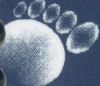


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From Blueprints to Footprints

Concordia Jr./Sr. High School
15656 Fort St.
Omaha, NE 68116

"From Blueprints to Footprints"

A theme inspired by the dream to open a Lutheran high school in Omaha.

Concordia physically started out as a blueprint – a design from an architect's conception. But it was the Great Architect who made the vision a reality.

There have been many firsts on these well-planned floors: first dance, first homecoming, first volleyball practice, first basketball game, and now we celebrate another first, the first class to graduate.

Those on these pages have left footprints, and faithprints, at Concordia, in the halls and in our hearts. Prints that will continue to shape the character of our school and each other.

And although the structure changes, the theme evolves. New dreams are inspired, and new plans emerge. From Blueprints to Footprints continues as God leads us on to new challenges and new places.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11

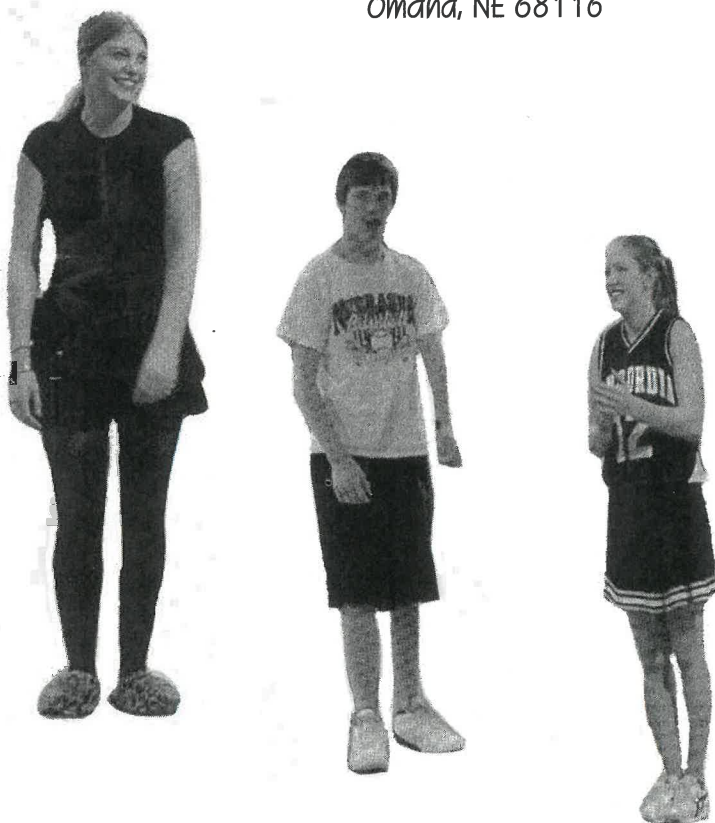


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When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear.

But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid."

"Lord if it is you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water."

Jesus said "Come."

Then Peter got out of the boat, walked on the water and came towards Jesus.

Matthew 14:26-29

The theme for the 2004-2005 school year at Concordia Jr./Sr. High School is "Have courage... get out of the boat." This theme comes from the story in Matthew about Jesus walking on the water and Peter having the courage to get out of the boat. It is our goal to encourage and enable all of you to have the courage to get out of the boat. We want you to have such a love and relationship with the Lord that it is plain for everyone to see.

It is more important than ever for us, as Christians, to have courage and confidence to be ambassadors for Christ. It is our mission to equip you with the tools for Godly excellence in everything you do. We feel that in order to do this we need to first equip you with the courage to step out of your comfort zone to a place where Jesus is waiting for you, to a place where He will protect you and show you the way to Him. God is there for us, He asks us to "get out of the boat" and come to Him.

It is my honor and privilege to be the person that God has chosen to lead Concordia at this time. He has blessed this ministry in so many ways and it has come so far that only a miracle could explain the scope of what He has done here. Concordia is that miracle. May we be ever mindful of the power Satan has and continue to walk in the ways of the Lord.

"Blessed are all who take refuge in Him." Psalm 12:2b

In Christ,

Matt Korte



Laying A Foundation



Deanna Barmore



Caroline Benson



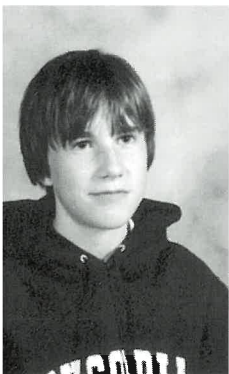
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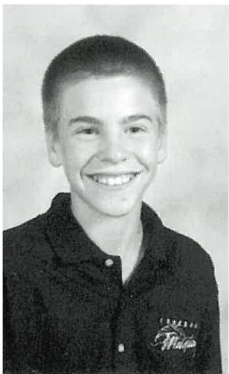
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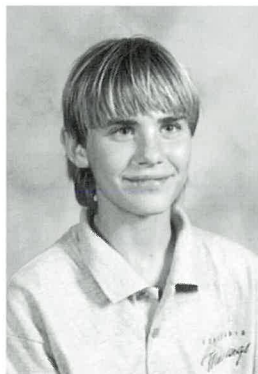
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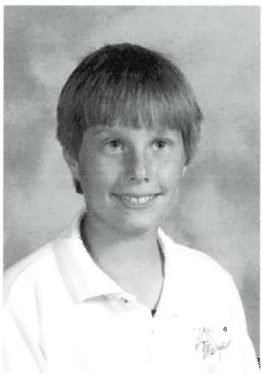
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7th Grad



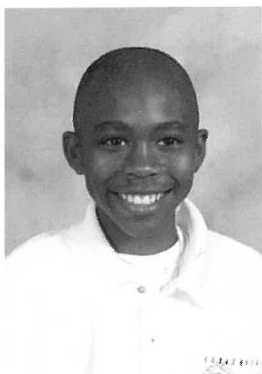
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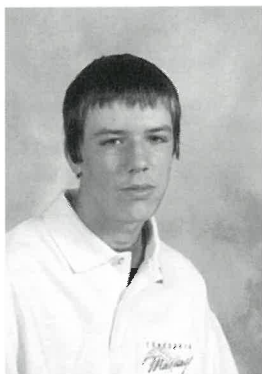
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Audrey Holmes



Brittney Karstens



Daniel Ray



Mark-Andrew Reynolds



Brandon Riggle



Anna Wilkins



Hanah Zehnder



Kirill Zehnder

What have you liked best about 7th grade?

"I like the friendly environment that Concordia gives you. It makes you want to come to school everyday."
-Mark Reynolds

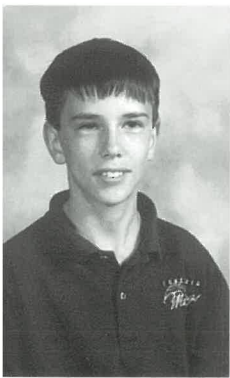
"Making new friends, and gaining more responsibility."
-McKenzie Deckard

"My great friends and the fact that you can feel God's love all around."
-Kirsten Gedwill

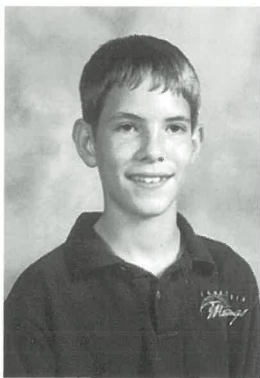
"The new friends and new teachers, with new classes and new challenges, has been fun"
-Ryan Schoch

"Making new friends and getting to hang out with my sister more. Also learning the responsibility of getting my work done, and the dances they have at school."
-Deanna Barmore

"Making new friends and finding new talents."
-Emma Bray



Justin Bauer



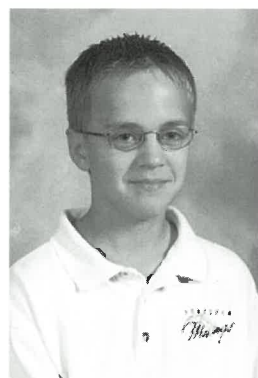
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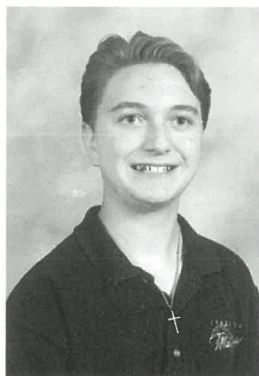
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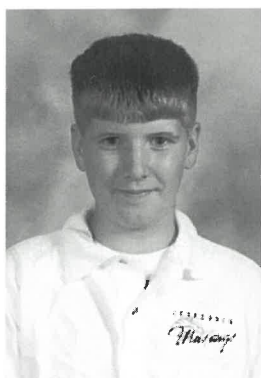


Timothy Steele



Rachelle Thleman

8th Grad



Jared Cornell



Kristin Gaffney



Martin Gilles



Taylor O'Connell



Jamle O'Art



Andrew Pryor



Katelyn Tschida



Karls Waller



Zachary Willard

What are you looking forward to in high school?

"Being out of Jr. High. Fun, fun, fun."

-Tim Steele

"I am looking forward to new people and being able to participate in more extracurricular activities."

-Rachel Lusvardi

"I am looking forward to sports and meeting a lot more people."

-Leslie Newburn

"I'm looking forward to finally being able to participate in school activities. For example, pep rallies."

-Katelyn Tschida

"Even though being a freshman won't be as great as being a senior...I'm still looking forward to more power and responsibility."

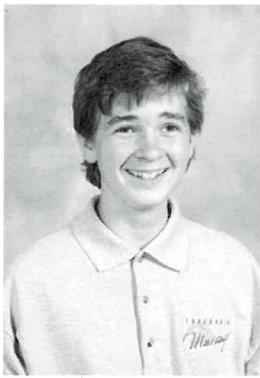
-Tim Rehbein

"I'm looking forward to learning new things...and more about God...selecting something for Interim will be more exciting because high schoolers always get the fun Interim classes."

-Brehnan Sieling



Lacy Andersen



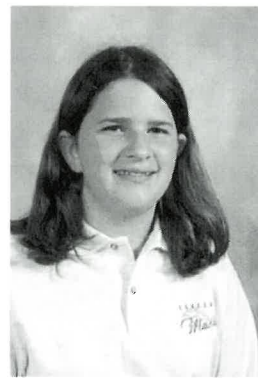
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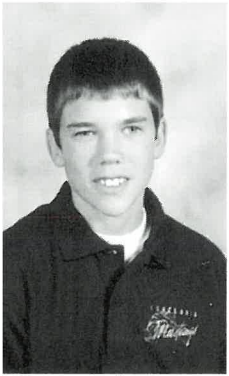
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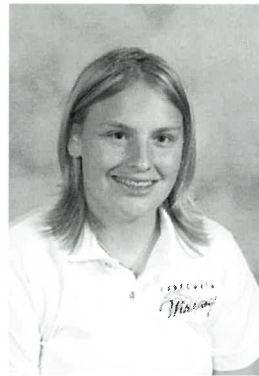
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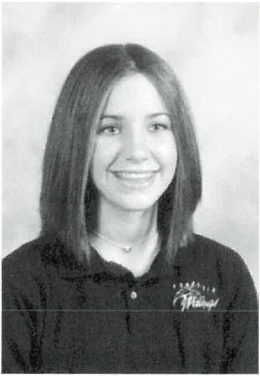
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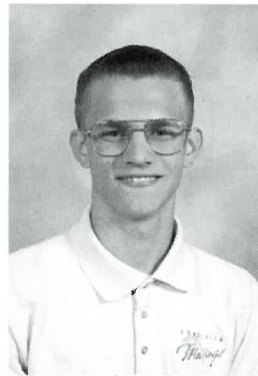
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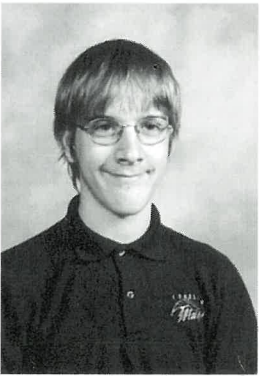
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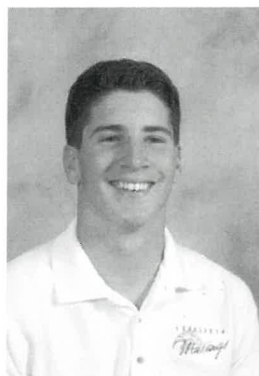
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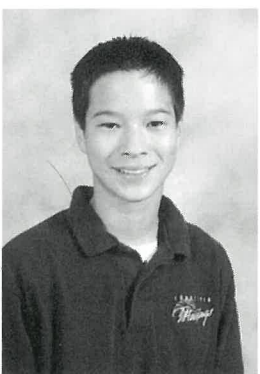
Josiah Shanks



Amanda Sledge



David Stern



Andrew Zehnder



Elena Zehnder

What is your advice to upcoming freshmen?

"Don't be nervous! High school is lots of fun, but don't forget to do your homework!"

-Lyndsie LaFleur

"Take notes like crazy!"

-Andrew Graham

"Stay on top of your studies and stay focused on the Word. Have courage to do what you feel led by God to do."

-Lacy Andersen

"Study hard, if you play sports, make sure you get a study hall, and don't chew gum."

-Samantha Bodkin

"The homework fairy doesn't do your homework when you sleep anymore. So do your homework."

-Savannah Thompson

"I would say just be laid back and don't let all the stupid stuff with your friends get to you."

-Racquel Williams

"Just be yourself."

