



like a road trip back in time...only not really Senior Reflections



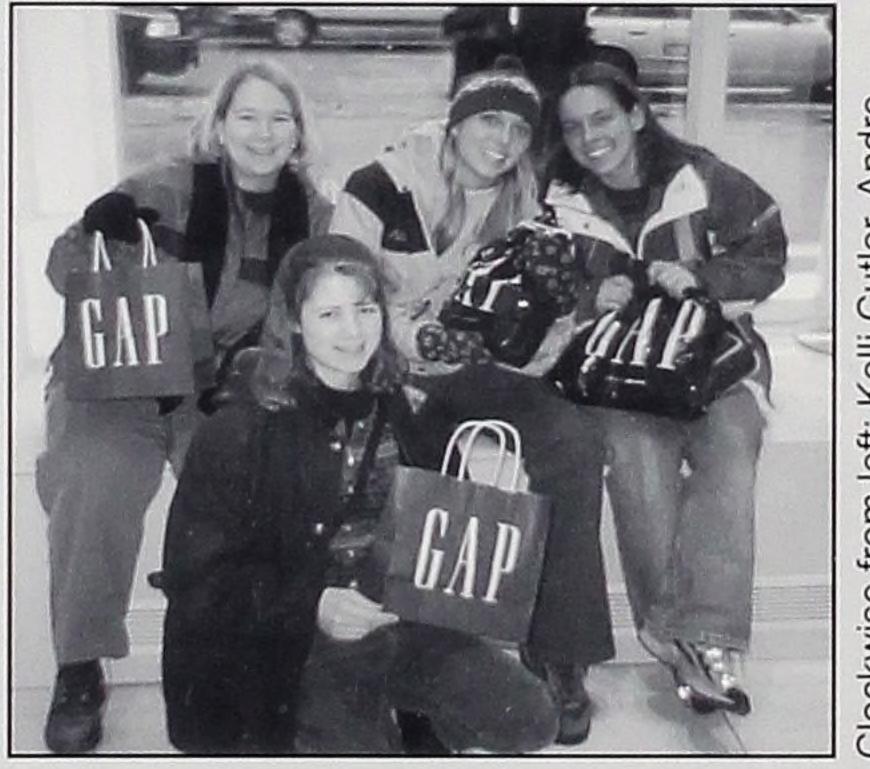
Emily Porter, Rachel Pike and Kristie Kreh

I have so many great memories. One was when a group of us Sophomore year went to the pool and swam in our clothes! A second good memory was when Rachel, Caitlin and I made a sign to get dates for homecoming and it worked! But I'm most thankful for all the people I've met here at SAU!

- Emily Porter

During an RA trip to a conference, we spent an afternoon in Chicago shopping on the Magnificant Mile. It was the ASCD Regional Conference at Trinity Christian College in Palos Heights, IL. It was lots of fun in Chicago!

- Andrea Walrath



Clockwise from left: Kell TenHoeve, Tara Marsh,

Clockwise from left: Joel Salsburey, Scott Anderson, Clark Haase, Chad Craig, Jeremy Scott, and Joel Maust

t has been an awesome four years with these guys. By the end of our freshman year, we were hanging out all the time and had formed an accountability group.

Joel Maust



Emily Starke and Tim Davis



Rich Carpenter, Jen Houston and Emily

L remember: getting yelled at every night for being too loud, love nuts, Olive Garden eyes, first kisses, afternoon naps, letting Joel Maust watch my fish over spring break and finding out that he left them in Ormston instead of taking them home, watching the apartment parking lot with Andrew Gallagher, sneaking those lonely stray cats into my room, praying in the Logos, tons of movies, Lime Lake, slurpee runs, Meijer, Frosty Boy, taking pictures, and getting smart without knowing it!

-Emily Starke

Lean't believe I walked in here almost four years ago and that I am leaving this wonderful place. God has shown me so many things here. I met the people I want to know for the

rest of my life. I learned to love the Lord fully with all my heart, soul, mind and strength. I hope and pray that our senior class continues to grow in their walks with our Lord and submit their lives for His will to be done. God bless all of your endeavors!

-Kat Brennan



Nicki Keen, Charis Kendall, Jen Fraker and Kat Brennan



Tina Cowie and Sarah Campbell

W e dressed up as Metallica groupies for Arbor Games. This was for the Village, and it was kinda fun to go in this different look! Villages A, B and C were all on the same team. We took third place, which I think is good for the first time representing in the games.

-Tina Cowie

ne night me and Laura Foudy went for slurpees. On the way home, we hit up the dumpster for some chips. We had just turned down the street when a cop pulled us over. We didn't know what to say and when he came up to the car, he asked Laura if we had been drinking. Laura responded "Only slurpees!" and giggled. I'm surprised we didn't get arrested. So, we abandoned the mission.

-Sherry Owens



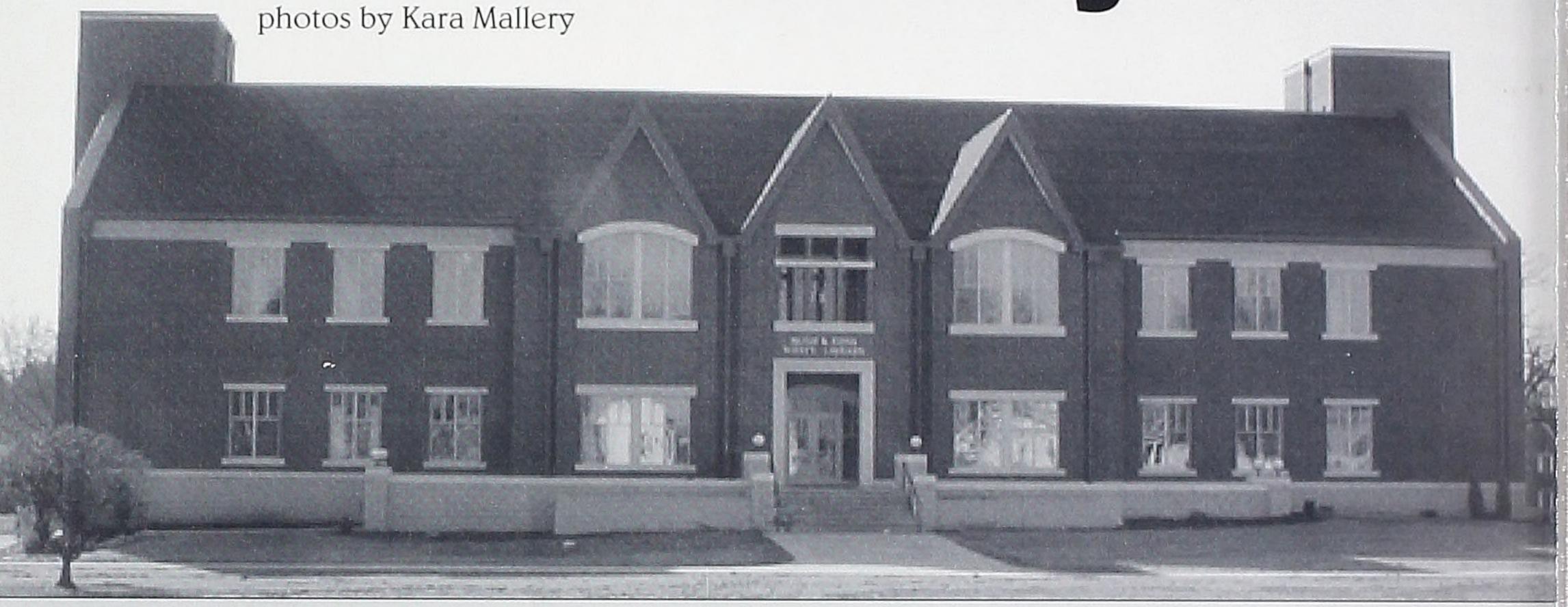
Top (I to r): Sherry Owens, Nicki Keen, Middle (I to r): Megan Bolton, Margaret Davidson, Audrey Claybaugh, Melissa Kovacs, Bottom (I to r): Chenoa Phillips and Laura Foudy



 $M_{\rm egan}$ and I met freshman year. We never thought that we would end up together. However, junior year showed us that God had other plans. Now, I can't imagine anyone better to spend my life with. On May 18, 2002, we become husband and wife.

-Andy Fetter

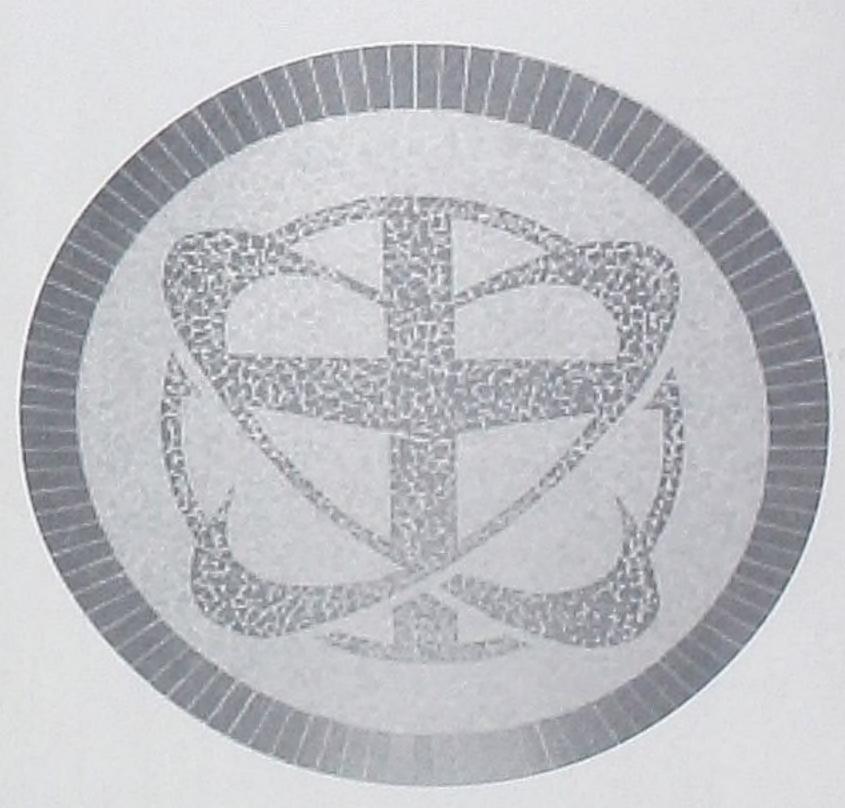
and finally...
The new library



Spring Arbor University's new Hugh A. and Edna C. White Library officially opened its doors on January 7. The new library has the potential to house over 200,000 books. It currently houses sixty computers, seven group study rooms, a home theater for students, a workroom for teacher education students, and seven office areas for the library staff—plus Starbucks coffee. The drastic improvement over the old library has been a welcome change on campus.



