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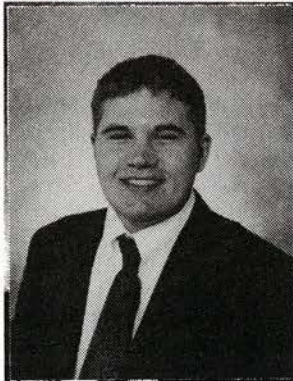
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## The Top Fourteen Students of the Class of 1997



**T. J. Bakondy\***

*Parents* - Dr. and Mrs. Robert S. Bakondy  
*In-school activities* - Academic Challenge, Varsity Tennis, Math Club, Physics Club, Interact, NHS, Peer Tutor, TACT, Spanish Club  
*Out-of-school activities* - St. Paul Youth Ministry, volunteer at Salem Community Hospital  
*Employment* - Lifeguard  
*Plans after graduation* - Kent State University/NEOUCOM - BS/MD Program



**Erin R. Engler\***

*Parents* - Mark Engler and Jane Bowman  
*In-school activities* - NHS, TACT, Interact, Academic Challenge  
*Out-of-school activities* - Youth Ministry, Recycling  
*Employment* - 9.99 Stockroom  
*Plans after graduation* - attend YSU and major in physical therapy



**Merry Heineman\***

*Parents* - James and Nancy Eichler  
*In-school activities* - Volleyball, NHS, Project Support, TACT, Key Club, Spanish Club, Peer Tutor, Office Aide, Interact  
*Out-of-school activities* - Buckeye Girls' State Alternate, J.O. Volleyball, Cancer Society volunteer, Church and Volleyball Camp Counselor  
*Employment* - Stambaugh's cashier and Golf Club banquet waitress  
*Plans after graduation* - attend Kent State Honors College and major in English/biology.



**Tricia E. Hughes\***

*Parents* - David and Tina Hughes  
*In-school activities* - Track, NAHS President, NHS, Academic Challenge, TACT, Powderpuff Football, Cross Country, Winter Track, French Club, PEP, Freshman Student Council President, Yearbook Staff, Environment Club, Interact, SADD  
*Out-of-school activities* - Old North Baptist Youth Group, Work & Mission Projects to Navajo Indian Reservation, C.A.T.S., Restoration of Burchfield House, Who's Who Among American High School Students, Girls' State Delegate, Salem Preservation Society House Tour  
*Plans after graduation* - attend Cornell University and study Art Therapy and Cognitive Research in the College of Human Ecology

**\*denotes Class of 1997 valedictorian**

In this issue, *The Quaker* looks at the Class of 1997, including the class's top students, senior plans, and the results of *The Quaker* Senior Survey. This issue also includes the results of the Awards Assembly and the Spring Sports' Wrap-up.

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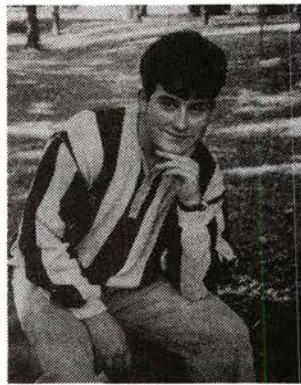
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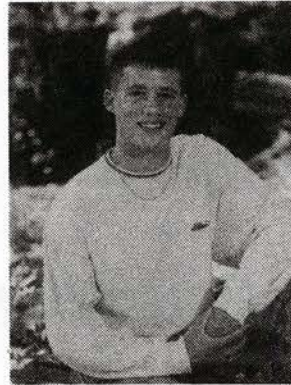
**Christopher Lee\***

*Parents* - Fu-Nen and Audrey Lee  
*In-school activities* - NHS President, Student Council Junior Class President, Key Club, Physics Club, Project Support, PEP, Big Brother/ Big Sister Program, TACT, German Club, Interact, Academic Challenge, Greeter, Tennis, Boys' State Delegate, Peer Tutor, Post Secondary Enrollment, Freshman Football, Freshman Basketball  
*Out-of-school activities* - Youth Ministry, Summer League Basketball, Hospital volunteer  
*Employment* - part time in medical office  
*Plans after graduation* - attend Case Western Reserve University to major in biology



**Brian Mancuso\***

*Parents* - John Mancuso and Barbra Shaffer  
*In-school activities* - NHS, Math Club, Physics Club, Interact, Peer Tutoring  
*Out-of-school activities* - Baseball, Golfing, help at nursing homes, volunteer at Salem Parks and Rec.  
*Employment* - Giant Eagle  
*Plans after graduation* - attend Case Western Reserve University to major in biochemistry



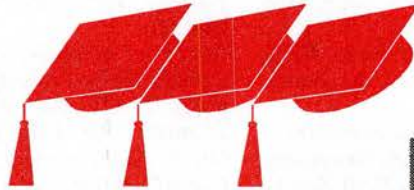
**Ricky L. Odey Jr.\***

*Parents* - Rick and Theresa Odey  
*In-school activities* - Football, NHS, NAHS, German Club, Key Club, PEP, Peer Tutor, Who's Who Among American High School Students, TACT  
*Out-of-school activities* - Youth Ministry Church Group  
*Employment* - Neodynamics  
*Plans after graduation* - attend Ohio State University and major in mechanical engineering



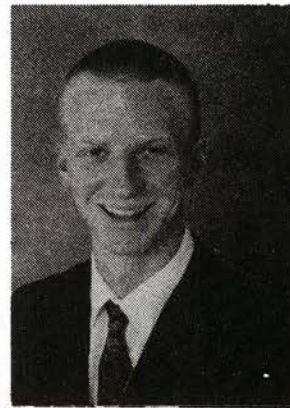
**Matthew C. Palmer\***

*Parents* - Daniel and Joyce Palmer  
*In-school activities* - NHS, Baseball, Key Club, Spanish Club, TACT, PEP, Who's Who, Physics Club, Basketball, Peer Tutor  
*Out-of-school activities* - St. Paul's Youth Ministry, American Legion Buckeye Boys' State, Basketball Camp Counselor  
*Plans after graduation* - attend either University of Akron or University of Cincinnati and major in industrial engineering



**Kathleen P. Smith\***

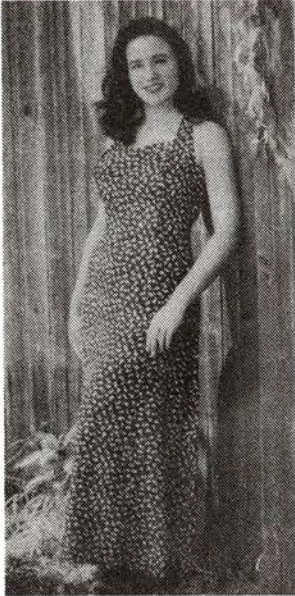
*Parents* - Bruce and Kathy Smith  
*In-school activities* - Soccer, Track, Early College Enrollment, Physics Club, German Club, Academic Challenge, Cross Country, Peer Tutoring, PEP, NHS, Salem Teenage Republicans, TACT  
*Out-of-school activities* - Salem Track Club, Children's Church Teacher, shadowing a local physician  
*Plans after graduation* - attend Ohio State University to major in pre-med, then attend OSU Medical School



**Darrell A. Walton\***

*Parents* - Kay and John Oster and Doug and Jacque Walton  
*In-school activities* - Cross Country, Track, Indoor Track, Marching Band, Pep Band, Wind Ensemble, Academic Challenge, German Club, NHS  
*Out-of-school activities* - Eagle Scout, Salem Track Club, German tutor, T. U. B. A. member, National Eagle Scout Assn. member  
*Plans after graduation* - attend U. S. Air Force Academy to major in aeronautical engineering

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**Angela L.  
Wirkner\***

Parents - Nina L. Wirkner  
*In-school activities* - Cheerleading, Student Council, Project Support, German Club, NHS, Academic Challenge, TACT  
*Out-of-school activities* - St. Paul Catholic Church Youth Ministry  
*Employment* - Suntan Bay Tanning Salon and Fashion Boutique  
*Plans after graduation* - attend Eastern Michigan University to major in International Business



