

LIFE'S ? Little? Questions

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And some of the answers...





David Durham Superintendent

Let me first congratulate the students and their sponsor for this timepiece. The past is always the cornerstone for the present. This picture record of the 2000-2001 school year should provide immediate enjoyment but, as time goes by, serve to historically reflect on your school year's accomplishments. We should be quite proud and grateful for that, as this school year has been filled with remarkable victories and accomplishments.

This edition should provide many pleasant memories in the years to come. Cherish that.

Congratulations again and good luck into the future, as you realize your continued pursuit of excellence.

David C. Durham Superintendent





The 2000 - 2001 VVISD Administrative Staff

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Technology Crew

Darve Smith
Network Manager



Cindy Peters
Tech. Specialist





Ramona Moorhead PEIMS



Wayne Ramsey
Tech. Specialist



Mr. Spivey rides again!!

WE ASKED FACULTY

MEMBERS WHERE THEY

WOULD PUT THE NEXT

SURVIVOR T.V. SERIES

CHALLENGE...AND HERE'S

WHAT THEY SAID!



Christie Dement. VV Elementary

"Hawaii, lots of volcanoes, sandy beaches, hula girls, and hotels."



David Holubec, VV Elementary

"New York City - it's wild and crazy!"





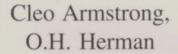
John O'Brien, E. Rudd

"Alaska, it's cold and brutal."



Frances Baird, E. Rudd

"Hawaii, a beautiful tropical place."



"Van Vleck, it's home turf and I'm familiar with it."



Bill Bickham, O.H. Herman

"Las Vegas. You should be given a set amount of money and see if you can survive after a period of time."





Thomas McReynolds, VVHS

"Van Vleck High School.

To be a teacher here you have to deal with a lot of wild animals and it's hard to survive!"

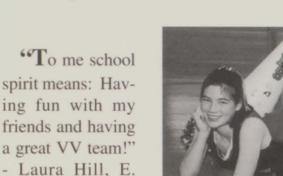


Heather Serrill, VVHS

"HEB under construction! The whole experience is a challenge and can change you forever!!:)"

Hamaning mums are one of the most prominent signs of spirit...

We asked some of you what spirit means to you...



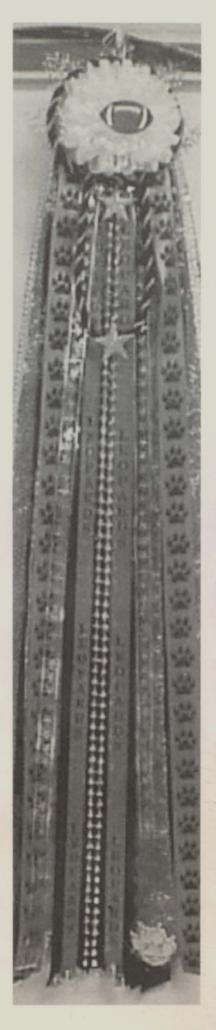
"Achieving a spot in playoffs in football, win the track meets, doing good in school, making the honor roll 2 times in a row, getting to go to prom for the first time, supporting other friends in other sports. Being friendly, courteous and pleasant to everyone, from students to teachers and any other school personnel I meet. Being friendly and a good example to others when at school functions that are at other schools." - Michael Wallace, VVHS

Rudd Intermediate

"To me spirit means to cheer for your team. To encourage them and pump them up. Spirit also means to dress up in your school colors and show school pride."-Sadie Dykes, O.H.









Jarryd Raynes, Kristi Steinmann and James Hayden are happy seniors - their class won the hall decoration contest!



The mascot (Joy Peters) is one of the most spirited characters in the district!



Costumes were one of the spirit day themes during Homecoming Week. Other themes included Pajama Day and Hat Day.





John Freeman shows his spirit with a victory 'V'!







Some groups combine their spirit - makes it all the more powerful...



Others show thier spirit in a personal way...



A time for Homecoming

What it's all about... By Heather Serrill

Homecoming is that special time in the fall, when everyone can open up and let their school spirit really show...a time to gather with friends, family and the community to show support for the home team. Homecoming is a week-long celebration that carries with it many events and memories to last a lifetime.

This year was no different. Friday October 13 - usually not a day to bring good luck, but for the Leps, it was a very lucky day! Ribbons from mums were flowing in the breezes, carried along with the jingle of their bells, the cheer of the crowds, and the ever powerful music of the band...the kind of music that just grabs the spirit right out of you. A full moon lit the night as the Leopards took the win over Louise to bring a perfect end to Homecoming Week. Everyone was involved, from Pre-K to Seniors, parents, teachers, and even those who came home for the events...and the spirits of those who are now gone were there watching over us...



The whole district turned out for the pep rally festivities! Everyone had a blast!

Mary Kelly, 2000 Homecoming Queen





The Homecoming Queen Nominees: JoeAnna Moreno, Kelly Gaubatz, Canitra Polk, Melody Crain, and Mary Kelly. Looking beautiful girls!!



Left: You don't have to have have a big head to have spirit...but it's good for a laugh!!



Mr. Durham investigates the broken spirit chain...



Left: The teachers from the high school even got in on the action!



Above: The football players showed their Homecoming spirit through interpretive dance...

Elementary students were happy to break the spirit links!

If you could be anyone else in the world, who would it be and why??



Jacob Bill, Pre-K
"Spiderman. He
makes spider webs!"



Megan Stell, Kindergarten Megan would be her sister Amanda. Her

sister Amanda. Her sister trusts her in anything she tells her.

Rebecca Peters, First grade

Mrs. Roberson.

"She's nice, and I want to be a teacher."



Cody Lantelme, Second grade

"Emmit Smith, he has a rushing record in football."



Terrence Bell & Selena Jimenez, 3rd



"Michael Jordan, I want to dunk!"

"Christina Aguilera, she has a lot of money!"



Brittany Smith,
Fourth Grade
"I would like to be
Michelle Matchett
because she is really
smart and I would like
to get to do the things

she does."

Michael Alliniece, Fifth Grade

'Vince Carter, because he won the dunking contest."



Chelsea Woodard, Sixth Grade

"Sheryle Swoopes.

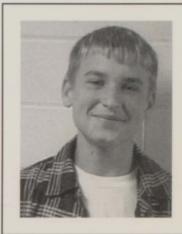
She's a good
basketball player and
she's a good
example for kids."





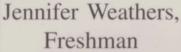
Holly Weeks, Seventh Grade

"Anna Kournikova, because she's athletic and beautiful."



Jeremy Ryman, Eighth Grade

"Tiger Woods. He makes a lot of money!"



"Bart Simpson, he's funny and he gets away with everything and he has a T.V. show."



Otis Petteway, Sophomore

"Snoop Dogg, because of his personality and his beliefs, Also because he has all the women!!"





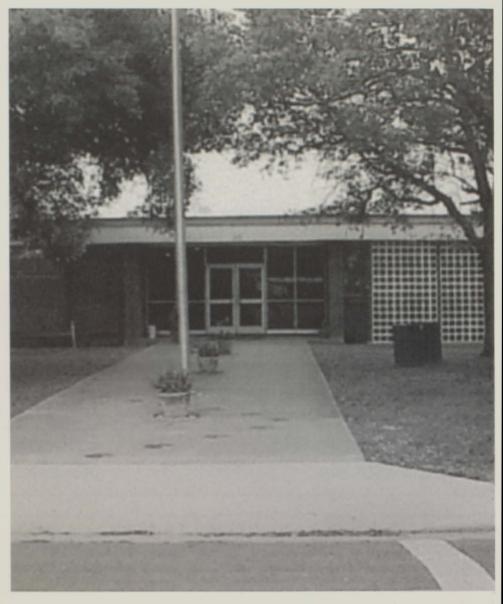
Amelda Mendieta, Junior

"Willie Wonka, because he owned the Chocolate Factory!"



Russell Schwirtlich, Senior

"Brad Pitt, he get's all the women!!"



Why buy an annual?

One of the foundations of growing up in America is public school. An average 18 year old will have spent around 32000 hours in school related activities. The story of a person's early life is a story of school life.

One of the things I most enjoy about small schools is the annual. Typically it contains every child in the district. If a child spends their 32000 hours in one district, you can follow their life in an annual. Take a look at this year's Seniors. Now find an annual from 1997-98. What a change. Find an annual from 1989-90 and check out thos same seniors.

Now take a look at the pictures of their activities. That kid with the wide eyes and gap tooth smiole, riding a stick horse in elementary school is now shooting a jump shot in a district basketball game. The fifth grader holding up a UIL medal is now receiving an honors diploma. That seventh grader, who obviously hates to be standing beside a girl, now is a prom king. The story of a young man or woman unfolds before your eyes.

Check out the teachers! Did he really have that much hair back then? Wow, she was pretty good looking in her day. So that is what they looked like when they were skinny! The comings and going of staff, teachers and administrators also chronicles the life of the school.

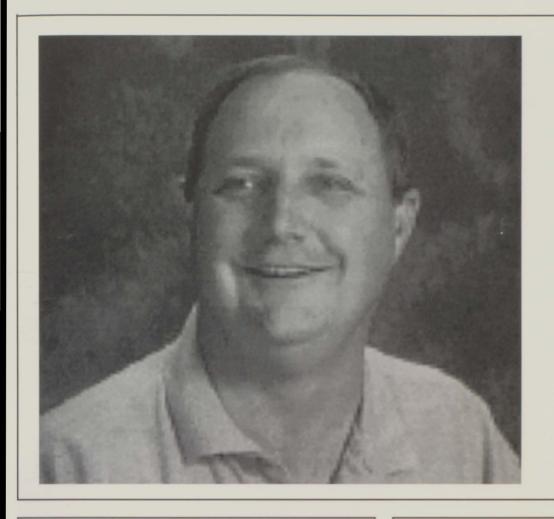
Sports activities, band, dances, field days, candid shots...they are all there.

Some of the best and worst memories are also captured by the pictures that are missing: classmates who were in one annual but not the next, pages dedicated to those who are now gone, the thrill of victory and agony of defeat. All of these things are in this annual.

There are memories already made and there are also memories that will be made in the future contained within these pages. Every class reunion, every future headline made about a classmate, every time old friends get together and argue over who beat who in that game, every time someone becomes famous or infamous, the annual will be brought out to validate an old memory.

As principal, I hope the memories found in this annual will bring joy to your life. Hold on to this annual and revisit it once in a while. Every ten years or so, look at your picture while standing in front of a mirror. I promise you the gift of a smile or a tear. I hope your memories of this small school in rural Texas will be fond ones and will continue to contribute to you life every time you take a look "way back when."

Bill Spivey Principal

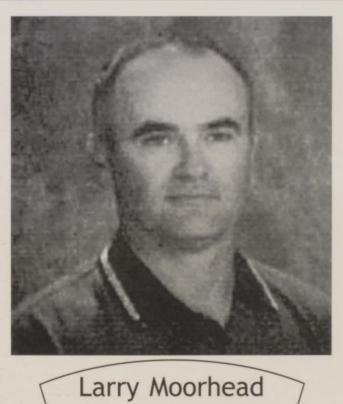


Bill Spivey Principal



Karen Stafford

Secretary

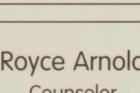


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& Athletics

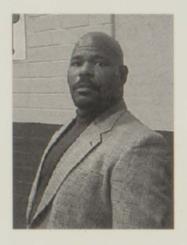








Coach Vicars: "Did I remember to tape Sports Center??"



Coach Chew: "I make this look good!!"



Face it, Mrs. Kopnicky. There's no escaping the wrath of Jarryd Raynes!

The 2000 - 2001 **VVHS** Faculty

Rodney Allen Douglas Anderson



Karise Cheatham



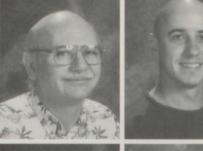
Judy Dykes David Farned Irma Gamez

Dolores Garcia Longina Huerta Janice Kopnicky



Bobby Lantelme Angelica Martinez Wayne McBee



















Mary McKinney Kristen McReynolds Thomas McReynolds



Mrs. Wolfe: "I'd rather be grading essay papers!"



Mrs. Cheatham: "So what's your excuse THIS time??"



Mrs. Stafford and Mrs. Moorhead in their jammies for spirit day!

Mrs. Ottis: "Now where can I stick that 'x' to REALLY confuse them??"

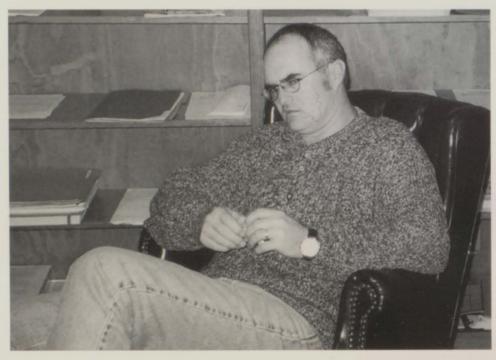


Coach Lantelme: "Don't be skerred!"





Left: Coach Moorhead: "No! Go away! Get your own!!"

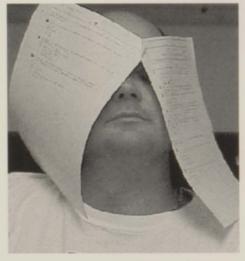




Above: "Hey, Mr. Anderson!! Nice legs!!"

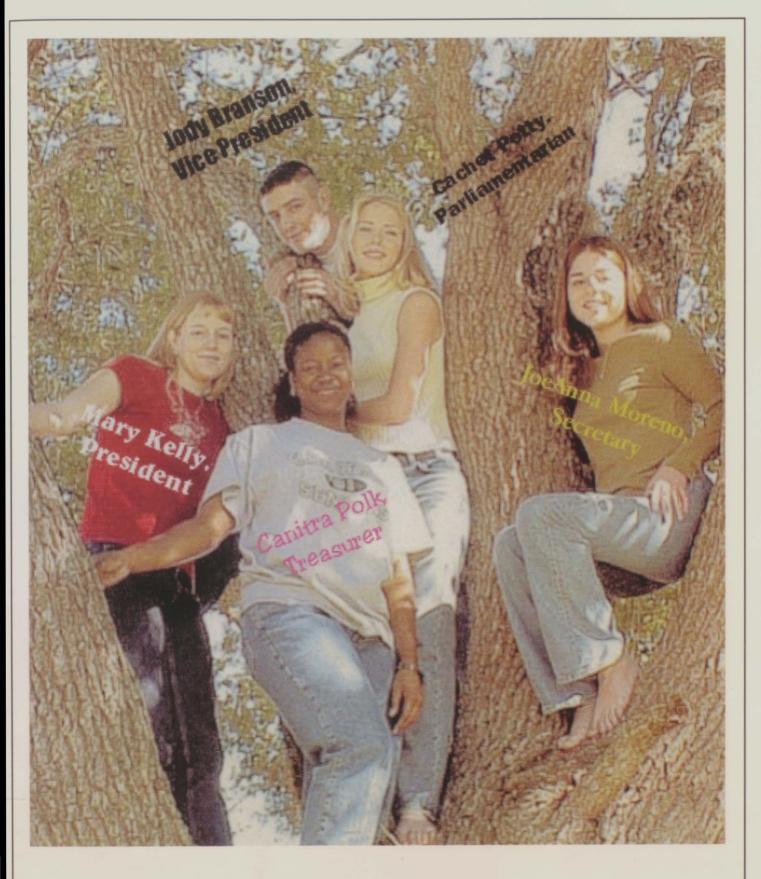


Mrs. McKinney and Mrs. Spivey: "We have team spirit!"

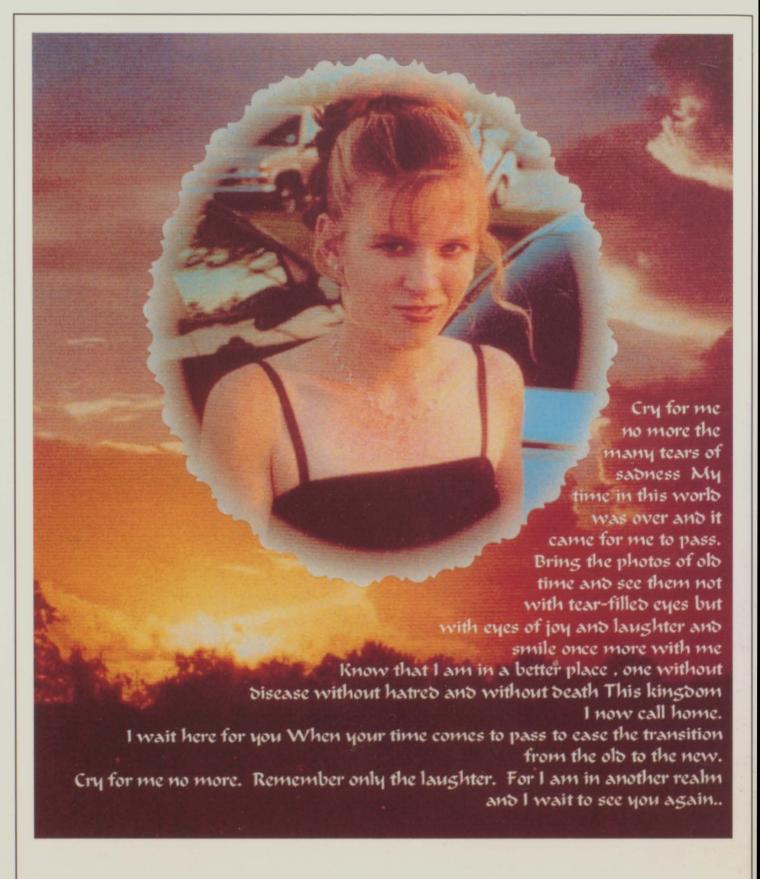


Coach Patterson: Teaching through telepathy...





Seniors of 2001



Rebecca L. Stafford

Sissy Austin and her rewarding charm...



Since her accident, Sha'Tonya "Sissy" Austin has made a major improvement. She is attending Cherry Elementary where she recieves physical therapy for learning. She progresses each and every day and still has that positive outgoing attitude! - Contributed by Canitra Polk and Candace Woodard

Sissy gives Darren a little smooch on her birthday...

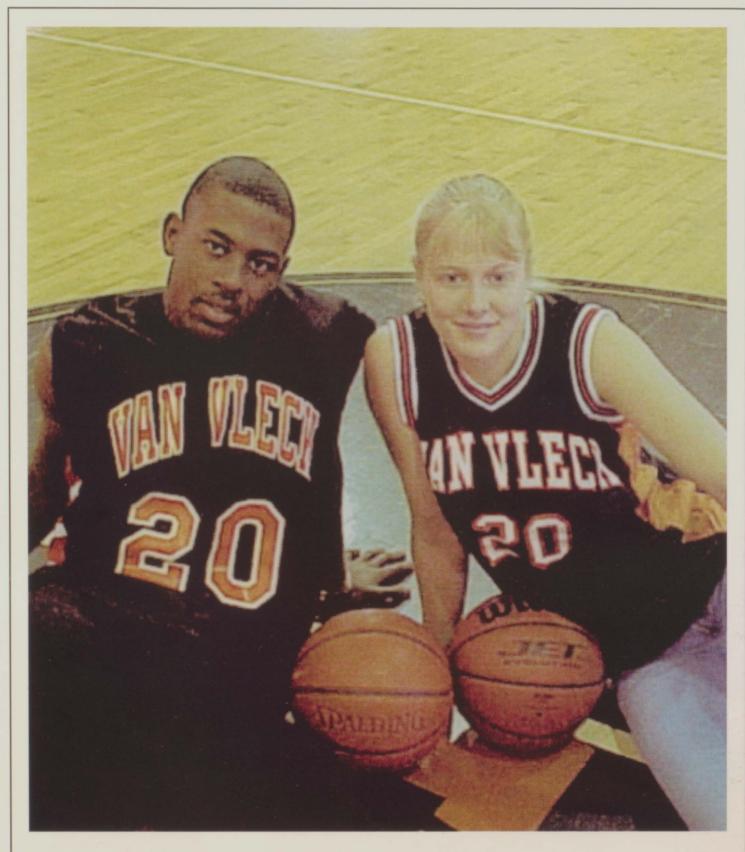


Sissy celebrates her birthday with her friends and family.





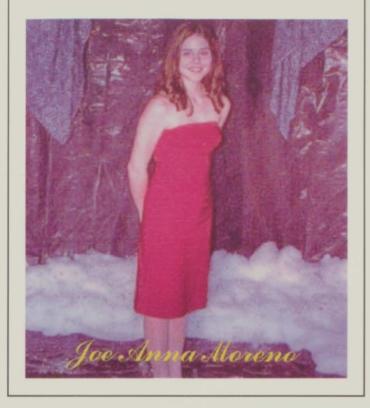
Now that's an irresistable smile! We love you, Sissy!

