

# WHO'S WHO IN THE SENIOR CLASS?

## STEVE KLIPPENSTEIN

Steve Klippenstein, a big good-looking guy with dark hair parted down the middle, comes across as a tough dude. In spite of his "Mr. Cool" act, he likes relating to people on more than just a surface level.

When asked what he'd do differently if he could start ninth grade over again, Steve snickered and immediately replied, "I wish I had started ninth grade twenty pounds lighter."

Seeing Steve now shows how self-disciplined he has been. A solid, trim boy, Steve works out every other day for an hour and a half lifting weights. At times he has even drunk raw eggs, which he claims contain protein to help build muscle fiber. He works hard to keep in shape, and is well rewarded for his effort.

Steve never impresses you as one having a great love for homework. He would far rather work in the shop repairing a motorcycle or building a barbecue pit.

Being interested in carpentry, Steve plans on going to the Kelsey Institute of Applied Arts and Sciences, a technology institute in Canada. He explains, "I'm going there because it offers what I like, it's cheap, and close to my parents." Steve readily admits, "I'm looking forward to the good old western society. After four years in the Orient, it will be a welcomed change."

Steve, as a preschooler, lived two years in Nigeria, Africa, where his parents taught in a training school for nationals. Steve declares he was too young to remember those days.

He came to Dalat as a ninth grader, and found it hard to adjust to his new life. Reminiscing, he stated, "I'm not a stereotyped Dalat person." His interests broadened as he spent time with Australian friends.

Steve is not an easy person to get to know but if you will take the time to befriend him, you'll find a guy full of fun and wit, someone who will open up and confide in you.

...by Martie Miner

## HELEN GIBBONS

Conscientious Helen Gibbons carries responsibility well. The attention she pays to her wavy dark blonde hair exemplifies her preciseness concerning the minutest details of everything. Although she does not act as crazy as the majority of the senior girls, Helen does like to have fun. She comments, "I tend to be more quiet, but when I'm loud, I'm loud!" Not very outgoing, she can't come up to someone she doesn't know very well and talk for hours on end, especially if it's a guy.

Being very vague about what kind of people she liked, Helen was very emphatic about her dislikes. "People who gripe about rules are dumb!" she stated. She also doesn't think too much of those who won't lower themselves to talk to younger kids. Kids who like to tease but don't know when to stop really get on her nerves.

She likes being a homemaker and is highly skilled when it comes to sewing and cooking. She enjoys the ~~fringe~~ and enjoys cutting hair--if the owner is not too demanding.

Proud of her field of Irian Jaya, Helen plans to work as a bookkeeper at the MK school in Sentani for a year after graduation. She's looking forward to no homework for a year but is scared of the responsibilities her job will bring. It will also give her added experience for her future career.

Helen sees the active missions program of St. Paul Bible College as the place where she wants to get her training for being a missionary. She's uncertain of the exact kind of missionary work she'd like to do but she'd prefer being involved with children.

With a slightly embarrassed laugh, but with anticipation sparkling in her green eyes, she asserted that she was definitely looking forward to meeting new guys in the States. More seriously she added that she couldn't wait to get into the Stateside environment.

If she could go back in time and change different things about her three years at Dalat, Helen emphatically declared that she'd scratch ninth grade and do it all over again. She wouldn't change anything about her junior and senior years, though, because she ~~thoroughly enjoyed~~ them. She loved working on the JSB, and she considers it fun being a senior and being among the oldest kids on campus. Helen thinks the senior year is the best.

...by Becky Kuhns

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ESTHER SAHLBERG

Petite Esther Sahlberg, better known as Nong, is a girl with lots of drive and determination. A highly disciplined person, she has provided leadership as Student Council president and has been near the top of her class scholastically.

Nong has spent most of her school years at Dalat. When asked what she thought about her years here, she thought a minute and then answered, "I had lots of fun as a little kid. I've had worthwhile friendships and I think they have helped me to grow." Her best times were her junior and senior years.

After spending eight years at Dalat, Nong is excited about heading back to her home state of Florida, to have new experiences and meet new guys. Her choice of the University of South Florida provides opportunity for her to take the courses she needs for her medical career.

When asked what kind of people she liked, she quickly answered, "Curly-haired guys." She went on to say that she likes people who are different from her.

