



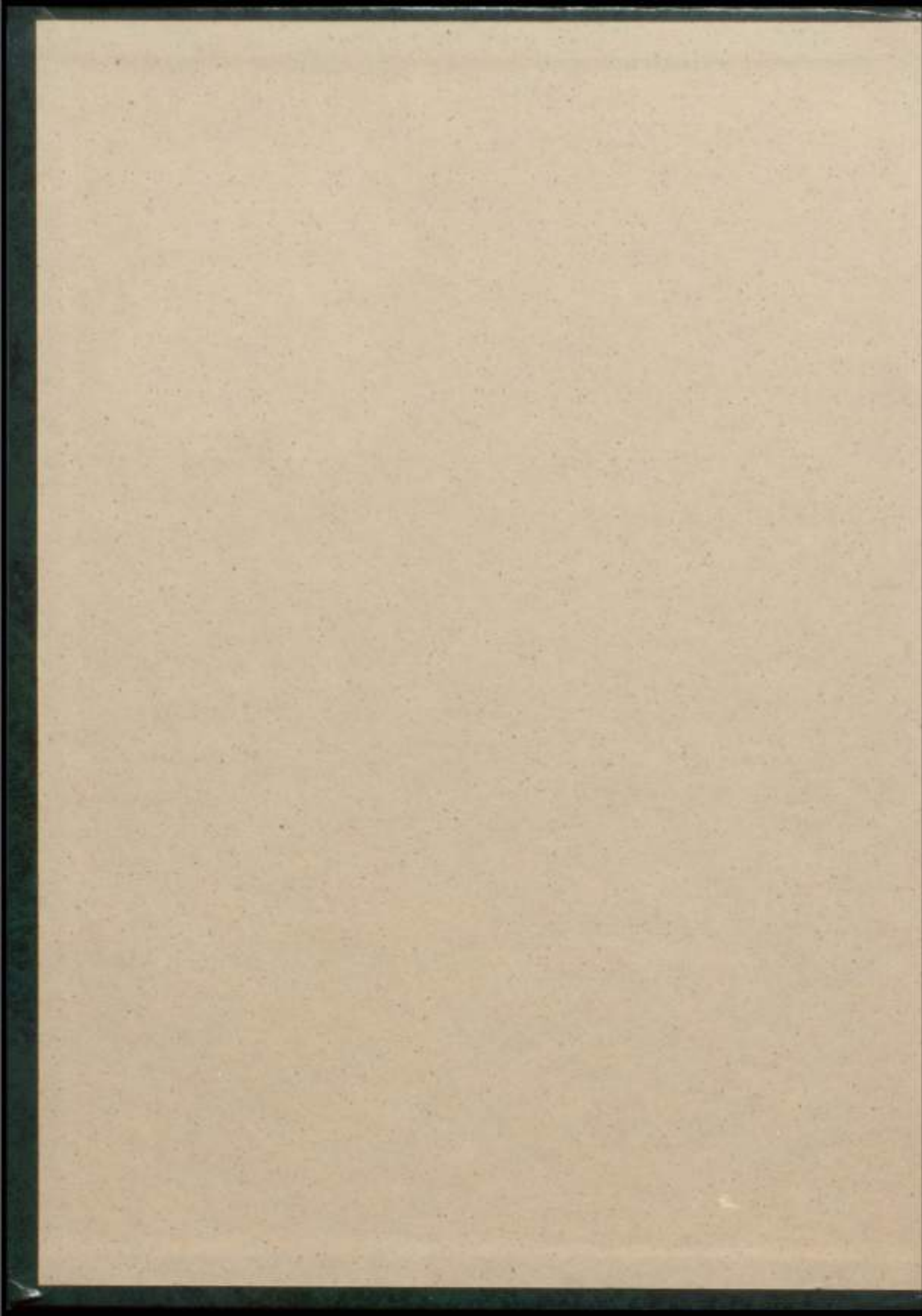
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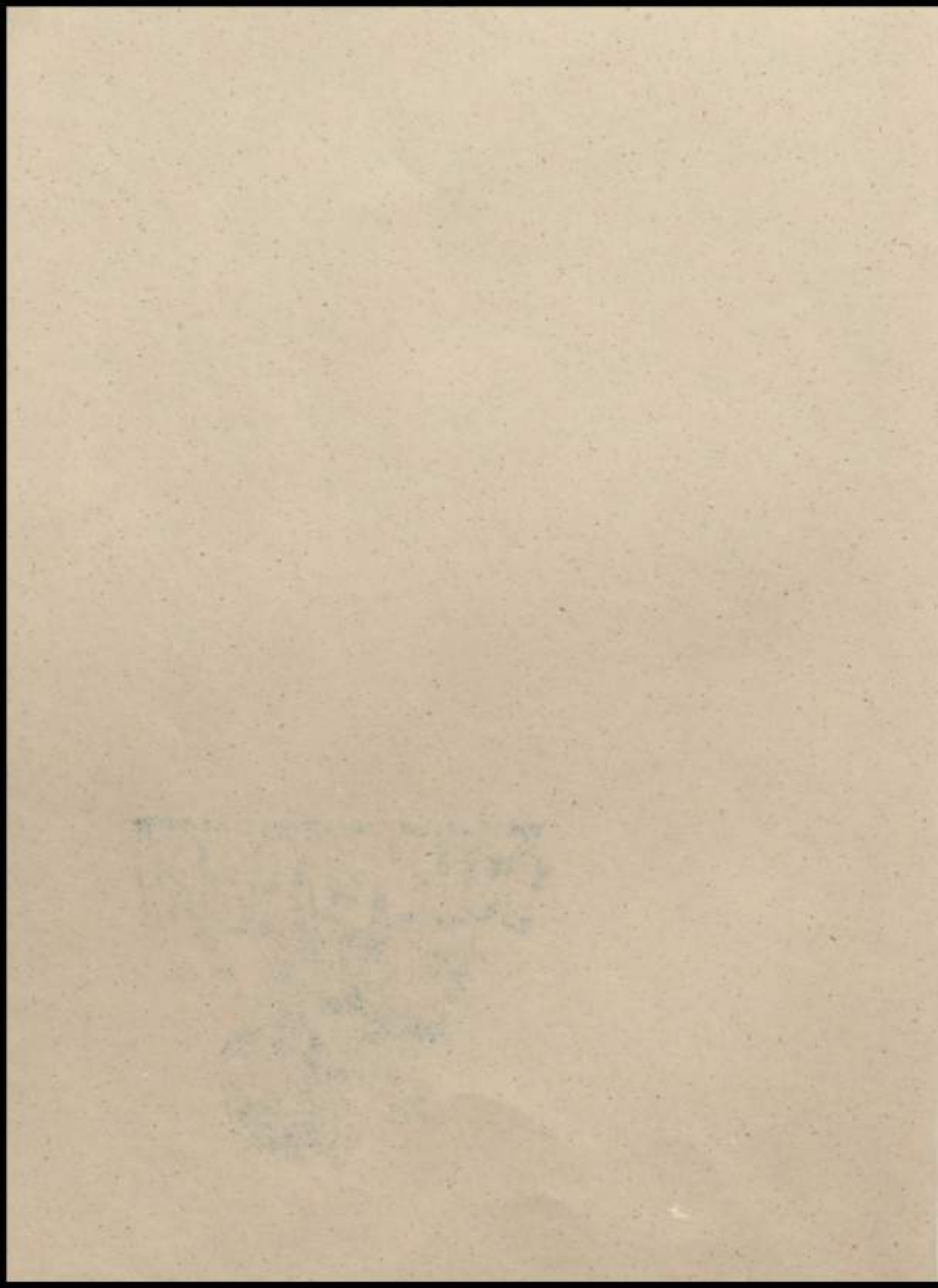
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# Stepping In The Right Direction



## MENDON SCHOOL CREST:

Open Book:  
Symbol for  
Education

The Cross:  
Symbol for the  
belief in God

Endless Chain:  
Symbol for the  
consistent effort  
to maintain  
excellence



Three Circles:  
Symbol for the  
high standard of  
sportsmanship

The Hands:  
Symbol for the  
Friendship that  
we extend to  
both friend  
and foe.

The Shield:  
Symbol of  
strength and  
courage

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1995-1996

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# A Step in the Right Direction



The Hornets Football team made everyone proud by winning regionals and then going on to take it all at the Silverdome.



At a retirement party in his honor Band Director Bill Crouch receives a gift from Doug Decker. Mrs. Crouch joined her husband to enjoy the celebration.



# Administration



Mr. Robert Duke  
Superintendent



Mrs. Sue Bombrys,  
Middle School Coordinator



Mr. Tom Wenzel,  
Athletic Director



Mrs. Miller  
Principal's Secretary



Mrs. Batten,  
Superintendent's  
Secretary

Mrs. Crespo,  
Financial Secretary



Dr. Ash,  
Guidance Counselor



Mrs. Lütz,  
Athletic Director's Secretary



Ms. Baker  
Guidance Counselor's Secretary





# School Board



Board Members: sitting; Pam Minarik - President, Robert Duke - Superintendent, standing; Larry Ettinger - Trustee, Dan Batten - Trustee, Roger Cupp - Secretary, David Motz - Trustee, Tom Crouch - Vice President, Tom Crouch - Treasurer, Denise VanDerSchaff - Elementary Principal



President Pam Minarik at Elem. School Groundbreaking



The School Board at Ground-breaking to officially begin renovations of the Elementary School.



