Cautions Ahead! The varsity cheerleading team props up a spirited Kasey Finigan '04 at the Homecoming Pep Assembly in the Arts and Recreation Gymnasium. Finigan led the junior class in an enthusiastic cheer, though the seniors won the cheer-off.
Timing is everything. The year 2003 seemed the perfect time for the yearbook to expand and offer a bigger and better look into your lives. The Liberator, however, is not the only thing that has taken a step up. Students and staff have found many ways to improve themselves and each other. Unity has played a huge role in the way people interact with one another. Growing, shining and making the best of what you have is all that matters. This is our time...
By Nicholas Hardecki '04 and Sarah Lambert '03
Memories, friendships and common ties all make up an important part of everyone's adolescence. No matter who you are or where you are from, we are all part of the LHS family. With over 400 freshmen coming up, the population of the high school increased not only in size, but also in variety. As you flip through the pages of this yearbook, notice the great diversity that is reflected throughout the school, as well as through the tight-knit community here in Ypsilanti, Michigan.
By Nicholas Hardecki '04 and Sarah Lambert '03
The four years in high school are said to be "the best years of your life". During these four years, students create friendships that may end up lasting forever, learn skills that will be carried throughout life and may even meet that special someone. High school is full of memories that, when looked back upon, make you smile and sometimes cry. Everything from float building to school dances, after-school jobs to parties on the weekend, help shape future personalities. In time, hopefully you will look back and agree. This time is the time of our lives.

Once in a Lifetime. What better memories to cherish than the memories of spirit week? Almost everyone participates and helps create the week of a lifetime, until next year that is! Shawn Wilson '04 and William Wright III '04 attempt to win the Three-legged race. Nathan Lucier '06 and Nicole Eldridge '05 dance the night away. Amanda Larson '04, Ryan Atkins '04 and Natasha Norris '04 concentrate on building their float. Juniors took third in the contest. In a classic lunch period during Tacky Tuesday, there were many characters on display such as "A Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle" portrayed by Justin Marsiglia '03, or Brian Priano '03 who wore a dinosaur hat, a loud shirt and eye-dyed pants. Talk about originality. These are the days to hold on to.
**Oompa Loompa...** Tacky Tuesday gets the best of Calvin Hltuner ‘05, who stands between Oompa Loompas Thomas Lavery ‘04 and Christopher Shukait ‘04. The Loompa costumes were inspired by the movie *Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory.*

**mile and Say Tacky!** Being wacky and tacky James Guthrie ‘05, Zachary Weaks ‘05, Kerry Win n ‘05, Ashley Demczewski ‘05, Brittany Majko ‘04 and Hilary Zgalis ‘05 took a break from Biology.

**project Orange.** Streaming their pathway in honor of class color day, Tahirah Gray ‘03, Stephanie Wanty ‘03 and Kathryn Wright ‘03 celebrate their last Homecoming Spirit Week. These three said they will miss this once-a-year event.

**Getting Stuffed!** Showing their guts for Tacky Tuesday, Tobie Robinette ‘03 and Todd Altstetter ‘03 stuffed their shirts with pillows. There was no school on Wednesday, so Tacky Tuesday replaced Tacky Wednesday.
The two words that you here most during Spirit Week are fun and games. Those are the words that you live by during that week. Everyone just lets loose and has fun.

The upset of the century was when the sophomores placed first in the float contest, the freshmen placed second, the juniors came in third and the seniors, in a rare turn of events, came in last. The penny war results were as follows: the seniors in 1st place with 26,479 pennies, the freshmen with 22,746 pennies, the juniors with 15,781 pennies and the sophomores with 10,748 pennies.

Spirit week is all about the unforgettable moments. During the parade, the head of the junior float fell off. Some students scrambled to catch the head before it hit the ground, while others watched in awe.

The seniors class color was orange. Some of the students of the senior class smashed pumpkins in front of the school and threw streamers throughout the hallways on class color day. The seniors called it “Project Orange.” On a sign, Crystal Burks ’03 wrote, “Smashing pumpkins...bad. Coming together and uniting as a class...Priceless.” The senior class ended up getting disqualified for that day.

Whether it was a good memory or a funny memory, there really couldn’t be a bad memory. This week was more than fun and games, which we all figured out. A picture is worth a thousand words, but memories will last forever.
oping it in. Tugging away, Jessica Zielinski '04 pulls her team to a class victory. Although in the end they lost to the seniors, the juniors did beat the freshmen in the first round.

pressed in Yellow. In ribbons and bows, Kasey Finnigan '04, shows her class spirit. Finnigan pumped up the juniors by showing her goofy side at the pep rally.

Pump it Up. Getting ready for the next big event, John Ott '03 shows off his "Big Guns". Ott maintained a lot of class spirit and proved it to his class.

Being Crabby. Crab-walking his way to victory, Jacob Viers '03 participates in Friday's Pep Assembly. Viers has been crab walking since his freshman year.

Getting Rowdy. Staying alive is the class of 2005, cheering their class to a few wins. The sophomores this year placed last in the Pep Rally games, but they put up a good fight.

Homecoming Pep Assembly
Who will win the Pep Rally? Yelling, screaming and having fun in school and not getting into trouble, can this be happening? Participating in the games and counting on each other to take one for the team is the dedication that comes along with the being part of a class. From seniors to freshmen, from every clique to every individual, everyone must do his or her part. In the end, everyone gave it their all, but only one class could win. Defeating all the classes, seniors "brought it", proving, yes, they can work as a team when push comes to shove.

Showing off their spirit Daniel Dew '03, Matthew LaFrance '03, members of the junior class, Andrea Allen '05, Brittany Skotak '05 and the members of the freshmen class, make some noise during the pep rally. We even had support from Mrs. Renee Whitley, who took part in the plunger race. All of the students participated by showing their spirit and representing their class. Whether it was a victory or something just for fun, everyone did their part in making sure that it would be a day no one would forget.

By Ashley Ingram '04, Vanessa Combs '04 and Jacob Blose '03
Silly Rabbit... Disasters are for juniors! Hastily fixing the float, Cameron Richardson '04 worked to upright the Trix Rabbit. Even with difficulties, the juniors stabilized it by the end of the night.

Sun Kissed. Sitting pretty, Andrea Allen '05 is drenched in sunlight while her own beauty shines through. Allen had the honor of being a sophomore court member.

Float of Champions. The sophomore class takes the crowd by surprise with first place. This was their first top prize, though their class sponsors look forward to another win next year.

Painting a Picasso. Concentrating on precise brush strokes, Suzette Young '04 paints the cereal box for her class float. Teamwork was key as Nicholas Hardecki '04, Kali Bobak '04 and Samantha Middlebrook '04 assist in the masterpiece, which only garnered third place.

The Cap'n... makin' it happen. The senior float may not have come out on top this year, but was still heavily supported by the class. Even with fourth place, the seniors were content with the overall spirit week results.

Homecoming Halftime
Halftime Caps the Homecoming Festivities

What is the one thing that brings all the classes together? For many students, it is Homecoming. It is a week where people come together to become closer to others.

Float building starts the week before the dance and goes until the Thursday before the game. Students get a chance to get together to be with friends, have fun, learn new skills and support their class in the float competition.

The theme for floats was cereal type. An unexpected win by the sophomore’s box of Wheaties left everyone dumbfounded. Freshmen took second with Corn Pops, juniors third with the Trix Rabbit and seniors Cap’n Crunch nabbed a disappointing fourth.

For the most part, the Homecoming parade went smoothly with the exception of the junior float. The ears hit a low-hanging tree branch just as the parade got underway, after moving only about 200 feet. The rabbit fell backwards, off the trailer, on to the ground, while the sophomore class cheered behind it. It took many people to get it back up and to support it so it could make its way to the football field, where it was to be judged.

Nicholas Hardecki ’04, who was on board to hold it up, said, "I didn’t know what to do. I couldn’t believe it was happening."

During half time of the Lincoln vs. Dexter game, the float procession was followed by the queen’s court. The announcement of Queen Ashleigh Peoples and Spirit Week winner, the class of ’03 by a point, capped the event, though it didn’t erase the disappointing overtime loss to Dexter.

Will all the hard work students and the sponsors put into their floats pay off in the end? This time around, things didn’t turn out as they normally did in the past. The final judging of floats was a surprise to most people this year. Thanks to an enormous parental support base, the freshmen class came out second with very few setbacks. Out of left field, the sophomores came in first. Seniors, normally undefeated, came in last. Thus, leaving third to the headless junior float.

A lot of time, patience, dedication and humor were put into this year’s float building. Proving this, sophomore class officer, Deanna Arrieta ’05, Cameron Richardson ’04, Cay Phipps ’03 and Justin McDade ’03 take pride in their float contributions. Float building tends to bring classes closer together in spirit and competition, as shown by the freshman class float, while providing a bonding experience where many new friendships are formed.

By Amanda Larsen ’04
Imperially Imperfect. Being royal doesn’t mean you can’t have fun. The court members were Jenna Arwood ’06, Jennifer Miles ’05, Andrea Allen ’05, Ashleigh Peoples ’03, Ashton Bullock ’04, Donya Charles ’04, Adriana Eberbach ’04, Talisha Dudley ’03, Megan Allen ’03, Kristin Pinter ’03 and Desiree Sims ’03.

Black is Back. Always appropriate, Amanda Alliston ’04 and Joshua Reed ’04 put on their black get-ups in order to get down. Reed never left the dance floor.

Prettin’ Pink. Dressed in pink is Renee Bower ’04, while her date David Seiberg ’04 sticks with basic black. Bower wore one of the brighter colors known at the dance.

Moments Like This. Junior class Homecoming Court representative Adriana Eberbach ’04 is singing to American Idol’s Kelly Clarkson’s hit. This was Eberbach’s second time on court.

Kickin’ Off Your Shoes. Taking a break from the dance, Jessica Lundell ’04 and her date Ryan Atkins ’04 enjoy a quiet moment. Atkins kindly took off her uncomfortable shoes for her. In the background is Venezia Stiers ’04. Stiers waits for her friends to return to the dance floor.
Is formal wear out of style? Students are starting to see from the traditional style of semi-formal dressing to a more casual type of dress at Homecoming. While it is taking away from the original idea of the dance, it's also something new. Even though a majority of the students still get fancy, some believe there's no reason to dress up for the gym.

As well as being casually dressed, dates came to the dance “n sync.” Some came in matching outfits and others just had color-coordinating attire. It gave the dance a sense of diversity and comfort.

Dancing the Night Away

Students Suit Up for the Night's Festivities

Spirit Week concluded with an “elegant” dance in the West Gymnasium. The dance was a chance for everyone to get dressed in their best and dance the night away. It was held on Saturday, October 12. The fun began at 8pm and ended at 11pm.

For many students, this was their very first high school function or dance. It gave them a chance to prove to other students that even though they are younger and are new to the school, they still have spirit and know what having fun is all about. Most of these students were freshmen. Other students, like the sophomores, juniors and seniors, already knew what to be expected.

Homecoming is a very special night for the Homecoming Queen. She was announced the night before the dance during halftime at the Homecoming football game. The decision came down to five ladies: Megan Allen '03, Talisha Dudley '03, Ashleigh Peoples '03, Kristin Pinter '03 and Desiree Sims '03. Peoples was crowned our Homecoming Queen and was treated as royalty at the dance held in her honor.

Holly Malmquist '04 said, “The best thing about Homecoming was when my boyfriend asked me out and when my friends and I showed up in a limo.” Malmquist said she enjoyed the dance, though “the night always seems to go so fast. I spend more time getting ready than I do at the dance!”

Time Will Tell...

Setting a new trend in casual attire, these Homecoming guests still got down with the best of them and went home without sore feet. De'Angelo Jones '05, Tasha Campbell '05, Cornell Fairley '05 accompanied by his date and LaVonna Washington '05, LaGenl Verdel'05 and Nathaniel Jones '04, stood out in the crowd by displaying their own personal taste.

By Brittany Sullivan '04
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Gracefully Gliding. Mbling in the cafeteria is Katie Martin '04. Martin always had an excuse to go table-hopping during lunch period.

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Strolling with Style. Wandering through the halls during homeroom, Stephanie Gobic '04 shows her sense of individuality through the type of clothes she wears, socks and all. Most of Gobic's friends dressed in a similar fashion.

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Rosy in Green. Getting prepared to eat her lunch is Heather Rakottz '05. Rakottz chose to dye her hair this color to show off her individuality. Having green hair is a perfect example of self-expression.

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Sprouting Spikes. Socializing at lunch is Christopher Greca '06. Spikey hair, like Greca's, has become a very popular style for our generation.

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Hard at Work. Concentrating hard on a research paper, Robert Rodriguez '03 sits in the media center. Rodriguez does not go a day without wearing his unique bracelets.
Do the patches, buttons, stickers, hair color and even the types of shoes you wear symbolize? These can all be ways that you, or the people around you, express themselves. We all have our styles, but some styles die down sooner than others.

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Express Yourself

Individuality Floods The Hallways

“You people laugh at me because I am different, but I laugh at you because you are all the same.” What does it mean to be unique?

If you glance through the halls of any high school, you will find a number of many different types of students. “Cliques”, some say. But everybody expresses individuality in some way, whether it be the way they dress, the type of music they listen to or even the color of their hair. You might be wearing an “Abercrombie and Fitch” shirt or your hair may be green this week, but underneath it all, you are your own person, complete with fears, doubts and self-esteem issues. Think about that before you roll your eyes at that “prep” or “freak”.

Overall, being unique is not about what you wear or who you sit with at lunch. There is a difference in being unique and expressing yourself. “It’s a person’s personality that makes them unique, because that’s all that really matters,” said Chadwick Bean ’04.

When it comes to self-expression, many stereotypes tend to sprout up. Just because someone does not look like you, it does not mean you don’t have anything in common with them. Judging people by their appearance is just a sign of ignorance and stupidity.

As Mother Teresa once said, “If you judge people, then you have no time to love them.” When you think about it, we are all the same, so who are we to judge each other?

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By Nicholas Hardecki ’04 and Jessica Dewalt ’04

Each and every one of these students are making their own fashion statement. Lately, Converse sneakers and backpack pouches have been found all over school. Some styles stay for a while and others disappear very quickly. Take the Converse sneakers, for example. They were very common in the late 50’s and early 60’s, but now they are back and bigger than ever. As for the patches and buttons, only time will tell.
hat?!! Taking a break after baseball conditioning is Justin McDade '03. McDade tried to listen in on the conversation between Anjelica Pitts-Jones '05, Stephanie Odom '05, Shemeta Billups '06 and Ashton Bullock '04. The best time to catch up with friends was after the final bell of the day.

trailing Along. After track conditioning, Donya Charles '04 takes a much needed break. Exhausted and sore, Charles strolled the halls, looking for a spot to kick back and relax.

et a Little Closer. On any given day, many students stick around after school to socialize. Band students Jessica Poitier '06 and LeDaryll Williams '03 exchanged secrets this afternoon.

uiet Time. Taking some necessary time to complete her homework, Sarah Savercool '06 finds an isolated spot outside the west gym. Trying to find a quiet spot around school was almost impossible during school hours.

atching some ZZZZs... After a long day in school, Shawn Perkins '05 tries taking a nap on the bench in the main hall outside the office. Perkins would rather catch up on his sleep at home, but the sandman caught up with him a little too early that day.
What do you actually do with the rest of your day when school is over? What about the weekend? During the week, there is practice, endless amounts of homework requiring a tutor and all kinds of school meetings. Whether it is by choice or by necessity, at some time we reach a point where we all need to stay after school for one reason or another. But the weekends are another story. At the end of a rigorous week, what is your favorite thing to do on the weekend?

After school is just one big drama.

The bell has rung and Elvis has left the building...or has he? If you think just because the school day has officially ended that it all of a sudden becomes a ghost town, then you have another thing coming. If you walk through the halls after 2:35, you’ll see a lot more activity than you may have thought.

The band members are here every Wednesday to practice for the half-time shows they perform at each home football game; the cheerleaders practice and hold clinics for younger children who are interested in becoming future cheerleaders; and then there are the athletes, who work endlessly to put Lincoln in the winner’s circle by going to grueling practices for hours after school. Let’s not forget the drama students that give up their precious evenings to practice lines and lines of script, so that we can see the final result and laugh, cry and just have a grand ol’ time. Shinetta Billups ’05 said, “After school is just one big drama.”

However, maybe you don’t know about the others...the overworked and the dedicated. These are the people who stay after school and brave the labs of Mrs. Maxwell so their grade point averages don’t drop, or the teachers who never see home so that the review you spent ages working on is corrected in time for the test. Don’t forget the custodians who spend hours and hours each evening cleaning up after us, so when we arrive every morning it’s as clean as a whistle. Still, some are here to take driver’s ed and hopefully get their license to freedom. There are also students who just don’t want to go home, for whatever reason.

So when you leave for the day, don’t think time stops until you return.

