

BOYS' STATE

of Kansas

AMERICAN LEGION

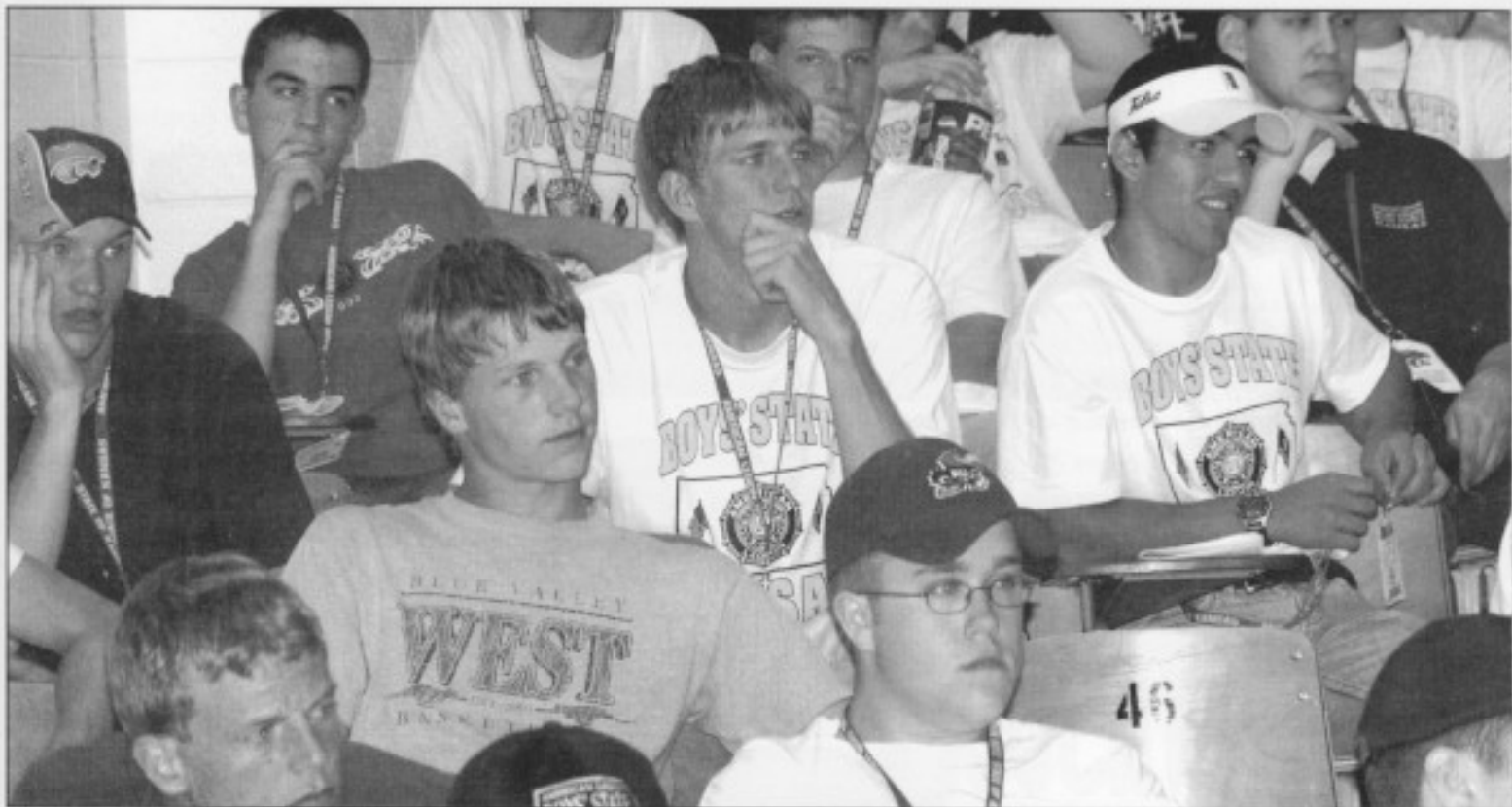


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American Legion BOYS' STATE *of Kansas* 2004



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"a week to change a lifetime"

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welcome

Hello:

I extend my warmest greetings to readers of this outstanding American Legion Boys' State of Kansas yearbook. I hope you had a great summer! The 67th session of The American Legion Boys' State of Kansas is history and you have joined thousands of other young men - in Kansas and across the nation - as alumni of a unique learning-by-doing experience in citizenship. My hope is that in reviewing this yearbook, some great memories of an important week will come back to you.

Your week at Boys' State was important for several reasons. First, you chose to attend. Whether successful or not in seeking an individual office or position, I hope you found the experience rewarding on a personal level. I hope you made a connection. Perhaps it was realizing a sense of obligation we have as citizens in a prosperous and free society, or gaining an appreciation of the sacrifices made by those of prior generations in times of war and conflict. Perhaps it was discovering a more complex perspective on patriotism and citizenship, or making a friend you will stay in touch with - or remember - the rest of your life.

Second, you chose to step out of your comfort zone while at Boys' State. Freedom did not come without cost to Revolutionary Americans, and its defense through the years, from threats abroad and within, has not been without a price. We must take risks if we wish to continue enjoying our particular form of freedom. Young American men and women are taking the maximum risk today all around the globe. Yet the greatest risk our Country asks of most of us is not nearly as profound. Today, the call to most of us is simply to venture beyond the comfort of our homes, to take a moment out of our busy lives, and vote when there is an election. Yet, generally speaking, we do a horrible job of answering this call.

I urge you to find a way to better future generations. Go to the polls, vote, work on behalf of a candidate, file for office or accept a position of leadership in your school or church community. We are so critical of the government we have - perhaps the government we have is a result of our collective efforts to be involved in the process - it is the government we deserve. If you do these things, and in the years ahead if you find yourself in a position to govern and lead, I hope you will look back on the first week of June, 2004, as a time when a spark was lit in you - by another stater, a counselor, or an advisor at Kansas Boys' State.

Good luck and please, pass along Kansas' best-kept secret - The American Legion Boys' State of Kansas - to next year's eligible delegates.

Jay Shelton
Executive Director

history

"To inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation," is the purpose of the American Legion Boys' State program. It was organized by the Department of Illinois in 1935. The Department of Kansas, holding Charter No. 5, was among the first to institute this week-long government-in-action program. Now, virtually every state department of the American Legion has its own Boys' State because of the program's ability to educate youth in practical politics and government operation.

The American Legion Boys' State of Kansas was headquartered in Wichita for 26 years before moving to the campus of the University of Kansas in 1963. It stayed there until 1992, when the program moved to Kansas State University.

The Boys' State program is available to any high school senior-to-be who meets the academic standards and demonstrates leadership potential. Civic and church groups as well as American Legion Posts sponsor delegates to this fine learning-by-doing, youth-in-government program.

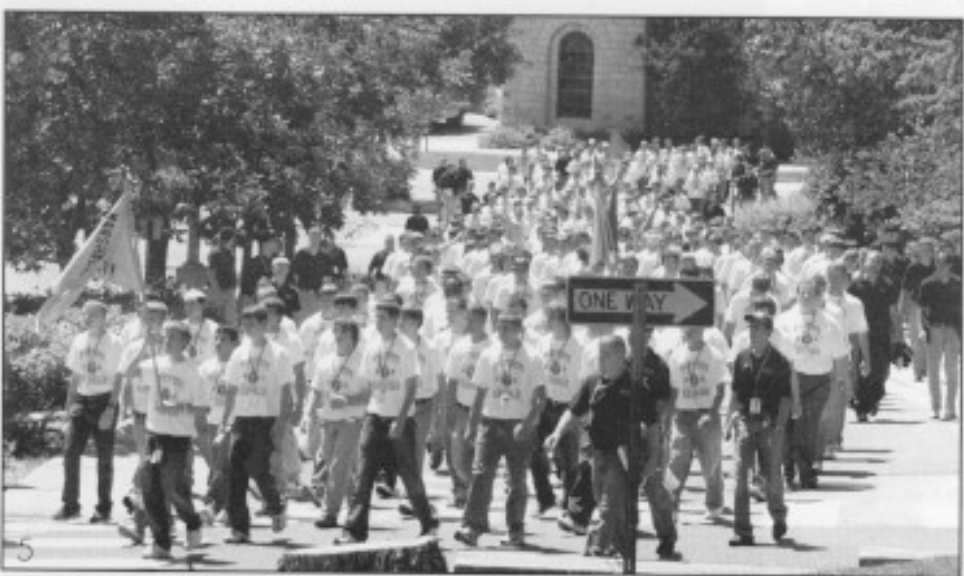
Almost 50,000 young men from across Kansas have participated in Boys' State and performed nearly every function of city, county, and state government. Former delegates, members of the American Legion, and Sons of the American Legion return each year to serve as counselors and advisors. Many of them work year-round on ways to improve the curriculum and structure of the program.

During each session, two Staters are chosen by their peers to represent Kansas at the American Legion Boys Nation in Washington, D.C. In doing so, they participate in a learning-by-doing program that focuses on our government at the national level.

Sunday

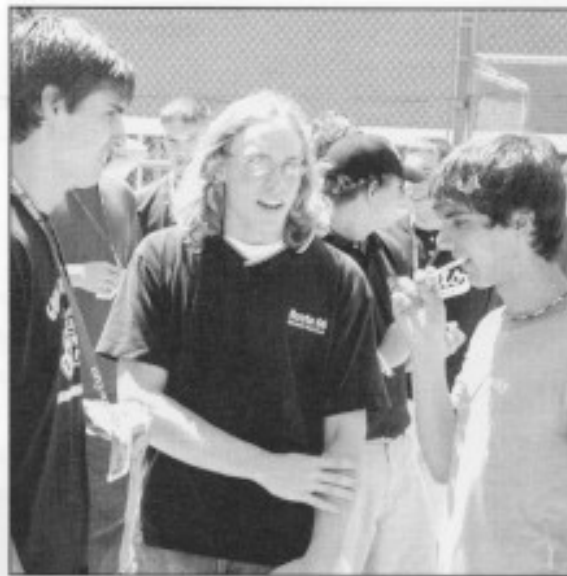
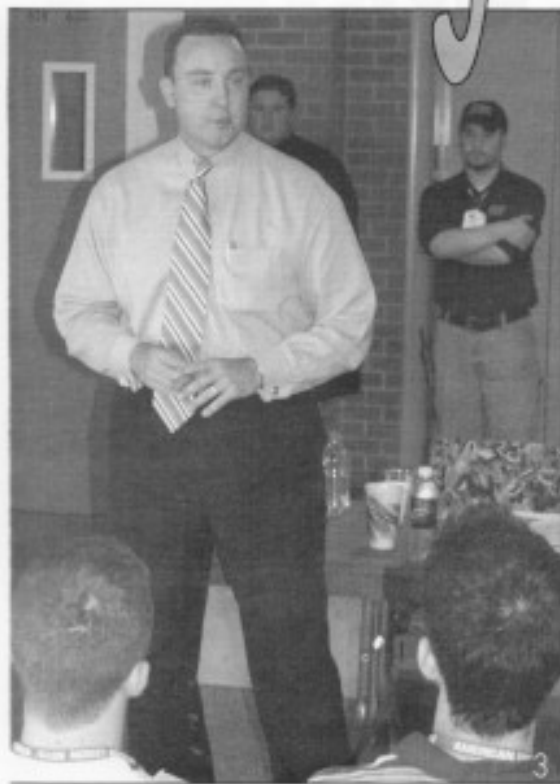


The 67th session of the American Legion Boys' State of Kansas began as approximately 500 delegates from across Kansas arrived at K-State for registration. Delegates and Boys' State Staff immediately immersed themselves in the schedule with orientation activities and county team building exercises, before leaving for McCain Auditorium and the Opening Ceremonies. Former delegates Delano Lewis [1955] and Kansas Senator Anthony Hensley [1970] encouraged this year's delegates to get involved by describing how Boys' State helped shape their lives and career choices. During the evening, cities, counties, and the political parties began organizing their governing bodies.



