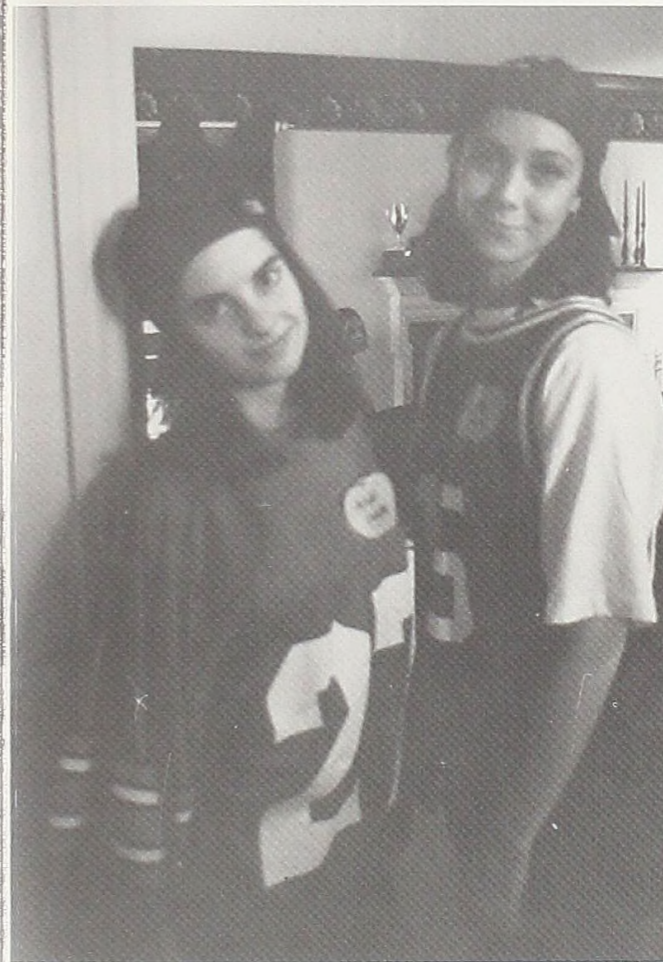
These sisters worked together in support of each other, aspiring to personal and organizational goals. The members often found fun, relaxation, and stress relief in the time they spent together.

“There are so many things that Gamma Phis have done together, each experience is unique and

exciting. I will never forget the good times that we have shared,” said Stacy.

“My favorite Gamma Phi event this year was our ‘Crush Party’. We all wrote down on a piece of paper who we had a crush on, and all the guys met us at the bowling alley for a date,” said Erin LaCrosse '99. “We had a blast! It was so much fun; it was like a double date times 50!”

-Cindy Fiedler '99



M. Terrian

Boo
Kristi Didocha '98 and Holly Hammerle '99 pose in their Goo Phoo Boo costumes. The sisters of Gamma Phi Beta once again sponsored their annual Halloween Goo Phoo Boo Haunted House for the entire campus to enjoy.



Gamma Phi Beta Active Members

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| Sarah Abbey | Karyll Groty | Galina Martin |
| Heather Alverson | Bree Hall | Kelly McCoy |
| Amy Batch | Holly Hammerle | Emily McDonnell |
| Katie Berry | Emily Heiss | Colleen McGrath |
| Sarah Bourdo | Melissa Heist | Carrine Miller |
| Mandy Bowler | Sarah Heyd | Katie Mitzner |
| Jill Braun | Staci Hill | Chey Phelps |
| Lori Carlson | Sarah Hoeft | Kristin Randolph |
| Amber Corneille | Jill Hopkins | Beth Rosenau |
| Stephanie Craig | Kim Irish | Jackie Sauter |
| Molly Crawford | Emily Jefferson | Katie Sauter |
| Maggie Czachor | Sara Jefferson | Amanda Schafer |
| Kristi Didocha | Sarah Jones | Martha Schaefer |
| Dawn DiPonio | Sarah Kampf | Christie Serniak |
| Jatell Driver | Keisha Karlson | Mary Serwick |
| Deena Evans | Heather Klepper | Stacy Silk |
| Liz Feltner | Jen Knight | Angie Stoutenberg |
| Kate Follet | Kris Kuhna | Kristi Trisch |
| Hillary Firlick | Erin LaCrosse | Lori Tulgetske |
| Autumn Garrett | Beth Lau | Kristi Wassa |
| Kristin Gilbert | Kim MacLauren | Carolyn Whyte |
| Megan Graham | Alissa Malsom | Julie Wilson |
| Heidi Grantham | | Jill Woehrmann |

Style

The brothers of Sigma Chi cruise Superior Avenue in style. The fraternity was one of many who participated in the Homecoming Parade.



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Providing Fun For All

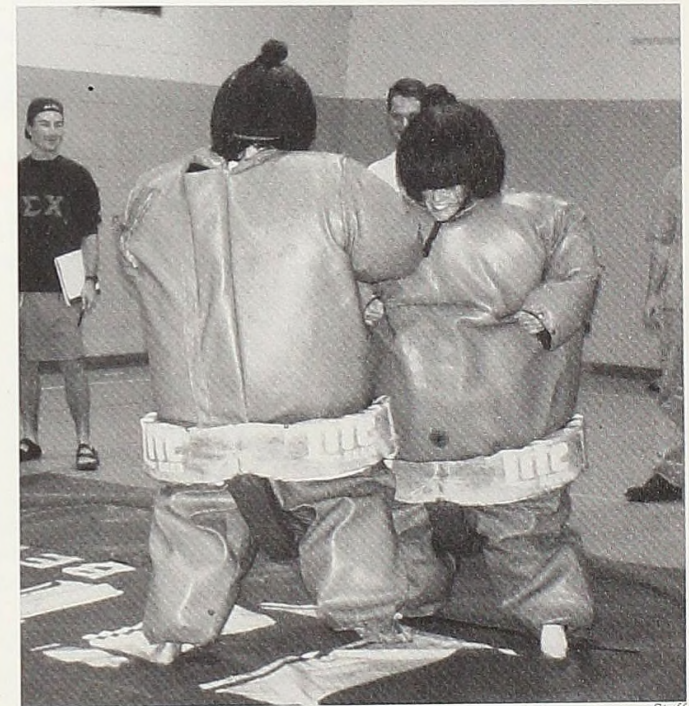
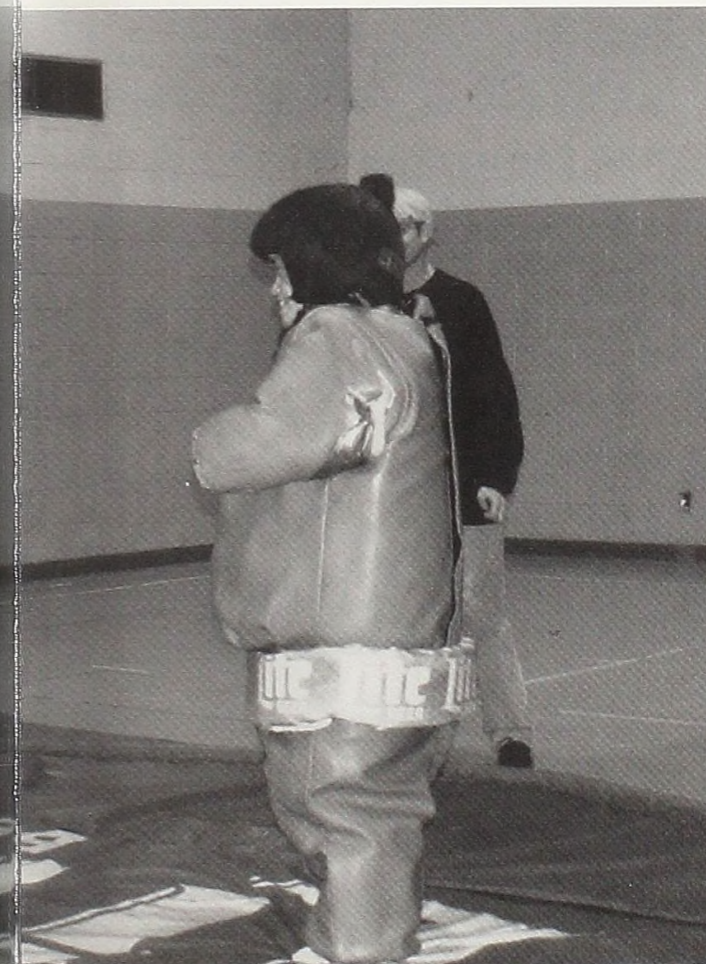
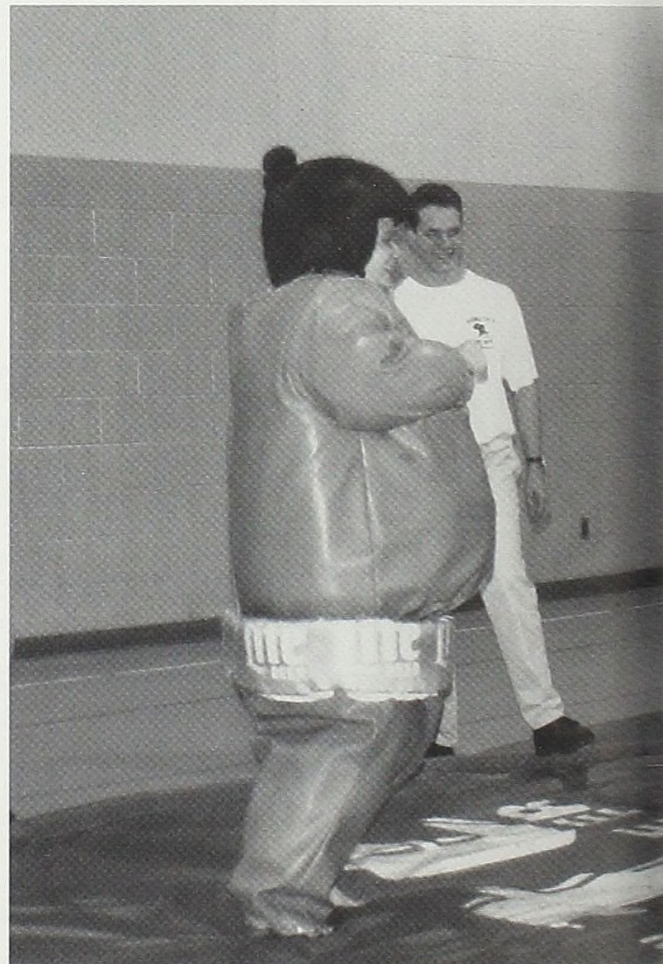
The brothers of the Sigma Chi fraternity extended a warm welcome and invitation to the entire campus community. They worked hard to organize a variety of activities for everyone. They appealed the members of the sorority community by conducting their annual

fundraiser. The girl who had raised the most money was crowned the Sweetheart of Sigma Chi.

The Sigma Chi Derby Days were also continued, following the footsteps of tradition. Derby Days provided a variety of activities for the campus community to participate

in. The most exciting of these events was the Sumo Wrestling opportunity. The brothers once again rented these enormous suits for students to wear while attacking their friends. The event created lots of laughs and fun for all.

-Cindy Fiedler '99

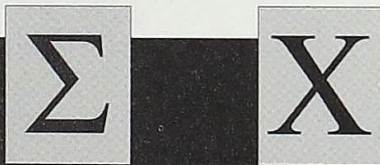


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Wrestling

Sumo Wrestling, sponsored by the brothers of Sigma Chi, was one of the most popular events of the year. (Above) Amity Miller '98 charges her opposition. (Left) Danielle Sullivan '97 challenges her Kappa Iota sister Laura Ringle '97.

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Sigma Chi Active Members

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| Matt Allen | Scott Ferrante | Jason Paetz |
| Sean Babbit | Jay Fiedler | Eric Reed |
| Loren Baidas | Jason Fischer | Curt Schubert |
| Tim Caister | Steve Fitzpatrick | David Scott |
| Erik Cargill | Zachary Goral | Bob Seger |
| Jim Coe | Jason Gray | Pat Stack |
| Troy Cox | Matt Hallead | Chris Tapley |
| John Croff | Jeff Hicks | Ben Tollenaar |
| Brian Crum | Josh Hicks | Craig Tollenaar |
| Chris Dawson | Jerry Howard | Derrick Veale |
| Chris Deming | Ryan Kidd | Jeff Wentzloff |
| Chad Douglass | Tim Lynott | Andy Willmer |
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Academics

Planning

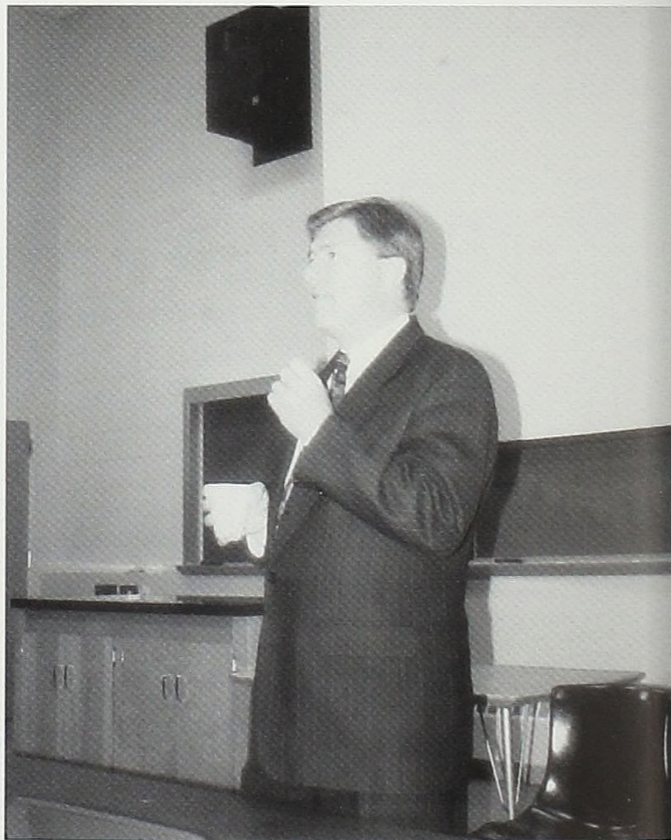
Eric Walton '97 converses with a representative from one of the various companies who participated in the fair. The career fair was held in VanDusen for students to utilize for information and opportunities. Many students found it beneficial for future plans.



M. Terrian

Reality

Speaker Bob Lozier, CNN anchorman, addresses students on his success in broadcast journalism. Atul Patel '97 was responsible for Mr. Lozier's visit to the campus. Atul requested he speak after spending a summer internship at CNN studios.



E. Hart

Even though students enrolled for individual reasons, each of them came for the same basic reason: education. Many students arrived with set goals, while others were seeking direction. Each individual could receive guidance from many of the career counseling and career activities provided by various departments.

While planning for the future, students utilized the opportunities provided for the here and now. Many

students resided overseas and around the country for the experience of a lifetime. Those who remained on campus were often present for presentations by guest speakers or faculty.

In the classrooms students filled the positions of Teaching Assistants while others worked in departmental offices. When

"Having a liberal arts education will help you enter the working world, even if you don't find a job in your major."

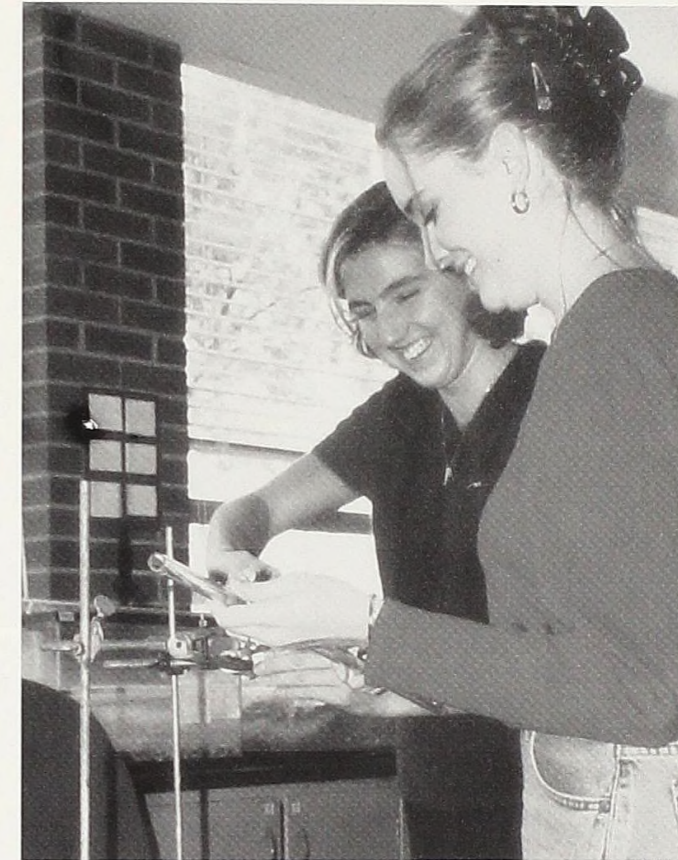
-Mark Skinner '97

students weren't working toward major requirements, they worked to fill distributive requirements designated by the college.

Students who resided off campus looked at their academic life from a different perspective. Commuters worked to fulfill what was expected of them through different

Hands-On

Heather Hays '97 and Renee DeGraaf '98 team up to successfully execute a chemistry experiment. Lab courses were required for many science classes, and also fell into the distributive requirements.



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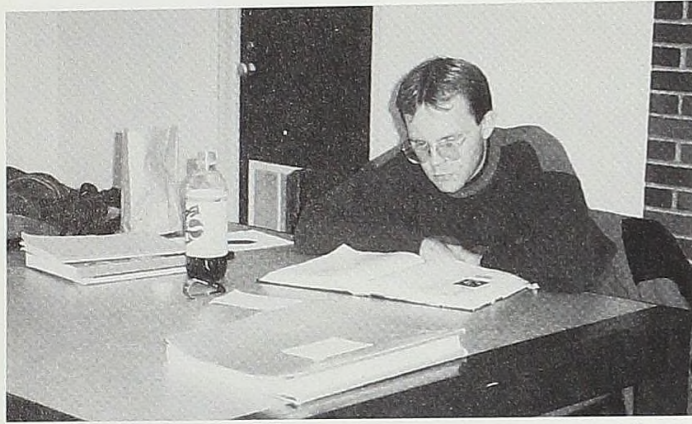
means. They developed different study habits and worked to complete assignments on their own.

Over time students and professors established unique relationships inside and outside the classroom. Professors learned individual traits of their students and mutually respectful relationships developed. Professors also began to share their life beyond education with their students.

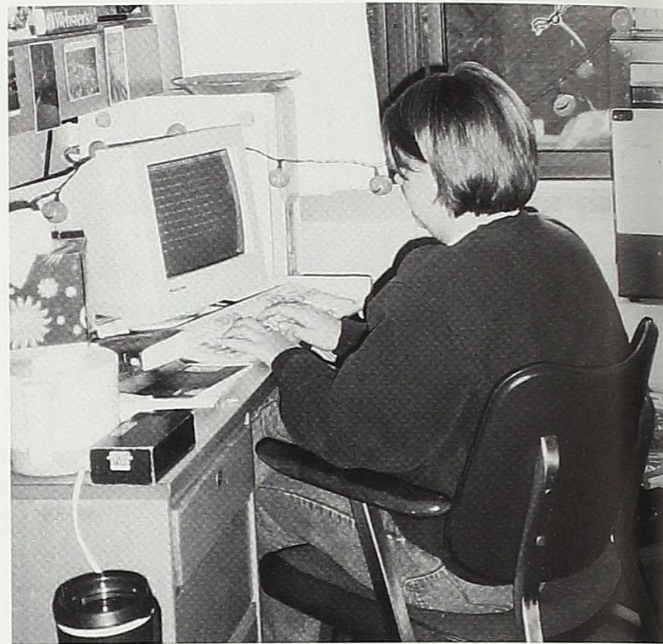
-Cindy Fiedler '99

Chris Johnston '97 studies diligently in the library. Many students went to the library for peace and quiet.

Allison Shaver '00 works on a paper for her English 101 class. Having a computer in the room saved her time and a trip to the computer lab.



A. Burnett



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Necessary Business

A Chore of Student Life

Going to class, participating in sports, partying, sending e-mail, and sleeping were all common activities of student life. Did anyone ever study? Well, sometimes.

On average, students spent about three hours studying every night. Most professors said that approximately two to three hours of out of class studying was needed for each hour spent in class. It seemed, therefore, that students were putting studying a little farther down the list of priorities than some professors would have liked them to. After all, it was fairly easy to find something else to do besides study.

Procrastination took many forms: visiting with friends, talking on the phone, or chatting through e-mail. Teresa Dunn '00 commented, "I put homework off until 'later.' Then if I get around to it, it's usually two days after it's been gone over in class. If there's something on TV I want to watch, I'll do that instead of studying."

When students finally got around to studying, they used a variety of techniques to remember the material. Some students used flashcards to retain information; oth-

ers used rhymes. Ambitious students even recopied class notes to help make the information stick in their minds. Before an exam, students attended study sessions or worked in groups. When asked if studying in a group really helped, Melissa Strikulis '00 replied, "Yes. It made me think harder, and tested me to see if I really knew the info (instead of just thinking I did)." A disadvantage arose when friends socialized and not much studying was done.

Whether or not all this studying made a difference varied with each individual. Some students said they worked harder than their grades reflected, yet others disagreed. Teresa stated, "I believe my grades do reflect how much work I put into each class. The classes that I don't study hard in I'm doing worse in than in the classes where I do put in a lot of work." Either way, it's important to remember that grades weren't earned just by going to class. College students did study... sometimes.

-Amanda Burnett '00



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Martha Marsh '00 and Mitzi Janukaitis '00 take a study break in the Newberry Hall computer lab. Becoming hooked on e-mail was a popular form of procrastination.

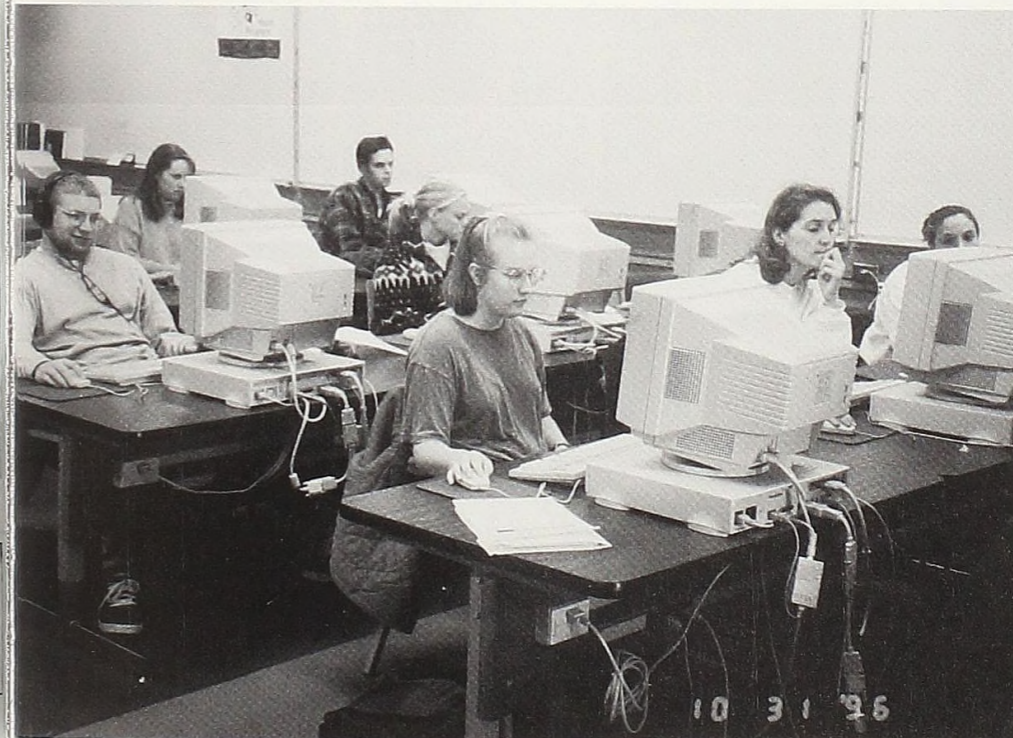


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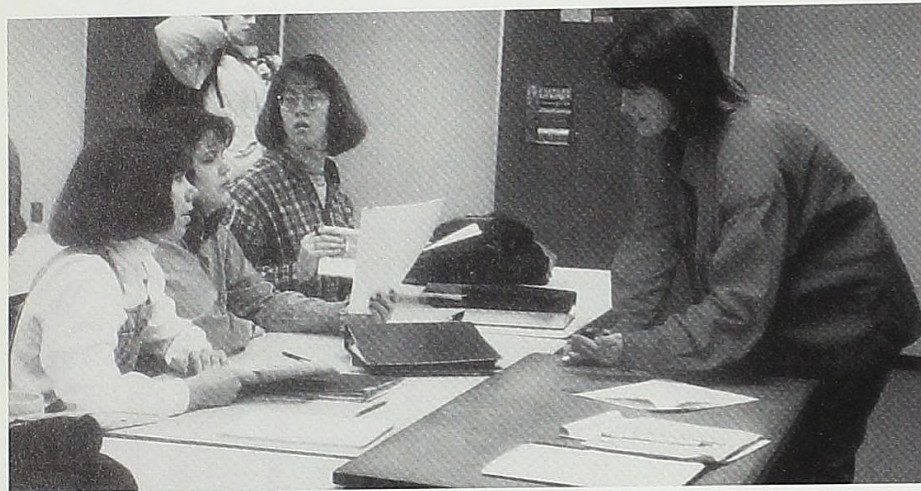
Dr. Verne Bechill
Sociology
Dr. Joe Beckmann
Biochemistry
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Are they working on their homework or just surfing the net? When the 1st floor computer lab at Swanson Academic Center was full, professors hoped at least some of the students were actually working.

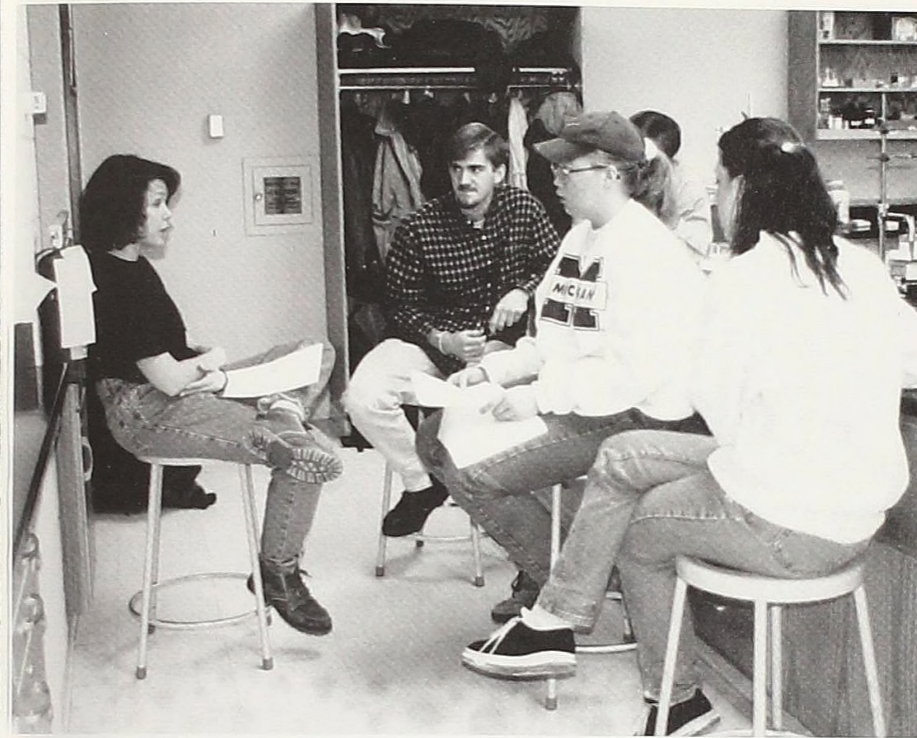


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Keri Hungerford, an English 101 professor, explains the current assignment to Kristin Kender '00, Heather Truszkowski '00, and Melissa Desjarlais '00. English 101 helped students develop their writing and composition skills.

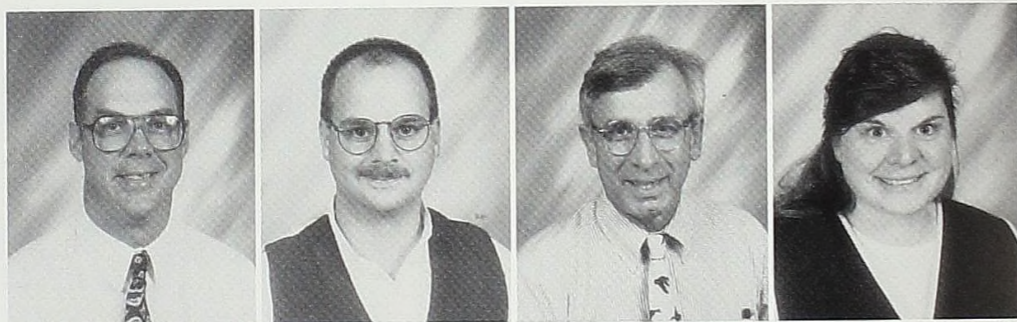


Jen Rocco '98 and partner practice a dance move in Carol Fike's Dance Experience class. Students had to take four credits of art, dance, or music to nurture their creative minds.

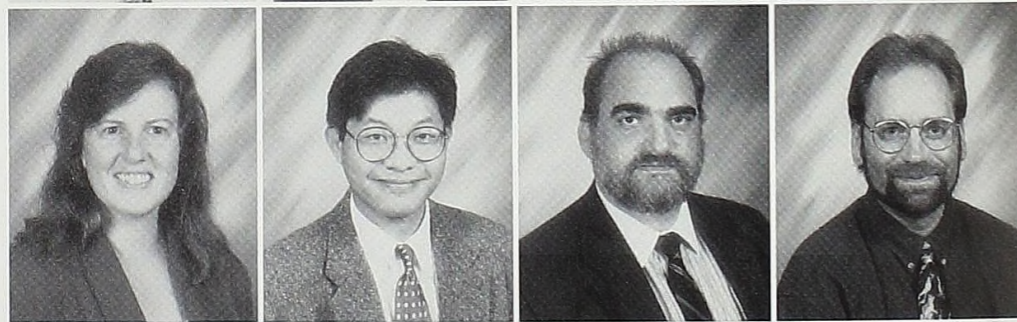


Dr. Laura Vosejka conducts a post-lab discussion with Paul Meek '00, Heather Hodgson '00, and Kris Martin '00 in Organic Chemistry lab. Students were required to take two science classes that had labs.

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Personnel and Conferences
Dr. Murray Borrello
Geology
Dr. Richard Bowker
Biology
Dr. Elizabeth Cameron
Business Administration



Dr. Laurel Carpenter
Mathematics and Computer Science
Dr. Wei Tsun Chang
Music
Dr. George Choksy
Economics
Dr. David Clark
Biology



Dr. Burnet Davis
Political Science
Dr. John Davis
Exercise and Health Science
Dr. Eugene Deci
Physics
Dr. Nicholas Dixon
Philosophy



Drawing to Dissecting

Classes You Never Thought You Would Take

In the 1995-1997 academic catalog, pages 32-35 were dedicated to the explanation of and reasoning behind general education requirements. In other words, the book spent about three pages trying to explain to students why taking an art or dance class would make them a better person or why theater majors should know how to perform basic chemistry experiments. Over the course of a student's four years, these requirements became very important. After all, if the distributive requirements weren't met, graduation became rather difficult.

While some students became frustrated with having to take so many classes which didn't seem to apply to their particular field of study, others saw an up side to the issue. Kevin

Stanley '00 said that distributive requirements "opened new doors," introducing many students to new fields of study and new opportunities. According to the catalog, distributive requirements were put in place "to provide a broad education and a solid foundation for all fields of concentration."

While the college may have had good intentions, the requirements could cause some distress when it came time to schedule classes. Many students with double majors or minors were already trying to juggle their schedules around so they could graduate in the usual four years; trying to fit in a class that fulfilled a distributive requirement when it was offered could be nerve-wracking, to

say the least. Some students avoided this hassle by taking these classes in their first few terms here. "I finished taking all of the required classes before my junior year, so I never had any problems fitting in classes for my double major," commented Brenda Fish '97.

Students were required to obtain basic skills in composition and computation and to sample classes in history, the fine arts, the social sciences, and the life and physical sciences. Distributive requirements weren't just important for your career; they're important for your life. Cindy Miller '98 stated: "You can't learn about the world if you only approach it from one angle."

—Amanda Burnett '00

Dr. Peter Dollard
Library Science
Dr. Deborah Dougherty
Foreign Languages
Dr. Steve Drahem
Theatre and Dance
Dr. Carol Fike
Dance



Dr. Kathleen Francis
Dance
Dr. Patrick Furlong
History
Dr. Karen Garner
History
Dr. Anna Gemrich
Foreign Languages



Dr. John Gibson
Physics
Dr. Joanne Gilbert
Communications
Dr. Tincy Goggin
Mathematics
Dr. Kay Grimnes
Biology



Unusual Hobbies

A World Beyond Teaching

Did you ever go to class Monday morning expecting to find out how you did on Friday's exam to be told that the professor didn't have time to finish grading them? Some students were still under the impression that professors had nothing better to do than grade exams and prepare lectures. While these activities ranked high on most professors' to do list, there were many other things they would rather do.

During Preterm, Dr. Gibson shared his hobby with first year students. Dr. Gibson had been a licensed amateur radio operator for 11 years. Becoming a licensed radio operator was one of those things Dr. Gibson assumed he would "do someday," but when his son had the chance to

learn morse code in Boy Scouts, Gibson proposed they learn amateur radio together. Dr. Gibson was president of the local amateur radio club. "The most important aspect of it is social-public service and friendships," said Dr. Gibson.

When Dr. Robyn Anderson went home at the end of the day, she had a new baby waiting for her. Four month old Cali stayed with a babysitter during the day, but Anderson visited with her at lunch and picked her up in the afternoon. Anderson admitted that trying to be a professional and a mother at the same time was difficult. "Balancing the two is never easy," she commented. "It's neat to watch her develop. She's a total joy to all of us."

Taking a more artistic approach to her leisure time, Dr. Kay Grimnes learned the art of weaving. Grimnes considered herself a beginner even though she knew some advanced techniques. She preferred the look of fairly basic patterns. Dr. Grimnes took classes to practice her skills. These workshops provided a learning environment, and time to devote to her projects. Dr. Grimnes worked on placemats and napkins as a friend's wedding gift. The colors matched the couple's dishware, showing Dr. Grimnes' hobby allowed her to give "a more personal gift, one that couldn't be found in a store."

—Amanda Burnett '00



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Dr. Kay Grimnes works on a new project at her classic weaving loom. Dr. Grimnes' plan was to borrow the loom from a friend, but she ended up keeping it because she enjoyed her new hobby so much.

Dr. Robyn Anderson with her four month old baby Cali. Dr. Anderson thinks "everything about her" is wonderful, as do many mothers.



T. Lounds



A. Burnett

Zachary Tomaszewski '00, Dr. John Gibson, and Kevin Stanley '00 make a visit to the amateur radio station on campus. With Dr. Gibson's help, both Zachary and Kevin earned amateur radio licenses during Preterm.



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Using very careful and precise techniques, Dr. Grimnes adds another threading to her Navajo rug. Dr. Grimnes learned how to do this type of weaving at the second workshop she attended in Wisconsin.

Peers Educate

Learning Through Assistance

Teaching Assistants could be found around campus organizing professors offices and lab stockrooms, making copies, grading papers, listening to foreign-language students speak, holding study sessions, or assisting in labs.

Some may ask why students spent their free time doing this. It could be because of the paychecks that it gave them, but most T.A.'s said it was more.

"I was thinking of going into teaching and assisting in the lab made

me think more about it," said Felicia Farr '98, a general chemistry lab assistant.

Biology lab assistant Ryan Wilson '99 said, "You know that you know the material if you can teach it to someone else."

