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LAIR  
2002

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## 2001-2002

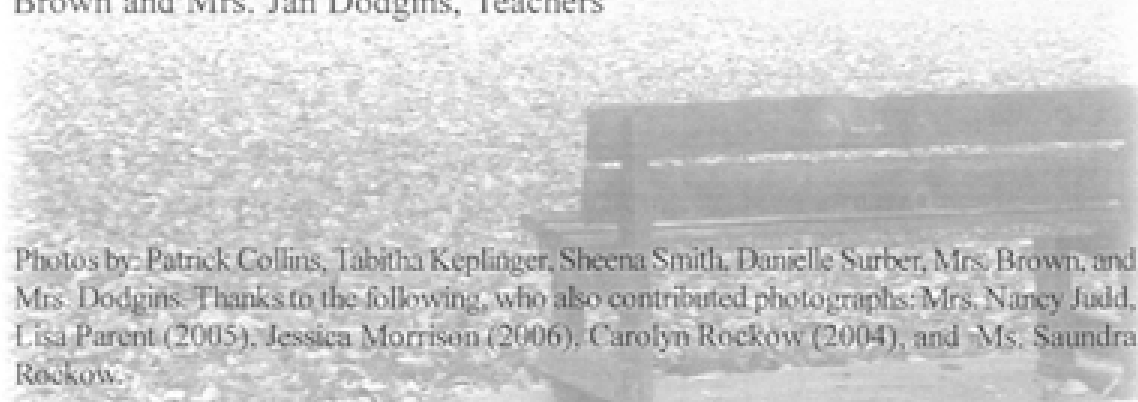
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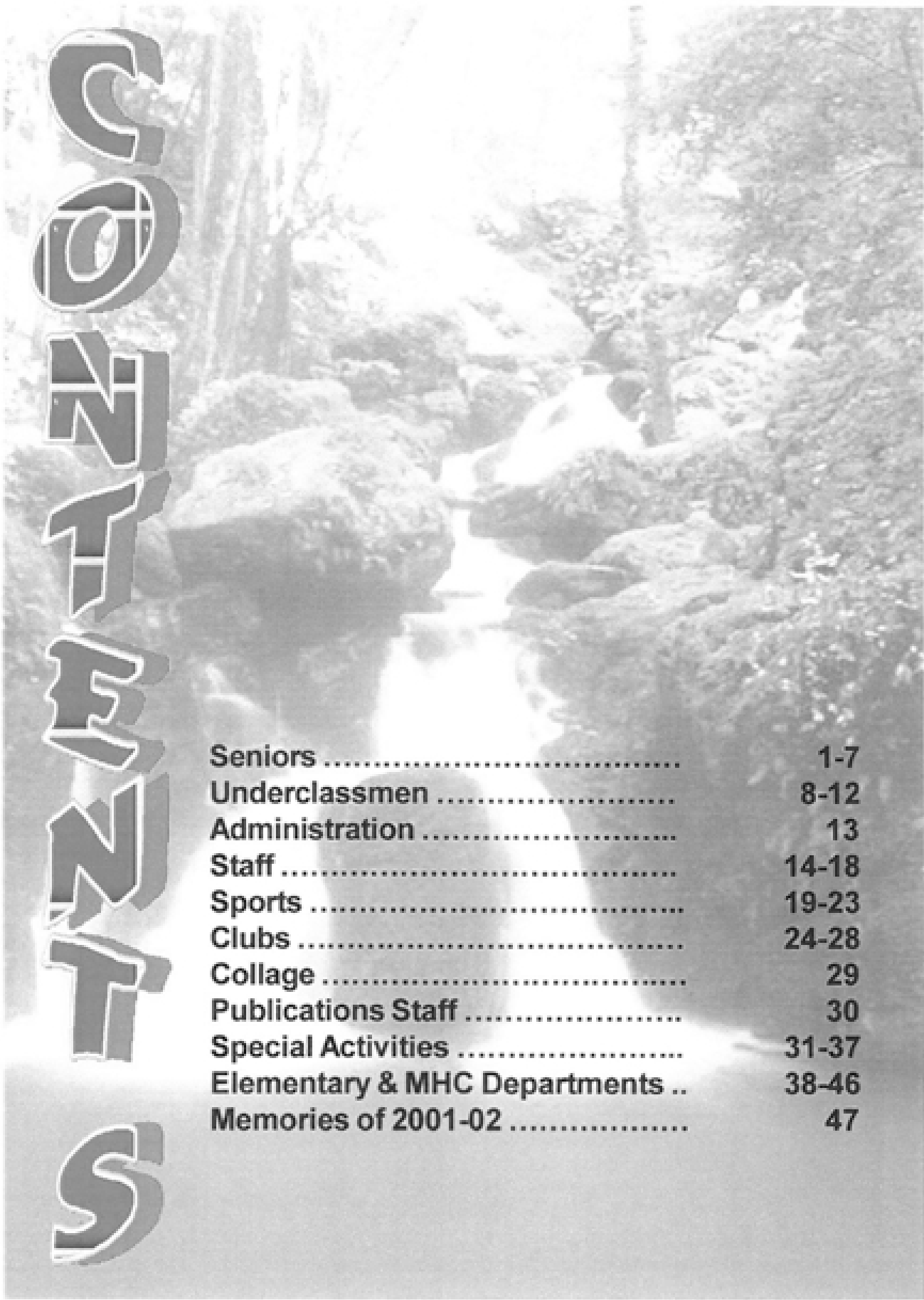


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# Senior

DALTON JAMES CHRISTY

Birthday: September 9, 1980



"DJ"

**B**

est memory of WVSD:  
All the fun in the dorm and school  
and attending the National FFA  
Convention in Louisville, KY

**P**

lans after graduation:  
Attend the West Virginia  
Rehabilitation Center in Institute,  
WV; design and sew clothes



**A**

ctivities: FFA, Jr. NAD, Tapestry,  
FBLA, Golf, HCSSW, Sunshine Club

**F**

avorite classes/subjects: Art

**N**

ickname: DJ



# Class of 2002

# Senior

PATRICK DONOVAN COLLINS

Birthday: November 30, 1983



"Pat"

**B**

est memory of WVSD:  
Being with teachers and  
friends.

