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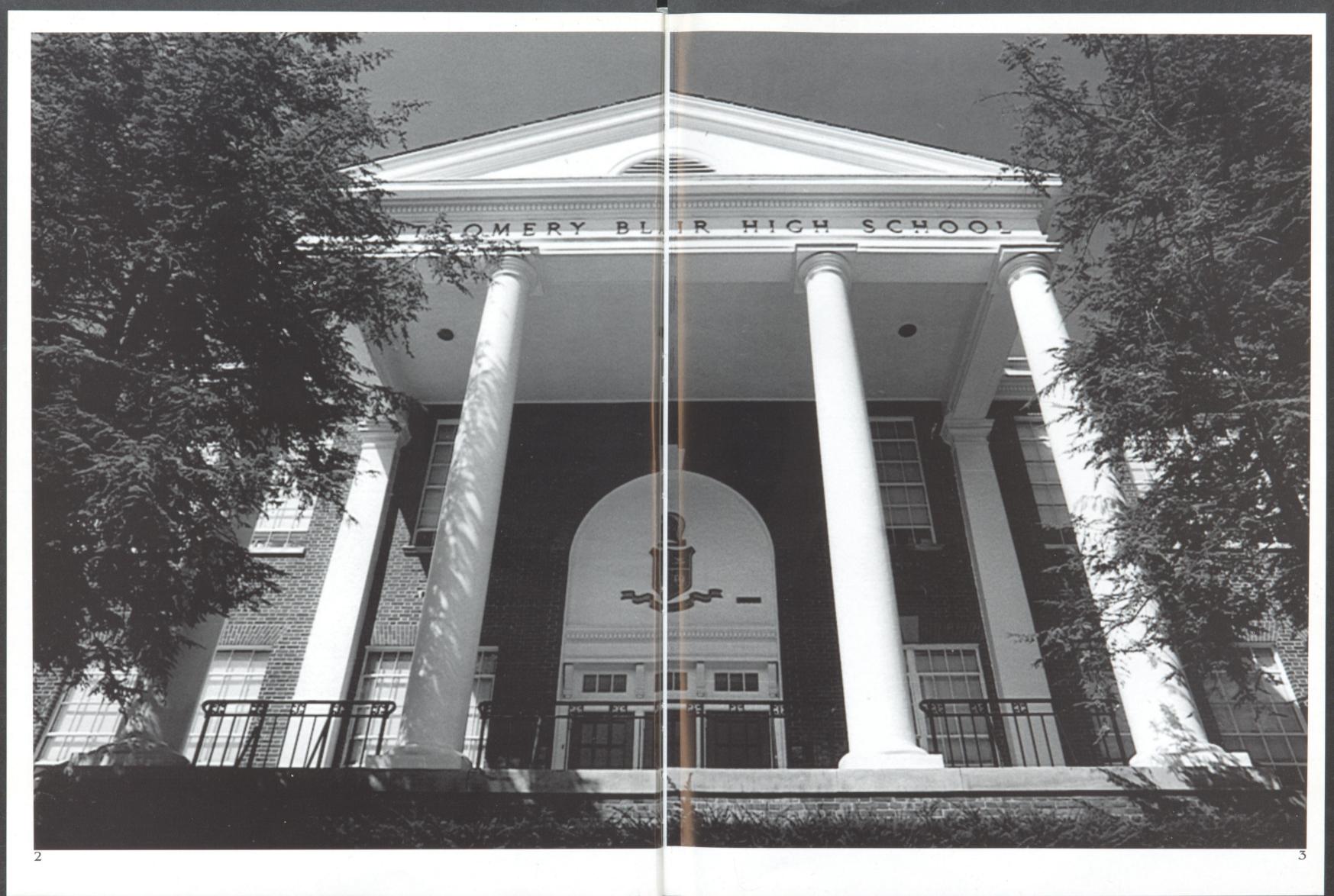
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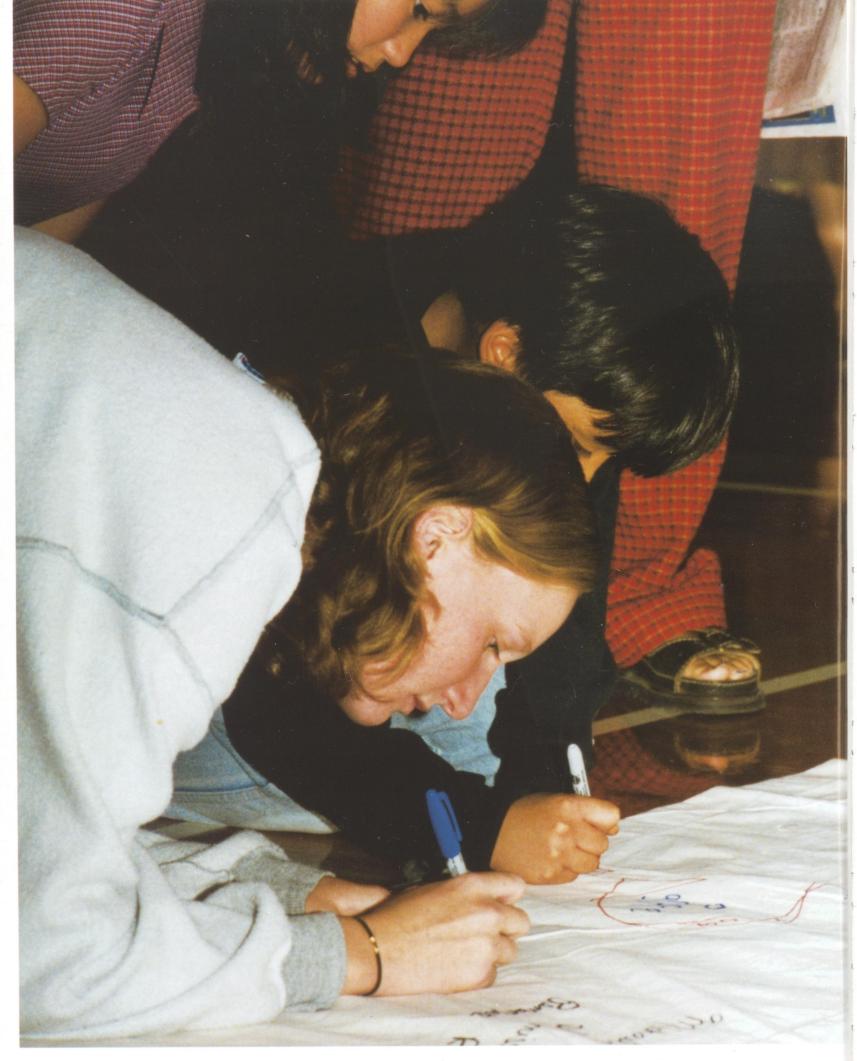


It was 63 years ago that our once solitary building first opened to a joyous, grateful public. The year was 1935, Franklin D. Roosevelt was president, and Blair's enrollment totaled 268. At first, Blair only consisted of today's C building and the congested fields upon which our portables now sit. However, 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 has served as the foundation for their maturation, persistence and hard work. Each day, the vast student popu-

lation utilizes the building and portables, providing an opportunity to meet new people and create new memories while 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 hopes to solidify his/

her future. The '97-'98 school year was unique. Students participated in many activities including: homecoming, sports, music, art and much much more. Never before have there been so many clubs at Blair, and many students



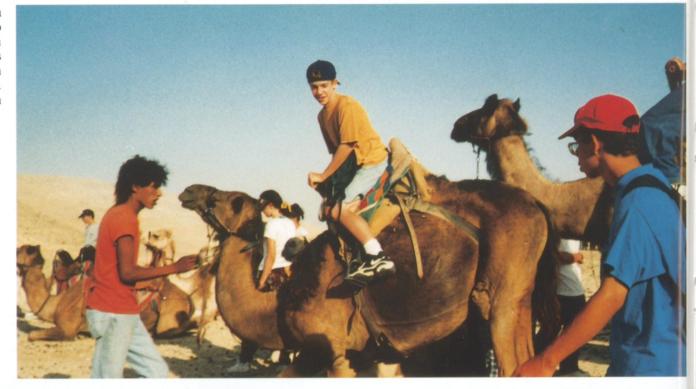
took the initiative to get involved with an extracurricular activity which peaked their interest. Being the last class to graduate from Montgomery Blair on Wayne Ave., the class of 1998 displayed an overwhelming amount of spirit. From the first day to the last, Blazers worked and partied hard. The '97-'98 school year brought an incredible



Homecoming, Prom and graduation. If we stop and take one last look at the old Blair, it is obvious that school was a very personal part of every students' life.

Summer's Great Escape

"I never knew riding a camel could be so hard!" Senior Jon Urban spent six weeks of his summer at a Bedouin dwelling camp in Israel, touring with the youth group Young Judea.



"We gon' show you how we party." Senior Jessica Mayorga spent her summer working and clubbing at a dixoteque in Zurich, Switzerland. While working she met Magic Juan-the lead singer of a famous New York Merengue Hip-Hop band called Proyecto Uno.



"Welcome to the Big Apple!" Senior Vatchara Thongkomdel was in New York City and visited the Statue of Liberty.





Ready, set, go... English teacher Bonnie Palmer and Sophomores Jiacuy Roche and Robert Plamer participated in the 1997 Cycle Across America. The three and many others rode an estimated 270 miles across Maryland.





"Smile for the cameral" Seniors Anna Mackler and Greg Bernard spent tewnty five days of their summer cruising the deep south to study the civil rights moverment with Operation Understanding, D.C. This picture was taken in Selma, Alabama, at the National Voting Rights

"Aren't we all looking happy?" Juniors Victor Martinez, Sara Paul, and Melissa Clark were all smiles when they went to Rehobeth Beach in Delaware for some rest and relaxation.



Favorite Friends

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 planning the rest of your life. But most students remember the fun and friends through these years. Many students find someone at Blair so much like themselves "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 kind of situation. Sure, there are best you can probably think of at least one per-freshman Aileen Chang. son 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

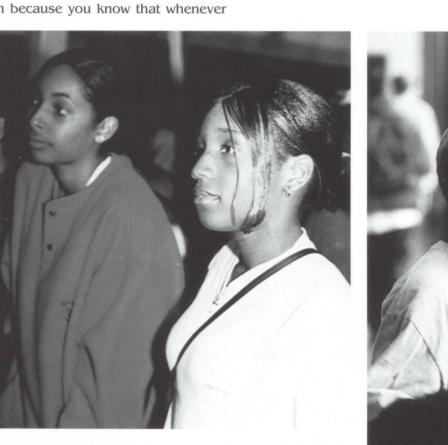
"People always tell me that I will is a time for finding yourself, growing, and never keep in touch with the people from high school, but the friendships I have made here tell my otherwise." Senior Rob Gullixson most likely speaks for everyone.

"You need to keep your good that everything they do, they do together. friends close because girls come and go, but friends are forever, says sophomore Rodney Brookins.

Meeting new friends is also an exciting 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. friends who become distant or people who People talk to me even though I'm a freshjust don't get along, but whoever you are, man. I didn't expect it to be like this," says

Aren't my friends the best? thinks Sophomore Jacquese Weatherspoon. Friends often made birthdays special with balloons, flowers, gifts, and locker decorating schemes.



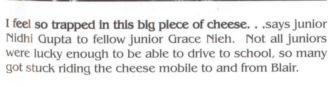


I wish I could do everything I Freshmen were often overwhelmed with the smorgasbord of activities thrown at them during their first activity fair. Participating in clubs and sports is a great way to meet new friends.

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 to go out to lunch. Back in middle school, they didn't have to worry about finding their friends or about where to eat.









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



Dreams of the Future



"I plan to be successful in a theatrical career. I would love to be on the big screen." -Jennifer Moore, senior



"I'm going to move to England and marry Roger Daltrey's son and become a biologist or an exercise psychologist." -Emilie Littlehales, junior



"I want to be famous and have my name known any way I can-legally though; not like I'm going to kill someone." -Chris Foushee, sophomore



"I want to be a secret agent and have those high-tech gadgets from Mission Impossible."

-Phirotha Saim, freshman

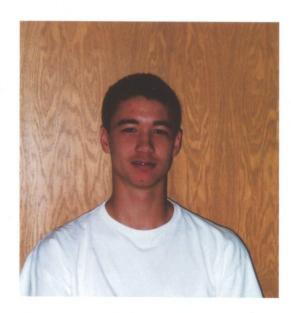


"I dream of becoming the first woman and the first Hispanic to be President." -Jazmin Almonte, senior



"My dream is to take over a third world country and bring back the sixties and seventies."

-Valerie Lewis, junior



"I'm going to win the 20 million dollar lottery, move to the Bahamas and live there comfortably for the rest of my life." -Jason Townsend, junior



"I want to play in the NBA and MLS and also get to the Olympics and World Cup." -Jay Fagan, freshman



"My dream is to have the ability to become anyone I want to be, like the Pretender." -Jenni Lai, sophomore



"I want to play professional soccer for DC United, raise a family and just be happy." -Micah Spiegal, senior



"I want to write and direct movies and do some modeling on the side." -Kester Cuthbert, junior



"I want to be a professional tennis player and make a good living off of that." -Emily Nalven, freshman





Oh no she didn't I Sophomore Dennisha Carmen, Senior Imani Ferguson, Junior Nicole Pridgeon and Senior Angela Taylor discuss by their locker what their friends are up to. Many students at Blair decorate their locker with pictures of friends.



Whats so Funny? Juniors Vincenza Davis and Naom Gotlieb-Miller laugh about the funny pictures on their locker. Many students decorate their locker with funny pictures to bring a smile to their face.

Look at that masterpiece! Sophomore Beau Simms finishes his intricate design. Many students use their planbook for more than just assignments.



Express Yourself

pull out the same old boring binders? Why not spice it up a little and be a little creative? Add a funny bumper sticker to your car, put some pictures of your friends or your favorite band up in your locker, or just that not-so-great look that most teenagers' draw a picture on you binder. At Blair people find different ways of expressing themselves through covering empty space. rust," says Senior Rob Gullixson.

Some people decorate their locker as a way of adding a little happiness to their ery once in awhile, but people sometime day when they are sad. "James Iha is the cover them for other reasons. Senior hottest man alive, and thats why I cover my locker wiht him, says sophomore Sonia Maksimovich, "I can never close my locker after I open it."

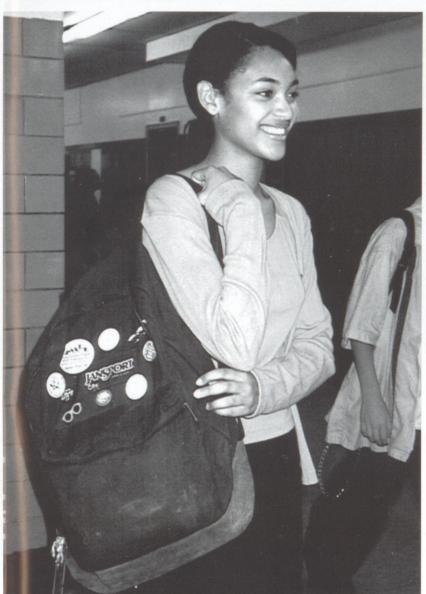
Other people amuse themselves in class or at home by drawing pictures on binders "I doodle on my binder when I get bored, says sophomore Sean Fanning.

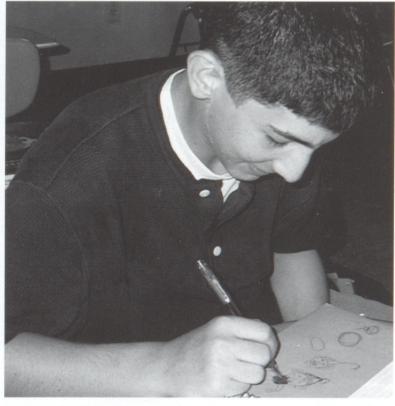
o you ever get sick of the same Other people enjoy displaying what they routine day after day? Get up, love. "I like expressing who I am, and I love drive to school, go to your locker, pigs, so I like to put them on my binder, says freshman Cynthia Chang.

When it comes to cars, students have other reasons for decorating them. Many students are trying to distract from cars have. "Cars look like trash, so bumper stickers spice them up a little, they hide the

Bookbags can also look boring ev-Cynthia Addai-Robinson says, "When I was in junior high, I realized I had a lot of buttons and I didn't have anything to do with them so I started putting them on my bag."

- Tammy Shapiro





Pay Attention! Sophomore Manny Stockman slacks off during class by doodling on his notebook. Art is an easy way to pass time when class gets a little too boring to pay attention. Decorated notebooks can be seen in every classroom.

Go Women! Senior Cynthia Addai-Robinson expresses her feminist views with buttons for everyone to see. A lot of students at Blair have strong views they like to express in a variety of creative ways.

Entrances... Making the perfect entrance can be quite nerve wracking for some, but as Pippa Durham and her date step through the door they display nothing but glamour and style.



Making an Impression...Introductions are critical for setting the mood of an enjoyable evening Senior Joanna Ries recieves a very romantic corsage from her date Chat Chanyasubkit which will be a constant reminder of how the mood was set at the beginning of the evening.



A Night to Remember



LADIES NIGHT OUT... For this group of gorgeous young party seekers, Prom simply means "Ladies Night Out". Rent a 10 passenger limo, dine at a 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.



Looking Good...For junior Olivia Smith and her Mingling before getting out on the dance date Luis Jiminez, looking good for the camera floor...Seniors Adele Kenyon and her date is as easy as saying "I Love You",, after a perfect Nick Hill look around for familiar faces. Adele night spent dancing and having fun.

holds her long-stemmed rose close to her dress to show Nick how much she appreciates the token of their evening.





Dancing the night away...Prom is a night of romantic dancing with a person you care for. Couples pack the dance floor holding on tightly as the DJ spins a slow song to create a lasting memory for each person to carry with them as they leave Blair.

Something Kodak Can't Touch "There you go Prince Charming." Senior Lisa Baccala attaches Kevin Oakley's sash during the

tion and chat with our friends. Whether it is about current gossip, sharing memories, or possibly discussing something 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 people enjoy and will miss about Blair. class buddy of hers, "escorted me to all Senior Joanna Ries says her fondest seven of my classes!" Most are not this memory of Blair would definitely be, "When lucky but many people have special memo- we won the game at Westminster for Girls ries from freshman year, considering it is Varsity Basketball, and moved on to States." their first year of high school.

remember being Homecoming Prince, always remember these special moments. freshman year, and the bamma outfit I wore." Few have the glory of winning this honor but simply participating in Homecoming and its activities are just as fun. Sopho-

Thile sitting in the crowded hallways more Stacey Trock reminisces, "The week of Blair we listen to Blair's radio sta of Homecoming last year the upper classmen actually left us alone and let us be proud of '00." When asked to recall a special moment at Blair, most people immediately think of big events such as homecoming, while everyday occurrences are overlooked. Junior Andrew Schafer states that he enjoys, "Just the moments I have to chill and laugh with my friends."

It's these collective experiences Though students are anxious to move on Junior Omar Bruce, reminisces, "I with their lives and out of Blair, they will

pep rally. Five lucky seniors receive the hono of prince-for-a-day every year.







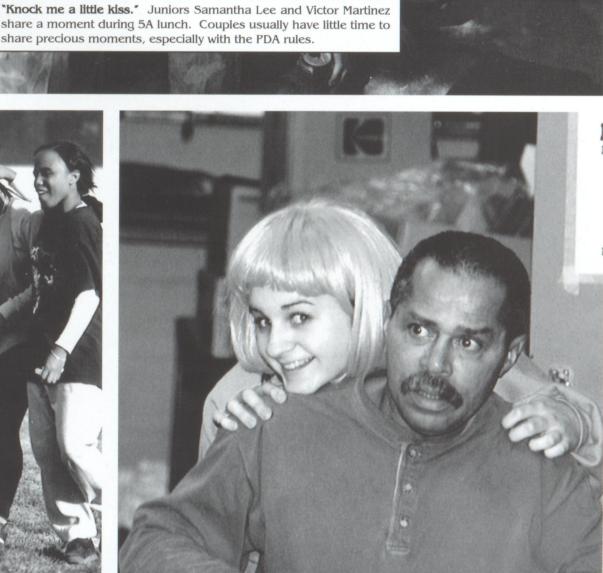
"What's the story Morning Glory?" Juniors Sara Paul and Melissa Clark talk before school about current goings on. Many people meet in the student parking lot in the morning before they rush off to first period.

"Do you have a minute?" Seniors Yoshi Manale and Lara Handler take advantage of the few minutes during passing time to talk. Most students like to chat in between classes before moving on to the next period.





"Watch out, because we're DOUBLE TROUBLE!" Twins Nichole and Nakisha Celistan team up against opponent, senior Neela Khin, during the powder puff game. This second annual event was a big success for the class of '98, who held on to their title.



"Say cheesel" Junior Olivia Smith smiles with photography teacher Mr. Stallings. Many students enjoy having an opportunity to capture the world as they see it through the

City at Your Fingertips

"I believe I can fly," jokes seniors Nikole and Naomi Benders, with family friends at the Air and Space Mueseum. The free museums of the Smithsonian offer access to some of the best exhibits in the country. Students always have places to go to expand their



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



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.





"Gimme that mic!" Senior Christina Garcia does a solo at the Wilson Center in Northwest DC. Living near the city provides an endless supply of music. From Go-go to Ska to Jazz, students can find whatever is music

"Where's the beef?" ask seniors Jessica Fry, Poppia Ahemd, Ruth Meininger, and Beth Luselela. Taste of DC is just one of many ethnic events in the area giving students a chance to experience different cultures.

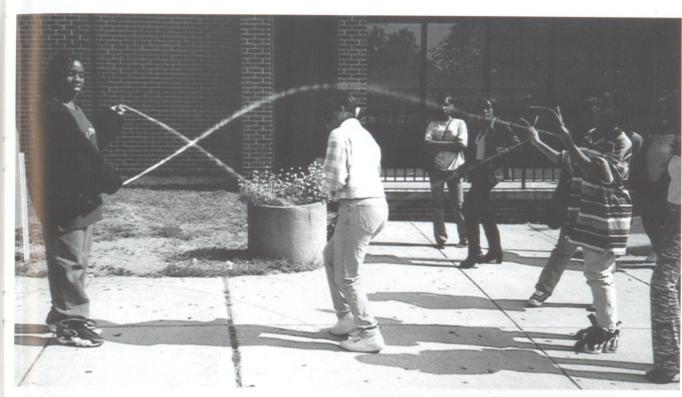
Calvin Klein? Junior Katie Van Wert stands in a moment of deep contemplation..."I wonder why people don't wear jean jackets any more?"



Revisiting the Eighties... Sophomore Maria Ortado is known through Blair as the girl with the spiked hair. It was only in the age of punk rock that we saw these strange hair do's displayed in force. Even though the style has faded, Maria shows us it has not totally disappeared.



The Styles We Miss

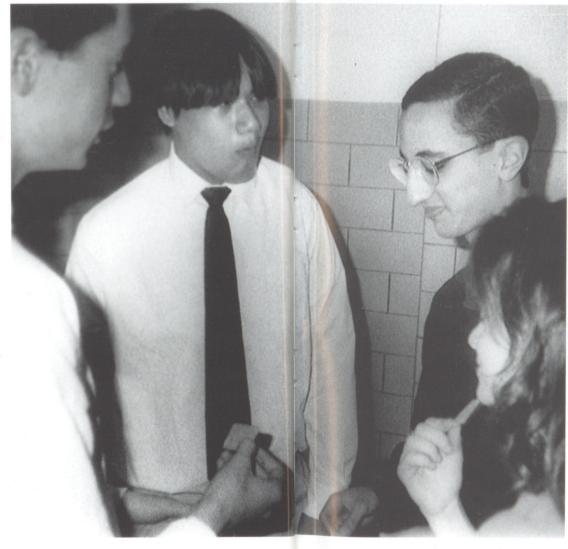


Double Dutch! Freshmen Makia Wilson, left, and Janeel Baily, right and play a game of jump rope with Bilquis Lawrenco. As Bilquis hops and jumps, the crowd may wonder why double dutch has become a lost art. We have missed jump rope since its hay-day in fifth grade.



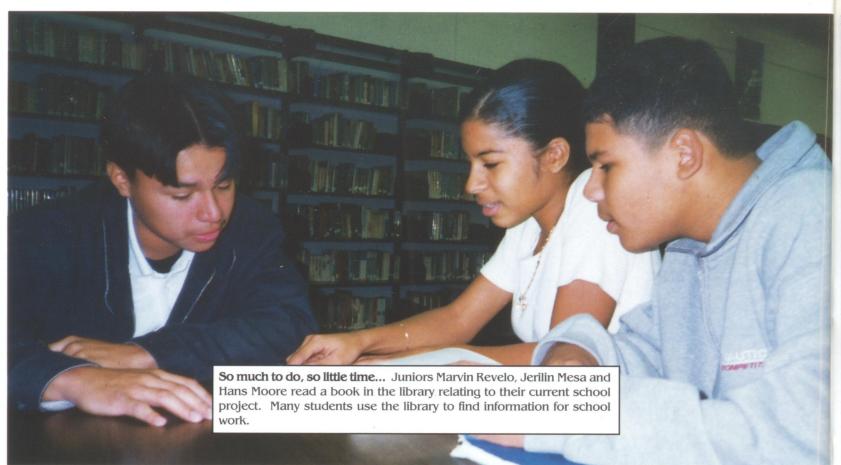
Collars....UPI Junior Darian Harvey goes against the fashion grain, wearing his collar in the upward position. It was way back in the days of Grease when wearing flipped up collars was the fashion.

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.

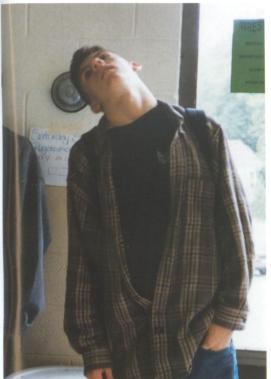




Do bleach-blonds really have more fun? Senior Amanda Vockerodt sports her bleach-blond wig for the powder puff football game while Junior Nicole Dade yells for the team. We all remember the days when bleaching your hair was the thing to do, however for most the bleaching fad has been



wonder what the future will hold. . .thinks junior Jesse Hull as he daydreams in the middle of the hall. Many students think about the future events in their lives.



Chronic Customs

leepwalking throught the hallway, hausted. Arriving at your locker, you notice that your locker-buddy decorated it in some horrendous fashion but due to last night's lack of sleep, you have minimal energy to fight the modeling job. By the time lunch rolls around, you have already slept through two classes. You were hoping nap during lunch but before you can drift away into la-la land, your friend with a car forces mental habit. "I skip at least two classes a you to venture outside of Blair to eat lunch. week," says freshman Bennett Shields. How-After this break, you conclude the school ever, other students oppose skipping day by sleeping through your remaining classes. Once home you promise yourself, "I will never procrastinate again."

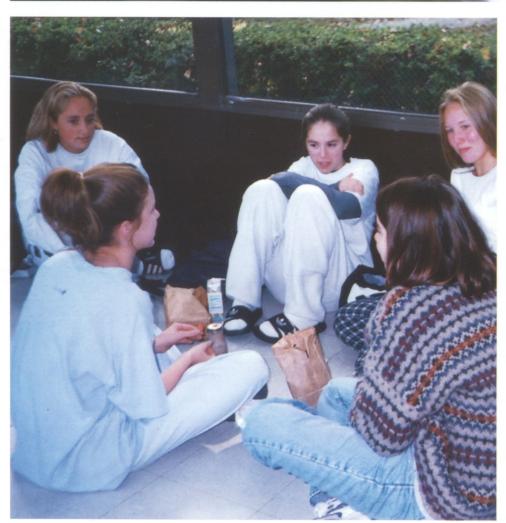
lated habits which can be either beneficial or detrimental to them. Procrastination is one of the bad habits. "Procrastination is the key to stress and I have the grey hairs to prove it," says Senior Bao Nguyen.

While procrastination provides an you realize that the previous opportunity to lose sleep, open lunch allows evenings allnighter has you totally ex-students to partake in many different activites. Some students use lunch as a time to socialize with friends. "I sit out by the tree in front of the school and hang with my friends", says sophomore David Choy. Other students leave campus to eat in restaurants. "Usually I just go to Roy's or Jerry's", says junior Sam Lee.

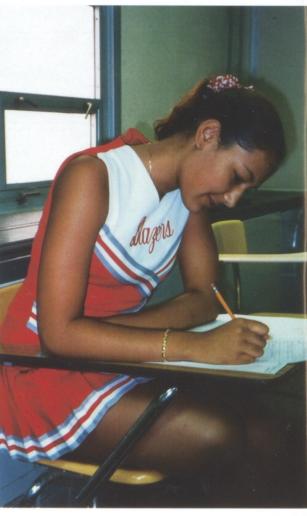
Skipping classes is another detriclasses. "You go to school to learn and nothing else", says junior Michael Heller.

Junior Ramon Sola concludes Many students develop school reabout the habits of a Blair student. "To each his own."

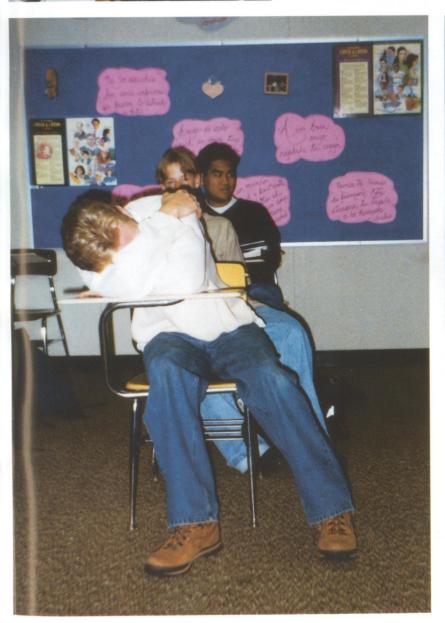
- Jesse Erdheim



"Did you hear?" Sophomores Beth Compa, Katie Sensenig, Leah Weinzimer, Diana Nolan and Ariel-Alvez Moats discuss the latest gossip while eating lunch in the breezeway. Many students chat about the daily goings-on at Blair.



"Finally, I'm almost done..." thinks sophomore Simone Aponte as she finishes her class assignment. Many students enjoy the satisfying feeling of finishing school work



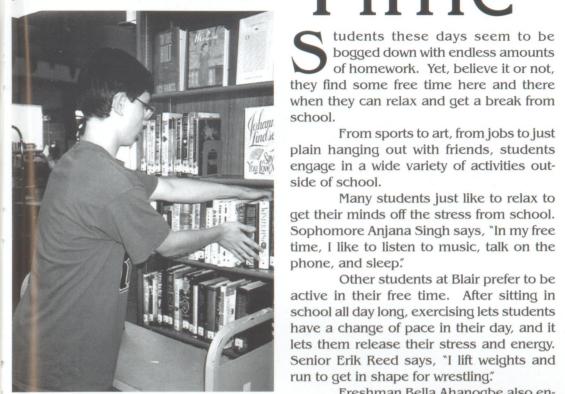


Will it fit? Senior Tres McNair attempts to swallow half of his McDonalds hamburger all in one bite. Hungry students generally eat quickly, especially when they leave Blair to eat lunch.

Konked out! Senior Henry Coppola snoozes through Spanish class after a hard nights work. Many students sleep through classes after working late the previous night.

Pass me the ball, I'm open! Juniors Michael Buckout-White, Peter Do David Schaerdel, and Martin Tran play a game of street hockey after school. Many Blair students enjoy sports in their free time, as it is a fun way to release the stress of school.

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



Time To Kill tudents these days seem to be joys staying active. "I like to play sports bogged down with endless amounts such as soccer and basketball," she says.

of homework. Yet, believe it or not,

From sports to art, from jobs to just

Many students just like to relax to

Lyanna Tep, a sophomore, spends they find some free time here and there her free time doing more unique activities. when they can relax and get a break from She says, "I like playing pool and doing karaoke."

Other students spend their free time working at jobs. This gives them something to 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 Sophomore Anjana Singh says, "In my free school so I can have money to spend on time, I like to listen to music, talk on the clothes, says junior Morgan Henry.

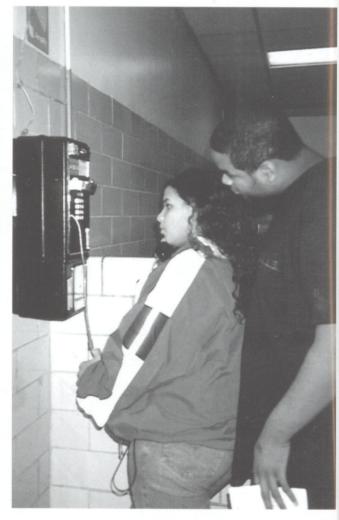
Some students just like to be alone. Other students at Blair prefer to be Sophomore Danielle Russell says, "I just like active in their free time. After sitting in to sit and think a lot."

When they find time outside of have a change of pace in their day, and it school students have many ways to spend their free time and get away from it all.

- Joanna Mauer



Yes, I got the high score! Freshman Ursula Hill plays a game of Tetris on the computer, Are you done with the phone already? Senior Lucian DaSilva something that lets her have fun and relax at the same time. Students often become waits in line impatiently as freshman Delores Sahadeo talks addicted to computer games and rush out to but the new releases.



on the phone with a friend. Blair students are known to spend endless hours on the phone during free-time.



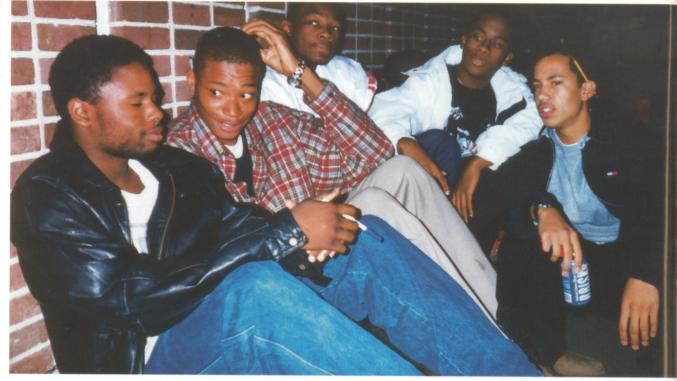


Adding the finishing touches. Sophomore Jia Xu finishes his drawing of an airplane, an activitity that he enjoys doing when he has time away from school. Many students develop their artistic abilities in their free time using a wide variety of mediums.

Just Chillin' Junior Rameez Abbas relaxes after school by listening to her walkman. Walkmans and Discmans are favorite possesions and can be used during free time to enjoy listening to favorite music selections.

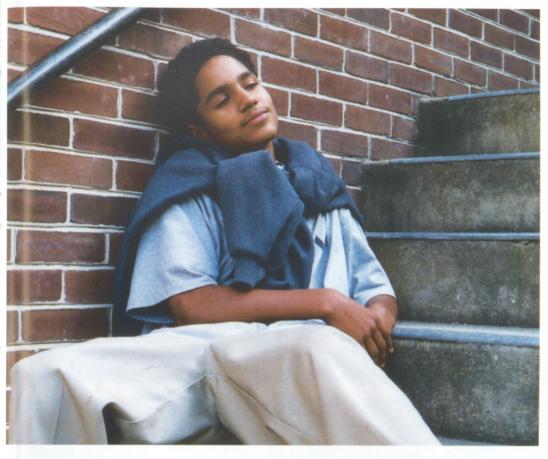
Fashion & Trends

Lovin' Leather! Senoirs Alimike Trotman, Kerlin Lapierre, Colin Shackleeford, and Rich Clark admire Kimani Duracell's new leather coat. For many girls and guys at Blair leather is a "cool" statement for win-



Big man on campus. Oversized khakis are Sophomore Rodney Brookins' favorite fashion to 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.









"Help, my HAIR!" Sophomores Erin Auerbach asks classmate Carolyn Serey to help fix her hairdo. Many students put a lot of effort into their appearance at school. In the halls, it is not uncommon to spot members of every class looking at their reflection.





See you at the car wash." Senoirs Jameelah Carter and Beth Luselela show off their sleek style while making their car shine clean.

It's all in the name... Senoir Leslie Kudayah, along with Juniors Cassandra Digby, Nicole Celistan, and Kelly Douglas show off their designer threads. Moschino, Armani, Bebe, and Ralph Lauren are just a few of the favorite brand names worn by students this year.

bebe

Going to Extremes

not? After all, these are the sports that have ets, even football must have sounded become popular. These are the sports that are broadcast each season to millions of you must run back to where you started people. These are the sports which domifrom to get a point. If you are there already, nate the high school and college teams. But why did you move in the first place? Maybe to some students however, these sports have become ordinary, usual, BORING.

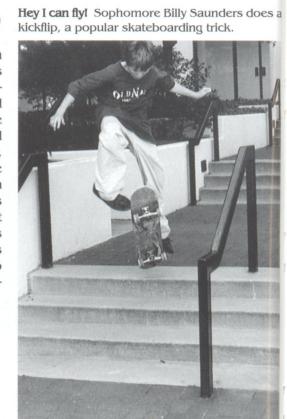
in more unusual or unorthodox sports such enthusiastic skydiver says "I skydive because there is always an element of risk."

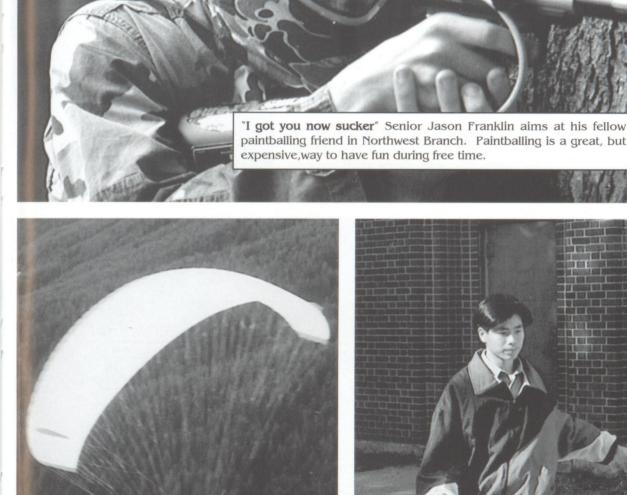
Sophomore James McKenna is an sion. avid street rollerblader and if you cruise around Silver Spring on the weekend you will probably see him. James says "I skate because there is a certain amount of adrenaline that I get when I skate, that's why I do it"

Many people would say that these

ootball, basketball, soccer, baseball; students are crazy for partaking in such these are the names you think of sports. But then again, didn't all things when you hear the word "sport". Why sound strange at first?. Computers, rockstrange at first. Or baseball, a game where these sports are not unorthodox but just a little different than average sports such as Many students at Blair participate football, basketball, and baseball. Street skating and paintball are possible additions as Senior Gordon Li. Gordon, who is a very to the next Olympics. Unorthodox sports should not be thought of as detrimental to the community but rather, a form of expres-



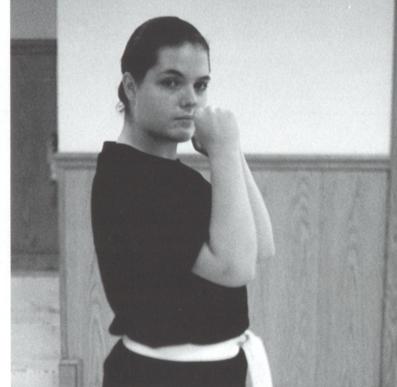




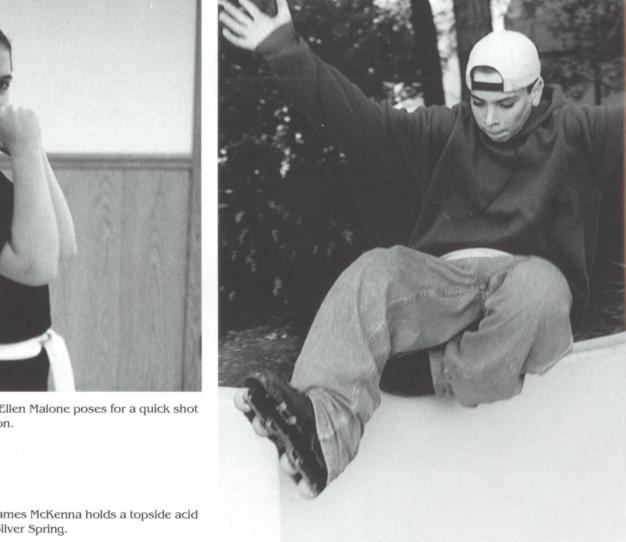
parasailing in New Zealand over the summer.



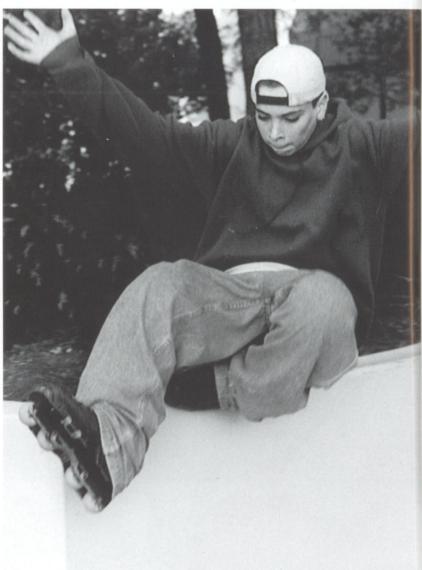
Tell me again why I did this...Junior Persis Yu went I think I got it. . . Sophomore Quang Ngugen plays a different sort of footbag with his friends outside the B-C hall breezeway.

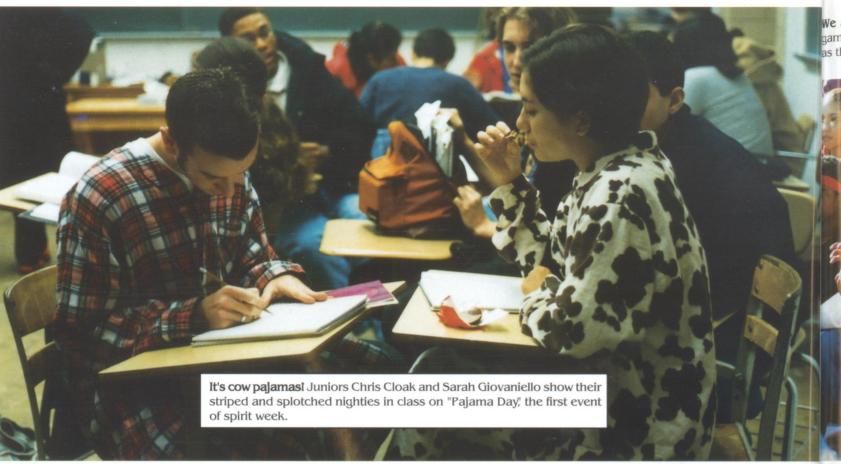


Concentrate Ellen-San. . . Senior Ellen Malone poses for a quick shot during a break in her karate lesson.









We are Red Hot! In the stands at the football game, students dressed in red watch attentively s the varsity team makes a play.

Remember When...

wrath of the Blair security personnel, and Blazers made the most of it.

seen wearing their pajamas, dressing like teachers (or teachers like students), looking like the opposite sex, wearing class colors, or having more fun than usual. "It's a chance to be different, without worrying about being made fun of, says freshman Georgianna Varrone.

On opposite sex day, many girls wore masculine clothes and convincing facial hair, while guys enjoyed a day of wearing high heels, racy outfits, and gobs of make-up.

