Home of the Braves

Colorful hall decorations, exciting sporting events, unique club ventures and required class projects are just a few of the many activities that students at Bonner Springs High School participate in. These demanding, yet inspiring responsibilities are what make our school unique and what help to separate us from other schools in the surrounding metropolitan area.

Students involving themselves in extracurricular enterprises and programs show enthusiasm and support for one another throughout the year. This spirit and devotion are essential assets in the Home of the Braves and also in endeavors yet to come.

And They All Come Tumbling Down
Mr. Rick Moulin cheers on freshmen Lindsay Russell, Marc Miller, Jennifer O'Neil, John Grabman, Sean Birdsong, and Mark Smith as they attempt to form a pyramid at the winter sports pep assembly. Lindsay Russell and Sean Birdsong both continue to chew the oreos they had to eat before moving onto the next segment of the relay race. For each event, classes are awarded points for their place in the given event. At the end of the year, the points are tallied, and the class with the most points is awarded a prize.
*Don't Splash!
Showing his bravery and sense of humor, Vice Principal Pete McDonald waits to be dunked at the T(hrow Days festivities. Many students took advantage of this rare opportunity to put Mr. McDonald 'in his place' by sending him splash ing into the dunk tank more than once.

*Caution! Junior Territory
Intertwined cords of black and orange yarn drape over the entrance to the junior hallway during the week of Homecoming. Juniors Amanda Debel, Nova Williams, and Genevieve Licard work diligently to finish decorating the junior hall before they are required to show at five o'clock.

*Absolute Seniors
Guidance counselor, Mr. Roger Mignot shows the Josten representatives the winning design that will be printed on the senior shirts. At the same time, seniors Rachel Scott, Jennifer Salazar, and Steve Mortell buy their senior announcements, caps and gowns as they begin final preparations for graduation.
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*Skipping a Beat*
Tim Erickson, as Conrad Birdie, makes Ursulas' (Colleen Rainbolt's) heart skip a beat as he sings and dances upon his arrival at Sweet Apple, Ohio. The musical "Bye Bye Birdie," was performed on the BSHS stage on November 19, 20, 21, and 22.

The tasks of a Brave seem never ending. Students cannot escape the endless hours of homework, games, clubs, and meetings. With all of these overwhelming duties, sneaking in a few hours of sleep every night before the alarm goes off seems almost impossible. Consequently, most students spend more time at school and doing school related activities than they do at their own home. School really is their second home, the Home of the Braves.
"If you could, who would you

Adam Zarda because he's cool and fast on a bike."
--Colby Scheidt, freshman

Will Smith because he has a lot of money and a great life!"
--Travis Ridenhour, freshman

My dog because he has a shiny coat."
--Aaron Miller, junior

Michael Jordan because he inspires people, and I would love to play basketball for the rest of my life.""--Cherie Stauber, senior

Bill Clinton because he's a stud!"
--Cody Vasquez, senior

Hilary Clinton because then I could lay the smack down on old Billy boy!"
--Emily Moehlman, junior
trade lives with and why?"

"Cows because they're so thin in their inner-peace."
--Blake Ritter, sophomore

"Any woman because they get to wear dresses all the time!"
--Oza Shaw, sophomore

"Mike Lemon because I like his hairstyle, even with the fleas!"
--Karlie Thompson, junior

"Bill Clinton because I want some interns!"
--Andrew Dame, junior

"Smurfette because she's the only girl in the village!"
--Jennifer Rider, junior

"God because, well... why not?"
--Matt Gibson, junior

"Boy George. He has neat dresses!"
--David Kavalir, senior

"Michael Jordan’s wife. She married my man anyway!"
--Quadra Jarrett, senior
Bye Bye Birdie Thrives on "One Last Kiss"

Laughs and shouts could be heard from the auditorium as this year’s fall musical, Bye Bye Birdie, took the stage. With a cast of Tim Erickson, Andrew Dame, Colleen Rainbolt, Cherice Ware, Josh Fillingham and John Mackey, this year’s humorous production was a big hit with the audience.

Although every stage production has its share of high stress moments, with the guidance of new director Mr. Steve Strom and his assistants Miss. Britt Adams and Mr. Brandon Williams, the cast and crew put on an award winning performance.

Mr. Strom was very pleased and comments, “Bye Bye Birdie directors and students put in many long hours of hard work. Musicals are one of the most memorable events a student takes with them from their high school experience.” This year’s performance will definitely be one to remember.

*Dressed for Success
Tim Erickson struts his stuff as Conrad Birdie in disguise.

*Under 21
Maude (Derek McCullough) denies Hugo Peabody’s (Josh Fillingham’s) request for a drink at the bar.

*Curtain Call
As the musical comes to an end, the townspeople sing their farewell to Conrad Birdie.

*Did They Really Get Pinned?
Margie (Katie Fesenmeyer) and Helen (Kalie Szewc) spread the news about Kim MacAfee and Hugo Peabody promising themselves to each other.

*Old and Ill-tempered
Harry MacAfee (John Mackey) complains to his wife, Doris MacAfee (Andrea Knutter) about her “high quality” food.
"Showing Her Wild Side
Ursula Merkle (Colleen Rainbolt) gets
down to the tunes of "You Gotta' Be Sincere."

"Final Touches
Melissa Chandley, junior, adds the
final touches to freshman Miki Mellott's face makeup before the big performance.

"Ed Sullivan!
Cast members sing the theme song to the Ed Sullivan Show.

"Oh, Baby!
Tim Erickson and Lindsay Russell take time out of dress rehearsal to pose for the camera.

"Head Over Heels
Rose Alvarz and Albert Peterson catch Ursula Merkle as she begins to faint for Conrad Birdie.

"New Friendships
Enjoying the friendships they built during the play's production, cast members (from back to front) Lindsay Russell, Megan McCluney, Miki Mellott, Meryl Miller, Kallie Szewc, and Katie Trent huddle together for a memorable picture after the show.
*Gettin' Down Tonight*
Members of the chorus show off their dance moves in the "You Gotta' Be Sincere" musical number.

*Hard at Work*
Behind the scenes, freshmen Jason Moehlman and senior Dorothy Yue work on the play's many backdrops.

*Growing Up*
Doris MacAfee listens to her daughter, Kim MacAfee as she tries to explain how she is no longer a little girl.

*Conrad Fanatics*
A group of fans await the arrival of Conrad Birdie in Sweet Apple, Ohio at a local train station.

*Quick Thinking*
Harvey Johnson tries to save Conrad Birdie's appearance on the Ed Sullivan Show, while Albert Peterson grimaces and Mae Peterson looks on in shock.
*Master of Persuasion*
Harry MacAfee listens to Albert Peterson's advice about being on the Ed Sullivan Show.

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**Bye Bye Birdie**

**Cast**
- Albert Peterson . . . Andrew Dame
- Rose Alvarz . . . Megan Hewitt
- Kim MacAfee . . . Cherice Ware
- Doris MacAfee . . . Andrea Knutter
- Harry MacAfee . . . John Mackey
- Mae Peterson . . . Melissa Chandle
- Conrad Birdie . . . Tim Erickson
- Ursula Merkle . . . Colleen Rainbolt
- Randolph MacAfee . . Jason Moehlman
- Hugo Peabody . . . Josh Fillingham
- Gloria Rasputan . . Amanda Stine
- Mr. Johnson . . . Mark Smith
- Mrs. Merkle . . . Bobbi Ridenour
- Deborah Sue . . . Miki Mellott
- Margie . . . Katie Fesenmeyer
- Alice . . . Monica Bass
- Nancy . . . Megan McCluney
- Helen . . . Kallie Szewc
- Harvey Johnson . . Mark Smith

**Directors**
- Steve Strom
- Britt Adams
- Brandon Williams

**Technical Personnel**
- Alex Chisholm
- Mary Davis
- John Mackey

**Chorus**
- Emily Moehlman, Sarah Perkins, Rachel Nelson, Rachelle Shockey,
- Alan McDonald, Travis Ridenour, Katie Trent, Mandy Goins, Bianca
- Luviano, Amber Thomas, Meryl Miller, Lindsay Russell.

**Crew**
- Aaron Beashore, Jessica Cockrell, Scott Vaughan, Stephanie
- Fesenmeyer, Mary Davis, Jack Snyder, Amanda Kirby, Jamison
- Johnson, Samantha Taylor, Eric Ferleman, Heather Herrmann,
- Danielle Smith, Kim Shockey, Kyle Grabbe, Margie Warford, Abby
- Vitt, Travis Nelson, Starr McKinney, Stephanie Craven.

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*Star Struck*
Kim MacAfee, member of the Conrad Birdie Fan Club, converes with Ursula Merkle about her feelings for Conrad and her new boyfriend.

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*Heard It Through the Grapevine*
The town's teenagers spread the latest gossip about Hugo Peabody and Kim MacAfee getting pinned, and Kim being "too cool" and Hugo being "too square."
Building Our Spirit

Homecoming '98 was an overall success. Activities included spirit week, float construction, parade, rally, football game, and finally the dance.

Float construction and hall decorations allowed time for the classes to pull together and show off their creativity and talent. The organized chaos of hall decorations spoke for itself as the sophomores managed to out decorate the seniors, sweeping the first place title. The amazing wall paper like stars, signs, tape, and streamers added shine to the BSHS hallways. The one hundred dollar budget proved to be enough this year.

Because of some unusual occurrences at float construction, the administration plans on making a few changes for next year's events. The changes will take place only to ensure the safety of students and others.

"The faculty itself is fired up about the whole ordeal. Tearing up the school and its surroundings is just too much. It looks horrible for current students, and to Alumni coming back to visit the school," comments Vice Principal Pete McDonald.

He goes on to say, "Students enjoy Homecoming as a time to come together and enjoy themselves, but let's not lose the traditional purpose, which is to build school spirit. Competition is not the main purpose of Homecoming."

The football team overcame the damage of spirit week at the game on Friday. The stands were packed, and the crowd roared as the team brought home the first victory of the year.

Finally, as this special week comes to an end, many students gathered in the commons area to "Dance the Knight Away" at the traditional Homecoming dance.

*Hall Decorations
Miss Britt Adams makes her way through the sophomore hall, despite the warning sign.

*Hat Day
Kim Kelley, sophomore, concentrates on getting an "A" for spirit week by wearing her "Mad Hatter" hat.

*Enter If You Dare
Juniors prepare their hallway for the early morning judging.

*"Seen-Your" Stuff
Seniors show their class spirit by decorating the commons during spirit week.

*War Party Day
Ready to show spirit at the upcoming rally and game, sophomore Jason Coleman is completely decked out in "War Party" attire.
*Tennis and Football Nominees
Leanna Harvey and Ryan Greer

*Stuco Nominees
Sarah Huebner and Brian Berg

*Homecoming King & Queen
Cody Vasquez and Laura Jackson, nominated by the senior class

*Cheerleading and Volleyball Nominees
Jennifer Smith and John Mallory

*Kayettes and Cross-Country Nominees
Cristie Edmondson and Justin Shepherd

*Homecoming Attendants
Sophomore Angela Kelly and freshman Jessica Sullivan

*Homecoming Attendant
Junior Estella Caballero
Praying for Victory
The football team heads for the rally to get all pumped up for the Homecoming game against the Sumner Sabres.

Cheering for Victory
Giving the crowd waves and grins, the varsity cheerleaders are ready to cheer on the Braves at the pep rally.

Senior Float
The senior float parades its way to a victory in the float construction competition.

Candy Tossers
Senior Telisha Stewart, junior Michelle Williams and senior Lindsey Pollock, along with the rest of the dance team members, please the parade bystanders by throwing them candy during the procession.

"Setting for the Win"
The varsity volleyball team get in the Homecoming spirit by participating in the parade.

"Crusin'"
Led by John Robinson, a group of rowdy boys are pumped and ready for action as they cruise down Main Street.
Homecoming Aftermath

Top Ten ways to get in trouble during Homecoming...

1. shooting paintballs at the school
2. spraypainting school sidewalks
3. staking out at the end of construction site driveways
4. "decorating" the Media Center windows
5. tearing down other classes hall decorations
6. spraypainting school parking lots
7. egging other floats
8. covering the trees in toilet paper
9. writing c/o "oo" in shoe polish
10. shooting paintballs at the school

*Avoiding the Rain
Trying to dodge the raindrops, senior Tiffany Warburton searches for the last bits of toilet paper in the teacher's parking lot on the morning of Homecoming.

*Another Kind of "Tee-Pee"
Although senior Sarena Gardner and her fellow seniors attempt to clean up the tee-pee-ing mess around the circle drive, on a wet and soggy day it does little good.

**"Wax On, Wax Off"
Volunteering to clean up the shoe polish mess, senior Chantell Greathouse endures the cold and rainy conditions while cleaning the Media Center windows.

*Do the Crime, Do the Time
While scanning the area for trash, seniors Lindsay Collene, Lindsey Pollock and Anastasia Spartan pray for a break in the weather.

*Hallway Remains
Unfortunately, the janitorial staff spent much of their time during Homecoming week cleaning up unnecessary messes. Here, Argus Cannon and Clayton Zumbrunn take a breather from cleaning up the leftover hall decorations in the sophomore hallway.
"Dancing the Knight Away"

*Say Cheese!
A group of freshmen girls prepare to strike a pose for a group picture as they listen to last minute instructions from the photographer.

*Picture Perfect
Sophomores Kellie Hoffmann and Eric Sams and juniors Becky Blake and Chad Rogers smile for memories at the dance.

*Social Butterflies
Junior Emily Moehlman and her date Eric Fleenor meet with their friends while enjoying the music selection played by the DJ.
*Who Has the Best Moves?*
Is it seniors Geoff Mellott or Aaron Brickey? Junior Simon Gallagher? Or is it sophomore Blake Ritter? You decide!

*Electric Slide*
Freshmen Neena Nix and senior Lindsey Belknap electrify the crowd while demonstrating the well-known "Electric Slide."

*Dressed to Impress*
Sophomore April Conner and her date Rodney Haney enjoy the evening as they slow things down a bit on the dance floor.

*So in Love*
Freshmen Crystal Garrison and her date Tommy Gardner snuggle to a slow beat while dreaming of days to come.
Wyland's Ocean Challenge

Remember the quote that your mother always used to tell you, "There's plenty of fish in the sea?" On Friday September 11, Bonner Springs students got a little taste of just that. The Wyland Foundation from Laguna Beach, California, scheduled a tour entitled "Ocean Challenge of America," which stretched across the United States.

A diver, naturalist, and world premiere artist, Wyland, with his crew visited one school from each state to leave a taste of the Pacific Ocean in each state. While on the BSHS campus he painted a mural in Mr. Davis's room, and received help from Mrs. Horvath's art students and other students to paint the shed on the west side of the school.

Wyland made his entrance. Students were then invited to walk through a trailer that simulated ocean life. Wyland invited everyone to join him as he set tables with a variety of water colors and brushes, so even the non-artist could draw his favorite ocean animal.

The purpose of the tour was to promote ocean water purification and conservation. He indeed brought a touch of the Pacific to this small Kansas town.

*Orca Style
Wyland adds the finishing touches to the masterpiece he created with the help of Mrs. Horvath's students.

*The Creation
Senior Ted Cigich gently mixes his paint to achieve the proper tone and color for his ocean life.

*Flounder?
Sophomore Vanessa Spartan works closely with other students to decorate the "Pacific" shed.

*Fan Fair
Introduced by our own BSHS percussion line, Wyland and his truce of Pacific life, entertained all who participated in the festivities.
Wyland, with the help of science teacher Chrissy Manis, works to finish the mural in Chuck Davis’s new and improved science lab.

Sophomore Angela Mikuls designs her fusia shark. Watch out fish and fishermen!

The finished product adds color and personality to the trusty old shed. Could Bonner Springs be the next art gallery?

Tammy Berry, senior, delicately adds the finishing touches to the newest fish in the sea.

Senior Steven Reimer and junior Kevin Parks carefully study the surroundings of the outdoors on one of the three surrounding trailers.
Beauties and the Beasts

While we know Bonner Springs High School has a wide array of students and faculty members with many different personalities, we also have those students’ and teachers’ cars, which might possibly be the reasons behind these unique personalities.

Although our parking lots tend to resemble a discount used car lot, we do have a few needles in the haystack. As odd as it may sound, a select few students and faculty members have even named their prized possessions. People get their car nicknames from student ridicule, “inside” jokes, and other odd reasons.

So the next time you drive through the BSHS melting pot, have some respect—you never know, “Sparky” may hit ya'!

*Corey Swayne and her blue '95 Mitsubishi Eclipse

*Bobby Swartzman and his blue-green '67 Chevy

*Eric Claxton and his white '91 327 SS Chevy S-10

*Andrew Dame and his brown '83 Dodge Ram

*Bradley Jordan and his black '99 Dodge Dakota

*Kevin Dechman and his blue '80 Chevy Celebrity

20 World of Wheels
"Curtis Foley and his yellow '82 Honda Civic--a.k.a "Mouse"

"Jerica Seaton and her white '89 Toyota Corolla--a.k.a "Yota"

"Luke Collier and his maroon '89 Honda Civic--a.k.a "Kadu'al"

"Josh McCoy and his white '89 S-10--a.k.a. "Longbed"

"Lacey Ellington and her green '93 Mustang--a.k.a "Pointdexter"

"Mr. Steve Cook and his green '72 Toyota Land Cruiser--a.k.a "Green Monster"
Deck the Halls:
Christmas BSHS Style

*Punch Anyone?
Vice Principal Shirley Vaughn and Principal Jerry Abbot serve holiday cookies and punch to the students in the Media Center on the Friday before Christmas break.

*Pin the Nose on Rudolph
Junior Leslie Lynch plays a Christmas version of “Pin the Tail on the Donkey” in Mrs. Nancy Yankovich’s yearbook class.

*Office Party
Ta’Lisha Lane, senior, stops in the office on her way to class for some holiday treats provided by the faculty and administration.

*Christmas Wishes
A group of freshman discuss what they’re asking Santa to bring them for Christmas while enjoying the goodies being served in the Media Center.

*Trivial Pursuit
Sophomore Meric Seaton and freshman Jessica Sullivan enjoy a Christmas trivia game in Mr. Rick Moulin’s English class.