**P**

lans after graduation:  
Get a job then go to college.



**A**

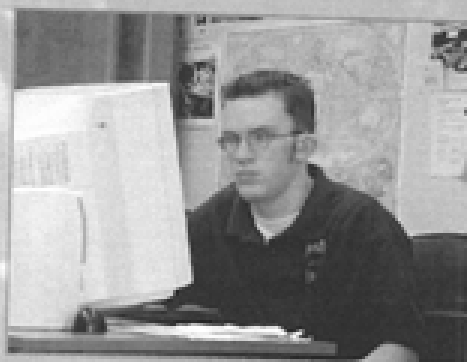
ctivities: Cross Country, Basketball, Jr.Nad,  
Army Club, FBLA, VICA, FFA, Golf Club, and  
Tapestry.

**F**

avorite classes/subjects: Desktop  
Publishing, Biology, Social Studies,  
and Deaf Studies.

**N**

icknames: Pat Rock, Pat,  
Patty Cake

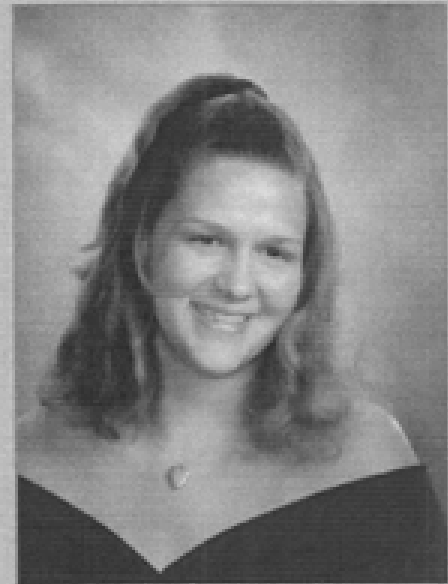


# Class of 2002

# Senior

TABITHA JANE KEPLINGER

Birthday: April 29, 1984



"Tabbi"

**B**est memory of WVSD:  
Playing sports. I always act  
weird in sports!

**P**lans after graduation: Study  
Culinary Arts at Allegany College of  
Maryland to become a chef; get  
married Summer of 2002 :)



**A**ctivities: Jr. Nad-5 years, Vica-5 years,  
FFA-4 years, Volleyball-6 years, Basketball-6  
years, Cheerleading-2 years, Softball-1 year,  
and Tapestry-2 years.

**F**avorite classes/subjects: Family and  
Consumer Sciences, Yearbook, Journalism,  
Photography, English, and Biology.

**N**icknames: Tabbi, Taz, Tabby,  
Tigger, Jellybean, Turtle,  
Pumpkin, and Old woman.



# Class of 2002

# Senior

TRACY LOUISE MARCUM

Birthday: July 24, 1981



"Tracy"

**B**est memory of WVSD:  
Special Olympics; being Homecoming  
Princess; and parties.

**P**lans after graduation:  
Get a job in Huntington.



**A**ctivities: Golf Club, FFA, FBLA, Jr. NAD,  
VICA, HCSSW, and Sunshine Club.

**F**avorite classes/subjects: Science,  
English, Social Studies, and News Class.

**N**icknames: Trace Girl



# Class of 2002

# Senior

SHEENA LOUISE SMITH

Birthday: December 20, 1984



"Shen"

**B**

est memory of WVSD:  
When the seniors planned all the  
events for Spirit Week 2001!

**P**

lans after graduation: Attend The  
Art Institute of Pittsburgh and study  
Photography.



**A**

ctivities: FBLA, and VICA.

**F**

avorite classes/subjects: Family  
and Consumer Sciences, Yearbook, and  
English.



**N**

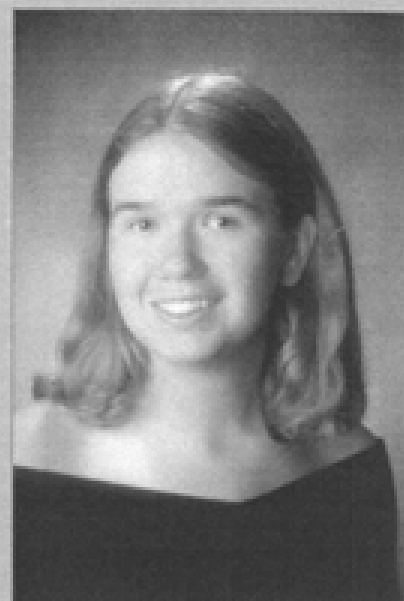
icknames: Shen, Sheena of the  
Jungle, Kitten, and Mouse.

# Class of 2002

# Senior

DANIELLE BETH SURBER

Birthday: January 18, 1984



"Dani"

**B**est memories of WVSD:  
Playing sports; when Liz Baldwin  
fell off the merry-go-round; and  
when Pat, Mindy and I locked  
Mr. Adrian out of his classroom.