1. Opening speaker, and 1955 delegate to Kansas Boys' State, Delano Lewis.
2. Executive Director, Jay Shelton
3. Kansas Senator Anthony Hensley
4. Coordinators, George Rathwell, Kristofer Bain, Mike Zimmers, Lee Urban, and Scott Bley.
5. The first march to McCain.

Monday

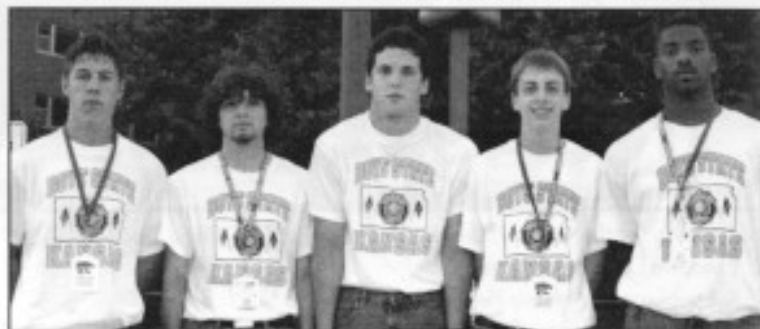


The Boys' State government began to take shape on Monday morning as the primary election campaign swung into full gear. The associations, parties, and candidates for office used the morning's political fair to garner support for their causes. The afternoon Whistle Stop Tour provided a final chance for the candidates to spread their messages to their respective party members before the election. An afternoon thunderstorm provided a welcome respite from the heat, but postponed recreation activities for a day. Primary election winners were announced at the evening retreat, signaling the opening of the general election campaign season, which included party conventions later that night.

1. Matt Aelmore campaigns for office.
2. The Monday morning Political Fair.
3. Kansas Secretary of State, Ron Thornburgh speaks on the Whistle Stop Tour.
4. 2003 Governor Markell Maxwell swears in the new city mayors.
5. Nathan Hittle speaks at the Nationalist Party Convention.
6. Bruce Snead, former Mayor of Manhattan, speaks to City and County officials.



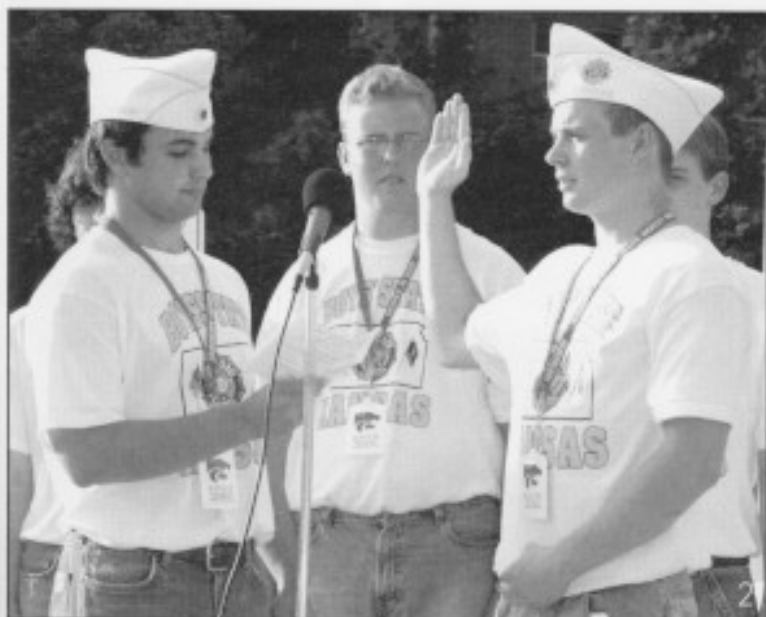
Federalist winners: Comm. of Insurance Matthew Aelmore, Sec. of State David Huffer, State Treas. Rob Dellinger, Atty. Gen. Tyler Bolton and Governor Christian Corrigan.



Nationalist winners: Comm. of Insurance Jarrod Ryan, Sec. of State Francisco Veyra, State Treas. Philip Rich, Atty. Gen. Spencer King and Governor Troy Smith.



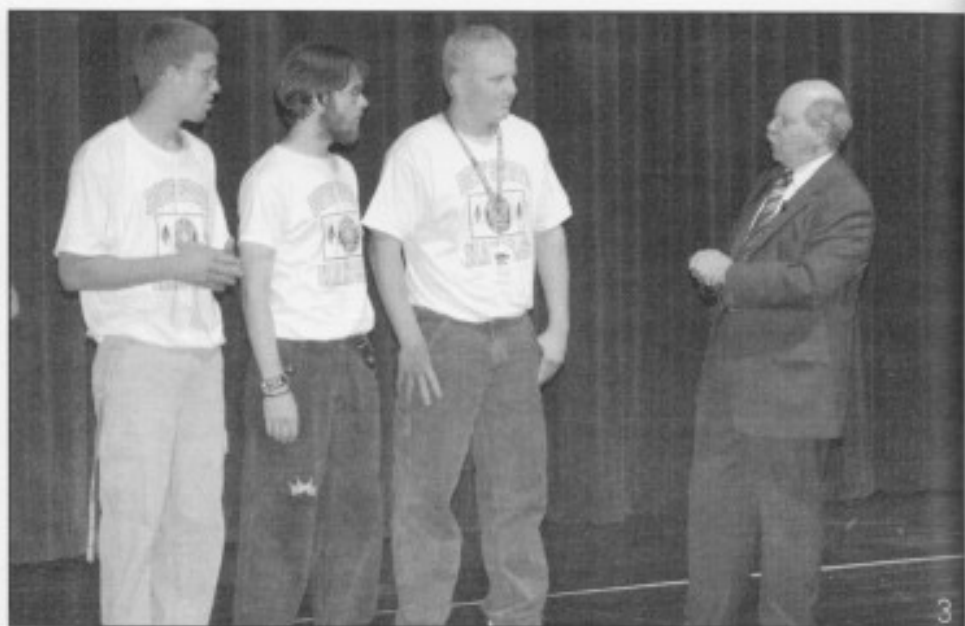
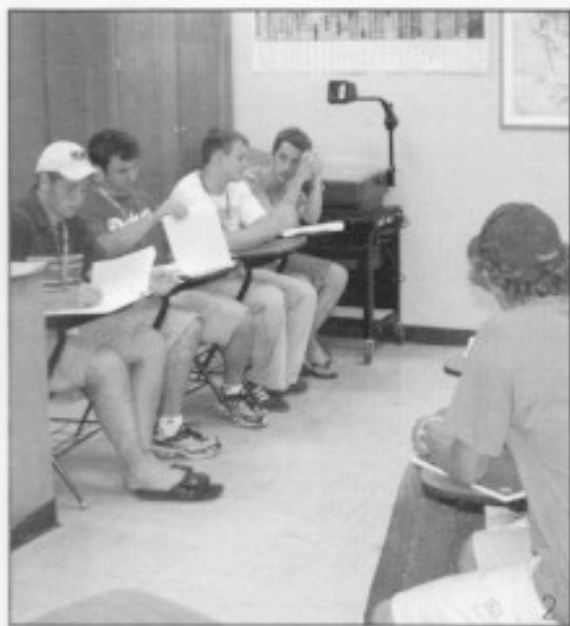
tuesday



The general election campaign revved into full throttle as the State Office candidates prepared to make their final pitch at the State Candidate's Debate that afternoon. City and county governments continued to work on issues facing their constituents through government projects. Following the Debate, delegates returned to their respective counties to cast their votes, and by Tuesday evening, all branches of the newly elected Boys' State government were in operation. Delegates were able to enjoy an afternoon of recreation at the KSU Recreation Center, which provided a time to unwind from the day's government activities.

1. State Office Winners: Comm. of Insurance Matthew Aelmore, Secretary of State Francisco Weyra, State Treasurer Rob Dellinger, Attorney General Spencer King, Lt. Gov. Zach Oswald, and Gov. Christian Corrigan.
2. Governor Corrigan swears in his Lieutenant Governor.
3. State Candidate's Debate at McCain.
4. The Debate from the Candidates' perspective.
5. Kansas State Senator Derek Schmidt speaks to the Senate.
6. Eisenhower County Counselor Jason Trimble receives the Achievement Banner from Goodnow Hall Coordinator Mike Zimmers.

wednesday

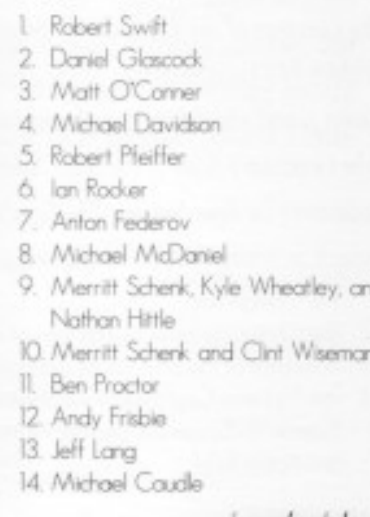


Wednesday marked the first full day for the new government. The newly elected Boys' State Legislature met in Joint Committees to formulate budget proposals, and their response to Governor Corrigan's proposed budget. City and county governments continued to provide their constituents needed services as outlined in their daily projects. The delegation attended the evening's Talent Show in McCain Auditorium for a much needed break from the grind of government work.



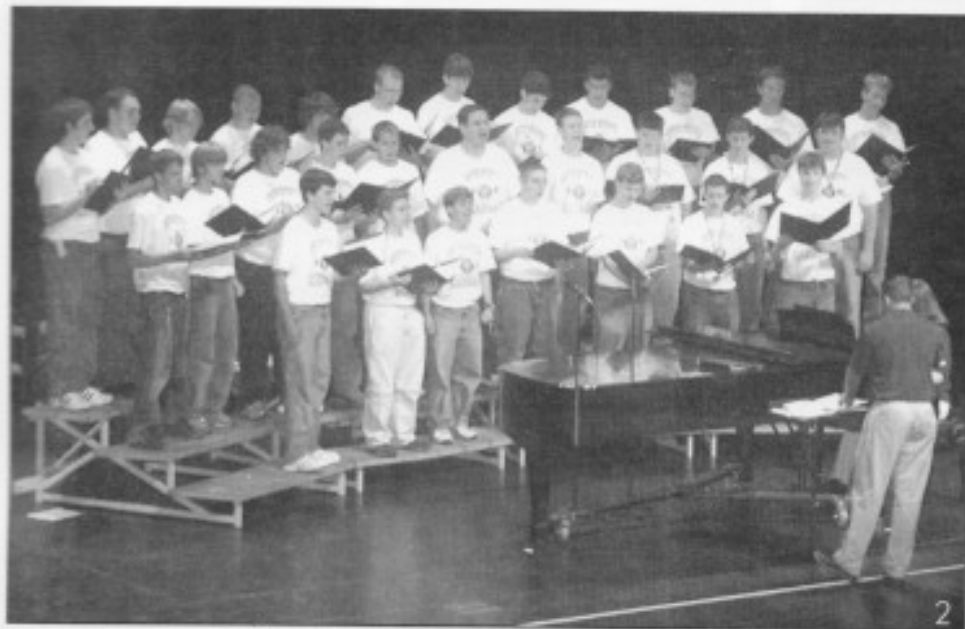
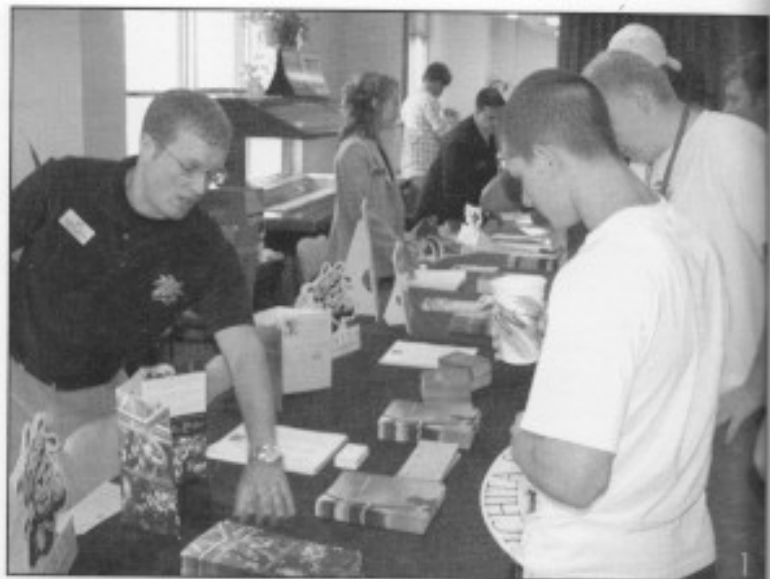
1. Advisor Lester Paul accepts the inaugural "Friend of Boys' State" award for his dedicated service to State.
2. A legislative joint committee at work.
3. Judge G. Joseph Pierron presents "The Supreme Court in Review."
4. "What seems to be the problem officer?"
5. The Boys' State Senate in action.
6. The Department of Culture works on their daily project.
7. "Coordinator" Dan Mclean sings for more "American Pie."





