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Stephanie Kerin 11; Rick VanVoorden 12; Rachel Plocher 11; Charles Keller 9; Cassie Sherman 11; Gerami Hensen 12; Seniors in front of Homecoming float
Roll with the changes... and we did. Everywhere we looked, walls were being torn down and quickly rebuilt. Rooms were demolished, only to be replaced by newer, grayer versions. For the IRIS staff, there were fresh recruits and a new publisher. We were united by a common goal—the creation of the best possible yearbook. Our entire staff hopes that you enjoy and treasure this book.

Scott Brave

“"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was epoch of incredulity, it was the season of light, it was the season of darkness, it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of despair, we have everything before us, we had nothing before us...."

Tale of Two Cities

By Charles Dickens

Enormous reconstruction project: hammers, drills & hardhats

No more mustard-stained carpet: no more carpet

Cafeteria dishes out paper plates

iMACs installed in all classrooms

Homecoming Queen dumps dress for shiny platinum Wranglers

The Year

Grab your masks

David Wyse, 10, playfully mocks the concern of the administration during the asbestos removal project. The removal of the asbestos was just one small part of the massive facelift of the school.
Library makes move

No track means no home track meets

Code Red causes teachers’ lockdown

Seniors exchange Homecoming float for trolley

Fire lights up AG room

Extended Christmas vacation is credited to snow/sleet days
What Would You Say?

Question?

By the time senior year comes around, students have regrets concerning what they have missed out on or, unfortunately, did not miss out on. What do you regret the most or will miss the most about your high school tenure?

"I regret not trying as hard as I could have in the beginning of my high school career, but I do not regret all the good times I have had along the way. Those I will miss more than anything," Aaron Durbin, 12.

This is the end of the line—next stop?

& Seniors said

Geoff Siever, 12

College, what an evil word when one has not even finished high school. The thought of college dangled in the back of all the senior minds as the year progressed. They got over it and moved on to enjoy their last year. After all, it was not so bad being the elder classmen of the school—-for one more year at least.

Geoff had a memorable start to his senior year that he will never forget—or quit feeling for that matter. He explains, "I hurt my neck really bad playing football for the varsity team, and it felt weird walking around the halls with my shoulders shrugged just to hold up my head."

Grid iron moves Julie Capelle, 12, attempts to teach the varsity football team how to dance.
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On the bus
"I was exhausted, but then again I'm always exhausted when it comes to school," drones Shawn Harvick, 11

Upperclass
"It is great to be an upperclassman, but my schedule is very tough and time consuming," notes Ani Herzberg, 11

Junior year is a step closer to the real world

Life’s Trials

High school is a place where students consider the most important decisions of their lives, their career choices. Some students base their occupational choices on their hobbies and interests, while others are undecided. In any case, whether one is unsure or set in his plans, the future provides a wide range of opportunities.

"Just as I started singing someone cracked a joke. I started busting up laughing. I had a lot of awesome times at practice, and I will never forget any of them."

Kyle Ribbing, 11

"Homecoming week was great. I lost in the arm wrestling contest. I fell on my butt in the limbo contest, but hey, I only have another year to go."

Dena Tebbe, 11

The Play
"My costume needed some extra TLC," comments Leah Bennet, 11

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Friends and classmates Dustin Witt, 10; and Andrew Ernst, 10, enjoy Mrs. Martz's 60's day.

Construction
Shana Anderson, 10, must study next to a temporary wall while construction proceeds on the new wing.

Sophomores are becoming upperclassmen

Halfway There

Two down and two more to go was the main thought in the minds of the class of 2001. The second year of high school brought drivers licenses, and for some, later curfews. Sophomore year opened up a whole world of opportunities.

"Sophomore year is better than freshman year. It is a lot more interesting, and there are more things to do."

Tina Clark, 10

"My sophomore year I attended the IJASH symposium. It was a great opportunity, and I was honored with a silver medal."

Scott Schuetz, 10

Pizza face
Jennifer Miller, 10, gets more pizza on her face than in her mouth as she is caught by surprise.
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Dustin Witt
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Freshman year is a journey into the unknown

Uncharted

For many freshmen, the year was filled with new adventures and experiences. They had to adjust to the new environment of a high school setting. Many exciting opportunities were placed before them. High school opened a whole world to search and explore.

"Freshmen year is an adventure. Meeting new people and playing freshman football is just part of the fun. Making homecoming court can also be sort of cool."

David Harvick, 9

"I think high school is cool. It is fun to be in a larger setting with more people in the classrooms. It is also nice having longer passing periods."

Brandy Funderburk, 9

Under glass
A microscope can make a world of difference to Brennan Stephenson, 9.
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he halls were filled with the roar of students rushing from one club meeting to the next every Thursday morning. Students had the opportunity to become involved with everything from helping the environment to improving their acting skills. While students committed a great deal of their school time to these activities, they also spent numerous after school hours improving the community through club activities.

Pollution stinks
Hard working club member Kirk Linenefels, 12, expresses his thoughts on pollution with other ecology club members at a convention in Peoria.

Genius at rest
Computer whiz Dane Kantner, 12, puts his feet up after a long day at the University of Illinois with the Saturday Scholars.

We love trees!
An excited Tom Timmermann, 12, exemplifies the Ecology Club's motto to a "T."
Pre-prom smiles

With prom hair in place, Leann Hemker, 11, Kristin Johnson, 11, and Kim Frank, 11, appear excited about the evening ahead.

Trick or treat!

An enthusiastic group of SADD members celebrate Halloween in the traditional costume manner.

Caution!

Josh Kloss, 12, and Michael Robinson, 12, avoid the flying debris of the new wing construction with their trusty hard hats.
No competition
Mary Schwarz, 11, and Cherie Rogier, 10, show their appreciation for Mr. Jones and the many miles he drives to get them to competitions.

Schoolhouse rock
While attending the national convention, Dave Ernst, 10, and Bryan Ross, 9, learn about the typical school day in the 1800's at a re-enactment in a old remodeled school house.

Chowin' down
FFA members arrive at school at 5:00 a.m. to serve over 100 faculty, staff and maintenance members. Members devour the food left over from the breakfast to fill the empty pits in their stomachs.

Fruit for sale
Amber Zurliene, 12, and Zach Schlecte, 11, tend the checking, sorting and packaging of the fresh Florida oranges. The FFA sold over $700 worth of fruit during the Christmas season.
Dancin' boots
Lacey Randant, 12, Dianna Hemann, 12, Rene Mettler, 12, Danielle Frueh, 9, and Lindsey Fuqua attend a dance at the National Convention which had over 700 FFA members in attendance from across the country.

FFA finishes 20th century on positive note
Millenium aggies

By: Rene Mettler

It's the end of the world as we know it...so the senior aggies toile from beginning to end to promote the FFA chapter more than ever. One-hundred and twenty members allowed the FFA to hit its all time high of membership recorded in the annals of the chapter. The members were put to work building many projects an promoting the chapter. Many awards, honors, and recognitions were received for the FFA's outstanding work and service to the school and community.

Adam Vosholler, 9
"My favorite part of the entire year was when we worked on the hanging baskets, and potting plants in the greenhouse."

Joe Jackson, 11
"My greatest experience was attending the National FFA Convention. It was amazing to see 25,000 FFA jackets roaming the streets of Kansas City."

Barry Quade, 10
"The Made For Excellence Conference was great. I learned a lot of leadership skills and met so many new people from other chapters."

Jennifer Barth, 12
"FFA week was wonderful, and my favorite experience. The support from the school and community is an incredible feeling."

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Lifesavers

Saving lives one by one

By: Kateri Shiffer

Lifesavers is a peer organization that tries to help people in many different ways. On Halloween weekend, students joined with Wesclin High School to learn facts about drugs, sex, suicide, and family roles. It was led by counselors Sherry Thomas, Cary Ittner, and Julia Daniels. The group also started a program called “The Yellow Ribbon Project” that focused on preventing teen suicide.

Students Against Destructive Decisions

What time is it?

By: Theresa Ames

Every fifteen minutes someone dies in an alcohol related car accident. This was a phrase uttered by the members of SADD as they did their best to remind us of the consequences of drinking and driving. “Every fifteen minutes” was a project that used facts about deaths due to substance abuse to encourage smart decisions concerning drinking and other harmful activities.
All ears
Erin McKenna, 12, and Nick Oswald, 12, listen attentively during an NHS meeting. NHS members met every couple of months to discuss upcoming events.

Helping hands
Sherri Koehnemann, 12, Kristin Voegele, 12, and Mrs. Ittner prepare punch and cookies for NHS members and parents before the induction ceremony.

Awwww....
Father and daughter, Mr. Joe Switzer and Jessie Switzer, 12, share a special moment together. Mr. Switzer was the guest speaker at the fall induction ceremony, where he gave an inspiring speech to all NHS members.

National Honor Society
With honors

By: Janae Barker

Scholarship, service, leadership, character— these are the four words that NHS members are all about. Sponsored by Ms. Schneider and Mrs. Ittner, NHS consisted of juniors and seniors who met specific academic and service requirements. New members were inducted in the fall, and at Christmas time, they led a toy drive for HIS KIDS. A spring banquet was held to honor all members and introduce next year's officers.

Pres. Rene Mettler, 12
"NHS is a great opportunity to work with very talented and bright people, and it was great to spend more time with my friends."

Sec. Jessie Frey, 12
"Besides promoting school involvement, the banquets were a lot of fun, and we always had really good cookies at every meeting."

Treas. Jamie Maedge, 12
"It was an honor to be selected for NHS. It was great to benefit the community through the toy drive we had each year."

VP Tyson Heisner, 12
"It was an honor to be in NHS. My lack of responsibility as vice president allowed me to interact with other members."
Spreading the joy
Sharing their beautiful voices with the senior citizens at Faith Countryside Homes, Danny Thomas, 11, and Matt Pople, 9, sing a cheerful Christmas tune. In early December, FCA members went Christmas caroling at local nursing homes.

The best man wins
With straw in mouth, Justin Cryder, 11, partners up with Sam Myint, 12, in a grueling game of "Man, Bear, Gun." This was one of the highlights of the FCA Fall Kick-off Bonfire attended by about 75 people.

Chillin' out
Giving their legs a rest, Tim Warnecke, 10, Michael Robinson, 12, and Matt Lewis, 10, relax on a bench beside the Steinberg Ice Rink in Forest Park. Snow covered the FCA's night of skating.

Decorating divas
With great pride, Shauna Holcmann, 11, and Linnea Sorge, 10, display trays loaded with heart-shaped cookies. The girls held a Valentine's Day Cookie Party and delivered the tasty treats to boys and girls through HIS KIDS.
Fun, food, fellowship

All dogs go to heaven

By: Janae Barker & Michael Robinson

Wednesday nights held lots of excitement for members of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. They enjoyed great food and discussed topics from stress to salvation. FCA's purpose was to introduce students to the gospel of Jesus Christ. The club hosted a fall bonfire, a Sunshine Mission project, Christmas caroling, ice skating, Thanksgiving dinners, a girls pajama party and a boys hamburger night. All these events combined to form an atmosphere of fun, food and fellowship.

Girls just wanna have fun

After a stressful day at school, Girls FCA members relax with a "pajama party." For two hours, the girls filled Cassie Sherman’s basement with smells of nail polish, stinky feet and raw cookie dough while kicking back and enjoying a movie.
TSA has a shaky start after replacing VICA

A building year

By: Rene Mettler

Technology Students of America replaced the dying club VICA, and has had what many would call a building year. With four times as many members than the VICA club of old, the adviser, Mr. Baele, was looking for major improvements in the future. President, Aaron Durbin, 12, said, "Hopefully future members will attend contests and plan more activities to involve the school and community."

