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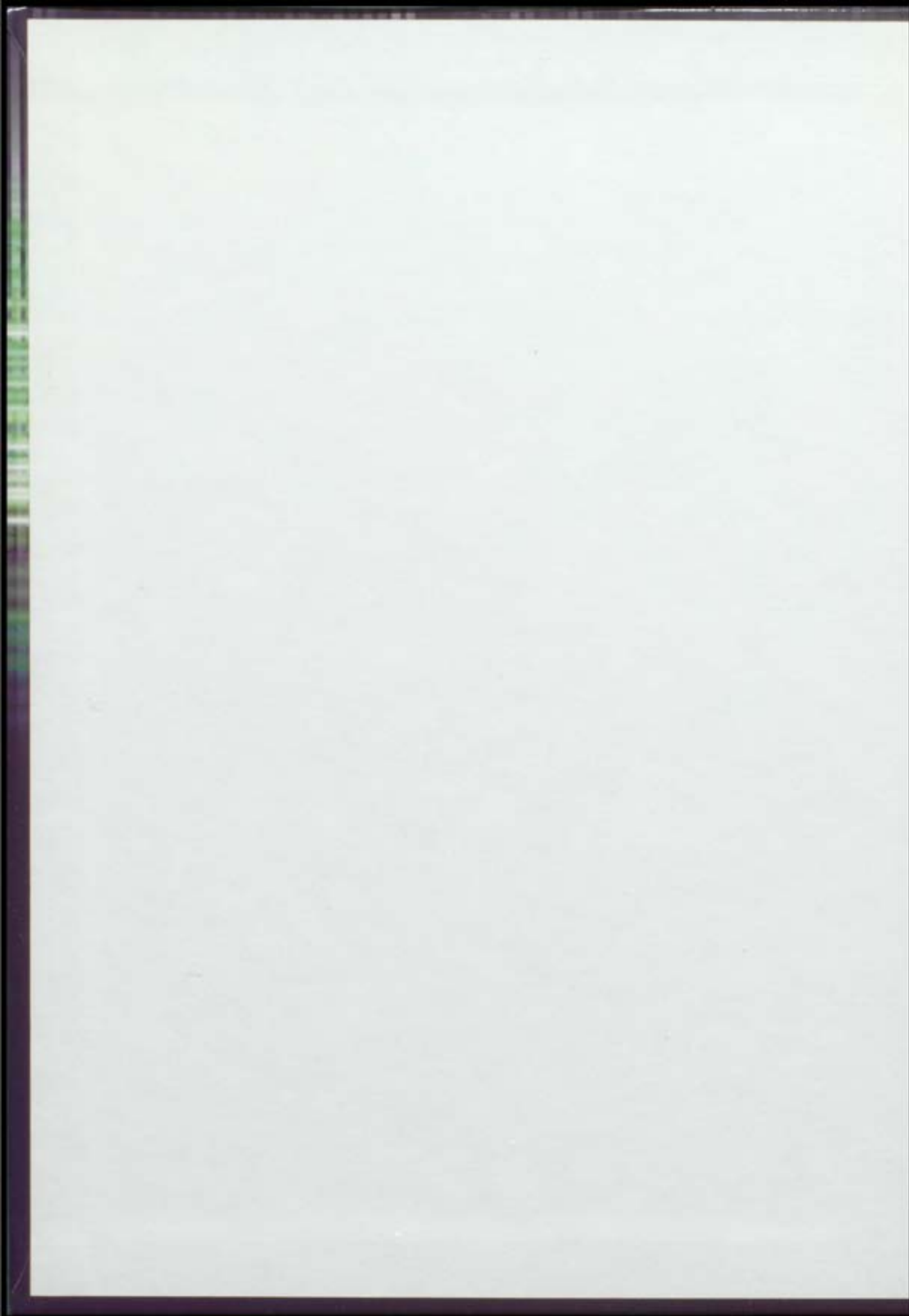
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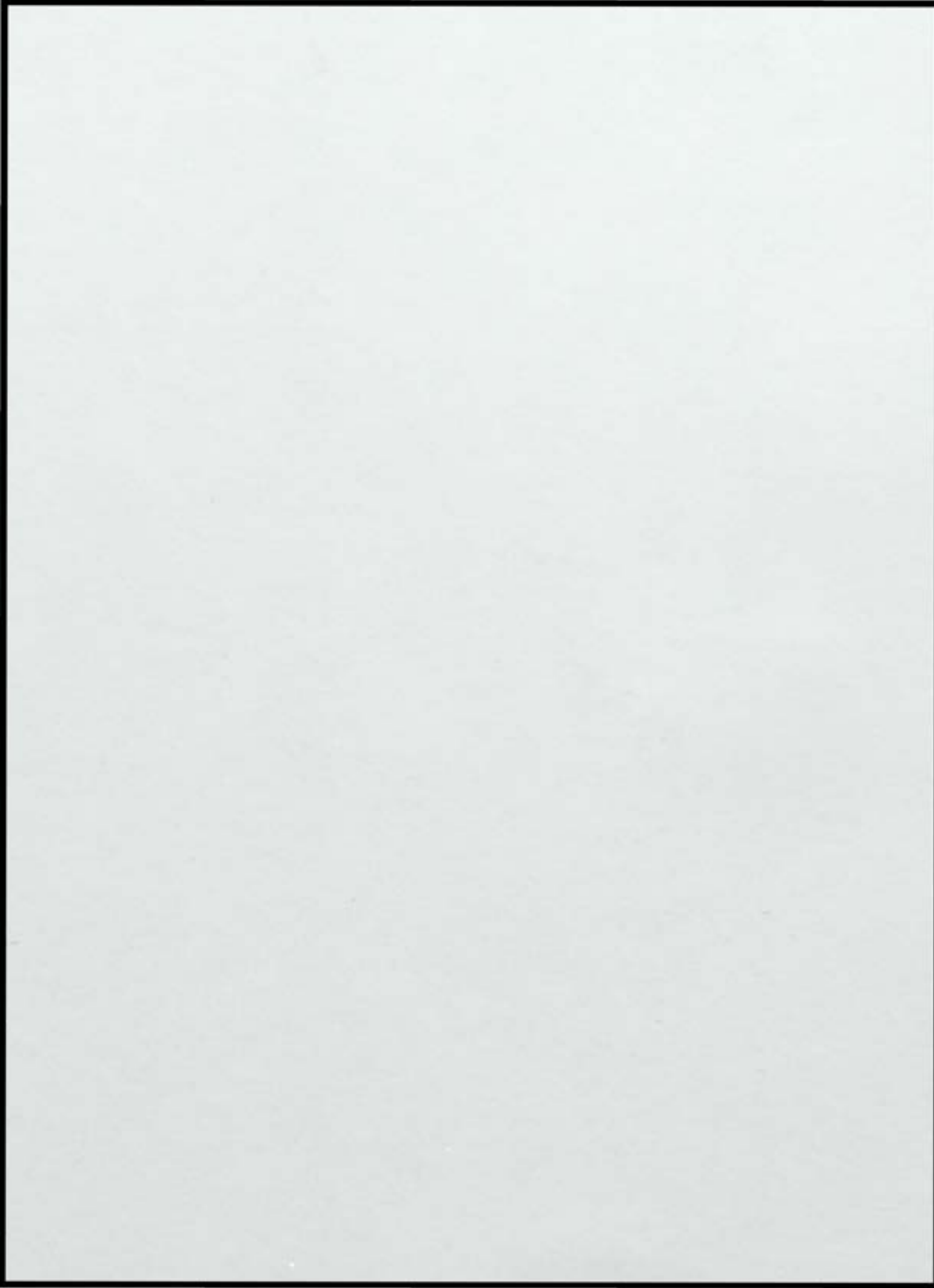
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Bement Community Unit School District #5



Bement High School

2003~2004

201 N. Champaign Street

Bement, IL 61813

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Student Life



Siblings at Bement High School



Heather and Sheena Appleman



Kelly and Sean Harrington



Tosha and Tiffany Horne



Rehann and Leeann Lietz



Angela and Ryon Reffett

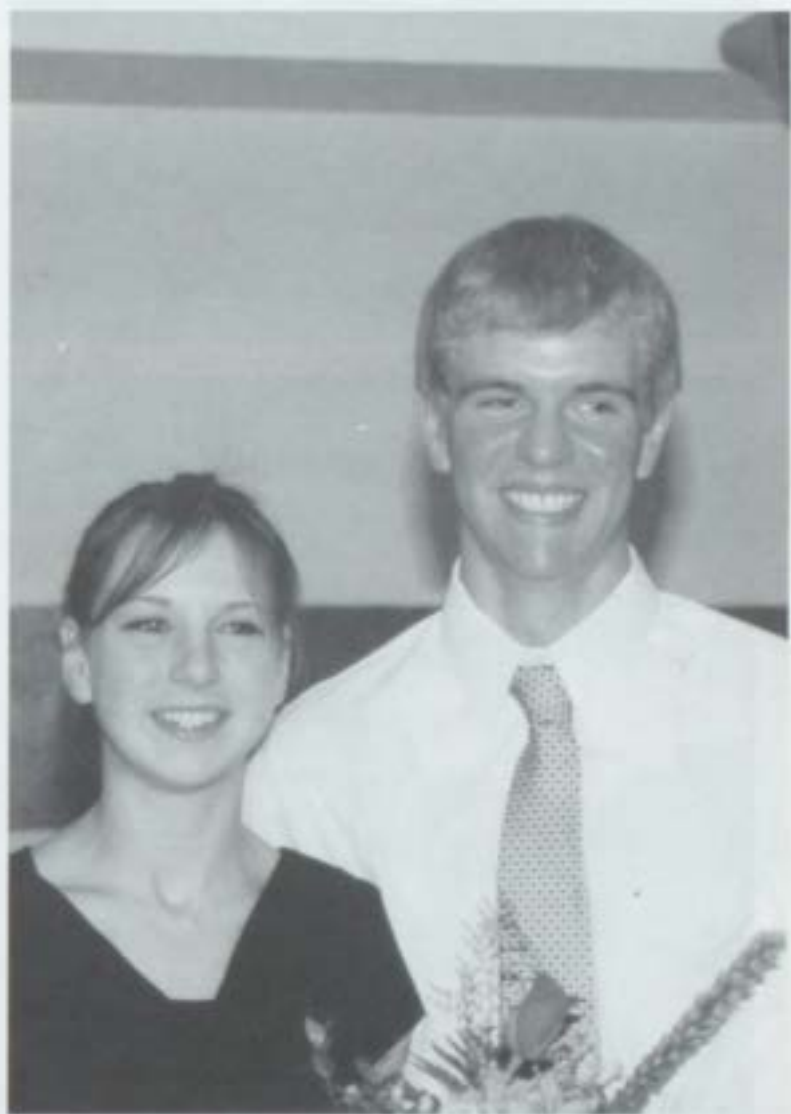


Kendra and Katie Wright

Student Life



Student Life



The Freshman class prepare for the 2003 Homecoming Parade.

Wildcat and Bulldog wave energetically to the masses of adoring fans lining the parade route.



Senior Class wins the 2003 Homecoming float Competition



Jordan Turner, Josh Wells, and Ryan Trott wait for the on-float game to begin.





Rosie Baker and Nicole Cornwell sit back and relax for their final parade ride through town.

Blue Devils just waiting to be beat.



Middle Left: Nickie Dodge, Blake Carson and Tosha Murphy get all caught up in the Homecoming Parade excitement.