What you do outside of school depends on where your priorities lie. Plans made with friends in school on Friday turn out to be a key factor for weekend activities, as Leah Westfall ’06 and Jon Monique Durr ’06 show. Goofing around with a Pittsfield Police Officer, Jacob Blase ’03 finds out what his weekend plans could be if he doesn’t play by the rules. When all is said and done, Christine Dailey ’06 demonstrates that, when it comes to after school priorities, the phone is still number one.

Time Will Tell...

By Ashley Ingram ’04 and Amanda Larsen ’04
or Sale By Owner. Representing the junior class are Karess Medvecz '04 and Lisa Blank '04. They each showed off their unique sense of pride and enthusiasm during the week. The juniors sported anything yellow that they could get their hands on, including caution tape and "For Sale" signs.

oo Cool for School. In her best "You Wanna Piece of Me?" stance, Dominque Page '03 prepares for the Pep Assembly on Blue and Gray Day. Page took part in her last Cominghome festivities.

tars. Stripes and School Spirit. Standing very proud in his ensemble for Wacky Wednesday is Anthony DiDonato '04. DiDonato stood tall and firm showing his unique style.

rng' ya thirsty? Taking a drink on Class Color Day is Adam Wirick '03. Wirick attempted, successfully, to stand out among his peers during their very last spirit week.

owing Down. Students relax and take time to eat lunch while in their wacky attire. Each student at the table brought a creative touch to their lunch table during that odd day.
To many students, Cominghome is a smaller event than Homecoming. There is, of course, Spirit Week, which is fun no matter what, though it is shortened to three days for Cominghome. Due to President’s Day and Teacher Records Day, students had two days off, so some forgot that the week was to be full of spirit and fun. And like Homecoming, there is a Pep Assembly and a highly anticipated game, this time basketball.

The week consisted of the usual Wacky Wednesday, Class Color Day and Blue and Gray Day. The turnout for each day was a lot less than expected. “Cominghome is always fun except there’s not as much participation as Homecoming,” said Emily Vredeveld ’04.

For some reason, Spirit Week didn’t draw the attention of students as years past in many aspects. Each class had a chance to represent their school spirit by making a banner. Controversy ensued when no class but the sophomores planned to make a banner. In the end, all but the seniors threw something together. The juniors’ Taco Bell chihuahua took a bite out of the competition and won, even though it was paper and not felt.

The final scores for the week were juniors in first with 32 points, seniors in second with 27 points, freshman in third with 22 points and following behind in last place was the sophomore class with only 19 points.

The time and energy that should be put into the banners was somewhat less than expected. Due to a slow start with the process, students like Tori Felts ’06, Anjelica Pitts-Jones ’05, Nicole Anguim ’04, Laura Bargard ’04 and Angela Peoples ’04 had to work hard to get everything done. With the theme “fast food restaurants” classes had to decide which best fit their class. The freshmen class chose White Castle, sophomores picked Kentucky Fried Chicken, while the juniors ran for the border with Taco Bell. The senior class was supposed to have A&W, but at the last minute decided to make their “banner” a little more personalized with class signatures on paper.

By Brittany Sullivan ’04 and Lacy Frausto ’04
Many happy couples find that the pressures of a dance may result in a fight. Not so for Elizabeth Pearson '04 and Jeffrey Wilson '04, Cameron Richardson '04 stays focused on her crudely-fashioned paper megaphone as Jessica Zediniski '04 looks on. PDA was relatively uncommon amidst the frenzy of the Pep assembly.

Frozen Fashion. Shivering in her leather coat, Kauri Wellsing '03 socializes in the hall at the Coming home dance. Winter coats were added to many elegant ensembles as the snowstorm raged outside.

Pep Close and Personal. Arguing between songs are Jeremy Brown '03 and Samantha Buckberry '05. Many happy couples find that the pressures of a dance may result in a fight.

Il Hail to the King! Crowned the night before, King Terrance Puryear '03 stands center, while the rest of the court members: Daniel Dew'03, Todd Atteeter '03, Michael Deyguye '03 and Lora Williams '03 stood side by side and wore their medals with pride.
And the winner is...? Piling into the gym, all four classes are ready to battle it out. Giving classmates a lot of support, everyone yells from the stands. At the end of the Pep Assembly, seniors proved they were the strongest class, winning the competition, which consisted of games and cheering. The sophomores did not give as great of a performance as they had hoped; they came out in last place. For once the freshmen didn’t take last place...so they were happy. And the juniors ended up in second, but won spirit weeks.

On the morning of Saturday, February 22 thoughts of dresses, make-up, hair and dancing came to mind. Everything seemed normal as the departure time drew near, but as the finishing touches were being made, the snow began to fall. And fall. The weather forecaster, for once, was right and the snow kept coming down.

Sure, all of the snow was really pretty, but driving was another story. Many people soon found out that their parents would now be behind the wheel. Embarrassment from arriving with a parent in the driver seat is one thing, but nothing could be worse than falling. "I slipped on the ice as I was getting out of the car in front of everyone, in a dress," said Nicole Anguilm '04. Maybe high heels and snow don’t mix after all, not to mention the bottoms of the expensive floor-length gowns that were ruined by the snow and salt.

For the people who still got to drive themselves, luck would soon run out. Students reported numerous instances of being stuck or taking over an hour to get home - when home is only five miles from the school. Many students, boys and girls alike, were outside in their dress shoes, pushing cars out of the snow. The weather made the night seem a little less exciting.

In the end, the weather made it a night no one would soon forget. Those who braved Mother Nature were treated to a wonderful evening...and left with a story to tell.

By Ashleigh Price '04 and Ashley Ingram '04
Perfect: Being the perfect couple that they are, Lauren Williams '03 and Corey Luna '03 never let each other go. These two can be seen roaming the hallways together.

Love Everlasting: Leaning in for a last minute kiss before class is Codi Rigby '04 and Matthew Hannah '04. These two have been in their relationship since they were in the eighth grade.

Cuddle Buddies! Trying to get warm, Nicholas Dochy '05 and Stephanie Weyer '05 cuddle close together hoping that it will help. These two had been good friends for a year and decided to try taking it to the next level by officially becoming a couple.

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Lunch Date. Sharing a private conversation at lunch are Elaro Hooper '04 and Keri Whirlow '04. Eating lunch together has always been a must for this duo. Despite what the future may hold, memories shared by high school sweethearts will always be cherished.

Attractive Reasoning.
These four questions are designed to help you figure out what you are looking for in a relationship. There are no correct answers, but your answers should indicate your priorities and goals when looking for that special someone, hook-up or soul-mate.

Which one quality first catches your attention in the opposite sex?
A. Looks
B. Sense Of Humor
C. Personality
D. Popularity

When you've heard that a couple at school has had sex, you think:
A. Better of him/her
B. The same of him/her as before
C. Less of him/her

Would you date someone of a different race?
A. Yes
B. No, my parents would forbid it
C. No, it's too complicated
D. No, I'm against it

Which celebrity relationship would you most like to have?
A. Brad Pitt & Jennifer Aniston
B. J.Lo & Ben Affleck
C. Will & Jada Pinkett-Smith
D. Who? Not interested
If a girl can be a friend and a girlfriend...that's attractive!

People are attracted to all sorts of things. Some like eyes, others like a person’s smile, while some go by body shape. Whatever you’re attracted to, most of us have to agree that our first impression is based on looks. Then we start judging them based on what’s on the inside. “When I first met Joe, I was attracted to his looks. Then after we hung out for a little, I started to find out more about his personality- which is great,” said Jennifer Santoro ’03.

Some people, however, will argue that personality is the most important thing about someone. They feel that the way someone treats them and the way they act is more important than the way they look. “Most people say that a girl’s looks and body are important, but for me it’s personality. If a girl can be a friend and a girlfriend...that’s attractive,” said Jared Lankford ’03. Personality ranked third in a list of traits students find most attractive.

Bum. Booty. Butt. Junk in the trunk. Whatever you call it, the buttocks are the number one body part that students are attracted to when they first look at a person. The second thing that students look at are a person’s eyes. It doesn’t matter what you’re first attracted to or who their friends are, in the end we always try to find the person that treats us the best and the person that we have the most in common with.

Time Will Tell...

Will these people become more than “just friends”? Friends are sometimes known to go out with each other, but most friends say that they would never become more than “just friends”. Karess Medvecz ’04 said, “It would feel so awkward if we broke up. We kiss and date now, but it feels good having that freedom...being able to flirt without making him upset or anything. Plus, I just love being single sometimes.” There are many people that think the same way, but has that ever stopped them before?

Friends of the opposite sex show their bonds without crossing the friendship line. Britany Hubbard ’03 and Joshua Adler ’04, Genia Dean ’03 and Isaiah Jones ’03, Julie Noe ’04 and Ryan Yargeau ’04, William Figueroa ’04 and Sharee Gagneau ’04, Abby Vonck ’05 and Calvin Hiltunen ’05 all know the value of maintaining friendships and getting advice from a member of the opposite sex. Relationships may come and go, but friendships last forever.

By Tahirah Gray ’03 and Sarah Lambert ’03
Late to class is Zandra Cazares ’05. Cazares was stopped by hall monitor Andre Bond. Luckily, she had a pass.

oxers or Briefs? While stretching, Chester Bell ’03, shows his little secret. For Bell, it’s the baggier the better. Though the school discipline code forbids baggy pants, most got away with it by wearing a long shirt.

Sal! Who Goes There?

hl, the Shame! Trying to cut class without getting caught is Brandon Noel ’03. Skipping is one way for some seniors escape graduation pressures. However, most got caught.

ide-N-Seek. Peeking over a rock is Brian Mellinger ’03. Mellinger decided to tease the administrators before legitimately leaving for Co-Op at Brick Elementary.

er’s See that C-Walk. During passing time, Keith Hall ’04 walks with his CD player spinning. Electronic devices are against school rules, but most students had them hidden in their backpacks anyway.

Making Tough Decisions...

Questions you should ask yourself before making a destructive decision:

1. Is it legal?

2. If someone else did this to you, would you think it was fair?

3. Would you be comfortable if this were to appear on the front page of the hometown newspaper?

4. Would you like your mother to see you do this?
For a lot of students, breaking the rules are part of an everyday routine. Whether it is having your cell phone in school or wearing your coat around, almost everyone does it. The big question is, does the administration have too strict rules? Or maybe the students don’t have enough respect to care about rules and regulations. Some of the rules are common sense, but others seem a little far-fetched. Either way, all of the rules have consequences if you break them.

In the spring or fall, girls tend to get themselves in a little trouble by wearing tank tops and short shorts. Staying in style may be more important to some people than getting into trouble. But it’s not just the girls that get into trouble. The guys get into their fair share of trouble, too. Wearing their pants too low, or wearing “Beaters” (white tank tops), result in a lot of guys getting sent home. A simple ball cap may cause someone to get a lot of referrals, in addition to confiscation.

It’s a whole different story when it comes to winter. People wearing their coats can cause a lot of commotion. It is understandable that kids get cold during school; not all of the classrooms have the greatest heating system. “I always try to wear my jacket because it’s always so cold,” complained Sean Yargeau ’05. Almost every day someone gets into an argument with a hall monitor over taking off his or her jacket.

So before breaking the rules, it’s important to consider the consequences. Skipping, eating candy in class, using a cell phone, listening to a CD player, wearing inappropriate or prohibited clothing, breaking curfew, getting busted by the cops or getting involved in worse things may not be worth it and could negatively affect your future.
lying the Flames! When 7:10 rolls around, it's time for Adeline Howell '04 to head to school. Howell said she was feeling very tired but she still tried to think positive about the upcoming school day.

Art Smarts! Taking a long look at her project is Valerie Napier '04. In Mr. Hubbard's class, Napier worked extremely hard to complete her artwork and was happy to finally get it done.

Toppings of Choice. After waiting for a very long time in the lunch room, Joshua Reed '04 gets a topping for his salad. There are plenty to choose from.

Lunch Munch. Concentrating on opening her treat, Holly Malmquist '04 is very hungry by the time lunch rolls around. Malmquist was very determined to open her Little Debbie peanut butter bar and wasn't going anywhere until she did.

Decisions, Decisions. What book should I get? At RIF, Raymond Straight '05 tries to choose a book that fits his interest, but with so many to choose from, sometimes it can be hard to find just one.
Every day students face different challenges. We wake up every morning preparing for the same old routine. The alarm buzzes and students get ready to get on the bus or drive to school. Upon arrival, students unload into the hallways like a great tidal wave to the shore. Flooding into the hallways, students gossip and stop by lockers on the way to first hour.

The morning classes are very long and tedious. Classes are quiet because half the class is still asleep, whether it's a lab in science, a book report for English or preparing the announcements for WLHS, students struggle to stay awake. It gets easier as homeroom draws near and thoughts of lunch fill our heads. Montanna Wagner '06 said, "Lunch is my favorite part of the day because I get to see friends I don't normally see in classes." At lunch we finally get a chance to eat and relax. Having two lunchrooms does give a bit of freedom and space. Some people spend this time in the library or in their favorite teacher's classroom.

In the last half of the day, classes are rowdier than in the morning. Especially sixth hour, when we count the minutes until the bell. When it FINALLY rings, students ride the wave back to the cars and buses. After-school activities, jobs and sports take place after 2:35. Some days students tasks seem impossible to accomplish. But somehow they still wake up every morning, ready for the day ahead.
In Times of War. With patriotism at an all-time high due to 9/11 and the war with Iraq, Autumn Ricketts '04 escort's military uniform was the perfect complement to the evening.

enter of Attention. Surrounded by Jacob Hadley '05, Nicole Williams '05 and Melissa Scherdt '03, Justin McDade '03 holds his own. In his sweet Zoot Suit, everyone wanted a piece of McDade that night.

Do a Little Dance. Thanks to Silver Sound DJ service, Richard Roe '04 never left the dance floor. Roe was in the center of several dance circles throughout the night and stayed until the very last dance.

utterly Love. Showing that a family that dances together stays together, sisters Ashleigh '03 and Angela '04 Peoples display their best dance moves for the crowd. Usually strangers at school, these two sisters showed their love on the dance floor.

able for Ten. The guests at table 20 wait patiently for the delicious meal about to be served. Unfortunately, many of their friends on the track team were unable to enjoy this meal due to a track meet that day.
As tradition goes, the junior class organizes, hosts and pays for the junior/senior prom. Class sponsors Ms. Jessica Revord and Ms. Tanya Hill planned early to offer a new kind of prom experience to our students. Usually prom is held at one of the local colleges only minutes away, but this year prom was held at Burton Manor in Livonia. The change was made so that dinner could be offered at prom for the very first time.

“The decorations were very nice and brought out the theme,” said Sarah Lambert '03. The decorations, including a forest of twinkling trees and candle-lit tables with rose petals, as well as a hallway accented with assorted fairy statues and flowers, reflected the theme “A Midsummer Night’s Dream”, the famous Shakespearian play. “It actually looked like some money was put into the prom. And the valet parking was sweet!” said Joshua Moody '03. “It made you feel classy and the drinks were awesome,” said Nikole Kline '04.

Classy was the word of the evening, from the valet parking to the elegant chandeliers. Until, of course, the DJ started to play some jams. Then class went out the window and everyone got their groove on. Throughout the night, the dance floor was full. The DJ accepted requests and played a good mix of fast and slow hits. “The DJ was awesome; she played a wide range of music,” said Amanda Murphy '04.

At the stroke of midnight the long-awaited evening came to a sad “End of the Road” by Boyz II Men. No one wanted this dream to end.
Underclassmen. A word that promotes a look of disgust on the face of nearly every senior. Most underclassmen are known as "annoying" or "immature", but the seniors who classify them in those terms were the same way not too long ago. Like it or not, underclassmen make up the largest portion of the student body and provide the backbone to school unity and pride. And even though seniors seem to get all the attention, on graduation day the majority of them wish they could go back and start over. Really.

Picture Perfect. Unlike many districts, our enrollment grows each new year. Underclassmen make up the majority of that enrollment. Concentrating on her artwork, Ashley Ingram '04 makes no mistakes. Ingram studied independently for Mr. Manning's 5th hour art class this year. Eating with her friends at lunch, Courtney Eckley '05 enjoys her beverage. Looking up at her fellow classmates at a Pep Assembly, Samantha Middlebrook '04, shows a little confusion during the mayhem going on all around her. Showing off at the Homecoming Pep Assembly are Jenna Atwood '06 and Justin Dunn '06. Atwood represented her class on the Homecoming Court, with Dunn as her escort. It's tough to be an underclassmen when much of the year is devoted to the exiting class. Fortunately, everyone has their opportunity to shine one day. Meanwhile, why rush it? Enjoy all four years. You're only young once.
Drumming to a Different Beat.

When he is not entering attendance records or filing music, Steven Lore '03 directs the percussion section. Lore said, "I think it's cool being a 'band aide'. Get it? Band Aide?"

Techno Genius. Working on a yearbook spread during 6th hour is Tahirah Gray '03. Gray is the Business Manager of the yearbook and helps keep the whole thing running smoothly by being Mr. Revord's aide.

Teachers Need Help, Too!

Grading papers, scheduling activities and organizing projects are not limited to just teachers. In fact, many of these tasks are performed by teacher aides.

Teacher aides are students who elect to help teachers for an elective credit. These students only earn a quarter of a credit per semester, but also learn the mechanics behind teaching.

