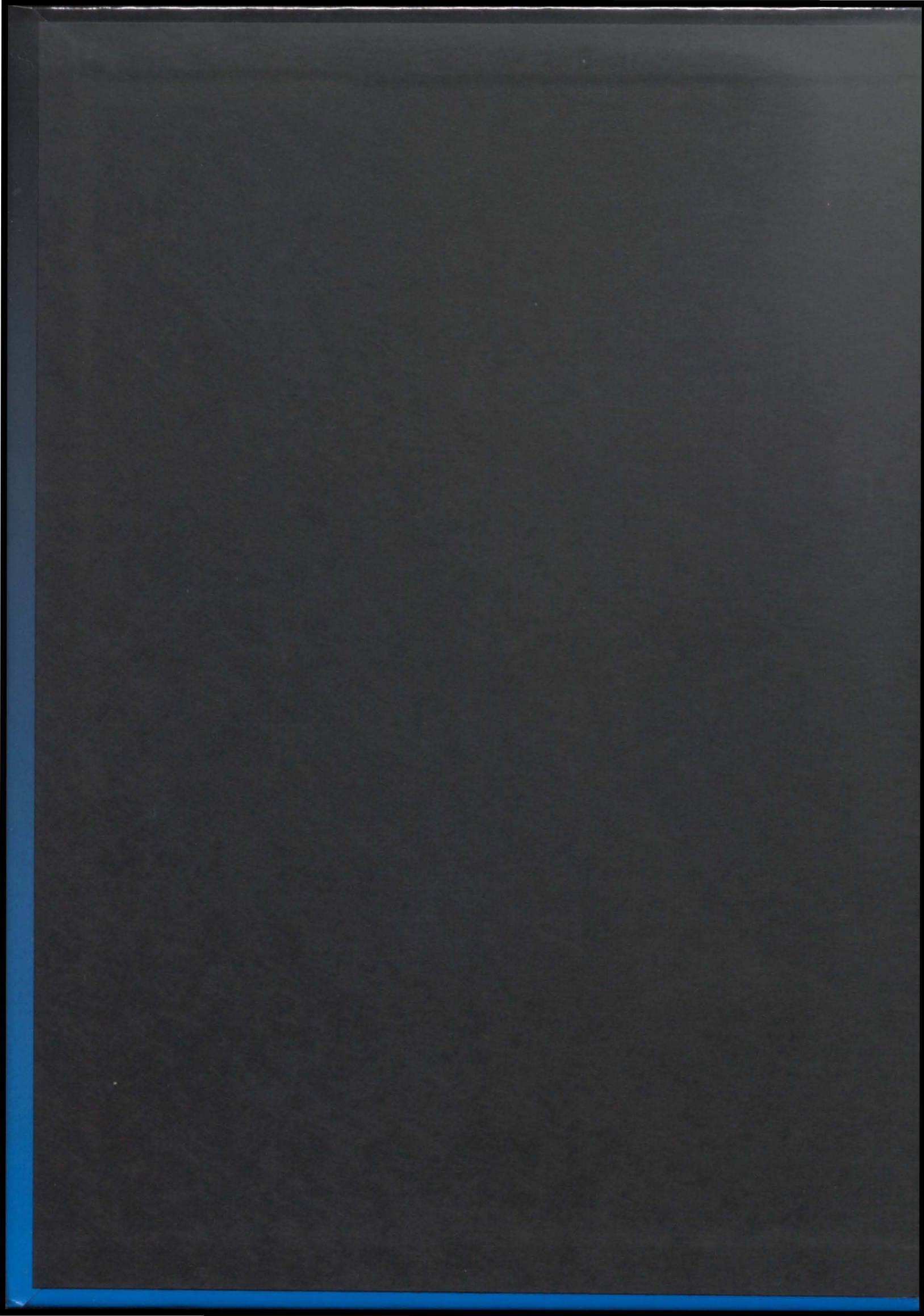
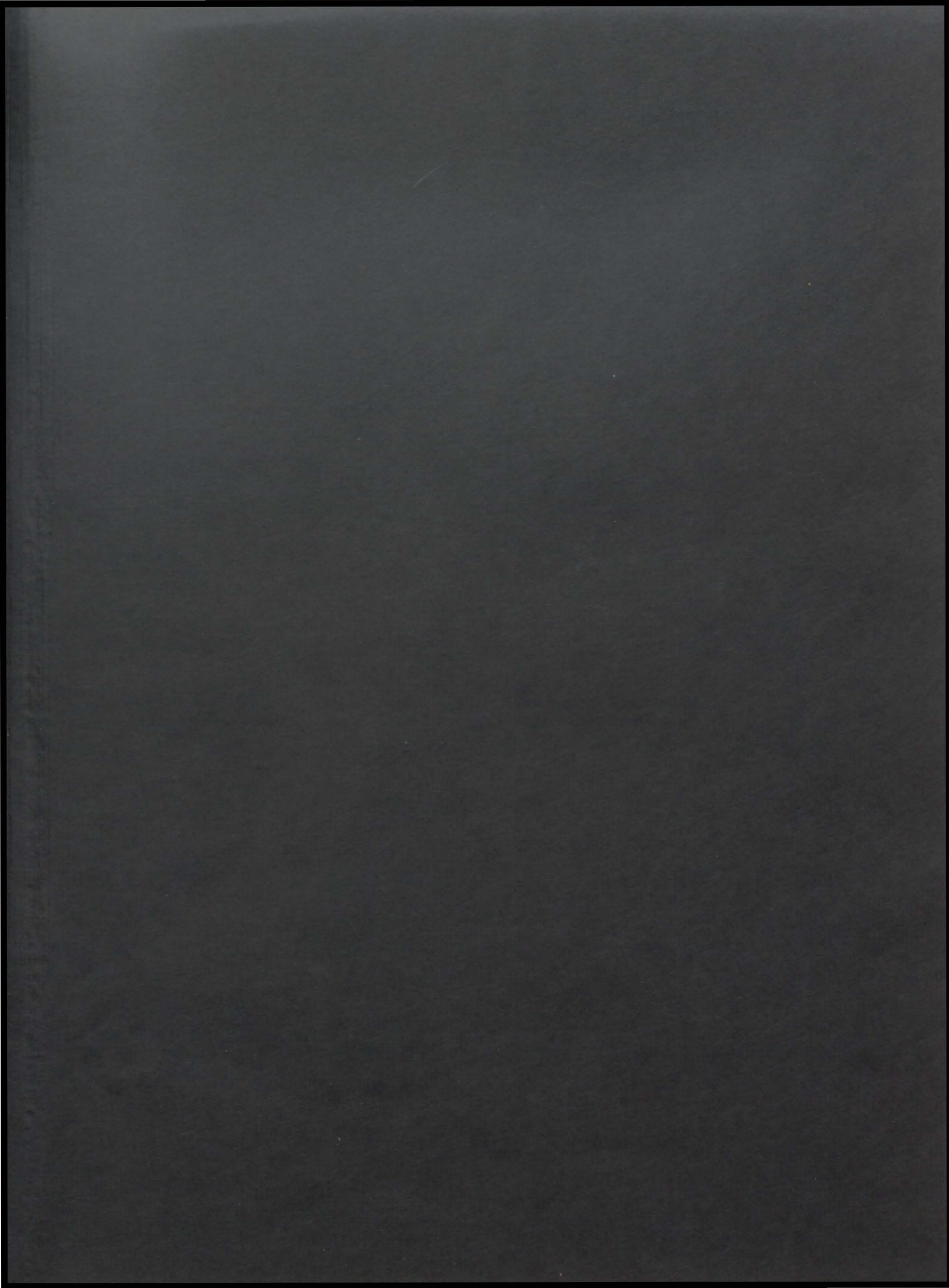
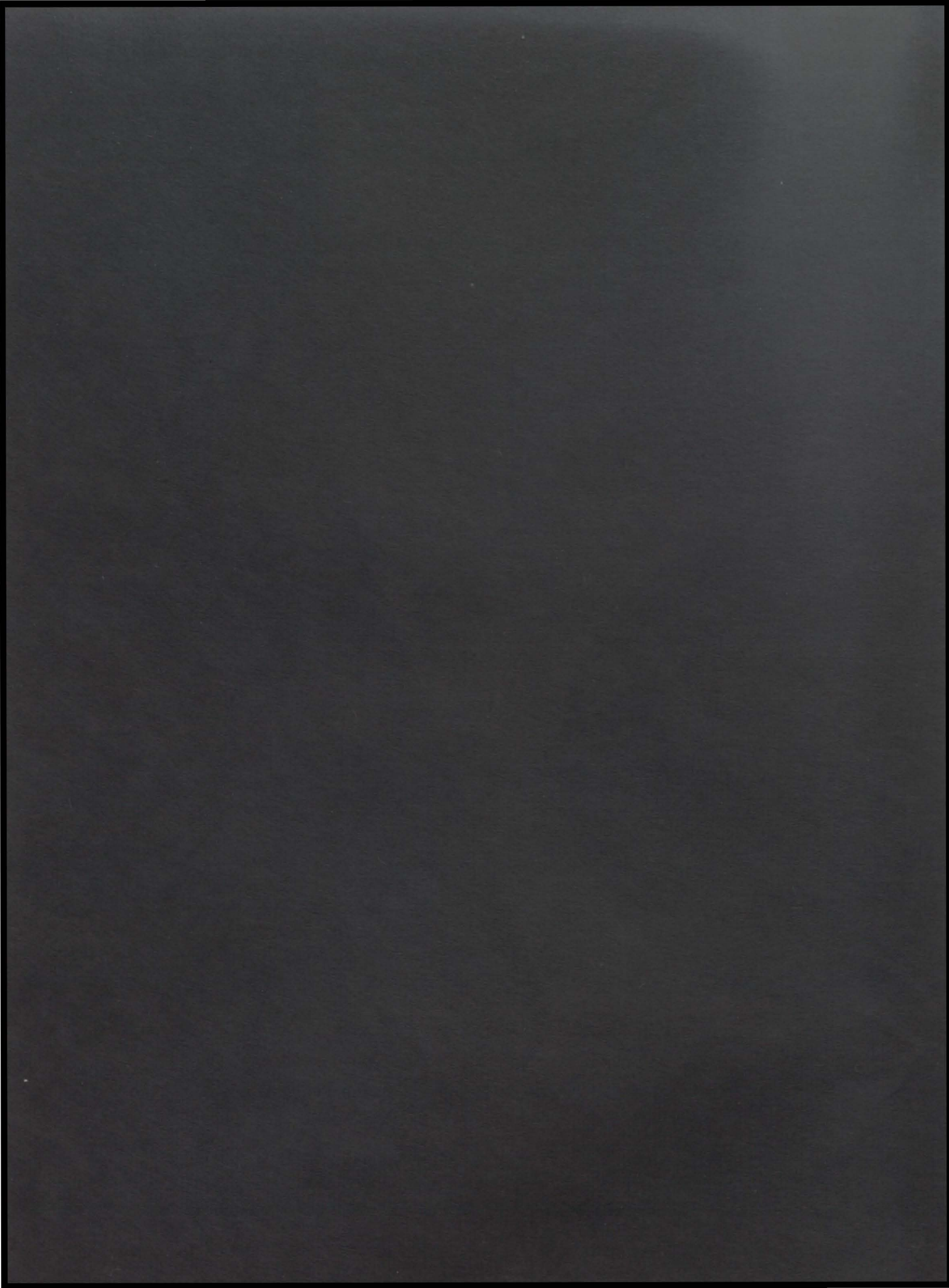


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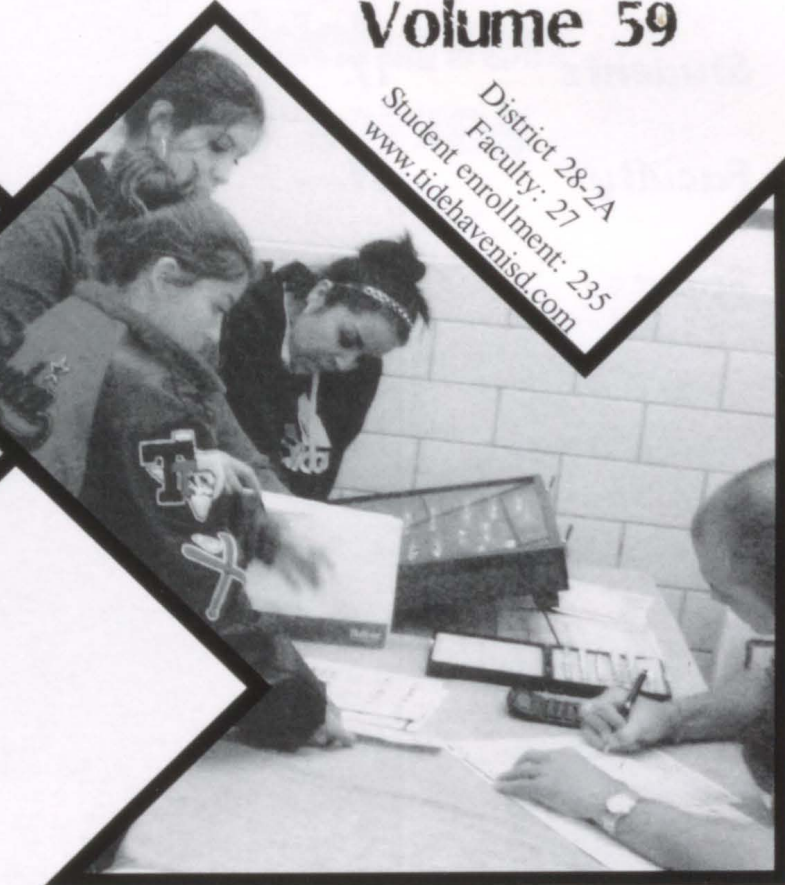




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Finding...

We start out **young** and scared
wondering what our **school** years hold.

We **grow** and **mature**,
and we're still not sure.

We **live** day by day.
We live and **learn**
and **open up**.

We go through rough times
and sad times, **good times** too,
And these times make us **strong**.

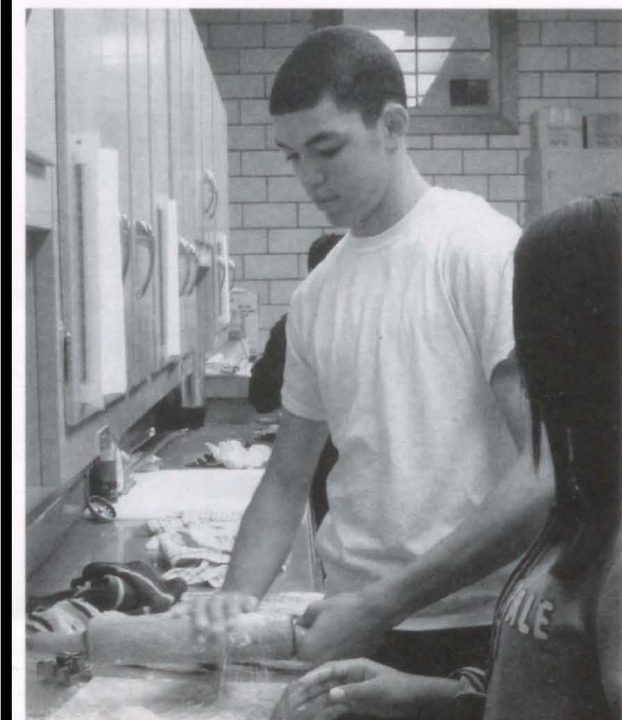
As we go on this **journey**
Our **minds** open, we **decide**.

Our **futures** get set,
we take it all in.

In this school,
we **find** not only **Tidehaven**
but a **part** of **ourselves**.

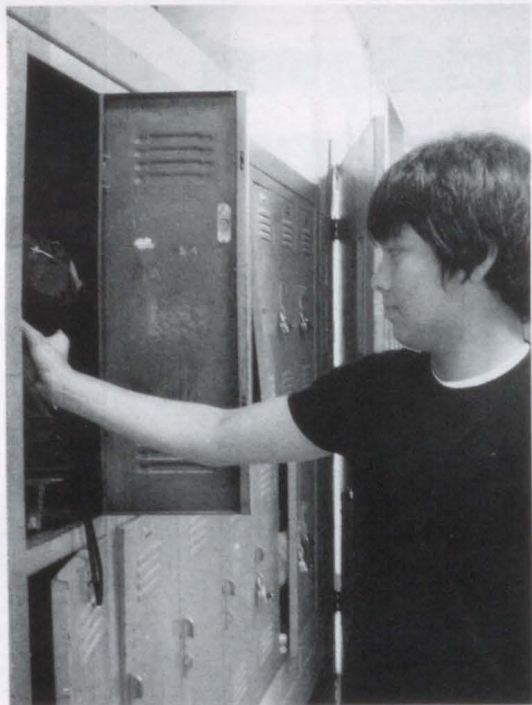
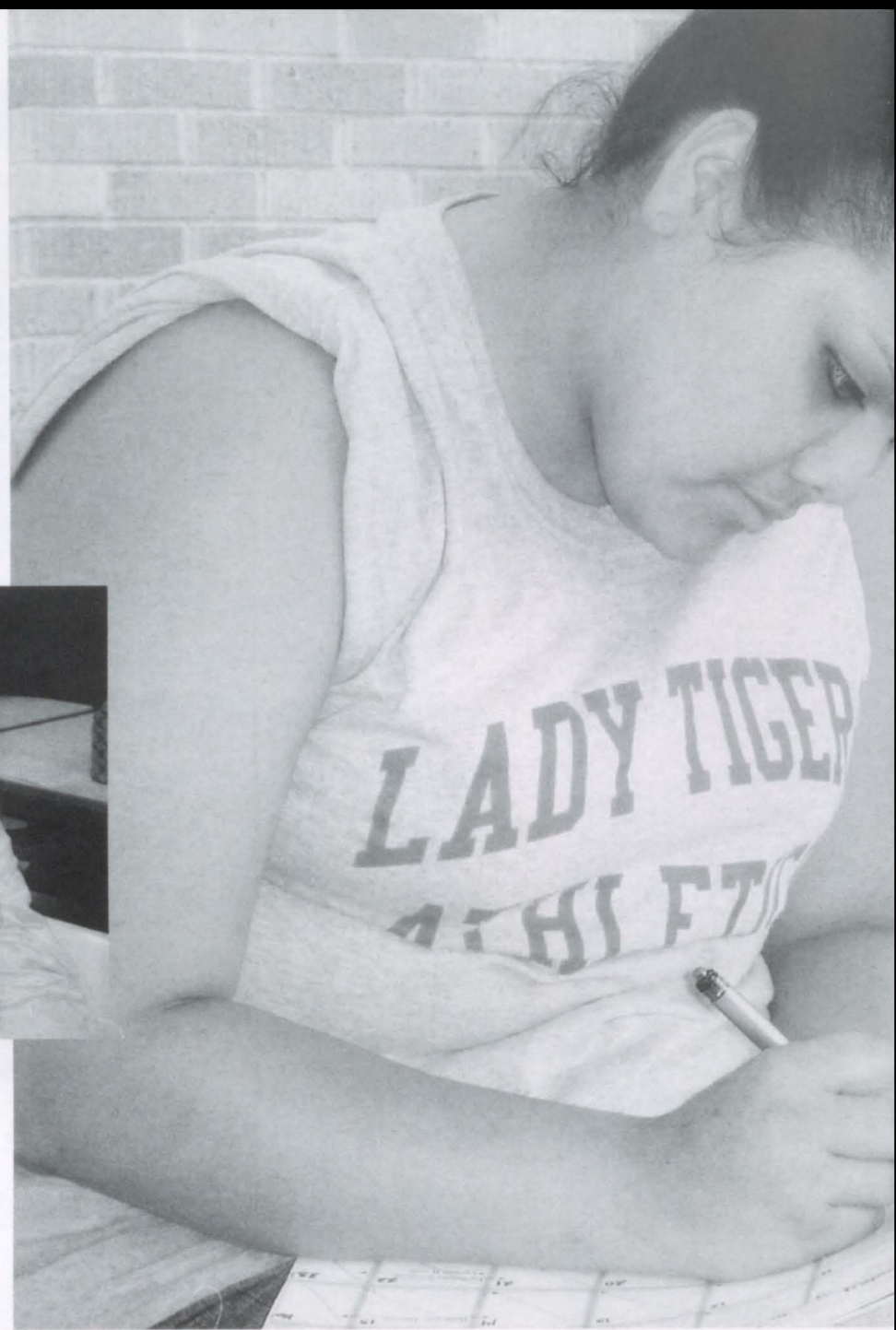
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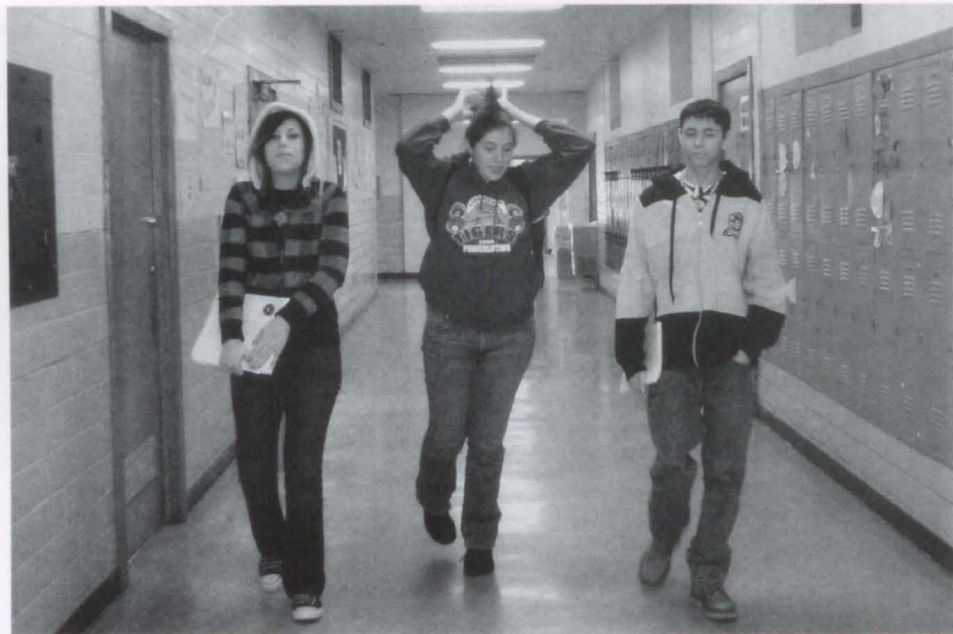
Final Countdown... Counting down the days from August until graduation is senior Daniela Palomarez. "The first couple of days of school were not hard to get use to because I have been coming for fourteen years!" said Palomarez.

Fish!!! Hanging out in the cafeteria after being initiated by the senior class are freshmen Alejandra Espinoza and Chelsea Perez. "It was kind of scary coming into a new school because it's a new place, new people, and harder classes," said Perez.



Is that the Bell!!!! Trying to quickly get his books for his next class before the tardy bell rings is Lupe Ortis. "I did have a problem on the first day - the high school was new to me so I couldn't find my teachers," said Ortis.

Hall Roamers... Walking through the halls to their next class are Melissa Ortega, Nicole Tovar, and Demetrio Davalos. "Yes, it was hard for me to get into the routine of coming back to school. I was tardy a lot to first period," said Ortega.



First Day... only 176 more

A New School Year... it's not summer break anymore. It's a new year to hit the books and wake up every morning for 177 days of school.

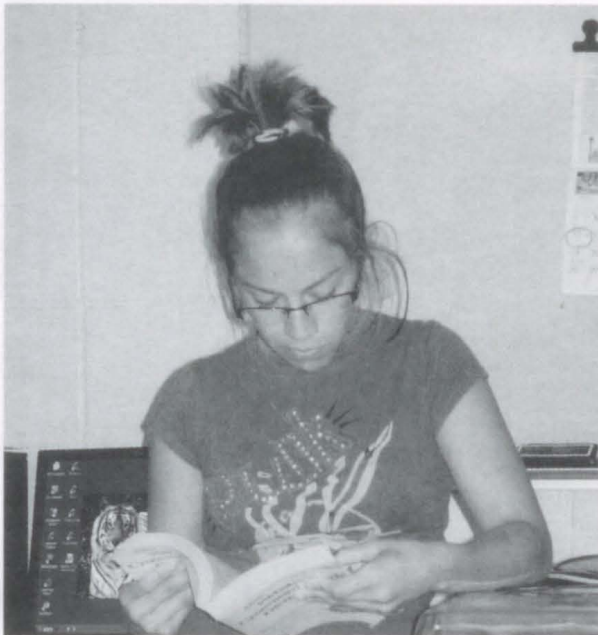
The first day of school or the first couple of weeks can be a little hectic for all students. Coming into the high school as a "fish" can take time for a student to adapt because there is a different school and different environment. "The main

difference I first noticed is that there are more students and more of a diversity of classes," said Lupe Ortis, freshman.

Anticipation, nervousness, excitement, and senioritis builds up in more than half of the senior class. "I am sad but also happy that this is my last year of school. I am sad because I won't get to see everyone again but happy because I won't have to wake up at 6:30 a.m.," said Palomarez.

Pre-Cal IS
TORTURE

NO!!! Expressing how he feels about his Pre-Calculus class with his inspired artwork of words is Robert Sanchez. "Actually, I was looking forward to my A+ Certification class because I like working with computers and that was my only class with them," said Sanchez.



Hitting the books... Looking up a word for her vocabulary paper for her English IV class is Yanessa Longoria. "Coming the first day of school, knowing it's my last year, I was happy because I know that, soon, I will be starting my future," said Longoria.

A break... After a whole day of being chased by and written on by seniors, resting for a minute is Andre Ortiz. "The difference between junior high and high school is that in junior high, you are babied and in high school, you are on your own and your own person. I like the difference because you have a **little more freedom**," said Ortiz.

Finally!!! Shortly after the final bell to release students from school, Marcos Picon gets on the bus to make sure no one gets his seat. "I wake up at six in the morning and I am on the bus at six forty-five. It's early but I am used to it," said Picon.



The wheels on the bus go... After a long hard day of school, Josh Palmer relaxes on the bus knowing he is going home. "It takes me about thirty minutes to get home riding the bus," said Palmer.



Beep Beep!!! Driving cautiously and trying to avoid being tardy to school is Melissa Aguilar. "One advantage of driving my own vehicle is that I don't have to hear those noisy elementary kids," said Aguilar.



The Ride: the transportation students use to get to and from school. When your school is located in a farmland area, there are not too many options. Actually, a person has one of three options - it is either the bus, their own vehicle or trying to catch a ride with a friend.

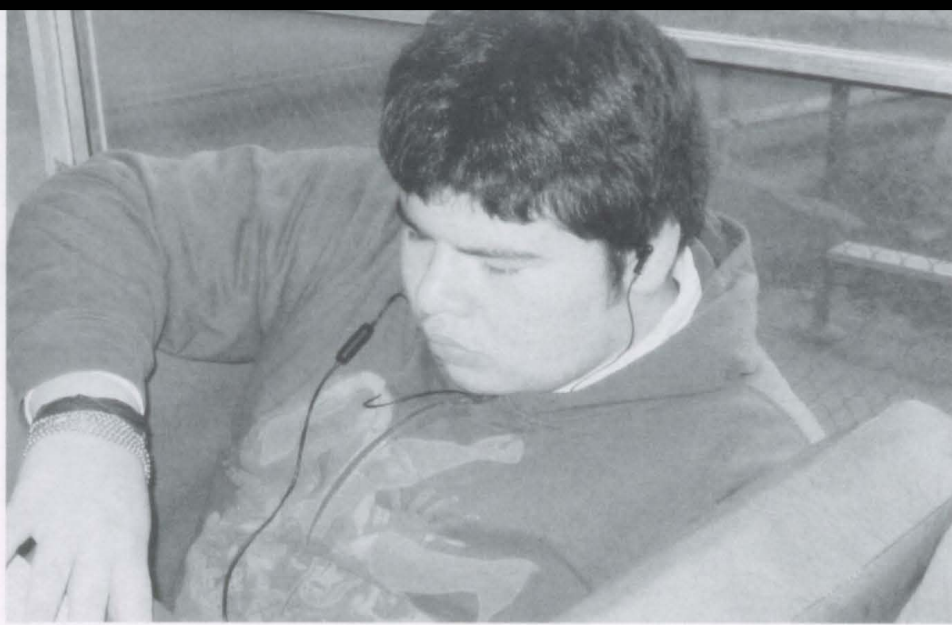
Any way of getting to school has its pros and cons. Some students actually enjoy letting someone else do the driving. "I don't care how I get to school. Riding the bus gives me time to think about things, plus I get to talk

to my friends," said Marcos Picon.

Then, there are the lucky students who have their own vehicles. These people don't have to ride on a noisy or hot bus with too many people or small seats. "It's easier to drive than to sit on a bus with seats that my legs barely fit in," said senior Bradley Jackson.

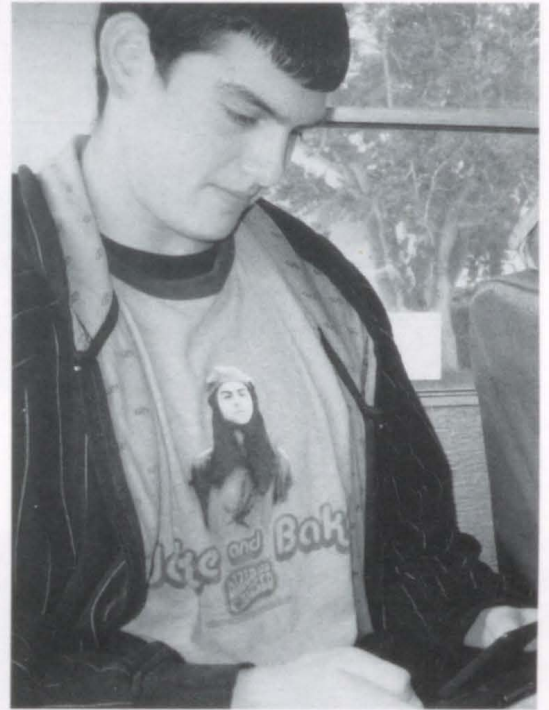
Many of the students have different points of views when it comes to riding the bus or having a vehicle. Either way, students will still get to their destination - school.

Getting from here to there...



All on board!!! While simply waiting to get home, Luis Lule gets into a good book and listens to his music. "I have to wake up at five a.m. to catch the bus," said Lule.

Missed it again... Waiting for the arrival of their bus stop are Justin Lasle and Connor Laney. "It takes usually about an hour to get home after school when riding the bus," said Laney.

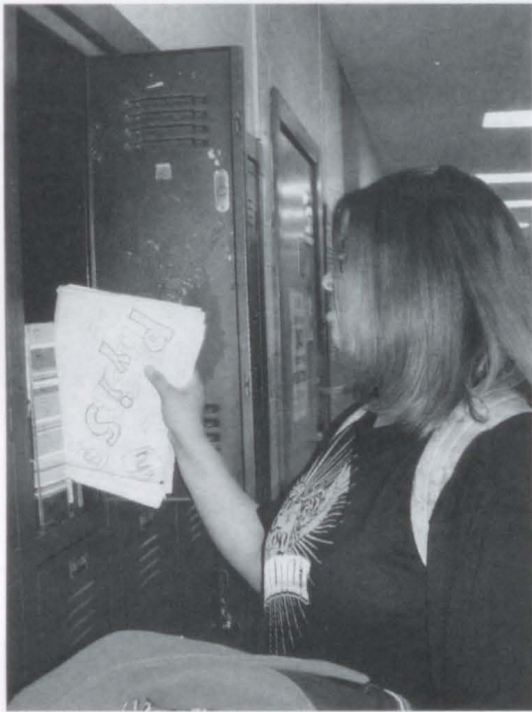


Wait for me!!! Yelling at his friends to wait for him at the arrival of the bus stop is Eddie Flores. "If I could change anything about the bus ride home, it would be to have air conditioning on the bus," said Flores.

King of the Road... Proudly sitting on the hood of his Ford truck is Bradley Jackson. "An advantage of driving your own vehicle is that you don't have to wait on anybody and you can drive a lot faster," said Jackson.

Spotless... Showing off her dean room is Sadie Johnson. "My room is dean because if it's not dean, I get grounded," said Johnson.

Where did I put that...? Quickly putting her physics book into her locker, Kyla Calzada tries to beat the bell before she receives a tardy. "My locker has to be neat so I can know where everything is," said Calzada.



Watch your head... Luckily having a top locker, Cassandra Marin warns others with a locker below hers to watch it or a book might just hit them. "I clean my locker everyday, but my friends turn it into a disaster," said Marin.

Fanatic!!! Having a Longhorn-theme room, people know that Angelica Torres is not an Aggie fan. "The most valuable things that are in my room are the family pictures that are on my walls," said Torres.

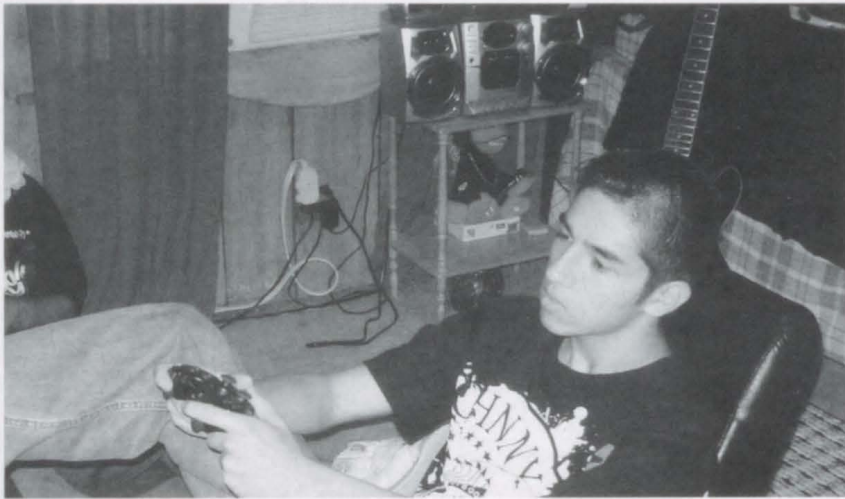


What's that...? Not just for books and paper, Briana Cruz uses her locker like a closet or a place to put all kinds of stuff. "I would consider my locker extremely messy. I guess I should do something about that," said Cruz.



Two thumbs up...

Pleased with the lack of books in his locker is senior Daniel Olvera. "If I could change one thing about my locker, it would be the location because I have never had a top locker," said Olvera.



Game On!!! Hanging out with his friend in his room while playing the latest new video game is Adam Aguilar. "My room shows everyone that I love music," said Aguilar.

My Space: a student's personal space, whether it is a clean room or a messy locker. Many people may not realize that a room or locker can show what kind of person one can be or things that may interest that person, or something they just might like to do. Often spaces show a part of our personality.

Walking the halls since her freshman year, many of the student body may know senior Angellica Torres as a University of Texas Longhorn fan. "My room shows that I

am a number one Longhorn fan," said Torres. Angellica has a large collection of UT t-shirts. She also has mugs, inkpens, pencils, note pads and jewelry with the UT symbol, including a deck of UNO cards.

Lockers at school can also say much about a person. "My locker shows that I can be very careless when it comes to organization," said junior Briana Cruz. Lockers, rooms, or personal spaces can show everything from your personality to what you like to do to what you find interesting.

What's in your... space??

Crown The Queen

The Royalty and Pageantry of Homecoming

Homecoming: a week to show school pride, spirit, and to support our football team.

On September 19, 2008 the Tigers played with all their strength against the Bloomington Bobcats. With determination and hard work, the team defeated the Bobcats with a score of 41 to 0. During halftime, class princesses and senior queen candidates were accompanied by their escorts onto the track in front of the home

crowd. They, along with everyone else, waited anxiously for the announcement of Homecoming Queen. Winning this year's honor was Kourtney McKissick.

Many students participated in spirit activities during the week, such as being a twin with a friend, wearing the attire of a nerd, dressing backwards, jersey day. On game day, everyone wore red & blue to show pride and spirit for our school and team.

Who's the Queen???

Standing in front of their escorts are senior candidates Kourtney McKissick, Emily Tsika, Amber Garcia, and Katee' Endres. "I had to wear my cheerleading shoes because I forgot my shoes to that matched my dress," said Endres.



Smile... Waiting patiently for the announcement of the Homecoming Queen with her father as her escort is Shelbee Garay. "I felt very honored to have my dad escort me and am very grateful for him to be with me on this special day," said Garay.



Poise... Being proudly walked down the track by her grandfather on Homecoming night is Karissa McKissick. "My grandfather escorted me and he means the world to me because he has taught me a lot throughout my life," said McKissick.