Computers for student and public use on the main floor



SAU logo in tile in the main entryway



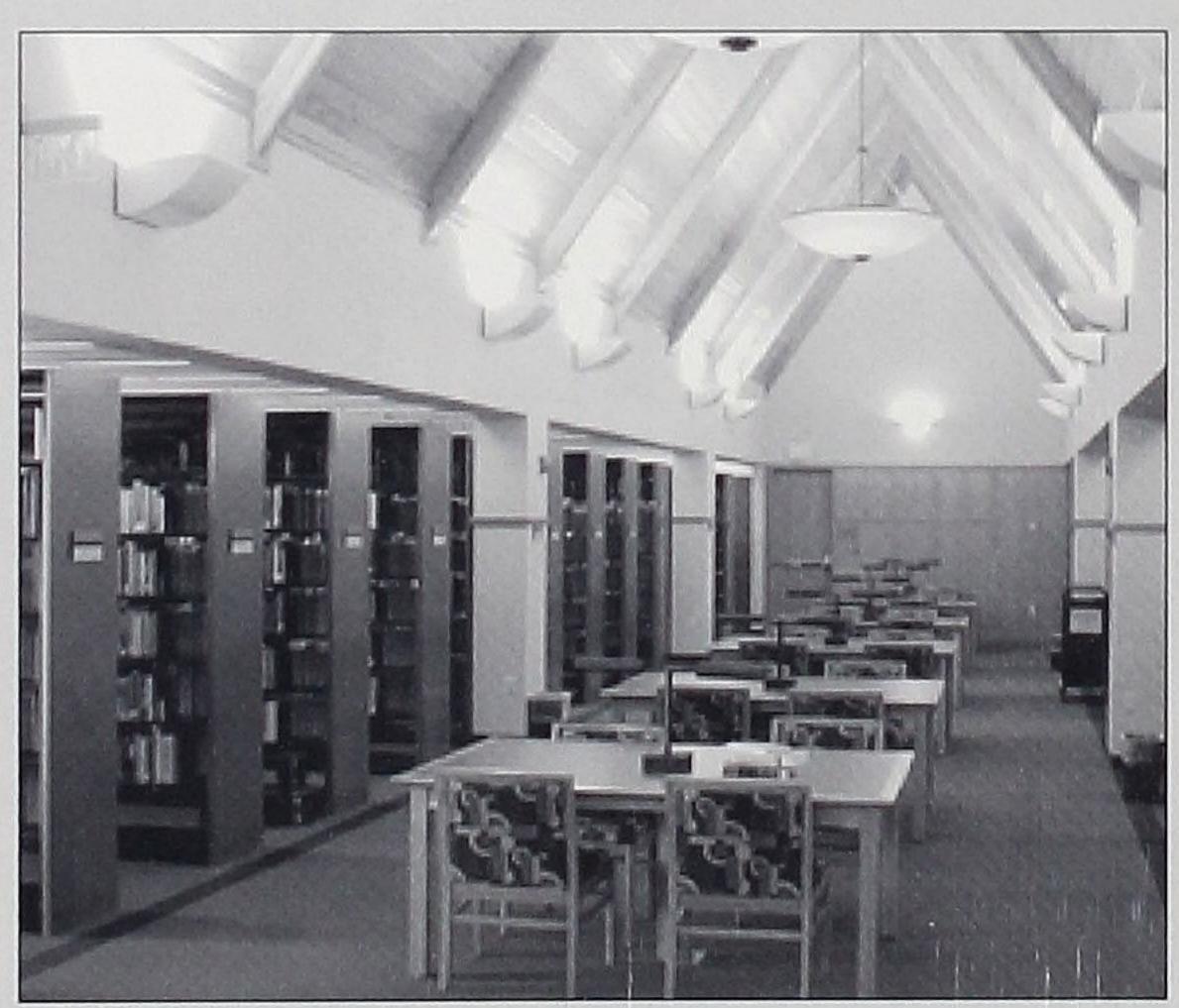
The middle peak from the inside



A closer shot of the front three peaks



Above: one of the lights on the outside stairs Right: one of the upstairs quiet study areas



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"Be not rash with your mouth, nor let your heart be hasty to utter a word before God...

Student Poetry

Bottle Caps by Melissa Engard

I'm once again in the place where I desperately need You. I don't remember how I got here because I don't recall leaving.

I am a curious little girl
walking with You, hand-in-hand,
down a crowded sidewalk.
I see a pretty bottle cap
glittering in the sunlight
and I let go of your hand—
just for a moment—
to play with it.

When I reach up, your hand isn't where I left it.

I panic and cry, thinking
I will be lost to You forever.
I don't notice You there,
leaning against a building
watching me play, waiting.

Then through my noisy tears, I hear you call to me.
You reach out your hand and I take it.

Red plus White & Yellow

by Kara Mallery

It's my pink blood on the white floor in their yellow bathroom

Red red red diluted surreal by water

It's the nightmares rolling toward me and the way there is no escape

from this ordinary self or from the ideal banging on the bathroom door (hurry up!)

And my pink blood on the white floor screams at me that I am just like everyone else. There is no one else like me.

Who Am I? by Emily Starke

I am not a cowgirl.
I am not a Scot.
I am not a golfer chick.
I am trying to be something I am not.

I am a college girl, with a fickle heart, who thinks she is who she actually is not.

Love in the absence of color by Sherry Owens

Love in the absence of color
Deep in your black sky
You ask if the contrast is off
Only in the space between us

If only I could respond
The lack would drain
And a world once empty
Filled

The Words of Painting by Cami TenCate

Her eyes, gleaming paint on paper, tell me nothing yet I search.

She's being secretive.

Somewhere in her silent plea, there's a warning.

What is she saying?

Her mouth smiles or frowns, not quite describing what she silently says.

Her hands say stop, but gently pull me forward.

It's amazing what can be seen by holding it nearer to the heart than the eye.

One Beautiful Thing by Kara Mallery

This warm winter
a shopping cart sits
lone & metallic
right outside the window.

Apple juice gold light burrows into the icicles and they drip water like nectar

off the handle of the cart in the ridiculous January sun.

Rain by Melissa Engard

"I sat here with him once," she told me wistfully.
"We talked a long time about this and that and not much else."

"Is that why you're here, sitting in the rain?"

She curled her rosy lips into an empty smile.

"No. I just like the rain."

Like Haze and Sand Dunes by Kara Mallery

Like haze and sand dunes down comes a dream through a warp in your chilled fingertips.

> A rainy day on an imaginary beach. Maybe Maine.

You sniffle and suddenly we're just standing here, you smoking me freezing, too.

The haze was just from your cigarette.
The sand dunes, mounds of dirty salt for friction in the street.

And the real dream was that you touched me.

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Everyone hates a hollow ending By Sherry Owens

Everyone hates a hollow ending Hate happens to feel so much like empty
I think I watch too much to call myself a player
Too much a spectator to step on the stage

I wish this wood and curtain made home
But I feel too much more embraced in this metal cushioned chair than before your faces

We are all actors
Some of us just
know their motivation

Me by Emily Starke

Some people are athletes, best at the game they play. Some people choose music to light their way. Many people dance or act to bring fame close by.

As for me, I give myself.

I don't excel at sports and such, or sing my way through life.
Acting's not my cup of tea.

My gift is allowing myself to be me!

... for God is in heaven, and you upon earth; so let your words be few." Ecclesiastes 5:2 a closer look at ...

The Echo editor

Story and photos by Jessie Thomas

British rock bands and copy editing. They go together like peanut butter and jelly. Or not. Even so, both are important to Echo editor Kara Mallery. A senior at SAU, Kara is in her second semester as yearbook editor. And about the British rock bands, "I adore them," she said.

Kara grew up in Ann Arbor with her parents and younger sister Kelly. "My parents are cool," Kara said. Her dad works



at the University of Michigan as a plumber. Kara's mom worked at a greenhouse and is now a homemaker. Kelly works at the Hot Topic clothing store in Ann Arbor.

Attending Catholic schools through elementary, junior high and high school, Kara was involved in junior theatre and drama club. Although no longer interested in acting, Kara enjoys going to the Shakespeare Festival in Stratford, Ontario every spring.

Kara spent two years at Washtenaw Community College in Ann Arbor, covering many of her general education requirements. She considered transferring to the University of Michigan but wanted to go to a smaller school farther from home. Kara had a friend and other acquaintances at SAU, received some scholarships and financial aid, and decided, "That'll do."

Kara has many interests that often detract her attention from school. An avid movie watcher, Kara kept a log of the movies she viewed between May 2001 and the end of January 2002. Not including the movies she saw more than once, she watched 98 films. "The guy at the Hollywood Video down the road [from her home] knows my name," she said.

When she was 15 years old, Kara first heard Jeff Buckley. "It really changed how I thought and felt about music," she said. Kara likes going to concerts, particularly to see British rock bands. She recently saw Starsailor, who she adores. Kara also enjoys Travis, David Gray, and Ryan Adams, who she stressed is not British and is Ryan, not Bryan Adams.

Kara loves poetry as well. Although she mostly writes, Kara likes reading John Keats, Lord Tennyson, Theodore Roethke and Jim Morrison.