*Latin Christmas
Junior Rose Miller and seniors Oliver Weinhold and Katie Fesenmeyer put up Christmas decorations in Mrs. Connie Henry’s Latin III class.
*Playing Santa
At the staff Christmas party, Mr. Jim Mitchell and Mr. Bob Chatterton ask Santa (Joe Diponio) for successful track and golf seasons.

*Christmas Break
Over Christmas break, Mrs. Deena Burns and her husband Terry, along with her daughter Mikole, visited Alcatraz and had their “mug shots” taken.

*Happy Holidays
Sophomore Ashley Gillespie paints a holiday greeting inside the office for all to see.

*Sands of Time
Becky Blake relives her childhood by playing with the children at their Christmas party in Mrs. Martha Chandley’s Early Childhood Development class.

*Stars For the Needy
Sophomore Brian Cole helps out the needy by purchasing a class star from the Kayettes to hang on the tree.
A New Tradition?

Woman Pay All Dance

*Body Moving*
Junior Tim Erickson shows the crowd how to get down with his new moves.

*Feel the Funk*
Sophomore Cliff McComb dazzles the crowd with the newest funk moves as he makes his way down the floor.

*Quadrapulets*
Juniors Mandy Delich, Michelle Williams, Nova Williams and Estella Caballero search for the perfect dates in their matching outfits.

*Macho Man*
Is this one of the Village People or just senior Tommy Gonzales?

*Look Alikes*
Sophomore Mark Smith and Jessica Sullivan carry on the matching Saddie Hawkins tradition.
**Swingers**
Seniors Scott Lopez and Carla Dechman relive the sixties with their swing moves.

**Ride That Train**
Seniors Joy Gilrath and Phillip Tombs are definitely not late for their ticket to dance to “C’mon Ride That Train.”

**Slow Jam**
Seniors Katie Fesenmeyer and Oliver Weinhold take a moment for a quick picture in the midst of the evening.

**Tootsie Roll**
“To the left, no to the right,” senior Sarah Huebner and junior Karie Thompson debate the next direction of the Tootsie Roll.
Once again February rolls in, and you know what that means, Courtwarming. Months in advance some girls freak out about who to go with and what to wear, but other girls, along with most guys, just go with the flow.

One of a girl's biggest concerns is whether or not she will have the same boyfriend that far down the road. After all, a girl can't make plans to go with a boyfriend in advance because if they break up, then what? And, of course, she has to find out just how many guys want to go with her because she can't make the choice until she has seen all of her options.

Guys, on the other hand, don't seem to be quite so uptight about finding a date. According to junior Paul Berry, "Guys just want to go with a nice girl and have fun."

After a girl finds the perfect date, she also has to search for the perfect outfit, along with the shoes to match. The most popular fashion trend this year was short, dark colored dresses complimented by thick soled shoes. However, there were some who dared to be different and went with the long pastel colored formal dresses and traditional black heels.

From the male perspective, all the guys have to worry about (besides the money factor) is getting a new shirt, and matching their date as best as possible. In this sense, the guys must get approval from their prospective date. "I buy one outfit. Becky (Brents) tells me it's stupid, then she picks me out a new one," says junior Justin Mackey.

No matter what you wear, who you go with, or where you buy your shoes, Courtwarming is meant to be a time to have fun and an event you will remember. Also keep in mind that you only have four tries to get it right, so make it good.

*All Decked Out
All decked out in "War Party" attire, junior Ashley Smith shows her support for the boys basketball team.

*Star Studded
Colorful balloons and stars made the gymnasium shine on the night of the Courtwarming game. The stands were packed and the crowd was ready for a great game.

*Class Colors Day
Seniors Corey Swayne, Leanna Harvey and Randi Silvers support "Class Color Day" by wearing their senior shirts. Other classes wore a designated color to show class spirit.

*Spirit Week
Seniors Geoff Mellott and Stephen Burnett and juniors Glenn Surritte and Joe Essenhofer participate in "Hat Day" while checking to see what today's gourmet lunch is going to be.
*Courtwarming King and Queen*
Senior class nominee Carla Dechman and boys basketball nominee Adam Berry reign proudly as Courtwarming King and Queen. Later, at the Courtwarming dance they dance to "Have You Ever," by the R & B artist Brandy, to celebrate their victory.

*Courtwarming Nominees*
Front Row: Monica Bass, Cherie Stauber, Susan Sadrakula, Amy Steele and Carla Dechman.
Back Row: John Coleman, Mike Goins, Adam Berry, Steve Mortell, and Geoff Mello.

*Courtwarming Attendants*
Nominated by their respective classes are freshman Hannah Pollock, sophomore Alicia Forshey, and junior Amanda Delich.

*Spirit, Pride, Braves*
Contributing to spirit week, Booster club members decorated the gym for the Courtwarming game with an oversized megaphone, ribbon and pom-poms.
*It’s Electrifying*
Outgoing and energetic students line up in the commons to participate in the “Electric Slide.”

*Party Girls*
Faculty chaperones Ann Frost, Kay Cee Mills, Anne Seiler, and Chrissy Manis relive their high school years by getting a group shot at the dance.

*Break It Down*
Juniors Dennis Bernard and Amber Anderton take a moment from the exciting dance to strike a pose.

*Butterfly Kisses*
Above right, seniors Ben Miller and Leanna Harvey snuggle up close to enjoy their last Courtwarming dance together.

*Picture Break*
Juniors Joey Ford and Kim Zarate grin from ear to ear as they take a break from dancing to take a picture.
Dance With Me
Freshman Becky Heckert and Bianca Luviano are having a blast dancing and going wild at their first Courtwarming dance.

Fun Filled Night
Freshman Tammy Sanford and senior Scott Lopez not only enjoy the dancing but also the conversation of the evening.

Showing Their Moves
Far left, senior Dorothy Yue and sophomore Travis Nelson show the crowd how they like to break it down.

Dance Partners
Above, sophomores Vanessa Spartan and Bronson Ko enjoy dancing to the slow beat “You’re Still The One.”

Ride That Train
As the Courtwarming dance comes to an end, a group of party girls dance to “Ride That Train.”
What Do You Want to Do?

This year Bonner Springs High School hosted its first ever Career Expo. Students were sent to different classes throughout the day to listen to a variety of guest speakers from various businesses and colleges from around the area.

The idea was to provide the students with information about future jobs and schools they might be interested in attending. Speakers varied from news anchors at Channel 4 News to Bonner Springs police officers and local businessmen and women.

For the most part, the Career Expo had a positive effect on most of the students. It helped some students with their ideas about where to go to college. "It made me realize that you don’t have to go to a big well-known five star college to get a career that you like for yourself," says freshman Shantae Holliday.

Although our first Career Expo was exciting, students had some helpful suggestions for future career expos. Sara Sawyer suggests, "There should be more choices in the arts, singing and acting careers. Every hour I heard the same thing."

The Expo was considered a success. Mrs. Nancy Moats, the Expo Coordinator, hopes that, "Students came up with some ideas to help them with their future planning."

*Bagels Anyone?* 
Police officer Tim Pierce with Granville O’Neal and Sheila Lenoir from the KCK fire department enjoy a refreshment break in the Media Center.

*Hard at Work* 
Ms. Kay Cee Mills, Ms. Anne Seiler and Mrs. Debbie Foley help with registration at the beginning of the Career Expo.

*Students in Action* 
Junior Brandi Mathiesen interviews one of the more popular speakers, Channel 62 TV producer Mr. Jeff Clement. As part of his presentation, students were allowed to experiment with video cameras and TV equipment.

*Getting Prepared* 
During lunch, sophomore Mandy Ballard receives information about various colleges in the commons.
* Fashion do's and don'ts
Fashion design consultant, Mrs. Judi Makin from the Colorado Art Institute shows students sketches of current fashion trends.

*Back Breaking Work
Edwardsville chiropractor, Dr. Mike Teeple shows students the numerous vertebrae of the back and how one’s discs can slip, causing friction and lower back pain.

*Delicious Entre
Chef April Johnson, President of the Johnson County Junior Chefs and Club Members, teaches some students the “art” of creative cooking.

*Fox 4 News Flash
As news anchors, John Holt and Monica Parise explain a little about their jobs, how they’ve ended up where they are and their goals in life.

*Touching Down
The key-note speaker for the Career Expo, Joe Phillips talks with students about playing with the Kansas City Chiefs and being a lawyer in the off season.

*Learning About the Law
An interesting speaker, Mrs. Cheryl Martin and her assistant from the FBI give students insight about the history of the FBI.
To be inducted into the National Honor Society a student must maintain a 3.2 grade point average and participate in numerous school and community activities during their junior and senior years of high school.

These students worked hard and finally earned the right to be inducted into the elite National Honor Society on April 27, 1999.

First year NHS sponsor, Mrs. Kerri Jennings comments on their efforts, "It's nice that the kids can be rewarded for academic excellence as well as community service. NHS expectations begin when you are a freshman and continue until you graduate."

When students sign the NHS register as a senior, they feel a deep sense of pride knowing that all of their work has paid off for this moment of high school academic glory.

**Candle Procession**
During the ceremony, Mrs. Gracie Jarrett has John Mallory light the traditional candle as Geoff Mellott stands back and waits his turn in line.

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**Signing In**
As sponsor, Mr. Steve Cook looks on in pride as Jake Streeter completes another step in the induction process.

**"Fellow Students and Parents..."**
NHS president, Susan Sadrakula delivers a speech to the inductees and their sponsors explaining how all of their hard work and efforts are appreciated by all.

**Induction Reception**
Enjoying the refreshments after the ceremony, Bobbi Ridenour and her sponsor Mary Roath fill their plates with cookies before sitting down to chat with other NHS inductees.
*Flaming Tradition*
Dorothy Yue, Lou Vandenberg, and Brett Woodward carry on the tradition of lighting the symbolic candle which represents community, scholarship, leadership, and service.

*Preparing for Next Year*
Juniors Jason Moulin, Zack Casey, and Carl Rowland help set up the refreshments for the reception, while also earning a NHS point for their junior year.

*Two by Two*
Leading the line, sponsor Randy Bass and inductee Monica Bass walk past family members and friends before the NHS ceremony begins.

*NHS Inductees A-J*

*NHS Inductees M-Y*
1999 Awards & Scholarships

Valedictorians: Brian Berg, Mike Goins, Susan Sadrakula.
Salutatorians: Aaron Day, Jennifer Smith.
Rotary Club: Brian Berg, Mike Goins, Susan Sadrakula.
Bonner Springs Optimist: John Cathey, Tom Gonzales, Jennifer Smith, Candice Springfield.
Magill-Morey Memorial: Candice Springfield.
Edwardsville Kiwanis Club: Brian Berg.
Commercial State Bank: Aaron Day.
Bank Midwest of Kansas: Geoff Mellott.
Commerce Bank: John Mallory.
Bonner Springs Business & Professional Women’s Organization: Monica Bass, Amy Hagedorn.
Bonner Springs Jaycees: Cristie Edmondson.
Paul & Grace Miss: Daniel Wachter.
Junior High Leaders Club: Leanna Harvey.
Bonner Springs Jaycees: Candice Springfield.
Leroy & Raymond Mattox Memorial: Brian Berg, Aaron Day.
Bonner Springs Teacher Association: Leanna Harvey, Amy Hagedorn.
Kyle Gearhart Memorial: Geoff Mellot.
American Royal Association: Amy Hagedorn.
Alice D. Day: Brian Berg, Aaron Day, Cristie Edmondson, Katie Feenemeyer, Mike Goins, Amy Hagedorn.
Richard and Marge Burns Booster Club: Cristie Edmondson, Amy Steele.
New Century Club: Laura Jackson.
Lemons Memorial: Jennifer Smith.
Bonner Springs Senior Citizens Center: Brian Berg, Mike Goins.
Bonner Springs Wal-Mart: Brian Berg.
Jennifer Brooke Reeves Memorial Fine Arts: Amy Hagedorn.
Claudia Sue Gish Uhlich Memorial Nursing: Monica Bass.

*Banking Madness
Award in hand, this Boston University bound senior, Aaron Day, waits for the cue to reach out and accept his well earned scholarship from Larry Ellington, a representative from Commercial State Bank.

*Money, Money, Money
Joan Dougherty, a representative from the American Royal Association, reaches out to shake the hand of an excited Amy Hagedorn to present her a whopping $5000 scholarship.

*Hugs of Hope
Jim and Dix Kreider from the Kreider Foundation hug Nicole Hammer while they present their $1000 scholarship to her.

*Grasp of Gratitude
Accepting the Girl Athlete-of-the-Year Award, Cherie Stauber hugs Jim Finley, the coordinator of the award.
*Real Moment of Praise*

Receiving an award well deserved, Lou Vandenberg accepts a plaque from Vice Principal Mr. Pete McDonald which acknowledges Lou's outstanding achievements and leadership throughout his four years at BSHS. Most Inspirational Student is just one of the many awards Lou received on Awards Night. He also received the Mayor's Proclamation Award which states that May 5th is Lou Vandenberg Day.

*Rising in Appreciation*

As valedictorian, Mike Goins stands in appreciation as he accepts his scholarship from Mr. Ken Tewell, a representative from the Rotary Club.

Kiwanis Foundation Kay Beach Memorial: Tom Gonzales, Amy Steele.
Mutual Savings Association: Carla Dechman.
Donald Craven Memorial: Jennifer Smith.
Bonner Springs Elementary PTA: Carla Dechman, Candice Springfield, Brian Berg.
Edwardsville Elementary PTA: Tom Gonzales, Katie Fesenmeyer, Amy Hagedorn.
Dion Fissel Memorial and Irene Hart Memorial 4-H: Steve Mortell.
Mechanical Construction Association of Greater KC: Katie Fesenmeyer.
Brewers Country Mart: Monica Bass, Jennifer Smith.
Bonner Springs Edwardsville PTA Council: Brian Berg.
Fraternal Order of Eagles Club: Monica Bass.
Bonner Springs Federal Credit Union: Lindsey Pollock.
Kreider Foundation: Nicole Hammer.
University of Kansas: John Mallory, Brian Berg, Susan Sadrakula, Tom Gonzales, Amy Hagedorn, Katie Fesenmeyer, Jake Streeter.
Kansas State University: Mike Goins.
St. Mary's College: Cherie Stauber.
Boston University: Aaron Day.
R.O.T.C.: Mike Goins.
Emporia State University: Leanna Harvey, Sunni Whitford.
Kansas City Community College Presidential: Brett Lingo, Mike Neal, Jennifer Smith, Jake Streeter, Ana Vardijan, Adam Berry.
KCKCCC Music: Bobbi Ridenour.
Barton Community College Dance & Academic: Carla Dechman, Lindsey Pollock.
Mayor's Proclamation Award: Lou Vandenberg.
Most Inspirational Student: Lou Vandenberg.
Muscular Distrophy Association Award: Lou Vandenberg.
Girl Athlete-of-the-Year: Cherie Stauber.
Boy Athlete-of-the-Year: Brett Lingo.
1999 KSHSAA Citizenship Award: Amy Hagedorn.

Congratulations!

Senior Awards 35
*Festival of Lights*
Juniors Nathan Fulkerson and Zack Casey string the lights along the porch to light up the entry way of the Lake of the Forest Clubhouse.

*Table Setting*
Junior Leslie Lynch works with Miss Britt Adams to create dazzling centerpieces for the middle and ends of the tables. Below right, juniors Jennifer Rider and Karie Thompson also show off their ribbon tying skills as they also make the blue, silver, and white decorations.

*Prom Candidates*
**Back Row:** Eric Claxton, David Kavalir, Tom Gonzales, Brett Lingo, Scott Lopez and Ted Cigich. **Front Row:** Nicole Hammer, Cordelia Swayne, Joy Gilrath, Jerica Seaton, Amy Lynn, Lindsay Collene.

*Prom Royalty*
Tom Gonzales and Amy Lynn receive the honor of being crowned as Prom King and Queen.
The Bonner Springs High School junior/senior prom, “Lost in the Night,” took place on Saturday, May 1st at the Lake of the Forest Clubhouse. Juniors and seniors shed their normal, everyday clothes in favor of fancy tuxedos and dazzling gowns as they set out for the big night on the town.

For many students the night out included dinner at an elegant restaurant before the dance. Skies, Plaza III, Ritz Carlton, and the Peppercorn Duck Club were particular favorites.

Even though some students took pictures before prom, most arrived at the dance and joined the long line for pictures, all wanting a picture to remember the evening. Others filtered on to the dance floor as the D.J. played slow songs such as, “It’s Your Love,” by Tim McGraw and Faith Hill, and “Angel of Mine,” by Monica.

As the students finished posing for photos with friends and bidding their farewells, the dance came to an end, and many students were off to celebrate. Some chose to have small get-togethers at their houses, while others rented fancy, expensive hotel rooms and threw huge parties that lasted long into the night.

It was a magical evening for everyone. For the juniors, it was a preview for the exciting year to come, and for the seniors, it was a final goodbye to high school and friends, and a night they will never forget.

*On the Road*
Senior Josh McCoy and freshman Jessica Sullivan set out for an exciting and fun-filled evening of romance, dancing and celebration.

*Decisions, Decisions*
Before making a final decision, senior Dale Burns looks over the many choices of food at The Herford House.

*Riding in Style*
Josh Thompson, Darcy Demetre, Aaron Brickey, Lindsay Collene, Jerica Seaton and Jason Gander prepare for an evening on the town by renting a limo to go first class all the way.
*The Gang's All Here*
Candice Springfield, Parks Sims, Billy Trout, Joy Gilrath, Shelley Roll, Phillip Tombs, Ta'Lisha Lane, Rance Davis, Jancey Duckworth and Donita McCluney pose for a shot before heading off for the big night, while Jason Horr, Misty Fossett, Melissa Lewis and Bobbie Jo Elmer make their way into the clubhouse.

*Happy Together*
Freshman Tammy Sanford and senior Scott Lopez show their affection for each other while posing for a picture in front of the beautiful and unique prom decorations.

*Picture Perfect*
Freshman Travis Nelson and senior Dorothy Yue take a break to show us their pearly whites.

*Among Friends*
Juniors Becky Blake, Sarah Perkins and Tabatha Freeman squeeze together for a shot, as seniors Cordelia Swayne and Nikki Hammer take a moment to snap a picture together.
*All Smiles*
Seniors Aaron Brickey, Jennifer Smith, and Jason Gander share a memorable moment together at their final Bonner Springs High School prom.