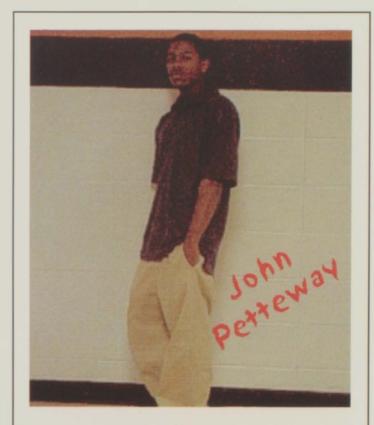


Darren Floyd and K.K. Kelly

Mr. and Ms. Van Vleck High School Most Athletic Boy and Girl

Most Beautiful Best Dressed Girl Friendliest Girl

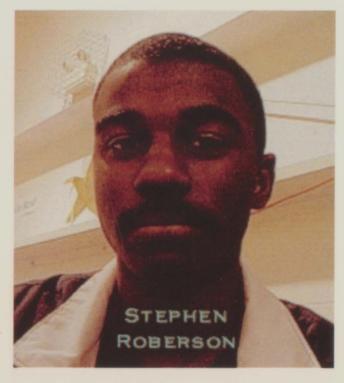




Best Dressed Boy

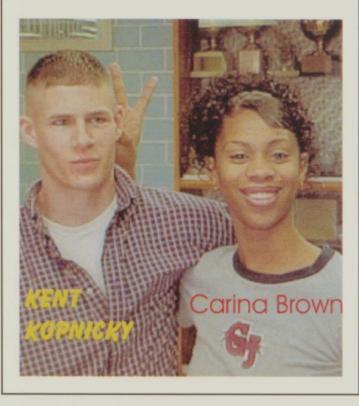
Most Handsome

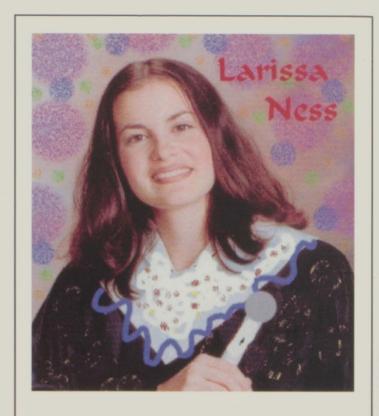




Friendliest Boy

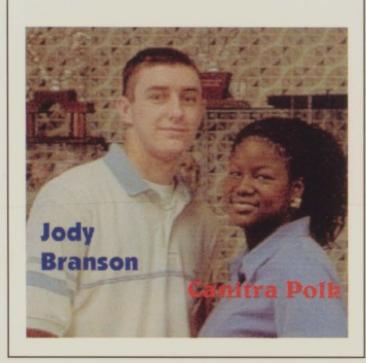
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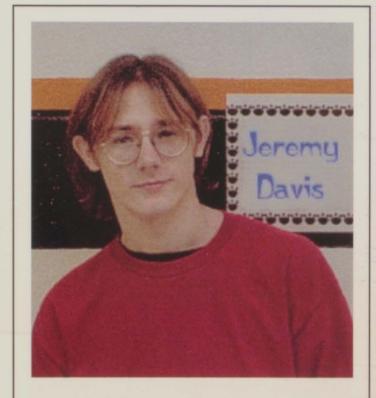




Most Likely to be a Singer

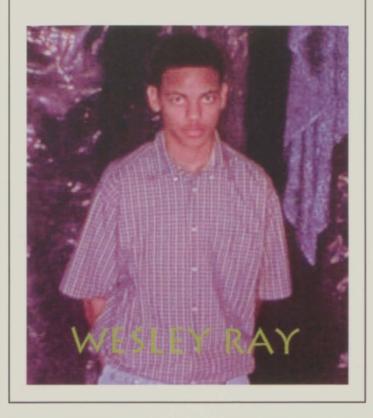
Most Dependable

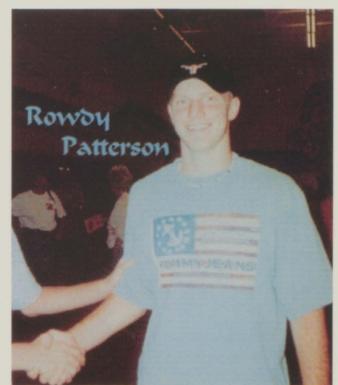




Most Likely to be a Scientist

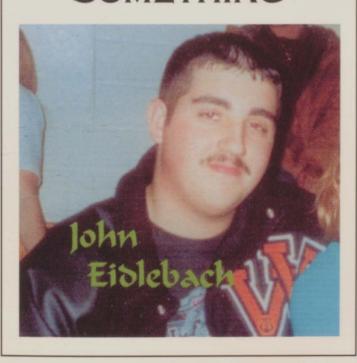
Most Likely to go to the Olympics

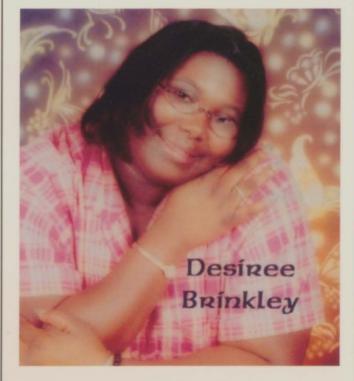




MOST LIKELY TO BE PRESIDENT

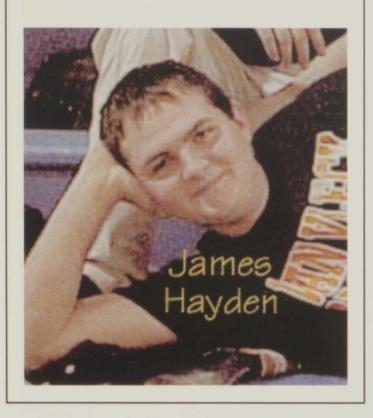
MOST LIKELY TO INVENT SOMETHING





Most Likely to be a Talk Show Host

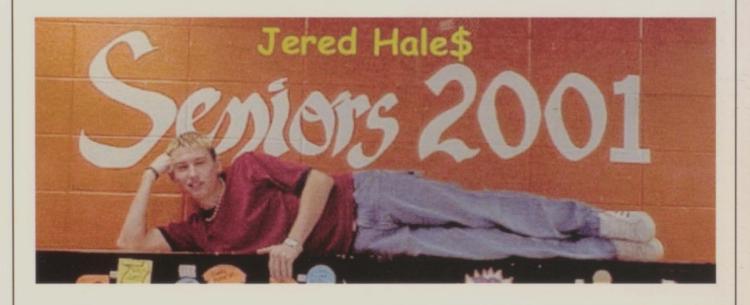
Most Likely to be Late to Graduation





Biggest Flirt

Mo\$t Likely to be Rich and Famou\$ Most Likely to be a Game Show Host





Daniel Aguilar



Jillian R. Austin



Jody G. Branson



Desiree A. Brinkley



Carina B. Brown



Jessica C. Butler



Amanda L. Calk



Kimberly E. Christmas



Melody A. Crain



Kenneth L. Danforth



Siena M. Dannelley



Jeremy L. Davis



Eric Dornak



John R. Eidlebach



Jerimiah J. Evans



George W. Fisher III



Darren D. Floyd



John D. Freeman



Kelly E. Gaubatz



Joseph R. Geracci



Brandon R. Griggs



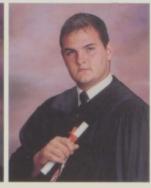
Jered D. Hales



Marcus L. Harris



James B. Hayden



Michael B. Hayden



J. Dawn Hodges



Dana R. Howard



Martin S. Huerta



Nicole L. Joiner



Mary K, Kelly



Anthony R. Kimmey



Kent J. Kopnicky



Kole J. Kopnicky



Kathleen M. Lannen Ya'Metria S. Lewis





Isedoll L. Mangum



Casey J. Meeks



Joe Anna Moreno



Larissa N. Ness



Chance R. Parson



P. Rowdy Patterson



John E. Petteway



Cachet L. Petty



Canitra G. Polk



Wesley L. Ray



Jarryd G. Raynes





Sharita L. Roberson Stephen K, Roberson



Tony L. Ross



Russell L. Schwirtlich



Jason D. Sciba



Daniel T. Shalley



Danielle H. Signer



Rachel F. Simmons



Stanley L. Spurr



Kristi L. Steinmann



Thomas D. Swist



Amanda L. Thompson



Casey L. Turner



Joseph Van Druten

Cathy J. Waggoner

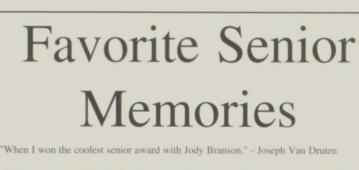


Candace M. Woodard



Krystle L. Wyse





"I will always remember playing Spades with Becky, Nicci, and Jessica in Mr. Moore's Physics class." - Dawn Hodges

"My favorite memory is jumping out the school window in class, running home and grabbing my speech paper before the teacher came back." - Michael Hayden

"When I hit Daniel Aguilar's truck and left a dent. He was pretty mad." - Kristi

"In my sophomore year at lunch James Hayden pulled my chair from under me and I fell flat on my behind, but the most embarrassing part was I had on a skirt!" - Candace

"Standing at Area Marching Band competition when they announced, '...and the 2nd AA Marching Band to represent Area G at State Marching Competition is......Van VLeck!' " - Nicole Joiner

"Favorite memory is having 5 different principals within 3 years, and also going to the playoffs in football my senior year." - Kurt Freeman

"Advancing to the playoffs, and making the last tackle of our season." - Thomas Swist

"Meeting the love of my life, Angelica Martinez!" - Kole Kopnicky

"Giving teachers stress, learning how to do absolutely nothing, playing dominoes, inventing the question mark, and two days later I invented the exclamation mark." -Kent Kopnicky

"Being called the coolest senior with Joseph Van Druten. When we stood in cold ice water for 30 minutes." - Jody Branson

"Cinco de Mayo Day (water fight)." - John Petteway

"When I got to be on the basketball team that went to state." - Wesley Ray

"The party and hanging out on weekends." - Siena Dannelley

"When I moved here four HOTT chicks asked me to sit with them at lunch!" - Jarryd

"When we all had a big water fight during Cinco de Mayo for Spanish." - Jerimiah

"Cachet- Biology - Cachet flashes Rowdy (along with the whole class)!!! Corpus Christi, 1999 - Band goes to State. Colorguard tryouts, 1998 - New colorguard captain is....Kathleen Lannen!" - Kathleen Lannen

"Traveling to Austin for Basketball." - D. Harmony Signer

"My junior year there was the A.E.P. Band Crew with Tank Plunkett, Daniel Barker, Tommy Boyle, Kole Kopnicky and me. We were taking a picture of us at attention when Mr. McBee says, 'ARE YOU MOTIVATED?' The A.E.P chant started, and the looks we received were priceless." - Jeremy Davis

"One day in Ag, I was trying to stop Edward from fighting so he wouldn't get in trouble. I guess I tried too hard about getting involved because I was the one hit with the hard hat instead of Edward! - Cathy Waggoner

"Field Day, Freshman Year. CRAZY!" - Cachet Petty

"My favorite high school memory is a collection of all 3 years. Since I'm graduating early I gained the nickname C.o.K (Class of Kim). Although it sounds mean, it will always hold a special place with me." - Kimberly Christmas

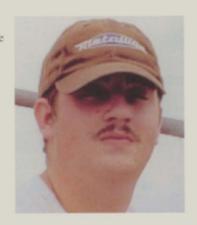
Class of 2001

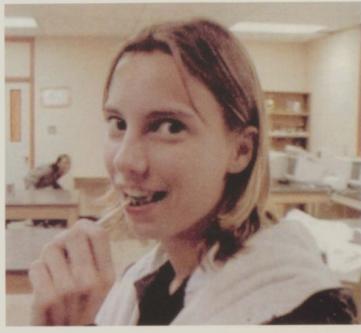
(Right) We all knew Ya'Metria Lewis was that little voice that made Kathleen Lannen do bad things...

John Eidlebach: Trying to use the Force again??

SENIORS

(Below) Cachet Petty has found a new way to hone in on her artistic talents...or maybe she's just losing it....









(Above) Jessica Butler ('01) and Garrett Quarles ('02) test the theories of Physics on Wedgies. The results were inconclusive...

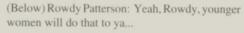


James Hayden's table dancing career came to an abrupt end when he discovered his fear of heights...Daniel Shalley, however, feels right at home.

It's a Senior kind of thing...



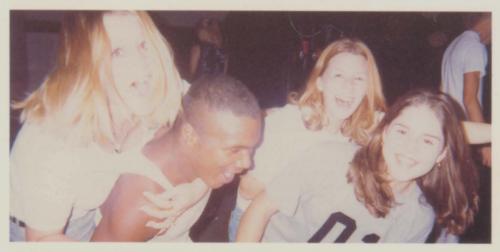
Larissa Ness and Dawn Hodges were naturals with spray adhesive and glitter...







Joseph Van Druten, John Eidlebach, Anthony Kimmey, Kristi Steinmann, and Jody Branson -They are actually doing work...the world is ending!



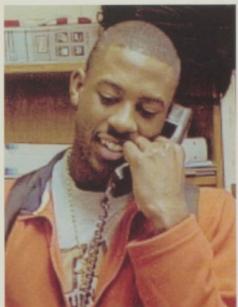
Kelly Gaubatz, Isedoll Mangum, Melody Crain and Joe Anna Moreno: Yep, Isedoll, that "Biggest Flirt" thing is really clear now...



Amanda Thompson, flower child, born about 30 years too late...



Darren Floyd: "I'd like four chili cheese dogs, 2 large orders of fries, four double burgers with cheese...and a large Diet Coke...to go.



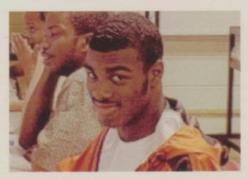


(Below) Canitra Polk is the ray of sunshine to make Daniel Aguilar's day!



(Left) Kathleen Lannen, Jessica Butler, Ya'Metria Lewis and Candace Woodard: "SUPERSTAR!!!"





George Fisher: "If you knew what I knew, you wouldn't get this look from me!!!"





Kurt Freeman: "I lock da spauce!"

2001 Seniors Rule!!!!!







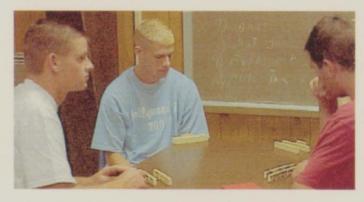


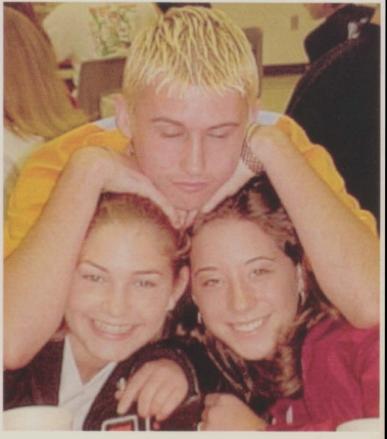












Senior Brags!

Cachet Petty: Band, 4 yrs., saxophone;
Regional band participant -9, 11, 12; Drum
major-11, 12; State Marching Band; Superior,
Best in Class, Grand Champion, and All Star
Performances at UTSA; MA Drum Major Camp;
NHS Service Committee chairman, Constitution
committee for NHS; Student Council Service
chairman; NHS - 11,12; Student Council, 4 yrs.;
Cross Country regional participant, 4 yrs.;
Varsity CC MVP; Varsity Tennis; JV Volleyball;
Varsity Basketball; Art and Assisstant Editor of
Yearbook Staff; Several running awards;
Spanish Club and BPA; Class officer- 9,12;
Friendliest - 10; Theater Arts, UIL 4 yrs.

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Jarryd Raynes: Football, Basketball, Track and Cross Country, Spanish Club, Student Council, FCA, NHS, Yearbook Editor in Chief, Mad crazy game at 42 and wizard skill at TFC. Also successful alternate at UIL.

Kathleen Lannen: JV Volleyball, 9; JV Basketball, 9; Ag, 9; Band 4 yrs.; Colorguard, Captain, 10 - 12; MA Summer 2000; Superior Solo Award, Outstanding Performance Award, Best in Class Award, All Star Award, Honor Rol Award, Spirit Award, Grand Champion Award. As a result of these I was invited to perform in the New Year's Eve Citrus Bowl half-time show in Orlando, FL. Band Secretary 4 yrs.; Band Librarian 4 yrs.; First person to ever be in Colorguard all 4 years at VVHS.

D. Harmony Signer: I have many accomplishments in HS. I have been able to work AND keep my grades up for NHS. I've beenin Student Council as well as participated in sports. I've gone to regionals for COmputer Science and received a medal. My weekly routine was work, school, sports, and church on Sundays. Very rarely do I have any free time! Candace Woodard: Drama Club 1 yr.; BPA, 4 yrs.; Student Council, 4 yrs.; Spanish Club 1 yr.; FFA 1 yr.; Varsity Cheerleader 1 yr.; Yearbook 1 yr.; Junior Class VP; FCA 2 yrs.; JV Tennis 1 yr.; Band 1 yr.; Outstanding English Student, Soph. yr.; Honor Roll, Jr.-Sr.; UIL Competition 3 yrs.

Joseph Van Druten: I was in Football and Track, and baseball my senior year and Junior year.

Kenneth Danforth: Only took four years.

Joanna Dawn Hodges: Band 4 yrs.; Uniform
Captain 4 yrs.; Member of All Region Band, 9;
District UIL Marching Contest 1st Division 4
yrs.; Area Marching Competition-9,11; Start
Marching COmpetition, 11 (10th of AA Bands in
Texas); District Solo and Ensemble Contest 1st
Division 4 yrs.; State Solo and

Ensemble Contest, 10-11, 2nd Division on flute; Straight As 9-11; Outstanding Achievement in Chemistry, 10; 3rd place District UIL Editorial Writing - Advanced to Regionals; State Board of Education rocognition for Education Excellence, 11; NHS, 11-12; President of NHS, 12; Student Council, 12; Drama Club Member; 12.

<u>Daniel Aguilar</u>: VArsity Footbal ,9-10; Awards for Most Improved Student and for ag for Management Landscaping; Nominee for Most Likely to be Late for Graduation.

Kristi Steinmann: FFA 4 yrs.; Golf 4 yrs. (District Champ and MVP 2000); Volleyball, 9-10; Reserve Showmanship Champion Lamb, 9; Student Council 3 yrs.

Nicci Joiner: Regional Ban 4 yrs.; Area Band; State Solo and Emsemble; Head Drum Major; Section Leader; NHS.

<u>Cathy Waggoner:</u> Student Council 4 yrs.; Spanish Club, 10; Softball, 11; Track, 11; FFA, 9-10.

Jody Branson: FFA, 9-11; Football, 9,11,12; Basketball, 9; Baseball, 9,11,12; Christina Jacobs, 11/10/99 - present; Senior Class VP; Best Dressed in 10th grade.

Wesley Ray: Cross Country, Basketball, Baseball and Football.

Kelly Gaubatz: Mascot 1 yr.; Golf 3 yrs.; Volleyball 1 yr.; BPA 1 yr.; Who's Who Among American Students 1 yr.; Homecoming Court; Informative Speaking 2 yrs. at UIL.

Thomas Swist: Football - Varsity, 2nd All Area; Honorable Mention- Linebacker with 110 tackles; Varsity Powerlifter.

Kent Kopnicky: Wittiest 4 yrs.; Band 2 yrs.; Throwed Young Playa 4 yrs.; Goat Herder 4 yrs.; Boot Camp 4 yrs.

Canitra Polk: Student Council, 9-10; Varsity Cheerleader 3 yrs.; Varsity Basketball 4 yrs.(1st Team All District, 10; MVP, 11; 1st Team All Region, 11); Varsity Volleyball 4 yrs.; 2nd Team Volleyball All District, 11-12; Yearbook, 9,12; Friendliest, 11; BPA, 12; Who's Who Among American Students; Sr. class Treasurer; Homecoming Court.

Kole Kopnicky: 9th- Region band concert member, Division I rating in Class 3 Solo, Student Council member; 10th- Division I rating at State Solo Ensemble, Spanish Club, UIL Spelling; 11th- Boys State Alternate, FCA member, Region Concert Band Member, Junior Class Treasurer; 12th - NHS member, FCA member, UIL Debate Team.

Jeremy Davis: Freshman year was awarded 1st chair concert band for UIL, Sophomore and Junior year was 2nd chair Symphonic band for UIL. Made 1st Division all three years in Solo Ensemble. Was in powerlifting my sophomore year, and a memn\ber of the AEP Band Crew. George Fisher: 11th- JV Basketball; Who's Who Among American Students, 11-12; Student Council, BPA, Yearbook, 12. Kurt Freeman: Varsity Football 4 yrs., Honorable Mention Right Guard, Advanced to playoffs; Band 4 yrs., Concert Region 1 yr., advanced to State Marching Contest; NHS 2 yrs.; Student Council 2 yrs.; FCA 2 yrs. Kimberly Christmas: National English Merit Award winner; NHS; Drama Club, One Act Play

K.K. Kelly: Band 4 yrs., 1st Div. Solo & Ensemble; 2 yr. State Solo & Ensemble 10-11: Region Band, Musician First Class: Varsity Basketball 4 yrs., Honorable mention -9, 1st Team All District, 10-11, 2nd Team All Region, 10-11. Varsity Volleyball 3 yrs., 2nd Team All District-10, 1st Team All District, 11-12. Matagorda Advocate MVP of Matagorda County. Track- 11, 2nd in 200m Dash. Advanced to Regionals. Class Officer: President, 9, 12; Vice President, 11. Cross Country - 12, 2nd in District, advanced to Regionals. NHS 2 yrs., Parliamentarian- 12. Tennis 2 yrs, Varsity Doubles. FCA 2 yrs., Secretary-11,12. BPA 2 yrs., VP-11. Class Favorites: Wittiest- 9, Most Dependable- 11. Ya'Metria Lewis: Freshman Class VP; Varsity Cheerleader; Junior Class President; Student Council 2 yrs.; Freshman Volleyball: Varsity Volleyball 3 yrs., MVP, Newcomer of the Year, 1st Team All District, Honorable Mention 2nd Team All District, Team Captain, Varsity Basketball 4 yrs., Purple Heart Award, 2nd Team All District Honorable Mention, Team Captain. Spanish Club 1 yr.; Yearbook Staff 1 yr.; NHS; Colorguard 1 yr.; Varsity Track 1 yr., MVP Triple Jump Third Place District. Daniel Shalley: Baseball 4 yrs., 1st Team All District Pitcher- 11. Varsity Football 2 yrs. Varsity Tennis 3 yrs., Tennis MVP- 10. Varsity Track-12. JV Basketball 2 yrs. NHS Vice President. FCA, Treasurer- 11. American Legion Boys State, 11.