Program has successful second year

Leading the way

By: Amiee Bochantin

The Jobs for Illinois Graduates Program's goals were to help students graduate and place them into post-secondary education or a solid career path. Activities the group participated in were the Leadership Development Conference at Allorton Park, the installation ceremony of members and officers, job shadowing, and the Career Development Conference.
New friendships
The members of Focus St. Louis and the seventh graders enjoy an activity packed day at the middle school gym.

Hard at work
Cassie Sherman, 11, and adviser Ms. Heap begin to carry in refreshments and decorations for the middle school gym.

Finishing touches
Allison Campbell, 11 helps two of the seventh graders paint the last details on the mural they made at the “Free to Be You and Me” program.

Focus St. Louis
Caring individuals

By: Natalie Ingram

Focus St. Louis was a program that allowed students: Cathy Eley, 11, Jeff Schroeder, 11, Allison Campbell, 11, Andrea Schatte, 11, Natalie Ingram, 11, and Cassie Sherman, 11, to build leadership skills. The community project for the year was a day at the middle school for seventh graders called, “Free to Be You and Me”. The program promoted self-esteem and friendship building skills. Members also participated in charity events throughout the year.
WYSE team garners many awards

The power of the mind

By: Scott Brave

The Worldwide Youth in Science and Engineering team was very successful in competition. They placed second in their division at regional competition and advanced to sectionals. Individual awards went to Dane Kantner, Aaron Durbin, Jeannie Nagel, Melissa Timmermann, Bryan Boudouris, Blaine Touchette and Blake Mills. Blake advanced to state.

Math Team finishes the year strongly

All in their heads

By: Julie Plocher

The Math Team began their season at the Southwest Math Conference contests at BAC. They then moved on to the Excellence In Math Contest in St. Louis. They finished at Math Field Day at SIU-C where Melissa Timmermann, Zoran Tasic, and Stephanie Merkle received honorable mentions for their scores. Coached by Pam Watts and Max Uhls, the team had 34 different participants compete.
Strength in numbers

A terrified Nikki Williams, 11, is coached by Amanda Jimenez, 12, while giving blood.

Cheerful givers

Mike Lawson, 12, David Brown, 12, and Tara Holzinger, 11, anxious to donate blood.

Busy as a bee

Alisha Broniec, 12, is hard at work getting students registered to donate blood.

A pint of blood is worth a pot of gold

Future “ER” staff?

By: Theresa Ames

The annual blood drive organized by FMCC was held on St. Patrick’s Day in order to draw as many donors as possible. Future Medical Careers Club allowed students to help their community by donating blood and provided the members a chance to interact with people in the fields they hope to pursue. The club also gave the students the opportunity to tour local medical facilities and keep on the cutting edge of medical technology.
Chess Club

"Check" this

By: Aaron Durbin

Club members met once a week after school to compete with other members. Team members worked on game strategies with Coach Phil Chapman of the Optimist Club in preparation for their competitions sponsored by the Gateway Chess League. Several team members competed in tournaments from September through March.

Photography Club

Exposed film

By: Aaron Durbin

Photography enthusiasts were initially drawn to the new club by a new teacher, Ms. Melissa Grice. She started the club to rekindle and ignite the art of photography in students. The club took a field trip to Laumeier Sculpture Park in April for material to photograph and to broaden their photographic horizons.
Hola!
Sarah Tebbe, 12, Lauren Southwick, 12, and Erin McKenna, 12, stand in a doorway in the barrio trying to impress the people of Chicago.

Monkeys in the trees
A group of senior Spanish and French students enjoy the tropical flavor of the Rainforest Cafe on their annual senior trip to Chicago. Beware of the monkeys!

Where are my castanets?
After watching the flamenco dancers, Jared Goestenkors, 11, decides the job is appealing.

Spanish Club
Encantamos Espanol
By: Rachel Plocher

For those who have never taken Spanish, the above heading means “We love Spanish!” Spanish Club is made up of every student in the Spanish III and IV classes taught by Mrs. Deets. The main events in Spanish Club are field trips. The Spanish III class went to Columbia High School for a fun-filled day of watching flamenco dancers and eating Spanish food. The Spanish IV class went to Chicago for a whole weekend packed full of Spanish culture.
Science Club gets new sponsor

**Fresh faces**

By: Dane Kantner

The Science Club was headed by a fresh face. Mrs. Tammy Kohnan took over after the retirement of Mr. Brent Grodeon. The group met several times to plan a magic show for grade school students. The Science Club also took a field trip to a forensics lab in Fairview Heights.

French Club raises money for senior trip

**Allez au Chicago**

By: Scott Brave

The French club set its goal early in the year of raising enough money to fund the senior trip for years to come. They participated in the Optimist Bowl-a-thon, worked the concession stand and successfully applied for a grant to achieve their goal. In Chicago they visited the art museum and further enhanced their knowledge and appreciation of French art.
Girls, girls, girls
Kirk Linenfels, 12, and Zach Knebel, 11, get acquainted with the other schools at the Peoria convention.

Ooh......ahhh...
Bryan Boudouris, 11, enthusiastically presents his ecology project, while Devin Heisner, 12, shrugs his shoulders in confusion.

Thanks for the help
Paul Scherschel, 11, does his part to help keep the earth clean.

Ecology Club strives to give back what they’ve taken
Helping Mother Nature
By: Tom Timmermann

With two scheduled trips, a successful recycling program and nearly eighty members the Ecology Club did its share to give back to Mother Nature. In March, members prepared a display to be presented at an ecologically centered conference held in Peoria. However, what the Ecology Club was known best for was their recycling program. With all these activities flying around it was easy to see why the Ecology Club kept growing.
Going out in style

Speaking out
By: Tarra Arrington

The Speech Team members bid farewell after deciding to dissolve. Ms. Iberg coached the team, and she will be missed by her outspoken speakers. Students and members, Kara Gruenenfelder, 11, and Jonathon Halvorson, 11, recalled all the fun and excitement the team enjoyed at past activities and meets.

Thespians

Dramatic act
By: Tarra Arrington

Thespians listened to Mrs. Vogelman teach the art and history of drama. The group of aspiring actors and actresses met and discussed upcoming events and attended workshops to strengthen their skills. Mrs. Vogelman confessed that in the future, she definitely hopes to see more people interested in the group and the performing arts.
Taking a break

Who would wear this? Rachel Plocher, 11, is repulsed at an outfit she sees hanging across the store. Rachel believes she has a keen eye for fashion and cannot believe the sight before her eyes...

To buy or not to buy...

Scoping the clothing racks at Wal-Mart, Sherri Koehnemann, 12, tries to decide what to buy. The Student Council helped a needy family by buying them Christmas presents.

Yet another busy year for the Student Council

Taking care of business

By: Dane Kantner

Kristin Voegele, 12
"Student Council was a fun way to interact with others. It gave us a chance to accomplish things we couldn't before."

Matt Pople, 9
"Many hours were spent working with the Homecoming decorating committee. We worked as a group to get the job done. It was fun!"

Nick Zaloga, 11
"I wanted to get to know people better after they were on my compatibility test. We should've gotten them before Homecoming; it would've been easier to get a date!"

Sherri Koehnemann, 12
"My goal as a student council member was to represent my school with a positive attitude and accept the challenges provided."

It was business as usual for the Student Council in 1998-99. Led by sponsors Mrs. Probst and Mrs. Watts, the group started the year with its annual freshmen tours of the school. It went on to host another successful Homecoming dance, themed "Midnight Masquerade." The Student Council went beyond its usual scope and put on a "sexy legs" contest. Students from each grade level, as well as some faculty members, were stripped of their pants for the student body to see and pick their favorite. This fun-filled contest brought the Student Council's year to a successful close.
Scholar Bowl team experiences change

Quick on the buzzers
By: Scott Brave

The Scholar Bowl team lost its coach, Mr. Naylor. Mr. Appel stepped in to take over the group and the transition was made quite smoothly. After a dismal performance at the Triad Invitational Tournament, the team reeled off a string of victories before succumbing to Triad and Mater Dei. They were summarily eliminated in the second round of regional play.

Saturday Scholars complete another year

Smart weapons
By: Julie Plocher

The Saturday Scholars once again braved early morning bus rides to O'Fallon High School. They listened to lectures concerning black holes, smart weapons, and ethics in journalism. The sessions ended with a field trip to the University of Illinois for the College of Engineering Open House. Led by Mrs. Probst, they finished yet another interesting program.
Creativity for the mind

Painting the future

By: Nick Hoffmann

Diversity was an important part of the Art Club. The club consisted of many different people who were all brought together by an interest in art. The art club was lead by Mrs. Burns, President Nick Hoffmann, and Vice-President Cory Briggs. Their activities consisted of t-shirt design, art displays at the cabaret, working concessions at basketball games and a field trip to the Art Institute of Chicago.

Art memories

"What I remember most was sledding on paint trays when we moved to the new wing. I have to say, I will always remember conversations from the back room, too." Terri Kohrmann, 12.

Card Catalogue

J.D. Townzen, 11, works diligently in the library on paperwork. It is not an easy task to keep track of all the books, overdue fees, and other components of the library system.

Friends kept the library organized

In the stacks

By: Amiee Bochantin

The purpose of the Friends of the Library organization was to keep the library organized. During class/club time the organization stocked library supplies and handled the organization of books. Some of the other activities they participated in were the canned food drive, serving food for the teachers at meetings and working the concession stand.

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Fall Sports

By: Scott Brave

The fall sports season was filled with triumph, heartbreak and at times comedy. Everyone did his best to show his spirit in an attempt to lead the Bulldogs to victory. At the same time, it never hurt to have a little fun in the process. Fun was the root of all sports. Because pictures speak louder than words, the pictures told the story.

Hut... hike!
The Bulldog defensive line prepares for the imminent call to battle with pushing, shoving, smashing, bruising, and pulverizing pancaking as their fate.

Before fore!
Derek Herzberg, 10, fumbles through his golf bag looking for just the right club to smack a little, dimpled white ball 300 yards.

Nap time!
Dale Sweetnam, 11, takes a short siesta after a grueling cross country run.
Reach!!!!!

Erin McKenna, 12, stretches for that elusive little yellow tennis ball in an effort to return for a crosscourt winner.

Blow Your Horn

Bryan Boudouris, 11, struts his stuff in the halftime field show of a varsity football game.

#1 Fan

San Myint, 12, posts the sign of his support for the invincible, but slightly injured GOF.
A triumphant victory
After winning regionals, the smiling girls golf team proudly displays their award.

Concentration
Nonie Ehike, 12, cautiously eyes up a birdie putt to help the Lady Bulldogs to another win.

A long lasting rivalry
The battle continues as another Knight bites the dust, compliments of Jami Potthoff, 10.
The girls golf team exceeds limits

Driving motives

By: Aimee Bochantin

Lollipop, Lollipop... was the theme song for the successful 1998 girls golf team. No one predicted that the girls would ever make it to state, but the team set it’s mind to achieving their goal. The team record for the year was 22-2. A few of the team’s award winning accomplishments included: placing first at the Mascoutah Tournament, first place at the Mississippi Valley Conference, and first place at the IHSA Regional. The team also placed third at the Edwardsville Invitational, fourth at the IHSA Sectional, and fifth at the SHG Blazer Classic. Their season culminated in their thirteenth place finish at the State Finals.
Taking aim
Scott McCammon, 10, takes aim at the hole from a great position on the fairway while his opponents look on nervously.

Camaraderie
After a match, Dale Porter, 11, Tim Nagel, 10, and Ben Giterstonke, 10, discuss the day’s events.

Heads up!
With intense concentration, Justin Bolk, 11, waits to see if his ball will drop on the green.
Welcome fellow golfers
Just before the day's match, Coach Jeff Faulkenberg welcomes the visiting golf team from Roxana and wishes them good luck.