**P**lans after graduation: Attend  
Gallaudet University and major in  
Elementary Education.

**A**

ctivities: Jr. NAD (President 3 years),  
VICA, FFA, Basketball (Captain 3  
years), Volleyball (Captain 3 years),  
Softball, Cheerleading, and Tapestry.



**F**

avorite classes/subjects: Yearbook,  
Journalism, and English.

**N**

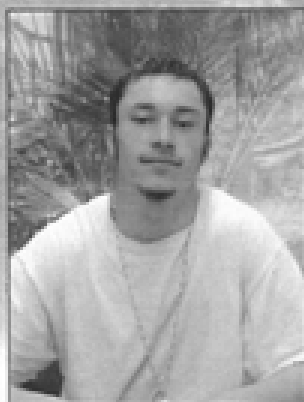
icknames: Dani, E.T., Bubbles,  
Little Monkey, and Karate Frog.



# Class of 2002



# Juniors



Phillip Fraley



Jared Helsel



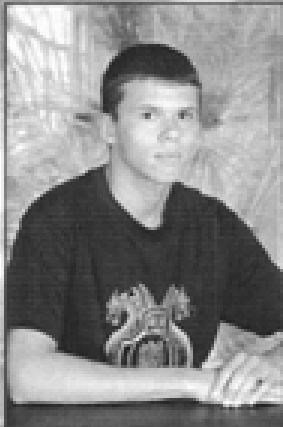
Becky Lett



Eric Peirson

Class of  
2003

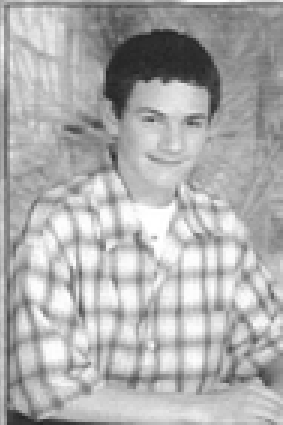
# Sophomores



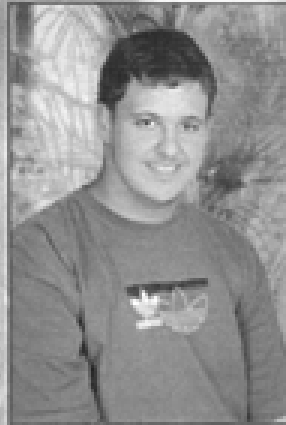
Brian Cross



Jackie Fields



Paul Parent



Keith Richardson

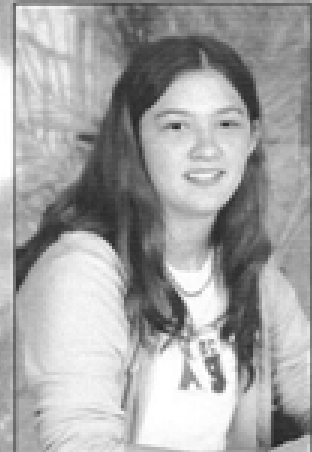


Carolyn Rockow



Holly Romanello

Class of  
2004

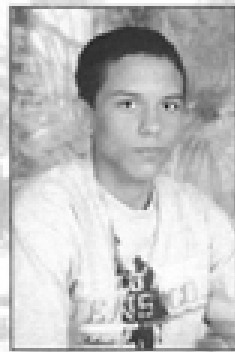


Mindy Spencer

# Freshmen



Joshua Bittner



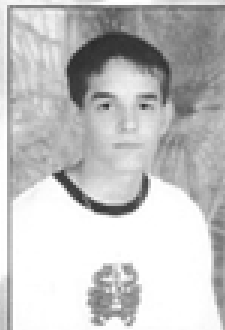
Jeremy Cornell



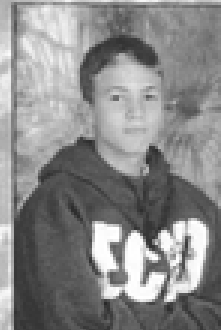
Diana Delfosse



Jonathan Edwards



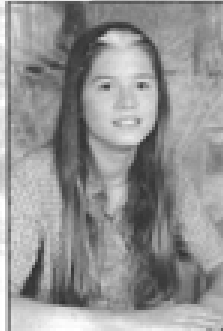
Corey Grace



Bradley Grey



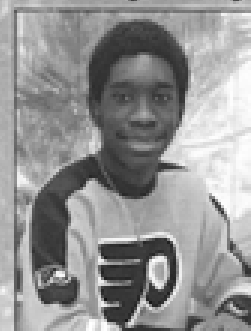
Ashley Lease



Lisa Parent



Hannah Pauley



Quinton Petty



Mark Wheelwright

Class of  
2005



Billy White

# 8th Grade



Tyler Labin



Jessica Morrison

Class of  
2006

*"The road to success is  
always under construction."*

*-Anonymous*

# 7th Grade



Zelina Cooley



Robert Cranfield



Megan Davis



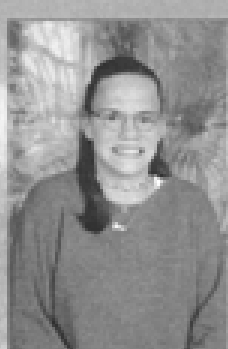
Lindsay Eversole



Joseph Humphress



Ashley Hohman



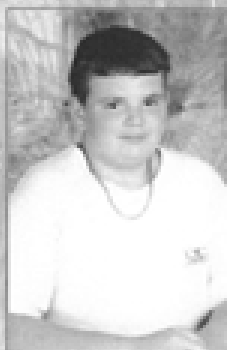
Desiree Parmer



Justin Rhodes



Lucas Turner



Terry Withrow

Class of  
2007



Natasha Wolford

# ADMINISTRATION



Jane McBride  
Superintendent

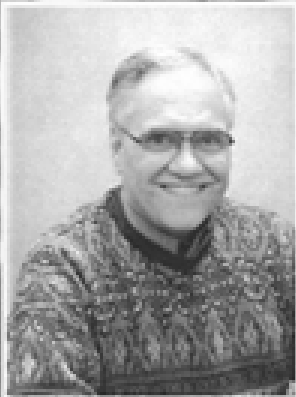


J.D. Corbin  
Principal



Marty Blakely  
Director of Student Living  
and Athletic Director

# Teachers



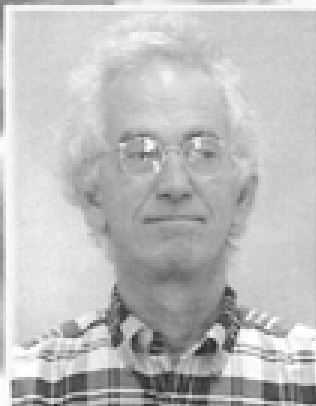
Herb Adrian  
Social Studies



