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## Look

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Enrolfment: 2460




It was 63 years ago that our once solitary building first opened to a joyous, grateful public. The year was 1935, Franklin D. Roosevelt was president, and Blair's enrollment totaled 268. At first, Blair only consisted of today's C building and the congested fields upon which our portables now sit. However, due to the booming population of our area we soon built and expanded our facility to what we all know today.

In 63 years, the Blair community has witnessed major world events unfold right before our very eyes, forever changing humankind. These events include wars (such as W.W.II and Vietnam), scientific and medical advancements, and most of all, cultural changes in the ways we view race, sex, and economic diversity. Blair has seen theatrical stars such as Goldie Hawn and Ben Stein pass through its halls. When we leave Blair, we must prepare to leave behind a community which has become a part of our high school life. This community has let us park in their streets, opened stores for us to patronize, and furthermore, it has been a community which has enjoyed our company for over six decades.

When we leave Blair at the end of this year, we won't just be leaving the building of yesterday, but we'll ultimately be leaving 63 years of our distinguished history. These years of hopes, dreams, success stories, and failures have made this institution of learning a special place to be remembered in the years to come. Even today, when friends converse over lunch, we see the history that students before us have left. We also realize the legacy we will leave to the upcoming classes. Soon though, that chain of progression will be broken and a new chapter in Blair's history will be wrought. So let's remember this year, our last at Blair as we know it, and take ONE LAST LOOK back, relishing every detail.
-Howard Stone


As students prepare to abandon the original Montgomery Blair High School, they take one last look at the edifice which fias served as the foundation for their maturation, persistence and fard work. Each day, the vast student popuCation utilizes the building and portables, providing an opportunity to meet new people and create new memories wfile remeniscing about old times. The majority of students at Blair feel that school provides many experiences, ranging from parties to detention. School is an adolescent's occupation and here is where a teenager fropes to solidify fiis/ fier future. The '97-'98 school year was unique. Students participated in many activities including: fromecoming, sports, music, art and much much more. Never before fave there been so many clubs at Blair, and many students
 took the initiative to get involved with an extracurricular activity which peaked their interest. Being the Last class to graduate from Montgomery Blair on Wayne Ave., the class of 1998 displayed an overwhelming amount of spirit. From the first day to the Last, Blazers worked and partied hard. The '97-'98 school year brought an incredible
 Homecoming, Prom and graduation. If we stop and take
one last look at the ofd Blair, it is obvious that school was Homecoming, Prom and graduation. If we stop and take
one last look at the old Blair, it is obvious that school was a very personal part of every students' [ife.

## Summer's Great Escape

"We gon' show you how we party." Senior Jessica Mayorga spent her summer working and singer of a famous dixoteque in Zurich, Switzerland. While working she met Magic Juan-the lead



Ready, set, go. . . English teacher Bonnie Palmer and Sophomores Jiacuy Roche and Robert Pamer miles across Maryland.


"Smille for the cameral" Seniors Anna Mackler "Aren't we all looking happy?" Juniors Victor $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{ll}\text { and Greg Bermard spent tewnty five days of } & \text { Martinez, Sara Paul, and Melissa Clark were all } \\ \text { their summer cruising the deep south to study }\end{array} & \text { smiles when they went to Rehobeth Beach in }\end{array}$ their summer cruisisng the deep south to stuay $\begin{aligned} & \text { divil rights moverment with Operation Un- Delaware for some rest }\end{aligned}$ derstanding, D.C. This picture was taken in and relaxation.
Selma, Alabama, at the National Voting Rights
Museum.

## Favorite Friends

D or as long as there has been a Blair you will need them-they will be there", ex High School, there have been groups plains junior Leah Baker.
of friends, old and new. High school a time for finding yourself, growing, and planning the rest of your life. But most stuthrough these years. Many students find someone at Blair so much like themselves that everything they do, they do together "There are many friends that you meet in school, but the ones that you've known the longest, you seem to stick to the most", says junior Lea Westbrook.
Most people at Blair say that they have someone to turn to, no matter what friends who become distant ore are best friends who Decome distant or people who you can probably think of at least one person for whom you will be there forever. "It is difficult to find people or a person that you trust, but once you do, hold on to that person because you know that whenever

## "People always tell me that I will never keep in touch with the people from high school, but the friendships I have made here tell my otherwise." Senior Rob frends "You need to keep your good friends close because girls come and go, Rodney Brookins iting experience especially for freshmen Many people had an easy time coming to Blair and taking advantage of the nearly 2,500 students. "This school is so friendly. People talk to me even though I'm a fresh freshman Aileen Chang. <br> 




I wish I could do everythingI Freshmen were often overwhelmed with the smorgasbord of activities thrown at them during their first activity
fair. Participating in clubs and sports is a great way to meet new friends.

Open lunch is the bomb. . . .but where should we eat? Finding a place to eat lunch is a problem for many freshmen, who don't have cars go out to lunch. Back in middle school, they


I feel so trapped in this big piece of cheese. . . says junior Nidhi Gupta to fellow junior Grace Nieh. Not all juniors were lucky enough to be able to drive to school, so mat
got stuck riding the cheese mobile to and from Blair.


It's a beautiful day in the neighborhood. . .Sophomores take advantage of a nice sunny day. Studying and talking outside is a great way to bond with old friends, and to meet
new friends. People who just hang out outside are easy to meet and become friends with at Blair.

 Durham and her date step through the door they
display nothing but glamour and style.



LADIES MIGHT OUT.. For this group of gorgeous young party seekers,
Prom simply means "LaProm simply means "La
dies Night Out" Rent a 10 dies Night Out". Rent a 10 fancy restaurant, cruise around town sipping soda, make an elaborate appearance at Prom, and record one of the best
nights of your history being friends.


A Night to Remember


Something Kodak Can' t Touch
WT $\begin{array}{ll}\text { hile sitting in the crowded hallways } \\ \text { of Blair we listen to Blair's radio sta } & \text { more Stacey Trock reminisces, "The week } \\ \text { of Homecoming last year the upper }\end{array}$ / of Blair we listen to Blair's radio sta of Homecoming last year the uper be proud of '00.' When asked to recall a Whether it is about current gossip, sharing thing academic, we do not realize how much we cherish these moments through our years at Blair until we are gone.

Upon coming here freshman year, many are excited while all are overwhelmed with high school. Junior Lori Bartlett recalls her first day at Blair when an upper seven of my classes!" Most are not this lucky but many people have special memories from freshman year, considering it is their first year of high school.

Junior Omar Bruce, reminisces, "1
freshman year, and the bamma outfit 1
wore." Few have the glory of winning this
honor but simply participating in Homecom-
ing and its activities are just as fun. Sopho-
There you go Prince Charming." Senior Lisa Baccala attaches Kevin Oakley's sash during the
pep rally. Five lucky seniors receive the hono of prince-for-a-day every year.

"What's the story Moming Clory?" Juniors Sara Paul and Melissa Clark talk before school about current goings on. Many people meet in the
student parking lot in the moming before they rush off to first period.
"Do you have a minute?" Seniors Yoshi Manale and Lara Handler take advantage of the few minutes during passing time to talk. Most stu-
dents like to chat in between classes before moving on to the next period.

* Kate Mines

 ond annual event was a big success for the class of ' 98 , who held on to their title.


# City at Your Fingertips 



Three's Company... Seniors Celia Zwerdling, Lisa Pineles, and Jaime Bauer take a day to sit back and smell the flowers. Hanging on the mall is a fun and free way to spend the day with
friends.


Blues Brothers. Seniors Matt Fagan and Mike Wolcott sport their complementary shirts after participating in AIDS Ride Washington. Being near the Nation's captial enables students to fight
for many political and social issues.


Take a bow Senior Jesse Miyoshi shows his skills on the city streets. Skaters have an endless supply of props and obstacles amongst the steps and statues of Washington.


Olimme that micl" Senior Christina Garcia does a solo at the Wilson Center in Morthwest DC. Living near the city provides an ndless supply of music. From Goo-go to Sk to Jazz, studen

Where's the beef oppia Ahemd Ruth ask seniors Jessica Fry Luselela. Taste of $D C$ is just one of many ethnic events in the area giving students a chance to experience different cultures.


Revisiting the Eighties... Sophomore Maria Ortado is known through Blair as the girl with the force. Even though the style has faded. Maria shows us it has not totally disappeared.

The Styles We Miss


Collars....UPI Junior Darian Harvey goes against the fashion grain, wearing his collar in the upward position. It was way back in the
days of Grease when wearing flipped up col lars was the fashion.

All prepped up, and no place to go... Junior Joe Lott is looking rather preppy as he eats
lunch with junior Nicholas Duarte, and seniors Maggie Pancost, and Craig Readler. For many the preppy look is a welcome come-back.


Do bleach-blonds really have more fun? Senior Amanda Vockerodt sports her bleach-blond wig for the powder puff football game while Junior Nicole Dade yells for the team. We all remember the days when bleaching your hair was the thing to do, however for most the bleaching fad has been left behind.



Where does this one go? Junior Chuck Stitt
shelves books at the Long Branch library atter shelves books at the Long Branch library after
school. Students work at a variety of different jobs in their free time to eam extra money.

## Time To Kill



S
tudents these days seem to be
bogged down with endless bogged down with endless amounts of homework. Yet, believe it or not, they find some free time here and there
when they can relax and get a break from school. From sports to art from jobstojust lain hanging out with frient tudent engage in a wide variety of activities out side of school
Many students just like to relax to get their minds off the stress from school Sophomore Anjana Singh says, "In my free
time, I like to listen to music, talk on the phone, and sleep."
phone, and sleep."
Other students at Blair prefer to be active in their free time. After sitting in school all day long, exercising lets students have a change of pace in their day, and it lets them release their stress and energy. Senior Erik Reed says, "I lift weights and run to get in shape for wrestling." Freshman Bella Ahanogbe also en
joys staying active. "I like to play sports such as soccer and basketball", she says. Lyanna Tep, a sophomore, spends She says," "I like playing pool and doing karaoke" Other students spend their free time working at jobs. This gives them something o do after school while earning money at the same time. Having a job also gives students experience in the business world. "I clean an office building every day after school so I can have money to spend on othes," says junior Morgan Henry. Sophomore Danielle Russell says, "I just like to sit and think a lo
When they find time outside of chool students have many ways to spend heir free time and get away from it all.

waits in line impatiently as freshman Delores Sachadeo talks on the phone with a friend. Blair students are known
spend endless hours on the phone during free-time.


Are you done with the phone already? Senior Lucian DaSilva


Adding the finishing touches. Sophomore Jia Xu finishes his draw ing of an airplane, an activitity that he enjoys doing when he has time away from school. Many students develop their artistic abilities in

Just Chillin' Junior Rameez Abbas relaxes after school by listenin her walkman. Walkmans and Discmans are favorite possesion selections.

Yes, I got the high scorel Freshman Ursula Hill plays a game of Tetris on the computer, something that lets her have fun and relax at the same time. Students often become
addicted to computer games and rush out to but the new releases.

Fashion E Trends
Big man on campus. Oversized khakis are Sophomore Rodney Brookins' favorite fashion to
sport. Oversized clothes are big in general for te '97 sport. Oversized clothes are big in general for the '97-'98 school year. Students buy jeans,
pants, shirts, and jackets nearly twice their size before hitting the halls.




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See you at the car wash." Senoirs Jameelah It's all in the name... Senoir Leslie Kudayah Carter and Beth Luselela show off their sleek style while making their car shine clean.
, Celistan, and Kelly Douglas show off their de signer threads. Moschino, Armani, Bebe, an kalph Lauren are just a few of the favorite bran names worn by students this year.

## Going to Extremes Hey I can flyl Sophomore Billy Saunders does kickflip, a popular skateboarding trick.

Fooball, basketball, soccer, baseball; students are crazy for partaking in such when you hear the word "sport". Why sound strange at first?. Computers, rocknot? After all, these are the sports that have become popular. These are the sports that are broadcast each season to millions of people. These are the sports which domito some students however these sport have become ordinary, usual, BORING. Many students at Blair participa in more unusual or unorthodox sports such as Senior Gordon Li. Gordon, who is a very
enthusiastic skydiver says "I skydive because there is always an element of risk. Sophomore James McKenna is an avid street rollerblader and if you cruise around
will probably see him. James says "I skate because there is a certain amount of ets, even football must have sounded strange at first. Or baseball, a game where you must run back to where you started from to get a point. If you are there already, why did you move in the first place? Maybe
these sports are not unorthodox but just a these sports are not unorthodox but just a
little different than average sports such as little different than average sports such a
football, basketball, and baseball. Street skating and paintball are possible additions to the next Olympics. Unorthodox sports should not be thought of as detrimental to the community but rather, a form of expres sion.
adrenaline that I get when I skate, thats why I do it"

Many people would say that these
-Pat Callahan


Just a little morel Sophomore James McKenna holds a topside acid oul in a popular skate place in Silver Spring

ell me again why I did this...Junior Persis Yu went parasailing in New Zealand over the summer

Ithink I got it. . .Sophomore Quang Ngugen plays a different sort of footbag with his friends outside the B-C hall breezeway


## Leave Wayne?But I'll Miss...


"I'll miss the area. The atmosphere is broad and unique, much more than other schools!" -Kerlin LaPierre, senior


Mr. and Mrs. Kay have been here for all four of my years at Blair and I'm really going to miss them:
-Renee Amponsah, senior
"I'll really miss the old-style feel to this Blair.

open lunch just eating by the lockers ...open lunch
-Kia Torres and Bruno Rubindecelis, sophomores

"We have parks here and Sligo. There it' instead of like the uptight security guards just be city. at other schools. That'll probably change at the new Blair:


Everyone will be busy just trying to figure out where to go next year. I'll miss knowing how to find my way around:"
-Neus Rodriguez, sophomore
 tree, our sidewalk, cutting through the

Brinda Thomas and Joanne Chan, freshmen

## IRMANI Kas <br> ..chillin' on F porch

Tsion Tekle, sophomore

"A new building is just a collection of pretty new bricks, but this Blair has a lived infeel So many different people have graced these halls over the past sixty years!"
-Justin Ho, senior


The various cultures that encompass BCair are of ten overlooked. These faces that surround us comprise our STUDENT BODY. The majority of students come here witt the intention to excel either in academics as well as in extra curricular activities. Hopefully all classes will achieve their goals and take a positive step towards solidifying their future. The class of freshmen had a successful beginning to their figh-school career, the sophomore class was proud to not be at the bottom of the totem pole anymore, and displayed their fiappiness in many different ways. The junior class understood fow important their third year in figgh school is for their future but always in the back of
 their minds was the anxiety of becoming the leaders of the school. The seniors struggled through the year with severe senioritis but provided a strong foundation of spirit which served as an example to the rest of the school. At the end of this year we bid farewell to the old Blair which
 affected all of us in unique ways. As the graduating class, staff and other students take one last look at the old Montgomery Blair they will always remember their years at 313 Wayne Avenue.








