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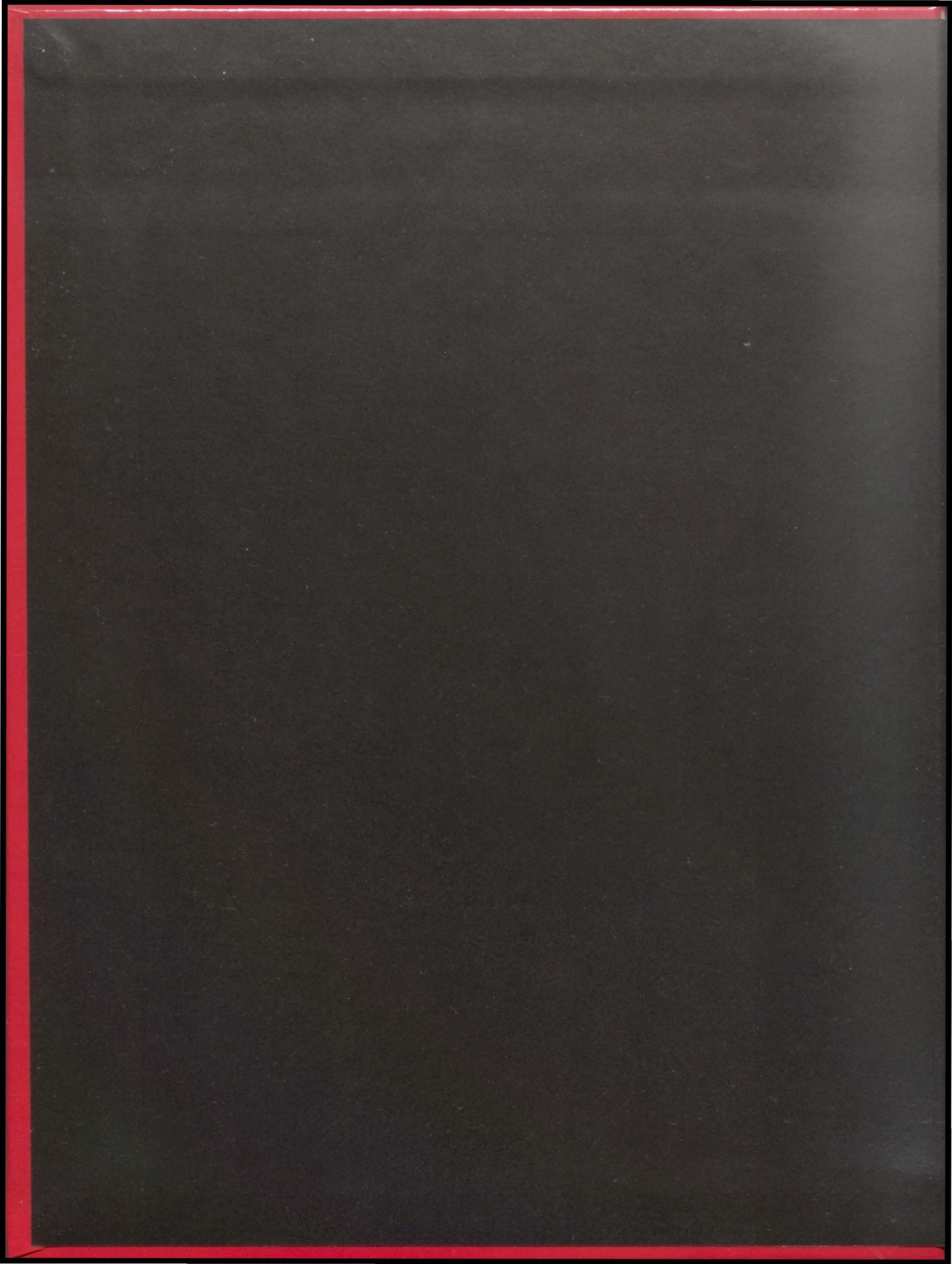
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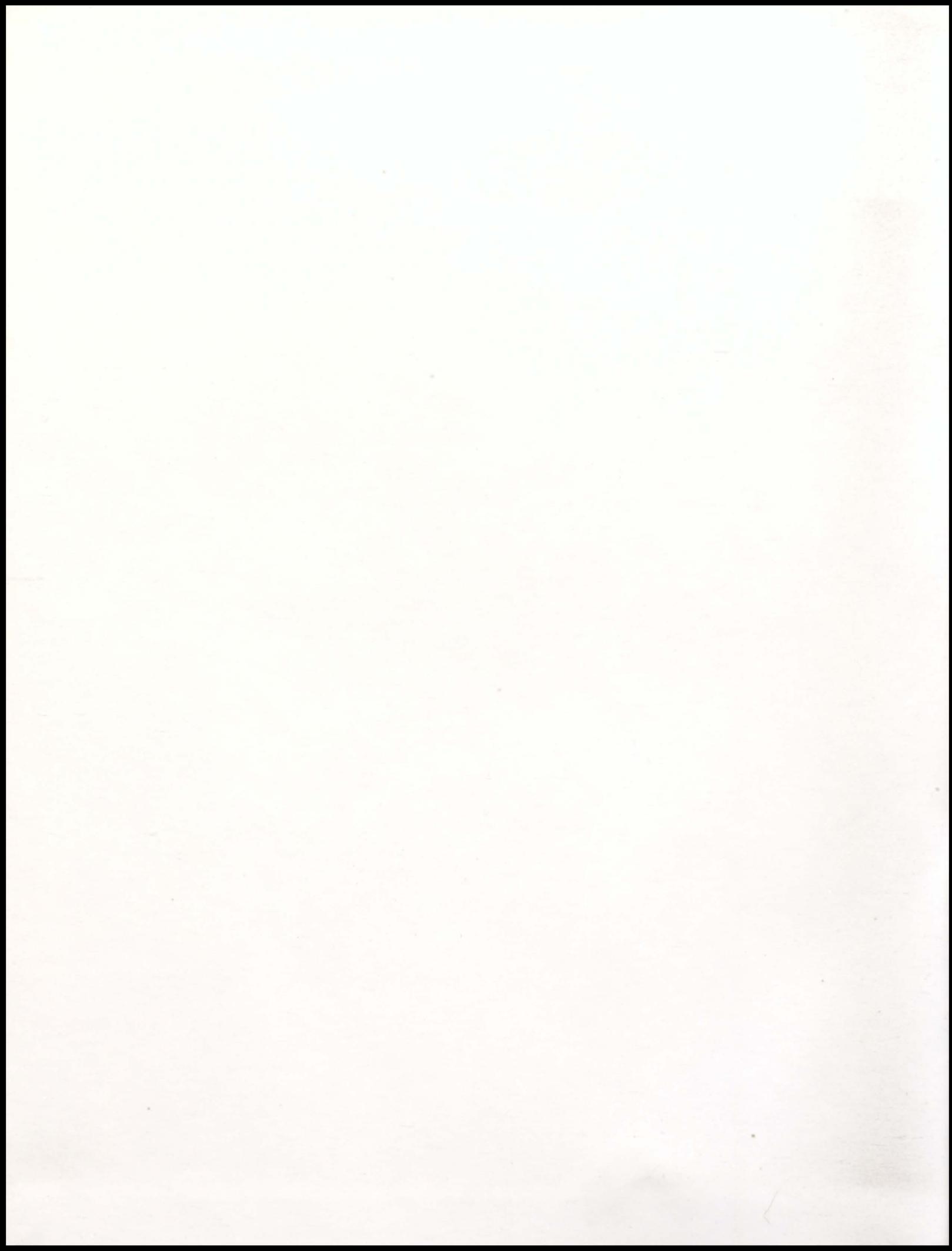
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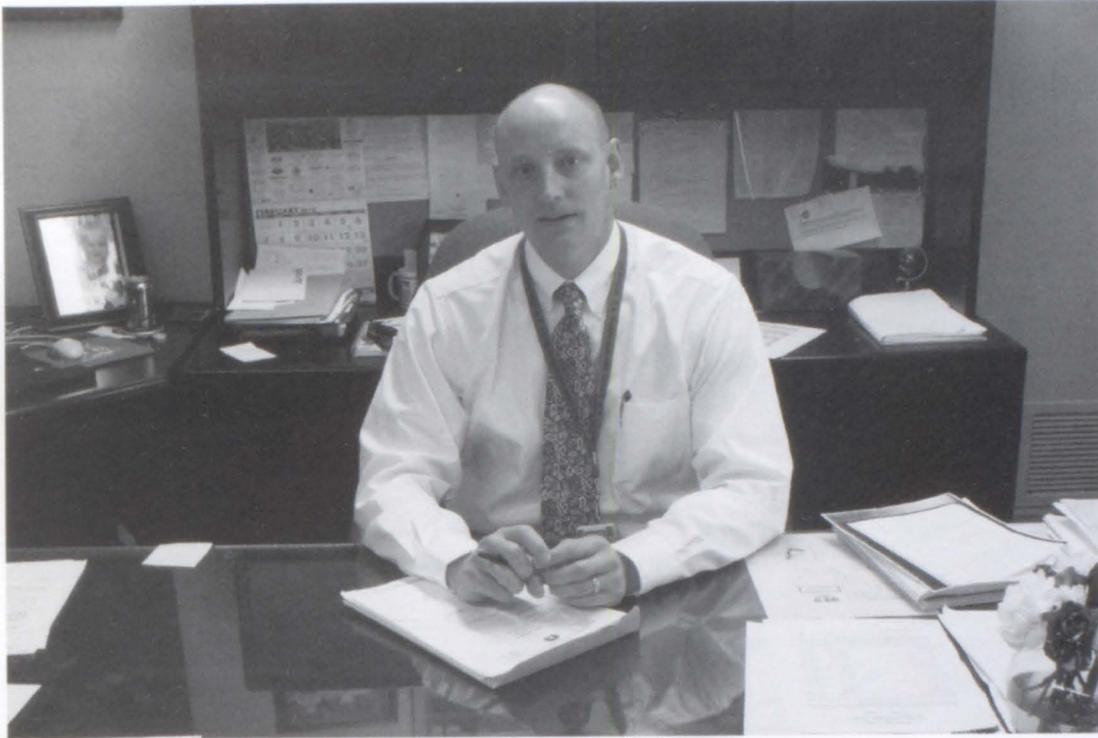
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- Mr. Hacke, principal, working behind the scenes at his desk. This was Hacke's first year at Highland, having previously served as principal at Roxanna High School.

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On the Cover: Crowd shot of HHS students cheering during a boys basketball game against Jerseyville.  
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## In the News

**June 25, 2009** - The youngest member of The Jackson Five, Michael Jackson, died at his Bel Air home of cardiac arrest. The king of pop music was born in 1958.

**October 9, 2009** - NASA discovers water on the moon, opening a new chapter that could allow for the development of a lunar space station.

**November 26, 2009** - PGA golfer, Tiger Woods, gets into a car accident down the street from his Florida home. His accident led to his confession of numerous extramarital affairs. Woods took an indefinite leave from his golfing career.

**January 1, 2010** - Literary recluse J. D. Salinger died at his home in Cornish New Hampshire. He was best known for his controversial book, The Catcher in the Rye. Salinger was born on January 1, 1919.

## 2009-2010

**February 12-28, 2010** - The 21st Winter Olympics were held in Vancouver, Canada. Eighty two nations competed with 2,622 athletes participating in 86 events in 15 disciplines. The United States took home the most medals, 37 total.

**April 2010** - Illinois budget problems led to widespread teacher layoffs across the state including 24 in the Highland district. More layoffs are predicted along with other big cuts in childcare and police forces.

**May 7, 2010** - Gushing oil from a blown out well at the bottom of the Gulf of Mexico threatened oil port operations, gas prices, and wildlife. The extent of the damage was still not known.

**May 17, 2010** - Officials are two and a half weeks away from jury selection in the corruption case against ex-governor Rod Blagojevich. He was the fifth Illinois governor to face such charges. The last was George Ryan who is still in prison.

### At the Box Office

1. "Avatar"
2. "Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen"
3. "Harry Potter & the Half-Blood Prince"
4. "Twilight: New Moon"
5. "UP"
6. "The Hangover"
7. "Star Trek"
8. "The Blind Side"
9. "Monsters vs. Aliens"
10. "Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs"

### Channel Surfing

1. "The Big Bang Theory"
2. "Battlestar Galactica"
3. "Chuck"
4. "Dollhouse"
5. "Friday Night Lights"
6. "Lost"
7. "Mad Men"
8. "Modern Family"
9. "Parks and Recreation"
10. "Nurse Jackie"

### On the Radio

1. "You Belong With Me," Taylor Swift
2. "Down," Jay Sean
3. "Replay," Iyaz
4. "Poker Face," Lady Gaga
5. "I Gotta Feeling," Black Eyed Peas
6. "Use Somebody," Kings of Leon
7. "My Life Would Suck Without You," Kelly Clarkson
8. "Right Round," Flo Rida
9. "Fireflies," Owl City
10. "Watcha Say," Jason Derulo



▣ Andrea Perluzzo, 10, anxiously waits to donate blood. HHS hosted two successful blood drives this year.



▣ Juniors, Nick Zobrist and Cassandra White, entertain the audience in HHS' production of Beauty and the Beast. The cast performed in front of sold out crowds.



▣ Seniors, Taylor Tiller, Ryan Keller, Fallon Poettker, and Austin Pothoff, lead the homecoming court members in the first dance.

# TIME to be Yourself

HHS students had the opportunity to participate in several activities outside of school. This free time defined their high school experience and made up their

## STUDENT LIFE

### □ HHS



□ Performing one of their several routines, the Madrigal Dinner cast twirls in unison to music inspired by the Renaissance era. One of their dances required the help of audience members, as they were brought on the dance floor to participate in an upbeat performance.

# 10's TRENDS

BY TAYLOR TILLER

- Repeating a fad of the 70's, boat shoes emerged from the shadows and were commonly seen in the hallways.

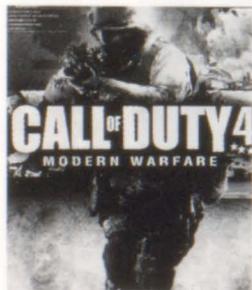


- North Face brand was the most commonly worn jacket this winter at HHS. It seemed as if everywhere you turned you saw someone wearing one.

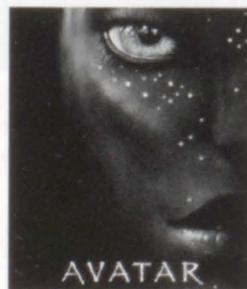


- A popular trend this year included social networking sites such as Facebook. Users included teens, religious groups, universities, political groups, and even large corporations.

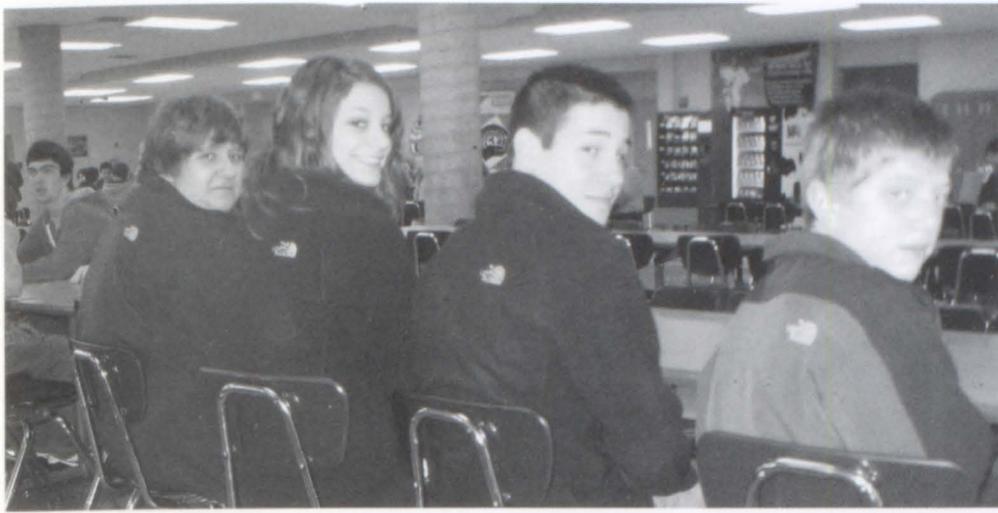
- The iPod touch became the toy of choice among the students in 2010, although it was probably one of the least favorites of the teachers. Seniors Luke Haberer, David Ammann, Kevin Keeven, and Andy Reutiman are seen here playing on theirs.



- The new warfare game, "Call of Duty" became the game of choice among the male population. "Call of Duty" sold almost 5 million copies within the first 24 hours it was available.



- In a break from traditional two dimensional feature films, the 3D block buster, *Avatar*, became the largest grossing movie of all time.

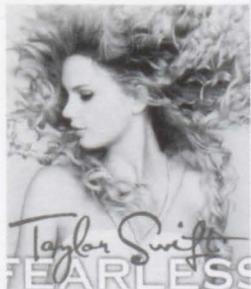


Another fad from the 80's came back this year, skirts with tights and boots. When girls wanted to dress up for school, many times this is what they wore.



The most popular trend for girls was the side purse. Hillary Zitta said "It goes across your chest and is much more comfortable than a normal purse." Shown here sporting the fashion are Amanda Null, 11, Andrea Perluzzo, 10, Amber Donnelly, 10, and Lyndsey Daily, 12.

Ugg boots were created in 2004 but hit HHS hard in 2009/2010. They started as a common trend for girls but even some boys wore them this year.



Multi award winning artist, Taylor Swift emerged as winner of both Album of the Year and Best Country Album at the 2010 Grammy Awards. Taylor's new CD got a lot of play on our iPods and radios.



*The Hangover*, a wildly popular comedy, told the story of three groomsman and their search for the groom they lost at a party the night before.

## STUDENT LIFE

❑ "Popcorn?" Ben Voytas, 11, asks while working at The Korte Recreational Center. "I like working weekends for some extra cash." Voytas said, while attending to customers.

❑ Making copies, folding papers, and stuffing envelopes is mainly what Emily Wellen, 12, does while working at the local Protestant Church. Also, phone calls kept her busy.



❑ Seniors, Allison Krump and Chelsey Roberts, help a customer at Mazzios Pizza. Many students worked here busing tables and making hand tossed pizza.

❑ Hayley Peters, 11, spends her afternoons dishing ice cream for hungry snackers. "It's a fun job to get me out of the house and making some extra cash is always nice." Hayley said.



# Working Hard? Or Hardly Working?

**A**s a student, school was supposed to be one of the most important things in our lives, but could be difficult juggling grades with a job and sports. After the bell rang at three, students were free to leave and do other activities such as sports, clubs, work, or simply just hang out with friends. While, most students would have rathered socialized, jobs were necessary for supporting weekend habits like going to the movies, attending sports games, and shopping. For most juniors and seniors, college was right around the corner; therefore, working long hours was important for saving money. Students at HHS were employed in a variety of places such as McDonalds, Dairy Queen, Glikes, The Korte Recreational Center, and other local businesses. Although staying busy with work was a big priority, having a social life was also very important. While on the job, some students became friends with coworkers who were not in high school. After working tough hours, going to get something to eat or catching a movie was common. "Work wasn't always such a chore! Some of my greatest memories were at work with the friends I have made," Cole Stirewalt said. "We loved going to McDonalds and eating after a stressful day at the rec center."

BY ASHLEY SCHRAGE



Local car wash, The Finish Line, usually employs at least one high school student. Here junior Lynn Martz vacuums a floormat from a car.



Making sub sandwiches is how Amber Koch, 12, spent her hours working. "Subway was a great way to learn customer service," Koch said.

At Hank's Coffee, Ben Fieber, 12, makes coffee for a customer. Ben was kept busy by his boss who's also his dad. Running errands and answering phones were also part of Fieber's duties.

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## STUDENT LIFE

■ Ms. Beyer organizes the juniors as they prepare themselves to face the sophomores in the annual class tug-of-war. Class officers chose the participants for the teams.

■ Jason Scott, 12, "Danny" and April Lauchner, 12, "Sandy" are the stars of the senior float. Other senior girls dressed in "Pink Lady" jackets and poodle skirts.



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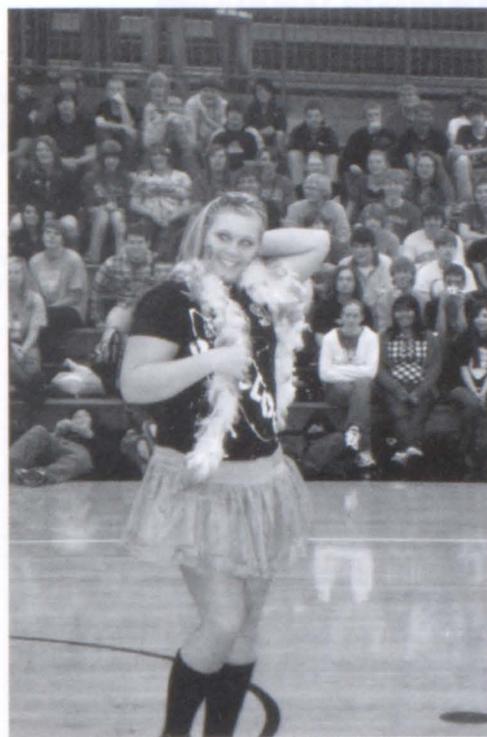
■ Geoffrey Hartlieb, 10, was a finalist for the lunch room activities. Other players dressed for football, hockey, and basketball.



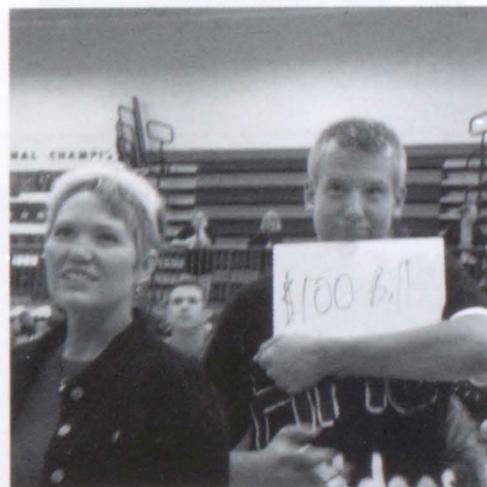
# New York Minute

It was an exciting week as students prepared for the "Midnight in Manhattan" homecoming. Each day, students dressed up for New York Boroughs Day, Stock Exchange Day, and "Hot Spots" Day. Student Council worked throughout the week on decorations and organizing the lunch room activities. The activities included a scavenger hunt, trivia, and class races. The bonfire and Powderpuff Tournament were canceled due to rain. Instead, everyone flocked to the gym to watch the competitive Power Volleyball Tournament, where seniors beat juniors 25 to 19. The sun was shining for the parade when each class showed off its musical themed float. "Wizard of Oz" by sophomores, "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" by juniors, "Grease" by seniors, and "Hairspray" by freshman, all came in close in creativity and costumes. The winning float design was the sophomores. Boys and girls later teamed up for the coed dodge ball tournament held at the Highland Elementary Gym. The pep assembly Friday morning was full of dancing when the senior boy athletes performed a humorous dance routine with the varsity dancers. The cheerleaders cheered and stimulated the crowd and teachers. During the class cheer contest, seniors chanted the loudest over the other classes. The senior court members provided the school with entertainment as each couple engaged in a skit from musicals. They ranged from "Annie" to "Oklahoma." Students motivated their classmates during the tug-of-war tournament, where seniors won. For the faculty court, Mrs. Fredericksen and Principal Hacke were voted king and queen. They served as the master and mistress of ceremonies at the coronation. The week ended with an annual dance where Fallon Poettker and Austin Potthoff were crowned the newest royalty.

BY MEGAN BLACKBURN



Senior court member Haylee Korte, 12, shows off her dance moves to a song from West Side Story. She was escorted by Dakota Gilbert.



English teacher, Mrs. Fredericksen and Kevin Keevan, 12, team together to win the cash cab pep assembly competition. The questions were randomly picked by Ms. Beyer.

Seniors Ryan Keller, Dakota Gilbert, Michael Boyer, and Trent Kessmann perform their routine while setting up for coronation the next night. The routine included the boys dancing with pompoms.



## STUDENT LIFE

■ Kelly Growe, 10, Casey Keller, 10, Jesse Vincent, 12, and Katie Lowe, 10, enjoy a horse drawn carriage ride on The Landing in St. Louis before eating at the Spaghetti Factory.

■ Freshmen Cori Rehkemper and Shannon Ostrander met at Cori's house with other freshmen for an outdoor dinner hosted by the groups parents.



■ Juniors Colin Duft and Michael Buehne cruise around in Colin's dad's 1963 Bonneville.

■ Before going out to eat, Sophomore boys and girls meet for elegant pictures in front of the water fountain at Hidden Lake Winery in Aviston.



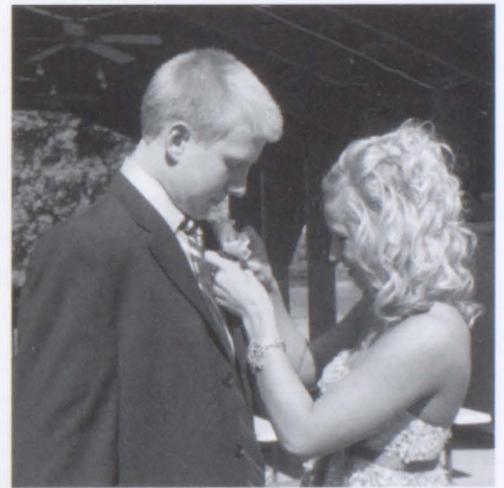
# Midnight in Manhattan

The theme for this year's Homecoming Dance was "Midnight in Manhattan." The celebration revolved around a New York theme. Student Council spent long hours building cardboard sky-scrappers. Colored lights were placed behind the buildings to light up the cut out windows and make the atmosphere feel like a night in Manhattan. After an eventful homecoming week, students had an appointment filled day that consisted of picking up tuxes and flowers, going to the beauty shop, and taking pictures. Trey Plocher, 12, gathered at his house with family and friends and then traveled to Fairview Heights to enjoy a meal with his date, Miriah Miranda, at Shoguns. Other students traveled in large groups. Geoffery Hartlieb, 10, took pictures with 50-60 friends from his class and then commuted on two party buses to Seventeenth Street Barbeque in O'Fallon to eat. Heartbreaker DJ from Indianapolis, Indiana provided the music and entertainment. The DJ also provided two large video screens. The Television Production class projected the ceremony onto the large screens for the audience to enjoy and take a closer look. The ceremony was also broadcast to the town of Highland. Snap shots of students taken before and during the dance played on the screens. A great light show and fog created a fun background for the dance atmosphere. Seniors, Austin Pothoff and Fallon Poetker were crowned king and queen. At the conclusion of the dance, the majority of students left to hang with friends. Some Student Council members, however, stayed to help sponsors, Mrs. Liza Baseden and Ms. Tina Beyer. "Cleaning up was fun and went very fast because a lot of members helped," said Colleen Cahalan, 12.

BY ERICA MAURER



□ Juniors Megan Kujawa and Hannah Runge enter their party bus bound for dinner at Union Station in St. Louis.



□ Micky Wheeler, 11, pins a boutonniere to her date, Kevin Keeven, 12. Couples met at Kevins' lake to take pictures before meeting in a larger group.

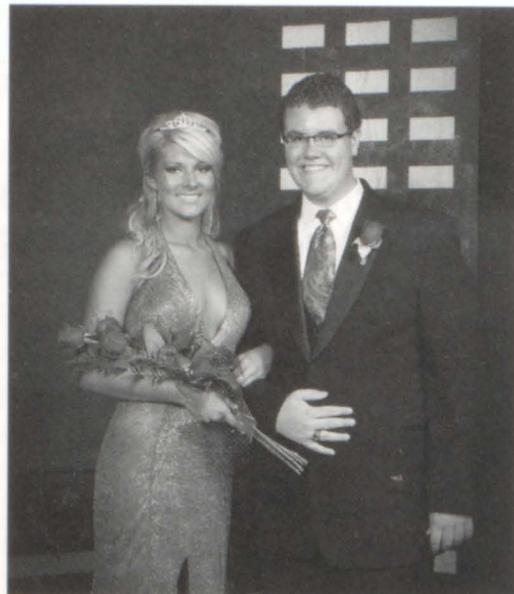
□ All members of the dance team, Whitney Zobrist, 12, Kyleigh Lewis, 12, Briana Netemeyer, 10, Jannah Stone, 12, Morgan Schrage, 11, and Emily Wellen, 12, get together before a funfilled night.



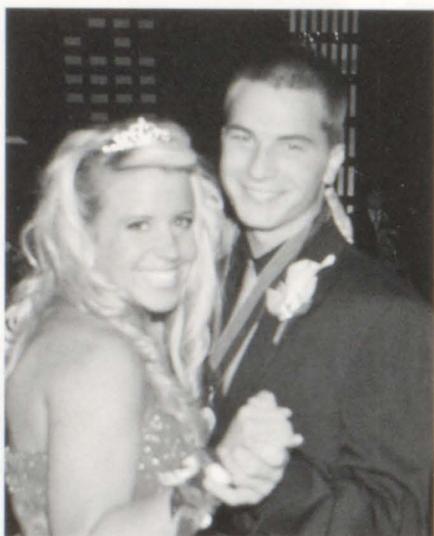
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# Homecoming Court: 2010

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King and Queen: Fallon Poettker and Austin Potthoff



Special Maid and Special Escort:  
Taylor Tiller and Ryan Keller



Front Row: Courtney Ernst, Kelsey Zobrist, Katie Hempen, Hillary Zitta, Candyce Frey. Back Row: Blake Gilomen, Mark Keller, Nick Ammann, Kristen Frey, Dew Klosterman, Chad Mayes, Brett Gilomen



Aaron Uhe, Devynn Bird, Christa Williams, Evan Duft, Alaina Kosydor, Tyler Stone



Alexa Moss, Logan Goldstein, Ashley Holtgrave, Ben Sparlin, Andrea Perluzzo, Geoffery Hartlieb, Shayna Painter, Adam Beck

# Senior Court

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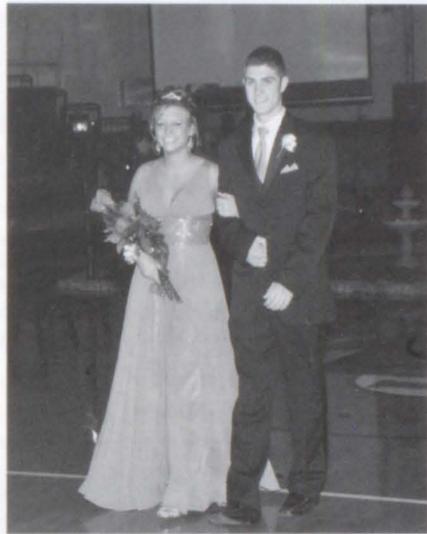
Haylee Korte and Dakota Gilbert



Taylor Tiller and Jordan Holtgrave



Hannah Lucco and Kevin Keeven



Mallory Frey and Lukas Korte



Whitney Zobrist and Ryan Keller



Cami Gramlich and Brendan Bargetzi



Fallon Poettker and Austin Potthoff



Alicia Aliverado and Tim Friedel

# STUDENT LIFE

Live from the zombie zone, Kelly Bone, 12, reports the most recent attack. Mitch England, 9, and Troy Nave, 9, inspect the evidence at the scene of the last attack.



Front Row: Jordan Prante, Christina Markunas, Katie Walter, Tori Thurmone, Sarah Randle. Second Row: Catherine Worstell, Brian Murphy, Mitch Englandm, Austin Fischer, Chris Michaels, Anastasia Wilde, Kelly Bone, Siarra Price, Kelsey Neier, Heidi Tyson. Third Row: Paige Workes, CJ Knebel, Katelyn Verfurth, Alli Staggs, Mandy Montayne, Lindsay Griffith, Sam McConville, Bailey Bricker, Joshua Weiss, Morgan Cundall, Andrew Copeland, Megan Jakel, Alex Truccano, Alex Korte, AJ Snow, Trisha Engle, Josh Hinkle, Katie Brown, Roseanna Jaeger, Kim Becker. Back Row: Lacey Robertson, Elisabeth Bruchhauser, Katie Brinker, Emily Lucia, Dylan Stanek, Mrs. Kloss, Mary Reagan, Kayla Frey, Elizabeth Raynor, DJ Frey, Zaine Smart, Larry Vossel.



Bailey Bricker, 12, and Kelsey Neier, 9, report the strange phenomenon plaguing the little town of Willard.

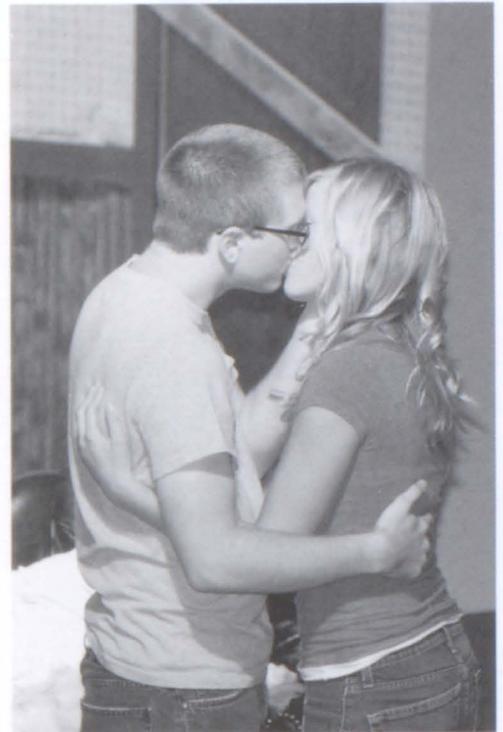
As Miles Petrouske, 11, tries to find a news station, Morgan Cundall, 11, and Megan Jakel, 12, wait anxiously on the couch. Andrew Copeland, 11, and Alex Truccano, 12, bicker over what to do about the zombie attacks.



# DYING to Act

In the later part of October, the Drama Club performed The Night of the Living Dead, a play by Lori Allen Ohem. "This year's fall play, truly brought the drama department at HHS back to life" said director Mrs. Kloss. Over 40 students participated as actors, prop masters, prompters, stage managers, costumers, and make up artists. Auditions were held for Night of the Living Dead at the end of August. Trying out for the play included memorizing a monologue and students performed a cold reading in front of two judges. "I was extremely nervous before my audition. I paced back and forth in the commons trying to memorize the page long monologue for the audition" said Morgan Cundall, 11. Cundall nailed her monologue and cold reading which landed her the girl lead in the show. The costumes used for the show were from the 60's era and the show took place in a graveyard setting. There were zombies everywhere...the bloodier and more destroyed the zombies were, the better. The set was diverse and realistic with its abandoned living room and messy cellar. The show began when Barbara (Cundall) and Johnny (Weiss) visited their father's grave and a man approached them. Unfortunately, he was a zombie and a fight ensued. Barbara spent the rest of the show in a state of shock. After finding shelter in an abandoned farmhouse, Barbara met Ben (Copeland). Ben secured the house by boarding up all the doors and windows. Taking refuge in the cellar were Harry (Truccano) and Helen (Jakel) Cooper with their injured daughter Karen (Randle) and the young, free spirited Tom (Petrouske) with his girlfriend Judy (Price). Ben, Harry, and Tom teamed up to find a way to get out of the house and to the next town for safety. Of course, in doing so they butted heads and even lost a head or two. "The show took me by surprise. I had never been to a high school play before, and everyone did an surprising job. There were even times during the show I was a little scared," said Fallon Poettker, 12. The sold out show was performed in the Kennel on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Because of, the blood, body parts, zombies, and curdling screams, it set the mood for the upcoming Halloween weekend.

BY MEGAN JAKEL



□ Miles Petrouske, 11, and Siarra Price, 10, show their affection for each other as their characters Tom and Judy share a kiss because death lurked around every corner, the couple had no time to wait.

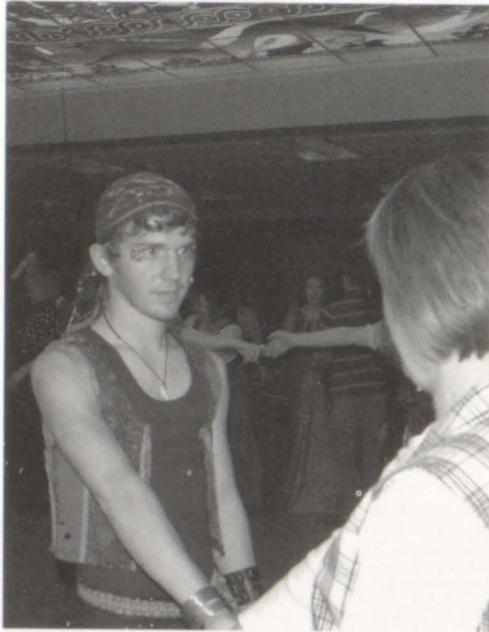


□ Alex Truccano, 12, and Megan Jakel, 12, worry over what to do about their sick daughter, Sarah Randle, 11, while they take shelter in the cellar of an old, abandoned house.

□ The zombies flooded into the abandoned house and devour the wounded police officers.

## STUDENT LIFE

- Andrew Copeland, 11, Lynn Martz, 11, and Jack Powell, 10, sing to a crowd at Renfest.
- Before the dinner began, gypsies taught audience members the town dance. Enrique, played by Dylan Gregg, 10, leads his mom, Trina Gregg, to the dance floor to learn this dance.



- During the dinner set, members of the head table sing a Madrigal Christmas carol to the audience.
- The Madrigal group poses in front of the opening gate at the Renaissance Festival in Kansas City, MO.



# Madrigals

The 15th annual Madrigal Dinner sold out all three of its performances for the first time ever. The production, "A Fool's Feaste," focused on Prince Gerald, played by Alex Truccano, 12, and his internship before becoming king. As part of his internship, it was his responsibility to host the annual Christmas party. However, he shirked his duties and instead went hunting. The day the Christmas party arrived his friends and relatives had to pick up the slack for him. At his party, he showed interest in an unmarried vegan, Lillian, played by Leah Duncan, 11. Lillian was the president of Renaissance English People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (REPETA). Prince Gerald failed to impress her until she heard his speaking skills. The prince then revealed that his men had been covering up for him, and he was not a hunter. Anna Dennison and Malinda Rode, both sophomores in college and former HHS students, wrote the script. In addition to the three interactive dinners performed at the high school, the Madrigals also performed at the local churches and other events during the Christmas holiday season. On Labor Day weekend, they traveled to the Kansas City Renaissance Festival in Missouri, a fair where lords and ladies rule the land and where knowledge in authentic costumes, and traditions are gained. The Renaissance Festival is now an annual trip for the Madrigals.

BY MEGAN KUJAWA



Showing off his speaking skills, Prince Gerald attempts to swoon his love interest, Lady Lillian.

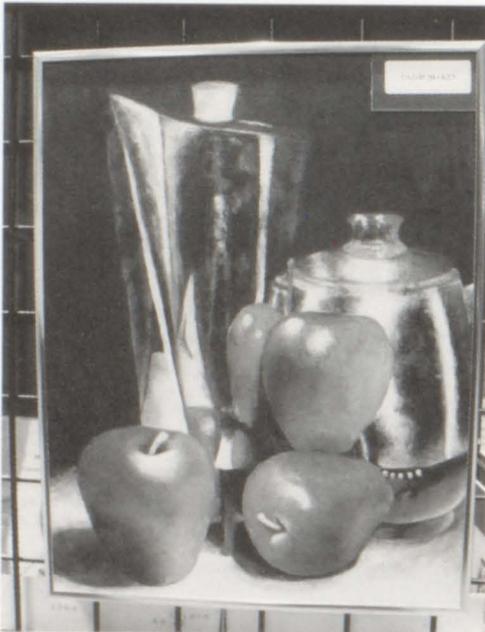


Cassandra White, 11, and Dylan Stanek, 12 follow their fellow performers as the dinner begins.

The Camomescro Kumpania, the gypsy troupe, perform their gypsy dance of seduction during the dinner.

## STUDENT LIFE

- The crowd fell in love with Josh Weiss, 11, and Nick Zobrist, 11, while they announce the next act in their Lady GaGa apparel. Their outfits were inspired by her music videos.
- Senior Robin Allen's painting of bottles and apples demonstrates her passion and a talent for art. She has been a member of AP art for the past three years and plans to attend college at SIUE and study art.



- "The Great Nathan Oliveira", 12, displays his hand-eye coordination with his juggling act. Oliveira tossed rings, balls, and bowling pins and he even unicycled throughout the commons.
- The Onyx Choir sings Seasons of Love to wrap up the show. Sam Campos, 12, Cassandra White, 11, Mitch England, 9, Dylan Stanek, 12, Nick Zobrist, 12, Emily Comish, 10, and Jamie Hunsdorffer, 10, all make up the elite Onyx Choir.





## STUDENT LIFE

- ❑ The Beast asks Belle to dinner, after she trades places with her father. The two fall in love, breaking the curse on the castle.
- ❑ Mitch England, 9, and Elizabeth Raynor, 11, sing in the opening of the musical. The first scene was set in a French market.



- ❑ Juniors Nick Zobrist, the candle and Josh Weiss, the clock, debate whether or not to persuade Belle into liking the beast. Their plan was successful and they became humans once again.
- ❑ Andrew Copeland, 11, Belle's father, is struck with fear as the Beast, his captor, threatens him.



# Beauty and the Beast

This year's spring musical was Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*. "The cast and crew consisted of over 30 students, who had a work ethic that was second to none and the talent to match," said director Chris Wilson. A short video explaining the rose and the spell lured the audience into the live French village scene. The beautiful intelligent belle, Halie Miller, 11, and the burly Gaston, Mitch England, 9, made their first appearance in this scene. Throughout the entire musical Gaston and Le Fou, his goofy friend, played by Elizabeth Raynor, 11, tried to persuade Belle to marry Gaston. Belle's father, Maurice, played by Andrew Copland, 11, was trapped in a locked dungeon, in the Beast's castle. Belle saved him by taking his place in the dungeon. Later, she realized the magic within the castle when pots, pans, forks, and clocks came to life and talked to her, some even sang and danced. At the close of the musical, the spell was broken because of the love between the Beast and Belle. The servants were returned to their human forms and the Beast transformed back into the handsome prince. The entire cast sang "And the Beast-Reprise," as the prince and his beauty prepared to live happily ever after.

BY ASHLEY SCHRAGE



- Elizabeth Raynor, 11, and Josh Weiss, 11, turn back into humans, after once being a chest of drawers and a clock. They were proud to have broken the spell and to have found the beast his true love.

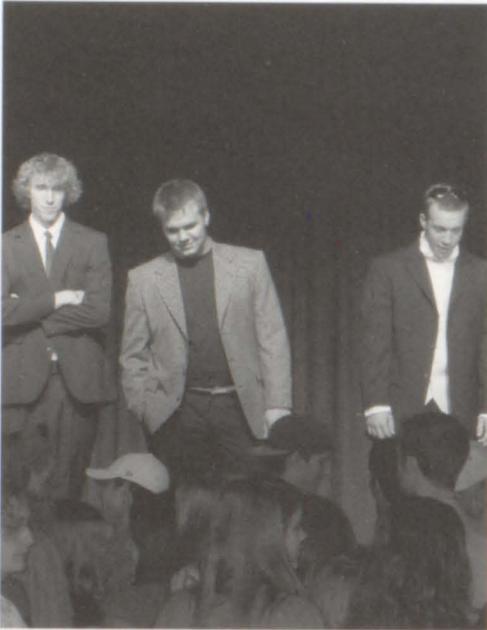


- Megan Jakel, 12, attempts to get Belle's Father, Andrew Copland, 11, to make Belle marry Gaston. Her plan failed because Belle and the prince lived happily ever after.
- Since Gaston was the most popular man in the village, all of the girls vied for his attention. The girls, Emily Lucia, 12, Amanda Wick, 9, and Devynn Bryd, 9, attempt to romance Gaston.

# STUDENT LIFE

■ The boys congratulate each other for a great evening. They also thank the judges for traveling from their schools to take part in the event.

■ In their formal wear, Simon Menz, Alec Perfetti, and Andy Reutiman, talk with the audience during the short break.



■ Alex Truccano, waits patiently as the audience votes for the "People's Choice Award".

■ Showing off their sexy bodies and classy moves in the opening dance, the boys at the begin the contest to the song "Tootsie Roll".