Watch it
Chris Frey, 9, eyes up his next shot with the look of determination characteristic of a seasoned golfer.

Golfers are lean, mean, golfing machines
In the swing of things

By: Andy Messerli

"Golf is a blast. I will never forget one match in which a dog stole the head cover of senior John Klaus during play," Justin Bolk, 11.

"Sectional play was out of our grasp by six strokes. We look forward to the post-season playoffs next year!" Scott McCammon, 10.

"Advancing to state as an individual was great. I hope that I can be fortunate enough to qualify again," Chad Jakel, 10.

1998 Boy's Golf
Front Row: John White, Mike DeNap, Justin Bolk, Tim Nagel, Derek Herzberg.

Fore! The boy’s golf team teed-off their opponents at several matches by blasting out of the narrow bunkers of defeat. The team's record was 17-8, and they were only 6 strokes away from advancing to sectionals. This quality performance could only have been reached by hours of practice. The golfers spent many months as a team, and as individuals, practicing at local courses like the Highland Country Club and Oak Brook Golf Course in Edwardsville.
**Strength of the pack**
Right in step with each other, Becka Shea,10, Jenni Mitchell,11, and Erin Strackeljahn,12, work to overcome their opponents. "Mr. Moore was at the top of the hill encouraging us. He told us to work together and stay together. It really helps to run with someone from your team," said Mitchell.

**Game face**
Cassie Sherman,11, expresses her views on cross country. "I was really upset after my race. I was trying to take off my spikes and I asked Dustin to help me. He said that he wouldn't so I gave him a mean look. He took a picture."

**Setting your goals**
Daniel Strackeljahn,9, discusses his scores with Coach Hyre. "Mr. Hyre is really helpful after our races. We discuss the good and bad of our run and set goals for the next race. I try to achieve each goal I set."

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Jene Klostermann, 12, "What is most memorable about this year is that we went to Sectionals together. It was really fun with everyone there. I have grown close to all the girls in the past four years. I'm going to miss them."

Dustin Talleur, 12, "Respect makes this year different from last year. The fact that others look up to you for advice really makes the team pull together."

Upper class pace
Working the start, Dustin Talleur, 12, and Dale Sweetnam, 11, try to get out in front. Coach Hyre wants the younger boys to have a good chance placing in their races. Many times the varsity race only has two runners in it.

Keeping up
After working up the hill, Joe Malisia, 10, regains his pace and looks towards the chute. "I was very tired but I saw the leaders ahead and I knew I had to regain my energy for a strong finish at the end," says Malisia.

Runners put one foot in front of other to achieve goals
Mind over matter

By: Erin Strackeljahn

The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step. For the Highland Cross Country team this statement was very true. From blazing heat in the summer to stifling cold in the fall, cross country was on the move. The frosh/soph boys ran to a first place finish to become Madison County champs in the fr./sph. division. The Conference race gave Highland eight All-Conference runners. At IHSAA Regionals the girls team advanced to Sectionals, along with Dustin Talleur and Joe Malisia of the boys team. Cross country was a grueling sport that took courage, pride, and self determination. These factors, combined with an outstanding coaching staff, allowed for the level of excellence achieved by the team and its individuals.

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Rainy days and mondays

Kristin Voegle, 12, Crystal Uhe, 11, and Becky Schreiber, 11, prepare for another wet match. It seems the rain follows the girls wherever they play. An appropriate name for the team would have been the Rain Queens.

JV girls tennis
Front Row: Rachel Savas, Wendi Shimer, Lauren Campbell, Erin Remelius
Back Row: Jessica Massey, Erin Clark, Charlotte Weiss, Courtney Winet, Vanessa Holtgrave

The Golden Corral
Erin McKenna, 12 and Suzanne Rogier, 9, get into a food fight at the Golden Corral following a match, but it does not take long for them to make up and become friends again.

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Successful volley
Melissa Timmermann, 12, successfully returns a volley. She enjoyed a spectacular season ending in first place at #4 singles.

Do not look now
Lindsay Hess, 10, prepares to show off her new no-look return. Her anxious parents look on in the background at their talented daughter.

MVC Champions twice and running
Love and aces

By: Kateri Schiffer

The girls tennis team faced a challenging season. The players went through tiring training sessions to build the strength and stamina necessary for a successful season. The hours of drills spent to improve agility and speed on the court were worthwhile for every player. For the second year in a row, the hard work paid off in another MVC Conference championship. All of the players agreed that the season could not have been any more enjoyable.

Final Record 16-2

6 O'Fallon 1
3 Greenville 4
6 Alton 1
7 Waterloo 0
7 Collinsville 0
6 Triad 1
7 Roxana 0
7 Granite City 0
6 Mt. Vernon 0
7 Mascoutah 1
7 CM 0
6 Jerseyville 1
5 Salem 2
2 Althoff 5

MVC Conference Championship
First Place HHS Doubles Tournament

"It was an honor to coach this mature and experienced team. They proved themselves time and time again on the court. The great personalities on the team made the season fun. This is by far the best squad that I have ever coached, and the future looks bright for girls tennis."

"While playing Queen of the Court, I lost my game. My punishment was to sit on the ground and bark at the varsity football players. It was embarrassing."

"We grew close and it was great to be the MVC champs. I will never forget eating at the Golden Corral!" Jackie Kutz, 12.

"I made the varsity team where Mrs. Plocher expects more of the players. I made many friendships that I hope will last for a long time." Brittany Turner, 10.

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Frosh volleyball
Front Row: Beth Schrumpf, Amanda Gallatin, Natalie Hoffman
Middle Row: Jennifer Halvorson, Jackie Koerkenmeier, Jessie Koerkenmeier, Jennifer Harsy
Back Row: Alicia Weiss, Erica Ross, Coach Jody Plater, Assistant Coach Jamie Murphy

Passing to perfection
Amanda Gallatin, 9, positions herself to make the perfect pass to her setter, proving once again that teamwork is one of the team’s keys to a successful season.

Approaching the attack
Eileen Holthaus, 11, steadies herself after making a low pass to the setter, while Jennifer Harsy, 9, begins her spike approach.
Eileen Holthaus, 11, "The juniors and some of the underclassmen would practice with varsity. I was surprised at how well we did."

Sarah Ulrich, 10, "This year was a lot of fun! We continued to improve throughout the season and ended up as winners!"

Jackie Koerkenmeier, 9, "The coaches were always supportive, even when we lost. The JV and freshmen teams both played really well."

Guarding the net
Defending their territory, the girls get into position to send back an aggressive attack.

Taking a breather
Shauna Holcmann, 11, prepares herself for the next play during a lull in the action.

Commitment makes for winning season
Set & spike

By: Natalie Ingram

As the new season unfolded, members of the JV volleyball team quickly realized the challenges they would face throughout the season. With only a few returning players and a variety of new talents, the girls knew they would have to push themselves to the limit. In the end, all of their work paid off. The freshman volleyball team worked on improving their weaknesses and perfected technique. Because they pushed themselves so hard, the team achieved a second place finish at the Jerseyville Tournament.

JV Volleyball
Front Row: Michelle Frey, Erica Ross, Eileen Holthaus, Alicia Weiss.
Team effort

The Lady Bulldogs huddle to boost energy and confidence during a tough match. Rene Mettler, 12, voted Most Supportive team member, remarks, "There are so many aspects to winning a volleyball game, and they are all summed up in one word -- TEAM!"

Dynamic duo

Sisters Jennifer Trame, 12, and Stephanie Trame, 11, capture the moment on Senior Night. Jennifer notes, "I love playing with my sister. I've been playing with her all our lives and it makes me sad to think that this could be the last year we will ever play together."

Kill it

Jessie Frey, 12, stretches to make the kill, while Jennifer Trame, 12, and Danielle Koishor, 12, get low for hitter coverage. Frey was the receiver of the Miss Defense Award. J. Trame earned Most Valuable Player, and Koishor was given the 110% Award.
Kristin Johnson, 11
"Starting out, one of our biggest problems was defense. We spent a lot of time working on it, and by the end of the season, we had remarkably improved!"

Crystal Knackstedt, 12
"We had a great season! We played together well and got along great on and off the court. Best of all—we finally beat Mater Dei!"

Danielle Koishor, 12
"Beating Mater Dei was great, not just because no other HHS team has ever done this, but the fact that we played as a real team."

It takes a team
Raising spirits, the Lady Bulldogs display their enthusiasm for the game they love. The girls wore tee-shirts with "Man, I love the game" printed across the top, and after confusing many students, they explained that this phrase meant "Man, I Love the Game."

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Practice makes perfect
Warming up, Jessie Frey, 12, and Jennifer Trame, 12, perfect their spiking and blocking skills. Frey adds, "The highlight of my season was winning regionals. Since Triad beat us previously, it was the greatest thing to beat them for the regional title."

Girls advance to first round of sectionals
Setting high

Six experienced seniors, having earned varsity playing time since their freshman year, led the Lady Bulldogs on and off the court. For the first time in HHS history, the team conquered Mater Dei in an intense three-game battle. Advancing to sectionals, the Lady Bulldogs ended their exceptional season with a loss to Edwardsville. Although they would have liked to prolong their season, the girls were very pleased with their remarkable 22-10 record.

By: Janae Barker

Scores
2 Granite City 0
2 Wescbn 0
2 Civic Memorial 0
0 Triad 2
2 Jerseyville 1
2 Waterloo 1
2 Edwardsville 1
2 Mascoutah 0
2 Civic Memorial 1
2 Jerseyville 0
2 Collinsville 0
2 Mater Dei 1
2 Waterloo 0
2 Mascoutah 1
Playoffs
2 Granite City 0
2 Triad 1
0 Edwardsville 2

& the

& Coach Coach Jody Plater

"Wow! What a great season! It was difficult to step in as new head coach, but I was blessed with a tremendous amount of talent and a group who worked well together. The team was also very cohesive, which made coaching fun. I was truly satisfied to finish my first season with a 22-10 record and hope this will be a precedent."

Varsity Volleyball

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Freshman soccer
Front Row: Brennan Stephenson, Bobby Watts, Jacob Post, Chris Wiegand, Ty Renko, Rob McDonald, Jonathan Elliot. Back Row: Paul Morence, Eric Lengermann, Josh Yann, Chris Freimann, Jeremy Yann, Jason Luitjohan, Jon Severs, Mike Johnson, Coach Cryder

Artful dodger
Nick Barnett, 11, deftly maneuvers the ball through a maze of defenders, as he often did throughout the year.

A winning move
Todd Luitjohan, 10, sends his unworthy opponent flying after a collision. Todd splits his playing time between the varsity and JV teams.
Stay tuned for the next generation of soccer

Thrown into action

By: Tom Timmermann

Fancy footwork
Jon Severs, 9, dribbles around his quickly approaching opponent as Jeremy Yann, 9, lingers in the distance.

Keep your eyes open
Fending off an opponent, Eric Lengermann, 9, looks for an opportunity to complete a pass on his way down the field.

Our team was filled with talent, from the inexperienced younger players to the experienced elder players." Nick Zaloga, 11.

“It was a really good year, but next year when I'm a senior I look forward to playing more varsity time. JV is fun, but I can't wait to play varsity.” Nick Barnett, 11.

“My wish I’d played varsity soccer, but playing JV this year has been a great learning experience for next year,” Aaron Albregts, 11.

“It was a pleasure to work with these boys. They are a talented group that ran into some bad luck this season with injuries. With a little work, they could all be quality players. I'm really lucky to have been able to coach a team like this. I wish them all the best at the varsity level.”

It’s safe to say that the future is in good hands with Terry Marks, the JV soccer coach. The JV Soccerdogs once again had a successful season; however, many of the JV players also doubled their playing time by also playing varsity soccer. Likewise many of the freshman players also doubled their time playing JV and freshman soccer. Given the talents and abilities of these two teams, stay tuned to the future of the soccer team.