**Michelle D.  
Hettinga**

Parents - Norbert and Tamra Hettinga  
*In-school activities* - Post Secondary Enrollment, Soccer, Interact, Key Club, NHS, Boys' Volleyball team manager  
*Out-of-school activities* - volunteer work at juvenile detention center, public speaking for Concerned About Teen Sexuality, Sunday School teacher at Upper Room Fellowship, homeless ministries to New York, Mexico, and Hungary, Rotary foreign exchange student  
*Employment* - Lion and Lamb Christian Resource Company  
*Plans after graduation* - work internationally this summer at Awe Star Ministries, and attend Youngstown State University to major in political science with a focus on international affairs



**Dana R. Jenkins**

Parents - Dale Jenkins and Dolores Jenkins Stryzinski  
*In-school activities* - French Club President, German Club Secretary, Yearbook Staff Activities Editor, Interact, NHS, TACT, Academic Challenge, Choir, AFS, Peer Tutor  
*Out-of-school activities* - Church Choir, Youth Ministry, American Red Cross volunteer, Salem Community Theater volunteer, Salem Teenage Republicans President and Initiator  
*Plans after graduation* - go to France as a Rotary Exchange Student, then attend college in either Washington, D. C. or Los Angeles and major in foreign languages and either film or political science



**Elizabeth A.  
McDevitt**

Parents - William and Cheryl McDevitt  
*In-school activities* - Band, Choir, Track, Cross Country, Student Council, Key Club, TACT, PEP, Spanish Club, NHS  
*Out-of-school activities* - member of First Presbyterian Church, Buckeye Girls' State delegate, Stark County Honors Flute Choir  
*Employment* - Salem Golf Club lifeguard  
*Plans after graduation* - attend Mount Union College



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## Seniors reveal future plans

by Erica Godfrey

*Jenelle Agee*- joining the Navy

*Heath Baker*- eventually get married and attend college to major in accounting

*Thomas Bakondy*- attending Kent State University and NEOUCOM as a member of the six year accelerated BS/MD program

*Christina Barrett*- working at Alliance City Schools' Latch Key program (pre-school)

*Craig Beech*- undetermined

*Abby Bellis*- attending University of Akron to major in child psychology

*Stephanie Beltempo*- attending Kent State University to major in fashion design and fashion merchandising

*Wayne Benner*- joining United States Marine Corps

*John Berthold IV*- attending GMI Engineering and Management Institute in Flint, Michigan to major in applied mathematics and is seeking a co-op employment for the college's co-op program

*Joshua Board*- attending ITT Technical Institute

*Robin Booth*- attending Kent State University to major in art education and to minor in education

*Nickalus Bourne*- attending Youngstown State University to major in criminal justice and also joining the Marine Corps

*Dawn Bradley*- attending Westminster College to major in organ performance and music education

*Dennis Briceland II*- plans to work after school and then maybe enter the military

*Daniel Bricker*-work at Electric Furnace and attend Stark State College to major in engineering

*Deanne Brown*- attending College of Santa Fe in New Mexico to major in art and minor in education

*Eugene Budner*- attending West Virginia University to major in forestry and fisheries management

*Christopher Callisto*- joining United States Marine Corps

*Thomas Capel*- attending Ashland University to major in fine arts

*Sara Caplinger*- joining United States Air Force

*Angela Carlisle*- plans to work for a year and will then attend Youngstown State University

*Nicole Carvelli*- attending Hannah E. Mullins School of Nursing and then go to Kent Salem to become a registered nurse

*Penny Cassinger*- move out of Salem and work

*Sarah Chaffee*- plans to move to North Carolina in June, work for a year and start school at East Carolina University to major in art history

*Elizabeth Chaffin*- plans to work and then go to college

*Jason Chappel*- attending Columbia College in Hollywood to study film

*Devon Cleland*- attending Cleveland State University to major in vocal performance/composition

*Katherine Clementson*- plans to work for a year, and then attend Kent Salem

*Scott Close*- plans to attend Baldwin Wallace to major in secondary education, specifically math, and play football

*Anthony Colian Jr.*- currently applying for an electrical apprenticeship and working as a landscaper

*Paula Cross*- attending Kent State University to major in elementary education

*Jill Curtis*- attending Kent Salem to major in elementary education

*Melissa Dean*- working and then going to English Nanny and Governess School

*Matthew DeBarr*- attending Kent Salem to major in business and will work part time

*Shana Delp*- attending North Eastern Ohio College to major in masso-therapy

*Steven DeMar*- attending Youngstown State University to major in mechanical engineering and a degree in ATI, specializing in hydraulics

*Aaron Denton*- plans to work in broadcasting field

*Tracy Drake*- attending the E.W. Scripps School of Journalism at Ohio University and major in magazine journalism

*Jennie Ebinger*- work and go to Kent State University to major in elementary education

*Kathryn Eckstein*- attending Kent State University to major in nursing

*Erin Engler*- attending Youngstown State University to major in physical therapy

*Amy Englert*- attending trade school or the Air Force

*Justin Everett*- plans to move out of Ohio

*Nicholas Ewing*- attending Ohio Dominican College to major in criminal justice

*Sarah Fennema*- attending Youngstown State University to major in elementary education and play soccer

*Libby Figley*- attending Ohio University to major in business

*Casey Fisher*- attending Bowling Green University to major in child psychology

*Sarah Fisher*- attending Mount Union College to major in English

*David Flaata*- joining the United States Air Force then going to college to major in automotive mechanics

*Crystal Frank*- attending Kent Salem to major in early childhood education

*Kathleen Frank*- going to be an exchange student in Argentina and then going to college to major in writing/drama, anthropology or art

*Sarah Frank*- attending Ringling School of Art and Design in Sarasota, Florida to major in illustration

*Debra Fuson*- joining United States Marine Corps

*Erin Galchick*- attending Kent State University to major in nursing

*Thomas Gamble*- attending Kent Salem to major in criminal justice and continue to work

*Jennifer Garrod*- plans to work

*Geoffrey Gay*- attending Ohio State University to major in biology and minor in U.S. Government

*Erica Godfrey*- attending Kent State University to major in mass communications and minor in visual communications and graphic design

*Candice Goehring*- attending the Pittsburgh Culinary Institute and some day hope to own bakery or catering business

*Joshua Gorby*- undecided

*Brianne Gray*- attending Youngstown State University to major in physical therapy and minor in behavioral disorders

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*Lance Gross*- attending Mount Union College to major in sports medicine

*Sarah Guappone*- attending Mount Union College to major in elementary education and minor in child psychology

*Lisa Hardin*- plans to work at Bliss Salem and study computers

*Christopher Hartman*- plans to work at Hunt Valve and go to Stark College to major in engineering

*Ryan Heckert*- attending Malone College to major in secondary education

*Merry Heineman*- attending Kent State University Honors College to major in English and biology, then go to graduate or medical school

*Rebekah Helman*- going to San Diego for three months and then going to college to major in radiology

*Erin Helms*- attending Ohio State University to major in pre-medicine

*Craig Hendricks*- attending Ohio State University to major in music, English or computers

*Regan Hendricks*- attending Georgia Southern University and major in health science

*Natalie Herron*- attending Ashland or Baldwin Wallace to possibly major in physical therapy

*Michelle Hettinga*- attending University Scholars Program at Youngstown State University to major in political sciences with a focus on international affairs and plans to go to graduate school and work overseas

*Erin Higgins*- attending Meric College in California to major in medical administration

*Abigail Hill*- attending the University of Findlay to major in physicians assisting and playing soccer

*Paul Hill*- attending Savannah College of Art and Design to major in architecture

*Jennifer Hiltbrand*- planning to work in order to save money for college

*Nicole Hippley*- attending Youngstown State University to major in criminal psychology

*Jamie Houdyshell*- plans to work full-time

*Joseph Houshour Jr.*- attending United States Marines Corps

*Samantha Hovanic*- attending Baldwin Wallace College to major in clinical psychology

*Jennifer Hovis*- going to be an exchange student in Sweden, and then attending Ohio State University

*William Huddleston*- attending Youngstown State University to major in art education

*Tricia Hughes*- attending Cornell University to study art therapy and cognitive research at the College of Human Ecology within Cornell

*Jeremy Humphrey*- attending Kent State University to major in biology or political science

*Joseph Huzyak*- attending Kent State University or Youngstown State University, major is undecided

