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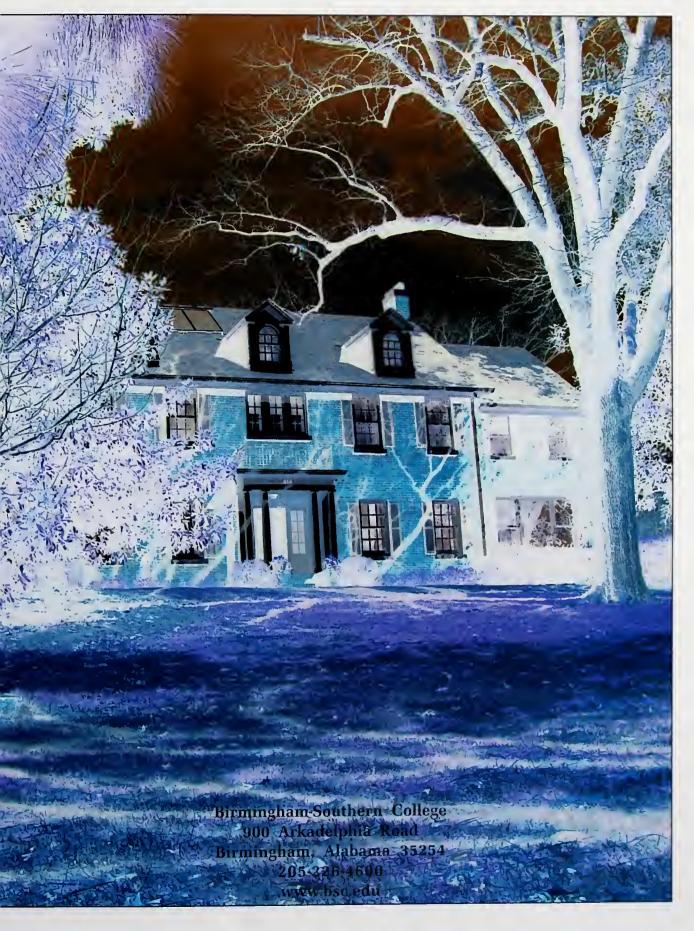
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Adam Israel and Matt Harris pause on the way to lunch to vote for next year's Student Government Association officers.



Gema Madi styles the wigs for BSC theatre producations.





Tammy McLeod, Kate Drummond, and Kate Chandler build gingerbread houses at the SGA Christmas party. In addition to building gingerbread houses, students could make Christmas tree ornaments. get their picture taken with Santa, or take a sleigh ride around campus.



Alex Kremp, Christa Calvert, Rachel Bramlett, and Anna Fuller make afternoon labs actually lool like fun.





#### Memories of 'Southern

So often we are told that these college years are the best years of our lives. While we are here it is sometimes difficult to fathom that these should be our best years considering the deadlines, exams, papers, all-niters, and the endless exhaustion that seems to come with being a college student. However, when one stops to consider all of the activities that we experience while in college that we may not have the time or money or whatever to experience in the dreaded "real world," it makes our years here at BSC a little more precious.

Though there are tests, term papers, experiments, and hours of studying in the library, there are just as many, if not more, girls' nites out, fast food runs (because one more night at the caf is unbearable), Christmas omaments made at SGA Christmas parties, Homecoming games, movies nites at the Summit, and Wal-mart runs. All of these things are what make our college years so special

and unreplicable.

When looking back on the best years of our life, it will not necessarily be Dr. Pitts' heinous exams, Dr. Ashe's unwriteable papers, or Dr. Sudderth's incomprehensible income tax returns that we remember. Instead, we will reminisce about that professor that guided us through the grad school application process, all the Thursday nights spent at frat row or Tiki Bob's, the study groups that turned into huge study breaks, and the rewarding work done with service learning.

So as we look at our BSC experience now and wonder how in the world these could be the best years of our lives, we need to keep in mind that after graduation we will look back at all the good times and realize what a great place 'Southern was for ... Developing Memories

Cory Casella and Amber Rhodes take a few minutes to escape the craziness of Guy's Bid Day.

Eric Harper enjoys a steaming cup of hot cocoa between classes. This year students were provided with hot cocoa during Homecoming.

Cladia Adams and Daniel Ferguson display their talents at Dream Cafe. Dream Cafe was held in Simpson and the proceeds went to Service Learning Interims.





Sarah Hollowell and Dr. Berte discuss the opening ceremony of The Gathering. The Gathering was a Movement.



program involving many key participants of the Civil Rights



Bethany Butts takes a break from rehersaol for the Spring Dance Performance in order to stretch out.

Benjamin Marsh and Webb Lyons take part in an activity at a Cultural Event concerning the Cycle of Socialization, led by Joan Witherspoon-Norris. The Cycle of Socialization was developed to address the role of the environment on perception, education, and knowledge.





Isaac Dooley takes advantage of the early spring warmth and does some studying outside of Norton.

ON THE HILLTOP

## student life

It does not take a genius to figure out that people go to college to get an education. However, hopefully that is not all we take away from this place. Often the majority of the life skills students learn come from outside the class room. These lessons are learned while in organizations, during projects and group meetings, and simply from relating to and working with people unlike ourselves. Horizons are stretched when people of all sorts take

advantage of the plethora of activities offered by BSC. Perhaps students learn the most when they are taken from their natural environmeth and are exposed to new places, experiences, and people. This is what makes BSC so valuable: the diversity of the student body, the chances to try something new, and encouragement to make the most of one's college experience.

Birmingham's Mayor Kincaid addresses the student body in Norton Theater. This year the mayor was invited to lead BSC's closing ceremony of Black History Month





Hunter Russel takes advantage of the time between classes to soak up some sun.

#### Pros and Cons of Student Life

#### Ben Pendarvis

"We have a cool Ecoscape with some nice walking trails, very relaxing."

#### Lindsey Herzog

"Student Life is good because of the small campus and there are lots of things to be involved in. It makes you feel comfortable and at home."

#### Martin Zaluk

"There are lots of parties, but it is boring sometimes because there are always the same people."



Sandy Haggard experiences the excitement of receiving that much anticipateed package. Every college student appreciates the thrill of getting packages in the mail.



Daniel Ferguson reveals his true feelings for the food in the caf.



Adam Colbert dances with members of the Kenya Maasi tribe in the Atrium. While here the tribe showed students how to do native bead work and demonstrated native ceremonial dancing.

## Miss Birmingham

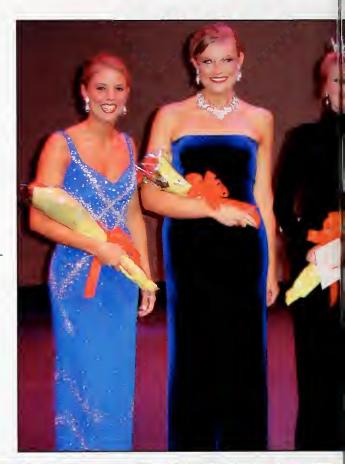
Miss Birmingham-Southern College represents our college in the Miss Alabama Pageant each June. She is judged on an interview, talent, physical fitness, poise/evening gown, and her over all composite.

The pageant provides opportunities for young women to win scholarships as a means of achieving their educational goals, as well as a way to recognize outstanding young women for their achievements. Each contestant has a platform which is generally a topic of interest in which she volunteers her time to make society a better place.

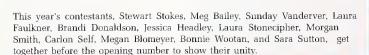
This year's Miss BSC is sophmore Morgan Smith. First runner up was Sunday Vanderver. Jessica Headley was second runner-up, Stewart Stokes was third runner-up, and Carlon Self was fourth runner-up. Morgan's platform is Performing Arts Education Opportunities for Children. All of the contestants have contributed more than 2100 hours total volunteering for and/or educating others about their cause of choice.

Other titles awarded include talent, swimsuit, evening gown, and the new Dr. and Mrs. Berte Community Service Award that was presented to Sunday Vanderver this year.

This year's Mistress of Ceremonies was Catherine Crosby, the current Miss Alabama. Alexa Jones, last year's Miss Birmingham-Southern College, returned to crown the winner. This year's theme was Celebrate Southern Style, which was displayed in the opening number that all of the contestants perform together.



Meg Bailey prepares for the opening number in the dressing room.











## Southern College 2004

### Celebrates

Southern Style

left to right:
Stewart Stokes,
3rd runner-up;
Sunday
Vanderver, 1st
runner-up;
Morgan Smith,
2004 Miss BSC;
Jessica Headley,
2nd runner-up;
and Carlon
Self, 4th runner-up



Dr. Berte congratulates Morgan Smith on her new title of Miss BSC.

Catherine Crosby, Miss Alabama 2003, leads the contestants in a brief prayer before the pageant starts. Catherine was this year's Mistress of Ceremonies.



## HALLOWEEN

This trick or treater enjoys the opportunity to smush pie all over Jared Beam's face without getting in trouble, as Kyle Dudley looks on. This year Sigma Chi sponsored a pie booth for the local children.





Ashley Vines, as Minnie Mouse, gives her little visitor one of the many treats available for kids.



BSC's very own gypsies give out beads and candy. This is just one of the many fun events available to community children.



## ON THE HILLTOP



Once again Halloween on The Hilltop was a huge success this year. The eighth annual Panhellenic Council sponsored event gave surrounding neighborhood children and their families a safe and fun place to enjoy dinner and Halloween festivities! We had trick-or-treating in Margaret and Cullen Daniel, an awesome haunted house in New Men's, and many other carnival-type booths on the Residence Hall Quad. All campus organizations are invited to have a booth at Halloween on The Hilltop. The news even came out and filmed us!

Kayla Calton, a very convincing Pebbles, hands ont cookies to trick-or-treaters.





Laura Oldham successfully pulls off the costume of a chic Parisienne. This year Halloween on the Hilltop saw many interesting costumes. As this little guy demonstrates, some costumes were extremely elaborate, and their owners were impossible to identify.



Alex Gresham, our Dean of Students, announces the Homecoming Court in the caf. Dean Gresham's office organized the festivities for Homecoming.



Dr. Berte congratulates Amanda Latifi on being chosen as this year's Homecoming Queen.

# Bye Bye, Berte! A tribute to Dr. and Mrs. Berte

Dr. and Mrs. Berte greet
the crowd with their
granddaughters.
Carolanne Berte and
Evie Morton. In keeping
with tradition, the girls
presented the
Homecoming court with
flowers.



Sara Doughton glances at the crowd as she walks from court with her father who served as her escourt. Sara was one of this year's senior Homecoming maids.



### HOMECOMING 2004

This year's Homecoming festivities, entitled "Bye Bye, Berte," were in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Berte as a result of Dr. Berte's announcement that he was retiring this year. Alex Gresham, with the help of Quest II and the Homecoming Committee, coordinated a number of activities to get students in the school spirit. The week started off with Homecoming Court nominations and cotton candy handed out on Monday. Monday night there was an individual spirit poster contest at the women's game versus Radford.

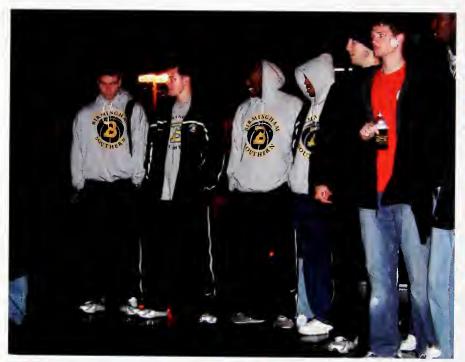
Tuesday began with voting for Queen and Homecoming popcorn in the Atrium. Wednesday concluded the voting for Homecoming Queen with hot chocolate in the Atrium. Though a host of inflatable games were scheduled for the day, they got rained out and had to cancel. There was another individual spirit poster contest at the men's game versus Radford. Thursday the Homecoming Court announced and that night there was a bonfire in front of Bill Battle Coliseum with free food.



Students and other fans show their support for and excitement about Jakob Sigadauson making his 1,000th basket.

The basketball players leave the court for the half time festivities.

Helgi Margeson, Jakob Sigadauson, James Collins, DeQue Carter, Thomas Viglianco, and Grant Davis stand to be recognized at this year's first annual Homecoming bonfire.







The Homecoming Court anxiously awaits the announcement of this year's queen.



Gregg McCormick distributes hot cocoa to students in the Atrium.





#### GO PANTHERS!

Friday night ended the festive week with a free movie at the Summit. The culmination of the week included free Bar-B-Q to early arrivers at the game Saturday. Of course the Homecoming Court was presented at half-time, followed by a party in Simpson featuring "County Line."

This year's Homecoming Court included Freshman representatives Britni Ballard and Mary Ivey; Sophomore representatives Kate Chandler adn Ashton Thompson; Junior representatives Nicole Komara, Emily Mathis, and Sarah Sulivan; and Senior representatives Sara Doughton, Amanda Latifi, and Mikel Wijayasuriya. Amanda Latifi was crowned this year's Homecoming Queen.

The men's basketball team wrapped up the eventful Homecoming Week by winning the game against VMI. The victory guaranteed BSC at least a tie for the conference championship.

Dr. Berte cuts down the nets after the Homecoming Game.

# Miss Southern Diversity Dr. Berte Collins of Southern

The position of Miss 'Southern Diversity is a relatively new addition to the Birmingham-Southern College campus. Initiated by former Director of Multicultural Affairs, Dr. Rushton Johnson, the position was established in 2002 to provide a sense of cohesion to each of the multicultural organizations on campus and to provide one young lady with the opportunity to represent each.

Dr. Berte congratulates Kristian Collins on her new role of Miss Sonthern Diversity.



Sonya Thomas, Miss Southern Diversity 2003, crowns Kristian Collins as the new Miss Southern Diversity.



Stephanie Houston, one of the Miss Southern Diversity court, models her gown before the ceremony.





The Miss Southern Diversity Court I-r: Avani Reddy, Victoria Myers, SirenaWang, Kristian Collins, Stephanie Houston, and Gretchen Deutsch and local high school and elementary school participants in the ceremony.

Since its initiation, the position of Miss 'Southern Diversity has grown tremendously in influence. This year's Miss Southern Diversity was Kristian Collins.

Since her coronation, Kristian has worked diligently to promote the issues which were most important to her. Having worked with the Alabama Partnership for Progress during the summer of her sophomore year, she saw first-hand the importance of clearly articulating one's message, and thus invited captivating speakers to the Birmingham-Southern College campus to impress upon the student body the talent and skill involved in delivering an effective and powerful speech.



Kristian Collins demonstrates that even honors can have a light side as she "cracks up" at the reception following the coronation ceremony.

Kristian Collins sits for photos following the ceremony.





#### Student Life is more than just what we do.



It is also where we spend our times

One of the most serene spots on campus has to be the little nook outside of Yielding Chapel. It is not unusual to see someone enjoying the wind chimes and watching the squirrels play.





"The Max" nicknamed for its likeness to the popular lunch hangout on the tv show Saved by the Bell. Students often lunch here for an alternative to the regular caf atmosphere.

The fountain is a year-round gathering place. Sometimes students can even be seen here socializing during lunch in January.





Each student makes frequent trips to the multiple computer labs across campus, even if only to save their own paper and ink, but the ones in Olin must be the most popular. So often college students are pictured in the classroom setting or partying or going home for the weekend. However, there is much more to the life of the college student. There are times when you cannot go out and party but must find relaxation some other way. For some, it may be a smoke break outside Norton or a stolen half hour spent sun bathing.

Then there are weekends when there is just too much to do to go home. In answer to this quandary it is not unusual to find people grilling out on Andrew's Green or enjoying dogs on the deck. Those die-hard fitness folks can be found de-stressing in Striplin with a swim or game of racquetball.

Everyone knows the picnic table

# How do you relate? family relations

Everyone expects their relationships with their family to change upon coming to college. We surveyed several BSC students to see how things have changed in relation to their families...



Audrey Cook and her brother Dayton enjoy the rare time that they get to spend together. Living five hours from home makes it difficult for Audrey to go home often.

My parents drive 2 hours to all my activities and would probably come to recital class if I let them. -Jenna Lyle

My solutionship with my mom has blossomed. I call her every morning on the way to the caf. - Megan White

I have grown closer to my farrents because we talk on the phone everydry, and I keep in truch with my grandparents more. -Chad Elliot

tt's great. I live 30 minutes away and have been home twice all semester. - Jon Momb







Our relationship has improved because I nover call or talk to them anymere. We can't argue if we can't talk. -Edwin kobinson

My mom and I have always been close, but my sister and I are closer than we ever have been before. -Lisa Glenn



I've become more understanding of what {my parents} tried to teach me when I was younger

-Justin Philpot



I've come to rely on my parents more since I got to college. As a freshman, I thought I knew everything about life. I didn't appreciate the insight and experience my parents had to offer. It's only now that I realize how incredibly valuable my parents insight is and how much of an asset their experiences in life have been and will continue to be for

Shema N. Mbyirukira

Shelly Scarbrough, visited by her mother and sister, enjoy a Panthers baseball game.

## Move-In Day 2003

We all remember our experience moving into the dorms. It was our first experience as a real college student. This year the campus saw the same familiar scene: residence life staff, SOS and Triangle Club members helping freshmen move in, Campus Security directing traffic, and tons of cars filling up all possible parking places.



Lauren Barre and Veronica Wehby help this newcomer discover where he is supposed to be



Proud new freshman Christy Mitchell stands surrounded by tons of luggage.



Breut Dana has his work cut out for him lugging that huge rng up to New Men's. Everyone's parents get caught up in the move.

Keith Rains, Will Butler, and Patrick Cashio are not too busy to stop and share a laugh.







Philip Gibson wonders at how excited Myron Brown is to be starting yet another school year.



Ashley Vines watches her step as she hauls another load to Cullen Daniel.





William Holby and Carl Nolen help some lucky person get a rather large table up to their room.

Nice guys like David Yokum were willing to help out on Move-In Day.

## Interim

Ali Warren, Stewart Stokes, and Katie Dague explore Rolin Island in the Peruvian Rainforest.

Eric Harper explores a jetty on the coast of Crete.





Matthew Wolfe takes time out from touring and other educational experiences to just have fun.

# A time for new experiences

While many students stay on campus during the month of January, many also choose to explore other parts of the world. Still others spend an extra month at home doing some sort of contracted course. Each of which contributes to a unique educational experience and unparalleled memories. No matter where students spend Interim, it is a cherished month spent taking things more slowly and regrouping before the start of the normal schedule of classes. It is the perfect transition from Christmas break to the spring semester.

Ann Boyd, Caroline Brady, Pearson Smith, Carrie Beth Gantt, Susan Petty, and Amy Brown pause under an olive tree to capture memories of the holy









#### Spring Break: A time to get away

or perhaps not.

Contrary to popular opinion, the majority of college students do not go to the beach for spring break. While there are those that head for sun and sand, there are just as many that head for home to spend time with family and friends. Students at Birmingham-Southern even have the option of going on an alternative spring break. This option includes service projects or maybe just a trip to a nearby state park. There are even those students who stick around campus to enjoy the quiet of an almost deserted BSC. No matter how students spend their week away from class, it is almost guaranteed that they are taking full advantage of not having to go to class.

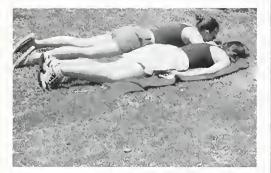




Interim is not the only time to take trips. This group of BSC students took advantage of Spring Break to go on a cruise to the Caribbean.

Dalton Rushing, Susan Petty, and Charlie Williams take part in the timehonored tradition of twirling their napkins during an opera dinner. Finding a free weekend to hang out with you friends can be difficult at times, but it is worth making time to have a girls only weekend.

While a random patch of empty grass is no comparison to the beach, these two girls make the most of their spare time and the warm snn.





While most of us have a hard time braving the weekend traffic on 280, some are more couragous and go rock climbing.