Who would you be


Jofin Kanesfige


Joanna Katz Seniors

Stuck in an elevator with?


Katfiryn Kenyon


Sandra King


Brenda Kao


Daniel Kaufman


Stepfien Karafiath


Thomas Kaufiman

Alia Karim


Andrew Kaytor


Hironobu Katof


Patama Kornkaew


James Lacroix


Isabele Lamotfie


Serey Lay


Jesse Lee


James Kircfifioff


Benjamin Krefting


Jesse Langford
Sarita Kisfore


Neefa Kfin
Eugene Kim


Colette Knigfit
Pafuma Komkaew


Sfiawn Kwang
Lestie Kudayafi


Kerlin Lapierre
Tifanne Lawrence


Monica Leiva


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Jorge Muriffo
Antfiony Murray
Musaadafi Musaadafi
Daniel Nakamura


Nicole Natteros


Dina Navarra


Vaden Nelson


Micfiael Ney


Brian Nolan
Vinfr Ng yyen


Idafioise Onifia

Kevin Oakley
Esther Nunez
Micfielfe Nugent


Victor Onwuemene



Sonya Owenscob6laf Temilayo Oyewote

Feyisfiota Olaniyan
Seniors

Angela Nance


Chafermsak Ngamsaard

"I know something you don't knowl" Seniors Ethan
Spalding, Rupa Bhatia and Shivonne Berridge are caught Spalding, Rupa Bhatia, and Shivonne Berridge are caught
conversing in the halls between classes about secrets rangconversing in the halls between classes about secrets rang-
ing from what embarrasing moments have happened to them as well as spreading stories of witnessing other
peoples' humiliating moments.



Dolores Nolasco



Jiefiae Park



Jessica Parr


Margaret Pancost


Nor6erto Parris, Jr
"I forgot to study for a test one day so I wrote down notes on my hand to cheat for the test but when I got to class the
test was postponed. I was relieved but out of boredom fell test was postponed. I was relieved but out of boredom fell
asleep in the middle of class. I was so comfortable with my hand propped up against my cheek that I took a nap.
When I woke up I was walking down the hall and my best When I woke up I was walking down the hall and my best friend asked me what was on my face. I had no idea but
the ink on my hand had rubbed off and I was walking around with the evidence written all over my face:" - Dina Navarra
"Freshman year I was at a basketball game and while walk ing back from the concession stand the game was getting really intense. My friends and I had to walk in front of the cheerleaders down the side line in order to get to our seats.
My friends made it just fine but just as I began to walk a My friends made it just fine but just as I began to walk a
player got pushed out of bounds right into me. I was sent player got pushed out of bounds right into me. I was sent
sliding about four feet across the floor. The bad part was that I slid right under the cheerleaders feet and ended up hanging half way out from underneath the bleachers:"

- Cmerice Thames
 friend that during freshman year in the same stairwell I had tripped and slipped down some steps. Just as I told her it happened again. I was walking in front of her and we were laughing, thats when I looked up and lost my balance. I
missed the step underneath me and slipped down a couple of steps. This time there was a complete stranger in front of me that I had to hold on to while falling:


Jose Pafacios


Rachael Payne
Monicka






Fitefi Zegeye
 they won't starve during the day.


Cefia Zwerdfing

## Not

Darik Abebe Elisha Arboleda
Oscar Barrios Radcliffe Bartonsmith Albert Berrian III Albert Berrian Jose Blanco
Mareo Boyd Mareo Boyd Parrin Carter
Bruno Casu Ross Cunningham Mohamed Diassy Bruce Dickens Brian Dodson Paul Downs Orson Edwards Orson Edwards
Regina Feehely Regina Feehely
Jason Franklin Jason Frankli
Fidia Garay Fidia Garay Emma Garcia Rudy Godoy Bergine Guerrier Lizett Gutierrez Nicole Hamilton Gary Hart

Yolanda Haskins Estiwar Huete Eric Jacobs David Jessup Telion Johnson Jose Jurado Alexander Kirsch-Clayton Nuwoe Kwenah Chen Lai Daniel Lamb Carl Lancaster Reina Lizama Melinda Lloyd Richard Lopez Richard Lopez Xiomara Lovo Aide Luna Froylan Luna Reina Lynch Miniya Maskal Cristian Mayorga Meredith McDaniel William McKenzie Amha Mesfin Timothy Miles Timothy Miles
Gustavo Miranda

Pictured

Lismary Montesino Edwin Morales Henok Mulugeta Judith Nlenzo Yohanna Ovalles Kojo Owusu Kojo Owusu Alicia Padilla Laurel Palmer Michael Pham Loc Phan Tri Duc Phan Christopher Pollard Jaime Revollo Laura Reyes Laura Reyes Carmen Rodriguez Carmen Rodrig Claudia Rojas Keisha Ros
Aldo Ruiz Aldo Ruiz Amin Sadr Marlon Sanchez Nohelia Sanchez Shantese Sandidge Ahisamach Santiago Melvin Santos

Ravi Saxena Collin Seebadan Twain Shields Luis Sigler Winston Smith Maria Sorto Katrina Sostek Alexandra Steenbergen Sewnet Taddsie Billion Tesfamariam Travis Tilkens Bethlehem Touelde Hien Tram Hiep Tran Qianne Watkins Dale Watson Dale Watson Princess White Tyris Wilkerso India Wilson Christopher Wright Keron Wright Jermayne Young Yanira Zambrana
"I wish we had cars so we could out at lunchl" Jennifer Haynes, Kateri Michos,
and Nikia Williams chill by their locker in and Nikia Williams chill by their locker in-
stead of at McDonalds. Students without stead of at McDonalds. Students without
cars have no where to go during lunch.
"STOP and be safell" Safety committe members Carolyn Vamisirii, Amita Roa and Monique Bartley help keep people informed about all the safety regulations in the building

## A Word from


"Do your homework as soon as you get home so you don't have to worry about it:" Joanna Ries

"Do what you have to do and play by the rules."

Jose F. Reyes

"Stay true to yourself because that is what matters!"

Aubrey Bruggeman

## Wise...




# The way we were... 

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## What New Class Do

 You Want at Blair?"I'd take a martial arts class if we had one. It teaches defense and disciplin
-Borithy Heng

We should have Driver's Ed at Blair- we'd save alot of money and it would be more money and it<br>-Kemi Akinjiola

"Hyper Text Mark-Up Lan guage- it's a class that creates puter language. You can make alot of money creating web pages" -Ethan Strike -Ethan Strike

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"Blair should have a Hispanic studies class where students could learn about Hispanic history and heritage"
-Hans Moore Hans Moore

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Rameez Abbas
Daniel Abebe Daniel Abebe
Allen Aboyme Allen Aboyme
Hartley Abraham Michelle Abu
Nora Achrati Lentz Acosta Emmett Acquoi
Santos Aguilar

Bella Agustin Bella Agustin
Olueukola Akande Elemos Folukemi Akinjiola Shafeeza Alli Henock Andargie Mary Anne Ander
Vincent Ankrah Vincent Ankrah
Raymond Anthracite Harris Antonisse

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 a Saul AranaFrancis Arbaiz Reena Arora
Loretta Asata Loretta Asata
Ivan Askwith Ivan Askwith
Rashid Aslam
Hiskias Asress Erwin Avila
Gloria Aviles

## Mojisola Awosika

 Mike Ayala Zelalem AyeleKobina Baffour
Hajafatmata Bah Hajafatmata Bah
Cyntha Bailey Christopher Baily Evelyn Baker
Leah Baker

Arthur Balmer Alexander Banks
Rishard Banks Rishard Banks
Thana Barlee
Alfredo Barrero Alfredo Barrero
Marie Barros Marie Barros
Brendan Bass Marra Brendan Bass Marra
Jovonna Baylor
Enrique Bayotlang Enrique Bayotlang Susan Beatty
Marcellus Beckwi Marcellus Beckwit Katherine Benico
Jorge Benitez
pamela Bennett Alexander Berengau Kaleb Berhane Anna Berkeley
Kassandre Bemard

Puneet Bhatia Jed Bindeman
Mesherem Birratu Mesherem Birratu
Jose Blanco Jose Blanco
Rayshawn Bonas Alba Bonilla Tomba Borbor
tilia Bouknight lilia Bouknight
Elizabeth Brescia Elizabeth Brescia





## Where to eat?



What's this? Hans Moore, Chhay Chun, and Olivia Smith
show the benifits of eating an show the benifits of eating an
in-doors lunch....eating qual-
ity food, and relaxing with ity food, and relaxing with
good friends. good friends.

Last but not least....Greg
Weiss, Mike Mussenden, John Weiss, Mike Mussenden, John
Reida, and David Scherdel Reida, and David Schaerdel
stand in line at Erter's market, a pe
eryone.



Twain Shields
Kirubel Shimelles


What do you see in this INKBLOT?

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\text { "What do you mean tell me } \\
\text { what I see? It's just a blot of } \\
\text { ink:" }
\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}
\text { "It kind of loo } \\
\text { of a brain. } \\
\text { the stem and } \\
\text { area's whe } \\
\text { senses take }
\end{array} \\
\text {-Joe Hatton }
\end{array}
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"It kind of looks like the top of a brain. The midddle's the stem and the out lying area's where the fiv
"I think I see underwater "I think I see underwater
plankton and algae floating around:" -Shafeeza Alli









## Excuses, Excuses!

"An upperclassman kid
"The bell rang before I got
here.."
Kate Tinnesand -German Miranda

II was being interviewed for the yearbook:
-Ariel Alvez-Moats
"Somebody broke into my locker. I had to go to secu-
"I'm pigeon-toed. I can't walk fast:"


Do not pass go. Collect one detention slip. Je Edelstein does all he can to bargain with securit Many sophomores miss the leniency they got?
freshmen.
"Do you think he'll go for itr" Kurosh Mehran asks senio Ashley Wright, checking the validity of his late note
"Maybe they'll give me a pass," thinks Paola Nazati. A sick pass was always a sure thing.

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Bing Bin Li
Daniel Lichterman
Josue Limones
Jennifer Lin
Heidy Liriano
Stanley Liu
Inmar Lizama
Aamir Lloyd
Yahaira Lopez
Benjamin Lozovsky
Justin Lucas
Quang Luu
Michael Ly
Megen Macdonald
Julian Mackler
Richard Madden
Eric Maenner
Jacqueline Mah
Patrick Maher
Hoang Mai
Sophia Maksimovich
Theodore Mann
Anderson Manwarren
Stephen Manza
Albert Mao
Madege Marc
Jeremy Marcus
Remon Marte
Jazmin Martinez
Maxwell Massa
Geoffrey Mastbrook
Dennis McCall II
Orlando McCalla
Calencia McCrae
KKisty McEachin
Stavawn McFadden
Brandon McGee
Lea McIntosh
Scott McKelvy
Randol McKenzie
Simon McNiece
Tiffany Medlin



## New School..New Adventures

"Just because the school changes places, doesn't mean

"It's nice. I'm glad we're getting a new school, but all the memo-
ries are here. The new Blair's gonna look like a...microwave:"

II think it's gonna be cool, be cause we finally get new bath rooms to vandalize: ${ }_{- \text {-.J. Kundu }}$
"I don't want to go, it's too modem. I like the charm of this Blair,
no on else's school looks like no on else's school looks like ours does now. It has it's own
style!


Be Young, Have fun, drink Pepsil Sear tewart buys a soda from the pepsi machine
during lunch. Although many students wer sad to see the Coke products go, they an very glad that the new Blair will be bette equipped, thanks to Pepsi.


That's Trashyl Even though old Blair is full of trash a lot of students love it here. Erin Auerbach, David Moreno and Alexi Druhan clean up a little to make the school altue more bearable untir we move he new on
Where is it? Alexis Mendoza waits at F-porch for his bus. Sophomores are going to have to hang out after school, at the new Blair.
places

 talk in front of the auditorium about Blair's theatrical productions. Inside, those same productions have cap
tivated audiences of all ages in forms of musicals and educational assemblies. In our last year at Blair we've seen performers come and share with us their song and dance of Sankofa. Even Blair's very own ban has performed there too, with tantilizing and breath tak
ing symphonic sounds. When we say good ing symphonic sounds. When we say good-bye to this
auditorium and put it to rest, we will be saying good-bye to a piece of Blair history which has more then fulfilled our expectations for the last six decades.