Labs and study sessions "run more smoothly with T.A.'s than just with the professors. They explain things differently, on a different level. Plus, they are our peers, so students do not feel so intimidated asking them

"Making copies doesn't teach a lot, but you get very acquainted with the professor"

-Becca Barclay '00

questions," said Chris Stapels '98, a physics major who took many labs through physics and chemistry courses.

Most T.A.'s chose to work both fall and winter term. However, most professors reviewed the students' applications each term, which allowed students in sports or other activities to work at assisting their peers in either term.

-Carrie Kaminski '99

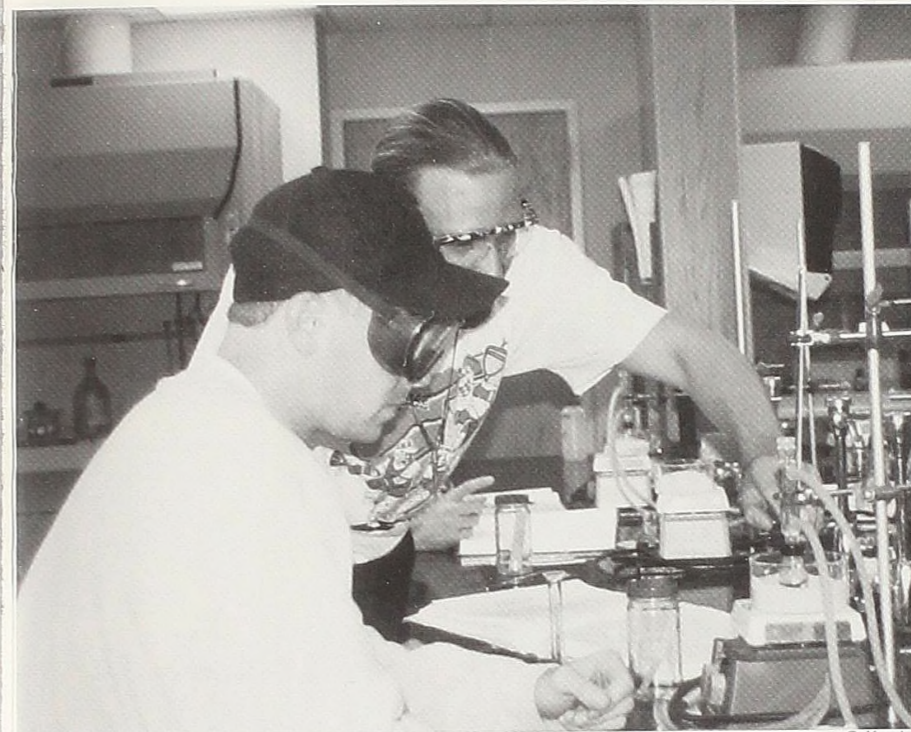
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Dr. Sandy Hulme
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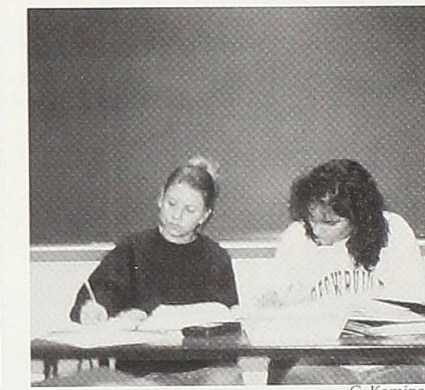


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Francis Lichtman
Math
Dr. Edward Lorenz
History-Political Science
Dr. Leslie Love
Psychology



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Lab assistant John Zielinski '98 explains the organic chemistry reaction taking place to Xavier Fickel '99. After the first few weeks, some students began asking their lab assistants questions on class work also.

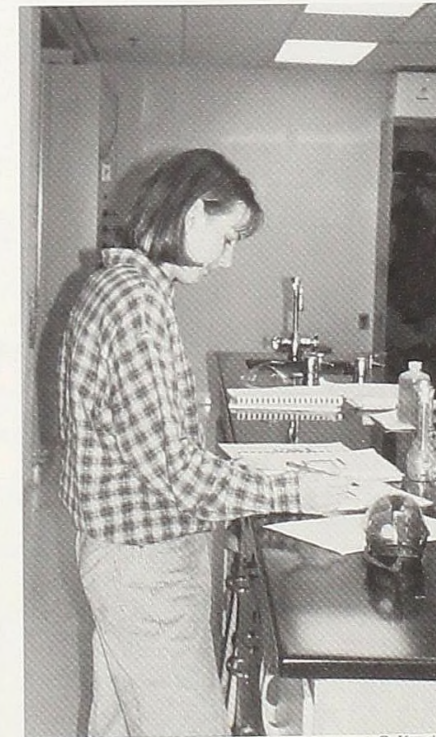


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Susan Herrgott '00 tries to follow the technique Jill McEachin '99 demonstrates while solving calculus problems. Jill, a math major for secondary education, said, "Starting one on one with students will get me ready for teaching thirty students at once."



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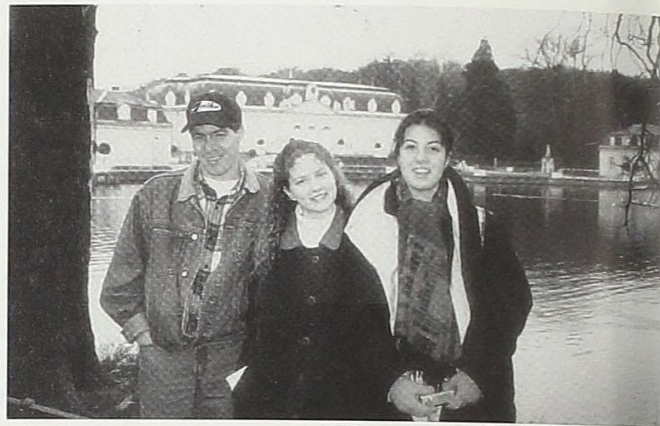
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Patrick Carmody '99 prepares for his physic lab. Professors depended on T.A.'s to be knowledgeable in their subject in the lab, for study sessions, and grading papers. They also expected good communication skills and the ability to solve unforeseen problems.

Amy Burns '99 works to finish grading lab reports before Ms. Barbara Spartz begins lab. While graders and lab assistants were hired separately, general chemistry lab T.A.'s were responsible for grading the students' lab reports, since they were more familiar with what happened in lab to know how harshly an area should be graded.

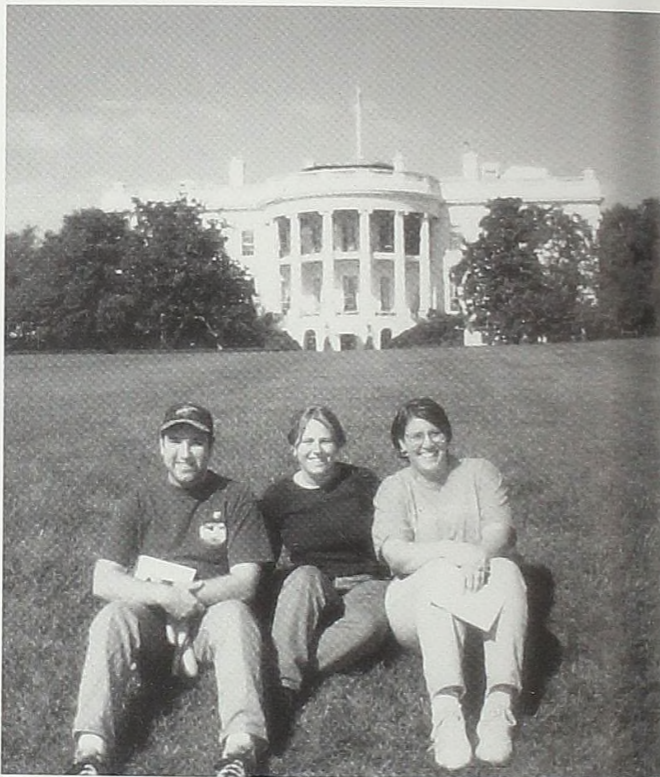
"Greetings from Deutschland! Going overseas for a term was one of the best decisions I've ever made. Not only did I gain confidence and a sense of independence, I also formed unique friendships with students from all over the world. Here I'm pictured with Sophie from Paris, who became one of my best friends, and Chad from Minnesota. Here we are off on one of our weekend excursions visiting a castle in Dresden, Germany."

-Julie Gerken '99



"This picture was taken on the South Lawn of the White House in October during my internship. As a political science and communication double major, this picture holds great significance to me. The White House and Washington DC in general are strong symbols of power, leadership and achievement both politically and for the nation as a whole. I feel honored to have been able to witness the center of our government."

-Kristen Miquel '97

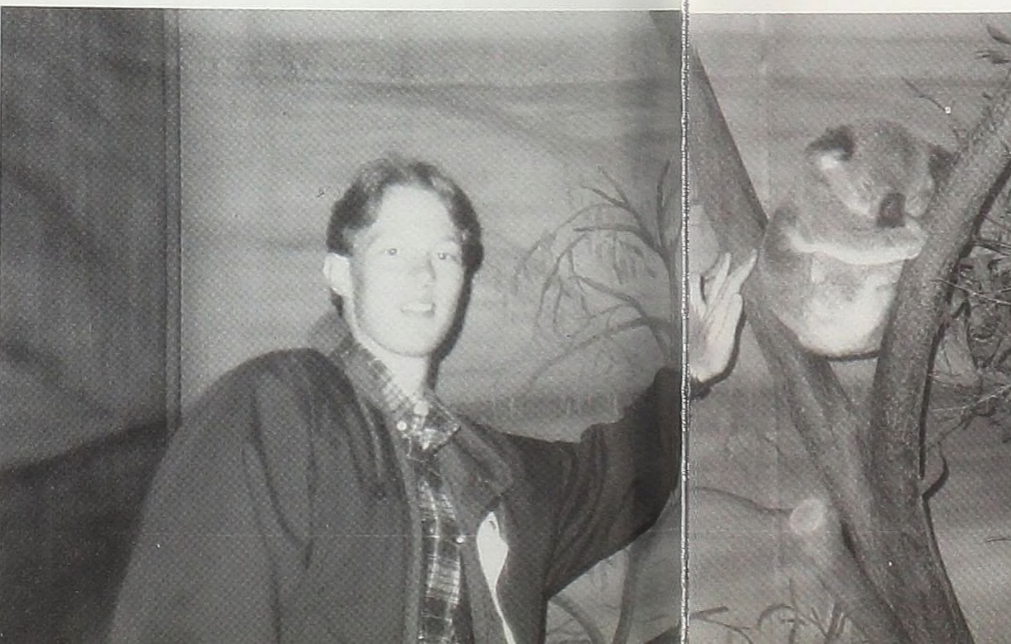


"This is a picture of some of the students and teachers at Europe Kolleg, where I studied in Kassel, Germany for three and a half months. This was the last day of classes at the school before we all had to leave. A party was thrown so we could say good-bye. This was the hardest part, knowing I would probably never see them again."

-Jessica Greig '98

"I am at a zoo in Australia standing next to a Koala Bear. Though Australia is quite similar to America, it was interesting to see things in life that we have to see in books. I learned so many facts about life and society by being overseas that I did not learn at Alma."

-Wade Renando '97



Dr. Howard Lubert
Political Science
Bishop Thomas Makarios
Religious Studies
Dr. Ronald Massanari
Religious Studies/Philosophy
Dr. Myles McNally
Math/Computer Science

Dr. Robert Molina
Math
Dr. Mahmood Monshipouri
Political Science
Thomas Morris
Dance
Dr. James V. Mueller
Economics

Dr. Melvin Nyman
Math/Computer Science
Dr. John Ottenhoff
English
Dr. William Palmer
English
Carrie Parks Kirby
Art and Design

Study Abroad

Students Permeate Boundaries

Approximately two dozen students chose to gain knowledge of foreign cultures. Most of these students were foreign language majors, for they are required to spend a minimum of one semester in a respective foreign speaking country. Other students, non-foreign language majors, chose to experience a foreign culture. Scotland and Australia were popular English speaking countries to spend a semester.

Six of the two dozen students attended an overseas program in both fall and winter terms. Renee Affholder '99, a Spanish major, is planning to spend both terms next year in Mexico. "I am not too comfortable with speaking Spanish. Spending a whole year in Mexico will make me learn faster. With all the cultural experiences there, I will also be greatly motivated," said Renee.

Students were given the

opportunity to participate in an internship for a semester. Martha Gilchrist, instructor of Chemistry, said "A student who spends a semester working in a company, participating in research, or studies in another country is given a chance to be in the real world and then can decide if that is what they want to study. Those that do not may decide they want a specific career after they finished schooling.

- Carrie Kaminski '99

Off Campus

A Different Life Style

Imagine not eating at Hamilton, getting mail from boxes labeled "A" through "Z", trying to schedule classes one after another. For over two hundred members of the student population that lived off campus, these were familiar things. Whether living with family, friends, or in off-campus housing, they agreed that it had both advantages and

disadvantages.

"You're living by your own rules, making your own decisions, cooking your own meals. Staying off campus is more demanding than living in dorms," said Anne Murphy '98, who lives with friends.

"When you don't have classes right after another, you sit in the lobbies and wait. On lab days, you are there all day,

never going back to your room like the students that live in the dorms," said Melinda Westheimer '97, an apartment resident of Alma.

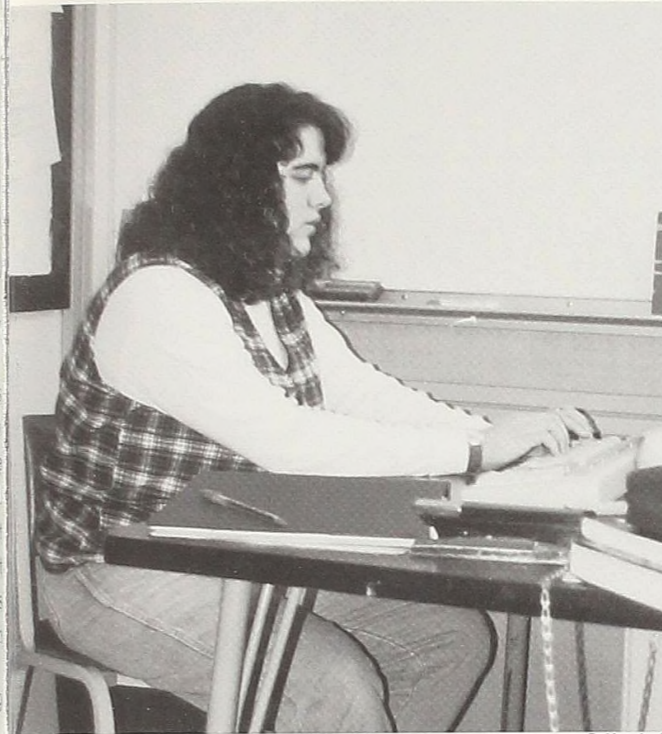
"The last three years, I lived at home. Now, I got an apartment off campus. I miss home, but I have found my independence and the skills to live away from home," said Dave Rich '97. Dave lived in an off

campus apartment supplied by the college.

Some first year commuters missed Opening Convocation in the fall term because were unaware that it was required. Most first year students that lived on campus found out about this policy and others through the upperclassmen who lived in their dorms.

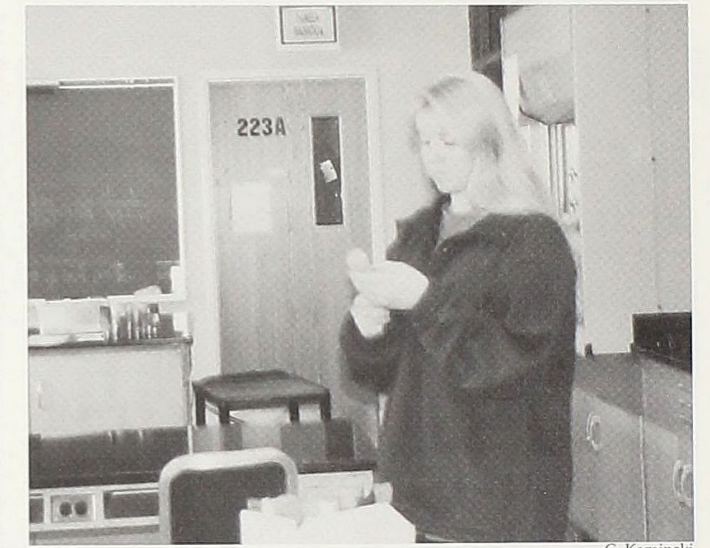
-Carrie Kaminski '99

Anna Moeggenborg '99 checks e-mail between classes. Students living off campus used the college's e-mail system just as the students living on campus did. When commuters had time to pass, e-mailing was a popular choice for catching up with friends.



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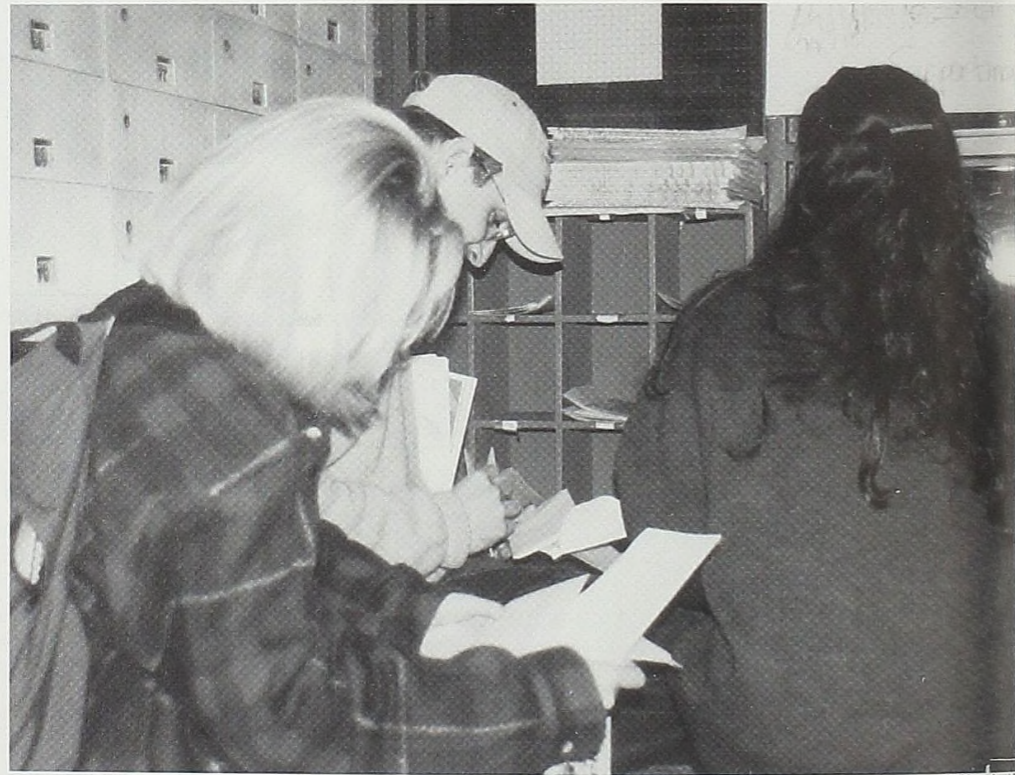
Mailee Woods '98 counts her fruit flies. Genetics lab students had to successfully cross fruit flies. This required students to go to the lab between 8am to 11pm. For off campus students, "the challenge was to squeeze it in-between classes so they did not have to come at night and park so far away," Mailee



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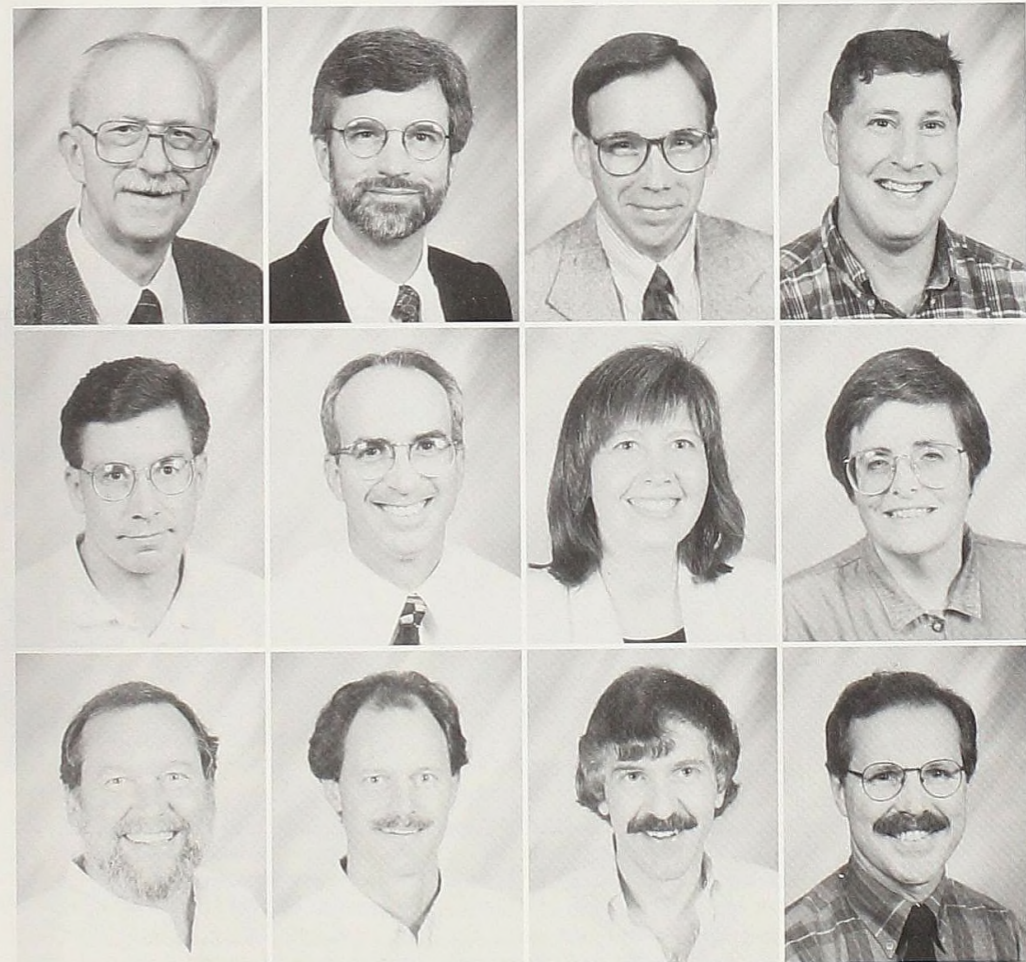
"Because I live at home, I was hardly aware of the campus organizations. This is the first year that I joined one. I wish I joined this [UCS] sooner, not my last year here."

-Anna Willman '97



C. Kaminski

Kim Clark '97, Dave Rich '97, and Anna Willman '97, go through the boxes labeled with letters to find their campus mail. Students had to sort through the stack of mail that belongs to other students. "We never get all the stuff we are supposed to get. We miss a lot of things happening around campus. And if we do get information about an event, it is usually too late," said Kim.



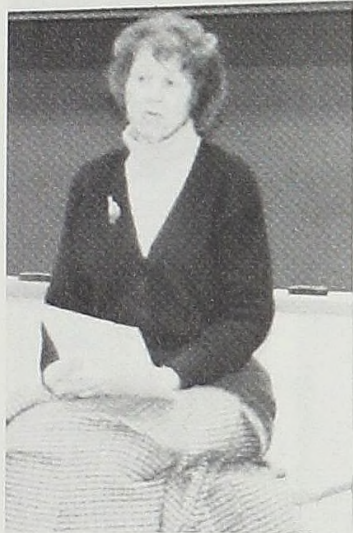
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Dr. Brian Reynolds
Biology

Dr. Tony Rickard
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Dr. Donna Ronan
Psychology
Dr. Susan Root
Education

Douglas Scripps
Music
Dr. Doug Seelbach
Exercise and Health Science
Dr. Michael Selmon
English
Timothy Sipka
Math-Computer Science

Clark Abel '99, Joel Sandersen '99, and William Doyle '00 enjoy dinner with their economics professors. New activities were the Major Decisions dinners which offered students the opportunity to dine with staff from a specific department.

On March 17, the Pre-Med club brought Mrs. Christensen, a speaker from the University of Michigan Medical School, to campus. The Pre-Med club was formed in January to offer another resource to students thinking about medical school.



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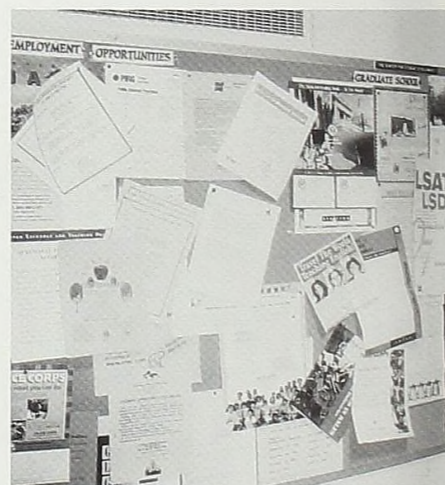


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B. Knust

The Center for Student Development: Mindy Sargent, Associate Dean, Kalindi Trietley, Associate Dean, Carolyn Schneider, Assistant Dean, and Dr. Bob Perkins, Dean.



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This board, located outside of the Center for Student Development, displays graduate school and employment opportunities for students. Bulletin boards such as this were located all over campus.



Kevin Skaggs
Exercise and Health Science
Dr. Carol Slater
Psychology
Dr. Jonieta Stone
Education
Dr. Melissa Strait
Chemistry

Dr. Jane Thorsen
Mathematics
Dr. Timm Thorsen
Sociology
Dr. Michael Trebesh
Business Administration
Dr. Michael Vickery
Communication

Dr. Laura Smith Vosejпка
Chemistry
Dr. Joseph Walser
Religious Studies
Dr. Larry Wittle
Biology
Dr. Michael Yavenditti
History

Looking Ahead

Helping Students Plan for the Future

What are you going to do when you graduate? What's your major? Have you found an internship or a job? Do you want to go to graduate school? Do you have the necessary skills to get a job? Who can help you answer these questions?

The Center for Student Development, located in the lower level of Hamilton Commons, was a major resource center for students looking for guidance in planning their futures. Dr. Bob Perkins, Dean of Student Development, said the Center was "primarily responsible for student services...which includes academic support services, counseling services, internships, career planning and placement. I include substance abuse prevention

and intervention. We are also the primary contact for disabled students."

The Center produced a newsletter entitled "Experience," a listing sent to students concerning summer jobs and internships. While the newsletter contained mostly information relevant to juniors and seniors, improvements were being made to include more opportunities for first-year students and sophomores.

The Center offered programs tailored to fit students' needs at different steps in their academic careers. The first-year program was Self, College, and Career; the sophomore program was Major Decisions. The junior program was Career

Directions, and the senior program was Senior Sequence: a series of workshops held on Labor Day weekend, followed up by individual interviews. Other career opportunities included a career fair and Chicago interview trips throughout the year.

The services of the Center and the quality education obtained produced a marketable combination. "Ninety-four percent of graduates either get jobs or go on to grad school within six months," said Dr. Perkins. From newsletters and confidential counseling appointments to trips to Chicago and job placement workshops, the Center for Student Development helped prepare students for the future.

-Amanda Burnett '00

Honors Day

A Celebration of the Liberal Arts

“Over the years, Alma College has developed an excellent reputation for involving students in high-level scholarship. Students and faculty work side by side in the laboratory, library and studio to explore new and exciting ideas in the sciences, social sciences, humanities and fine performing arts. Our students have presented the results of their work in a number of local, national, and international venues. The purpose of Honors Day will to celebrate scholarly activities in the liberal arts.”

— Honors Day Committee

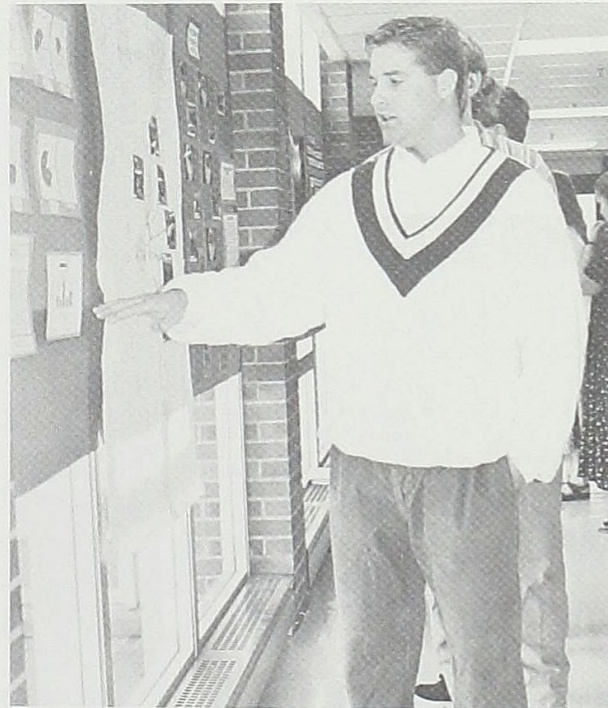
Honors Day extended the familiar Honors Convocation into an all day event. Presenting their work were 125 students from 24 different departments. The campus was given a schedule of these presentations. A special luncheon was held for student presenters and their advisors. After their presentation, students received and certificate of honor

and an abstract book describing everyone's work. The night before Honors Day, students presenting could be found practicing their lectures with video equipment or cutting and pasting their poster. “DOW was my home that week. My group wanted to finish collecting all the data before making our poster. After we finally finished

it on Honors Day, we were surprised and pleased at what we accomplished,” said Sarah Cable '97. “I hope Honors Day will become an annual event on campus. Students and faculty are excited about the presentations,” said Honors Day Committee Chair, John Davis, associate professor of Exercise and Health. Dr. Laura

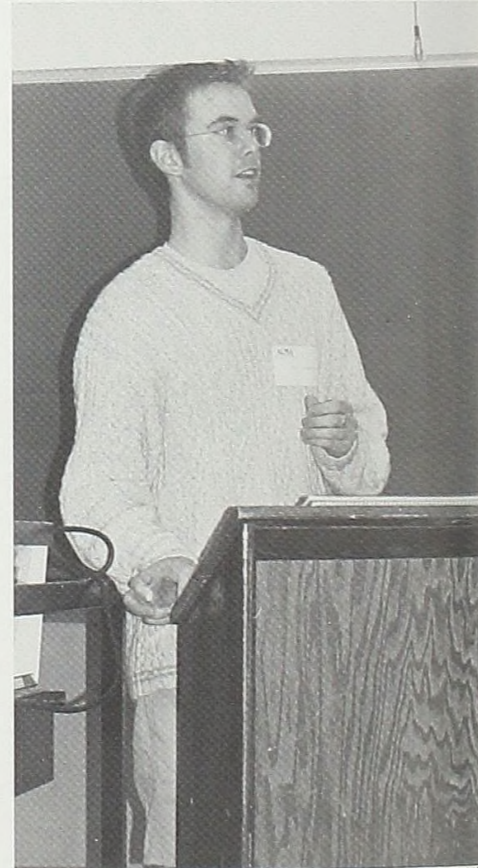
Smith Vosejka, Professor of Chemistry, was also on the committee. She commented that “the turn out was better than we expected.” Some students viewed this day as a day with no classes. Many, however, took full advantage of the presentations and attended them throughout the entire day. - Carrie Kaminski '99

Andrew Scanlan '99 describes the group's analysis of Horse Creek. Andrew worked with Richard Buszek '99 and Sarah Cable '97 as they explored the chemical and geological aspects of the stream. Horse Creek served as the wastewater discharge for the Total Petroleum Refinery in Alma. The group also presented their findings at the Great Lakes College Chemistry Conference at Michigan State University.



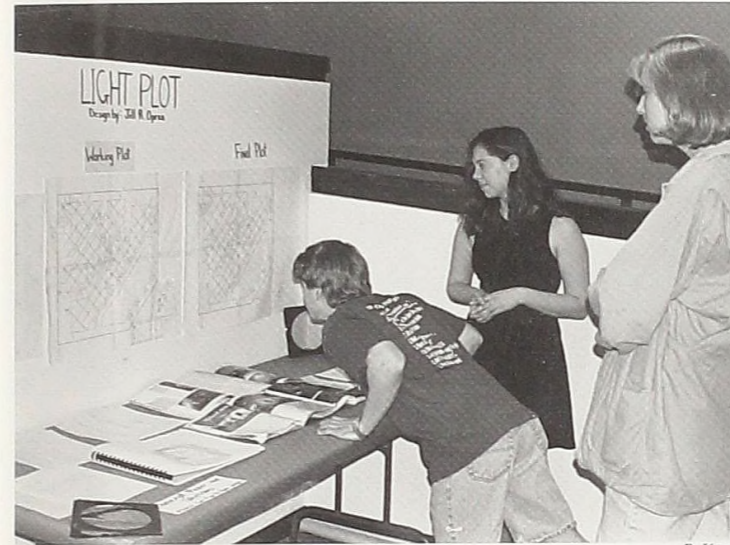
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John Chambers '97 presents his paper on the “belligerent” debate between late-modernism and post-modernism architectural design. He discussed how architects of the two designs were trying to sell theirs to the public, discrediting the other style. John, an Art and Design major, also presented his college artwork which demonstrated his interest in architecture.



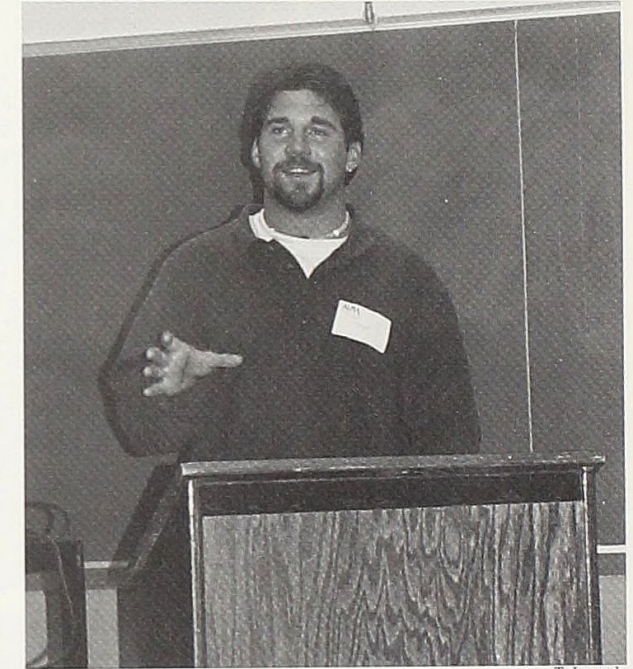
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Standing by the display for the theater's production of “Sight Unseen” by Donald Margulies and awaiting questions from Christopher Stapels '98 and Terri Cooper '99 is Jill Oprea '97. This exhibit displayed the work of Rebekah Doyles '97, costumes, April Emery '97, scenery, Joe Johnston '97, directing, and Jill, lighting. Mark Andrews '97, Elizabeth Bullmer '97, Brian Papendick '98, and Kristi Stariha '00 acted in the production.



B. Knust

Mark Skinner '97 answers questions after his oral sociology presentation of “Media Images of Malcolm X and Martin Luther King, Jr.” All presentation during Honors Day were open to the public as well as any questions the public had.



T. Lounds

Faculty Not Pictured

<i>Art and Design</i> Sandy Lopez-Isnardi Rhonda Pochert Robert Rozier	<i>English</i> Trisha Jurkiewicz Dr. Ute Stargardt	<i>Music</i> Dr. Scott Messing Donald Metcalf Dr. William Nichols Kevin Smith William Weaver
<i>Biology</i> Dr. Arlan Edgar Dr. Richard Roeper	<i>Exercise and Health Science</i> Dr. Charles Gray	<i>Physics</i> Dr. Paul Splitstone
<i>Business Administration</i> Dr. Susan Kadlec Susan Sommerville	<i>French</i> Dr. Julie Arnold	<i>Political Science</i> Dr. Thaddeus Zolty
<i>Chemistry</i> Martha Gilchrist Dr. Scott Hill	<i>Gerontology</i> Dr. Larry Lawhorne	<i>Psychology</i> Tom Batchelder
<i>Dance</i> Elizabeth Weaver	<i>History</i> Dr. James Schmidtke Dr. Phyllis Swanson Dr. Catherine Tobin Keith Wise	<i>Sociology</i> Gina Petonito
<i>Education</i> George Gibbs Dr. Lynda Ludy William McKinstry	<i>Library Science</i> Anne Lawhorne	

Jenny Dulz '00 listens as Eryn Hart '00 describes her three pastel/charcoal collages that depict the pain, suffering, and desolation of a rape victim. She created this triptych “after witnessing the death of an elder victim,” said Eryn. “I was working with a medical response team at the time. She was beaten by her husband. I have never seen bruises so dark.”

