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A bonding school, a growing body. Shown here is the southeast corner of the current high school. This is the last year this building will be big enough to accommodate this population. Due to the passing of the bond and massive growth, the high school will expand into the old middle school building as the current middle schoolers move into their new building.

Connecting the pieces of the puzzle. Common bonds unite activities, classes, clubs and teams together, connecting our spirited student body.

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'Piecing it all Together' was a theme conceived to display the unity and togetherness of Lincoln High School. It was chosen to show that we are a whole body. A body cannot function without All the pieces within.

Piecing It All Together

much like a puzzle. A lot of changes took place, with one main goal for Lincoln in the year 2001— to become closer and stronger by working Together.

A class that cheers together, wins together. The members of the junior class put their voices together to help cheer for their classmates. This proves that even a crowd can work together.

Two bodies are stronger than one. Putting their strength together, Jack Brown ’02 and Kristin Husty ’02 try their hardest to help win the Tug-O-War. This is a true test of teamwork.

The newest class in 2001, Kenneth Henderson ’04, Matthew Brown ’04, Jonathon Guthrie ’04, Lisa Bulmer ’04, Melissa Mejia ’04 and Kristin Easter ’04 show that even freshmen help to piece together the 2001 school year.

By Kelly Stange ‘01, Editor-In-Chief
Student Life 3

It's what you did for six hours a day, five days a week, 36 weeks a year. It's student life; the whole year crunched down into one theme. Participating in spirit week, dances, and anything else that interests YOU! In student life, the student body comes together to create 'common bonds' to finish a task. Without each and every piece of the puzzle, we would be incomplete. Making new friends and attending new classes are part of this bond, creating memories that will last a lifetime, both in and out of school.

By Kelly Stange '01, Editor-In-Chief
Who? Students took a little time out of their busy school schedules to show some school spirit.

What? Five days of mayhem make up spirit week. Each day is a new theme. First there was Pajama Day, the only day when you can literally wake up and go to school. Then Color Day, show off their class colors. Wacky Wednesday, when students feel like long as it’s Hawaiian Day bringing an end to the school- and Gray week leading up Homecoming- Oct. 2-6. LHS campus. students a show off a little school and class spirit and have some FUN!

Spirit Week Winner: Senior Class of 2001

Which was your favorite spirit day?

"Blue and Gray day was my favorite, because we had the pep rally and it really showed our school spirit."
-Jack Brown '02

"Wacky Wednesday, because everyone gets dressed up wild and crazy. You see sides of people you never thought existed."
-Jill Pluciniczak '01

"Pajama day, because I didn’t have to get ready for school. Plus, I was comfortable so I could go to sleep in class."
-Anthony Young '02

By Brian Lucier '02 and Amanda Fisher '02
Whoa! Showing off their junior pride with painted faces and yellow shirts, Jonathon Houston '02 and Douglas Patton '02 say "Wwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwwww
Homecoming Court & Dance

Who? Students, dates, chaperones and Queen’s Court nominees attended.

What? The Homecoming Dance

Where? Lincoln High School Gymnasium

When? Saturday, October 7, 8:00 pm

Why? Homecoming is not just a dance.

Back that thang up! Getting down on the dance floor is Jessica Jackson '01. Jackson gets plenty of practice every weekend when she and her friends go to “La Boom”, a teen dance club in Walled Lake.

A Queen and her Court. Kymarie Allen ’01, Connie Fullerton ’01, Breah Whitlow ’01 and Candace Reynolds ’01 bestow the victory smiles.

A lot more as building Week and decorating dance itself. Students an to have fun and pride at the involved, such floats, Spirit participation for the It gives opportunity while at sch-show off their same time.

How: After preparations decorating the hair and nails up corsages, going to dinner, students arrived at the dance in pairs and groups. By 8:30, the dance was full and didn’t clear out until the last song was played. “This year’s Homecoming was more spirited and livelier than ever,” said Gail Stec ’01.

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“How the DJ played my favorite song for the last dance, because I was the queen.”

-Kyamie Allen ’01

“I will always remember our dinner party of twenty going to Kmart in our dresses and Alex Motts pushing Rudy Ruffer around in a cart! It was hilarious!”

-Karen DeGryse ’02

“That one kid who knew the Britney Spears dance. He had everyone going. He needs to be on “Say What Karaoke”!”

-Kyamie Allen ’01

By Timothy Penird ’02 and Amanda Thompson ’01
Presenting the 2000 Homecoming Court: Annmarie Nolan '02, Ashleigh Peoples '03, Adriana Eberbach '04, Desiree Sims '03, Tara Lore '01, Breah Winlow '01 (center), Candace Reynolds '01, Kymarie Allen '01, Connie Fullerton '01, Karen DeGryse '02 and Kristina Zielinski '02.

From start to finish. It takes teamwork, time and effort to put together Homecoming dances, thanks to Student Council. Each year Homecoming gets bigger and better than the year before. Top left: Kristina Zielinski '02. Top right: Tara Lore '01 and her date Ray Williams. Bottom left: Tammy Lawson '03, Brook Burba '03 and Abby Smith '03 hanging out at the dance. Bottom right: Molly Adcock '01 and her date Mike Ingrao.

By Timothy Penird '02 and Amanda Thompson '01

Busta move! Dancing the night away, Laquandra Cain '01 and Chelsea Poole '03 break it down on the dance floor! "Since this year was my last year at the dance I tried to have as much fun as possible and made a huge fool of myself," said Cain '01.

All together now! Shake it fast, but watch yourself, girls. Stephanie Ellis, Joanna Withrow '02, Debbie Hoffman and Sharmel Teall '02, show everyone what their working with out on the dance floor. The night was filled with much excitement, which continued long after the dance was over.
"A true friend is one soul in two bodies," according to Aristotle. Everyone wants someone to depend on, trust and relate to. "My best friend, Sarah, and I are friends because our personalities complement each other," said Tahirah Gray '03. A friend is a true gift.

But what happens when friendship something more? It’s easier to worry about if the friendship.

"I" word. LOVE! Some say love? Some say question that swerved. Others feeling you get care so much for a person that you can’t imagine yourself without them in your life. Whatever love means to you, it’s something special. So whether you have good friends or are "in love", building relationships is a very important part of school.

What do you think love is?

"When you really care about someone and can’t imagine them not in your life. When you would do anything for that person."
- Katharyn King '01

"Knowing you want to spend the rest of your life with that person. Dedicating yourself to him or her."
- Robert Robinette '01

"I think that love is the only true thing in this whole world. So if you find it, hold onto it."
- Brian Selter '02

By Kelly Stange '01 and Emily Nichols '01

A show of affection. Walking down the hall before and after school, you are sure to see dozens of couples, holding hands. This is a very popular sign of affection and friendship. Sometimes it is just a simple touch that shows how much you truly care about a person.
Tme friends are always there to help each other out, to lean on and to have fun. Paul Wanty '02, Stephanie Wallman '03, Roland Lynn '01, Danaya Peterson '01, Eirik Vitos '01, Stephine Dougherty '01, Sarah Lambert '03, Tahirah Gray '03 and Naomi Gates '03 all know what the real meaning of friendship is.

The Top 5 Couples at LHS*:
- Eirik Vitos '01 and
- Stephine Dougherty '01
- Jason Williams '01 and
- Rebecca Crews '01
- Wesley Potter '02 and
- Cherlynn Bayus '03
- Jeffrey Hampton '02 and
- Cristin Russell '02
- Mr. Derek Gonzales and
- Mrs. Kariana Gonzales

2001’s Top 5 Famous Couples*:
- Tim McGraw and
- Faith Hill
- Brad Pitt and
- Jennifer Aniston
- David Arquette and
- Courtney Cox
- Marshall Mathers and
- Kimberly Mathers
- Ryan Phillippe and
- Reese Witherspoon

*by student survey

The Top 5 Qualities That are Important in a Friend*:
1) Trust
2) Caring
3) Personality
4) Common Interest
5) Humor

* by student survey

By Kelly Stange '01 and Emily Nichols '01
What? Tattoos and piercings have become a common sight in high schools around the country, and Lincoln is no exception.

Why? Teens get pierced and/or branded with tattoos (tats for short) for various reasons. However, it all starts with being different, asserting individuality. Simply stated: being a rebel.

Where? Tats and piercings show up all over teen’s bodies. Stanley Roberson ’01 has his name tattooed across his stomach, but would “probably get it somewhere else” if he had it to do over. Roberson also has a pierced ear. He has plans for more of each.

Who? Many students, and some teachers, have tats or piercings, but one student stands out. Kevin Brunell ’01 boasts eight piercings and wants more, as well as a Celtic tattoo. “It’s a matter of taste and opinion,” said Brunell.

Rebel without a cause. This is the saying that comes to mind when you see the tattoo on Michael Oberle’s ’02 arm.

Ouch! Didn’t that hurt? This is a common question asked in the halls of LHS. Kevin Brunell ’01 shows off his variety of piercings. Stephanie Peterson ’01 presents her Tinker Bell tattoo proudly, while Richard Belisle ’02 sticks his tongue out for to show everyone his latest piercing.

Hole in 4?! No, this isn’t miniature golf. It’s Ryan Sparks ’02. He has a hole in each ear, a hole in his eyebrow and one in his tongue.

Keeping it simple. Deciding to keep it subtle but elegant, Amber Harris ’01 displays her tattoo. Just because you get a tattoo doesn’t mean it has to be extreme.

By Kelly Stange ’01, Steven Perkins ’02, Brian Lucier ’02 and Ms. Revord, Adviser
Struttin' your style! Khakis and layers are definitely seen often throughout the halls. Here, Tara Lore '01 and Steven Lore '03 show that they have style during homecoming.

What's on your tag? The top four favorite stores to shop at are: Abercrombie & Fitch, American Eagle, Old Navy and The Gap. These logos are quite popular with teens.

Go with the green! Teens like Kelly Stange '01 find themselves constantly looking through what seems to be endless clothing racks, trying to find the greatest outfit.

Lookin' Good! Even during a tough school day, Laura Portera '01 shows that looking good just comes naturally.

What? Fashion hits and nots. Old and new fads. Ins and Outs: "If it's hot it's hot, if it's not, it's not," said Amanda Alliston '04.
Where? Both in and out of school. All the top stores, companies and brand names. Wherever you look.

FASHION SHOW?

Whenever you may need new clothes or you just have to get "that new look".
Why? To achieve the look we want. Eirik Vito '01 explains, "I usually like what's hot, but sometimes there is something else I like."
How? However possible! Use your own money, as well as your parent's. Melissa Mejia '04 said, "If I am lucky, my parents pay, but usually, I pay."

By: Kelly Stange '01, Editor-In-Chief and Amanda Burton '03
The spirited student body
What? The pep rally, spirit week and hall decorating. The pep rally was a huge success, with the juniors beating the seniors for the first time in history. The three-day spirit week dwindled to very little participation.

Who? The juniors did well in hall decorating, but the seniors came out on top.

When: The pep rail was a huge success, "with the juniors beating the seniors for the first time in history."
The pep rally took place on Feb. 9, 2001. The posters used for decorating were made at school, but until Friday before the big game.

Where: Hall decorating was held in the hall-gym. The pep rally was held in the middle. To get the students pep up for the Cominghome game on Friday night.

Student's Thoughts On Cominghome Events:

"Juniors rule! We dominated the pep rally. I knew we would win from the beginning. The freshmen and sophomores had no chance and the seniors weren't expecting us to be so good."
-Michael Williams '02

"Next year, we'll do better. It was our first year, so we didn't know what to expect or how competitive the other classes would be. We did win the cheer-off though, so it wasn't all bad."
-Ryan Yargean '04

"Seniors can't always win; the juniors just got lucky this time. Everyone will still remember that the class of 2001 was the best, even though we didn't win the pep assembly."
-Stanley Roberson '01

By Jamie Edwards '02 and Jessica Butzin '02
The juniors work together to make their wall the best this year. Students decorated sections of the wall by the middle school gym instead of an entire hallway. "Hall decorating is a time to get together with your friends and have a lot of fun and also experience the thrill of competing with the other students in your school," said Lonnie Scott '01. The seniors won the hall decorating this year.

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The sophomores have high hopes for their class. However, they did not do as well as they expected. They plan to do better next year, claiming that they will win the Pep Rally and Spirit Week. Can't wait to see what happens!

These "kids" show their love for the school mascot. Brian Bond '04 dresses up like good ol' Abe, while Jon Riggs '04, Geoffrey Fontana '04, Thomas Lavery '04, Dawn Martin '04 and Laurie Hooper '04 have fun at the Pep Rally.

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Fun and Games. Hard work pays off for these students. Close competition gets everyone on their feet! The students enjoyed games like the orange pass, tricycle race, tug-o-war, cheer-off and wheelbarrow race, among others. Even the faculty got involved when the class sponsors hopped on the tricycles and spun their wheels! They also joined their classes for a free throw shoot-out, which the seniors won.

By Jamie Edwards '02 and Jessica Butzin '02
Who? Lincoln High School students, and their dates (whether they go to LHS or not) and friends. This year's Cominghome Court consisted of Joel Nolan '04, John McCue '03, Kenneth Gupton '02, Alexis Correa '01, Jason Williams '01, Aaron Brewer '01, Dante Herron '01, '02, William Fox and Andrew Poole.

What? The 2001 dance.

When? February 10, 2001; 8 pm-11pm.


Why? After a preparing for the basketball game, place to celebrate dance is the perfect ready for can be an all-dance, but makeup, the everything has Dinner usually the dance, but in some cases, afterwards. Then LHS students and their dates take to the dance floor to get their groove on, shake it fast, whatever comes to mind. We know how to get the party started--Right!

Cominghome King: Aaron Brewer

What was the best part of Cominghome week?

"The best part of the week was all the hype for the game and the pep assembly." - Anthony Young '02

"The dance had to be the best. I had lots of fun all night. Spirit week days were great, too. Pajama day was my favorite of all." - Steven Fifield '01

"I'd have to say being a representative of the Freshman class on the court was the best part of Cominghome week." -Joel Nolan '04

By Heather Ringrose '02 and Jonathon Houston '02
Dancing it up fellas! Dancing like crazy are Eric Houston '01 and Jason Hall '02. I was just there to have fun and that's exactly what I did. Dancing with Jason was a spur-of-the-moment thing...definitely not planned!' said Houston.

"Boys Will Be Boys." Representing the Lincoln High School Cominghome Court for 2001: Dante Herron '01, William Fox '02, John McCue '03, and Alexis Correa '01 are escorted across the floor at the basketball game on Friday by their mothers.

What a mouth full!
Before the Cominghome dance, LHS students enjoy dinner with friends at the Olive Garden. Joshua Alper '02 said "It was a fun night. I just feel kind of bad, I was looking so G.Q., I must have made my friends look bad."

Royalty on the court.
In the middle school gym, Aaron Brewer '01 takes a stand as the 2001 Cominghome King for the Lincoln Railsplitters.
"It was an honor to be named Cominghome King this year, it could have been any one of us," said Brewer.

By Heather Ringrose '02 and Jonathon Houston '02
Activities

Singing Their Hearts Out! Lincoln High School choir students practiced many long hours to get ready for the drama production of "Scrooge". The choir also put on many concerts throughout the year.

Showtime! The Dickens Christmas classic "Scrooge" is performed. Drama members spent long, hard hours rehearsing to put on a hit performance which garnered a standing ovation.

Getting It Right! The yearbook staff meets with a judge at the MIPA Fall Workshop at Michigan State University. The judge assessed the quality of the 1999-2000 yearbook, giving constructive criticism.

Showing that Spirit! The bands at LHS also practiced many long hours for numerous events. Here, the pep band hypes up the crowd at one of our home basketball games.
Ride ‘Em Cowgirls! Members of the LHS equestrian team "ride" in the Homecoming Parade. Equestrian is one of three club sports offered at Lincoln. The other two include hockey and lacrosse. Although they aren’t considered school sports, they work just as hard as any other team.

Extra, Extra! Read All About It! Kristina Zielinski ’02 and Amanda Fisher ’02 work on layouts for the Lincoln Pride newspaper. Students work hard to put out a great edition of the paper.

Activities

English, Math, Science... these are your basic courses of the day. But what ties it all together to form well-rounded students? Electives serve to provide outlets of interest for students. These are the classes that students elect to attend; classes which provide for freedom of choice and expression. Joining clubs and other activities provide the opportunity to bond and support our school, and each other, for a good cause. Without activities, our day just wouldn’t be the same.

By Heather Ringrose ’02
Mcapichu! Student Council members came up with a great idea to help get students more excited about the MEAP. They organized the door decorating contest and the winners received a prize of $50. One of the winners was Mrs. Minthorn's class, who decorated their door with Pokemon.

A helping hand. Molly Adcock '01 helps out the National Honor Society by hanging up signs for the annual Poinsettia sale.

Smile! Anna DeJesus '01 is all smiles, along with Mrs. Bertoos, while waiting to be inducted into the National Honor Society. This is DeJesus’s first year as a member of the NHS.

Look out below! Ms. Revord’s yearbook class sported a message plane dropping useful items for college as their door decoration for MEAP.

"Being in the National Honor Society makes me feel good to know that I have a positive effect on people's lives through the service projects that I accomplish."

Jill Pinter '01

"The thing that I like best about the National Honor Society is doing all of the service projects and being able to help out with different activities at school and throughout the community."

Laura Quashnie '01

"I think that it's really cool and fun to be a member of the Student Council. I get to be involved in a lot of the decisions that get made at the school in regards to dances, activities and so on. It's a great thing to be a part of."

Christopher Bielak '01

"I really enjoy being in the National Honor Society because it lets me be able to help out in the community and be a part of something that not too many people get to."

Andrew Poole '01

"I'm really glad that my father pushed me to join NSH because I have a lot of fun and really enjoy doing things in the community, plus it looks good on college applications."

Michael Zeoli '01

By Amber Harris '01
Welcome to the club. Kelly Williams '03 is welcomed to the National Honor Society by Jill Placiniczak '01. This is her first year in the NHS.

Fun in the sun. NHS members sure know how to enjoy themselves both in and out of school. Emily Lambros '01, Kelly Burba '01 and Laura Quashnie '01 have all been close friends and members of the National Honor Society since their sophomore year.

Congratulations! Erin Allen '03 is being welcomed into the National Honor Society by Mrs. Bertos.

Scooby-do! Student Council members Erin Allen '02 and Laura Portera '01 enjoy decorating Mr. Welch's door for the MEAP contest.

Food for thought. This year the Student Council spent two weeks before Thanksgiving collecting food for the homeless.

A Good Cause. Adam Czarnecki '01 gives blood at the National Honor Society's annual blood drive.

Sitting Pretty. Student Council members Shawn Brown '02, Enzade Beachem '01, Jason Williams '01, Lauren McParlan '02, Christopher Bielak '01, Jeanette Jayne '03, Kathryn Wright '03, Jason Brishnham '01, Samantha Mayville '01, Ezekiel Joubert '02, Laura Portera '01, Christopher Larson '02 and Rebecca Crews '01 gather together to begin one of their meetings.
Together they stand. USO members Ericka Cross ’02, Jasmine Frazier ’01 and Ka’shania Thrower ’01 stick together during spirit week. These girls are a really close group.

USO Pride! USO members show their USO spirit as they march down the street during the Homecoming Parade, which is held in October. USO is a good club for students to get together and do activities with each other and make new friends.

Riding high. Chalynn Fields ’02 practices her beauty pageant wave as she passes the crowd with her fellow United Student Organization members. She is definitely caught in the moment and has the pride that many USO members have.

Limo like me! We definitely know who is the coolest group in the Homecoming Parade. It’s got to be USO! Members Amanda Stumbo ’02, Megan Ransome ’02 and future USO member Chase Dixon ’04 hang out the moon roof as they cruise down Willis Road.

“I think that USO is fun because you get to be with your friends. You also get to work with kids and celebrate other minorities while educating yourself and others. I like to celebrate other culture’s holidays, too.”

Ezekiel Joubert ’02

“The reason why I wanted to join USO is because I wanted to give back to the people of the community and just the overall principle of the whole organization.”

Megan Ransome ’02

“Being part of Foreign Exchange was a great opportunity to get a chance to travel and experience a once-in-a lifetime opportunity. France is awesome, we learned a lot about the culture. I would definitely travel back to France.”

Lauren Burdette ’01

“I wanted my children and I to take part in the club to have a opportunity to travel. I thought it would be interesting to learn about another culture. My greatest memory will be the children I have hosted and enjoyed also my three trips to Germany as a coordinator.”

Mrs. Patricia Burt, Foreign Exchange Coordinator

“I decided to be in Foreign Exchange because it’s intriguing to go to another country and see that your morals and everything you learned can be flipped upside down.”

Nicholas Ingrao ’02

By Laquandra Cain ’01
Cultural Connections Promote Lifelong Unity

Diversity & Enrichment

Lincoln programs such as Foreign Exchange and United Student Organization (USO) cover topics in diverse cultures. Each program teaches students about the world surrounding them by enriching and enhancing the educational experience. Foreign Exchange offers students the opportunity to travel and learn about distant countries, while USO increases connections between the diverse cultures in our own community.

Magnifique! The exchange students visit an artist’s studio during their stay in Germany. With all of those smiles, there is no doubt a new Picasso will be discovered.

Zzzzz! Henrik Rang ‘01 and Justin Soest ‘01 catch a quick nap on their flight home. Soest is going to feel that in the morning. Sweet dreams, guys!

How pretty! This castle’s beauty catches the eye of many a tourist. Our foreign exchange group is no exception, as they take a closer look at the New Shawnstein Castle.

Wow! With all of this magnificent landscape to gaze at, who would ever want to go home? Wait, take a look at this beautiful castle on a hill. How would you like to live there?