# Our Educators



Mr. Armitage- Biology, Physical Science, M.S. Gym



Mr. Bombrys- H.S. Gym, Math



Mrs. Berger- Science, M.S. Gym



Mr. Crouch- Band



Mrs. Bombrys- Social Studies, Co-Principal



Mrs. Cooley- Art



Mr. Decker- Drafting, Wood Shop, World History



Mr. DeYoung- Chemistry, Physical Science





# Simply the Best...



Mrs. Harrison- Special Ed. Teacher



Mr. Lutz- English, Communication Arts



Ms. Griffith- English, Math



Mr. Sedam



Mrs. Molby- Special Ed. Coordinator



Mr. Johnson- M.S. English



Mrs. Loeffler- Librarian



Mrs. Newton- Aide for the Hearing Impaired



Mrs. Kloosterman- M.S. Special Ed. Teacher



Mrs. Kemp- Special Ed. Aide





# Better Than the Rest!



Mrs. Rousseau  
Computers



Mr. Staffen- M.S. Math



Mrs. Saylor- Business,  
Accounting



8 Mrs. Trenary- M.S.  
Science, Gym



Mr. Samson- Special Studies, History



Mr. Sedam- Gov't,  
History, Sociology



Mrs. Schultz-  
Library Aide



Mrs. Taylor- Life Skills,  
Parenting, Health



Stepping Out.....  
After a Long Journey



Mr.  
William  
Crouch

1967 1996



By far, one of the most influential people ever to hit the Mendon Community School System, is Mr. William Crouch. For the last thirty-one years, he has conducted many classes in the music department. Under his belt are Senior High Band, Junior High Band, Elementary Band, Elementary Music Class, and Choirs in both the High School and the Elementary School. Without this very talented man, the town of Mendon wouldn't have had Elementary Christmas and Spring programs, Band Concerts, performances by the pep band at Basketball games, or performances by the Marching Band at Football games and in Mendon's various parades. Mr. Crouch has given one-hundred and ten percent in everything he has done here in Mendon. Everyone will greatly miss one of the most influential men ever to come to the Mendon School System, Mr. William Crouch.



Mrs. Saylor

Another big influence in the Mendon School System has been the brilliance and integrity of Mrs. Bess Saylor. For the past eleven years she has been teaching classes at our school such as typing, word processing, general business, and accounting. Mrs. Saylor's reasons for retirement are because she lives more than an hour away from the school, (the driving is finally catching up to her), and she would like to spend more time with her grandchildren. She has been a very good role model for everyone, and the Mendon School system will greatly miss Mrs. Bess Saylor.

# National Honor Society

New Inductees:  
Stephanie Klein, Cory Baind-  
bridge, Zac McClain, Fer-  
nanda Carreno, Jeannine  
Sanderson, Melissa Reed,  
Amy Staples, Ginny Sedam.



# Awards Ceremony



# More Awards



Congratulations to all the Award Recipients







# CLASS OF 1996





# Mock Elections



Most Outgoing & Class Clowns:  
Ryan and Fernanda



Most Likely to Succeed, Top Students,  
Best Leaders, & Teacher's Pets:  
Jeremah and Kayleen



Most Popular:  
Rocky and Jason



Best Hair: Jason & Fernanda



Best Eyes: Kandi and Cory



Best Matched Couple:  
Wade and Kendra



Best Dressed: Jason, Jackie, and Brian



Most Athletic:  
Rocky and Kayleen



Most School Spirit:  
Nate and Hope



Greatest Laugh:  
Josh



Best Dancers:  
Gina, Rocky, and Fernanda



Most Musical & Most Attractive  
Jason and Kendra



Best Sense of Humor: Ryan and Kandi



Most Likely to Sleep Through Graduation:  
Josh and Sandy

# Seniors & 2nd Graders







*Rocky Alexander*



*Cory Balnbridge*



*Joshua Batten*



*Fernanda Carreno*



*Sandra Chamberlain*



*Ryan Collins*



*Kayleen Cook*



*Kendra Cook*



*Nathan Copenhafer*



*Rae DeHoff*



*Brian Etckhoff*



*Joergen Foss*



*Hope Furlow*  
Class of '96



*Heidi Hankinson*



*Wade Harrison*



*Susanne Carpenter*



*Gina Harter*



*Dennis Holm*



*Jason Jones*



*Stephanie Klein*



*Jason Klepper*



*Sara Martin*



*Joshua McClain*



*Kandi Munn*



*Jason Newman*



*Timothy Parsons*



*Brian Persinger*



*Tracy Phillips*



*Craig Riddle*



*Jeffrey Russell*



*Jeremiah  
Sacksteder*



*Robert Saddler*



*Jason Schabes*



*John Schabes*



*Brock Schrader*



*Jackalyn Schultz*



*Jennel Schultz*



*Brent Stephenson*



*James Straley*



*Duwane Tuttle*



*Aaron Wallace*  
Class of '96



*Justin Wenzel*



*Chad Wright*



*Jeremy Wyckoff*

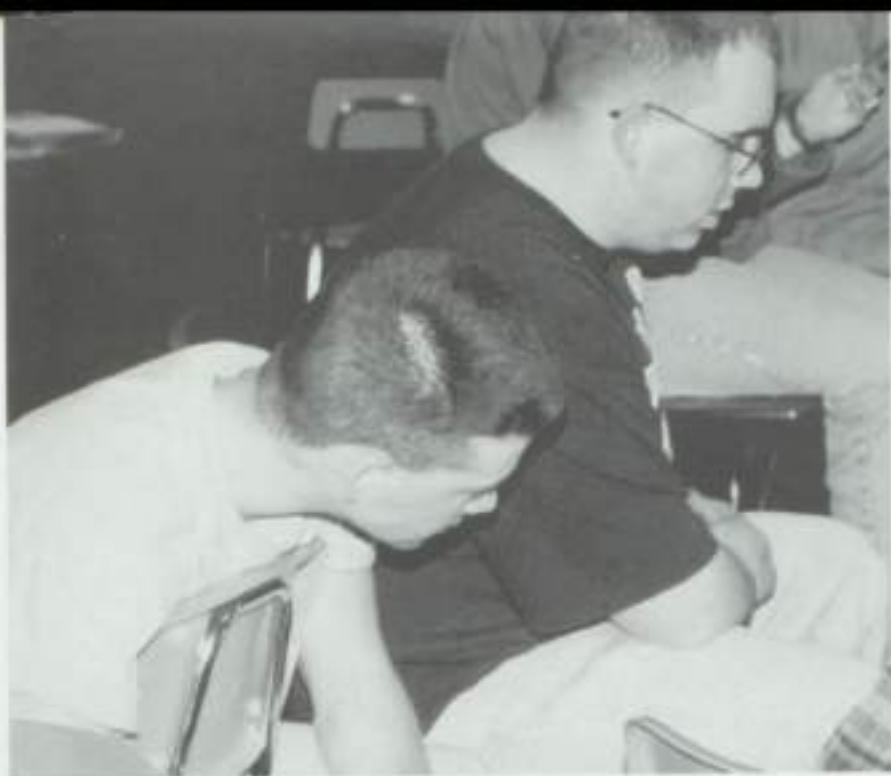






## Time Capsule Captures Memories

The Class of 1996 had a surprise when Mrs. Decker brought over the time capsule they had buried when they were in her third grade class. As Bub removed each treasure, it was greeted with "Oh, I remember..." There were many memories shared. Many seniors commented on how time had flown since they had buried the treasures.



(Left) Kendra, Kayleen, Gina and Brock enjoy the story Bub is sharing from from long ago. Who wrote that book?



# Juniors



Lindsay Batten  
Gina Biron  
Melissa Blair  
Jason Bradford



Nikki Clore  
Raina Cook  
Chuck Forman  
Melinda Fowler



Brenda Geark  
Jay Hassler  
Joe Hester  
Paul Hindle



Nikki Hodges  
Jackie Ison  
Derek Jones  
Brandi Kirk



Calvin Klinger  
Zac McClain  
Lee McClish  
Lynn Moyer



# Class of 1997



Seth Newberry  
Elizabeth Newton



Israel Noble  
Melissa Reed  
Jeannine  
Sanderson  
Jenny  
Schemenauer



Garnell Scott  
Ginny Sedam  
Amy Shaw  
Chris Speelman



Jason Spence  
Amy Staples  
Becky  
Swartzentruber  
Helen Varner



Justin Weinburg

# Day in the life of the Class of



# 1997







# Sophomores



Daniel Adams  
 Rusty Alexander  
 Crissy Allen  
 Shawn Allen  
 Rusty Allen



Emily Bainbridge  
 Kylee Baker  
 Casey Bellaire  
 Adam Bowen



Tammy Breece  
 Marisa Collins  
 Tracy Copenhafer  
 Kasey Culp



Dusty Cupp  
 Amanda DeHoff  
 Dusty Drewer  
 Jeff Evans  
 Jason Hankins



Melanie Harrison  
 Tony Hatfield  
 Brianna Hoover  
 Phil Hotrum  
 Tasha Jacobs







Jillayne  
Johnson  
Christy Kirk  
Michelle Klein  
Wes Klein  
Craig Kline  
Bill Martin



Brian Matthews  
Janice Moreland  
Tracy Motz  
Mary Moyer



Evan Nemeth  
Kelly Rhodes  
Natasha  
Runyon  
Alison Sabin



Katie Schrader  
David Schrock  
Janelle  
Schroeder  
Brandon  
Schuring  
Ryan Schwartz  
Jeb Shaw



Calahan  
Sheperd  
Chris Smith  
Christy  
Stephenson  
Amie Stevens  
Joe Taylor  
Ryan Thompson