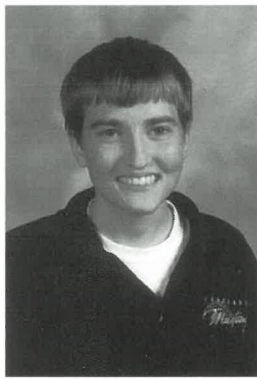
-Elena Zehnder



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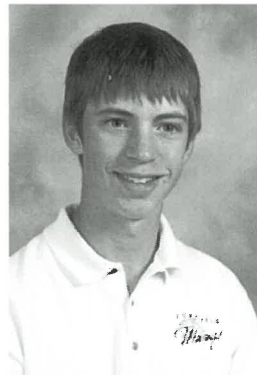
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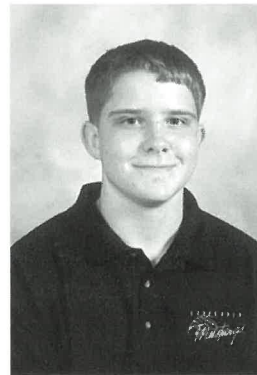
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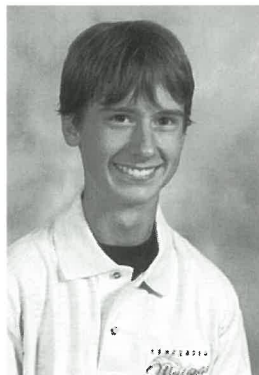
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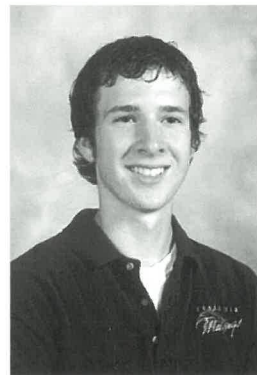
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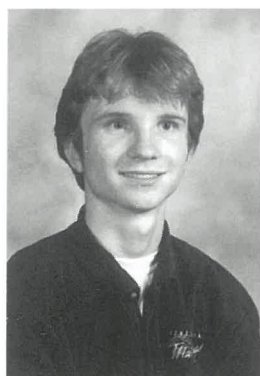


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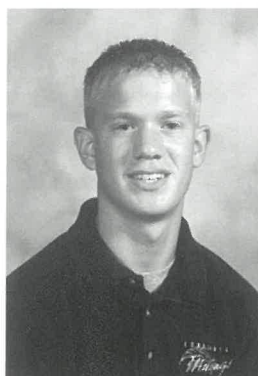
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Harris Gerner



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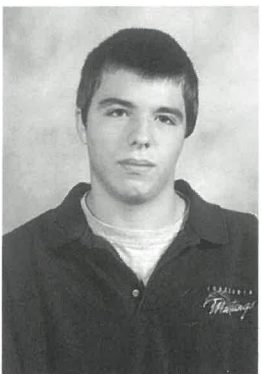
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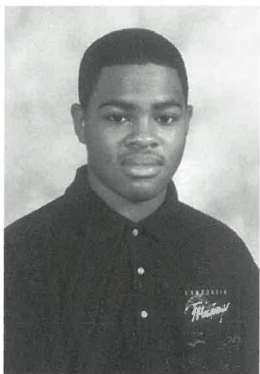
Julia Manley



Benjamin McGill



David Ray



Cornelius Reed



Laura Riggert



Abbey Wolfert



Garrett Womack

What does your favorite color express about you?

"My favorite color is green because it's the color of the trees in the wood that I run in and out of when I go paintballing."

-Brent Cemer

"Pink, because it shows that I am vibrant and enthusiastic about life, it makes me smile."

-Denise Barmore

"My favorite color is orange and it's the color of my favorite team, the Tennessee Volunteers, and I'm from Tennessee."

-Harris Gerner

"That's personal information. No comment."

-Quinn Eaton

"My favorite color is Platinum because that's the color of my bling bling that's flashin' on my neck and my wrist dawg."

-Ben Lavitt

"Orange because it is bright and unique"

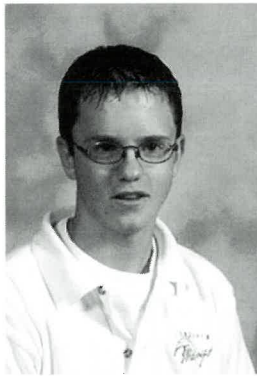
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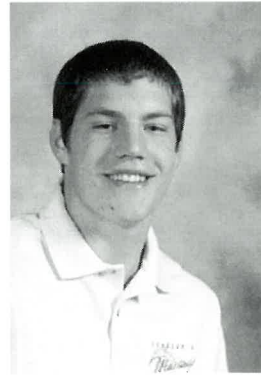
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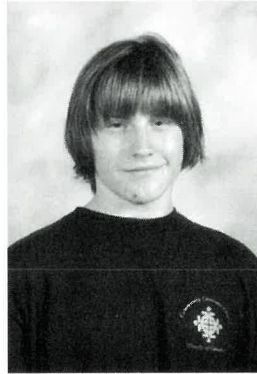
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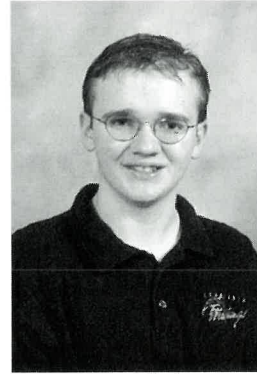
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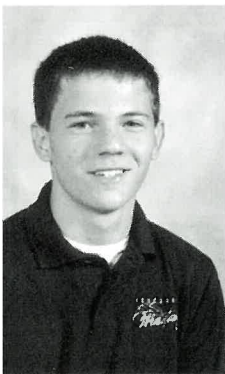
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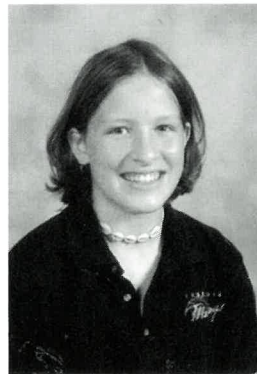
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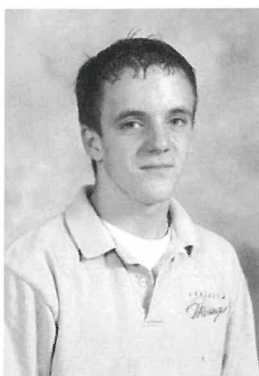
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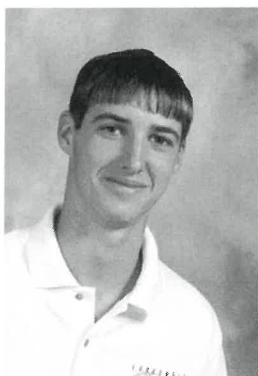
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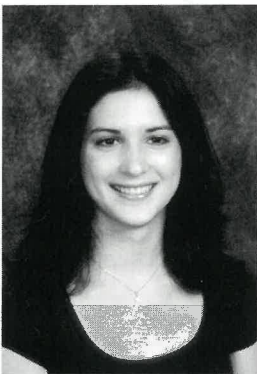
Stephanie Knudson



Erin Murray



Caitlin Pfeiffer



Amanda Reynolds

What was the funniest thing that happened this year?

"When Mr. Meggers started dancing to show us that polos can stay tucked in."
-Rachel Wood

"When Charista tried to double-click her heels and fell flat on her face."
-Emily Ellison

"When Rachel, while doing her math test, hit the desk and proclaimed that she 'can't factor!'"
-Brianna Karstens

"When we were reading a story in Mrs. Muldoon's English class and Jon Miller got up at the front of the room and danced for everyone."
-Chelsie Lange

"In Religion class, Mrs. Reynolds asked Chelsie 'if you had to arrange your funeral what will you do?' She said she wanted a parade."
-Hung Drake

"When Karl was dancing to Noah's rap CD in our English class."
-Lauren Koch



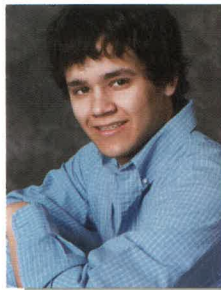
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 Movie - *Blodome*



Charles Buckman
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 Movie - *Freaky Friday*



Jenny DiGiorgio
 Favorites:
 Verse - Proverbs 17:17
 Color - Pink
 Movie - *Sweet Home Alabama*



Jeremy Genier
 Favorites:
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 Color - Lavender
 Movie - *Willy Wonka*



Anthony Kuchta
 Favorites:
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 Color - Blue
 Movie - *Fantasia*



Alayna Likes
 Favorites:
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 Color - Red
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David Manley
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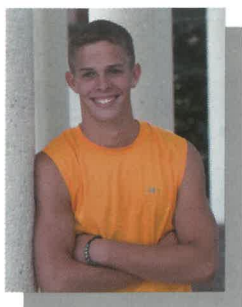
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 Movie - *Hair*



Travis Gleason

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Moriah Jones

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Kelly Kernen

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David Klepe

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Tina Polinko

Favorites:
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Movie - *Pirates of the Caribbean*



Molly Polk

Favorites:
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Movie - *Hidalgo*



Ashley Schoch

Favorites:
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Movie - *The Ring*



Benjamin Shoemaker

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2005 Seniors



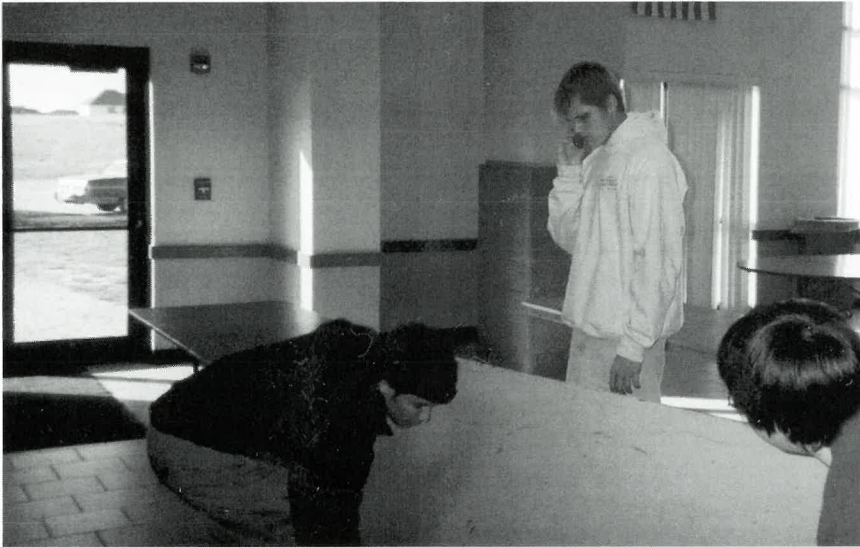
Senior Snapshots



Above: David Klepe, Molly Polk, Sarah Wilson, and David Manley mess around in the kitchen.

Right: The seniors gather around the table for a group picture.

Below: Tony Kuchta and Jeremy Genier contemplate which way is up.

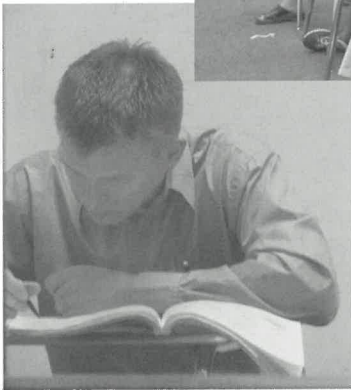
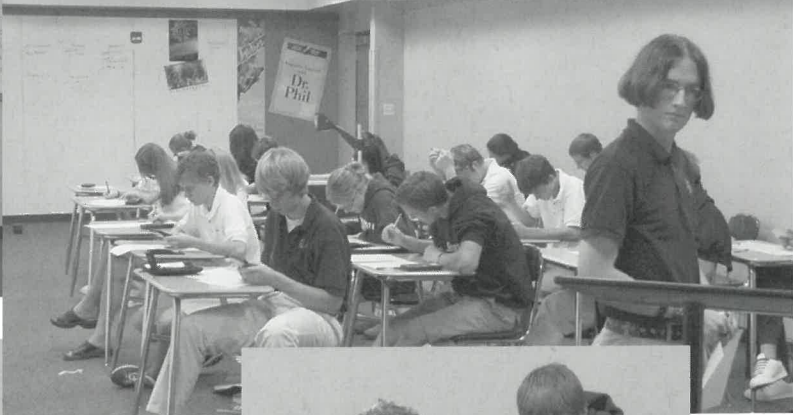
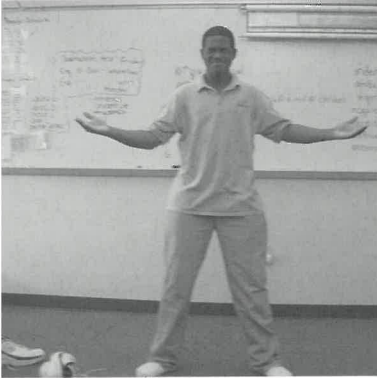


Left: Jenny DiGiorgio puts cornrows in Jeremy Genier's hair on a slow day in class as Jessy Swett supervises.



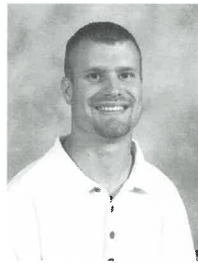
Right: Ben Shoemaker, David Manley, and Travis Gleason decked out in black for Spirit Week were part of this year's homecoming court.





The Path to
Excellence

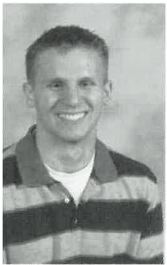
The people who make it all happen...