## What's the Positive Side Of Being a

 Freshman?"We get to see lots of new people every day.

Jose Moren

The teachers give us easy assignments to do.

- Nelly Quinteros

No one bothers us
Whatever we do, people
just say 'Oh, they're fresh-
men

- Selin Mariadoss
"There's so many differ ent after school sports and clubs to join!"
- Sam Graur
"You feel like you're geting more mature, like education: . Shante Sewel
- Shante Sewell



## Coke vs Pepsi

The biggest rivalry of all time has finally been settled. Here are the results:

Coke- $52 \%$
Pepsi- 40\%
Both- 1\%
None- 7\%




What's your worst

## NIGHTMARE?

"I have dreams that I'm going out with this face less guy. When I go to kiss him, some groady
face jumps out at me.'
-Michelle McMamara
"My worst mightmare is getting sucked through an air vent and being chopped into a million
pieces:
-Neetal Jagadeesh
"Freshman Hell Week"
-Marcelo Ugarte
"I was in a scary haunted house and mummies ghosts, and sea crea tures were all chasing me. It was like one of
those old-fashioned black and white films" -Lamarkus Williams
"Up until a few monthes ago, I always dreamed that the sun would go away and never come back:" -Amanda Isen


B
"Ohmigosh" I am sooo incredibly afraid of spiders! Especially taratulas with their big hairy bodies and their big hairy legs.
Ughl" Aleida Vividor excitably tells her friends, shuddering at the thought.

You might be a redneck if... reshman Jeannetta Brown hicktowns, with Eva Vauter in 3 -hall.

## Rise E Shine!

Freshman year would never be the same without the cruel shock of waking up in time to start the school day at the merciless hour of 7:25 a.m. This year, the freshmen class' suggestions for a better time to start school came flooding in as soon as they were asked.

The Five Favorites are:

1. 9:00 a.m.

## 20\%

2. 8:00 a.m.
3. 8:30 a.m.
4. 9:30 a.m.
5. 10:00 a.m.

13\%
11\%
$10 \%$
6\%


Christine Monfort Jaeannette Montano
Nadia Montenegro Nadia Montene
Carlos Moore Jessica Moore
Mariam Moosa Mariam Moosa
Erica Morales Miguel Morales Omar Morel Jose Moreno
Matalie Moreno Stephanie Morris Katherine Morrison
Cladys Morsha Taylor Michael Morse Michaee Morse
Richeen Morton Victor Moungkhounsava
Alforzo Munoz Alfonzo Munoz David Munoz
Dayanne Munoz Kyle Murphy Anthony Muzzatti Anthony Muzzatti
Susan Nakamura Emily Nalven Sarah Nash
Laura Newma Laura Newman
Ashley Newman Owens Ashley Newman
Bemard Ng Ake Ngamsa-Ar
Chi Nguyen Cuong Nguyen Hung Nguyen
Michael Nguyen Michael Nguyen
Phuong Nguyen Phuong Nguyen
Son Nguyen Son Nguyen
Kervon Noel Kervon Noel
Laura Norkin Max Novakowski
Charismey Nunez Linda Nwachukwu
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Pablo Ovando Yeni Pacheco
Ruben Padilla Soumik Pal Dolores Palacios
Ananth Panagariya William Pasto Beth Peller
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Hector Perdomo
Christina Pemia Nephthalie Perrin Atiya Pettegrue Kate Pfetsch
Khoa Pham Thanh Phan Thao Dinh Phan
Tennesia Phillip



It's Big...But is it big enough?
"Blair isn't big enough. But it's still kind of nice because it's like an old beat in sneaker- you fit in well:

-Adam Friedman

"This school is too crowded. the halls are too small, and the classrooms are too packed!!! -Aneisha Brown
"Blair is a big school, but
since there are so many people that come here seems very small.
-Seigyung Kim
"It's good that we're mov just looking at this makes me feel like the walls are going to fall in on us." -William Kidd
"Blair is too small, and it definitly needs repairs:
hrough the courtyard. Somestudents don't always feel likebeing squeezed through crowded hallways.


This ribbon is so stylish Micheal Morse, Mary Paulino, and Aneisha Brown proudly represent
all freshman by showing off their homecoming court sashes.


## Not Pictured

Teria Adams Rozina Alem Narema Alli Rabia Aslam Carmen Benavides Isaac Cabezas Agina Cambell Mario Castro Jose Ceron Ratha Chhun Fatu Conteh Fatu Conteh
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Kenneth Draper Kenneth Draper
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Robert Fagan Karen Figueroa Thomas Franklin Joey Freeman Joffre Gandy Biniyam Garedew Dagmawi Garedew

Sandy Gonzales Gregory Hamilton Taderiel Harvey Terri-Ann Henry Claudia Hernandez Sarah Hobbs Tameka Jenkins Shetella Johnson Rossel Joseph Jennifer Kirchoff Kadijatu Koroma Jose Lazo Kose Lazo Kathleen Lewis Chayanny Lirian
Divya Mahesh Divya Mahesh
Jose McDonald Jose McDonald
Kristy McEachin Richie Mendes Olufemi Mosuro Andrea Najera Jamila Negatu Tram Nguyen Alex Ordonez Cindy Orozco Maria Parrales

Mary Paulino Delilah Pena Marc Pinkett Ryan Ponder Kyan Ponder Damien Sandidg Raquel Sandoval Pedja Silic Darrell Smith Josue Somarriba Travis Sorensen-Reeve Dewayne Stewart Melissa Thompson Rashida Thorton Rashida Thorton Everrell Urquilla Ever Urquilla
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Teachers: Old \& New


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Mary Bloom Guy Borrelli


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Aili Carlson

Elba Castro ourdes Ceide Cynthia Changuris Christiane Chessle Muna Chiesa

Karen Collins Fran Conway Carol Cooke Maria Costello Paige Coulam Mark Curran

Patricia Curtin Dolores D'Angelo Elizabeth Dapay Carrie Demers Kae Denning Evans


Tresh out of college Ms. Rohrbaugh and Mr. Lynch are resh out of college Ms. Rohrbaugh and Mr. Lynch are
both experiencing Blair for the first time. Ms. Rohrbaugh is currently teaching tenth grade students about the fundamentals of NSL government, while Mr. Lynch teaches all four levels of Latin.

When asked about their first reactions to Blair, they both responded similarily. Each of them spoke about how they admired the diversity and the size of the school. Mr Lynch said, "I admire how open-minded and diverse the student body is. It's a definite change from my upbringing in mires about the impression she gets from the community "I've enjoyed meeting and seeing all of the different people and learning many new perspectives!


## Doing Their Duty

## Arabel Diamant Jessie Diffley Jessie Diffley Stacy Dimmick Maureen Diodati Roy Dismuke




Anne George Suzanne Giacalone Robert Gibb Ruth Ann Giese
Elaine Goldberg Victoria Gonzalez
Clity Gordon Jana Goss S. Graham
Margaret Hans Margaret Hansen Hugo Harrison

Ray Harry Anne-Marie Hartranft Katherine Hauprich George Herrmann Karen Hillmer Brian Hinkle

Barbara Hofman Hunter Hogewood Robert Hopkins Michael Ivan Sandra Ivey Thomas Jensen


Women in Black.... Mrs. Madden and Ms. Notley have the media center and them-
selves dressed in their rest for Women's selves dressed in their best for Women's
History Month. The library staff is always working hard in order to keep resources up to date, understandable, and most importantly, to keep students interested.
 giving up some of their free time.
When teachers and other faculty volunteer their time and energy for a student activity
not only students benefit but also the saff Teachers are given the not only students benefit but also the staff. Teachers are given the chance to build bette
relationships with their students and to see them in action away from school. Students are relationships with their students and to see them in action away from school. Students are
also able to gain strong influences and are given the chance to gain a mentor. This makes fot also able to gain strong influences and are given the chance to gain a mentor. This makes fol
a positive experience for everyone. Ms. Matthews, an art teacher, states that she likes to do a positive experience for everyone. Ms. Matthews, an art teacher, states that she likes to do
chaperone duty, because it gives her a chance to learm more about her students by watching them play a sport or perform on stage them play a sport or perform on stage:
body. Faculty such as other ways by which teachers and other Blair staff aid the student $\begin{aligned} & \text { Free at last.... the History Department meets outside to get ready for a field trip. For } \\ & \text { many studer }\end{aligned}$ of the classroom where students can learn more and go to work with special resources or to where the were to, from a Broadway play in New York City to a tour through the white get extra help. would not be possible without extra time and effort put forth by the faculty,
 .
selor or administrator. For them, their job does not end with the last bell but rather
after a baseball game, school dance or field trip.


Time for a break? Audre Phillips takes a breather from chaperoning duty at the "97 prom. During her break from making sure the dance stays fun yet safe, she is able to grab a quick snack and to chat with a few fellow able to grab a
chaperones.



Instructional Assistants...
Lending a Helping Hand In and Out of the Classroom


Assisting Both Students and Teachers.
o say that they lend a "helping hand" would be
an understatement. The instructional assistants an understatement. The instructional assistants
here at Montgomery Blair are without very talented and much desired handful of individuals who tend to numerous responsibibities within various departments. From assisting the students and forts and organization of the academic departments, we can be assured that the instructional assistants have tackled it all.
Instructional Assistants are paid employees within the school. It was proposed recently that the services provided by these instructional assistants in Montgomery County Pubic Schoois should be termitum next year. Fortunately no final decision has been reached yet concerning this matter
Many thanks and appreciation are extended to the instructional assistants in the ESOL, Computer Science, Social Studies, Special Education, SPARC, Automotive, Science, Magnet, Communication Arts, VSST, Math, and English programs and departments.
-Jaime Haig

"Just taking a moment for a little 'R\&R' in the Math office...." Hardly. According to Mrs. Wilhelm, the Math Department's instructional assistant, it is a rare occasion that a minute's free time arises during the school day to take a break and relax. Although
she does not work directly with students in the classroom, Mrs. Wilhelm contributes immensley to the organization of the Math Department. One teacher commented that without her the entire department would simply fall apart.

"You guys have nothing to worry about...," Ms. Tokic, a Composition Assistant for the English Department, reassures her students in preparation for the Maryland
Functional Writing Test. Preparing ninth graders and transfer students for the test is one of the many responsibilities appointed to Ms. Tokic and the other helpful instructional assistants in the English Department.


"Oh, it's all part of the Job..." Ms. Curtain, a Composi tion Assistant for the English Department, spends an aftermoon reviewing student pieces. When she's not in
the classroom. Ms. Curtain is still busy with the work of the classroom, Ms. Curtain is still busy with the work of
the ninth and eleventh grade English students.

## In the Spotlight...

Meanwhile in D-hall...In a
woodshop class, Mr. Segreti woodshop class, Mr. Segreti helps junior Michael Buckout-
White with his most recent project. Mr. Segreti has also taught printshop, among other classes during his 19 years at
Blair.


T inda Wolf is a long time physical education teacher for Blair. She also coaches Blair's junior varsity girls basketball team, and assistant coaches the girls varsity team. Ms. Wolf had taught math at Second Genesis, and the Muncaster Shelter before finally coming to Blair. Ithink I can just more comfortable." Ms. Wolf likes to teach physical education, especially with enthusiastic kids. "A good student has to have a good sense of humor. They've got to be willing to make an effort." Ms. Wolf also enjoys her free time, and has visited every state except for Texas and Hawaii


#### Abstract

obert Segreti teaches many of the woodshop and tech nology classes at Blair. wanted to work with students says Segreti. "But I also wanted to work with my hands." Segreti has been a teacher for ninteen years, Blair, teaching printing spentogra phy and woodshop, After spend ing so much time teaching at Blair, Mr. Segreti will miss this building. "The oldness of the school gives it a lot of charm, like comparing an old house to a new house, there is a certain feeling about it." Even though he will miss the school, Mr. Segreti plans to continue teaching Segreti plans to continue teaching at Blair for a long time.




Familiar Faces

Kickin' back with students. .. Ms. Wolf has a laugh with her students after a rewarding period of gym class. Ms. Wolf
can regularly be seen in and out of the gym, having a good can regularly be seen in and out of the gym, having a good
time with her numerous students time with her numerous student


High school is one of the Gusiest times in our lives. With friends, sports, and clubs all running togather, it's not fhard to forget our purpose for being fiere: to learn. And it is through academics that we learn. Tfrough academics we aquire knowledge, enabling us to make contributions to both our community and our school. When we think of the word "academic" our minds race to visions of tests, projects, and grades. We think of classes such as math, englisfh, science, and fistory. We think of complicated equations, long notes, and frours of fromework. These thoughts make us shutter; and because of them, we often forget that there's more to acdemics than just work. Academics goes far beyond just subjects, it is also the fun and enjoyable things we do in school. Field trips, movies, skits, period parties, freated discussions over controversial topics; these are also key aspects of academics. Through academics we develop life long friendsfips and memories. We learn frow to express our creativity, as well as, frow to interact with others. We also discover what our strengths, weaknesses, and interests are. In truth, academics is really all about accomplisfments. Accomplisfiments that are made by teachers when their students are able to learn something new. Accomplisfiments
 that are made by students, when they are able to reach their scholastic and personal goals. Academics makes up a big part of a figh school career. It sparks interest, challenges the mind, and gives us the opportunity for new experiences. It fuelps us develop the skills and knowledge that we will always carry with us. Yes, academics can be the boring lectures and long formulas that we fiave to remember; but it is also


## A Whole New World

Every year Blair welcomes many new students. Aside from the freshmen, many new and for
eign students enroll at Blair. Coming from all four comers of the world, representing various countries, these students help form our culturally diverse student moving they must face the adjustment to a new ife For many the adjustment includes leaming a new language. Most new and foreign pupils are enrolled in the ESOL program. This program not only helps people learn the language, but also to make friends and to have an easier time situating themselves in a new place. Slowly and surely these kids learn the ways and tricks of the school. ESOL classes focus on helping students become more accustomed to the new environment.