T. Lounds

State Representative Larry DeVuyst explains the recent breakup of the DNR, its impacts, and future plans. DeVuyst was a speaker for Students United for Nature (S.U.N.) lecture series "Environmental Quality in Michigan". This series was "created to educate students on the quality of the environment and how they can change it," said Alicia Sanchez '98.

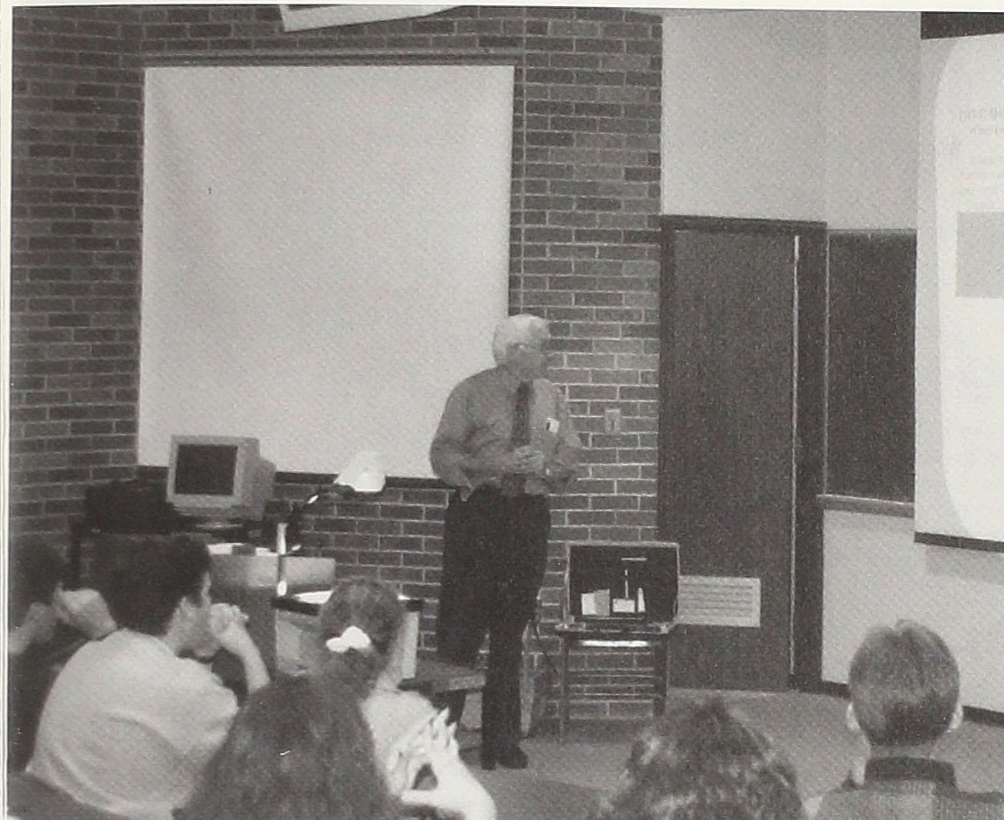
An investment representative of Edward Jones, Greg Dosmann, answers students "Financial Questions About Future Planning". The Resident Assistant staff of South Complex hosted this speaker after "our upperclass residents bombarded us as they were forced to deal with this issue," said Rainy Inman '97



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J. McClain



J. McClain

Lowell Beineke, a speaker sponsored by the Math Department, discusses the number theory and how to apply it and its graph. He gave students a strategic way of manipulating children structure games using the number theory.

Poet Li-Young Lee explains the art of poetry and how "the heart and mind together is the secret to everything we do, and by becoming one with these, the art of poetry, or any art, will blossom". Lee spent two days discussing poetic processes and philosophical reasoning. During his poetry reading, held in the Heritage Center, he recited poems from his two award-winning books of poetry, *Rose* and *The City in Which I Love You* as well as two new poems.

Guest Speakers

Ignite Interest, Spread Knowledge

Speakers sponsored by various organizations offered a new outlook to students. Whether they were required, offered extra credit, or just interested, students attended the speaker's lectures. Speakers were sponsored by students, organizations, and departments.

Atul Patel '97 brought in CNN Anchor, Bob Losier to speak to the campus. Atul raised funds himself and received the remaining amount from Student Congress. Atul had served an internship at CNN the previous summer, sparking the idea to bring Bob Losier to campus.

Different departments also sponsored guest speakers. Dr.

William Palmer, with the support of the English Department, sponsored poet Li-Young Lee to visit the campus. Lee spoke during class time as well as giving a poetry reading in the Heritage Center for the Performing Arts, and a presentation on religion in Jones Auditorium.

"Especially like attending speakers in the Heritage Center. There, you can see the speaker's body language from every seat and hear every word. Also, the college does a good job in bringing in "big" speakers that students are interested in," said Matt Williams '97.

Martin Lee, a researcher of various anti-government groups in America,

presented information he had attained about these groups in the Heritage Center. This caused the Michigan Militia leader, Tom Wayne, to counter-attack and present an opposing viewpoint to the campus.

If you had only one lecture to give, what would you talk about? This was the question posed to faculty as the Students Affairs Office and Residential Life staff organized "The Last Lecture Series".

Given the opportunity to present their "last" lecture were Dr. Laura Vosejka, assistant professor of chemistry, Murray Borrello, instructor of geology, Dr. Carol Slater, chair and professor of psychology,

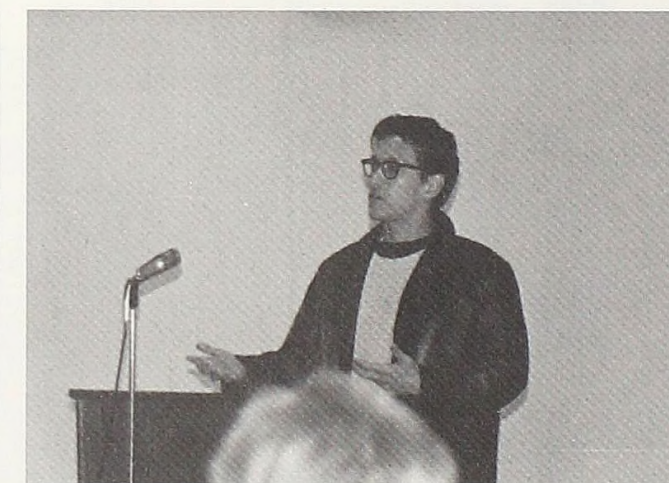
and Dr. Michael Selmon, associate professor of English.

Many student organizations sponsored guest speakers that would help educate students on certain issues. "The goal of most organizations is to spread the beliefs that the group are supporting. Speakers were the strongest way to build the campus's interest," said Julie Grannis '98, president of Students United for Nature (S.U.N.). S.U.N. brought in a variety of speakers, two of which were on conflicting sides of the DNR breakup. This allowed the campus to make their own decision about the issue.

-Carrie Kaminski '99



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Dr. Laura Vosejka of Chemistry presents her "last" lecture titled "Science, Sex, and Society." She stated that women in science-related fields often lose their femininity because of their occupations. She explained how this can discourage women not to enter science or to not finish science once they have entered the field.

STIPS

Pacing

Jon Makela '97 is focused on his performance during a home cross country meet. Knowing when to concentrate on sports and when to focus on academics or other aspects of campus life was a pivotal skill in the balancing act of athletes.

Patience

Laura Keisoglou '99 is in control of the game for the women's soccer team. Athletes not only experienced the thrills of competition through varsity sports; they also learned the skills of teamwork and patience.



E. Hart



T. Lounds

For many students at Alma College, the phrase "the changing of the seasons" truly held a double meaning. As one season after another slowly changed the face of the campus from green to golden to white and finally green again, the campus's many competitors also changed. Seasons of one sport wound down as others began. Throughout the year the uniforms, playing fields, and faces of athletics may have changed, but the Scot pride that pushed all sports to new heights of competition and teamwork remained the same.

As lazy August days melded into the golden tones of autumn and the campus welcomed back its residents, fall sports teams geared up for contests. Men's and women's soccer players kicked balls around practice and game fields, learning to approach

difficult matches and teamwork in new ways in order to succeed. The football team took to the field, looking for a winning season and backed by an enthusiastic and dedicated squad of cheerleaders. Men's and women's cross country runners could be found miles away from campus on runs, or perhaps running over the rolling hills of the same country club where

the golf teams enjoyed yet another successful season. Each group focused on different aspects of competition that were important to their respective sports.

As winter began to blanket the ground with a layer of white, the action of

the athletics were moved indoors. Though outside the temperatures may have been frigid, loyal spectators could find plenty of hot competition in the Physical Education (PE) Center. First the volleyball team took over Cappaert Gymnasium

"During the season, you really have to manage your time and get a lot of rest."

-Jeff Curtis '98

for an energetic series of games. Following these ladies came the men's and women's basketball teams, each with

successful and historic seasons. Meanwhile, over in the pool, the swimmers and divers were posting new record after record, in addition to numerous other firsts.

As winter gave way to the new growth of spring, sports enthusiasts could

again find plenty to keep occupied outdoors. The baseball and softball diamonds were alive with the crack of bats connecting with balls, and the calls of teammates to make crucial plays. The starter's gun sounded over on the track, signaling the start of both men's and women's races, while field events occurred nearby. Tennis balls soared over nets on the courts as the men and women competed there as well.

Throughout the year, the PE Center offered many various ways for students to work out, including weights and racquetball. Intramural sports offered students the opportunity to play their favorite sport or try a new one, anything from football to volleyball to softball. Sports enthusiasts of all types found plenty to keep busy no matter what the season.

—Carrie Rau '00



Forethought

Mandy Bowler '98 contemplates her next putt. "Being in a sport has affected my entire college experience," said Mandy. "It takes up so much time and gives you a sense of reward when you put in so many hours and still pull off decent grades."



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"It is a
slip
and not a
fall."
— Abraham
Lincoln

Driving for Glory

Starting Fresh With Young Teams

The golf teams slipped a notch in MIAA Conference standings, but refused to fall victim to a losing attitude. The teams were relatively young and began concentrating on the next season from the moment the last tournament was played.

The men placed fifth despite being faced with a relative lack of experience in MIAA competition. They were edged out of fourth place by less than two strokes and reached as high as third place in tournament competition.

Tim Shunsky '99 led his teammates through MIAA competition, finishing eleventh in league play. Don Light '97 served as team captain. Tim recalled the season as great way to spend time with friends.

"This team is AWESOME! The guys on the team are all friends on and off the course. We always had a great time going to our matches. There wasn't one match we had that we didn't have a good time."

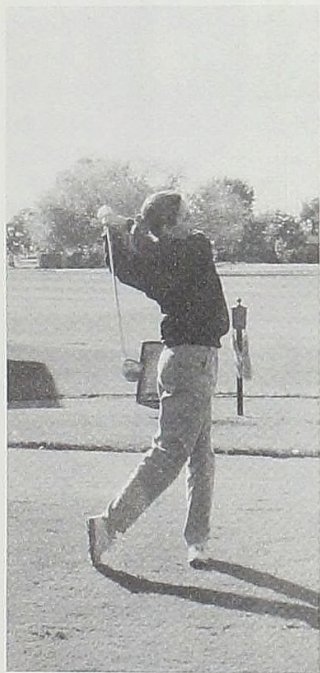
Teammate Chris Dawson '99 agreed with Tim's assessment. "We always had a good time. Things didn't go

well for the team, but we had fun. Jokes and laughs were a big part of every match."

The women placed second in the league even though the season had gotten off to a slow start. The first year members of the team stepped up to the challenge. Jenny Peters '00 led the team, finishing third in the MIAA and turning in the low score for tournament #5. The team placed second in the remaining six tournaments, establishing themselves as one of the dominant teams in MIAA competition. "We are highly respected by other coaches, parents, and teams, because we are so good every year. Very talented!" commented Mandy Bowler '98.

The team saw their season as a learning experience. "Hope really shocked us," said Coach Charles Goffnett. "We're looking forward to bringing the championship trophy back to Alma next year. We've got six returners and I... think the team is going to come back next year with more resolve and right from the very start be ready to attack the course."

—Carrie Rau '00



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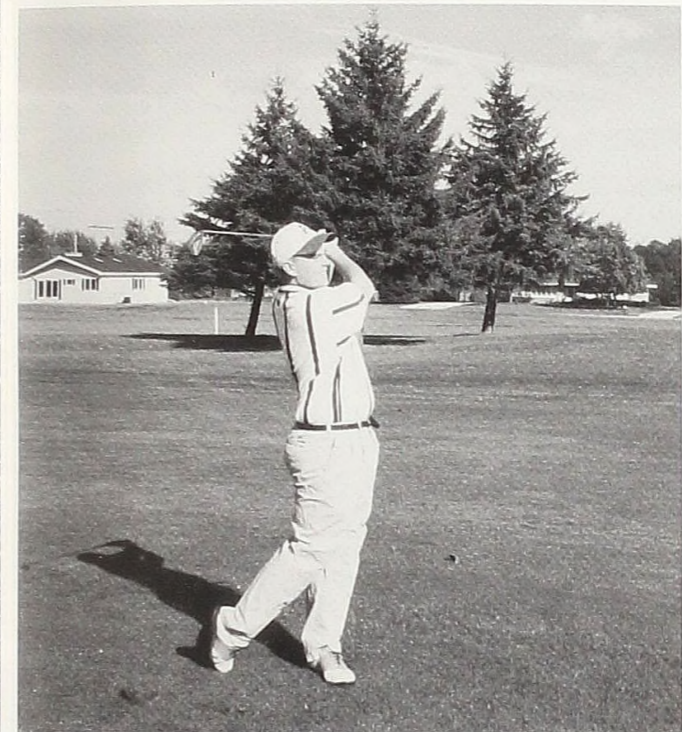
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Precision. Carrie Swan '00 watches her practice drive soaring towards the hole. She was one of three first-year students on the young team.

Preparation. Liz Eby '99 prepares herself for one final putt. As a returning member, Liz had one year of experience behind her. The team maintained respect among its competition despite the lack of senior leadership.

Planning. Jodi Taylor '00 contemplates her next stroke on the course at Pine River Country Club. The women broke the previous Pine River course record of 354 strokes, scoring only 345 strokes during MIAA Tournament #2.

Persistence. Mike McHugh '98 follows through on a practice swing at Pine River Country Club. Mike shot his best round at tournament #5 at Hope with a 79.



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Final MIAA Standings Women's	
Team	Ave.
Hope	346.1
Alma	359.7
Albion	371.9
Olivet	400.0
Calvin	410.4
Adrian	425.7
Kalamazoo	428.3

All-MIAA Teams First Team	
Jenny Peters	Mandy Bowler

All-MIAA Teams Second Team	
Carrie Hunt	Liz Eby

Final MIAA Standings Men's	
Team	Ave.
Olivet	388.7
Albion	401.6
Hope	404.4
Calvin	413.3
Alma	415.4
Kalamazoo	438.1
Adrian	440.9

All-MIAA Team Second Team	
Tim Shunsky	

All-MIAA Team Rookie of the Year	
Dan O'Rourke	

All-MIAA Team Most Valuable	
Tim Shunsky	

Golf



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Women's Golf: Front: Carrie Swan, Carrie Hunt, Mandy Bowler. Back: Liz Eby, Jodi Taylor, Jenny Peters.



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Men's Golf: Assistant Coach Kevin McKinley, Ryan Fahler, Chris Dawson, Mike McHugh, Tim Shunsky. Not Pictured: Troy Cox, Kevin DeGroot, Don Light, Dan O'Rourke, Nick Slocum.

"Hard climbing makes the climber stronger."
—Anonymous



Unity Prevails

Attitude Is All That Matters

The women's soccer team weathered a storm of tough games to emerge a strong, unified "family" of players. Though the team posted a disappointing record, they found that attitude and unity were far more important than the final record.

Coach Tammy Anderson expected a rough season from the start. The team lost six starting members to transfer or graduation. In addition, they faced their toughest schedule ever, in an attempt to earn more recognition within the region. Before the conference schedule had even begun, the women had already played some of the tougher teams in their region, including Wooster and Ohio Wesleyan. That record made some of the girls "hesitant" about the season, according to Anderson.

"I just kept trying to stress to them that it's more than just wins and losses... it really comes down to that. You've got to see where you can improve... individually to make your team better, but you've also got to realize that you are a member of a team. One player can't do it all,"

Anderson commented.

Captains Katie Sauter '97, Jen Mitchell '97, and Stephanie Craig '98 provided experience and drive that pulled them through the season. Katie was honored for her performance by being named to the All-MIAA Conference first team. Stephanie was named to the second team.

The addition of Holly Bruder '99 at the end of the season, provided an infusion of morale. Holly stepped up to the position of goal keeper with characteristic resolve. Despite having never played soccer before, she forced tighter matches and an overtime tie against Olivet. Team-wise "Holly kind of brightened their morale to have someone back there they could thrive on," Anderson said.

Overall, Anderson was extremely proud of her team, not for their record, but for their attitude. Though the season was tough, the girls never gave up on each other. According to Anderson, "that's a bigger compliment to me, personally, than any other honors within the conference."

—Carrie Rau '00



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Chase. Jill Braun '98 finds herself being closely pursued by the opponent. Jill and her teammates relied heavily on teamwork when games got tight.



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Caught. Laura Keisoglou '99 edges out a rival team member for control of the ball. Speed and agility were key to both offensive and defensive maneuvers.



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Control. Jaclyn Sauter '99 fights for possession of the ball. She and her sister Katie '97 exemplified the teamwork that carried the women through a tough season.

Comraderie. The women's soccer team forms a unified front as they leave the field. The women found that unity was all that mattered in a season filled with disappointment.



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Women's Soccer

University of S. Indiana	0-4
Siena Heights	0-3
Aquinas	3-6
Wooster	0-2
Ohio Wesleyan	0-1
Northwood	3-3
Calvin	0-6
Kalamazoo	1-7
Albion	0-3

*Alma's score appears first.



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Front: Laura Keisoglou, Holly Caraway, Amy Hufferd, Rebecca Raus, Julie Norris, Stephanie Craig, Erin Thompson, Holly Bruder. Back: Assistant Coach Eric Diehl, Heather Klepper, Jaclyn Sauter, Katie Sauter, Lindsey Carter, Stephanie Yatch, Jen Mitchell, Leslie McDougall, Jamie Sutton, Jill Braun, Coach Tammy Anderson. Not Pictured: Anna Marie Martin.

Adrian	2-0
Hope	1-4
Olivet	0-2
Kalamazoo	0-9
Albion	1-2
Adrian	1-0
Hope	2-6
Olivet	0-0
Calvin	0-3

*Alma's score appears first.

"Say you

can

and you

will."

—Anonymous

KICK a Little Determination Pays Off

A determined attitude and a spirit of teamwork paid off for the men's soccer team, as they tied their best finish ever in the MIAA standings. The men completed an extremely difficult schedule with a record of 11 wins, 6 losses, and only 2 ties.

The team came into the season with high expectations, struggling to measure up to last year's standards. After the first 8 games of the season, the team was 2-4-2 and beginning to become frustrated. They were playing a schedule of very difficult teams and not quite producing the results they had hoped for. However, the team pulled together in an attempt to overcome their difficulties.

The men completed the last 11 games with a 9-2 record. Coach Scott Frey described them as an extremely close-knit group, both on and off the field. Towards the end of the season, perseverance and teamwork paid off as the men collected a series of victories, which culminated with two major wins. The first was against Calvin College, who had defeated the Scots twice before in close

competitions. The second, and undoubtedly largest, came against Hope College. At the time, Hope was undefeated and ranked second in the nation. The men managed to shut them out, 1-0.

"The guys played, without a doubt, their best game of the year that day here... Just to see this group move from a lot of frustration early in the season to putting it all together at the end and playing very well is neat to see," Frey recalled.

The team finished the season second in the conference. Before the last two seasons, the team had never finished above fourth, indicating the men were beginning to set new, higher standards.

"I have to work harder now in the off-season if I expect to compete to my fullest potential," Ryan Webb '00 explained, echoing the sentiments of many of his teammates. As the season ended, the team was already looking ahead to next season's goals, ready to make their determination pay off once again.

—Carrie Rau '00

Fast-paced. Ryan Soupal '99 makes a break towards the goal and away from rival players. Individual improvements combined for a final record that set new standards for the team.



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Siena Heights	4-0
John Carroll (OH)	1-0
Ohio Wesleyan	0-3
Calvin	0-1
Hiram (OH)	0-2
Mt. Union (OH)	2-2
Calvin	2-3
Kalamazoo	2-2
Albion	3-2
Adrian	4-0
Hope	1-2
Olivet	5-1
St. Mary's	9-0
Calvin	2-0
Kalamazoo	0-1
Albion	3-1
Adrian	1-0
Hope	1-0
Olivet	2-1

*Alma's score appears first.



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Frontal Attack. Tom Jewett '98 looks to capture the ball from his competitor. Tom was one of two captains for the team.



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Flying Feet. Matt Keller '00 maneuvers quickly to keep the ball from the opposition. Matt led the team in goals scored.

Ferocity. Jim Bouchard '00 struggles with an opponent for control of the ball. An aggressive attitude paid off for the team, as they pulled off several close wins.



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Men's Soccer



S. Traynor

Row 1: Ben Hondorp, Ian Schmidt, Joel Stewart, Nate Spang, Tom Jewett, Jeff Bateson, Jim Bouchard, Randy U'Ren, Gabe Nguema, Jason Passalacqua, Ryan Soupal. Row 2: Coach Scott Frey, Matt Keller, Brandon Klump, Ryan Webb, Roger Pattie, Kevin Main, Paul Meek, Todd Ruiter, Jon Cullen, David Richardson, Lucas Hart, Mark McClutchey, Chris Alexander, Nils Danielson, Assistant Coach Roger Johnson.

What was the highlight of the season for you?

"When I scored the winning goal in Game 7 of the 'Monday Game.' The Monday Game is a very competitive scrimmage between First-Year students and the Upperclass persons. We play every Monday. The season series was tied at 3 games apiece going into Game 7. I scored the winning goal with 40 seconds left to play!"

—Kevin Main '00

"You can't be a better runner unless



you are willing to run

and be beat. You've got to look for tough competition. You've got to want to beat



the best."
—Anonymous

Still Going... High Mileage & Higher Ambition

Determination. Courage. Patience. Goals. TEAM. To the cross country teams, these were more than just words. They represented the positive mental attitude many runners felt necessary to endure in their world of long stretches of blacktop and high level competition. This attitude forced many out day after day to just run again, and when times got tough, it was the last word that really mattered.

"[We were] comparable to a family," remarked Chele Pippin '97. "Each member cared what happened to another member. Everybody supported each other and nobody felt like an outsider; [there was] an extreme sense of belonging even though you may not have been the number one runner."

Though family attitude was an important aspect of the season, competitive spirit was not far behind. Ambitious goals and intense training were key to a successful season. The women finished in the top three at seven of their nine meets and were fourth

overall in the MIAA. The men finished fifth or higher in eight of nine meets and finished fifth in MIAA standings. Three individuals were named to the all-MIAA teams. Jason Bandlow '97 was named to the first team, and second team honors were conferred upon Dana Cole '99 and Anne Grimaldi '00.

Many of the athletes felt that they completed their season with an expanded sense of what is important in the sport, and they carry new memories with them as well.

"I learned how to push myself to the next level. Running has taught me the importance of both competition and teamwork. More important, however, is the balance of the two," said Tammy Adams '97. "I will remember the hours of practice, the joy of competition, and the feelings of both loss and victory. When I look back in a few years, I will remember most the people who shaped my running career here at Alma."

—Carrie Rau '00



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Devotion. Anne Grimaldi '00, Dana Cole '99, and Rebecca Walter '98 work together to take down an opponent. "As a whole, we worked together. My team helped push me to new heights as a runner," said teammate Tammy Adams '97.

Determination. Jason Bandlow '97 pushes the pace of the lead pack at the Alma Invitational. Jason earned first team all-conference honors, as well as serving as one of the team's captains.



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Distance. Kerrie Simpson '00 tires as she nears the end of her race. Women ran 5 kilometers (3.1 miles) while men ran 8 kilometers (5 miles).

Driven. Peter Muccio '99 focuses on closing in on the runners ahead as he rounds a turn on the course at Pine River Country Club. "The success of our season cannot be measured by achievements in races alone but must also include personal growth and team experiences," said Peter.



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"I think that one couldn't label this season as anything but successful. We all put everything into our practices, ran our best, had fun, and managed to kick a little butt in the process."

—Chele Pippin '97

Meet	Women	Men
SVSU Invitational	2nd	4th
IPFW Invitational	1st	1st
Earlham Invitational	2nd	5th
Alma Invitational	2nd	5th
Spring Arbor Invitational	2nd	3rd
MIAA Jamboree #1	3rd	5th
MIAA Jamboree #2	3rd	4th
MIAA Championship	4th	4th
NCAA Great Lakes Regional	11th	14th
Final MIAA Standings	4th	5th

Cross Country



Submitted

Women's Cross Country. Row 1: Kerrie Simpson, Carrie Reid, Anne Grimaldi, Dana Cole. Row 2: Nikki Deja, Carrie Rau, Cheryl Lenard, Lisa Wittenbach, Sarah Kampf. Row 3: Katie Rodgers, Sara Fisher, Sarah Fossati, Chele Pippin, Tammy Adams, Sara Jefferson, Kendra Edwardson. Row 4: Assistant Coach Kevin Skaggs, Coach Dan Gibson. Not Pictured: Jeanine Chura, Rebecca Walter.



Submitted

Men's Cross Country. Row 1: Kris Forsyth, Ben Witte, Jason Bandlow, Kyle Kristin. Row 2: John Buesing, Greg Knight, Jim Alspaugh, Josh Wiggins, Jerry Howard. Row 3: Assistant Coach Kevin Skaggs, Chad Milletics, Jon Makela, Steve Picklemann, Coach Dan Gibson, Peter Muccio.

"Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goals."

—Anonymous

Overcoming Team Weathers the Storm

The volleyball team had to overcome personal differences this year as a group in order to become a working unit. By the end of the season, however, the team had accumulated several accomplishments, including MIAA recognition.

"We were a team comprised of many different personalities," recalled Kristin Randolph '99. She admitted that at times, "we did not work well together at all."

"Many girls quit," Kristin said. Those that stayed, however, "went through the rough times together." By the end of the season, the twelve varsity letter winners had gathered several accolades as proof of their perseverance. Amy Pickelmann '98 was named to the first team All-MIAA, while teammate Lori Swenson '99 was named second

team and Kristin Randolph was Honorable Mention. All three were named Alma College Athlete of the Week at some point during the season, and Amy was named MIAA Player of the Week. Lori was selected to the Baldwin Wallace All-Tournament team. Amy was named Most Valuable Player. Ellen Bradbury '99 was named Most Improved, and Anne DeLind '97 was given the Coach's Award.

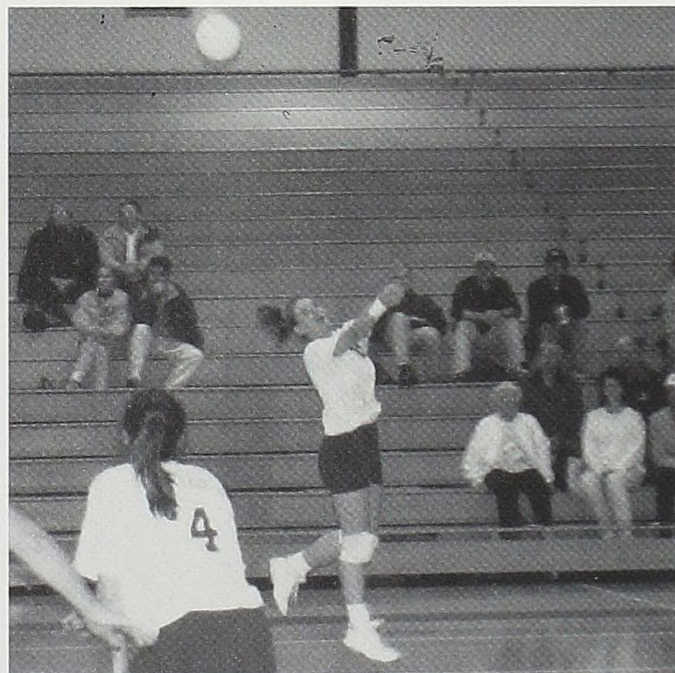
Overall, the season was one of learning and growing for the team. "I have learned an enormous amount from this season. I have become a much stronger person... I have also learned about working collaboratively with people that are very different from me," said Kristin.

—Carrie Rau '00



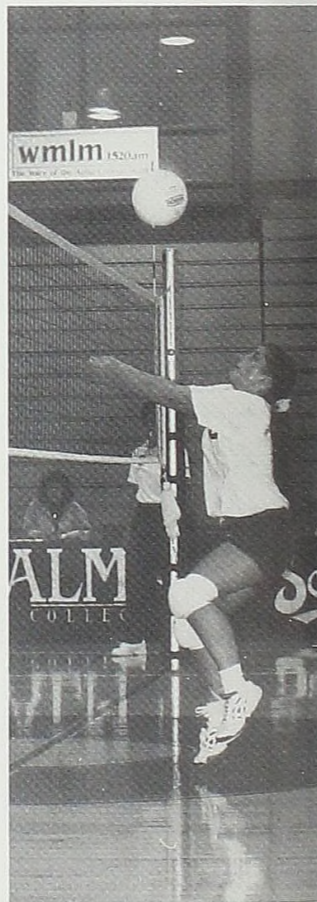
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Angle. Amy Pickelmann '98 watches Lori Swenson '99 angle the ball towards the front line and the net. Lori had the most kills for the season at 276.



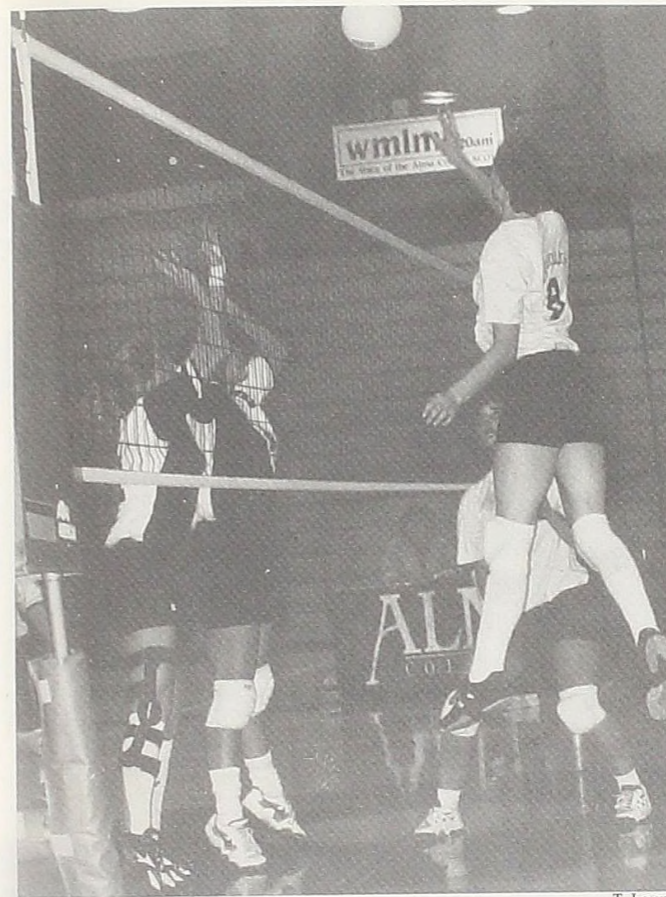
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Aptitude. Nicole Markeicki '99 puts all her hours of practice to the test as she completes a difficult hit. Nicole was one of twelve varsity letter winners.

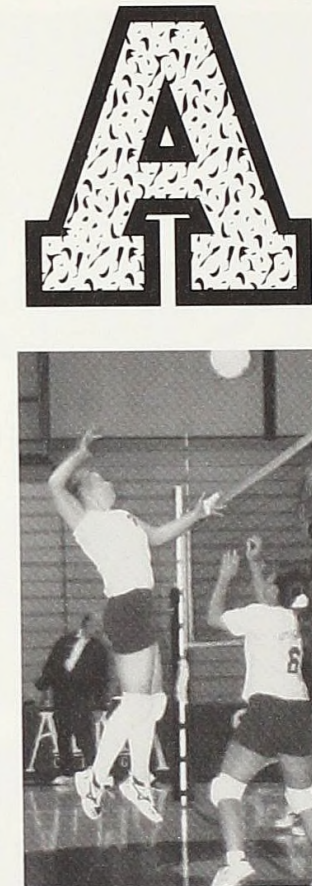


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Attitude. Jatell Driver '99 patiently awaits the ball's arrival into position. Jatell had 639 assists for the season, and the record for the most assists in a single game at 56.



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M. Terrian



Airborne. Ellen Bradbury '99 temporarily leaves the ground to send the ball flying back over to the opposition. Ellen held the record for most blocks in a single match (6) and for the season (49).

Attack. Lori Swenson '99 prepares to send the ball over the net. Lori held the record for aces for the season at 35.

All MIAA Honors
Amy Pickelmann '98, First Team
Lori Swenson '99, Second Team
Kristin Randolph '99, Honorable Mention

Volleyball

Overall Record
8-21

Non-Conference
Record
3-14

Conference Record
5-7

Home Games
2-4

Away Games
6-17

Laura Skorupski
Amy Pickelmann
Nicole Hind
Jatell Driver
Kristina Johnson
Ellen Bradbury
Kristin Randolph
Nicole Markiecki
Kathryn Nordin
Anne DeLind
Lori Swenson
Angie Easton



Final MIAA Standings

	Wins	Losses
Hope	9	1
Calvin	9	1
Kalamazoo	7	3
Alma	5	6
Albion	3	8
Adrian	2	9
Olivet	1	9

"Stepping stones and stumbling blocks are



very similar; they all depend on how you look at them."



—Anonymous

Determination Strength Through Experience

The men's football team experienced a season of growth. The players themselves learned a great deal. In addition, they taught their competition they were a force to be reckoned with. The football season was unpredictable in nature. In the beginning, the team had something of a confidence crisis. A victory over Elmhurst destroyed any doubts team members may have developed. Continuing with Scottish tradition and determination, the powerful team pulled through the season nearly achieving a winning record.

One of the team's greatest triumphs was the defeat of Hope College. The defense held the line at fourth and goal. This overtime performance provided Bill Nietzke '97 and his offensive teammates with the opportunity to drive down field and score the winning touchdown.

As with any season, this season was the finale for the seniors. When asked about his senior squad, Coach Jim Cole described them as resilient. They came into a program that needed a fresh outlook and left it stronger than any could remember. For these dedicated seniors, their college career was nothing short of a roller coaster ride, with all the highs and lows that come along with the rebuilding of any team.

On the other hand, the season brought the largest squad of first-year students in history. With this influx of students, Cole looked forward to future seasons with the hope that these "outstanding" newcomers will continue the strengthening process that was begun by the seniors just four years ago.