However, some students question the decision to become aides once they realize the other opportunities and credits they have missed. Before deciding to be an aide, students should make sure they are ahead in credit hours.

Do you regret becoming an aide?

"No, I don't regret becoming an aide because I got to experience things other people didn't!" 

"No, because I want to be a secretary when I grow up and this is great experience." 

"No, because I enjoy working with children. Being an aide lets me show kids new things."

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Art is just one of several electives offered. We have three exceptional art teachers, Mr. Ed Manning, Mr. Dennis Hubbard and Mrs. Karen Nowak-Rochford. Each teacher instructs many different types of art classes.

Ceramics, Metal Design and Computer Art are just a few of the art classes provided. Each class offers a new outlook on life, with new opportunities.

Art has numerous career options - teaching, computer graphics, all types of design, advertising, cartooning, culinary arts, plus many more.

How does art fit into your future?

"Art doesn't fit into my future; it's fun and it would only be a back up thing for now."

"Art helps me express my feelings and understand myself. Maybe I could be an art teacher and help other kids understand themselves, too."

"Art is just one of those classes that fits in your schedule and you take for fun."

Classes Offer Opportunities

"Fired Up. Showing off his creativity during one of his many art classes is Shaun McGehee '03. This independent study art class helped McGehee illustrate a different type of abstract art."

"Piece of Work. Showing his dark side, Nathan Spurlock '03 gets involved in his sculpting. Spurlock enjoyed expressing his creativity through artwork."

"Clean as a Whistle. Cleaning up, Andrew Patton '06 takes responsibility for his mess. Like other students, Patton helped keep our art rooms clean, organized and in tip-top shape."

By Ashley Ingram '04
u 'n it up. With a sponge, soap and a large trash can to substitute as a bucket, Alexander Hardecki '06 uses the power of the sponge to wash the cars. During the spring and summer of the previous year, the band hosted car washes to help pay for the annual spring trip.

Today's Forecast. Drumming the night away on a crystal clear night Steven Loe '03, Steven Harwood '04, Glen Davidson '03 and Kristal Kindall '06 attempt to perk up the football crowd. Despite spending many nights practicing, this was the only night that their beat was heard.

Band is a Round-the-Clock Commitment

Is band an academic class or an elective class? According to the handbook, it is an elective class. So why are so many activities involved? From half-time shows and parades, to Wednesday night rehearsal and class, to Pep band basketball games, band camp and also festival. Most of these fall outside of the regular school hours. Many students wonder why more credit isn't available to compensate for the additional commitment this class requires.

Despite this, the combined bands boast nearly 200 students, which shows that there are many dedicated and talented students walking our hallways.

Should outside activities count as a grade or extra credit?

"I would say all of the outside events should be counted as extra credit. It's not fair to be required to show up for after regular school hours."

"Personally, Marching Band should be counted as a grade and also performances. As for band camp, it should be extra credit all the way!"

By Jennifer Sai '05
Split Dimensions is the top choir offered at Lincoln. Although the class consists of 13 young women, there is always room for more. It is not easy, however, to get in. You need to be self-disciplined, ready and willing to learn and above all, committed.

Throughout the years that Split Dimensions has been offered, the competition has gotten nothing short of fierce. With the exception of feelings that end up being thrown around after somebody finds out they didn’t make it into the top, everyone keeps their cool and gives it their all each day.

The result is a united choral department. That is what makes a choir more than just a choir.

What do you like best about being in Split Dimensions?

Kelly Willard ’04

"Just the fact that I get to work with determined people and excel in music on a higher level."

Jennifer Miles ’03

"I really enjoy the tight bond that all of the girls share. It makes everything so much easier."

Breanne Cordle ’03

"I get to sing without having to deal with the every day distractions other classes deal with."

The Competition to Get into Split Gets Fierce

Director's Note. Explaining to the Men of Lincoln how important tone and breath support are, Mrs. Nevins gestured to the choir class. Nevins has stressed this choral note to all five of her choirs: The Men of Lincoln, Women's Chorus, Concert Choir, Mixed Concert Choir and Split Dimensions.

Connecting Together. Practicing for their Christmas concert, the Men of Lincoln strive to hit those high notes. Rito Aguiar ’04, John Anderson ’03 and Jordan Price ’04 make up a very important part of the bass section in this choir.
Expansions Needed in English Classes

American Literature, Creative Writing and Modern Novels are some of the English classes currently available to students. However, several students and teachers feel that English classes are limited.

To avoid limitations on the English classes, they feel that new classes should be offered.

Mr. Propson and Ms. Dixon feel that a humanities class should be available to students. This class would include studies in World Literature and Poetry. A majority of students asked believe a Contemporary Literature class should be offered. Though, at this time, no new classes will be added.

Would you rather read or write?

"I like reading more than writing because reading explores your vocabulary and it is interesting."

"I like writing because you can be creative and make up your own ideas."

"I prefer reading because you can imagine what you're reading and make it come to life."

By Jessica Dewalt '04
Learning a different language can be very beneficial in the working world. Different careers require people to know a second language.

Some people begin to study a second language when they are little. Then there are those who wait until high school, when it is more difficult to learn.

Why did you want to learn a foreign language?

Bradford Wiles '06

"I'm taking a foreign language because most colleges require it."

Sarah Billiu '05

"I thought that learning a different language would be a lot of fun. It will also help me in the future."

Angela Peoples '04

"Knowing a foreign language will become very important when it comes to finding a job and being successful."

In most other countries, people speak more than one language fluently.

The ability to speak another language can greatly help a student in the career they plan to pursue once leaving high school.

Spanish and French are currently the only two languages offered, but German may be added.

Students Learn New Languages for Future Careers

Helping Hand: Giving some advice to Diem-Chi Nguyen '06 on her Spanish work is Mark McGuire '06. These two are in Senora Mata's third hour Spanish I class. Spanish I gives a broad overview of grammar, vocabulary and the culture itself.
igh Hoops. Showing off his b-ball skills, Donald Pope '03 hopes that he might be the next "Air Jordan". Pope's ability has increased since his freshman year, thanks to gym classes and weight training.

ick it up. Exercising strenuously, Jenna Arwood '06 and Amanda Robins '06 step into action. Many kinds of gym classes are offered here, including aerobics. This is a favorite among females.

**Dress for Success in Gym**

**PASSING MADE EASY**

Most students are required to take at least one full credit of gym. The only way to get this excused is to play four seasons of a sport or join marching band.

Although most people think that gym is the easiest class, if you think that you can't fail gym you're wrong. A sure-fire way to fail is by not dressing. Even with participation, valuable points are lost, resulting in a failing grade.

Other than that, there is really no reason to fail gym. Even those who are not athletically inclined or gifted can pass, as long as they come dressed for the occasion.

**Could you ever fail gym?**

"Gym is too easy to fail, so I don't think I could fail unless I never got dressed or didn't come."

"There is no way I would ever fail gym. I don't think I would even know how."

"The only way I would ever fail gym is by not going, other than that it is a breeze."

By Ashley Ingram '04
For Crying Out Loud

To help students acquire insight into the raising of a child, Lincoln offers a course on Parent/Child Development. An important aspect of this course is the many hands-on activities that are given to the students.

The most popular and most well-known is the “Think It Over” baby doll. Classes receive a simulated 7-month old baby who cries, requires feeding, changing, etc., like a real baby. This experience takes a lot of time and effort and is designed for students to help realize the hard work and dedication it takes to raise a child.

What was your most memorable moment with the “Think It Over” baby?

- “Trying to carry the baby down the hallway and trying to get through all the people.” - Alexandra Tatur '03
- “Waking up in the middle of the night and trying to make it stop crying.” - Kayleigh Bolin '05
- “Waking up every half hour to a crying baby and only getting 3 hours of sleep” - Bethany Keskitajo '05

By Lacy Frausto '04
Work Your Fingers to the Bone.

Tyrone Hughes '06 is working hard to get his homework done before it gets collected. After a few minutes, he had finished his homework and was able to turn it in.

Eyes on Your Own Paper. While Evan LaFrance '06 takes down the day's notes, he needs a little neighborhood reinforcement. He said, "This lesson is a little confusing, but if I keep paying attention I should understand it."

It's Best to Take Four Years of Math

The question that goes through many student's minds is "When in my life will math benefit me?"

While some may go on to be engineers, mathematicians, chemists, accountants or the like, others are wondering why four years of math is recommended. But really, math is all around us every day. For example, bills need to be paid, money saved, budgets balanced, purchases made, etc. Plus, many science classes deal with math.

So, if you really want to get around in life, your best option would be to take lots of math.

Did you like math when you were in school?

"My favorites were math and PhysEd, but you could only take two semesters of PE. I took eight semesters of math in high school."

"I began liking math my sophomore year mainly due to the wonderful teacher I had, Mr. Becking."

"I liked math quite a bit. It was always my favorite subject."

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Underclassmen
Some of the teaching staff thinks that allowing students to leave campus to pursue technical career options is counterproductive to academic success.

However, students say these classes - RCTC, Cadet Teaching and Co-Op - are an easy way out of school and off campus. But they also prepare student for jobs right out of high school or future career decisions.

RCTC gives on-the-job-training for a variety of different fields. Cadet Teaching provides students a one-on-one teaching experience. Co-Op is for students who work who want to receive credits while earning money. Classes like these help direct students to an interesting future career.

**Why did you choose to take RCTC, Cadet Teaching or Co-Op?**

- **Bobby Sima '04**: "I chose to take RCTC because I like cars."
- **Amanda Hoover '04**: "I took Auto Mechanics to learn more about cars and incase I choose to work on cars after high school."
- **Sarah Tupacz '03**: "I took Cadet Teaching to learn more about working with kids."

**Buff It.** Buffing out the scratches on a front fender is Joshua Morrell '05. Morrell is in the Auto Body Repair class. This was Morrell's second year in RCTC.

By Brittany Sullivan '04 and Jacob Blose '03
Open Opportunity. Working on his science lab during fourth hour is Eric Walker '06. Walker was taking advantage of school equipment to finish his lab. Lab equipment is now supplied by the district.

It's Gettin' Hot in Here. Highly flammable equipment is stored in this cabinet. The fire cabinet was bought specifically for the purpose of storing extremely flammable chemicals. To the student's benefit, the cabinet was one of many safety precautions.

Science Labs are Full of Hazards

With science facilities that top most in the area, students are fortunate to have the opportunity to have hands-on experiments with equipment used in actual science labs. As a result, the science department has occasional accidents. Lab safety is taught first.

Students must pay for broken equipment ranging in prices from a 35-cent test tube to a $150 centigram balance. There is also a dry chemical room with 108 shelves full of hazardous chemicals. "One problem is the exposed gas pipes," said Ms. Maxwell.

What made you decide on your science class?

I chose Biology because I thought it would be easier than Life Science."  "I figured Earth Science would be easier than Chemistry."  "I took Biology and Chemistry my sophomore year, so I didn't have to take a science class this year."

By Amanda Larsen '04
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The Railsplitter Express has been in operation for six years, five under the instruction of their current director, Ms. Karen Lewis. These special education students create and sell tasty treats, such as a baked potato bar with all the trimmings, taco salad and brownies, for the staff every Tuesday and Thursday.

"The Express teaches the kids different life skills for the future," said Ms. Lewis. Run as a business, the students earn weekly paychecks and use the additional money to support their various community activities.

**What is your favorite job at the Express?**

- **Eric Purdon '06**: "My favorite job is working the cash register because it's easy and fun."
- **Bradley Griffith '06**: "My favorite job is the cash register because I get to see a lot of people."
- **Terrell Starks '04**: "I like everything, because no matter what I am doing, it's helping. It is a nice feeling to be needed."

SpecialEducation/ Railsplitter Express

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**ALL ABOARD**

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**Students Dish Up Teacher Lunches**

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**ull Steam Ahead**. Preparing all the sides for the teacher's lunches is Leslie Cole '04. Cole comes to help when she has free time. "I enjoy helping, it's a lot of fun. It feels good to help," said Cole.

**Order Up**. Making a taco salad for lunch is Ms. Karen Lewis and Mr. Anthony Finley. Ms. Lewis has been helping supervise the business for five years. Mr. Finley helps the students with special activities.

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By Britanie Helton '05
Jump Start. At the start of Economics class, Jessica Goode '05 grabs the daily warm up. Taking the time to read the warm-up reinforced what Goode learned in the previous lesson.

Under Pressure. Working diligently to finish his work is Timothy LaChance '04. LaChance's hard work at school gave him less homework to do when he got home.

Today's News, Tomorrow's History

A major decision regarding Government was made this year, which will affect next year's juniors. Government, traditionally a seniors-only course, will now be offered to juniors. This would better prepare students for the MEAP.

Is being able to take Government your junior year an advantage or disadvantage?

"It's an advantage because it gives juniors a head start on the MEAP."  
"I feel it is a disadvantage; seniors can relate and understand Government class more."  
"It's an advantage because if juniors fail, there is always their senior year to make up for it."

By Jennifer Letterman '04
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Man's Best Friend. Lounging around with his dog isn't Mr. John Zrioka. He brought this Terrier mix into his family in the year 2001 and gave her the name "Laika".

When people hear the term "teacher's pet", they often think of the class suck-up. But when teacher's leave for home, a real pet is often waiting to be fed or played with.

Seventy-eight percent of staff members here at Lincoln own a pet, with a 36% majority of them owning dogs.

Thirty-two percent of them own cats, while only ten percent have another type of animal, ranging from rodents to full grown snakes. A mere one percent own fish.

So the next time you tease the in-class teacher's pet, just take a minute to remember their real ones at home, all alone.
Think about all the types of things there are to do in your spare time. No, not sports or jobs - the other stuff. The stuff that looks good on college applications. Those activities range from the dance team to the computer club to Student Council or SADD. Staying after school is usually required for whatever organization you take part in, but the benefits outweigh the negatives. There’s something for everyone and no matter what students join, they walk away with pride and satisfaction.
Do you find it challenging, as a Student Council member, to make decisions that affect the whole student body?

A: No, we all vote and it's fun to make decisions for people who would not be able to make them themselves very easily.

Erica Liddicoat '03

A: Yes, it is difficult sometimes, but there are a lot of people from all different grades, and I think that helps.

Kelsey Allen '05

A: Sometimes. But it is a long and careful process.

Laura Smerek '03

Ready, willing and able.

Each holiday season, students help contribute to people who are in need of food. Bringing in non-perishable items and cans give Kaylee Towler '04 and Jovan McGee '04 a sense of purpose. In many classes, students who contribute also get extra credit for their kindness.

Good with Cans. Choir representatives Cameron Richardson '04 and Lauren Ashford '03 help the cause for the adopted family of Student Council. With no help from Ms. Revord's homeroom students, Richardson struggles to drag the overflowing box of canned food goods for the needy.

Adviser: Ms. Lori Minthorn

Picking and Choosing. Even Darryl Groce '94 knows that the items that are brought in should be non-perishable items, meaning they can be transported easily without the danger of breaking open, spoiling or otherwise being damaged. Students load their book bags with the knowledge that they are helping contribute to a worthy cause.

The desire and ability to serve one's school, as well as the community, are the main expectations of all Student Council members. Two of the most important causes Student Council takes on during the holiday season are the "adoption" of a family in need and the canned food drive for the hungry. These endeavors promote community awareness and responsibility for the students.

While continuing to offer community service, Student Council also deals with many issues within the school, such as Homecoming and Cominghome. They also honor teachers on Teacher Appreciation Day.

Heart to Heart
Student Council Creates Community Connections
By Jennifer Sai '05
Does spending so much time organizing class functions and fundraisers affect your social life outside of school?

**A:** "Yeah, especially around busy times like Homecoming when you have a lot of work to do."

Lauren Aldridge '05

**A:** "No, because all of the meetings are scheduled for after school."

Timothy Finnigan '06

**A:** "Sometimes it takes up a lot of your free time and you have to miss out on something you want to do, that you feel are really important."

Laura Bargardi '04

Making it Fit. Making the most of limited cargo space in his vehicle, Eric Pratt '04, meticulously loads his Ford truck with bottles and cans. Pratt had good intentions lending his truck to help with transporting many of the filled bags, although some of the vehicles ended up smelly and sticky from the leftover liquids.

Dime at a Time. When collecting cans and bottles, class representative Ashton Bullock '04 does not worry about her hands getting dirty. It is all about the money for Prom that was raised.
There are numerous fundraisers that occur throughout the school year. In addition to creative decisions surrounding the two Spirit Weeks, it’s the class officers’ job to organize bottle drives, car washes, cookie dough sales and sucker sales, to name a few.

The Junior/Senior Prom is organized and funded by the junior class. A cookie dough sale proved to be a fast and easy way to make a few bucks, but bottle drives and pizza kits were also important fundraisers.

To contribute to the sophomore class fund, class officers took orders from teachers to make homemade cookies at Christmas. These cookies were made and delivered before the holiday break.

Beginning their first year, the freshman class started with a sucker sale. This sale will start supporting future activities.