Because of her quiet, serious manner, she seems difficult to get to know. But, once you do, you find a kind, caring, fun-loving person, a really "neat" friend.

. . . by Betty Lou Pratt

MARK BROMLEY

Whose name comes to mind when you think of computers? Of course, Mark Bromley, alias "Hare." You could often find him in the library working on school work, in his room reading a book, or on the ball field playing soccer. Like most "abo's" he enjoyed soccer and was on the varsity team.

Mark, a wizz at math, gladly offered to help whenever anyone didn't understand his homework. He's the only senior to graduate from Dalat School who has won a National Merit Scholarship. Because it could be used only at Hope College, Mark has not accepted it but will be attending Johns Hopkins University in Maryland. Out of 3300 applicants, Mark received one of the 560 places open in the freshman class.

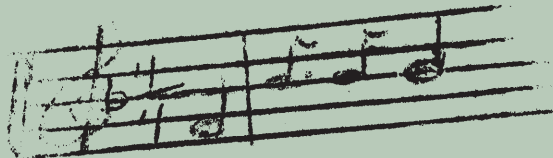
Although most people thought Mark was quiet and didn't talk much, he voiced his opinions often and liked a good argument. Many felt he'd made a good lawyer. His chief pet peeve was about the name laundry.

Many people thought Mark was reserved. If you weren't close to him and didn't really know him, this was the impression that he gave you. To his friends he was very open and friendly.

He was knowledgeable in many subject areas and could contribute to almost any classroom discussion.

Mark, an outstanding student, has always had high goals for himself. Whether in school or on the soccer field, Mark was out to win.

. . . by Tim Latimer



IVY KAMPHAUSEN

If you hear a hearty "Hi" shouted across campus, you can be certain it came from the direction of Ivy Kamphausen, more commonly known as Jivin'. The nickname Jivin' readily hints at many aspects of her personality. A warm, cheery smile greets all. If a loud cheer needs to be led at a basketball game, the cheerleaders usually recruit Jivin'. Ivy tries to make the most of each situation, refusing to complain, thus making her a pleasant companion. If not permitted to do something, she scrunches up her nose, sighs, "Oh well..." and seeks other amusements.

When asked what she likes to do most, Ivy quickly and definitely replied, "Flirt!" She often can be found surrounded by several fellows. Her big mischievous eyes light up as she teasingly pinches their cheeks and tells them how cute they are. Flirting for Ivy means being involved with people. Laughing with girls produces just as much satisfaction. She sincerely relishes meeting and getting to know new people. Her genuine interest in each person is reflected in her willingness to "do" for others. Appreciation for Ivy increases as she voluntarily makes fudge for the guys, gives backrubs, pacifies a screaming baby, or helps out in crafts club.

Ivy enjoys people who are concerned about others and can relate to them. She appreciates those who know how to have a fun time, especially those who suggest creative and imaginative activities.

This year Ivy has participated in many singing groups as well as sung several solos for church. The possibility of being in a gospel outreach group in the future becomes a feasible option because of a growing confidence in her musical abilities.

Ivy has been accepted at Kings College near New York City and plans to become a physical therapist. She chose Kings because it was one of the few Christian colleges that offered a physical therapy program. The geographical location and rural campus also influenced Ivy's final decision. Ivy anticipates her return to the United States after graduation because she'll have an even greater opportunity to meet new people.

. . . by Ellen Sawyer

Cindy Rudes, a blonde, cheerful senior, enjoys life to the fullest. When asked where she wanted to go to college, Cindy unhesitatingly replied, "Houghton." When asked why she chose Houghton, she flashed a smile that became increasingly larger, "Well, I know some people there ...and I've been there too."

Cindy's love of the Orient, especially her home country, Indonesia, won't keep her in the U.S. for long. She doesn't feel she could be content living in the U.S. for the rest of her life.

Cindy wants to be an elementary teacher, preferably teaching grades five and six. If possible, she would like to work in an M.K. school. If that's not possible, she would like to be a field missionary.

Cindy is the friendly type that enjoys meeting new people. She's looking forward to the change college will bring and the freedom to make her own decisions.

Although she's looking forward to the U.S. and the beginning of a new life there, she states that she will miss Dalat—mainly her classmates and the other kids that she knows well.

Cindy, nearly always bubbling with humor, dislikes people who don't have a sense of humor. When in an argument generalizations will provoke her.