JV Soccer

Sideline support
Members of the varsity team watch their fellow players from the sides-

..aahh...refreshing..
Kirk Linenfelser, 12, enjoys a nice refreshing drink of Hi-C. Kirk says the most important part of his success is making sure the body has a vast supply of nutrients.

Aggression?
T. J. Goeke, 12, and Matt Smart, 11, fight off an opposing player. The team works all year on combining stamina and aggression to get a winning combination.
Footloose
Using some fancy footwork, Devin Heisner, 12, helps his team defeat the opposition.

Frustrated?
During a tough soccer match, T.J. Goeke, 12, walks dejectedly off the field.

Senior dominated team continues legacy of success
Lightning strikes
By: Tom Timmermann

The Highland Soccersdogs have made a habit of making it to the playoffs, and the tradition continued this year. The team made the playoffs where they were unexpectedly defeated 1-0 in an overtime loss to the Triad Knights. However, the season was an exceptional one as a whole. All of the players trained diligently and played enthusiastically. Coach Meyer will have a tough task when he tries to replace this senior laden team; but one thing is for sure, the legacy will continue.

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Seniors rule!
Proud to be the only seniors on the squad, Beth Bergman, 12, and Sherri Koehnemann, 12, appreciate the events of Senior Night more than the rest of the squad.

Building for victory
"Building formations is one of the best parts of the game," exclaims Michelle Mugler, 11. All the girls agree that formations are the most fun part of cheerleading.

Rah! Rah! Rah!
Stephanie Neudecker, 11, Beth Bergmann, 12, Sherri Koehnemann, 12, and Kelly Johnson, 11, break out their pom-poms to increase the crowd's enthusiasm.
Standing tall
"When I started topping it was really hard for me, but after two years, I got used to it. I wouldn't have it any other way," explains Susan Mueller, 10.

Cheering buddies
Casey Fields, 10, and Monica Cruthis, 10, show their appreciation for each other's cheering.

Cheer with us! V-I-C-T-O-R-Y!
Step above the rest

Teri Hammer, 10, "Cheerleading was a valuable experience. It taught me how to get along with others, responsibility, and was really fun."

Amanda Riechmann, 10, "Cheerleading was a great experience for me. I had a lot of fun with it, and made a lot of great friends."

Tara Frey, 9, "I had a lot of fun at all of the games this year. I think that we had a great squad and a great season. Everyone seemed to be very dedicated to the team. Good luck to everyone in the future."

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Wether the game was home or away, the energetic football cheerleaders led the crowds of Highland fans in cheering on the team. They devoted many after school hours working on their cheering and gymnastic skills. Because of their hard work, they achieved their goal in helping the fans enthusiastically cheer the players on to victory.
Freshman Football

Field goal!
Holder Mike Warnecke, 11, sets the ball for kicker Todd Luitjohan, 10, making a successful one point in the winning game against Waterloo.

Closing in
Aaron Meffert, 10, Kyle Troxell, 10, and Tony Ridgeway, 10, close in on a Centralia running back during a winning game against the Orphan Annies.
JV and freshman teams prove good things are on the way

Full speed ahead

By: Dena Tebbe

Inspired by the screaming fans and proud parents, the freshman and JV football teams were successful due to an overwhelming amount of encouragement by the coaches and other players. With an outstanding record of 8-0, the freshman football team made an incredible first year comeback for freshman sports. The JV football team, not to be outdone by the freshman, played an excellent season as well with a record of 4-4.
In position
Quarterback David Brown, 12, calls the signals as the players flex their muscles to intimidate the much weaker Triad Knights at home on senior night.

Bulldog pride
Linebacker Dustin Gimmy, 12, shares his soft side with the rest of the team before the bus arrives to take them into battle.

On the road again
On the road again in Jerseyville, quarterback Dave Brown, 12, relays a strategic plan of attack to the offense in the huddle.
The football season is just as much about life as it is about football. I have never felt so close to so many people. Each coach is just like a father to me," Dustin Gimmy, 12.

"There is a lot of dedication required to make it through the season. I think the F inal Record 5-4 28 Carlinville 0 27 Mt. Zion 13 32 Centralia 12 13 CM 34 22 Triad 13 14 Jerseyville 32 28 Waterloo 46 15 Mascoutah 8 14 Paris 31

The team made it a quick and enjoyable season with the effort they exhibited on game nights. Hopefully, the players learned as much from their football experience as their coaches learned from them," remarks Coach Joel Hawkins.

The Bulldogs continue their winning tradition Good Knight! By: Michael Robinson

The battling Bulldogs, despite their deceiving 5-4 mark, accumulated many accomplishments throughout the season. Coach Mike Hooker stated proudly that, "Anytime you beat those Triad people, you have a successful season." If that is the case, the Bulldogs had a very successful season. In addition to hammering their arch rivals, the Knights, on Senior Night, 22-13, they also beat the Mascoutah Indians at the homecoming football game. The team barely missed the playoffs due to a disappointing loss to the Paris Tigers.
The winter brought plenty of snow and plenty of action to the sports arena. The traditional powerhouse teams continued their dominance, while others had what can be best described as rebuilding years. The theme of the season seemed to be the emergence of underclassmen in varsity sports, where they made their presence felt in virtually every one. It made for a very exciting season for the fans, coaches and everyone involved.

On one... Coach Steiner rallies her troops for another tough game. The girls varsity team put forth much effort on their way to a respectable season.

And two Nick Barnett, 11, puts up a shot against a Waterloo defender. The junior split his playing time between varsity and junior varsity.

Full-court press Tyson Zobrist, 12, fiercely defends against a down court pass from an opponent.
Work it
Tami Jakel, 12, works out in the weight room preparing herself for those strenuous dance competitions.

Tough day
Matt Weidner, 12, is caught sleeping in the hallway. He and his fellow wrestlers had a very exciting season.

Rise to the top
The varsity cheerleading team performs their routine to the cheers of the enthusiastic crowd.
Gotta have Faith
Pumping up before their regional performance, members of the dance team mosh to Limp Bizkit's rendition of George Michael's Faith.

Purple what?
Imitating their rivals, the dance team strikes a pose after the Edwardsville regionals.

Hard at work
With a look of frustration, Tami Jakel, 12, Casey Mosby, 12, and Julie Capelle, 12, express their views on dance camp.
Erica Voss, 9
"I didn’t think I was going to make the team at first. When I saw my name on the list, I was ecstatic! It was the most fun I ever had!"

Amy Kealey, 11
"By being on the Dance Team, I learned how to work as a team. We accomplished our goals and had fun doing so."

Tiffany Parnell, 10
"I hated rolling my hair! One night I had to walk around town with a pound of plastic on my head while everyone stared."

Dancing to the top
With precision and enthusiasm the dance team gives it their all at the State Competition. They placed higher than any of their predecessors in the aerobic-funk division.

We own this dance
With their eyes glued to the judges, Tami Jakel, 12, Janae Barker, 11, Dawn Davidson, 11, and Megan Tebbe, 9, show their moves in their pom/dance routine.

& the Scores

Awards
1st place IL, State Fair
2nd place dance category and 5th place pom category at Lindbergh HS
2nd place aerobic/funk and 4th place pom/dance at Althoff Regional
1st place aerobic/funk and 2nd place pom/dance at O’Fallon Regional
2nd place aerobic/funk and 5th place pom/dance at Super Sectional
3rd place aerobic/funk and 6th place pom/dance at State

Reach for the stars
By: Erin Strackeljahn

"It was the most committed group of young women I have ever worked with. They were a pleasure to coach and to watch. All of them should be proud of the performances they turned in this year. I wish them all the best of luck, wherever they may be next year."

The dance team began its season at the UDA summer camp. There, they received a first place for their routine and a Superior trophy for the highest overall score. At the Illinois State Fair, they received another first place for their pom dance. The dance team also attended many regional competitions to perfect their routine. Their dedication paid off in a third place finish at State in aerobic-funk, and a fifth place for pom-dance. Overall, they had the tenth highest score in the state.

"Reach high, for the stars lie hidden in your soul."
Pamela Vaull Starr

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Only the strong Travis Navikas, 9, demonstrates the difficulty of wrestling when resisting defeat at the intersquad meet in Highland. Navikas has already made a name for himself through his skill and his first place finish at the conference held in Mascoutah.

Get a grip Matt Weidner, 12, makes his move on an opponent before finishing the job with a quick pin. Weidner also received awards as champion at the Shelbyville tournament and Mascoutah conference for his weight class.

No escape Waiting for the pin to be called, Colby Schrumpf, 10, squeezes his opponent tightly. Schrumpf is often recognized for his ability to keep his opponents in a hold and also to attempt numerous holds to make the pin.

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"I knew we could take conference if everyone stayed focused and we did."

"It was the best season we ever had and I was glad to be a part of it."

"This was one of the best, if not the best team I have ever coached. In my 11 years as a coach, I know it was the most balanced team. A team cannot have that kind of success without outstanding young men."

The wrestling team proved to be strong competitors in the MVC. They started off the season with an infinite amount of wins, pins and sticks. They finished victorious in winning the Mississippi Valley Conference for the first time in their history. It is safe to say that the Bulldogs were a force to be reckoned with. Individual achievements went to Captain Matt Weidner, 12, Drew Rankin, 12, Andrew Ernst, 10 and Kurt Haller, 11.
Only the best!
Smiling bright, the cheerleaders show off their first place trophy at the state competition in Springfield. The girls competed against 27 other squads from throughout the state.

What it's all about!
Misty-eyed, Jessica Conrad, 10, and Jackie Eilers, 10, celebrate their victory at the state competition. Undoubtedly, the cheerleading season built many great friendships.

Finally a break!
Swinging in the breeze, the JV cheerleaders take a break during a grueling day at camp. The cheerleaders took first place honors at the camp in the home cheer and best dance division.
Going up!
Pushing hard to reach the top, the cheerleaders practice hundreds of hours throughout the year to perfect their pyramids and routines. They may go an entire month without a single day off.

Not without dad
Amanda Riehmann, 10, and her father share a moment after the awards ceremony at the state competition. Cheerleading does not just involve the cheerleaders but also many hours of work by their parents behind the scenes.

Junior varsity cheerleaders
Gonna make you cheer!

By: Ryan Wegryzn

Twisting through the year, the JV cheerleaders worked hard to regain the state title after the disappointing loss of the previous year. The sixteen member squad spent countless hours every day perfecting their tumbling and stunting skills. All their determination paid off in the end with a flawless routine at the state championship in Springfield, bringing home the fifth first place trophy in the past six years.
Eye of the tiger
Shauna Holcmann, 11, pumps up the crowd with her attitude and a smile. It is not all smiles and winks that make a good routine, but gritted teeth and fierce eyes that set it apart from the rest.

Taking it again
Beth Bergman, 12, and Amber Schwierjohn, 12, explode with joy as the cheerleaders are named state champs for yet another year. The girls are happy to go out their senior years on top.

Larger than life
The cheerleaders execute their opening mount at the state competition. This pyramid is considered one of the simplest stunts in their routine.
Just our luck
The varsity cheerleaders share a moment with their fellow champion friends from Thornwood High School at the state competition.

Staying together!
Sherri Koehnemann, 12, and Jami Potthoff, 10, give each other a hug at the state competition. The cheerleaders are a close group of individuals.

Holy moly...
We’re back again!