*Ladies Man*
Surrounded by Mrs. Kristin Byers, Miss Kay Cee Mills, and Miss Anne Sieler, Mr. Bob Chatterton is definitely a ladies man on prom night.

*Pleased as Punch*
Juniors Cherice Ware and Misty Nunn enjoy the fantastic refreshments at prom, especially the thirst quenching punch provided by Mrs. Martha Chandley.

*Prom Partners*
Eric Claxton with Bonnie Assmann and Brock Peterson with Sarah Huebner take some time to stop and enjoy the prom atmosphere together.

*Enjoying the Evening*
Sunni Whitford, Lee Shelton, John Robinson, Amy Lopez, Angela Mikuls, and Calvin McGuire share a memorable evening together.

*Cinderella Story*
The dance floor seems to be enchanted for Melissa Clark and Steve Comley as they dance the night away together.
*Men in Black*
Ray Sturgeon, Curtis Foley, Kacey Oldham, Josh McCoy, David Kavalir and Luke Collier show off their ability to make their tuxes look good.

*Enjoying the Night*
Senior Derek Bicknell and his date Natalie Adkinson celebrate their time together at prom.

*Happy Together*
Junior Curtis Foley and his date Kristen Harman take a break from dancing and socializing to sit and talk.

*Smiling Faces*
Junior Jason Moulin and sophomore Mandy Ballard enjoy dinner at Houston's before heading off for their big night at prom.

*Thirst Quencher*
Junior Aaron Beashore and his date Ashley White take a break from all the dancing to check out the refreshments.

*Dancing the Night Away*
Rita Thomas and Chris Bergkamp, along with Phillip Wilson and Dawn Thomas dance together long into the night.
**Life of Luxury**
Jennifer Rider, Chad Walker, Nova Williams, Joe Trowbridge, Mike Miller, Holly Thompson, Matt McLain and Abbie Steirly go all out for prom by renting a limo to chauffeur them to the dance.

**Royalty Votes**
Danielle Smith and junior Joey Edwards along with junior Jessica Cockrell and sophomore Josh Woods prepare to enter the dance by placing their votes for queen and king and receiving their prom glasses.

**Dance Partners**
Junior Nathan Fulkerson and his date Amber McGee have fun dancing to the slow beat of the music.

**Photo Session**
Juniors Jennifer Taylor and Carl Rowland fill out their picture package form before entering the long line to get their prom pictures taken.
On the week of February 22-26, the halls of BSHS were decorated with students wearing rainbow ribbons, representing the many different cultures of the world. Organized by Student Council, Multi-Cultural Week was a great learning experience.

"It was a very interesting learning experience for me because I moved here recently, and my old school doesn't offer Multi-Cultural Week to learn about different cultures," comments freshman Jenny Stewart.

Cultures that were the focus of the week were Asian-American, European-American, African-American, Native-American, and Hispanic-American.

Not only was there food to sample on Asian-American and Hispanic American Days, but there were also displays of each culture in the display case every day, not to mention informative assemblies on African-American Day and European-American Day.

Student Council did an outstanding job of putting everything together. Due to the fascinating artifacts, speakers, and food, Multi-Cultural Week was a huge success.

*With Honors*
After introducing Carol Marinovich, Mayor of the Unified Government, junior Shannon Fleetwood waits to be seated among the student body.

*Poem Perfection*
During the African-American assembly, sophomore April Conner recites her favorite poem, "Phenomenal Women." April comments, "The poem is not only just a good poem, but an expression of the inner beauty that shines through as a ray of sunlight which can be seen in any woman no matter form, shape, or figure but more less as mind and soul."

*Fortune Fun*
On Asian-American Day, senior Erica Robertson happily receives ten fortune cookies from freshman Mark Smith, while sophomore Dustin Hill counts her money.

*Eye-Catching Exhibit*
The Native-American display is shown in the display case located near the front office.
After purchasing a burrito on Hispanic-American Day, sophomore Glenn Surritte prepares to dress his burrito in hot sauce to give it added flavor.

Colors of the Rainbow
Sophomore Rachel Boddy, freshman Abby Vitt, and juniors Kim Zarate, Laura Crabtree, and Brandt Mathiesen show off their pride during Multi-Cultural Week by wearing rainbow colored ribbons. These ribbons were passed out during first hour on Monday and were made in different styles to symbolize the different cultures that BSHS recognizes during the week.

Signing the Truth
While performing at an assembly, senior Quadra Jarrett and "The Unspeakable Truth" perform their routine which they routinely perform at various churches in the area. The sign that Quadra is signing with her hands is "died." Quadra believes that, "The Unspeakable Truth is a fun and interesting group because I always learn something new everyday at practice."
Art Fair Creations

*Song and Dance*
The contest choir sings at the Art Fair. Participants are as follows: Bobbi Ridenour, Kristine Knutter, Lacey Ellington, Jennifer Rider, Nicole Yarbrough, Gabrielle Gonzales, John Mackey, Derek McCullough, Anthony Blancarte, Kyle Turner.

*Admiring Talent*
Junior Melissa Chandley and sophomore Kristine Knutter take a good look at the art of their fellow students.

*Masterpiece*
Sophomore Tina Zeljeznjak carefully adds the finishing touches to another one of her drawings for members of the community and school to see.

*Primary Colors*
Aaron Miller, junior, continues to add a few necessary colors to his pointillism making it more brilliant by using a few necessary colors.

*Jar of Clay*
Smoothing every edge of the pottery, junior Jennifer Hampton demonstrates her knowledge of clay and sculpture to the crowd.
*Ready...Set...Go!*

With a look of determination on their faces before the big race, Joey Ford, Randy Miser, Justin Shepherd, Danny VanDeBerghe, Justin Mackey and Brock Peterson prepare to run against the other teams at the Bonner Springs Invitational.

*Flying High*

Executing a perfect basket toss, junior Mandy Delich and her fellow cheerleaders entertain their classmates at the winter sports pep assembly. As they scramble to prepare for Mandy's descent, the cheerleaders demonstrate how important teamwork is.

At home, our athletes play with confidence and strive to achieve many never forgotten victories. Throughout the year, all of our teams make remarkable achievements. Whether it be a football game, a tennis match, or any other competition, athletes always put their best foot forward. Our teams let their opponents know that once the clock is started, they are on the warpath of the Braves.

*Sports 45*
Pre-game Rituals Vary

Pre-game rituals for football players vary from listening to music to eating a well balanced meal. Many football players have different views on how they should prepare for competition. Here are some of the many rituals our Bonner Braves go through: "I prepare myself by just sitting down and closing my eyes and thinking of what my job is for that game. I also listen to music that gets me pumped up for a game," replies junior Mike Gardner. Freshman Nick Borders comments, "I make sure I wear my lucky undershirt, and then I just try to stay loose going over the plays in my mind."

Other players tend to use imagery to help them prepare for a game. Sophomore Jimmy Vogel relates, "Mostly I just sit in the locker room and focus on the game. I try to visualize what I want to do on the field." Sophomore McKinley Garrison had this to say, "I visualize my job on the field by lying down with my eyes closed and mentally preparing my mind for the game."

Whatever the ritual or routine, different players have various views about what to do before a game. So, the next time you're watching the Bonner Braves play, think of what each individual player goes through before each game, it may surprise you.

*Defending the Goal*
Junior Scott Polley defends his territory against an Atchison Redmen opponent.

*1998 Varsity Football Team*

*Tough Tackle*
Heading for a touch down at a Friday night game, senior fullback Steve Mortell takes a tough hit from a Sumner Sabre tackler.

*Up for Grabs*
Creating a fumble, defensive lineman Ryan Greer strips the ball away from the Sumner Sabre running back.
For the Zone running back, Chad Anderson heads for the end zone to make a touchdown against the Atchison Redmen.

*Words of Wisdom
Offensive linemen Brendon Kasselman and Jason Coleman discuss in depth their next strategy.

*1998 Freshman Football Team

*Going for the Gold
As teammates Chad Anderson, junior, and Billy Brooks, senior, put blocks on the impending tacklers, senior quarterback Brett Lingo falls back into the pocket to pass the ball down field to one of his receivers.

Braves

Score Board

| Bonner 6 | Harmon | 26 |
| Bonner 15 | Turner | 34 |
| Bonner 14 | Ottawa | 21 |
| Bonner 28 | Sumner | 7 |
| Bonner 7 | Atchison | 14 |
| Bonner 28 | Bishop Ward | 20 |
| Bonner 0 | Paola | 22 |
| Bonner 7 | Aquinas | 42 |
| Bonner 28 | Schlagle | 30 |

Record 2-7
*Bootin' the Ball*
Senior Josh Wiseman gives the ball a swift kick, sending it down the field against the Turner Bears.

*Gotcha'!*
Junior tackle, Mike Gardner brings down the Turner running back before he can escape to the end zone.

*Ready for the Attack*
Senior John Mallory and the rest of the Braves offensive line, prepare to battle for the ball against the Atchison Redmen.

*Time to Celebrate*
After the Braves first victory, team members give each other "high fives" as they jog off the field.

*Tense Timeout*
During a timeout, Coach Chuck Davis informs his team about the next play and gives them a pep talk about their previous performance.
"Dancin' to the Beat!"

"Fire It Up!"  
The dance team wows the onlooking crowd at Tiblow Days as they painlessly perform their pom routine to "Fire It Up!"

"Absolute Excitement"  
Juniors Julie Benjamin and Genny Licano can barely contain themselves due to the awesome performance of the football team.

"Hurt So Bad!"  
Performing to the routine "Hurt So Bad," with the help of the jazzy tunes of the marching band, the dance team pulls off another sweet performance at half time of a home football game.

"Kickin' to the Stars"  
Doing their all time favorite kick routine, the dance team prepares to whip off another smooth but agonizing kick at half time of the home football game against Ottawa.

"Smile Pretty!"  
Senior dance team member, Khrysti Bennett easily entertains the crowd as she performs to the funk routine "Inter-galactic" at the fall pep assembly.

*1998-99 Dance Team*  
**Front Row:** Julie Benjamin, Lindsey Pollock, Khrysti Bennett, Sandy Morgan.  
**Second Row:** Laura Jackson, Lisa Stewart, Estella Caballero, Genevieve Licano.  
**Third Row:** Karie Thompson, Michelle Williams, Sarah Huebner, Carla Dechman.

Dance Team 49
Tommy's hunger to win was definitely alleviated this year with the outstanding season the boys cross-country team experienced. Led by seniors Justin Shepherd and Tom Gonzales, and team captain, junior, Justin Mackey, the boys achieved their ultimate goal of going to State for the first time in six years. Although it was a soggy, chilly and dreary Saturday morning in Wamego, Kansas, the boys dealt the best they could with the foul weather and came out of the State competition with an eighth place ranking at the class 4A level.

Although they overcame their goal of going to State, the road to State held an obstacle that was imperative for the boys to overcome. Since the team had seven asthmatics, one case of bronchitis, one hernia and one pulled groin muscle, the boys really had to focus on stepping it up at a meet when someone was out, and working together as a team to overcome the lack of healthy runners.

In dealing with these issues, the boys prevailed. Their togetherness and exceptional running throughout the season carried them through a tough obstacle, and as a result, they earned a much deserved trip to State.

*Forging Ahead*
Sophomore Brock Peterson and junior Randy Miser turn up the heat as they reach the half mile marker at the WYCO Invitational.

*Beyond Exhausted*
Thoroughly fatigued, sophomore Andrea Cunningham gratefully falls into the arms of her mother and teammate Colleen Rainbolt.
Finally Finished!
Approaching her final destination, junior Colleen Rainbolt crosses the finish line using her last ounce of energy.

*Braves Going Beyond
Senior Justin Shepherd and freshman Michael Ashford work together to make the long grueling journey to the finish line.

*Ready to Go!
As the girls cross-country team braces itself for the pop of the starting gun, junior Matt Gibson and Mrs. Wood look on to show their support.

*Off on the Right Foot
Junior Danny VanDeBerghe jumps to a quick start as the JV runners begin their long journey to the finish line.

*Feelin' the Burn
As senior Cristie Edmondson crosses the finish line, at the WYCO invitational, Coach Jim Soper praises her on her performance throughout the race.

*Determined to Excel!
Striding solo with no challengers, junior Kevin Parks runs with ease at the Bonner Invitational.
Running to State!

*From Power Bars to Powerade*
To help them run well at State, the boys cross-country team receives bags full of nutritious food, compliments of the cheerleaders.

*All Taped Up!*
The boys cross-country team gangs up on Danny VanDeBerghe at their last practice before they go to State by attempting to duct tape him to a pole. The boys always promised to do this if they made it to State.

*Feelin' the Chill*
While waiting to warm up, the boys tough out the almost unbearable cold and torrential rain by bundling up in their warm-ups.

*Showing Support*
Enduring the cold and rainy weather, Kristine Knutter and Cristie Edmondson, members of the girls cross-country team, accompanied by avid cross-country fan Sarah Huebner, try to stay dry underneath an umbrella as they anxiously wait for the race to begin.
"Trudging Uphill
Although it is late in the race, sophomore Brock Peterson flies past his muddy competitors at State, and finishes with a 28th place ranking. He was the top finisher for the Braves.

"Dual Runners
Freshman Michael Ashford and junior Joey Ford charge ahead together with anxious thoughts of crossing the finish line.

"Getting Focused
Although he wasn't able to run in a few regular season meets due to a pulled groin muscle, senior Tom Gonzales placed 39th out of 134 runners at State.

Braves/Bravettes

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State Cross-Country 53
Enthusiastic Bravettes Stick Together

Through the good times and the bad, the Bravettes stick together and give it their all. "I think that we had a really good season. Even with ups and downs, we all stuck together throughout everything. That really helped out a lot," comments sophomore Holly Thompson about their 11-23 season.

Though their team consisted of only one senior and three juniors, the team didn’t let it discourage them. "We had a young team this year; however, we came along pretty well. Now that we have the experience under our belts, we will be back next year," declares junior and third year letter winner Becky Brents.

Spirit and enthusiasm are a big part of the game too, and the Bravettes also made it a part of the team effort! "I think that we all took turns picking each other up. I don’t think one person always carried the team spirit," recalls sophomore Mandy Ballard.

*Jumping High
Striving to score yet another point for her team, sophomore Bonnie Assmann leaps to the rafters to spike the ball against her opposition.

*1998 Varsity Volleyball Team

*Senior Setter
Senior Amy Lynn sets up a kill to an anxiously awaiting Bonnie Assmann, sophomore.

*1998 Junior Varsity Volleyball Team

*Ready to Score!
As her teammates look on, junior Becky Brents slams the ball down against the Sumner Sabres at Desoto.
Junior Kim Zarate keeps her eye on the ball as she serves up an ace at a home match against the Sumner Sabres.

Huddling together, the varsity team reaches out for victory as they chant, "One, Two, Three Team!" during their home match against all-time rivals the Turner Bears.

Spiker Becky Brents waits for a pass from sophomore Holly Thompson, as the rest of their teammates prepare to assist.

Sophomore Mandy Ballard demonstrates perfect follow through in one of her serves at a home game against the Ottawa Cyclones.

Junior varsity team member Kristine Knutter goes up for a dink as teammates Angelique Howard and Melissa Lewis position themselves for a possible dig.

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*Settin' Up a Slam!*
On a brisk day, senior Megan Hewitt prepares to strike the ball with all of her strength.

*Urgh!*
With a grunt of anger, freshman Rachelle Gonzales shakes off her frustration and prepares for her next play.

*Absolute Determination*
Using every ounce of energy, senior Leanna Harvey scoops the ball over the net to keep her volley going.

*Dualing Duos*
Clutching her racket, junior Ashley Smith is ready at the net for the return, while her partner senior Monica Bass prepares to serve to their opponents.

*In Awe!*
Thrilled with her ability to reach the ball just in the nick of time, senior Katie Fesenmeyer thrusts the ball over the net with a backhand.

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**Stauber Finds State Competition Humbling**

“When I finally got to State, it was a very humbling experience. There were players there who had been playing since they were five and their experience and knowledge of the game is what carried them to victory. Since I was only a four-year player, I was lacking in experience. However, I am not making excuses for myself. I played with the best of them and for that I am proud.”

-- Cherie Stauber, senior
Hard Hitting Power
Cherie Stauber goes for an all-powerful return in hopes of reaching her ultimate goal—a trip to Topeka for State competition.

Backhand Smash
With a firm look on her face, senior Cherie Stauber follows through with her backhand, putting a savage spin on the ball for her opponent.

Wounded Wing
Nursing a wrist injury, freshman Becky Heckert is still able to reach her ball by extending her racquet the distance.

Preparing for a Victory
With her racquet extended and her ball in the air, freshman ShonTae Holliday focuses on delivering an unreturnable serve.

1998 Girls Tennis Team
Front Row: Erin Stoner, Mandy Goins, Tracy Norman, Christina Henry, Stephanie Fesenmeyer, Alexis Eker, Jackie Mitchell, Beth Gibson, Becky Heckert, Meryl Miller, Kallie Szewc, Lindsey Russell, Brandy Miller, ShonTae Holliday. Back Row: Coach Bill Scott, Cherie Stauber, Nova Williams, Ashley Smith, Megan Hewitt, Monica Bass, Katie Fesenmeyer, Leanna Harvey, Rachel Scott, Kortney Steinhurst, Mya Fillingham, Coach Tammy Stauber.
*Brace Yourself!*
Competing in the 160 pound weight class, senior Jason Moppin easily avoids a take down by his opponent from Bishop Miege, by gracefully bracing himself on one leg.

*In Control*
Wrestling in the 103 weight class, sophomore Jay Frazier, in a determined attempt to get another win under his belt, strives to take his struggling opponent from Olathe North to the mat.

*The 1999 Wrestling Team*
**Front Row:** Eric Green, Jimmy Vogel, Kevin Kroh, Nick Border, Jay Frazier. **Second Row:** Brett Lingo, Scott Polley, Dustin Arnett, Steve Mortell, Cameron Gensler, Peter Wiehe, Mark Lewis. **Third Row:** John Grabmiller, James Bass, Josh Bosley, Nathan Parker, Jason Moppin, McKinley Garrison, Jesse Guardado, Gary Dixon.

*Escape!*
Wrestling in the 130 weight class at the Dick Burns Mat Classic, senior Brett Lingo attempts an escape against his daring defender from Bishop Miege.
“We condition as hard, if not harder, than any other sport. It’s hard especially after an hour of hard core wrestling. I still expect one hundred percent from them though,” states Coach Randy Lowe about the intense conditioning he puts his wrestlers through.