Above: The marching band peps up the crowd.

Left: Brittany Parr's horse trots gracefully down Champaign Street.



Left: Mrs. Zucco, Ms. Benzek and Mrs. Craney take their official parade route seats.

Even Chloe the chinchilla's excitement and school spirit shines through Friday morning of Spirit Week.

Joe Smith doesn't just want to be like Mr. Elder, he wants to be Mr. Elder and on Dream Job Day he gets his chance.



Mr. LeFever's dream job outfit leads many to think of relaxing retirement.

Jade Vernon and Katie Shayka demonstrate that student's imaginations are the limit of spirit week.





Carissa Benner, Ryan Brittenham and Clair Bryan show us that there is never more school spirit at Homecoming than with football players and cheerleaders.

Brittany Parr, Ashley Magos and Brittany Benson are full of school spirit before the start of the Homecoming Parade.



Middle Left: Casey Brittenham and Tosha Murphy are comfy for pajama day.

Above: Nick Lust, Nickie Dodge, Tiffany Dodge and Ryan Klein think that Spirit Week is and "overall" success.

Left: Dressing up is fun for Joe Smith, Jade Vernon, Tosha Followell and Mandy Holt.

Left: Nap time comes early in the choir room on Pajama Day.

Clair Bryan, Angela Reffett and Brittney Lane pose for a picture just before the music for the Homecoming dance begins to play.

Megan Scott glances to the side as camera flashes continue to try to catch her smile and excitement just after being crowned.



Kaitlyn Hayden, Abigail Trott, Andy Plummer, Tracy Walsh, Joe Buchanan, Stephanie Barr, Jeremy Painter, Megan Scott, Kendra Wright, Brandon Satterfield, Sarah Hendrix, Sean Harrington, Nathan Bradley and Frankie Foran.



Megan Scoot and Jeremy Painter take their practice stroll Friday morning of Homecoming Week.

Kendra Wright, Brandon Satterfield, Sarah Hendrix, and Sean Harrington smile after the court is announced.



Andy Plummer, Tracy Walsh, Joe Buchanan, Stephanie Barr, Jeremy Painter and Megan Scott all finally relax after the announcement of the King and Queen.



Joe Buchanan struts his stuff with style and flare.

Jennifer Brewer and Garrett Lane return to pass on their crowns.





Prom 2004 ~ Only you and me



Post Prom 2004



Class of 2004



Back Row: John Wright, Kendra Wright, Eric Staley, Eric Stevens, Tracy Walsh, Megan Scott, Jordan Swaim, Ar Plummer, Brandon Satterfield and Angela Reffett. Middle Row: Brittany Parr, Jason Perry, Andrea Harper, Mindy Kle Chris Lilly, Paul Foran, Ashley Magos and Sarah Hendrix. Front Row: Shane Barbee, Ashley Blickenstaff, Rosie Bak Tosha Followell, Jade Vernon, Tabetha Followell, Stephanie Barr, DeWayne Davis, Nicole Cornwell, Brittany Bens Kristen Cogdill and Joe Buchanan.



Speeches are given by Valedictorian Jason Perry and Salutatorian Kendra Wright.

Angela Reffett plays as the choir performs.

DeWayne Davis, Ashley Magos and John Wright all are extremely pleased to receive their diplomas.

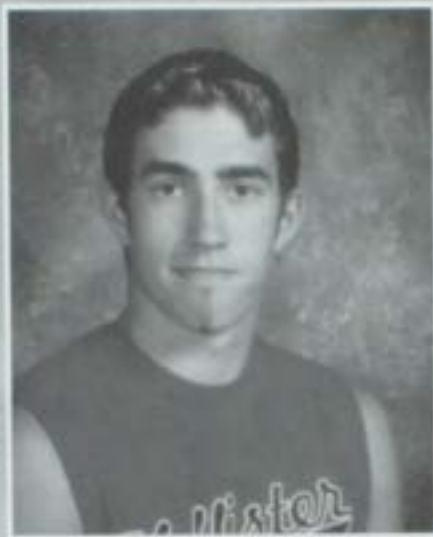


Senior Breakfast





Kimberly Baker



Shane Barbee



Stephanie Barr



Brittany Benson



Joseph Buchanan



Kristin Cogdill



Madeline Cornwell



DeWayne Davis



Tabetha Followell



Tosha Followell



Paul Foran



Andrea Harper



Sean Harrington



Sarah Hendrix



Hailey Huisinga



Christopher Lilly



Ashley Magos



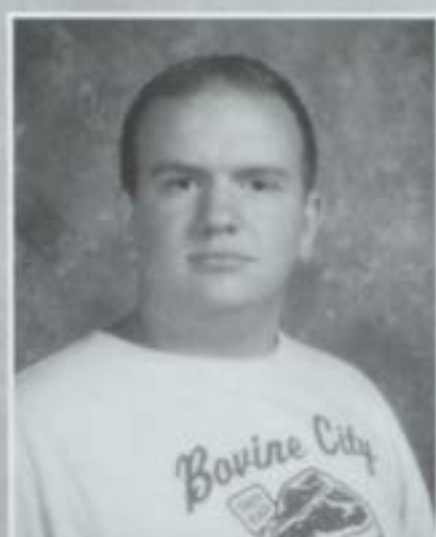
Kerby Mudd



Jeremy Painter



Brittany Parr



Jason Perry



Andrew Plummer



Angela Reffett



Brandon Satterfield



Megan Scott



Eric Staley



Eric Stevens



Jordan Swaim



Jade Vernon



Tracy Walsh



John Wright



Kendra Wright

~Shane Barbee~

Basketball 1,2,3,4 - Golf 2

~Stephanie Barr~

Volleyball 1,2 - Art Club 4 - FCCLA
3,4 - Homecoming Court 4 - STOP 3

~Joseph Buchanan~

Homecoming Court 4

~Nicole Cornwell~

Art Club 4 - FCCLA 4

~R. DeWayne Davis~

Football 1,2 - Basketball 4 - Track
1,3 - Presidential Physical Fitness
Award 1,2 - FCCLA 4

~Paul Foran~

FCCLA 1

~Andrea Harper~

Show choir 1- Jazz Ensemble 1 -
Spanish Club 1,2,3,4 - B-Club 1,4 -
Yearbook Staff 1,2,3 Class Secre-
tary 1,2,3,4 -

~Sean Harrington~

Football 1,2,3,4 - Basketball 1,2,3,4 -
Baseball 1,2,3,4 - Student Council
1,2 - FCCLA 1 - Homecoming Court
4

~Sarah Hendrix~

Basketball 1,2,3,4 - Spanish Club
1,2,3,4 - B-Club 1,4 - Student Council
1,2,3,4 - Scholastic Bowl 2 - Class
President 2,3,4 - National Honor
Society 2, 3,4 - Mu Alpha Theta
Vice President 4 - D.A.R Award 4
- Homecoming Court 4

~Hailey Husinga~

Volleyball 1,3 - Show Choir 1 - Year-
book Staff 3

~Christopher Lilly~

Basketball 1,2,3 - Art Club 3,4

~Kerby Mudd~

Football 1,2,3 - Art Club 3 - Studnet
Council 3 - Scholastic Bowl 3

~Jeremy Painter~

Football 1 - Spanish Club 1,2,3 -
FCCLA 1, 3,4 Homecoming King 4
- Lifesavers 2,3,4





~Jason Perry~

Football 1 - Jazz Ensemble 1,2,3,4 - Spanish Club 2,3,4 - Scholastic Bowl 2,3,4 - National Honor Society 2,3,4 - High Honor Roll 1,2,3,4 - Band 1,2,3,4 - Mu Alpha Theta

~Andy Plummer~

Football 1,2,3,4 - Track 1,2,3 - Spanish Club 1 - IT Club 4

~Angela Reffett~

Basketball 1,2,3,4 - Track 1,2,3,4 - Cheerleader 1,2,4 - Jazz Ensemble 1, 2,4 - Spanish Club 1,2,3,4 - Student Council 1,2,3,4 - Scholastic Bowl 2,3,4 - National Honor Society 3,4 - Band 1,2,3,4 - FCCLA 2,3,4



~Brandon Satterfield~

Golf 1 - Homecoming Court 4

~Megan Scott~

Volleyball 1,2 - Spanish Club 2 - FCCLA 2,3,4 - Homecoming Queen 4



~Eric Staley~

Art Club 3,4 - B Club 4 - FCCLA 1 - Scholastic Bowl 3

~Eric Stevens~

Football 1,2,4 - Track 1 - Spanish Club 2,3,4

~Jordan Swaim~

Basketball 4 - Golf 1,2,3,4

~Jade Vernon~

FCCLA 1

~Tracy Walsh~

Cheerleader 1,2,3 - Flag Corp 2,3 - Spanish Club 1,2,3 - B Club 1,2 - Newstaff 2 - FCCLA 1,2,3,4 - National Honor Society 3,4 - Homecoming Court 4

~Kendra Wright~

Basketball 1,2,3 - Cheerleader 2,3,4 - Flag Corp 1,2,3,4 - Jazz Ensemble 2,3,4 - Spanish Club 1,2,3,4 - B Club 1,3,4 - FCCLA 4 - Student Council 1,2,3,4 - Scholastic Bowl 2 - Class Treasurer 1,2,3,4 - Illinois State Scholar 4 - National Honor Society 3,4 - Homecoming Court 4



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dominate • rule • we are #1 • rule • we are #1 • dominate •

we are #1 • rule • dominate • the cream of the crop • we are #1 • rule • dominate • the best • we are #1 • rule •

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Ashley Buckenday
 Melinda Reid
 Shane Barbee
 Ashley Magala
 Stephanie Bar
 Megan Scott
 Hailey Husinga
 Ash & Wright
 Hannah
 Brittany Law
 Kristin Capill
 Jader Kennox
 Joe Buchanan
 Brandon Scatterfield
 Jakey Followell
 Audrey Harmon
 Madeline Nicole Comuel
 Paul E. Jovan
 Kardia Wright
 Derrance Davis
 Andrew Small
 Sarah Hendrix
 Jimmy Hunter
 Josie Balthus
 Justin Smith



Ms. Benzek's Homeroom

Back Row: Paul Foran, Andrea Harper, Sean Harrington, DeWayne Davis and Ms. Benzek.

Front Row: Tosha Followell, Sarah Hendrix, Nicole Cornwell, and Stephanie Barr.



Ms. Browne's Homeroom

Back Row: Jason Perry, Mindy Klien, Jeremy Painter, Chris Lilly, Brandon Satterfield, Shane Barbee.

Front Row: Joe Buchanan, Ms. Browne, Ashley Blickenstaff, Hailey Huisinga.



Mr. Taylor's Homeroom

Back Row: Eric Staley, Eric Stevens, Andy Plummer, Jordan Swaim and Mr. Taylor.

