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Remember the fellow students who shared your curiosity, excitement and anxiety. They, along with your teachers, will remain some of your most cherished friends.

And remember your first patients. By learning to care for them, you gained the ability and the confidence to care for others. The well-being of patients will always be your greatest reward.

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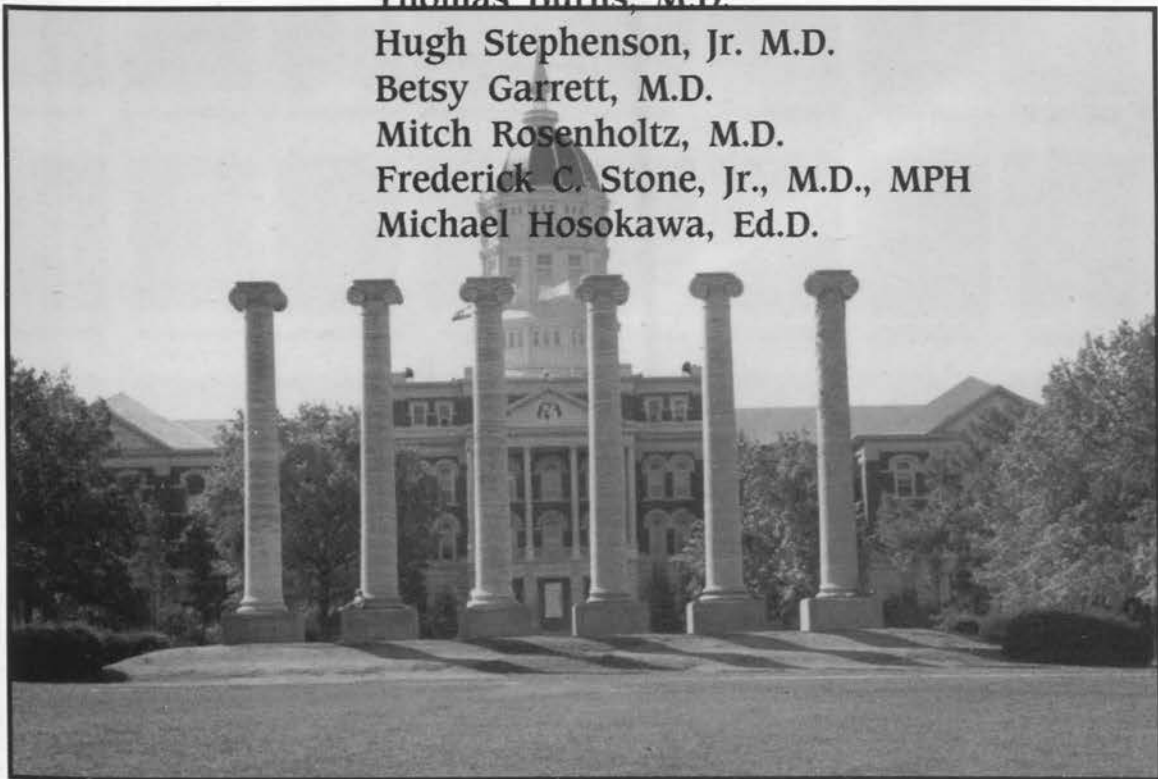
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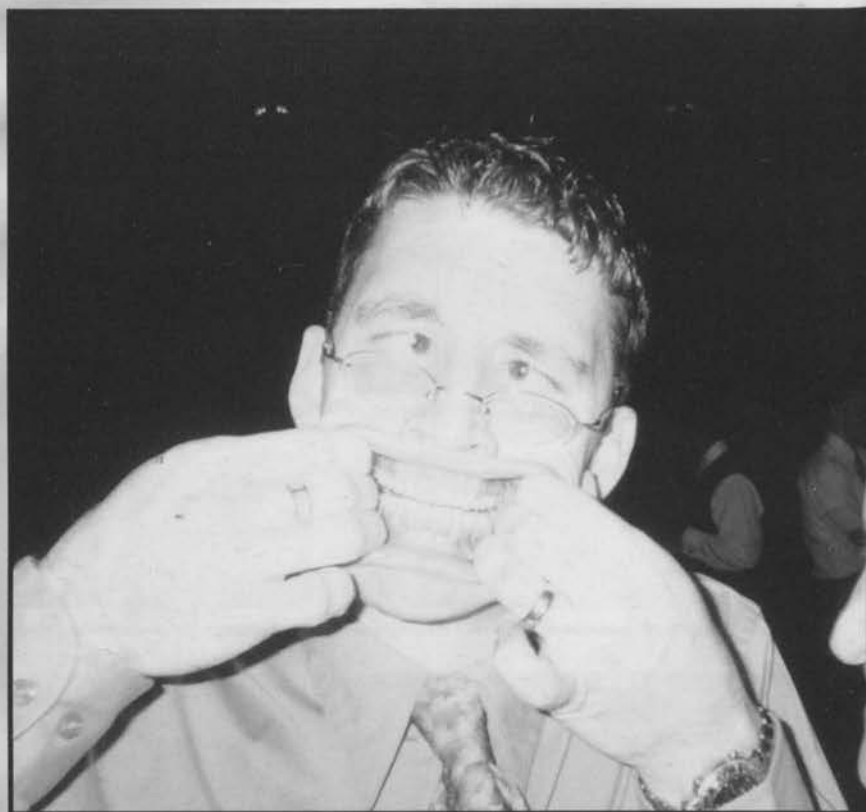
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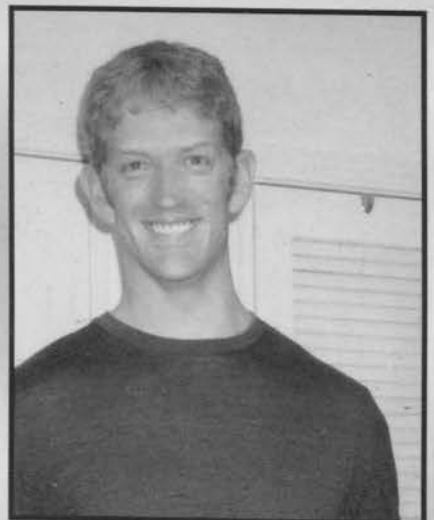
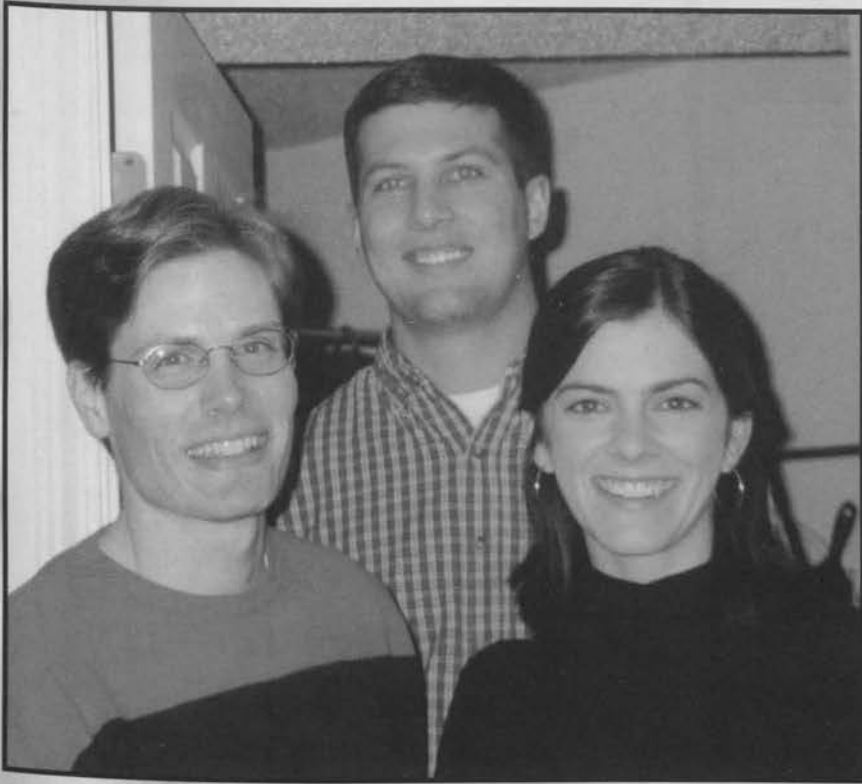


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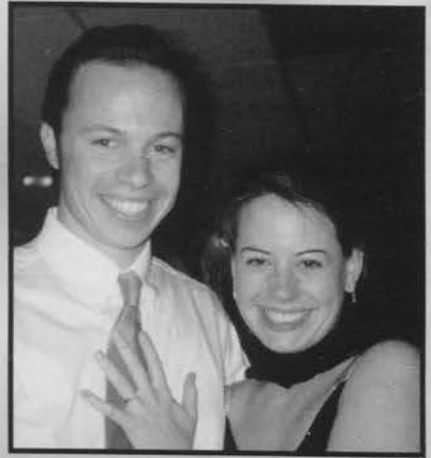
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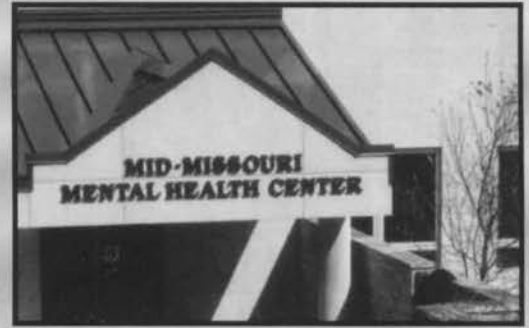
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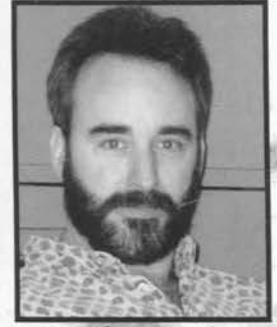
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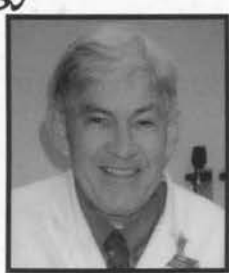
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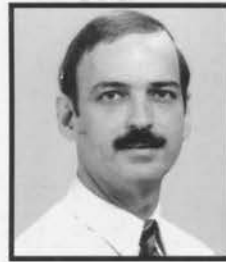
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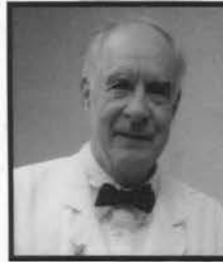
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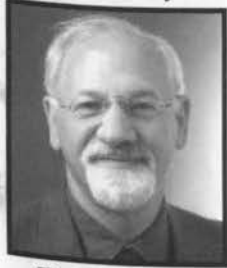
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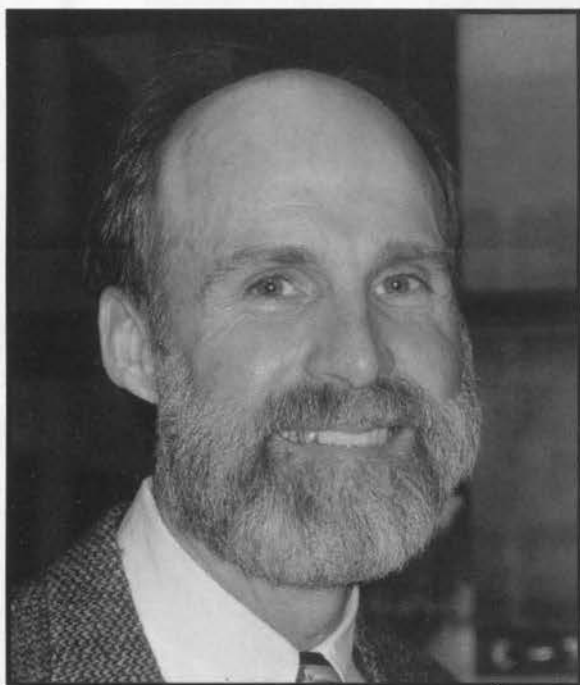
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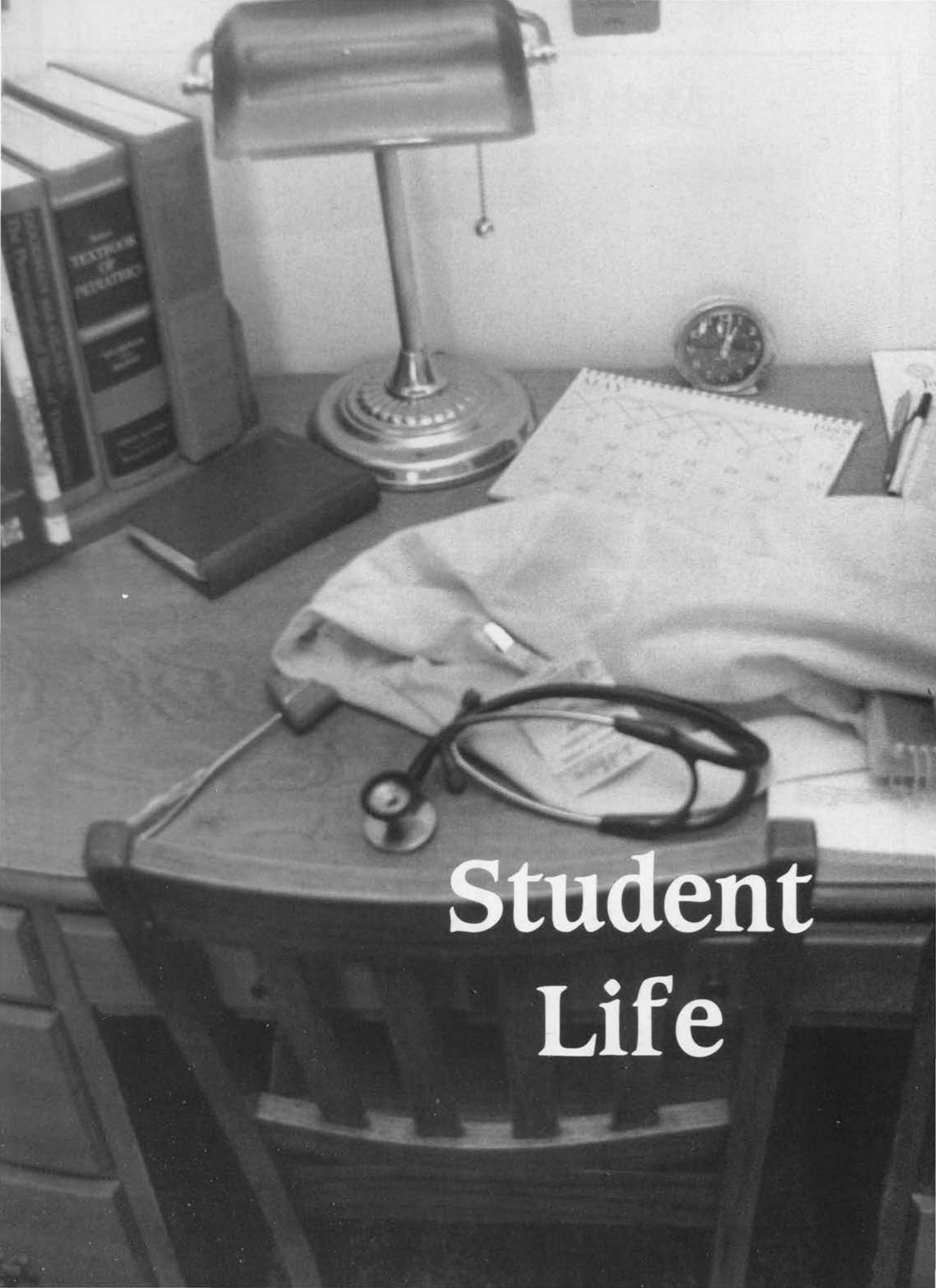


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1948 - 2002

Dr. Jay Dix was a respected member of the MU Department of Pathology for many years. As a forensic pathologist, he dedicated his life to studying and teaching others about death. In doing so, he enabled his students to accept it as an inevitable and necessary part of medicine--a part that is not to be seen as a defeat, but as an opportunity to add to our knowledge of disease. Dr. Dix's knowledge and enthusiasm will live on in the many students who listened to and appreciated his message.

Jay Dix Challenge to Cure - April 12, 2003





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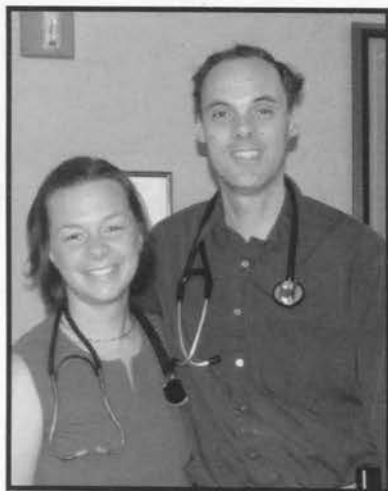


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Kylie Vannaman with Dr. Koch at Booneville Clinic



Marcus and Wendy recruiting at the Activities Fair

EMIG



Nathan and Jean Ann promising free helicopter rides to prospective New Members



Jean Ann Dymott-CoPresident, Dan Hoyt-Treasurer, Nathan Ratchford-CoPresident, Sasha Picard-Vice President

FMIG



M4 FMIG Reps: Lindsey Wiles and Amanda Allmon. Trish Taylor Not pictured



Jeremy Katcher, Sarah Calhoun, Kathy Weiss, Mendi Zion, Jamie Harris, Paul McGowan, Amy Thompson, Sarah Swofford

MMSA



Jen Spitler in the field

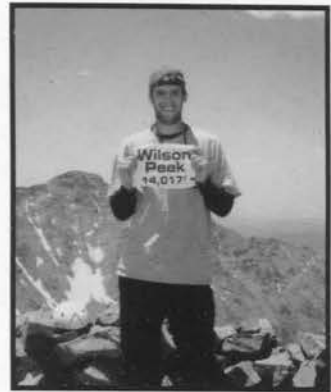


Bradley Harrison-Secretary, Mark Pogemiller-Vice President, Jen Spitler-Treasurer, John Oberlin-President

PSR



Martie Gravitt-Treasurer, Michael Williamson-President,
David Zub-Secretary, Tim Mayfield-Vice President



David Zub (PSR & WMS)
at Wilson Peak

RIG



Mark Pogemiller-Treasurer, Ambar Bajpaj-Vice President, Alicia
Fazzaro-CoPresident, Chris Brodeur-CoPresident

SIA



John Medley-Vice President, Tim Geiger-President, Muzow Yusof-
Treasurer, Minnie Sandhu-Secretary



Ryan McWilliams' first act as extern
is to improve this FMIG volleyball
team.



Kylie Vannaman and Rachel Kerford at the Activities Fair



SIPS bringing Santa and Christmas Cheer to our inpatient pediatric ward



Members of SNMA stepping out

SIGHT



Kylie Vannaman-President, Rachel Kerford-Vice President, Monette Castillo-MSAC Rep, Kathy Weiss-Secretary. Not pictured: Jean Cole-Treasurer

SIP



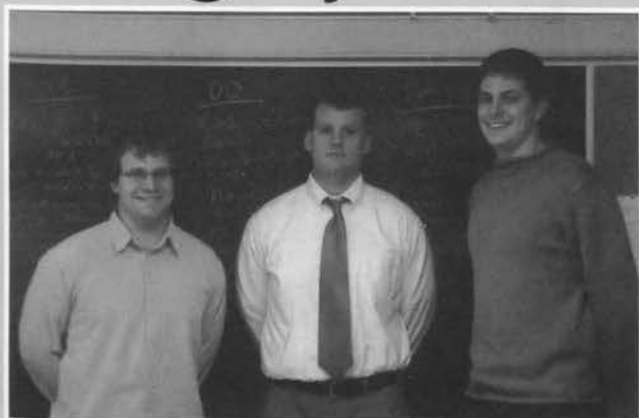
Kevin Clary, Allison Dae, Christy White, Shazia Bhombal, Kevin Boyd

SNMA



Ayanna Scoggin, Fabianne Walker, Monica Willis, Jason Scott Holly, Ekpe Akpaffiong, Nnaemeka Okafor, Devin Campbell, Oyebola Oladiran, Mark Thompson, Nneka Ekunno. Not Pictured: Michelle Azu.

Surgery Club



Jay Snow-Treasurer, Tim Mayfield-President, Nathan Brummel-Secretary



Nathan Brummel studying hard for PBL

WMS



Dan Noonan-CoPresident, Logan Kratt, David Zub-CoPresident, Courtney Barr



WMS Climbing at Capen Park

Not Pictured

CMA

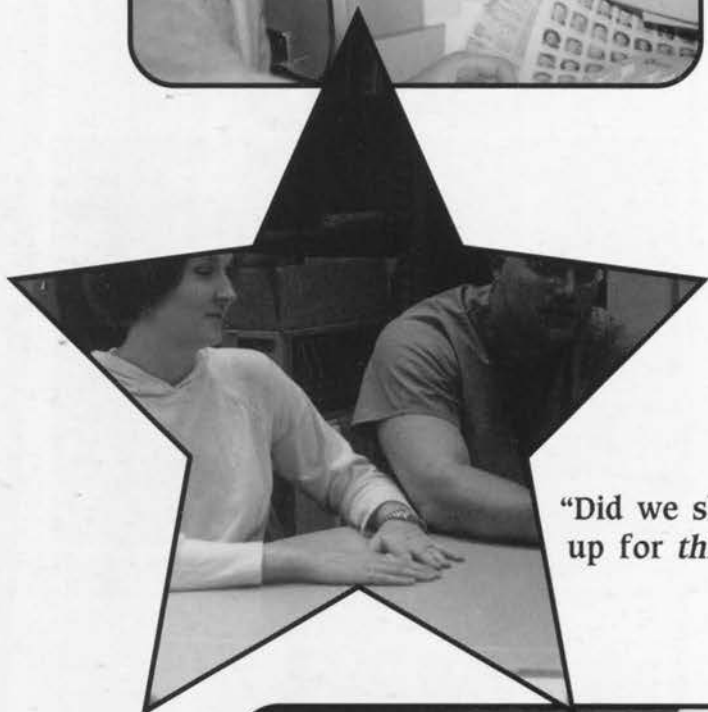
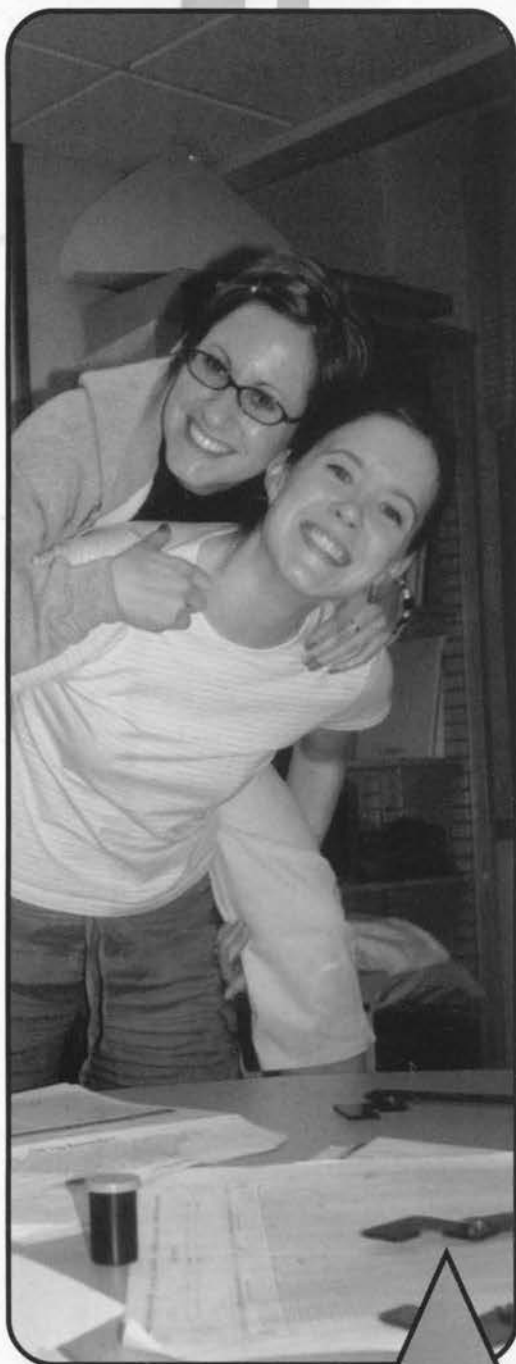
OSR

Psych I. G.