"It went pretty well, since some of my friends dressed up really well," says junior James Cooney with a laugh. Seniors showed their artistic side with remiciscent drawings of childhood cartoon characters,

hat's right, it's HOMECOMING! This while juniors took a stroll through the is the one time of year when people Harlem Renaissance. Sophomores created can get crazy without risking the a Wizard of Oz-like yellow brick road and the freshmen hall had a musical theme.

Members of clubs such as the Chi-During spirit week, people could be nese/Korean, Indian, Silver Quill, and Gay-Straight Alliance also demonstrated spirit with decked out hallways. The Physics club made a Smurf float and the Stage Crew constructed a "Yellow Submarine" float.

> Sadly, the varsity game was lost to Walter Johnson. But the J.V. made up for it with a victory, and in the spirited Powder Puff game senior girls beat the junior girls.

> For the dance, everyone was dressed to perfection and radio station Z104 played tunes until midnight. Just the night before, Alumni retuned for a last dance

> The week was a huge success and will not soon be forgotten.

> > - Christine Vest



Packed onto their float. . .Sophomores show class pride in the homecoming parade. Several were even dressed as characters from "The Wizard of Oz."



"This is my guy," says Evelyn Vargas, showing off her evening date senior Jhunio Medina to Rafaelina Bueno. Like many Blazers, they danced the night away to a variety of tunes played by Z104

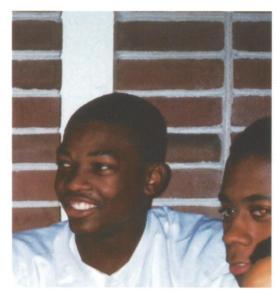




Homecoming King and Queen Tony Murray and Nicole Benders wave to the cheering crowd during the half-time parade, from the thronelike back seat of a teacher's convertable.

How does that song go again? Senior Aliya Heylinger takes a break from playing her clarinet with other members of the pep band at the Varsity football game. They got the crowd and cheerleaders hyped with favorites like "Let's Go Band!"

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! -Ariel Evans, sophomore



...open lunch, just eating by the lockers with friends."

-Kia Torres and Bruno Rubindecelis, sophomores



"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



"The courtyard is our place. We'll miss our tree, our sidewalk, cutting through the courtyard."

-Brinda Thomas and Joanne Chan, freshmen



"I'll miss the memories that I shared with my friends in A hall."

-Dolores Sahadeo, fresh man, with the Blazer Mascot and Blair Hayes, senior



"I'll miss Ertters' food. I'm there everyday." -Chan Dara, freshman



instead of like the uptight security guards just be city." at other schools. That'll probably change at the new Blair."

-Anna Browne, junior



"...how the security is relaxed during lunch, "We have parks here and Sligo. There it'll

-Wei-Li Deng, junior



"...chillin' on F porch."

-Tsion Tekle, sophomore



"A new building is just a collection of pretty new bricks, but this Blair has a lived in feel. So many different people have graced these halls over the past sixty years."

-Justin Ho, senior





The various cultures that encompass Blair are often overlooked. These faces that surround us comprise our STUDENT BODY. The majority of students come here with the intention to excel ei-

ther 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 high-school career, the sophomore class was proud to not be at the bottom

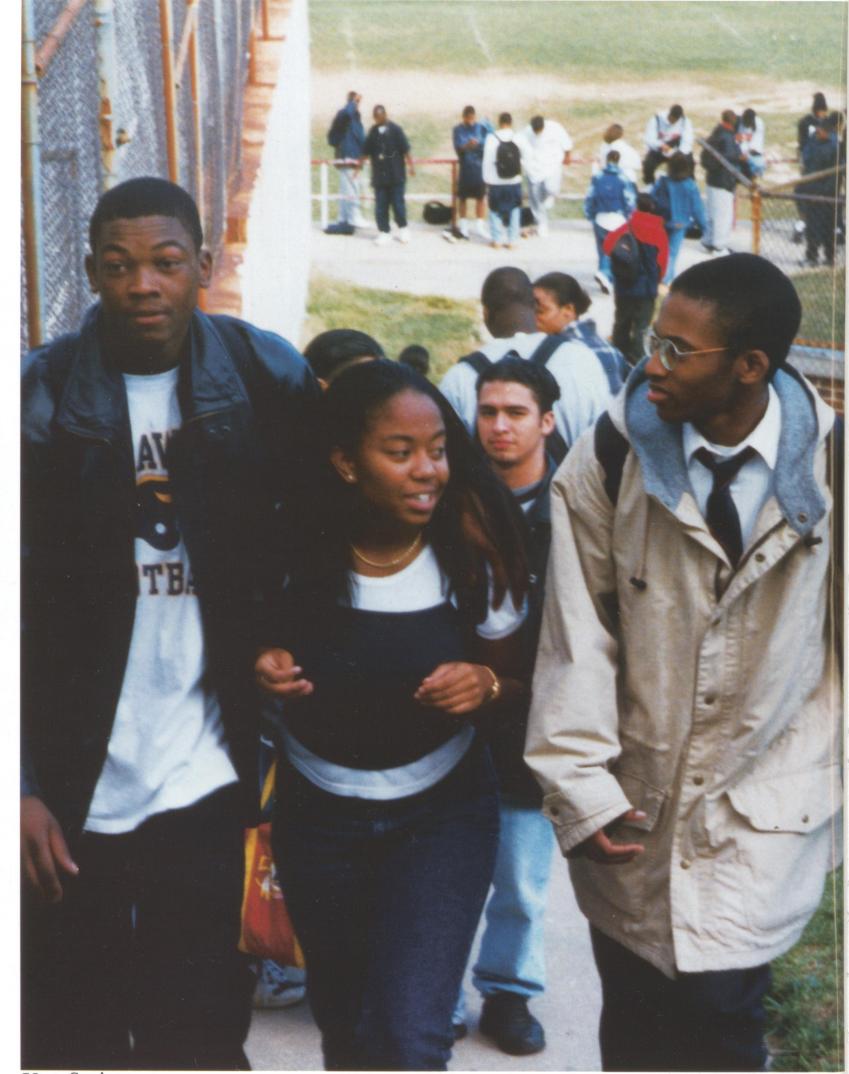
of the totem pole anymore, and displayed their happiness in many different ways. The junior class understood how important their third year in high school is for their future but always in the back of

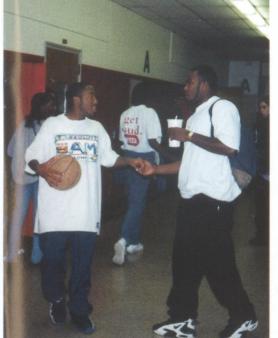


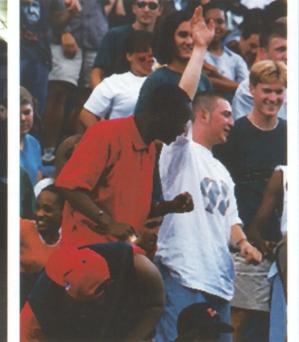
their minds was the anxiety of becoming the leaders of the school. The seniors struggled through the year with severe senioritis but provided a strong foundation of spirit which served as an example to the rest of the school. At the end of this year we bid farewell to the old Blair which



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.



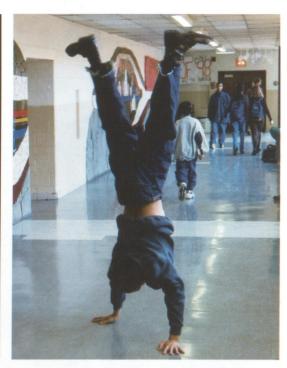


















8 Seniors

Who is Your Favorite Superhero?



My Superhero is Superman because he never

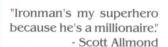
-James Mompoint

"The Snorks are my heros because they saved the ocean."





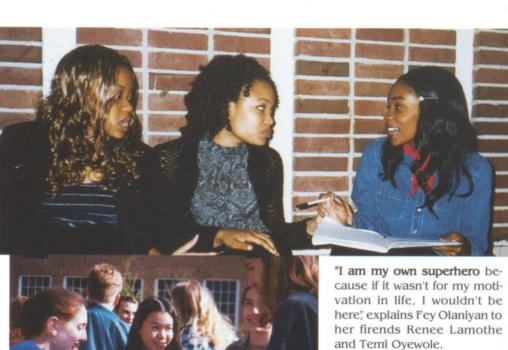
Mighty Mouse! He's cool because he's like me! Short but mighty!" -Renee Calderon







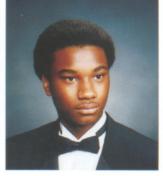
"I am my own superhero because if it wasn't for my motivation in life, I wouldn't be here", explains Fey Olaniyan to



"My superhero is Bullwinkle becase he's on my shirt and always manages to escape Boris", Jin Huang excitedly tells her friends over lunch in the court-



Nicholas Allen



Reginald Allen



Scott Almond

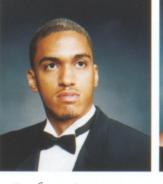


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Joshua Ammons





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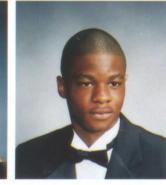
Roberto Aparicio



Billy Aragon



Glenda Arqueta



Matthew Ashley



Blanca Abarca



Lidya Abebe



Stacey Aboyme





Cynthia Addai-Robinson Patrick Ahanogbe



Yonas Assefa



Lisa Baccala



Oluwabusola Bada



Carol Bady



Ethan Baker



Tabassum Ahmed Seniors



Sun Ahn





Emily Akinnagbe Samuel Akinnagbe



Fredy Alberto



Marcus Baker



Elizabeth Baltodano



Shani Barnett



Monique Bartley



Abby Batko-Taylor



Jaime Bauer





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Naomi Benders



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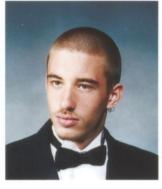




Fernando Benitez



Willian Benitez



Jeremy Benna



Akila Benson



Jonah Berger



Heather Byrd



Leslie Calderon



Edgard Calegari



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Luke Bergmann



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Shivonne Berridge



Rupa Bhatia



Edwin Billhimer





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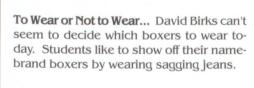


James Brodt





A Little Air Down There ... The temperature rises once again in the Physics room forcing Micah Spiegal to once again show off his underoo's.



What do you wear under there?

Blair Seniors reveal all: 82% **Boxers** 17% Briefs 1% Both





David Birks

Arianne Boylan Seniors



Theola Blocker

Louis Breger

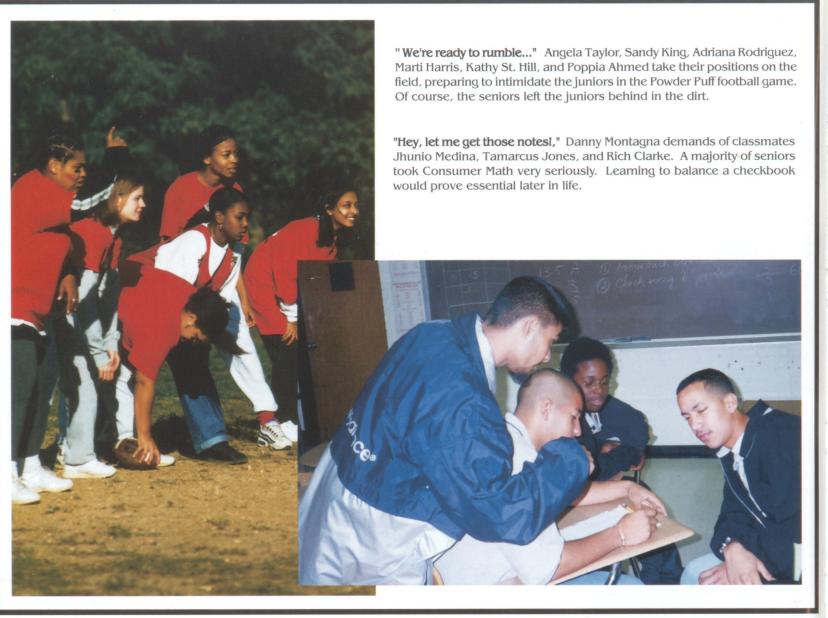


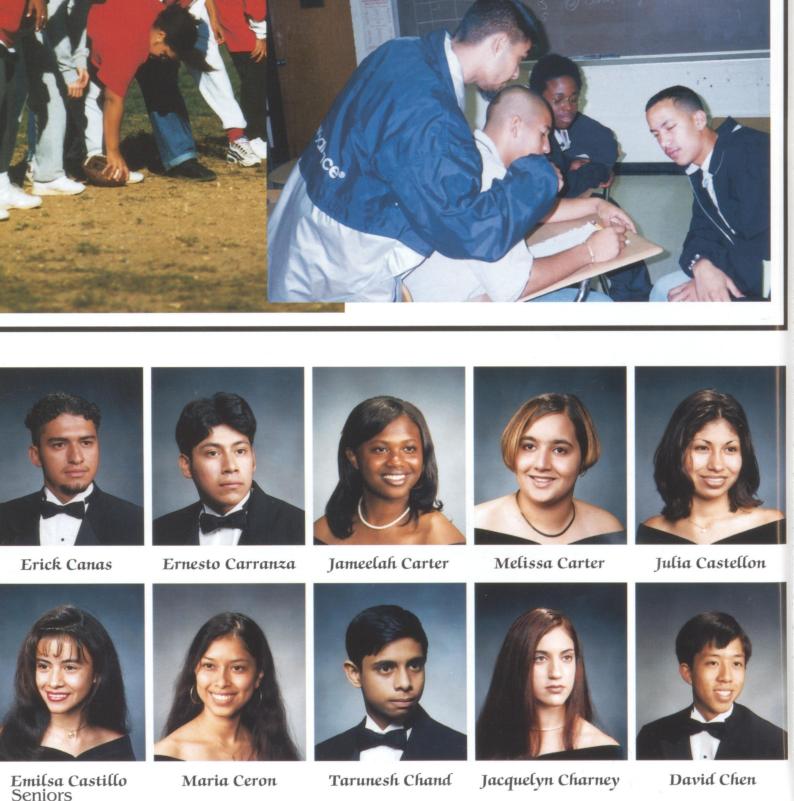
Emily Brewster

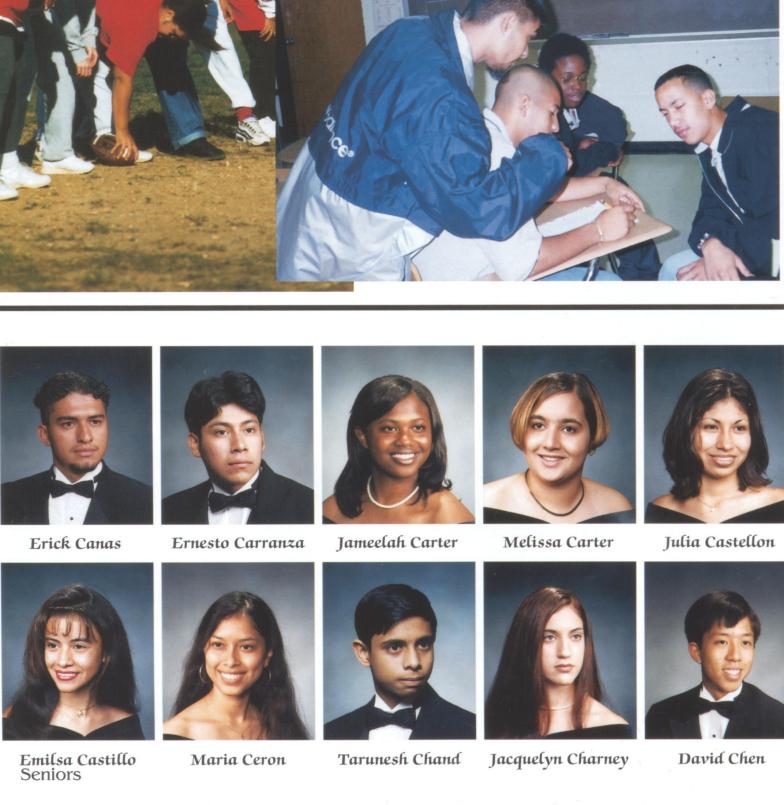


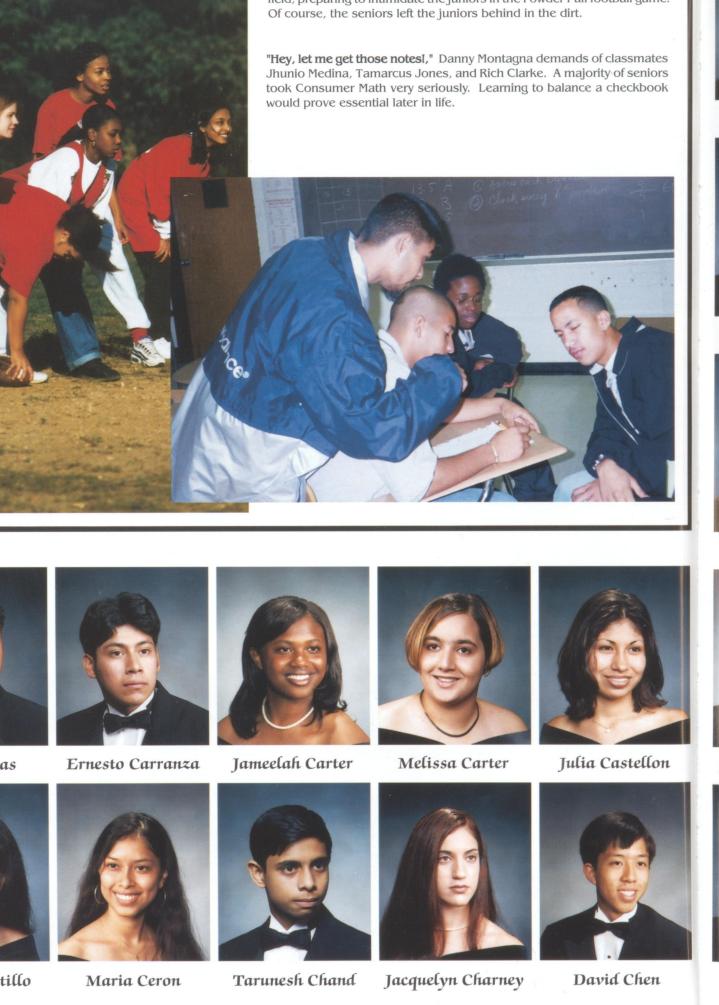
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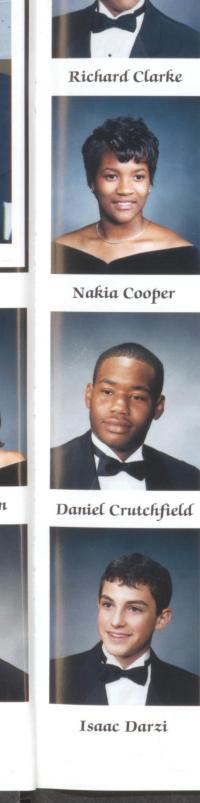




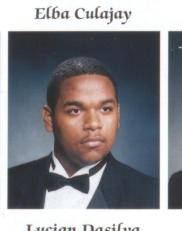










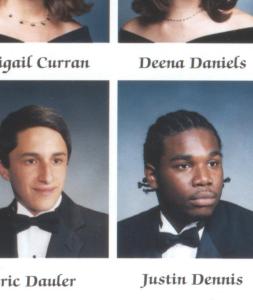


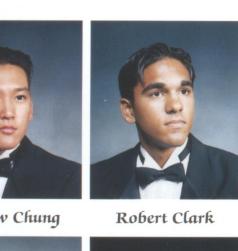
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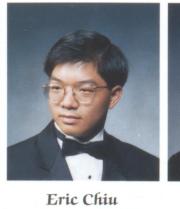
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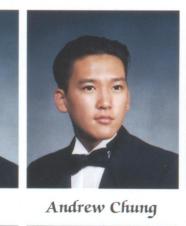










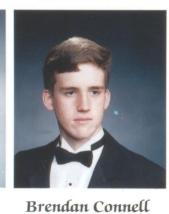






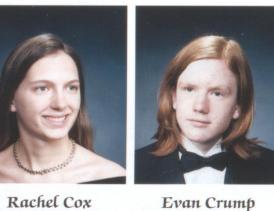






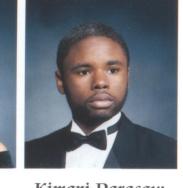


















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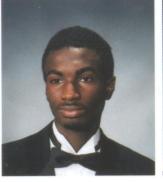
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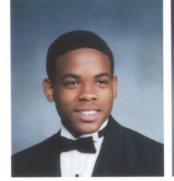
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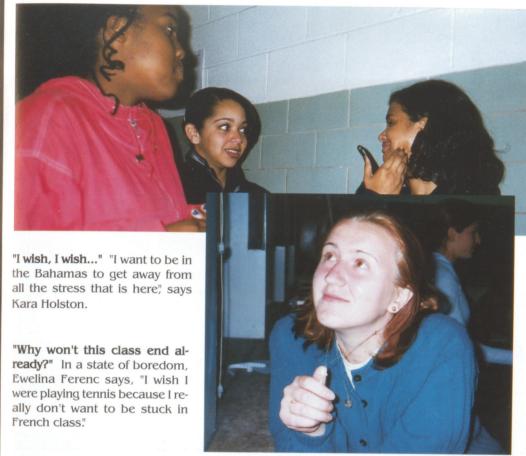


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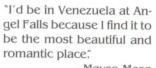


Anywhere But Here



"I guess I would be in New York 'cause there's lots of things to do and because downtown Silver Spring can get pretty boring."

- Cynthia Addai-Robinson







"I would be in my room. It's my reflection place- the only place where I have time for myself."

- Aliya Heyliger

"I would be in a nice comfortable room with a mellowed out background, Marvin Gaye music playing in the distance, and a beautiful girl to share the moment with."









Robert Gandy



Madeline Friedman



Jessica Fry



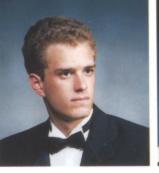
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Brian Gagne



Robert Fairbairn Seniors



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Katherine Fawcett



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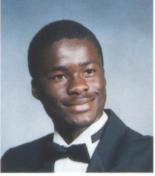
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Tayla Green



Laura Goldhar



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Ingrid Gonzalez



Maritza Gonzalez



Sofia Gonzalez



Wendy Grenidge



Ricardo Guerra



Billy Guevara



Sandra Guevara



Rob Gullixson

The Place to Be

After roaming all over Blair for four long years, seniors have chosen their favorite spots.

The winning five are:

#5 Tennis Court

#1 The Courtyard 23% #2 A Hall 15% 13% #3 Sligo Creek 9% #4 My Car



"Just chillin'..." Junior Jose Jimenez and Amha Mesfin relax in the parking lot outside Ertters. It's a great place to eat if you want to leave school but don't feel like driving.

"I found the perfect college!" Angela Taylor and Imani Ferguson camp out in the Career Center. The place to plan your future, the Career Center is Imanis second home.



Cindy Gunraj



Kara Guthro



Esmeralda Gutierrez Glenda Gutierrez





Jaime Haiq



Delonte Hailstock



Lara Handler



Eric Harper



Maritiza Harris



Samuel Harvison



Blair Haves



Jennifer Haynes



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Aileen Hess



Nicholas Hill



Steven Hirsch



Justin Ho



Kara Holston



Aliya Heyliger

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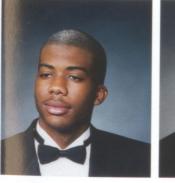
Eric Hutchinson



Fred Irby



Anthony Irish



Bruce Jenkins



Omar Jenkins





Sarah Johnson



"We'll always be together," Manu Sharma and Jessica Mayorga sing a song from "Grease" at the last Homecoming rally. It may not be Broadway,

"Two heads are better than one," Jesse Langford and Jason Franklin share a thoughtful moment. They ponder the many mysteries of the world

but they're still stars at Blair.

as well as high school life.

Aungela Jones



Michael Jones



Alzira Isata Seniors



Okeibund Iwuqo



Nicholas Jabbour



Benjamin Jacoby



Andrea James



Naiyan Jones



Philip Jones



Tamarcus Jones



Lucienne Joseph



Theresa Kallon

Who would you be Stuck in an elevator with?



"My mother because I love her so much."

- Jesse Lee

"Jada Pinkett because I look better than Will Smith! -Garcia Volcy



"Santa Claus, so he can give me anything I want."

-Micah Spiegal

"My boyfriend because he's the only person I want to spend my quality time with."

-Naomi Benders



Lets get started... Jose Rufino and Dominique Brogden would hate to be stuck in an elevator with anybody, but would love a good book to pass the time.

"Ahhh.....that hits the spot." Christina Garcia has a moment to herself. After a long day at school, many students can be found hanging out on F-porch.



Kathryn Kenyon



Jenna Khan



Monna Khan



Neela Khin



Eugene Kim



Sandra King



James Kirchhoff



Sarita Kishore



Colette Knight



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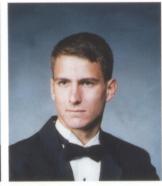
Shawn Kwang



John Kaneshige



Brenda Kao



Stephen Karafiath



Alia Karim



Hironobu Katoh



James Lacroix



Isabele Lamothe



Jesse Langford



Kerlin Lapierre



Tifanne Lawrence



Joanna Katz



Daniel Kaufman



Thomas Kaufman



Andrew Kaylor



Matthew Keister



Serey Lay



Jesse Lee



Tanya Lee



Monica Leiva



Stephani Levasseur



Daivd Levitt



Tamara Lewis



Gordon Li



Staci Lightfoot



Emery Lin



Tharith Mao



Monica Maravilla



Sergia Mars



Hassan Marshall



Alexia Martinez



Ming Hun Liu



Yolanda Lizama



Amelia Lloyd



David Lott



Nicholas Love



Rudis Martinez



Zulma Martinez



Justin Mason



Clara Mateo



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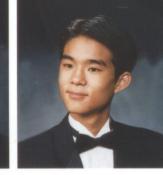


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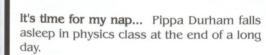
Are You Sleepy?

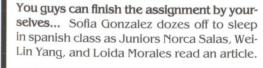


Seniors are often found to be sleeping in class, so how many hours of sleep do they actually get?

> 1) 6 hours 39% 2) 5 hours 16% 3) 7 hours 12%

4) 8 hours 10%







Jennifer Mallick Seniors





Jessica Mayorga



Daniel McBride







Christopher McCoy Nyeshia McKenzie Amanda McMenamin



Genet Mekuira



Stuart Merkel



Andrea Merriam



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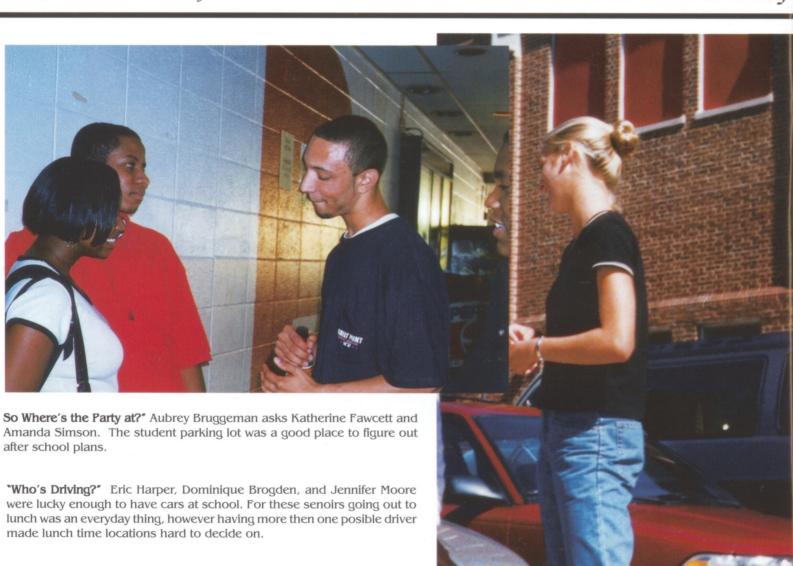
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Jesse Miyoshi



Tamara Mock



Andrew Mol



James Mompoint



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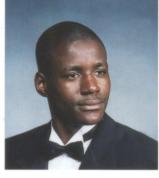
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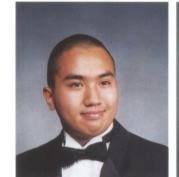
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Vinh Nguyen



Brian Nolan



Dolores Nolasco



Michelle Nugent



Esther Nunez



Kevin Oakley











Confession Session

"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 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 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 walking 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 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."



- Gmerice Thames



"As I was walking down a stairwell in Ghall I confessed to a 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, that's 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."

- Kripa Rajan



peoples' humiliating moments.

Temiloro Oyewole Folasade Oyinade

Iiehae Park



"I know something you don't know!" Seniors Ethan

Spalding, Rupa Bhatia, and Shivonne Berridge are caught

conversing 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



Paulo Padilha

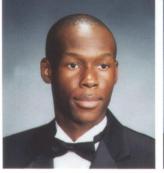


Jose Palacios

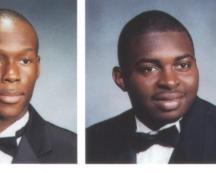




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Victor Onwuemene Sonya Owenscobblah Temilayo Oyewole





Jessica Parr



Norberto Parris, Jr.



Rachael Payne



Monicka Perry



Lam Pham



Mai Thy Pham



Nga Phan



Nicole Phipps



Luke Physioc



Alice Quintana



Jose Quinteros



Lillian Raff



Claudia Ramirez



Carlos Ramos



Juan Pineda



Lisa Pineles



Silvia Portillo



Jessica Povtak



Jonathan Powell



Amita Rao



Vincent Ray



Craig Readler



Erik Reed



Bradley Renuart

Star Wars, or Star Trek?

Early in the year, seniors were asked to choose between STAR WARS and STAR TREK as their favorite science fiction. The results were as follows...

STAR WARS: 107 votes

STAR TREK: 21 votes



trilogy as a child. Ho was one of those who contributed to STAR WARS' landslide victory over STAR TREK.

Kirk or Luke? It is a debate well answered by Bob Gandy, who is a fan of both series'. "Luke would win in a fight, but Kirk wins on manlyness every time."



Delmy Reyes



Jose Reyes



Syreeta Richards



Joanna Ries



Zenayda Rivas





Henry Rivera

Hector Romero





Rosinna Rivera Adriana Rodriguez



Adam Rohner



Evelyn Rojas



Charles Ross



Olga Rostapchova



Ira Rothberg



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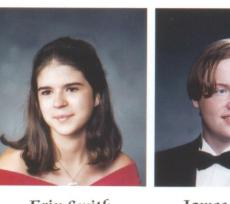


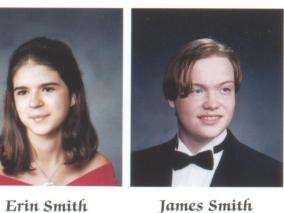






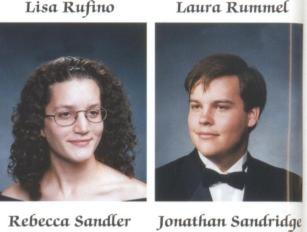




































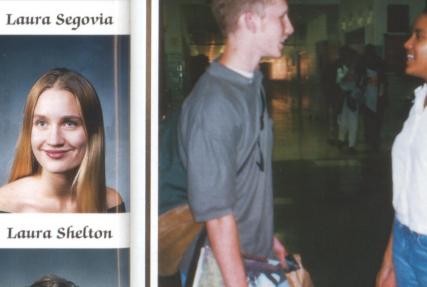




























"Hey, you want to..." Jonah Berger asks Tanya Lee what she is doing after school. Many students make plans to do things during their free time, and take advantage of opportunities to chill.

Visanthe Shiancoe

Where will you be in 20 years?



'Hopefully I'll be married, have a couple of kids, and a rich Italian man! - Kateri Michos

"Wow, 37..I'd like to be living in a foreign country." - Christy Cheng





"I'd be a history teacher at a nice college like Duke or Harvard"

- Jose Pelarios

"I'll be happily married, have two kids, and a nice house with a white picket

- Amanda McMenamin



So many possibilities... Sandra King (above, left) expresses her thoughts with friends Popia Ahmed and Wendy Grenich during a fire drill. "I would like to be a teacher in Maryland, with lots of kids", she says.

"I think I'll be in a big mansion with five cars, a beautiful wife and two beautiful kids," says Rich Clark (right) with Jake



Daniel Swierdiol



Paulina Tamayo



Hung Tang



Yodit Taressa



Betelehem Taye



Angela Taylor



Rahel Tekle



George Telis



Lillian Teng



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Ricardo Tijero



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Micah Spiegal



Jessica Sribnick



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Sarah Stella



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Samuel Trahan



Catherine Tran



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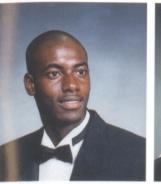
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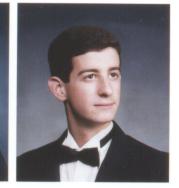












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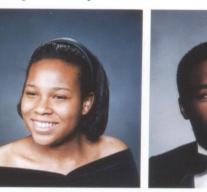
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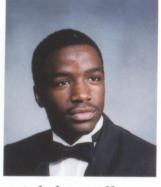












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Crystal Williams Mercedes Williams Nicholas Williams





Jennifer Valencia

















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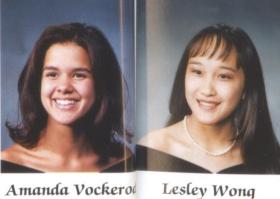


give sugar to teens.

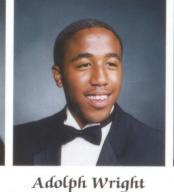


"Am I up or am I down?" exclaims Jason Franklin while twirling around upside down after getting free candy. Sometimes it can be a bad idea to

















Emily Yanisko

Francisco Villatoro 66 Seniors



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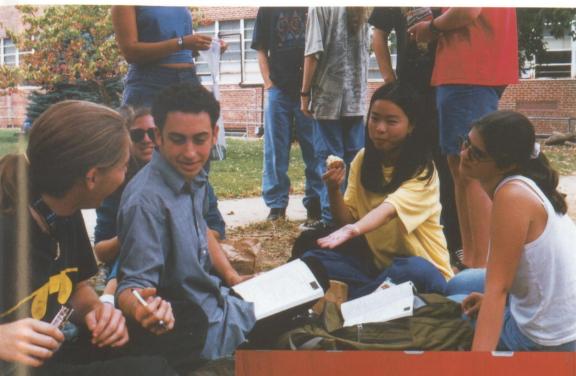
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"Come on, we want some too!" Robert Gandy keeps his food away from friends Nick Allen and Erin Smith. Many students try to hold tight to their snacks so that they won't starve during the day.



Celia Zwerdling

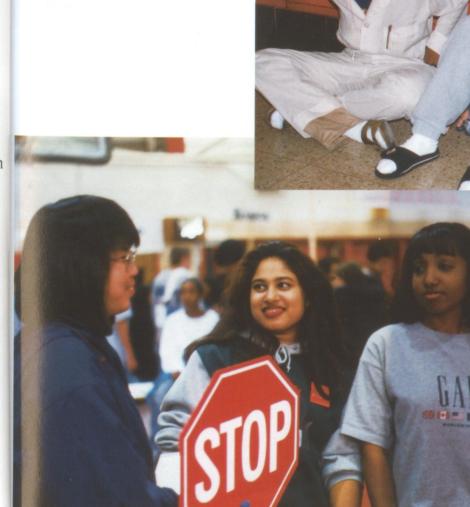
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"I wish we had cars so we could out at

lunch!" Jennifer Haynes, Kateri Michos, and Nikia Williams chill by their locker instead of at McDonalds. Students without cars have no where to go during lunch.

"STOP and be safe!!" Safety committee members Carolyn Vamisiri, Amita Roa, and Monique Bartley help keep people informed about all the safety regulations in the building.

Gary Hart

A Word from



"Save your money, senior vear is expensive!"

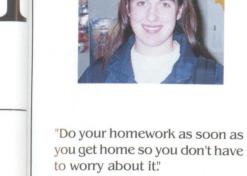
- Nikia Williams



"When you're younger, go to class everyday so you can skip when you're a senior!"



- Nick Love



"Girls, leave the Blair boys alone!"

- Monicka Perry



"Start thinking about college as a freshman!"

- Rich Clark

- Joanna Ries



"Stay real and hold it down!"

- Reginald Allen



"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



"Take advantage of the half day schedules."

- Anna Marie Lowery

"Get an easy schedule senior year."

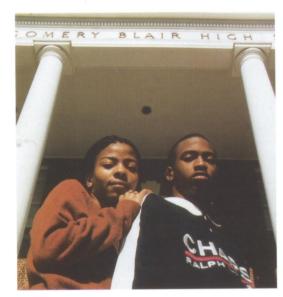
- Jackie Charney



"Keep on blazin' Blazers!"

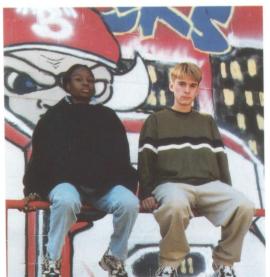
-Danny Montagna the Wise ...

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Kathy St. Hill and Tres McNair Most Likely to be President

Ayodele Terry and Danny McBride Most Athletic





Amanda Vockerodt and Erik Reed Best All-Around Person

Eric Hutchinson and Rachel Cox Next Saturday Night Live Star





Colette Knight and Ricky Guerra Most Likely to Host Their Own Talk Show

Matt Fagan and Shivonne Berridge Biggest Heart





Jessy Sribnick and Michael Sun Most Likely to Hit a Parked Car

Lesley Wong and Jake Dennis

Most Artistic





Fred Irby and Alexis Brobby Most Changed

Mike Wolcott and Debbie Truman Biggest Moocher

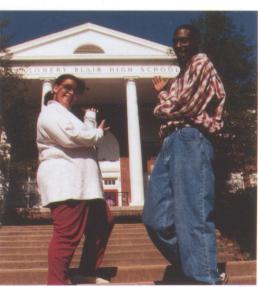




Anna Mackler and Steven Hirsch Most Likely to be on the Cover of a Tabloid

Adriana Rodriguez and Tony Murray

Most School Spirit



Seniors



The way we were...