Senior officers felt their fundraising days were over, so they concentrated on Spirit Weeks and graduation.
Q: What is your favorite part about being a member of National Honor Society?

A: "To have the opportunity to get together with a great group of people to help the community."
Kali Bobak '04

A: "Being with my friends while having the opportunity to help better the community."
Jennifer Fink '04

A: "I'm happy to help people and to get recognized for it."
Lindsay Godsey '05

Taking Time For Friends. Waiting for new instructions on what to do are Nicole Anguim '04 and Jessica Zielinski '04. As they stood talking, Anguim and Zielinski discussed what they had done earlier in the day. A positive aspect of National Honor Society is having extra time to spend with friends while still helping with activities.

Time Together. Talking after the induction ceremony are Karen Ok '04, Jessica Zielinski '04, Traci Taylor '04, Richard Roe '04, Mary McPhail '03 and Alexis Floyd '03. The reception allowed new members to mingle with established members.

Give the Gift of Life. Giving blood on his seventeenth birthday is Jacob Viers '03. NHS holds two blood drives each year.

Throughout the year, the National Honor Society carries out many projects to better the community.

Like Student Council, one of the main goals of the National Honor Society is to perform community service projects. NHS conducted two blood drives, provided academic support and assistance through tutoring, raised money for Cystic Fibrosis via a Bowl-a-thon at Maple Lanes and held a clothing drive for Purple Heart.

The National Honor Society promotes character, leadership, academic achievement and community service.

Helping Hands

NHS Gives 'til it Hurts

By Amanda Larsen '04

National Honor Society
Q: Do you feel USO members show enough dedication to the organization?

A: "No, more dedication needs to be shown. USO gives you good experiences, plus you learn from one another and about the struggles of different cultures."
Brian Peoples '04

A: "Dedication is shown, it teaches kids in school to work together and to communicate among one another."
Dominique English-Willis '04

A: "They need more dedication. People are missing out on a big opportunities, it can really help them out life."
Nathaniel Jones '04

B: Belting it Out. Being a high soprano is hard work. Ebenee Evans '06, is attempting to stay in tune with the rest of the choir. The whole choir is preparing for the NAAPID day presentation.

S: Showtime! Improving their new steps are Chase Dixon '04 and Timothy Walker '06. Staying on beat was easy for Dixon and Walker. The step show is the grand finale after the NAAPID dinner.

Investing the time to remember the new step, Brian Peoples '04 practices rigorously. Peoples memorized the routine without a problem.
Adviser:
Ms. Sharolyn Dixon

USO, Front Row: Ashley Cooper, Ashton Bullock, Jessica Lynch, Kirsten Russell, Chase Dixon, Terrance Puryear, DeAngelo Jones. Second Row:
Richard Brown, Brian Peoples, Isiah Jones, Jessica Portier, Ashleigh White, Jane Feidler, Krystalynn Ingram, Le’Darryl Williams, Cherrita Lewis. Back Row: Collette Turange, Lauren Ashford, Kevin Chambers, Genia Dean

Music Man. Getting ready to direct the gospel choir on who needs to come in at what time, is Terrance Puryear ‘03. "They don’t listen, but in the end they always come together," said Puryear.

Unity is something that is expected in school and in the workforce. To be united means to come together as one to form a whole. USO strives to unite our diverse student body. The ability to accept differences is a desirable life skill that will only serve as a benefit in the future.

The United Student Organization is a group that teaches tolerance and explores diversity in positive ways, especially highlighting minority cultures.

USO figures prominently in the organization and presentation of National African American Parent Involvement day (NAAPID), among other cultural awareness projects.

Steppin’ Up

Unity is USO Goal

By Ashton Bullock ’04
What was your most embarrassing moment as one of the cast members of the musical *Funny Girl*?

**A:** "When my big hat fell off during one of the dress rehearsals. I was nervous for the rest of the show!"

Amanda Robbins '05

**A:** "When I missed one of my entrances on one of the nights of the show. I felt really stupid!"

Andrew Patton '05

**A:** "When my microphone was being all weird for one of the previews, I was so embarrassed!"

Christine Carpenter '03

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Embracing Elegance. Standing strong, Evan LaFrance '06 sings his heart out. The wedding guests appeared in the background in the musical *Funny Girl*.

Doing what she loves most, Rachel Pomeroy '03, dances her heart away. With such a small cast, many of the actors had to play more than one role.

**Tuning In.** Eavesdropping to a conversation being acted out onstage are lead showgirls Megan Allen '03, Ashleigh Peoples '03 and Nicole Anguilm '04. Though this was their first year in drama, they had no problem feeling right at home.

Setting the Tone. Acting out a love scene, Christine Carpenter '03 and Nicholas Hardecki '04 take the audience by storm. These two leads, along with the rest of the cast, had a lot of fun and shared many memories while working together for the musical Funny Girl.

The average musical lasts about two and a half to three hours, but the time it takes to put the production together to make a great performance is much longer. There are several months of preparation including rehearsals, set and costume design, lighting and sound trials – the list goes on and on!

The fall musical Funny Girl was made up of one of the smallest casts that the drama department has had in recent years. This situation, however, was not all that bad. It brought the cast and crew together to work as a tight-knit team and to grow as a family.

In the end, as usual, the cast agreed it was all worth it.

It's a Funny Thing

The Cast of Funny Girl Makes the Most of Their Small Size

By Nicholas Hardecki '04 and Brittany Sullivan '04
How are you an asset to the dance team?

A: I think I bring fun and excitement to the dance team and a very positive attitude.
Shamica McDonald ‘04

A: I would like to think I could bring new dance routines that everyone would enjoy.
Rashonna Russaw ‘05

A: I think I bring laughter, creativity and a strong will to succeed to the team.
Lauren Ashford ‘03

Music to my Ears. Pounding her fist to the pulse of the beat, Domnique Page ‘03 concentrates on making every move perfect. An infusion of current hip hop sounds and lyrics filled the gymnasium during the Homecoming Pep Assembly, giving the team “something to dance to.”

Radical Rhythm. An energetic Breanne Cordle ‘03 gives her first major performance of the year. Gifted in both dance and song, Cordle was one of the most visible seniors in 2003.
Dancin' Up a Storm. The dance team puts what they've learned to the test while performing at the Homecoming Pep Assembly. With only a few mistakes, it turned out to be a successful performance.

Over the last year, the dance team has grown to be a major attraction at games and other events. Many students go to see the new routines and moves the team has come up with while dancing to the latest songs of the year. "I usually only go to the games if the dance team is performing," said Jessica Lynch '03.

Organized last year, the dance team has become more team and goal-oriented, under the direction of Ms. Tanya Hill and her choreographer, Ms. Kerin Carlson. With a large and diverse team, a new flavor of moves and creativity were brought to each of the performances.

Workin' It!
A Growing Dance Team Strives to Entertain

By Joy Redmond '04
The Computer Club benefits me by helping me get my homework done especially if it needs to be typed.

Jordan Hall '04

How does the Computer Club benefit you?

Q:

A:

The computer club benefits me by helping me get my homework done especially if it needs to be typed.

Christian McDonald '06

Have you ever wondered what the computer club could do for you? If you could set aside two hours twice a week, you would find out how to work with a computer when it freezes up, as well as learn about more of the programs on a computer. Members also help each other with homework and use the time to type assignments. Since computers are vital in most careers, this is one club students cannot afford to overlook.

Screen Savers

Computer Club Attempts to Solve Tech Troubles

By Nicholas Gimson '04

Movie Makers. Computer club adviser Ms. Gurganus looks over the ideas that William Themm '06, Darrell Lovett '05 and Jonathon Wilson '06 have come up with for the next scene for the computer movie they're making about vampires. "This will not be an easy scene to make," said Gurganus. By the end of the day they were ready to shoot the next scene.

What's in a Name?

SADD Challenges Students to Make Good Choices

By Jessica Dewalt '04

W hat is your most memorable moment while being in SADD?

M any people think that SADD stands for “Students Against Drunk Driving”. But this name was changed to “Students Against Destructive Decisions” in 1997 as a result of pressure from members who wanted to expand the cause.

SADD continues to send their message out about drunk driving, but have added an extended focus. SADD’s new agenda includes the prevention of impaired driving, substance abuse, suicide, underage drinking and violence.

SADD has been promoting their “no use” message for 20 years and plans to continue until the only decisions made are good ones.

At the very first meeting of the year, I was surprised and delighted to see how many new people had joined.”

Kristen Russell '03

“The day we put ribbons on every car in the parking lot and it was freezing.”

Christine Carpenter '03


L ional Pride. Representing SADD in the Homecoming parade is David Katanski ’04 as the DARE lion. While showing great spirit and excitement, he livened up the crowd.
The class of 2003 will be the smallest graduating class in ten years. They started their freshman year off with 430 students. On graduation night, only 230 students will walk across the stage to receive their diplomas. The seniors have gone through a lot of ups and downs since their freshman year, but through it all they finally learned to work together to accomplish their goals. This is their time, this is their year and these are their memories. Presenting the class of 2003...
"I want to give a shout out to my ex-boyfriend Rashard Jones. Three years is a long time.
-Love, Alexis Floyd

Kevin Chambers and I are getting married the second Saturday after I turn 21.
-Genia Dean

"Hey Aaron! You've made my high school years great! Love ya!"
-Laura Gillesse

"It really shouldn't be a secret, but... JESUS loves you!"
-Tammy Lawson

"I want to give a shout out to my secret crush Mike Ellis. Take your time boo."
-Lauren Williams
It is very difficult for a relationship when one person goes to Eastern and the other goes to the University of Indiana. Because of this, most high school relationships don’t last after graduation day. That is why seniors have to work extra hard to make their last year with their sweetheart the best that it could possibly be.

Sometimes graduates opt for a long distance relationship where trust is a main issue. “To be in love is to trust someone and to be comfortable in any situation you are forced into, even if that means they are thousands of miles away,” said Justin Marsiglia.

Most seniors tend to agree that with a little trust and a long distance phone service, any relationship is worth trying.

Can’t Hardly Wait. Getting ready to leave for the Homecoming Dance, Gay Phipps and Kyle LaFave wait for their limo to arrive. These two sweethearts have been together for a little over a year.

Together Forever. Making their way to lunch, Genia Dean and Kevin Chambers stop for a quick smooch. Eating lunch together became an everyday thing for Dean and Chambers.

“Hey Brandon! I want to give a shout out to the biggest crush I had in high school, Matt. C. I’ll miss you.” -Erin Barron

“I had the biggest crush on Justin McDade and Terrance Puryear.” -Crystal Burks

“I would like to give a shout out to John McCut! We miss you! And a secret to Danny Dew, I used to like you!” -Holly Johnson

“I love you boo! Keep ya head up!” -Melissa Theodore

“Hey Brandon! I love you too! Keep ya head up!” -Crystal Burks

“I want to give a shout out to the biggest crush I had in high school, Matt C. I’ll miss you.” -Erin Barron

By Tahirah Gray '03
Every year Storer Camps asks Lincoln High School to help them out with the sixth graders that go to camp for a week and this year was no exception. It has always been that too many girls want to help out with camp, but they never have enough boys. Usually, only seniors are invited.

**Pack Rats.** Packing the bus full of luggage are Kathryn Wright and Cay Phipps. The bus had to be repacked so all of the bags could fit.

Sixth grade camp also gave seniors the chance to try a potential career option. "It was a great week! If I could go back tomorrow, I definitely would. It made me start thinking about a career working with kids," said Mandy Burton. Camp allowed them to get a good look at child care.

**Snow Bunnies.** After rolling around in the snow, camp counselors huddled to warm up. The counselors promised to roll in the snow if the kids got "0" food waste.

"When about six of us skipped school and we all got caught and served ISS; it was terrible."
- Latasha Turner

"I walked into LHS. I thought I'd never make so many great friends in the past two years, but I did."
- Eric Addesso

"I tripped on a fence during cross country practice and fell flat on my face."
- Jane Fiedler

"After the baseball team won the SEC in 2002. It was the greatest game of our lives."
- Daniel Dew

"Remember The Time..."

By Tahirah Gray '03
Remember The Time...

"When Jamey Bell and I got into a ketchup fight."
- Brian Shevronich

"When all of the seniors did project orange and we decorated the school with a bunch of orange stuff."
- Katy Daniels

"When I rode on the top of a minivan going 70 mph when it was raining on the dirt road."
- William Dombos

"When my friends and I put our bras on a ceiling fan."
- Talisha Dudley
To all of the people who always encouraged me and kept me laughing and to my mom...  
-Terrance Puryear

Justin Dunn, you are the hottest guy ever.
-Desiree Sims

I want to say ‘word up’ to all of my friends and to us, ‘03, we rock!
-Aaron Shukait

I live for the nights I’ll never remember with the friends I’ll never forget!
-Therese Willingham

I will miss the people I grew up with and hope the best for everyone.
-Justin Maniglia
There are many myths that go along with being a senior. Some are true and others are just that, myths.

One of the main myths at Lincoln is that seniors can get away with anything, but if you were to ask Sarah Lambert, she would say, “Seniors do NOT get away with everything, especially things that include pumpkins.” Being disqualified for class color day during Homecoming spirit week, only proved that seniors aren’t as invincible as they thought they were.

A lesson to us all, pumpkin smashing is bad. Very, very bad.

Busted! Fulfilling his duties as rule enforcer, Andre Bond keeps Adam Mellinger from skipping class. Sadly, it was a perfect warm, sunny day to skip school.

Seniors Shout Out...

I remember all of the crazy parties and memories that the class of 2003 made and I’ll never forget them.

-Miranda Thompson

“Luv Ya Mail”

-Mark Michalk

“Ever since ninth grade when I first moved here I always had a crush on Ben Weak.”

-Claudia Perez

“I want to give a shout out to my bestest guy friend at Lincoln, Terrance Pryear, I love ya man.”

-Justin Hennon

“Big up’s to my bestest guy friend at Lincoln, Mallory McCoy

-Seniors

By Tahirah Gray '03
Seniors sometimes think that driving is a right, when actually it is a privilege that must be earned.

Learning what to do when being pulled over is one of the things they don’t teach in driver’s ed., but is as important as parallel parking.

It’s important to know what will be asked for: driver’s license, registration and proof of insurance. Cynthia Whittenberg said “When Melanie Lay and I got pulled over we didn’t know what the proof of insurance or registration looked like so we gave him a receipt from Best Buy.”

Driving is a learning experience, one that is achieved by trial and error.

License to Drive. A valid driver’s license must be on the driver whenever behind the wheel. This proves that the proper courses were taken and passed.
"I snorted breath mints."
-John Dreffa

"When I punched John Anderson and he fell into the overhead and started bleeding. I laughed, but felt bad."
-Lauren Ashford

"A cheerleader tried to kiss me under the bleachers."
-Matthew Giraud

"When Bill Dombos was riding on top of Josh Delano’s van going down Aikenos. He was so funny and he held on the whole time."
-Stephanie Harris
To Bump, Grind and Splurge, I will miss you! Cough, Cough, Cough!
- Abby Smith

Do not park on Judd Road, I will catch you.
- Todd Ross

"Hey Mike, You’ve really made my senior year something to remember! Love ya!"
- Melanie Lay

"I have a belly button."
- Christopher Lee

"We have finally done it guys. Class of 2003! I love all of my girls."
- Katie Wagner
All jobs, no matter how small, come with responsibility. Having responsibility means being on top of things at all times. It doesn't mean that when business gets slow it's okay to goof around.

Having a job can also be fun. Megan Allen said about her memorable job experience. "My first job was at Dairy Queen.

Flipp'n Patties. Preparing a hamburger, Britney Hubbard reads the screen ensuring the order is correct. Hubbard has been employed at McDonald's for two years.

where Therese Willingham worked, too. One time when it was raining and we had no customers, Therese put her mouth under the ice cream machine and it poured right into her mouth."

Having fun and doing crazy things keep a job from getting too serious. It also helps to have friends around to pass the time.

Ice Cream Dream. Many students have worked at different ice cream parlors through our Washtenaw County. Dairy Queen just happens to be a popular choice for first-time employment.

"I'm really a man." - Eddie Ford

"I want to give a shout out to all of the graduates of 2003." - Ashley Cooper

"02" - Brian Holmes

"I love you, Danny!" - Jessica Copley

"Brittany Majka, I love you!" - Christopher McGough

By Tahriah Gray '03
Living in Fear

Since September 11, 2001, Americans have changed. We have become more cautious, more aware of current events and more patriotic.

The better part of the school year was spent wondering when and where the next terrorist attack would occur and whether or not the nation would be heading to war. As security levels rose to high alert, talks of war with Iraq and North Korea filled the airwaves. Chemical warfare became a possibility. Vaccines for deadly diseases were suddenly in demand. And Osama is still on the loose.

Peace Talk. Posing threats to each other, Osama Bin Laden, Saddam Hussein, President Kim Dae-jung and President George W. Bush are discussing world problems to make peace.