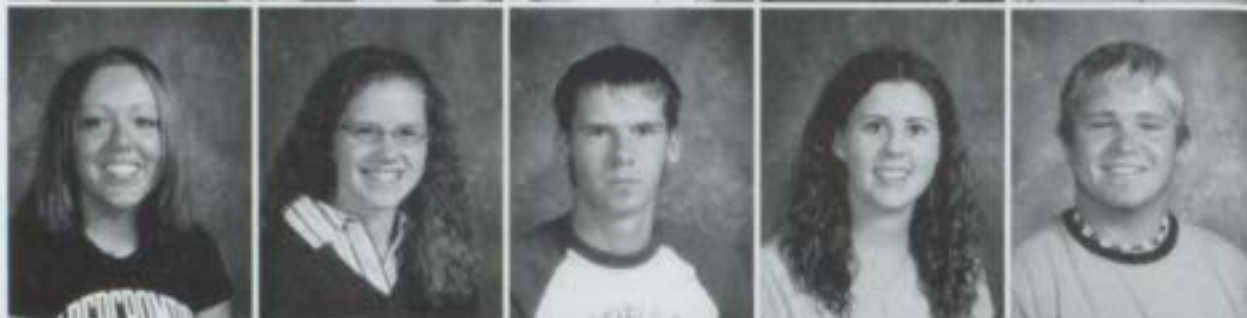
Front Row: Kendra Wright, Megan Scott and Jade Vernon.

Class of 2005

Hillary Allison
Sheena Appleman
Rachel Bates
Michael Bentley
Brett Boes



Tiffany Brackett
Julie Brewer
Kevin Briggs
Melanie Brine
Ryan Brittenham



Wesley Butler
Dylan Dalton
Zachary Frazier
Dylan Gallagher
Christina Gallman



Amanda Holt
Latosha Horne
Holly Humphrey
Justin Kelly
Rehann Lietz



Nathan Mayer
Monica Nagele
Toby Palmer
Todd Palmer
Christine Raad





Jacob Riddle
 Steven Shonkwiler
 Joseph Smith
 Salina Smith
 Daniel Stierwalt



Ryan Trott
 Jordan Turner
 Josh Wells
 Rory Wright



Class of 2006

Casey Brittenham
Blake Carson
Desiree Dodge
Tiffany Dodge
Kelly Harrington



Timothy Jayne
Ryan Klein
Nicholas Lust
Tasha Murphy
Leslie Pierce



Ashley Scott
Zachary Scott
Skylar Sebens
Katherine Shayka
Jessica Simmons



Heather Stephens
LaRae Wiekamp
Katie Wright
Darrin Lilly





Class of 2007

Heather Appleman
 Lisa Arndt
 Ryan Ashbrook
 Carissa Benner
 Steven Bramlett



Angela Branch
 Clair Bryan
 Matthew Cahill
 Matthew Cheek
 Amanda Clifton



Mark Cooley
 Sarah Cox
 Nickolas Dartner
 Zackary Dodge
 Carolyn Ensign



Tyler Fritts
 Ryan Hall
 Jennifer Hawn
 Matthew Hendrix
 Tiffany Horne



Jason Jennings
 Brittney Lane
 Leeann Lietz
 Ashley Matheny
 Corey Miner





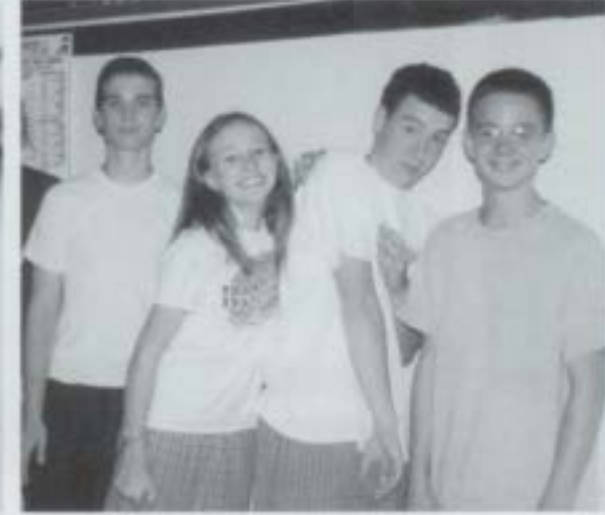
John Moreland
 Brooke Morris
 Sara Nagele
 Clayton Owen
 Samantha Phelps



Ryan Reffett
 Cody Schwartz
 Sarah Scott
 Jessica Sepke
 Brooke Shonkwiler



Daniel Summar
 Kyle Taylor
 Shawn Waskowiak
 Bailey Zech



The Administration



The Board of Education ~ Back Row: Jeanee Strack, Todd Scott, Steve Walsh and Jeff Funk. Front Row: Linda Lietz, Dan Bates and Gene Schnierle.



Dr. Darrell Stevens, Superintendent



Mr. Nyle Waters, High School Principal



Ms. Jani Hamilton



Mrs. Linda Craney



Mrs. Tammy Stierwalt

Support Staff 2003-2004



Cafeteria Staff: Vickie Hayes, Jamie Butterick, Louise Butterick & Julie Snyder



Mark Somers



Gene Slagle and Dave Guffey



Mrs. Kleven



Mr. Ward Dare



Matt Fay



Birch's Bus Service



Kirk Birch enjoys one of the many field trips and games he attends each year.



Debbie Shonkwiler

Bement High School Faculty

Jennifer Allen,
Vocal Music
Diane Betzek,
Mathematics
Penny Browne,
Resource
Susan Clark,
Health
Debra Eichelberger,
Art



David Elder,
Social Studies
Cathy Flood,
English & Tech. Prep.
John Hayden,
Physical Education
Jane Hendricks,
English & Spanish
Doug Kepley,
Instrumental Music



Kent LeFever,
Social Studies & Guidance
Melissa Pflum,
Science
Salli Pritts,
Librarian
Kraig Rogers,
Driver's Ed. & Phys. Ed.
Dave Salefski,
Industrial Technology



Donna Sharp,
English & Guidance
Merle Taylor,
Business & Computer Education
Jared Wolf,
Mathematics
Rebecca Zucco,
Family & Consumer Sciences



The Wonderful World of Learning at Park School



Photo captions from the top:
 Ms. Benzek contemplates just two more weeks of school.
 The teacher line-up is a familiar sight at assemblies.
 Mrs. Pritts looks happy and right at home in the library.
 Helga is a yearly visitor around Halloween for Ms. Pflum.
 Mr. & Mrs. Taylor light up the dance floor at the Prom.
 Mr. Salefski & Ms. Browne take a moment to relax at the prom.
 Ms. Allen caught in the act of checking her horoscope in the library.
 Mr. Rogers & Mr. Hayden try out the new benches.
 Mr. Wolf & Mr. Hayden cruise through the Homecoming parade.

High School Choir

Front: Brooke Morris, Clair Bryan, Tiffany Horne, LaRae Wiekamp, Heather Stephens, Tiffany Dodge

Middle: Nickie Dodge, Julie Brewer, Jessica Sepke, Jenny Hawn, Gar Summar, Jade Vernon, Hailey Huisinga.

Back: Amber Asbell, Sheena Appleman, Michael Bentley, Skylar Sebens, Wes Butler, Zach Dodge, Blake Carson, Katie Shayka



Marching Band

Front: Jerod Wells, Dusty Zettler, Justin Salefski, Matthew Harper, Joshua Sepke, Sheena Appleman, Mandy Holt, Brandon Zech, Angela Branch, Tiffany Horne, Kendra Wright, Sarah Cox, Ashley Matheny, Director Doug Kepley. Middle: Matt Foran, Blake Carson, Ryan Klein, Jordan Swaim, Cody Schwartz, Kyle Taylor, Nolan Bradley, Katie Wright, Carli Knopp, Megan Sheleto, Leslie Pierce, Brooke Morris, Clair Bryan, K. Clark, Katie Romack, Olivia Warren, Ashley Verrando, Regina Bates, Lizzy Pulido. Back: Sean Harrington, Nathan Bohanan, Bailey Zech, Lisa Arndt, Sarah Hendrix, Nick Lust, Ryon Reffett, Greg Woodard, Jason Perry, Josh Harper, Reid Craney, Jessica Simmons, John Moreland, Tyler Ablinger, Camren Smith, Drew Bradley.



Flag Corp

Angela Branch, Kendra Wright, Ashley Matheny, Sarah Cox, and Tiffany Horne



The Musical Side of Bement High School



Photo captions from top:

The Flag Corp finishes getting ready before the Friday night game.

The marching band entertains the crowd during half time.

Josh Wells wows the audience with "Me and You."

The high school girls perform "Diamonds are a girls best friend."

Ms. Allen helps the freshman ensemble practice "Wide open spaces"

Tiffany Horne and Ashley Matheny march in the homecoming parade.

Mr. Kepley directs the pep band during the boys basketball season.





Learning the basics for life



Captions for page 38

Matt Hendrix works on his self portrait for Spanish.
Salina Smith tries on the empathy belly.
Mrs. Flood's freshman class butterfly project.
Angela Branch and Christina Gallman in Foods.

Captions for page 39

Joe Smith and Steve Bramlett trace Kyle Taylor.
Stephanie Barr, Christine Raad & Megan Scoot show off their boxer shorts made in clothing class.
Mr. LeFever's class enjoys his humorous teaching style.
Keyboarding class takes a break with their sub, Mrs. Vezina.

Student Life



Student Life



Mrs. Kleven helps Clayton Owen during sixth hour study hall in the library.



Angela Reffett shapes the ear of her sculpture that will soon be a remarkable likeness of a boxer.



Above: Ryan Brittenham, Stephanie Barr and Kevin Briggs help out SOS with the grade school playground painting project.

Right: Sarah Nagele pulls back for a long toss during gym class.



Eric Stevens rolls through shop class in style.





Left: Toby Palmer, Kevin Briggs, Dylan Dalton, and Eric Staley pause briefly their diligent work on their CAD projects.



Shawn Waskowiak and Corey Miner wait for the basketball game to resume.



Above: Paul Foran and Darrin Lilly discuss the finer points of their creations in art class.



Left: Mr. Rogers 3rd hour driver's Ed class studies the rules of the road.

Below Left: Tracy Walsh admires Brandon Satterfield's looks with his new hair do in study hall.

Below Middle: Tiffany Brackett works on her blonde bombshell bobble head project.

Below Right: Zach Frasier, Stephanie Barr and Julie Brewer listen closely in IT1 class.

The Practical Arts



Wildcat Football



Above: Coach Hayden pumps up the Wildcats as the fourth quarter begins.

Above Right: South Piatt Wildcats rush out on the field for the game. Chris Lilly takes down his opponent.



Nathan Mayer runs the ball to gain yards on the play.



Wildcat spirit shines through as the Cats take on the Fisher Bunnies.

Wildcat rush to stop the play.



Eric Stevens contemplates the game.