"Every other Saturday, I have to wake up at 7:00 am to go work at the Polo Fields."

- Penney Patterson







# weekend warriors TAKE NO PRISONERS

With all the hustle and bustle of trying to get through a week at BSC, it's important to regain some of one's sanity over the weekend. Here are some memorable weekend excursions

"During exams, Whitney Hasen, Lisa Glenn, and I had studied way too much and decided to dress up in Halloween Costumes and go eat at Los Compadres. After receiving weird looks from our hostess and waiter, we retired back to Goodwin 7D to watch a movie."

- Ashley Vines

"One time Jared Beam, Sundeep Alapati, and I went to Huntsville to pick up a couch. However, we got lost, and I ended up getting a tour of the great North Alabama."

- Daniel Huggins

"Fraternity Bid Day is my favorite weekend of the year because it's a great time to bond with all the new sorority members and get to know the new fraternity pledges. It's also the biggest party all year."

- Kate Drummond

"I went to Center, Texas to help clear a fence on my friend's grandparent's farm. The work wasn't too hard, but we almost killed ourselves playing on the zip line we built."

- Matt Harris





Catching a weekend Panther basketball game can sometimes be just the study break the doctor ordered

Laura Saliba and Margaret McKenzie take advantage of the BBQ and musical entertainment of SOCO weekend.

Christopher Spiker and his partner show off their dancing abilities.

The singers from the band entertain students.



Allison
Downs
ditches
the
guys at
BSC
and
dances
with
her
father.





Prom Comes to College and the entire campus gets a chance to dance the night away in all their finery.

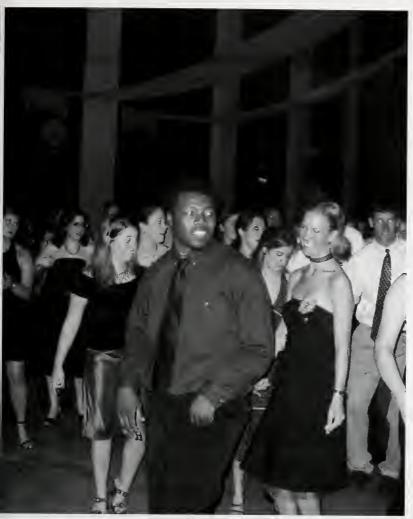


Sunny Larkin sits this one out and keeps Elizabeth Graffeo company.

Susanna Randolph and Leslie Cheng cut loose and forget themselves for a night.







### BSC Semi- Formal

The Greeks are renowned for their parties and dances, but what about the Independents? Last year the idea for a dance involving the entire school was embraced by the SGA. Thus the Annual BSC Semi-Formal was born.

The event is open to all students and their dates. The dance is usualy held off campus with transportation provided. This year's semi-formal was held at the WorkPlay Theater and live entertainment was provided.

Consequently, the semi-formal was scheduled during the weekend of E-fest, which only added to the festive atmosphere of the weekend.

Is Julia McMath leading a conga line or a line dance?

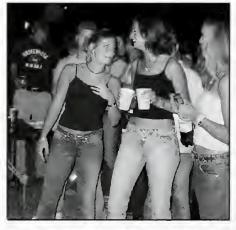




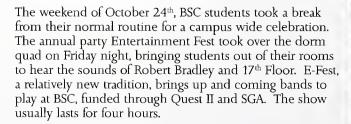
Jessica Boe is caught in the act....of walking like an Egyptian? DB Irwin demonstrates how a "dip" is supposed to be done.



How many college students can say that Tonic came to serenade their campus? Well, this is Tonic thrilling the crowds on BSC's dorm



Shelby Groner and fellow party-goer contemplate the crowd and how to get closer to the band.



Robert Bradley's unique mixture of blues and classic rock started the night off as students slowly trickled into the tent set up for the concert. Covering the classics and introducing the campus to his original songs, Bradley set a slower pace before 17th Floor took the stage. A Rap and R&B cover band, 17th Floor's up beat sound and high energy stage show mesmerized the crowd. Dancing on coolers and the stage, the students all seemed stunned when the show ended with a cover of Eminem's "Lose Yourself." This year's E-Fest was a huge success, setting a high standard for next fall.





More students take in the music of Above: Kelly Fey and her picnic Copperline on Andrews Green during Saturday afternoon.

partner find a vacant seat to savor their barbeque lunch.



## SOCO

#### (formerly known as Southern Comfort)

Sarah Cunningham and friend enjoy a sunny Saturday afternoon as they are entertained by yet another facet of SOCO.



A 'Southern tradition over twenty years in the making, SOCO weekend is an event that BSC students anxiously await each year. A two day event, SOCO dominated the campus the weekend of April 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. Friday night featured headliner Nappy Roots and opening act Downright. Best known for their song "Poor Folks," Nappy Roots, a nationally known rap band, electrified the crowd. Giving an unforgettable performance, Nappy Roots' show managed to receive a few noise complaints from the neighbors.

Saturday afternoon set a slower tone as campus favorite covered a selection of classic rock. Along with the music, students enjoyed inflatable games and Bar-B-Que on the dorm quad. Later that night the campus was introduced to Memphis' Ingram Hill, the opening act for the evening's concert. After Ingram Hill finished, Tonic concluded the weekend with their show. Teasing the crowd with a few chords of "Sweet Home Alabama" in a game of Name that Tune, Tonic mixed in some covers with their own hits. After the bands left, the tent went down, and the trash was picked up, this year's SOCO came to a satisfying close.

One student takes advantage of the blow-up slide, just one of the many games available to students.





Shawntae, one of our caf cashiers, and Nikki, our head chef, greet students as they come to partake of a southern tradition... barbeque.

Nappy Roots leads the student body in a night of fun and old school hits.





Meeting the mayor of Birmingham is just one memory that Josh Vasa, Danielle Ridgeway, and Sonya Thomas will have of BSC's celebration of Black History Month.



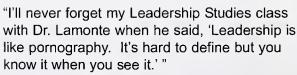
Because of her own childhood memories of trick-or-treating, Haden Wiley passes out candy during Halloween on the Hilltop, hoping this boy will enjoy fond memories of Halloween as well.



Helping with SGA elections is one of the better memories Honor Council members have. Here, Shema Mbyirukira and Lauren Kilgore thank Phyllis Daniel for her vote.



One of the most common views on campus, also happens to be one of the most picturesque...once it is only a memory.



- Adam Israel

"While I was studying for a chemistry test in the library, a high schooler came up and tried to get me to go out on a date with him. He wouldn't leave me alone, and Campus Police eventually had escort him out."

- Hollace Whitlock





### Memories of BSC

Our college years are supposed to be the best years of our lives. No doubt we all have our own sad, funny, exciting, thrilling reminences of college. No matter how old we get, we will always have those memories to tell our kids and friends. Here are a few memorable moments from BSC students.



After finishing a rigorous day of class, Kristen Kurtts, Dawn Stanfield, and Heather Sellers discuss how they never want to remember this day again.

"For one of Dr. Spieler's Calculus tests, all 9 of us in the class stayed up till 6:00 am studying only for the highest grade to be a 62 with a class average of 42."

- Jacob Bivona

"Over Spring Break, I enjoyed bonding with four other people at the Destin hospital because we all got a stomach virus on the second day."

- Sara Katherine Belser

## People

As a new school year began, students lined up and practiced their happiest, most dazzling smiles before getting immortalized in yet another yearbook photo. While some of these students were fearful freshmen still trying to connect names with faces, others were seasoned veterans simply going through the motions of getting another year started at Birmingham-Southern. As all of the students settled in for the year, more memories were made and captured on film. Through these pictures, we will be able to remember the joys, triumphs, and sorrows that made us what we have become. One day when these memories overwhelm us and move us to tears, it will be wise to remember the words of Arsene Houssay: "We must always have old memories and young hopes." You should never forget the memories you have made, nor should you forget to keep making them.

What is one thing that can always brighten your day? Junior Ashley Powell knows it's getting mail from someone who cares.

Gazing out the window while chatting with friends is an easy way to pass the time.







Rebecca Morris, Bethany Butts, and Audrey Cook dress up to greet spooky, Halloween visitors during Halloween on the Hilltop 2003.



Sally Abbott



Susan Adams



Ceren Aksut



Kirk Alford



Jonathan Allen



Derek Arnold



Lynn Austin



Payne Baker



Mandy Barham



Rebecca Barnes



Rebecca Beers



Kim Bell



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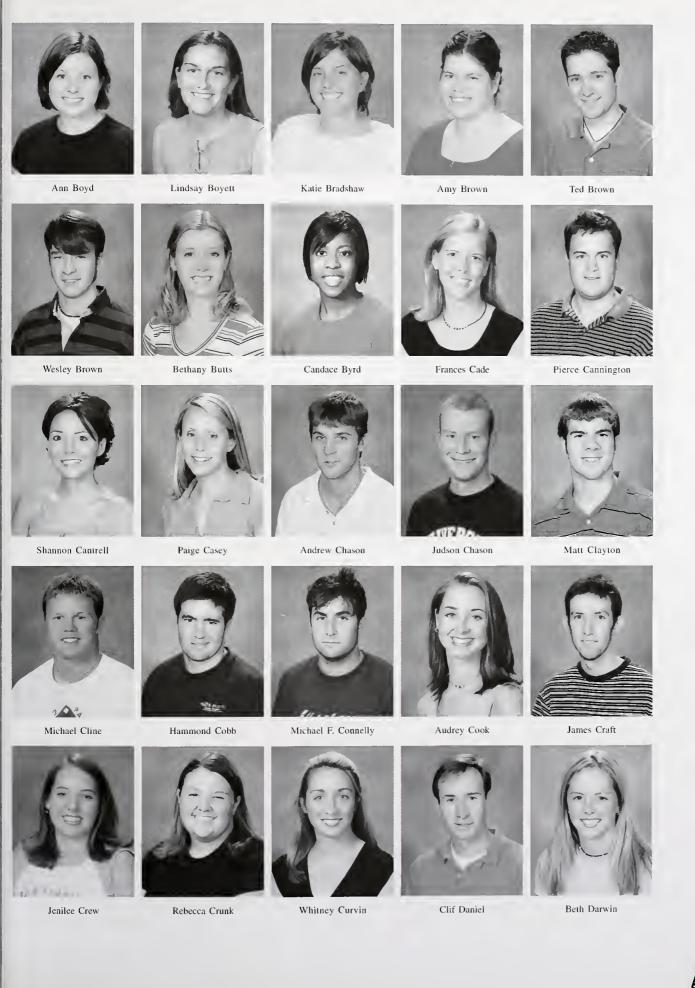


Dan Bostick



Erik Boustany





Sunday Vanderver reaps the benefits of multitasking while enjoying a nutritious lunch and preparing for class.







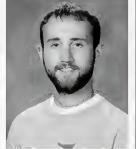


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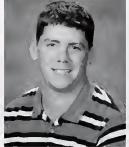
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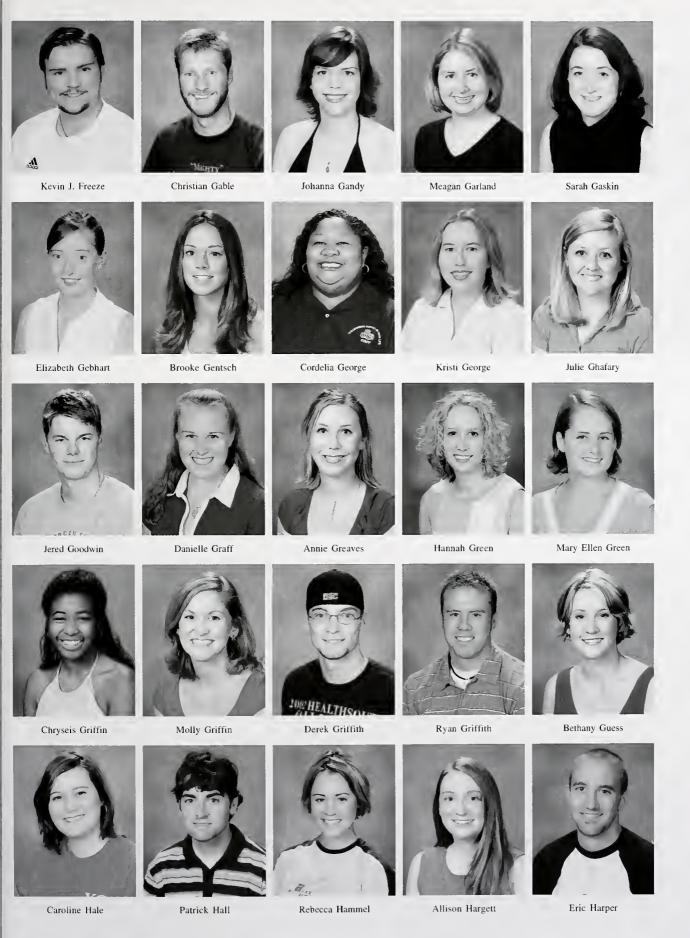
Mary Helen Ferguson

Stephen Fike

Rae Forrest

Jocelyn Forsythe





Michelle Downing and Ginny Nicholson obviously think lab can be both educational and fun.







Wanda Harper

Rebecca Harris





Courtney Harrison

Aynsley Harrow



Christina Haynes

Kathryn Hendrix



Brett Hollett



Charles Horn



Douglas Horvat



Stephanie Houston



Sarah Kathryn Hughes



Meredith Humber



Ryan Huntley



Karen Johnson



Kim Johnson



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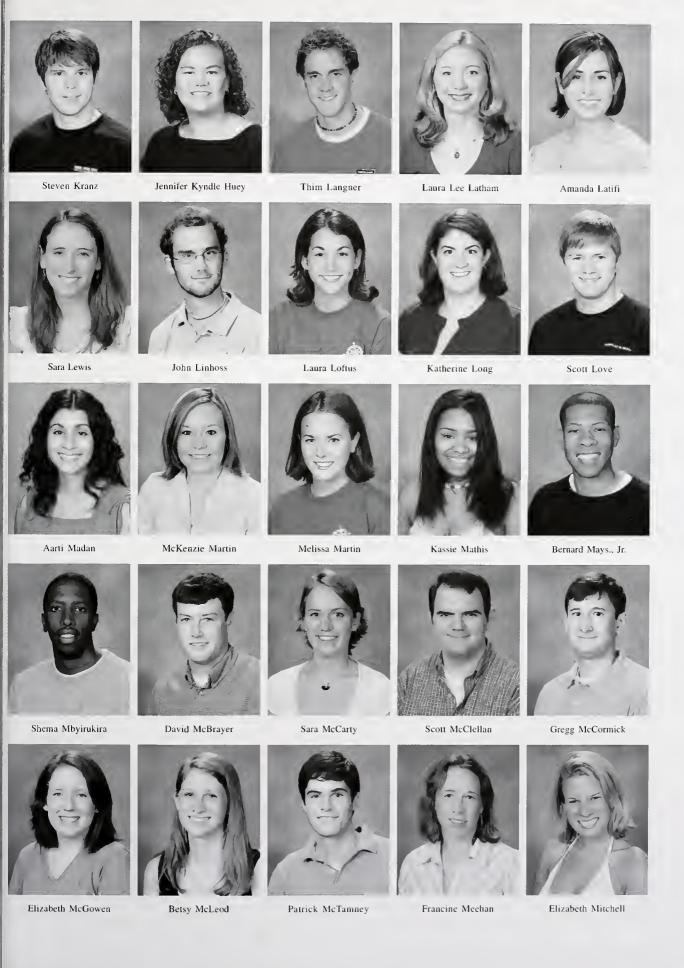


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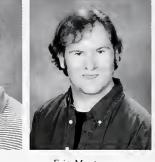




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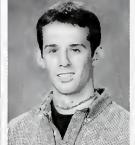


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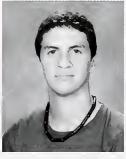
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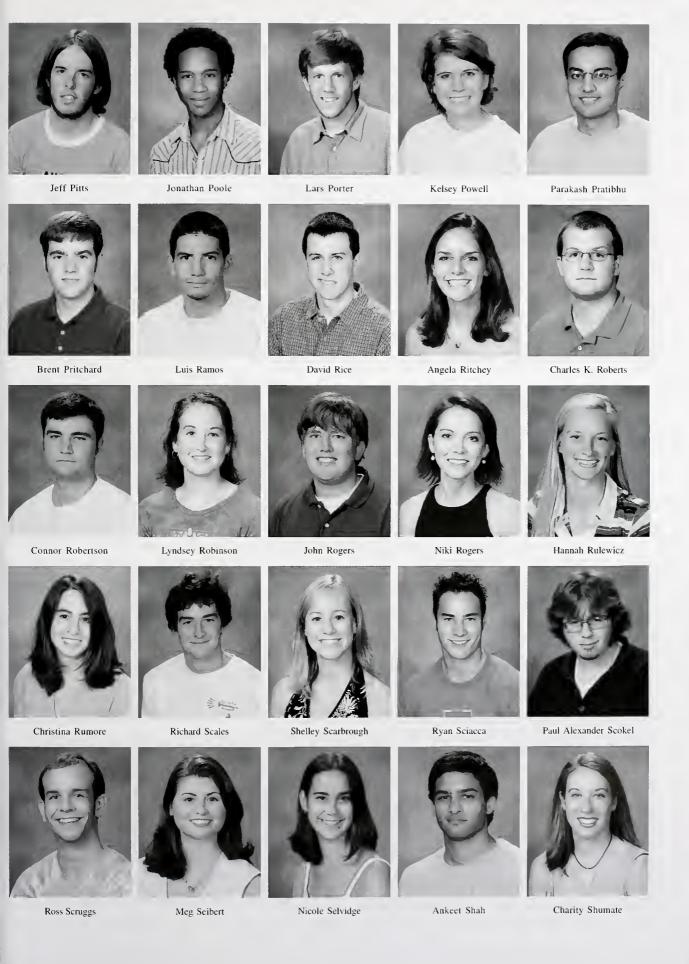
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Meredith Humber must be thinking, "This is the life," as she plays Frisbee on a remote Caribhean island. Students learned how to sail a schooner during Interim at Sea 2004.