—Alison Lukowski '00
Carrie Rau '00



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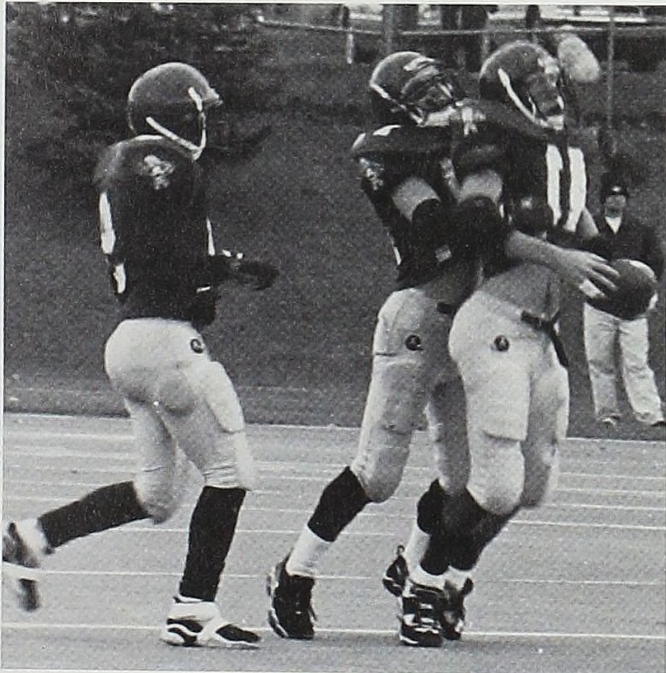
Wide Open. Scott Heymoss '98 sprints down the field to achieve a touchdown. The team spent many hours of practice time improving their speed and agility.

Watch That Line. The defense prepares to stop the opposing team from gaining yards on a possession. Unfortunately, the defense was unsuccessful in stopping the driving force of Albion.



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Football



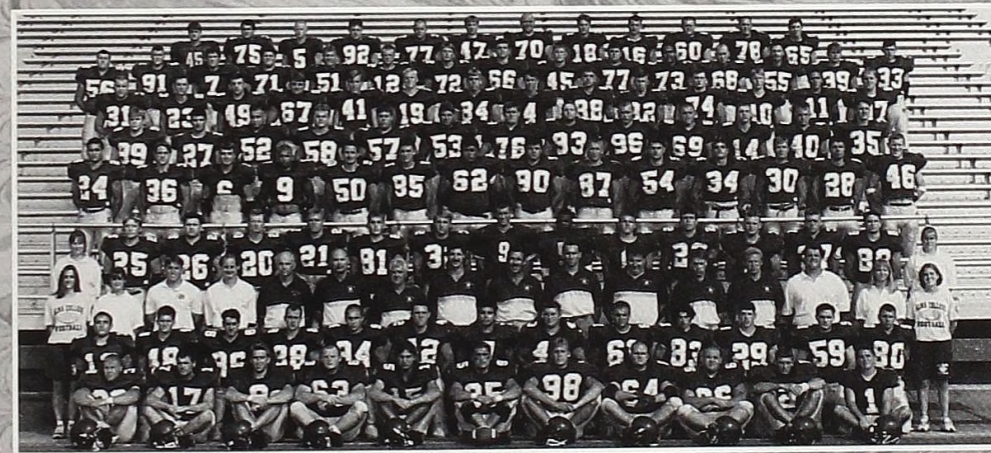
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Friends. The team gathers to congratulate Todd Claerhout '00 after he scores a touchdown. Despite his efforts, the team was unsuccessful against their Albion opponents.

Success. Max Leonard '99 celebrates a successful maneuver with his teammates. The player's unity paid off, allowing this group of men the opportunity to be called a team.



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Row 1: Chad Hoewe, Scott Menard, Greg Maxon, Jason Couch, Bill Nietzke, Jorge Livingston, Greg Mans, Ben Washabaugh, Keith Matie, Craig Fritts, Matt Gordon. Row 2: Joe Rizk, Arthur Klawender, Tony Elliott, Joel Ritter, Adam Kern, Jack Morris, Ray Dawood, Scott Heymoss, Chris Hales, Adam Sweigert, Shawn Grant, Bryan Brunelle, Jason Hance. Row 3: Kristi Kern, India Lovett, Brian Borkowski, Denny Griffin, Coach Al McNeal, Coach Garry Grady, Coach Mel Skillman, Coach Jim Cole, Coach Bret Hyble, Coach Brian Zimmermann, Coach James Farnum, Corey Messner, Kristin Gardner. Row 4: Kris Rowe, Mike Baszler, Mason Converse, Leonard Warren, Kyle Kartes, Andy Bjornstad, Greg Bowden, Jared Felkowski, Tory Boyd, Dustin Armstrong, Zack Workman, Tony Adams, Marcus Dukes, Bill Whorf. Row 5: David Porlas, Craig Wasen, Don Jess, Rob Cooper, Don Gibbons, Ryan Jezdimir, Phil Ochoa, Jeff Rivard, Jeremy TerBush, John Streeter, Todd Driver, Yaro Middaugh, Tim McAleese. Row 6: Gavin McMacken, Dustin Armstrong, Rob Nelson, Les Newhouse, Nick Paul, Brandon Kaput, Ken Warner, Andy Scanlan, Raymond McNeely, Mike Wenzel, Todd Claerhout, Scott Neme, John Jarvis. Row 7: Matt Sherman, Jason Fritz, Tim Webb, Tom Comer, Keith Schall, Eric Brands, Adam Kern, Jeremy Stewart, Joel Ritter, Alex Nicander, Bryan Roberts, Josh Wakefield, Rod Barriger, Buzz Sullivan. Row 8: Dan Nicholson, Gabe Seibl, Ray Dawood, Shawn Priem, Trevor Dagley, Mike Campbell, Brendan O'Leary, Todd Francis, Mark Goedge, Chad Klopf, Aaron White, Jeremy Williams, Max Leonard, Adam Kulinski, Aaron Orlovski. Row 9: Nick O'Neill, Tim Forsyth, Jason Humbracht, Brian Lassey, Mike Joslyn, Tim Mosey, Jason VanDerMaas, Trevor Barringer, Drew Broadus, Jim Townsend, Nathan Miller. Not Pictured: Tom Arbaugh, Tim Haisi, Ray Cochenour, George Clark.

Opponent

- Valparaiso Univ. 21-66
- Olivet Nazarene 40-44
- Elmhurst College 45-21
- Defiance College 65-20
- Olivet College 22-26
- Kalamazoo College 44-49
- Hope College 41-38
- Adrian College 34-27
- Albion College 40-80

* Alma's score appears first.

"If you aren't



fired
with

enthusiasm,
you will be

fired
with



enthusiasm."

--Anonymous

Flyin' High

And Raisin' Spirit Too!

"Personally, every game is a highlight for me—all week we work for the game on Saturday; then we see our work pay off with the crowd's response to us," said Lori Tulgestke '97.

Lori wasn't a football player or a soccer player, but her sport of choice still required hours of practice, physical strength, and teamwork. Lori was one of the ten members of the cheerleading squad. For these ten girls, payday was game day.

When the team came together for the first time in August, there was much work to be done. Combining ten people to produce a single, unified presentation was always a challenge, yet the girls worked hard to make it happen, practicing daily for the impending weekend's contest. Compromise was a key player in any attempt: "We all had different ideas, but we combined our styles to make up some fun material," recalled

Amanda Schafer '99. "We supported the football team, yet we had our own team."

The finished product of all this practice and compromise was a spirit-raising complement to the excitement of the football games. Home or away, the cheerleaders were there, screaming for the Scots. "The away trips were great! We took the Alma pride and spirit on the road. It was a lot of fun!" said Amanda. The end result was an improved and talented squad of high-flying, enthusiasm-building athletes showing a great deal of pride in themselves as well as their team.

"Alma College Cheerleading has improved 150% since my freshman year. I'd like to think I played a large part in the acceptance of cheerleaders here; we're really good, and people are starting to notice," said Lori.

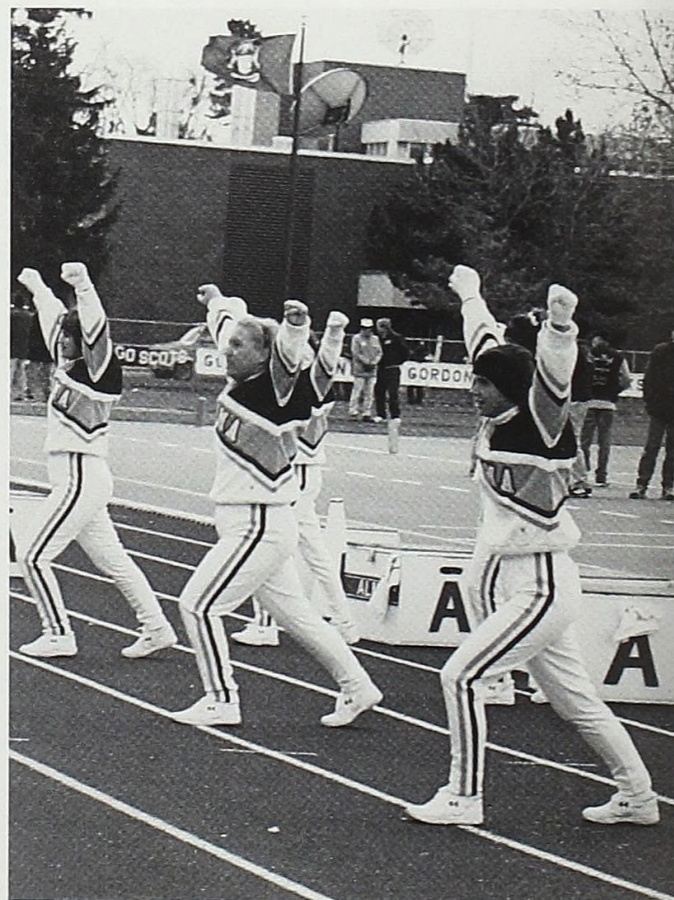
—Carrie Rau '00



K. Reid

Overhead. Angie Thompson '97 moves into position on a mount. "When we see other cheerleaders at other schools, we always compare—we do really well," said Lori Tulgestke '97.

Over and Above. Karen Jones '99, Lori Tulgestke '97, and Amy Jo Craig '00 are perfectly in sync. The cheerleaders put in hours of practice each week for game day on Saturday.



E. Hart

On Field. The cheerleaders take a break to check out what's happening on the football field. "I'm a more outgoing, energetic person because of [cheerleading]," recalled Amanda Schafer '99. "This season has taught me patience in a diverse group of people."



E. Hart



On Cue. Stephanie Withey '97, Lonna Lutze '00, Angie Thompson '97, and Amanda Schafer '99 lead the fans in yet another cheer for their football team. The cheerleaders even traveled with the football team to away games to spread team spirit.



E. Hart

Cheerleading

What have you learned through this sport?

"I need to step back and let others lead. It has taught me how to work well with different types of leaders... We all worked very well together. Ten girls with their own ideas of how something should work, all coming up with the same product—it's a challenge."

—Lori Tulgestke '97



S. Traynor

Row 1: Angie Thompson, Martha Schaefer. Row 2: Lori Tulgestke, Stephanie Withey, Amanda Schafer. Row 3: Amy Jo Craig, Karen Jones, Missy Crossnoe, Amy Tcholak, Lonna Lutze.

What have you learned through this sport?

"I have learned how to work with people three years older than I am, and I have had to learn a lot of new things like mounting and how to change my voice inflection... I enjoyed being in front of the Alma stadium full of fans cheering the football team on to victory."

—Amy Jo Craig '00

"Sweat plus sacrifice equals success."
—Anonymous



Capital Year!

Shooting for Success

The women's basketball team spent their season overcoming hardship and difficult competition to emerge not only an MIAA contender, but a national one as well.

The team's final record was 23-6, a fantastic season by Coach Charles Goffnett's standards. In addition, they boasted a second place finish in the league, only a game behind Calvin's women. Missy VanDamme '97 was named Most Valuable Player in the MIAA and was named first team all-conference along with teammates Jaami McClellan '97 and Michelle Olds '97. Ellen Bradbury '99 was named second team all-conference.

The determination and drive put forth by the women carried them past the MIAA and into the NCAA Division III national

tournament. In the first round of the tournament, the women defeated Kenyon College to advance to round two. They lost to Defiance, ending their season in the second round.

"We had a terrific season... The team was successful because of our senior leadership," said Goffnett. "Our team really had to overcome some key injuries to key players and they really persevered."

At the season awards banquet, four players were honored with special awards. Jaami McClellan was awarded Most Valuable Player honors, while Ellen Bradbury was named Most Improved. Lisa Meyer '97 was given the Hustle Award. The Coaches' Award went to Michelle Olds.

—Carrie Rau '00



Looking. Sarah Lefke '99 searches for an open teammate. Sarah was ranked in the top ten in the MIAA in steals this year.

T. Lounds



Letting go. Michelle Olds '97 unleashes a mean jump shot. Michelle was one of five seniors Coach Goffnett credited with strong leadership.

T. Lounds

Look out. Sarah Lefke '99 struggles to escape the defense. Even in spite of some damaging injuries, the team survived... and thrived.



T. Lounds



Learning. Junior varsity player Emily McDonnell '99 has an eye on the ball. Defense was as important to a successful season as offense.



T. Lounds

Women's Basketball



S. Traynor

Row 1: Jaami McClellan, Kristi Kern, Michelle Olds, Lisa Meyer, Melissa VanDamme. Row 2: Shannon Gross, Sarah Lefke, Christie Serniak, Alicia Vallad. Row 3: Ellen Bradbury, Adrienne Fitzgerald, Kelly McDonald.

Junior Varsity players:

- Mandy Bowler
- Amber Corniellie
- Jackie Cowan
- Kristina Johnson
- Erin LaCosse
- Kelly McDonald
- Emily McDonnell
- Colleen McGrath
- Leigh Miles
- Stacie Vietzke

Junior varsity record:

5-7

- St. Mary's 74-53
- Baldwin-Wallace 74-57
- Spring Arbor 75-69
- Lake Superior State 48-62
- Cornerstone 50-63
- Cornerstone 56-45
- Aquinas 59-53
- Concordia 69-51
- Hanover 81-61
- Franklin 77-60
- Calvin 58-60 (OT)
- Hope 54-51
- St. Mary's 77-66
- Albion 57-45
- Olivet 82-58
- Kalamazoo 62-51
- Adrian 58-40
- Calvin 58-57
- Hope 61-65
- Defiance 77-85
- Albion 67-56
- Olivet 50-87
- Kalamazoo 65-41
- Adrian 64-47
- Olivet 89-52
- Adrian 52-49
- Hope 65-56
- Kenyon 66-59 (NCAA Tournament)
- Defiance 72-85 (NCAA Tournament)

*Alma's score appears first

"Play
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Play smart.

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together."

Men's basketball
team motto

Learning to Fly Soaring with Attitude

The men's basketball team entered the season full of anticipation and apprehension. Players' expectations ranged from "completely unrealistic to maybe just a little too low," according to Coach Kevin Skaggs. The team pulled together and modified those expectations into a season of firsts.

For the first time since the late 1980's, the team had a winning season. Five games were played against nationally-ranked teams. Though the team fell short in all five, Wabash and Hope only managed three point victories, and Calvin defeated them by a narrow margin as well, proving the team could hold its own. This season also saw the first tournament game victory ever in the seven-year history of tournament play. For the first time since 1988 they defeated conference rival Albion.

Coach Skaggs attributed much of this success to a strong foundation laid in the previous

season. Rather than rebuilding with new coaches and players, the team recruited extensively over the summer, combining those they acquired with those already present. They extended the idea of team play by understanding more of what being a team meant to them. They were no longer just a group of men who played together; relationships extended off the court and into daily lives, Skaggs recalled.

Attitude was everything to this team. Their goal was moving their game to the next level. "This year we just extended our motto: 'We play hard, we play smart, we play together.' We worked on that a little further. We played *harder*, we played *smarter*, and we played a little *more* together. So now if we just keep doing that I think we'll reach our goal of bringing the championship to the school, which hasn't happened in twenty years," said Skaggs.

—Carrie Rau '00



T. Lounds

Aptitude. Chris Davis '97 puts a shot up over the head of a Calvin defender. Though defeated by Calvin, the team managed to hold their own against their nationally ranked rivals, losing by only a few points.

Altitude. Seth Stapleton '00 follows his shot up towards the hoop. Once the players started to believe in themselves, they were able to put together a winning season, according to Coach Skaggs.



T. Lounds



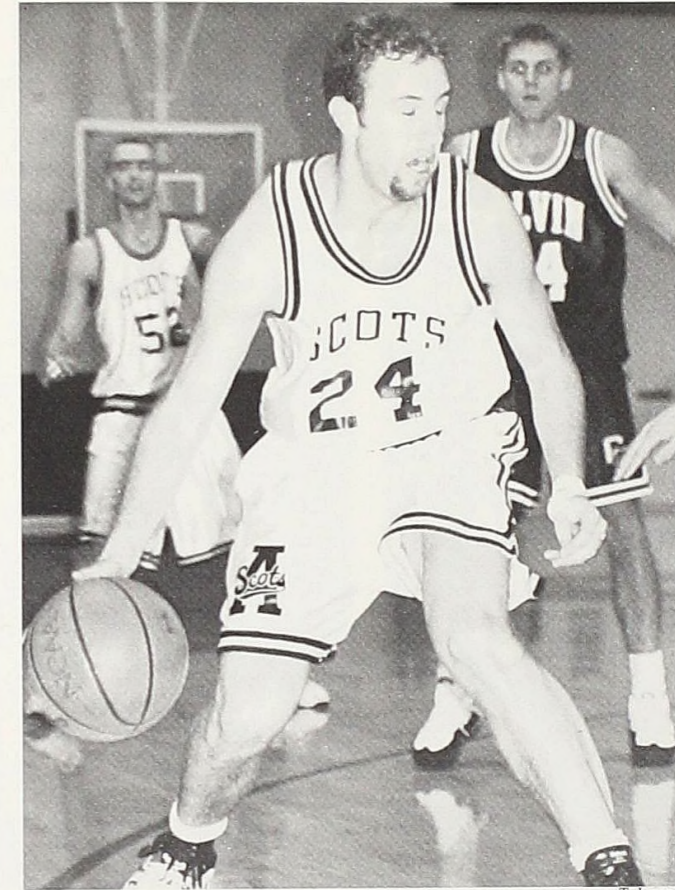
T. Lounds

Anticipation. The team gathers around Coach Skaggs for instructions during a time out versus Calvin. Members became a tight knit group that worked well together both on and off the floor.

Ability. An opposing defender attempts to block the shot of Chris Davis '97. A successful game consisted of high energy performances on both offense and defense.



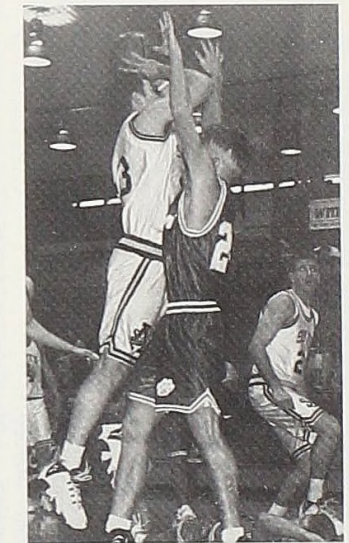
T. Lounds



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Anticipation. Nathan Lounds '97 controls the pace of the game for the moment. Players needed to know the location of the ball and their teammates at all times during the game.

Artful. Jason VanDerMaas '99 doesn't let a little contact with his defender stop him from putting up his shot. The team relied on a positive attitude and each other when games got tight.



T. Lounds

Men's Basketball



S. Traynor

Row 1: Assistant Coach Joe Pechota, Assistant Coach David Ingles, Doug Austin, Jason VanDerMaas, Nathan Lounds, Jeremy Hyler, Chris Davis, Jeff Curtis, Scott Goddard, Steve Crider, Coach Kevin Skaggs.
Row 2: Trainer Ian Schmidt, Seth Stapleton, Ian Jackson, Jason Danek, Tony Colucci, Chris Alexander, Eric Spielhaupter, Kyle Crandall, Jason Huber, Trainer India Lovett.

Final MIAA Standings

	Wins	Losses
Hope	12	0
Calvin	12	2
Kalamazoo	6	6
Albion	5	7
Alma	5	7
Adrian	3	9
Olivet	1	11

Overall record:
14 wins, 12 losses

"The loftier

your goals,

the higher your risk, the

greater your glory!"

-Anonymous

"Splashing" Year!

Pooling Resources for Success

The swimming and diving squads combined talents and attitudes of all members to post a record-breaking season. The men's team finished its schedule with its first winning (4-3) season in eighteen years and its first all-conference swimmer since 1983, Mike Cox '00. The women finished 6-3 overall—one of their best seasons ever. Three women earned all-conference honors, five qualified for nationals, and diver Marisa Proctor '98 became a two-time All-American diver. Both teams finished third in the MIAA.

Teamwork was an integral part of the success of both teams. Coach Greg Baadte knew that he could depend on any member of his team to come through with a big performance should it be needed.

"We spread around the responsibility to everyone on the team, so when someone fell down a little someone else picked it up and took it... They worked together... from our very top swimmer to the swimmer who scored the least points, someone helped us win something

somewhere along the way," Baadte said of his teams. The feeling of togetherness was noticed not only by the coaching staff, but by the athletes themselves.

"If you swam fast, everyone made you feel so good, and if you swam slow, you still had the same support. The people on the team made all the difference," commented Carrie Thomas '00.

From either standpoint, coach or athlete, the season was exciting; Baadte could not recall a meet in which either team was not competitive. Together, the two teams posted 21 new records and 53 new top ten times, and almost everyone showed significant improvement from beginning to end. The men's team defeated fourth place Calvin by only one point in a meet that saw every member score. The teams worked together to learn and grow as well.

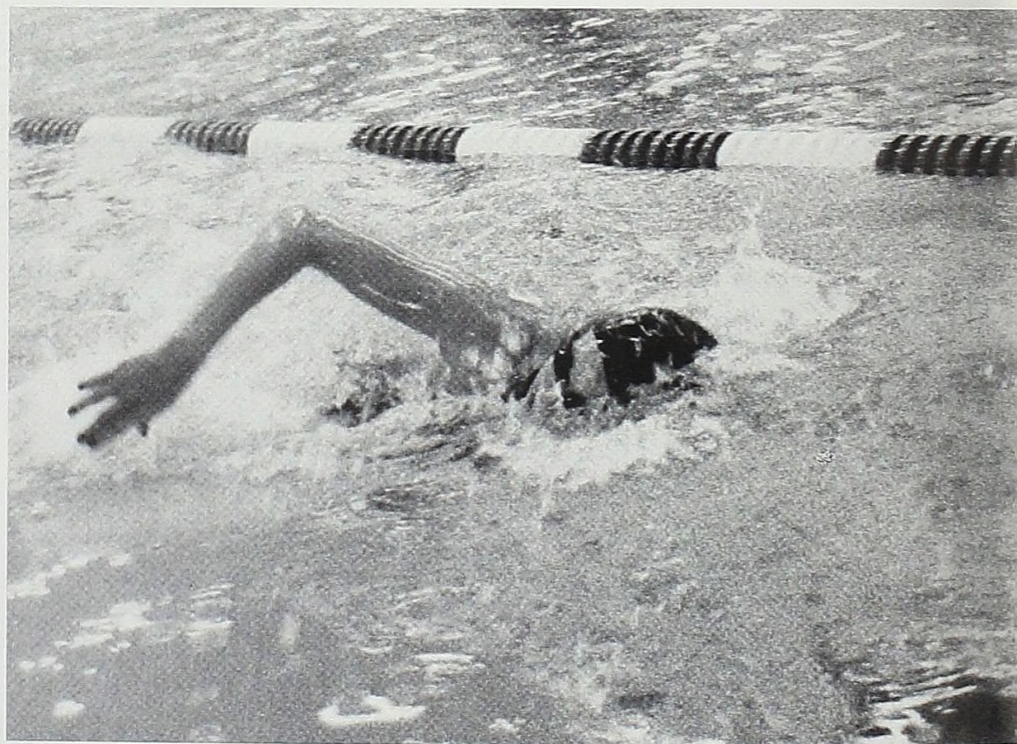
"I have learned to keep focused on your goals and work at them until they become a reality," said Carrie

—Carrie Rau '00



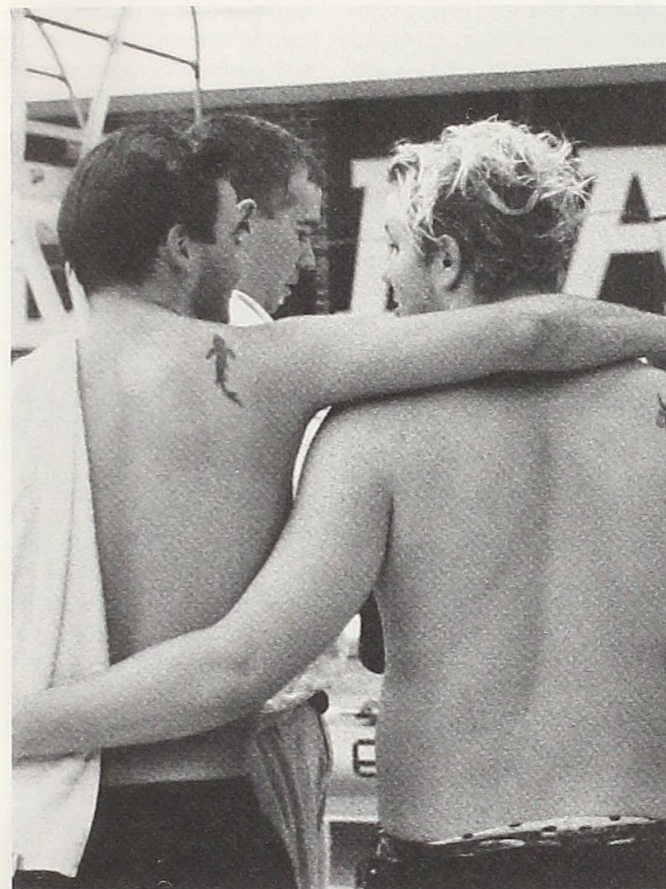
R. Raus

Triumphant. Marisa Proctor '98 gets a quick view of the water before she slides beneath the surface. Marisa placed in both the three meter and one meter diving events at nationals, earning her All-American honors.



R. Raus

Tough. Jennifer Rocco '98 works her way through a freestyle race with determination. Every member of the team in each event contributed in some way to the team's overall success in the season.



R. Raus

Togetherness. Teammates Nate McFarren '99 and Bill James '99 offer one another support at a meet. Coach Greg Baadte characterized both teams as close-knit, cooperative groups.



R. Raus

Towering. High above the pool, Keith Schall '99 executes a dive. Both swimmers and divers practiced countless hours each week in order to excel in their events.

Timed. Mike Heyd '00 takes in some much needed oxygen at precisely the right point in the breaststroke. Timing of strokes was very important to swimmers, in addition to times.



R. Raus

Swimming and Diving

Men's Swimming and Diving

Mark Oberman
Bill James
Mike Cox
Chad Wisniewski
Joey Mead
Peter Straub
Steve Taylor
Josh Peterson
Nate McFarren
Mike Heyd
Keith Schall
Matt Anderson
Jim Inman

All-MIAA Team
Mike Cox

Men's

3rd
157-86
93-143
127-109
5th
62-164
125-115
121-110

97-140
3rd

Meet

GVSU Relays
Ohio Northern
Hope
Grand Valley
DePauw Invitational
Kalamazoo
Albion
Calvin
Hillsdale (Women's)
Olivet (Women's)
Wayne State
MIAA Championships
*Alma's score appears first

National Cuts.

Marisa Proctor (1 meter and 3 meter diving)
Renee DeGraaf (200m freestyle relay)
Amanda Barker (200m freestyle relay, 100m & 200m backstroke)
Danielle Sullivan (200m freestyle relay)
Katie Zellen (200m freestyle relay)

All-American

Marisa Proctor — 6th in 1 meter
5th in 3 meter

Women's

1st
181-47
68-170
92.5-149.5
2nd
112-131
156-89
131-110
132-99
204-26
155-180
3rd

Women's Swimming and Diving

Danielle Sullivan
Renee DeGraaf
Amanda Barker
Jennifer Bondy
Katie Zellen
Carrie Thomas
Laura Camann
Marisa Proctor
Libby Beckett
Jennifer Rocco
Heidi Borek
Katie Kanitz
Missy Merwin
Sarah Bourdo
Amber Bunting
Sarah Abbey
Sarah Weddle
Kelly Tucker
Amy Marklund
Allyson VanVeelen
Jennifer Lemke
Liz Anderlick
Becky Johnston

All-MIAA Team

Marisa Proctor
Danielle Sullivan
Amanda Barker

"Don't take life

too

seriously;

you'll never get

out of it

alive."

—Anonymous

Playin' Games An Active Study Break

During Winter Term, a visitor to campus around midnight might have expected to find most of the buildings on campus shut down for the night. Though the residence halls would be lit and full of activity, the computer labs, library, and other buildings would be closed until morning. This visitor may have been surprised, then, to discover noise and lights in the *Physical Education Center*???

When the campus was quiet, basketball players of all types could be found playing nighttime intermural contests. Basketball was not the only sport to have intermural (IM) competitions. Among others were football, volleyball, racquetball, and softball. Each varsity athletic season—fall, winter, and

spring—had a corresponding IM season. Students of both genders competed in IM for a variety of teams. Sororities and fraternities, floors on halls, other organizations, or just a group of interested students could form a team and participate in their chosen IM sport.

IM was a great way for students to get involved in sports on campus. Rather than support the varsity team that competed in MIAA and NCAA contests in a favorite sport, students could actually be active in the game themselves. IM contests were also a study break for the athletes and spectators, whether the game was played at midnight in the dead of winter or a sunny Spring Term Sunday afternoon.

—Carrie Rau '00

Game Time. Intermural softball players warm up for a Sunday afternoon game. Softball was a Spring Term intermural sport.



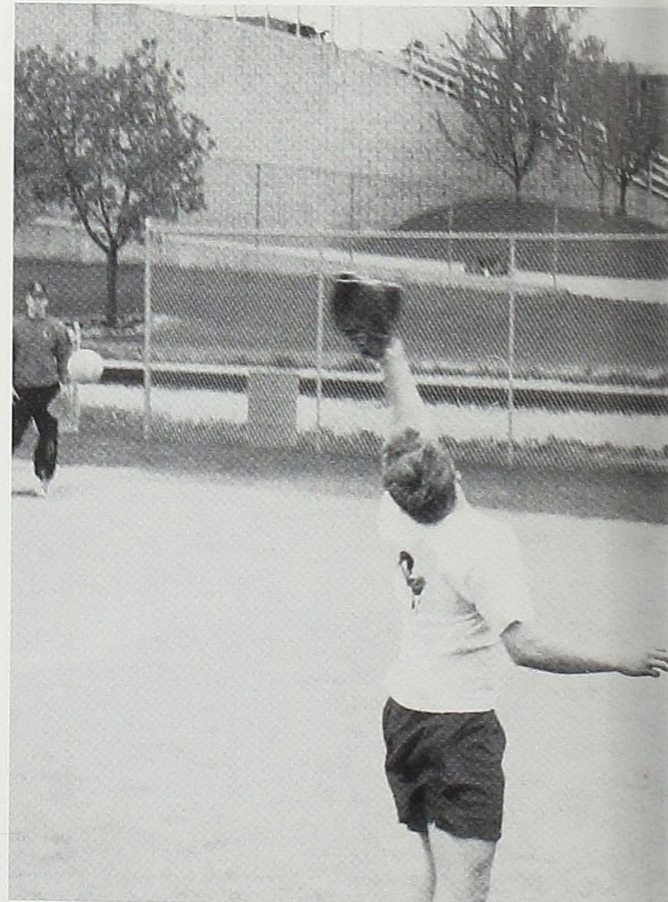
J. McClain



J. McClain

Grounds. Wendy Kahler '99 scoops up a ground ball during an intermural softball game. Other intermural sports included basketball and football.

Great Big Hit. A hard hit ball flies over the outstretched glove of Jason Squires '98. Jason's jumping abilities weren't quite enough to snag the powerful hit.



J. McClain

Intermurals

Intermural sports available included

Football

Volleyball

Racquetball

Basketball

Softball

"You are successful when you don't know whether what you are doing is work or play."

—Anonymous

Ten Activities for Sports Enthusiasts

1. Varsity Athletics
2. Intermural Sports
3. Morning Lap Swim
4. Fitness Center/ Weight Room
5. Racquetball Courts
6. Tennis Courts
7. Beach Volleyball at Newberry Beach
8. Running
9. Rollerblading around campus
10. Spectator

"Things turn out
the best
for those
who make the
best of how
things
turn out."
—Anonymous



Rain Delay Making Do Indoors

The women's tennis team faced a season in which bad weather was a fact of competition. In fact, all the home tennis meets were "rained in"—moved to an indoor location because of rain, snow, or other bad weather—resulting in a lack of photographs for both the yearbook and the public relations department.

Nonetheless, the women performed to the best of their ability. Coach Tammy Anderson was extremely proud of her spirited team. The team shut out squads from Adrian and Olivet 9-0. A highlight of the season was

a third place finish in the MIAA tournament for Kristine Kuhna '98, a performance that earned her a spot on the all-conference second team.

At the team awards banquet, several athletes were honored for their performances throughout the season. Jatell Driver '99 was named Most Valuable Player. Angie Stoutenburg '00 was named Most Improved for the season. Angie shared the Spirit Award with Jill Woehrmann '97.

—Carrie Rau '00



Jostens

Jatell Driver '99

#1 Singles 4-7-0
#2 Doubles 5-4-0



Jostens

Kristine Kuhna '98

#2 Singles 4-6-0
#1 Doubles 2-6-0



Jostens

Jill Woehrmann '97

#3 Singles 3-8-0
#1 Doubles 2-6-0



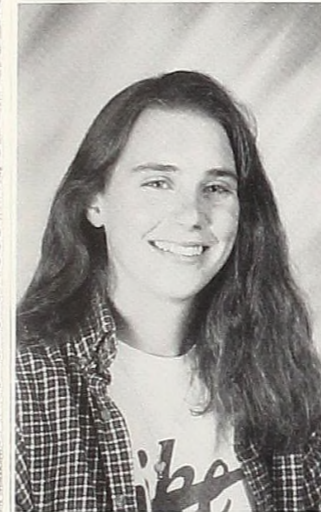
Jostens

Lisa Tessmer '98

#4 Singles 6-5-0
#2 Doubles 5-4-0

Sarah Hypio '98

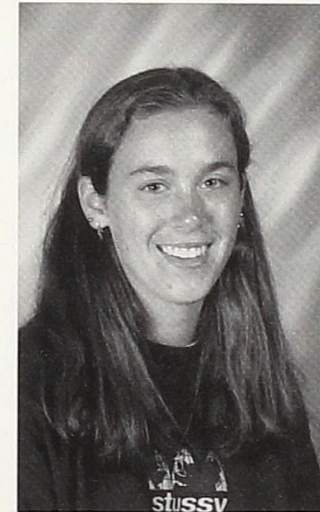
#6 Singles 4-7-0
#3 Doubles 3-5-0



Jostens

Betsie Keeler '00

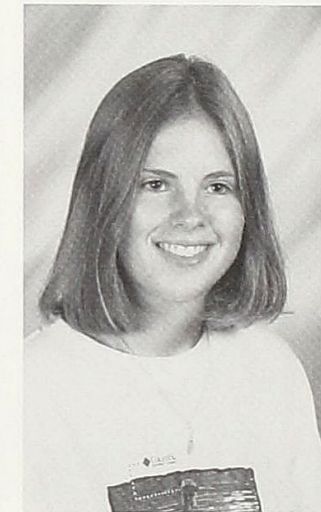
#7 Singles



Jostens

Angie Stoutenburg '00

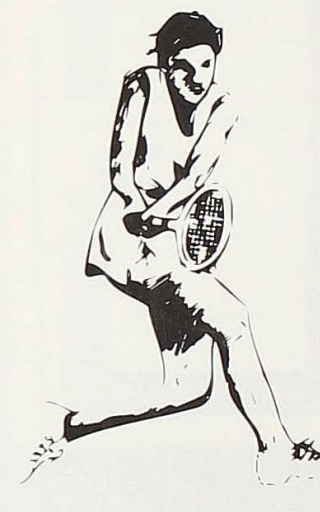
#8 Singles



Jostens

Alyson Ferris '98

#9 Singles



Jostens

Not Pictured:
Tricia Hannig '98
#5 Singles 5-6-0
#3 Doubles 3-5-0

Women's Tennis

MIAA Dual Meet Results

Adrian 9-0
Albion 3-6
Calvin 2-7
Hope 0-9
Kalamazoo 0-9
Olivet 9-0

*Alma's score appears first

All-MIAA Team
Second team: Kristine Kuhna '98

Attitude

"The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts—It is more important than successes, than what other people say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness, or skill. It will make or break a company... a church... a home. The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change our past... we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing that we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude. I am convince that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it.