1. Robert Swift
2. Daniel Glascock
3. Matt O'Conner
4. Michael Davidson
5. Robert Pfeiffer
6. Ian Rooker
7. Anton Federov
8. Michael McDaniel
9. Merritt Schenk, Kyle Wheatley, and Nathan Hittle
10. Merritt Schenk and Clint Wiseman
11. Ben Proctor
12. Andy Frisbie
13. Jeff Lang
14. Michael Coudle

thursday



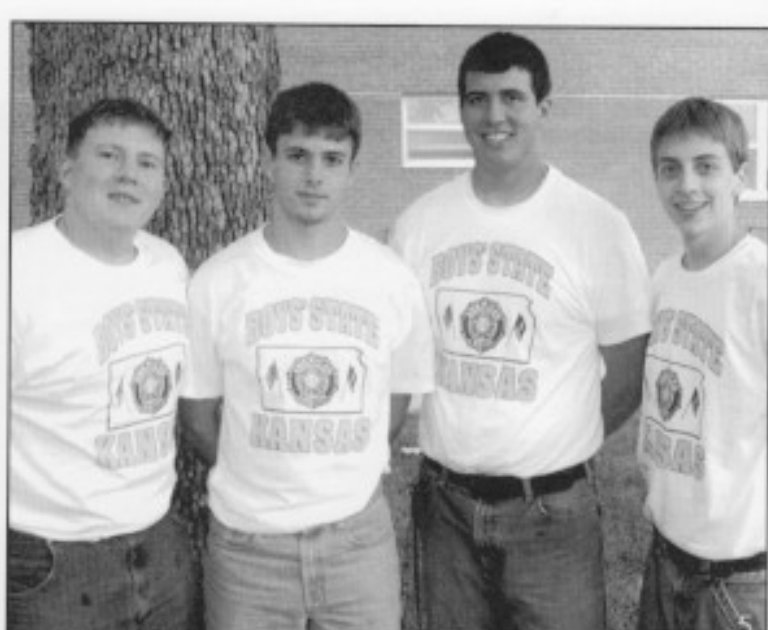
All branches of the Boys' State government played an active role in developing economic and social policies on Thursday as cities, counties, and the State Associations were required to make presentations to the State Agencies. A schism developed between the State Legislature and Governor Corrigan over disagreements in how the state budget should be allocated, including a veto by Corrigan of the Legislature's proposed budget, which was promptly overridden by a two-thirds vote of the Legislature. Following another active recreation period, the delegates gathered for the annual Chorus and Band Concerts, the Governor's State of the State Address, and presentations from the county nominees for Boys Nation. The Boys' State Weather Service issued a tornado watch as severe weather threatened parts of Boys' State.

1. The College Fair.
2. The Chorus performs at their annual concert.
3. Members of the Boys' State Band play at their concert.
4. The Supreme Court: Top: Kyle Boomer, Matt Meinig, Jordan N. Roberts, Thomas W. Bazemore. Bottom: Nolan Chaney, Chief Justice Michael D. Cobb, and Kalem Kopf.





friday



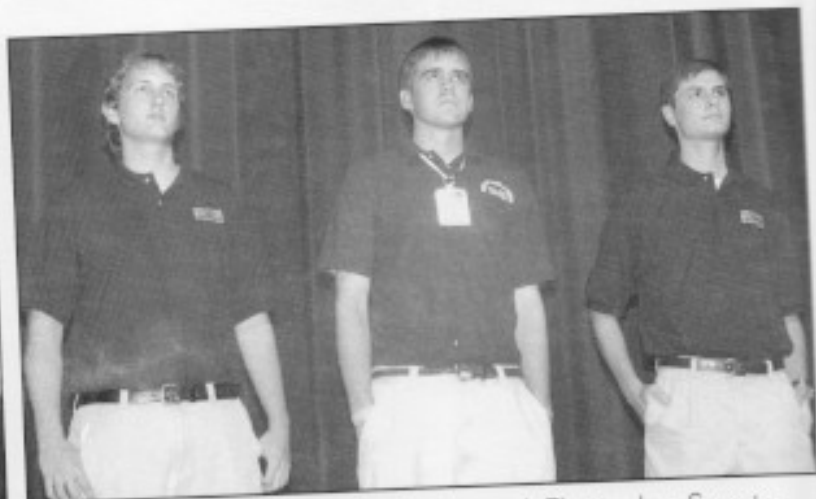
Delegates in Powell and Seitz Counties awoke Friday morning to the news that they had been hit hard by storms overnight. Several tornadoes and heavy rains caused extensive flooding and damage within those counties, prompting Governor Corrigan to declare them disaster areas. The Legislature wrapped up their 2004 session by considering bills proposed by cities, counties, and other interested parties. The day ended with a barbecue featuring roasted hogs on the tennis courts, and evening activities at the KSU Student Union.

1. Delegates enjoy the barbecue at the tennis courts.
2. Foosball at the KSU Student Union.
3. Softball during recreation at Boys' State.
4. Preston Schraeder spikes the volleyball.
5. Boys Nation Delegates Mitch Bringle and Lucas Vinze with Alternates Preston Schraeder and Spencer King.
6. An action-packed Boys' State soccer game.

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2003 Governor,
Mardell Maxwell



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American Legion State
Commander Leonard Hill



Morning Legion program
with Jim Schroer.

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Not pictured) Frances Swenson