Mrs. Cherie McGinn



Mr. Rick Moats









Nikole and Naomi Benders Jeremy Benna Jonah Berger Luke Bergmann **Gregory Bernard**









Rupa Bhatia Shipley Billhimer Theola Blocker David Birks Mikey Bogan



Mr. Norm Stant





Erin Bowers Arianne Boylan **Emily Brewster** Mac Brodt Tanay Brown



Mrs. Linda Wolf



Aubrey Bruggeman Dwayne Bosby Heather Byrd Patrick Callahan Jamellah Carter

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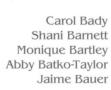








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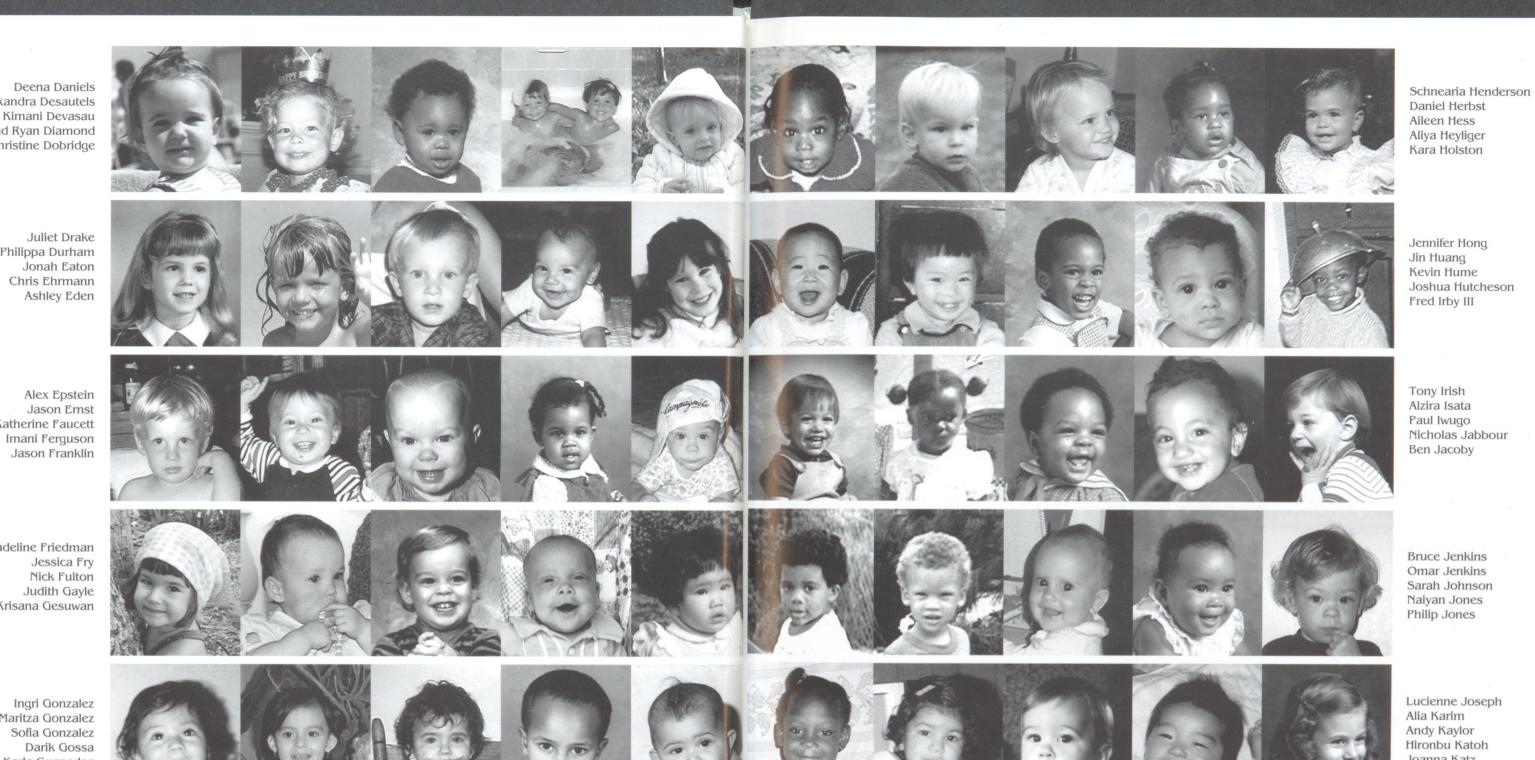
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Daniel Kaufman

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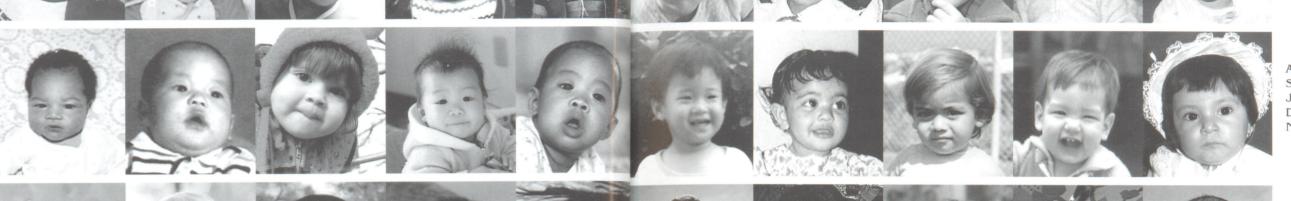
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Melinda Lloyd Anna Marie Lowery David Lott Alan Lum Beth Luselela



Dina Navarra Brien Nolan Shellie Nugent Esther Nunez Kevin Oakley

Ivan Lutchenkov David Ma Anna Mackler Jennifer Mallack Ellen Malone



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Yoshi Manale Rachel Mandel Namane Mansaray Alexia Martinez Zulma Martinez





Clara Mateo Jessica Mayorga Danny McBride Chris McCoy Meredith MCDaniel



Lisa Pineles Silvia Portillo Jessica Povtak Lily Raff Vincent Ray

Amanda McMenamin Tres McNair Sarah Meininger Andrea Merriam Mayco Mesa



Craig Readler Erik Reed **Bradley Renuart** Delmy Reyes Adriana Rodriguez

Olga Rostapshova Jose Rufino Lisa Rufino Laura Rummel Jessica Salvatore **Gregory Sanders** Rebecca Sandler Jake Schwartz Janah Schrieber Kate Schroll Daniel Schwab Laura Segovia Hope Shapiro Manu Sharma Jessica Shin Amanda Simson Karin Singman Maria Somarriba Katrina Sostek Lisa Soutar Ethan Spalding Jessy Sribnick Cherdine Stanford Sarah Stella Kathy St. Hill

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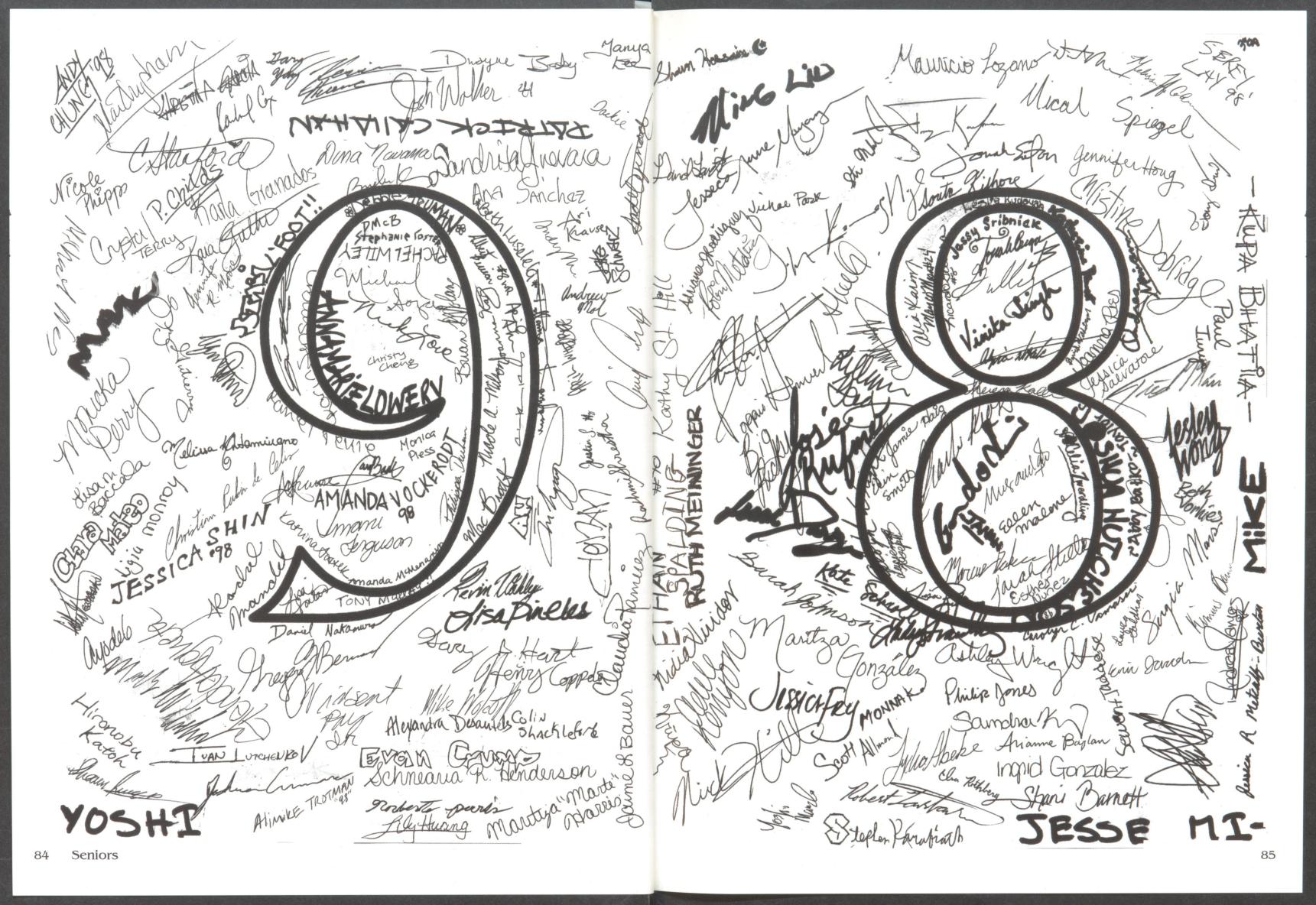
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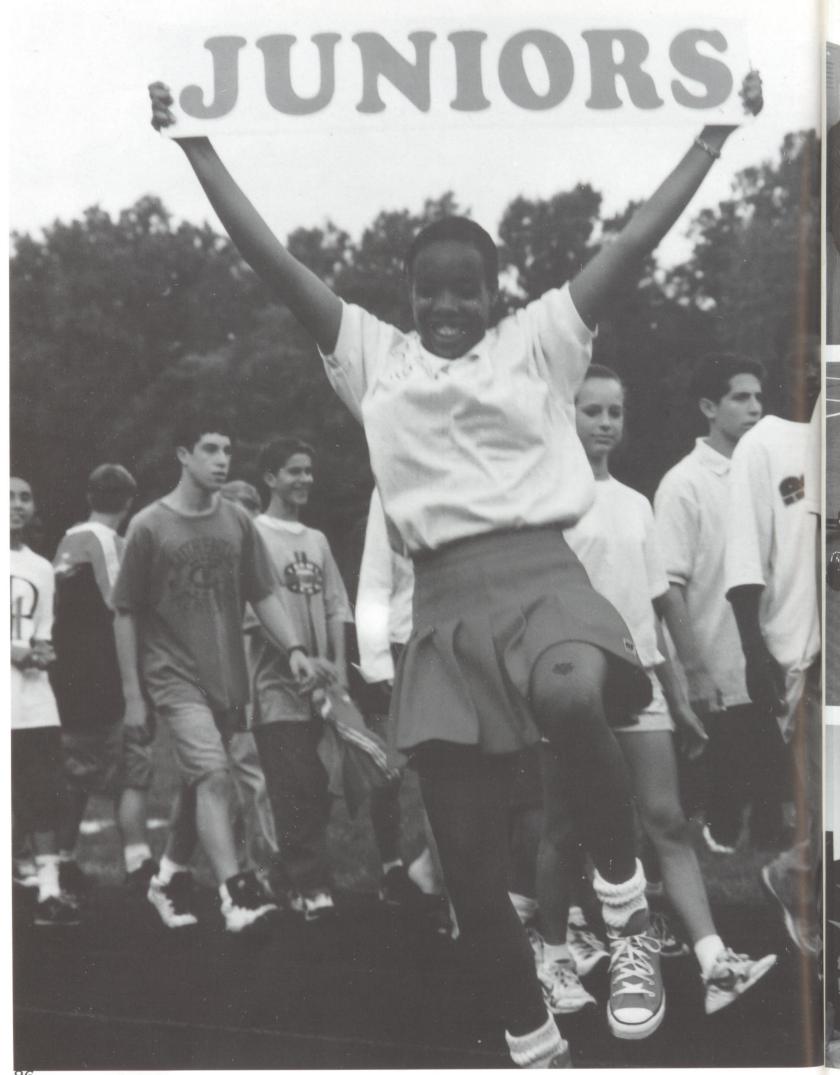
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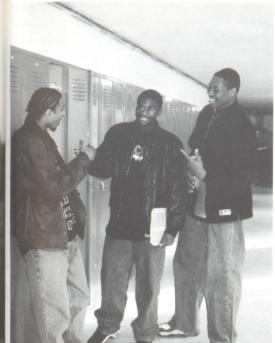
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What New Class Do You Want at Blair?

"We should have Driver's Ed at Blair- we'd save alot of money and it would be more convenient"

"I'd take a martial arts class if we had one. It teaches defense and discipline"

-Kemi Akinjiola

-Borithy Heng

"Hyper Text Mark-Up Language- it's a class that creates web pages using that computer language. You can make alot of money creating web pages"

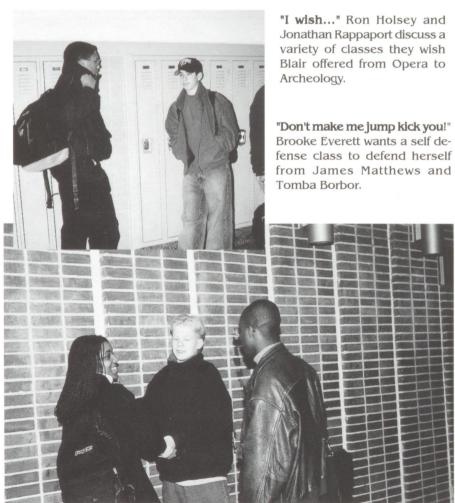
-Ethan Strike

"Blair needs a sign language class because there are alot of hearing impaired people we can't talk to, so if we learned, we could"

-Persis Yu

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

-Hans Moore





























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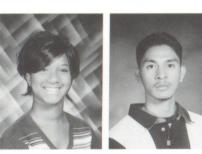












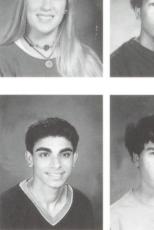


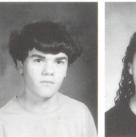


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Miguel Brito Kizzie Brown Anna Browne Omar Bruce **Nancy Brutus** Sergio Bryant Michael Bouckhout White Julia Buergler Kiet Bui

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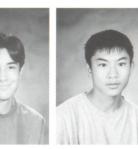


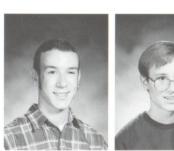


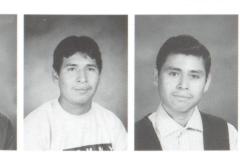










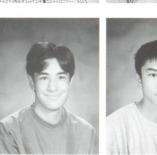


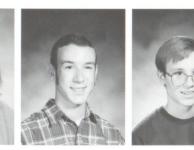














Leno vs. Letterman

So, which late night talk show host do you watch?

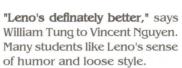
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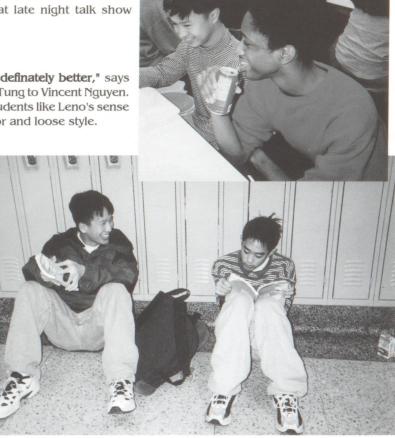
2. Leno

3. Other/Neither 26%

35%

"Letterman's jokes are comy, says Hoa Ho to Gyasi Khafra. Many students like to make cracks at late night talk show







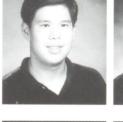


















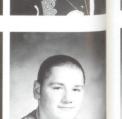




























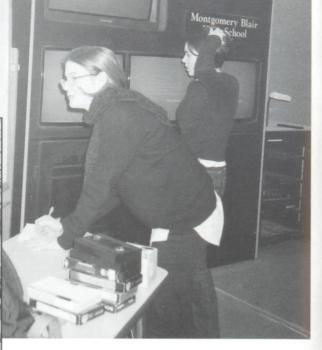






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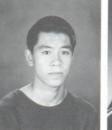




"Shouldn't we be at lunch right now?" Sarah Giovanniello asks ENG class companion Sara Paul as she grabs a handful of hair in a moment of stress. The pressure of school fell hard on the eleventh graders preparing for mid-terms.

"Just takin' a break..." Junior Joe Prebble steps outside to the student parking lot to gather his thoughts after a morning full of classes.











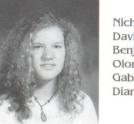
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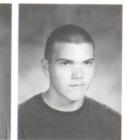
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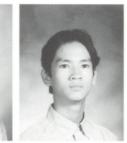


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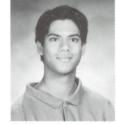




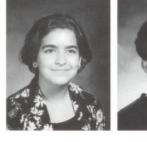


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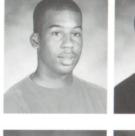


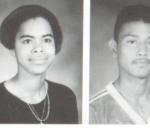














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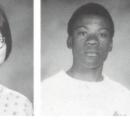


























Manish Gala Glenda Garay John Genau Leandro Gico Sarah Giovanniello Krystal Glenn

If I had A million dollars...

"I'd buy a plane and take 500 girls with me to the Bahamas."

-Jack Genau

"I would buy all my friends and I pink Cadallac's"

-Erica Reeves

"First I'd buy a killer whale and store him in a BIG water tank in my backyard. Then I'd buy a saddle and some water gear so I could go riding."

-Rameez Abbas

I would take all my money and move far, far away from here

-Dionysia Young

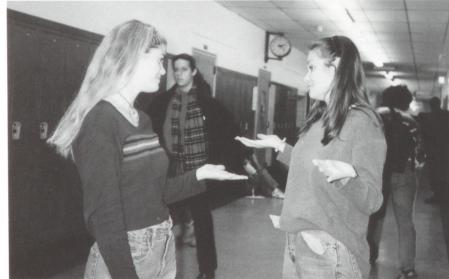


"I'd set my mom up in a sweet condo and buy her a black Mercades E-Class with bullet proof windows (she's always wanted one of those.)"

-Natheer Kareem

"Hey, you got that loot?" Quentin Thomas and Alex Mendoza combine their money for lunch.

"Show me the oney!" Laura Holloman tries to mooch money off Loida Morales. Unfortunately lunch and other daily expences left many students broke.





























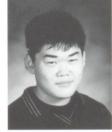








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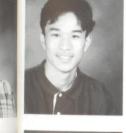






















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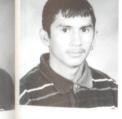




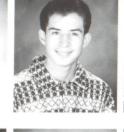






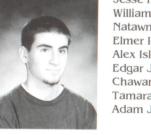




















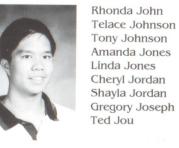














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Ariel Levis Sean Lewis Valerie Lewis Christopher Li Elinor Lichtenberg Grace Lin Ruth Lin Christopher Lindsay Matthew Linzer

Leia Listou **Emilie Littlehales** Reina Lizama Jeannifer Lopez Joseph Lott III MIchelle Loutoo **Bret Lowe Heather Lowe** Servio Luna

Mark Lundquist Benjamin Lutkoski Bennett Madison Anh Mai Michael Maire Bonnie Man Ani Manichaikul Lina Mansilla Rafael Maravilla

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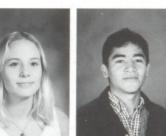








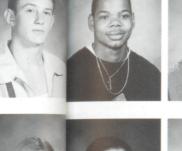










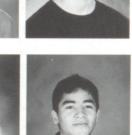




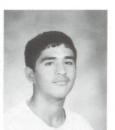






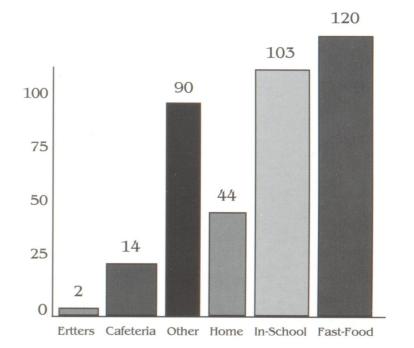








Where to eat?



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

Last but not least...Greg Weiss, Mike Mussenden, John Reida, and David Schaerdel stand in line at Ertter's market, a perenial favorite for everyone.





























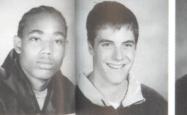












When Blazers aren't busy with projects...



Break it down, Blazer! The school mascott boogies down to the sound of the Fabulous Hubcaps the night before homecoming.

Who knew he could dance? Latrisha Washington catches her breath after a brief tango with actor Ben Stein at the Alumni Homecoming dance.





























Grace Morgana Natania Morrissey Nadline Morsha-Taylor Barry Mott II Turnberry Mouhon Aniel Mundra







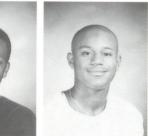




























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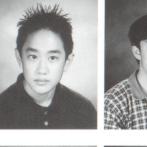












Quan Nguyen Thanh Nguyen Thi Nguyen Thomas Nguyen Vincent Nguyen David Ni



























Grace Nieh Benjamin Norkin Gregory Novick Albert Nunez Kelvyn Nunez Demitria Nyamweya

Jewels We've Picked Up

"I've learned to stay calm with teachers you don't like. If you don't like your boss, you've already learned to just

- Angela Grosjean

"No procrastinating, because if you do it you will end up doing nothing." - Bradley Buron

"I'm taking child development and it helps you for baby-sitting because you understand the kids better. It'll also be helpful if I have my own kids someday." - Diana Minda

"Getting along with different kinds of people because there's so many different kinds..."

- Kemi Akinjiola

"Probably how to grit your teeth and just bear it and to know it's all going to be okay."

- Nora Achrati



'Then I do what?" Jose Herrera confers with Alex Ordonez before class. It's important to learn early that your nearest friend can be a great tutor.

I can't wait! Dressed up and ready to go, Kadija Koroma and Shelby Randolph compare incredible weekend plans. Life lessons learned here in high school have taught them to seize the

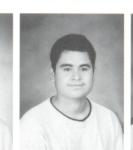


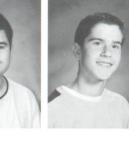




















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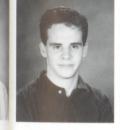
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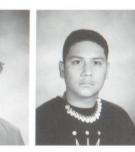












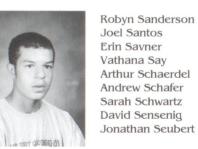


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Twain Shields Kirubel Shimelles Yosef Shimels Crystal Shrestha Puthyda Sin Alicia Singer Benjamin Singer Reshma Singh Matthew Smith

Olivia Smith Romaine Smith Dorian Snowden Maritza Solano Sumanto Som Jennifer Song Tiffany Sorensen Priscilla Sorrell Melia Soumah

Claire Stedman Daniel Stegmeier Rachel Stewart Charles Stitt Ioana Stoica Howard Stone Elgen Strait Ethan Strike Chi Su

Anne Sutkoff Sokun Taing Dima Taweel Gionathan Tecle Veronique Tentokolo Rattha Tep Luam Tesfaye Ransford Tetteh **Richard Thomas**

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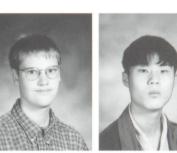




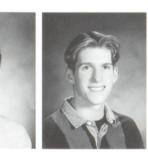


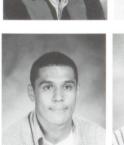


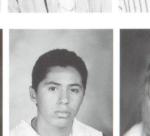




















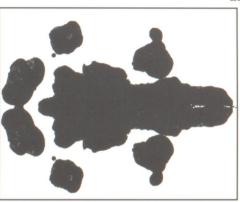


"What do you mean tell me what I see? It's just a blot of

-Joe Hatton

"It kind of looks like the top of a brain. The midddle's the stem and the out lying area's where the five senses take place.

-Llyoda Morales



"I think I see underwater plankton and algae floating

-Shafeeza Alli

"I see someone crouching with their hands over their head."

-Frank Poku

Happy happy joy joy! Chilling at lunch, Glender Paniguez carefully explains to Randy Curtis that the jounx doesn't look like a racecar, but Stimpy smiling.

Spotting Bigfootl Laughing over their notebooks, Maritza Solano tells her sophomore friend that the inkblot looks like an sideways footprint.



















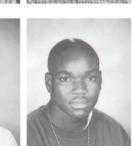


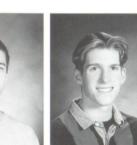






















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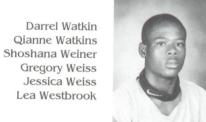
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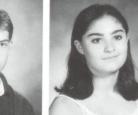






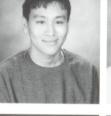










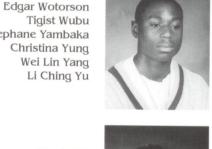


























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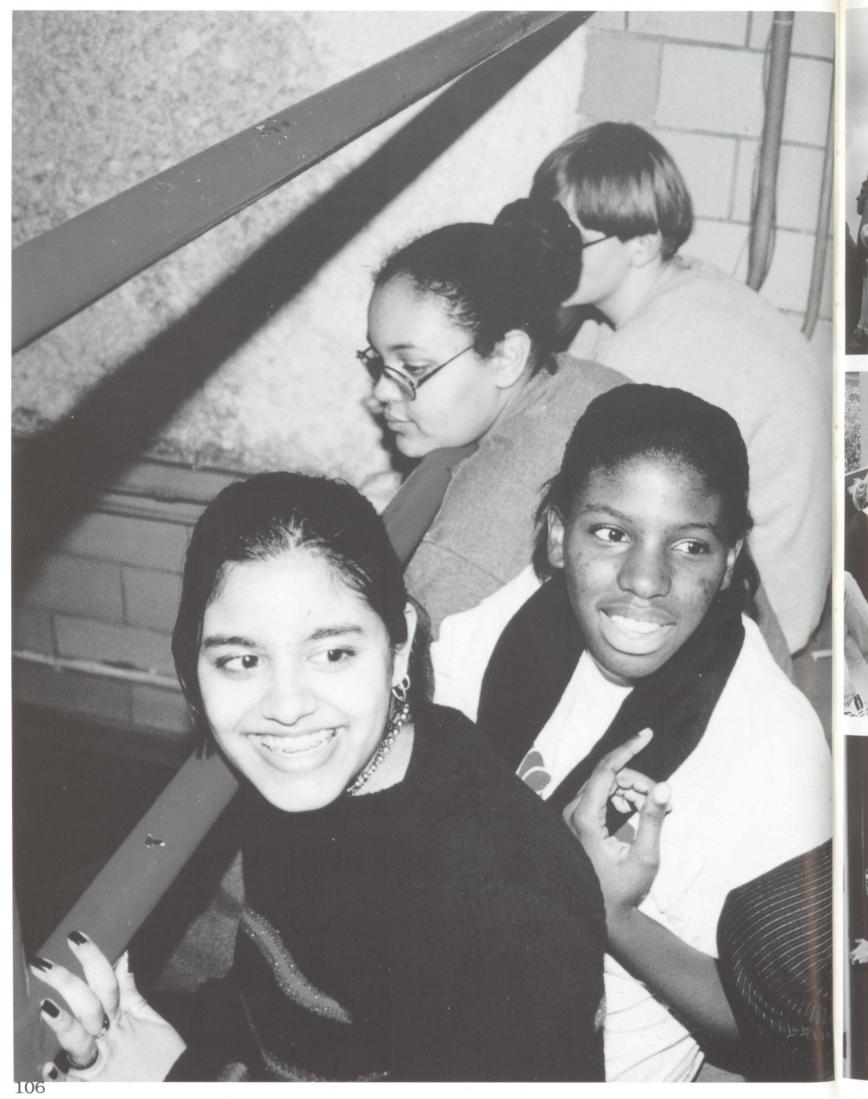


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James Page Renata Petricova Sabina Ramroop **Ebony Rice** Ean Rollins David Ruen **Humberto Ruiz** Ramon Sankar Tiffiny Shaw **Bethel Shemondy** Lonell Slye Terrell Smith Zarkpa Sobah Ramon Sola Tsemona Solomon Augusta Vandy Alicia Vasquez Ricardo Villars Jarvis Ward Ishmael Williams Nicholas Williams Earl Wilson **Aaron Wolf**







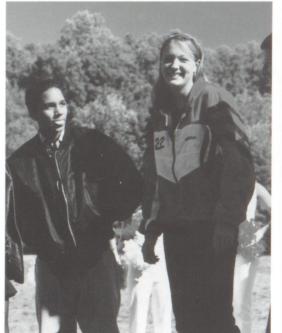






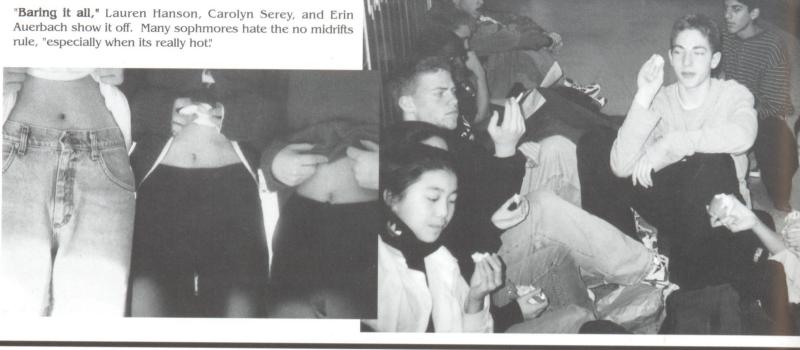








"Food Fight!" Ted Mann prepares to toss the leftovers of his sandwich at fellow classmen Grace Chen. Most sophmores are not lucky enough to go out for lunch forcing them to eat in the hallways which is yet another no, no according to administration.





"Remove the hat!" From a distance, a security guard yells out to a student while he attempts to buy a soda. The "no hat" rule was a bummer for many students, especially those who were having bad hair days or needed a hat to compliment their attire.

If you could change any rule at Blair, what would it be?

"People should be able to have walkmans before and after school and after lunch."

-Brooke Burrows-Gray

"We shouldn't have to go outside for classes, that includes portables."

-Tanesha Green

"I hate that no eating lunch in the halways except for snacks rule"

-Sokhan Min

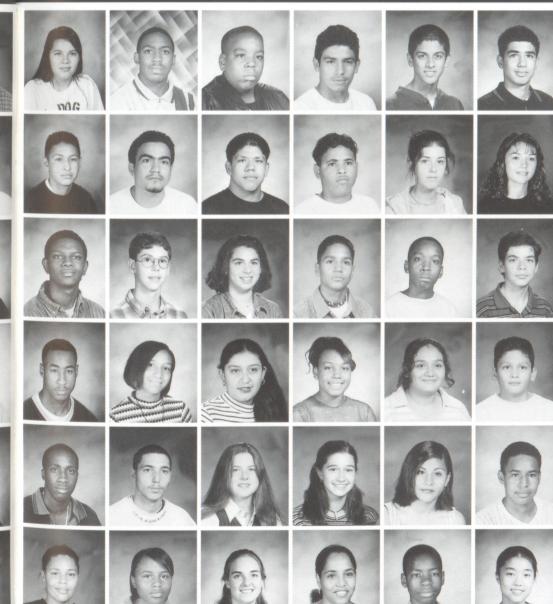
"The no hat rule, that's a dumb rule."

-Stacey Trock

"I hate that when its really hot you can't wear midrifts." -Beth Compa

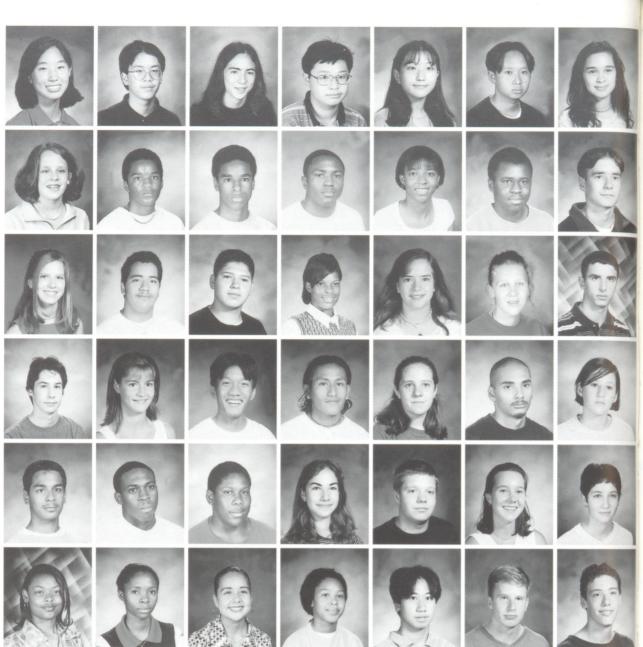
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Mimi Chough Gary Chow **David Choy** Caleb Chu Jinah Chung Phap Chung Christina Clark Lauren Claudio Andre Cobb Nicholas Cobb Selasie Cofie Danielle Coggins Ramsey Coggins Joel Collins Elizabeth Compa **Aristides Contreras Aristides Contreras** Sonja Cooke Jennifer Cooper Rebecca Coppola **Alexis Courtois** Rory Cowal Nicole Craver Allan Cuadra Antonio Cuba **Erin Cummins Kester Cuthbert** Adriana Cutler Jaydip Dalal Shomari Daley Ryan Daniel Eva Daryabeygi David Dayhoff Kelly Deckelman Thea Delage Courtney Demps Kerline Derose Carolina Diaz Cassandra Digby Bac Dinh Peter Downey Kevin Dragotta





Alexandra Druhan **Hugo Dubon** Marla Dunn Vanessa Dunn Indira Dyal Jeremy Eaton Isabelle Ebongue Jeffrey Edelstein Olivia Edwards Doreen Efeti Angela Ellsworth Darin Elmore Sophea Em **Gregory Encarnaction** Jascha Ephraim Elizabeth Epstein Semra Ergun Jessica Esperanza Dera Ariel Evans Hakim Evans **Tiffany Evans** Michael Eyassu Michael Fan Serene Fanfair Sean Fanning Maura Feely Kohl Remigiusz Ferenc Violet Fernandes Juan Fernandez Myra Figueroa Alexis Fletcher Troy Fletcher Henry Flores Irene Flores **Nury Flores Tomas Flores** Mark Forrer Christopher Foushee Ariel Fox Floyd Francis Carlos Francisco David Freeman

Oprah, Rosie, or Ricki?

It's the battle of the talk shows and Oprah Winfrey, Rosie O'Donnell and Ricki Lake are at the top of sophomores list. Among these three, who do sophomores prefer the most?

Oprah 13%
Rosie 30%
Ricki 35%
Other 20.5%
Those who love all three 1.5%



"ShhhI Not while I'm watching Rosiel" wispers Seyha Lay while watching her favorite talk show. She is one of the many sophomores who prefers to watch Rosie instead of the many other talk shows that are out there.



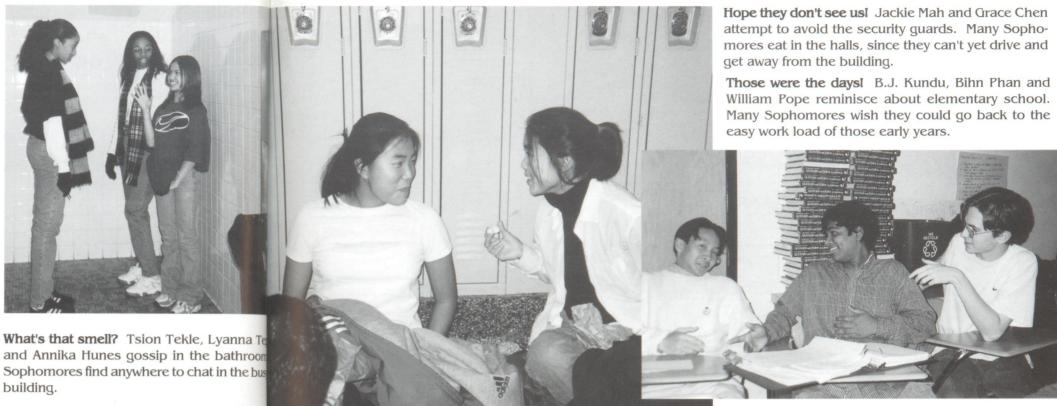


"How can you watch Ricki?" asks Lyanna Tep, an Oprah fan, during lunch to her friend Carina Rerngsamai, who enjoys Ricki more so than Oprah.

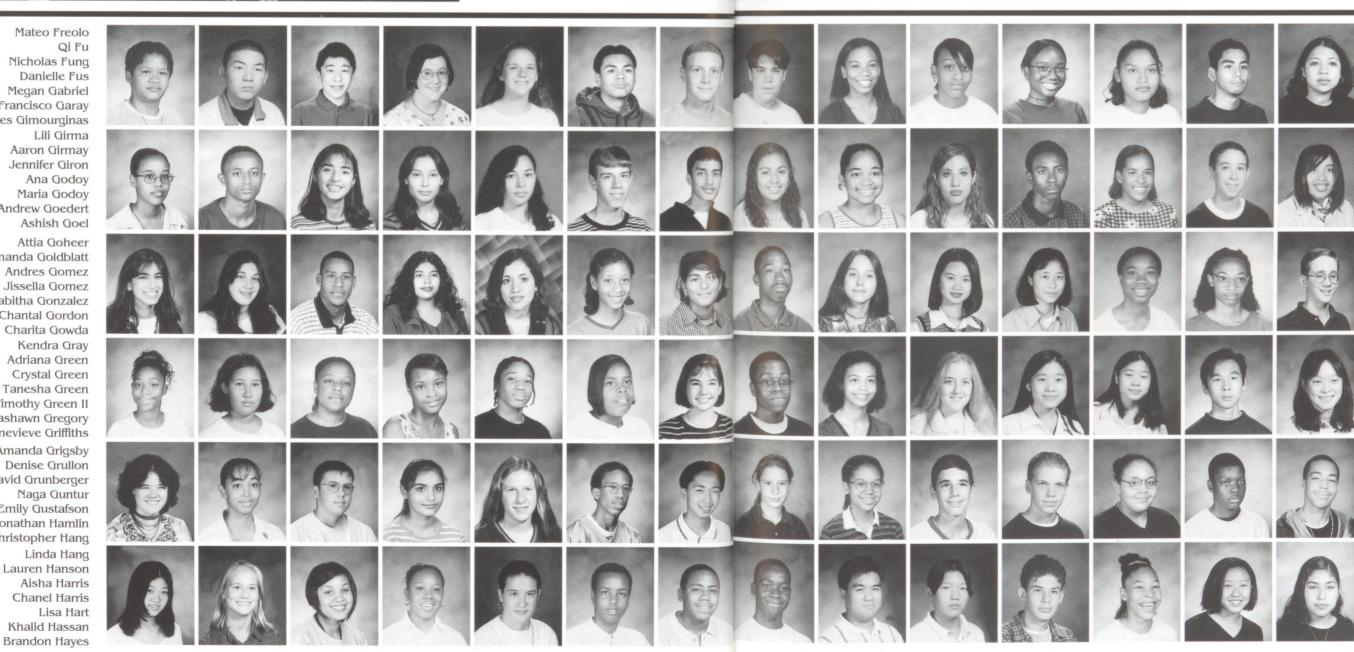
"Ricki's guest were buggin' yesterday!" exclaims Alyssa Walker while laughing to her friend Nadia Samuel. Ricki is the most popular talk show host among sophomores.

Look at those little kids! Kurosh Hashemi and Ben Lozovsky laugh at the freshmen walking by. By Sophomore year, students are usually very excited that they are not the youngest in the school.





Mateo Freolo Qi Fu Nicholas Fung Danielle Fus Megan Gabriel Francisco Garay James Gimourginas Lili Girma **Aaron Girmay** Jennifer Giron Ana Godoy Maria Godoy Andrew Goedert Ashish Goel Attia Goheer Amanda Goldblatt Andres Gomez Jissella Gomez Tabitha Gonzalez **Chantal Gordon** Charita Gowda Kendra Gray Adriana Green Crystal Green Tanesha Green Timothy Green II Rashawn Gregory Genevieve Griffiths Amanda Grigsby Denise Grullon David Grunberger Naga Guntur **Emily Gustafson** Jonathan Hamlin Christopher Hang Linda Hang Lauren Hanson Aisha Harris Chanel Harris Lisa Hart Khalid Hassan



Steven Helfand Teree Henderson Ida Hendrix Nikeisha Henry Claudia Hernandez Leonard Hernandez Racquel Hemandez Martha Hemandez Kelli Herod Jasmin Herrera John Herring India Higgins Ari Hirschhorn Aieda Hopkins Wendell Horton Rose Howard Yenvy Hua Susan Huang Kishma Ali Huggins Annika Humes Thomas Hunsicker Jr Maurice Hunter Rachael Hurd Gillian Hurley A Huvnh Addie Huynh Bao Duy Huynh Christine Hwang Sarah Iams Monique Isaac Jeffrey Israel Alexei Ivanov Rugiatu Jabbie Shiek Jack Sidney Jackson Abdulai Jah Joel Jang Joon Ho Jang John Jaramillo Tameka Jenkins Anna Jeong Gladys Jimenez

Excuses, Excuses!

"An upperclassman kidnapped me!"

-Kate Tinnesand

"The bell rang before I got here..."

-German Miranda

"I was being interviewed for the yearbook." -Ariel Alvez-Moats

"Somebody broke into my locker. I had to go to security."

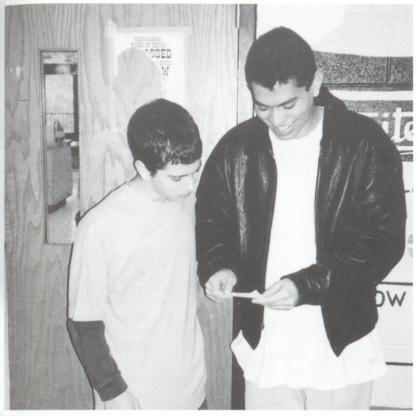
-Luis Reyes

"I'm pigeon-toed. I can't walk fast."

-Rodney Brookins



Do not pass go. Collect one detention slip. Je Edelstein does all he can to bargain with security Many sophomores miss the leniency they got a freshmen.

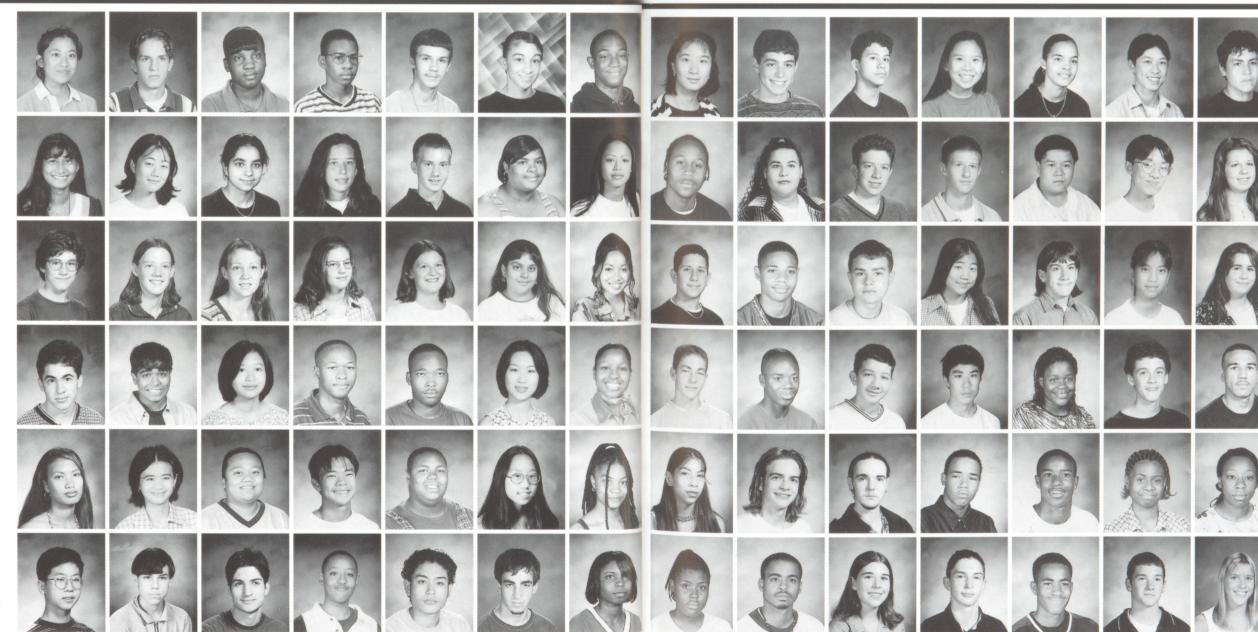


"Do you think he'll go for it?" Kurosh Mehran asks senior Ashley Wright, checking the validity of his late note.

"Maybe they'll give me a pass," thinks Paola Nazati. A sick pass was always a sure thing.



Sinta Mae Jimenez Blake Johnson Karla Jones Kevin Jones Matthew Jones Tiffany Jones Clemon Joseph Celia Kanhai Aiko Katoh Mini Kaur Julia Keister Brian Kelly Nicole Kennedy Angela Keo Alex Khripin Adam Kielman Carly King Margaret King Amy Knesel Namita Kothary Somarita Kou Jesse Kovach Biswajit Kundu Monica La **Brignol Lacroix** Louis Lacroix Yun Ling Lai Quianna Lawrence Heang Lay Sakhouy Lay Seyha Lay Ky Le April Le Grand Anne Lee Khalia Lee Stephen Lee Benjamin Legarreta John Legato Ermias Legesse Elias Leiva Elliot Levy Kathleen Lewis



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 Nadege Marc Jeremy Marcus Ramon Marte Jazmin Martinez Maxwell Massa Geoffrey Mastbrook Dennis McCall II Orlando McCalla Calencia McCrae Kristy McEachin Stavawn McFadden Brandon McGee Lea McIntosh Scott McKelvy Randol McKenzie Simon McNiece Tiffany Medlin

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What's Your Curfew?

Many parents set restrictions on our lives that can seem quite unfair. We asked Sophomores what their curfews are and the results are in:

5% have to be home before dark

3% have to be home by 9:00

2% have to be home by 9:30

7% have to be home by 10:00

3% have to be home by 10:30

12% have to be home by 11:00

5% have to be home by 11:30

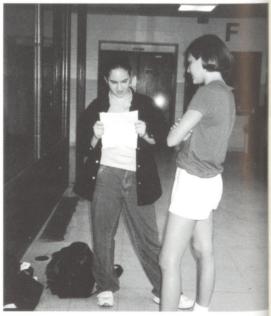
14% have to be home by midnight

2% have to be home by 12:30

3% have to be home by 1:00

7% can to be home after 1:00

37% have no curfew



"Can you believe what Lauren did last night?" asks Vanessa Dunn while Semra Ergun reads about their mutual friend's adventure. Many students wrote notes detailing their adventures breaking curfews.



"Shouldn't you be eating?" Daivd Moreno sleeps through lunch after staying out late the previous night. Many students have flexible curfews so they can stay out late with their friends.

Nguyen Quang

Kwami Nudomesi

Patrick O'Connor

Mayowa Ogunsanya

Josephine Nwachukwu

Victor Nichols

Diana Nolan

Maria Nunez

Rosario Ocas

Tomoya Ohno

Natalie Okoroji

Natasha Oliver

Kyle Orland

Maria Ortado

Emma Ortega

Rachana Oza

James Paen

Rigens Paen

Danny Pan

Xiaoxi Pan

Elsy Parada

Aileen Park

Arny Perez

Cidel Peters

Dang Pham

Charise Philip

Melanie Pilgrim

Binh Phan

Sisun Phu

David Pietz

James Parker

Christopher Pearson

Robert Palmer

Jason Ott

Akhilomen Oniha Michael Orellana

Olakunle Olaitan Dayo Olaiya

Amy Oden

Sarah Oh

Peter Okolo

Zakia Nor

"Did you hear about last night's party?" asks Katie Tinnesand to her friend Emily Gustafson. Some parties last all night because some lucky students don't have curfews.