For example a big sucess story here at Blair is the case of Tamira Guevara. She moved to United States in 1992 entering the fifth grade and knowing no English. She spent 2 short years in ESOL before moving on to regular 1995 as a freshmen she was enrolled in primarily honors classes. In addition to the challenging classes, she joined the Junior Varstiy basketball team. She has moved her way up to Varsity this year as a junior. On top of all this she played Varsity Girl's Soccer,

We at Blair are glad to welcome people from all areas of the globe and encourage people to leam and grow at their new school. We will continue to welcome and enjoy the many cultures we have at Blair and look forward to any new and foreign students coming to our school.

Kate Mines


"What's Up?" David Lopez, Alfredo Barrero Rafael Marena, and Damaso Rodriguez chat during their lunch hour. Many new students enjoy taking a break from english and speak-
ing their first language. This is a very racially ing their first language. This is a very racially experiences leamed here are not only from the experiences but will help you in the real world working with people of all different colors, religions and cultures.
"You're so funny" Jose Peguero and Yoan Ovalles look over and laugh at their friends. Taking time to chill and enjoy school is vital. Learning is not the only thing we come here to do. Making new friends, leaming, and having fun all go together



## Student-Teacher

## Relationships

"Why don't you try the book search?" History teacher Mr. Oibb helps Why don't you try the book search?" History teacher Mr. Cibb helps ing research or projects, teachers not only provide class time in the media center, but many actually work on the projects with the students,

So, how was your day?" Mrs. Loomis chats with Junior Meti Zege after school. Besides teaching French, Mrs. Loomis is a friend to he
students too. Students often go to their teachers for advice or just talk.

"Spray it nice and even..." Mr. Segretti helps his students with building a pulley, one of the many group projects they do in their Pre-Engineen class. The students build many things using their problem solving skills. Like many other teachers, Mr. Segretti chooses to work with the ent class as a team. This allows the teacher to participate with students and enables them to form close relationships.


## Graduation Requirements

When you think about it, the overall goal seems pretty easy...pass a few classes here and there, make the grade on the required Maryland functional tests, do 60 hours of com-
munity service, and before you know it, you're on the pathway to graduation. High school life, however encompasses more than just requirements, and for many of Blair's students school has not proven to be so easy.
Students are required to complete 22 credits, which include the following classes:
4 years of English
4 years of Math
3 years of Social Studies
3 years of Science
2 Foreign Language or
2 Advance Technology Education or
3-9 Career Development Program
1 Physical Education
.5 Health
Add up the homework from each class and include the numerous other activites that students are involved in, and you're looking at one busy schedule.
outine, "It's hore cheerleader, Kendra Gray says of her daily , It's hard to balance both school and cheerleading when I have so much to do in both of them:"
dents Ase far as community service is concerned, some students are glad to help their community in whatever way they
can. Others feel that this requirement is a hassle can. UA Ass fand Demitria Nyamweya are hassle. Juniors the issue. understanding of our community'; says Asata. Nyamweya on the other hand, says, "It's a hassle and it takes up a lot of time."

Though certain aspects of these requirements may seem to be intimidating, they are all a part of high school life, and in order to graduate there is no way to get out of them.
"Almost finished..." Sophomore Bing Bin Li completes an assignment for healt class. Health is a one semester class that all students are required to take. health, students learn everything they need to know about drugs, alcoho
STDs and a wide variety of other important subjects that teenagers show STDs and a wid
know about.


When is this class going to be over?" thinks senior Jacob Schwarz as he Design class. All students are required to take one year of fine arts, and stu-
dents have a wide variety of art courses dents have a wide variety of art courses
to choose from. Among the list of courses are ceramics, photography, stu168
'Alright guys, you're doing greatjobl" Freshman Haydee abarca coaches her class Chayanny Liriano, who are cutting wood to a perfect size for their Technology Educa
tion project. Many freshman enjoy taking Tech Ed and consider the class a break from heir busy schedules.


"So, how do you do this problem?" Sophomores Ariel Rubin "So, how do you do this problem?" Sophomores Ariel Rubin
and Rose Howard help each other in their Algebra II with Analysis class. Many students consider math to be a difficult subject. All students must take math for all four years of high school.
"...and then you place it in the pneumatic trough," says chemistry teacher, Dr. Torrence, while demonstrating a lab to her junior student, Asia Hunt. Requirements state that students have to take three years of science, and chemistry is usually
taken by sophomores and juniors.

Devils aren't always bad... The Blair Blazer advertises for the senior car wash. Many students use their spare time to help out the community, as well as Blair. Every year there are fund-raising activities that all members of Blair can become a part of.


## TAKING A STAND

Elements of Science... Junior Kitty Leyung explains one of the theories in Nature takes its course. Junior Rameez Abbas promotes SGR at the chemistry to her class. Students often take turns explaining concepts activites fair. Many of the clubs are started and run by students. Students and problems to their classmates. Otten help from your peers can be as
good, or better, than help from a teacher.


Can you say Apple? Senio Jackie Charney teaches
children how to identify fruits during her child development class. Some
students take action by students take action by helping
day.
 Ever heard of purple money? Jonah Berger counts Ciant reciepts after school. If Blair can get enough reciepts the school will recieve new computers
and equipment for the new Blair. Students bring in reciepts which help the school, as well as help earn their first period classes doughnuts and pizza.


# Getting Away 

"Isn't this food great?" Senior Danny McBride and his girlfriend enjoy a meal at the weekly farmers' market in Takoma Park.
"Baruch atah." Miss McGinn's Comparative Religions class visits senior Rebecca Sandler's house to help observe the Jewish holi day Sukkot. They enjoy a meal of apples and bagles while sip. ping hot cider.

"Hurry or we'll be latel" Freshman James Mckenna and friend get ready to skate the day away after a meal of sausage, egg and chees McMuffins at the local McDonalds just days before closing. A new McDonalds is opening up down the street




Blazer games were always full of spirit, no matter what sport. Fans could always be seen supporting their team through wins and Cosses. The poms, cheerleading, and drill teams also showed neverending support for the Blair teams. The Blazers showed a tremendous amount of team spirit and support for each other during their last games on the Wayne Avenue field, in the small gym, and Blair Field House. These last experiences were emotional, especially for athiletes who fiave played or cheered here for four years. Some athletes will be moving on to new and improved facilites, but they will never forget the character of the old Blair. For the Blair Blazers, sports were not about winning or losing, Gut about being part of a team and encouraging each other to be the best they could. When times were good, team members frad each other to celefrate with, and when times were bad, Blazer
 teams frad each other to console. The teams' optimism led the Blazers to $\mathfrak{a}$ number of successes. But no matter frow the game turned out, the teams always supported each other, and always frad their fans to cheer them on, and that spirit and encouragement is what will five on through the years. The sounds will move to a new stadium and new gym, but

as we take one last look at Blair on Wayne, we will hear the sounds of the endfess amount of cheers from dedicated supporters and devoted players echoing through the air.

For the Love of the Game ush 'em back, way backl Determined not to lose this game, Senior 33, prevent two Cougars from getting any further.

## Varsity and JV Football

T ${ }^{\text {ith a new schedule that included opponents from }}$ both division both division 4A, and 3A/2A set, the hopes were
high for the Blair Blazer football team. However, the Varsity team finished the season with a 1-9 record. Despite the losing record, the Blazers managed to claim a little piece
of history. On October 9th, the Blazers beat Magruder High School 147 in overtime to end the areas longest losing streak of 25 games. Both of the touchdowns were thrown by senior quarterback Kerlin LaPierre, and caught by senior wide receiver Odai Shiancoe

The team relied on their power defense to stop the such as Gaithersburg and Richard Montgomery, Blair managed to keep the score tight. "We lost our first game by only one point, and other games by a small margin", says coach Jimmy Short. Some close games this year included a $6-0$ loss to Long Reach and a 123 loss to Kennedy. "We were really looking forward to the season and we were competitive with everybody. The guys put a lot of effort into it, and it paid off in our home game win, comments Coach Short.
This year's team was led by seniors Albert Berrian, Garcia Volcy, Mayco Mesa, Ali Mike Trotman, Shiancoe and LaPierre. Short will be expecting big things next year from Beckwith, Jason Rocker and Telice Johnson. Despite their record, the Junior Varsity football team
had a productive year. This year's team had more players than other JV football teams in the past few years. The Blazers opened up the season on a very positive note by beating the Kennedy Cavaliers by a score of 6-0. Unfortunately, they could not keep the momentum of an opening game victory, Gaithursburg and Einstein
But the Blazers would not end the season without a fight as the season with high crushed the BCC Barrons, $24-6$. The team was coached by Hugo Harrison, Art Williams, and Bryan Nance. Some key players that led the team were Ransford Teeth, Frances Calliste, B. Sorrell, A. Ridore, and R. Santana. Blair finished the season with a $2-8$ record.

- Ariel Levis \& Christine Vest

Go Blazersi The pom team cheers for the Varsity players as they prepare fi
battle after half time. Senior Christian Mayorga leads the team to the field.


Alger, C. Foushee, C. John, O. Ragente, A. Garcia, Coach williams, J. Velas "Here's what we need to do." A few varisty players gather around to
quez, J. Tineo, D. Kirkendall, A. Scorza, E. Specer, G. Salguero, S. Rodriguel get some much needed advice from Coach Short.
W. Kid. B. Sorrell. R. Sandoval. L. Shuzitski. R. Willis. Milssing. T. Green A Eugene, L. Gilfillean


"I'm gonna get you, bo player at the 60 yard line.

## Serving with Style

"It was great to win our division during my four years playing. We knew from the beginning that this was going to be our year!"

Andrea Merriam
hey began practice in the heat of Au-
ghip, and junior Charitha Gowda placed as runne
gust momings, and competed with stern
up at \#3 singles. Other stars include senior co-ca determination during the coldest of au- tain doubles player Carolyn Vamisiri who helped lea ture offered, Mr. Ngbea believes that the girl's ten nis team had an exceptionally sucessful season. record for the season Jodin maintained the best he \#2 singles position ather instrumental tor at hat contributed to the team's strons season in clude the \#3 doubles team, freshman Emily Halven and sophomore Stacey Roshan, whose 43 victory was the deciding factor in the team's first match of the season against Churchill. was Blair's first win ever against Churchill.
Jodi Min claimed the county champ the team with her strong abilities and her willin ness to put the team first.
senior co-captain Andrea Merriam, \#1 single her three years of experience led the team usin mination the Blair team placed \#3 all their dete The team record for the regular season was 10 and the girls finished the season $6-0$ undefeated our Division, which moved the team from Divisio 2 to Division 1 as Division champions.

Jaime Haid


First Row: Jamie Haig, Charitha Gowda, Anna Brown, Lizzie Epstein, Sinta Jimine Twist and Shoutl Junior Jean Lee twirls around after hitting the tenSecond Row: Jodi Min, Chantal Gordon, Emily Nalven, Carolyn Vamisirin, Stacey Rashad nis ball. Sometimes players need to contort their bodies in order to Anne Lee, Aiko Katoh Third Row: David Ngbea (coach), Maureen Henry, Sei-Gyurf retum a well hit ball from their opponent.
Kim, Jennifer Song, Krisana Gesuwan, Jackie Mah, Andrea Merriam Not Plctured
Anna Mackler, Jean Lee

"Arghl" Sophomore Charitha Gowda slams a monster return while grunting like the professionals. Being aggressive helps win matches against those tough opponents.


Going for the gold. . .Sophomore Jodi Min attacks the ball with fierce determination. Jodi had one of the best seasons, making it all the way to the county championship.


Wise beyond his years. . .Tennis coach David Ngbe On her toes. . .Junior Jen Song charges forward on a retum. Having Wise beyond his years. . .Tennis coach David Ngbe Oa her toes. ...Junior Jen Song charges forward on a retum. Having gives helpful tips to the members of his team. Ngbea, a talented tennis player himself, was often match is won or lost. great source of advice for the Blair players.
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Rising to the occasion. . .Senior co-captian Andrea Merriam stretches up-
ward to slam down a harsh serve. Andrea maintained her \#1 singles spot because of her strength and her ability to overpower her opponents.
 Arif Ahmed, Sam Grarail, JJose CCuba, Daniel Bracamentes second Rowem:Josh Caal. Deek
Laforest, Rishi Cuputa, Justin Lucus, Travis Price,Michael Erhart,Bret Cohen, Camillo Ricon
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ang Junior varsity sophomore Simon Mcriece knows it takes glay tough ban althe to stop fis sponents. It is importan play tough both mentally and physically.

"Use your head," thinks varsity senior Danny McBride. Soccer mear "Use your head," thinks varsity senior Danny McBride. So

## Reaching Goals

Boys' Varsity \& Junior Varsity Soccer






Oo longI Varsity Senior Vladimir Nolasco squares-up for a free kick. Players have to train hard to kick with distance and accuracy. A long, on-target pass can mean a quick goal for the team.