Michael Hayden: 9th grade: JV Football, Varsity Baseball, Varsity Regional Cross COuntry, Varsity Tennis, JV Basketball, Spanish Club, BPA State Qualifier, Band. 10th grade: JV Football, Varsity Baseball, Varsity Tennis, JV Basketball, Regional Cross Country, BPA State Qualif., Spanish Club VP, Band. 11th grade: Football, Var. Baseball, Var. Tennis, State Runner-up in Basketball, Regional Cross Country Perfect TAAS Score. 12th grade: Honorable Mention Football, Band.

Senior Last Will and Testament

- I, Ya'Metria Lewis, leave my humor and my intelligence along with my beauty to Terrishia Griggs and Sharra Smith in hope that they will continue to display these and continue to keep a smile every dayand all day. Love ya & I'll miss you! Don't look at me. Don't look at me, little Papi. Can I get a whoo whoo!
- I, Cachet Petty, leave my big back-pack, running shoes and drum major podium to Joy Peters. The back-pack because what she needs is in there, but she'll never find it. My shoes because-heythey belong to a runner. My podium? Anywho! Joy, make the best of it. And to Jonathan, I leave you my 23 cats and Ghost Buster Stay Puff doll. I wish you great success in H-E-B engineering. I also leave you the keys of an apartment that will accomodate your 23 cats and room for 5 more. Oh, and may the fleas of 1000 camels infest your armpits.
- I, Mary Kristina Kelly, leave my ability to keep God first in life, play aggressive, have fun and stay successful to Meghan, Katie, Kelli, and Lyndsey.
- I, Kimberly Christmas, leave my sense of humor and tolerance of picking to Amanda McIntosh so she will always stay happy and continually smile.
- I, Jarryd Raynes, leave my knowledge of women and my "wizard" skill in the MAC game to all the young playas, use it well.
- I, Kathleen Lannen, leave my amazing flag abilities to Kelli, Kaylynn, Krystal and Katie (the other "ks") in hopes that they will carry on my legacy of making the band fun to watch.
- I, Kenneth Danforth, leave my mad game to Allen David, maybe one day he will become great.
- I, Danielle Signer, leave my talents & intelligence to my one and only brother, Teddy Nathan. I leave him all my teachers and my good thoughts to get him through high school. I pass on positive thinking to help him graduate and reach his goals.
- I, Kole Kopnicky, leave the song "It's Raining Men" to Bill Spivey and to his stomach, the school snack bar.
- I, Wesley Ray, leave my basketball skills to Buck Austin.
- I, Siens Dannelley, leave my grades to Chase, so maybe he will graduate, too.
- I, Jody Branson, leave my locker, lady gettin' abilities, and cheating papers to my cousin Ranie Branson, who will hopefully follow in my footsteps!! You know I love you, cuz!
- I, Cathy Waggoner, leave my old raggedy books behind to my favorite juniors Amy Perez and Darla Cassle, in hopes that they obtain the knowledge that I didn't.

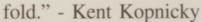
- I, Joseph Van Druten, give nothing to nobody, and hope nobody will like nothing I give them.
- I, Michael Haydem, bequeath my ability to grow a full beard in two days and not get caught to Israel Arellano.
- I, Daniel Aguilar, leave all my Brittney Spears pictures that are in my locker and my popularity and cuteness to my little cousin Armando Tabares.
- I, Kristi Steinmann, don't leave anything to anybody, because nobody gave me anything.
- I, Candace Woodard, leave my beauty, sense of humor, and my courageous characteristics to Adasha Marshall and hope that she will carry on the diva attitude.
- I, Kelly Gaubatz, leave my sense of humor to Darla Cassle to laugh and have fun. Also I leave my strength to Amy Perez to keep your head up and look forward. And my sister who will be a freshman to carry on the Gaubatz name.
- I, it be dat Kent, leave Mr. Spivey my love for Mayonnaise.
- I, Canitra Polk, leave Amber to sustain the family name and to keep you grades up. I also leave Terrisha Griggs my sense of humor and my sports abilities.
- I, Kurt Freeman, leave Garret Quarles, my best friend, all of my extra weight and the little smartness I have in me, in hopes to make him a better athlete and to score higher than an 870 on the SAT.
- I, T. Swist, will leave all my heart and courage to win on the football field to Byron Mack, keep it up Big B.
- I, George Fisher, leave Dwight Bell (aka Big Dee) my locker and some leftover chicken. Because I know he will be hungry!
- I, Jeremy Davis, leave my sax to Wendy Plunkett, my guitar to Zack, and my cast to whoever wants the smelly thing!
- I, Jered Hales, leave Jennifer to sustain the family name and to keep your grades up (unlike me), and to always stay in class and not roam the halls (unlike me), and to never get in trouble (unlike me).
- I, Daniel Shalley, leave to all the seniors to have fun your last year and to Katie Waits that I love her.



The Van Vleck High School Senior Class of 2001

<u> Flower</u>: Orange Rose

Motto: "For the future we pave and successfully mold, the past we must save and keep in a hold, for the present remember, always be brave and never



Song: "Higher" - Creed Colors: Orange and Black







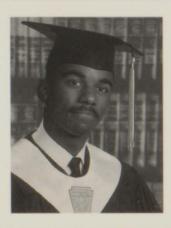
3. P. Rowdy Patterson

Plans: I plan to attend the University of Texas at Austin where I will major in Math Education. I want to be a teacher and a coach.

4. Kole Kopnicky

Plans: Sit on my thumb and then promptly attend Blinn College for two years followed by four years at Texas Chiropractic College.





5. Stephen Roberson

Plans: Attend the University of Texas and major in Computer Science.

6. Amanda Thompson

Plans: I am going to Texas A&M-Corpus Christi to study Psychology and earn a Ph. D.



Valedictorian

Dawn Hodges

"After high school, my plans are to attend Texas A&M University at college station. I plan to get my masters in Accounting and become a CPA."







Salutatorian

Nicci Joiner

"After high school, my plans are to attend Texas A&M University and earn a Bachelor's of Science in Marine Biology with a teaching certificate."





7. Larissa Ness

<u>Plans:</u> Further both my musical and theatrical education at college.



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8. Daniel Shalley

Plans: Attend college and get a good education and make my parents proud of me. I also plan on staying with my loving girlfriend, Katie Waits.

9. Jill Austin

Plans: Attend
Brazosport Junior
College and become
a Social Worker.





10. Kimberly Christmas

Plans: Attend Alvin Community College for a license in Massage Therapy. After that I hope to continue & maybe one day teach Massage Therapy.





Senior Class Trip

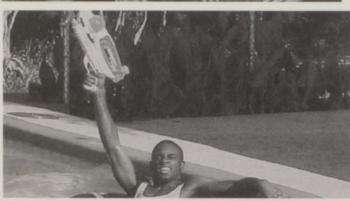
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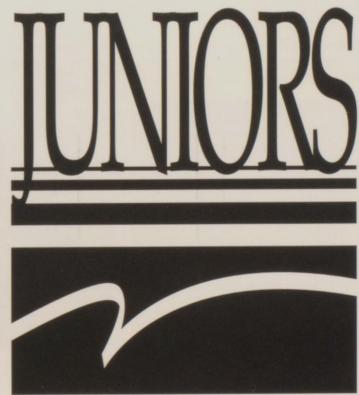




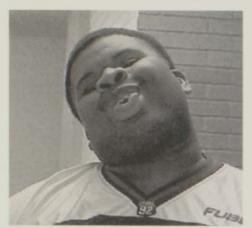
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Class Favorites: Kelli Waits and Jarvis Lemon





Byron Mack: Am I cute or WHAT????



Dusty Wendel: The tractor beam is drawing me in!! It's gonna get me!!!!





Left: Jonathan Lunsford, they do make protective eyewear.





....But Danial Clements gave up picking his friends.

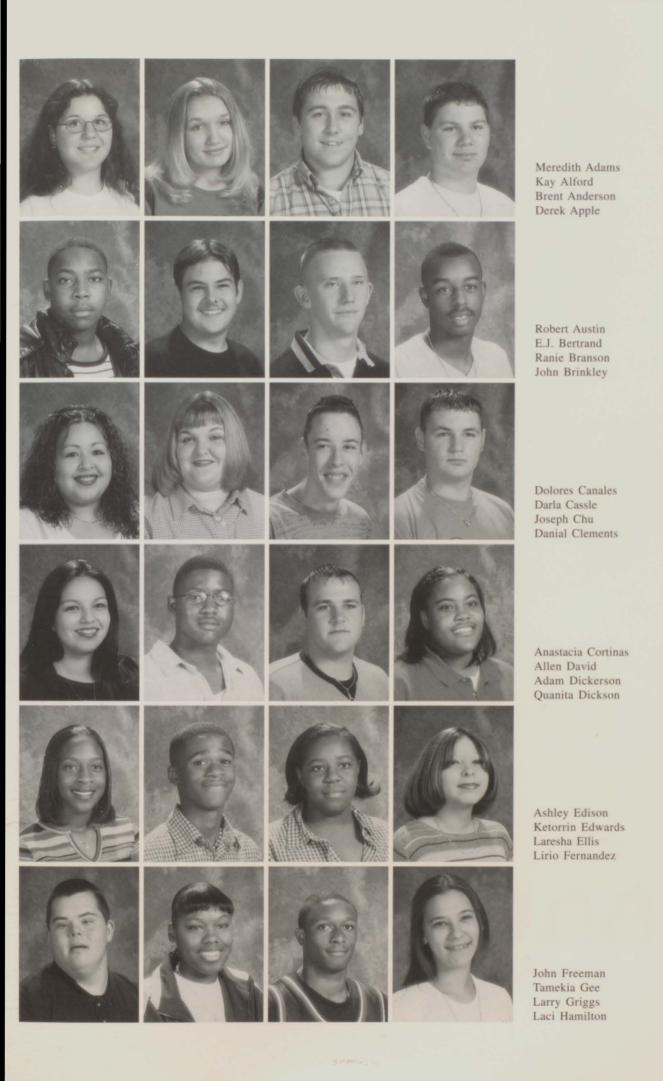


Joey Chu: Interrupted again!!

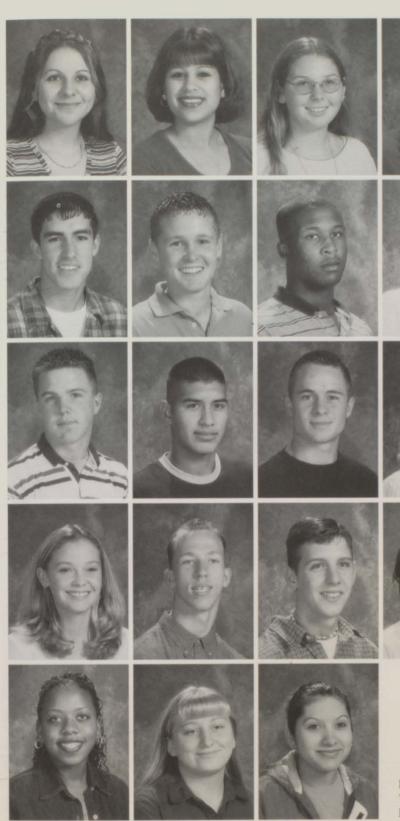


Amy Perez and Kimberly Christmas enjoy picking their friends....





Jessica Hatfield Stacy Jackson Christina Jacobs Crystal Johnson Jeri Johnson Clint Kocurek Amy Krobot Meghan Labuda Jarvis Lemon Dakotah Logan Thomas Love Jonathan Lunsford Byron Mack Trent Mangum Adasha Marshall Amanda McIntosh Chelsie McNett Devin McNett Amelda Mendieta William Meyerdirk Darius Mitchell Kyndra Monroe Jeremy Moore Mindy Munson



Miranda Navarro Amy Perez Wendy Plunkett Garret Quarles

Jesse Quintanilla Joshua Ramsey Pernell Roberson Sh'Nedria Southall

Billy Staples Armando Tabares John Taylor Katie Waits

Kelli Waits Michael Wallace Dusty Wendel Lartishia Winston

Lakisha Woodard Violet Young Leslie Zarate

Class of 2002

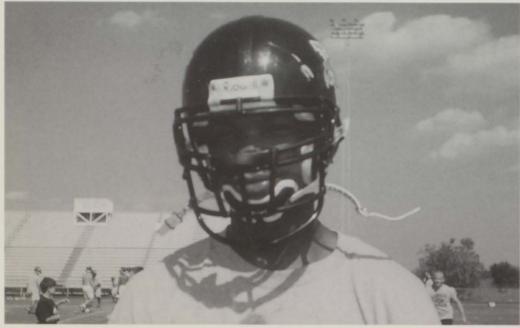


What is your biggest pet peeve?

K e t o r r i n Edwards: "When the girls resist my charms!!":)



Amelda Mendieta has some serious issues she needs to work on!! :)



Jeremy Moore: J-Mo, are you NOT enjoying practice THAT much?? But the helmet is SO COOL!!!

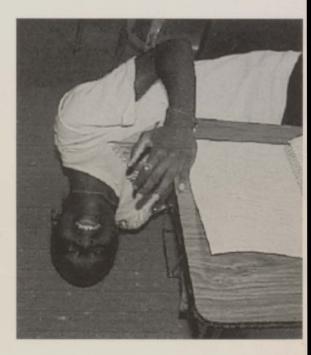


Clint couldn't hold it any longer...



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Amy Krobot and Amanda McIntosh flashing their winning smiles! So what are you trying to hide??



Seeing things from Ashley Edison's point of view...



Seniors Kathleen Lannen and Amanda Thompson (left) are letting their Senior brain cells crawl over to Juniors Jonathan Lunsford and Crystal Johnson.



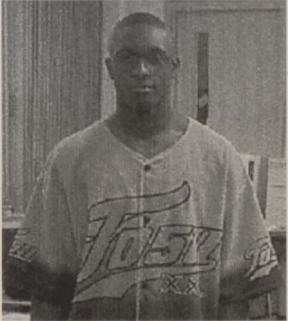
Jesse Quintanilla can't seem to get a break anywhere!!!



Tasha Cortinas is always so bright and cheerful - always a cheerleader!!



Jonathan Lunsford has been tranformed into something from a Looney Tunes cartoon...

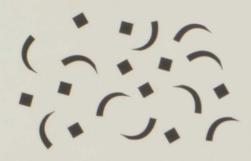


Larry Griggs: "Does this outfit make me look fat??"



Christina Jacobs is setting a new fashion trend.

Josh Ramsey and Clint Kocurek: "Whaaaassssuuuupp????



Below: Tasha Cortinas and Leslie Zarate - "We're not that innocent!!"



Right: Amy Perez - "I had an allergic reaction!!"



Amelda Mendieta: "This is going to be the LONGEST bus trip of my life!!!"







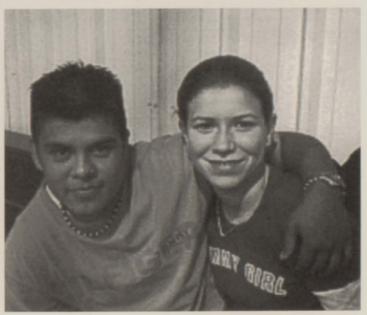


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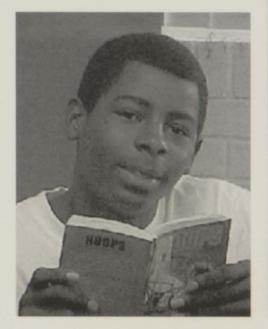
Class Favorites: Ernie Tabares and Shana Densmore

Class of 2003



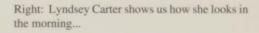
Right: Darbi Saha was the winner of the First Annual Snow Leopard Ball Queen title. Her class raised the most penny votes for her to take the win!

Below: Buck Austin has a public service announcement: "Reading is fun! Read a book!!"





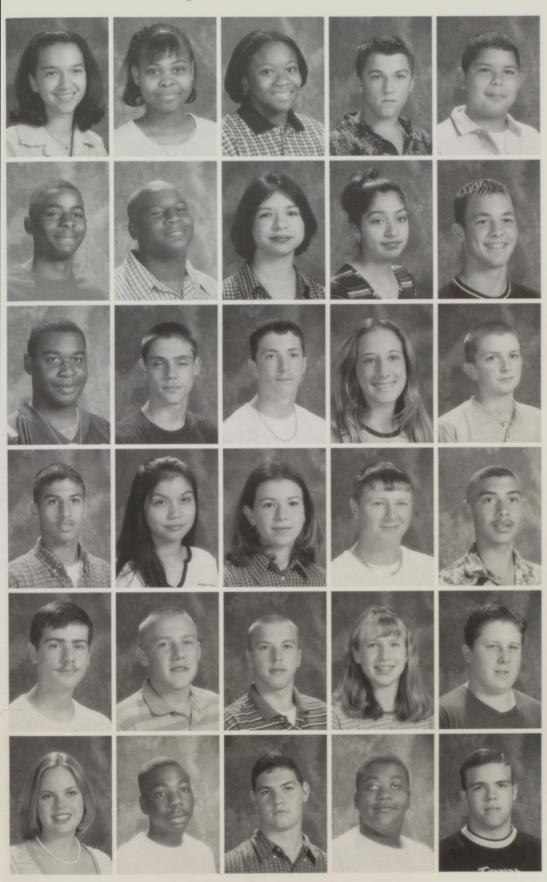
Above: Zack Simons looks like he's up to no good!







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Crystal Alberga Elrosha Alexander Morrisha Alexander Ransley Anderson Israel Arellano

Syronne Austin Dwight Bell Stephanie Bidales Emily Botello Charles Breazeale

Nathaniel Brinkley Michael Byrd Brian Carter Lyndsey Carter Kenneth Cartwright

Cornelio Castanon Audrie Castro Shana Densmore Cody Downs Tyrell Edwards

Ryan Evanicky Chris Folmar William Gilliland Rebecca Griffin Derrik Hadash

Jessica Hammond Kristopher Harris Adam Hatfield Benjamin Jackson William Jones

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Amber Justice Daniel Kubecka Morgan Labay Candace Land Quinnon Mangum











Rachel Massey Darci McBee Gordon McCarty Joshua McCombs James Mitchell











Roberto Morales Armando Oros Hailie Orr Samantha Orr Kaysie Owen

Crystal Paschall Otis Petteway











Natalie Redd Corey Reese Crystal Robles











Christina Roth
Darbi Saha
Kristyl Salazar
Kevin Sanders
Brooke Schwirtuch





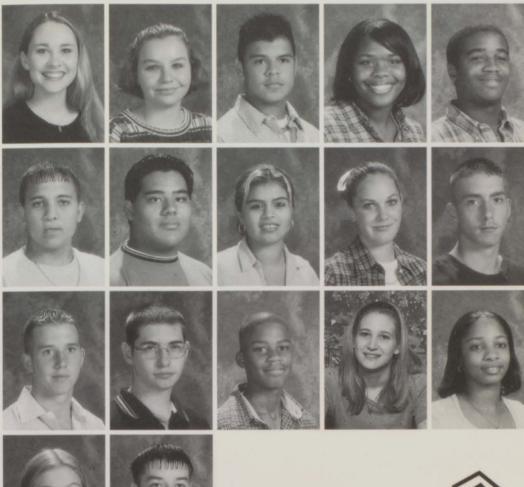






Zachary Simons Albert Smith Laura Snow Erica Spradlen Wayland Stubblefield

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Jessica Surritt Jennifer Szalwinski Manuel Tabares Tamara Thibodeaux Andrew Thomas

Jason Thompson Moses Trevino Sandy Vargas Elaine Walker Caleb Wernly

Dustin Wied Robert Williams Charles Woodard Annie Wray Bridget Wyche



Valerie Young Eric Zuniga



Darci McBee gives us her...um...award winning smile!



So, what are you in ISS for??



Crystal Paschall, someone's watching you!



Morgan and Brooke were caught in the hall during third period...where were ya'll off to without us??



Rachel Massey and Jessica Hammond know the meaning of friendship...standing in the middle of the road together.



Laura Snow tries to listen in on the gossip...anything good??

Studying just doesn't seem to end does it??