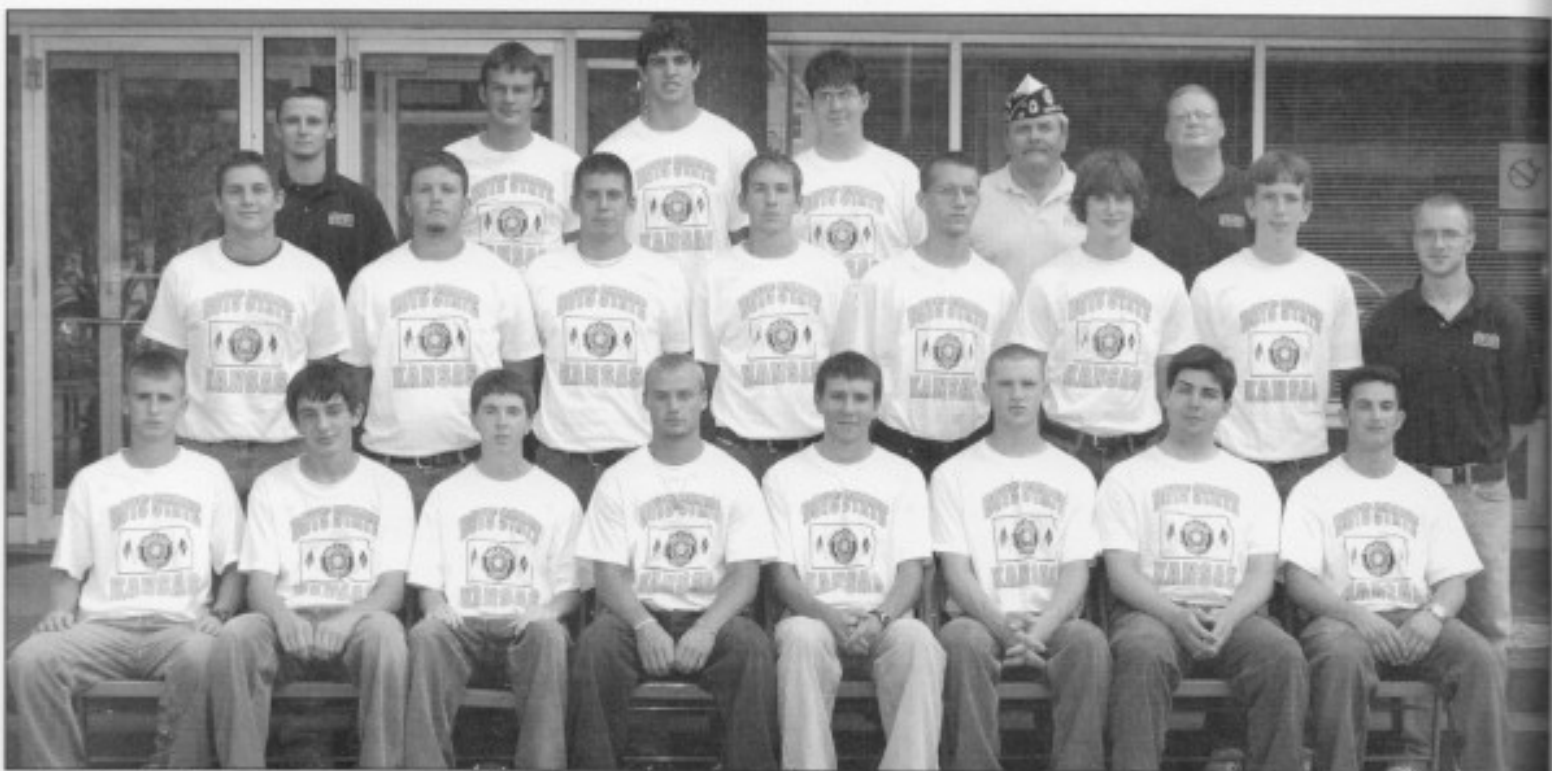
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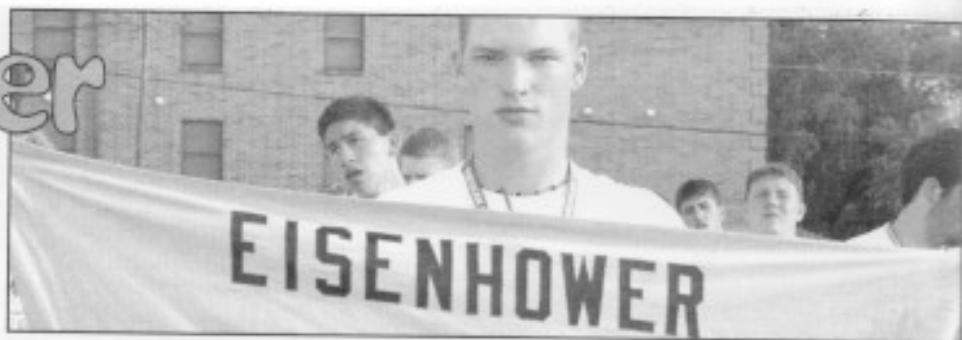
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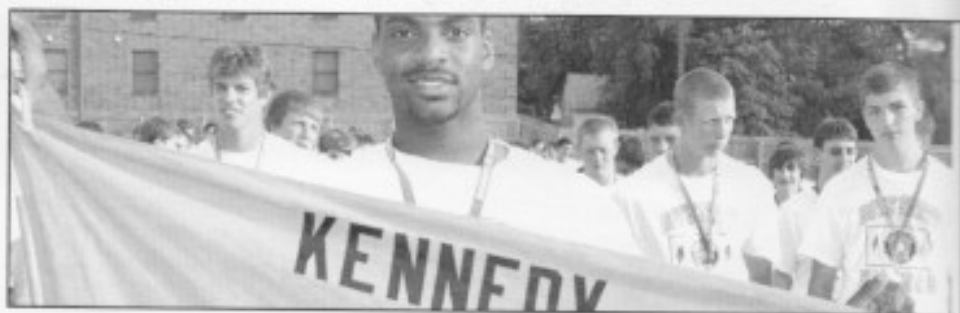
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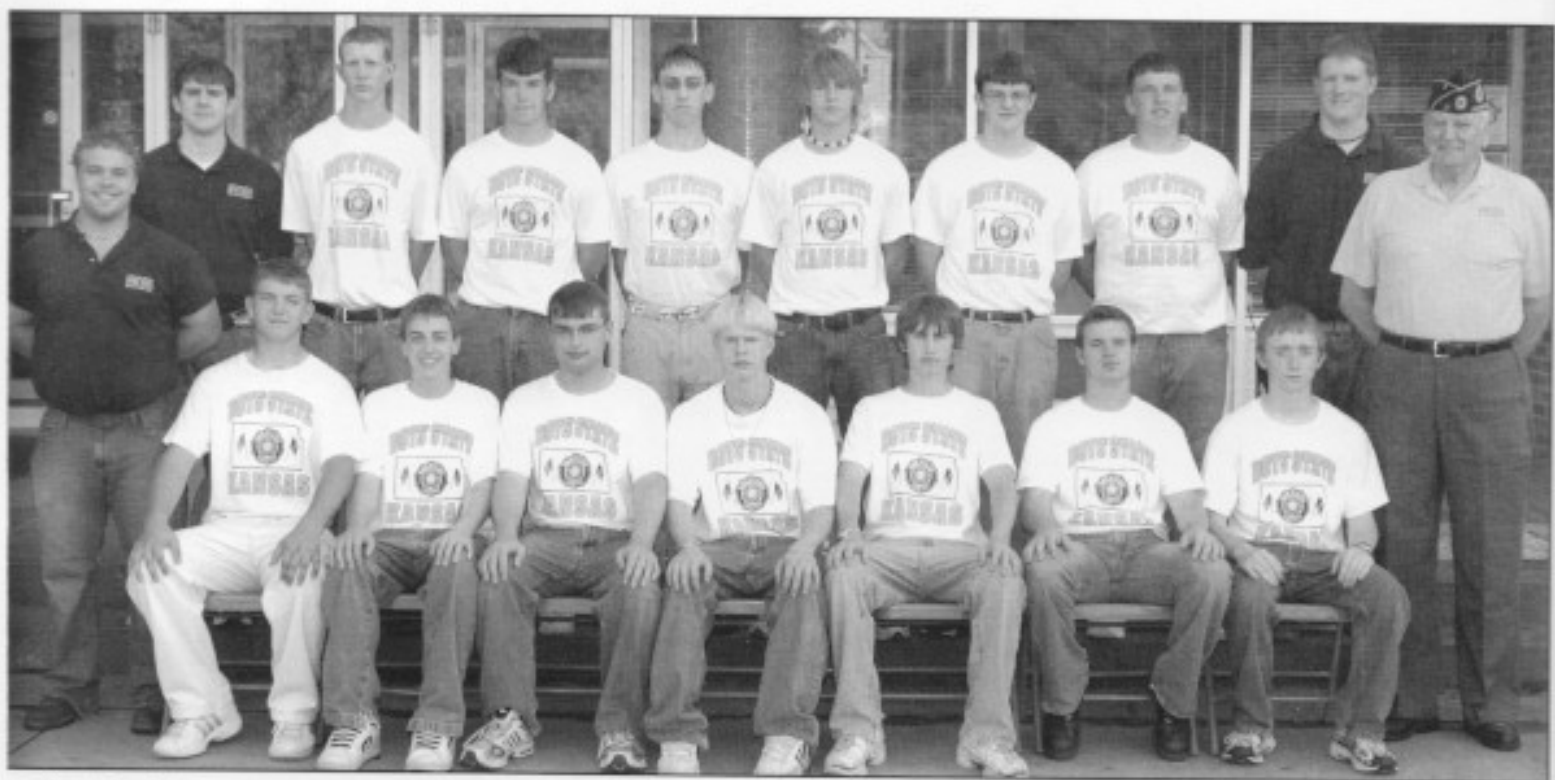
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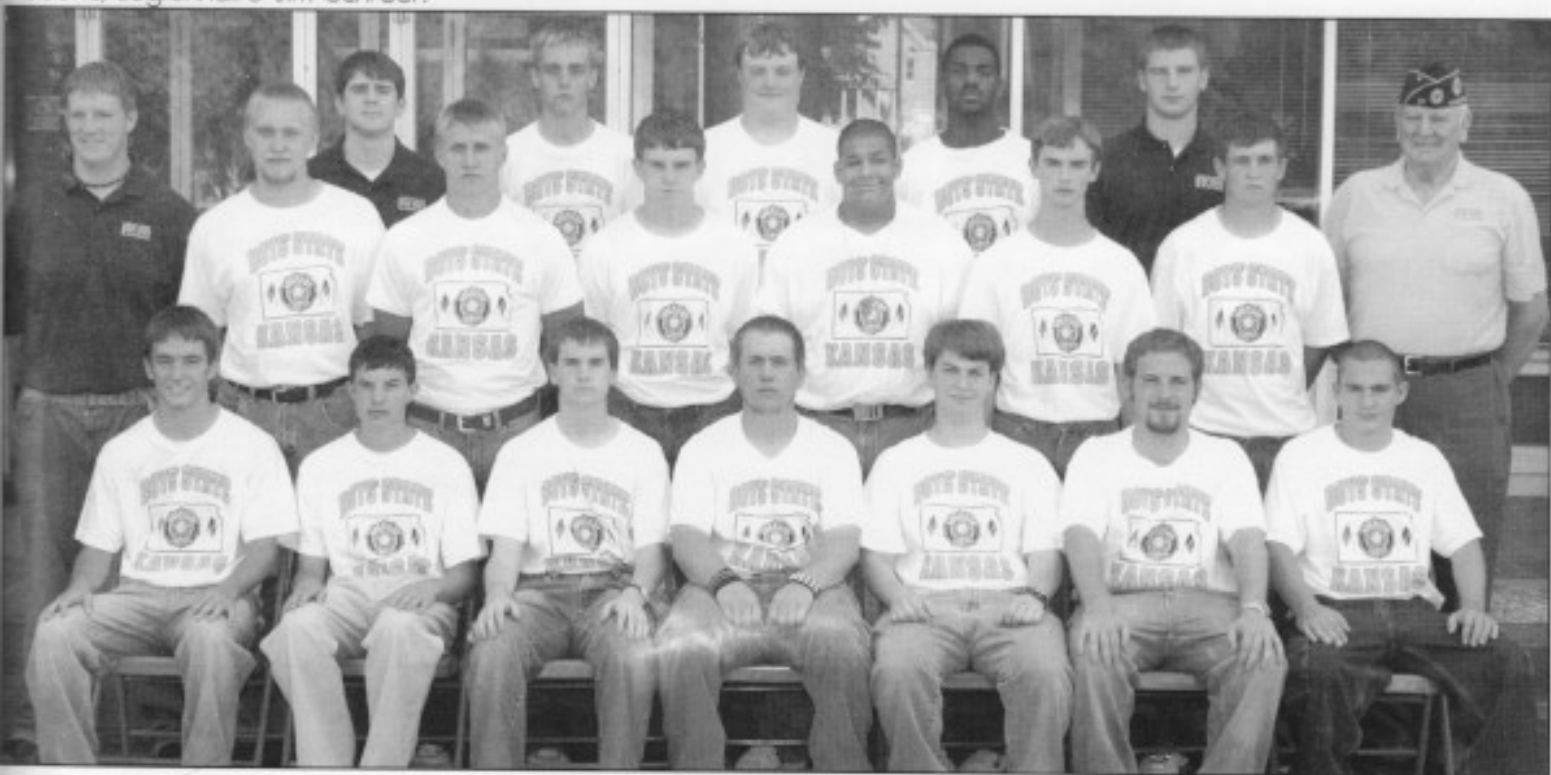
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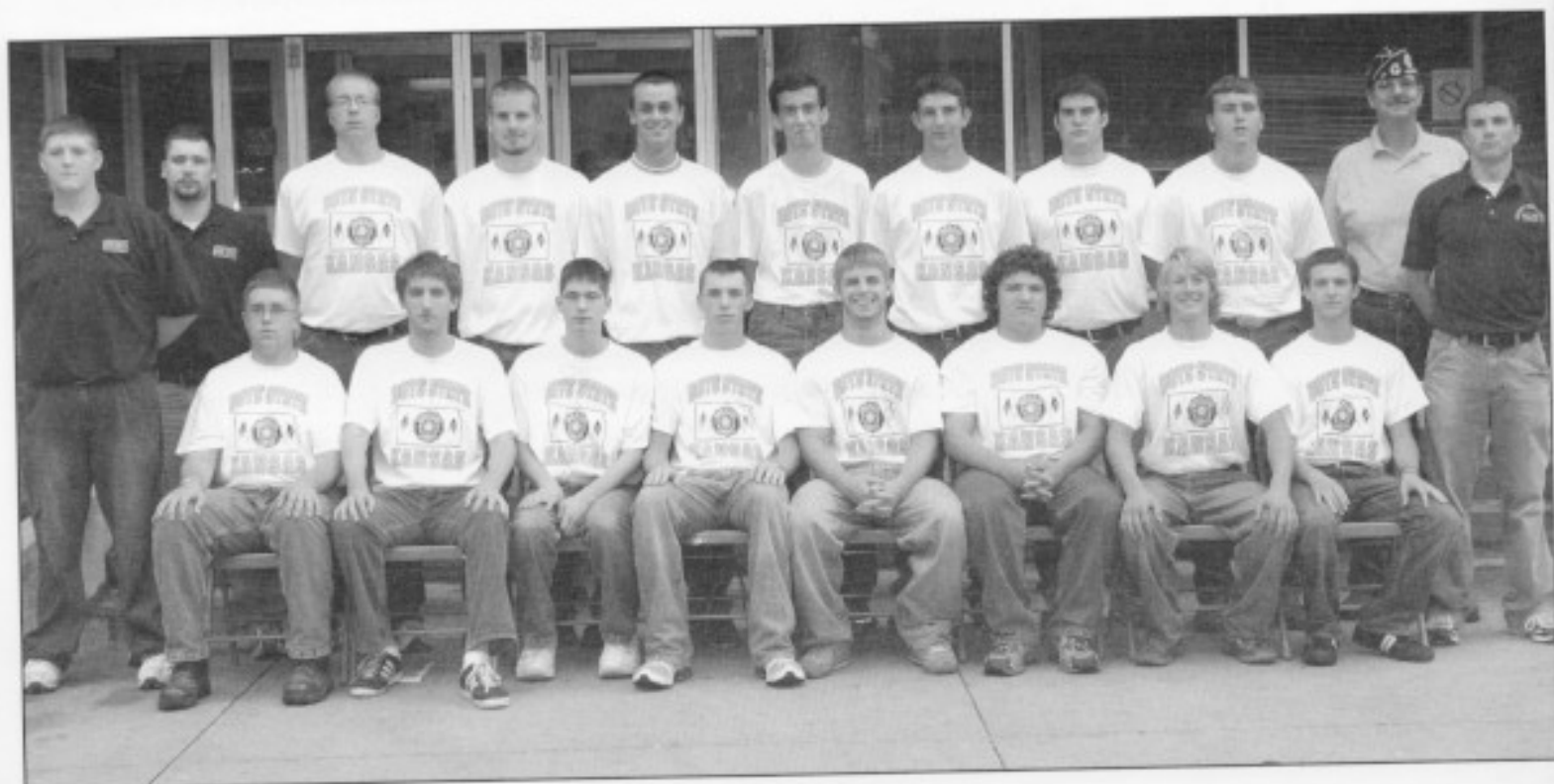