Dan Acers
Maintenance Director

Mike Ellis
Science

Lori Gedwillo
Technology
7/8 Math



Bill Meggers
Math
Science

Shelli Muldoon
English
Journalism

Chris Olsen
Music



Marty Senecchal
Social Studies/History

Stephen Zehnder
Athletic Director
7/8 Exploratory
Religion
Physical Education

Mrs. Maline has a little
chuckle. "That will be fifty
cents please."





Becky Gudmundson
7/8 English
7/8 Social Studies



Matt Korte
Principal
Math



Karen Malline
Administrative
Assistant



Melinda Randall
Foreign Languages



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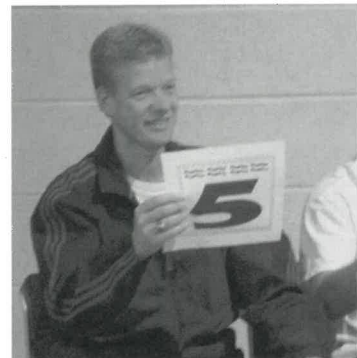


Darla Rosendañl
Guidance
Art
Religion



Enjoying Concordia's Spring
Fling, Miss Rosendañl and
Mrs. Gedwillo eagerly wait
the next tune.

Mr. Senecchal announces
the winner of Mr. Mustang
(secretly wishing for the
title himself.)



Mr. Zehnder ranks the slam
dunk contest at midnight
madness, or maybe it's the
cafeteria food?

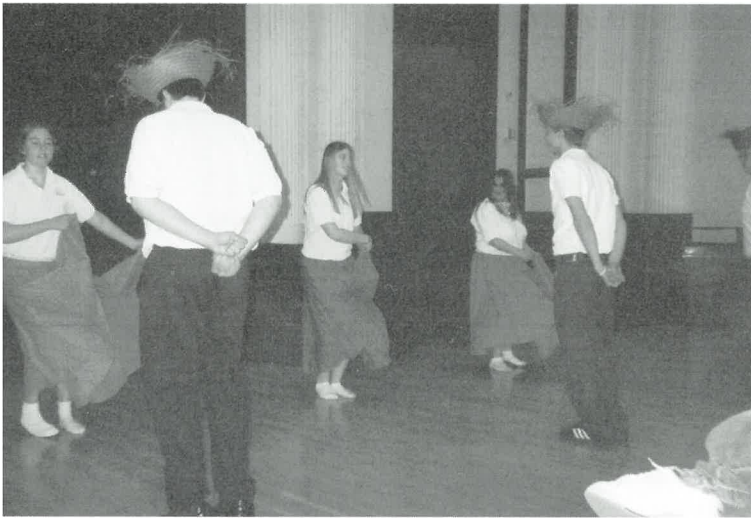
UNL, here we come!

Every year Mrs. Randall takes her Spanish II, III, and IV classes to the UNL campus for the annual foreign language fair. The students compete in a variety of different competitions, all involving the Spanish language and culture.

Competitions consist of drama, poetry, music, and art. The Spanish IV class (left: Dana Armbrust, Jenny DiGiorgio, Michelle Penner, Bear - Tony Kuchta, Becky Wilschusen, Kyle O'Connell, Sarah Wilson, and Tina Polinko) took home a blue ribbon (a superior rating - the best you can get) in the drama competition. They performed "El Principe Oso." Drama is the toughest competition so congrats to Spanish IV.

The Spanish III class took home a blue ribbon as well as a red ribbon in music, and submitted a poster by Jeremy Genler and Karl Adolf that received second in the state. There were also a number of dances entered. Elizabeth Mueller received a superior rating for her poetry performed.

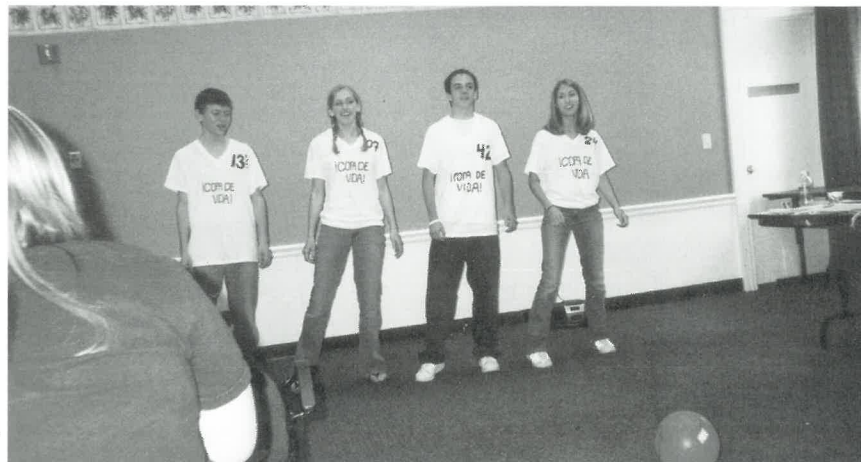
Great job to all who participated.



Top Left: Spanish II students competed in the dance category for "The Mexican Hat" folk dance.



Top Right: Brannan Karstens, part of the Spanish III class, took home a blue ribbon and received the highest award in her category, earning her the honor of first in state.



Bottom Right: "La Copa de Vida", originally performed by Ricky Martin, was redone by the Spanish III class: Josh Kanoy, Caitlin Pfeiffer, Emerson Cole, and Charista Zehnder.

Shiley Schoch, sisters Erin Polinko and Tina Polinko, Elizabeth Mueller, Rachel Wood, and Stephanie Bardon display their various awards earned, including scholarships, academic letters, and Mustang medals.



Honors Banquet

This year's Honors Banquet was held on Thursday, May 12. Amos Gray spoke to those present at the banquet and gave a very encouraging speech on the five C's of leadership, qualities that every leader should possess: courage, charity, coachability, competency, and character.

The students that attended received awards for their hard work and achievement displayed throughout the school year.

Awards ranged from academic letters, music, and scholarships. It was a special evening for parents and teachers to recognize and honor the many talents found in Concordia students.



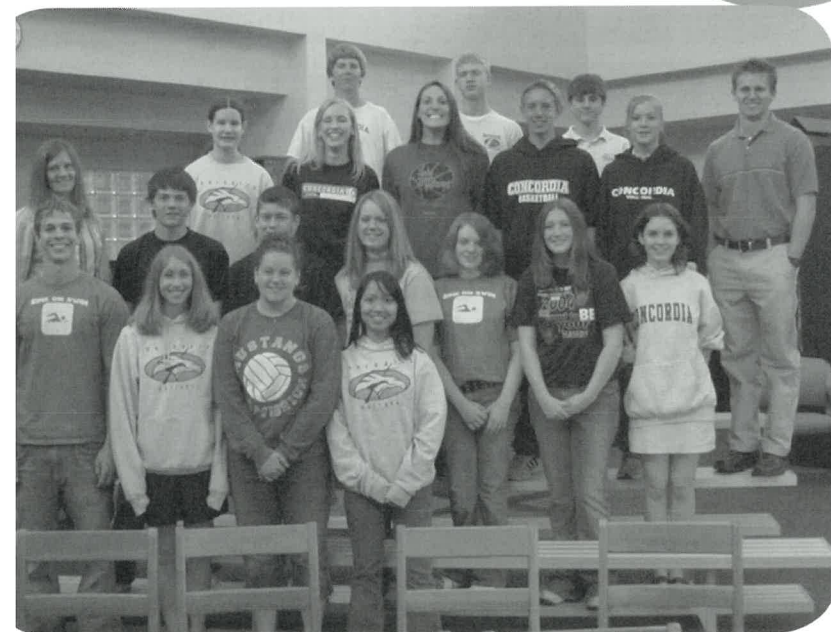
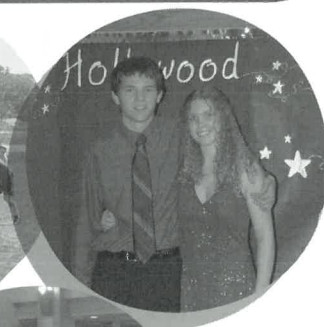
National Honor Society

National Honor Society, from left to right: Ashley Schoch, Josh Kanoy (secretary), Emily Ellison, Caitlin Pfeiffer, Charista Zehnder, Stephanie Bardon, Hung Drake (treasurer), Rachel Wood, Merson Cole, Karl Adolf (vice-president), Tina Polinko (president).



A sampling of events sponsored by these groups:

- Pumpkin Olympics
- Student/Staff Football Game
- Hollywood Homecoming
- Pep Rallies
- Service Projects



High School Student Council

Bottom, 1st Row: Travis Gleason (treasurer), Charista Zehnder (president), Emily Ellison (vice-president), Hung Drake (secretary).

2nd Row: Mrs. Randall, Evan Saline, Josh Kanoy, Abbey Wolfert, Sarah Kanoy, Tina Polinko, Molly Polk.

3rd Row: Stephanie Bardon, Caitlin Pfeiffer, Jenny DiGiorgio, Scott Muldoon, Lindsey Warneke, Mr. Meggers.

4th Row: Tony Gedwillo, Caleb Gronewold, Ben McGill.

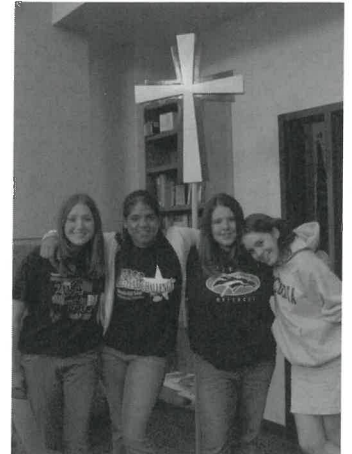
Class Officers

Below, senior officers, from left: Vice-president Tina Polinko, President Becky Wilshusen, Secretary Molly Polk, and Treasurer Sarah Wilson.

Top left, Junior officers: Vice-president Evan Saline, Treasurer Stephanie Bardon, President Karl Adolf, and Secretary Lauren Koch.

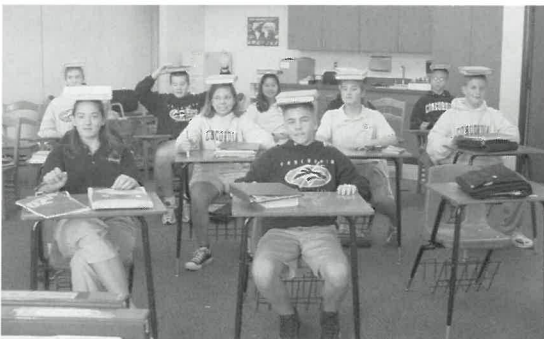
Middle left, sophomore officers: Treasurer Neal Holmes, President Tony Gedwillo, Vice-president Caleb Gronewold, and Secretary Cory Reed.

Bottom left, freshmen officers: Secretary Lindsey Warneke, Vice-president Scott Muldoon, President Andrew Zehnder, and Treasurer David Hill.



Concordia Junior High Student Council

Junior High Student Council members worked for their classmates arranging many activities during the school year, including dances in October, December, February and May, food drives, fun nights, bake sales, and a sponsorship for the WOLSA golf outing. This extra fun provided the "balance" needed.



Bottom Row: Katelyn Tschida, Audrey Holmes, Rachel Lusvardi, Hannah Zehnder, Kirsten Gedwillo. Top Row: Mrs. Gedwillo, Tim Steele, Nick Mulder, Andrew Pryor, Ryan Schoch, Luke Maddox.

Junior & Senior High Band

In Junior and senior high bands improved greatly over last year. With the help of the new music director, Mr. Olsen, the program was very successful.

The band performed at both a winter and a spring concert for the school. They also traveled to Oakland-Craig a district music competition where they scored very well.



Above: Zachary Willard, Brehan Selling, Conner White, Jacob Carlson, Luke Maddox, Nick Mulder, Mark Andrew Reynolds, Aaron Cole, Martin Giles, Michael Hilding, Joel Becker, Tim Reibeln, Tim Steele, Emma Davies, and Tiffany Steinké, make up the Junior High band. Molly Polk (front, right) was the teacher's assistant for the Junior High band this year.



Mr. Olsen welcomes the audience as he prepares to direct his music students during the winter band performance.



Above: Ben Shoemaker, David Manley, Andy Kohitz, Charista Zehnder, Matt Willard, Josh Kanoy, Rachel Wood, Caleb Gronewold, Tony Gedwillo, David Hill, Emerson Cole, Scott Muldoon, Josiah Shank, Tina Polinko, Stephanie Bardon, Molly Polk, Jessica Hoffman, Sarah Kanoy, and Caitlin Pfeiffer make up the senior high band.



Mark Andrew Reynolds plays his tuba for Junior High band performance.

Right: David Hill, Brehan Selling, Caleb Gronewold, Tim Reibeln, and Josh Kanoy play their part in the all-school band portion of the performance.



Below the all-school choir concentrates as they share their singing talent.



Junior and Senior High Choirs

Many talented WOLSA staff members join the Concordia choirs for a performance finale.



The Junior and senior high choirs were also directed by Mr. Olsen.

They performed at many of the same events as the band, in addition to their choir competition schedule.



Samantha, Erin, and Morlan follow Mr. Olsen's lead as they sing for an attentive audience.



Above: Samantha Bodkin, Molly Polk, Jessica Hoffman, Erin Polinko, Julia Manley, Tina Polinko, Laura Riggert, Morlan Jones, David Manley, and Matt Willard, sing their knowledge of pirates. Not pictured, Jeff Bachman and David Waller.

Junior high choir gets a chance to perform at the spring concert. At right: Tiffany Steinke, Emma Bray, Mark Andrew Reynolds, Rachelle Thielemann, Hannah Zehnder, Molly Muldoon, and Karl Waller were the Junior high choir members this year.

Throughout the year students had opportunities to increase their appreciation of music through vocal practice and exposure to music classics. These included *Phantom of the Opera* and *The Newsies*.