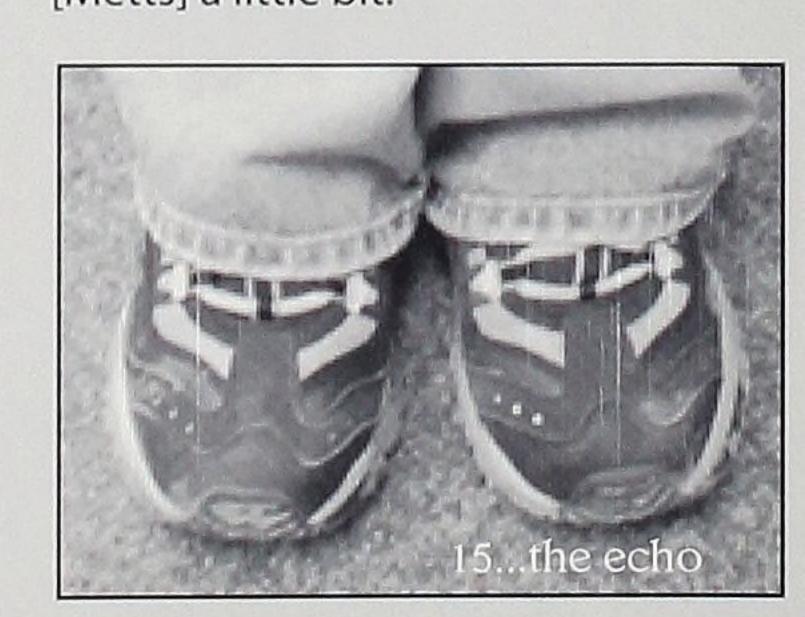
Kara's collage making talent is portrayed on a notebook she covered with pictures of David Gray, Jude Law, Bob Dylan, a picture of her dad as a kid, and other men she deems important. On the inside of her notebook



Kara has an autograph from Elijah Wood that reads, "Kara, much love, Elijah Wood." Kara met Wood at a Radiohead concert in Los Angeles at the Hollywood Bowl.

Although busy, Kara published two Echos this school year. Because she is graduating, the spring edition is her last. Kara agreed to be Echo editor to prepare for her future job and to have something to show future employers. "I really like having the finished Echo from last [semester], despite the problems with it and not being able to please everybody," she said.

After graduation, Kara plans to move home and look for a job in Ann Arbor, possibly at the Ann Arbor Observer. She would like to be an editor and also pursue publishing some of her poetry. In the meantime she will continue working her current job at Borders bookstore. Although Kara is excited to leave SAU and move on with her life, she did admit, "I'll probably miss Wally [Metts] a little bit."



A look inside this year's... Sports

Men's Cross Country

Head Coach - Bill Bippes Assistant Coach - Mark Cole



Will Reinbolt
David Youngman
EJ Green
Jarren Pierson
Noah Kamper
Steve Allison

Women's Cross Country

Head Coach - Bill Bippes Assistant Coach - Mark Cole



Alexis Smith
Anna Augustine
Bethany Harpst
Darby Cornelius
Heidi Bock
Iris Slater
Meg Peters
Melanie Batey
Michelle Klein
Rachelle Miller
Rebecca Dennison

Volleyball

Head Coach - Vince Beresford Assistant Coaches - Kim Turbin, Carol Gates and Shannon Scholte

Amanda Hills
Amber Carlson
Andre TenHoeve
Angela Grostick
Betsy Buter
Betsy Kintigh
Brandy Stalhood
Emily Childs
Heather Sines
Jennifer Herremans
Julie Maier
Sarah Glass

Women's Basketball

Head Coach - Tom Britsch Assistant Coach - Darren Hejnal



Amanda Shirk
Erin Cox
Jaclyn Burkeen
Julie Spencer
Kelly Burkardt
Kristin VanValin
Megan Vore
Michelle Robson
Portia Reilly
Shanna DuBose
Mandy Salisbury
Sarah Heth

Men's Basketball

Head Coach - Ryan Cottingham Assistant Coach - Lee Ingles Student Assistant - Eric Rose Team Chaplain - Doug Blume



Ben Gulker
DJ Heseleschwerdt
Jason Khon
Jeff Storrs
Josh Hain
Matt Magee
Rob Vischer
Ryan Carroll

Derick Ward Greg Johns Jeff Smith Jesse Whintly Kito Smith Rob Salisbury Ryan Budd Ryan Walter

Women's Soccer

Head Coach - Jason Crist Assistant Coach - Ben Asbury



Abby Todd Amy Douglass Angela Gramazio Heather Ireland Jana McGee Jen Petrone Jessica Thomas Katie Philo Kellie Jackson Kristi Barner Lindsey Grissom Lyndsay Clevenger Mandy Earley Megan Medina Melissa De∀ries Randi Siedzik Sarah Winia

Track and Field

Head Coach - Bill Bippes Assistant Coaches - Mark Cole, Vince Beresford, Nate Harbottle and Mike Kessterson

Steve Allison Charles Cobb EJ Green LD Jackson Noah Kamper Benjamin Mainka Chris Phillips Jarren Pierson Tyler Quillet Luke Ross BJ Walters Jeffrey Wiederhold Chad Wolschlager David Rotich Jesse Whintly David Youngman Jason Khon Rob Salisbury

Anna Augustine Heidi Bock Jacki Boss Krista Carpenter Darby Cornelius Rebecca Dennison Bethany Harpst Michelle Klein Meg Peters Iris Slater Alexis Smith Brandy Stalhood Amber Woolsey Sarah Armer Mandy Salisbury Shanna DuBose Jen Mainka Natalie Kendall

Baseball

Head Coach - Hank Burbridge Assistant Coach - Charles Solaita



Aaron Morrow
Bobby Humphrey
Cory Parrot
Jamie West
Jordan Gruppen
Matt Souster
Nic Johnston
Russ Gaston
Seth Coffing

Andy Kline
Brad Burlew
Duke Solaita
Jason O'Neal
Justin Hahaj
Micah Myers
Ronald Peau
Russ Kimball
Tom Compian

Men's Soccer

Head Coach - Anil Joseph Assistant Coach - Tom Cliff



Adam Hallett Andrew Barchus Andrew Dickson Andy Gibson Cameron Klump Chris Hien Clark Hasse Greg Elford Horia Neagos Jared Flick Joe Kacprzyk Jonathon Dilanni Kendon Smith Kyle Johnson Kyle Niekowal LeBeni Buchonyori Mike Decker Peter Boyse Robert Wheeler Ryan Mckenney Sean Kerwin Westen Selent

Golf

Wil Cronkright

Head Coach - Bill Bockwitz



Dan Page Garron Garn Jeff Boss Lance Schnitkey Preston Meeder Rob Shaw Roy Adair Travis Uphaus

Men's Tennis

Head Coach - Terry Darling Assistant Coach - Todd Dobben

Scott Anderson
Diego Borgues
Josh Britton
Jared Flick
Ben Keaster
Dave Lassanske
Horia Neagos
Don Tippie

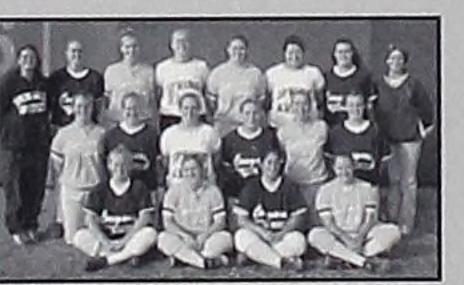
Women's Tennis

Head Coach - Peggy Calderone

Rebecca Boger
Rachel Hartwig
Sarah LaVoy
Cassandra Packer
Crystal Steckel
Jennifer Walter
Jamie Wessels
Sarah Winia
Angie Kishpaugh
Julie Maier

Softball

Head Coach- Deb Thompson Manager- Crystal Moore



Cindy Shaw
Sarah Cooper
Kristi Schipper
Marcie Johnson
Jessica Mancini
Kayla Stevens
Michelle VanBuren
Erin Kershaw
Michelle Herblet
Amanda Kershaw
Doris Matuiu
Holly Davidson
Leah Woldyk
Jenni McDonald
Shawna Gautreau

success at SAU...

More Sports

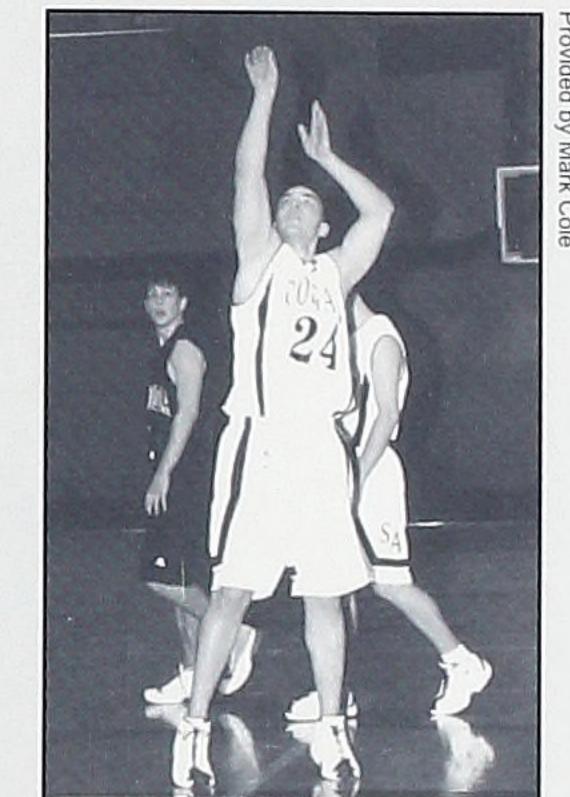
stories by Joel Maust

Men's basketball

Success can come in a variety of forms. Head Coach Ryan Cottingham has been restructuring the team over the past few seasons and they reaped the rewards this year.