*Darrell Jackson*- plans to work and then go to college to major in graphics

*Daniel Janosik*- joining the United States Air Force and plans to go to college

*Dana Jenkins*- going to be an exchange student in France, and then going to George Washington University or a college in California to major in foreign language and political science or film

*Steven Jenkins*- attending Youngstown State University to major in music education, with a specification in percussion and voice

*Elizabeth Keen*- attending Westminster College to major

in music performance and minor in vocal

*Krista Kibler*-undecided college, major in graphic design

*Kelly Kim*- attending Ohio State University to major in psychology or biology

*Travis Krzysztofiak*- plans to attend a two year technical college and work in graphic design

*Erika Leach*- attending Kent Salem with an undecided major

*Christopher Lee*- attending Case Western Reserve University to major biology

*Robert Lenigar*- attending Mount Union College to major in history

*Joseph Lesek*- attending the Culinary Arts School of Pittsburgh

*Matthew Liggitt*- attending University of Toledo

*Melanie L'Italien*- attending Hiram College to major in special education

*Vincent Logan*-attending Kent State University to major in teaching and move to Florida

*Timothy Lucas*- attending Youngstown State University to major in physical therapy

*Angela Lutz*- attending Rapheal's Beauty School to do nails and work full-time

*Jeremy Mackall*- attending Mount Union College to major in pre-medicine

*Brian Mancuso*- attending Case Western Reserve University to major in biochemistry, minor in math, and then go on to medical school to become a radiologist. Possibly work for the FBI as a federal medical field agent and later go into politics

*Kyle Markovich*- attending University of Toledo to major in secondary education and mathematics

*Matthew Mason*- attending Mount Union college-major in sports medicine

*Christopher Mayhew*-work at Ellyson Plumbing & Heating, in the fall go to Kent Salem for night classes to major in criminal justice

*Kimberly McCartney*- college undecided major in graphic design

*Crystal McCoy*- attending Kent State University to major in biomedical photography

*Elizabeth McDevitt*- attending Mount Union College with an undecided major

*Michael McFall*- attending Ashland University-major in environmental science

*Miranda McIntosh*- attending bartending school

*Todd McLaughlin*- attending University of Toledo to major in elementary education and play baseball

*Edward McMillen*- attending Youngstown State University to major in criminal justice

*Robert McPheron III*- attending Kent State University to study acting

*Melanie McQuiston*-working after graduation

*Joshua Melitschka*- attending the University of Toledo to major in business

*Joshua Mendez*-go to California and attend UCLA to major in computer programming

*Shelly Miller*- attending Bowling Green University to major in elementary education

*Christina Mullen*- joining the Air Force and then going to school there to major in psychology

*Matthew Newman*- attending Westminster College to major in music education and business administration and play golf

*Michael Newman*-attending Westminster College-major

# Class of 1997

in music education

*Maria Nicotera*- attending Bowling Green University to major in business administration

*Ricky Odey Jr.*- attending Ohio State University to major in mechanical engineering

*Heather Oesch*- plans to work for a year and then go to college to major in management

*Jamie Oesch*- attending University of Akron to major in elementary education

*Micheal Oesch*- attending Malone College- major in accounting or law

*Stacey Ozimek*- attending The University of Tennessee to major in business administration and management, and play fastpitch softball

*Shawn Painter*- attending Mount Union College to major in sports management

*Matthew Palmer*- attending University of Akron on a full scholarship to major in mechanical or electrical engineering

*Jack Pasco*-attending Kent State then transfer to Ohio State with an undecided major

*William Paynter*- taking a year off

*Shelby Perry*- attending Thiel College to major in psychology and play basketball

*John Phillips*- plans to work in machine trades

*Sabrina Plunkett*- attending Alliance Vocational School

*Daniel Polshaw*- attending Kent State University to major in graphic design

*Melissa Powell*- plans to work for a year then attend Kent State University to major in business management

*Casey Poynter*-work and then maybe attend college

*April Ramsayer*- attending University of Akron to major in broadcasting

*Ora Mae Richards*- plans to get married, work, and maybe have another child

*Amy Senior*- plans to work in cosmetology field

*Tara Shaffer*-work full time

*Christopher Sheen*-work

*Bradford Silvers*-attending Mount Union College with an undecided major

*Phillip Simon*-attending Hartwick College to play Division I soccer and will major in English and education

*Jessica Sisson*- attending Kent Salem to major in office management technology and going to work an internship at A-Porter Travel Service

*Andrew Smith*-attending University of Findlay to play soccer and major in education

*Katherine Smith*- attending Youngstown State University to major in criminal psychology

*Kathleen Smith*- attending Ohio State University to major in pre-medicine

*Ryan Smith*-attending Stark Tech. to major in electronics

*Sarah Sommers*- attending Thiel College, major is undecided, playing softball and basketball

*Christine Stearns*- attending Kent State-Salem Branch-major in criminal justice or U.S.A.F.

*Robert Stem*- plans to join military and then go to college to major in criminal justice

*Jana Stewart*- attending Bethany College to major in biology and play basketball

*Melissa Stewart*-attending Duquesne University to major in nursing

*Daniel Stratton*- attending University of Toledo to major in pharmacy

*Rickie Straub*- attending Tiffin University to major in

sports management and play baseball

*Kelly Syppko*- plans to work full- time

*Travis Szwedko*-attending Kent State to major in turf management and play golf

*Sarah Tomidajewicz*- attending Ohio State University to major in vocal performance and music education

*Melissa Turney*-attending Hanah Mullins School of Nursing to major in pediatric nursing

*Megan Vazzo*- attending University of Pittsburgh with an undecided major

*Darrell Walton*- joining U.S.A.F. Academy to major in aeronautical engineering

*Rebecca Watkins*- plans to work at Famous Hair

*Jennifer Weingart*- continue working at Cheshire Bookstore, then attend Mount Union College in the fall and major in communications.

*Erik Weitz*- attending University of Akron with an undecided major

*Daniel Willeman*- going to be a Rotary Exchange Student to Austria next year and then attending Penn State University to major in electrical engineering

*William Willis*-attending Pennsylvania Institute of Culinary Arts and then moving to Florida

*Chad Wilson*- joining National Guard and attending Youngstown State University to major in music

*Donnie Wilson*-attending technical school and working in a machine shop

*Eric Wilson*- plans to work at Expert Tire

*Christine Windle*-attending Hannah E. Mullins to major in nursing

*Angela Wirkner*- attending Eastern Michigan University to major in international business

*Darren Wolford*- attending Ohio State University to major in sports physical therapy

*Carolyn Wolken*- attending Youngstown State University-major in physical therapy/athletic training

*Amanda Woodyard*- attending Kent Salem to major in radiology

*Jesse Wright*- getting a sheet metal apprenticeship and working

*Scott Yakubek*-attending Allegheny College to major in biology

*Megan Zagotti*-working a year and then attending Kent State University

*Dustin Zeigler*- attending Kent State University, major is undecided

*Richard Zepernick, Jr.*- attending technical school for corporate accounting

*Erin Zerbs*-attending Youngstown State University to major in elementary education

congratulations



class of 1997

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# Class of 1997

## Awards 1997

**U.S Air Force Academy Scholarship-** Darrell Walton

**Dr. Harold F. Hoprich Valedictorian-** Thomas Bakondy, Erin Engler, Merry Heineman, Tricia Hughes, Christopher Lee, Brian Mancuso, Ricky Odey, Matthew Palmer, Kathleen Smith, Darrell Walton, Angela Wirkner

**Senior Honor Cords-** Thomas Bakondy, Erin Engler, Merry Heineman, Michelle Hettinga, Tricia Hughes, Dana Jenkins, Christopher Lee, Brian Mancuso, Beth McDevitt, Ricky Odey, Matthew Palmer, Kathleen Smith, Darrell Walton, Angela Wirkner

**Prospect School Centennial Committee-** Matthew Palmer, Ricky Odey, Erin Engler, Kathleen Smith

**Jane Eckstein Math Memorial-** Tricia Hughes

**Amvets Post 45 Robert Wilson Memorial -** Deanna Brown, Rick Odey, Tracy Drake

**Esther Odoran Awards- ( Underclass):** James Chaffee, Beth Cole, Jaclyn Drake, Alicia Dumovic, Lisa Eckhart, Celeste Elliott, Stacey Gardner, Amanda Jackson, Erin McIlvaine, Martha McKinney, Jan Peters, Leslie Rogers, Pamela Williamson; **(12th grade):** Devon Cleland, Matt Newman, Steve Jenkins, Mike Newman, Sarah Tomidajewicz