You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown



Charlie Brown and Sally get themselves pumped up for the upcoming baseball game.

Lucy sings a ballad about Schroeder's excellent piano skills. Although he's too busy to notice.



Understudies Katelyn Tschida and Zach Willard sing during one of the many group ensembles.

This year's musical *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* was a big hit with both the actors and the audience. Students enjoyed preparing for the show by spending time on weeknights practicing. For most of the actors, it was their first musical. It was a great opportunity to get a taste for theater. While it was stressful at times, it was a lot of fun for everyone and a great way to show off some of the talents God has given the students at Concordia.

The orchestra for this year's musical worked as hard as the cast did to get down all of the music for the play. Not only did they accompany the songs that the cast sang, but they also provided background music throughout the entire musical as well as during scene changes.



The cast gathers around for a group picture after the final production.

Cast:

Charlie Brown	Josh Kanoy
	Zach Willard
Lucy Van Pelt	Molly Polk
	Katelyn Tschida
Snoopy	David Manley
	David Waller
Sally Brown	Denise Barmore
	Karis Waller
Linus Van Pelt	Matt Willard
	Tim Steele
Schroeder	Jeff Bachman
	Cory Reed
Stage Director	Joe Manley
Music Director	Chris Olsen



Orchestra: Emerson Cole, Caleb Gronewold, Kara Maddox, Caitlin Pfeiffer, Charista Zehnder, Travis Gleason, Sarah Kanoy, RuthAnn Manley, Karen Reynolds, and Chris Olsen directing.



As Charlie Brown walks in, he watches Snoopy sing a ballad on supertime.

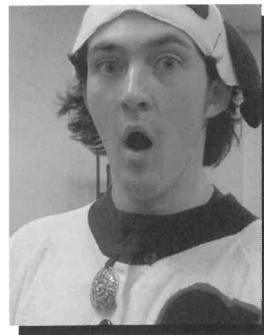
Schroeder figures out that Sally is mad at the whole world because she is mad at jump ropes!



"I try to make it a habit to not dance with guys in public, but for a musical, I'll make an exception."



"I enjoyed playing Schroeder because he played the piano and I'm a very musical person."



"I enjoyed working with a great group of people for the musical and my costume felt like a towel, I just wanted you all to know that."

Interim Opportunities

This year Concordia held its second annual Interim. What exactly is Interim?

Interim is a three-day period when students can choose to take one or two classes outside of their normal studies. During Interim students experience unique activities and challenges not a part of their normal classes.

The classes offered were; Cinematography, Humane Society, Extreme Competition Sports, Film Festival, Sign Language, Beading/Jewelry Making, Pottery, Soccer your Socks Off, City Slickers II (or horse back riding and three days on a ranch), Sound Engineering, Card Games Galore, Around the World in Three Days (cooking), Chi Town (a trip to Chicago), Laser Tag,

Scrapbooking, On the Ropes, All About Birds, Make a Quilt, Adventures in Photography, and Car Audio and Alarm.

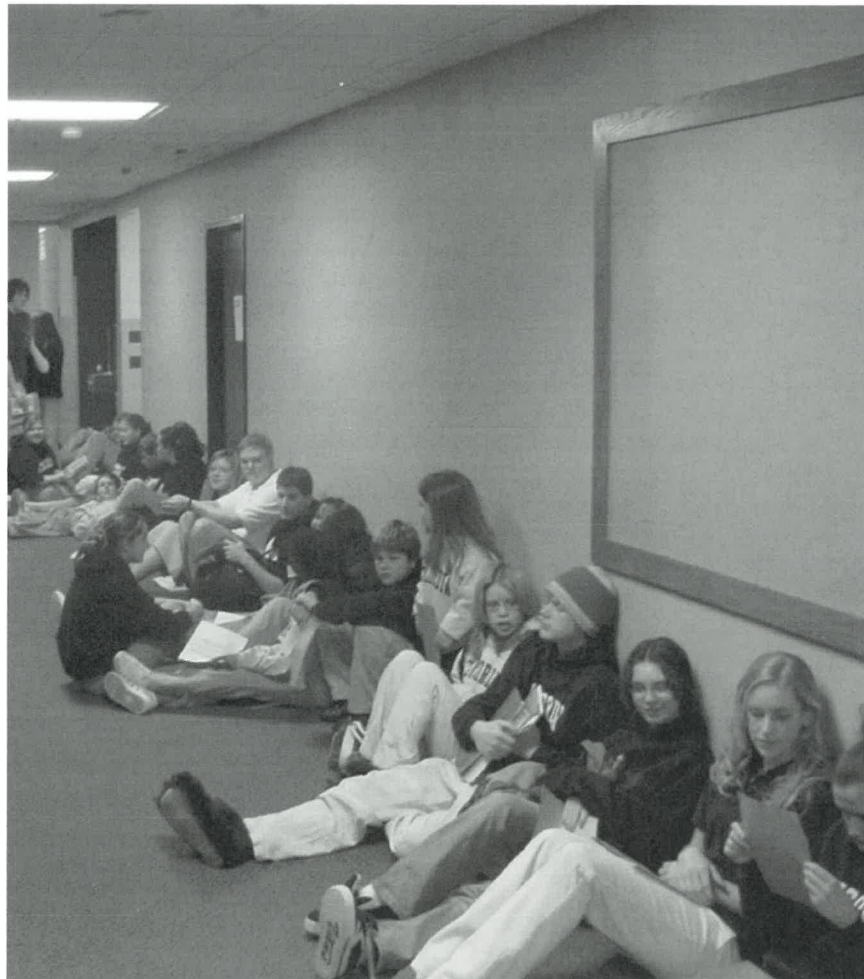
Students were able to sign up for one all-day class, or two half-day classes. Sign-up for these classes was on a first come, first served basis. Some classes were extremely limited on space, but heavy on student interest. The lines on registration morning started early and stretched down the hallway and around the corner before the doors even opened up.

Concordia's second annual Interim was a success and it is hoped that this tradition continues to develop and expand in the future.

Michael Hilding tries his chef's hat on for size, he participated in Around the World in Three Days and got to try many types of cuisine.



Evan Saline tries his best to keep his balance, will he buckle under the pressure?



Right: The line began to form at six o'clock a.m. Students wanted to ensure that they got their first pick on Interim.



Concordia Chapel 04-05

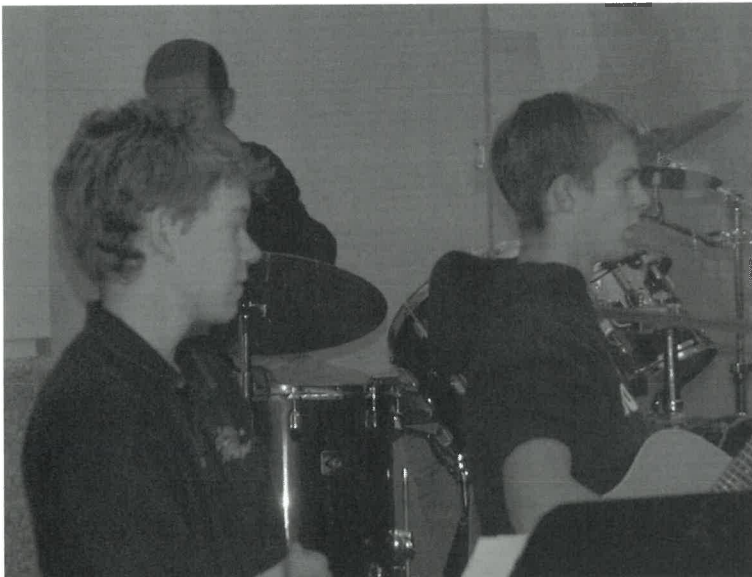
Getting out of the Boat

Chapel this year was a little different than it has been in the past. First of all, chapel had a theme this year. The theme followed throughout the year was "Getting out of the Boat" with the song "Voice of Truth" by Casting Crowns serving as a theme song.

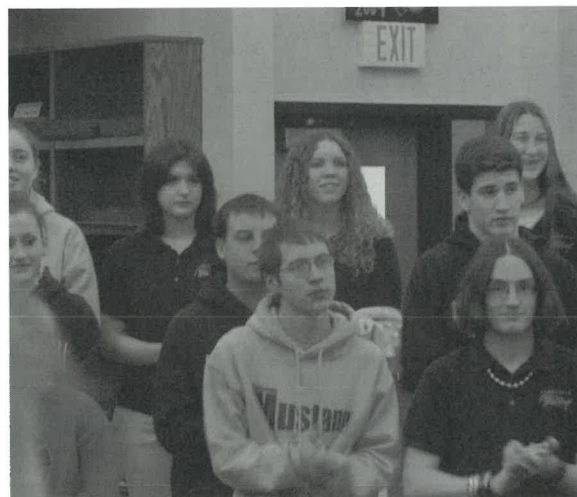
Students were reminded of this theme throughout the year by a rowboat hanging from the ceiling in the front hallway, and paper footprints with students' names on them taped to the ceiling down the hallways.

This year was also different because of the speakers at chapel services. While pastors and youth leaders from area churches commonly spoke at chapel in previous years, this year the Concordia teachers and staff took charge and organized a schedule so that each of them had a chance to lead at least one chapel service.

Below: "At a time like this, nanner nanner, whoop whoop, whoop whoop, boolah boolah." Wise word from Mr. Meggers.



Above: Chapel team members, Josh Kanoy and Travis Gleason play their instruments to lead worship during chapel.



Right: Senior high students listen intently to a chapel message.

Students and Staff alike "Step out of the Boat" to make chapel a unique and effective environment for spiritual growth



While sometimes chapel is thought of as being very serious and quiet, chapel this year at Concordia was far from that typical perception. With many different activities during chapel services and fun ways for students to be involved, students were able to learn and grow spiritually while having fun!

Left: Senior high students participate in a trust activity during a chapel service.



Above: A steel drum band from Trinidad was invited to play their drums for an all-school chapel.

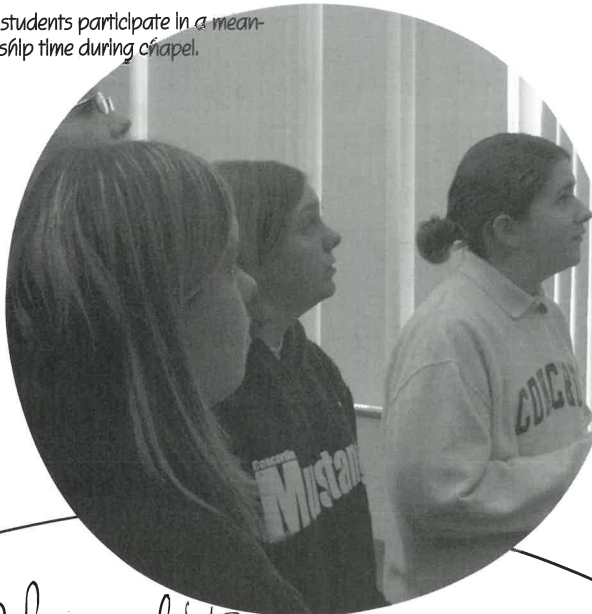


Above: Mrs. Reynolds lights a candle to represent Christ as the focus of the chapel service.



Left: Senior high students, Abbey Wolfert and Tina Polinko lead the actions to a fun chapel song, "Pharaoh, pharaoh."

Freshmen students participate in a meaningful worship time during chapel.



Chapel Team 2004-2005

Concordia has now had a chapel team for three years. It started with a small group of dedicated students and has grown to many.

This year the chapel team was able to expand into two groups, one group led junior high chapel and the other led senior high chapel. The team that led junior high chapel consisted of many new additions to the team. It gave these students an opportunity to step up into leadership positions. The other team consisted of many students that had participated in chapel team in previous years.

The chapel team not only led chapel services at Concordia, they also ventured out to lead chapel services at many area private schools. They traveled as far as Lincoln to lead a chapel service for Lincoln Lutheran High School.



Above: Caitlin, Charista, and Julia sing at a chapel service.



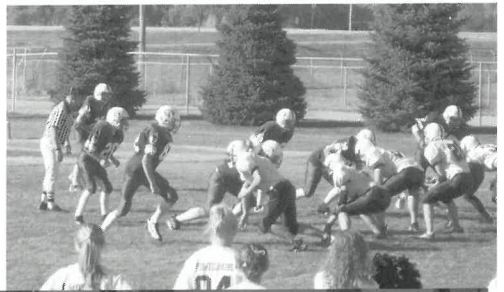
Above: David Hill, Allie Elliott, Samantha Bodkin, Jessica Koester, Josh K. Cory Reed, Lacy Anderson, Dan Newburn, and Scott Muldoon make up Chapel Team Two with Mrs. Reynolds (back, right) supervising and directing them. Most of the kids were new to the chapel team this year.



Chapel Team One, above: Travis Gleason, Caitlin Pfeiffer, Caleb Gronewold, David Manley, Julia Manley, Charista Zehnder, Matt Willard, Josh Kanoy, and Cory Reed. Mrs. Reynolds (back, right) also supervises this group.