South Piatt Wildcat Football

| | Us | Them |
|--------------|----|------|
| Illiopolis | 14 | 6 |
| Okaw Valley | 32 | 14 |
| Arthur- | | |
| Lovington | 8 | 31 |
| Arcola | 36 | 12 |
| Villa Grove | 6 | 17 |
| East Central | 6 | 13 |
| Cerro Gordo | 29 | 20 |
| Tuscola | 39 | 7 |
| Oakland | 48 | 6 |

IHSA State Playoffs

| | | |
|--------|----|----|
| Fisher | 35 | 13 |
| LeRoy | 33 | 0 |



South Piatt Wildcat Football

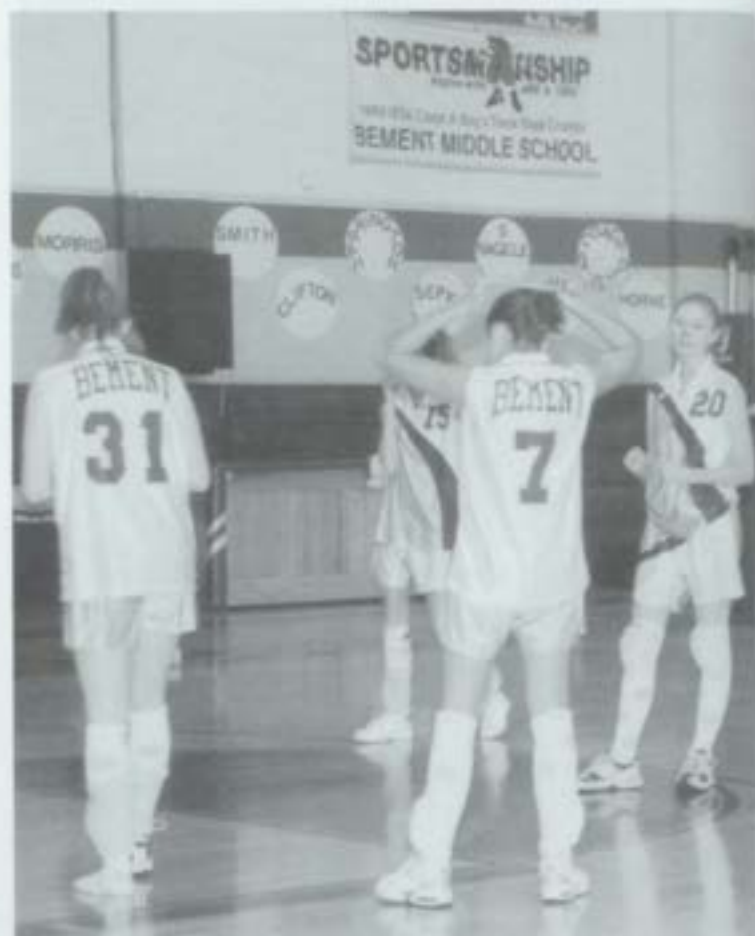
Front Row: Coach Hayden, Coach Wolf, Coach Lee, Ryan Hall, Blake Shonkwielier, Aaron Cole, Jake Riddle, Coach Bates, Coach Elder, Coach Lyons. 2nd Row: Matt Cahill, Clayton Owen, Tyler White, Tim Jaynes, Gar Summar, Ben Mann, Jake Garza, Jerod Lee, Shawn Hershberger, John Hershberger. 3rd Row: Kevin Briggs, Wes Butler, Joe Smith, Rory Wright, Nathan Mayer, Kevin Cooley, Tim Walker, Toby White, Skylar Sebens, Nick Lust. 4th Row: Eric Stevens, Mike Kistler, Ryan Brittenham, Justin Wierman, Andy Plummer, Mitch Hammel, Josh Arnett, Trent Thompson, Ricky Crist, Sean Harrington

Junior Varsity Volleyball
 Clair Bryan, Melanie Brine,
 Amanda Clifton, Carissa Benner,
 Salina Smith, Assistant Coach,
 Ashley Matheny, Coach Donette
 Watrous, Kelly Harrington, Jes-
 sica Sepke, Sara Nagele, Jessi-
 ca Simmons, and Tiffany Horne.



Carissa Benner goes after an out of bounds ball.

The Varsity team chats during their warm up time before the match.



Volleyball - Varsity

Clair Bryan, Brittney Lane, Amanda Clifton, Salina Smith, Assistant Coach, Brooke Morris, Coach Donette Watrous, Carissa Benner, Rachel Bates, Jessica Sepke, and Sara Nagele.
 Not pictured: Monica Nagele

| | Us | Them |
|-----------------|----|------|
| Cerro Gordo | 1 | 2 |
| Shiloh | 2 | 1 |
| LeRoy | 2 | 1 |
| Uni High | 2 | 1 |
| Atwood-Hamm. | 2 | 0 |
| Deland Weldon | 1 | 2 |
| St. Thomas More | 0 | 2 |
| Arthur | 0 | 2 |
| Villa Grove | 2 | 0 |
| Heritage | 2 | 0 |
| Cerro Gordo | 1 | 2 |
| Niantic-Harris. | 2 | 0 |
| Okaw Valley | 0 | 2 |
| Maroa-Forsyth | 0 | 2 |
| Tuscola | 0 | 2 |
| Arcola | 0 | 2 |
| Niantic | 0 | 2 |
| Cerro Gordo | 0 | 2 |
| Atwood-Hamm. | 2 | 0 |
| Judah Christian | 2 | 1 |
| Lovington | 0 | 2 |
| Oakland | 1 | 2 |
| Atwood | 2 | 1 |
| Shelbyville | 0 | 2 |

Kyle Taylor demonstrates the appropriate stance for a great golf swing.



The golf team appreciates the cheerleaders support during their season.



Bement Golf

Season Record: 0 - 10

Player Stroke Averages:

| | |
|---------------|------|
| Jordan Swaim | 52.8 |
| Zach Frazier | 55.8 |
| Ryan Klein | 56.6 |
| John Moreland | 74.6 |
| Kyle Taylor | 56.6 |

Zach Frazier set the school record for lowest 9 hole score with a 39 at Faries Park Golf Course in Decatur.



Golf
Ryan Klein, Jordan Swaim, Kyle Taylor, John Moreland, Zach Frazier, and Coach Rogers

Cheerleaders



Above: The cheerleaders position themselves to raise Brittany Lane during their half-time presentation.

Above Right: The South Piatt Cheerleaders work hard to keep the excitement level high as the South Piatt Wildcats take on the Fisher Bunnies.

Right Middle: Angela Reffett and Brittany Lane have complete faith in their teammates.



South Piatt Cheerleaders

Back Row: Julie Brewer, Heather Sawyer, Kasey Carrillo, Lacy Mitsdarfer

Front Row: Brittney Lane, Kristina Anderson, Clair Bryan, Jennifer Lust, Sara Nagele, Brooke Morris

Bement Cheerleaders work hard to come up with new and exciting cheers for half-time entertainment.

Angela Reffett's excitement motivates the team and crowd.



The squad poses to show their school spirit and excitement for the season.



Kendra Wright smiles broadly in hopes of rousing the team and crowd.



Bement Cheerleaders

Back Row: Latosha Horne, Tiffany Brackett, Julie Brewer, Angela Reffett, Brooke Morris, Sara Nagele
 Front Row: Kelly Harrington, Ashley Scott, Carissa Benner, Amanda Clifton, Brittney Lane, Clair Bryan and Kendra Wright

Bulldog Basketball



Above Right: Danny Stierwalt races to shoot the 3 point shot.

Above: Rory Wright pulls away from his opponent.

Nick Lust spins away to take his shot.

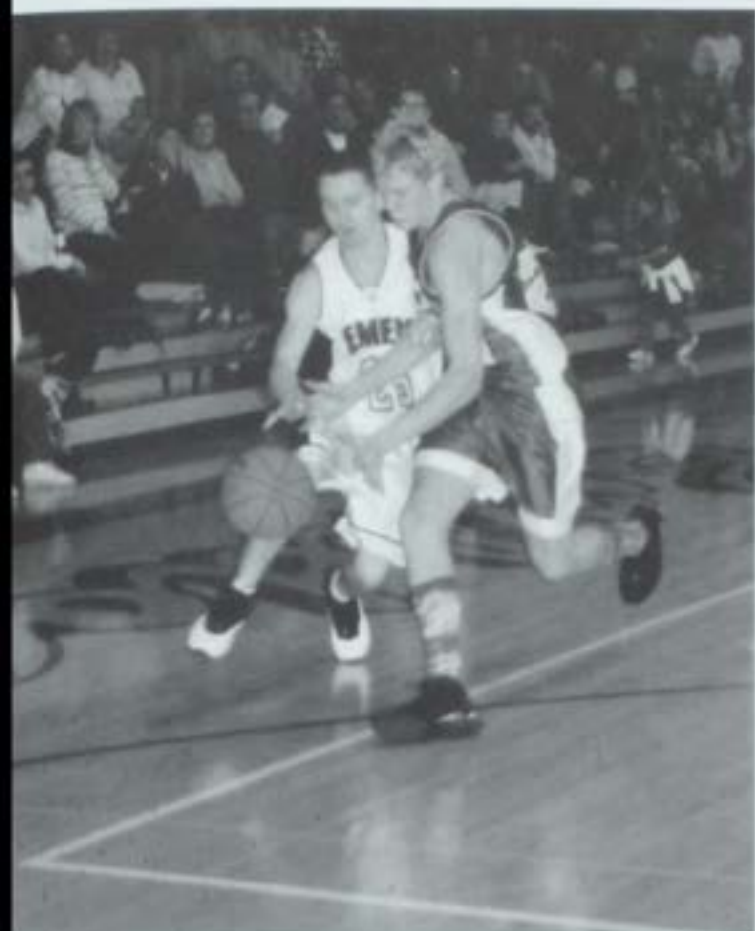


Shane Barbee edges past his opponent on his way to the basket.



DeWayne Davis steals the ball from a Decatur Christian player.

Blake Shonkwiler fights to keep possession of the ball.



Blake Shonkwiler fights to keep possession of the ball.

Wes Butler looks for an open shot.



| | Us | Them |
|---------------|----|------|
| Uni High | 50 | 52 |
| STM | 60 | 32 |
| Rossville | 50 | 65 |
| Deland | 61 | 49 |
| Cerro Gordo | 48 | 42 |
| Dec Christian | 54 | 57 |
| Argenta | 33 | 67 |
| Deland | 76 | 57 |
| Shiloh | 51 | 41 |
| St Joe | 27 | 61 |
| Monticello | 27 | 56 |
| Okaw Valley | 54 | 47 |
| Neoga | 51 | 72 |
| Villa Grove | 40 | 62 |
| Arthur | 33 | 58 |
| Heritage | 34 | 49 |
| Niantic | 42 | 65 |
| Okaw Valley | 44 | 59 |
| Okaw Valley | 31 | 50 |
| Shiloh | 40 | 59 |
| Tuscola | 29 | 62 |
| Arcola | 44 | 57 |
| Atwood | 48 | 40 |
| Cerro Gordo | 50 | 62 |
| Lovington | 41 | 76 |
| Oakland | 45 | 51 |
| Arthur | 34 | 63 |



Bulldog Basketball:
 Front Row: DeWayne Davis, Wes Butler, Tim Jayne, Jason Jennings, Kyle Taylor, Matt Hendrix, Michael Bentley, and Dariny Stierwalt
 Back Row: Assistant Coach Aaron Hines, Sean Harrington, Rory Wright, Nick Lust, Shane Barbee, Joe Smith, Blake Shonkwiler, Jordan Swaim, Ryan Trott, Head Coach Kraig Rogers.

Lady Bulldog Basketball



Above Right: Brooke Shonkwiler brings the ball down the court.

Above Left: The ritual pre-game huddle.

The Lady Bulldogs race down the court to set up their next defensive play against the Indians.

Ashley Matheny with her eyes trained on the ball.

Sarah Hendrix fights to keep the ball for the Lady Bulldogs.

Katie Wright puts the ball back into play.



Sarah Hendrix and Kelly Harrington move swiftly into the next play.



Lady Bulldog Basketball

Cerro Gordo
 Shelbyville
 Villa Grove
 Tuscola
 Cerro Gordo
 Arthur-Lov.
 Oakland
 Atwood-Ham
 Shiloh
 Niantic-Har
 Arcola
 Okaw Valley
 Heritage
 St. Thomas Moore



Lady Bulldog Basketball

Front Row: Kelly Harrington, Brittany Lane, Jessica Sepke, Brooke Shonkwiler, Katie Wright
 Back Row: Assistance Coach Glen Fletcher, Sarah Hendrix, Brooke Morris, Ashley Matheny, Nickie Dodge, Angela Reffett, Head Coach Heather Craven

Season Record:
1 - 21

South Piatt Baseball



Above Right: The South Piatt Wildcats huddle up between innings.