Cautious Actions. American soldiers in Iraq are taking as many precautions against the threat of chemical warfare. It has become evident that there may be no peaceful way to disarm Saddam Hussein.
"When I scored a touchdown during my first football game."
- Antonio Clifton

"When a friend and I jumped out of Mr. Schaap's window in the eighth grade."
- Mary McPhail

"When I fell on a back handspring during the cominghome pep rally in front of the whole school."
- Ashleigh Peoples

"When I won my first medal in track."
- Shaun McGeehe
“Brooke and Lauren Hudge, I love you with all of my heart and may God bless you.”
-Breanne Cordle

“What’s up to all my friends and thank for always being there for me. Peace!”
-Jake Bicksler

“I’d like to shout out myself because without me a lot of people would be sad.”
-Ryan Adrionie

“I will miss everyone I grew up with.”
-Brian Priano

"Jennifer Booth wears toe socks in the pool."
-Brooke Hartsoe

Seniors Shout Out...

Thompkins - Willingham
Dear Seniors,

After graduation you move on to bigger and better things, but don't forget the people that made your high school years the best that they could be.

Your high school friends may not always be there for you later in life, but remember, because of them, you became the person you are today.

Don't forget the wild parties,

Chat Central. Talking up a storm is Marian Altenbernt, Tahirah Gray, Abby Smith and Sarah Lambert. These girls will really miss each other after graduation.

the late night talks with friends and the close basketball games, but most of all don't forget each other.

These are the people who made you laugh and the people who made you cry. They are the people who, for the first 13 years of your life, were always there for you. You should always remember these days.

-Tahirah Gray

The Last Laugh. Wasting class time, Marian Altenbernt and Tahirah Gray make fun of each other. These two will miss each other when Altenbernt goes to Michigan Tech and Gray goes to EMU.

By Tahirah Gray '03
ime Together. Before lunch, Steven Harwood '04 and Jeanette Jayne '03 stop for a quick hug. Jayne and Harwood started dating while Jayne was a junior. These two plan on staying together throughout their final high school years.

nder Pressure. Taking ACTs and SATs are an important part of college preparation. Most Michigan colleges require the ACT, while out-of-state schools rely on SAT scores for admission. The ACT test should have been taken junior year in order to meet application deadlines, which are usually early senior year.

Registration Packet
2002–2003
ACT REGISTRATION

Q: What advice would you leave for future seniors?

A: "Apply for colleges and scholarships ASAP. Take your ACT and/or SAT. DO NOT WAIT!"
T errance Puryear

A: "Concentrate on school, but do everything you want to do. Keep focused and get all your credits."
John Alford III

Words of Wisdom
Seniors Leave Advice for Friends
By Amanda Larsen '04

"Do not procrastinate. Apply for colleges early and keep in mind the end, because that is what really matters."
-Dennis Goette

"Just have fun and ignore all the drama. Other people are not worth it if all they do is cause you problems."
-Keri Carpenter

"Do not slack off freshman and sophomore year because it will catch up with you in the end."
-Justin Heiser

"Do not wait until the last minute to do your homework, it all eventually affects your college admittance."
-Andrea Bush

Study Buddies. Taking time to help Ashleigh White '06 with her global perspectives homework is Kristen Russell '03. Russell's advice? "Whatever you do, do it BIG!"
Honors Convocation Doles Out 400k

By Amanda Larsen '04 and Ashley Ingram '04

That's the Way it Goes. Going over the program together are Mr. Scott Snyder and Justin Marsiglia. Marsiglia was unsure of what to do when, so he asked Mr. Snyder to explain it again.

More than $400,000 in scholarships were awarded to numerous lucky graduates at the Honors Convocation held June 11. The annual ceremony honors those who have maintained excellence throughout their high school years, although every senior is required to attend in order to show their support.

There were 156 recipients of the Merit Award given by the State of Michigan for achieving the required score on the MEAP test. Christopher Billiu was the big winner of the night with a $50,000 scholarship from the Air Force.

One highlight of the night came courtesy of Athletic Director Sid Wright, who got caught up and nearly tripped on a bundle of balloons onstage. Fortunately, there were no injuries and the moment provided a light-hearted, welcome break in the always-too-long evening.

Many thanks go out to the generous contributors and a round of applause to their recipients.
How does it feel to finally be a graduate?

A: “It feels good to finally be done. There are certain aspects that I will miss, but I’m ready to move on.”

Sara Denny

A: “I’m going to miss it, but I have a lot of things to look forward to.”

Steven Lore

A: “This is what I have been waiting for and it is finally here! I’m going to miss all my friends, but we are done! Congrats, Class of ’03!”

Keri Carpenter
The Faces in the Crowd: Gathering together for the last time, each member of the Class of 2003 collects their final thoughts before embarking on the journey of a lifetime. The processional into the gym was emotional for most, though they couldn't wait for this day to finally arrive.

Capture the Moment: With cameras ready and smiles from ear to ear, this happy trio, Jessica Copley, Jane Hammond and Lacy Harris, share a special memory. It was a day of friends, family and the flash of numerous cameras throughout the evening.

On Friday the 13th the senior class walked the scariest walk of all...into adulthood. Though highly anticipated, graduation day signifies the end of one path and the beginning of another. It is the journey into the unknown that both terrifies and excites.

Graduates will leave with the memories that they have made: the laughs, the tears, the parties, the fights, the gossip, the tests, the teachers, the friends, the first loves, the break-ups...Now it's finally over.

The packed ceremony, held in the gym, was led by our valedictorian Jane Fiedler and our salutatorian Kayleigh Lebak.

A Moment Like This

Presenting the Class of 2003...

By Ashley Ingram '04 and Jennifer Sai '05

Graduation
Pitching an inning of baseball is not just a hobby. For some, sports
are life itself. They eat, sleep and breathe sports. When not playing,
they’re watching. In fact, without sports, many athletes wouldn’t
even come to school. And without the eligibility requirements,
the athletes might not excel in academics to the extent they do.

Around here, despite the outcome of the competition, sports
rule! Growing up in a small, rural area sometimes means a high
school football game is the weekend’s main event. Clearly,
athletes and their fans take time out for their favorite sports.
By Nicholas Hardecki '04
In the fall, most fans sit in the stands, cheering for their favorite team and give very little thought to the months of preparation that lead up to the first game. Students who participate in fall sports often have to cut short their summer vacations to begin the rigorous, tiring training that results in their best athletic endeavors. There are many different ways fall sport participants prepare both mentally and physically.

Athletes start preparing for the season physically by maintaining a better nutritional diet and working on their physique. "In the summer, I ran a few miles every other day, practiced kicking the ball, worked on different moves and did sprinting drills," said Calvin Hiltunen '05.

Other students took the time to attend various camps, such as the United Cheerleading Association (UCA), Hobby Crest Resort (cross country) and North Wood Camp (girls' basketball).

Mentally, students prepare themselves for their sport by getting rest and often cheering on themselves and their teammates.

Preparing and conditioning for fall sports get students' bodies and minds in shape for the challenges of the season to come. In order for them to be successful, they had to make try-outs, attend practices on time and most importantly, give it their all.

Practices are often strenuous, but in the end, worthwhile. Whether the team has a winning season or not, players should be proud.
While some students are practicing for the season ahead, others are out having fun in other ways. Activities range from skateboarding, doing bmx tricks or four-wheeling.

- Flying through the air on his skateboard is Bradley Klein '04.
- Sitting on a skateboard ramp deciding what tricks to do next are Erik Lacoss '04 and Desi Turner '04.
- Riding up a dirt mound and going sky high on his bike is Ryan Fleming '04.
- Skating up a ramp and doing a "roast beef grab" on the down is Brandon Warden '05.

Swift as the Wind.
Working on her form is Beth Selter '06. Selter's intuition pushed her to do her best.

Giddy Up.
Galloping on her horse Ruby, is Holly Malmquist '04. Ruby is one of the eight horses Malmquist loves to ride.

Take it to the Hoop.
Getting ready to run their play are Rashonna Russaw '05 and Elise Cooper '05. Pioneer won the game, but not without a fight.

Jump for it.
Reaching with all his might, Erik Odom '06 plunges for the ball. Odom's good coordination helped him succeed.

In the Bag.
Concentrating on his game, Andrew Wilson '03 sets up for the next tee-off. Wilson's determination gave him a lot to look forward to.
All For One, One For All

Teamwork is the Key to Success

By Joy Redmond '04 & Jennifer Sai '05

What is teamwork? According to the American Heritage Dictionary it means "to give a cooperative effort." On the court it means using good judgement and sharing the ball. On the field it means communicating with teammates and passing the ball. In the pool it means to try your best and to always show your spirit.

One of the things a coach looks for in an athlete is the ability of a player to commit to the criteria and work in a team-oriented situation. Students who play a team sport, whether it is swimming, soccer, basketball, golf, tennis, cross country, equestrian, cheerleading or football, all strive for a common goal. They want to play as a team and make the final outcome a win in their favor.

Many of the girls' teams build a unique bond during the season. By spending an enormous amount of time with each other at sleep-overs and outings, individuality is often lost as the team grows as one. Some boys' teams, such as football, meet for a meal before or after a game. Trust and patience are stressed to create unity for all teams.

Even when individuals strive for personal bests it all comes together in the end. For instance, golf and tennis are matched individually against our rivals from other schools. After all of the hard work they each add up to create a score for the team. Teamwork is not only expressed in sports, but in the classroom and in the work force. It has become a necessity in order to survive in the real world.

The girls' varsity basketball team pays tribute to our country while the National Anthem is played. Even though a player was injured and unable to play in the game, they still stood strong as a team.

Running with Pride. The varsity football team gets worked up for the football game once again, due to the cancellation of the game the day before. Though the game didn't go as they planned, they worked hard to make every play the best it could be.

Time Out

Holding Tradition. Before the meet, the swim team psychs each other out for the hard work that is to be shown later on in the evening. In the end they were only short by 65 points.

How Sweet it is. Placing in the top 35 during the Braves Invitational at Ypsilanti High, teammates Adrian Correa '06, Jacob Watson '04, Elijah Kyler '05 and Greg Crouch '04 show off their medals. It was a great start to the beginning of their season.

Fall Sports: Teamwork

Q:

What is your definition of teamwork?

Andrea Allen '05
"There is no I in team."

Sarah Winkle '04
"Working to achieve a common goal that everyone wants."

Kyle Gower '05
"Teamwork is always sticking with your team."
Bashing the Play. In an attempt to even the score against Dexter, Nathan Lucier '06 kicks the ball to the other end of the field. However, the score was not affected, remaining 3-2 in favor of Dexter.

Pump Up the Spirit. The varsity cheer team shows the true colors of Lincoln at the Homecoming Pep Assembly. A lot of preparation went into the routine and in the end, it showed.

Chattin' It Up. Discussing strategy during an afternoon practice. Renee Lilyhoorn '05 and Libbie Burton '06 meet at the net. These talks were vital prior to a match.

**Holding Your Own**

By Marian Altenbernt '03

A team does not always do everything as a "team." Many sports count on how an individual does in their prospective events. "Run hard, swim fast, drive deep," are all common sayings for those who depend on themselves, but work hard for the team. In the end, it is all of the scores combined that indicates who goes home with a victory.

*Waiting for the serve is Ashley Heiss '06. Heiss makes sure to stay focused on the game at hand. *Swimming the butterfly stroke is Jessica Burdette '03. This is Burdette's last year swimming. *Watching his golf ball fly way out there is Jacob Truhn '06. Truhn wonders where the ball will land on the course.*
Another year rolled around and with it came new sporting facilities. The year began with the addition of $200,000 tennis courts and new girls and boys varsity tennis teams.

Additionally, the swimming pool was subject to many updates. It was deepened three feet, new starting blocks were installed, as well as a new roof. Both the boys and girls locker rooms were totally renovated, with new tile flooring and new lockers.

Another expense that Lincoln’s sport budget splurged on was new uniforms. With an increase of athletes, the soccer, swimming and of course, new tennis teams have all received new uniforms.

Each uniform has a range in price from $45-$110. This brings up each team’s budget. One of the biggest and most expensive budgets belongs to the football team. The football team has a large number of players that increase every year, causing their already large budget to expand every year.

Each team has more than enough things to spend money on... equipment, refs and uniforms. The refs take a lot of money from each team, but the game couldn’t be played without them, or any of the necessary equipment.

Money for facilities and equipment is hard to come by because it takes so long to raise it, and the school district can only help out so much. Teams must rely on boosters, donations and fundraisers to meet the bulk of their needs.

Before the game, the varsity football team leaves their practice equipment outside the portable classroom. There isn’t much room in there, especially while they are getting pumped up.
Everything costs money these days and everyone complains about having to spend it. But what team would be complete without the necessary equipment? Not only is equipment needed for games, but for the athletes to practice as well. In order for teams to be competitive, pennies cannot be pinched.

Goal posts for football cost around $2500. Cross-country spikes, for running races in, are anywhere from $40.00 to $90.00. Swim goggles cost about $10.00 while the caps are $20.00. Soccer balls cost from $24.99 to $39.99. A single football helmet ranges from $90-$120. Even though the popularity of sports has increased over the years, the cost hasn’t been cheap. One way or another each team contributes to the deficit.

**Time Out**

**Keepin’ Your Guard Up.**
Moving down the court, Charlene Dennings ’06 is guarded by a Pioneer player. Dennings kept the competition from getting a turnover.

**Move It Or Lose It.**
Snatching the ball from an opponent, Chester Bell ’03 helps the team out. Bell made All-State in his fourth year of soccer.

**Swimming into Action.**
Taking a deep breath before going back under, Angelica Gonzales ’05 plunges on. Gonzales pushes herself for the load time in her event.

**Reach For The Sky.**
Pumping the crowd up at a football game, Terri Felt ’06 rises to the occasion. This was her first year as a high school cheerleader.

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Fall Sports: Uniforms, Equipment and Facilities
# Girls Varsity Basketball

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Fall Sports Team Photos

"I thought the season went really good. We improved a lot and actually supported all the sport teams. We also improved our moves as a team."

Ashleigh Peoples '03

"I think the season went really well. After we went to camp, we really came together as a team."

Laura Raymond '05

"My first year went better than I thought. It was a lot of fun."

Kauri Wellings '05

"My first year went good. Varsity helped us a lot and it was a lot of fun."

Stephanie Whittenberg '06

"The team was really really close this year, just like a family. I love them to death. I'm going to miss everyone when I leave for college."

Jane Fiedler '03

"This was my first year and I had so much fun. The girls were really nice and supportive. I can't wait for next year."

Beth Selter '06


"Every race felt like it would be impossible to finish. Running with friends and was always what made me go faster. It pushed me harder to pull our team through a meet."

Gregory Crouch '04

"It was hard because we did a lot of running. Cross country was a lot of fun though. It taught me leadership skills."

Elijah Kyler '05

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By Marian Altenbernt '03

"As a senior, my last season was special to me. I wish we would have made it to States, but we had a really good season overall."

Chelsea Cutright '03

"We had a really good season this year. We didn't make it to States but there's always next year."

Shelly Johnson '05

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In the past, large numbers of athletes played with low grades. Now, students who play sports are not allowed to drop below a 2.0 GPA throughout the season. Failing to make this requirement could result in that player being unable to represent the team for the rest of the season, or if they are lucky, for only a couple of games. This is known as being "ineligible" for play.

Poor grades are not the only things that holds back players. Another reason for having so many "benchwarmers" are injuries. The most common injuries include sprained or broken limbs.

When short players, coaches must make decisions whether to pull players up from the freshman or jv teams or continue playing with less team members, based on how it will benefit the team.

All through the varsity and jv basketball season, several players were moved up from the freshman and jv teams at the last minute to replace ineligible or injured team members. Players who are pulled up have a limited amount of time to learn new plays and get acquainted with their new team.

"It hurts us because we do not have all of our original players and we have to bring new players in and teach the our plays, so it takes us a long time," said Justin Russaw '04.

Injuries and ineligibilities have had a major role in the past season for our winter sports teams. It's a coaches challenge to find the right replacements. In return, the players gain the experience of a more demanding team.

"I had just finished a wrestling match and my dad threw me a Gatorade. When he tossed it to me, the bottle blasted me in the eye. I guess my arms were just so tired from wrestling in the beginning of the meet."

Nicholas Dochych '05
There are various reasons why some athletes are called “benchwarmers.” Sometimes they have an injury and cannot play in the game. Other times it is because of their poor grades and they have to wait until they are eligible. Or the coach just doesn’t put them in the game because that player isn’t as good as the one on the court. In any case, sitting on the bench can be very frustrating.

Waiting impatiently for the game to begin again are Crystal Vick '06, Katie Ostrowski '06, Beth Selter '06, Meghan Burch '06, Angela DeGrandis '06 and Coach Andrea Kurizich. Boredom set in as the seconds ticked by. Intently watching the match at hand are Dennis Goette '03 and Nicholas Dochyc '05. These two can hardly sit still. Taking a quick breather are John Abhanny '05, Sean Pringle '05 and Nathan Lucier '06. Pringle took a water break as well.

Situation Under Control. Trying to roll his opponent over in order to pin him is Kyle O'Keefe '05. O'Keefe used techniques and moves that he learned during practices.

Hit n' Away. Getting ready to serve the ball is Jenna Arwood '06. Arwood showed great form despite this being her first year playing at the high school level.