By: Ryan Wegryzn

With precision and enthusiasm, the varsity cheerleaders made their presence known at every event they attended. Throughout the year, the eighteen member squad strove to be the best at everything they did. The group practiced countless hours, going weeks without a single day off. They set their minds to a goal and refused to let anyone stop them. In the end, their blood, sweat and tears were small prices to pay for the I.C.C.A. state title.
Freshman team
Front Row: Jessica Bohle, Courtney Winet
Middle Row: Erica Ross, Coach Dawn Steiner, Coach Jill Cryder, Coach Theresa Tucker, Mindy Knebel
Back Row: Crissy Harris, Jesse Koerkenmeier, Jennifer Halverson, Jackie Koerkenmeier, Jamie Wildhaber, Michelle Watts

On the run
On her way to the basket, Sarah Ulrich, 10, speeds away from her trailing defenders.

Timeout talk
Coach Theresa Tucker explains her next plan of attack as Jennifer Mettler, 10, Tara Holzinger, 11, and Heather Thole, 10, grab a quick drink.
A learning experience

The backup plan

By: Ani Herzberg

The junior varsity basketball team consisted of a well-rounded group of athletes, including five juniors, six sophomores and ten freshman. The team demonstrated great leadership. With the goal of "just having fun," the JV team's purpose was to train the varsity team and bring them to their best level of play. The JV Lady Bulldogs ended the season with a 9-9 record.

I enjoyed being a role model on our team for the underclassmen. Throughout all the difficulties, I kept this in mind and enjoyed the season." Tara Holzinger, 11

"We had a terrific season, though our record didn't show it. We had a great group of seniors and they will be missed. I can't wait until next season." Jennifer Rehberger, 10

"It was a real experience playing with the older girls. We had a lot of fun. I learned many fundamentals that I will carry with me for next year." Jamie Wildhaber, 9
Ready or not...
The girls huddle in an attempt to intimidate their opponents and prepare themselves for an intense game.

Ready to rebound?
Jamie May, 12, takes a deep breath and prepares herself for a chance to rebound. She later commented “We didn’t do as well as I had hoped to this season, but I still had a good time!”

Scary shots
Stacey Marks, 11, looks at the ball with exasperation and frustration before making her foul shot. Stacey says “I was just trying to concentrating and give it my all—just like all of the girls on the team.”
Slipping away
The ball escapes the grasp of Jene Klostermann, 12. Jene set numerous records this year, both personal and for the team.

The perfect shot
Jennifer Koisher, 12, concentrates as she prepares herself for an intense foul shot.

Girls have record breaking season
Watch out WNBA!

& the Girls V. Basketball

By: Theresa Ames

The Lady Bulldogs used talent and teamwork to set a number of team records this season. The new records for team rebounds, steals and blocked passes were a great accomplishment for the girls. The team finished with a record of 12-16 for both conference and non conference games, but was able to end on a positive note by winning the last two games. Next year with the return of at least seven varsity players, the team is guaranteed success.
Quick drive
Plowing between two defenders, Nick Barnett, 11, drives to the hoop. By beating their opponents on the dribble, many opportunities were made for the offense to score.

Rebound that ball
Boxing out for a rebound Louis Staley, 9, awaits the outcome of the shot. Looking on, Joe Malisia, 10, also anticipates the shot, hoping for a rebound.
Diving for the ball in a close game against Waterloo is Louis Staley, 9. With the combination of hustle and winning attitudes, the JV team pulled off another successful year.

Looking for help Louis Staley, 9, distributes the ball to an open teammate. Smart passes and heads up play gave the boys many opportunities to score.

JV team gains experience.

Hoopin' it up

Nathan Mezo, 11
"We had an overall tough year. The team lost a couple games that we should have won, and our record didn’t show how good we are."

Ben Gallatin, 11
"With ending over .500, I thought that we had a great year. It gave us a chance to learn and work on our skills. Next year I hope for more playing time."

Kyle Ribbing, 11
"It was fun playing JV. We had a winning season, and JV gave us more experience. One thing we need to work on is teamwork."

Final Results

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By: Ian Linenfelser

"This was a productive and successful season. Many of our players showed improvement in their skills. The team had much success after Christmas break. The junior varsity players will make up the core of the varsity team next year."

he junior varsity basketball team improved their skills in hopes of competing at the varsity level next year. The players had many chances to develop the basketball fundamentals needed to compete. It also provided the opportunity for players to experience more time on the court. The team ended the year with a 9-8 record. With this .500 record, the Bulldog’s Basketball program future is looking bright.
Ball control
Tyson Zobrist, 12, protects the ball as he is double teamed. With his body between the opposing players and the ball, he is able to kill the clock and retain the lead.

Closing in
Junior guard Nathan Mezo, 11, holds the ball and looks for an open teammate to pass to. With Jerseyville Panthers approaching, he must make a quick decision and fly in for the score.

Standing tall
The varsity team gets into position for a loose ball. Several Jerseyville Panthers attempt to gain position to get to the ball first. Our team, however, beat them to the punch.

& V. Basketball
Standing tall
Brendon Delaney, 10, is guarded by an opposing player while looking for an opening in the lane. Although the score was close the entire game, the team pulled through and beat the Warriors.

Driving lessons
Tim Gould, 10, assesses the situation as he dribbles down the court. When he sees an opening in the lane, he drives to the hoop for an easy layup. Defenders watch as he flies past them.

Plagued with inexperience, the team realizes....

Winning isn’t everything

By: Michael Robinson

Led by Coach Faulkenberg, the varsity basketball team ended its season with a 7-19 record. Although their record wasn’t astounding, the team had a number of achievements. For the first time in three years, the varsity squad won a game at the Mater Dei Christmas tournament. One of the most thrilling wins of the season was against Triad on their Senior Night. Even though the team didn’t have much experience, they showed plenty of school pride by their hard work and determination.

Scores

Final scores

& Coach Coach Faulkenberg

51 CM 50
52 Triad 63
48 Waterloo 64
49 Mascoutah 52
55 Jerseyville 54
71 Waterloo 56
51 Jerseyville 54
74 Triad 67
48 CM 58
53 Mascoutah 56

“Although the numbers don’t show it, I thought that we were not a bad team. The young players will have a lot more experience to draw on next year.”

Justin Rittenhouse, 12

“I had three goals this season: win a game at the Mater Dei Holiday Tournament, have fun, and go above .500. Well, two out of three ain’t bad.”

Tyson Zobrist, 12

“Things could have been better. We worked hard but it never seemed like we won. I will always remember the fun I had with my teammates.”

Justin Cryder, Nathan Mezo

Back Row: Denny Ammann, Jared Goestenkors, Joe Malisia, Kyle Ribbing, Nick Barnett, Justin Rittenhouse, Brendon Delaney, T.J. Cryder

Front Row: Ben Gallatin, Matt Lewis, Tim Gould, Coach Cryder, Coach Faulkenburg, Coach Wright, Tyson Zobrist, Justin Cryder, Nathan Mezo

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The spring sports season proved to be successful for the many teams and individuals that brought home awards for their accomplishments. The boys tennis team was quite the stalwart once again, while surprises were many for the varsity baseball team. There were disappointments as weather conditions virtually destroyed the junior varsity baseball team’s season. However, it did prove to be an exciting time for everyone.
Drag bunt
Attempting to lay down a bunt, John Messerli, 9, squares up perfectly in his effort.

Rock and fire
Ben Gittersonke, 10, rears back and lets it fly for the JV baseball team.

Champions
Sherri Koehnemann, 12, Danielle Koishor, 12, and Jamie Maedge, 12, proudly display their tournament plaque.
Ready and waiting
With eyes focused on their opponents, **Drew Neudecker, 12**, and **Phil Zappia, 12**, prepare to attack any tennis ball hit their direction. Neudecker and Zappia won first place in the #3 doubles slot.

Smooth swing
Following through with perfect forehand motion, **Devin Heisner, 12**, carefully watches the ball he has just sent sailing over the net. Heisner played #4 singles and finished second in the conference.

Concentration
Taking a deep breath, **Bryan Boudouris, 11**, steps back a moment to contemplate his next strategic move. Boudouris finished first place in the #2 singles spot and second place in #1 doubles.
Chillin' Relaxing before their own matches, Jonathon Halvorson, 11, Adam Fernandez, 12, Grady Richata, 12, and Kirk Linenfelser, 12, support and encourage their fellow teammates from behind the fence.

Boys tennis team crowned MVC Champs

No love here!

By: Janae Barker

Proving to be true champions the boys tennis team served and volleyed their way through a phenomenal season. With new head coach, Mr. Toennies, in command, they continued a winning tradition with an outstanding 15-1 record. Due to their incredible athletic abilities, the team captured the MVC Championship, and went on to place third in sectionals. Team members, Sam Myint, 12, and Bryan Boudouris, 11, also advanced to the state level.

Devin Heisner, 12
"I would like to thank Mr. Toennies for coming in as a first year coach and doing such a great job. With him as coach, the other seniors and I had a blast."

Sam Myint, 12
"Let me hear you say '43in' ain't easy! This year we had a great season with a great coach. Conference champs, baby!"

Phil Zappia, 12
"We had a really great year despite a few problems. Halvorson and Fernandez share a brain."

Devon Boudouris, 11
"Statistically, this is one of the best teams this school has seen in over 20 years. When speaking in terms of character, poise, sportsmanship and heart, the individuals on this team represent one of the best tennis squads in this school's history."

Final Record 15-1
Roxana W
Jerseyville W
Civic Memorial W
Metro-East Lutheran W
Mascoutah W
Waterloo W
Edwardsville L
Greenville W
Triad W
Effingham St. Anthony W
Collinsville W
Vandalia W
Hillsboro W

MVC Champs - 27 pts.
3rd place at sectionals

Hop, skip, jump

With momentum at her back, Jene Klostermann, 12, rockets high into the air during the MVC meet.

Getting loose
Michelle Watts, 9, Rebekah Shea, 10, Jessie Koerkenmeier, 9, and Jackie Koerkenmeier, 9, stretch to avoid pulling muscles in their race.

Successful finish
Keeping her balance, Erin Strackeljahn, 12, hits the sand landing on both feet.

& Girls Track
Stephanie Weiss, 12
"It has been a super season, I strived to meet my personal goals and succeeded when I qualified for state."

Jenni Mitchell, 11
"We had a successful season, although our team was young. We will just have an even stronger team for next season."

Sarah Wilkenson, 9
"Being a freshman the upperclassman had a big influence on me. They were a great group of girls, whom I will miss."

Smooth sailing
Gliding effortlessly over a hurdle. Dena Korte, 9, hopes to catch her opponent at the turn.

Faultless form
Leyna Drazen, 10, sports her perfect running style as she sprints to the end of her race.

Track team sends three seniors to state
Ready, set, go!

By: Ani Herzberg
The girls track team was composed of dedicated runners who continually tried to surpass their personal goals. Many returning harriers helped their new teammates to adjust to their grueling routine. Though most of the freshman had little experience, they demonstrated their individual skills in long distance runs, hurdles, and relays. Practices were held at Glik Park, the parking lot, and local neighborhoods because the track was under construction. Needless to say, there were no home meets.
Off on the right foot
Dustin Talleur, 12, attempts to attain the lead in the beginning of the 1600 meter race. He knows that getting a good start is vital to how well he will finish.

Moving right along
Nathan Robinson, 9, gets ready to take the handoff and run the next leg of the race. Danny Klaus, 11, finishes his leg in the 400 meter relay race.

Staying cool
Some tracksters wait around for their events to begin. Mark Blakey, 11, shows his enthusiasm and uses his headphones to get him in a competitive mood.
Poetry in motion
Chris Stahl, 10, and Danny Weakly, 10, leap smoothly over the hurdles at the Salem meet. Throughout the season these two and the rest of the team improved by leaps and bounds.

Running for the finish
Freshman standout Daniel Strackeljahn, 9, runs steadily onward as he tries to endure the one mile race. Off in the distance, other tracksters watch and cheer for their teammates.