Take it for the teaml Varsity players line up and form a wall to block a free the goal, even if it means taking a hit.
f you can run around a
field at a full sprint field at a full sprint for
and a large pool of new tal ent, and then proceeded to improve from last year to record of $7-43$. Junior Varsity coach Rick Moats took pride in this year's JV team. "I've got group of guys that will work You tell them to run, they
don't ask how far- they just don't ask how far- they just run,", says Moats. Both
squads proved this year that squads proved this year that
they have the lungs, the teamwork, and the skill to be successful.

Rob Gullixson


Amost there. JV Sophomore Ka rosh Hashem the ball to the Almost there. JV Sophomore Karosh Hashemi takes the ball to the
goal. Drive and desire are sometimes all a player has left to run on after working hard all game

## Going for the Goal JV and Varsity Field Hockey

he Varsity team started off the season very promising Lets Regroup..The varsity field hockey team takes a breather during halttime An with many returning players. their game. Many teams like to have important team meetings during halftin he backbone of the team. They were right in thinking they the backbone of the team. They were right in thinking with record of $8-4$. Though they had a disappointing loss in the the entire game, playing very strong. At the end of the season, during the ceremonies Ayodele Terry came out on top as MVP, Alex Desautels as Outstanding Senior, and Most Improved going to Britt Bowers.
Much like the varsity, the junior varsity was looking good. With strong retuming sophomores to teach the new and inexperienced freshmen the team turned out well. Among Brewster and Katie Sensenisn, Carolyn Serey, Sussanah Brewster, and Katie Sensenig. They too had a successful with a 4-52 record. Following in the varsity's footsteps was MVP Christina Hernia. We know and hope these players will grow and improve to form a rising varsity team.

Kate Mines


#### Abstract

same apart from the play on the field.




Here's the plan! Coach Francis explains the deal with Senior Emily Brewste Kierney Francis enjoys taking time to work individually with each player
year's team had a great season and had nothing to be ashamed of.

Top Row:Abby Curran,Anna Berkely, Carly King, Britt Bowers, Clare
Stedmann, Crystal S.Tonya Hanel, Jessy, Nicole Craverbottom Row:Alex Desautels, Deli Teryy, Erin Bowers, Aubrey Bruggeman, Emily Brewster, Jaime 184

"Nothing's gonna get by me today," says Junior Anna Berkeley who was the varsity goalie this year. Having the respons.
goalie is a big load to carry but she handled it well.

Lets go Blair! The JV team shows their support by shouting from the sideand will be the future of our upcoming squad. Most of this years sophonores are hoping to move up and join next years varsity team.


I was this closel Sophomores Carly
King and Britt Bowers King and Britt Bowers show how close they
came to winning. Many games this year were very close and
even ended in overeven ended in over
time. Unfortunately this happened in their first game of the finals with a depressing 1-0

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Pass it over here, thinks senior Ayodele Terry about sophomore Carly King while the two are being chased by a member of Quince Orchards
team. Terry had a great season this year finishing with 11 goals.
oncentrate, Just two more points! Sophomore Zeke Ramos thinks to him- Tap it inl Senior Merly Matingou taps in a missed shot by his tean be very stressful. A lot of times these two points have been the deciding

"Alright, listen upt," The varsity boys
coach Dale Lamberth explains to one of his newest players. Junior Chris Campbell has become an important asset to the consistant player.

"See ya',"," senior David Ruin says as he zooms by the Watkins M defense. Even as a tall player playing the post he still needs to be ab
to drill and play a game of possesion.

## Shooting Hoops

 JV and Varsity Boy's Basketballsazers Representl The varsity team huddles in front of the home crowd a he Blair Field House to get hyped up for their big game. This pre game adition is very important to get them pepped for play

mover. He pulled out ahead dibbling the ball for our tem. luckily

M M Heres a

he boys varsity basketball team began a promising seaso he boys varsity Daskebair team Degan a promising season
with two new tall transfer students, not to mention the strong
backbone of the team of Senoirs Merley Matingou, Mark Wilhelm, and Josh Walker. The squad had 13 members this year supported by seven seniors. The Blazers coach, Dale Lambert and assistant coach Rick Hahn were satisfied by the boys playing
this year. Mr. Lamberth's knows the game well considering this is this year. Mr. Lamberth's knows the game well considering this is
his eighth season coaching the varsity here at Blair High School The Blazers did have a tough season however. The competion seemed to be pretty even with their record ending at 12-10. The team was led by team captains Murley Montigue and Mark Wilhelm.
By the end of the season Bruce Jenkins came By the end of the season Bruce Jenkins came out on top as MV
along with Outstanding Senior Murley Matingou, and Josh Walker as Most Improved The future of the up and coming varsity is in the hands of junior varsity coach, Rick Hahn. They started off their season little rough with a few disappointing losses but then they got their
momentum and started winning some games. This year's team was led by team captain's Zeke Ramos and Daniel Potts. They ended their season with a decent record of 6-12. Their award
went to Sydney Jackson as MVP, and Uche Iwugo and Francis Calice as Most Improved. Hopefully the strength of the team will grow and mature into a strong varsity team. We know they will and w
will look forward to seeing next year's team.




Byunlor Varsity Scorebox
Opponent
Blair

Kneeling: Tumberry Mouhan, Josh Walker, Marcellus Beckwith, Mark Wilhelm, Don't worry, I got itt David Ruin reaches his full armspan to inter Merly Matingau, Vincent Amkrah; Standing: Chris Campbell, Tony Murray, David cept a bad pass. David is not the only one intercepting passes sent: Garry Clark


The air up there...Junior Tammy Shapiro I believe I can fly...Junior Jonathan Lane believes he can touch the sky while he practices the butterfly ats a brief feeling of flying as she hangs before the swimming season even starts. Swimmers were so dedicated that they enjoyed keeping in in mid-air during a dive. Blair divers were shape during off-season times.


## R a g ing

Waters
he 1997-1998 season was a satisfying one meter medley, which includes 50 meters of each for the Blazers swim team. Finishing with a stroke. At the beginning of each meet, there are the teams coach was happy with one for relays, in which four swimmers participate. Dur ort. The boys won their division by going unde- Many schools have no divers, but Blair has a few. feated in Division III.

Swimming is a team sport, but at each event captains Nicole Phipps, Craig Readler, Erin Bow not all the swimmers participate, because there are ers, and Emily Brewster, and junior captains Chris not enough events for all the team members. "There topher Kelly and Niels Hoben. Key swimmers are about eighty members of the team. Most include senior Jaime Bauer and sophomore Sean schools choose who swims in the events by the best mes, but Ms. Gamard tries to let everyone swim in at least one event," says senior captain Nicole Phipps. The events consist of three events. The different There are four different strokes: freestyle, butterfly breast stroke, and back stroke. There is also a 200

he next swimmers diving in. Some meets include relays and regular races, but some meets are only relays, called relay carnivals.

Scorebox



Alright guys, you can do Itt Freshman David Stedman dives in as the previous swimmer in the relay retums. Blair won the relay carnival, which took place at Montgomery College-Germantown against the other division schools: B-CC, Damascus, Wootton, and Gaithersburg

Sllicing the water like a knife...Sophomore Jason Ott powers throug backstroke. The backstroke is a great way swimmers to work out arm and leg muscles.


Take your marksl Two Blair swimmers prepare to start their race. swimmers stretch before each heat.


Get that form perfectl A Blair swimmer dives in perfectly as her teammate returns to the edge. Relays are a great show of teamwork because the score is he total of all four swimmers togethe


Dot that dive down...Junior Shekar Davarya dives in County formation into the waters of the Montgomery County Aquatic Center.
 ake a breathl A Blair Blazer takes a breath during his freestyle. The freestyle is one of four strokes used in a swim meet. Each swimmer specializes in a particular stroke but many can
swim all four. swim all four.

## Ready to Rumble

## "Even though <br> wrestling is an individual sport we worked hard as a team and had a great season:"

 he Blazer's wresting team this seasonstarted out with a bang winning most of their matches. Being seniors and mostly at other schools. At the Bethesda Chevy Chase Cla lime to practice their advanced moves and not sic wrestling toumement, Blair had two placing wre spending time refreshing themselves with basic tlers. James Mompoint came in first in his weig moves.
The Blazers this year started off with wins sgainst Kennedy and Richard Montgomery High chools, as well as as some of the easier schools. And then started to lose when they were matched p against more powerful teams such a sherwood, Wheaton and Einstein High schools.
The team this year was made up of five
seniors including Eric Reed and James Mompoint four juniors, three sophomores and two freshmen

"Tve got you now." Sophomore Justin Lucas is looking for
ward to effortlessly pinning his Magruder opponent. Menta ward to effortlessly pinning his Magruder opponent. Mental
preparation plays a key part in whether a match is won or prepar
lost.
 his opponent's leg and then drops helps to get them pinned quicker.



Get your leg, and down you go. senior Enkreed grabs his opponents sleg for a surprise attempt move. Reed is one of Blair's top wresters who placed sixth in the county wrestling championship.
 the match against Magruder.

"Come on, Come on." Senior Bill Hall tries to st "Once I roll you over, I've got you where I want you. Senior Jonah Berger position.
patient as he forces his opponent into an awkwd attempts to pin his opponent. Berger was one of Blair's key wrestlers in the

'Once I roll you over, I've got you where I want you.". Senior Jonah Berger
attempts to pin his opponent. Berger was one of Blair's key wrestlers in the


Inder pressure...Senior James Mompoint struggles to regain posi against the force of his opponen

## Serving Up Winners

## Girls Varsity and Junior Varsity Volleyball

The crowd falls silent as the tension rises on the gym floor; the lady Blazers are about to make history. A gathers up her mighty strength, gently throws the ball into the air, and POW! the game has begun.
In reaching the regional finals for the first time ever, the girls' volleyball team has made Blair proud. With strong performances by sophomore starters Grace Chen, Lisa Weir, Kelli Herod, Nicki Reed and especially senior leader Jennifer fung. We were one of only two teams to take a gent" says junior Tung also made the Montgomery Journal 1st all-county team. But Changuris adds, "The reason we were so successful was because we played as a team." The junior varsity girls were coached by Carrie Demers along side co-captains, sophomores Jaime Bartelt and Lirls...they learned how to play proper volleyball and im proved immensely! The team is very grateful to fans and parents for their support and their help even in times of defeat. Bartlett says, "For a pretty green team, we did re
ally well! ally well:

|  |  | ~Christine Vest |  |  |
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| $10$ | B-CC | 0 | B-CC | 2 |
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| $\tilde{1}$ | Quince Orchard | 1 | Quince Orchard | 2 |
| $0$ | Poolesville | 0 | Poolesville | 2 |
| $1$ | Paintbranch | 1 | Paint Branch | 2 |
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| 0 | Watkins Mill | 0 | Watkins Mill |  |
| 2 | B-CC | 2 | B-CC | 1 |
| 1 | Wooton | 1 | Wooton | 2 |
| $2$ | Paint Branch |  | Paint Branch | 0 |
| 0 | Quince Orchard |  | Quince Orchard | 2 |
| 1 | Magruder | 1 | Magruder | 2 |
| $\sqrt{2}$ | Caithursburg | 2 | daithursburg | 0 |
|  | $0$ |  |  |  |



Concentration, concentration...Defense specialist Junior Naomi Gottlieb-Miller is about to use her underhand technique to play a
vital role in the scoring of the Varsity team.
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So high that I can reach the skyl Co-captain Sophomore Liselle Moses jumps
at the chance to hurl the ball across the net, as fellow JV players Mandy Wiese and Danielle Russell rush to her aid.
Varsity Cirrs Volleyball Team: First row: Kelli Herod, Kelly Deckleman, Christine Hwang. Second row: Grace Chen, Lisa Weir, Susan Huang, Naomi Gottlieb
Miller. Third row: Coach Changuris, Nicki Reed, Jennifer Tung and Joant Mauer.

at the chance to hurl the ball across the net, as fellow JV players Mandy
Wiese and Danielle Russell rush to her aid.
astonishingly at her hid off Freshman passer Cynthia Chang stares astonishingly at her hit as fellow junior varsity player Jeni Yang looks

Hop to itt Middle-hitter sophomore Nicki Reed snaps into action and prepares to volley a beauty for the varsity team.



Can you dig it? Varsity outside- hitter
Crace Chen savest the Grace Chen saves the
ball, keeping the Lady Blazers' opponents from scoring.

Junior Varsity Girls Volleyball Team First Row: Coach Demers, Mandy Wiese.
Second row: Jenni Lai, Jaime Bartlett, Semora Ergun, Cynthia Chang, Jeni
Yang Third row: Rebecca Celotto, Yang. Third row: Rebecca Celotto, Rachael Hurd, Liselle Moses, Laura

## A Spiked Punch Boys Volleyball

Sweat trickles down the server's forehead. It is the is 14-13. He swiftly swings his arm upward, releasing his force to let the ball fly. It hurls itself into the air, soaring above he heads of the opposing front line. At the last moment, an opponent in the back row lunges nto a dig, propelling the volley ball back into the air. Known hat key hitter springs into the air spiking the ball and winning sweet victory for his school. This is a normal game for
$\qquad$ under the pressure to meet their own When asked to describe Blair's boys volleyball team, Jesse Miyoshi re plied "a threat." Coach Changuris be longes that the Blazers have pro competitive tradition of being truly custom always. will continue this exceeding last season's record of 12-2 was met head-on with strength determination, and skill. The Blair Blazers once again proved that they packed a spiked punch.