—Charles Swindoll

"Courage is a virtue that makes others possible."
—Anonymous



Starting Over Where to Begin...

After losing four players to graduation, the men's tennis team found itself facing a rebuilding year. Adding four first-year students and two juniors new to college tennis, all vying for three varsity positions, the team's initial going was slow, as the team had to learn to "play its way into a cohesive unit," according to Coach Bob Harrison.

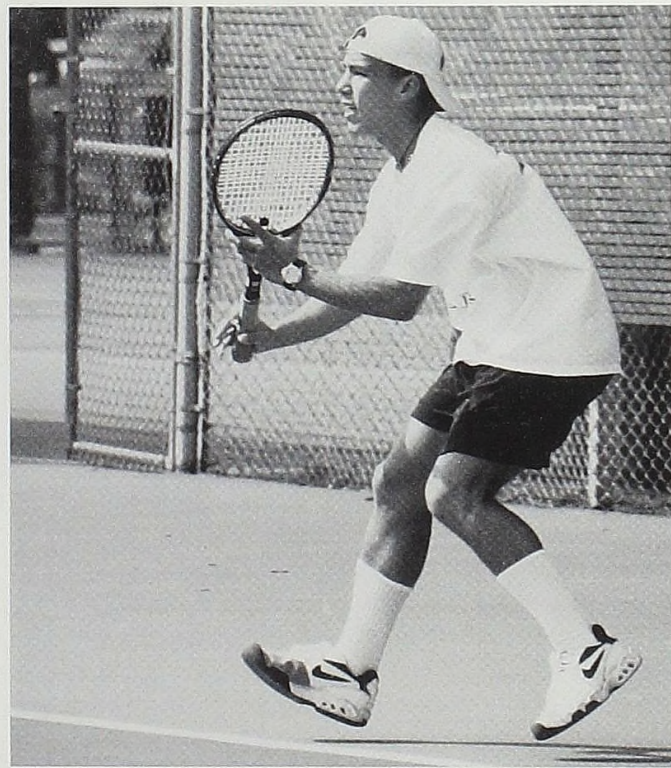
The season got off to a slow start. Number one singles player Nathan Lounds '97 was still committed to the basketball team, and the squad traveled on its Florida spring break schedule with a junior, a sophomore, and four first-year students. Since Alma's spring break is a week earlier than most Division III schools, the squad could only schedule matches against Division II schools. Consequently, the four matches scheduled for the tour were difficult and resulted in losses that were nonetheless valuable learning experiences for the young team.

Upon returning from Florida, the team picked up a pair of victories and another loss against a tough Northwood team before entering conference play. The team finished 2-3 in the MIAA. Their overall record was 7-10, with a 6-3 record against Division III schools.

The highlight of the season came at the MIAA tournament, as the number one doubles team of Nathan Lounds '97 and Chris Ahn '98 scored an impressive victory over Hope. There was no break of serve in the 39 games played during the match.

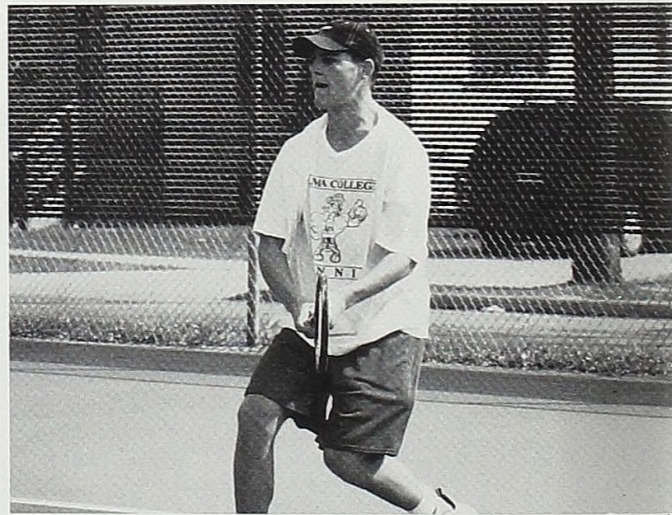
"Our season was one of adjustment, with up and down play while we worked out the changing combinations. The leadership of Nate Lounds and Chris Ahn with the developing leadership of Bill Zeedyk '99 inspired the team to improve throughout the year and represent the school with class," said Harrison.

—Carrie Rau '00



T. Lounds

Reacting. Chris Ahn '98 prepares for his opponent's next move. Chris was the team's number two singles player and combined with Nathan Lounds '97 in the number one doubles team.



T. Lounds

"After losing four players from the 1996 squad, the 1997 Scot Tennis team was one that had to play its way into a cohesive unit."

—Coach Bob Harrison

Rare Moment. Aaron Barnhart '00 gets a moment's rest as he waits for his opponent's next move. Aaron was the number four singles player on the squad.

Reach. Nate Spang '00 reaches for a low hit. Nate was one of four freshman vying for three open varsity positions.



T. Lounds



Opponent	Win or Loss
Ferris State University	Loss
North Florida University	Loss
Webber College	Loss
Eckerd College	Loss
Hillsdale College	Win
Kalamazoo Valley C. C.	Win
Northwood	Loss
Albion College	Win
Calvin College	Loss
Adrian College	Win
Aquinas College	Win
Defiance College	Win
Grand Valley State Univ.	Loss
Cornerstone College	Win
Hope College	Loss
Spring Arbor College	Loss
Kalamazoo College	Loss

Men's Tennis



T. Lounds

Return. Nathan Lounds '97 watches his shot sail over the net. Nathan provided the only source of senior leadership for the young team.



T. Lounds

Ready and Waiting. Bill Zeedyk '99 concentrates on his game. Bill's developing leadership helped carry the team through a unifying season.

- Nathan Lounds
- Chris Ahn
- Bill Zeedyk
- Aaron Barnhart
- Ryan Webb
- Nate Spang
- Todd Driver
- Jeff Joy
- Kevin Stanley

"Greatness is repeated high level performances over a long period of time."
—Anonymous



Final Bow

Seniors and Field Go Out With a Bang!

While every season holds an ending for yet another hard-working group of seniors, the baseball season marked the end of another era as well. This was the last year the team would use Bahlke Field as its home facility, making way for a new stadium, and both the senior leadership of the group and its home field exited with a record-setting year.

After a spring break tour that left them with a 1-7-1 record, the team returned home in a big way, sweeping a three-game series against the defending MIAA champion Albion team. They pushed limits throughout the season, right up until their final three game series against eventual champions Hope, but winning the final game of the series, and the final game to be played on Bahlke Field. The team finished second in the MIAA.

Highlights of the season were

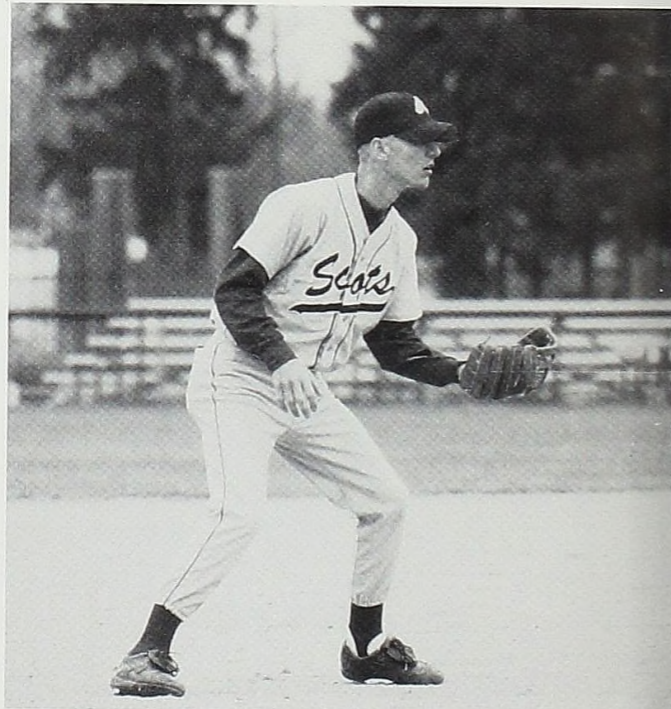
numerous. Steve Vance '97 went 9-10 hits against Kalamazoo, tying a league record. Five of those nine hits came in a single game, another record set. Steve also set career records for the number of games played at 130 and number of walks at 83. Scott Menard '97 led the league in runs scored and stolen bases. Andy Jacobson '97 tied the MIAA record for strikeouts in a season at 50 and broke Alma's record for strikeouts in a career at 168.

The thing Coach John Leister will remember most about his team is its spirit of cooperation and unity. "The thing this team will be remembered for will be the way in which they went about their daily work. This years Scots epitomized the term 'team.' The seniors left a legacy of togetherness and hard work for the younger players to follow."

—Carrie Rau '00



T. Lounds



T. Lounds



T. Lounds

Escaping. An Adrian base runner tries to escape while Scott Thomas '99 waits for the throw. Though Adrian was unkind to the team, winning 5 of 6 meetings, the team managed well overall in the MIAA.

Extension. (Top left) Andy Jacobson '97 reaches for the best pitch he can possibly deliver. Andy frequently came through, too, setting a record for most strikeouts in a career (168).

Expectant. Andy Meter '00 waits for a hit. Andy is one of the core of younger players Coach Leister expected to continue a legacy begun by the seniors.



T. Lounds



T. Lounds

Extraordinary. Steve Vance '97 returns the ball to the pitcher. The catcher holds the record for most games played in a career at 130.

Extra Effort. Ryan Janis '00 prepares to bunt the next pitch. Despite Janis's and his teammates' efforts, Adrian eventually won the game.

Baseball

Team Roster

Jason Cotton
Steve Vance
Scott Menard
Shawn Grant
Scott Heymoss
Andy Meter
Scott Thomas
Adam Hull
Ryan Janis
Scott Mantyla
Derek Zell
Nathan Sweet
Art Klawender
Mike Baszler
Joe Poot
Andy Jacobson
Matt MacDonald
Brian Balding
Kevin Harkness
Ryan Holzinger
Ben Washabaugh
Jim Bouchard
Aaron Young
Jeremiah Peace
Shawn Scott

Non-conference Scores

Capital 2-5
Capital 4-5
Capital 10-10
Capital 17-1
Mercy Hurst 7-9
Marietta 2-15
Pointe Park 7-14
Saginaw Valley 8-13
Aquinas 3-10
Cornerstone 16-4
Saginaw Valley 17-16
Aquinas 5-8

*Alma's score appears first

Conference Scores

Adrian 2-9
Adrian 6-7
Adrian 5-12
Albion 5-2
Albion 4-1, 5-3
Kalamazoo 1-6
Kalamazoo 10-5, 22-9
Adrian 2-1
Olivet 7-1
Olivet 4-2, 3-5
Adrian 1-7, 0-3
Calvin 1-2, 1-4
Calvin 8-5
Hope 2-6
Hope 3-4, 4-3

*Alma's score appears first

All-Conference Honors

First Team:

Steve Vance—Catcher
Scott Menard—Outfield
Joe Poot—Pitcher

Second Team:

Andy Jacobson—Pitcher
Scott Heymoss—Outfield
Andy Meter—Third Base

Honorable Mention:

Scott Thomas—First Base
Jason Cotton—Second Base

"You are successful when you no longer know whether what you are doing is work or play."
—Anonymous



Champs!!!

Another goal met!

The softball team enjoyed its second best record in history, finishing 33-9 overall. In addition, the team went 11-1 in the MIAA, finishing first in regular season conference play. They placed second in the conference tournament, and therefore tied Calvin (who finished second in regular season and first in the tournament) for the overall conference championship.

The squad received a bid to the national tournament and finished third in Central Regional play. Although this was a fairly satisfying end to a successful season, some of the players were not completely willing to surrender hopes for an even better future. "I was satisfied with the season, but I know we could have gone a lot further if we had put out more effort," said Erin LaCrosse '99.

While team honors were accumulating, individual honors were piling up as well. Andrea Hill '97, Lisa Meyer '97, and Becky Pierce '00 were named to first team All-

MIAA; Angi Ahac '97, Heather Bruder '99, and Sarah Lefke '99 were named second team; Kristin Gardner '98, Trish Archer '99, and Holly Bruder '99 were named Honorable Mention. In the regional tournament Lisa Meyer and Becky Pierce were named first team, Andrea Hill and Heather Bruder were second team, and Trish Archer was third team. Becky Pierce was also named a second team All-American, only the second in the team's history.

Team wise, Andrea Hill was the team's Most Valuable Player. Most Improved was awarded to Brandee Brower '00. Lisa Meyer was the team's batting champion, the Clutch Award was presented to Heather Bruder, and the Coach's Award was given to Kristin Gardner. Becky Pierce was named Rookie of the year.

"We had a good year.... We achieved a lot of goals and broke a lot of records.... We have a good group coming back for next year," said Coach Denny Griffin.

—Carrie Rau '00



T. Lounds

Sister Act. Heather Bruder '99 takes her turn at bat while sister Holly '99 warms up behind her. "I spend extra hours on homework on trips to the field and stay up later than everyone else because of practice, but it's all worth it," said Holly.



T. Lounds

Strikeout. Andrea Hill '97 winds up for another pitch. Andrea was named Most Valuable Player.

Search. Carolyn Whyte '98 tries to keep her eye on a foul ball. "I wouldn't give up softball for anything... To walk out on the field is an award in itself," said teammate Holly Bruder '99.



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Snagged. Heidi Wahl '00 completes a play. The well-rounded team was formidable on both offensive and defensive sides.

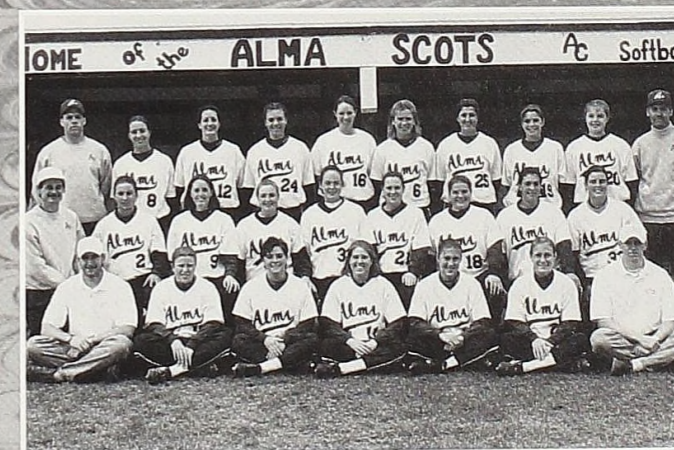


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Sorry. Stacie Vietzke '00 passes on a low pitch. Stacie is one of the young players Coach Griffin looked to as a strong nucleus for future teams.

Softball

1997 MIAA
Co-Champions!!!





T. Lounds

Row 1: Max Leonard, Sarah Lefke, Angi Ahac, Kristin Gardner, Amy Czaba, Kathryn Nordin, Alex Nicander. Row 2: Coach Griffin, Holly Bruder, Heidi Wahl, Stacie Vietzke, Shannon Gross, Lisa Meyer, Mitzi Janukaitis, Trish Archer, Carolyn Whyte. Row 3: Coach Farnum, Heather Bruder, Erin LaCrosse, Brandee Brower, Karyn Tucker, Andrea Hill, Melissa Strikulis, Jackie Cowan, Becky Pierce, Coach Hansen.

Third Place,
NCAA Division
III Central Region
Second Team All-
American Becky
Pierce

"The best way to
kill time
is to work it to
death."
—Anonymous

Combination Different Events, Same Goals

"Yes, track practice takes time, a lot of time when you're in more than one event, but the rewards are more than enough to keep me going. I know many more people than I would have had I not run track and have been part of terrific teams over the years," admitted Chele Pippin '97.

For Chele and her track teammates, this was an interesting and successful season. The women finished second in the MIAA, behind only the team from Calvin. During the first day of the MIAA finals, the day when most of the field events were held, Alma actually led the competition; however, as Calvin entered their stronger events on the second day, they captured and passed the team to win. The team did not come home empty-handed, though: along with record performances by many athletes, they brought home a list of MIAA honors.

Five athletes were named to the all-MIAA team for finishing first in one or more events at the meet. Meredith White '98, Joann Brnjac '98, Rainy

Inman '97, Sara Pettee '98, and Kristin Gilbert '97 received this honor. In addition, Joy Engblade '98 was elected to the All-conference team for outstanding performances in her two events, though she did not finish first in either. Joann was named the MIAA Most Valuable Player.

At the season-ending awards banquet, Kristin, Rainy, Mindy Call '97, and Tammy Adams '97 were recognized for serving as captains. Kari Patchkowski '99 was named Most Improved. Mindy was given an award for Best Attitude, and Joy and Rainy were given the Coaches' Award. Anne Grimaldi '00 was named Most Valuable Freshman and Joann and Sara shared Most Valuable honors. In addition, Rainy qualified for the national meet.

According to Chele, key to the team's success was "giving and receiving the encouragement and support found at practices and meets." And? "A good attitude...it's contagious!"

—Carrie Rau '00



Final MIAA Standings

- Calvin
- Alma
- Hope
- Albion
- Adrian
- Olivet



- GVSU Indoor 3rd
- Emory Invitational 7th
- Hope Invitational 2nd
- Olivet 138-3
- Hope 97-48
- Calvin 39-101
- SVSU Invitational 3rd
- Adrian 123-20
- Albion 92-44

*Alma's score appears first.

Women's Track & Field



J. Bandlow

Due to unfortunate circumstances, the staff of the yearbook was unable to obtain any photographs of the women's track and field events.

Row 1: Kristi Kern, Kristin Gilbert, Pamela Rooyakker, Dana Cole, Anne Grimaldi, Joy Engblade, Katie Rodgers, Carrie Rau. Row 2: Coach Frey, Kristi Trisch, Sara Pettee, Jenny Cornfield, Julie Morrill, Chele Pippin, Tammy Adams, Coach Gibson. Row 3: Coach Cook, Torree Stembol, Joann Brnjac, Michelle Peebles, Rainy Inman, Heather Venema, Jenny Dulz, Kendra Edwardson, Kari Patchkowski, Rebecca Walter, Ian Schmidt. Not Pictured: Jeanine Chura, Jaime Martin, Mindy Call, Meredith White, Sarah Fossati, Catherine McGaw.

"Remember that winners do what losers don't want to do."
—Anonymous



Putting It Together Building a Strong Team

The men's track team put together a highly competitive team that held its own in the MIAA, despite injuries and weather complications that sometimes hindered athletes in giving peak performances. They finished a strong third place in the final standings, close to second place Hope. Along the way, the team collected a series of personal bests, an impressive final record, conference-honored athletes, and a national qualifier.

Two athletes were named to the MIAA All-Conference team for first place finishes in the MIAA meet. Chad Mills '97 and Greg Knight '99 received these honors for taking the top spots in their events. Greg also qualified

for and competed in the national meet.

At the end-of-season banquet, team awards were given out. Captains Jason Nordbeck '97, Chad Mills, Jason Bandlow '97, and Josh Hicks '97 were recognized for their leadership. Jon Hanson '98 and Ben Witte '98 shared Most Improved honors. Pete Muccio '99 was given an award for Best Attitude. Jason Bandlow and Josh Hicks were presented the Coaches' Award. Greg Knight was named Most Valuable Runner, and Greg Bowden '00 took home dual honors for Most Valuable Freshman and Most Valuable Field Events athlete.

—Carrie Rau '00



GVSU Indoor 4th
Emory Invitational 5th
Hope Invitational 4th
Olivet 111-36
Hope 95-58
Calvin 64-89
SVSU Invite 6th
Albion 70-84
Adrian 92-58

*Alma's score appears first.

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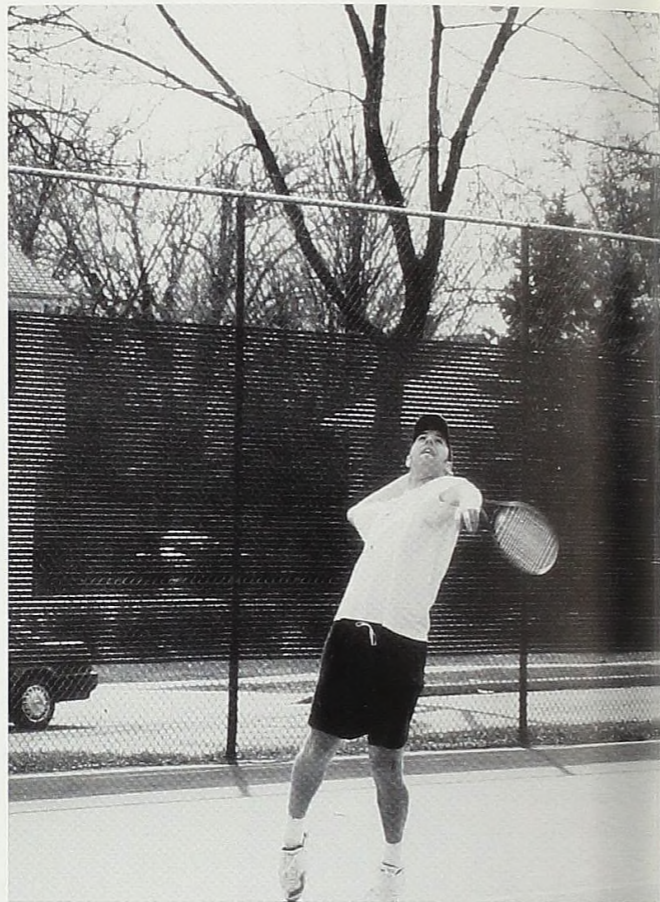
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SENIORS

Swish

Nathan Lounds '97 prepares to ace his opponent. Nathan was the only senior on the men's tennis team.



T. Lounds

Memories

Curtis White '97 and Brian Martin '97 pose to capture their graduation day in their history as well as in their hearts.



T. Lounds

Seniors opened the year with the Senior Sequence during Labor Day weekend. Arriving early—after the first-year students and before the sophomores and juniors—the seniors began their final year together. They greeted friends with smiling faces as they began to live out their memories.

Now was the time they, as a class, had to reach a decision concerning their Senior Gift; but what was worthy of giv-

ing back to an institution that had given them so much? The class of 1997 was determined to leave a lasting impression. They dedicated enormous amounts of time and effort to raise funds for their unique senior gift.

The seniors settled into their courses, focusing on their aca-

demics while setting aside time to socialize. They lived out their memories, day after day, unaware of which moments they would reflect back on in years to come. It wasn't long

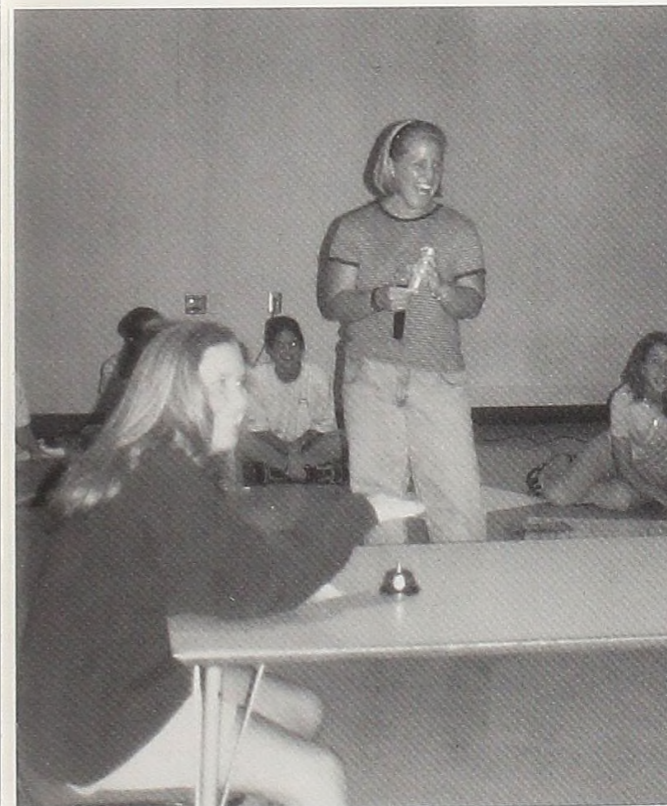
until they began reflecting on the things they would miss most when it was all over.

"I will always remember the friendships I made here."
-Annie Delind '97

Despite their losses, the seniors began to anticipate life after graduation, as well as graduation itself. They began scheduling interviews, applying for jobs and graduate schools, and planning to move on.

The seniors would look back on their years here with smiles, tears, and laughter. They had their memories to cherish forever.

-Cindy Fiedler '99



K. Reid



J. McClain

Ding Sisters

Stacy Silk '97 ring in to answer the challenge posed by Lori Tulgetské '97 during "Name That Tune" held Jones Auditorium. These seniors took part in their final homecoming week as students.

India Lovett '97 spends time with her sisters at the Kappa Iota house. The time India spent with her sisters created some of her most memorable moments.

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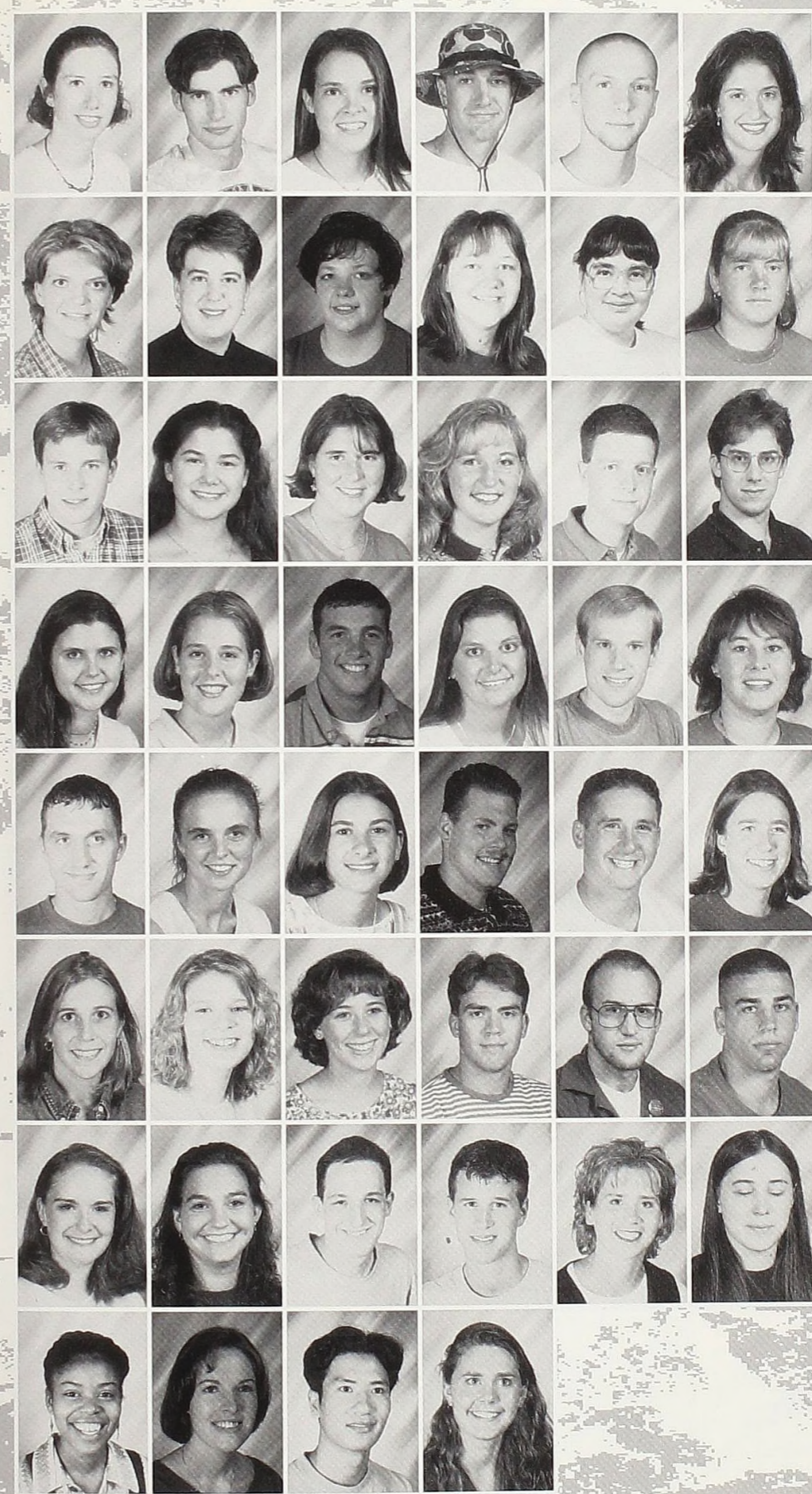
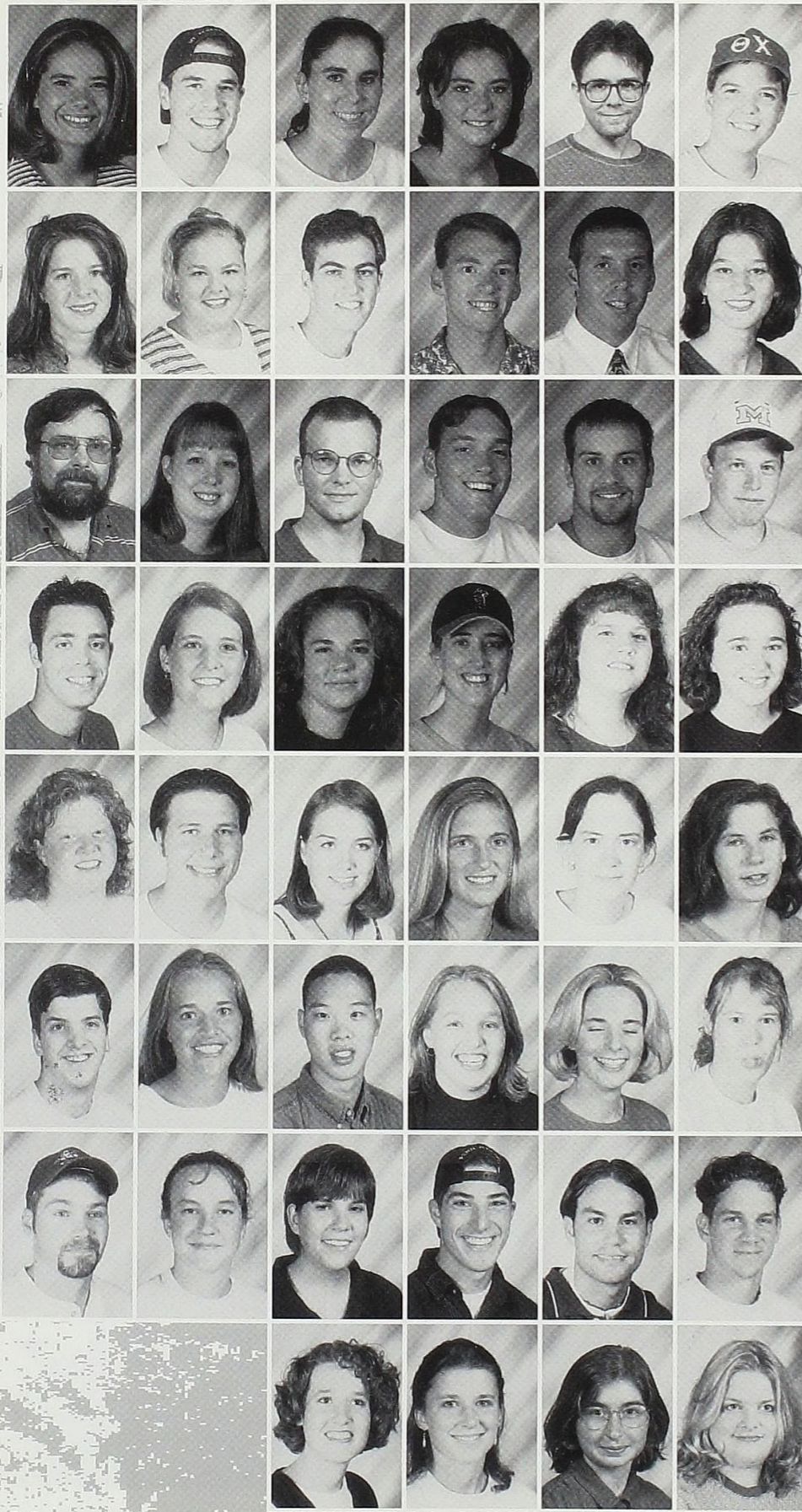
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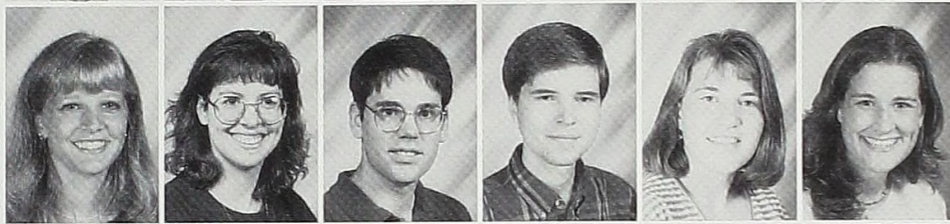
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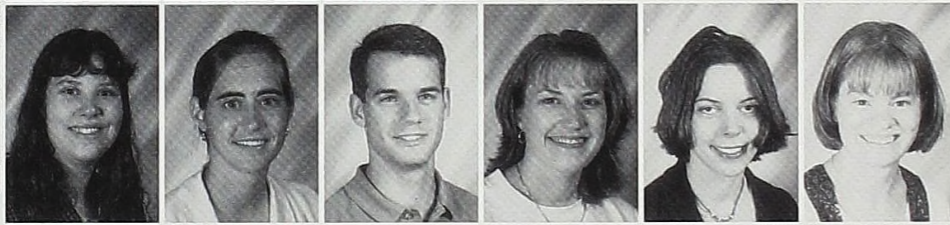
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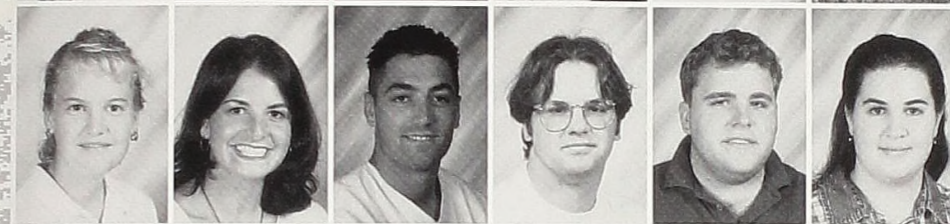
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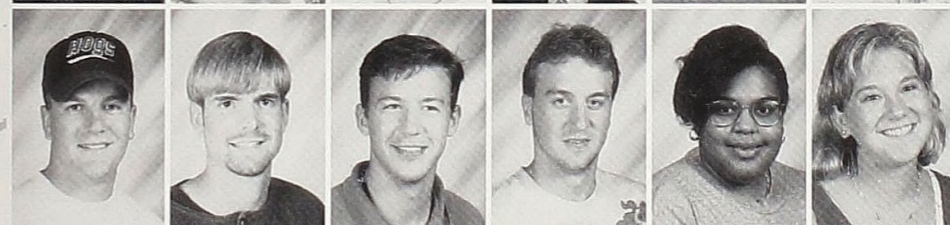
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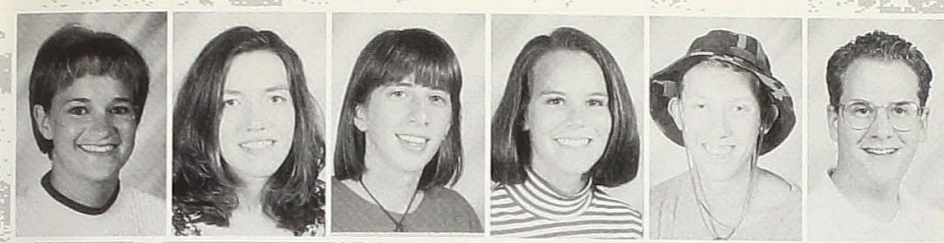
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Academics

Keeping on Top of...

Seniors did not leave here empty-handed or unprepared. Their final courses were nearly all upper-level and were taught by very demanding professors with high expectations.