Bonnie Brown  
Business Education



Jan Dodgins  
Graphic Arts



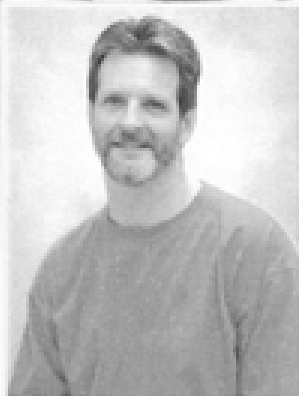
Tom Engleman  
Science



Earl Farris  
Math



Debra Heare  
Language Arts



Bob Haines  
Physical Education  
and Health



Nancy Judd  
Art

# Teachers



Bill Kesler  
Social Studies



Kathy Kuykendall  
Family & Consumer  
Sciences



EA Leatherman  
Agriculture  
Education



Stan Mals  
Math



Pierre Sevigny  
Cabinetmaking and  
Physical Education



Sue Staley  
Language Arts



Mary Teter  
Math

# Supporting Staff



Liz Baldwin  
Teachers' Aide



Joyce Barnes  
Secretary



Shirley Davy  
Library Aide



Gloria High  
Teachers' Aide



Cindy Holsinger  
Speech



Shari Loar  
Mental Health  
Counselor



Nancy Williams  
IEP Coordinator, Outreach

# Supporting Staff



Infirmarium Staff (left to right): Linda Dayton, LPN; Evelyn Reel, LPN; Paula Cookman, RN, Director of Health Services; Sadtha Surattanont, MD; Bonnie Shoemaker, LPN; and Kara Griffith, RN.



Cafeteria Staff (left to right): Janie Keckley, Joyce Racey, Jean Corbin, and Charlene Meadows.



Melanie Ashworth, Audiologist (left) and K.C. Chilcoat, Clinic Secretary.



Tana Lewis  
Custodian



Elaine Negley  
Custodian

# HOUSEPARENTS



Front Row, L to R:  
Becky Nealis,  
Cookie Hott,  
Mike Surber, and  
Bonnie Sipple.  
Back row, L to R:  
James Stine,  
Barry Nealis, and  
Tim Slocum.  
Not pictured:  
Robyn Dawson.



L to R: Velma Woods, Raymond Kline,  
and Night Supervisor Al McKee. Not  
pictured: Lynette Buckley.



Front row, L to R:  
Cheryl Bell and  
Vivian Cochran.  
Back row, L to R:  
Bruce Moreland and  
Eddie Racey.

# 2001 Volleyball Team



Standing, left to right: Bradley Grey, Scorekeeper; Corey Grace, Statistician; Diana Delfosse, Jessica Morrison, Mr. Blakey, Athletic Director; Mrs. Surber, Coach; Ashley Lease, Zelina Cooley, Pamela Thompson. Sitting, left to right: Hannah Pauley, Holly Romanello, Tabitha Keplinger, Mindy Spencer, Danielle Surber, Carolyn Rockow, Lisa Parent. Lion: Justin Gregory.