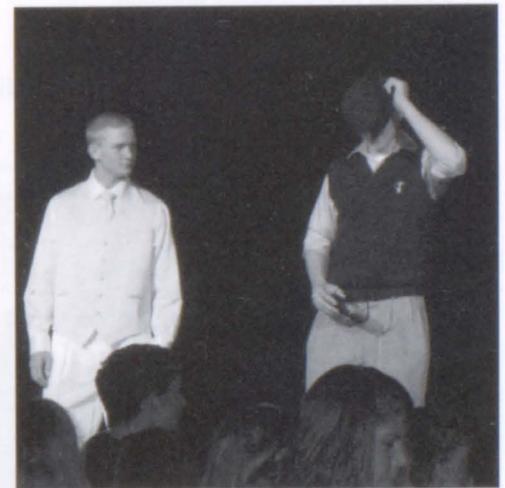
# Simply Irresistible

The first annual Mr. Irresistible contest was held on Saturday, November 7 in the Elementary School Auditorium. The Drama Club sponsored the event in order to raise money for their plays and musicals. Different clubs, organizations, and sports elected a senior boy to represent their groups in the contest. The winner gained prizes for himself, along with money for the group he represented. The judges were five senior girls from different schools around the area, one from Mater Dei, two from Triad, and two from East Alton Woodriver. The Masters of Ceremony of the competition were Senior Mallory Frey and Junior Leah Duncan. They introduced the boys during all the different categories of the evening. The contest started with the nine contestants showing off their dance moves to the song "Tootsie Roll". In the next category, the boys modeled their favorite sport and leisure wear for the audience. Then came the talent category. Some of the talents included dancing from Andy Reudiman, and Kevin Keeven, singing and playing the piano by Alex Truccano, and Simon Menz playing Guitar Hero. Lastly was the formal wear and interview. The boys dressed in their Sunday best and were asked a series of three questions. Two questions they knew in advance which consisted of one random and the other the same for all nine contestants. For the third question, the boys were instructed to pick a slip of paper out of a bowl with a question written on it. While the judges tallied the vote, the audience voted for their favorite irresistible guy so he could win the People's Choice Award. After the votes were finalized, Garrett Meier was crowned Mr. Irresistible 2009. Mr. Irresistible Garrett said, "It comes naturally to me, but you get used to the undying love of beautiful women at your feet every day." Ryan Keller was the first runner up, while Alex Korte was awarded second runner up as well as People's Choice Award.

BY MALLORY FREY



□ The Mistresses of Ceremony for the evening, Leah Duncan, 11, and Mallory Frey, 12, announce the events. They presented the boys in all three categories.



□ Waiting patiently and trying to show off while the votes are being tallied are Tenor Kapp, 12, and Kevin Keeven, 12.

□ Seniors, Ryan Keller, Alex Korte, Mr. Irresistible Garrett Meier, Simon Menz, and Alec Perfetti, wait while the audience gives their final applause for the fun filled evening of the First Annual Mr. Irresistible Contest.

# It's TIME for Prom 2010:



❑ A large group of seniors and their dates gather at the square to take pictures in front of the fountain.



❑ Seniors Ashley Schrage, Haylee Korte, Mallory Frey, Lukas Korte, and others pause for a picture in the limo for a parent before leaving for dinner.



❑ Part of prom night is going to a nice restaurant before for dinner, as seniors Taylor Cippichio, Alyssa Freker, Emily Barth, and Lauren Royer did at the Japanese Steakhouse.



❑ Following the masquerade theme, a group of junior and senior girls put on masks after finishing their dinner.



❑ Pausing for a moment while trying to figure out what to order, juniors Kayla Martin and Trent Donaldson pose for a picture.



❑ Due to the rain, senior boys Garrett Meier, Alec Perfetti, Lukas Korte, Trent Kessmann, Michael Boyer, Jason Scott, Dakota Gilbert, and Andy Reutiman were forced inside for pictures.

# A Masquerade

BY JASON SCOTT



❑ Instead of the normal group picture, a few junior girls mix it up with a shot shot from behind of their dresses.



❑ Before leaving for dinner, Dylan Seger, 12, and his date Lynn Martz, 11, pose for a picture in front of a new Chevrolet Camaro.

## Guys

8:00 AM Sleep

9:00 AM Sleep

10:00 AM Sleep

11:00 AM Sleep

12:00 PM Wake Up

1:00 PM Shower and Put Tux On

2:00 PM Go to Pictures

3:00 PM Still Taking Pictures

4:00 PM Leave for Dinner

5:00 PM Dinner at a Nice Restaraunt

6:00 PM Finish Dinner and Leave for the Dance

7:00 PM Arrive at Dance

11:00 PM Dance Ends

12:00 AM Change Clothes and Head to Post Prom

## Girls

8:00 AM Wake Up

9:00 AM Get Nails Done

10:00 AM Get Hair Done

11:00 AM Try Dress On to Make Sure it Still Fits

12:00 PM Start Putting on Make-up

1:00 PM Get Dressed

2:00 PM Go to Pictures

3:00 PM Still Taking Pictures

4:00 PM Leave for Dinner

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## STUDENT LIFE



- ❑ In attempt to maintain balance on the mechanical bull at Post Prom, Ben Voytas, 11, struggles to find his grip. Voytas was just one of several students who tried to conquer the bull.



- ❑ Seniors, Whitney Zobrist, Emily Wellen, and Ashley Schrage take a break from dancing to snap a picture.



- ❑ Students started the night by "jumping" on the train. The long line of dancing took up the entire dance floor.



- ❑ Erica Maurer, 12, Catie Lowe, 10, and Kaylynn Rehberger, 12 wait in anticipation as the King and Queen are being announced.



- ❑ Taking full advantage of the upbeat music, Kelly Bone, 12, dances to a song by Lady Gaga.

# Prom Court: 2010



□ Kelly Fulton, Bailey Bricker, Chelsey Roberts, Megan Jakel, Ben Fieker, Lukas Korte, Alex Truccano, and Chris Uhe.



□ Court members, Kelly Fulton and Chris Uhe walk towards center stage as the couple is being introduced to the crowd.



□ Chelsey Roberts, gleams as she approaches the stage. Roberts was escorted by court member Lukas Korte.



□ King and Queen: Megan Jakel and Ben Fieker



□ Sam Brockman, 12, graciously hands members of the Highland Home slices of pumpkin pie. Brockman, a member of the Jr. Optimists, took part in several community service events.



□ Four-year member of Model UN, John Rekowski, 12, takes notes on the world issues that were assigned to him. Rekowski would then debate on the issues with people members of the opposition.



□ Simon Menz, 12, takes a break from a mentally draining chess practice. Menz said, "Chess club is the perfect way to challenge your mind in a social atmosphere."

# TIME to be Involved

Clubs allowed students to pursue hobbies and career interests, and to serve the community and school. By choosing organizations that fit them, students at HHS expressed themselves by participating in

## CLUBS

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### □ HHS



□ Several members of Highland's FFA pose for a picture outside the National FFA Center. Elite participants in Highland's chapter attended the National FFA conference in Indianapolis, IN.

# StuCo

Student Council

BY AUSTIN POTTHOFF

Homecoming, the winter dance, and teacher appreciation week were organized by the Student Council (SC). Their big project for the year was hosting homecoming, Midnight in Manhattan. Council members spent weeks building 16 skyscrapers, Central Park, and the Brooklyn Bridge. The week of homecoming was also planned by the council, this included dress up days, lunch activities, dodgeball, and volleyball. After everyone left the gym to go home and get ready for the big game, members stayed in the gym to build the New York set. At Thanksgiving, the council members came together for a little freindly competition, a Thanksgiving food drive scavenger hunt. Three teams set off to collect an array of items including stuffing, cereal, cake mixes, and much more. Together SC brought in over 500 items for the food pantry. SC not only took part in homecoming, but also planned a winter dance as a fundraiser for the council's adopt a family. The dance had a DJ, Ski, food, and door prizes including movies, gift cards, and iTunes cards. The dance's turn out was exceptional this year and the council raised enough money to purchase Christmas gifts for a family of seven. All the members went on a shopping trip to buy clothes and toys, and the family was overjoyed with the gifts they woke up to Christmas morning.



□ Sophomores Mikayla Miller and Alexa Moss look over the blueprints for the Brooklyn Bridge.



□ Shopping for adpot a family Christmas gifts are seniors Alec Perfetti, Jason Scott, and Austin Potthoff.





□ Senior members Chris Uhe, Lauren Royer, Cassie Becker, Kelsey Lemarr, and Robert Volker wrap the Christmas presents bought for the student council's adopt a family.



□ Austin Potthoff, 12, delivers the gifts to the Highland food pantry before Christmas, so the family could open them on Christmas morning.



□ At the third annual winter dance, Sierrah Oldenkamp, 11, and Kelsey Lemarr, 12, break it down on the dance floor.

□ With the left over scraps of homecoming decorations, seniors Ryan Keller and Caysea Love have a jousting match.

# Pray & Play

FCA

BY MALLORY FREY

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) was a group of students who met weekly to join each other in prayer and games. The group met together or split into all boy and all girl meetings. The meetings started and ended in prayer. In between, there was a recap of current sports, a game, followed by a different themed meeting for each week presented by the leaders. Seniors Lukas Korte, Mallory Frey, and Ross Bugger, accompanied by juniors Michaela Wheeler and Nick Lampen led the meetings, and each contributed parts of his or her own faith every week. Three year leader, Korte, said, "The mission of FCA was to enhance our faith and athletics by applying Christian values to both." Through this, the group applied their Christian components together through prayer. Along with the five leaders, FCA's sponsors were Mr. Hawkins and Mrs. Twyford. They also helped to plan some of the activities such as the Halloween bonfire, Thanksgiving dinner, capture the flag, Christmas caroling, and ice skating in Forest Park. Mr. Hawkins also brought his faith to the group by his motivational speeches on how to live through our faith better each day and how to use it in our daily lives. He said, "Everyday is an opportunity to work towards strengthening one's faith. Each Wednesday night it is my honor to watch and listen to young people push each other to understand this quest."

□ During a co-ed meeting, the group does a weekly devotional about how they bring their faith to life in their athletics and academics.



□ Tenor Kapp, 12, and Alec Haberer, 10, search for eggs during the Easter season. Special eggs were filled with scripture verses to tell the Easter story.

"Important questions are presented and worked out by these young people along with living out their faith daily." -Mr. Hawkins

□ Leader Michaela Wheeler, 11, along with Megan Kujawa, 11, Mikayla Miller, 10, and Taylor Kauh, 11, listen while the leaders talk about "Showing Out" our faith.



□ Outside the doors of Highland Home, a local nursing home, senior members Kevin Keeven and Jason Scott wait in the rain to be let in.

"I promise to... Respect all living things and help maintain the balance of life..."

- Excerpt from the Jr. Optimist Code



□ Hillary Zitta, 11, scans her card while playing bingo at the Highland Home. Hillary served as the clubs vice president.

# Helping hands

Jr. Optimist

BY DAKOTA GILBERT

New to Highland High School, and one of only a few in the entire state, the Jr. Optimist Club (JOC) experienced an action packed charter year. "Seek intellectual growth, physical development, and avoid abuse of mind and body" was just one of the lines of the creed of the newly formed club. The members were driven by a service minded approach while working to improve both their community and their school. Since they were a new club the members needed to raise money to fund their outings. "We sold the lanyards to increase school spirit and raise money for the program," said member Micky Wheeler, 11. With the money, they were able to do several service projects including Toys for Tots where they raised money for underprivileged children. They also took pies to local nursing homes during the holidays. JOC sponsors were Mr. Jim Nickerson from the high school and Mr. Bill Wagner from the local Optimist chapter. JOOI stands for Jr. Optimist Octagon International, it is the umbrella organization that links the local JOC's to others throughout North America. Much like Optimist International, JOOI is governed by an international board of directors as well as by district officers. Each year JOOI club members attend district and international conventions to elect their peers to fill important offices.



□ Katie Walter, 11, takes a turn at calling out numbers for the bingo game.

# “Lifesavers, *How Do You Feel?*”

BY ASHLEY NICOLOFF

**W**e feel good. Oh, we feel so good! This was one of the Lifesavers’ favorite chants for many reasons. The Lifesavers club was all about helping others in times of need. The club was a peer help group that trained teens how to help other students and talk to them about teen dating violence, suicide, and problems in every day life. The group started in the summer with intensive leadership training. They attended workshops and focused on teamwork. The leaders were in charge of planning the annual Lifesavers retreat. This retreat was a big event that involved many group activities in their listening circles. Some of the highlights were guest speakers, trust activities, and The Jerry Springer Show. Katelyn Verfurth, 10, said “My favorite part of the retreat is the Do Talk activity because you are able to share your feelings and know that others can help.” Another favorite of the club was getting to hear knowledgeable speakers. Karissa Iberg, 11, said “I learned to be nice to everyone because you never know what they are going through.” Though a lot of the subjects that Lifesavers talked about were very serious, the club found a way to have fun with them. At the end of the year, the club got together to celebrate the end of a great year and to recognize the seniors at the Senior Farewell. One of the favorite activities was sitting in the Hot Seat while volunteers shared what they loved about that person. At the end of the night was a special treat everyone looked forward to. . .the Jello fight. Most people agreed that it was always a great end to the school year. Senior leader Jesse Vincent only had one thing to say about Lifesavers: “Go Lifesavers! Rock it big time!”



□ During the free time at the retreat, the students have time to relax. One of the favorite activities was playing Rock Band. Alex Korte, 12, and Carli Huelsman, 9, focus on the popular game.



□ The Lifesaver leaders meet many times during the summer to focus on bonding and team building. In this communication exercise, the group of juniors and seniors use percussive instruments to express themselves.





□ Emily Fuhler, 11, presents the yearbooks to the newly graduated seniors Robert Volker, Lindsey Daily, Trisha Clark, and Meghan Jorgensen. Jesse Vincent, 12, enjoys his time in the Hot Seat. This is a tradition that focuses on genuinely complimenting the person in the seat.



□ Juniors Logan Frank, Emily Fuhler, and Ashley Vohlken listen to Trisha Clark, 12, during a listening circle. Listening circles were a major part of Lifesavers. They focused on open ended discussions while maintaining confidentiality.



□ Seniors Meghan Jorgensen, Natalie Weiss, and Lindsey Verfurth get involved in an energizer. Lifesavers used energizers to raise excitement about the following activity.



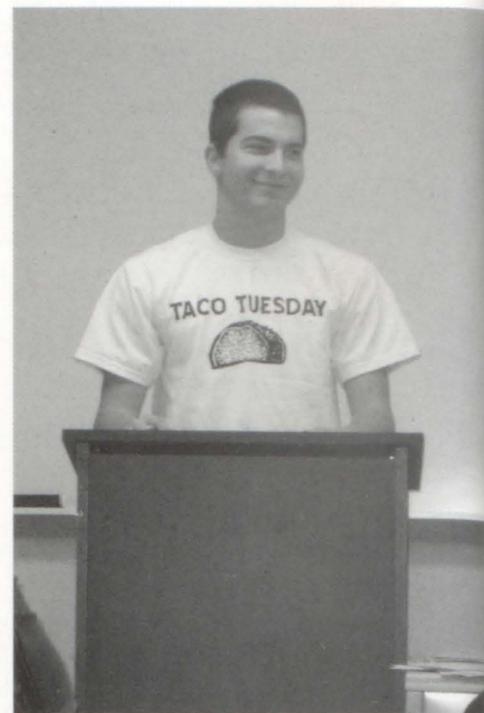
□ The Senior Farewell brought together many Lifesavers to honor the graduates.

# "¡Arriba!"

## Spanish Club

BY HILLARY ZITTA

The Spanish Club, a continued tradition at Highland, had a memorable year again. To start off the school year, the members sold unique neon yellow t-shirts. The shirt design had a taco, a Spanish specialty food, on it with "Taco Tuesday" in text. Also, they accomplished community service and donated a "Fiesta Night" basket to Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) raffle. This basket was filled with chips, salsa, drink mixes, pinatas, table decorations, various Mexican books, and a gift card to Fiesta Brava. By far, the biggest event of the year was the November trip to the Fox Theatre in St. Louis to see "In The Heights." A group of twenty Spanish Club members went to this upbeat musical about a day in the life of a Spanish neighborhood in New York City. Mrs. Wagenblast, Mrs. Deets, and the students enjoyed a dinner at Zapata's before the show. The officers for the year were President Ryan Keller, Vice President Mallory Frey, Secretary Alec Perfetti, and Treasurer Jason Scott. Taylor Tiller quoted, "Spanish Club definitely added to my exciting senior year. The field trip was my first experience being at the Fox and I was pleased with the cultural and diverse show that was presented."



President Ryan Keller, 12, presents his Spanish-speaking ability during an informational meeting for Spanish Club.

"Club español es el mejor!"

Students point in amazement towards Josh Hale, 12, as he represents Spanish Club in the new "Taco Tuesday" neon shirt.

Alec Perfetti, 12, Austin Potthoff, 12, Hillary Zitta, 11, Taylor Tiller, 12, Mallory Frey, 12, Ryan Keller, 12, and Becca Braundmeier, 12, all had a delicious meal at Zapata's before the musical "In The Heights."





□ During a French Club meeting, the girls watch Drew Loyet, 11, whisk the crepe batter. The club spent the day cooking different French cuisine at one of the members houses.

**"The Giraffes are invading France"**



□ Alayna Gillespie, 11, and Ashley Nicoloff, 12, taste test the chocolate fondue. Other foods included French cheeses and baggetts.

# "Les giraffes enuahissent la France"

French Club

BY KELSEY LEMARR

Through cooking and fellowship, French Club students expanded their knowledge of French culture. Mrs. Schwarz, the new sponsor, helped the students with her personal knowledge of France. She lived in France during her childhood for 19 years and was able to use this experience to teach the members. Audrie Craft, 12, said, "In French Club I learned that they don't eat cupcakes in France and i learned how to say 'that's what she said' in French." The French Club officers planned cooking parties, movie viewings, and trips to French restaraunts to help students learn of French Culture. Alayna Gillespie said, "The French Club officers are all AWESOME!" Out of all the activities planned, coming up with the t-shirt design was the most exciting. The officers decided on a French Hershey's kiss logo because it was a play on the phrase French kiss. Leach Mckinley said, "My favorite part was deciding t-shirt patterns."



□ The day ended in the creation of crepes. A variety was served including strawberry, banana, Nutella, and blueberry.

# With Honors

N.H.S.

BY AUSTIN POTTHOFF



□ New member, Jason Scott, 12, accepts his NHS pin from this year's guest speaker Principal Hacke. Four new senuior members were inducted this year.

Leadership, service, character, and community were the qualities National Honor Society (NHS) members possessed. They were selected by the teachers of HHS based on their performance inside and outside of the classroom. Those who met the requirements were inducted at the Fall Induction Ceremony. Inductees were given their NHS pins by the guest speaker, Principal Hacke. All members were required to perform six community service hours throughout the school year. They did this by working basketball concessions, volunteering their time at the Winter Dance, or working the annual Senior Citizen Prom. This year's Senior Citizen prom theme was the 1920's flapper era. The commons was decorated with feather boas, pearls, and top hats. The prom had a great turn out, as many local senior citizens came out to dance. Participants were served sandwiches, popcorn, cookies, and punch. The senior officers this year were, Austin Potthoff, who served as president, vice-president Kelsey Lemarr, secretary Taylor Cipicchio, and secretary Sam Pellock.



□ Mrs. Nelson tells the 20 new junior inductees when to walk on stage to recieve their NHS pin from Prinicpal Hacke.

□ Juniors Leah Duncan and Ben Voytas enjoy a dance together at the ahnual Senior Citizen's Prom put on by NHS.





Meeting after school members of the National Art Honor Society prepared projects for the Coffee House Caberet.



Ashlynn Frey, 11, and Alayna Gillespie, 11, work on clay molds for the Hatai awarness bracelets. The money the bracelets raised wen toward the Hatai Relief fund.

# Artsy Fartsy

N.A.H.S.

BY KELSEY LEMARR

For the past nine years Highland High school has supported National Art Honor Society (NAHS) and its many endeavors. The members are hand chosen by a panel of teachers and art majors from surrounding schools after they have submitted five original pieces of art, wrote a paper on the value of art in society, and obtained a teacher recomendation on character and service. NAHS members were highly focused on community involve- ment. They helped out with Haiti Relief by selling clay bracelets to raise money. With the help of Independant Impact these braclets were sold at Coffee House Caberet. Memory Projects were also a major community service project. Mrs. Burns discovered this project on the news where students drew portraits of orphans and sent the portraits to them with person- alized letters.



The week of Coffee House Caberet student artwork in the commons for the school to see. This tiger drawn by Kelly Bone, 12, was included.

# Where the Green Grass Grows

F.F.A

BY HAYLEE KORTE

For 78 years the Highland High School FFA Organization has strived to develop competent and assertive agricultural leadership, to encourage achievement in supervised agricultural programs, and to promote excellence in the classroom. At the helm was President Julie Sauls, 11, and Vice President Jordan Mettler, 12. These two officers and their leadership team traveled great distances, both east and west, as part of the year's activities. They attended the National FFA Conference in Indianapolis, IN. In November and a livestock judging competition in Denver, CO in January. Mettler said, "Denver was a good time. We learned a lot and Tyler Gross, 12, wiped out on the snow, and it was fun listening to Mike Rowe make fun of almost everything in Indianapolis." One event the FFA members looked forward to was the annual auction, which raised a large amount of money. The proceeds helped fund various activities and was enjoyed by students and community members. They also sponsored the FFA breakfast, where the students cooked for their teachers and then had the opportunity to sit down and enjoy their own meals as well.



□ Aaron Schneider, 10, helps a Highland Historical Society Member pitch hay at Latzer Homestead's Harvest Day in the fall. The students liked this event and always looked forward to helping out.



□ At the National FFA Conference Caleb Brink, 11, Jordan Mettler, 12, and Dan Ammann, 10, joke around by pretending to dive into the fountain. Ammann said, "FFA is a great experience and we always have a lot of fun."

□ David Ammann, 12, Ethan Hanold, 12, of Southwestern Piassa, and Zach Theims, 12, participate as judges in a competition at DuQuoin State Fair. The judging team returned home with first place.





□ Alyssa Frerker, 12, and Emily Barth, 12, inventory gifts for Adopt-a-Family. "It was fun to shop for the kids knowing they would have something special for Christmas," said Frerker.



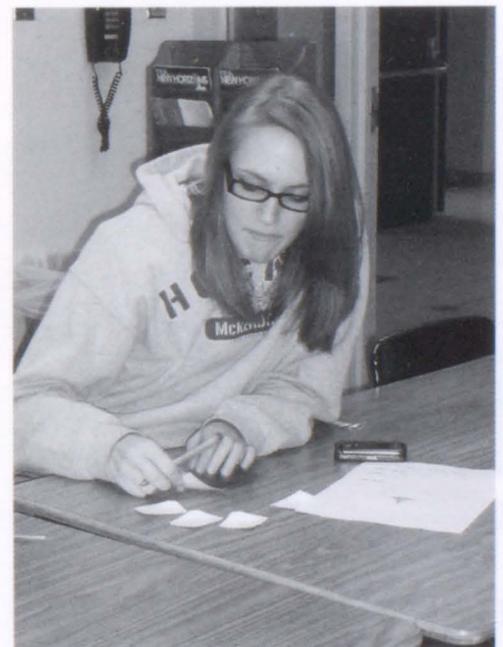
□ Sarah Wagner, 11, and Cheyenne Miranda, 11, sign into one of the monthly meetings. The secretary kept a record of attendance and collected the dues to pay for field trips.

## The Foot Bone's Connected to the Ankle Bone...

F.M.C.C.

BY MEGAN BLACKBURN

**F**uture Medical Careers Club (FMCC) was a group dedicated to students interested in the medical field. The club met once a month to discuss future activities for their agenda. During the year, the club welcomed guest speakers from the area whose careers ranged from a surgeon, athletic trainer, and an EMT. Around the holiday season, FMCC participated in Adopt-a-Family. Club members donated wrapping paper and toys for children, which the officers delivered to the family in time for Christmas. Other activities included the Red Cross blood drive where club members made sure the donors recovered by supplying juice and pizza. To cover fees for field trips, members donated time at the boys and girls basketball games where they worked at the concession stand. Due to the H1N1 virus, trips to the St. Louis hospitals were limited, but certain members were permitted to job shadow. Mrs. Duckworth, along with officers Alyssa Frerker, Megan Blackburn, and Leah Duncan led the club.



□ Hayley Peters, 11, signs up to volunteer for concessions. This was another opportunity to raise money for field trips.

# Family Matters

F.C.C.L.A.

BY ALYSSA FRERKER

A new club, Family, Careers, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) was brought to our school. Mrs. Jones was the club advisor, the president was Meghan Jorgensen, 12., and treasurer was Chelsey Roberts, 12. Students learned life skills: planning, goal setting, problem solving, decision making, and communication. FCCLA was one of the only clubs with family as its primary focus. The first event the club participated in was a trip to Springfield, Illinois. Students observed demonstrations and listened to speakers talk about different careers. To raise funds for the club, FCCLA members hosted a babysitting night in the high school gym. The students watched children while their parents finished holiday shopping. With the money raised, students were able to go on a field trip to the City Museum. Other events hosted by FCCLA were a fundraiser for Children's Miracle Network and trips to showcase projects completed in their family and consumer science classes. Mrs. Jones, club advisor and family and consumer science teacher, was excited to bring this club to our school.



□ Candyce Frey, 11, and Sarah Eilers, 11, tie-dye their logo t-shirts at an afternoon meeting. Afterwards, they discussed ideas for fundraisers to pay for future field trips.



□ FCCLA members gather together for a group shot at a hotel in Springfield. Here they met with other FCCLA groups from across Illinois.

□ Amanda Noll, 11, helps with arts and crafts during the babysitting fundraiser. The children made holiday crafts as presents for their parents.





□ Nathan Oliveira, 12, gets his finger pricked as part of the preparation for giving blood.

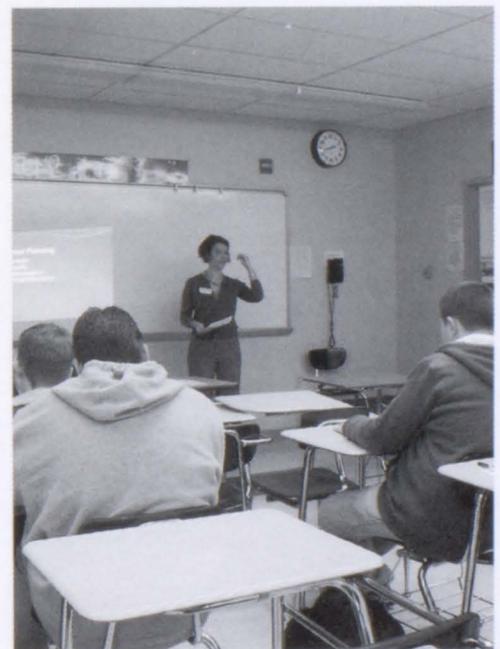
□ Students of JILG prepared to deliver the carnations from the fundraiser.

# Ready for the Future

J.I.L.G.

BY LINDSAY COMPTON

**J**obs for Illinois Graduate (JILG) is a state of Illinois award winning program offered to seniors who wanted to get a head start on building their job skills. This program automatically made each student a member of the Illinois Career Association (ICA), which was a leadership organization that taught citizenship skills through community service. In class, students prepared career research projects and job portfolios to learn how to get a job and keep it. JILG also held a blood drive, which gave students the chance to donate blood and save lives. Seventy-two people gave blood; of the 72 donors, 71 were first time volunteers. The blood donated from the fundraiser will be used to save up to 210 lives. Another fundraiser JILG held was the carnation sales for Valentine's Day. JILG inspired students to prepare for a wide open future.



□ In class, students of JILG have many lectures and presentations for their future. Here a speaker from SWIC talks to the class about careers.

# Are YOU Smarter Than A WYSE Member?

W.Y.S.E.

BY MICHAELA WHEELER

**W**orldwide Youth in Science and Engineering, WYSE consisted of about 18 student members. At competitions WYSE members took tests on specific topics such as biology, chemistry, english, mathematics, physics, computer fundamentals, and graphics engineering. The competitions lasted usually about half a day, two hours for testing, and the rest for setting up and presenting awards. This club has been around since 1982. When the club was put together the beginning name was J.E.T.S. (Junior Engineering Technical Society.) But later on was changed by the University of Illinois. While some competed as a team, others competed individually, being scored on their individual subjects. On February 5, they competed at SWIC and won second place. They then advanced onto sectionals, March 11, and earned second place again. They took home medals in six out of the seven categories. For the first time in years, the whole team advanced to State at University of Illinois on April 21. There Olivia Geiger got 5th place and Ricky Newcomb got 6th.



□ Holding their second place regional trophy, Ryan Keltner, 12, Nathan Oliveira, 12, Simon Menz, 12, and Ricky Newcomb, 11, give a thumbs up. Several of the team members advanced to sectionals at McKendree University.



□ Ryan Keltner, 12, plays the piano for money while sitting around at the competition. The teammates made fun while waiting at the competitions.

□ Front Row: Austin Holtzclaw, Jacob Rose, Sam Holderman, Olivia Geiger, and Blake Petermeier  
 Second Row: Cristopher Uhe, Ricky Newcomb, Lauren Miller, Melissa Bossler, John Petermeier.  
 Back Row: Simon Menz, Kevin Kimmle, Jordan Durbin, Nathan Oliveira, Ryan Keltner.





# Behind the Numbers

## Math Team

BY SAMANTHA BROCKMAN

The math team consisted of the best math minds at our school. With five seniors, three juniors, three sophomores, and three freshmen, they competed against other high schools in the area. Ms. Walker and Mrs. Kimmle advised the group that visited Southwestern Illinois College on four different occasions. While there, they each took individual tests and team tests, and placed second. Each four member team consisted of one student from each grade. To determine who would compete, the students took placement tests and the best scorers went. Another competition they attended was Excellence in Mathematics held at the St. Louis Community College, where the senior team placed seventh. Math team was not all about taking tests, but there were plenty of other reasons that interested students. "The math team is a time to test my knowledge and apply what I know," said Ryan Keltner, 12. Nathan Oliveira, 12, said "My favorite part is finding the mathematical patterns through equations."

- Members of the team prepare before their competition at the Excellence in Mathematics. They arrive early and have plenty of time to warm up their brains.



- Front Row: Katie Brinker, Morgan Fuehne, 9, Olivia Geiger, 10, Jay Hargis, 9, Blake Petermeier, 11. Back Row: Nathan Oliveira, 12, Sam Holdeman, 10, Ryan Keltner, 12, and John Petermeier, 11.



- Front Row: John Petermeier, 11, Jay Hargis, 9, Blake Petermeier, 11, Olivia Geiger, 10. Back Row: Simon Menz, 12, Ryan Keltner, 12, Jeremy Keller, 11, Logan Garthe, 10.

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# Wizz Kids

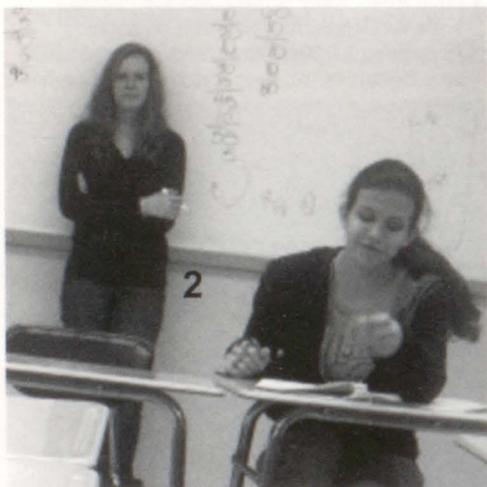
## Scholar Bowl

BY EMILY BARTH

**W**ith the start of the season the scholar bowl team welcomed two new coaches, Ms. Walker and Mrs. Meyer. "I was very satisfied at the way this season went and all the dedication the students put out," said Ms. Walker. The varsity team ended their season with 16 wins and two losses. "This years season was great, everyone worked together really well!" said Nathan Oliveras, 12. The jv also had a sucessful season finishing off with 17 wins and two losses. "My favorite thing about this years season was that we won a lot! We lost against Triad at first but then beat them the second time which was awesome!" said Amanda McCubbins, 11, member of the jv team. The varsity and jv. teams both advanced onto regionals where they placed first.



□ Simon Menz, 12, sits back and watches his teammate Ryan Keltner, 12, write their formulated answer on the board. They're two of the four seniors that made up the varsity team.



□ Emily Comish, 10, concentrates on the goal of figuring out the correct answer to her problem. Meanwhile Coleen Counce, 10, stands at the board ready to check her answer.

□ Cole Pabst, 11, Katie Brinker, 9, Kalen Wagner, 11, and Ethan Rife sitting together as a team. Teams had to confer and deliver answers in only five minutes.





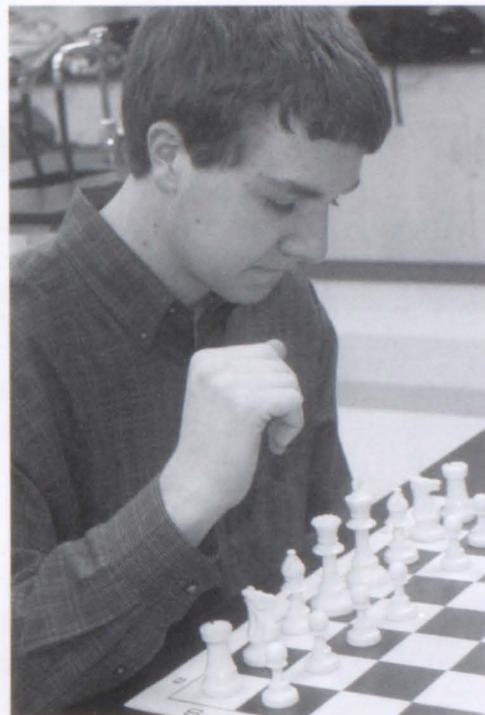
□ Front Row: Jeremy Keller, John Petermeier, Blake Petermeier, Logan Garthe. Back Row: Simon Menz, Blake Korte, Ryan Keltner, Sam Holdeman, Ricky Newcomb (Not Pictured: Jase Kennett)

# You Got Rooked!

Chess Team

BY COLLEEN CAHALAN

I joined Chess Club because I have no social life," joked Jeremy Keller, 11. Despite common beliefs about Chess Club, the club's membership increased. Every Wednesday they met with the middle and elementary school teams at the middle school. In the two hours a week they practiced, members paired up and used moves like the Scotch, Sicilian, and the Bobby Fisher to outwit their opponents. "I like to use the Collie Zook Re-tort when I start to lose a game. It throws my competitor off," said Simon Menz, 12. At the Lindbergh High School Gateway Tournament, Jase Kennett, 9, placed second and partners Blake Korte, 9, and Ricky Newcomb, 11, took home third place. The club used the US Chess Federation rules and rating system to determine play policies.



□ Sam Holdeman, 10, makes his first move playing against his opponent. In chess, the first move is just as important as the last move.



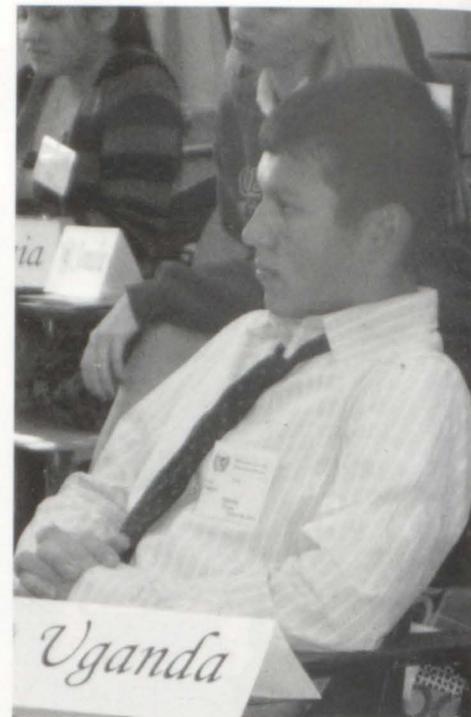
□ "Chess is for intellectuals," said Jeremy Keller, 11, here as he builds a tower of chess pieces while waiting for his next match.

# Great Debators

Model U.N.

BY AUSTIN POTTHOFF

Being a model of the United Nations, Model U.N. student delegates had the opportunity to discuss and debate international topics by representing the countries of Uganda, Pakistan, Sir Lanka, and Chile. Alaina Kosydor, 9, said, "I was afraid of sounding stupid in a room full of smart people, but I learned you do not have to be a genius to be in Model U.N." Students interested in joining Model U.N. were generally interested in worldwide issues. Debate topics included Darfur, piracy, and womens' rights. Model U.N. delegates researched hours to prepare for the McKendree University Conferences in the fall and spring. Practice improved debate and communication skills. Members enjoyed heated debates about many topics. Amanda McCubbins, 11, was chair at many of the practices. "During a practice debate, Kalen Wagoner, 11, and Sam Holdeman, 10, wrote an epic resolution promoting communistic terrorism, and paying for it with Colombian drugs." said McCubbins.



□ Austin Happold, 11, listens in on a discussion about Ethic Minorities in his committee, 3rd SCH. Happold's first year on Model U.N. went well.



□ Halie Miller, 11, discusses a resolution with other Model U.N. delegates. The resolution was passed with the help of Miller.

□ Front Row: Brian Murphy, Amanda McCubbins, John Rekowski. Second Row: Logan Garthe, Alaina Kosydor, and Emily Klobuchar. Back Row: Halie Miller, Ricky Newcomb, Sam Holdeman, Austin Holtzelaw, and Andy Dickman.





□ Front Row: Sam Holdemann, Nathan Oliveira, Brian Murphy, Lauren Miller, Katie Brinker. Back Row: Simon Menz, Ryan Keltner, Matt Voss, Kevin Kimmle, Morgan Fuehne. Not Pictured: Tim Johnson, Cole Stirewalt, Jordan Durbin, Ashley Vohlken, Sarah Randle, Sierrah Oldenkamp, Jessica Nave, Cameron Cagle.

## Going for the Gold

### Science Olympiad

BY MADI LANEY

Science Olympiad consisted of rigorous academic competitions; these competitions included a series of team events that were balanced between the science disciplines of biology, earth science, chemistry, physics, and technology. Anyone who had interest in Science Olympiad had the opportunity to join. This year, there were 20 members on the squad as a whole. Cole Stirewalt, 11, said, "I joined Science Olympiad because I like science and a couple of my friends encouraged me to join." Mrs. Simmons, chemistry teacher, was the coach of Science Olympiad. The teams met about once a month from November through February. However, the students could also meet on their own throughout the season to prepare for the events. Those that planned on taking tests practiced individually, and those that built models generally worked in groups. The regional competition took place in February at Southern Illinois University in Edwardsville. Each tournament was one day only, consisted of about 25 events, and each event lasted about an hour. The events included taking tests, building and testing apparatuses, and working together to solve problems. The participants competed with other public and private high schools from the Springfield area and other southern Illinois towns. Both medals and championship trophies were awarded. The team received fifth in the tournament, missing state qualification by one place. Mrs. Simmons said, "My favorite part about leading Science Olympiad is the award ceremonies because students are so excited when they do well in their events. I really enjoy watching their faces and am proud of their achievements."



□ Kevin Kimmle, 11, searches for supplies that may be beneficial to his event "It's About Time." He and his partner, Cole Stirewalt, received third place in the event at the SIUE competition.



□ At the SIUE competition, Ryan Keltner, 12, received a certificate for his achievements. Keltner was a four-year member of Science Olympiad and said, "I'm going to miss the impound competitions the most because I really enjoyed the building aspect of the club."

# Working on the Weekends

## Saturday Scholars

BY HILLARY ZITTA

Saturday Scholars was a highly selective club with a handful of 23 students led by Mrs. Hirsch and Mrs. Wagenblast. Every Saturday morning in February they hopped on a school bus and traveled to a different destination. Their trips were to the O'Fallon High School where 15 other schools joined them. To start off the year, "Energy for the Future" was the opening of the month which gave everyone knowledge about future fuels. The speaker challenged the students to figure out new ideas to save our current energy. The following weekend was about the science of baseball which was a hands-on presentation. It gave insight on how physics and laws of gravity fit into the sport. Glenn McCoy, a political and editorial cartoonist, was the last presenter. McCoy is famous in nationwide newspapers and he displayed many of his used cartoons to the audience. To finish off the month, the scholars took a trip to U of I to tour the different Agriculture and Engineering exhibits on campus. The group talked with current undergraduates about future career paths in those departments. Mitch England, 9, said, "Getting lost on campus was the most memorable part of the trip. My group mainly stuck around the engineering part which was extremely interesting."



▣ Jacob Weis, 10, tests one of the U of I's student projects. This was a robotic arm which was one example of the many mechanical engineering department displays.



▣ Testing out the engineering projects, Hillary Zitta, 11, faces a challenging task of moving packing peanuts from one bucket to the other.

▣ Kathy Rausch, 11, Jacob Weis, 10, Jacob Melosi and Jazmin Olivares, 11 stand in front of one of the engineering buildings on the U of I campus.





# Focus on Leadership

Focus St. Louis

BY HILLARY ZITTA

**F**ocus St. Louis (FSL), founded in 1989, was a program that provided high school juniors around the metropolitan area with a firsthand opportunity to gain leadership and problem-solving skills. After an interview process, six students were chosen to represent our school along with 180 other students from the St. Louis area. The program began with a weekend retreat in the Ozarks where members connected with one another and learned about leadership qualities. They explored issues like diversity, crime and violence, and the effects of poverty by touring different locations that sparked dialogue. They attended workshops at the St. Louis City Hall where they visited the different neighborhoods of the city and brainstormed ideas of how to better the areas. They took trips to County Area Courts and Prisons where they learned about how to prevent gangs and crimes in their school. FSL also had the chance to visit the Holocaust Museum, the social service agencies, the KETC Broadcasting Company, and a homeless shelter. An assortment of people discussed other social issues of the world that they could affect: a radio broadcaster, an ex-gang member, and the St. Louis mayor's assistant. Graduation was in May where individuals were recognized as true youth leaders. Mrs. Mertes was the group advisor for the year. Ben Voytas said, "We were the only school from Illinois and it was fun to connect with a different scale of teens. It was awesome to skip school and learn about leadership in a more exciting way."

□ Juniors Ben Voytas, Hillary Zitta, Megan Kujawa, Mrs. Mertes (sponsor), Brittany Vice, and Ashley Vohlken enjoy a brief break at the Lake of the Ozarks Focus St. Louis retreat.



□ Members tour the Grand Central neighborhood, and discovered a world beyond the walls of Highland High School. "This trip was my favorite field trip of the year," said Megan Kujawa.



□ At the FSL retreat, the group not only bonded with each other, they had the opportunity to bond with nature. Brittany Vice said, "The atmosphere was peaceful and set the mood for learning."

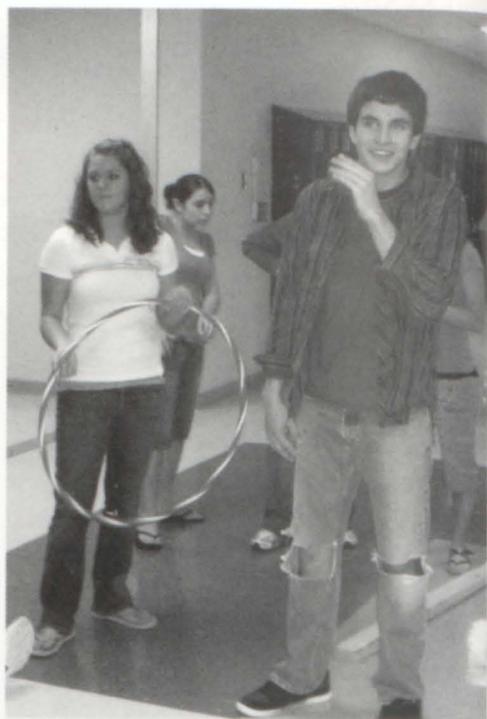
## CLUBS

# Leading the Way

Ambassadors

BY ASHLEY NICOLOFF

Not many people know what the Ambassadors Club does, but the new students and freshmen are familiar with them. Lindsey Daily, 12, a student leader in the group, said "An Ambassador is an older student who helps freshmen and new students transition to the high school." The main event the Ambassadors hosted is Freshmen Day. Incoming freshmen went on tours led by student leaders, met their teachers, and practiced walking through their schedules. The group revamped the event this year by splitting freshmen into their EL's so they would be familiar with their classmates. But before Freshmen Day could be held, student leaders had to go through training. The leaders participated in team building activities and organized the tours. One of the other priorities of the Ambassador group was to help out new students. Many leaders took on the role of a guide and helped familiarize these students. Guides walked the students to and from classes until the students were comfortable with their schedule.



□ Lindsey Daily, 12, and Drew Loyet, 11, used a hula hoop and assorted objects to make it through an obstacle course as a team. The Ambassadors participated in many activities as part of their leadership training.



□ Part of being an Ambassador is showing around new students. Emily Barth, 12, gives a tour to Mariah Klenke, 11, in the math hallway. Mariah transferred from Mater Dei this year.

□ Team building was one of the top priorities for the Ambassador group. The group of leaders participated in an obstacle course to help learn to lead. Front Row: Brittany Vice, Caysea Love. Second Row: Ashley Vohlken, Ansley Watson, Sierrah Oldenkamp, Ben Hahn. Back Row: Kole Pabst, Andrea Kampwerth, Ben Voytas, Kalen Wagner, Drew Loyet.





Mr. Lanxon distributes goods to all the classes' tables for the food drive. All the highschool coaches contributed to this filled cart.



Rachel Goestenkors and Larry Jones lead the club in the Pledge of Allegiance. The LEO club began each meeting with the pledge, immediately followed by updates on their projects.