Jean Montgomery
irst row, Second row, left to right:Khalid Hassan, Jesse Miyoshi, Chris Lid

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Able to leap tall buildings in a single bound....What's that in the a Is it a bird, is it a plane? No, it's Derrick Choul Does that boy have a pilot's license?

S-s-surgel Compiling his energy into one fluid motion, Ming Lui propels the volleyball to Chris Li , who flys into the air in defense. Quick, cat-like
reactions and intuition are needed to survive the game.
 Banana Slip? James Chou flails the air with his limbs, hoping desperately to land on his feet and not
embarrass himself too much. Luckily, at the last moment, James is able to recover his center of balance.

Tiger, tiger, buming bright...Khalid Hasson fiercely growls in anticipation useful in a competitive sport like volleyball.



Digging in the dirt...David Ma instinctively lunges into a dig, one leg bent to absorb
shock anms outstretched to meet the volleyball. With all of his experience and detershock, arms outstretched to meet the volleyball. With all or his experience and deter-
mination, David, as a retuming player, sets an example for new athletes on the team.
 a forceful spike to the opposite side of the net.

I'm open, I'm openl William Tung pummels the volleyball over the net forcefully to an alumni helping out during practice.


I'mmm soooo happppyyyyl William Tung smiles widely with unabashed gle as the ball glides into the cradle of his arm

## Kicking Out the Competition

Girls' Varsity and Junior Varsity Soccer
he girls' soccer team started their season off with a few strong returning varsity players. Among them were Sostek, and juniors Tamira Guevera and Alyssa Hughes. Un fortunately varsity's three year starting goalie Pippa Durham did not return for the last season, leaving junior Tenay Guvenderin to step up in her place. Though timid at first she had a strong and succesful season. This year coach Rober aibb had a good time coaching, just striving to make his las year at this field and school a positive one.
was glad to welcome many new freshman to the squad. Like the varsity the JV too, had a successful season. Returning sophomores Nicole Craver, Carolyn Serey, and Sara Iams led the team this year. These players showed obvious skills and can probably look forward to being seen in coming years on to the varsity level.
This year is not only the last year at Blair but our last year with girrs' soccer in the spring season. When the move is made to Blair on Kay, girls' soccer will become a fall sport, played along side boy's soccer. Fortunately, the girls' last
~Kate Mines


Concentrate... Freshman Lauren Poness tries to concentrate on not only keeping the ball away from her opponents, but also geting it somewhere! Soccer is a sport which requires concentration 198 more than one thing at a time.
 Hong aside and takes the ball from senior Jenna Khan. Soccer practice scrim-
mages tend to bring out either the best or the worst in players.

"Here I comel" Freshman Jesse Wilcox charges toward the ball that is being covered by freshman Bella Ahanogbe. Attacking the ball can sometimes lead
to a breakaway and a score. o a breakaway and a score.


Stretch those musclesi"


Keeping an eye on the ba

"Twist and Shout"" Senior Jenna Khan twirls around while trying to confuse

FOREI Junior varsity outfielder David Murvis swings a little low to hit th ball. It does not
the team is happy

 swings at the ball during practice. Sometimes the nets of the field can feel swings at the ball during pr
little bit like a jail window.

Look out for that window...Varsity first baseman Andrew Haskell pra
tices his throw during practice. Sometimes when practicing at Nolt tices his throw during practice. Sometimes when practicing
Field, the players have to be careful of surrounding buildings.


Take Me Out to The Ball Game...Junior varsity third baseman awai the ball to swing. Even though high school baseball is not the mail leagues, the thrill of the game still inspires the players.

## Batter

U p!
Varsity and Junior Varsity Baseball
ou're at bat. There are 2 outs, 3 balls and 2 strikes. ou're at bat. There are 2 outs, 3 balls and 2 strikes,
The whole game is riding on this last pitch. What can tradition sport could it be, but baseball, the all-Amed Heroes arise from professional baseball teams everyday, and who knows? Maybe during this last baseball season at Blair on Wayne, the next hero will be bon

While professional players were preparing for the summer, the Blair team pulled together and had a great season. "I was really optimistic about this season, because so many kids made an effort to improve during the of team, an Iwas right" says varity coach, John Macdold The teamwork shown this year really worked to their advantage. "Everybody really pitched in to help out the team", first baseman Brian Nolan commented. He along with seniors Dan Herbst and Dan Kaufman, really helped the varsity team have a great season. The driving force behind the JV team lay in the hands of sophomores Ted Mann and James Cimourginas. The team is definately look ing foward to the new Blair's fields and to great future seasons.

Tammy Shapiro
"I am very pleased with the work ethic that this group has. It may be the hardest working and nicest group of kids I have ever had an opportunity to coach."

Coach John Macdonald


Look Determined? Varsity player Mark Ericson struggles to throw Look Determined? Varsity player Mar
the ball. He is focused on his target.

## Covering all the Bases

Varsity and Junior Varsity Softball

7hey say the ball is bigger. True. They argue that the pitches are slower. Sometimes. They even point ou laim that softball is an easy version of baseball. Absolutely The ball is bigger, hence harder to handle. You try and track an arching pitch. Bases are closer, so the shor stop can throw you out that much easier. Tell a softbal player to their face that softball's just lazy baseball- then see how "lazy" they are
This year's teams mix experience with hungry new talent, and the combination shows. The varsity girls have used speed, skill, and mental strength to take their game to haping into a strong team, building up from a large pool of fresh talent. The JV and varsity have thrown, ran, and hit heir way to success. With these Blazers out on the field, it's no wonder softball looks so easy.
~Rob Gullixson

## One scoop, please." Varsity sophomore Britt Bowers snags a grounder and

 it takes for a flawless game.

Air Blazerl Varsity senior Binta Bah leaps to snag a fly ball, sending down to nothing more than raw athletic ability, a play come
 Here it comes," calls junior varsity freshman Sarah Cox. While work- "Hegative. Down and give me twenty." Despite it being his first cation is an important part of teamwork


Return to sender Varsity sophomor Kelly Deckleman dis manship she has learned on varsity as she prepares to give their opponen air mail.

## Champions of the Court Boys Tennis

"Excellent Fom:" Like a opponent. The correct form is essential for superior level play, it also makes you look better.
 racuce, pracuce, pracuce." Says boy practices together win together. practices together wins together


Slammin' it back. Junior Jonathan Rappaport knocks back another shot with his famed cross-court back-hand. Being able to retum well is essential in tennis, without it a player is defenseless.


Sizzling Servel The faster the racket, the quicker the ball But it's not all about power, as junior Alex Berengaut proves. His combination of finesse and speed make an intense combination

Gettin' down. Senior Danny McBride drops low to scoop up the ball before it hits the ground. Danny can predict what is coming and use that to his advantage.

Tyear with anoth tennis team came off last ing principle. "One of the good things about havall the dust cleared, the team realized that tions!" As Mr. Ngbea explains, "They came into the號 lost many of its key seniors. Mr. Ngbea, year with the abilities, but I was able to mold them he team's coach, was counting on the fresh tal- into a formidable tennis team. hard on a young team", says Coach Ngbea. "Many tennis. Judging from Mr. Ngbea's lighthearted attithe kids had not played together, and we tude, this season has been another success for the needed very strong teamwork to win:
teading the team's cooperative spirit were what they can do next yea returning seniors Danny McBride, Alex Epstein, Howard Hsieh, John Urban, Andrew Waterman, and Michael Sun. This leadership was well dis played at the begin and wheaton. Through the season, perserverance became the team's driv-

"Yow that's top spini" As the racket grazes the top of the ball, the ball picks up spin, and accelerates on contact with the ground. Mr. Ngbea is a firm believer that everyone on his team should use this technique


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Serving up heatl Senior Andrew Waterman makes serving look easy as he follows through on anoth
excellent slam. Serving is the first shot of the rall excellent slam. Serving is the first shat
so it is very important to get it right.


Blazing Back-hand. Senior Howard Hsieh returns a cross-court shot with a hundering back-hand. Many players will "run around" their back-hand, but many good players will use their back-hand to catch their opponent off guard.


Go for it Dannyl" The tense moments in a game are when tennis gets truly exciung. Danny McBride lunges to get a shot, retuming to win the point.

## Acceleration Of Excellence

## Too Cool For Ice

t's a bird, it's a plane, no wait....lt's the Blair Outdoor
Track Team! These young thletes of tomorrow definitely earmed the name of Superman or woman. Each of these athletes worked hard to improve their times and records, but at the competitive events.

The team, led by coaches Short, Mr. Hogewood, and Mr. Harrison did well as a team and individually in field events such as shotput, discus, hurdles, long jumps, and relays. Captain senior Arianne Boylan concluded, "both the girls' and boys' team did really well. I'm also im-
pressed about how well our middle distances ran!
The requirements to be on this team were weightlifting, con ditioning, constant running, extreme focus, and lots of dedication. There was really no motto for this team, "I just expect them to run faster and jump higher', said Mr Hogewood.
On Blazer team always ran or walked Blazer team always ran or walked
with their heads held high and their fierce spirits glowing from within.

Socheata Saim

Going the distance. Seniors Abby Curran and Carolyn Vasmisid along with junior Connie Chan get other team members going by showing their enthusiastic love for running

"Come on, I can take you." Junior Ben Norkin defends his goal

last year, the floor hockey players spirit was still very competitive. The season started in early December and ended in ate February; the goal was to win the Changuris Cup. It was rded ino dis. ion team played each othero and off until playoffs. Playoff were even more intense than he regular games; they were matches of elimination that were twenty minutes long in stead of the usual fifteen minute games. Teams were eliminated
ne by one until three were left. unior Peter Do of the Vipers owed, "We'll win next year.' ound-Robin championship was he three teams phament in which and the team with ecame the whith the most wins ament consision. The tour unchboxers, Seniors with skills nd Code UnKnown. Although al hree teams played with a fierce en husiasm, Code UnKnown came torious, winning the Changuris Cup.

Socheata Saim


Up we gol doing plyometrics.
break their records.

"'m goin' to beat you." Seniors Arianne Boylan and Gordon Li get into a little friendly race against each other.

"Geet the puckl" yells Senior Danny McBride to his teammates seniors Yoshi Manale and

## Running Strong Race Against Time

A
lthough this year's cross country team was not extremely successful record-wise, both the girl's and the boys teams came up strong improved their times consistently throughout the season.
The first meet of the season was held at home, the only home meet of the year, so the team was hoping to do well. Led by strong performances by seniors Jonah Berger and Tony Irish, the boy's team defeated victory with fast times turned in by senior Arianne Boylan and sophomore Sarah Iams. Scorebox Cirls- Blair 27, BCC 30 Boys- Blair 27, BCC 28 Girls- Blair 20, Rockville 43 Blair 50, RM 15 Boys- Blair 37, Rockville 21

Blair 42, RM 19


Girls- Blair 45, WJ 18
Boys-Blair 50, WJ 15
Note- The team with the lower
score wins.

The cross country coach s. Bosse, was impressed with he large tumout of runners this year, especially runners who were
new to the sport. "We had a big team this year, about half the kids were new to running, and every body improved their times." A highpoint for the team this season was being able to compete in two invitational meets.
The team expects to have a strong season next year with most of the runners retum have gained from this year

## Joanna Mauer

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Dequatro, Emilie Littlehales, Rahul Datta, Dan Zytnick,
Neurauer, Anthony Stranges, Bradley Renuart, Tony Irish
Bergmann, David Moore Brend C


Ablur of red and white flashes by. This is the im-
age of the indoor track team. Led by senior captains Arianne Boylan, Abby Curran, and Ira Rothberg, the team ran sucschools, and the runners improved their times consistently throughout the season

The team had strong competition at all the meets in which every county school was represented However, in many events, their opponents. The team was especially strong in the boy's and girl's $4 \times 200$ relays, the 55 meter dash, and the mile event.

Another high point for the team this season was being the to have members of the team participate in field events. Senior Melinda Lloyd did exceptionally well in the high jump, and Naishah Williams ran for a fast time in the 55 meter hurdles.
Curran was very happy with this year's team. She said "This has been one of the more fun teams I've been on. The team unity and spirit were great With the large number of
rs who will be retuming next yunners who will be retuming next more positive strides.

Joanna Mauer


On your marks, get set, gol And they're off... The boy's cross country team starts off a race, trying to gel Tm beating everyone," says Junior Ransford Tetteh as he rounds ahead of their opponents. All the boys on the team race at once, and they usually run for about four miles the comer of the track during his 300 meter race. The Blazers came up big in the sprint events.


Taking a break in the action. Seniors Arianne Boylan, Caroyn Vasimani, and Abby Curran, Junior Hoa Vo, Sophomore Joanna Shalleck-Klein, and Junior Crystal Shrestha relax in between races.


Just a little bit longer, we can beat them. Junior Lilly Goldman, sophomore Sarah Iams, and senior Arianne Boylan try to
against BCC.


A few laughs before the race. The girl's cross country team jokes around with the coach, Ms. Bosse, as they stretch before a race. Staying loose before a meet can als
help the runners improve their times.

C'mon, finish hard," says the indoor track coach, Mr. Hogewood, as sophonore Aileen Park runs by during a relay race. To be successful, the relay
vents need a combination of speed and teamwork. vents need a combination of speed and teamwork.



Up and Over. Sophomore Gretchen Raff skillfully jumps over a hurdle during the 55 meter hurdles race.