Bonding in Bonn. The Foreign Exchange Students have a visit with the famous musician, Ludwig Von Beethoven.

Prepare to hit the books. Tania Snipes ‘02, David Rolls ‘01, Kelly Morawski ‘01, Amanda Thompson ‘01, Kelly McCue ‘01, Rudolph Ruffer ‘01 and Justin Soest ‘01 adjust to their school in Germany for the next two and a half weeks.

Break time! The group stops to chill in front of the cool castle known as New Shawnstein.

By Laquandra Cain ‘01
Sing it Loud! To everyone’s surprise, Mr. Rick Ross, former principal and current ninth grade counselor, joined the cast as one of the major roles in the musical Scrooge. He played the infamous “Ghost of Christmas Present”. Boy, can this guy sing a tune!

Encore, Encore! The townpeople in Scrooge, ecstatic with Scrooge’s overnight transformation, deliver a spectacular finale to an outstanding performance. Being in the musical not only requires acting talent, but the ability to sing and dance as well.

Places, People, Places! Participating in the One-Act Festival, Kristen Russell ’03, Taqee-Shahen Khabir ’02 and Dante’ Herron ’01, take direction from a student-director. This play, Jewels of the Shrine, was a big hit!

The Rise Of A Monarchy! A new king comes to power in Antigone. Lonnie Scott ’01 played the lead role, Creon, a middle-aged man with a leadership role like no other, who fought treason all across the land to bring peace to the town.

"The 'Scrooge' musical was really fun; it took a lot of hard work and dedication from all the cast and everybody that was involved. It also helped a lot that the community and school was very supportive."

Lonnie Scott ’01 (as Scrooge)

"Drama is very challenging, but it is worth all the hard work. In the end when it all comes together, it is a great feeling you get. In the middle of all the hard work, you get to meet some really great people."

Matthew Watson’01

"Practice took a lot out of everyone involved with 'Scrooge'. It took a lot of time and effort to get everything perfect for opening night. It is a challenge, but most definitely worth the work."

Eric Blake '02

"Drama has been the one thing in school that I can rely on for friends and fun. I’ve gained friends that I love, and I’ve learned that I’m very good at things that I never even thought about before. Don’t be afraid to try out for drama."

Erin Tate ‘02

"Drama has presented itself to me with many challenges throughout my time here at Lincoln High School, and it has helped me as an individual make me who I am today and tomorrow."

Sara Wachtmann ‘02
The Drama Department, which consists of both the drama classes and drama club, works extremely hard to put on both a musical and a play each year. Under the direction and leadership of Mr. Martin Jacobs, this year’s agenda included *Scrooge* and *Antigone*. In addition to these major productions, each year the Drama Club manages to fit in the One-Act Festival (in which students direct the short plays), the annual Children’s Show and an All-School Talent Show. Every production requires extensive rehearsal, choreography and set design.

**Got Spirit Anyone?**

Ghostly apparitions adorn the Lincoln stage. Daniel Douglas ’01 and Lonnie Scott ’01 act with spooky accuracy.

**Home Sweet Home.**

As the Cratchitts sit down for dinner, they take a moment to be thankful for what they have and the life that was given to them.

**Caught in a Moment.** The sweat was just a-pourin’ down as Erin Allen ’02 and Jeffrey Burden ’01 hold on tight.

**En Garde!** Battling to the death, as Matthew Watson ’01 plays the soldier and Ruth Dunstan ’02 plays the citizen in a fight for justice. This was a key scene in *Antigone*.

**At Center Stage!** Drama students perform with, and teach, middle school students as Bethany Michowski, Eric Blake ’02 and Briana Smith act with style and grace.

**Putting it all together.** Check out this showcase put together by the IHS Drama Department. Now that’s creative.

**United As One.** Singing and dancing along in a wonderful display of togetherness, Jeffrey Burden ’01 and Sara Wachtmann ’02 show their great abilities to work and get the job done. Their effort was rewarded with applause.
"Some of the fundraisers that the band had were pizza sales and car washes. One time, we raked leaves. The best part is hanging out with my friends!"

Kelly Burba '01

"I became a member of band because I thought it would be fun to play a musical instrument and be part of the band. I've been part of the band for seven years."

Emily Lambros '01

"We had a lot of fun on the Boston trip. Mrs. Nevin is great - the choirs don't realize how lucky we are to be able to work with her every day. She does a lot."

Lonnie Scott '01

"I see choir as a great way to hang out with my friends while still doing something I love. We have such great times together."

Chalynn Fields '02

"I like band because of the cool music that we play. The main reason I joined was for the love of music. I've been first chair for four years in a row."

Richard Roe '04

By Amanda Burton '03 and Jakera Frazier '02
The Lincoln choirs and bands have turned dull auditoriums into live stadiums. Their performances have become something to look forward to at football games and concerts. There are five choirs: Women’s Chorus, Concert Women, Men of Lincoln, Split Dimensions and Concert Choir. There are three bands: Concert Band, Symphonic Band and Jazz Band. The music programs had many fundraisers such as bottle drives, car washes, pizza sales and even raked leaves to earn their money. Band and Choir pride themselves on enhancing their talents.

Play it loud. Focusing on doing his best for the halftime show is Stephen Gage ’02. It takes concentration to get the job done right.

Freshman Talent. Saxophonist Michelle Taylor ’04 plays her heart out at the pep assembly. It’s important to gain as much fresh talent each year to expand the band.

Waiting in the wings. Drum major Nicholas Ingrao ’02 waits for his turn in the spotlight.

Practice makes perfect. Members of the alto section rehearse before their spring concert. Both the band and choir holiday concerts were canceled due to inclement weather in December.

Getting Intense. Percussionist Kevin Griffin ’01 focuses on doing his best. The band played the halftime show at the Homecoming game, as usual.

Drumroll please! Percussionists Laura Quashnie ’01, Steven Harwood ’04, Douglas Patton ’01 and Rachel Vonck ’01 add their sounds to the band. The informal attire indicates that this is another pep assembly show!

Three in a row. Kevin Mullins ’01, Karin Bakkila ’04 and Emily Lambros ’01 perform at yet another football game halftime show.

By Amanda Burton ’03 and Jakera Frazier ’02
Exercising the mind. Every morning, a good workout was key to getting motivated to learn. Emily Nichols '01, Kelly Stange '01 and Heather Ringrose '02 did some stretches before attending the the summer workshop sessions.

Extra! Extra! Read all about it! Kristina Zielinski '02 types up her latest story that will be published in The Lincoln Pride newspaper.

A trip to the capital. Each year current yearbook students attend the MIPA conference to better teach them the tricks of journalism, and to give them ideas for the following year. The conference is held annually in Lansing, on the Michigan State University campus.

Show and tell. Ms. Revord, the yearbook adviser, shows Carlos Lazono '02 and Steven Gage '02 a thing or two on the yearbook computer.

“Being editor-in-chief of the yearbook has been quite an experience. I have learned a lot about journalism. I have also started many friendships with my staff, as well as the adviser. It has been a long, hard journey, but it's one I will never forget.”

Kelly Stange '01

“In newspaper class I have learned how to write things from a journalist's point of view, what rules you have to follow and how to make stories look appealing.”

Kristen Bredeweg '02

“Being in WLHS was really fun and it taught me a lot about technology and production. If I had a choice I would take this course again, it was a great experience. Also, it gave me a great excuse to do something entertaining for the entire school!”

Michael Zeoli '01

“I would take newspaper class again because I like to write and when your story gets in the paper it makes you feel good inside, and very proud of yourself.”

Alicia Ellis '02

“I was really suprised to find out I had been chosen to be the editor-in-chief of the yearbook next year. It is a huge responsibility, but I'm looking forward to the experience. And besides, it will look good on my college applications!”

Jamie Edwards '02

By Timothy Penird '02 and Kelly Stange '01
Communication.

One word can mean so much. Whether it’s television, newspaper or the internet, Lincoln doesn’t cut corners when it comes to teaching these courses that are as important today as they will be tomorrow.

With many classes to choose from such as yearbook, journalism or WLHS, any student can experience first-hand what it’s like to work in different fields of communication. People use this tool everyday without even knowing it. Many people say that we are taking advantage of communication, but if we’ve got it so why not use it? Technological advances have broadened communication to the point where we don’t even have to leave our homes to see friends or family that may be hundreds of miles away. These courses keep students aware of the world around them and prepare them for the future.

Broadcasting Spirit.
Jakera Frazier ‘02 looks over the news that will be shown on WLHS. WLHS gives students a chance to find out what’s going on around them in school.

Top of the crop.
Amanda Burton ‘03 knows yearbook photo cropping takes time and precision to get the picture looking just right.

Expressing the theme. After the theme was chosen, Heather Ringrose ‘02 and Kelly Stange ‘01 explained to the rest of the workshop attendees how the theme would be carried throughout the book.

How it all began. After a long conference and many ideas, the editors Kelly Stange ‘01 and Emily Nichols ‘01 met with an artist to create the cover for the yearbook.

Stop the presses!
Amanda Fisher ‘02 goes through a newspaper to get a good idea for her next story and layout idea.

Where it all comes together. This is the studio where all of the latest news is broadcast to Lincoln students throughout the school.

And... Where it all begins. Screening clips for the next show can be a hard job, but someone has got to do it. The WLHS staff puts on a great show that has something for everyone.

By Timothy Penird ‘02 and Kelly Stange ‘01
Feeling This One Out. As the second period comes to an end, Joshua Curmi '02 takes a quick break to relax from all the pressure of the game. This was a close one, though hard fought, resulting in a 4-3 lose under the Saline Hornets at the home ice in Ann Arbor.

One More Time! Keeping the horse under control while racing him around three barrels and back again, Samantha Mayville '01 rides like the wind. Mayville blew the competition away.

Come and Get It. Forced to face-off in their own zone, Lincoln Hockey gets the puck back in a scramble. Captain Todd England '02 takes the face-off like a graceful bull charging through Saline's defense like no other.

Set It Up! Working the ball around the goalie, Ryan Sparks '02 shows off his above average skills when it comes to controlling the ball and running the offense for the lacrosse team. In just their second year of play, the team displayed much improvement along the way.

“I had a good season for only my second year playing. I made a lot of improvements to my game from last season. As a team next year, we should be pretty decent considering we are only losing two seniors.”

Michael Howard '03

“This was my first year ever playing lacrosse. When I first started, I really didn’t know too much about the game, but by the end of the season I was banging with everybody.”

Bryan Fontenot '04

“The best parts of coaching equestrian are watching the riders grow in their talent and the smiles on their faces. The fact that they assume the responsibility for another living thing and take it to heart is truly a great learning experience. Most of them love their horses more than anything.”

Coach Roxanne Mayville

“People think that it is just so easy to ride a horse, but it takes a lot of skill and hard work. It is really a lot harder than you think it would be. I love horses, and I love to ride. It is so much fun, but it takes dedication to learn to ride at this level.”

Holly Malmquist '03

“We played a good hockey season; we had a lot of fun getting better and growing as a team, have high expectations for next year’s season and plan to win a lot more games.”

Todd England '02

By Jonathon Houston '02
Club Sports at Lincoln require just as much practice, commitment and dedication as any of the recognized competitive varsity sports. However, a club sport involves a different set of rules. In club sports, different schools are able to join the team, as well as the ability for boys and girls to play for the same team. Also, club sports do not receive any funding from the school district, but are allowed to use the school name. A club sport must be in place for two years prior to becoming eligible for varsity status. The club sports at Lincoln include lacrosse, hockey and the equestrian team. Lacrosse, along with equestrian, have been teams here for two years, with hockey being here just one a year longer. In addition to the current club sports, there are plans for a Lincoln tennis team.

Charging down the field. Ryan Yargeau '04 runs through the defense and beats the goalie. This was his first year playing lacrosse.

Ride Like The Wind! Equestrian superstar, Chelsea Cutchright '03 shows her ability to control and maneuver her horse over hurdles.

Run It Down! Showing his defensive skills, Ryan Rupprath '01 likes playing with their minds as he clears the ball down field.

Way To Run It! With his soccer skills coming in handy, James Mack '01 flies downfield leaving the midfield in awe.

He Scores! The offense brings new hope to the rest of the team, evening a close game versus the Saline Hornets.

Half Time Talks. The team listens close, as Jeff Daniels, coach of the lacrosse team, cheers them on to an 18 to 3 win over Avondale.

Bring It In, Guy. The Lincoln hockey team takes it in for a pep talk in the third period, looking for the comeback win over the Saline Hornets.
Making The Sale. Can you imagine working around oil, grease and other messy things all day? Kerry Edwards '01 can because she works at Murray's Discount Auto Store for Co-op.

Fax Away! She does it all! Dana Barnes '01 faxes, answers phones and escorts students, at her job at the high school office, where she works for Co-op.

"Hello, Lincoln Middle School, How can I help you?" Answering the phone is one of the many duties of Amanda Thompson '01, who works in the Middle School office for Co-op.

Screwing Around? No! That can't happen at the body shop where Nathaniel Caldwell '02 is working on a car for RCTC.

"RCTC helps me prepare for something I might be interested in doing later on in life. I am gaining the skills needed to do good graphic design, while enjoying the time I spend learning all these new things. It's a great program."

Priscilla Miller '02

"Cadet teaching is a lot of fun. I like working with the kids, and the teachers are cool, too. It gives me a chance to learn all the skills needed to be a good teacher. I have also learned that I don't want to be a middle school teacher."

Jennifer LaFerney '02

"I want to be a fashion designer when I get older, so RCTC is helping me with the things I need to be able to do that. It prepares me for what college might challenge me with."

Danaya Peterson '01

"Technology is challenging but very fun. It offers me the chance to learn things I might need in college or once I am older and looking for a job. We do a lot of cool things in technology."

Jonathan Scherer '02

"RCTC is cool because I only go to school for half a day, and then for the other half of the day, I am doing something I love. I love working with the cars here. It's a change of scenery. I am never bored with school anymore. It's cool."

Benjamin McCune '03

By Jamie Edwards '02 and Stephen Gage '02
Classes Offered to Expand Student Opportunities

Future Preparations

Lincoln offers such programs as Co-op, when students go to school for half a day and work for the other half; RTC, students go to learn trade skills; cadet teaching, students learn the teaching profession by going to classrooms of younger grades to help the teachers and students; and technology classes, all of which help students decide what they might want to do later in life.

These classes, along with the standard classes available, offer opportunities and experiences that will help students face challenges and make choices after graduation.

Playing with fire. Amanda Fisher '02 executes a perfect flame tornado to excite the crowd during this year's Chemistry Magig Show.

Point and Click. Showing off her amazing computer skills, cadet teacher Heather Arens '02 assists one of her students who is having trouble with his computer.

Making A Point. Technology teacher Mr. Nuzzo points out a correction in his typing to Bryan Mellinger '03.

Finger-Lickin' Good! Science teacher Mr. Gilbert reminds the class that you shouldn't eat the rat while dissecting. Biology classes dissect rats each year.

Whistle While You Work! Prepping a car for paint, Jake McKenzie '01 enjoys himself while working hard.

A Helping Hand. It is always good to have someone to talk to, and that's what cadet teacher Matthew Witt '01 is doing. He was always helping students work out problems.

That's Where It Is! Helping a small friend is one of the things Stephen Napier '01 does as a cadet teacher. He's a sweetie, huh?
Team Effort. Taking a moment to prepare themselves and each other for the hard game ahead is the JV football team. This group of young men showed excellent teamwork throughout the season.

Twist And Shout! Making an awesome play once again is Kenneth Gupton '02. Gupton is looking forward to leading the basketball team to an even greater victory next year.

Run, Forrest, Run! Working up a sweat is Gabriel Peoples '02. Peoples was a key member of the cross country team this year. Nice legs, Gabe!

By Jamie Edwards '02

Holding Her Own. Dribbling down the field to the goal is Kelly Williams '03. Scoring four goals since being moved from defense to midfield, Williams has a bright future here at Lincoln.
Dive Right In. Off to a great start is Stephen Gage '02. Gage usually swims the one hundred yard breaststroke and is excited about being a part of the swim team again next year.

This Is How We Do It! Varsity cheer team members Jessica Jackson '01, Shannon Carni '01 and Ka'Shania Thrower '01 demonstrate their smooth moves along with JV team member, Suzanne Young '04.

Sports

Sports are very important to many students. Athletes must learn to balance schoolwork, sports, friends, family and sometimes a part-time job. A 2.0 GPA must be maintained to stay on a sports team.

Some of Lincoln's sports did extremely well this year. The boys varsity basketball team and the track team won their SEC white divisions. The girls varsity soccer team came in second in the SEC white division. All Railsplitters displayed excellent sportsmanship and dedication.

By Jamie Edwards '02
Form it Up! Along with the varsity team, the JV squad pumps up the crowd at the Homecoming pep assembly. The varsity and JV squads worked and practiced together for at least three days a week to work on mounts and formations over the summer. They attended the UCA stunt camp and the Champion stunt camp in Alma, Michigan.

Say it loud! JV Cheerleaders Breanna Cordle ‘03, Suzette Young ‘03, Natasha Norris ‘03 and Amy Pilotte ‘03 cheer on the varsity football team, along with the varsity squad at the Homecoming football game.

No Strings Attached! After working on their throws at camp, Jillian Kmet ‘02 shows extreme skill while being tossed up by her fellow teammates at the Homecoming pep rally, in an effort to hype the crowd.

What did you like best about being a part of the cheer team?

“‘I love being able to talk to my teammates. Getting to know each other was awesome. We’re like one big family.” - Suzette Young ‘03

“We do all kinds of stuff together and I even got to know a lot of people that I didn’t really know before’.” - Megan Allen ‘03

By Heather Ringrose ‘02 and Jonathon Houston ‘02
Varsity and JV Teams Get Fired Up
Early at Summer Cheer Camps

Preseason Prep: The varsity cheerleading squad attended three camps. They went to two stunt camps and one general camp.

The Season: The cheer teams were at each home and away football game to show spirit and lead the crowd in cheering for their team.

Highlights: The team spent every Thursday working with the middle school cheerleaders to prepare for the game on October 20, when they would join the varsity squad in cheering on the sidelines for the night.

Coach's Quote: "Camp was one of the best parts of the season. The girls were really nervous about going because we would be up against some of the best teams in the state, but the girls really proved to themselves that they were just as good," said Coach Kerin Carlson.

"Camp was awesome and we got to be really close friends." - Janet Bumgardner '02

"The way people react to us. When people cheer it feels awesome!" - Tiffany Godsey '01

By Heather Ringrose '02 and Jonathon Houston '02
Seniors Lead Young Varsity Football Team Through A Tough Schedule

Going deep! Quarterback Christopher Lee '03 drops back to make the long pass while Roland Lynn '01 sets himself up to make a block. Lee finished second for passing in the area this year with 122 completed passes for 1,604 yards. Lee also threw for nine touchdowns, ran for five and had 271 rushing yards.

V Football

Preseason Prep: This year the varsity team had a three day camp, staying over night at the school. The team also lifted weights and ran all summer long.

The Season: What happens when you combine a rebuilding year with one of the toughest schedules in the SEC? You end up with a season played with a lot of heart, but only a 2-7 record, beating Temperance Bedford and Dexter. With five sophomores, 20 juniors and 11 seniors, this year's team gained experience which will help them in the seasons to come.

Highlight: The final score of the Homecoming game was 21-14 against Dexter. In this game, Captain Roland Lynn '01 rushed for a season high of 204 yards and two touchdowns. Another highlight of the year was Quarterback Christopher Lee '03, who tied for fifth in all-time passing attempts in a single game, with 53.

Coach's Quote: "I was very proud of our seniors this year. They stepped up and played with a lot of heart. I'm looking forward to next year's season and the kids returning," said Coach Roger Cox.

Watch out! The varsity team takes the field and prepares to win their homecoming game against Dexter. In the end, Lincoln was victorious, 21-14. The Railsplitters finished the season with a record of 2-7.

What was the best moment of the season for you?

"When I scored my first touchdown of the year right before halftime at the Temperance Bedford game." - Charles Reed '01

"When I got "offensive player of the week" over Carlos Lozano for the Saline game." - Robert Robinette '01

By Carlos Lozano '02 and Amber Harris '01
JV/F Freshmen Teams Hope to Develop Future Talents

Preseason Prep: The JV and freshmen boys spent their summer lifting weights and conditioning.
Season: Even though the JV team had an off year, they still achieved their goals and worked hard all season. They ended with a record of 0-9. The freshmen ended 1-8, beating Tecumseh.
Highlight: The highlight of the season was when the JV team traveled to Pioneer with only 14 players. Twelve of the players played both offense and defense in the game. Despite losing 33-0, this was their hardest fought game.
Coach's Quote: "Keep working hard in the off season to get better. If you stay committed and work together as a team, then there is no one who can stop you," said JV Coach Eric Johnson.

"It was pretty good, but it could have been better. I had a lot of fun, too."
-Rashard Jones '04

"I had a lot of fun even though we didn't win any games. We all worked hard though."
-Jeremy Brown '03

What are your thoughts on this season?

Loose Ball: Defensive lineman Joseph Murphy '03 recovers a fumble to get the ball back for Lincoln.

By Carlos Lozano '02 and Amber Harris '01
The Girls Swim Team Adjusts to Practice at Eastern Michigan Club Pool

Group hug. The girls show just what kind of friends they are by giving a team hug after a long dual meet. This year’s team was held together by hard work, both in and out of the pool, and strong friendships like this. “We might not win every meet or every medal, but we have each other. We love to swim, but we love each other too," said Chelsea Poole '03.