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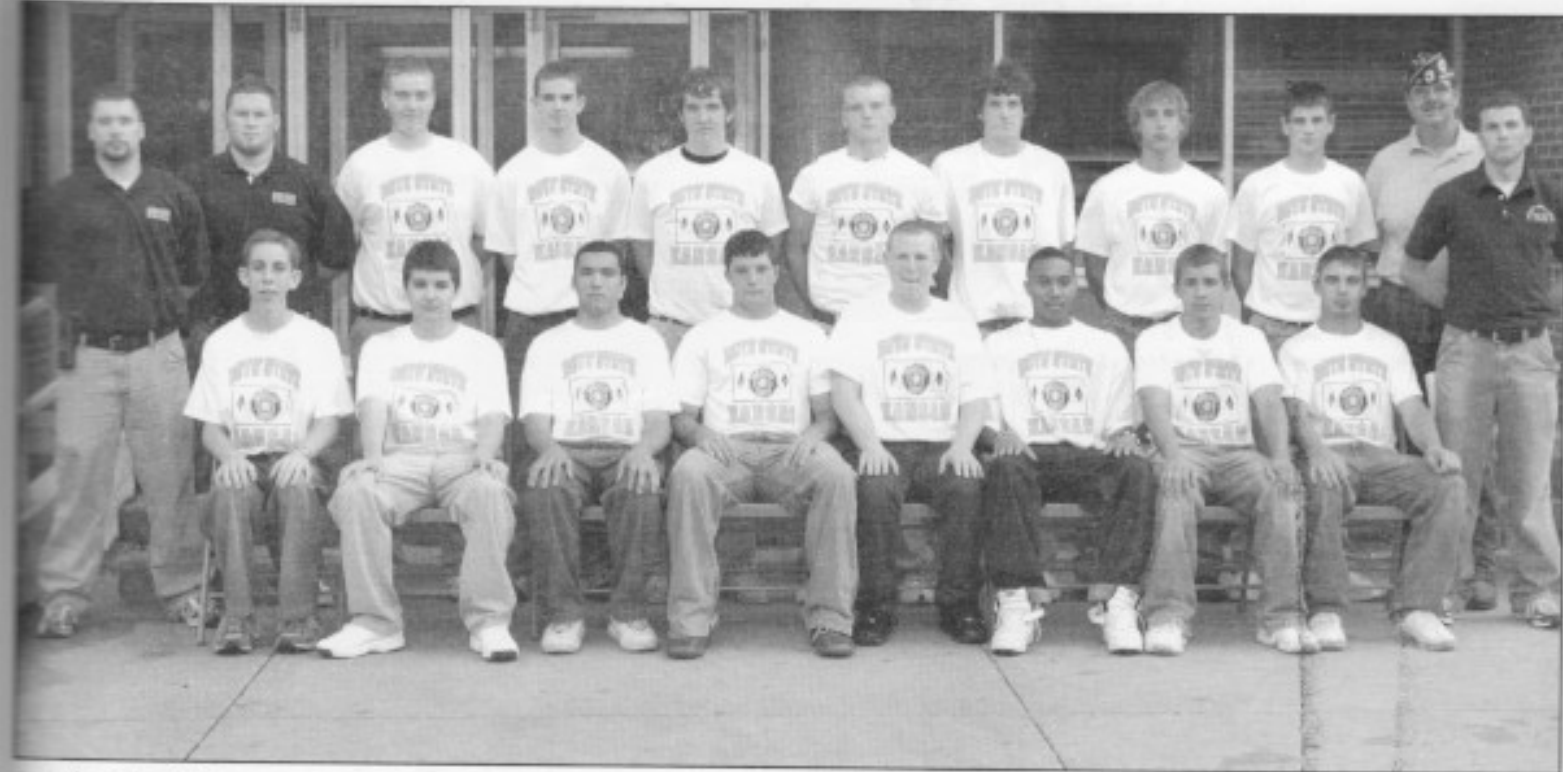
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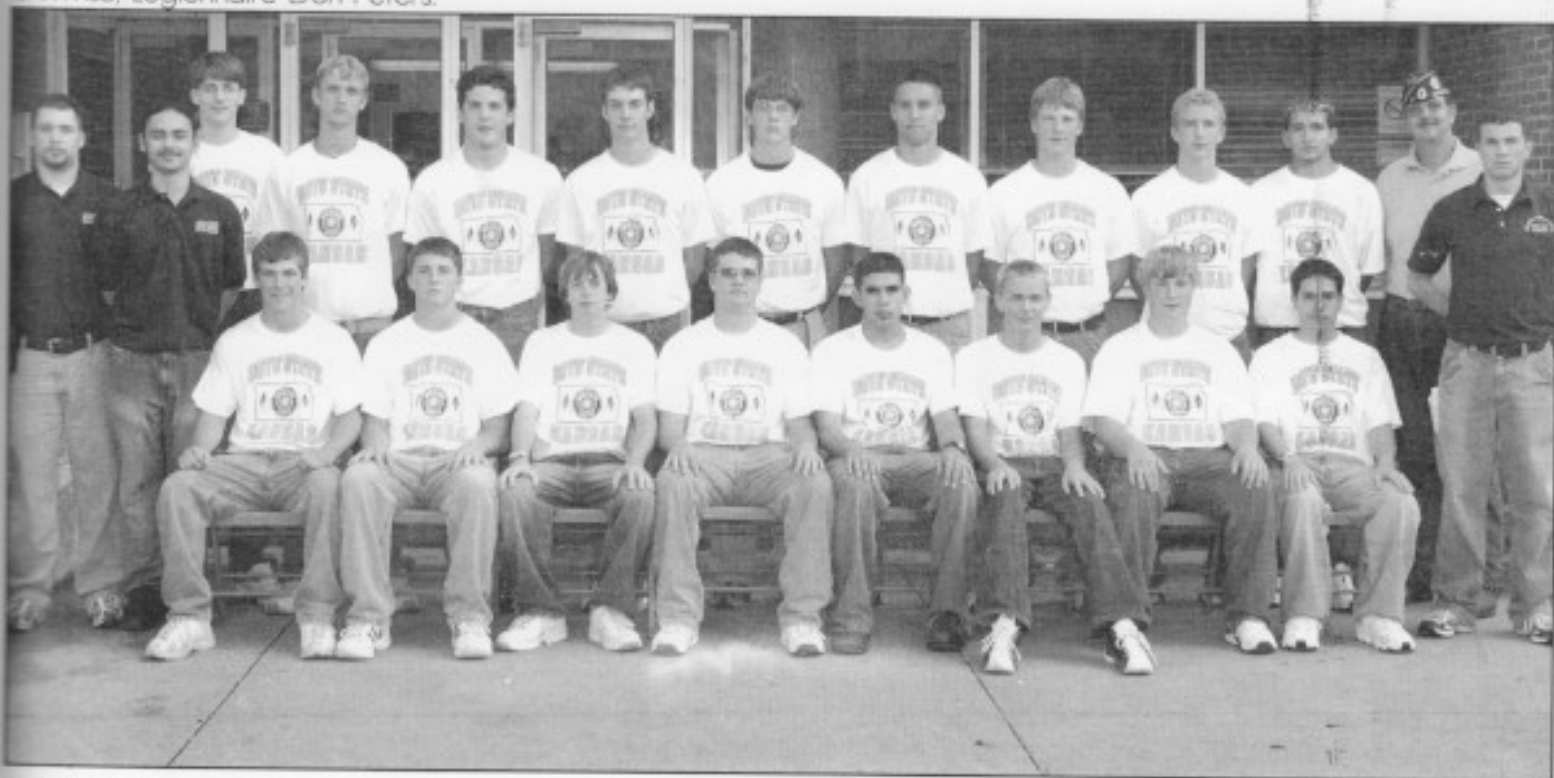
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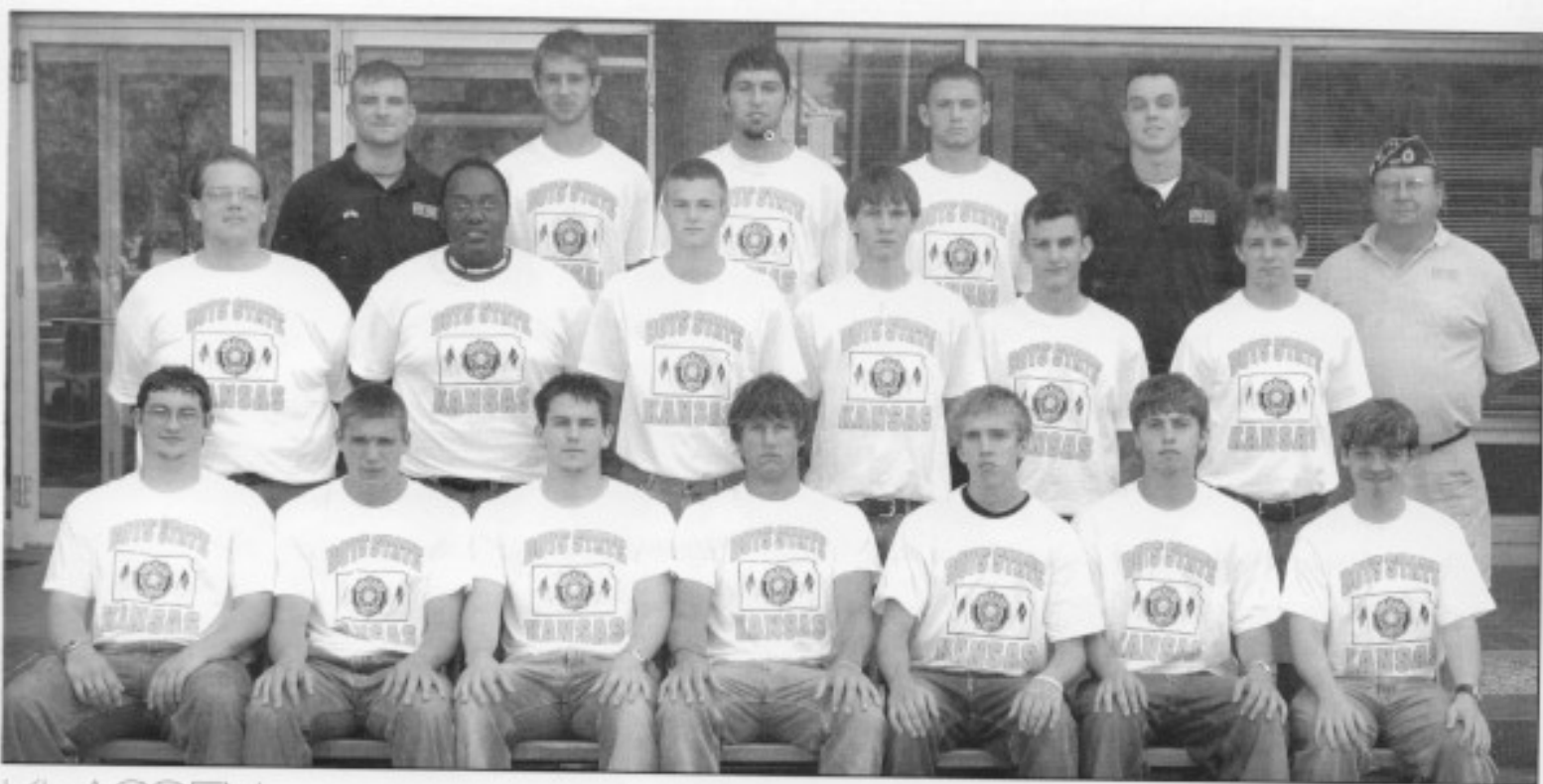
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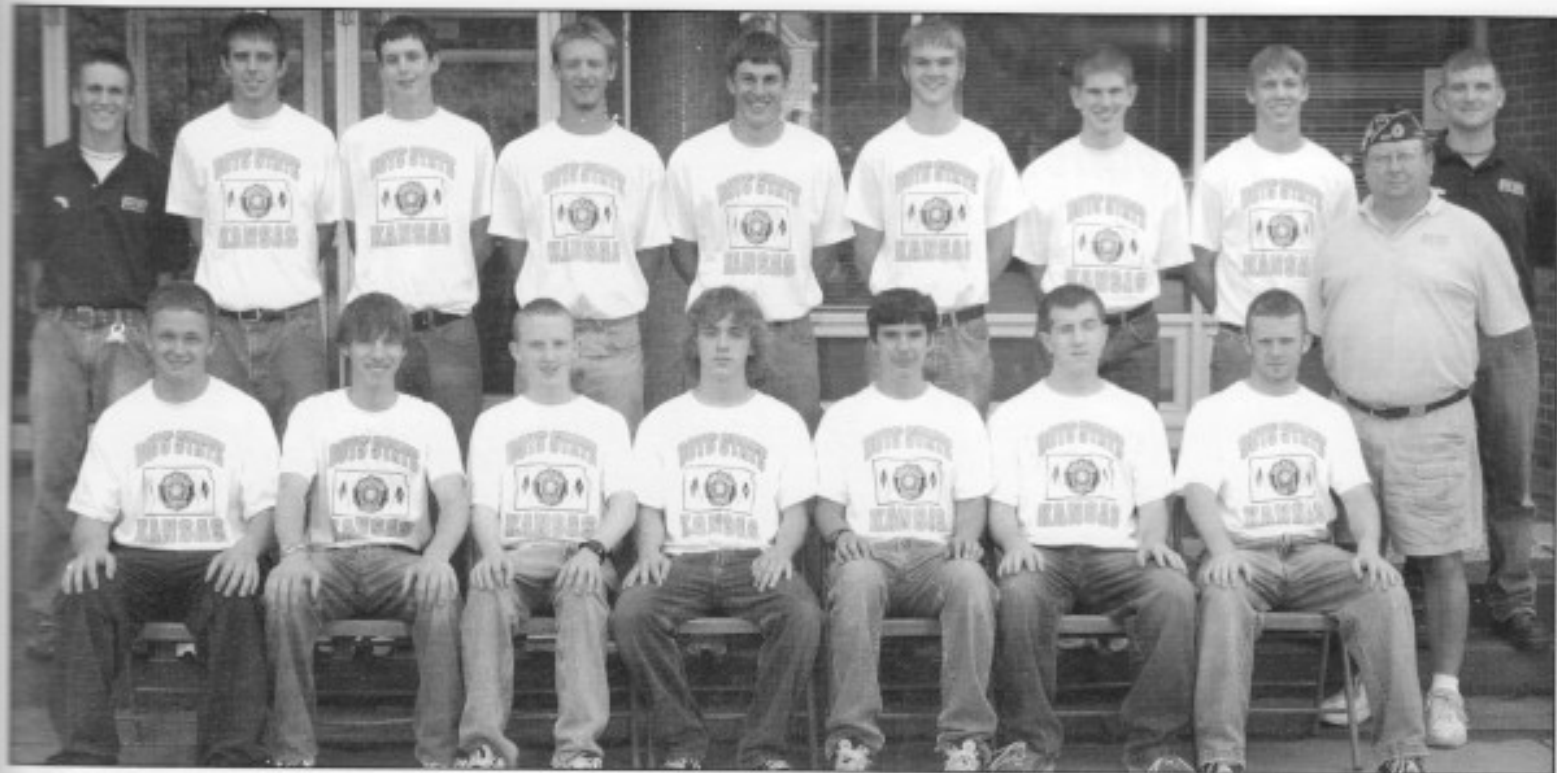