Gordon suffers from Dyslexia and a weak bladder...(:





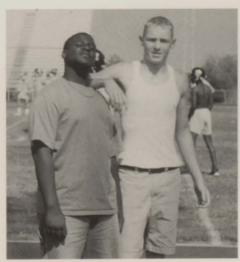
Ernie, Ernie, Ernie...what are you trying to hide with a smile THAT big??



Otis Petteway and Buck Austin show the others how dominoes are played...Buck seems a little greedy for points though.



Darbi and Valerie enjoy a nice sunny afternoon...shouldn't you be in class???

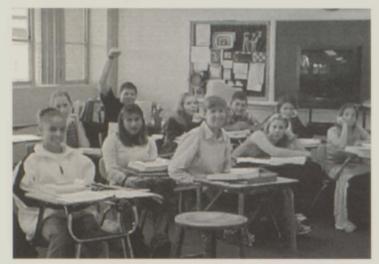


Dwight Bell and Gordon McCarty...there is someone running your way, don't you think you should move??



Tyrell Edwards: "I make this look good!!"





The lone hand in the back of the room: "Right on!!"





Left: Tamara Thibodeaux: "Whatever!"

Darbi Saha, Lyndsey Carter, and Morgan Labay getting ready for their appearance on Sally Jesse Raphael!



Caleb Wernly's cleaning lady had the day off!



Kevin Sanders looking GQ!





F~R~E~S~H~M~E~N



FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS: (L-R) Natasha Floyd, Vice President; Terra Meyers, Treasurer; Jase Ashcraft, Parliamentarian; Erica Williams, Secretary; Joy Peters, President.



FRESHMAN CLASS FAVORITES

Natasha Floyd and Bryan Mack

Right: Jacob McCombs - "I'm Batman."

Mark Kimmey: "Yep, that's my story and I'm sticking to it."



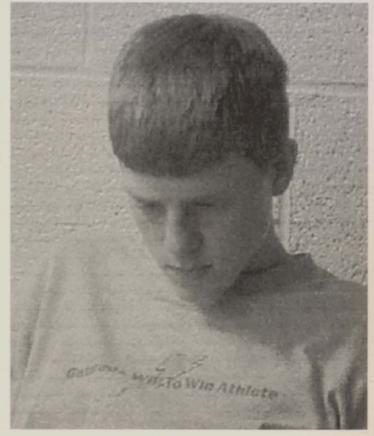
Below: Jennifer Weathers, Erica Williams and Danae Trahan - "Is it THAT cold, girls?"





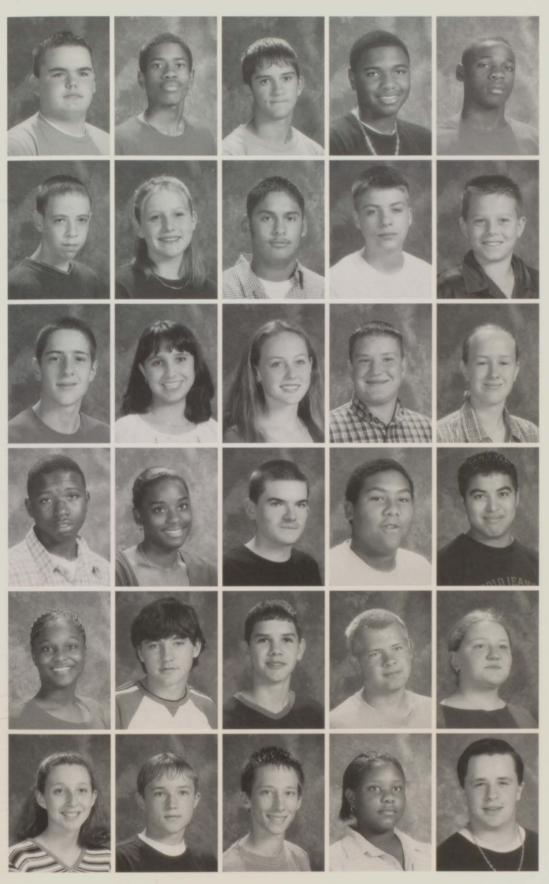
Above: Jase Ashcraft (L.) - "Yes that is our bus and NO Γ'm not riding home with THESE two!!"





Boone Patterson: "There's no 'c'...The answer is 'c' and there's no 'c'!!!!





Jase Ashcraft Herman Austin Kenneth Austin John Barnes Cortley Blackmon

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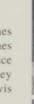
Michael Chenault Rebecca Clements Brittany Cox William Dabney Darcy Durham

Da'Mon Felmings Natasha Floyd Michael Fojtik Robert Foudray Anthony Garcia

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Misty Hurley Kyle Jacobs Turner Jay Shinequa Johnson Jeffery Jones

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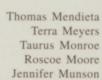






















Christina New Israel Ochoa David Owen Justin Palmisano Boone Patterson













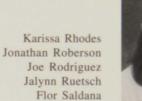












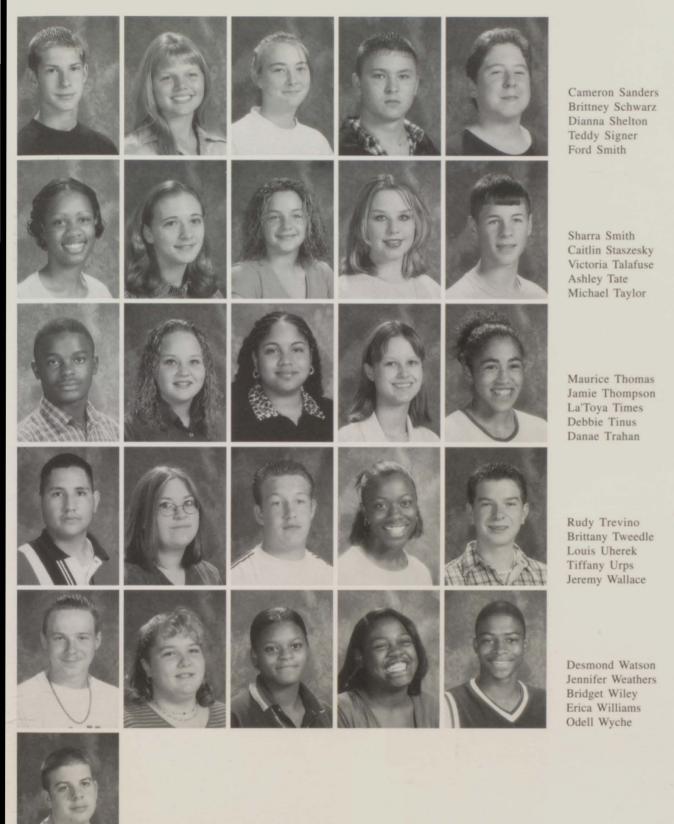






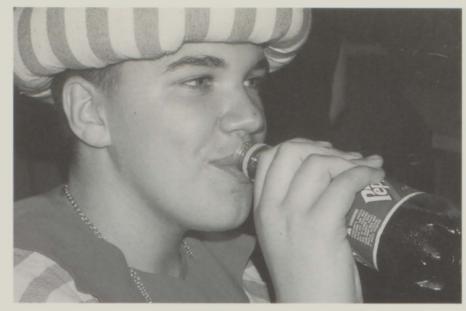






Kristopher Zumwalt





Jonathan Roberson doesn't realize they didn't have Dr. Pepper in midieval times...



Karalyn enjoys a nice quiet lunch under a nice tree...in Houston. How quiet can that be??



Sharra, that's scary...



Tiffany and Erica are gossiping at the Athletic Banquet...



Jalynn, if it smells that bad, maybe you and Rebecca should seek fresher air!!

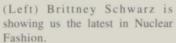




Noel just found out he won the Publisher's Clearing House prize...



(Right) Stand too close to that thing and you might grow an extra head!!





Don't hurt me - I'm on YOUR team!!!!



"We want to be nukuler engineers!"







Kyle Jacobs gets an award from Coach Bailey at the Academic Banquet.



The freshmen girls beat the senior girls in the Powderpuff Football game.

Maurice Thomas: "It wasn't me!!"





Marissa Vickrey: We know that look...so we'll leave you alone!





LaToya Times and Tiffany Urps they're off task, actually, but at least they're quiet!!



Chase Fojtik is a master at Chapter Reviews!!



Is the cafeteria food THAT bad???







Tiffany Urps LOVES the mystery meal guessing game!!



What do they put in this stuff????



Sports & Organizations

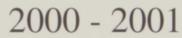


Varsity Squad: (Front) Rebecca Clements, Shana Densmore (Co-Captain), Rachel Massey. (Back) Ashley Edison, Canitra Polk (Captain), Morrisha Alexander.



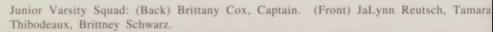








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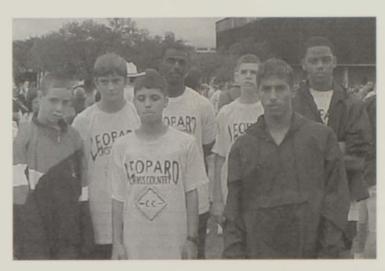




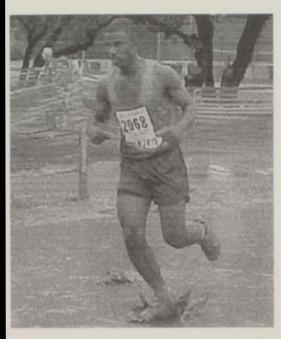




Girls CC Team: Lyndsey Carter, Rebecca Clements, Mary Kelly, Darbi Saha, Katie Waits, Brittney Cox, Cachet Petty.



Boys CC Team: Joseph Brodsky, Kenneth Austin, Joe Rodriguez, Stephen Roberson, Joe Bob Hatfield, Cornelio Castanon, Wesley Ray.



Stephen Roberson knows there is no avoiding running in the mud!



Cachet looks like she's about to collapse!

Joe Rodriguez is keeping pace with the group.

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Above: Katie, Rebecca and Mary keep near each other for support.











Morgan Labay: 2nd Team All-District, Academic All-District, Advocate All-District Newcomer, most Aces with 18 (unreturned serves).



Shana Densmore: Honorable Mention, Academic All-District.



Mary Kristina Kelly: Ist Team All-District - Unanimous, Academic All District, Advocate All District MVP, 82 Kills (unreturned spikes) and 159 Good spikes (returned).







Kelli Waits: Academic all District



Ya'Metria Lewis: 1st Team All-District-Unanimous, Academic All-District, Advocate All District 1st Team, 77 Kills (unreturned spikes).



Meghan Labuda: 2nd Team All-District, Academic All District.



Katie Waits: 2nd Tean All-District, Academic All-District, Stafford All Tournament Team, most Good serves with 66 (ball returned from serve).



Vålerie Young: Honorable Mention, Academic A--District.



Canitra Polk: 2nd Team All-District, Academic All District.



QUEENS OF THEIR DOMAIN!



<u>Varsity</u>: (Back row) Danielle Signer, Manager; Canitra Polk, Mary Kelly, Meghan Labuda, YaMetria Lewis, Katie Waits, Coach Morris Smith. (Front row) Kelli Waits, Shana Densmore, Morgan Labuda, Valerie Young. Not pictured: Assistant coach Cleoester Armstrong.



Junior Varsity: (Back Row) Rachel Massey, Darbi Saha, Christina Jacobs, Violett Young, Valerie Young. (Front) Kelli Waits.



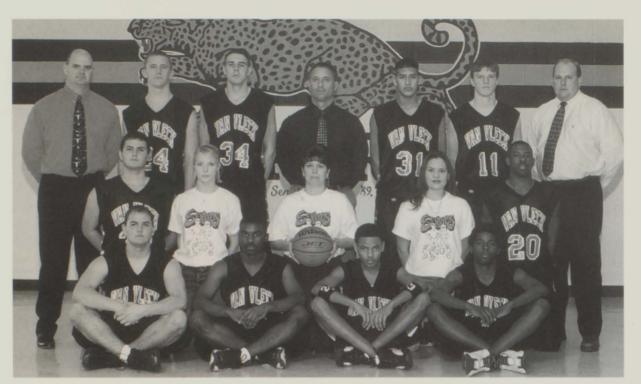
Freshmen: (Back Row) Darci Durham, Natasha Floyd, Sharra Smith, Terrisha Griggs. (Front) Victoria Talafuse, Caitlin Staszesky.

The Van Vleck Varsity girls volleyball team played a total of 23 regular season matches with a record of 11-12. They had a Conference (district) record of 6-2. Their season record is as follows:

Opponent	W/L	Score
Wharton	W	15-5, 15-3
West Columbia	W	15-10, 15-0
Hitchcock	W	15-1, 15-2
Hightower	L	8-15, 16-14, 3-1;
Boling	L	15-2, 8-15, 4-14
Bay City	L	15-9,14-16,13-1
Brookshire-Royal	W	15-11, 15-8
Ganado	W	15-6, 15-11
Yoakum	L	7-15, 5-15
Edna	L	1-15,15-8,11-15
Sweeny	L	14-16, 1-15
Boling	W	15-7,16-18,15-9
Palacios	L	15-11,12-15,4-1
Ganado	W	15-12, 15-5
Brazos	L	3-15, 3-15
Danbury	W	15-12, 15-3
Tidehaven	W	15-13,11-15,15-1
Bloomington	L	3-15,8-15
Boling	W	15-9, 15-12
Danbury	L	13-15,15-9,6-15
Ganado	W	11-15,15-4,15-10
Tidehaven	L	4-15,16-14,9-15
Weimar	L	6-15, 6-15



Coach Smith puts on his game face!



VARSITY:

Front: Michael Hayden, Stephen Roberson, Wesley Ray, Syronne Austin. Middle: James Hayden, Cachet Petty, Karen Stafford, Cathy Waggoner, Darren Floyd. Back: Coach Patterson, Ranie Branson. Garret Quarles, Coach Lantelme, Armando Tabares, Rowdy Patterson, Coach Novicke.

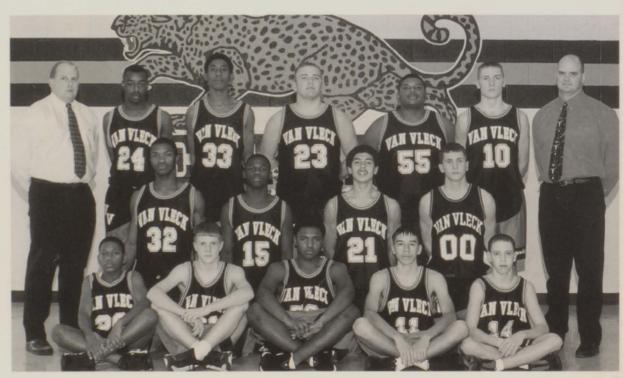
~HOT~ on the COURT!



BOYS BASKETBALL 2000 - 2001

JUNIOR VARSITY:

Front: Taurus Monroe, Boone Patterson, John Barnes, Eric Zuniga, Aaron Brodsky. Middle: Jeremy Moore, Cortley Blackmon, Tyrell Edwards, David Owen. Back: Coach Novicke, John Brinkley, Wayland Stubblefield, Dakotah Logan, Bryan Mack, Gordon McCarty, Coach Patterson.









Above: DISTRICT CHAMPS!!!!

RDER IN THE (OURT!!



Basketball was ~HOT~ this season! Hats off to Coach Bobby Lantelme who was named Coach of the Year by District 28AA and the Matagorda County Advocate. Garret Quarles was honored as Newcomer of the Year by Dist. 28AA. The Matagorda County Advocate 1st Team All-County members were Garret Quarles, Syronne Austin, and Armando Tabares. Austin and Tabares were also members of the District 28AA 1st Team All-District. Dist. 28AA Academic All-District Honorable Mention went to Rowdy Patterson, Stephen Roberson, and Ranie Branson.

<u>Varsity record</u>: 15-14 Season, 10-0 District <u>Largest magin of victory</u>: 44 points in district opener over Louise!

JV-A record: 17-6 Season, 10-0 District Largest margin of victory: 46 points over Tidehaven!

JV-B record: 12-5 Season, 3-0 District Largest margin of victory: 46 points in their final game over Danbury!

Darren Floyd

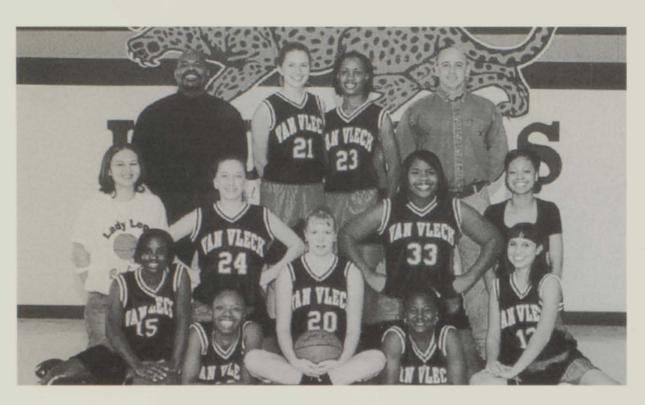


Senior Darren Floyd had an AWESOME year! He was named District 28AA Co-MVP, Matagorda County Advocate Offensive MVP, Victoria Advocate 1st Team All-Region, and was named to the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches 1st Team All-Region! A magnificent end to a magnificent high school basketball career! Good Luck, Darren!

All three teams were District 28AA Champions!!
Way to rock!!







LADY LEP BASKETBALL:

Front: Natasha
Floyd, Ya'Metria
Lewis, Mary Kelly,
Canitra Polk,
Rebecca Clements.
Middle: Danielle
Signer (manager),
Lyndsey Carter,
Tamyra
Thibodeaux, Adasha
Marshall (manager).
Back: Coach Chew,
Meghan Labuda,
Sharra Smith, Coach
Bailey.

~BLAZE~ of Glory

Girls Basketball 2000 - 2001

Season Record was 20-8, District Record was 10-0. This was the Lady Leps THIRD UNDEFEATED SEASON and their FOURTH CONSECUTIVE DISTRICT TITLE! Magnificent job by a magnificent team!

The following were the achievements of some of the girls' basketball team members.

Ya'Metria Lewis: Defensive Player of the Year for the District.

Mary Kelly: District Offensive Player of the Year, All-Area team, All Matagorda County team, Texas Basketball Magazine's All State team.

Meghan Labuda and Sharra Smith: Honorable Mention All-District.

Lyndsey Carter: All-District team, All Matagorda County team.

Canitra Polk



Senior Canitra Polk was named to the All-District team, All-Area team, All Matagorda County team, Texas Association of Basketball Coaches Regional team, and Texas Basketball Magazine's All-State team! Way to go, Girl!!!



Mary "KK" Kelly doesn't let fashion get in the way of basketball!



The Sprit Huddle

"YOUR ON MY (0(1RT N)W!!"

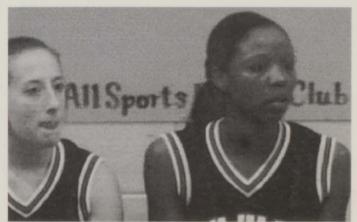


Above: On to the court... Right: KK goes for a free throw. Below right: Canitra tries to find someone open.

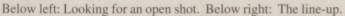








Above: Lyndsey and Ya'Metria watch with anticipation form the sidelines.

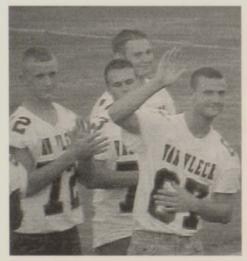




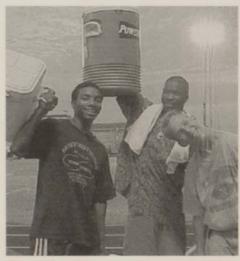
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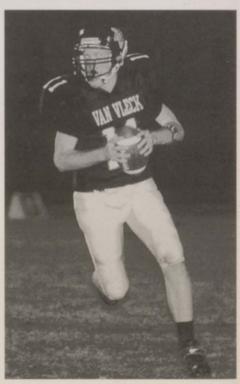
The team assembled at the community pep rally (above) held in the fall. We apologize for not having the official team picture, but were unable to obtain a copy of it.



Tony Ross gives a wave to the crowd at the Community Pep Rally.

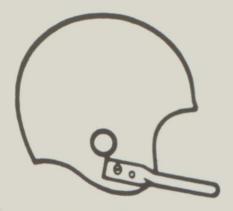


The Waterboys - "Got water??"



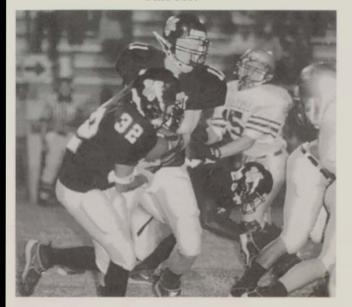
QB Rowdy Patterson looks for an open receiver...

A Season to Remember...



Quarterback Rowdy Patterson passes the ball off.

The Varsity football team had a regular season record of 5-5 and made it into the playoffs. Unfortunately the playoffs didn't pay off, but the guys had a great season that they were very proud of! Despite all the ups and downs, the guys kept their heads up, and never let their Leopard spirit fade...

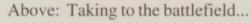




WIN VIEW

He has his fightin' face on!!

Action photos courtesy of Ed Vander Stucken, Matagorda County Advocate.