WMS Caving at Marcus Monroes

MUtation Yearbook Superstars



“Did we show up for *this*?”



“This is as boring as watching paint dry on a code day”

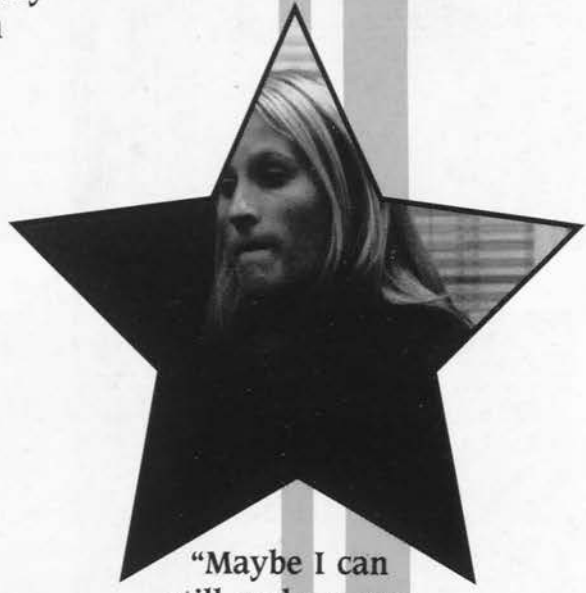


“What now?”

Kate Stueve and Christy White - M3 MUTation Reps



"Maybe I can still make a run for it."



Right: Mary, after living in the year-book office for 3 days, mistakenly crops Marcy's head into an image box.



Sarah Curry - Dedicated Staff Member Award



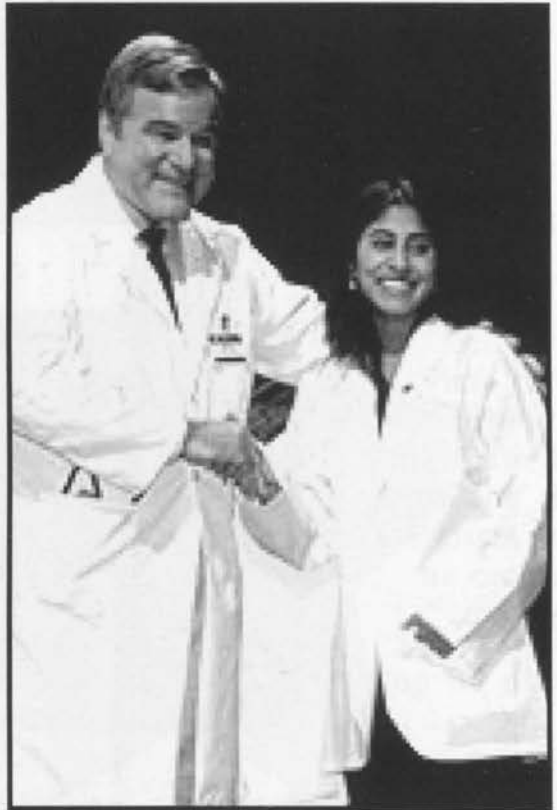
"Never forget the tiger paws!"
-Angeline



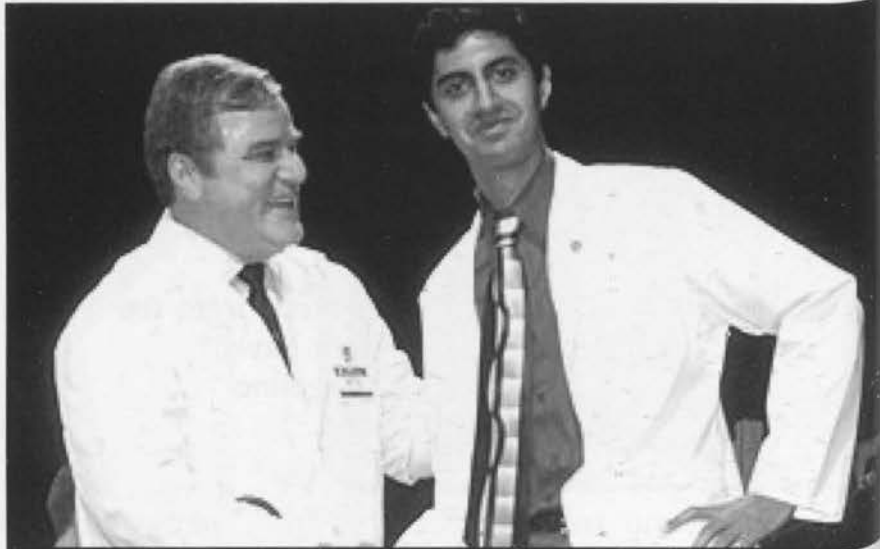
White Coat

M1s Welcomed to the Medical Profession with the Presentation of White Coats

"At the time of being admitted as a student member of the medical profession, I solemnly pledge myself to consecrate my life to the service of humanity. I will give to my teachers the respect and gratitude that is their due. I will pursue my education and practice my profession with conscience and dignity. The health of my patient will be my first consideration. I will respect the secrets which are confided in me. I will maintain by all the means in my power the honor and noble traditions of the medical profession. My colleagues will be my brothers and sisters. I will not permit consideration of religion, nationality, race, party politics or social standing to intervene between my duty and my patient. I will maintain the utmost respect for human life. Even under threat, I will not use my medical knowledge contrary to the laws of humanity. I make these promises solemnly, freely and upon my honor."



Below: Laura Pelikan and Rachel Biber proudly wear their new white coats



Ceremony



Above: The Class of 2006
outside Jesse Hall after the ceremony.



Left: M1s recite the modified Declaration of
Geneva. (opposite page).

Activities Fair

Below: Bob Garrett at the fair explaining all about the Medical Student Affairs Council (MSAC).

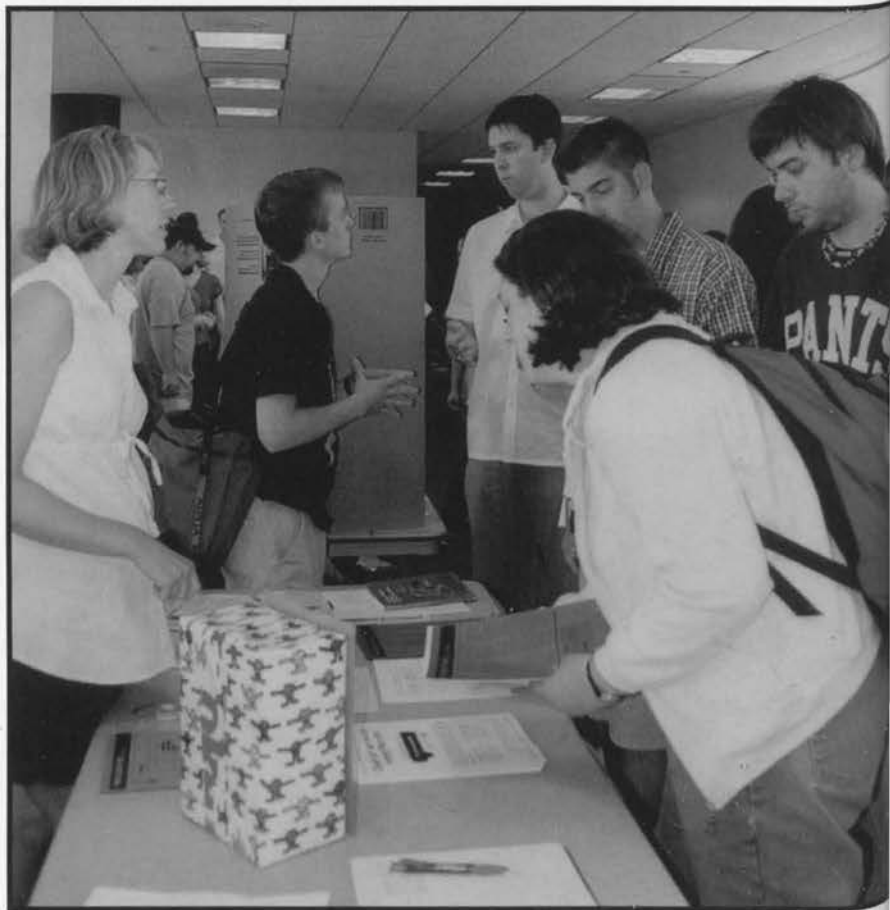


Right: Jay Slesman talks to new M1s about the many benefits of purchasing a MUltation yearbook.

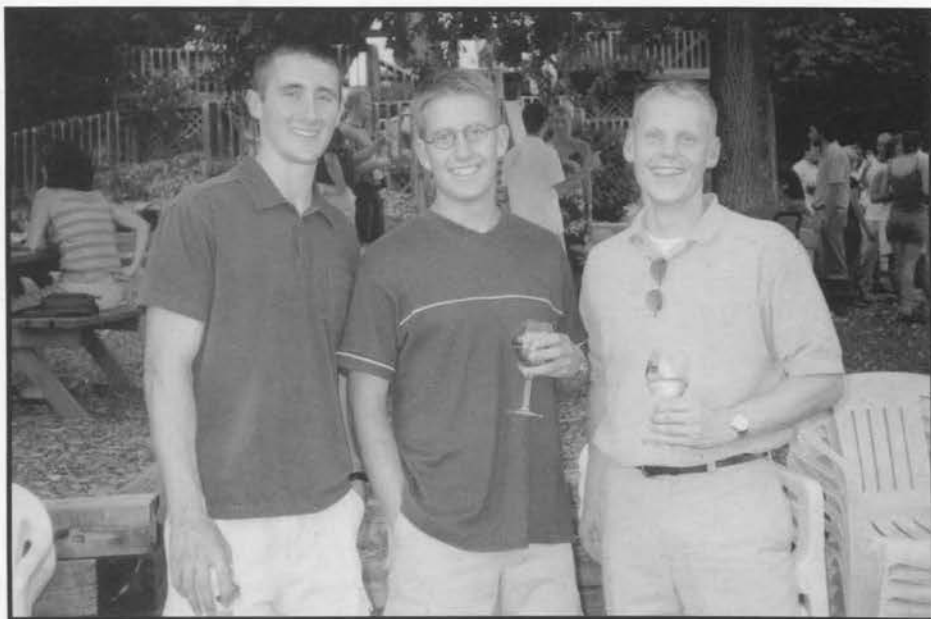


Above: Upperclassmen talk to incoming students about various organizations.

Right: Amy Zimmerman recruits future pediatricians to join SIP (Students Interested in Pediatrics).



M1s Conclude Orientation Week at the Winery



Top Left: Ayanna Scoggin struts her stuff.

Top Right: Nathan Luscri, Greg Miller, and Justin Kauk casually drink their wine and scout out the ladies.

Middle Left: Erika Sato, Bridgette Svancarek, Julie Hong, and Ale Alvarez smile back at the guys.

Middle Right: Friends Swetha Sridhar and Monica Fuller enjoy the beautiful scenery that the winery provides.

Bottom: Jeremy Cravens, Heather Weiler, Mona Singh, and Vineesha Arelli toast to a great first year of medical school.



Terrortoma!!

Proceeds Benefiting Family Health Center

Left: Someone with a mask doing something scary

Below: This year's costume winners

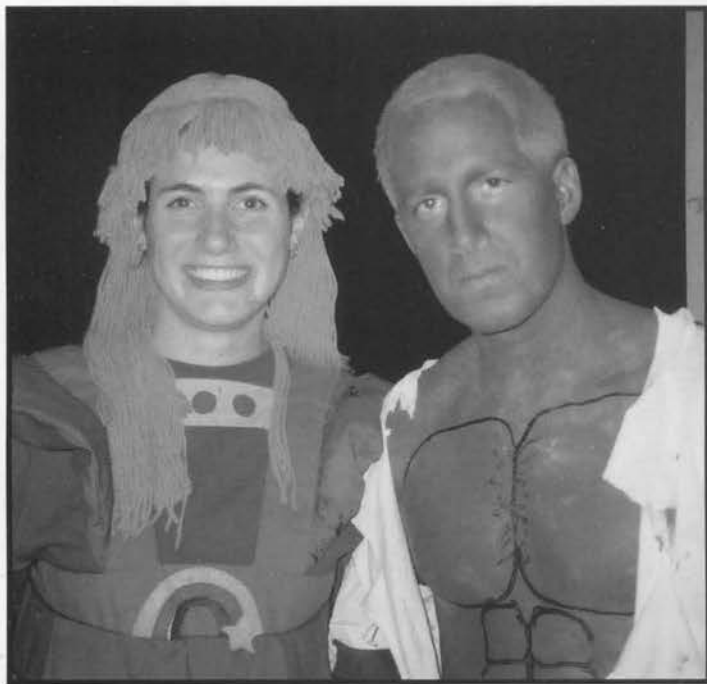
Below left, middle and right: more scary stuff

Bottom left: M1's in the Hall of Justice

Below Right: M2's getting ready for the party









What's in a name?

Aesculapian Ball 2003



Right. Brian and Nancy Allenbrand and Angela Botts enjoy time before the dance. Far right. Ketch after half a beer. Not pictured: Ketch passing out after finishing that beer.

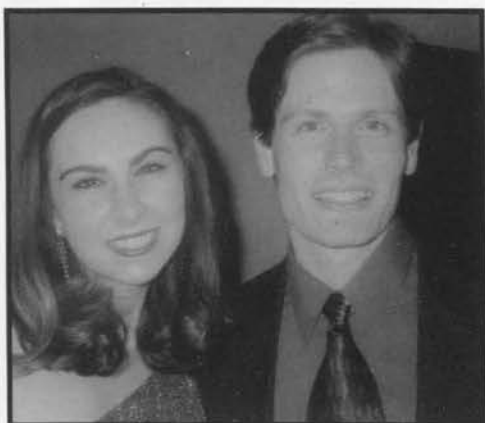


Above. Andi and Bob always make a dashing couple. Right. Kadee and GR enjoying life as newlyweds.





Left. M4s get rowdy at their last formal during medical school.



Top Right: John Spitler enjoying the moment, Jamie Joyce forcing a smile.

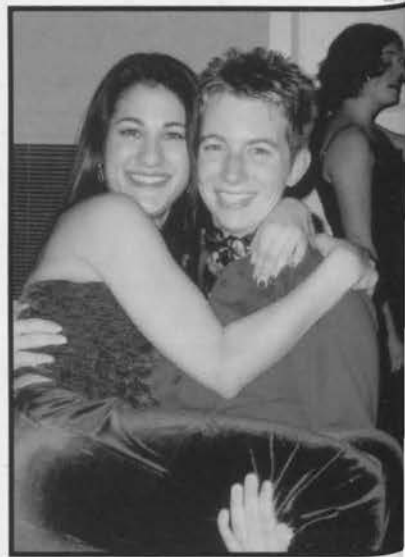
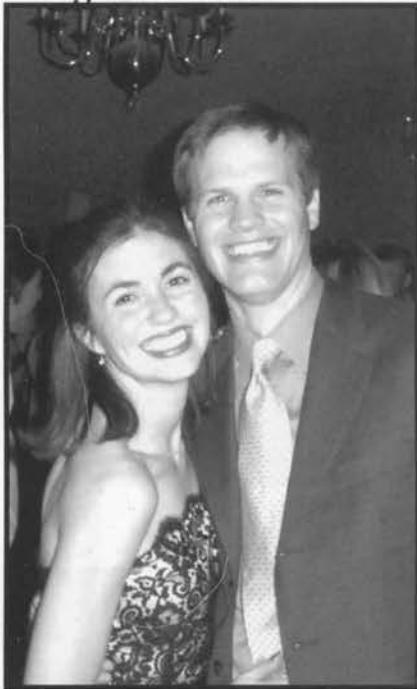
Middle Left: Rachel and Sam Medaris to you.

Middle Right: Liquor can make everyone's dream come true.

Bottom Left: The chaperones were unable keep some couples the required six inches apart.

Bottom Right: M2's prepare for a long night of fun.

Below Right: "Who is this girl who keeps trying to get between us?"

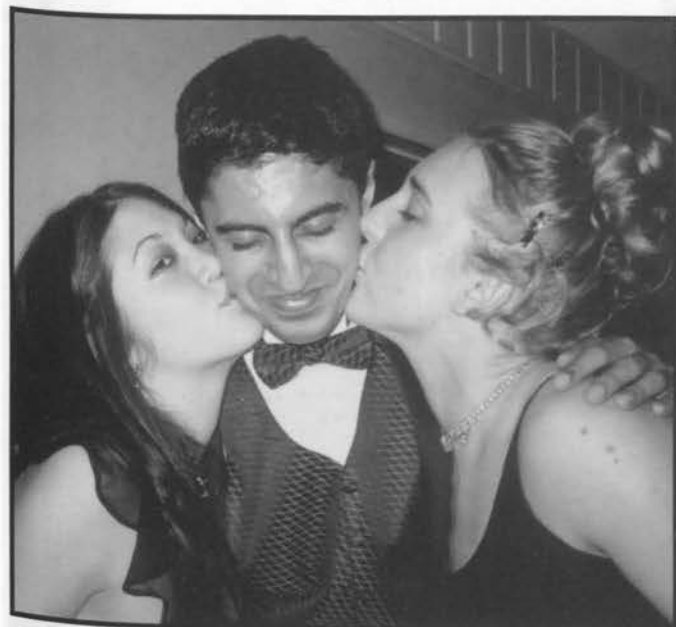


Far Right: "Don't worry Steve, the camera won't really steal your spirit."
Right: Angela Collins wondering why her husband brought a pen to the formal.



Left: This year's winner for "Most Inappropriate Face, Given the Circumstances" Award.
Below: In a moment of panic, M4's "Duck and Cover"

Middle Left: Will anyone pictured here please call Nathan Ratchford at home at 256-7467.
No really. Seriously call.

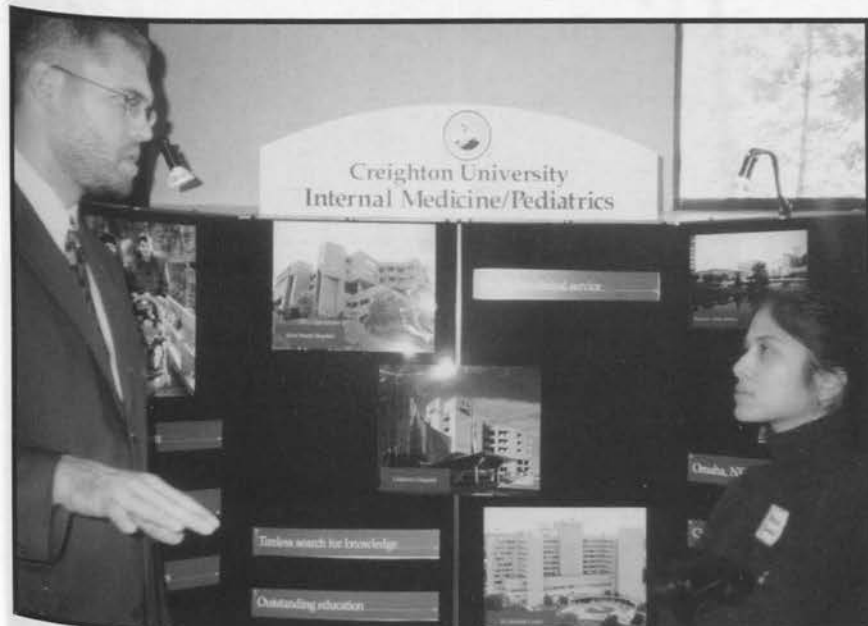


Above: Leighann Wieman, trying to turn her head a full 360 degrees

Residency Fair

The Annual Mizzou Residency Fair was held this fall in the Mezzanine of the hospital. Programs from all over the country came to display the ins and outs of their resident education. Medical students of all four years were invited to discuss options for their future.

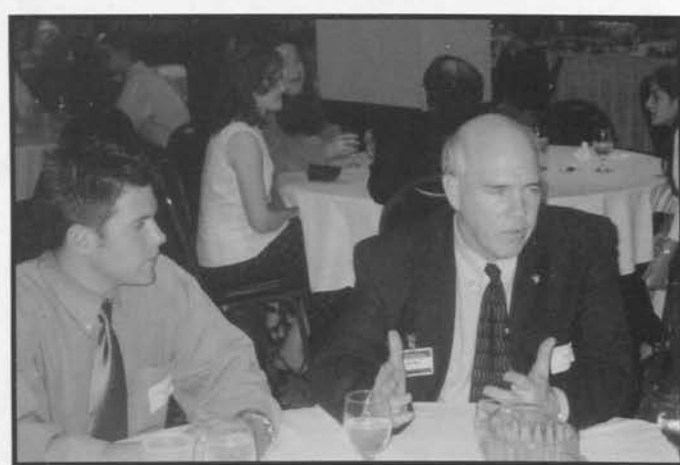




MUlation 2003

MUlation 2003 was held at the Peachtree Banquet Center on April 2, 2003. This year's MUlation Committee did a wonderful job organizing such a demanding event. Dr. Ted Groshong was the keynote speaker and he encouraged students to work as a team and to "dare to love their patients" in order to remain satisfied with their career choice. "When you look back on your medical school career, and especially on your career as physicians, it is that aspect of medicine that you will remember: Your Patients." - Dr. Ted Groshong





Tailgating

Right: Just two of the thousands of fans unwilling to watch the game

Below: Twelve M1's days before the lecture covering "eye openers"

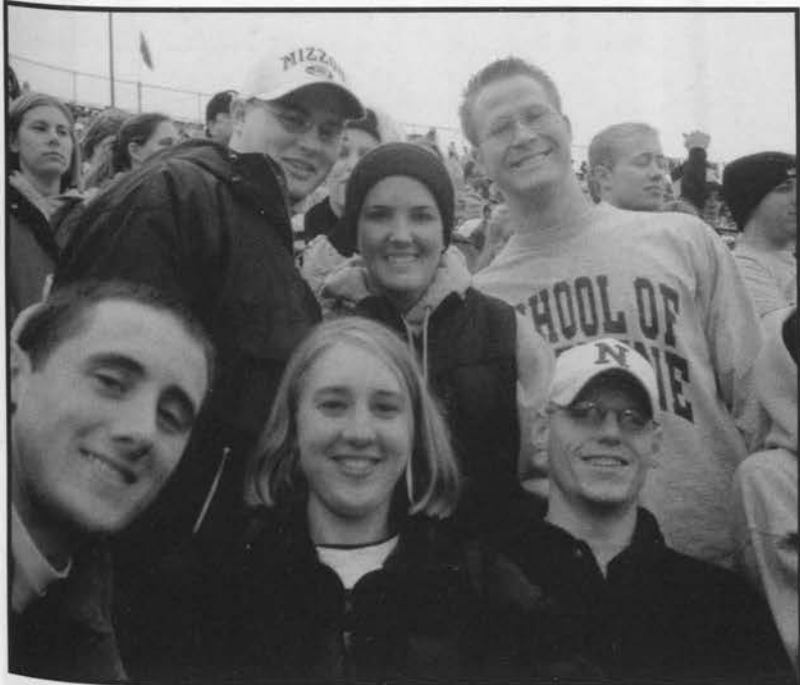


It's cold outside, but it's still way too hot for a penguin just to be out walking around.