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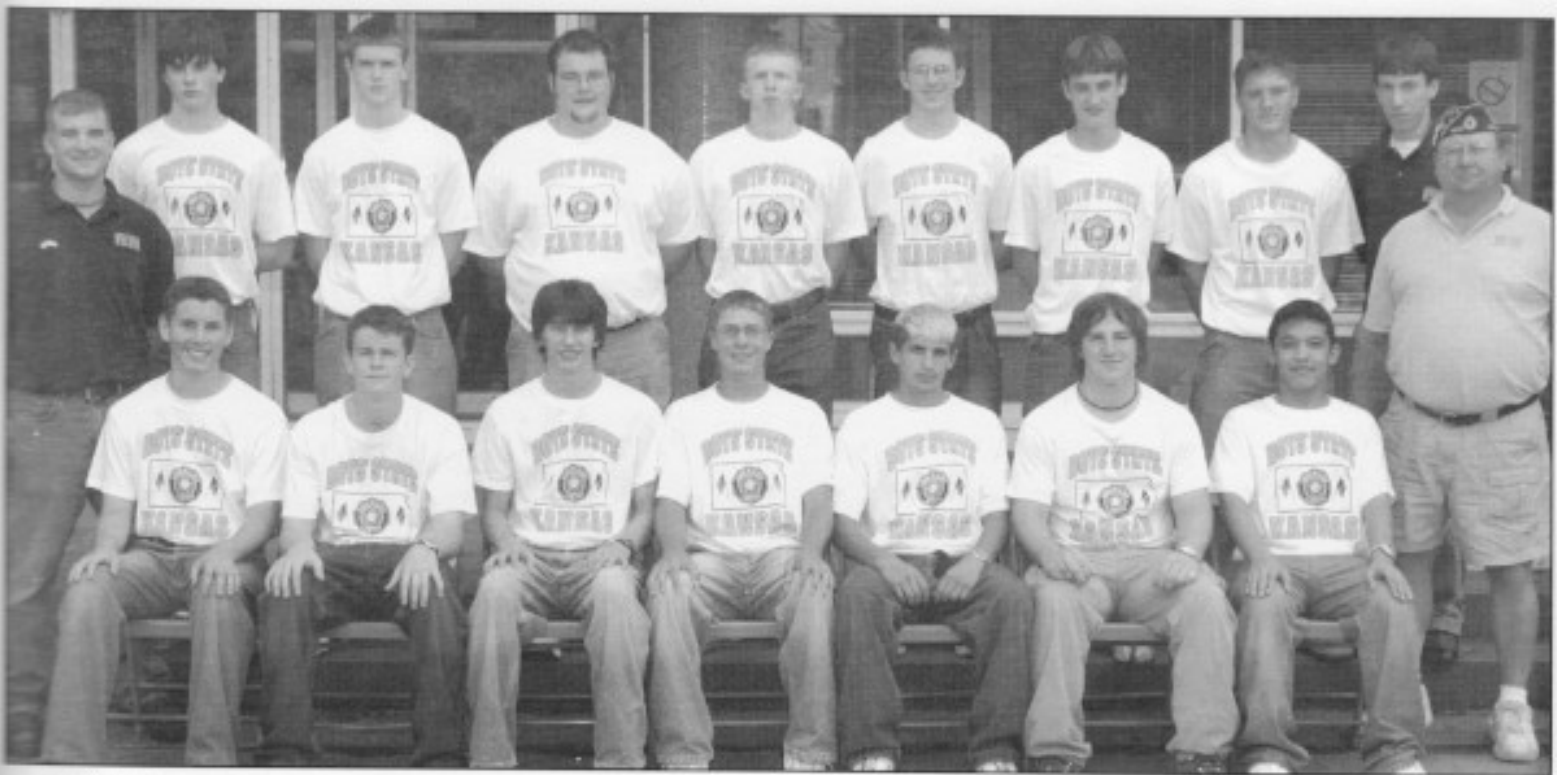
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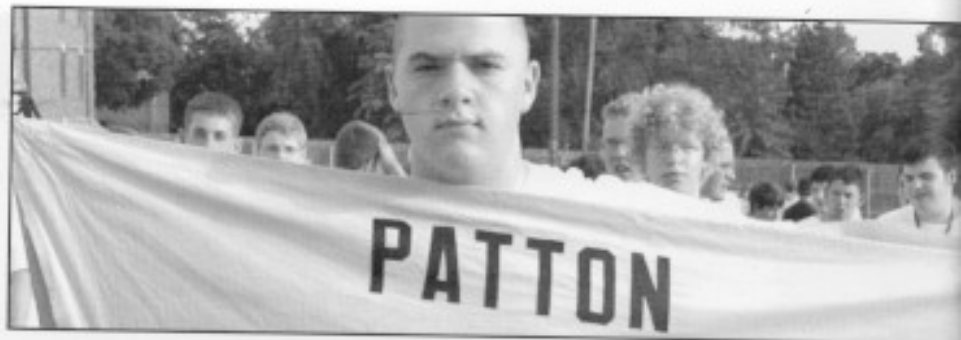
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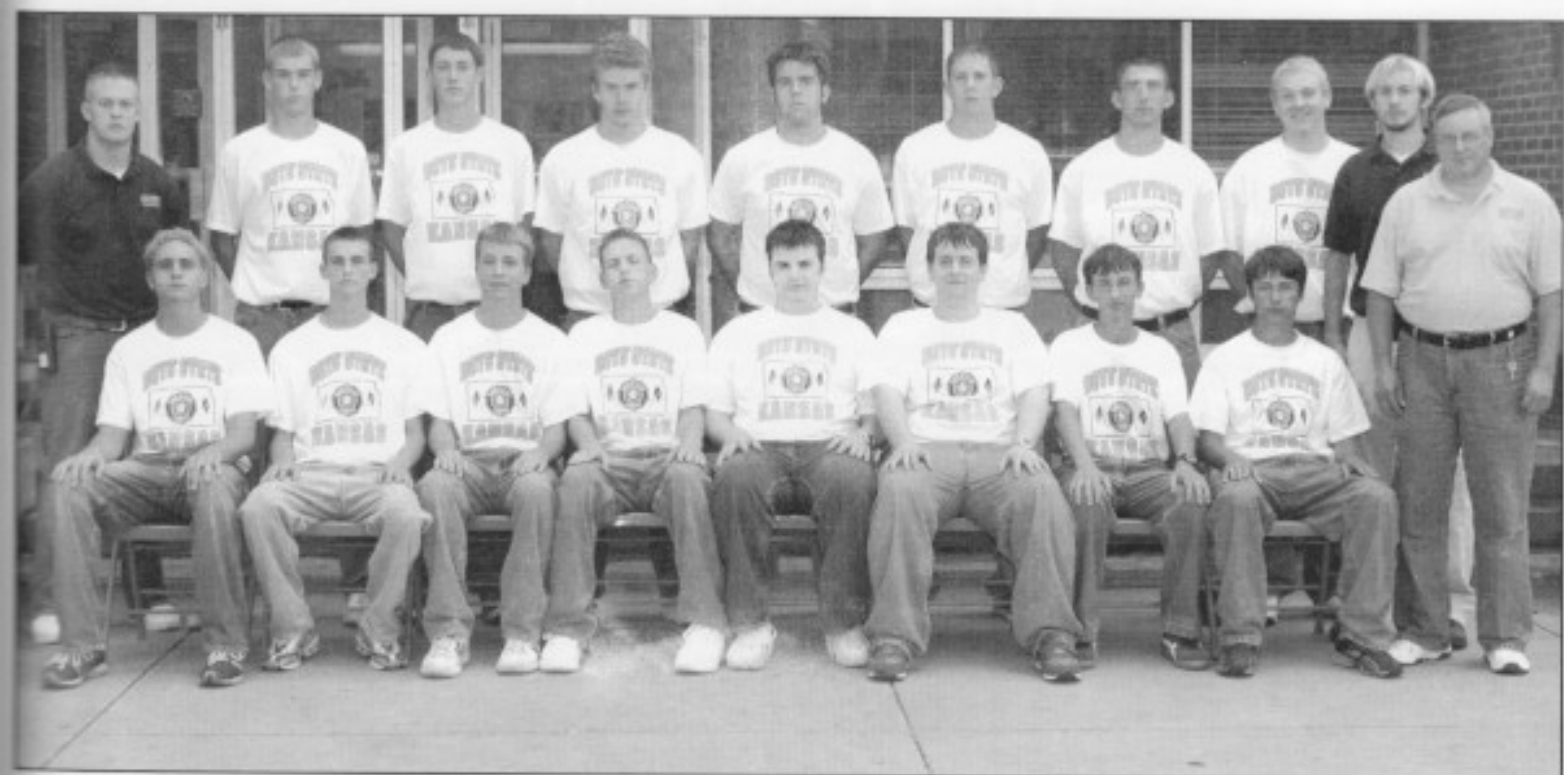
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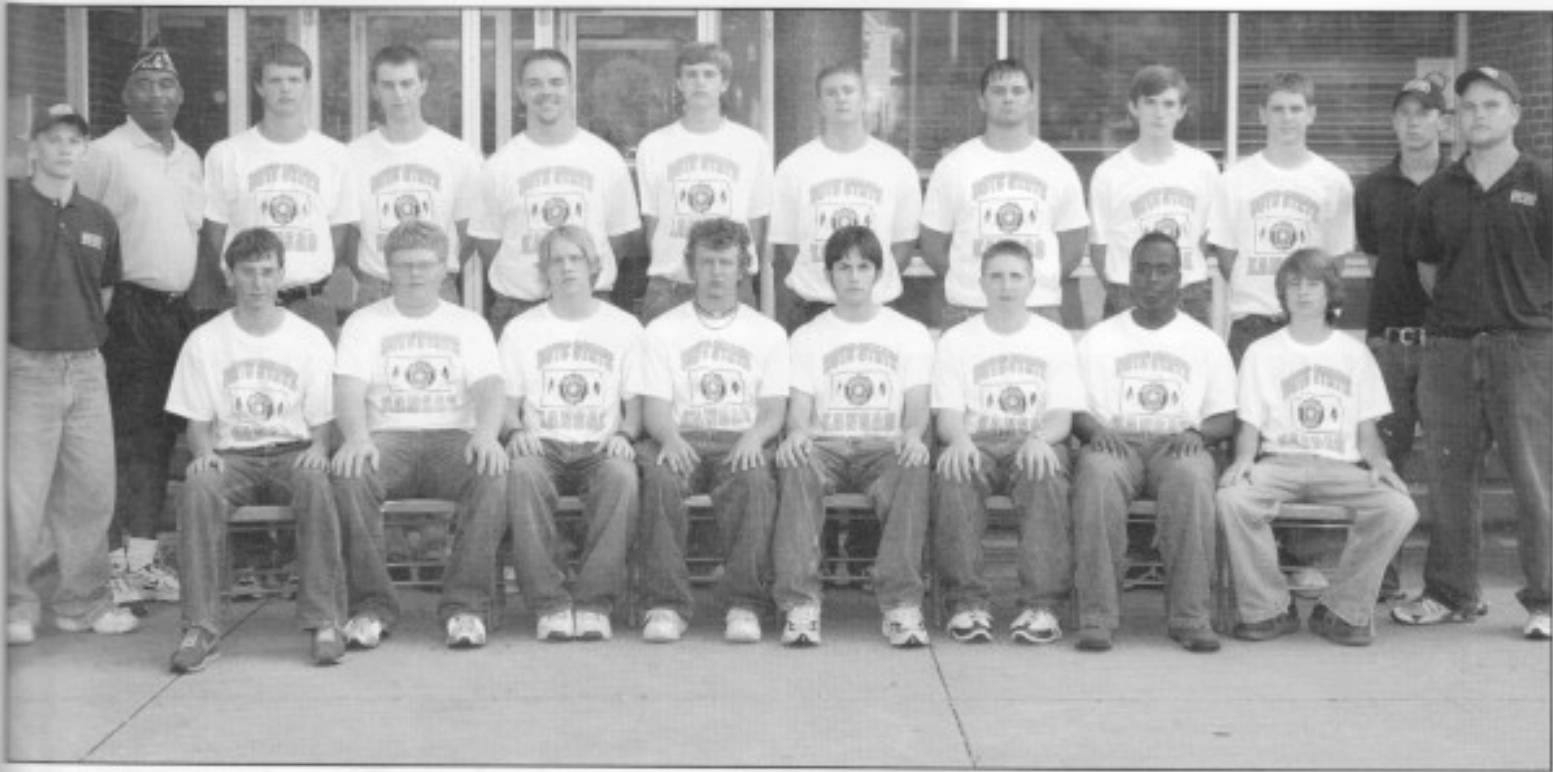
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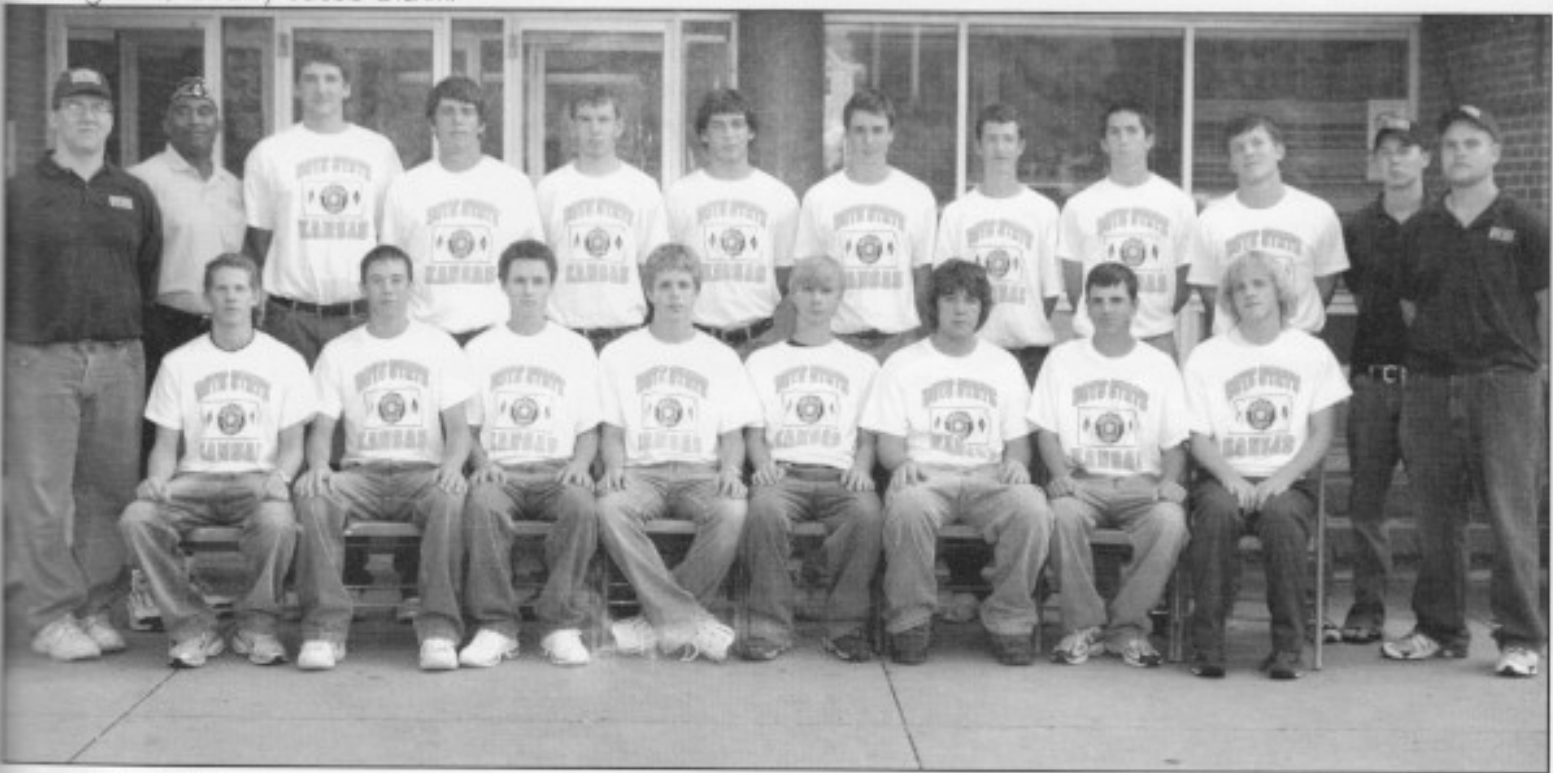