## Blazing Across the Green

## Setting

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Example

| Golf Matches |  |
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| Sherwood | W |
| Springbrook | W |
| Paint Branch | W |
| Seneca Valley | L |
| Whittman | W |
| Wheaton | W |
| Walter Johnson | L |

t was a winning season for the Blazers on the
links. Great drives, accurate putts, crisp chip
shots out of the sand traps all worked together to give the Blazers their exceptional 4 and 3 record for the golf season.
"host people just watch golf on TV,' said ut Haskell, the teams MVP. "But when you're wing in playing, its exciting. The game can ust one your favor or slip out of your hands in happen." The beautiful landscaping, lovely open spaces, geese, rabbits, and ducks, were a com-
plete escape from tests, homework, washing the family car, and taking out the trash. Theres hardly a place on the fairways where a 7 -Eleven, a gas station or a fast food restaurant can be seen. In
that wonderful setting, give yourself some ball clubs, a cool little cart to ride around in and some opponents. Strategy, skill and form all came to
gether to bring the Blazers to victory. Golf. Its great game. Just ask Vo, Hiro, Christie, Andrew Pael, Sumick, Grey or Mr. Creedon. Any oned them would love to tell you about it
Mr. Peter Creedon, in his first year as the
Blazer golf coach, has taught the team a Blazer golf coach, has taught the team a lot. He led the team to a four-win season this year, three ment. It's Mr. Creedons emphasis on learine and improving golf skills that has made this years team a success. ll than butter, baby! Larger than life! We're that and a bag of chips!" Bill Hull exclaimed of boys and girls volleyball brought fear into the eyes apponts and wreaked havoc on their plays. Many new players provided fresh new talent to the power and experience of the veteran players. sures of a sport truly tough can withstand the pres regular confines of schoolwork, teachers, homelife, and their own personal standards. When asked what motivated her to play the game, Jamie Bartlett re plied that "it was the continual moral support of her fellow teammates, hearing her friends cheer for her ing an incredible play" Some players make up their
own superstitions to shake off the pres sure they feel. When Semra Ergun feels hend or if she fears ball up right in her hand, or fr she fears she wir hot provid twice before striking the ball David Moreno always makes sure that he's wearing his lucky black Nikes in practices and games.

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Jean Montgomery

"A little more to the left..." Junior Andrew Haskell was voted helped Blair eke out its narrow victory over Wheaton High.

"So when do we tee off?" Team captain Cray Sandridge dis


The Whole Team. From the upper left, Ricky Hyde, Hiro Katoh, Rob Fairbaim, Gray Sandridge, Andrew Haskell, David Reiner, and coach Peter Creedon. On the lower Salwin, and David Moreno.


Eyes on the Prize... Bill Hull and Grace Chen hold their breath, bracin themselves for the moment when the volleyball comes hurling ove strong will, they pull through.

irst row, left to right: David Moreno, Juan Fernandez, Semra Ergun, Laselle Moses, Jackie Ma, Grace Cheren, Jamie Juartlett, and Ms. Demers. Second Manale, Rebecca Segal, and Andy Mu

"Where's my favorite tee?" Senior Christie Chang searches her golf bag with the help of Hiro Katoh Chauffering the team is coach Peter Creedon, as mere
high school students are not allowed to drive the carts.
 Rest and Relaxation...Juan Femandez and Semra Ergun thankfully rest their
aching bodies, listening to Coach Demers gives advice after a grueling practice. What's a volleyball player's most vocal complaint by the end of the day? Sore wrists.


Shhhl Be very quiet, I'm hunting...Beau simms pensively licks his The ability to his body into a dig to propel the volleyball upwardleyball.

Shake what you got...Drill team members Meela Khin and Monica Perry, get the
rowd's attention with their original crowd's attention with their original

Football Poms, front row: Bella Augustin, Frewoine Mehari, Jovana Baylor, Laticia Washington, Rein Angela Taylor(co-cap), Jaime Sheppard. Back row: India McCree, Alicia Antiri, Amelia Lloyd, Simone
Aponte, Lisa Baccala (cap), Lindsy Beck.



Feel the rhythm. Jameelah Carter, Neela Khin, and Monica Perry move in time to the music during a drill team performance.


Basketball Poms, first row: Jaime Sheppard, Amelia Lloyd, Khalia Lee, Bella Augustin, April Ahn, Lisa Baccala, Jovanna Baylor, Angela Cheryl, Halima Karim, Staci Lightfoot, Stephanie Rivers, Nicole Pridgen


Red Hott Pom members Simone Aparte, Jovanna Baylor, and An gela Taylor, show off their Blazer spirit.


Moving to the Beat... Poms captain Lisa Baccala finishes off a routine smiling. as always.

Keeping Up the Spirit Poms, Drill, and Cheerleading
hey are the crowds to their feet with their cheers, stunts, and dances. Run by new coaches Mrs. Working and Mrs. Madden, this year's cheerleading squad had a fresh new face with the introduction of a JV squad. "The JV squad gives younger, less experienced girls a chance to JV girls have the freedom to try fun new things", says coach Working
seginning with summer practices, mem bers of spirit teams practice after school while performing on weekends and at night games. "Cheer ing requires a lot of commitment and hard work. We're lucky this year to have such a dedicated
group of girls,' says cheerleeding captain Jennifer
Moore. But hard work is also mixed with laughter and fun. Drill team member Jameelah Carter explains, "It's not easy work, always leaming and eaching new moves, but we are lucky to have a ot of spirit and love this year. Our special closeness made practices and performances even better: Poms captain Lisa Baccala agrees that it s remarks, "Our squad hasn't just grown in size, we've grown together as a team." This year Poms squad was coached by Rosa Malldot. They performed at both football and basketball home games, and look forward to organizing spirit fundraisers during the summer.
"We've got spirit, yes we do! We've got spinit, how bout 2 you?"

Soaring High. Fourth year ch completing a perfect russian


Watch us blaze, Cheerleaders Grace Nieh Midhi Gupta, and Tenay Guvendiren hang out with the Blair Mascot


JV Squad, Front row: Nadia Samuel, Erin Cummings. Back row: Maria Ceron, Lauren Crady, Nathalie Canadas


Varsity Squad, first row: Lisa Rufino, Naomi Benders. Second row: Kendra Tappin, Laura Shelton, Ronnie Djoukeng, Shana Weine


The interests, ideas, and thoughts that fill our school make this place unique. Learning experiences can fappen anywhere. Clubs are an essential part of the foundation of Montgomery Blair. Many times clubs are started by students themselves and focus on a specific areas of interest. Clubs can range from the Cfinese club to Building Bridges to the Auditorium Theater Technicians. Though not every student is able to be a part of every club, there is sure to be one to frold every student's interest. Clubs provide a chance for students to become involved and show dedication for a cause, group, or fascination. Clubs are not just
 your average "extra-curricular" activity because they allow the school to demonstrate its uniqueness and individuality. Because many of the clubs, such as SGR, Environthon, and Marc Scholars, are not present at other schools, they accentuate Blair's diversity and oneness. No other school can boast the amount of clubs and activities we frave fhere at Blair or the devotion of its members.

## Building Bridges



First row: (Right to Left) Rosemary Carrol, Norca Salas, Shontay Hayes, Vincent Ray, Brian Nolan, Daniel Nakamura, Adele Kenyon,
Christy Cheng, Jonah Berger. Second Row: Caryn Fisher(sponsor), Nora Achrati, Katie Oaks, Deena Daniels, Nicole Dade, Cindy Gunraj, Sarani Mukhurji, Angela Ellsworth, Esther Nunez, Lea Diamond, Nadia Samuel, Erin Auerbach, Kinda Khatra, Emily Gustafson, Sergia Mars. Third Row: Alicia Robinson, Jake Schwarz, Emily Brewster, Janah Schreiber, Celia Zwerdling, Chyla Carter, Semenyo Gnatiko,
Jennifer Ciron, Maritza Solano, Joe Huang, Alexi Druhan, Anthony Stranges, Susannah Brewster, Teddy Bempong. Fourth Row: Lauren Wagner, Philippa Durham, Madeline Friendman, Ilise Wolf, Tarunesh Shand, Cruz Campos, Jose Palacios, Evelyn Rojas, Emily Akinnagbe, Laura Rummel,April Legrand, Katy Califa, Tigist Wuba, Lynn Wood (sponsor). Not Plctured: Debbie Truman, Erik Reed, Jackie Chamey

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"And then the squirrel said to the tree..." Senior mem
tellin a telling a nature joke.


## Envirothon



First Row: (Right to Left) Jim Kirchhoff, Joel Jang, Vivian Lee, Rachel Mandel, Kitty Leung, Luke Bergmann. Second Row: Jennifer Li, Namita Kothary,


French Club


First Row: (Right to Left) Agnes Alkenor, Kamwanya Mulumba, Sandrine Fouefack, Semenyo Cnatiko.
Second Row: Delizia Ondjokov, Ariel Levis, A. Loomis.
"Wow, French is funl" Sophomores Chantal Gordon and Christine Hwang exclaim as they discuss current events in French. Many foreign language clubs provide time for
students to polish up on their speaking skills as well as students to polish up on their speaking skills as well as
a chance to learm about the culture. Yevire




First Row: Emily Gould, Bao Nguyen, Ned Wilbur, James
Cooney, Susan Beautty, Evan Cooney, Susan Beautty, Evan Cloke. Amanda Grigsby Cloke, Amanda Grigsby,
Darian Harvey, Fredy Alberto, Darian Harvey, Fredy Alberto,
Anronio Condelli, Leah Church, Elgin Strait.
lanning is the key to success embers of the Celtic Club discuss an assembly and watching Irish films. Many clubs plan up coming activities to display their interests all aspects of the culture.

Ideas, Ideas, IdeasI Mr. Lynch diligently works in the foreign language office brainstorming ideas for
the next Latin Club.meeting. Often sponsors spent the next Latin Club-meeting. Often, sponsors spent
a lot of their free time planning discussion topics and activities for upcoming meetings.


## Latin Club

rrst Row: Bonnie Man, Addic Huynh. Lea Diamond, Bao Nguyen. Second Row: (Right Left) John Kaneshige, Mr. Lynch (sponsor).


Left) John Kaneshige, Mr. Lynch (sponsor)



ATT


First row: (Right to Left) Ariel Rubin, Andy Kaylor, Bob Gandy, Paulo Padilna, Nick Allen. Second row: Neal Stokes. Third row: Ben Jacoby, Marie Barros, Jimbo Hansen.

Breaktime. . .Senior Ben Jacoby takes a break from his igorous duties to take a twirl around. As a member of ATT, tasks include assembling the lighting for the school plays as well as for many other school productions


Sets and Ladderst Senior Evan Crump works on the top
of a backdrop for "Anything Goes". The Stage Crew of of a backdrop for "Anything Goes". The Stage Crew of-
ten risked their lives climbing to all corners of the stage ten risked their lives climbing to all comers of the stage
to make the sets for the shows.


## Stage Crew



First row: (Right to Left) Anne Sutkoff, Diana Ekelman, Whitney Treseder, Elinor Kichtenberg, AmandaGrigsby, Fredy Alberto. Second row: Susan Beatty, Andy row: Hugh David, Bao Nguyen, Robin Metalitz, Tim Dooley, Darian Harvey, Justin row: Hugh David, Bao Nguyen, Robin Metailitz, Tim Dooley, Darian Harvey, Justin Montgomery. Fourth row: Mr. Kaluta (sponsor), Micah Evans, Pavlo Padilha

First row: (Right to Left) D.L. deBlas (sponsor), Shontay Hayes,Lauren
Wagner. Not Pictured: Jessica Parr Wagner. Not
Ariel Evans.

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 Looks kind of small to me," thinks anior Shontay Hayes while she holds up a costume to sophomore ArielRubin. The costume committee makes many of the costumes seen in the school plays. They work long hours making alterations to ensure that erything fits just right.


## WBNC

## Thespians

First row: Bao Nguyen, Amanda
 Grigsby, Evan Crump, Fredy Alberto Darian Harvey, and Jean Montgom
ery. Second row: Robin Metalitz, Jason Lunn, Andy Kaylor, Susan Beetty, Robinson, Nicole Milson



## Shakespeare

 First row: Nadine Scott, Daina Klimanis,Melanie Carson, Jennifer Cooper, Kristina
Vuong and lan Strouse Second row: Kelly Vuong, and Ian Strouse Second row: Kelly
Newman (sponsor), Michelle Clive, Diana Newman (sponsor), Michelle Clive, Diana
Nolan. Not Pictured: Justin Osbom, Diana Nolan. Not Pictured: Justin Osbom, Diana
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Keri Needlleman, Rebecca Coppola, Chris-
topher Lindsay, Samantha Lockwood, Jill topher Lindsay, Samant
Hogan, Matt Alexander.


## It's Academic

## MARC Scholars



National Honor Society


First row: Alexandra Desautels, Jessica
Mayorga, Kevin Oakley Aubrey Mayorga, Kevin Oakliy, Aubrey Bruggeman,
Joanna K Katz, Jennifer Hong, Jenna Khan, Melissa Coleman, Rashelle Brown, Lily Huang Second row: Phill Jones, Jessica
Parr, Krisana Gesuwan, Aliya Heyliger, Parr, Krisana Gesuwan, Aliya Heyliger,
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Shrestha, Adele Kenyon, Gary Yang Thi Shrestha, Adele Kenyon, Gary Yang Third
row: Jessica Shin, Dr. Glenda Torrence (sponsor), Heather Byrd, Arianne Boylan,
Dan Kaufman, Josh Ammons, Daniel Dan Kaufman, Josh Ammons, Daniel
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Bergmann, Henry Coppola, David Chen, Bergmann, Henry Coppola, David Chen,
Nick Hill, Andrew Waterman Hot Plctured:
Kate schroll Lindsey Strandberg Rebecca Kate Schroll, Lindsey Strandberg, Rebecca
Sandler


Minority Access to Research Careers Scholars is open to students of African
American, Hispanic, Asian, and Native Americian, Hispanic, Asian, and Native American nationalities. It provides academic enrichment in major areas of edu-
cation. MARC Scholars help students in cation. MARC Scholars help students in
obtaining scholarships, and providing intemships, field trips, and mentors. Stu-
dents feel that this is a very succesful dents feel that this is a very successful and productive year. Crystal Terry
active member of Marc Scholars.