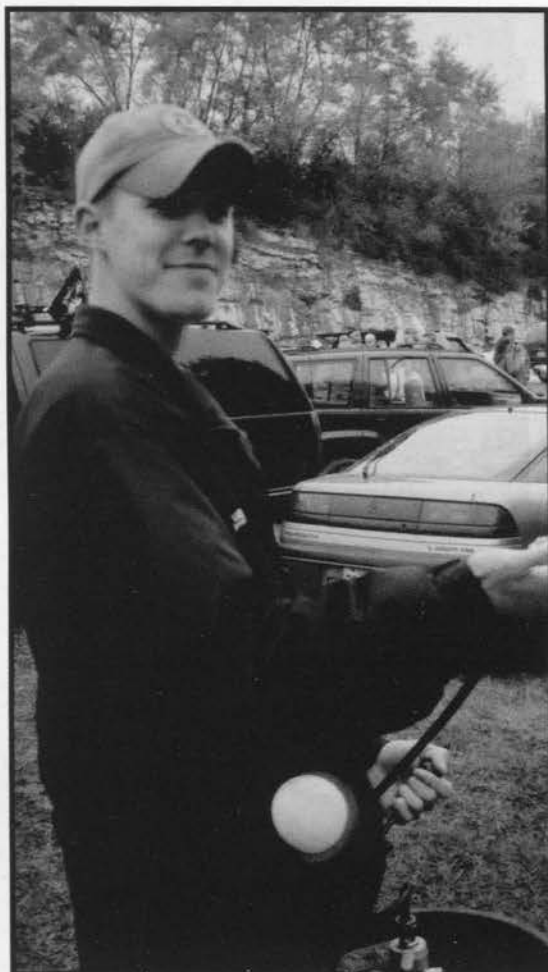


Above: Four M1's looking forward to four years of losing football.

Below: M1's enjoying the game before learning which team the Tigers were.



Above: If you squeeze in really closely, you can get in for half price.



"No, I didn't pee in my pants, I just accidently pushed this button and beer went all over me. No, really guys. I'm serious"

Weddings & Engagements



Top: Adam Fedyk proposes to Jennifer Fetsch at the top of the Empire State Building.

Above left: Hilary and Joe Frescoln said "I do" on August 18, 2001.

Above right: Chris and Kenza Park were married June 1, 2002.

Above: Guests shower Kurt and Kristen Tarwater with rose petals following their wedding ceremony on June 29, 2002.

Right: Curtis and Stephanie Hartman exchanged vows on June 30, 2001.



Far left: Brandon and Megan Larkin were married June 15, 2002. Left: April Thompson receives the garter after catching the bouquet at Brandon's wedding. Below: April and her fiancée Christopher Tritto at Yosemite.



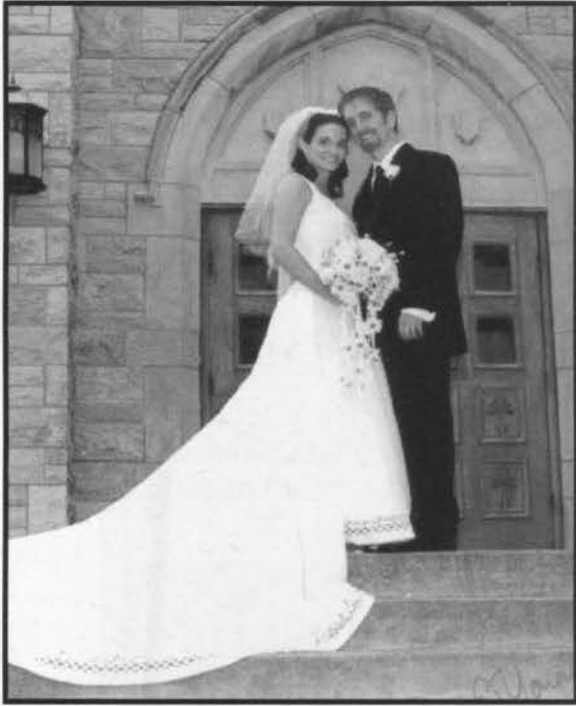
Above left: Stevany Lamphear and Tim Peters celebrate at their wedding reception.

Far left: Ryan and Kim Matthews wed on August 17, 2002.

Left: On October 19, 2002, Greg and Amy Zguta became husband and wife. Above: On June 29, 2002, Cassie and Wells Askew were united in marriage.



... More Couples Tie the Knot



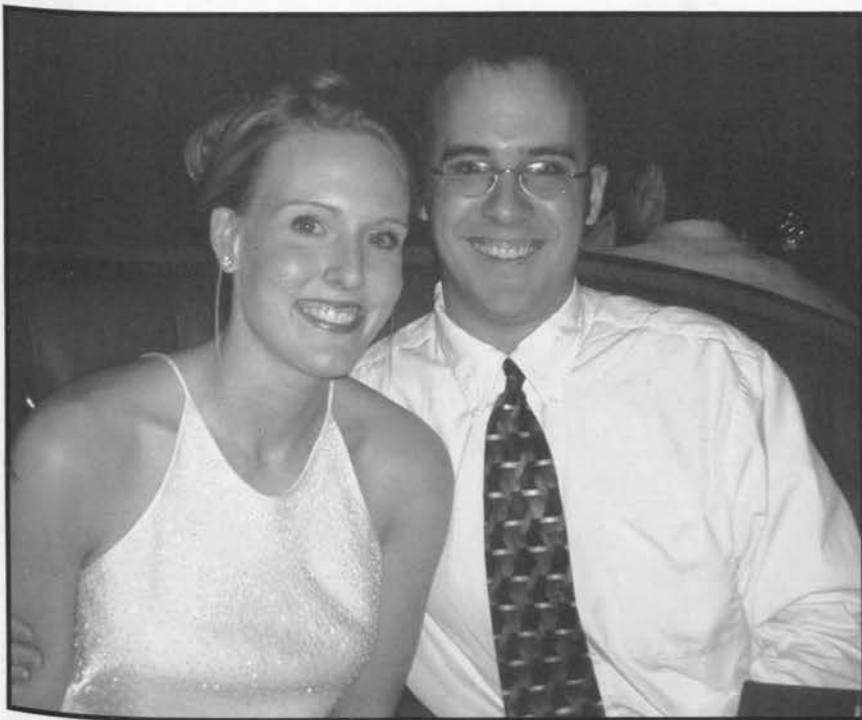
Top Left: Jeff and Cindy Willis outside the church where they were married on August 24, 2002.

Top Right: Minh-Thu and Vu Le with their family at their wedding on July 6, 2002.

Middle Left: Melody Truman and Chris Derrick are planning a Chicago wedding for March 13, 2003.

Above: With the St. Louis arch in the background, Kevin and Kathy Ponciroli smile for the camera after their August 17, 2002 wedding.

Left: Dan Bytnar and Cigdem Toroslu plan to be married on March 29, 2003.



Left: Christian Brodeur and Amanda Cully are planning a May 22, 2004 wedding.

Middle Left: Tim Maus and Molly Farnum will exchange vows on May 31, 2003.

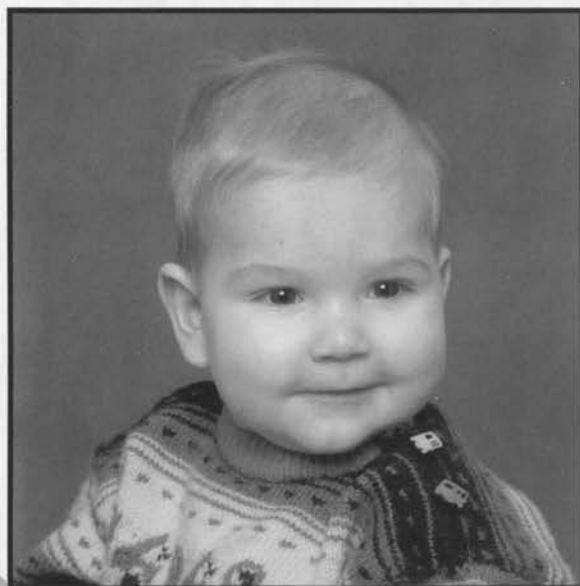
Middle Center: G.R. and Kadee Thompson were married in France on January 5, 2003.

Middle Right: John Oberlin smiles with his beautiful bride Lesley after their wedding on May 27, 2000.

Bottom Left: Josh Alpers with his fiancée Marleah Smith at Hilton Head. The couple will be married on March 13, 2004.

Bottom Right: Scott and Sarah Calhoun were united in marriage on June 15, 2002.





Top: Zoe Zimmermann, daughter of Amy and Andy, was born on December 17, 2002. . . just in time to celebrate Christmas.

Above Left: Eric Deutsch was blessed with the birth of his daughter, Emory, on October 18, 2002.

Above Right: Bridget Rutledge's son, Hayden Patrick, gets a hug from his teddy bear.

Left: Emily Coberly gave birth to Jacob Galen on July 4, 2002.

Babies Babies Babies!



Above: Matt and Donna Borgmeyer are the proud parents of Hudson Matthew.

Above Right: Sam and Able Medaris welcomed Daniel Dean into the family on December 8, 2002.

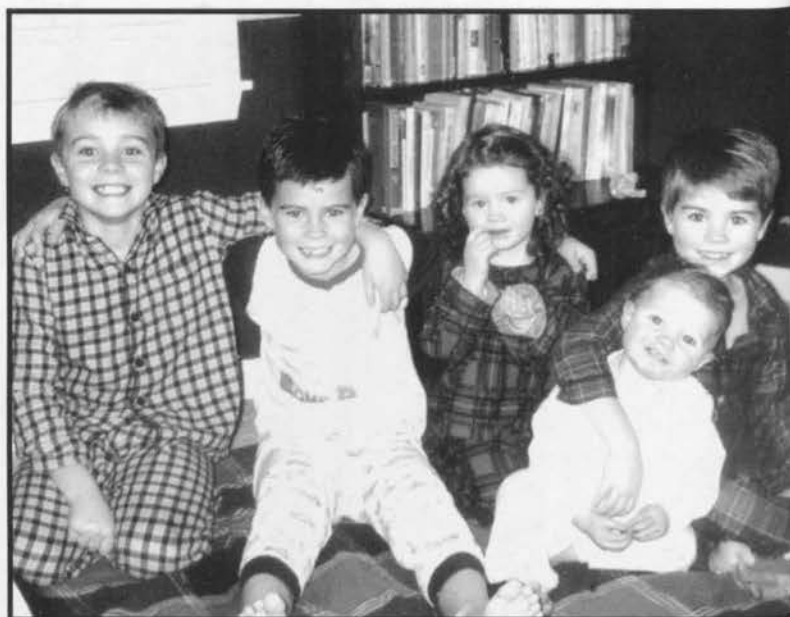
Right: Future football star Mitchell Van Cleave, son of Jessica, was born on August 19, 2002.

Below: Emily Grace Hubbard is Dena's first baby. How adorable!

Below Right: Josh and Michelle Ball welcomed Kayley Lynn into the world on January 28, 2003.



Even More Babies!



Top Left: Ben Leavitt's daughters, Katherine and Marie, smile for the camera.

Top Right: Simon McKeown's big beautiful family - Jonah, Christian, Sophie, Rosanna, and Rory.

Above: Mechelle Lewis naps with grandson Jasten who was born August 15, 2002.

Middle: Sam Medaris and Simon McKeown with their kids on Match Day.

Bottom Left: Mary Hogan gave birth to Emily Grace Louise Hogan on September 11, 2002

Bottom Right: Bryan Williams is the proud father of Lucas Alexander.



I n t r a m u r a l S * P * O * R * T * S

Boys Soccer



Girls Soccer



Boys Basketball



Girls Flag Football



Left: Julie Barton
playing defense.
Right: B.J. Schultz
flying down the
wing.



Year in Review

- U.S. and Russia Reach Landmark Arms Agreement
- Russia Joins NATO as Junior Partner
- Libya Reportedly Makes Offer to Lockerbie Families
- U.S. Withdraws from International Court Treaty
- House Passes Defense Bill
- Bush Refuses to Lift Trade Embargo on Cuba
- Spider-Man Smashes Box-Office Records
- Arthur Andersen Trial Begins
- Hormone Linked to Obesity Identified

- Afghan Vice President Assassinated
- England to Relax Marijuana Laws
- French President Survives Assassination Attempt
- Bush Announces Deficit
- American Taliban Member Pleads Guilty
- Senate Kills Drug Plan
- Balloonist Steve Fossett Completes Around-the-World Trip
- Hormone Replacement Questioned
- Stock Market Plunges

May 2002

June 2002

July 2002

August 2002

- Peasants Die in Mexican Land Dispute
- Hamid Karzai Elected President of Afghanistan
- U.S. Vetoes Peacekeeping Force in Bosnia
- Whistle-blower Testifies About Life at FBI
- Government Loan Bails Out Amtrak
- Court Declares Pledge of Allegiance Unconstitutional
- Scientists Discover Planet in Another Solar System
- Jury Favors Victim of Secondhand Smoke
- Brazil Wins World Cup

- UN and U.S. Refuse Inspection Talks in Iraq
- Israel and Palestinians Agree on Withdrawal Plan
- U.S. Imposes Sanctions on North Korea
- Germ Weapon Expert Denies Role in Anthrax Attacks
- Bush Proposes Easing Logging Laws
- Bush Scales Back Steel Tariffs
- Scientists Identify Hunger Hormone
- US Airways Files for Bankruptcy
- Baseball Strike Averted



Year in Review

- Switzerland Joins UN
- Gunmen Ambush Hindu Temple
- Mass Arrests at Global Financial Meeting
- Florida Primary Tainted by Voting Problems
- U.S. Mourns on Sept. 11 Anniversary
- Number of Poor in U.S. Increased in 2001
- Scientists Report New Type of Black Hole
- U.S. Sets Smallpox Vaccination Plan
- Federal Reserve Holds Rates Steady

- Alleged Bin Laden Tape Broadcast on Arab Network
- U.S. to Cut Fuel Shipments to North Korea
- NATO Expands by Seven Countries
- Republicans Retake the Senate
- Federal Appeals Court Expands Use of Wiretaps
- EPA Relaxes Clean Air Act
- Gates Pledges Millions to Fight AIDS
- Oil Tanker Splits Near Spain
- Vaccine May Prevent Cervical Cancer

September 2002 | October 2002 | November 2002 | December 2002

- Weapons Inspector Endorses U.S. Resolution
- Government Suspended in Northern Ireland
- North Korea Admits to Developing Nuclear Arms
- Sniper Preys upon DC Suburbs
- American Taliban Member Sentenced
- Bush Argues for Action Against Iraq
- Former Enron Official Charged
- Pope Canonizes Opus Dei
- French Oil Tanker Aflame in Yemen

- Sharon Conditionally Endorses Palestinian State
- North Korea Removes Monitors from Nuclear Devices
- Suicide Bomber's Strike Government Offices in Chechnya
- Lott Makes Divisive Remark
- Congressional Panel into Sept. 11 Attacks Critical of Intelligence Agencies
- Cloning Claim Greeted with Skepticism
- Scientists Compare Mouse and Human Genome
- Television Executive to Become First Black Owner of a Professional Sports Team
- Wall St. Firms to Pay Huge Fines

Year in Review

- North Korea Withdraws from Arms Treaty
- U.S. Deploys Troops to Persian Gulf
- Libya to Chair UN Human Rights Commission
- Bush Proposes New Tax Cuts
- Illinois Governor Commutes Death Sentences
- White House Announces Huge Deficits
- Mexican Earthquake Kills Dozens
- Scientists Report Finding of Winged Dinosaur Fossil
- Turner Steps Down from AOL Time Warner

- Mystery Illness Strikes Asia
- War in Iraq Begins
- Japan Launches Spy Satellites Over North Korea
- Senate Votes Down Alaska Drilling
- House Passes Budget Resolution
- Senate Votes to Slash Bush's Tax Cuts
- Broadway Musicians Strike
- FDA Calls for Bar Codes on Drugs
- *Chicago* Nabs Top Oscar

January 2003

February 2003

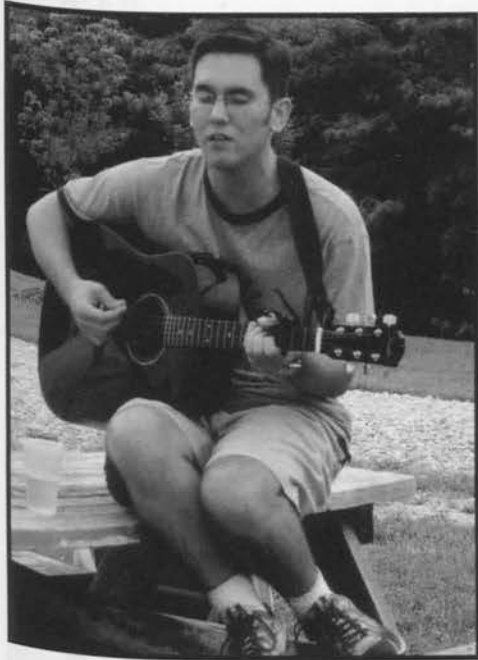
March 2003

April 2003

- Millions Gather to Protest War
- U.S., U.K., and Spain Say Iraq Has Failed to Disarm
- U.S. Says North Korea Has Restarted Reactor
- Space Shuttle Explodes
- Club Fire Kills 97 in Rhode Island
- Panel Criticizes Bush's Climate Plan
- Unemployment Rate Falls
- Astronomers Confirm Big Bang Theory
- AIDS Vaccine Fails to Prevent Infection

- U.S. Forces Enter Baghdad
- North Korea Reports It Has a Nuclear Bomb
- IRA Promises to Disarm
- Bush Orders Quarantine of SARS Patients
- FBI Agent and Informant Arrested
- Congress Approves War Funding Bill
- Colossal Squid Found
- SARS Genome Decoded
- Virginia Acts Against Spam

THE ARTIST FORMERLY KNOWN AS JASON HAND PRESENTS.....



MEDICAL STUDENT SYNDROME

“ I went to the doctor,
And this is what I said.
Doc if you don't cure me,
Then I might just end up dead....

‘Cause I've got:

“Necrosis, Mononucleosis, Histoplasmosis, Leu-
kocytosis,
I could have Myosis or a little Kyphosis, this
Psychosis fills my mouth with foam,

Look at my Scoliosis, a hint of Sarcoidosis, maybe Adiposis, Metabolic
Alkalosis,
Can't you cure this Med-Student Syndrome?

Well I can't drink any water cause of problems with Osmosis
And I can't drink any beer, for fear of Acidosis
I've broken out in hives with my itchy Keratosis,
Dermatologists can't cure my Akanthosis, cure my Akanthosis...

I fear Tuberculosis, with it's Phagocytosis, I think this might be
Neurofibromatosis
And Diverticulosis and my end-stage Cirrhosis, Atherosclerosis won't leave
me alone.

Ouch! Osteoporosis, Endometriosis, maybe Asbestosis look at all this
Fibrosis!
Can't you cure this Med-Student Syndrome...Can't you cure this Med-
Student Syndrome?"

The Bearded Dean

www.thebeardeddean.com

Hunter Group Profits \$30 Million for Hospital in first Week

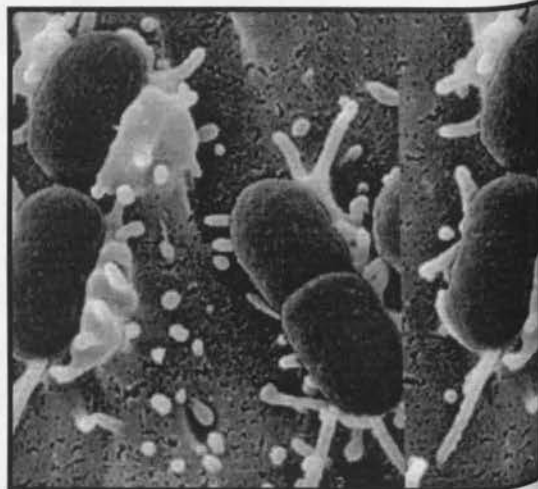
Turning a profit much faster than promised, the Hunter group of St. Louis, MO, garnered a record \$30 million profit for the hospital after only one week of management. In exchange, Hunter granted 20th Century Fox of Hollywood, CA exclusive intellectual property rights for its upcoming sequel to the 1999 cult classic "Office Space". Said James Evans of Hunter, "Introducing our consultants in the UHC system is the perfect setup for "Hospital Space" the movie. Take for instance, Michael Hosokawa. What does he do? Talk to the students and give their complaints to the administration. I suppose he's a people person. Get it? [Bursts into uncontrollable laughter]. Fox's understanding that there would be no problem typecasting the main character's token Indian friend expedited the studio contract.

CDC Releases "The Three-Second Rule" Guideline

Centers for Disease Control Director, Dr. Julie L. Gerberding, released a statement on Friday regarding the latest CDC guideline.

"The public has inquired for decades as to how long after dropping a piece of food can one pick it up and eat it. After several years of research, the CDC is confident to say that the answer to that question is three seconds," said Dr. Gerberding.

The statement was released after completion of a double-blind controlled study. Subjects were randomized to eat hard candies and fried corn chips that were either fresh or dropped on the floor. They were then asked to evaluate their symptoms after one hour, six hours, twelve hours and one day. It was found that a substantial increase in symptoms was seen for foods that were dropped on the floor for over three seconds.



OB-Gyn Department Moves Again

The MU department of obstetrics and gynecology relocated this weekend to a second floor apartment above Puckett's Formal Wear, 906 E. Broadway. The move, which lasted well into the night, was accomplished by two residents and one attending, the lone remaining members of a vanishing staff. "It was a bitch carrying that lithotomy table up those narrow stairs," said department chair Dr. John Gay. "We left a few of the bigger patients at Columbia until Monday. One of our med students has a pickup he said we could borrow for that."

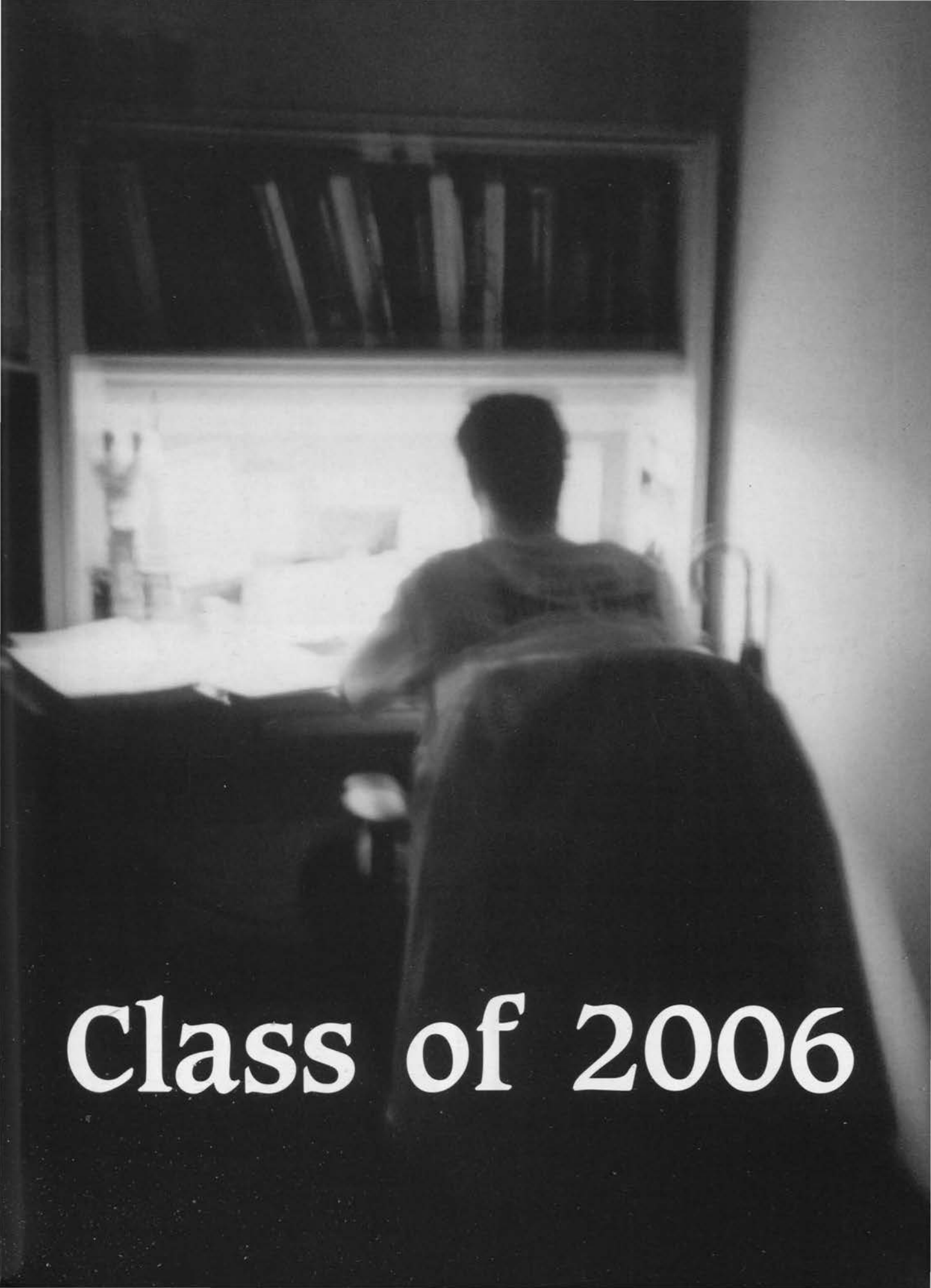
Budget woes force cut of medicine from first year curriculum

"We found it was in the school's interest to charge tuition to first year students, but not actually begin teaching until the second year. Besides, half the students are so geeked up just to be in med school - we're just hoping that euphoria lasts until their check clear."