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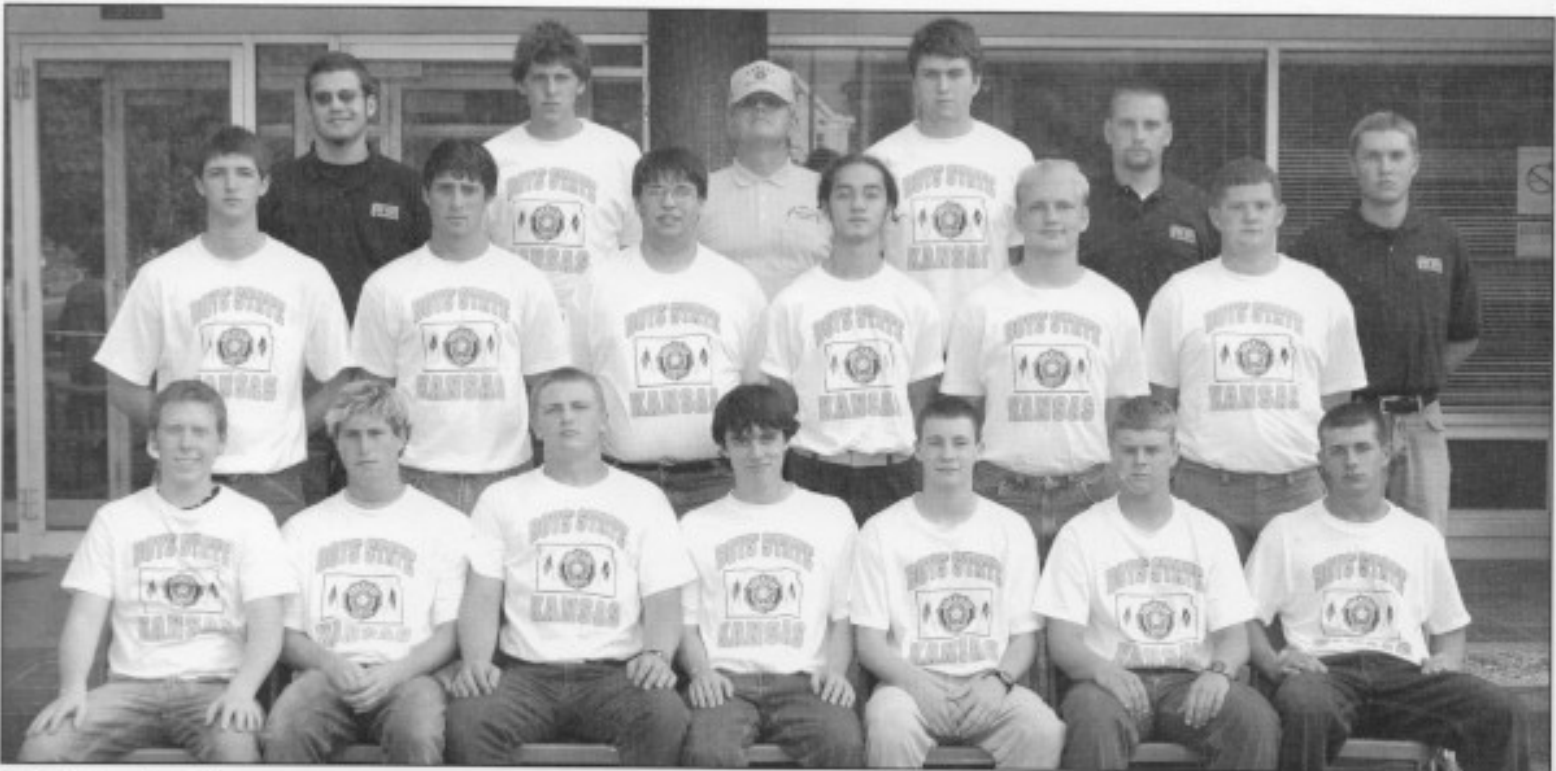
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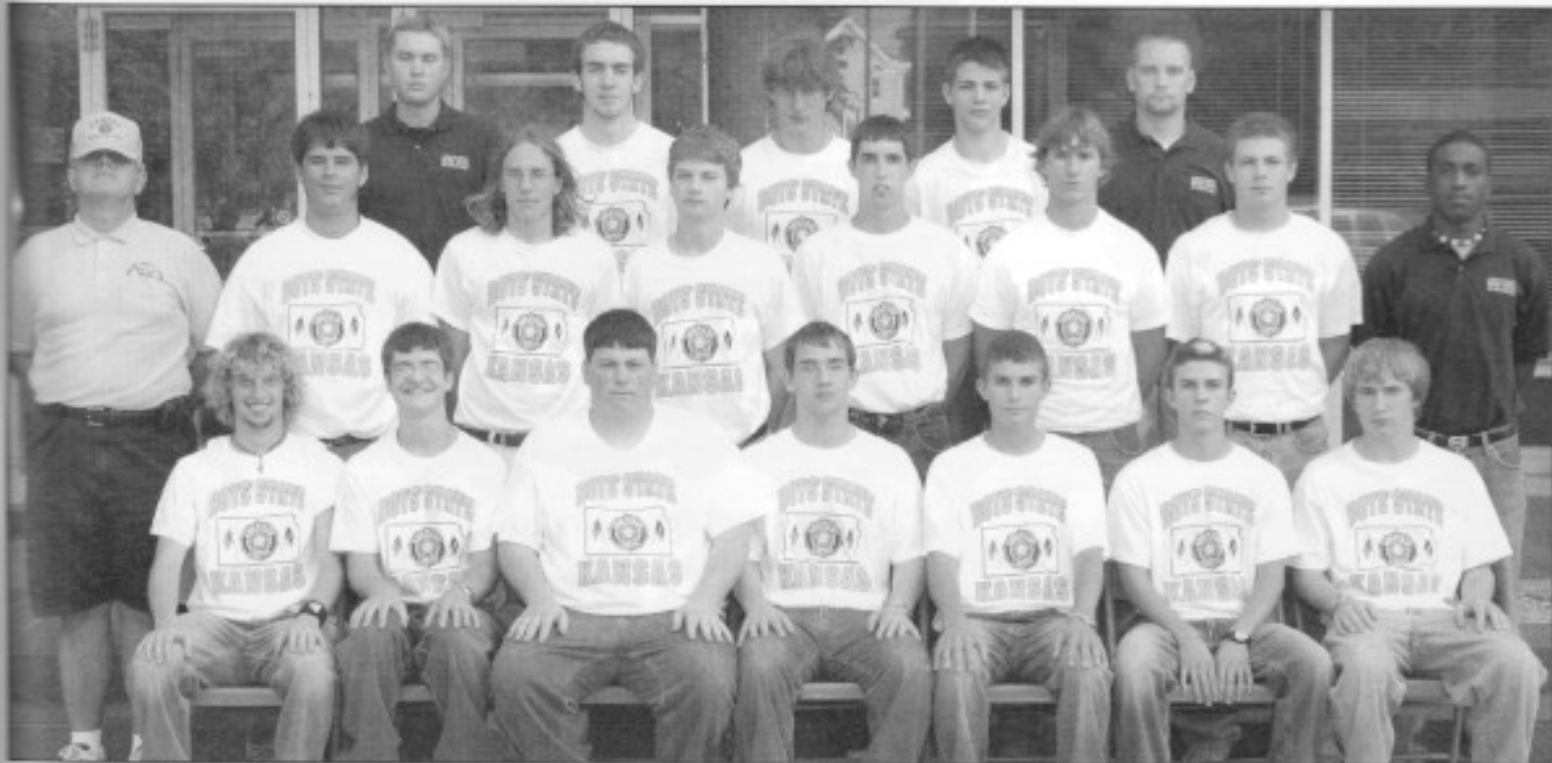
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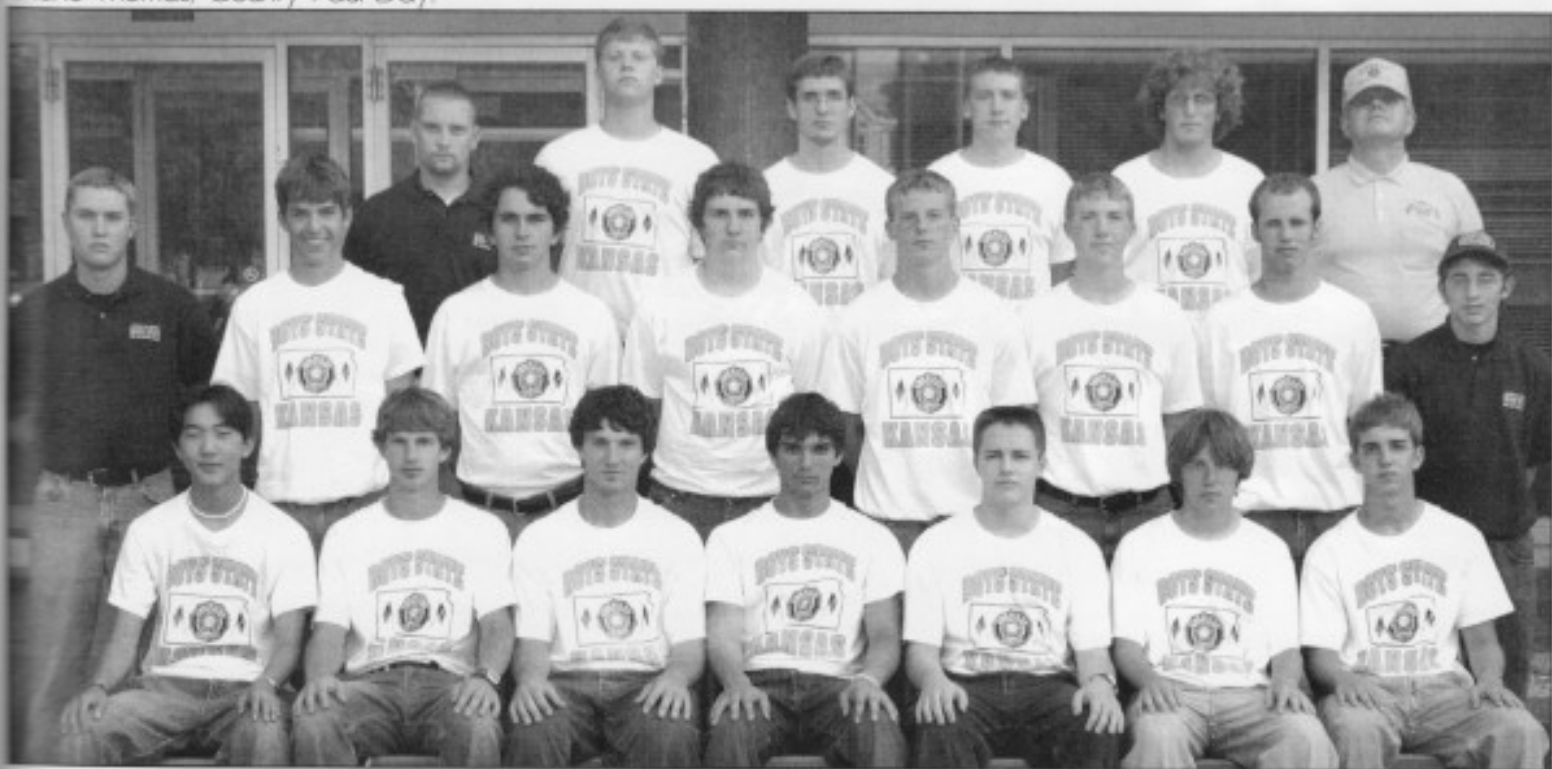
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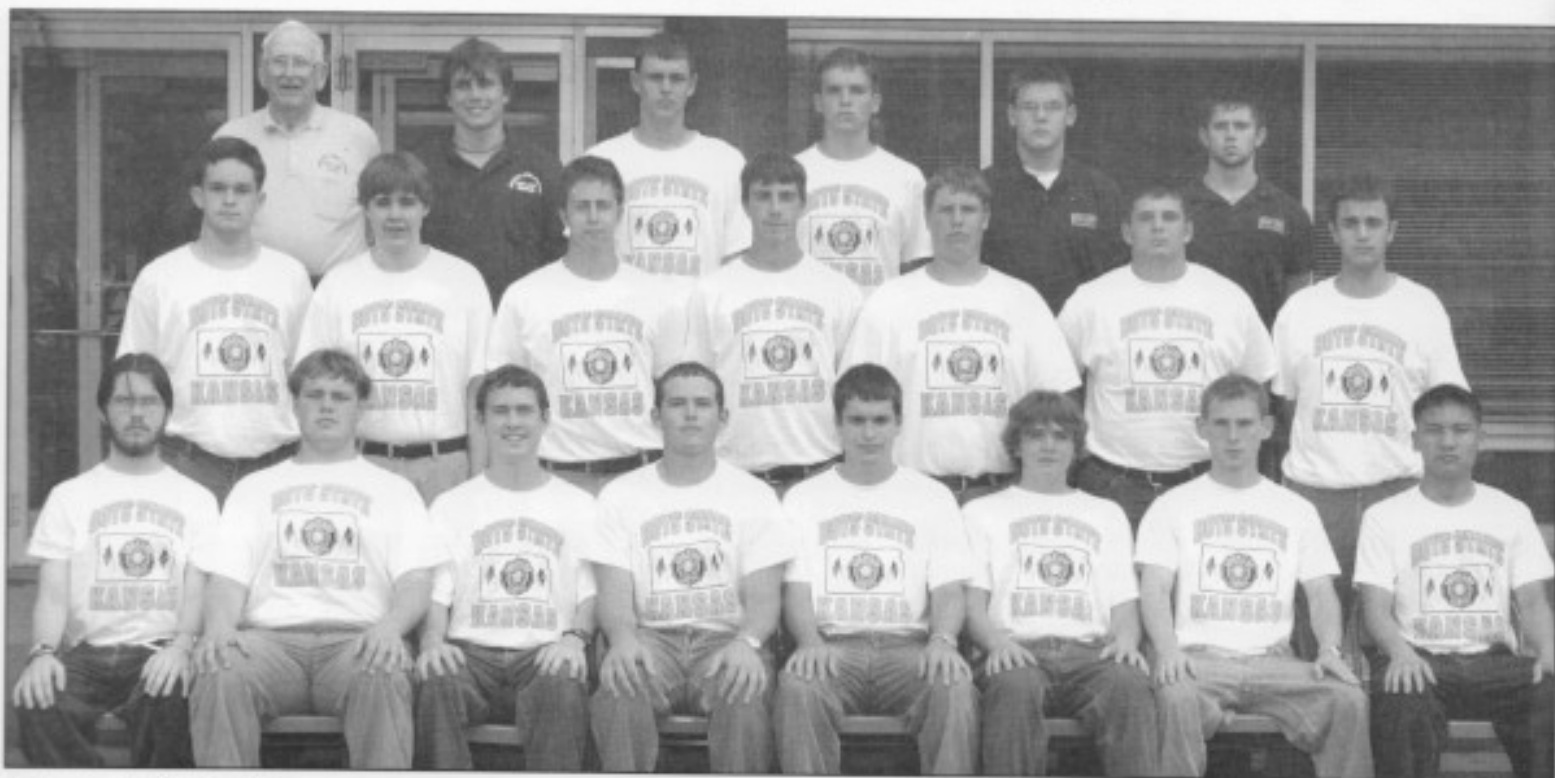
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These are the memories that you created over one week in the summer of 2004.