# Sophomores



Heather Tulloch  
 Harris Tuttle  
 Elyssa Vernon  
 Kurt Wagner  
 Katie Weinberg



Jason Whitney  
 Tori Wilds  
 Missy Wise  
 Corina  
 Wurtsbaugh  
 Josh Zinsmaster







# Freshmen



*Wendy Alexander  
Abby Baker  
Sarah Batten  
Kristina Beal  
Sarah Chobot*



*Bryan Crummel  
Mike Dentler*



*Angela Dorey*



*Saving Lives,  
and Having  
Fun:  
The freshmen at  
the end of  
CPR training  
week.*

*Matt Eickhoff  
Art Fenwick  
Sally Fisher  
Becky Fritz  
Eileen Frost*



*Rusty Gardener  
Warren Geark  
Brian Harmon  
Ben Harrison  
Heather House*



# Class of 1999



*Nick Kemp  
Andy Kline  
Mike Lanting  
Shannon Lemon  
Curt Martin*



*Justin McClain  
Jenny McClish  
LeeAnn Millard  
Travis Munn  
Tiffany Nemire*



*Mikael O'Conner  
Justin Pangle  
Rachel Radtke  
Josh Raymer  
Lena Rice*



*Justin Roe  
Josh Sanford  
Mark Schabes  
Selina Schroeder  
Greg Scofield*



*Traci Shrzypek  
Julie Weinberg  
Tyler Wilds  
Lonnie Wood  
Mindy Zinsmaster*





*The  
Freshmen Rule!  
The Freshmen win all three of  
the major school competitions!*

The Winter Homecoming  
Wall Decorating Contest!

The Fall Homecoming  
Hall Decorating Contest!

The Christmas  
Lip Sync  
Contest!





# 8th Grade



David Alexander  
 Trisha Allen  
 James Ashbury  
 Paul Biron  
 Tennile Breece



Veronica  
 Bronstetter  
 Phillip Bruystens  
 Carrie Cardiff  
 Lissa Clore  
 Keith Cockrell



Azzie Cook  
 Billy Coomer  
 Jennifer Deneene  
 James Dodson  
 Jessica Dorey



Kimberly Drewer  
 Kevin Eickhoff  
 Justin Ettinger  
 Casey Fenwick  
 Diana Hanfland



Scott Hassler  
 Katie Jones  
 Morgan Jones  
 William Jorgenson  
 Dana Kline







# Class of 2000



Lincoln Klinger  
Jay Korf  
Kim Kuemple  
Adam Laroy  
Monique Lemon



Karen Liggett  
Bobby Long  
Nichole Mason  
Nicholas McClain  
Kimberly Monroe



Casey Moore  
Amanda Newman  
Kenneth Newton  
Karlain Oldenburg  
Rachel Patterson



Logan Paustain  
Kelli Ray  
Elizabeth Sacksteder  
Adam Salinas  
Nichole Schipper



Christel Schwartz  
Connie Shepard  
Danny Speelman  
Jessica Taylor  
Ryan Thompson



# 8th Grade



Casey Walker  
Kelly Walker  
Jason Wallace  
Sally Weinberg



Wes Weinberg  
Jordan Wenzel  
C.J. Wise



# Junior High Class Officers



7th Grade Class Officers

Front: Mandy Sedam, Brandi Skrzypek, Katrina Dubbeid, Angela Grant. Back: Chris Sheffie, Matt Mishler.



8th Grade Class Officers

Morgan Jones, Katie Jones, Adam Leftoy, Nick McClain, Casey Walker, Arzlie Cook.



7/8th Grade Track

Back: Kayla Thompson, Lissa Clore, Nicole Mason, Christel Schwartz. Liz Sacksteder. Front: Shannon Frost, Karren Liggot, Kelly Walker, Daria Kline, Angela Grant, Logan Paustian.





# 7th Grade



## The Class of 2001

Jared Batten  
 Krystal Batten  
 La'Deeca Breedlove  
 Delbert Burnau  
 Zachary Crouch



Ella Doan  
 Dustin Douglas  
 Katrina Dubbeld  
 Kim Dubbeld  
 Kristi Dubbeld



Ryan Ford  
 Shaniqua Ford  
 Shannon Frost  
 Rocky Gardner  
 Keith Garland



Luke Gentz  
 Amanda Grant  
 Angela Grant  
 Kevin Goodyke  
 Jessica A. King



Aaron Kuiper  
 Kathy Hankins  
 Aaron Hatfield  
 David Hilyard  
 Josh Himes





Andrew Huff  
Lowell Kimball  
Adam Laretz  
Lena Lemon  
Joey Mason



Robbie Matheson  
Kari McClish  
Corey Miller  
Matt Mishler  
Shan Nelson



Heather Pangle  
Dustin Paustian  
Jeremiah Price  
Chevron Reams  
Steve Rice



Patrick Robinson  
Ronric Russel  
Victoria Schipper  
Amanda Sedam  
Della Shaw



Chris Sheftic  
Sarah Speelman  
Tasha Shepherd  
Brandi Skrzypek  
Arthur Snyder



David Stump  
Kayla Thompson  
Jason Truckey  
Jeremy Vrobel

John Webster





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# Girls Varsity Basketball

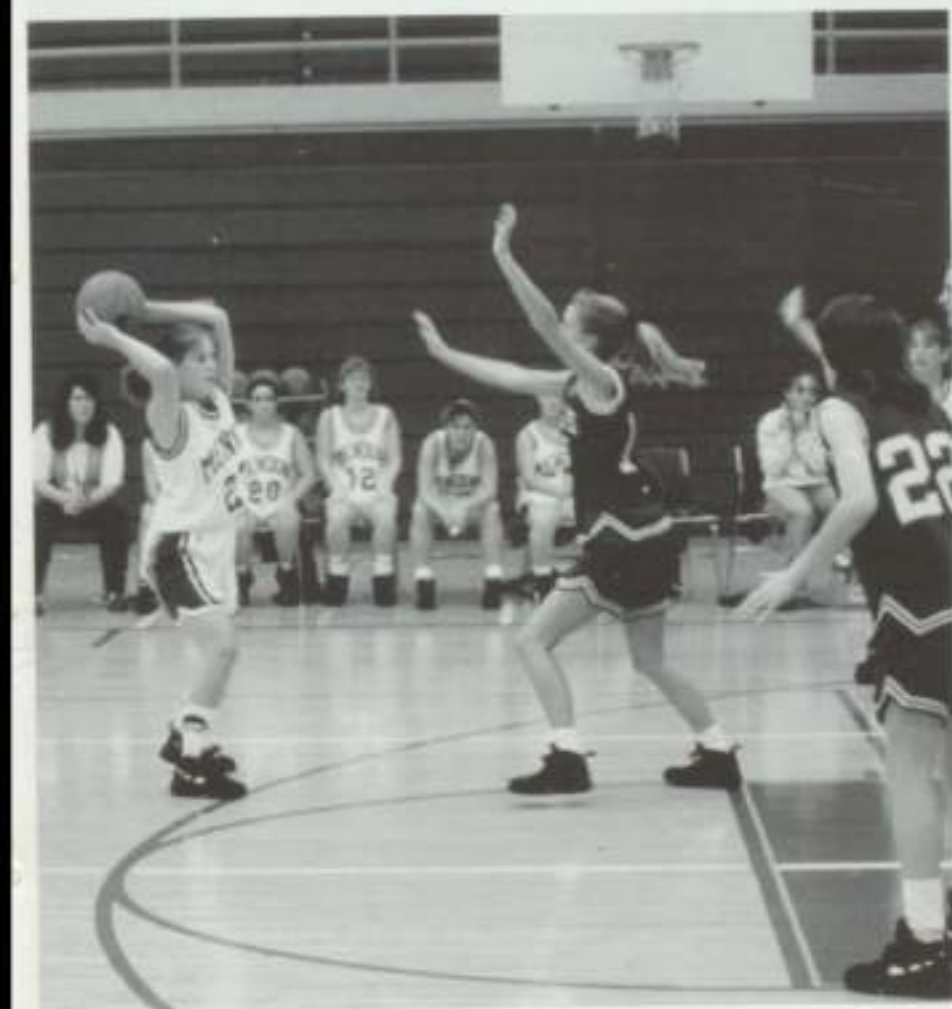
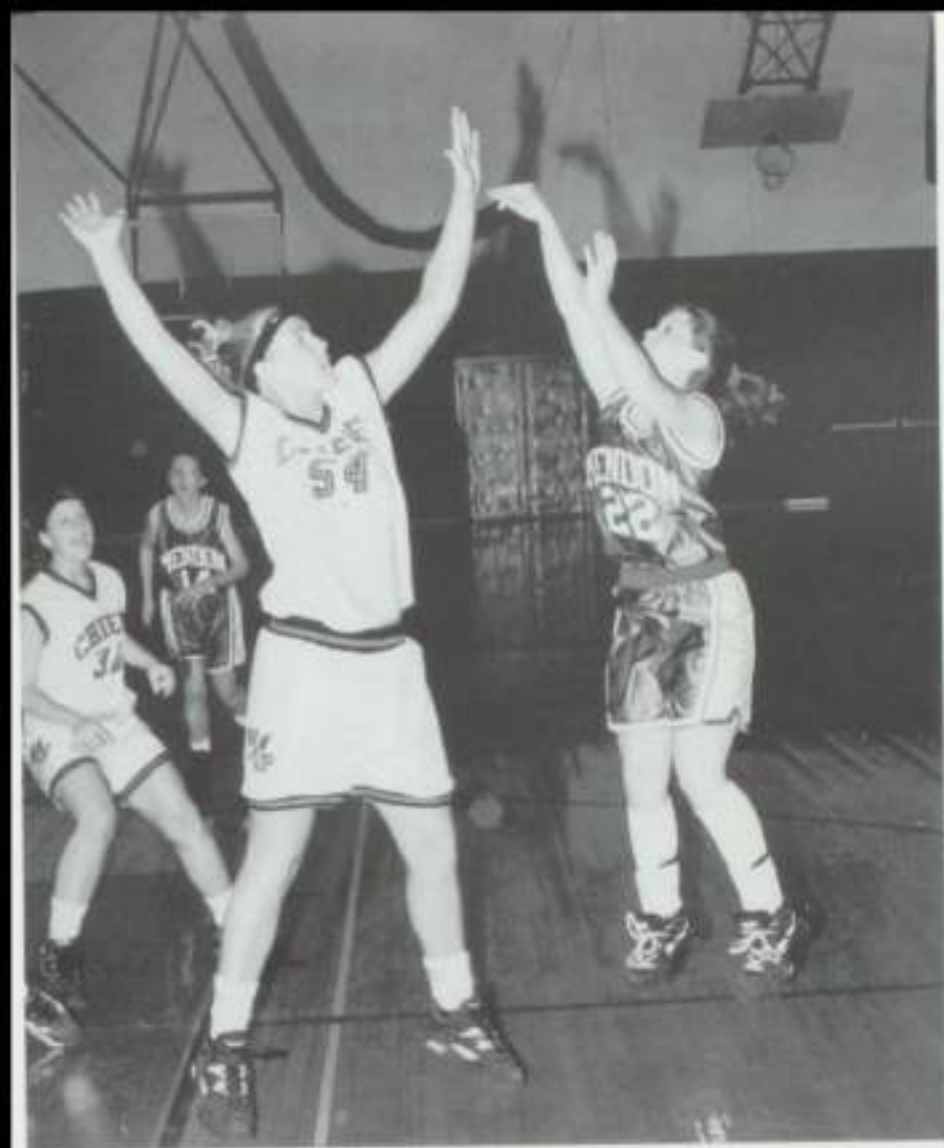