He fakes right, then left...



JV Football Team:

(Back) Coach P. Patterson, Otis Petteway, Jase Ashcraft, Nate Brinkley, David Owen, Andrew Thomas, Louis Uherek. Josh McCombs, Brian Carter, Allen David, Tyrell Edwards, Dwight Bell, David Mitchell, Coack K. Novicke. (Middle) Coach R. Bailey, Mark Kimmey, Will Dabney, Noel Chapa, Gordon McCarty, Matt Matchett, Bryan Mack, Jarvis Lemon, Eric Zuniga, Quinnon Mangum. Maurice Thomas, Cortley Blackmon. (Front) Boone Patterson, Jacob McCombs, Taurus Monroe, Kyle Jacobs, Odell Wyche, Jason Thompson, Herman Austin, Aaron Brodsky, Justin Palmisano, Cornelio Castanon.

JV Football

Below: They can run from us, but they can't hide!!



JV had a good season as well with a record of 8-2. Cortley Blackmon was in top form this season. He was the team's leader in rushing with 89 attempts for a net gain of 767 yds. including 11 touchdowns. He was also leading scorer with 15 touchdowns and 3 2-pt. conversions for a total of 96 points. Also to his credit were the most interceptions with 3. Boone Patterson led in passing with 35 of 78 attempts completed for 721 yards and 8 touchdown passes. Gordon McCarty led in pass receiving with 10 catches for 222 yds. and 3 touchdowns. If you guys were this good this year, we hope you REALLY rock the field next year!





Wise words from the coaches helped make this team what they are today...SUCCESSFUL!



We're the visitors!! This was the last quarter of the game against Palacios.



Jeremy Moore knows the meaning of team spirit...he's there all the way!

Powerlifting

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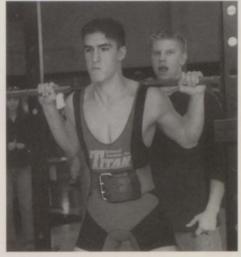
We were unable to obtain information or photos for the girls powerlifting team. We apologize for their omission. - Yearbook Staff

Right: Mark Kimmey puts his back in to it. You da man!!!

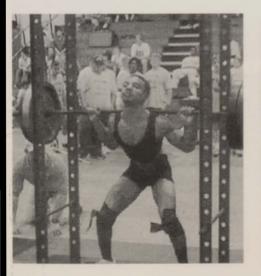


Isedoll Mangum has a look of determination...and worry! No problem - you're a master at powerlifting!





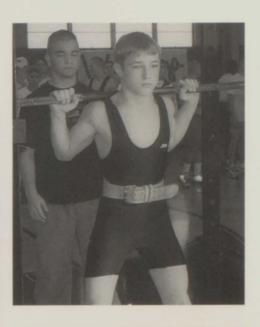
Jesse Quintanilla gives his all - a determined look!



Trent Mangum looks BUFF!!!



Jase Ashcraft is that thing heavy??







Top: Kyle Jacobs prepares for a lift. Middle: Noel Chapa, don't strain! Bottom: Aaron Brodsky is the newest "Tough Man" competitor!



Varsity:

Back: Coach Novicke,
Jody Branson, Armando
Tabares, Garret Quarles,
Daniel Shalley, Adam
Dickerson, Coach
McReynolds. Middle:
Jessica Butler (Manager),
Dakotah Logan, Rowdy
Patterson, Michael
Hayden, Daniel Kubecka,
KK Kelly (Manager).
Front: Joseph Van Druten,
Charlie Breazeale, Jesse
Quintanilla, Ernie
Tabares, Brian Carter.

LEOPARD BASEBALL

Right: Batta Swing! Below: Gettin' ready to pick 'em off! Daniel Shalley delivers a mean pitch. Jody Branson is keepin' his eye on the ball.









Junior Varsity:

Back: Coach Novicke,
Matt Matchett, Bryan
Mack, Noel Chapa, Jarvis
Lemon, Boone Patterson,
Coach McReynolds.
Front: Armando Oros,
Kyle Jacobs, Jeremy
Wallace, Quinnon
Mangum, Joe Rodriguez,
Aaron Brodsky.





Baseball had a great season! The JV team had a record of 3-4-1 and placed second in the Boling JV Tournament.

The Varsity team had a record of 9-12, 5-3 in district and tied for second place. The greatest accomplishment for the team was making the playoffs for the first time in HISTORY! However they lost to East Bernard 3-0 and 14-7 in the first round of playoffs. To be the first VVHS Varsity Baseball team to ever make the playoffs is something to be proud of!!

The following are the individual team member accomplishments: First Team All-District: (All Unanimous) Dakotah Logan, Daniel Shalley, Daniel Kubecka, Ernie Tabares, and Adam Dickerson.

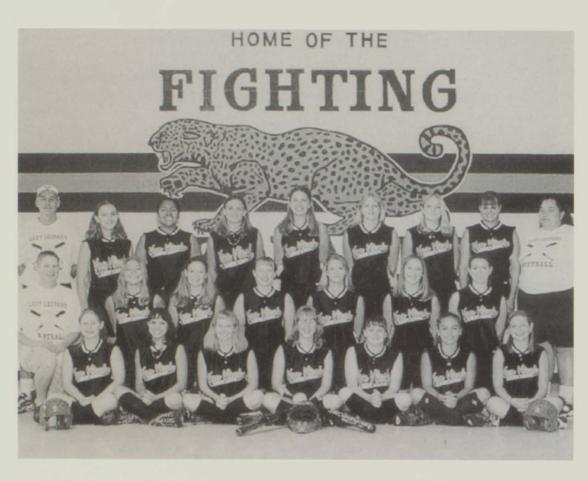
Second Team All-District: Garret Quarles, Armando Tabares and Jody Branson.

Honorable Mention: Rowdy Patterson.

Above: Headin' for first base. Below: (Left) Ernie and Dakotah warm up before the big game. (Right) The team gets together to psych each other up for a win!







LEOPARD SOFTBALL GIRLS:

Back: Coach Bailey. Caitlyn Staszesky, Amelda Mendieta, Crystal Paschall, Meghan Labuda, Mary Kelly, Christina Jacobs, Amy Krobot, Coach Martinez. Middle: Clint Kocurek (manager), Valerie Young, Kelli Waits, Rebecca Griffin, Marisa Vickrey, Katie Waits, Shana Densmore. Front: Katie Brooker. Rebecca Clements. Jalynn Reutsch, Darci Durham, Jennifer Munson, Darbi Saha, Rachel Massey.

Bady Beopard Softball

Rebecca Clements has that look on her face...getting ready for the winning pitch.



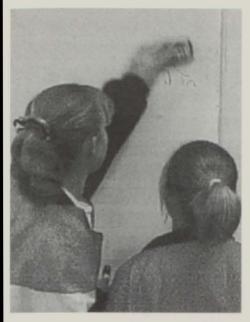
The girls take a little time to discuss strategy on the mound...



That third baseperson is right in the line of fire!



Working on the game plays...





Coach Bailey and "The Lecture".



Hamming it up for the camera after a big game...they must have won!!!

Below: Hamming it up some more for the camera...and showing off, too :)



Queens of Diamonds...



Coach Bailey is that a signal or are you expecting rain??



Batter up! Waiting for the pitch...



Senior Mary "KK" Kelly

KK is the only senior to grace the softball team this year. With the exception of a nasty leg injury in one of the final games of the regular season, she has had an outstanding high school softball career. She is so devoted to the game that even the injury didn't keep her off the playing field! Good luck to you KK!!!



Junior Varsity Doubles: Kent Kopnicky, Ernie Tabares, Jody Branson, and Kevin Sanders. The JV boys finished 3rd at District with 12 points.



Varsity Cirls Doubles, Deski, Seber Share Descreen

Varsity Girls Doubles: Darbi Saha, Shana Densmore, Lyndsey Carter and Kelli Waits. The girls finished 5th at District inApril.



Varsity Boys Singles: Casey Meeks and Daniel Shalley. Shalley, one of the only returning tennis players from last year, finished 3rd at the District meet in April.



Varsity Boys Doubles: Kole Kopnicky, James Hayden, Michael Hayden and Joseph Van Druten.



Varsity Girls Singles: Nicci Joiner and Cachet Petty.



James Hayden and Kole Kopnicky show us some of their winning talents that took them to Regionals.



Junior Varsity Singles: Misty Hurley and Rowdy Patterson.



Lyndsey Carter and Kelli Waits showing their form.





Regional Boys Double qualifiers -James Hayden and Kole Kopnicky



Boys Track







Far left: Brandon Griggs leads the pack. Left: Wesley Ray keeping pace. Above: Nice legs Jesse!



Varsity Boys Track: (back) Wesley Ray, John Taylor, Jarvis Lemon, Matt Matchett, Coach Moorhead, Dwight Bell, Bryan Mack, Noel Chapa, Charles Woodard, Gordon McCarty. (Front) Odell Wyche, Larry Griggs, Caleb Wernly, Brandon Griggs, Stephen Roberson, Jesus Quintanilla, Joseph Van Druten, Joe Bob Hatfield.



JV Track: (back)
David Mitchell,
Dustin Wied, Mark
K i m m e y ,
N a t h a n i a l
Brinkley, John
Brinkley, Roberto
Morales. (front)
Q u i n n o n
Mangum, Joe
R o d r i g u e z ,
Jeremy Wallace,
Aaron Brodsky,
Herman Austin,
Boone Patterson.



Odell Wyche just clears the bar on the high jump.



Who's the man, Bryan??

Boys track action shots courtesy of Ross Cunningham, Matagorda County Advocate.



Girls Track: (back) Darbi Saha, Terrisha Griggs, Erica Williams, Cachet Petty. (front) Sharra Smith, Morrisha Alexander, Ashley Edison, Natasha Floyd, Bridget Wyche.



Valerie Young winds up for the discus throw...



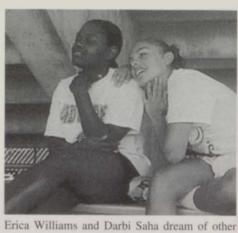
Darbi Saha (far right) is hot on the trail!



The relay team makes the pass...



This is how we get ready for a race...issues girls, serious issues. :)



Erica Williams and Darbi Saha dream of other things besides practice...so who is he, girls??



Cachet Petty gets serious air time on the long jump. "Air Petty!"

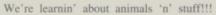
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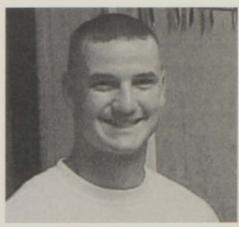
Agricultural Education



Above:Even the girls get in tothe heavy duty welding work. Below: Mr. Oncken takes it easy...let them do all the work :)!

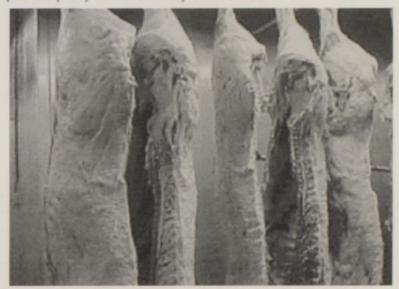


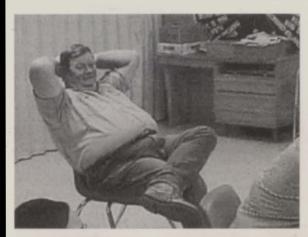




Tony Ross loves to be in ag! It's his home away from home!

One of the projects ag does during the year is slaughtering to stock up the meat locker. The ag department supplies the meat for several barbecues held for the district throughout the year for fundraisers and appreciation dinners. Beef, pork and poultry all find there way on the menus!







Class cleans up after a project.



Cleaning up the pens during slaughtering week.





Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Coach Moorhead's team beat Coach Bailey's team in the flag football game on May 1. We're pretty sure it was a fair game!:)

Drama Club



Fall presentation: PANDORA AND THE MAGIC BOX by I.E. Clark

Prologue - Misty Hurley

Epimetheus - Jonathan lunsford

Girl - Danae Trahan

Boy - Aaron Brodsky

Other Children - Lyndsey Joiner, Joy Peters,

.....Laura Peters, Jordan Smith

Quicksilver - Boone Patterson

Pandora - Larissa Ness

Prince 1 - Jonathan Roberson

Prince 2 - Aaron Brodsky Prince 3 - Joe Rodriguez

Sorrow - Danial Clements

Greed - Dawn Hodges Anxiety - Kim Christmas

Bad Luck - Amanda Thompson

Disease - Dusty Wendel

Other Troubles - Clint Kocurek, Cachet Petty,

.....Josh Ramsey

Hope - Nicci Joiner

Directed by Gena Smith and Susan Wolfe









National Honor Society





SENIORS: (back) Danielle Signer, Jill Austin, Rowdy Patterson, Stephen Roberson, Jessica Butler, Daniel Shalley, Rachel Simmons, James Hayden, Kurt Freeman, Dawn Hodges, Jarryd Raynes, Casey Meeks, KK Kelly, Cachet Pety. (front) Larissa Ness, Kim Christmas, Ya'Metria Lewis, Amanda Thompson, Nicci Joiner, Joe Anna Moreno.



JUNIORS: (back) Violett Young, LaKisha Woodard, Amy Perez, Darla Cassle, Kelli Waits, Katie Waits, Garret Quarles, Josh Ramsey, Christina Jacobs, Meghan Labuda, Amanda McIntosh, Amy Krobot, Brent Anderson. (front) Laresha Ellis, Clint Kocurek, Ashley Edison, Jonathan Lunsford, Amelda Mendieta.



OFFICERS: Danielle Signer, Student Advisor; Daniel Shalley, Vice President; Amanda Thompson, Treasurer; Dawn Hodges, President; Joe Anna Moreno, Secretary. Not Pictured: KK Kelly, Parliamentarian.



Jill and Amelda at the NHS Convention - look like they're ready for the hunt!



Nicci Joiner helps Rachel Simmons with her induction sign...



Daniel Shalley and Mrs. Stafford set Katie Waits up with her induction sign.

Daniel Shalley welcomes Christina Jacobs during the NHS Induction Ceremony.





Cachet Petty using her artistic talents onthe Senior wing wall. This was an icon for people walking the hallways - Who's wing is this?? Seniors 2001!!!!

Student coucil did several things this year. They gave plants to the teachers at the beginning of the year as well as other appreciation gifts on holiday, sold fruit for a fund raiser, held a clothing drive for the Womens Crisis Center, supplied the teachers lounge with assorted teas/coffees, etc., hung posters for Drug Awarness Week, and purchased a "welcome mat" for the front door of the school. The most visible thing they did was hang signs on lockers to recognize students, such as those in NHS, Senior class, Football, Track, Basketball, Volleyball, Cheerleading, Golf, Tennis, Powerlifting, Baseball, Softball, Band, Color Guard, and of course Student Council.

Crystal Paschall decorating lockers to recognize students involved in extracurricular activities...

Student Coucil



Candace Woodard and her poster - that's an awful big Christmas card you're drawing there!





Jessica Hatfield working on her poster...it was for a good cause.



Above: Adam Hatfield, Joe Bob Hatfield, and Jonathan Lunsford prepare the teachers' plants for the first day of school.

Below: Adam Hatfield uses his artistic expressions on the clothing drive poster.



Below: Adasha Marshall works on a clothig drive poster. Those are some big shoes, Adasha!!



Larissa Ness gave an oustanding performance as Katherina! She was named to the All Star Cast at District and Area competitions.



Kimberly Christmas as Grumella was named to the Honorable Mentio All Star Cast at District competition.



One Act Play

Cast and Crew of The Taming of the Shrew



Baptista - Rowdy Patterson
Katherina - Larissa Ness
Bianca - Nicci Joiner
Petruchio - Dusty Wendel
Biolndello - Jarvis Lemon
Lucentio - Jonathan Roberson
Hortensio - Boone Patterson
Voice of Grumio - Clint Kocurek
Director - Gena Smith

Grumella - Kimberly Christmas Servant - Joy Peters Servant - Katy Brooker Card Servant - Joe Rodriguez Maria - Laci Hamilton Stage Manager - Dawn Hodges Lights - Danial Clements Sound - Jonathan Lunsford Assist. Director - Susan Wolfe



The cast awaits their cues to enter stage left...



Nicci Joiner (as Bianca) and Larissa Ness acting out their scene - such drama!!!



Rowdy Patterson and Dusty Wendel as Baptista and Petruchio. Dusty was named Best Actor at District contest and Honorable Mention All Star Cast at Area contest.



Jarvis Lemon - caught int he middle of the scene! Jarvis was named to the Honorable Mention All Star Cast at District competition.







Drum Majors Amanda McIntosh & Cachet Petty





The brass performs with such precision and grace...a sound that carries one across the field.





Okay, James. It can't be all that bad. You can hold your breath until you turn blue all you want, but you still have to stay until the end of the pep rally...





(Left) Jonathan Lunsford: "I'm the king of the world!" No, actually they found out they received all 1s at the Victoria competition!



Cachet and Amanda lead the band in for the Community Pep Rally.

There is always cold weather to look forward to at at least ONE game. Josh Ramsey, Crystal Paschall and Clint Kocurek take cover.

The band played on...





Larissa Ness

This senior has had a wonderful HS band career. She has been named to the ATSSB All-State Band for all four of her high school years. Truly an accomplishment! Good luck in all your future endeavors, Larissa!

he band has had a most outstanding year. In the fall, the band competed in the marching competition. The proceeded to obtain all ones, a first division rating. On April 10th, the band competed in the UIL Concert and Sightreading at Industrial. The band earned first division ratings from all three judges in the concert and sightreading portions of the competition. This year also marks the FOURTH CON-SECUTIVE SWEEPSTAKES AWARD for the Van Vleck band. To earn a sweepstakes award, the band must earn a first division rating in marching, concert and sightreading competitions. Fabulous work!!!!



The Boys Team



VVHS Golf Teams

Led by Coach Bickham

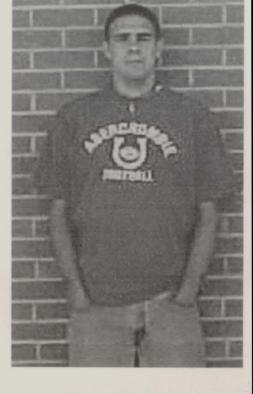


The Girls Team



Who is more macho????





Garret Quarles was the only golfer to advance to regionals. Below is Garret in action.



Academic UIL











The UIL teams fared very well this year. There were many first place winners and advancers to the regional and higher competitions. Ryan Evanicky was the only participant to advance to state competition. Congratulations to all the participants and advancers on one of the best Academic UIL season in VVHS history! Also, a big congratulations to the coaches and sponsors of these magnificent students - a pat on the back!



Jarryd Raynes was the Editor in Chief of the yearbook staff. He was good about getting things done and getting the other staff members motivated. He had good PR skills which will help in his career as a Sports Agent...the next Arliss!!



Eric Dornak...a rare appearance in class:). He was good about errands and taking pictures and usually Melody worked with him, also.



My work station...disaster as usual!

The Yearbook Staff

by Ms. Serrill

What a crew I had this year! Yeah I know I did all the grunt work, but the staffers were great about getting me the grunt materials...pictures, ads, write-ups, etc. Kelly Gaubatz was a wiz at selling ads and teamed up with Melody Crain a lot to get more sold. We had a lot of good times in class, strange discussions, novel ideas...it was the birthplace of the "Donley" who seemed to cause mischief...many battles for my rolling chair were fought with Canitra Polk and Candace Woodard (ultimately I won)...Cachet Petty and Jonathan Lunsford waged cartoon battles on the dry erase boards (yes I still have the pictures)...Jered Haleshounded me every day to go run errands, and there was the day Stanley Spurr put tape all over Jered's back...George Fisher and Canitra fighting like brother and sister (on a daily basis)...a lot of fine memories for me, and hopefully for you guys. Thanks for all the laughs...I will miss you all dearly.

Also I would like to thank all the other students and faculty members of VVISD for the help they gave us in putting together this yearbook. We couldn't have done it without you!





Okay...Jered is a little upset with me here because I won't send him on any errands for me...He and Darren Floyd were my O.H. Herman liasons, and they did a great job of it.

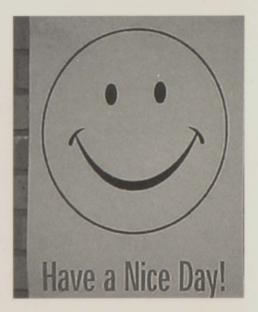
Cachet Petty was Co-Editor this year and artiste extraordinaire. She was always willing to take pictures and come in to work on things when she could. She also shared my passion for world globes and Salvador Dali paintings...



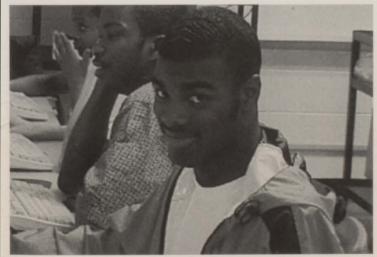
Jonathan Lunsford was a true inspiration! Anyone who can take care of 30-something odd cats in a one bedroom apartment on an HEB engineer's salary is truly inspiring! (: Had to mention the cats, Jonathan!! (HAHA!!)