**Lois Frost- (9th):** Caroline McDermott; **(10th):** Maggie Berthold, Nathan Demar, Katie Cleland, Kristen Kenst, Jessica Weingart, Matt Wolf; **(11th):** April DeMar, Lia Irizarry, Laura Kornbau; **(12th):** Dawn Bradley, Elizabeth Keen

**Marie Burns Contest- (9th):** Tom Myers (vocal); **(10th)** Kristen Kenst (piano), Nathan DeMar (piano), Beth Cole (vocal), Danielle Curcio; **(11th):** April DeMar (piano), Stacey Gardener (vocal); **(12th)** Dawn Bradley (piano), Elizabeth Keen (piano), Matt Newman (vocal), Mike Newman (instrumental)

**Archie Griffin Sportsmanship Award-** Ricky Odey, Maria Nicotera

**Rob Wiggers Memorial Scholarship-** Casey Fisher

**Mary Fisher-** Jesse Leonard

**St. Paul Foundation Award-** Kyle Markovitch

**Dorothy M. Williams Memorial Scholarship- ( Fine/ Performing Arts)** Deanne Brown, Darren Wolford; (Literature) Melanie L'Italian, Regan Hendricks

**Ladies Auxiliary of Elks 305-** Stephanie Beltempo, Josh Melitschka  
**National Honor Society Blood Bank Volunteer-** Dan Willeman, Dawn Bradley, Chris Smith, Abby Hill, Beth McDevitt, Kelly Kim, Stacey Ozimek, Merry Heineman, John Berthold, Rick Odey, Kathleen Smith, Casey Fisher, Matt Palmer, Erin Engler, Jeremy Mackall, Angie Wirkner, Jen Hovis, Mike Oesch, Libby Figley, Scott Yakubek.

**Herb Jones Scholarship-** Kathleen Smith

**Ohio Academic Scholarship-** Kathleen Smith

**12th Grade Proficiency Honor/Voucher (one area)-** Jenelle Agee, Deanne Brown, Shana Delp, Erica Godfrey, Ryan Heckert, Jennifer Hiltbrand, Steve Jenkins, Kelly Kim, Rob Lenigar, Josh Mendez, Dan Polshaw, Andy Smith, Carolyn Wolken, Dawn Bradley, Sarah Fisher, Dan Bricker, David Flaata, Wayne Benner, Eugene Budner, Jennie Ebinger, Lance Gross, Erin Higgins, Dan Janosik, Krista Kibler, Travis Krzysztofciak, Crystal McCoy, Shelly Miller, Brad Silvers, Sarah Sommers, Richard Zeppernick, Katie Eckstein, Paul Hill, Tom Brandt, Mike Farina.

**12th Grade Proficiency Honor/Voucher (two areas)-** Stephanie Beltempo, Devon Cleland, Casey Fisher, Sarah Guappone, Dana Jenkins, Erika Leach, John Phillips, Melissa Stewart, Jesse Wright, Nick Bourne, Tony Colian, Sarah Frank, Abby Hill, Elizabeth Keen, Josh Melitschka, Jana Stewart, Christie Windle, Dustin Zeigler.

**12th Grade Proficiency Honor/Voucher (three areas)-** John Berthold, Scott Close, Libby Figley, Samantha Hovanic, Melanie L'Italian, Jeremy Mackall, Matt Mason, Mike McFall, Maria Nicotera, Shawn Painter, Erik Weitz, Scott Yakubek, Adrian Clarke, Jill Curtis, Erin Helms, Jennifer Hovis, Chris Lee, Brian Mancuso, Beth McDevitt, Matt Newman, Stacey Ozimek, Sarah Tomidajewicz, Dan Willeman.

**12th Grade Proficiency Honor/Voucher (four areas)-** T.J. Bakondy, Tracy Drake, Chris Hartman, Joe Houshour, Mike Oesch, Jack Pasco, Chris Smith, Megan Vazzo, Doug DeMar, Erin Engler, Regan Hendricks, Jeremy Humphrey, Matt Palmer, Bill Paynter, Dan Stratton.

**12th Grade Proficiency Honor/Voucher (five areas)-** Merry Heineman, Joe Huzyak, Katie Smith, Michelle Hettinga, Rick Odey, Darrell Walton.

**12th Grade Proficiency Honor/Voucher (six areas)-** Tricia Hughes, Angie Wirkner, Kathleen Smith.

**Salem Board of Education Scholarship-** Eugene Budner, Samantha Hovanic, Shelly Miller, Darren Wolford.

**Art awards-** Maggie Berthold, Sarah Chaffee, Sarah Frank, Eric Hodgson, Dan Janosik, Dan Polshaw, Cari Sanchez, Nick Sweteye, Robin Booth, Tom Cosma, Erica Godfrey, Jennifer Hovis, Bob McElroy, Mandy Prendergast, Josh Sowers, Deanna Thomas, Tom Capel, April DeMar, Paul Hill, Tricia Hughes, Rick Odey, Liz Russell, Jaci Stalnak, Heather Witman.

**Lehwald Scholarship Award-** Regan Hendricks

**Mary B. Haines-** C.J. Huddleston

**Burson-Ursu Award-** John Berthold, Kathleen Smith

**Perfect Attendance (1 year) 9th-** Amanda Baranovich, Julie Bedell, Nacole Coleman, Jeff Davis, Tina Kastenak, Josh Nutter, Christie Schnader, Allyson Woodyard, Bryan Bartels, Karee Clarke, Stephen Conrad, Bill Getzinger, Julia Navoyosky, Leslie Rogers, Allyson Shultz

**Perfect Attendance (1 year) 10th-** Pamela Benner, Jessica Brooks, Julie Judge, Tiffany Moser, Cari Sanchez, Jason Bricker, Lisa Butch, Jason Little, Aaron Powell

**Perfect Attendance (1 year) 11th-** Nathan Aldrich, Joshua Himes, Stacy Shuman, Shawn Devan, Gretchen Muller

**Perfect Attendance (1 year) 12th-** John Berthold, Tom Gamble, Tony Colian  
**Perfect Attendance (2 Years)- 10th:** Brent Altenhoff, Brian Crouse, Beth Powell

**Perfect Attendance (3 Years)- 11th:** Robert Welch, Sabrina Christofaris, Lisa White

**Perfect Attendance (4 Years)- 12th:** Jennifer Hovis

**Exceptional Attendance- (3 Years):** Greg Ziegler; **(2 Years):** Maggie Berthold, Rebecca Byers, Scott Carlisle, Joe Chamberlain, Kristen Kenst, Dominic Linder, Jessica Weingart; **(1 Year):** Casey Christofaris, Nick Korda

**US Army Scholar Athlete Award-** Dan Willeman, Abigail Hill

**Ohio High School Athletic Association Scholar Athlete-** Matt Palmer, Libby Figley

**Metro Athletic Conference Academic Award- (Girls Basketball):** Jana Stewart; **(Cheerleading):** Maria Nicotera, Melissa Stewart, Jana Stewart, Angela Wirkner; **(Football):** Ricky Odey, Daniel Willeman; **(Volleyball):** Libby Figley, Merry Heineman, Erin Helms, Stacey Ozimek; **(Athletic Trainer):** Casey Fisher, Abby Hill, Samantha Hovanic, Stacey Ozimek; **(Girls Cross Country):** Kathleen Smith; **(Boys Cross Country):** Dan Polshaw, Darrell Walton; **(Girls Tennis):** Megan Vazzo; **(Golf):** Matt Newman, Mike Newman; **(Girls Soccer):** Michelle Hettinga, Abby Hill, Melanie L'Italian, Jana Stewart; **(Baseball):** Matt Palmer, Mike Oesch, Mike McFall; **(Softball):** Libby Figley, Erin

Helms; (Boys/Girls Track): Casey Fisher, Tricia Hughes, Beth McDevitt; (Boys Tennis): Scott Yakubek