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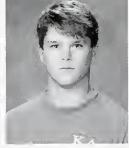
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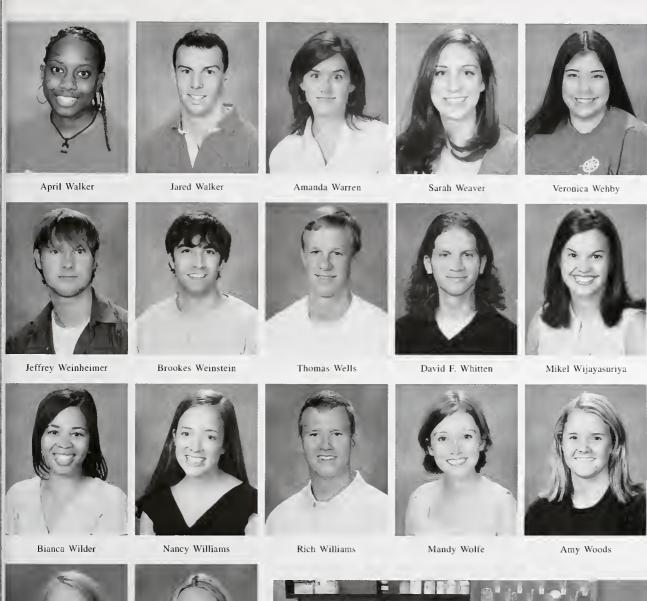
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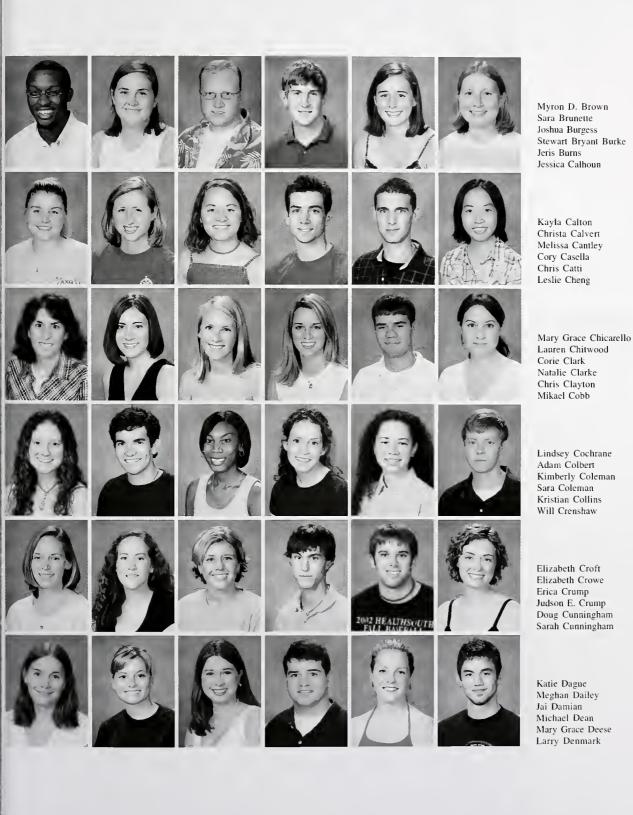
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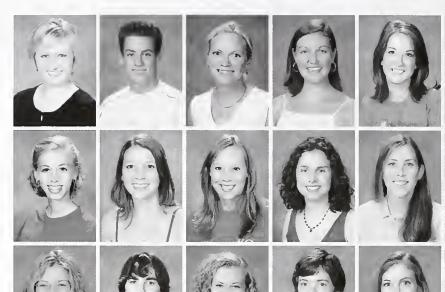
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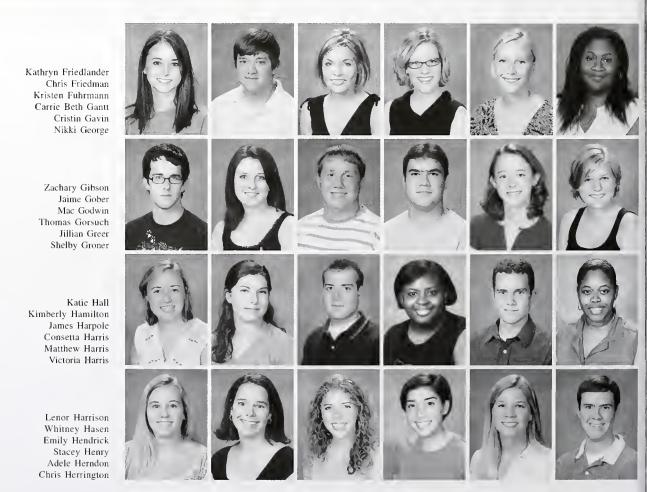
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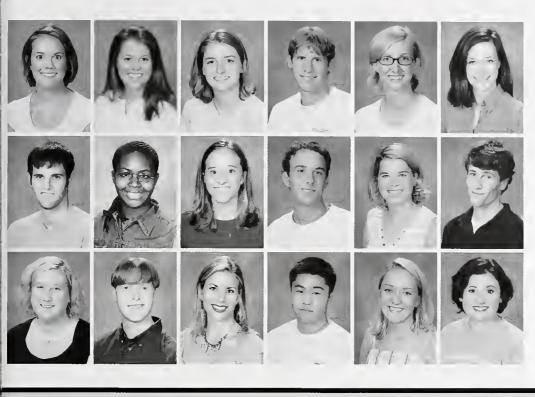
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#### The meeting of two personalities is like the contact of two chemical







Sarah Hibbard Ashley Holder Sarah Hollowell Jamie Holmes Kathryn Holmes Olivia Hooper

Michael Hubbard Natalie Hudson Jenny Hughes David Humber Daisy Humphrey Robert David Hunt

Emily Hunter Joseph Hutchings Diana Isbell Jaime Isobe Jerry Anne Jackson Ashlei Jenkins

#### substances: if there is any reaction, both are transformed. Carl Jung



Ben Jeter Suelin Joe Jeremy Johnson Scott Johnson Abbott Jones Sarah Kasbohm

Gary Keefer Lauren Kilgore Meredith Kirkpatrick Brooks Klingenbeck Josh Knight Martina Knotkova

Conservation of energy in action. Naps can attack anytime, anywhere so be prepared.

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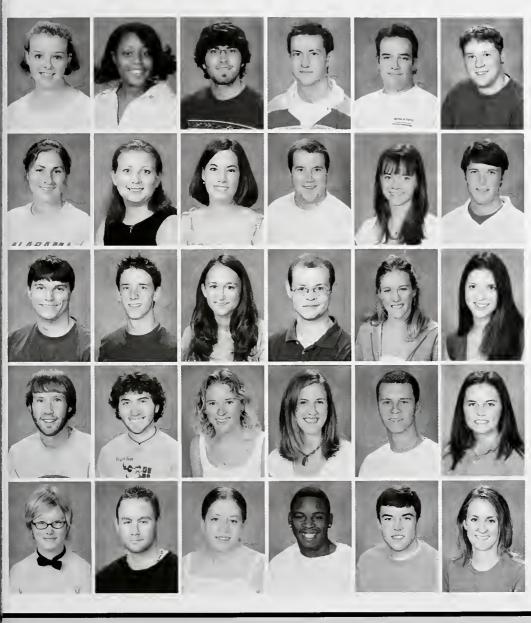












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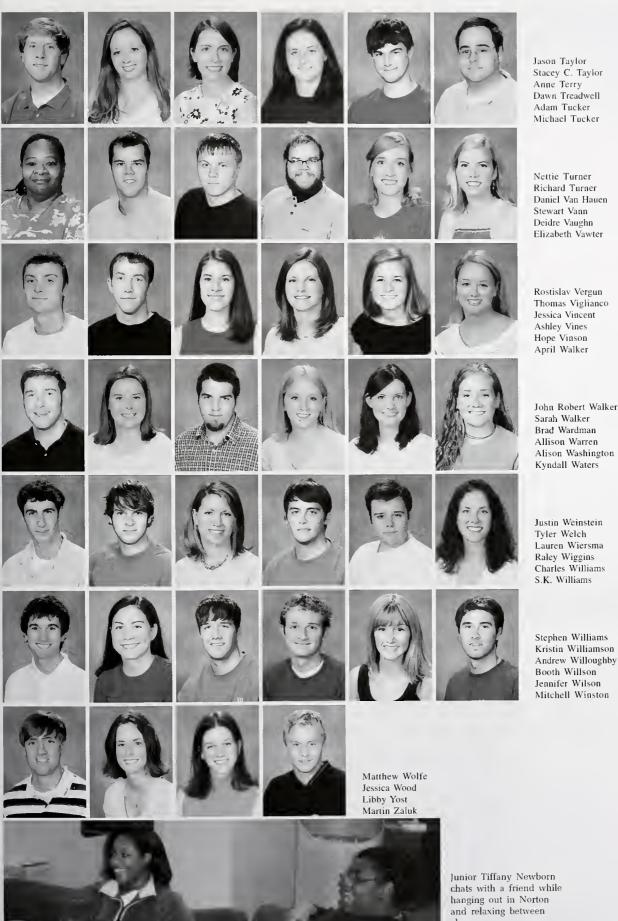




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I've learned that all a person has in life is family and friends. If you lose those, you have

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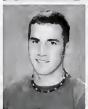


















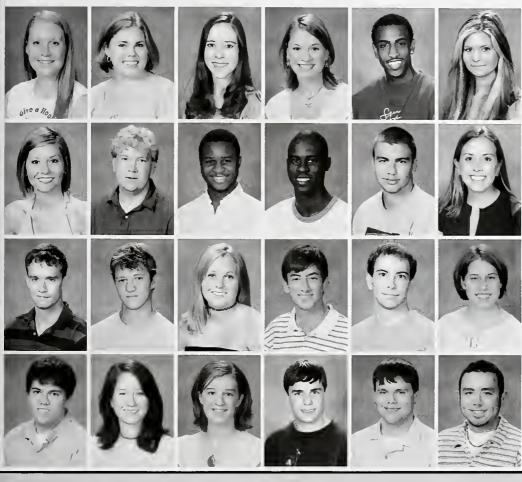












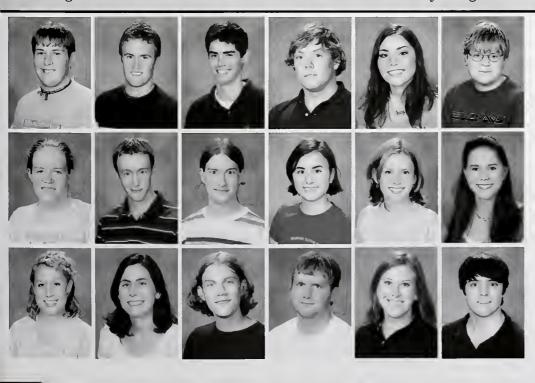
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Del Dejean
Kelly Deloach

William Dickerson Kate Drummond Emily Duggan Matthew Dye Tristan Early Todd Easter

#### nothing, so friends are to be treasured more than anything else in the world. South Park



John Easterling Douglas Eckhardt Matthew Ellis Mitch Ennis Ashley Eslava Chad Ezekiel

Rosalynn Fairless Andrew Faucett Stephen Flowers Katherine Fontenot Elizabeth Frye Anna Fuller

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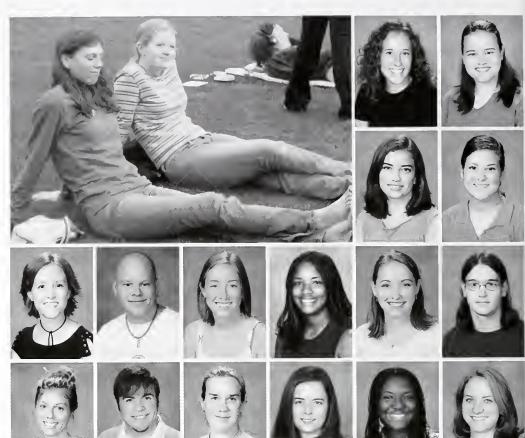
Sara Gillam Kathryn Gilmer

Sophomores Meg Guscette and Anna Chandler know that the intramural field is "the" place to be for soaking up sunshine and watching a game of Ultimate Frisbee.

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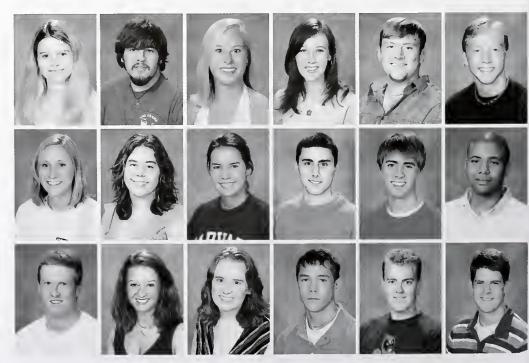


#### Hard work spotlights the character of people: some turn up their sleeves,

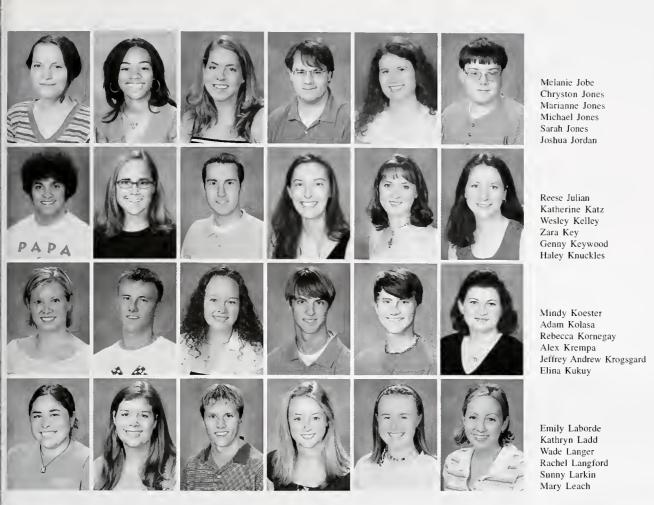
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#### some turn up their noses, and some don't turn up at all. Sam Ewing

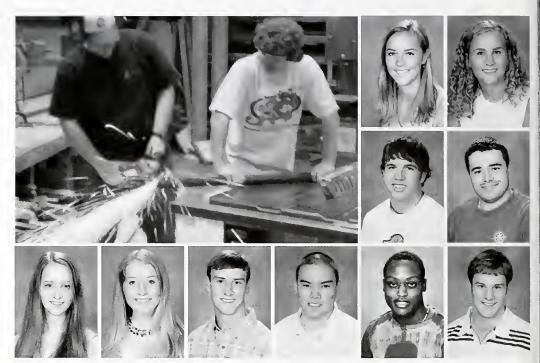


Rankin Miller Anna Morton

No, it is not a scene from The Texas Chainsaw Massacre. It's just some guys working on a set in the theater shop.

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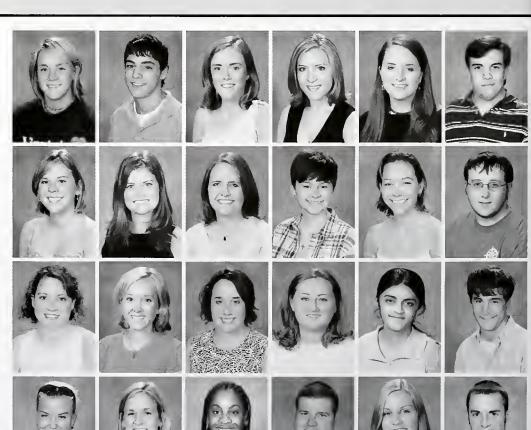
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> Lauren Platt Ashley Pope Ashley Powell Jennifer Pruitt Aditi Puri Neil Quinn

Casey Ragsdale Christine Rauch Marquia Ray Zach Reardon Cassie Reed Cody Rickert







































Emily Shedd Lennie Shewmaker Patrick Shields Brad Sims Jessica Singh Jana Smelley

through self-gratification but through fidelity to a worthy purpose.

Helen Keller



















































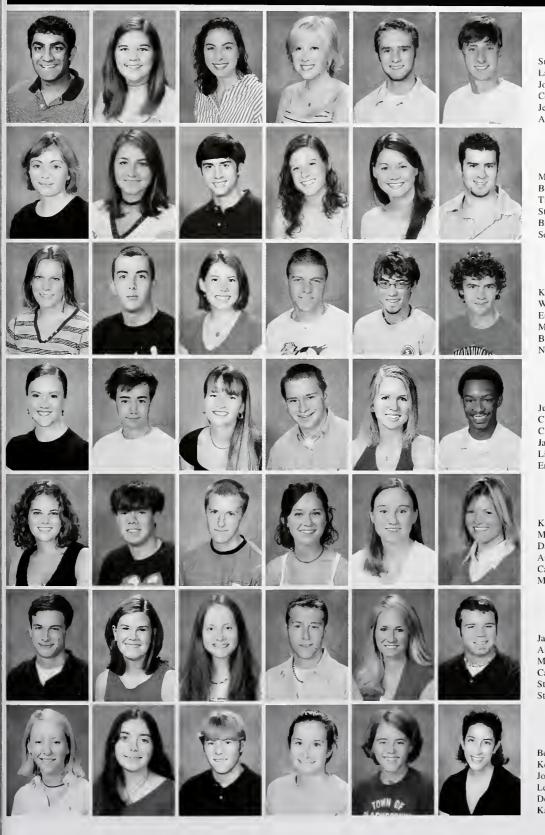




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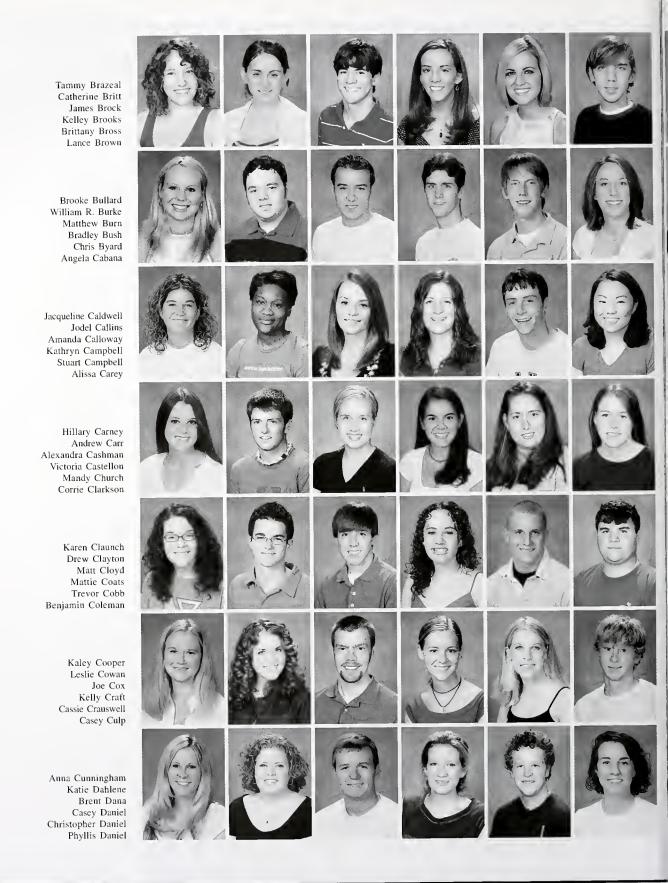
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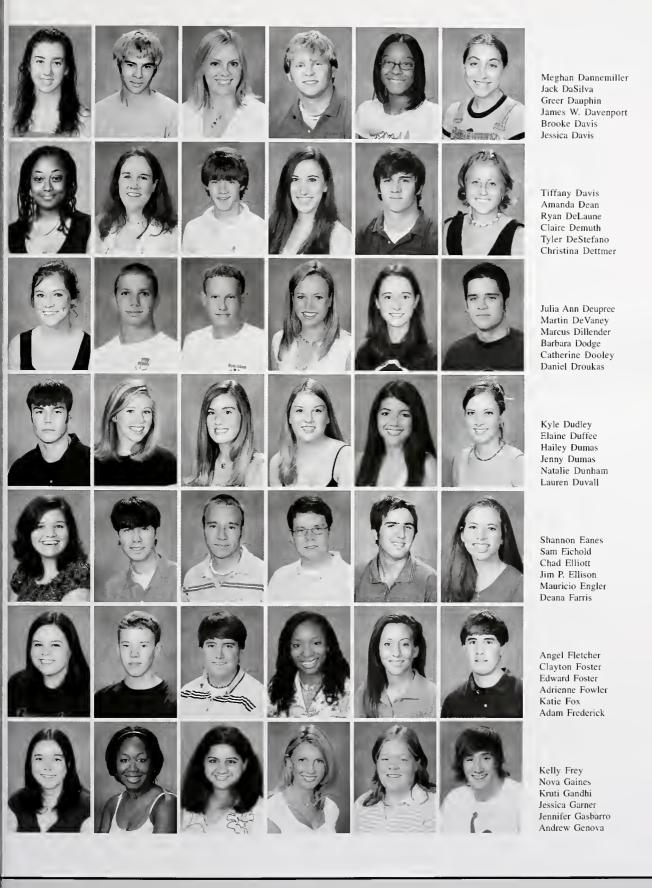
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A lie can travel halfway around the world while



the truth is putting on its shoes. Mark Twain

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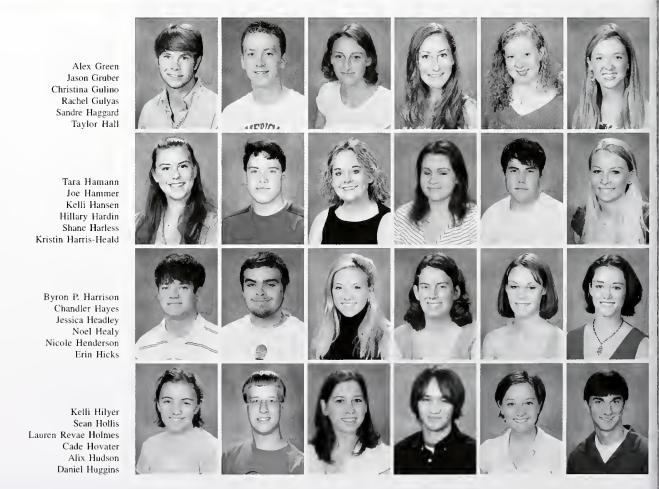