The BSHS wrestling program prides itself on the intensive conditioning of its wrestlers. Every year this proficient program builds its unstoppable wrestlers by putting them through extensive training. Jogging, sprinting, doing push-ups, and running stairs are just a few of the habitual activities for the wrestlers.

Not only is the conditioning demanding, the wrestling itself is just as much of a demand to the physical attributes of the wrestlers. Junior Scott Polley states, “The practices where they tag team me are the hardest practices for me. One two-minute period I will wrestle Coach Lowe, the next two-minute period I will wrestle Coach Holloway, and the last two minute period, I will wrestle Coach Moulin.”

In addition to its tumultuous conditioning and wrestling, it is also considered by many to be one of the most physically challenging sports around. “It’s the most physically challenging sport because you’re at hand-to-hand combat with your opponent and you’re using every single muscle in your body at the same time,” says Lowe.

This year, due to their unremitting hard work throughout the season, the team sent six of their best wrestlers to the state competition in Wichita, Kansas. The team came out of the competition with its top wrestler, Scott Polley, placing second in the 145 weight class.

*Making the Move
As he attempts to take down his opponent from Paola, junior Scott Polley proves he shows absolutely no mercy to the opposition in the 145 weight class.

*Under Pressure
Determined to flatten his opponent from Olathe North in the 171 weight class, senior Steve Mortell undertakes the strenuous task of pinning his opponent at the challenging Dick Burns Mat Classic.

*Two Points More!
Proving he dominates the 215 weight class, sophomore James Bass is allotted two points by the official as he secures a take down against his despairing opponent from Paola.
Wrestlers on to State!

*Best Wishes!
The lunch time crowd, including the cheerleaders and drumline, wish the State-bound wrestlers a final farewell as they approach the van to go to Wichita.

*Anxious Anticipation
While they ardently await the start of the next match, coaches Randy Lowe, Mike Holloway, and Rick Moulin lose themselves in thoughts of victory.

*Hit the Mat!
As he uses his brute strength against his opponent from Perry-Lecompton, senior Jason Moppin attempts a take down with confidence.

*Eat Up!
As they sit at Applebee's awaiting Scott Polley's final match, Coach Moulin, sophomore Jimmy Vogel, senior Brett Lingo, senior Jason Moppin, Coach Holloway and Coach Lowe discuss their State experience.

*Faithful Fans!
Avid wrestling fans, varsity cheerleaders Megan Hewitt, Lindsay Collene, Jennifer Smith, and Amy Steele show their undying support for the wrestlers by purchasing State Wrestling t-shirts.
Words of Wisdom

After Jason Moppin's State match, Coach Holloway and Coach Lowe offer him words of encouragement and congratulations on a match well wrestled.

Promoting Polley
To show their support for Scott at his championship match, Jason Moppin, Gary Dixon, Brett Lingo, Jimmy Vogel, and Jay Frazier painted S-C-O-T-T across their chests and displayed it proudly from the stands.

Ready for Action!
In an attempt to flip his opponent on his back during the championship match, junior Scott Polley easily controls his opponent from Goodland, by using his unstoppable strength.

Escape... Not!
Determined and focused, Scott Polley prevents his desperate opponent from escaping by dragging him to the mat in hopes of a pin.

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State Wrestling 61
Still Hold'n Strong

Due to the numerous amount of returning letterman, the boys varsity basketball team's prospects of having an excellent season looked promising. By winning their first two games against Olathe Christian and DeSoto, they proved this to be a true statement.

Although for a short while their season hit a downfall, the players definitely redeemed themselves by busting through the Tonganoxie Tournament and earning a second place ranking. "I am happy with our second place ranking. For six years we were always playing for seventh place, and this year we were playing for first place. That's a big step," reflects head coach Jim Bonar. Adam Berry, Nathan Fulkerson and Sean Birdsong also received All-Tournament Team honors.

Even though the end of the season didn't end up as the boys wanted, their dedication and hard work really shined through, particularly at the Tonganoxie Tournament. "I'm glad that our team had three All-Tournament players make it. That's pretty awesome because we didn't even win the tournament, and two were even underclassmen," comments Nathan Fulkerson.

*Teamwork Wins*
Freshman Sean Birdsong waits for the defensive rebound while the rest of his teammates box out and anticipate the rebound against Paseo.

*Two, Two, Two Points More*
Senior forward Mike Goins demonstrates perfect form as he shoots for a two at a home game against the Sumner Sabres.

*1998-99 Varsity Boys Basketball*

*Escaping the Trap!*
Junior Brandon Wilson dribbles and pivots around a Paseo player as he attempts a lay up at the Tonganoxie Tournament.

*1998-99 Junior Varsity Boys Basketball*
*Reaching for Success
Senior Ryan Greer reaches out for the ball as his sophomore teammate Darryl Anderson comes to assist.

**Score Board**

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| Bonner 59 | Turner 56 |
| Bonner 43 | Gardner 52 |

Record 9-12

*1998-99 Freshman Boys Basketball*

**Front Row:** Tommy Gardner, Adam Sullivan, Amos Davis, Chris Cobbins.

**Back Row:** Mitchell Miller, Louis Reyes, Greg Forshey, Caleb Nay. **Not Pictured:** Coach Chuck Davis.

**Fully Focused**

As he releases the ball during a free throw attempt, junior Nathan Fulkerson keeps his eyes focused on the rim in hopes of scoring a point for the Braves.

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*Filling Down*

Bringing the ball down the court, senior Alan McDonald looks to pass to an awaiting Mike Miller, junior.

*Laying It Up!*

Varsity guard Michael Miller jumps high and lays one up for a two at a home game against the Lansing Lions.
Although the Bonner Bravettes season started out slow, they ended with a bang. The girls practiced long and hard hours, and it finally paid off in the end. The girls closed their regular season by winning six of their last eight games.

Coach Garold Baker had this to say, "We are very encouraged about the 1998-99 season. The girls improved both physically and mentally. They are beginning to realize that they need to do to be competitive. It was a good year, and 1999-2000 will be even better."

The Bravettes did an exceptional job and really gave it their all.

*Going For the Goal*
Sophomore point guard Holly Thompson brings the ball up for the Bravettes as the Sumner Sabres attempt to steal the ball.
*Shooting It Up!
Focusing on the rim, sophomore Alicia Forshey clears her mind and readies herself to shoot a free throw at a home game against the Sumner Sabres.

*Up for Grabs!
Outreaching her opponent, junior Brandi Mathiesen is able to grab the loose ball for the Bravettes.

*Sliding for a Save
To prevent the Sumner Sabre opponent from getting the ball, junior Kim Zarate slides on the floor for the save, as junior Rachel Williams assists.

*1998-99 Freshmen Girls Basketball Team

*Breaking Away
As the defense begins to collapse around her, sophomore Bonnie Assman dribbles out of a trap to pass the ball to her awaiting teammate, sophomore Corrine Vandenberg.

*Aiming High
Sophomore Melissa Wiseman shoots for two while her teammates begin to position themselves for the anticipated offensive rebound.

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Record 9-12
Practice Makes Perfect!

Fun, dedication, and hard work are just a few words to describe cheerleading. Most people think that cheerleading is just yelling, jumping, and being on the sideline, but its not. The year starts during the summer with the cheerleaders, going to a UCA (University Cheerleading Association) cheerleading camp for three nights and four days. Waking up every morning at 6:00 a.m. and cheering until 10:00 p.m, both the junior varsity and varsity cheerleading squads brought home many awards and trophies.

After a long summer preparing for Tiblow Days and the start of a new year, the cheerleaders journey continued by making locker signs and posters for all the athletes. Along with these tasks, the cheerleaders also worked on creating new stunts. Then, the girls finally get to cheer at as many as three games a week!

The highlight of the year was when the varsity cheerleaders won first place in the Tonganoxie Tournament competing against seven other schools. "We were proud to lead a squad so talented and deserving of winning the Tongie cheer competition," comment captain Jennifer Smith and Lindsay Collene.

Also, beginning a new tradition, the four seniors had the experience of going to the State wrestling competition in Wichita, which has not been done in 15 years. This was the perfect ending to a tedious, yet fun-filled and exciting year.
*Come on Ride the Train*
As the BSHS varsity cheerleading squad builds the famous moving train, the mesmerized crowd looks on anticipating the next stunt.

*You Go Girl!*
Below middle, senior Jennifer Smith is moving and grooving to the music of the band at a home football game.

*First Place*
Competing against seven other schools, BSHS's varsity won 1st place in the Tonganoxie Tournament.

*Groov'in to the Music*
Having fun while pleasing the crowd, senior Lindsay Collene and freshman Meryl Miller show off their hot moves to a variety of hit songs during their dance.

*Going Up!*
Above left, showing all strength freshman Meryl Miller and junior Amanda Delich fly high into the rafters in a liberty stunt preformed by the varsity cheerleading squad.

*1998-1999 Junior Varsity Cheerleading Squad*
It's that time of year again! The snow has melted, the grass is starting to turn green, and everything is coming into full bloom; so is the boy's baseball team.

As the boys anxiously hustle on to a muddy, snow saturated baseball diamond ready for tryouts, thoughts of their upcoming season race through their minds at full speed. After the agonizing tryouts, the season is put into full swing.

The climax of the season was when at one point the team was ranked first in the state. "I thought it was cool, we had never been ranked number one before, and it set the standards higher for us," reflects junior Michael Miller.

With hopes of going to State, the boys began to prepare mentally and physically for the regional competition in Tonganoxie. As a result of their preparation, the boys played two close scoring games against Tonganoxie and Piper, just falling short of their goal.

Although they didn’t make it to State, the boys came out of their season with two accomplishments to be proud of: being ranked number one in the state for a week and finishing out their season with a winning record.

* Catching on
Senior Brett Lingo catches the ball with confidence and determination as the pitcher whals it over the plate for a strike.

**The 1999 Varsity Baseball Team:**
*Relay Partners*
As junior Joey Ford throws the ball in from left field, senior shortstop Derek Bicknell positions himself for the execution of a perfect relay.

*Saf e!*
Proving he is fearless of his opponent from Atchison, senior Jason Moppin slides home gaining another point for the Braves.

*Stretching for an Out*
Senior Mike Neal plays his position at first base with pride as he easily extends himself to put out the opposition.

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*The 1999 Junior Varsity Baseball Team:*
**Front Row:** Mario Villarreal, Zachary Powell, Adam Sullivan, Nick Border, Amos Davis. **Second Row:** Chris Cobbins, Greg Forshey, Mark Lewis, Billy Morris, Tim Neal, Jason Moore. **Third Row:** Coach Garold Baker, Pete Wiehe, Darren Curran, Louis Reyes, Derrick Peters, Derek Mathiesen, Coach Rick Moulin.

*Swinging Through It!*
Determined and focused, junior Grant Sullivan pummels the ball into the field in hopes of making his way home.
Stepping up to the Plate

New faces means new complications. That's what the softball team's first thoughts were as the season started.

With only one returning senior, the team had some doubts. "Well, we have been practicing good, and we have a lot of young talent. We should be pretty competitive in the Huron League. I'm looking forward to playing with the younger players, and I hope I can lead them to a trip to Manhattan," comments senior Amy Lynn.

As the season progressed, the team had its ups and downs, from their two-game sweep over Atchison, to their heart breaking one point losses against Turner.

The girls learned a lot from this year and had some good memories. With the team having so much young talent, there were plenty of improvements made throughout the season.

Although the Bravettes did not end the season by going to Manhattan as Amy hoped, they finished off their year with a fantastic performance against the Basehor Bobcats in regionals.

* Nice Frame
Doing her best to frame the pitch, freshman varsity catcher Miki Mellot waits for the umpire's call in hopes of a strike in the Bravettes home game against the Atchison Redmen.

* 1999 Softball C-Team
**Front Row:** Jenny Montgomery, Amber Thomas, Cinda Thomas, Stephanie Fesenmeyer, Rhiannon Ford. **Back Row:** Coach Ann Decker, Sarah Rowland, Amie Trafton, Angela Marcel, Crystal Garrison, Anna Delich, Coach Kim Potter.

*Going for the Out!*
Getting ready to fire the softball to first base, sophomore second baseman Angela Mikuls winds up the throw.

* 1999 Varsity Softball Team
**Front Row:** Miki Mellott, Holly Thompson, Amy Holt, Becky Brents, Angela Mikuls. **Second Row:** Mandy Ballard, Brandi Mathiesen, Jessica Sullivan, Vanessa Spartan. **Third Row:** Coach Ann Decker, Amy Lynn, Alicia Forshey, Coach Nancy Yankovich.
*Hey Batter, Batter!
As first baseman junior Becky Brents stands in defensive position, junior Amy Holt releases her awesome fastball to her unlucky opponent.

*Safe!
Sliding safely into second base, sophomore Mandy Ballard puts the Bravettes in a nice scoring position.

*See Ya’!
Freshman Hanna Pollock pauses briefly to watch how far her big hit goes before taking off for first base.

*I Got It! I Got It!
Ready if needed, sophomore center fielder Vanessa Spartan backs up senior Amy Lynn in a routine fly ball to right field.

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Record 5-16
Throwing, running, sprinting, jumping, and pole vaulting are the necessary ingredients that make up a track team--more specifically, the Bonner Springs High School track team.

With ambitious thoughts of taking many to State this year, coaches Jim Mitchell, John Heckathorn, Ann Seiler, and Bill Downing wasted no time in getting practice started off quickly. "We had a lot of people that were returning from last year. I thought that we would take about ten to state," states head coach Jim Mitchell.

As a result of these ambitious thoughts, the first week of practice was agonizing. Consequently, complaints of sore, tense and tight muscles were heard all throughout the week. Slowly though, the pain was forgotten as nervous thoughts of the first track meet at Baldwin began plaguing the minds of all of the athletes.

After the Baldwin meet was out of the way though, the rest of the season flew by. The sore muscles were alleviated and the anxious thoughts of upcoming track meets were gone, only to be replaced by peevish thoughts of the regional competition in Sabetha, Kansas.

"I was really nervous, but trying to focus on my goal which was going to State," reflects sophomore Brock Peterson. As a result of being focused, Brock went to State along with eight of his teammates: Bronson Ko, April Conner, Bonnie Assmann, Corrine Vandenberg, Kristine Knutter, Angelique Howard, Quadra Jarrett and Cristie Edmondson.

State took place in Wichita, Kansas on a warm breezy day at Cessna Stadium. It was a very competitive and physically challenging event. Twenty-eight schools from all over Kansas competed, with over 19,000 fans watching.

The Braves came out of the meet with pride. April Conner ran her personal best in the 200 Meter Dash, and the girls 4 X 800 team set a new school record.

The track team had a dynamic season and should pride itself on its outstanding efforts and achievements.
* Handoff Heaven!
Running the second leg of the girls 4 X 800 Meter Run, sophomore Corrine Vandenberg hands off the baton to teammate, sophomore Bonnie Assmann.

* Careful Concentration
In order to keep his place in the race, junior Matt Gibson concentrates on keeping his pace steady.

* The 1999 Track Team:

* Relay Rookies
Both new additions to the boys 4 X 400 Meter Dash Team, junior Danny VanDeBerghe and senior Oliver Weinhold work together to execute the passing of the baton.

* Loooooong jump!
Stretching for a personal record, freshman Melissa Davis gives it all she's got in the long jump at the DeSoto Invitational.

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The Bonner Springs High School 1999 Tennis Team had a great year. Junior Justin Kropp started off the season's highlights by placing second in singles competition at the League Championship. After league play, returning lettermen Andrew Dame, Kevin Parks and Jake Streeter all qualified for State. To qualify, Andrew and Kevin placed second and Jake placed fourth in Regionals.

*Fully Focused*
Junior Andrew Dame focuses all his attention and strength on hitting the tennis ball being served to him.

Reflecting on the year, junior Kevin Parks comments that, "Our team was good this year because there was a lot of experience, enthusiasm and preparation." Next year's team should be well stocked because of all the freshmen that came out this year.

All in all, the tennis team worked hard and had fun wrapping up the tennis season.

*Point!*
Senior Ted Cigich and sophomore James Erin double up to win the doubles match.
1999 Boys Tennis Team:

*Relaxed and Confident*
With courage and assertion, senior Jake Streeter gracefully serves the ball to his opponent.

*Face of Determination*
Junior Kevin Parks executes perfect form in his well practiced backhand motion.

*Working the Court*
As sophomore James Erin forcefully follows through with a forehand, he shows his competitor that he isn't an easy match.

**Back Row:** Coach Bill Scott, Becky Heckert, Thomas Cooper, Dustin Carson, Mark Smith, Travis Slankard, Brandy Miller. **Front Row:** Ted Cigich, Kevin Parks, Jake Streeter, Andrew Dame.
Going for the Green

*1999 Golf Returning Varsity Lettermen
Coach Bob Chatterton, Matt McLain, Michael Dressler, Randy Smith and Curtis Foley. (Photo courtesy of The Chieftain.)

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*Power Drive
Putting all of his strength into is drive, junior Curtis Foley hopes his efforts pay off with the ball landing on the green. (Photo courtesy of The Chieftain.)
*Getting out of the Rough*
Keeping his eye on the ball, freshman Jack Holtzen prepares to send the ball out of the rough and onto the green.

*Divot Repair*
Fixing a divot from his drive on a par three, junior Michael Dressler does his part to keep the course in its best condition.

*Perfect Form*
With a nice follow-through, junior Matt McLain watches his golf ball fly through the air towards the green at the Sunflower Hills Golf Course. (Photo courtesy of The Chieftain.)

*Short Game Practice*
After working on his short game, freshman Aaron Mills exits the green, clearing it for the next golfer.

*1999 Junior Varsity Golf Team*
Coach Bob Chatterton, Kenny Hurley, Aaron Mills and Adam Yates.
State-Bound Spring Sports

*1999 State Track Team
Front Row: Bronson Ko, Brock Peterson.
Back Row: April Conner, Angelique Howard, Kristine Knutter, Quadra Jarrett, Bonnie Assmann, Corrine Vandenberg, Crisitie Edmondson.

*Up and Over
Preparing for his trip to State, sophomore Bronson Ko practices the high jump in standing position several times before jumping the bar at full speed.

*"On Your Mark. Get Set. Go!"
At the sound of Coach Jim Mitchell's whistle, sophomore April Conner takes off for one of her many 200 Meter practice races the week before State.