# Lions, LEOs, and Service... Oh My!

Leo Club

BY MEGAN KUJAWA

The Leadership Experience Opportunity (LEO) Club, sponsored by the Highland Lions Club, was the youth version of the Lions Club. "LEO Club let students get involved in the community by helping out through different projects," said president Rachel Goestenkors, 11. They held fundraisers such as selling nachos at the PBJ Festival, and took their profits to help host middle school dances. LEO Club's major project was a food drive. A class competition was held to see which class could bring in the most nonperishable goods. The winners, the freshmen class, enjoyed free ice cream sundaes after lunch one day. All goods brought were delivered to the Food Pantry by Earl Steiner, club advisor.



Hillary Zitta, 11, and Micky Wheeler, 11, bring goods for the junior table.

# Reader's Choice

## Book Club

BY ALYSSA FRERKER

**B**ook Club was a small group that met four times a year and shared an interest. The main purpose of meeting was to analyze novels. They read two books, The Girl With a Pearl Earring and The Other Boleyn Girl. The theme this year was to read books that have been transformed into movies. After the novel was finished, the group met to share their thoughts on the book, and also compared and contrasted the book to the film version. Snacks, food, and drinks were provided at the meetings, which were held in the high school library after school. A new event was the "girls' day out", which was held in December. The group went to Edwardsville for lunch, spent time at Borders, and then attended an afternoon matinee. Bailey Bricker, 12, said "I was glad I joined the club this year, and the girls day out was my favorite part!" Mrs. Nancy Gentemen was the sponsor and led most of the discussions. The focus of the club was to socialize as well as enjoy reading.



□ Elizabeth Raynor, 11, and Kayla Frey, 11, compare the book and movie version of The Other Boleyn Girl.



□ Sam 9, and Robin Allen 12, read The Girl with the Pearl Earring. Afterward, the group discussed the contents of the story.

□ Waiting for the meeting to start are Elizabeth Raynor, 11, Sam Campos, 12, Kayla Frey 11, Emily Kinsey 11, Katherine Mueller 11, and Emily Lucia, 12.





□ Making a quick thinking save, goalie Arron Wilcox, 12, dives down to divert the puck.



□ The Bulldogs bond in a huddle after scoring against Jerseyville during their season opener. They defeated the Panthers with a score of 6-0.

# Power Play!

## Hockey

BY SAMANTHA BROCKMAN

The drive to the ice rink may have been lengthy for their fans, but it was worthwhile to watch the 2009-2010 Highland Bulldog Hockey Club. Led by Coach Jeff Weinacht, the team finished second in the Western Division. This division consisted also of Bethalto, East Alton Wood River, Jerseyville, Marquette-Alton, and Roxanna. The team ended their season with a record of 7-12-1. As members of the MVCHA, they played and practiced at the East Alton Ice Arena along with 22 other local high schools and college teams. This limited their practices, which would sometimes last past midnight. During these practices they focused on drills to improve their offense. After a great season, seniors Jimmy Hoffman, Justin Troxell, Arron Wilcox, along with juniors Taylor Heinold and Tyler Klostermann were all named members of the All Star Team.



□ Showing off his skills against the Waterloo Bulldogs, Tyler Klostermann, 11, retrieves the puck for his team.

# Picture Perfect Memories

Yearbook

BY LINDSAY COMPTON

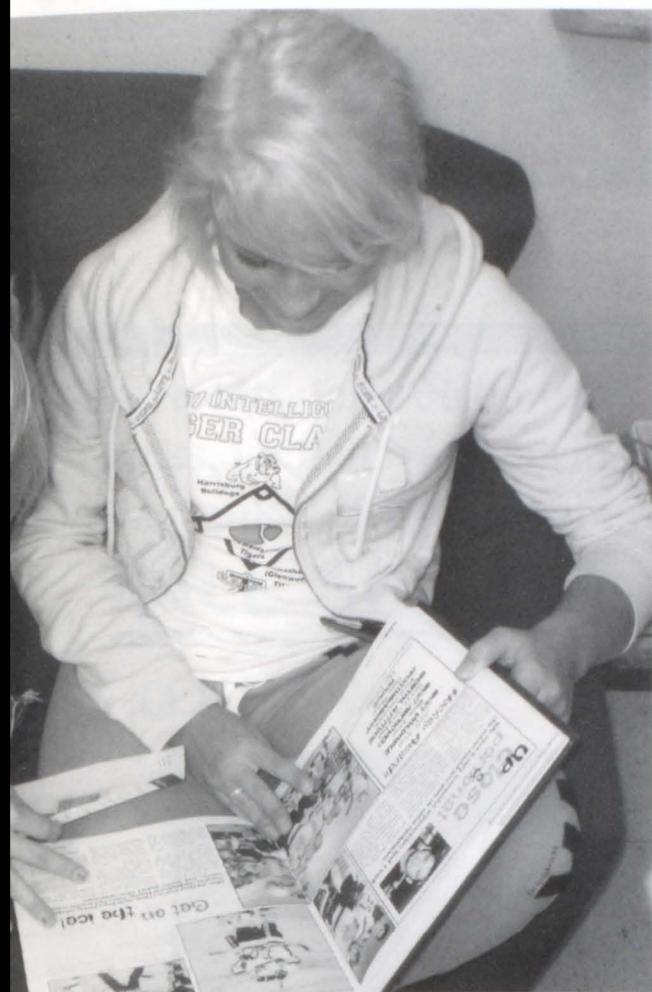
Yearbook class was based on two detailed things, advertising and layout deadlines. Students of the 2010 Iris yearbook staff set goals to sell as many ads as possible and were assigned pages for the yearbook which had to be prepared and detailed to perfection on correct dates. Mrs. Martz, yearbook advisor, and yearbook editors, Jason Scott and Lukas Korte, kept everything organized and the chaos under control. "Although being an editor was a challenge, I had a lot of fun and I am pleased with the final product. It's nice to know that I will be able to look back on this year's book and know that I was part of it," said Lukas Korte, 12. The theme for this year's book was Time Magazine. After the layout had been looked over, revised, and corrected, the finished product was developed on the computer. Each student was assigned to take pictures of the sport or activity he was assigned. Staffers cropped photos to fit the layouts and wrote captions for pictures. The yearbook staff went on a field trip to the Herff-Jones workshop at the University of Missouri St. Louis (UMSL). They were divided in small groups and put into different seminars to learn everything about creating the perfect yearbook. As an icebreaker, each school was asked to come up with a cheer about yearbook. "My favorite part of the year was at UMSL when my famous high kick went wrong and left everyone laughing as I fell and hit my head," said Austin Potthoff. The making of the 2010 Iris yearbook was based on making memories last forever and reminding us that time was on our side.



▣ Austin Potthoff, 12, poses at the door, adding life to the yearbook classroom.

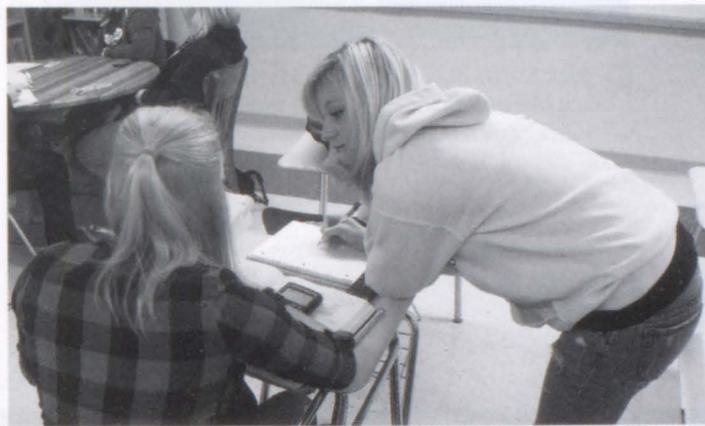
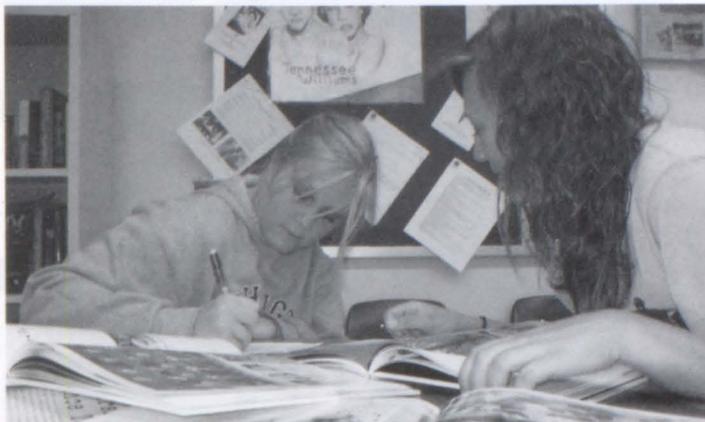


▣ Editor Jason Scott, 12, discusses plans for a new page with Dakota Gilbert, 12. Any page adjustments had to also be changed on the yearbook ladder.

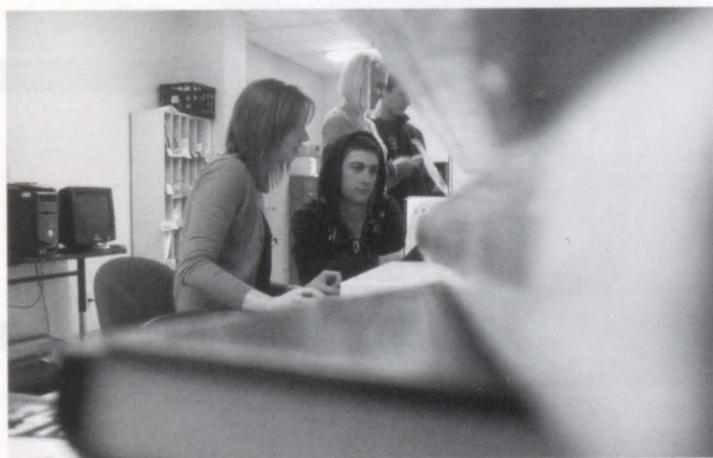


Staffers Taylor Tiller, 12, and Hillary Zitta, 11, look at the previous class's yearbook for inspiration.

Senior staffers Haylee Korte and Mallory Frey dig through sources for information regarding their layouts.



Madi Laney, 11, and Micky Wheeler, 11, give each other ideas for their layouts.



Focused on the computer screen, Ashley Schrage, 12, adds photos to her layout as editor Lukas Korte, 12 looks on. Staffers, Hillary Zitta, 11, and Trent Kessman, 12, attend to other layouts.



The sponsor of yearbook, Mrs. Martz, edits one of her staff's many layouts.



▣ Alex Kopp, 10, Logan Frank, 11, Allison Miller, 10, and Mariah Miranda, 10 are all smiles after a home victory this football season.



▣ Watching anxiously as the Bulldogs fight to gain ground against the Waterloo Bulldogs, the student section cheers their team on during the homecoming game.



▣ The jv quarterback, Trent Donaldson, 11, waits patiently to take the field while the defense works hard to prevent Centralia from scoring.

# TIME to Perform

To many students, the fall season meant hard hits, long distance running, penalty kicks, long drives, serving aces, and setting spikes. Together, they define HHS'

## FALL SPORTS

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□ Makenna Stewart, 9, Molly Redman, 10, McKenzie, 9, Kaitlyn Dennap, 10, Alena White, 10, Jamie Hunsdorfer, 10, Emily Comish, 10, stand for a picture before running their meet. Having been all underclassmen, the girls' cross country team showed a lot of potential for the future of their sport.

# SPORTS

## CROSS COUNTRY

### Regional Champions: boys and girls cross country 2009.



At the Edwardsville meet senior Landon Goldstein runs neck and neck with a Triad opponent.



Front Row: A.J. Abert, 10, Chris Weidner, 12, Dylan Gregg, 10, Stephen Rensing, 11, Tim Johnson, 12. Back Row: Nathan Oliveira, 12, Jared Schmitz, 11, Landon Goldstein, 12, and Alex Mccloud, 12.



Front Row: Abbey Rinderer, 9, Makenna Stewart, 9. Second Row: , Kaitlyn Demap, 10, Jamie Hunsdorfer, 10, Emily Comish, 10. Back Row: Molly Redman, 10, McKenzie Shelton, 9, Alena White, 10.

<p><b>Boys</b>  Jerseyville- 3rd  Triad- 2nd  Edwardsville- 2nd  Conference- 1st  Regionals- 3rd  Sectionals- 10th</p>	<p><b>Girls</b>  Jerseyville- 3rd  Triad- 3rd  Edwardsville- 4th  Conference- 1st  Regionals- 3rd  Sectionals- 14th</p>
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# MILEstones

The Wind

2010-11

BY EMILY BARTH

GIRLS BOYS

The cross country team put in many miles during the fall season. Both boys and girls, ranging from freshmen to seniors, practiced everyday after school from 3:15 to 5:30. They ran long miles around town in order to get in shape for their many meets including conference. The conference meet was held at Triad and was rewarding for both the boys and the girls. The boys won first place and the girls took third. Both of their placements let them advance to regionals located in Decatur. "The teams greatest accomplishment this year was winning first in conference and advancing to regionals," said Alex McCloud, 12, and team captain. Alongside McCloud as team captains were Chris Weidner, 12, Alanna White, 10, and Kaitlyn Denap, 10. Both the boys and the girls placed third at regionals and advanced to sectionals, which was located in Decatur. There the boys placed tenth and the girls placed 14th which marked the end of the season. Denap said, "Although the girls were outnumbered this year with no seniors or juniors, we still did great and got first at conference. It was awesome to go onto sectionals!" Another accomplishment for the team was that Landon Goldstein, 12, qualified for state in Peoria, Illinois where he placed 69th. "I was thrilled to go to state this year, and I was proud of the way it turned out." said Goldstein. Most of the other team members went along to cheer for Goldstein during his race. Other highlights of the season included the boys and girls second place win over Triad and third place at both the Edwardsville and Jacksonville meets.



Walking to the starting point at the conference meet are sophomores Emily Comish, Kaitlyn Denap, and Alaina White.

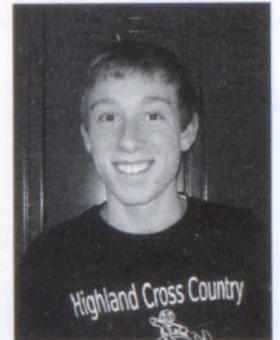


Coach Vance congratulates Dylan Gregg, 10, with a high five for his solid performance at the Jerseyville meet.



Jared Schmitz, 11, concentrates on winning the race against Mater Dei and Alton at the Jerseyville Meet. "While running I focus on where we are going to meet after." said Schmitz.

Q: What was your most memorable moment during Cross Country?



A: "My most memorable moment was winning first at conference and going on to regionals."

-Chris Weidner, 12

A: "Going to Regionals and beating Triad were my most memorable moments."

-Kaitlyn Denap, 10

A: "Beating Triad and having to run in the rain were the most memorable because everyone got soaked."

-Emily Comish, 10

## GIRLS GOLF

▣ **Lowest 18 Hole Round:** Megan Jakel with a 35 on a Par 36 at Oak Brook Golf Course.



- ▣ Ashley Wellen, 11, receives her sixth place medal. She fought hard to help her team win the Edwardsville Invitational.
- ▣ Securing her bag, Megan Jakel, 12, makes sure her clubs do not get wet from the rain. The team played through a downpour and were rewarded with a rainbow.



### Scoreboard

Madison Co. Tourn.	1st
Blast Off Tourn.	2nd
Mascoutah Inv.	3rd
Belleville East Inv.	3rd
Belk Park MVC Tourn.	1st
Dick Gerber Inv.	1st
IHSA Regionals	3rd
IHSA Sectionals	5th



▣ Front Row: Kayla Martin, 11, Megan Jakel, 12, Ashley Wellen, 11, Taylor Kauh, 11. Second Row: Codi Gramlich, 10, Emily Manley, 9, Hayley Welz, 11, Emily Michael, 10, Casey Keller, 10. Back Row: Harmony Kapp, 9, Sarah Trobaugh, 10, Cori Rehkemper, 9, Hayley VonderHarr, 10, Katie Douglas, 9, and Coach Gina Hirsch.

# Hitting into the *Wind*

BY MEGAN JAKEL

LIGO ZYON

The lady bulldogs golf team and coach Gina Hirsch had an impressive season ending in 25-1. They started off by taking first place as a team at Fox Creek in the Madison County Tournament. They also took second place at Rolling Hills, and first place in the Edwardsville Invitational at Oak Brook. They captured another first place trophy at the Mississippi Valley Conference for the fourth year in a row, and their junior varsity team was undefeated. The girls exceeded every expectation that the coach had for them. Megan Jakel, 12, Ashley Wellen, 11, Taylor Kauh, 11, Hayley Welz, 11, Kayla Martin, 11, Emily Michael, 10, Hayley Vonderharr, 10, and Sarah Trobaugh, 10, all helped the team advance to regionals. Wellen said, "To help prepare myself for regionals and sectionals I practiced and worked on the weakest areas of my game." At regionals in Carbondale, the team propelled to third place and a final qualifying position allowing them to advance to the sectional round. Jakel and Wellen were leaders all season, and they gave big leads going into every match. Jakel had a round breaking year. She broke the lowest 18 hole record with a 71 par at Oak Brook on a day when the weather was cold and winds were up to 35mph. She also broke the lowest nine hole record shooting 35 at Arlington. At the Mississippi Valley Conference, Jakel took second place her freshman and junior year, and she took first her sophomore and senior year. Even though no one made it out of the sectional round, the girls had an outstanding season. "Our team really came together as a whole at our matches and tournaments. Megan was a real help to our team by not only being a good player, but by helping everyone with their games and by giving advice about courses. Everyone on the team was supportive and encouraging towards one another," said Martin. Coach Hirsch said, "You never master golf. You take what it gives, and you learn from it."



□ The top six lady golfers capture another first place in the Edwardsville Invitational at Oak Brook. Hayley Welz, Taylor Kauh, Megan Jakel, Ashley Wellen, Kayla Martin, and Sarah Trobaugh all stayed very focused and confident with their games to bring home a trophy.

□ Walking to the ninth hole, Hayley Welz, 11, tries to keep her cool on a hot day. Many golf matches were played in stifling hot weather.



Q: What was your favorite part of the season?

A: "I really liked hanging out with all the girls before and after matches."

-Kayla Martin, 11

Q: How did you prepare for the matches?

A: "We had practice after school, and hit balls before matches and worked on putting."

-Sarah Trobaugh, 10

Q: Was it difficult to balance school and golf?

A: "At times it can be overwhelming, but you learn to manage your time."

-Taylor Kauh, 11

**BOYS GOLF**



☐ Alec Perfetti, 12, and Brendan Bargetzi, 12, take a difficult shot off the Highland Country Club cart shed. In golf players must play the ball as it lies.

☐ Nick Italiano, 11, lines up for an important putt at conference. The team went on to place second.



**Scoreboard**

Belk Park	Third
Mattoon Inv.	24th
Belk Park	Second
Timber Lakes	Third
Annbriar	Qual



☐ First Row: David Ammann, Tyler Klosterman, Chris Ehlke, Tenor Kapp. Second Row: Chad Mayes, Brendan Bargetzi, Nick Italiano, Alex Young. Back Row: Alec Perfetti, Michael Boyer, Cole Stirewalt, Kalen Wagoner.

# Play It As It Lies

BY TRENT KESSMANN

The boy's golf team finished with an impressive record of 18 wins and nine losses. The Bulldogs kicked the season off with the Madison County Tournament at Belk Park in Alton, where they finished third. Next, the team moved to the Mattoon Invitational, where they finished 24th out of 37 teams. Led by senior Brendan Bargetzi, the team took second in conference at Belk Park. Michael Boyer, 12 said, "The reason we did so well was because everyone came together and played their best." The team then placed third at regionals, which was played at Timber Lakes in Staunton. This qualified the boys for sectionals, at Annbriar in Waterloo. Although the boys did not place, Bargetzi scored well enough to advance to the state competition. That match took place at the Illinois State University golf course, Weibring. Bargetzi set the school record by placing tenth overall. Coach Vince Hughes said, "My favorite tournament was the IHSA state tournament because the quality of play was incredible. Also our goal is to build a program one golfer at a time. Keeping 30 kids on the golf team will allow us to continue to create interest and excitement with more players."



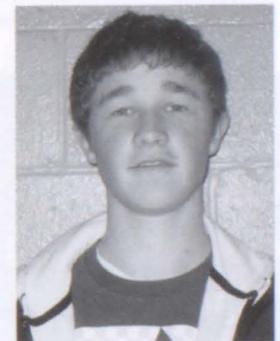
Despite the many successes on the golf course, things didn't always go as planned. Such as this unattended golf cart sinking in the pond.



Alec Perfetti, 12, generates his power from his back-swing. He went on to overdrive the green on a par 4.

- Lowest team score for a 9-hole match: 154
- Lowest individual score for a 9-hole match: 34
- Highest individual score for a 9-hole match: 54

Q: What is one phrase that best describes the team?



"The key to golf is knowing where to hide. It was unreal."  
-Brendan Bargetzi, 12

"We're just here to have fun."  
-Alec Perfetti, 12

"Uhhhhh Brennan (Brendan Bargetzi)."  
-Chad Mayes, 11

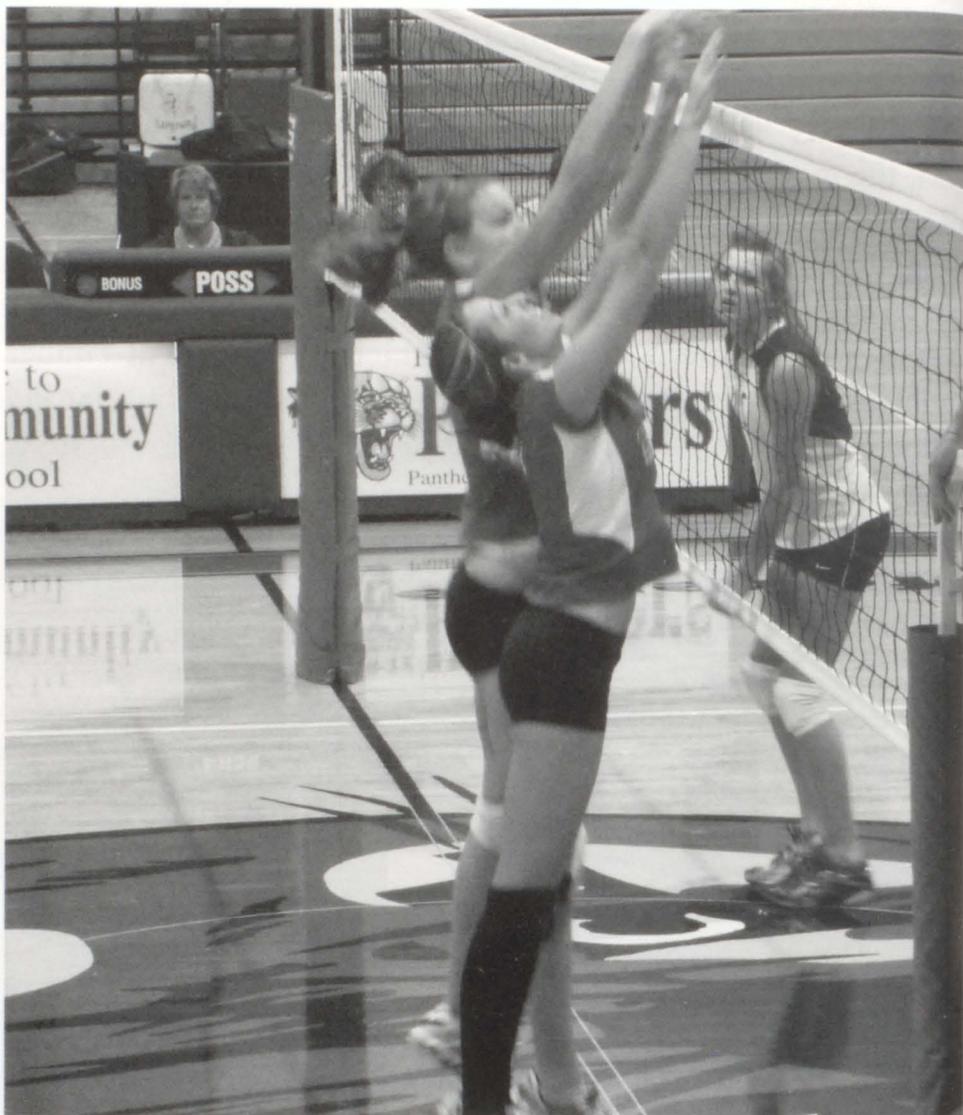
# SPORTS

## JV VOLLEYBALL

- Kill *n.*- an attacked ball that strikes the floor or lands out of bounds after touching an opponent



- The junior varsity girls get pumped for their game against the Mascoutah Indians. Before their games the girls like to stay together and bond as a team for a better outcome. "We all got along really well together which made the season more fun," said Kara Gruner, 10.
- Together, Kathryn Torre 10, and Shayna Painter 10, jump for the block against Jerseyville. Kathryn Torre had 15 blocks for the entire season and Shayna had 9.



### Scoreboard

Waterloo	L
Civil Memorial	W
Triad	L
Jerseyville	W
Waterloo	L
Mascoutah	W
Civil Memorial	W
Triad	L
Jerseyville	W
Waterloo	L
Mascoutah	W



Front Row: Aryn Weis, Alexa Moss, Kara Gruner, Tate Gehrig. Second Row: Ashley Walter, Shayna Painter, Hailey Riddal, Emily Keeven, Maggie Green. Back Row: Coach Tammy Manhart, Kathryn Torre, Kristin Torre, Coach Allison Degroot, and Coach Christy Lutz

# Bump, Set, Spike!

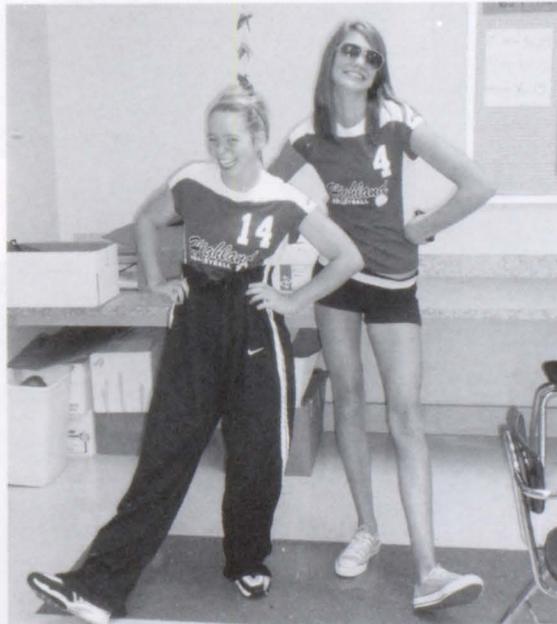
BY ASHLEY SCHRAGE

The junior varsity volleyball team had a rocky season, with a final record of six wins and four losses. “The girls on our junior varsity team were young and had kind of an up and down season. We struggled with consistency. We played really well at times, and not so good at others,” said Coach Tammy Manhart. Leading the team were captains Aryn Weis, 10, and Alexa Moss, 10, both playing as a left sides. The team consisted of seven sophomores and four freshmen. Winning matches was a continuous battle for these girls. After losing their first match to Mascoutah, the girls improved their communication methods and beat Mascoutah at their second match against them. “During the match we really proved to ourselves we can play as a team,” said Shayna Painter. A few short days later they played Triad. “Triad has a really good reputation in volleyball, so we were all nervous and eventually in the game got frustrated, and gave up.” said Kathryn Torre, 10. Although the team took Triad to three games the final outcome resulted in a loss. Like Triad, Mater Dei was also known to have a strong volleyball team. Competing against Mater Dei was intimidating and a learning experience because they had height and playing experience on their side. Next, they beat Jerseyville easily in two games. Because there was a lack of seniors on the varsity team, many of the sophomores and juniors were required to play at a higher level, which was more competitive than junior varsity. “Having a lot of time playing on junior varsity was amazing but, going to varsity with no play time was really tough. Varsity was very competitive and I am ready for next year,” said Kathryn Torre. “We will have everyone back next year, so we are looking forward to next year being a good year!” said Coach Manhart.



As back row, Kara Gruner 10, Shayna Painter 10, and Aryn Weis 10, get ready for the serve. Gruner, as libero, was the lead passer.

Alexa Moss 10, and Kathryn Torre 10, goof off after an exciting game against Jerseyville. “The girls were always high spirited and ready for the next battle,” said Coach Manhart.



Q: What are your thoughts on the season?



A: “Our group of girls got along really well together.”  
-Tate Gehrig, 9

A: “As one of the captains I was in charge of what jersey we wore, cheering in our huddle, and getting the team pumped up.”  
-Alexa Moss, 10

A: “Next year I really look forward to winning more games, and playing on a more competitive level.”  
-Maggie Green, 9

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## VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

- Attack v.- an attempt to terminate the play by hitting the ball to the floor on the opponent's side

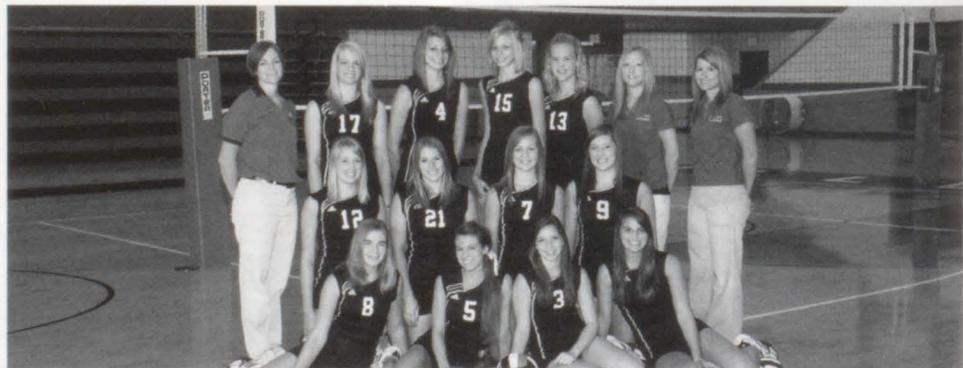


- The team takes a moment to collect their thoughts before the game begins. "Getting pumped before a game helps bring the team together," said Weiss.
- Starter Shannon Weiss, 10, awaits the ball before the serve. Weiss led the team in sets this season.



### Scoreboard

Civic Memorial	W
Triad	L
Civic Memorial	T
Waterloo	L
Jerseyville	W
Waterloo	L
Mascoutah	L
Civic Memorial	W
Triad	L
Triad	L
Jerseyville	W
Waterloo	L
Mascoutah	L
Civic Memorial	L



- Front Row: Aryn Weis, Cheyanne Miranda, Cassey Leitschuh, Shannon Weiss. Second Row: Ansley Watson, Amber Rhode, Ashleigh Holtgrave, Monica Stumpf. Back Row: Coach Tammy Manhart, Kristin Frey, Kathryn Torre, Kristen Torre, Trina Isaak, Coach Allison Degroot, and Christy Lutz

# Attacking the Season

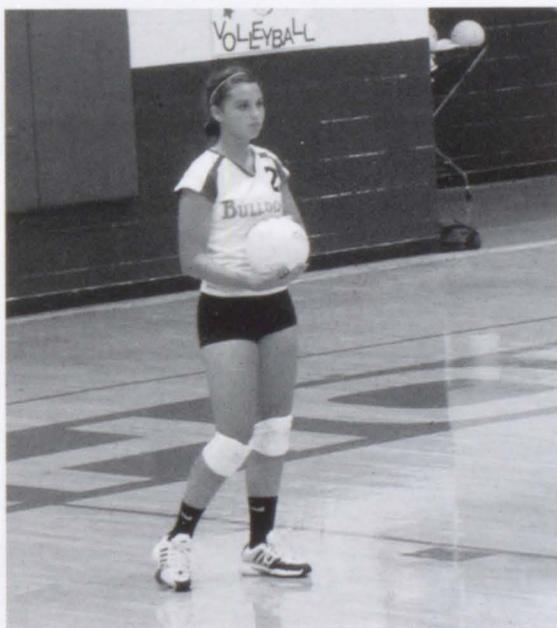
BY HAYLEE KORTE

At the start of the past varsity volleyball season, the girls knew they had high standards to live up to because their number one setter, and their lead middle hitter had graduated, and they had no senior players. However the girls worked to overcome their inexperience in the effort to fill the holes created by the missing players. Former HHS volleyball star, Allison Degroot, joined forces with the volleyball teams as a new coach. She was able to contribute many years of winning experience. "It was like having an additional player on the court when she coached us," said Monica Stumpf, 11. Coach Degroot said, "I walked into a situation where players were somewhat inexperienced. I'm glad I have been given the opportunity to work with my alma mater to turn inexperience into experience. Things look good for our future." The players worked together to build a strong team that made Coach Tammy Manhart proud. "This year's varsity was a young group that struggled with consistency, but played some really good volleyball at times," Coach Manhart said. Monica Stumpf and Kristen Frey, the junior captains, led their team to a 4-6 record in the Mississippi Valley Conference. Throughout the season, players built up their personal credentials which resulted in five volleyball Bulldogs receiving All-MVC honors. Trina Isaak, 11, earned first team honors, while Kristen Frey, 11, and Shannan Weiss, 10, were voted to the second team, and Cassey Leitschuh, 11, and Ashleigh Holtgrave, 10, both received honorable mentions. By the end of the season they had really grown as a team. Coach Manhart said, "We ended the season playing some of our best volleyball, and with this year under our belts we plan to make some noise next season."



□ The girls take the floor before warming up for a home game. "We got along really well and I really liked getting close to all of them," Cassey Leitschuh, 11.

□ Trina Issak, 11, sets at the home game against our rival, the Triad Knights. She was the lead hitter for the season and is excited to come back next season.



Q: What made this year different?  
A: There were a lot of people sick and hurt this year.

-Ashleigh Holtgrave, 10

Q: What was your biggest accomplishment this season?

A: We did good for not having any seniors.

- Trina Isaak, 11

Q: What was the hardest part of practice?

A: Running river runs.

- Ansley Watson, 11

# SPORTS

# ROBERT W. PRINCE JR. HIGH SCHOOL

## JV BOYS SOCCER

- 1 Yellow Card = Warning
- 2 Yellow Card = Red Card
- 1 Red Card = 1 Game Suspension



- During the match defender Joel Mason, 9, uses his body to shield off a striker. Midfielder Josh Rinderer, 10, drops back to help defend.
- Defender Ryan Rapien, 9, gets aggressive to body off a forward. Rapien was a key defender for the team.



## Scoreboard

Civic Memorial	3-2 L
Triad	7-0 L
Mascoutah	5-0 W
Waterloo	3-2 L
Civic Memorial	1-1 T
Triad	1-1 T
Jerseyville	0-0 T
Waterloo	2-0 T



□ Front row: Mitchell Ponce, Ryan Bowman, Ryan Rapien, Joel Mason, Nick Daiber, Jase Kennett. Back Row: Coach Brent Knebel, Nathan Trout, Austin Markus, Logan Meier, Josh Moore, Thomas Foppe, Ben Wick, Coach Scott Cloin.

# Oley! Oley!

BY TRENT KESSMANN

The boys finished with a record of five wins, five losses, and five ties. After the teams first win, they followed with three straight losses. The boys worked in practice to improve themselves. By drilling the basics and scrimmaging the varsity, the team was able to turn around the season. At every practice "dailies" were done to critique the ball and foot skills of the players. Also, shooting drills improved the striking of the team while defensive minded drills stopped opposing teams from scoring. Finally, the team conditioned heavily to overcome fatigue at the end of games. Crippled with many injuries, the team finished out the season with a 500 record. This year's team consisted mainly of freshman and sophomores, showing great potential for years to come not only on the junior varsity level, but varsity level as well. Parents played a huge role in the success of the team this year. In preparation for some games, pasta dinners were provided on Wednesday nights to energize players. At away games, the team enjoyed sandwiches and Gatorade. When asked about his most memorable experience, Coach Scott Cloin said, "I'll never forget the way this team came together toward the end of the season. We all struggled individually to achieve a common goal and by the end we were close to reaching it."



□ Josh Moore, 13, scans the field. As a center midfielder, he had a demanding position to play.

□ Coach Scott Cloin gives his pep talk at half time. The team went on to lose a tough one to Collinsville.



Q: What is one phrase that best describes your season?



A: "I really enjoyed the conditioning, because I like to keep in shape."  
-Nick Daiber, 12

A: "This year we really played well at the end of the season. I am very proud of the team."  
-Nathan Trout, 12

A: "I had a great time this season, especially joking around with coach."  
-Ryan Bowman, 12

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## VARSITY BOYS SOCCER

- Senior Trey Plocher set a state record for the most consecutive shut outs by one goalie.



- During a conference game against rival Triad, seniors Dakota Gilbert and Andy Reutiman, fight for a head ball. The team won, marking their first win over Triad in eight years. Gilbert and Reutiman were selected to the all-sectional team.

- Nick Ammann, 11, dribbles by a Civic Memorial defender and heads for the goal.



### Scoreboard

Civic Memorial	2-1 W
Triad	1-0 W
Jerseyville	1-0 W
Mascoutah	3-0 W
Civic Memorial	2-0 W
Waterloo	3-0 W
Triad	1-0 W
Jerseyville	3-0 W
Waterloo	3-0 W



- Front Row: Jacob Stieb, Josh Rinderer, Trey Plocher, Kevin Kimmle, Clayton Wilke, Austin Happold. Second Row: Troy Nave, Julian Valencia, Nick Ammann, JT McClain, Levi Goestenkors. Back Row: Coach Brent Knebel, Ryan Keller, Trent Kessmann, Dylan Seger, Dakota Gilbert, Andy Reutiman, Garret Meier, Lucas Winkler

# Kicking & Screaming

BY DAKOTA GILBERT

The 2009 boys varsity soccer team became the most successful team in school history. Though the season got off to a rough start with a three and three record, they went on a wild 15 game winning streak. Along the streak, the team allowed zero goals and set a number of school records including the most shut outs and consecutive games won. Other records included fewest goals scored against and most consecutive shut outs. The season was highlighted with three championship titles. The team won the St. Louis CYC Tournament with a win in the finals over Columbia. They also won the Mississippi Valley Conference title with a record of 9-0 against conference foes. The Bulldogs also repeated as Regional Champions with dominating performances over Cahokia and Civic Memorial. However, they fell short against Triad in the sectional semi-finals at O'Fallon Township High School. This game was determined by the regular 80 minutes, followed by four 10 minute over times, and ending in two rounds of penalty kicks. The team captains were seniors Dakota Gilbert, Andy Reutiman, and Trey Plocher. They provided the leadership needed for pulling off a season that will go down in Highland's history books. Other standout players were, Nick Ammann, 11, who led the team in the number of goals scored, Jacob Steib, 11, J.T. McLain, 10, Lucas Winkler, 12, and Troy Nave, 10, who were all stellar on defense. Ryan Keller, 12, Trent Kessmann, 12, and Garrett Meier, 12, were always an offensive threat. "This was my first senior class that I saw all the way from freshmen to seniors and I couldn't have asked for more from them. They set the bar very high for future classes to come with what they have achieved. They were great leaders and had a great work ethic," said Coach Knebel.

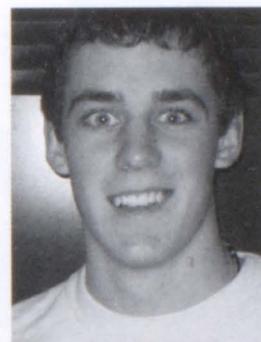


□ During halftime at the Columbia game, Coach Knebel gives strategy tips. The team ended up winning four to zero.

□ Trey Plocher punches out the ball of the box during the Marion game. The soccer dogs lost this game and got fourth in the Belleville East tournament.



Q: What are your thoughts on this season?



A: "It really hurts my left eye-socket to see the season end the way it did."

-Garrett Meier, 12

A: "We had to dodge some curves but we had a great season."

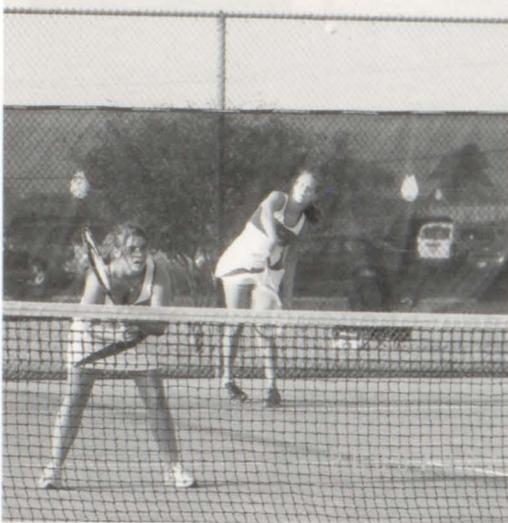
-Trent Kessman, 12

A: "RED GATORADE!!!"

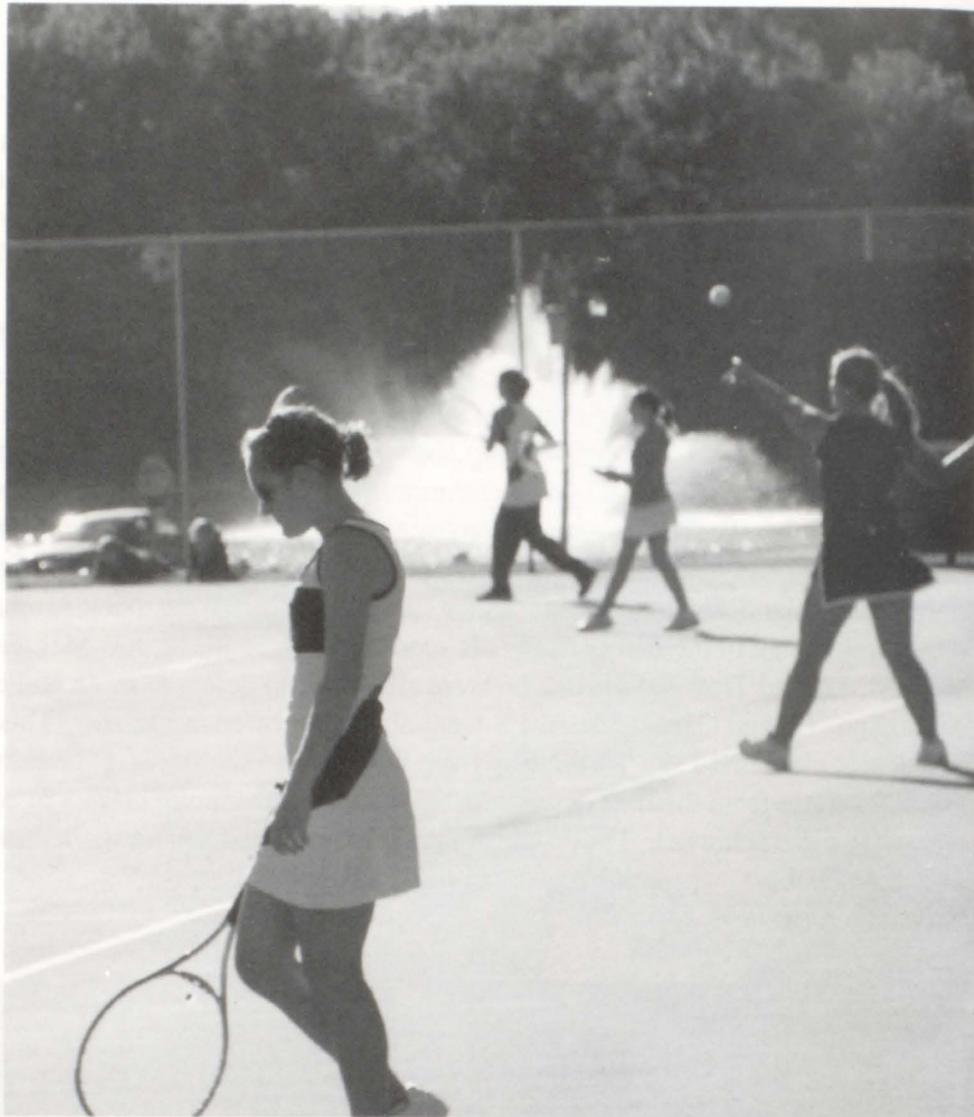
-Trey Plocher, 12

**GIRLS TENNIS**

- ☐ Ace v.- to win a point against one's opponent on the serve



- ☐ Jessica Callahan, 11, serves while her partner Kristen Ehlers, 11, waits to approach the shot. The pair went on to win the match against O' Fallon.
- ☐ Clearing her thoughts, Valerie Strasser, 10, prepares to serve. The other matches going on were sometimes distracting, and focusing was key.