Crown me... Receiving the crown from former Homecoming Queen Gabriella Perez is Kourtney McKissick. "I was really shocked when I heard my name. I had the biggest smile on my face. It was a honor to be the 2009 Homecoming Queen," said McKissick.

Honored... Smiling at the Tidehaven football fans while being escorted by her grandfather is sophomore class princess, Alexis Garcia. "I was happy and shocked, but most of all, I felt like my class looked up to me," said Garcia.



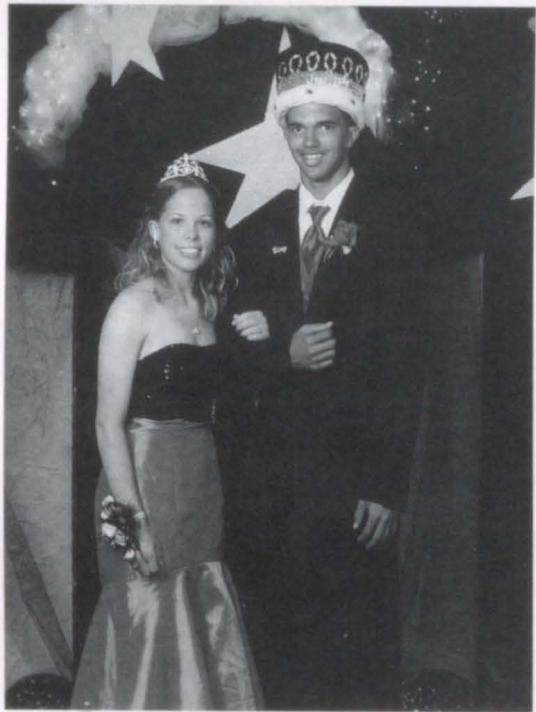
In a dress!!! Directing the Tiger Pride Band in her glamorous dress is Emily Tsika. "It was so much fun directing in my dress! Everyone on the field was smiling at me," said Tsika.

Dresses and Dresses... Posing together for a group picture are the senior queen candidates and the class princesses. "I am going to remember the awesome football game and welcoming fans," said Amber Garda, third from left.



Keeping Rhythm!!! Catching the eyes of the attendants at prom with their dance moves are Kirby Hickl and date. "One word that can describe prom would be tiring, after dancing all night, I was worn out," said Hickl.

It's in the Cards... Feeling lucky while playing a game of Blackjack are Jordan Taska-Genzer, Madison Clontz, and Keli King. "I took Madison as my date because she is a friend of mine," said Taska-Genzer.



Royalty... Elected by juniors and seniors for the 2009 Prom King and Queen are Brittney Nash and Evan Stavinoha. "I was really shocked and very nervous when they called my name as Prom Queen," said Nash.
Rolling Dice... Playing casino games are Eddie Flores, Sara Biskup, Johnathan Castillo and Kyle Heard. "I had a blast hanging out with my friends and having a good time," said Flores.



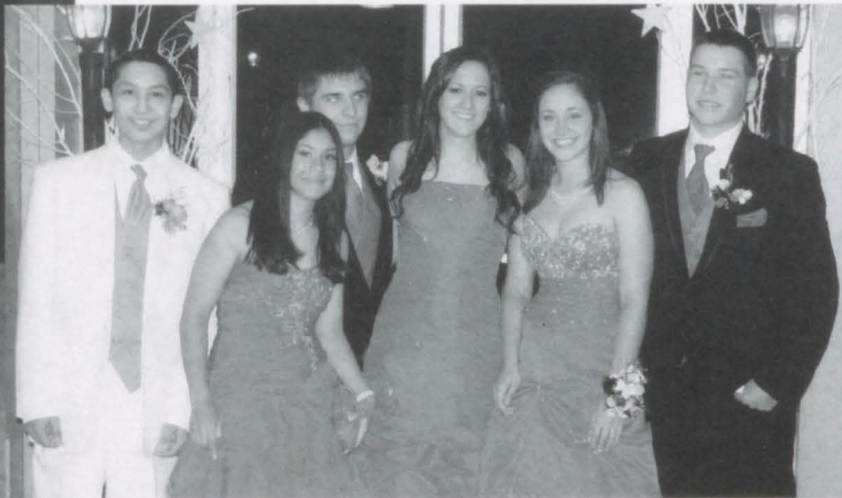
Under The Stars

Dancing with the Stars

Prom: a night filled with memories of our classmates dressed in elegant formal wear, eating out in nice restaurants, dancing to the latest tunes and spending time with friends. This year's event took place on Saturday, March 21st, at the Bay City Country Club.

With 'Under the Stars' as the theme, the Junior class decorated the club with fiber-optic lights, white crystals, black trees & silver stars. Along with dancing, activities

for the evening included casino-style gambling. At the end of the evening, winners could exchange their winnings for tickets and then drop those tickets into bags that contained prizes. The prizes ranged from gift certificates at Unique Boutique, Victoria's Restaurant, or Pizza Hut to items from Wild Bill's Western Wear and Lagniappe or a Matagorda fishing trip or golf for four at the Bay City Country Club.



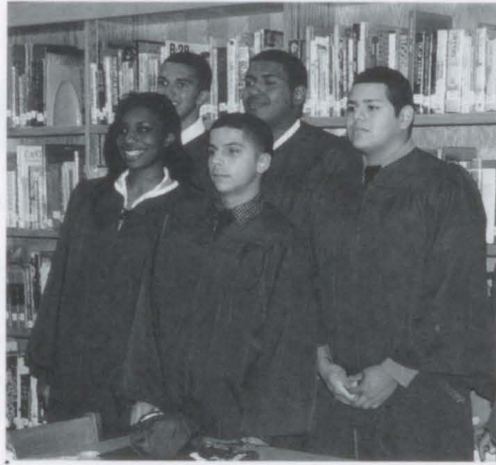
Smile for the Camera!!! Posing for a group picture together on prom night are Johnathan Castillo, Leslie Lopez, Luke Ledwig and date, Sara Biskup and Kyle Heard. "One word that could describe prom would be awesome because everything was great," said Castillo.



Shall we Dance? Dancing the night away with their lovely dates are Brian Batchelder and Chade Joines. "My favorite memory was being parked on the side of Highway 59, thinking that my transmission was out but my friend had the vehicle in neutral," said Joines.

At your Service... Prom servers for the evening were freshmen Jimmy Leatherwood, Karrissa McKissick, Aaron Fisher, and Victoria Vargas Perez. "Our responsibilities for evening were to serve and to hold the door open for the people coming to prom," said Fisher.

Ready... Stopping for a picture with Mrs. Gurecky is the three-year graduate and high point senior, Robert Sanchez.



Another picture!

Gathering for a picture before the ceremony begins are Shawnette Woods, Evan Stavinoha, John Cotton, Anthony Galvan and Juan Sosa.



Final Moments... The seniors line up on the track, waiting for the final announcement that declares them as graduates of Tidehaven High School.

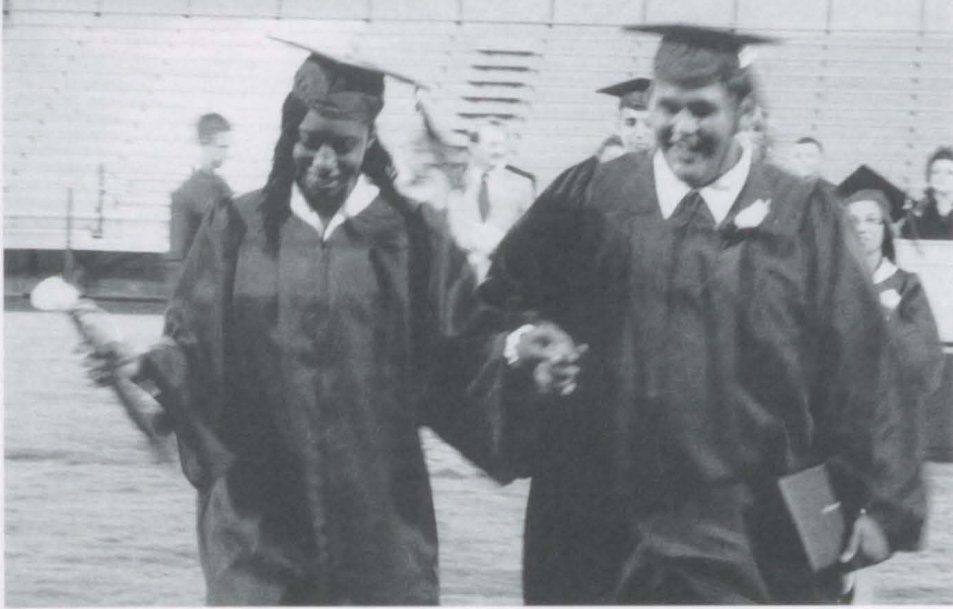
After all of the handshakes, scholarships and diplomas were handed out, commencement exercises were complete. With the final presentation of the graduates came an unexpected surprise. Fireworks filled the air as the seniors tossed their caps into the air. Another class had finished their final days at Tidehaven.

In speeches by Kirby Hickl and Mitchell Carrillo, graduates were

encouraged to use their education to make the world better. In her words, guest speaker Dr. Maribel Garcia-Riley, THS class of '89, stressed perseverance. There may be rough roads ahead but a person must continuously strive to reach their dreams and desires. It may not be what you have accomplished but what you have learned through your accomplishments.

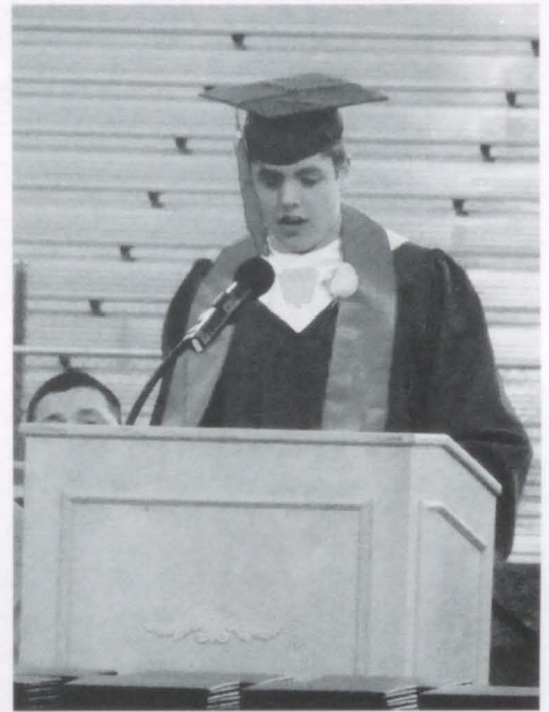
Going out...
with a bang





Celebrate! Walking off the field, hand in hand, are Shawnette Woods and Nat Longoria.

Valedictorian - Giving his valedictory address is Nicholas Carrillo.



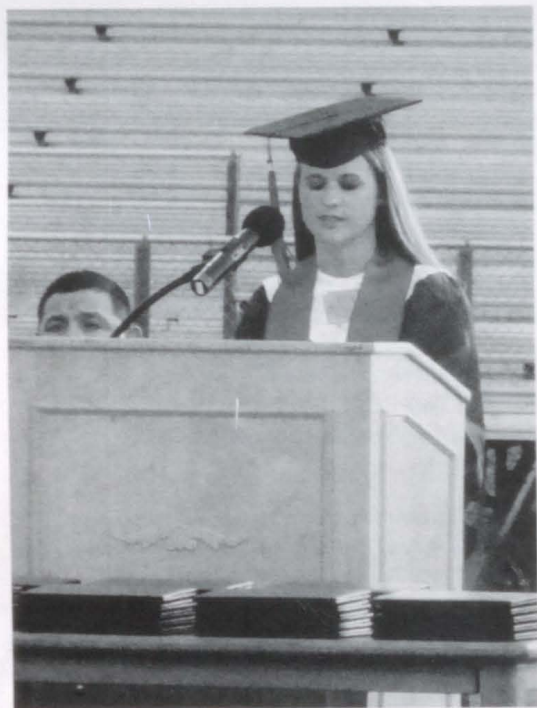
Getting there... With help from Mrs. Barnett, Daniel Olvera gets prepared for the graduation ceremony, receiving his boutonniere.

My Diploma! After the ceremony ends, Elizabeth Nunez is the first senior to return to the library to receive her diploma.

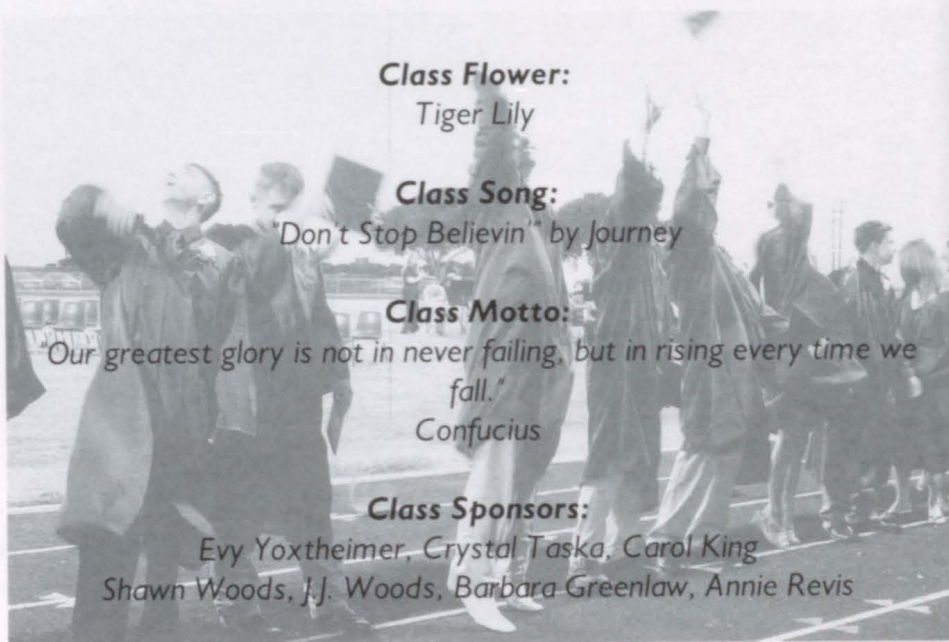
Class of 2009

OFF!!! While Raquel Picon watches, Jose Picon makes sure his cell phone is turned off before the graduation ceremony begins.

One last time... With arms around each other, Nicole Morales, Kourtney McKissick and Norma Marin sing their final school song as THS seniors.



Salutatorian - Presenting her salutatory address is Kirby Hick. **We're Outta Here!** Tossing caps into the air, the THS class of 2009 start their celebrations.



Class Flower:

Tiger Lily

Class Song:

"Don't Stop Believin'" by Journey

Class Motto:

"Our greatest glory is not in never failing, but in rising every time we fall."

Confucius

Class Sponsors:

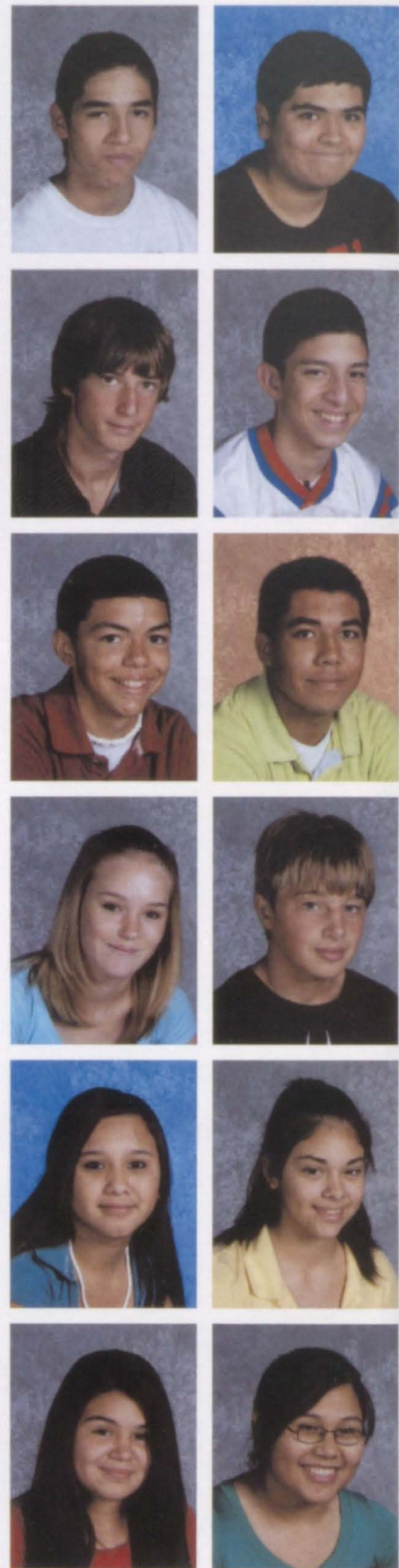
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FINDING OURSELVES

STUDENT BODY



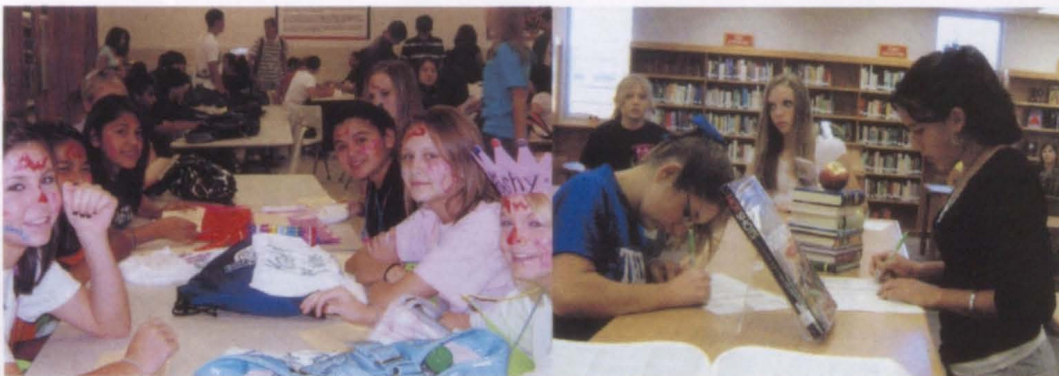


If you were stranded on a deserted island, what three items would you like to have with you?

an unlimited supply of food and soda, my clothes, and a portable TV with satellite channels.
-Logan McGuire

a first aid kit, my blankie, and Kool-aid Singles!
-Essence Saucedo

toilet paper, Dr. Pepper, and a fishing pole.
-Joshua Palmer



Initiation! After having their face painted on the first day of school, freshmen Karissa McKissick, Victoria Vargas Perez, Amanda Ibarra, Angelica Morales and Dominique Davalos wait for the first bell to ring.

Hunting! As they learn the way around the high school learning resource center, freshmen Angie Bigelow, Kimberlyn Sims, and Jackie Swift find answers for a scavenger hunt.

Out of the classroom. On a pretty sunny day, Matthew Seymour enjoys the outdoors while working on an assignment in his Agriculture class.



Freshmen



Pedro Aguilar
 Nicholas Aparicio
 Gabriela Bernabe
 Angelique Bigelow
 Chelsea Briones
 Lucas Carrillo



Wid Crawford
 Robert Cruz
 Dominique Davalos
 Savanna Davis
 Shelbie Dreymla
 Alejandra Espinoza



Aaron Fisher
 Robert Franco
 Mark Garcia
 Sarai Garcia
 Amanda Gonzales
 Amanda Ibarra



Sadie Johnson
 Justin Kitterman
 Dillan Laake
 Carl Lampkin
 Jimmy Leatherwood
 Anissa Longoria



Vanessa Luna
 Chasity Martinez
 Charles McGuire
 Karissa McKissick
 Kaleb Mink
 Megan Moerbe



Angelica Morales
 Lucero Mujica
 Robert Murphy
 Montana Neuman
 Russell O'Bryan
 Guadalupe Ortis

Freshmen

Robert Ortiz
 Joshua Palmer
 Chelsea Perez
 Marcos Picon



Brianna Rozner
 Noe Sandoval
 Essence Saucedo
 Matthew Seymour



Kimberlyn Sims
 Mark Siptak
 Kate Steffek
 Wiley Stuart



Bridis Swift
 Derly Torres
 Victoria Vargas Perez
 Jerome Vernon



Ishmael Villareal
 Kirk Wendel
 Joseph Woodson



Sophomores



Brian Biskup
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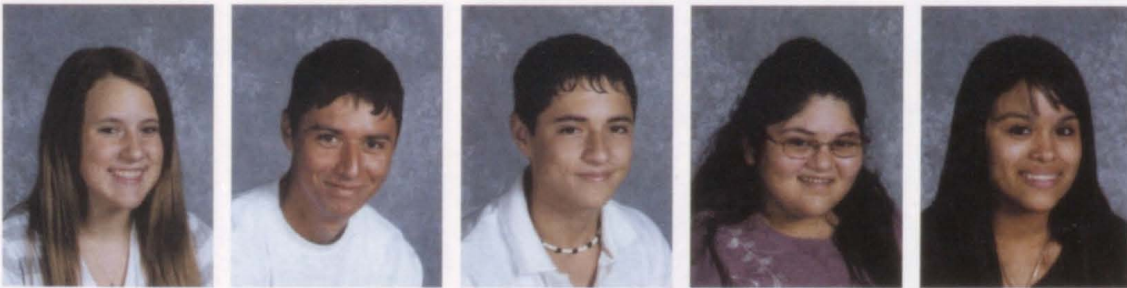
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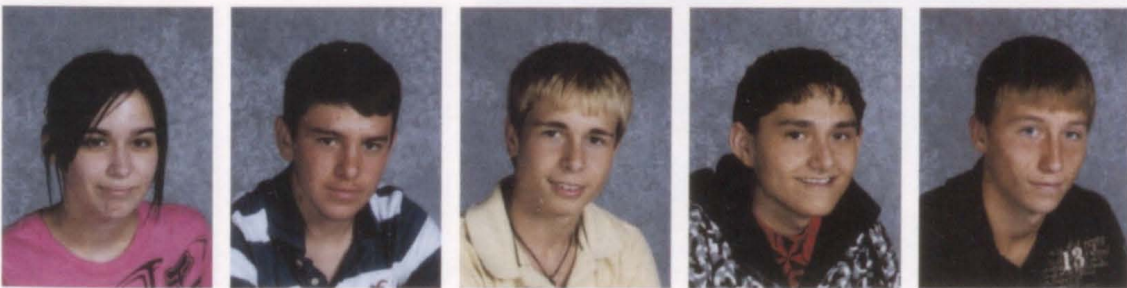
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Cassandra Gallegos
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Alexis Garcia
Clarissa Garcia
Maria Garcia



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Noe Ibarra
Noemi Ibarra
Nohemi Izquierdo



Annika Johnston
Derek Junek
Tanner Junek
Ryan Koch
Jacob Krenek



If I were principal for a day, I would...

...make a big campus party for all the students and teachers.
- Moises Luna

...make it where we can get on MySpace and bring laptops to take notes.
- Amy Lezak

...quit, because I don't want everyone to hate me.
- Roosevelt Edison



Help!!! Working together, Brian Biskup and Hannah Gardner complete a worksheet during their Spanish 1 class.

Lunch time... Enjoying the sunshine on a pretty day, Angelica Palomares and cousin Lucia Palomares choose to have their lunch outside at the gazebo.

Scrabble - With help from Miss Gonzales and a Spanish/English dictionary, Sterling Sliva tries to find a Spanish word using as many letter tiles as possible.



Sophomores



Connor Laney
 Marcus Lara
 Justin Laslie
 Ashlee Lewis
 Amy Lezak
 Fidencio Lule
 Luis Lule



Moises Luna
 Crystal Manciaz
 Amber Mayer
 Sarai McGuire
 Joshua Medina
 Kole Mitchell
 Kylun Mitchell



Amber Morales
 Dylan Nemec
 Jessica Neuman
 Angelica Palomares
 Lucia Palomares
 Nicholas Palomares
 Travis Parks



Diana Perez
 Colton Pierce
 Meagan Piwonka
 Frances Ramirez
 Samantha Rocha
 Sarah Rocha



Erica Rodriguez
 Jesus Rubio
 Guillermo Salinas
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 Sterling Sliva



Randy Sparks
 Rachel Sturgis
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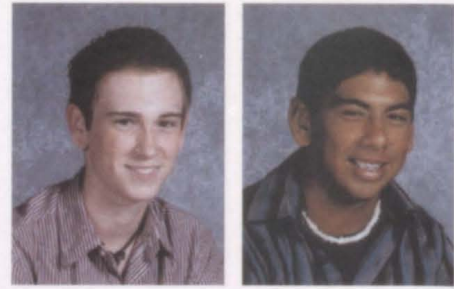


I really hate it when...

...I need to tell someone something but I forget what I was going to say.
- Amy Longoria

... they charge us for extras at lunch.
- Ian Wade

...people think they know everything, especially about the whole president thing. Come on, you and the candidates are NOT best friends.
-Elizabeth Dannels



Listen Up!!! Catching up on the latest gossip during lunch are Becka Wilder and Melissa Ortega.
What's the answer? Assisting Salvador Lopez with his homework is Sarah Rocha.
Howdy!! Passing each other in the hallway between classes, Kaitlin Sanchez and Matthew Elledge find time to share a laugh.



Juniors



Reid Alley
Michael Alvarado
Ronald Andrews
Serafin Bernabe Perez
Sara Biskup
Jessica Blanton



Kaleb Broussard
Micheal Cash
Jonathan Castillo
Jeffrey Crawford
Briana Cruz
Elizabeth Dannels



Matthew Elledge
Cristiano Falcao Neto
Ediberto Flores
Joshua Galvez
Shelbee Garay
Francisco Garcia



Edith Guerra
Edge Harper
Kyle Heard
Brooke Holzapfel
Armando Ibarra
Chade Joines



Marshal Junek
Keli King
Joshua Kirby
Audrey Korenek
Kirby Langford
Joshua Lewis



Amy Longoria
Leslie Lopez
Matthew Lopez
Salvador Lopez
Jenny Lule
Courtney Manciaz

Juniors

Cassandra Marin
Aaron Nowell
Melissa Ortega
Bobbie Palmer



Daniel Palomares
Gabriel Palomares
Valerie Ramirez
Jessica Reyes



Marcus Rocha
Arnoldo Rodriguez
Tyler Rush
Gustabo Sandoval



Timothy Schafer
Candis Sexton
Nicole Tovar
Elizabeth Vick



Ian Wade
Rebecca Wilder
Christopher Wright



Calculate... With her trustworthy calculator in hand, Cassandra Marin works on a Chemistry problem.

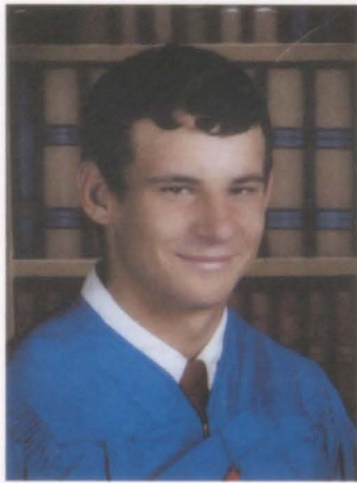
Visits... With a few extra minutes to spare, Edith Guerra and Jessica Blanton exchange information on last night's homework.



Seniors



Melissa Ann
Aguilar



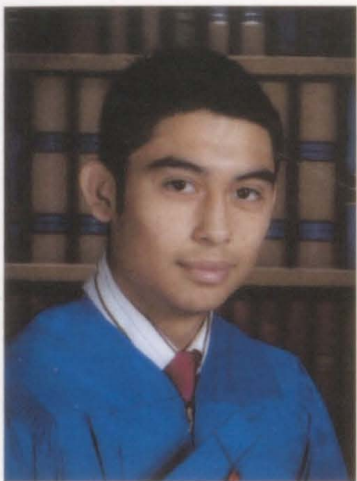
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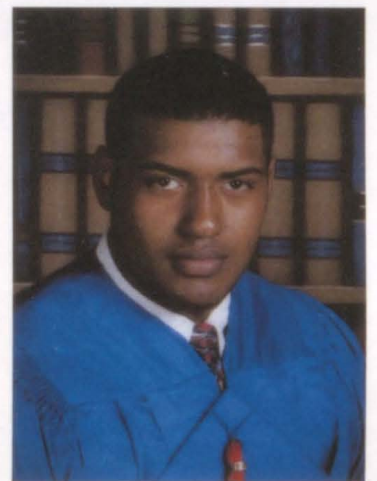
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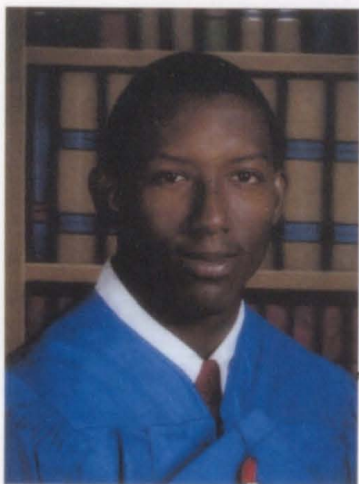


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DeWoody

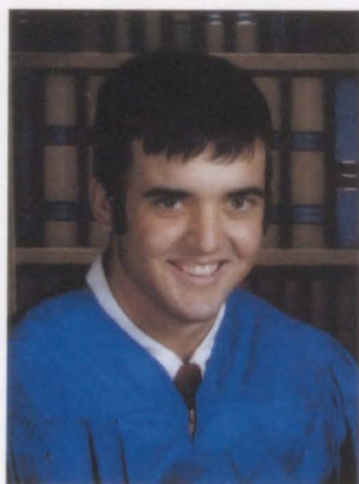


Katherine
Chanelle Endres²⁷

Seniors



Ja'Corey Bouvier'
Fisher



Cody Robert
Frick



Anthony Renee
Galvan



Amber Nicole
Garcia



Crystal Marie
Harvey



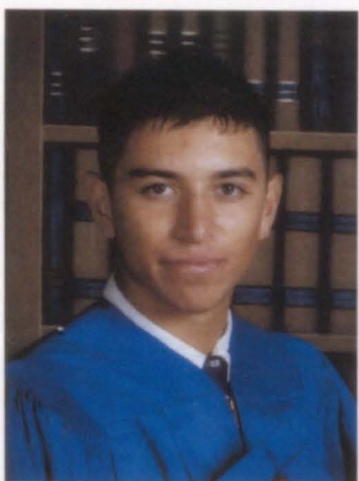
Trevor Alan
Havel



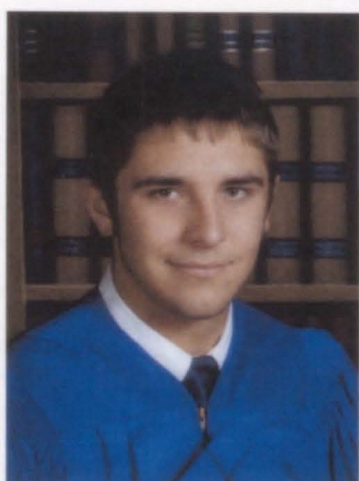
Kirby Jean
Hickl



Grayson Royce
Cowger Huffman



Joe Angel
Lara



Luke Taylor
Ledwig



Eric Anthony
Llanes



Alfred
Longoria



Luz Viridiana
Gonzales-Estrada



Is school pride important?

Yes, because you have to be proud of your school and pump up all the extracurricular activities.
- **Madison Clontz**

Yes, because it keeps the school's team pumped and ready to win.
- **Luz Gonzales**

Yeah, because if you don't have school pride, school doesn't mean too much to you.
- **Shawnette Woods**



Bradley Wayne
Jackson



Natividad J.
Longoria



Twilight!!! After completing the assignment in Aquaculture, senior Kourteny McKissick dives into the new hit series Twilight.

'09 Cookies... Showing off the cookies they received for Valentine's Day are seniors Angellica Torres and Kyla Calzada.

Competition? Trying to be the first to complete his scavenger hunt list during an Senior trip to Matagorda is Eric Llanes. The prize? Being the first in line for lunch at Mr. Gattis.



What do you want your mark on the world to be?

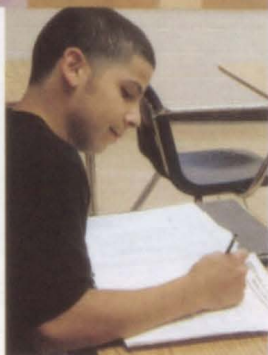
The person who wins the lottery the most.
- Jordan Taska-Genzer

That I effected somebody, changed their life for the better, made something larger than myself.
- Kirby Hickl



Chillin'... After a long and interesting day of touring Matagorda County, seniors Juan Sandoval and Fabian Castillo relax outside in the cool fresh weather.

Focus!!! Finishing his daily work for Math Enrichment, senior Anthony Galvan tries to complete his assignment before the bell rings.



Yanessa Yvette Longoria



Brittney Renee Manciaz



Brittney Michelle Nash



Elizabeth Nunez



Raquel Picon



Cortney Leigh Piwonka

Seniors



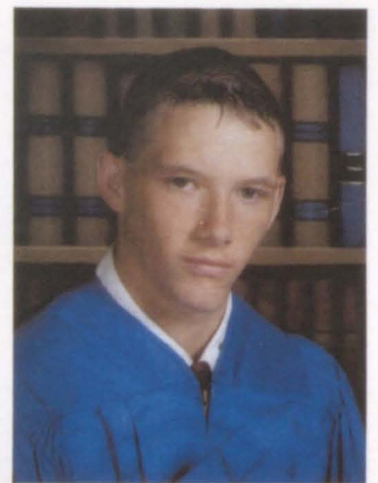
Norma Letisia
Marin



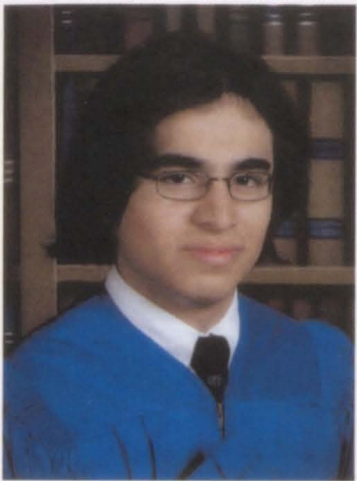
Kourtney Renee
McKissick



Andriana Nicole
Morales



Brandon Scott
Nash



Daniel Guerrero
Olvera



Maria Veronica
Palomares



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Jose Luis
Picon



Reannon
Poag



Victoria Nicole
Rodriguez



Kaitlin Anita
Sanchez



Roberto
Sanchez

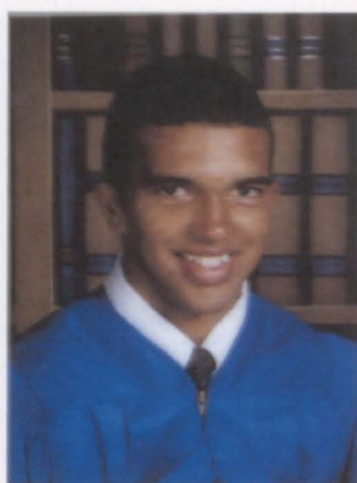
Seniors



Juan Antonio
Sandoval



Juan Miguel
Sosa



Evan
Stavinoha



Jordan Alexander
Taska-Genzer



Angellica Marie
Torres



Catherine Emily
Tsika



Tiffany Renee
Vargas Perez



Adam Slade
Webernich



Shawnette Louise
Woods



Steven Noe
Zepeda



Working together, senior Evan Stavinoha and sophomore Dylan Nemeč construct a Viking helmet out of plaster tape in their theater class.