Introducing the William Roland Fall Tie Collection



Available only in Red Knit with American Flag Pin



Class of 2006

Family and friends keep the M1s sane



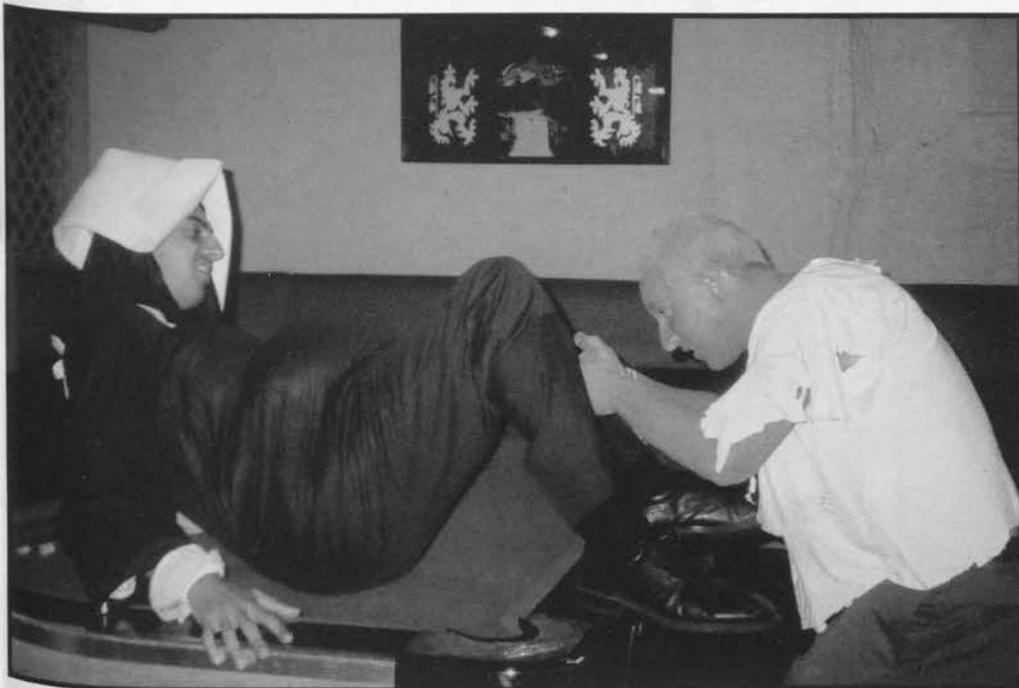
Above: Congratulations Matt and Faith John



Right: Granny Kathleen and Grandpa Kendall keep an eye out for all the young folks in class.

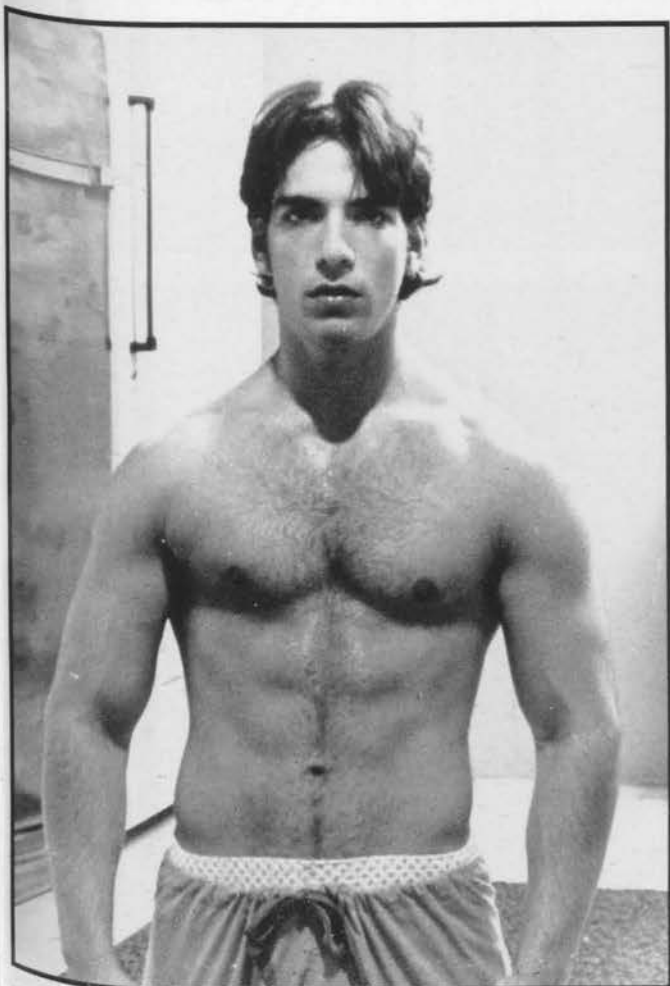


Beer and stress make the M1s crazy



Left: Student Nun Fahd delivers a healthy baby girl!

No Biohazard Boy! Don't eat Toto!



Above: Josh gets attacked by a shark on the float trip.

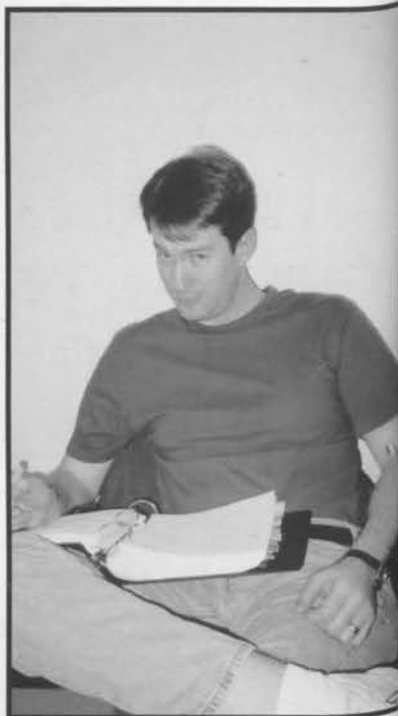


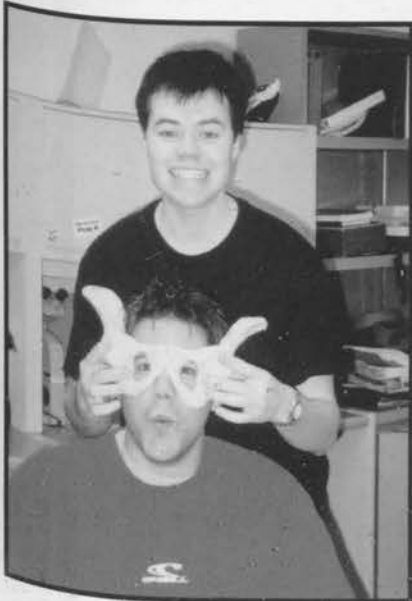
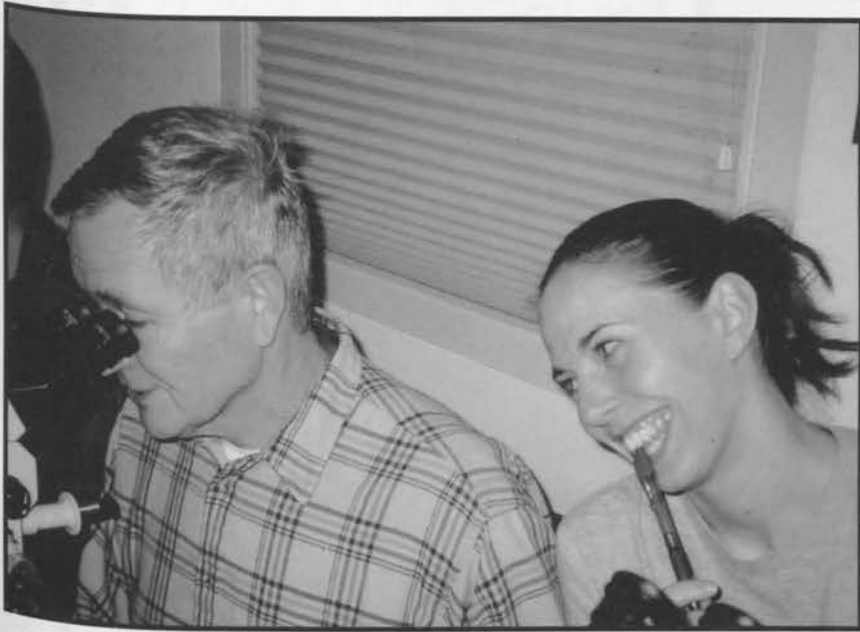
Below: Is your head vibrating Blair?

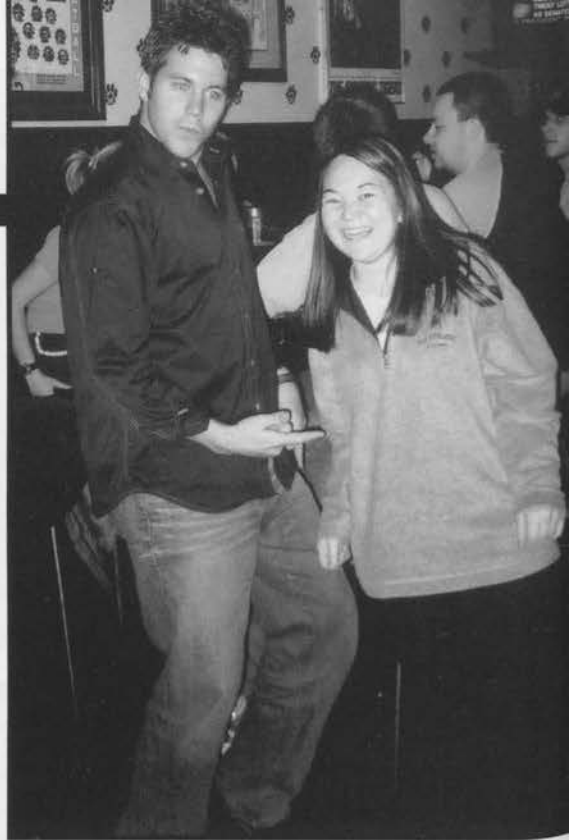
Above: Watch out Dr. Freeman, Leighann can't handle another PBL test.

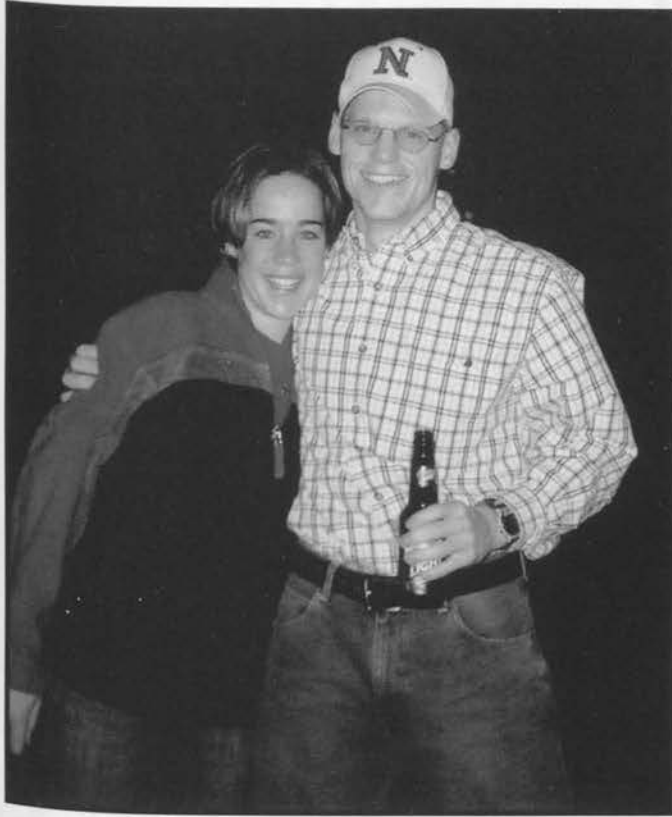
Left: Gino is obviously trying to compensate for something.

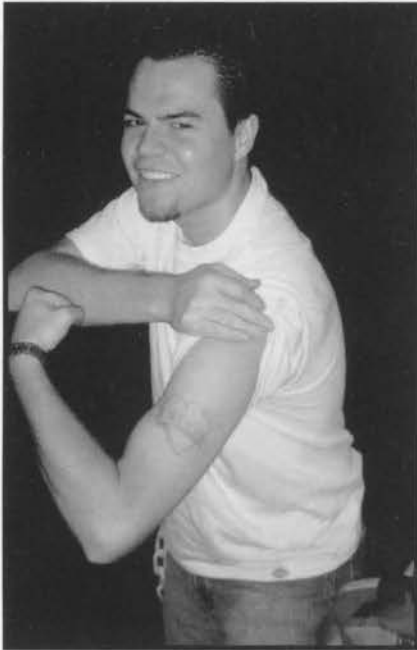








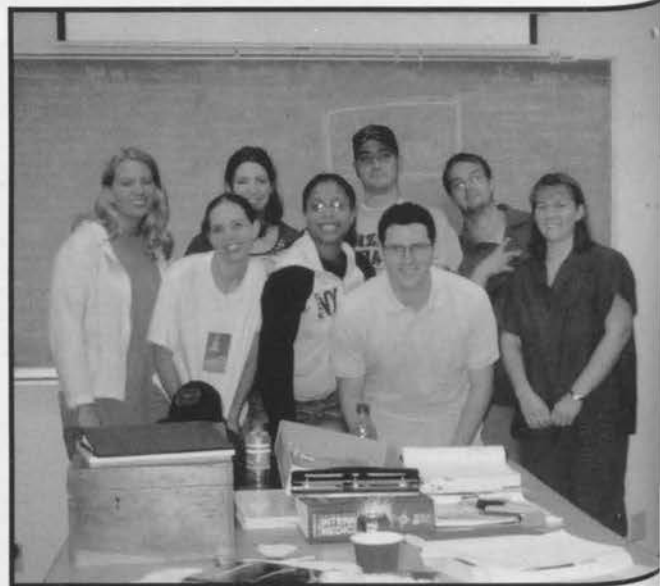
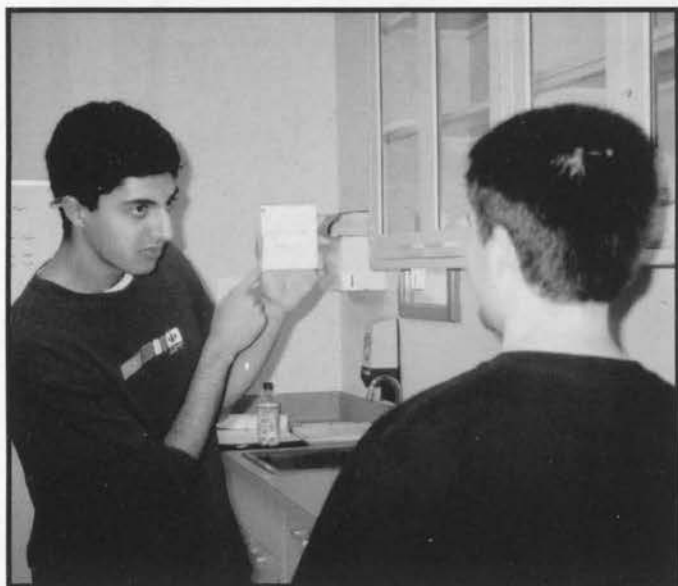


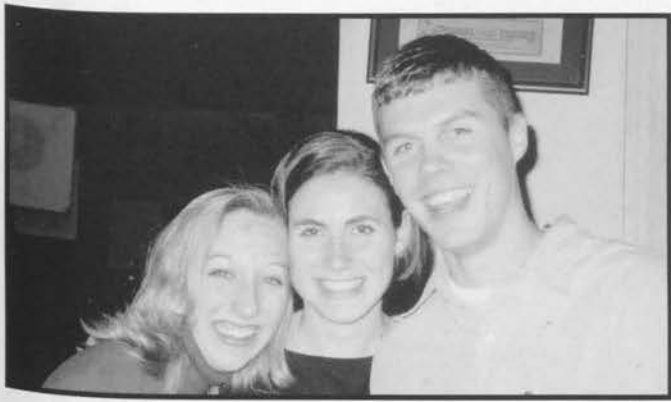


M1s hard at work











Above: What are you guys smiling about?



Right: Bridgette and Kristin rule the front row.



Above: Ayanna and Chris love being student doctors.

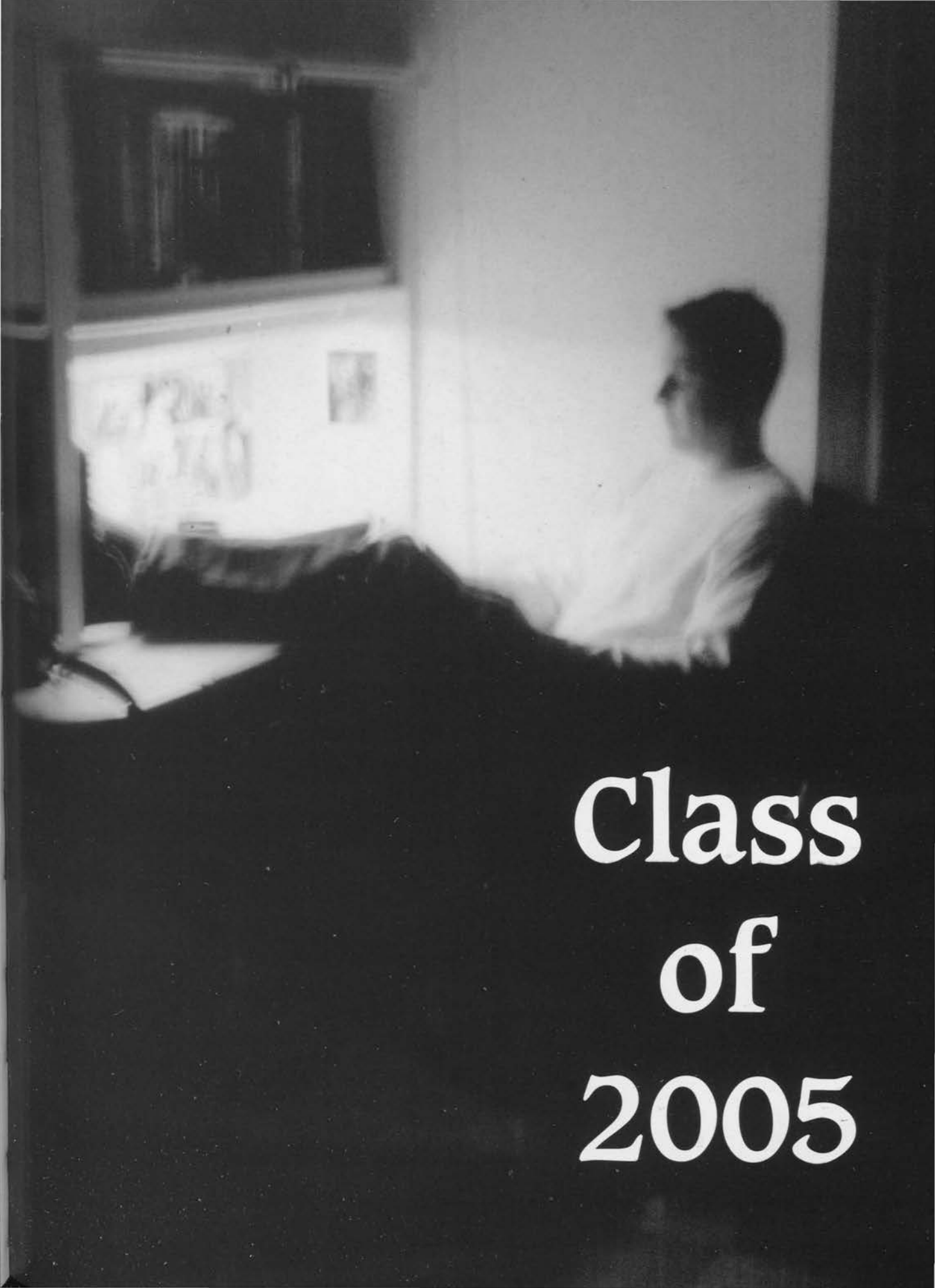


Above: M1 men sing for the ladies at Buffalo Wild Wings.

Below: The Cobras: Monica, Julie and the Joshes.

Right: Laura and Nick look for gram negative cocci.





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On Halloween, David Zub and Courtney Barr show off their costumes at Deja Vu dance club. Barr, as little red riding hood, said, "my, my, what a hairy chest you have!"

Jill Quigley wrestles with Katie Rau's boyfriend at Jay Snow and Bradley K. Harrison's "after prom" party.



As characters from Space Balls, Adam Jackson and Brent Thieman draw lots of laughs at Terrortoma.

Saved by the Bell's Slater (Kevin Clary) toasts Fragile X Games player Nathan Brummel at Terrortoma.

Funny man Jay Snow welcomes people to his house for the first, the first of many, "after-bar"-parties.