The team started off hot with a 13-5 record that included a big win over NCAA Division II team Saginaw Valley State University. Though they cooled

off in the second half of the season, the Cougars still held on to a win-



Sophomore Ryan Walter

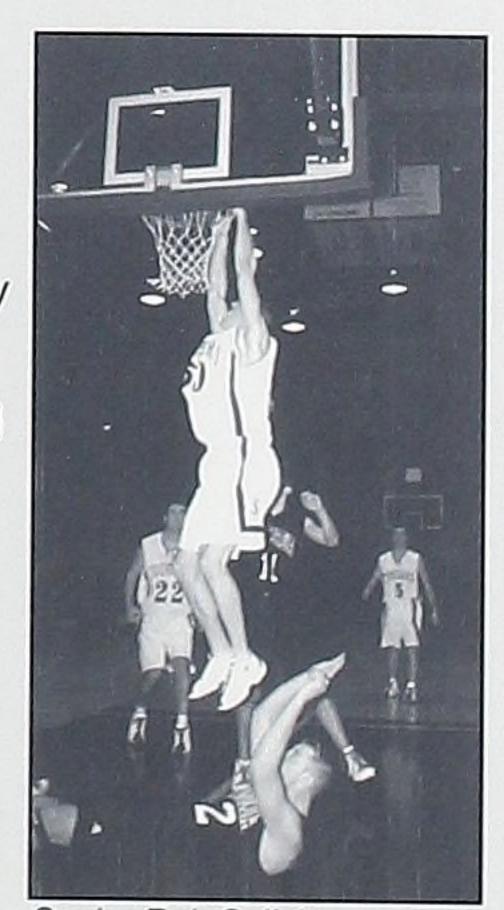
ning record at 19-17. Cottingham was very pleased with his team's effort throughout the season."[They] exhibited a tremendous amount of heart

and determination," said Cottingham. It was especially rewarding for Cottingham to see his team "learn how to win."

Senior Rob Salisbury had a tremendous season which included Honorable Mention,

a NAIA All-American All-Conference 2nd

Team, NCCAA All-Region 1st Team, 2-time WHAC Player of the Week, and team MVP honors. Three times he pulled the Cougars from behind to victory with buzzer-beater three-point shots.



Senior Rob Salisbury

Women's Soccer

For the women's soccer team, success came in the form of a trip to Orlando, Florida. For the first time in school history, SAU sent their Lady Cougar soccer team to the NCCAA national tournament.

After earning a number one seed in the NCCAA Midwest regional by defeating St. Xavier University and finishing with a 9-7 record, the women faced Cedarville University. Cedarville had defeated Grace College to earn their place against Spring Arbor. But it was all for naught—our Lady Cougars soundly beat Cedarville, 2-0.

In Florida, the competition was much stiffer. The women fell twice and were knocked out of the tournament. But nonetheless, they still made history. They hope to return and fare better next year with what they have learned.

Volleyball

To this year's women's volleyball team, success came in the form of a nearly .500 record and the first competitive season in a number of years. Led by new head coach Vince Beresford and returning assistant Shannon Scholton, the Lady Cougars regained respect among WHAC foes.

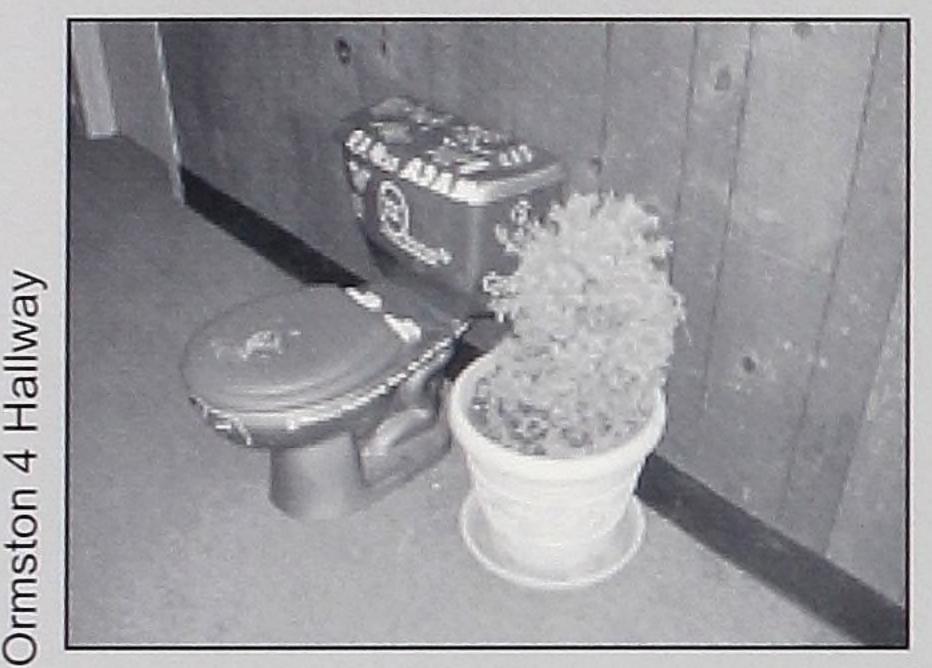
Senior Andre TenHoeve credits Beresford's coaching abilities as the primary reason for the volleyball program's turn-around.

TenHoeve has competed for the Lady Cougars the past four seasons and could tell a difference in the mind-set, attitude and focus of this year's team. "We had a few new players this season, but for the most part we had the same line-up," TenHoeve says. "Vince brought a new spiritual vision to the team."

Along with his coaching responsibilities, Beresford is an assistant professor of religion and will serve as the executive director for the Youth and Family Institute.

a look a little too deep inside...

the guys' dorms



They say guys are less private. But isn't this a little extreme?

The RA of Beta 3 sure knows how to throw a party!



Erik Smith in a friend's room on Ormston 4

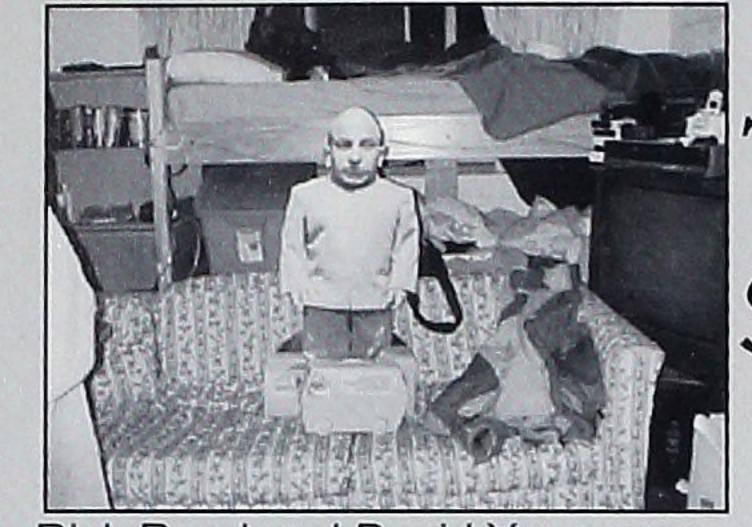


The amazing floating couch.

When was the last time those beds were made?



Senior Jesse Whintly



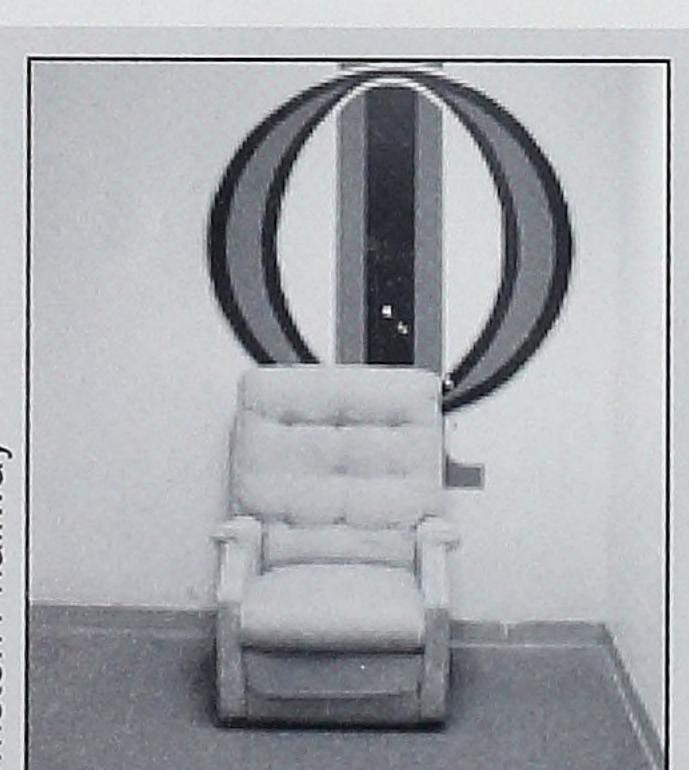
Rick Reed and David Youngman Ormston 304

The perfect roommate! Small and silent.

This room just keeps going and going and going...