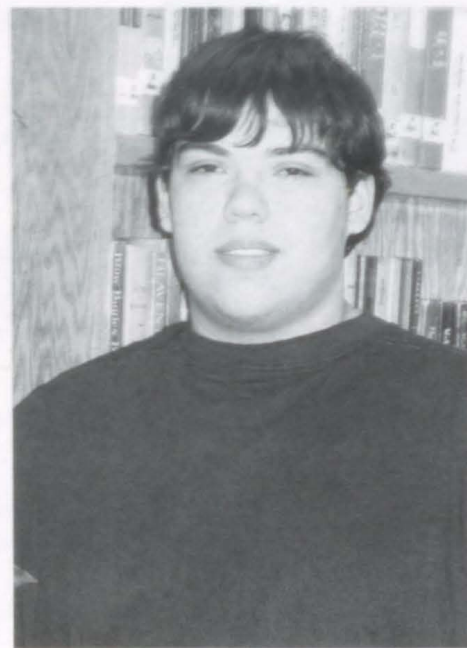
Top Academic Students



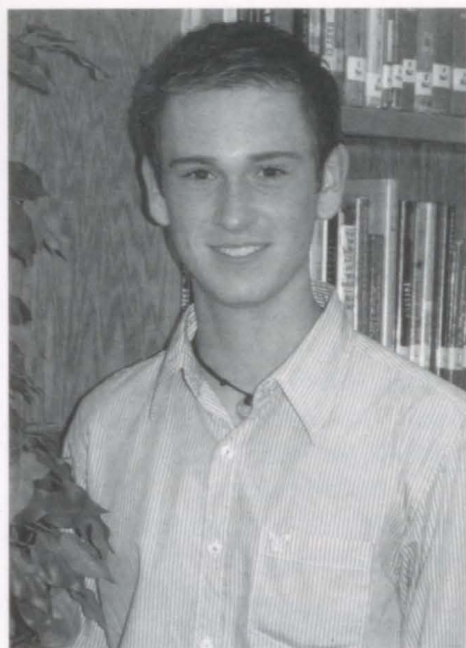
Valedictorian
Nicholas Mitchell
Carrillo



Salutatorian
Kirby Jean Hickl



High Point Senior
Robert Sanchez, Jr.



High Point Junior
Reid Alley



High Point Sophomore
Sean Dannels



High Point Freshman
Jerome J. Vernon

Senior Accomplishments



Madison Clontz

Melissa Aguilar
Span/Sci Club 2,3; FCCLA 1-3.

Brian Batchelder
FFA 1-4; Ftbl 1; Golf 1-3; Bsbl 1.

Kyla Calzada
Span/Sci Club 2,3; Chldr 3; FCCLA 1-3; PALS 3,4; DARE 4; Girls State 3; Band 1,2; Drama 2; Choir 3; Sftbl 3,4.

Nicholas Carrillo

Valed 4; IPC Awd 1; Eng Awd 1; Geom Awd 1; Bio Awd 2; Alg II Awd 2; Pre-Cal Awd 3; Physics Awd 4; AP Cal Awd 4; AP Chem Awd 4; Govt Awd 4; UIL Acad 1-4; NHS 4; FCA 4; Ftbl 1-4; Bsbl 1-4; All-Dist 3.

Madison Clontz

AB Hon 2,3; A Hon 4; Span I Awd 2; FCA 4; FFA 1-4; NHS 3,4; Vlybl 1-4; Most Improv 3,4; Acad Rec 3; 2nd All-Dist 4; Chldr 1-4; Head 3; Bsktbl 1; Track 1-4; Reg Qual 4.

Katee Endres

AB Hon 1-4; DARE 4; FFA 1-3; FCA 3,4; NHS 3,4; Vlybl 1-4; 2nd All-Dist 4; Acad Rec 3,4; Track 1-4; Chldr 1-4.

Luz Gonzalez-Estrada

NHS 3,4; Span/Sci Club 2; Crs Cntry 2; Track 1,2; Vlybl 1-4; Alg I Awd 1; IPC Awd 1; Pre-Cal Awd 4.

Brittany Nash

Span III Awd 3; Sftbl 4.

Amber Garcia

Vlybl 1-3; Bsktbl 1-4; MVP 2,3; Most Improv 4; Chldr 1-4; Head 4; Crs Cntry 1-4; MVP 1-4; Reg Qual 1,2,4; Pwrlftng 1-4; MVP 3; Reg Qual 1-4; State Qual 1-4; Track 1-4; MVP 1,2,4; Reg Qual 1-4; Golf 3; Sftbl 1; Female MVP 3,4; Band 1,2; Drama 1-4; Best Female Tech 2,3; Hon Ment 4; Who's Who 3,4; UIL Acad 1,3,4; Mat Co Hosp Gov Bd 4; Class Off 1-4; NHS 4; FCCLA 4; FFA 2-4; PALS 4; FCA 3,4; Hmcmng Princess 2; Queen Cand 4; Class Fav 2,4; Span I Awd 2; Span II Awd 3; Miss THS Cand 4.

Crystal Harvey

Top Acad 1; NHS 3,4; AB Hon 1-4; Perf Atten 1,2; Geog Awd 1; IPC Awd 1; Math Awd 1; Eng Awd 1,2; Art Awd 4; FFA 1-4; Off 4; Lone Star 3; Mat Co Hosp Gov Bd 4; Health Career Club 3; Miss THS Cand 4; UIL Acad 3,4; Vlybl 1; Track 1; LCRA 2.

Kirby Hickl

Top Acad 3; NHS 3,4; Off 4; Salut 4; A Hon 1-4; Pres Gold Awd 3; Cit Bee 4; FFA 1-4; Area Off 3,4; UIL Acad 3,4; Reg Qual 3,4; Class Off 1-4; Vlybl 1-3; Track 1-3; All Dist 1; Tennis 1,2; Crs Cntry 1; All Dist 1.

Bradley Jackson

Fd Sci Awd 4; Band 1-4; Beau 4; John Phillip Sousa Awd 4; Area Band 3,4; Reg Band 3,4; Solo & Ens 4; State Solo & Ens 4; Mr THS Cand 4.



Amber Garcia



Yanessa Longoria



Kyla Calzada



Katee Endres



Crystal Harvey

Grayson Huffman

Band 1-4; Most Improv 1; Outstand Soph 2; Solo & Ens 1-4; State Solo & Ens 3,4; Area Band 3,4; Area Jazz 2; Reg Band 2-4; Ftbl 1; Bsktbl 1; Span Awd 2; Drama 1-4; Hon Ment 1,2,4; PALS 4.

Joe Lara

Fd Sci Awd 4; Theatre Awd 4; Ftbl 1-4; All Dist 3, All Dist Def MVP 4.

Yanessa Longoria

Drama 4; All Star Crew 4; FCCLA 3,4; Golf 1-4; MVP 2-4; 1st Dist 4; Tennis 2,3; Track 1-3; Sftbl 1,2; Bsktbl Mgr 1,2.

Kourtney McKissick

NHS 3,4; Off 4; Theatre Awd 4; AB Hon 1-4; Who's Who 3; Class Off 3,4; FFA 1-4; Hmcmng Princess 3; Queen 4; Miss THS 4; Class Fav 3; Chldr 1-4; Vlybl 1-4; Track 1-4; Reg Qual 1,2,4; Sftbl 1,2; Tennis 2,3; MVP 3.

Elizabeth Nunez

Span/Sci Club 3; FCCLA 4.

Maria Palomares

FCCLA 4; Bsktbl 1; Vlybl 1-3; Sftbl 1-3; Track 1-3; Tennis 2,3; Golf 1-3.

Daniela Palomarez

BCIS Awd 4; FCCLA 4; Vlybl 1-4; Bsktbl 1; Track 2,3; Sftbl 1-3; Golf 2-4; Tennis 2,3.

Jose Picon

Pers & Fam Dev Awd 4.

Raquel Picon

Yrbk 3,4; Eng Awd 4; Child Dev Awd 4; FCCLA 3; Span/Sci Club 2,3; Pwrlftng 2.

Reannon Poag

FCCLA 2-4; Class Off 4.

Tiffany Vargas Perez

Class Off 2,3; Mat Co Hosp Gov Bd 4; Band 1-4; FCA 4; Crs Cntry 1-3; Reg Qual 1; Vlybl 1-4; Bsktbl 1,2; Sftbl 1-4; Track 1,2; Chldr 1,2.

Robert Sanchez

BCIS Awd 1; Speech Awd 2; Hist Awd 4; Eng Awd 4; Top Acad 4; FCCLA 1-4; UIL Acad 1-4; Reg Qual 1-4; Band 1,2; Span/Sci Club 1,2; Health Careers Club 2; NHS 4; Mat Co Hosp Gov Bd 4; Yrbk 4; Tennis 1,2; Mr THS Cand 4.

Juan Sosa

Ftbl 3,4.

Jordan Taska-Genzer

AB Hon 1-3; World Geog Awd 2; Span II Awd 2; Chem Awd 3; DAR Awd 3; UIL Acad 4; PALS 3,4; Who's Who 3,4; LCRA 2; NHS 3,4; Off 4; Mr THS Cand 4; DARE 4; Perf Atten 1-4; Boys State 3; Ftbl 1-4; Acad All-Dist 3,4; Bsktbl 1,2; Bsbl 1-4; Hon Ment 3; Golf 1-4; Track 1,2.

Emily Tsika

A Hon 1; AB Hon 2-4; UIL Acad 1,2; Class Off 1-3; Hmcmng Queen Cand 4; Band 1-4; Drum Maj 4; NHS 3,4; FCCLA 4; Health Career Club 3; Off 3; Mat Co Hosp Gov Bd 4; Vlybl 1; Bsktbl 1-4; Capt 3,4; Acad All-Dist 1-4; MVP 2,3,4; All Dist Hon Ment 4; Sftbl 3; Track 1-4; Reg Qual 1,3,4; MVP 3,4.

Adam Webernck

Boys State 3; Perf Atten 1-3; Band 1-3; Outstand Perc 1,2; FFA 1-4; Off 3,4; Prom Server 1; Ftbl 1-4; All Dist 4; Bsbl 1-4; Pwrlftng 1,4; Bsktbl 1,2; Track 1-3; Crs Cntry 1; Reg Qual 1.

Shawnette Woods

Vlybl 3,4; MVP 3,4; All Dist 3,4; Outstand Hitter 4; Bsktbl 3,4; Hon Ment 3; Track 3,4; Sftbl 3,4; FCCLA 3,4; Mat Co Fair High Point 4; FCA 4; Drama 4; OAP 4; AB Hon 4.



Kirby Hickl



Jordan Taska-Genzer



Tiffany Vargas Perez



Adam Webernck



Kourtney McKissick

Who's Who at THS - Seniors



Amber Garcia

Favorite teacher? Mr. Rowland. He is one reason why I am pursuing a career in the medical field.

Most challenging class? College English. We had numerous essays that were a huge part of our grade since we did not have homework or classwork.

Relaxation? Being involved and making sure I am always kept up with school work gets tiring. So, any time I get a break, I sleep!

Advice for underclassmen? Always try your best in school, even in the little things, because everything counts.



Kirby Nickl

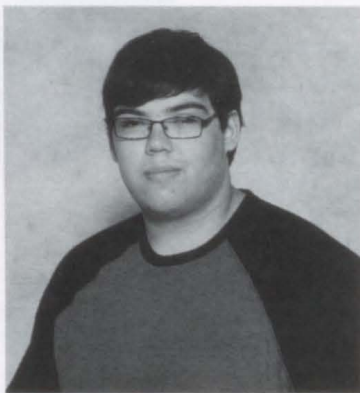
Favorite class? Speech. I love to talk!!

Favorite teacher? Mrs. Taska. She doesn't baby you and she doesn't give you a lot but what she does give you, she expects it from you.

Motivation? Get scholarships for college

Advice for underclassmen? Don't be lazy and keep your grades up.

College plans? Tarleton State University; get a Master's degree in Business Administration.



Robert Sanchez

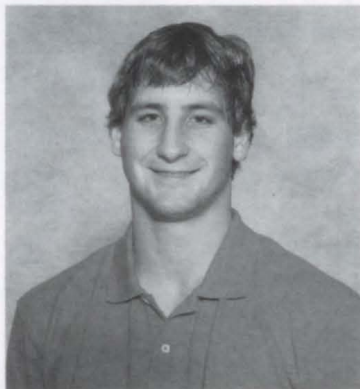
Favorite teacher? Mrs. Anderson. She is the one that led me to decide to become a computer business teacher and I like her teaching technique.

Challenging class? Pre-cal! Mrs. Vivion needs to slow her roll!!

Relaxation? I read or sleep, whichever I think I need more of.

In ten years? Working in an Austin - San Marcos area college as a computer business professor.

College plans? Texas State in San Marcos; Management degree with a teaching certificate.



Jordan Taska-Genzer

Favorite teacher? Mrs. Vivion. I had her for three years!

Most challenging class? Calculus. I have no idea how to do it.

Motivation? My parents and friends.

Relaxation? Go fishing

Advice to underclassmen? Don't get behind.

College plans? Texas A&M; Engineering degree.



Emily Tsika

Favorite class? Spanish. I love the language and being able to understand it and speak it.

Most challenging class? Chemistry. I'm bad at math and chemistry has a lot of math.

Relaxation? Listen to music.

In ten years? An officer in the U.S. Air Force, making money and probably with a family.

Career plans? Air Force; nursing degree to become a maternity ward nurse.

Who's Who at THS - Juniors

Reid Alley

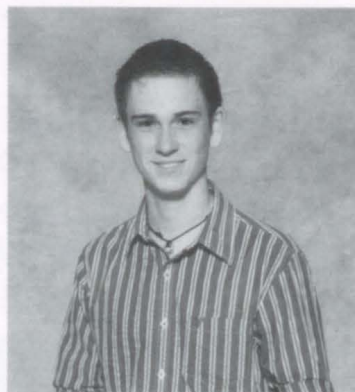
Favorite teacher? Mr. Rowland. He taught me to "pull my head out".

Motivation? I can learn to be successful.

Relaxation? Read and watch television.

Advice to underclassmen? Keep up with your work and get involved.

College/career plans? College and then medical school.



Edith Guerra

Favorite class? Choir. Music means so much to me.

Favorite teacher? Mr. Smith. He is such a great teacher.

Motivation? My daddy's encouragement as well as my want to continue my education.

Relaxation? Listen to music and play with my dog, Yogi!

Advice for underclassmen? Keep up with your assignments and be yourself, not what others want you to be.

College/career plans? Right now I want to study law.



Brooke Holzapfel

Favorite teacher? Mrs. Chandler. She is really sweet and she is my cheer sponsor.

Most challenging class? Pre-Calculus. I don't get it right away and it takes me forever to understand.

Advice to underclassmen? Do not slack off as a freshman, get the easy stuff out of the way so you can relax your senior year.

In ten years? Having a stable career with a family.

College/career plans? Become a Kindergarten teacher.



Keli King

Favorite class? Chemistry. We have labs every Friday.

Most challenging class? Pre-Calculus. Mrs. Vivion makes us work non-stop and it takes a lot to understand it.

Motivation? So I can graduate the top of my class.

Relaxation? Watch television and eat!

In ten years? Opening up a dental office in Bay City.

College/career plans? Sam Houston State University, then get into dental school.



Gustabo Sandoval

Favorite class? Web design. We worked with computers and we designed web sites.

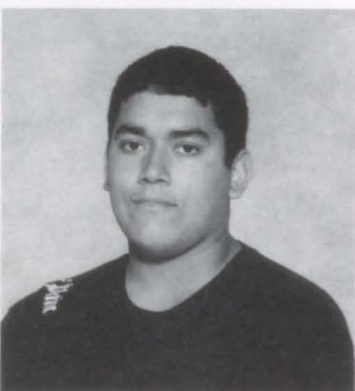
Favorite teacher? Mrs. Robinson. She was cool and laid back.

Motivation? Get into a good college.

In ten years? Running my dad's business.

Advice for underclassmen? Don't wait till the last minute to do anything.

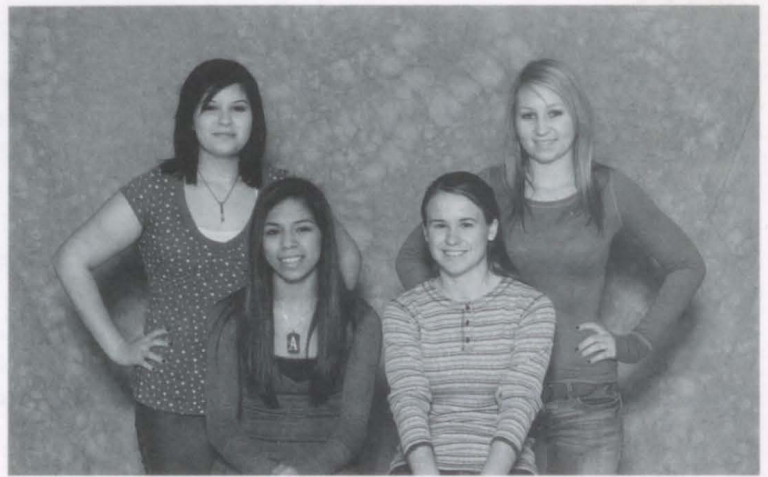
College/career plans? Study business and manage my dad's business.



2008-2009 Class Officers

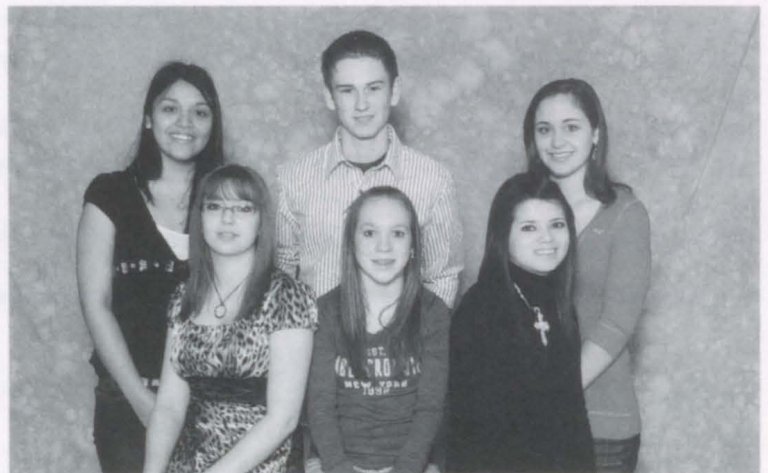
Senior Class

Reannon Poag - Secretary
Amber Garcia - President
Kirby Hickl - Treasurer
Kourtney McKissick - Vice
President



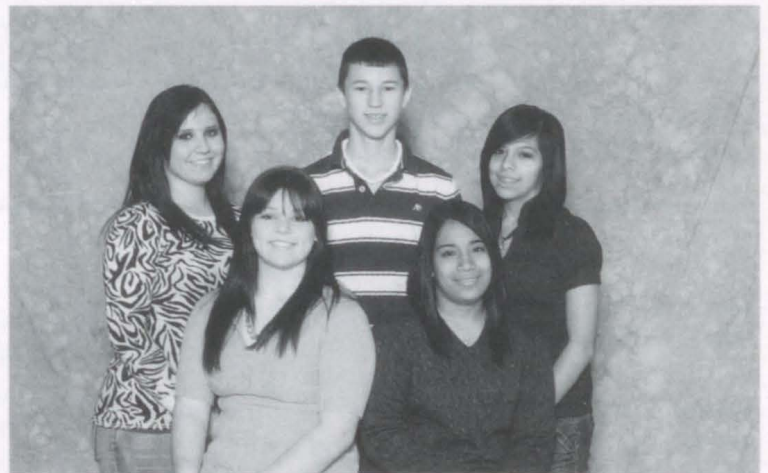
Junior Class

Front:
Bobbie Palmer - Parliamentarian
Brooke Holzapel - Secretary
Shelbee Garay - Vice President
Back:
Edith Guerra - Treasurer
Reid Alley - President
Sara Biskup - Reporter



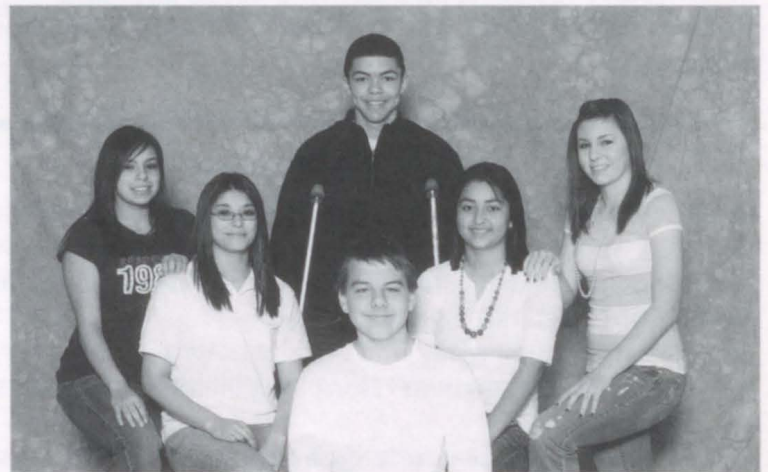
Sophomore Class

Amy Lezak - Vice President
Jessica Neuman - President
Dylan Nemec - Secretary
Crystal Manciaz - Reporter
Alexis Garcia - Parliamentarian



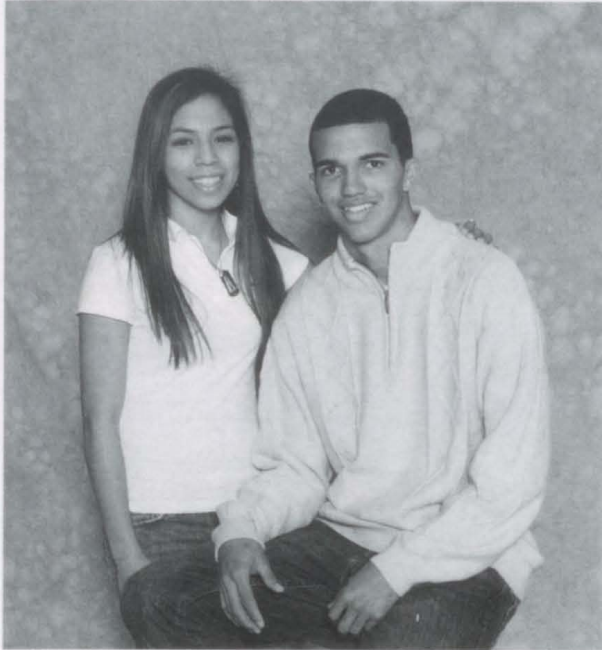
Freshman Class

Chelsea Perez - Reporter
Essence Saucedo - President
Jerome Vernon - Parliamentarian
Aaron Fisher - Treasurer
Chelsea Briones - Secretary
Karissa McKissick - Vice
President

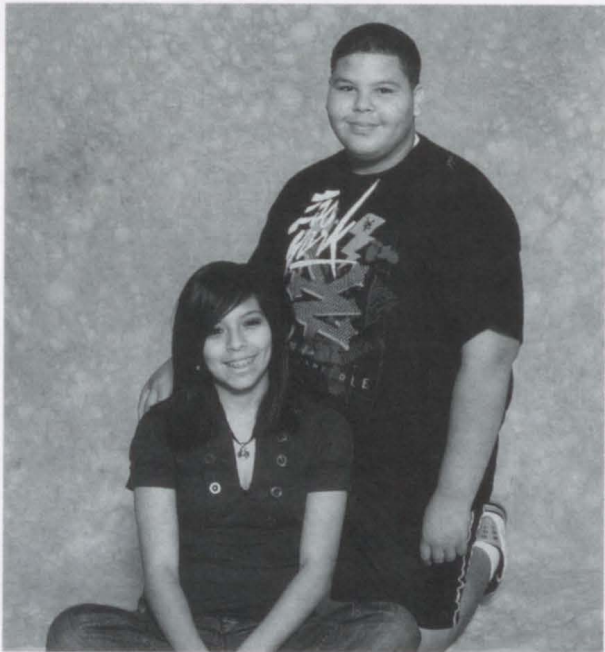
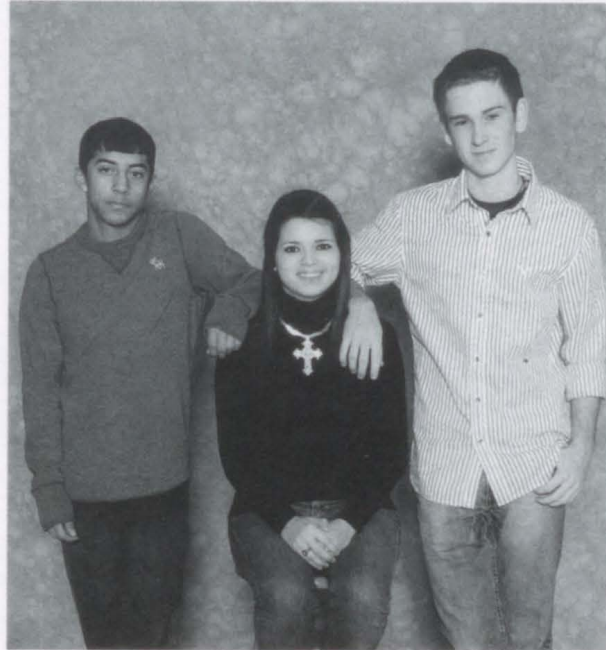


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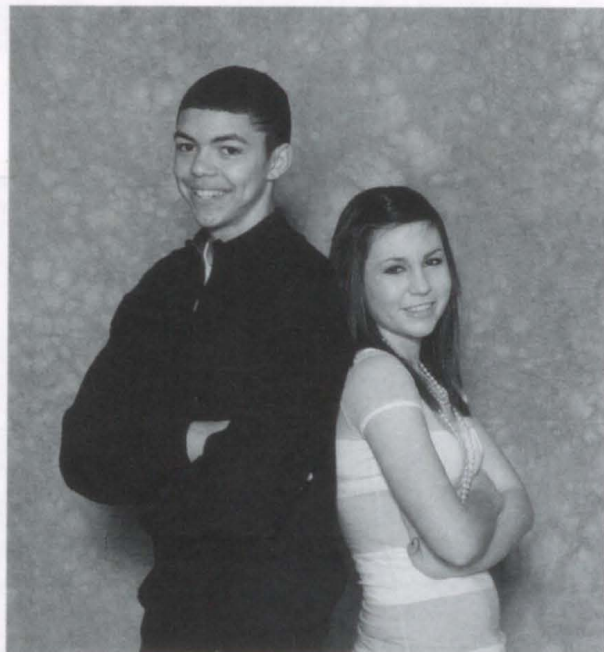
Senior Class
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Evan Stavinoha



Junior Class
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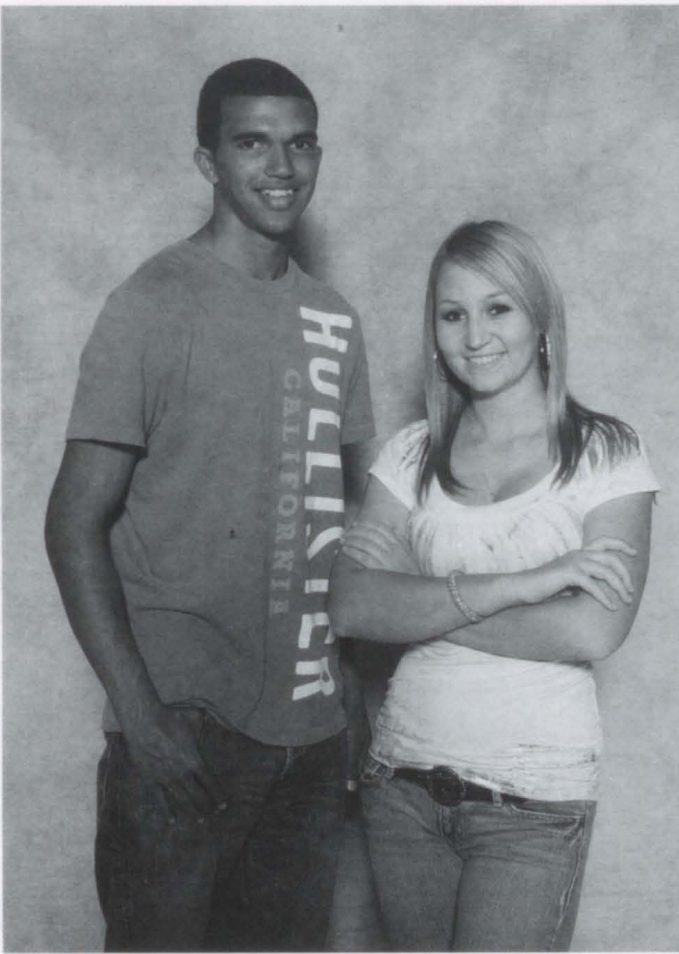


Sophomore Class
Alexis Garcia
Ryan Savage



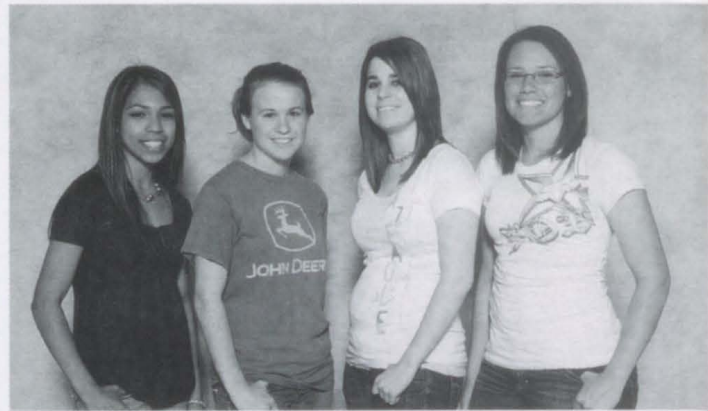
Freshman Class
Aaron Fisher
Karissa McKissick

Mr. & Miss T.H.S.

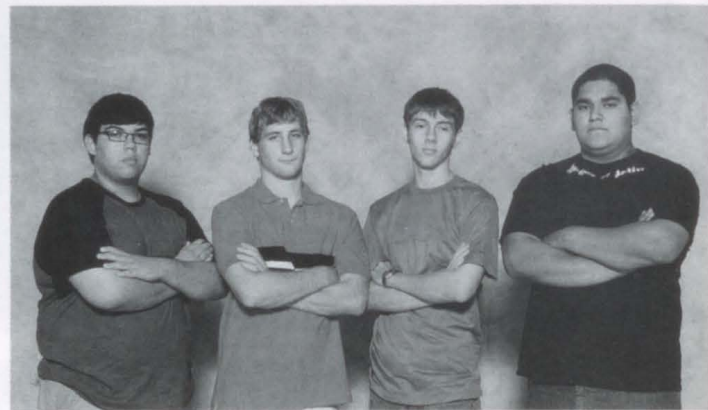


Evan Stavinoha
and
Kourtney McKissick

Candidates

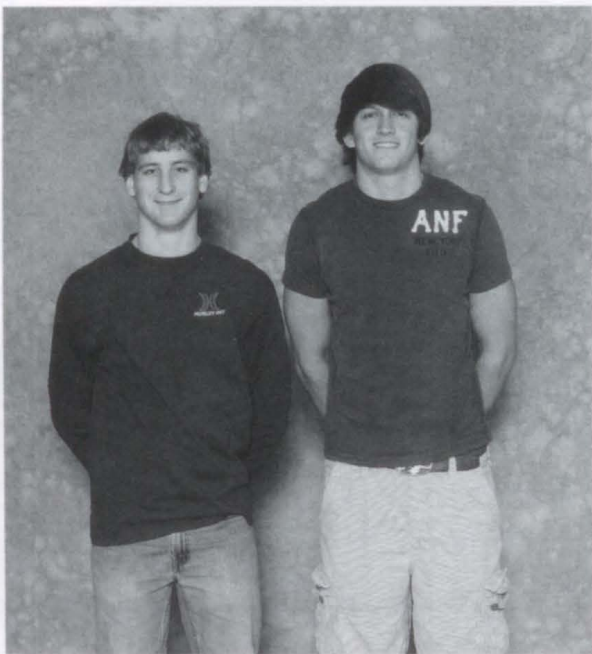


Amber Garcia, Kirby Hickl,
Crystal Harvey, Emily Tsika.



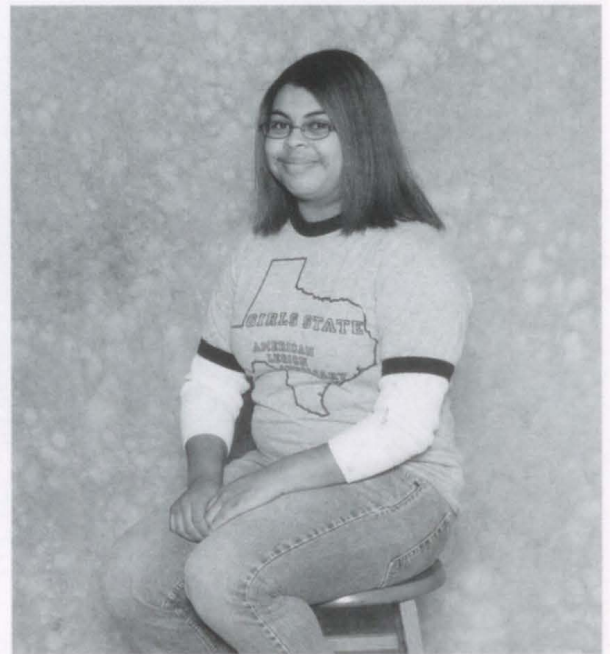
Robert Sanchez, Jordan Taska-Genzer,
Bradley Jackson, Juan Sandoval.

Boys State



Jordan Taska-Genzer,
Adam Webernick.

Girls State



Kyla Calzada



FINDING GUIDANCE

FACULTY & STAFF



Administration & School Board

School Board Members:
 David Webernick - Secretary,
 Eric Saha, Steven Kaspar -
 Vice-President, Stephen Clontz
 - President, Robert Dannels,
 Lee Edward Pierce - Secretary
 Pro-Tem, Robbie Galvan.



Debra Taska -
 Administrative
 Assistant,
Dr. Suzanne Wesson
 - Superintendent.

Seated: Christy Alley -
 Business Office, Mattie Roe
 - Business Office. Standing:
 Doris Streams - Secretary
 to Superintendent, Karen
 Black - Cafeteria
 Supervisor.



Heather Caddie-Mendiola
 District Technology Director



Jamie Buis
 Campus Security &
 DARE Officer

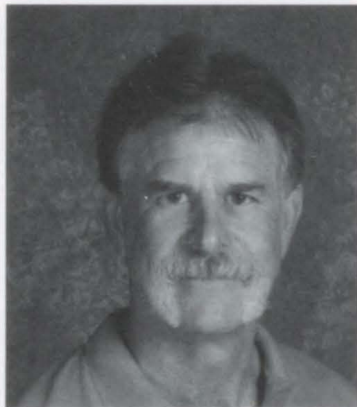


Principal:
Kathy Boyett

High School Faculty



Shelly Anderson -
BCIS, Multimedia, Career
Connections, Desktop
Charlotte Archer -
Geometry
Deborah Barnett -
Algebra I, AP Calculus,
College Algebra



Pam Carter -
Content Mastery, Choir
Stormy Chandler -
ESL, English I, Cheerleader
Sponsor, Tech Writing
Fritz Cornelius -
Agriculture Science

What is one object you have lost that you wish you could find again?

"The title to our '07
Franklin RV."

-Shelley Anderson

"I didn't actually lose them
but a pair of pearl earrings
my uncle gave me. I was
robbed in college and they
stole my jewelry. I hope
they enjoyed them."

-Stephanie Franzen

"Most lately, I've lost an
amethyst & diamond ring
given to me years ago by
my husband & children."

-Laura Jordan

"My first Holy Communion
veil."

-Diana Gurecky

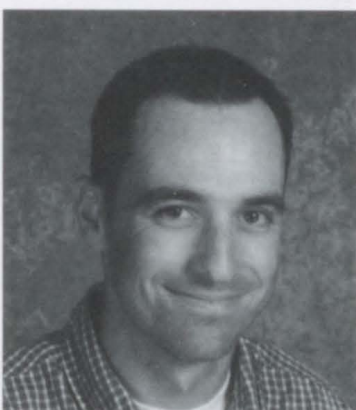
Alysha Diaz -
Biology
Stephanie Franzen -
Agriculture Science
Mary Jane Galvan -
Secretary



Diana Gonzales -
Spanish I, II, III
Barbara Greenlaw -
Life Skills
Linda Griffith -
Registrar



Diana Gurecky -
District Librarian
Brian Harvey -
World Geography, PALS
Kathy Hoffman -
Nurse



Sue Hubenak -
Content Mastery Aide
Renee Huff -
Family & Consumer
Sciences, Yearbook
Pam Joines -Aide



Have you ever been lucky in finding anything?

"I found five dollars in the parking lot at WalMart,. Unfortunately, I was on my way **in** so I spent it."
-Brian Harvey

"I'm not lucky, I'm blessed. The day I found my wife marks the best thing that ever happened to me."
-Joe Rowland

"I found confidence in my traveling abilities when I took my kids on a road trip across the country, up to the Canadian border in Buffalo, NY, and the East along the Ohio/Lake Erie Coastline."
-Pam Carter

"I am lucky in finding pennies & 'junk', not finding large sums of money or anything extremely valuable."
-Renee Huff

How did you first find out about Tidehaven before you here came to teach/work?