Arnold Gore Jennings Goza Joseph Granade Jamel Maria Grandberry Mariel Gray Whitney Gray

### My future starts when I wake up every morning... Every day



























Melissa Humber Kinley Hurst Brandon Hynick Leslie Inmon Maggie Inmon Russ Irby

Mary Ivey Juliet Jackson Kate Jenkins Matt Jenkins Thomas E. Jensen Christopher Johnson

#### I find something creative to do with my life. Miles Davis



































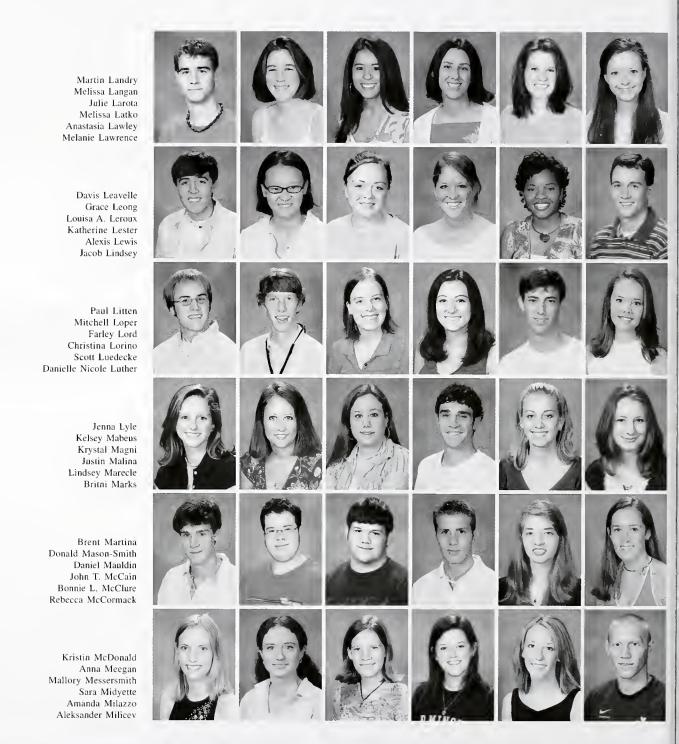




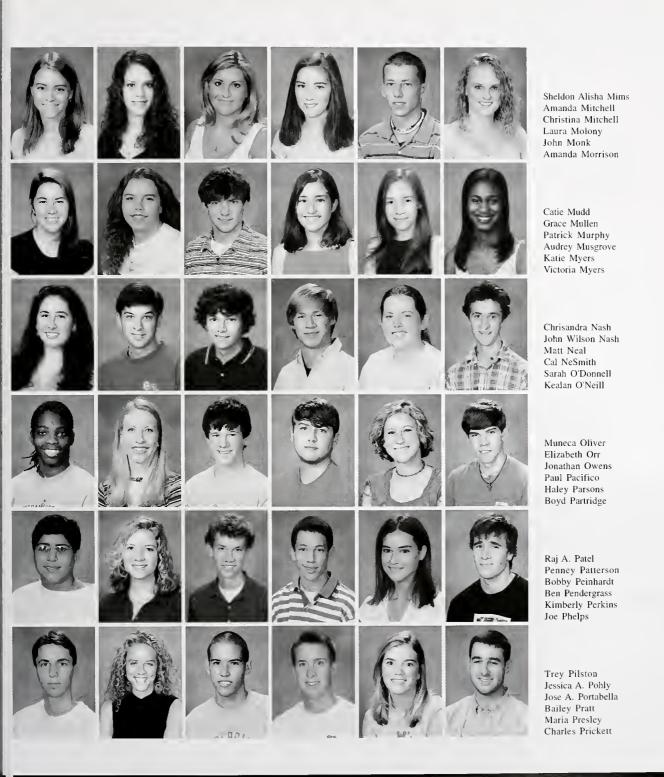
Andra Krautmanis Mary Patton Kyser

These girls take a moment to chat and catch up in the theater before heading off to another class.

Eddie Lacour Linda Lager



I value the friend who finds time for me on his calender, but I cherish



the friend who does not consult his calendar. Robert Brault

These girls know that hanging out in the caf is a great way to keep up with friends while juggling a tough class schedule.

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Keith Rains

David Ray Anna Reach Avanija Reddy Hunter Renfroe Hannah Richard Whitney Richards











If instead of a gem, or even a flower, we should cast the gift of a loving thought

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Jacob Rouden William Rowe Nicole Ryberg Margaret Salem Raquel Ivonne Sanfiel Dorothy Sarris













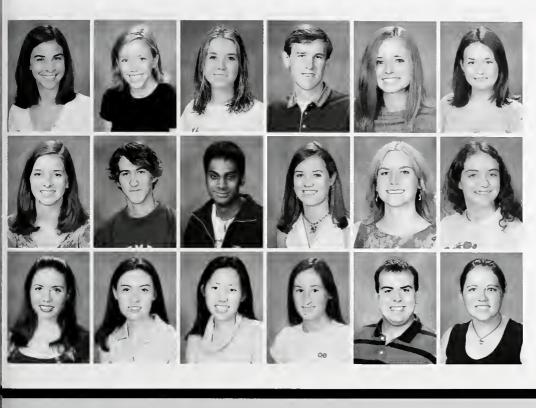








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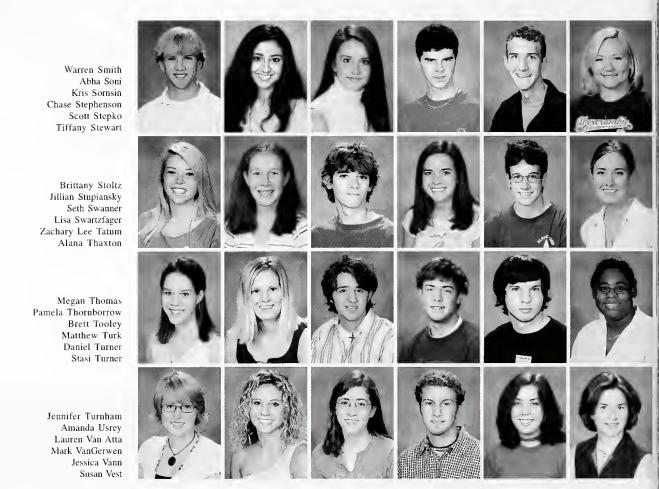
into the heart of a friend, that would be giving as the angels give. George MacDonald



Brandon Smith Justin Smith

Melissa Smith Shannon Smith

These girls catch up on the latest campus news while walking back from class.



Don't walk behind me, I may not lead. Don't walk in front of me, I may

Josh Wadkins Lauren Walker Eric Wallace Emmaline Walters Sining Wang Margaret Ware



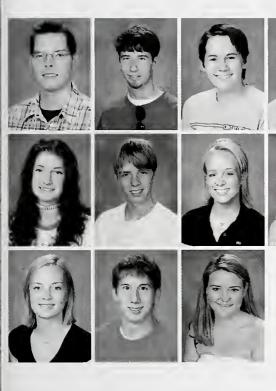
















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Nancy Winkelmann Calvin Woodruff Christina Young

not follow. Just walk beside me and be my friend.

Albert Camus

## Academic Divisions

Birmingham-Southern has always been an institution devoted to the promotion of academic achievement. With BSC's collection of esteemed professors, it is certain that this tradition of excellence will continue for many years to come. No matter what major 'Southern's students choose to pursue, they can always be assured that theirs is an education a cut above that of most colleges and universities. It is always important, however, to remember the words of Millard Fuller: "It's not your blue blood, your pedigree or your college degree. It's what you do with your life that counts." The professors recognized in the following pages have dedicated their lives to a most noble cause: the education of young minds. We should all hope to make as much of a difference in the lives of those who will come after us.



Sarah Romines carefully prepares for another learning- filled class.

Professor Robert Shelton discusses some interesting topics in his art class.





 $\label{lem:concepts} \begin{tabular}{ll} Vince Gawronski discusses difficult concepts about Political Science. \end{tabular}$ 

#### Behavioral and Social Sciences

Division Faculty
Seated (left to right): Vince
Gawronski, Holly Deemer, Bob
Slagter, and Robin Ryle
Standing (left to right): Angela
Thomas, Richard MaCallum,
Lynne Trench, Terry Goodrick,
and Guy Dalto
Not pictured: Natalie Davis, Ed
LaMonte, Christopher Mazurek,
Shane Pitts, Sandra Redden,
Christopher Robinson

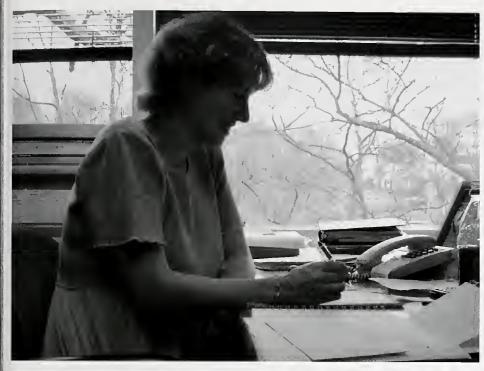


"All human actions have one or more of these seven causes: chance, nature, compulsion, habit, reason, passion, and desire."

-Aristotle (384 BC - 322 BC)



Dr. Slagter says, "You, in the back. Yes, you. Would you please answer my question?"



Lynne Trench is busy grading another set of papers for her psychology class.



Taking a break in his office between classes, Guy Dalto never passes an opportunity to get a little paperwork finished.



Terry Goodrick discusses a fascinating topic in History and Systems of Psychology, while her students contemplate answers to her questions.

#### Business and Economics

#### **Division Faculty**

Left to right: Jack Taylor, Sara Robicheaux, Tara Sudderth, and George Klersey

Not pictured: Byron Chew, Paul Cleveland, John Davis, Bill Leland, Bert Morrow, Kathleen Greer Rossmann, Ron Stunda, and Allan Trippe



"Success in business requires training and discipline and hard work. But if you're not frightened by these things, the opportunities are just as great today as they ever were."

-David Rockefeller (1915 -)



Economics professor, Kathleen Rossmann, leads an exciting classroom activity.



Byron Chew lectures his students on the theory behind business.



Tara Sudderth explains a tricky concept to a student.

#### Education



Gwenth McCorquodale flips through a file concerning one of her classes.

"The whole art of teaching is only the art of awakening the natural curiosity of young minds for the purpose of satisfying it afterwards."

-Anatole France (1844 -1924)

Rnsty Kirkpatrick finishes some paperwork before heading to her next class.



Clint Bruess kicks back to read over a student's paper.





#### **Division Faculty**

Seated (from left to right): Eillen Moore, Phyllis Williams, and Clint Bruess

Standing (left to right): Mary Jane Turner, Rusty Kirkpatrick, and Franchesca Gross





Phyllis Williams stops for a moment between her education classes to grab an additional instructional tool.

Paul Litten brushes up on his computer skills as he does research for an education project.

#### Fine and Performing Arts



#### **Division Faculty**

Standing (left to right): Michael Flowers, Lester Seigel, Alan Litsey, Bob Shelton, Jim Neel, and Ron Hooten

Sitting (left to right): Mildred Allen, Kathleen Spies, Jacqueline Leary-Warsaw and Pamela Venz Not pictured: Janet Alcorn, David Allinder, Adam Bowles, Steve Cole, Jeanmarie Collins, James Cook, Jody Coombes, William DeVan, Ginger Dismukes, Judy Donaldson, Jay Evans, Michael Fernandez, Jacqueline Garrett, Tom Gibbs, Deborah Grebeldinger, Emily Hammood, Ruth Henry, Jan Hill, Dorothy Hindman, Craig Hutgren, Catherine Hunt, Johnny Jacobs, Patty Kirkley, Charles Mason, Neal Matherne, Ellise Mayor, Alice Mazanec, Matthew Mielke, Sissy Monroe, Constance Moore, Mark Nuss, Anne Pandolfi, Lonnie Parsons, Patty Pilon, Mira Popovich, Melane Richardson, Line Ringuette-Brake, Brandon Robertson, Jennifer Roth-Burnette, Karlo Senasi, Jack Sharp, David Smith, Cooper Spivey, Jodean Tingle, Chris Trice, Ronda Tunnell, Ellen Tweiten, Lucy Victory, Sandra Walker, Teri Weksler, Sallie White, Lisa Wienhold, Bill Williams, Donna Wilson, LuAnne Wilson, Nancy Wingard, Charlotte Zuckerman

"Art is the desire of a man to express himself, to record the reactions of his personality to the world he lives in."

- Amy Lowell (1874 - 1925)





Ruth Henry instructs her dancing students on a better way to execute the step.



Lester Seigel and Jaqueline Leary-Warsaw take a bow to a standing ovation after completing a difficult musical piece.



Dr. Neel discusses various artistic techniques with his class.

#### Humanities

#### **Division Faculty**

Standing back row (left to right): Peter Donahue, Mark Lester, Bill Nicholas, Tynes Cowan, and Larry Brasher

Middle (left to right): Alberto Luna, Gail Smith, Randall Law, Judy Cox, Kent Andersen, and Sam Stayer

Sitting (left to right): Kim Lewis, Dominique Linchet, Sandra Sprayberry, Renee Norrell, and Fred Ashe

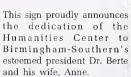
Not pictured: Chris Alexander, Jane Archer, Rachel Clevenger, Barbara Domcekova, Susan Hagen, Steven Hendley, Margaret King, Michael McInturff, Bob Levey, Morgan, Bill Myers, Sam Pezzillo, Gregory Reece, Janie Spencer, John Tatter, David Ullrich, and Roy Wells



Language lab director Kim Thomas assists a student with an assignment.







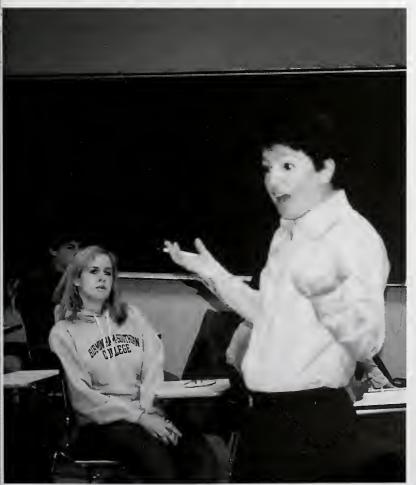






Bishop Morgan lectures to his interim group who traveled to Turkey and Greece. The group traced the steps of the disciple Paul.

Dr. Tynes Cowan carefully contemplates a question posed by his Introduction to Writing class.



"Learning is not attained by chance, it must be sought for with ardor and attended to with diligence."

-Abigail Adams (1744 - 1818)

Dr. Linchet animatedly addresses the conjugation of "to be" verbs in one of her French classes.

#### Science and Mathematics



David Schedler understands that Organic Chemistry can be rather tedious and tricky, which is why he is always open for questions.

"Perfect as the wing of a bird may be, it will never enable the bird to fly if unsupported by the air. Facts are the air of science. Without them a man of science can never rise."

-Ivan Pavlov (1849 - 1936)



Duane Pontius animatedly describes a difficult physics concept to his class



Math professor, Dr. Mullins, helps enlighten one of her students about a difficult problem.





#### **Division Faculty**

Standing (left to right): Clyde Stanton, Rick Turner, Lewis Patterson, Pamela Hanson, Jeannette Runquist, David Schedler, Duane Pontius Jr., Leo Pezzementi, Scot Duncan, Rodney Dunning, and Jeff Barton

Kneeling (left to right): Doug Riley, Laura Stultz, Megan Gibbons, Barry Spieler, Andy Gannon, Scott Dorman, and Burnie Mullins

Not pictured: Glenn Adamson, Regina Arnold-Stanton, Marietta Cameron, Martin Crawford, Kimberly Curlee, Jenny Estes, Steven Fenster, Joe Finkel, Scott Hofer, Cathy Ivey, Duane Pontius Sr., Mickie Powell, Darrin Richards, Wayne Shew,

Dr. Pezzementi demonstrates a precise laboratory technique for his Biochemistry group including Karen Johnson on the left and Katherine Long and Ashley Wright in the background.

# Organizations: The Livelihood of BSC

It takes more than a classroom to make us feel at home.



Laura Oldham as Puck in A Midsummer Night's Dream, sneaks mischieviously through the forest.









Sky Stewart, as a part of Quest II, helps set up signs for SOCO to show students and visitors where to check in.

Mira Popovitch celebrates 30 years of teaching dance at 'Southern with students past and present.

Charles Horn stands and admires the artwork of fellow students.

# the Giving Grand Tour

Members of Ivy League show prospective students the beauty of BSC

Senior Ivy League member Nikki Rogers takes a group of visiting high school students and their parents through the academic quad.



Leading a group of students towards the Margurite Jones Harbet building, Nikki Rogers points out other buildings across the Academic Quad.

Admission counselor Karen Lytle serves as an ambassador to Ivy League on this campus tour. As an admission counselor, she helped prospective students with any questions pertaining to Birmingham-Southern College.









Junior Jennifer Wilson guides a group of perspective students on Black and Gold Day.



Nikki Rogers keeps her group together with a sign designating the group number as they walk toward the Bell Tower.



During these scheduled Ivy League Tours, prospective students were able to see classrooms, dorm rooms, Striplin and perhaps most important, the caf. These tours were important for students so they could see the campus. The look and feel of a campus often helps a student make their final decision on where to attend college. During an Ivy League tour, guides are responsible for knowing many historical facts about Birmingham-Southern. Parents and students are told about the merging of Birmingham College and Southern Methodist University, shown the site of the old Munger Bowl, and given some information about the history of the buildings. Ivy League tours allowed for parents and students to see and recieve information about the campus together.

Kathryn Gilmer reads an original poem during a poetry night in the cellar.

The band B.R.A.D. provides a musical break for the night.





Bonnie McClure and DB Irwin listen attentively to the poetry readings and musical accompaniment.

Marquia Ray announces the upcoming poets.







### Southern's Poetry Circle

BSC students share their artistic talents







Shannon Smith shares her own work with the crowd.

above: Jillian Greer, Benjamin Marsh, DB Irwin, and Bonnie McClure pose as the poetry circle.

Kathryn Gilmer reads as Jillian Greer and Melissa Brown look on.



## A Midsummer Night's Dream

Students perform Shakespeare's classic with a twist







A love-struck Helena (Morgan Smith) clings to Demetrius (Trey Tatum).

Paige McDonald, Webb Bancroft, and Taylor Driskell discuss the wedding plans of the mortals.

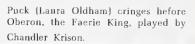
A spellbound Lysander (Lucas Pepke) attempts in vain to thwart Hermia's (Sara Beth Tanner) advances.















The cast and crew of A Midsummer Night's Dream



Amber Quick, as Titania, gazes longingly at Bottom, th man-turned-donkey portrayed by Martin Landry.

Erin Wakeman demands that the ghost of the former nanny, played by Katie Simms stop haunting the children.







Jenna Lyle and Josh Wilson struggle through an awkward blind date.

The characters of Martin Landry, Paige McDonald, and Chandler Krison display the passage of time in the Spitfire Grill with their props and lyrics.





Percy, played by Sara Beth Tanner looks on as Katie Barton critiques her cooking.