Front Row: Michelle Klein, Tracy Copenhafer, Kendra Cook, Kayleen Cook, Kylee Baker, Gina Biron. Row Two: Coach Leasa Griffith, Lindsay Batten, Nikki Clore, Gina Harter, Sarah Chobot, Nikki Hodges.

The girls went through a transitional period with a lot of learning. Their attitude of "never say die" was the foundation for their enormous amount of enthusiasm. The team will have to say good-bye to our three senior leaders, and that will be tough considering they leave a big gap to be filled.







# Girls J.V. Basketball



Top Row (left to right): Elyssa Vernon, Mindy Zinsmaster, Traci Skryzpek, Christina Beal, Mary Moyer, Kasey Culp, and Coach Lori Higgins. Bottom Row: LeeAnn Millard, Christina Stephenson, Abby Baker, and Christy Kirk.





# 8th Grade Girls Basketball



Back Row: Coach-Mrs. Bombrys, Carrie Cardiff, Lissa Clore, Katie Jones, Liz Sacksteder, Nicole Mason, Tennile Breece, Coach -"Doc" Calaway, Front Row: Trisha Allen, Christel Schwartz, and Morgan Jones.





# 7th Grade Girls Basketball



Amanda Grant, Angela Grant, Karl McClish, Kim Dubbeld, Amanda Sedam, Brandi Skrypek, Kristi Dubbeld, Wendy Skrypek, Crystal Batten, Katrina Dubbeld, Shannon Frost, Kelly McClish.





# Cross Country



Front: Eileen Frost, Mindy Zinsmaster, Tiffany Nemire, Heather House, Kay Cook, Michelle Klein, Stephanie Klein, Kasey Culp, Cindy Klein, manager. Back: Coach Art Bombrys, Wade Harrison, Dave Schrock, Dusty Drewer, Jeremiah Sacksteder, Warren Geark, Chris Spielman, Jason Whitney.







Top row from left: Eileen Frost, Tiffany Nemire, Stephanie Klein, Coach Bombrys, Michelle Klein, Kasey Culp. Bottom: Heather House, Kayleen Cook, Lena Rice.

Girls  
Cross Country  
Win  
Regionals,  
Claim Second  
In State!!!



Above left: Excitedly waiting for our awards at Regionals.  
Left: The snow doesn't slow Stephanie down, as she speeds by an opponent.  
Above: Our proud seniors, Stephanie & Kayleen, show off their Regional trophy.

# OF ALL HOMECOMING



Homecoming Court



Former King & Queen  
Erik Chesser & Shellee Bell



1995 King & Queen,  
Wade Harrison  
&  
Kandi Munn



Jeremiah Sacksteder &  
Kendra Cook



Rocky Alexander &  
Jackie Schultz



Craig Riddle &  
Susanne Carpenter



Jason Jones &  
Tracy Phillips

# WINTER HOMECOMING



Homecoming Court



King & Queen



Duke & Duchess



Senior Nominees

Gina Harter &  
Nathan Copenhafer



Heidi Hankinson &  
Jason Newman



Junior Nominees

Gina Biron &  
Calvin Klinger



Lindsay Batten &  
Garnell Scott



Sophomore Nominees

Tracy Motz &  
David Shrock



Elyssa Vernon &  
Josh Zinsmaster



Freshman Nominees

Mindy Zinsmaster &  
Ben Harrison



Traci Skrzypek &  
Mark Schabes

# STATE CHAMPS!!!



Hornets Crush LLH 19 to 8, Grab State Crown!



# Varsity Football



Back Row: Jason Eickhoff, Coach Ettinger, Ben Jones, Kurt Wagner, Garneil Scott, Zac McClain, Justin Wenzel, Chuck Forman, Greal Noble. Second Row: Ryan Collins, Jason Jones, Rock Alexander, Jeremy Wycoff, Derek Jones, Tony Geiber, Brock Schrader. Front Row: Nate Copenhafer, Brent Stephenson, Brian Persinger, Josh McClain, Ryan Schwartz, Brian Eickhoff, Calvin Klinger, Jason Newman, Josh Batten, Coaches Clint Wagner and John Schwartz.



JVs in action

# Varsity Football Takes Revenge!!!

In '94, the Mendon Hornets Football team suffered many painful losses. So throughout the summer, the whole team worked out thinking about the year ahead. The '95 Hornets featured twelve seniors, six juniors and two sophomores who were already ranked number one in the state. The word for this year's team was REVENGE. The Hornets started an explosion in Galien by winning dominantly (47-0), and continued winning throughout the regular season, grabbing a share of the SJV crown. Along the way the Hornets went 8-1, avenging last year's losses to White Pigeon (43-0) and Constantine (21-8). The only loss came at Schoolcraft where the Green and White dropped a tough defensive struggle to

the Eagles (7-6). The Hornets were selected as the Class D area team and went into the playoffs ranked 2nd in the state, behind Lake Linden Hubbel.

In the playoffs, Pittsford came to Mendon with an unbeaten record, a conference championship and a number five ranking. The Wildcats showed no respect for the Hornets or the SJV, so the Green Machine sent 'em home with a reason to respect both, a 62-0 embarrassment. The playoff road then led to Lawrence and the game known simply as the "Snow-Bowl." The Hornets pulled out a slim victory (18-14). In the Semi-Finals, the Hornets found the re-match they had worked for all summer — against Waterford.

The Lakers had ended the Hornet's season a game early the previous year, and once again the team turned to the familiar theme of revenge. On a muddy field, the "Gators" took the 14-7 victory in a tightly contested battle. The Hornets were on their way to their second home again. In the Dome, the Hornets faced a familiar opponent, Lake Linden Hubbel for the third time in four trips. Once again, the Green and White was victorious (19-8). The Hornets brought home the State Crown to add to those from '69, '72, '82, '89, '91, and '93. Although twelve seniors graduated, there is a wealth of talent and coaching, and the "Gators" are expected to dominate for years to come.

— By Percy and Jay





# J.V. Football



Top (left to right) : Coach J.J. Wagner, Shawn Allen, Nick Kemp, Craig Kline, Harris Tuttle, Wes Klein, Rusty Alexander, Tyler Wilds, Coach Glen Sampson. Bottom : Art Fenwick, Dan Adams, Josh Sanford, Travis Munn, Josh Zinsmaster, Andy Kline, Calvin Lemon.





The J.V. football team's record was five wins and two losses. The J.V. team played with heart all year. The high point for this team's season was without a doubt their victory over Schoolcraft. Wes Klein and Rusty Alexander scored all four touch-

downs to help the team pull away with a victory, the final score was 28-8. Shawn Allen led the team in tackles during the season, while Wes Klein led the team in touchdowns and rushing yardage.



# 8th Grade Football



Front: Jordan Wenzel, Nick McClain. Middle: Lincoln Klinger, Justin Ettinger, Zac Crouch. Back: Keith Cockrell.





# Cheerleading



Front Row: Melanie Harrison, Jackie Schultz, Amy Stevens, Raina Cook. Top Row: Tracy Phillips, Crissy Allen, Janelle Schroder, Coach Gina Newman.