**Joyce Rafferty Memorial Scholarship-** Deanne Brown

**Brooks Award- (Freshmen):** Jeremy Sternagle, Katie Welsh, Abi Willeman; **(Sophomore):** Maggie Berthold, Sarah Lederle, Susan Tkatch; **(Junior):** Matthew Bender, Stacy Gardner, Laura Kornbau; **(Senior):** Tracy Drake, Elizabeth Keen, Kathleen Smith; **(Senior Award - \$800):** Tracy Drake

**Jan Deane Creative Writing-** Katie Frank

**Helen Carlton Award-** Maria Nicotera, Abby Bellis

**Sea Scholarship- (Academic):** John Berthold, Matt Newman, Dan Willeman; **(Vocational):** Amanda Woodyard

**Vocational Achievement Awards- (Administrative Secretary):** Melissa Powell; **(Kiwanis):** Daniel Bricker **(Drafting),** Christina Barrett **(Child Care)**

**Fraternal Order Of Police-** Tom Gamble

**Letha Astry (Government Award)-** Jennifer Weingart

**Semper Fidelis Award-** Dawn Bradley, John Berthold

**VFW Achievement & Leadership-** Chris Callisto

**US Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Award-** Wayne Benner

**Yearbook Awards- (Editors):** Crystal Frank, Shelley Miller; **(Asst. Editor):** Annie Crowgey, Scott Beaver; **(Section Editors):**

Danielle Haselow (freshman), Lelia Morgan (junior), Crystal Frank (junior), Sam Hovanic (junior), Crystal Frank (senior); **(Sports):** Sam Hovanic; **(Photography):** Jeff Ruple; **(Ads/Business):** Kyle Markovich; **(Copywriting):** Tracy Drake; **(Computer):** Matt Bender; **(Art):** Susan Tkatch; **(Faculty):** Annie Crowgey, Scott Beaver; **(Top Ad Sales):** Kyle Markovich, Sam Hovanic, Deanna Thomas; **(Activities):** Dana Jenkins; **(Certificates Of Service):** Jessie Agee, Laura Kornbau, Lou Angelo, Sarah Lederle, Maggie Berthold, Jason Lippiatt, Jason Bricker, Melanie L'Italian, Geoff Callahan, Katie Melitschka, Sabrina Christofaris, Mike Middleton, Joe Clutter, Jackie Mong, Jen Dean, Tiffany Mosher, Alicia Dumovic, Connie Morris, Lisa Eckhart, Rosie Ousley, Mindy Girscht, Jan Peters, Doug Graybeal, Angie Rank, Jason Green, Cari Sanchez, Alisha Hall, Melissa Stewart, Erin Helms, Susan Tkatch, CJ Huddleston, Pam Williamson, Mandi Jackson, Abbi Yuhanick, Jackie Jordan, Bob Yuhanick; **(3-Year Members):** Kyle Markovich, Sam Hovanic, Crystal Frank, Shelley Miller

**Yearbook Dedication:** Mr. Robert Viencsek

## The Quaker wins awards

by Mandi Jackson

The Journalism class at Salem High School, along with 28 other schools in the area, recently attended Press Day at Youngstown State University on May 6, 1997. Students attended a variety of informative sessions about broadcast journalism, editing, layout technique, writing, and various other classes. Guest speakers at Press Day included A.C. McCullough and Kelly Stevens from HOT FM 101, Dana Balash, Stan Boney and Len Rome from Channel 33 News, Student Free Press Attorney Mark Goodman, and editors, writers, and reporters from local newspapers. Congratulations to the following students who won awards for their work on *The Quaker*. Editor-in-chief Tracy Drake received 1st place for Sports Story, 2nd place in Advertisement, 3rd place for Feature Story, 3rd place for Personality Profile, and an Honorable Mention in Student Concerns. Sports Editor Megan Zagotti was awarded 3rd place for Sports Story and an Honorable Mention in Layout and Design/Sectional. Shelby Perry, sports reporter for *The Quaker*, received 1st place for Sports Feature and an Honorable Mention for Sports Story. Freshman Dan Williams also received an Honorable Mention for a poem published in *The Quaker*.

## Student Council named

Congratulations to the officers and representatives that were elected to the '97-'98 Student Council.

### Senior Class

**President-** Brad Davis  
**Vice President-** Allison Burtnett  
**Secretary-** Jan Peters  
**Treasurer-** Betsy Wrask  
**Representatives-** Kim Kilgore, Mark Ostarchvic, Courtney Pilch, Abby Stevenson, Casey Ward, Aaron Weir

### Junior Class

**President-** Bo Rottenborn  
**Vice President-** Jennifer Dean  
**Secretary-** Stephanie Godfrey  
**Treasurer-** Hannah Fritzman  
**Representatives-** Brian Bush, Chad Copacia, Stephanie Helms, Angela Rank, Cari Sanchez, Susan Tkatch

### Sophomore Class

**President-** Brandon Hill  
**Vice President-** Jaci Drake  
**Secretary-** Sarah Dillon  
**Treasurer-** Erin McIlvaine  
**Representatives-** Perry Bailey, Greg Davis, Katie Myers, Katie Ventresco, Aileen Vogel, Abi Willeman



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# Senior Wills

by Jennifer Weingart and Angie Carlisle

When children are little they are taught to share. Some do while others do not. It looks as if the Class of 1997 has this idea down to a science. Many members have left some of their most prized possessions to underclassmen or to the school.

*Amy Englert*- I would leave my treasured disk to Beth Sowers. It took me all the way to state! Hope it takes you there too.

*Shelby Perry*- I leave my Basketball locker to Courtney Harshman.

*Matt Newman*- I leave Bo Rottenborn my sanity. He'll need it.

*Katie Frank*- My lunchbox to those boys whose names I don't know because they think I am a freak for carrying it.

*Rick Straub*- I would leave the Aries for my sister Kelly so she could bust some more garage doors and

Lance Bricker a peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

*T.J. Bakondy*- I will my secret yellow pass to Stacey Gardner who just can't seem to be on time.

*Beth McDevitt*- glitter... because they all use so much of it.

*Robin Booth*- I leave my napping time in P.O.D. class to Michelle Hawkins.

*Crystal Frank*- I would leave Kyle Markovich here so he could torment Ryan Hagan.

*Kyle Markovich*- I leave my big mouth so that someone will always speak their mind.

*Crystal McCoy*- I leave Stacy Shuman my great taste in men so she stays away from the jerks.

*Jennifer Weingart*- I will Lindsay Craik lots of Pizza Hut sugar packets so she can be hyper.

*Shelley Miller*- I leave Joe Clutter words of good luck-

(he will need them) and my Mr. Doodlers pen to Lindsay Kosch.

*Brad Silvers*- I won't leave anything, but it was nice of Melissa Shingleton to give me her Tommy shirt.

*Melaine L'Italien*- I'd leave all our senior privileges because there are none.

*Sarah Tomidajewicz*- My locker to the next poor soul who gets it.

*Niki Hippley*- I leave my sister Kelly all my incredible strength and fighting ability to survive all the people who think they are "tuff".

*Dan Polshaw*- I leave the backwall of the Art room (it's tradition).

*Erik Weitz*- I leave Cory Blankenship my ability to make birds out of Fruitopia bottles.

*Casey Fisher*- I'd leave my lunch and a new pair of khaki's to Anne Roberts.

*Tracy Drake*- I will all underclassmen the phone

number to Zip's Driving School.

*Abby Hill*- I leave Brandon (my brother) all my tardies and the ability to party.

*Merry Heineman*- I leave advice to all- graduate early!

*Jana Stewart*- I leave my basketball jersey (#24) to Sam Shasteen because, "I love her more than life itself."

## Class of 1997

**Motto**- "You scratch my back I'll stab yours" and "I'll do it later."

**Flower**- Dandelion

**Song**- "It's So Hard to Say Goodbye to Yesterday" by Boyz 2 Men

\* The following information was taken from Senior Survey Results.



## Warm and Fuzzy and Not-So-Fuzzy Memories

by Jennifer Weingart, Erik Weitz and Angie Carlisle

With the graduation of many seniors, many have been flooded by past memories of high school. Some of those memories are good, some are bad, and some are just plain ugly. No matter what those memories may be, they will be forever etched in the minds of the Class of '97.

*Darren Wolford*- the European Trip

*Dan Polshaw*- laughing uncontrollably in P.O.D. for no reason.