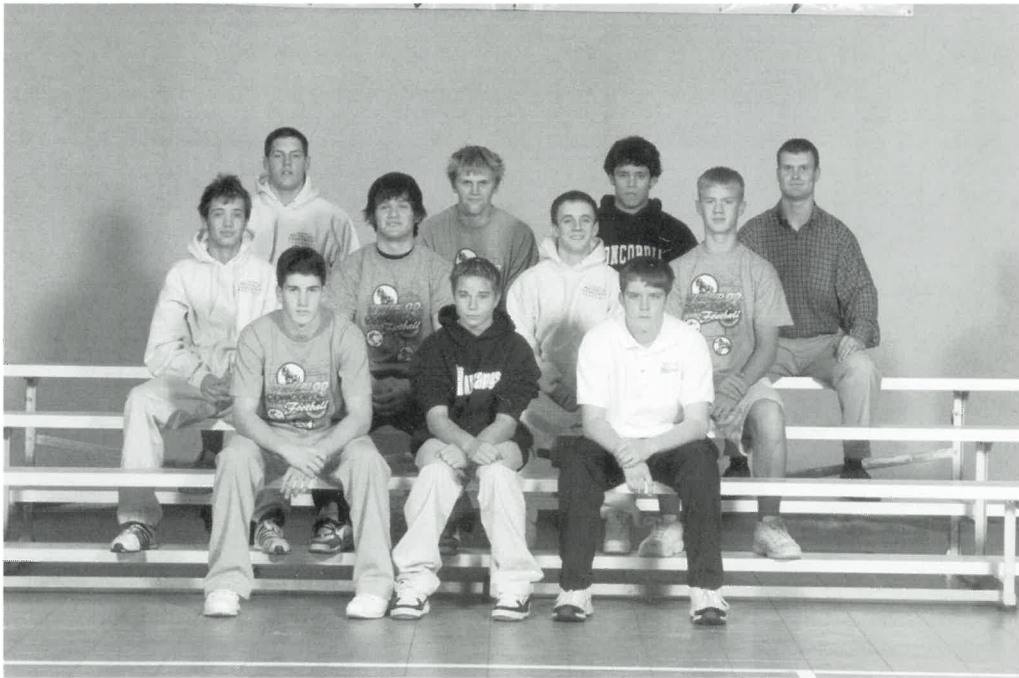
Left: Mrs. Reynolds, Stephanie Bardon, Ashley Schoch, Sarah Kanoy, and Rachel Wood worked on the projection team this year.



Blazing New Trails

A Third Year for Concordia Football

Team picture, back row: Caleb Nivala, Tony Kuchta, Jeremy Miller, and Coach Mike Ellis. Middle Row: Chris Shoemaker, Andrew Gaffney, Emerson Cole, and Caleb Gronewold. Front row: John DiGiorgio, Kyle O'Connell, and Andrew Smith.



Emerson Cole, 20, and Jeremy Miller, 28, execute their offensive play.



Right: Kyle O'Connell kicks into gear and heads down the field.



Mustangs again Partner-up with Panthers

The 2004-2005 football season was Concordia's third year of co-opting with the Waterloo Panthers.

Two of Concordia's players were chosen for All-Conference teams. Andrew Gaffney was selected 1st Team, All-Conference, and Jeremy Genier was selected 2nd Team, All-Conference.



Above: The Concordia/Waterloo offensive line paves the way for Emerson Cole to head for the goal line.

Left: Mustangs and Panthers rush the quarterback in an attempted sack.

Far left: John DiGiorgio anticipates the ball and his next move. This game was played on Brownell-Talbot's home field.



The volleyball team faced many challenges this year, including learning how to win graciously and having to take the pain of losing graciously.

Left: Abbey Wolfert, pictured far right, was selected 2nd Team All Conference for the 2004-2005 volleyball season.



2004-2005 Varsity Volleyball Team



Back Row: Katie Trebbien, Caitlin Pfeiffer, Becky Wilsnusen, Jenny DiGiorgio, Emily Ellison, Hung Drake. Front Row: Coach Kylie Hanson, Candice Berggren, Lauren Koch, Karl Adolf, Abbey Wolfert, and Assistant Coach Sarah Mancuso.

"Better" was the theme for this year's volleyball season. The girls pushed themselves to become better volleyball players, and better athletes all-around. The girls accomplished their goal with a handful of wins this year, including some against their toughest competitors. Congratulations Mustangs!



2004-2005 J.V. Volleyball Team

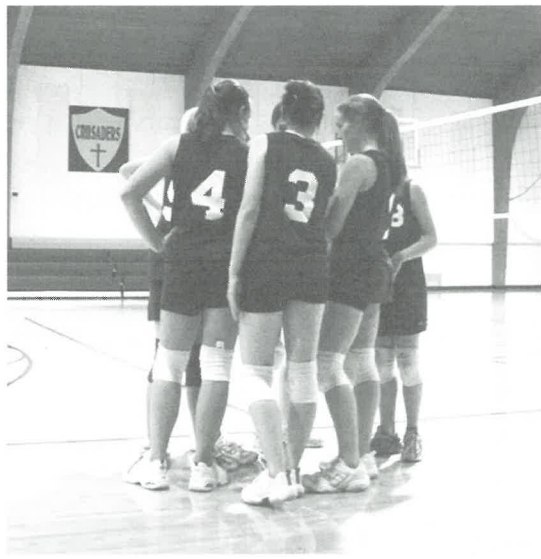
Back Row: Sarah Kanoy, Hung Drake, Jess Gunzelman, Erin Bray, and Savannah Thompson. Front Row: Jessica Koester, Lindsey Warnerke, Elena Zehnder, Lauren Holmes, and JV Coach Sarah Mancuso.

Bump! Set! Spike!

The seventh and eighth grade girls volleyball team had a great season. The girls worked hard, staying after school three nights a week for an hour and a half. Coach Mrs. Lori Gedwillo and Assistant Coach Mrs. Shelli Muldoon helped the girls prepare for the upcoming games against other schools. The girls even developed their own cheer. Ahhhhhh.....Ace!



The 7th grade team practices before a game. Brittney Karstens, Tiffany Steinké, Hannah Peterson, Anna Wilkins, Nadia Draper, and McKenzie Deckard wait for the ball to be thrown to bump.



Above: The girls huddle together to figure out their next play.

Below: Leslie Newburn and Kirsten Gedwillo watch as Rachel Lusvardi spikes the ball to the other side.



7th grade volleyball team, top row: Coach Lori Gedwillo, Tiffany Steinké, Brittney Karstens, Anna Wilkins, and Coach Shelli Muldoon. Bottom row: Hannah Peterson, Emma Davies, Nadia Draper, and McKenzie Deckard.



8th grade volleyball team, top row: Coach Shelli Muldoon, Audrey Holmes, Kirsten Gedwillo, Hannah Zehnder, Coach Lori Gedwillo. Bottom row: Rachel Lusvardi, Leslie Newburn, Kristin Gaffney, and Molly Muldoon.



We are Proud of our Students that Pave the Way in Sports for CHS



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Hockey

Sophomore Ben Lavitt's passion is to play hockey, and play it well. Co-oping with Elkhorn, Ben can say he is proud to live out the love of a sport. This season, Ben received a special award called "Defenseman of the Year." To earn this honor he beat out all freshmen through seniors in the high school leagues.



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Softball

Danielle David, a Junior, is very talented in all the sports that she plays, but her enjoyment of softball is above the rest. She co-oped with the Lady Bennington Badgers playing her second softball season with them.



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Diving

Senior Travis Gleason gave up basketball this year to be on Burke's diving team. Since it was his senior year, he wanted to step out and try something new for a change. He finished 8th place at the Nebraska High School State Diving Meet. Way to go, Travis.

Junior High Track and Cross Country

The Junior High track team, from back left: Coach McGorgio, Emma Davies, Derek Warneke, Jacob Carlson, Mark Andrew Reynolds, Taylor O'Connell, Conner White, Andrew Pryor, Martin Giles, Ryan Schoch, and Miranda Allaway.

Middle row: Hannah Peterson, Leslie Newburn, Katelyn Schilda, Rachel Lusvardi, Hannah Zehnder, Kirsten Gedillo, Nadia Draper, and Molly Muldoon.

Front row: Matthew Paul, Jared Cornell, Michael Hilding, Sel Becker, Nicholas Heesch, Kirill Zehnder, and Brandon Riggle.



Left: Derek Warneke practices launching his shotput.

Cross Country, back row: Ben Trebbien, and Neal Holmes. Front row: Dan Newburn, Julia Manly, and Joel Becker.



Faster than the wind... Senior High Track



Back row: Stephen Cornell, Elizabeth Muller, Andrew Zehnder, Emerson Cole, Danell David, Jenny DiGiorgio, Scott Muldoon, and Neal Holmes.
Middle row: Coach Senechal, John DiGiorgio, Matt Reibel, Andrew Kohtz, Quinn Eaton, Dan Newburn, David Hill, Tony Gedwillo, and Coach Bun.
Front row: Kyle O'Connell, Savannah Thompson, Racquel Williams, Lyndsie LaFleur, Charista Zehnder, Elena Zehnder, Julia Manley, and Emily Ellison.
Not pictured, Coach Brink.



Concordia's 2005 track team qualified for state with two runners. Charista Zehnder placed 4th in the long jump and 5th in the 100m dash at the state meet.

Dan Newburn placed 1st at the district level leading him to the state meet.

Neal Holmes nearly qualified, just 1-tenth of a second away from his state invitation.



Reaching for Excellence

Mustang Varsity Basketball Team

Right: As sophomore Ben Trebbien shoots a free throw, senior Ben Shoemaker, and sophomore Cale Hansen, wait anxiously for a rebound.



The Mustang Varsity Basketball Team, Front: David Ray, Caleb Crivala, Stephen Cornell, Andrew Zehnder, Emerson Cole, and Neal Holmes. Middle: Tony Gedwillo, Cale Hansen, Ben Trebbien, and Caleb Gronewold. Back: Ben Shoemaker and Andrew Gaffney.

Right: Senior, Ben Shoemaker, sophomore, Caleb Gronewold, and freshman, Andrew Zehnder, box out against the Boystown Cowboys.



Left: Junior Emerson Cole, gets prepared to make a free throw.



The Mustang JV Basketball Team Going For It



Below: Sophomore Harris Gerner warms up as sophomore Garrett Womack, freshman Josiah Shanks, and sophomore Andy Kofitz watch.

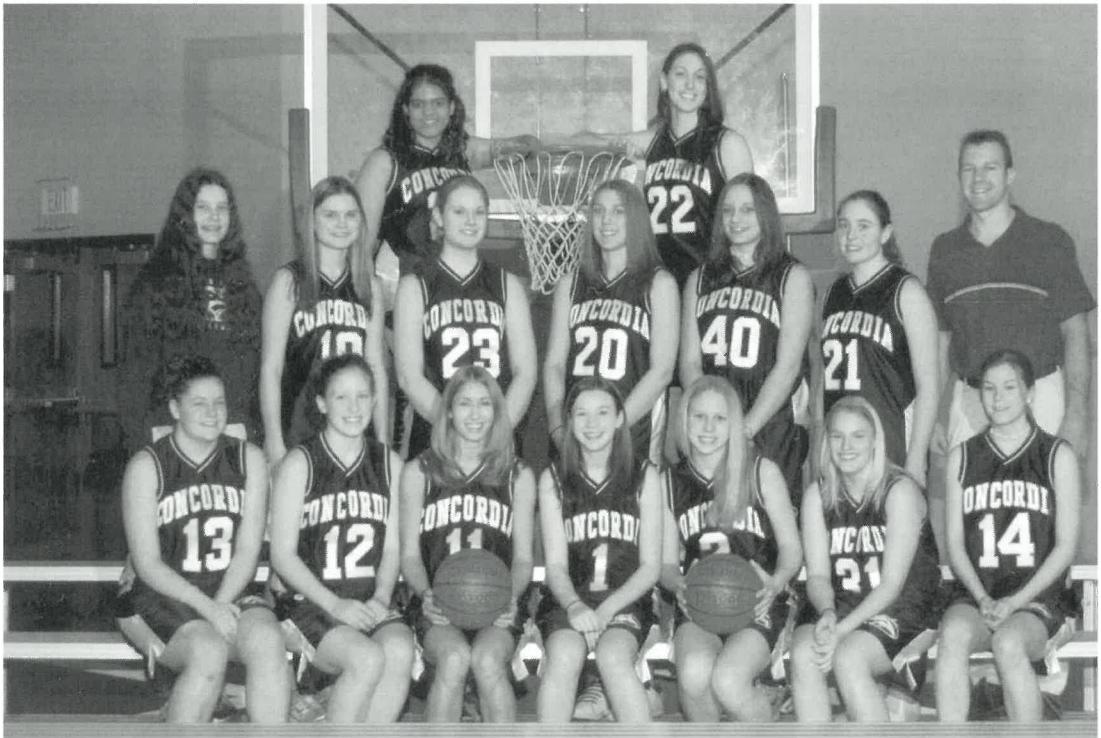
The Mustang JV Basketball Team, Front: Scott Muldoon, Matt Reiblen, Cory Reed, Brent Cemer, and Garrett Womack. Middle: Andy Kofitz, Josiah Shanks, Stephen Cornell, David Hill, John DiGiorgio, and Coach Scott Ashoff. Back: Harris Gerner and Dan Newburn.

Below: Freshman John DiGiorgio shoots a free throw. Bottom right: The JV team huddles up to discuss their next game plan.