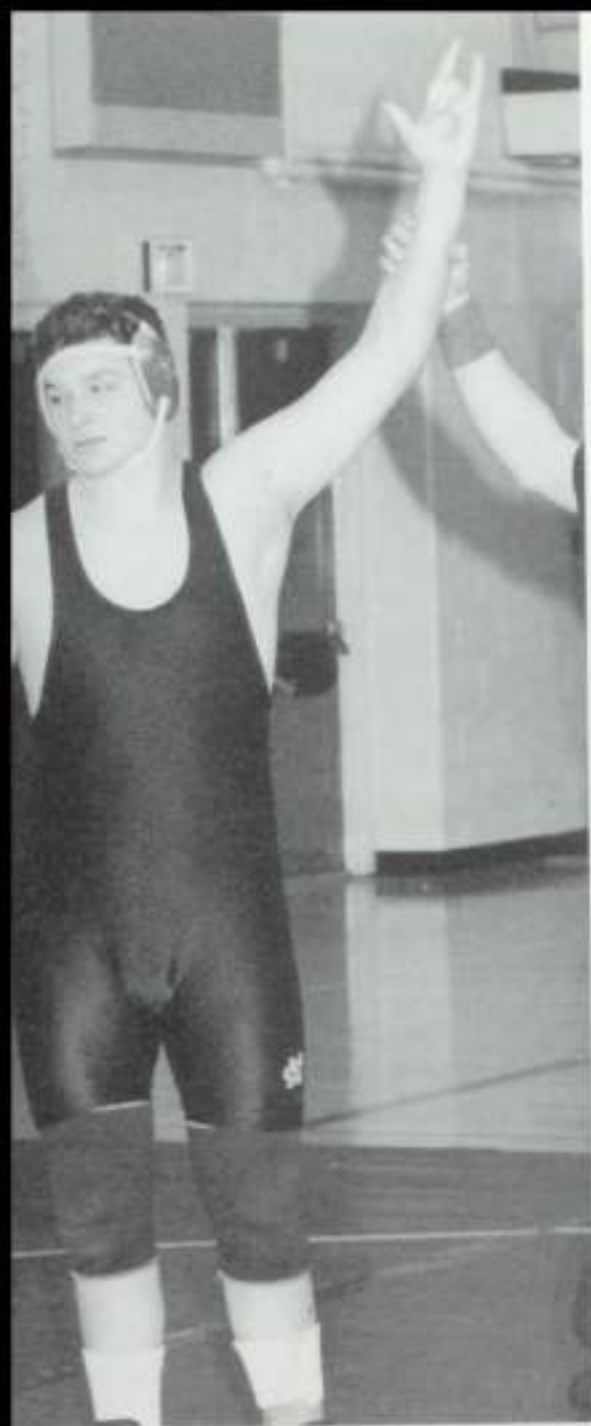


# Wrestling



Front: Art Fenwick, Aaron Reed, Brent Stephenson, Bryan Mathews. Middle: John Coomer, Josh McClain, Brian Persinger, Rusty Allen. Back: James Buchanan, Chris Reed, Zac McClain, Josh Gibe.





# Varsity Volleyball



Front: Kasey Culp, Kylee Baker, Kendra Cook, Gina Harter, Lindsay Batten, Amber Jones, Kay Cook. Back: Coach Kathy Trenary, Julie Weinberg, Traci Skryzpek.







# Junior Varsity Volleyball



Front: Janice Moreland, Lena Rice, Abby Baker. Center: Elyssa Vernon, Melissa Collins, Mindy Zinsmaster, Becky Fritz, Eileen Frost. Back: Coach Lori Higgins, Tiffany Nemire, Crissy Allen, Christina Beal, Tracy Motz, Selena Schroeder, Sarah Batten.



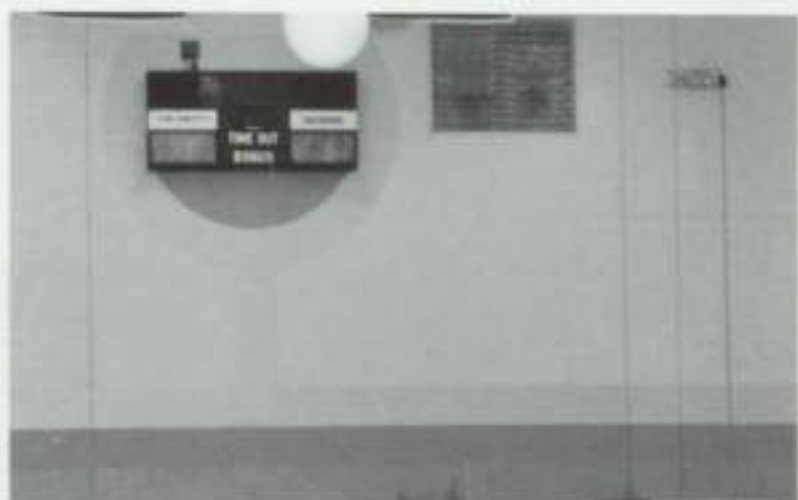


# 8th Grade Volleyball





# 7th Grade Volleyball





# Varsity Basketball



Front: Derek Jones, Justin Wenzel, Ryan Schwartz, Rocky Alexander, Jason Jones. Back: Asst. Coach Nate Avery, Wes Klein, Coach Richard Victor, Chuck Forman, Doc Callaway, Rusty Alexander, John Schabes, Wade Harrison, Dave Schrock.





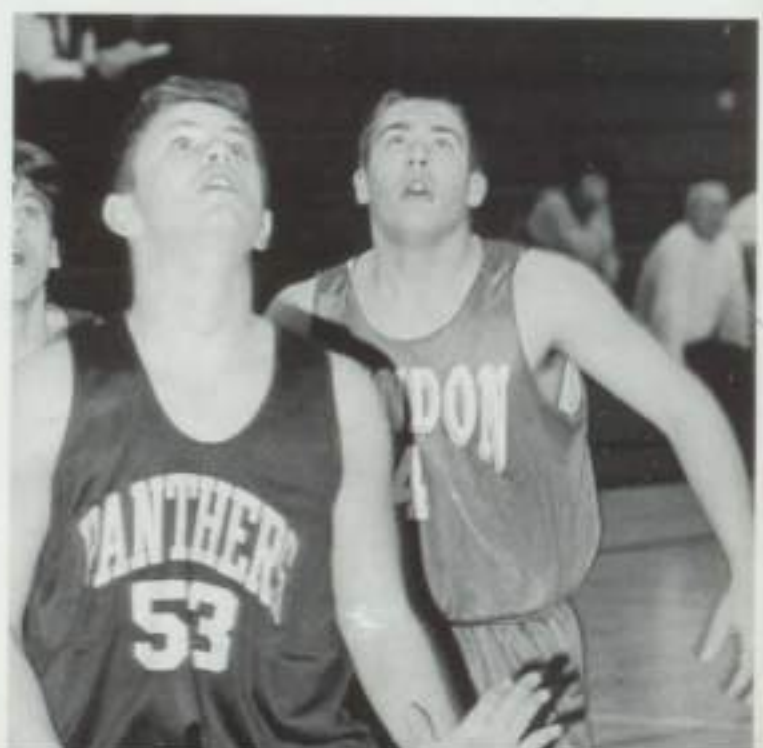


# JV Boys Basketball





# Middle School Boys



# Basketball



# 7th Grade Boys Basketball



# Varsity Volleyball



Front Row: Manager Brandi Skrzypek, Amber Jones, Kendra Cook, Kasey Culp, Kylee Baker. Back Row: Lindsay Batten, Katie Schrader, Gina Harter, Traci Skrzypek, Julie Weinberg, Kayleen Cook, Coach Kathy Trenary.

# Varsity Softball



Front Row: Tracy Copenhafer, Kayleen Cook, Gina Biron, Sarah Chobat. Back Row: Nikki Hodges, Fernanda Correno, Marisa Collins, Tory Wilds, Christy Kirk, Mary Moyer, Lindsay Batten, Kendra Cook, Coach Dave Cook.



Back Row: Brian Eickhoff, Nate Copenhafer, Kayleen Cook, Kendra Cook, Gina Harter, Susie Carpenter, Jeremiah Sacksteder, Justin Wenzel. Front: Cory Bainbridge, Jeannine Sanderson, Melissa Reed, Amy Staples, Stephanie Klein, Ginny Sedam, Fernanda Correno, Zac McClain.

# Student Federation



Back: Brian Eickhoff, Justin Wenzel, Jeremiah Sacksteder, Nate Copenhafer. Front: Kayleen Cook, Susie Carpenter, Gina Harter, Kendra Cook.



Front Row: Amanda Grant, Kelly Walker, Heather Pangle, Mandy Sedam. Back Row: Azzie Cook, Kim Drewer, Nicole Mason, Casey Walker.

# Track and Field







# Girls Track and Field





# Varsity Softball





# Varsity Baseball











MHS  
Activities



# Sr. High Band



*Arion Band  
Award winner  
Gina  
Harter*







# The Mendon High School



# Drama Club presents...



The Cast: bottom: Ryan Schwartz, Dan Adams, sitting: Elyssa Vernon, Tiffany Nemire, Christy Stephenson, back row: Matt Eickhoff, Lena Rice, Kasey Culp, Ginny Sedam, Director Chris Armitage, Tracy Motz, Jeremiah Sacksteder, Amber Jones, Angela Grant





# Quiz Bowl



Quiz Masters: Matt, Tracy, Brock, Lena and Tracy in back.





# Sting '96



The 1996 Sting Staff:  
Front Row: Josh Sanford, Mindy Zinsmaster, Sally Fisher, Abby Baker, LeeAnn Millard, Lena Rice. Back Row: Travis Munn, Matt Eickhoff, Tiffany Nemire, Tracy Skrzypek, Heather House, Mrs. Taylor.