*Umph!
Using her momentum and following through with her left forearm, senior Quadra Jarrett is ready to release her shot put into the field for measurement.
* 1999 State Golf Team
Displaying their first place Regional trophy and their eighth place State trophy are: Matt McLain, Curtis Foley, Michael Dressler, Cody Masterson, Jack Holtzen, Coach Bob Chatterton. Not Pictured: Randy Smith.

* State Qualifier
With determination on his face, senior Randy Smith keeps his head down as he prepares to blast the ball down the fairway in State qualifying form.

* 1999 State Boy's Tennis Team
Returning lettermen from last year, juniors Andrew Dame, Jake Streeter and Kevin Parks also represented BSHS at the State Tennis Championships. (Photo courtesy of The Chieftain.)

* Serving Up Wins
Demonstrating their individual techniques for "serving up" aces, Kevin Parks (far left) and Andrew Dame (left) use their unique talents to land them a trip to State competition.
* B-R-A-V-E-S!
During one of the many pep assemblies, the dance team and the cheerleaders entertain the student body while performing the school’s fight song.

* Gettin’ the Hold
At the Dick Burns Mat Classic, sophomore Chris Bartram is able to get the upperhand on his opponent before he tries to flip him over for the pin.

* It’s Mine!
Above right, in a “battle of the fittest,” junior Kim Zarate is determined to outwrestle her opponents during a scramble for a loose ball in a home game against the Sumner Sabres.

* Don’t Even Think About It!
After successfully getting out the baserunner at first, sophomore first baseman Kristi King keeps her eyes peeled for any other baserunner who may dare to attempt to take an additional base.

* Bring It On!
During a home game, junior varsity sophomore Tim Neal waits anxiously at the plate for the incoming pitch.
Home to the Tribe

The 1998-1999 school year holds a strong memory for each individual walking in the halls of BSHS. Students and faculty have grown to know themselves and each other better through the relationships they have built throughout the year. Although the senior class of 1999 is the last to graduate before the new millennium, their memories and traditions will keep living because we will never let their legacies fade.

*Come on Barbie*
Senior John Cathey fixes his Barbie glider before attempting to fly it one last time. In Mr. Steve Cook’s physics classes, students are required to build these gliders and then fly them approximately forty feet.

*Putting On a Happy Face*
While attending the Homecoming parade, Ms. Kay Cec Mills and Mrs. Kristin Byers sit back and enjoy the nice weather, as they relish the break from the classroom.
Extra! Extra!

Most Likely to Succeed: Mike Goins and Amy Hagedorn

Most Athletic: Cherie Stauber and Brett Lingo

Best Dressed: Trinity Davila and Aaron Day

Class Clowns: Quadra Jarrett and Geoff Mellott

Most Bashful: John Mallory and Kayla Robinett
Most Talkative: Jake Streeter and Lindsey Pollock

Most Friendly: Jennifer Smith and Cody Vasquez

Most Flirtatious: Amy Steele and Luis Gonzalez

Prettiest Eyes: John Coleman and Lindsay Collene

Sexiest Smile: Jessica Kincaid and Eric Claxton

Most Clueless: Khrysti Bennett and Jason Gander

Life of the Party: Anastasia Spartan and Eric Green
What is your biggest fear about graduating?

“What I am going to do next?”
--Amanda Bridges

“Actually getting to graduate”
--David Witzke

“What college life is going to be like and what it going to be like in the real world.”
--David Mulich

“Getting to graduate.”
--Chris Bergkamp

“Getting out in the real world and starting all over again making new friends and meeting new teachers, and studying for a career that I have to compete for.”
--Gabrielle Gonzalez
What do you forget the most?

"Where I leave my shoes."
--Monica Bass

"Party directions!"
--Ana Vardijan

"Why I am at school."
--Phillip Wilson

"I always forget whose turn it is to do the dishes."
--Donita McCluney

"I don't know; I forgot."
--Cory Swayne

Gabrielle Gonzalez
Luis Gonzalez
Nathan Grady
Eric Green

Ryan Greer
Brook Hadley
Amy Hagedorn
Brandy Hall
What is something about you that would shock your friends?

-I have chest hair.
--Aaron Brickey

-I am a really good singer.
--John Mallory

-I have webbed toes.
--John Cathey

-I used to be on the drill team at Arrowhead Middle School.
--Sarena Gardner

-I am really a woman.
--Eric Claxton

Nicole Hammer
Leanna Harvey
James Hawley
Megan Hewitt

Brian Hubbel
Sarah Huebner
Laura Jackson
Quadra Jarrett

88 Seniors
"When teachers ask if you are still here?"
-- Ben Miller

"You can’t see a freshman when they are standing right in front of you."
-- Eric Cunningham

"Freshmen run from you."
-- Carylon Knapp

"The freshman seem more like rodents than actual people."
-- Randi Silvers

You know you’re a senior when...
Purpose:
"To establish that students have developed research, writing, organization, presentation, and people skills, so that they are prepared for their personal post-high school challenges. Hopefully, their choices of topic also allow them to explore all areas of interest in depth."

-- Mr. Tony Helfrich, Senior Project Coordinator

*Project Coordinator
Mr. Helfrich works diligently checking on the progress of students to make sure they are on track with their projects.

*Begning of the Wall
A banner starts the wall designated for the display of Signs of Commitment.

*Making the Deadline
Erin Callahan makes final revisions on her research paper for her senior project.

*Signs of Commitment
After seniors made their Signs of Commitment, all of the signs are posted on the wall in the commons area.
Save the Whales
Participating in the Wyland Ocean Challenge of America, Laura Jackson expresses her artistic ability on the wall with the rest of the rest of BSHS's student body.

What is . . .
Stuco President, Amy Hagedorn takes time out of her busy schedule to be a reader at the Bonner Springs Quiz Bowl Tournament.

Memorable Moment
Seniors take their picture together one last time.
"Senior Territory"
Taking the hall decorations out of the halls, the seniors designate the main entrance to the school as their domain.

"Senior Benches"
Signifying they are seniors, Tiffany Warburton, Brook Hadley, Khrysti Bennett, Trinity Davila, Jerica Seaton, and Sunni Whitford reclaim the senior benches after the juniors tried to move them into the junior hallway during hall decorations.

"Going Green"
Joy Gilrath shows her school spirit by wearing a neon-green bucket hat with a matching shirt during spirit week.

"Super Senior Spirit"
While at the winter sports pep assembly, members of the Class of '99 do their best to prove they have the most school spirit by shouting the traditional "Senior" chant.

"Gimme a 'G' for Geoff"
During ELO, Geoff Mellott practices his cheerleading moves for the powder puff football game.

"Paying Their Dues"
Josh Stanley and Sarah Smith make final selections on their senior packets.
The end of high school brings so many new beginnings. 10 years from now I hope to be...

"Selling bootleg video's on the streets of New York.
-- Josh McCoy

"I hope to have a good paying job."
-- Shelley Roll

"Making $33.00 per hour."
-- Shawn Coy

"I see myself playing professional football."
-- Charles Johnson

"I hope to go to medical school."
-- Kim Wade

"I want to be working in a computer graphics department."
-- Lou Vandenbergs

SENIORS

96 Seniors
Seniors' Final Moments

*Picnic Lunch*
Preparing for a hamburger luncheon, Lou Vandenber, with the help of Vice Principal Mr. Pete McDonald, is ready to eat at his senior picnic.

*How Can We Help You?*
Oliver Weinhold orders himself his favorite entree on the menu, while William Garner sips his first drink as he waits for his order.

*Water Rides*
Shawn Coy, Eric Green, and Luis Gonzalez wave good-bye to their classmates as they prefer to leave in style—on a paddle boat, not a bus.

*Going Fishing?*
In the midst of the excitement at the Senior Picnic, David Mulich, Randy Smith, and Steven Riener examine the waters of Shawnee Mission Lake.

*Easy Does It*
While walking swiftly to the dry shelter house to eat and get out of the damp and cold weather, Cordelia Swayne, Melissa Clark, and Leanna Harvey carefully balance their food.

*Caps and Gowns*
After picking up their caps and gowns, Donita McCluney and Joy Gilrath find a few minutes to write in each other's memory books.

*It's a Mess*
On the senior's last day, Amy Lynn and Brett Lingo tear the remains from their lockers.
Commencement:  
Saturday  
May 15, 1999  
7:30 p.m.

*Ladies and Gentlemen
Salutatorians Aaron Day and Jennifer Smith with Valedictorians Mike Goins, Brian Berg, and Susan Sadrakula address their classmates with their final speeches.

*A Walk Down Memory Lane
Preparing to finalize her high school career, Tammy Berry waits patiently for the rest of the procession to find their seats as the ceremony begins.

*Getting Ready
Ready and waiting in the Commons, Steve Burnett is anxious for the commencement exercises to begin.

*Final Memories
Above right, Phillip Tombs, Jancey Duckworth, and Ryan Greer pose for one last shot together as "seniors."

*Thank-You
Randy Smith proudly accepts his diploma from Cliff Brents, the School Board President.
• From This Moment
James Andrews, Michael Barbarich and Monica Bass listen carefully to the speeches which finalizes their senior year; from this moment on, they are graduates!

• Out of Here
Gladly accepting his diploma, Preston O'Neal marches back to his seat as Ms. Shirley Vaughn prepares to call the next graduate.

• Sheer Excitement
The crowd and fellow members of the class of 1999 watch silently as Kim Wade approaches Mr. Brents to receive her diploma.

• Wow!
Overwhelmed with the excitement of the moment, Shawn Coy eagerly makes his entrance.

• Patiently Waiting
Melissa Clark and Ted Cigich await the end of the commotion, so they can take their seats.
*Class of Their Own*

The 1999 graduating class celebrates wildly with silly string, confetti, and all the party goodies.

*The Big Moment*

Amanda Bridges shakes hands and accepts her diploma from Cliff Brents.

*Any Final Words?*

Erica Robertson, Kristen Miller, Amy Dill, Lindsey Belknap, and Kayla Robinett dress in their best to walk their final walk down the hill.

*STUCO Gift*

Senior Class President Sarah Huebner and STUCO President Amy Hagedorn present the senior gift of a table skirt to Principal Jerry Abbott and Vice Principal Shirley Vaughn.
Finally
There
Frank Ristow (left) and D.J. Morche (above) receive their diplomas and accept them gracefully as this is the end of their high school careers.

Reunions
Brook Hadley, Ron Brand, Tiffany Warburton, and Sunni Whitford smile as they prepare for the ceremony.

Have a Seat
Demonstrating the well rehearsed walk-in, Steven Riemer walks to his assigned seat.

Do a Little Dance
As Calvin McGuire entertains the crowd with his unique dance on the way to accept his diploma, his classmate Geoff Mellott waits his turn to be "on stage."

Don't Cry
Monica Bass gives Katie Fesenmeyer a comforting hug and cheerful talk as Katie shows her emotions after leaving BSHS.

Graduation 101
Together One Last Time

*Sheer Amazement*
Derek Bicknell and Adam Berry are amazed at their new look after sticking to the velcro wall.0 like a human fly.

*Race To The Finish*
Fighting against the opponent and the bungee line, Eric Green and Eric Claxton race for the best record.

*You Will Always Be Mine*
Brett Lingo and Cody Vasquez pose for their last "couple photo" near the end of the evening.

*Poker Rounds*
Monica Bass and Megan Hewitt head the table of Craps, while they and some of their classmates wait for the outcome of the dice roll.

*Boxing Brief*
Is this Mike Tyson or just Jennifer Smith preparing to take on another challenging opponent?
What is your favorite phrase or saying?

"My eyes are like donuts, always glazed."
- Kim Wickwire

"That's what I'm talkin' bout"
- Mike Gardner

"Cause Stone Cold said so."
- Andrew Havard

"How ya' like them apples."
- Joe Trowbridge

"Okay kids."
- Mike Lemon
What makes your class better than any other at BSHS?

"We are willing to work together to try new things and get things done."
—Paula Mason

"Our class is more competitive as a whole, and we are the true leaders of the school."
—Scott Polley

"We have better social skills and higher expectations for our grades. Plus we're the Class of 2000."
—Sarah Szewc

"We have the most students in advanced classes and more quality athletes."
—Justin Mackey

Juniors 105
Melissa McDowell
Starr McKinney
Matt McLain
Aaron Miller
Justin Miller
Michael Miller

Rose Miller
Randy Miser
Tara Mitchell
Emily Moehlman
Sandra Morgan
Matthew Mortensen

Jason Moulin
Shawn Moulin
Bryan Nash
Trish Naylor
Caleb Nicholson
Paul Novich

Misty Nunn
Linda Oliver
Kevin Parks
Sarah Perkins
Justin Pickert
Scott Polley

Kenny Prince
Nick Rahija
Colleen Rainbolt
Marcie Reynolds
Jennifer Rider
Chad Rogers

Carl Rowland
Lara Russell
Kim Salley
Bobby Schwartzman
Ashley Smith
James Smith

Jack Snyder
Angel Stagner
Tamra Stephens
Megan Stinnett
Sarah Stuart
Ray Sturgeon

106 Juniors
Val Pal Party

Grant Sullivan
Glenn Surrikte
Sarah Szewc
Jennifer Taylor
Samantha Taylor
Karie Thompson

Joseph Trowbridge
Danny VanDeBerghe
David Vaughan
Chad Walker
Cherice Ware
Doug Weir

Jason Wheeler
Kennon White
Brian Wiggins
Crystal Wilkerson
Michelle Williams
Nova Williams

Rachel Williams
Brandon Wilson
Patrick Wilson
Jeseka Woolf
Jessica Wort
Andrea Yarbrough

Class of 2000

Lisa Zacharias
Kim Zarate
Billie Zaring

* Val Pal Party
Junior Kayette, Rachel Williams admires the small bear in a basket gift that she receives from Val Pal Becky Brents.

* Not Pictured
Juniors Use Hands On Experience

*Looks Delicious
Helping prepare food for the monthly food kitchen, Andrea Knutter and Lacey Ellington peel potatoes together.

*Do You Swear?
During The Scarlet Letter mock trial in Mrs. Jill Holder's second hour American literature class, Samuel Chance swears in Joe Essenhofer to begin the trial.

*Looks Pretty Good
On the last day of float construction, Jason Moulin and Sandy Morgan look over the final work of the junior Homecoming float.

**Pass Me the Blue**
Participating in the Wyland Ocean Challenge of America, Genevieve Licano, Stephanie Craven, Estella Caballero, Billie Zaring, and Ashley Smith paint their favorite scenes from the ocean.

*No Peeking*
In preparation for pinning the nose on Rudolph, Sarah Szewc yells in pain as Mike Lemon pulls the blindfold a little too tight during the yearbook Christmas party.
Tiffany Adams
Darryl Anderson
Leslie Anderson
Philena Anderson
Nathan Andrews
Maria Arriaga

Bonnie Assmann
Mandy Ballard
Wayne Barber
Karen Barnard
Karla Barton
Chris Bartram

James Bass
Kayla Bates
Sharon Beeley
David Bellm
Andrew Benton
Holly Bizzell

Anthony Blancarte
Christopher Blanz
Robert Bloomer
Ashelee Bohnert
Renee Bokelman
Adam Bond

Joe Botts
Jennifer Bradbury
Blaine Brandon
Chris Brentlinger
Michael Brown
Andrew Burns

Jennifer Bush
Ryan Butts-Hittle
Philippe Buxton
Zack Caldwell
Derrick Cantrell
Jennifer Carnes

Yvonne Carpio
Billy Carter
Alfonzo Cole, Jr.
Brian Cole
Jason Coleman
Justin Coleman
What fear do you most want to get rid of?

"Spiders, because I see them in the school all the time and they freak me out."
- Michael Brown

"The fear that my kids will put me in an old folks home."
- James Bass

"The fear of people touching me. Do you know how hard it is to walk down the halls without a bunch of people touching you?"
- Aimey Cook

"Breaking down on the side of the road, because I didn’t get gas."
- Melissa Wiseman

"I want to get rid of my fear of death because everyone has to die no matter what."
- Karen Barncord

"My fear of flamingoes because it is a stupid fear, and I’m not really sure why I fear them."
- Kim Shockey

"Anecdectaphobia, fear of ducks--it makes it hard to go to the zoo."
- Alice Pierson

Dustin Hill
Teena Hinman
Kellie Hoffmann
Skyler Hollenback
Angelique Howard
Christina Huffman

Richard Jacobs
Jacob Keber
Kimberly Kelley
Angela Kelly
Brandon Kerr
Josh Kielman
Kristi King
Crystal Knight
Kristine Knutter
Bronson Ko
Holley Kohlmeyer
Jeremy Lawson

Rachel Lea
Mark Lewis
Luis Linder
Paul Luiviano
Cari Lynn
Hannah Martin

Nadia Martinez
Cody Masterson
Dustin Maynard
Cliff McComb
Darin McCullough
Resa McGee

Ian Mellott
Angela Mikuls
Lucas Moore
Melody Moore
Tabitha Mulich
Tim Neal

Rachel Nelson
Travis Nelson
Charles Nickloy
Jacqueline Nida
Robert Norman
Brian Parker

Nathan Parker
Randal Parkhill
Casey Paulokovich
Melinda Percifield
Melissa Percifield
Brock Peterson

Kayla Peterson
Alice Pierson
Gary Pinks
Ashley Rafols
Skylar Ramirez
Angela Reyes

112 Sophomores
Crystal Weaver
Amanda Wells
Branden White
Shannon White
Michelle Whitford
Scott Wilkey

Robert Williams
Melissa Wiseman
Sheldon Witzke
Josh Woodruf
Joshua Woods
Jessica Wright

Matt Wright
Tina Zeljeznjak

Class of
2001

* Not Pictured
Front Row: Amy Sofranski, Zulema Liarraga, Francis Crumb. Back Row:
Jacob Johnson, Anna Lavoie, Jennifer Bourn.

How do you feel about ELO?

"It's like they're trying to keep you in a prison."
— Tim Neal

"I think it sucks. They say they want us to act like adults, but they still want to treat us like we're four."
— Nicki Gipson

"I think it's good because it gives you a chance to raise good grades."
— Antonio Sanders

"I don't think it should be required for sophomores. If a person is flunking a class and doesn't care, then they won't go in and get help."
— Heather Herrmann
What word would you like to see your name under in the dictionary?