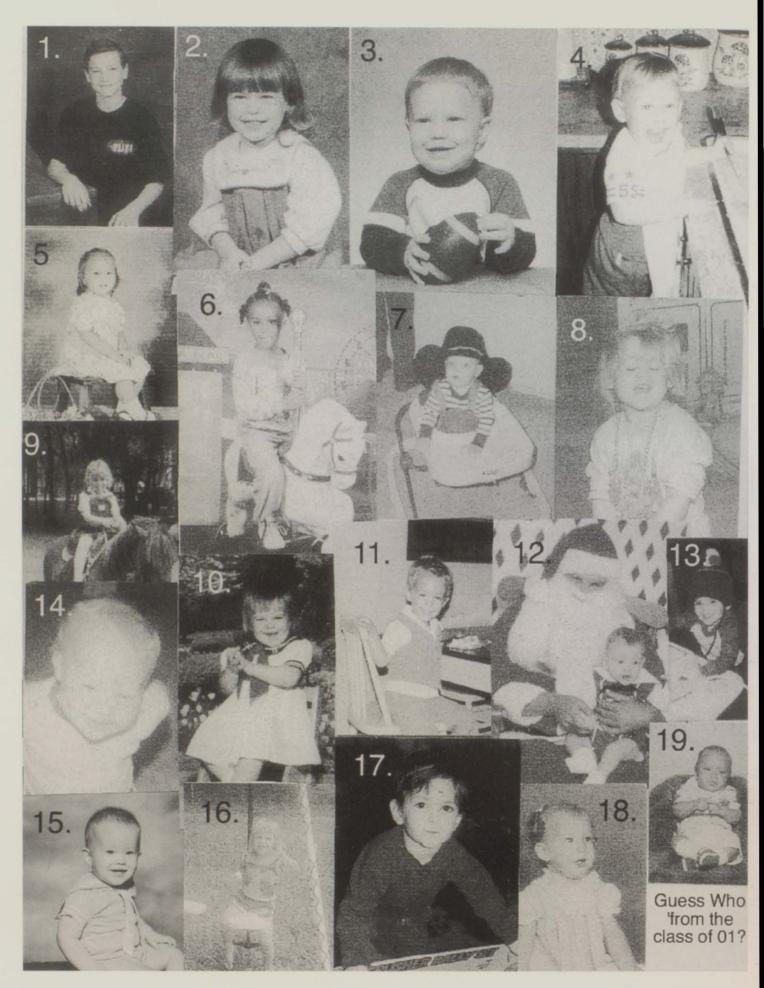
We often tried to encourage a positive tone in the classroom...although there were times I myself wanted to tear this icon of happiness down!!



George Fisher had his own story...he and Canitra would sass each other every day. I would stand in the doorway between classes and he would give everybody a piece of his mind. You will go far with the outgoing attitude, George...somebody has to keep Canitra in line! (:



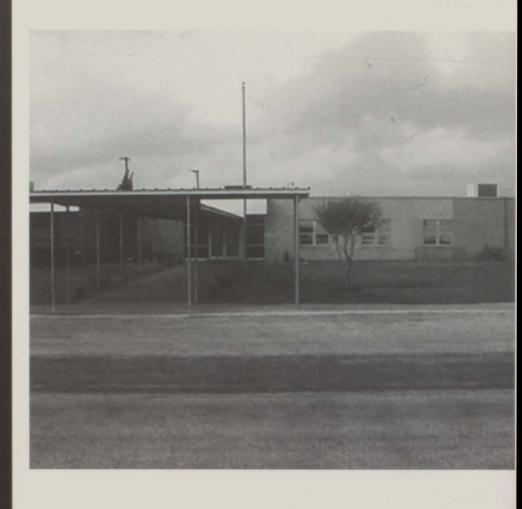
Canitra's job was to be Sunshine Fairy...all ahe had to do was make people smile for their pictures...like here with Daniel Aguilar. If you didn't smile, her brand of sassy would come out and you would have WISHED you smiled!!!



Answers on page 100. I apologize for the clarity of the pictures.



O.H. Herman Middle Schoo



PRINCIPAL:

DAVID PATTERSON

SECRETARY: AMY BALLINGER

COUNSELOR:
RENEE MITCHELL



Lance Chenault, what was the question???



Auditioning for the newest boy band to come out of Van Vleck!



Yeah, I know the answer, but do they??



Um...hungry????



I am the master of the dance floor!!!



Cleoster Armstrong Amy Ballinger Inez Barron Claude Bickham



Joe Bill Chris Clements Mike Cudd Kathy Diehm



















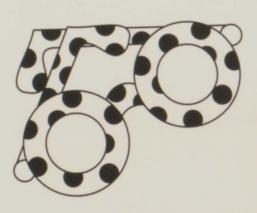


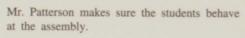






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Joel Webber

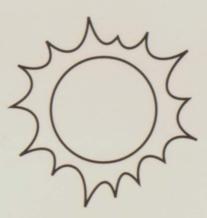






Left: Guest speaker Mr. Hill gets Mrs. Tolbert in on the singing action!

The rest of the faculty listens intently...



Mrs. Barron can't get away from her followers!



Mrs. Labuda gets caught off task! :)





Mr. Cudd, is it cooler over by the refridgerators?



TEACHERS You can
relate to this
cartoon can't
you??

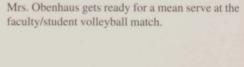
Answers to Senior baby pictures (p. 94-95): 1. Tony Ross, 2. Kristi Steinmann, 3. Rowdy Patterson, 4. Jered Hales, 5. Danielle Signer, 6. Carina Brown, 7. Jody Branson, 8. Kelly Gaubatz, 9. Rebecca Stafford, 10. Larissa Ness, 11. Casey Meeks, 12. Eric Dornak, 13. Michael Hayden, 14. Daniel Shalley, 15. Kurt Freeman, 16. Cachet Petty, 17. James Hayden, 18. Nicci Joiner, 19. Isedoll Mangum, 20. Sissy Austin, 21. Canitra Polk, 22. Dawn Hodges, 23. Siena Dannelley, 24. Jarryd Raynes, 25. Thomas Swist, 26. Stanley Spurr, 27. The Kopnicky Twins, 28. Daniel Aguilar, 29. Candace Woodard, 30. Cathy Waggoner, 31. George Fisher, 32. Desiree Brinkley, 33. Krystle Wyse, 34. Ya'Metria Lewis, 35. KK Kelly, 36. Joe Anna Moreno, 37. Melody Crain, 38. Amanda Thompson.



Mrs. Labuda, did we catch you at a good time?



Coach Armstrong stands in front of the Wall of Pride!





James Aguilar Chelsea Alliniece Brian Austin















Jariesha Barnes Darlene Bidales Latasha Bivens Steven Boone Justin Bragg

Krysten Burnett Holli Cadenhead Ashley Cervantes Cody Coston Leonard Craven

Kendrick Dailey Lindsey Davis John Deavers Marcus Devance Robin Dickerson

Clinton Downs Latrece Ellis Nora Garcia Kristen Gaubatz Andrea Gerla

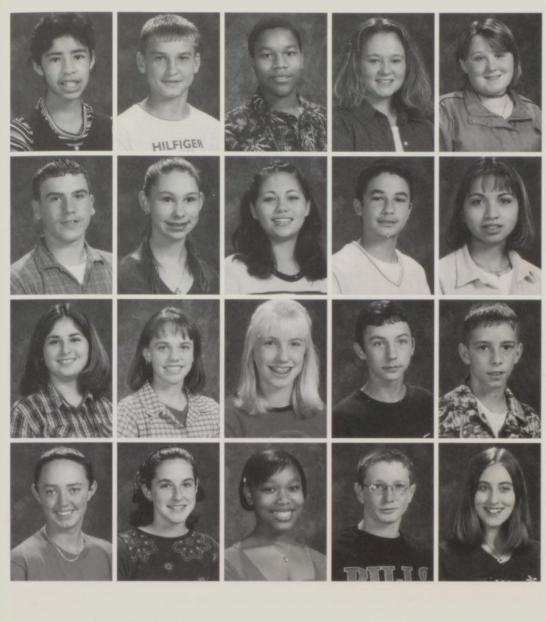








Robert Griffin Daniel Griggs Donavan Hahn Jennifer Hales Tiffany Hansen Chevy Harris Sally Ann Henry Mark Holliday Chris Hudgins Clinton Johnson Jenna Kubecka Donielle Lacour Dustin Leiblein Ginger Luetge Lanora Luna Porscha Marshall Norma Martinez Michael McIntosh Travis McIntosh Christopher Owen Petey Owen Marco Pena James Perry Stacey Plunkett Willy Quiroga Johnny Rab Charity Redd Kristin Reddoch Bill Richardson Orville Richrdson



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Carmen Trevino Brandi Tucker Stephanie Vicars Joshua Wagner Michael Waits

Gary Watson Heather Williams Christina Woodard Kevin Wray Leslie Zernicek



Latrece can really sing with the best of them!!

Right: Eighth graders experiment during the bubble lab.



Stephanie and Ginger got caught in he hall, but seem happy about it!





There are mixed emotions here about the guest speaker...

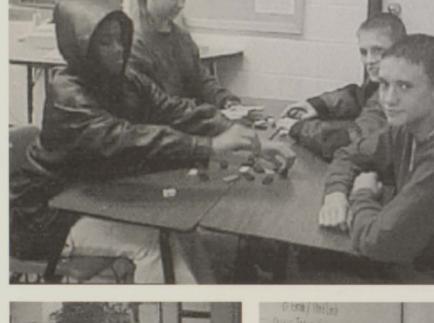


Left: Nothing like a friendly game of dominoes, huh guys??

Below: Did you get caught in the hall, too???





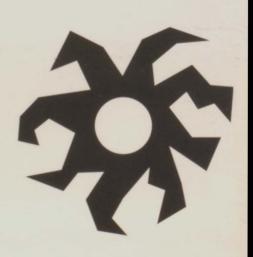




Are you being helpful or do you always smile that way?



Better sign up fast girls or you'll get left out!







Cody Anderson



Lakesha Boone Rebekah Breazeale Shawnesha Brinkley Tonisha Brinkley Justin Brooker



Tommy Bell Corey Blackmon Roneshia Blackmon















Bryan Brown Sarah Butler Joseph Canales Ashley Charanza Darilyn Chew













Bobby Galvan Frank Gamez Gina Garcia Stephen Garza James George Katrina Griggs Melissa Horton Wesley Hubbs Evelyn Huerta William Knight Kevin Kocurek Jacob Koether Kyle Krobot Aaron Lankston William Lewis Ashley Love Gary Luetge Shamarian Martin Todd Maxey Tara McBee Johnathan McCombs Brandon McIntyre Charles McIntyre Casey Mitchell George Montalvo Stephen Moore Teresa Moreno Natalie Mullen Kelli Newton Victor Ochoa



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Katherine Peter Eddy Quiroga Sarah Rab Jeryca Raynes Brandy Reed

Adam Rodriguez John Rodriguez Marcus Rudolph Mario Rudolph Nadily Salazar

Justin Sanders Robert Smith Simon Smith Clayton Steinbacher Nakeshia Stredic

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Why do I always have my picture taken when I'm EATING????





Caught eating again!!! Well at least you're offering to share...

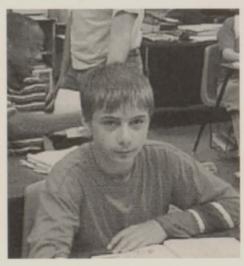


Left: Do you really think she's going to give YOU the answer??

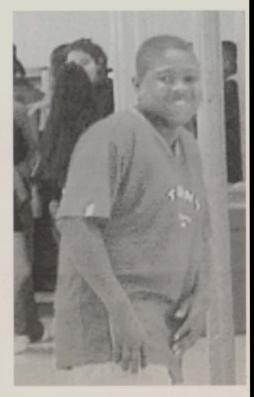




Where are ya'll going, girls??



I did not do it, I will not do it, and the guy behind me siad he wouldn't do it either. So don't ask.



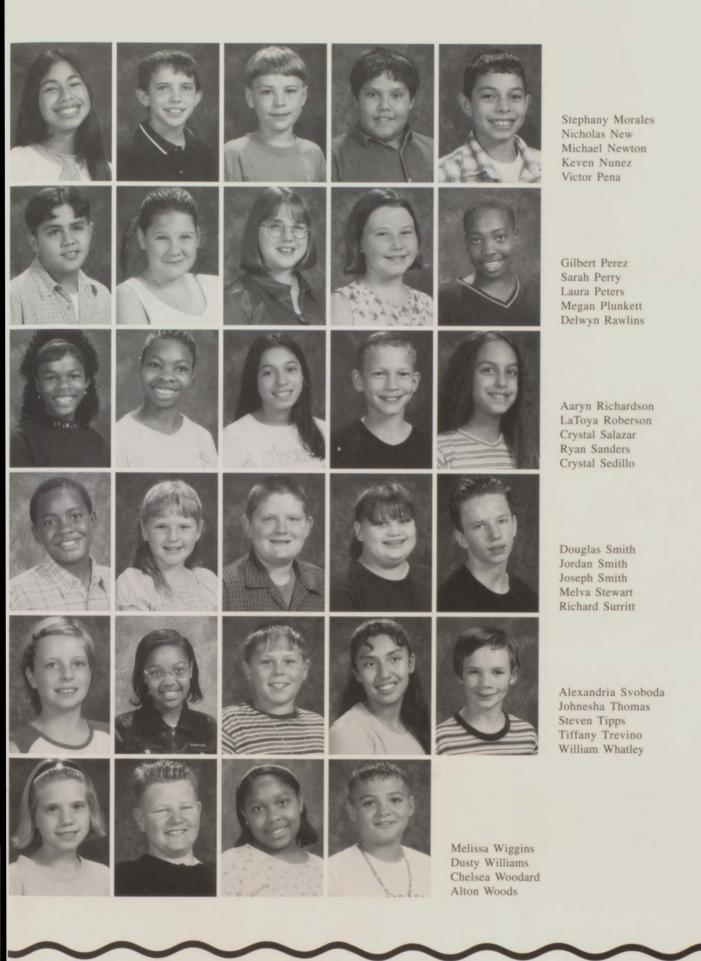
Above: You look like you need to find something fun to do before you go crazy!



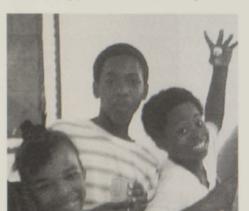
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Leslie Crews Corbin Dailey

Kristin Donaldson Scott Evanicky Kaitlen Gaubatz Robert George Kyle Gerla Shakita Goodman Shakita Goodman Briney Griggs Mykia Groves Milton Harris Terence Higgins Daniella Huerta Lesli Huerta Priscilla Jimenez Adam Jones Bradley Jones Clinton Kile Jeremy Knight Andrea Kocurek Rene Kocurek Michael Lawrence Christopher Lewis Arnold Mangum Andrew Massey David McCullers Brian Mendieta Charles Montalvo Domingo Montalvo Felix Montalvo Michael Moore



Practicing your hook shot in class again?

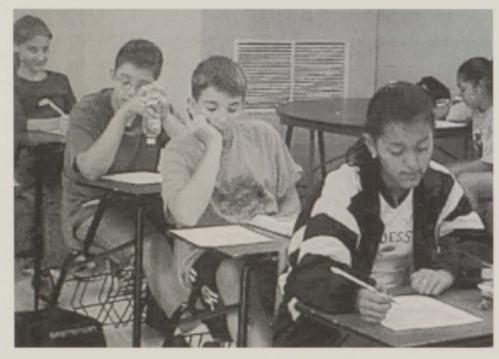


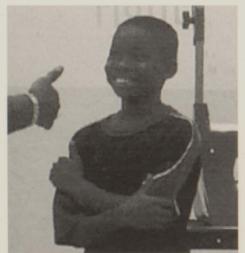
So what are you trying to tell me??



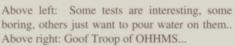
Somebody doesn't look very happy today...need a hug?? No?? Okay - we'll leave you alone...







Keston is getting put on the spot...do you know the answer???





I got this one aced!!! (A little confident are we??)

OHHMS MEMORIES

Favorite Teacher:

Favorite Class:

Best Friend(s):

Favorite Cafeteria Food Item:

Favorite Sport:

Favorite Place to Hang Out at School:







Eighth Grade Band

Directed by Mr. McBee and Mr. Cudd











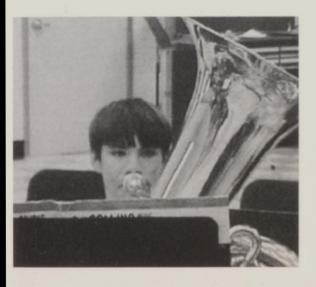


Seventh Grade Band

Directed by Mr. McBee and Mr. Cudd













O.H. Herman Middle School Cheerleaders





The girls take some time out to pose with their sponsor, Mrs. Dement.

These girls showed a lot of spirit at the games and pep rallies. They really did a job keeping the fans riled up and cheering on the teams!







THE BEACH (LASS











The Pond Class

EIGHTH GRADE PICNIC

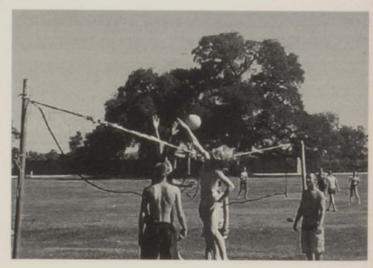


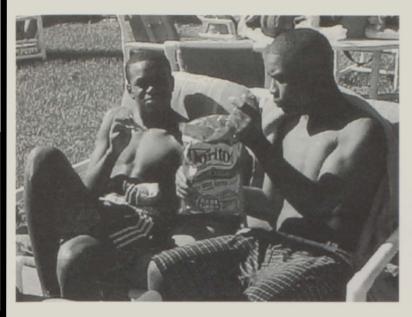


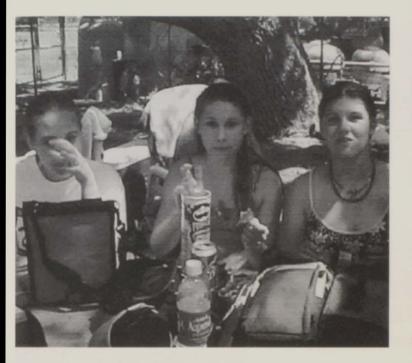


The eighth graders spent a sun-filled day at Celanese Park swimming, playing volleyball and just plain having fun!!



















EIGHTH GRADE BOYS FOOTBALL



O.H. Herman Middle School Eighth Grade Boys Football Team 2000



The eighth grade boys had a regular season record of 2-6-1 and a district record of 2-3.









Eighth Grade Boys Basketball

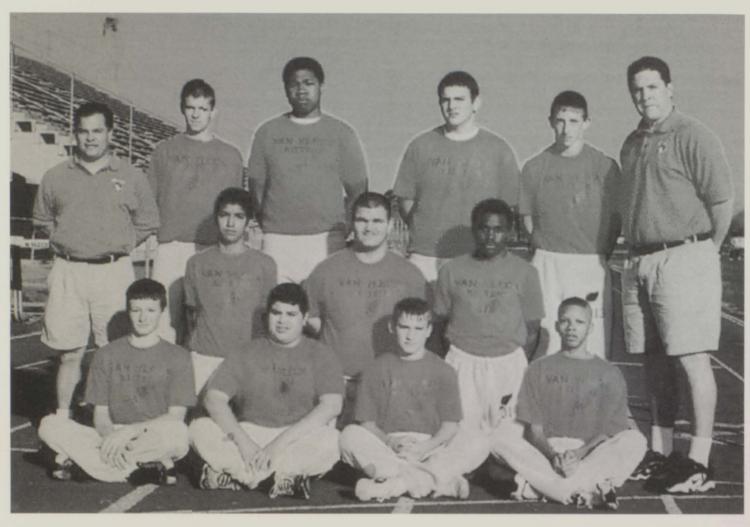


Back: Coach Webber, Clinton Downs, Christopher Owen, Chris Hudgins, Coach Bill. Front: Johnny Rab, Petey Owen, Daniel Griggs, Justin Bragg, Orville Richardson.



The team was 16-0 for the season and District champs with a record of 10-0...UNDEFEATED!!
In addition they placed first in the Needville
Tournament and first in the Clute Tournament. WAY
TO GO!!!!

Eighth Grade Boys Track

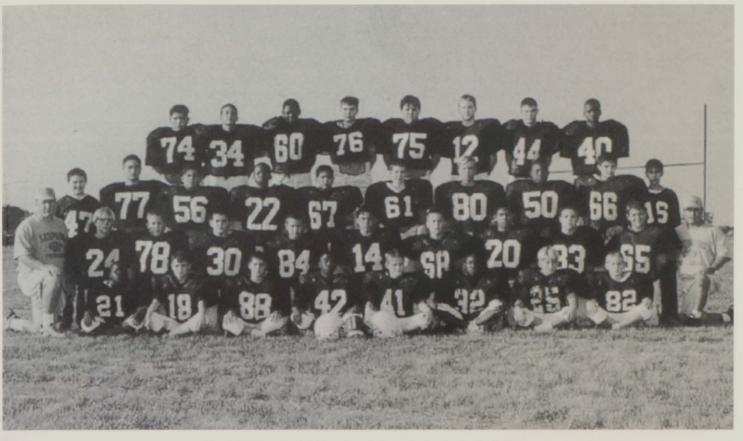


Back - Coach Bill, Justin Bragg, Christopher Hudgins, Christopher Owen, Clinton Downs, Coach Webber. Middle - Frank Gamez, Cody Coston, Orville Richardson. Front - Kevin Wray, Marco Pena, Jeremy Ryman, Daniel Griggs.