The staff took a trip to Gaylord, Michigan to attend a one-day yearbook workshop.



Heather, Lee-Ann, Sally, Abby, Tracy and Mindy calling on area businesses selling yearbook ads



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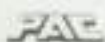
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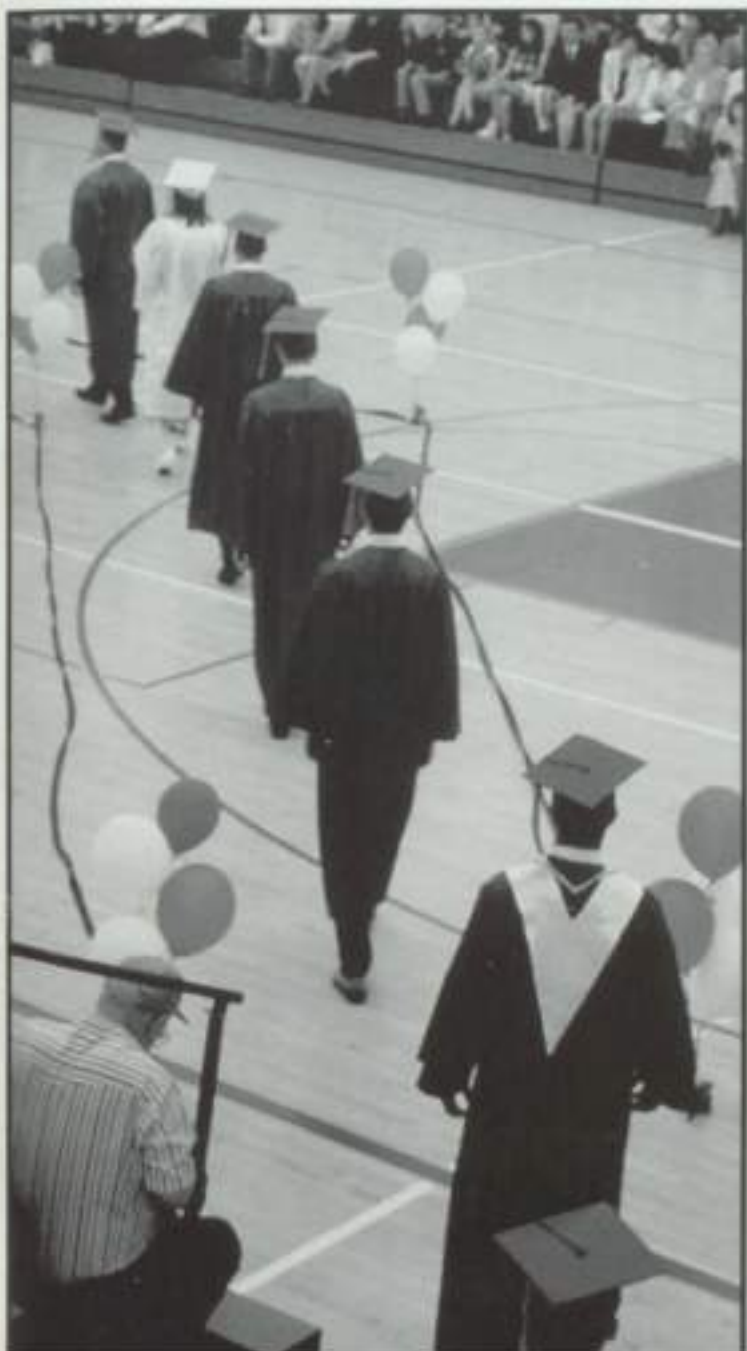


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dirt road.

## C

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3,4; NHS VP 4; HOMECOMING  
COURT 4; BAND 1,2,3,4; PROM  
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1,2,3,4; BASEBALL 1,2,3,4;  
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1,2,3,4; SANTA 4  
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1,2,3,4; STUDENT SENATE 1,2,4;  
NHS 3,4; 4-H 1,2,3,4; I DARE YOU  
3  
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1,2,3,4; SOFTBALL 1,2,3,4; BAND  
1,2,3,4; NHS 3,4; 4-H 1,2,3,4;  
GIRLS STATE 3; HOMECOMING  
COURT 1,4  
Every human being is intended to have  
a character of his own, to be what no  
other is, and to do what no other can  
do.

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1,2,3,4; BOYS STATE; HOBY;  
NHS, 4-H

Success is 50% heart and 50% guts.  
Have the heart to want success and  
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## D

**DEHOFF, RAE LYNN "RAERAE":**  
VOLLEYBALL 1; SWIM TEAM  
1,2,3,4; BAND 1,2,3; ISGH  
HONORS 3,4  
Where the sidewalk ends and the road  
begins...

## E

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1,2,3,4; STUDENT SENATE 1,2,3,4;  
NHS 3,4; ART 1,2,3,4; SKIING  
1,2,3,4; GOLF 1,2,3,4;  
If you don't say anything, you won't  
be asked to repeat it.

## F

**FURLow, CRISTINA HOPE**  
"CRICKET": BAND 1,4  
When you play with fire, you're bound  
to get burned.

## G

**HANKINSON, HEIDI LYNN**  
INDEPENDENT ART; JUST SAY  
NO; SWIMMING; BOWLING  
Life is too short to not live it to its  
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CTE 3; PROM COMMITTEE 3; NHS  
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PLACE 3; WHO'S WHO AMONG  
AMERICAN HS STUDENTS 3,4  
Never take to heart the opinions of  
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## J

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1,2,3; TRACK 1,2,3; BAND 1,2;  
HOMECOMING COURT 1,4;  
Welcome to the show!

## K

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"STEPH": XCOUNTRY 1,2,3,4;  
STATE CHAMP 2,3; ALL LEAGUE

1,2,3,4; ALL-STATE 1,2,3,4;  
TRACK 1,2,3,4; STATE CHAMP 1,  
ALL-STATE 1,2,3; INDOOR TRACK  
1,2,3,4; NHS 4; CLASS  
SECRETARY 3,4; HONOR ROLL  
1,2,3,4  
Even if you are on the right track, you  
will get run over if you just sit there.

**KLEPPER, JASON:** TRACK 2,3,4

## M

**MARTIN, SARA MEAGAN**  
"PRINCESS": BAND 1,2,3,4  
They all look at me and say "Hey,  
look at her! We'll never live that way!"  
But that's OK, they're just afraid to  
change.

**MICCLAIN, JOHN JOSHUA "JOSE":**  
FOOTBALL 1,2,3,4; BASKETBALL  
1,2; WRESTLING 3,4; BASEBALL  
1,2,3,4; TREASURER 2  
Good, better, best; never let it rest  
Until your good is better and your  
better is best.

**MUNN, CANDICE CHRISTINE**  
"KANDI": BAND 1; HOMECOMING  
COURT 4; QUEEN 4; TREASURER  
4; HIGH HONORS 4;  
INDEPENDENT ART 3,4  
Everything happens for a reason.

## N

**NEWMAN, JASON "NEWMAN":**  
FOOTBALL 1,3,4; BASKETBALL  
1,2,3; BASEBALL 1,2,3,4; VP 4; SS  
4  
Shall the roots over our heads never  
fall to and the blinds by our sides  
never fall out.

## P

**PHILLIPS, TRACY SUE**  
BASKETBALL 1; VOLLEYBALL  
1,2; TRACK 1,2; CHEERLEADING  
4; HOME COMING COURT 1,  
DUTCHESS 4; BAND 2,3,4  
Everyone has a smile inside so put it  
upon your face and wear it with pride.

## R

**RIDDLE, CRAIG AARON "SLICK":**  
BAND 1,2,3; CTE 3,4;  
HOMECOMING COURT 4; HONOR  
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Do as I say, not as I do.

## S

**SACHSTEDER, JEREMIAH**  
BASKETBALL 1; XCOUNTRY 3,4;

TRACK 3,4; STUDENT SENATE  
3,4; NHS 3,4; I DARE YOU, DAK  
GOOD CITIZEN  
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a matter of choice; it is not a thing to  
be waited for, it is a thing to be  
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comes back to you it was yours all  
along, but if it does not, it was never  
yours to begin with.

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1,2,3; BIBS 1,2,3,4; PROM  
COMMITTEE 3; SADD 1,2,3,4  
Learn from your mistakes. Never  
make the same one twice.

**WRIGHT, CHAD STEVEN "ELMO":**  
CTE 4; MYEES 4

**WYCKOFF, JEREMY CHASE**  
"JERIN": FOOTBALL 1,2,3,4; CTE  
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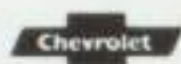


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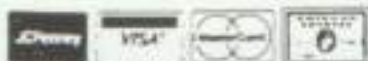
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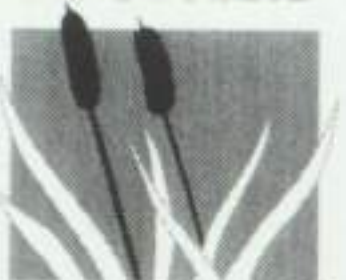
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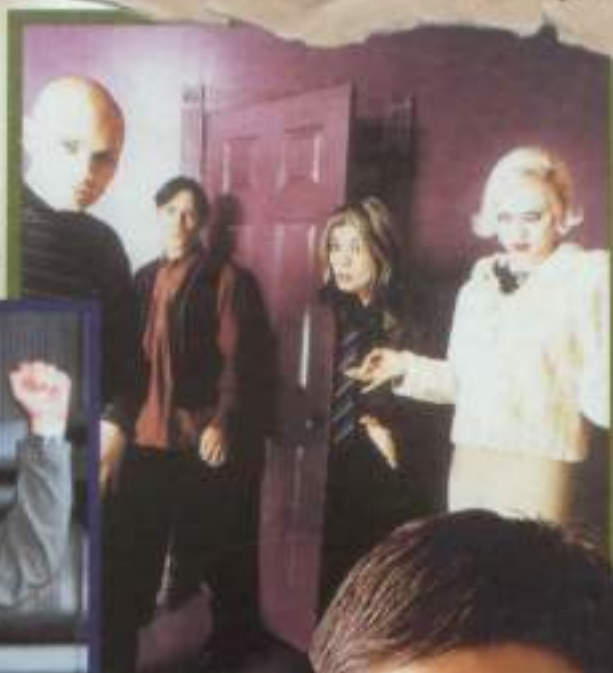


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## News



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# Movies

SCREEN SAVERS



Versatile and charming, Emma Thompson wrote the Academy Award-winning script for and stars in "Sense and Sensibility," a touching comedy about two sisters falling in love.