*Crystal McCoy*- The best times were the parties at Jacie Edwards when I met Jimmy.

*Robin Booth*- My favorite memory is Powder Puff football and our choir concerts.

*Lance Gross*- Sitting

through Mr. Viencek's funny classes. It's a new type of English.

*Kyle Markovich*- being awakened at two in the morning because the hotel in Atlanta was on fire.

*T.J. Bakondy*- Mr. Trough's constant portrayal of Goat Boy from Saturday Night Live.

*Erin Galchick*- Mr. Viencek's class. I laughed so many times, my stomach hurt.

*Sarah Tomidajewicz*- On the choir trip to Atlanta — our hotel burned!

*Melaine L'Italien*- Canoeing with TACT

*Jennie Ebinger*- lack of freedom and underclassmen

*Jeremy Humphrey*- getting painted for football games

*Jeremy Mackall*- Senior

Prom

*Katie Frank*- You can't beat the methane gas leak this year!

*Rick Straub*- food fight in the cafeteria during 5C lunch.

*Donnie Wilson*- playing Salem Football.

*Jennifer Weingart*- Giving Mr. Ladner's room a 90-degree adjustment. Least favorite memory: U.S. History.

*Erik Weitz*- Being accosted by Mrs. Wilms for having...gasp...food in the hallway.

*Casey Fisher*- underclassmen. Favorite memory: my lunch table last year.

*Mike Oesch*- our baseball game this year when we came back to beat Mooney.

*Abby Hill*- Least favorite

memory: chemistry tests. Favorite memory: Wood Pecker's Nest and Homecoming.

*Shelley Miller*- My favorite high school memory is Homecoming.

*Tracy Drake*- Everything about high school is memorable - even the bad things because that's just "par for the course" with high school. Least favorite memories: "Bugs," smokey bathrooms, and loitering at my locker

*Jana Stewart*- Saving the goldfish (Elroy) in Advanced Biology with Sam Hovanic.

*Stephanie Beltempo*- Favorite memories: Freshman year at Wood Pecker's Nest, and everything about Senior Year.

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## The final chapter

by Jennifer Weingart

Soon the books will shut and the locker doors will close for the final time. Soon the Class of 97 will leave the halls of SHS like others before them have.

Throughout my years in the Salem Public School System I have had several great teachers. One teacher taught me a valuable lesson that can't be learned from any text book. That lesson is about attitude and the importance of persistence.

The big road of life isn't perfect or easy. Everyone at one point or another will run into some stumbling blocks along the way. How a person handles those problems is important. You can sit back and not do anything. Or you can take positive steps to change the situation.

At some point in life everyone will be involved in something they aren't good at. But with hard work and determination you can improve. There will be times when you want to quit but don't. Sometimes improvement takes a while. Stick with it and you will get better.

Those lessons are my wishes for my fellow classmates. Wherever life leads you may find everything you are looking for. No matter what curve balls get thrown your way, stick with it and go after your dreams. Good luck and Best wishes to the Class of 1997!

### June 1st, 1997

by Tracy L. Drake

*Go forth and place the mortarboards on heads;  
Red or black with tassels the same or bright gold.  
Don't look back now - it's too late - you must look ahead  
For our time here is done and our story's been told.*

*June 1st is a blur of gold, red, and black,  
Go boy girl boy girl, sit emotionally still  
And listen to the top students and try not to laugh,  
And don't think this boring - it's your last high school thrill.*

*A small packet shows for all that we've worked;  
Some "Congrats" and a "Thank You" - Yeehaa! - Feelin' FINE!  
Now say good-bye and good luck, but feel tears as they jerk;  
sing proudly your Alma Mater for the very last time.*

*Oh - is this that "sweet sorrow?" Could this be heaven?  
No, it's the last day of the Class of 1997.*

### Let's dream away

by Connie Morris

Setting goals and dreams are a very important part to a person's life. Having goals allows a person to imagine and look forward to their future. Life takes a lot of hard work and determination to reach your goals. When you really want them to become a part of reality, you need to dedicate yourself to achieving them. When you want something to come true you should never give up it, no matter how long it takes. If you fail the first time, try again and again until you conquer what it is you want. When you do reach your goal or dream you will feel good about yourself and your self esteem will improve.

As another school year comes to an end many seniors make plans, goals and still have those old dreams they want to achieve. Lets take a look at what some of SHS senior's goals are.

*Paula Cross-* Go bungee jumping.

*Ryan Heckert-* Sky dive and throw out the first pitch at an Indians game.

*Abby Hill-* To keep Libby Figley up off Rick Straub.

*Josh Mendez-* To come back and help Eric Davidson win the wrestling state championship.

*Melanie L'Italien-* To leave Salem and never have to come back.

*Shelley Miller-* To live in Phoenix, Arizona and never see Salem again.

*Jeremy Mackall-* To go sky diving

*Matt Newman-* To play in a professional golf tournament, or be President of the United States.

*Kyle Markovich-* To be Vice President under Matt Newman and be a professional bouncer.

*Matt DeBarr-* To be WWF World Wrestling Federation Champion!

*Candi Goehring-* To find the perfect guy and get married.

*Robin Booth-* I want to be an actress and then be really rich so I can do anything I want.

*Melissa Stewart-* My main goal in life is to be happy and successful at whatever I do and whoever I'm with.

*Jennifer Weingart-* To go see the Cincinnati Bengals play in the Super Bowl.

*Crystal Frank-* I would like to travel around the world and see everything there is to see.

*Tracy Drake-* Skydive, travel, marry Michael Hagan, run a successful magazine and be happy.



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### Saying goodbye

by Tracy Drake

We, the members of the Class of Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Seven have come a long way from lunch boxes, tetherball, and crayons. Instead, we now deal with cars, varsity jackets, and term papers. Excuse the cliché, but it seems like only yesterday that I was sitting in my first grade class thinking, "What a big girl I am! I can actually tie my own shoes and I am learning to read!" The other day I walked into one of Salem's elementary schools and the smells and feelings of being a kid all came rushing back to me. I mean, how did we ever sit in those tiny desks?!

I see my younger brother in junior high and I recall when we attended Salem Junior High from 1991-93 - the era of curly, teased hair, I. O. U. Sweatshirts, K-Swiss shoes, puberty, Friday night dances, post-dance walks to McDonald's, and Saturday night parties. The Class of '97 survived the most awkward, tumultuous period of adolescence. The girls laughed at the guys when their voices cracked and the guys thought the coolest thing in the world was snapping the girls' bras. We also tried everything (if you know what I mean) and anything that we knew we could get in trouble for.

High school did not end the chaos, but we began to settle into our groups and personalities. We became the jocks, the nerds, the artists, the writers, the partiers, the drop-outs, and the followers. We found our true friends who would be there for us and we went through all of the petty meaningless, fights and conflicts that goes along with being a teenager.

We studied, partied, worked, and played, and we traveled through the halls of SHS for four years as a class, a group of people who will always be linked together. High school has not always been easy, but as June 1st approaches, we can look back and smile at who we were, what we have done, and what we have become. Hopefully, most of us can appreciate that.

So, as the only way of life we know comes to a close, I wish for all of my classmates exactly what they deserve - be it happiness, success, notoriety, jailtime, or whatever else everybody has coming to them. For the most part, I hope everyone fulfills their dreams, but if not, please do not come back in 10 years and pretend to be someone you are not (like in Romy and Michelle's High School Reunion).

There are two things you have no control over - your family and your class. No matter what we do after June 1st, we will always be a proud alumnus of the Class of 1997. Remember that. I'll see you in 2007.

#### Reminder to Underclassmen:

Final Exams June 5 - periods 5-8

Final Exams June 6 - periods 1-4

### A note of memories and thanks

by Crystal M. Frank

Being a member of the Class of '97 brings about many memories when thinking back about the past. All of the students of our class have a place for each other in one another's hearts. No one can take these years of happiness, attachment, and devotion. They can't take away our satisfaction, romance, emotion, suspicion, and of course, our humor. People have tried and will try again to drag us down, but we always bounce back. We all grew up together. Though there were many new-comers and many who left. They all fit in just the same.

Thanks to everyone who put up with us. You taught us well. We are now in complete control of our futures. Don't worry about us. We are a great group of kids. Our goals are endless and will lead us in the right direction. Thanks again to everyone who has touched our lives in one day or another.