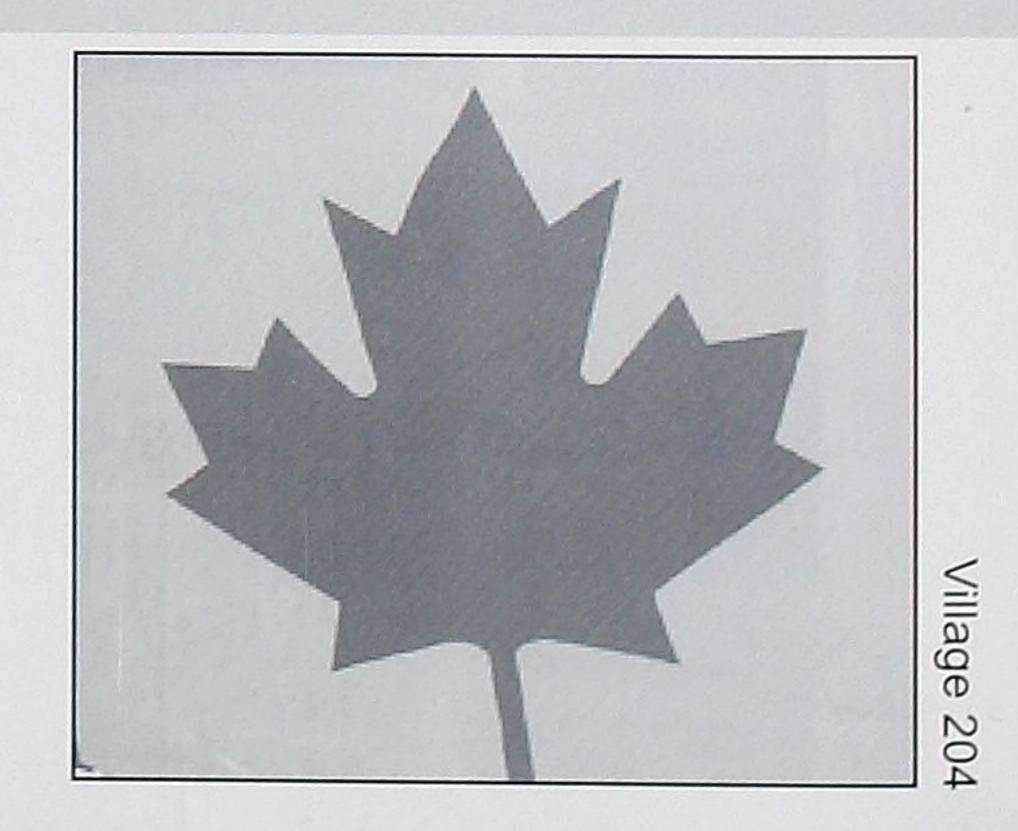


Freshmen Adam Hallett and Cliff Orr Beta 113

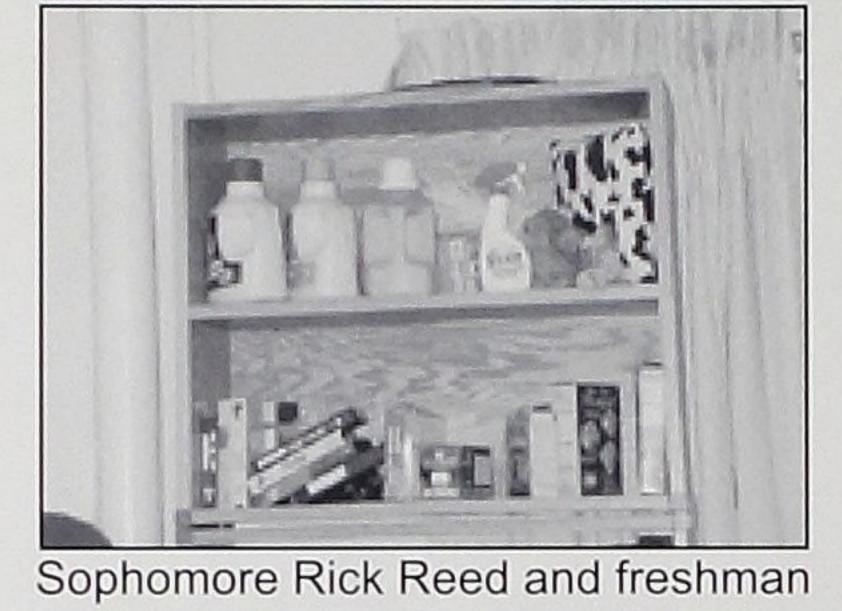


Welcome to our floor! Put your feet up and stay awhile.

Andrew Dixon and Greg Elford have Canadian pride far and wide.



Rick and David have the cleanest clothes Spring Arbor campus has seen in awhile.



David Youngman Ormston 304



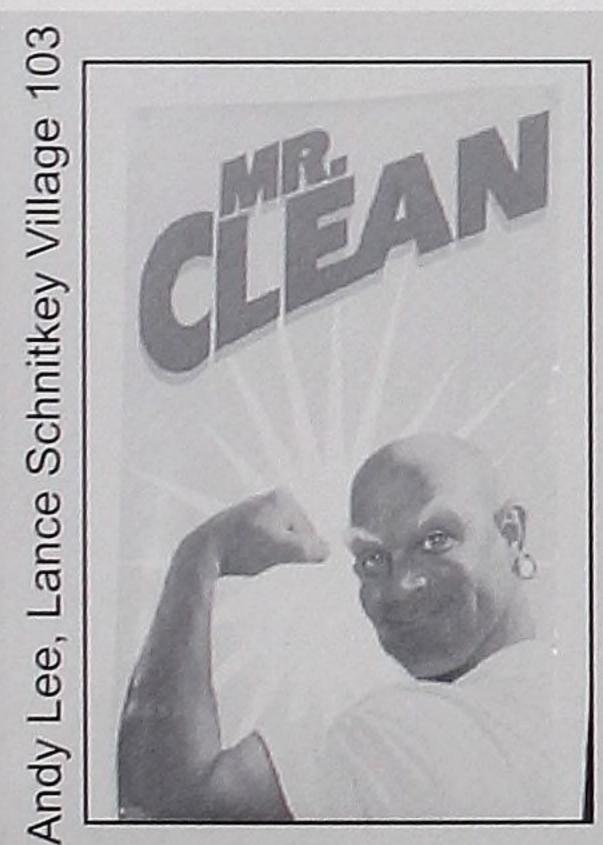
Freshmen D.J. Hesdschwerdt and Josh Hain

"Video games or basketball?"

"Who cares man, we're going to be in the Echo!"

Seniors Dan Page and Garron Garn show their true colors!



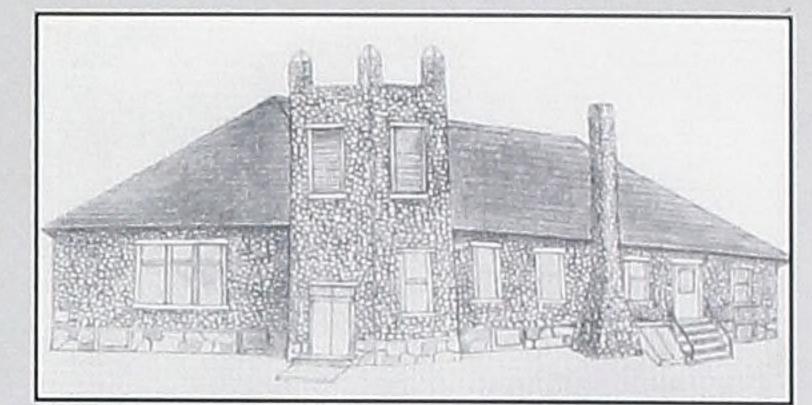


Boys, your mothers would be proud you know who Mr. Clean is, but have you put him to work in the rest of your room?

from the pages of ...

Echo History

The first Echo was published in 1922. Since then, Echos have provided a picture of life at Spring Abor each year. The rest is history....



The Free Methodist Church being built in Spring Arbor (1922):So this must have been a while ago



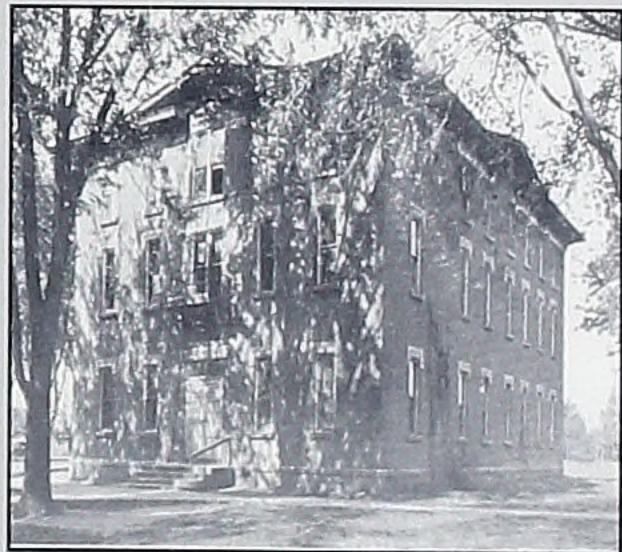
Canadians (1922): Always an important part of Spring Arbor schools

Fun Facts...

- Spring Arbor was SAS (Spring Arbor Seminary) way before it was SAC or SAU.
- Spring Arbor Seminary student motto: "Not for school, but for life we learn."
- Spring Arbor's school newspaper, The Crusader, used to be called the "Re-Dit."

Did you know...

- In 1981 some students decided to skip lunch once a week and the money saved was used to provide meals for the hungry.
- In the 1943-44 school year, ping pong was second only to basketball in popularity among students.
- Guys and girls used to go to separate camps during the All-School Retreat.



Boys Hall (1922): Small living area



Girls Hall (1922): Smaller living area

Echo Staff (1927): No. You don't have to dress like this M-60 (1927): Road trip to no where to work on the Echo today.

Would you think?

 Spring Arbor students used to regularly put on huge

productions such as Showboat (1968) and Fiddler on the Roof (1972).

A while ago...

- In 1926, tuition was \$7.50 to \$10.00 per term but students had recitations from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. every school day and 2 1/2 hours of study required 6 evenings a week.
- Smith Music Center used to be the gym.
- A fire broke out in Alpha II (1985) and the day became known as "Ash Wednesday."
- WSAE was 89.3 FM before it was changed to 106.9 FM.



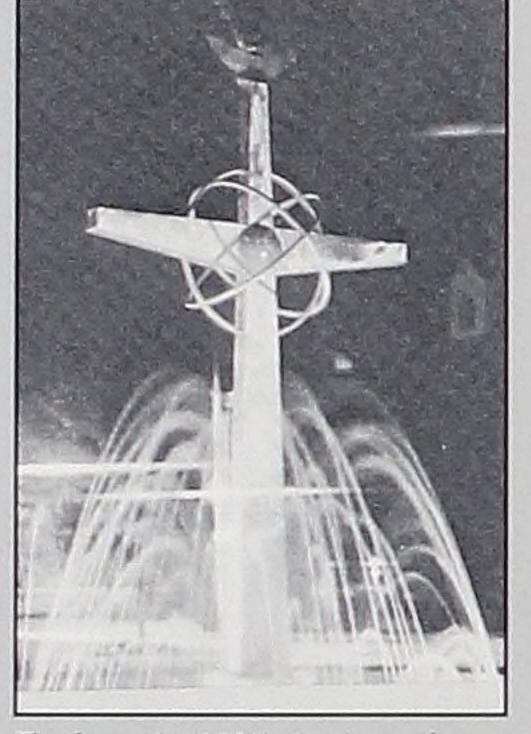
De old snack bar (1956): Bet prices were cheaper then

From 1922 & 1923 Calendars...