**Scoreboard**

<b>Gibault</b>	<b>8-1</b>
<b>O'Fallon</b>	<b>7-2</b>
<b>Greenville</b>	<b>9-0</b>
<b>Alton Marquette</b>	<b>5-4</b>
<b>Waterloo</b>	<b>6-3</b>
<b>Collinsville</b>	<b>9-0</b>
<b>Triad</b>	<b>3-6</b>
<b>Granite City</b>	<b>6-3</b>
<b>Mt. Vernon</b>	<b>3-6</b>
<b>Mascoutah</b>	<b>6-3</b>



☐ Front Row: L. Beckman, V. Strasser, A. Nicoloff, K. Wiese, M. Morland, K. Bray. Second Row: K. Ehlers, K. Rausch, B. Kastelein, M. Miller, E. Fuhler, J. Olivares, C. Boyer. Back Row: Coach Pellock, M. Barker, J. Callahan, T. Clark, A. Kampwerth, T. Jarvis, L. Miller

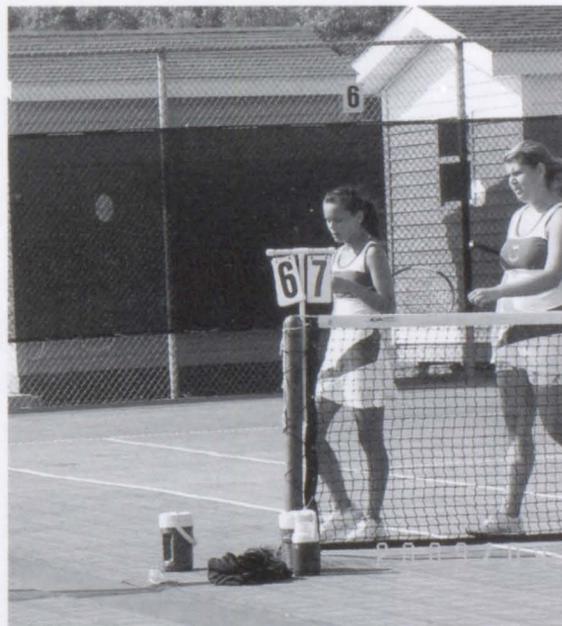
# Hit Me With Your Best Shot

BY ASHLEY NICOLOFF

The tennis girls smashed their way to a great record this year. Because they started their practices a little earlier this season, they were prepared for earlier tournaments. Practices were at the hottest time of the year, in the beginning of August. The team began with campus runs and sprinting drills, then continued with stretches and warm-ups. Warm-ups consisted of hitting drills, volleying, serving, and practice matches. The two hour practices normally ended in some of the team's favorite competitive drills, like Queen of the Court or Around the World. The girls defeated Alton Marquette and O' Fallon, whom they had not beaten in years. With a new coach leading the team, the girls learned to adapt to his coaching techniques. Coach Matt Pellock led the team to a solid 10-2 season, one of the best seasons the girls tennis team has had in years. Being a former Bulldog tennis player himself, he brought skills that he had learned as a high school player. Sophomore Valerie Strasser even went to state for number one singles. Kathy Rausch, 11, said, "My favorite part of the season were the bus rides to away matches." The team liked to play different games, snack, and even pull pranks on their coach. They took a picture of their sleeping coach, framed it, and presented him with it at the end of the year banquet. To end the season, the varsity girls competed in the MVC Tournament, finishing a solid second place, losing by a few points to Triad. Coach Pellock said, "The girls tennis team had one of the best records in recent history; combine that with a battle for the conference title and sending a player to the State Tournament, it made for an excellent season."



□ Mikayla Miller, 10, and Jazmin Olivares, 11, huddle around the snack box and do homework while waiting to play a match. This was common, due to the wait time and the few amount of courts.



□ Seniors Katie Wiese and Trisha Clark switch the scores, winning the match by 8-6. This doubles team was very aggressive and successful, throughout the season.



Q. Do you feel pressure on the court?

A. "Nah, I always know I'm going to win."

-Katie Wiese, 12

Q. What was your favorite part of the season?

A. "Fun practices and yelling at the cross country boys."

-Trisha Clark, 12

Q. What was one of your goals and did you accomplish it?

A. "Making it to state, and yes I did."

-Valerie Strasser, 10

# SPORTS

## FOOTBALL CHEERLEADING

- ❑ **Arabesque *n.*** -One leg is down straight and the other leg is behind at almost a 90 degree angle to the girl's back



- ❑ Erica Maurer and Taylor Tiller, 12, hold up signs after spelling out Highland. Amanda Wick and Desiree Maurer, 9, cheer with the crowd.



- ❑ **Team Coach:** Sherri Eveland

- ❑ **Team Captains:** Seniors Erica Maurer and Taylor Tiller



- ❑ **Front Row:** Amanda Wick, Katie Brinker, Miriah Miranda, Hillary Zitta, Erica Maurer, Taylor Tiller, Micky Wheeler, Caroline Curry, Rachael Molinari. **Back Row:** Madison Frank, Alex Kopp, Allison Miller, Logan Frank, Shannon Ostrander, Alayna Gillespie, Hayley Kult, Desiree Maurer

# Pump, Pump, Pump, it up!

BY ERICA MAURER

2010-11

SPORTS

The football cheerleaders made their year memorable because it was Coach Sherri Eveland's last year. Taylor Tiller, 12, said "Knowing it was Sherri's last year was upsetting, but I was glad she had coached me all four years." Tryouts for football cheerleading were held in April at the middle school along with the tryouts for basketball cheerleading. "Since tryouts this past spring, I've noticed a big improvement in the skills and the attitudes of the girls. Even during our summer camps, I knew I would have a great group of girls for my last year." said Coach Eveland. She coached for a total of 17 years at Highland. Besides cheering at games, a cheer clinic for girls in third to eighth grade was conducted. Cheerleaders taught sidelines, a dance, jumps, and stunts to the young girls. Parents were welcome to come and watch their final performance. Girls who attended the clinic were then invited to cheer at the first quarter of the high school football game against Jerseyville. The cheerleaders had an end of the year get together to celebrate Coach Eveland's service. At the party Coach Eveland and her squad celebrated with junk food and a movie. Cheerleaders received a magnet with the teams picture on it. The girls all awarded Coach Eveland with a Highland Bulldog embroidered jacket.



☐ Cheerleaders gather in their huddle before doing a crowd pumping cheer called "What." Students in the crowd enjoy cheering along and getting into the game.



☐ Bulldog mascot Ricky Diaz, 12, stands with Erica Maurer and Taylor Tiller, 12. The mascot added another level of entertainment to the game.

Q: What sparked your passion to want to try-out for football cheerleading?



A: "I cheered at St. Paul and wanted to continue cheering. I was scared at first, but I had a good time."  
-Amanda Wick, 9

A: "All of my friends are on it and we do it together every year."  
-Allison Miller, 10

A: "I've been on it for two years and it was fun and layed back."  
-Hillary Zitta, 11

**J.V. FOOTBALL**

Penalty	Consequence
Holding	10 yards
Face Mask	15 yards
Clipping	15 yards
False Start	5 yards



❑ The offensive line battles to gain ground against the Belleville West Maroons. They paved a way for their running back to score.

❑ First year quarterback, Trent Donaldson, 11, calls hike initiating a half-back rush.



## Scoreboard

Belleville West	W
Marion	W
Centralia	W
Jerseyville	W
Triad	L
Civic Memorial	W
Waterloo	L
Mascoutah	W



❑ The defensive line gets together to plan their next play. Huddling during the game was a time for strategy and team bonding.

# Trophy Candidates

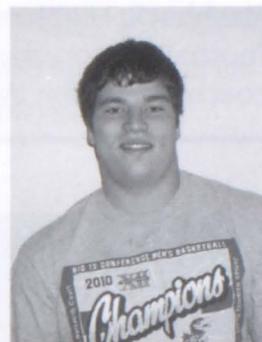
BY HAYLEE KORTE

2009 marked a possible new era of football at Highland High School. Much to the surprise of the coaching staff, two quarterbacks who had never played the position before, excelled. Coach Jim Warnecke said, "Summer camp started with zero quarterbacks. Summer camp ended with two qualified candidates for that position. All of the coaches were pleasantly surprised." Coach Warnecke also noted that the junior varsity had no returning position players from last year. And, the coaching staff didn't know what to expect for the 2009 season. Lead by captain and quarterback, Trent Donaldson, 11, the JV team compiled a 5-2 record with losses to conference rival Triad, and to Marion. Leading the team in both air and ground yardage was sophomore, Jordan Lobb, with 74 and 406 respectively. Junior, Brendan Ohren, lead the team in tackles at 33. Varsity coach, Ron Holt, said, "I had the opportunity to witness on six different occasions the growth and maturity of our JV team. I saw the defense improve. They just kept getting better as the year progressed. On the other side of the ball, the offense played especially well. The running game and the passing game improved as well. Things look great for the future of HHS football." Of the 23 members, at least half of them played games twice a week. They played in both the JV, on Monday nights, and the varsity game, on Friday night. Donaldson said, "I'm glad I had the opportunity to play organized games twice a week. I'm stepping into some very large shoes next year and the more we can play, the better off we'll be as a team." The 2009 JV season closed with a team that impressed coaches, worked and practiced smartly, and prepared themselves for the future.



□ The linemen set up in shotgun formation before a third down conversion. Their hardwork allowed for the Bulldogs to have a successful rushing and passing game this season.

□ Cameron Smith, 11, rehydrates after returning a punt. Smith was a big part of the JV offense this year.



Q: What was your favorite part of practice?

A: When we didnt have it.  
-Brett Gilomen, 11

Q: What was the highlight of your season?

A: When we broke the Centralia kid's leg.  
-Matt Turner, 9

Q: How did everyone play together?

A: Everyone got along great, which made the bus rides a lot of fun.  
-Trent Donaldson, 11

**VARSITY FOOTBALL**

❑ **Flashback:** Highland's first football season was in 1930 coached by John White.



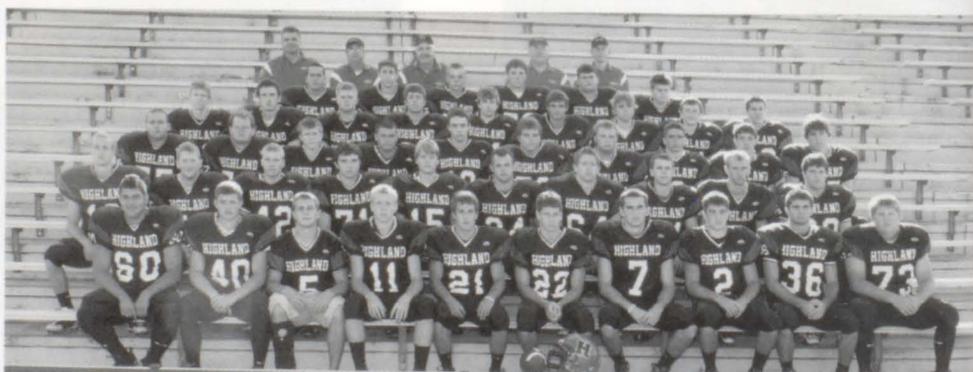
❑ Senior wide receiver, Luke Haberer, points at the refs to assure he is onside.

❑ Running back, Cameron Smith, 11, breaks through the Centralia High School defensive line. The Bulldogs went on to beat the Orphans 56-20.



**Scoreboard**

Belleville West	13-53	L
Marion	14-28	L
Centralia	56-20	W
Jerseyville	36-0	W
Triad	20-42	L
CM	37-46	L
Waterloo	20-21	L
Mascoutah	26-14	W
Charleston	31-32	L



❑ Front Row: J. Broadhurst, J. Huelsman, D. Kurz, K. Keeven, D. Kurz, M. Buehne, J. Range, J. Holtgrave, R. Hoette, J. Minney. Second Row: L. Haberer, R. Bugger, C. Horn, T. Ritz, M. McColough, B. Pearman, M. Murphy, D. Bugger, T. Donaldson, B. Gillomen. Third Row: A. McCubbins, J. Shimer, C. Reilson, B. Sparlin, D. Rosborough, S. Stille, A. Westerman, C. Smith, N. Howard. Fourth Row: B. Ohren, G. Holt, M. Moenster, J. Lobb, M. Keeven, D. Brinker, M. Mueller, M. Rinderer, B. Diesen. BackRow: A. Haberer, M. Smith, R. Litzenburg, J. Bush, M. Becker, N. Gerner.

# Friday Night Lights

BY TAYLOR TILLER

The 2009 varsity football team got off to a rocky start losing against Belleville West High School, and Marion High School. They came back the next two weeks to defeat Centralia and Jerseyville at home. They missed making the playoffs by a combined total of four points. "The team prepared hard, executed their game plan well, but just came up on the short end of the stick on the score board." said Coach Ron Holt. Captains Kevin Keeven, 12, Dan Bugger, 12, Ron Hoette, 12, and junior captain, Michael Buehne, led the varsity football team to a near playoff appearance. Senior captain, Kevin Keeven, said, "We all had high hopes going into the season, we just didn't fulfill our goals on the field." The most exciting point in the season was when we beat conference rival Mascoutah. It was an unexpected win considering they had a wide receiver going to play D1 football at the University of Tennessee. Conquering the Indians put us in a possible playoff position. Coach Holt said, "Two tough overtime losses cost us the playoffs." Waterloo was the most disappointing loss of the two; it was Senior Night and our homecoming game. The final blow came the following Friday when the team lost to Charleston in overtime. That loss guaranteed the team would not make the playoffs.

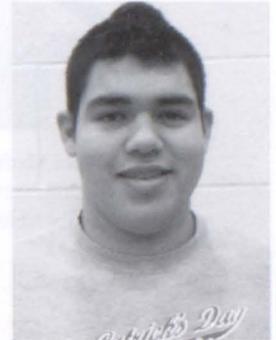


□ The defensive line prepares to pressure the opposing quarterback on the upcoming play.

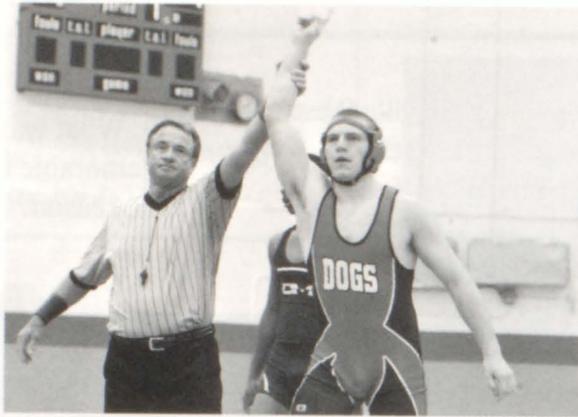


□ Trent Donaldson, 11, waits for quarterback Kevin Keeven, 12, to call for the snap and run his route.

Q: What was your most memorable moment of the season?



- A: Team meals!  
-Jake Broadhurst, 12
- A: Beating Mascoutah because it was the best game of my life.  
-James Range, 12
- A: When we destroyed Centralia.  
-Ron Hoette, 12



- Dylan Madron, 12, raises his finger in victory. Madron served as both a fierce competitor and dedicated leader during his senior season.



- Watching as his free throw attempt approaches the rim, Andy Reutiman, 12, prepares to get his own rebound. Highland went on to beat the Mascoutah Indians 53-40.



- Tyler Becker, 12, stares down his target pin before his bowl. Becker attributed his success to hardwork during practice.

# TIME to Give it Your All

The cold weather sent Highland's athletes indoors. For a lot of students, sports were their escape from the stresses from homework and jobs. Bowling, basketball, wrestling, dance, and cheerleading were HHS'

## WINTER SPORTS

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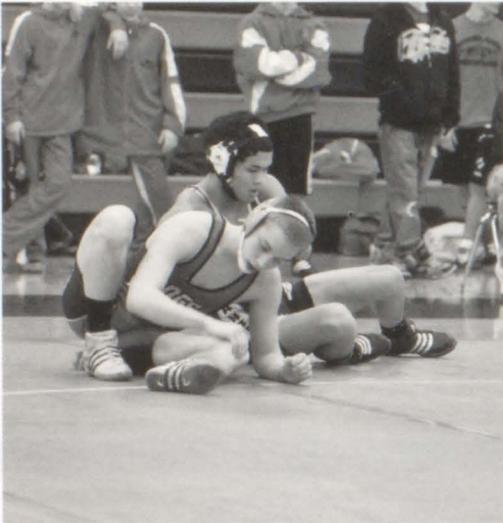


□ The cheerleading squad hoists their spirit fingers and cheer on the basketball team following one of their floor performances. Lindsay Compton, 11, said, "The best part of cheering at the basketball games is getting the crowd involved."

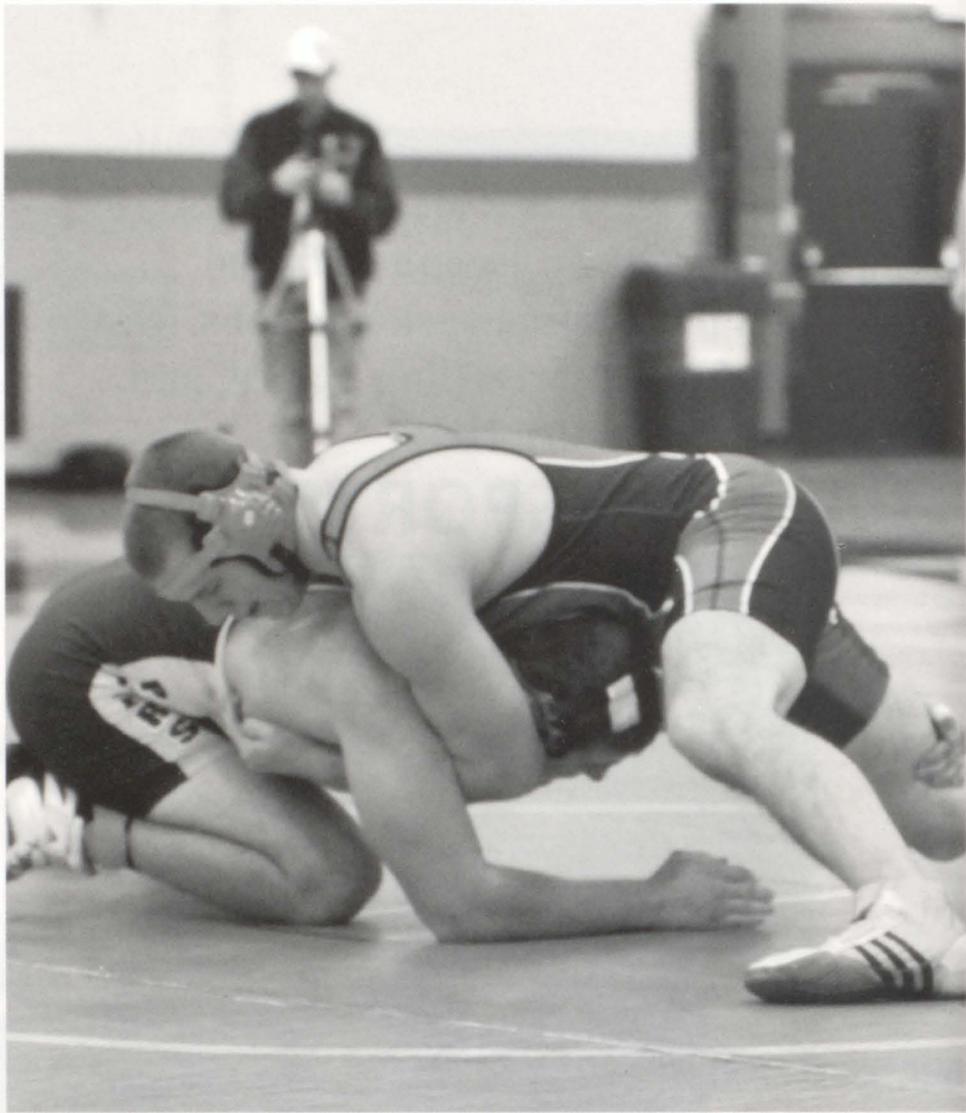
# SPORTS

## WRESTLING

■ Dylan Madron, 12, cradles a wrestler from O'Fallon. Being on varsity all four years, Madron said, "I know how to take down a guy quickly."



■ Thinking quickly, Dylan Anderson, 11, avoids being pinned on the mats after he is released. Wrestling required both mental and physical strength.



### Scoreboard

Belleville West	24-57
Civic Memorial	46-33
Triad	21-46
Jerseyville	48-30
Waterloo	39-21
Mascoutah	33-39
MVC	2nd
Sectionals	6th

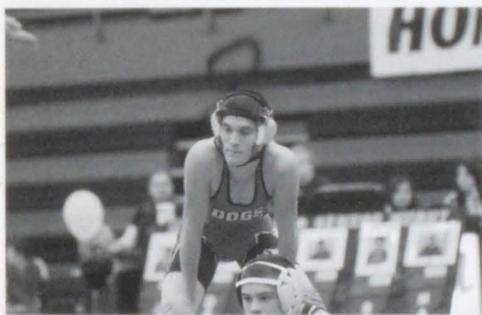


First Row: Logan Vonhatten, Kyle Littlefield, Danny Dicken, Jacob Weis, Devin Smith, Austin Langenhorst. Second Row: Mirah Embry, Alex Westerman, Mich McGill, Ron Hoette, Stephen Rensing, Nick Ruffini, Dylan Anderson, Casey Love. Back Row: Coach Cipicchio, Tony Ritz, Dustin Rosborough, Brendan Ohren, Matt Smith, Michael Murphy, Dylan Madron, Justin Hueslmann, Christian Lee, Coach Knackstedt.

# Pin it to Win it!

BY SAMANTHA BROCKMAN

In his second year as the head wrestling coach, Jeremiah Knackstedt guided his team to a 13-10 record. They tied with three other teams for second place in the MVC. "The team seemed to be somewhat disorganized and nonresponsive to coaching at the beginning of the year, but they all gelled as the season proceeded," said Coach Knackstedt. The wrestling team was again populated by mainly underclassmen. Even though the juniors and seniors continued in the wrestling program over the years, the numbers were few because not many joined the sport at the middle school or as freshmen. Coaches Cipicchio and Knackstedt sometimes referred to the 2009-2010 season as a rebuilding year. "Sometimes having a large group of underclassmen can benefit the team in the future because they will all mature in the same year. Those, then, are the years that our wrestling program enjoys great success," said Coach Cipicchio. Individually, team members may not have went far, but none gave less effort this season. Three wrestlers qualified for the IHSA Sectional Meet at Triad High School. These members were Dylan Madron, 12, at weight 189 and a record of 29-5, Christian Lee, 10, at weight 140 and a record of 24-13, and also Alex Westerman, 11, at weight 135 and a record of 28-13. At sectionals, Madron placed fourth, only one place away from advancing to the state meet. The competition was intense with seven other area schools also wrestling. Although no one continued on to the state meet, the Bulldogs finished the season on successful terms.



□ Alex Westerman, 11, patiently waits before he is given the opportunity to wrestle. Westerman was well known for his passion of the sport.

□ At a home match against Mascoutah, Jacob Weis, 10, uses his grappling skills to win points. Different movements and techniques in wrestling were worth different point values.



Q: What was your favorite part about wrestling?



A: "We got better as a team, but got closer towards the end."  
-Dylan Madron, 12

A: "Learning different techniques from my coaches to use during the matches."  
-Alex Westerman, 11

A: "Beating the take down record for the high school this year; 79 pins."  
-Cameron Singler, 10

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## JV GIRLS BASKETBALL

■ This season's lead scorer was sophomore Sarah Trobaugh.



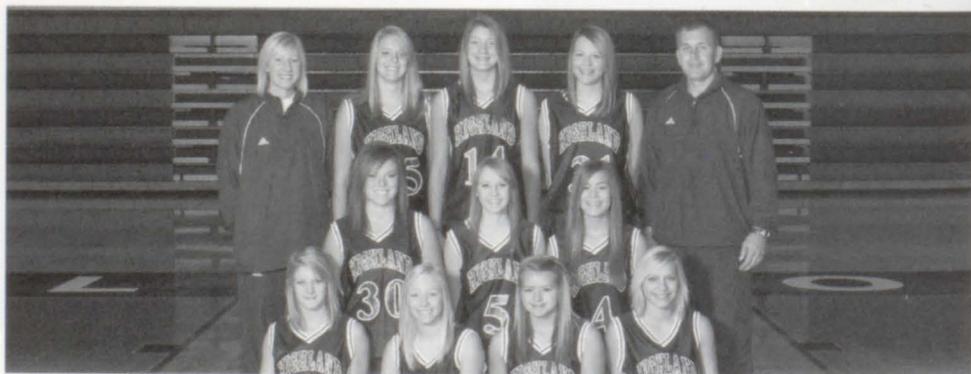
■ A Mascoutah defender attempts to swipe the ball from Codi Gramlich, 10. She played both the jv and varsity teams during the 2010 campaign.

■ Southpaw, Suzi Wessel, 11, looks to the basket as two Mascoutah defenders try to stop her. Suzi finished the season as a leading scorer.



### Scoreboard

Civic Memorial	W
Triad	W
Jerseyville	W
Waterloo	W
Mascoutah	W
Civic Memorial	W
Triad	W
Jerseyville	W
Mascoutah	W



Front Row: Coach Stephanie Harris, Jessica Callahan, Emily Michael, Hailey Ahlgren, Coach Matt Elledge  
 Second Row: Chelsea Turner, Suzi Wessel, Codi Gramlich  
 Back Row: Sarah Trobaugh, Lauren Beckman, Lauren Scoggins, and Kelsey Zobrist

# Nothin' but Net

BY HAYLEE KORTE

A new junior varsity girls' basketball season began not as it left off the previous year. They started off the year with a win instead of a loss. Coach Bruce Deibert retired and was replaced by Wes Degroot, a former boys basketball standout at HHS from 2006-2008. The team quickly adapted to Coach Degroot's style and finished the season with a 10-4 record. "I didn't expect the season to run as smoothly as it did. The girls were great in response to the coaching transition," said Coach Degroot. "In his first year as jv coach, Degroot did a great job in learning our offenses and defenses. The transition was a great one," said head varsity coach, Matt Elledge. The 2010 jv team was a young team this season because there were very few upperclassmen at the varsity level. Trainer, Erin Hopfner, said, "I've been around this high school's athletic program for several years and I feel that the team avoided a possible catastrophe when it changed coaches. However, they overcame the situation and ended up having a very nice year." The five starters normally consisted of, three juniors: Suzi Wessel, Jessica Callahan, and Chelsea Turner, along with two sophomores: Sarah Trobaugh and Codi Gramlich. The year was truly a season of ups and downs. It began with four consecutive wins that included Civic Memorial, Triad, Jerseyville, and Waterloo. Three of those four games were on the road. The next three games against Centralia, Edwardsville, and Springfield, were losses, but the next five games were wins. Victims included Centralia, Mascoutah, Civic Memorial, Mt. Vernon, and arch rival Triad. One loss and one win finished the season. Chelsea Turner, 11, a member of both varsity and jv girls' basketball, said, "Ending the season with a win creates momentum for next year's season. The jv girls should get off to a fabulous start."



□ Sarah Trobaugh, 10, does a cross over dribble and uses Jessica Callahan's screen to penetrate and score. The jv girls held Mascoutah to only 23 points in this game.

□ Chelsea Turner, 11, is "hacked" on the arm as she takes a shot against arch rival Jerseyville. The jv lady bulldogs squeaked out a 55-54 win at home.



Q: What was the most rewarding part of the season?

A: "Getting to know the girls and playing with girls that have more experience."

-Allison Ferguson, 9

Q: What are you looking forward to for next season?

A: "I am really excited about finally being an upperclassman."

-Hailey Ahlgren, 10

Q: What was your least favorite part of practice?

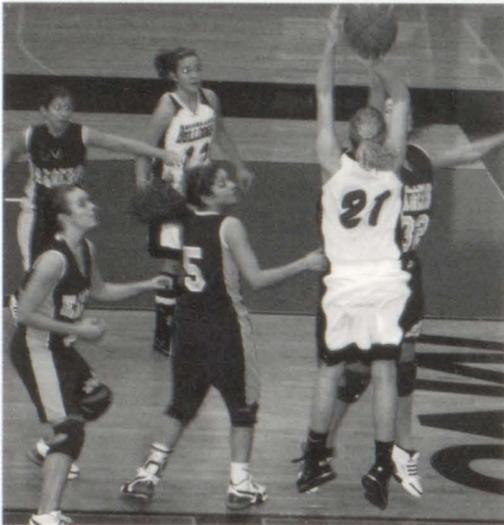
A: "10 second down and backs."

-Jessica Callahan, 11

# SPORTS

## VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL

- Hempen scored her 1000th point on a free throw right before half time during the sectional game against Altoff.



Trina Isaak, 11, out jumps Jerseyville to score for the Lady Bulldogs. Hempen, 11, boxes out, ready for the rebound.

- Storming past and over Mascoutah, Emily Michael, 10, goes in hard for a lay up. Michael played a huge part in the offense this year.



### Scoreboard

Civic Memorial	W
Triad	W
Jerseyville	W
Waterloo	W
Mascoutah	L
Civic Memorial	W
Triad	L
Jerseyville	W
Waterloo	W



Front Row: Codi Gramlich, Sarah Trobaugh, Lauren Beckman, and Kelsey Zobrist. Second Row: Katie Hempen, Mallory Frey, and Suzie Wessel. Back Row: Trina Isaak, Jessica Callahan, Emily Michael, Chelsea Turner, Kayla Martin, and Head Coach Matt Elledge.

# Out of the Dark

BY MALLORY FREY

The varsity lady bulldogs basketball team went into the season with only one returning starter and doubt in the eyes of their fans. Out of the dark, the ladies proved them wrong by coming out strong with a fourth place finish in the Salem Tournament to start the season. The team was also honored to have Katie Hempen, 11, with first team all tournament. The team consisted of one senior: Mallory Frey, six juniors: Hempen, Kayla Martin, Trina Isaak, Jessica Callahan, Chelsea Turner, and Suzie Wessel, and four sophomores: Emily Michael, Sarah Trobaugh, Codi Gramlich, and Hailey Ahlgren with captains Hempen and Frey. Head Coach Matt Elledge said, "Being young and inexperienced, we over achieved". The team also earned fifth place in the Mascoutah Holiday Tournament with another first team all tournament for Hempen. The team kept winning and ended conference play with a record of 7-3 to win a conference title for the fifth year in a row. The team was honored with four all conference members. Michael and Frey received honorable mentions, accompanied by Isaak second team and Hempen first team. Post season began with regionals hosted at Civic Memorial High School and the girls won the title for the fourth year in a row by beating Traid and Jerseyville. However the Lady Bulldogs fell short in the first round of sectional play at Mater Dei High School by losing to Altoff and finishing their season. The season ended with a 19-12 record. Hempen went on to earn great honors as the fourth place finisher in the 3A Country Companies 3-point Showdown at Redbird Arena in Bloomington, Illinois. She also received IBCA All State honors for third team for the 3A and 4A schools.



□ Sophomore Codi Gramlich flies past her defender down the floor on a fast break during a home game. The Bulldogs won this home game against Mascoutah.

□ Captain and point guard Katie Hempen, 11, heads up the floor to run a quick play. The team ran a flex as their offense to get fast shots under the basket.



Q:What is your best memory about the season?

A:"When Suzie quotes Disney movies before games to lighten the mood."

- Katie Hempen, 11

Q:What was the most rewarding part of your season?

A:"Beating Mascoutah to win conference 5 years in a row."

- KaylaMartin, 11

Q:What was your least favorite part about practices?

A:"10 second down and backs."

-Emily Michael, 10

**JV DANCE TEAM**



Front Row: Mikayla Miller, Cori Rehkemper, Michaela Blackburn, Jessica Schrage. Back Row: Brooke Ter- ril, Hannah Runge, Claire Munie, Sierra Price, Amber Korsmeyer.



At the Triad regional, the emotional lyrical routine swept away the judges and earned the highest jv score of the day for the first time this season.

**Scoreboard**

<b>Belleville East</b>	1st- Jazz
	3rd- Hip-Hop
<b>Edwardsville</b>	1st- Hip-Hop Jazz Lyrical
<b>Triad</b>	1st- Hip-Hop Lyrical
	2nd- Jazz
<b>Highland</b>	1st- Hip-Hop Lyrical
	3rd- Jazz
<b>State</b>	1st- Jazz Lyrical



While waiting for the awards ceremony to start at the Parade of Teams, the girls pile together for a picture. At Parade of Teams, dancers come into the gym one at a time dressed in their own lucky garments and dance to songs like "The Cha-Cha Slide."

# Tripping the Light Fantastic

Stars 2009

BY MEGAN KUJAWA

VARSITY DANCE TEAM

The junior varsity dance team continued to bring success to the program by defending their two state titles in both lyrical and jazz. Even as a young team of nine dancers, they set high goals and accomplished them; beating their rival, O'Fallon, was the goal they were most proud of. Coach Romero and the girls felt that one way to achieve their goals was to be a close team. The team bonded over sleepovers, pedicures, and the traditional carb party every night before a competition. Along with these activities throughout the season, the girls practiced every day after school. They even scheduled Saturday practices to be prepared before regionals and state since the team's biggest challenge was their routines. Coach Romero said, "Our routines are so hard compared to the other jv routines, especially jazz, because it's so physically demanding. But, I know that tough routines at this level prepare these girls for future success." Another challenge for the jv team this season was the merging of large and small school categories at state, but captains Hannah Runge, 11, and Siarra Price, 10, helped the team focus and win their two state titles. Price won an award of her own, the Rising Star Award, for outstanding showmanship at Beleville East Regional. The girls' lyrical routine, "Chasing Cars," received the highest jv score of the day at every competition. They also performed a difficult jazz routine to "Knock On Wood," and a hip-hop dance to a mix of current popular songs. Along with state and multiple regionals, the team performed at the home jv boys basketball games throughout the winter season.



At state, the girls perform a ripple sequence in their upbeat jazz routine, "Knock On Wood." "Dancing at state is always emotional for us because it's the last time we're dancing together, and we want to rock it," said sophomore Claire Munie.

Freshmen Cori Rehkemper jumps to a pose on Hannah Runge's back during their hip-hop routine. Replacing this section of the dance, the girls continually changed the pose until they were satisfied with this one.



Q: What was your favorite dance and why?



A: "Jazz was the most fun to do because it was fast, sassy, and full of energy."  
-Brooke Terril, 9

A: "Lyrical was my favorite dance because I could express myself through the motions."  
-Mikayla Miller, 10

A: "I liked jazz best because I always had fun showing a lot of facials and energy."  
-Michalea Blackburn, 9

**VARSITY DANCE TEAM**

- The Showcase of Stars competition involved many solos, duets, and trios which received high awards.



- Whiney Zobrist, 12, Megan Blackburn, 12, Kyleigh Lewis, 12, and Lyndsey Poettker, 11, impress the judges and the crowd during their hip-hop performance at their home competition.
- At Lindenwood, the team performs their pom-dance routine for the first time. The routine "Unstoppable" included a variety of songs including Fergie and Rihanna.



**Scoreboard**

<b>Belleville East</b>	1st- AA Pom Dance AA Dance AA Hip-Hop
<b>Edwardsville</b>	1st- AA Pom Dance AA Dance AA Hip-Hop AA Lyrical
<b>Triad</b>	1st- AA Pom Dance AA Hip-Hop AA Lyrical
<b>Highland</b>	2nd- AA Dance 1st- AA Pom Dance AA Dance AA Hip-Hop AA Lyrical
<b>State</b>	1st- AA Pom Dance AA Dance AA Lyrical



- At the state finals in Champaign, the girls show off their technique and talent as they perform their dance routine for the last time. This dance was a favorite of the team.

# Dancing with the Stars

BY MEGAN BLACKBURN

Following three memorable titles the previous year, the varsity dance team had high standards to uphold. The team included 16 members with five returning seniors. The season started off with a "Push the Limit" dance camp. This workshop, led by famous choreographers, taught stylistic routines ranging from modern to krumping. The camp also hosted a solo, duet, and trio competition where the dancers displayed their talents and perfected techniques. Dancing to "Please Don't Stop the Music," the girls performed a half-time routine at the Grizzlies' game. The year also consisted of hours of practicing and weeks of cleaning the four routines. A lyrical hip-hop routine, new to the girls, was added. This routine was a crowd pleaser because of its creative moves and innovative costumes. Although the team didn't take the "Stay with Me" hip-hop routine to state, they focused hard on their other three. The team's strongest was their lyrical routine; it contained the most emotion. This routine consistently placed first on this routine throughout the year. The flawless routine brought high scores and tears. "I Got the Music in Me" was an upbeat jazz routine that made the team closer and able to push until the end. This routine had some competition, but the girls strived to win back their first place title. This was the first year in many years they took the pom dance routine to state. Through the competitions, the team worked on sharpness and received first in the AA pom dance category. The team beat many rivals in the pom dance category, including Triad. At University of Illinois, the team won three first place state titles. This was the first year in history the team was announced as one of the top three highest scores of the day. "I had a very, very strong team this year. We set out goals and achieved them," said Coach Deets.



□ Waiting for awards, the team shows off their good luck cats given to them by Coach Deets. Everyone on the team knew of their coach's love for cats.

Q: What will you miss most about this year?



A: "The seniors because I became close with all of them."  
-Madison Frank, 9

A: "I will miss our lyrical dance. It was my favorite."  
-Sarah Wagner, 11

A: "I will miss the bonds we formed as a team this year."  
-Kyleigh Lewis, 12

**JV BOYS BASKETBALL**

█ Nick Ammann was the leading scorer, averaging over 15 points a game.



█ Austing Welz, 10, pulls up for a quick jump shot. He drained the shot and the team went on to win the game against Waterloo at home.

█ The point guard, Mitch Carriger, 9, dribbles through two defenders. Carriger had great potential, already playing at the junior varsity level as a freshman.



**Scoreboard**

Civic Memorial	L 46-45
Mascoutah	W 55-53
Triad	L 49-36
Waterloo	W 63-35
Jerseyville	W 55-37
Mascoutah	W 62-61
Waterloo	W 56-43
Jerseyville	W 46-39
Civic Memorial	W 53-29
Triad	L 57-39



█ Front Row: Nick Ammann, Ben Sparlin, Tanner Knebel, Dereck Brinker, Mitch Carriger. Back Row: Ben Melosi, Adam Beck, Geoffrey Hartlieb, Hunter Michael, Austin Welz.

# Take it to the Hoop

BY TRENT KESSMANN

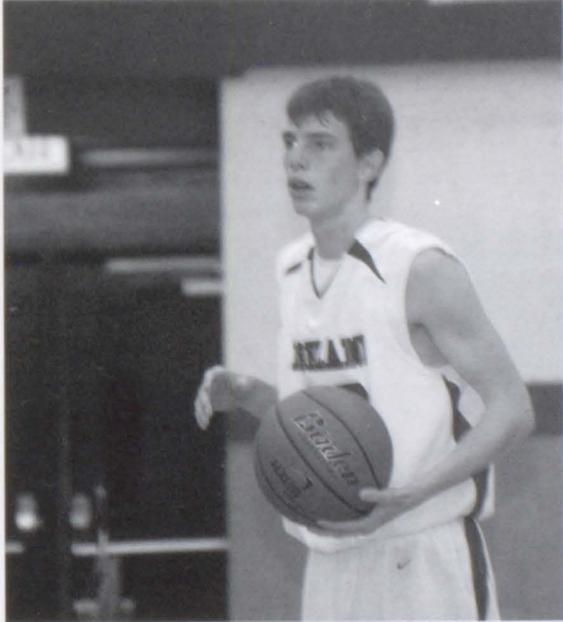
PHOTOGRAPHS BY GUY WITKIN

The jv sidelines featured a new face this year, Coach Terry Brinkman, a long time coach at Wesclin High School. The team finished with an overall record of 12 - 5 and 6 - 4 in conference. The team began with a rough start, losing two of their first three conference games including a heart-breaker against Civic Memorial and at Triad. However, they bounced back and finished very strong, winning six of their last seven games, only losing to Triad. "Coach worked us hard on defense and shooting drills," said Nick Ammann, 11. Coach Brinkman also ran the players to give them the edge at the end of games. The team became more experienced at practice by scrimmaging with the varsity, which greatly improved their defense and tested their offense. "Improving the flex helped us on offense tremendously," said Tanner Knebel, 11. "It really clicked with them team." The purpose of playing at the junior varsity is to gain the experience needed to play at the varsity level. All the players received lots of playing time in order to help them become more comfortable playing in games. With a very successful season, the future looks to have great potential. Many of the jv players already received much playing time at the varsity level. "I am very proud of the teams accomplishments this year," said Coach Brinkman.

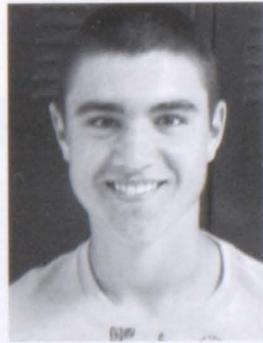
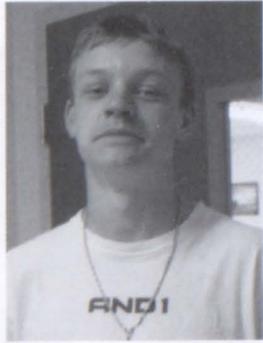


□ Hunter Michael, 11, battles his way to the hoop. Hunter was a very aggressive player. He finished strong to help the team in their victory against Waterloo at home.

□ Adam Beck, 10, looks for an open player at home against rival Triad. The team had many inbound plays to free up players.



Q: What was your favorite game of the season and why?



A: "The second game against Civic Memorial, because the redemption felt great."  
- Hunter Michael, 11

A: "Our game against Mascoutah, because it came down to the last second, in which we won."  
- Nick Ammann, 11

A: "The first game against Waterloo, because I got lots of playing time and scored a lot."  
- Mitch Carriger, 9

# SPORTS

## VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL

- The teams leading scorer was Michael Buehne averaging 11.2 points per game.



- Andy Reutiman, 12, evades defenders on his way to the basket at home against the Waterloo Bulldogs.

- Waterloo players watch as James Range, 12, powers past them to grab the rebound in their Mississippi Valey Conference match-up.



## Scoreboard

Civic Memorial	W 44-22
Mascoutah	W 53-40
Triad	L 42-70
Waterloo	W 75-70
Jerseyville	L 63-72
Mascoutah	L 41-44
Waterloo	L 57-58
Jerseyville	L 60-72
Civic Memorial	W 56-27
Triad	W 45-44



- Front Row: Tanner Knebel, James Range, Andy Reutiman, Dakota Gilbert, Kevin Keeven, Luke Haberer, and Mitch Carriger. Back Row: Adam Beck, Nick Ammann, Ben Sparlin, Geoffrey Hartlieb, Trent Donaldson, Derek Brinker, Michael Buehne and Hunter Michael

# SHOOT FOR TWO

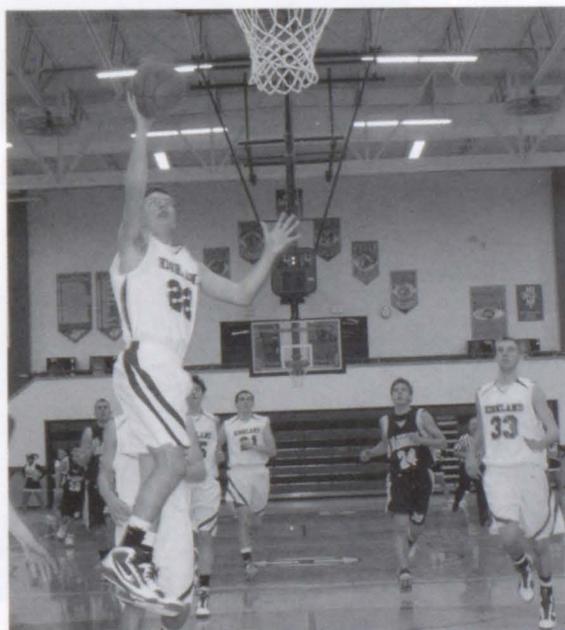
BY DAKOTA GILBERT

The boys varsity basketball team had a successful season. The team started out seven and one going on a seven game winning streak after their opening loss to the Mater Dei Knights in the Waterloo Tournament. The Bulldogs finished the tournament with a record of three and one earning the second place plaque. "The high school basketball season is a marathon not a sprint; the boys went through peaks and valleys but in the end they ended the season as winners in my book." said Coach Strong. After the fast start, the team struggled through the middle of the season playing in a tough Collinsville Christmas Tournament and Chatham Winter Classic. After the struggles, the team started clicking at the end of the year winning three out of their last four. After beating conference champions Triad on senior night, they had to play them four days later loosing in overtime and ending the season. After the final horn, the season ended with a Mississippi Valley Conference record of five and five and an overall season record of 14-14. The team was led by captains Michael Buehne, 11, and Kevin Keeven, 12. Buehne led the team in points, rebounds, steals and assists. He was named MVP by his teammates and First Team All-Conference by the coaches. Other All-Conference players were junior Trent Donaldson, second team, and senior Dakota Gilbert, honorable mention. Other seniors were Andy Reutiman, Luke Haberer, James Range, and Kevin Keeven. Coach Strong said, "Our seniors stepped up this year and created a winning attitude for our future teams to follow, and will be a group that I will never forget because they were my first group that I saw all the way from freshman to seniors."



Coach Todd Strong rallies his team in an intense game during the Regional Competition held at Highland High School.

Dakota Gilbert, 12, finishes a fast break in the first round Regional game against the Civic Memorial Eagles. The Bulldogs won the game and moved on to play Triad in the next round where they lost in overtime.



Q: What was your most memorable moment from the season?