The 8th grade boys track team was Runner-up East Zone, and 28AA District Champs.

Seventh Grade Football



The O.H. Herman Middle School Seventh Grade Football Team



Record: 6-2-1 District Record: 4-1







Seventh Grade Boys Basketball



A-Team: Back - Coach Webber, Bryan Brown, Wyatt George, Kyle Krobot, Frank Gamez, Coach Bill. Front - Corey Blackmon, Robert Smith, Adam Rodriguez, Devon Williams.









B-Team: Back - Coach Webber, Chance Perkins, Joey Canales, Stephen Moore, Coach Bill. Front- Marcus Devance, Stephen Dybala, Aaron Lankston, Ryan Young.

Season: 15-1;
District Champs 10-0;
1st place in Needville
Tournament, 3rd in Clute
Tournament.

NICE GOING, GUYS!!



Seventh Grade Boys Track

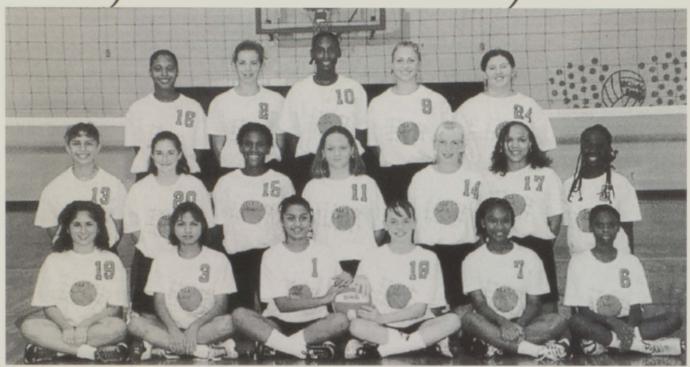


The Seventh Grade Boys Track Team



The 7th boys track team was
East Zone District Champ and
28AA District Champ!
Excellent job!!

Eighth Grade Girls Volleyball



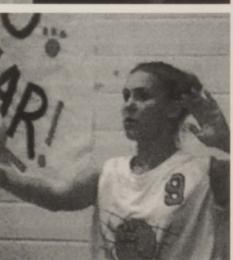
Back: Danielle LaCour, Holli Cadenhead, Kristen Burnett, Jenna Kubecka, Andrea Gerla. Middle: Kristen Reddoch, Heather Williams, Katina Edwards, Kristen Gaubatz, Stephanie Vicars, Porscha Marshall, Latrece Ellis. Front: Carmen Trevino, Valerie Tijierna, Lanora Luna, Brandi Tucker, Christina Woodard, Tasha Bivens.





The Eighth grade girls volley ball team finished the season with a record of 7-3. In addition they placed 2nd at the Freeport Tournament and placed 2nd in District. Way to play!!





Eighth Grade Girls Basketball



Back: Stephanie Vicars, Katina Edwards, Kristen Burnett, Holli Cadenhead, Andrea Gerla. Front: Tasha Bivens, Latrece Ellis, Kristen Reddoch, Lanora Luna, Jariesha Barnes.

The Eighth grade girls basketball team had an overall season record of 15-1, and were district champs with a record of 10-0. In addition they placed 1st at the Freeport Tournament and placed 2nd at the Sweeny Tournament.

Eighth Grade Girls Track



Back - Coach Griffin, Andrea Gerla, Stephanie Vicars, Kristen Reddoch, Kristen Gaubatz, Tiffany Hansen, Kristen Burnett, Holli Huerta, Stacy Plunkett, Coach Armstrong. Front - Tasha Bivens, Christina Woodard, Carmen Trevino, Lanora Luna, Brandy Tucker, Latrece Ellis, Jariesha Barnes.



Eighth Grade Girls
Track team place
1st at the Kitten
Relays, Was East
Zone Champs and
28AA District
Champs!

Seventh Grade Girls Volleyball



Front - Natalie Salazar, Lauren Diehm, Tammara Wiley, Crystal Dweavers. Second Row - Theresa Moreno, Gina Garcia, Becky Breazeale, Ashley Love, Tara McBee, Christina Trevino, LaKiesha, Katrina Griggs, Holly Weeks, Sarah Butler. Third Row - Sarah Rab, Shemarian Martin, Alaysha Ford, Shawnesha Brinkley, Monique Harris, Darilyn Chew, Evelyn Huerta, Ashley Charanza, Sadie Dykes, Coach Chew. Back - Lashay Edwards, Dorina Sauceda, Natalie Mullen, Jackie Paschall, Tonisha Brinkley, Casey Mitchell, Labeaulah Times, Michelle Tipps, Crystal Correa.



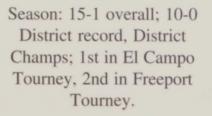
Season: 6-4;
3rd in District;
3rd Place in
Boling
Tornament.



Seventh Grade Girls Basketball



A-Team: Back - Sarah Butler, Alaysha Ford, Sadie Dykes, Sarah Rab, Monique Harris. Front - Becky Breazeale, Shemarian Martin, Evelyn Huerta, Katrina Griggs.











B-Team: Back - Michelle Tipps, Tonisha Brinkley, Casey Mitchell, Shawnesha Brinkley, Ashley Charanza. Front - Natalie Salazar, Labeaulah Times, Christina Trevino, Lashay Edwards, Darilyn Chew, Tammara Wiley.



Seventh Grade Girls Track



Front - Toisha Brinkley, Monique Harris, Katrina Griggs, Lashay Edwards, Michelle Tipps, Shawnesha Brinkley. Middle - Becky Breazeale, Tammara Wiley, Shemarian Martin, Christina Trevino, Evelyn Huerta, Clara Moreno, Coach Armstrong. Back - Darilyn Chew, Labeaulah Times, Sarah Rab, Sadie Dykes, Alaysha Ford, Sarah Butler, Ashley Charanza, Holly Weeks.



Record: 1st at Kitten Relays, East Zone Champs and 28AA District Champs!

OHHMS Class Favorites

ALL SCHOOL FAVORITES: Jenna Kubecks Jeremy Ryman



Nick New Johnesha Thomas



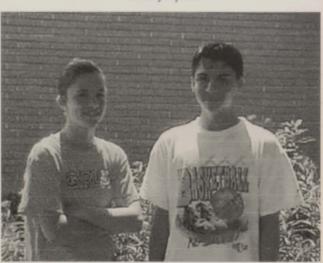
7th GRADE MOST SPIRITED: Frank Gamez Sadie Dykes



8th GRADE MOST SPIRITED: Latrece Ellis Jeremy Ryman



6th GRADE CLASS CLOWNS: Micheal Lawrence Lesli Cruz

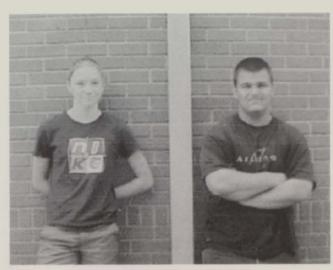


7th GRADE CLASS CLOWNS: Becky Breazeale Adam Rodriguez

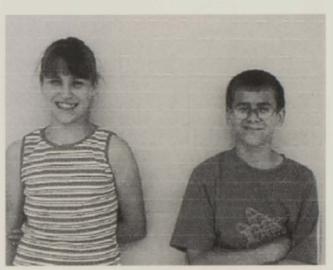
6th GRADE MOST TALKATIVE: Elijah Brinkley Brittney Griggs



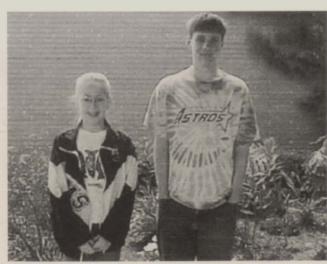
7th GRADE MOST TALKATIVE: Lashay Edwards Eddie Quiroga



8th GRADE MOST TALKATIVE: Ginger Luetge Cody Coston



6th GRADE SMARTEST: Shanna Clements Scott Evanicky



7th GRADE SMARTEST: Kay Peter Kevin Kucerek



8th GRADE SMARTEST: Justin Bragg Stephanie Vicars



To the Students, Parents, and Community:

We have had a wonderful year here at E. Rudd. We are truly blessed as a school and a community to have such great students and parents. Since this is my first year here at E. Rudd Intermediate, I thought it would be nice to know some history of our school.

On Saturday, January 20, 1996, Van Vleck Intermediate School was officially renamed after on of the district's and county's original education pioneers. The dedication ceremony was held to honor the late Elijah Rudd, the first Superintendent for Van Vleck ISD, by renaming the original school facilities in his honor - E. Rudd Intermediate School. Our school was built in 1939, and now serves as our 4th and 5th grade campus.

Historically instrumental in founding the Van Vleck ISD, Mr. Rudd became Van Vleck's very first superintendent in May 1938. He served in that capacity until May 1953. He also taught in Sweeny, Blessing, and Markham schools. Mr. Rudd completed his educational tenure as County Superintendent of Matagorda County. Mr. Rudd died in June 1985.

Knowing this brief history of our school, I know our staff, students, parents, and community are living up to the expectations set forth by Mr. Elijah Rudd.

Thanks,

John R. O'Brien Principal



She can't decide what to tell Santa that she wants for Christmas...



The elves take a break from their busy toymaking schedule to entertain us with a song...



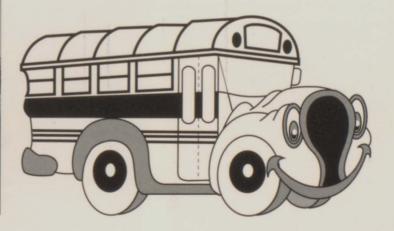
It's a pajama party!!! No, it's really the Christmas play the 4th and 5th grade presented.



All reindeer present and accounted for, Santa!



Principal O'Brien made friends with Clifford the Big Red Dog during the Book Fair.





Frances Baird LaVernn Brown Corrina Cortez Sharon Freeman







Nancy Grisham Debbie Martinez Debbie Mosier Debbie Munson

















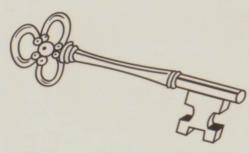








I am SO happy to be in the library...where's my book??



Teachers are the key to successful students...





What a voice!! The next generation of singers is coming out of Van Vleck!



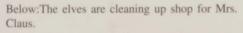
Either they are trying to hit a pinata, or acting out Star Wars!



Above: Happy little reindeer!

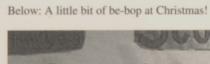


Above: The choir sings a yuletide tune.





Santa and Mrs. Claus give an outstanding performance! Give them a Grammy!







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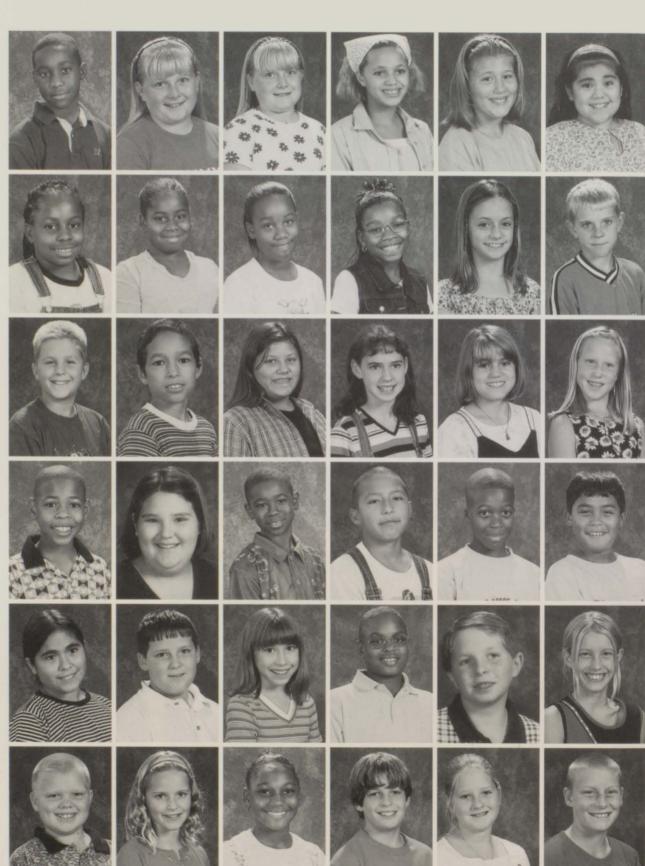
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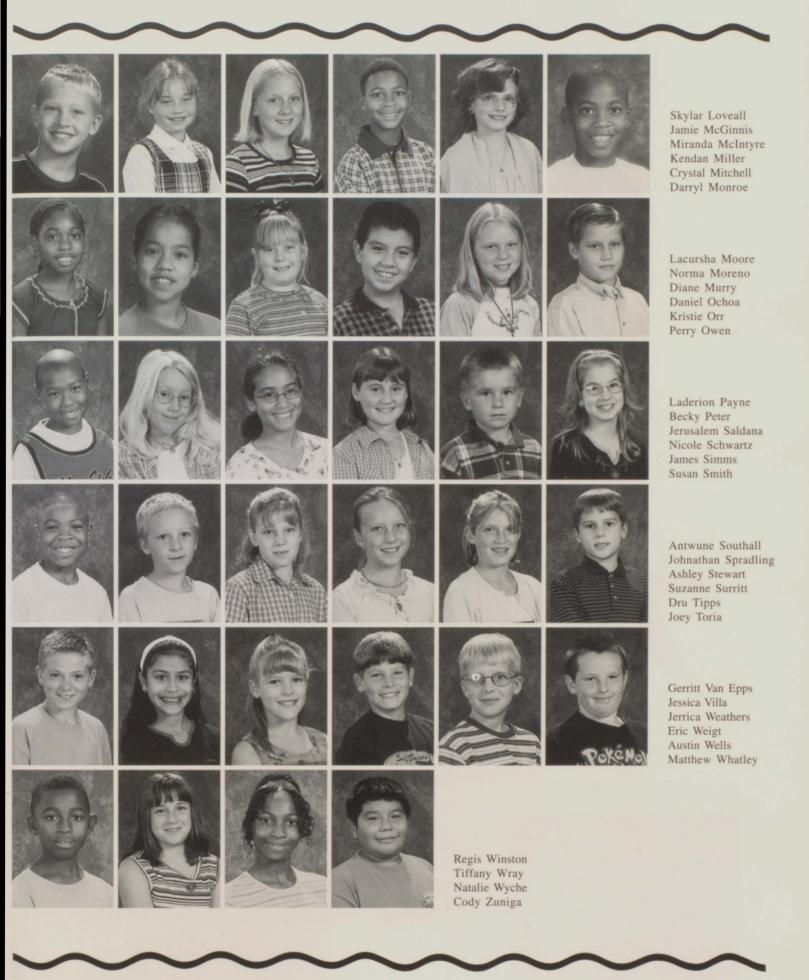
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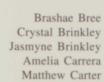
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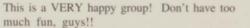




Above: Brittney sings beautifully for the crowd.



Above: Lacursha and Sam act as emcees for the music program.



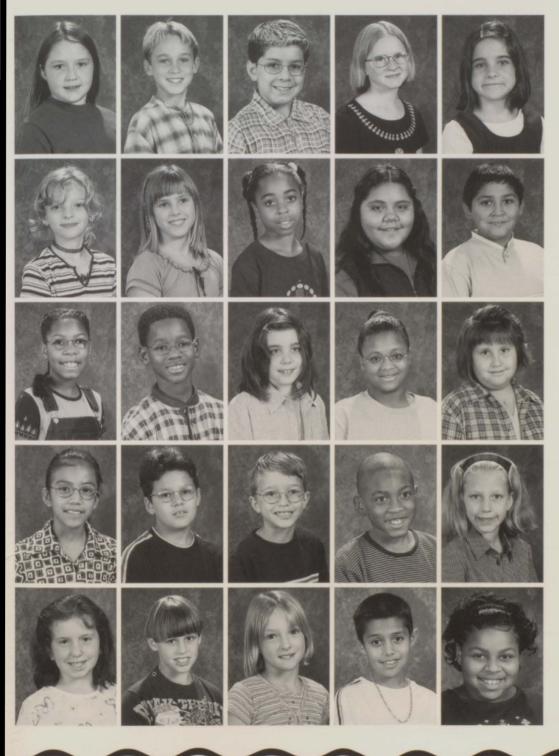






Below: The choir sings at the music day assembly.

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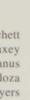
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Michelle Matchett Lance Maxey Thomas McManus Allen Mendoza Cody Meyers



































E. Rudd Memories



Favorite Teacher:

Favorite Subject:

Best Friend(s):

The one event of the year you remember most:



Leroy Smith Rodderick Smith Samantha Smith Kadee Snider Steven Snyder

Savanna Stewart Nikolas Svoboda Robert Tabares Whitney Tate Leslie Thomas

Christy Trevino Brittany Weeks Curtis Woodard Shane Yarborough

Autographs:



VV Elem. & E. Rudd Field Day



Top: Getting the teams organized. Above: Making a run for it.





Below: Those who aren't playing are watching.

Above: Taking her mark.





Flashing a little team spirit!



It's a challenge isn't it?? You can do it!



Parents help out on the obstacle course.



Are you entering the egg toss? Looks like your ready to WIN!





The sack race was a fight to the finish! Jump higher!!



Frisbees and volleyballs - the ultimate challenge!!



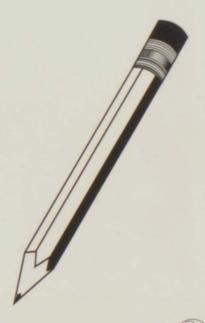
Walk carefully and don't drop the egg!

Record your field day events below:

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Autographs, Pictures, Stories, etc...

On the next 3 pages, have your friends sign, put in pictures from the school year, or write in some of your favorite stories about things you did in school!







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To Our Students and Parents:

My first year as principal at Van Vleck Elementary School has been a wonderful experience. We are fortunate to have great students and supportive parents. Our talented teaching staff provides the best possible learning environment for our children in Early Childhood through Grade Three.

Our campus has averaged approximately 318 students this year. Each student is unique and contributes to the diversity of our school. The varieties of activities, special events, and projects enjoyed by our students will be depicted in the photographs in this Yearbook.

Van Vleck Elementary has been recognized as a State Exemplary School for the past two years. Our campus commitment to excellence and our parental support are the reason for our success. We believe every child can learn and we enjoy seeing that happen.

I am very glad to be a part of the Van Vleck school community.

Sincerely,

Linda Buss Principal Van Vleck Elementary School

Mrs. Buss shares her excitement with the students!









Mr. Holubec seems lost in a sea of children!!



The students are good AR readers with lots of AR points, and got a special visit from the school mascot.

Like our fishies??



Left: Mrs. Frankson's and Mrs. Schelsteder's Kindergarden classes are getting ready to go on the Gingerbread Boy Hunt.



A special award for a Leopard reader!



VV Elementary Faculty





Clara Ashton Janice Ashton Kay Atherton Terresa Bolton Cindy Brookhouser

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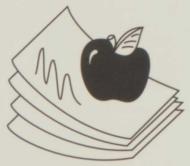
Janet Hatchett Wanda Hawkins Sue Holden David Holubec Raul Huerta

Trinidad Huerta Lucia Hyde Sandra Joyner Helen Kassler Sherry Klein





Mrs. Atherton looks like she's hard at work - but takes a break to give us a smile!:)





Mrs. McCrosky has been the school district's nurse for 29 and a half years! WOW!!





Shirley Paschall Jo Evelyn Patterson Debbie Peter Shelby Robertson Karen Schelsteder

Julia Martinez Susie Matchett

Judy Miller Stephanie O'Brien Winnie O'Connell



Larry Bachus Lishelle Bacon Whitni Ballinger William Barker Chelsea Barrie Lexus Bell

Terrence Bell Melissa Bertrand Brashard Bree Jaylon Brinkley Amanda Brooker Alisha Brown

Allena Brown Sha'Quall Brown Darrin Calk Justin Carell Mariah Colbert Juan Cortez

Petra Cortinas Jonathan Coston Zachary Crain Tyler Crawford Rodney Crews Ciera Escobedo

Tiffany Escobedo Shawn Fisher Renee Flemings James Franco Trent Freeman George Garcia

Laura Gerla Audrey Gomez Desiree Griggs Samantha Gunn Erika Gunter Amy Hale

Tabitha Hallman Odis Hawkins Hillary Huerta Selena Jimenez Lacy Johnson Jessica Keidel





Brittany Louvier Johanna Lowry Mary Major James McIntyre Jose Moreno Cortney Murry

Adriana Ochoa Fransisco Ochoa Bobbie Palmer Ryder Patterson Catherine Pena Courtney Pharis

Amber Polk Mitchell Popp Jeremy Quiroga Zackary Quiroga David Radford Trea Reed

Jay Robles John Robles Evan Rodriguez Victoria Rodriguez Gabrielle Serrano Shonte Sifford

Deanna Simkins Amber Simpson Desmond Smith Elicia Smith Na'Taja Smith Wayne Smith

Daffanee Thomas Jeffery Trantham Blair Trevino Blake Trevino Joey Trevino Daniel Vicars





Terrence brought his pet snake to share with the classes. Creepy! ~~



Mrs. Brookhouser's class listens attentively...but who's talking to them?