Trey Garland '97 said his first term was very difficult because he had to do his thesis and his practicum in the same term in order to spend his final term in Vienna, Austria.

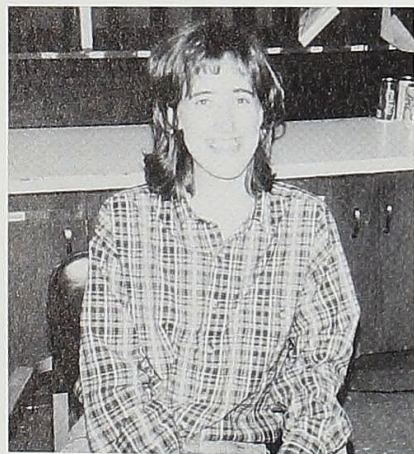
This combination caused an overall increase in stress in the lives of seniors.

Added to this were the pressures of application deadlines, resumes, and interviews. It was no small feat to have survived at all, let alone to have succeeded.

A majority of the seniors have gone beyond just graduating. They put in the

"The biggest problem I had this year was making sure I kept myself organized. This is the year where you are expected to know the 'rules of the game' and win that game."

—Lisa Meyer '97



D. Hoffman

While working at switch, Amy Brumm '97 finds a quiet place to concentrate on her studying, except when the mailboxes were full!

time and effort and earned departmental honors in every discipline. They have become Phi Beta Kappa Honorary members, among other honorary societies, and were awarded with acceptance letters to the top graduate schools in the country and well-paying jobs.

Don Hoffman '97 spent half of his senior year expecting to go to graduate school. He spent hours filling out applications and traveled to interviews in various locations. What actually happened was something he never expected: "I got a call from GM, where I applied two years ago, and they offered me a spot."

These long hours in the library and the SAC computer lab have been well worth the time for these seniors.

According to Kevin Harkness '97 and several other seniors from the class of '97, "It was all part of the long and difficult process of getting ready to graduate."

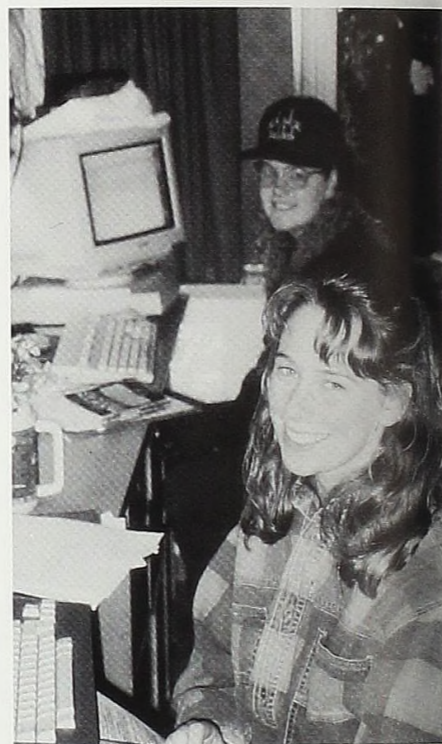
—Julie Tolles '00



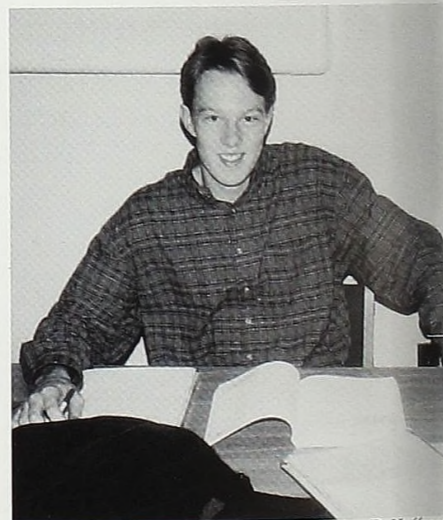
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Justin Burtch '97 enjoys his Graph Theory book for his Spring Term class.

Amy Grimley '97 and Trish Warner '97 spend another night slaving over papers for their classes.



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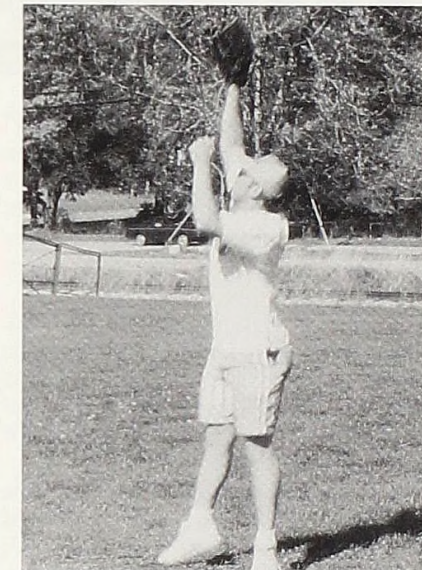
Wade Renando '97 studies for exams in one of the many study lounges on campus.

Kelly Kirkum '97, Angi Ahac '97, Jaami McClellan '97, Jill Hopkins '98, Samantha Jacobs '97, Michelle Olds '97, Ginnie Fairbanks '97, Kristin Gardner '98, and Andrea Hill '97 enjoy an evening of laughter and fun together on a Girls Night Out.



S. Jacobs

Tom Burzyck '97 waits to catch the softball during a relaxing afternoon game with friends.



E. Fitton

Socializing

A Little... On the Side

Every student on this campus learned social relationships were a significant factor in student life, regardless of class status. Each student went through a major transition from high school friendships to the meaningful bonds they formed here in a short period of time.

The seniors were no exception to "normal" student behavior.

Lisa Meyer '97 reflects, "This was the time of year when I really started to think about my friendships and how much I have taken them for granted. It was nice only having to walk a few minutes to see all of my friends." Some seniors had a more difficult year than others, but they all made sure that they spent plenty of time socializing as well as studying.

"My fall term was really tough because

I was taking a lot of courses to finish my computer science minor and I hardly saw anyone because I was studying all the time. But winter term was a lot better because I was able to take a lighter load, which equated to more free time to spend with friends I may not see again for a while," said Lora Bingham '97.

For the past four years, the seniors have been to their share of Greek parties, attended countless ACUB events, participated in campus wide activities, helped charities, and shared their experiences with others. Now they had to leave this environment and venture into the real world. In a way, they had to start over again, making new friends and finding their place: it was another step along the journey of life in the pursuit of happiness.

—Julie Tolles '00



D. Hoffman

Laura Ringle '97 takes a study break to make the trek down to On Cue to pick out a movie.

"Since I'm from Georgia, my friends here have become my family. I'm going to be sad to leave them, but I'm ready to graduate."

—Samantha Jacobs '97

Interviews

How to Be a Success

In the fall, "Dress and Dine With Success" took place in Van Dusen Commons. The event was sponsored by the Center for Student Development, the Business Club, Senior Class Officers, the South Complex RA staff, as well as Dr. Jonieta Stone, Susan Kadlec, and Carolyn Chambers.

The purpose of the evening was twofold. First, the students were introduced to proper etiquette for an interview luncheon or dinner. Second, they were shown what type of clothing was appropriate for interviews.

Both juniors and seniors attended the informative night hoping to be as prepared as possible. They were collecting more information in order to feel comfortable, rather than nervous, when they were making that all-important first impression.

Dr. Jonieta Stone and Susan Kadlec each discussed different points that were important in having a successful interview.

Dr. Stone provided handouts which addressed questions like: "Which fork do I use when there is more than one?"

The students were able to apply what they learned as they ate their meal of vegetable soup, chicken alfredo, and cheesecake.

Kadlec spoke about the importance of appearance once the date of the interview has been set. She emphasized the fact that "a positive or negative impression comes across to another person within the first thirty seconds of meeting someone."

The organizers of the program found college students to model their own suits for the rest of the attendees. Chambers critiqued each outfit and its suitability for different types of interviews (corporate job versus a graduate school interview). Throughout the session the students were allowed to ask questions of the three speakers. Their inquisitive minds wondered about such things as what to order, drinking alcohol, how to wear their hair, and even nail polish color.

This event was part of the Career Preparation commitment of the college to its students. The organizers did not want any student to feel as though they had no experience or even prior knowledge about the interviewing process. At some point, every graduate encountered this process and this event will continue to occur in the future to assist as many students as possible.

"Dress and Dine With Success" was a success!



M. Terrian

A large group of juniors and seniors sits in Van Dusen Commons listening to Dr. Stone and Dr. Kadlec advise them about the interviewing process.

"We tried to get people in different career dress and it was nice that all the models had their own suits to wear."

—Daiva Stonys '97

Dr. Jonieta Stone is discussing what kind of tie will make the best impression. Chris Deming '97 looked concerned about his choice.



M. Terrian



M. Terrian

Shannon Wagner '97 is modeling her business suit as Dr. Stone points out the appropriate skirt length for women.

"The Meeting Place"

The Class of '97 Contributes...



J. Tolles

This grassy space in the middle of McIntyre Mall was the chosen site of the memorial to Steve Christner and Heather Hagaman.

Two years ago, Steve Christner lost his life in an automobile accident. He was a member of the class of '97. Last year, Heather Hagaman, also lost her life in a car accident. These two positive, upbeat individuals contributed a lot to the college and the other students. The seniors wished to honor their memory through the Senior Challenge. Brian Zollweg '97 and Samantha Jacobs '97 were co-chairpersons for the Senior Challenge for the class of '97. They coordinated a select group representing the senior class; their purpose was to return something to the college in gratitude for all the college has done for them.

Brian and Samantha were joined by seven other seniors: Jason Darrow '97, Rainy Inman '97, Don Light '97, Dawn DiPonio '97, Sarah Oglenski '97, Kathy Kasprzyk '97, and Emily Damstra '97.

Together they decided not to give the traditional gift of a scholarship in honor of their class members. They desired something that was going to last and was visible to students, faculty, and alumni. The group noticed that a pathway had been worn into the grassy area that is in the middle of McIntyre Mall and that many students could often be found studying beneath the trees. They came up with a plan to place a brick pathway through the grass and add stone benches encircling the area. Plaques placed on the backs of the benches will commemorate Heather and Steve.

This project cost the seniors well-over \$10,000. They raised this money from the optional contributions of seniors, private family donations, and a raffle. They raffled off the opportunity to be "Dr. Stone for a Day." Dr. Stone had to attend the winning student's classes for a day to complete the role reversal. Michelle Murphy '97 won the raffle.

Any additional money that is not spent on landscaping around "The Meeting Place" was turned over to the senior class to assist in paying for the Senior Party. Co-chair Samantha Jacobs '97 said, "I hope that this will provide something useful to the college, as well as honor our classmates."

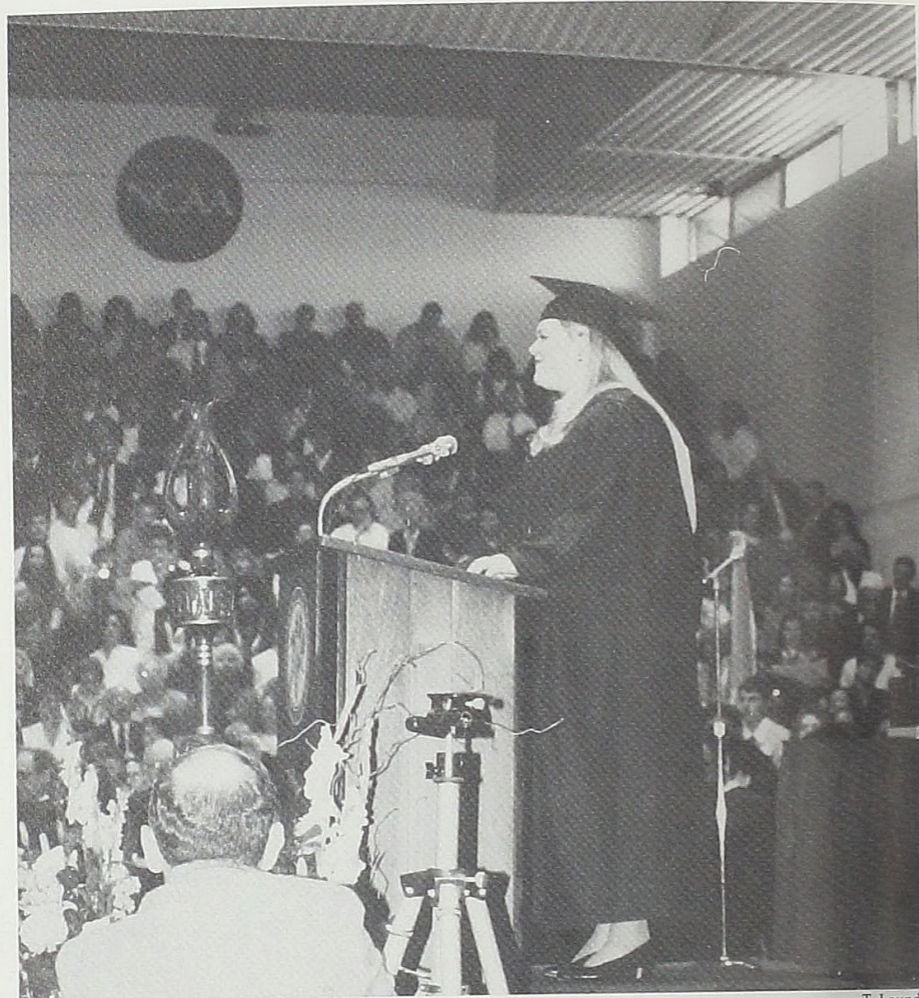
—Julie Tolles '00

"Heather and Steve will always live on in the hearts of those who knew them, but this memorial gives our class a tangible way to remember them as our friends and classmates."

—Laurel Peterson '97

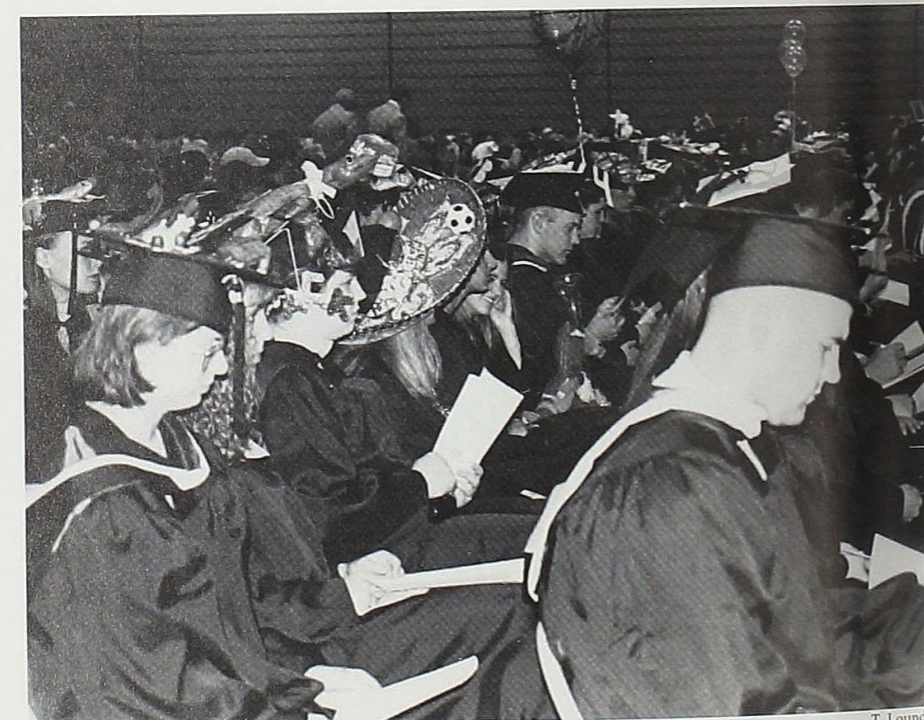
"I was proud to contribute to the 1997 Senior Challenge project, 'The Meeting Place,' in McIntyre Mall."

—Jill Oprea '97



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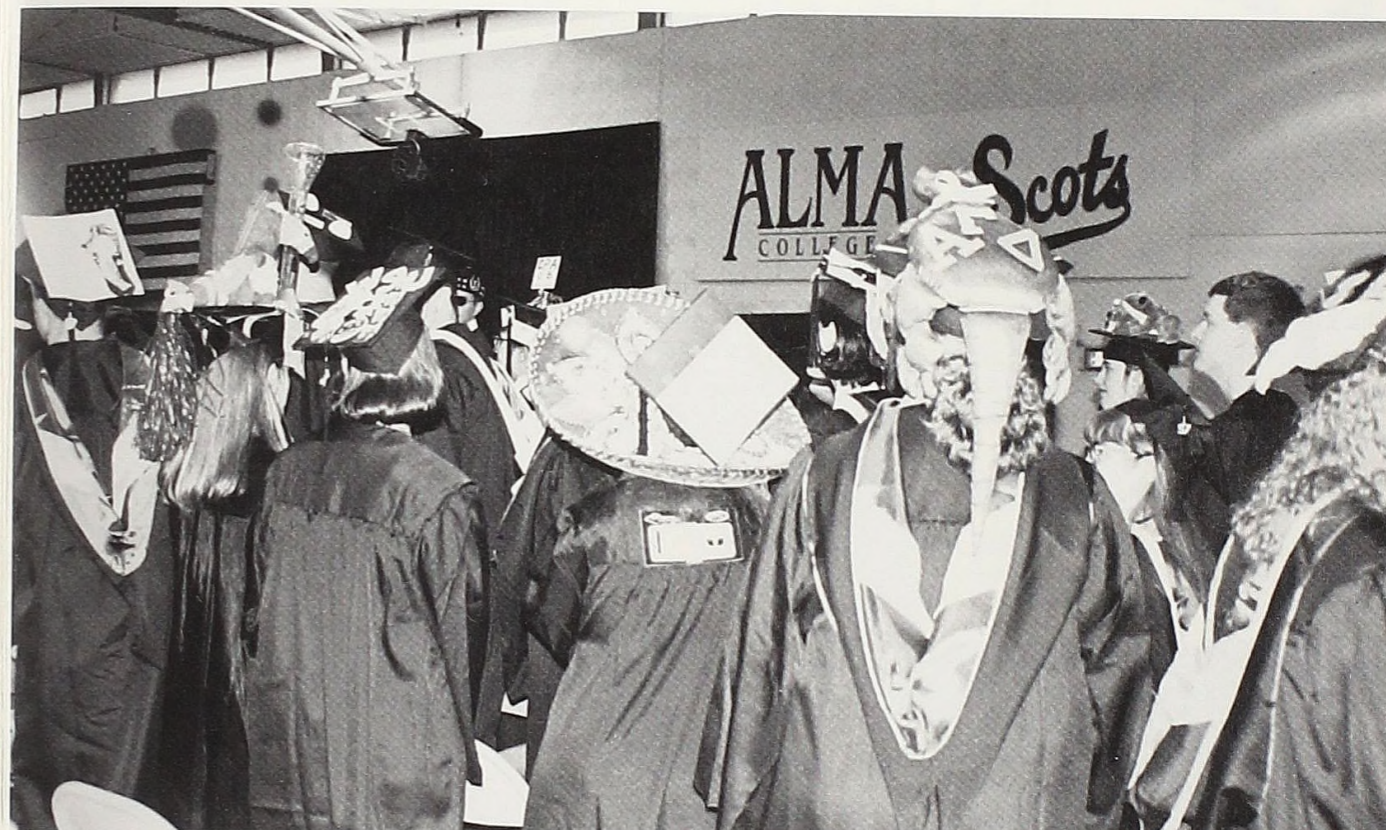
Monique Averill '97 addresses her fellow graduates. Monique was awarded the Barlow Trophy at Honors Convocation. She had been in competition Stacy Hill '97 and Mark Skinner '97 for this most prestigious award.



T. Lounds

The class of 1997 enjoys the attention they receive for their creative caps. Honors Convocation was remembered for its traditional cap decorations.

Graduates pondered their choice of decorations for months in advance. The night before Honors Convocation, Keisha Reid '97 said, "I haven't even decided what I'm going to wear on my cap. My friends are coming over to help me come up with something."



T. Lounds



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Byron Coffman '99 leads the procession into the Cappaert Gymnasium. Byron filled the air with traditional Scottish melodies.

Honors Convocation Recipients of All Classes

Honors Convocation had been anticipated by the graduating seniors for nearly three years, and now it was their turn. Seniors decorated their caps with everything from running shoes to laptop computers. Others wore sombreros or baseball caps in place of their caps.

Although the seniors had their fun, Honors Convocation was still a serious event. Members of the honorary societies were recognized

and others were inducted. The highlight of the event was the announcement of the Barlow Trophy recipient, Monique Averill '97.

The seniors also took this opportunity to present their senior class gift—"The Meeting Place"—to be established in honor of their classmates whose lives were taken prematurely.

-Cindy Fiedler '99

First Steps

Walking Towards the Future

Graduation was filled with laughter and tears, both happy and sad. Friends said good-bye, parents beamed with pride. Memories developed with every flash of the camera.

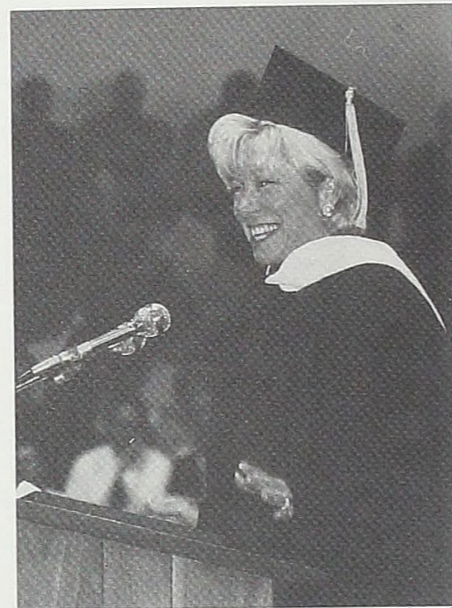
The graduates listened anxiously for the opening notes of "Pomp and Circumstance" to resound from the instruments of the band, signaling the beginning of the future. The choir serenaded the students, as its graduates gave their final performances.

Various also enjoyed the event, receiving honorary degrees for their hard work: Philippe Dunoyer received a Doctor of Laws, The Very Reverend Mr. Gillesbuig Macmillan received a Doctor of Divinities, Michelle Engler received a Doctor of Letters. Mrs. Engler then delivered the Commencement Address, "Choosing to Serve."

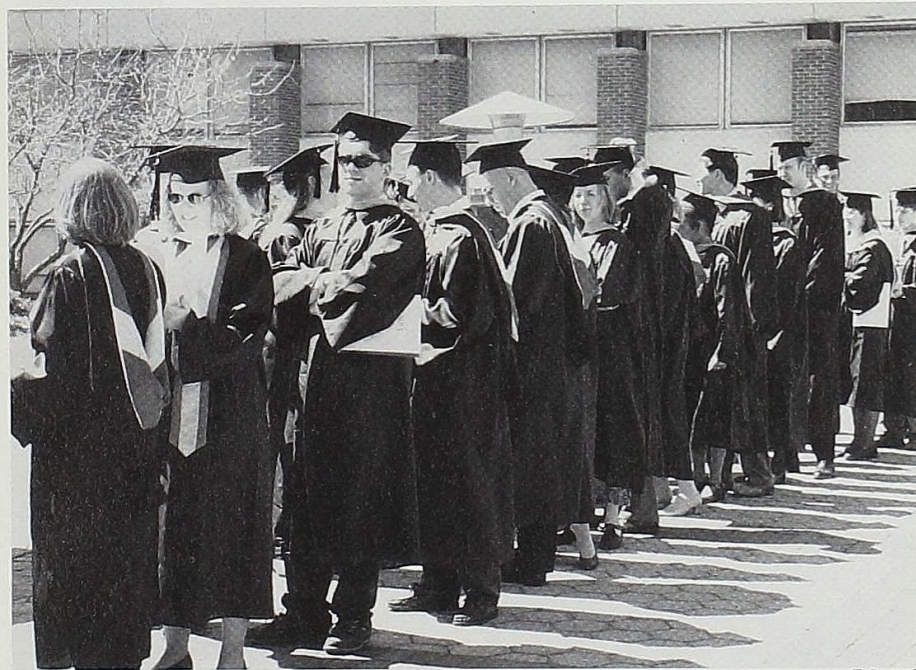
In the end—or the beginning—the seniors made a multitude of memories.

-Cindy Fiedler '99

Mrs. Michelle Engler delivered the Commencement Address during the Graduation ceremony. In addition, Mrs. Engler was conferred as an honorary Doctor of Letters.



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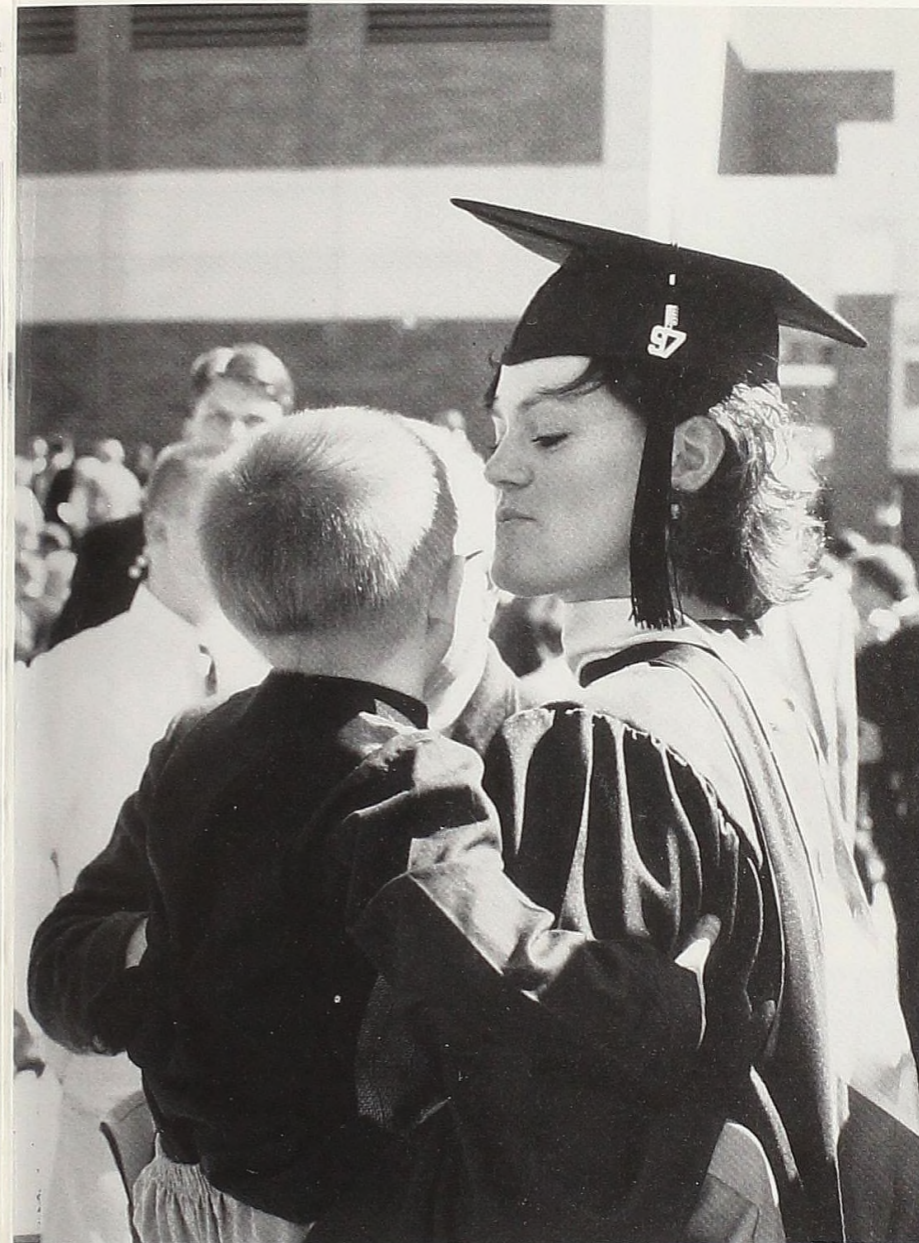
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The graduates waited impatiently to begin their proud march into the Cappaert Gymnasium.



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Megan Brunelle '97 and Amy Brumm '97 march into the Cappaert Gymnasium. Megan and Amy put in countless hours of time and effort to reach graduation.



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"It relieves a lot of stress to finally graduate, but now we will have new things to worry about."

-Larissa Vanderzee '97

Chele Pippin '97 celebrates graduation with a young admirer. Like many of her classmates, Chele was involved in many campus activities.



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Valerie Simmons '98 receives her degree from President Stone. Valerie expelled tremendous effort to graduate in three years instead of four.

Mark Skinner '97 congratulates his fellow graduate on their achievements. Many friends found it hard to say good-bye after graduation.



T. Lounds

Memories

Looking Back...

The graduating seniors collected many memories during their four years here. Ever since they first arrived on campus for Preterm Orientation, this has been their home. They'd learned a lot about their fields of study, but they'd also developed their personal identities. They were now preparing to go out into the "real world." Most seniors would have told you that their years here had a big impact on their lives, so what did they think they would miss the most after they had graduated?

They were not going to miss spending all of their time studying in the library. Joe Bogan '97, one who was known to frequent the library, remarked that "the library is going to be a boring place" after he is gone. They were not sad about not having Mariott food any longer. However, the nostalgia kicked in when they started to talk about the people. It turned out that the people are the most treasured aspect in the hearts of students. Aaron Wyman '97 described the people here as "fun, supportive, caring, and occasionally irritating!" The students and faculty formed a family and it was this family that made this school like home. This is what the seniors were going to miss the most about

Dawn DiPonio '97, Keisha Karlsen '97, Megan Graham '97, Molly Crawford '97, Kelly McCoy '97, Alissa Malsom '97, Staci Hill '97, Lory Tulgestke '97, Katie Sauter '97, Kristin Gilbert '97, Jill Woehrmann '97, and Stacy Silk '97 all gather in a senior pile at the GPB House.

"I'm going to miss my closest friends that shared in my smiles and tears, successes and failures, and joys and sorrows."

—Brenda Fish '97

their alma mater.

Who would they miss? Their circle of friends was at the top of the list. This circle consisted of nearly half of the campus for most seniors: the ladies in the cafeteria, their favorite professors, their Greek brothers and sisters, the people they had known all four years and the people they had just met recently. They had ties with the most interesting and intriguing people. Friendships were able to bring a smile to everyone's face. The seniors had lived through a significant period of time with these people; the friendships would never disappear.

—Julie Tolles '00



M. Terrian



B. Knust



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S. Hill

Staci Hill '97, Larissa VanderZee '97, and Laura Paetz '97 huddle together on the cold streets of Stratford, Ontario while they were attending The Stratford Festival. They were able to travel here as a part of their English class.

These four guys formed a life-long bond while they were watching Nitro wrestling on cable one night. Don Hoffman '97, Marcus Moore '96, Tom Glegola '98, and Joe Bogan '97 were the Four Horsemen of Delta Nu for life! Whoooaaah!

"I'm going to miss staying up until 3:30 in the morning talking to friends about the most recent gossip and I'm going to miss not having to do the dishes—I'm not going to have a conveyor belt in my apartment in Washinton, D.C.!"

—Eric Fitton '97

"I think I'm going to miss the Barnyard Bash the most next year."

—Megan Brunelle '97

"I'm going to miss the early morning say-lay (7-11) runs to get hot dogs and Slurpees, and I suspect 7-11 will, too!"

—Aaron Wyman '97

"I'm going to miss the friends that I've made. It's so easy to make friends here, and it's nice to walk across campus and recognize faces."

—Sondra Cox '97



K. Reid

Friends, Dinice Buitendorp '97 and Allison Shoemaker '97, pose for a picture prior to the AGD Fall Formal. They were going to miss getting all dressed up for the fancy sorority functions!

Michelle Murphy '97 and Monica Hoeft '97 go over their options at the Career Explo day in Van Dusen with personnel representatives from major corporations and businesses who were looking for prospective employees.

Looking Ahead

Seniors Anticipate



E. Fitton

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonians Brian Martin '97, Mark Petrocelli '97, Gordon Meyers '96, Jacob Radke '97 and Dr. Scott Hill pose for a picture. They had high expectations for their fraternity this year.

Why did they come here in the first place? Something about this college attracted well-over 300 students four years ago. Each one had their own story about coming here and why they chose this small, private school in the middle of Michigan and not some other college or university. Many came for the promise of the quality liberal arts education that would qualify them for an opening in a top-notch graduate school or placement into a promising career. That is exactly what they found here. They developed the knowledge, the social skills, and the thinking ability to accomplish anything they set their minds to.

Now that they had their four years of learning under their belts, they were well prepared to explore a whole host of opportunities. The students used the services available through the Center for Student Development to complete their resumes, established connections with alumni, and set up interviews.

The seniors knew about all of this when they started here. It was expected of graduates. There was a schedule of programs to follow so that everything was taken care of in plenty of time for graduation. Everyone was expected to either search for a job or to apply for continuing education. This was what the seniors had prepared for.

However, that does not mean that the unexpected did not happen. Life is not a stagnant happening; it is ever changing. The seniors entered their final year with certain anticipations of their own: some were confirmed, while others were surprised by the events of the year. There were quite a number of seniors who expected this year to be easier than the rest. They realized very quickly that this was not going to be the case. As always, the academics came first before friends and co-curricular activities.



T. Adams

Tammy Adams '97, Rebecca Walter '98, Kendra Edwardson '98, Nikki De... '99, Annie Grimaldi '00, Dana Cole '99, and Lisa Wittenbach '97 gather together after Cross-Country Regionals; Tammy's and Lisa's final regional meet.

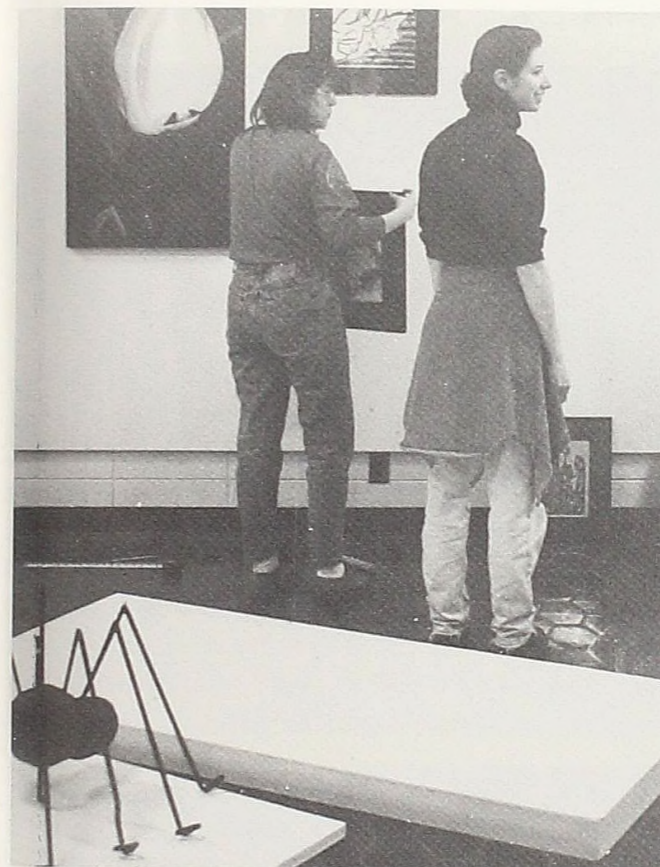
"It was far more difficult to achieve the perfect balance between studying and having fun than it had been any other year".

—Emily Damstra '97

"I was ready to continue on with my life. Its time to turn the page and begin a new chapter."

—Trey Garland '97

Cate Humphrey '97 and Emily Damstra '97 are busy arranging their works for the Senior Art Show.



D. Warner

Many seniors decided that they were going to pursue double majors, requiring them to take the maximum number of credits for the terms. Kathy Kasprzyk '97 decided to double major two days before Thanksgiving which meant she had to take a full course load in order to fill the requirements of both majors. Despite the extra work, she said, "It was worth it because when I arrived in Washington, D.C. where I was hired as the business manager for a new catering company I was ready for my job."

Seniors noted friendships were changing. They all agreed there were many people they were sorry to say good-bye to.