If she had a chance, Cindy would relive her ninth and tenth grade years. "I'd be more outgoing," she states definitely.

Cindy likes all animals, but dogs are her favorite. She has a pet German Shepard by the name of Shep in Indonesia.

When asked about the kind of people she likes, she laughed, "I like tall people, especially guys."

Cindy, without the use of her arms and hands, would find it difficult to express herself. Her sense of humor and cheerfulness makes her a fun person to be around.

. . . by Beth Anne Irwin

Tall, curly-headed Ian Ashley McVea is one of the few students with a natural afro. He is well known for his knowledge of a wide range of subjects. With a flair for words, he can always respond with a clever remark. Most of these are directed at girls. He admits, though, that girls are all right and that he likes to flirt.

Born in Bombay, India, Ian has lived most of his life in Southeast Asia, including Viet Nam, Malaysia, and Thailand. Currently his parents work in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

Although he is a British citizen and hails from Northern Ireland, Ian wants to attend college in the United States. A missionary aviation career is in Ian's thinking. He hopes to be accepted at Christian Heritage College in California where he can receive Bible and aviation training.

With a great sense of humor, Ian is always coming up with a funny remark, while keeping a deadpan face himself.

Ian has a lot of talent in music and drama. Whether singing a solo or playing a lead part, it seems to come naturally to him. Whether wearing a fancy dress coat and mirror "shades" or his goalie uniform and gloves, Ian fits the part of a "cool" dude.

. . . by Dan Lewis

## ELLEN SAWYER

Who is the senior girl with shiny blonde hair, athletic ability, and a boisterous laugh? That's Ellen Sawyer.

Hard working, Ellen is a particular person. This can be seen in the way she dresses and the way she disciplines herself in doing her school work. She likes to be organized and have set goals. She dislikes messy people with wishy-washy minds.

When asked why she chose Wheaton College, Ellen replied, "I'm familiar with the surroundings and people and I like the high academic level."

Ellen is not sure what she is going to do for a career but she is thinking about something in medicine, probably a doctor.

Ellen was born in Ohio but before she was one her parents returned to Laos where they served as missionaries for 25 years. Now their home is in Hong Kong.

Ellen has attended Dalat School since second grade, missing grades one, six, ten, and eleven for furlough. During her first years of high school Ellen felt insecure and followed the crowd but she states, "I wouldn't want to change anything because I couldn't have learned the things I did if I didn't experience them."

A very independent person, Ellen is looking forward to going to the States. There she wants to learn her limitations and thus regulate her own life. She also enjoys others who are independent and self-confident.

. . . by Debbie Josephse

Fun-loving photography buff Robert Schilling has attended Dalat School since the sixth grade. Of his time here, he said he liked it, especially the people. If given the chance, though, he would change the hair regulations, a common target for complaints at Dalat.

Bob does not enjoy talking about himself, preferring to remain laconic and on the reserved side. He is proud of his Canadian and German heritage. Bob likes living overseas because of his exposure to a different culture and to different people, and because you appreciate the place you come from more once you get back.

Cheerful, easy-going Bob is known for his love of animals and photography. He describes himself as an ambivert, sometimes feeling very outgoing but at other times preferring to be alone.

In these quiet moments, Bob enjoys listening to music, preferably rock and roll choosing from his 104 cassette tapes. Bob occupies his spare time with his favorite hobby-photography. He has taken hundreds of pictures, both for journalism class and personal purposes.

Bob plans to study electronics engineering in a technical school in Canada, his homeland. The prospect of returning to Canada after 10 years in Indonesia and Singapore worries him because he feels he does not know anything about Canada, or about the people there.

. . . by Melanie Shelby

TOM BOZEMAN

Good-looking Tom Bozeman with long eyelashes and a beautiful smile has a way with "chicks." He never lacks for a girlfriend.

In Irian Jaya, where Tom grew up, he learned to rough it with the native people. This involved hunting, hiking, and camping.

Tom will probably attend Toccoa Falls College after he graduates. One of the reasons that he chose Toccoa was because it has a good soccer team. Tom hopes that some day he will be able to play professional soccer. If for some reason he doesn't make the pro's in soccer he is interested in taking a flight training course and getting his pilot's licence.

Athletic Tom always made the first string in whatever sport he went out for. In his senior year he was chosen team captain for the soccer, volleyball, and basketball teams.