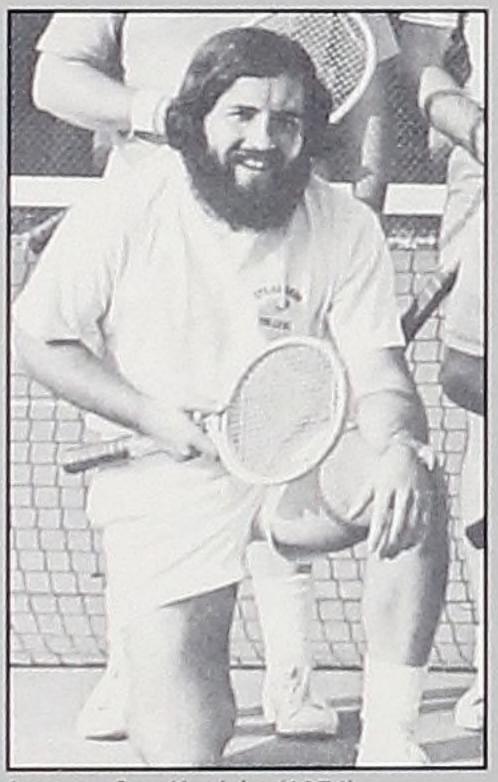
- Sept. 28...The vaccum sweeper arrives from Port Huron
- Sept. 29...Diagnosis of fifth rule
- Oct. 8...Fifth rule broken for first time by??
- Oct. 12...Lecture on candy and chewing gum
- Nov. 7...Niagara Falls on a small scale in boy's hall. Girls' dormitory on fire. Girls excited
- Nov. 10...Studio takes fire. More excitement. Total loss: a few love letters and a pair of shoes.
- Nov. 24...The lost is found. Eighteen chickens disappear from SAS dining room.
- Dec. 8...Glenn Hall's bed disappears at 5:30 a.m.
- Jan 5...Concealed bell causes great disturbance in Boys Hall 11:00 p.m.
- Jan. 22... Average temperature in Boys Hall: 45 degrees above
- Feb. 14...Treat, ice cream for supper
- Feb. 20...Beatiful sunset. Milton goes home sick. Freata weeps.
- March 15..."Echo" goes to press
- Sept. 19...Unusual number of freshmen
- Dec. 5...Boy's shoe found in girls' hall



Chapel (1964): It was different then...



The fountain (1981): Here's proof for freshmen



A young Ron Kopicko (1974)



WSAE (1964): So technologically advanced

New and different...

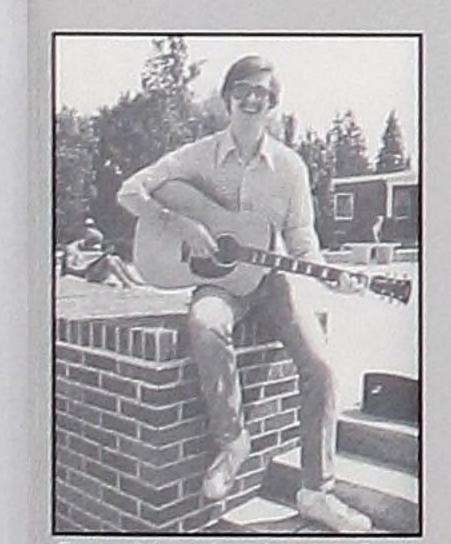
- Before the 1994-95 school year, there were no phones in student rooms. Instead students relied on hallway message boards.
- Plans for a new library were included in the expansion project in 1994-95 (and we thought we were waiting a long time for the library to be finished!)
- In 1995 the Echo staff decided to publish the yearbook in quarterly editions.



Beanies distinguish freshmen first week (1964): Once upon a time, when we had initiation

Not so long ago...

- Arbor Games began in 1989
- First Mystery Date held in 1996
- Core 100 as we know it was started in 1996
- Editor Kara Mallery changed Echo to The Echo in spring semester 2002



Guy with guitar (1982): Some things never change



Crusader (1966): Getting the attention it deserves

everything you never really needed to know about...

Student Media

Spring Arbor University students picked up several awards at this year's journalism conference in Washington D.C. sponsored by the Association of Christian Collegiate Media, Christianity Today, and the World Journalism Institute.

Editorial Cartoon Second Place- Julie Conolly (senior) and Christian Metts (senior)

Newspaper Editorial First Place- Julie Conolly

Personality Feature Second Place- Kara Mallery (senior)

Newspaper Feature Third Place- Dave Brandt (junior)

TV Feature Second Place- Julie Conolly and Andy Owen (sophomore)

TV Promotional Announcement Third Place- Andy Owen and Jeremy Scott (senior)

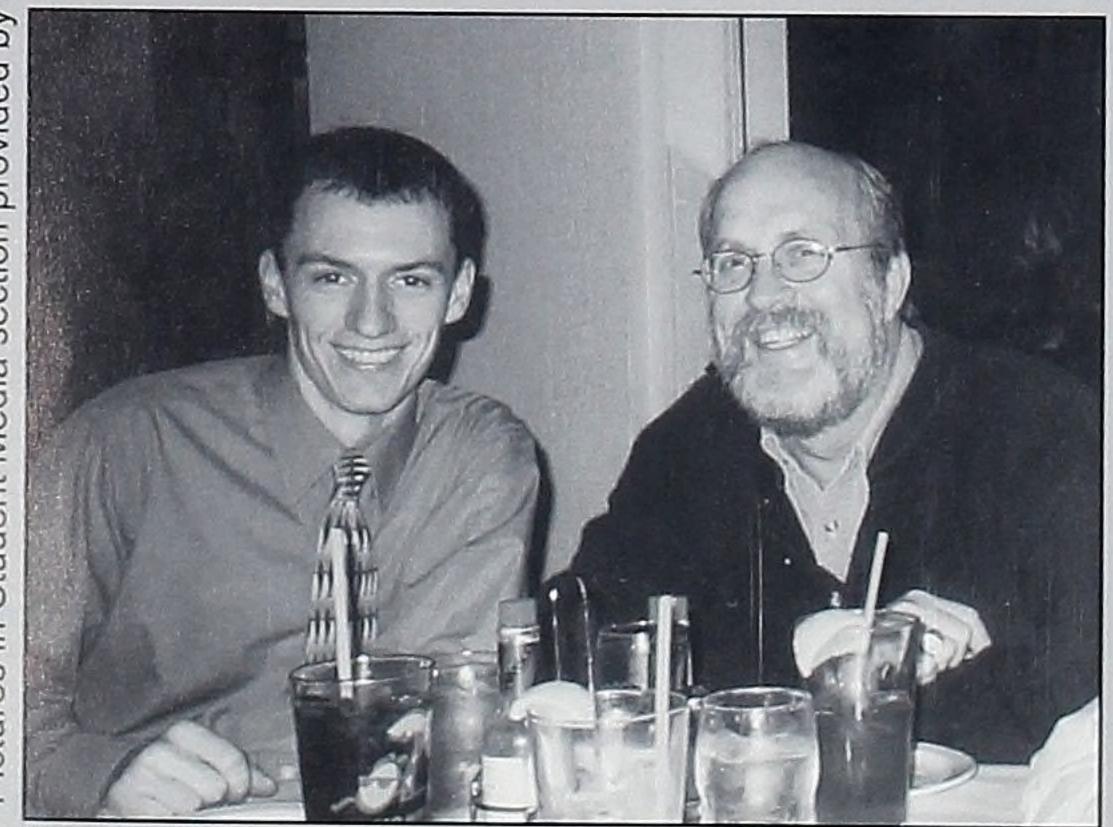
Radio News First Place- Andrew Lindley (senior) and Second Place- Joel Atkins (sophomore)

Radio Feature First Place- Charlie Reul (senior) and Mandy Odenbaugh (junior)

Radio Promotional Announcement First Place- Amanda Marston (junior) and Second Place- Brennan Jacoby (sophomore)



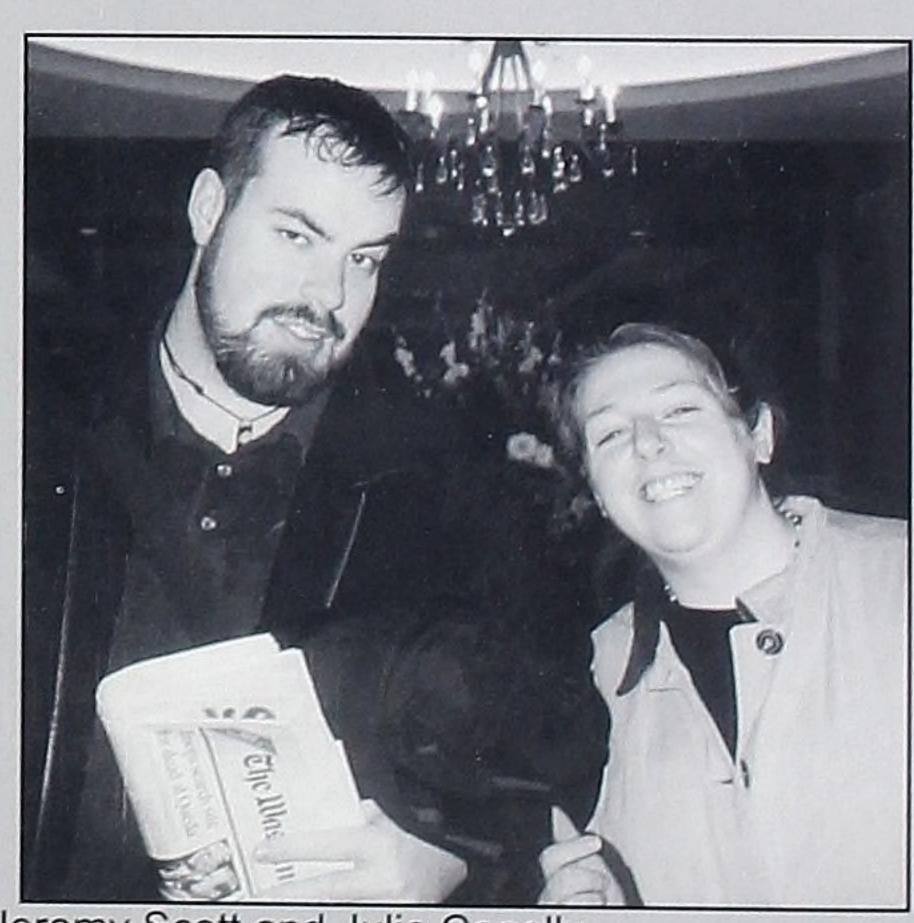
🖹 Julie Conolly, Sherry Owens and Jen Houston



Jeremy Adams and Wally Metts



Sherry Owens and Carianne Chrenko



Jeremy Scott and Julie Conolly

February 16 to 19, students traveled to Nashville for the annual National Religious Broadcasters convention to receive awards from Intercollegiate Religious Broadcasters, a division of the NRB. The winners were acknowledged for remarkable achievement in radio and video productions.