**ESDAA  
2nd Place  
Champs**

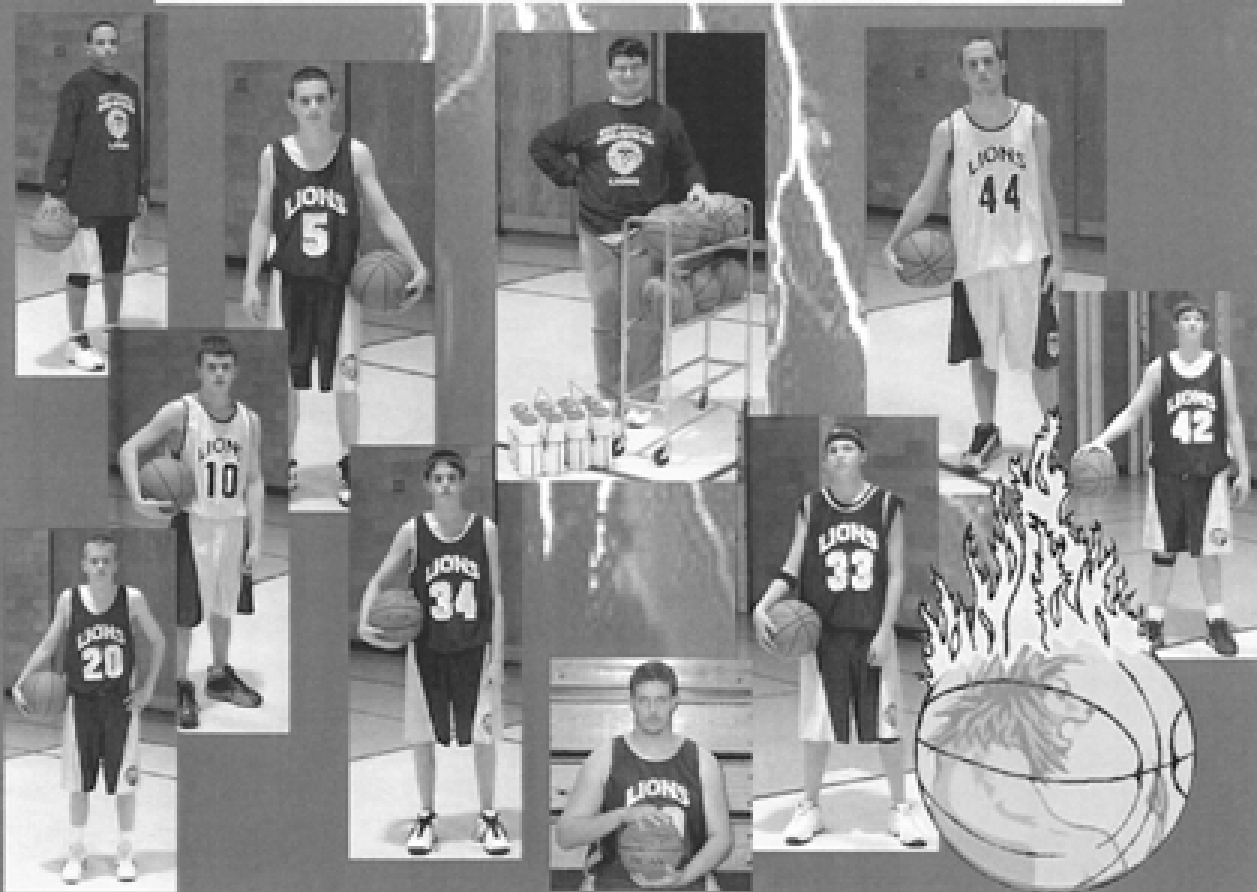


**Farewell Seniors!**

# 2001-2002 Varsity Boys' Basketball Team



Standing, left to right: Patrick Collins, Jeremy Cornell, Bradley Grey, Mr. See, Coach; Corey Grace, Billy White, Keith Richardson. Front: Jonathan Edwards, Brian Cross, and Paul Parent. Not pictured: Eric Peirson and Josh Bittner.



# 2001-2002 Varsity Girls' Basketball Team

ESDA  
2nd  
Place

Standing, left to right: Mr. Surber, Coach; James Rockow, Manager; Lisa Parent, Hannah Pauley, Ashley Lease, Pamela Thompson, Manager; Erin Surber, Scorekeeper; Mrs. Surber, Coach. Kneeling: Mindy Spencer, Holly Romanello, Carolyn Rockow. Front: Tabitha Keplinger and Danielle Surber.



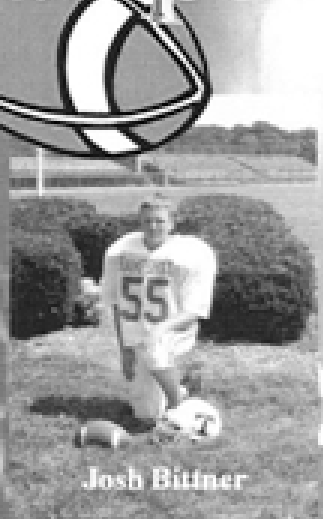
# 2001-2002 Middle School Basketball Team



Left to right: Mr. Moreland, Coach, Justin Flick, Joshua Harpine, Justin Rhodes, Terry Withrow, Zelina Cooley, Ashley Hohman, Lucas Turner, Justin Gregory and Tyler Labin, Manager.



# Hampshire High School



Josh Bittner



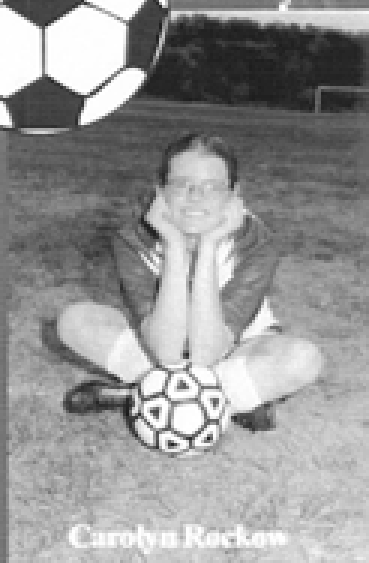
John Jordan



Billy White

Students who want to participate in a sport that WVSD does not offer may try out for Hampshire County's teams.