Kathryn Platky Rashard Pleasant William Pope Carlos Portillo Sophia Potapov Travis Price **Boaz Prince** David Quintanilla Xiomara Quinteros Gretchen Raff Michael Ragusa **Ezequiel Ramos** Allan Rathbone Andreas Rauschecker Jessica Ray Mika Razakalalao Nicole Reed Natetriya Remgsamai Efrain Reyes Luis Reyes Keon Richards Alexander Ridore William Ries Alberto Rivas Romeo Rivera Stephanie Rivers Arimathea Roberts Alicia Robinson Jiacuy Roche Eric Rodriguez Heydi Rodriguez Neus Rodriguez Ryan Rogers Jose Romero Joeanie Rosado Guzman Stacey Roshan Jonathan Roy Shilpa Roy Jason Rubenstein Ariel Rubin Bruno Rubin De Celis Kenzig Rufino





Derrick Rush

Moncia Salas

Cara Salvatore

Edward Salwin

Nadia Samuel

Anita Sanchez

Luis Sanjurjo

Grace Santos

Maia Schweizer

Emma Sekuler

Carolyn Serey

Michael Shafrir

Tamara Shapiro

Katherine Sheldon

Danielle Shepherd

Meron Shewangezaw

Jaime Sheppard

Shem Sharma

Yueshu Shen

Eric Shang

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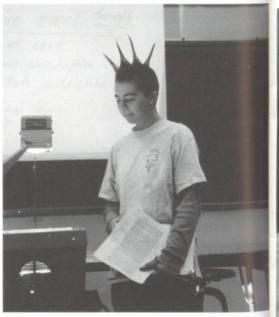
Dale Sams

Danielle Russell

Ashutosh Sahu



"Great game, huh?" Rachana Oza and Christine Hwang discuss some highlights of the intramurals hockey game. They were part of the large crowd that turned up for the first game of the season.



"Any question?" Maria Ortado finishes up her les son on the US courts system in her NSL class Sophomores have to start preparing for the Citizenship Test in January.



A moment of peace and silence... David Tran, Jeremy Aleen, Juniors Cuong Nguyen and Long Nguyen get away from the noisy cafeteria to enjoy the nice weather outside.

"Nice ballons!" Megan Campbell, Sonya Potapov and Gretchen Raff wish Christina Clark a happy fifteenth birthday. Balloons are a popular way for students to celebrate birthdays.

New School..New Adventures

"Just because the school changes places, doesn't mean we have to change too" -Angela Keo

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

"I think it's gonna be cool, because we finally get new bathrooms to vandalize."

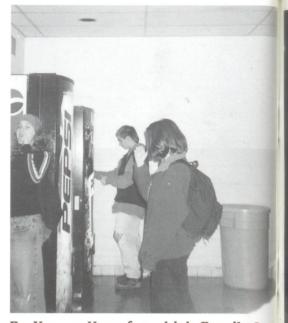
-B.J. Kundu

"I don't want to go, it's too modem. I like the charm of this Blair. no on else's school looks like ours does now. It has it's own style."

-Kelly Deckelman

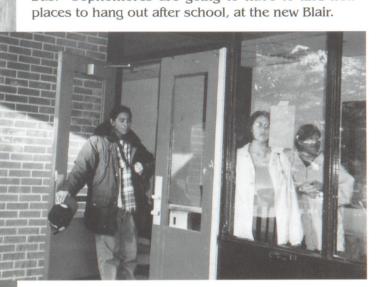
"There won't be a difference between juniors and freshmen. We're all gonna be lost, that bites!"

-Shinjini Mulcheriji



Be Young, Have fun, drink Pepsil Sear Stewart buys a soda from the pepsi machine during lunch. Although many students were sad to see the Coke products go, they are very glad that the new Blair will be better 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 a little more bearable until we move to the new one. Where is it? Alexis Mendoza waits at F-porch for his bus. Sophomores are going to have to find new places to hang out after school, at the new Blair.



Eyosias Solomon Tsemona Solomon Chenelle Soltau **Broderick Sorrell** Tamara Spiegel Kmali Stapleton **Amy Stewart** Sean Stewart **Emanuel Stockman** Neale Stokes **Anthony Stranges** Liyang Sun Mala Suon Bunheng Suong Tyren Sutton Kendra Tappin Julia Tate Akua Tay Henry Teage Lidiya Teferi Tsion Tekle Lyanna Tep Agitu Tesfaye Zachary Tessler Semhal Tewelde Shannon Thomas Aishah Thompkins Zane Thompson Terrell Thornton Derrick Thurston Kathryn Tinnesand Elizabeth Todd Ryan Tonkins Claudia Torres Kia Torres Benjamin Trahan Hong Tram Bill Dinh Tran Binh Tran David Tran Van Tran





Kadiatu Turay Olivia Tzou Augusta Vandy Gaelan Varn Luke Vawter Cecilia Ventura Silvia Viera Luis Villavicencio Karoly Viragh Alyssa Walker Joanna Walker Melissa Ward Franklin Ward Jr Duke Waressen Robert Washburn Latricia Washington Matthew Waymon Jacquese Weatherspoon Leah Weinzimer Lisa Weir Jessica Wheeler Daniel White India White **Chauncey Williams Etop Williams** Justin Williams Richard Williams Stephanie Williams **Ronald Willis** Yohanne Woldehawariat Alice Wong Lok Yun Wong Elizabeth Woodson Ke Xiao Jia Xu Philip Yam Qian Yang Anoi Yoh Xin Yu Yu Robel Zemichael Marini Ziegler Tokou Zoko

Marconja Zor Daniel Zytnick







You don't say! Ariel Alvez-Moats and Christina Clark talk in front of the auditorium about Blair's theatrical productions. Inside, those same productions have captivated audiences of all ages in forms of musicals, plays, 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 band has performed there too, with tantilizing and breath taking 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.

Look at that! Sophia Maksimovich, Adam Kielman, and David Choy talk and ponder of thier future, and past. What was it like when students first came to a new Blair on the out-skirts of Silver Spring; what will it be like next year? This common question evokes feelings of excitement, concern, and anticipaton in many, and in many, a sense of relief.

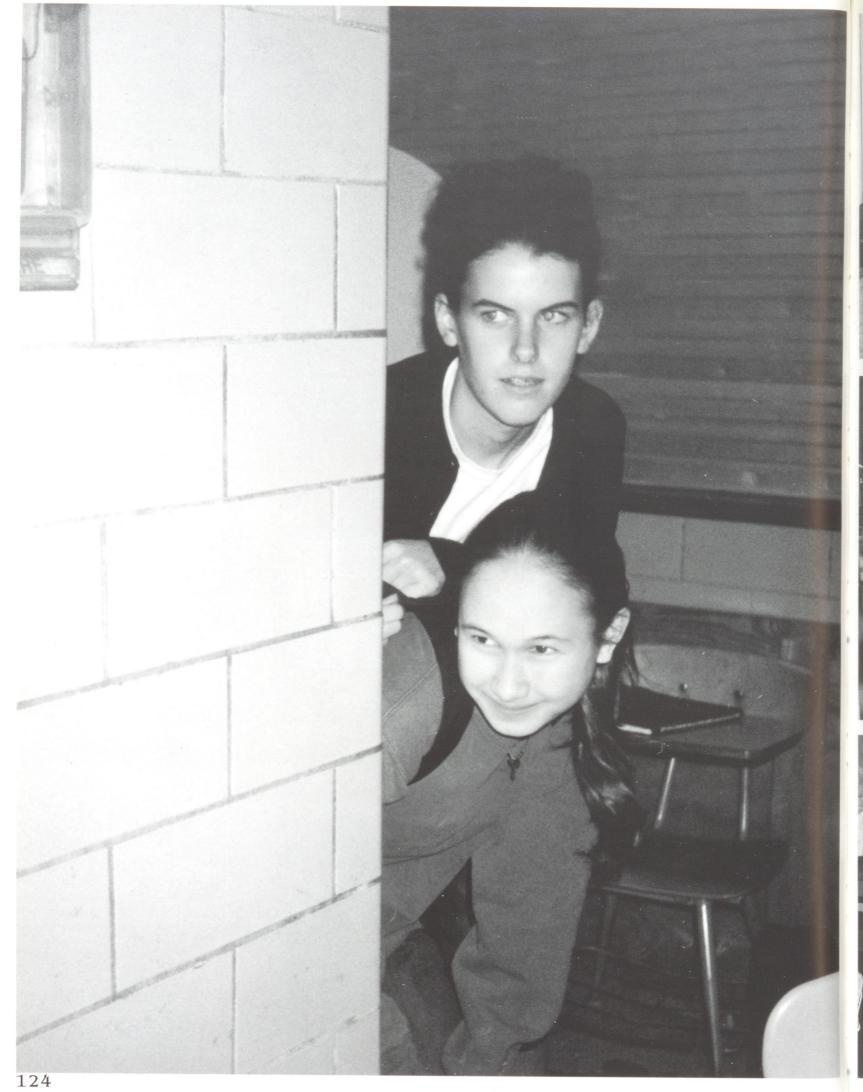
YUMI Jodi Min, Liselle Moses, and Kathryn Platky enjoy their lunch break on a C - hall floor. Many students enjoy the "open lunch" policy of our current school, where they have the choice of places to eat other then in our undersized cafeteria. At our new facility next year, the policy will change, much to the dismay of the students. Even with the administation claiming that their will be more then enough room in our new cafeteria for everyone to enjoy their lunch comfortably many students remain pessimistic.

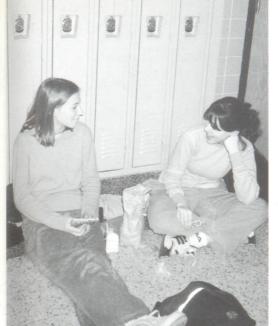
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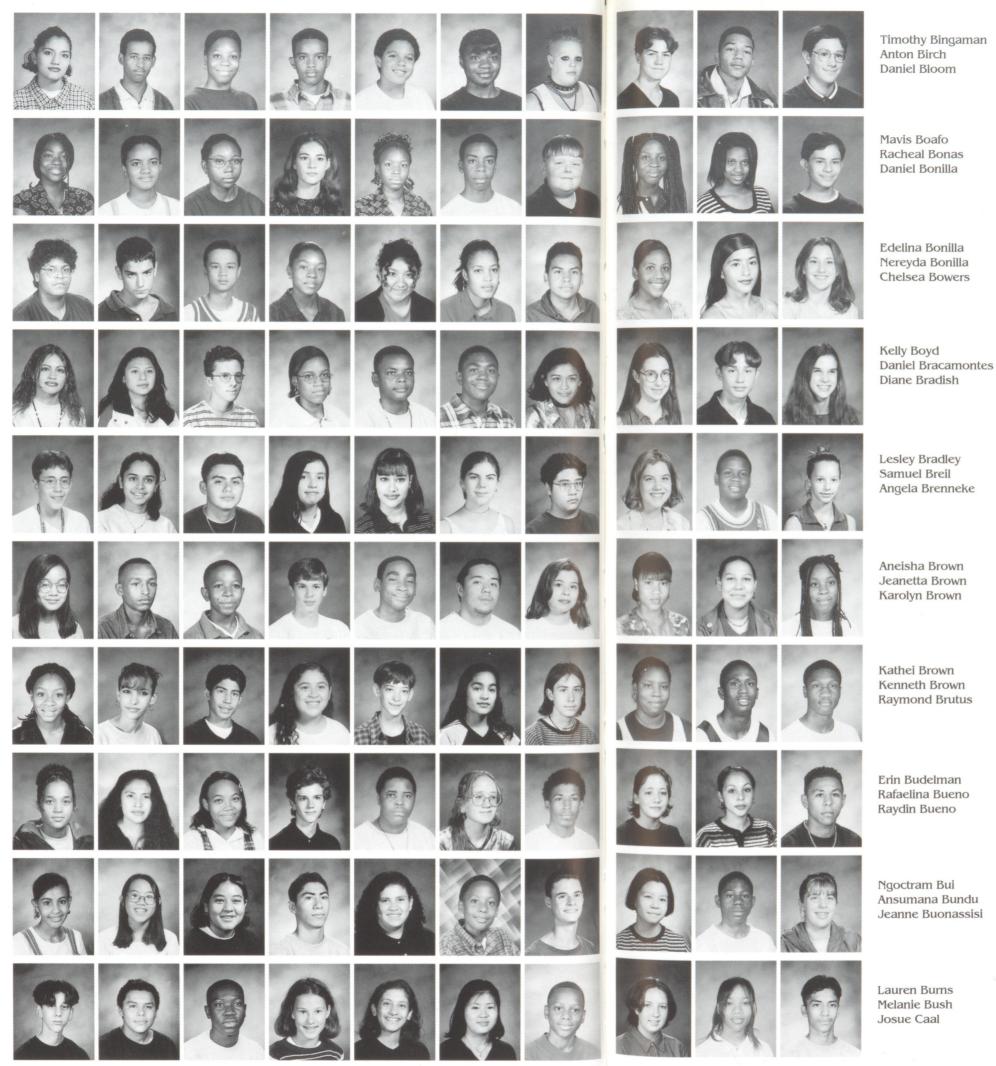








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What's the Positive Side Of Being a Freshman?

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

- Jose Moreno "The teachers give us easy assignments to do." - Nelly Quinteros

"No one bothers us. Whatever we do, people just say 'Oh, they're freshmen."

- Selin Mariadoss

"There's so many different after school sports and clubs to join."

- Sam Graur

"You feel like you're getting more mature, like you're getting a higher education."

- Shante Sewell





It's finally time for lunch. Stephanie Morris, Sindri McDonald, and Becca Wardgrey take advantage of open lunch.

"Do you want a snack?" Aleida Vividor hangs out by the snack machines after school, a favorite place for freshman.

Coke vs Pepsi

The biggest rivalry of all time has finally been settled.

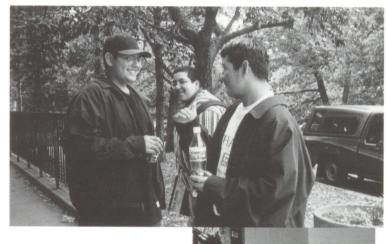
Here are the results:

Coke- 52%

Pepsi- 40%

Both- 1%

None-7%



"Get outta here!" Jose Moreno smirks at William Rivera for drinking Sprite. Coke is popular among students.

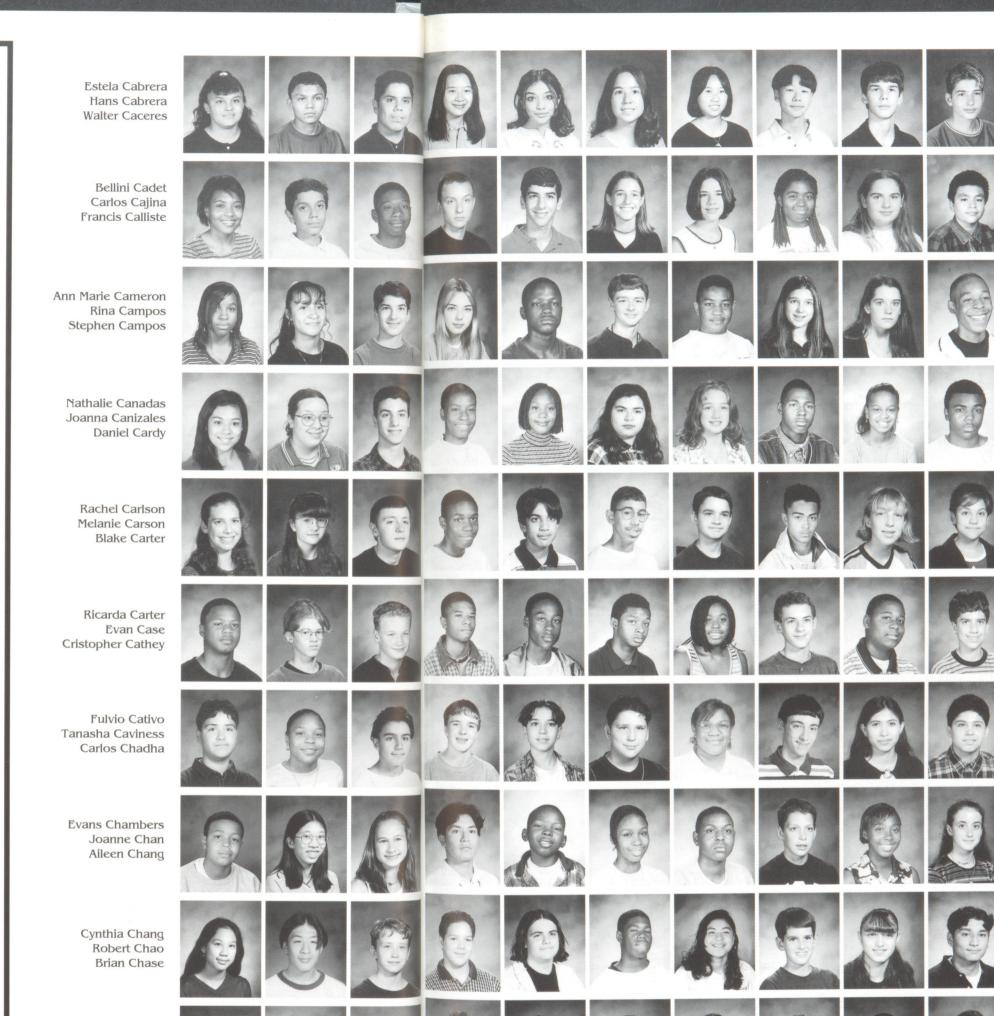
"Where's my money?" Living off Pepsi everyday at lunch, Brian Chase is the next generation Pepsi drinker. This year, all the coke machines have been replaced by Pepsi.



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Hoang Chi Sonali Chitre Sarah Choy

Katherine Chung

James Chuo

Daniel Church Edward Clark Andrew Cleverdon Bret Cohen

Melissa Cohen

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Erwin Corado Erin Corcoran

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Lindsay Crawford

Michael Crawford Krystle Criswell Tamreeka Cross

Marcus Cox

Sarah Cox

Yesica Cruz

Alexis Davis

Erin Cummings

Gary Cunningham

Christopher Davis Horatio Davis Anindya De Andrew Deen

Vahid Dejwakh

Daniel Deppner

Kerry Devlin Maria Diaz Antoine Diop Brian Dixon Harvey Dixon

Taleeta Dixon

Timothy Dooley

Loogens Dorval Alan Dunn

Nathan Eckstrand Benjamin Eiserike Joshua Elrich

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Michael Erhardt

James Ezeigwe

Claude Ferebee IV

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Benjamin Falk

Rena Fannoh Emma Feinstein

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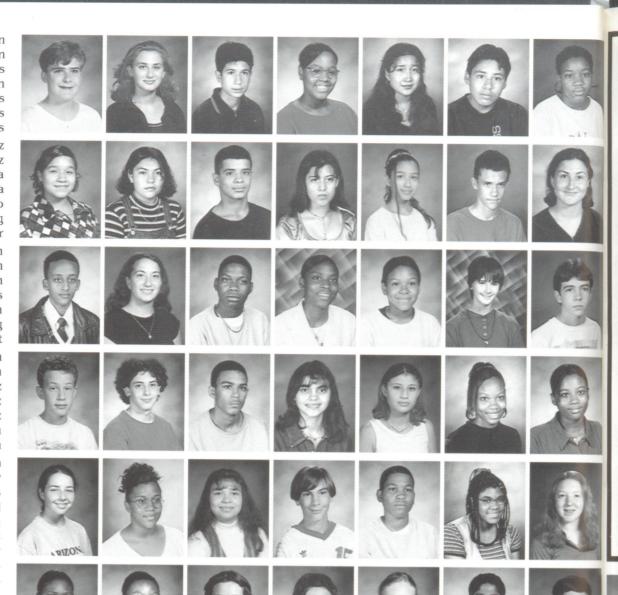
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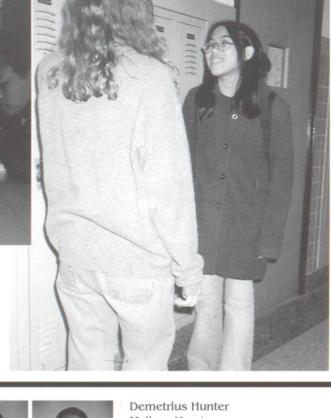


Time's running out...



What word goes here? Thanh Phan tries to finish up his vocab exercises before English class. Vocab books are a pain to many freshmen.

"Did you finish Romeo & Juliet last night?" Celeste Harvey and Bobbie Bencio discuss about their English reading.



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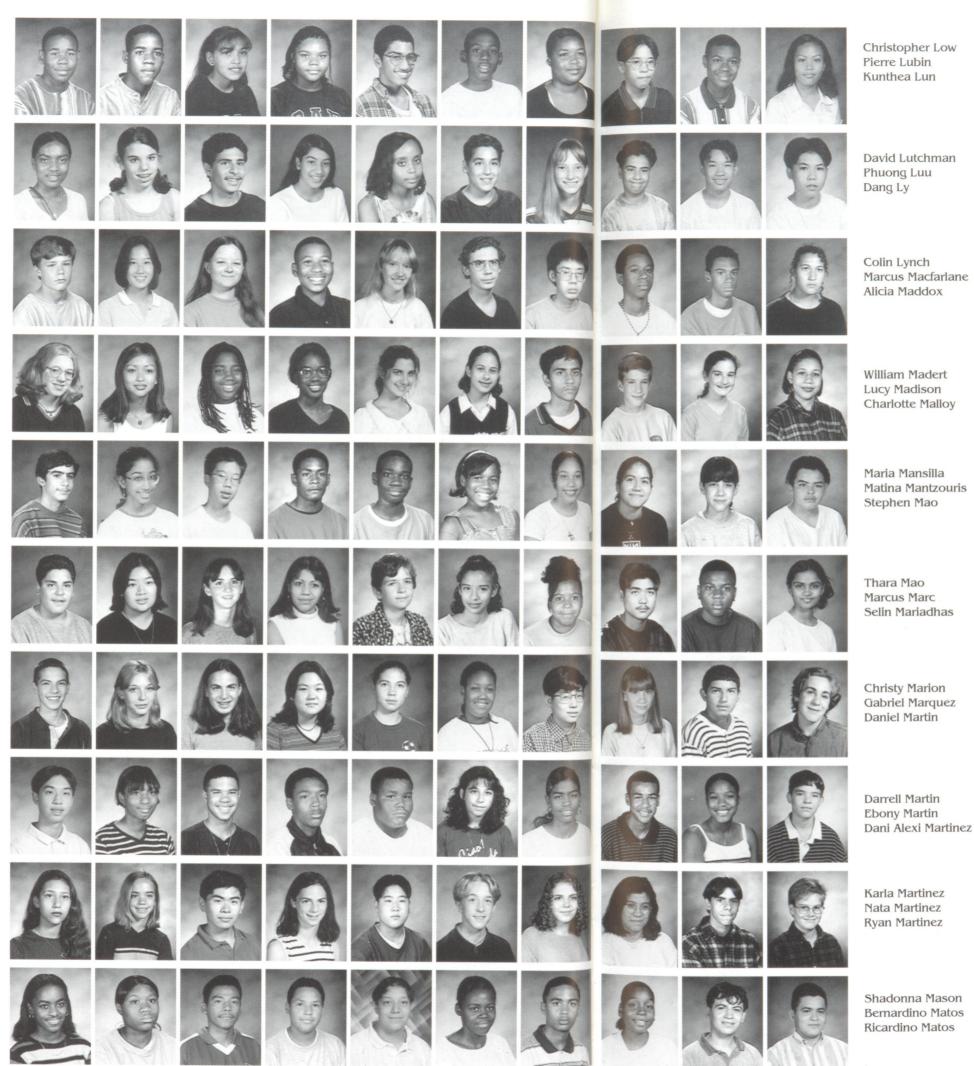
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Julius Loving



What's your worst NIGHTMARE?

"I have dreams that I'm going out with this faceless guy. When I go to kiss him, some groady face jumps out at me." -Michelle McNamara "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 creatures 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."

d -Amanda Isen





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

You might be a redneck if... Freshman Jeannetta Brown discusses her biggest phobia, hicktowns, with Eva Vauter in B-hall.

Rise & 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.	13%
3. 8:30 a.m.	11%
4. 9:30 a.m.	10%
5. 10:00 a.m.	6%























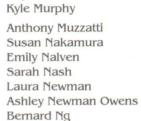












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Kathleen McDaniel Laura McDermott



Michelle McNamara

Philip McQuarrie

Cheryl Medrano

Barbara Mendez

Elizabeth Mendieta

William Mendoza

David Mervis

Emily Meyer

Steven Millard

Amanda Miller

Michael Miller

Tariku Minie

Archer Mitchell

Stephanie Moise

Yahya Mokhtarzada

Karen Molina

Oscar Molina

Anthony Millhouse

Claire Middleton

Batya Metalitz

Sandra Mendez















































































Yeah, yeah, I'm listening... Makia Wilson, Gina Campbell, and India McCree slowly lose the battle with sleep. Sometimes you just need those 40 winks in first period. How else could you make it through the

Nobody messes with me... Tammie McClung plots her revenge against the diabolical alarm clock that forced her to wake up this morning. Pounding it to death is always an option especially when you're feeling a little grumpy.

Tamara McClung Glenn McCoy Jose McDonald



















































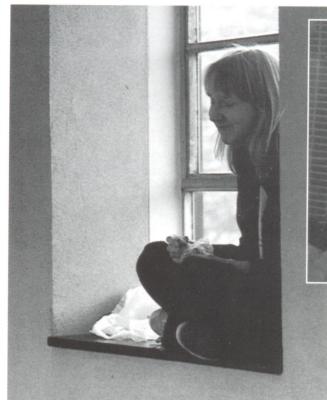








What a long day...



Carly Physioc

Beth Pineles

Ethel Poku

Angel Pinkard

Angela Pinkard

Lauren Poness

Althea Porter

Juan Portillo

Juver Portillo

Daniel Potts

Eli Pousson

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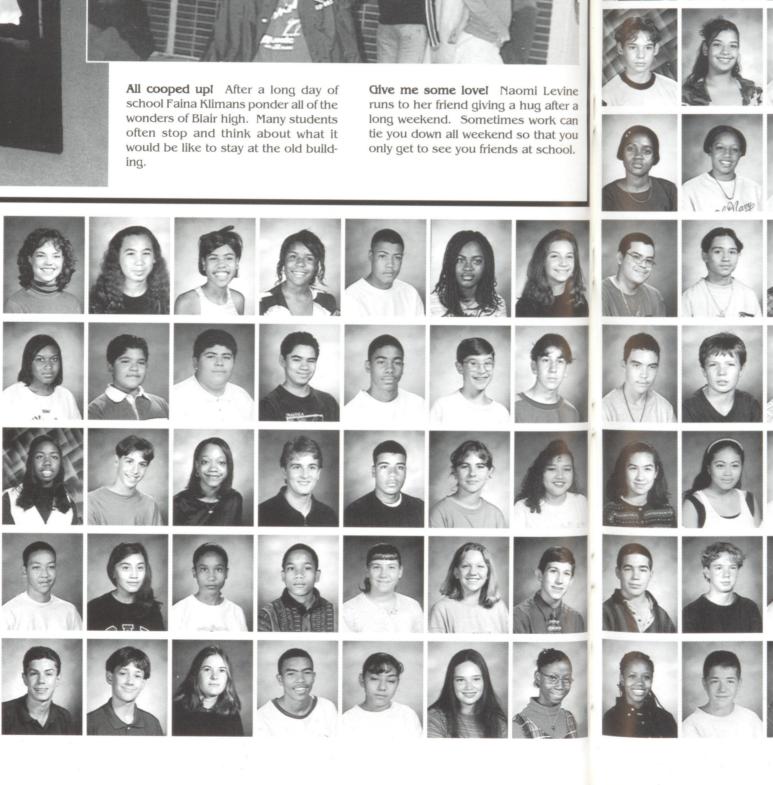
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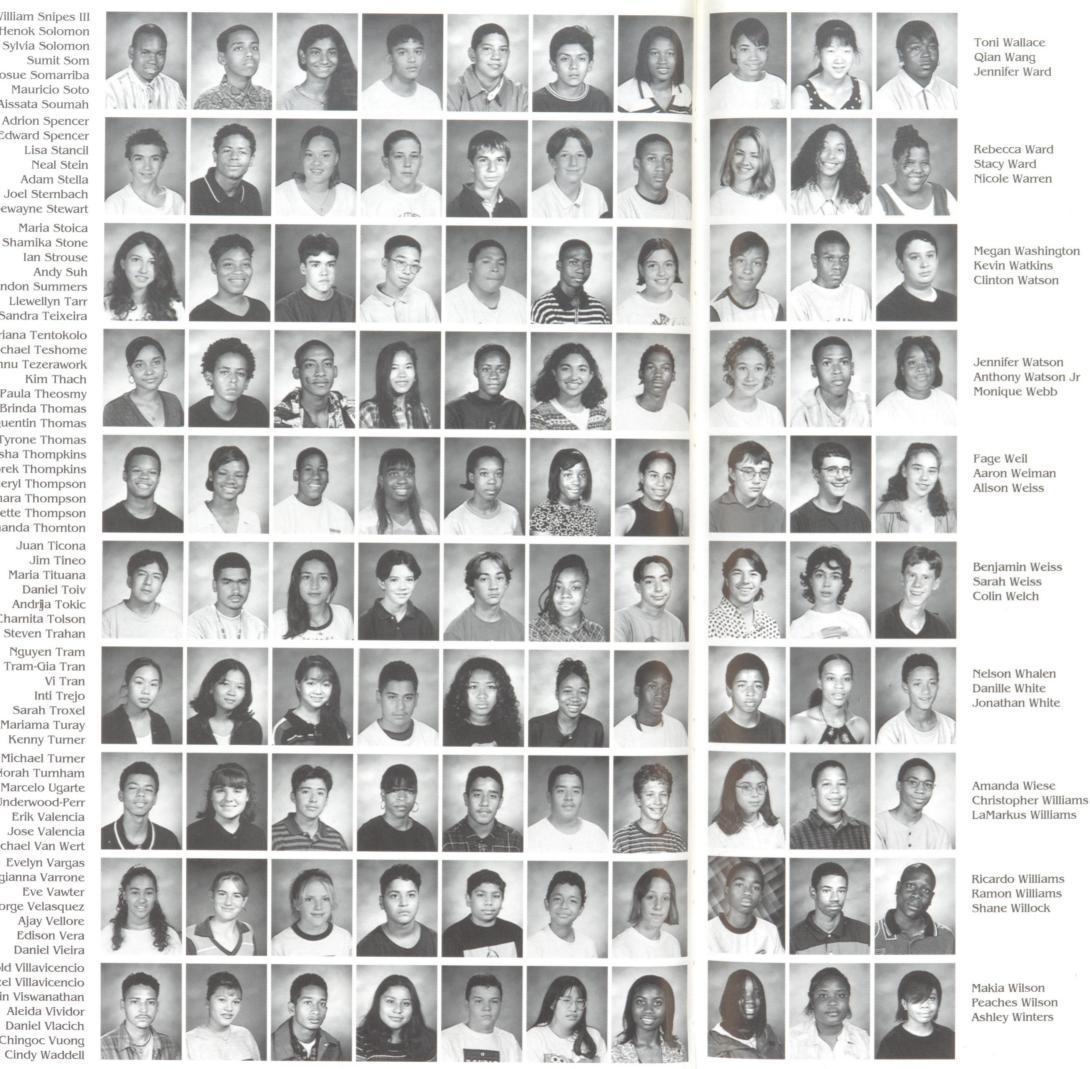
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William Snipes III Henok Solomon Sylvia Solomon Sumit Som Josue Somarriba Mauricio Soto Aissata Soumah Adrion Spencer **Edward Spencer** Lisa Stancil **Neal Stein** Adam Stella Joel Stembach Dewayne Stewart Maria Stoica Shamika Stone Ian Strouse Andy Suh **Brandon Summers** Llewellyn Tarr Sandra Teixeira Andriana Tentokolo Michael Teshome Berhnu Tezerawork Kim Thach Paula Theosmy Brinda Thomas **Quentin Thomas Tyrone Thomas** Tanisha Thompkins Torek Thompkins Cheryl Thompson Tamara Thompson Vonnette Thompson Amanda Thornton Juan Ticona Jim Tineo Maria Tituana Daniel Toiv Andrija Tokic Chamita Tolson Steven Trahan Nguyen Tram Tram-Gia Tran Vi Tran Inti Trejo Sarah Troxel Mariama Turay Kenny Turner Michael Turner Norah Tumham Marcelo Ugarte Shamara Underwood-Perr Erik Valencia Jose Valencia Michael Van Wert Evelyn Vargas Georgianna Varrone Eve Vawter Jorge Velasquez Ajay Vellore Edison Vera Daniel Vieira Harold Villavicencio Hazel Villavicencio Suvin Viswanathan Aleida Vividor Daniel Vlacich Chingoc Vuong



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 it seems very small." -Seigyung Kim

"It's good that we're moving next year, because just looking at this school makes me feel like the walls are going to fall in on us."

-William Kidd

"Blair is too small, and it definitly needs repairs."

-Cindy Waddell





Help Maria Stoica shows Julie Lindenberg how to do a problem, since the teacher is busy with one of the many other students.

No Pushing or Shoving Joanne Chan and Brenda Thomas talk as they cut through the courtyard. Some students don't always feel like being squeezed through crowded hallways.

Noah Wolf
Matthew Wolfe
Anthony Wong
Jessica Woodlock
Adaye Worku
Jerdon Wright
Nicole Wright
Kenneth Wu
Tara Wyckoff
Makeda Yimam
Peng Ying
Mitra Yousefi
Erica Yu
Steven Yu



Larte Zankli Jacob Zetino Chen Zhang Cuiyan Zhang









Dancing away those jitterbugs Adrian Smith, Anna Shultz, and Tony Muzzati excitedly prove that they have no problems with stage fright,

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



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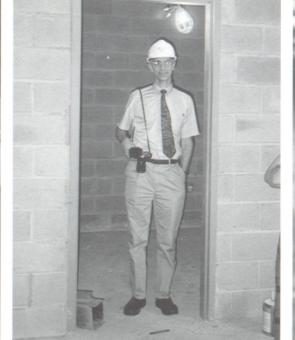
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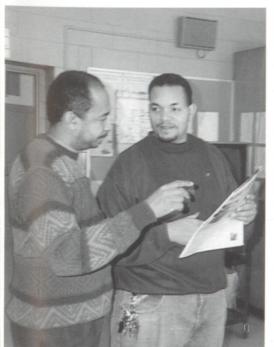


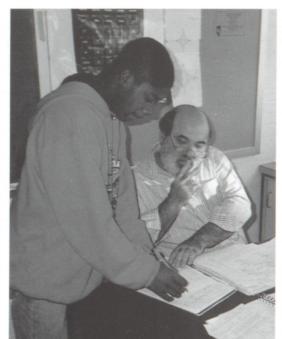














Teachers: Old & New

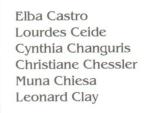






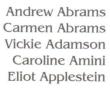






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Joseph Bellino

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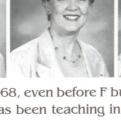


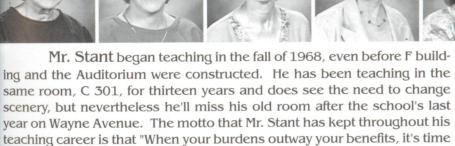


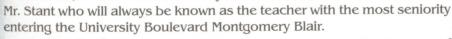












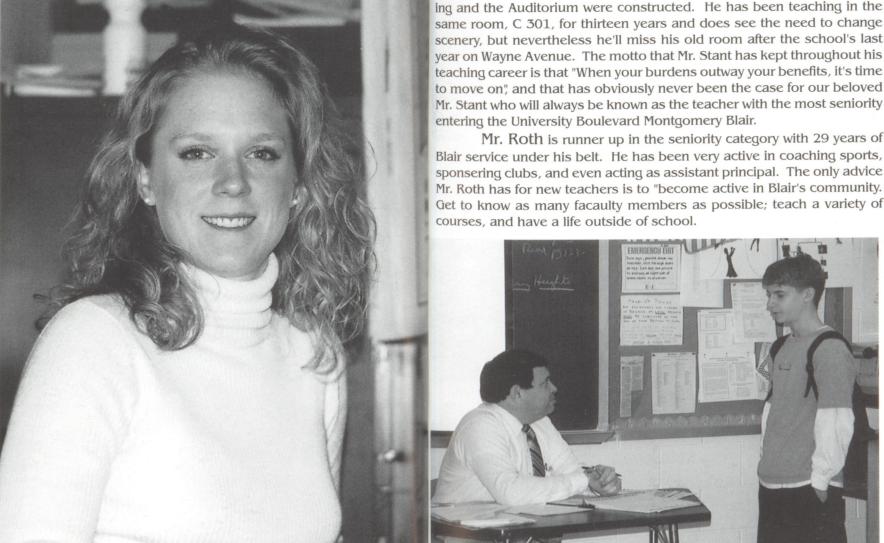
Mr. Roth is runner up in the seniority category with 29 years of Blair service under his belt. He has been very active in coaching sports, sponsering clubs, and even acting as assistant principal. The only advice Mr. Roth has for new teachers is to "become active in Blair's community. Get to know as many facaulty members as possible; teach a variety of

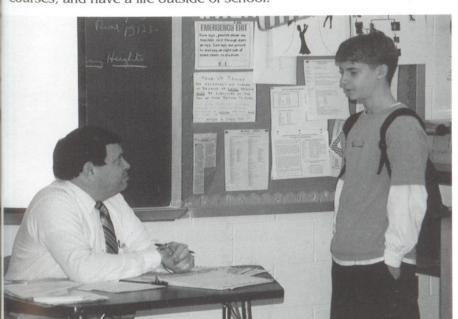
courses, and have a life outside of school.



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 similarly. 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 Mt. Airy". Ms. Rohrbaugh also commented on what she admires about the impression she gets from the community, "I've enjoyed meeting and seeing all of the different people and learning many new perspectives".







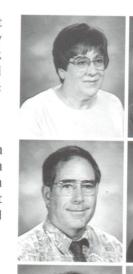


Doing Their Duty

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Robert Donaldson Sara Donaldson Doris Dorn Sherelyn Ernst Margarita Escatell

Gabrielle Fair Caryn Fischer Phyllis Fleischaker Stephen Foster Sharon Fraser

















Elaine Goldberg Victoria Gonzalez Clity Gordon Jana Goss



Anne George Suzanne Giacalone

Robert Gibb Ruth Ann Gieser



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 themselves 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.



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Mrs. Loom instructs st dents duri her 3rd perio

Being a teacher goes beyond standing in front of a classroom and creating tests. teacher's job also includes tasks such as coaching a sports team, sponsoring an afterschool club or chaperoning a dance. Many of these activities could not even exist without teacher 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 staff. Teachers are given the chance to build better 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 for 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 learn more about her students by watching them play a sport or perform on stage."

There are also other ways by which teachers and other Blair staff aid the student body. Faculty such as those that work in the media center work hard to create places outside where the were to, from a Broadway play in New York City to a tour through the White of the classroom where students can learn more and go to work with special resources or house and Capital buildings, field trips were always a fun and educational activity and

The faculty at Blair understands the true meaning of being a teacher, guidance could 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.



Free at last.... the History Department meets outside to get ready for a field trip. For would not be possible without extra time and effort put forth by the faculty.



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 chaperones.

Edward Johnson Richard Johnson Sara Josey Maniya Jules-Desroches Peter Kahl John Kaluta

> Frank Karasinski Joyce Katz Julie Keefer Alan Kellerman Kevin Kelly Michael Kravitz

Helen Kreis Robert Lasco Jacob Lee Maria Legato Shirley Letcher Marilyn Leung

Mark Levine Benzena Lewis Celita Lewis Hope Lindsay William Lindsey Chris Lloyd

TI-eighty great! Mr. Rogers aids Jason Ott in learning how to use his calculator. Many teachers can be hard to talk to, but Mr. Rogers is always there with open ears ready to talk about anything from a hard problem to the hardships of growing up.

or science teacher Michael Kravitz, being a contestant on has been teaching in Montgomery County his life and fortunately landed him at Blair. for twenty-six years and during that time he has taught phsyics, biology, chemistry, matter and energy and envrionmental scicoach the Blair It's Academic and Quizmaster Challenge teams since 1994.

esley Rogers is the proud new teacher of Magnet Earth Science and Research Jeopardy had been a thirty year and Engineering classes. He teaches dream and finally in 1996 after failing sev- grades 10 through 12, and also manages eral prelimiary tests this dream came true. the Magnet "Mission Possible" project. Re-In addition to Jeapordy, he has been a concently he constructed a multi-media presentestant on Who What Where, a gameshow tation in relationship to this project His that aired on NBC in the early seventies, motto which he lives by is, "If you love doand as a result of his participation won ing something, like I love this job, you work prize money and a barbecue grill. Kravitz your hardest at it". This has gotten him far in

"Hey you got an A," thinks Mr. Kravitz as he grade a quiz. Teachers feel good about themselves when a student performs well on an exam.

ences. And he has still found time to co- "Jesse Erdhiem and Jessy Sribnick

This Spotlight is on You!















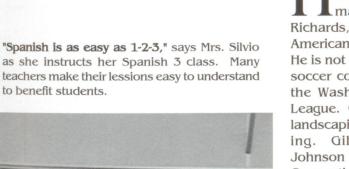
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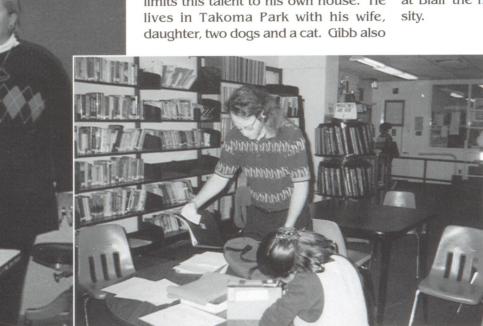




a modern day "renaissance man! Gibb sings in Swinging Richards, a band that plays primarily American and British progressive rock. He is not only the varsity boys and girls soccer coach but also a participant in League. Gibb is also very interested in landscaping, masonary work and paint-Connecticut College. In college, he was paid for landscaping jobs, but now just

istory teacher Robert Gibb is has a log house on the eastern shore, where he drives a tractor and works the

ome would say that foreign lan guage teacher Nancy Silvio has seen it all. She has traveled to China, France, Spain, Britain, Ireland, the Washington International Soccer Hong Kong, Taiwan, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Costa Rica, Peru, Ecuador and Colombia. Her favorite pastimes include ing. Gibb graduated from Walter traveling, cooking, gardening, reading, Johnson High School and then went to fishing and birding. Out of the twenty years she has been a teaching in Montgomery County, she enjoys instructing limits this talent to his own house. He at Blair the most because of its diver-



"Another class is over," sighs Mr. Gibb as he puts his teaching equipment away. Many teachers, like students felt a sense of relief when classes concluded for the day.