Above Left: Nathan Mayer at bat.

Above: Sean Harrington is prepared if the next batter makes contact.

Right: Nick Lust watches carefully and tracks statistics.

Middle Right: Joe Smith relaxes slightly after a bad pitch.

Right: The team chatters as a Sullivan player prepares to hit.



Blake Shonkwiler is ready for the pitch during the fourth inning.



Nathan Mayer and Joe Smith prepare themselves in the outfield for the next hitter.



Kyle Taylor intently watches South Piatt's next batter.



South Piatt Wildcat Baseball

| | Us | Them |
|-----------------|----|------|
| Sullivan | 3 | 13 |
| Villa Grove | 7 | 12 |
| Niantic-Harr. | 5 | 4 |
| Arthur-Lov. | 1 | 13 |
| Arthur-Lov. | 1 | 14 |
| Cerro Gordo | 1 | 11 |
| Okaw Valley | 42 | 1 |
| East Central | 7 | 11 |
| Tuscola | 4 | 14 |
| Arcola | 0 | 3 |
| Villa Grove | 12 | 13 |
| Niantic-Harr. | 7 | 12 |
| Cerro Gordo | 6 | 12 |
| Okaw Valley | 26 | 0 |
| East Central | 12 | 3 |
| East Central JV | 12 | 10 |
| Tuscola | 0 | 10 |
| Central A&M | 4 | 0 |
| Sullivan | 0 | 5 |



South Piatt Baseball
 Coach John Hayden and Coach Bill Lyons
 Jack Flombell, Kyle Taylor, Nick Lust, Joe Smith, Josh Arnette, Michael Kissler and Mitch Hammel.
 Sean Harrington, Blake Shonkwiler, Jared Lee, Nathan Mayer, Trent Thompspon and Blake Harney.

South Piatt Softball





Season Record
9 ~ 13



| | Us | Them |
|-------------|----|------|
| Sullivan | 1 | 9 |
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A South Piatt Softball photo was not taken.

South Piatt Track



South Piatt Track Highlights

BOYS

4th place at conference
Justin Wierman: Conference
Champ in Shot and Discus.

GIRLS

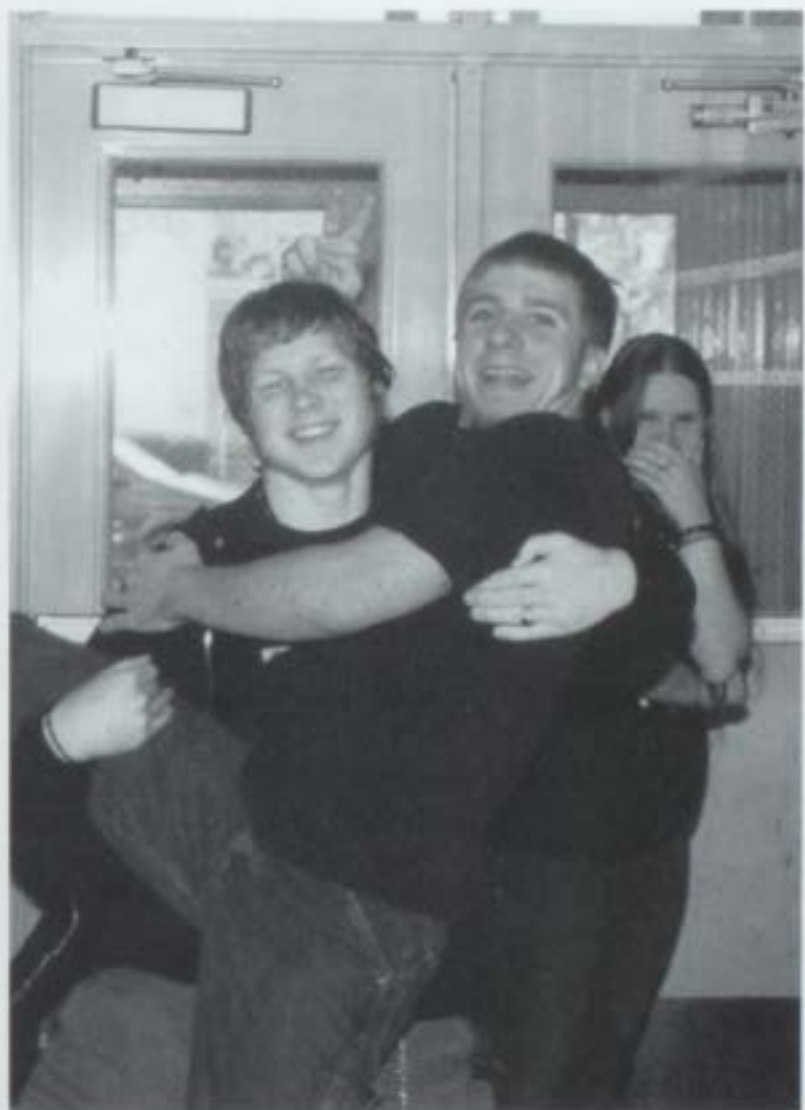
3rd place - Macon-Piatt County
2nd place - Conference
Lacy Mitsderffer - 100, 200, 400
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South Piatt Boys Track

Bement Team Members: Michael Bentley, Ryan Hall, Jason Jennings, Nick Lust and Shane Barbee.
A South Piatt Girls Track Picture was not taken. We appologize to the members of the girls team.

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Art Club ~ Mrs. Eichelberger, Advisor

Kevin Briggs, Skylar Sebens, Eric Staley, Stephanie Barr, Mrs. Eichelberger, Chris Lilly, Nicole Cornwell and Angela Reffett.



B-Club ~ Mr. Elder, Advisor

Shelby Lust, Nick Lust, Atlee Roghan, Jason Jennings, Julie Brewer, Carli Kopp, Lauren Hinton, Noelle Horne, Carolyn Ensign, Ashley Jennings, Andrea Harper, Rachel Bates, Jessica Simmons, Nickie Dodge, Colin Auth, Katie Wright, Sarah Hendrix, Tim Jayne, Regina Bates, Kendra Wright, Leslie Pierce, Kelly Harrington and Carissa Benner.



Industrial Technology Club ~ Mr. Salefski, Advisor

Sean Harrington, Andy Plummer, Dylan Dalton, Jeremy Painter, Mr. Salefski, Joe Buchanan, Eric Staley, Jacob Riddle, Chris Lilly, Kevin Briggs, Gar Summar, Blake Carson, Blake Shonkwiler and Katie Shayka.



National Honor Society ~ Mrs. Flood, Advisor

Back: Nathan Mayer, Joe Smith, Ryan Brittenham, Nick Lust, Ryan Trott and Mandy Holt. Front: Melanie Brine, Monica Nagele, Jason Perry, Angela Reffett, Katie Wright, Salina Smith, Leslie Pierce, Kendra Wright, Tracy Walsh. Second Picture: Yearbook staff apologizes, our pictures were blurred. Mrs. Flood, Sarah Hendrix and Rachel Bates.

F.C.C.L.A.

Back Row: Rachel Bates, Bailey Zech, Angela Branch, Brooke Shonkwiler, Sarah Nagele, Carissa Benner, Jessica Sepke, Ashley Matheny, Brook Morris, Matt Hendrix, Megan Scott, Jason Jennings, Kyle Taylor, Julie Brewer, Christina Gallman, Christine Raad, Nickie Dodge, Stephanie Barr, DeWayne Davis, Ryan Trott, Jessica Simmons, Amanda Clifton, Mrs. Zucco, Tiffany Dodge.

Front Row: Kelly Harrington, Clair Bryan, Katie Wright, Angela Reffett, Nicole Cornwell, Leslie Pierce



Math Club

Back Row: Ms. Benzek, TAD Fritts, Steve Bramelett and Jason Perry

Front Row: Nickie Dodge, Sarah Hendrix, and Kendra Wright



Scholastic Bowl

Front Row: Steve Bramlett, Nickie Dodge and Sheena Appleman.

Middle Row: Leeann Lietz, Tiffany Horne, Jenny Hawn, Jessica Sepke, Heather Appleman, Lisa Arndt, and Ms. Pflum.

Back Row: Shawn Waskowiak, Ashley Matheny, Joe Smith, Nick Lust, Jason Perry, Gar Summar, and Ryan Trott.



FCCLA, Math Club & Scholastic Bowl



Top Left: Joe Smith waits his turn while Nick Danner and Darrin Lilly try to pass a Life Saver using straws only.

Middle Left: FCCLA members bring in a record amount of food collected from the community.

Top Right: Tiffany Horne, Lisa Ardnt, Ashley Matheny and Nickie Dodge get comfortable using the buzzer during a Scholastic Bowl practice.

Middle Right: Kerby Mudd and Eric Staley work quickly to try to solve the tanagram puzzle, the final puzzle of Math Appreciation Week, unfortunately none of the competing teams were able to complete the puzzle.

Bottom Left: Jessica Sepke and Jenny Brown look on as Sheena Appleman, Jason Perry and Nick Lust practice for their first Scholastic Bowl meet.

Bottom Right: Ms. Benzek helps Nickie Dodge with an activity during a monthly Math Club meeting in the High School Library.

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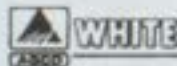
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Love,
Mom & Dad



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Good Luck!

Love, Mom & Kenneth



Dear Eric,
Use your knowledge, experience, and determination - and you can achieve your goals in life.

We love you,
Dad, Mom & Mollie

Congrats Megan!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Sarah & Michael





**Congratulations
Andy!**

We are really proud
of you. Hope all
your dreams come
true.

We love you!
Mom & Dad

*Kristin,
Congratulations, you finally made
it! Good luck in whatever you do.
Follow your dreams.*

Angela we are all so
proud of you. We
know you'll go on to
become a lawyer, if
anyone can do it, it will
be you. You are a
smart & beautiful
young lady that has
what it takes to go far.
We are proud that you
are our daughter and
we love you very much.

Mom, Jeff &
brothers and sisters



Never stop believing. Never stop dreaming.
Set your goals high and never stop reaching for
them. You are a very special young lady. I am
so very proud of you.

Much love & luck!!
Mom

**Congratulations Kendra
and
the Class of 2004.**

Best Wishes for success.
Mom, Dad, Katie and Konnor

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Tad Fritts, Sheena Appleman, Leeann Lietz and Shawn Waskowiak work hard to agree on which pictures should be used on the pages they are working on.