Sarah Layman '97 recalled that it was a great year for her. "I have met so many new people that I wanted to keep in contact with in the future. This last year was more stressful because I knew that there were so many people that I may not get to see again."

Even though friends have gone their separate ways and have been scattered across the country, the friendships that the seniors developed here would be carried with them in their hearts forever.

This college provided more than just a quality liberal arts education for the class of '97; it shaped their lives and created compassionate, intelligent citizens.

—Julie Tolles '00

Sarah Goeckes '97, Sarah Layman '97, and Jen Mitchell '97 have found that their friendship strengthened this year while others drifted apart.



S. Layman



S. Jacobs

Greg Mans '97, Christian Colby '97, Craig Fritts '97, Jaami McClellan '97, Samantha Jacobs '97, and Angi Ahac '97 were all anticipating their long flight for their Spring Term class.

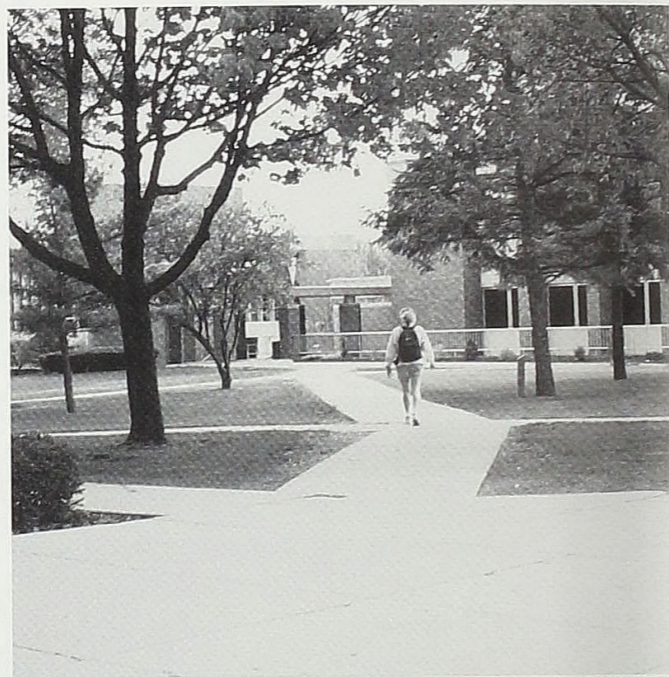
"While my senior year was undoubtedly the most rewarding year I've spent here, it was also my most stressful".

—Lora Bingham '97

COMMUNITY

Beauty

Although students, like Danielle Sullivan '97, enjoyed walking through the campus, residents from the community could often be found enjoying the natural beauty of the grounds. They were often seen walking, biking, and rollerblading around the campus.



J. McClain

Occupation

The Homecoming parade struts proudly down Superior Avenue. The students invaded the street of the city during various celebrations throughout the year.



J. Marti

Every year students inhabited the campus to begin another challenging year of classes, social events, and extracurricular activities. At the same time, these students returned with their contributions to the community.

Students were often involved in organizations that reached out to the surrounding community. For example, many students devoted their time as Big Brothers and Big Sisters. These students provided activities and alternatives to less fortunate children. They often went swimming

together, played games, watched movies, or involved themselves in other activities.

Through campus organizations or as individuals, students volunteered their time at community centers. Many joined the adopt a grandparent program or volunteered at the Michigan Masonic Home. Others worked at a variety of establishments from the Strand Theatre to the Chamber of Commerce.

Students also volunteered their time as tutor to the community school children.

Tutors went out of their way to meet with children at their homes, at their schools, or on campus. Education majors also became involved in community education programs. Often they volunteered to assist teachers in the classroom before they were placed as student teachers. The students benefitted from the experience while the

"The Pine River clean-up is a wonderful tribute to Dr. Tracy Luke that everyone benefits from."

-Julie Grannis '98

teachers benefitted from the assistance.

Student organizations also gathered to care for the surrounding community. Several organizations were involved in the adopt a highway program, others raked leaves for the elderly, while others cleaned up the Pine River. Students took pride in their home away from home, and dedicated the time and effort to prove it.

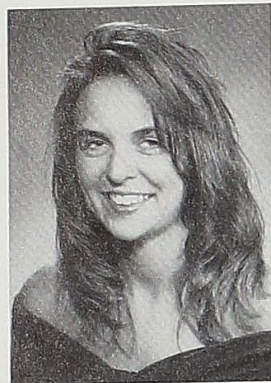
-Cindy Fiedler '99

Contributions

Nicki Deja '99 walks to the parking lot preparing to leave campus. Students often ventured off campus to patronize local businesses during the academic year.



J. McClain



*Congratulations to
Kristin Kay Gilbert*

*A job well done. You have
made us very proud.*

*Love,
Mom, Dad,
James and Karen*



Shannon,
Cest magnifique! Tres
bien! Best wishes for
a great future.

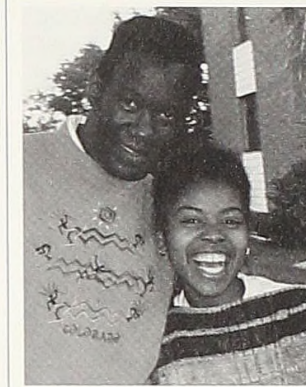
Love you,
Dad, Mom, Sarah,
Grandma W. & Kai



They that wait upon the Lord shall
renew their strength; they shall
mount up with wings as eagle;
they shall run, and not be weary;
and they shall walk, and not faint.
Isaiah 40:31

Congratulations Nicole!!!

We Love You,
Dad, Mom, Richelle, and
Danielle



*Natural beauty comes in all
colors, strength in many
forms. When we learn to
honor the differences and
appreciate the mix, we're in
harmony.*

*Congratulations Sakina,
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Congratulations Kristi!!

You've always set your goals
high and made us very proud.
As you go on in life may you
always fulfill your dreams.

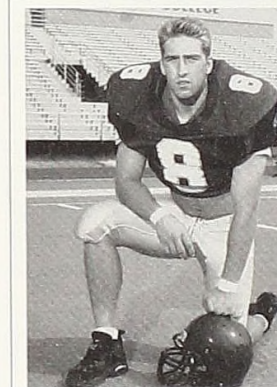
Love,
Mom, Dad, Mike & Greg



Congratulations, Greg!

With your drive, determination,
leadership, intelligence, and
above all, your very classy
wardrobe, you will go far in
life.

I Love You,
Mom



Congratulations -T.L. (Teresa)

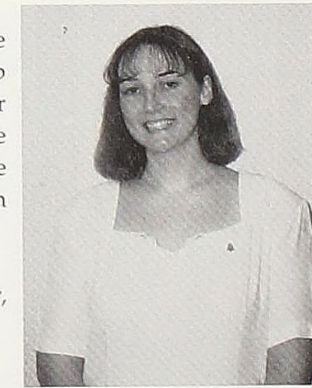
*We are all so proud of your
accomplishments!*

Love,
Grandma Fain, Mom, Kari,
Erich and Dad



Throughout your life you have
brought us joy and love. Keep
walking with God toward your
future and the reward will be
great. May you always strive
to change the world rather than
letting it change you.

Congratulations Allison Shoemaker,
Love,
Mom & Dad



Congratulations Lora,
You have had the
courage to dream and
plan and dare - those
qualities will take you
anywhere! Wherever you
go, we will always be
proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Maria & Kevin



...The beginning of a
wonderful career. All
the way to the White
House!! We are sooo
proud of you.

Congratulations,
Love,
Mom & Dad





Within you is an ideal, a voice of strength, and a promise of achievement. Within your hands are special gifts and talents. Within your mind is the source of your dreams. You have faith, spirit and confidence to succeed. Congratulations Adrea!

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Family



Congratulations Kerri!!

As you accomplish the first of so many personal goals our pride and love go out to you. You have always been our happy little girl but now you are also a serious, dedicated, mature young woman. We know you will make a difference in the future of many...

Love, Mom, Dad and Bill



Shannon,
Thank you for 21 years of happiness and joy. We are so proud of you. May your future be as bright and beautiful as you.

Love,
Mom, Dad & family



Congratulations, Tiffany, for all your accomplishments. We love you with all our hearts and are so proud of you. You bring sunshine to everyone around you. God has truly blessed us with you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Hilarie, Mike, Kenzie and the rest of your family.

CONGRATULATIONS KISHA,

WE ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU. HOPE YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE.

LOVE,
DAD, MOM, TROY,
FIONIA & KRISHNA



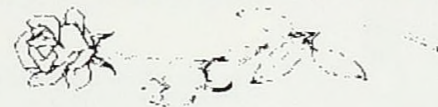
*Justin,
Congratulations!
Great Job!*

*Lots of Love,
Mom, Dad & Holly*



Justin Gustafson

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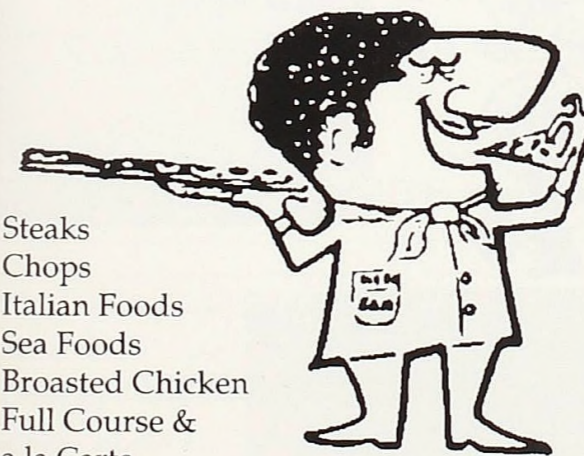


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*Congratulations Derek!!
Your accomplishments and character have made me proud. Continue to enjoy life, dream and appreciate your family and friends.*

Love,
Mom



We had a dream of a talented son who would develop his gifts to help others. Our dream has been fulfilled. May yours be. Congratulations, Adam!

Love,
Mom, Dad & Chris



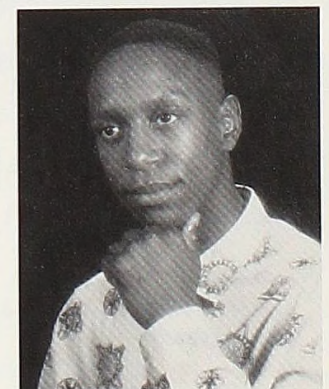
*Possessing beauty, brains, and patience you can do whatever!! We are very proud of you.....
Monique Rae Averill.*

Love,
Mom, Dad, Laurel,
Craig, Jed and the entire family.

John,

They're still sitting on the stairs, but you've gone on. We love you and we're proud of you. Congratulations!

Love,
Your family



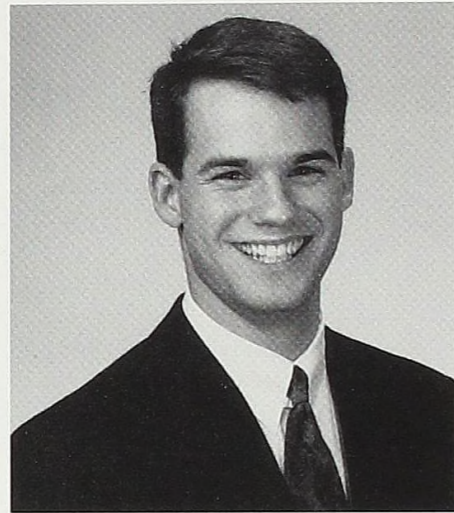


To see you happy, striving toward goals of your own, accomplishing what you've set out to do, and having fun with your friends along the way is what we have always wished for you.

As you graduate from Alma, we share in your excitement for what lies ahead and realize that our wish has come true.

Congratulations Andy!

Love always,
Mom, Dad, & Jennifer

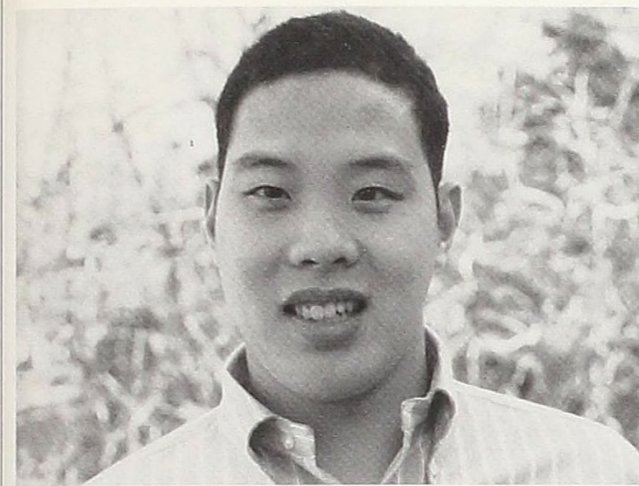


Every person passing through this life will unknowingly leave something and take something away. Most of this "something" cannot be seen, heard, or numbered. It does not show up in a census but nothing counts without it. Continue to leave your mark and

remember that imagination is stronger than knowledge, dreams more powerful than facts, laughter the only cure for grief, love stronger than death, and that faith supports all of our existence.

We're so proud of you!

Love - Mom, Gretchen, Anthony, Lin, Grandma, and Grandpa.



JONATHAN CHAMBERS
WHO SO PROUDLY WE HAIL
CONGRATULATIONS AND LOVE,
MOM AND DAD

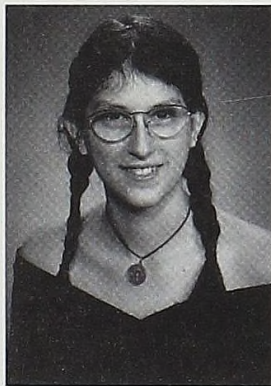


Friends forever through thick and thin... Good luck in the future. Success is what you make of it, always be happy.
In PKE, forever, Tugs

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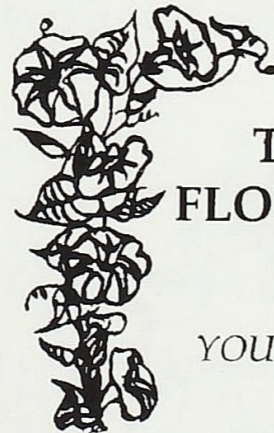


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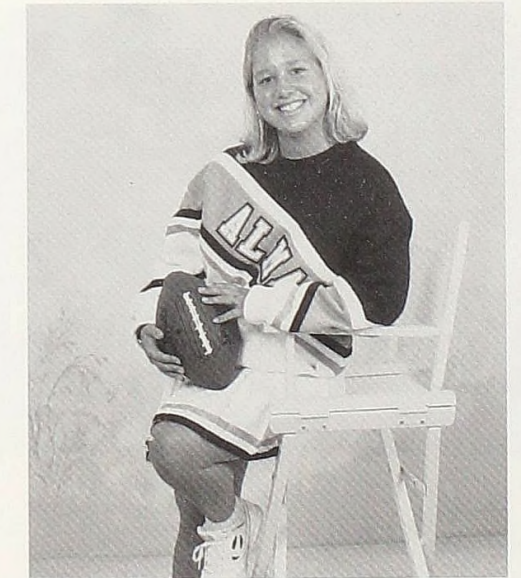
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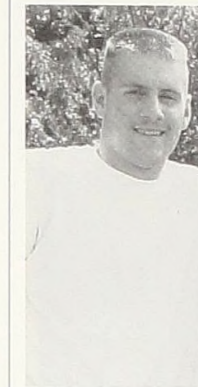
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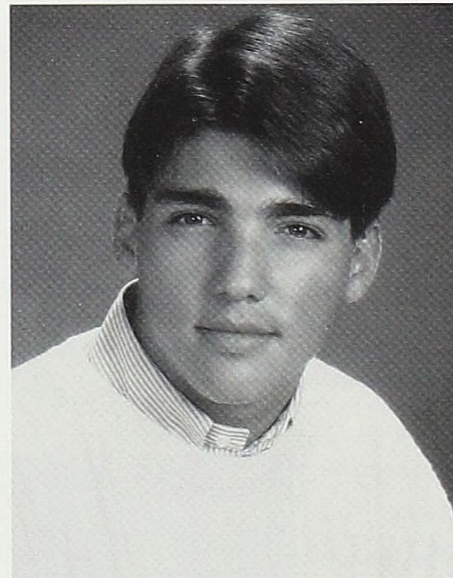


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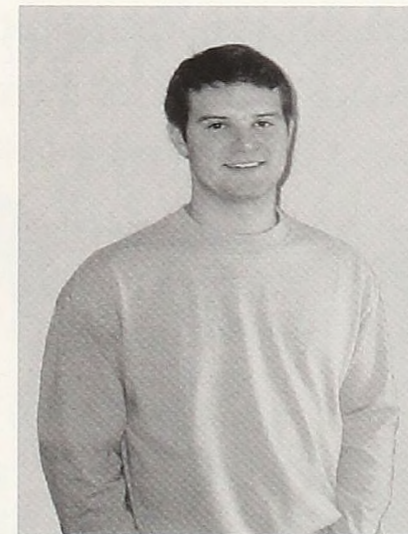
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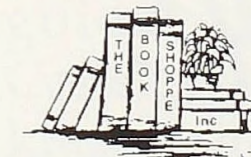
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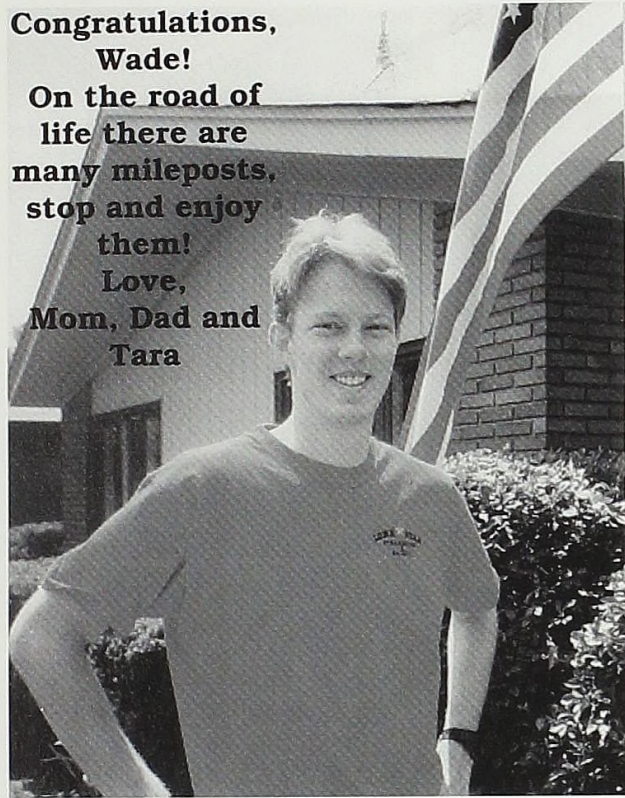
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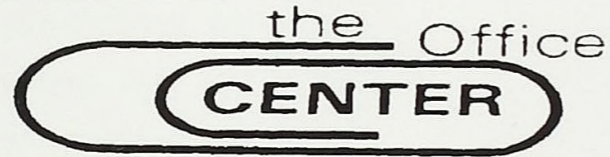
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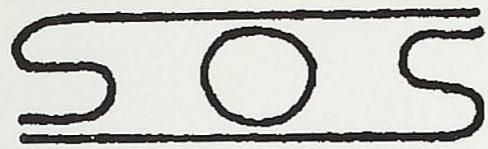
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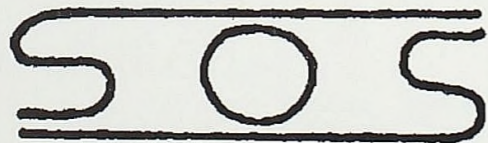
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Reflections

Release

Shonda Brown '00, Ajaisha Rodriguez '96, and Trevor Francisco '99 take advantage of the Homecoming Festivities. Students enjoyed social events such as dances, sponsored by a variety of different organizations. Social activities were just one of the pieces of college life.



A. Burnett



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Assistance

Students often volunteered as teaching assistants, especially for laboratory sessions. They created yet another piece of college life.

Presentation

President Alan Stone investigates a program on a laptop computer as part of an Honors Day display in the lobby of the Heritage Center for the Performing Arts. Honors Day was a new piece of college life.



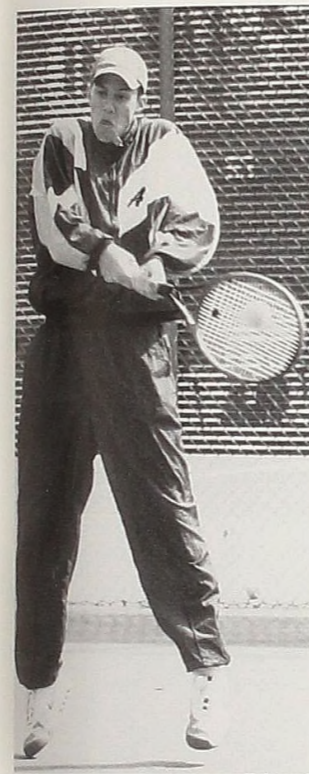
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Employment

Anna Moeggenborg '99 types steadily as she completes yet another assignment given to her by the Provost's office staff. Anna was one of the many students employed by the many offices on campus. They helped to complete the pieces of college life and keep things running on schedule.

Accuracy

Ryan Webb '00 makes contact with the ball as he swings his backhand. Sports were an important piece of college life to many of the students.



T. Lounds



C. Kaminski



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March

The Kiltie Band parades proudly down the street. The band was an important piece of many campus traditions.

As students involved themselves in new activities, returned to old ones, made new friendships, rekindled old ones and succeeded during another year of college they contributed to the puzzle that is college life. Each athlete, each scholar, each musician, each artist—each individual student—represented just one piece of the puzzle.

By collaborating their efforts and organizing themselves into athletic teams, clubs, sororities, fraternities, and even groups of friends they created new pieces to add to the puzzle. When these pieces were joined together, they formed the campus community each individual grew to know and love.

This campus of energetic students itself was just one piece of a larger puzzle. The campus became a contributor to the surrounding community on a multitude of planes. The campus also fit into larger puzzles like the Model UN competition, where numerous other schools came to compete, or the MIAA Division of athletics our athletes competed in.

In reality we are all one piece of a puzzle that can never be completed. What is important is that we continue to add new pieces and continue trying to fit the pieces we already have together in a new and original pattern.

-Cindy Fiedler '99

Perhaps the most important pieces of college life were the friendships created during the time spent at Alma College. Students shared experiences in classes, in dormitories, as well as in the organizations they established. Together, they worked through everything that happened to each and every one of them. They created the pieces that were most important—their individual lives.

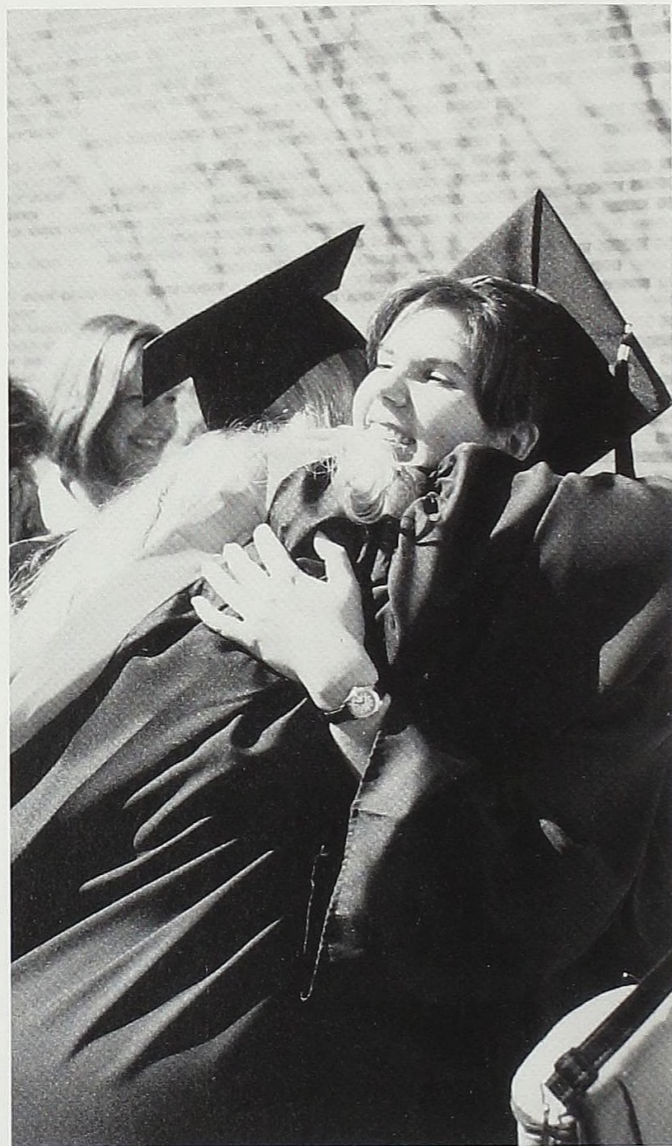
Expression Farewell

The students perform their final exam during their performing arts class. Students often enjoyed the times they shared together in class. One of the most popular classes among the students was "Dance Experience" instructed by Carol Fike.

Commencement was a time of celebration for all who attended, but it also marked the end of a piece of their lives. Students shared their goodbyes and wished each other well before beginning the new pieces of their lives.



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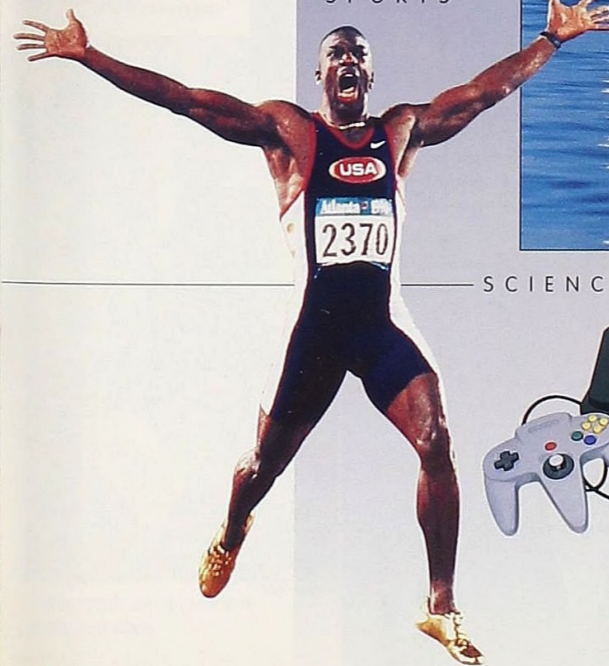
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In November, a hijacked Ethiopian airliner crashes after running out of fuel. The crash occurs near a resort beach in the Comoros Islands in the Indian Ocean. At least 123 of the 175 people on board die, including the hijackers.

After 36 years, Central America's longest civil war ends when Indian rebels and military leftists sign a truce in Guatemala.

British Telecommunications agrees to purchase MCI Communications for up to \$21 billion in November. The deal is the biggest foreign purchase of a U.S. company ever concluded.

A U.N.-negotiated treaty banning chemical weapons worldwide is set to take effect in the spring. The treaty prohibits the development, production, stockpiling or use of chemical weapons, and calls for the destruction of existing supplies. The treaty is signed by 160 nations, including the U.S.



AP/Wide World

Alija Izetbegovic, leader of Bosnia's Muslim Party of Democratic Action, is elected chairman of the country's new three-person presidency in September. The election is held in accordance with provisions of the U.S.-brokered Dayton peace agreement.

AP/Wide World



The Miss World beauty pageant, held in Bangalore, India in November, raises a storm of protests, some violent, including one by a group threatening to stage a mass suicide during the pageant's telecast. A new Miss World is crowned without incident.



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King Hussein of Jordan (right) visits the West Bank of the Jordan River in October to show support for the Palestinian-Israeli peace talks and the establishment of an independent Palestinian state. It is Hussein's first visit since Jordan lost the territory to Israel in the 1967 Arab-Israeli War.

Demonstrators gather in Toronto, Canada on October 25 to protest cutbacks in social services by the Ontario government. Thousands of people march through the city during "Metro Days of Action," organized by labor and social activists.



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Russian President Boris Yeltsin wins reelection in July, despite persistent health problems. After successful heart surgery in November he returns to work.

A pipe bomb explodes in Centennial Olympic Park after the first day of competition at the Summer Olympics in Atlanta. Flags fly at half-mast to mourn the 1 person killed and more than 100 injured.



AP/Wide World

Pope John Paul II undergoes surgery for an inflamed appendix in October. His chief surgeon, Dr. Francesco Crucitti, announces that the 78-year-old leader of the Roman Catholic Church is free from "previously undiscovered serious ailments."



AP/Wide World

In a group so large it could be tracked by satellite, hundreds of thousands of refugees abandon camps in Zaire in November and begin a journey home to Rwanda, which they had fled to escape a civil war. Closing of the camps forces the refugees to flee.



AP/Wide World

Mass graves containing the bodies of Muslims, allegedly murdered by Serbs in 1992 during the Bosnian civil war, are excavated in Bosnia-Herzegovina throughout the year as a shaky peace negotiated in 1995 continues.



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On July 17, Trans World Airlines Flight 800 explodes 13,700 feet above the Atlantic Ocean, killing all 230 passengers and crew members. The Boeing 747-100 was en route to Paris from New York. The cause of the explosion remains a mystery.



Agence France-Presse

Anti-American Saudi terrorists are blamed for a truck bomb that kills 19 U.S. service people on June 25 in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. Mourners grieve at a memorial service held in Khobar, Saudi Arabia.



AP/Wide World

More than 300 Tutsi refugees in the African country of Burundi are slain by Hutus, a rival ethnic group. The covered bodies, mostly women and children, illustrate the ferocity of the conflict.

Prince Charles, heir to the British throne, and Diana, Princess of Wales, are divorced on August 28. According to one observer, "The most spectacularly miserable marriage of the century is over."

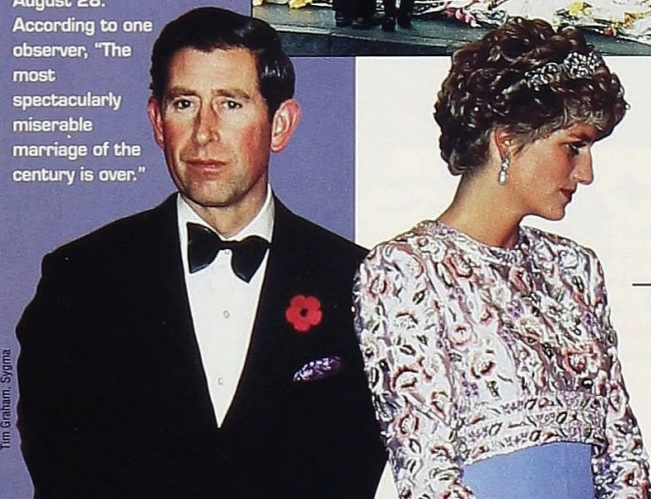


Tim Graham, Sygma



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Israeli right-wing leader Benjamin Netanyahu wins the May 1996 election for Prime Minister, defeating Prime Minister Shimon Peres, whom many Israelis think is making too many concessions to Israel's Arab neighbors.



Tim Graham, Sygma

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Former U.N. ambassador Madeleine Albright is nominated for Secretary of State by President Clinton on December 5. Confirmed in office in January 1997, Albright is the first woman to head the State Department.

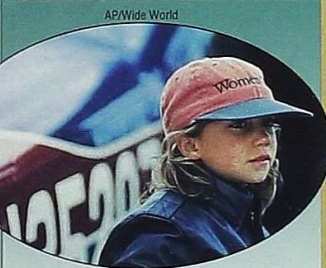
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The U.S. Army issues strict new policies for drill instructors and female trainees, as hundreds of complaints of sexual harassment are revealed in November. Drill instructors are now required to leave their doors open if a female is inside, and women must travel in pairs.

After thousands of veterans complain of illnesses since the 1991 Persian Gulf War, the Pentagon warns they may have been exposed to chemical weapons. The Pentagon reveals that up to two tons of sarin nerve gas may have been released.

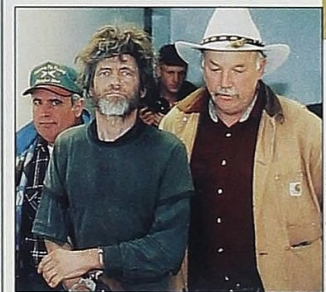
Six-year-old beauty pageant queen JonBenet Ramsey is found murdered in the basement of her parents' Colorado home the day after Christmas. Her death raises a nationwide awareness of controversial youth beauty pageants.

Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich (R-Georgia) is fined \$300,000 in a bi-partisan vote after the House Ethics Committee's year-long investigation into alleged financial improprieties.



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Seven-year-old pilot Jessica Dubroff is killed when her Cessna airplane crashes shortly after take-off in bad weather from the Cheyenne, Wyoming airport. Her flying instructor and her father, the plane's two passengers, are also killed in the April 1996 crash.



Danek Pruitt, Gamma Liaison

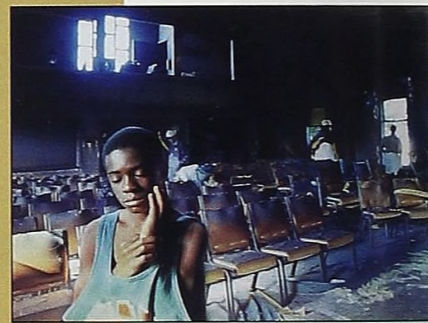
Theodore Kaczynski, alleged to be the "Unabomber," who killed 3 people and wounded more than 20 others with mail bombs since 1978, is arrested in Montana in April 1996. Information provided by Kaczynski's brother leads to the arrest.



Robert Allison, Contact Press Images

Binti Jua, a gorilla at Chicago's Brookfield Zoo, becomes a hero when she rescues a 3-year-old boy knocked unconscious after falling 18 feet into the ape enclosure. The boy suffers brain contusions but soon recovers.

Arson against African-American churches, mostly in the South, is a serious problem in 1996, as hundreds of churches are burned down. Residents of Portland, Oregon survey the damage inside a church after a June fire.



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One of the longest armed stand-offs in U.S. history occurs outside Jordan, Montana between the FBI and members of an anti-government group calling itself the Freemen. The 81-day siege ends peacefully in June.

On August 11, a boater rescues 10-year-old Taylor Touchstone from the snake- and alligator-infested waters of a Florida swamp 14 miles away from where he disappeared August 7. Although exhausted and badly scratched, the autistic boy recovers fully.



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William Jefferson Clinton defeats Republican Bob Dole and Independent H. Ross Perot to become the 42nd president of the U.S. and the last president of the 20th century. Clinton is the first Democrat since Franklin Roosevelt to be reelected to a second term.



Jonathan Alcorn, Zuma

A civil jury finds former football star O.J. Simpson liable for the June 12, 1994 wrongful deaths of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman. In a unanimous verdict, the jury awards \$8.5 million in compensatory damages to Goldman's parents. The Brown and Goldman families are each awarded \$12.5 million in punitive damages.



AP/Wide World

Days of abnormally heavy rains in November undermine the roadbed of Oregon's Interstate 5, creating a 40-foot-deep sinkhole, into which two semitrailer trucks tumble.



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The Citadel, South Carolina's traditionally all-male military academy, admits four women, including Petra Loventinska (left) and Jeanie Montavlos. Montavlos and another female cadet later drop out, citing harassment and "sadistic" hazing.



AP/Wide World

Topsail Beach, a town on an island off the coast of North Carolina, is one of many Eastern locations hit hard by Hurricane Bertha in July. Six powerful hurricanes, all with winds over 110 miles per hour, made 1996 a near-record year doing \$3.5 billion in damage in the U.S.

Nationwide, forest fires blacken more than twice the acreage lost to fires in an average year. California, Montana and Oregon are particularly hard hit.



Kurt Miller, The Press-Enterprise

All 110 people aboard a ValuJet DC-9 are killed in May 1996 when a fire breaks out in the cargo hold. The plane, en route from Miami to Atlanta, crashes and disappears almost completely into the Florida Everglades, making it difficult for workers to retrieve wreckage.