Preseason Prep: Since Lincoln’s pool was still under construction, the girls swam twice a day at Eastern Michigan University’s Jones pool. They even took a training trip to Hillsdale College for the first time. “Our team seems to be closer this year. Our training trip helped us to become great friends,” said Molly Adcock '01.

Season: Even though the team lost all of their dual meets, they swam great at SEC’s and SMISL’s, and more importantly, improved their strokes and times. “To me the season has been very successful because every meet I improve my times just a little,” said Alaina Rendon '04.

Highlights: Despite not having a home pool and all the 4:30 a.m. practices, the team stayed together to improve everyone’s personal records while also obtaining a few new school records. Amanda Burton ‘03 earned her name on the record board in the 100, 200 and 500 freestyle.

Coach’s Quote: “The girls worked very hard this year and I expect many improvements next year,” said Coach Kelton Graham.

Fluttering to the finish line. Laura Mamp ‘02 swims her best butterfly, though she usually swims freestyle. Previously, Mamp was the 200 and 500 yard freestyle record holder. Despite a knee injury, she has persevered as one of team’s most valuable.

What was the funniest incident that happened during the season?

“After a meet, we stopped at McDonald’s and saw some hot guys when we got off the bus. We asked if we could take a picture with them, and they said yes.”

-Laura Mamp ‘02

“We’re constantly laughing, joking around, singing, yelling and being crazy. That’s what makes us a team!”

-Chelsea Poole ‘03

By Jessica Butzin ‘02

Lending an ear. Captain Moll Adcock ’01 gives fellow teammate Amanda Burton ’03 some last minute advice before the meet. Adcock has swam all four years, and as captain this year, she worked extremely hard to promote team unity.
Boys Swim Team is the First to Set Foot in the New Pool

Boys Swimming

Up and away! A good dive is important to every race, so Captain Joshua Alper '01 demonstrates a perfect start. "A team strength is our spirit; there are always people cheering no matter what," said Alper.

Preseason Prep: The guys have been looking forward to their season since last year, especially since so many of them trained over the summer and with the girls' team.

The Season: The season started out rough with early morning and after school practice. In January, the LHS pool re-opened and the team returned. "I like the blocks," said David Cain '02.

Highlights: The team had several exceptional swimmers this year, including Nicholas Ingrao '02, who broke a school record with a Class A state qualifying 500 freestyle. Other key performers were Richard Roe '04, Stephen Gage '02, Joshua Alper '01 and Christopher Bielak '01.

Coach's Quote: "This is one of the best teams we've seen in many years," said Coach Kelton Graham.

What is the best part of being on the swim team?

"The feeling you get after you win a race and the satisfaction of knowing that most people can't do what you can." - Stephen Gage '02

"Looking at your opponent on the block next to you and feeling confident that you can beat him." - Richard Roe '04

By Amanda Burton '03 and Jessica Butzin '02
JV/F Girls Basketball

Preseason Prep: In the summer, some of the JV girls went to a U of M basketball camp for a week. Both JV and freshmen conditioned. Starting from the second week of summer break, the girls conditioned two to three times a week for about two to three hours each day.

The Season: The JV team ended their season with four wins and 17 losses, with one forfeit. The freshman team record mirrored the JV team. Both teams felt the record did not reflect their achievements.

Highlights: The team members on both JV and freshmen worked together and improved greatly over the course of the season. "Coach Banks never lost hope in us; he stuck with us and had faith that we could still win the game no matter how bad the score was," said Heather Witt '03, a JV player. Both teams had a lot of skilled players this season that were good in different areas.

Coach’s Quote: "We did improve throughout the season, regardless of what our record shows," said Coach Christopher Banks.

Who is the person you look up to the most on varsity?

"Kelly Morawski, because she is a good player and has a lot of talent."
-Lisa Blummer '04

"Sonia Saddler. I liked the way she played. She had a lot of rebounds."
-Amir Alexander '04

By Amanda Fisher '02
Defense, Dedication, Discipline and Desire
Carry the Team Through a Tough Season

Preseason Prep: Over the summer, the girls attended many tournaments to get them ready for this year's season. The girls also spent a lot of time conditioning and lifting weights.

The Season: The team struggled with winning the season, but they had a lot of close games. The four D's: defense, dedication, discipline and desire were the key to getting this year's team motivated. The season ended with a total of four wins and 16 losses.

Highlights: "When we played well and came close to beating teams that had blown us out before," said Jennifer Bargardi '02.

Coach's Quote: "Despite injuries and problems, the girls worked hard and improved a lot throughout the season," said Coach Keith Wade.

What was the hardest part about practice?

"I think that 'wall suicides' were the hardest part for me." -Megan Wysocki

"Conditioning was the hardest part for me." -Kelly Morawski '01

By Amanda Fisher '02
Girls Cross Country

Despite a Tough Season, the Team Put Their All Into Each Stride

A valce of tears. After a hard run, Coach William "Kit" Moran comforts Tabitha Benyo '03, who shows pain and heartfelt emotion. Coaches always know how to boost team spirits and get everyone pumped up to do their best. With a little bit of advice from Coach Moran and support from the rest of the team, Benyo will be off and running in no time.

Girls CC

Preseason Prep: If you think that laying by the pool in the sweltering heat of the summer sun is exhausting, try running several miles in it. These girls did just that, trying to beat the heat to get themselves into shape for the upcoming year.

The Season: The season finally began in August, and after all the hard work that the girls had put into this, they were prepared and ready to begin. They continually pressed hard to meet their goals, but found that they weren't easy to come by. At the end of the season the girls began to see improvement in their abilities, and began to set new goals for themselves for next year. The team placed eighth at Regionals to close the season.

Highlights: Several girls showed individual courage in trying to overcome injuries. Also, this year the girls CC team enjoys one of the highest team grade point averages due to after-school study tables at the insistence of Coach Moran.

Coach's Quote: "We didn’t live up to our potential this year, but hopefully we’ll do better next year!" said Coach Moran.

What’s your CC motto that you live by?

"Hills are obstacles that God has set before us." - Tammy Lawson '03

"Hard work pays off in the long run." -Marian Altenbernt '03

By Amanda Thompson '01
Running Strong! With determination on his face, Noah Bukis '01 strides toward the finish line. Bukis' best time is 20:02 for this season. He is one of many runners who have improved their times to make this season a productive one.

Three Things Motivated the Boys CC Team: To Be Faster, To Go Further and To Finish Strong

Boys Cross Country

Keeping a steady pace. Following closely behind a Huron runner is Joshua King '02, trying to reach the lead. King's personal best is 18:12. He dropped his time by three minutes this season. King turned in some impressive performances, but hopes to reach his goal of 17:00.

Preseason Prep: The team practiced all summer and throughout the season. Jason Pinter '02 comments, "I have been working hard all season and on my own time."

The Season: The team had 11 meets, they placed first in one against Willow Run. There was a lot of improvements from new recruits such as Gabriel Peoples '02 who said, "I've never worked so hard in my life until I joined the CC team!"

Highlight: Nathan Looze '01 placed third at the SEC Jamboree with a season best of 16:55. He recorded the highest placing of his Southeastern Conference career.

Coach's Quote: "The team kept improving every meet. The most rewarding thing about this season was watching the boys drop their times," said Coach Sid Wright.

What is your most embarrassing CC moment?

"When I tried to do a flip off of a table and landed on my back and on a lot of acorns with no shirt on!"

"I was in practice and I fell down a gravel hill really hard. Not once, but twice!"

-Max Mitchell '02

-Alex Correa '01

By Jakera Frazier '02
Now you see him, now you don’t. Showing off his fancy footwork for the home crowd, Daniel Lavery ’01 shows Bedford who’s in control. Lavery’s experience comes from four years of Lincoln High School soccer. His leadership skills also set a good example for the younger, inexperienced players struggling to become a team.

V Boys Soccer

Preseason Preparation: The season started in the blistering heat of June with conditioning. With lots of work, the guys got ready for the long season awaiting them. Their heads held high, the players stepped on the field and showed whatever they were capable of.

The Season: After a somewhat disappointing season record of 2-17, the players referred to it as a “rebuilding year” for Lincoln soccer. A roster including many seniors, most having played for all four years in high school, paved the way for future players.

Highlight: Although disappointed with the end result, many of the players said that the team improved over the course of the season, not only individually, but as a team.

Coach’s Quote: Coach Greg Harwood comments on the year, “I think we did well, you never do as well as you like. We had high expectations this year. It may have been an all-around difficult season, but their improvements were the best part. I’m going to miss all of the seniors and it will be really hard for me to say goodbye.”

Ouch! “No pain, no gain” is part of the victory plan for Ezequiel Enriquez ’01. Enriquez takes the saying “way to take one for the team” to a whole new level.

Do you think that the team as a whole improved this season?

“Individually yes, but by the time we did as a team the season was coming to a close.”

- Erik Vitso ’01

“We had the greatest potential, but we didn’t use it correctly.”

-Ryan Reynolds ’02

By Brian Lucier ’02 and Laqandra Cain ’01
Young JV Team Struggles with Lack of Experience and Works Toward Future Success

Presseason Preparation: The JV squad hit the season with eyes wide shut, learning that high school soccer is more challenging than expected. Conditioning along with the varsity players, the freshman team prepared for the long season ahead of them.

The Season: With zero wins, it was a rough end to a progressive season.

Highlight: Along with hard work comes a little fun. For Steven Harwood '04 it was during a water fight: "We were going to dump water on Coach B., then he took it and poured it on Mike Ellis."

Coach's Quote: "I think next year will be our rebuilding year, players will gain experience from this season and be able to apply it next year," said Coach Stanley Burgoo.

What did you like most about your teammates?

"Most of the team was well connected."
-Jason Adcock '04

"The best part would be being with my friends."
-Christopher Shukait '04

By Brian Lucier '02 and Laquanda Cain '01
A Young Team Finds the Strength to Pull Together to Make the Best of a Difficult Season

Holding her ground. JV goalie Adeline Howell '04 fit right in, despite the fact that it was her first year as goalie. Howell's goalie season was cut short because of an injury, but she was able to contribute to the team on the rest of the field. Goalies are very well admired as the team member who is the last resort for stopping the other team from making a goal.

JV Girls Soccer

Preseason Prep: Conditioning was held every day after school from three to four for anyone interested in getting in shape, improving skills and preparing for the season. The Season: The season got off to a slow start. Many of the girls were new to the team and it took a while for everyone to get comfortable with each other's performance. After the team became more familiar with each other, they were able to go on to win more games. Injuries also plagued the team early on. Many important players were forced to sit out during games because of their injuries. Highlights: The biggest highlights this season were the team's wins. The girls scored high against Ypsilanti, Milan and Adrian. They were also able to tie against Chelsea. Coach's Quote: "I was very pleased with the way the team progressed their skills, confidence, communication and determination. We had a good season all together and I expect an even better one next year. I look forward to coaching next year's girls," said Coach Kip Cicotte.

Run circles around 'em. Deidra Ramey '04, Bridget Bureau '03 and Autumn Cleghorn '04 show off one of their team's strengths: speed. "We have a pretty fast team with a lot of skill; we just need to communicate more," said Bureau.

Why did you decide to play soccer?

"I had some friends who knew I would enjoy soccer and they talked me into trying out."
-Karin Bakkila '04

"I started playing in 6th grade because all of my friends were playing and I fell in love with it."
-Brooke Burba '03

By Jessica Butzin '02
Race against time. Chasing after the ball, Emily Lambros ’01 shows her speed and determination to win. “This year we have more depth and more skill than ever. We play to win, not just to keep the games close,” said Lambros.

Talent Leads the Varsity Team Through a Successful Season

Shoot for the sky. Emily Nichols ’01 shows off her great kick. Nichols’ most amazing performance this year was against Saline, when she made 20 saves. “Before a game I think about what I’m going to do and how I’m going to save the ball,” said Nichols.

Varsity Girls Soccer

Preseason Prep: The team had conditioning after school everyday, which included weightlifting, running and foot work drills.
The Season: This year’s team was extremely close and confident in each other’s performance. By having a team talk before games and setting goals for themselves, they were able to be at the top of their district all season.

Highlights: There were many highlights this year, from KyMarie Allen ’01 falling with no one around to Emily Lambros ’01 scoring with her head. One of the biggest highlights however, was the 1-0 win against Bedford that no one expected.

Coach’s Quote: “I was extremely proud that the team finished better than any team in Lincoln’s soccer history,” said Coach Terri Allen.

How does the team differ from previous years?

“We are a good team and we are all really close.”
-Kelly Burba ’01

“We get along much better and we also have a lot more skill.”
-KyMarie Allen ’01

By Jessica Butzin ’02
Girls' Golf Team Overcomes Lack of Experience for a Successful Season

Time Out! Members of the team confer with Coach David Sarkett. "I love their enthusiasm and positive attitudes," said Jill Pinter '01. The group is extremely close as a result of their common goals. "I get to golf all the time, whenever I want!" said Cay Phipps '03. With attitudes like that, some form of success is guaranteed. After all, practice makes perfect!

Preseason Prep: Several members of the team practiced on their own before the season began. "You just need to make the time for it, be at every practice and be willing to learn," said Jessica (Cox) Blair '03.

The Season: "This season was a lot more difficult than past ones because of a lack of new members with golfing experience," said Heather Lobach '02. However, the team was a close-knit group dedicated to the game. Although this year's team was relatively inexperienced, the girls agree that there is a lot of underclassmen potential. "I really hope that we can get more girls interested," said Cay Phipps '03.

Highlights: "The Pinckney Invitational, a tournament in which we played best ball with a partner, was a fun experience. Some of the players played 18 holes for the first time and did well," said Jill Pinter '01.

Coach's Quote: "I'm happy with the way the girls have worked hard to improve their game of golf. They've learned a sport that will last a lifetime. I'm proud of their progress," said Coach David Sarkett.

Say Cheese! Smiling as she completes a perfect swing, Mary Adcock '01 said, "The challenge I experience every day on the golf course is the best part of being on this team. It's a mental commitment beyond anything I've ever done."

Let it fly! Watching her shot as the ball flies into the air is Amanda Mate '01. Golf is a game of intense concentration, and she is doing her best to get the low score. The seniors played a big role in team leadership this year.

What did you enjoy most about the other members of the team?

"Their ability to stay positive and keep trying, no matter what."
-Mary Adcock '01

"They're all really great to be around. I always have fun when I'm with them."
-Jessica (Cox) Blair '03

By Amanda Burton '03
Young Team Members Set High Standards and Gave it Their Best Shot!

**Boys Golf**

**Preseason:** The varsity golf team played eighteen holes every day for a week before their first match. Practices were tiring, but fun, according to team members Andrew Wilson '03 and Jason Hull '02.

**Season:** Although the season did not turn out as well as hoped, the members were satisfied with their individual performances.

**Highlight:** The golf team unexpectedly won their match against Manchester by two points.

**Outcome:** The golfers emphasized enjoyment of the game rather than concentrating on the final score. However, some members would have liked to have posted a better record than 1-25.

**Coach’s Quote:** “We were very young. We need to get out and play more,” said Scott Schimmoeller.

What was the most memorable event of the season?

“Mike Adrounie set off the alarm in the cart barn when he snuck in there.”

- Aaron Stiehl '03

“I hit a guy in his chest with a golf ball and he fell.”

- Andrew Wilson '03

By Jamie Edwards '02
Winter Cheer

Preseason Prep: The winter jv and varsity cheer teams spent many hours perfecting their routines, including summer camps and long hours of practice. Cindy Whittenburg '03 said, "To get prepared for this season, I worked hard on my back handspring, which took a lot of work."

The Season: The cheer teams strove to give a top performance each time out. More difficult jumps were perfected and new cheers heightened the excitement. "This season was long, but fun. We are always learning new things and improving what we learned," said Megan Allen '03.

Highlight: The season's highlight was placing second at the U.C.A. Regionals. Each returning cheerleader has the intention of making that first place victory next season.

Coach's Quote: Varsity cheer coach for the past three years Kerin Carlson said, "This season was very promising and the girls were especially motivated. We get stronger and better every year. I predict they will be ready to win the U.C.A. Regionals next year."

There is no "I" in team. The jv and varsity teams work together to show off some new moves. The teams blend experience and enthusiasm to help build an overall sense of pride and accomplishment, which led to spectacular spirit.

What made you want to become a cheerleader?

"The skills and techniques that comes with it. Where else can you throw someone twenty feet in the air and it's okay?"
- Shyla Craiger '02

"Ever since I was young, I'd go to games with my family. All I did was watch the cheer team. I've always thought it looked like fun."
- Angela Cornett '02

By Meme Oates '02 and Jakera Frazier '02
Railsplitters Fly High. Standing tall are JV cheerleaders Jennifer Fink ’04, Melanie Lay ’03, Megan Allen ’03 and Desiree Sims ’03. They showed off their moves before the JV basketball players got on the floor at each game.

Reach for the Sky! Showing their strong arms are Megan Allen ’03, Emily Vredevelt ’04, Desiree Sims ’03 and Jennifer Fink ’04. The ladies gave a team effort with this move to get the crowd involved. Crowd participation is essential.

Laying It On...Back-Hand Style! Varsity cheerleader Kristin Hustyl ’02 does a routine back flip. Husty took part in the action at the pep rally. Pumping up the crowds during the assemblies created a lot of spirit and unity amongst the students throughout the year.

“My always wanted to be a cheerleader, ever since I was a little girl.”
- Melanie Lay ’03

“My have cheered since the 7th grade and I was in gymnastics, so I became interested in it.”
- Amanda Alliston ’03

Set It Up. Preparing to host Janet Bumgardner ’02 in the air are Ka’shania Thrower ’01 and Megan Allen ’03. Whatever you do, don’t drop her.

Winter Cheerleading

By Meme Oates ’02 and Jakera Frazier ’02
Preparation Plus Determination
Equals Success

Box Out! Ryan Hawkins '04 prepares himself for a rebound. Nicknamed "Big Country", Hawkins knows how to box out when needed. He's keeping his eyes on the basketball to make the box out rebound against the Tecumseh defenders. As soon as Hawkins gets the rebound, he will surely get into the triple threat position that was highly stressed throughout the entire season.

JV/Freshmen Boys Basketball

Preseason Prep: The boys JV and freshmen teams worked extremely hard to develop their skills and to learn how to use them effectively. "We conditioned four times a week, shot a lot of shots, played a lot of ball and ran a lot of miles and suicides," says DeAnte Teamer '02.

The Season: This season went much better than last season. The intensity was running higher and it went very well. "We had a great season, but we should have won more games than we did," said Anthony Young '02.

Highlight: Laurence Williams '03 said the season's highlight was "beating Adrian at home." That proved to be one of the season's toughest games. Another highlight was learning how to work as one unit when it counted most.

Coach's Quote: "I hope to accomplish the continuation of a winning tradition for next year's team. This season our team improved a great deal. Our ability to work well as a team is what I was most pleased with," said Coach Foley, freshmen coach for the past three years.

Quick Drive!
Michael Reese '04 recovers after a rebound. He searches down the court for an open teammate to receive the pass. The JV team proved to be a talented group of young players who went a long way over the year.

What is your favorite thing about playing basketball?

"I like the sport, the challenge and I especially love the rush I get when I play."
- Justin Russaw '03

"I like playing basketball because I like being part of the team and I just love the sport itself."
- Joel Ihrig '04

By Jakera Frazier '02 and Meme Oates '02
Slammin' it home!
With this dunk, Corey Gupton '01 advances the 'Splitter lead against Tecumseh. Gupton's favorite thing about basketball is "winning the game and dunking with a vengeance!" And that he did!

Varsity Railsplitters Take It To The Next Level

V Boys Basketball

Preseason Prep: The team did a lot to become the great team they are today. "We went to scrimmages and tournaments," said Rashawn Quinzy '02. "We also went to summer team camps every week," added Jason Pinter '02.
The Season: Conditioning prior to the season proved to be very productive. They made good use of their efforts. The varsity squad had the difficult task of parting ways with Coach and friend Keith Wade midway through the season.

Highlight: The highlight of the season was defeating Dexter, and as a result, winning the white division!

Coach's Quote: Coach Banks said, "This season was very successful. We achieved our goal, which was to win the S.E.C. championships. And next year we will do it all over again!"

What was your most embarrassing moment this season?

"Thad my shorts pulled down to my ankles when I was running down the court!"
- Stanley Roberson '01

"I was so embarrassed when I was tripped by Chris Lee at a home game."
- Charles Reed '01

By Jakera Frazier '02 and Meme Oates '02
Varsity Leads Younger Teams By Setting A Good Example

Perfect form. Stephine Dougherty '01 gets in position to send the ball flying, while AnnMarie Nolan '02 and Captain Kelly Morawski '01 get ready to help with the play. Teamwork was one major thing the girls had down. "High expectations were key for this year's volleyball team, led by seniors Dolly Aduroja, Stephine Dougherty, Connie Fullerton, Kelly Morawski and Breah Whitlow. The ladies were successful," said Coach Mike Armstrong.

Volleyball

Preseason Prep: The varsity team practices every day for two hours. They practice skills that will be useful and necessary in games and are sure to pay special attention to areas that they are struggling in, such as passing, hitting, spiking, serving and receiving.

Season: Seventeen people tried out this year and 15 made the team. This year’s team worked very hard to improve their serving and receiving skills while their killer offense kept them going strong. "When we win a game, we scream a lot; if we don’t win, we find what we need to improve on and work on that area," said Breah Whitlow '01.

Highlights: The Lady Splitters were successful playing in the toughest conference in the state (Dexter #1-class B, Bedford #1-class A). They were also considered the favorite for districts this year, according to Coach Michael Armstrong.

Coach’s Quote: “I never enjoyed coaching a team as much as I’ve enjoyed this group of athletes. Their hardwork has really shown on the court,” said Coach Armstrong.