"Tidehaven and the town where I grew up, Eagle Lake, were in the same UIL district my 9th-11th grade years."

-John Matthys

"My daughter was attending Blessing Elementary."

-Evy Yoxtheimer

"I graduated from Tidehaven"

-David Lucio

"I found out about Tidehaven while searching for a job after college. After reading about Tidehaven, I decided to take a road trip from College Station to come here for an interview."

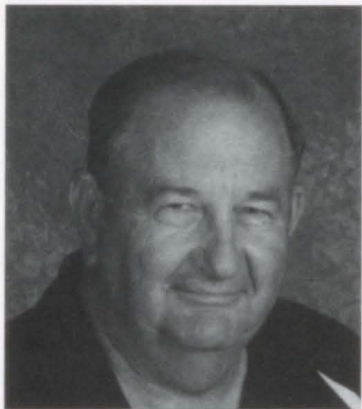
-Crystal Taska



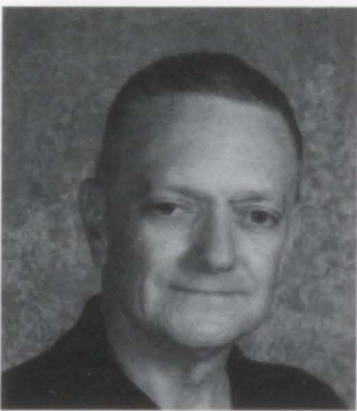
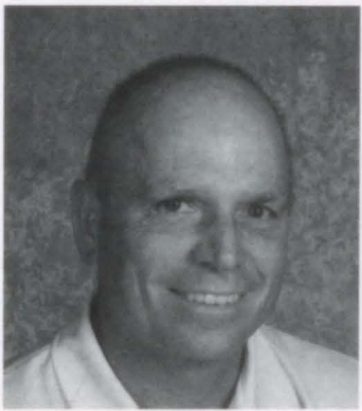
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Tech Duties, Web Design
Laura Jordan-
Counselor
Susan Kaspar-
Attendance



Carol King -
English IV
Josh Lovelady -
Athletics, DAEP
David Lucio -
Government, Economics,
Speech, Athletics



John Matthys -
Math Models, Girls
Athletics
Nicole Mercer -
World History, Theatre Arts
Annie Revis -
Life Skills Aide



Darrel Robinson -Health,
Athletics
Lisa Robinson-
English I, III
Joe Rowland -Chemistry,
AP Chemistry

Where do you think you will find yourself in ten years? Doing what?

"In ten years, I hope to be traveling and spoiling my grandchildren!"
-**Sharon Jones**

"Who knows? I want to eventually go back to college and get my master degree in Physician Assistant. I'm not sure if I'll be finished with that in ten years or not!"
-**Alysha Diaz**

"Hopefully still teaching or as part of the T.I.S.D."
-**Diana Gonzales**

"Hopefully, debt free. Both of my kids should be out of college!"
-**Susan Kaspar**

Charlotte Saha -
Library Aide
Willie Smith -
IPC, Physics
Crystal Taska -
U.S. History, AP U.S.
History



Tamika Thiergood -
Aide
Barbara Vivion -
Algebra II, Pre Calculus
J.J. Woods -
ISS, Girls Athletics



Shawn Woods -
Athletic Director
Evy Yoxtheimer -
English II, Art



What is a question you always find yourself asking?

"Why are we doing this?"
-**Charlotte Saha**

"Where did I put that?"
-**Carol King**

"Why didn't I go fishing today?"
-**Darrel Robinson**

"Is it summer yet?"
-**J.J. Woods**



FINDING OUR STRENGTH

SPORTS





During a break in play, Coach Woods gives the players guidance for their performance on the court. "It was a memorable season because we made it to playoffs during my senior year," said Daniela Palomarez, far left.

Have No Regrets ...and play with integrity

'Give it your all and have no regrets or have regrets because you did not give your all.' These are the words that Coach JJ Woods used to inspire her varsity team and help them make the playoffs for the first time in several years. Because volleyball is a game of determination, discipline, and integrity, it combines many aspects of life, such as setting goals, working hard for what you want, and perseverance. These players worked together as a team and set goals to become successful. By starting the season with the summer two-a-

day practices and enduring many set-backs along the way, the athletes kept their goals in sight. They utilized their players to gain advantages on their opponents, thereby gaining a spot in the play-offs. After the many hours of practices and games put into this trying sport, the varsity team was not able to advance past the first round of playoffs. However, the team left the playoff game court that night with their heads held high. They had given it their all, and that was all that mattered. They had played with integrity and **they had no regrets.**

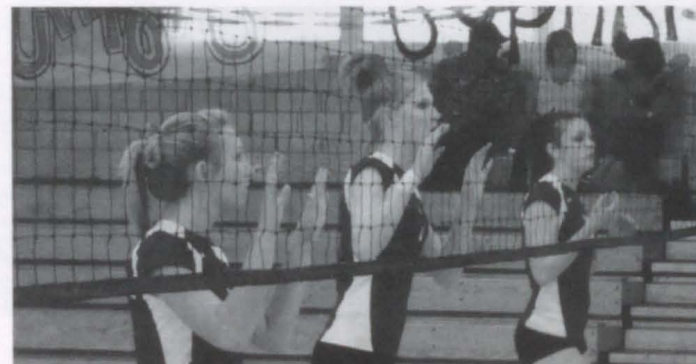
schedules

THS		OPP
1	Van Vleck	3
1	Boling	3
3	Danbury	2
3	Hitchcock	0
0	Industrial	3
3	Van Vleck	2
1	Boling	3
3	Danbury	0
3	Hitchcock	0
0	Industrial	3
	Play-off:	
0	Skidmore-Tynan	3

Presenting their coach with an appreciation gift are Madison Clontz and Shawnette Woods. "We haven't been to playoffs in several years, and I wanted our team to change that," said Clontz.



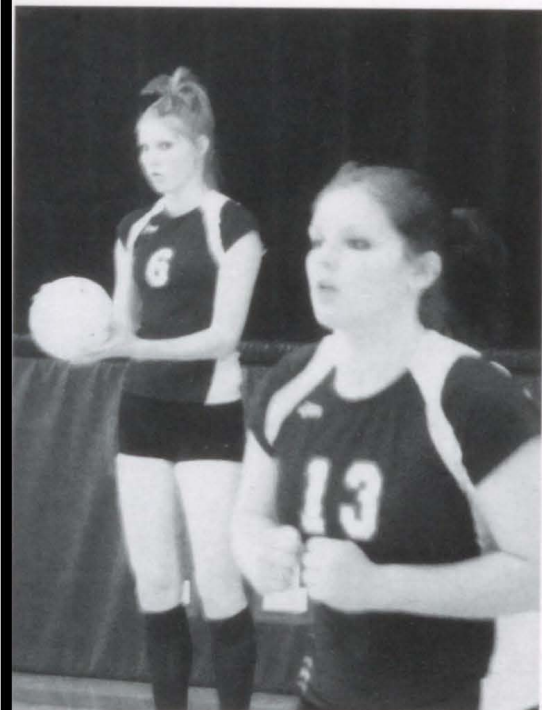
Preparing for an opponent's serve are Kourtney McKissick, Madison Clontz, and Katee Endres. "Never stop believing or trying" is the motto I try to play by," said Endres.





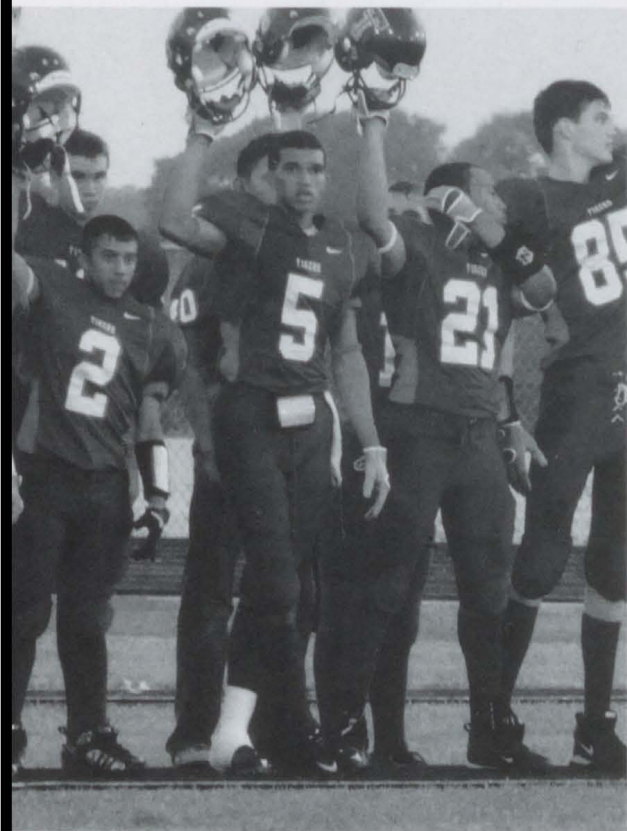
Hitting the ball to the opponent's side is Kourtney McKissick with back-up support from Katee Endres. "My mom used to play volleyball with me when I was little and she has inspired me to continue playing the game," said McKissick.

In the middle of a game, Briana Cruz sets the ball for her teammates, Kourtney McKissick and Jessica Neuman. "My favorite part was fighting for a win that wasn't easily ours," said Cruz.



With Madison Clontz serving, Jessica Neuman gets ready for the next play. "Just being out there on the court is the best feeling and I wouldn't trade it for the world," said Neuman.

Backing Jessica Neuman are Shawnette Woods and Karissa McKissick. "Either you play with no regrets, or you regret how you played," said Woods.

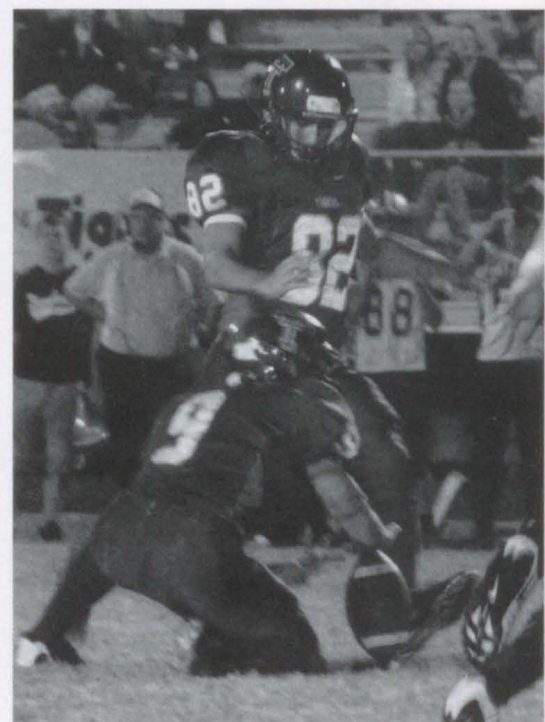


Getting pumped up for the game are players Marcus Rocha, Jeffrey Crawford, and Evan Stavinoha. "Football is my favorite sport, and it's what I'm best at playing. I love it," said Rocha.

Being ambushed on the playing field is ball-carrier Ja'Corey Fisher. "I was trying to score my third touchdown of the night," said Fisher.



Going through pre-game warm-ups are Colt Clontz and Marcus Lara. "I enjoy hearing all the fans in the stands and having a chance to play with all of my friends," said Lara.



Kicking the ball from the hands of Josh Galvez is Christiano Falcao Neto. "Football is the kind of sport where every single game is important," said Neto.



During a timeout, players gather to receive tips from their coaches. "My favorite part was winning our games," said Evan Stavinoha, far left.



ONE TEAM... ...ONE DREAM

The 2008 season started off bleak for the Varsity Tigers. The first two non-district and district games resulted in heavy losses that did not sit well with the players. Hurricane Ike did not improve matters when it caused the postponement of many practices and games. With determination and will, the Tigers carried on doing what they do best: playing football.

As a result of hard work and practice, the varsity team

advanced to the play-offs for the first time in ten years. This game was played against Refugio, who at the time was ranked number one in the state in 2-A schools. After a hard-fought game decided by time and with their heads held high, the Tigers exited the field at the end of the night with a score of 25 to 28. The Tigers had lost, but they had held their own. They had proven that they were the mighty Tidehaven Tigers - a team with a mission.



Gaining yardage on the football field is Damion Foster supported by Sean Dannels and Ja'Corey Fisher. "I like football because I feel it is preparing me for life," said Foster.



Observing the game from the sideline are Dylan Carillo, Ian Wade, Daniel Palomares, and trainer, Anthony Tolson. "The extensive practices were the most challenging aspect of this season," said Carillo.

schedules

THS		OPP
35	Brazos	40
12	Palacios	21
41	Bloomington	0
39	Needville	49
0	Industrial	33
45	Boling	21
34	Hitchcock	49
33	Danbury	14
38	Van Vleck	18
	Play-Offs:	
25	Refugio	28

schedules

Cheer Camp:
UCA
College Station

**Varsity Camp
Awards:**
Superior Trophy

JV Camp Awards
Superior Trophy

While the National Anthem is played before a football game, the cheerleaders link to each other as one. "I love to support our teams and I love how the little girls look up to us," said Keli King, fourth from the right.



Raising the crowd's spirits during the game are the varsity cheerleaders. "When the fans cheer with us, I get pumped up," said Madison Clontz, third from the left.



A cheerleader's summer isn't all fun and games. This year, the varsity and junior varsity cheerleading squads attended a UCA Cheer Camp located in College Station. While there, the cheerleaders learned new cheers and routines to be used at sporting events throughout the school year. Katee Endres, Amber Garcia, Julanna Garay, and Brooke Holzapfel also tried out for the All-Star Squad while at camp.

The school year proved to be even busier when the cheerleaders participated in the

midnight madness, nine varsity and junior varsity football games, ten pep rallies, one volleyball playoff game, and one football playoff game.

Members of the squads also took part in the HEB Thanksgiving Shopping Spree to provide food to needy families in November. The teams also hosted a mini-cheer camp for local cheerleaders-in-training.

Leading their squads during the year were Varsity captain Amber Garcia and Junior Varsity captain, Jenny Lule.

Flying High

Rising to the Occasion



Surrounding the mascot at a game are members of the varsity squad. "I enjoy pumping up the crowd for our team," said Amy Longoria, second from the left.





Leading a crowd in a cheer during a Friday night football game are Madison Clontz, Katee Endres, and Candis Sexton. "My favorite part was watching the guys make it all the way to playoffs," said Endres.

Performing at a pep rally are Keli King, Jenny Lule, Kaitlin Sanchez, Hannah Gardner, Kourtney McKissick, and Brooke Holzapfel. "I love to make the crowd show their spirit," said Holzapfel.



Dancing to a stand tune played by the Tiger Pride Band are members of the varsity cheerleaders. "My favorite part of cheering was the play-off game. It was like a dream come true," said Kourtney McKissick, second from the right.

During a pep rally cheer, bases Kaitlin Sanchez, Edith Guerra, and Jenny Lule hold up Angie Bigelow. "I trusted them, so I hoped they didn't drop me," said Bigelow.



Trying to retrieve the ball from an opponent is Briana Cruz. "I like that basketball is a constant game, and if you make a mistake, the game is too fast paced to let that mistake bring you down," said Cruz.



Running down the court is Julianna Garay. "The practices make you realize the love of the game," said Garay.



Giving the runaround to the other team is Emily Tsika supported by Sara Biskup. "I like feeling unstoppable on the court. I plow through anything or anyone that gets in my way!" said Tsika.



Heading downcourt to the Tigers' side is Courtney Manciaz. "I enjoy all of the practices and hard work we as a team put into this program," said Manciaz.





Searching the court for an opening is Brooke Holzapfel. "I'm in basketball to stay in shape, keep busy, and I like playing in the games," said Holzapfel.



Trying to increase Tidehaven's score is Amber Garcia. "The hardest part is trying to keep up with the game. It is a fast pace game, and it's important to keep up with our opponent," said Garcia.

schedules

THS		OPP
15	Industrial	52
34	Boling	30
17	Hitchcock	60
16	Danbury	52
27	Van Vleck	68
15	Industrial	55
37	Boling	46
26	Hitchcock	66
22	Danbury	55
25	Van Vleck	62

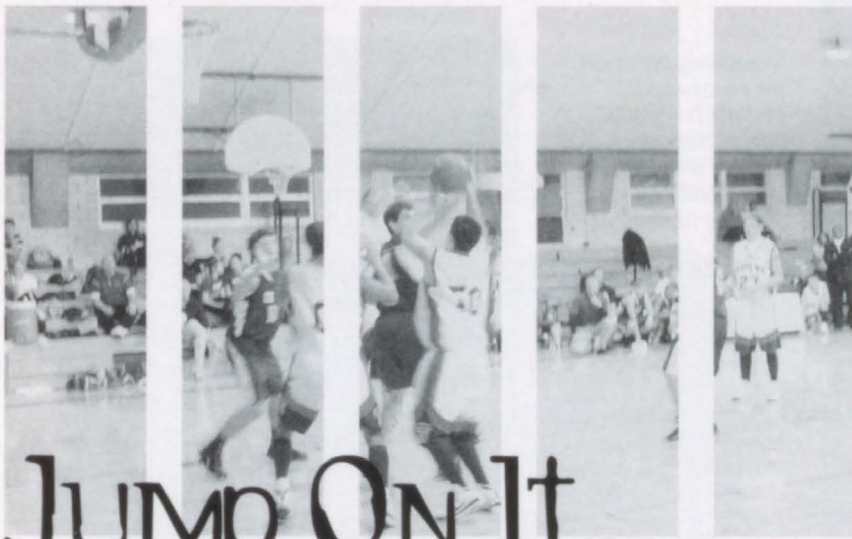
The year proved to be a difficult year for the Lady Tigers. Injuries prevented many of the ten Varsity players from competing in each and every game. With so few players, the Lady Tigers did not win many games, but they proved to be a formidable opponent. Coach Mathys, who has been the fourth coach in four years, tried to encourage the girls to respect the game, themselves, the opponents, and to also work as a team. For the team,

the highlight of the season was when the Lady Tigers won their first and only game of the season against Boling. The girls put in many hours of practice, thought, and dedication for this year's basketball season. Without so much as a thought to giving up, the Lady Tigers finished the season with their pride and dignity still intact. They had played with the right attitude, determination, and effort.

Hoop, There It Is Varsity Gives It Their All

Getting helpful knowledge and tips from the coach is the Girls Varsity Basketball team. "Basketball helps you learn to work with others. You can't win a game without your teammates," said Sara Biskup, far left.





JUMP ON IT... ...Before They Do

Going for the goal is Justin Laslie, supported by Evan Stavinoha. "Keeping your head up when you make a mistake is the hardest part about basketball," said Laslie.



With a total of two wins for the 2008-2009 season, the Tigers found that they should have focused more on the big picture rather than the small details. The season was very traumatic with a lot of negative things floating around the school that did not involve the students but yet had a reflection on their success. Even with the difficulties, the athletes were more determined and practiced harder to get wins throughout the season. The

best moment of the season was when the team pulled out a win over Danbury in overtime. "It was an awesome game," said Cristiano Falcao.

The coaches also aimed to improve the athletes by becoming better students, participants, and competitors. The players also believe the game of basketball teaches values and morals - something everyone should constantly reference and use in their day-to-day lives.

schedules

THS		OPP
43	Hitchcock	94
39	Danbury	36
32	Van Vleck	61
39	Industrial	37
40	Boling	63
35	Hitchcock	76
51	Danbury	56
38	Van Vleck	72
28	Industrial	57
52	Boling	70

Backing basketball holder Demetri Tsika is Colt Clontz. "Knowing that next year I will be even better is what keeps me playing," said Clontz.



Running around an opposing force is Evan Stavinoha. "Practices are easier than the games because Coach Woods doesn't yell at us as much in practices," said Stavinoha.





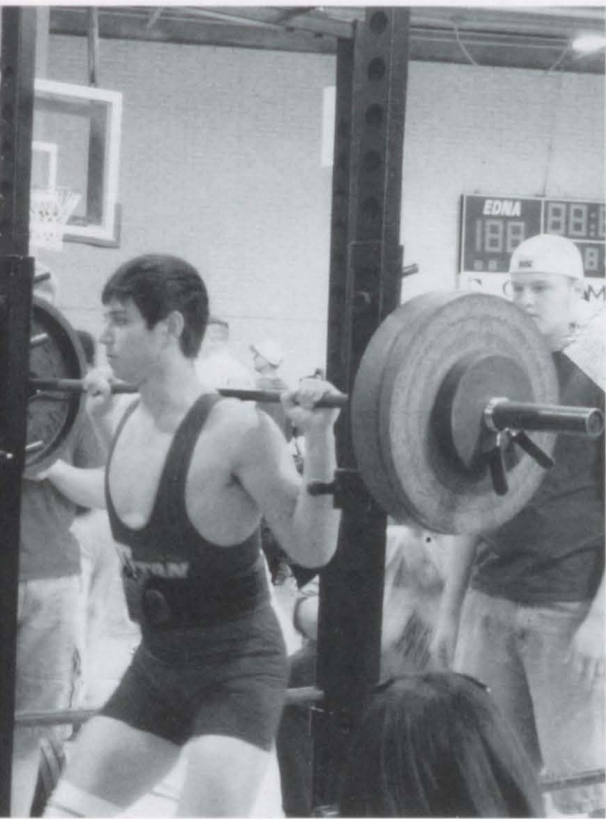
Aiming to add two points to the Tidehaven score is Cristiano Falcao. "It's the practices that get to me. Going to them is my weakness. They are hard, long, and exhausting," said Falcao.

Heading downcourt in a hurry are players Demetri Tsika and Cristiano Falcao. "It's the feeling after winning a hard game that is my favorite part of basketball," said Falcao.

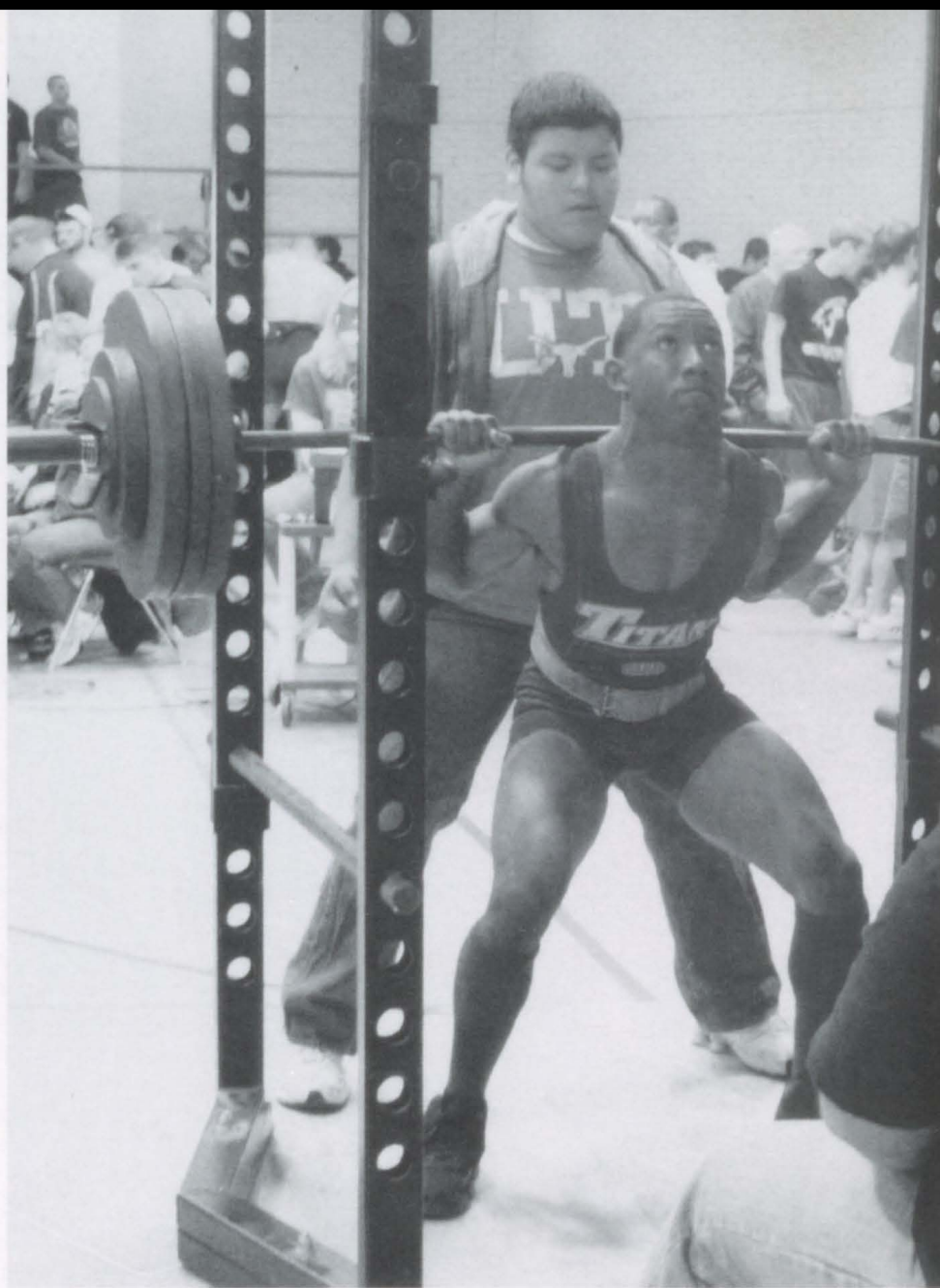


Shooting the ball is Demetri Tsika. "When I walk on to the court at the beginning of a game, I expect to walk off of it at the end with a win," said Tsika.

Giving an opponent the go-around is Ian Wade. "The Boling game was my best game. I dunked and scored a total of 18 points," said Wade.



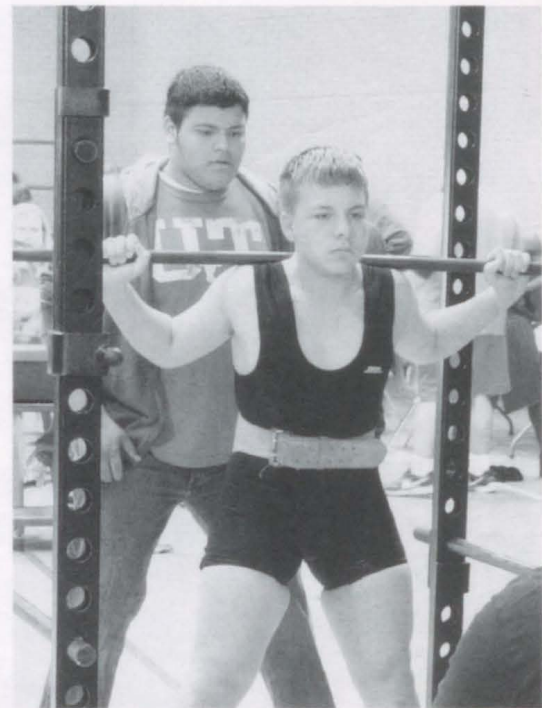
Racking his bar after doing his lift is Joe Lara. "I think that the best part about powerlifting is proving to people that you are the strongest," said Lara.



Nearly completing the dead lift is Ja'Corey Fisher. "Working out on dead lift was the hardest part," said Fisher.



Concentrating hard on her lift is Ashlee Lewis. "The hardest part is having to do weight that you have never done before and trying not to worry or stress about it. Just do it!" said Lewis.



Preparing to squat with the weight is J.J. Vernon. "At the time, my main thoughts were that I had to lift this weight and how bad the suit felt," said Vernon.



Waiting around for more action are Coach Lovelady, Nicole Tovar, Marcus Rocha, Leslie Lopez, Dylan Carillo, and Coach Woods. "When I lift, I get 100% focused on how it is going to feel after I get it, and I never once put it in my head that I will fail," said Carillo.



Respect is Earned ...Not Given

The Tiger Powerlifting teams ended the season with outstanding results. The Boy's team had only four scheduled meets for the season. Two meets were won, and the other two resulted in a second and third place. Ten of the boys qualified for regionals. Of them, Juan Sandoval, Marcus Rocha, Ja'Corey Fisher, and Brandon Nash advanced to the State Competition.

The Girl's team had two, Amber Garcia and Jessica

Neuman qualify for regionals. Both advanced to the State Competition.

The motto for this year was, "Respect is earned, not given," said Coach Lovelady. "Hard work pays off. We had some lifters that worked hard this year, and they got a lot stronger." With a total of six state qualifiers, the Tidehaven Powerlifting team's practice efforts paid off.

"I want to win state," said Marcus Rocha. "That is what inspires me when I am lifting."



Using proper form while lifting is Leslie Lopez. "Powerlifting has taught me that you have to work and train hard in order to win," said Lopez.



Focusing all his strength on the lift is Marcus Rocha. "Meeting and getting to know new people is the best part about powerlifting," said Rocha.

schedules

Meets:
 Louis
 Edna
 Palacios
 Rice Consolidated

Regionals:
 Boys - Anahuac
 Girl - Palacios

State:
 Boys - Abilene
 Girls - Corpus Christi

schedules

Season Meets:

Edna
Palacios
Calhoun
Industrial

District Meet:

Van Vleck

Regional Meet:

Judson H.S., Converse

Reaching for the baton held by Karissa McKissick is Anissa Longoria.

"This sport has shown me that you can compete and still have fun," said Longoria.

Running after being handed the baton from Briana Rozner is Karissa McKissick.

"Track is exciting. You never really know what the outcome is going to be," said McKissick.



Training in track takes time, self-discipline, patience, and heart. You have to give yourself fully to your goal and push yourself to the limit, and sometimes even further.

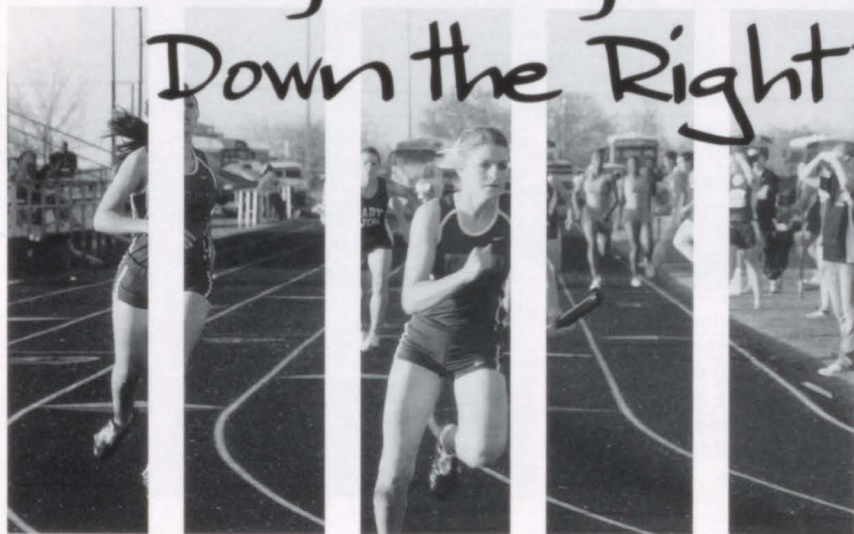
Girls' track is all about training and becoming a better athlete. It also provides the girls with many self-realization opportunities, often helping the athletes to discover something about themselves that they hadn't known before.

As the year progressed,

the drive, stamina, and will improved in the girls. The team competed in six meets, including both district and regional track meets. The Industrial meet resulted in Tidehaven athletes receiving numerous medals and ranking third place overall.

Although this season's weather was not to the team's liking and limited their training time, the participants were able to stay healthy and compete to the best of their abilities.

Taking Longer Strides Down the Right Track



Taking off after Jessica Reyes hands her the baton is Briana Rozner. "The most challenging part about this sport is getting your hand-offs and running against the wind," said Rozner.



Participating in the jumping events at Palacios is Katee Endres. "I've loved jumping all my life, and when they told me there was a sport for it, I had to do it," said Endres.



Relaxing after their events are Briana Rozner, Jessica Reyes, and Karissa McKissick. "My goal in track is to go to regionals at least one time before I graduate," said Reyes, middle.



Running as fast as she can is Emily Tsika. "Sticking with it is the most challenging thing about this sport. I get tired and want to stop, but pushing through to become a better athlete is my goal," said Tsika.

Preparing to make a run to the finish line is Jessica Reyes. "Track has taught me discipline and determination," said Reyes.



Giving the baton to Marcus Lara is Jeffrey Crawford. "Hand offs are the things that challenge me the most," said Crawford.



Sprinting down the track is Josh Galvez, far left. "Track has taught me how to run with proper form," said Galvez.



Handing off to Ian Wade is runner Marcus Lara. "Track is exhilarating. I love when I'm running and my adrenaline is pumping," said Lara.

Readying themselves for the pole vault event are track participants Ross Davant and Josh Galvez. "You need determination because you have to go out there knowing you are going to do good," said Galvez.





Running the relays are Jeffrey Crawford and Josh Galvez. "Winning the race is the hardest part," said Galvez.



Traveling at a fast rate across the track is Marcus Rocha. "Track helps me with other sports, keeps me in shape, and is just fun," said Rocha.

schedules

Season Meets:

Edna
Palacios
Calhoun
Industrial

District Meet:

Van Vleck

Regional Meet:

Judson H.S., Converse

Endurance, strength, will, stamina, and determination. These abilities lay the foundation for each and every athlete. They enable the participants to work and to improve their overall progress.

The boy's track team entered the season with a slow start. When rhythms were established and patterns were learned, the boys began to pick up their pace. This newly found inspiration resulted in an overall ranking of third place for Tidehaven

at the district qualifying meet.

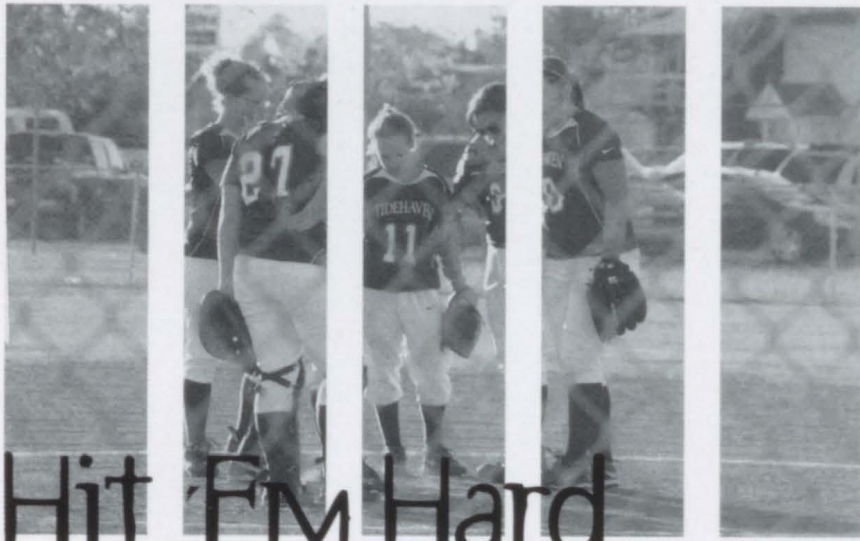
At the regional meet, Tidehaven participated in eleven different events. All athletes ranked in the top twenty, and nine ranked in the top fifteen. The athletes had run faster, thrown farther, and jumped higher than in regular season. "As a coach, I can't ask for more than an athlete achieving his best mark of the year at a championship meet like the regional meet," said Coach Robinson.

Full Speed Ahead

Ready for the Gold

Reaching back to grab the baton from Marcus Lara is Ian Wade. "One goal of mine is to get faster and better times when running," said Wade.





Gathering to discuss their current situation are the Tigerettes. "Softball is awesome. Every minute is exciting. It never gets boring for me," said Sara Biskup, second from left.

Hit 'EM Hard

In the Name of the Game

Softball is not an accurate title given to the sport the Tidehaven Tigerettes played this year. Along with many hours of practice and games, these young ladies had to also devote time to get the right mentality. It seemed as though injuries plagued the team from start to finish, hindering their performance even more.

With four wins for the season, the Tigerettes finished with their heads held high.

Bruises were made and blood was shed, all in the name of the game. The ladies fought with every fiber of their being and didn't throw in the towel until the game was called.

To be successful out on the field, your teamwork has to work. These athletes had to learn how to work together even through their differences. They also had to make sure their class work was solid in order to be allowed to practice and play the games.

schedules

THS		OPP
1	Industrial	16
7	Hitchcock	2
0	Danbury	16
0	Van Vleck	10
0	Industrial	17
23	Boling	20
16	Boling	15
16	Hitchcock	13
0	Van Vleck	13
2	Danbury	12

Chasing down the ball after it unfortunately slipped past her is player Brooke Holzapfel. "Softball has taught me to be a team player and to have discipline and dedication to myself," said Holzapfel.