### Senior Citizens party at Prom

by Mandi Jackson

The Interact Club at Salem High School held a Senior Citizens Prom Night on Saturday, May 17, 1997. Over 100 senior citizen couples, along with about 25 Interact members, gathered in the high school cafeteria from 7:00 to 11:00 pm for an Evening of Enchantment. Cookies, cake, punch, and coffee were provided as refreshment. The small ensemble of Matt Newman, Mike Newman, Chad Wilson, Steve Jenkins, and Kyle Markovitch sang "In the Still of the Night" and "Under the Boardwalk." The Jazz Band also provided musical entertainment and a hired D.J. played recent dance music. Interact member Tricia May said about the dancing that night, "It was hard to tell who was wearing who out — us or them!"

Interact hopes to make Senior Citizen Prom Night an annual event. This year, Interact mailed invitations to some of the elders and also distributed flyers in the community. Interact was able to pay for the evening through donations by Rotary and businesses in the community. They also used money in the club fund. Hopefully there will be more student involvement and an even larger senior citizen turn-out next year!

**Congratulations to the Interact Club  
for their active involvement in the community!  
SHS students continue to make a positive impact in Salem.**



# I wear my sole on my feet

by Megan Vazzo

"My momma told me that my shoes would take me anywhere."

Forrest Gump's momma was right about his shoes. His shoes took him to Vietnam, a shrimp boat, and a sprint across the country. He had shared so much of his life with his shoes that they became a part of him.

Shoes are much more than items of clothing condemned to be put on last. We grind their soles into the ground every day and wear them down to the nub. Their tongues are yanked and their eyes get strings pulled through them. They are willing servants that cradle and protect our feet despite the abuse.

We choose shoes much like we choose our friends. They must be kind to us, they cannot be suffocating, and they must share personality traits with us. Just like the way you can tell a lot about someone by their friends, you can tell a lot about a person by looking at their shoes. They reflect values and concepts the wearer holds dearly.

Pride is a very good example of a value held in shoes. Being absent of footwear symbolizes a loss of one's dignity. Sean Penn's character in *Dead Man Walking* pleads for the chance to walk to his death with his shoes on. Being a murderer sentenced to death by lethal injection, he was forced to shuffle to his death wearing paper slippers. The law had stripped away his right to walk with pride wearing shoes.

Shoes are also a symbol of wealth or poverty. Alligator shoes that cost as much as some automobiles represent excessive wealth. Wealth can sometimes be showy or gaudy like shoes. Poor people, on the other hand, are sometimes said to be so poor that their children run barefoot. Their lack of shoes completely reflects society's notions of the faceless, nameless, poverty. The stigma of a bag lady forced into wearing men's shoes shows the displacement of the woman out of a proper environment. She is technically no longer a part of productive society, therefore the gender traditions no longer have any significance to her.

Sympathy and compassion are two of life's important virtues held in a shoe quote. "Don't abuse, criticize or accuse until you've walked a mile in their shoes."

Shoes can also be a passion in and among themselves. Emelda Marcos is famous the world over for her extensive and excessive collection of footwear. Who can blame her? A pair of shoes can make or break an entire outfit. They can ruin an entire day by squishing a few small toes. Shoes enable us to walk strong, stand tall, or run away.

Like Forrest Gump we can measure our lives by the shoes we wear. We are born barefoot, run through our childhood in sneakers decorated with cartoon characters on them, and graduate to Doc Martens and penny loafers.

If you still think that shoes are insignificant in your life, remember that your shoes will probably be the only things that ever kiss the ground you walk on.

## Cures for summer boredom

by Tom Cosma

Those wonderful, bright, summer days that everyone looks forward to are coming up once again, and everyone seems excited, but not many are really prepared for them. Of course, most people have a small vacation or at least a day or two of their summer planned out, but most people are not really ready with enough exciting things to keep them busy all summer. Most students are brimming with excitement about the summer that is just around the corner, but when it actually gets here, most will end up sitting around and staring at a television or wall while complaining about having nothing to do.

If this sounds like a familiar situation you see year after year, start planning cures for your summer boredom before it even arises. Start planning now with a daily summer schedule much like the ones you follow every day in school, but filled with fun, wonderful, productive things that you actually want to do instead of the school classes you're totally sick of. Make sure you plan for a whole lot of fun on a daily basis so you can enjoy the summers you have left before getting a full time job.

Plan to do a wide variety of things over the summer. Instead of just doing the same things you do every other summer, try new things you aren't used to doing. If you're someone who likes playing sports a lot, try reading a good book or two. If you constantly find yourself becoming a vegetable in front of the television or computer screen, be sure to get plenty of fresh air and activity this summer. If you ever find yourself babbling on the phone

for hours with a friend or romantic interest that lives just across town, walk to their house. Talking in person is much more fulfilling than a phone conversation, and this way you can go out and have lots of fun at the same time. If you've ever caught yourself eating basically nothing but pizza and French fries, the summer would be a good time to get more daring with your eating habits. Try Spanish food, Japanese food, and lots of odd combinations of food. Try substituting fruit juice for milk in cereal, putting chocolate chips in a bagel, or turning a hot dog into a pizza on a bun. This summer would also be a good time to start following your New Year's resolution to try vegetarianism or veganism.

Just because it's summer doesn't mean it's time for you to stop learning. That doesn't mean you should try to pilfer an Algebra II book to get a head start, just go to the library and select a few things that interest you. If you're a big baseball fanatic, read a biography on Jackie Robinson. If you are a music lover, read a book about the origin of your favorite type of music, then go to a record store and find out what some of that old music sounded like. If you have any kind of hobby, like drawing, painting, or sewing, try to find some new techniques. If you do not have a hobby, this summer would be a good time to start one.

Never let an excuse like boredom stop you from having fun this summer. There's always something to do somewhere, just don't be afraid to try something new.

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# Searching for your future

by Mandi Jackson

With college mail pouring in and ACT scores arriving, the juniors and sophomores at Salem High School are preparing to make one of the biggest decisions of their lives - where they will receive their college education. The entire process of deciding which college to attend is very overwhelming. Perhaps because it is virtually a new concept. A few decades ago, many people either didn't have the opportunity or the desire to go to college. However, today attending college is less of a privilege and more of a necessity. If you haven't started your college searching yet or just aren't sure how to begin, here is a timeline to follow.

### **Junior Year**

*October - June*

- \* Visit college campuses and talk to faculty, graduates, and students about their college experiences.
- \* Discuss your plans with your parents and school counselor.
- \* Check out catalogs and videos in the Salem High School Library.

- \* Use the OCIS computer program (provides a career search, college search, and financial aid scholarship search) in the Computer Lab. You can also download information about a college from the Netscape program on the Internet (if you have permission from a teacher).

*February - June*

- \* Register to take the SAT and/or ACT.

*Late Summer*

- \* Write to colleges for application forms and financial aid forms.

### **Senior Year**

*September - December*

- \* Fill out college admissions applications and financial aid forms. Also, have your counselor send your transcripts to those colleges which you want to attend.

*January - February*

- \* Have your counselor send a copy of your seventh semester grades if needed. You should also have filled out and mailed in financial aid applications by this time.

*March - June*

- \* You should be receiving acceptance/rejection letters

from colleges and scholarships and aid.

*April*

- \* Fill out local Salem Scholarship applications.

*May*

- \* Have your counselor mail your final transcript (final grades and proof of graduation) to the college you have selected.

A college education is very valuable. However, the money needed for college tuition is almost impossible for parents to pay entirely out of their pocket, especially if they have more than one child attending college. But, students have other options that could help them pay for a college education. Financial aid comes in the form of scholarships, grants, and loans. A student could also be involved in a work-study program. The most important thing to remember is to apply as early as possible for financial aid. The earlier you apply, the more money you will receive.

These are just the basic items to prepare for college. However, there are many other things to consider when you are finally

ready to make a decision. How far away from home do you want to go to college? (Remember, out-of-state tuition is much more costly than in-state.) Always visit the college before you decide to attend no matter how far away it may be. Is the college near a major city or in the country? Do you want to live on campus or commute? If you are staying in a dorm, would you be comfortable living on the campus? Is the campus safe and does it have campus security police? And, don't forget to try the cafeteria food. You will be eating there for the next four years.