Richard Moats Stephanie Moreland Bryan Nance Mary Nawabi Kelly Newman Bang Nguyen

> Thanh Tu Nguyen Helen Notley Connie Ocelus Lawrence Olson Bonnie Palmer Sumner Patch

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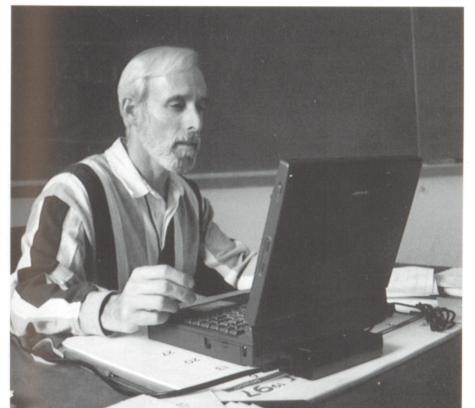


'What? You've got stuff to do this weekend? Well, me too." Social Studies teache Stacy Dimmick (below) sympathizes with the class about their busy social sched ules. Assigning work for Friday night always brings groans of disapproval, but its hard to argue with homework. Teachers are usually just as busy as students meaning that if they have time to grade it, then you've got time to do it.



"Get that thing outta' my face!" Photography teacher Frank Stallings (above) likes to keep behind the camera. But that time behind the lens pays off. Stallings runs a successful photography business outside school, enabling him to bring industry knowledge into his classes. Some teachers are lucky enough to be able to work with and teach what they love.





Mental Warm-ups. . . Psychology teacher Eliot Applestein enters a few test scores before heading to the gym. Many teachers have so much work to grade that they don't have time to exercise, so they have to find ways to speed-up the process. Applestein uses his lap-top computer to track students' grades and attendance and pull psychology articles off of the internet. "It saves me a good deal of time", he muses. Time that he uses to match braun with brain.

eachers have lives? In most students' minds, teachers just grade papers in their free time. In reality, however, teachers participate in many activities that students do. Just think for a second about how many stories have been told about running into a math teacher at the movies, or finding out that even physics teachers like Ben & Jerry's.

Photo teacher Frank Stallings runs his own professional photography business, complete with a studio and darkroom. "I do mainly promotional work, covering conventions and things like that, "Stallings says. When he has time Stallings also freelances, shooting subjects ranging from Jesse Jackson to exotic islands.

Another pastime many teachers participate in is spending time with their families. Social Studies teacher Stacy Dimmick got married last year, and this year had her first child. "At one point I became really nervous about raising a family. There are so many responsibilities; it just seemed overwhelming," Dimmick smiles. "But fright before the baby was due) all my worries just went away. Now I'm totally relaxed about it." Whether nine months or nineteen years, teachers have children of all ages.

Other teachers spend their free time getting themselves in shape. Psychology teacher Eliot Applestein works out regularly. He runs every other day and lifts weights at the gym, matching muscle with mind power. "I value exercising the brain, and I feel exercising the body is a part of

From businesses and bands to sports and shopping, teachers take part in a wide array of activities which often have nothing to do with school. They never let this interest in other things take away from their devotion to school, however, and always keep their students and classroom a top priority

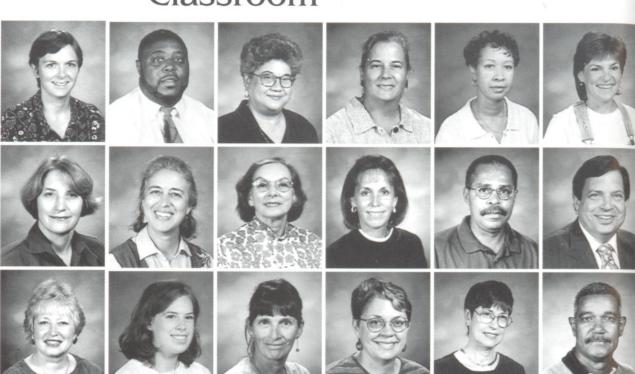
-Rob Gullixson

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

Karen Shilling James Short Jacquelyn Shropshire Nancy Silvio Sarah Simms Darcy Sloe

> Judith Smith Lynne Snyder **Eleanor Solomon** Susan Soule Frank Stallings Norman Stant

Eileen Steinkraus **Margaret Stevens** Margo Stevens Elaine Swank Sandra Swartwood Percell Tabb





"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.

Assisting Both Students and Teachers...

o say that they lend a "helping hand" would be have tackled it all.

Instructional Assistants are paid employees

Many thanks and appreciation are extended

instructional assistants in the English Department.













Glenda Torrence Sylvia Trumbower Wayne Turner George Vlasits Linda Wanner **David West**



Sally Wilcox Linda Wilhelm Jean Williams **Sharon Williams** Jane Winter **Dorothy Wiseman**



Lynn Wood Frank Wright Maria Yordan Cynthia Zuniga



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

an understatement. The instructional assistants here at Montgomery Blair are, without a doubt, a very talented and much desired handful of individuals who tend to numerous responsibilities within various departments. From assisting the students and teachers in the classroom to contributing to the efforts and organization of the academic departments, we can be assured that the instructional assistants

within the school. It was proposed recently that the services provided by these instructional assistants in Montgomery County Public Schools should be terminated because the budget may not allow them to return next year. Fortunately, no final decision has been reached yet concerning this matter.

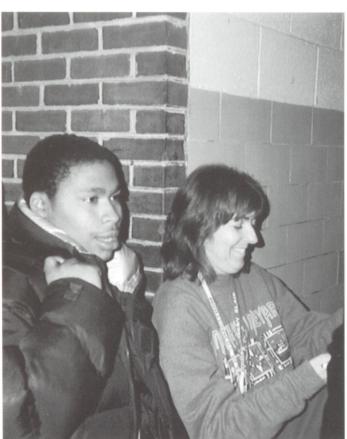
to the instructional assistants in the ESOL, Computer Science, Social Studies, Special Education, SPARC, Automotive, Science, Magnet, Communication Arts, VSST, Math, and English programs and departments.

-Jaime Haig

In the Spotlight...

Meanwhile in D-hall...In a 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.





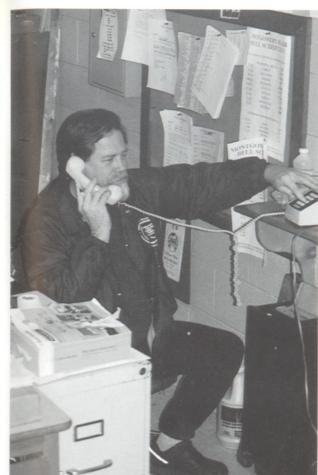
team, and assistant coaches the girls varsity team. Ms. Wolf had taught math at Second Genesis, and the Muncaster Shelter before finally coming to Blair. "I think I can relate better to this grade level, I'm just more comfortable." Ms. Wolf likes to teach physical education, especially with enthusiastic 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.

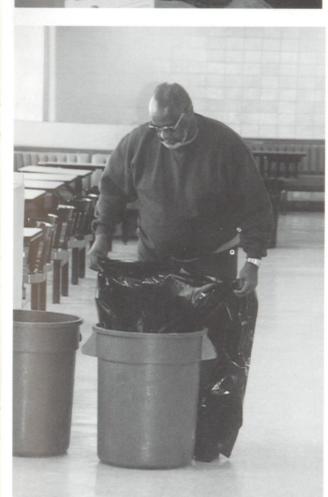
inda Wolf is a long time

physical education teacher

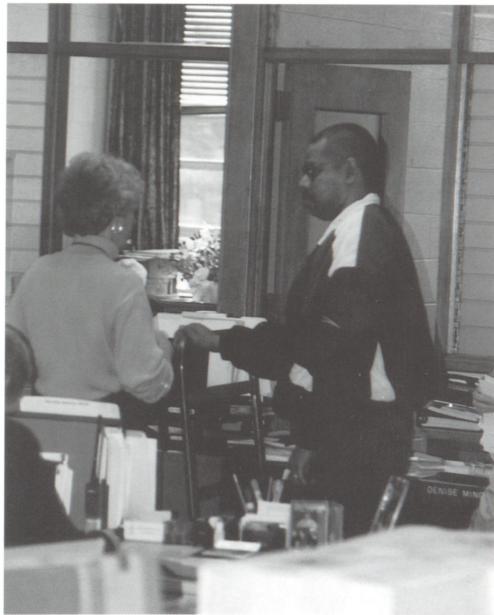
for Blair. She also coaches Blair's junior varsity girls basketball

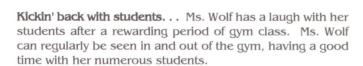
obert Segreti teaches many of the woodshop and tech-Inology classes at Blair. "I wanted to work with students," says Segreti. "But I also wanted to work with my hands." Segreti has been a teacher for ninteen years, all of which have been spent at Blair, teaching printing, photography and woodshop. After spending 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 at Blair for a long time.



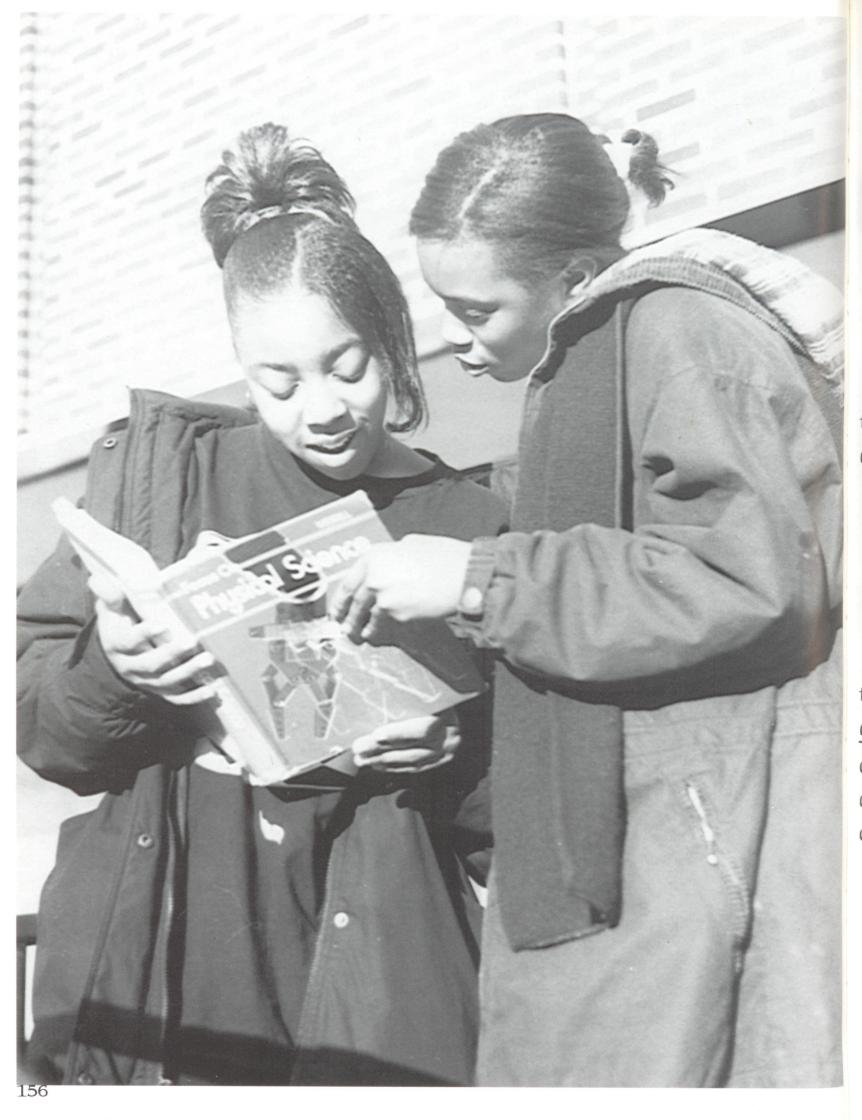








Familiar Faces





High school is one of the busiest times in our lives. With friends, sports, and clubs all running togather, it's not hard to forget our purpose for being here: to learn. And it is through academics that we learn. Through 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, english, science, and history. We think of complicated equations, long notes, and hours of homework. 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, heated discussions over controversial topics; these are also key aspects of academics. Through academics we develop life long friendships

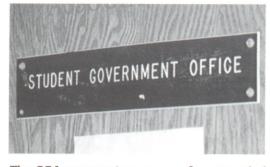
and memories. We learn how to express our creativity, as well as, how to interact with others. We also discover what our strengths, weaknesses, and interests are.

In truth, academics is really all about accomplishments. Accomplishments that are made by teachers when their students are able to learn something new. Accomplishments

that are made by students, when they are able to reach their scholastic and personal goals. Academics makes up a big part of a high school career. It sparks interest, challenges the mind, and gives us the opportunity for new experiences. It helps 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 have to remember; but it is also



our favorite teacher and the really cool field trip that we will never forget. So when we take one last look at high school, there will be many things we will remember, one of the most important is our academic lives.



SGA



The SQA represents a group of young scholars focused on dedicating their time for the well-being of the whole Montgomery Blair Community. Each member is devout to the responsibilities of their position and fulfills those responsibilities with poise and precision.

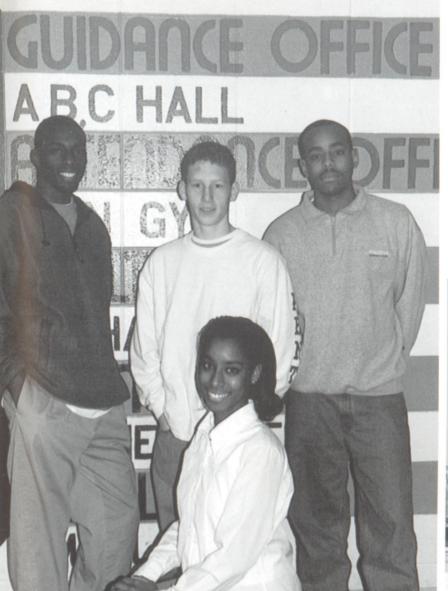
Playing hardball...Assuming the position of SGA's Third Vice President took up a lot of Amanda Vockerodt's free time but she still maintained the dedication and stamina to succeed at having fun playing varsity softball and representing herself as a mighty Blazer.







The Office... Spending lunches in the SGA office was not unusual for Senate Advisor Nicole Dade and Treasurer Marti Harris. Holding an SGA position often meant devoting much of your free time during lunch and after school planning for meetings and taking care of loose ends.



Posing...SGA elected officers are representative of the entire student body. That includes the appearence, attitude, and intelligence that Blair is known for. These four model students have all of this. Everday these Blazers report to school on task and ready for any challenge they are faced with. Tony Murray and Jonah Berger not only participated in SGA but are also involved in varsity sports. Blair Hayes and Nicole Benders were also very active in many extracuricular activities.

All work and no play . . . Senior Manu Sharma not only fulfilled the position of SGA Recording Secretary, but also held down a part time job at Record Town in Wheaton Plaza. Manu's schedule this year was jam packed with planning for the SGA activities as well as earning spending money and studying for her challenging classes.





Latina mas Linda... Jessica Mayorga spent much of her summer before senior year preparing for the internationally televised Miss Latina Pagent. After being awarded the title of Miss Cuba, Jessica was consumed by the time she needed to dedicate for the pagent but she still found the time to hold her office as Corresponding Secretary.

A Whole New World

very 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 body. Not only do they have to deal with the transition of moving, they must face the adjustment to a new lifestyle.

For many the adjustment includes learning 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 English classes. When she entered Blair High School in 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 learn 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.

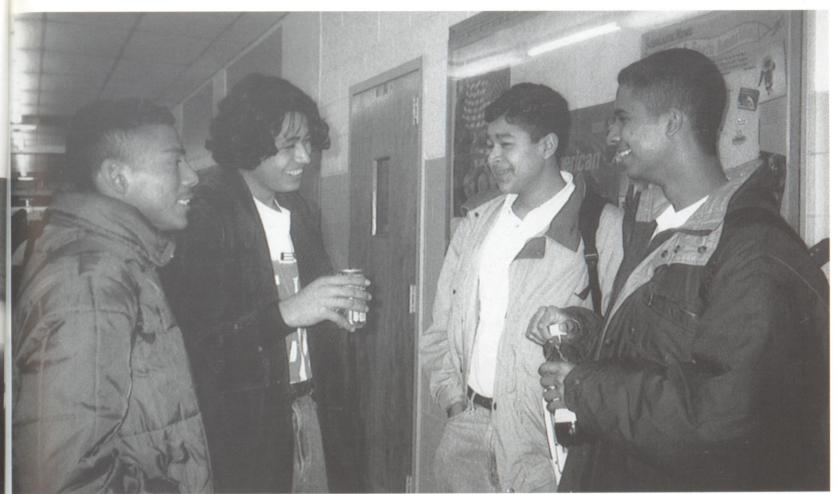


- Kate Mines



"This test is gonna be hard!" Sophmor Alba Navarrette thinks to herself about Mrs. Demers' upcoming test. Most not and foreign students have to study very hard during their first few months here but it all pays off in the end.

"You wanna dance?" Ana Sanche dances with one of her close friends Many people enjoy dancing to various types of music in E-hall during lunch.



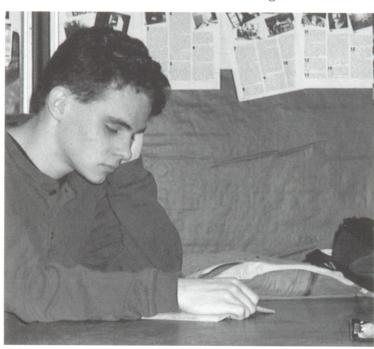


"What's Up?" David Lopez, Alfredo Barrero, Rafael Marena, and Damaso Rodriguez chat during their lunch hour. Many new students enjoy taking a break from english and speaking their first language. This is a very racially mixed school which makes it all the better. The experiences learned here are not only from the book but will help you in the real world working with people of all different colors, religions, and cultures.

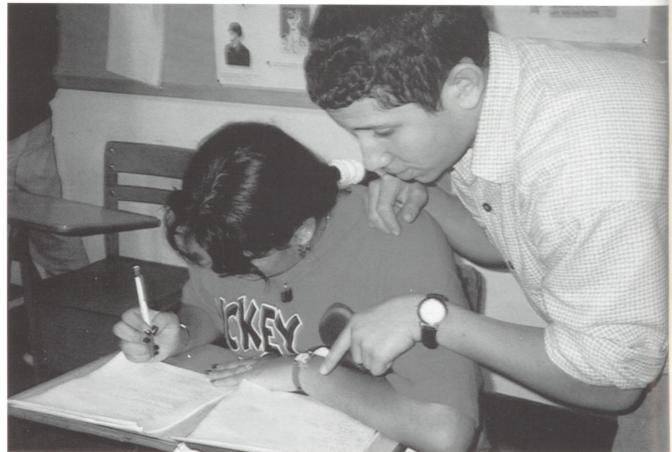
"You're so funny" Jose Peguero and Yoan Ovalles look over and laugh at their friends. Taking time to chill and enjoy school is vital. Learning is not the only thing we come here to do. Making new friends, learning, and having fun all go together.

"I'm no slacker!" Junior James Cooney willingly does his classwork as soon as it's given to him. Students found that completing work when it is received, (instead of procrastinating) sometimes helps minimize homework.

Chapter Review. . . Junior Kyle Retterer gets as interested as possible in his book for English. Some students don't mind the rowdiness of the classroom, even when reading



"I'll help ya buddy..." Sophomore Julian Mackler happily helps Namita Kothary with work which to her might as well be written in a foreign language. Often when students don't understand the jibberjabber that the teachers speak, they turn to fellow classmates for a translation.

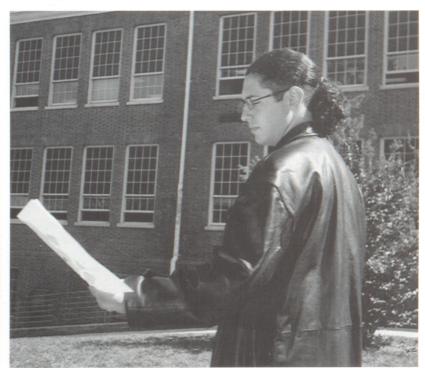


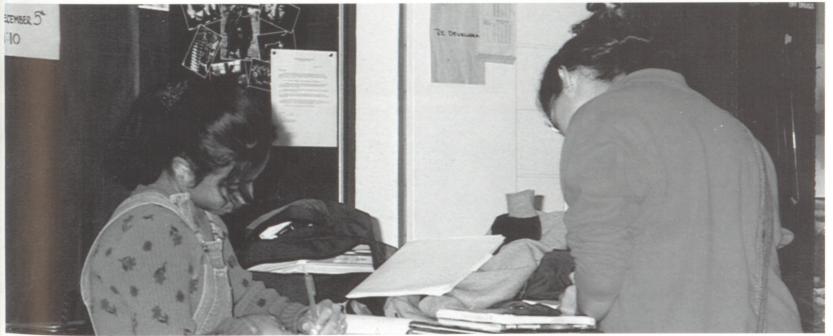
The not-so-fun part...

trated senior Jennifer Song how to find the information needed for their project (not to mention that the mouse doesn't work in the air).

"I hate computers." Junior Tenay Guvendiren calmly explains to frus-Lookin' Good. . . Junior Nick Duarte carefully critiques his work before class. Some students don't stop until their work is perfect, instead of just



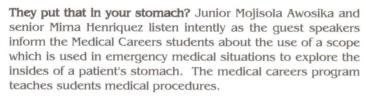




Free time? Let's study! Senior Lisa Baccala and sophomore Stacy Roshan finish their photography work early, so they quickly take advantage of the extra time and pull out other school work.

Whipping up a masterpiece... Seniors Henry RIvera and Nubia Medrano meticulously add the finishing touches to their holiday ginger-bread houses in their Restaurant Management program. "The second year has been a lot more fun because of the hands on experience we get in the kitchen, commented Nubia. She plans to go on to Montgomery College where she will receive a scholarship to further her culinary education. Henry plans to go directly into the workforce and gain more hands-on experience in an actual restaurant setting



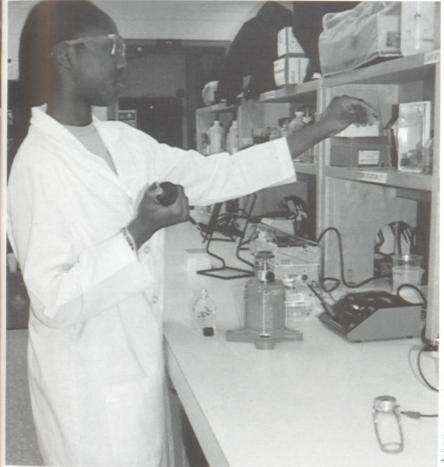


Stylist in progress.... Senior Jennifer Hayes has been going to the cosmotology program at Edison since her tenth grade year at Blair. Upon completion of the course, she'll have accumulated enough hours of cosmotology training to qualify for the state board examination to become a certified cosmotologist.



Shining Light on Edison

Always practice sterile technique... Senior Nomate Mansaray always remembers safety first in the laboratory. The Biotechnology program provides Nomate with the skills and knowledge that allows her to walk into any laboratory environment and be able to perform basic research protocal. Nomate applied for program that allows students to travel from Blair to Wheaton the Biotechnology program because she was interested in biological sciences for the first half of the school day. At Edison instructors proand has found that she has a talent for biological research. She plans to further her education in the field of research and has been given an advantage through the Biotechnologgy program.



he Thomas Edison High School of Technology is a career school that trains Montgomery County high school students in a wide variety of technical fields. Edison is a vide the skills, education, and experience that would be offered on a professional level. It is their goal to prepare students for the work force.

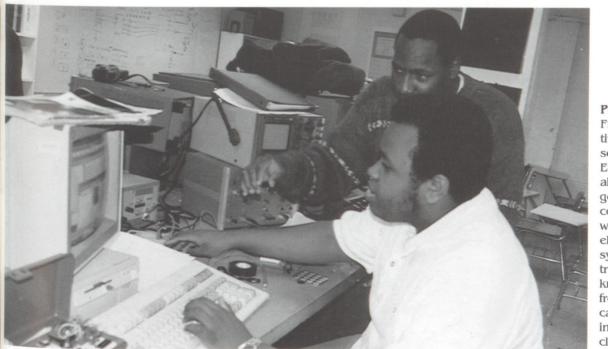
Edison's programs range from restaurant management to construction, cosmotology to biotechnology, and drafting and design technology to network operations & programming. The programs are split into four clusters; communications, construction, mechanical, and services. Each course provides fifteen hours of community service to help the students' meet the graduation requirements. Some of the programs offered may even earn students concurrent college credit through Montgomery College.

Edison has established a mission "to provide students with the academic, technological and interpersonal skills needed to achieve excellence in their chosen careers and to serve as a foundation for their continuing education." The Edison experience is one that is very beneficial as students advance in their desired careers.

Edison attempts to aid students in excelling in all areas of education as well as giving them an advantage in the real world. Certain programs offered at Edison include intemships upon completion of the course. Each program requires that the students produce a resumé upon completion, and students can then use these resumés to walk into any job interview with the confidence that they have the skills to meet the requirements of that job. Edison also offers seminars concerning job interviews, resumé writing, and other career oriented applications.

To stress the main objectives of Edison's mission: Edison attempts to build the necessary skills for students to provide themselves with the option of landing a career, not just to simply get a job.

- Kevin Oakley

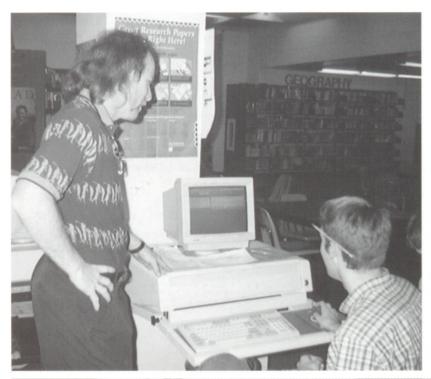


Press enter...Emmett Agoui and Carl Francisque work together in a cooperative team effort to solve the problem presented in their Electronics program. The Electronics program offers students valuable knowledge for advancement in the general field of electronics. Students completing the program will be familiar with DC and AC circuit theory, digital and electronic circuits, and communications systems. The education received in electronic technology offers students basic knowledge that allows them to choose from an innumerable amount of technical fields. "It's a great advantage going into college with this background," exclaims Carl.

Student-Teacher Relationships

"Why don't you try the book search?" History teacher Mr. Gibb helps junior David Sensenig find information for his history project. When doing research or projects, teachers not only provide class time in the media center, but many actually work on the projects with the students, helping them find information and getting them started on the right track.

"So, how was your day?" Mrs. Loomis chats with Junior Meti Zegenafter school. Besides teaching French, Mrs. Loomis is a friend to he students too. Students often go to their teachers for advice or just to 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-Engineering class. The students build many things using their problem solving skills. Like many other teachers, Mr. Segretti chooses to work with the entitional class as a team. This allows the teacher to participate with students and enables them to form close relationships.

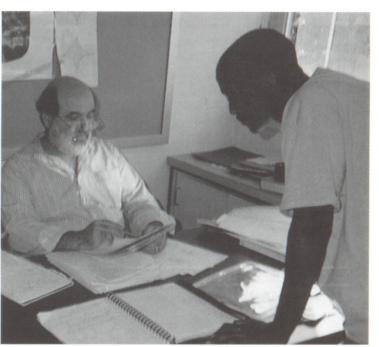


form the hockey team, Arthritics, play student teams hoping to win the Changuris Cup.

No high-sticks. . . Ms Bosse, Magnet biology teacher and Mrs.

Bishop, Magnet math teacher, warm up their floor hockey skills before their game. They, along with a group of other teachers who

"Can I get some help?" Sophomore Broderick Sorreil asks Mr Roth, his Applications in Math teacher, for help on a homework problem. Mr. Roth, who also teaches Algebra 2 and Calculus is always happy to help his students with any problems they have in math or outside the classroom.





"Come on, teamwork!"

Ms. Changuris cheers on the Girls' Varsity Volleyball team. She is the team's coach as well as a P.E. teacher in school. In order to keep everything straight, Ms. Changuris gets help from Junior Will Tung, one of the team's student managers, who helps keep score of the volleyball games.

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 community 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 year of Fine Arts
- 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.

Sophomore cheerleader, Kendra Gray says of her daily routine, "It's hard to balance both school and cheerleading when I have so much to do in both of them."

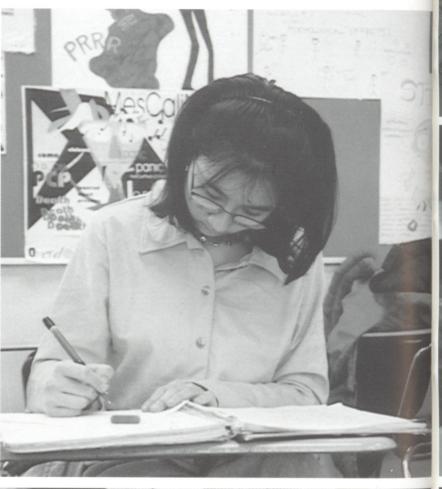
As far as community service is concerned, some students are glad to help their community in whatever way they can. Others feel that this requirement is a hassle. Juniors Loretta Asata and Demitria Nyamweya are on both sides of the issue.

"I feel that community service helps us to get a better 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.

- Nneka Williams

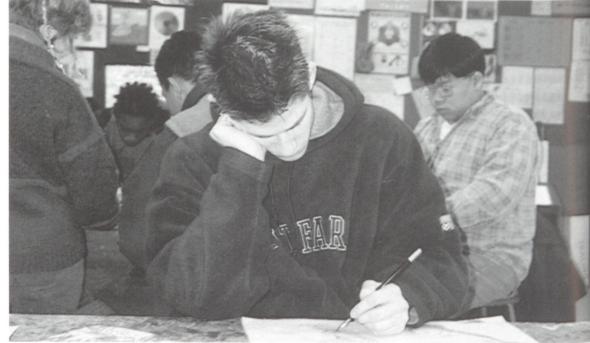
"Almost finished..." Sophomore Bing Bin Li completes an assignment for health class. Health is a one semester class that all students are required to take. In health, students learn everything they need to know about drugs, alcohol STDs and a wide variety of other important subjects that teenagers should know about.





"Alright guys, you're doing a great job!" Freshman Haydee Abarca coaches her classmates, Mario Castro and Chayanny Liriano, who are cutting wood to a perfect size for their Technology Education project. Many freshman enjoy taking Tech Ed and consider the class a break from their busy schedules.







"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.

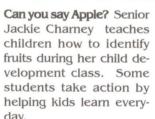
"...and then you place it in the pneumatic trough," says chemistry teacher, Dr. Torrence, while demonstrating a lab to her junior student, Asia Hunt. Requirements state that students have to take three years of science, and chemistry is usually taken by sophomores and juniors.

"When is this class going to be over?" thinks senior Jacob Schwarz as he works on a self-portrait in Drawing and Design class. All students are required to take one year of fine arts, and students have a wide variety of art courses to choose from. Among the list of courses are ceramics, photography, studio art, and painting.

Graffiti for Goodi Senior Ruth Meininger decorates the Blair field for a pep rally. The Student Government Association usually runs the pep rallies and without the help of other student volunteers, things wouldn't get done.

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

chemistry to her class. Students often take turns explaining concepts and problems to their classmates. Often help from your peers can be as good, or better, than help from a teacher.

Elements of Science... Junior Kitty Leyung explains one of the theories in Nature takes its course. Junior Rameez Abbas promotes SGR at the activites fair. Many of the clubs are started and run by students. Students for Global Responsibility donates their time to help the environment and their community.

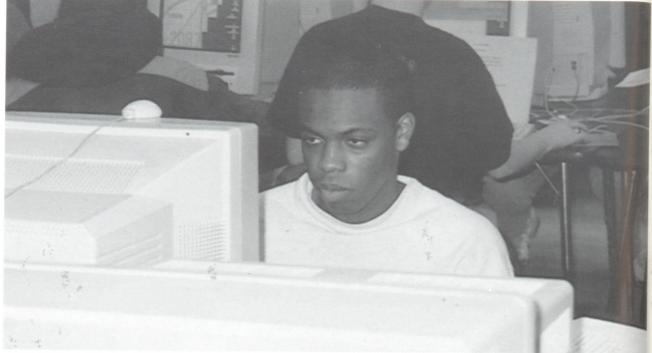






Ever heard of purple money? Jonah Berger counts Qiant reciepts after school. If Blair can get enough reciepts the school will recieve new computers and equipment for the new Blair. Students bring in reciepts which help the school, as well as help earn their first period classes doughnuts and pizza.

Just one more problem...
Preston Mason works
deligently in the computer labs
on class work. These networked machines are all capable of reaching the internet
and the world wide web.





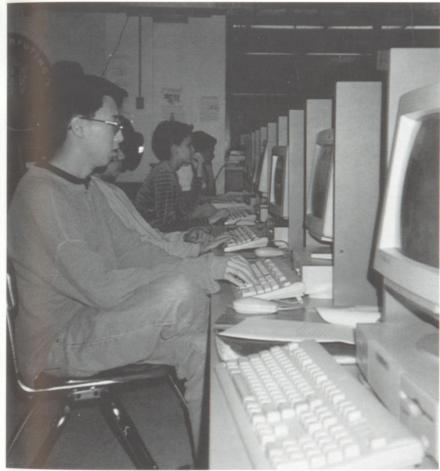
I see you! Senior Ira Rothberg is eyed by a CU-SeeMe camara. Such video camaras can be used to transmit streaming audio and video through chat rooms across the United States and the world.

Team work! Seniors Cindy Gunraj, Cynthia Addai-Robinson, and Emily Yanisko work together to complete what might otherwise be a long and arduous task. Three minds are better then one!



Exploring the Unknown: Cyberspace

Ahhh, R&RI David Lott and company are casually and comfortably typing away in the Blair computer lab. Down in D-100 students are often found surfing the net. The entire room is connected on line as to allow everyone on opportunity to explore.



he internet, a.k.a. the information superhighway was originally setup as just an experiment. The internet was formed from seperate worldwide networks with the support of several universities and our military. To its creators, its possibilities seemed endless. Today, the net has quickly become familiar in most homes, mainly as a researching tool. It has even found it's way into Blair. "It has some good aspects, especially for gathering information", explains Ahmed Uppal. Mr. Lasco agrees, "It's a tremendous research tool", but warns that there's lots of junk out there too.

The internet allows one to view the web, where most of the information can be found, however, one must use a browser to view such information. Mr. Lasco explains that in order for students to view netscape (a popular browser) under county laws, the student needs to be under adult supervision. Jokingly, Mr. Lasco adds, "I get so annoyed when students constantly ask me if they can use the web to research homework after school."

Before a student can use a browser such as Netscape or Explorer, the student also needs an account where they can either access an IP number or emulate one. This number allows them to connect to the web as an actual part of the net. At Blair, any student can recieve an account on our school's own server BINX and then can connect to the web here at school or at their own home.

The world wide web is an amazing thing with seemingly unending possibilities. With new advances in software and both processor and modem speeds, the net is becoming an even more powerful tool with such innovations as web-telephone and CU-SeeMe, It might be difficult for first time users to log on,unfortunately for Mr. Lasco, our media center is always open before and after school and under certain, easily met conditions, the internet and web are readily available.

- Howard Stone

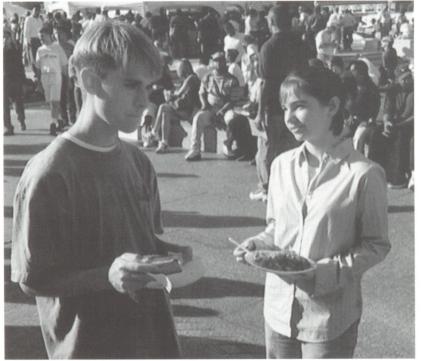


And they're off! This class of mixed grades uses their time, effort, and knowledge in the labs to manipulate complex data in manners and speeds unfathomable to most minds.

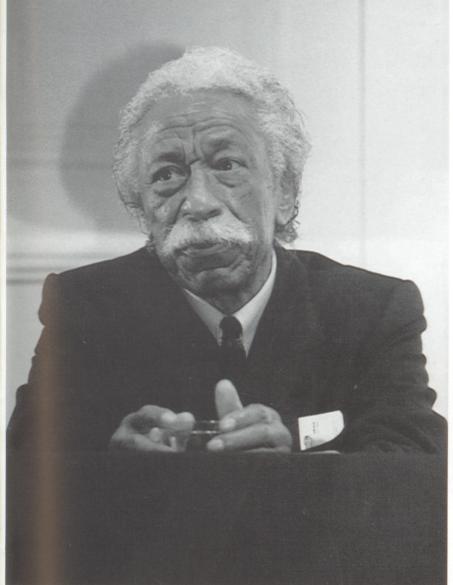
Getting Away

"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 holiday Sukkot. They enjoy a meal of apples and bagles while sipping hot cider.







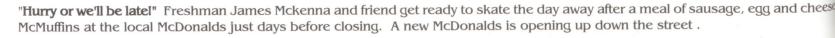
Corcoran School of Art to hear a lecture by photographer, director and writer Gordon Parks.

Back in 1956... Mr Stalling's Advanced Photography class visits the

"Do we have to go back now?" Sophomore students board the red line Metro train heading home after a morning of enlightenment at the Smithsonian American History Museum.

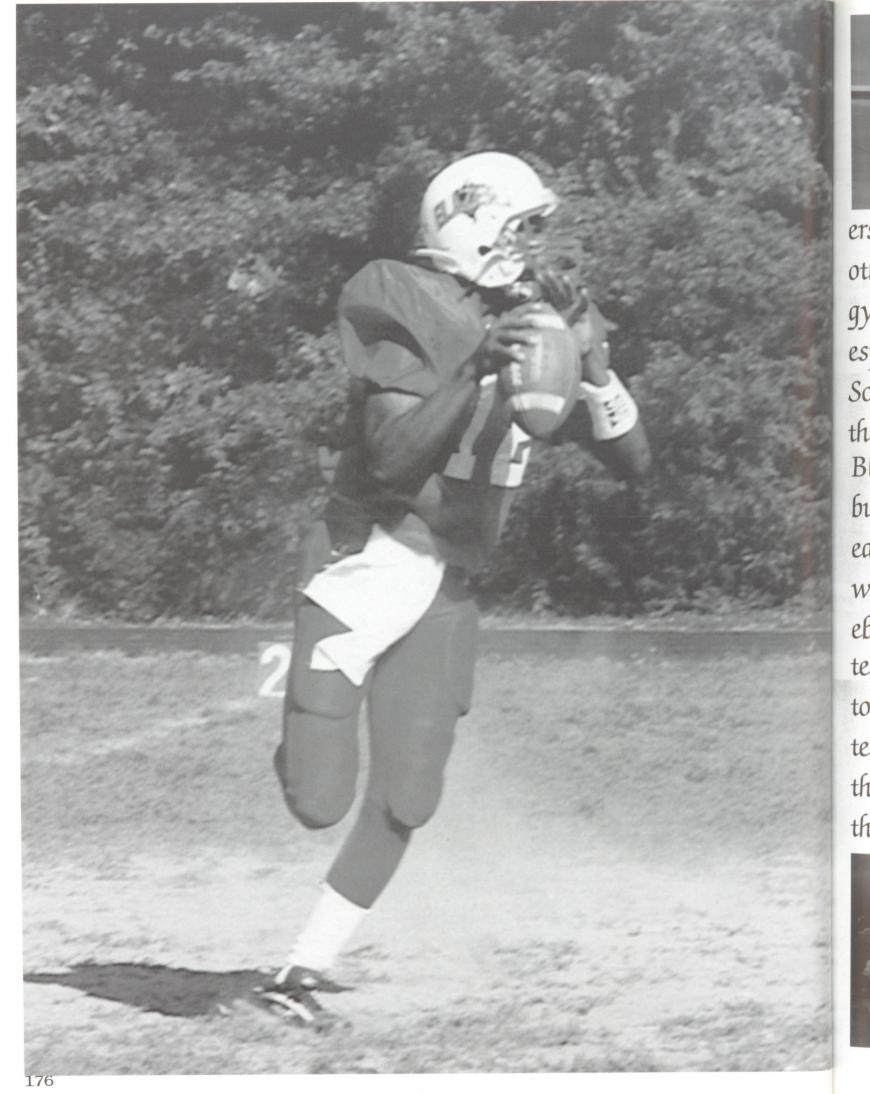








"Did we lose anybody?"
Dr D'Angelo calls attendance on the 11th grade cap field trip to the Sackler Gallery and American Art museums. Students were asked to view Asian and Islamic art.





Blazer games were always full of spirit, no matter what sport. Fans could always be seen supporting their team through wins and losses. The poms, cheerleading, and drill teams also showed neverending support for the Blair teams. The Blaz-

ers 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 athletes who have 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, but about being part of a team and encouraging each other to be the best they could. When times were good, team members had each other to celebrate with, and when times were bad, Blazer



teams had each other to console. The teams' optimism led the Blazers to a number of successes. But no matter how the game turned out, the teams always supported each other, and always had their fans to cheer them on, and that spirit and encouragement is what will live 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 endless amount of cheers from dedicated supporters and devoted players echoing through the air.

- Lisa Pineles

For the Love of the Game James Mozee-Leyser, number 20, and junior Jason Rocker, number 63, prevent two Cougars from getting any further. Varsity and JV Football

Tith a new schedule that included opponents from 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 14-7 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 opposing team short. Despite losses to powerhouse teams 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 sophomore Courtney Bean, and juniors Jack Genau, Mark 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, as they lost the next seven games to the Watkins Mill, Gaithursburg, and Einstein teams.

But the Blazers would not end the season without a fight as they went into the last game of the season with high hopes of winning. The team's prayers were answered as they 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



"On three!" The Blazers are perfectly lined up and ready to fight, fight, fight for victory against the Kennedy team.

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



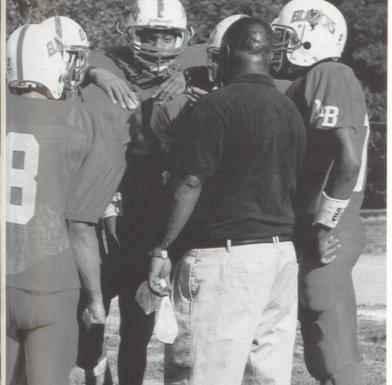


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Junior varsity football team: A. Ridore, R. Brutus, F. Calliste, R. Santana Alger, C. Foushee, C. John, O. Ragente, A. Garcia, Coach Williams, J. Velas "Here's what we need to do." A few varisty players gather around to quez, J. Tineo, D. Kirkendall, A. Scorza, E. Specer, G. Salguero, S. Rodriguez get some much needed advice from Coach Short. W. Kid, B. Sorrell, R. Sandoval, L. Shulzitski, R. Willis. Missing: T. Green, Eugene, L. Gilfillean





Heads upl Senior Garcia Volcy, number 21, punts the ball as members of the opposing team attempt, but fail, to block the kick.





Making a run for it...Quarterback Kerlin Lapierre holds the ball as a Walter Johnson player tackles him. However, he managed to keep the ball within his grasp.



"I'm gonna get you, boyl" Number 1, Darrell Watkin, dives to drag down a

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

tumn afternoons. Regardless of what Mother Na- the team with her strong abilities and her willing ture offered, Mr. Ngbea believes that the girl's tenness to put the team first. nis team had an exceptionally sucessful season.

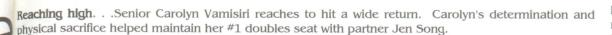
Nalven and sophomore Stacey Roshan, whose our Division, which moved the team from Division 43 victory was the deciding factor in the team's 2 to Division 1 as Division champions. first match of the season against Churchill. This was Blair's first win ever against Churchill.