Girls Basketball

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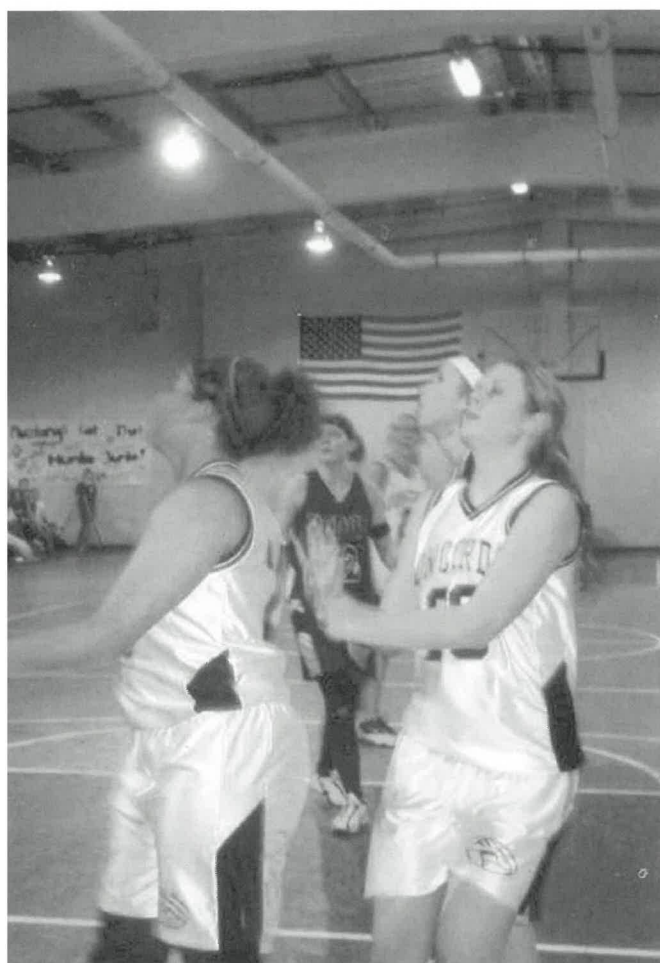
Back row: Becky Wilsnusen and Jenny DiGiorgio. Middle row: Stephanie Bardon (team manager), Lauren Koch, Abbey Wolfert, Karl Adolf, Danielle David, Elizabeth Mueller, and Coach Senechal. Front row: Emily Ellison, Rachel Wood, Charista Zehnder, Katie Trebbien, Lauren Holmes, Jess Gunzelman, and Lindsey Warneke. Not pictured: Assistant Coach Christin Senechal.

Mustang Strength and Courage



Becky Wilsnusen multi-tasks by blocking out her opponent and receiving an incoming pass.

Becky was honored her senior year by being voted All-Conference, 2nd Team, for her efforts on the court.



One of the drills for preparing for a game is practicing free throws. The girls in their warm-ups all wait their turn to practice.

Charlita Zehnder, Katie Trebbien, and Emily Ellison gather around for a picture after one of their games.

Left: Becky Wilsnusen and Abbey Wolfert prepare to get the rebound.

84. High Boys Basketball

Light: The eighth grade Junior high team huddles during a time out to discuss the next game-winning play.



Kirill Zehnder brings the ball up during one of the Junior high games.



Seventh grade team, top right: Matthew Paul, Mark Reynolds, Michael Hilding, Kirill Zehnder, Jacob Carlson, and Ryan Schöck.

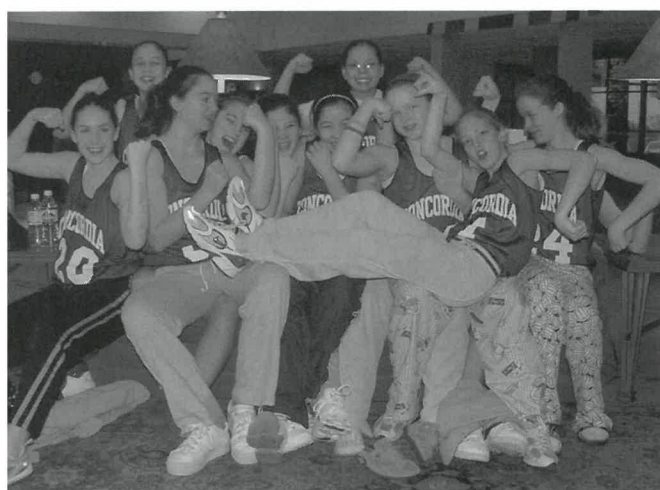
Eighth grade team, right, top row: Coach Jim Henige, Martin Gilles, Andrew Pryor, and Coach Gary Bunier. Bottom row: Tim Reibeln, Aaron Cole, Tim Steele, and Joel Becker.



Jr. High Girls Basketball

Left: The girls warm up for the final game of their season.

Below: 8th grader Rachel Lusvardi lines up for a free throw during a tournament at Concordia Seward.



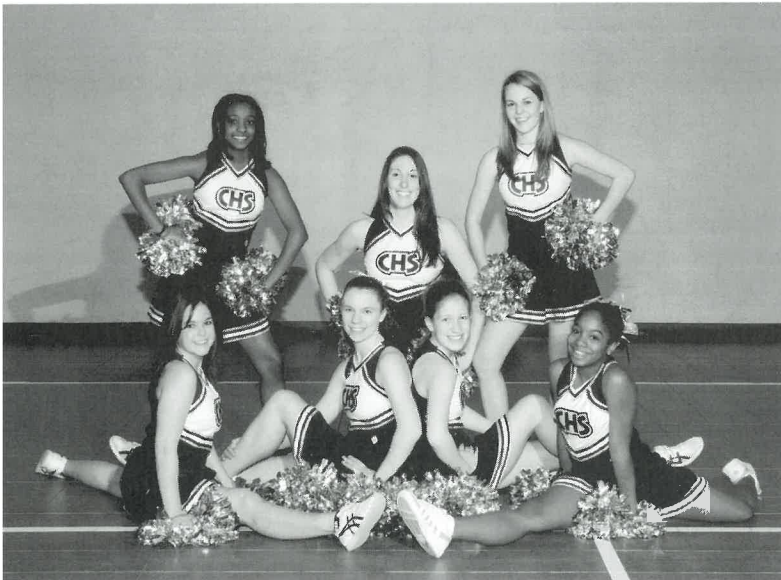
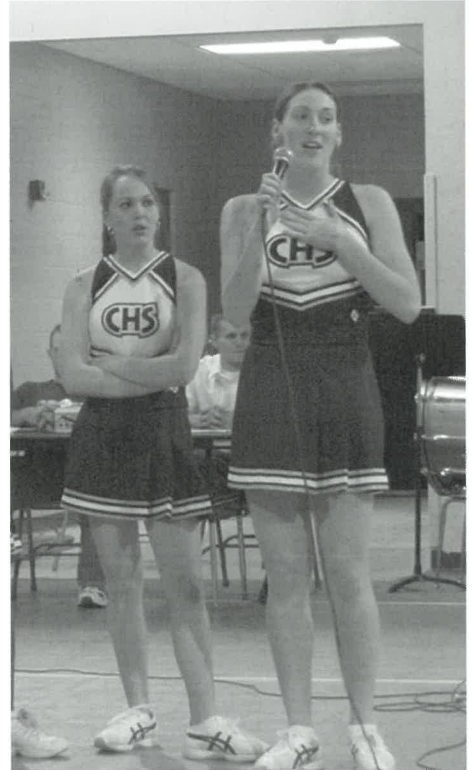
Above: The girls listen intently as Coach Todd Holmes explains a play to pull them ahead.



From Left to Right: Top: Coach Todd Holmes, Rachel Lusvardi, Elizabeth Smith, Kristin Gaffney, Brittney Karstens, Brehan Stelling, Molly Muldoon, and Coach Rowdy Newburn. Bottom: Audrey Holmes, Emma Davies, Hannah Zehnder, Kirsten Gedwillo, Leslie Newburn, and Rachelle Thleman.

Cheerleaders

Give me an "M"!

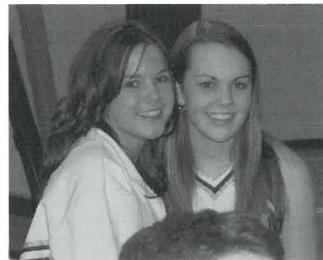


Concordia Mustang Cheerleaders, from back left: Racquel Williams, Jenny DiGiorgio, and Ashley Hanson. Front row: Lara Cobleigh, Denise Barmore, Rachel Wood, and Amanda Sledge.

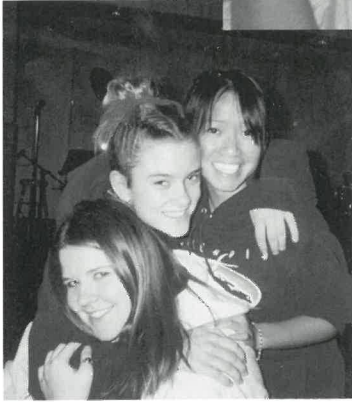
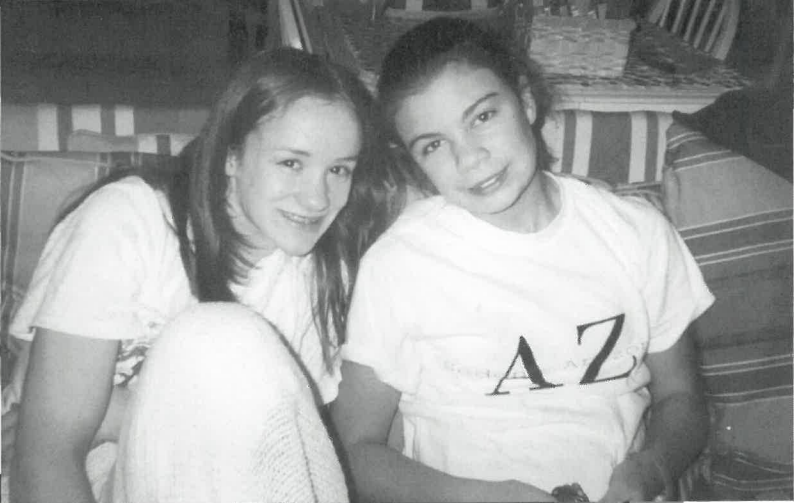
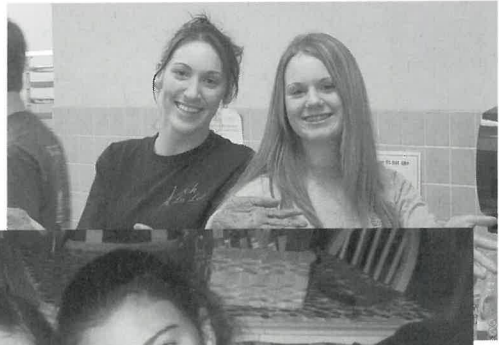
Jenny DiGiorgio encourages crowd participation at Concordia's second pep rally of the year.



A new trophy to add to the case! Cheers to the cheerleaders for their outstanding performance at competition.



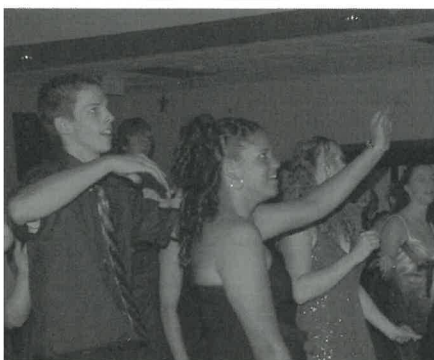
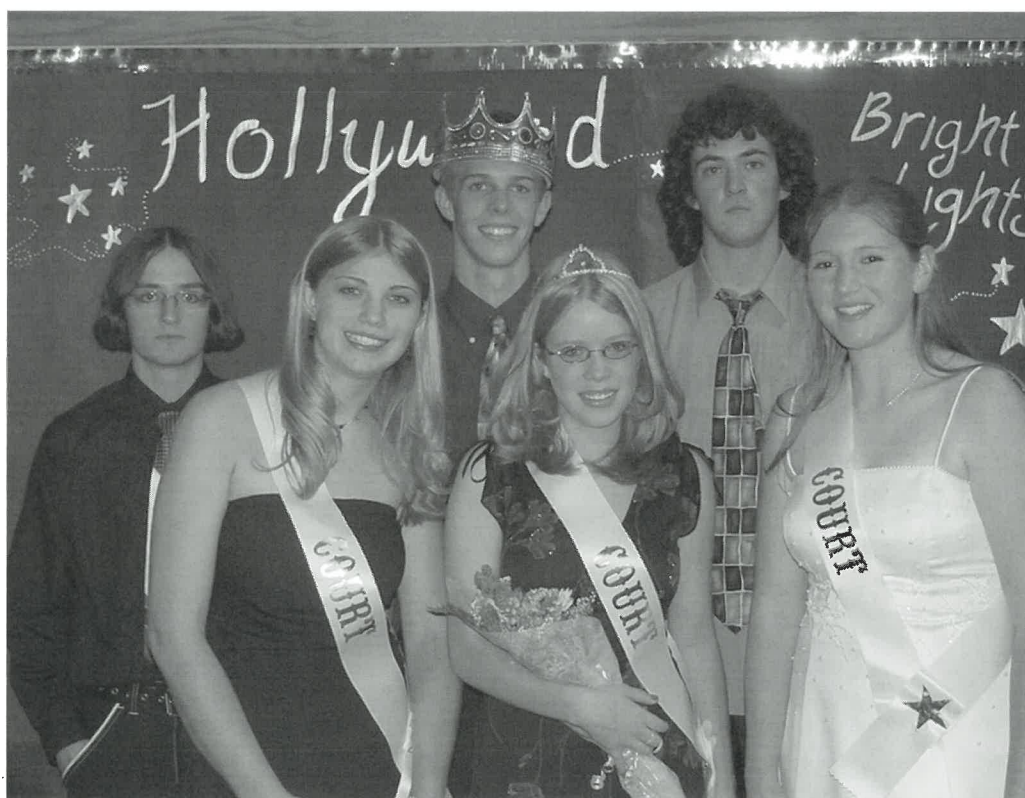
Cheerleaders Lara Cobleigh and Ashley Hanson wait for the game to begin.