Going for the Puck. Skating low and gaining an advantage over the Willow Run team is Kyle Spears '03. Spears was the captain of the hockey team and played hockey all four years of high school.

Winter Sports-Injuries and Ineligibility
Society has been made to believe that winning is always the best. Although there are many perks to winning, a lot can be learned from loss.

Advantages to winning can range from the fans cheering in the stands, to the congratulating pats on the back from the coach. The rush of excitement felt when you or your teammate score the winning basket or goal can do a lot for someone's confidence.

Losing games may be disappointing at times, but it can also be positive as well. Not only do we learn from our mistakes, but it makes winning something to appreciate, not expect. Losing with grace is a better lesson than winning with arrogance.

Winning and losing may have their benefits, but there are always disadvantages. If you lose every game, you are not going to want to strive or give it all you are capable of. On the other hand, if you win every time, you’re not going to have anything to look forward to, but only the expectation of winning the game.

Although we aren’t known for a winning record, a loss can certainly give the teams room to learn and grow. It can teach them not to be closed-minded on things that may have an outcome that isn’t wanted or expected. It makes our teams hungry for a win.

Life has its ups and downs, good times and bad, wins and losses. Playing a sport teaches those lessons better than any book will ever be able to.

“I believe that winning is both beneficial to myself and my team. It helps motivate us to keep trying our hardest. Winning always gives us a good feeling inside and something to remember.”

Ashley Heiss ’06

What do you feel is more beneficial, winning or losing?

“I would say winning, just because it can really boost your confidence.”

“Winning is everything, because the more you win, the farther you go in life.”

“They are about the same. Winning builds your confidence, but you can learn from your mistakes by losing.”

Kyle Spears ’03 Jamel Cooper ’05 Kristin Pinter ’03

Taking Victory.
Standing strong and mighty, Marc Vivian ’04 enjoys his defeat over Bedford. Vivian’s endurance and strength gave him the energy to not only keep himself going, but it kept his spirit high as well.

Getting a Better Look.
Eagerly awaiting to see his score, Nicholas Harrington ’04 clears his goggles. After competing in this exhausting swim, Harrington needed a moment to catch his breath.
Knocking Heads.
Celebrating their victory against Willow Run, Eric Pratt '04, Michael Ellis '04 and Bradley Watkins '05 let their actions speak for themselves. The final score in this game was 7-4.

Taking Charge.
Making his way down the court Eric Williams '06 pushes himself to score. Williams' swift ball work gave him a shot at the net.

Spike a Pose.
In an unforgettable match against Chelsea, Angela Peoples '04 puts her skills to good use. Peoples, along with the rest of the team, moved on to the semifinals during the Ida tournament.

All Tied Up
By Marian Altenbernt '03

One of the most frustrating things about games is when there is a tie. Each player feels like they should have done more to obtain the win. In actuality, ties help athletes learn more about the game. They show players where they could have tried harder or made a different play. The knowledge gained from the games is what makes athletes the winners in the end.

How do you feel when the game results in a tie?
"I feel good because it brought us closer to winning." -Jackson Hanks '06
"I feel like we did not play to lose, but we did not play hard enough to win." -Tamara Washington '04
"I get mad because you want to win, but when you tie it is not a win." -Eric Walker '06

Winter Sports- Winning vs. Losing
Increased Spirit Needed From Fans

By Ashley Ingram '04 and Ashton Bullock '04

What would the game be like without fans? Fan support has increased a great deal these past few years in a variety of sports. The Athletic Booster Club has also come through by holding fundraisers to help support the teams. The money is used to buy new things when a team is in need.

When enthusiasts come to support the team, they make the team feel at home. Support for the hockey team had drastically increased, despite the Canton location. The players have also helped themselves out by inviting fans themselves.

To show great support, the Booster Club raised enough money for all the sports teams each season to be satisfied. Most of their money comes from fifty-fifty raffles, ticket sales and concessions from all of the games.

Rain or shine, our true fans and alumni always seem to come and support the teams. Basketball has also had a great deal of devotees, especially against the local area schools. Most of our fan support consists of parents and students. The away games have had more fans than any other year.

Hockey and wrestling have had increased support and excellent spirit. Volleyball and swimming also had great turnouts. With the fan madness, all the teams should feel welcome and at home. Students and parents continue to show support for their children and friends.

The teams are loving the attention and despite the low overall records of many sports, loyal fans still show their support.

"I look for small victories on the court. I see the positive things and then encourage that, which helps to improve the quality of the whole team. The motivation comes from themselves. I try to instill this in my team and both of my children."

Michael Bargardi, Coach and Parent

"The fans make me work harder, and the pressure just makes me want to do better."  
Emily Satanski '04

"When more people are there, I play harder. The fans bring us inspiration, whether we win or lose."

Bradley Watkins '05

"When the fans cheer, we get intensity and play for the fans as well as ourselves."

Roy Wilson '04
At every Friday night basketball game, the stands are packed with students and parents. Whatever happened to supporting the rest of the teams though? Noticeably less fans go to volleyball games, wrestling meets or swim meets. Who wants to try their hardest in a game when there is no one there to cheer them on? Athletes need support from fans and students, not just coaches.
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By Marian Altenbernt '03
Face Off. Getting ready to battle his opponent is Jeremy Brown ’03. Brown wrestled all four years of his high school career.

“Some highlights of the season were working on competition, practicing all week to make everything perfect and supporting our varsity on going to Nationals.”

Diem-Chi Nguyen ’06

“Some highlights were that we had competition and we had the Cominghome pep assembly, which were both really fun!”

Brittany Skotak ’05

By Marian Altenbernt '03

Fly By. Moving down the ice with the puck is Bradley Watkins ’05. Watkins watched the puck intently as he made his way down to the goal. This was Watkins’ second year of hockey.

Bring it In. Sharing a team cheer to get themselves peppe up before the start of their game is the varsity volleyball team. The team consisted of one senior, 11 juniors and a sophomore.
Athletes Work to Keep Themselves Fit

By Brittany Sullivan '04 & Nicholas Gimson '04

Crazy weather patterns had an effect on the spring sports. With practices being cancelled or cut short due to rain or winter-like temperatures, some teams were forced to work twice as hard when practices were finally held. It was more challenging to keep athletes in game form.

For an athlete to stay in shape, they have to exercise daily and eat nutritious food. Athletes had to learn the value of switching from an unhealthy diet of fast food, chips and pop to something less fattening, but high in carbs and protein. By adhering to a strict diet, the athletes were ready when meets, games and matches were held.

Athletes have a responsibility to their teammates and coaches to maintain their best physical condition so that they can perform to their fullest potential. Occasional morning conditioning and afternoon warmups, as well as avoiding the library candy bar cart helped to keep a coach happy.

Warming up and practices were taken very seriously, but game day was especially crucial. Loading up on junk before a game can definitely affect the outcome. It is important that athletes plan on a decent workout the day before, a good night's sleep the night before and a limited, but healthy, diet the day of a game. Lots of fluids, especially on a hot spring day, are essential.

Their dedication and commitment are appreciated by coaches, teammates and the fans who show up to see the teams perform their best.

"Junk food isn't good for you during the season because it affects your abilities and performance. It also affects your body a lot by fattening you up and slowing you down in your many tasks."

Marc Wyche '04

With all the weather problems this season how did you stay in shape?

"I worked out at the gym and ran around my neighborhood."

Erick Moberg '06

"I went to the indoor range instead of practicing outside."

Catherine Chang '05

"By playing different sports and running with my father twice a week."

Anjelica Pitts-Jones '05

Spring Sports- Practice, Exercise and Nutrition
Leaving Home
By Marian Altenbernt '03

Going off to college is both a terrifying and exciting experience. For some, it is more terrifying because they will be leaving home for the first time. The exciting part is that they have been recruited to play sports for their college. Many athletes leap at the chance to play at the college level because they may not have a chance like it ever again.

This choice is not an easy one to make though. Going to college in a different state means athletes cannot come home on the weekends or when they feel homesick. Instead, athletes have to tough it out on their own in the real world.

- Christopher Lee is going to Princeton University and will be playing football. 
- Ryan Mather '03 received a scholarship from Indiana Tech University and will be playing soccer there. 
- Jamey Bell '03 is also going down to Indiana Tech University and will be playing soccer.

Time Out

Grasping Hold.
Throwing against the wind is Amrye Bullock '05. Most throwers opted to throw into the wind.

Move It or Lose It.
Pushing her way toward the goal is Shannon Spears '06. Spears took the time and energy needed to help get closer to scoring her team a goal.

Charging Forward.
The lacrosse team showed their stuff and proved team work makes anything possible. Practice and energy paid off during this game.

H2O. Taking a short break from practice is Aaron Hall '05. Hall had a bottle of water to quench his thirst. Gatorade is NOT better.

Catchin 'Em As They Come.
Trying to keep his balance is varsity catcher Bradley Harrison '05. Sitting in the same position tended to get uncomfortable.

Spring Sports- Practice, Exercise and Nutrition
Athletes face many pressures throughout their season. As the year progresses, athletes begin to feel the reality and anxiety of the many expectations given to them, not to mention all the hard work and dedication needed to get through the year.

Getting the grades AND trying to win the game can sometimes become difficult to manage. An athlete's life isn't easy.

If being an athlete is what is most important, it will not matter how difficult or how tough things get. An athlete will do whatever it takes to achieve excellence.

Physical ability is not the only concern an athlete faces. In order to be an athlete, academic excellence is not only expected, it is required. Being in a sport is a privilege and not all students get that privilege. It's all about using the person's abilities to the individual's and team's advantage.

A day in the life of an athlete can become very chaotic and stressful. It just depends on how well they can deal with it all. A typical day consists of: waking up hours earlier than most students, working out, attending school, heading off to a rigorous practice or an important late night game, then coming home exhausted and starving only to have to do homework into the wee hours of the morning. It can all add up to be too much at times.

As the year comes to a close and the final scores are called, the pressure may seem to disappear. But summer training is already here!

Sports are a year-round commitment and a true athlete is ready to face whatever comes their way.

"After school I worry more about soccer and am tuned into the 'Big Game,' but during the day I worry more about the big test because if I don't pass that test then I may not be able to play that night."

Renee Lillyhorn '05
For some, the cost of going to college is not within their reach. They have to rely on scholarships, student loans and grants to pay for their higher education. However, some athletes have the chance to get a full or partial ride to a state university, provided they agree to play on a sports team. Staying in-state is a more affordable option, with or without help and it’s nice to get money for doing what you love.

• Daniel Dew '03 will be attending Grand Valley State University and playing football. • Kristen Russell '03 will also be attending Grand Valley State University and running track. • Justin McDade '03 will go to Eastern Michigan and will play baseball. • Kelly Williams '03 will play soccer at Eastern Michigan. • James Allen '03 is going to Grand Valley State University to play football. • Jenifer Horn '03 will be running track at the University of Michigan.

Play Ball!
Preparing for the pitch is Heather White '06. This was White's first year on the team, but she blended right in.

Curve Ball.
As the game starts, Kyle O'Keefe '03 gets ready to throw his first pitch. O'Keefe focused all his attention on the ball he was about to launch.

Fast Track. Leading the way, Joel Nolan '04 strives to stay ahead. Not too far behind was Quentin Hooper '04, who was trying hard to make his way to the lead.

Tennis Time. While standing in set position, Jason Adcock '04 gets ready to serve the ball. Body placement was a key issue when serving.

A Day on the Green. Practicing on her golfing skills is Kelly Willard '04. Willard's cheery attitude made for a fun-filled day on the golf course.
Thanks for the Memories!

Senior Athletes Speak Out...

By Marian Altenbernt '03

For the past four years, sports have been a huge part of the lives of many seniors. They have sacrificed much of their time by going to practice, playing games and giving up their Saturdays to compete at Invitationals. Along the way, each athlete has gained knowledge and memories that will carry them throughout their lifetime.

Although many athletes remember the times when they won a game or SEC Championship, some of the best memories are about the funny things that happened over the course of four long years.

"I remember the time when the hockey team duct taped Mike Ellis [a junior], put him in a hockey bag and sent him up the elevator," said Steven Lore '03.

"During these years, I have built relationships that will last in my heart and mind forever. For those whom I will not see after I leave, just remember I love you and will always remember you. You truly are special people. Thank you."

Krystalynn Ingram '03

It's times like these that stick in everyone's mind. Being a part of "the team" was also something that senior athletes enjoyed and will inevitably miss. Each team was like their own little family. "It was great because you could count on each other," said Alexis Floyd '03.

One of the most important things senior athletes learned was how to get the job done and teamwork. "Always stay focused and no matter what, never let your teammates down," advises Desiree Sims '03.

Sports are not always about practicing and winning. Seniors have learned it's all about the fun. "Practice hard, but remember that it's all just a game," said Valerie Keefe '03.

During these years, I have built relationships that will last in my heart and mind forever. For those whom I will not see after I leave, just remember I love you and will always remember you. You truly are special people. Thank you.

Do you have any advice for upcoming varsity athletes?

"Give it your all in any sport you play and never give up."

Benjamin Weaks '03

"It's your choice, run with the big dogs or sit on the porch and bark."

Tammy Lawson '03

"Play because you want to and always play with your heart."

Jacob Bicksler '03

Can We Start? Standing ready at the pitcher's mound is Brittany Hubbard '03. Hubbard was a pitcher and played second base. She played softball all four years of her high school career.
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By Marian Altenbernt '03 & Jennifer Sai '05
Spring Sports

Varsity Softball

Front Row: Laura Raymond, Brittany Hubbard, Sarah Lambert, Lauren Hudge.


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Spring Sports

Girls Varsity Soccer

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Girls JV Soccer


Girls Freshman Soccer


By Marian Altenbernt '03
Girls Golf


Lacrosse


Kickin' Up the Dirt. Sliding in to base is Jonathon Fox '06. Fox made sure that he touched the base in time so that he would not get struck out by the basemen.

What to Do. With her club in hand, Catherine Chang '05 figures out the best angle to send her ball in to the hole. Chang was a State qualifier for the second year in a row.

Flying High. Hoisting herself easily over the bar is Jessica Poitier '06. Even though this was Poitier's first year jumping, she reached the height of 5'1".

By Marian Altenbernt '03
In life, support can come from many places, but yearbook is almost completely dependent on help from our generous local business owners. They are the ones who have enabled us to make our book the best that it can be. Early in the year, the yearbook staff found their spirits dwindling while they were out soliciting ads. This was due to a lackluster post-9/11 economy. Despite this setback, we were able to move up to a size nine book, which is two sizes larger than previous years. We also added more color and hope that, in the years to come, we can afford an all color book with continued support from our local vendors.
Ms. Kerin Carlson- Congratulations, Michigan Xtreme, Cheer Team Seniors, Dance Team Seniors and the class of 2003.

John & Patsy Sullivan- Brittany - Have a good year! Do your best - we're counting on you.

Bob, Mary, Amanda & Jesse Ford- Congratulations Class of 2003! Way to go... "Bad to the Bone".

Patricia Robert- Best wishes to the students at Lincoln High.

Kathy White- Go Brian!

Janice Robinson

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Ms. Karen Nevins- Congratulations Choir Seniors!
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Lori Minthorn- See, Government wasn’t that hard!
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Dear Jamey: You are a finer son than we ever imagined God giving to us. We love and adore you. We are SO very proud of you... not only for your accomplishments, but for your beautiful and wonderful heart. Growing up is tough... but that is part of your preparation to move on and soar with your own wings in a very tough world. We wish so many things for you, it is hard to put it all into words. Take the song of life and dance with it... and remember we will always be there for you and love you forever.

All of our love,

Dad, Mom, Kristi and Saydee

Class of 2003

Therese.
You have so much potential! Believe in yourself, like we believe in you. Our precious Therese. Congratulations!
Hurrayyy!
With all of our Love and all the love you give.

Mom, Mick and Rebecca

Raooli,
As you graduate we look back, and it seems like only yesterday you came into our lives “The baby of the family.” We are so proud of the beautiful person you have become. We are so proud of you follow your dreams, you can be anything you choose, but you will be our baby always.

We love you so much,

Mom, Dad,
Caitly and Bethany
Congratulations Sarah!
We are very proud of you. We wish
you success in all you do.

All our Love,
Dad and Vicki,
Mom and Mike,
Niki, Reid, Andrea,
Brent and Brianna

Hi Jake,
Is it already time for this? It is... and we have
lots of great memories locked in our hearts. It
has been awesome watching you through the
years. You are truly a good person and we
couldn't be more proud of you. Hold your head
high and keep those blue eyes open. So a new
chapter begins... Be confident. Go for opportuni-
ties. Make good decisions. Enjoy life. Have
faith... Be happy... God is with you and so are we.
always. Congratulations.
Love,
Mom and Dad

Katie,
Your care and concern for others has always been
among your finest traits. Your love of children shows
in all that you do. These will be important to you as you
preserve your dream of becoming a pediatrician. We
are proud of what you have accomplished and admire
you for taking the bumps along life's road that you
have experienced and learning from them. Much love
and support to you always, SP.