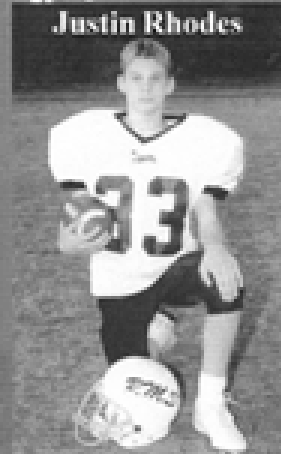
*"I am proud of our athletes who participate in Hampshire County's athletic programs!"*  
— Principal Carbin



Carolyn Rockow

## Romney Middle School

Justin Rhodes



# Pioneers

# FBLA

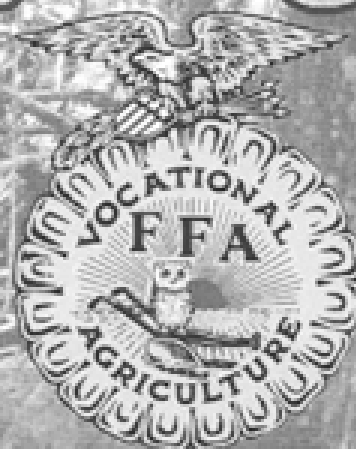
**President:** Sheena Smith  
**Vice-President:** Patrick Collins  
**Secretary:** Keith Richardson  
**Treasurer:** Hannah Pauley  
**Advisers:** Mrs. Brown and Mr. Adrian



**First row, left to right:** Sheena Smith, Ashley Hohman, Patrick Collins, Hannah Pauley.  
**Second row:** Tracy Marcum, Jessica Morrison, Megan Davis, Terry Withrow, D.J. Christy, Becky Lett. **Third row:** Mr. Adrian, Quinton Petty, Ashley Lease, Mrs. Brown, Justin Rhodes. **Not pictured:** Veronica Anderson, Phillip Fraley, Keith Richardson, Lucas Turner, Matt Warner, and Mark Wheelwright.

# FFA

President:	Corey Grace
Vice President:	Keith Richardson
Secretary:	Hannah Pauley
Treasurer:	Josh Bittner
Historian:	Billy White
Sentinel:	D.J. Christy
Advisers:	Mr. Leatherman, Mrs. Kuykendall, Mrs. Dodgins, Mrs. Heare



First row - Tyler Labin. Second row left to right- Holly Romanello, Jessica Morrison, Mindy Spencer, Carolyn Rockow, Hannah Pauley, Zelina Cooley, Matt Warner. Third row- Jonathan Edwards, Justin Rhodes, Jeremy Cornell, Corey Grace, Keith Richardson, Diana Delfosse, D.J. Christy, Kady Fitzsimmons, State FFA Secretary; Billy White, Bradley Grey. Not Pictured- Josh Bittner, Lucas Turner, Terry Withrow, Lisa Parent, Quinton Petty.

# Jr. NAD

President:	Danielle Surber
Vice President:	Mindy Spencer
Secretary:	Keith Richardson
Treasurer:	Tabitha Keplinger
Advisers:	Mr. and Mrs. Surber



First row, left to right- Marybeth Surber, Keith Richardson, Mindy Spencer, Danielle Surber, Tabitha Keplinger, Patrick Collins, Mike Surber. Second row- Robbie Cranfield, D.J. Christy, Mark Wheelwright, Desiree Palmer, Megan Davis, Natasha Wolford, Josh Bittner, Justin Rhodes, Holly Romanello. Third row- Jessica Morrison, Ashley Lease, Lisa Parent, Quinton Petty, Tyler Labin, Brian Cross, Zelina Cooley, Corey Grace. Fourth row- Eric Peirson, Bradley Grey, Phillip Fraley, Jonathan Edwards, Paul Parent, Terry Withrow, Lucas Turner, Billy White. Last row- Jeremy Cornell. Not pictured- Hannah Pauley, Lindsay Eversole.

# VICA

President: Tabitha Keplinger  
 Vice-President: Jeremy Cornell  
 Secretary: Mindy Spencer  
 Treasurer: Holly Romanello  
 Adviser: Mr. Sevigny



First row, left to right- Mindy Spencer, Holly Romanello, Jeremy Cornell, Tabitha Keplinger. Second row- Ashley Lease, Ashley Hohman. Third row- Becky Lett, Mark Wheelwright, Carolyn Rockow, Hannah Pauley, Zelina Cooley, Corey Grace, Megan Davis, Desiree Palmer. Fourth row- Danielle Sueber, Bradley Grey, Jonathan Edwards, Brian Cross, Keith Richardson, Phillip Fraley, Billy White, Justin Rhodes, Pierre Sevigny. Not Pictured- Sheena Smith

# Tapestry



First row, left to right- Lisa Parent, Jessica Morrison. Second row- Mary Teter, Sponsor; Bradley Grey, Tyler Labin, Billy White, Shirley Davy, Sponsor. Third row- Becky Nealis, Sponsor; Ashley Lease, Paul Parent, Hannah Pauley, Patrick Collins, Carolyn Rockow, D.J. Christy, Mindy Spencer, Barry Nealis, Sponsor. Not Pictured- Danielle Surber, Tabitha Keplinger.