Close call. Dolly Aduroja '01 makes a last minute dive to save the play. The season has been full of close ones for the girls. "It’s not going as well as we hoped, but I still think we are a good team. It’s hard to do well with the changes this year,” said Aduroja '01.

What’s the best thing about being part of this year’s team?

“Just being part of the team. We get along really well and always laugh a lot. We have gotten to be really good friends and we have great teamwork.”
-Erin Allen ’02

“Like the tournaments because we always talk about fun stuff on our breaks. It’s a good time for team bonding.”
-Martha Panzer ’02

By Timothy Penird’02 and Jessica Butzin’02
Falling to her knees, Katie Wagner '03 does what it takes to make a great save during her jv game. "I'm really athletic and I love volleyball. I like getting close with my team and it's a lot of fun when we're doing well," said Wagner.

Team Unity Brings Jv and Freshmen Teams Together

Crack a smile. Before the game, jv members Jessica Copley '03, Stephanie Wallman '05, Emily Satanski '04 and Therese Willingham '03 exchange a few laughs. Friendship is one of many things shared during the season.

JV/F Volleyball

Preseason Prep: Both the the freshmen and jv teams practiced two hours a day, almost every day, with the exception of game days. Season: Once the freshmen found out what it took, the season picked up for the better. "Our strength is our ability and talent to play good volleyball; our weakness is how little confidence we have," said Karen Ok '04. The jv team relied on their strong offense and team unity to stick out the season.

Highlights: The freshmen team placed fourth in a tournament at Dexter and placed in the silver division at Walled Lake's tournament.

Coach's Quote: "This is a wonderful group of athletes, not only in terms of volleyball, but also in terms of their character," said Coach Andrea Kuzich.

What was the funniest moment this year?

"When our coach tripped on a net and fell flat on her face! It was a riot! The whole team couldn't stop laughing."

-Kali Bobak '04

"When the ball hit Adrienne Weidmer in the face! The ball just lifted her off the ground!"

-Jessica Copley '03

Team time out. Karen Ok '04 and Ashley Ingram '04 take a break while coach Kuzich offers last minute words of encouragement.
Rookie Roster Hopes to Develop Skills and Set Goals for Future Growth

Putting the burr on! Squeezing with all his might. Christopher McGough ’03 works hard to get the pin. McGough had a great season on varsity, finishing with 67 takedowns and 83 escapes culminating in a record of 34 and 16. He also placed fourth at districts which qualified him for regionals.

Get Ready! With careful concentration, Gregory Dochych ’01 gets ready to make his next move. Dochych had a good season, and though he spent half the season with an injury, he still ended with a record of ten wins and 11 losses.

Wrestling

Preseason Prep: The wrestling team spent most of their time in the weight room. The team also performed a lot of endurance work to get in shape for the season.

Season: With three freshmen, eight sophomores, two juniors and three seniors in the varsity lineup, this year’s team was looked at as “a work in progress”. Even though they had a hard season with an even harder schedule, the team performed very well and worked very hard to achieve all of their goals. Their overall record was 10-20, but in five of their dual meets they only lost by less than three points. “We’re right where I want to be,” said coach Rick Dubay about the season.

Highlight: One of the highlights of the season was when the varsity team took second place at the Avondale tournament. Another highlight was when Christopher McGough ’03 beat a wrestler from Pinckney who teched him twice in two previous matches. He ended up winning the match 10-5.

Coach’s Quote: “Winning isn’t everything, but wanting to is,” said Dubay.
How's that feel? Giving an extremely hard cross face to his opponent, Jacob Viers '03 gets ready to make another move. Viers had one of the best records on the team this year with 42 and 13.

Pin his shoulders to the mat. Putting a Dexter wrestler in a cradle, James Allen '03 is about to get awarded six points for pinning his opponent. Allen had 12 pins this season and ended with a record of 14 and 21.

Not this time! As his opponent tries to shoot, Jeremy Brown '03 makes the block and begins to make his counter attack. Brown, on his first year of varsity, had a good season with nine pins, 16 takedowns and 16 escapes. His overall record was 12 and 18.

How was your first year of wrestling?

"It was my first year ever wrestling and it was a lot of fun."

- Bryan Hubert '03

"I had a decent season this year and I'm looking forward to the years to come."

- John Alford '03

By Amber Harris '01, Carlos Lozano '02 and Stephen Perkins '02
Learning That Hard Work and Determination Can Lead a Team to a Successful Season and S.E.C

Taking a toll on the pole. Abisola (Dolly) Aduroja '01 takes advantage of her long legs and glides over the high-jump pole. This is Aduroja's fourth consecutive year in track and in the high jump event. As a senior, Aduroja shows underclassmen who are new to the event just what long jump is all about.

Girls Track

Preseason Prep: This season, the girls did a lot of conditioning to get them ready for the long, hard season ahead of them. Conditioning included weightlifting, short to mid-distance running and sprinting, along with many other stretches and exercises that kept them in tip-top shape.

Season: Not only were the girls undefeated champions of the 2001 S.E.C., they also had five members who qualified for state races.

Highlights: The highlights are quite obvious when it comes to the girls track team. Jennifer Horn '03, alone, qualified for the 400m and 100m dash, while Gail Stec '01 qualified for the mile run. Other state qualifiers were Ashton Bullock '04 and Desiree Sims '04.

Coach's Quote: "The girls did very well this season. I am proud that their determination and strengths showed throughout the season and at at S.E.C. The seniors were great mentors to the rest of the team. I am grateful to have such a mesmerizing team. Overall, I'm proud of the girls' ongoing A-performance," said Coach Csaba Kovacks.

Do you have a ritual before each meet?

"We huddle and pray before each meet. Then we cheer, "What we gonna do? Take it to da house!" I also make it a point to wear blue undies on the day of the meet!"

-Kristen Russell '03

"We pray as a group and then we do a little cheer. Personally, I just pray." -Jennifer Horn '03

Working up a sweat. Kristina Zielinski '02 takes relaying to a whole new level. Zielinski keeps her eyes on the prize...the finish line that is. "Track is all about having fun and doing your best," said Zielinski.

By Timothy Penird '02
Gettin' Dirty! With sand flying in his eyes, Joseph Cochran '03 jumps as far as he can. The long jump is one of Cochran's better events. This is his second year on the track team. He looks forward to two more years to come.

After a Four Year Absence from the Winner's Circle, the Men's Track Team is Once Again on Top of the S.E.C.

Flying High! Soaring through the air is Andrew Mitchell '02. Mitchell had a state qualifying vault of 12 feet six inches. Mitchell was also a key factor on this year's team.

Boys Track

Preseason Prep: This year the track team ran indoor track meets to warm up for the season. The boys also spent this winter lifting hard in the weight room.

Season: The men's track team got off to one of the best starts they have had in recent years. They finished the season with an undefeated dual meet record in the S.E.C. white division.

Highlight: One of the many highlights this season was when Stanley Roberson '01 broke his own record in the 400 yard dash. Some of the other highlights were winning their own invitational and having eight guys qualify for states.

Coach's Quote: "The team performed very well this year and had great leadership from our seniors," said Coach Derek Gonzales.

How do you feel about this being your last year on the team?

"This year has been great. I'll miss my teammates, but I'll miss my fellow seniors the most."

-Nathan Looze '01

What are your expectations for next year's team?

"Next year we need to work extremely hard because we are losing a lot of seniors."

-Lawrence Williams '03

By Carlos Lozano '02 and Stephen Gage '02
varsity softball

Keeper your eyes on the ball. Sneaking past the first basemen, captain Amber Harris '01 makes yet another great play. Harris was on the varsity softball team all four years of her high school career and her hard work, dedication and leadership will be missed. Good luck, Amber!

Teamwork.

Working together to make a great play, Laura Quashnie '01 and Kelly Morawski '01 get their opponent out. Teamwork is one of the key factors for a team (and a play) to run smoothly and these girls seem to have it down.

What is your favorite part about being on the team?

"My favorite part about being on the team are the bus rides. We always have so much fun and get pumped up for the big game ahead!"

-Tiffany Godsey '01

"My favorite part is the friendship. You make lifelong friends when you belong to a team like this."

-Jillian Faitel '01

By Jamie Edwards '02
Good Aim. Trying to get a runner out is Holly Malmquist '03. One of the reasons why the team did so well this year is because of the exceptional skill of each of the players. Each girl brought a different talent to the field.

The Team Had A Great Season and Plans to Be The Best Next Year

Preseason Prep: The jv team worked hard this year to build up their skills and the way they work together. The team ran, worked out and had tough practices before the season even started.

Season: The jv softball team finished the season with a record of 7-20. Most players were very satisfied with this and all players expect to do much better next year.

Highlights: The highlights of the season were all the great catches that were made during the games and winning all the games that they did.

Coach’s Quote: "My whole catch phrase this year was 'Hussle Up Girls!' That seemed to get them motivated. They really got moving then! This was a great group of girls," said coach Jeffery Gage.

What do you feel are the strengths and weaknesses of the team?

"Our strengths are teamwork. We all work together and have a great time!"

-Sarah Lambert '03

"Our weaknesses are hitting and pitching. In the beginning, we were good, but now..."

-Alex Tutor '03

By Jamie Edwards '02
JV Team Sticks Together Through Thick and Thin

Baseball

JV Tharn

Ticks 'lbgether Through Thick and Thin

Safe at two! Sliding safely into second base is Jonathan Orr '03. Orr was the starting shortstop and a great help to this year's junior varsity team. "I'm looking forward to playing summer ball and next year's season. I think we are going to be even better and hopefully the program will be more successful," said Orr.

JV Baseball

Preseason Prep: Both teams had players who participated in summer ball. They also spent the fall and winter lifting weights and conditioning.

Season: The junior varsity team ended their season with a record of 2-15. They had a lot of new faces on the team this year, as well as some returners. The jv team improved throughout the season despite what their record shows. "I'm real proud of our team and the great character they showed. They proved that they can stick together and do things that other teams can't," said Coach Scott Barrett.

Highlights: One of this season's highlights for the junior varsity team was when they played Adrian at home and won. Each player got a chance to play and helped the team get a win. This was one of only two wins they received this year.

Coach's Quote: "I'm looking forward to next year and the kids I'll have returning. I think that we improved a lot this season, and that the boys learned a few things that will help them for when they play varsity," said Coach Barrett.

Get a lead! With careful steps, Justin McElroy '03 gets ready to steal second base. McElroy had the most stolen bases this year and was the catcher for the junior varsity team. He also helped share the pitching responsibilities.

What do you think of playing baseball at the high school level?

"It's great! I had a lot of fun this year being on the team. I learned a lot of things that I know will help me next year." -Brian Fox '02

"Playing baseball in high school is so much fun! You get to meet new people, and learn things that will help you in the future." -Joel Ihrig '04

By Amber Harris '01 and Stephen Perkins '02

Here's the wind up... and the pitch. Jeremy Brown '03 gets set to deliver a fastball for strike three. Brown was a big help to this year's pitching staff. He was also used as a utility player helping at second base and in the outfield.
Rock and Fire! On the mound, Robert Kitchen '01 pitches a curve ball to keep the batter on his toes. Kitchen was the only senior on the varsity team this year and he did an excellent job of showing the younger guys how things are done.

Varsity Team Takes It One Game at a Time

Preseason Prep: The varsity team joined the JV team this year with summer ball, weight lifting and conditioning in the fall and winter.

Season: The team practiced a lot and worked extremely hard this season. The boys just came up short in SEC's, where they played Saline. They played one of their best defensive games all season at districts against Ypsilanti.

Highlights: The team took a trip to St. Augustine, Florida to do some training during spring break. The boys had a lot of fun in the sun and made it a true learning experience.

Coach's Quote: “The kids worked hard this year and I was very proud by the way they came out for districts. They worked hard all year and I can't wait until next year.” said Coach Howard Schroeder.

How did this year compare to last?

“T his year, we worked harder and were closer as a team. I think next year will be even better.”

-Thomas Hudge '02

“I can see the improvement in each guy since last year. We gained a lot of new talent.”

-Benjamin Weaks '03

By Stephen Perkins '02 and Jamie Edwards '02
Brrrrr! Trying to keep warm at a home football game, Therese Willingham '03, Amanda Fisher '02 and Kristen Pinter '03 huddle close.

Put your hard hats on! Stepping into that spirited crowd might prove to be a little dangerous. Be sure to be prepared. Thanks for the warning!

Lending a hand. A warm and toasty Lincoln mom helps Megan Wysocki '02 stay in school spirit by helping out with face painting for participation in the Homecoming Parade.
Wednesday is Chicken Nugget Day. Beating the long line, Heather Arens '02 eats her chicken nuggets in peace. Chicken nugget day is the most popular day to buy lunch at Lincoln.

Sticking together. Cheering for their team, Crystal McClain '03, Alexis Floyd '03, Erin Borrow '03, Meagan Ransome '03, Nina Battle '03, Dominique Page '03 and Brittany Lilly '03 gather together for warmth at the Homecoming football game.

First and foremost, a school is only as good as the people inside. This includes students, teachers, support staff and administrators. The connections made over the course of four years will last throughout a lifetime, creating memories that will never fade.

High school doesn't just teach basic subjects, such as math, science, social studies and English; it also encourages personal growth, cooperation and unity.

By Emily Nichols '01
Superstitions are silly to most people, but to athletes superstitions can mean the difference between a great game and a bad game. Superstitions lead to rituals, which help athletes prepare for their game. Some athletes do a lot of rituals, some do just one, but they always do it the same because of the superstition. Superstitions can be just as simple as wearing the same socks or shirt every game. Other superstitions can be drinking something or walking or sitting in the same spot.

"Superstitions are real. Whatever is good luck to you is what you believe in and that is what you do," said Aaron Pilotte '01. "Superstitions work about seventy percent of the time, but when I do them they work ninety-five percent of the time for me," said Thomas Hudge '02.

Whatever you call them, whether rituals, superstitions or traditions, every athlete has one even though they might not know it. People say they are just luck, because if you really look at what you do it really has nothing to do with your performance. Some people don't understand why athletes believe in these things, but Bobby Rose '02 said it best: "You do them because it's a habit and you get used to doing them. That's why, game after game, you keep on doing the same thing over and over again. They get your mind set on what your task is at hand that you must do."
Check out them shoe strings! Neon green shoe strings are what make James Allen `03 different from other wrestlers. Allen’s superstition is something that he has always done. “Superstitions are a big part of the way I get ready for either a game or a match. I have so many different superstitions, but the green shoe strings are my favorite and is the one that I always do, no matter what sport I’m playing,” said Allen. What others can you think of?

Matthew Baker 11  
Kari Bakkila 09  
Suzanne Balcom 11  
Tiffany Ball 11  
Jennifer Burgardi 11  
Laura Burgardi 09  
Jean Bargert 11  
Tiffany Barnes 09  
Erin Barrow 10  
Dawn Barton 09  
Sarah Barton 11  
Amanda Bassett 09  
Cherylyn Bayas 10  
Chadwick Bean 09  
Amanda Beaudry 09  
Danielle Behrendt 09

David Behrendt 10  
Chester Bell 10  
Matthew Bennett 09  
Adrienne Benson 09  
Jimmie Bentley 11  
Tabitha Benyo 10  
Misty Berry 09  
Jacob Bickoler 10  
Christopher Billin 10  
Jennifer Blair 11  
Eric Blake 11  
Leslie Blank 11  
Lisa Blank 09  
Jessica Blazer 11  
Jacob Blowe 10  
Darrell Blahshardt 10  
Kali Bobak 09  
Christine Bogdan 11  
Brittanie Bondie 11  
Jennifer Booth 11  
Jennifer Bookat 11  
Renee Bower 09  
Amberly Bowman 11  
Joel Boyd 09
How moral are Lincoln students? What is “morality” anyway? Morals pertain to the internal, unwritten rules that tell us the difference between right and wrong. For example, if you accidentally scrape the side of a parked Porsche and nobody sees you, do you leave an apology note with your number and/or insurance information? Seventy percent of Lincoln students would not, though morally, we know it is the “right” thing to do. Your morals determine your conscience.

There are six stages of morality, though most people never get past the first three or four. All small children, and some adults, fall into the first stage in which right and wrong is determined by a person’s own personal gain and avoidance of punishment. In the second stage, a person is still basically out for himself, but is willing to help others reach their goals, too, as long as there is a reward in return.

Stages three and four members understand and follow laws and rules. Stage three people do so in order to be viewed as “good people” by others, and stage four do because they realize it is for the good of society to follow rules. Most people never move beyond stages three and four.

Highly moral people fall into levels five and six. Five’s see beyond laws to uphold rights. Think Rosa Parks, for example. Very few have ever reached level six—they generally are willing to give their lives for their moral beliefs. Examples include Jesus, Gandhi and Martin Luther King, Jr.

So how do Lincoln students measure up? See for yourself: Fifty-five percent of students would be willing to cheat on a test to get into college, and forty percent would cheat even if they had signed an honor code. According to the survey, freshmen ranked highest in morality with fifty-two percent of the class having the “highest” morals, and doing what is considered to be the “honest and right thing to do”. Following the freshmen, the juniors came in second with only forty percent of the class having good morals. The sophomores and seniors seem to have the same morals with only thirty-six percent of the class having “good morals” and sixty-four percent having a difference of opinion.
Stop, Thief! Decisions, decisions. Does Jason Pinter '02 find the owner to the wallet or does he keep it for himself? We asked a similar question to the student body to find out what they would do. While sixty-three percent said that "yeah, of course I'd give it back," a low thirty-seven percent would pocket the wallet and not say a word. Tracy Fox '02 said that she would "probably give the money back to the person who dropped it." But for now, the decision is all Pinter's.
These days, students are very involved in what they listen to. Everywhere you turn you can hear someone's stereo system, whether it's a walkman, a discman or a car stereo, it's there blaring.

In a survey, fifty percent of the students polled would spend $400 - $600 and twenty-five percent would spend $800 - $1000 on a car stereo. When asked what she thought when she heard loud car stereos, Gayle Legault, mother of Heather Ringrose '02, stated, "They’re way too loud. I don’t like them at all and they drive me absolutely crazy."

What about the medical statistics verifying that loud stereo usage damages hearing? The facts do not seem to affect a teen’s decision to “crank the sound way up”. Jack Brown ‘02 said, “I don’t really care that loud music can damage my hearing, I’m not going to be able to hear when I am older anyway.” Brown, owner of a Pioneer stereo system, spent $750 on his sound system and plans to buy a new, louder system in the next six months.

Whether students have a car with a system or not, nearly all students have a walkman or a discman. Walking down the hallway before and after school, you see many students sitting in the cafeteria and in other various places in the school listening to their discmen, even though it is against the rules to bring them to school. This just goes to show that music must be an important part of a student’s everyday life.

Some may say that students listen to their music way too loud, or way too much, but music will always be important in students’ lives. Sounds like better and better stereos are here to stay.
Sounds Grrr-eat!

Kyle Hall '03 listens to his discman while talking to his friends before school every morning. Many students at Lincoln bring discmen and walkmen to school to listen to before class starts. Many students will even sit out in their parked cars just so they can listen to music from their car stereos. Then after school, the discmen and walkmen come out as students leave school to board the bus. You can always count on hearing at least one loud car stereo as cars leave the parking lot.
"Traditions". What do you think of when you hear that word? Tradition means many different things to many different people. Whether it be a holiday tradition, family tradition or something to do with the school.

Some students at Lincoln think we have a lack of tradition due to lack of school spirit. More pep assemblies and more activities having to do with the sports teams are just a few of the things students would like to do more traditionally. Some students, and even some teachers, believe that the lack of tradition and spirit may be due to the fact that we don’t really have a town or city to identify with, like surrounding schools do. “I think it would be cool to have something with businesses around here who give discounts to students from Lincoln. But everyone lives in Belleville, Milan or Ypsi and those towns have their own schools,” said Sarah Pearson ’02.

One thing that has been tradition in the past is changing this year. In previous volumes of the Liberator, Senior Mock Elections were featured. This year they will be omitted due to complaints about the 2000 publication. “I can’t believe there is going to be no mock election this year. That’s the first thing I turn to and I was really looking forward to voting my senior year,” said Tiffany Ball ’02.

Whether you like or dislike tradition, you’re going to find it everywhere you turn. A tradition can be started with just one event. Here’s a challenge for the entire LHS student body: Let’s take it upon ourselves and start some positive, long-lasting traditions for the years to come.
Spirit At Its Best!

Showing great sportsmanship, participants in the Tug-O-War, Kenneth Disney '04 and Brandon Vacek '04 tried to “out tug” the opposing class. The Tug-O-War competition is one of the pep assembly traditions. Other traditions with the students during spirit week are painting faces and hair blue and gray to try to show off their pride in Lincoln High School colors.

Did You Know?
Eighty-seven percent of the student body polled said that they like having some type of tradition at school and think there should be more.
There's a whole other world out there; a world of music which never quite makes it to "TRL". And that's OK. The musicians stick to basements, coffeehouses and other small venues. Their fans didn't hear them on the radio or see them on MTV. People hear about them by word of mouth and flyers. Picture this: you go to see the band and there are 100 people in this small building. Most are familiar faces and good friends. The show begins, the lights go out and the music starts. Kids line the walls and the back of the room. In front of the band is the mosh pit. The temperature rises and the pit starts to collide. It's a beautiful thing.

A popular place for local and indie band shows is Mr. Mugs, located on Michigan Avenue in Ypsilanti. Patrons go there to see bands such as Friction, Nobody's Heroes (R.I.P.), The Falsies, One Degree Off, Ten Inches Soft, Poison the Well, Foley, Thirteen (all Lincoln sophomores!) and many others.