Mom, Dad and Christina
June 13, 2003

Kathryn Nicole Wright
Class of 2003
To a cherished classmate and friend who's gone, but never forgotten.

In memory of Joshua DeFrance
Class of 2003

John Michael,
You make us proud. Love always.
Mom, Dad, and Katie

By Tahirah Gray '03
Danny Dew,
All that you've done and the person you have become
Is more than a mother could ever want in a son.
You have such a big heart and so much kindness to give.
There's a whole new world waiting out there for you; get out there and live.
For all those people who tried to tear you down,
You never became them and stood by your beliefs and always made me proud.
I say you are my greatest accomplishment; we have done and shared a lot together,
Times that will be in my thoughts forever.
Good luck and always be happy. "I know you can Dew it"
Love, Mom
For Christopher B. Lee

"Do not follow where the path may lead.
Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail."

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

We are so very proud of you
and love you very much,
Mom and Dad
"Life's filled with possibilities that challenge us each day to take a chance, try something new, see things a different way. And it's through these special moments that we learn to change and grow, to explore the precise gifts of who we are and what we know."

-unknown

Your life is filled with many possibilities, and we are very proud of you and all you've accomplished, and what you hope to accomplish in your future, follow your dreams!

We Love You!
Mom, Dad and
the clan

Best Wishes to the senior riders of the Lincoln Equestrian Team

Marian Altenbernt

Chelsea Cutright

It has been a pleasure ladies to have worked with you these last four years. May your future be blessed and as special as you both have been to me.

Ride on!

Roxanne Mayville, Coach
Lincoln Equestrian Team

You can do anything you set your mind to. Focus and prevail!

From all of the people who helped make you who you are.

By Tahirah Gray ’03
Jimmy,

Always remember that we are proud of you.
You have grown to be a fine young man, an achiever and an outstanding athlete. Don’t ever give up on your dreams and remember we are always there for you.

Congratulations!!!
We love you,
Mom, Dad, Andrea and Grandpa

By Tahirah Gray '03
Jane:
You have made the most of your Lincoln experience: Academic excellence, Band, Pit orchestra, Cross Country, Track, Golf, NHS, Student Council, Class Treasurer, USO and 2002 Young Citizen of the Year. We couldn’t be more proud.

Congratulations, Jane.

Love,
Mom, Dad and Brent

Jane:
We are so proud of you and everything you have done.

Love always,
Grandma and Pa
Grandma Milly and Grandpa Mark

By Tahirah Gray '03
"Our Daughter"

Congratulations Amanda on this very special day. We are so very proud of you. You’ve made it, honey. We know it hasn’t been easy, so be proud of yourself.

The years have gone by so fast, it seems like only yesterday that you were starting Kindergarten. Now look, in just a few short months you’ll be eighteen. You have become such a beautiful young lady with a great sense of humor. It has been our pleasure watching you grow.

Babe, keep your head up. Follow your heart and may all your hopes and dreams come true. Remember you can do it.

May God and all of our angels watch over you and keep you safe, healthy and happy. Love you with all of our heart.

Mom and Dad

Good job, Missy. Keep up the good work. You’re the best. Good luck always.

Love you, Ryan!

xoxo

Mike,

Congratulations to our wonderful son! It has been such a pleasure watching you grow into a fine young man. We are so proud of the person you’ve become and we know that with your strength and determination you will reach all your goals. We thank the Lord for giving us such a precious son.

God bless you always.

Love,

Dad, Mom and Karen

By Tahirah Gray ‘03
To our little Katie Lo.
Wow... how time has flown...
Katie, we are so proud of you!
You have so much to offer the world.
You first showed us courage when you
were in first grade and played on an
all boys tee-ball team. Your courage
to stay on that team and continuing to
play when you were the only girl was
amazing. We were and are very proud
of you. You have continued to show that
courage through soccer and all as-
pcts of your life. Katie, you will be a
success in whatever you choose to do.
Keep your head up and keep on smiling!

We love you.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Tanna and Haley

Jessica,
You are an absolute joy to
have in our lives.
We hold in our hearts the
wonderful memories of
you as a child.
It's rather sad that our
little girl is all grown, but
knowing what a caring
and thoughtful
young woman you've become
makes us very happy
and proud of you.
Set your goals within
reach and never give up.
Congratualtions!
Love,
Mom, Dad and Jackie
Brittany,

On May 2, 1985, we were blessed with a precious gift. The gift was you Brittany, and that was the first day of many more wonderful days to come.

Our little girl is no longer a little girl. She has grown into a beautiful young woman.

We have shared baby dolls to Barbie dolls, Dorothy to Ariel. Basketball to softball (and we won't forget the girl friends and boyfriends). Now the new adventure of high school to college. And we'll be there for you, too.

You have made us very proud of you, Brittany. You have the inspiration and determination to accomplish anything you put your mind to. Set your goals high, Brittany, and reach for the stars! Congratulations, Brittany!

We love you!
Dad, Mom, Barbara and Kari

XOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXO

By Tahirah Gray '03
Shaun,
Congratulations.
We are proud of you.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Grandma and Jason

Ben,
God has blessed us with such a fine son and we are so proud of you. Time seems to go by so fast. Now, as you prepare to go through the game of life, a few curves will be thrown your way. Take your best swing and enjoy your trip around the bases!

We Love You,
Mom, Dad, Zac & Chelsea

Congratulations, Jessica!
Strawberry-blond, green eyes and all, you have always been a blessing. Stubborn and determined, you wanted to do it your way. Well, you have done it your way. And now...

Your world awaits a new adventure. You see things in a special way. Let that vision and talent guide you to help shape the worlds of others. Live and love fully, your wonderful.

Love,
Mom, Dad & Lauren

Senior Ads
By Tahirah Gray '03
Congratulations Heather!

We are so proud of you.
May your future bring you happiness in whatever career you pursue in life.

Love,
Mom & Dad

Baby Girl,
It seems like yesterday I was holding you in my arms and looking at you with amazement at how beautiful you were. Now you have grown into a beautiful woman—inside and out—you have the world at your feet...you can do or be anything you want. Don't settle-reach for the stars. Know I love you and will always be here for you in whatever you choose to do. The world is a better place because you are in it.

I love you always.
Mom

CONGRATULATIONS ALICIA!

Be the Best that you can be...
Pursue your Goals persistently...
Make your fondest Dreams come true...
And most of all, believe in you!

Dad, Mom and Erica

By Tahirah Gray '03
Kari Leigh,

Spring is the time when everything starts a new life. The ground thaws, the flowers and trees start to bloom and you wake to songs of spring.

The song of spring came to us that March morning from the strength of you, Kari. That was the start of your new life.

You have bloomed into a beautiful bouquet and have accomplished so much in such a short time. Keep your goals set high. Keep dreaming. Dreams do come true!

We are so proud of you!

We love you.

Uncle Craig, Aunt Lori, Brittany and Barbara
XOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXO
Congratulations Fatty.
You have accomplished the first of your dreams as you climb the ladder of success.
Best of luck at the University of Michigan.
Love,
Dad, Mom, and Brad

Stephanie,
We are proud of you! You have grown into a beautiful young woman with such a great future. It is our prayer that you will seek out your dreams, work hard toward their fulfillment and keep alive the hope that comes from God. May you take each step of life with Jesus, remembering how He is "the Way, the Truth and the Life." Never forget you are very special! We will always love you.

All our love,
Mom, Dad, Amber and Zach

By Tahirah Gray '03
Larry,
You have grown into a fantastic young man; your achievements are many: Class Officer, Student Council, SADD, USO, Honors Letters, Varsity Track and Football. You can't imagine how proud we are of you. As you enter college, take with you the same energy, determination and confidence that you leave high school with. We wish you happiness and success in everything you do.

With All our Love and Support,
Mom, Dad and Eric

Dear Abby,
Congratulations Sweetheart!
From the moment you were born, we knew our lives would be forever changed. Such a beautiful baby, now a beautiful young woman. Your smile lights up our day. How lucky we have been to be so blessed with our family. You are a gift from God. I know He will watch over you as you go forward to all the new things that await you.
Don't forget all you believe. Trust in yourself always. We are so proud of you and love you beyond words. You're our Angel!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Andrew & Pastrick, too

By Tahirah Gray '03
Congratulations Megan! You have grown into an independent young lady. You have brought much joy and happiness to everyone who knows you and you've persevered over everything you set your mind to. Stay strong.

I love you.

Dad

Class of 2003

Ashleigh Gail

We're so proud of you!
Your life is just beginning
"Dream BIG and Think LARGE"

By Tahirah Gray '03

Senior Ads
Tony,

Shout!!! Shout!!!

Let it all out...

Graduation day is upon you, your childhood days numbered. We hope you never lose your sense of wonder and never take a moment for granted. Whenever one door closes, we hope one more opens. Never forget how much we love you.

Love Always,
Mom and Dad

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Here Kiddie, Kiddie, Kiddie. Standing at the bar waiting to get a "Kiddie Cocktail" are Jacob Blose ’03 and Michael Adrounie ’03. These two were at the bar almost all night getting drinks for their dates. Most people at prom said that the beverage bar was their favorite part.

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Together Until the End. Commemorating the night, Claire Wright ’03 and her date pause to take time out for a goodbye hug. Their night was spent eating dinner and visiting friends.

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Gettin' Down

1. Getting her groove on is Chelsea Carrigh ’03. Carrigh was seen groovin’ to the music all night long.
2. Freakin’ down Amir Alexander ’04 is LeDarryl Williams ’03. These two were seen dancing the night away.
3. Doing the Hustle is LaTasha Turner ’03 and Dominique Page ’03. There were three group dances held at the prom.

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By Tahirah Gray ’03
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Christine,

You have loved school since preschool. Your college years are sure to be as joyous as your high school years have been. You have accomplished so much. We are so proud of you and all you do. Follow your heart and your dreams!

We love you very much,
Mom, Dad and Michael

xoxo

Cay Marie,

You are truly a blessing from God, you have grown up to be a loving, caring and respectful young lady.

I am, along with your entire family, so very proud of you!

You mean the world to me.

I love you so much!

Donnie Phipps,
Loving Father
Jake: Though we’ve had our differences in the past, I wish you a bright future. I have no doubt you’ll surprise everyone. And CHILL OUT! Life isn’t as hard as you make it out to be! Make wise choices & good luck...

Tahirah: But I’ve decided you can’t graduate. You are much too valuable to me. Besides, you’ll have to teach me everything you know. Seriously, I’m glad you stuck it out. I hope it was worth it! Like Dorothy said to the Scarecrow – “I think I’ll miss you most of all!” Now go be great like I know you will make me proud...

Love, Y’al

Sarah: You’ve changed a lot from the quiet 10th grader I first met. Even though things didn’t work out, we’ll always have the 2002 book.
Never forget what’s important in life. Ou- and thanks for the house! I definitely will never forget you. –Ms. Reverdy

Marian: I know you didn’t want it, but thanks for being my sports editor. Lord knows I couldn’t do it! Sports? Yeah! Good luck! And thanks for teaching me not to stress (too much).

Good Luck!
Love, Reverdy

Sis, You’re the best sister ever! I love you.

Christopher

“Never know how high we are
’Til we are called to rise;
And then, if we are true to plan,
Our statures touch the skies”

–Emily Dickinson

By Tahirah Gray ’03

Senior Ads
**Student Profile**

*Name:* Travis Parker  
*Grade:* Sophomore  
*Birthday:* July 9th, 1987  
*Sign:* Cancer  
*Where you would know him from:* Basketball and football  
*Dating status:*  
"I'm kind of looking and kind of not looking."  
*What he looks for in the opposite sex:*  
Smart, have a nice body, not to big and not to small, can play basketball, have long hair, light skin, stay geared towards a goal, straight teeth, 5'5 in height.  
*Hobbies:*  
Basketball and football.  
*What is the dumbest thing he's ever done:*  
Jump from my roof because I didn't want to get tagged.
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By Tahirah Gray '03
*Name: DeAngelo Donald Jones
*Birthday: October 2, 1987
*Sign: Libra
*Where You know him from: USO, Gospel Choir, NHS
*Dating Status: Taken and not looking
*What he looks for in the opposite sex: Smart, Funny, Sexy and just cool to hang with.
*Hobbies: Hanging with friends, Watch'n T.V., going to the club.
*What is the dumbest thing he's ever done: I spelled my name wrong on a test and got points taken off for it.

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By Tahirah Gray '03
*Name: Ashley Lorraine Bouffard
*Grade: Sophomore
*Birthday: July 12, 1987
*Sign: Cancer
*Where you know her from: Nothing, just being myself and enjoying life without getting into mischief.
*Dating status? Taken (not looking)
*What she looks for in the opposite sex? Consideration, good looking, respectful, caring, nice, being themselves, not fake, and comforting, with happiness.
*Hobbies: Just being with friends and family, trying to be a good and respectful teenager.
*What is the dumbest thing she's ever done? I was opening a savings account and I put my boyfriend's name on my account name. I did not know till later.
**Student Profile**

*Name:* Karess Lanise Medvecz  
*Grade:* Junior  
*Birthday:* July 9, 1986  
*Sign:* Cancer  
*Were you know her from:*  
- Drama, Swimming, SADD, and just being unique  
*Dating Status:* Single (not looking) and Single (looking)  
*What she looks for in the opposite sex:*  
- Nice eyes, smart, athletic, oh so sweet, just an all around down to earth gentleman.  
*Hobbies:*  
- Writing, painting, acting, listening to music, hanging out and swimming  
*What is the dumbest thing she's ever done:*  
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*Name: Staci Nicole Scott
*Grade: Sophomore
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*Sign: Scorpio
*Where you know her from:
  Sports, soccer, basketball and volleyball
*Dating Status:
  Taken and not looking.
*What she looks for in the opposite sex:
  Personality, sense of humor, eyes and smile.
*Hobbies:
  I don't really have any.
*What is the dumbest thing she's ever done:
  I was walking back from the library and I went into the wrong classroom and all the freshmen looked at me like I was dumb.
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*Name: Patricia Nicole Griebe
*Grade: Junior
*Birthday: September 23, 1986
*Sign: Virgo
*Where you know her from: Softball
*Dating Status: Undecided
*What she looks for in the opposite sex:
  Nice eyes, trustworthy, caring, good personality, and a sense of humor
*Hobbies:
  Playing softball and chilling with my friends
*What is the dumbest thing she's ever done:
  I ran into a car door with my face.
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*Name: Amanda Rounsifer
*Grade: Sophomore
*Birthday: September 4, 1987
*Sign: Virgo
*Where you know her from:
Sports-softball
*Dating status:
Single(and looking)
*What she looks for in the opposite sex:
Nice looking, sweet, funny, has a sense of humor.
*Hobbies:
Riding four wheelers, riding horses, fishing, going up north, shopping, hanging with friends.
*What is the dumbest thing she's ever done:
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*Name: Hayley Diehlman
*Grade: Freshmen
*Birthday: June 10, 1988
*Sign: Gemini
*Where you know her from:
Sports, soccer, and band
*Dating Status:
Single and looking
*What she looks for in the opposite sex:
Good looking, nice and a good body
*Hobbies:
Soccer and band
*What is the dumbest thing she's ever done:
I was walking the dog, and he pooped on my shoe.
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By Tahirah Gray '03
Name: Zachary Leonard

Grade: Freshmen

Birthday: January 8, 1988

Sign: Capricorn

Where you know him from: Soccer

Dating status: Single and looking

What he looks for in the opposite sex: Beauty beyond the looks, and a personality to die for, nice smile, and a great sense of humor.

Hobbies: Soccer, movies, mall.

What is the dumbest thing he's ever done: I took my ex-girlfriend out for a picnic by the lake, and I accidentally fell in.
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* Name: Ben Kohler
* Grade: Freshman
* Birthday: March 3, 1988
* Sign: Pisces
* Where you know him from:
  Wrestling
* Dating Status:
  Single and looking.
* What he looks for in the opposite sex:
  What they look like.
* Hobbies
  Skateboarding and wrestling
* What's the dumbest thing he's ever done:
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Checking it Twice.
Editing the staff pages is Tahirah Gray '03. This was Gray's second year in Yearbook.

Browsing the Stacks.
Taking her time going through sample yearbooks at the fall workshop is Joy Redmond '04. The workshop was held at Monroe Community College.

Minolta Magic.
Learning about the new digital camera is Marian Altenbernt '03.

From Scratch,
At the Jostens Summer Workshop, Lacy Frausto '04 and Jennifer Letterman '04 get an introduction to yearbook class. The theme "Our Time" was developed here.

One Hour Photo.
During the pep rally Ashley Ingram '04 and Nicholas Gimson '04 record memories in the making.

Downtown Dining.
Walking back from lunch are Ashleigh Price '04, Tahirah Gray '03 and Nicholas Hardecki '04. These yearbook staff members spent the day in Lansing at the MIPA fall conference, held at Michigan State University.

Lost in Cyber Space.
Putting the finishing touches on the yearbook after school let out, Ashley Ingram '04 realizes that the pictures for this page have been lost due to technical errors. Ingram had to spend a week into her summer repairing and replacing the page shown.

By Brittany Sullivan '04 and Ashley Ingram '04
It's all about the...