# Yearbook Staff

Front: Mrs. Bonnie Brown  
Middle Row (L-R): Eric Peirson,  
Tabitha Keplinger and Patrick Collins  
Back Row: Danielle Surber, Mrs. Jan  
Dodgins, and Sheena Smith



# Lions' Tale Staff



Front Row (L-R): Patrick Collins,  
Danielle Surber, and Eric Peirson  
Middle Row: Tabitha Keplinger, Lisa  
Parent, and Sheena Smith  
Back Row: Mrs. Jan Dodgins and  
Mrs. Debra Heare



# Homecoming

Get Up and Go Day



Opposite Gender Day



Hillbilly Day



HC Activities



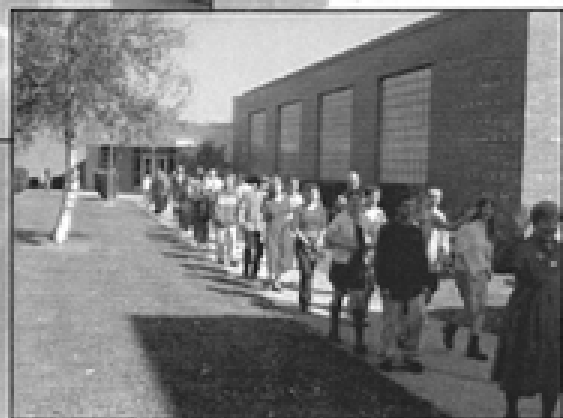
Blue and Gold Day



# Homecoming



Front, left to right: Senior King and Queen, Patrick Collins and Tabitha Keplinger. Back, left to right: Seventh Grade Princess and Prince, Zelina Cooley and Justin Rhodes; Freshman Prince and Princess, Billy White and Diana Delfosse; Junior Prince and Princess, Jared Helsel and Tracy Marcum; Sophomore Princess and Prince, Mindy Spencer and Brian Cross; Eighth Grade Prince and Princess, Tyler Labin and Jessica Morrison.



# Theatre WV



On November 30th, WVSD & B hosted the first of four programs sponsored by the campus Cultural Arts Committee. Theatre WV from Beckley presented "The Lady or the Tiger?" and "Passionella", two musical one act plays geared for middle and high school students. Both performances were "shadow interpreted" by staff members. The cultural events are funded by a 50/50 grant from the WV Commission on the Arts, a Division of Culture and History.



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# Annual Club Banquet



# Parents' Day



*A* favorite tradition at WVSD is Parents' Day, which is always held on the Friday before Spring Break. Teachers and houseparents look forward to meeting students' families and sharing a meal in the school cafeteria. It's a fun day for all!



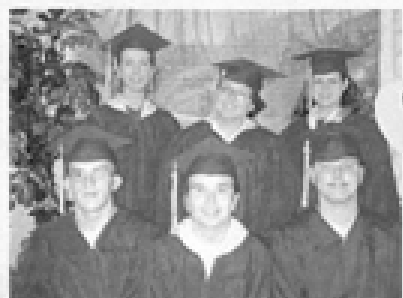
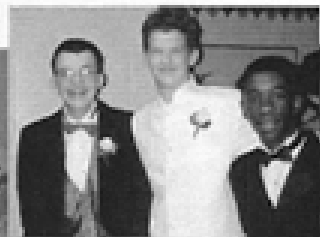
# Awards Banquet



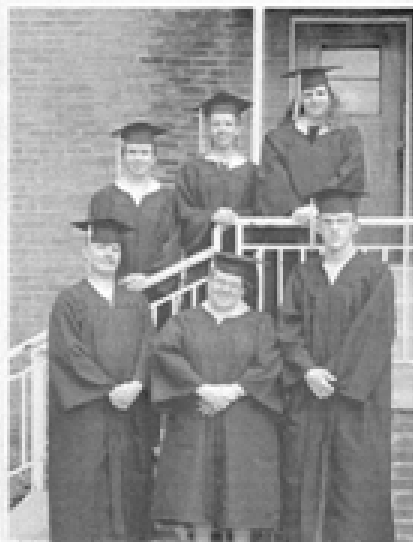
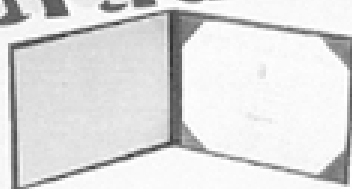
# Special Olympics



With banner, left to right: Natasha Wolford, Mrs. Judd, Lindsay Eversole, Tyler Labin, Robbie Cranfield, Becky Lett, Jared Helsel, Desiree Parmer, Mark Wheelwright, Tracy Marcum, Megan Davis, and Mr. Adrian.



# Graduation



# Elementary



Dr. Patsy K. Shank  
Principal



Michael Coleman  
Coordinator  
Multi-handicapped



Karen McDonald  
Secretary



Maureen Wysopal  
Director of Student Living



Brenda laquinta  
Speech



Custodians  
Danny Miller, Carolyn Kesner  
and Leroy Wolford



Elementary Cooks  
Front Row: Linda George  
and Mary Gano. Back Row:  
Mary Clower and Joyce  
Racey



Carol Mongold  
I.E.P. Coordinator



Debbie Barry  
Speech

# Elementary



## PRESCHOOL 1

(Left to right): R.T. Marlow, Teacher, Janet Kesner with Jesse Snyder, and Kassidy Kimble

## PRESCHOOL 2

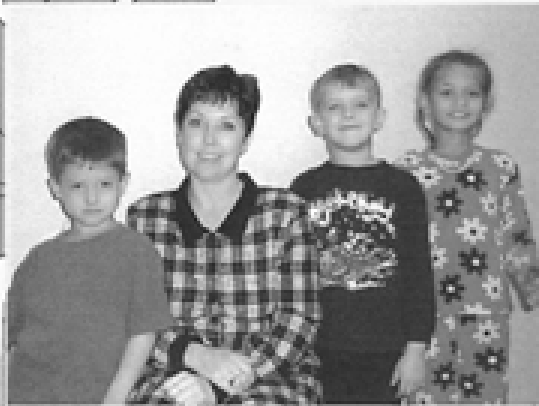
(Left to right): Joseph "Reedy" Hines, Teacher, LaDonna Simpson, and Patrick Epperly