Everyone applauds Amber Quick's character for the mail she receives regarding her Spitfire Grill raffle.





Percy expresses how fed up she is with the local busy-body (Paige McDonald) attitude and criticisms.



Collin Alexander and Katie Hall play the children in league with the ghosts of the nanny and the butler. Jonathan Poole partners Bethany Butts in the finale of the Spring Student Choreography Workshop.

Bonnie Wootan pours candy into Bethany Butts' mouth before the show.





Carlon Self, Christina Young, Rebecca Morris, and Bonnie Wootan tap to jazz rhythms set by Kristen Prince.

In a modern piece by Barbara Pusey, Jenny Hughes, Bethany Butts, Kristen Prince, and Audrey Cook leaped, stomped, and clapped to African vocals.







# Center Stage

Dancers perform in in the Spring show







The cast of the dance show.

Melissa Smith, Jonathan Poole, and Elizabeth Croft sizzle in a piece choreographed by Bonnie Wootan.

Above: Set to music composed by Dr. Mason, Rebecca Morris, Barbara Pusey, and Elizabeth Croft perform to choreography by Jonathan Poole. Becky Stephens, Lucy Hamilton, and Jenny Hughes perform to Cirque de Soleil music as part of Bethany Butts' senior choreography project.

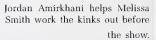
Barbara Pusey, Becky Stephens, and Julie Batson in a classical ballet piece by Sara Sutton.















Like Lucy Hamilton, some people have more time on their hands than others before the show.





Choreographed by Jenny Hughes, this lilting piece danced by Melissa Smith, Sara Sutton, Jordan Amirkhani, Bethany Butts, and Jenny Hughes silenced the audience with its serenity.



Lindsey Roszell, Bethany Butts, Audrey Cook, and Emmie Silvernail exude their anguish to the audience.

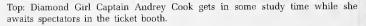
# Take Me Out to the Ballgame

BSC's Diamond Girls glitter on the field









Talking to a fan before the baseball game begins, freshman Sandy Haggard does her part working the game.

After the hitter drops his bat, Kris Sornsin rushes to the field to retrieve the bat.







Freshman Katie Dahlene and Kari Koenig sell BSC Baseball merchandise and hand out BINGO cards.

The Diamond Girls sold TShirts, sweatshirts, baseball hats and other items supporting the Panthers. They also handed out BINGO cards and ran the raffle both of which allowed a fan to win prizes.

Sophomore Anna Gimenez works at the merchandise table during a home game.





Watching the game, freshman Deana Farris, sophomore Jordan Spencer, sophomore Jessica Neil, sophomore Anna Gimenez and Maggie Parker cheer for the Panthers. The girls always sat in the front row of the bleachers to offer support to the team.

Freshman interviewed during the fall semester in hopes of being chosen as one of BSC's Diamond Girls. Diamond Girls were responsible for removing the bats for both the visting team and Southern. The job, though exhausting, was one of the most involved jobs the girls could sign up for. Being on the field with the players was exciting.



Co-President, senior Michelle
Downing, junior Wade
Mincher, junior Andrea
Boohaker, and sophomore
Marae Bernard listen to ideas
for an upcoming S.O.S.
sponsered event.

Attending one of the year's many meetings, Carrie Reamey and Allison Downs listen to advisor Josh Vasa.





Junior Chris Page and sophomore Amber Rhodes takes notes during a meeting in the caf.  $\,$ 





Sophomore Heather Sellers and Justin Philpot listen to a member speak at one of S.O.S's meetings.



# Sendin'Out an S.O.S.

Students Offering Support offers support to the campus community

S.O.S. members are best known for helping the freshman move in and running orientation activities. This year, the "Blue Shirts" successfully completed their assignment. Besides keeping freshmen orientation running smoothly, Students Offering Support plan many informative programs for all classes throughout the year. During the year, each member was responsible for being a participating with a committee that would be responsible for putting on a major event. This year, "Mocktails" and Health Week were both sponsored by S.O.S. The group met frequently to plan upcoming events and prepare for interviewing potential new members. S.O.S. held interviews in the spring for people interested in joining the well known group on campus. This group of students becomes close during the week of training they take part in the week before starting their duties in the fall.





Junior Jessica Boe laughs at something said by a fellow S.O.S.er. Though the goup always worked hard in their meetings, they still had some time to laugh and be silly.

### Service Smile with a

Alpha Phi Omega is BSC's new service fraternity





The members of Alpha Phi Omega





Gretchen Deutsch and Lauren Walker display all the teddy bears that they collected inthe Atrium this spring.



Gretchen Dentsch and Lauren Walker pack it up and move it out after a successful service project.



Thelisia Boykin, Danielle Ridgeway, Rushton Johnson, Charles Newborn, Andrew Smith, Josh Vasa, Thomas Martin, and Stephanie Honston display their vocal talents inthe Hill Recital Hall.

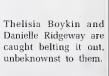
Rushton Johnson chimes in with an instrument as Charles Newborn looks on.



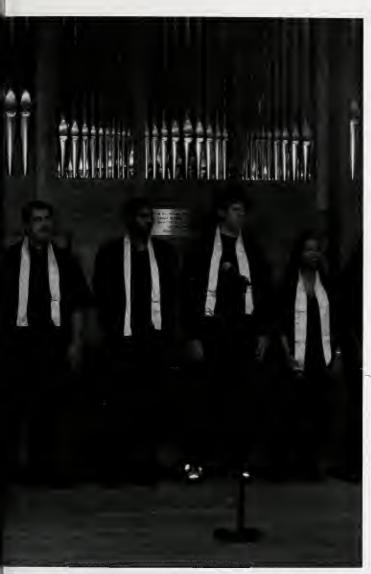




Mallory Messersmith, Kandace Hamilton, and Cheryl Watters enjoy the opportunity to sing gospel music together.







# Singing Praises

BSC Gospel Choir sings for BSC

Kandace Hamilton, Staci Henry, Mallory Messersmith, and Brooke Davis prepare for the next song.







Members of BSC's One Accord Gospel Choir

Andrew Smith and Josh Vasa rest until their parts come in.



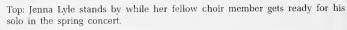
# Choir... Southern Style

Southern Chorale sings for the Hilltop









These two students are distracted from the rehersal by the camera.

Others are oblivious to the camera and watch the director intently.







David Gaston clowns on the pavement.



Keith Rogers scrutinizes the geometric poperties of the cube.



These two students team up to draw their entries for the sidewalk chalk contest.



# Gettin' Sketchy Art Student League gets crafty with sidewalk chalk

Keith Rogers and Stacey Taylor make their own forms of cubism.







Liz Taul, Stacey Taylor, Mallory Messersmith, Charles Horn, and Keith Rogers watch a rather unusual entry to the contest.

Yet another student works diligently on his masterpeice.

# Southern Accent

Cataloguing the memories of the entire campus.







Top: Erica Sisk proofs pages that have been completed by other staff members.

Margaret Ege crops pictures to finish up her pages.







Audrey Cook and Margaret Ege watch as rica Sisk explains the best way to do a layout.



Kris Sornsin helps Angela Cabana figure out which pictures should go where.



ris Sornsin reveals what can happen to people who spend too much time in the earbook room.

#### This year's staff includes

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## AN ATHLETE'S LIFE

The life of an athlete involves long days that start at dawn and even longer nights that sometimes don't end until after midnight. The life of an athlete is full of sacrifices: of time, sleep, friends, fun. The choice between school and sport is not an easy one. Nor is the life that combines the two. Yet they who choose to thrive off the performance, the competition, the adrenaline, the crowd noise and the thrill of victory. For a B-SC athlete, more points on the board, a good run time, or a killer ace shot are not enough. Personal satisfaction with one's effort is paramount. Each practice presents an opportunity to improve, to push their abilities to the next level. And each game day could be likened to an actor's stage,

where athletes prove themselves time and time again. In either golf basketball, softball, tennis, or cross country--whatever the sport--the participants give it their all, practice after grueling practice, whether they face successes or defeats. The college athlete brings a dedication to the sport matched only by proathletes or Olympians. And, college athletes' passion and drive must keep them going in their sport and in their coursework.



Cammie Nix shows off a powerful forehand.

B-SC athletes have their eyes on the prize in both athletics and academ ics. It is a strong mind and will that can bring the two harmoniously together. Winning championships and conference titles prove fitting rewards for a job well done.

Rachel Malmborg (#8) takes a huge leap to return the serve and score on the opposing team.







Jared Walker's practiced follow-through sends the baseball deep into the outfield.



Senior basketball standout Grant Davis jockeys with another player for the best rebound position.



The start of another grueling race. Men's Cross Country runners Jacob Stidham, Jack da Silva, Ben Pendarvis and Lars Porter prepare to pull away from the pack.





It's the offense that puts more points on the board. Stacey Anthony rescues the ball from an imminent turnover.

A.J. Maxwell multitasks on the soccer field, keeping his oppponent at bay while zeroing in on his shot.

Freshman defender Martin Zaluk gets his head into the game to make this pass.





A junior at the midfielder position, Kenneth Robinson wrestles with a member from two William Carey players for control of the ball.



The 2003-2004 Men's Soccer Team: [front to back] Sven Simon, Ryan Huntley, Ryan Bevis, Gavin Long, Joseph Anthony, Michael Connelly, Thimo Langner, Kenneth Robinson, Martin Zaluk, A.J. Maxwell, John Booth, Amartei Amamoo, Karim Dietz, Jamie Holmes, Nick Barcelona, Douglas Eckhardt, Steve Redding, X, Andres Portabella, Martin DeVaney, Matt Barcelona, X, Ryan Keiser, Trevor Cobb. Head Coach is Preston Goldfarb. Graduate Assistant Josh Severns, manager Chris Gorusch, senior assistant coach Greg Vinson, and fitness coach Rui Menezes are also pictured.

B-SC team members celebrate after stopping UAB's last-minute attempt at a final goal.



GET YOUR HEAD IN THE GAME Men's Soccer



Goal keeper Gavin Long proves himself at his position, keeping the opposing team from scoring on the Panthers.

Striker and freshman Karim Dietz concentrates all his energy on the soccer ball.



#### I'll Remember...

"This season was a camplete turnaround from last season. We wan mare games this year than we had in the past twa seasons combined. The mast exciting game that we played was against UAB here at B-SC. They were ranked #3 in the nation and we beat them 2-1. This season was the mast fun I've ever had playing soccer."

-Gavin Long 0



A.J. Maxwell stands ready to assist while his teammate Martin Zaluk keeps a Winthrop opponent at bay.

The 2-1 victory over No. 3-ranked UAB was hands-down the crowning achievement of the Men's Soccer Team during their 2003-2004 season. Head Coach Preston Goldfarb called it "the biggest win in the history of Birmingham-Southern soccer." The Panthers finished the season with a 6-1-2 home record and an impressive 12-5-4 record overall. A 3-1 win over Liberty in November led the team to the Big South Conference Tournament championship. Several individual players received Big South honors over the course of the season and the team was recognized by the NCAA as one of the nation's most improved.

Freshman defender Sarah Schmidt executes an expert pass during a home game against Lipscomb.

Junior defender Megan Black searches down the field for an open player before passing.







The 2003-2004 Women's Soccer Team (front to bock) Ashley Welch, Natalie Dunham, Tara Kohler, Andria Gray, Sara Gillam, Allie Thrasher, Jennifer Grauel, Sarah Schmidt, Jess Smith, Claire Ray, Hannah Rulewicz, Brittany Stoltz, Jeris Burns, Rebecca Barnes, Paige Casey, Meredith Humber, Christy Dettmer, manager Kayla Calton, assistant coach Nikki Smith, head coach Keidane McAlpine, Anna Daniels-Mulholland, Whitney Curvin, Brittney Jones, Megan Black, Bevin O'Neill, Jordan Spencer, manager Josh Knight, strength and conditioning coach Scott Charland, and manager Emily Hendrick.

The goal keeper is the team's last line of defense. With a sharp eye and quick reflexes sophomore Andria Gray doesn't let anything get past her.



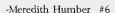
Highlights...

about paybacks!"

"Starting off the season beating Jacksonville State at home...Talk

-Megan Black #22

"The graduating seniors this year saw the transition from NAIA to NCAA, so I think that is pretty unique and special. This year, we got our first Big South Conference win ever, which was against Coastal Carolina. We beat them 2-0 in the first round of the Conference tournament. This win was huge, and we also made history!"







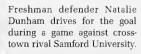




A midfielder and freshman, Christy Dettmer and her fancy footwork keep her JSU opponent from stealing the ball.

Sophomore forward Ashley Welch outperforms the competition to contribute to her team's victory.







The Women's Soccer Team stepped up their game this season. Head Coach Keidane McAlpine saw the girls take their disappointment from last year and pull through when it meant something. With a 6-11-2 record overall and a 5-4-1 home record, his players certainly played hard. Some big wins for the team included beating JSU and #2 ranked Coastal Carolina (as compared to B-SC's #7) with a final score of 2-0 in conference play. The team said goodbye to five top senior players this season: Rebecca Barnes, Paige Casey, Meredith Humber, Whitney Curvin and Hannah Rulewicz.

Senior and middle blocker Danielle Graff makes contact with the ball while teammates Rachel Malmborg and Kyndall Waters (#2) stand ready to assist.

The girls rally up to celebrate a game-winning point against UNCA.

Highlights...

"My favorite match was when we beat Liberty. They were the #1 team in our conference and we weren't expected to win and the team went out and played a fun game."

-Katie Baltensperger #4 (BSC v. Liberty match, 3-0)

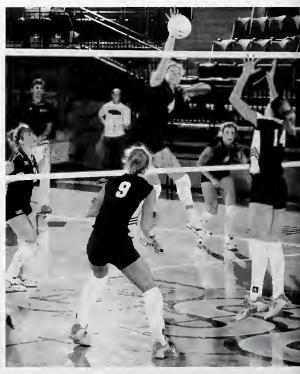






Sophomore Cassie Reed (#10) slams one past the block during a match against Winthrop.

Katie Baltensperger (#4) taps one over for the point against Troy State.



#### Senior Moment...

"Even though our top goal of winning conference wasn't fulfilled, we still had a great season and the team is at an awesome starting point for next year, with the core of the team returning. I am going to miss the entire team and the times that we've shared, both happy and sad. But the future of the program is headed in the right direction."

-Danielle Graff #11

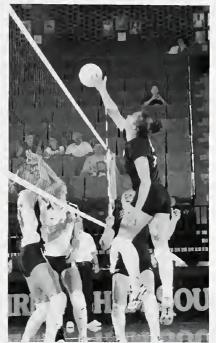
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Women's Volleyball





Junior Rachel Malmborg (#8) stretches out for the ball as teammates sophomore Jana Smelley (#3) and senior Danielle Graff (#11) move into posistion.



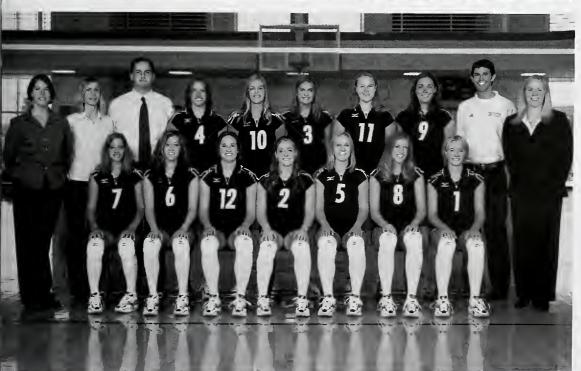
#### I'll remember...

"Playing in the Bill Battle Coliseum far the first time. We hosted the Big South Tournament there. It was a different atmosphere for us, but it really drove great energy out from both the team and the crowd."

-Rachel Malmborg #8



The 2003-2004 Women's Volleyball team: (bock to front) Katie Baltensperger, Cassie Reed, Jana Smelley, Danielle Graff, Andrea Krautmanis, Whitney Richards, Jenny Thomasson, Sarah Martin, Kyndall Waters, Lindsey Herzog, Rachel Malmborg, Linda Lager. Pictured along with their trainer, coaches and managers: Shannon Ashe, Pavlina Steffkova, Justin Dee. Derek Arnold, and Tonya Charland.



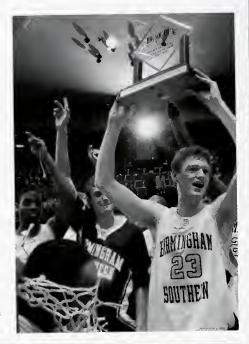
With an overall record of 14-16, The Birmingham-Southern women's volleyball team held their own during the 2003 season against some tough opponents. Winning a majority of their home games, there's obviously something to be said for old-fashioned home-court advantage. Danielle Graff, the team's lone senior, remembered this season as one of the best the team has had, with big wins against top-ranked Liberty and Mercer. For the first time, the team got the chance to compete for the conference title and play in front of cheering crowds in Bill Battle Coliseum.

Knowing what the crowd wants, Deque Carter gets over the top for a true slam dunk.

#### Senior Moment...

"The one thing that can sum up our season is that we all just had fun. Everyone, coaches included, had the same goal and because of that we won the conference championship. My most memorable moment was, of course, cutting down the nets after beating VMI."

-Grant Davis #23



Senior Grant Davis hoists the championship trophy high as his teammates celebrate behind him.



The team and coaching staff and the 'Southern Stars after the guys won their last game and the conference championship in front of a packed house at Bill Battle Coliseum.



# THE BALL'S NOR COURT Men's Basketball

Reflections...I think much of our success this year had to do with the fact that we consider ourselves to be more





As the UAB defense moves in, James Collins dribbles his way expertly to the basket.



Senior Derrick Williams keeps a firm grip on the ball as he takes his shot.





The 2003-2004 Men's Basketball Team [left to right]: Thomas Viglianco, Shema Mbyirukira, Grant Davis, Joshua Bailey, Rostislav Vergun, Derrick Williams, Andrius Montrimas, Srederick Powe, Helgi Margeirsson, Jakob Sigurdarson, Augustinas Vitas, DeQue Carter, Bucky McMillan, James Collins, Jimmy Amerson, Arnold Gore.

With 6 feet, 11 inches on his side, Shema Mbyirukira makes a slam dunk look like child's play.

The 2003-2004 season marked the B-SC Men's Basketball team's official entrance into NCAA Division 1 and the Big South Conference. Judging from their season, they deserved every recognition. Their 20-7 overall record certainly speaks for itself. Notable games included the season finale victory 67-55 against VMI, earning the team the Big South Conference regular season championship. Away games didn't faze the Panthers, either, as they won the majority of their on-the-road battles. Senior Grant Davis contributed consistently in number of rebounds as well as in high scoring. Along with Davis, Jakob Sigurdarson's effort put many points up on the board for the Panthers. Head Coach Duane Reboul gamered the title of Big South Coach of the Year.

than just teammates, we consider each other life-long friends." -Shema Mbyirukira

Junior Candace Byrd focuses intently on the goal and making her shot, ignoring all distractions.

Boxed in, Senior Lindsay Boyett holds on to the ball as she looks down court for an open teammate,







"For four years, it has been our goal to make a strong import in the Big South Conference. This year, fighting through injuries, we reached that gool. We had the opportunity to compete for the Big South Conference championship title. It's been a great joy and privilege to play for the Panthers, and I wish them continued success."

-Lindsay Boyett



The 2003-2004 Women's Basketball team [left to right, back to front]: Candace Byrd, Anna Morton, Jamel Grandberry, Brooke Gentsch, Ricka Spears, Martina, Knotkova, Lindsay Boyett, Pam Thornborrow, Muneca Oliver, Britni Ballard, Apri Walker, Stacey Anthony, Diana Isbell, and Amy Woods.

Senior forward Ricka Spears springs over her opponent and effortlessly flips the ball in for two.