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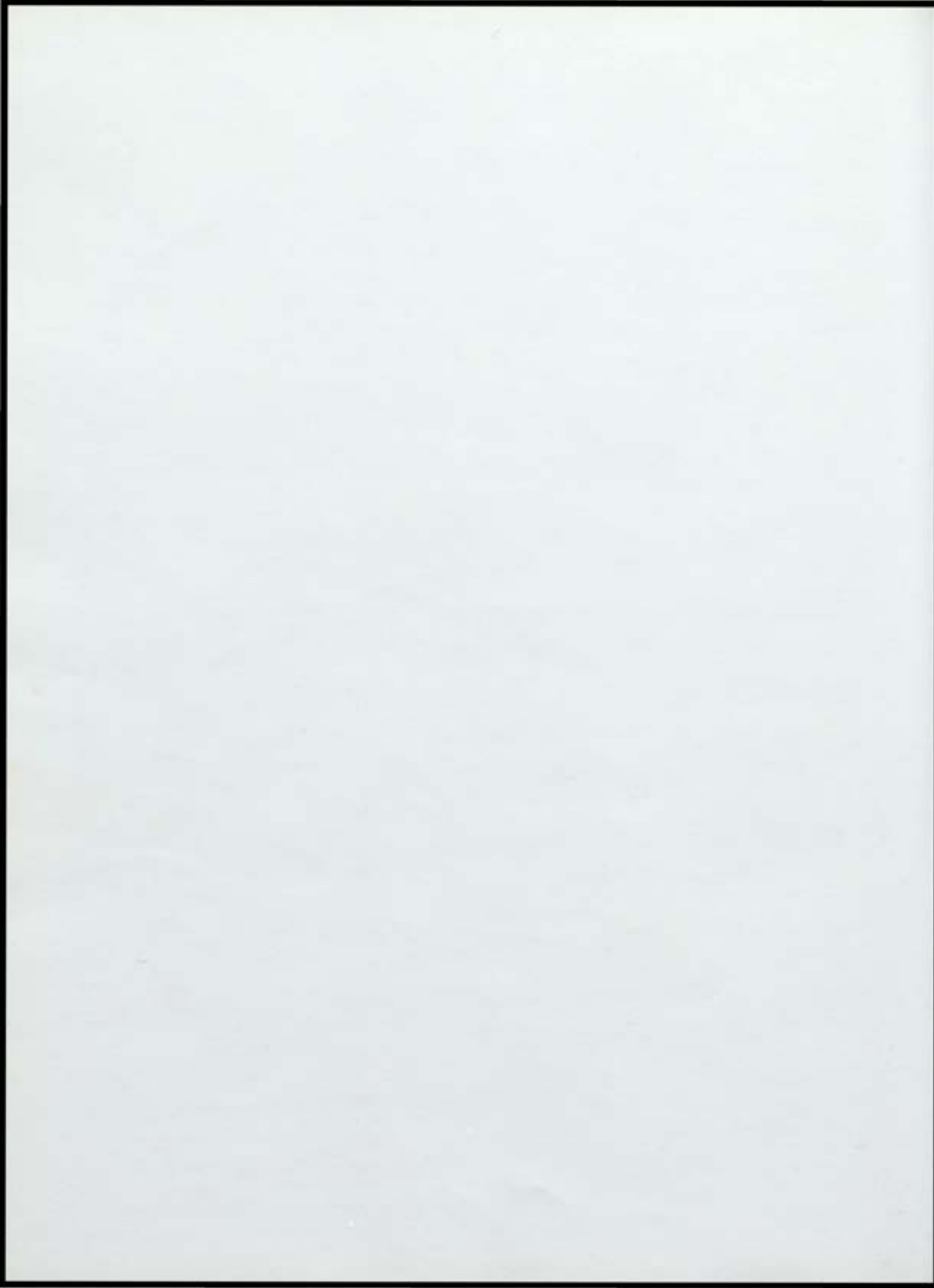
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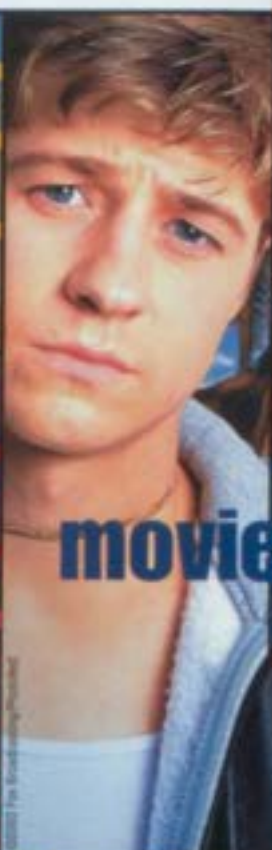
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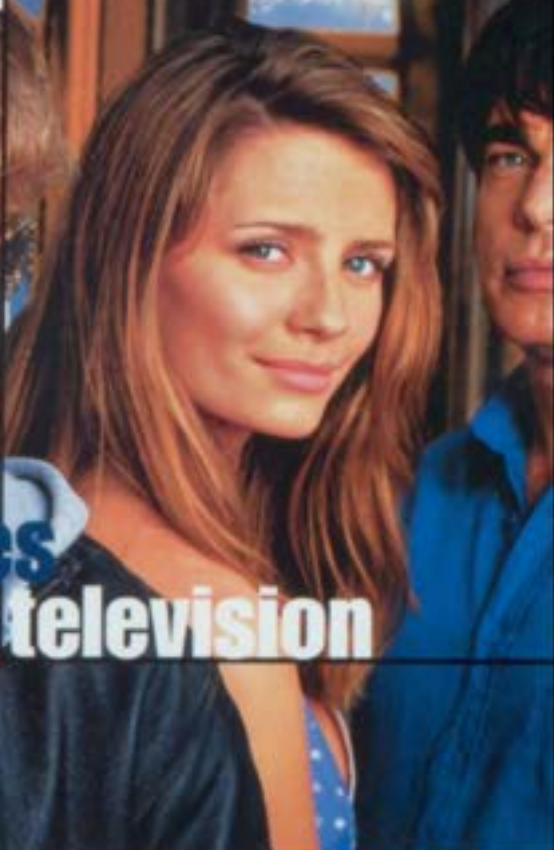
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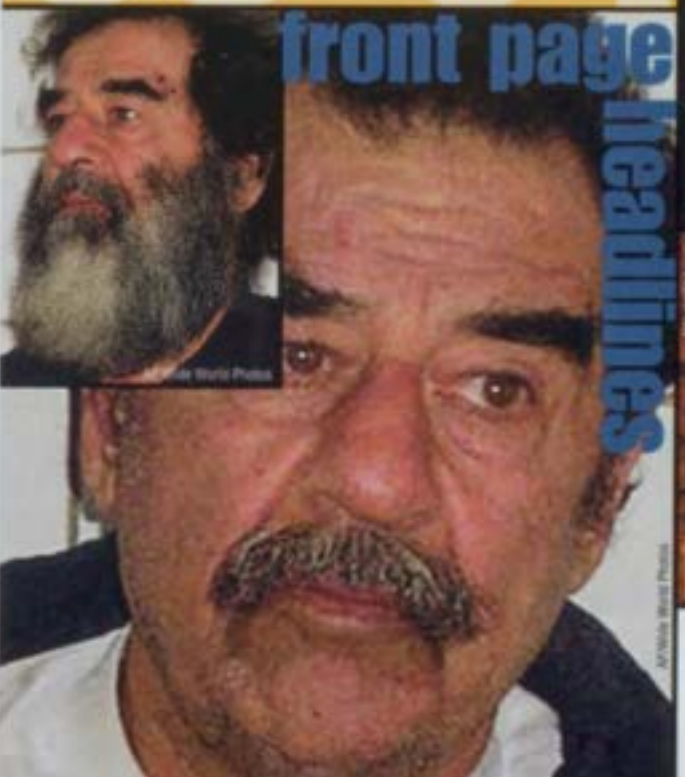
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front page



U.S. Forces capture deposed Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein in a "spider hole" at a farm outside his hometown of Tikrit.



← A fatal Staten Island Ferry crash in New York harbor leaves 10 dead and dozens injured after the pilot loses consciousness and stalls into the dock.



← NBA star Kobe Bryant of the Los Angeles Lakers is charged with the sexual assault of a 19-year-old Colorado woman.



← A federal appellate court orders the removal of a Ten Commandments monument from the Alabama Supreme Court building, citing violation of the First Amendment.

→ In October, the Federal Trade Commission initiates the National Do Not Call Registry to minimize the number of telemarketing calls consumers receive.



→ President Bush becomes the first U.S. president to visit Iraq when he makes an unannounced Thanksgiving visit with troops stationed there.



→ The abduction of University of North Dakota student Dru Sjodin, 22, results in the arrest of convicted sex offender Alfonso Rodriguez Jr., 50.



flash

The economy shows signs of recovery when the Dow Jones Industrial Average tops 10,000 points for the first time in over 18 months on December 12.



The worst wildfires in California history claim 22 lives, destroy more than 3,400 homes and consume 750,000 acres of land.



→ Michael Jackson is arrested on multiple counts of child abuse after an accusation from a 12-year-old boy.



UPI/Landow

→ The Center for Disease Control and Prevention declares obesity an American epidemic, with 64 percent of the population overweight.



U.S. Army Pfc. Jessica Lynch, a POW of the war in Iraq, becomes a media sensation after her rescue by U.S. Forces is aired on the news.



Mark J. Terrill/AP/Wide World Photos

← Action star Arnold Schwarzenegger replaces Gray Davis as governor of California in a highly publicized recall election.

Headlines

← Americans rush to receive vaccinations as the country is hit hard by a new strand of the influenza virus.

Larry Stouffer/Reuters NewsMedia Inc./Corbis

MEDICARE



↑ President Bush signs a controversial bill calling for a \$400 billion Medicare overhaul.

← Scott Peterson stands trial on murder charges in the slaying of his pregnant wife, Laci, and their unborn son.



Tommy Spangler/Reuters



On August 14, the largest North American blackout occurs when three Ohio line failures leave more than 50 million people in eight states and Canada without power.



GLOBAL



← A European heat wave in August claims more than 19,000 lives, making it one of the world's deadliest hot-weather disasters.



← The World Health Organization reports that severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) infected more than 8,000 people in over 25 countries, killing 700.



On May 1, 43 days after the war in Iraq began, President Bush declares "major combat operations in Iraq have ended." As hundreds of thousands of U.S. and British forces remain to restore peace and deliver aid to Iraqi citizens, more soldiers are killed in the months after the war than during it.



← An Economic Community of West African States peacekeeping coalition ends 14 years of fighting between Liberian rebels and government forces, sending tyrant Charles Taylor into exile.

global

→ Around the world, "flash mobs" — large groups of people recruited by anonymous organizers via the Internet — gather, perform a wild act and quickly disperse.



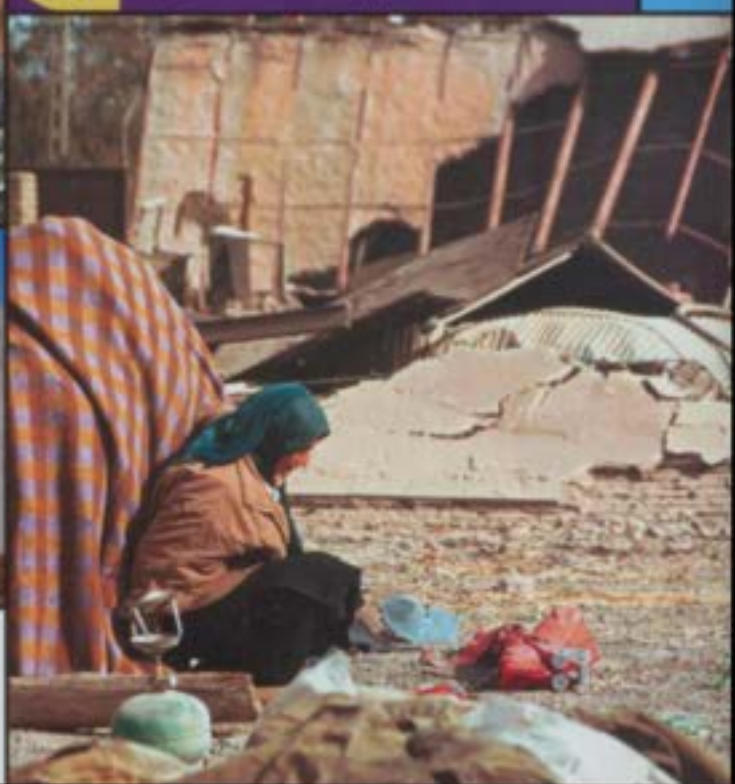
→ In a dramatic six-day ordeal, rescue workers save 44 of 46 Russian miners trapped in a water-filled coal mine.



