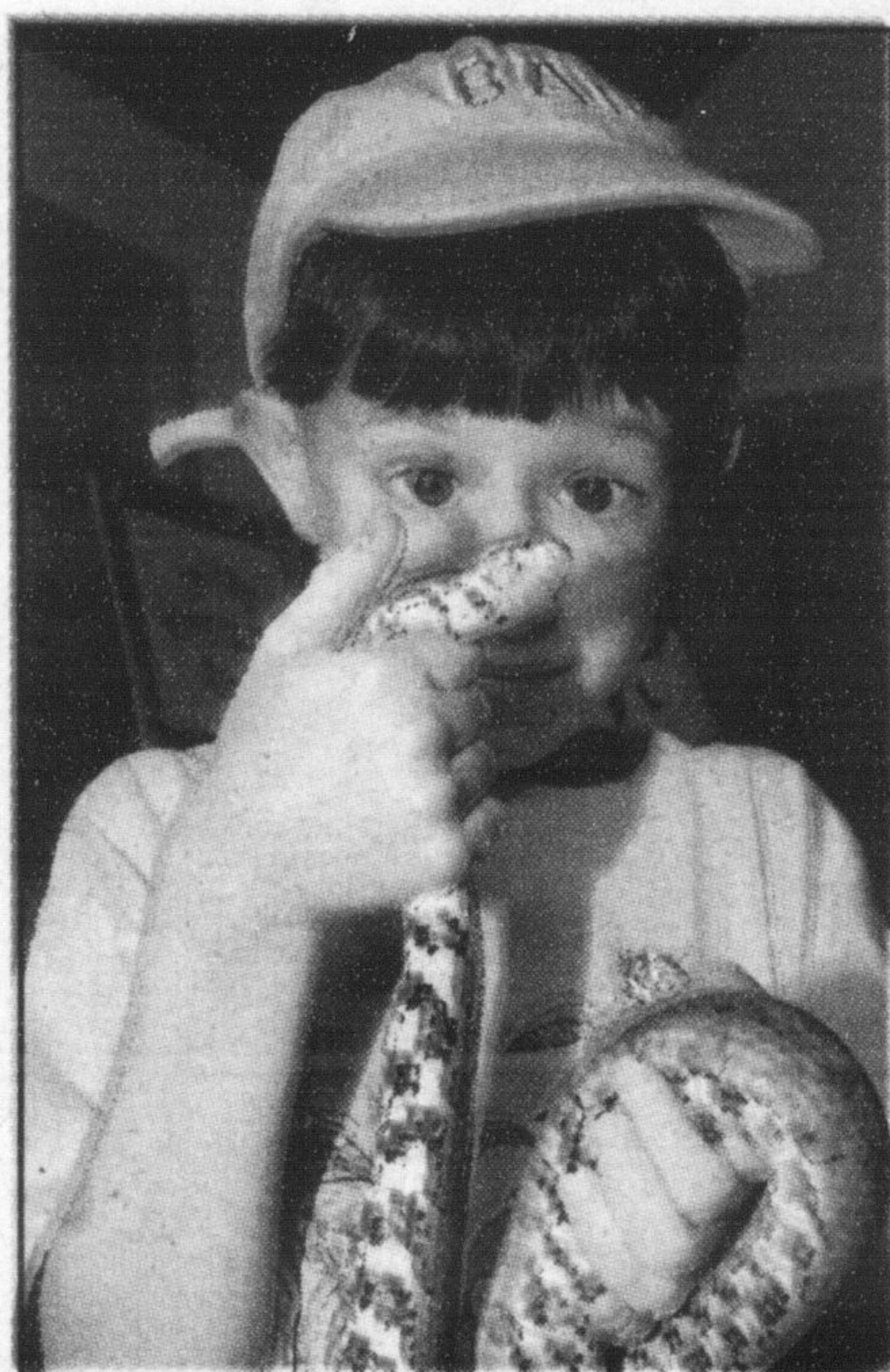
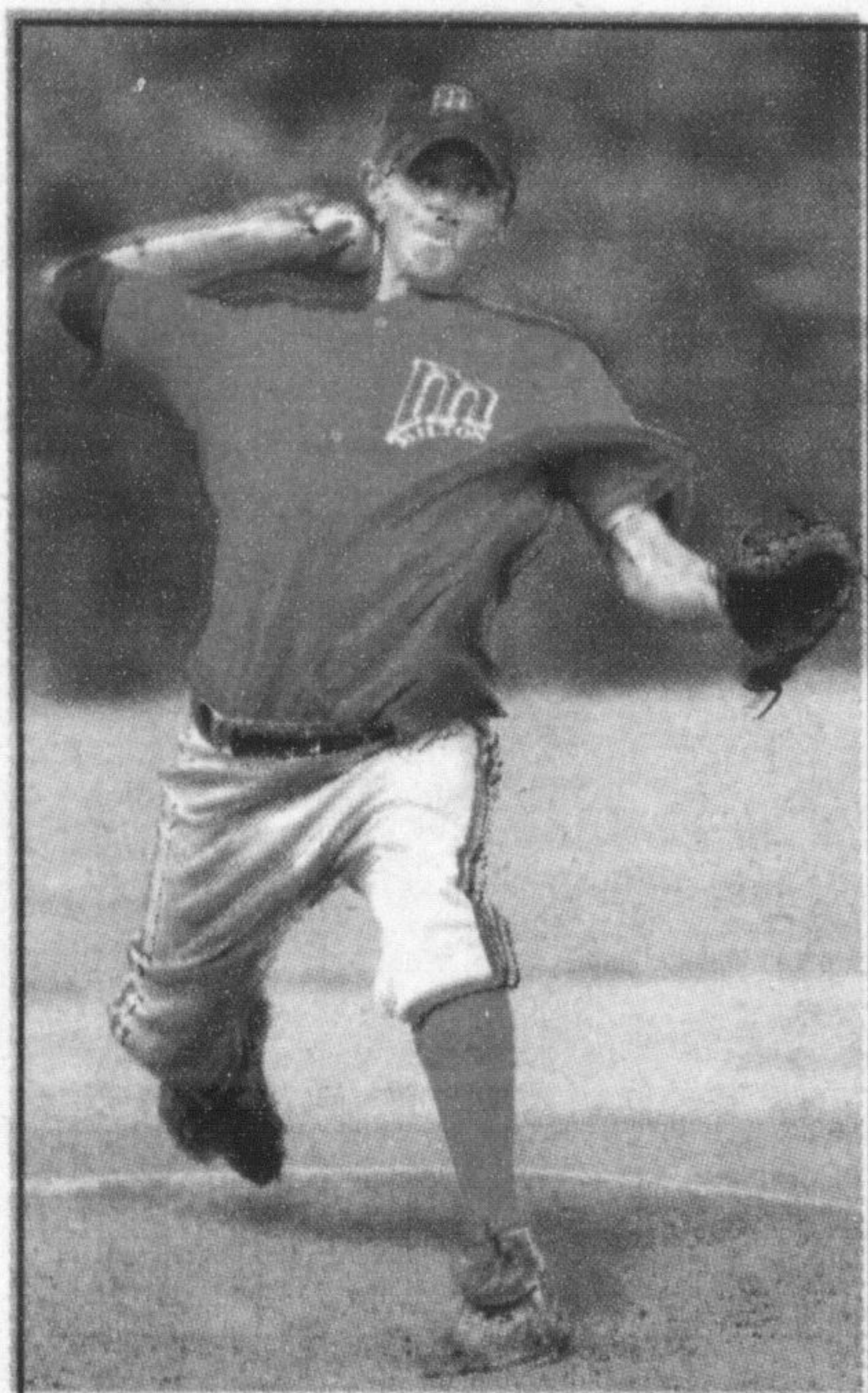
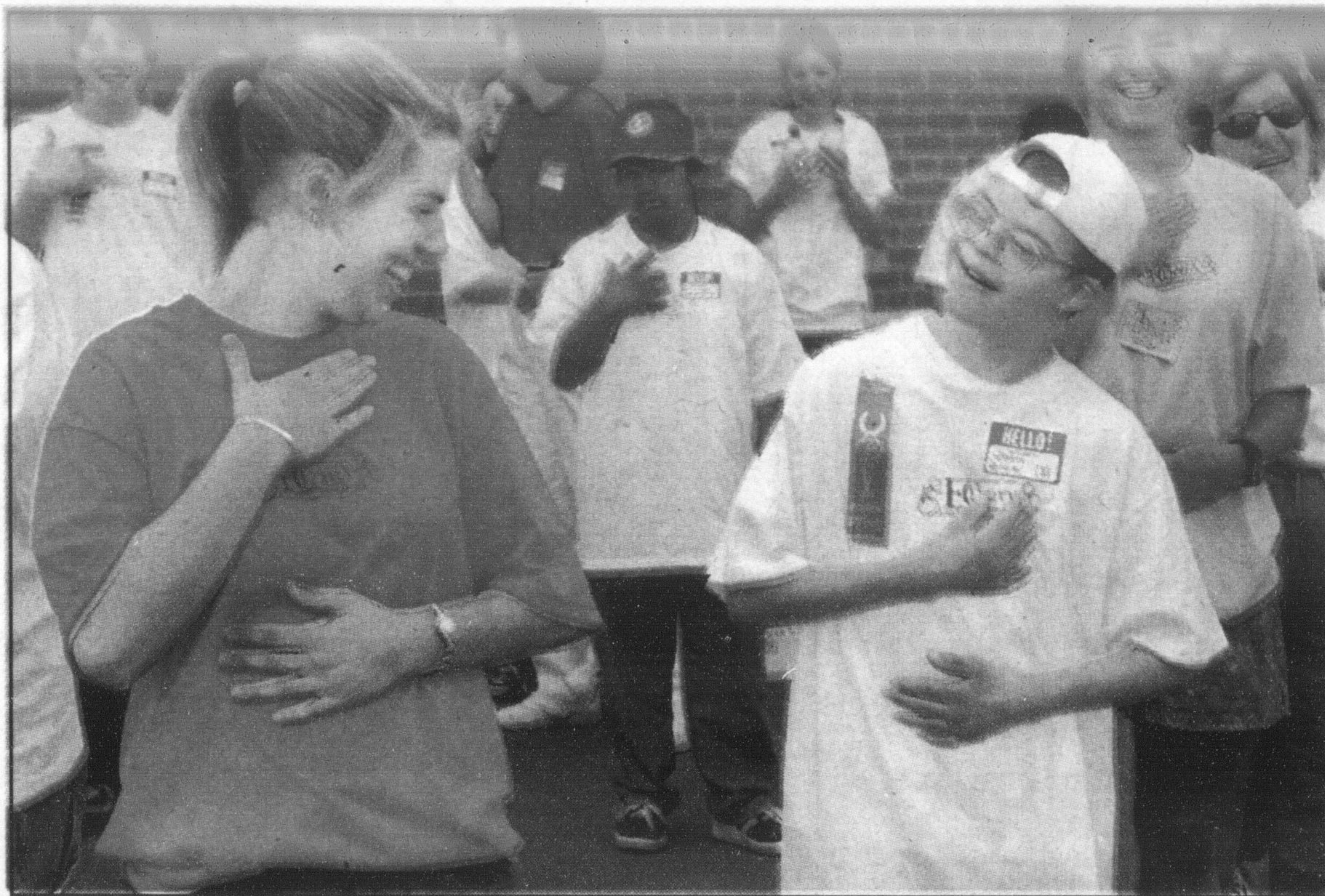


The year in pictures

*Some of our
favourite images
of 2000*



The Canadian Champion has compiled its favourite photos of the year gone by. At top, Energy Challenge leader Laura Batanoff is all smiles as she participates with competitor Josh Dick during warm-up exercises in the Special Olympics held at E.C. Drury High School. Above at left, Junior Red Sox starting pitcher Mike Grabauskas winds up for a pitch. The centre shot shows Lev Frid, 7, staring intently at a corn snake he got to handle during Reptile Days at Hilton Falls Conservation Area. Above right, the sky's the limit for BMX rider Mike Mills who's airborne in a jump at Lions Park. And at left, little hoppers Amy Lintack and Chelsea Gillespie grin as they show off their bunny ears.

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