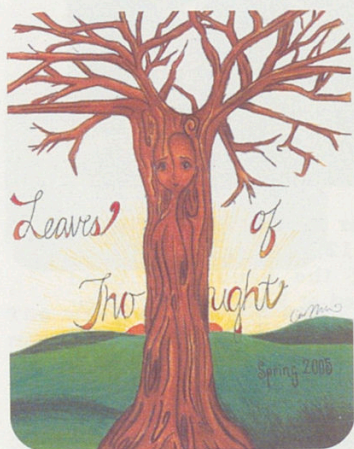




Leaves of Thought



The cover depicts ideas in the book. The cover was designed by **Mimi Kao, 12**, who also submitted poems. Many submitted poems and art for the book.

Each year another *Leaves of Thought* is published. **Ms. Allen** taught sophomore English Accelerated, English Seminar, and the creative writing class. Along with being an excentric and animated teacher, she is also the adviser of *Leaves of Thought*.

The club members work throughout the year, putting together an accomplishment of their work. **Ms. Allen** continues to stress the importance of the cover and how perfect it must be.

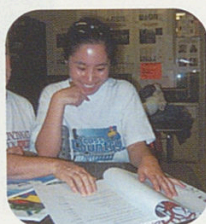
By: Anna Alemagno
and Elizabeth Crutcher

"I love to read the poetry written by fellow students," said **Anna Arrays, 11**.

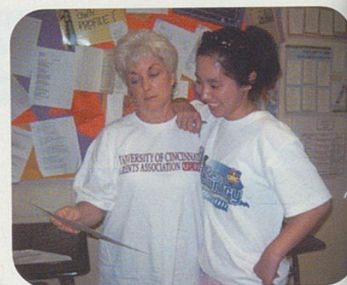
While being bombarded with possible covers, the students also work on their individual stories, poems, or short stories for their book.

While discussing different inspirations and a variety of topics, the students start journaling about their thoughts.

"At the end of the year it is nice to have the most memorable pieces from your classmates and yourself," said **Maggie Brown, 11**.



"It's really fun and I like everyone on it!" said **April Wang, 12**. Staffers enjoyed spending time writing and putting the book together. They had a common interest in mind of putting together a book of which they could be proud.



April Wang, 12, and Ms. Christy Allen consult about the cover. During the first week of May, the members of *Leaves of Thought* sold copies of their work during lunch. At school they were able to sell to the perfect audience. Both students and teachers purchased the work of their students and friends.



451 Book Club



By: Kelsey Kiley

Reading List

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time by Mark Haddon
Foundation by Isaac Asimov
Empire Falls by Richard Russo
Eragon by Christopher Paolini
Anthem by Ayn Rand
The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini

Readers

Sara Rashkin, 12,
Daniel Grosser, 11,
Charlotte Schaumans, 11,
Katie DeLong, 11,
Feana Krimerman, 11,
Samantha DeSilva, 11

Lots of people have complained about reading for English, history, or even their science classes. However, there were some special souls who joined 451 Book Club, sponsored by **Mr. Breen Reardon**.

"I really enjoy the casual atmosphere, the eclectic mix of books, and the intelligent discussions we get to have," said **Reardon**.

Named for the book *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury, the club was

started by **David Maher** and **Stephanie Suer**, 2002 graduates, and the leadership was passed down to **Sara Rashkin, 12**.

"I like the fact that with this club, you can analyze a book with a group and really go deeper into its content," said **Feana Krimerman, 11**.

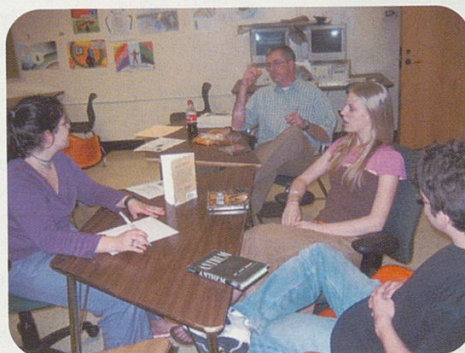
Meetings were on Tuesdays, where a lively discussion of the book read fired up the students, and the next book was chosen. The groups were usually small, but the readers were passionate.



What would 451 be without its loyal leader? **Mr. Breen Reardon** was an enthusiastic listener and an avid reader. He often encouraged his English classes to read the books chosen as well, even if they didn't have time for the meetings.



No one has a problem with listening to other ideas and feelings about the books, but be prepared to back them up! **Charlotte Schaumans, 11**, and **Daniel Grosser, 11**, were regulars in these discussions.



The meetings may have been small but **Sara Rashkin, 12**, **Charlotte Schaumans, 11**, and **Daniel Grosser, 11** made the best of it turning discussions into friendly conversation instead. The most important thing was to just enjoy reading.