When Tom was asked what he'd change if he had the chance to start high school over again, he said, "I wouldn't have been so rebellious and would have tried to make better grades.

Tom, whose home state is Florida is looking forward to returning to the States so that he can meet new people and get a good job.

. . . by Jon Eckman

JOY ANDERSON

Joy Anderson has commented, "It's kind of hard living up to my name." Many, however, see her with a ready smile and a song for all occasions. Her enthusiastic spirit and willingness to help out finds her with more than she can manage to find time to do. With her Afro hairdo, she'll long be remembered for her mammy role in the 1977 JSB.

Joy has lived twelve of her seventeen years on the mission field - seven in India and five in Indonesia. She prefers Texas, her home state, above India and Indonesia.

After graduation Joy plans to return to the States and get a job. She feels that she needs to get to know the States and what people really are like there. After working for a year, she wants to go to an Assembly of God college.

Joy's first love is music. She sings and plays her guitar whenever she gets the chance. Reading and photography are other hobbies that keep her occupied. Historical novels are among Joy's favorite books.

Joy likes people, especially those who are fun-loving and easy to talk to. Anyone who shoves their opinions down others' throats or think they know it all are definitely not Joy's favorite people. No matter how much she likes people, she still enjoys being alone once in awhile. Leaving the city and living like a pioneer is Joy's ideal for true relaxation.

When asked if she was a perfectionist, Joy laughed then added, "The only thing I'm particular about is my singing." Time spent in singing overrules all her other pastimes. Joy plans to enter a teen talent show when she returns to the States. But no matter where she goes, she wants God to be first in everything.

. . . by Connie Seaward



## CINDY ELLENBERGER

Enthusiastic, short, and argumentative are good words to describe Cindy Ellenberger, an "abo" from Irian Jaya. Cindy's Afro hairdo inspired Rob Rexilius to nickname her "Scruffy;" which stuck because it suits her personality as well as her hair. Her bouncing, peppy walk betrays her involvement with cheerleading, one of several hobbies including playing the flute, leading, and trying new, fun things like growing long, long fingernails. Cindy's wide blue eyes twinkle mischievously as she talks about her favorite things--among them big earrings, makeup, and olives. Intelligent, outgoing, and uncritical people are those Scruffy feels closest to, while picky, ingratiating people annoy her.

Scruffy describes her three years at Dalat as "a learning process," commenting "I've really learned to love this place." When asked what she would have changed about her years here, if given the chance, she mused, "I would have tried to forget about what others think, let people know I cared more for them, and I think I would have been more interested in and helpful to others."

Scruffy reasons that going to the U.S., for her at least, is primarily to go to college and get a job. "Besides, it's the thing to do-- there's nothing calling me or anything," she remarked. Her college plans include attending Nyack College in New York and taking a liberal arts program to help her decide on a career. At the moment she prefers a people-oriented career, definitely not machine or data-oriented. Scruffy chose Nyack because "my parents may be there next year, it's near Chris, and I know the Lord wants me there."

. . . by Melanie Shelby

## DOUG SUNDA

Loud, outgoing Doug Sunda, better known as "Horse", enjoys being around lively and prankish people! Being a leader, Doug could easily sway others to help him in his mischievous deeds. He stands 6' 2" and acquired the nickname "Horse" because of his lankiness. Doug's long legs are an asset when it comes to playing basketball,, his favorite sport. For Doug, basketball and other sports had priority over his school work.

Doug was born in Pensacola, Florida, but has lived most of his life as an "abo" in Irian Jaya. Preferring to wear a tank top and cut offs, Doug is often seen riding a motorbike or kicking a soccer ball. He also enjoys hiking over the mountains of Irian Jaya.

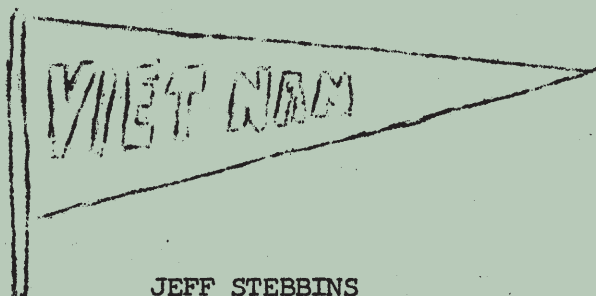


Doug is easy to get along with and is comfortable in large crowds. He likes to be around good-looking girls and sticks with tough guys. Besides people, Doug loves dogs, especially his own German Shepard.