A: "When I went to the Sectional Championship for shooting three pointers."  
-Kevin Keeven, 12

A: "Beating Triad."  
-Luke Haberer, 12

A: "Senior night when we beat Triad."  
-James Range, 12

**JV CHEERLEADING**

- Basket Toss:** A stunt usually using three or more bases, who interlock their hands, that toss the flyer in the air to do a jump or twist before returning back to the base's arms.



- Four of the team members jumping on their hotel room bed the morning of competition. The team members room with one another the night before an out of town competition.
- The girls performing at ICCA Edwardsville Regional, holding their routine's mount. A routine could not be more than three minutes long.



**Scoreboard**

ICCA Highland Regional -  
2nd place

ICCA Edwardsville Regional -  
3rd place

ICCA State - 10th place



- The squad performing their routine's dance to "Good-bye" by Christina Aguilera. Emily Bloomfield said, "This was the move that we probably worked the hardest on, for some reason it took time for us to accomplish."

# Practice Makes Perfect

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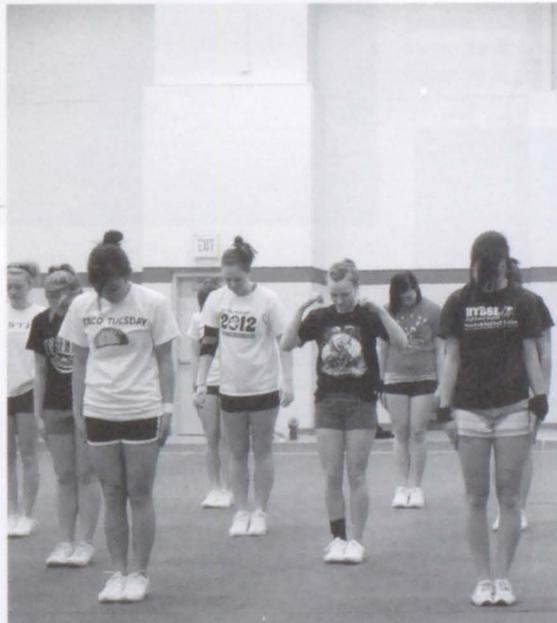
BY MICHAELA WHEELER

After the united squad last year, the junior varsity cheerleaders were back for another great season. Because there were many girls who were new to cheerleading, they had to start from the very beginning. The squad's first goal was to learn their gymnastics and stunts. Practice was a time for the girls to perfect their routines and memorize motion to motion. Since the girls spent over fifteen hours, sometimes more, per week at the middle school practicing, they had begun to think of one another more as sisters rather than teammates. Kelly Growe, 10, said, "My most exciting moment this year was when we performed our routine for varsity and middle school squads for the last time, and we all felt ready." Their unity showed in their strong routine, taking them home with a tenth place plaque in ICCA (Illinois Cheerleading Coaches Association) competition in Springfield, Illinois. "We had new coaches this year who came in later than normal coaches, they were former Highland cheerleaders, which helped a lot," said Logan Frank, 11. The new coaches, Dena Willford and Coach Oliver, said, "The hardest part for us this season was coming up with new cheers for the girls to do at basketball games. Since we were left with no sideline or floor cheers, we decided to teach the girls the cheers that we had done in our high school years." Their most exciting moment this season was meeting their number one goal, qualifying for state. Libby Niggli, 11, said, "I was excited when we qualified for state, since we had lost three girls, but it was even more exciting when we placed in the top half at state!"



□ The JV squad poses after competing at Edwardsville regionals. Haley Kult, Cheyenne Stock, Kristen DePalma, Katie Smithie, Kelly Growe, Mariah Miranda, and Logan Frank all hold Rachel Molanari who broke her ankle earlier in the season.

□ Performing their routine, during practice at the middle school, for the varsity and middle school squads are Mariah Miranda, 10, Libby Niggli, 11, Kelly Growe, 10, Haley Redelburger, 9, Haley Kult, 9, and Katie Medina, 9.



Q: What was your most memorable moment?



A: "Feeling like I was not only a part of a team, but a family."  
-Kelly Growe, 10

A: "The feeling of becoming so close to all of my teammates."  
-Logan Frank, 11

A: "That at every practice we all got to know each other more and had a fun time together!"  
-Libby Niggli, 11

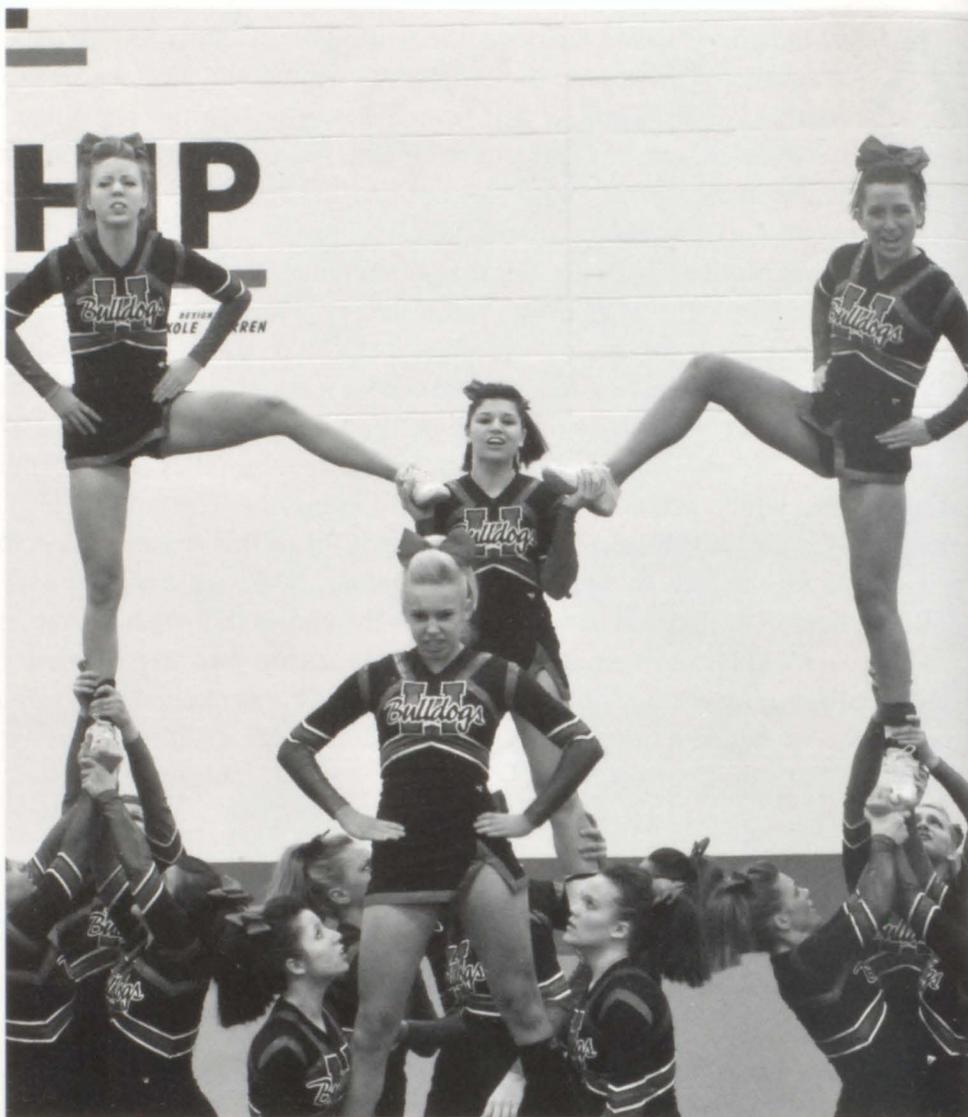
# SPORTS

## VARSITY CHEERLEADING

- The ladies were fortunate this year with only one team member injured. Usually three or four girls are injured throughout the season.



- Juniors Danielle Zobrist and Micky Wheeler prove that cheerleading is not all hard work and sweat while they look pretty cheering on the Bulldogs at a basketball game.
- The varsity cheerleading team shows off their stunting skills at the end of the routine with their difficult mount showing the judges that they are still strong in the end.



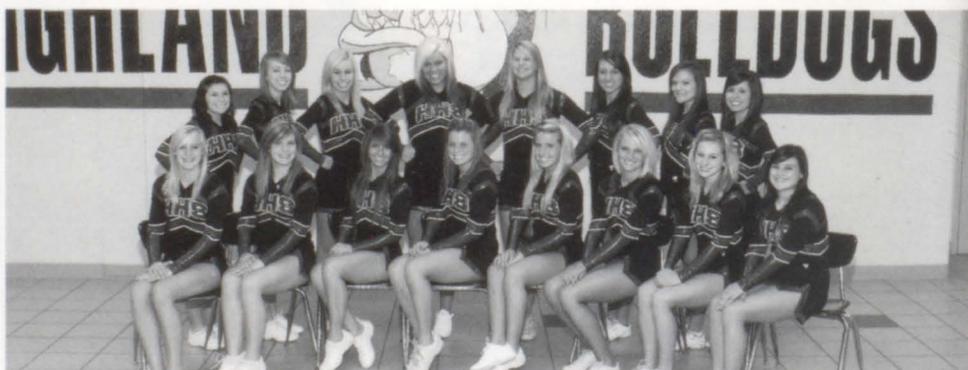
### Scoreboard

Edwardsville      1st  
Regional

IHSA Sectional    1st

IHSA State        5th

ICCA State        11th



- Front Row: Breana Schneck, Danielle Zobrist, Kaylynn Rehberger, Erica Maurer, Taylor Tiller, Hillary Zitta, Micky Wheeler, Emily Miller. Back Row: Catie Lowe, Abby Kosydor, Kelsey Krump, Michelle Harrison, Tiffany Potthast, Lindsey Compton, Shannon Ostrander, Cali Rinderer

# Let's Get Fired Up!

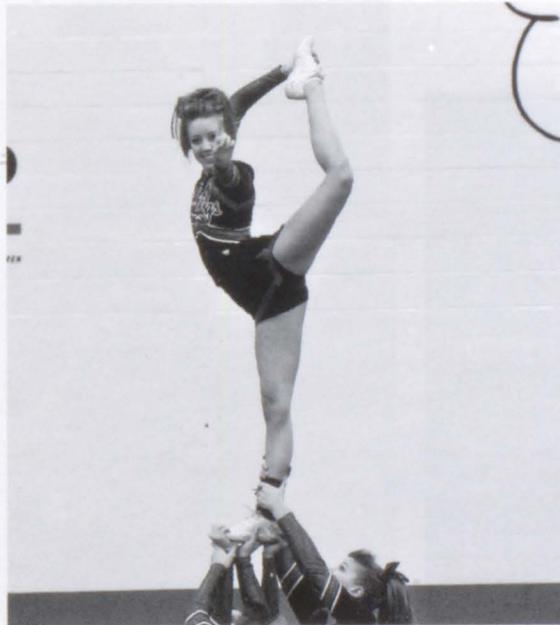
BY TAYLOR TILLER

**W**ith 12 returning members, four rookies to train, and a state title to defend the varsity cheerleading team was ready for the upcoming season's challenge. The team lost eight experienced members from last year's squad and fell short on tryout numbers for the 2009-2010 season. Coaches Angie Fears, and Lauren Aebischer decided to make the move from the large varsity division to the medium varsity division. "We were all a little bit worried going into the season about moving to the medium varsity level and getting two new coaches, but everything worked out perfectly in the end." said Tiffany Potthast, 11. After practicing all summer and fall, the team was ready for the obstacles that were about to occur during the competitive season. In January, the team competed at their first ICCA regional in Edwardsville which resulted in a first place win and qualifying for the state competition. The following weekend marked the beginning of the road to the IHSA state competition. Step one included qualifying to move forward to the preliminary round of state. The night before sectionals one member of the team was hurt during practice and the girls thought it was the end of the road for the IHSA competition. But they stuck it out and the following day they pulled off a first place win even with the injured team member. The girls were feeling confident as the state competitions got closer and closer. "For being a first time coach, I loved working with the girls during the season and preparing for the state competitions. We had a rocky start but around the end of December everything started to click; our team actually performed better when there were added stresses, such as last minute injuries, illnesses, or other issues. Overall, this year was definitely a memorable one." said Coach Fears.



□ Cali Rinderer, 9, Tiffany Potthast, 11, Taylor Tiller, 12, and Emily Miller, 11, accepted the first place plaque after winning the stunt group competition at the ICCA state competition.

□ Pulling a scorpion at the IHSA sectional competition, Abby Kosydor prepared to double down out of the stunt for extra points on the score sheet.



Q: What is the hardest part about cheerleading?

A: "How much time goes into it and doing the routine over and over again."

-Shannon Ostrander, 9

Q: What was the most memorable moment this season?

A: "When Catie hurt her ankle the night before IHSA sectionals and we still won."

-Kaylynn Rehberger, 12

Q: What gets you pumped for competition?

A: "Bleed it Out by Lincoln Park."

-Michelle Harrison, 11

# SPORTS

## BOWLING

- Together, the four bowling teams won 90% of their matches. The ladies broke every school record in the book. Every boy bowler improved his personal score.



- The varsity girls bowling team gathers together with the mascot for a picture. The bulldog wished the girls good luck before the start of the tournament.
- Captain Danika Dale bowls a frame at Poplar Junction. She was a four year bowling member.



### Scoreboard

**Girl's Varsity 17-2**

**Boy's Varsity 12-2**

**Girl's JV 17-1**

**Boy's JV 12-2**



- Front Row: Cassey Leitschuh, Madeline Sirko, Emily Krump, Kara Gruner, Sabrina Davis, Kayla Gruner. Second Row: Lucas Pinsker, Alison Krump, Jessica Chapman, Anna Zobrist, Erin Richey, Danika Dale, Ashley Johnson, Shane Stille. Third Row: Coach Wander-Vrell, Spencer Holzinger, Colin Frank, Tyler Becker, Jordan Mettler, Coach Schrupf. Back Row: Nick Moss, Thomas Korte, Clayton Wilke, Derek Gruner, Jordan Nungesser, and Spencer Mueller.

# Livin' on a Spare

BY ALYSSA FRERKER

The boys and girls varsity and jv teams all contributed to an award winning and record breaking season. Both girl's and boy's jv teams were coached by Pam Shrumph and girl's and boy's varsity teams were led by Coach Laura Wander-Vrell. The seven seniors, including captains Danika Dale and Jordan Mettler, also assisted by taking pictures, keeping track of the records, and helping individuals at practice. In order to prepare for their seasons, the teams practiced at Poplar Junction after school during the week from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. It paid off in the end, because all four teams finished with winning records. In addition, the varsity boys team won their conference meet, and varsity girls placed third. "We were one team away from State. It would have been awesome for my last year of high school blowing to make it to state," said captain Danika Dale. A major highlight of the season was when the varsity girls broke the school's all time record at a home match for over 1,000 pins. Junior Cassey Leitschuh's score allowed her to continue on and compete at the state competition. As a team building activity, some team members, including Coach Wander-Vrell, participated in the Polar Plunge in January at Carlyle Lake. This benefited the Special Olympics. Another bowling event was the annual faculty bowling event, planned by the seniors. Students were paired up with HHS teachers and administrators for a fun bowling match as one of the final events of the season. The last activity of the year was the annual bowling banquet. At this party, all of the teams gathered for the last time at Poplar Junction bowling alley to celebrate their season's success.



Alison Krump, 12, Danika Dale, 12, Coach Wander-Vrell, and Kara Gruner, 10, prepare themselves for the dive into Carlyle Lake. Team members participated in the Polar Plunge, benefiting the Special Olympics.



Thomas Korte, 10, Colin Frank, 10, Shane Stille, 11, and Clayton Wilke, 11, compete in a wheel barrel race. This was part of the bowling team's senior night.

Q: What was your most memorable moment this season?



A: "Making it to state was my favorite moment."

-Cassey Leitschuh, 11

A: "Winning the faculty bowling match."

-Clayton Wilke, 11

A: "Every time when I would go up to bowl, everyone would yell 'Cap'n Dale!'"

-Danika Dale, 12



▣ Alex Truccano, 12, displays his strength and hardwork in practice during his discus throw. Truccano, along with his fellow throwers, also had to opportunity to show off their speed in the throwers' relay races.



▣ One of Highland's ace pitchers, Tiffany Potthast, 11, throws her fastball to Fallon Poettker, 12, who awaits the pitch behind the plate.



▣ Alex Westerman, 11, starts the 4x400m relay. After completing his leg of the race, Westerman handed his baton to Tim Johnson.

# TIME to Shine

Tennis, baseball, soccer, softball, track, and fishing concluded the year's sporting seasons. Through competition, HHS' athletes were able to show their school spirit in their

## SPRING SPORTS

### □ HHS



□ In an attempt to tag out the runner at first, Brendan Dubach, 10, catches the ball thrown by pitcher Corey Gall, 12. The Bulldogs went on to beat Waterloo and place second in conference.

# SPORTS

## GIRLS TRACK

- The 4x100 meter and 4x200 meter teams of Taylor Cipicchio, Aryn Weis, Cheyenne Miranda, and Mallory Frey beat the school records in the sectional meet.



- Mckinsey Shelton, 9, comes in strong from the 3200 meter run. She played a big role on the team this year and joined the 100 point club and was the third highest scorer on the team.
- Clearing the bar, Taylor Cipicchio, 12, pole vaults at Greenville Relays. The team then went on to win the meet to make it their fourth victory of the year in large invitational meets.



## Scoreboard

- 1st Jersey Relays**
- 1st Carlinsville Invitational**
- 1st Mascoutah Invite**
- 2nd Roxana Relays**
- 1st Greenville Relays**
- 4th Madison County**
- 2nd Nashville Invitational**
- 2nd MVC**
- 6th Sectionals**



- Front Row: Alaina Kosydor, Harmony Kapp, Yvette Robinson, Jen Ullman, Kara Gruner, Lauren Beckman, Cheyenne Miranda, and Kelsey Newcomb Second Row: Mckinsey Shelton, Alanna White, Sydney Wellen, Chelsea Turner, Kayla Gruner, Jamie Hundsdorfer, Val Strasser, Emily Rogier, Molly Redman, and Harley Kohlbrecher Back Row: Head Coach Ted Cipicchio, Makenna Stewart, Emily Comish, Taylor Cipicchio, Aryn Weis, Jessica Chapman, Tera Barker, Cassidy Barker, Katelyn Denap, Bridgette Kastelein, Mallory Frey, and Coach Tina Beyer

# Leave it on the Track

BY MALLORY FREY

All races start with a bang and this year the girls track team did too. "The team did very well this year. They won four titles at large invitational meets which hasn't been done since 1992. I consider that the best team I have ever coached," said head coach Ted Cipicchio. They had three quick first place finishers at the Jersey Relays, Carlinville Invitational, and the Mascoutah Invite. They fell just short at the following Roxana Relays with a second place finish. After daily practices after school, their morale was lifted with their fourth, first place finish at the Greenville Relays. They also placed fourth at the Madison County meet out of 12 teams. The team kept strong and received a second place finish at the Nashville Invitational out of 19 teams. Ending the season, the lady bulldogs earned second place at the Mississippi Valley Conference meet and sixth place at sectionals. The team also had the honor to have their 4x100 meter and 4x200 meter teams of Aryn Weis, Taylor Cipicchio, Cheyanne Miranda, and Mallory Frey along with Cipicchio in the pole vault went on to the state track meet held at Eastern Illinois University. The year wrapped up the top five scorers Taylor Cipicchio, 12, with 262.25 points, Aryn Weis, 10, with 227.08 points, McKinsey Shelton, 9, with 152.58 points, Chelsea Turner, 11, with 135.33 points and Mallory Frey, 12 with 123.5 points. Cipicchio also received the school record for pole vault by breaking her own record with a jump of 10 feet 3 inches. Their biggest accomplishment of the year, however, was getting 17 wins, which tied the highest in school history. "Although we didn't have the best record in school history, it is a great accomplishment to earn 17 wins," said Coach Cipicchio. The team's record was 17-3 for duel, tri, and quad meets. The all together record was 85-13.



□ Mallory Frey, 12, completes a 4x200 meter relay handoff with Kayla Gruner, 11. The girls ended up finishing the race with a first and also winning the meet.

□ In the field events, Chelsea Turner, 11, throws the shot put at a quad meet at Mascoutah. Coach Beyer sits in the background giving pointers after each throw.



Q:How was your first year of high school track?

A:I liked that the girls were very accepting when I joined their relays.

-Alaina Kosydor, 9

Q:What was your favorite event and why?

A:The 4x800 meter relay because we had a very stong group of girls this year.

-Molly Redman, 10

Q:What was your greatest accomplishment this season?

A:When you see people put in hard work, it pays off by getting P.R.'s, esp. when it is a team effort.

-Taylor Cipicchio, 12

**BOYS TRACK**

Senior Landon Goldstein runs at O'Fallon for his personal record in the 3200 m. His time was 9.56.



Running his leg of the 4x800 m relay, Tim Johnson, 12, takes long strides while keeping his grip on the baton. Other members of the relay were Dylan Gregg, Landon Goldstein, and Cameron Smith.



**Scoreboard**

Illinois College	12th
Jerseyville Relays	2nd
O'fallon Relays	8th
Belleville West	25th
Granite City Invite	8th
Madison County	7th
Marion Relays	8th
Roxanna Relays	4th
Collinsville Invite	12th
MVC	5th
Sectionals	7th



Front Row: AJ Abert, Tim Johnson, Dylan Gregg, Tanner Niggli, Josh Hinkle, Alex Truccano. Second Row: Alec Haberer, Austin Fisher, Zach Bramstedt, Lucas Pinsker, Landon Goldstein, Blake Swinger, Alex Korte. Back Row: Logan Goldstein, Michael Lutostanski, Craig Bossler, Matt Becker, Jacob Bush, Drew Loyet, Jared Schmitz, Coach Vance.

# Runners on Your Mark!

BY SAMANTHA BROCKMAN

After years of rebuilding, the 2010 boys track and field team became a powerhouse for success. With only four returning seniors, seven juniors, eleven sophomores, and eight incoming freshmen, the team was younger, but also full of talent. The team jumped into the season earlier than usual this year. Before the regular outdoor meet, the team travelled to Illinois College in Jacksonville, Eastern Illinois University, and Danesville, where indoor track meets were held. This was two more indoor meets than previous seasons. This year was also the rebirth of the pole vault program. The exciting field event had been dead for so long that Coach Robert Vance did not remember the last time boys actually vaulted. This year however, three competitors, Zach Bramstedt, 10, Alex Westerman, 11, and Nick Deibert, 9, brought back this field event. Coach Vance was proud of the team and during the season he said, "I want to do well as a team and each of the member improves individually as the season progresses." Overall as a team, the boys placed fifth at conference and seventh at the sectional meet. Landon Goldstein, 12, qualified for state by winning both the mile and two mile events at the sectional meet. Goldstein was able to achieve his personal record in both the 1600 meter and 3200 meter races at the state competition in Charleston. He went on to place 15th in the 3200 meter race finals and 13th in the 1600 meter preliminaries.

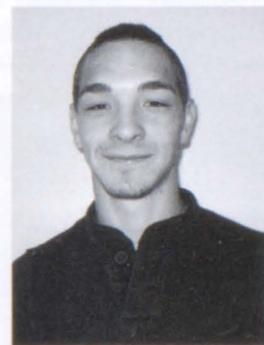


Coach Vance tells runner, Jared Schmitz, 11, his time in the 3200m at the O'Fallon Relays.

Keeping control of the baton in a relay race is crucial. Julian Valencia, 11, receives the baton while running the anchor leg.



Q: What was your biggest improvement this year?



A: This year I improved more individually as a runner, compared to last year when I focused on relays.

-Landon Goldstein, 12

A: Teamwork, because now as an upperclassman I feel I bonded more with everyone.

-Jared Schmitz, 11

A: I reached my seasonal best record for the 1600m; 4:57.

-AJ Abert, 10

**JV GIRLS SOCCER**

MARIA JONES KATHANAS 2

☐ **Tackle v.-** the act of taking the ball away from a player by kicking or stopping it with one's feet.



☐ Not all soccer practice is serious. During Warmups, Bob Nave, showed off his soccer skills of bouncing a ball off his head to a player.

☐ The jv captains Sierrah Oldenkamp, 11, and Sarah Randle, 11, cheer on the varsity girls.



**Scoreboard**

<b>Waterloo</b>	<b>L</b>
<b>Civic Memorial</b>	<b>W</b>
<b>Triad</b>	<b>L</b>
<b>Jerseyville</b>	<b>W</b>
<b>Mascoutah</b>	<b>W</b>
<b>Waterloo</b>	<b>L</b>
<b>Jerseyville</b>	<b>W</b>
<b>Civic Memorial</b>	<b>W</b>
<b>Mascoutah</b>	<b>T</b>
<b>Triad</b>	<b>L</b>



☐ Front Row: Chirsty Hobbs, Katie Hobbs, Katie Wiese, April Lauchner, Emily Barth, Maddison Morland, Leah Duncan. Middlw Row: Molly Rinderer, Tara Stirewalt, Ayumi Montsimoto, Katie Wiegand, Abby Rinderer, Sarah Randall, Jordan Barker, Kristi Kidd, Emily Bramstedt, and Jessica Hoffman. Back Row: Coach Chris Durbin, Allison Ferguson, Alisha Halleman, Shayna Painter, Emily Michael, Mariah Klenkie, Shannon Wiess , Kelsey Crocket, Cierra Oldencamp, Miriah Embry, Elizabeth Foster and Coach Harry Painter.

# All for One and One for All

BY KELSEY LEMARR

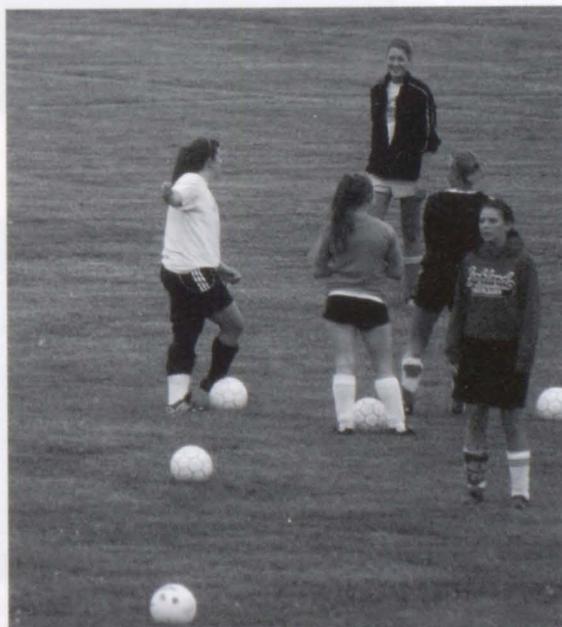
JUNIOR VARSITY GIRLS SOCCER

Excellent soccer was played and the junior varsity girls advanced greatly in their techniques, not only physically but mentally as well. The Lady Bulldogs had a difficult season which paid off by winning their Centralia Tournament. The team was led by the coaches Harry Painter, Bob Nave, and Christopher Durbin who combined their coaching styles to give the junior varsity girls an edge on the skills needed in soccer. With daily practices their techniques improved and also their foot work. These practices helped the ladies grow closer as a team. The girls practiced hard and the coaches used their knowledge of the game to help them improve. "The goals of the jv program are to have to student-athletes understand that intrinsic motivation will sustain a person for life. We play, work, and relax for reasons to benefit ourselves, our closest friends and eventually everyone we come in to contact with," said Coach Durbin. These jv players overcame many obstacles from injuries, to fierce rival teams, and even to keeping their spot on the team. "The most challenging part of soccer is trying to keep your spot because there are so many people playing on the team," said Molly Rinderer, 9. The Lady Bulldogs pulled through their hardships and came out fighting in their games. This year the jv and varsity girls had three goals: To play the game and to not to let yourself, your neighbor on the playing field, or the other eleven girls down. With only eleven girls on the junior varsity and the varsity teams they combined into one big team. With one giant team the girls got the opportunity to play in both types of games. The girls had an excellent year of soccer winning eight games, losing nine games, and tying one. "I am happy about how my freshman year of soccer went and I am definitely looking to my next three years of soccer at Highland," said Abby Rinderer, 9.



□ The jv girls practice their foot work in a triangle workout. This helped them to trust their fellow players and become better at passing to one another.

□ While waiting for practice to begin Molly Rinderer, 9, Christine Hobbs, 11, Emily Michael, 10, Abby Rinderer, 9, and Mariah Embry, 11, prepare for drills. Teamwork was important for winning a game.



Q. How have you improved in Soccer?

A. "It helped me pick up my game and helped to improve my endurance."

-Sarah Randle, 11

Q. How would you describe this years soccer?

A. "It was challenging to overcome the injuries of our teammates, but the JV team really stepped it up this year and improved overall as a unit!"

-Sierrah OldenKamp, 11

Q. What is your favorite part about soccer?

A. "I loved all the bus rides and the inside jokes we shared."

- Molly Rinderer, 9

**VARSITY GIRLS SOCCER**

■ The Varsity girls gather around during half time against North County Christian to listen to what coach Harry Painter has to say about their playing.



■ Going for the ball, Mariah Kleinke, 11, makes the save in the goal against Belleville West. It was one of her many saves during the game.



**Scoreboard**

<b>NCC</b>	<b>W</b>
<b>Belleville</b>	<b>L</b>
<b>Waterloo</b>	<b>L</b>
<b>Triad</b>	<b>L</b>
<b>Harrisburg</b>	<b>W</b>
<b>Carlinville</b>	<b>W</b>
<b>Waterloo</b>	<b>T</b>
<b>Wesclin</b>	<b>W</b>
<b>Regionals</b>	<b>L</b>



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# Go For Gold!

SPORTS

BY EMILY BARTH

The varsity girls soccer team had many ups and downs this season. They started on a high note beating North County Christian 3-1. The girls then went into three tough games against Belleville West, Waterloo, and Triad. "I was very proud of how the girls played against Belleville West. Although we lost 5-1 the girls really stepped it up during the second half," said varsity coach Harry Painter. The team's goal this year was to win over 50% of their games. However, with many injuries this year new adjustments had to be made. Allsion Ferguson, 9, broke her pelvis during the Waterloo game and Emily Barth, 12, tore her ACL during the Carlinville game. "We all really stepped up our game so that we could keep our goal of having a winning season!" said Shayna Painter, 10. The turn of their season was the second game against Waterloo, played on their home field. The girls tied Waterloo 1-1 in overtime. "These are the games that make me proud to be a coach. The girls pushed hard the whole game and it showed," said coach Harry Painter. "The Waterloo game was by far my favorite. It was intense through the whole game and we were determined to win, nobody backed down," said Katie Wiese, 12. Wiese was also team captain with April Lauchner, 12, and Emily Barth, 12. "I think I speak for all the seniors by saying that we couldn't be more happy by how this season went," said April Lauchner, 12. The girls also traveled to Centralia for their tournament. The girls took on Harrisburg, Cahokia, and Wesclin, and came home with a first place victory. "At first I thought the Centralia game was a bit of a joke; we weren't playing that hard of teams, but once we got to the championship against Wesclin it was another story and we had to work hard for our win!" said Kristi Kidd, 11. On May 6th the girls hosted the third annual Highland Tournament. They played Belleville East and won 3-2, and Collinsville 2-1. The girls won the championship game against Rochester 2-1. "The tournament this year was so intense and we played big teams and it felt so good to beat them!" said, Kelsey Crocket, 9. The girls ended their season in the regionals game against Mater Dei after losing 0-1 in penalty kicks. They finished with a record of 16-6-1.



□ Tara Stirewalt, 9, one of the few freshman to play on varsity, beats the opponent to the ball during the Waterloo game. The girls tied Waterloo 1-1 in overtime.

□ April Lauchner, 12, Katie Wiese, 12, and Leah Duncan 11, stand on the sidelines waiting for the whistle to let them back in the game. Coach Harry Painter stands close by to give the girls some extra advice.



Q: What was your most memorable moment?



A: "When Ayumi scored her first varsity goal against Cahokia."

-Shayna Painter, 10

A: "Playing 'Balls of Madness' during practice with the dragon ball!"

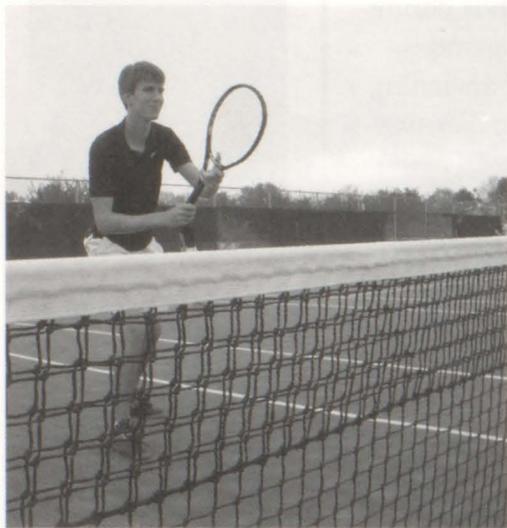
-Kristi Kidd, 11

A: "The bus rides home from games, eating our sunflower seeds."

-Mariah Embry, 11

**BOYS TENNIS**

**Ace n.** -A serve that one's opponent fails to hit.



■ Waiting for a volley at the net, Sam Pellock, 12, anticipates the upcoming shot. Sam played number one singles and number one doubles throughout the season.

■ Colin Duft, 11, tosses up his serve during a drill at practice. Colin said, "The most important thing in executing serves is to develop a routine."



**Scoreboard**

<b>Hillsboro</b>	<b>9-0 W</b>
<b>Roxana</b>	<b>9-0 W</b>
<b>Jerseyville</b>	<b>6-3 W</b>
<b>Civic Memorial</b>	<b>9-0 W</b>
<b>Benton</b>	<b>5-4 W</b>
<b>Mascoutah</b>	<b>9-0 W</b>
<b>Waterloo</b>	<b>9-0 W</b>
<b>Alton Marquette</b>	<b>8-1 W</b>
<b>Greenville</b>	<b>9-0 W</b>
<b>Granite City</b>	<b>9-0 W</b>
<b>Alton</b>	<b>2-7 L</b>
<b>Triad</b>	<b>1-8 L</b>
<b>Effingham St. Anthony's</b>	<b>4-5 L</b>
<b>Collinsville</b>	<b>8-1 W</b>
<b>MVC Tournament</b>	<b>2nd</b>



Front Row: Ben Wick, Evan Duft, Colin Duft, Chris Wiedner, Tyler Stone. Second Row: Alex McCloud, Alex Stoff, Jayce Kennent, Nathan Oliveira. Back Row: Coach Pellock, Matthew Voss, Sam Pellock, Lukas Korte, Austin Holtzclaw.

# Makin' RACQUET

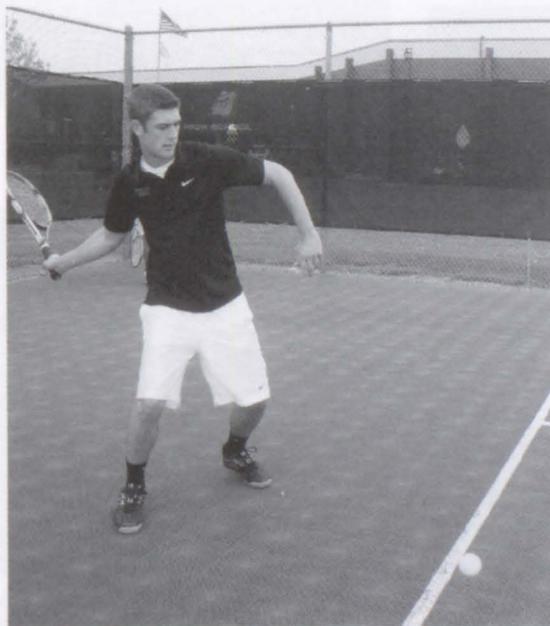
BY LUKAS KORTE

Returning for his second year as the head coach for the tennis team, Matt Pellock had high expectations for this year's squad. "This group has a lot of experience at the varsity level, and we hope that this will bring confidence and discipline onto our side of the court," said Pellock. This year's top six was composed of five returning varsity members and a talented freshman to complete the lineup. Seniors, Sam Pellock and Nathan Oliveira maintained their positions at the one and two singles spot, respectively. The duo also teamed up to compete at number one doubles throughout the season. Freshman, Evan Duft, started his high school tennis career at the number three singles position. Evan was paired with Lukas Korte, 12, in two doubles. Korte competed in the number four singles spot this season. Colin Duft, 11, and Alex McCloud, 12, rounded off the varsity singles lineup at the five and six positions. Colin also played on the the three doubles team with his partner, Ben Voytas, 11. "Our squad is defined by its depth," said coach Pellock. "Although we had several scheduling conflicts and injuries, I felt comfortable placing our top jv players into those lower varsity spots." The team used their depth and experience to start the season with ten consecutive wins. Seven of these ten victories were won by blanking the opposing team. The team also defeated Benton in their fifth match of the season, a feat that had not been accomplished since 2005. The team's win streak came to a stop when the Bulldogs had to face Alton, Triad, and Effingham St. Anthony's, all within seven days of each other. The team finished their illustrious regular season with a win over Collinsville to finish 11-3. After a week long break, the boys competed in the conference tournament. They finished second, trailing only to Triad. The sectional tournament in Centralia marked the end of the tennis season. Both the one and two doubles teams were a match away from qualifying for the state tournament in Arlington Heights.



□ Coach Matt Pellock welcomes the Greenville Comets before introducing the varsity lineup. Players would shake the opposing team's and coach's hands before each match as a sign of good sportsmanship.

□ Lukas Korte, 12, smacks a cross-court forehand while warming up before a match against the Waterloo Bulldogs. Highland went on to sweep Waterloo 9-0. Korte played number four singles and number two doubles with his partner, Evan Duft, 9.



Q: What was your favorite part of this season?

A: Gaining experience from all of my varsity matches.

-Ben Voytas, 11

Q: What aspects of tennis do you like the most?

A: My favorite part of tennis is using different strokes to win matches. For example, I like to throw in a mixture of drop shots and lobs to challenge my opponents.

-Alex McCloud, 12

Q: What made this year's team so successful?

A: I think our success could be attributed to a mixture of hardwork, talent, and determination.

-Evan Duft, 9

**JV SOFTBALL**

PHOTO: LUKAS KOSCIUSZKO

☐ Ashley Walter, 9, pitches to the opposing team. This was a home game that was won.



☐ Katie Wendler, 10, Emily Miller, 9, and Michaela Parker, 9, concentrate on the game as the team played Civic Memorial. The team consisted of many freshmen girls.

**Scoreboard**

<b>Breese Mater Dei</b>	<b>12-4 W</b>
<b>Alton Marquette</b>	<b>11-1 W</b>
<b>East Alton-Wood River</b>	<b>16-3 W</b>
<b>Triad</b>	<b>14-1 W</b>
<b>Jerseyville</b>	<b>4-3 W</b>
<b>Breese Central</b>	<b>11-0 W</b>
<b>Mascoutah</b>	<b>13-8 W</b>



Front row: Katie Wendler, Megan Raby, Alina Miller, and Michaela Parker. Second Row: Tate Gehrig, Katie Sullens, Hayley Vonder Harr, Kate Weis, and Emily Manley. Back row: Codi Gramlich, Ashley Walter, and Kayla Shouse.

# Hit Me With Your Best Shot

BY MEGAN BLACKBURN AND ALYSSA FRERKER

The jv softball team, led by Coach Murphy, included twelve team members. During the year, the team traveled to various towns testing their abilities to their limits. The team was very committed and only lost four games. In preparation for the season, the team attended a camp at the high school. They practiced hitting and fielding techniques. At camp they set their team and individual goals. The most common personal goals were to get on base and hit a triple. The team's main goal was to get a winning record. With help from Coach Murphy and support from the teammates, the team began and mounted a winning record. A skill the team had was working with each other. The sophomores guided the freshman through their first year of high school softball. Their unity showed in their excellent outfield plays. A weakness the team had was communication, but it improved greatly by the end of the season. Everyday, when there wasn't a game, the team practiced two hours to prepare for their rival teams. Memorable moments were beating Triad, Mascoutah, and Belleville West. Civic Memorial and Triad remained their biggest rivals. The team will always remember their memories together. "We became really close especially on the bus rides to each game," said Alena Miller.



□ Ashley Walter, 9, hits a foul ball during one of the home games. The teammates were supportive throughout the season.

□ Katie Wendler, 10, tags out a Triad runner at third base.



Q: What was your most memorable moment this year?



A: "Diving into center field and catching a ball."

-Kate Weis, 10

A: "The double play against Mascoutah."

-Emily Manley, 9

A: "Playing against Triad."

-Codi Gramlich, 10

# SPORTS

## VARSITY SOFTBALL

- The varsity softball team posted a record of 15-2 at the end of the 2009-2010 season.



- In a game against Civic Memorial, Kelsey Zobrist, 11, watches the batters to try and get them out. Kelsey played at second base.

- Winding up the pitch, Taylor Blackwell, 11, strikes out a batter from East-Alton Wood River. The Lady Bulldogs went on to win the game.



### Scoreboard

Greenville	10-2 W
Roxana	2-1W
Mater Dei	8-0 W
Althoff	2-1 W
Rock Falls	9-0 W
Rock Falls	12-1 W
Alton Marquette	2-0 W
Alton	4-3 W
Wood River	6-0 W
Belleville West	3-2 W
Belleville West	11-1 W
Triad	1-4 L
Jerseyville	15-2 W
Gillespie	3-0 W
Gillespie	11-1 W
Waterloo	7-0 W
Mascoutah	9-0 W



Front Row: Briana Knackstedt, 11, Taylor Blackwell, 11, Cassey Leitschuh, 11. Middle Row: Courtney Ernst, 11, Briana Schneck, 11, Kelsey Zobrist, 11, Tiffany Potthast, 11. Back Row: Coach Murphy, Trina Issak, 11, Brittni Diesen, 12, Fallon Poettker, 12, Kirsten Morgan, 11, Coach Schmitz.

# Hey, Batter Batter!

BY COLLEEN CAHALAN

The varsity softball team started off the season with five returning members, only two of whom were seniors. They did not let the youth of the team scare them. The seniors took the new members under their wings. "We all work together really well. We bonded pretty quickly," said senior catcher Fallon Poettker. The girls quickly figured out a routine, going 15-1 early in the season. "My favorite part of the game is when both teams are tied and the game is almost over. I love that excitement," said right fielder Cassey Leitschuh, 11. Even with a week off for spring break, the softball team was out working. They won all five matches they played. They practiced every day for an hour and a half. All that work paid off with shutouts against Mascoutah (9-0) and Waterloo (7-0) as well as Gillispie (3-0). Junior pitcher Tiffany Potthast allowed only four hits and one walk against Waterloo to keep her personal record intact at 8-0. In a game against Gillespie, the Lady Bulldogs scored 11 times, five of which were in the fifth inning. Hits included Kelsey Zobrist with a triple and junior Briana Knackstedt with a double. The girls first loss of the season was to rival Triad. The team expected the loss because Triad had beaten them the last few meetings. In a tied up game against the Belleville West Lady Maroons, junior Kelsey Zobrist scored to win the game for Highland 3-2. Junior pitcher Taylor Blackwell struck out fourteen East Alton-Wood River players, helping the Lady Bulldogs to go 6-0 in the game. Against Alton Marquette, junior Taylor Blackwell pitched an extra three innings to finish up the game 2-0. The girls hit seven runs in the first inning when they beat Rock Falls 9-0. Junior Trina Isaak went 2 for 3 with a pair of runs batted in and a pair of runs scored. Other hits included junior Breana Schneck with a triple and senior Fallon Poettker and junior Kirsten Morgan, both with doubles. Coach Sharon Schmitz said, "It was a victorious season."



Keeping her eye on the ball, catcher Fallon Poettker, 12, catches the ball after the batter strikes out. The softball team beat Belleville West 3-2.

Kirsten Morgan, 11, swings at the ball in a game against Civic Memorial. Seniors Britni Diesen and Fallon Poettker wait on deck to bat.



Q: What were your goals for the season?

A: "To be a good leader this year."

-Britni Diesen, 12

Q: What was the best part of softball?

A: "The vacuum cleaner nicknames."

-Fallon Poettker, 12

Q: Who was your toughest opponent?

A: "Triad."

-Briana Knackstedt, 11

**JV BASEBALL**

- ▣ The leading scorer of the jv team was Colby Reilson with a .412 batting average.



- ▣ Coach Houchins shows pride in his players as he exchanges a fist pump with sophomore Chris Bentlage; the team used excellent defensive skills in the outfield.

- ▣ Mitchell Moenster, 10, waits on deck while teammate Brenden Ponce is at the plate. Mitchell said, "I feel awesome while I'm waiting to bat. I wonder what kind of pitch will be thrown and I'm ready to hit as hard as possible."

**Scoreboard**

<b>Belleville East</b>	<b>4-5 L</b>
<b>Triad</b>	<b>0-4 L</b>
<b>Jerseyville</b>	<b>0-1 L</b>
<b>Waterloo</b>	<b>6-11 L</b>
<b>Mascoutah</b>	<b>10-8 W</b>
<b>Civic Memorial</b>	<b>6-4 W</b>
<b>Triad</b>	<b>6-2 W</b>
<b>Belleville West</b>	<b>4-7 L</b>
<b>Jerseyville</b>	<b>6-2 W</b>
<b>Waterloo</b>	<b>5-2 W</b>
<b>Mascoutah</b>	<b>5-15 L</b>
<b>Centralia</b>	



Front Row: Garrett Schumacher, Jacob Weis, Alex Fisher, Brenden Ponce, Austin Hirsch. Second Row: Brad Potthast, Jordan Frerker, Matthew Haake, Tim Cochran, Chris Bentlage. Back Row: Coach Houchins, Joshua Reckmann, Geoffrey Hartlieb, Chad Potthast, Mitchell Moenster. Not Pictured: Colby Reilson.