Sliding to home plate is Jessica Neuman. "To play softball you need concentration. You have to be in it the whole time, even when you're just waiting for something to happen," said Neuman.





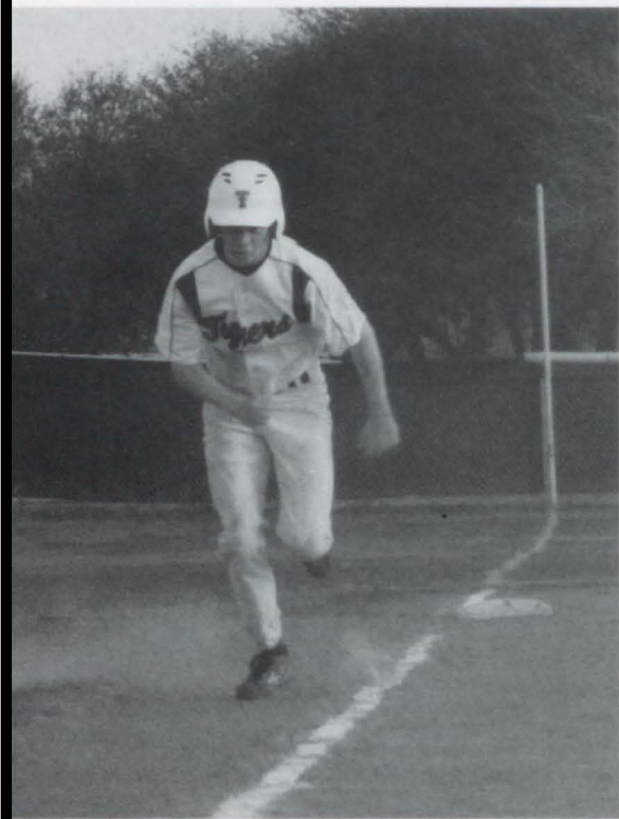
Completing some fancy footwork with the ball still in her glove is Briana Cruz. "I want to play in college and coach this sport after that. I want softball to remain in my life forever," said Cruz.

Pitching with intensity is senior Tiffany Perez. "Softball has taught me to keep going. It has also taught me that when I get down, let it go and work harder," said Perez.



Swinging with more force than expected is Brittney Nash. "What's hard about softball is having a full count and know that you have to swing," said Nash.

Stretching for the softball is Chelsea Perez. "The hardest part is trying to make a good hit when the bases are loaded and everybody is counting on you," said Perez.



Running fast towards home plate is Chade Joines. "Baseball is challenging. Once you take the field, it is a whole new ballgame. You never know the outcome until the end," said Joines.

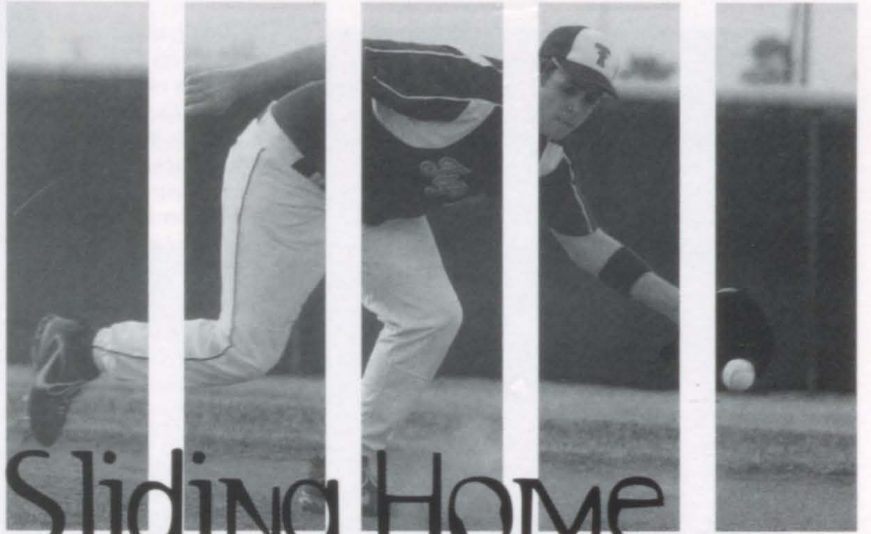
Analyzing the game going on is Jordan Taska, Coach Garcia, and Chade Joines. "I participate in this sport because I love playing baseball. I've also been playing since I was six," said Taska



Swinging the bat with all of his might is Adam Webernich. "I enjoy playing baseball, and Coach Garcia is cool," said Webernich.



Making a fast play are players Jordan Taska, Mitchell Carillo, and Adam Webernich. "The bus trips home from away games are my favorite memories," said Webernich.



Keeping his eye on the approaching ball is Mitchell Carrillo. "The most frustrating aspect of baseball is knowing that your team is better than the competition and not coming out with the win," said Carrillo.

Sliding Home Working Towards the Win

Skill and ability is a very relevant part of baseball. These important details determine an athlete's status in the baseball world. They separate the best from the good and help discover the potential of the athlete. The one with the controlled arm is the pitcher, and the one with the best hand-eye coordination is the catcher. Baseball has its own chaotic system and order.

Ten district games were played during this season. Of

these, two had innings added to determine a winner, with Tidehaven taking one of the wins.

The athletes worked hard and played hard this year, and they let their opponents know that they had the potential to do something great.

Little was left unsaid when the players walked off of the field each and every game. They played their best and showed the crowd what they had been coached.



Pitching the ball to the opposing team is Michael Alvarado. "Striking out a Danbury player will probably be one thing I won't forget," said Alvarado.



The athletes observe the opponents during warm-up. "Everybody on this team was close, just like a family," said Marcus Lara, far right.

schedules

THS		OPP
4	Hitchcock	2
2	Danbury	19
13	Van Vleck	1
3	Industrial	11
3	Boling	2
2	Hitchcock	10
2	Danbury	12
4	Van Vleck	7
3	Industrial	7
8	Boling	9

schedules

Season Tournaments:

West Columbia
Sweeny
Boling
Ganado
Palacios

District Tournament:

Rio Colorado

Regional Tournament:

San Marcos

Being watched carefully by Chade Joines is senior Yanessa Longoria. "Golf was exciting this year. I got to meet new people and see a lot of different places," said Longoria.



Viewing and analyzing their playing course are golfers Jordan Taska-Genzer, Chade Joines, and Patrick Crawford. "I play for a simple reason. I like to play it," said Crawford.



The 2009 golf team used their minds to overcome the courses that challenged them this season. When it comes to golf, having a selective short memory is actually a positive thing. They try to forget the bad shots and focus on what they can do. They establish a link to the course and play it; not the other players.

With so much mental work, the players need something to ground them. They used the motto, "Grip it and rip it," this year to achieve

their goals.

Teams in the past years, although good, had never advanced to the Regional Tournament. This year, Tidehaven was proud to send two players. The two players were senior Yanessa Longoria, who placed first in district and junior Chade Joines.

Golf can be used to describe upcoming challenges for the real world - ups, downs, the happiness and disappointments. Life will have these too.

Swinging Sensations

Grip it & Rip it



Warming up in front of Patrick Crawford and Kole Mitchell is Chade Joines. "I like playing a sport where it's just me, no pressure, concentrating on my game," said Joines.



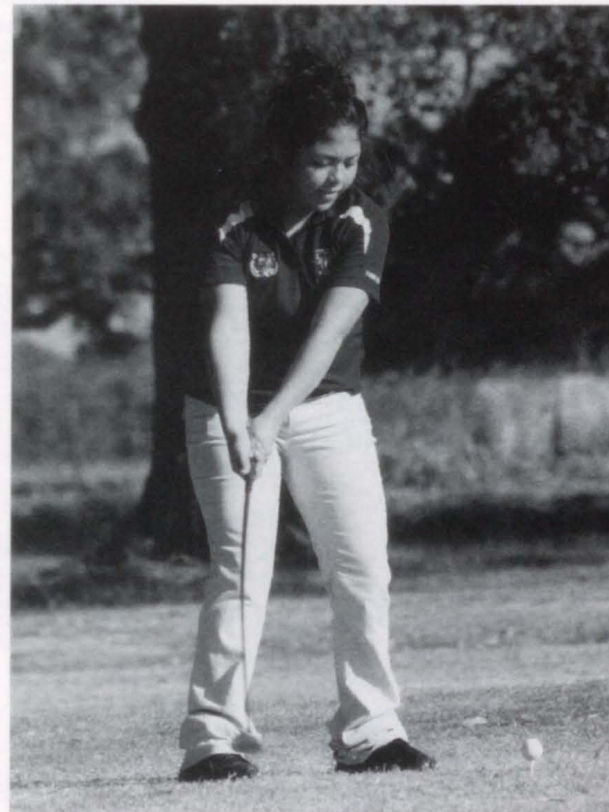
Putting the ball into the hole is Chade Joines. "My ultimate goal in golf is to eventually shoot an even par," said Joines.

Sizing up the competition are Chade Joines and Yanessa Longoria. "The most challenging part of golf for me is the putting because I'm not good at it," said Yanessa.



Trying to hit her ball out of the water is Daniela Palomarez. "I learned not to get the ball into the water because I will never get it out!" said Palomarez.

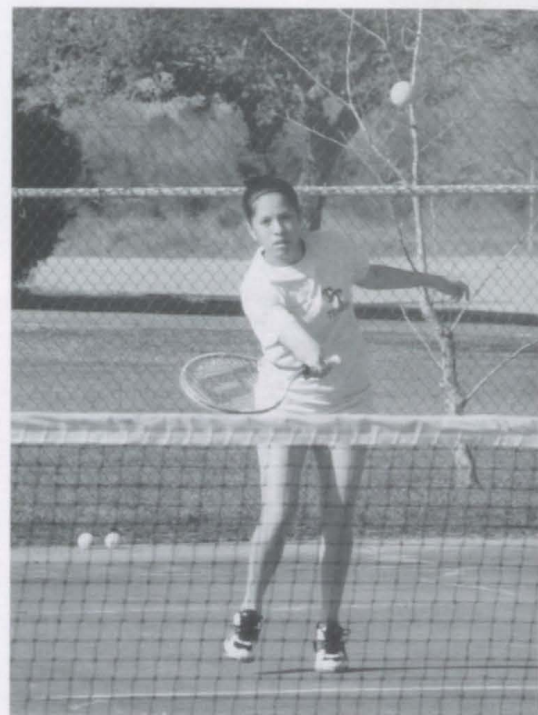
Concentrating on her game is Angelica Palomares. "I'm trying to reach a goal. Hopefully by the end of high school I can score less than a 110," said Palomares.



Serving it up is newcomer Aaron Fisher. "I set a goal this year. I was aiming to win district because I was a rookie at playing tennis," said Fisher.



Getting into the game mentally and physically is Anissa Longoria. "Tennis is one of the sports that just called to me, so I had to play," said Longoria.



Running to hit the tennis ball back across the net is Jimmy Ray Leatherwood. "Tennis is fun. It also helps to relax me when I need it," said Leatherwood.

Attempting to return the ball to the other side is Briana Rozner. "Getting the ball over the net is the most challenging part of tennis," said Rozner.





Only a few strides ahead of her competition, junior high athlete, Nikki West, runs for the finish line. "This sport taught me how to work hard and to never give up," said West.



Starting in the middle of the group is Amber Garcia, third from left. "My favorite memory was all the times that Coach Robinson would yell for us and then run with us while still trying to yell 'Let's go!'," said Garcia.

schedules

Cross Country:

Calhoun
Needville
Bay City
Bloomington
District - Bay City

Tennis:

Bay City
Palacios
Industrial
District - West
Columbia

Cross Country:

Training is an important part of cross country. It determines your success, and it reveals the drive you have for actually competing in the sport.

This year, the cross country team, comprised of four members, trained hard to prove themselves as determined athletes. Senior Amber Garcia finished second at the district meet and advanced to the regional meet, where she placed in the top quartile.

"Cross country is a tough sport but it is also a lot more fun than it looks!" said Coach Robinson.

Tennis:

Practice is what makes a good tennis player. You have to be able to get on the courts regularly and play.

The Tidehaven tennis team had a hard season. Starting with inexperienced players, the team had a lot to learn. With few meets and limited practice time, the participants tried their best. Cristiano Falcao Neto did place fourth at the district tournament.

Wake Up and Run

Serving it Up

Just running, running, running is participant Cristiano Falcao Neto.

"Cross country is tiring because we have to run three miles," said Neto.



Athletic Awards

Female MVP

Amber Garcia

Male MVP

Evan Stavinoha

T.J. Foster Fighting Heart Award

J.J. Vernon &
Joseph Woodson



Girls Basketball
MVP: Emily Tsika
Most Improved: Amber Garcia

Boys Basketball
MVP: Ian Wade
Most Improved: Colt Clontz

Powerlifting
MVP Girls: Jessica Neuman
MVP Boys: Marcus Rocha

Football

MVP: JaCorey Fisher
Most Improved: Sean Dannels

Volleyball

MVP: Shawnette Woods
Most Improved: Madison Clontz

Cross Country

MVP: Amber Garcia
Most Improved:
Cristiano Falcao Neto

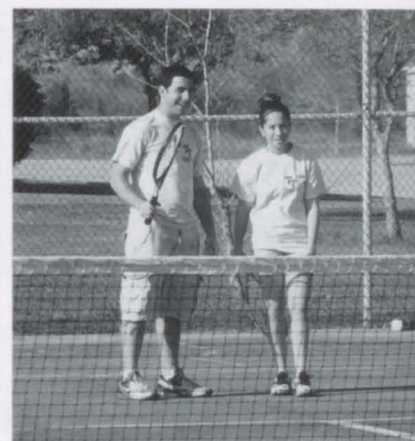
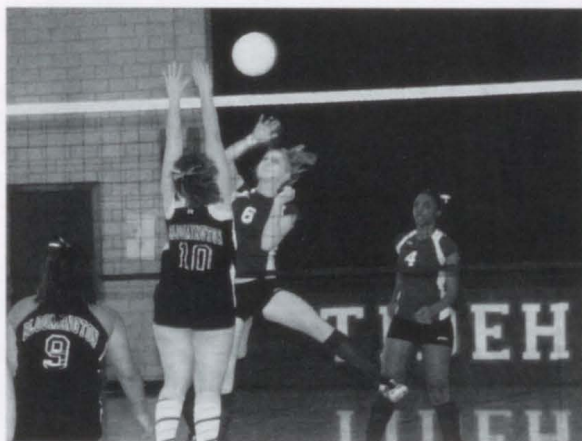


Golf

MVP Girls: Yanessa Longoria
MVP Boys: Chade Joines

Track & Field

MVP: Amber Garcia & Emily Tsika
Most Improved: Jessica Reyes
MVP: Daniel Palomares
Most Improved: Jeffrey Crawford



Tennis

MVP: Cristiano Falcao Neto

Softball

MVP: Briana Cruz
Most Improved: Brooke Holzapfel

Baseball

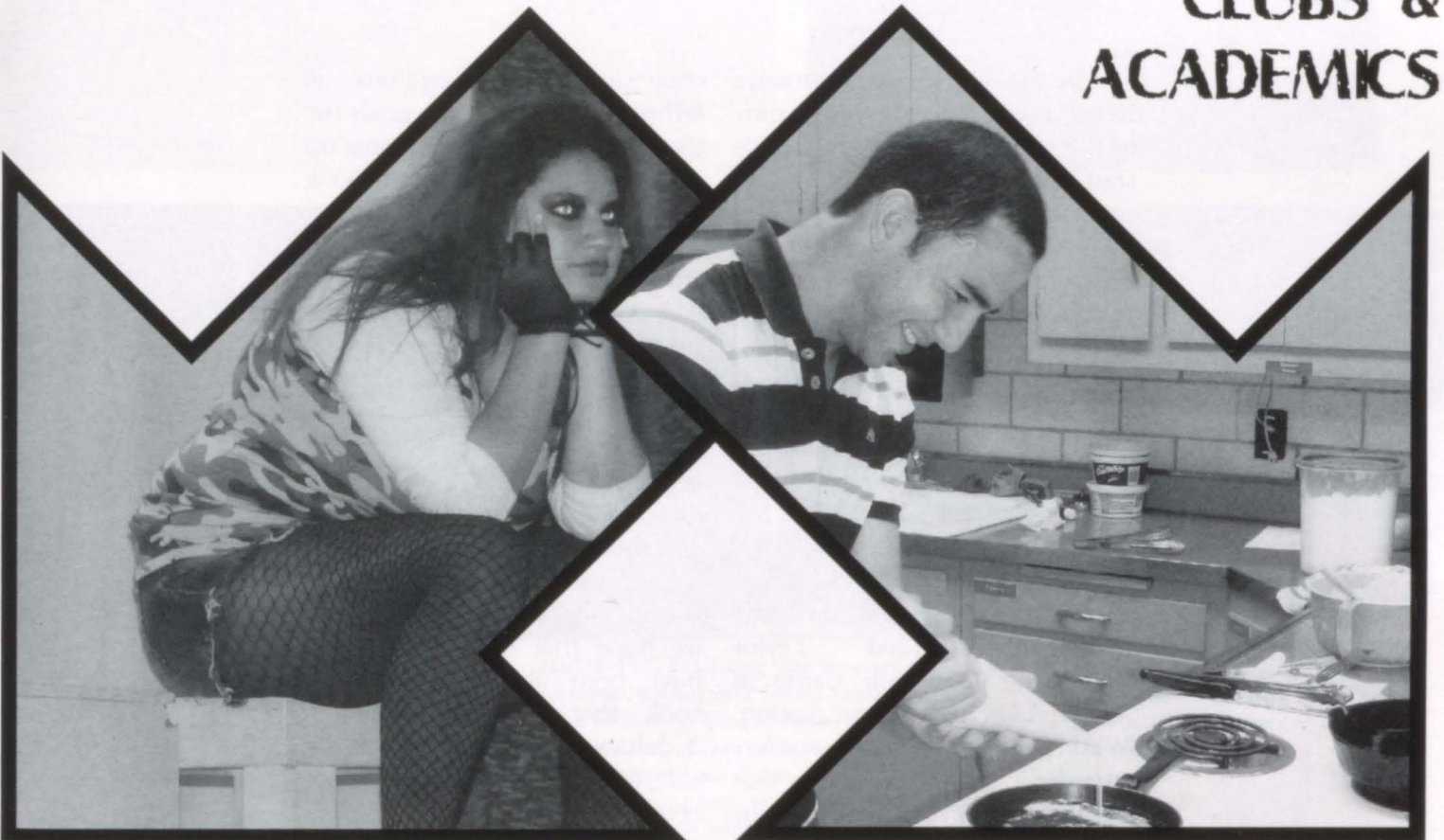
MVP: Jordan Taska-Genzer
Most Improved: Chade Joines





FINDING INVOLVEMENT

CLUBS &
ACADEMICS





You want it... we got it...

Working to raise money for the yearbook are seniors Robert Sanchez and Raquel Picon. "Concession stand is fun. When we're not cracking jokes, we were actually serving people," said Sanchez.

Order up! Showing a friendly smile are Ashlee Lewis and Robert Sanchez. "I liked concession stand because it's really easy and your friends don't give you too much of a hard time if you forget how to count!" said Lewis.

Gig'em... Having a little fun at yearbook camp is senior Raquel Picon. "I learned not to be shy when it comes to meeting new people because they can be nice and crazy just like you... and from that, I made two friends who were dormed next door to us on the last night we stayed on campus. By the way, I'm not an Aggies fan." said Picon.

This one time... IN OUR YEARBOOK

In the old home economics living room that is now known as the yearbook room, this year's staff put in many hours to produce a chronicle of memories from throughout the year. Four hard-working individuals strived each day during seventh period to complete another successful yearbook for the entire student body. Each person was assigned multiple different pages that they were responsible for completing.

All of the hard work started in the summer when the staff members attended Taylor Publishing Yearbook Camp at Texas A&M in College Station. While at camp, the staffers attended many sessions that dealt with everything from body

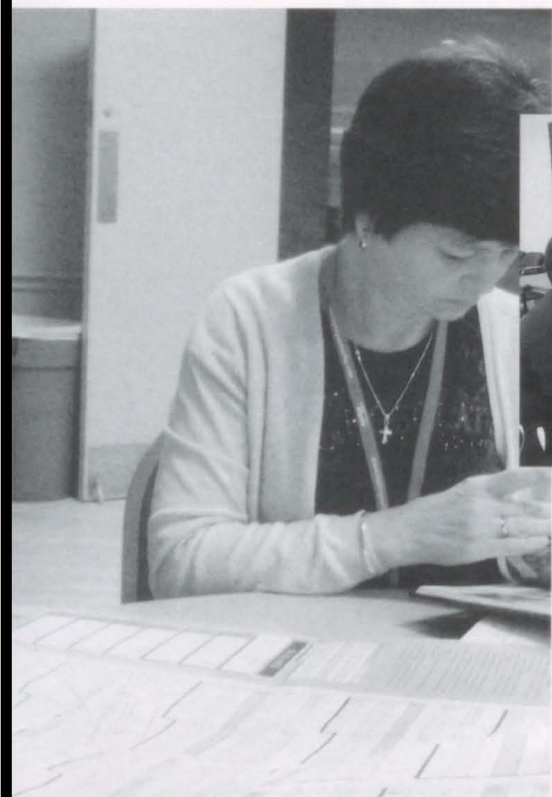
copy to writing captions to selling ads. One of the goals for the staff at camp was to come up with a theme for the yearbook and then design a cover. Thinking of how strangers always 'wonder' where Tidehaven is and how we, as students, 'wonder' where we are and what we are doing at times, the staff agreed on the theme of 'Finding Tidehaven'. Using arrows to represent the different directions we are always going and then pointing at Tidehaven, a cover artist designed the cover for our book. As staff members, we hope that in some way we have been able to produce a book that students and the Tidehaven community will be able to enjoy for many years to come.





Hmmm... Making sure everything is cropped at the right angle is Nicole Tovar. "I did not like cropping pictures because it was a pain. Sometimes I had to pick a completely different picture than the one I wanted to use, just because the picture wouldn't fit the angle!" said Tovar.

Crop it up... Cropping pictures for the yearbook is senior Raquel Picon. "I'm sad knowing that I won't be back next year. I've been in yearbook for 2 years and when your on the yearbook staff, it is like a close family. We had good times and bad. I'm going to miss it all," said Picon.



MaStErPiEcE!!! Sitting with the cover artist are yearbook staff members Robert Sanchez, Ashlee Lewis, Nicole Tovar, and Raquel Picon. "It was cool because we put all our ideas together to come out with a "masterpiece!" said Picon.

Notes... Writing notes so she can learn some new tricks for the yearbook is Raquel Picon "I learned that, in a yearbook, the goal is to get as much coverage as possible. Camp was fun because the staff had different personalities and it was fun getting to know them," said Picon.



Picture time...Working hard to finish cropping pictures for the yearbook pages are Nicole Tovar and Ashlee Lewis. "Cropping pictures is fun because it is super easy, unless you have a difficult picture or degree of cropping" said Lewis.

Standing tall...During a halftime performance, Drum Major Emily Tsika directs the Tiger Pride band. "I'm going to miss being at every football game and cheering the Tigers on" said Tsika.

Going Solo...Playing the trumpet for the Tiger Pride band during a halftime routine is Grayson Huffman. "The hardest part about band is memorizing music and being on time for practice" said Huffman.



Flipping the flag...During halftime, Jennifer Cortez keeps a smile while performing the routine. "The hardest part about band was marching and flipping the flag at the same time" said Cortez.



Waiting...Between songs, band members Grayson Huffman, Daniel Olvera, Kaleb Mink, and Crystal Wade 'pose' for the photographer. "The hardest part about band was the frequent replaying of songs," said Olvera.

To the beat...In step are Lucas Carillo, Bradley Jackson and JJ Vernon during a halftime show. "As a senior, I am going to miss the trips to different schools," said Jackson.



With the beat...Getting the Tigers pumped up during a pep rally are drummers Kaleb Mink and Jimmy Leatherwood. "The hardest part was learning new music," said Leatherwood.

In harmony...Playing the clarinet during a pep rally are Jennifer Cortez and Kate Steffek. "My favorite part was the marching," said Steffek.

Half time...Not having enough time after her game, Alejandra Espinoza preforms the halftime routine in her volleyball uniform. How would Alejandra describe band in only one word? "Supercalafragalisticespialadocious!"



Stride With Pride

WORK HARD, PLAY HARDER

With practice comes perfection...Long, sweaty hours spent on the practice field and still more hours rehearsing in the band hall gave the Tiger musicians the confidence, knowledge and ability to perform their best. Did the hard work pay off? Definitely! For the second straight year, the Tiger Pride band received the Sweepstakes title after earning first division ratings in all marching, concert and sightreading competitions. This is the fifth time in Tidehaven history for a band to make sweepstakes.

On an individual basis,

several band members qualified for the all-region band. Those musicians included Matthew Elledge, Bradley Jackson and Grayson Huffman. In the UIL solo and ensemble competition, Lucas Carrillo, Caleb Mink and Jerome Vernon performed solos. Bobbie Palmer, Bradley Jackson, Matthew Elledge and Grayson Huffman competed in the ensemble division.

After the long, busy and rewarding year ended, the band recognized all of its members for a great job during the annual banquet.



With new Ag science teachers/advisers, the FFA chapter experienced many changes. New advisers meant new attitudes and a new outlook for the future of the club.

Throughout the year, members participated in leadership events, judging contests, conventions and camps. Three members attended the National Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana and fourteen members attended a three day judging trip. During the three day trip, members went to judging competitions at Tarleton State University, Stephenville; Texas State University, San Marcos; and a judging clinic at Texas A&M, College Station. Each event was an exciting learning

experience for the members involved.

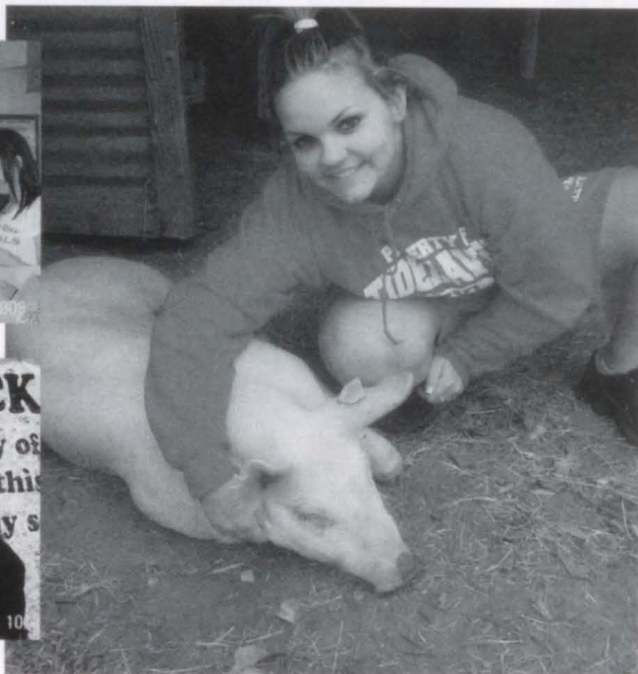
The club continued to host the Greenhand camp for new members from Palacios, East Bernard, El Campo and Edna. During camp, games focused on trust, teamwork, and goal-setting.

FFA also participated in Stock the Stock Trailer by collecting canned goods for needy families, exhibiting animals at the Matagorda County Fair and competing in the fair's Academic Rodeo. For the second consecutive year, the Academic team brought home top honors.

As the club concluded this year, they continued to set future goals with an increase in their community service efforts.



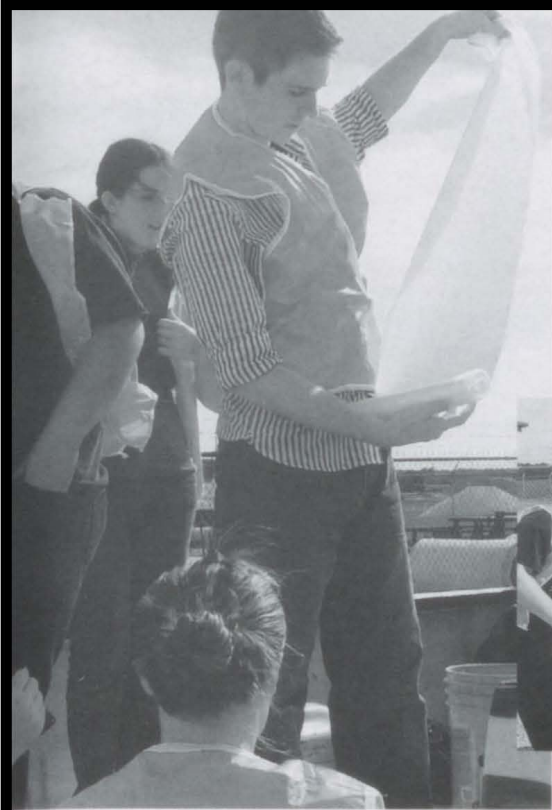
WE'RE MORE THAN PLOWS AND STEERS Not Just Your Average Farmers...



Nachos anyone??? Working concession stand are freshmen Karissa McKissick and Nicholas Aparicio "Working was fun but you were always in a hurry, especially during half time!" said McKissick.

FFA CLICKS! Pledging their commitment to always wearing their seatbelt are FFA members Crystal Harvey and Keli King. "Indianapolis was so fun. I liked eating all of the different foods and meeting new people," said King.

Oink Oink... FFA member Shelbie Dreymla shows off her pig, Buttercup, that she was raising for the county fair. "I was very nervous because it was my first year and I never thought I was going to make the sale," said Dreymla.

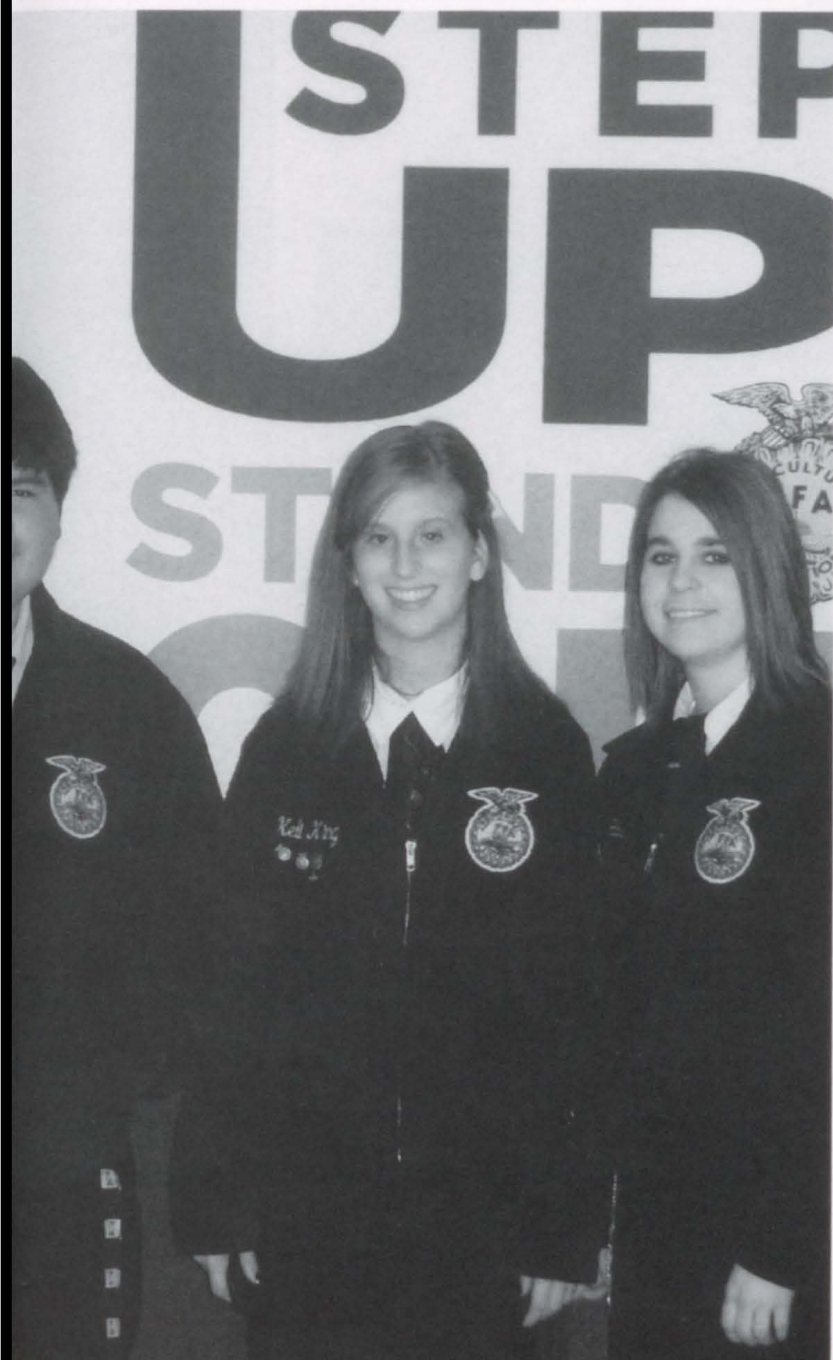


Trash bag anyone??? President Reid Alley hands out trash bags for everyone to get started on the highway clean up project. Also helping out are Nick Aparicio and Brianna Rozner. "This was hard work but still fun because I was spending time with my friends," said Rozner.

Orange is the new black...Stopping for a quick picture before they get back to cleaning the roadside are FFA members Luis Lule, Rachel Sturgis, Jessica Neuman, Kirby Hickl, Reid Alley, Crystal Harvey, Nick Aparicio, Brianna Rozner, and Karissa McKissick. "Being in FFA has shown me that you can work hard and still have fun," said Alley.



OHOO YEAHHH! Taking a picture at the National Convention with the Kool-aid man and Cheesosaurus rex are Ms. Franzen, Crystal Harvey, Keli King, and Luis Lule. "This was my first time on an airplane and also being out of Texas. The flight was uneventful even though I was more nervous on the take-off than the landing. It felt like a roller coaster ride," said Harvey.



Pickin' it up...Freshmen Brianna Rozner and Karissa McKissick pay their duties to FFA by assisting with cleaning up trash on the side of the highway. "I have learned responsibility and showmanship from being in FFA," said Rozner.

All dressed up and ready to go... In their official FFA uniforms, Luis Lule, Keli King and Crystal Harvey take a picture at the National Convention. "I have learned a lot of things from FFA, mainly responsibility and being responsible for my actions" said Lule.

Another knot...Finishing off another baby blanket, Daniela Palomarez clips the extra yarn from a knot.

"I got pretty good at the blankets because I could finish one faster than anyone else!" said Palomarez.

Time and patience...Taking time on a Saturday, Victoria Rodriguez, Chasity Martinez and Mrs. Yoxtheimer fill cookie pans with dough during the annual Valentine cookie sales. "I didn't mind making the cookies because I got to hear all of the latest gossip," said Martinez.

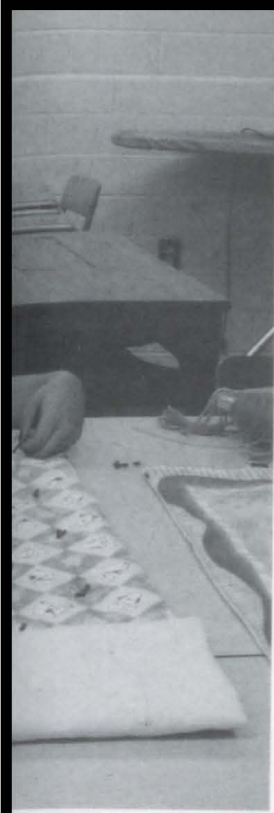
Helping others...Getting their present wrapped, Angie Bigelow and Amber MAYER work together. "My favorite thing about FCCLA is that we help out others who need help," said Bigelow.



Tying the bow...While putting yarn on the baby blankets for the Women's Crisis Center, Chasity Martinez and Chelsea Briones work together efficiently. "FCCLA is fun because we are always doing something interesting," said Briones.

Wrap it up... With Elizabeth Vick keeping a close watch, Jessica Blanton wraps a plastic box with Christmas paper. "It's fun to help others and when we sent the Christmas boxes to needy children, I really felt like I had made a difference," said Blanton.





Everyone can do something to help the world become a better place. That is what the Tidehaven chapter of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America tried to do during this school year.