Doug is planning to attend Asbury College for his first year back in the States because he has friends there and it is relatively close to his home. Having been raised on the mission field where fixing motors yourself is essential, Doug has developed an interest in mechanics and is planning to become a mechanical engineer.

Doug should easily adapt to life in the States and have no problem making friends wherever he goes.

. . . by Thomas Bozeman



JEFF STEBBINS

Serious-minded Jeff Stebbins, born and raised in Viet-Nam, is a formidable person with his 6' 3" height and 200 lb. Being the largest one in his class since first grade, Jeff sometimes won his way with his physical size.

Early in life Jeff developed a mind of his own. Widely read and capable of standing his ground, he can easily discuss almost any issue.

Jeff had rough freshman and sophomore years. These hard times, however, led him to Christ at the end of his sophomore year.

In September, Jeff is planning to attend Trinity College near Chicago. When asked why, he replied, "Well, I have a good friend there named Beth, and I also think it's a good Christian liberal arts school."

Jeff, with a flair for writing, took extra English courses in his ninth and eleventh grades. These extra courses allowed Jeff to meet graduation requirements by December of 1977. He then remained in Hong Kong until leaving for the U.S. in April. Jeff is presently working at a Navigators' ranch in Colorado.

Jeff likes Viet Nam, Southern country music, and photography. When it comes to photography, Jeff always has some good advice to give and some good pictures to show. One of his vacation jobs at the Hilton Hotel in Hong Kong provided an opportunity to expand his skill and interest.

Jeff loves Viet Nam. In fact, his love for the Vietnamese peoples is so strong that he dreams of returning someday as a missionary, making Viet Nam his home.

. . . by John Stebbins

## JANET BOUW

Friendly, blonde-haired Janet Bouw is well known for her humorous puns. Her optimistic outlook on life keeps her in good spirits even when late for classes and loaded with homework. A lover of music, Janet can often be heard serenading her classmates. In choir her strong soprano voice singles out the melody.

Although she likes easy-going, good-natured people best, Janet enjoys being with a variety of people. She likes exchanging ideas on many subjects and can often be found in rapt conversation, lending a sympathetic ear to someone's woes or joys.

Among Janet's many hobbies and interests, her favorites are collecting stamps, collecting junk, and acting in drama club. Janet's collection include anything from party napkins to antiques which she puts in her hope chest or keeps for their sentimental value. In drama club Janet's talent contributes a great deal in making the annual plays a success.

Although Janet presently lacks the dignity that is usually associated with being a doctor, she hopes for a medical career. This fall she plans to enter Houghton College. She chose Houghton because of its good pre-med courses and because of the state aid that would be available to her there. After finishing medical school, Janet also wants to get some Bible training. She says, "I want to help people spiritually as well as physically." Her long range plan is to become a missionary doctor, perhaps in the Philippines, her home field.

. . . by Marilyn Johnson

## DALE COLLINS

Dale Collins, new to Dalat this year, is easily recognized by his hurried and determined walk. Born in Dalat, Viet Nam, Dale lived there with his parents for five years before seeing Canada, his home country. Moving to Australia during his freshman year was quite a learning experience for Dale. Looking back, he now realizes he should have worked harder in school and messed around less.

Dale talked enthusiastically about his pastimes. Surfing is definitely his favorite, with hunting as a close second. His notorious reputation for flirting has often gotten him into trouble. "People always seem to be pairing me up with different girls."

Dale describes himself as being rather idealistic. He doesn't like to see people being pushed around. "I'm very loyal to my friends. If someone is in trouble, I will do all I can do to help." He jokes, "I'm a violent little cuss!" Dale is a hard person to get to know. "It's hard for me to completely trust people." He also does not like to be dominated and has a hard time accepting rules.

Dale likes people who are willing to be themselves without worrying about covering up their faults. He admires honesty in people and people who can stand on their own two feet. People who cut down others to build up their own self-image really bug Dale. He can't stand two-faced people or those who cower to other people's opinions.

Dale looks forward to finishing high-school and joining the Royal Canadian Air Force. "It will take care of all my needs and give me a good future." He doesn't ask much out of life. He added, "All I want is a nice house, a pretty wife, three sons (daughters are optional) and a good job."