"Tired. I'm always tired because everyday after school, I have to go to work at 5:00 pm, and I don’t get home until midnight or later."

—Sandra Young

"Understanding. I am really good with people skills. I will listen and talk to anyone who will give their time to me."

—Lacey Langford

"Lusus Naturae. It means a freak of nature, something very abnormal. I would hate to be normal, so I'm not."

—Jason Moehlman

"Smart. Then everyone couldn't call me stupid; they would have to call me smart."

—Alexis Eker

"I wouldn't be in the dictionary because I would want to be unnamed."

—Pete Wiehe

"Unpredictable. I'm always doing different crazy things at the last moment."

—Nikki Green

"Intelligent. I could advance human culture."

—Matt Lewis
Rodney Schweizer
Donnie Schweemin
Chris Scott
Megan Sells
Helen Shepherd
Ruth Shields

Brandon Shirey
Atlantis Smart
Aaron Smith
Mark Smith
Thelma Smith
J.D. Sosebee

Nathan Sparks
Josh Stephens
Trevor Stinnett
Tammy Stokes
Erin Stoner
Jeremy Studt

Amber Sturgeon
Adam Sullivan
Jessica Sullivan
Alex Swayne
Kallie Szewc
Lily Szewc

Amber Thomas
Cinda Thomas
Becky Thompson
Kathy Thompson
Travis Tilford
Amie Trafton

Katie Trent
Sarah Trowbridge
James Vanderpool
Mike Verdict
Mario Villarreal
Abby Vitt

Scott Wade
Shelly Wade
Christina Walker
Brian Warczakoski
Marj Warford
Stephen Webb
What supernatural ability would you like to possess?

“"It would be to predict the future. I could stop bad things from happening."  
— Cherish Freeman

“"It would be to fly because then I could go anywhere I wanted to and feel free."  
— Megan McCluney

“"I would run at the speed of light. If anyone wanted me to do something, I could do it really fast."  
— Scott Gray

“"Telekinesis, so I could move heavy things really easy."  
— Kyle Grabb

*Not Pictured

Front Row: Chris Meyer, Marilyn Reynolds, Chris Brentlinger.  
Back Row: Kevin Kroh, Justin Little, Michael Henschelidt.
Britt Adams
Garold Baker
DiAnne Berning
Leslie Blythe
Jim Bonar
Diane Bonner

Deena Burns
Kristin Byers
Bob Caldwell
Martha Chandley
Robert Chatterton
Bill Coghlan

Steve Cook
Chuck Davis
Ann Decker
Jocelyn Deke
Bill Downing
Debbie Foley

Ann Frost
Carol Hahner
John Heckathorne
Tony Helfrich
Connie Henry
Jill Holder

Linda Horvath
Kerri Jennings
Doug Kapeller
Lew Kasselman
Linda Kasselman
Lutricia Kroh

Mark Lee
Mike Leonard
Randy Lowe
Larry Lundgrin
Debbi Maddy
Michael Maher

John Makona
Chrissy Manis
B.A. Mauldin
Matt McLeod
Patsy Melius
Roger Mignot

Faculty 121
*The Board of Education

*Our Principal
Overseeing the whole school, Dr. Jerry Abbott makes sure that everything runs smoothly.

*Our Vice Principals
Mr. Pete McDonald and Ms. Shirley Vaughn have continued to make suggestions, decisions, and polices to assist the principal in the upbringing of our BSHS.
*You Gotta Love Me*
During Homecoming week on "Teacher-Student Switch Day," Mr. Brandon Williams tries to act like an obnoxious student as his aide Sarah Smith becomes the mature teacher.

*Up and Away*
Watching their balloons attempt to rise to the ceiling in Mrs. Ann Decker's geometry class, freshmen Michael Ashford and Jeremy Woods look-up to an "A".

*Going Ape for Evolution*
Science teacher, Miss. Chrissy Manis intently wraps up her lesson on evolution during her third hour class.

*Lunch Lady Land*

*Role-playing*
Mrs. Jennifer Schlucht's American History class debates the Hollywood Ten Trials which took place during the Cold War.

*Keeping Our School Clean*

Faculty 123
*How Do You Do This?
Junior Julie Benjamin receives some extra help with chemistry from Mr. Steve Cook during ELO.

*May I Take Your Order?
Mrs. Patsy Melhus helps Michelle Stephens, Angelique Howard, and Christi Swayne with their restaurant conversation as they prepare to act out the scene in their Spanish II class.

*Final Day
Students gather around Miss. Jocelyn Deke, student teacher, on her final day to say good-bye and to check their grades.

*Who Wants To Be the Forward?
Mr. Rick Moulin holds the basketball while he reviews the rules of basketball and how important teamwork is in and out of the classroom.

*A Million Laughs a Minute
Waiting for the bell to ring during the last few minutes of class on an ELO day, Mr. Bill Coglian jokes with his third hour geography class.
Are There Any More Dishes?
Senior Mike Neal would rather stay out of sight, but not out of mind, as he helps wash the dishes on a trip to the local soup kitchen, an activity sponsored by NHS.

Building character and self-confidence are just two traits that clubs bring out in students. Clubs give students a sense of belonging and help prepare them for the future by getting them involved in the community. Everyone is good at something, and with the wide variety of organizations our school has to offer, students can join a club that fits their interests and helps them to express themselves.

Fun and Games
The PEER leaders take time to pose for this photo while on their three day retreat at Tall Oaks in Linwood. At the retreat, students participate in planned activities and seminars that help prepare them for a situation that might arise during school.
National Honor Society is an organization in which students must be selected to join. Selected during their junior year, students must have and maintain at least a 3.0 GPA to insure their membership, but that is just the beginning of their duties.

After receiving and signing a Letter of Invitation, students must earn a set amount of NHS points, ten for juniors and five for seniors. These points may be earned numerous ways: playing sports, participating in float construction, and being involved in various club activities.

Two of the ten required points for juniors must be earned from an activity sponsored by NHS, such as monthly trips to the soup kitchen, the annual blood drive, or meal of the month. Juniors must earn all ten points by the end of April of their junior year.

Junior Leslie Lynch comments on the club requirements. "It's very time consuming with all of the activities you have to fulfill, but in the end I think it will be worth it for the acknowledgment and scholarship opportunities I will hopefully receive." After successfully completing all of these tasks, juniors are considered provisional members and can continue as members throughout their senior year, but must complete new tasks as seniors.

Returning seniors must hold a 3.0 GPA or better and earn a total of five points. Two of these five points must be NHS sponsored and must be earned by the end of December of their senior year. After earning all their points and receiving teacher evaluations, seniors are inducted into the National Honor Society at an induction ceremony during the month of April.

National Honor Society is a chance for hardworking students to be recognized and honored for all their hard work and determination. It is not only a club, it is a privilege.

*Future Chefs*
Juniors Amanda Delich, Colleen Rainbolt and Starr McKinney use an assembly line to prepare hot dogs for lunch on the NHS monthly trip to the food kitchen.

*Junior NHS Members*
Five tips to earning your NHS points...

1. **Join Clubs**: The more clubs you join the more opportunities you have to earn points.

2. **Don't Procrastinate**: The sooner you earn your points the better. There may not be as many chances as you think.

3. **Stay Informed**: Make sure you know what is going on, so you'll know about point activities.

4. **Stay on Task**: Keep your grades up. You must have a 3.2 to maintain membership.

5. **Be Organised**: Keep track of club meetings and activities, so you won't miss out and fall behind.

*Careful!*

Senior Tom Gonzales watches attentively as the nurse carefully inserts the needle to take his blood donation.

*Fold, Crease, Roll*

Above left, rolling silverware in napkins is just one of the many jobs that seniors Ted Cigich and Amy Hagedorn encountered on one of NHS’s monthly visits to the Willa Gilla food kitchen in downtown Kansas City, Kansas.

*Fearless*

As junior Alicia Beatty stands by to give assistance and moral support, senior Charles Johnson smiles fearlessly while awaiting the prick of the needle at the annual NHS Blood Drive.
Helping Us Help Ourselves

Important and meaningful, the PEER helpers of BSHS consist of many different types of students. They are selected by their peers during their freshman year. 'When I was chosen, I had a combination between nervousness and anxiety. I was worried about whether or not I would do things right,' comments senior Josh Fillingham. PEER's mission is to help distressed students around BSHS with problems they might be having in life.

Aside from the annual retreat, PEER also sponsors AIDS Awareness Week. 'I think the week is important because it could save your life. You'll be aware of how you can get AIDS. It makes you realize anyone can get it,' remarks junior Stephine Craven.

This year the sponsored week was especially informative because on Tuesday, April 20th, Don Carol, an AIDS infected person talked to the student body very graphically and very seriously about the effects of AIDS. 'It made us be more aware of what we think about when we want to have sex. It also makes us want to talk about it before we actually do it,' reflects junior Linda Davis.

At BSHS, we are very fortunate to have PEER helpers. It is nice for students to know that right at their finger tips they have someone to talk or confide in about everyday problems.

*1998-1999 PEER

*Taking a Break
Playing four-square in their spare time, senior James Hawley and sophomores Kristine Knutter, Brock Peterson, and Oza Shaw take a relaxing break during the annual PEER retreat.

*Slowing Down the Spread
Mixing the chemicals in their cups, sophomores Blaine Brandon and Chris Bartram demonstrate how someone can be infected with the AIDS virus and how a person can't tell who has AIDS just by looking at them. This experiment also shows how deadly the disease is and how fast the virus can spread.

*Fifteen Minutes of Fame
During AIDS Awareness Week, juniors Amanda Delich and Colleen Rainbolt are interviewed by Channel 41 news anchor, Cynthia Evans.
*Listening and Learning*

An infected AIDS patient, Don Carol talks to many students after the assembly about what kinds of medication he has to take and what he goes through everyday. While speaking at the assembly, he showed the crowd the clear boxes in his hand, which contain $180 worth of medication for one day.

*Volunteering Their Time*

PEER helpers and student volunteers fill all the balloons before the balloon release during seventh hour. Juniors Scott Vaughan, Estella Cabellero, Tamra Stephens and sophomore Crystal Weaver are just a few of the many volunteers.

*Showing Care and Concern*

Sophomores Zulema Lizarraga, Mayra Vasquez, Kellie Hoffmann and Melissa Percifield demonstrate their support for the fight against AIDS by wearing the red ribbons they received at the door of the Don Carol assembly.

*Fierce Facts*

PEER helper, sophomore Nathan Haverland acts as the Grim Reaper on "The Day of the Infected" as he paints the face of Sam Garcia, an AIDS infected freshman. There is a person infected every eight minutes with the AIDS virus. This day was meant to reinforce the fact that teenagers are among the fastest growing group of people being infected by the AIDS virus.

*Releasing Our Fears*

The last day of AIDS Awareness Week students released white balloons tied with red ribbons down at the football field. The balloon release symbolizes that through education we can all free ourselves from the deadly AIDS virus.
**Bird’s Eye View**
At the Regional STUCO Conference, discussion groups from various schools try to find a way to reduce student smoking in their schools.

**Dr. Seuss**
STUCO members freshman Mark Smith and junior Mike Dressler support Bonner’s Stuco program with their Seuss-like hats.

**Debating New Ideas**
Sophomore Andrea Cunningham, senior Sarah Huebner, and junior Melissa Chandley discuss the new ideas they received from their discussion groups.

**"Ladies and Gentlemen"**
Senior and STUCO President, Amy Hagedorn introduces the State STUCO Director, Karen Ruder, to a full auditorium of excited STUCO members.

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**Student Council Executive Board**

President: Amy Hagedorn
Vice President: Brian Berg
Secretary: Brandi Mathiesen
Treasurer: Kevin Parks

**Battle of the Classes**
During the pillow jousting contest, at the spring sports assembly, freshman Amos Davis cleverly sweeps junior Jeramy Cigich off his feet to capture the victory for the freshman class.
STUCO Spirit Leaders

Student Council is an opportunity for students to become involved with not only their school, but also their peers. They go to conferences with surrounding schools’ STUCO members to receive ideas to make our school a better, more enjoyable place to be day after day.

Although Student Council sponsors many activities and plans, this year’s main goal was to promote school spirit. This includes student oriented pep assemblies.

At the pep assemblies, students became much more involved and spirited with the new ‘class point system.’ At each pep assembly, classes were awarded points for their enthusiasm and support. At the end of the year, the class with the most points receives a special gift.

On the success of the assemblies, sophomore Anthony Cox comments, ‘I thought the assemblies were fun because of the competition, but it needs more hands on for the audience.’ Becoming a Stuco member is similar to a general election process. Students must first be nominated and then voted upon by their class, and then interviewed for their position.

To many of its members, Stuco is not just a title, it is an opportunity to be a leader, a role model, and a class representative. If the student body needs to address an issue going on at school, it is these leaders who get the job done.

Overall, the year was a total success. ‘The students worked very hard to achieve the goals they set in August,’ reflects Stuco sponsor Anne Selle.

*STUCO

*Class Act
Juniors chant, “J-U-N-I-O-R-S” and cheer on their classmates at one of the many Student Council sponsored pep assemblies.

*STUCO Spirit
It’s the true test of “Survival of the Fittest,” as seniors Jake Streeter and Katie Fesemeyer struggled to get to the end of the gym due to Jake’s clumsy attempts to steer Katie to the finish.
Coming in for ELO, stayinglate and worrying about weekly deadlines are all just small parts in producing the yearbook. Consequently, class doesn’t start at the beginning of the year; it starts at the end of the previous year.

After turning in an application and being selected to be on the staff, members attend summer workshops to receive training and ideas for the upcoming year’s publication. After an interview with Nancy Yankovich, yearbook advisor, members are assigned specific jobs and expected to do their jobs everyday.

Assignments range from writing stories and taking photos to creating layouts and selling ads. When deadlines are near, you can often visit Room 101 and see students working their fingers to the bone, sometimes until ten o’clock.

Editor Sarah Szewc comments on the responsibilities and requirements of being on the staff. “Working on yearbook has taught me how important teamwork is. Everyone pulled together so we could meet our deadlines, which meant that we were here at school until 10:00 sometimes. You not only learn responsibility but time management, and time management is a large factor in creating a successful publication.”

So, the next time you look through your yearbook remember that it’s not just a bunch of pictures and words, it’s a year-long project and that a select few of your hardworking peers burnt the midnight oil to create the best memories possible.

*Teamwork
Teaming up, Karie Thompson and Jennifer Rider put the finishing touches on their Courtwarming pages before they hand them over to Mrs. Yankovich and her red pen.

*Hard at Work
Design editor, junior Paul Berry looks over the freshman and sophomore panel pages before submitting them for final publication in the yearbook.

*Picture Choices
Searching through the numerous files of event pictures, senior Lindsay Collene looks for the perfect action picture to wrap up her pages on cheerleading before the next deadline.
*Nail-Biters*
Yearbook advisor, Nancy Yankovich takes a break from her computer to listen to suggestions, while senior Carla Dechman gets advice from juniors Sarah Szewc and Leslie Lynch on how to improve her wrestling story.

*Co-Workers*
After working together everyday throughout the year, business editors Sarah Huebner and Mike Lemon learned to work together and discuss any decisions they need to make.

*Cropping Creations*
Senior Carla Dechman crops pictures to send to the yearbook plant so they can be resized and copied for use.

*Timely Process*
Senior Jessica Kincaid finishes up the last few steps of developing a contact sheet for the previewing of the negatives.

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**Five most commonly heard phrases in the yearbook room...**

1. "Who can take pictures tonight?"
2. "How many people are staying after school tonight?"
3. "Who's bringing treats on Wednesday?"
4. "MIKE!" (We took out our frustration on him.)
5. "Has anyone seen the red pen so Mrs. Yankovich can hack up our pages?"
Pow Wow on the Prowl

Every three to four weeks, the Pow Wow is published and distributed to the students and faculty at BSHS. From movie reviews to information on sporting events, students can find out what has been happening in and around our school. To bring readers the most up to date and interesting stories, the Pow Wow staff goes out on the scene to get the information that keeps its readers well informed.

Staff members not only publish the paper, but they also compete against other schools in competitions. This year the Pow Wow members went to the Kansas Scholastic Press Association Regional Journalism Conference held at the University of Kansas. PowWow members competed in a number of events ranging from newspaper design to photography and news writing.

Mrs. Jill Holder, advisor, comments, "This has been a great group to work with. At the beginning of the year, they were committed to creating a different looking Pow Wow, and I think that the new look has been very successful. The Pow Wow staff worked very hard to produce the best newspaper for the students."

The new look of the Pow Wow makes its physical appearance different; however, the contents of the Pow Wow still provide readers with the same top-notch coverage of current events and happenings of past years.

*Editing Eye
Advisor, Mrs. Jill Holder edits a staff member's rough draft of a story during her fifth hour newspaper class.

*What Would Be?
Junior Rachel Williams types out a few feature story ideas on the computer for the upcoming edition of the Pow Wow, while senior Brett Woodward finalizes his story before sending it to the printing press.

*1998-1999 Pow Wow Staff
*Pictures, Pictures, and More Pictures*
Junior Samantha Taylor carefully goes through negatives trying to decide what pictures to print while senior Nicole Hammer mixes the chemicals that allow the Pow Wow staff to develop its own film.

*Feature Stories*
Junior Jessica Cockrell starts her feature story on the eccentric new Rain Forest Cafe located in Oak Park Mall, in Overland Park, Kansas.

*Which One Should We Use?*
Juniors Matt McLain, Kim Zarate, and Michael Miller look over the proof sheet of pictures they will need for their story, so the photographer can print them.

*Rolling Down the Page*
Editor, senior Brett Woodward puts the final touches on his page by rolling down the copy.
Tee-Pee Talk: Active Journalism

Juniors and seniors at Bonner Springs High School have the opportunity to apply for Tee-Pee Talk, an adventure in video productions and journalism. Each student is assigned a specific task to complete on a week's deadline. These tasks may range from anchor person, to camera man, or graphics editor.

The students must prepare their own scripts and also edit their own stories. They must be available to record stories both inside and outside of school. Each story is then transferred to a main video and aired throughout the school every two weeks.

Aside from the bi-weekly broadcast, the class also produces the video yearbook with clips ranging from sports to classroom life. These clips are then combined, edited, and recorded on tape so all students can purchase one if they choose.

As a whole, Tee-Pee Talk is entertaining and something for everyone to look forward to. "Tee-Pee Talk is a class that appeals to the whole student body," states Doug Kapeller.