For the FCCLA's first project, members chose a child who's age ranged from two to fourteen. Then they shopped for items for that child. After wrapping a shoebox with Christmas paper, the members filled the boxes with the items they had purchased. These boxes were taken to a drop-off location in Port Lavaca as a part of the Operation Christmas Child project. Each year, these boxes are delivered to children in under-developed countries who do not get to experience the joy and fun

of Christmas that many of us take for granted.

For the eighth consecutive year, several members sewed and tacked fourteen baby quilts to donate to the Women's Crisis Center in Bay City. There, they will be used as comfort for small children in desperate situation.

The FCCLA club used the money raised from their annual Valentine cookie sales to fund their projects. In this, the 23rd year, the club decided to increase the price of the cookies from \$1.50 to \$2.00 each. This was the only price increase in the history of the club's sales and the members were able to sell 1583 cookies. A portion of this money was used for the annual end-of-school trip to Schlitterbahn in Galveston.

A Helping Hand MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Shoeboxes...Using all four hands, Kaitlin Sanchez and Edith Guerra wrap a shoebox in preparation for the Operation Christmas Child project.

"Making these presents was my favorite part about FCCLA because we are helping others less fortunate," said Sanchez.

Help for the Helpless...While making baby blankets for the Women's Crisis Center, Angelique Bigelow ties knots on the blanket.

"FCCLA was fun because of the projects we did," said Bigelow.

Can't get any better... Volunteering his time and labor, Robert Sanchez works on a baby blanket. "My favorite part about FCCLA is the social interaction and cool things we do," said Sanchez.





Cheesin'! Posing for a group picture after a long trip to Houston are FCA members. "I enjoy being a part of FCA because every meeting we have makes me into a better person!" said Julianna Garay (front, second from left).

Stunna Shades On! Hanging out in the campus convenience store at Rice University before a football game is senior Katee Endres. "FCA is cool because you're learning not just one, but two things; God and sports!" said Endres.

Game Time! Waiting for the game to start, Shawnette Woods, Julianna Garay, Jessica Neuman, Marcus Rocha, Katee Endres, and Evan Stavinoha watch pre-game drills. "FCA shows me how to be closer to God through sports," said Neuman.

Faith Binds

THE HEART & SOUL IN SPORTS

Most people have at least heard of FCA, but some of them can't really say for sure what it is all about. The Fellowship of Christian Athletes is the largest Christian campus ministry in the world.

FCA's purpose, at its absolute core, is to combine people's passion for sports with their passion for Christ, and teach them that those two worlds don't have to be separate. FCA wants to give meaning to the athletic nature that all of us are born with and use it for something that stretches beyond sports. Since 1954, FCA has been challenging coaches and athletes to use the powerful medium of athletics to impact the world for Jesus Christ.

At Tidehaven, both high school and junior high campuses are certified to hold Huddle meetings and participate in sponsored events. This year, the club participated in three rally day events which included two football games at Rice University and one Houston Rockets basketball game. The club also had 'Field of Faiths,' which is an event held on the campus football field. The members are given an opportunity to gather for prayer in an event similar to 'Prayer at the Pole'.

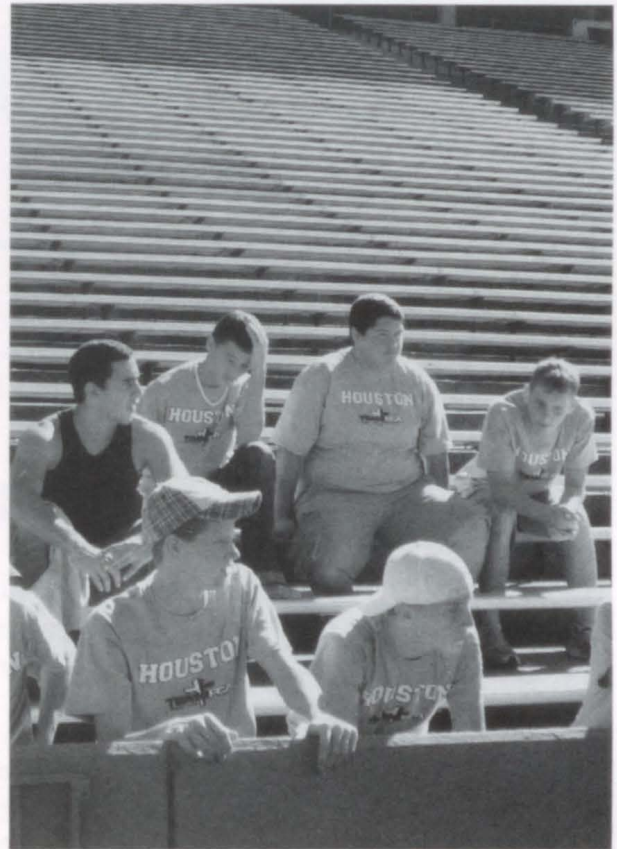
The adults on Tidehaven campuses that have been cleared as huddle leaders are coaches Shawn Woods, J.J. Woods, Tamika Thiergood and Karen Vickers.





Warmups... Watching the teams warm up before the game are members Katee Endres, Marcus Rocha, Julianna Garay, Brian Biskup, Jacob Krenek, and Eddie Flores. "From FCA, I have learned that a positive attitude is always good." said Rocha.

Are you ready for some football?!?! Sitting back, waiting for the game to start are Cristiano Falcao Neto, Brian Biskup, Dylan Neme, Dylan Carrillo and Jacob Krenek. "I was waiting for the game to start and wondering where they found those good-looking cheerleaders!" said Carrillo.



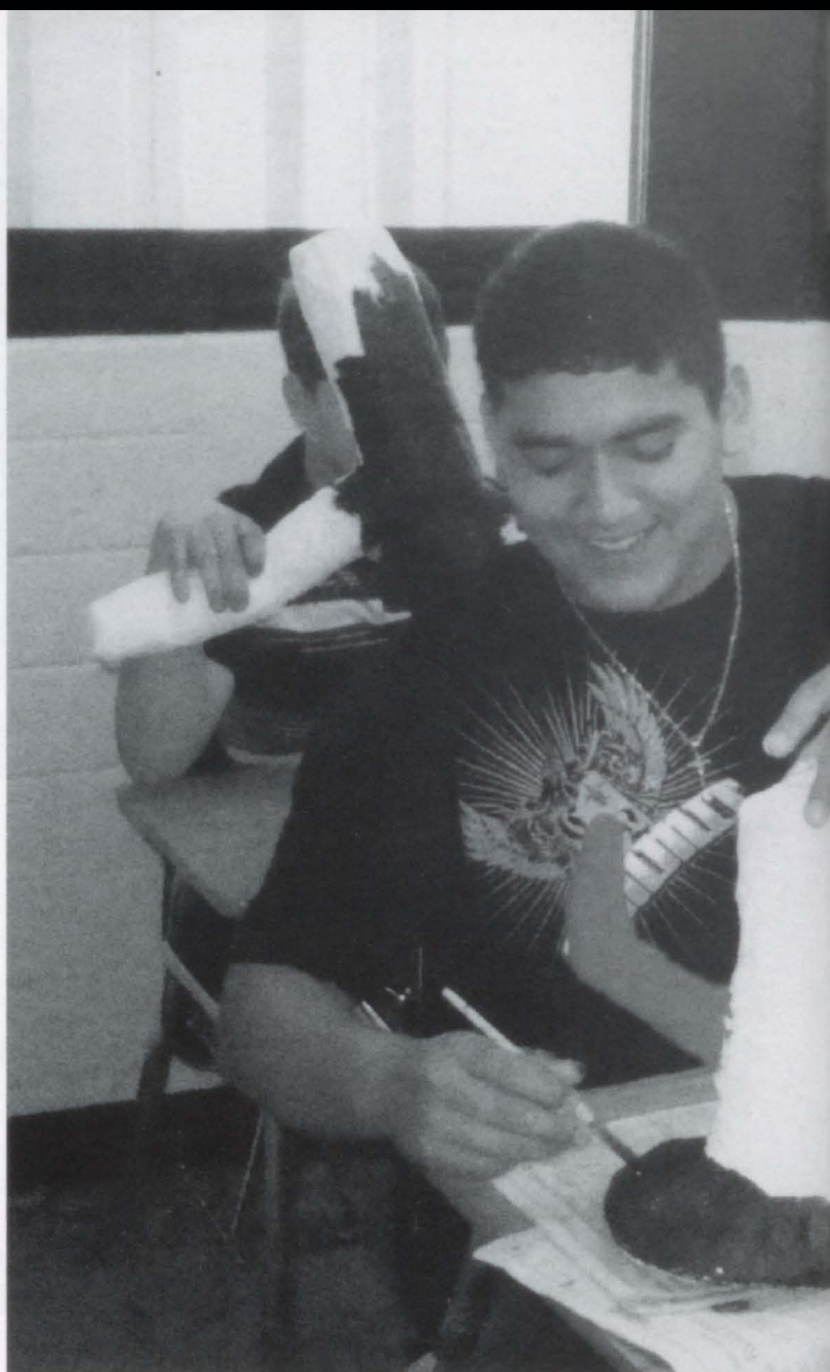
In the locker room... Posing with a Rice jersey is senior Shawnette Woods. "It was cool because when you walked in the locker room, the rush of the atmosphere before the game excited you!" said Woods. One Goal.... Champions... taking a picture with a trophy in the Rice University football locker room are the FCA club members. "It was fun to be able to go on the numerous trips sponsored by FCA," said Eddie Flores, second from right.



Group Picture! Pictured with their Gold Medal Huddle banner are a large majority of the FCA members. "While being in FCA, I have learned to come together as a family and to always stick together" said C.J. Lampkin (front left).

Fun with paints...Finishing his cactus in Theatre art class, Gustabo Sandoval is painting his cactus red and green. "My favorite memory for theatre art is when we all went to the Renaissance Festival," said Sandoval.

Action...Starring in the one-act play, Lucas Carrillo and Amber Garcia act out a scene from the play, 'Quazimodo'. "My favorite part about drama is the acting," said Carrillo.



Plastered up...Working on their cactus, Madison Clontz, Kourtney McKissick and Katee Endres apply plaster tape to the frames. "My favorite part about theatre art is all of our class discussions. They were fun and interesting!" said Endres.



Just keep swimming...Making a pageant wagon in theatre arts, Kourtney McKissick is making her project 'Finding Nemo'. "I liked making the cactus. I made mine into Gumby but for some reason I thought he was blue (instead of green). Everyone laughed and called him Dumby," said McKissick.

Hanging on Stage...Performing in Quazimodo, Greyson Huffman, Reid Alley, and Amber Garcia act out the hanging scene. "The most difficult part of acting is being convincing about the role you are portraying," said Alley.



Plaster and paste... Making a Viking's hat, Jessica Neuman prepares the plaster for application. "My favorite theatre art activity would be watching 'Whose Line Is It Anyway's?' and then trying to do the skits ourselves," said Neuman.

Not a move... In her part as Gudule, Candis Sexton sits as still as a stone. "It isn't difficult for me to get in character, but putting the whole play together is the most difficult," said Sexton.

Finishing... While painting her cactus, Chelsea Perez tries hard not to get paint everywhere. "It was entertaining to watch the videos of our monologues and see how badly we messed up," said Perez.



Live on Center Stage

WORKING BEHIND THE SCENES

One-Act Play...

Using a modern version of a classic story, the Tidehaven troupe performed 'Quazimodo!' for UIL competition. Quazimodo (Grayson Huffman), the deformed bell-ringer of Notre Dame, loves the beautiful gypsy dancer, Esmeralda (Amber Garcia) who does not know he exists. When she is framed for the murder of her lover (Lucas Carrillo), Quazimodo rescues her and takes her to the south tower of Notre Dame where they live with his two gargoyles, Paquette (Nicole Morales) and Gudule (Candis Sexton). Esmeralda begins to trust Quazimodo, but, eventually the Archdeacon (Reid Alley) of Notre Dame permits the Parisians to hang the girl. Consumed by grief, Quazimodo crawls into her grave to die. The gargoyles are left alone on the tower, passive observers of the destiny of France.

Theatre Arts & Design...

Behind every successful play or theatre production is a crew that makes the event run smoothly. In the theatre classes, students learn every aspect from acting on the stage to building props for plays.

The classes stay busy with many projects. Class members design and create miniature displays of scenes from various movies. A favorite activity of the classes are to watch 'Whose Line Is It Anyway's?' and then do their own impromptu skits. They also participate in duet acting and monologues. For a final semester grade, the class members have to act in a play that was written, produced and designed by the class.

National Honor Society: it is not only students who make good grades but help out in the community as well.

Being a NHS member is something a student should be proud of. NHS members have to partake in various activities like the annual blood drive, helping out with after-school activities (the Choir's Valentine dinner and the Senior Serve dinner), the Blessing American Legion Auxiliary Easter egg hunt, and the Matagorda Adopt-A-Beach cleanup. These are some of the many ways for members

to accomplish their NHS duties because all members are required to do five hours of volunteer service each semester. This service can be completed through their community, school, or church.

On May 20th, the NHS traveled to Gordon Ranch Conference Center in Richmond, Texas to attend the annual Mid-Coast NHS Association Convention. Approximately 400 Gulf Coast area high school NHS students from twelve school districts get together each spring for this event.



Making it count

LEARNING THE VALUE OF HARD WORK



Sitting pretty...Waiting for the induction ceremony to begin are seniors Kirby Hickl, Madison Clontz, Katee Endres and Juan Sandoval. "NHS has lead me to a better and brighter future. It's an honor to be in NHS, knowing your hard work has paid off!" said Endres.

Girls just wanna have fun... NHS junior girls Jessica Reyes, Leslie Lopez, Keli King, Brooke Holzapfel, Sara Biskup, and Shelbee Garay get together for a quick picture. "Knowing that I'm in NHS makes me want to keep working hard to maintain a high grade point average," said Holzapfel.

SNACK TIME! Enjoying the snacks, members get a chance to chat and catch up with each other after the induction ceremony. "Being in NHS is a rewarding experience for all the hard work I've done academically," said Junior Shelbee Garay.

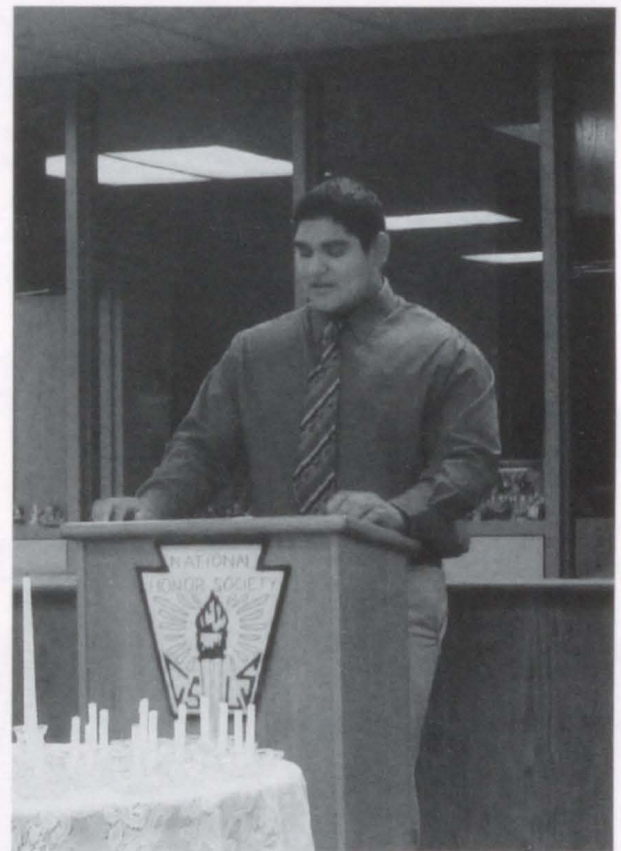


Sweets! For the refreshments after the induction ceremony, senior Emily Tsika hands her dish to NHS Adviser, Mrs. Gurecky. "To me, being in NHS means being a good citizen and doing community service," said Tsika.

What an HONOR... Serving as officers for the school year were Kirby Hickl, Emily Tsika, Juan Sandoval, Kourtney McKissick, and Jordan Taska Genzer. "It is an honor to be in NHS and I am very fortunate to be a part of it," said Hickl.



Commit For Life! NHS members Kirby Hickl, Crystal Harvey, Kourtney McKissick, Madison Clontz, and Katee Endres stand in front of the display they made to inform students about the importance of donating blood. "I liked helping out at the drive and knowing that I was helping to save lives was great!" said Harvey.



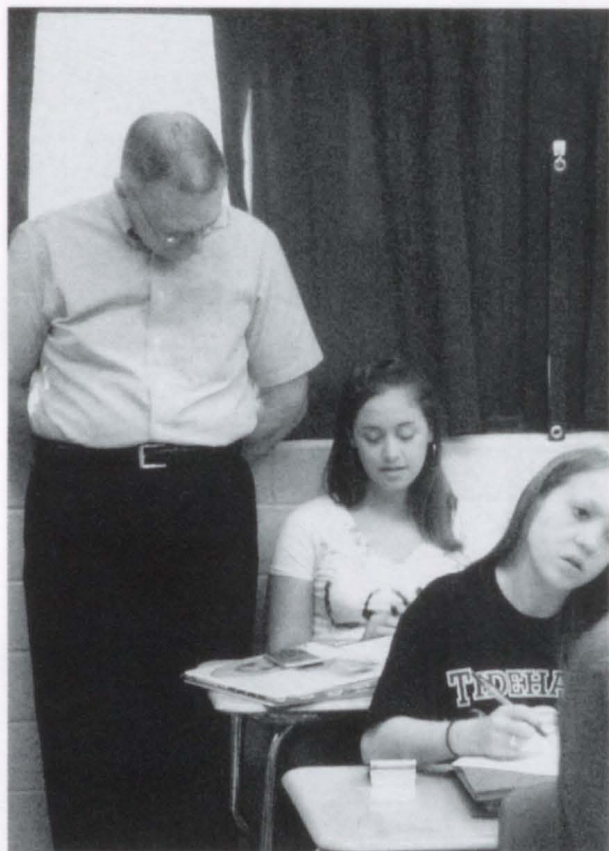
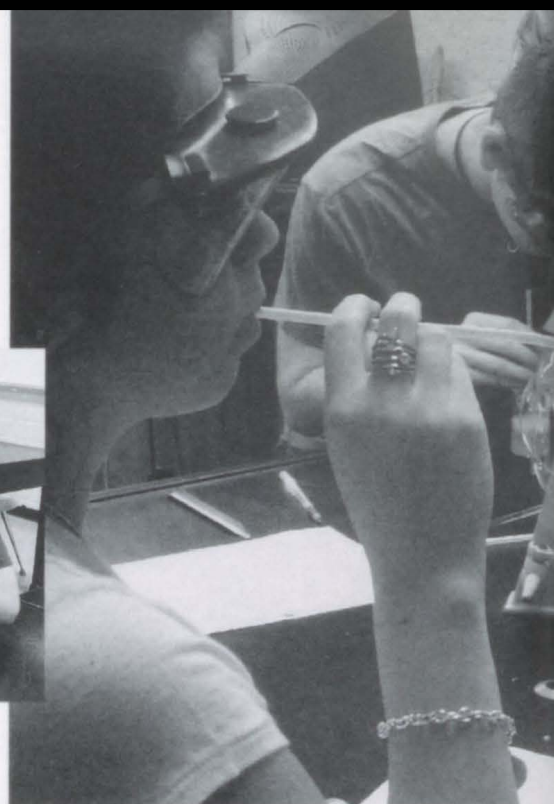
I Have A Dream... Explaining one of the four qualities required of a NHS member is officer Juan Sandoval. "Being in NHS means that thus far I've been successful with my studies, putting me on the right path towards excellence," said Sandoval.

Light it up... Lighting the candles that represent the characteristics a NHS member is supposed to bring forward for all to see is senior Jordan Taska Genzer. "It's an honor being in NHS because only a few people are selected to be in it," said Genzer.

Discovering... While dissecting a pig in Biology class, Chelsea Perez and Jennifer Cortez learn the different parts of the pig. "My favorite part about Biology is getting to learn things that I never knew before," said Cortez.

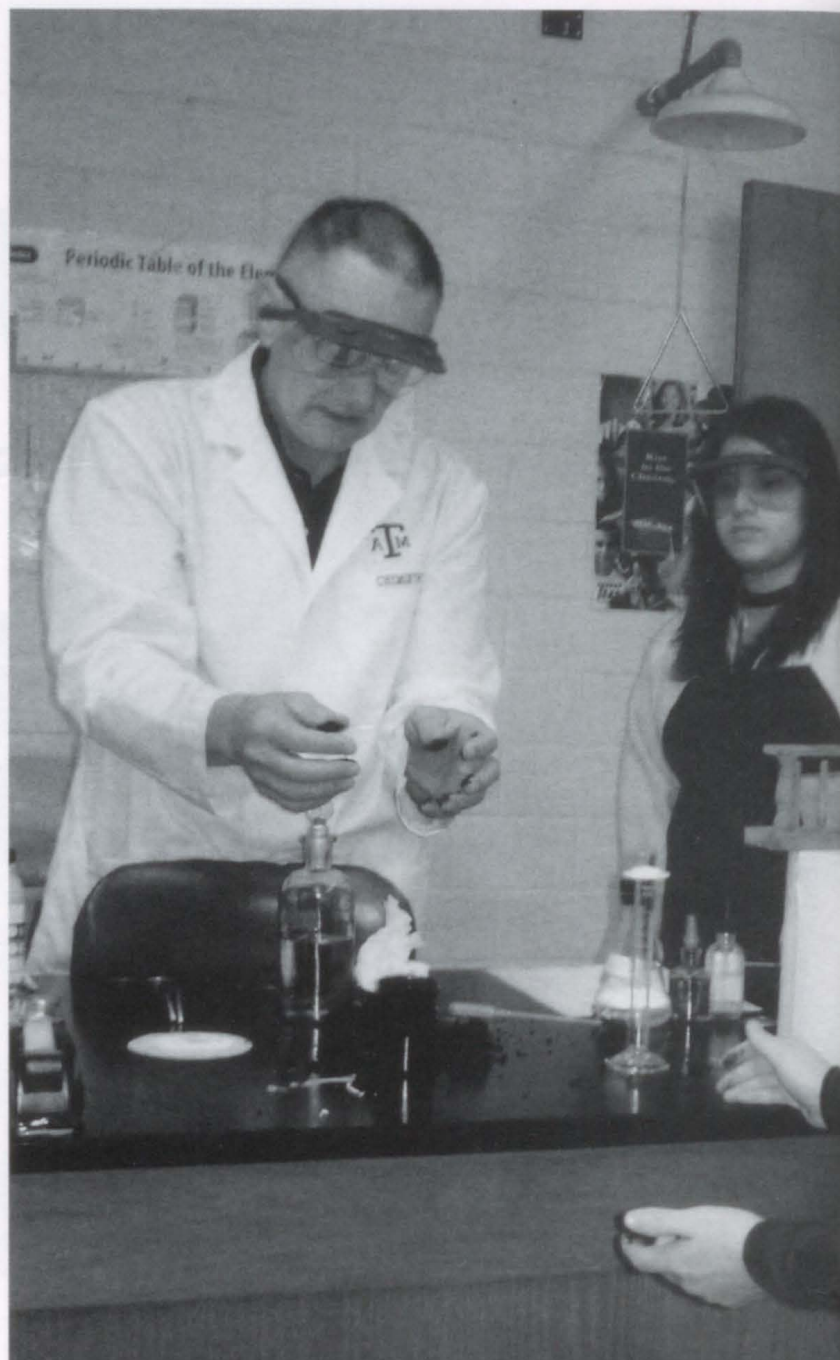


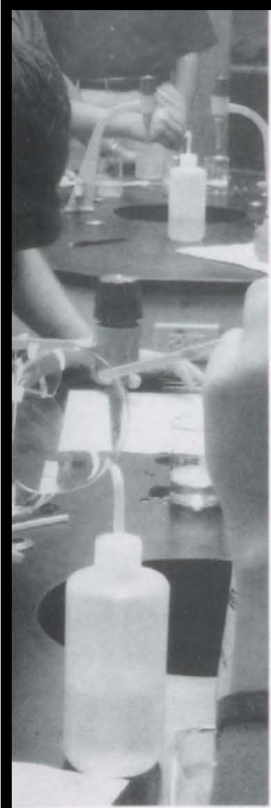
Bubble blowing... While conducting a lab to see which solution would make a bigger bubble, Shelbee Garay and Briana Cruz blow a bubble together. "My favorite part about Chemistry was listening to Mr. Rowland's impressive stories," said Garay.
Cutting in... In Biology, Julianna Garay and Jessica Neuman dissect a pig fetus. "My favorite part about Biology was being able to question things," said Neuman.



Help... While working on an assignment in Chemistry, Sara Biskup receives assistance on her paper from the teacher. "One word to describe Chemistry is easy because Mr. Rowland always tells us 'This is easy. You can do this,'" said Biskup.

This is easy... While Mr. Rowland conducts a lab in Chemistry, Briana Cruz, Reid Alley, and Brooke Holzapfel watch closely. "I would describe Chemistry in one word -easy- because that is what Mr. Rowland always says," said Holzapfel.





Chemistry... is the science concerned with the composition, structure, and properties of matter, as well as the changes it undergoes during chemical reactions. Going on those principles, students enrolled in the chemistry classes spent many hours in the lab. While there, they tested the specific heat of a metal, questioned densities of different substance and compounds to mixtures. Another interesting lab project was the making of hollow pennies.

Making chocolate cupcakes with shampoo as an ingredient was one of the more memorable experiments. With some skepticism, the students tasted the cupcakes and soon found out that they tasted good!

Biology... is the science that studies living organisms and examines the structure, function, growth, origin, evolution, distribution and classification of those living organisms. While trying to learn those concepts, biology students used projects to reach a better understanding. Those projects that students took part in included collecting their own cheek cell specimens and examining them under a microscope, checking how heart rate increased with exercise and constructing edible cell models.

For the majority of the students, the most memorable activities included dissecting pigs and frogs and trying to capture a live roach for their insect collections!

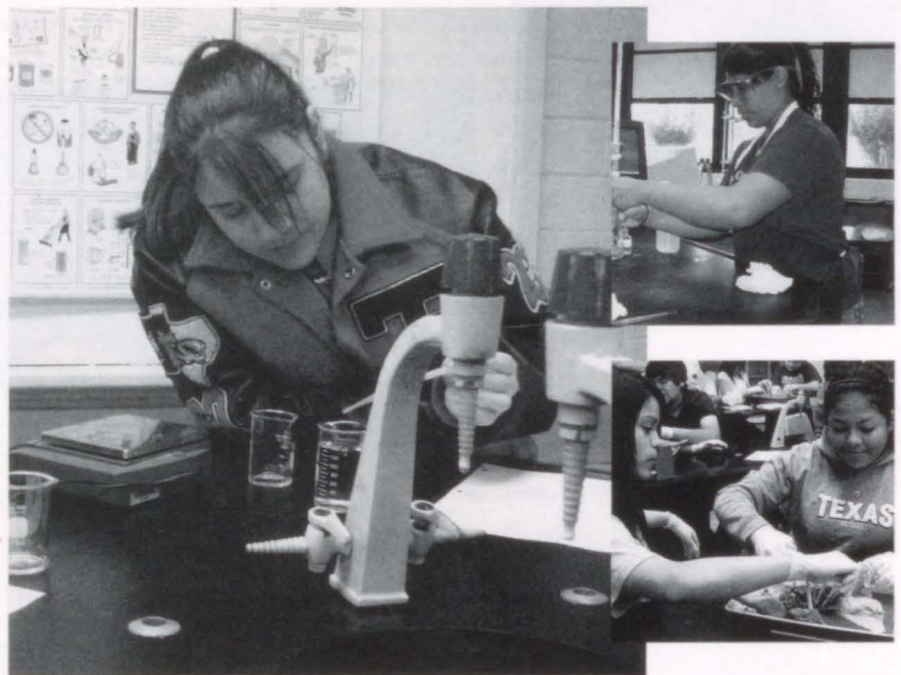
Beyond the Beaker

HANDS-ON SCIENCE

In the zone...While putting together two solutions in the Chemistry lab, Briana Cruz is focusing on doing it right. "A word I would use to describe Chemistry is great because I have the greatest Chemistry teacher in the world" said Cruz.

Making Chemistry...*While in Chemistry conducting a lab, Crystal Manciaz mixes chemicals to make salt water. "One word to describe chemist is amazing because I just love everything about it," said Manciaz.*

Making the cut...*In Biology, Nohemi Izquierdo and Angelica Palomares are dissecting a pig. "Biology is fun because all of the activities we get to do," said Palomares.*





Think Think Think... Hard at work to write her English composition is Angellica Torres. "Doing the powerpoint to 'The Rime of The Ancient Mariner' was the activity that I liked doing and I've learned how to do a presentation," said Torres. Let's see it!!! Preparing for her powerpoint on 'The Rime of the Ancient Mariner' is Kaitlin Sanchez. "I liked working alone on this project because I had a lot of creative freedom and I didn't have people breathing down my neck," said Sanchez. Isolated... Writing to her Spanish pen pal, Jasmine Cortez works away from others to get her work done. "I've learned enough to kind of carry on a conversation and I can understand a lot more," said Cortez.

It's All In The Words

LEARNING THE LANGUAGE

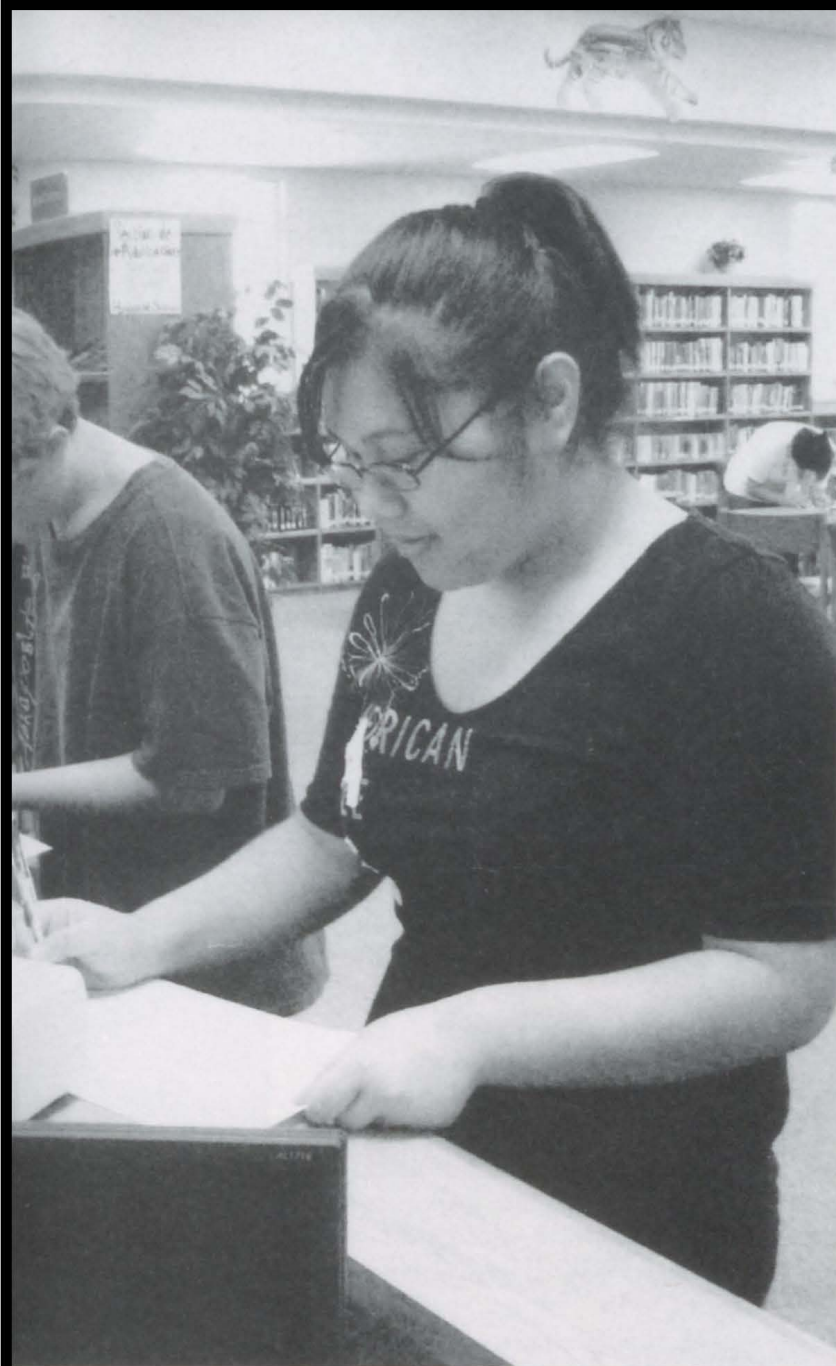
Four years of English - every student has those requirements to meet and every school year, the teachers come up with different activities to enhance the curriculum so that it will be interesting for the students.

In Miss Chandler's English I class, students made manipulatives and flip books to aid in learning literary terms and vocabulary. For English II, Mrs. Yoxheimer had the students complete research papers and also read several novel, including *Night* by Elie Weisel, a Holocaust survivor. After much preparation for the TAKS test, Mrs. Robinson's Junior English students read several novels, including *To Kill A Mockingbird*, *Of Mice and Men*,

and *A Separate Peace*. In Ms. King's English IV classes, seniors had the dreaded research papers and prepared audio-visual presentations of dramatic readings.

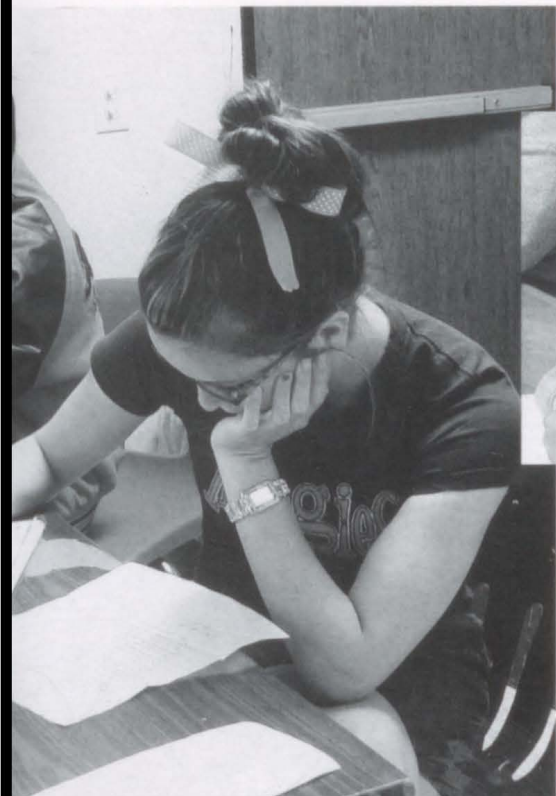
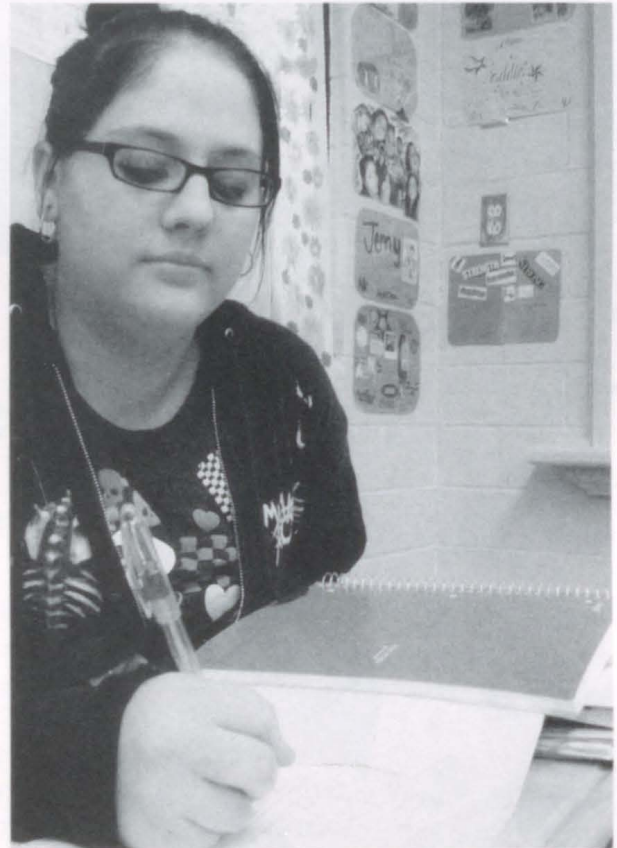
Spanish as a second language - can be important to a person living in South Texas and also as a way to be prepared for future job opportunities. Miss Gonzales had her students involved in many activities that could be used to learn Spanish. Students wrote Spanish plays, played Spanish scrabble and bingo and wrote pen pal letters to Van Vleck Spanish students and Hispanic professionals in the community. Other activities used to learn about the Spanish culture included homemade pinatas and tissue flowers.