HOOP DREAMS

Women's Basketball





Sophomore Stacey Anthony's determination solidifies under pressure. She will avoid a turnover at any cost.



Senior April Walker gets herself in the middle of the action and attempts to block a pass.

Freshman Muneca Oliver guards the ball from a defender as she heads for the



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Senior guard Amy Woods shows her grit and determination as she struggles to regain possession while teammates Muneca Oliver (34) and Stacey Anthony (13) move in to assist.

**B**irmingham-Southern's Women's Basketball team had an abundance of senior power this season. Contributing in every aspect of the game, Amy Woods, Ricka Spears, April Walker, Brooke Gentsch, and Lindsay Boyett personified teamwork on the court. Their younger and capable teammates will have big shoes to fill next year. The team's overall 13-17 record includes big wins in conference games against High Point and Winthrop, and wins on the road at the close of the season. Janine Hoffman fulfills the head coach position for the Lady Panthers with help from her assistant coaching staff of Kevin Tubbs, Keivette Hammond and former player Atia Agee.

#### Reflections...

"This season has been a wanderful experience, full af trials and accomplishments. We started out slow but came together and had a great year."

-Connor Robertson





Keeping his eye focused squarely on the ball, Connor Roberston gets under the fly as the runner tries to round first.



Sophomore Ronny Woods brings the heat from the mound to the next unsuspecting batter.

Junior Mac Godwin lines up perfectly for certified base hit.



# FOR LOVE OF THE GAME Baseball





Senior Ryan Griffith's powerful swing sends the baseball hurtling deep into the outfield, leaving the catcher's glove as empty as the day he bought it.



Senior Matt Bogue waits patiently and watches for the chance to steal second.





The 2003-2004 Men's Baseball Team [left to right, back to front]: David Horne, Bailey Pratt, Chris Catti, Paul Jones, Josh Britnell, Michael Repole, Scott Johnson, Connor Robertson, Adam Tucker, Assistant Coach Bob Keller, Trainer, Ryan Sciacca, John King, Jered Goodwin, Jared Walker, Brandon Hynick, Assistant Coach Brian Autry, Michael Dean, Head Coach Brian Shoop, Michael Wydner, Wes Letson, Zach Reardon, John Monk, Casey Bond, Christopher Brennan, Ronny Woods, Doug Cunningham, Jonathan Sanford, Ryan Griffith, Mac Godwin, Pat Mizerany, Blake Burton, Scott Billak, Matt Barber, Matt Bogue, Michael Cline, Steve White.

Senior heavy-hitter Michael Wydner gives the pitch a B-SC welcome.

It would seem Birmingham-Southern's pasttime is baseball, judging from the crowds at Scrushy-Striplin field on any given spring day. Securing their 13th straight win, the Panthers narrowly bested number 29-ranked Alabama with a 4-3 victory. Standouts on the team abound. Senior Connor Robertson secured the title of the college's all-time home run leader as the result of a 6-2 success over VMI. The 2003-2004's teams hardwork secured head coach Brian Shoop his 600th career win. Another first for the team included being named to the Collegiate Baseball Top 30 poll, initially at the 30th position and then quickly assuming the 29th slot within one week. All in all, the B-SC Baseball team is proving itself worthy of NCAA Division 1.

Reflections...

I don't think I have ever put so much time and effort into anything other than softball. I love the game, the people, and the fans. This year has been a struggle, but I think things are starting to turn around. Conference is around the corner and we are going to win it even though it is our first year to qualify. I think we have a wesome team unity and we have a chance to go all the way."

-Dawn Treadwell

Junior Dawn Treadwell follows through with forceful left-hand swing. Kristina Villavicencio aims for the strike zone, putting a lot of heat behind her pitch.







The 2003- 2004 Women's Softball Team [left to right, front to back]: Head Coach Tyra Perry, Lillie Bradfield, Jamie Ewing, Ami Rodgers, Erin Haggard, Assistant Coach Aly Sartini, Assistant Coach Kimball Pratt, Nova Gaines, Leslie Roberts, Lacey Barth, Kristina Villavicencio, Raquel Sanfiel, Nikki Rombough, Dawn Treadwell, Tifani Talbert, Katherine Katz, Kerri Owens, Alaina Shelton, Shannon Cantrell, Jennifer Wellborn, Kristen Fuhrmann.

Keeping her eye on the ball, Leslie Roberts lines up perfectly for a solid hit.







Teamwork is crucial in softball. Backed by two of her teammates, Jennifer Wellborn (#19) and Lacey Barth (#4), Lillie Bradfield hurls the ball to Kerri Owens (#12) to get the out.





Concentration and focus make the difference between a hit and a strike. Senior Shannon Cantrell readies herself for the pitch.

Hoping to strike this batter out, Sophomore Ami Rodgers sends in a beautiful pitch right over home plate. Highlights...

"Our team has been eager to compete in the conference tournament this season which is something that differs from last year. We have faced great competition in preparation for the post season and strive for one big goal. Our depth on the team is high and hopefully will be displayed in post season. I feel our softball team represents Birmingham Southern well on and off the field. We beat Samford twice in the Magic City Classic tournament, which was great to defeat a cross-town rival. Overall, the team has given so much dedication to the season!"

-Kristina Villavicencio

Close to breaking even with their home wins and losses record, the 2003-2004 B-SC softball team did shut out Charleston Southern 5-0 in their final home game of the season. With most of the team eturning for next year, the future of the B-SC Softball team looks promising. This year, the team loses just one senior, Shannon Cantrell. The enthusiasm the women have for their sport is evident in their commitment o early-morning practices and their willingness to give it their all in each and every game, even those exhausting double-headers. Alaina Shelton knocked out her second career homerun in a conference game at Liberty while Ami Rodgers pitched her first career no-hitter during an April game against Belmont.

With only a few feet left to run, Junior Christa Calvert kicks in and pushes across the line,

Senior and team leader, Lars Porter gets the job done even when the weather's not cooperating.







Looking every bit the picture of determination and drive, sophomore Julia Cummins focuses on her pace.

#### Reflections...

"I think that our women's team worked together better than ever this year. We are very close in talent level so we were able to push each other in races. There is nothing more motivating than a teammate catching up with you in a race, grabbing your arm, and saying 'Let's finish this'."

-Christa Calvert



The 2003-2004 Men's and Women's Cross Country Teams: [front row to back] Kristin Williamson, Julia Cummins, Anna Chandler, Natalie Bruce, Meg Guscette, Rachel Bramlett, Whitney Gray, Christa Calvert, Kealen O'Neill, Matt Harris, Jack Da Silva, Aalok Sharma, Ben Pendarvis, Fran Meehan, Kenneth Stutts, Cody Rickert, Jim Milner, Patrick McTamney, Lars Porter, Jacob Stidham, Coach Bragga.

(right) Sophomore Rachel Bramlett and senior Fran Meehan spur each other on for the finish line.

(far right) Freshman Aalok Sharma manuevers his way in front of his flagging opponent and takes the lead.





## THE EXTRA MILE

Cross Country runners have heart. They need that muscle when they've worn out all the others running grueling races in the South's unpredictable fall weather. At the Rhodes Invitational, both the men's and women's teams placed second. Individually, Lars Porter and Christa Calvert proved themselves to be consistent leaders for their respective teams. This season, many runners achieved personal best times as well.



Jenni Stracener scans the field for a teammate to pass to as Rachel Bramlett guards her like a hawk, leaving her little room to manuever with the frisbee.



Though they were in New Orleans for the Mardi Gras 2004 tournament, the Ultimate Frisbee team was able to push past the distractions and to focus on their game.





Juniors Stacey Taylor and Christa Calvert dominate on the intramural fields, proving that Ultimate Frisbee is an equalopportunity sport.

The Terminus tournament kept the guys in top form and working well together as a team.



H'S ALL IN THE WRIST

Itchfest 2003 was a chance for the guys to showcase their frisbee-handling skills.

The 2003-2004 school year was the first full year of existence for B-SC's Ultimate Frisbee team. Unlike racquetball or cricket, Ultimate Frisbee is played with a flying disc (for more information on flying discs, see a physics professor). The 2003 season began with a jaunt up to Nashville for a tournament called Itchfest, where the boys, much like at a debutante ball without dresses. announced their arrival into the world of college Ultimate. During the spring, the team represented B-SC at tournaments throughout the Southeast. The inaugural season proved challenging, but some early season highlights included wins over Purdue and Colorado State. The team also enjoyed hosting more laidback pick-up games on Friday afternoons at the intramural fields. All students, faculty, and staff are more than welcome to come out and play.

Senior Juan Orozco's form looks good as he swings the club, hoping for a hole in one.



Alex Krempa chips some of the green with this powerful swing.



The 2003-2004 Men's Golf Team: [left to right, front to back] John Quinn, Juan Orozco, Ben Coleman, Neil Self, Andrew Carr, Alex Green, Jeffrey Krogsgard, Alex Krempa, Assistant Coach Alex Lockett, Seth Bryan, Keith Rains, Stephen Fike, Christian Wright, Tommy Jensen, and Head Coach Tom Miller.

Jeffrey Krogsgard holds his follow through as he watches his shot sail through the air.



"This past season has been full of its ups and downs, and I believe it will be a good building block for next year."

-Jeffrey Krogsgard



Stephen Fike sends dirt flying as he makes his mark on the green with this shot.

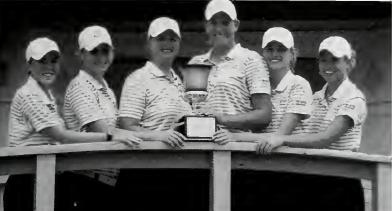


PANTHER PGA

The Men's Golf Team finished in the top three teams during the Samford Men's Intercollegiate tournament in February. With essentially two seasons, one in the fall and one in the spring, the golf team juggled busy schedules all year round. Next year looks bright though the guys lose the performance and leadership of seniors Stephen Fike and Juan Orozco.







The 2003-2004 Women's Golf Team: [left to right] Head Coach Michele Drinkard, Lauren Dodge, Karen Lausch, Sarah Hollowell, Becky Hammel, Assistant Coach Lea Green, Caitlin Ogren, Shelley McGraw, and Jill Stupiansky.

Junior Sarah Hollowell chips the ball off the tee.



Caitlin Ogren, Karen Lausch, Head Coach Michele Drinkard, Shelley McGraw, Sarah Hollowell, and Lauren Dodge pose with the winning trophy from the Nicholls State/Lady Colonel Collegiate Invitational.

Reflections...

success."

"This golf season has been incedible, with all that our team has accomplished. We have a new coach and have practiced our short game which I also believe has contributed primarily to our

-Sarah Hollowell





Sophomore Caitlin Ogren concentrates on lining up her next shot.

Senior Becky Hammel follows through with excellent

TEE TIME

Congratulations are certainly in order. For the first time, the B-SC Women's Golf team (100) was ranked in the top-100 golf programs in the nation during their spring competition. This season, the women captured several tournament titles with the help of team standouts Shelley McGraw and Lauren Dodge. The team finished second in the Samford Women's Intercollegiate.

Freshman Justin Malina reaches out to greet the tennis ball and send it careening back over the net to continue the volley.





In one of her final games with B-SC, senior Charlotte Ann Kelly concentrates on her form as she prepares to make this serve an ace.





The women's team await the announcement of their court number and opponent.

The 2003-2004 B-SC Men's and Women's Tennis Teams: [left to right, back to front | Men's Coach Paul Rosner, Eric Baumgardner, Adam Solasa, Richard Turner, Mauricio Engler, Ben Johnson, Women's Coach Ann Dielen, David Ray, Cammie Nix, Casey Ragsdale, Laura Kirk, Charlotte Ann Kelly, Maria Presley, Stephanie Boncher, Jennifer Williams, Daisy Humphrey, and Justin Malina.



## RIGHT DOWN THE LINE

Men's & Women's Tennis





Freshman powerhouse Stephanie Boucher makes exellent contact with the tennis ball, sending it hurtling back across the net for a sure game point.



Sophomore Casey Ragsdale anticipates her opponent's first serve.

Reflections...
We all work great together as
a team, we work hard, and we
have fun!"

-Casey Ragsdale





Tennis players can't afford to let one ball get past them. Junior Richard Turner demonstrates his determination to return his opponent's lofty serve.

Agile and quick on his feet, senior Ben Johnson moves with the ball as he readies to return the shot.

Rigorous practice and game schedules don't seem to daunt the B-SC tennis players. The Men's team had many wins this season, including a 7-0 against Lipscomb, also their seventh straight victory of the season. They ended the regular season with a win over Belmont and a 10-9 overall record. Freshman Mauricio Engler was named Big South Conference Freshman of the Year. The B-SC women started off their first Big South Conference Tournament with a 4-1 victory over Liberty and finished their regular season with a 12-5 overall record. Stephanie Boucher and Casey Ragsdale lead their team to two titles at the Samford Bulldog Open.

As if the fans needed another reason besides seeing some quality basketball action to come down to Bill Battle Colieseum, the 'Sonthern Stars' moves on the court would be it.

### Senior Moment...

"Being involved with the dance team wos the greatest experience I've had at BSC. Not only did I get to perform, which I love, and become involved with the athletics organization at the college, but I also developed the close relationships that I have with all of my best friends here. We realized we had much more in common that our passion to dance...it was a wonderful experience that I wouldn't trade for the world!"

-Angela Ritchey

When the guys vacate the court, the 'Sonthern Stars bring their own brand of drama to the floor with their high-energy choreography.







The 2003-2004 'Southern Stars Dance Team: [left to right, back to front]: Meghan Kilgore, Coach Kristen Wear, Hagen Stegall, Jessica Headley, Amanda Stout, Angela Ritchey, Gretchen Dentsch, Julie Batson, Kristi Doyle, Lauren Barre', Sammye Martin, Mary Kathryn Searcy.

Gretchen Deutsch, Mary Kathryn Searcy, and Julie Batson celebrate another stellar half-time performance.



Last year, the dance team won 1st place in the Home Routine Competition at the University of Alabama camp in Tuscaloosa from their division. The dance team also earned a Superior trophy and gold ribbon for the other dances that were taught that they performed and were judged on. The team was selected to perform at the televised NCIA Gymnastics Championship when it came to Birmingham last summer. The 'Southern Stars' moderator is Linda Thomas and their coach is Kristen Wear.







The 2003-2004 Women's Rifle team: [back to front] Sunday Vanderver, Dawn Stanfield, Ashley Powell, Sarah Hihhard, Dory Nash, Kristen Kurtts, Kate Peinhardt, and Janet Palmer. Pictured with the team are Head Coach Sam Gladden and Rifle Administrator Randy Youngblood.

Being one of the team's top shooters doesn't come easy. Junior Sarah Hibbard's time practicing is obviously well spent.









[middle] Three "generations" of the B-SC Rifle team senior Janet Palmer, junior Kristen Kurtts, and sophomore Dory Nash perfect their technique in practice.

The Rifle team could be aptly renamed the firing squad, judging from this photo.

Making that perfect shot requires intense concentration. Senior Sunday Vanderver focuses on her target.

### Reflections...

"...The ability of our coach, Mr. Sam Gladden, never fails to amaze me. He has taken five walkons, who have never touched a rifle, and taught them the techniques which enabled them to shoot scores high enough to be competitive. We have worked hard and I think next season will be a testament to our hard work."

-Dawn Stanfield

EAGLE EYES
Rifle Team

The B-SC Rifle Team's 2003-2004 season certainly took them places, all over the southeast as a matter of fact. In their first year of NCAA eligibility, the ladies won their sectional match and placed 3rd at Conference. Though the team lost seniors Janet Palmer and Sunday Vanderver this year, the two top shooters, Dawn Stanfield and Sarah Hibbard will be returning next year.





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Donations & Poker Chips

Alpha Chi Omega

the fog lifts to reveal rows of women in fish nets, flapper dresses, and coat tails ready to perform a much praticed routine for the high rollers of the evening. It is none other than Alpha Chi's new members performing at the annual Casino Night. Complete with cocktail waitresses providing cigarettes, poker chips, and beverages, Simpson is transformed each year into a 1920s casino. The poker tournament, a new addition this year, holds the attention of many while the live band and the craps tables take care of the rest. Each year, the Alpha Chi's work hard to raise money for their national philanthropy supporting victims of domestic violence and also their local philanthropy Jesse's Place, a women's shelter in Birmingham.

When they aren't entertaining for a good cause, the Alpha Omega chapter of Alpha Chi women know how to have a good time. They begin their year with their annual My Tie party with a mystery date theme. This is followed by the Red Carnation Ball, the Christmas party, and Spring Party. Often, there is also a Grab-A-Date party in which the girls are notified 48 hours in advance. Although they have fun, they are built on more than just parties.

Alpha Chi's are built upon lifetime opportunities for friendship, leadership, learning, and service and can be found in almost every organization on campus. If you spot a pair of koala bear ears, you've spotted an Alpha Chi and they are ready and willing to show you what their organization is all about. -Hillary Ballant

All that jazz...
New members
dressed as
flappers
entertain during
Casino, also
serving as
cocktail
waitresses and
poker chip
distributors
throughout the
evening.

Tip your hat... New members in fish nets, tails, and top hats caught the eye-and the money-of every boy there as they gambled their money to support Jesse's Place.







Home Sweet Home... Alpha Chi junior Yasmine Basseghi welcomes one of her new sisters on Girls Bid Day.









Wishing and hoping...
On Girls Bid Day, Alpha Chi's anxiously await while their new pledges run up the hill to greet them in the amphitheatre.

### Luck of the draw...

Alpha Chi sophomore Karla Baker helps run one of the tables at their annual philanthropy party Casino. All proceeds go to benefit victims of domestic violence.

## Rebirth & Sisterhood

Alpha Kappa Alpha

he Nu Delta chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha
Sorority, Incorporated was begun on Birmingham-Southern's campus in 1979. However,
after low chapter membership in the past, the Nu
Delta chapter is currently undergoing its official "regeneration process," as president Danielle Ridgeway likes to
put it. While only having one active undergraduate member
only two semesters ago, the Nu Delta chapter of Alpha Kappa
Alpha now has five active members: Danielle Ridgeway as
president, Sparkle Brown as vice president, Sammye Martin as
secretary, Bianca Wilder as treasurer, and Chryston Jones as the historian and public relations chairman. The Nu Delta chapter will continue
its growth during their future Member Intake Processes, including one
to take place in the fall coinciding with Panhellenic formal recruitment.

As a branch of the incorporated Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, most commonly referred to as AKA, the Nu Delta chapter takes part in philanthropic services within the community. Because of its affiliation as "one of the world's leading service organizations," AKA nationals instructs each of its chapters to cover five traditional "targets" in planning their philanthropic activities. These targets include education, health, the black family, economics, and arts. Each year, 'Southern's AKAs choose to be involved in various campus activities and events in order to reach their target goals. AKA is a growing sisterhood, but a strong sisterhood still. The women of the Nu Delta chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha continue to excel in all they do, helping AKA to thrive more with each passing year. -Hillary Ballant

What Taxes?...
AKA's Chryston
Jones and
president
Danielle
Ridgeway help
out the customers
of H&R Block on
Tax Freedom
Day.

Giving back...
AKA's Chryston
Jones, Bianca
Wilder, Sparkle
Brown, and
Danielle
Ridgeway
volunteer during
Tax Freedom
Day.





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Gning once...
AKA sophomore
Chryston Jones
handles the podium
as she takes hids
from the audience.

Come on down... AKA sophomore Sammye Martin encourages the boys for sale to walk up to come on stage to be bet on.





### Skeece Weeeee...

The rebuilding group of the Nu Delta chapter of AKA celebrate their return to Birmingham-Southern's campus. The NPHC sorority pledged new members this year and will continue to recruit in the fall.

Who says money can't buy happiness?...
Boys for sale, stand on stage and wait to for their bids during the AKA date auction. The money collected from the auction benefitted one of AKA's many local philauthropies.