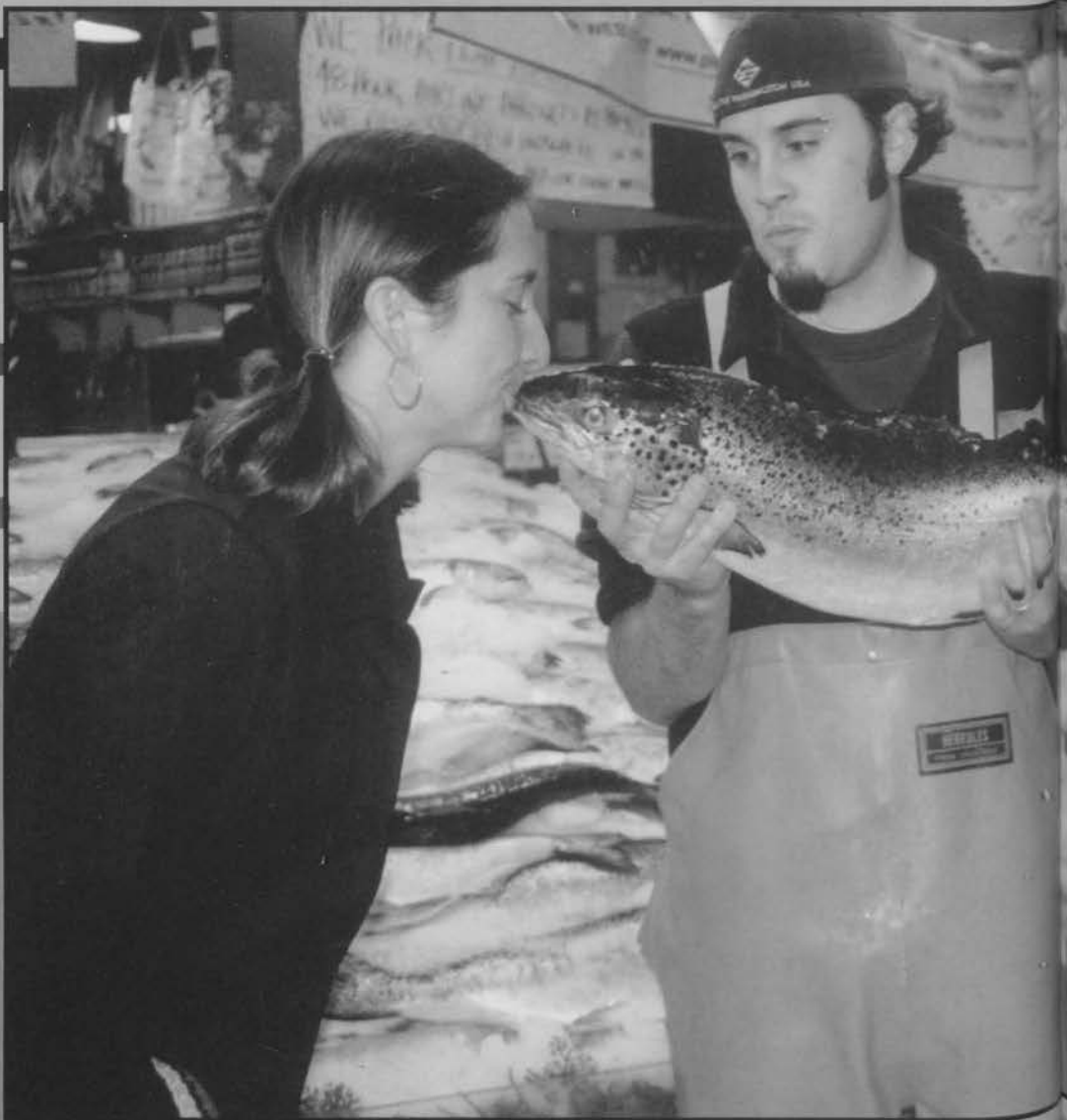


“Someone puked on the couch--that was cool, so the class bought us a new couch . . . I think. . .” --Jay Snow



Kathy Weiss gets “fresh” with her salmon at Pike’s Place Market during the SIGHT officers’ trip to Seattle, Washington. “That fish was the best action I had gotten in a long time,,” said Weiss.

While on a trip to Seattle, Kylie Vannaman and Monette Castillo slurp their first oysters.

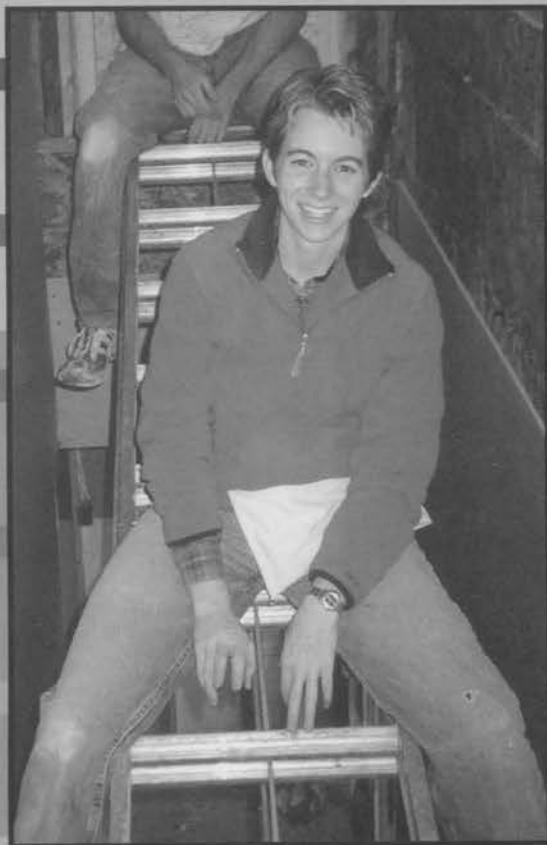


Mike Luttrull, Evan Williams, Kathy Weiss, Jason Smith, Nathan Brummel and Mike Williamson goof off in Mexico.

At a clinic in Bella Vista, Mexico, Christy Obrecht helps with blood glucose screening.



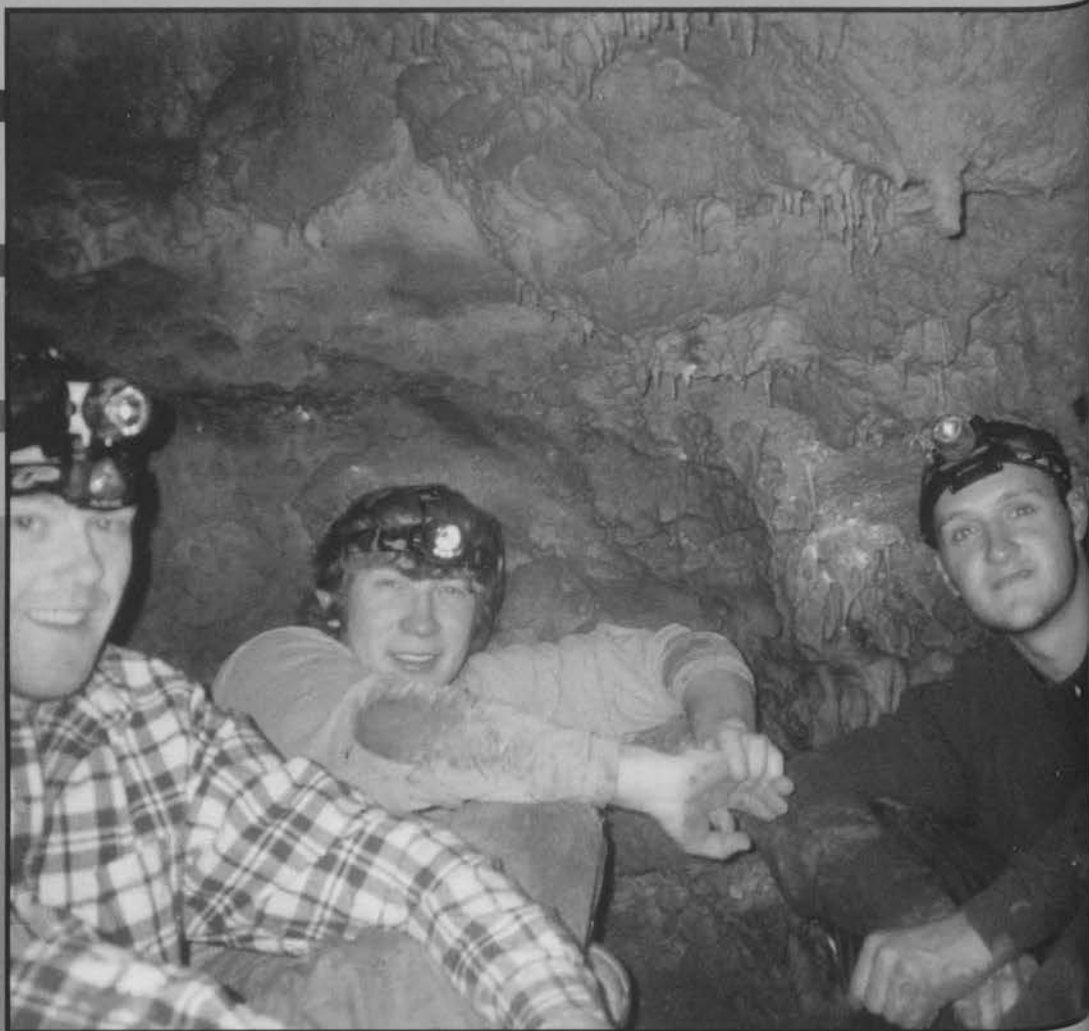
Perched on a ladder, Melissa Stevens helps Kipp and Kylie Vannaman build their new house.



“**M**y first oyster matched the consistency of (I imagine) cadaver fat, but it surely tasted much better.” -Rachel Kerford

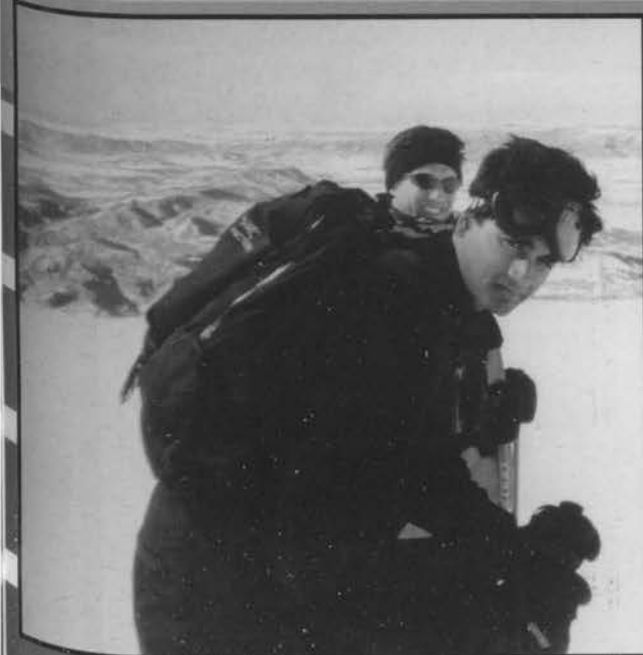
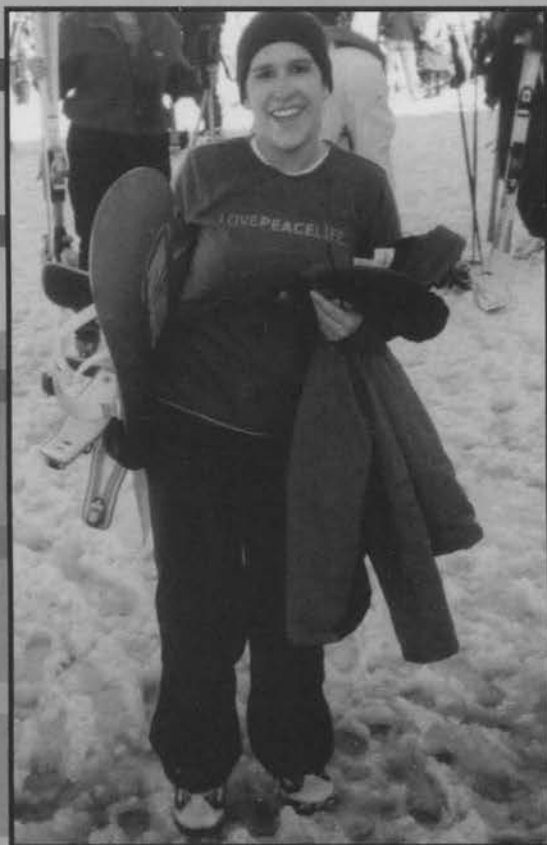
The Wilderness-Mountain Society took many trips, one of which was to the School House Cave, where Marcus Monroe, Jason Smith, and Courtney Barr are pictured here.

Skiers Evan Williams and Ravi Komatireddy stop on the back peak at SteamBoat Springs before tackling yet another black.



Above, the Wilderness Mountain Society poses for a (MUDDY!) picture after a spelunking trips. Kevin Clary, Jill Quigley, and Kathy Weiss pause at the base of the main lift at Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

On her last day at SteamBoat Springs, Alisa Sweat decided to try her hand at snowboarding and, garbed in her "love-peace-life" t-shirt, fit in quite well. . .



“Once, as I picked myself up off my ass, some 5-yr old zoomed by, saying, “Big boy fall down. . .”-Kevin Clary

With face hidden between the pages for anonymity (it's David Haustein, ha! ha!), Adam Wheeler practices the skills he will need for his first/upcoming performance of a GYN exam. Olga Rudomiotov watches in amusement.

Amy Bloch starts her very first IV line during the practical skills lab, block 7, while Dr. Eugene Worth instructs.



Ellis library provides Alicia Fazzaro a favorite place to spread out for one of her late nights of studying.

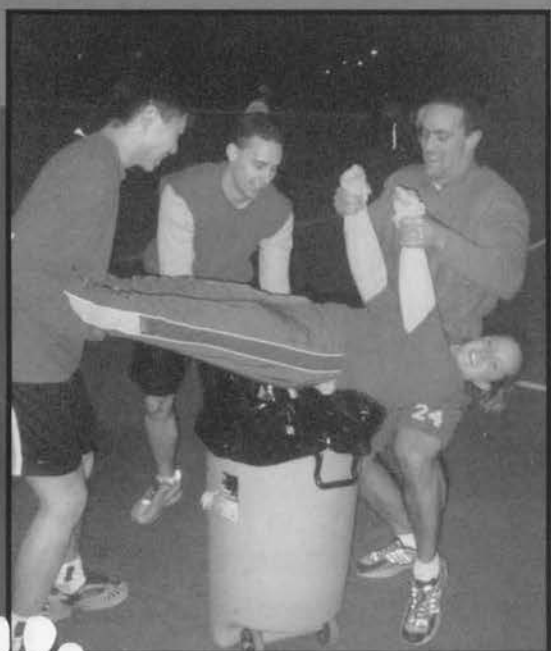
Lab partners Rusty McCulloh, Alisa Ash, and Julia Edlund take a break from lunch for a photo.

Jeff Lehmen receives instruction on the proper technique for inserting a vaginal speculum; Julia Edlund and **A**lisa Ash practice the breast exam in the background.



“I may have passed out twice, but at least I didn’t need stitches [like his little brother’s 150 after ACE].”-Adam Wheeler

After one of the many M1/M2 coed flag football team's victories, pranksters Benson Hsu, Tim Reid and Kevin Clary attempt to stuff Danielle Reed in the trash.



The coed flag football team shows off T-shirts won for beating AFROTC for the intramural championship.

Bradley K. Harrison gets caught in a pose that, combined with vest, could be called 'classic Bradley' style.

Christine Shank, Alicia Fazzaro, Sabrina Adams, Robin Dobsin and Monica Willis gather near the end of the night at Sophias for Angie Ailor's wedding reception.

Joanne Grayson carves a pumpkin at one of the holiday parties.



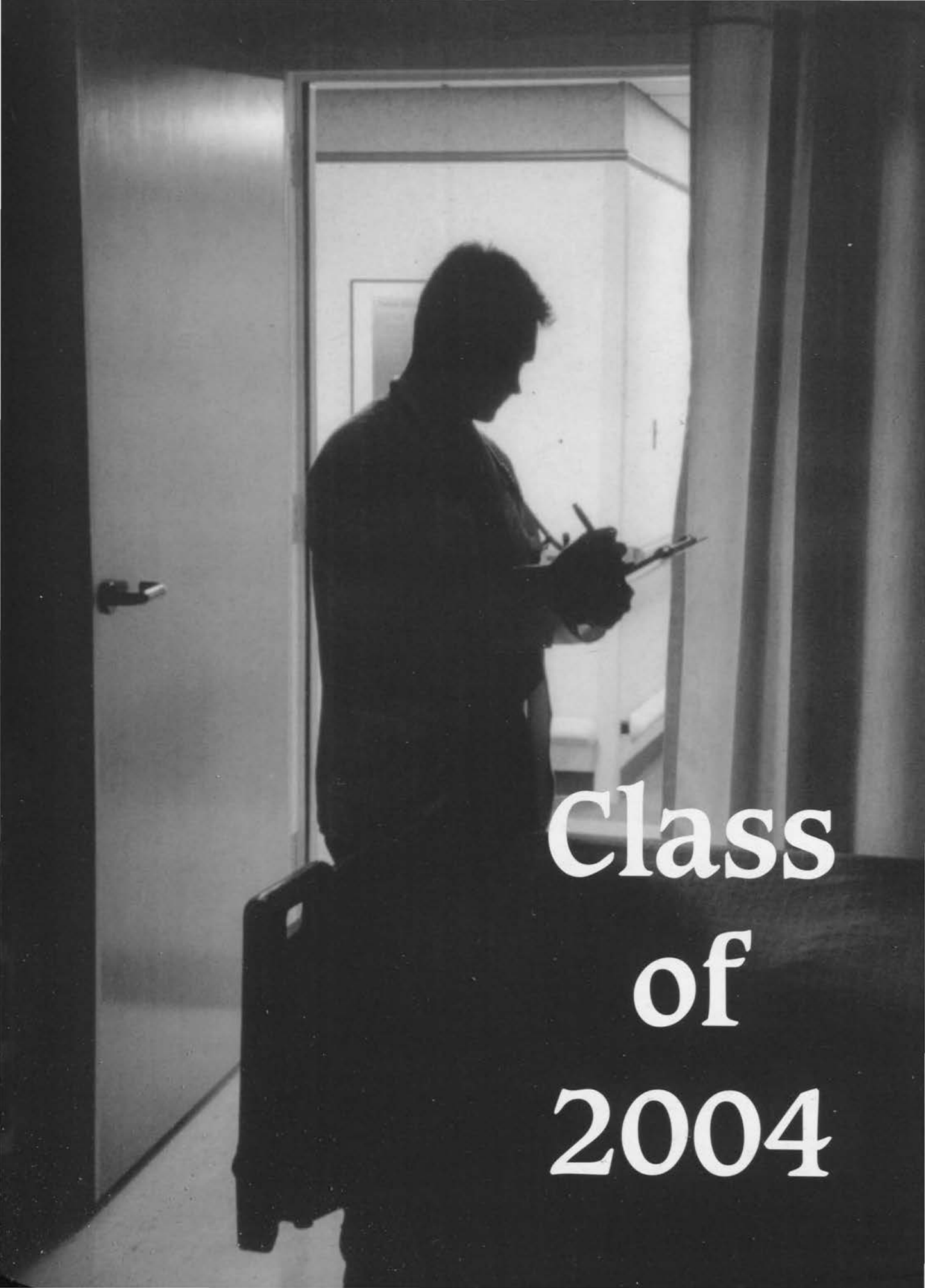
“Kevin had tried to put me in the trash before; this time he got back-up, but I still prevailed!!!” --Danielle Reed

During the break between blocks 7 and 8, Sabrina Adams and Alicia Fazzaro relaxed on a cruise (and even shared their fluorescent green wigs) with new-found friends.

Angie Ailor gets a big hug from Jeremy Katcher at the reception for her and Ben Liess' recent wedding.

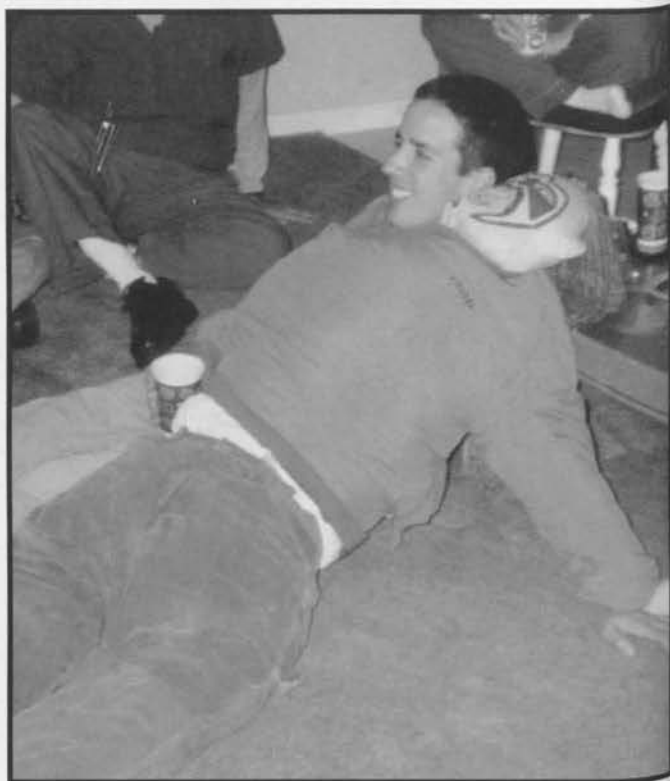


Washington D.C.'s FDR Memorial serves as a back-drop for this group photo: Julie Mirner, Kevin Boyd, Joanne Grayson, Amy Bloch, David Meyer and Dave Zub.



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Right: It took Jeff a full 3 days to realize Megan replaced herself with a giant stuffed doll.

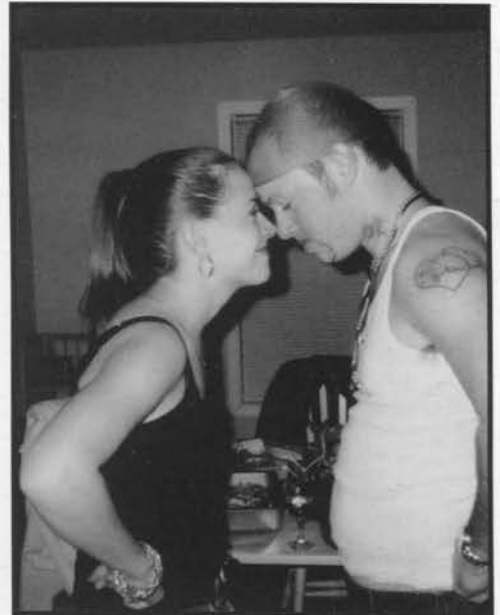


Top Left: Oh boy, "Another candle holder. Life is worth living!"

Bottom: Nicole, Adam, and Mark were pretty red in the face when they found out it wasn't a costume party.

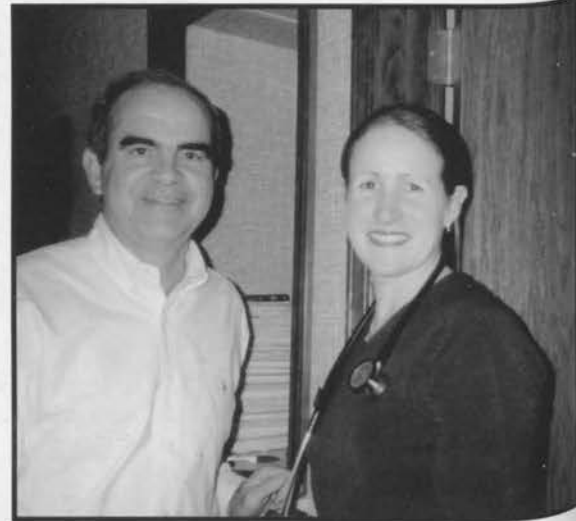
Right: One day when you've grown up, Elizabeth, everyone will envy you for your athleticism too.





Right: Thank God Kleiber tied his drawstring tight.

Below: With Reinburg as his assistant, Dr. Rangnagar needs 3 step stools.



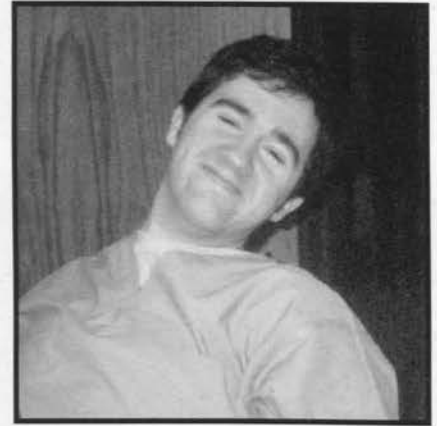
Above: Surya and Shazia look on to make sure Julie chews every bite 20 times.