# Training Future Bulldogs

BY MADI LANEY AND HILLARY ZITTA

The jv baseball team had a slow start this season because they experienced consecutive losses. Consequently, they set out to improve as the season progressed, and it soon turned around. The team consisted of 14 players, all sophomores, and was coached by Caleb Houchins. They practiced every day besides game days, as well as Saturdays. The practices were two hours long and were centered around game fundamentals. Coach Houchins said, "We like to work on the little things because we believe it adds up to big results." The team played an average of two games per week, and each game consisted of seven innings. Geoffrey Hartlieb, 10, said, "Power Ski is what gets me focused on the game. It's a mixture of Powerade and Ski that we all drink before we play." Their greatest strength as a team was their defense. As the season continued, however, their offense showed significant improvement. The team's most memorable game was their second game against Triad, their biggest rival. Triad beat Highland earlier in the year, and the second time Highland defeated them. It was the game that showcased their improvement. "Even better than being hard working, disciplined, talented baseball players, the team consisted of genuinely good young men. I have really enjoyed coaching this group of players. They show up and play hard every day, and I hope they continue to improve and become varsity players," said Coach Houchins.



□ Aiming for a victory, Jacob Weis, 10, hits a line drive. Weis said, "My best hit was at the Breese Central game where I hit a double, and Chris Bentlage followed by hitting a triple." The team short-gamed Breese, winning 17-5.

□ Playing on Highland's home turf, Brenden Ponce, 10, throws a pitch. His pitching record this season was 3-3 with a 3.5 ERA.



Q: What is the hardest part of practice?

A: Campus runs because they're so long and tiring.

-Chad Potthast, 10

Q: What is your favorite part of the game?

A: Pitching, because I feel like I'm in control.

-Brenden Ponce, 10

Q: What position do you play and what are your likes and dislikes?

A: My position is center field. I like it because it's easy and I'm good at it. One dislike is that if I fail, I look like an idiot and feel like I let the team down.

-Tim Cochran, 10

**VARSITY BASEBALL**

Coach Hawkins Brings in his infield players to talk and switch pitchers. Corey Gall, 12, was switching in for pitcher Ross Bugger, 12, in the 7th inning.



To opposing team, Triad, James Range, 12, gets ready to deliver a pitch. The team beat Triad in a close scoring game, 3-2. Aaron Kuper, 10, hit a two run homerun to give the Bulldogs the lead.



**Scoreboard**

<b>Waterloo</b>	<b>L</b>
<b>Triad</b>	<b>W</b>
<b>Jerseyville</b>	<b>W</b>
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<b>Mascoutah</b>	<b>W</b>
<b>Civic Memorial</b>	<b>L</b>



Front Row: Mitch Carriger, Nick Lampen, Connor Kurle, Mark Keller, Corey Gall, Michael Buehne Second Row: Ross Bugger, Dylan Parker, Brendan Ponce, Brendan Dubach, Derek Brinker, Anthony Ferree Back Row: Coach Sam Weber, Keven Kimmel, Luke Haberer, James Range, Aaron Kuper, Cole Stirewalt, Brendan Bargetzi, and Coach Joel Hawkins

# 3 UP 3 DOWN

SPORTS

BY ERICA MAURER

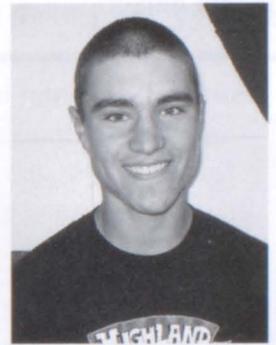
GRIZZLIES STADIUM

The baseball team continued its outstanding tradition with again posting a winning season. Their over-all record was 16 wins and 17 losses. "The strength of our team was its ability to pitch. They were a very closely knit group, they all got along well, and they were easy to work with," said Coach Joel Hawkins. One of the highlights of the 2010 season occurred at Grizzlies Stadium when senior pitcher, James Range shut out Belleville East, 5-0. Not only did Range shut out the Lancers, he threw a no hitter. The team finished third in the Mississippi Valley Conference and the pitching staff accumulated some very impressive statistics. Leading the staff in wins was Corey Gall, 12, with 4 wins. The leading hitter in the 2010 season was Luke Haberer, 12, with a batting average of .396. Mark Keller, 11, led the team in home runs with three. Another highlight, was the team's opportunity to play in Grizzlies Stadium. "It was a once in a lifetime chance to play on a manicured field. I could really see the ball well from home plate when I was batting. It was awesome," said senior, third baseman, Luke Haberer. The team's season came to a close after a tough loss to its rival, Triad. Nick Lampen, 11, was able to hold Triad to just one run after pitching a complete game. However, the single run was all Triad needed to knock off the Bulldogs in the first round of the postseason.



Coming off of the field ready to play offense, Coach Weber gives the team a talk before entering the dugout. Weber served as a pitching and first base coach.

Luke Haberer, 12, is ready to swing the bat as he waits for the pitch. The Bulldogs played Belleville West at Grizzlies Stadium.



Q: As the only freshman on the team, have you felt more or less pressure than you expected?

A: "Less because, I was on varsity basketball."

-Mitch Carriger, 9

Q: What was your greatest memory this season?

A: "When Ben Wick hit Aaron Kuper in the head with a baseball."

-Ross Burger, 12

Q: In what ways does your coach inspire you?

A: "He always wants us to try hard and do our best."

-Brendan Dubach, 10

# SPORTS

## BASS FISHING

- Corey Hemann, 12, caught the second heaviest fish recorded at the state competition. He reeled in a 3.21 pound lunker.



- Philip Barker, 12, and Taylor Wieser, 11, scope out an ideal fishing location. Barker said, "Having the perfect location is a key thing in finding good fish."



- Jared Mettler, 10, Coach Jon Rinderer, A.J. Burns, 9, and Corey Hemann, 12, stand proud as they pose with their well-earned plaque in hand.

## Scoreboard

Sectional  
1st

IHSA State  
25th



- Corey Hemann, Taylor Wieser, A.J. Burns, Evan Welz, Jared Mettler, and Philip Barker.

# GONE FISHING

BY LINDSAY COMPTON

In its second competitive season, the 2010 Highland High School Bass Fishing Team repeated as the sectional champions which qualified them to again compete in the State Bass Fishing Tournament at Carlyle Lake. To qualify for this state tournament, the fishing Bulldogs caught their five fish limit in the first twenty minutes of the sectional competition at Coffeen Lake. With a total weight at 12.46 pounds, the team spent the rest of the day trying to replace the smaller fish with the larger ones. "The way the lake was for the sectional tournament, we were able to run all over the lake to our favorite spots and catch fish. However, there were just a few spots where we could consistently catch nice fish," said head coach, Jon Rinderer. The fishing Bulldogs dialed into their favorite spot during six pre-fishing trips to Coffeen over a span of six weeks. They settled on two coves not more than three hundred yards from the dock. Corey Hemann, 12, caught the second biggest bass of the day, a 3.21 pound lunker. "We caught fish early; we didn't know about the weather. If the weather got nasty, they were going to call the sectional off, so we had to catch them early," said Corey Hemann. Jared Mettler, 10, A.J. Burns, 9, and Corey Hemann, caught nearly 70 fish. Almost all of them were pulled within eyesight of the parking lot. At the state fishing finals at Carlyle Lake, the Bulldogs again enjoyed great success. There were several big stringers caught, however, the wind became a huge factor. On Friday of the tournament, the wind kept the team from being able to run from spot to spot. They were stranded by the wind on Saturday. Boats were ordered out of the water on the east side of the lake. They were instructed to trailer their boats and return to the west side because of five foot high white caps. The team caught the limit of five bass on Friday. They boated four on Saturday. Their two day total weight was 11.51 pounds which qualified them for 25th place. "The most frustrating part of the year was getting caught in the cove during state. I was happy to catch fish, and you can't control the size of each fish. We had fun this year and that's all that matters," said Jared Mettler.



□ Corey Hemann, 12, holds his catch of the day.

□ Jared Metler, 10, and Corey Hemann, 12 watch as the fish caught by the team is weighed at the IHSA fishing tournament.



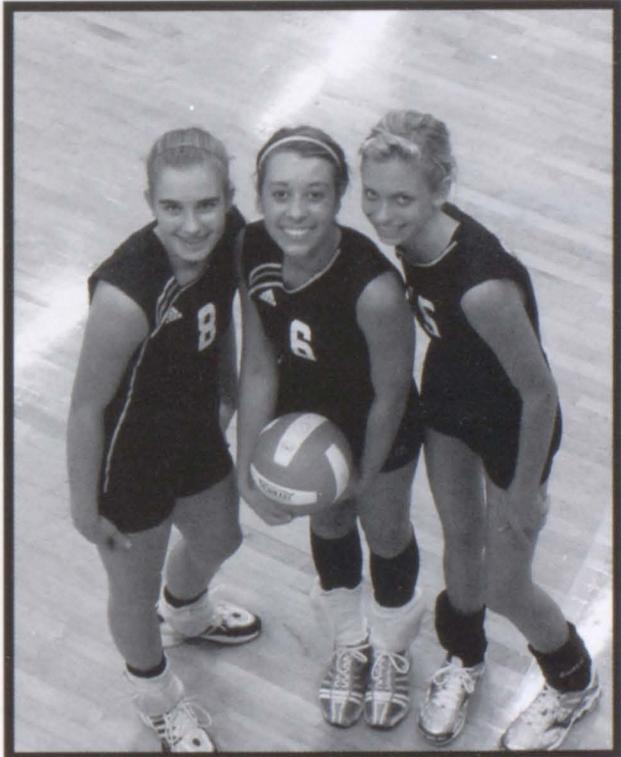
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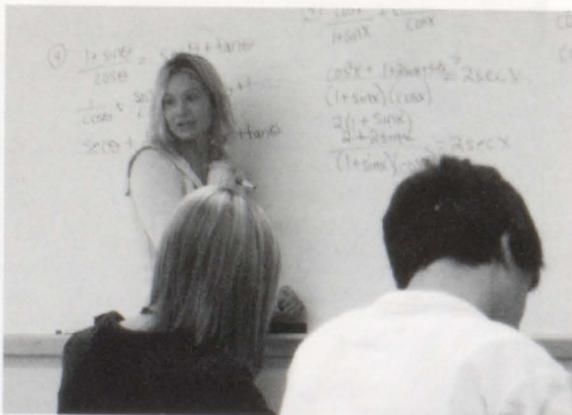




□ Mrs. Duncan demonstrates how to find the area of a space with several differing sides. Duncan taught Algebra II and ACT Prep. in the math department.



□ Using his free time efficiently, Derrick Lambert, 11, works diligently on his math homework. Math assignments were typically given out each class period to ensure that students were learning the concepts.



□ Ms. Walker turns to the class in search of an answer to the problem on the board as juniors, Kirsten Morgan and Colin Duft take notes.

# TIME to Work

High school offered a variety of classes. Students were given the opportunity to start to specialize in the career of their choice. HHS will always have an impact on its students through

## ACADEMICS

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### □ HHS



□ These lab groups are carefully mixing solutions while following the instructions thoroughly. Lab work was assigned to put the concepts being taught in class into a visual lesson. Labs usually required the students to document their procedure and conclusion in a lab report.

# Lights, Camera, Action!

## Business

**C**ourses that ranged from accounting to Computer Concepts to Web Design to TV/Radio Production were all a part of the Business Department's course offerings. "The world of business and practically everything else for that matter, revolved around what we taught in the Business Department," said Mr. Nickerson. TV/Radio Production showed students how to develop concepts, write, shoot, and edit video productions for entry into the high school division of the Emmys. Megan Kujawa, 11, said, "My favorite thing about TV/Radio was that its a great foundation for the career in television that I want to go into." In accounting, taught by Mrs. Wolfe, students learned the value of business as they pursued basic skills in classifying, recording, verifying, and maintaining numerical data. Computer Concepts, taught by Mr. Cipicchio, was an orientation level course designed to develop awareness and understanding of application software and equipment. For Web Design, Mrs. Perkes said, "I see it as a 'hands on, real world,' 'what you see is what you get' kind of business course." The wide array of courses offered by the business department has grown over the last 10 years as a reflection of our current and future technological requirements.

▣ Deep in thought, Dylan White, 11, Grant Davis, 11, and Troy Nave, 10, worked on Alice in Intro. to Multimedia. Introduced this year, many students registered for this class.



BY MICHAELA WHEELER

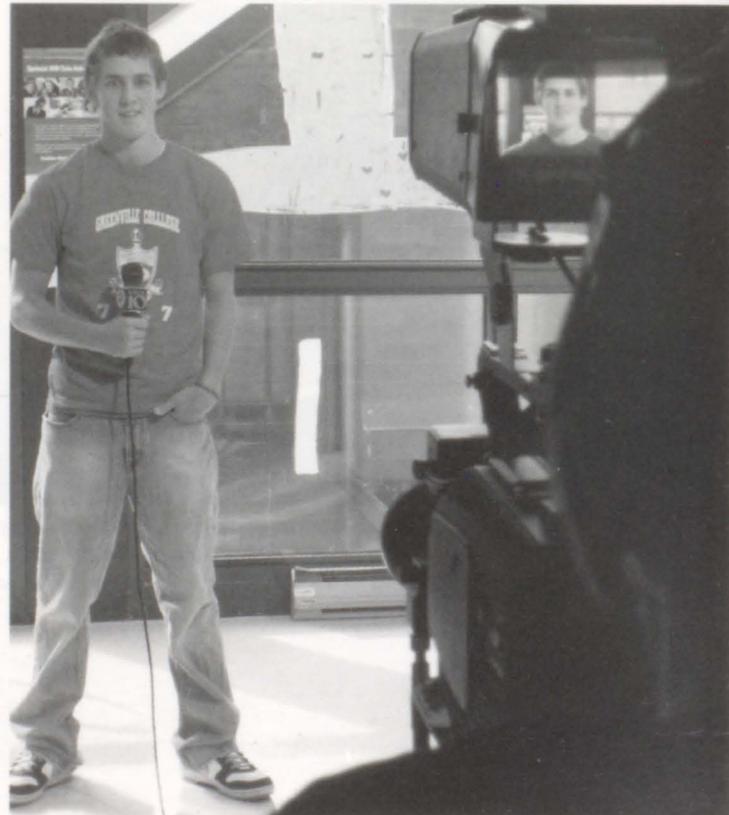


### Course Path

- ▣ TV/ Radio
- ▣ Accounting
- ▣ Web Design
- ▣ Co-Op
- ▣ Marketing

▣ Tyler Klostermann, 11, and Colin Duft, 11, record and listen to their voices on the computer in Intro. to Multimedia. Students found this class to be entertaining and a fun way to learn about technology.

▣ Garrett Meier, 12, reports the WDOG 10 weather report in block two of TV/Radio. "I enjoy talking on camera and I have thought of about going into a television career." says Meier.

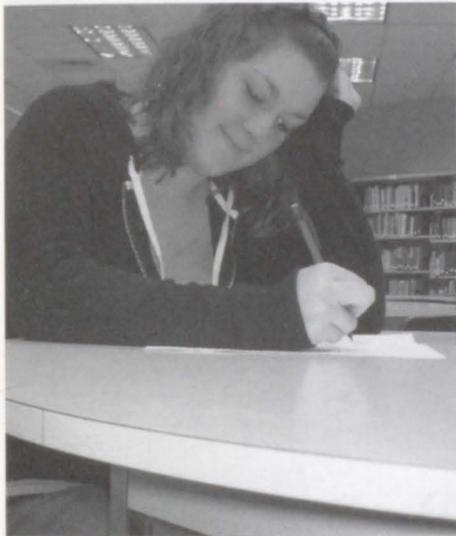


# Reader's Blog

## English



□ Stacey Galow, 12, picks a book to read. Accelerated Reader was a requirement for most English classes.



The English department consisted of not only required classes, but also electives designed to challenge creativity and expression. To graduate, students needed four years of either basic, regular, or honors English. In all classes, students read novels, practiced grammar and wrote essays on many topics. Juniors and seniors had a new elective option, Scholarship Essay Writing. Taught by Mrs. Nelson, this class helped the upperclassmen write college admission and scholarship essays. "I was glad I took that class because I was writing three college application essays at the same time, and having class time to work on them helped," said Danika Dale, 12. Another class that helped prepare students for college was Public Speaking, for which students earned dual credit. "I didn't like standing and talking in front of everyone, but the 'Three Wishes' speech was fun," said Emily Barth, 12. Many literature electives were available for students who enjoyed reading. These electives included: Literature of the Holocaust, Literature in Hollywood, Best Sellers, Shakespeare, Gothic Literature, and Greek Mythology. In all of these electives, students researched the history behind the book they read, read the novel, and followed the unit with a movie or project.

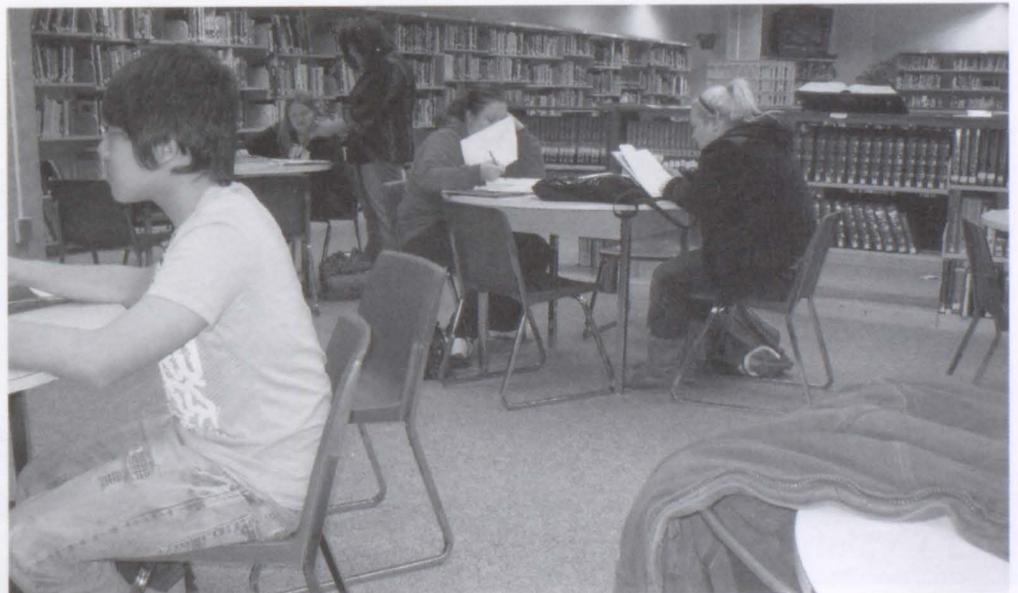
BY ALYSSA FRERKER

□ Lindsey Daily, 12, writes her paper for Mrs. Kloss' English IV. The assignment topic was on Medieval Romances.

□ Quynh Chau, 11, Lacy Boyer, 11, Ms. Dobbs, Tasha Murphy, and Melissa Hug, 11, work on their research papers for English III. It took three weeks to research and write the paper.

### Course Path

- Best Sellers
- Gothic Lit
- Science Fiction
- Lit in Hollywood
- Creative Writing

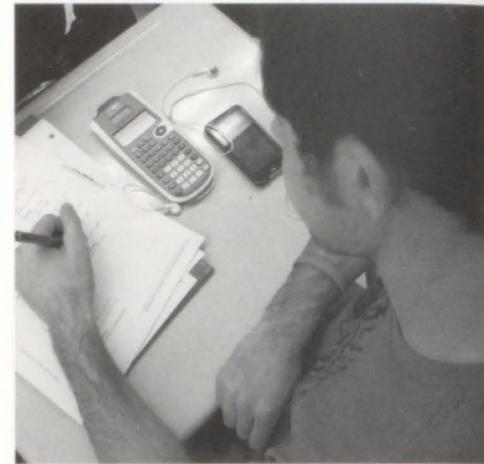


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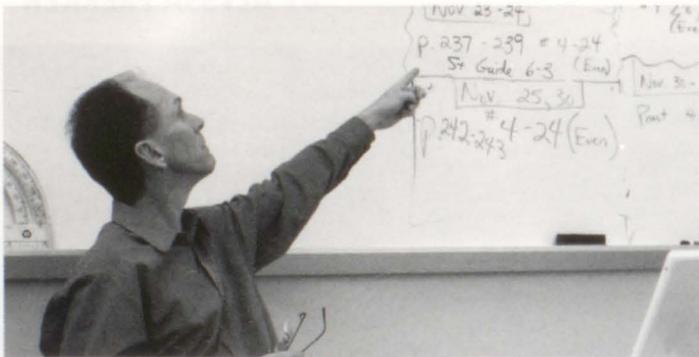
## Math

The math department had yet another remarkable year. They graphed on the coordinate plane in geometry and solved derivatives in AP Calculus. Of the many courses that were needed for graduation, the department had numerous offerings for the students. Most college bound students needed at least four credits and sometimes more. Clayton Wilke, 11, said, "I need of more credits than what was required for graduation, because I am looking into mechanical engineering for my career." Our teachers found unique ways to present new material to their students. Mr. Hawkins, geometry teacher, said, "To carefully explain the concept, allow practice in class, listen to the questions, and attempt to provide thorough answers, is what I found to be the best way to teach the new material to my students." The basis of all math is algebra. "Its like learning to read mathematically," said Mrs. Duncan. She also said, "It's a difficult jump from algebra to Pre-Calc, since the material is all new for students. Pre-Calc will prepare students for college level math."

Michael Lutostanski, 11, computes answers on his Algebra II test. To prepare students for their Algebra tests they reviewed their notes and study guides.



BY MICHAELA WHEELER

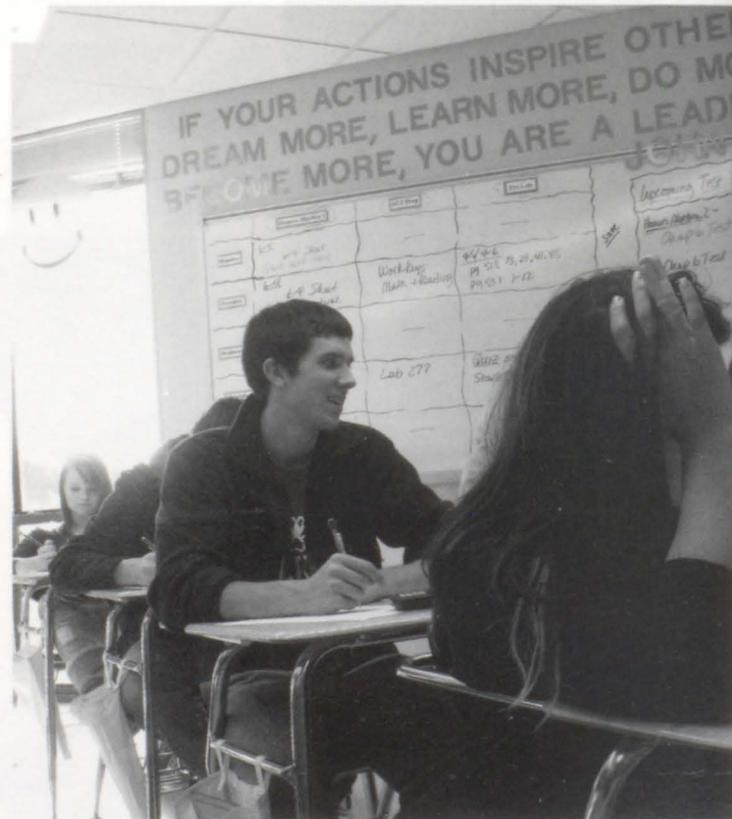


### Course Path

- Algebra I
- Algebra II
- Geometry
- Pre-Calc
- Calculus

Pointing out a specific problem is Mr. Hawkins. Most teachers wrote the class schedule on the board to help students understand what they were learning that day.

Nick Lampen, 11, glances over at his neighbors paper for answers. Comparing answers was allowed in math classes to help students figure out how to work the problems.



# Don't Break the Beaker

## Science



□ During lab, Hannah Runge, 11, and Mikayla Miller, 10, discuss their results. Honors Chemistry required analysis of the lab in addition to completing it.

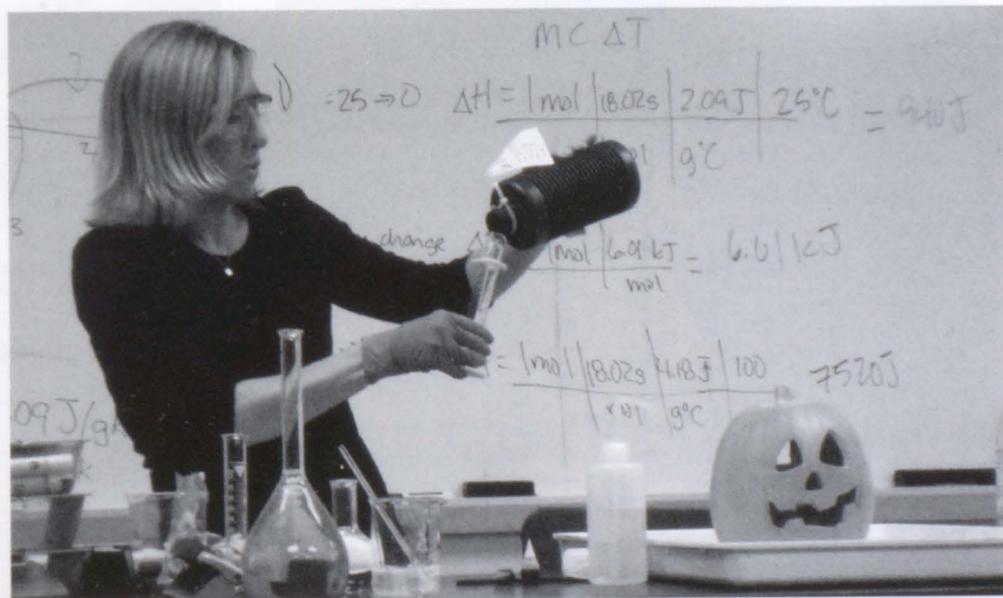


Science classes ranged from biology, where processes of the human system were explained, to chemistry, where elements and chemical reactions were observed. Mikayla Miller, 10, said, "My favorite science class was biology because I liked learning about the human body." The science classes taught a wide variety of concepts, and the many notes and frequent experiments helped the students learn these subjects. To broaden the ideas presented in the units, science included many labs that were fun for the students. From using chemicals to create explosions, to investigating the components of a miniscule cell, the labs varied. Tyler Klostermann, 11, said, "My favorite lab was paper chromatography, where we separated the pigments in a black ink pen. It was easier to follow compared to other labs and I got an A on it." Biology and chemistry were also offered in Advanced Placement, or AP, courses. The discussions were in-depth, and the homework assignments lengthy.

BY MADI LANEY

□ Dakota Gilbert, 12, and Jason Scott, 12 light the bunsen burner before they begin their experiment. Scott said, "My favorite part about labs is playing with fire."

□ In the spirit of Halloween, Mrs. Basden uses a pumpkin to demonstrate a chemical reaction. The experiment involved the oozing of a green foam through the holes of the carved pumpkin.



### Course Path

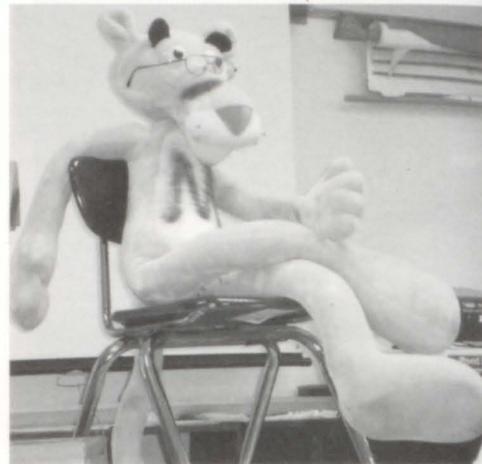
- Int. Science
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Anatomy

# Time Travel

## Social Studies

From ancient Greece to the Civil War, the social studies department offered a variety of classes. Though graduation only required World History for freshmen and United States History for juniors, many students chose to take electives such as government or geography. "The best classes I have taken were with Ms. Kay," said Andrea Hosto, 12. Other students explored the lives of famous heroines. "I liked putting Joan of Arc on trial in Women's Biography," said Sabrina Davis, 11. The social studies department was not all serious work. "I liked taking economics because we got to yodel for extra credit," said Robert Volker, 12. "In one class, Mr. Holt was mysteriously locked out because a chair got stuck in the door. That was pretty memorable," said Ryan Keltner, 12. A select group of juniors and seniors helped Ms. Kay at Civil War Camp, a day of reliving history for fifth graders. Students learned to play Civil War style baseball, practiced marching like soldiers, and dressed up in 1860s clothing.

□ Acting as a mascot for the social studies department, Leroy sits and watches over a class as they work on homework.



BY COLLEEN CAHALAN

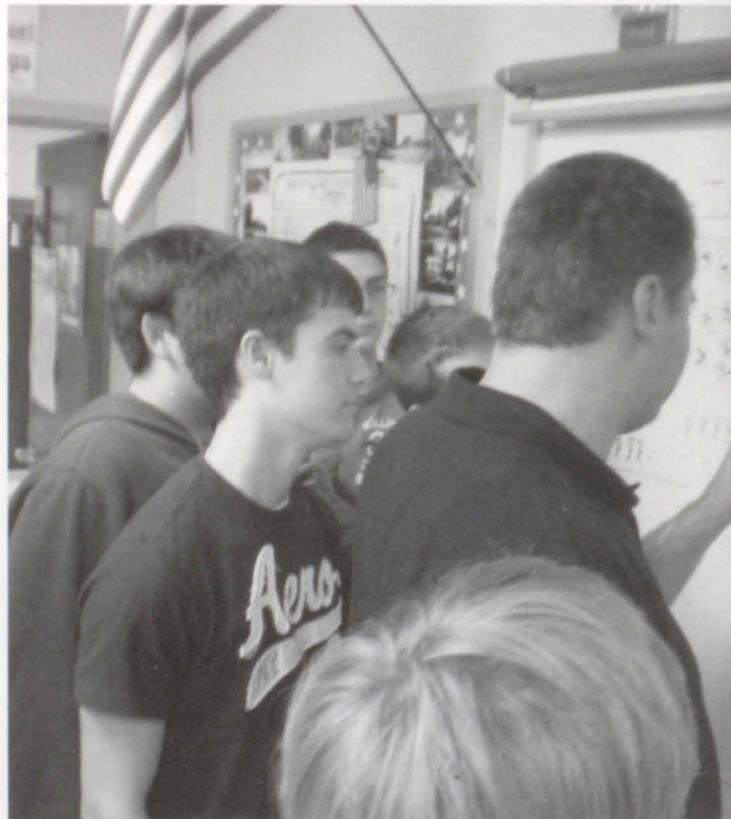


### Course Path

- AP US
- Geography
- World History
- Sociology
- Economics

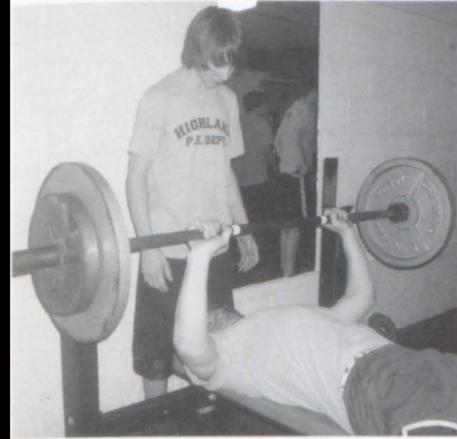
□ Juniors in Mr. Weber's US History class work on study guides for their Constitution test. Juniors have to pass a US and Illinois Constitution test to graduate.

□ Mr. Holt dispels the obvious confusion of his AP Economics students in a class activity. The students learned the law of diminishing marginal returns.



# Get Moving

## P.E.



- Although conditioning was taken out of the curriculum, lifting weights was still essential in P.E. Joey Nelson, 12, participates in a daily lift with his fellow classmate.



The physical education (P.E.) department reorganized the entire department which combined P.E. and aerobics. The large student group was divided into three smaller groups. While one group lifted weights, the other two groups played a game. The games were rotated about every three weeks. In past years, P.E. was divided into three individual classes; conditioning, regular, and aqua aerobics. Conditioning P.E. students lifted weights every day and ran laps. Aqua aerobics did aerobic activities in water, at our local Korte Recreational Center, and out of water in the gym. Regular P.E. played different sports throughout the year. Mr. Houchins, one of the P.E. teachers, had a positive outlook on the change. He said, "Having all the kids together is more fun, and it's exciting to watch them all participate together!" P.E. was a fun time, and the majority of students and teachers liked the new style of P.E. "P.E. gets you moving, and there is no homework, it was great," said Ashley Wellen, 11.

BY ASHLEY SCHRAGE

- Alaina Kosydor, 9, and Kim Anders, 12, pump it up during an intense exercise in aerobics. Kick boxing during this class was a common form of cardio used to get the students moving.

- A few of the students participate in a mummy activity before Halloween. This was a new and creative idea to have fun with the students and incorporate the holiday.



### 5 D's of Dodgeball

- Dodge
- Dip
- Dive
- Duck
- Dodge

# "Yo Hablo Español"

## Spanish

Spanish class consisted of homework and quizzes, but also involved fun activities for the students. Some students made Spanish cuisine, some created paper dolls for a fashion show, and others decorated skeletons for the Day of the Dead. Suzi Wessel, 11, said "I designed a hippy skeleton because the fabric was funky and unique." The students also played common games in Spanish, such as Clue and Scrabble. Spanish even offered activities outside of the classroom. Spanish IV took a trip to Chicago to celebrate the Day of the Dead. Jannah Stone, 12, said, "My most memorable moment of the trip was when Mrs. Deets opened the door to James Range standing in the hallway wearing nothing but a Speedo! Her face was priceless!" Each Spanish class taught grammar, vocabulary, and culture. Spanish III and IV focused on speaking the language fluently and involved many oral presentations. Mrs. Deets, the Advanced Spanish III and IV teacher said, "Using prior and additional knowledge to speak the language, rather than simply writing it, was the most difficult transition into Advanced Spanish classes."

□ Shaina Rittenhouse, 11, gives an oral presentation in Advanced Spanish III. Rittenhouse displayed and explained her map of the school and the relative locations of the classrooms in Spanish.



BY MADI LANEY

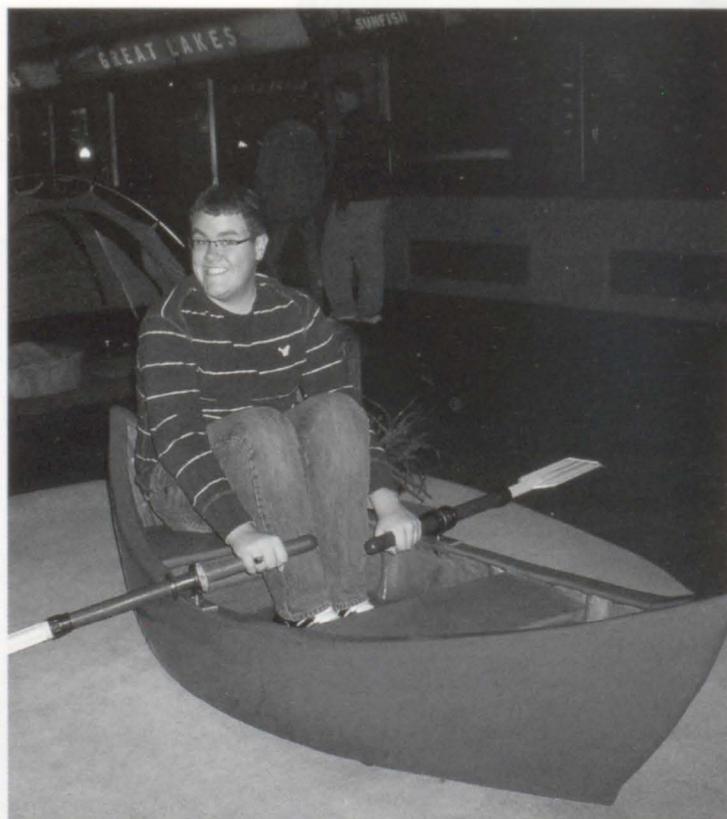


### Course Path

- Spanish I
- Spanish II
- Spanish III
- Spanish IV
- Spanish Club

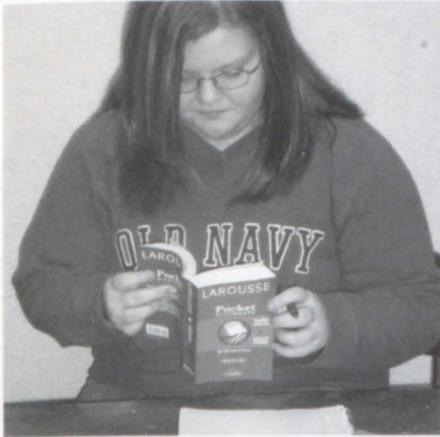
□ In Mrs. Wagenblast's classroom, Joel Switzer, 9, Devin Ammann, 9, John Cygan, 9, and Aron Schneider, 9, play Go Fish in Spanish. This enhanced Spanish learning and was also fun for the students.

□ Austin Potthoff, 12, enjoys a canoe ride while at the Shed's Aquarium in Chicago, IL. Potthoff said, "The Chicago trip was one of the highlights of my senior year!"



# "Parlez Vous Francais"

## French



- While writing and translating sentences, Jessica Chapman, 10, uses a French dictionary for help. These exercises were helpful in the understanding of the French language.



Taking a foreign language was an option for students of all grades. It was a chance to enhance insight into other cultures and histories. Students learned everything from common vocabulary to the story behind the beheading of Marie Antoinette. Erica Leady, 11, said, "I chose to take French because I wanted to learn a language not many people get to learn." Through three years of packed education, the French students learned things from French food to the film industry. Drew Loyet, 11, said, "The most memorable moment of French was watching the scary movies." They were scary because some of the images were brutal and extremely graphic. French students did not just watch movies, They spent the majority of their time working on their pronunciation. To practice, students acted out skits and gave speeches to show they knew the proper use of French words. Jazmin Olivares, 11, said, "My favorite activity is learning the word of the day." Though French was hard, it was a wonderful learning experience for all who took the course.

BY KELSEY LEMARR

- During French Class, Audrie Craft, 12, is saying a poem to the class. The poem is about a crow and fox, and is a required speech for all French II students.

- The French students admire the bulletin board. Students are only aloud to the board if they ask permission. In this particular picture they are admiring a cheese collage.

### Course Path

- French I
- French II
- French III
- French IV
- French Club



# Green Tractors & Green Fields

## Ag. Dept.

The agricultural department was not restricted to farming. In fact, this department had a little bit of everything. Students took classes in construction, welding, electricity, floral design, and landscaping. Throughout the year, they also gained hands-on experience with repairing equipment, pouring concrete, and judging livestock. They repaired the Santa House for the city's Christmas display. Students also built three geese sculptures as a memorial for three students from Murray, Kentucky who drowned while hunting there. These geese were displayed at a lake in Murray, Kentucky. Students learned from their experiences in these classes. In fact, Mr. Jones said, "Many of these students will hold future careers in the local agricultural community." Zach Thiems, 12, said, "In Agricultural Business I learned how to become a millionaire from Ms. Hansen, the greatest student teacher." In Floral Design, Chelsea Turner, 11, a Floral Design student said, "I like how we get to put our own creativity into the designs."

□ The agriculture department students had a lot of fun. Goofing around in welding class, Karl Horn, 12, pretends he is from the movie "Signs".



BY SAMANTHA BROCKMAN



### Course Path

- Floral Design
- Construction
- Welding
- Ag. Business
- Landscaping

□ Devin Ammann, 9, Daniel Ammann, 10, and Josh Rinderer, 10, show their pigs at a livestock judging competition.

□ Seniors Ryan Winter, Tanner Paoletti, and Gabe Zucarrelli, prepare an area in front of the school before building a new patio.

# Put the Hammer

# Down

# Construction



Blake Sexton, 12, and Gabe Zuccarelli, 12, work together on the construction site.

Construction Trades class worked to build the fourth house supported by the BEA (Business Education Alliance). This was the fourth year for the class and the fourth house they built. Having successfully sold three houses already, the students used their hands-on work ethic to build house number four. All the houses were located on North Harvest Court. "Our groups worked great together in getting the jobs done on time and staying ahead of schedule," said Devin Randall, 12. Mr. Bruce Deibert, the construction teacher, said, "The enthusiasm and dedication of all the students have made this class successful." Construction Trades class is open for any junior or senior with construction in mind for the future. This class developed skills that students used for jobs in construction or to fix things around the house. The Floral Design class contributed in finishing touches for the house's interior design. Dedication is the key to this class.

BY LINDSAY COMPTON



Jessica Halleemann puts the hammer down as she builds one of the walls during the building of the house.

The group strikes a pose at the construction site.



# What Happens at Band Camp...

## Band

The Marching Bulldogs were put to the test this season. The group started out by attending band camp at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, IL for the first time. Camp helped with focus and gave a jump-start for the overall season. Members of the band started the morning with sectionals, then continued with practices for their field show, indoor music rehearsal, and ended with free time. Being with their fellow band members 24/7 and doing fun team building activities really helped the band come together. The camp also helped them prepare their field show, which was composed of songs from the New World Symphony. The drum majors acted as leaders of the band and ran the field show. Drum major Theresa Reinhardt, 11, said, "The band this year was more focused, which led to better scores. But more importantly, it led to a greater sense of accomplishment." The band, benefiting from their hard work, brought home strong scores. Other sections, such as the flag corps, greatly improved throughout the season. Following the marching band season, the band split into two different bands: symphonic and concert. The bands played a variety of genres of music and competed in the spring.

BY ASHLEY NICOLOFF

□ All eyes are on John Petermeier, 11, as he plays a clarinet solo. The solo was part of the band's field show, which they performed at every home football game.



### Sections

- Drumline
- Flag Corps
- Brass
- Woodwinds
- Pit Band

- The drumline focuses on the crowd while pounding out the beat. The drumline was featured at the half time show and had its own solo.
- During a complex routine, flag corps member Audrie Craft, 12, holds her position while Kayla Shouse, 9, stands in place, ready to play.



# Music Makes Us Human

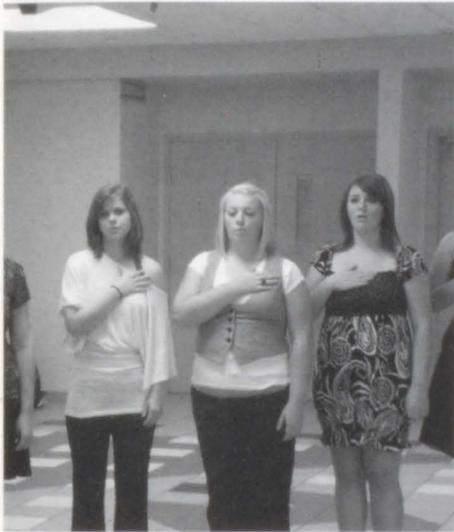
## Chorus



Sam Campos, 12, Cassie White, 11, Carrie Henrichs, 11, and Lacey Robertson, 10, warm up before a big performance.

**M**rs. Ruebhausen directed the five choirs throughout the year. Performances included the winter concert, the mid-winter concert, and the spring concert at the elementary school auditorium. "My favorite songs to sing were 'Witness' and 'Thou Lovely and Beloved,'" said Josh Weiss, 11. The a cappella choir took their annual trip to the Kansas City Renaissance Festival in September. "Renfest is fun because it is not like the other school trips I have taken. We dress up and act like we are from another time period," said Morgan Cundall, 11. "Seeing Elizabeth Raynor blush for two days straight at Renfest and everything about Jamie Hundsdorfer are my favorite things about choir," said Jessica Nave, 12. April Lauchner, 12, said her favorite part about choir was, "Learning about other people in treble choir." The treble and a cappella choirs went to see a Holocaust children's opera called "Brundibar". "It was a touching story that the children performed in a concentration camp," said Emily Lucia, 12. Between concerts and field trips, the choirs had a busy year.