## PRESCHOOL 3

(Left to right): Adam Shindler, Teacher, Debra Helman, and Katrina Kimble

# Elementary



## KINDERGARTEN

(Left to right): Tylar Merriner, Teacher, Tammy Copeland, Samuel Kimble, and Candy Sue Spencer

## KINDERGARTEN

(Left to right): Crystal Dennis, Teacher, Lisa Hixenbaugh with Alexander Barnes, and Jennifer Dennis



## FIRST GRADE

(Left to right): Brandon Eversole, Teacher, Beth Tissue, Melissa Shirk, Standing: Amberlin Hines

# Elementary



## SECOND GRADE

(Left to right): Front row- William Heflin, Warnie "Buddy" Brown, Joshua King, and Derrick Eversole  
Back row- Sub. Teacher Aide, Priscilla Epperly and Teacher, Cara Diehl

## THIRD GRADE

(Left to right): Front row- Jonathan Stokes, Caleb Burleson, Patrick Lee, Jensen Greenstein, Holly Ramos, Chelsea Tallman, Shawna Weatherholt, Chelsea Hill, and Shirley Shirk  
Back row- Teacher Aide, Debbie Watson, Teacher, Mary Ennis, and Teacher, Barbara Attaway



## FOURTH GRADE

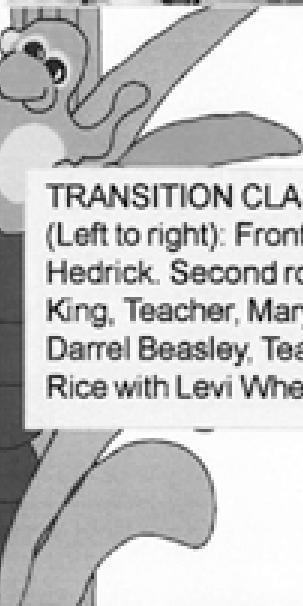
(Left to right): Front row- Ethan Bolyard, Middle row- Brandon Lewis, Teacher, Sue Cosner, Roddy Stickley  
Back row- Mady Aldridge, Samantha Johnson, and Shaniqua Washington

# Elementary



## FIFTH GRADE

(Left to right): Front row- Rachel Hutchinson. Back row- Michael Jarvis, Teacher, Deborah Kline, and Page Miller



## TRANSITION CLASS

(Left to right): Front row- Nina Hedrick. Second row- Mark King, Teacher, Mary Ennis, Darrel Beasley, Teacher, Jenny Rice with Levi Whetzel



## TEACHER AIDES

(Left to right): Debbie Watson, Christy Sevigny, Lucy Staggs and Terri Phillips



# Elementary



## ART CLASS

(Left to right): Rachel Hutchinson, Art Teacher, Mary Beth Surber, Michael Jarvis. Standing- Page Miller

## FIFTH GRADE

(Left to right): Front row- Matthew Hart. Back row- Tiffany Friend, Teacher, Claudia Mals, and Sarah Abernathy



## SIXTH GRADE

(Left to right): Justin Gregory, Teacher, Ann Behrens, Joshua Harpine. Back row- Pamela Thompson

# Multi-handicapped



Front, L to R: Shanon Payne, Mandy Baber. Back, L to R: Teacher, Jan Martin, Adam Godden, and Teacher Aide, Sharon Combs

L to R: Cassie Harding, Teacher, Molly Racic, Josh Barton, Levi Hypes, Emi Lillard, Teacher Aide, Mary Pappas, and Corey Wade



L to R: D.J. Burns, Teacher, Stella Walker, Justin Drennen, Teacher Aide, Teresa Kinnie and Billy Connolly

# Multi-handicapped



L to R: Benjamin Robertson, Teacher, Alice Rice, Zach Tanner, Teacher Aide, Mary Ann Corbin, and Michael Keiffer

L to R: Anthony Heater, Teacher, Jim Wysopal, Tristin Fox, Matthew Fox, Teacher Aide, Nannie Ansel, and Megan Fox



# Elementary



**Elementary Deaf Day Staff**  
Left to right: Ellen Smith, Lora Sue Swisher, Helen Turner, Maxine Foor, Karen Dean, Arbutus Largent, and Susie Fields



**Elementary Deaf Night Staff**  
Left to right: Pam See, Stacey Nelson, P.A. Woodall, and Helen Sirk



**Deaf-Blind Day Staff**  
Front, L to R: Pat Webb, Teresa Kinnie, Donna Shockey, Esther Dawson, and Carol Berry. Back, L to R: Henrietta Fields, Frances Coleman, James Stein, Diana Parker, Chris Saville, Mary Buckley, and Jackie Adams



**Deaf-Blind Night Staff**  
Left to right: 1st Row: Stacey Nelson, Carolyn Poling, Linda Mullins. 2nd Row: Liz Arnold and Don Skinner

World Trade Center

ENRON

Times-News

AMERICA

Pentagon "Partly"  
Destroyed

Collapse

"Enduring Freedom"  
Speech

Barry Bonds

U.S. ARMY

SUVs

Gary Condit

Michael Jordan

Record Breaking Comeback!

Aaliyah Dies

Anthrax Threat

Plane Crash

Scandal!

Terrorist

Diamondbacks Win

World Series

Ariel Sharon  
Hill's Police

Super Bowl

Tribute  
to a Legend

Jennifer Lopez Got  
Hunted!

Osama bin Laden

XXXVI  
FIRESTONE  
TIRES

War In Afghanistan

32%  
off

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