In "Casino," Sharon Stone plays a veteran Las Vegas hustler in Martin Scorsese's three-hour depiction of how the mob controlled and ultimately lost Las Vegas.



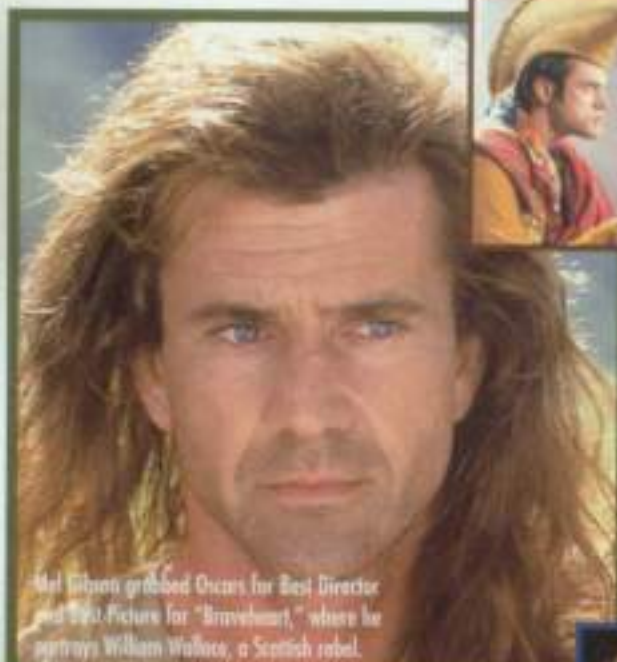
Whatever! Alicia Silverstone stars in "Clueless" as a Beverly Hills princess. The hilarious teen comedy is based loosely on an 1816 novel by Jane Austen.



In "Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls," rubber-faced Jim Carrey brought fans to the box office in droves with his sequel to "Ace Ventura: Pet Detective."



Master of laugh Robin Williams and a feast of special effects brings the jungle to life in the fanciful movie "Jumanji."



Mel Gibson grabbed Oscars for Best Director and Best Picture for "Braveheart," where he portrays William Wallace, a Scottish rebel.



## Box Office

(\$ in millions)\*

1. "Batman Forever," \$164
2. "Apollo 13," \$172
3. "Toy Story," \$150
4. "Pocahontas," \$141
5. "Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls," \$104

\* Based on 8 days.



Nicolas Cage won critical acclaim and an Oscar for his portrayal of a man determined to drink himself to death in the dark drama "Leaving Las Vegas."



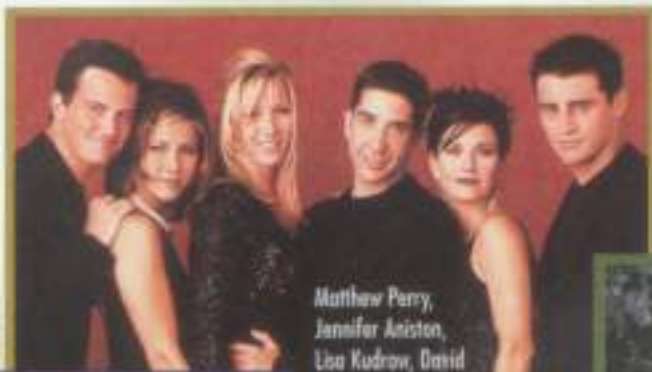
Woody, the pull-string cowboy, and Buzz Lightyear brightened the holiday season in "Toy Story," Disney's feature-length, computer-animated smash hit.



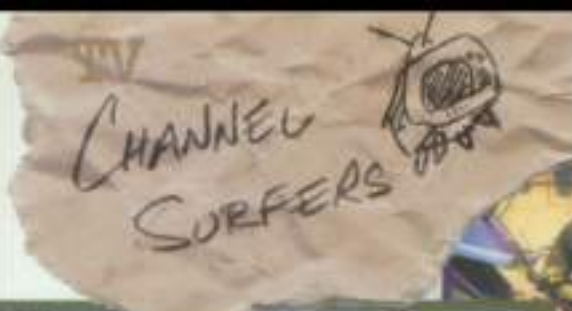
"Babe," a family-oriented film from Australia, features a talking pig that becomes a sheep herder and a hero among his barnyard friends. James Cromwell stars as the farmer in this delightful story of diplomacy and courtesy.



Best Actress winner Susan Sarandon portrays a Louisiana nun in "Dead Man Walking," which also stars Sean Penn as a death-row inmate.



Matthew Perry, Jennifer Aniston, Lisa Kudrow, David Schwimmer, Courteney Cox and Matt LeBlanc made "Friends" the hottest, wackiest, funniest sitcom sensation of the year.



Mike Nelson and Servo spent yet another year ridiculing bad movies, to the delight of "Mystery Science Theater 3000" fans.



On "Frasier," the Crane family and friends maintained their pointed take on life in Seattle.



Still quirky, "Seinfeld" remained as popular as ever in the post-Cosmo era.



Leo Thompson and her zany cast debuted this year in "Caroline in the City."



Fox weighed in with a critically acclaimed hour-long drama about five young people trying to move on with their lives after the sudden death of their parents in "Party of Five."

Jonathan Silverman negotiated the hazards of New York City's single life in "The Single Guy."



Tim Allen continued to bring his unique slant on masculinity to his role as father, husband and host of "Tool Time" on ABC's "Home Improvement."

### TV's Best\*

1. "ER"
2. "Seinfeld"
3. "Friends"
4. "Caroline in the City"
5. "NFL Monday Night Football"

\*Nielsen Media Research

The fast-paced intrigue of "ER" made it the No. 1 show in America's homes.



### Student Soapbox

"I never judge a friend by appearance, sex, race or age.

Attributes I value in my friends are honesty and dedication."

Esther Williams - Vancouver, Wash.

# Music

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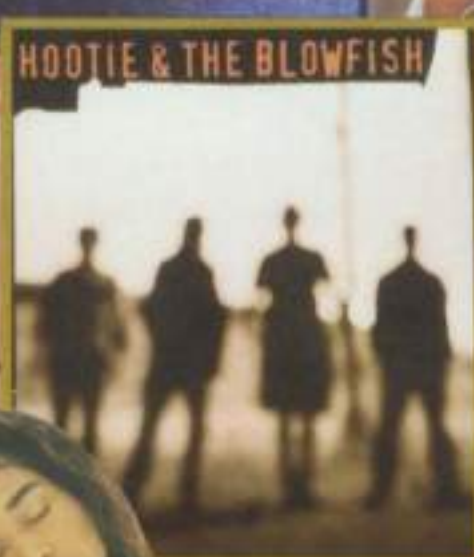
U.S. record sales for country megastar Garth Brooks surpassed all artists except the Beatles following the release of "Fresh Horses," his first studio album in two years.

Country music newcomer Tim McGraw turned out the No. 6 best-selling country album with "All I Want."

## Hottest Hits\*

1. "Crocketed Bear View," Hootie & the Blowfish
2. "The Hits," Garth Brooks
3. "H," Boyz II Men
4. "Hell Freezes Over," Eagles
5. "CrazySexyCool," TLC

TLC was rhythm and blues' most talked about act of the year with "Waterfalls."



Shania Twain first hit the charts with "Whose Bed Have Your Boots Been Under," and went on to release the blockbuster, 3 million-seller album "The Woman in Me."

Hootie & The Blowfish were named the year's top adult contemporary artists for their debut album "Crocketed Bear View," which sold 11 million copies and spun off a string of singles and video hits.



Coolio and L.V. collaborated on the year's top single, "Gangsta's Paradise," from the "Dangerous Minds" soundtrack.



All ten hours and 28 songs of The Smashing Pumpkins' double album "Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness" soared to No. 1 on the charts.



It debuted at No. 1 after a \$30 million promotional push, but Michael Jackson's "HIStory" fell short of expectations when sales dropped sharply after the initial robust showing.



Released 25 years after the Beatles broke up, "Anthology I" sold 2 million copies in three weeks.

The Eagles surprised veteran rockers with the success of "Hell Freezes Over."

Soul dynamo Kenneth "Babyface" Edmonds created a soothing mix of love songs performed by TLC, Whitney Houston and teen star Brandy in the best-selling "Waiting to Exhale" soundtrack.



Contemporary Christian performer Amy Grant's album, "House of Love," sold 2 million copies.

## Student Soapbox

"I listen to all different kinds of music because I feel it makes me a more diverse person and enables me to relate to more people."  
Brooke Hutson - Cuba, Mo.