Where is that??? Learning where items are located in the library, Justin Kitterman and Lucy Mujica participate in a scavenger hunt. "This year in English, I've learned how to write better and my favorite part of the class was reading *Romeo and Juliet*," said Mujica.

Study for what!!! Writing a creative story in her English class is Elizabeth Dannels. "I would have to say writing stories was my favorite part of Mrs. Robinson's English class," said Dannels.



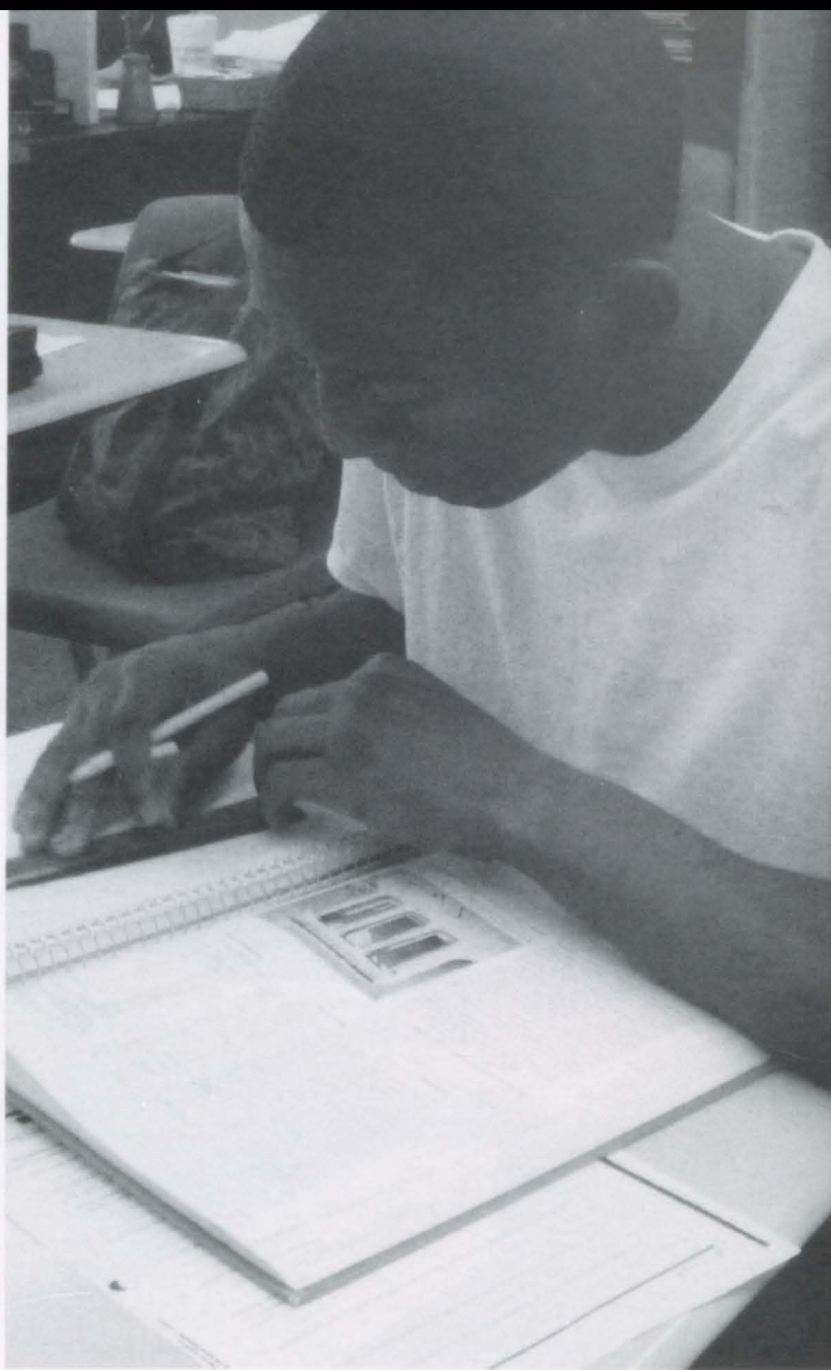
Hola'!!! Taking notes on how to conjugate verbs in Spanish is Brittney Manciaz. "I loved learning new things and doing different projects in my Spanish class," said Manciaz.

Mail Time... Thinking of what to write to her pen pal, Katee Endres concentrates on how to write in Spanish. "My favorite part of Spanish was making a pinata which I gave my mom for Easter" said Endres.

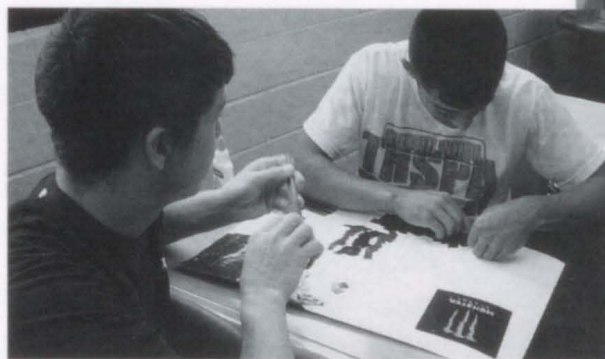
To be or not to be!!! Working on a Hamlet worksheet is Norma Marin. "My favorite part of English class was watching and listening to Ms. King sing," said Marin.

Expression... While drawing Greek Columns in art class, Ja' Corey Fisher focuses on getting his drawing perfected. "I can express my feelings in art," said Fisher.

One of a kind... After drawing Bender from Futurama, Shaun Sliva cuts out small magazine clippings to glue to the drawing for color and texture. "Art is exciting because we do many creative projects," said Sliva.



Masterpiece... While finished admiring their own artwork, Fabian Castillo and Edge Harper look at other art projects on the table. "My favorite part is when people admire my drawings and art projects," said Castillo.



Working hard... Trying to finish his art project, Marcus Rocha focuses on getting his picture completed. "One word to describe art would be awesome because it's fun, and we are always doing something," said Rocha.

Don't mess up... While drawing a picture, Justin Laslie works hard to get it right. "Perfection in art is impossible-nothing is perfect," said Laslie.



Gluing... Carefully, Roosevelt Edison works on his art project.

"Art is something to do when I am bored," said Edison.

Express yourself... While gluing small clippings of paper to his project, Kylum Mitchell focuses on the task at hand.

"My favorite part about art is when we are able to draw what we want because then I am able to express what I want," said Mitchell.

Piece by piece... Getting the work done little by little, Juan Sosa cuts small pieces of magazine pages for his project.

"One word to describe art would be artistic because I love doing all the art projects," said Sosa.



Express Yourself

SHOWING YOUR TRUE COLORS

Art can be defined as the process of deliberately arranging elements in a way that appeals to the senses or emotions. It encompasses a diverse range of human activities, creations, and modes of expression, including music and literature. How do you like to express yourself? For some people, it is in the clothes they choose to wear. For other people, a part of their personality can be expressed by the music they listen to. Still others may keep a journal or write poems to express their emotions.

This year, students in art class had the opportunity to express themselves in a new and different way. For many

of the students, art class was a new adventure in learning to express themselves. For one of the class projects, students chose a small picture from an advertisement. Using that picture as a guide, students recreated the picture by creating a mosaic. Using different colored small pieces of paper cut out of advertisements, the students glued the papers to a larger sheet of paper to create their own mosaic. This was a lengthy project that involved a large amount of cutting and gluing. However, when the students were finished, each one could be proud of his achievement and his artistic expression.

Family and Consumer Sciences: empowering individuals and families across the life span to manage the challenges of living and working in a diverse global society. At Tidehaven, students have the opportunity to learn basic skills that they will use for the rest of their lives.

In Personal & Family Development, students practice the skills needed in food preparation and have the satisfaction of constructing an item using simple sewing skills.

Students in the Preparation for Parenting class have the responsibility of caring for a lifelike infant while learning the demands of parenting, as well as proper baby handling and care. 'Don't plan on getting very much sleep!'

Agricultural Sciences: the study of agriculture traditionally encompasses the breeding and raising of livestock, cultivating land, raising crops and farming. For students at Tidehaven, agriculture gives opportunities to learn about the many aspects of agriculture.

One popular course is welding where students are able to go into the shop for some hands-on experiences. Another favorite class is Food Technology. Students are introduced to the selection, preservation, packaging, distribution and use of safe, nutritious and wholesome foods. After learning the technical aspects of food, students then experiment with the use(eating) of different foods!



Everyday Skills

MIXING IT AND FIXING IT



On fire!!! Cautiously cutting some metal material, Kole Mitchell focuses so as not to burn himself. "My favorite part of this class is when we went into the shop to weld," said Mitchell.

Teamwork... Painting a sign for the front of the Ag building are Tanner Junek and Randy Sparks. "I have learned teamwork and the importance of getting along with my classmates while I was in Ag," said Junek.

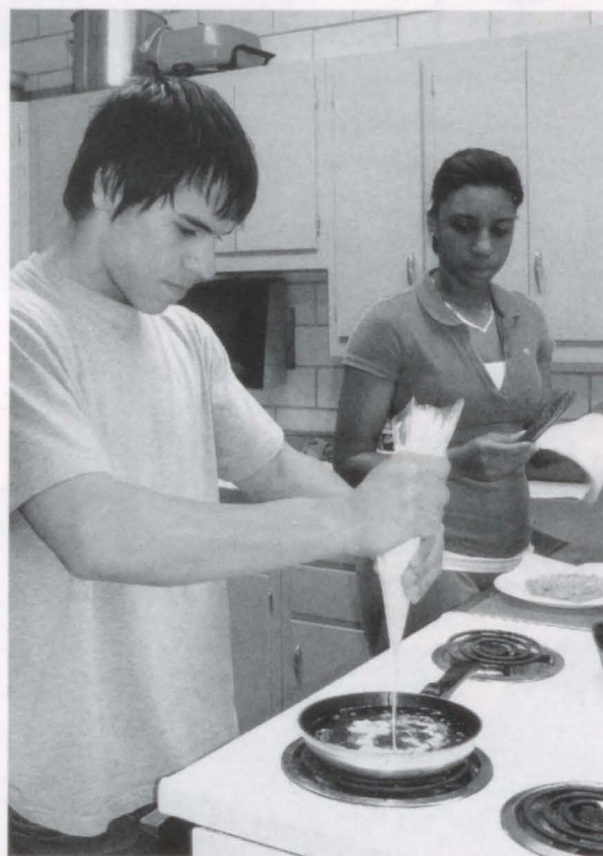
We can do it!!! Working as a team to put up the new FFA sign up on the building are Orlando Davalos, Ross Davant, Jeffrey Crawford, Randy Sparks, Byran Biskup, and Tanner Junek. "From this class, I learned personal skills and cooperation with others," said Crawford.



Yummy... Proving that they have culinary skills, Ryan Koch and Melissa Ortega show off their Easter cake. "I would have taken out the mint Oreos in the recipe and used regular Oreos instead," said Koch. **Focused...** Sewing their pillows by hand, Luke Ledwig, Jose Picon and Juan Sosa try not to poke themselves with their needles. "I have learned how to cook and sew from being in Personal and Family Development," said Sosa.



Dirty to clean!!! With help from Maria Palomares, Cody Frick learns how to change a dirty diaper. "I learned that taking care of a baby is not easy as it looks," said Frick.



Hot Hot Hot!!! Working together to safely cook funnel cakes are Marcus Lara and Shawnette Woods. "I didn't know that funnel cakes are really quick and simple to make," said Woods.

My Designs... Aiming for neatness, Chasity Martinez decorates one of her sugar cookies. "My favorite part about Personal and Family Development was cooking in the kitchen because I learned how to cook different meals," said Martinez.

Items needed...While holding a sign up to get people's attention, Amber Garcia, Reid Alley, and Kyla Calzada get donations from people for Hurricane Ike victims. "My favorite part about PALS is having fun with the little kids," said Alley.

Working with smiles...While working in the heat, Amber Garcia is getting people's attention by holding a sign up with a smile. "Helping younger kids excel in everything they do is my favorite part about being in PALS," said Garcia.

Help is here...While waiting for people to donate, Reid Alley, Kyla Calzada, and Chade Joines stand to greet people. "I like being in PALS because I get to help out younger children and set good examples," said Calzada.



Helping TO LESSEN THE EFFECTS

After Hurricane Ike left Matagorda county untouched and severely affected Galveston and Harris counties, many people had their lives changed forever when they either lost their home or were unable to return to the home. As a sign of caring, the Pals class devoted a Saturday to collecting items for Red Cross to deliver to needy families. Items collected included disposable toiletries, baby wipes, disposable diapers, cleaning supplies and school supplies. At the end of the day, Pals had the satisfaction of knowing they had helped others.



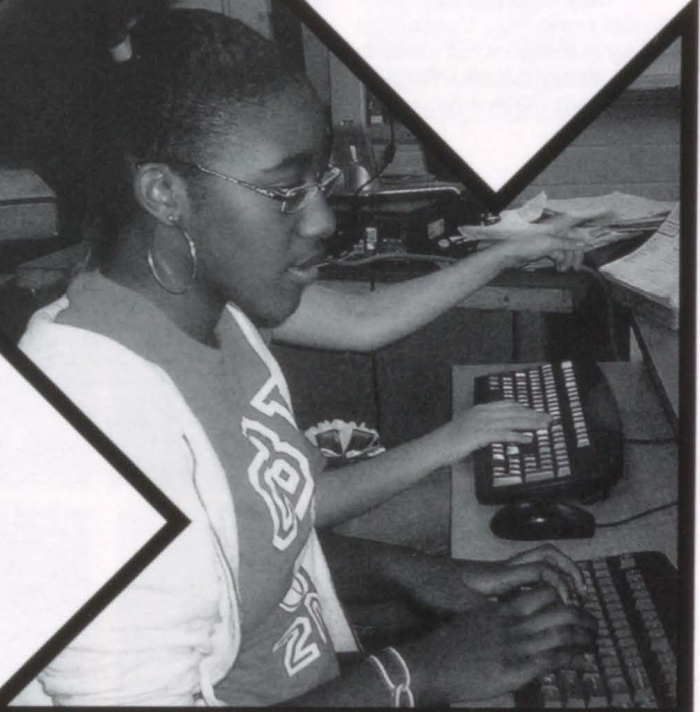
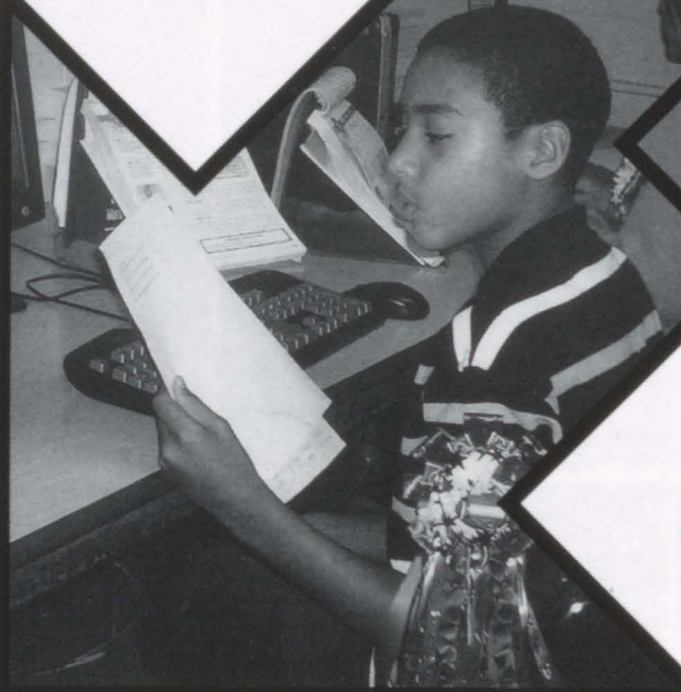
Together... Holding up signs, Jordan Taska-Genzer, Amber Garcia, Grayson Huffman, Chade Joines, Mr. Harvey, Reid Alley, and Kyla Calzada stand together after a long day. "My favorite part of PAL is being a hero to kids," said Huffman.
Our special pal...Standing outside of Wal-mart, Grayson Huffman, Chade Joines, Jordan Taska-Genzer, and Amber Garcia wait for donations. "My favorite part was whenever we were able to drive to the elementary campuses to visit with our special pals," said Joines.



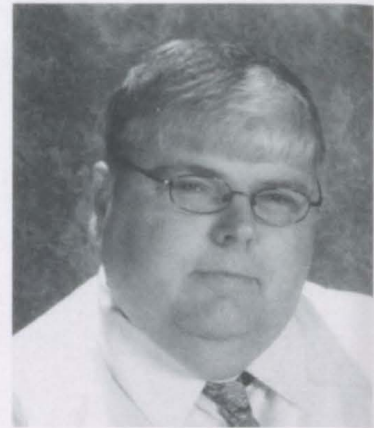


FINDING MIDDLE GROUND

INTERMEDIATE

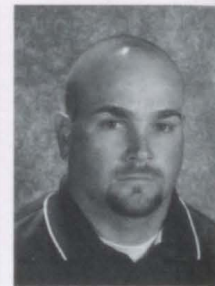


Intermediate Faculty & Staff



Principal:
Darrell Tolson

Charlotte Allgaier - Cafeteria
Sonya Arias-Cruz - Reading
Josh Ashworth - 7th & 8th
Math
Ken Ballinger - History
Aaron Garcia - History



Anned N, Gilbert - Social
Studies
Amy Glaze - PEIMS/Secretary
Robert Hutto - Science
Carolyn Into - Special Ed.
Denise Kruppa - 6th-8th
Reading



Denise Leissner - Math
Susan Longoria - Custodian
Bobby Maupin - Keyboarding
Stacy Novak - English
Irma Popham - Office Secretary



Janet Richardson - Library
Media Specialist
Alfred Rosa - 6th Language
Arts
Lanie Sanders - 7th & 8th
Language Arts
Maria Sandoval - Cafeteria
Duane Schroedter - Science



Susan Siptak - Math
Renee Smith - School Nurse
Gay Thurmond - Cafeteria
Karen Vickers - P.E.



Eighth Grade



Left: Taking time from their lunch, Summer Deloach and Courtney Byrd say thank you to the school board.

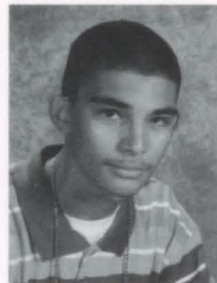
Right: Band members Kevin Brown, Danielle Galvan, Skylar Mitchell, Mikayla Dyer, and Marlee Tsika thank the school board for their modern band hall.



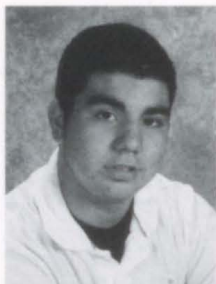
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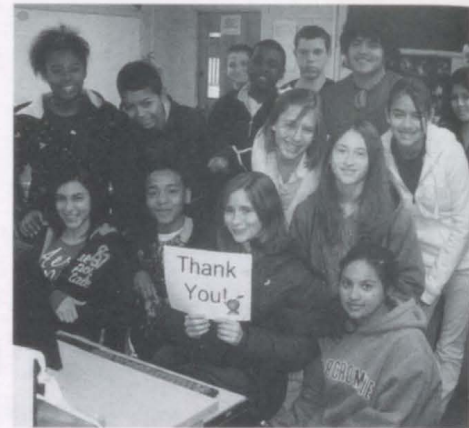


Matthew Hallman
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Candelario Izquierdo
Kenadi Jackson
Lani Kasper

Eighth Grade

Left: Participating in Crazy Hair Day are Kristine Bell, Shaundria Woods, Kevin Brown, Martin Flores, Jr. Izquierdo, Kerissa Wiley, and Anthony Guardiola.

Right: Members of the eighth grade get together to thank the school board for new computers used in keyboarding class.



Marisa Lara
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Tony Martinez
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Skylar Mitchell
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Kortni Page
Agustin Palomares



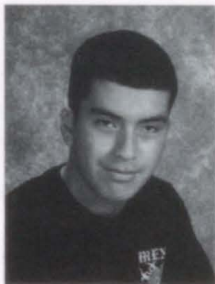
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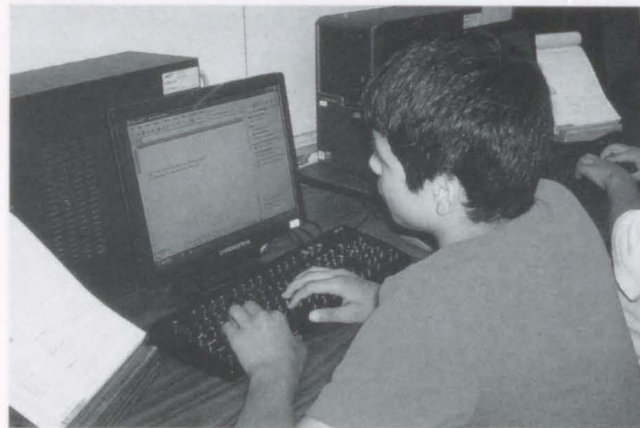
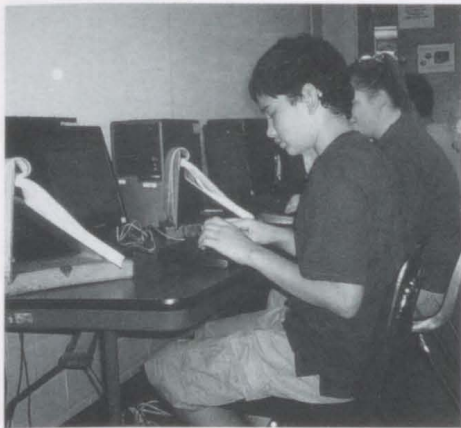
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Daniel Sustaita
Maria Sustaita-Rubio
Sarena Tovar
Marlee Tiska
Kirsten West



Eighth & Seventh Grade



Left: Looking for letters on the keyboard, Frank Brewer completes an assignment in his computer class. Right: After proofreading his typing, Junior Izquierdo continues with a lesson in the computer class.



Michelle West
Kerissa Wiley
Shawndria Woods
Jared Zbranek
Andrew Zielonka



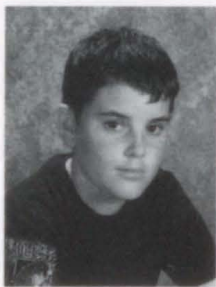
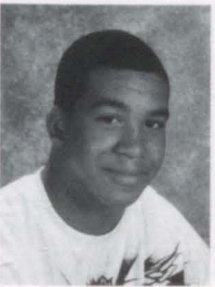
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Allyson Adkins
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Shelby Billeau
Melissa Boudreaux
Cody Capak



Randall Cheek
Monica Delgado
Summer DeLoach-Rutherford
Anthony Elliott
Taylor Fisher



Don'Trae Foster
Matthew Galvez
Issac Garcia
Nathaniel Gardner
Alan Gilchrist

Seventh Grade

Left: Getting help from Mr. Schroedter, Tayler Belasquez and Kady Lezak finish a class assignment.
Right: Members of the seventh grade volleyball team congratulate each other after a winning game.



Waylon Glasscock
Francisco Guerra
Francisco J. Guerra
Kevin Hallman
Carson Havel



Hailee Hurta
Trent Idzior
Jazmin Izquierdo
Jaron Johnson
Robin Krenek



Joshua Laslie
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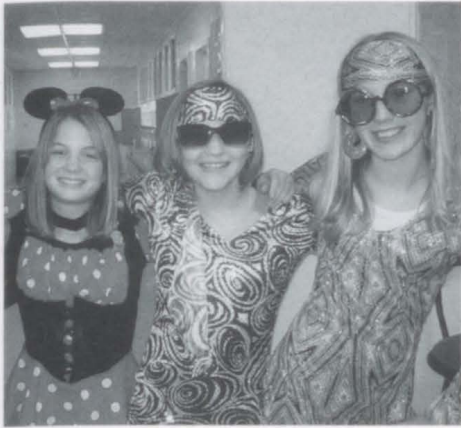
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Beatrice Sandoval



William Sexton
Steven Shimek
Sarah Siptak
Emily Soliz
Victoria Torres



Seventh & Sixth Grade



Left: Getting into the spirit of Halloween and Red Ribbon Week are sixth graders Avery Davant, Abigail Frick and Laramie Zant.
Right: Ready to return a volleyball serve are seventh graders Robin Krenek, Sarah Siptak and Jazmin Izquierdo.



Bryan Tiska
Devin Vacek
Kayla Wendel

Sixth Grade



Amanda Adkins
Lindsay Carrillo
Chelsea Chavez
Ashely Conde
Megan Danford



Avery Davant
Juan Espinoza
Jason Fitzgerald
Abigail Frick
Miranda Galvan



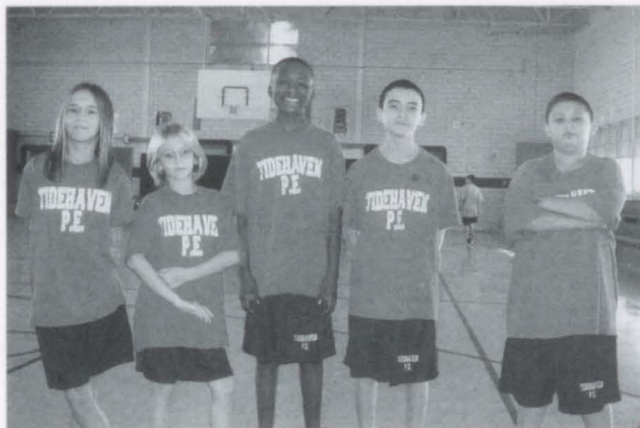
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Byran Garza
Catarina Garza
German Guerra



Samuel Hadash
Damian Hernandez
Drake Jager
Joshua Kitterman
Vivianna Kuykendall

Sixth Grade

Left: The winning flag football team in sixth grade consisted of Vanessa Poteet, Abigail Palmer, Samuel Hadash, Juan Espinoza and Damian Hernandez. Right: Ready for their part in the song are French horn players Abigail Frick and Cassie Seymour.



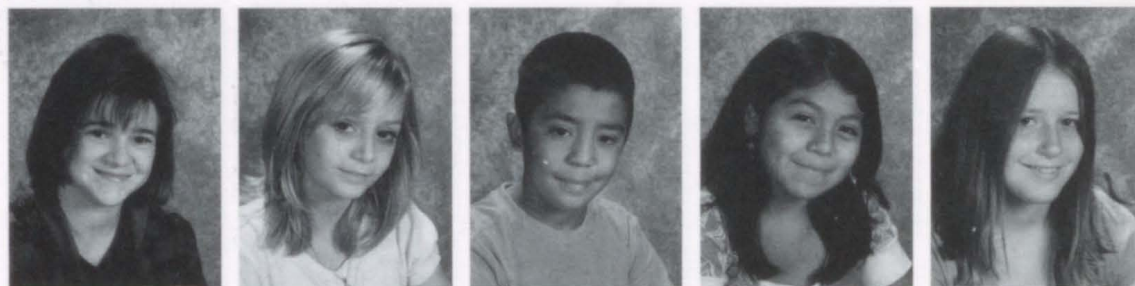
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Hector Luna



Victor Luna
Isaak Medina-Mendoza
Kassidy Mink
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Sierra Neuman
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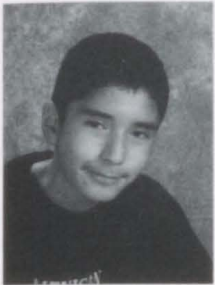
Alphonse Revis
Drew Savage
Cassandra Seymour
Nathan Sliva
Michael Soto



Sixth Grade



*Left: The Junior High band provided musical entertainment during the Veteran's Day program held at the school.
Right: It seems everyone likes to get into the Halloween spirit, including many of the teachers and students.*



Rafael Sustaita
Peyton Taska-Genzer
Joseph Tilotta
Jesus Torres
Garret Vacek



Victoria Vargas
Fidel Vazquez
Eric Villarreal
Jordan Voldan
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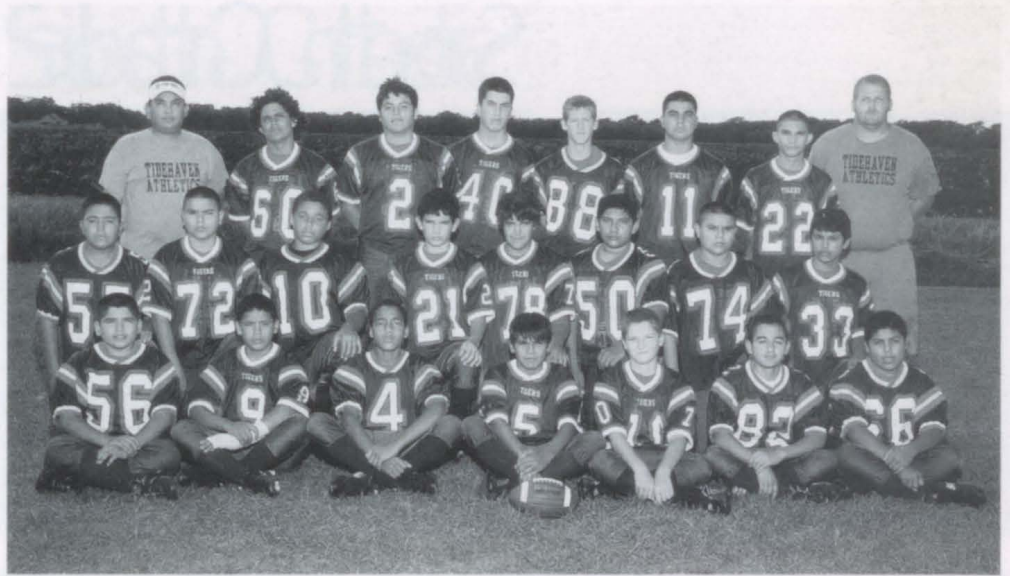


Laramie Zant
Phillip Zarate

AUTOGRAPHS

Kitten Football

Eighth Grade: Front: Edward Garcia, T.J. Martinez, Kevin Brown, Anthony Garcia, Andrew Zielonka, Eric Reyes, Agustin Palomares. Middle: Vincent Palomares, Derrick Davalos, Trayln Davis, Frank Brewer, Raymond Rodriguez, Danny Calixto, Damian Davalos, Jr. Izquierdo. Back: Coach Alfred Rosa, Anthony Guardiola, Martin Flores, Daniel Sustaita, Danny Fitzgerald, Israel Garcia, Derrick Galvan, Coach Chris Boyett.



Seventh Grade: Front: Ray Sexton, Stevie Shimek, Alan Gilchrist, Devin Vacek, Issac Garcia, Pete Perez, Edward Palomares, Jasper Nieto. Middle: Randy Cheek, Cody Allgaier, Waylon Glasscock, Trent Izdior, Nathaniel Gardnew, Francisco Guerra, Jaron Johnson. Back: Coach Chris Boyett, Zeke Tsika, Caesar Lara, Josh Laslie, Dontrae Foster, Carson Havel, Cody Capak, Matthew Galvez, Coach Alfred Rosa.



Top Left: While teammate Israel Garcia blocks the offense, Martin Flores carries the ball to gain yardage for the eighth grade team.

Top Right: Taking turns, Israel Garcia returns the blocking favor while his teammate, Martin Flores, gains yardage for the team.

Right: Members of the eighth grade team get instructions on plays from Coach Clarence Jones during a time-out.

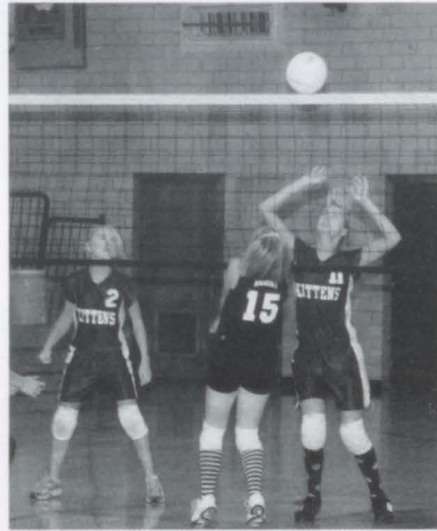


Eighth Grade A: Front: Maria Mendoza, Meaghan Ledwig, Makenna Solomon, Kenadi Jackson, Victoria Phommahaxay. Middle: Danielle Galvan, Courtney Byrd, Marlee Tsika, Carmen Ortiz. Back: Sarah Lara, Skylar Mitchell, Coach Nicole Mercer, Shawndria Woods, Kerissa Wiley.



Seventh Grade A: Front: Hailee Hurta, Genny Smith, Victoria Torres, Anna Luna, Missy Boudreaux. Back: Jasmine Izquierdo, Robin Krenek, Coach Tamika Thiergood, Kady Lezak, Sarah Siptak.

Kitten Volleyball



Left: While Skylar Mitchell sets up the volleyball, her teammate, Meaghan Ledwig, is ready to step in.

Below: Waiting for their teammate's serve are Kenadi Jackson, Nikki West and Kerstine Bell.



Eighth Grade B: Front: Lucy Sustaita, Areli Salinas, Lani Kaspar, Mikayla Dyer, Destinie Lucio. Middle: Kortni Page, Nikki West, Tracy Garcia, Jessica Harvey, Marisa Lara, Alaina Cruz. Back: Sarena Tovar, Daena Parks, Coach Nicole Mercer, Kerstine Bell, Michelle West.



Seventh Grade B: Front: Kayla Wendel, Andrea Bentancur, Kayla Rodriguez, Kirstie Nowell, Emily Soliz. Back: Taylor Fisher, Shelby Billeau, Coach Tamika Thiergood, Summer DeLoach-Rutherford, Beatrice Sandoval.

Kitten Basketball

Near Right: Preparing to throw the ball to a teammate is Edward Garcia.

Far Right: While Kevin Brown handles the ball, his teammate Edward Garcia runs interference.

Bottom Left: Surrounded by his opponents, Chris Branch moves the basketball down the court.

Bottom Right: While Chris Branch moves into position, Kevin Brown keeps control of the basketball.



Eighth Grade: Front: Kevin Brown, Chris Branch, Edward Garcia. Back: Danny Fitzgerald, Israel Garcia, Kyle Cox, Coach Alfred Rosa.



Seventh Grade: Front: Ray Sexton, Francisco Guerra. Middle: Jaron Johnson, Randy Cheek, Issac Garcia. Back: Zeke Tsika, Dontrae Foster, Josh Laslie, Justin Rush, Coach Alfred Rosa.

Kitten Basketball



Left: While Kerissa Wiley tries to gain control of the basketball, her teammate, Meaghan Ledwig, is ready to step in.
 Right: Looking for a teammate, Carmen Ortiz waits to pass the ball.
 Below: With a hand on the ball, Danielle Galvan moves down the court.



Eighth Grade: Front: Kenadi Jackson, Victoria Phommahaxay, Maria Mendoz, Meaghan Ledwig. Middle: Camen Ortiz, Makenna Solomon, Marlee Tsika, Courtney Byrd. Back: Coach Nicole Mercer, Shawndria Woods, Skylar Mitchell, Kerissa Wiley, Danielle Galvan.



Seventh Grade A: Genny Smith, Tayler Belasquez, Sarah Siptak, Kady Lezak, Coach Tamika Thiergood, Robin Krenek, Taylor Fisher, Jazmin Izquierdo, Missy Boudreaux.



Seventh Grade B: Kneeling: Kirstie Nowell, Hailee Hurta, Kayla Wendel, Victoria Torres, Anna Luna. Standing: Kayla Rodriguez, Beatrice Sandoval, Coach Tamika Thiergood, Summer DeLoach Rutherford, Andrea Bentzour.

Kitten Track

Near Right: Participating in the discus throw at the Palacios meet is seventh grader, Carson Havel. Far Right: Taking his turn at pole vaulting is eighth grader, Danny Fitzgerald. Bottom Left: Cleanly clearing a hurdle during his race is Frank Brewer, an eighth grader. Bottom Right: With a hand-off from Chris Branch, Derrick Galvan sets off on the final leg of the eighth grade 400 meter relay race.



Eighth Grade: Row 1: Edward Garcia, Kevin Brown, Gabriel Ramirez. Row 2: DaQuawn Franklin, Andrew Zielonka, Danny Calixto, Visente Palomares. Row 3: Raymond Rodríguez, Jared Zbranek, Danny Fitzgerald, Derrick Galvan, Chris Branch.