Mark Michalik '03 is the bassist for the band Thirteen. Other members of Thirteen include Joshua Delano '03, Glen Davidson '03, Kyle LaFave '03 and William Dornbos '03. They have been a band since October, '99. They usually practice in Davidson's basement once or twice a week. As well as being in his own band, Michalik is also a fan of other local bands. When asked why he likes this type of music, Michalik said, "It's normal people who are really talented and make really great music."
Where's your brown bag?

Thirteen plays at a lunchbox performance. Glen Davidson '03 on drums, Mark Michalik '03 on bass and Joshua Delano '03 screaming.

Just Chillin'... at Mr. Mugs. Back row: Benjamin Burrell '01, Amanda Berry '01, Stacey Borough, Shannon Gagnon '01, Bobby Digital, Stephanie Peterson '01, Candace Reynolds '01, Tishia Carroll. Front: Hunter Boyd, Ryan McTaggert and Brian Borguno.

Underclassmen

Quentin Hooper 10
Robert Hooven 11
Amanda Hooven 09
Justin Hope 11
Daniel Hopkins 10
Jennifer Horn 10
Darryl Horton 11
Kenneth Horton 10

Jonathan Houston 11
Michael Howard-Pearshall 10
Adeline Howard 09
Brittany Hubbard 10
Bryan Hubert 10
Brooke Hudge 09
Thomas Hudge 11
Travis Huff 10

Sarah Hughes 10
Jaron Hull 11
Eric Husketh 09
Heather Husketh 11
Kristin Hussey 11
Michael Hussey 11
Heather Hyde 09
Nicole Imler 11

Joel Iwrig 09
Jessica Ing 09
Kenneth Ing 11
Ashley Ingram 09
Kristalynn Ingram 10
Nicholas Ingram 11
Stephanie Joan 09
Lisa Jackson 10

Jennette Jayne 10
Timothy Jayne 11
Jean Jervey 09
Logan Johns 10
Cecil Johnson 10
Eddie Johnson 11
Emily Johnson 09
Holly Johnson 10
How much sleep do teenagers really get? On average, the teens here at Lincoln get approximately 30 to 40 hours of sleep per week. The average teen only gets approximately five to seven hours of sleep per night. Since teens tend to get such little sleep it is likely that "students will sleep at least one class hour each day," according to Stanley Roberson '01. Most students said they would sleep mainly during tests or during note-taking time. Not getting enough sleep at night can be very stressful, especially when you are involved in sports or some other school activity.

Most students prefer to sleep in complete darkness. Lillian Cornett '03 said, "I tend to sleep better if I have some kind of background noise such as a fan or the radio."

Ninety percent of the students surveyed said they can concentrate more in school if they have had a good night's sleep. The other ten percent said it makes them really goofy and hyper.

Students find it very hard to get up in the morning, no matter what time they go to bed. Though the Lincoln average is between 11pm and midnight, Allyson Bunton '02 said, "No matter what time I go to bed, it doesn't help me get up any Earlier."

Sleep is a very important part of everyone's lives. It is important that your body gets the proper amount of sleep each night so that you can perform each day in school to the best of your ability.
Sweet Dreams, don't let the computer bug bite!
Robert Tackett '01 and James Poitier '01 catch a nap in Mr. Bargardi's computer class. A survey showed that the majority of students go to bed between 11 pm and midnight, and wake up anywhere between 5:30 and 6:30 am. "We don't go to bed too late, school just starts too early!" said Brian Lucier '02.
Studies indicate that teenagers need more sleep than any other age group due to rigorous schedules and rapidly changing bodies.
What pet is the best pet? Jennifer Bargardi '02 or Erica Cicotte '02 said they would pick yellow Labrador Retrievers, but with so many animals to choose from, how can you tell which pet is right for you? Chances are, if you asked someone around you, they would tell you the pros and cons of pet care in no time at all. Caring for pets, however, is no "walk in the park." Each pet brings about different needs and responsibilities. Allyson Bunton '02 likes her pet gerbils because, "they are easy to clean up after and care for", while Amber Glasgow '03 thinks that her horses are "Fun. But if you’re not responsible, you shouldn’t own one".

Pet owners always have tales to tell, both good and bad. "I lost my Cairn Terrier puppy in the back yard a week after we got him," said Aimee Kolesar '01. Cameron Richardson '04 reveals the fear she felt when her Golden Retriever had to have surgery on his leg. "I wasn’t sure that he would make it through," Richardson said. Some stories make us cry, others make us laugh, but whatever the case may be, animals hold a special place in our hearts.

Along with classic pets such as cats and dogs, fish, hamsters and birds prove to make popular pets. However, some people would prefer something a little different. "I would love to have a monkey; they are so cute and funny," said Jamie Edwards '02.

Whatever kind of pet you choose, it is sure to bring the entire family joy for many years to come. "Pets help bring a family together," said Emily Satanski '04.
Double Trouble.

After chasing them all over, Allyson Bunton '02 manages to catch her two gerbils, Bear and Pepper. These mischievous rodents are always getting loose, ending up in closets, dresser drawers and almost everywhere. Part of the excitement of owning a small pet is searching for them. Who knows where they will show up next? All animals, whether big or small, add fun and excitement to their owner's lives.
Picture this: it’s a Friday night and you’re at your football game. Things are going well when suddenly a fight breaks out in the stands. You look from the field or court to try and see which two kids are fighting, when you realize that it’s your mom fighting with some other woman! Sound familiar? Although it seems like a nightmare, it’s becoming a reality. All over the news there have been stories of parents fighting with other parents, coaches and/or refs and even their own children. This year, there was an incident at a little league game in Texas. A parent came down from the stands and started screaming at his son in front of everyone because he struck out. Last winter at a youth hockey game, two parents from opposing teams also got into a fight over a penalty, which resulted in the death of one father. Lincoln’s JV Football Coach Eric Johnson said, “I think it is unfortunate that athletes have to see their parents behave in such ways.”

Why are parents allowing themselves to get so caught up in their child’s sport? It’s understandable that they love their children and want to see them succeed, but is it really fair for them to behave the way they do? Part of the problem parents sometimes have is that they think their child is the best and the coach should play them where they want them to play. They make it a point to always be at practices and always be that little “bug” in the coach’s ear. How are other players supposed to feel when they get their spot taken away by someone who didn’t earn it? Varsity football player Greg Dochych ’01 said, “It makes me feel like I can’t win no matter how hard I try. I also feel like what’s the point of going to practice and working my butt off if I’m never going to get my chance.”

Another problem with a parent always being around the coach at practice is that it affects the decision-making process of where the athlete gets to play. Is it because of all the hard work and dedication the athlete puts in or is it simply because of how influenced the coach is by what the parent has told him or her? In some cases it is true that the coach overlooks all of one athlete’s accomplishments just so he can please a parent and let their kid play where they want them.

Parents need to stop living their sports dreams through their children. They need to let the coaches make the decision of which spot is best for the athlete to play. They need to be better “sports” or stay home.
Defense, Defense! Lifelong-sports-fan Mike Bargardi, a teacher at Lincoln High School and father of basketball players Jennifer '02 and Laura '04 Bargardi, cheers loud at a recent boy's basketball game. "I can always tell where my dad is sitting at my games because of how loud he is yelling. It's usually at me or the refs," said Jennifer about her father. Mr. Bargardi tries to attend all of the games he can for both basketball and softball.
How many times have you been listening to music and thought to yourself, “I can’t believe they just said that!”? Well, according to freshmen, this has happened many times. Eighty percent of freshmen said they have been offended by song lyrics, compared to sixty percent of seniors, forty percent of juniors and twenty percent of sophomores. These results may suggest that the ones most offended by degrading lyrics are younger teenagers and mature young adults.

Most of the lyrics that offend students are rap lyrics, such as the words spoken by Eminem, Sisqo, Ruff Ryders, Cash Money Millionaires, etc., said to degrade women and/or homosexuals.

But the real question is, should something be done about it? Eighty-five percent of students polled said that there is nothing we can, or should, do about it since the First Amendment allows freedom of speech. However, the remaining fifteen percent said that something should be done. “Singers nowadays are allowed to say whatever they want. They are supposed to be role models,” said Christopher Perino ‘04.

Some people think that singers should be censored because it may influence what a child does. When asked if song lyrics affect how teenagers behave, Tabatha Waller ‘04 said, “It really all depends on the person. I feel that if you want your music to influence you, most likely it will. And if you think music has nothing to do with the way you act, it won’t.” Who knows? Next year, we might be living in a world with nothing but boy bands, pop teen queens and country music crossovers. And that’s a scary thought to some.
WARNING! This is the label Andrew Wilson '03 sees on his new cd. This label may prevent some children from buying music considered inappropriate. Censorship is defined as: The act of suppressing or deleting anything considered objectionable. Elizabeth Lancot '01 said, "Censorship is protecting us from what the government thinks is bad... taking away our freedom of speech." Is it okay for the government to decide what we can listen to?

"If kids can't buy the CDs and hear bad words on there, they have to listen to their parents use those words anyway."
-Eric Fleksen '01

Sonia Saddler 11
Thomas Salas 09
Craig Salas 09
Sanaa Samadani 09
Sidra Samadani 09
Sarah Sancho 11
Jennifer Santoro 10
Shannon Santure 11

Emily Santuski 09
Jennifer Saylor 11
Melissa Scherer 10
Jonathan Scherrer 11
Jonathan Schmidt 10
Timothy Schneider 09
David Schrag 09
Adam Schrock 11

Anna Schrock 10
Toby Schroeder 10
Jason Seaver 11
Brian Seiler 11
Desiree Sews 11
Ryan Shell 10
Melissa Shepler 09
Brian Shevrotsch 10

Shahera Shafkat 09
Aaron Shukten 10
Christopher Shukten 09
Kimberly Silva 09
Desiree Sims 10
Brian Siris 09
Lisa Slootjes 10
Ashley Smalley 11

Laura Smerek 10
Abby Smith 10
Amber Smith 09
Jennifer Smith 11
Jeremy Smith 11
Abby Smith 11
Jimmy Stipes 10
Tania Stipes 11
It’s sophomore year, and you just picked up your new class ring. What are you going to do with it? Flaunt it, of course! You put all that work into choosing the right ring for you and spent all that cold, hard cash on it, so why not? That’s the glory of it all. Sophomore year is the time for students to choose personalized rings from Jostens’ wide variety of styles, colors, karats and engraving. What could be better than this and graduation for a teenager? It’s a major milestone. The most important part of the ring for Tobie Robinette ‘03 is, “It symbolizes me and it’s mine.”

Choosing a ring is one of the biggest decisions of a teen’s young life. They will have it forever, literally, since rings are covered by Jostens’ Lifetime Warranty and Ring Insurance policies. “If my ring was lost, since it’s insured, I’ll get a new one,” said Sarah Lambert ‘03. So there is no need to worry.

The ring’s cost has a wide range, depending on the type of ring chosen such as “Heritage” or “Achiever”. The detail and stone also make a difference. In the end, the final cost can range anywhere from $75 to $500. This can be a hefty amount for a fifteen-year-old. Not to worry, because Mom and Dad usually end up with the bill; you are all taken care of.

So when it’s your senior year and you are so sad to be leaving all your friends and your memories behind, you can just look at your class ring and remember all your high school years. It will help you to remember all those old friends and long-forgotten gossip. It’s a significant experience and you will want to “ring in the years” over and over.
Oooh Ahhh!! Best friends Tahira Gray '02 and Sarah Lambert '02 smile gid-dily like kids in a candy store. They are sharing their first look at their class rings together. It is obvious they are both very satisfied with their choices. This class has patiently awaited the delivery of their class rings, which was delayed due to several snow days. The rescheduling caused some anxiety, but finally the rings arrived. It was definitely worth the wait for these girls.

Did you know?
The cost of a class ring ranges from $75 to $500, depending on style, stone, weight, etc.
When we step into our cars, we turn on the stereo. When we need information, we look it up on the computer. When something happens at school, we use the telephone to call our friends. And finally, is the television ever off in your house? But which of these inventions could you not go without? Students were asked this question. Here's what was chosen by LHS students: Thirty-two percent chose the telephone, twenty-five percent said the television, twenty percent voted for the stereo and fifteen percent selected the computer. It’s highly unlikely that anyone could go one day without using one of the choices above. “I can live without the other choices, but I need my music! The computer is my second choice,” said Genia Dean ’03. Eight percent chose “other” for the invention they could not live without.

Each of these inventions are a big part of our daily lives. Meme Oates ’02 said, “I have to be able to talk with my friends and family everyday. Without the phone I would be lost.” The telephone is very important, but what about the leftover eight percent of votes going to the “other” category? What other inventions can teens not live without? Some suggestions offered were: Playstation, cars, video games, airplanes, air conditioning, VCRs, etc. “What about light? Who could possibly live without that?” said Lashana Turner ’03. Good point! And finally, “I think deodorant is the best invention because if we didn’t have it, there would be a lot of funky people in the world! I know I wouldn’t talk to anybody if they didn’t wear deodorant,” said Rashawn Quinzy ’02. What invention would you choose?
Typing towards the future! "I grew up using computers, if they were banished, I'd drop off the face of the Earth!" said Robbie Cureton '01 (left). Most of us wouldn't go that far, but we get the picture. Next to Cureton is Jasmine Frazier '01. Both girls are working very hard on their government project; a due date is steadily approaching. Like countless other LHS students, they're using the library computers to do so. By the look on their faces, they've got a long way to go.

"I think the refrigerator is the best invention. If we didn't have it, all the food would rot and we would have a lot of waste and pollution!"

Maeve Amosow '02

Brandon Wilson 11
Johnathon Wilson 10
Noeya Wilson 11
Patrick Wilson 09
Roy Wilson 09
Walker Wilson 11
Gregory Wintana 11
Susan Winkle 09

Adam Winck 10
Jared Whitrow 09
Joanna Whitrow 11
Heather Wilt 10
Nicholas Woodall 09
Travis Woods 09
James Wood 11
Kathryn Wright 10

Marc Wyche 09
Melissa Wyle 10
Marcia Wyne 10
Megan Wysocket 11
Sherman Tarburough 11
Ryan Yargous 09
Taylor Yates 09
Christopher Yonge 11

Anthony Young 11
Crystal Young 11
Joseph Young 11
Matthew Young 09
Suzette Young 09
Ryan Zahle 10
Jessica Zielinski 09
Kristina Zielinski 11
When you think of being on a deserted island, the first thing that possibly comes to mind is the hot sun beating down on your face, with no food or water and being all alone with no one to talk to (except maybe a beat-up volleyball named “Wilson” if you’re Tom Hanks in *Cast Away*). Another thing that might come to mind is the television show that kept Americans of all ages glued to their TV sets Wednesday nights all last summer watching people of different ages, orientations and ethnic backgrounds duke it out on an island to see who is the biggest, the boldest, the baddest of them all...the “Survivor”! (For those who do live on a deserted island—Richard won Survivor 1).

So, if you were trapped on a deserted island you surely would not want to stay there empty-handed. You would want to bring things that you use in everyday life, things that you just can’t live without. Which three things would you bring on a deserted island? Suprisingly, not one Lincoln student said the television set. Some of the things people picked were lap top computers, cd players and Mountain Dew.

Who would you want to be trapped on a deserted island with? A majority of students said that they would bring their girlfriend or boyfriend with them, but beating that out were celebrities such as Britney Spears, Carmen Electra and Justin Timberlake of *NSYNC. “Justin Timberlake is the hottest guy ever,” said Heather Riggs ’02.

Overall, as society moves into the age of technology and communication, we are increasingly unable to live without the tools which keep us connected to family and friends: Oh, and don’t forget the Mountain Dew.

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**Not Pictured:**
Melissa Arnold ’04, Carrie Asher ’02, Leslie Barry ’04, Kyle Basset ’03, Jessica Beagle ’04, Andrea Belcher ’03, Richard Belisle ’02, Amanda Bentley ’02, Crystal Boggs ’02, Issac Bolin ’03, Jillian Brown ’02 Brian Captain ’04 Derek Cichewicz ’03, Gregory Collins ’03, Crysta Cowan ’03, Ambur Croll ’04, Ericka Cross ’02, Jonathon Cruze ’03, Scherell Dodson ’04, Todd England ’02, Ryan Franklin ’02, Timothy Frisbee ’02, Tracy Fryer ’02, Melissa Garrett ’02, Brian Generazio ’02, Christopher Gillum ’04, Angela Gilmore ’04, Stephanie Gobie ’04, Jennifer Gutierrez ’03, Shasta Guy ’02, Robert Hamel ’02, Jane Hammond ’03, Jessica Hanink ’04, Tiffany Hardiman ’04, Rachel Hardiman ’03.

**Which Three Items Would You Bring with You on a Deserted Island?**

By Timothy Penrud ’02

- Richard Hill ’03, Alec Houston ’02, Steven Inch ’04, Melissa Ivey ’03, Niniah Jones ’03, Nissan Jones ’03, Bradley Jordan ’02, Dimitar Karaytchev ’02, Slava Karaytchev ’02, Yvonne Kierczak ’03, Julie Kordupel ’02, Christopher Larson ’02, Caitlin Lawson ’03, Tiffany Lenderman ’03, David Lewis ’03, Nicholas Majeski ’03, Tamika Mann ’03, Alisha Maples ’03, Bridgette Marcell ’03, Samuel McCormick ’02, Matthew McCurdy ’02, Lukas McParlan ’04, Matthew Mercer ’03, Natalie Mitchell ’03, Brandon Neel ’03, Anthony Nyberg ’04, Emma Pagano ’04, Joshua Pillinger ’02, Rashawn Quinzy ’02, Christopher Ramirez ’02, David Randall ’04, Lauren Roberts ’02, Alica Sarr ’04, Jonathon Schultz ’03, Kenneth Seeley ’03, Brandon Sewell ’02, Jamie Shaner ’02, Rachel Shankle ’03, Robert Sims ’03, Jwan Smith ’03, Sharmin Smith ’03, Raechel Swangan ’02, Lauren Taylor ’02, Ka’shania Thrower ’02, Matthew Truax ’03, Latoya Turner ’04, Stephanie Turner ’04, Brett VanWasshnova ’03, Ian Waldron ’02, Paul Wanty ’02, Joseph Wetzel ’02, Ronald Wilson ’04, Danielle Wojtowicz ’03, Lawrence Woodall II ’04 and Gerald Woodard ’03.

**Apologies to anyone we may have missed!**
Telephones for all! Talking to her mom on a cell phone, like she might do if she were stranded on a deserted island is Jessica Cox '03. "One of the three things I would bring on a deserted island would be a cell phone so I can keep in touch with my friends and family. And also to call for help to get me the heck off that island!" Just like Cox, a majority of students chose cell phones as their number one choice as what they would bring if they were trapped on a deserted island.

By Kelly Stange '01 and Timothy Penird '02
Sponsoring a class is not something that is easy to do, but it can be a lot of fun and a great learning experience. "It's great working with students on more entertaining (at least most of them) projects. It allowed me to see another side of the students," said senior class sponsor, Ms. Cynthia Maxwell.

There are many reasons for becoming a class sponsor, but all who replied said that they wanted to be more involved in the school and with the students. Junior class sponsor Mr. Ron McCarty said, "I had given up coaching and still wanted to be involved with extracurricular activities. I like watching kids take on more than they can handle, then helping them find ways to get through it."

Some of the responsibilities of being a class sponsor are: supervising the building of floats, fund raising, decorating halls, decorating walls, Prom and Graduation organization, class meetings, Homecoming and Cominghome organization and the senior class trip. All the sponsors who responded said they had enjoyed sponsoring their class.

This year's class sponsors were: Seniors - Ms. Diane Briggman and Ms. Maxwell; Juniors - Ms. Kerin Carlson and Mr. McCarty; Sophomores - Mrs. Cassandra Joseph and Ms. Karen Lewis; and Freshmen - Mr. Jonathan Follo.

"The best part of being a class sponsor had to be watching the sophomores make grown-up decisions. I would probably do it again, but it is somewhat time consuming, I have three children who are very involved at their own schools," said Lewis, a sophomore class sponsor.
Mr. Al Widner

Current Position: Superintendent of Lincoln Consolidated Schools

Universities Attended and Degrees Earned: Michigan State University—Educational Specialist in Education Administration; Western Michigan University—Masters of Arts in Counselling and Personnel; Bachelor of Science in Physical Education and Speech.

Previous Positions Held: Superintendent of Concord Community and Dundee Community Schools; Principal at Concord High and Concord Middle Schools.

Dr. Sandra Harris

Current Position: Assistant Superintendent of Lincoln Consolidated Schools

Universities Attended and Degrees Earned: Eastern Michigan University—Bachelors Degree in Business Education; Masters Degree in Guidance and Counseling; Educational Specialists Degree in Educational Leadership; Doctorate Degree in Educational Leadership.

Previous Positions Held: Director of Human Resources; Administrator of Human Resource Services; Assistant Director in Career Technology Education; Ann Arbor Public Schools; Assistant Principal and Vocational Coordinator, Pioneer High School; Business Education Teacher, Clague Intermediate School.

Mr. Lonnie Proffitt

Current Position: Principal of Lincoln High School

Universities Attended and Degrees Earned: Central Michigan University—Bachelor's Degree in Education; and currently enrolled in a Masters Program at Eastern Michigan University.

Previous Positions Held: Social Studies Teacher and Assistant Principal, Lincoln High School; Computer/Science/Social Studies Teacher, Lincoln Middle School and Besse Hoffman Elementary.

Mr. J. Calvin White

Current Position: Assistant Principal of Lincoln High School

Universities Attended and Degrees Earned: Eastern Michigan University—Masters Degree in Educational Leadership and Bachelors Degree in Business Education and Marketing; Maintenance Officer's Basic Course, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland.