. . . by Jill Sutherland

## JON RASH

Brown-haired, blue-eyed, muscular, and well-built describe 17-year-old Jon Rash. For Jon, living overseas is a new experience after having spent his first 15 years in his home state of California. Going to a Christian school, however, is not a new way of life for him. Jon attended a small Christian high school in northern California. He said that he had more fun there and was more outgoing than he is at Dalat.

At the age of two, Jon was the youngest person ever to survive open heart surgery. Since then, trips to the doctor have been frequent. Being accident prone, he has had many different injuries. One that he remembers vividly is breaking his arm when falling off a horse in fourth grade. His propensity for accidents carried through to his Dalat days where he jammed his knee and was out of sports for the first semester.

Mischievous Jon related, "I was a dangerous 12-year-old when it came to matches." He then told about getting on fire a 75-acre forest.

When asked what he likes to do, he remarked, "Oh yes, how could I forget! I love to draw." Jon hasn't had much time to develop this ability here at Dalat but when he doesn't have too much homework, someone at the hostel can usually talk him into doing a sketch for them. Playing the drums is also a hobby of Jon's. His only regret is that he can't play them as well as he would like.

American football, weight lifting, and motorcycle riding are all favorite sports of Jon's. When it comes to relating to people, he says, "I prefer the rowdier kids." He dislikes those who are two-faced or who try to force their ways on him. "But," he says, "I can get along pretty well with anyone." That is one reason why he has chosen police work for his future occupation. He plans to attend San Jose State University this fall and then transfer to Metropolitan State College in Denver, Colorado, next year. Eventually he hopes to become a detective. Jon added, "I would like to help society and help the city where I live to become a better place."

. . . by Joy Anderson

## MELANIE SHELBY

Petite Melanie Shelby, with dark shoulder length hair and big brown dancing eyes, is alert to all of life. Her kindness and courteous manner enables her to make friends easily. She describes herself as more of an extrovert than an introvert.

Melanie, labled by her fellow students as teacher's pet, wouldn't have changed anything of her last two years at Dalat. At times she has felt out of it by not living in the dorm. She feels her years at Dalat have helped her to talk more easily with people.

Living in Malaysia for eleven of her seventeen years, Melanie feels she is more tolerant of people after adjusting to people of different cultures. One disadvantage of living overseas, she feels, will be adjusting to college.

Melanie, an active cheerleader, enjoys sewing, reading, playing the piano, and typing just for the fun of it.

Melanie, with a real concern for people and how they feel, plans to major in psychology and work with people. She likes uninhibited people, but disdains people who overdo something "funny."

Melanie will be attending Southern Illinois University in her home state. She is looking forward to being on her own, living in the dorm, as well as living close to home, while having a scholarship to the school. When asked how she felt about returning to the states after having been overseas for four years, she replied, "I'm scared but I'm looking forward to it at the same time." She feels apprehensive about making adjustments socially, and those long confusing registration lines worry her.

. . . by Helen Gibbons

## BECKI UNDHEIM

Who's the "chick" with every hair in place and every wrinkle carefully pressed out? Why it's Becki Undheim, a gal that loves to be rambunctious and rowdy, and have lots of fun. However, when she's embarrassed, she pinches her nose and giggles.

A native of Thailand, she has gone to Dalat School since first grade. Her determination motivates her to excel and be tops in whatever she does, whether it's sewing, sports or schoolwork.

Becki plans on going to Biola College in California because it's a Christian liberal arts college that offers all the courses she wants and her sister lives in the area.

When asked what she looks forward to most after getting out on her own, she gets a sparkle in her eye and exclaims, "A change in life-style," then with a giggle of excitement she continues, "shopping malls, sweet tarts, just everything!"

Becki likes well-versed people who are cheerful, fun-loving, and like to laugh but can still sit down and talk seriously. She can't stand people who always complain, especially when it's about this school or its rules.

Reflecting on her rebellious freshman year, she commented, choosing her words with great care, "Even though ninth grade was a difficult year, I'm glad I went through it because I might not have learned any other way. It's good to see how much I've changed from my first year in high school."

Becki's not definite about her career choice but she's interested in business administration, medicine or some kind of work with animals.

. . . by Cari Laird