Seventh Grade: Row 1: Jaron Johnson, Issac Garcia, Francisco Guerra, Eduardo Palomares. Row 2: Matthew Galvez, Cody Capak, Nathaniel Gardner, Randall Cheek, Waylon Glasscock. Row 2: Justin Rush, Joshua Laslie, DonTrae Foster, Carson Havel.

Kitten Track



Left: Preparing to throw the discus is eighth grader, Carmen Ortiz.

Right: Trying to stick her landing in the triple jump is seventh grader, Sara Siptak.

Bottom Left: Earning second place in the high jump competition at the Palacios meet is eighth grader, Skylar Mitchell.

Bottom Right: With a clean hand-off from Kenadi Jackson, Kerissa Wiley sets off to finish the eighth grade 400 meter relay race, leaving the opponents far behind on the track.



Eighth Grade: Row 1: Victoria Phommahaxay, Destinie Lucio, Mikayla Dyer, Meaghan Ledwig, Alaina Cruz, Maria Mendoza. Row 2: Lani Kaspar, Marissa Lara, Jessica Harvey, Makenna Solomon, Kenadi Jackson. Row 3: Sarena Tovar, Courtney Byrd, Danielle Galvan, Carmen Ortiz, Nikki West, Michelle West. Row 4: Daena Parks, Sara Lara, Shawndria Woods, Skylar Mitchell, Karissa Wiley, Kerstine Bell, Coach Nicole Mercer.

Seventh Grade: Row 1: Hailee Hurta, Geneva Smith, Annamarie Luna, Emily Soliz, Missy Boudreaux. Row 2: Andrea Bentancur, Sara Siptak, Jazmin Izquierdo, Victoria Torres. Row 3: Beatrice Sandoval, Taylor Fisher, Coach Tamika Thiergood, Robin Krenek, Shelby Billeau, Kady Lezak.

Kitten Cheerleaders

Sitting: Hailee Hurta, Sarah Siptak.
Kneeling: Annamarie Luna, Victoria Phommahaxay, Emily Soliz.
Standing: Lani Kaspar, Mikayla Dyer, Meaghan Ledwig.



Members of the Kitten Cheerleading squad pump up the spirit during a Kitten football game.





Kitten Band

7th & 8th Grade: Row 1: Jared Zbranek, Lyndsey West, Shawndria Woods, Kenadi Jackson, Monica Delgado, Kady Lezak. Row 2: Allyson Adkins, Kayla Rodriguez, Camen Ortiz, Jassica Harvey, Meaghan Ledwig, Lari Kaspar, Daena Parks, Jazmin Izquierdo, Kayla Wendel, Sarah Siptak, Tayler Belasquez. Row 3: Cody Allgaier, Anthony Elliott, Kyle Cox, Mikayla Dyer, Skylar Mitchell, Danielle Galvan, Cody Capak, Frank Brewer, Kevin Hallman, Emily Soliz, Steven Shimek, Marlee Tsika. Row 4: Kevin Brown, Kerstine Bell, Camen Carrillo, Francisco J. Guerra, Joshua Laslie, Bryan Tsika, Ceasar Lara, Randy Cheek, Carson Havel, Robin Krenek, Courtney Byrd.



6th Grade: Row 1: Kassidy Mink, Laramie Zant, Dakota Peterson, Victoria Vargas, Megan Danford, Gabrielle Nesbitt, Ashley Conde, Cynthia Lule, Abigail Palmer, Avery Davant, Lindsay Carrillo. Row 2: Scott Wolter, Kelsey Leach, Bailey Pence, Eric Lucio, Fernando Palomares, Michael Soto, Damian Hernandez, Mason Ledwig, Drake Jager, Samuel Hadash. Row 3: Eric Villarreal, Brooke Pence, Fidel Vazquez, Joshua Kitterman, Vivianne Kuykendall, Juan Espinoza, Rolando Ramirez, Benito Moreno, Cassandra Seymour, Abigail Park, Alyssa Garcia.



Student Council

Front: Bryan Garza, Meaghan Ledwig, Jason Fitzgerald.
Middle: Maçon Ledwig, Victoria Phommahaxay, Steven Shimek, Avery Davant.
Back: Matthew Galvez, Danielle Galvan, Mrs. Sonya Arias-Cruz, Kenadi Jackson, Sarah Siptak.



In support of Red Ribbon week, student council members Danielle Galvan, Meaghan Ledwig, Kenadi Jackson, and Victoria Phommahaxay wear their 'shades'.



Getting together in front of the drug-free bulletin board designed by the student council are several students including Eric Villareal, Ashlie Conde, Kelsey Leach, Avery Davant, Abbie Frick and Laramie Zant.

Graduation May 28, 2009

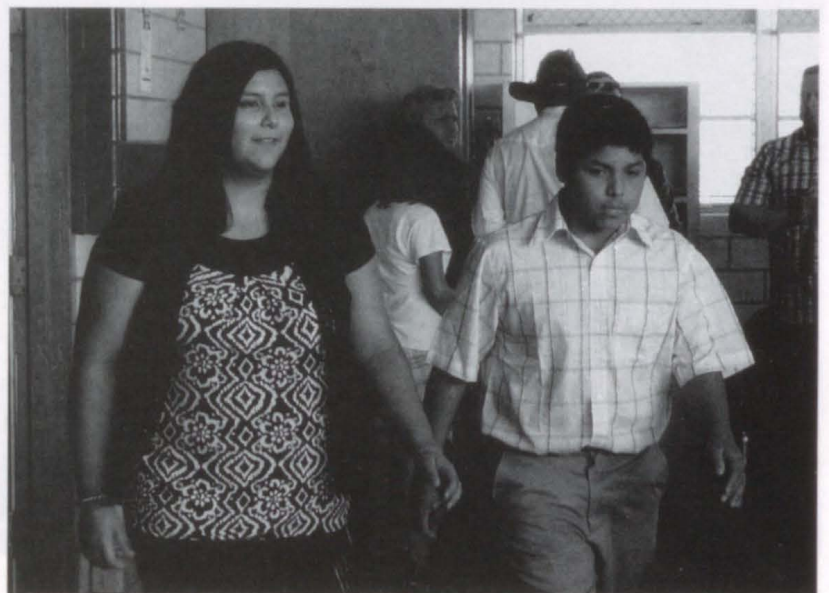


Valedictorian
Meaghan Ledwig



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Lani Kaspar

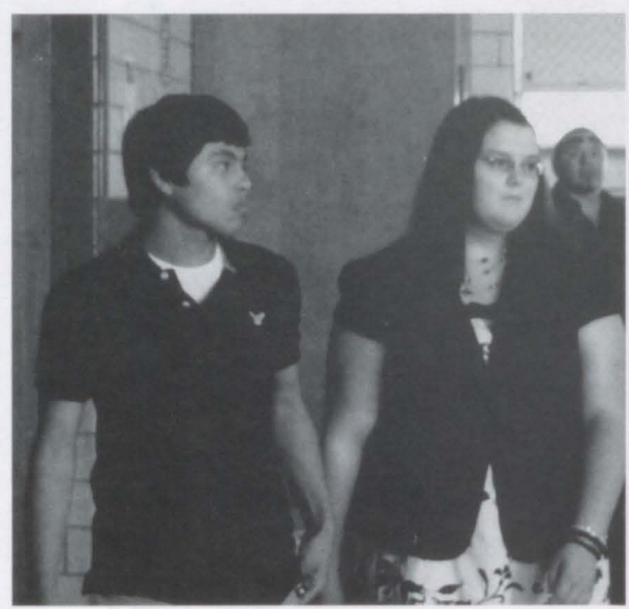
Marching into the gym for the beginning of the graduation ceremonies are Kerstine Bell and William Fitzgerald (top left), Carmen Ortiz and Mikayla Dyer (top right), Gabriel Ramirez (bottom left), and Sarah Lara and Agustin Palomares (bottom right).



Shawndria Woods
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Walking into the gym during the processional are Shawndria Woods (left) and Candela Irizquierdo, Jr. and Daena Parks (right).

Receiving their diplomas during the ceremony are Levi Gregory (top left), Skylar Mitchell (top right), Kyle Cox (bottom left) and Victoria Phommahaxay (bottom right).





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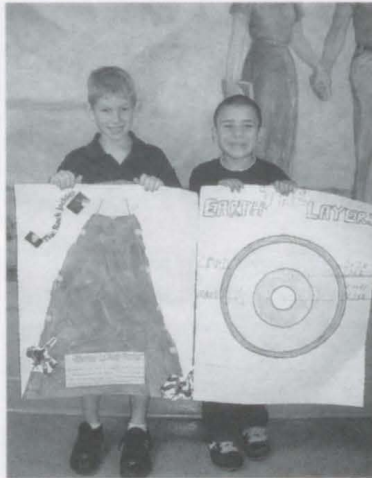
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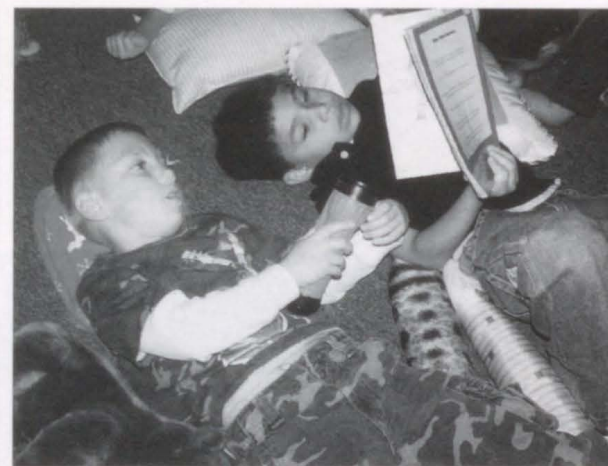
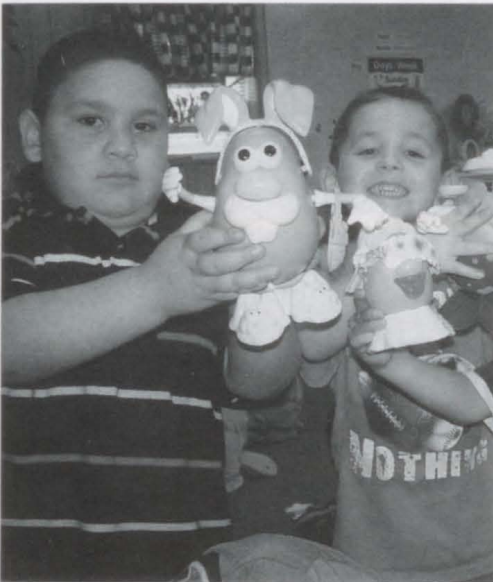
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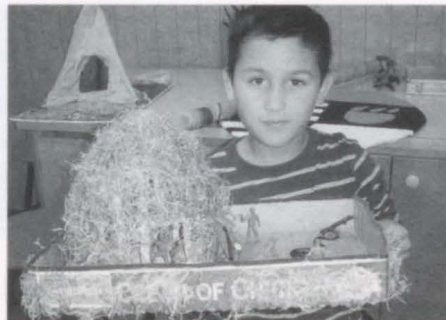
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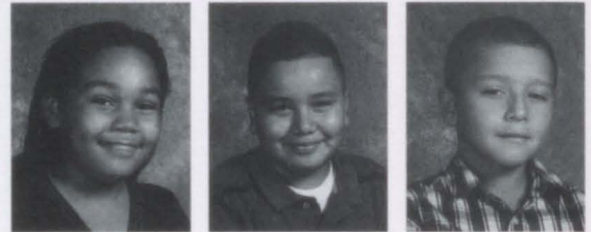
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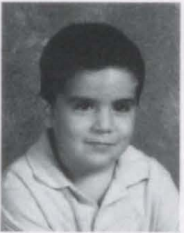
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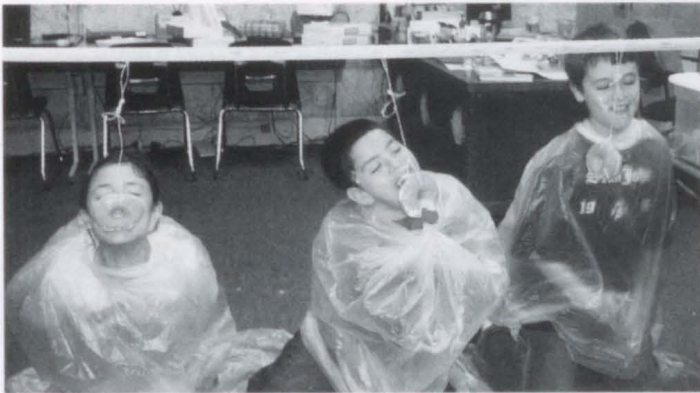
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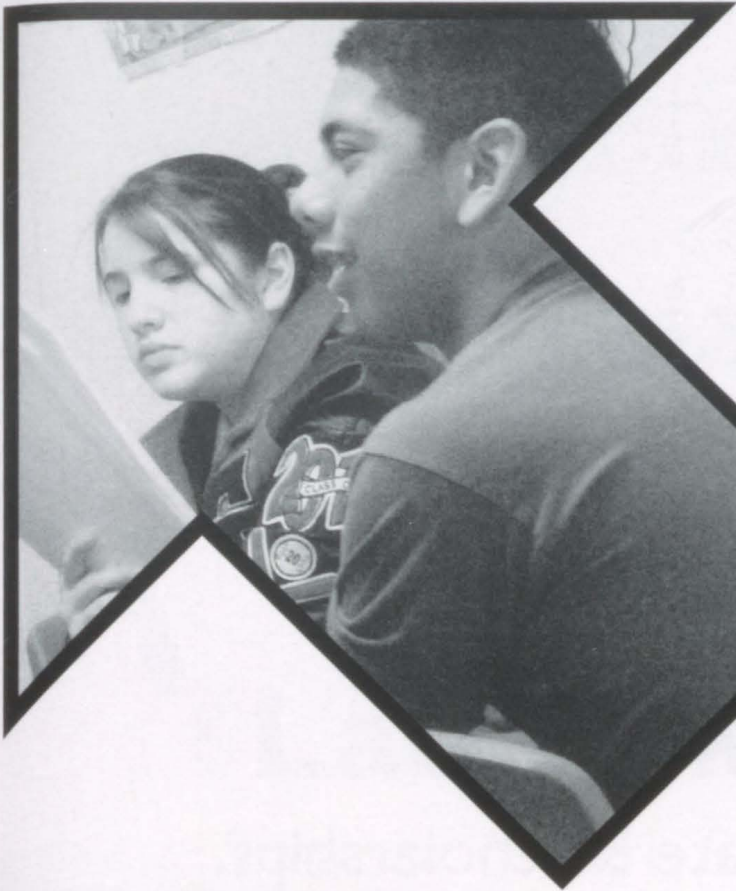
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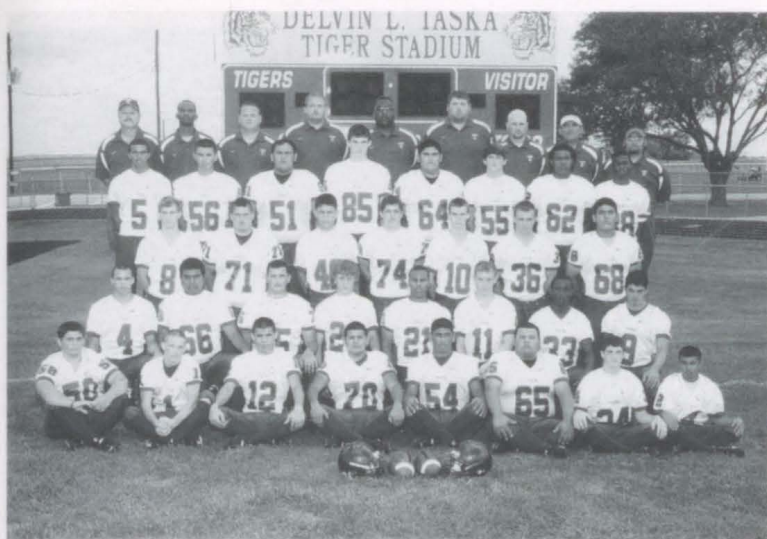


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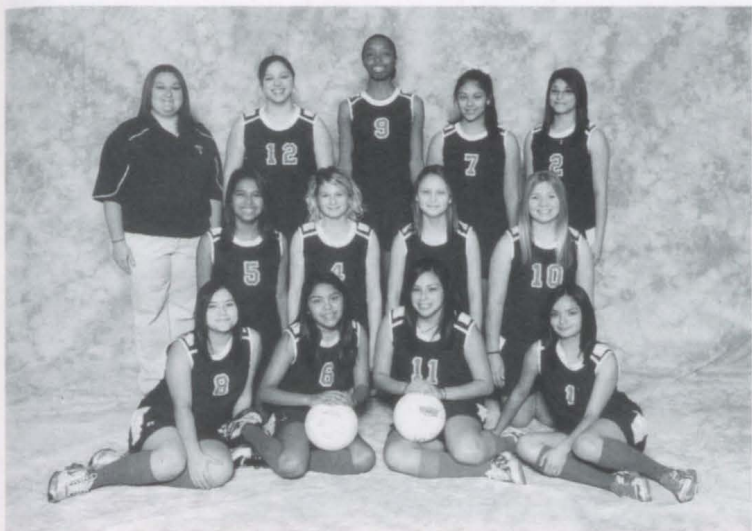
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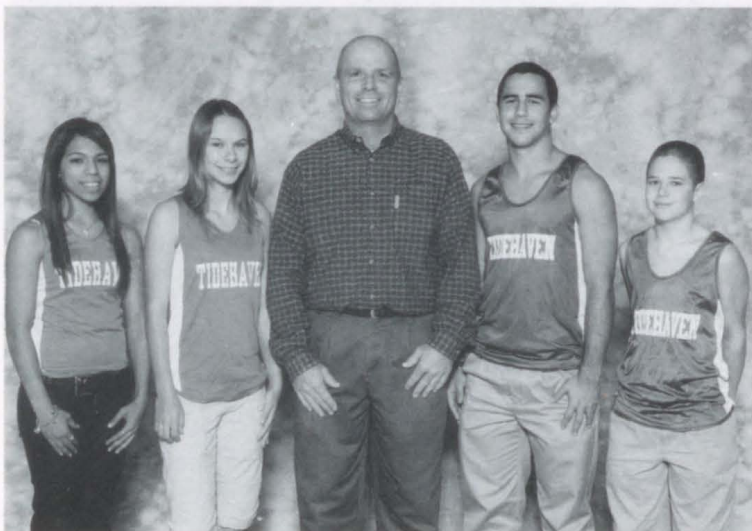


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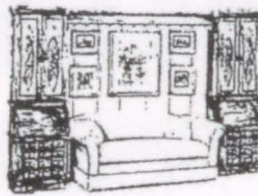


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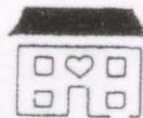
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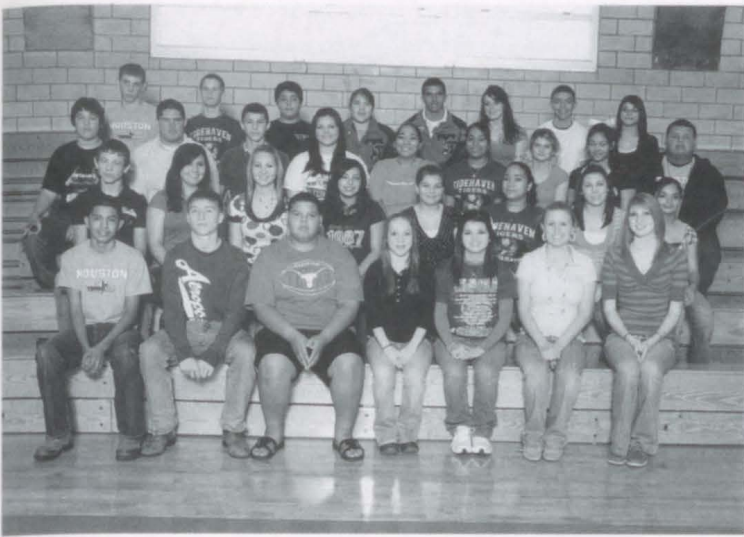
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Junior Varsity Basketball: Coach Clarence Jones - seated. Sterling Sliva, Justin Laslie, Robert Cruz, Garrod Villareal, Jimmy Leatherwood, Kole Mitchell, Cristiano Falcao Neto, Robert Franco.

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Junior Varsity Baseball: Front: Ross Davant, Sean Dannels, Jerome Verron, Jimmy Leatherwood. Back: Coach Aaron Garcia, Kole Mitchell, Mark Sptak, Dylan Nemeck, Coach Alfred Rosa.

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Golf: Front: Yanesa Longoria, Angelica Palomares, Daniela Palomares, Lucia Palomares. Back: Coach Ken Ballinger, Jordan Taska-Genzer, Joshua Kirby, Wld Crawford, Kole Mitchell, Chade Joiner, Pam Joiner, Khauffeur.



Softball: Brooke Holzapfel, Amanda Gonzales, Kate Steffek, Chelsea Perez, Kyla Calzada, Coach Carrie York, Sara backup, Jessica Neuman, Coach John Mathys, Briana Cruz, Victoria Vargas Perez, Brittney Nash, Shelby Dreymla, Tiffany Vargas Perez.



Track: Front: Jessica Reyes, Briana Rozner, Karissa McKisick, Alexis Garcia. Back: Amber Garcia, Emily Tsika, Coach J.J. Woods, Kourtney McKisick, Amy Lezck, Essence Saucedo.

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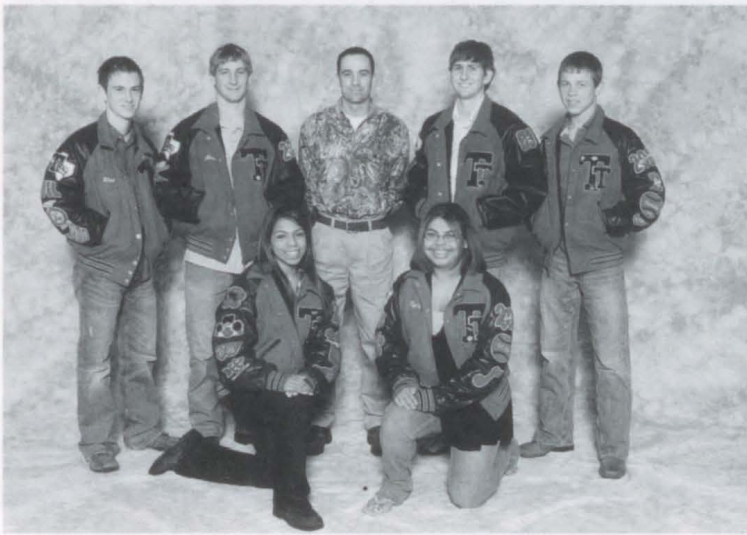
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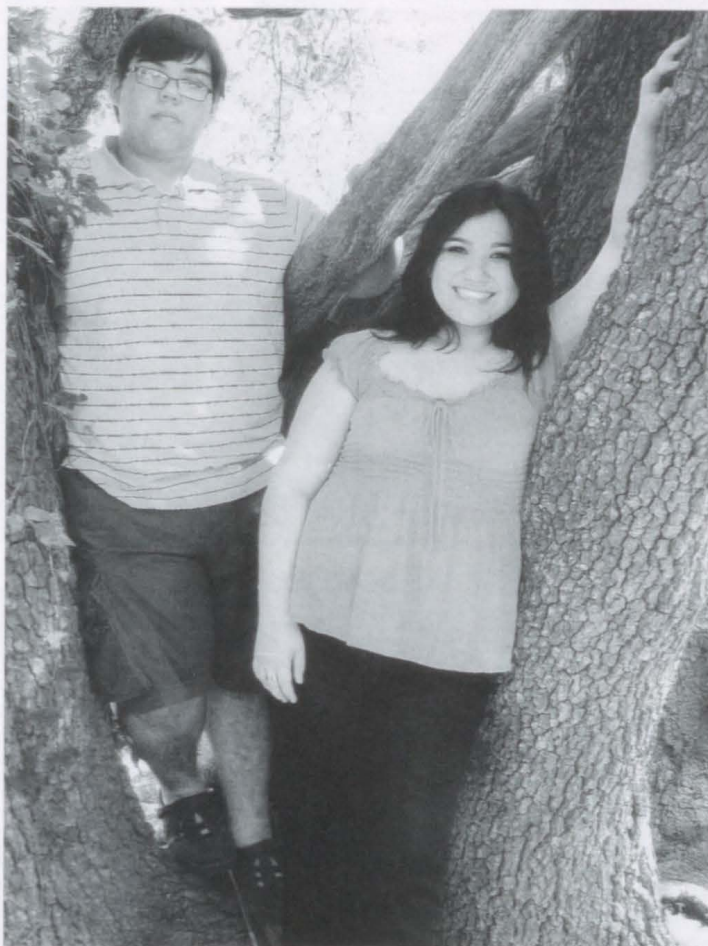


Kaitlin & Robert Sanchez

Congratulations,
Robert & Kaitlin!!

We are so very proud of you both
and your many
accomplishments!!
Love, Mom & Dad

*Parents can
only give
good advice
or put them
on the right paths,
but the final forming
of a person's
character
lies in
their own hands.
-Anne Frank*



Catherine Emily Tsika



It was only for a moment that you were ours to hold.
The plans that heaven has for you will all too soon unfold.
So many different prayers we'll pray, for all that you might do.
Most of all we want to know you are walking in the truth.

May passion be the wind that leads you through your days;
may conviction keep you strong and guide you on your way.
May there be many moments that make your life so sweet.

It's not living if you don't reach for the sky.
We'll have tears as you take off; but we'll cheer as you fly.

We pray that God will fill your heart with dreams;
and that faith will give you courage to dare to do great things.

We're here for you whatever this life brings.
So let our love give you roots and help you find your wings.

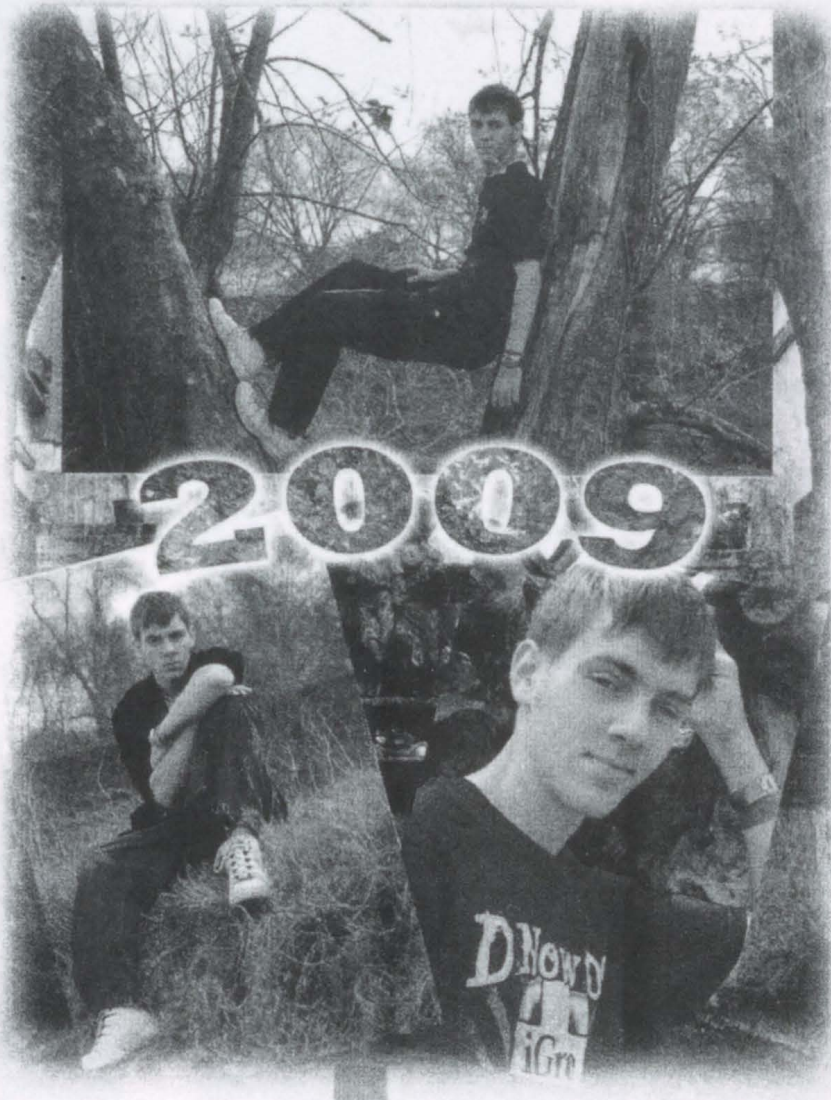
We love you dearly and could not be prouder of the decisions you are making for your future.

Congratulations!!

**Dad, Mom,
Demetri, Marlee, and Zeke**



Bradley Wayne Jackson



As does a bird leave it's nest, so does a child find wings.

*As you discover your world, know that the door through which you leave is
always open and that you are Loved so very much !*

Love,

Mom & Dad

May God give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed.

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Adam Webernich

Adam,

We are so proud of you and of all that you have accomplished.

Always remember:

May you have enough:

happiness to keep you sweet,

hope to keep you happy,

success to keep you eager,

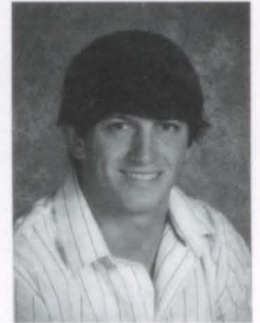
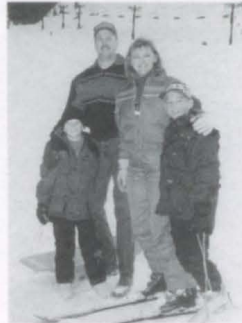
friends to give you comfort,

enthusiasm to keep you looking forward, and

determination to make each day better than yesterday!

We Love You and Good Luck in the Future!

Mom, Dad and Zack



Jasmine Cortez

We are so proud of you!

We knew you could do it.

God Bless You Always.

We Love You!
Your Family,

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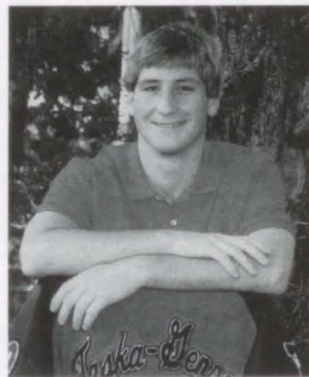
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Jordan Taska-Genzer



Jordan,

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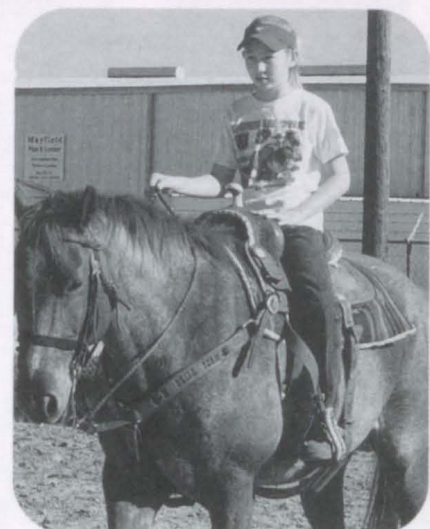
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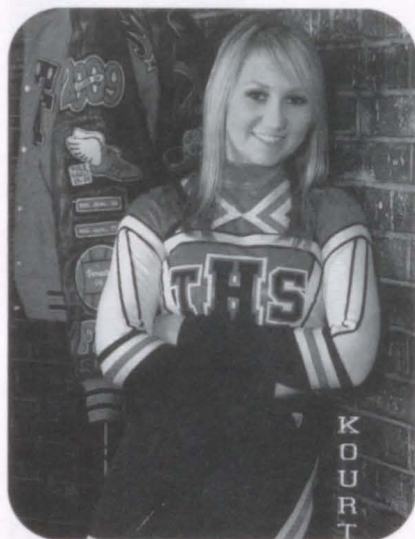


-KOURTNEY-

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BLESSED US
WITH A
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BROUGHT JOY TO OUR LIVES FROM
THE DAY YOU WERE BORN. WE ARE
SO VERY PROUD OF YOUR MANY
ACCOMPLISHMENTS, AND THE BEAUTIFUL YOUNG LADY YOU
HAVE BECOME. KEEP REACHING FOR THE STARS AND
DON'T EVER LOSE SIGHT OF YOUR DREAMS.

LOVE, MOM, DAD & KARISSA



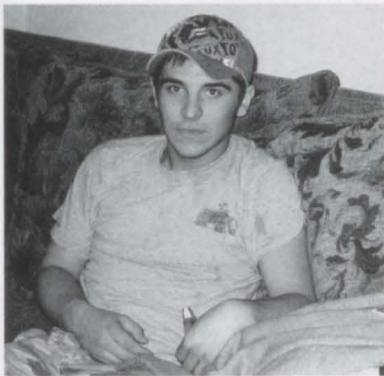


Crystal Harvey

Crystal,
Wherever the future may lead,
May you always have the wisdom and
strength to follow your
dreams,
The courage and ambition
to meet new challenges,
And may you know the
happiness and pride that
come with success.

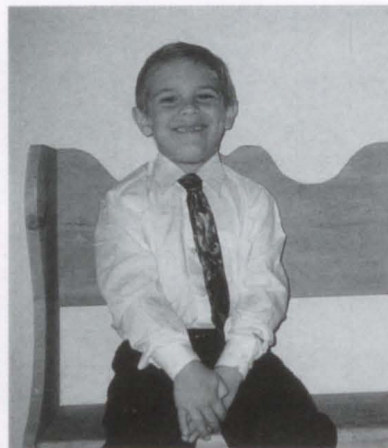
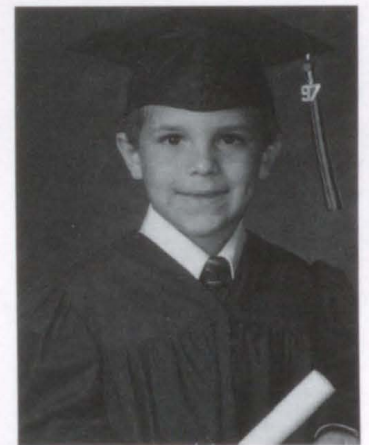


We are very
proud of you
and love you
very much,
Dad, Mom,
and Jessica



Luke Taylor Ledwig

One way to get the
most out of life is to
look upon it as an
adventure.



We are so proud of you
& wish you the best!
May God Bless &
Guide You Always.
We Love You!
Mom, Dad, & Meaghan

Colophon:

The four staff members are proud to present the 2009 The Tiger, volume 59, to the students and faculty of Tidehaven I.S.D.. The volume was originally priced at \$30 until the end of November and \$35 until the end of March, with a cover name included in the cost of the book. In April, the cost of the book was \$40 and did not include a cover name. Any unsold books were available on a first come basis in August with a price of \$45. The press run was 120 copies, consisting of 160 pages, including 16 pages of color. The book was printed on 80# enamel paper.

This 59th volume was printed by Taylor Publishing Company of Dallas at the El Paso plant. Our Taylor representative, Ryan Almon, was a tremendous help to the staff by using his fine eye for detail and also his wonderful support. Thanks, Ryan!

Staff members used the Elitevision yearbook computer program on four PCs to produce the yearbook. Many fonts were used throughout the book. These fonts included Eric in the Student Life section, Wanton, Christina and Rinna in the Sports section, and Christina, Import and Seville in the

Clubs and Academics section. In the Student section, fonts included Athena and Sundown. The Junior High section used Wanton and Nouveau fonts while the Elementary sections used Official Tyrant and Nouveau fonts.

Individual portraits for all four schools and the majority of group pictures were taken by LifeTouch Studios of Stafford, Texas. Candid photographs were primarily taken by staff photographers with some photos provided as a courtesy by others.

The Tiger is produced using only monies raised by staff members. Fundraisers include selling business and senior parent ads for the book, yearbook sales, providing supplies for football concession stands, and working volleyball and basketball concession stands.

For those who find our mistakes, please remember that we were high school students who dedicated ourselves to producing the best book we could. We were students in a learning environment, If we goofed, **we apologize.**

The yearbook is advised by Renee Huff.



The 2008-2009 staff members enjoy a celebration meal at the Olive Garden in Houston after a successful year of producing the yearbook. Staff members include Robert Sanchez, Ms. Renee Huff (adviser), Ashlee Lewis, Raquel Picon, and Nicole Tovar.