Previous Positions Held: Assistant Principal, Comstock High School; Business Teacher, Saginaw Township Heritage High School; At-Risk Teacher, Center for Occupational and Personalized Education; Environmental Services Supervisor, University of Michigan; Supply Sergeant/Fire Direction Chief, United States Army; Promotion from Captain to Major, United States Army.

By Kelly Stange '01
Tara Long: Senior Ad Pg: 121
IV B-ball: 9, V B-ball: 10, 11, 12, F, Volleyball: 9, V Soccer: 12, Track: 9, 10, 11, Student Council: 9, 10, Newspaper: 12, Teacher’s Aide: 11, 12

Roland Lynn: F Football: 9, JV Football: 10, V Football: 11, 12, F B-ball: 9, JV B-ball: 10, V b-ball: 12, Track: 9, 10, 11, 12

James Mack: Lacrosse: 11, 12, V, Soccer: 10, 11, 12, Co-op: 12

Lisa Martic: F Volleyball: 9, Concert Band: 9, 10, 11, Marching Band: 9, 10, 11, Pep Band: 9, 10, 11, RCTC: 12, Teacher’s Aide: 12

Samantha Masser: RCTC: 12

Amanda Mate: Golf: 10, 11, 12, Teacher’s Aide: 12

Samantha Mayville: Senior Ad Pg: 137
Equestrian: 11, 12, Concert Choir Women: 9, 10, 11, 12, Split Dimensions: 10, NHS: 10, 11, 12, Student Council: 10, 11, 12, Drama: 9, 10, 11, 12

Melinda McNulty: Senior Ad Pg: 136

Kelly McCue: Cross Country: 9, 10, 11, JV Soccer: 9, V Soccer: 10, 11, 12, Foreign Exchange: 10, 11

Gary (Jake) McKenzie: RCTC: 10, 11, 12

Sherry McMahon: Women’s Chorus: 10, USO: 10, 11, 12, 6th Grade Camp: 11, Co-op: 12

Alana Mellingor: Drama: 11
Nicholas Merkel: Senior Ad Pg: 134
V Soccer: 9, 10, 11, 12, Track: 10, 11, 12, NHS: 10, 11, 12, WLHS: 11, 6th Grade Camp: 11, 12

Sean Middlelich: Drama: 10, 11

Kelli Morawski: JV B-ball: 9, V B-ball: 10, 11, 12, F Volleyball: 9, JV Volleyball: 10, V Volleyball: 11, 12, JV Softball: 9, 10, V, Softball: 11, 12

Foreign Exchange: 9, 10, 11, 12, WLHS: 12, Co-op: 12

Alex Moff: Hockey: 9, 10, 11, 12, Lacrosse: 11, 12, Wrestling: 9, Talent Show: 12

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Steven Mini: The Men of Lincoln: 12, Drama: 9, Cadet Teaching: 12, 6th Grade Camp: 11, 12, Teacher’s Aide: 12, Office Aide: 12, Library Aide: 12

Sarah Morris: Student Council: 11, Drama: 9, Newspaper: 10, Class Vice President: 10, Class Rep: 11, Library Aide: 12

Emily Nichols: Senior Ad Pg: 130 F B-ball: 9, IV B-ball: 10, 11, Cross Country: 12, JV Soccer: 9, V Soccer: 10, 11, 12, Concert Band: 9, 10, 11, 12, Marching Band: 9, 10, 11, 12, Pep Band: 9, 10, 11, 12, NHS: 10, 11, Yearbook: 11, 12, Cadet Teaching: 12, 6th Grade Camp: 12, Teacher’s Aide: 12

Amanda Nitz: Concert Band: 9, 10, 11, Marching Band: 9, 10, 11, Pep Band: 9, 10, 11, Cadet Teaching: 12

Lennie Norris: RCTC: 11, 12, Office Aide: 10

Robert Ostrowski: Senior Ad Pg: 139

P

Daniel Panzer: Lacrosse: 11, 12, V, Soccer: 9, 10, 11, 12, Yearbook: 11, 12, Co-op: 12

Kimberely Parker: Concert Band: 9, 10, 11, Marching Band: 9, 10, 11, Pep Band: 9, 10, 11, Co-op: 12

Danae Peterson: Drama: 10, Yearbook: 10, RCTC: 12

Stephanie Peterson: Senior Ad Pg: 125
Women’s Chorus: 10, SADD: 11, Drama: 9, 10, 11, 12, Cadet Teaching: 12, Talent Show: 10, 11, 12, 6th Grade Camp: 11, 12, Teacher’s Aide: 10

Laura Petrich: Concert Band: 9, RCTC: 11, 12

Aaron Pilette: Wrestling: 12, Co-op: 12

Jill Pinter: Senior Ad Pg: 122 F B-ball: 9, JV B-ball: 10, Golf: 9, 10, 11, 12, NHS: 10, 11, 12, Talent Show: 9, 10, 11, 12, 6th Grade Camp: 11, Teacher’s Aide: 11

Lindsey Pinter: Senior Ad Pg: 127 Fall Cheerleading: 11, Winter Cheerleading: 9, 10, 11, 12, Track: 9, 10, Student Council: 12, Newspaper: 12

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Laura Quaas: F Volleyball: 9, JV, Volleyball: 10, JV Softball: 9, 10, V, Softball: 11, Symphonic Band: 9, 10, 11, 12, Marching Band: 9, 10, 11, 12, Pep Band: 9, 10, 11, 12, NHS: 10, 11, 12, Foreign Exchange: 9, 10

R

Heinrik Rang: Track: 12, Foreign Exchange: 12, Library Aide: 12

Charles Reed: JV Football: 10, V, Football: 11, 12, IV B-ball: 10, V B-ball: 10, 11, 12, Track: 10, Candace Reynolds: SADD: 10, 9, 10, 11, 12, Foreign Exchange: 9, 10, 11, 12, Drama: 9, 10, 11, 12, USO: 9, 10, 11, 12, WLHS: 11, Cadet Teaching: 12, Talent Show: 9, 10, 11, 12

Robert Robinson: Senior Ad Pg: 121 F Football: 9, JV Football: 10, V Football: 11, 12, Track: 10, Wrestling: 10, 11, 12

David Rolls: Senior Ad Pg: 125 Foreign Exchange: 9, 10, 11, 12, 6th Grade Camp: 12

Ryan Rose: F Football: 9, RCTC: 11, Co-op: 12

Jill Russell: RCTC: 12, Library Aide: 12

Busty Ruffer: WLHS: 12, Cadet Teaching: 12

Maeve Russell: USO: 10, 11, RCTC: 10, Talent Show: 11, Co-op: 12

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Tia Saliain: JV Soccer: 9, 10, 11, Cadet Teaching: 12, Teacher’s Aide: 10

Julie Schaller: F B-ball: 9, F Volleyball: 9, JV Softball: 9, 10, V Softball: 11, Concert Band: 9, 10, Symphonic Band: 11, Marching Band: 9, 10, 11, Pep Band: 9, 10, 11, 6th Grade Camp: 12, Teacher’s Aide: 11, Co-op: 12
Stephanie Schrock: Women's Chorus: 9, 11, 12, Co-op: 12
Adam Schrock: Wrestling: 11, 12, RCTC: 11, 12
Staci Schubert: Fall Cheerleading: 9, 11, Winter Cheerleading: 9, 11, JV Softball: 9, 10, 12, Women's Chorus: 9, 10, Student Council: 9, 11, Foreign Exchange: 10, Drama: 9, USO: 9, 10, Yearbook: 11, 12, Kadet Teaching: 11, Class Secretary: 9, Class Rep: 11, Co-op: 12
Lonnie Scott: Senior Ad Pg: 124 The Men of Lincoln: 9, 10, 11, 12, NHS: 10, 11, 12, SADD: 9, Drama: 9, 10, 11, 12, WLHS: 9, Class President: 10, 11, 12, Class Rep: 9, Talent Show: 12, 6th Grade Camp: 11, 12
Patrick Smith: Senior Ad Pg: 129 Lacrosse: 11, 12, JV Soccer: 10, V Soccer: 9, 11, 12, Swimming: 9, 10, 11, Foreign Exchange: 11, WLHS: 12, 6th Grade Camp: 12
Justin Sonst: Hockey: 10, 11, Co-op: 12
Kelly Stange: Senior Ad Pg: 126 WLHS: 10, Yearbook: 11, 12, 6th Grade Camp: 11, Teacher's Aide: 11, 12, Talent Show: 9
Gary Steen: Cross Country: 9, 10, 11, 12, F. Volleyball: 9, JV Volleyball: 10, Track: 9, 10, 11, 12, NHS: 10, 11, 12, Newspaper: 11, WLHS: 12, Teacher's Aide: 12
Bob Tackett: JV Football: 10, V Football: 11, 12, RCTC: 11, 12
Adam Thompson: RCTC: 10
Amada Thompson: Senior Ad Pg: 123 Track: 9, 10, 11, 12, Foreign Exchange: 12, Yearbook: 11, 12, Co-op: 12
William Tudor: The Men of Lincoln: 9, 10, 11, 12, Library Aide: 12
Erik Tyler: Senior Ad Pg: 137 V Soccer: 9, 10, 11, 12, Track: 11, 12
Rachel Voich: F B-ball: 9, Cross Country: 10, 11, 12, JV Soccer: 9, 10, V Soccer: 11, 12, Symphonic Band: 9, 10, 11, 12, Marching Band: 9, 10, 11, 12, Pep Band: 9, 10, 11, 12, NHS: 10, 11, 12
Brian Wade: WLHS: 12, Co-op: 12
Mamie Walker: RCTC: 12
Shawn Washington: JV Football: 10, V. Football: 11, 12

Joseph Weber: Jazz Band: 9, 10, 11, 12, Symphonic Band: 12, Concert Band: 9, 10, 11, Marching Band: 9, 10, 11, Pep Band: 9, 10, 11

The Road Not Taken
by Robert Frost

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth,

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.

—1916

Senior Directory by Emily Nichols '01, Co-Editor
Decks the wall with senior spirit! New for Homecoming this year, students decorated a wall by the gym. This year’s theme was board games. Seniors came in first place with their version of “Mouse Trap”.

Monster Madness! Seniors take first place for their rendition of Godzilla wearing a Lincoln football jersey during the Homecoming parade. This would be the seniors’ last float, so they put a lot of hard work and many hours into building it.

Tears of joy. Breah Whitlow ’01 was crowned Homecoming Queen. Celebrating her Homecoming win, Whitlow hugs Dolly Aduara’a ’01. She was crowned during the halftime festivities at the Homecoming game.

A lasting moment. Stephanie Peterson ’01, Candace Reynolds ’01 and Alex Motts ’01 come together to make their last Homecoming Pep Assembly one to remember.
A BRIDGE TO OUR FUTURE

Seniors! Seniors live up to their name. Spreading “Senioritis” throughout the gymnasium during the Homecoming Pep Assembly. Seniors came in first place against the underclassmen.

One, two, three...PULL! Determination is on this senior’s face to pull the sophomores out of the game. Jillian Faitel ’01 participates in tug-o’-war during the Cominghome Pep Assembly.

Everyone looks forward to their senior year; it is a year of respect and honor. It’s an ending and a new beginning. We are finally seniors and we won’t let anyone forget it.

Despite our excitement at the advent of graduation, we can’t forget how far we have come in the past four years. The memories we have will last us a lifetime. Now we go forth to face the challenge of a new independence, a new life and a promising future.

Congratulations Class of 2001!

By Emily Nichols ’01
Congratulations
Class of 2001: Adams - Beachem

From Adam Czarnocki:
"I guess I could be pretty depressed about everything that's happened over the past few years. But it's hard to stay mad when there is so much beauty in the world."
- Kevin Spacey, in the movie American Beauty

From Rachel Vock:
"Who knows where thoughts come from? They just appear."
- Empire Records

From Kenneth Adams:
"When one door closes, another opens. But we often we look so long and so hopefully upon the closed door that we do not see the ones which open for us."
- Stephen Napiar

From Michael Baker:
"When I was here, I often wished that I wasn't. Now that I can't be, I often wish that I would have."
- Justin Ernst
Class of 2001: Bell - Bukowski

Elizabeth Bell

Amanda Berry

Christopher Bielak

Eric Bobak

Amberly Bowman

From Candace Reynolds:
"You only live once, so live for yourself, not everyone else.
You were born into a mind of your own for one reason only...to think for yourself."
-Unknown

Missing Pieces:
Nicole Booker, Chelsea Bredek, Timothy Browning
Brittany Bryant

"Do 'em dirty!"
(Cross Country saying)
-Noah Bukis

From Charles Reed:
"Watch your thoughts, they become words, watch your words they become actions, watch your actions they become character, watch your character it becomes destiny."
-Unknown

Thomas Bradner

Jason Brantham

Lysa Bredeweg

Aaron Brewer

Ben Brewer

Michelle Brinks

Kevin Brunell

Noah Bukis

Luzanna Bukowski
"My time at Lincoln has been great. I’m very happy that I had the chance to accumulate the friends that I have and the skills that I have gained. Goodbye Lincoln High."
- Leilani Beachum

"It is no small thing to be who you are, instead of who the world wants you to be. It is no small thing."
- Kevin Hamlin

From Amberly Fossum:
"If you want to be somebody and if you want to go somewhere you better wake up and pay attention."
- From the movie Sister Act

From Daniel Holland:
"Success usually comes to those who are too busy to be looking for it."
- Steven Napier
"Even though life is a mystery, know that there is good in all things."
- Folly Stone

"If you want something said, ask a man, if you want something done, ask a woman."
- Molly Arcock

"I do not regret the things I have done, only the things that I have not done."
- Roosevelt

"Without struggle there is no success."
- Frederick Douglas

"Missing Pieces:
John Dalton, Gregory Dearduff, Steven Dushman, Alfred Dorsey Jr., Justin Ernest, Edricia Espinosa,"

From Jason Williams:

From Steven Fokalski:

Anthony Dewalt

Stephine Dougherty

Daniel Douglas

Elizabeth Eberbach

Euan Eldred

Ezrauel Enriz

Jillian Faitel

Anna Dejesus

Tiffany Davis

Trinity Faitel

Gregory Dobyer

Kerry Edwards

Jillian Faitel
Class of 2001: Fifield - Hall

Steven Fifield

Matthew Foster

Jasmine Frazier

Connie Fullerton

Shannon Gagnon

Rochelle Jobie

Tiffany Godsey

Shannon Gray

Kevin Griffin

Kevin Griffin

Tiffany Godsey

Christopher Garton

Shasta Guy

Sandra Haddad

Julie Hagerman

Amy Hall

From Amber Harris: "Some people see things as they are and say why, I see things as they may be and ask why not?"

- Robert Kennedy

Missy Rogers: John Finley III, Eric Fraker, Scott Sudhre

My view toward everything: "I'll do it later."

- Patrick Smith

"It was an honor to be able to perform on stage with such a talented group of people this year in our musical, "Seussical". The whole production, including the people involved, will be something I will always remember."

- Jeffrey Barden

From Emily Nichols: "You must look into people as well as at them."

- Chesterfield

From Mary Nichols: "You must look into people as well as at them."

- Chesterfield
Jeremy Hall

Kevin Hamlin

Amber Harris

Chad Harwood

Julie Hayes

Daniel Halland, Amber Hudson, Russell Huff, Angelica Johnson

There will never be a better Spanish 4 class than Mrs. Fisher's 4th hour this year.

-Lindy Vibo

Justein

Kevin

Amanda

Jennifer

Nicole

Eric

Jessica

Michael

Hamlin

Harris

Higgins

Hook

Houston

Jackson

Johnson
From Aimee Kolesar:
"What doesn’t kill us makes us stronger.”
-Nietzsche

"Enjoy high school while you are here. Graduation may be the start to a new, free life, but it’s the end to everything and everyone you have ever known.”
-Robert Robinette

From Sarah Maxin:
"The pen is mightier than the sword.”
-Lord Byron

"The best memory would have to be the friendships I’ve made and will keep after this is over.”
-Alana Melinger
From Emily Lamberger: “A man of genius has been seldom ruined, but by himself.” — Unknown

Missing Pieces:
- Michael Lavoie
- Daniel Lawery
- Amber Letzaro
- Michael Leu
- Calvin Lewis
- Daniel Lewis
- Emily Leopold
- Charles Lynas
- Danielle Massingill

From Kelly Farbe: “No matter how thin you slice it, it’s still bikini.” — Alfred Emanuel Smith

“Fifty: Nine cent cheeseburger
Sunday.” — Glad Stic
From Jill Pinter:
"In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity."
-Albert Einstein

"Don't frown, you never know when someone is falling in love with your smile."
-Amanda Berry

Missing Pieces:
Sean Keddie, Leonard Newland, Daniel Ostrowder

From Anthony Dewalt:
"It's great to be here."
-Jeff Daniels

"Running into the pole in volleyball at Ann Arbor, my sophomore year! I had to go to the hospital for ten stitches."
-Linsey Pinter
Daniel Panzer

Adam Pearce

Stephanie Peterson

Haron Pilotte

"For Baha, Dennis' and Pansy's memory! For midnight riders and AP Biology review. For four years of memories. Thank you!"
- Steven Fifteld

Missing Pieces
Kimberly Parker, Danaya Peterson, Tabetha Pollard,
Donald Rosaler

"Knowledge speaks, wisdom listens. So why am I telling you this?"
- Sean Middleditch

"Uh...ya don't say?"
- Jasmine Frazier

"I'm mad you said that."
- Kate Lay

Jill Pinter

Jill Puciniczak

James Poitevint

Christin Polzin

Andrew Poole

Laura Porter

Laura Quashnie

Henrik Rang

Charles Reed
If you have a good attitude, you will get far in life. A bad attitude will slow you down.
- Theresa Burris

"Stay on top of your grades and don't fall behind. Listen to your parents, because what they say is true."
- Keith Allen

"My best memory was when I got stuck in the mud and the football team pushed me out."
- Melissa Lundy
Class of 2001: Stumpf - Watson

Jennifer Stumpf

“Spirit week is my best memory. Everyone should do it because it is one of the only times you can have an excuse to dress like an idiot.”
- Jonathan Vankyn

“Don’t screw up your freshman year. It’ll hurt you in the long run.”
- Emily Ashwender

Ka’ shania Thrower

“My best memory was cheering on my class during the Pep Assembly. Seniors Rule!”
- Laura Ventura

“The senior Pep Assembly and playing basketball were my best memories.”
- Kelly Monowski

Scott Tupac

Jonathan Van Ryn

Enrik Utso

Rachel Vonck

Brian Wade

Manie Waller

Lyndsy Ward

Shawn Washington

Matthew Watson
From Nathan Locey:
"In the end, we will remember not
the words of our enemies, but the
silence of our friends."
-Martin Luther King, Jr.

"If we can’t be free at least
we can be cheap."
-Eric Beldin

From Daniel Lavery:
"Yesterday is history, tomorrow is
a mystery, today is a gift."
-Stephen

From Kevin Brunell:
"Nothing gold can stay."
-Robert Frost

Class of 2001: Whitlow - Zielinski

Breah Whitlow

Gregory Vier

Jason Williams

Miriam Williams

William Wilson

Matthew Will

Natalie Woloszyn

Brian Woods

Ryan Yoakam

Michael Zooli

Daniel Zielinski
Lights, Camera, Action! The sixth graders acted out skits on Wednesday night. Matthew Watson ‘01 gives an example of what skit night is all about.

Cabin Leaders:

Jan. 29 - Feb. 3: Andrew Poole ‘01, Heather Archer ‘02, Eniale Beachem ‘01, Eric Blake ‘02, Lauren Burdette ‘01, Erica Cicotte ‘02, Steve Fifield ‘01, Jimmie Hasse ‘02, Heidi Heiss ‘02, Dant’e Herron ‘01, Angelica Johnson ‘01, Lauren McParlan ‘02, David Mitchell ‘02, Douglas Mourer ‘02, Douglas Patton ‘02, Elizabeth Smith ‘02, Patrick Smith ‘01, Sara Wachmann ‘02, Breah Whitlow ‘02.

Feb. 12 - 16: Heather Arens ‘02, Heather Atkins ‘02, Tiffany Ball ‘02, Jack Brown ‘02, Robin Chevrette ‘02, Anna DeJesus ‘01, Michelle Detroyer ‘02, Matthew Dewalt ‘02, Ezequiel Enriquez ‘01, Tracy Fox ‘02, Timothy Jayne ‘02, Melissa Landry ‘01, Daniel Lawry ‘01, Lauren Mabie ‘02, Steve Napier ‘01, Emily Nichols ‘01, Timothy Penird ‘02, Julie Schaller ‘01.


Lunch Time. Just because you’re not at home, doesn’t mean you don’t have chores. Ryan Reynolds ‘02 sets the table for the hungry kids outside.

Creepy Critters! “In Cold Blood” was one of the many classes at camp. In this class they learned about reptiles and their habitat.

Homeward Bound. It’s time to pack up and go home but loading so many bags takes teamwork. Even though there were no souvenir shops, it seemed that the students left with more than they came with.

6th Grade Camp

Counselors Use Outdoor Skills to Survive a Week at Camp!

Every year excitement and joy overwhelm the sixth grade students. It’s the year they get to pack their bags and leave their families for a whole week. For most students, this is their first experience away from home. Duing the week the campers do many activities to keep their minds off the people they miss at home, but for many high school students it’s a good excuse to miss school.

High school cabin leaders were faced with the challenge of being good role models. They had to become more like parents, and watch the sixth graders’ every move. However, it’s not all about laying down the law. A cabin leader has to be outgoing and have a good personality. Having fun is what it’s all about.

The high school cabin leaders especially enjoyed participating in skit night and the square dance night. It was a time to cut loose and just have fun.