Only the Best
by Chemistry . .Sponsored Torrence, the National Hono Society is a club in which students participate in community service. Students are
selected for NHS late in their junior year, and must have a 3.3 GPA and 40 hours of community service. This from past years. Senior Juliet Drake is one of NHS' many members.

## Mock Trial

## Christian Fellowship



Playing Fair. . . Senior David Ma prac-
tices
Playing Fair... Senior David Ma prac
tices holding the law in his hand, as
he and he and junior Kassy Bemard discuss
court cases. They are preparing for court cases. They are preparing for
an upcoming competition with three an upcoming competition with three
other schools. Could we be looking at the future of the justice system?


Indian Club


First Row: Cruz Campos, Ashish Goel,
Sarani Mukherii, Manu Sharma, Kripa Sarani Mukherji, Manu Sharma, Kripa Second Row Ari Krause, Tarunesh Chand, Sonia Mukhery, Puneet Bhatia, Mavin Bhutani, Cindy Gunraj, Shafeeza Alli, areena Alli, Mrs. Cooke

Banner Of Pride
dent Manu Sharma scror and class Pres India's flag. With the help of Ms. Cooke Sundarajan, Manu decides the best way to display the cultural banner.

First Row: Sergia Mars, Melinda Lloyd, Ebony Dashiell, Latricia Washington,
and Chantal Gordon Second Row Hadege Marc, Josue Alexander Granados, Cidel Peters


"Say Cheesel" Vietnamese Club members pose for a picture on one of their many club trips, like this one at
Brookside Gardens. The Vietnamese Brookside Gardens. The Vietnamese
Club got together to plan fun trips like Club got together to plan fun trips like
iceskating and picnics. They enjoy speaking and practicing their Vietnamese and meeting other students who share their heritage.

"So, when's our next club meeting?" Members exciedly stop Chinese Club president, senior David Ma in the halls to inquire about their next meeting. Chine
Vietnamese

## Chinese Club

 Row: Howard H
So-Ching Chen

Chemistry Club
Cosh, the Periodic Table of Elements can be very helpful," thinks junior Violet Fernandes. Many students use problems.


Four heads are better than onel Chemistry club members Ani Manichaikul, Jean
Zeng. Kitty Leung, and Violet Femandez discuss an extremely hard problem. Many Zeng, Kitty Leung, and Violet Fermandez discuss an extremely hard problem. Many
students utilize other club members as resources when attempting to solve a difficult students utilize other club members as resources when attempting to solve a difficult
problem.
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"That's debatable..." Senior Hiro Katoh presides over a debate with juniors Joel Jang and Jai Xu. Contrary
to popular belief the Physics Club is not limited to just solving scientific equations.


## Physics Club



Just Talkin' Sciencel Mr. Bunday answers questions that sophomores Namita Kothary Bing Bin Li, and Shilpa Roy, senior Luke Bergmann and senior Eric Dahler throw at him. Many students go to their sponsers in times of need.

Up Up and Awayl Senior Chris Ehrmann flies through the air, demonstrating his superior snowboarding
skills. Many ski club members cannot wait until they can test their
bounds on the slopes. bounds on the slopes.


Front Row: Sara Paul, Melissa Clark, Reena Arora, Jenna Khan, Anh
Iguyen. Second Row: Lillian Raff Analisa Sudor, David Levitt, Monica Pless, Lilly Goldman, Anthony Irish Waterman, Andrea Merriam, Lindsay Strandberg, Kate Schroll, Nick Hill, Mathew Fagan. Fourth Row: Mr. Moats, Mrs. Cannon, Dan Herbst, Mike
Wolcott
Steve Karafiath, Ben Wolcott, Steve Karafiath, Ben
Lutkowski, Micah Spiegel, Dan Dunn, Jesse Myoshi

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## Jazz Band



Trumpet away, guysl Junior Ethan Strike, senior Adolph Wright, junio
Adam Jentleson, and freshman Jaco Adam Jentleson, and freshman Jaco
Abadu jam in the bandroom under M Abadu Jam in the bandroom under
Hary's direction, along with saxaphone Harry's direction, along with saxapho
trombone, piano, drum, and string intrombone, piano, drum, and string in-
strument players. It takes a lot of prac
tice to put together a tice to put together a band that can win
second place at the Montgomery second place at the Montgomery
County Jazz Band Festival and numer ous other awards.

## Beautiful Voices



Show Choir
First row: Nicholas Allen, Ben Jacoby,
Joanna Katz, Vincent Ray, Ruth Lin Joanna Katz, Vincent Ray, Ruth Lin. Second row: Melia Soumah, Kristina
Vuong, Talya Green, Laura Rummel. Vuong, Talya Green, Laura Rummel.
Third row: Marconja Zor, Rbeka Asefu, Myeshia McKenzie, Tetteh Ransford.

## Chamber Choir

 First row: Sergia Mars, ChristinaClark, Jessica Parr, Mora Achrati, Eric Chiu. Second row: Gary Yang, Robyn Sanderson, Grace Nieh,
Michelle Clive, Vincent Ray. Third Michelle Clive, Vincent Ray. Third
row: Noah Himberger, Jennifer Tung, row: Moan Himberger, Jennifer Tung,
Danielle Fus, Emily Yanisko, James

Orchestra


First Row: Janin Garcliazo. Second Row:
Melissa Ward, Tres McNair, Isaac Darzi Caleb Chu, Xin-Yu Yu
and Jessica Weiss. Third Row: Mr. Harry


## InToneNation

First row: Chri Rachel Carlson, Rache Stewart, Crace Santos, Beth O'Brian, Kerri Needle. Se ond row: Derrick Chou Diana Nolan, Cary Yang, Eric
Chiu, Allie Herr, Emily
Hestriske Yanisko, Jesse Metcalf-Burton, Noah Himberger. No pictured: Daniel Church, Ben Israel, Eli Pousson, Jen


## 63 years in the making

A Retrospective by:
Howard Stone and Debbie Truman


1955-This group of girl blazors, are dressed up for a homecoming dance. he extern whin and formal gatherin 1950
ing the Second Great War, shocking the
world.



## A Look Back At <br> The Year... '97- '98



You Talkin' to Mel Secretary of State Madeline K. Albright, the first woman to hold the highest office in the State Depart ment, has been the most visible and active Secretary in the last 20 years. Continual problems in
been among her top priorities this year


Volcano EruptsI The 11,000 thousand inhabitants of Montserrat Carribean island, witnessed a volcanic eruption. In Septem-
per the volcano erupted for several days and forced $2 / 3$ of the populatoin to leave the island. The volcano became active two years ago.

## Mother Teresa Princess Diana



1910-1997
"It's such a shame. She was such an inspiration to every one in the world. -Sophomore Ben Legeretta
"It was a very sad occassion, but we all can learm from her and try to pick up where she left off:
-Freshmen Ezra Fishman

A Great Lady Leaves Us... Mother Teresa spent nearly 50 years working in the Missionaries of Charity. Among her awards for her work, Mother Teresa received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979


We Love You, Billl Blazer pride went through the roof when Prime Minister Tony Blair of Great Britain and President Bill Clinton visited Blair on February 5, 1998. Introduced by seniors Elizabeth O'Brien and acting SGA President Nikole Be
a lot of love from their audience.


It's a bird, it's a plane, no it's the Mir Space Stationl The Mir space station was first launched in 1986. Since then it has
made more than 60,000 trips around the Earth. Through the made more than 60,000 trips around the Earth. Through the
use of the Mir station the U.S. and Russia are hoping to establish an Intermational Space Station which is scheduled to be in orbit by 2002.


Spice Up your Lifel From new abbums to heir first movie, the Sp Cirrs have been busy this year. This British all-girls pop group de buted as "wannabes", but tumed out to be movie stars this year in
"SpiceWorld": Baby Spice, Posh Spice, Ginger Spice, Sporty Spice and Scary Spice all show here that fame will never limit their spirit.








Tifanne Elizabeth



Jaime Louise Bauer
Such an esciting time in your life and quite an accomplishment. You're a great inspiration to us all. Continued success in your college years and be yond. Know that we love you now and always.
-Mom, Dad, Lauren, Katie, Tony, Michael and Brian.


## Missy,

Thanks for giving us so many years of joy. It's been a pleasure watching you grow into the beautiful young lady that you are. Keep reaching for the stars and never sell yourself short, you're a very special person with a lot to offer. Always keep your faith in God and never forget how much we love you. Congratulations on your graduation.

Love,
Mom, Ed and Mike


## To Ms. Brown,

"A perfect woman, nobly planned, To warn, to comfort, and command:
And yet a spirit still, and bright, With something of angelic light."

Thanks for putting up with us!

## Cove,

The Yearbook Staff





Congrats Ms. Lindsay and the cast of An Evening of One Acts


And Anything Goes!

Cynthia Addai-Robinson 9th-12th- MORE, School Plays, SGA, 9th-10th- Cheerleading, 10th ans, Building Bridges, Mock Trial 12th- Silver Chips, Forensics, NHS

April Ahn
Oth-12th- Poms, 10th-12th- Korean Club, 11th- Silver Chips, 12th- NHS

Patrick Ahanogbe
12th- NUU
Fredy Alberto 9th-12th- Stage Crew, 10th-12thATT, Thespians, 10th- Intemationa Club, 11th-12th-Japanese Club. 12th- Celtic Club

## Delissa Altamirano

11th-12th- Hispanic Club Chorus
Emily Akinnagbe 12th- Building Bridges, Spring Musical, NHS, Christian Fellowship

## Josh Ammons

 9th- Latin Club, 9th-10th- Basketball Team, 10th-12th- Track Team 12 h - NUU, MARC Scholars,Renee Amponsah Renee Amponsah Building Bridges

Gigist Anteneh 11th-12th- International Club

## Alicia Antiri

11th- Sisters, 12th- Poms, French Club, Safety Committee

## Lisa Baccala

 9th- Swim Team, JV Soccer Team 9th-12th- Poms (captain), 11th-12th- NHSYinka Bada
n-12th- Basketball Team
Jaime Bauer
9 th-12th- Swim Team, Softball eam, 11th- Mock trial, 11th-12th

## ${ }^{2}$ aomi Benders

 9th-12th- Cheerleading (captain) 9th-10th- Track Team, 11th-12th NHS, 12th-Positive Images, GospelChoir


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## Greg Bernard

 10th-12th- Soccer Te
## Albert Berrian

 9th-12th- Football Team, TrackTeam

## Theola Blocker

 9th-12th- Black History Show, 10th Poms
## Erin Bowers

 9th-12th- Field Hockey Team, 9th 12th- Softball Team, 10th-12thSwim Team
## Arianne Boylan

9th-12th- Cross Country (captain), rack Team, 10th-11th-Swim Team 11th- WBIC, 11th-12th- Silver

Louis Breger
9th-12th- Math Team, Computer Team, 10th-11th-Environthon, 10th-12th- Chess Team, Physics eam, 11th-12th- Silver Quill, Silve Quest, 12th- Mock Trial, Floor
Hockey

## Alexis Brobby

 11th- Building Bridges, 11th-12th Photography Club
## Rashelle Brown

 9th-12th- Basketball Team, 11th 12th- NHS, 12th- Varsity B Club
## Heather Byrd

9th-10th- Basketball Team, 11th-12th- Basketball Team Manager, Awareness Club


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 9th-12th- Band, 10th \& 12th-Fall Plays, 12th- NHS, Thespians
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11th-12th- SGR, Silverlogue (photo editor), 12th-Silver Chips Photogr pher, Photography Club (president)

## Jason Ernst

 9th- Swim Team, 9th-11th-Physics Team, 10th-12th-Computer Club 11th-Chemistry Team, 11th-12thMath Team, 12th- NHS
## Arian Escobar 2th- Hispanic Club

## Liza Eshetu

9th-10th- Silver International, 10th 11th- Intemational Club

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 10th- Swim Team, 10th-12th- Ski Club, 11th-12th- Mock Trial, 12thRifle Team
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9th- Concert Band, 11th-12th-Floor

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9th-12th- Building Bridges, Chinese Club, SGR, 11th- Latin Club, 11th 12th- NHS, Christian Fellowship,

12th- Bowling Club

## Josh Hutcheson

9th- Soccer Team, 11th- Cross Country Team, Track Team, 11th 12th- Floor Hockey

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9th- Track Team, 9th-12th- Cross Country Team, 9th-11th- Math Team, 10th-12th- Silver Quil Envirothon, 12th- Ski Club

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9th- MARC Scholars, Positive Images

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 9th-12th- Math Team, 10th-12th Envrionthon, 11th-12th-NHS
## Omar Jenkins

9th- Football Team, 9th-12thM.O.R.E./B.A.S.E., 10th-12thship 12th, Cross Couritry Fellow Silver Arrow, Stage Crew

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 9th-10th- Band, 10th-12th- Volleyball Team, 11th- Pit Orchestra, 12th- NHS
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10th-12th- Baseball Team, 11thSGA, 11th-12th- Christian Fellowship

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