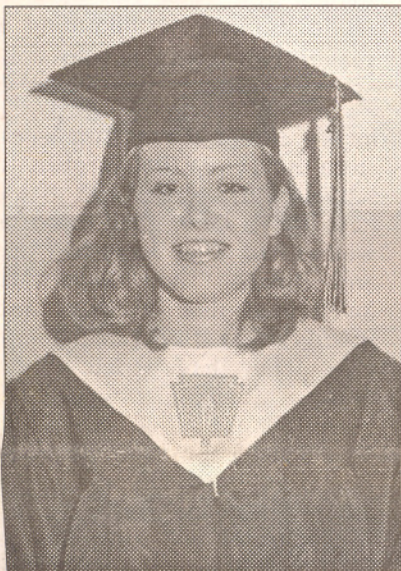


# Class of 2000 Graduation Ceremonies Held Sunday



**Katie Barnhart**  
Valedictorian

Sunday marked the final day for seniors at Maries R-I High School as 33 students received their long-awaited diplomas.

The Maries R-I Band played "Pomp and Circumstance" as the 33 seniors marched down the aisle to take their seats.

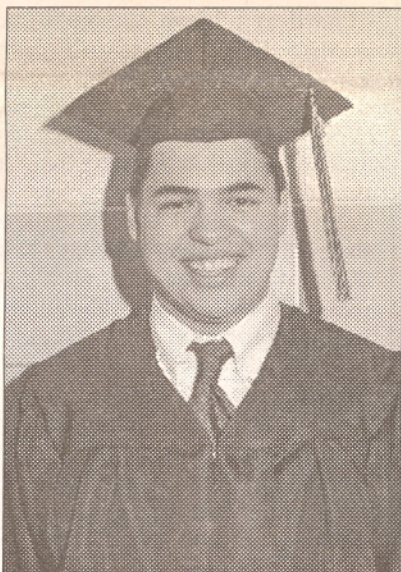
The Invocation was led by Rev. Karen Alden of the United Methodist/Rader Church. Dr. Pamela Sells, superintendent, welcomed everyone to the graduation ceremony. A video presentation, featuring the Class of 2000, was shown to the crowd.

The featured speaker was foreign exchange student Lex Heldens. Heldens said when he found out he was coming to Vienna for his exchange program, he had to look at three maps before he ever found it. He said he would carry fond memories of Vienna High School with him, "especially the

cheerleaders," which he said with thumbs up. Heldens had presented each senior with wooden shoe pins, which they wore on their graduation gowns that evening.

Following Heldens' speech, the senior class choir sang "I Will Remember You."

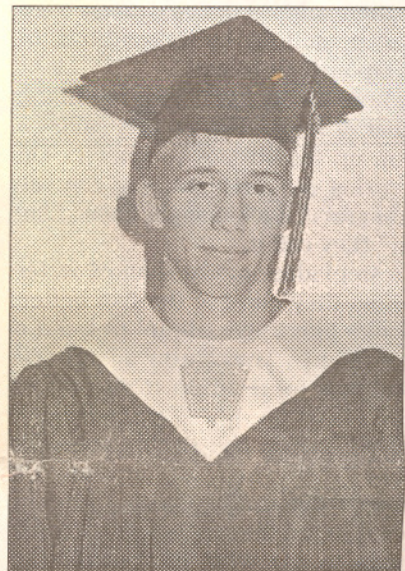
High School Principal Don Fields then introduced this year's Valedictorian and



**Lex Heldens**  
Foreign Exchange Student

Salutatorian. The Valedictorian was Katie Barnhart, daughter of John and Colleen Barnhart and the Salutatorian was William Rowden, son of Donald and Peggy Rowden.

Senior class sponsor Pam James recognized parents and Fields then presented the senior class. Dr. Sells read each seniors' names while board president Joe



**William Rowden**  
Salutatorian

Weidinger presented the diplomas.

The Maries R-I Band then played "Memory" and Rev. Alden provided the closing prayer.

The Top Ten students of the Class of 2000 include Katie Barnhart, William Rowden, Kristina Davis, Brenda Franks, Amy Haller, Jessica Hayes, Erin Henderson, Tony James, Monica Slone and Kelly Steinman.

Senior class officers include: Jessica Hayes, president; Renee Wagner, vice-president; Monica Slone, secretary; Amy Haller, treasurer; and Kristina Davis and Tony James, student council representatives. Class sponsors are Pam James and Lois Shockley.

Members of the Class of 2000 include: Katie Elizabeth



# Class of 2000

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Barnhart, daughter of John and Colleen Barnhart; Korbey Dayton Canuto, son of Clair and Louise Bennett; John P. Carnes, son of Paula Cole; Kristina Lee Davis, daughter of Darrell and Toni Davis; Christina June Duby, daughter of Colleen Meloy; Brenda Jean Franks, daughter of Deborah Franks; Laura Eileen Glenn, daughter of Lewis and Karen Glenn;

Amy Sue Haller, daughter of David and Donna Haller; Jessica Erin Hayes, daughter of Mike and Donna Hayes; foreign exchange student Alexander "Lex" Marinus Heldens, son of Alex and Marianne Heldens, host parents Mitch and Bessie Land; Erin Irene Henderson, daughter of Loyal and Linda Henderson; Anthony Martin James, son of Brian and Becky James; Chad Parker James, son of Paul and Pam James; Candice

Danielle Johnson, daughter of Jeannie Freeman; Candace Hope Kleffner, daughter of Ted and Beverly Feeler;

Derrick Bernard Otto, son of Ernest and Beverly Otto; Nicole Lynn Reeves, daughter of Robert Reeves and Lois McCabe; Andrew Allan Rockhold, son of Timothy and Trudy Rockhold; Jason Charles Clark Rollins, son of Tracy Rollins and John Wayne Rollins; William Edward Rowden, son of Donald and Peggy Rowden;

Amanda Suezanne Scheulen, daughter of Bernard Scheulen and the late Julie Scheulen; Monica Renae Slone, daughter of Dwight and Rhonda Slone; Maria Cherylle Smith, daughter of Irid and Cheryle Weakly; Howard Dwight Snodgrass, son of Dwight and Debra Snodgrass; Emily Virginia Steinman, daughter of Jim and Mary Jane Steinman; Kelly Marie Steinman, daughter of Mike and Tina Steinman; Brandy Rae Travers, daughter of Jack and Beverly Oaker;

West Steven Via, son of Steven and Julie Via; Renee Ann Wagner, daughter of Clifford and Mary Wagner; Aaron Scott Webster, son of David Webster and Judy Webster; Martin Lee Wells, son of Denise and Mark Branch; Angela Christina Williams, daughter of Otto and Wanda Williams; and Ramey Gene Workman, son of Raymond and Kim Workman.