**Deadline**

**Yearbook Pulls it Off Again... Only Better**

No one really understands the importance of time. The yearbook staff learned it all too well this year. One day of sitting around can lead to long hours of endless work. The yearbook staff learned a lesson or two about keeping themselves on task. With continual guidance and support from Adviser Ms. Jessica Revord, things ran quiet smoothly. Despite occasional bumps in the road, the staff pulled together to complete the deadlines on time.

The yearbook leapt into the 21st century with the addition of five new IBM flatscreen computers with CD burners, thanks to Mr. John McGehee, who "found" the money to help the staff go "tech". Using last year's profits, the yearbook was able to purchase three digital cameras and two scanners. These new technological toys have helped make taking and placing pictures, as well as completing pages, a whole lot easier.

In addition to all the work, there was definitely enough down time to have fun. Motivational Mondays and birthday party celebrations helped make everyone feel like part of the team. Late nights before a deadline became known as "Chinese Food Night". And when a deadline is met, a pizza party is always in order. The staff member who worked hardest that deadline was also honored with lunch and a certificate.

Despite the time commitment, the perks make the work worthwhile.

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**Colophon**

The 580 copies of the fall delivered 2003 Liberator were printed by Jostens Publishing in Winston-Salem, NC. The 9x12 book was printed on 100lb. gloss paper.

The custom cardova cover has a linear cutout. The font is ATFygwall and is in rainbow foil #363. The timepiece is silver 320.

The endpapers are printed on snow white stock using metallic silver 977 and navy 540. Books are personalized with silver foil #381.

The theme "Our Time" was conceived by Nicholas Harkless '04 and designed by Adviser Ms. Jessica Revord at a Bowling Green University Publications class.

The 192-page Liberator, Volume 50, uses agaramond as its primary typeface, with lead-ins in agaramond bold. Fonts and leading vary throughout the book.

A staff of 14 and a new, six-machine computer lab put together the entire book using Pagemaker 6.5 as the Yeartech operating system.

The majority of senior portraits were taken by Prestige Portraits in Saline. Underclass and staff portraits were taken by Jostens School Photographers. Don Spieldenner of Remember When Photography snapped most of the sports candid.

Books sold for $42. Plus tax through Jostens Direct Solutions. A final sale was held in May, when books sold for $35.

The Liberator staff would like to thank the following: Mr. Lonnie Proffitt, Ms. Wanda Lewis, Ms. Lynn Lauri, Ms. Patty Burt, Ms. Roxanne Mayville, Vanessa Combo '04, Sarah Lambert '03, Jake Bloise '03, Brittany Helton '05, Ryan Yarceau '04, Mr. Dennis Halalay, Mr. Don Spieldenner, Mr. Tim Shaffer at Prestige, Mr. Sid Wright and staff, all class/club sponsors, the coaching staff, each of our advertisers, our Jostens Representative Allison Golleyou and our Winston-Salem Plant Rep. Kristin Ellerbe.

A special heartfelt thanks goes out to Mr. John McGehee for filling our room with amazing computers, and his tech staff (especially Kathy Sells and Joanna Ramsey) who assisted when those amazing computers occasionally let us down.

Colophon 189
Looking back on the year that was, many friendships and memories have been made. Some good, some not so good. Nevertheless, we have another year under our belts. As we move closer to our dreams and goals, we should never forget to reflect on the past and each year that got us to this point. In 2003, the threat of war and terrorism never left our thoughts, even when we pushed them back while enjoying parties, games, the Prom, driving for the first time, a first paycheck or just hanging out with each other, maybe for the last time. As the nation undergoes many changes, everybody looks at life in a whole new way, which brings unity to all. No matter what, this was our time.

Making Memories. As a teenager, making memories is what high school is all about. With friends and family there to support you, it seems like nothing could go wrong. Enjoy it because these are the best of times. Pulling away from the school is one of the district's many buses. School buses are highly visible throughout the Lincoln area. Striving to win the Tug-O-War event at the Homecoming pep assembly, Joy Haley '03 breaks a sweat. With the help of Haley, the senior class wins this event. Catching his opponent off guard, Elias Hooper '04 is fierce. Hooper has played football for every year of his high school career so far. Basking with excitement at the Homecoming pep assembly, Donya Charles '04 and Roy Wilson '04 pause to capture the moment. Charles served on Homecoming court for the junior class with pride.
Out of Time
U2's humanitarian lead singer Bono visits Africa and tours Midwestern America to raise awareness and support for African AIDS epidemic relief.

Nuclear crisis arises when North Korean leader Kim Jong Il breaks a 1994 pledge with the United States not to build nuclear weapons.

U.N. inspectors return to Iraq to investigate Saddam Hussein's alleged production of weapons of mass destruction.

A Halloween earthquake in San Giuliano di Puglia, Italy, topples an elementary school, killing dozens of children.

China's one-child-per-family policy creates an imbalanced boy-to-girl ratio that will result in tens of millions of men finding themselves single in the year 2020.
The Miss World beauty pageant leaves Nigeria after Islamic fundamentalist protest groups kill more than 100 people.

In Venezuela, an opposition strike demanding President Hugo Chavez's resignation paralyzes the country's oil exports and turns to bloodshed as Chavez supporters retaliate.

The oil tanker *Prestige* spills more than 5 million gallons of oil off the northwestern coast of Spain before splitting in two and sinking.

Emergency workers in the United States and overseas receive smallpox vaccinations as a preventative measure against bioterrorism.

Over 100 people, mostly foreign tourists, are killed in an October terrorist bombing of two nightclubs in Bali, Indonesia.

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For weeks in October, alleged snipers John Muhammad and Lee Boyd Malvo terrorize Washington, D.C., Maryland and Virginia, randomly killing 10 people and injuring three others.

The space shuttle Columbia breaks apart on reentry into the Earth’s atmosphere, killing all seven astronauts aboard.

"The crew of the shuttle Columbia did not return safely to Earth, but we can pray they are safely home."

— President George W. Bush

Midterm elections make history as Republicans, the party controlling the White House, gain congressional seats rather than losing them.

Several large corporations inflate profits while top executives make off with millions in accounting scandals that send shock waves through global markets.
President Bush signs the Homeland Security Act, officially creating a Department of Homeland Security dedicated to preventing terrorist attacks.

Throughout 2002, Americans search for ways to recover and rebuild from September 11. On the one-year anniversary, survivors, families and friends gather at all three sites to commemorate the lives lost.

In October, Minnesota Senator Paul Wellstone dies in a plane crash along with his wife, daughter and five other victims.

Sparked by summer drought, wildfires—including one set accidentally by a forlorn forest ranger—tear across the western United States.

A weakened economy repeatedly drives down interest rates and delivers retailers their worst holiday shopping season in decades.

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Federal employees from the Transportation Security Administration begin screening all checked baggage and random passengers at airports.

The possibility of the United States waging war against Iraq meets disapproval both at home and abroad.

The U.S. Senate passes a resolution condemning a Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals ruling that reciting the Pledge of Allegiance in schools is unconstitutional.
Patients in Florida are the first to receive the VeriChip, a computer chip bearing personal medical data that is injected into the forearm.

Microsoft's Tablet PC enables users to write directly on the screen rather than typing on a keyboard.

The Journal of the American Medical Association reports that children who grow up with pets have a reduced risk of developing common allergies.

Maria de Jesus and Maria Teresa Quij-Alvarez, 1-year-old Guatemalan twins born joined at the head, are successfully separated after over 22 hours of surgery.

Just before burning up in Jupiter's atmosphere, the Galileo spacecraft captures the closest shots ever taken of Jupiter's moon Io.

Both Italian doctor Severino Antinori and Raelian scientists at Clonaid, who believe aliens created humans, claim to have produced the first cloned human. Neither claim is proven genetically.

El Niño causes snow and ice storms up and down the East Coast, rainstorms in California and a devastating December tornado in Mississippi.

A blanket of pollution over South Asia, dubbed the "Asian Brown Cloud," threatens the lives of millions worldwide with respiratory disease.
General Motors introduces the Hy-wire—a car powered by hydrogen and oxygen that emits heat and water rather than harmful exhaust.

The nation's largest outbreak of the West Nile Virus hits in summer 2002. The disease is spread by migrating birds and transmitted by mosquitoes.

The gun turret of the historic Civil War ironclad USS Monitor is raised from the floor of the Atlantic Ocean.

President Bush orders construction of a system that would defend the United States from ballistic missile attacks by 2004.

The newly discovered hunger hormone ghrelin is found to play a role in obesity by regulating what you eat and how much weight you gain.

Early tests indicate an experimental vaccine to be 100 percent effective against the human papilloma virus that causes cervical cancer.

University of Arkansas researchers discover that microorganisms grow in conditions similar to those on Mars, suggesting the planet once hosted or currently hosts life.

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The U.S. Education Department reports that average geography scores of the nation's fourth and eighth graders, while low, have improved from 1994.

Ellula introduces HotAir Speakers, a set of battery-powered, inflatable speakers that are small enough to fit in your pocket when deflated.

Nickelodeon's "SpongeBob Squarepants" ignites imaginations across the nation and appears on store shelves on everything from slippers to suspenders.

McDonald's unveils new lower-fat french fries due to the new Healthy Eating Pyramid and in response to many former patrons suing for making them overweight.

1970s peasant shirts are alive and well on runways and in school halls.

The Institute of Medicine announces that maintaining health now requires one hour of exercise daily, doubling the previous recommendation.

Jewelry designers Le Ann Carlson and Denise Gaskill add style to safety with Lauren's Hope for a Cure medical ID bracelets.

Kmart rejuvenates the Joe Boxer brand with ads featuring the dancing Joe Boxer guy, Vaughn Lowery.
Everyone from hot young movie stars to aging rock stars sports the newest fashion trend, turquoise jewelry.

The cola war puts new flavors to the test, including Dr. Pepper Red Fusion, Pepsi Blue and Vanilla Coke.

Krispy Kreme lovers start a new tradition by celebrating their vows with doughnut wedding cakes.

Several companies introduce flavored water enhanced with vitamins and other nutrients.

European fashion hits the sidewalks and clubs of the United States with retro-style bowling shoes.

Busy singles try out speed dating, which gives couples several minutes to talk one-on-one before moving to a new partner at the next table.

The Mohawk makes a hair-raising comeback after being donned by everyone from U.S. World Cup star Clint Mathis to actor Ryan Phillippe.

Digital innovations include camera phones — cell phones that can transmit still and video images through mobile phone lines.
At the 2002 Academy Awards, Halle Berry and Denzel Washington win Best Actress and Best Actor Oscars. Berry is the first female African-American to win the award.

Spider-Man, starring Tobey Maguire and Kirsten Dunst, spins a $114 million opening weekend box-office record.

With over 6 million viewers, "The Osbournes" is the biggest hit in MTV's 21-year history.

Avid gamers tune in to G4, the first cable TV channel dedicated solely to video games.

Viewers return week after week for a bit of innocent American nostalgia on NBC's hit drama "American Dreams."
Cynical Simon Cowell and company stir up big ratings for Fox's "American Idol" and big record sales for winner Kelly Clarkson, a waitress from Texas.

After a two-year hiatus, Leonardo DiCaprio returns to the big screen with two holiday blockbusters, Gangs of New York and Catch Me If You Can.

Chicago, a film adaptation of the hit Broadway musical, wins three Golden Globes, including Best Picture: Musical or Comedy, and receives 13 Oscar nominations.

Jennifer Aniston wins her first Emmy Award and a Golden Globe for her role as the new mother Rachel Green on NBC's popular comedy "Friends."

Virtual unknowns Nia Vardalos and John Corbett steal America's hearts in the year's surprise smash hit My Big Fat Greek Wedding.

Peter Jackson receives a Golden Globe Best Director nomination for The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers, the year's most anticipated sequel.

HBO Films' comedy Real Women Have Curves promotes positive self-image with the dazzling debut of Latin-American actress America Ferrera.

CBS scores a ratings doubleheader with a pair of forensic investigation dramas, "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" and "CSI Miami."
Newcomer Norah Jones takes home five Grammys, including Album of the Year, for *Come Away With Me*.

Multi-talented Eminem raps up five Grammy nominations for *The Eminem Show* and big box-office success in *8 Mile*.

Rocker Avril Lavigne and other "anti-Britneys," such as Vanessa Carlton and Michelle Branch, represent the new face of women in music.

Weezer teams up with the Muppets in the video for "Keep Fishin'," the second single from their hit album *Maladroit*.

Pop takes a new direction when former boy band favorites Nick Carter and Justin Timberlake break out with solo albums and tours.

Spanish trio Las Ketchup land a summer hit with the catchy "Asereje" aka "The Ketchup Song (Hey Hah)."

R&B newcomer Ashanti becomes the first artist since the Beatles to have three singles from a debut album in *Billboard*’s Top 10 at the same time.

In April 2002, Lisa "Left Eye" Lopes, 30, of R&B band TLC, dies in a car crash on a Honduran highway.
In October, legendary hip-hop DJ Jam Master Jay of Run-DMC is shot and killed in a Queens, New York, music studio.

After a six-year romance, No Doubt’s Gwen Stefani marries Bush’s Gavin Rossdale in September.

Country crossover star Shania Twain hits No. 1 on the Billboard albums chart with Up!, a double CD with every song in both a pop and country version.

Former Beatles rock legend Paul McCartney brings in $2 million a night, for a total of $103 million, on the year’s top-grossing tour.

The Strokes, Spin magazine’s 2002 Band of the Year, lead a resurgence of rock ‘n’ rollers, including The Hives and The Vines.


Alan Jackson’s triple-platinum album Drive wins five Country Music Association Awards and is named the USA Today No. 1 country album of 2002.

Nirvana, the famed grunge band’s long-awaited greatest hits album, features “You Know You’re Right,” the last recording Kurt Cobain made before his 1994 suicide.
Dallas Cowboy running back Emmitt Smith breaks Walter Payton’s 16,727-yard mark to become the NFL’s all-time leading rusher.

The Detroit Red Wings capture the 2002 NHL Stanley Cup over the Cinderella Carolina Hurricanes. It’s a record ninth cup for retiring coach Scotty Bowman.

SERENA AND VENUS WILLIAMS CONTINUE TO DOMINATE WOMEN’S TENNIS, BECOMING THE FIRST SISTERS TO BE RANKED NO. 1 AND NO. 2 IN THE WORLD.

The college football season is marred by violent confrontations involving fans, students and even coaches.

MVP Troy Glaus leads the scrappy Anaheim Angels to the 2002 World Series win over Barry Bonds and the San Francisco Giants, four games to three.

Martha Burk of the National Council of Women’s Organizations battles with Augusta National chairman William Johnson over the issue of female membership at the famous Georgia golf club.

An 18th place finish in the NASCAR season finale at Homestead-Miami Speedway is enough to earn Tony Stewart his first Winston Cup Series championship.

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Despite an injured toe, Shaquille O’Neal powers the unstoppable Los Angeles Lakers to a third straight NBA championship title in May 2002.

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The U.S. men’s soccer team advances to the World Cup quarterfinals for the first time, by defeating Mexico 2-0.

The U.S. Postal Service team propels Sports Illustrated magazine’s Sportsman of the Year Lance Armstrong to his fourth consecutive Tour de France victory.

The top-rated defense of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers shuts down the No. 1 offense of the Oakland Raiders to win Super Bowl XXXVII 48-21.

LPGA pro Annika Sorenstam, after a record-setting 13-win 2002 season worldwide, accepts an invitation to play the Colonial tournament on the men’s 2003 PGA Tour.

The Ohio State Buckeyes beat the heavily favored Miami Hurricanes in double overtime to win the BCS National Championship. The 31-24 victory is the school’s first national football title since 1968.

The new sport of SlamBall takes basketball to the extreme on a specially designed court with four trampolines in front of each hoop.

Skateboarding reaches new popularity heights thanks to the high visibility of the X Games and the “Tony Hawk’s Pro Skater” video game series.

Surfing welcomes a tidal wave of women to the sport after receiving a Hollywood endorsement in the popular summer flick Blue Crush.
The sports world loses two legends—baseball’s “Splendid Splinter” Ted Williams and Johnny Unitas, one of football’s greatest quarterbacks.

Zacarias Moussaoui, widely believed to be the 20th hijacker, goes on trial for his involvement in the September 11 terrorist attacks.

Martha Stewart faces charges of illegal stock trading after former Imclone president Sam Waksal allegedly tips her off regarding the company’s demise.

In show business since they were 9 months old, Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen, 16, have amassed a $76 million fortune through their Dualstar Entertainment Group.

Veteran actor Richard Harris, known for his role as Hogwarts wise headmaster Albus Dumbledore, dies of Hodgkin’s disease at age 72.

Mentally challenged Ohio high school senior Jake Porter—who suited up for every practice and game for four years but never played—scores his first touchdown.

California’s Linda and Loretta Sanchez make history as the first sisters ever elected to Congress.

Mississippi Senator Trent Lott is widely criticized for apparent racist remarks he made at Senator Strom Thurmond’s 100th birthday party. In December, Lott resigns as majority leader.