Architects
of Tradition

Dark Nights, Bright Lights in Hollywood

This year's homecoming event Hollywood. We had our first senior homecoming court; Charles Buckan, King Travis Gleason, David Manley, Lindsay Tsilda, Queen Kelly Kernan, and Tina Polinko (members of the court not pictured are Ben Shoemaker and Penny DiGiorgio). Everyone's attendance looked like a celebrity,



How Concordia students showed their spirit during Spirit Week...



The Seniors wait anxiously for their next task.

During the Juniors lip sync, John Miller's puts on a good show.

The Sophomores cheer loudly for their team.

Freshmen were all about cheering for their class.

The 8th grade boys doing what they do best...

You go girls! Cheer on your 7th grade class.

Mi4404 Mi4404 on the Wall...

Who's the fairest of them all?



Concordia's first Mr. Mustang was held as a fundraiser by the Lady Mustang basketball girls. The contestants were Josi Kanoy, Matt Willard, Emerson Cole, Jared Bauer, Travis Gleason, and Caleb Chvala. That night, Travis Gleason took the title of Mr. Mustang. The contest consisted of talent, formal wear, dancing, and a basketball contest. All contestants did great.



Emerson Cole stands proud as he shows off his formal wear.



Josi Kanoy wants you to stand up and do the YMCA.



Matt Willard and his mullet sing the song "The Phantom Mullet" for his talent.



Jared Bauer gets into singing the song "God Loves Me Anyway."



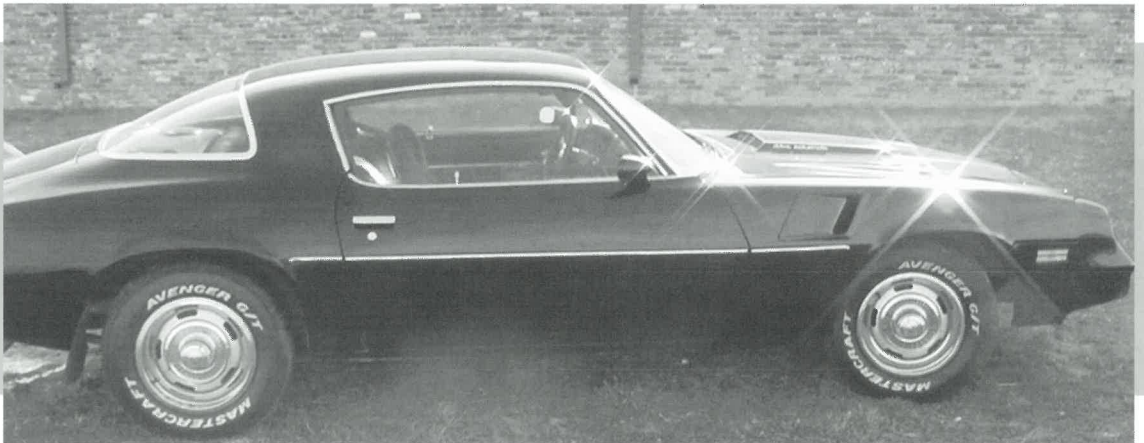
Caleb Chvala rocks out his electric guitar playing the Star Spangled Banner.

Gone In Sixty Seconds...

or Maybe Four Years

This section of the yearbook is dedicated to that all-important part of high school, cars. The motivation for summer jobs and extra chores around the house, cars are a very important part of student life. The countless time and money spent on the actual car, insurance, and gas gives a sense of independence.

No matter what the model, color, year, or brand, many students are proud of their vehicles. From minivans to compact cars, virtually every type of vehicle can be found gracing the parking lot of Concordia Jr./Sr. High School. These are just a few of the prized possessions of Concordia students.



This 1979 Z-28 Chevrolet Camaro is the pride and joy of Junior Stephen Cornell. Even the gas guzzling is worth the trouble for the pride that comes with driving a muscle car.





Senior Ben Shoemaker makes the trip to school everyday in his Mazda Protege.



Junior Lauren Koch's Oldsmobile Alero is the only one of its kind in the Concordia parking lot.



Junior Emerson Cole has plenty of room for a road trip in his Mercury Villager.



There is always interest following Sophomore Brent Cemer and his purple Chevrolet (ask him about it).



Junior Tony Kuchita gets around in his Volkswagen Jetta, the third in his collection which includes a Chevrolet and a Corolla.



This Chevrolet Colorado, which is a monster on dirt and gravel roads, belongs to Junior Evan Saline.



Hail to the King and Queen!



The theme for the 2004-2005 Senior Prom was Paradise Island. It was held at the DC Center and it was a beautiful night. The prom court for this year consisted of all seniors. The girls on court were Ashley Schöch, Lindsay Tschida, and Queen Tina Polinko, and guys were Charles Buckman, King Jeremy Genier, David Manley, and Matt Willard. Everyone was happy and had a great night. Directly after prom parents hosted a party which included door prizes and giveaways.



Travis Gleason, Ben Shoemaker, and Kelly Kerns decide to pick up some fake teeth at Nobbles. Do you really see a difference?

Friends Jessa Mowry and Rachel Wood hang out together. Don't they look lovely?



Paradise Island



Abbey Wolfert and Karl Adolf stop their dancing and give a nod and a wink.



Above: Quartet Chelsea Lange, Brandon Johnson, Stephanie Knudson, and Jared Bauer, are beginning the evening.

Below right: Alayna Likes completes her conversation before getting out on the dance floor.



Michelle Penner, Becky Wilschusen, and Lindsay Tschida look beautiful as they decide to pose for a picture.



Above: Hung Drake enjoys the night.



Left: Corey Reed and Travis Gleason watch Jeremy Genier and Ben Shoemaker compete in a dance-off.



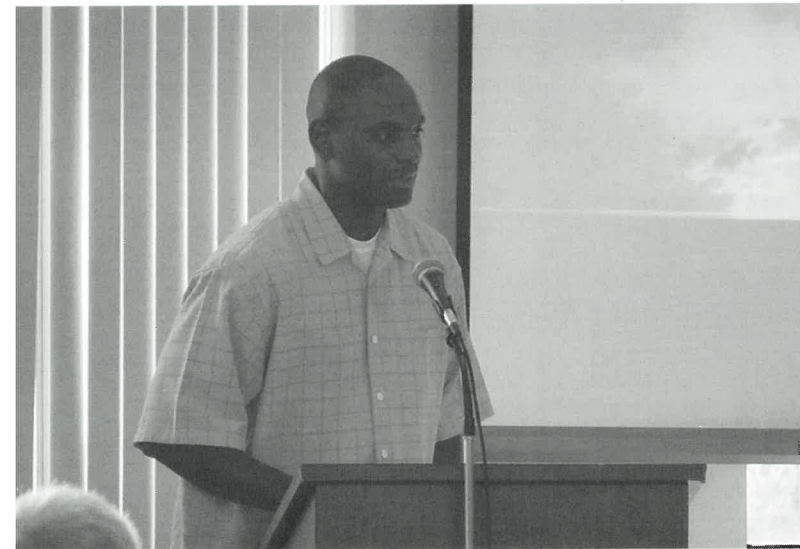
Ashley Schoch, Dana Armbrust (last year's prom queen), Karl Adolf, Alayna Likes, Moriah Jones, and Tina Polinko find themselves in paradise.

Go My Children...

Concordia's Senior Blessing Night was to honor its first graduating senior class. It was a night for a spiritual send-off to the seniors by the parents, teachers, and other friends and family of the class.

The seniors were able to choose the faculty member to bless them. This was not only an emotional night, but a special one as well.

Right: Mr. Senecchal, the senior class sponsor, welcomes the audience and begins the night.



Above left: Spiritual mentor to the class, Amos Gray, provides encouragement and blessing to the seniors.



Mrs. Gedwill reads a scripture for Kelly Kernen.

Right: Parents, friends, and family circle the students and end the night with thanks and prayer.





Travis Gleason leads praise during graduation songs.



Just hours after speaking to a graduation class in Bethlehem, Dr. Bimler delivers the address to Concordia Seniors.



Concordia Principal Matt Korte presents the class of 2005.



The Class of 2005

The graduation ceremony for the pioneering class of 2005 took place at King of Kings on May 22nd, 2005. Dr. Richard Bimler, president of Wheat Ridge Ministries delivered the commencement address to the seniors.

Pictured middle left, and bottom left, are class co-valedictorians, Ashley Schöck and Molly Polk.

Senior Tina Pollnko read the class verse from 1 Thessalonians 5:16-17. "Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."



...With My Blessing



Dana,

You've trusted Jesus with your life, now live that life in Him. Inhaling Him. Exhaling Him. Making Him your life-source each and every day, with the faith of a little child. Colossians 2:7 "Let your roots grow down into Him and draw up nourishment from Him, so you will grow in faith, strong and vigorous in the truth you were taught. Let your life overflow with thanksgiving for all He has done." We love you, Dana, and are so very proud of you. You have been a great blessing in our lives.

Love,
Dad, Mom, Leigh Ann, and Andrew



Charles,

God has blessed you with many blessings, such as intellect, charm, and humor. May he bless you with many more, such as family, wealth, and happiness.

Love, Mom and Dad

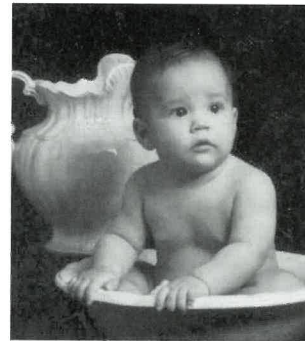


Jenny,

We are so proud of your faith. "You are a child of God who can conquer the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world - your faith." I John 5:4 Dwell on the fact that God lives within you. Think about the power that gives you life.

Walking with your Savior has given you a smile and joy that penetrates the hearts of those around you. The God who makes things grow will help you bear much fruit.

We love you, Mom and Dad.



Congratulations Jeremy!!

We are so proud of your accomplishments. We are blessed by God with you as our first son. Through trials and tribulations we grow. Read a Proverb a day for the rest of your life and it will keep your path straight. Use the gifts of strength and endurance that God has blessed you with and always remember His mercy.

We all love you,
Dad, Mom, Jacob, Dacia, and Josiah



Dear Travis,

Words cannot express the love we have for you. It has been thrilling to watch you grow into a wonderful young man. Your sensitivity to the Lord's leading will continue to give you direction in life as it has so far. We are so very proud of you and look forward to what your bright future holds. Psalms. 37:4 "Delight thyself also in the Lord and He will give thee the desires of thine own heart."

Love,
Dad and Mom



Moriah,

To my one and only beautiful child. You have been a joy, the love of my life. I know your Dad's watching and smiling from heaven. Always remember and stand on Romans 8:28. I pray for the best our Lord has for you.

Love, Mom and Dad
(from heaven)



Congratulations Kelly,

On all you have achieved. We are so proud of you, our daughter. You have filled our hearts with joy, pride, and love. The Lord has entrusted you to us and it has been a blessing to be a part of your life and see you grow. We pray and ask the Lord to bless you with a heart that seeks Him and is pure for Him. Matthew 5:8 "Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God."

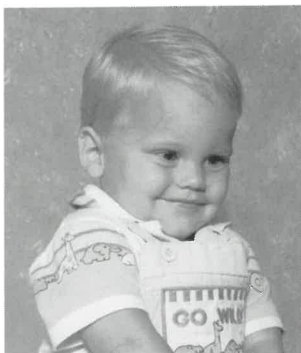
We love you, Mom and Kevin and Dad and Jeanine



David K.,

Our "miracle child" sent from God above. Your name means "beloved" and that you are in every way. We wish the best for you throughout life. Follow your heart and keep God in your life and you will do well in whatever you chose.

Your parents,
Gary and Mary Kiepe



Tony,

Your confirmation verse: Matthew 19:26 "Jesus looked at them and said, 'With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.'" We are so blessed and proud that you are our son. We look forward to all possibilities of your future.

We Love You So Much,
Mom and Dad



Alayna,

Your name means beautiful and you are, both inside and out. We are proud of the strong, intelligent, young woman you have become. Your faith shines in the way you live each day. You do so many wonderful things, but you do them quietly thinking no one notices. Your family has noticed and we are proud of you. We love you more than you can imagine. The way you seek God's approval and not other's is awesome, it makes you strong. We admire your honesty, the way you defend your faith, your compassion, and oh — what a sense of humor. God has blessed us beyond compare; there is no one like you. You bring such joy and love into our lives. You will always be our little pookie. Love Mom and Dad



David M.,

It has been a joy watching you grow into a young man of great character. We pray that you will continue to seek after God's heart. Congratulations on your graduation, we are very proud of you.

Love, Mom and Dad
Jeremiah 29:11-13



Dear Michelle,

Just over 18 years ago, the Lord blessed us with a beautiful little bundle of joy and energy. We named her Michelle Elizabeth. It has been our privilege to watch her blossom into the beautiful young lady you have now become. The Lord has given you a special ability to touch the lives of those around you. As you move into adulthood, always remember that it is the radiance of inner beauty that warms and blesses everyone you touch. We are pleased and proud to be your parents.

We love you very much.
(Parents-David and Chi Penner)



Tina,

We are so thankful for you. The Bible says that, "Children are a gift from the Lord." God could not have entrusted us with a more precious soul than yours. You are so spiritually strong and hard-working. You truly can do anything you want to do. It has been a total joy watching you mature in Christ and use the talents that He has blessed you with. Serve the Lord with all your heart and strength, and go get 'em Tiger (#12)!!