True Survivors! In the class “Give me Shelter,” students learned to build temporary shelter out of sticks, leaves and twigs. Once their shelter was built, it was evaluated by a camp supervisor. This class taught them how to survive in the wilderness.

By Emily Nichols ‘01 & Timothy Penird ‘02
Dressed to kill! Keith Allen '01 and date, Theresa Burris '01 are having a ton of fun in their formal wear. This is definitely one very stylish couple. Looking great guys!

Where's my ride? Waiting for their cars to be brought back by the valet are Christopher Ramirez '02, Erica Buczek '03, and Alex Motts '01 hang out together just outside the community college, where the prom was held. What's taking so long?

Love is in the air. This adorable couple is getting close and comfy. Jonathon Leonard '02 and Jessica Burdette '03 had fun dancing all night.

Aww-Yeah! Having a fantastic time at prom are Staci Schubert '01 and Ashley Kwiatkowski '02. They were having so much fun, they only stopped dancing for about fifteen minutes the entire night. They will be looking back at this one twenty years from now and laughing!

Your majesties. Announcing your 2001 prom king and queen... Andrew Poole '01 and Kymarie Allen '01! Allen could not believe it when her name was called, "I was so excited!" Allen said.

By Jamie Edwards '02
Once again, prom was a great success! The prom was held in the Morris Lawrence Building at the local Washtenaw Community College, on April 28, 2001.

The theme this year was “A Red Carpet Affair.” Prom was decorated with tons of gold and glitter. There was a red carpet leading into the building from the parking lot, where dads had volunteered to valet cars. There were huge Oscar statues, a balloon arch and lots of beautiful stars.

Spinning discs was DJ and former Lincoln student Marshall Poole ’99, who played a wide variety of music, with songs ranging from “Baby Got Back” by Sir Mix-A-Lot to “One Step Closer” by Linkin Park, to the 2001 class song “I Hope You Dance” by LeeAnn Womack.

Mock elections were held, and Kymarie Allen ’01 and Andrew Poole ’01 were voted the 2000-2001 prom queen and king.

As the evening came to an end, each attendee received a picture frame, to keep the memories of the night forever. As if anyone could ever forget.

By Jamie Edwards ’02
Acting Out. Receiving their drama award is D‘ante Herron ‘01 and Lonnie Scott ‘01.

In Rememberance.
The parents of Nathan Estermeyer award Sarah Navin ‘01 and Kelly Burba ‘01 with scholarships for the winning essays they wrote in honor of Nathan, who would have graduated with the class of 2001.

On a High Note.
Recognized for being in band all four years, these seniors received medals: Ryan Youkam, Breah Whitlow, Laura Quashnie, Emily Nichols, Christin Polzin, Emily Lambrors, Rachel Vonck and Joyce Keriville.

Best of the Best! Standing in the limelight are several of the 2001 Honors Convocation recipients: Valedictorians, salutatorians, class officers and NHS members are represented.

Sea of Blue. As Rachel Vonck ‘01 receives her Honor Cord from Assistant Principals Ms. Wanda Lewis and Mr. J. Calvin White, her fellow peers look on. The rest of the National Honor Society stands before the senior class.

By Jonathon Houston ‘02, Carlos Lozano ‘02, Jamie Edwards ‘02 and Jessica Butzin ‘02
They’re Golden!
Mr. Joe Nuzzo gives out his technology awards to Eirik Vitso ‘01, Nickolas Merkel ’01, Noah Bukis ’01 and Christopher Bielak ’01 for their outstanding performances.

With all Smiles! Proud as can be, Rachel Vonck ’01, Chad Hardwood ’01, Jason Williams ’01, Nickolas Merkel ’01 and Nathan Looze ’01 cheese their way into Lincoln academic history.

Scientifically Sound. Physics is “fun” when you get an award for it. Chris Bielak ’01, Jill Pinter ’01, Chad Harwood ’01, Kelly Burba ’01 and Mary Adcock ’01 receive the science flasks from Ms. Kathleen Betrus.

One Last Pose! Hugging are Stanley Roberson ’01, Nickolas Merkel ’01, Nathan Looze ’01 and Aaron Brewer ’01 before that final walk.

Guests of Honor
Seniors are Awarded for Their Honorable Work

The Honors Convocation started off with excitement and confusion as everyone rushed to get in their spots. “Don’t talk to me!” shouted a busy Ms. Maxwell, one of the senior class sponsors, as she organized the graduates for the ceremony.

Many students, parents and faculty attended the convocation to support the those being honored.

Students were not only recognized for their academic successes, numerous awards were given for sports, technology, choir, band, yearbook, foreign language classes and scholarship winners as well.

The evening started with the introduction of this year’s valedictorians and salutatorians, followed by class officers, class representatives and student council members. Awards were also given to students who received a 3.0 GPA and those with a 3.5 GPA for all four years.

Many scholarships were awarded and the evening was capped off with a slideshow tribute to the graduates. Although long, the ceremony was both inspirational and memorable.

By Jonathon Houston ’02, Carlos Lozano ’02, Jamie Edwards ’02 and Jessica Butzin ’02
Big smiles! Enjoying one last chance to be with friends before graduating are Jessica Jackson '01, Amanda Thompson '01 and Tara Lore '01.

Best of the best. One of three valedictorians, Kelly Burba '01 captivates the audience with her speaking abilities.

What a speech! The crowd loved Mr. Nuzzo's memorable speech. He brought back many special memories for this class from their elementary-school days.

How do I look? Before the ceremony, Samantha Mayville '01 helps Jason Branham '01 with his gown. Everything must be perfect for this special night--the first of a new beginning.

It's finally over! Graduates toss their caps into the air at the end of the ceremony. This is a traditional part of most graduations. It's the final indication that the class of 2001 is ready to get out and experience life in the real world. Or so they think...

By Carlos Lozano '02 and Amanda Burton '03
To some, graduation seems like the end of the only life they’ve known. It means the end of seeing friends every day, hearing all the latest gossip and, of course, doing homework. To others, graduation seems like a beginning of a new life, full of independence and college or work.

Now that each of the trials of high school have been overcome, all the questions answered and all the challenges met, there are only a few puzzles left to be solved. What is next? What will our class become? What am I going to do? What am I going to be, now that I am all grown up?

This question was in the minds of each of the graduates on the night of commencement, June 8, 2001. The night was full of memories relived, tears shed, hugs given and promises made. Moving speeches were delivered by class leaders as the class of 2001 received their diplomas.

Whatever graduations means, the class of 2001 has no choice but to find out. It’s time to show the world what being part of the class of 2001 really means!

By Carlos Lozano ’02 and Amanda Burton ’03
Chad,
My brother, My friend
When we were young, we thought we were twins and when mom told us different, we didn't believe her. We never argued growing up - We only laughed and trusted each other with everything. As we grew older our bond grew stronger. I'm proud of you Chad, but I'm going to be lost without you. Always know, no matter what the future holds, I'll be here for you. Never forget these important things...
What Alan Shepard said to the Nazi's at Bunker Hill, "Remember the Alamo"...
Or, "Once there was a story about a man named Ed"...
Or, "Old man, who lives in that castle?"...
Or, "Water Burger"...
Or, "Imagine if you will"...
Or, "I remember that tree, take a picture"...
Or, "Leave me. I can't go any farther"...
Or, "Gargoyles, Gargoyles, Gargoyles"...

And last but not least: "What do innovators say children?"
"Moss is always greener on the other side of a rolling stump when a bird kills two stones with a glass house."
Love, Steve

Congratulations Chad!
You have worked so hard to accomplish your dreams, and we are so proud of you. You are a true blessing in our lives. We are going to miss you so much.

With all our love and prayers,
Dad, Mom, Steve, Dave and Gen
Congratulations Tara!
We want to wish you the best of luck in everything you do!

Love Always & Forever
Mom, Dad, Amy, Jason, Steve, Tiffany and Ashley

Dear Aaron,

Congratulations!

It seems like yesterday when you were saying, "I don't care what you say, I'm not going to school" (you wanted nothing to do with Kindergarten). The years have flown by, it's been a pleasure to watch your athletic ventures and see you develop into a loving and caring young man. We're very proud of you, son. Continue to do your best and stay true to yourself.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Tamra, and Danielle

Congratulations Bobby!
It's quite an accomplishment to achieve academic excellence, to compete in a variety of athletics, while developing meaningful friendships and maintaining moral and spiritual strength. I couldn't be more proud of you son! God bless all your endeavors.

I love you! Mom
CONGRATULATIONS LAUREN!

The day you were born, our lives changed forever. As you have grown we have learned that you are a special person. Full of life and love, you faced the world filled with challenges, and you have succeeded.

With each success, comes new challenges and new responsibilities, we know that you will meet them and that you will succeed. Live fully and with love; and you will teach others to become special, also.

With love,
Mom, Dad and Jessica

Jill,
You were just a little girl. Those weeks and months have grown into years. You have worked so hard. Your music makes the angels sing. We are so proud of you. We know that your hopes and dreams will come true.

Love, Mom, Dad, Bob and Mike

Dear Rachel,
We are so proud of all your accomplishments. Congratulations on the great job you have done and the beautiful person you have become.

Love,
Mom & Dad

Good Luck To
Our Son
Kevin,
We are very proud of you.
Love
Mom & Dad
Amanda Jane Thompson

Within you is an ideal, a voice of youth and a promise of achievement still to come.
Within your mind is the source of your dreams.
Within you is the strength to carry your dreams to completion.
Within your heart is the desire to meet the world on your own terms, and I never doubt that you will.
You are strong; you are wise; you have a dream.
You have a spirit and confidence I never knew; you have faith.
You are your own person, and you always will be.
Within you is something so precious and rare.
Within you is the promise of the future, and I believe in you.

(Poem by Jean Lamey)

With all our Love,
Mom & Dad
To My Son: Do You Know Who?

From the moment they placed you in my arms, I knew my life was about to change. And what a change that has been. I went from being Aunt __________, to being a mom. That was what I thought of as being the best day of my life, but that was just the beginning.

I really want you to know how proud I am of you, but the words won’t come. I don’t think there’s enough I only wish you could look into my heart.

Here’s a few reasons why, and a few clues to who and what you are:

You’ve always been a little impatient. You wanted to talk before the words were there. Remember that “damn” bunny?

You always play by the rules; the kid who sucked his thumb, he needs to grow up, eh?

You’re more adult than I will ever be. We struck out on our own. You loved that apartment, that is, until we moved out. (Then you told me the truth.)

Have you figured it out yet? You’ve been seen as a lot of different faces, but your heart is always the same. You shared one of the biggest days of your life with me. Thank you, as it was my first prom.

You didn’t, or wouldn’t, ask for that Camaro, that’s why I gave it to you. I only wish that I could give you more.

We signed a contract that I can only hope you will keep.

If you have that drink, please call me. I will always be there. If you have a problem you can’t solve, call me. Two heads and hearts are better than one.

Do you know yet, Punkin? Yeah, you still have a way with words. “Mom, the heat set on holl or what?”

You helped a friend of mine by representing her son that was killed by a drunk driver. This is only a few reasons why I’m so proud of you. By now, you and your friends (who have been a big part of our lives) should know who you are, so keep all those dreams and work to make them come true. I know you can do it.

Some day the world will see your name in lights.

Love,

Mom
Dana,
Words cannot express how proud we are of you. You are the apple of our eye. We know that your mother is looking down on you with joy and admiration. Congratulations on your achievements and we wish you much success in the future.
From your loving Grandparents

DAVID,
WE HAVE WATCHED YOU GROW FROM A WONDERFUL LITTLE BOY INTO AN INTELLIGENT, THOUGHTFUL, CARING, AMAZING, YOUNG MAN. WE ARE SO VERY PROUD OF YOU AND LOVE YOU VERY MUCH.

LOVE,
MOM & DAD

Stephanie,
You are a precious thought to me, a pleasure to heart, you are a daughter who has played a very special part.
All the beauty, life can give, is summarized in you. I am proud and I am glad, that life presented you.
All my love and all my hopes, give time a special hue, all my days and all my years are full because of you.
Love,
Mom
Dear Kelly,

If words were not so vague and hugs not so bland; if letters were not so distant and kisses not so trite; if gifts were not so simple and being together not so untelling - you would know this Kelly: You have so many that would lay down their lives for you - that love you and want only what's best for you. Our family is but a small fraction of the family of Christ that supports and loves you. Know that always. With all our love and hopes for tomorrow,

Pat, Marion, James & Sheila

Congratulations to the entire class of 2001! We've made it through so much together, and we share so many memories. Now, as we embark on a new life, let us all remember the great friendships we've created. I wish everyone the best, in everything you do! We did it!!

Love, Kelly Lynn Stange

Kelly,

This last year has been completely amazing. You have come a long way in life. You are a very special person. I hope you had a great senior year. Don't forget God. I love you and I'm always here for you.

Love, Ryan

Congratulations Kelly,

I know mom would have been proud of the choices you have made, because she is in my heart, and I am.

Love, Sara
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR LITTLE TEXAN!

From the moment you were born in that great, big state of Texas, we knew you were special. You are such a blessing to personality, inner and outer strength and beauty, and outstanding athleticism. It has been a joy watching you blossom into the beautiful young woman you've become. We are so proud of you and love you more than words can say! Good luck in your collegiate career - both academically and with softball. We can't wait to see your first game! And whatever else unfolds before you, always remember that you belong to God and it is He that gives you life? May your soul always be filled with His love.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Stephanie and Zach

"And higher and higher straight up you'll climb, Higher and higher leave it all behind. Baby dry your eyes, save all the tears you've cried, Cause that's what dreams are made of."

Van Halen

CONGRATULATIONS

Little Linny Kid!
It's been a special ride "Nalacat". Now, follow your dreams. Stay the fun loving, caring and respectful person you are. We will always be here for you with pride.

Love,
Mom and Dad
Matt
Throughout your lifetime, we have traveled many miles and have seen many places. As you approach graduation, remember those good times as you travel toward your goals and dreams. Go with God.
...be ye steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for you know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord. I Cor. 15:58
Grandma Jean & Grandpa Wilbur Witt

If you have the pleasure of meeting my grandson, he's a unique young man. He is witty, tenderhearted, compassionate, honorable, faithful and full of the love of the Lord.
I'm proud of you, and may your future be filled with God's blessings.
Grandma Fannie

Son, we've been proud of you as we've watched you grow from a young cowboy, to a teenager, to a young man. We've been blessed with a son who stood up for what he believes. So now, as you start your life in college, may you remain faithful in God and soar to great heights.
...So you will find favor and good repute, In the sight of both God and man, Trust in the Lord with all of your heart and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your way acknowledge Him and He will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:4-6
Your parents
Embrace The Humor.
Dream
Believe In Yourself.
Be Fair.
No Regrets.
Know God Is Always There.

Laura,
You are a source of “Pride and Joy”
Congratulations on a phenomenal start in life.
Love,
Dad, Mom, Rob, Angel, Co-Co, Boy and Guenevere.

Congratulations Patrick!

When did you grow up?
Can’t we go back and do it again?
Time has gone by too quickly.
We are proud of the young man you have become. You have accomplished many things, and we know you will succeed in whatever you want to do.
Always remember how very much WE LOVE YOU.
May God watch over you and be there for you in all you do.

Love, Mom & Dad
Andrew & Abby too!
Congratulations Emily!
We are very proud of you in all of your achievements,
Love Always,
Dad & Mom
Kevin,
Our greatest joy has been the gift of watching you grow and knowing the fine young man you have become. Never lose your kind heart, it’s the greatest treasure you have and what the world needs most.
Love Always and Forever,
Mom, Dad and Katy

Laquandra Jenkins-Cain
“Quannie-Bear”
“Quannie”
“Talulah”

Memories of who you were; gratitude for who you’ve become. We love you Quan!

Love,
Mom and Julie

Kevin,
Shannan,
Look at you all grown up and graduating! All of us love you very much. You have made us very proud. We have faith in you and know that you will accomplish whatever you set out to do. Remember to hold onto your dreams and work hard towards your goals and success will be yours. CONGRATULATIONS!
We love you always and forever!
Mom, Dad, Keri & Jack
Jill,

For the past 17 years, we have watched you grow into a beautiful, confident young woman, as well as a scholar and an athlete. We are so proud of you. You have brought us much happiness, and we wish you all the best as you go off to college.

Congratulations!

Love Mom and Dad
Gregory,
It seems like yesterday we were bringing you home from the hospital, and now you're all grown up! You are a very special young man and we have enjoyed spending these years with you, and look forward to many, many more. Good luck in your future, we're sure it will be bright. We love you! You have made us the proudest parents possible. Thank You!

Love,
Mom and Dad
From A Little Girl To A Young Lady.

Congratulations, Peepeep!
We All Love You! Mom, Dad, Lucinda, Lilly and Lacy

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Congratulations Nick!
You've been to the mountain top!
Remember that in life it's not just the "GOAL", but the journey that counts. God has greatly blessed you and we know that you will succeed in whatever path you choose.

All Our Love,
Dad, Mom and Molly
CONGRATULATIONS KERR-BEAR!
WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU AND ALL YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS!
LOVE,
DAD, JEANNIE, JAMIE AND KIRBY
(NOT ALFIE)

Elizabeth Caroline Lanctot,
On the day you were born you became our "Baby Girl". As you grew you have become many other things to us, a source of joy, a sense of pride, a constant companion as well as a true friend. Your life is ever changing and will take you many places. No matter what challenges the future brings or where it takes you one thing will remain constant, our unconditional love and support. You will always be our "Baby Girl".

Love, Dad and Mom

To my wonderful son,
Kevin.
You have grown into a very responsible young man, I am so proud of you! Keep your dreams close to you and never let them go. You made it! Congratulations!
Love,
Mom

Kevin,
You are the most super friend: sweet, wise and strong.
Congratulations!
We love you,
The 402 Crew
Our Dear Daughter...

We know we are critical of you sometimes, but it's only because we have experienced so much more of life, and we can often see that the path you are taking today may not take you to where you want to be tomorrow.

We know, too, that you still have to experience life for yourself. If we can, we just want to spare you some of the pain we had to go through on our own path in life...

When the words don't come with all we want to say, we can still say this: We love you tremendously. We would do anything for you. And promise we will try to be more patient and understanding of you, and we pray that you will do the same for us.

Congratulations!
Mindy

Love Always
Mom, Dad and Michelle
"Have great hopes and dare to go all out for them. Have great dreams and dare to live them. Have tremendous expectations and believe in them."

Norman Vincent Peale

Believe in this, and you will succeed!

Love,
Mamma and Pappa.

Dear Jennifer,
From a little girl, to a beautiful young woman, we are so proud of all your accomplishments. Hope your future brings you lots of success and happiness. Just remember that we will always be here for you.

We love you Pumpkin,
Dad, Mom, Jon & Jason

"Class of 2001"

Dearest Samantha,
From the little darling sitting on my bedroom floor, to the delightful, confident horsewoman you've become. We get prouder of you daily.

Love, Mom and Grandma
Andrew...Congratulations!!!

Where has the time gone??? It seems like yesterday that you were that bright-eyed little boy on the go...and now...Wow! We are so proud of all your accomplishments and the fine young man you have become. You've been a GREAT son to watch grow and an even better brother to look up to. There's NOTHING you can't accomplish if you put your mind to it. Your intellect, calm demeanor and smile will take you far! We all love you very much and want you to know that you can count on us as you continue your life's journey at MSU and beyond...

Love, Mom & Dad,
Marshall, Chelsea, Tommy & Zak

Congratulations, Aimee!

May God guide your footsteps and bless all your days after graduation.

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Love,
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Bobby O,
Were so proud of
you!!!
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By Carlos Lozano '02
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Ralph Stange- Congratulations, Kelly Stange, on a job well done. From your father, I’m very proud of you!

Mr. & Mrs. Reginald Whitlow and family- Congratulations Class of 2001 and Breah. May God bless all of you!

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"Come to the edge," I said.
"No, we're afraid." 
"Come to the edge."
"No...we're afraid. We'll fall."
"Come to the edge," I said again.

And they came.
And I pushed them.
And they flew.

--Anonymous

Best Wishes to each of you,
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Colophon

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This year will be long remembered. Perhaps it will be remembered as the last year in "the old building". Maybe it will go down in history for the awesome basketball season. It could be the week-long December snowstorm that will be recalled. Who could forget winning the Homecoming game? Chances are, however, we will refer to 2001 as "the bomb".

Not because of its greatness, and a great year it was, but because of the rash of threats that left us out in the cold and hot in the media most of March. Fortunately, we came out smarter, safer and stronger. But at what price? We lost our rural innocence and had our spirits tested along the way. Things will never be the same, and maybe a change for the better is what we needed to grow closer, stronger.

Recovering Lincoln unity, pride and sense of trust is essential if we hope to "piece it all back together" again. And we will. Together.
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Coming Home Game Winner:  
Coming Home Dance Date:

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Sports Played:

Club/Activity Membership:

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Significant Other(s):

Best Memory:  
Worst Memory:  
Favorite Class(es):  
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Gas prices soar across Europe. Heavy taxation policies in France and England cause massive protests and transportation blockades. Both governments eventually promise relief.

Floods in Southeast Asia are caused by days of pounding rain. Millions are forced to leave their homes and more than a thousand people die in the region's worst flooding in decades.

President Clinton travels to Southeast Asia in November to help mend relations between the United States and Vietnam. He is the first U.S. president to visit Vietnam since the end of the war in 1975.

A cable car carrying skiers and snowboarders in Austria catches fire inside a tunnel, killing more than 150 people on board. It is the worst Alpine disaster in the country's history.

Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic is ousted from office in October, ending 13 years of violent rule. Vojislav Kostunica becomes Yugoslavia's first democratically elected president.