Middle Right: Why does Jean Ann's preceptor keep grabbing for her Stethoscope?

Right: We tried hard, but there's nothing funny to say about this picture.



Left: Distraught from his psych rotation, Kleiber spends his lunch break with 3 imaginary friends.



Above: Ben, relax a little!

Left: Waxing endless stories about pathology, Kyle mistakenly thinks he's made his first friend in the M3 class.



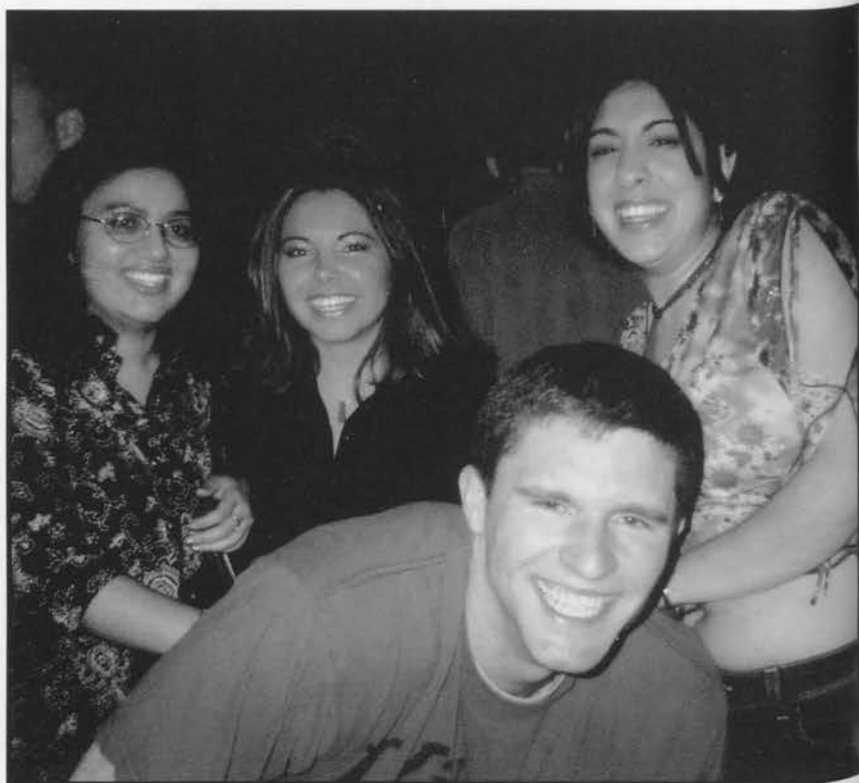
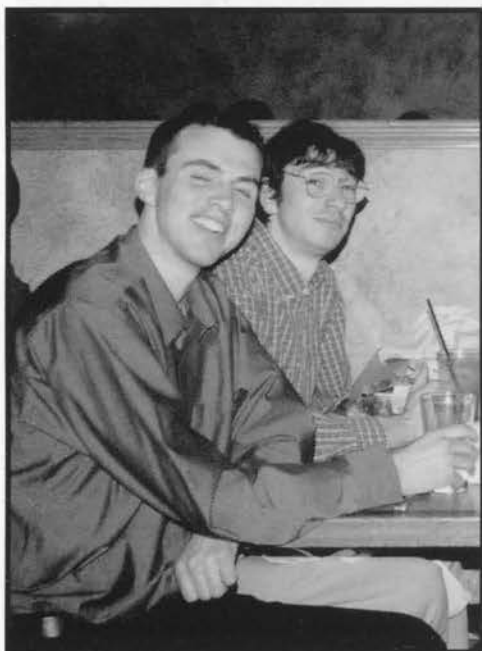
Left: Sam "AC Slater" Pate single handedly attempts to make the

Left: 30 minutes into his surgery clerkship, Ryan slices off his right thumb.



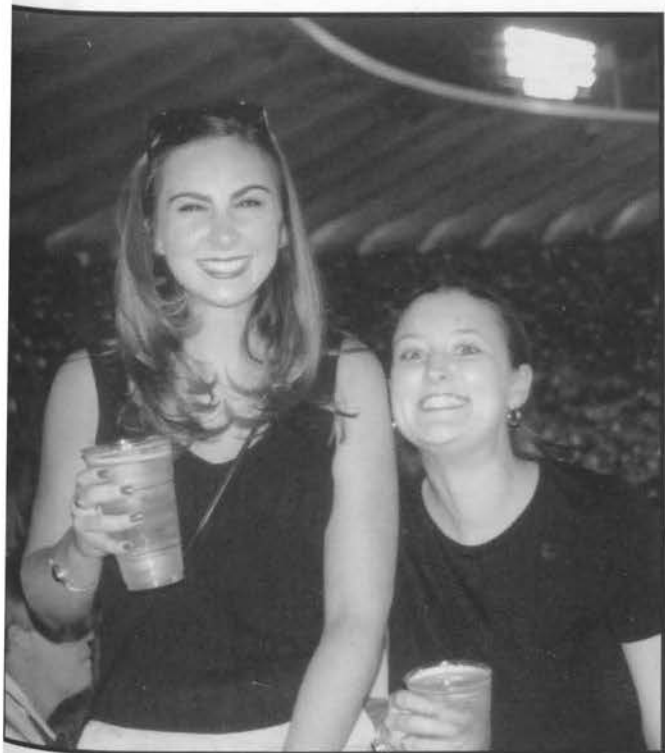


Right: Are they really excited about the game, or just excited about the big beers?

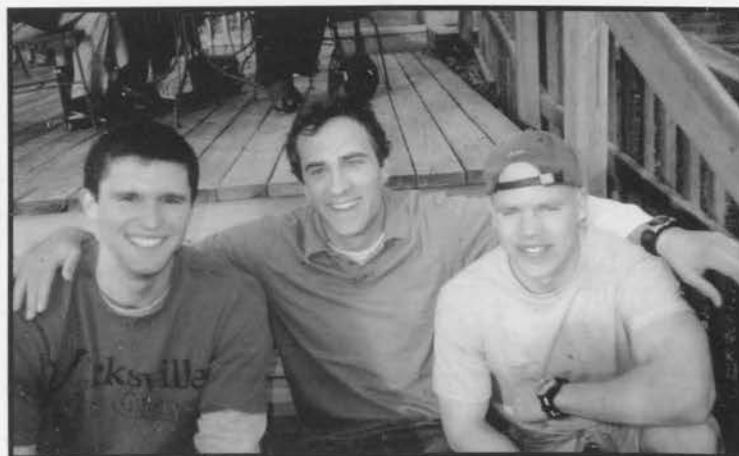


What do all these events have in common...beer and bad medicine jokes.





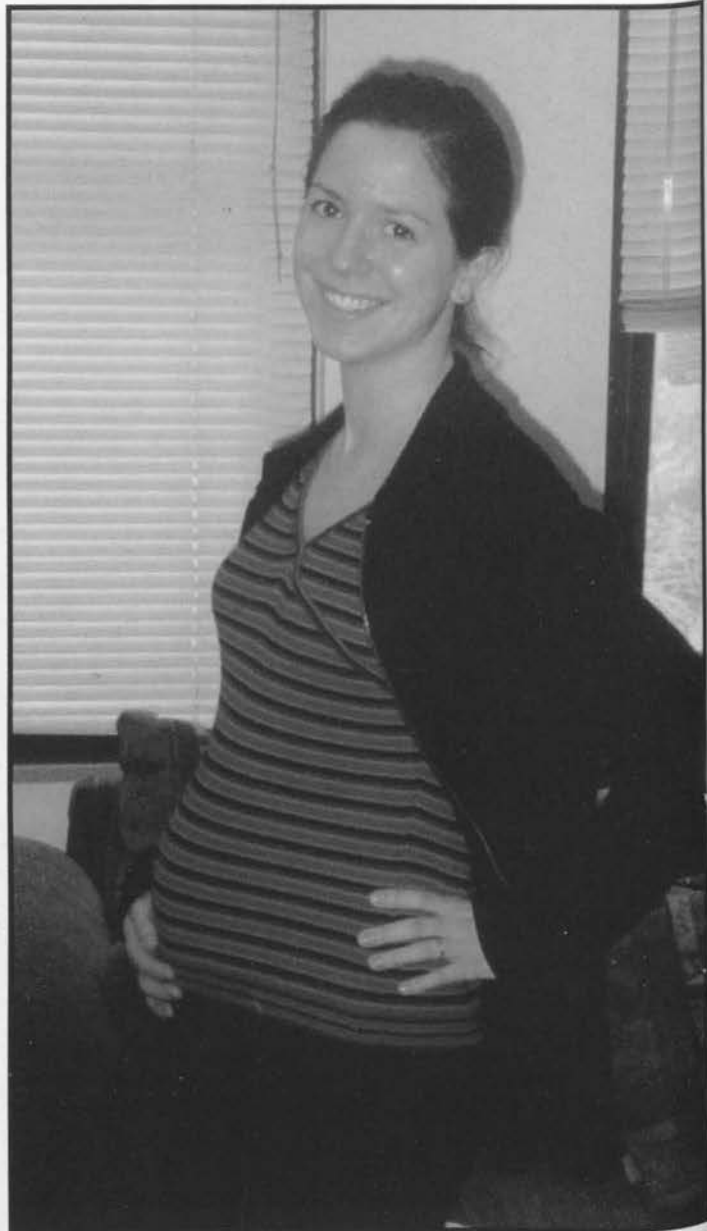
Below: M3's out enjoying the 45 minutes of sunshine per day that is permitted in the courtyard.



Left: Three good lookin' dudes spending an afternoon alone at the winery. What's wrong with that?

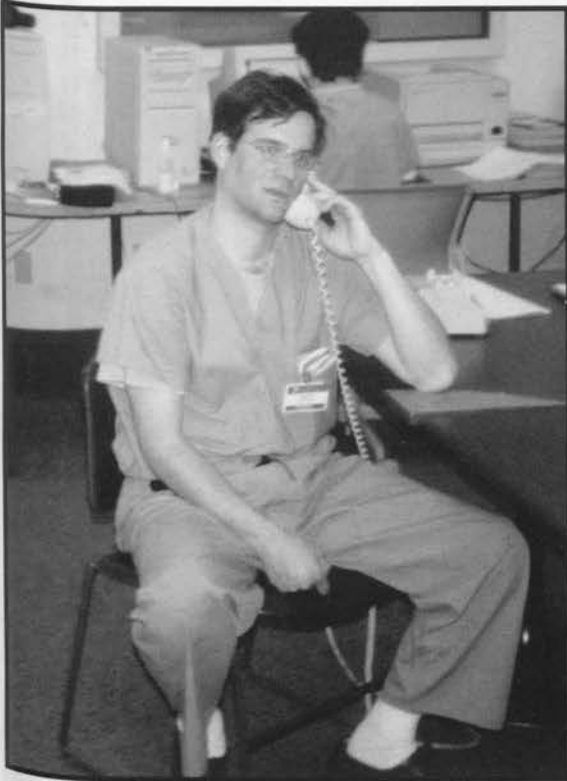
**M3 Laurel impregnated by
a Family Practice resident-
wonder if she got an A?**

**Below: Feigning surprise, Hoyt
acts as if he has never been
pushed in a locker.**



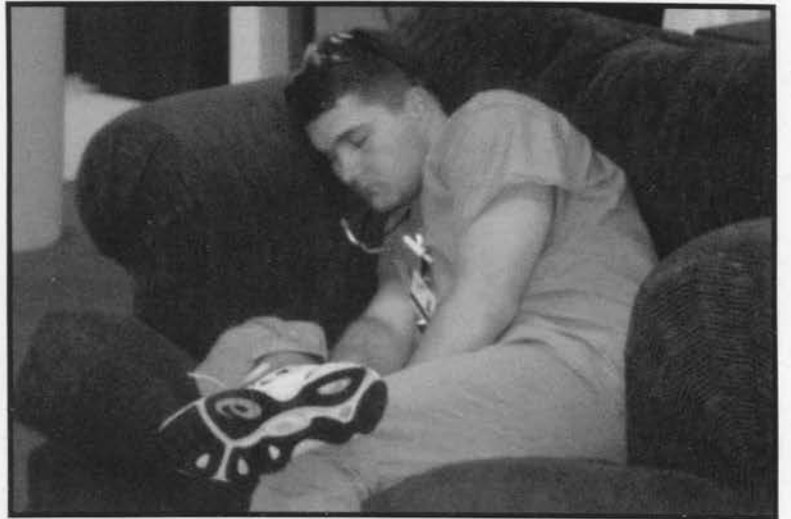
**Above: Laura finds the lec-
tures much more tolerable
after a few drinks.**

**Right: If this whole med
school thing doesn't work
out, Chris always has a
shot to sell bananas.**



Left: Blake thinks: Why do I always get paged at the beginning of Joe Millionaire.

Below: Luke tricks Damien into eating a teeny weenie he found in the toilet.



Middle Left: Feeling sorry for the guy that struck out with every female M3, Farber willingly accepts Blake's advances.

Middle Right: OK, now we definitely need to get this chair cleaned.

Left: Out of Allison's line of sight, Hoyt sneaks a quick kiss on Kleiber's ear.

Four Weddings and a Baby



Right: Ratchford shows off his newborn he "borrowed" from the well baby nursery.



Above: This marriage is only recognized in a few states.



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Below: Kristen and Trisha see stars at her bachelorette party.



Above right: Ryan likes kitties...

Right: ...and Christina.



Below: Josh Kesterson prepares to kick off his Sunday shoes.



Below: Lindsay Wiles hugs her sugar bear on a trip to San Francisco.



Above: Hilary was secretly horrified when Melody insisted on biting the heads off every Gingerbread Man.

Left: Tariq keeps his eyes on the prize.



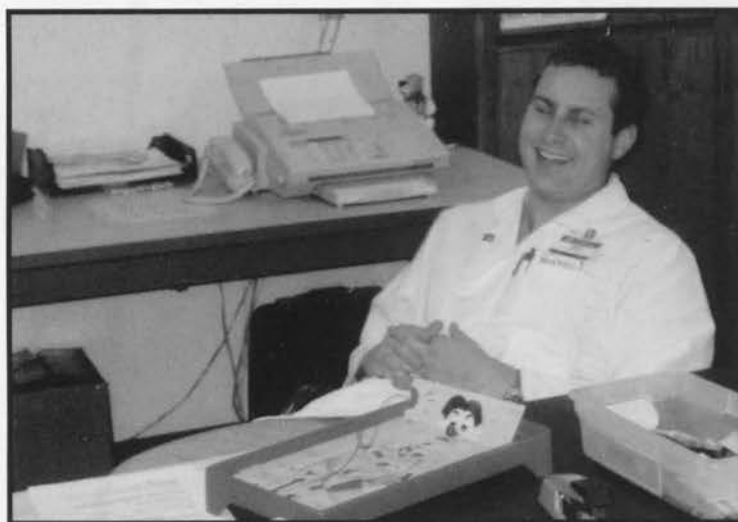


This page: Scenes from
the class holiday party at
Cherry Street Artisan,
December 2002.



Right: Andi Slaughter hits the beach in Florida.

Below: Future surgeons hard at work, even in their free time.



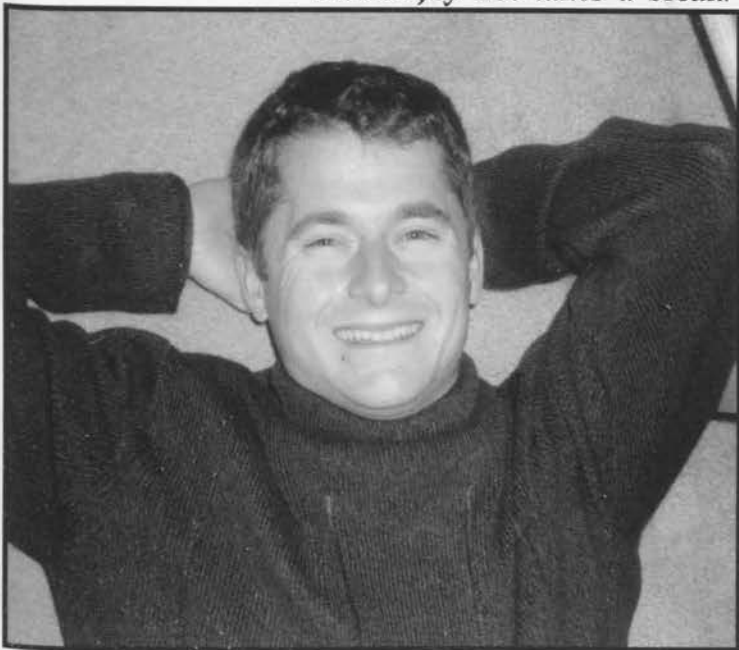
Right: It was all fun and games until Jorge lost an eye.





Above: The first and only performance of M4 rap "artists" Nitrous and the Oxides.

Below: Jay Dot takes a break.



Tim Maus (above) and Trish Taylor (below) smile for the camera.



Curtis Harman enjoys the feel of a freshly ironed scrub top.

Right: Urology Match Day. Harpo's on a Thursday night seems like the perfect place and time to look for people behaving like their organ of choice.



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Above: "A life of taking care of sick kids? We'd better start drinking!"



Above: Hilary and Tessa enjoying a beautiful day in Missouri



M4's Enjoy the Great Outdoors



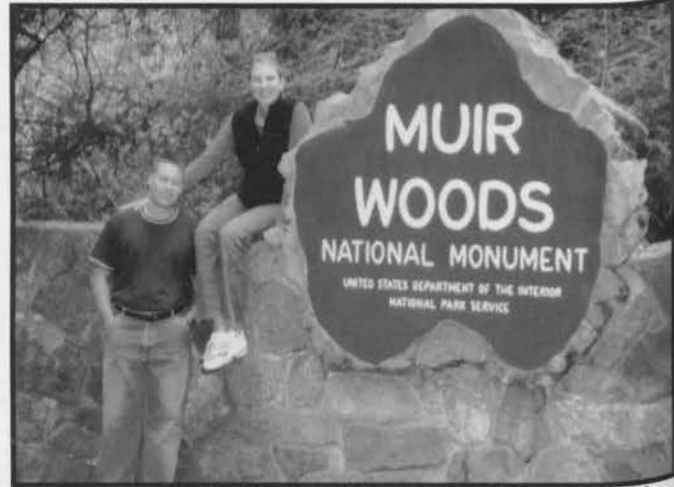
Hilary and Joe get cozy among the trees



Chandra takes in the ocean breeze



The Curry's go hiking



Nathan and Lindsey Wiles vacation at Muir Woods National Monument



Kurt, Maggie, and Charlie prepare for Halloween



Nate goes back for a pass



Trisha shows off her diving prowess



Above: Andi Slaughter and Marcy Swogger bask in the Florida Sun.

Right: Mary McBride and Angeline DeiSanti prepare for the big St. Patty's Day Race





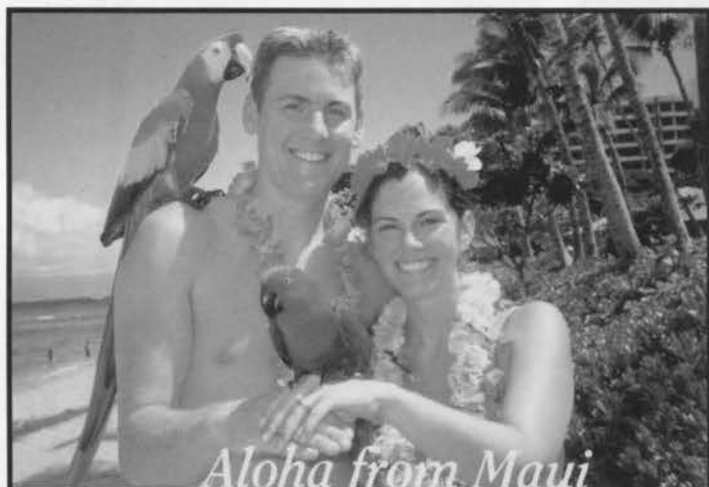
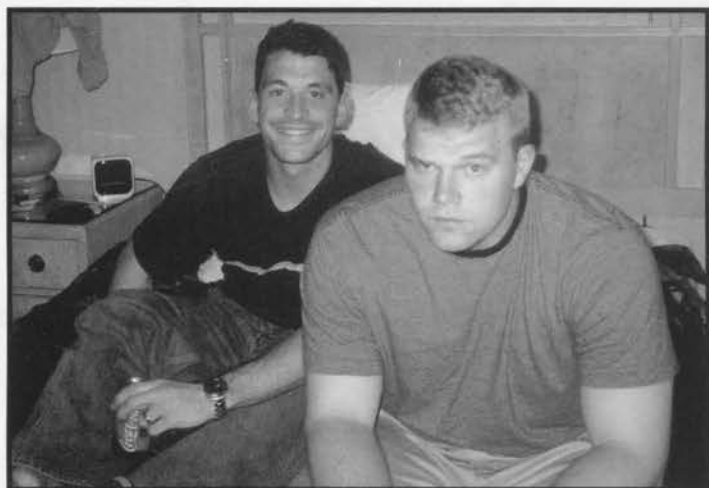
On his wedding day, Brandon proves that a baseball hat is appropriate for any occasion

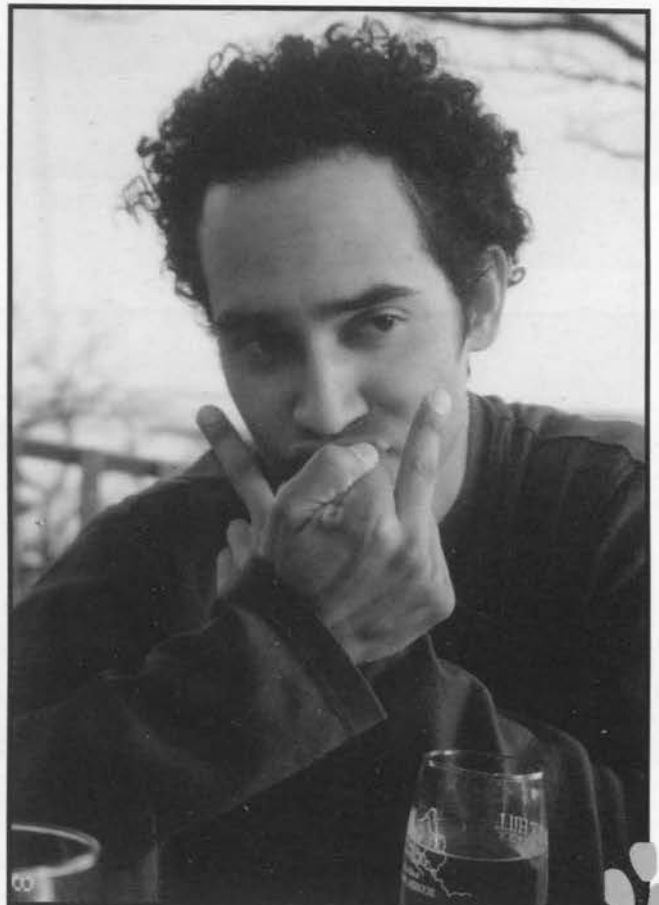


Molly, Kenza, Alison, Ryan, and Tim help celebrate Cigdem and Dan's big day.