Demo Second Place- Joel Atkins (sophomore)

Field Production Third Place- Andy Owen (sophomore)

Public Service Announcement First Place- Andy Owen and Jeremy Scott (senior)

Studio Production First Place- Andy Owen and Julie Conolly (senior)

Radio News First Place- Andy Fetter (senior), Second Place- Andrew Lindley (senior) and Third Place- Joel Atkins

Below: Students in Nashville

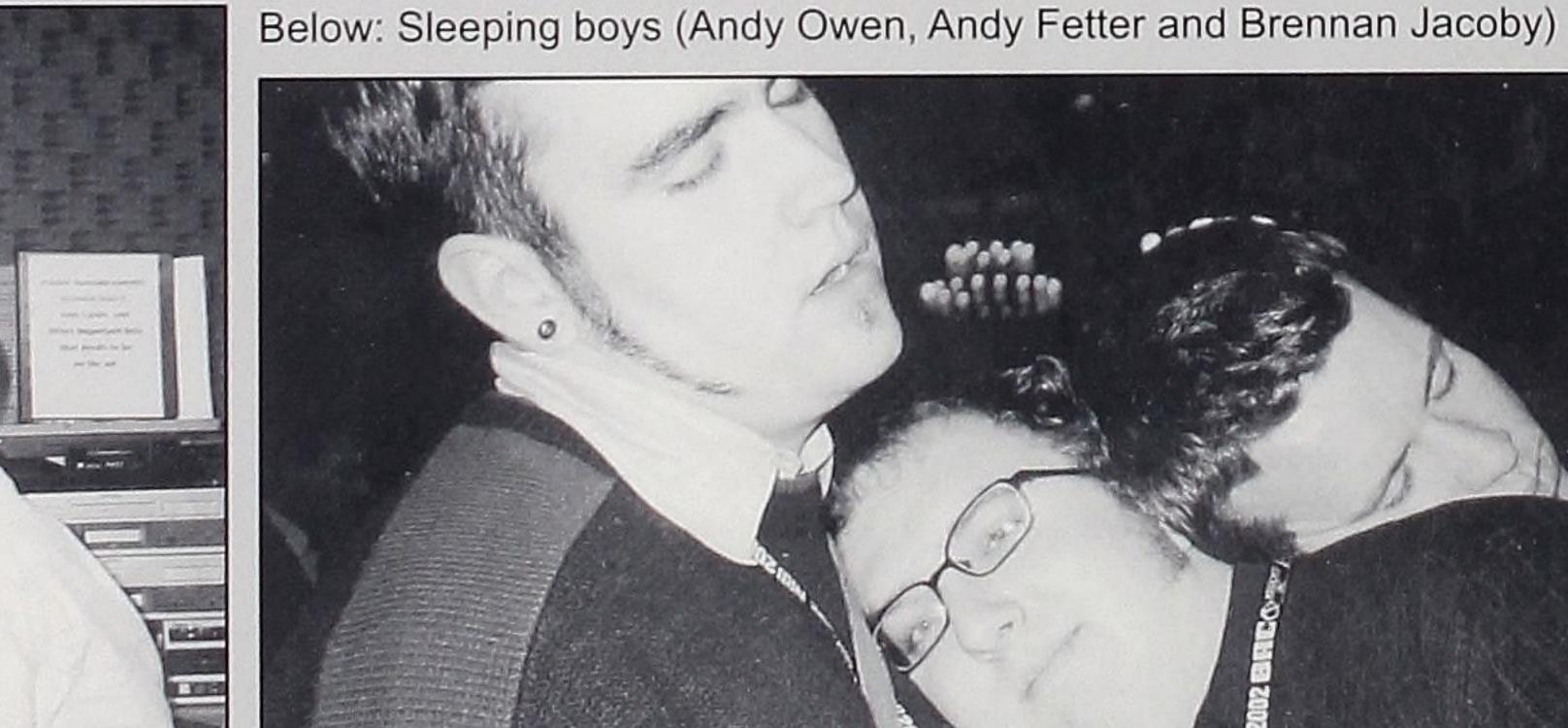


Below: Annie Spencer at WSAE





Above: Brennan Jacoby at WSAE



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Dave Brandt and Kelly Skarritt

Editing the Crusader

A Dream Job

by Crusader editor Dave Brandt

Everybody has a dream job, something they'd be happy to work at for their whole life. It took me awhile to figure out what my ideal job was. I wanted to be a hostage negotiator, but I realized that job wouldn't be stressful enough. Then I considered volunteering for medical experiments to test the effects of caffeine pills on the human body, but I probably would have gotten too much sleep. I even thought about starting my own winter lawn mowing service, but I was afraid I'd make too much money. But I finally found the perfect job: Editor-in-chief of the Crusader.

With over a thousand students and faculty members to keep happy, a mostly unpaid staff of volunteers to keep motivated, and all kinds of information to keep track of, this job certainly gives me plenty of stress. With the Crusader's small production staff, I can count on staying up until at least 3 a.m. every Friday morning to make sure the paper comes out by lunchtime. And with Spring Arbor University signing the paychecks, well, let's just say that neither I nor any other Crusader staff member will be floating around Lime Lake on a luxury yacht anytime soon.

There's something about this job that makes me want to do it week after week. I get to boss people around, complain about things, and have my picture in the paper all the time. But that's not what draws me to my work. I can't explain why I love this job so much, but perhaps the strongest kind of love is the kind that can't be explained. All I know is that, Lord willing, I'll keep editing the Crusader until the day I graduate and get a job at McDonald's, just like every other professional writing major.

Since being a part of the Crusader, I am beginning to understand the concept of marriage a little better. You may think that is a strange thing to say about a newspaper, but I am truly beginning to understand the phrase, "being married to your work." You see, the Crusader and I have developed a love/hate relationship, which can only be compared with that of married couples.

As with all marriages, you begin by courting one another. This is the infatuation stage, in which I relished in off all the reasons I should hand in my resignation. my newfound position as the writer or editor for the sole Nevertheless, I keep going back week after week, campus newspaper. However, the longer I spent time because where would I be without the Crusader? first I dismissed these as just an expected adverse con- closer to the time in which you will pass the baton sequence to being on a paper. Then those annoyances to the next eager editor, you await the freedom you'll became irritating and I began regretting ever taking this experience from not having to be responsible for position. But what can I say—I love this paper. The more this @!!* newspaper. But as close as that newslearned about its bad qualities, the more I picked up on paper got to pushing you over the edge, or out the what it offers the campus and me. I began to understand suicide window, you realize how much you loved it. it inside and out, and I started putting up with its absur- You see, although participating in the Crusader can dities. In fact, I begin each production night with hope be maddening and excruciatingly tiring, I wouldn't and determination. I wonder, "Will this be the night we have it any other way.

The old ball and chain

by Crusader co-editor Kelly Skarritt

finally finish the paper before midnight? Will this be the night we produce the best Crusader ever?" Of course, as 2:00 a.m. rolls around and the copy editors are still finding mistakes, I find myself ticking

and the Oscar goes to... The making of a student film



Hours of auditions take their toll on director Andy Owen and DP Jeremy Scott.

This semester, Julie Conolly, Andy Owen and Jeremy Scott shot a short film. Conolly produced the film and wrote the script. Owen directed and will be editing the film in the fall. Scott was the director of photography. Auditions were held in February and Megan Bolton and Travis Bravender were cast in the lead roles, Abby and Evan. Dr. Wally Metts portrays Reverend Donnell, Abby's father.

The film," Such is Life," is about hating the sin and loving the sinner—a concept that is addressed in a small town when a popular teenager announces he's a homosexual. The only friend he's left with is the pastor's daughter who shows him the unconditional love of Christ.

Conolly and Owen, who both want to pursue a career in film, decided this would be their first step. Once the film is finished, they'll send it to some film festivals and enter it into competitions.



Straight from the horse's mouth by Julie Conolly

Sigh, I handed over the reigns of the all-powerful, all-wise Crusader. Okay, so maybe it's not all of those things, but it's still a great paper.

My favorite things about the Crusader would include the people we get to work with (especially Wally) and all of the learning experiences. I learned how to write, use PageMaker, edit photos, boss people around and handle just about anything.

I don't have enough room on this page to talk about all the negative aspects of the paper. It is totally chaotic. Anything