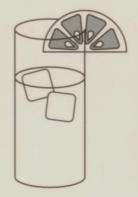
Odis and Wayne seem hard at work on their Texas Time Lines.



Johannah and Mandi work on their fossils.



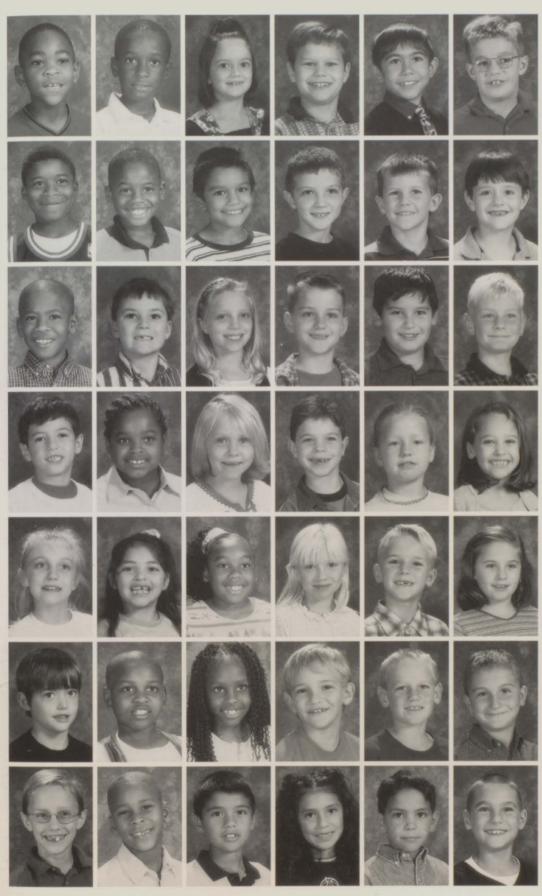
Mandi brought her kitty to share with her friends - what a pretty kitty it is!



Amanda and her two best friends:)



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Jerrell Collins Danny Craig Lyndee Dement Jordan Donaldson Matthew Dykes Dane Evans

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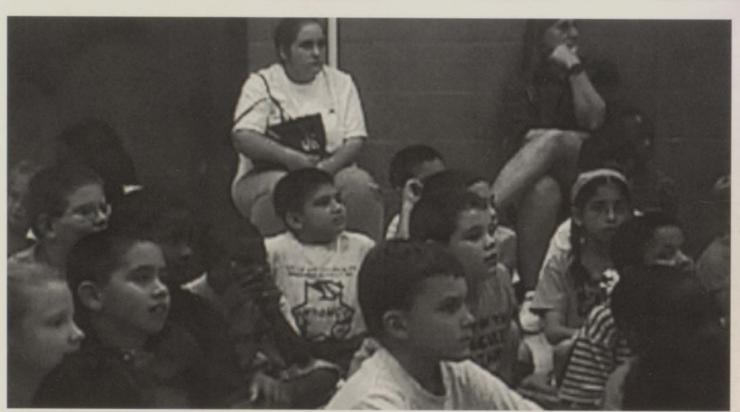
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Issac Schroeder
Richard Sedillo
Logan Smith
Tyler Smith
Kelsey Spennenberg

Kasendra Tagg Andrea Thomas Anthony Tolson Raymond Trevino Garrett Wernly Samantha Wyche





They're looking...but are they listening??

2nd graders were among the honorees at the awards assembly for Honor Roll.



UIL Finalist for the Second Grade





Left: Danny Craig displays his Texas Project.





Joshua and friends take a break from the jump rope activities.



Chasidi and Lyndee look like they're getting tired!



Mrs. Ford shows them how jumping rope is done!

FIRST

Sean Airrington Jonathan Alfaro Tiffany Allen Justin Austin Terry Bachus Brandi Berry

Emmanuel Bree Rosita Brown Cristin Calk Santiago Canales Jabarius Carger Samantha Carrera

Tierra Castile Kassandra Cervantes Jorge Correa Jordan Cortinas Tyler Cox Shanquandra Deloach

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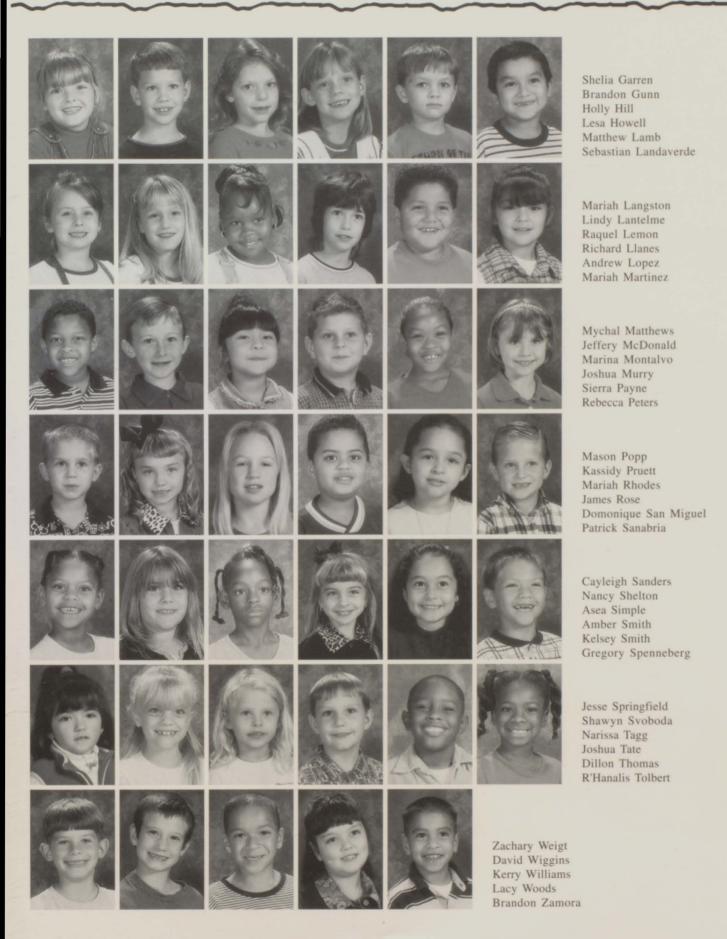


Above: Kelsey Smith is one fast reader!

Right: Our future's so bright we have to wear shades!!







Brandon Gunn keeps under cover while he reads to his friends.



Andrew Lopez REALLY gets in to his stories!



The First graders gather for the awards assembly in the gym.



Left: First graders hang out with the Easter Bunny in April. Find any eggs?



See to Street.

Brandi Berry reads quietly to herself...must be a good book!



And the winners are...



Emmanuel Bree tell us the story in his own words.

DERGARTEN



Darrell Airrington Bradley Allen Akra Bickham Mycah Brooker Christopher Broussard Marcus Brown



Steven Cegielski Kennedy Cheatham Celena Cortez Mikal Coston Megan Dement

Melanie Calk

Brandon Donaldson Mary Katherine Frankson Samuel Garcia Scotty Goodman Damion Green Faith Grisham

Matthew Hallman Christina Henry Mary Huerta Amy Huggins Destiny Hughes Froderick James

Orrin King Kamille Kucera Cody Land John Lewis Quaya Lewis Jared Martinez

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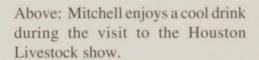
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Above right: Devonnaire demonstrates his volcano experiment.

Right: "We love the lunch room!!"









Kindergarten Rodeo





Left: Race you to the other end!

Right: Ride 'em, Cowgirl! Mrs. Buss shows her rodeo talents!





Warming up in the "chutes" for the big ride!



Kayla makes a cutie of a cowgirl!



Above: Yep, that there's my ropin' partner!

Right: Hey, your milkin' a cow!!



PRESCHOOL

Colyn Alford Tevin Austin Rosa Barrera Gary Bergen Jacob Bill Dakota Bramble

Montrae Brown
Montrell Brown
Jonathan Carrera
Juanya Castile
Lawren Dailey
Federick Durrance

Amy Garcia Joshua Gutierrez Roshaun Higgins Kolton Huron Delana Ivy Brelynn James

Kate Langston Courtney Louver Jacob McDonald Francisco Montalvo Trustin Norris Abigail Palmer

Autumn Parsons Jimmy Ramirez Shannon Risinger Stephen Ross San Juan Sanchez Tori Smith

Jasmyn Svoboda Taylor Thompson Kevin Tolson Sabrina Trevino Charity Wells Antone Zamora





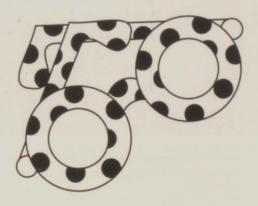
Mrs. Matchett sits with Isaac for his firetruck ride.

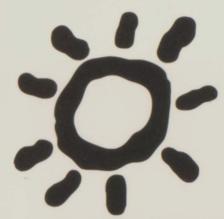


These guys look like they're ready to go!!



Off on a ride around the neighborhood!







The Firemen help a student down from the truck after her ride.

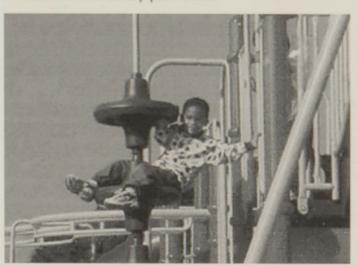
The Life and Times of VV Elementary Students



Right: These super readers enjoyed a visit from the Leopard for a job well done!



That looks like one tasty piece of fruit!



Hang on!





Mrs. O'Brien gives the kids a food learning experience...and a little snack. THEY JUST LOVE IT!

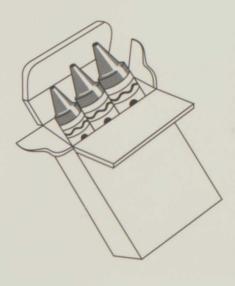


Brelyn and Shannon love to play house.



Dakota, Amy and Lauren enjoy playing with Amy's adorable puppy.





Left: 2nd and 3rd grade UIL winners pose for a group picture. Way to go!!





Senior and OTA Jarryd Raynes has a little chat with some of the students during PE class...No bad habits, Jarryd!!



The Indians caught Mr. Spivey, but not before he put up a good chase!



Devyn, Dakota and Juanya hang on to their horses during the pre-K rodeo.



Jacob, Tevin, Frankie and Shannon wait for the trail ride to start.





Left: Jonathan, Rosa, Delana and Brelyn are making vests for the Thanksgiving festivities.

Below: Learning to milk a cow during rodeo time.





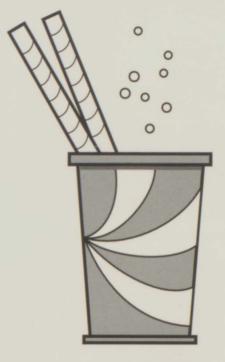
Kate made a new friend at the wildlife park.



Kate Langston was Mrs. Cotez's helper during the Good Dental Hygeine program.



Milking cows - a whole new experience for these pre-K students.



Making pizzas - is the next ingredient gummy bears??



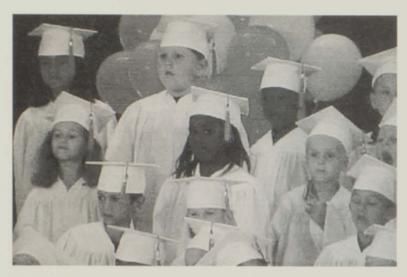




Montrell and the others had fun making pizzas at Mr. Gatti's - now Montrell looks ready to eat it!



Mrs. Hatchett and her 6-group table have a fun filled learning experience.



The faces of our future - aren't they just precious??



That is one huge pig!



The students enjoy a ride through the Bayou Wildlife Park.



Leopards come in all sizes!



Mrs. Buss and Mrs. Burgess were speakers at the Kindergraduation ceremony.



They're so silly!! The kids had a wonderful time at the wildlife park!

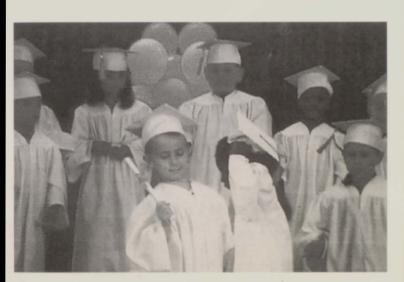
Kindergraduation 2001





Kennedy shows off her "diploma" with a smile!

The Kindergraduates - Class of 2001



I'm gonna go to Disneyland now!!







Above: Mr. Durham and Mrs. Buss congratulate another happy kindergrad! Left: Mr. Durham shares the secret of success with a young graduate.

Elementary Memories...

Teacher's Name
Best Friend(s)
Favorite School Activity
Name one thing that you learned this year:
Special Awards you received this year:
Write a short story about something you did this year:

Place pictures or other mementos here:



Life's Little Questions...

If you were president for a day, what changes would you make in this country?

If you were stranded on a desert island, what one object could you not survive without?

If you could be good at doing one and only one thing, what would it be and why?

What famous person would you choose to play you in a movie about your life?



If you could be any age other than the age you are now, how old would you be and why?

If you could be any animal, what would it be and why?

If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go and why?

Who or what is your favorite:
Singer?:
Actor/Actress?:
Athlete?:
Movie?:
Song?:
Fast Food?:
Now look back on this in the years to come and see how

you have changed!!

What is the one thing you would do to make the world a better place??



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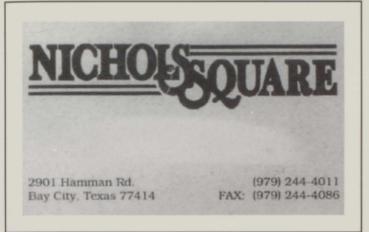






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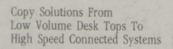
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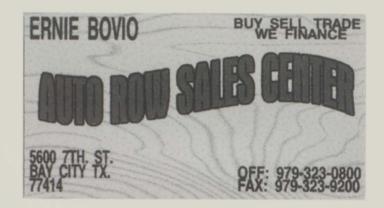
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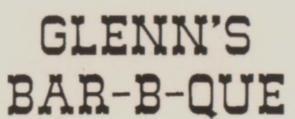
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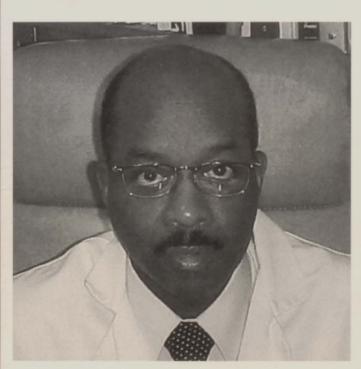


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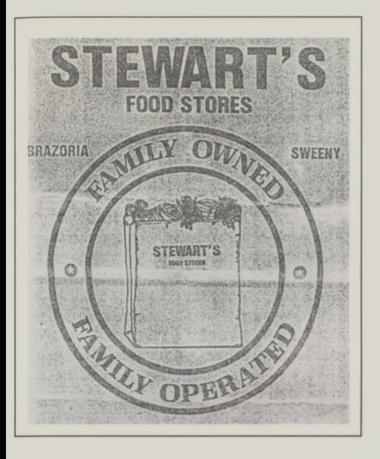
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Eighth Grade Dance

Right: Ernest Thibodeaux and Orville Richardson are looking for a lady to dance with.

May 5, 2001

Right: Dancing Queens!!





Above left: Chris Owen and Carmen Trevino enjoy a slow dance. Above right: Lanora Luna and Clinton Downs look so cute together!

Jenna, Jennifer and Stephanie give us a beautiful smile!











Jareisha is betting Kristen a dollar that this picture will end up in the yearbook!!

I just LOVE to dance!!!!!!!



Below:Looks like a free-for-all!! Where's the ball anyway?? Far right: Freshmen girls bask in victory!

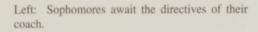


Powder Puff Football May 7, 2001 Winner: Freshmen





Above: Flags, girls! Grab the flags!!!



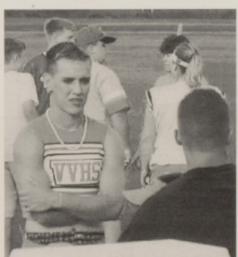


Jered Hales gets tossed in the air by the other "cheerleaders."





Run! Run for your life!!!!



David Mitchell looks so cute as a cheerleader!! Rah rah!!

Right: Allen David and date Brittney. Far right: Wayland Stubblefield and Morrisha Ellis.

Prom 2001

Lost in Atlantis





Above left: Larissa Ness looking lovely! Above right: Jason Sciba and the lovely Christina Roth.

Mr. McBee would fit right in in Vegas!









2001 Prom King and Queen Daniel Shalley & Mary Kelly

Wouldn't be a TX Prom without the Cotton Eyed Joe!









Below left: Michael Wallace and his date Penny Grebe. Below Right: Kurt Freeman and Kelli Waits are in STYLE!!





Below left: James Hayden, Cachet Petty, Kole Kopnicky and Nicci Joiner -Lookin' good! Below right: I think JoeAnna disagrees with the dealer...



Far Left: Mr. Spivey and Sissy Austin. Left:Ashley Edison and her handsome date. Below left: Mrs. Ottis deals out the next round...place your bets!

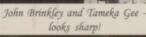


Below left: Darren Floyd and his beautiful date Ashley. Below right: Isedoll Mangum and his date flash a smile!













Graduation

L Baccalaureate

By Heather Serrill

Graduation was held May 25 at the Bay City Civic Center. It was one of the best graduation ceremonies I have attended. Nicci Joiner delivered a wonderful Salutatorian speech, focusing on the journey the class members made to get where they were that night. Dawn Hodges delivered an inspirational Valedictorian speech focusing of the future. Larissa Ness composed and sang a beautiful song for the graduating class called "Keep Your Memories in Your Pocket." I see now why she was voted Most Likely to be a Singer! Sissy Austin was in attendance, and although she was unable to graduate with the class, she was allowed to participate in the ceremony. Last Leopard Awards were given to the students who were the last members of their immediate family to graduate from Van Vleck. The ceremony ended with all the seniors gathering in the parking lot to sing the school song one last time, and some piled into Tony Ross's truck before they tossed their hats. Many hugs went all around, and some tears were shed that night...but they didn't cry because they were graduating or leaving their friends.

They cried because they remembered.



Above: Anthony Kimmey is outta here!

Althought Sissy did not graduate with the class, she received the Principal's Award which was renamed in her honor, and was given a Certificate of Attendance.













Above, Brandi Perez gives a smile as Mr. Charanza presents her diploma to her. Right, Chance couldn't be happier to be graduating!







Baccalaureate was held on May 20 on the football field. The students put together a nice presentation, including speeches and singing.







That was then...

This is now!!

Some things never change.

We are proud of all that you have accomplished and we are looking for bigger and better things in the future.

We Bove You!

Mom, Dad, & Feryca



Danielle,

We are proud of your success in NHS and your school spirit.

Heep reaching for high goals.

Bove, Mom & Teddy



Casey's off to save the world again!!

Congratulations on your graduation! We wish you much luck in the future!

Love, Granny, Papa & Mom



CONGRATULATIONS (ASEY AND JASON!

PUT YOUR BEST FOOT FORWARD AND CONTINUE ON!

Love, Sonny, Mom & Alan

Heather Serrill, Yearbook Adviser

This has been an incredible year for the Leopards both young and old. I hope that this yearbook will be one of the best that Van Vleck has ever seen, and hope that whoever my torch is passed to will continue to provide a book of memories that will live up to it's purpose. I would like to thank Mr. Spivey for allowing me to take on this endeavor, as I have enjoyed it very much. I would also like to thank all those who contributed photographs and interviews to the yearbook, you are too numerous to mention all by name, but we could not have gotten it together without you!

In my one year at Van Vleck, and my only year, I have seen so much closeness - like one big family. The students didn't have their little cliques, everyone was friends with everyone else, support was tremendous...and whenever there was tragedy or despair, everyone came together. The students I worked with this year were wonderful! They were outstanding individuals who held on to themselves and didn't try to be someone they weren't. I have seen athletes who did not let defeat beat their spirit down...winners who were gracious about winning, not pompous or gloaty about it. Here they are just everyday people doing every day things and not trying to beat down a friend to get to the top - these are truly admirable traits. Failure was met with a stern and determined attitude..."I will do better!!" And 99% of the time, they did. I know I am speaking mostly of the high school students, but I truly feel that it is an indication of the future of our students success from other grade levels.

This yearbook has been my "baby" this year. I have worked hard to try and provide to you a book that you will enjoy reading and flipping through again and again for years to come. There are a few errors, which are natural for a yearbook, and I do apologize for them. In constructing this book, I listened to the students. What did they want in a yearbook? I got their input. At the same time I looked back at past yearbooks and thought about what they were missing...what would have made them jump out at the reader/viewer? I hope in doing so I have made something special for the students. You will notice I have added pages in the book for students to write about their school year, and pages for them to have friends sign, or to put photos, etc. I hope this will be the start of a new trend, as it is a new millennium, and a new generation starts every day.

Once again, thank you for making this year one to remember... $\sim H.S.$

