You arrived at Kansas State University on Sunday, June 13th wondering what exactly to expect. Suddenly you were thrust into a high-paced, cooperative, and very involved program. The task of creating and maintaining a working government were placed in your hands. Hopefully through this program you were able to see exactly what kinds of decisions our society is faced with. Elected officials have the incredible task of creating legislation to protect their constituents' rights, while at the same time maintaining financial and social stability. One evident message of our program is that it is not easy to be a leader. We hope that you not only found opportunities for great success, but that you also faced the chore of over-

coming a sound defeat. It is in these instances where a leader proves his worth, and you have undoubtedly taken this message from The American Legion Boys' State of Kansas.

So it is up to you, and you alone, to overcome the failures and struggles that life will present you. Democracy, the most effective form of government, is dependent on involvement. We are taking for granted that you will certainly be involved, but we challenge you not only to become involved but also to become a leader, that extra step beyond simple participation, within your communities.

Democracy is not limited to the realms of Topeka and Washington. Democracy exists in your homes, schools, congregations, and workplaces. There will be times in your life when you will be faced with a situation that you do not agree with or that you feel is unfair to you or someone you know. As difficult as it may seem, it is not only your right but your responsibility to use the knowledge and skills you gained from our program to help yourself and your fellow citizens do the right thing.

No matter what you think about what has happened in the past, or even what is happening now, you have the opportunity to change the future, and that is what is great about America. In a very short time a couple hundred years' worth of progress will be handed to you. What will you do with it? Will you be content to stand still? Will you move forward? The decision is up to you.

Serve your community and serve it well. We wish you the best of luck in your endeavors, and we hope that the American Legion Boys' State of Kansas helped you along the way.

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