Jodi Min claimed the county champion-

hey began practice in the heat of Au-ship, and junior Charitha Gowda placed as runne gust mornings, and competed with stern up at #3 singles. Other stars include senior co-ca determination during the coldest of autain doubles player Carolyn Vamisiri who helped lea

Senior co-captain Andrea Merriam, #1 single Sophomore Jodi Min maintained the best made it to the semi-finals and led the team using record for the season as an undefeated player at her three years of experience. With all their dete the #2 singles position. Other instrumental tools mination the Blair team placed #3 in the count that contributed to the team's strong season include the #3 doubles team, freshman Emily and the girls finished the season 6-0 undefeated

- Jaime Hai





Ready for anything... Freshman Stacy Roshan anticipates her opponents next move. Patience and preparation are two key components of the sport.





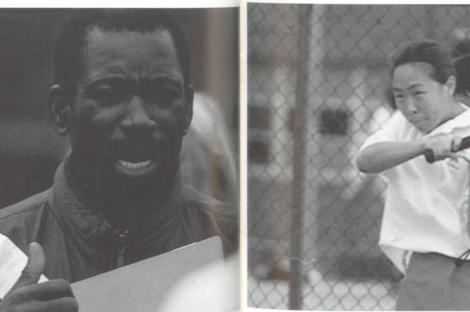
while grunting like the professionals. Being aggressive helps win matches against those tough opponents.



Second Row: Jodi Min, Chantal Gordon, Emily Nalven, Carolyn Vamisiri, Stacey Rashar nis ball. Sometimes players need to contort their bodies in order to Anne Lee, Aiko Katoh Third Row: David Ngbea (coach), Maureen Henry, Sei-Gyun return a well hit ball from their opponent. Kim, Jennifer Song, Krisana Gesuwan, Jackie Mah, Andrea Merriam Not Picture Anna Mackler, Jean Lee



"Arghl" Sophomore Charitha Gowda slams a monster return First Row: Jamie Haig, Charitha Gowda, Anna Brown, Lizzie Epstein, Sinta Jimin Twist and Shout! Junior Jean Lee twirls around after hitting the ten-



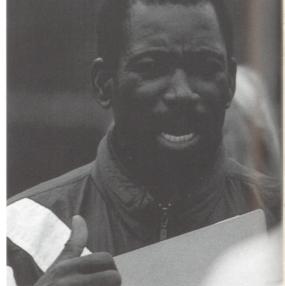
On her toes. . . Junior Jen Song charges forward on a return. Having a stronge defense can sometimes be a deciding factor in whether a



Rising to the occasion. . . Senior co-captian Andrea Merriam stretches upward to slam down a harsh serve. Andrea maintained her #1 singles spot because of her strength and her ability to overpower her opponents.

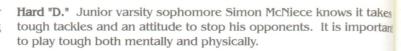


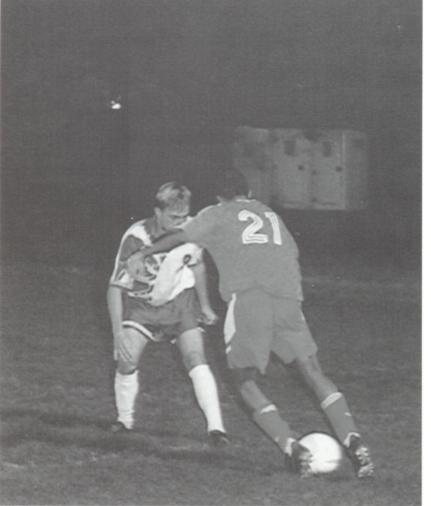
Qoing for the gold... Sophomore Jodi Min attacks the ball with fierce determination. Jodi had Wise beyond his years... Tennis coach David Ngbe one of the best seasons, making it all the way to the county championship.

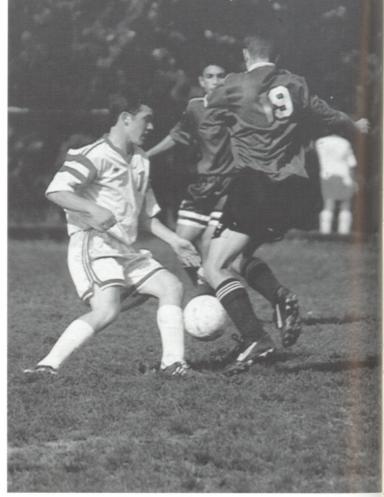


gives helpful tips to the members of his team. M Ngbea, a talented tennis player himself, was often great source of advice for the Blair players.

Night Flight. Varsity senior Nelson Villalta prepares to break past a defender at a night game. Night games give players a unique challenge, fighting shadows on the field and tracking the ball through bright lights.







Reaching Goals Boys' Varsity & Junior Varsity Soccer

Front Row: Nelson Villalta (captain), Erich Frenz, Billy Guevara, Ben Norkin, Adam Vela, Zakaya Diop, Aldo Ruiz, Dayo Olaiya, Coach Bob Gibb Second Row: Micah Speigel (captain), Vladimir Nolasco, Matt Perl, Danny McBride, Matt Fagan, Jeff Tien, Deye Gonyon, Armando Mendoza Back Row: Fernando Benitez, Billy Aragon, Steven Karifiath, Yoshi Manale, Ira Rothberg (captain), Dan Herbst, Sergio Francis, Benyam Solomon Not Pictured: Jalani Evering, Beau Sims



field at a full sprint for ent, and then proceeded to eighty minutes, you can improve from last year to a play soccer. Oh, and you also have to execute plays, dodge flying cleats, push and shove Rick Moats took pride in this other sprinting players, and year's JV team. "I've got a catch a ball traveling at forty group of guys that will work. miles per hour with your feet. You tell them to run, they If you can do all that, you might don't ask how far-they just snag a spot warming the run," says Moats. Both bench. If you can do all that squads proved this year that and play with a team and win, they have the lungs, the you're a Blair soccer player.

The varsity team, coached by Robert Gibb, built a strong team from a small core group of returning players

f you can run around a and a large pool of new talrecord of 7-43.

Junior Varsity coach teamwork, and the skill to be successful.

~ Rob Gullixson

JV Scorebox





Arif Ahmed, Sam Graul, Jose Cuba, Daniel Bracamentes Second Row: Josh Caal, Deek

LaForest, Rishi Guputa, Justin Lucus, Travis Price, Michael Erhart, Bret Cohen, Camillo Ricon

Back Row: Bleky Seide, Beau Sims, Brian Kelly, Sean Fanning, Ben Falk Tony Lopez, Bladimir

Castillo, Coach Rick Moats Not Pictured: Erimes Belay, Ashish Goel, Rishi Kapoor



"Use your head," thinks varsity senior Danny McBride. Soccer means taking it to the limit; even players' hair reaches for the sky.



Go long! 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 team! Varsity players line up and form a wall to block a free kick. On free kicks players will do whatever they can to keep the ball out of the goal, even if it means taking a hit.

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5	Wheaton	0
3	Einstein	2
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1	Watkins Mill	0
0	Churchill	3
1	Quince Orchard	1
3	Damascus	0
2	Sherwood	4
0	Gaithersburg	1
5	Kennedy	1
5	Seneca Valley	1
0	Paint Branch	1

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0	Watkins Mill	0
2	Churchill	5
1	Quince Orchard	2
3	Damascus	0
1	Sherwood	2
2	Gaithersburg	2



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.

Quick Change. Jun-

ior Varsity Sophomore Justin Lucas turns to face the ball. Players need speed and agility to win the

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 halftime of Among these players, there were eleven seniors to form the backbone of the team. They were right in thinking they would have a strong squad. The varsity season ended with a record of 8-4. Though they had a disappointing loss in the first round of the championships, they hustled throughout 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 returning sophomores to teach the new and inexperienced freshmen the team turned out well. Among these sophomores were captains, Carolyn Serey, Sussanah Brewster, and Katie Sensenig. They too had a successful season following the varsity's lead. They ended their season 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

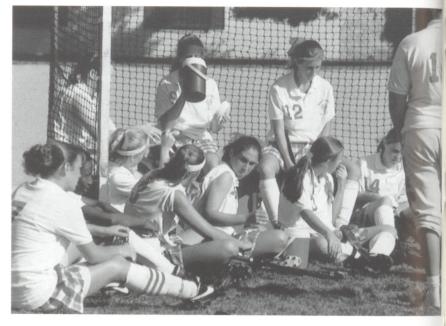


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W	Springbrook	L
W	Wheaton	L
L	Magruder	W



Top Row: Abby Curran, Anna Berkely, Carly King, Britt Bowers, Claire Stedmann, Crystal S.Tonya Hanel, Jessy, Nicole CraverBottom Row:Alex Desautels, Deli Terry, Erin Bowers, Aubrey Bruggeman, Emily Brewster, Jaime Bauer, Sandy King, Jenna Khan, Lilly Raff, Katrina Sostek

in '97 with many returning players. their game. Many teams like to have important team meetings during halftime to discuss the game and to give advice. This is a very important part of the game apart from the play on the field.





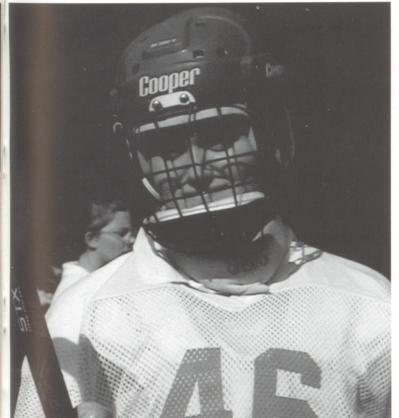
Strap it up! Freshman Laura Newman puts on all her gear before their first game. This year was her first year as a Blair goalie but she learned a lot over the course of the season. Many freshman start out either in a new sport or in? new postion as they start off the season but by the end they come a long way from the first day of practice.



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

that's what friends are for.. Sophomore Julia Keister and freshman Alleen Chang watch from the outside. There were many new memers added to the JV team this year and they all became friends. Startoff the year in a sport is a great way to make new friends.





"Nothing's gonna get by me today," says Junior Anna Berkeley who was the varsity goalie this year. Having the responsibility of being a 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 sidelines. Many freshman who had to sit out this season learned the game well and will be the future of our upcoming squad. Most of this year's sophomores are hoping to move up and join next year's varsity team.





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

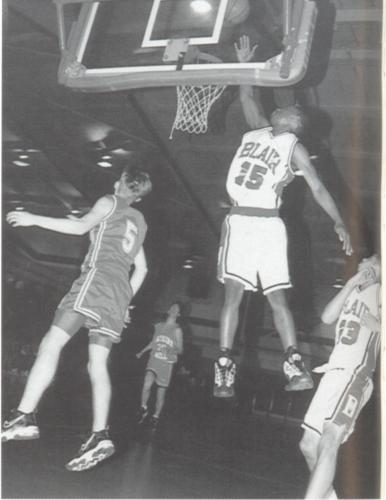


Pass it over here, thinks senior Ayodele Terry about sophomore Carly King while the two are being chased by a member of Quince Orchards team. Terry had a great season this year finishing with 11 goals.

Concentrate, just two more points! Sophomore Zeke Ramos thinks to himself. When all the pressure is put on you to sink the ball from the line it can be very stressful. A lot of times these two points have been the deciding factor in the game's outcome.







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





Double Pumpl Sydney Jackson shoots up against strong defenders. They "See ya'l," senior David Ruin says as he zooms by the Watkins MI had a lot of tough competition this year and some hard teams to stand up to defense. Even as a tall player playing the post he still needs to be able but the junior varsity's, Sydney Jackson led his team as the highest scorer. to drill and play a game of possesion.



Shooting Hoops JV and Varsity Boy's Basketball

Blazers Represent! The varsity team huddles in front of the home crowd at the Blair Field House to get hyped up for their big game. This pre game tradition is very important to get them pepped for play.



he boys varsity basketball team began 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 Lamberth and assistant coach Rick Hahn were satisfied by the boys playing 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 out on top as MVP, along with Outstanding Senior Murley Matingou, and Josh Walker

The future of the up and coming varsity is in the hands of junior varsity coach, Rick Hahn. They started off their season a 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 awards 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 we will look forward to seeing next year's team.

~Kate Mines



Grab itl Zeke Ramos scrounges to recover the ball after an almost unfortunate turnover. He pulled out ahead dribbling the ball for our team, luckily.



Kneeling: Tumberry Mouhan, Josh Walker, Marcellus Beckwith, Mark Wilhelm, Don't worry, I got it! 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. Ruin, Ahmik Trotman, Daryl Smith, Bruce Jenkins, Dale Lamberth (coach); Ab- The whole team played tough defense. sent: Garry Clark

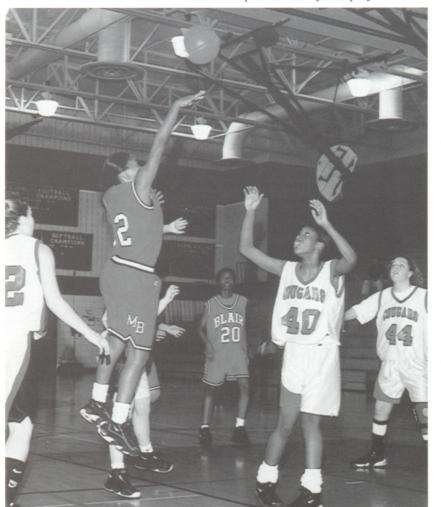




Junior Varsity Scorebox



Hang time....Shelly Browne stops, pops, and the shot counts; but wait, she's Flying through the lane...team co-capitan Yinka Bada drives deep into still in the air? She can hover over the three-point line until she knows for the opposing team's defense. Completely dominating the lane, Yinka certain that the fans will jump up and cheer. Then and only then, will she swiftly soars by any of the poor defenders unaware of her electrifying decide to come back down to resume her preditorial style of play.





First Row: Samanda Hawkins, Tasha Oliver, Raisa Williams; Second Row: Rashelle "Shelly" Browne, Yinka Bada, Tamira Quevara, Jennifer Anderson, Katie Morrisson; Third Row: Coach William Lindsey, Cynthia Bailey, Lea Diaproved to be an interesting one. Many of the returning playmond, Brooke Gray, Alyssa Hughes, Jazelle Estrada, Ayodele Terry, Samantha ers played exceptionally well and encouraged new team Shub (manager), Mrs. Wolf (assistant coach).

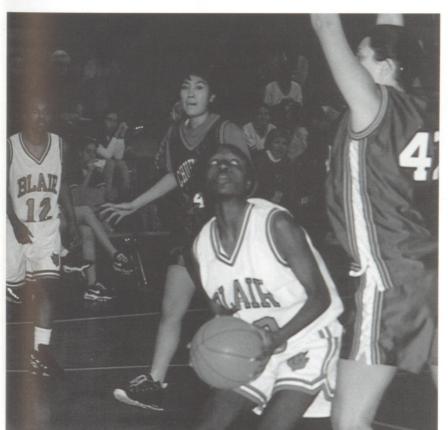
WNBA Headquarters

JV and Varsity Girls Basketball



his season was an unpredictable one for the girls var sity basketball team. With almost half of the team recently moved up from junior varsity, the season members to step up and control the board. Captains Shelley Browne and Yinka Bada served as excellent role models for younger players who followed their lead. The captains provided the necessary optimism that was crucial throughout the season. Suffering through the early part of the season with several close games that resulted in only one or two point losses would have shattered many teams' morale and caused them to lose focus. But the Lady Blazers, with the strength of William Lindsey's coaching and the support of the entire team, survived the season and emerged with their heads up. A similar situation is evident for the junior varsity team. The experience of the team was limited to two returning sophomores, Elizabeth Todd and Megan Gabriel. Coach Linda Wolf remarks that "this year has been humbling." Coach Wolf also expressed her optimism for next year. Wolf says that "this year much of the team's time and energy was spent on conditioning skills and practicing drills to improve the team as "one force, fighting to improve their

~ Kevin Oakley



Look out I'm going up... Ayodele Terry proves that the term forward simply Help... Jessica Ray is in trouble and is looking for support from her means to get in front of the opposing player and fight to get close enough to teammates. She guards the ball while her teammates get in place the basket to score. Dele has risen from the bench to one of the starting five for the next play. Positions and nobody will ever be able to knock her back.

Varsity Scorebox Opponent uince Orchard Churchill Whitman Paint Branch chard Montgome Springbrook Magruder Gaithersburg

"The team's record this year doesn't accurately reflect the effort or ability that they've put forth this season. Growing with experience, we've created a nucleus of returning players for next year that will be unstoppable. All the girls should feel proud of how they've improved this year and I just want to thank them for an awsome season."

Mrs. Wolf

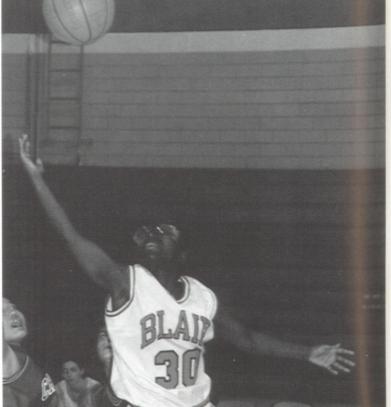


Last second advice... Mr. Lindsey calls for a time-out in the final three seconds of overtime with the Blazer's in possession. The team huddles in close to hear what final words of advice he has to offer. Whatever the advice is, it works because the Blazers walk off the court with pride.





First row: Margaita Rodriguez, Ana Godoi; Second Row: Stacey Ward, Rose Eisenbeiss, Bela Ahanogbe, Alexi Druhan, Ayo Akingbade; Third Row: William Lindsey (assistant coach) Dyonesias Young (manager), Elizabeth Todd, Megan Gabriel, Anita Gittens, Jessica Ray, Alicia Robinson (manager) Coach Wolf.



Who put the "J" in JV...it certainly wasn't Bela Ahanogbe, who is a very promising young Blazer. Every time she steps on the court the crowd's attention goes directely to her and they watch in excitement to see what she'll do next.

in mid-air during a dive. Blair divers were shape during off-season times. a rare breed this year.

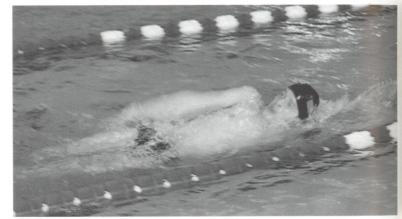
The air up there...Junior Tammy Shapiro I believe I can fly...Junior Jonathan Lane believes he can touch the sky while he practices the butterfly gets a brief feeling of flying as she hangs before the swimming season even starts. Swimmers were so dedicated that they enjoyed keeping in







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



swimmers to work out arm and leg muscles.

Raging Waters he 1997-1998 season was a satisfying one meter medley, which includes 50 meters of each

decent record for girls and a great one for the team's coach was happy with their effort. The boys won their division by going undefeated in Division III.

not all the swimmers participate, because there are not enough events for all the team members. "There are about eighty members of the team. Most schools choose who swims in the events by the best times, 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 level are on the swim team. Everyone works hard events include different distances of different strokes. There are four different strokes: freestyle, butterfly, has fun at the same time. breast stroke, and back stroke. There is also a 200

for the Blazers swim team. Finishing with a stroke. At the beginning of each meet, there are relays, in which four swimmers participate. During the middle of a meet, there is a diving event. Many schools have no divers, but Blair has a few.

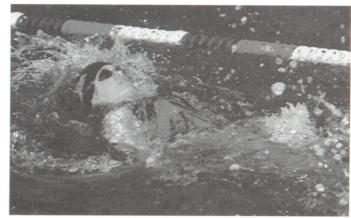
The Blair swim team was led by senior Swimming is a team sport, but at each event captains Nicole Phipps, Craig Readler, Erin Bowers, and Emily Brewster, and junior captains Christopher Kelly and Niels Hoben. Key swimmers include senior Jaime Bauer and sophomore Sean

Practices are held every week on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Members of every grade to make sure Blair keeps a decent record and - Lisa Pineles





Slicing the water like a knife... Sophomore Jason Ott powers through I'm back, you go! Another leg of a relay starts with the first swimmers returning and the pool with his strong backstroke. The backstroke is a great way for the next swimmers diving in. Some meets include relays and regular races, but some meets are only relays, called relay carnivals.



Splish Splash I was kickin' back...Senior Alex Desautels does the backstroke, rushing to get the Blazers lead. Swimming is one event where individuals are timed, but the end result is a team score.



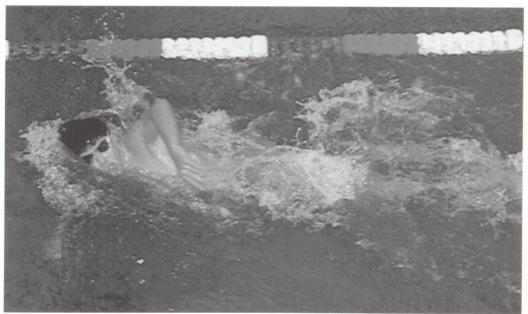
Take your marks! Two Blair swimmers prepare to start their race. A buzzer and a flash of light will send them off into the water. Most swimmers stretch before each heat.



returns to the edge. Relays are a great show of teamwork because the score is perfect formation into the waters of the Montgomery the total of all four swimmers together.



County Aquatic Center.



Qet that form perfect! A Blair swimmer dives in perfectly as her teammate Oot that dive down....Junior Shekar Davarya dives in Take a breath! 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.

Ready to Rumble

"Even though wrestling is an individual sport we worked hard as a team and had a great season!

Mike Wolcott

he Blazer's wrestling team this season their matches. Being seniors and mostly returning Blazer wrestlers, most of the team has time to practice their advanced moves and not spending time refreshing themselves with basic moves.

The Blazers this year started off with wins sgainst Kennedy and Richard Montgomery High Schools, as well as as some of the easier schools. And then started to lose when they were matched up against more powerful teams such as 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.

Besides wrestling matches at home agains started out with a bang winning most of other schools, the Blazers also wrestled at matche at other schools. At the Bethesda Chevy Chase Clas sic wrestling tournement, Blair had two placing wre tlers. James Mompoint came in first in his weigh class and senior Jonah Berger came in second.

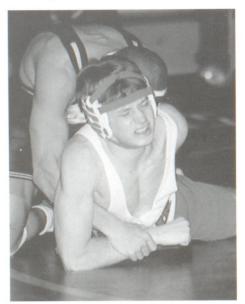
> Wrestlers worked as a team this year coached by Jake Scott and Blair graduate Jeff Levin The two worked with the team to improve skills each weight class. Whether they won or lost, the Blazer wrestlers walked away with pride because the knew they wrestled well and winning was not even thing. The team strengthened thier skills and staye fit throughout the season. "I have never had to be so healthy and fit," said senior Mike Wolcott.

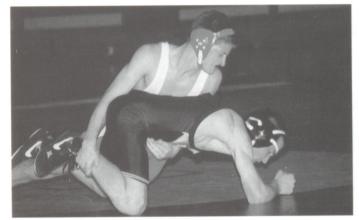
> > ~Lisa Pineles and Patrick Callaha

waiting for the next round... Junior Vincent Nguyen, Senior Mike Wolcott, Matt Keister, and Jonah Berger, wait for senior James Mompoint to finish his match at home in the gymnasium. Cheering on the other players is a key role in teamwork.

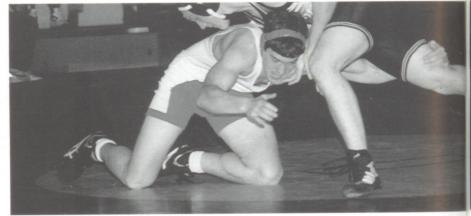


"You may think you have me, but you really don't," thinks Junior Joe Alger as he struggles out of a difficult position.

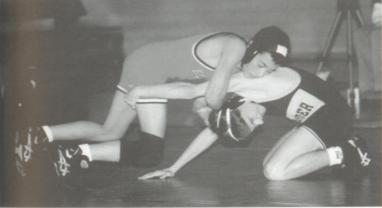




"I've got you now." Sophomore Justin Lucas is looking forward to effortlessly pinning his Magruder opponent. Mental preparation plays a key part in whether a match is won or lost



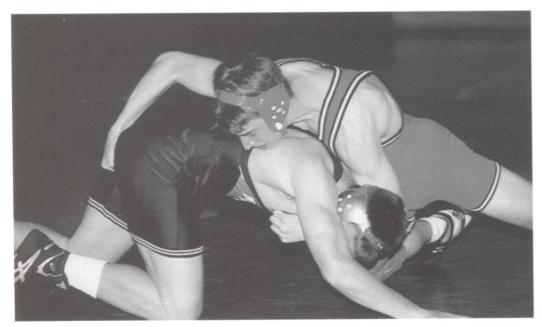
If I could just get my arm under here... Senior Micah Spegiel in a surprise move grab "Almost got youl," Junior Vincent Nguyen thinks he has his opponent his opponent's leg and then drops him into a pin. Catching your oppnent off gaur almost pinned during the Magruder Match. Confidence is a major helps to get them pinned quicker.



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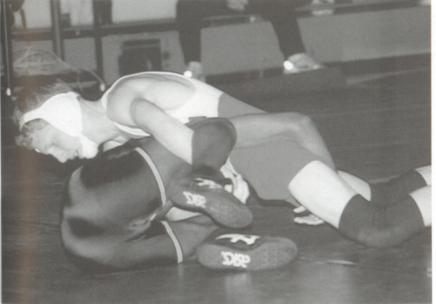
"Get your leg, and down you go." Senior Erik Reed grabs his opponent's leg for a surprise attempt move. Reed is one of Blair's top wrestlers who placed sixth in the county wrestling championship.



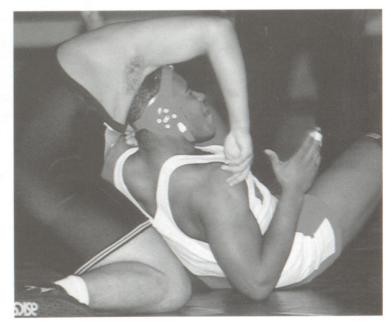
"Okay, Super Power, now it's your turn." Junior Aaron Wolf prepares to pin his opponent in the match against Magruder.



position.



"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 patient as he forces his opponent into an awkwa attempts to pin his opponent. Berger was one of Blair's key wrestlers in the



Under pressure... Senior James Mompoint struggles to regain position against the force of his opponent.

Serving Up Winners

Girls Varsity and Junior Varsity Volleyball

he crowd falls silent as the tension rises on the gym floor; the lady Blazers are about to make history. A muscular server donning a proud red and white uniform 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 Tung. "We were one of only two teams to take a game from the state champions. It was a big accomplishment," says junior Joanna Mauer, a setter on the team. 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 Bartlett and Liselle Moses. "It was a learning experience for the girls...they learned how to play proper volleyball and improved 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 really well."

~ Christine Vest

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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.

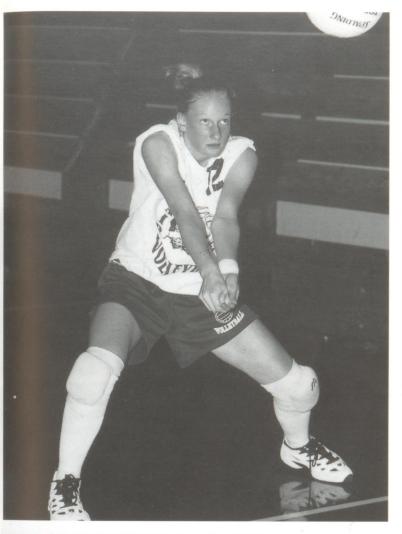
Varsity Cirls Volleyball Team: First row: Kelli Herod, Kelly Deckleman, Christine Hwang. Second row: Grace Chen, Lisa Weir, Susan Huang, Naomi Gottlieb-Miller. Third row: Coach Changuris, Nicki Reed, Jennifer Tung, and Joanna Mauer.





So high that I can reach the sky! 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.

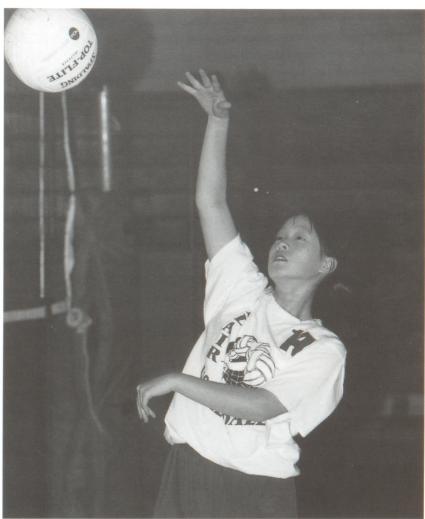
Hop to it! Middle-hitter sophomore Nicki Reed snaps into action and prepares to volley a beauty for the varsity team.





Wow, practice sure paid off! Freshman passer Cynthia Chang stares astonishingly at her hit as fellow junior varsity player Jeni Yang looks on.

Spike that mamal Junior Christine Hwang, opposite-hitter and defense player, uses perfect form in gracefully serving the ball.





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



Junior Varsity Cirls Volleyball Team First Row: Coach Demers, Mandy Wiese. Second row: Jenni Lai, Jaime Bartlett, Semora Ergun, Cynthia Chang, Jeni Yang. Third row: Rebecca Celotto, Rachael Hurd, Liselle Moses, Laura Armstrong, Rebecca Segal, Qian Wang, and Danielle Russell.

A Spiked Punch Boys Volleyball

server's forehead. It is the team's chance to win, the that the game depends upon him, the key hitter springs into the air spiking the ball and winning sweet packed a spiked punch. victory for his school.

This is a normal game for

standards and play a vicious game. score is 14-13. He swiftly swings When asked to describe Blair's boys' his arm upward, releasing his volleyball team, Jesse Miyoshi reforce to let the ball fly. It hurls plied "a threat." Coach Changuris beitself into the air, soaring above lieves that the Blazers have prothe heads of the opposing front longed their tradition of being truly line. At the last moment, an op- competitive, and will continue this ponent in the back row lunges custom always. The team's goal of into a dig, propelling the volley- exceeding last season's record of ball back into the air. Knowing 12-2 was met head-on with strength, determination, and skill. The Blair Blazers once again proved that they

-Jean Montgomery



It's as easy as pie...Coach Changuris expains the correct way to set a ball during an after-school volleyball practice while the boys look on ever so intently. One cannot have a short attention span when playing an intensive sport.

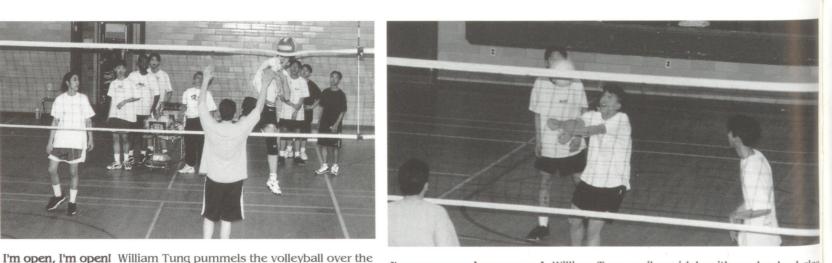
net forcefully to an alumni helping out during practice.

weat trickles down the the boys volleyball team, Players are First row, left to right: James Chuo, Xiao Ke, Derrick Chuo, William under the pressure to meet their own Tung, Ming Lui, Jeffrey Tien, Thomas Nguyen, and Ms. Changuris. Second row, left to right: Khalid Hassan, Jesse Miyoshi, Chris Li, David Ma, and Stanly Lui.



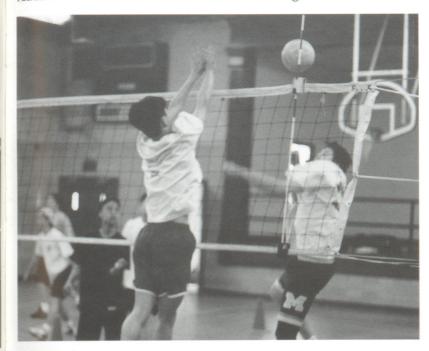


Able to leap tall buildings in a single bound...What's that in the air? Is it a bird, is it a plane? No, it's Derrick Chou! Does that boy have a pilot's license?

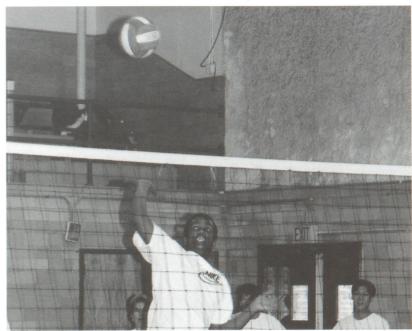


I'mmm soooo happppyyyyl William Tung smiles widely with unabashed glee as the ball glides into the cradle of his arms.

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.

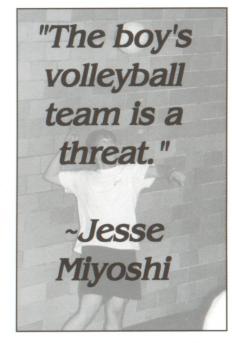


Tiger, tiger, burning bright...Khalid Hasson fiercely growls in anticipation of sending his prey into flight. Aggression and determination are always useful in a competitive sport like volleyball.





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.





Digging in the dirt...David Ma instinctively lunges into a dig, one leg bent to absorb shock, arms outstretched to meet the volleyball. With all of his experience and determination, David, as a returning player, sets an example for new athletes on the team.



Fly like a butterfly, sting like a bee... Senior and returning player Jesse Miyoshi effortlessly springs into the air to send a forceful spike to the opposite side of the net.

Kicking Out the Competition Girls' Varsity and Junior Varsity Soccer

he girls' soccer team started their season off with a Sostek, and juniors Tamira Guevera and Alyssa Hughes. Unfortunately 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 Robert Gibb had a good time coaching, just striving to make his last year at this field and school a positive one.

This year's junior varsity, coached by Ms. Rohrbaugh, 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

This year is not only the last year at Blair but our last year with girls' 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 year here was both successful and fun.

~ Kate Mines



Concentrate... Freshman Lauren Poness tries to concentrate on not only keeping the ball away from her opponents, but also getting it somewhere! Soccer is a sport which requires concentration on more than one thing at a time. 198

few strong returning varsity players. Among them were "Let me at the ball..." Junior Anna Browne says as she pushes senior Jenny seniors Deena Daniels, Sofia Gonzalez, and Katrina Hong aside and takes the ball from senior Jenna Khan. Soccer practice scrimmages tend to bring out either the best or the worst in players.





"Here I come!" 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.



"Stretch those muscles!" Varsity Coach Gibb shows his team the correct way to loosen up before playing.

scrimmage teammate, as freshmen Jennifer Livengood tries to cover while keeping the ball away from senior Jenny Hong.





Keeping an eye on the ball...Freshman Angela Brunneke sets up to slam the ball downfield.

'Out of my way!" Freshman Katie Riley fights to get the pass from her "Faster than lightning..." Sophomore Nicki Reed dribbles down the field





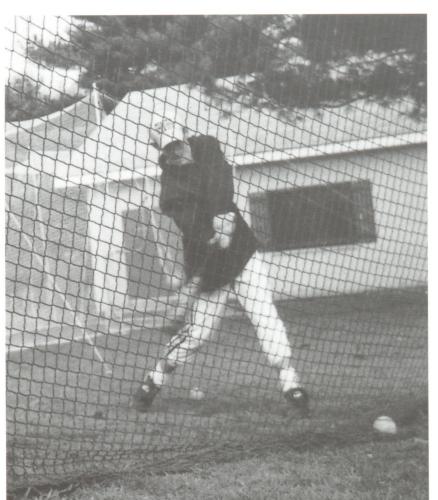
Buddies...Seniors Katie Oaks, Denna Daniels, and Lisa Rufino give each other a friendly hug. Some of the team members have played together for three or four years and have become very close.



"Twist and Shout!" Senior Jenna Khan twirls around while trying to confuse her defender, senior Amanda McMenamin.

FORE! Junior varsity outfielder David Murvis swings a little low to hit the ball. It does not matter what sport it resembles, as long as the ball is hit, the team is happy.

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





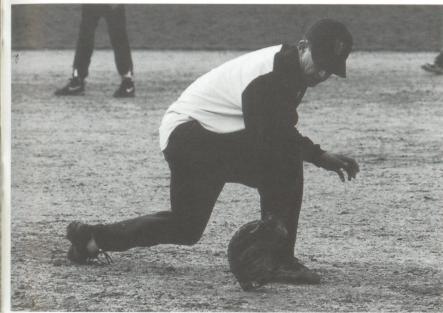


leagues, the thrill of the game still inspires the players.

Batter Up!

Varsity and Junior Varsity Baseball

Let's Play Twister! Varsity outfielder Brian Nolan twists his arm to catch the ball. Baseball players often end up twisting in all different positions to save the



Tou're at bat. There are 2 outs, 3 balls and 2 strikes. The whole game is riding on this last pitch. What other sport could it be, but baseball, the all-American tradition that people of all ages have always enjoyed. 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 born.

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 offseason. I knew that we were going to be a competitive team, and I was right," says varsity coach, John Macdonald.

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 Gimourginas. The team is definately looking foward to the new Blair's fields and to great future sea-

-Tammy Shapiro



Man oh Mannyl Junior varsity second baseman Manny Stockman swings at the ball during practice. Practice makes perfect, and the junior varsity team practices hard during their season to be as good as they can possibly be.

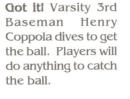


Take Me Out to The Ball Game...Junior varsity third baseman awall Not too bad...Junior varsity captain Ted Mann looks on at the team with apthe ball to swing. Even though high school baseball is not the majo proval. The captains often have the job of looking after the team during practure the ball. He is focused on his target.

"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









Maybe if I hit the ball they'll let me out of jail...Varsity pitcher Dan Herbst swings at the ball during practice. Sometimes the nets of the field can feel a little bit like a jail window.

Covering all the Bases

Varsity and Junior Varsity Softball

that the bases are closer together. Indesputable. They claim 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 shortstop can throw you out that much easier. Tell a softball 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 an even higher level than last year. The junior varsity is shaping into a strong team, building up from a large pool of fresh talent. The JV and varsity have thrown, ran, and hit their way to success. With these Blazers out on the field, it's no wonder softball looks so easy.

~Rob Gullixson

hey say the ball is bigger. True. They argue that the "One scoop, please." Varsity sophomore Britt Bowers snags a grounder and pitches are slower. Sometimes. They even point out sets up for the double-play. Bowers finds that practice and repetition are what it takes for a flawless game.





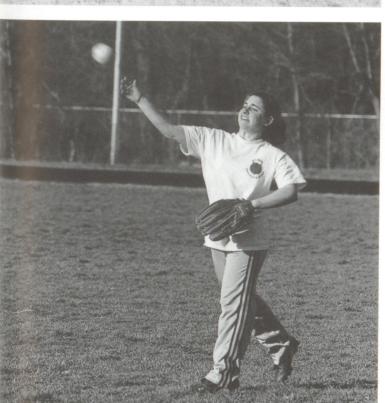
Three and two. With a full count and two out, varsity Senior Nicole Phipps gets ready to swing for the fences.



"Here it comes," calls junior varsity freshman Sarah Cox. While work- "Negative. Down and give me twenty." Despite it being his first year, Varsity

Air Blazeri Varsity senior Binta Bah leaps to snag a fly ball, sending yet another opponent back to the bench. Sometimes a play comes down to nothing more than raw athletic ability.







Sitting pretty, but ready to attack. Junior varsity sophomore Julia Keister watches the bases and awaits the next pitch. Players have to be ready to react in a split second.





Return to sender. Varsity sophomore Kelly Deckleman displays the sportsmanship she has learned on varsity as she prepares to give their opponents back their ball- via air mail.





ing together to build a team, the junior varsity learns that communicoach Frank Stallings didn't take any backtalk from his players. cation is an important part of teamwork.

Champions of the Court Boys' Tennis

"It is really wonderful to work with a team like we have this year, where everyone knows that working together is the only way to win."

-David Ngbea

the team's coach, was counting on the fresh tal- into a formidable tennis team." ent to hold the team together. "Division 1 is very hard on a young team", says Coach Ngbea. "Many tennis. Judging from Mr. Ngbea's lighthearted attiof the kids had not played together, and we tude, this season has been another success for the needed very strong teamwork to win."

Leading the team's cooperative spirit were what they can do next year. returning seniors Danny McBride, Alex Epstein, Howard Hsieh, John Urban, Andrew Waterman, and Michael Sun. This leadership was well displayed at the beginning of the season against Paint Branch, BCC, and Wheaton. Through the season, perserverance became the team's driv-

he Blazer boys' tennis team came off last ing principle. "One of the good things about havyear with another season of glory, but when ing a young team, is that they have no preconcepall the dust cleared, the team realized that tions." As Mr. Ngbea explains, "They came into the it had lost many of its key seniors. Mr. Ngbea, year with the abilities, but I was able to mold them

Thus concludes another year of Blair men's red and the white. And we're all waiting to see

~Jonathan Lane

"Excellent Form." Like a rocket, junior Epson Chiang sends the tennis ball hurling back toward his "Practice, practice, practice." Says boy's opponent. The correct form is essential for superior level play, it also makes you look better.



tennis coach David Ngbea. The team that practices together wins together.





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.



Double Team. Two of the team's star seniors, Andrew Waterman and Alex Epstein, stand ready to receive their opponent's serve. Good preparation before the point is just as necesary as good play after the serve.



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



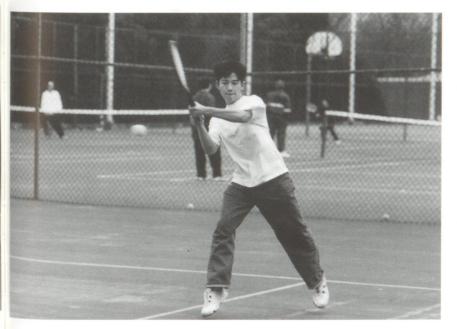
Sizzling Servel The faster the racket, the quicker the ball. But it's not all about power, as junior Alex Berengaut proves. His combination of finesse and speed make an intense combination.



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



serving look easy as he follows through on another excellent slam. Serving is the first shot of the rally so it is very important to get it right.



Blazing Back-hand. Senior Howard Hsieh returns a cross-court shot with a thundering 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 Danny!" The tense moments in a game are when tennis gets truly exciting. Danny McBride lunges to get a shot, returning

Acceleration Of Excellence

It's a bird, it's a plane, no pressed about how well our middle wait...It's the Blair Outdoor

competitive events.

The team, led by coaches

Mr. 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-

stretches before and after practices.

Track Team! These young The requirements to be on athletes of tomorrow definitely earned the name of Superman or woman. Each of these athletes worked hard to improve their times and records, but at the same time they also enjoyed the faster and jump higher, said Mr. Hogewood.

> Blazer team always ran or walked with their heads held high and their fierce spirits glowing from within.

> > -Socheata Saim

distances ran!

this team were weightlifting, conditioning, constant running, extreme focus, and lots of dedication. There was really no motto for this team, "I just expect them to run

On or off the track, this

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





Up we gol Junior Joseph Lee strengthens his leg muscles by doing plyometrics.

'Come on, I can take you." Junior Ben Norkin defends his goal while he awaits his opponents.



ers' spirit was still very competi- vowed, "We'll win next year." tive. The season started in were twenty minutes long in- Changuris Cup. stead of the usual fifteen minute games. Teams were eliminated

Too Cool For Ice

With fewer teams than one by one until three were left. last year, the floor hockey play- Junior Peter Do of the Vipers

The championship was a early December and ended in Round-Robin Tournament in which late February; the goal was to the three teams played each other win the Changuris Cup. It was and the team with the most wins divided into two divisions with became the champion. The toursix teams in each. Each divi- nament consisted of The sion team played each other on Lunchboxers, Seniors with Skills, and off until playoffs. Playoffs and Code UnKnown. Although all were even more intense than three teams played with a fierce enthe regular games; they were thusiasm, Code UnKnown came matches of elimination that out victorious, winning the

-Socheata Saim



"Clear it!" Junior Mike Buckout-White desperately chases after history teacher Bob Gibb for the puck. And who says that teachers can't play hockey?