# Hip Hop & Hilltop

Alpha Omicron Pi

I ip hop on the Hilltop? If you think that
Supporting Arthritis Research is boring, you
surely haven't seen the show. Each year, the Tau
Delta chapter of Alpha Omicron Pi puts together a
show not only to showcase the many talents of our
Greek students, but also to teach us a little more about
their philanthropy. This year's theme, "Hip Hop on the
Hilltop," allowed fraternity men and sorority women to show
off their dancing skills while also giving the few lucky chosen
men a chance to show off some sexy legs! With a male representative of choice representing each chapter, the skin is almost too much to
handle! There was a winner in this womanless beauty pageant, and this
year it was the Zeta Tau Alphas, and SGA's Bernard Mays walked away in
boxers with pride.

When they aren't entertaining, AOPis can be found in every niche of campus life. They have members in campus organizations ranging from SGA and Triangle Club to Concert Choir and Theatre. They take charge in intramurals, academics, and varsity athletics as well, but never forget to pencil a little fun into their busy schedules. In the fall, the chapter has its annual Riverboat Party and Mystic Party, followed by Rose Ball and Spring Party in the spring. In the winter, chapter members spread a little Christmas cheer by participating in the Jingle Bell Run for arthritis research. Also in the spring, the chapter will continue their philanthropic efforts with their annual Stick-up for Arthritis as well as participating in Relay for Life. AOPi's are in full force on Southem's campus and aren't afraid to have some fun and share some moments of sisterhood in the process. -Hillary Ballant

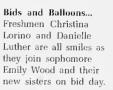
Working Hard for the Money... Sarah Cunningham, Jenni Stracener, and Kate Gower collect donations at the door of Mr. Hilltopper. The proceeds go towards a foundation supporting children with arthritis.

Down the River...
AOPi sophomores take a break from a night of dancing at their annual Riverboat Party. The party was held in Tuscaloosa this year instead of the usual Montgomery location.













Like Whoa... AOPi dancers perform to "My Body's Like Whoa" for entertainment during their annual Mr. Hilltopper.

AOPi Pride... Crowding the door after an Icebreakers Party during rush, the AOPis cheer to a group of rushees as they leave their house.





# Base Hits & Masquerades

Chi Omega

omen of Chi Omega base their sisterhood on six purposes: career and personal development, high standards of personnel, sincere learning and creditable scholarship, friendship, community service, and involvement in campus activities. Visible in all aspects of campus life, Chi Omegas continue to excell in sisterhood as well. Sisterhood activities include an 80s themed bowling night, a scavenger hunt, an executive officer beach trip, camping trips, and more. Chi Omega sisters are also found supporting all other greek organizations through donations and participation.

While their support for other groups is evident, their support of their own sorority's philanthropy brings competitive greeks to the baseball field for games of double elimination wuffle ball between rivaling groups. The smell of barbecue as well as the smell of competition entice all greeks on campus to support their philanthropy of the Make a Wish Foundation. Locally, Chi Omegas spend time tutoring at Woodrow Wilson or volunteering at First Light Women's shelter. Don't be fooled though. Chi Omegas always leave a little time for fun. Themed mixers with fraternities on campus fill Thursday nights in the fall, including themes such as Flash Dance, Western Shootout, and Bourbon Street. Parties include their Owloween Fall Party with a masquerade theme, their formal in the winter, and their Spring Party in May. A "Grab a Date" party was also held, in which Chi Os had 24 hours to find a date. Chi Omegas somehow continue to find a way to balance work, participation, and fun in a way that allows them to grow while still holding strong bonds of sisterhood. ~Hillary Ballant

Welcome Home... Susan Petty and sisters cheer on their newest members with welcoming arms as they run up the hill on Girls Bid Day September 9th.

Pound 'em... Chi Omegas support the volleyball team in their conference match against across town rival Samford University.









Panther pride... Chi Omega sisters show their school spirit at the volleyball team's match against Samford.

That's All Folks... freshmen Chi O's LauraMolony, Emmaline Walters, and Mallie Searcy show their support for Sigma Chi's philanthropy in a skit.





### Didn't You Know You'd Go Chi O?...

Chi Omega sisters wait anxiously in their house to welcome their new members on bid day. Bid Day is an exciting time for both rushees and active sorority members.

### Trick or Treat...

Chi Omega's take over the dance floor at their costume themed "Owloween" fall party. Creative costume ideas ranged from Thing 1 and Thing 2 to Paul Bunyan and "Babe" the Blue Ox.

Education & Involvement

Delta Sigma Theta

Delta Sigma Theta was founded in 1913 at Howard University by twenty-two women who wanted to assist those in need and promote academic excellence, support the underserved, encourage participation in public policy, and highlight and solve community problems. Their first act as a sorority was to participate in the Women's Suffrage March in Washington D.C.

The main premise of Delta Sigma Theta is to give help and support through local programs in communities internationally with their Five Points of Thrust: economic development, educational development, international awareness and involvement, physical and mental health, and political awareness and involvement.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. has always been dedicated to sisterhood, scholarship, and above all, service. The Xi Upsilon Chapter is no exception, with members actively involved and holding leadership positions with the Office of Multicultural Affairs, Residence Life, Students Offering Support, and a number of service-learning projects.

Having just returned to the Hilltop after 20 years this Spring, Xi Upsilon Chapter is eager to show BSC just what DST is all about.

Sorority Vice
President, Nikki
George
celebrates her
initiation with
Soror Marian
who works at
the college.

Xi Upsilon and Sigma Eta Sisters at the 1st Southern Region Mock Convention held in Atlanta, Georgia.







Sisters from various local chapters of Delta Sigma Theta take part in one of Xi Upsilon's introductory activities, a step show in front of Norton,





Sorority President, Markietta Nora celebrates her initiation with sisters from the Jefferson County Alumnae Chapter.

# Shamrocks & Strikes

Kappa Delta

he Alpha Upsilon chapter of Kappa Delta was founded April 8, 1930. Their open motto, "Let us strive for that which is honorable, beautiful, and highest," exemplifies the ideals that they seek both individually and as an organization. They are committed to their involvement in campus activities, philanthropic work, and scholarship.

Kappa Deltas are involved in almost every organization on campus from Triangle Club and Intervarsity Christian Fellowship to Quest II and Student Government Association. They have active members on the women's tennis team, in concert choir, and serving as peer advisors. Kappa Deltas compete in intramural football, soccer, basketball, volleyball, softball, and water polo. KDs also find time to support the Panhellenic system in Greek Week as well as by supporting the philanthropies of other greek organizations on campus.

Kappa Delta women focus on philanthropic service as well. In the spring they hold their annual Shamrock event. This year, they held their second annual Bowling Tournament in which many student organizations participated, including all other sororities and fraternities. The money raised was donated to Prevent Child Abuse America and to the local Exchange Club Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse in Birmingham.

Kappa Delta's national philanthropy is The Girl Scouts of America and each year they spend afternoons working with a local girl scout troop. The Kappa Deltas at 'Southern never cease to remain involved in all campus activities while keeping a unified sisterhood.

- Hillary Ballant

Feeling Lucky?... KD's work the score sheets and cheer on the participants while they bowl for a cure at the annual tournament.

Strike!...
KD freshmen
Phyllis Daniel,
Elaine Duffee,
and sister help
out during their
annual Shamrock Bowling
Tournament.









Kappa Deltas team up with Sigma Chis during Greek their spot Week's Greek Games to decide on their plan of attack.

Bid Day KD's Jenny Bor denir spot amphithe their new Bid Day.

Bid Day Awaits... KD's Jennie Baraba and Jenny Bowers hurry to their spot in the amphitheatre to welcome their newest members on Bid Day.





Pretty in Pink... KD's newest members Abby Salem and Elaine Duffee adorn their pink bid day shirts with pride.

Punting Pickles?...

Kappa Delta's Tracey Allen watches her pickle soar during the Pickle Punt of Greek Week's Greek Games.

# Mason Jars & Story Time

Pi Beta Phi

Mason jars line the table and the clanking sounds of pennies hitting glass echoes in the Atrium. Students and staff alike support organizations with donations of pennies and give a soft blow to other organizations with silver change and dollar bills. It is officially Pi Phi Penny Wars week at Birmingham-Southern. After a week of war, Pi Phi ends their philanthropy with a band party at which they announce the winners. Quickly becoming tradition, Pi Phi's philanthropy week supports their national philanthropy of Arrowmont School in Gatlinburg, Tennessee as well as Links to Literacy. Aside from their national philanthropies, the Alabama Alpha chapter of Pi Beta Phi primarily focuses on promoting literacy locally, serving as weekly tutors at Brighton Elementary and celebrating Dr. Seuss's birthday by reading with the students of Avondale Elementary. Pi Phis also volunteer their time and energy by serving in the soup kitchens of First Light Women's Shelter, Urban Ministries, and the Jimmy Hale Mission. Pi Phis are found in all aspects of campus life, actively supporting other greek organizations, as well as participating in leadership roles in many non greek organizations. Although Pi Phis are active on campus, they are always able to find time for fun. Their annual parties include Ragin' Cajun, Fall Party, Beaux and Arrow formal, and Pi Phi-esta Spring Party. Pi Phis also enjoy fraternity mixers with themes like Overboard, St. Patty's Day, and Halloween. At the end of the day, the most important aspect of Pi Phi is their sisterhood which is evident on campus. Sisterhood retreats to a sister's farm house as well as the beach only strengthen the bonds that are already there. -Hillary Ballant

Pre-party fun... Elizabeth Frye, Lauren Mallory, Kristina Zuschlag, Libby Yost, and Hillary Ballant get ready for their annual Beaux and Arrow Ball. The winter formal is held every February.

Open hearts...
Pi Phis open
their house to
potential new
members on
freshmem move
in day. Open
house gave Pi
Phis a chance to
share their
sisterhood.











### All for Beads... Pi Phis sport their Mardi Gras beads and dance to cajun music at their annual Ragin' Cajun date party in the fall.

Overboard... Junior Amher Rhodes and sophomore Elizaheth Frye get ready for the pirate themed "Overboard" mixer with Sigma Nu.





Minutes to spare... Tessa Allen, Hillary Ballant, and Elizabeth Frye finish some last minute touches before their Ice Breakers. The first night of recruitment is always full of anxious excitement.

Breaking from routine... Freshmen Nikki Ryberg and Kelly Knapp take a weekend break from a hard week of studying to spend some time on fraternity row.

Sand Castles & Spikes

Zeta Tau Alpha

he heat is rising, the hot dogs are ready, and greek students willingly dive into a mouthful of sand. It's Zeta Tau Aloha time on the dorm quad and beach volleyball is the perfect way to kick off the onset of spring fever. Each greek organization forms a team of their best players to fight for the winning title of Zeta Tau Aloha's philanthropy fundraiser. All proceeds from Zeta Tau Aloha go to benefit breast cancer awareness.

Also, throughout the year, Zeta's collected pink yogurt tops in their "Drop Your Tops" campaign for breast cancer research and passed out pink ribbons for students to wear during Breast Cancer Awareness month. Aside from their national philanthropy, Zeta sisters also took time to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity, spending saturdays building a house together.

Whether it is at one of their annual parties such as Fall Party or Spring Formal, fraternity mixers with themes such as Water Wars, Twister, and Margaritaville, or simply a night of fun with themed chapter, Zeta Tau Alpha sisters know how to have a good time.

Zeta Tau Alphas always support other campus organizations, both greek and non-greek and are active in numerous campus organizations including Diamond Girls, Hilltop News, and Alpha Phi Omega. The sisterhood found in Zeta Tau Alpha continues to grow whether it is through sharing secrets at sisterhood retreat, having a movie night at the house, painting a house on a Saturday, or dancing the night away at a date party. -Hillary Ballant

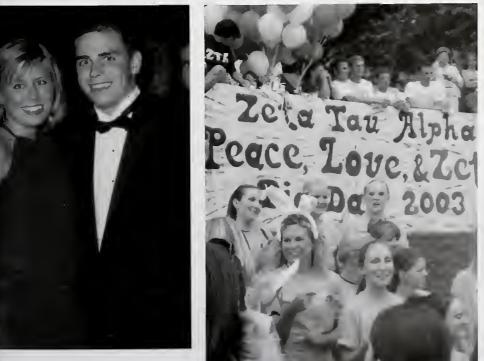
Hip Hop...
ZTA pledges and their winning representative Bernard Mayes take the stage during AOPi's Mr. Hilltopper competition.

Rented tux...
Sophomores Liz
Harris and Kara
Smith enjoy a
night of dancing
with their dates
at Zeta Tau
Alpha's annual
formal.









### Celebrate...

ZTA sisters take a break from their dates and celebrate sisterhood at their spring formal.

### Tug of war...

Kaley Cooper and sisters take the rope for the tug of war competition of the Greek Games during Greek Week.





### Gambling it all...

ZTA sisters spend time enjoying the entertainment while also supporting Alpha Chi's philanthropy at Alpha Chi's Casino Night.

### All ears...

Donning bunny ears, freshmen Amanda Usery and Rachel Gulyas join their new ZTA sisters on Girls Bid Day.

Bulldozers & Construction

New Fraternity Row

the years of memories, late night deck
parties, and walks of shame that inhabited old
fraternity row. "Burning Ring of Fire" can no longer be
heard from Cullen Daniel's windows on morning clean
ups and the stumble back to the dorms is now more of an
awkward journey, most often requiring the help of our
friends at extension 4700. Although the nostalgia still remains
in the ruins and dirt mounds left on the old row, new memories have begun to emerge on the front porches of the new
million dollar houses and the spacious grassy quad perfect for games of
frisbee and football on lazy Saturday afternoons.

Beautiful columned houses replace those nearly condemned with holes in the walls and signatures on the decks and the party rooms of each new house serve as the perfect place to wander on a Thursday night.

The new row takes some adjusting, lacking a hill for Bid Day and the much loved decks; however, the plush new houses inhabiting nearly every fraternity man on campus, make the transition somewhat easier. Now, the music can be heard while going to work out at Striplin and, with the new quad, there is always an excuse to waste the day away with childhood games. Morning clean ups are still routine and "Burning Ring of Fire" still plays, but now, the girls of Cullen Daniel can sleep until noon without being disturbed. -Hillary Ballant

Bye Bye Deck... The old Sigma Chi house crumbles as bulldozers clear the site for a new Methodist Center.

Front lawn fun... Students enjoy Men's Bid Day on the new fraternity quad and front lawns of the new houses.









### Porch over deck... The front porch of the Sigma Nu house serves to replace the parties and memories of the wooden decks of the old

house.

### Work in progress... The Sigma Nu house in November of 2003 was a work in progress. The fraternity row reached completion in January 2004 with the finshing of the Sigma Chi house.





### Columns versus condemned... The New Theta Chi fraternity house towers with its brick columns and spacious front porch,

a nice change from the old house.

Alpha Tau Omega rejoices... The new fraternity house of Alpha Tau Omega overshadows the rest as the largest house on the new fraternity row.

# Vikings Brothers

Alpha Tau Omega

of the party room, and fraternity men in war paint and faux fur run to meet their dates for the evening. The festivities can not begin, of course, until after the chants and cheers are exchanged between the cave men and the girls dressed in the furry uniform of the evening. This scene can only mean one thing: it's the Viking party at Alpha Tau Omega. This party has been a tradition on 'Southern's campus for years, with the Beta Beta chapter of ATO being one of the oldest fraternities on campus. Alpha Tau Omegas across the nation have adopted this annual party as their own.

Aside from the much anticipated night of dancing in fur, Alpha Tau Omega also enjoys many other social events, including their Pledge Dance in the fall and their Luau Party and Stairwell to Brothers formal in the spring. ATOs also fill Thursday nights on campus with sorority mixers including themes such as St. Patty's Day, Toga, and Halloween.

ATOs spare party time to help out with philanthropic organizations in Birmingham. Brothers of Alpha Tau Omega are found tutoring children at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School as well as volunteering their time in the soup kitchens of homeless shelters.

Aside from parties and volunteer work, ATO's are also involved in intramurals and give both participation and donations to the philanthropies of other greek organizations on campus. Through their service work and campus involvement, ATOs still find time to strengthen the bonds of their unique brotherhood. -Hillary Ballant

Fur Season...
Heather Adams,
Lauren Mallory,
Hillary Ballant, and
Elizabeth Frye
dress to kill during
fur night of the
ATO Viking party.

A Night Out...
ATO sophomores
Will Butler and
Patrick Cashio
enjoy time
before formal
with their dates
sophomore
Elizabeth Frye
and freshman
Catherine
Dooley.









Senior Send- off... ATO alumni Jansen Voss takes his turn at the mic as seniors share their college memories with their brothers at formal.

Friendship... ATO's Adam Christup and Chris Biggs spend time hanging out with freshmen Ki Shin and Jessica Vaughn.





Wearing Green?... Sophomores Elizabeth Frye and Will Butler make a toast during the ATO mixer with Pi Beta Phi on Saint Patrick's Day.

To the good times... Senior ATO Adam McGinnis takes part in the annual senior spotlight during spring formal.



Looney Tunes

Derby Hats

Sigma Chi

igma Chi's year has been marked by the completion of their house, the last house finished on the new fraternity row. This minor set back only allowed the chapter to grow more in their brotherhood, hosting a "High School Party" on a brother's land as well as continuing mixers in Simpson. With Party of the Gods, Sigma Chi said goodbye to Simpson and welcomed the campus to their newly finished and very much appreciated house.

Over the past eleven years, the Chi Chi chapter of Sigma Chi has flourished on 'Southern's campus. They have received numerous awards from both Sigma Chi nationals and Birmingham-Southern College, including five Peterson Outstanding Chapter Awards and the Most Improved Chapter Award. Chi Chi also had the 7th best GPA among all Sigma Chi Chapters in the Nation.

At 'Southern, the Chi Chi chapter has won many outstanding GPA awards as well as being the only greek organization to win the Most Outstanding Organization award. This year, Sigma Chi also won the most spirited fraternity award for their participation during Homecoming and their brothers make up the majority of the SGA. The most outstanding aspect of Sigma Chi is their Derby Days philanthropy week. Over the years, Derby Darling has become a coveted title among sorority women, encouraging themed competitions eventually leading up to skit night at Children's Hospital. Though their community service and campus involvement seem at their highest, the goal of the Chi Chi chapter of Sigma Chi is to grow even more and mature as high minded men. -Hillary Ballant

Party like gods... Sigma Chi brothers set up for their annual "Party of the Gods" and the first party ever in the new house. Pledges stuck to tradition by wearing their sheets, as togas of course.

1,2,3, Pull!... Sophomore Chase Wise helps out his team of brothers and KDs during the tug of war competition of Greek Games.









Chubby cheeks... A Sigma Chi freshman races to eat as many wings as possible during the Greek Games wing eating contest.







Boys in sheets...

Freshmen pledges Jared Beam and Chippy Foster show their Sigma Chi pride by wearing togas to their annual Party of the Gods.

### Soccer savvy...

Sigma Chi brothers sit on the hillside and cheer the BSC Soccer team to victory. During soccer season. Sigma Chis were often found here in full support of the team.

# Service Honor

Sigma Nu

of love, truth, and honor. This is evident in the Lambda Theta chapter's campus involvement as well as their academic excellence and their support of other greek organizations on campus. Following Men's Bid Day in the fall, Sigma Nu hosts many social events including their annual Undertaker's Cotillion date party, the annual One Knight Stand date party, and their White Rose Formal in the spring. Shotgun Wedding, a new party, saw the brotherhood and pledges going to Brother Boone's farm and participating in a "wedding" for Brother Rich Williams and sweetheart Rebecca Perry.