*1998-1999 Tee-Pee Talk Staff

*Script Work
Senior James Andrews puts thought into the upcoming Tee-Pee Talk script by typing his input into the broadcasters works.

*Tunes for Tomorrow
"Do, Re, Mi," senior Calvin McGuire creates the tunes for the next episode of Tee-Pee Talk.

*Back on Five
Seniors Calvin McGuire, Brett Lingo, Josh Fillingham, Ben Miller, and junior Justin Mackey work the technology as they switch camera angles and sound for the final production of Tee-Pee Talk.
Fellowship of Christian Athletes is a club available to all students in the fall of the new school year. Each year the club participates in events such as 'Meet Me at the Pole,' where the members are welcomed to join hands and pray around the flagpole in front of the building before school starts. Also, members volunteer for 'Habitat for Humanity' where they help the community build a house for a needy family.

In addition to service projects, FCA also receives tickets to sporting events and activities in our community and other areas.

**FCA Activities**

FCA Members


*Paint Ball*:

Worn out after an evening filled with paint ball games, FCA members Brian Berg, Derek Bicknell, Matt Gibson, Andrew Dame, Karie Thompson, Nikki Hammer, Jennifer Rider and Nick Rahija prepare to leave and return to school.

**S.T.A.R. Community Leaders**

Students Teaching Awareness Resistance is a club which teaches younger children to say 'No' to drugs and alcohol. Receiving membership into S.T.A.R is not so easy. Current members vote on and interview for new members each year.

S.T.A.R. members invite grade school students to at least one basketball game per year. The S.T.A.R. students are introduced at half-time of the game. Members feel great about what they are teaching the kids. 'S.T.A.R. is a good way to get involved with younger kids to teach them how dangerous drugs and alcohol really are,' remarks junior Mike Dressler.

*S.T.A.R. Leaders*


*Starry Night*

Sophomore Brian Cole and Freshman Brian Smith enjoy sharing their evening with the youngsters who attended the Star Dinner.
The endless hours of rehearsal paid off this year for both the A Capella Choir and Concert Band members.

After working to pull off their "MasterWorks" concert, performed on March 30 with a small orchestra, the A Capella Choir had less than two weeks to perfect their sound for State.

Both groups worked hard to get their crescendos, cut-offs, and entrances just right before their April 14th trip to Gardner-Edgerton High School to perform. Choirs are allowed to take four pieces of music to State. Of the four pieces, the judges pick two and the director picks a third. One of the three must also be A Capella.

The band selects two pieces of their choice and also performs them both for the judges and audience.

The judges then write and record audio comments for the groups to take with them to use for perfection.

Both groups received a "T" rating. Ratings range from "I-V" with "I" being the best. There was a total of 26 bands there and BSHS was one of 4 groups receiving a "T" rating.

Out of 32 choirs, only 7 mixed choirs received a "T" rating, with Bonner included. Choir director Steve Strom comments, "I was very proud of our students. They did a superior job, while the judges were judging hard. We have a lot to be proud of."

Congratulations to all of the A Capella Choir and Concert Band members who worked many long, hard hours to represent Bonner in a great way.

*Concert Band Members*


*Flag Corps*

During the fall sports assembly, the Flag Corps performs as the band plays the traditional fight song.

*Marching Band*

During this year's Homecoming festivities, freshman Jack Holtzen and Brandon Shirey show off their drumming and marching skills in the annual parade.
"A Capella Choir Members

"Chorale Choir Members

"Open Wide
While singing "Winter is on the Wing," at the fall concert, Chorale Choir members display their good choir form by shaping their vowels for a perfect sound.

"Practice Makes Perfect
After numerous hours of practicing rhythm, tempo, and pitch, the Womens Ensemble show the crowd their outstanding talent as they perform "Blue Night" at the year's first concert.

"Womens Ensemble Choir Members
Mind Shattering

BSHS adopted a new class this year called Engineering and Design. This class is in charge of building an electric car to be raced for an hour on 12 volt batteries. The object of the race is to have your car make as many laps as possible during your hour.

Instructed by physics teacher Steve Cook, this year's class designed four cars, one of which will be entered in the Electrathon Race in May. The requirements for the construction of the car are very specific. First, team members must submit a complete drawing of the car. Then, while building the car, they must keep its dimensions under four feet wide by twelve feet long. Lastly, they must make sure the battery does not exceed 64 pounds.

Meeting these requirements made the building of the car more challenging than students first expected. "We didn't realize how much work went into building an electric car until we actually started," comments Melissa Chandler. The students in this class discovered some 'mind-shattering' insights.

**Framing It**
Drilling on the car's main frame, junior Kevin Collins makes the car sturdier.

**Teamwork**
Working together trying to finish the 1998-99 Electric Car, senior Daniel Wacht and junior Zack Casey struggle to work on the car's steering column.

**Tough Judges**
Judging the answers, senior Leanna Harvey and junior Matt Gibson quiz a mock trial student before their upcoming trial while freshman Jamison Johnson organizes and studies his personal duties in the trial.

**1998-1999 Electric Car**
**Front Row:** Jason Moulin, Jason Gander, Colleen Rainbolt, Scott Polley, Dallas Kirby. **Back Row:** Daniel Wacht, Amanda Loncar, Dan Morche, Ryan Kennedy, Justin Mackey, Steve Cook, Kevin Collins, James Andrews, Zack Casey, Melissa Chandler.

**1998-1999 Mock Trial**
**Front Row:** Jamison Johnson, Katie Parks, Paula Mason, Kourtney Steinhurst, Rachel Bodd. **Second Row:** Kevin Parks, Leanna Harvey, Melissa Clark, Emily Moehlman, Amanda Sawyer, Angelique Howard. **Back Row:** Matt Golubski, T.J. Douglas, Matt Gibson, Andrew Damer, Nathan Sparks, Daniel Wacht, Kristin Byers.

140 Mock Trial/Electric Car
*1998-1999 Science Olympiad*

**Front Row:** Erin Stoner, Mandy Goins, Andrea Cunningham, Colleen Rainbolt, Melissa Chandley, Katie Fesenmeyer.  
**Second Row:** Stephine Fesenmeyer, Sarah Rowland, Katie Parks, Rachel Boddy, Kevin Parks, Tim Erickson, Tom Gonzales.  
**Back Row:** Jesse Wright, Kristine Knutter, Michael Ashford, Kevin Collins, Joey Ford, Andrew Dame.

*Mind Wrecking*

Studying hard, freshmen Katie Parks and Michael Ashford practice for their upcoming tests while Abby Vitt ponders her events in her head while on a break at a Science Olympiad practice round at Kearney High School.

*1998-1999 Quiz Bowl*

**Front Row:** T. Adams, N. Haverland, M. Goins, E. Stoner, A. Vitt, S. Fesenmeyer, M. Chandley, L. Ellington.  
**Not Pictured:** P. Mason.

*Brain Baffling*

Rachel Boddy listens intently to what is being said at the BSHS Quiz Bowl tournament as Josh Woods waits for someone to buzz in so scorekeeper Nathan Sparks may put up the points.
Laugh. Love. Lift is the slogan of the Kayettes which floats through the auditorium doors on Wednesday mornings during the monthly club meeting. Over one hundred girls participate in the organization because they want to help out in the community by volunteering for different events. Throughout the year, Kayette members make holiday gifts for the faculty, visit nursing homes, and pick up around the school.

The Kayettes also continue to sponsor a child, Binta Mana, from Gambia. For over ten years, Kayettes have sent her letters, clothes, and small gifts to show her the latest trends in the U.S.

For the Homecoming game, members make spirit buttons and give them to senior citizens at the game and also sell them to other people in the crowd.

Junior Sandra Morgan comments on her favorite Kayette activity. ‘My favorite activity to participate in is the secret Val Pal. It gives everyone a chance to meet someone that we might not have known before.’ For five days, members buy their val pal small gifts and give them clues to see if they can figure out who their secret pal is.

Another favorite activity for Kayette members is the annual Powder Puff football game, which the Kayettes use as a fundraiser for the year’s activities. The seniors and freshmen team up against the juniors and the sophomores for a night of fun and comedy.

Mrs. Deena Burns is very proud of this year’s accomplishments. ‘Kayettes has been lots of fun, and I would like to thank the girls for doing so much to help others. It doesn’t go unnoticed.’

Kayettes is a well-established organization, and it will continue to be one of BSHS’s strongest clubs for years to come.

*With Love, Your Val Pal
During the Val Pal gift exchange, senior Sarah Huebner opens her gift of fingernail polish and other treats she received from her Val Pal Laura Jackson, while Amy Steele and Susan Sadrakulalook on. Meanwhile, members look at their gifts, and others gather around the table as Mrs. Deena Burns and Melissa Lewis scoop out a variety of ice cream.

*Annual Kayettes Conference
While at the Lansing Kayettes and Kays Regional Meeting, Kayette officers and board members take time to pose before going to their next session. Throughout the day, the Kayettes go to different sessions to find out what other Kayette and Kay clubs are doing in within their clubs.

*1998-1999 Senior/Junior Kayettes
*Seniors and Freshmen Rock!*
Before the big game, the senior and freshmen team pose for this group shot with their coach Joe DiPonio, with the seniors flashing the sign “friends for life.” At the end of the game, the score was tied and everyone went home a winner.

*Stars for a Cause*
In the holiday spirit, sophomore Kortney Steinhurst shows her support for her class and the less fortunate, by buying a foil star to help decorate the star tree in the commons area. Each class had a different color star and at the end of the week, there were over one hundred and fifty stars on the tree. All profits were given to the Vaughn-Trent organization.

*1998-1999 Sophomore/Freshman Kayettes*

*Blast from the Past*
Sophomore Kristine Knutter dances with Juanita O. Carver at the first ever “Senior Prom” for the residents at Bonner Springs Manor on March 5th. Big Band music was played and corsages were made for the seniors to wear.
Lending a Hand

Many organizations around Bonner Springs High School have one main target, helping their community and their environment. These clubs include Ecology Club, the D.A.R.E. Program, Key Club and FHA. The Ecology Club paid club dues to go towards purchasing a brick at 'Science City' with the club name on it. They also take a field trip to help plant trees at the Conservation District.

The D.A.R.E. Program is a select group of students elected by the community police officers.

This group travels to local elementary schools to help the younger students learn about drugs and alcohol and how to resist them.

The Key Club organizes 'Project Gather,' a chance for students to lend a hand by bringing donations of food, clothing and personal hygiene products. Along with the money earned from "The Penny War," these items are then donated to the local Vaughn-Trent fund.

FHA sponsors a 'Turkey Legs' contest in which students placed money in the jars of the teacher they thought had the best turkey legs, with the proceeds from this contest going to the March of Dimes. FHA also made and served refreshments at the Art Fair and offered refreshments and babysitting services to the community at the district wide Drug Awareness Night.

These clubs all had a helpful and successful year. They succeeded in completing their goals and helping out those in need. These helping hands deserve a big pat on the back.

*Finger Paints
Key Club members, Kim Zarate, and Jamie Sangster help put on a "Aids Awareness Week" at Clark Middle School. Faces were painted to represent the numbers of students infected.

*We Love Otis!
FHA Club member junior Starr McKinney pleases seniors Phillip Tombs and Amy Dill by selling them those warm, plump Otis Spunkmeyer cookies.

*Key Club Members

*FHA Members
*Plow Boy
Senior Cody Vasquez helps out at the Conservation District by plowing the soil to make room for the new plants.

*Hard at Work
Sophomores Corissa Silvers and Angela Reyes work hard at the Conservation District to dig holes for the new trees.

*Reaching out to Students
D.A.R.E. members, seniors John Mallory, Mike Goins, Laura Jackson, and Lindsay Collene along with officer Tim Pierce, make a trip to Southwest Elementary school to help inform kids on the effects of drugs and alcohol.

*Ecology Club Members
CONGRATULATIONS!!

Derek,
"It isn't looks that makes one great,
But character that seals your fate,
And what's within your heart you see
That makes or mars your destiny."

You have a beautiful heart
and that's what really matters!

We love you,
Mom, Dad & Drew

DEREK BICKNELL

John,
We are so proud of you. You've worked hard
and accomplished so much—for which you have
given us so many special memories. Remember
that we will always support you, so hold
on to your beliefs and follow your dreams.
The best is yet to come!

We love you very much,
Mom and Dad

John Mallory
Justin Shepherd

Justin,

Congratulations!
You have done so well!
Continue to follow your dreams. I know you will succeed in whatever you pursue. I am so proud of you!

Love, Mom

CARLA and ERIC

Cousins at birth..........Friends for life!!

We are so proud of you both. Remember to always follow your dreams and you will find much happiness and success in your life. We love you both.

Love,
Mom,
Dad and
Kevin

Love,
Mom,
Joe and
Bubba
Sarah Huebner

Hey “Bucko”-
Hey “Conehead”
you’ve worked hard,
played hard and
made us all proud!!!
Nothing can stop you
now!!!

All our love,
Mom, Dad and Paul

Michael Allen Neal

Michael,

It seems like only yesterday we were playing baseball in the
front yard with you sliding into every base. Look at you now all
grown up into a young man that we are very proud of. Continue to follow your dreams, let your heart be your guide
and always reach for the stars. Just remember that we are behind you every step of the way and will always be there for you.

Congratulations!

Love always,
Mom, Dad and Tim
Daniel Wachter

Mom
Gary
Melissa
Larry
Lori
Brandon

Dad
Neil
Chitty
Gaby
Regina
Frankie

Jennifer Smith

We're so very proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Brian

We're so very proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Brian

Congratulations Slugger!!

We Love You!!

CONGRATULATIONS AMY STEELE!

Amy,

As a child you were loved and the memories shine like the light of a far away star. But never forget, little girl I love even more today the woman that you are.

I just wanted to say “Amy, thanks for the memories.”

Love, Mom

Class of '99
Congratulations
Adam!!
We know you will do great in everything that you do in life!

Love
You,
Christina
&
Family

Erica Lee
Robertson

John Nicholas Coleman
Class of '99

Words alone will never express the pride we have in you, John. From preschooler to Eagle Scout and now to High School grad. We've always felt that you could do anything and will succeed in anything that you do. Remember, what matters is not just being good but doing good for others. Always the gentleman, your character and integrity, which should never be compromised, shine through to all who know you. On life's journey, laugh often, love, do your best, enjoy the ride, the scenery and your fellow travelers, not just the destination.

Love, Mom, Dad, and Justin
We know there will be bigger fish to fry in your future.

Congratulations to Aaron Brickey and Jason Gander

(cousins)

Love, Dad, Mom, and Sis
Bob, Jan, and Jill Brickey
Jim, Jerri and Jennifer Gander

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Jerica Jean Seaton

Jerica,

You'll be great at whatever you choose in life to do. It's a big world out there, go for it!

We love you, Jerica.

Lar, Mom, Meric and all your Grandparents and Granny.

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Cherie Stauber

Cherie,

The day you were born you started the world with your smile. Thank you for all of the happiness you have given.

Congratulations on all of your accomplishments. We are very proud of you. Continue to work toward your goals.

You will go far.

Love, Mom and Martin
Laura Jackson

“A daughter can go as far as her dreams will take her...but she’ll always be your little girl.”

Watching you grow up has been one of the greatest gifts of life.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Kacey Oldham

Kacey,

It seems like just a little while ago you raised your tiny head and smiled at me for the first time and I smiled back with tears. I loved you so much then. Though you are older now living your dreams pursing your own goals I still look at your beautiful smile to know that things are all right with you and I am so very proud of you and I love you even more now.

Good Luck in the Marines; I love you!

Mom
In memory of my son,
Jared Austin Holmgren
"My Buddy"

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT
Life made us a bargain when we first came into this world:
That, as surely as we live, someday we will die. As surely as we laughed, someday we will cry.
So that for all the assets that life and health and joy bring, they are balanced on earth by hate and disease and sorrow.
Our sorrow is the price we pay for all the love and joy we took so freely.
We needn’t weep such bitter tears if our laughter had not been so sweet for years.
If the price I pay for loving Jared is the pain and sorrow I now have.
I still think I got a bargain: to have had him for 15 years.
If the only way to avoid the pain is to also avoid the pleasure of loving someone.
Then love them with all your heart and soul and mourn their loss the same and count your life a bargain for having loved.

The Lord Is Looking
There is nothing covered that will not be revealed, nor hidden that will not be known. --Luke 12:2
You’ll always be the same to me as when I knew you last. You’ve no tomorrow in this world, but live in recent past. So I will watch your sister, your classmates, and your friends grow to their adulthood and dream-filled ends.
And soon they’ll have their families, and years will pass them by. Still I know what I shall hold and cherish in my mind’s eye. I see others get gray-tempered and paunchy in the waist, and doing in slow motion what once was done in a haste.
And they will all be care-worn from their many daily trials as taxes, jobs, and housework erode those youthful smiles. And I’ll have comfort having what time can’t tear apart. For you’ll be that forever teen to keep within my heart.

GOD HAS AN ALL-SEEING EYE-AND AN ALL-FORGIVING HEART.
We can’t hide our sins from God. So let’s confess them and accept His gracious forgiveness.

M.R. DeHaan, M.D.
Years of Teaching

Pat Sheley

Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication. Your talents have shined through in everything that you have accomplished during your years at BSHS. From the classroom, to yearbook, to sponsoring the senior class, your kindness and leadership is never-ending.

B.A. Mauldin

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Leaving Our Home

As the year comes to an end, books are returned, and lockers are cleaned out, but students' new found knowledge will remain with them for years. Some of the students are leaving home to move on to bigger opportunities, only to come back for visits with friends. The rest of the students are remaining here at BSHS, helping to carry on the traditions.

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The yearbook staff would like to thank the following people: Nancy Hall and the Herff Jones Inc., the Bonner Springs-Edwardsville Chieftain, Jill Holder, Linda Horvath and Ken Clark. Without your help this yearbook would not have been possible.
Friends gained momentum buzzing through another successful season by adding story lines about Phoebe giving birth, Ross and Emily's divorce, and Monica and Chandler's new relationship.

Cameron Diaz turned heads and stomachs in the summer surprise blockbuster There's Something About Mary with Ben Stiller and Matt Dillon. There was also a huge demand for the movie's scene-stealing Border terrier in a cast. Twentieth Century Fox made only 820 of the stuffed dog promotional items. The hit made more than $220 million.