Floor Ho	ckey I coreb		rals
Teams	Wins	Loses	Ties
Division I			
Lunchboxers	6	2	1
Vipers	5	3	1
Morningwould	6	2	1
6 Pack	1	8	
Seniaz w/Skills	5 5	5	
Las Papusas	2	6	1
Division II		18	
Arthritics	3	5	1
Gumshoes	9	0	
Squishy Bears	3	5	1
Code Unkown	8	1	
Doomsday	0	9	
6ft Sticks	3	6	



Let's get physicall The track team loosens their muscles by doing various

Go for the gold! Freshmen Rishi Kipour and Rishi Gupta strive to break their records



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



'Qet the puck!" yells Senior Danny McBride to his teammates seniors Yoshi Manale and Mauricio Lozano as opponent Junior Jesse Hull lunges for the puck.



"Go team go!" Numerous students come to watch the floor hockey games to cheer on their team.

Running Strong Race Against Time

Ithough this year's cross country team was not Ms. Bosse, was impressed with **L** extremely successful record-wise, both the girls and year, especially runners who were the boy's teams came up strong in a big meet, and the runners 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 compete in two invitational team was hoping to do well. Led meets. by strong performances by seniors Jonah Berger and Tony Irish, the boy's team defeated BCC. The girl's team gained a victory with fast times turned in by senior Arianne Boylan and sophomore Sarah Iams.

Scorebox 9/16: Girls-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 9/30: Girls-Blair 45, WJ 18 Boys-Blair 50, WJ 15 *Note- The team with the lower score wins.

Just a little bit longer, we can beat them. Junior Lilly Goldman, sophomore Sarah lams, and senior Arianne

Boylan try to get ahead and beat their opponents in a race

The cross country coach, the large turnout of runners this new to the sport. "We had a big team this year, about half the kids were new to running, and everybody improved their times."

A highpoint for the team this season was being able to

The team expects to have a strong season next year with most of the runners returning and with the experience they have gained from this year.

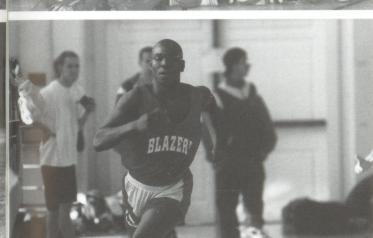
- Joanna Mauer

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Roylan, Christy Cheng



came up big in the sprint events.

blur of red and white team. Led by senior captains Ira Rothberg, the team ran successfully against the other county schools, and the runners improved their times consistently throughout the season.

The team had strong comevery county school was repre- unity and spirit were great." sented However, in many events, the Blazers were able to outrun runners who will be returning next their opponents. The team was es-year, the team expects to take even pecially strong in the boy's and girl's 4X200 relays, the 55 meter dash, and the mile event.

Another high point for the flashes by. This is the im-team this season was being able age of the indoor track to have members of the team participate in field events. Senior Arianne Boylan, Abby Curran, and 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 petition at all the meets in which teams I've been on. The team

With the large number of more positive strides.

- Joanna Mauer



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



On your marks, get set, gol And they're off... The boy's cross country team starts off a race, trying to get "I'm 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 corner of the track during his 300 meter race. The Blazers



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.





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

against BCC.

Blazing Across the Green

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

that wonderful setting, give yourself some balls shots out of the sand traps all worked together to give the Blazers their exceptional 4 and 3 record for the golf season.

"Most people just watch golf on TV," said Andrew Haskell, the team's MVP. "But when you're out there playing, it's exciting. The game can swing in your favor or slip out of your hands in just one hole. You never know what's going to

The beautiful landscaping, lovely open spaces, geese, rabbits, and ducks, were a complete escape from tests, homework, washing the family car, and taking out the trash. There's hardly a place on the fairways where a 7-Eleven, a gas station or a fast food restaurant can be seen. In

links. Great drives, accurate putts, crisp chip 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. Itsa great game. Just ask Vo, Hiro, Christie, Andrew Pael, Sumick, Grey or Mr. Creedon. Any one of 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 lot. He led the team to a four-win season this year, three more victories than last year. Quite an improvement. It's Mr. Creedon's emphasis on learning and improving golf skills that has made this years team a success.

Setting an Example

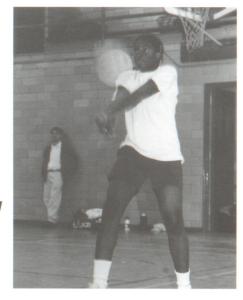
etter than butter, baby! Larger than life! We're own superstitions to shake off the presall that and a bag of chips!" Bill Hull exclaimed, alluding to the prowess of the Montgomery she hasn't lined the ball up right in her Blair co-ed volleyball team. Combining the top dogs of boys and girls volleyball brought fear into the eyes a good serve, she has to bounce the ball of our opponents and wreaked havoc on their plays. twice before striking the ball. David Many new players provided fresh new talent to the Moreno always makes sure that he's power and experience of the veteran players.

Only the truly tough can withstand the pres- and games. sures of a sport. A player has to perform under the regular confines of schoolwork, teachers, homelife, and their own personal standards. When asked what motivated her to play the game, Jamie Bartlett replied that "it was the continual moral support of her fellow teammates, hearing her friends cheer for her, and the intense satisfaction she gets out of complet-- Jonathan Lane ing an incredible play! Some players make up their

sure they feel. When Semra Ergun feels hand, or if she fears she will not provide wearing his lucky black Nikes in practices

Co-ed volleyball truly represents the diversity of Blair.

~Jean Montgomery





"A little more to the left..." Junior Andrew Haskell was voted team MVP. Thanks to Andrew's performance on this hole, he helped Blair eke out its narrow victory over Wheaton High.



The Whole Team. From the upper left, Ricky Hyde, Hiro Katoh, Rob Fairbaim, Gray Eyes on the Prize...Bill Hull and Grace Chen hold their breath, bracing Sandridge, Andrew Haskell, David Reiner, and coach Peter Creedon. On the lower level, From left to right are Joel Jang, Ryan Martinez, Soumik Pal, Joel Ryan, Edde the net. Moments of anxiety take hold of every athlete, but with a row, left to right: Joanna Mauer, Gary Yang, Beau Simms, Bill Hull, Yoshi Salwin, and David Moreno.



themselves for the moment when the volleyball comes hurling over strong will, they pull through.



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



"So when do we tee off?" Team captain Gray Sandridge discusses strategy with Coach Creedon. Anxiety is one of the usual symptoms before tee-off time.



high school students are not allowed to drive the Sore wrists. carts.

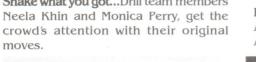


"Where's my favorite tee?" Senior Christie Chang Rest and Relaxation...Juan Fernandez and Semra Ergun thankfully rest their searches her golf bag with the help of Hiro Katoli. aching bodies, listening to Coach Demers gives advice after a grueling prac-Chauffering the team is coach Peter Creedon, as mere tice. What's a volleyball player's most vocal complaint by the end of the day?



Shhhl Be very quiet, I'm hunting...Beau Simms pensively licks his lips, lowering his body into a dig to propel the volleyball upwards. The ability to concentrate under pressure is a key element in volleyball.

Shake what you got...Drill team members crowd's attention with their original





Football Poms, front row: Bella Augustin, Frewoine Mehari, Jovana Baylor, Laticia Washington, Reina, 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 Taylor. Second row: Lindsay Beck, Jill Hogan, Puthyka Sin, Alicia Antiri, Cheryl, Halima Karim, Staci Lightfoot, Stephanie Rivers, Nicole Pridgen



Red Hotl Pom members Simone Aparte, Jovanna Baylor, and Angela Taylor, show off their Blazer spirit



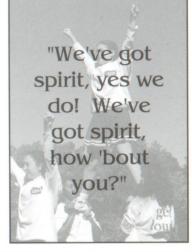
Moving to the Beat... Poms captain Lisa Baccala finishes off a routine smiling. as always

Keeping Up the Spirit Poms, Drill, and Cheerleading

hey are the girls behind the spirit. Moving group of girls, says cheerleeding captain Jennifer the Blair 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 prepare and gain skills without all the stress. The JV girls have the freedom to try fun new things", says coach Working.

Beginning with summer practices, members of spirit teams practice after school while performing on weekends and at night games. "Cheering requires a lot of commitment and hard work. We're lucky this year to have such a dedicated

Moore. But hard work is also mixed with laughter and fun. Drill team member Jameelah Carter explains, "It's not easy work, always learning and teaching new moves, but we are lucky to have a lot of spirit and love this year. Our special closeness made practices and performances even better." Poms captain Lisa Baccala agrees that it's the girls who make cheering so much fun. She 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.





Soaring High. Fourth year cheerleader Nicole Benders jumps high into the air while completing a perfect russian



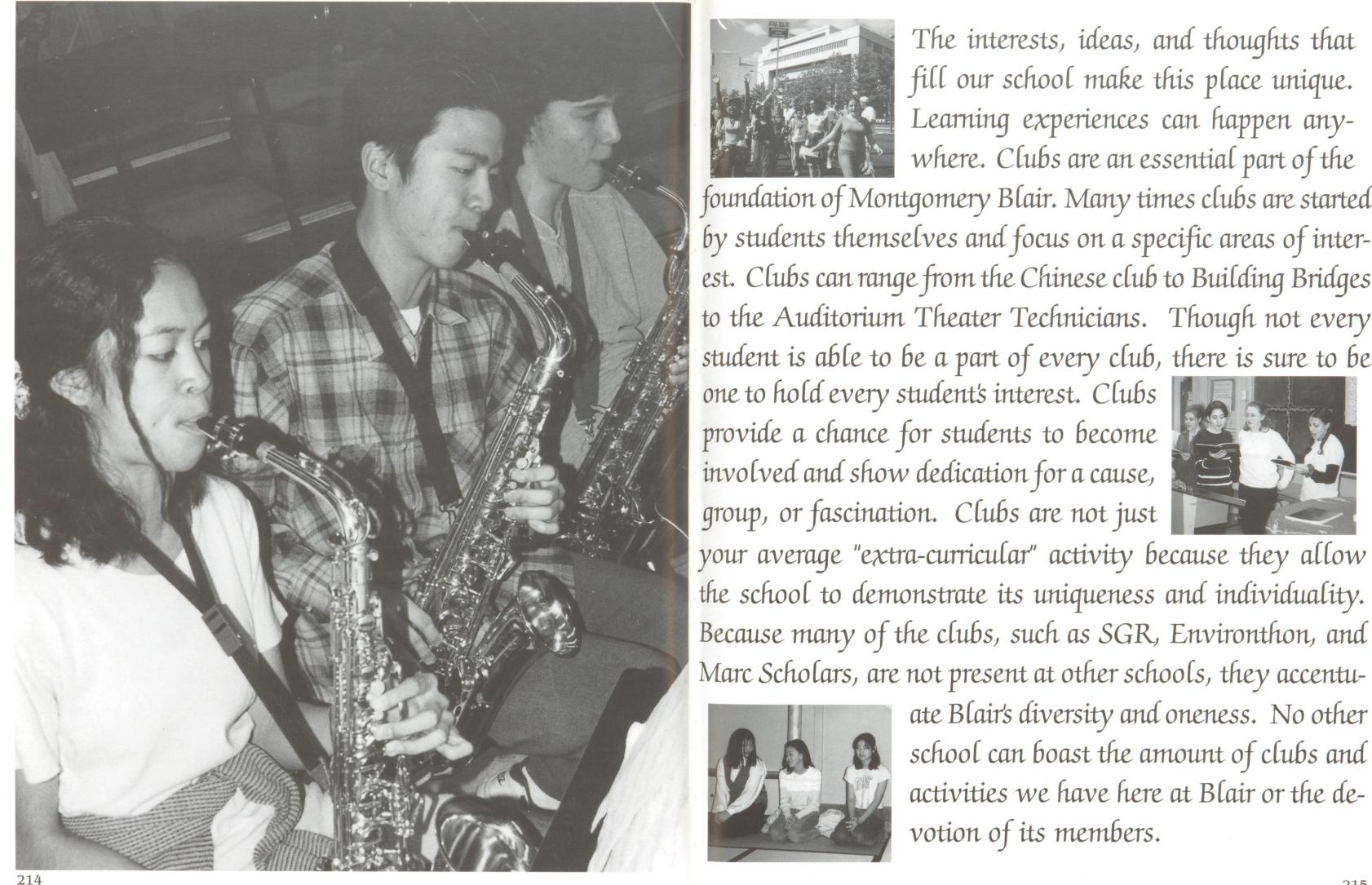
Watch us blaze. Cheerleaders Grace Nieh, Midhi Gupta, and Tenay Guvendiren hang out with the Blair Mascot.



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



Varsity Squad, first row: Lisa Rufino, Naomi Benders. Second row: Kendra Tappin, Laura Holloman, Midhi Gupta, Jennifer Moore, Nicole Benders, Colette Knight, Maritiza Harris, Katie Shelton, Ronnie Djoukeng, Shana Weiner





The interests, ideas, and thoughts that fill our school make this place unique. Learning experiences can happen 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 Chinese 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 hold 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



ate Blair's diversity and oneness. No other school can boast the amount of clubs and activities we have here at Blair or the devotion of its members.

Building Bridges

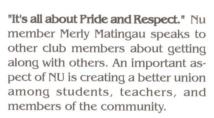


First row: (Right to Left) Rosemary Carrol, Norca Salas, Shontay Hayes, Vincent Ray, Brian Nolan, Daniel Nakamura, Adele Kenyon, Christy Cheng, Jonah Berger. Second Row: Caryn Fisher (sponsor), Nora Achrati, Katie Oaks, Deena Daniels, Nicole Dade, Cindy Gunrai, Sarani Mukhurji, Angela Ellsworth, Esther 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 Giron, 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 Pictured: Debbie Truman, Erik Reed, Jackie Chamey



Firsrt Row: (Right to Left) Daniel Watkin, Kevin Hume, Tres McNair, Ransford Tetteh, Adolph Wright, Ben Dzieketey. Second Row: Garcia Volcy, Biswjit Kundu, Kimani Darasan, Ricky Tijero, Eric Harper, Malik Goodman. Third Row: Jamel Love (advisor), Eliot McIntosh (sponsor), Vincent Ray, Dominique Brogden.



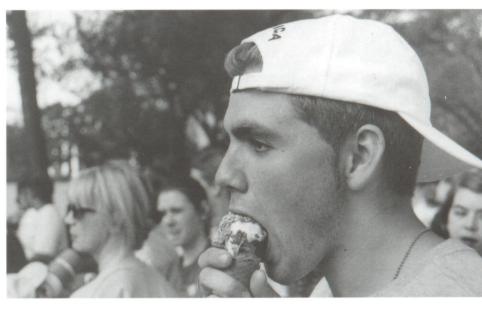






I scream, you scream, we all scream. .. Senior Matt Fagan takes a break from the Aids Walk to enjoy a nice cold ice cream cone. A refreshing treat and the knowledge that he is helping people made the day an enjoyable one.





Envirothon



"And then the squirrel said to the tree..." Senior mem-

ber Luke Burgmann entertains fellow Envirothoners by

telling a nature joke.



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

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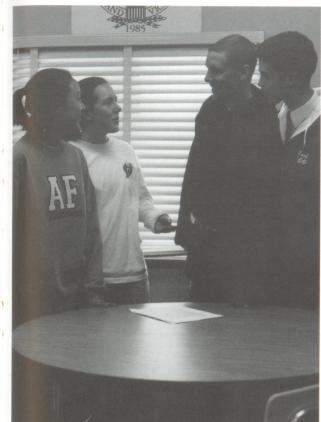
First row: (Right to Left) Jennifer Li, Namita Kothary, Violet Fernandes, Christopher Lindsay, and Michelle Clive. Second row: Sean Leventhal, Claire Sandberg-Bernard, David Rosenblum, Tanya Lee, Philip Jones, and Wesley Tilkens.



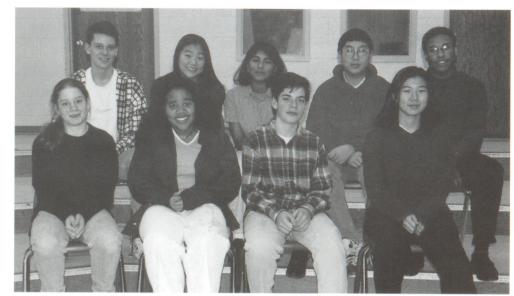


How very interesting...Nicole Martyn and Claire Sandberg-Bernard scrutinize Blazer submissions to Silver Quill, Blair's literary magazine, aimed to publish the best of students' poetry, short stories, photography and artwork. In the past, Silver Quill has won many prizes for their outstanding representation of student art and although it is not a primary goal, Silver Quill hopes to win the Columbia Scholastic Press Association Crown Award.

POLITICALLY INCORRECT...Debators Anna Jeong, Kelly Deckleman, James Gimourginas, and Zack Tessler argue the pros and cons of affirmative action within our society. Students who participate in this club have to think fast on their feet and always need a factual comeback in store for their opponents. Team members sharpen their speaking and logic skills and argue assorted individual vs. team issues.



Debate Team



First row: (Right to Left) Sarah Iams, Melissa Coleman, Yergeny (Eugene) Brudno, and Jiehal Park. **Second row**: Jason Rubenstein, Jackie Mah, Charitha Gowda, Michael Fun, and Ronald Holsey.

Silver Chips



First row: (Right to Left) Madeline Friedman, Amanda McMenamin, Danny McBride, Bernice Mirku, Irna May Flores, Katrina Sostek, Naomi Gottlieb-Miller, Vincenza Davis. **Second row:** Mr. John Mathwin (sponsor), Daniel Schwab, Emily Gould, Sarah Stella, Rachel Wiley, Arianne Boylan, Katy Califa, Mary Anne Anderson, Jessica Salvatore. **Third row:** Ronald Holsey, Ariel Levis, Alex Epstein, Joseph Lee, Benjamin Singer, Diana Veiga, Christine Dobridge, Vivian Lee. **Not pictued:** Celia Zwerdling, Nicole Phipps, Cheraine Stanford, Dan Kaufman, Brian Nolan.

"Victory!" Triumphant senior Christine Dobridge cheers over her latest story as (clockwise) juniors Elaine Mernick, Bernice Mireku, and Mary Anne Anderson debate another headline. At the same time, junior Ariel Levis (foreground) and senior Ellen Malone (background) separately ponder potential topics. They are all part of the dedicated Silver Chips staff which informs and entertains Blazers with an award winning newspaper every month.



First row: (Right to Left) Marcus Baker, Rachel Mandel, Elgen Strait, Vincenza Davis, Jessica Salvatore, Jiehae Park.





"You expect me to say THATI?!" Forensics members (back row) Marcus Baker, (front row) and seniors Adele Kenyon, Rachel Mandel, and Jessica Salvatore explode into laughter while trying out the latest potential piece for a meet. Members bring their favorite stories to life at county-wide oral reading meets competing in categories that range from children's literature and drama to informative works.

orensics

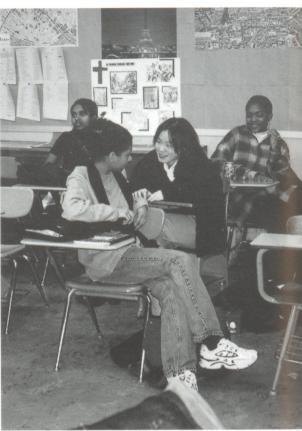
French Club



First Row: (Right to Left) Agnes Alkenor, Kamwanya Mulumba, Sandrine Fouefack,

Second Row: Delizia Ondjokov, Ariel Levis, A. Loomis.

"Wow, French is fun!" 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 a chance to learn about the culture.



First Row: (Left to Right) Jason Lunn, Fredy Alberto, Hironibu Katoh, Andy Kaylor, Justin Honeycutt. Second Row: (Right to Left) Darian Harvey, Evan Crump, Hugh Davis, Samuel Trahan.

"I've got culture, yes I do," thinks Senior Andy Kaylor while he makes green tea at a tea room as an onlooker watches. Foreign language clubs often took interesting field trips to a variety of cultural sites.



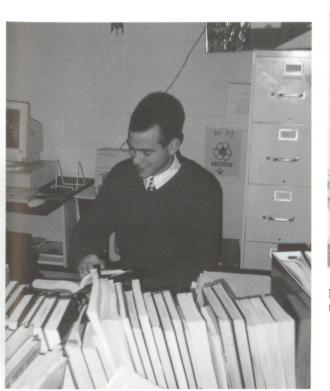


Planning is the key to success! Members of the Celtic Club discuss future club activities which include an assembly and watching Irish films. Many clubs plan up coming activities to display their interests in all aspects of the culture.



First Row: Emily Gould, Bao Nguyen, Ned Wilbur, James Cooney, Susan Beautty, Evan Crump. Second Row: Chris Cloke, Amanda Grigsby, Darian Harvey, Fredy Alberto, Anronio Condelli, Leah Church, Elgin Strait.

Latin Club



Ideas, Ideas, Ideasl Mr. Lynch diligently works in

the foreign language office brainstorming ideas for

the next Latin Club meeting. Often, sponsors spent a lot of their free time planning discussion topics

and activities for upcoming meetings.

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

Japanese Clul

First row: (Right to Left) Max Massa, Justin Ho, Joanna Katz. Second row: Persis Yu. Third row: Ethan Strike, Kisana Gesuwan, Juliet Drake, Kara Guthro, Ms. Josey (sponsor). Not Pictured: Tammy Shapiro, David Sensenig, Adam Jentleson, Greg Mol.





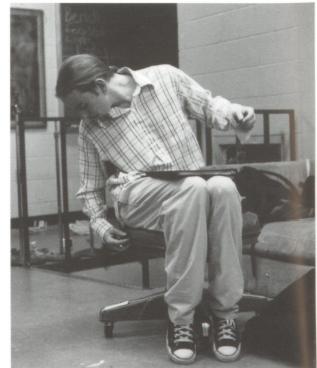
Memorization is the key. . .Senior Kara Guthro looks over her part for a Pit Orchestra production. Not only did members of the orchestra have to spend a large amount of time practicing the music, they also had to work hard familiarizing themselves with the pieces and overcoming pit fright.

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.

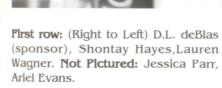
Breaktime. . .Senior Ben Jacoby takes a break from his rigorous duties to take a twirl around. As a member of ATT, tasks include assembling the lighting for the school plays as well as for many other school productions.



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



First row: (Right to Left) Anne Sutkoff, Diana Ekelman, Whitney Treseder, Elinor Lichtenberg, AmandaGrigsby, Fredy Alberto. **Second row:** Susan Beatty, Andy Kaylor, Gillian Hurley, Samuel Trahan, Rebecca Coppola, Pete Collins. **Third row:** Hugh David, Bao Nguyen, Robin Metalitz, Tim Dooley, Darian Harvey, Justin Huneycutt, Jason Lunn, Melanie Carson, Diana Klimanis, Ramon Sola, Jean Montgomery. **Fourth row:** Mr. Kaluta (sponsor), Micah Evans, Pavlo Padilha.

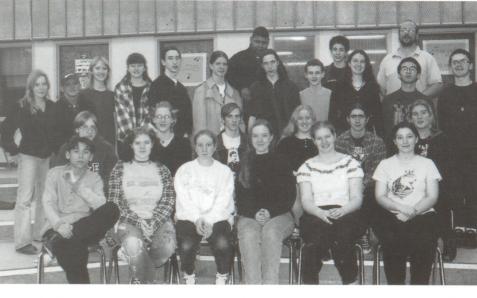






"Looks kind of small to me," thinks junior Shontay Hayes while she holds up a costume to sophomore Ariel Rubin. The costume committee makes many of the costumes seen in the school plays. They work long hours making alterations to ensure that everything fits just right.

Stage Crew



Costume Committee

WBNC

"Out of focus," Senior Lillian Teng warns junior David Dzenitis as junior Lauren Wagner looks on. WBNC staff members spend many hours carefully planning, videotaping, and editing to create a top-notch professional production studio. Students run every aspect of the station, from managing to producing and engineering shows for actual television broadcast. WBNC prides itself on quality, and staff members can often be found working long hours after school to ensure perfection.

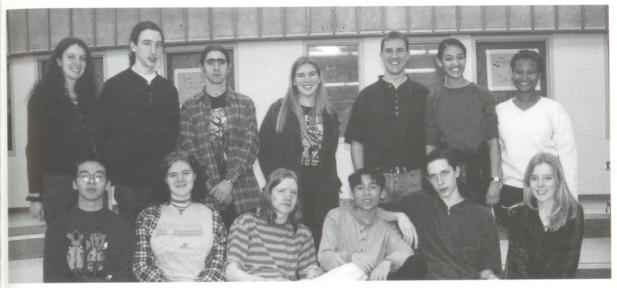




Please pass the paper ... Preparing for a grueling Shakespeare rehearsal, Christina Vang distributes scripts of A Winter's Tale, a tragic comedy, to sophomore Ian Strouse and freshman Justin Osborn. Along with analyzing and acting out the plays of the greatest Elizabethan playwright, this club aims to preserve the wisdom, beauty, and comedy of Shakesphere's plays. Under the direction of sponsor Kelly Newman, these students not only get the satisfaction of performing drama, but the opportunity to compete in the Shakespeare Festival at the



Thespians



First row: Bao Nguyen, Amanda Grigsby, Evan Crump, Fredy Alberto, Darian Harvey, and Jean Montgomery. Second row: Robin Metalitz, Jason Lunn, Andy Kaylor, Susan Beetty, Joel Neubauer, Cynthia Addai-Robinson, Nicole Milson

All the world's a stage...and Blair thespians the players! Nicole Milson, Joel Neubauer, Cynthia Addai-Robinson, and Noah Himberger read through a script of Anything Goes, Blair's spring musical. Knowing not the definition of the term stage-fright, these students courageously show playgoers the meaning of life through laughter and tears.



Shakespeare

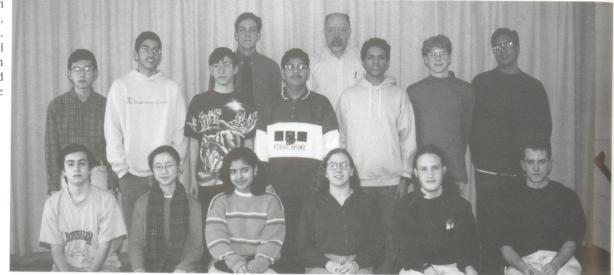
First row: Nadine Scott, Daina Klimanis, Melanie Carson, Jennifer Cooper, Kristina Vuong, and Ian Strouse Second row: Kelly Newman (sponsor), Michelle Clive, Diana Nolan. Not Pictured: Justin Osborn, Diana Ekelman, Adrian Spencer, Dan Church, Kerri Needleman, Rebecca Coppola, Christopher Lindsay, Samantha Lockwood, Jill Hogan, Matt Alexander.



Folger Theater.

It's Academic

First row: William Pastor, Susan Huang, Rachana Oza, Joanna Katz, David Waldstrom, and Caleb Fassett. Second row: Shawn Kwang, Ravi Kacker, David Rosenblum, Manish Gala, Jacob Paul, Andrew Mills, and Kaushik Roy. Third row: Jake Lee and Mr. Lasco.





Eyes on the prize...Andrew Mills and David Rosenblum focus intently on a video of their opponent, Seneca Valley, in order to prepare themselves for a mind-boggling tournament. Under the fine leadership of Mr. Lasco and Mr. Lee, these highly devoted intellectuals travel to high schools all over the county and to colleges to compete against scholars and prove that Blazers always come out on top.

MARC Scholars



Front row: Jose Palacios, Neela Khin, Josh Ammons, Crystal Terry, Kevin Hume, Teddy Bempong, Eric Harper. Second row: Mr. McIntosh (sponsor), Ray Davis, Monna Khan, Sergia Mars, Adolph Wright, Gyasi Khafra, Latricia Washington, Malik Goodman, Wendell Hurton.

Minority Access to Research Careers Scholars is open to students of African American, Hispanic, Asian, and Native American nationalities. It provides academic enrichment in major areas of education. MARC Scholars help students in obtaining scholarships, and providing internships, field trips, and mentors. Students feel that this is a very successful and productive year. Crystal Terry is an active member of Marc Scholars.





Only the Best. . . Sponsored by Chemistry teacher Dr. Torrence, the National Honor 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 year their size has grown from past years. Senior Juliet Drake is one of NHS' many members.



Mock Trial

First Row: Gabriel Ehrlich, Melissa Coleman, Kassy Bernard, Shada Rouhani, Jennifer Song, Leslie Shope, Susan Shen. Second Row: Nora Achrati, Marla Dunn, David Ma, Gray Sandridge, Rob Fairbairn, Chris Cloke, Louis Breger.





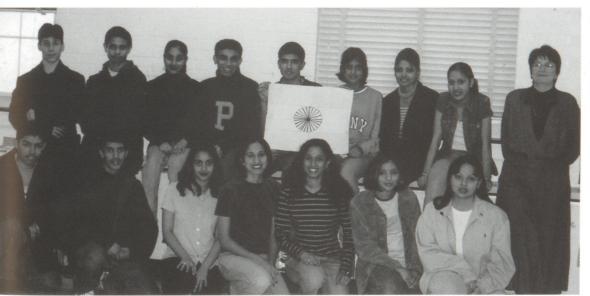
Playing Fair... Senior David Ma practices holding the law in his hand, as he and junior Kassy Bernard discuss court cases. They are preparing for an upcoming competition with three other schools. Could we be looking at the future of the justice system?

Christian Fellowship



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

Indian Club



First Row: Cruz Campos, Ashish Goel, Sarani Mukherji, Manu Sharma, Kripa Sundarajan, Sonali Chitre, Monna Khan, Second Row Ari Krause, Tarunesh Chand, Sonia Mukhery, Puneet Bhatia, Navin Bhutani, Cindy Gunraj, Shafeeza Alli, Nareena Alli, Mrs. Cooke

Banner Of Pride. . . Senior and class President Manu Sharma scrutinzes a picture of India's flag. With the help of Ms. Cooke and seniors Cindy Gunraj and Kripa Sundarajan, Manu decides the best way to display the cultural banner.

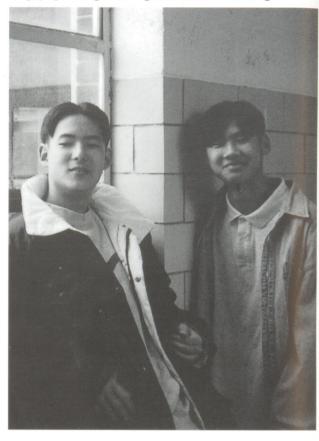


Korean Club



First Row: Jinah Chang, Steven Yu, Jessica Shin, Joel Jang, Peter Jang. **Second Row:** Jennifer Hong, Anna Jeong, Michael Lee, John Cho, Eunice Lee, Jennifer Song

"Come on, we need more practice!" Freshman Steven Yu and sophomore John Cho talk about the upcoming rehersal. The Korean Club prepares a traditional dance for Magnet Arts Night every year. They dance to Korean music, wearing traditional costumes. At the end of the year, Korean Club raises money to go on trips like Kings Dominion. Otherwise, members just enjoy spending time together at club meetings.



First Row: Mai-Thuy Pham, Yenvy Hua, Hoang-Anh Dang, Thuy Vo. Second Row: Andy Tram, Thu Nguyen



"Let's do the salsa!" Members of the Hispanic Club practice dancing for the Hispanic Heritage Assembly. Although the assembly fell through, the club members were able to engage in valuable cultural experiences. The Hispanic Club planned many fun trips that they were able to go on as a result of money raised from successful candy sales. Members always enjoyed getting together to discuss their common

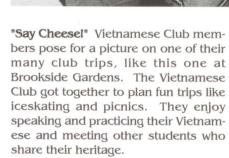
heritage and customs.



First Row: Katya Palacios, Ellietta Lazaro, Adriana Rodriguez, Jessica Mayorga, Maritza Gonzales Second Row: Jose Herrera, Israel Rubio, Jose Moreno, Nidia Vividor, Jorge Moreno



Vietnamese Club





"So, when's our next club meeting?" Members excitedly stop Chinese Club president, senior David Ma in the halls to inquire about their next meeting. Chinese Club met to hang out and discuss cultural issues.



Chinese Club



First Row: Emery Lin, Jennifer Tung, David Ma, Gary Yang, Andy Mu, Grace Nieh. Second Row: Howard Hsieh, Derrick Chou, William Tung, Chris Li, Hironobu Katoh, So-Ching Chen

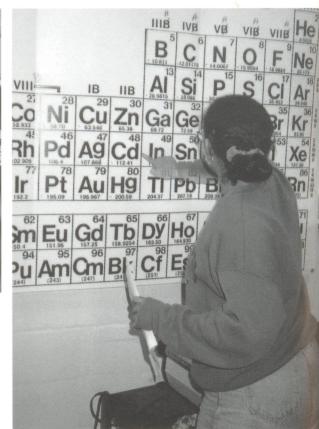
Ski Club

Chemistry Club

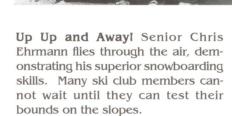
"Gosh, the Periodic Table of Elements can be very helpful," thinks junior Violet Fernandes. Many students use learning tools to assist them in figuring out answers to problems.



Four heads are better than onel Chemistry club members Ani Manichaikul, Jean Zeng, Kitty Leung, and Violet Fernandez discuss an extremely hard problem. Many students utilize other club members as resources when attempting to solve a difficult problem.



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







First Row: Mr. Segreti, Lily Huang, Joe Huang, Chawanwong Slvuning, Quan Nguyen. Second Row: Akhilmen Oniha, Dung Ha, Anderson K. Manwarren, John Tran, Fiteh Zegeye, Latricia Washington.

Coach gets the first frame. Robert Segretti, sponsor of the bowling team warms up with his team. Many coaches took the opportunity to polish their skills while simultaneously demonstrating the correct form for their favorite sport.



Physics Club



"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.



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.

Jazz Band

First Row: Adam Kielman, Michael Heller, Zarah Cabanas, Richard Lee, and Gregory Mol. Second Row: Eric Schewe, David Sensenig, Brendan Bass Marra, and Christian Cloke. Third row: Eli Pousson, Jacob Aboudou, Adolph Wright, Adam Jentleson, and Ethan Strike. Fourth Row: Edwin Morales, Andrija Tokic, Aaron Weiman, Steven Helfand, Andrew Haskell, Carlos Chadha, and Amy Schultz. Fifth Row: Jascha Ephraim, Michael Backhout White, Mr. Harry, Alexander Hoskins, Matt Lambert, Fred Irby, and James Hansen.





Trumpet away, guysi Junior Ethan Strike, senior Adolph Wright, junior Adam Jentleson, and freshman Jacob Abadu jam in the bandroom under Mr. Harry's direction, along with saxaphone trombone, piano, drum, and string instrument players. It takes a lot of practice to put together a band that can win second place at the Montgomery County Jazz Band Festival and numerous other awards.

Orchestra



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

Beautiful Voices



Chamber Choir

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

Show Choir

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





InToneNation

First row: Christine Vest, Rachel Carlson, Rachel Stewart, Grace Santos, Beth O'Brian, Kerri Needle. Second row: Derrick Chou, Diana Nolan, Gary Yang, Eric Chiu, Allie Herr, Emily Yanisko, Jesse Metcalf-Burton, Noah Himberger. Not pictured: Daniel Church, Ben Israel, Eli Pousson, Jen Tung.

Yearbook

Kate Schroll Jessy Sribnick **Chris Ehrmann** Celia Zwerdling Lisa Pineles Yen Lam Elizabeth Brescia **Kate Mines** Jamie Haig Patrick Callahan Anh Mai Jesse Erdheim



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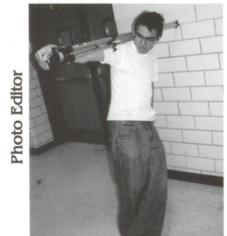






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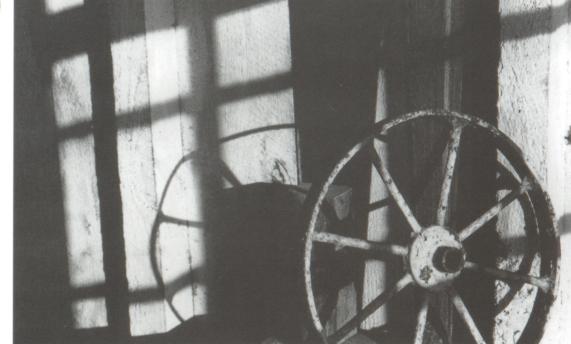


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First Row: John Kaneshige, Christina Garcia, Olivia Smith, Lauren Wagner, Ned Wilbur Second Row: Brenda Kao, Lisa Soutar, Chris Ehrmann, Ryan Diamond, Frank Stallings (advisor) Not Pictured: Naomi Gottlieb-Miller, Philip Jones, Kevin Oakley



63 years in the making

A Retrospective by:
Howard Stone and Debbie Truman



1938-We Wish You A Merry Christmas. Several students decorate a hallway with a Christmas tree in celebration.



1935- In Blair's inargual year, we had a glee club. To the left is a picture of a club which is now defunct in our school. **Back Row-**Carpenter, Myers, Miles, Graeves, Jenkins, Alden, Taylor. **First Row-**Williams, Finchman, Holloway, Cross, Smith, Wilkinson, Phillips.



1942-With America's favorite pasttime being baseball, this is a picture of Blair's 1942 baseball team. It included: E. Baker, K. Baker, O. Brockdorff, D. Clark, B. Collie, P. Curtis, A. Dodd, C. Fincham (Captain), P. Heizer, P. Kirby, T. Knight, D. Marlow, R. Mayor, T. Mullican, G. O'Niel, B. Rodeffer, W. Simpson, J. Stanford, J. Theofield, E. Wurdeman, D. Weiss.



1955-This group of girl blazors, are dressed up for a homecoming dance. The extent to which young people went to get ready for such dances and formal gatherings, was common in the early to mid 1950's.

1954-A young man holds the door open for a lady entering the library, a show of curtisy.



1945-The United States drops two nuclear devices onto Hiroshima and Nagasaki ending the Second Great War, shocking the world.

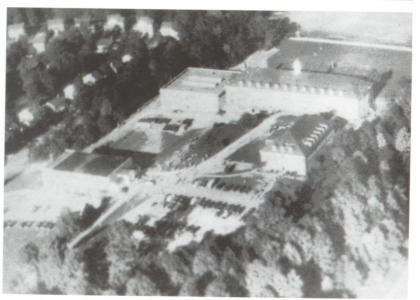
1935—Montgomery Blair High School, consisting of only today's C-building, opens on Wayne Avenue.

1957-Cheerleaders Sue Turner, Sandy Dillard, and Nancy Alkire ride in the style at Blair's Homecoming parade.



1954—Brown V. Board of Education; one of the most crucial decisions on civil rights ended school segregation in the United States.

 $1950\mbox{-A}$ birds eye view of Montgomery Blair High School in September of that year. Notice that A-building, E-building, and parts of F-building are missing.



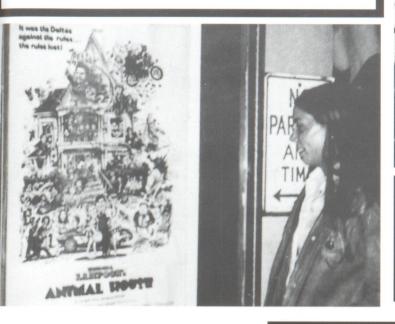
1956 -School chaplin Dan Fallon and his committee leads the student body in the daily Bible reading of the Lord's Prayer. Such practices are now forbidden in the school.





1957 -Blair's varsity basketball team included: D. Ricci, J.Stogo, T. Brown, S. Jones, B. Daniels, C. Castle, M. Beasley, I. Faunce, B. Goss, B. York, K. Gill, G. Kissner, G. Bell.

1979 - The blockbuster comedy "Animal House" was popular flic among Blair Students and staff.





1974 - In the court yard, Cheryl Mill and Bill Schell discuss morning classes as the sun "flicker's" across their faces.

1973-1974-The years of Watergate; the

scandel which led to resignation of Presi-

dent Nixon, and the presidency of Gerald

1963--President John Fitzgerald Kennedy is assasinated in Dallas Texas leaving behind a stunned, mournful nation.

1956--With the Brown V. Board of Education decision in 1954, Montgomery Blair High School integrates with it's first wave of black students.

1947 - A popularity poll of Blair's laziest, to Blair's Biggest Joker, it lists both the girl and boy candidates.

1968-The United States enters the conflict in Vietnam, amongst plentiful protest back home. 1968-Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. is assisinated while out on his balcony. by James Earl Ray

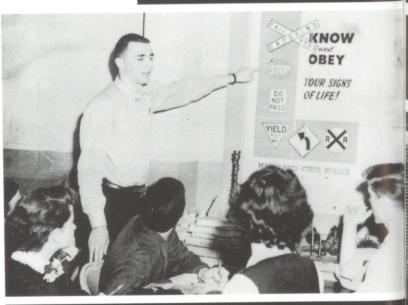
1969-- Neil Armstrong, of The United States of America, becomes the first person to walk on the moon.

1993-The seniors of Montgomery Blair High School enter as Freshmen to a building which none will ever forget.

Popularity Poll

Laziest: Best Legs: Nicest Laugh: Most Persuasive: Best "Snow" Job: Most Exotic: Best Blush: Most Amiable: **Prettiest Hands:** Well Groomed: Biggest Jokesters: Enid Bean Fedie Bohlen Rosemary Steadman Parker Kirby Katharine Bliss Tom McNeil Liz O'Connor Olie Brockdorff Sally Johnson Paul Keister Anita Crurine David Gratz Miriam Knight Jimmy Duffy Georgie Mess Margaret Lacy Stoney Mitchell Jack Shelton Gloria Brown Tommy Haislip

John Thompson Sprigg Duvall



1956 -Remember when you shelled out over \$200 for driver's education? Here, students took the course for free, as an elective in school. Driver's education was cut in a budgeting move by the county.



1983 -Can you guess where this is? It's the breezeway, when it was once open, not closed off to the sunshine like it is today. It was nick-named the Smoking Hall as it was the only place students were allowed to smoke in the building.



1984 - In a more modern library, Beade Minasse, Evans Malyi, Walter Tita, and Kaituta Sikyaia relax after a busy day at school.

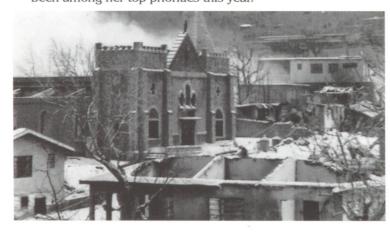
A Look Back At Mother Tereso



The Year of the Woman. The Women's Basketball Association burst onto the sports scene and was received with much enthusiasm by basketball fans previously exposed to only male basketball. This league proved that women are indeed great athletes. Because of this breakthrough, women have left their mark in basketball.



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



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



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 learn 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 India for "the poorest of the poor." In 1950, she founded a religious order called the Missionaries of Charity. Among her awards for her work, Mother Teresa received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979.

The Year... '97 - '98

Mother Teresa Princess Diana



1961-1997

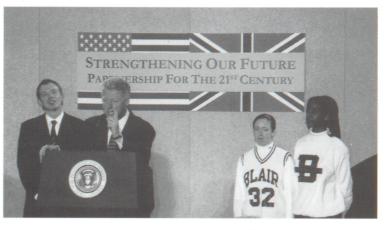
"I think Princess Diana's death was very tragic. I only started to read about her when she received all this coverage after she died, and it was touching!"