College will be a wonderful experience if you make the correct decisions. And remember, even if you are not happy at the college you choose, you always have the opportunity to transfer. Doing what is right for you will prove to be your greatest ally for the future.

*\*Information for this article was obtained from the SHS College Admissions Handbook. If you would like further information, see your counselor.*



## 1996-1997 Sports summary

### Boys Varsity Soccer 1996

Record- Wins 7 Losses 7 Ties 2

Captains- Andy Smith and Nick Ewing

Highlights- Canfield game that was tied 1-1 at the end of regulation and Canfield won during the shootout. Phil Simon beat a school record having 4 goals during the sectional match against West Branch.

Key Players- Defensively- goalie Jason Fennema, Andy Smith, Lance Bricker, and Nick Ewing. Offensively- Phil Simon, Luke Simon, and Brian Bailey.

### Girls Varsity Volleyball 1996

Record- Wins 16 Losses 8 Ties 0

Captains- Merry Heineman and Erin Helms

Highlights- The Varsity team won against Youngstown Cardinal Mooney and Youngstown Rayen in sectionals and were defeated in the district semifinals against Hubbard. They were number one in the MAC.

Key players- Merry Heineman, Sarah Sommers, Stacey Ozimek, Robyn Wright, Kelly Paxson, Libby Figley and Casey Ward.

### Girls Varsity Soccer 1996

Record- Wins 7 Losses 6 Ties 4

Captains- Abby Hill, Sarah Fennema, Jana Stewart

Highlights- Senior goalie Sarah Fennema finished her high school career with 340 saves and 18 shut outs. The Lady Quakers defeated Niles twice, Marlington, Howland, Boardman, Girard and Ursuline.

Key Players- Abby Hill- offensive, Melanie L'Italien, Sarah Fennema, and Jana Stewart- defensive

### Girls Varsity Basketball 1996-97

Record- Wins 18 Losses 4 Ties 0

Captains- Jana Stewart, Sarah Fennema and Shelby Perry

Highlights- The December 11 game against Canfield where Amy Englert made the final basket for the Lady Quakers, winning the game 39-38. They also won the MAC.

Key Players- Shelby Perry, Jana Stewart Kelly Paxson, Amy Englert, and Sarah Sommers.

### Girls Cross Country 1996

Record- Wins 24 Losses 1

Captains- Deanne Brown, Katie Smith, Jen Weingart

Highlights- Came in second in Division II district meet, second in Division II regional meet. Eight girls competed in the State track meet.

Key Runners- Kristen Marroulis, Mary Bauman, Jill Bestic, Sandy Sauerbrey, Angie Rank, Kristen Kenst, and Sarah Loudon.

### Boys Varsity Basketball 1996-97

Record- Wins 10 Losses 11 Ties 0

Highlights- The last game was symbolic of the whole season. They were down at halftime but always came back to either win or come close to winning. They beat West Branch 78-64. The Quakers had a total of 1257 points on the season.

Key Players- Rick Straub, Jason Rice, Casey Rhodes, Casey Crawford, Jason Fennema and Matt O'Brian.

### Boys Cross Country 1996

Record- Wins 33 Losses 1

Captains- Darrel Walton, Dan Polshaw

Highlights- County Champs, MAC champs, came in sixth place in the Division I track meet

Key Runners- Phil Knipp, Eric Hodgson, Jason Moser, Greg Zeigler, Nick Peters, Brian Rea, Darrel Walton, and Dan Polshaw.

### Girls Varsity Tennis 1996

Record- Wins 5 Losses 12 Ties 0

Captain- Megan Vazzo

Key Players- Megan Vazzo, Regan Thompson

### Varsity Wrestling 1996-97

Record- 3-4

Captains- Nick Bourne, Josh Mendez, Jack Pasco, Wayne Benner.

Highlights- Nick Bourne and Brian Rea qualified for the district meet at Akron Firestone High School. Nick Bourne finished in sixth place and was 30 seconds from qualifying for the state meet in Dayton.

Key Wrestlers- Nick Bourne, Josh Mendez, Wayne Benner, Jack Pasco, Brian Rea, Eric Davidson, Keith Menough.

### Boys Varsity Football 1996

Record- Wins 3 Losses 7 Ties 0

Captains- Scott Close, Don Wilson, Josh Melitschka

Highlights- 29-6 win against Marlington, 42-6 win against Canton Timkin, 13-12 win against Struthers.

Key Players- Scott Close, Eric Davis, Ryan Fritz, Josh Melitschka, Mike Middleton, Louis Angelo

## Class of 1997

### Several qualify for Division I track regionals

The Salem girls track team finished 4th, and several members from both the boys and girls track teams qualified for the division I regional track meet to be held this afternoon and Saturday at Austintown High School.

Salem athletes participating in the regionals include Mike Zornick (shot put), Trevor Goerig (long jump), Amy Englert (shot and discus), Angie Rank (3200 meter run), Mary Bauman (1600 meter run), Sarah Loudon (400 meters), Kristen Kenst (800 meters), and the girls 4 X 800 relay team.

In other action, the Quakers finished strong during the MAC championships at Poland High School. While Amy Englert won the girls MVP award for the meet, the Quaker boys won two events and the league title. Englert went 109 feet 1 inch on her best attempt, eight feet better than second place to capture the district title. Earlier, Englert won her second straight MAC shot put title equaling her own meet record of 33 feet 11 1/2 inches set last year. The Salem girls finished second overall with 102 points. Canfield beat them with 135 points. Englert, who qualified for state last year in the discus, won the field events MVP after having two first place finishes.

The Salem boys received first place, scoring 129.5. They beat second place Niles, who had 85 points. After five events Salem boys were in third place. By the time the meet was over everybody knew Salem was the MAC's top team. Phil Knipp won first place in the 400 with the time of 51.8. Trevor Goerig won the long jump with a 19-4 1/4 jump. These two were the only Quakers to win first place.

The Lady Quakers got wins from Angie Rank (3200), and in the 400 (Ann Roberts, Mel L'Italien, Kim Kilgore, and Courtney Harshman). They won the 3200 with the team that included Mary Bauman, Angie Rank, Sarah Loudon, and Kristen Kenst. Rank finished the 3200 in 12:29.1, while the 400 relay team recorded a 52.7. The 3200 team had a time of 10:06.2, a new MAC record.

### Tennis team completes County Cup tournament

East Liverpool took first but Salem showed pride in taking second, tying with United Local. Salem was the only team to score in all five areas of play. In the first singles Scott Yakubek competed and won 6-4, 6-4. Nick Sweteye took third place in the number two singles with scores of 6-1 and 6-2. Bo Rottenborn won second place in number three singles with wins of 6-3 and 6-4. In doubles Bob Woolman and Kevin Bush took third place with 6-2 and 6-3 wins.

### Lady Quakers win district softball title

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was the word Headland used to moment when the varsity softball claimed the Divi-title last Thursday with a 6-5 win against Boardman. This was the first for the Lady Quaker softball program. The keys, according to Headland, have been good pitching and defense. "We've only been behind in two innings during the tournament," explained Headland.

"Exciting" coach Paul describe the Lady Quaker t e a m sion I district

The Quakers have wins over Youngstown Chaney (12-5), Austntown Fitch (4-1), Berea Midpark (6-1), and Boardman. Shannon Leningar has been the winning pitcher in all four tournament games.

The win was significant enough that a police escort led the Quakers back into town last Thursday evening.

This afternoon at 4:30 at the University of Akron, the Quakers play traditional softball power Akron Ellet (24-2). The Quaker will go into the regional semi-final game with an 11-10 record.

### Baseball season ends with tournament play

In tournament action Salem defeated Ravenna 3-2 in their sectional game. They moved next to play Crestwood on Monday May 19 and lost 4-1 in their sectional final to complete their tournament.

With the regular season coming to an end the Quakers still had . The Quakers finished their game against Struthers 3-2 on Wednesday May 21. This was completed after being called in the second inning for rain delay. Their record stood at 13-10, 5-6 in the MAC.

Coach Kirkland said, "The biggest problem with playing tournaments and regular season at the same time is deciding if you want to win the league or tournaments. The most difficult decision comes along to the pitching staff. They have to decide if they want to use the best pitchers to play in tournament games or regular season games."

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