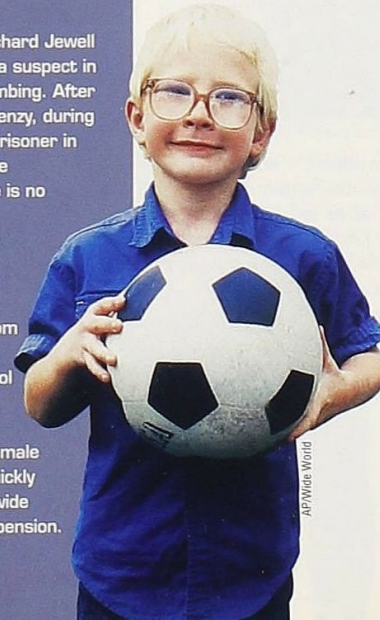
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Security guard Richard Jewell is investigated as a suspect in the July Olympic Park bombing. After three months of media frenzy, during which Jewell is a virtual prisoner in his home, the U.S. Justice Department admits there is no evidence against him.



Schwarz, Gamma Liaison

Six-year-old first-grader Johnathan Prevette is suspended from his Lexington, North Carolina elementary school for violating the city schools' sexual conduct guidelines—he kissed a female classmate. Prevette is quickly reinstated after a nationwide controversy over the suspension.



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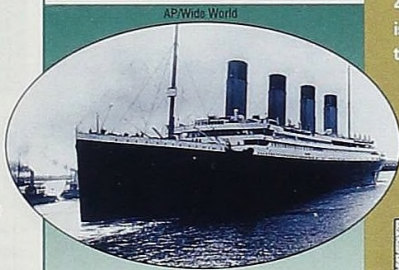
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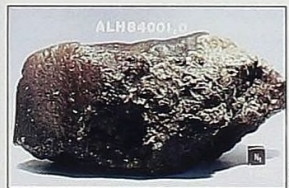
A 9,300-year-old skeleton discovered in July near Richland, Washington is the oldest and most intact set of human bones ever discovered in North America. Research is suspended, however, as the tribes from the Native American grounds where it is found claim the skeleton as an ancestor and want the bones buried.

Videogame giant Nintendo releases its long-awaited Nintendo 64, a new hardware system that draws players into the game and moves three times faster than any existing system.



Trauma Seal, a new medical adhesive that is applied like a lip-balm stick, is in clinical trials at 10 hospitals and health care institutions nationwide. The biodegradable adhesive could eliminate stitches and return visits.

An expedition to raise the *Titanic*, the legendary "unsinkable" ocean liner that sank on its maiden voyage in 1912, from its North Atlantic grave more than two miles deep, ends in failure in August due to rough seas.



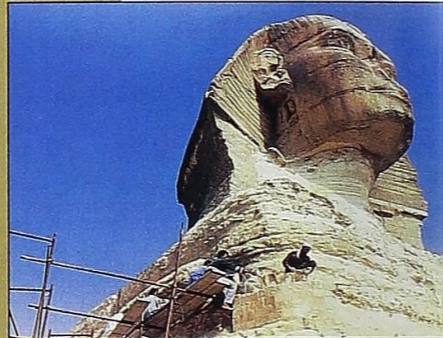
In August, scientists discover evidence of bacteria-like life on a meteorite found in 1984 and believed to be part of the crust of Mars 4.5 billion years ago. It is the first possible proof that life is not unique to Earth.

A new category of animal is discovered in the form of bacteria that live on the lips of lobsters. *Symbion pandora*, which lives on food scraps from lobster lips, is called "the zoological highlight of the decade."



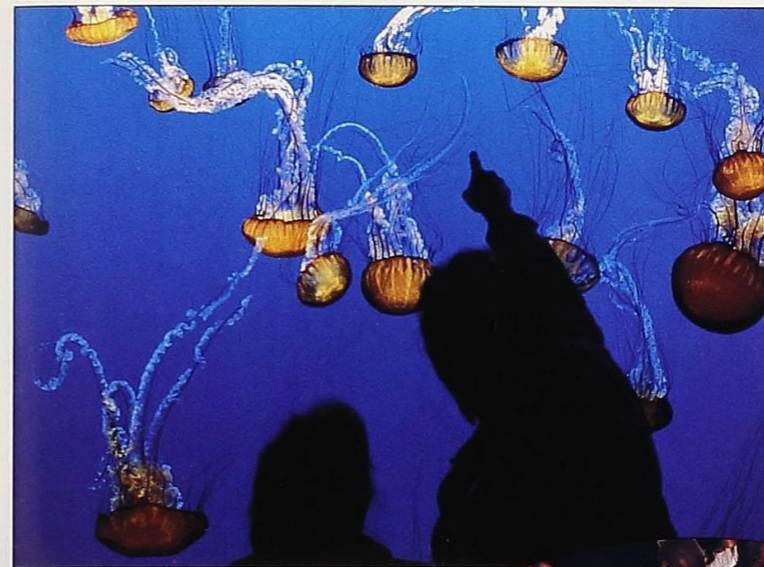
American astronaut Shannon Lucid (right) spends 188 days in space, breaking American space endurance records after joining the crew of the Russian space station *Mir*.

Egyptians begin work to preserve the Great Sphinx from the ravages of wind, pollution and time. The 4,500-year-old statue is located in Giza near the giant pyramids.

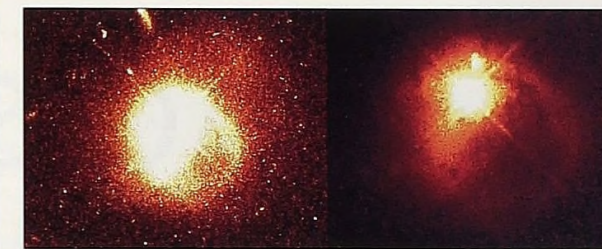


The Mars Surveyor Trolley, named *Sojourner*, is carried on-board *Mars Pathfinder*, an unmanned spacecraft launched in December. *Sojourner*, a free-roving probe the size of a child's wagon, will photograph the Martian surface and determine the composition of rocks on Mars.

Satellite dishes become one of the year's hottest-selling electronic consumer products. Owners find the savings of not paying for cable services cover the cost within a few months.



© 1996 Monterey Bay Aquarium, Photography by Randy Wilder



California's Monterey Bay Aquarium opens a new wing in March 1996. The million-gallon indoor ocean showcases the marine life of the outer reaches of Monterey Bay, 5 to 60 miles offshore.

The Hubble Space Telescope captures new images of quasars, the universe's most powerful and baffling phenomena. Previously thought only to exist in colliding galaxies, new pictures indicate quasars can also exist in undisturbed galaxies—causing astronomers to revisit their theories.



© Spa Bar

Steam and ash from Iceland's *Loki* volcano blast 33,000 feet in the air on October 9. Molten rock from the volcano's 5-mile-wide fissure melts through more than 2,000 feet of glacial ice, threatening the island with widespread flooding.



AP/Wide World

An "oxygen bar" in Toronto, Canada allows patrons to pay \$16 to spend 20 minutes breathing pure oxygen. The owners of the O₂ Spa Bar claim the treatment is a healthy way to reinvigorate the body and offer fruit "flavors" to liven up the experience.

The Smithsonian Institution celebrates the 150th anniversary of its founding with a nationwide tour of prize exhibits, including this stovepipe hat worn by Abraham Lincoln.



Smithsonian Institution

Paleoanthropologist Mary Leakey, shown with husband Louis Leakey in a 1959 photograph, dies in December. Discoveries by the Leakeys throughout their careers are some of the most important in paleoanthropological history. Her greatest discovery was a trail of 3.7-million-year-old footprints, which proved that hominids walked upright far earlier than previously believed.



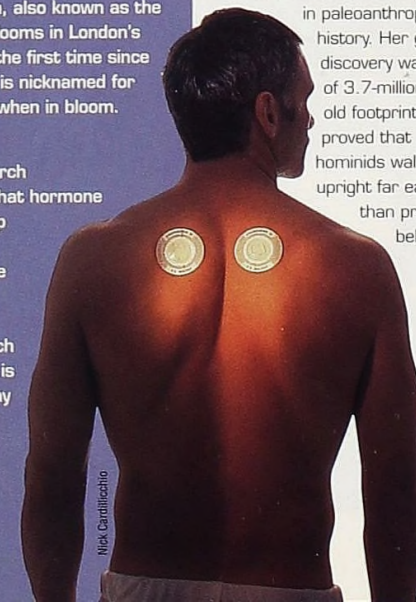
UPI/Corbis-Bettmann

The world's largest flower, the Titan Arum, also known as the "corpse flower," blooms in London's Kew Gardens for the first time since 1963. The flower is nicknamed for its strong stench when in bloom.



AP/Wide World

New research suggests that hormone therapies can keep middle-aged men stronger and more youthful. A testosterone-releasing skin patch called Androderm is prescribed by many doctors to supplement the natural hormone.



Nick Caraballo/Chio

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Former NFL commissioner Pete Rozelle dies on December 6. Rozelle is credited with transforming professional football into America's top spectator sport, and with inventing the Super Bowl.

Basketball megastar Michael Jordan launches his own cologne: Michael Jordan Cologne. Demand for the fragrance is so high that manufacturer Bijan Fragrances limits sales to 12 bottles per customer.

The ever-present Cindy Crawford releases a book on applying make-up. *Basic Face* enjoys a long run on the best-seller lists.

The National Women's Hall of Fame opens in Seneca Falls, New York, inducting 11 women, including author Louisa May Alcott, and Oveta Culp Hobby, the nation's first female colonel.

Archbishop of Chicago, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin dies of pancreatic cancer in November. Bernardin was known for being a reconciler in churches torn between tradition and modern culture, as well as for speaking out against physician-assisted suicide.



Mother Teresa, 1979 Nobel Peace Prize winner, suffers a heart attack in late December. It is the 86-year-old Roman Catholic nun's fourth serious illness in 1996.



In April 1996, singer Michael Jackson is seen escorting a woman later identified as Debbie Rowe, an employee of Jackson's plastic surgeon. In November, Jackson announces that he and Rowe are married and that she is carrying his child.



Steve Granitz / Retna



AP/Wide World

"The Late Show" host David Letterman (right), who had been hinting at retirement, re-signs his contract with CBS, keeping him at "The Late Show" through 2002.

Sarah Ferguson, Duchess of York, and Prince Andrew, Duke of York and son of Great Britain's Queen Elizabeth II, are divorced in May 1996. "Fergie" subsequently goes public with TV appearances and an autobiography.



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Regis Philbin appears with host Rosie O'Donnell on ABC's "The Rosie O'Donnell Show." The talk show, which premieres in 1996, gains quick popularity and respect.

Music megastar Madonna gives birth to Lourdes Maria Ciccone Leon, a 6-pound, 9-ounce girl, on October 14. Madonna's big year continues when she wins a Golden Globe for her role in Andrew Lloyd Webber's on-screen rendition of the musical *Evita*.

In October, TV talk-show host Jenny Jones testifies during the Michigan murder trial of Jonathan Schmitz. Schmitz was accused of killing Scott Amedure, who revealed romantic feelings for Schmitz during a March 1995 taping of a "Jenny Jones Show."



AP/Wide World



Stephane Cardinale / Sygma

In a small, secret ceremony on an island off the coast of Georgia, John F. Kennedy Jr. marries Carolyn Bessette, a Calvin Klein publicist, in September. Kennedy, who dated Bessette for two years, had long been considered one of the world's most eligible bachelors.



John F. Kennedy Library

New York Yankees fan Jeffrey Maier interferes with a fly ball during game one of the American League Championship Series on October 9. The hit is ruled a home run, tying the game 4 to 4 in the eighth inning and making Maier New York's hero for a day.



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Legendary heavyweight boxer Muhammad Ali is the final athlete to bear the Olympic torch, lighting the Olympic flame at the opening of the Centennial Summer Olympics in Atlanta on July 19.



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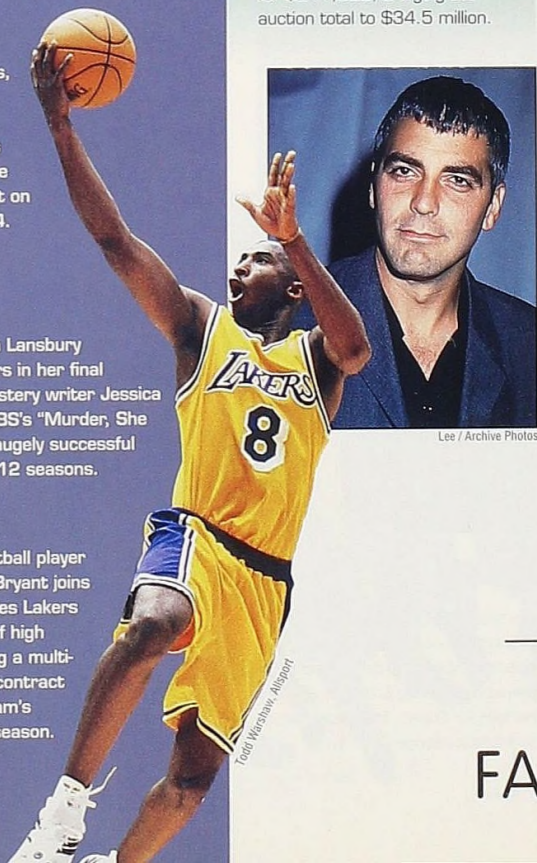
Miss Kansas, Tara Dawn Holland, is crowned Miss America at the 1996 pageant on September 14.



Universal City from Shooting Star

Angela Lansbury appears in her final season as mystery writer Jessica Fletcher on CBS's "Murder, She Wrote." The hugely successful show ran for 12 seasons.

Basketball player Kobe Bryant joins the Los Angeles Lakers straight out of high school, signing a multi-million dollar contract during the team's 1996-1997 season.



Teddy Walsh / Allsport

More than 4,000 items owned by former First Lady Jacquelyn Kennedy Onassis and President John F. Kennedy are auctioned off in April 1996, including a necklace of simulated pearls shown in this 1962 photograph. The fake pearls, valued at \$500 to \$700, sell for \$211,500, bringing the auction total to \$34.5 million.

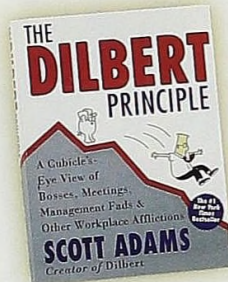


Veteran comedian George Burns dies in March 1996, just weeks after reaching the age of 100. The legendary Burns won an Oscar, an Emmy and a Grammy Award in an illustrious career dating back to vaudeville.

As a stand against the invasion of his privacy, George Clooney, star of NBC's "ER," boycotts Paramount's "Entertainment Tonight" after its sister show "Hard Copy" runs unauthorized footage of the actor's private life.

ENTERTAINMENT

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Tom Cruise stars in *Jerry Maguire*, a romantic comedy about a sports agent who decides to change his shallow ways, and spends the rest of the movie trying to regain his success. It is a breakthrough role for Cruise, who is normally depicted as a cocky winner.

To honor the 20th anniversary of its release, producer George Lucas issues a "remade" *Star Wars*, with new scenes, computerized special effects and souped-up animation. Lucas' grand plan calls for a nine-film cycle, including prequels.

English actor/director Kenneth Branagh plays Hamlet in his star-studded remake of Shakespeare's classic. Despite running four hours, the movie is a critical and box-office success.

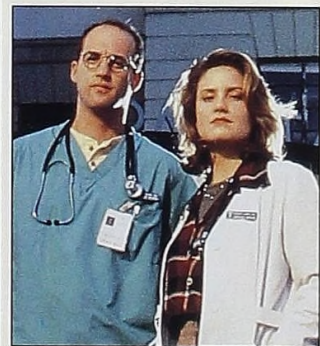
NBC's Thursday night drama "ER" features television's first HIV-positive prominent character. Jeannie Boulet, a physician's assistant played by Gloria Reuben, is relatively open about her condition and helps confront the stigma of AIDS.

Scott Adams' *Dilbert*, the comic strip about office politics, captures the nation's imagination. In book form, *The Dilbert Principle* becomes a national best-seller.

20th Century Fox from Shooting Star



Actors Winona Ryder and Daniel Day-Lewis star in *The Crucible*, which opens in December. The screen adaptation of Arthur Miller's famous play about the Salem witch trials is written by Arthur Miller himself.



Sherry Stringfield, Dr. Susan Lewis on NBC's "ER," leaves the show at the peak of her character's popularity. In her final episode, when Dr. Mark Greene, played by Anthony Edwards, declares his love for Susan, the show gamers its highest ratings ever.



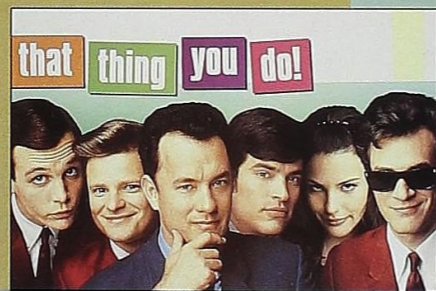
Paramount Pictures from Kobal

Patrick Stewart (left) and Brent Spiner (right) star in *Star Trek: First Contact*, a movie featuring characters from the TV show "Star Trek: The Next Generation."

Drew Carey (left) finds TV stardom during the second season of ABC's "The Drew Carey Show," a zany sit-com about working-class characters in Cleveland, Ohio.



Warner Bros. TV from Shooting Star



20th Century Fox from Shooting Star

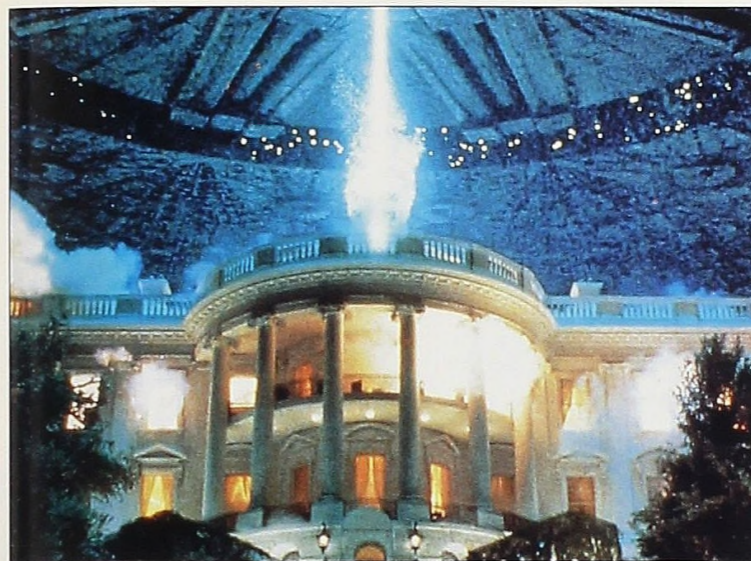
Academy Award-winning actor Tom Hanks' first effort at directing receives critical praise when *That Thing You Do!*, a movie about the meteoric rise and fall of a 1960s rock band, opens in October.

Model Brooke Shields (center) moves to television in NBC's "Suddenly Susan," a sit-com premiering in September. Shields plays a columnist opposite magazine editor Judd Nelson (far right).

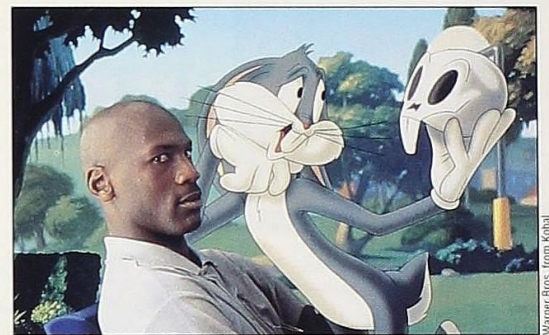


NBC from Shooting Star

Author Michael Crichton publishes *The Lost World*, a sequel to *Jurassic Park*, the colossal novel and movie. The new book promises to generate just as much hype, with a movie already in the works.



20th Century Fox from Shooting Star



Warner Bros. from Kobal

Explosive special effects rivet audiences to their seats as they watch *Independence Day*, one of summer's blockbuster movies.

Bugs Bunny and Chicago Bulls basketball star Michael Jordan share top billing in *Space Jam*, a partially animated feature film that opens in late November.



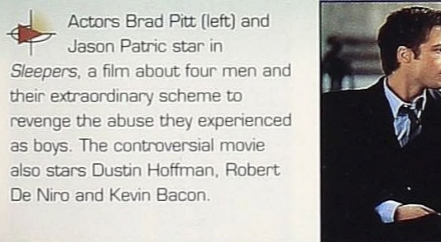
20th Century Fox from Shooting Star

In September, Leonardo DiCaprio and Claire Danes star as the classic star-crossed lovers in the film *Romeo and Juliet*.

Tom Cruise stars in *Mission: Impossible*, based on the 1960s and '70s television series of the same name. Despite critical put-downs, the movie is a huge box-office hit.

John Lithgow (front right) earns both an Emmy and a Golden Globe Award for Best Actor in a Comedy Series in NBC's "3rd Rock From the Sun," a sit-com about a family of aliens living in contemporary America.

America's favorite sit-com father, Bill Cosby, enjoys the success of his new CBS show, "Cosby." In January 1997, however, tragedy strikes as Cosby's son Ennis is killed in Los Angeles in an apparent random robbery.



Warner Bros. from Kobal

Actors Brad Pitt (left) and Jason Patric star in *Sleepers*, a film about four men and their extraordinary scheme to revenge the abuse they experienced as boys. The controversial movie also stars Dustin Hoffman, Robert De Niro and Kevin Bacon.



Warner Bros. from Kobal

Michael J. Fox returns to television in September as a deputy mayor in ABC's "Spin City," a sit-com about the inner workings of New York's City Hall.



CBS from Shooting Star



From Shooting Star

Stars Bill Paxton and Helen Hunt flee a tornado of awesome proportions in *Twister*, another summer blockbuster, which tells the story of storm chasers highly devoted to studying the inner workings of tornadoes.

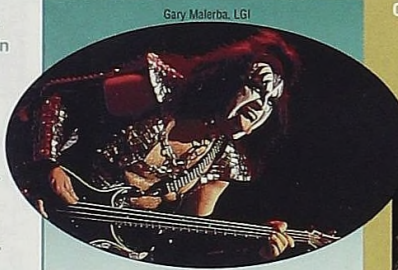


Dream Works SKG from Shooting Star

MUSIC

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Folk and blues artist Tracy Chapman returns to the scene in 1996 with the single "Give Me One Reason." Chapman receives five Grammy nominations in January 1997.



Gary Malerba, LGI

The artist formerly known as Prince releases *Emancipation*, a three-hour, three-CD album, in honor of his release from his Warner Bros. recording contract.

Guitarist Slash of Guns N' Roses forms his own band. His new group, *Slash's Blues Ball*, is a six-man blues band grounded in the blues-based hard rock of the 1970s.

Kiss bass guitarist Gene Simmons strikes a familiar pose as the band kicks off a reunion tour with a June 28 concert in Detroit. The tour marks the first time the original members of the band perform together since 1979.



Steve Jennings, LGI

Rocker Sheryl Crow joins the ranks of musicians who have had their albums banned from Wal-Mart. The retail giant objects to a lyric alleging that kids kill each other with guns they obtained from the store.



Tim Mosenfelder, LGI

Canadian pop artist Celine Dion tops the charts in 1996 with the album *Falling Into You*, which sells more than 16 million copies worldwide.

After 10 years of separation, members of the band Van Halen are reunited with their former lead singer, David Lee Roth (right), at the MTV Video Music Awards in September. Roth later claims he thought he was rejoining the band, who chose a different lead singer.



Reuters/Archive Photos



The Beatles' *Anthology 3*, the third and final album from the reunited remaining members of the band, is released in November. Following the example of their two previous anthologies, *Anthology 3* sells in record numbers.



Kipa, LGI

Alternative-rock band Nirvana releases a new album, *From the Muddy Banks of the Wishkah*, in October. The album contains 17 live tracks recorded between 1989 and the 1994 suicide of singer Kurt Cobain (right).



Jane Huntington, LGI

Bush, a British rock group with an American "grunge" sound, tours the U.S. to promote their album *Sixteen Stone*. They release another chart-topping album, *Razorblade Suitcase*, in the winter.



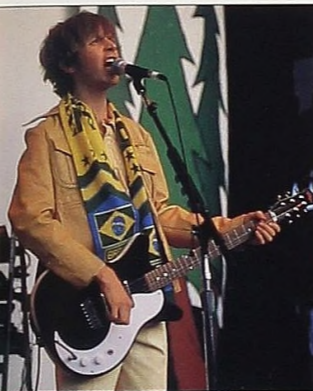
Steve Jennings, LGI

Heavy metal band Metallica is the headlining act for the summer concert Lollapalooza, traditionally an alternative-rock show. Metallica remains high-profile, winning an MTV award for the year's Best Hard Rock Video in September.



James L. Lance, LGI

British pop superstars Liam (left) and Noel Gallagher cancel the remainder of a U.S. concert tour in September amid rumors that their band, Oasis, is breaking up. Denying the reports, the brothers announce they will release a new album in the summer of 1997.



Tim Mosenfelder, LGI



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Alanis Morissette's *Jagged Little Pill* reigns the charts, becoming the all-time top-selling album by a female artist. Morissette also dominates the 1996 Grammys by winning four awards, including Best Album.

The hit single "Where It's At" kicks off the new Beck album *Odelay*, which is released to popular and critical acclaim. *Spin* magazine awards Beck Artist of the Year.



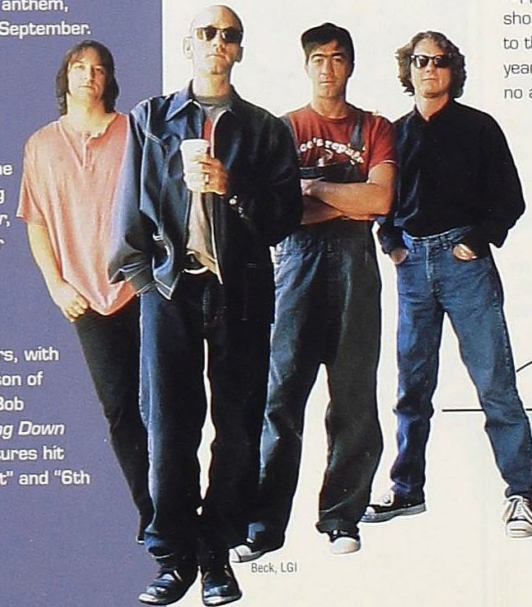
Mike Hashimoto/LGI from LGI



Neal Preston, RTRX

Death Row Records co-founder Dr. Dre, often dubbed the "godfather of 'gangsta' rap," begins distancing himself from hard-core rap. "Been There, Done That," his break-away anthem, premieres on MTV in September.

R.E.M.'s 12th album, *New Adventures in Hi-Fi*, the group's first recording since 1994's *Monster*, is released by Warner Bros. in September.



Beck, LGI

The Wallflowers, with Jakob Dylan, son of legendary folk artist Bob Dylan, release *Bringing Down the Horse*, which features hit singles "One Headlight" and "6th Avenue Heartache."

No Doubt, fronted by lead singer Gwen Stefani, releases *Tragic Kingdom*, which includes such chart-toppers as "Just a Girl," "Spiderwebs," and "Don't Speak."



Abiele Starr, LGI

Counting Crows' second album, *Recovering the Satellites*, is released in October. The long awaited follow-up to 1993's *August and Everything After* debuts at number one on the charts.

George Strait is honored by the Country Music Association in October with three major awards—Single of the Year for "Check Yes or No," Album of the Year for *Clear Blue Sky*, and Male Vocalist of the Year.



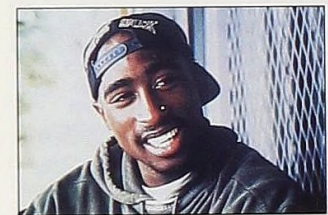
Lisa Leane, LGI

Toni Braxton's second album, *Secrets*, is released in summer 1996. Braxton wins R&B Single of the Year for "Let It Flow" at the *Billboard* Music Awards in the fall.



Abiele Starr, LGI

Fourteen-year-old singing sensation LeAnn Rimes is nominated for the Country Music Association's Horizon Award after the breakthrough success of her single "Blue." The popular new star is often compared to country music legend Patsy Cline.



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The music world is stunned in September by the death of rapper Tupac Shakur, killed in a drive-by shooting in Las Vegas. Speculations as to the killer's motive abound, but the year ends with no answers and no arrests.

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Tennis pro Pete Sampras wins the eighth grand-slam title of his career at the U.S. Open in September. Steffi Graf wins the U.S. Open Women's title, beating Monica Seles.

Pro boxer Mike Tyson loses his Heavyweight Champion of the World title to Evander Holyfield in a November match. Holyfield, a former two-time world champion, reclaims his title in the surprise win.

Chicago Bulls star Dennis Rodman furthers his controversial reputation by kicking a photographer in the groin during a game against the Minnesota Timberwolves in January 1997. Rodman is suspended for up to 11 games without pay, costing him more than \$1 million, in addition to a \$25,000 fine to the NBA, as well as a reported \$200,000 settlement with the photographer.

Baltimore Orioles second baseman Roberto Alomar is suspended for five games, deferred to the 1997 season, when he spits on an umpire during a heated argument over a questionable call in the National League play-offs. Controversy ensues over the leniency of the punishment.



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Team USA wins the World Cup of Hockey, beating Canada 5-2 in the final. Eight teams from Canada, Europe and the U.S. participate in the World Cup, which replaced the Canada Cup.

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Twenty-year-old golfing phenom Eldrick "Tiger" Woods turns pro in August, making the transition from exceptional amateur golfer to well-endorsed professional, including a deal with Nike worth an estimated \$40 million.



Craig Jones, Allsport



Al Bello, Allsport

In June, the Colorado Avalanche beat the Florida Panthers in the NHL Stanley Cup play-offs. The final game in the series remains scoreless until 1:05 a.m., when the Avalanche finally score the winning goal in the third overtime period.



Al Bello, Allsport



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Paul Molitor of the Minnesota Twins becomes the 21st player in major league history to reach 3,000 career hits. The milestone is reached in September, when Molitor triples against Kansas City Royals rookie pitcher Jose Rosado.

Race car driver Terry Labonte wins NASCAR's Winston Cup championship with a total of 4,657 points after finishing fifth in the final race, the Napa 500, at the Atlanta Motor Speedway.

Led by quarterback Brett Favre, the Green Bay Packers beat the New England Patriots 35-21 in Super Bowl XXXI at the Louisiana Superdome. It is the Packers' first Super Bowl since 1968.



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The New York Yankees win the World Series, beating the Atlanta Braves in a four-game sweep, after losing the first two games. It is the first series title for the Yankees since 1978.



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The U.S. women's gymnastics team takes the gold at the Summer Olympics. Kerri Strug, second from right, is the heroine of the competition, landing her final vault despite a dislocated left ankle.

U.S. swimmer Amy Van Dyken wins the women's 100-meter butterfly event at the Olympic Games with a time of 59.13 seconds. Van Dyken wins a total of four golds.



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The Chicago Bulls win their fourth NBA championship in six years as they defeat the Seattle SuperSonics in game six of the NBA finals on June 16.



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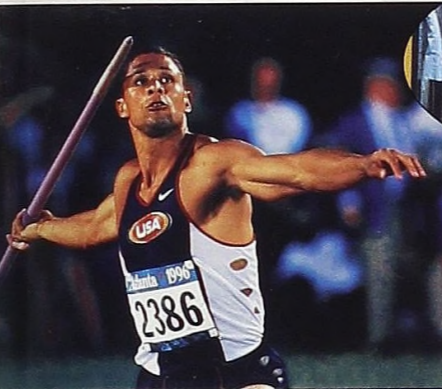
U.S. Olympian Dan O'Brien racks up 8,824 points to take the gold medal in the decathlon, a grueling, 10-event track-and-field competition.

April 1996 marks the 100th running of the Boston Marathon. More than 38,000 contenders participate.



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Jean Driscoll (front right) of the U.S. takes the silver in the women's 800-meter wheelchair race, a demonstration sport, at the Summer Olympics. Driscoll, seven-time winner of the Boston Marathon, retires at the end of 1996, after setting several world records during her career.

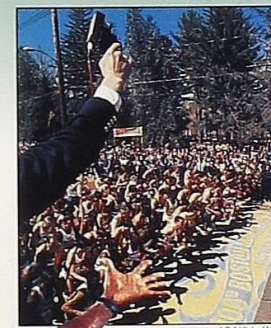


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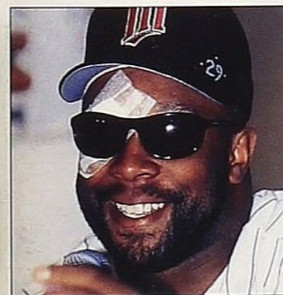
Olympic swimmer Tom Dolan captures another gold for the U.S. as he wins the 400-meter individual medley on July 21. Dolan wins with a time of 4:14.90.



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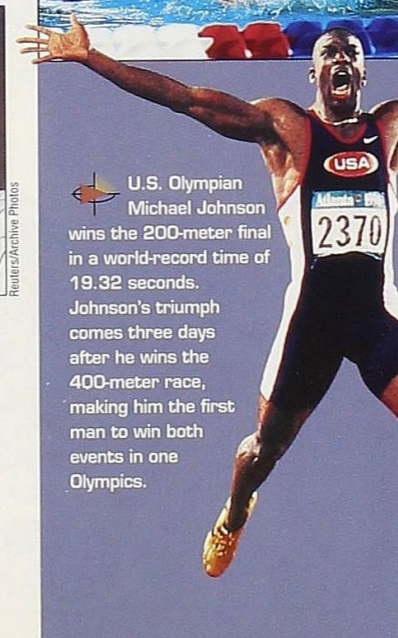


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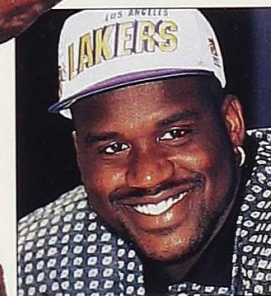
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Minnesota Twins star centerfielder Kirby Puckett announces his retirement from baseball in July. A serious eye ailment forces Puckett to give up the game, but he manages to maintain his upbeat attitude at press conferences and interviews.



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U.S. Olympian Michael Johnson wins the 200-meter final in a world-record time of 19.32 seconds. Johnson's triumph comes three days after he wins the 400-meter race, making him the first man to win both events in one Olympics.



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Basketball star Shaquille O'Neal jumps from the Orlando Magic to the Los Angeles Lakers in July. The deal is the richest in NBA history, paying O'Neal \$120 million over 7 years.

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Helping consumers maintain privacy, marketers promote home AIDS tests. Consumers draw their own blood and then send it away to be tested confidentially.

Advancing technology means more options on telephones, including Caller ID, which becomes more common than ever in 1996. The display unit allows people to see the name and number of their caller before even answering the phone.

Authors Ellen Fein and Sherrie Schneider release *The Rules*, a controversial manual teaching women strategies for getting a man to propose marriage. While the book draws criticism from both sexes, it is a best-seller.

The U.S. Postal Service issues stamps commemorating Hanukkah, the first non-Christian religious holiday ever featured on a stamp.

Casual Fridays become more and more widespread in American work culture. Businesses allow employees who normally dress in professional clothing at work to wear more comfortable, casual clothing on Fridays.



A "Sesame Street" stuffed toy causes panic among holiday shoppers. Tickle Me Elmo sells out in stores nationwide, and has shoppers fighting over scarce inventory and paying hundreds of times the toy's value.

My Twinn Doll Company



The My Twinn Doll Company offers individually crafted dolls that replicate, from a photo, the eye color, hair and facial features of a living girl. Each doll comes with two matching outfits, one for the doll and one for the owner.



Nail polish colors get darker and funkier. Deep browns and blues are popular forms of expression and style.



Monica Almeida, NYT Pictures

The ongoing dance craze is the "Macarena," a Latin line dance. People of all ages participate in the dance, including Olympians, delegates and workers of the Democratic National Convention (above) and the New York Yankees grounds crew.



The minimum wage is raised to \$4.75 in October, and will increase again to \$5.15, effective September 1, 1997.



The beverage industry introduces a new concept—bottled water with caffeine! One bottle of the uncarbonated water contains as much caffeine as one cup of coffee.

Disneys 101

Dalmatians inspires an avalanche of promotional merchandise, filling stores with spotted toys, backpacks, games and other odds and ends.



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