Audiences and critics alike responded to the brilliant characters, witty wordplay, and physical humor found in Frasier. The show won an Emmy for Outstanding Comedy Series and Kelsey Grammer and David Hyde Pierce both won Emmys for their portrayals of the Crane brothers.

Adam Sandler's movie career soared. He followed the success of The Wedding Singer with Waterboy, a comedy that made $122 million.

The WB's coming-of-age-drama, Felicity, drew high ratings among 18 to 34-year-olds in upper income households.
Jim Carrey won a Golden Globe for best actor in *The Truman Show*. The movie was also nominated for three Oscars.

*Dawson’s Creek* continued to keep the attention of viewers with its handsome cast and controversial subject matter.

*Saving Private Ryan* gave a graphic account of the violence of World War II and earned Steven Spielberg Golden Globes for best director and best film. The blockbuster took in $188 million the first time, and was re-released in February. It received an Oscar nomination for best picture.

Fast-talking Chris Tucker proved himself to be star material as a Los Angeles Police detective in *Rush Hour*. He teamed with Jackie Chan in this action comedy that made more than $139 million.

Fox’s *Ally McBeal* remained a favorite for its offbeat humor and received a Golden Globe Best Comedy Series Award.

**Top 10 movies of 1998:**

- Saving Private Ryan
- There’s Something About Mary
- The Truman Show
- Shakespeare in Love
- A Bug’s Life
- The Waterboy
- Rush Hour
- Armageddon
- Lethal Weapon 4
- Enemy of the State

- Gus Van Sant recreated Alfred Hitchcock’s 1960 *Psycho* with Vince Vaughn as Norman Bates and Anne Heche playing the shower victim.

- Favorites that continued to earn high ratings included *Just Shoot Me, the X-Files, Dharma and Greg, Touched By An Angel, Spin City, JAG,* and *Everybody Loves Raymond*.

- New shows such as *Jesse, That ’70s Show, Sports Night,* and *Will and Grace* were popular with fans and critics.

- We bid farewell to one of TV’s greatest shows, *Seinfeld*. The last episode aired May 14.

- Michael J. Fox walked away from the Golden Globe Awards as best actor in a comedy/musical series. Fox revealed earlier in the year that he had been suffering from Parkinson’s disease for the past seven years.

- The 1st annual TV Guide Awards, where winners were chosen by viewers in a mail-in survey, was held in February.

- TV’s most eligible bachelor, *Today’s* Matt Lauer, tied the knot with Annette Roque. Ethan Hawke and Uma Thurman married May 1 in Manhattan. *Home Alone* star, 17-year-old Macaulay Culkin, said “I do” to Rachel Miner, also 17.
George Clooney left the very successful drama *ER* to pursue more movie opportunities. He plans to produce some television shows and make guest appearances on *ER* next season.

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Phil Hartman, best known for *Saturday Night Live* and *News Radio*, died. Puppeteer Shari Lewis and funny man Flip Wilson lost their battles with cancer. We said goodbye to Roy Rogers, Gene Autrey, and TV’s well-known dad, Robert Young. Gene Siskel, of the movie critic team Siskel & Ebert, died in February.

Sarah Michelle Gellar’s career skyrocketed. TV’s *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* mixed typical teenage crises with supernatural deception and horror. Gellar starred in two movies, *Simply Irresistible* and *Cruel Intentions*.

Today’s Katie Couric battled to educate Americans about colon cancer after losing her husband to the deadly disease last year. Couric’s place at NBC remained firm with a $7 million contract.

After more than 10 years of marriage, Demi Moore and Bruce Willis called it quits.

Rosie O’Donnell’s live daily talk show continued to win the hearts of viewers. It won an Emmy for Best Talk Show as well as a TV Guide Award.

**What were your favorite television shows and movies?**

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*Other news* • *Other news* • *Other news*
At 17, Monica released her second successful album, *The Boy is Mine*. The Georgia native’s career has rocketed since her first album, *Miss Thang*. With her new mature sound, success seems to be her destiny. Teaming with Brandy on the single, *The Boy is Mine*, the duo won a Grammy for Best R&B Performance By A Duo.

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Toronto’s Barenaked Ladies became extremely popular with their album, *Stunt*. They were part of the summer’s H.O.R.D.E. tour and their single, *One Week*, went to number one on the Billboard Hot 100.

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Brandy had a good year with the success of her *Never Say Never* album released in the spring of 1998. The album included a duet with Monica, *The Boy is Mine*. She also made her big-screen debut with *I Still Know What You Did Last Summer.*
The Dave Matthews Band album, *Before These Crowded Streets*, debuted at number one last May. The band was the second 1998 top concert money earner, with more than $40 million.

Madonna’s music and appearance have softened since motherhood. She won Grammys for her album *Ray of Light* which received Best Pop Album and the single, *Ray of Light*, which received Best Dance Recording.

In 1998, Jewel stayed busy with her album *Hands* which sold 10 million copies. She also released a poetry book, *A Night Without Armor*, which sold more than 500,000 copies.

Just a week after its release, Lauryn Hill’s debut solo album, *The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill*, climbed to the top of the Billboard charts. Hill wrote and produced the entire album which received 10 Grammy nominations. Hill won 5 Grammys, including one for Best R&B Album and Best New Artist.
The Backstreet Boys sold more than 22 million records worldwide. With hits like 'I'll Never Break Your Heart' and 'All I Have To Give', their fresh faces and dance club music have teens and even some adults screaming for more.

Australian-born Natalie Imbruglia dominated airways for a year with her first single, 'Torn'. Her album, 'Left of the Middle', sold more than five million copies.

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Frank Sinatra, "Ol' Blue Eyes," died at age 82.

The Dixie Chicks three-part harmony mixed classic country sound with contemporary style. Their album, 'Wide Open Spaces', made them one of the biggest selling new acts of 1998. They took home the Horizon Award at the 32nd annual Country Music Awards. They scored big at the Grammys, winning Best Country Album with 'Wide Open Spaces' and Best Country Performance By A Duo for 'There's Your Trouble.'
On December 19, President William Jefferson Clinton became only the second President in history to be impeached by Congress. Kenneth Starr’s investigation culminated with the House of Representatives being presented with four articles of impeachment. The House adopted two of the articles and the stage was set for a Senate trial. The impeachment trial lasted five weeks and ended on February 12 with President Clinton’s acquittal on charges of perjury and obstruction of justice.

On February 29, 1962, John Glenn became the first American astronaut to orbit the earth. Glenn, 77, took his second space voyage on October 29, 1998, aboard the shuttle Discovery. Returning after nine days, Glenn found readjusting to gravity to be the greatest challenge of the mission. He was welcomed back to earth with a New York City ticker tape parade.

On his 85th pastoral trip outside of Italy, Pope John Paul II traveled to the United States and Mexico. His return to Mexico was significant because it was the country where he made his first foreign trip as Pope. His visit to St. Louis was his first trip to the Gateway To the West.

Two officers were killed when 41-year-old Russell Weston charged into the U.S. Capitol building and opened fire. Weston had a history of mental instability and violence. He was caught and charged with murder. The victims, Officer Jacob Chestnut (top), and Special Agent John Gibson (bottom), were called heroes for their bravery and sacrifice.

None of the 229 people on board Swiss Flight 111 survived the September 2 crash on the coast of Canada’s Nova Scotia. The cause of the crash was reported to be faulty wiring.
Jordan’s King Hussein, 63, died of cancer. He ruled Jordan since 1952, longer than any other leader in the middle east. Hussein played a crucial role in the peace process between the Palestinians and Israelis. His funeral procession was attended by nearly a million people. His son, 37-year-old Prince Abdullah, is heir to the throne.

Newt Gingrich resigned as Speaker of the House after the Republicans lost five seats in the House of Representatives in the November elections.

Food was a powerful weapon in Sudan’s 15-year civil war. Officials of the famine-plagued country allowed an airdrop of food from the U.N., but it was impossible to feed all of the hungry.

Dr. Jack Kevorkian made headlines once again when CBS’s 60 Minutes aired a videotape of the Michigan doctor assisting a suicide. He was arrested and charged with first degree murder.

Even after promising full cooperation, Iraq’s Saddam Hussein continued to frustrate and restrict U.N. arms inspectors. The United States and Great Britain joined forces in a December 17 strike against military targets in Iraq. In the months following the attack, Hussein increased military activity and went on the offensive with dog fights in the “no-fly” zone.

Eric Rudolph, the prime suspect in the January 29, 1998, bombing of a Birmingham, Alabama, abortion clinic that killed one person and seriously injured another, remained on the loose as one of the F.B.I.’s Most Wanted fugitives. Rudolph was believed to be hiding in the hills of North Carolina. The fact that he was an avid outdoorsman has led searchers to think it may be a long time before he is found.
In Texas, James Byrd Jr., a 49-year-old African American, was dragged by his ankles behind a truck driven by three white men, all of whom were charged with murder.

Three Utah sisters all gave birth on the same day, March 11, despite almost impossible odds. Strangely enough, the baby that was due last was born first.

Former Governor of Alabama and four-time presidential candidate George Wallace died in September.

A large number of people contracted E. coli in 1998. It was discovered in water supplies, meat products, and various water parks across America. Two-year-old McCall Akin died after contracting E. coli at an Atlanta water park.

University of Wyoming freshman Matthew Shepard was beaten and left to die October 12 after leaving a campus hangout with Russell Henderson, 21, and Aaron McKinney, 22. Shepard’s death ignited an outpouring of sympathy and protests from gay rights activists.

Houston’s Nkem Chukwu became the first woman to give birth to a surviving set of octuplets. The first baby was born December 8 and the rest came on December 20. Seven of the eight babies have survived.

On March 24 in Jonesboro, Arkansas, Mitchell Johnson, 13, and Andrew Golden, 11, opened fire on Westside Elementary students and teachers who were evacuating the school during a fire alarm. The boys, who were positioned in nearby woods, killed four girls and one teacher, and wounded 10 others.

Indonesian President Suharto stepped down from a 32-year reign in May after a three-day protest outside of Parliament. Although Vice President B.J. Habibe was sworn in until 2003, conditions did not improve and protests continued. As a result, Parliament agreed to hold new elections in the spring.

Thousands were wounded and 224 killed when the U.S. embassies in Nairobi and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, were bombed. Saudi exile Osama bin Laden was suspected of being behind the terrorist attacks. President Clinton retaliated with a missile strike. Seven men were arrested in connection with the bombings.

In China, monsoon rains caused the Yangtze River to flood to levels not reached since 1954. Damages were estimated at $30 billion and 3,656 were reported dead.

Extensive fires caused by long-term-drought forced 70,000 people to flee their Florida homes in July. The National Guard, Marines, and firefighters from across the nation battled the flames.
Hurricane Mitch's fury hit hard, killing more than 10,000 people in Honduras, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Nicaragua and leaving some two million homeless. Eight days of rain and 180-mile-an-hour winds followed the hurricane which was said to be the deadliest storm in the Atlantic in 200 years.

Jesse "The Body" Ventura became the governor of Minnesota in January. The former Navy SEAL and professional wrestler pulled off a stunning upset in November winning the governor's race as a member of the Reform party.

Clint Hallam, a 48-year-old New Zealander, was the recipient of the world's first hand transplant. Unfortunately, after the September surgery in Lyons, France, Hallum disappeared and broke all contact with the doctors on the transplant team.

The GM strikes that idled 161,000 workers and shut down nearly all GM production plants in North America came to an end July 29.

Bob Livingston succeeded Newt Gingrich as Speaker of the House then abruptly resigned after confessing to marital infidelity. Six-term Illinois Congressman Dennis Hastert was chosen to replace him.

Russian democracy advocate Galina Starovoitova was killed in St. Petersburg. The country's leading liberal legislator appeared to be the victim of a professional assassin. Moscow's political class expressed outrage and despair over the rampant corruption in politics.

El Niño was blamed for extremely hot and rainy weather around the world. The unusual weather patterns were caused when ocean currents and winds began changing in early 1997. In Africa, the weather was deadly, causing a spread of Rift Valley fever. The disease, transmitted by mosquitoes, killed 89,000 people.

Some 9,000 jobs were expected to be lost worldwide with Exxon's purchase of Mobil for $73.7 billion in stock, making it the richest deal ever.

On February 1, a powerful explosion in the Dearborn, Michigan, Ford Motor plant left one dead and many injured. It was believed that one of the boilers in the powerhouse plant was responsible for the explosion. The plant was Ford's largest concentration of factories.

A magnitude-6 earthquake hit Armenia, Colombia in January, leaving thousands homeless and killing over 900 people.

The largest industrial merger in history took place when the world's number six car company, Chrysler, joined with number 15 Daimler-Benz to create the fifth largest car company in the world.

Former three-pack-a-day smoker Patricia Henley was awarded $50 million in punitive damages after suing Philip Morris. The 52-year-old was diagnosed with inoperable lung cancer last year and blamed the tobacco company for getting her addicted to cigarettes at a young age and misleading her about the dangers of smoking.
Americans were “ready to rumble” this year with the popularity of professional wrestling on the rise. There was much debate between wrestlers from the old school who fight to prove they are the best and newcomers who believe in more intense entertainment.

A talking chihuahua proved to be a great marketing tool for Taco Bell. His catch phrase, “Yo quiero Taco Bell” (meaning “I want some Taco Bell,”) saucy voice, and swaggering strut made him an especially hot dog!

Volkswagen introduced its new “Beetle” in March of ‘99 and by January of ’99 had sold 100,000 cars. The car also won awards as North American Car of the Year, JD Powers and Associates Most Appealing Small Car, and Consumer Digest’s Best Buy.

Fashion designers looked to the past to create the newest trends in clothing. Calf-length skirts and capri pants, elbow length shirts, carpenter pants, spaghetti strap dresses and tops, and chunky shoes were seen everywhere. Long, straight hair and the bob began to come back. Adidas, GAP, Old Navy, and Abercrombie & Fitch were some popular name brands with teens.

March 9, 1999, marked Barbie’s 40th birthday. The number one teenage fashion model was honored by Mattel with the introduction of Crystal Jubilee Barbie and the Gala Edition 40th Anniversary Barbie.

The “must have” toy for Christmas this year was the Furby, a small, furry bundle that speaks. The furby’s vocabulary increased over time, and it interacted by sneezing, giggling, or speaking.
The controversial Russian Mir space station made headlines as it conducted experiments with mirrors in space. Scientists were attempting to bring light to northern countries such as Russia and Canada during the dark winter months.

The country began to jump, jive, and wail as swing dancing returned. The music and dance has an upbeat sound and movement not seen since the 1940s.

Another big hit for children this year were Teletubbies, brightly colored characters with televisions in their tummies. The foursome originated in England and enchanted children everywhere.

Apple introduced its iMac computer, translucent with a round mouse. The fast, inexpensive computer hit stores in August with a 233-MHz G3 chip, a 24X CD-ROM drive, and a 15-inch monitor.

Henna tattoos were a hot trend, giving people the opportunity to decorate their bodies without the permanence of regular tattoos. They could even be done at home with a kit.

Palm Pilots were popular with consumers. The newest version, the Palm Pilot V, made the already convenient item even better. It had an anodized aluminum case and an advanced LCD screen with lithium-ion batteries that could be recharged in minutes.

Saturn introduced the world's first three-door coupe. The third door did not raise the cost of the car, making it even more attractive.

Emily Rosa, 11, of Colorado made news when she published a paper in the Journal of the American Medical Association that presented the results of her two-year study on therapeutic touch.

Philips introduced the 42" Flat Plasma Television. The 4.5" wide set was formatted to be hung on the wall and had a 160° viewing angle. An expected one million units are to be made by the year 2000.

Writeable CDs became more mainstream, allowing computer users to save large amounts of data, up to 640 megabytes.

Lymerix, a vaccine developed by SmithKline Beecham, was found to prevent Lyme disease. The disease was expected to reach a record high this year as a result of El Niño’s warmer temperatures and extra moisture.

Game Boy got better with Game Boy Color. They came in solid or transparent purple, and the screen display was color. Pre-existing games could be played in color also.
Olympic triple gold medalist and track superstar Florence Griffith Joyner, 38, died from a cardiac condition. Her track records have remained unbroken.

The University of Kentucky won its second national basketball championship in three years with new coach Tubby Smith.

Scottie Pippen and the Chicago Bulls won their sixth NBA championship in eight years. Michael Jordan’s last shot in the NBA beat the Utah Jazz in the last seconds of the game.
The New York Yankees pulled off a winning year with a great roster of veteran pitchers and hitters. The strong team led the Yankees to the earliest playoff spot in history and a World Series sweep of the Padres.

Mark O’Meara was the PGA player of the year after winning the Masters and the British Open. He had the distinction of being the oldest player in PGA history to win two majors in one year.

Race horse Real Quiet had hopes of a Triple Crown after winning both the Kentucky Derby and Preakness. Those hopes faded as Victory Gallop won the Belmont Stakes run on June 6.

Female boxing gained popularity. Women brought a freshness to the sport which may soon become a part of mainstream boxing.

After a 14-year basketball career, superstar Michael Jordan retired in January. Considered by many to be the greatest basketball player in history, he won five MVP awards and six NBA Championships with the Chicago Bulls.

Chinese gymnast Sang Lan was paralyzed while warming up for the Goodwill Games in New York. Her Olympic dreams were shattered, but she found comfort with the family that cared for her until her own could arrive.
John Elway led the Denver Broncos to a second consecutive Super Bowl victory. The Broncos defeated the Atlanta Falcons 34-19. Quarterback Elway was unsure if he would return for another season to try to win a record-setting third consecutive Super Bowl.

20-year-old Se Ri Pak from Korea won the U.S. Women's Open in Wisconsin. This was one of two major wins, and she set an LPGA tournament record.

Detroit beat Washington 4-0 in the Stanley Cup Finals, winning their second consecutive title. The Red Wings were honored when 1.2 million fans celebrated in downtown Detroit.

The St. Louis Cardinal's Mark McGwire beat Roger Maris' record of 61 home runs in a single season. McGwire ended the season with 70 home runs.

Sammy Sosa was close behind Mark McGwire and also broke Roger Maris' single-season homerun record. Sosa ended the season with 66 homers.

The Williams sisters, Venus and Serena (left to right), breathed new life into tennis with their strong personalities and big-hitting games. Venus stayed in the top ten list of players and sister Serena remained in the upper teens.