Sigma Nu's actively participate in the philanthropies of every other greek organization on campus, as well as volunteering their time and effort to their own philanthropy. Paladia, Sigma Nu's annual philanthropy week, involves a clothing drive, clothing sale, and donations benefitting the year's target organization. Paladia week ends with a band party at the Sigma Nu house from which the money from sorority and fraternity block tickets goes to benefit their philanthropy as well. The chapter also participates in the Big Brothers program in the Birmingham area, volunteering their time and energy to become mentors to local children.

Overall, Sigma Nu's brotherhood is forever changing and forever growing through their numerous activities and involvement. Through it all, the unique bonds of friendship formed are the foundation of the fraternity and the reason for its continuing success on Birmingham-Southem's campus. -Hillary Ballant

Rented tuxes... Sigma Nu brothers dance the night away at their annual White Rose Formal in the spring.

New boys...
The Sigma Nu freshmen pledge class relaxes from the night of partying at their annual Undertaker's date party.









Lead the pack... Senior Hammond Cobb leads his team of Sigma Nus and Alpha Chis in the Greek Games tug of war.

Cheers... Judson Crump and Preston Forshee celebrate the arrival of their new pledges on Men's Bid Day.





### When brotherhood grows...

Sigma Nn's stand on the lawn in front of their house on Men's Bid Day and welcome the parties to come throughout the night for their 2003 pledge class.

### Dressed for success...

Sigma Nu brothers take a break on their front lawn from the Men's Bid Day excitement.

# Volunteers & Beach Bums

Theta Chi

heta Chi brothers pride themselves on successfully balancing 🚣 scholastic acheivement, campus involvement, and social activities while still maintaining a unique brotherhood. With the majority of the fraternity living in the new house, brotherhood took on new meaning and socializing became difficult to avoid on any given night. Theta Chi's host numerous social events during the year, beginning with their summer rush party in July. The Theta Chi Pledge Dance kicks off the year after Bid Day, followed by the Halloween themed Oktoberfest. Their Stampede Weekend consists of a date band party the first night and a crawfish boil and bands the following day and into the next evening. Beach formal in the spring is the final fling of the semester where they name their new sweet heart and spend a weekend of beach fun with their dates, renting out a bar with a band for the final night.

Theta Chi parties for a cause during Theroposa, their annual philanthropy party. Theroposa features a band and all meal card donations go to buy food for the Firehouse Men's Shelter in Birmingham.

Whether partying for a cause or just to have a little fun, Theta Chi brothers always find time for one another. Spring Break is a time for brothers to spend relaxing on the beach while Easter becomes reason for an egg hunt around the house and an appearance by the Easter Bunny and the Easter Chick.

Theta Chi fosters a brotherhood of learning, working, socializing, and now living with a group a true friends. -Hillary Ballant

Stampede train... Sophomore brothers Peter Hurt and David Yokum dance with their dates Marianne Jones and Jennifer Grauel at their annual Stampede date party.

Sea and Sun...
Theta Chi's and friends spend time on brother Chris Daniel's family yacht.
Spring break brought a whole new meaning to Theta Chi brotherhood.







A serenade...
Theta Chi brothers
give the band a break
as they take the stage
during Stampede.

When I grow up... Freshman Alex Green practices his air guitar skills with sophomore Madison Underwood during Stampede.





Let the games begin...
Theta Chi brothers prepare for Greek Week's
Greek Games where they were teamed with Chi
Omega.

### Shaving in style...

Freshman Alex Green and senior Judson Chason show off their newly manicured facial hair during Theta Chi's Stampede weekend. Shaving Cream & Sunrise

Bid Day on the Hilltop

ears fly by and new fraternity houses are built. The old row with its memories of late night parties and convenient romances is demolished and the student body is still able to find something to cling to. Through it all, one tradition remains untouched: Bid Day on the Hilltop.

It is true that women's and men's bid days have their vast differences, but in the midst of it all is a single emotion: unity. Whether you are a freshmen girl running up the hill from Simpson to the amphitheatre to finally join your sisters; or you are a freshmen guy running down the new fraternity row to meet your brothers on your new front lawn, there is a sense of belonging, a sense of fellowship, and a sense of permanence that bid day will continue to evoke years after we have all entered the dreaded "real world."

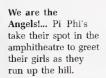
But since the so called "real world" is so far away, we celebrate our naivety and our "innocence" if you will in a typical college fashion. This of course, if you are concerning women's bid day, refers to presents, cheers, laughter, and sometimes tears as a long and stressful week comes to its final close. If you are referring to our men's bid day, however, it is a slightly different approach, invloving shaving cream, swimming pools, hoses, and the occasional beverage of choice. It is on this day that we pride ourselves in wearing the clothes we will dispose of, beginning the celebration before sunrise and waiting to see the sunrise of the next day. It is by this most amazing sight of the day's first rays of light that fraternity pledges meet their first perk of brotherhood and their most priceless memory of bid day: morning cleanup. -Hillary Ballant

Run for Cover... Sophomore Patrick Cashio and Freshman Catherine Dooley make a quick escape from the tough security on duty on Men's Bid Day.

A New Hill... Replacing the traditional "run down the hill," Sigma Nu's grace the new row with a new tradition of running down the street after the issue of bids.



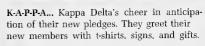




Bids in Hand... Freshmen Elaine Duffey and Julie Duepree run up the hill to join their new sisters.







Lather Up!... Sigma Nu's Michael Callaway and Rich Williams get a little out of hand with the shaving cream on Men's Bid Day.





Recruitment & Unity

IFC/Panhellenic

anhellenic is an organization of all Greek
women. Each of Birmingham-Southern's
seven sororities are members of our Panhellenic,
including Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Kappa Alpha,
Alpha Omicron Pi, Chi Omega, Kappa Delta, Pi Beta Phi,
and Zeta Tau Alpha. The Birmingham-Southern
Panhellenic Council is composed of one representative
from each sorority and serves as a governing body to
promote inter-sorority cooperation and adherence to National
Conference policies.

Under the advising of Dudley Long and Elizabeth Graffeo, the BSC Council coordinates the Formal Rush process in the fall as well as other campus wide activities throughout the year. Halloween on the Hilltop is the phlanthropic event organized by the Panhellenic Council as well as the Interfraternity Council. It serves as a safe alternative to trick or treating for local school children. Panhellenic and IFC also organize Greek Week, a week of competition between sororities and fraternities on campus, including the much anticipated Greek Games.

The Panhellenic Council was recently awarded the Overall Excellence Award by the National Panhellenic Council for the best governing body among all other colleges having six to ten national sororities on their campus. The panhellenic delegates from each chapter travelled with Dudley Long and Elizabeth Graffeo to Palm Springs, California to accept the award. The Panhellenic Council strives to promote fairness and unity among sororities. ~Hillary Ballant

Tisket tasket...
The Rho Chi
baskets during
formal recruitment have been a
Panhellenic idea
for the past few
years, giving
rushees a place
to keep things
they need in
between parties.

5 minutes... Rho Chi Nirmi Majmudar helps her Rho Chi group get ready for their next party in the amphitheatre.















The best of the best... The formal Panhellenic Council travels to the Rancho Las Palmas Hotel in Palm Springs, California to accept the Overall Excellence Award.

Looking professional... Rho Chi Sara Coleman keeps her sorority affiliation a secret while serving Panhellenic during formal recruitment in the fall. Pickle Punts & Tosses

Greek Week

🜓 hicken bones and barbecue sauce litter the ground, the aroma of battered pickles and smashed eggs fills the air, hands ache with rope burn, and a few bumps and bruises have been acquired by falling and sliding across the fraternity row quad. Greek Games are over and have left their mark on the greek community. As Greek Week comes to a close, Greek Games finish off the tight competition between teams of paired fraternities and sororities. Aside from Greek Games, the week's competition includes a jersey day, a greek t-shirt day, Greek Week shirt purchases, meal card donations and a final night of Dreamland barbecue and a band party on the fraternity quad. Sigma Nu and Alpha Chi Omega took the winning titile this year, but at the end of the week, the winner isn't as important as the bonds of the greek community and their presence in campus life. Greek Week gives the greek students of 'Southern a chance to show the rest of the student body their excitement and support for the school and for all student activities.

With nearly 84% of the campus being greek, Greek Week is an event of much anticipation and excitement and is unavoidable byanyone stepping foot on campus. It is important to the greek community that their significance on campus be known and positively viewed. Greek Week is simply a way gor greeks to let loose and show the campus what they are really all about: friendship and support. -Hillary Ballant

Almost there... Brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon work hard to win the tug of war battle of Greek Games.

Game faces...
The sisters of
Alpha Chi
Omega join with
the brothers of
Sigma Nu in the
Greek Games
competition of
Greek Week.





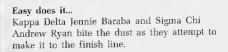


Hungry?...
Paired with Chi Omega,
Theta Chi sophomore
Kevin Hancock finds his appetite as he competes in the wing eating contest.









#### It's all in the form... Paired with Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Tau Omega's Patrick Cashio competes in the pickle punting competition.





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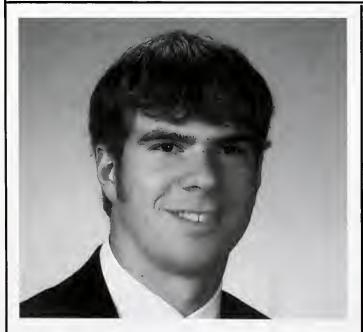


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Mom, Dad, and Nicole







Congratulations Matt!

We are so proud of you!

Love Dad, Mom, and Chris



CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD LUCK ANNE!

WE ARE PROUD OF YOU.

LOVE MOM, DAD, AMANDA, AND ALLISON PROVERBS 3: 5-6



We have always been so very proud of you - we are now especially proud of your accomplishments at BSC. Our wish is that you will continue to trust in God and that all your dreams come true.

Love Mom and Dad









#### Kimberly Paige Janney Casey







'God has showed you, O Man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

Micah 6:8

"No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him." 1 Corinthians 2:9

"One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house if the Lord and to seek him in his temple." Psalm 27:4

These verses we pray for you Paige. We are so proud of your accomplishments: Congratulations:

With much love,
Mom & Dad, Maddox & Madison, Taylor, and Beth & George







#### Congratulations Bernard!

We're proud of you! Let love and faithfullness never leave you; bind them around your neck, and write them on the tablet of your heart. Then you will win favor and a good name in

the sight of God and man. Proverbs 3:4

Love Mom and Dad









God bless you, Aynsley.

May He continue to direct your path.

Love Mom and Dad

#### **Congratulations Juan Fernando!**

Special thanks to Billy, Nancy, and Coach Miller

Love Daddy, Mom, Luis, and Isa



Congratulations to a special son. I'm so proud of you, Dan! Love Mom



#### CONGRATULATIONS MEREDITH!

WE ARE SO VERY PROUD OF YOU AND THANKFUL FOR YOU.
YOU ARE A BLESSING! JOSHUA 1:8,9
WE LOVE YOU!
MOM, DAD, MATTHEW, MICHAEL, AND MELISSA



## Congratulations Lyndsey!

We love you! Mom, Dad, and Brandy







"You are the light of the World."
Matthew 5:14









CONGRATULATIONS LINDSAY! WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU!

Mom, Dad, Megan, Deanna, and Wesley



#### "Hope you had the time of your life." Congratulations Elizabeth! We're proud of you. Love Mom and Dad







#### Christine,

May you always remember from where you came May you always remember who you are May you always know where you are going May you always know happiness May you always have the sun shine on your path May you always have the wind at your back May you always remember the ones who were there for you

Always Mom and Dad, Granny and Gramps, and Da and Grandmother

### Congratulations Mikel! 2004









#### Dear Biggie,

Too quickly our beautiful little girl became a beautiful young woman. You make us proud each and every day, not only with all that you have accomplished, but beacuse you are such a kind and compassionate person. A new adventure awaits in law school, and we know that your future will hold exciting and wonderful things. We love you always.





Daddy, Mommy, and Megan

Now the rehearsal is over. God bless you as you step into the performance of your life.



Love Dad, Mom, and Brannen



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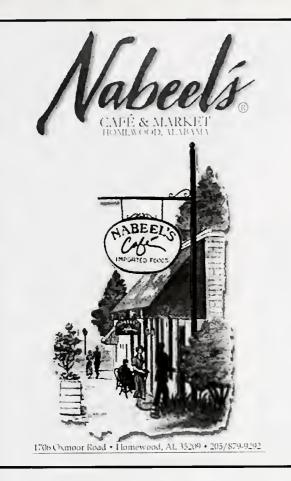
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This year BSC was unfortunate enough to lose two of our faculty and one of our students. This page is respectfully dedicated in memory of those individuals.



# Awards Day 2004



Daniel Droukas and a friend take part in the Awards Day Festivities.



The BSC jazz band plays during the school-wide picnic. It is a tradition to enjoy the musical stylings of the band during an outdoor lunch.



Stacy Taylor and Jacob Stidham enjoy lunch on the grounds.

Awards Day is a unique day designed to recognize all the awards that are received by BSC students. These awards include things like new editors of publications, SGA members, Quest II coordinators, and Triangle Club. Parents and friends are invited to come, and a huge school-wide picnic takes place on the academic quad with music from our own band. As an added bonus, most classes are shortened for the day.

"[Dr. Berte] has a remarkable ability to remember a person's name after his first intorduction and make each chance encounter thereafter feel like a visit between old friends." - Thelisia Boykin

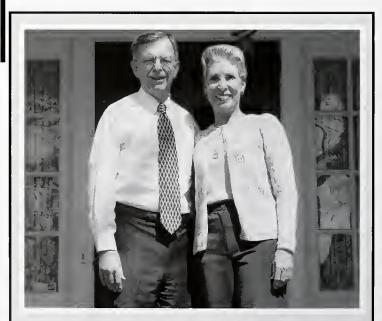
ot only is this book a chronicle of the year featuring student activities and events, it is the last book to feature Dr. Neal Berte as president. The fall announcement that Dr. Berte is retiring sent shockwaves through the entire campus and community. The Hilltop without Dr. Berte? The man that knows every student by name and can be found at nearly every activity and event. Can there be such a thing?

We were quickly to learn that there can be and there will be. After an extensive nationwide The Ending of an search for someone who can only hope to fill Dr.

Rette's shoes Dr. David Pollick was discovered. Berte's shoes, Dr. David Pollick was discovered. He will take over in the fall. Though it is hard to Eva He will take over in the fall. Though it is had imagine BSC without Dr. Berte as president, especially for those of us who are seniors and leaving with him, a new and different tradition

does not mean a worse one. While Dr. and Mrs. Berte can never be replaced, we have found an extremely competent and promising new president and first lady. We are blessed to have had Dr. Berte this long and blessed that such a man as Dr. Pollick is taking over his duties.

"I do not ever recall seeing Dr. Berte without a smile on his face. He always has a smile for everyone, no matter when or where he is seen. I believe that every time I think of Dr. Berte he will be wearing a huge grin." -Erica Sisk



Dr. and Mrs. Berte proudly except the honor of having the newly reinovated Humanities Center named after them. This year marked the finish of the transformation of the Phillips Scienc Building to the Neal and Anne Berte Humanities Center.







Dr. and Mrs. Berte stand among the throngs of students who attended the SGA retirement dinner given in honor of Dr. Berte. Photo taken by Charles Horn.



A familiar scene, Dr. Berte addresses an audience in the Bruno Great Hall.



 $\mbox{Dr.}$  and  $\mbox{Mrs.}$  Berte look on approvingly as  $\mbox{Dr.}$  Pollick accepts his new position as president of BSC.

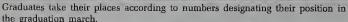
One of the most familiar photos of the year, this picture has appeared in nearly every publication since Dr. Berte announced his retirement.













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# graduation

the grand finale

Every year, BSC's seniors spend a weekend celebrating the accomplishment of earning their college degree. This year was no different. The festivities began on Friday, May 28 with the capping ceremony. At this ceremony students have the opportunity to be capped by anyone whom they choose, such as a parent, professor, or mentor. Saturday matering started with the baccalaureate services. The baccalaureate services with the baccalaureate services. The baccalaureate services, all the seniors had to be lined up at Boutwell Auditory ready to march at 3:10 in the afternoon. Twenty minutes

later, the graduation march began. This year's keynote speaker was a news anchor woman from CNN, who spoke eloquently about the future that we all have before us if we only make the most of our opportunities. Following the graduation ceremony, parents, friends, and graduates flocked to the Birmingham Museum of Art for refreshments at a private reception.







Allison Hargett agrees, the thought of the real world is scary. Luckily, leaving our comfort zones does not necessarily mean losing our supportive friends and family.

Relaced Norris attentively listens to the baccelourests coremony in the morning before graduation in the afternoon.

Meg Seibert and Nikki Report look on as a fellow classified is capped at the Friday evening expping excession



Opposite Top: No, it is not a lineup...Well, yes it is. Just not the kind one usually has in mind. Here the senior class gets in order for the graduation march.

Opposite Middle Left: BSC's own show choir opens the ceremony

Opposite Middle Right: McKenzie Martin and Georgina Simmons discuss the program before the march begins. Another line of graduates anxiously await their chance to walk across that infamous stage.





Stephanie Houston and Amanda Latifi discuss the next step in life.

Audrey Cook finalizes her passage from college with the traditional toss of her graduation cap.



#### The Last Hurrah

The average college graduate is famed for the anticipation felt regarding graduation. At least six months before the actual date, students begin to complain of senior-itis and claim that everything will be so much better when they do not have to worry about papers and tests. Somehow graduation will make everything better, perfect. Finally independent, able to make all one's own decisions.

How long does the illusion last? For some, the end of senior year realizes all the hidden fears: no job, no place to live, moving to another city to start another school. Others do not really see the magnitude of the transition until the actual day of graduation, when they realize that they will not be coming back to 'Southern, not as a student anyway. Still others do not realize the truth until they get to their homes, be it with their parents, new roommates, or totally alone for the first time.

Which ever of these people you are, eventually you will come to the conclusion that maybe life at BSC was not quite as bad as it was sometimes made out to be. While you do not really want to eat at the caf for the rest of your life, not having to cook or wash dishes is pretty nice.

Having wonderful security officers to call when your battery dies or you need a ride to the airport is no longer an option. And writing a 15 page term paper is suddenly preferrable to wondering how in the world you are going to afford your phone bill, electric bill, water bill, sewer bill, cable bill, rent, etc.

Though all of these new hurdles seem too high for the most gifted Olympian, the sense of accomplishment felt upon receiving that diploma will be almost matched when we all realize that we can make it out there in the big, scary real world. Sure, it will take just as much adjustment as coming to college, maybe more, but that will make it all the more worth it in the end.









From Top to Bottom: • The most treasured and anxiously awaited object for a college student, his or her diploma.• Laura Lee Latham sits next to her very proud father at the Friday evening capping ceremony. • Katy

Smith and Jason Kramer share the capping ceremony, not only with each other but with their loved ones. • Fran Meehan bids a fond farewell to Dr. Terry Goodrick in the Psychology Department. •



#### **Editor's Notes**

I would like to thank all of those who have helped make this year's edition of the Southern Accent possible: Josh Vasa, our sponsor; Cookie, our Herff Jones representative; Jason Falls, Bill Wagnon, and Lisa Harrison for providing pictures; everyone who helped with copy; and the companies and parents who bought ads to fund our book. Most importantly, I would like to thank the staff. Without you this book would not have been possible. I certainly could not have done it by myself.

We all tried hard to make this year's book even better than its predecessors. The experience has been a very trying one albeit rewarding. I have learned so much, and not just about yearbooks or publishing but life skills. Being the Editor-in-Chief of the Southern Accent has definitely expanded my resume in more than one way, but it has also expanded me as a person. I think that if I could do this and overcome so many of the obstacles that came up throughout the year, I can do anything. I sincerely hope that the rest of the staff feels the same way.

Just as a side note, I apologize for the lack of organizations featured in this year's book. However, we did everything in our power to include them. Those responsible for the absences are the presidents and sponsors of those organizations, who we contacted about pictures and meetings, but from whom we never received a response.

Erica Sisk















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