President Clinton makes a last-ditch effort to broker a Middle East peace deal before his term ends in January 2001 by drafting a plan for leaders of both Israel and Palestine to review. Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian Yasser Arafat agree to review Clinton's proposal, but no deal is signed before month's end.

A Singapore Airlines jumbo jet crashes during takeoff in Taiwan, killing 81 of the 179 people on board. In a blinding rainstorm the pilot uses the wrong runway and collides with construction equipment.

Former KGB agent Vladimir Putin is sworn into office as Russia's new president in May 2000, succeeding long-time leader Boris Yeltsin. Despite fears of an authoritarian style, Putin's public approval ratings remain high.

Canada mourns the death of former Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, who served the country for nearly 16 years. Trudeau, who was 80, is remembered for his flamboyant style and his commitment to keeping Canada a single nation.
Two hundred North and South Koreans separated from family members since the 1950-1953 Korean war reunite in August. The four-day visits are a goodwill gesture by both countries' leaders, who met for the first time in June.

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In August, Somalia elects its first president in nine years. President Abdiqasim Salad Hassan promises to bring peace and economic recovery to the African nation.

Former Coca-Cola executive Vicente Fox, of the National Action Party, is elected president of Mexico in July, ending the Institutional Revolutionary Party's 71-year reign.

More than 150 world leaders meet at the U.N. Millennium Summit in September to discuss war, poverty, disease and other global problems. The meeting is the largest gathering of world leaders in history.

The worst wave of Middle Eastern violence in years erupts between Israelis and Palestinians, leaving more than 350 dead. A visit by Israeli opposition leader Ariel Sharon to a Jerusalem holy site on September 28 is claimed to have sparked the fighting.

In July, an Air France Concorde supersonic jet catches fire and crashes outside Paris, killing 113 people. The crash is blamed on metal debris which punctured the tires and damaged the fuel tanks.

AIDS reaches epidemic proportions in southern Africa. Leaders and citizens throughout the world conduct a massive educational campaign on World AIDS Day December 1 to teach people about the disease that is killing 6,000 sub-Saharan Africans each day.

Uganda is struck by an occurrence of the deadly Ebola virus that is linked to more than 100 deaths. The outbreak is traced to a Gulu woman who died in September and whose body infected other people during the ritual cleansing of the dead.
**The U.S. Senate passes the Permanent Normal Trade Relations bill in September to open up trade between the United States and China. The bill is expected to increase U.S. exports by $13 billion annually.**

**Firestone initiates the largest tire recall in history after dozens of rollover accidents appear to be caused by faulty treads. At least 148 deaths in the United States are linked to the defective tires, although other problems with sport utility vehicles are under investigation.**

**The Oklahoma City National Memorial is unveiled in April 2000. The memorial is built to honor the 168 people who died in the 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building.**

**Convicted of monopoly practices in the software industry, Microsoft Corporation is ordered by a federal district judge in June to break into two separate companies. Company chairman Bill Gates files for an appeal.**

**The Women's Museum: An Institute for the Future opens in September in Dallas. The museum profiles 3,000 remarkable American women and features more than 20 interactive exhibits.**

**Illegal downloading and missing computer tapes threaten the security of the Los Alamos nuclear weapons lab in New Mexico. Several workers at the lab are penalized for mishandling nuclear secrets.**

**Many brands of taco shells and corn chips are pulled from store shelves and restaurants after a consumer group detects traces of genetically modified corn not approved for human consumption.**

**A wave of Internet startup companies, once the darlings of the online economy, file for bankruptcy after falling short of stockholders' earnings expectations. The NASDAQ stock exchange, where most dot-coms are traded, loses 39% of its value for the year.**

**Millions of Californians go for hours without power in January 2001 as utility companies cut off electrical supply due to low reserves. The crisis, blamed on aging generating plants, deregulation, soaring wholesale prices and debt-ridden utilities, spurs other states to begin devising prevention plans.**

**Summer air travelers wait out some of the worst flight delays on record. Bad weather and heavy air traffic cause delays that reach a peak in June, when only 66% of the flights arrive on time.**

**In the worst forest fire season in 50 years, more than 20,000 firefighters battle blazes in the western United States. More than 80 major wildfires burn across 13 states, forcing hundreds of people to leave their homes.**
In the closest presidential election in more than 100 years, Republican George W. Bush of Texas beats Democrat Al Gore from Tennessee. The race isn’t decided until 36 days after the popular election, when Florida’s hotly contested 25 electoral votes are awarded to Bush.

In October, the USS Cole is bombed while refueling in Yemen. A number of terrorist groups are suspected of the blast that kills 17 sailors and injures 39.

On December 4, 2000, the U.S. presidency remains in limbo as both Florida and New Mexico officials recount ballots to determine who will win their state’s electoral votes. New Mexico goes to Gore. Ultimately, Bush wins Florida which gives him a narrow victory.

On election night, several TV networks prematurely declare Al Gore the winner in Florida, only later to reverse themselves, twice. The fiasco confirms many Americans’ distrust of polling and early “calling” of elections.

In one of his first duties as President-elect, George W. Bush nominates Colin Powell to be Secretary of State. The four-star Army General becomes the first African-American in history to serve in this role.

The U.S. Supreme Court casts the deciding vote in the nation’s election. The court ends the Gore-Bush legal battles in Florida by stopping all recounting, an action that effectively gives Bush victory.

In a fiery and highly publicized political battle, Hillary Rodham Clinton beats Republican Rick Lazio decisively to become senator from New York. She is the first first lady to be elected to public office.

The Federal Trade Commission charges the film, recording and video-game industries with marketing violent and adult-rated materials to teens. The entertainment giants are requested to stop the practice or face legal intervention.
Walkie-talkies make a comeback as an economical alternative to cell phones. The new generation talkies come in wild styles and have a range of two or more miles.

New photos of fiery streams of gas that can reach 300,000 miles high may explain why the sun's atmosphere is hotter than its surface.

In August, a mile-wide patch of open water is spotted at the North Pole, dramatizing concerns about global warming.

In July, Stephen King shakes up the publishing world by releasing one of the first online books, The Plant. More than 150,000 copies are downloaded the first week at $1 per chapter.

In a Guatemalan jungle, archeologists uncover remains of an ancient Mayan palace. Bigger than two football fields, the palace is one of the largest ever discovered.

Internet appliances that provide surfing and e-mailing capabilities make their way to homes and schools. The devices offer less expensive Internet access to consumers without home computers.

In 2000, more than 200 animal species join the Iberian Lynx on the World Conservation Union's List of Threatened Species. Their addition brings the world total to 11,046 plants and animals having threatened status.

Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs) capable of calendar scheduling, note taking, e-mailing, phoning and Web browsing go mainstream in 2000. Competition among manufacturers heats up with Microsoft, BlackBerry, Palm and other brands vying for shares of the teen- and business markets.

Paleontologists identify a new species of dinosaur from fossils found in northern Italy. The 26-foot-long, meat-eating Saltrosaur is one of the world's oldest dinosaurs, dating back 200 million years.

Scientists are forced to rethink the traditional definitions of a star and planet when 18 massive planet-like bodies that don't revolve around a sun are discovered in the Sigma Orionis cluster.

Final touches are made to the International Space Station for its first residents. American astronaut Bill Shepherd and two Russian cosmonauts live on the space station for four months starting in November.
Wireless devices that send real-time personal messages between users become the latest communication craze. The “instant messages” can be typed, written or spoken, depending on the brand, and devices cost less than $100.

In 2000, both Honda and Toyota launch gas-electric hybrid cars. Operated by a battery-powered electric motor and a gas-run engine, the hybrids get up to 70 miles per gallon on the highway and release minimal emissions.

New Internet domain names are created to lessen the load on the old .com standard. The new names, slated for use in mid-2001, include .info for general use, .biz for businesses, .name for individuals and .pro for professionals.

Scientists complete a rough “map” of the genetic code that makes a person human. The map will aid in the detection and prevention of cancer and other illnesses.

Amtrak introduces the nation’s first high-speed train in November. The “Acela Express” travels up to 150 miles per hour and runs between Washington, D.C., New York and Boston, with other routes planned for coming years.

Apple Computer unveils its new G4 Cube computer in July. The 8-inch crystalline cube is commended for its small size, high speed, low noise level, touch-sensitive power activation and padless optical mouse.
The popularity of Apple Computer's translucent berry-colored iMac sparks a wave of similarly colored cell phones, CD players, cameras, irons and other household appliances.

American Heritage, among other publishers, releases new dictionaries, capturing the language of our computer-savvy culture. "Dot-com," "netiquette" and "cybersurfing" are among the new entries.

Pleather, a synthetic fabric that looks like leather, comes in an array of colors and prints and is popularized by celebrities like singer Christina Aguilera.

Techno pants, as functional as last year's cargos but with cleaner lines and nylon fabric, are popular with teens. They come in a variety of colors and feature zippered legs and pockets, toggles and nylon drawstrings.

Laser eye surgery becomes an increasingly accepted alternative to eyeglasses and contact lenses as the technology continues to improve.

For the first time, females outnumber males in Internet use in the United States, representing 50.4% of the online population in 2000. Teenage girls are the fastest growing user segment.

Designer faceplates become a popular way to personalize cell phones. The decorative attachments come in a variety of designs and colors to match the user's mood or outfit.

Wordstretch bracelets become a trendy accessory in Hollywood and around the nation. The multi-colored elastic bands come inscribed with "Call me," "Money is overrated," "Snap out of it" and other simple messages designed to spark conversation.
Message T-shirts become fashion statements among teen girls. "Foxy Lady," "Princess" and "Monkey Around" are just a few of the tongue-in-cheek logos that appear on the popular shirts.

High-tech, fold-up metal versions of the old scooter are one of the year's hottest modes of transportation but also a leading cause of injury.

Companies like Estee Lauder, Origins, Hermes and Blistex begin to market products in portable single-use packets. Products include nail polish remover, scented wipes, hair conditioners and moisturizers.

Stick-on crystals and gems become popular fashion accessories for teen girls, accenting the face, neck and shoulders.

Mail-order clothing pioneer Lands' End introduces "scan wear." The technology captures customers' body measurements, and allows users to virtually "try on" clothing when ordering via the Internet.

"Personal TVs" by TiVo and ReplayTV allow users to control live TV by pausing or rewinding and to record their favorite shows without having to set a VCR timer or purchase videotapes.

Chrysler rolls out its 1930s retro car, the PT Cruiser, in spring 2000. The five-door "personal transportation" wagon is a hot seller, beating the popular Volkswagen New Beetle by two to one in the first month. It also wins Motor Trend magazine's 2001 Car of the Year.

By the end of 2000, an estimated 75% of U.S. universities offer courses online and more than 5.8 million students have logged on.

With the 2000 unemployment rate at a low of 4%, college students working as summer interns command wages up to $20 an hour, along with compensation packages, from high-tech and Internet companies.

 Teens involved in anti-smoking organizations such as The Truth and Target Market strike back at Big Tobacco for marketing to youth, by launching their own in-your-face advertising campaigns targeting cigarette makers. The print and broadcast ads are sponsored by funds won from tobacco suit settlements.

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A new computer video game called "The Sims," which simulates the life of a suburban family, develops a fanatical following with teens. Players create the characters and guide them through building a house, furnishing it, finding a career and running a family in their pursuit of happiness.

The Millennium Force, the world's tallest and fastest roller coaster, opens in May 2000 at the Cedar Point amusement park in Sandusky, Ohio. The ride has a 300-foot drop and travels up to 92 miles per hour.

Meet the Parents, starring Robert De Niro and Ben Stiller, opens in October. The movie wins Favorite Comedy Motion Picture at the People's Choice Awards, and De Niro earns a Golden Globe nomination.

In July, CBS launches "Big Brother," a reality-based show in which 10 people share living quarters for three months until all but one are voted out. Viewers can monitor contestants 24/7 on the show's Web site.

UPN's weekly series "WWF Smackdown!" starring professional wrestler The Rock is the network's most-watched show in 2000, with 7.3 million viewers.

In December, Cast Away is released, starring Tom Hanks as a crash victim stranded on a desert island for four years. For his nearly one-man performance Hanks wins Best Actor at the Golden Globes.

The first hit in 2001 is Save the Last Dance, which opens in January. The teen romance, starring Julia Stiles and Sean Patrick Thomas, earns close to $50 million in its first two weeks.

Pay It Forward, a movie based on the idea of performing random acts of kindness, opens in October starring Haley Joel Osment, Kevin Spacey and Helen Hunt.

Tom Cruise reprises his role as Ethan Hunt in the action sequel Mission: Impossible 2. The May release is summer's biggest box-office draw and 2000's second-highest grossing film, earning more than $215 million.
Popular television series prompt the introduction of board game versions. "Survivor" and "Who Wants To Be a Millionaire" lead the list of new releases.

In November, illusionist David Blaine is encased in ice for 62 hours in New York’s Times Square, assisted only with air and water tubes and a catheter. Blaine, who was seeking notoriety over national TV, survives the stunt but requires hospitalization.

Russell Crowe becomes a household name with the release of Gladiator. The epic film wins a Golden Globe Award for Best Drama as well as an acting nod for Crowe.

NBC’s “Will & Grace” is one of television’s 10 most watched shows in 2000. Actors Sean Hayes and Megan Mullally win Emmys for their roles as Jack and Karen.

NBC’s White House drama “The West Wing,” starring Martin Sheen, Allison Janney and Richard Schiff, sets a record for receiving the most Emmys in a single season with nine wins, including Outstanding Drama Series.

Scary Movie, the Wayans brothers’ spoof on horror movies, is among the year’s 10 highest grossing films. The July release earns more than $157 million and is voted the Teen Choice Awards Movie of the Summer.

Fox’s “Dark Angel” is voted Favorite New Television Dramatic Series at the 2001 People’s Choice Awards. The series, set in the year 2019, explores the life of a genetically enhanced heroine named Max.

In July, Wolverine, Cyclops, Storm and other super-powerful comic book characters are brought to life in X-Men. The movie grosses over $157 million, one of the year’s 10 biggest box-office draws.

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The year’s hottest TV show is CBS’s “Survivor,” in which 16 contestants compete for a million dollars by surviving on a tropical island for 39 days. More than 51 million viewers tune in for the final episode. Based on its success, CBS launches a second "Survivor" series in January 2001 set in the Australian Outback.

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A new board game called “Hip-Hop Hall of Fame” capitalizes on the popularity of the music genre. Players make their way around an album-like board by answering questions about Hip-Hop performers, songs, culture and history.

In response to the growing interest in Latin music, CBS airs the “1st Annual Latin Grammy Awards” in September. The show is the first primetime network Spanish language telecast on American TV and draws 7.5 million viewers.

A new brand of portable MP3 players inundate the market in 2000. The new-generation devices store and play digital music from the Internet and feature more playing time than their predecessors.

Madonna scores a record-setting 12th No. 1 single with the release of “Music.” In December, she weds director Guy Ritchie in a Scottish castle.


Creed, with lead singer Scott Stapp, proves to be one of 2000’s hottest rock bands, with their singles “Higher” and “With Arms Wide Open” hitting the top 5 on Billboard’s Hot 100 singles list. The group wins American Music Association’s Favorite Alternative Artist and Favorite Pop/Rock Album.
Opening week sales records are shattered in 2000 with benchmarks set for the number of albums sold. Britney Spears' Oops...I Did It Again, Eminem's The Marshall Mathers LP, Limp Bizkit's Chocolate Starfish and the Hot Dog Flavored Water and Backstreet Boys' Black & Blue all break the million-unit mark.

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The Beatles begin 2001 atop the Billboard album chart with the album 1. The CD sells more than 5 million copies over the holiday season.

Siqo, a member of the R&B band Dru Hill, goes solo in 2000. The singer tops the singles chart with "Incomplete" and "Thong Song" and takes home awards from Billboard and the American Music Association.

Napster loses several court battles with the recording industry over copyright infringement. The popular online music sharing service, with over 60 million users, faces shut-down unless it can create a new business formula that satisfies the major recording labels.

MTV's "Total Request Live," which allows viewers to vote for their favorite music videos, continues to gain popularity. Host Carson Daly becomes one of the year's best-known faces.

Destiny's Child achieves three back-to-back No. 1 singles in 2000, making the band Billboard's Top Pop Artist of 2000. The group is nominated for five Grammys, four for the single "Say My Name."

Faith Hill and Tim McGraw perform to sellout crowds on their Soul 2 Soul tour. Hill and McGraw win the Country Music Association's Female and Male Vocalist of the Year, making them the first couple to win in the same year.

Pink is one of the year's top new artists. Her debut album, Can't Take Me Home, sells 2 million copies, and two of her songs are Top 10 hits.

Rock music dominates the music charts and award shows in 2000. Groups including Matchbox Twenty, Vertical Horizon and 3 Doors Down top both the rock and pop singles charts with their respective singles "Bent," "Everything You Want," and "Kryptonite."

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Venus Williams dominate women's tennis. The 20-year-old has a 35-match winning streak, which includes titles at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open as well as an Olympic gold medal.

The New York Yankees defeat the New York Mets four games to one in the first "Subway Series" since 1956. It is the Yankees' third straight World Series win and their 26th overall.

American Marion Jones, 24, becomes the first woman to win five track and field medals in a single Olympic Games at the 2000 Summer Games in Sydney. Jones wins the 100- and 200-meter sprints and the 4x400 relay, and finishes third in both the 4x100 relay and long jump.

Bobby Labonte wins the 2000 NASCAR Winston Cup, his first after eight years on the circuit. Labonte and his brother Terry, winner of two previous Winston Cups, are the first brothers to win titles.

The Houston Comets beat the New York Liberty to win the 2000 WNBA championship. The win is Houston's fourth in a row, and star Cynthia Cooper is named the finals MVP.

The University of Dayton defeated Yale in September, making them the first college team to win 800 football games.

In 2001 Orange Bowl, the underdog Oklahoma Sooners defeat the Florida State Seminoles 13-2 to win the National Championship. It is Oklahoma's first title in 15 years.

Australian Karrie Webb is named the LPGA's Player of the Year for the second time in a row. Webb wins seven titles in 2000, including the U.S. Women's Open in July, and sets an earnings record of $1.8 million.

Tiger Woods, 24, wins three of golf's four major tournaments to become the youngest player to win a career grand slam. Woods also breaks the earnings record for a single year with winnings of more than $9 million.

Cyclist Lance Armstrong wins his second consecutive Tour de France in July. Armstrong, a cancer survivor, also writes his autobiography, It's Not About the Bike: My Journey Back to Life.
In June, the New Jersey Devils win their second Stanley Cup in six seasons by defeating defending champion Dallas Stars four games to two in the finals. Scott Stevens wins the Conn Smythe Trophy for postseason MVP.

The Los Angeles Lakers win the NBA championship, the franchise’s first in 12 years. The Lakers beat the Indiana Pacers in game six of the finals. Center Shaquille O’Neal is named MVP.

The racing world is stunned when NASCAR legend Dale Earnhardt Sr., a seven-time Winston Cup champion, is killed on the last lap of the Daytona 500 in February 2001. NASCAR does not retire numbers, but car owner Richard Childress said he will never again race Earnhardt’s black No. 3 car.

Xtreme Football debuts in February 2001. The game combines conventional football rules with some of the mayhem of professional wrestling. Eight teams play in the league’s first season.

Laura Wilkinson overcomes three broken toes to win the women’s 10-meter platform diving competition. Wilkinson is the first American woman to earn the gold in this Olympic event since 1984.

In a huge upset, American Greco-Roman wrestler Rulon Gardner defeats Russian legend Alexander Karelin for the gold in the super heavyweight class. The loss is Karelin’s first in 13 years.

American swimmer Misty Hyman beats out heavily favored Susie O’Neill of Australia to win the 200-meter butterfly. Hyman’s winning time of 2:05.88 is an Olympic record.

American runner Michael Johnson makes history by winning the 400-meter run for an unprecedented second time in a row at the Olympics. Alvin Harrison, also from the United States, wins the silver medal.

Cathy Freeman carries the Olympic torch at the opening ceremonies of the 2000 Summer Games in Sydney. Freeman goes on to win the 400-meter dash, becoming the first Aboriginal Australian to earn an individual Olympic gold medal.

The Baltimore Ravens beat the New York Giants 34-7 in Super Bowl XXXV for their first NFL title. Ray Lewis of Baltimore’s highly touted defense is named MVP of the game.
Comedian Dennis Miller debuts as co-announcer on ABC’s “Monday Night Football.” Miller’s offbeat humor gets a mixed reaction from fans, and the series earns some of the lowest ratings in its 31-year history.

Paula Prince of Port Richey, Florida, wins the sixth annual Ugly Couch Contest, sponsored by a slipcover manufacturer, with her vintage ’70s entry. Prince and two other contest finalists appear on ABC’s “Live! With Regis” in October.

Fred Rogers, host of the children’s PBS show “Mister Rogers’ Neighborhood,” announces he will tie his tennis shoes for the last time, when his final new episode airs in August 2001. Rogers will continue to work on Web sites, books and special museum projects.

Video gamer Josh Griffith, 17, starts a business filling in for other gamers involved in an online roleplaying game called “Asheron’s Call.” Players are required to put in hours of game time to keep their online characters powerful. Busy executives pay Griffith up to $40 an hour to play for them.

After a record 3,545 wins and $81 million in earnings during her 19-year career, jockey Julie Krone becomes the first woman inducted into the National Racing Hall of Fame.

Controversial Indiana University basketball coach Bob Knight is fired in September after allegedly violating a University-imposed code of conduct. During his 29 years at Indiana, Knight was often criticized for temper outbursts. His dismissal provokes student protest demonstrations.