The Dallas Cowboys, pro football's team of the '90s, won their third Super Bowl in four years with a victory over the Pittsburgh Steelers in Super Bowl XXX.

Dazzling Pete Sampras was an American hero at home and abroad, winning tennis' Triple Crown with victories in Wimbledon, the U.S. Open and the Davis Cup.

The never-say-die Atlanta Braves finally won a World Series title when they defeated the American League Champion Cleveland Indians in the October classic.



Future Hall of Fame quarterback Dan Marino of the Miami Dolphins surprised Fran Tarkenton as the NFL's all-time leading passer.



Amid howls of protest, controversial heavy-weight boxing champ Mike Tyson returned to the ring after serving prison time for rape, knocking out challenger Peter McNealyn in a mere 89 seconds.



In spite of family problems and nagging injuries, Steffi Graf maintained her top ranking in women's tennis with victories in Wimbledon, the U.S. Open and the French Open.



Basketball magic came alive in Los Angeles when Ervin (Magic) Johnson announced his return to the L.A. Lakers after four years of retirement because of his infection with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. In mid-May, Johnson retired from professional basketball ... again.



Cal Ripken Jr. broke Lou Gehrig's 56-year-old record when he played in his 2,131 consecutive game Sept. 6.



Tennis great Monica Seles made a breathtaking comeback to the court following her recovery from a stab wound inflicted by a deranged spectator two-and-a-half years ago.



Nebraska's Big Red machine whipped Florida 62-24 in the Fiesta Bowl to win the collegiate national football championship for the second consecutive year with a spiffy 13-0 record.

### Champions

- Baseball/World Series: Atlanta Braves
- Football/Super Bowl: Dallas Cowboys
- Football/Fiesta Bowl: Nebraska Cornhuskers
- Basketball/NCAA: Kentucky Wildcats
- Golf/Masters: Ben Crenshaw
- Tennis/U.S. Open—Stages: Pete Sampras, Steffi Graf



### Student Soapbox

"I like to be around positive people. A good self-esteem and a good attitude are important to me."  
Michael Turner - Madison, Tenn.

HEADLINE GRABBERS



Twenty-year-old Sharon Faulkner won a two-year court battle for admission to The Citadel, an all-male military academy, only to leave after the first grueling week because of exhaustion. She was joined by 30 male cadets, who dropped out for the same reason.



President Bill Clinton and Congressional Republican leaders Bob Dole and Newt Gingrich failed to reach a compromise on the 1996 federal budget, resulting in an unprecedented shutdown of government operations.



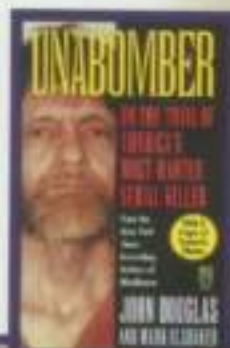
Air Force Capt. Scott O'Grady won the admiration of the nation for surviving six brutal days in a Bosnian forest after being shot down by Serbian gunfire.



Oh, Jackie! Onassis's auctioned some 5,000 Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis "hand-me-downs" for four days in April. Items included her 40-carat engagement ring, \$2,587,500 and her silver tape measure, \$48,875.



Americans were left deeply divided by the acquittal of O.J. Simpson, whose eight-month-long, televised murder trial riveted the nation's attention and made celebrities of both legal teams.



Less than a month after Unabomber suspect Ted Kaczynski was taken into custody, bookstores were filled with paperbacks detailing his life and 18 years of bombings.



The gritty House Speaker from Georgia, Rep. Newt Gingrich, was named Time magazine's Man of the Year for his role in leading the Republican Revolution.



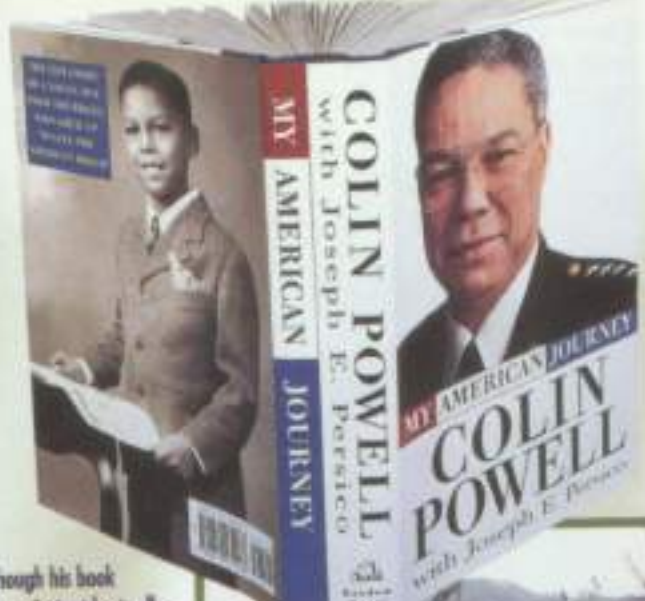
"55" took a dive as Congress abolished the national speed limit and gave states the right to set their own limits—or do away with them altogether, as several Western states did.



Bob Dole pushed aside nearly a dozen Republican presidential hopefuls, including Patrick Buchanan, Steve Forbes and Lamar Alexander, as the 1996 presidential campaign opened in earnest.



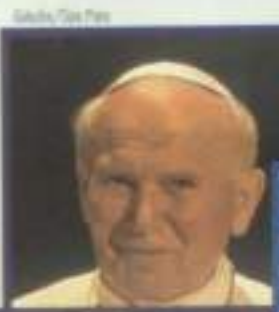
Those who said it wouldn't last were right. Lizzy Presley and pop superstar Michael Jackson called it quits after a brief and intriguing marriage.



Although his book was an instant best-seller, Colin Powell disappointed many Americans when he decided not to run for the presidency.



Unusually turbulent weather spawned a record 111 hurricanes in the western hemisphere, leaving 110 people dead and billions of dollars in property damage.



Still vigorous at age 75, Pope John Paul II stopped in the United States on his world tour. 83,000 faithful stood in the rain for his Mass at Giants Stadium in New York City.



Controversial Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan sent out a call for one million African American men across the country to gather in Washington, D.C., as a sign of unity and commitment in the Million Man March.



Mother Nature clobbered the eastern United States with 30 hours of nonstop snow, piling up two feet of the white stuff from North Carolina to Maine. It was the East Coast's worst snow storm in 50 years.

### Say what?

- roots = parents
- a bomb = something cool
- Herb = a not-happenin' dude with a zero social life
- Punk = a herb with good grades
- That's not how I roll. = I'm not interested.
- Talk to the hand. = I'm not listening.
- He's a Baldwin. = He's a hunk.
- She's a Betty. = She's cute.
- Don't go there. = Don't do/say that.

Seven-year-old Jessica Dubroff died living her dream—trying to become the youngest pilot to fly across the United States. Her single-engine plane crashed in Chayenne, Wyo., April 11.



Superhuman determination characterized Christopher Reeve's recovery after a horseback riding accident left him paralyzed.



Hillary Rodham Clinton became the first First Lady to face a grand jury when she testified in the Whitewater affair. She also addressed delegates to the United Nations Women's Conference in Beijing, China.



Nearly four years of civil war in Bosnia ended with the signing of the Dayton Peace Accords and the dispatch of a multinational peacekeeping force to the war-weary eastern European nation.



### Student Soapbox

"My teen years are different from my parents' because they had more freedom and more opportunities in the career world."  
Dana Lewis - Madison Heights, Va.

America's obsession with the Internet grew as the number of home pages—and users—proliferated on the World Wide Web.

TREND SETTERS



The road to the future is paved with microchips, says computer guru and billionaire Bill Gates in "The Road Ahead," his much-anticipated map to the techno-future.



Microsoft Corp. launched its new operating system, Windows 95, selling 16 million copies in four months, thanks to a 23-city promotional tour.

Java joints like this Starbucks Coffee shop sprang up on every urban corner as '96 spawned the coffee craze.



Oprah Winfrey, celebrating 10 years as America's most-loved talk show host, avoided trash-TV topics and outrageous audience participation, unlike her daytime competitors, including Jenny Jones and Ricki Lake.

Best Sellers\*

1. "The Gristline Prophecy," James Redfield
2. "The Bridges of Madison County," Robert James Waller
3. "Politically Correct Bodtime Stories," James Finn Garner
4. "The Rainmaker," John Grisham
5. "Beach Music," Pat Conroy

\* Publishers Weekly

Student Soapbox

"Trust and companionship are important attributes in my friends. Because if you can't trust a friend, are they really a friend? And companionship is essential for a good relationship."

Joshua Switzer - Lakeside, Calif.



Deaths

- Jerry Garcia, 53, leader of the Grateful Dead
- Sergei Grinkov, 28, champion Russian figure skater
- Eva Gabor, 74, actress
- Ron Brown, 54, Commerce Secretary
- Gene Kelly, 83, entertainer
- Yitzhak Rabin, 73, Prime Minister of Israel
- Wollman Jack, 57, rock 'n' roll disc jockey
- Barbara Jordan, 56, constitutional scholar and former congresswoman from Texas
- Butterfly McQueen, 84, actress
- Mickey Mantle, 64, Hall of Fame baseball player
- Dean Martin, 78, entertainer
- Audrey Meadows, 69, actress
- Orville Redenbacher, 88, popcorn king
- George Burns, 100, entertainer



Fashion ads for Calvin Klein jeans and The Gap featured next-door-neighbor types sporting casual body language and carefree, comfortable cottons.



During leisure time, teens opted for casual and comfortable sportswear, sporting vivid reds and navys.