Tracksters make the best of inexperience

Right on track

"We were a young team this year, but through hard work, we built a great deal of strength. We hold a lot of potential which will insure a competitive season next year". Dale Sweetnam, 11

The experience that all of us younger guys got was great. We had an awesome season and I am really looking forward to next year". Nathan Robinson, 9

"I am really proud of this team. This is my last year, and I would have never thought this team would compete as well as they have." Matt Nolte, 12

"This team has really impressed me. Throughout the season they worked extremely hard. Although many of the other teams were much older and experienced than we were, we still competed with them and posed a threat in any situation. The future is definitely very promising for this young and now more experienced track team".

The varsity track team, led by coach Loren Baele, had a much younger look this year. The varsity squad lost eight seniors from last year's team, leaving only four seniors to lead the more than fifteen newcomers to the program. At conference, the team captured second place. Daniel Strackeljahn, 9, placed first in both the one and two mile races. Being this competitive in the conference proves that the future looks very bright for this young, energetic squad.
Down and dirty
In an intense moment, Nicole Rezabek, 10, turns to tag the opposing runner out at third while Kristen Gianino, 9, and Sarah Weiss, 9, run in for quick backup.

Swingin' time
Kristi Drda, 10, drives a knee high strike down in the dirt toward the first and second basemen for another base hit.

Close one
Backing away fast for the inside pitch, Nicki Alexander, 9, keeps a close eye on what is a strike and a ball.
A long walk home
In between innings, Amanda Gallatin, 9, runs in to get ready for another one, two, three inning while Amy Henschen, 10, walks in behind.

Pitchin' In mid-motion, Courtney Winet, 9, aims precisely for the strikeout as Kristi Drda, 10, is down and ready for fast defense.

New changes did not slow down the JV softball team

**Heading for home**

Amy Henschen, 10, “The most memorable thing was when Nicole had to crawl to third base to make an out as well as all the fun we had playing together as a team.”

Charlotte Weiss, 9, “One of the most embarrassing moments was when I was running home at the Roxana game and slipped and fell on my butt across home plate.”

Jessica Massey, 9, “I feel that for being such a young team, the JV team worked hard and accomplished many of their goals.”

The JV team has shown improvements from the beginning of the season. With as young of a team as we had, I feel our record was respectable. The experience we obtained will help us out a great deal next season. The goals they achieved can be carried with them throughout their life: never giving up and sticking together through the hard times and good times.”

The JV softball team had a tough start to their season playing some of the best teams right off the bat. Losing some games by a close margin, the team was still driven to remain strong. With a record of 7-11 the young team, under the direction of Coach Ford, worked hard to pursue goals of winning and becoming better softball players. In the end, the JV softball team was able to overcome their problems and because of their dedication, they played effectively.
And the pitch
Aiming low, Shauna Holcmann, 11, picks her angle and stretches out to reach an outside pitch.

Homerun hitter
Stretching out her shoulders, Shauna Holcmann, 11, prepares to hit another one out of the park and show off her homerun stroll.

Ready to play
Looking on, Eileen Holthaus, 11, Jennifer Branch, 11, Amiee Bochantin, 11, Sherri Koehnemann, 11, and Jennifer Mettler, 10, watch their fellow teammates play hard at Glik park.
Bench warmers
Standing outside the fence, Jennifer Branch, 11, and Eileen Hotthaus, 11, enjoy yet another softball game in the sun.

A little chat
Standing on the pitcher's mound, the girls huddle-up for a little pep talk from catcher Danielle Koishor, 12.

Varsity softball keeps it together all season
Major league

Shauna Holmann, 11
"I had much fun this year, I think we really played well as a team instead of just twelve individuals."

Danielle Koishor, 12
"Being a part of the softball team has meant a lot to me the last four years. I am really going to miss all the girls and especially Coach Ramsey!"

Michelle Frey, 10, "I had a great time this year! Being one of the youngest players, I feel like the older girls accepted us with open arms."

"The girls worked extremely hard and pushed themselves to the end. I am truly proud of all of them; they stuck together and gave it all they had. For being such a young team they accomplished some amazing things."

By: Ryan Wegryn

The way the varsity softball team played during practices determined the outcomes of their games. The team worked hard to master the ability to achieve perpetual glory and defeat all competition. Due to weather difficulties, the season started off slowly but picked up as the sun began to shine and dry out the ground. The qualities required to play the game well included confidence, tolerance and maturity. This team possessed all these attributes and they were able to capture many wins for themselves and the school.
Always on his toes, Brian Drazen, 9, hops up on the ball to fire it into second.

Keepin' em in check
Checking the runner at third, Dave Harvick, 10, winds up to throw some heat home.
Blast off!
Tim Nagel, 10, tries to make the play from deep right field by throwing a rocket into first base.

Practice practice...
Anticipating a grueling game ahead, Todd Luitjohan, 10, warms up by tossin' the ball 'round the horn a few times.

Look at me, I can be, centerfield
Kings of swing

By Joshua Volz

Both the JV and freshmen baseball teams focused on each game as a learning experience. Many of the freshmen stepped up to the challenge of playing for both JV and freshmen teams. Each player's determination was tested time and time again but the teams pulled together to find wisdom in each other. Despite a few devastating losses, the teams put this season away with dignity and strength.
The next "Big Mac"
A throng of Bulldog players congratulate Mike Frey, 12, on another great hit.

Determination
With a grimace on his face, Chris Frey, 9, hurls another tough pitch toward the batter.

Mixed personality
Dusty Barr, 12, gets a break from his usual pitching duties to play first base.

Determina[...
"Our team got along better than any one I've ever been on. We were like a family. What benefited us the most was my getting more massive every year." Jason Wiegand, 12  

"I believe the guys on our team are the best kids in school. Everyone on the team cared about each other, and worked hard for a great season." Mike Frey, 12  

"I really enjoyed my last year on the baseball team. I had much fun, and the season highlight was definitely beating Triad." Jake Gutzler, 12  

Baseball team relies on each other for winning season  

Throwin' heat  

By: Tom Timmermann  

The boys baseball team enjoyed another successful season. The team included a variety of talented players. Pitcher, Tim Walter, 12, signed to play collegiate baseball before the season even began, and Jake Gutzler, 12, earned All Conference honors. The younger members of the team learned many skills from the elder members; however, it was the combined efforts of all the players that resulted in a winning season.
The many academic departments offer diverse, educational and exciting programs for students. Seldom do students wishes go unfulfilled concerning the type of education they want to pursue. To top it all off, the faculty provides a tremendous source of wisdom and support. Each and every academic department enriches the life of the student body.
What?
Theresa Ames, 12, ponders what exactly she is hearing from a fellow journalism member.

Cool cats
Kristin Foehne, 11, and Rachel Hooker, 11, act out a scene from *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* in their English class.

Geometry
Mrs. Massey works out a geometry problem for her students.
Lord of the Flies
Mrs. Fredrickson’s class was so intent upon studying their novel that they didn’t even flinch at the camera!

English broadens students’ learning horizons

The “write” stuff

By: Rachel Plocher

The highly qualified teachers of the English Department made learning especially entertaining. The teachers used different activities in conjunction with novels, short stories, plays, and various writing assignments. The English teachers also had a certain knack for keeping everyone on their toes, and looking for new ways to learn from literature.

Time out
Blake Mills, 12, takes a break from his stressful AP English book so that he can talk to his friends.

Lights, camera, action!
Ani Herzberg, 11, and KT Landers, 11, make the play “Streetcar Named Desire” come to life.

Ms. Swank
“I’m so much closer to my jewelry now that I am back and teaching in Highland.”

Mrs. Martz
“Being an English teacher is better than baking coconut pies for the professor. Sharing a hut with that superficial Ginger was getting on my nerves.”

Mrs. Meyer
“Finally my career is revitalized. My new Hollywood gig is playing a beautiful and voluptuous teacher-type casting of course.”
Some R& R
Danielle Frueh, 9, takes a break from the stressful demand of her math class.

x+y...what?
Amy Roblek, 9, concentrates on the confusing basics of Algebra I.

Sign language
James Head, 9, slips in a few moments of fun in hopes to relieve the intense atmosphere.

Students find math is essential in the technological world

Square one
By: Joshua Volz

Keeping up with the constant changes of society, Math was an essential factor in surviving the fast paced technological world. Classes such as Sequential Algebra, algebra, geometry, Algebra II, and Pre-Calculus were offered. Many students exceeded the math requirement by taking three or more years of Math. A brave few students went on to take calculus and AP Calculus, and were rewarded by the opportunity to receive college credit for their efforts.

Mr. Naylor
"One memorable moment was when Yoshi Onishi was videotaping my class for her teachers in Japan. Now I will be the envy of the teachers at Highland."

Mr. Hawkins
"I don't have one distinct memory. The kids this year were an interesting bunch."

Mrs. Massey
"Geometry is much more than triangles, circles, and rectangles. It's all around us."

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The joy of a new room
Mr. Meyer's students rejoice at the prospect of moving out of their open classroom into a room with a door.

Exploring new frontiers

H2O here we go

By: Natalie Ingram

The science department benefited greatly from the expansion of the school. They were presented with new laboratories and equipment, along with larger classrooms. Mr. Parker was happy to finally have a lab of his own in which to conduct his top secret physics experiments. After years of juggling labs, students, and classrooms, all the science teachers finally have their own space!

Mr. Parker
"Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls. Cliff Parker is my name and physics is my business. Are you surprised?"

Mrs. Mertes
"New rooms, new labs and fantastic new experiences."

Mrs. Ramsey
"The spacious rooms give adequate cushion between myself and the freshman biology classes."

Deep in thought
Anna Hansen, 9, and Brandi Boyer, 9, discuss the next step of their science experiment.

Clowning around
While Ms. Kohnen tries to explain the homework assignment to Travis Hollenkamp, 9, Sam Stalhut, 10, tries his hardest to be the class clown.
Students enjoy new opportunities

Making history

By: Theresa Ames

The social studies department taught history and made history this year with its move to the new wing. The teachers and students had the pleasure of residing in rooms without duct tape and Ms. Kay finally had a door. Along with the addition of the new wing, the arrival of Mr. Appel provided new opportunities and experiences for the students who participated in his classes.

Ms. Kay

Ms. Kay is a true historian at heart; her quote "Give me history or give me death" proves she is a teacher to the core.

Mr. Appel

"I have had a great year. Many thanks to my students for giving one-hundred percent!"

Mr. Vogelman

Mr. Vogelman gave us a way of perceiving history as a tool for the present by stating, "To teach history is to train the future."
New computers give students a new outlook on

Risky Business

By: Dena Tebbe

Accounting, product marketing, info processing, and business law were just a few of the business courses offered by the business department. These classes allowed students to decide whether or not they wanted to pursue similar related courses in college or as a career. The majority of the business students were also members of Business Professionals of America, an organization designed to give students real life business experience.
Marty Landmann, 12, sits with ease on the beams for the roof of the housing project.

Craig Henschen, 12, and Matt Weidner, 12, lend a helping hand high up on the construction site.

Working man
Dressed in protective gear, Matt Workman, 9, welds together two pieces of metal.

Hands-on activities provide educational experiences for students’ futures

And the sparks fly

By: Rene Mettler

Walk into Mr. Baele’s room and the first thing that greets the visitor is a mass of computers, hardly something one would think of when visiting an industrial arts classroom. Mr Baele has brought new life to the department, focusing on technology in his courses. Across the hall banging, clanking and buzzing is heard from Mr. Schaefer’s room. Mr. Schaefer’s courses teach the concepts of welding, torching and electricity. Teaching students through hands-on activities gave them an education useful for a future in industrial arts.

“Mr. Baele
“We were trying to bring Industrial arts to new levels. Computers are becoming such an everyday thing and it’s definitely a big part of our department.”

Mr. Schaefer
“I would like to congratulate the class of 1999 and may your high school diploma be like a checking account with an endless supply of money.”