→ Tens of thousands of Palestinians are cut off from family and livelihoods when Israel builds a concrete barrier beyond the cease-fire line in an effort to curtail Palestinian terrorist activities.



On December 26, a devastating earthquake measuring 6.6 on the Richter scale strikes the Iranian city of Bam, killing more than 41,000 people.



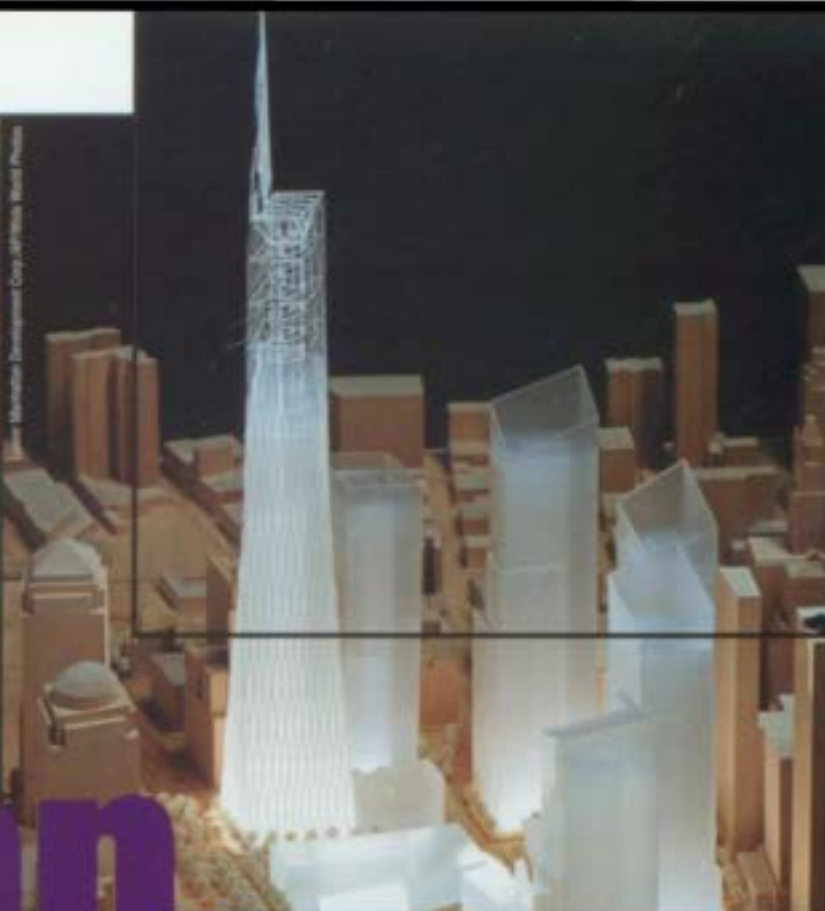
→ During the summer of 2003, low-risk prison inmates help battle Southern California's wildfires for only \$1 an hour.



→ At a St. Louis dog shelter, Cain, a one-year-old mutt, survives tranquilization and a trip to the gas chamber and is then adopted by the animal shelter owner.



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The world's tallest structure—a 1,776-foot spire—anchors a memorial entitled "Reflecting Absence," which is chosen to fill the World Trade Center site.

human interest



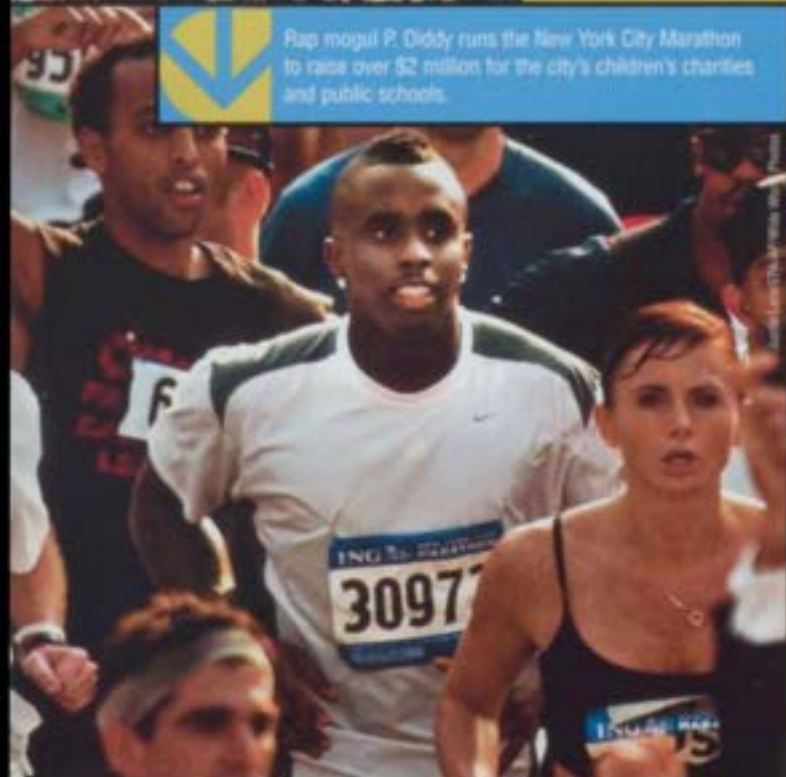
← Comedian Robin Williams travels to Baghdad to lighten the spirits of U.S. troops as he kicks off a holiday tour of U.S. bases in the Middle East.



← While aboard the International Space Station, Russian cosmonaut Yuri Malenchenko marries his American girlfriend by video link in the first "space wedding."



Rap mogul P. Diddy runs the New York City Marathon to raise over \$2 million for the city's children's charities and public schools.

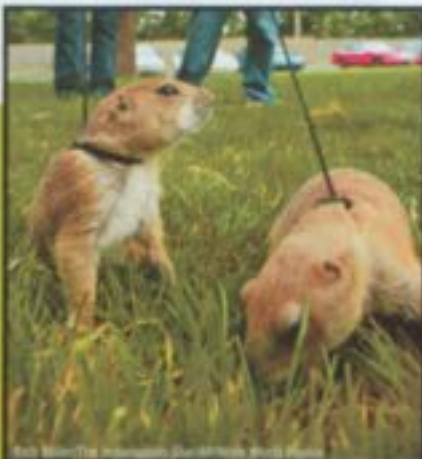


↑ Iranian lawyer Shirin Ebadi wins the 2003 Nobel Peace Prize for human rights activism as she fights to improve the status of refugees, women and children in Iran.



← Golfer Tom Watson donates his \$1 million Charles Schwab Cup winnings to fund research for Lou Gehrig's disease, which has stricken his caddy, Bruce Edwards.

→ In June, pet prairie dogs in Wisconsin, Illinois and Indiana infect people with monkeypox after being infected by a giant Gambian rat while in transit.



→ Federal workers in Washington kill a herd of 449 calves that include the offspring of a Holstein infected with mad cow disease.



Hurricane Isabel knocks out power to more than 3.5 million people as it wreaks havoc on the nation's eastern seaboard.

nature



← North American trees are threatened by Asian longhorned beetles, which allegedly arrived in Chinese wooden packing material.



← In August, Mars' orbit brings it closer to Earth than it has been in 60,000 years.



The strongest solar storms to hit the Earth in 11 years cause northern lights to appear as far south as Texas.



↑ American scientists discover the deterioration of the atmosphere's ozone layer is slowing. The 1996 worldwide ban on CFC gases is credited for the improvement.

← Keiko, star of the *Free Willy* movies, dies of pneumonia at the age of 27.

John W. Cronin/AP Wire World Photos

trends

TRENDS



The "Laverne and Shirley" look becomes fashionable again in the retro monogram clothing and accessory trend.

→ Girls get into breakdancing at events like the Queen B Breakgirl competition in San Diego, the country's biggest female breakin' competition.

↓ With the resurgence of '80s-style rock music, '80s clothing styles make a comeback of their own.

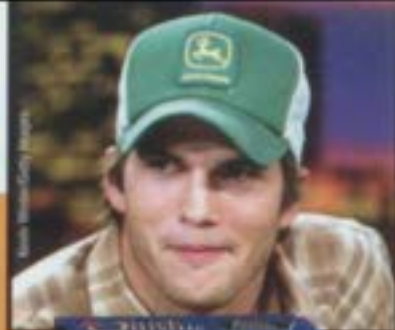


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↑ The year's hottest foot fashion is the Australian-made Ugg boot, which stays cool in heat and warm in cold.



← Celebrities like FOX's "That '70s Show" star Ashton Kutcher make the "trucker hat" a fashion must-have.

← The country goes low-carb diet crazy, with dieters demanding food products and menu items with fewer carbohydrates.



← Popularized by music stars like Busta Rhymes and J.Lo, track suits are seen everywhere.



American teenagers take up knitting and form knitting clubs at many schools across the country.





↑ The College Entrance Examination Board develops a revision of the SAT that tests for increased vocabulary and writing skills.



↑ Drivers find a spacious but expensive ride in the General Motors Hummer H2. In response to criticism, GM promises to release a more fuel-efficient version in the future.



↑ The pint-sized MINI Cooper, by Motorwerks, starts a European auto revolution on U.S. streets.



← To improve lunch and vending machine nutritional values, the U.S. Department of Agriculture issues tougher regulations for American schools.

lifestyle



← Avon, the world's largest direct seller of beauty products, introduces mark — a new cosmetic line intended for teens to sell.



↓ Affordable, over-the-counter teeth whitening kits leave consumers smiling, as they no longer have to visit the dentist for this cosmetic procedure.

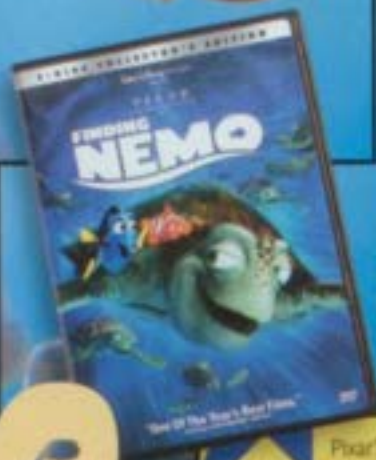


↑ In an effort to thwart counterfeiters, the U.S. Treasury releases a colorful new \$20 bill, with a background blend of blue, peach and green.



← A new study reveals the Top 10 most dangerous U.S. occupations. Lumberjack tops the list.

MOVIES



Pixar's *Finding Nemo* swims to the top as the highest-grossing animated movie and top-selling DVD of all time in the United States.



← Bill Murray gives a career performance in *Lost in Translation*, from director and Golden Globe-winning screenwriter Sofia Coppola.



← Will Ferrell continues his comedic success in the heartwarming holiday hit *Elf*.



← Heartthrobs Johnny Depp and Orlando Bloom make Disney's *Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl* a swashbuckling success.

movies

→ Keira Knightley and Parminder Nagra get a kick out of breaking stereotypes on and off the soccer field in the British comedy *Bend It Like Beckham*.



→ The two most anticipated sequels of the year, *Matrix Reloaded* and *Matrix Revolutions* turn out to be major disappointments for fans and critics alike.