- Junior Rameez Abbas

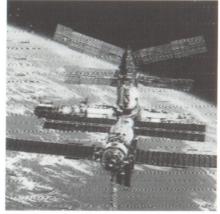
"I'm very sad because she was a major role model in my life. The things she did, her views on life, keep me moving on in life."

- Senior Anh Nguyen

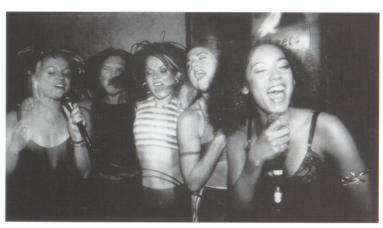
A Tragic End... Born Lady Diana Spencer, Diana is best known for her doomed marriage to Charles, Prince of Wales. A devoted mother, she also tried to help numerous causes such as AIDS awareness and ending the use of landmines. Her life was cut short at 36 in a car accident.



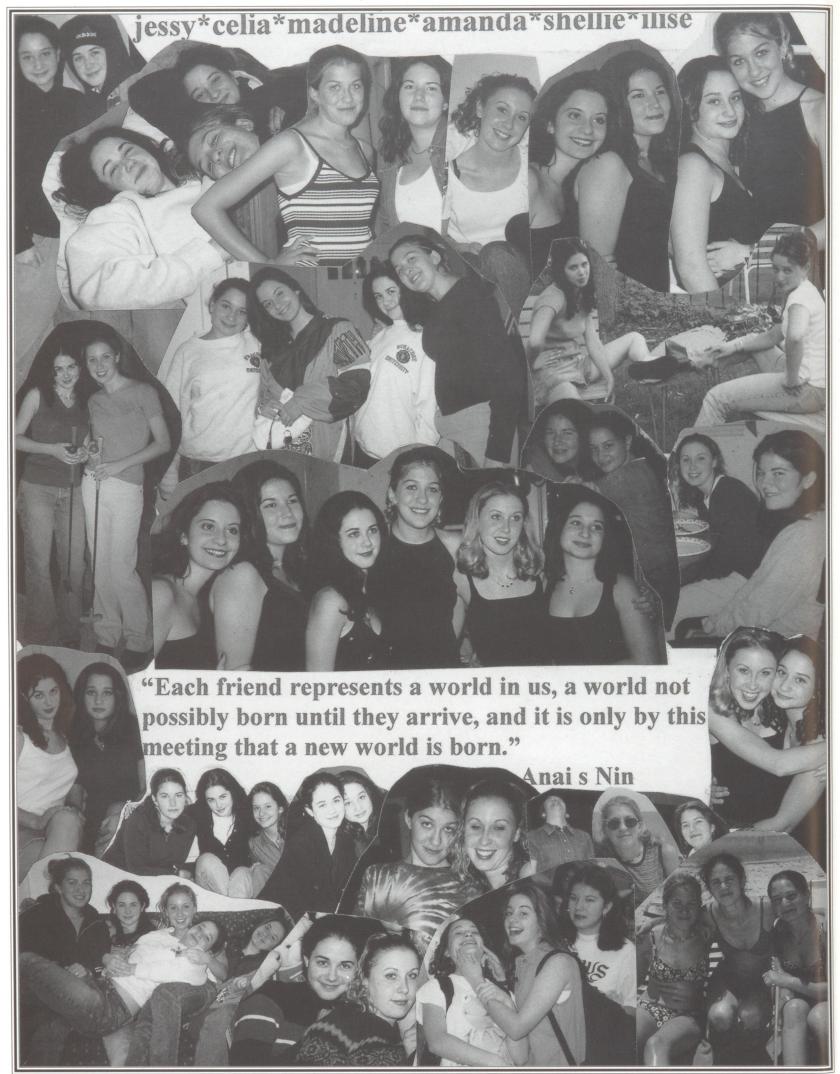
We Love You, Billi Blazer pride went through the roof when Prime Minister Tony Blair of Great Britain and President Bill Clinton visited Blair on February 5, 1998. Introduced by seniors Elizabeth O'Brien and acting SGA President Nikole Benders, Clinton and Blair received a lot of love from their audience.



It's a bird, it's a plane, no it's the Mir Space Station! The Mir space station was first launched in 1986. Since then it has 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 International Space Station which is scheduled to be in orbit by 2002.

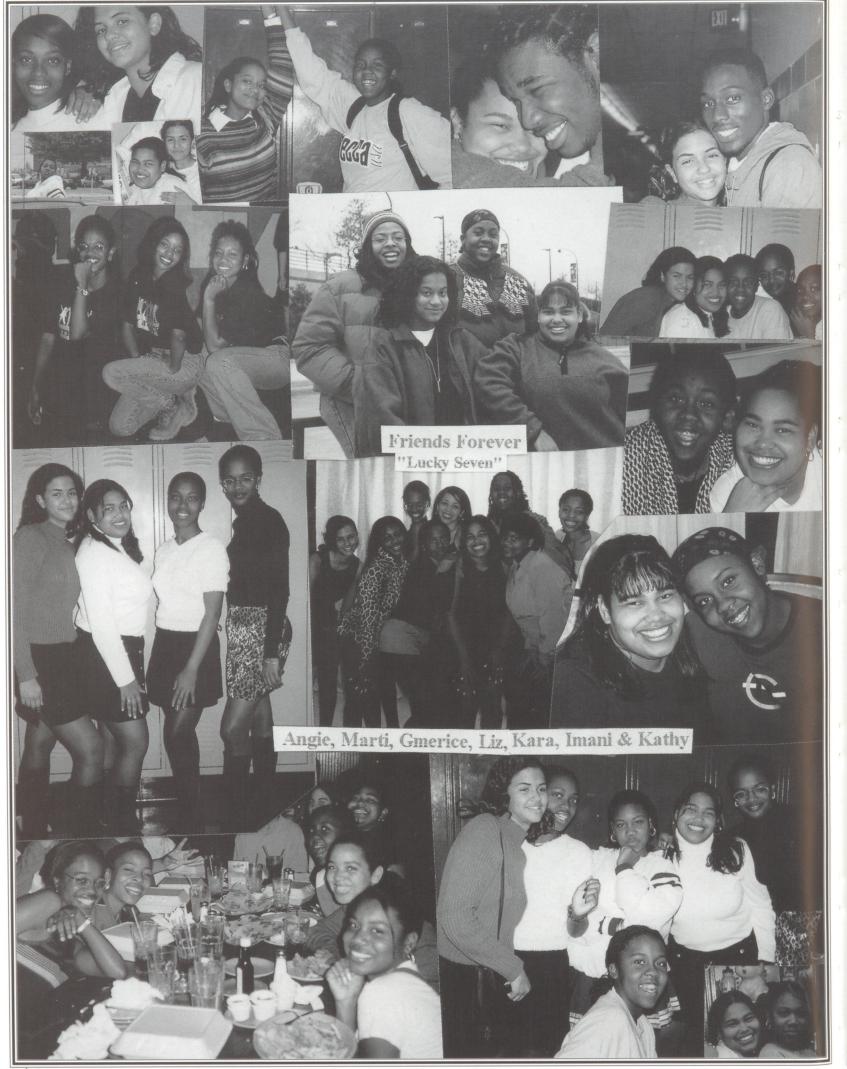


Spice Up your Life! From new albums to their first movie, the Spice Girls have been busy this year. This British all-girls pop group debuted as "wannabes", but turned out to be movie stars this year in "SpiceWorld." Baby Spice, Posh Spice, Ginger Spice, Sporty Spice, and Scary Spice all show here that fame will never limit their spirit.

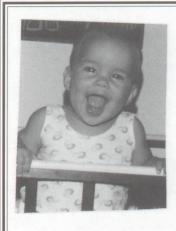














AMANDA

YOUR SMILE AND ENERGY LIGHT UP OUR LIVES.

WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU AND ALL YOU HAVE ACHIEVED.

STAY SMILING AND STRONG AS YOU PUSH YOUR ROCK UP THE NEXT HILL.

LOVE MOM, DAD & NICK



You have brought us much joy over the years and we love you. Congratulations! You have the strength, the power, the confidence and the beauty (both inside and out) to do whatever you want. Mom, Dad & Chase

Congratulations



To my big sister, Lily! I love you and I'll always look up to you. Good luck next year.

> Love, Your little sister, Gretchen









As at birth for life itself, you have struggled mightily to receive your due. By the strength of your will you have not only survived, but thrived. Our pride in your achievements, and admiration for the dedicated personal effort that underpins your success, is exceeded only by our love for you as a fine, young woman.

As you have so forcefully shown us, there is little in life that you cannot do or be. Just as forcefully, however, you have reminded us that life's passing successes are of little value if they are not accomplished with honesty, integrity - but most importantly - with love in your heart. Truly, the light of abiding goodness, decency and caring, shines through all that you do.

> We Love you, completely, Mama&Papa, Mere&Teddy, too!



Some people come into our lives and quickly go. Some people move our souls to dance.

They awaken us to understanding with the passing whisper of their wisdom.

Some people make the sky more beautiful to gaze upon. They stay in our lives awhile, leave footprints on our hearts, And we are never, ever the same.

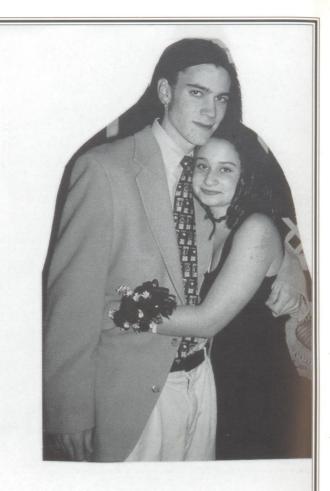
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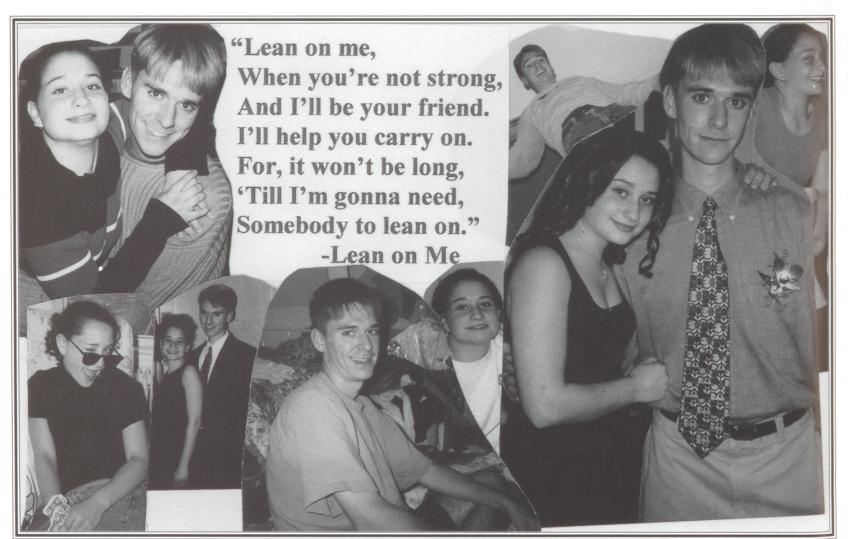
Mike,

Thanks for putting up with me, and for always doing everything and anything you could to make me smile. I'll miss you next year. Keep in touch always.

Love,

Jess









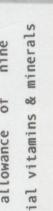


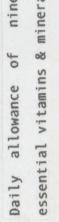














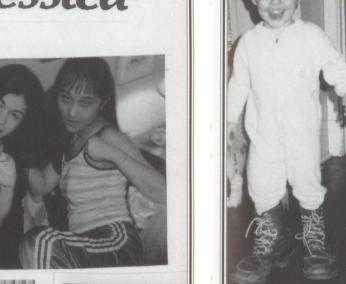
There are not many things in life so beautiful as true friendship, and not many things more uncommon . . .













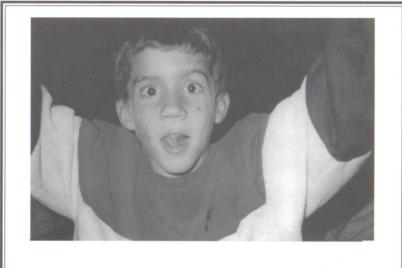




CONGRATULATIONS, WHITNEY!!

WITH LOVE,

DAD, MOM, JULIA & BETH & ALL YOUR FAMILY EAST & WEST



Congratulations Brian!

The games on the court or at Nolte Park The baby of the crew, you provided the spark! From E.S.S. to Blair, the times were always great Hitting home runs even though we were late. From wagons to bikes to forts in the snow At night playing tag, the flashlights aglow. Wherever you roam and whatever you do, Success, we know, will come surely to you!

Mom, Dad, and Patrick

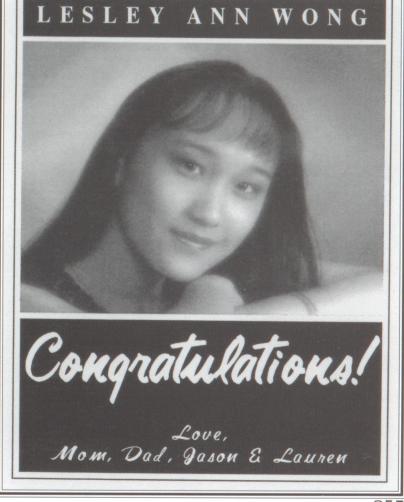


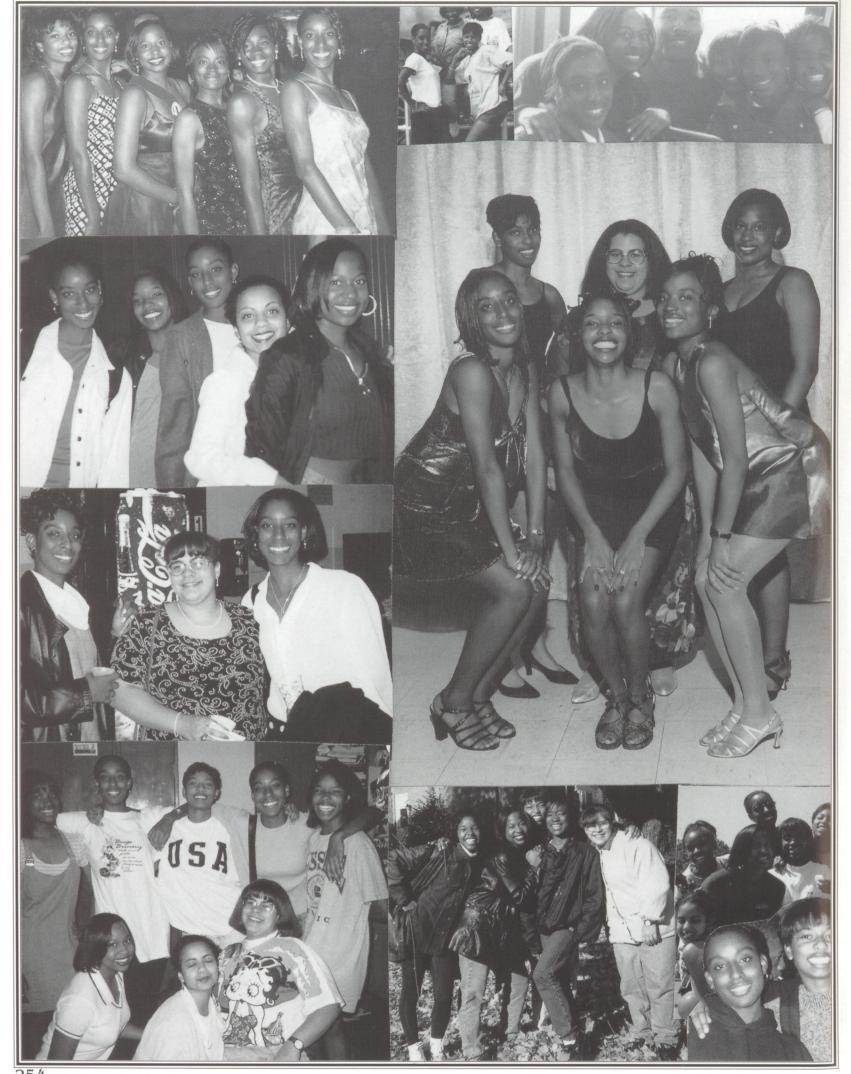
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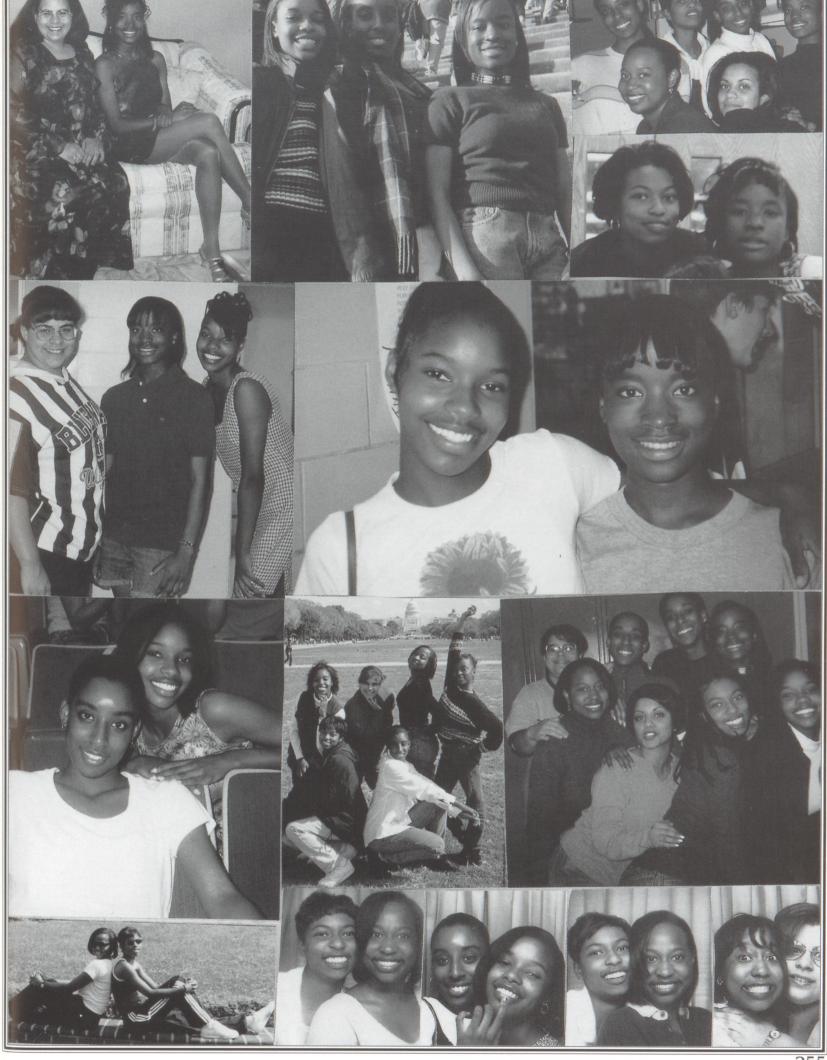
We are so proud of you and the way you have filled these boots!

Congratulations!

Love, Mom, Dad and Jenn







I'll carry your load-you're my... gumping 35 cent calls make me fall Halloween Anniversary Jump Back as fun as this is... hold the two seat Shoney's breakfast bar Shelle-belle let's play which one's? Shellie & Jessy

washing hands Sometimes in life, You find a friend; Someone who changes your life Just by being part of it. Someone who makes you laugh Until you can't stop; Someone who makes you believe That there really is good in the world. Someone who convinces you That there really is an unlocked door Just waiting for you to open it.

flashing queens Virgo horoscopes the runs go hard

Congratulations Kathy!

nose kisses

serious face

Jessy,

you're driving"

Anatomy double

B

club

Video

Killed the Radio Star

pub

FOR MY DAUGHTER - Kathy K. St. Hill

This is Forever Friendship.

BE YOURSELF

The world would like to change you; There are pressures all around. You must decide just who you are. Then firmly hold your ground.

You have an image of yourself. An ideal sense of you; And to this vision you must always Struggle to be true.

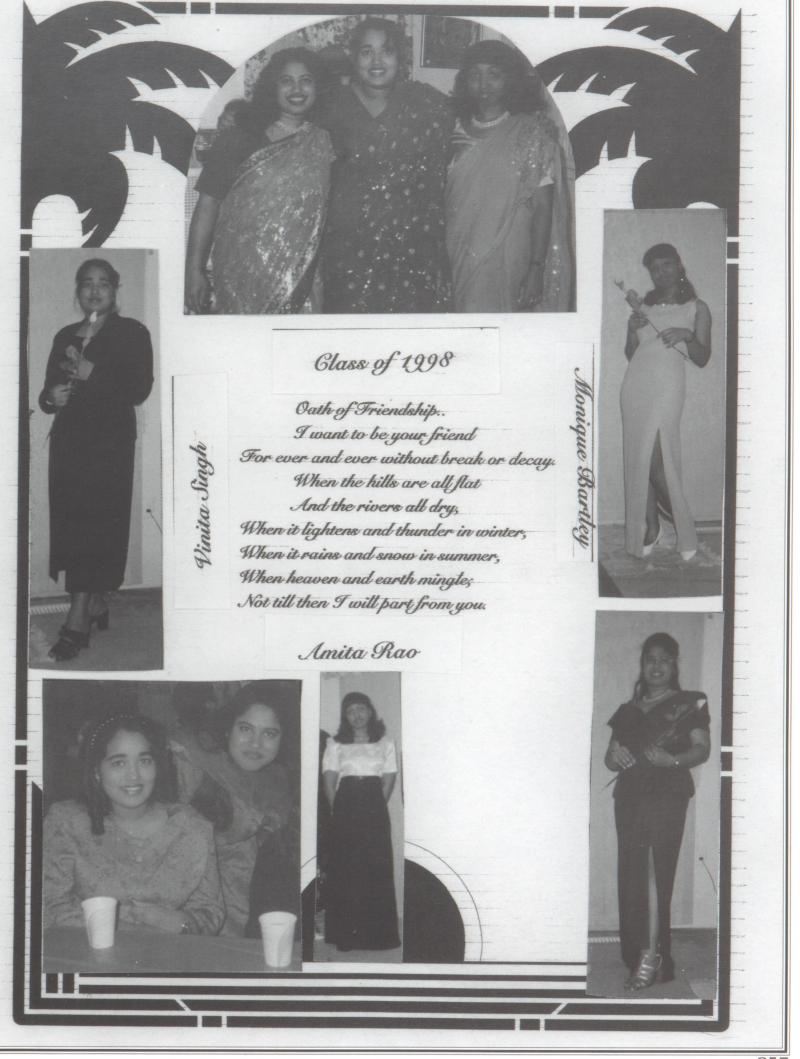
You know what you are good at. And you know where talents lie; But if you're ruled by others, Your uniqueness could pass by.

Remember there is much to learn; But all new things aren't good. Wisdom lies in what you've learned And what you have withstood.

So be yourself and don't allow The world to take control. Preserving your identity IS LIFE'S MOST PRECIOUS GOAL

- Bruce B. Wilmer-





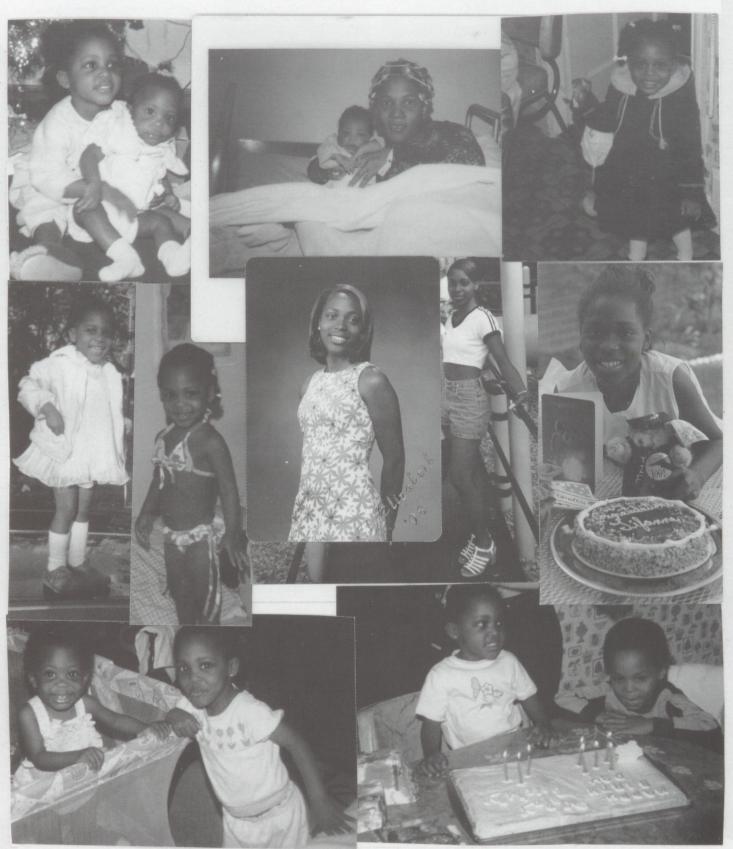
motivation

never confuse intelligence with

making faces

whoosh

Tifanne Elizabeth



"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." Isaiah, 40:31 Truly God has blessed us with your presence, from the first day you came into our lives.

Love,

Mom, Grandma, Aunt Cheryl, Aunt Diane, and Chantelle

reat spirits have always encountered violent opposition from mediocre minds."

Albert Einstein-



WE LOVE YOU JESS.

MOM, DAD, ETHAN AND JON



Jaime Louise Bauer

Such an exciting 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.





FOUR CORNER SHELL

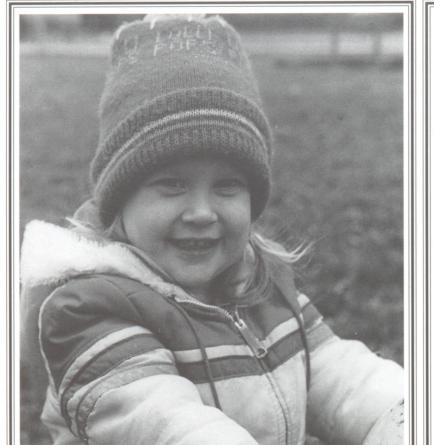
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AMMa,

CONGRATULATIONS! REBECCA S. SANDLER Willeke, Emma, Cricket, Papa and Mama



Go Wildcat!

Thanks for giving us so many years of joy. It's

Love,

Mom, Ed and Mike

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

four scup it up- cheese- New York City- A Perfect Nose for Ralph- chocolate noses- pasta smileholy war- Joanna sneeze- Mr. Kirst- jumping off Waterfalls- meteorology- foreign guys- swing dancing- barfing on New Years- yellow, barf, puke orange juice hair dye- Why dey don' hear me?- puce- pet psychologist- the jehstupid witness- Mormons- Primation Relation- naked M'Geni Mopaya- Jane Goodall- brides maid/maid of honor- coffee ice cream after hours in certain parks- poems, rhymes, and songs- Physics is so not Phun- ice skating- body checking four year olds- Breathe in (slap, hit, smack).... and Exhhhaaalllllllllle- Dan, Dan the dancing man- John 85 year old spandex sex symbol- Beth Davis and space invading- Quiescence- No I'm a bit spectacle- that is so Very- I gotta motor- Mr. T- knowing is half the

battle. GI Joe an American Hero- The Little Mermaid- second seat, fourth row, on left, boy with a black eye- There's a Boy in the Girls Bathroom- Are you my mother?- Cloudy with a chance of meatballs- Prem the butthead- SAT, who needs to go to college? - Short, tight pink or green jeans- Follicle Worms- Dead skin cells- Lisa Stevens- Edward Gould, the batman- White - Fetus Drawings- jumping in the Potomac House Christmas- Ocean City-

in the middle of a rainstorm- Green Teeth-Trastrated- Blue Footed Booby- The Seder from hell- Camel Christmas- Pancake Dinner- Jungle and Forest Green- Multicultural Markers- Aye Aye- Fourth of July without Haynes- AIDS walk, well some of it- Olmec exhibit- twins at the science fair- not too shabby- GI Jane- kayaking in my dreams- Metro rides- escaped pygmiesamber and lionel- gorilla gorilla- Snowflake, the albino gorilla- plopping in Tape World-Toy Story- You are SO Earth- How's your bio-rhythm- manicures- Chicken Out- Bathing Smith in the Furnace- watching for TV's in the forest- Tarantino as

Lloyd- Pentagon Papers- Discussions about Wica- Would you rather The second sister-Putt Putt with Akman and cousin- rollerblading in the parking lot- C D B, D B S A BZ B-Sandwich Boy- Moats hug- "Class, Always Ground yourself"- New Years- Oopsl- Searching for Emily's Synagogue- Plastercraft; are you ever open?- Chinatown Metro, don't tell Mom Cake for four at Union Station-What do we want? Animal Rights. When do we want it? Now-Romeo and Juliet-Stupid boys- Coltrane and Davis- Show me da money- I love black people-Fairy tales can come true- pie in my face- It can happen to you- I'm Dreaming of a Whei-ei-ei-te Christmas- Da Da Da De De De That's all I want to say to you- Mouse Races- Mon Oieulle Happy Tears- Tell me what you want, what you really really want- Per-sterpies- Elizabeth Shoestrings- like 7 feet tall, well maybe just 6' 12" - Dr. Badass J. Chemphyswhooperbuttinsky The Jew who loved Christmas- mudbathing on a softball field- Rachelcrantz and Stephenstern- hammock heaven- Balderdash- Shea, Goddess of the studio-Physiopscychopharmacology- car battery tradgety- synchronized swimming- "hello? Line one, please hold."- our EFAG birdies- Cootie Girl- Prom? I told you sol- 10th grade park partyrest



"A perfect woman, nobly planned, command:

And yet a spirit still, and bright,

Love. The Yearbook Staff





To Ms. Brown,

To warn, to comfort, and

With something of angelic light."

Thanks for putting up with us!



The things remembered and the moments shared are the ones we cherish with those we love.

JESSICA,

Your smile will always be a reflection

of your beauty, you have great with compassion and intelli-

gence. Your father and I are very proud of who you are. This graduation is only

your beginning there is lots more to see and do I Take your time - Don't rush.

Allour love

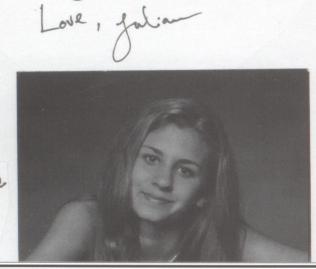
mom + DAD

we'll always be close by.

Biche, you are great! Love, Mom & Papy



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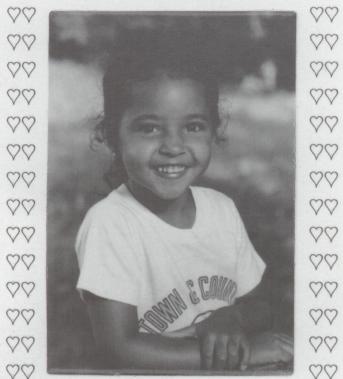
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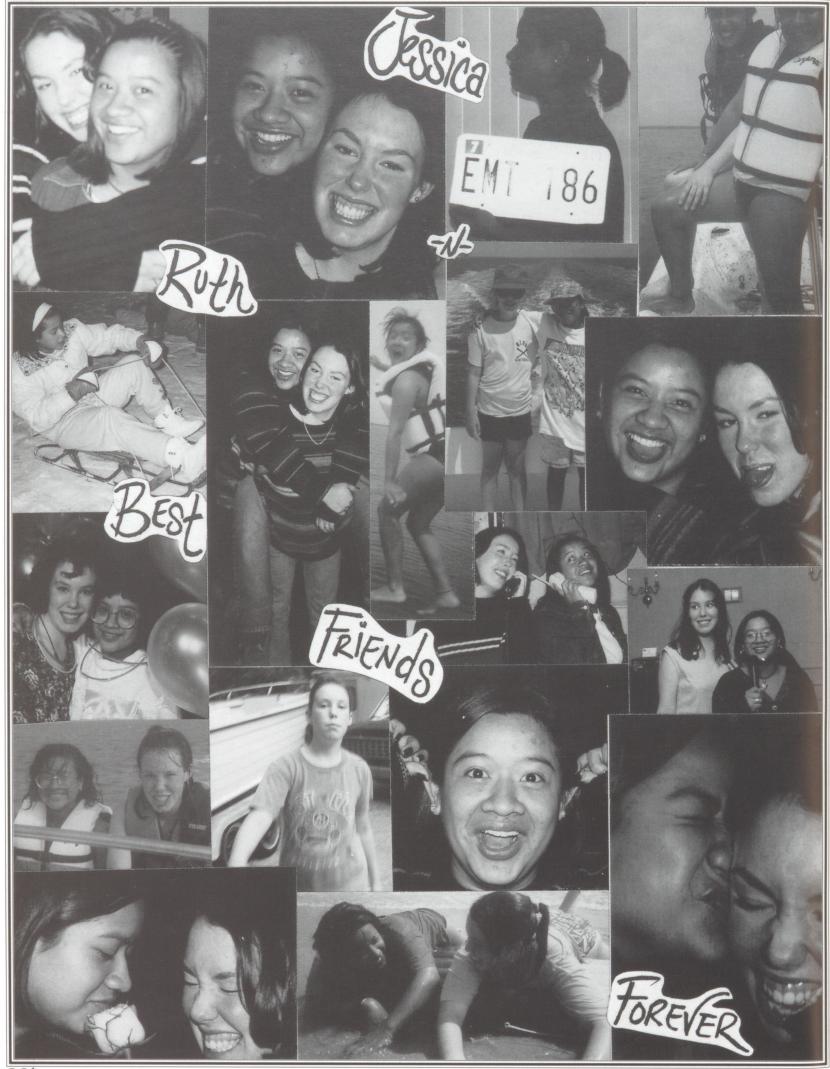








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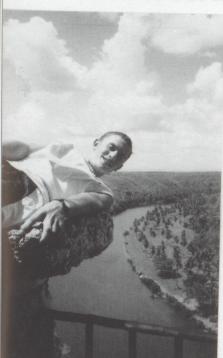
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Yinka Bada

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9th-11th- Sisters, 10th-11th-Volleyball Team, 10th-12th- Building Bridges

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9th-11th- Math Team, 9th-12th-Physics Team (President), Bridge Club, 10th-12th- Japanese Club (President), 11th-Track Team, 11th-12th- Golf Team 12th- Golf Team

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9th-12th- Pit Orchestra, Symphonic Band, Pep Band, 10th-12th- "Its Academic", 11th-Spring Musical, Thespians, 12th- Show Choir

Daniel Kaufman

9th-12th- Baseball Team (captain), Floor Hockey, 11th-12th- Silver Chips, 12th- NHS, Varsity B Club

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9th- Cross Country Team, 9th-11th- Baseball Team, SGA

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9th-10th- Soccer Team (captain), 10th-12th- SGR, Field Hockey Team, Ski Club, Building Bridges, Aquarium Club, 12th- NHS, Rifle Team

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9th- Positive Images, Track Team, 10th-12th-Cheerleading (captain), 10th-Safety Committee, 10th-11th-Sisters, 11th-12th- Track Team (captain), Class Secretary, 11th-Black History Show

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11th- Sisters, 11th-12th- NHS, Hispanic Club, Building Bridges

Kathryn Oaks

9th-12th- Soccer Team, 9th-10th-Field Hockey Team, 10th-12th-Boys Soccer Team (mgr.), 12th-Varsity B Club

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Jose Palacios9th-10th- Hispanic Club, 12th-Building Bridges, MARC Scholars

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9th-12th- Debate Team (President), 10th-11th- Environthon, 11th-12th-Spring Musical, Forensics, NHS

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12th- NHS

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Team, 10th- Field Hockey Team
(mgr.), 11th- Mock Trial, 11th-12thSilver Chips

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Lisa Pineles

11th- Building Bridges, Mock Trial, 11th-12th- Silverlogue

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Jessica Povtak

9th- Stage Crew, Costume Committee, 9th-12th- Soccer Team, Swim Team, Ski Club, 11th- Silver Chips, 12th- NHS

Claudia Ramirez

10th- Poms, 10th-12th- Hispanic Club, Safety Committee, 11th-12th-Building Bridges, 12th- NHS

Vincent Ray

9th-11th- Orchestra, 10th-11th-Chorus, 10th-12th- Building Bridges, Chamber Choir

Erik Reed

9th-12th- Wrestling Team (captain), 9th-11th- MCR, 11th-12th- Building Bridges

Brad Renuart

9th-12th- Math Team, 11th- Track Team, 11th-12th- Cross Country Team, NHS

Joanna Ries

9th-12th- Softball Team, 9th-11th-Basketball Team, 11th- Building Bridges, 11th-12th- SQA

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9th-12th- Hispanic Club, 11th-12th-Building Bridges, NHS

Charlie Ross

9th-11th- Wrestling Team, Baseball Team

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9th-12th- Soccer Team, Chess Club, 11th-12th- Track Team, SGA, 12th- Varsity B Club, NHS, Floor Hockey

Christian Rubia de Celis

9th-11th- Silver International, 12th-Football Team

Laura Rummel

11th-12th- Blazer Choir, 12th- Show

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12th-Building Bridges

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11th-12th- WBNC Deejay, 12th- SGA Secretary, 12th- Indian Club, SGA (president)

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9th- Soccer Team, 9th-11th- Debate Team, 9th-12th- Korean Club, 10th-11th- Golf Team, 11th-12th- Silver Chips, Magnet Arts Night, 12th-NHS, Model UN

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9th-10th- Silver International, International Club, 12th- NHS

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11th-12th- Safety Committee, Building Bridges

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10th-Spring Musical, 12th-Swim

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9th-12th- Youth and Government, Soccer Team, Field Hockey Team, SGA, Floor Hockey, 11th-12th-Silver Chips, 10th-12th- Building Bridges

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9th- Track Team, 9th-10th-Odyssey of the Mind, 10th- Tennis Team, 12th- Indian Club, SGA (vicepresident)

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9th-12th- Sisters, 10th-12th- MARC Scholars, Chorus, 11th-12th-Sankofa

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11th-12th-International Club

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9th- Black History Show, 9th-12th-SGA, 10th-11th- Poms, 11th- Choir, Basketball Team (mgr.), Christian Fellowship, Sisters, 12th- Gospel Choir, Sankofa, Basketball Team (mgr.), Chamber Choir

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9th-12th- Stage Crew, Prop Committee, 9th- Physics Team, 10th-12th- Magnet Arts Night, 12th-French Club

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9th-12th- SGR, 10th-12th- Building Bridges, 10th- Poms, 11th-Cheerleading, 11th-12th- NHS, 12th- Silverlogue

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9th-11th- Tennis Team, 10th-12th-Floor Hockey

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9th-12th- Tennis Team (co-captain), 11th-12th- Indoor Track Team, 12th- AIDS Awareness Committee, Varisty B Club

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11th-12th-Soccer Team

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10th-12th-SGA, MCR

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9th-12th- "Its Academic" Team, Math Team, Bridge Club, 10th-Chemathon Team

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9th-Baseball Team, Soccer Team, 9th-12th-Basketball Team

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10th- Cheerleading, 11th- Poms, 11th-12th- MCR, 12th- SGA

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9th-12th- Chinese Club, 9th-10th-Stage Crew, 12th- Hispanic Club, NHS

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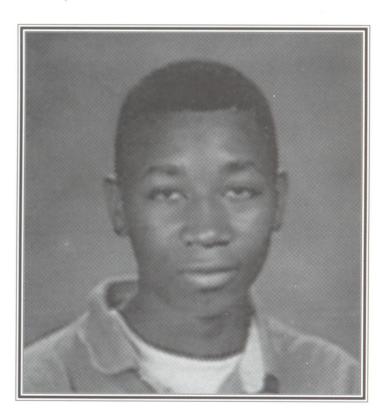
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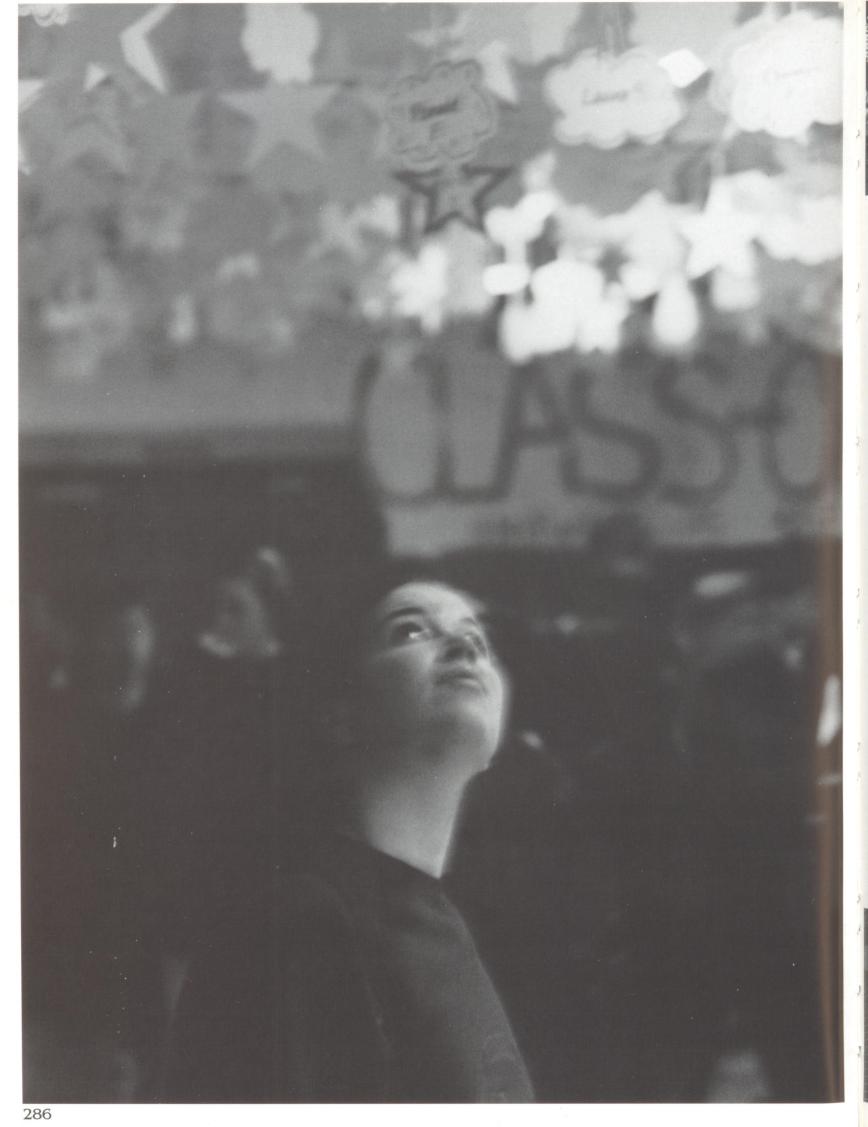
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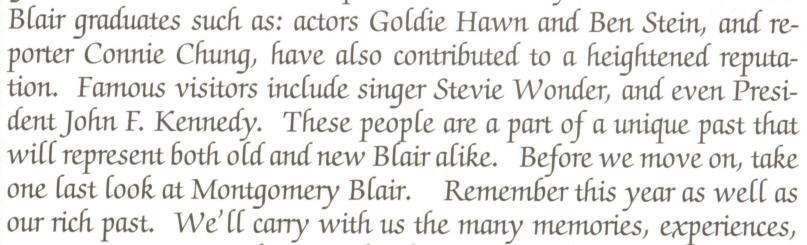




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