Mr. Jones
“The class of 1999 has made major contributions towards this department. It will never be the same after the passing of the millennium.”
Look of perfection
Scott Brave, 12, allows fellow French students to create a chic coif for him.

Students learn the fundamentals of other cultures

Foreign affairs

By: Erin Strackeljahn

Diligently-Spanish students practiced with their profesora, focusing on verbs. Interested- French students learned of a culture by speaking the language. Students in a foreign language class had the opportunity for a more diverse future. The faculty made their classes interesting by showing educational movies, reading bilingual books and occasionally cooking cultural foods.

Creative outlook
With a steady hand, Erin McKenna, 12, writes her Spanish presentation, while Sarah Tebbe, 12, puts finishing touches on her map of Spain.

Mapa de Espana
Discussing the location of the Quadaquvir river Ben Gallatin, 11, Kristin Johnson, 11, and Amy Urban, 11, attempt to find the correct location.

Mrs. Twyford
“My Spanish I and Spanish II students are ‘el mejor.’”

Mrs. Thebus
“La cre’me de la cre’mes are the French students.”

Mrs. Deets
“Only the best students appear in my class.”
Art classes are different from the everyday academic routine. Classes like drawing and design let students explore many different techniques, as well as experimenting with painting, sculpture, and graphics. The students can create any project imaginable, from the expected painting and sculptures, to outrageous outdoor sculptures and automotive interior design.
Alcohol test
Jessica Plocher, 10, is given a blood alcohol test by officer Tom Anglin.

The body is the mind tool
P.E., health, and driver's ed.

By: Ani Herzberg

Mr. Tom Anglin made visits to driver's education classes during DUI week to inform and warn the students about the dangers of drinking and driving. The students learned more about their own health, CPR, and first aid. Exercising what they learned in health class, the students put their knowledge to use in regular and conditioning P.E. classes. Different activities such as tennis, archery, and bowling made the class more enjoyable for the students.

Ms. Harrison
“True happiness comes when you can look at yourself and like what you see.”

Ms. Plater
“The smallest good deed is better than the largest good intention.”

Mr. Kantner
“We had a good year. Students learned a great deal about themselves.”

Tennis anyone?
Ready to win their tennis match are Lindsey Boda, 9, and Kelley Miller, 9.

Rodeo!
Derek Horn, 12, Paul Scherschel, 11, Joe Jackson, 11, Ms. Harrison and Jeannie Nagel, 12, were given honors for their driving abilities at the Safe Driving Rodeo.
Is it ready yet? Ryan Wegrzyn, 12, and Joe Wellen, 11, check the texture of their bread amidst the foods room chaos.

Spring flour Things get a little messy for Sarah Rinderer, 9, and Christine Hulesmann, 9, during foods class.

Heatin' things up Dave Harvick, 9, and Mike DeNap, 9, share conversation over the permeating smells of the foods room.

The home economics department was full of laughter, practicality and important life lessons. Students and teachers alike enjoyed the fundamental principles and hands on work of which the classes consisted. Instructions on subjects such as how to balance a checkbook, live on a budget, and life as a parent were all important parts of the core curriculum taught in home economics.

Ms. Garcia
"I hope every student takes the time to investigate his career before he graduates high school."

Ms. Heap
"I feel all students should take advantage of FCS classes to gain skills and knowledge needed for everyday living."

Mrs. Bretzlaff
"I like teaching foods because there are a wide variety of students and it's a hands on class."

Instructions for real life

Homeward bound

By: Tarra Arrington

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Success!
The Jazz Choir competes at a festival for the first time since the choir began three years ago. The Jazz took home a superior rating, and first overall.

Monkeying around
Katie Landers, 11, takes her mind off rehearsals by clowning around.

Using music in everyday school life
On a musical note

By: Ian Linenfelser

Chorus classes provided an outlet for anyone interested in singing. As a group, they participated at many competitions, brought home several awards, and served as the entertainment for many events. Some of the students also competed at the Solo/Ensemble Contest and for spots at the Illinois Music Educators Association Music Festival. Through music, the students enjoyed worthwhile tunes while learning a few singing techniques.

Pete Babic, 11
"Music - wow! What an impact it had on me. It is not as lame as everyone thinks; it's fun. Give it a try! Everybody listens to music."

Mrs. Ruebhausen
"I've learned talent without discipline is like an octopus on roller skates. There is plenty of movement, but you never know if it's going to be forward, backward or sideways." Anon.

Ian Linenfelser, 12
"Music is food for the soul. Without it, every day activities would become boring. I hope to give the public the chance to love music as I do."
Look at me
Pete Babic, 11, and Jason Pike, 11, entertain themselves after a strenuous rehearsal.

Perfection
Practice makes perfect, as some of the chorus students show us. Through hard work and dedication the choirs were able to achieve their goals.

Ready or not....
Hoping extra work will pay off, chorus students study a piece of difficult music.
Girl power!
Kristen Walberg, 12, Jenny Poss, 12, Stephanie Voigt, 12, Jeannie Nagel, 12, Jamie Maedge, 12, Theresa Ames, 12, and Amanda Jimenez, 12 show their companionship after completing another halftime show.

Band marches toward the millenium
"Paws" for the music

By: Julie Plocher

The Marching Bulldogs progressed to many new levels, all thanks to director Jim Childers. With their fall field show consisting of Broadway musical tunes, the band took 2nd place at both the Marion Octoberfest and the Newton Marching Eagle Classic. In addition to this, drum majors John Schaefer, 12, Jeannie Nagel, 12, and Drew Neudecker, 12, placed first at Marion. The colorguard, led by Jamie Maedge, 12, and Amanda Jimenez, 12, placed 4th at EIU’s competition. Also, in a parade competition at Effingham, the band placed 1st.

To try something new, the band was split into the symphonic and concert bands. The symphonic band achieved a Division I rating at the IHSA state contest for the first time since 1993. The band ended with the spring concert and the annual Fine Arts Banquet in May. It was truly a year of accomplishments for a very deserving band.

Mr. Jim Childers
"The progress and growth over the past two years has been tremendous. The band's hard work has really paid off."

Drew Neudecker, 12
"Being a drum major has helped a lot with my leadership skills. I'm glad to have been part of such a successful band."

Amanda Jimenez, 12
"It was a great honor to work with such talented girls. Being co-captain of the flags was a wonderful experience I will always cherish."
Everybody swing! The jazz band performs at the Fine Arts Banquet in May to the delight of the audience.

The beat goes on
Daniel Strackeljahn, 9, and Kevin Thole, 12, wait impatiently with the rest of the drum line for the parade to begin.
Sneaking out
An overworked and underpaid Tarra Arrington, 11, rushes out of school to run a Journalism errand.

Iris puts forth extra effort for a good book

Journalism
By: Theresa Ames and Scott Brave

The Journalism staff had the pleasure of creating a new and unique yearbook that was different from past editions. This year's book focused on straight lines, traditional styles, and uniform layouts. The class was composed of mostly new members, and the Iris also signed on with a new publisher. These changes were often challenging, but with hard work and dedication the students produced a classic book that they consider a real award winner.
IRIS
The IRIS staff shows its muscle helping out with construction of the new library. Don't they look tough?

The queen speaks
Words of wisdom from photo editor Rene Mettler, 12, keep students on their toes, as Erin Strackeljahn, 12, works on finances.

Circle of friends
Amiee Bochantin, 11, Kateri Shiffer, 11, Rachel Plocher, 11, Natalie Ingram, 11, and Ryan Wegryn, 12, lounge after a hard day.

Techie
Dane Kantner, 12, saves the day once again with his boundless computer expertise.
Events

By: Scott Brave

The special events that occur during a year always make the memories people reminisce about. Many memories were made at homecoming, prom and graduation. Virtually everyone was impressed by some special moment. These moments are the ones that last a lifetime.

Floating away
On the football homecoming float, the football players entertain the crowd with their antics.

Music to my ears
Ian Linenfels, 12, Drew Neudecker, 12, and Janae Barker, 11, act out a scene from the musical.

Nice scarf!
Kevin Thole, 12, and Julie Plocher, 12, wait at Silver Lake for a group picture before making their way to the prom.
What an outfit!

In his post-prom attire, Drew Rankin, 12, is content to sit back and relax after a night of dancing.

Medieval

Cathy Eley, 11, and Joe Crawford, 10, adorned in their madrigal costumes entertain the throng of guests.

Friends forever

Gathering at the prom are Jennifer Zobrist, 12, Rebecca Thurman, 12, Nonie Ehike, 12, and Amanda Beard, 12.
All hail the king
Mr. Jones's loyal subjects
Marty Landmann, 12, Jennifer Barth, 12, Craig Henschen, 12, Matt Frey, 12, and Derek Horn, 12, prepare for the ceremonial procession of candidates for the faculty throne.

Leader of the pack
Dustin Luber, 9, leads a pack of rowdy dancers parading around the floor at the dance.

Only the strong survive
Chris Lackey, 12, and J.C. Lairson, 12, battle it out while arm wrestling during lunch.

Your highness
King Drew Neudecker, 12, and Queen Rene Mettler, 12, dance around the royal throne following their coronation.

Bring it on!
Kyle Vogt, 12, Casey Adolph, 12, and Mike Berne, 12, roll play the three amigos as they wait for the dancing to begin.

& Homecoming
Kokomo Tan 654-6761 2625 Plaza Drive
Kambe Original Brides 654-4391 2762 Troxler Way
Homecoming is a lot of fun. I enjoy the time I have to spend with my friends at coronation dancing and cheering for the court. Brian Pye, 11.

“I got to dance with Theresa Ames, I am the man! I am so blessed to dance with the queen of yearbook. Tonight is a good night to be Tom Timmermann.”
Tom Timmermann, 12

Dressed for success
Ms. Kay sadly admits, “It was a trying time for me to lose the crown, but I knew the time to pass on the duties of my throne had to come someday. I can still cry!”

No competition
Amy Henschen, 10, Becka Shea, 10, Jennifer Reberger, 10, and John Gaffner, 10, model their legs. John proudly asserts; “I have the best legs.”

Midnight Masquerade
No masks but memories made

By: Erin Strackeljahn and Rachel Plocher

Homecoming was a jam packed week of events that everyone got involved in. Sunday afternoon, students decorated floats for the homecoming parade. They then went to the Volleyball tournament at Silver Lake. Other activities during the week included arm wrestling, pie eating, limbo and karaoke contests. Friday was the pep rally. Mr. Jones and Mrs. Twyford became the Faculty King and Queen. They looked on as the football team busted a move with the Dance Team in "Cool Rider." At the football game that night, the Bulldogs defeated Mascoutah 22-13. At the Homecoming Dance, Drew Neudecker and Rene Mettler were crowned King and Queen, and Crystal Knackstedt and Matt Frey were crowned Special Maid and Special Escort.

The best part about the pie eating contest was shoving my face into the pie and getting it all over. I think Justin deserved to win, because he obviously has the largest mouth! Also, I would like to say that the girls who participated in this contest deserve a pat on the back. I will be ready for the competition next year. Then, I will show everyone who the real pie eating king is. Justin Cryder better be training in the offseason, or else I will put him to shame.”

Danny Thomas, 11

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Homecoming Court

Freshman Court
Colin Durbin, Jamie Wildhaber, Lindsey Gilomen, Dave Harvick

Sophomore Court
Chad Jakel, Jennifer Rehberger, Joe Maliia, Jessica Ribbing, Jackie Eilers, Todd Luitjohan, Kim Byers, Matt Lewis

Junior Court
Kyle Ribbing, Stephanie Trame, Jared Goestenkors, Rachel Plocher, Ryan Henrichs, Brandi Oliver, Stephanie Neudecker, Eric Nanney, Shauna Holcmann, Justin Cryder, Janae Barker, Nick Zaloga
Here kitty, kitty
Andy Messerli, 11, looks "right stiddy" into the eyes of a dead cat, a cure for warts according to Messerli's character, Huck Finn. Huck's counterpart is Tom Sawyer, played by Colin Durbin, 9.