BY COLLEEN CAHALAN

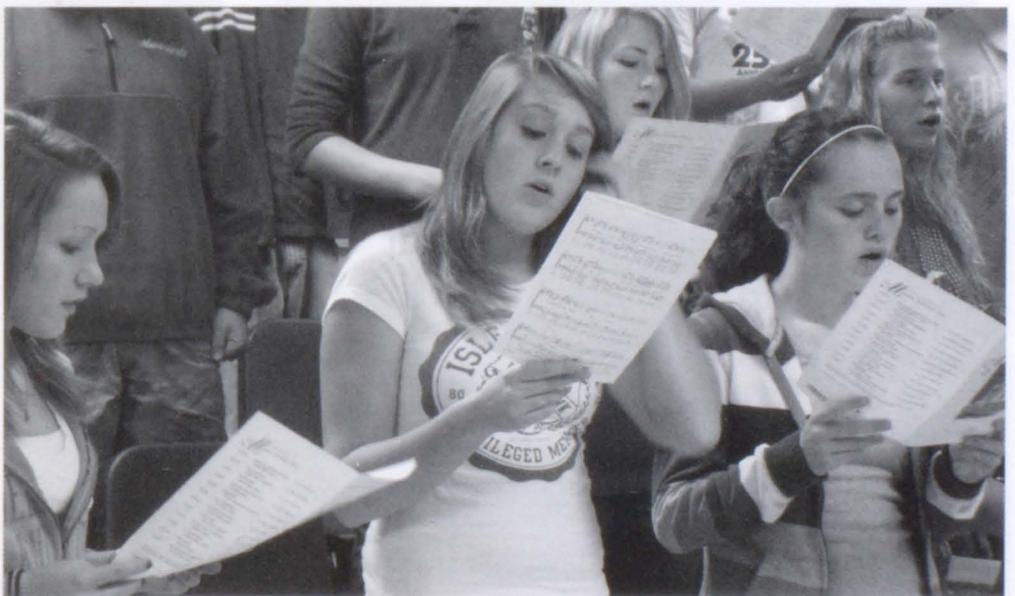


April Lauchner, 12, Megan Jakel, 12, and Morgan Cundall, 11, sing the National Anthem for the National Honor Society induction ceremony.

Olivia Russell, 9, Lynn Martz, 11, and Jamie Hundsdorfer, 10, check their music to make sure they are on key and on beat with the rest of the choir. Practice became more intense as the Christmas season approached.

### Choirs

- A Cappella
- Mixed
- Treble
- Jazz
- Onyx



# Molding Creative Minds

## Art

The typical classroom environment wasn't found in Mrs. Burns' art room. During the art class periods, they expressed themselves through various art forms. To fit each student's creative style, Mrs. Burns offered painting, ceramics, and drawing. Students learned how to paint three-dimensional objects through shadowing, which gave their work a new perspective. In ceramics, students formed clay into ceramic plates with their own drawing on them. Another art form taught was screen printing. Lindsay Compton, 11, was one of the few students to learn this art. She said, "The steps included: creating a sketch, applying photo sensitive emulsion to a piece of silk which has been stretched onto a frame, exposing the the sketch to the emulsion with a black light, and finally, washing away the unused emulsion to reveal what was to be printed." Screen printing resulted in a transferred drawing to a screen using a photo emulsion technique. "What I like about screen printing is that students learn the process through repetition. This allows students to perfect their own skills," said Mrs. Burns.

□ Mary Brann, 10, rolls out her clay before she begins her sculpture. Brann creates about three sculptures for a semester in ceramics.



BY MEGAN KUJAWA



### Course Path

- Art I/Art II
- Painting
- Ceramics
- Drawing

□ Michael Anderson is a trained graphic artist who now works in the fine arts. As a guest artist he demonstrates watercolor techniques to the painting classes.

□ Alayna Gillespie, 11 and Chelsea Turner, 11 watch as Valerie Strasser, 10, reveals her practice print. Strasser then printed her actual drawing.



# Better Home

## Living

## Home Economics



Alaina Kosydor, 9, and Emily Klobuchar, 9, sew purses for their Clothing class. This was one of their many projects this year.



The home economics department consisted of different classes that allowed students to experiment with life skills. Students of all ages were involved in classes such as Adult Living, Child and Day Care Services, Child Development, Clothing, Parenting, and Foods. During Foods class, students practiced making different types of meals. “The weirdest assignment was egg drop soup, but it was surprisingly good,” said Kathryn Torre, 10. Each class consisted of unique assignments. For Clothing class, the students learned how to mend clothes and for assignments they got to design different purses, scarves, or other articles of clothing. In Parenting and Child Development, students took home a simulated baby to learn the difficulties of becoming a parent. “Taking home the baby made me realize that you should wait until you’re much older to have a baby and you have more patience.” said Danika Dale, 12. These different activities and assignments prepared the students for their future.

BY EMILY BARTH

Abigail Kosydor, 10, and Danielle Frey, 10, show off their pants and scarves. They worked together during the semester to complete their final projects.

Juniors Logan Frank, Mark Keller, and Thomas Gibbs, work together to clean up their mess in Foods after baking Christmas cookies.



### Course Path

- ❑ Clothing
- ❑ Parenting
- ❑ Foods
- ❑ Adult Living
- ❑ Child Dev.



▣ Seniors, Claire Eller, Devin Randall, and Nolan Tyson, enjoy their Skis purchased from the Ag Department.



▣ Mr. Nickerson, Matthew Voss, 12, and Shaina Rittenhouse, 11, review their script before a newscast. The Television and Radio Production class taught students about the behind-the-scenes action that goes into media broadcasts.



▣ Kelly Bone, 12, Cameron Oestringer, 11, and Mandy Montayne, 12, converse outside during their lunch break. Students had the privilege of eating outside when the weather was permitting.

# TIME to Smile

Gaining more leadership, responsibilities, and privileges from year to year, each class developed individuality. Although sports, clubs, and academics were essential, high school was ultimately characterized by its

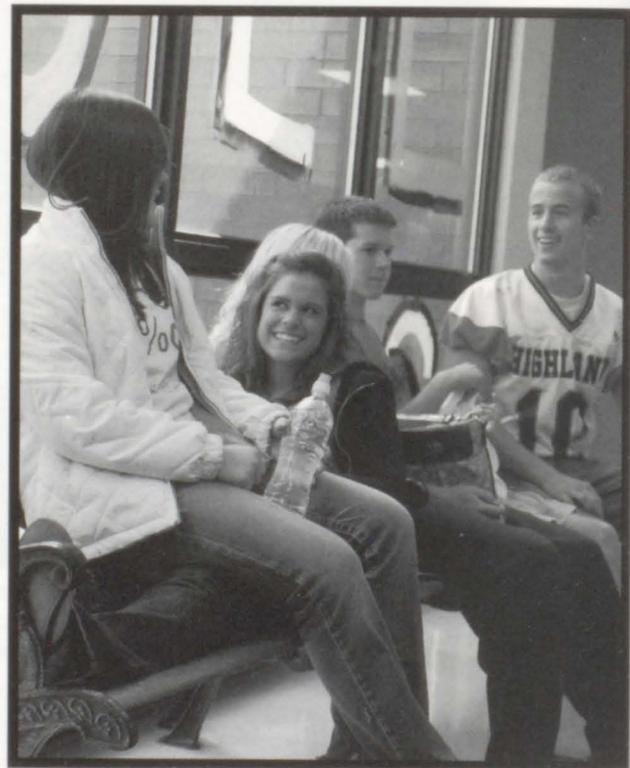
## PEOPLE

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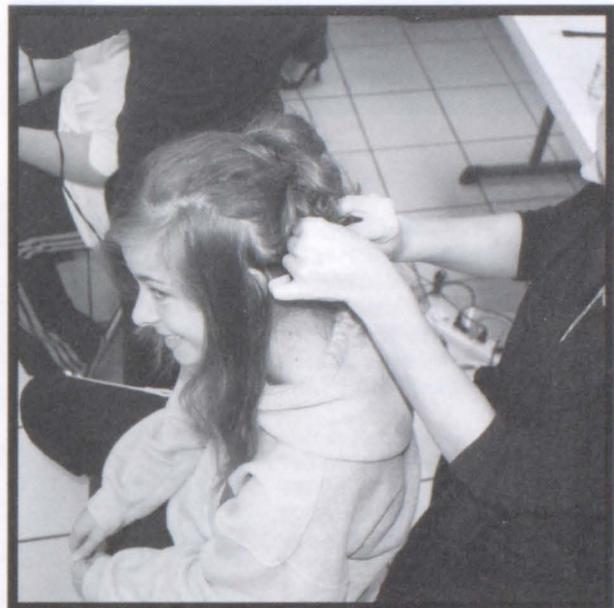


□ Juniors, Christy Balkenbush, Colin Duft, and Elizabeth Raynor, listen attentively as Ms. Walker teaches them about conic sections in pre-calc. The students in this classroom are on track to enroll in AP Calculus and perhaps earn college credit.

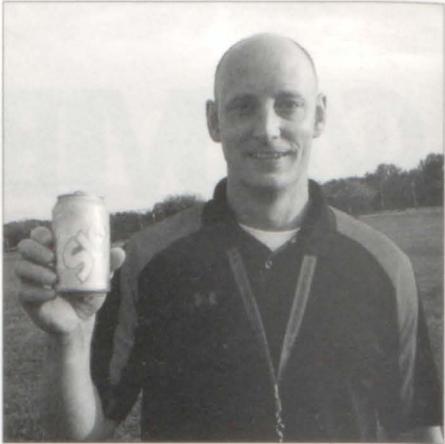
# CAUGHT ON



# CAMERA



# FACULTY



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 Dr. Arlen Baker, Business  
 Angela Barker, Teacher's Aide



Rene Barr, Agriculture  
 Liza Basden, Science  
 Tina Beyer, History  
 Mike Bolk, Teacher's Aide  
 P.J. Bolk, Library  
 Doug Bradley, History  
 Tina Bradley, Secretary



Karen Branger  
 Gail Braundmeier, Secretary  
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 Vicky Buehne, Teacher's Aide  
 Kathy Burns, Art  
 Rose Cann, Teacher's Aide  
 Ted Cipicchio, Business



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 Bruce Deibert, Agriculture  
 Deanna Dobbs, Special Education  
 Karen Duckworth, Nurse  
 Clay Dugger, Band  
 Margie Duncan, Math  
 Chris Durbin, Agriculture



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 Mike Farel, Social Worker  
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 Karen Gauen, English  
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 Christy Golder, Science



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 Lauren Jansen, Secretary





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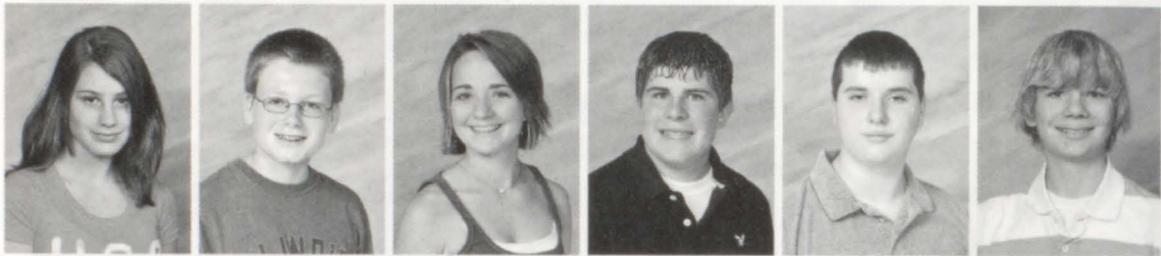
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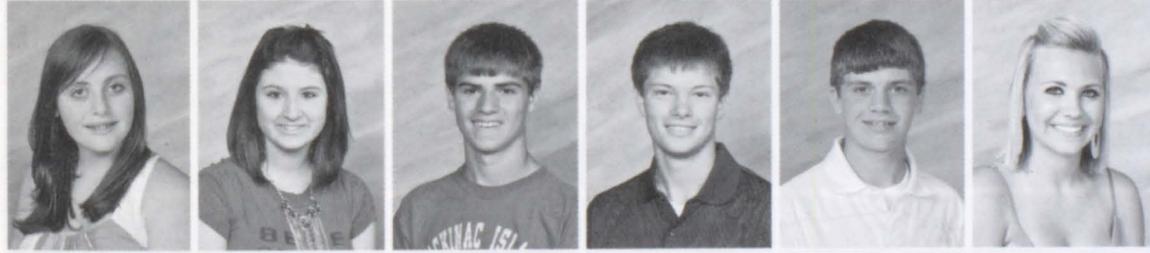
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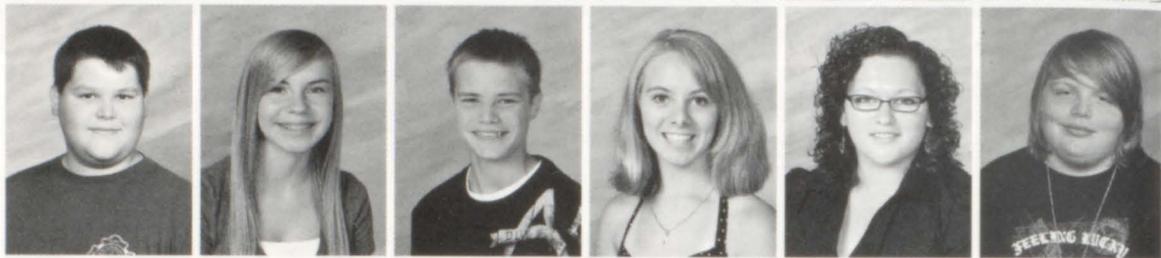
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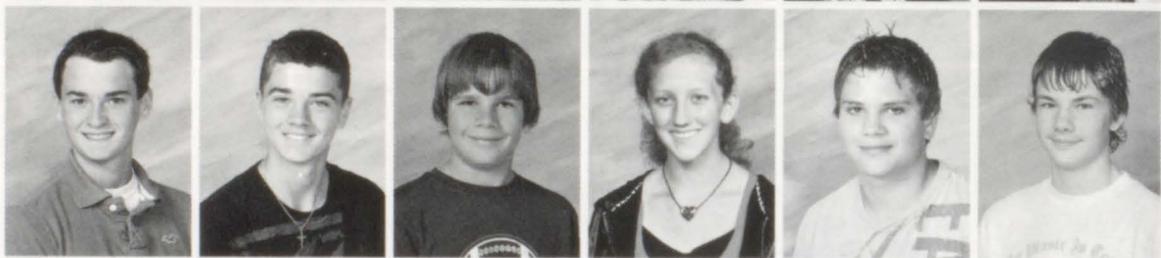
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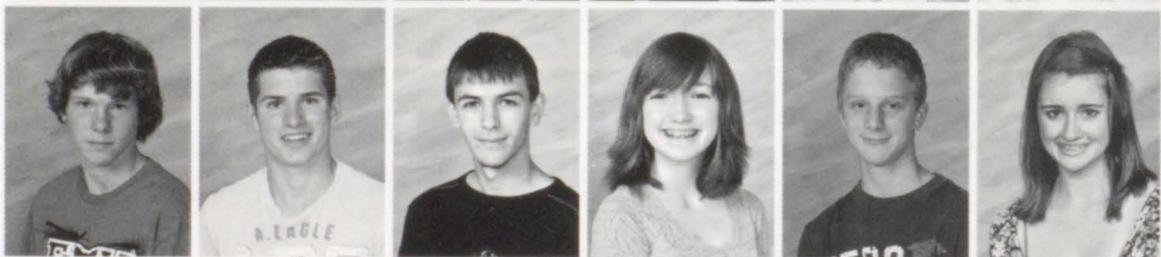
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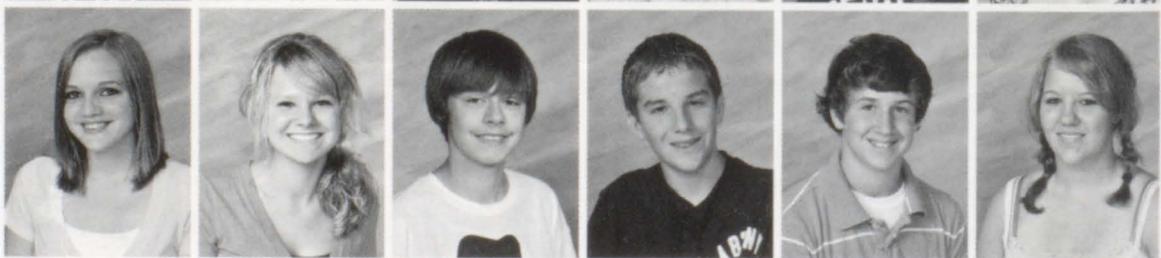
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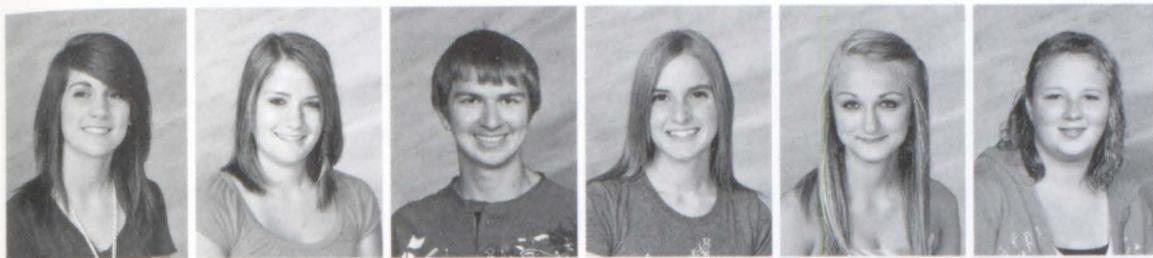


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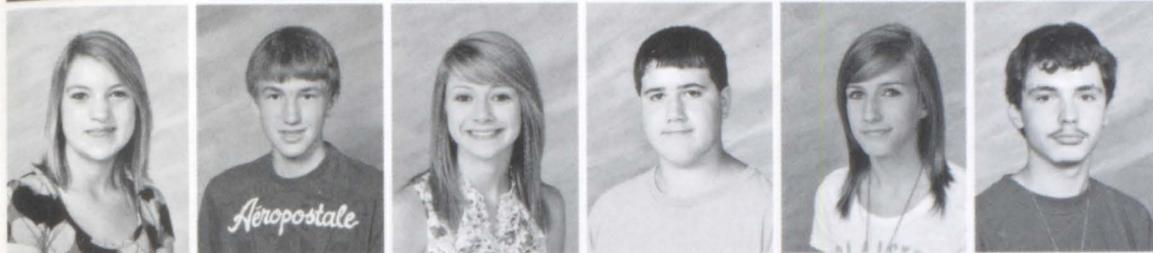


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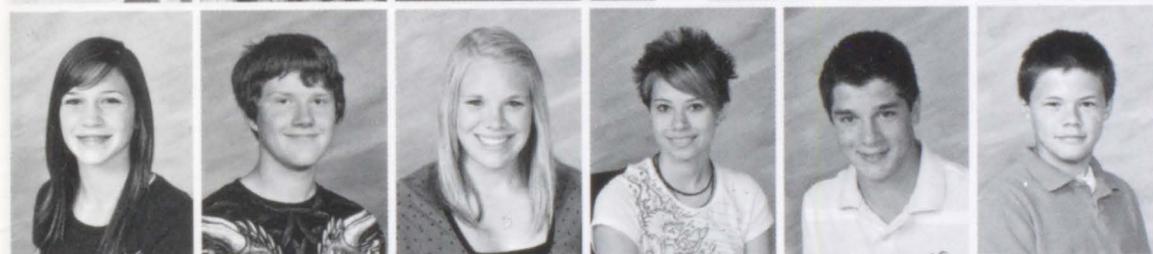
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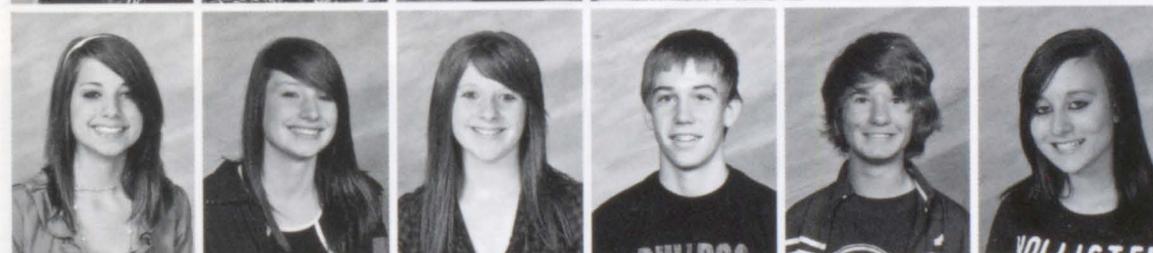
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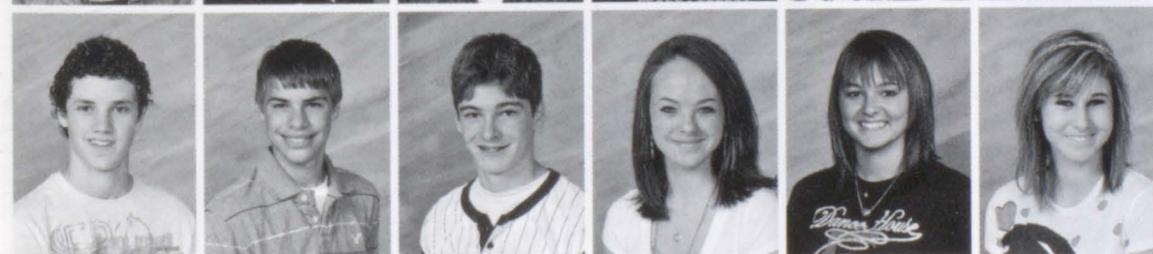
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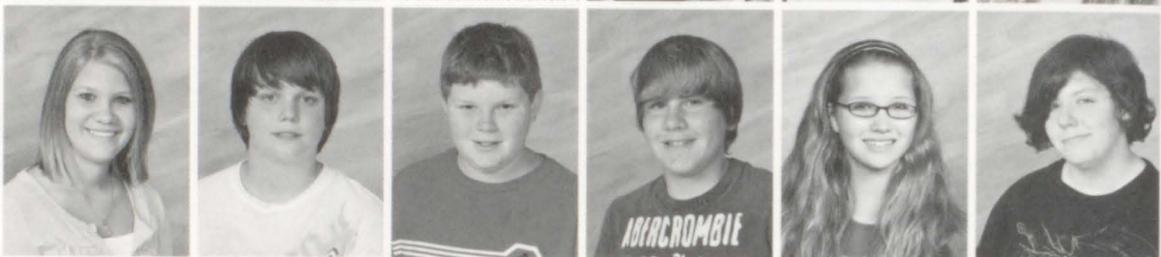
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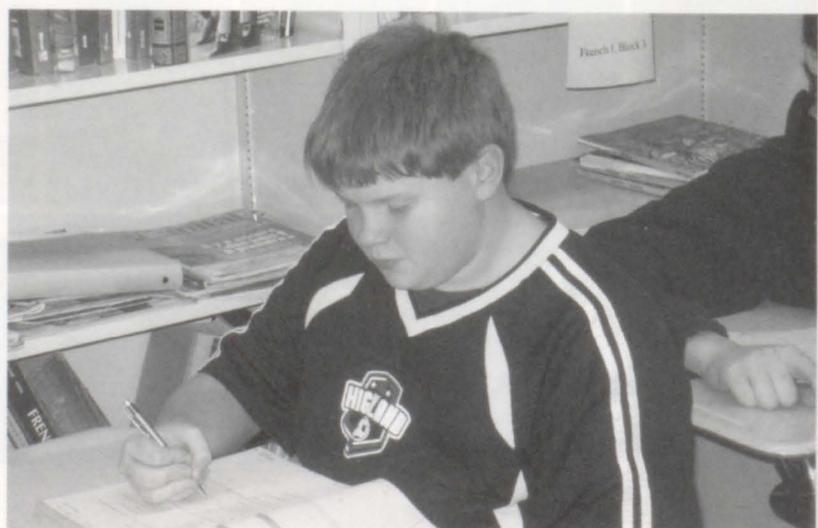
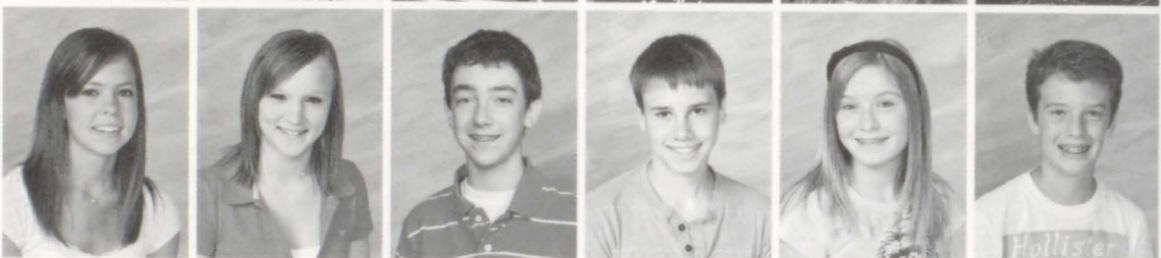
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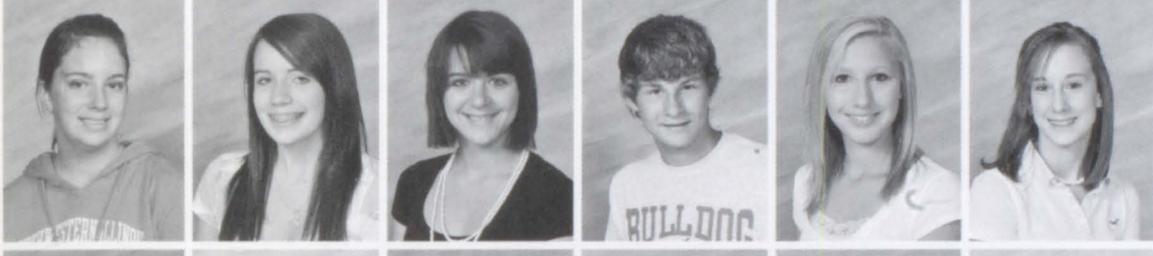
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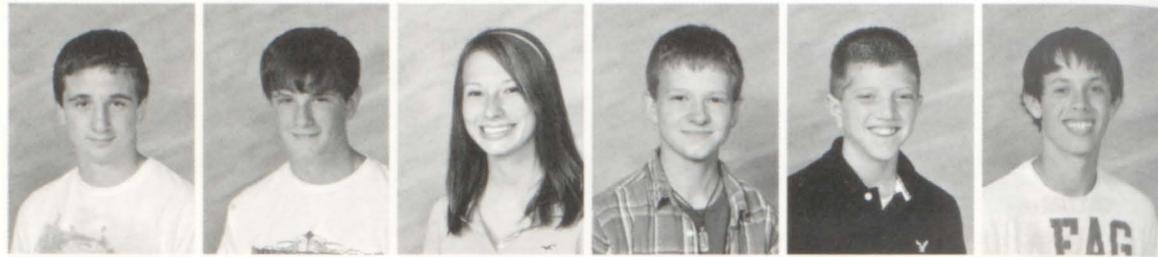
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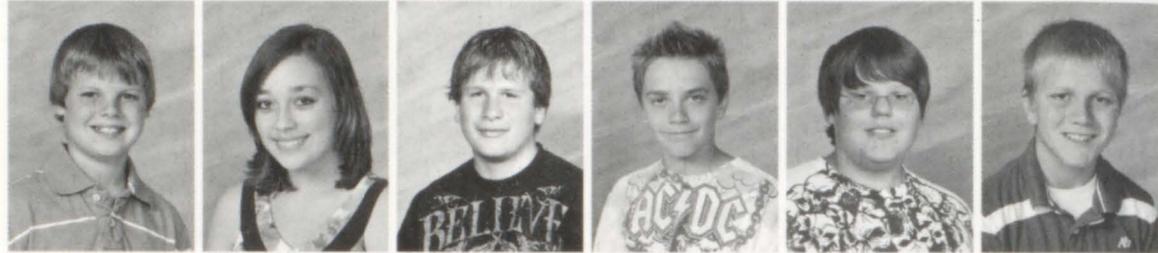
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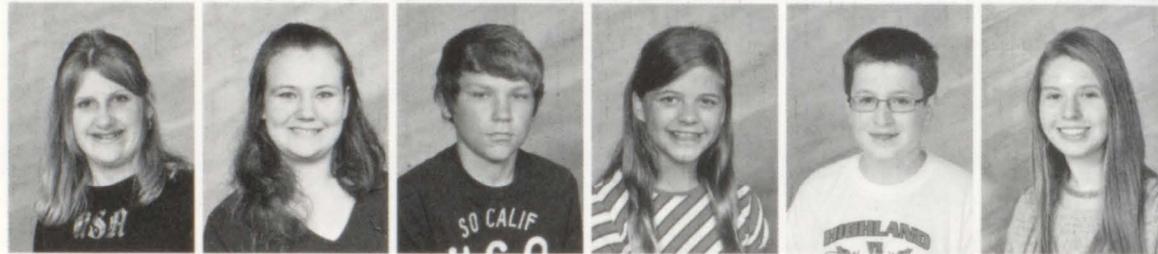
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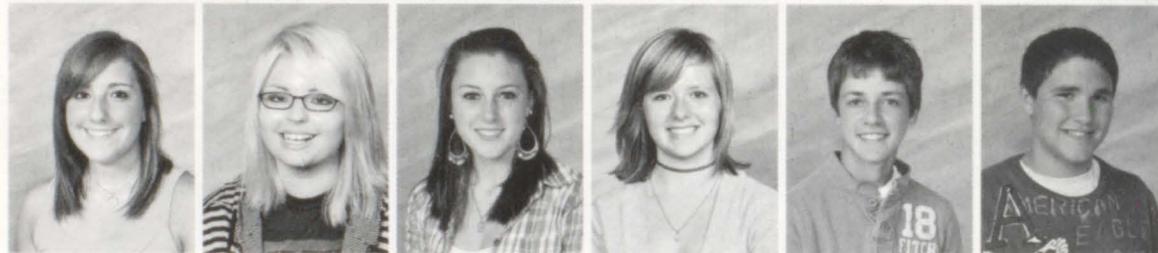
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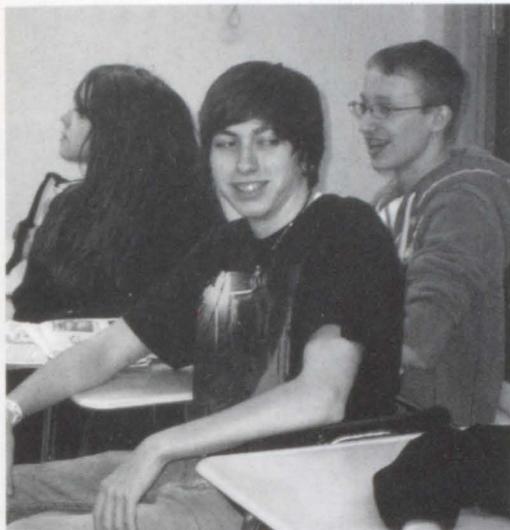


# Then and Now

## *Class of 1923*

~In 1923 freshmen feared hazing, went on a sleigh ride with the sophomores, and threw a school-wide “Mayday” party.

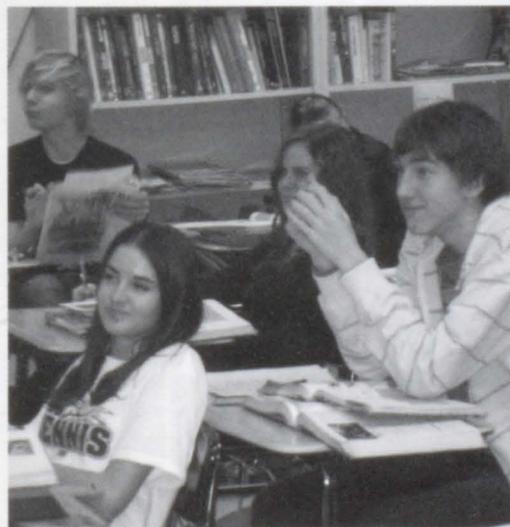
~The class began as a class of 33 students with only 12 graduating at the end of their fourth year.



~Front Row: Schott, Wick, Morstain, Marti, Pabst, Lory. Second Row: Gude, Meyer, Niggli, Buehler, Neumann, Vance, Pierron, Kelley. Third Row: Tschanen, Jose, Stoecklin, Beckman, Collins, Spencer, Seeger, Stocker. Back Row: Gedczi, Jenne, Hanser, Foehner, Foehner, Strebler, Foehner, Bub, Lebegue.

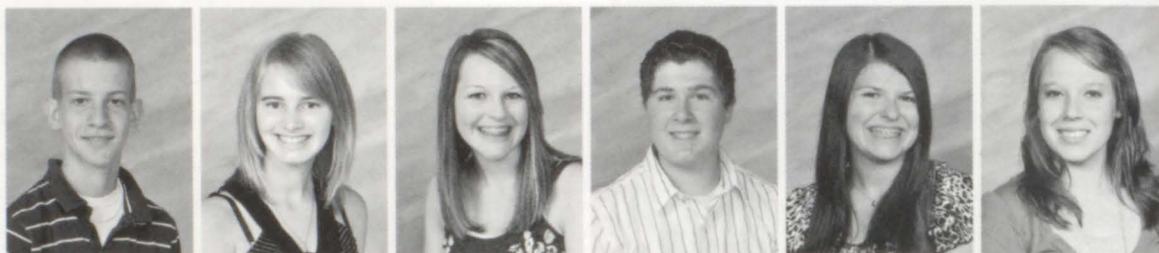
## Class of 2013

- ❑ Even though freshmen were still at the bottom of the food chain, hazing was no longer allowed, and they no longer hosted a party for the rest of the school.
- ❑ Like many other things that have changed since 1923, the class size grew to 250 students, comprised of 115 boys and 135 girls.

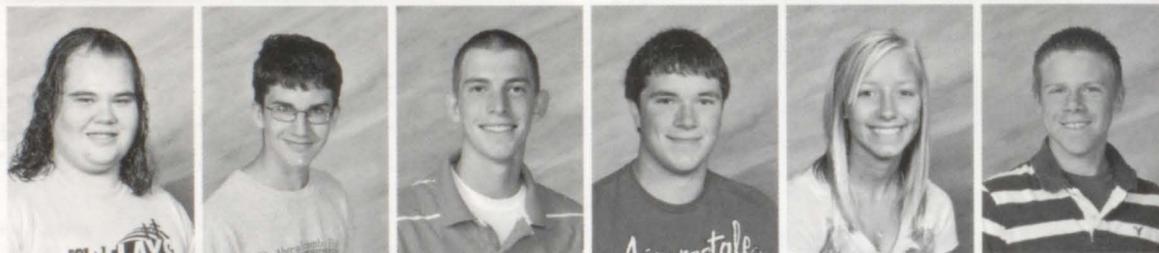


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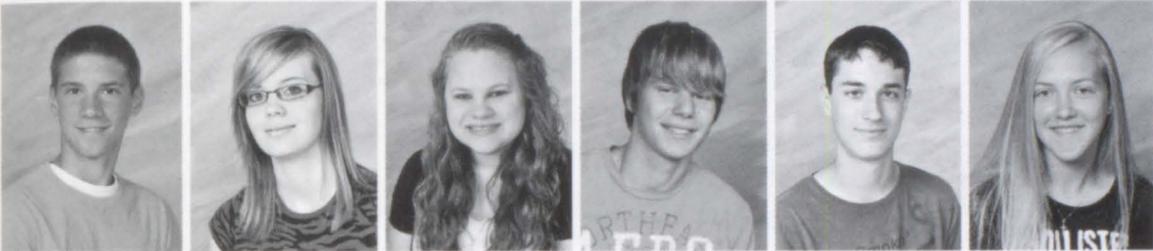
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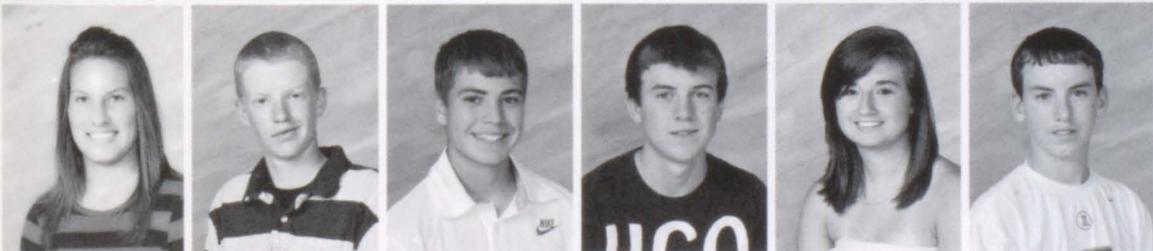
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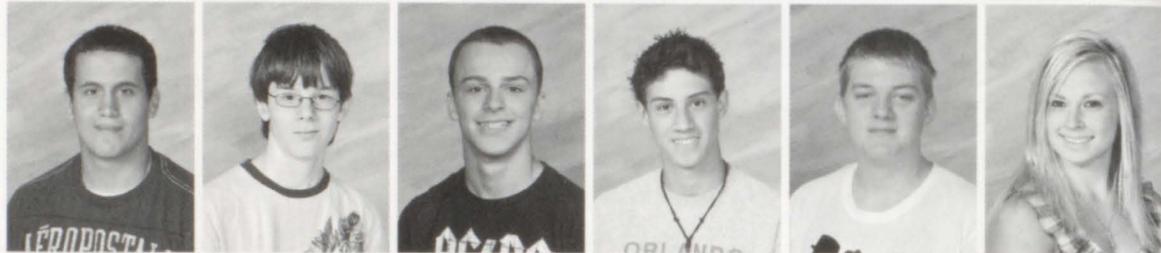
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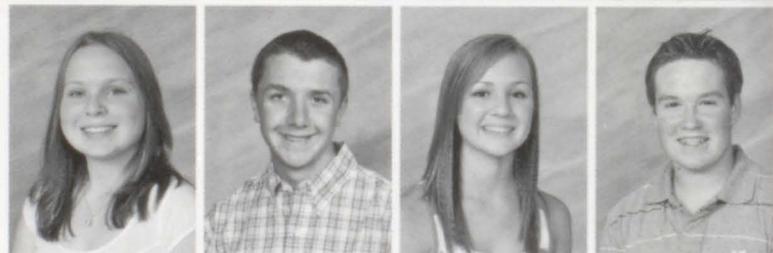
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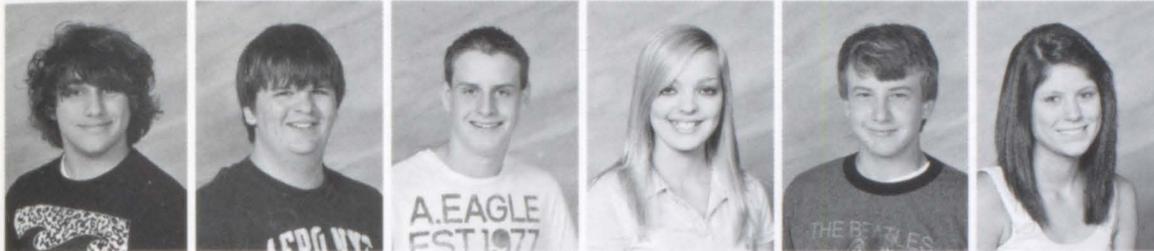




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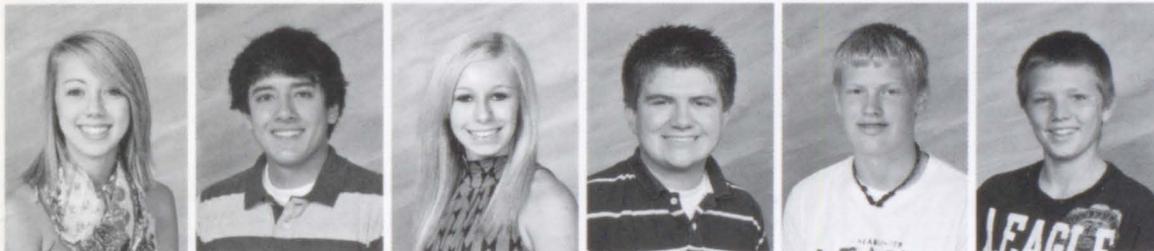
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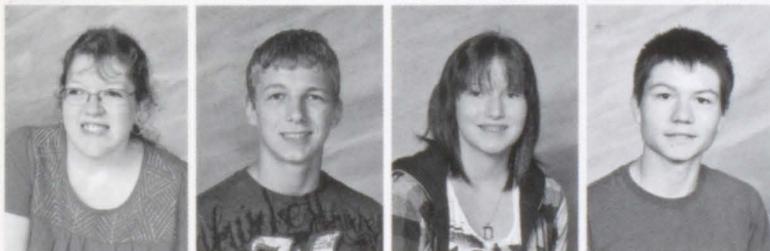
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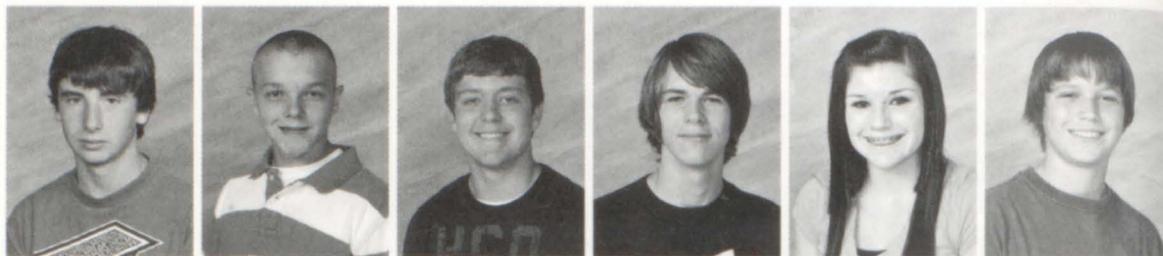


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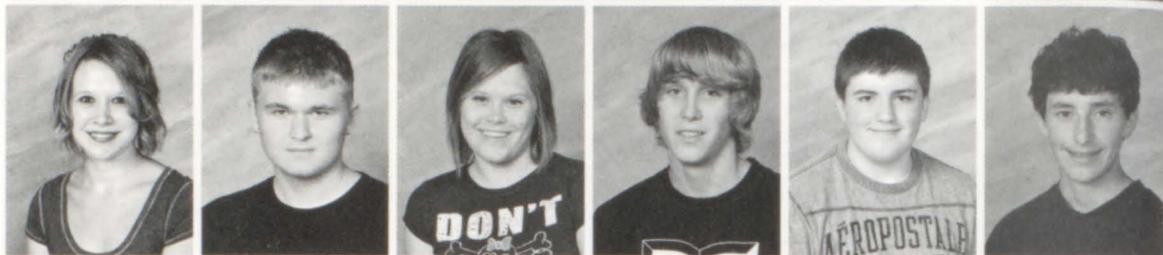


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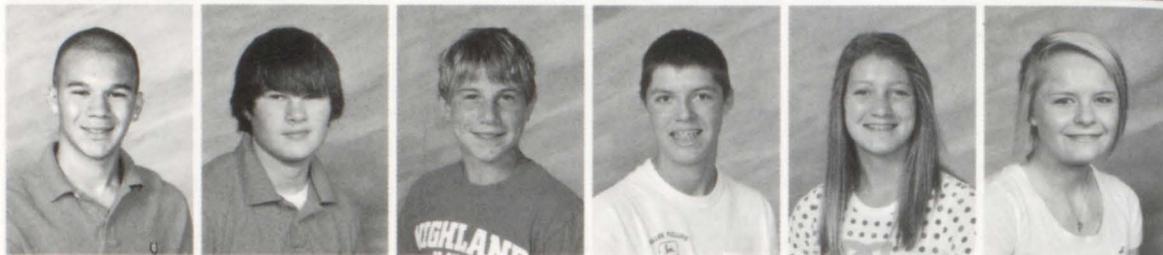
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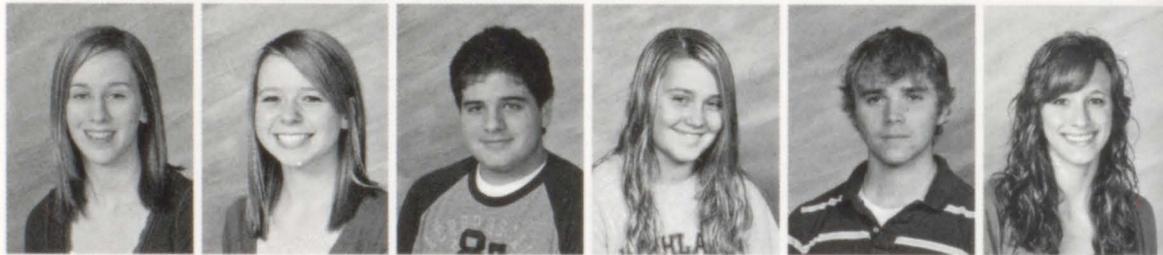
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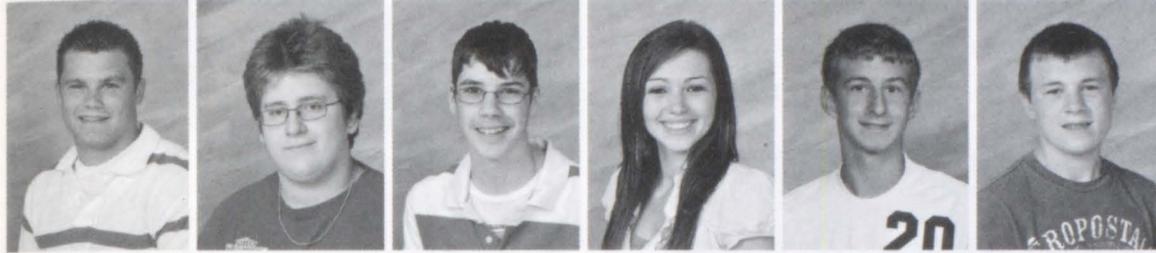




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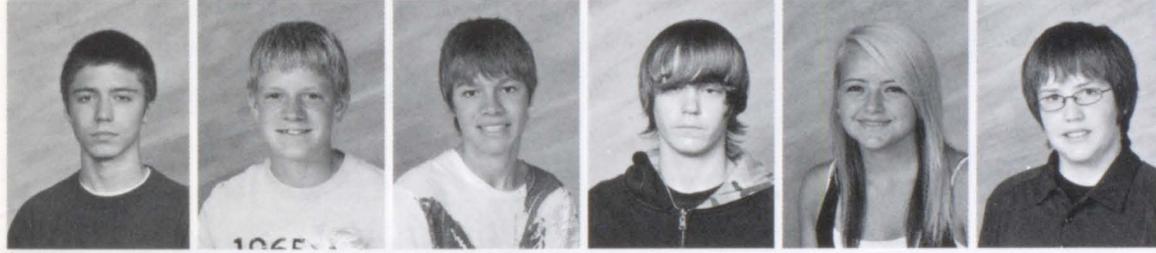
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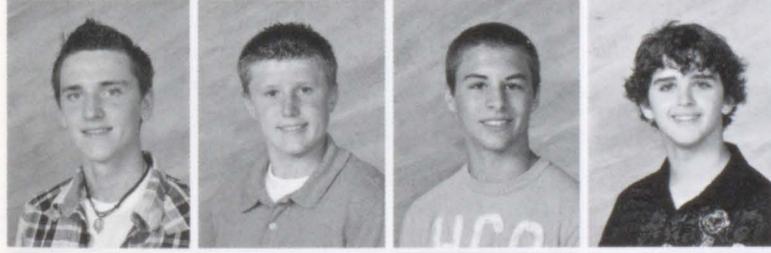
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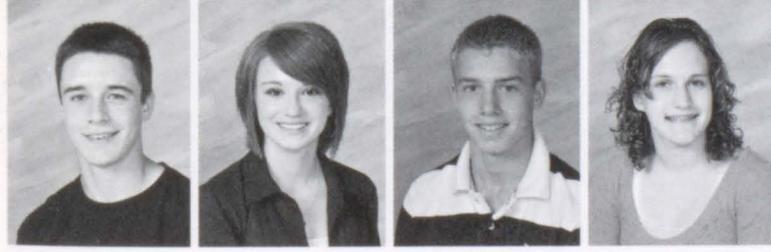
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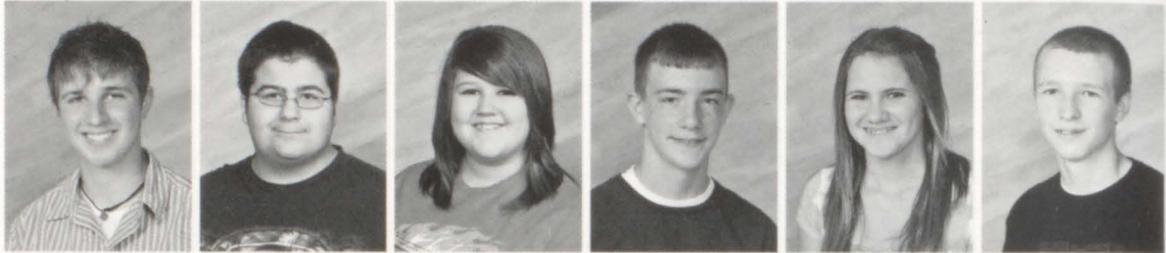
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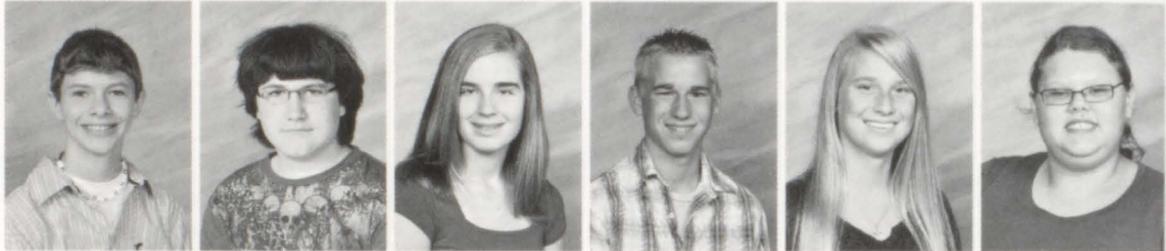
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# Then and Now

## *Class of 1922*

~The highlight of the year was throwing a Party of Hearts, featuring a Valentine's post office. Students spent days decorating the gym for the event.