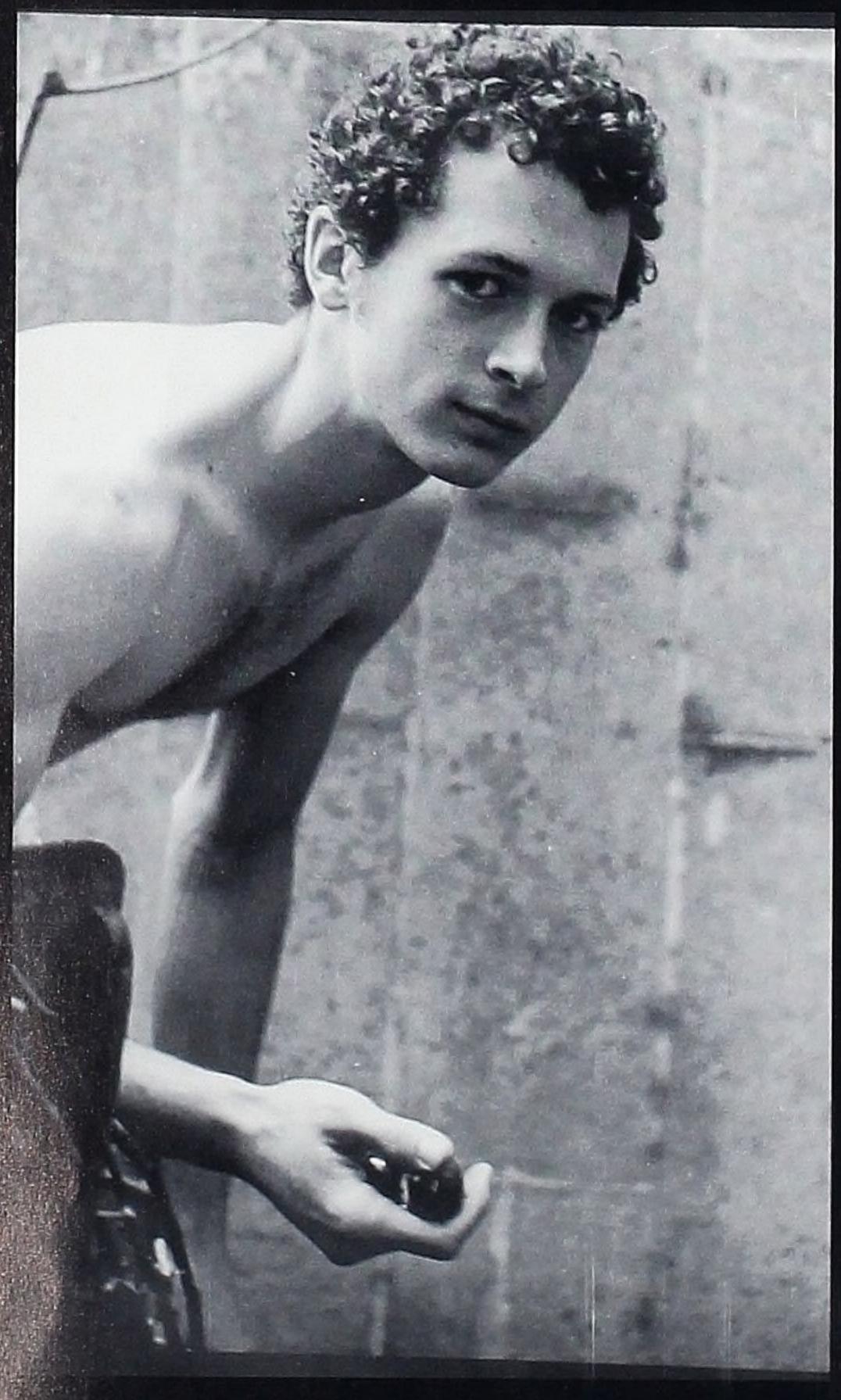
can and will happen. Sometimes you come to editing day and no one has turned in any stories and you have to write the entire paper yourself. You spend about ten hours just putting it together, and see your fellow students leafing through it nonchalantly the next day. You want to scream, "That paper took up 40 hours of my life! Show some respect!" You spend hours on the details of the tiniest word and nobody thanks you—they just point out all of your mistakes. And not to mention, if you do anything too controversial, you have to argue and defend yourself to different members of the faculty and staff for weeks to come. But that's the newspaper business. And now I am prepared to enter into the real world.

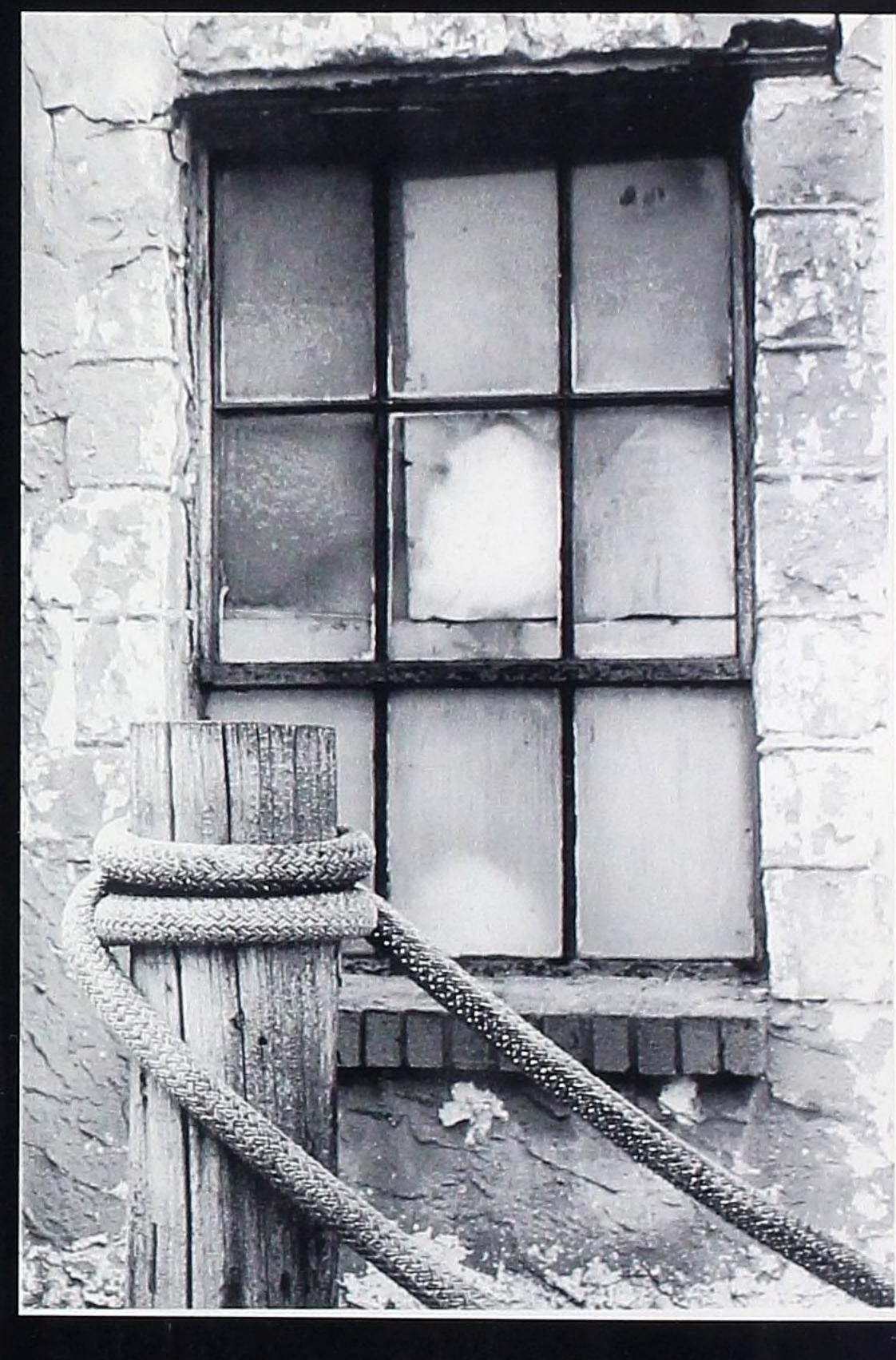
Enough of that rant. I'm proud to say I left the paper in good hands. It's my baby and I'm sad to see it go, hard work or not. But I'm sitting here in the Publications Lab (also known as the plab) and I'm helping with the Echo. I can't escape! Only graduation will save me.

I would suggest that more students visit the plab. It's a fun place, if you can get out of doing work. We have a Wally Metts, a suicide window, and a fun toy that bosses us around. My advice to all underclassmen is to join the student publications team. It is hard work, but it's fun too. The experiences you gain here will prepare you for future employment. Oh yeah, and this kind of thing looks good on your resume, too.

photographs taken by... Natalie Kendall

Natalie is an art major, focusing on photography. She graduates this year and hopes to move out west to take pictures, mountain bike, backpack, ride horses, do freelance outdoor magazine photography, and pursue a career in professional distance running.





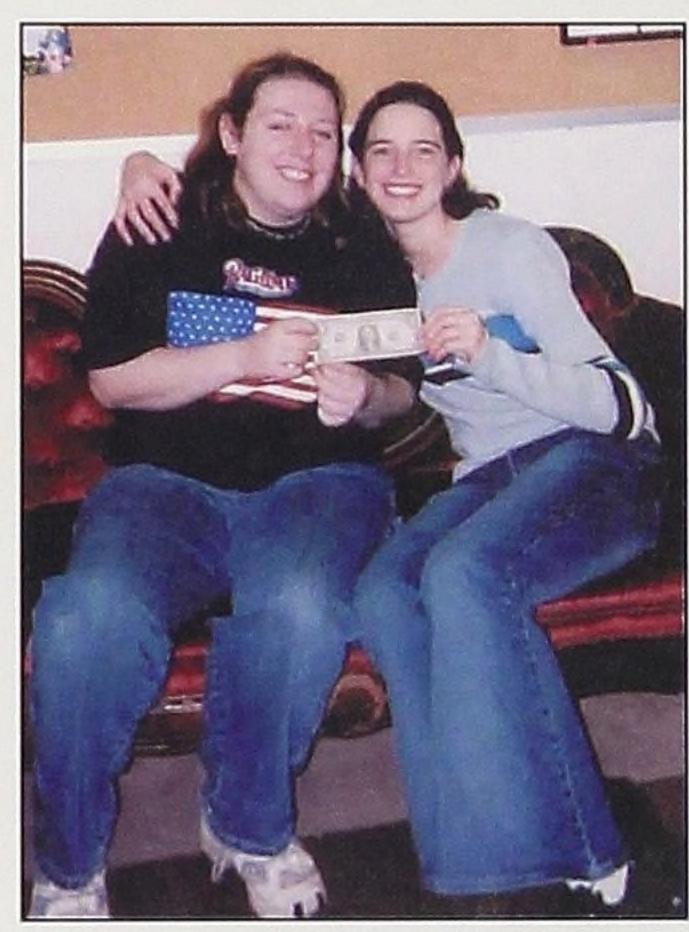
Some of her accomplishments in running include:

- SAU's Women's Cross-Country running record, 1999 to present (time 17:55)
- 6th place at 1999 NAIA Cross-Country Championships (time 18:04 in the 5k)
- All-American status

wacky pictures of wacky people... Student media cont.



Jeremy Scott, Julie Conolly, Carianne Chrenko, Addie Englerth, Jen Houston and Pilgrim Metts in Washington D.C.



Crusader writer Carianne receives a dollar signed by Julie



A picture of Sherry Owens taking yet another picture in D.C.



"Fake Steve": Brian Erchenbrecher went in place of Steve Bohus on the NRB trip. Here he is holding up Steve's nametage.

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