→ Tobey Maguire rides high in the successful summer flick *Seabiscuit*, nominated for an Academy Award for Best Picture.



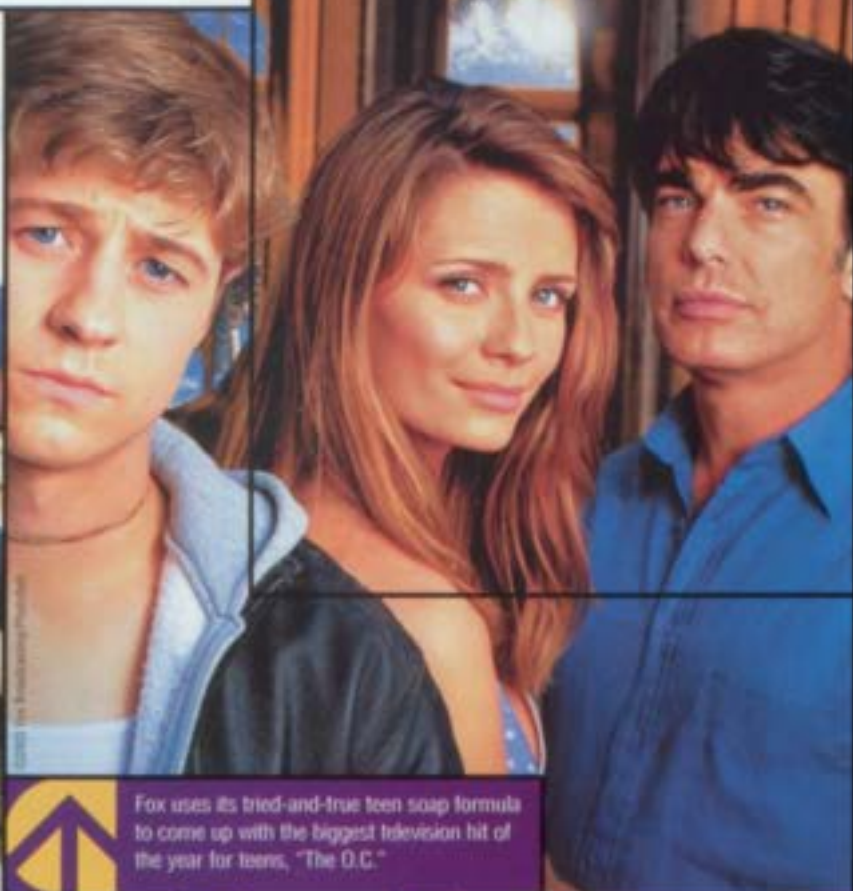
↓ Frodo and company complete their epic journey in *The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King*, winner of the Golden Globe for Best Picture, Drama.



→ The pulse-pounding CBS hit "The Amazing Race" wins the inaugural Emmy Award for Best Reality Program.



→ America bids farewell to the cast of "Friends" after the NBC sitcom's 10th and final season.



Fox uses its tried-and-true teen soap formula to come up with the biggest television hit of the year for teens, "The O.C."

↓ In February 2004, CBS airs "Survivor: All-Stars," starring past "Survivor" winners and contestants.

television



← Jessica Simpson, star of MTV's "Newlyweds" with husband Nick Lachey, makes entertainment headlines for mistaking Chicken of the Sea tuna for chicken.



↑ Famous for "Three's Company" and star of ABC's "Eight Simple Rules for Dating My Teenage Daughter," actor John Ritter dies suddenly from heart failure in September.

← "Alias" star Jennifer Garner earns high viewer ratings for ABC TV and lights up the big screen in *13 Going on 30*.



Shows such as TLC's "Trading Spaces" and Bravo's "Queer Eye for the Straight Guy" create a new niche for the home improvement TV genre.



MUSIC



Superstar Beyoncé Knowles stars on the big screen, releases a hit album, *Dangerously in Love*, and wins four *Billboard* Music Awards.



← The legal battle between the music industry and music downloaders prompts lawsuits and online music purchasing outlets, while driving CD prices to their lowest point in a decade.



← According to Nielsen SoundScan, 50 Cent's debut, *Get Rich or Die Tryin'*, is 2003's best-selling album, with 6.5 million copies sold.



← Songwriter John Mayer wins a Grammy in 2003 for the album *Room for Squares* and follows it up with *Heavier Things*.

music

→ The Neptunes' Pharrell Williams and Chad Hugo receive three Grammy nominations as a production duo. Williams gets three more for collaborations with Snoop Dog and Jay-Z.



→ OutKast's genre-busting album *Speakerboxxx/The Love Below*, featuring the infectious single "Hey Ya!," wins the Grammy for Album of the Year.



→ Country music legend Johnny Cash dies at 71, but wins three CMA awards posthumously, including Best Single for his remake of the Nine Inch Nails' "Hurt."



flash

Claiming that he has "had it with the rap game," Jay-Z, 33, retires after the release of *The Black Album*.



Coldplay claims the title of *Spin* magazine's Band of the Year, and the band's lead singer Chris Martin marries actress Gwyneth Paltrow.



→ In December, Rolling Stones' legendary lead singer Mick Jagger, 60, is knighted by Prince Charles.



→ Role-playing games like "Star Wars: Knights of the Old Republic" find mainstream success on consoles.



Cedar Point Amusement Park/Photo: Zaxxon.com

Cedar Point Amusement Park in Sandusky, Ohio, boasts the world's tallest, fastest roller coaster, the Top Thrill Dragster.

entertainment



← Pop diva-turned-author Madonna releases two children's books: *The English Roses* and *Mr. Peabody's Apples*. Her third book, *Yakov and the Seven Thieves*, arrives in late winter.

Two months after being mauled by a tiger, Roy Horn, half of the famed "Siegfried and Roy" wild animal entertainment act, is released from a Las Vegas hospital.



← Hugh Jackman of *X2: X-Men United* showcases his singing ability on Broadway in *The Boy from Oz*.

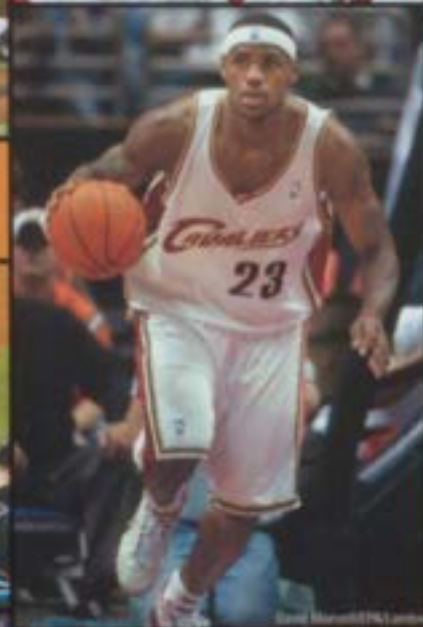
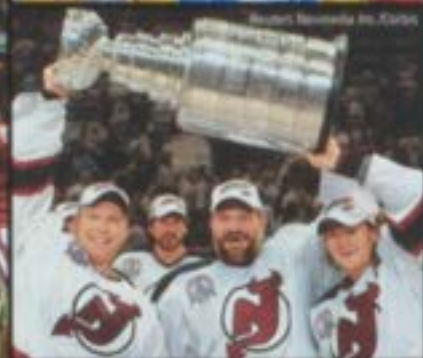


↑ On CBS's "Late Show" host David Letterman, 56, announces the November birth of his first child, a baby boy.

← After the success of his best-selling fantasy novel *Eragon: Inheritance*, author Christopher Paolini, 19, begins writing the much-anticipated sequel.



SPORTS



← Despite several crashes and severe dehydration, Lance Armstrong won his fifth straight Tour de France by a mere 62 seconds.

← Behind the defensive brilliance of goalie Martin Brodeur, the New Jersey Devils win the 2003 NHL Stanley Cup by icing the Anaheim Mighty Ducks 3-0 in game seven.

← High school phenom LeBron James, 19, is picked first in the 2003 NBA Draft by the Cleveland Cavaliers and enjoys instant success as a pro.

BCS computers fail to invite the nation's No. 1 team, USC, to the 2004 championship game. The Rose Bowl champion USC Trojans share the national title with the Sugar Bowl champion LSU Tigers.

→ Led by MVP pitcher Josh Beckett, the Florida Marlins beat the heavily favored New York Yankees 2-0 in game six to win the 100th World Series.



→ Tennis pro Andy Roddick, 21, also known as Mandy Moore's boyfriend, wins his first grand slam title at the U.S. Open in September.



In June, Michelle Wie, 13, becomes the youngest winner of a U.S. Golf Association adult event when she wins the U.S. Women's Amateur Public Links.

→ In September, Kenya's Paul Tergat sets the world record in the Berlin Marathon, running the 26.2-mile course in just 2 hours, 4 minutes, 55 seconds.



SPORTS

→ The New England Patriots defeat the Carolina Panthers 32-29 with a field goal in the closing seconds to win Super Bowl XXXVIII.



→ Due to a lack of revenue, the Women's United Soccer Association gets the boot after just three seasons.



Champion surfer Bethany Hamilton, 13, loses her arm in a shark attack. Just 10 weeks later, Hamilton places fifth in her age group at a National Scholastic Surfing Association meet in January 2004.



sports

← St. John's University coach John Gagliardi, 77, leads his team to an undefeated NCAA Division III Football National Championship while also setting the NCAA Football record for coaching victories with 414.



← Matt Kenseth claims the NASCAR Winston Cup Series championship, after leading the standings through a record 33 races.



↑ Freddie Adu, 14, becomes the youngest American pro team athlete in over 100 years when he signs with D.C. United of Major League Soccer.

Death-defying tricks and thrills bring the extreme sports craze to new heights at the January 2004 EXPN Winter X Games VIII in Aspen, Colorado.



← League MVP Tim Duncan and David Robinson — in his final game — lead the San Antonio Spurs to the 2003 NBA title with a 4-2 series win over the New Jersey Nets.

Faces



← In October, Mother Teresa of Calcutta is beatified by Pope John Paul II in Vatican City. This marks the final step before sainthood in the Roman Catholic Church.



↑ America loses three entertainment icons with the deaths of comedian Bob Hope, actress Katharine Hepburn and actor Gregory Peck.



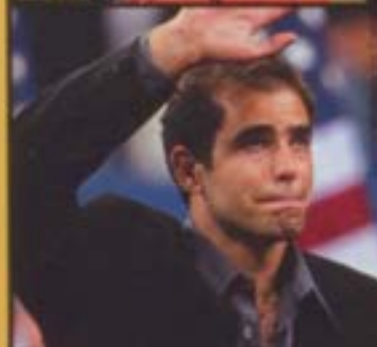
↑ The Pentagon releases decks of 55 cards to U.S. soldiers that feature the most-wanted Iraqi leaders. Dictator Saddam Hussain is the Ace of Spades.

faces

→ In his first of a number of trials in several states, a Virginia jury sentences D.C. area sniper Lee Boyd Malvo, 18, to life without parole.



→ After winning 64 career titles, including 14 grand slam events, and a record six years ranked No. 1, tennis great Pete Sampras retires at the U.S. Open in August.



→ Teen star Hilary Duff tops off her successful movie debut, *The Lizzie McGuire Movie*, with a hit pop album, *Metamorphosis*, and a nationwide tour.



↓ After being abducted for nine months, Elizabeth Smart is rescued and returns home in March 2003. Her story is made into a TV movie that airs later in the fall.



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