The rain is coming
Randy Pierson, 9, hammers away on his ark as Noah, in Noah and the Bureaucrat. This is the first stage production that Randy has been involved in.

The interview
Cathy Eley, 11, interviews Mark Twain, portrayed by Andy Messerli, 11. Twain confuses his interviewer by giving her incorrect dates and false stories about his early life.

Giddyup!
Cathy Eley, 11, the jackass, saves Bryan Boudouris, 11, the Germanic prince, from certain doom in the dark woods.

The Cast
Advice to little girls
Natalie Schieper, 9, gives advice on how to be a good little girl. Although many of her plans would not work in the world today, they were still good for a laugh.

Young love
Colin Durbin, 9, and Leah Bennett, 11, share a moment of romance as Tom and Becky. Tom's confession of a prior engagement to another girl wrecked his chances.

Twain by the Tale
Mark Twain filled his life with interesting quotes and stories. In Twain by the Tale, these elements were combined to create a terrific show.

By: Andy Messerli

The fall play, Twain by the Tale, was a remarkable show filled with wit, wisdom, and insight to the days of Mark Twain. The show was filled with mostly newcomers to the stage. By the quality of acting, no one would have ever been able to tell. The cast had a unique bond and fed off each other's excitement. when one cast member was doing well, everybody shared his excitement and confidence. This helped lead to the success of another fall play.

The Director: Mrs. Vogelman

"Twain by the Tale" was a different sort of play than we usually do. Instead of one storyline, several sets, and a set list of characters, this play consisted of a series of Mark Twain's stories adapted to skits. The actors did a wonderful job portraying several characters each throughout the play. Through quick costume changes and last minute script alterations, everyone kept a positive attitude (even while doing push-ups!). I had a great time and was proud of the cast and crew!
A bunch of Static Guitar players Jake Gutzler, 12, and Scott Brave, 12, pose as minstrels in their spare time between rock stardom and anonymity.

Silent night Captivated by the night's festivities, Anne Emig, 11, waits in awe as the night comes to a close.

The royal family King Stephen and Queen Suzanne rejoice at the arrival of the young Princess Sarah.

Gypsy women Adding their styles and dancing techniques to the dinner, Linnea Sorge, 10, Julie Capelle, 12, Casey Mosby, 12, and Erin Strackeljahn, 12, entertain a peasant crowd with their gypsy magic.

Mmm mmm good Carrie Munie, 11, and Lindsay Hess, 10, enjoy a delicious dinner. When asked about the food, Munie commented, "The dinner is a wonderful way to relax our voices through the night."
Scott Ammann, 9
"Madrigal was an awesome experience. It was an honor to be the only freshman among many talented, more experienced musicians. I made many new friends and it gave me a new perspective on singing that will stay with me forever."

Ian Linenfelser, 12
"As a senior, I have spent a number of years in the madrigal program. In my opinion, it was the most enjoyable experience. I will certainly miss the madrigals. I hope the university I am going to has a program such as ours."

Lady in red
The lovely Sarah Brueggemann, 11, takes the arm of her prince at the head table. Sarah was an excellent addition to the head table with her sonorous singing and speaking abilities.

Off with your head
Matt Brown, 9, looks on as Pete Babic, 11, "tortures" guest Michelle Messerli with a peacock feather after being forced into the stocks. The guests seemed to enjoy such ridicule.

Sing your heart's desire
Sing and chant
The madrigal dinner enjoys success with a new and improved script that includes many new characters and singers.

By: Adam Meffert
Mrs. Suzanne Meyer
"The head table was the best I've worked with. Their outstanding vocal ability and their acting was brilliant!

During performances, I can honestly say I was entertained and intrigued by their ability to remain in character. I know the audience enjoyed our incorporation of the Vogelman's real life love story into our script. Finally, I have to thank all the students who "played the crowd" as beggars, thieves, acrobats, and dancers, making our castle come to life."

Stepping into King Stephen's castle was a real treat for everyone, actor or guest. Even with the "flattened" commons floor, the castle mural painted by Cory Briggs, 12, Charlynn Struckhoff, 12, and Becky Stukenberg, 12, made the setting come to life.

Strolling singers and festively decorated tables added to the holiday mood. The head table was one of the youngest tables ever. None the less, those who attended had a most enjoyable evening."
Tapping away
The dancers added a certain flair to the show and served as an intricate part of the musical.

Kadota
Drew Neudecker, 12, guides Captain Warrington out to find Yellow Feather. Drew's antics as Fleetfoot, the Indian guide, often left the audience rolling in the aisles.

Playing croquet
The young ladies from Eastchester Finishing School share a dance before playing a proper game of croquet in the lovely afternoon sun of Colorado.

Rocky love
Lindsay Hess, 10, and Pete Babic, 11, share an evening of romance at the Colorado Inn.

The cast

& Musical

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There's lots of men
Miss Nancy, played by Amy Kealey, 11, flirts with Ben Horstmann, 11. Miss Nancy had a very bad habit of flirting with every Forest Ranger she met.

Breathe deeply
At Ernestine's request, Janae Barker, 11, Sarah Brueggemann, 11, and Ian Linenfelser, 12, all take a deep breath.

Little Mary Sunshine
Set high in the Rocky Mountains of Colorado, the musical, Little Mary Sunshine, poked fun at the typical Hollywood melodrama.

By: Andy Messerli & Adam Meffert

Ms. Daniels
"I am so happy that the musical was a huge success. The cast and crews worked hard to get the show off and running. I am proud of the students. They worked well together and I feel they became a very close group. Little Mary Sunshine allowed the audience to laugh, smile, and to always 'Look for a Sky of Blue.' How could you possibly leave this show without feeling sunshiny and happy? That's the magic of Little Mary Sunshine."

The musical, Little Mary Sunshine, proved to be another outstanding musical. It had action, humor and even a bit of romance. The show, which featured Janae Barker, 11, as Little Mary and Ian Linenfelser, 12, as Captain Jim Warington, appealed to audiences of all ages. The melodramatic show took place in the Rocky Mountains of Colorado and poked fun at the olden day musicals. It lifted the spirits of all who attended, and recognized the talent and hard work of the students.

John Schaefer, 12
"I really enjoyed performing with so many talented actors and actresses. I was surprised at the abilities of my fellow classmates."

Mike Berne, 12
"The musical was the craziest three months of my life. It was fun and a chance to let loose and be crazy. Everyone should try out next year."
Walking the line
Andy Messerli, 11, tests his walking abilities at the site of the SADD "Mock Crash." The program was held prom week to promote positive decision making by the students attending prom.

Ready for fun
Three handsome young men, Ian Grinter, John Gaffner, and Justin Bolk, are dressed and ready for action!

Feed me
Sharing an intimate dining moment prior to attending the prom are Stephanie Neudecker, 11, and Chris Schwarz, 11.

Summer lovin'
Sarah Tebbe, 12, and Ryan Wegrzyn, 12, dance the night away to the songs of "Grease."

Let's get close
Dancing cheek to cheek are Gerami Henson, 12, and Natalie Ingram, 11. The slow dances gave prom goers an opportunity to snuggle.
Zoot suits again
The reemergence of the zoot suit proved to be popular at the prom. Zoot suiter Andy Stahlhut, 10, looks ready for anything that may come his way.

Hey yo!
Looking very lovely and handsome at prom are Kristi Parker, 10, and Nick Hoffmann, 12.

Party like it's 1999
As evening fell, the sky filled with sparkling stars which cast their magical glow on prom goers below.

by: Kateri Schiffer

Guys donned classic tuxedos and danced next to lovely girls in shimmering dresses at the annual junior/senior prom. Most students agreed that prom was the most special dance of the year. This formal dance was put on by the junior class for juniors, seniors and their guests. It was an unforgettable evening for all who attended. Students danced into the night with the help of a talented disc jockey and his wide selection of popular music. A light show and double video screen also enhanced the electrified atmosphere. The students took the year out in style with the theme of "Party like its 1999."

Christin Michael, 11
"Prom was a lot of fun, and I had a great time. My date was a lot of fun and I danced the whole time. The DJ played a variety of music and the decorations were cool too!"

Anthony Hultz, 11
"I was actually ready to get out of there, but while I was there it was okay."

Vanessa Lienemann, 11
"It was kinda fun. I wish they would've played some more country music, but other than that it was good."

& the Prom
Moment of truth
Amid audience smiles and applause, Terri Zobrist accepts her diploma from Mr. Burgett.

Student voice
Valedictorian Melissa Timmerman speaks to her fellow graduates about their past, present and future.

Graduation day
Pondering the future, this group of graduates seems to be lost in their own thoughts--perhaps of what tomorrow might bring--during the graduation ceremony.

Whew!
John Schaefer's expression reveals his relief and pleasure at this very special moment.

Next row please.....
Rows of graduates move at a steady pace. After all, they are receiving the proof of four years of hard work.
Rene Mettler, 12

"I was honored to be class president and I will always remember my high school years. There will be many memories to cherish in the years to come."

Scott Brave, 12

"Being a valedictorian was a very special honor. Although I will miss high school, I am excited about the future. There are many people here who influenced my life and I will not forget them."

Sing on

Playing to a "hot" crowd, Jake Gutzler strums the popular song, The Time of your Life.

Anticipation

Waiting patiently to receive their diplomas are Tim Walter, Dane Kantner and Sandy Wilson.

Ladies & gentlemen

Graduation 1999

By: Mrs. Martz

The setting for graduation was the gym and the climate was very, very hot! Tears of happiness mixed with droplets of perspiration as the class of 1999 received diplomas from Superintendent Jim Burgett. Instead of a guest speaker, the students who were honored gave inspirational speeches to fellow class members.

Class president Rene Mettler also spoke to her peers, and Josh Kloss and Jake Gutzler entertained the crowd with a song.

Address to the class

The class of 1999 was a special group. Many students earned gold cords and there were eight valedictorians and three salutatorians. The valedictorians were Scott Brave, Tammy Ernst, Jessica Frey, David Gunning, Jene Klostermann, Jamie Maedge, Melissa Timmermann and Jason Weigand. Salutatorians were Matt Nolte, John Schaefer and Terri Zobrist. Above, Tammy Ernst gives her speech to the audience.
Senior Mini-Magazine
By: Julie Plocher

There's been so many changes
It seems so strange to go
I wonder if I've really learned
All I ought to know

I've learned that people change
It's one thing I must accept
And things just don't stay the same
That way, I've taken a step

I can't believe it's over
There's more I wanted to do
So much I wanted to say
Before I was forgotten by all of you

Though the year's been full of changes
Just remember changes come and go
Sometimes they have to happen
Sometimes we have to let go
As the last bell rang and students exited the building, their lives changed forever. For some the thoughts of college loomed in the future; for others job training or a career with immediate beginnings.

No matter where students were going, the memories of the past would follow. The times spent together were priceless while the lessons learned provided the basis for better futures and brighter tomorrows.

Theresa Ames

"For yesterday is but a dream and tomorrow is only a vision, but today well-lived makes every yesterday a dream of happiness and every tomorrow a vision of hope."

Salutation to the Dawn translated from The Sanskrit

It was the Year

The end has come Kyle Warren, 11, Jeff Schroeder, 11, and Bill Hock, 12, say farewell as another chapter of life comes to a close. For some it was just another mundane year, while others had the time of their lives.
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Congratulations Nonie!
You did it! Wishing you the best of luck in everything you do in the future.

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Buckwheat, We are all so proud of you and all you have become.
Wishing you the best in your future endeavors. Go for it!

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