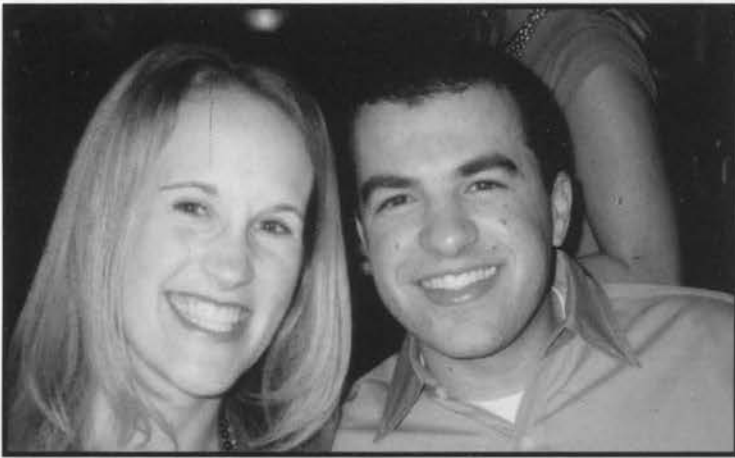
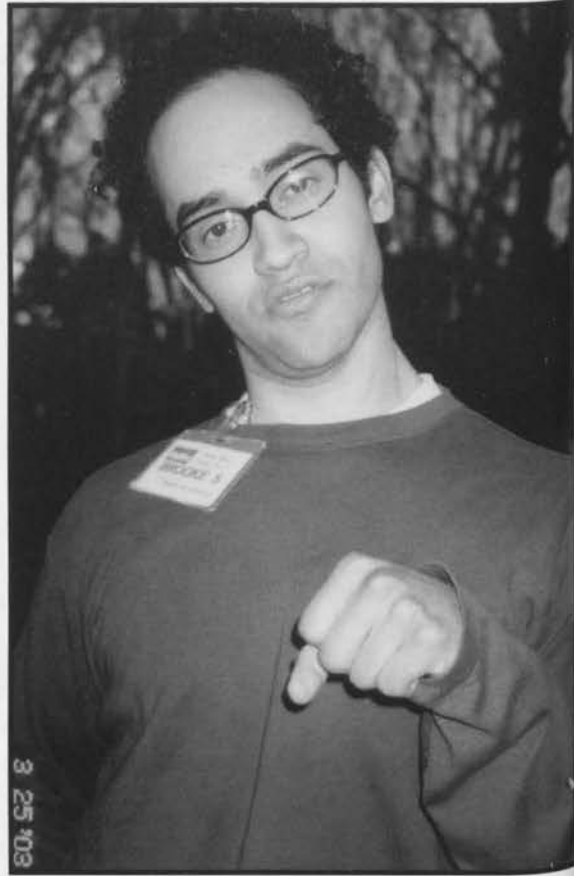
M4's dress up and step out !







Mary and Nate enjoy green beer on St. Patty' s Day.



Marcy with the Good Doctor Forseter.

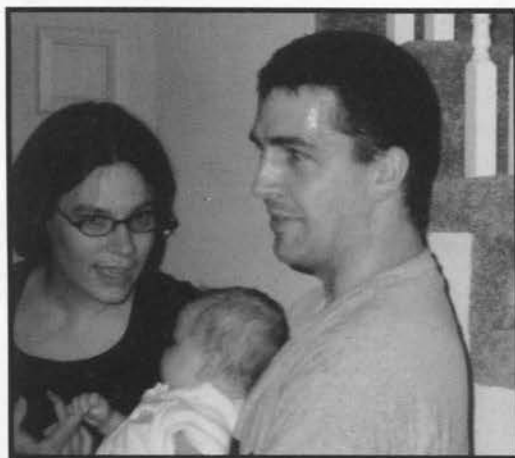


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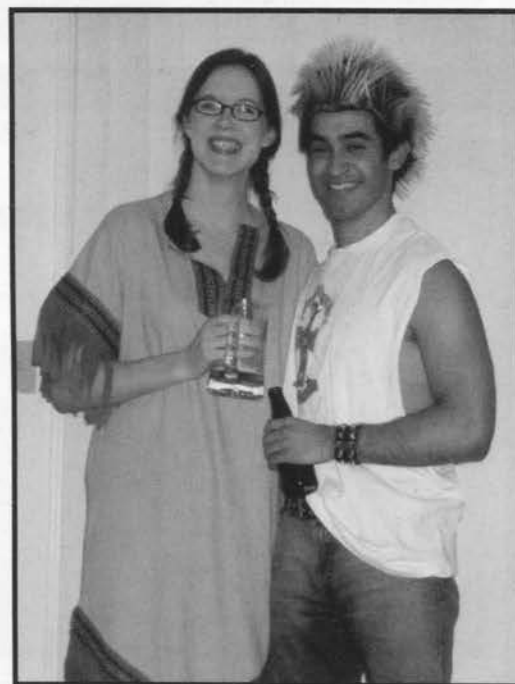




The long-awaited Guns N Roses reunion 2002.



Christina, Alex and Trisha enjoy a girls' night out.





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"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will direct your paths."

Proverbs 3:5-6



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"Laughter and tears are both responses to frustration and d exhaustion. I myself prefer to laugh since there is less cleaning up to do afterward."

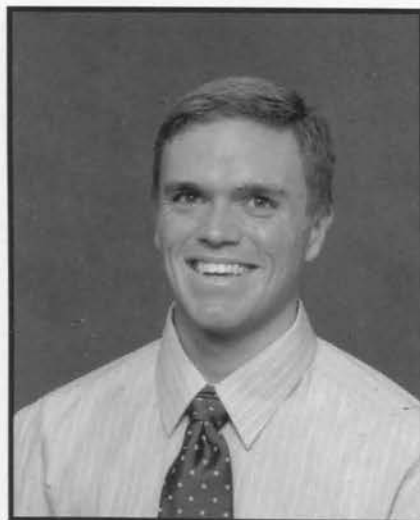
-Kurt Vonnegut



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The most important lessons I learned in medical school:
I love my wife more than anything.
The laugh and smile of my son is more powerful than I could ever imagine.
I have an incredibly supportive family who are ideal role models.
We will truly miss our best friends.
I must thank God every day for the opportunity to become a physician.





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**"Tell me, what is it you plan to do with
your one wild and precious life?"**
-Mary Oliver



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**"One measure of leadership is the
caliber of people who choose to follow
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-Dennise Peer



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"My greatest achievement was
my ability to convince my wife
to marry me."

-Winston Churchill



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"I'd be crazy not to go into
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-Jason Cafer



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"Most folks are about as
happy as they make up
their minds to be."

-Abraham Lincoln



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"Thank you to my son Colin, my husband
Jim, and my mother Berneice for helping
me make this happen."

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"I will never understand all the good that a
simple smile can accomplish."

- Mother Teresa



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"Perseverance, the secret of all triumphs."
-Victor Hugo

"Do you not know that those who run in a
race all run, but only one receives the prize?
Run in such a way that you may win."

I Corinthians 9:24





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"You walk this path but once, so make of it what you will...fulfill your dreams, touch others lives, love and be loved and do leave your footprints behind because, you walk this path but once, my dear."



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"Those diseases which medicines do not
cure, the knife cures."

-Hippocrates from *Aphorisms*



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"Life is either a daring adventure or
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-Helen Keller



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"Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so
doing some people have entertained angels
without knowing it."

Hebrews 13:2

"Oh, bother!"

-Winnie the Pooh

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"Reach for the stars."
-Woody, Toy Story



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"We are all in the gutter, but some of us are looking at the stars."

-Oscar Wilde



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**"What lies behind us and what
lies before us are tiny matters
compared to what lies within
us."**

-Ralph Waldo Emerson



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**"Life is a succession of moments. To live
each one is to succeed."**

-Corita Kent

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"Possessors of knowledge and seekers of
knowledge are the only two groups of any use
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-Prophet Muhammad



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"I want to thank my family and friends for
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these last four years. Special thanks to
my father who was my initial inspiration
to become a doctor; his amazing personal
character and strength show me the type
of person I hope to become. Good luck to
my fellow classmates in your future
careers and lives."





Brandon David Larkin, M.D.
**Pediatrics - University Hospital &
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**Hometown: St. Peters,
 MO**
BS, University of



"Fat, drunk, and stupid is no way to go through life, son."

-Dean Wormer



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 Hospital; Kansas City, KS**

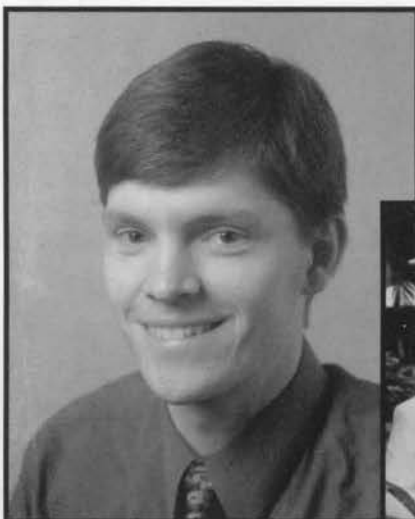
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Thank you to my parents Minh and Quang Tran, and siblings Tim and Amy who always believed I could do anything I wanted to and my husband, Vu, who believes I can even do those things I may not want to do.

"Commit to the Lord whatever you do and your plans will succeed.

-Proverbs 16:3



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"If you asked me what I came into
this world to do, I will tell you: I
came to live out loud."

-Emile Zola



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"Would you not like to be, sitting on
top of the world with your legs hanging
free."

-David J. Matthews



Mary Eileen McBride, M.D.
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"Successful is the person who has lived
well, laughed often, and loved much, who
has gained the respect of children, who
leaves the world better than they found it,
who has never lacked appreciation for the
earth's beauty, who never fails to look for
the best in others, or give the best of
themselves."

- Ralph Waldo Emerson





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"Who have I in heaven but you? And earth has nothing I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever."

-Psalms 73: 25-26



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"The price of success is hard work,
dedication to the job at hand, and the
determination that whether we win or
lose, we have applied the best of
ourselves to the task at hand."

-Vince Lombardi



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Hometown: False Pass, AK
BS, Truman State
University

"You cannot run away from a weakness;
you must sometimes fight it out or perish.
And if that be so, why not now, and where
you stand."

-Robert Louis Stevenson

"You're tall. Do you play basketball?"
-Everyone I've ever met



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"Whoever loves instruction loves
knowledge, but he who hates
correction is stupid."

Proverbs 12:1





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Columbia

"Personally I'm always ready to learn,
 although I do not always like being
 taught."

-Sir Winston Churchill



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BA, DePauw University

"Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men
 stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord
 will renew their strength.
 They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run
 and not grow weary, they will walk and not be
 faint."

-Isaiah 40:30-31

Thank you to my wife, family, and friends for their
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"The race is not to the swift or the battle to the strong, nor does food come to the wise or wealth to the brilliant or favor to the learned; but time and chance happen to them all."

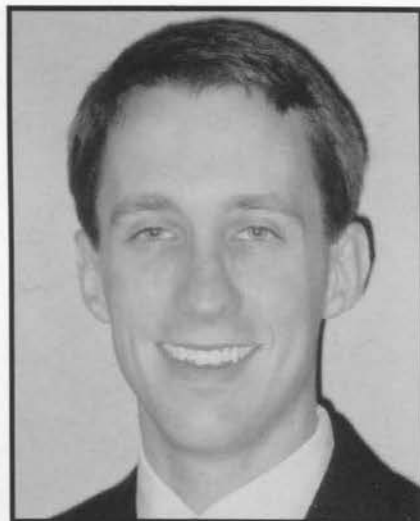
-Ecclesiastes 9:11

I am honored that time and chance put me with such a wonderful class. My prayer is that we may bless others as we have been blessed with our friendships these four years.



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Louis

"The difference between a professional person and a technician is that a technician knows everything about his job except its ultimate purpose and his place in the scheme of things."

-Richard W. Livingston

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"Every child is an artist. The
problem is how to remain an
artist once we grow up."

-Pablo Picasso

"If you do not tell the truth
about yourself you cannot tell
it about other people.

-Virginia Woolf



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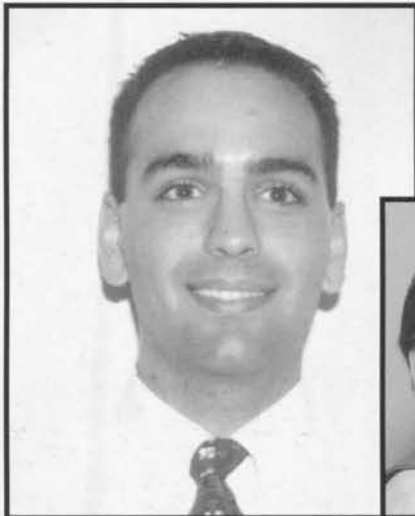
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"I can't promise I'll try, but I'll try to try."
- Bart Simpson



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"Sing as though no one can hear you. Live as
though heaven was on Earth. Dance as though
no one can see you. Love as though you've
never been hurt. Everyday will be full of joy."



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"Every noble life leaves its
fiber interwoven forever in the
work of the world."

-Ruskin

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"As if you could kill time without injuring eternity...I have been anxious to improve the nick of time, and notch it on my stick too; to stand on the meeting of two eternities, the past and the future, which is precisely the present moment; to toe that line."

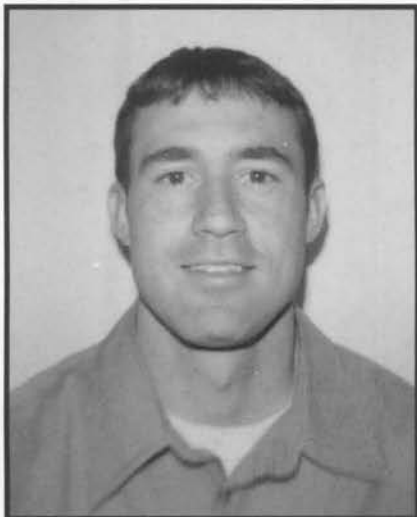
-Henry David Thoreau Walden



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 Dallas, TX**

*"The fear of the Lord is the instruction of
 wisdom; and before honor is humility."*

Proverbs 15:33



Gretchen Denise Shull, M.D.
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*"It is a common experience that a problem
 difficult at night is resolved in the morning
 after the committee of sleep has worked on
 it."*

-John Steinbeck



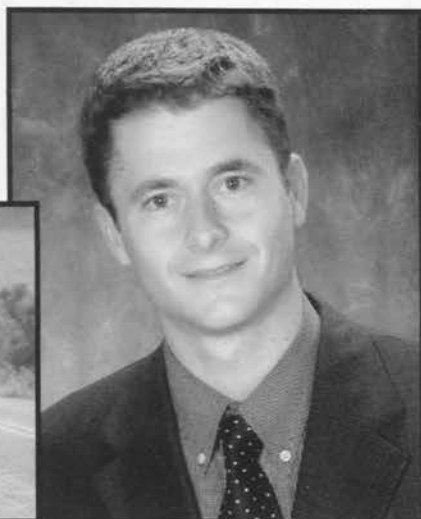
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"The longer I live the more I realize the impact of attitude on life...We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing that we can do is play the one string we have and that is our attitude...I am convinced life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it. And so it is with you...we are in charge of our attitudes."

-Charles Swindoll



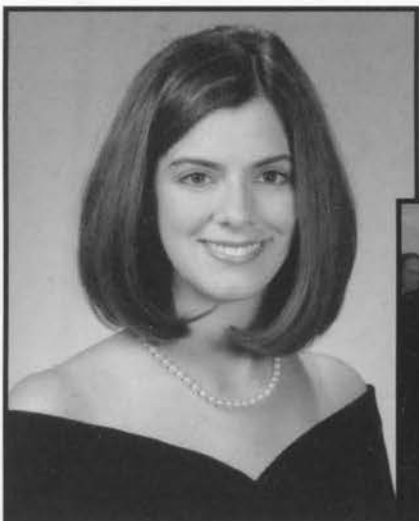


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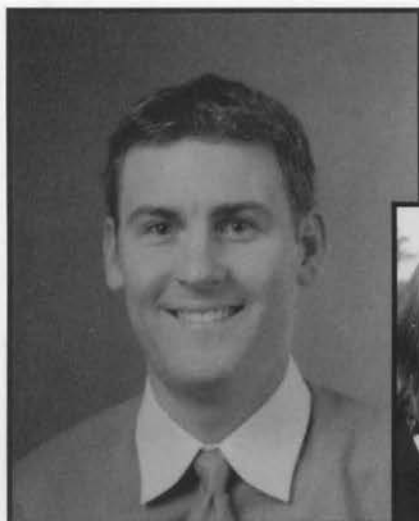
*"How old would you be if you
didn't know how old you are?"*
-Leroy (Satchell) Paige



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"There is a way that seemeth right unto man, but
in the end it leads to death."

Proverbs 16:25

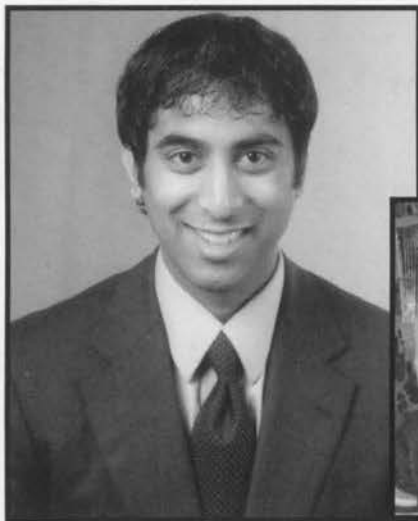




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Columbia*

*"Silence is the perfectest herald of joy: I
were but little happy, if I could say how
much."*

-Claudio, Much Ado About Nothing



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Joseph Scott Turner, M.D.
**Internal Medicine - University of North
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*Hometown: Bernie, MO
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Columbia*



Joy Marie Wenger, M.D.
**Medicine-Pediatrics - Good Samaritan
Regional Medical Center; Phoenix, AZ**

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"It is better to do the right thing badly
than a bad thing well."

-Louis Kahn



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"Resolve to be tender with the
young, compassionate with the
aged, sympathetic with the
striving, and tolerant with the
weak and wrong...because
sometime in your life you will
have been all of these."

Thank you to my family for
their unending support and to
my husband who carried me
through.





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Center of Northwestern University;
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"Knowing what to do is easy. Doing the
right thing is difficult."

-Norman Schwarzkopf



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**"Success usually comes to those who are
too busy to be looking for it."**

-Henry David Thoreau



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BS, University of Missouri-
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**"What's so funny about peace, love
and understanding?"**

-Elvis Costello



Match Day!



I Matched!!



We matched!!



We matched!!



Zoe, we matched!!



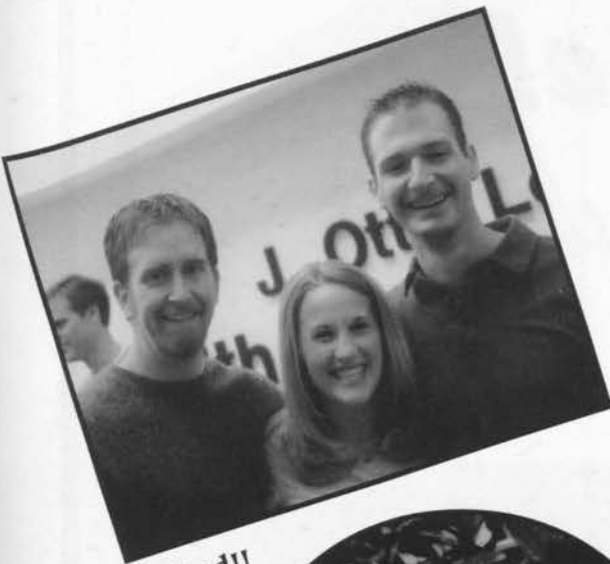
Yeah, we matched!!



We matched!!



We matched, too!!



We matched!!



We matched!



I matched!!

We mathced!!



I matched!!



We matched!!



WE MATCHED!!



We matched!!



Party Time!!

Deja Vu Comedy Club -- Match Day 2003







Greg "Dammit" Mundis: Most likely to practice suturing on his own leg.

Patrick Runnels: Organ Donation Achievement Award.

Mike Williams: Most likely to couples match with Mark Hamblin.

Hillary Byrne: Most likely to quit medicine to be a wedding planner.

John Spitler: Most likely to be busier than a three-legged cat trying to bury turds on a frozen pond.



Kevin Halsey: Most likely ultimate fighting champion.

Tanya Jones: Most likely to spontaneously combust.

Matt Borgmeyer: Most likely to ask his wife's permission.

Andi Slaughter: Most likely to discover the cure to melanoma and forget where she wrote it down.

Michele Azu: Most likely to tell it how it is.

Brian Allenbrand: Most likely to terrorize his residents.



Amanda Allmon: Most likely to share "way too much" about her sex life.

Neils Beck: Most likely to break bad news using the word "brutal".

Marcy Swogger: Most likely to die in an avalanche of note cards.

Josh Kesterson: Most likely to have mouth washed out by wife/attending/children/secretary.

Cassie Askew: Most likely to marry into Mayo Clinic.

Kristen Tarwater: Most likely to have a karaoke machine in her office.

Jorge Pineda: Most likely dude to miss rounds for PS2.



Adam Griesemer: Most likely to employ a personal attorney for sexual harassment claims.

Jay Slesman: Most likely to win the Ironman as the president of the USA.

Kadee Thompson: Holder of the Thompson Family Jewels.

GR Thompson: Fine with the current arrangement.

Sara Harshaw: Most likely to incorporate "What would Pooh do?" into her practice.

Tricky: Most likely to quit medicine to start an '80s hair band.

Melody Truman: Most likely to join a biker gang.

Cigdem (Toroslu) Bytnar: MUS highest GPA Award.

Dan Bytnar: Best Achievement in Marriage Award.



S U P E R L



Ryan McWilliams: Most likely to install a CT scanner in the trunk of a compact car.



Sam Medaris: Most likely to be used as a traditional greeting.



Kurt Tarwater: Knowledge Vampire.



Angeline DeiSanti: Most likely to win an ultramarathon.

Gretchen Shull: Most likely to hit the bars without her husband.

Mary McBride: Most likely Peds resident to never say "kiddo".

Simon McKeown: Most likely to breed his own rugby team.

Tessa Rinker: Most likely to smile no matter what's going on around her.

Pritish Tosh: Most likely to make insulting T-shirts about the Chairman of Medicine.

Curtis Hartman: Most likely to prescribe Imipenem for a hangnail.

Salina Jones: Closet genius.

Amy Zimmerman: Most likely to close the office to go for a run.

A T I V E S

Chris Park: Most likely to oversleep Step 3 and still set the curve.

Erin McGeeney: Most likely to do the laundry without putting the clothes in the washer.

Joe Turner: Most likely to go to a NASCAR race, just to make smart-ass remarks about the rednecks.

Jason Cafer: Most likely to quit medicine to take over the Howard Stern Show.

Emily Coberly: Most likely to be married to a convict.

Bob Garrett: Most likely to employ the phrase, "No, the Miami in Ohio".

Alex Georges: Least likely to go out for a gourmet meal.

Jake Stueve: Most likely to put a dance partner in the hospital.

Tariq Khasawinah: Most likely to make a million dollars and lose it the next day.

Logan Kratt: Most likely to bring his kids to a kegger.

Nate McNeil: Most likely to marry a movie star.

Tim Maus: Most likely to quit medicine to play racquetball and bootleg Dave Matthews concerts.

Kevin Ponciroli: Most likely to go to prison for running a national betting ring.

Dave Megee: Most likely to mass email pornography during a PBL exam.



Senior Week!!!