Our Sincerest Blessings—Dad and Mom



To Molly:

Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord! Since the day you entered my life, I have not stopped singing thanks for you. And I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know Him better. Sing to the Lord a new song; make music to Him with tambourine and harp! Love, Mom



Ashley,

Congratulations! As you take this next step in your life that the Lord has set before you, it is our prayer for you, as your family, that you will always hold tight to that "voice of truth" the Lord has given you. It is there to guide you and comfort you in all that life brings your way. Always remember the words to Jeremiah. "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

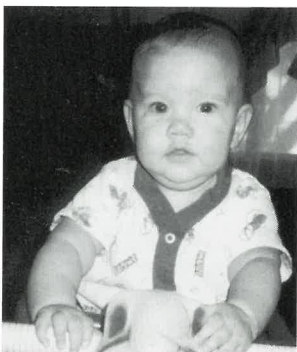
Love, Mom and Dad



Ben,

To every finish line there's a start... It has been a joy and honor to watch you grow in your faith and in your talents. You have filled our lives with lots of laughter, joy, and love. Our hearts and prayers will cover you as you begin this new journey. 1 Corinthians 15:28 "...stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourself fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain."

We love you!
Dad and Mom



Jessy,

What a joy you are to your family! Your compassion for others will always be a blessing for those you love. "When I am afraid, I will trust you. In God whose word I praise, in God I trust; I will not be afraid. What can mortal man do to me?" Psalm 56:3-4

Love, Mom and Dad



Lindsay,

"Keep your father's commands and do not forsake your mother's teaching. Bind them upon your heart forever; fasten them around your neck. When you walk, they will guide you; when you sleep, they will watch over you; when you awake, they will speak to you." Proverbs 6:20-22.

We love you Lindsay and we are excited to see what the Lord will do in and through you in this next season of your life.

Love, Mom and Dad



Congratulations Matthew!

We are so proud of you. You're a blessing to our family.

Love, Mom and Dad



Becky,

We thank God that He trusted us to play such an important role in your life. You have brought much joy to our lives. As you begin this trip we call adulthood, our prayer is that you continue to walk with the Lord and achieve much joy and fulfillment on this journey.

Love, Dad and Jean

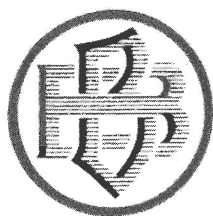


Sarah-

You chose Romans 3:23-24 as your confirmation verse. You were so wise at this young age to understand and live your life knowing that it is through God's grace that we are allowed to make our choices. Your choice to live as a beautiful Christian has inspired us so much.

Continue to give your love to those around you as you reach all of life's goals. Life will be full of happiness for you and all of those around you.

We are so proud of you!!!
Mom and Dad



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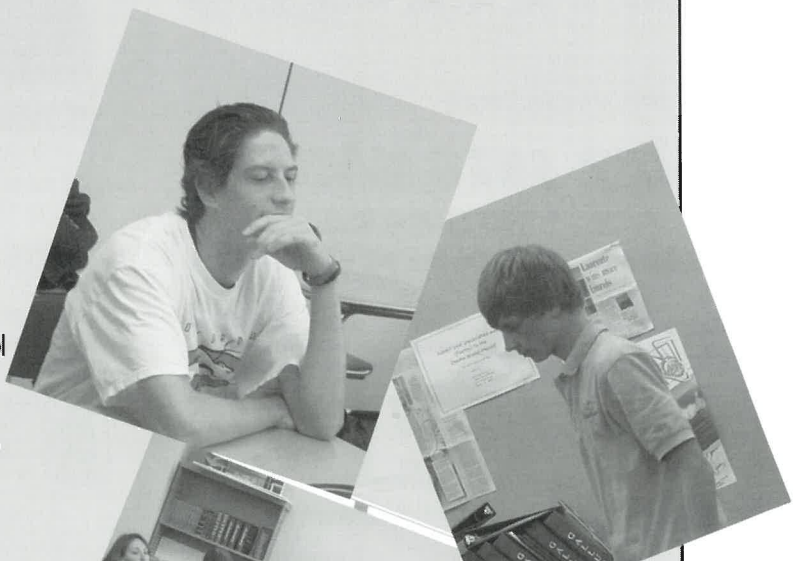
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From the News Room

The Journalism I and II classes created Concordia's online newspaper, *The Stampede*, and were tasked with the fun responsibility of documenting the 2004-2005 school year in this book, *The Mustang*.

We would like to give special thanks to "honorary" staff members Kurt Brink from *A Moment in Time* photography for supplying us with many photographs, and Charlsta Zehnder for her detail in editing.

We hope that you enjoyed this volume of *The Mustang*, "From Blueprints to Footprints", and that it brings back memories of our people and places for years to come.



Ninja Journalism II staffers, from front left: Ashley Schoch (co-editor of *The Stampede*), Sarah Wilson and Kelly Kernen (co-editors of the yearbook), Kyle O'Connell, and Charles Buckman (co-editor of *The Stampede*). In back row: Quinn Eaton.



Journalism I staff members, from back left: Stephen Cornell, Caleb Chivala, Ben Lavitt, Tony Gedwillo, Caleb Gronewold, Dan Newburn, Ben Trebbien, Jeremy "what's that I see?" Genler, Tony Kuchita, and Neal Holmes. From front left: Katie Trebbien, Allie Elliott, Jenny DiGiorgio (yearbook sales manager), Michelle Penner, Elizabeth Mueller, and Dana Armbrust.

Charcoal,
you are definitely the
most interesting person
I've met. you have a
great personality. Good
luck in the future.

Kelly

Charles
It's been awesome getting
to know you this past two
years! You are a very unique
person with a great character.
I hope we stay in touch after
this joint. Much love
David & Kyo

Chuck,
Dude, wazzup? Finally done
with high school! Lucky! Stay
cool

DAVID

Charles! IT'S THE
CRUCKINATOR! Oh wow, I
think the only thing I won't
miss is you, David, and
Matt messing up my comp-
uter, and calling me Rat-Girl
although deep down I know it
was funny. I love you to
death, man, and don't be a
stranger, alright? Good luck
with the rest of life!

Sarah-Bear.

It was great
to meet a fellow
Megaman fan! Hope to
see you again someday!
David Waller

Buckman! I love you
so much! It's been great having
you at school and you know the
weirdest & most personal stuff about
me... I better be nice to you! You're
an awesome guy Charles, you really
are! Call sometime 871-6855 <cell
Love,
Mayna

Hey Charles,
I didn't know
what to
write so
I'm
pounding out
that you're
David's
fan! Got
a
pink star
on your
back
toggie!



Hey Charles!
It's been great having
you in my class and in my
study hall. I hope you
have a great summer!
-Ashley

Charles -
You are by far one of the coolest
people I have ever met. You have such
passion & vigor for the Lord. Keep a
clear heart & focused mind for the
Lord. Keep the faith & always be
loving (as you always were). Love ya.
Tina Polinko

Hey Chuck!
It was awesome chillin' with you in
Study Hall! I am truly appologetic
for the extremely horrific girly discussions.
Your wife will appreciate it! Ha! Call me anytime
you want! 🌈

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Umm Bre

Zach

P.S.

This is what it would
look like without Q+R weren't
in the Alphabet.

Charles,

Shriek - of-terror!! That is the
phrase I will always remember you
for. Thanks for bringing a sense of
humor to the class and for being a
positive influence on everyone.

Love,

Becky

A message, for Charles, from Matt, the fellow senior, his friend...
how are my friend... I hope you will always be my friend...
my pen matches my ring... you are a cool Kat and probably always
will be... years from now (or sooner than I think) I will say,
"I know Charles Buckman in high school, he ~~was~~ a dork." but I will
also say, "He was the strongest person in (Christ) faith that I
know in high school."

We will stay in touch,

Matt
(Javilin-Chast)

Charles

Hey man Its been great getting to know you.
I like your free spirit & love for God.

I hope your dreams come true.

Trav.

Charles-
I can't wait 'till
your 1st album!
(Ha Ha Ha Ha)
Keep it tight, Bro!
Gut's really hot!

Yes! You're Right! Much Love
Yes! You're Right! Guess what?
I guess a lot.

Charles-

Were done! @!

Will always remember
you by putting Mrs.
Madden's keys hanging
in various places or
finding little things
gived together! Have
an awesome summer
and succeed in your life!

Lindsay

I will never forget
the administrations problems with
you! We had some great times
in Muldoon's! Have fun always

Tony

Good luck with all
you set out to do and
keep it real! Joshua 1:9
Jazz King

C-Daddy,
What up gangsta. Have a good
time in college and living at Varsity.
Over. Say I go to peer pressure.
But number 10. I want
pee. Hotta well I do. Well anyway
Just keep it real. Well anyway
Jazz King

Charles,
It's been a
great time getting
to know you this
past year. You
have an amazing
sense of spirit
and a kind heart.
Good luck with all your
dreams!
-Michelle

Charles,

Thanks so much for
being my friend this
past year. You are a
very cool person; don't let
anyone tell you otherwise.
Few people enjoy conversations
about quasars, π , quanta,
and other absurd things.
You are one of the few
smart ones, with a good
sense of humor. I'm going
to miss your random comments
and the way you always
took Mrs. Muldoon's toys and
hid them. I hope you have
an awesome life, and good
luck on becoming a world-
renowned musician!

Stephanie
Bardon

Charles,
★ You're the best
student named Charles
I've ever had! Blessings
on your future!
Mr. Ameshel

Charles: you've been awesome.
 Clearly, I'm not that great at
 expressing myself with words,
 either. Things would be so
 different without you here. I'm
 thankful that you came. Thank
 you for looking past all the
 judgements, and appreciating
 me for who I am. You're an
 awesome example to me. Thank
 you.

~ Molly Brown
 P.S. - you smell like a chicken.
 But don't worry, I think they
 smell good :)

our mom... will miss you when you... go to college - gon - miss you when you... go to college

You Charcoal it's been
 sweet to meet you. I'm glad
 you came to this school,
 I hope your career in music
 goes well, & the God will
 answer all your prayers,
 Have a swell life.

I am
 sighing right
 in the middle...
 totally awesome.
 anywho... I'd say
 that I'd miss you
 + stuff but we'll still
 stay friends forever.
 :D then I won't
 have to miss you
 coz you'll always
 be with me.

dangit, I shoulda used
 the & sigh*
 well... love you,
 have a wonderous
 manhood. ~~Love~~
 Love,

Free Mrs. Geddie
 May 18, 2005
 Love,
 KOCO

How time flies! you're getting old, Charles!
 You're a great person don't ever
 change that!
 Have a wonderful
 summer & good
 luck in college!
 Chuck-
 Hung

wow, the last few
 years have gone so
 fast! Glad you came
 to Concordia. Hope
 to see you @ metro.
 Stay in touch!
 I Love you!

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It has been great getting to
 know you. Wish I had more time
 I am looking forward to learning
 about what happens to you in
 the future! God bless your work
 and defend you

Charles ~

What a pleasure it has been to read your work the last couple of years. You have an incredible amount of talent & I will look forward to your published work! God's richest blessings to you as you continue to witness for Him.

Mrs. Muldown (By the way, what will I do when I can now find my keys?!?)

Charles,
You are an amazingly gifted tool in the hand of God. But what is greater is that I have come to know you as someone who loves the Lord, walks with Him and is enjoying the journey with the Lord. Save me a walk along the banks of the river of life in the Kingdom — Mrs. Reynolds (will share about our journey)

Charles!
Hey! It's been fun hanging out and getting to know you! Have a great time! C ya around!!
Sallyways,
Denise

"Charles"
 Believe it or
 not, you've taught
 me a lot. These past
 few years, I haven't really
 showed me, through your actions
 a lot about yourself. I made
 get to know you + I judged you
 too quickly + didn't give you a
 chance. That sentence didn't make
 any sense. I hope you understand
 what I'm trying to say. I think
 you're a great guy, + I can see
 Jesus through you. Good
 luck with your future plans.
 Love, Jenny Dibicario

What's
 up, Chuck?!!
 You are a GREAT
 person, I enjoy your
 writings and your compass-
 Stay understanding
 always sweet,
 I'm Jessy

Chuck,
 thanks for everything! I have one piece
 of advice: Avoid one-eyed-one-horned-
 Flying-purple-people-eaters! God Bless
 you, man! Brother Tim (the demon-possessed-squirrel)
 Steele

* insert cliché yearbook
 signing comment * :

you're pretty awesome, we def
 have to hang this summerrr, and not
 just at the loft, mychuck-face!

Yo u a se the stuff!

-love-
 -Julia-

Charles Buckman

Hey hey yo!
You are the awesomest!
Love ya tons! Hope you
have a mindbogglingly awesome
summer. I will miss you
so much! You are sooo
awesome!

Lores!
Carrie (Carrie Bear
I meant to say
that (PSTX))

Hey Charles!
Good luck in college!
I wish we could've had more
time to get to know each
other! Keep on playing
video games, and God Bless!
Karis Waller

Charles,
Best wishes and God's
blessings on your future.
You have an abundance
of talents - use them
to their fullest!
Mr. Messers

Hey Charles,
I'm sorry I have been causing
so much grief between
Jess and me and I didn't
mean to put you in the middle of
it. I'm sorry I really didn't
get to know you but from
what I can tell you're a really
cool guy!

Bunches of love and crap and mess,

Jenny Pire
(Endya!)

Hey
Charles!!
U Rock!!
Great Hallway
convos!!
Have a great
summer!!
Katie King
(ok so that
doesn't rhyme
but it's true!)

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Charles-
I'll tell you now, I'm really
bad at this so I wrote you
an original poem

Ode to Charles

There is a senior that I know
who I'm going to hate see go
He waves at me every day
And always has something funny to say
He is very cool
And makes it better to go to this school
I don't know what the future holds
But I'll still read your Xanga

Charles -

I can only say general good
things about you since I didn't
have you in any real class.
However, your personality, sense
of humor, style and choice of
friends speak very highly of you
God Bless
Mr. Olsen