Paintball



Banquet



Six Flags



White Coat Burning



Float Trip



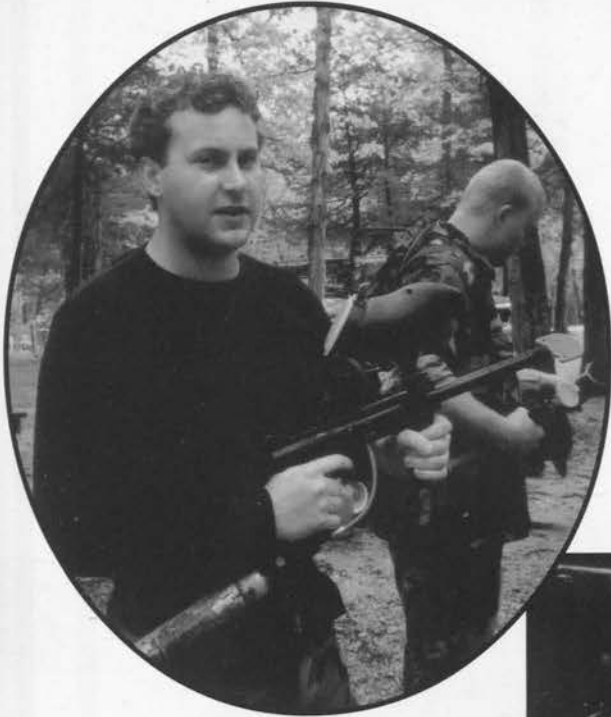
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Baseball



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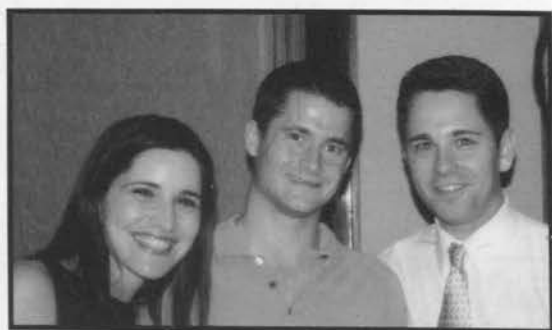
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Graduation Banquet

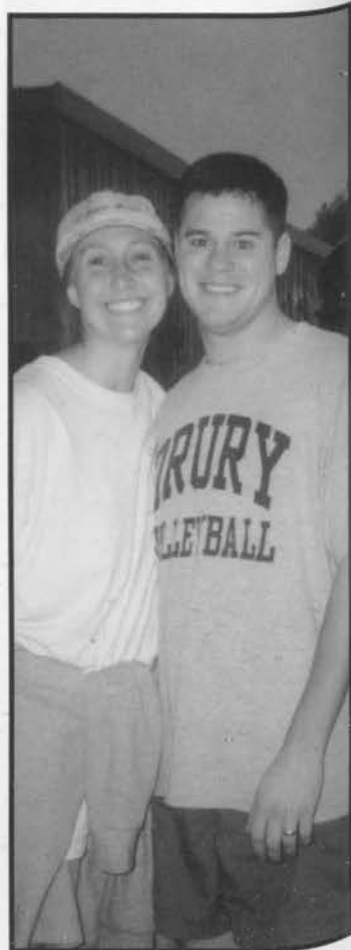
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Six Flags



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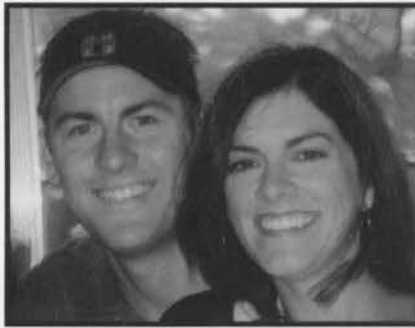
May 12, 2003





St. Louis Cardinals

May 13,



Baseball

2003



Les Bourgeois

May 14,



Winery

2003



White Coat Burning

May 15,



Burn Baby, Burn!!!!

2003



Honors and Awa

May 16,



AOA General Scholarship
 Brian Allenbrand
 Simon Bekker
 Matthew Borgmeyer
 Salina Green
 Travis Hillen
 Jason Reinberg
 Sarah Swofford
 Thomas Watson

Research Council Award
 Michael Hughes
 Amy Bloch
 Joshua Ball

Parker B. Francis Award for Excellence in Anesthesiology
 Jorge Pineda

Russell D. Sheldon Award for Excellence in Anesthesiology
 Brian Allenbrand

Robert L. Jackson Award for Outstanding Performance in Pediatrics
 Mary McBride

Sunil Batchu Memorial Award in Pediatrics
 Dena Hubbard

Dermatology Outstanding Student Award
 Trisha Taylor

Harvey F. Howitt Memorial Scholarship
 Laura Gonzales

R.R. Hannas, M.D. Excellence in Emergency Medicine
 Nnaemeka Okafor

S.A.E.M. Excellence in Emergency Medicine
 John Jeffery Willis

James D. Dexter Award for Excellence in Neurology
 Brian Allenbrand

Outstanding Student in Ob/Gyn
 Lisa Brennaman

John Aure Buessler Award for Excellence in Ophthalmology
 Amy Ajans-Zguta

"Mizzou" Orthopaedic Award
 Jacob Stueve

S.E. Kerr Memorial Scholarship
 Kyle Bradley

Howard A. Rusk Memorial Award
 Amy Zimmermann
 Elizabeth Clarkson

James M.S. Weiss Award for Excellence in Psychiatry
 Chandra Oleksiewicz

Radiology Department Award for Outstanding Achievement
 Alexandra Georges

Michael E. DeBakey Scholar in Cardiothoracic Surgery
 Mary McBride

Claude K. Leeper, M.D. Scholarship
 Allison Swanson
 Christine White

Outstanding Achievement in Internal Medicine
 Brian Allenbrand

Endocrine Society Medical Student Achievement Award
 Gretchen Shull

Division of General Surgery "Marion S. Deweese Award"
 Adam Griesemer

Samual P.W. Black Prize for Excellence in Neurosurgery
 Tanya Jones Bryant

Division of Otolaryngology Award for Excellence
 Samuel Medaris

Division of Urology Ian M. Thompson Award
 Ryan Miller

Donald Silver Award for Excellence in Vascular Surgery
 Adam Griesemer

Family Health Foundation Award
 Sue Dabney

The Janet M. Glasgow Memorial Achievement Citation
 Angela Botts
 Emily Coberly
 Salina Green
 Marcy Swogger
 Kadee Thompson

Boone County Medical Society Alliance Award for Community Service and Volunteerism
 Mary McBride

David M. Klachko Outstanding Student in Endocrinology
 Brian Allenbrand

Thomas W. Burns, Cosmopolitan International Outstanding Student in Diabetes Mellitus
 Angela Botts



Graduate Convocation

2003

Pulmonary Medicine Award for Outstanding Achievement Award
Mark Hamblin

Family Practice Departmental Award
Lindsay Wiles

Student Leadership and Service Award
Dan Owen
Angela Ailor
Christopher Hempel
Bridget Rutledge

Sandra McCurdy Dedicated Staff Award: For Outstanding Service to School
Conway Jones

Paul C. J. Sun, M.D. Distinguished Faculty Award
Herbert Schmidt, M.D.

AMSA Service Award
William Krause, Ph.D.
Stephen Halenda, Ph.D.

AMSA Golden Apple Award
Gordon Christensen, M.D.
Carl Kaplan, M.D.

Margaret Sullivan Teaching Award for PBL for IPC
Andrew Simpson, Ph.D.
James Campbell, Ph.D.

American College of Physicians Joseph Muscato, M.D. Book Award
Emily Coberly

Missouri State Medical Association Honors Graduate Award
Sara Shimmin

HSO-Stephenson Helpful Elephant Award
JonBen Svoboda, M.D.

Student National Medical Association Recognition of Continued Service
Nnaemeka Okafor

MSAC Excellence in Education Award Preclinical

David Clark, M.D.
Wayland McKenzie, Ph.D.
Willis K. Paull, Jr., Ph.D.
Charlotte Phillips, Ph.D.
James Stevermer, M.D.
Camilla Wheeler, M.D.

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Andrew Evans, M.D.
Leslie Hall, M.D.
Paul Robinson, M.D.
William Salzer, M.D.
Herbert Schmidt, M.D.
Maher Tabba, M.D.
Stephen Weinstein, M.D.

Residents

Stephen Colbert, M.D.
Robert Gorman, M.D.
Colleen Johnson, M.D.
Mistie Peil, M.D.
Ray Silliman, M.D.
Stephen Waller, M.D.

Arnold P. Gold Foundation Humanism in Medicine Faculty Award
Herbert Schmidt, M.D.
Student Award
G.R. Thompson, III

Marvin W. & Lillith E. Valle Scholarship
Rachel Kerford

Charles and Lucille Bennett Medical Scholarship
Donna Claes

Scott A. Willis Memorial Scholarship
Tanya Jones Bryant
Amy Zimmerman

Elfriede Tachman Memorial Award
Gregory Mundis

Curriculum Board Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award

Dirk Alander, M.D.
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Christopher Farmer, M.D.
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Commencement

Welcome Address--Brian Allenbrand

"This is a celebration we have awaited since that day, about 4 years ago, when we opened that surprisingly thin envelope that invited us to mail in a \$100 deposit to reserve our seats in this medical class...Never was there a sweeter check to be written. But it wasn't the last check, was it?...we have made many friends. Today, we become doctors. And, in many ways we are richer than when we began our journey...As I mentioned previously, today marks the beginning of a great challenge in our lives. As physicians we have the unique opportunity to serve by diagnosing and treating disease, relieving suffering, discovering new knowledge, and teaching others..."



Class Keynote Speaker--Pritish Tosh

See page 182 for Pritish's speech

Closing Speech--Bridget Rutledge

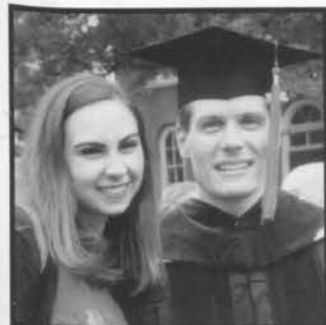
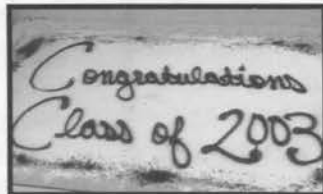
"Many of us are anxious to take this next step, ready to finally pull all of this training into practice. Others feel slightly overwhelmed, nervous about that first night on call, the first time making an important decision alone. Whatever our individual feelings about it, today we undergo a tremendous transformation...Every day we make a choice to change or to stagnate...As physicians we can and we must always confront change head-on with a strong, positive attitude, or risk being swept away by it...Success requires courage, commitment, and perseverance...It has been a long journey to this day...However, we have today only just arrived at our first stop...May we remember during these times of trial and fatigue that we chose medicine, with all of its pain, responsibility, and ethical dilemmas, because we love helping people..."



Right: Cigdem Toroslu Bytnar being hooded by our Officers of Investiture: William Roland, Ted Groshong, and William Salzer



Ceremony



Commencement

We are gathered here today to celebrate. We are here to celebrate four years of hard work, sacrifice and achievement. We are here to celebrate the consummation of a dream that has been decades in the making and to thank those whose support has made this possible. But I think that we are mostly here to celebrate a promise.

A little less than four years ago, we were given our white coats. Gleaming white coats. Like us, untarnished by sweat, unencumbered by instrument, and completely naïve to the world we were about to enter. We made a promise that day. By taking the Oath of Geneva we pledged to consecrate our lives to the service of humanity.

That oath was originally written in 1948. In the fifty-five years that have followed, medical sciences have made advances that have rivaled our cumulative progress from 1948 back to the age of Hippocrates. We are now able to obtain high resolution images of the brain, perform transplantation of most of the body's organs, and even clear blockages in the arteries of the heart. Our progress into the understanding of our own genetics has opened up new doors of diagnostics and therapy. With the completion of the Human Genome Project, we now have the blue prints of our own function and we have begun to decipher it. Now more than ever, we have the knowledge and tools to live up to the promise we made four years ago and will make again today. The world into which we are about to embark is filled with possibility.

This is a world that may see an end to diseases that have plagued mankind throughout the history of humanity. This is a world that has an unparalleled capacity to fend off new threats to our wellbeing. However, this is also a world where the majority of children do not have access to adequate health care. Where sanitation, vaccination, and education are available only to those born into privilege. Even in this country, where many of these technical advances were made, differences in socioeconomic status underlie most key determinants of health including infant mortality and overall life expectancy. So, as we enter this world, is it our duty, in our service of humanity, to try to do something about this? Absolutely.

As we embark on our journey in the service of humanity, it gives me great pride to be part of MU's graduating class of physicians. We are privileged to have gone to school here. Those of you familiar with the problem based learning curriculum here at Mizzou, know that its adaptive nature is what brings strength to the University of Missouri School of Medicine. Beyond the science of medicine, the progressive nature of our school has instilled in us several values. As medical fields become more and more specialized, the need for teamwork and communication become absolutely essential in order to coordinate the care of our patients. Also the expansive nature of the research requires for physicians to be equipped with the mental dexterity to continue to teach themselves. These values were not presented to us as addenda, but were the foundation of our entire education.

Like many innovations, implementing PBL took courage, perseverance, and more than a little faith. I would like to thank this university for having the vision to realize that as the world of medicine changes, we must change with it; for we are better equipped for the complexities of medicine than any class that came before us, and subsequent classes will be better prepared than we. Equipped not just with biomedical knowledge, but with psychosocial understanding and, above all else, compassion.

The strength of our curriculum is second only to the strength of our faculty. Throughout every step of medical school we were guided by physicians whose obvious passion was teaching. Although formal lectures were informative and informal bedside talks were enlightening, what we learned most from our faculty mentors was how they treated their patients and, in turn, how the patients treated them. As I leave the halls of this great institution I feel truly blessed to have been taught by some of the greatest educators and role models I have yet encountered. So, for all your years of tireless dedication, I thank you.

Address

—Pritish Tosh

This school has prepared us to be physicians. When I think about that as what I will be doing for the rest of my life, I think about it as an exciting and rewarding job. I do not think that the rest of this society sees it in this way. A recent poll lists doctors at the top of its lists of most respectable professions, most trustworthy professions, and most honest professions. Why is that and what does that mean? Although we may not like to think about it, our patients will be putting their lives in our hands. We will know many of their deepest secrets, they will seek our advice on their lives, and we will be the bearers of good news and bad. Our job is to be stewards of their trust, guardians of their dreams, and messengers of the Fates. Even though the responsibility is immense, our patients will willingly place it in our hands because of their faith in our profession. Because of this, it not a burden, but a great honor every time a patient allows us to take part in their life.

I look out over my fellow classmates, and I think about what it takes to carry out the duties that we are about to accept. I think about the values that are inherent in us and have been instilled in us. I think about the compassion, respect, and determination of the physicians who have touched my life. I think of all this and I realize that the eighty-eight people seated in front of me are exactly the people that I want taking care of me and my family in times of need. It gives me great pride to be part of this graduating class of physicians, for I am confident that our collective spirit embodies the strength of mind, integrity, and verve that characterize our chosen profession.

Although our primary focus must be our patients, I think that we, as emerging physicians, have an obligation to all future generations of doctors. At the end of our careers, all that we will have to show for our time and efforts is our legacy. Included in this is our contribution to research and our interactions with our patients. However, their lasting effects will have little impact unless we make an effort to share our knowledge and experiences with the next generation.

It is true that our efforts are what give us our drive, but it is our mentors who give us direction. I think about my personal career goals and I know that the study of Infectious Diseases is what is most appealing to me. If one were to ask me why, I could probably come up with a number of reasons ranging from its historical role in mortality to its rapidly changing nature. But I wonder if the real reasons for my interest are actually the faculty of the Infectious Diseases department, who have had such a profound impact on my education. I wonder if I would be interested in patient care, research, teaching, and university involvement if it wasn't for great role models like Dr. Christensen. Lastly, I wonder 'what can I do to impact someone's life, the way that they have impacted mine.'

In a matter of a few weeks, it will be our turn to pass on the lamp of knowledge to medical students under our direction. I hope we all remember the residents and attendings who were especially helpful or took extra care in our education. It is not likely that we will all go into academic medicine after our residencies, but that does not mean that we cannot all be involved in medical education. We have all met physicians in our own communities who help to cultivate interest in medicine, or allow high school and college students to shadow them, or even participate with the local academic institution. The opportunities for involvement are endless, but also absolutely vital.

As I bring this little speech to end, I would to thank my class for giving me the opportunity to do this. These last four years have been the most rewarding years of my life I am privileged to be able to call you my colleagues. I would also like to thank my friends and family for their support throughout my education. Medical school was not easy, but having their support made it enjoyable.

As we walk across this stage and enter our new lives, most of us are leaving only with our memories. So let us remember this day, for it is a good day, but they are only going to get better and better.

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Mom, Dad, Molly, Laura, Jan, Jerry
and all your family*

Daniel W. Bytnar, M.D.



Congratulations, Dan!

You did it! We knew you could!
WE ARE PROUD!!!

God bless your future endeavors.

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Mom & Dad, David, Beth, & Laura

**Congratulations, Joe!
Joseph Scott Turner, M.D.**



You did it!
We are very proud of you.

Love,
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Congratulations!

-Dr. Bridget Scheve Rutledge-



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With Love,

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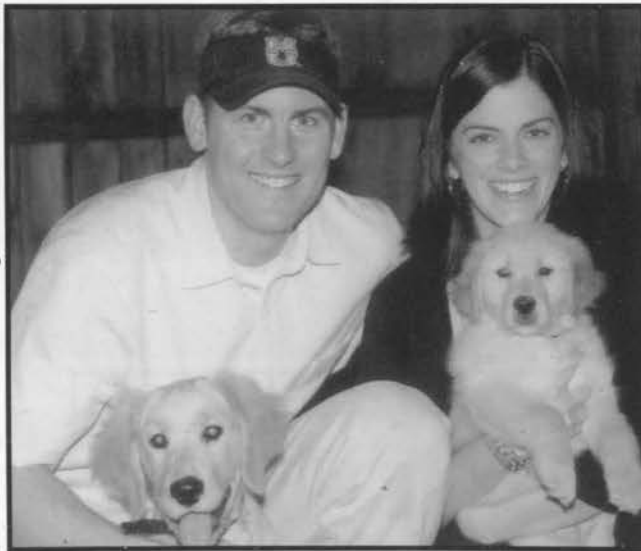
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Graduation Ceremony
May 17, 2003

May God bless you always.

With much pride and love,

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The whole family joins in congratulating both of you on achieving your goals



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Aunts and Uncles
And all your cousins*

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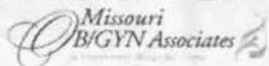
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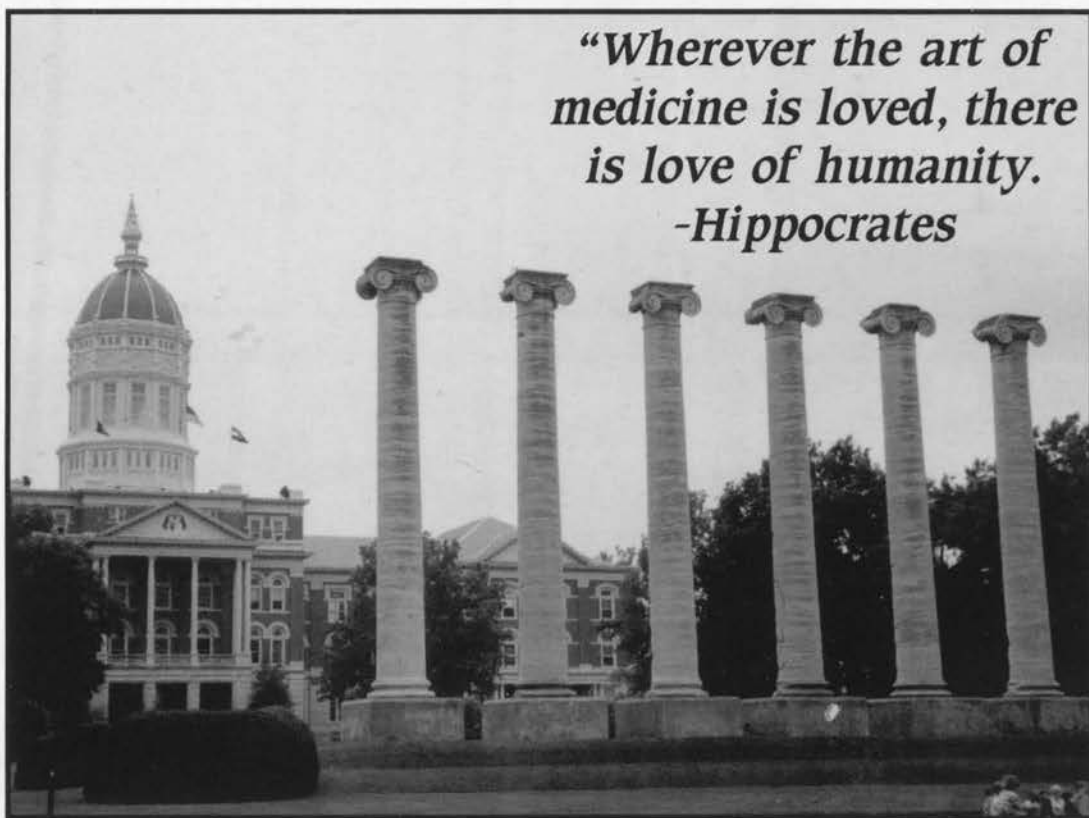


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Co-Editors Page

"It's finally finished." We have had many dreams about saying those words, but that day is, at last, a reality. Being two long-distance runners, we have certainly put our endurance to the test this year producing MUtation. What a challenge it was and we can't wait to see the finished product. By all means, it was certainly a fantastic outlet for creativity that so many of us science-bound individuals lose. After spending the last three years taking pictures and taking more pictures, our poor cameras are welcoming a long break. Without many key players, however, this yearbook would have never seen this grand day.

Jen and Noah Hillman, for without them we would have never noticed that the yearbook even existed. (Maybe we shouldn't be thanking them).

HUGE thanks to the **Office of Medical Education**.

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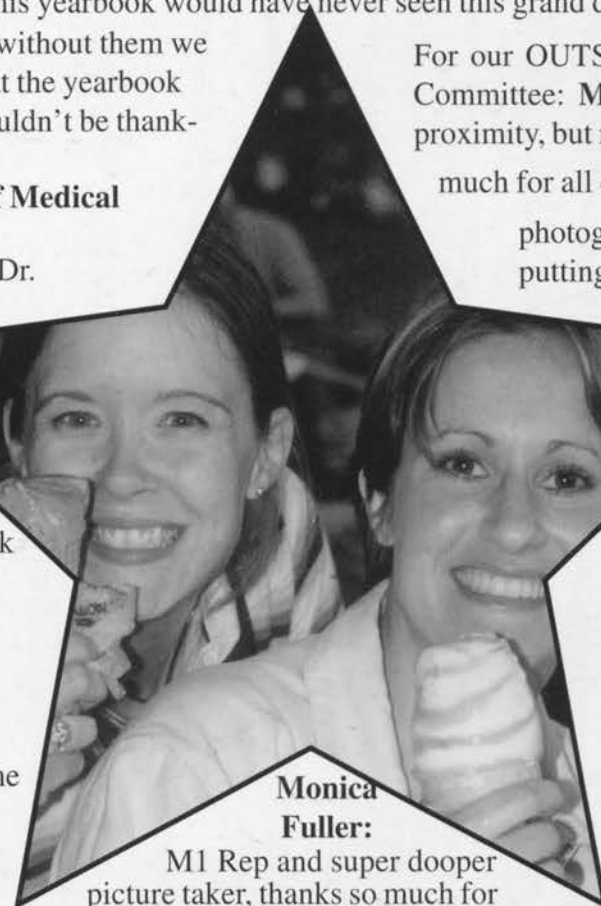
yearbook of your own!

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Finally, thanks to all of those who supported us financially. This yearbook cannot stand on its own without them. To all of the departments and offices who purchased ads, we wouldn't exist without you. To all of the parents who purchased ads in honor of their young doctor, thanking you for contributing to our education one more time. To our faculty who donated from their own pockets our appreciation is endless!!

And with all of the gratitude in our hearts expressed, we bring this 43rd edition of the MUtation to a close. Although challenging, although at times frustrating, overall we enjoyed this challenge and like children on Christmas morning, we look forward to its arrival on our doorsteps this fall!

Sincerely,

Angeline DeiSanti and Mary McBride