~After losing one classmate to heart failure and two more during the influenza epidemic, the class of 1922 graduated with 14 students.



~Front Row: Neudecker, Rogier, Hagnauer, Ittner. Second Row: Hebrank, Paul, Leriche, Bauer, Ambuehl, Gilomen, Schwend, Kamm. Third Row: Collins, Powers, Holz, Thurnau, Dettmar, Peter, Brunner, Glock. Back Row: Latowsky, Suppiger, Hoyt, Thurnau, Iberg, Lebegue, Miller.

## **Class of 2012**

- ❑ Today's sophomores look forward to getting their driver's licenses and maybe even a car or truck.
- ❑ Compared to the small class of 1922, the sophomore class grew to 253 students made up of 143 boys and 110 girls.

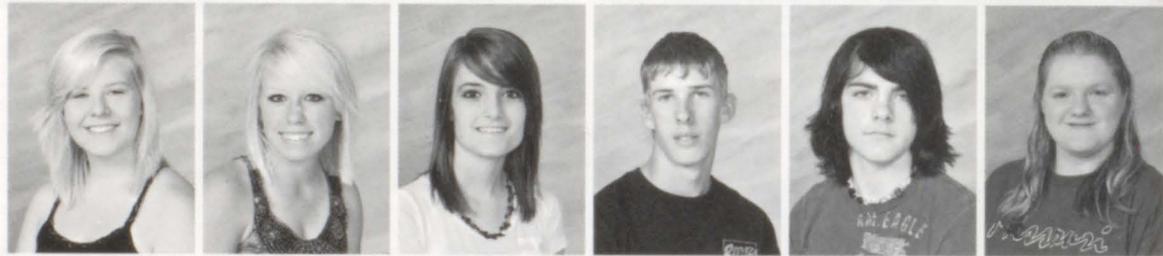


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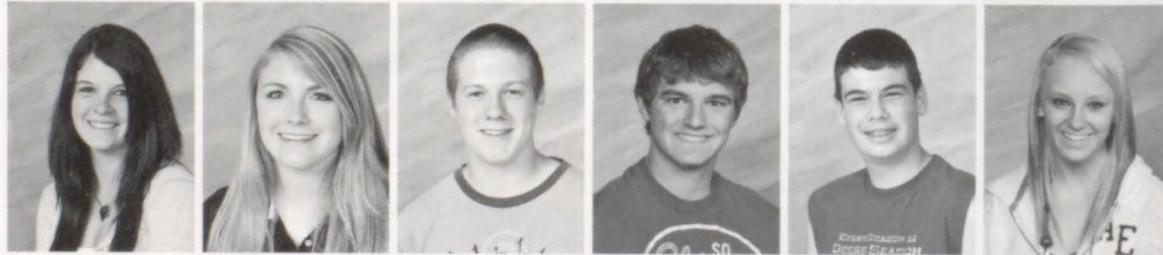
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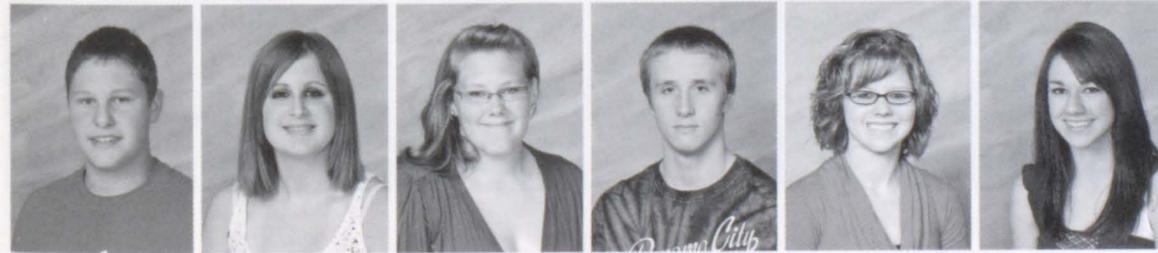
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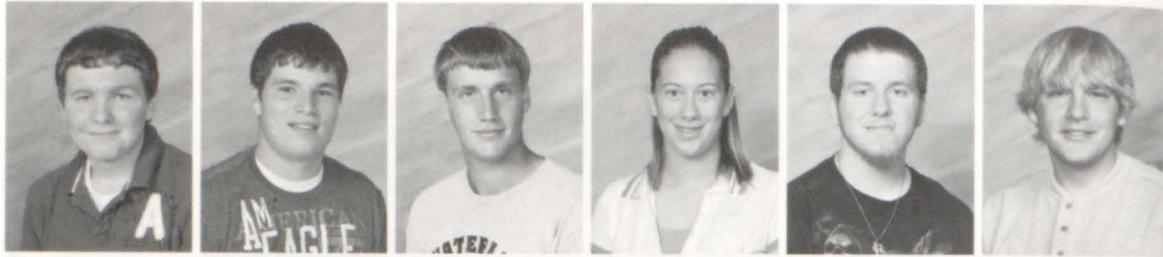


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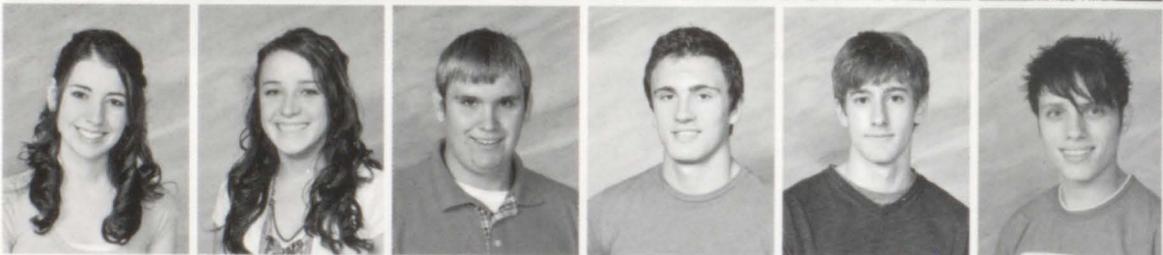
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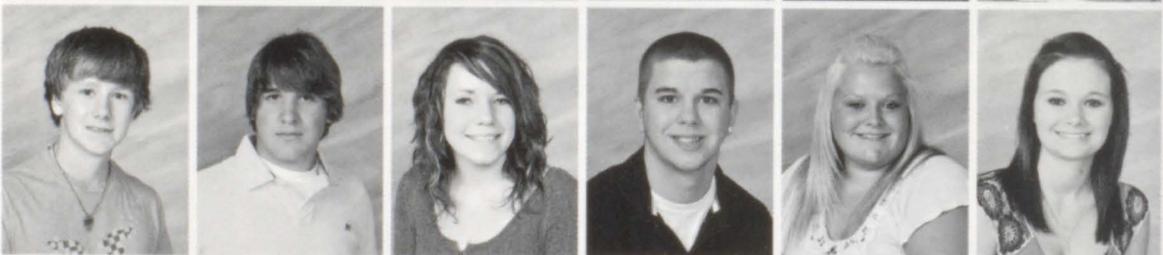
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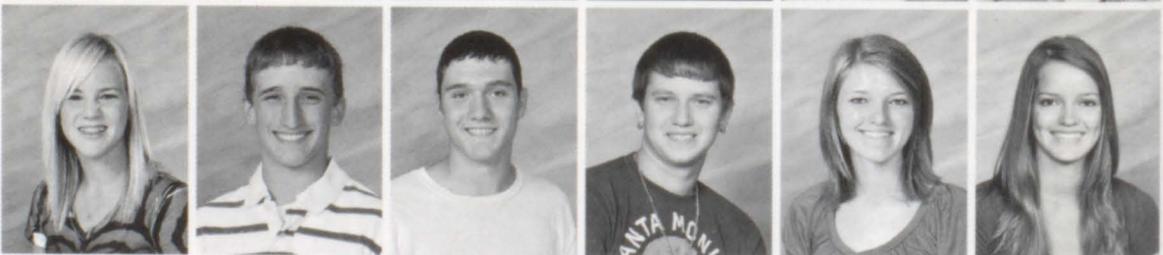
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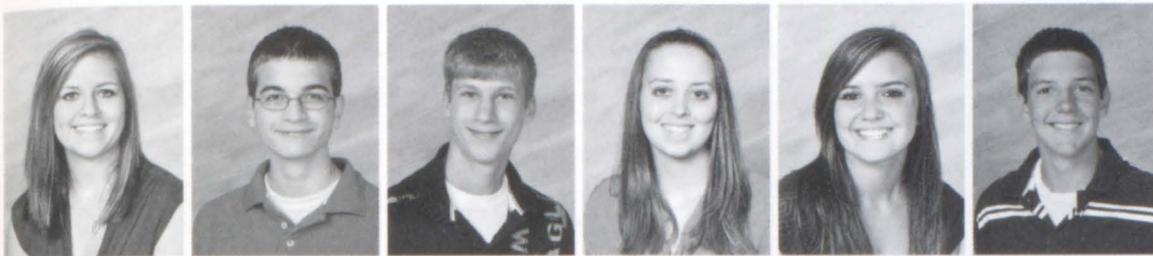


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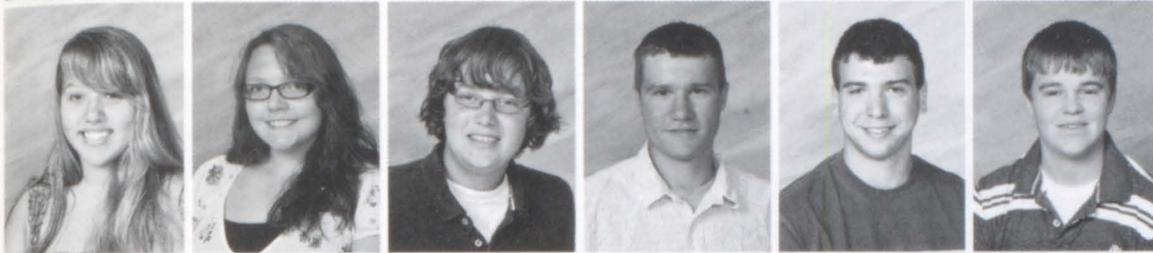


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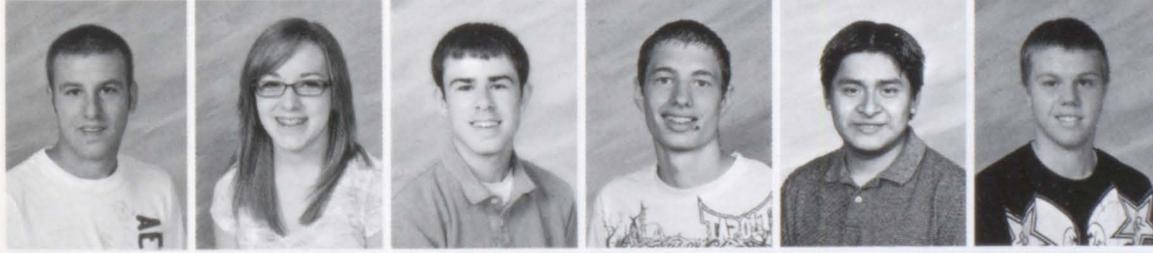
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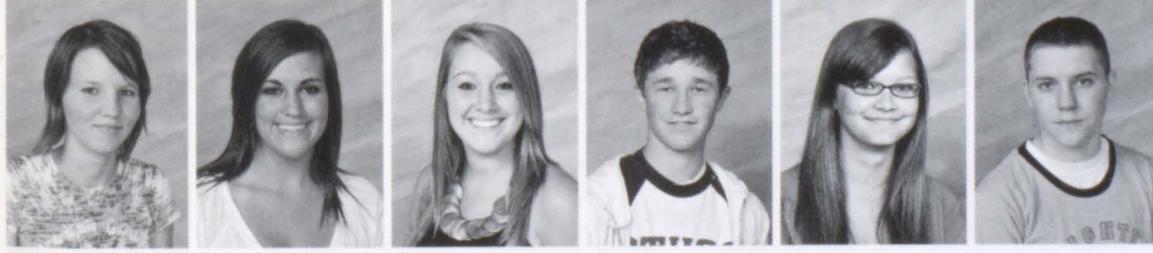
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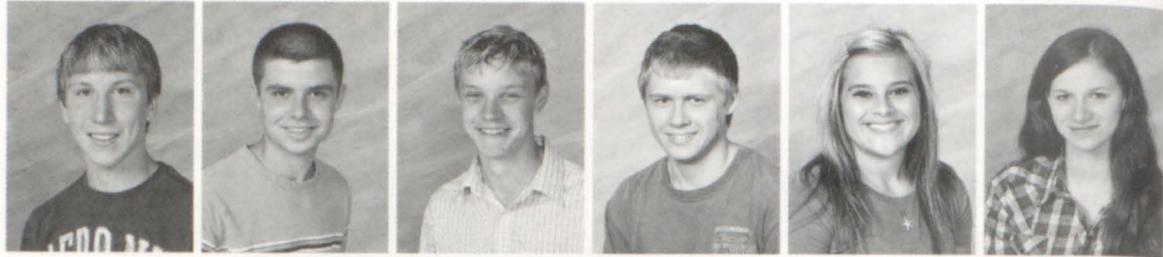


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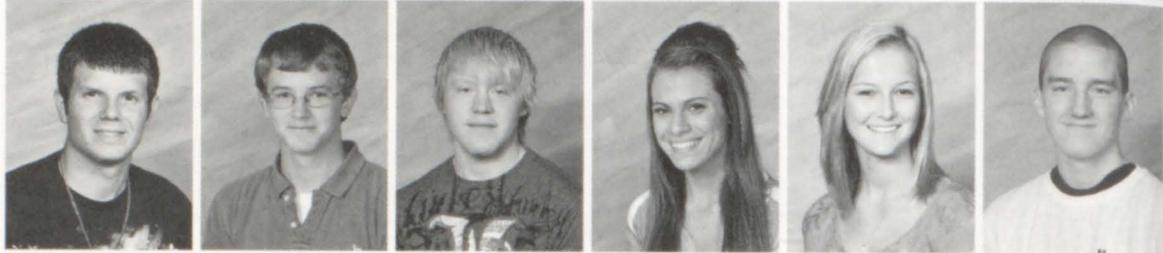


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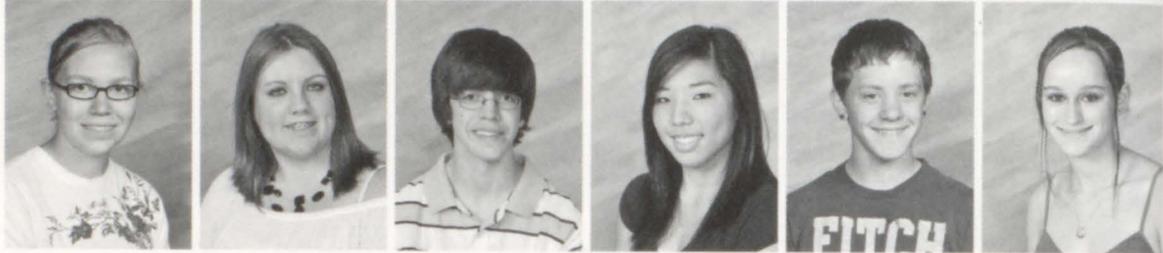
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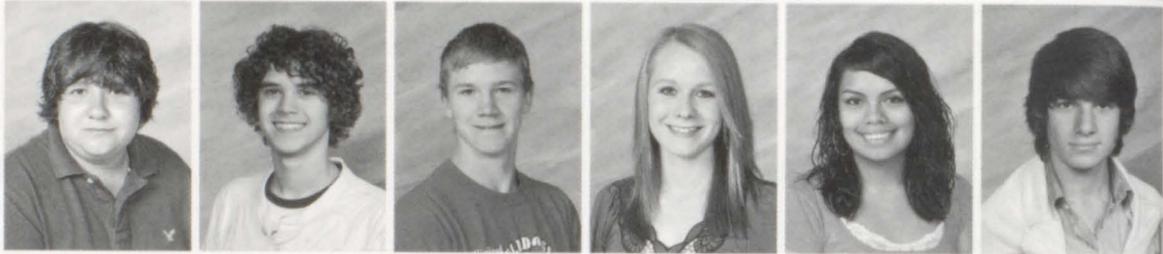
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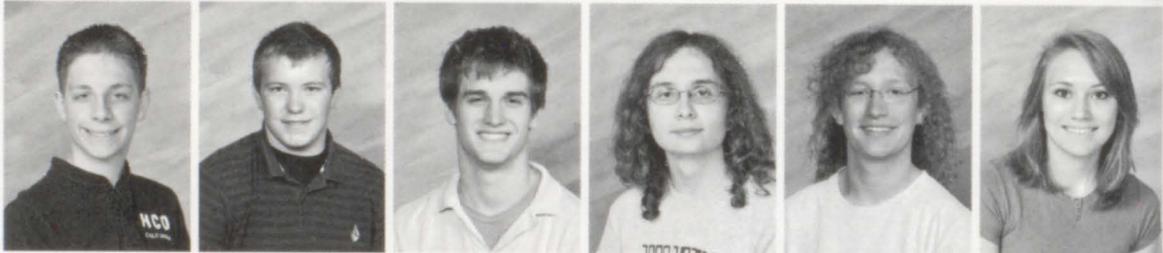
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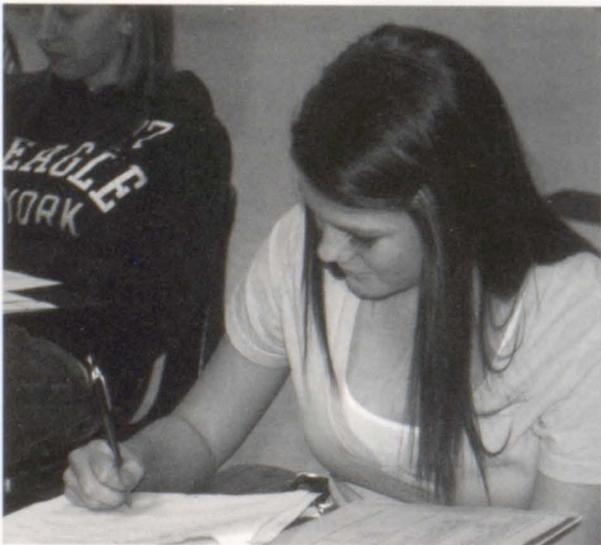
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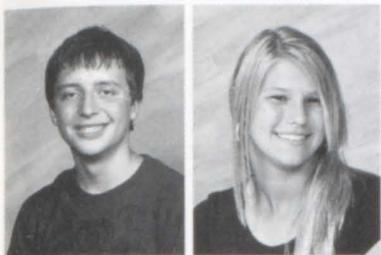


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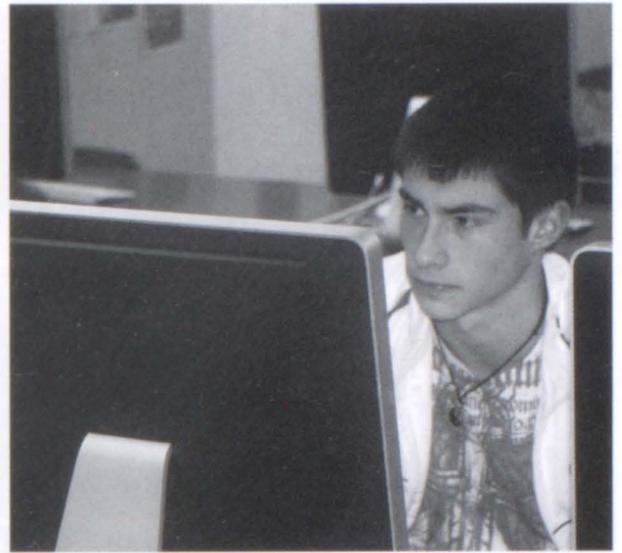


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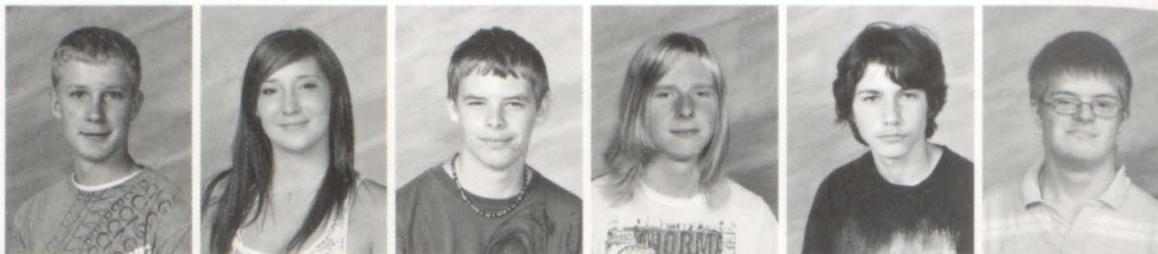
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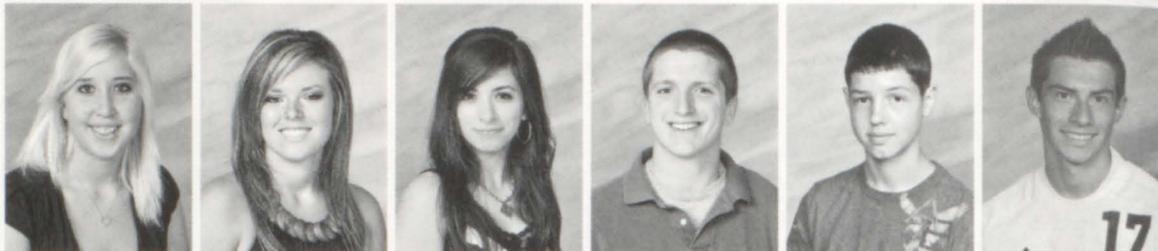
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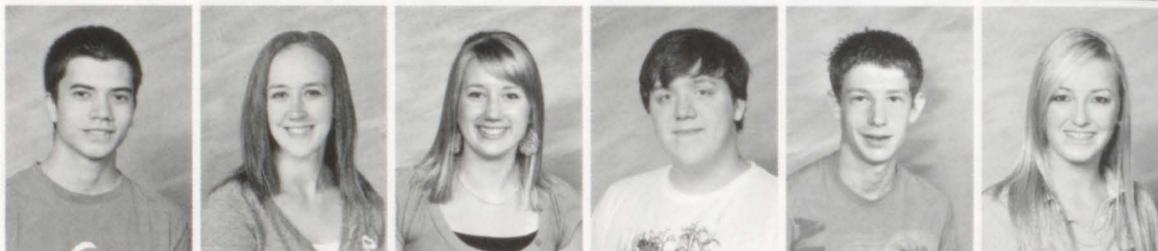
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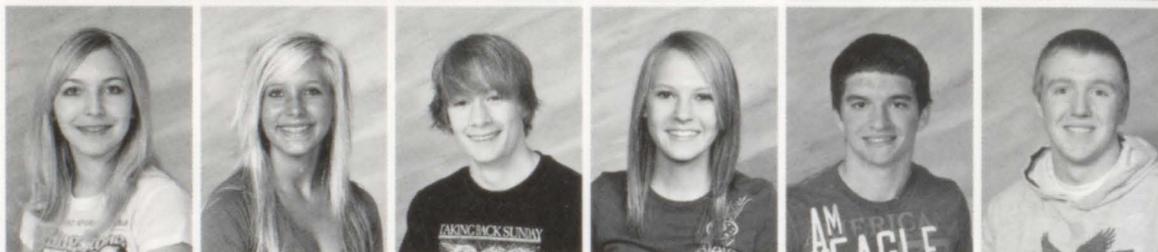
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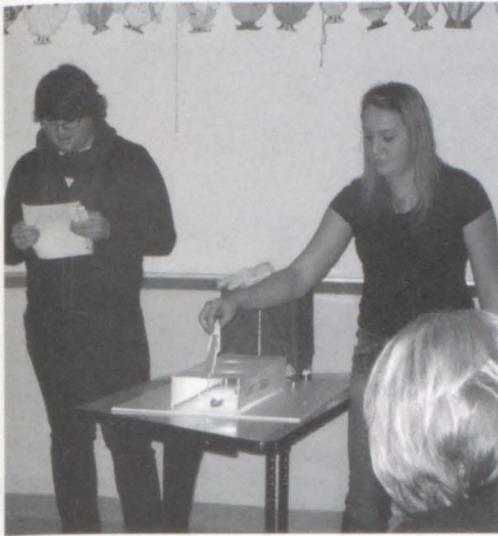


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# Then and Now

## *Class of 1921*

~In 1921, juniors were not exempt from exams, and even had to take them four times a year. After the signing of the WWI Armistice, the class of '21 celebrated by driving around town in automobiles making lots of noise.

~The class of 1921 in their Junior picture.

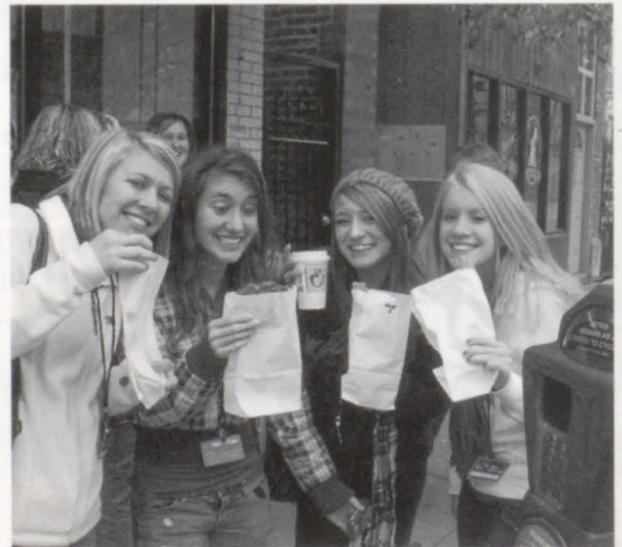
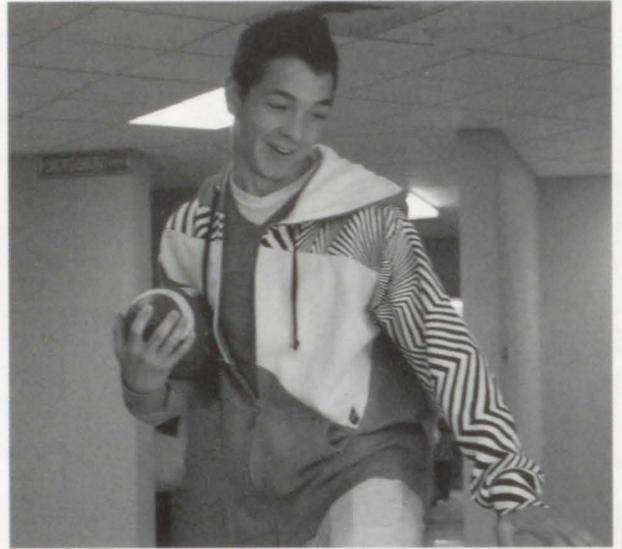
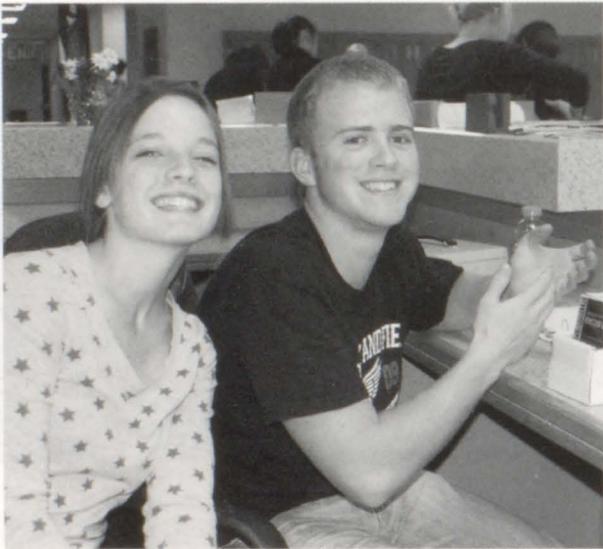


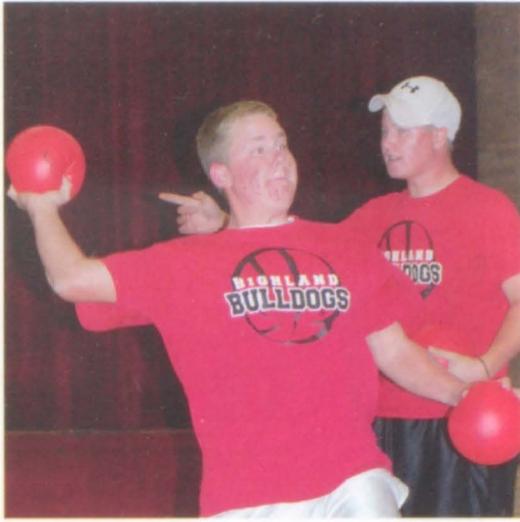
~Front Row: Jost, Latowsky, Stocker. Middle Row: Huegy, Nagel, Habegger, Rogier, Ludwig. Back Row: Kuhnen, Rogier, Auten, Miller, Koch.

## Class of 2011

- ❑ Ninety years later, almost all juniors were exempt from taking exams unless they missed too many classes or did not perform well.
- ❑ Compared to the nine students in '21, the class of 2011 had 248 students, made up of 121 boys and 127 girls

# 2010 SENIORS





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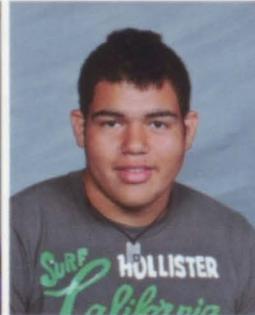
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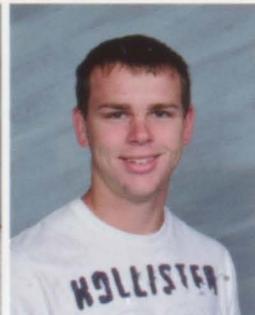
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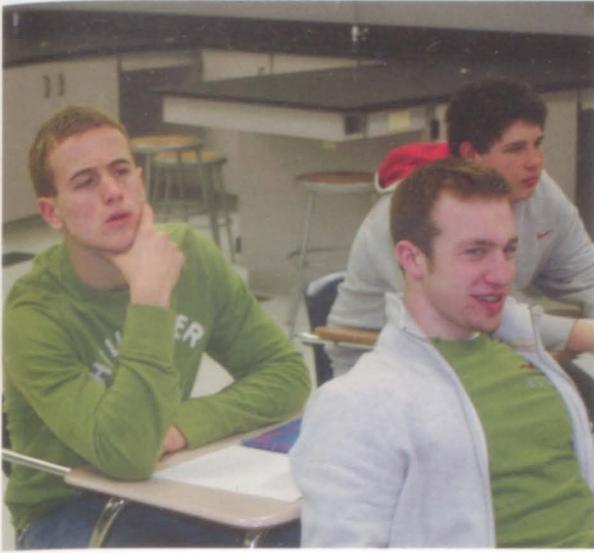


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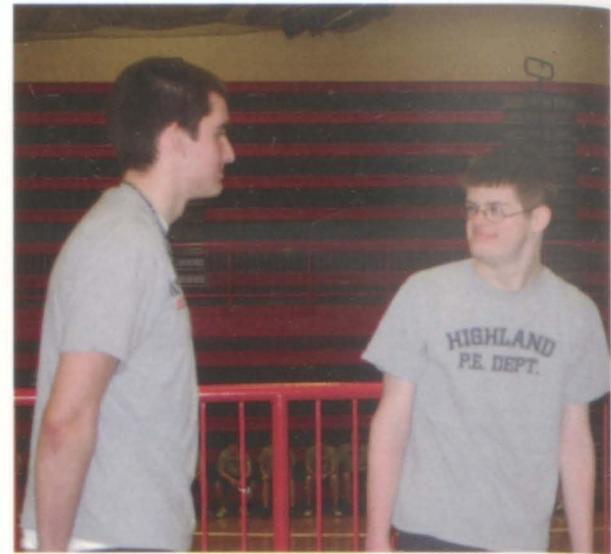
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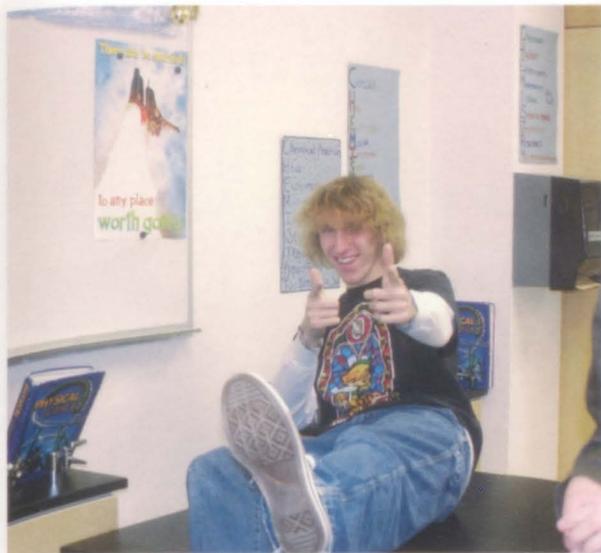


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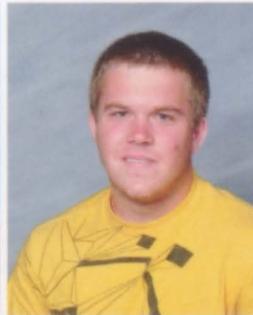


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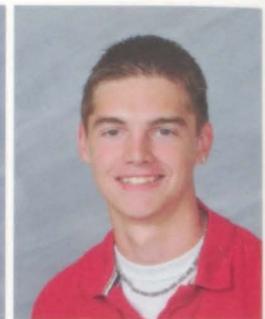
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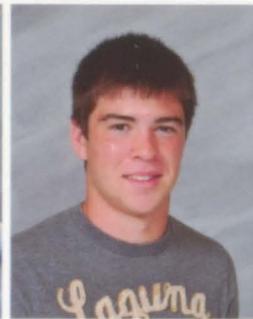
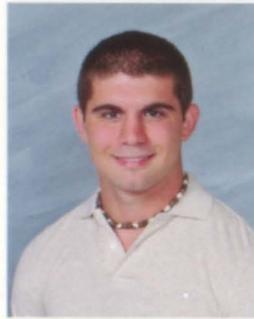
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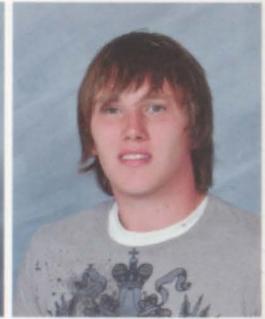
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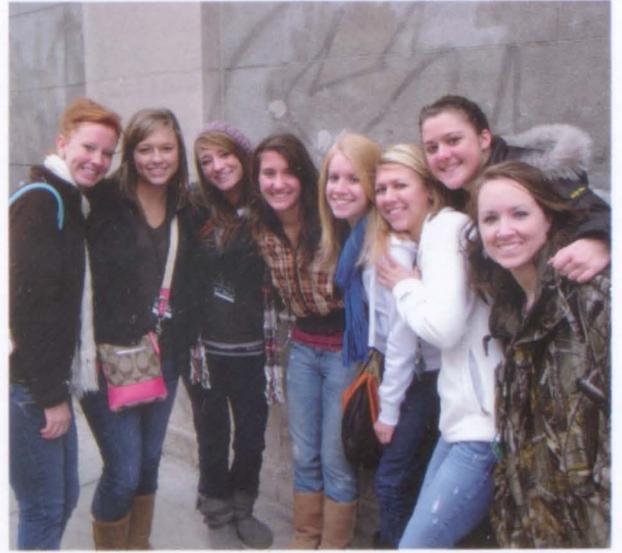


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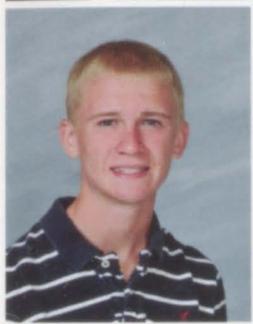


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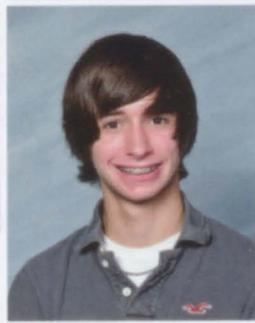




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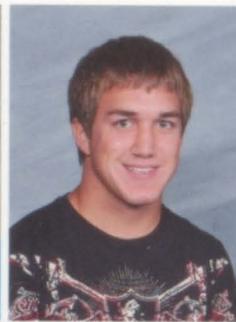
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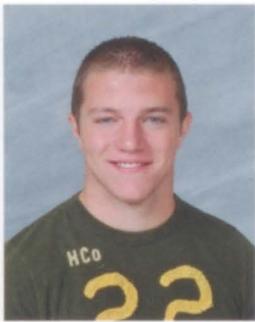
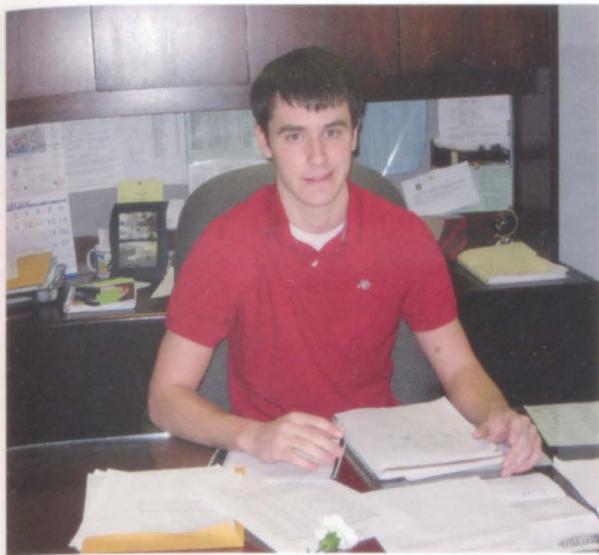


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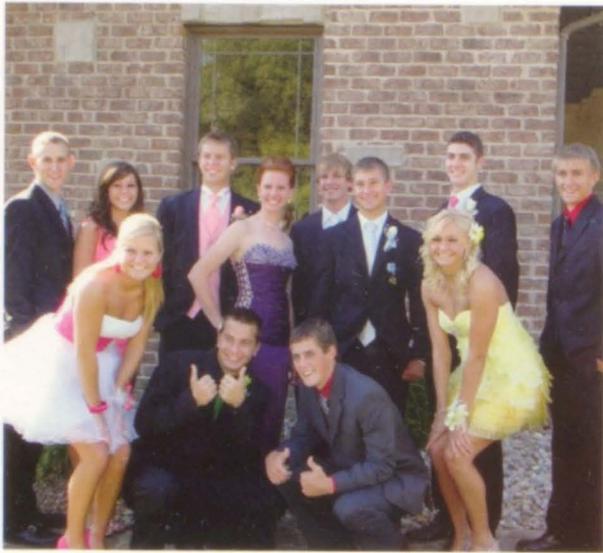
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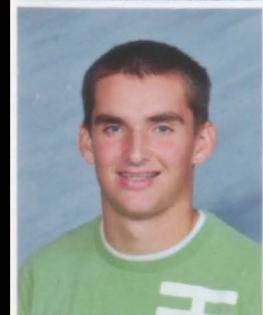
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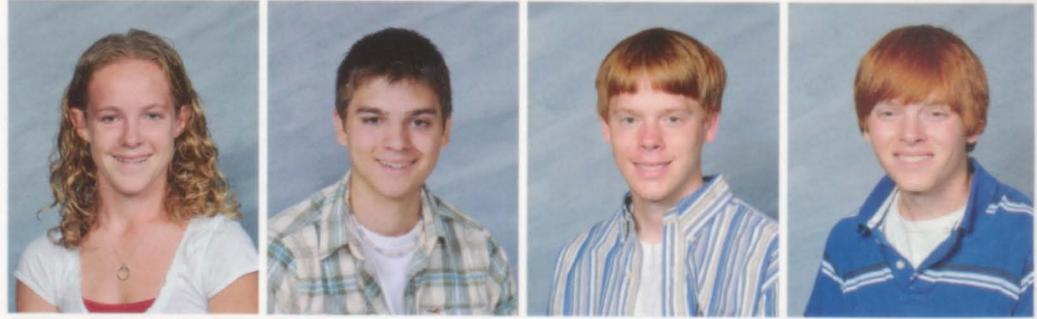
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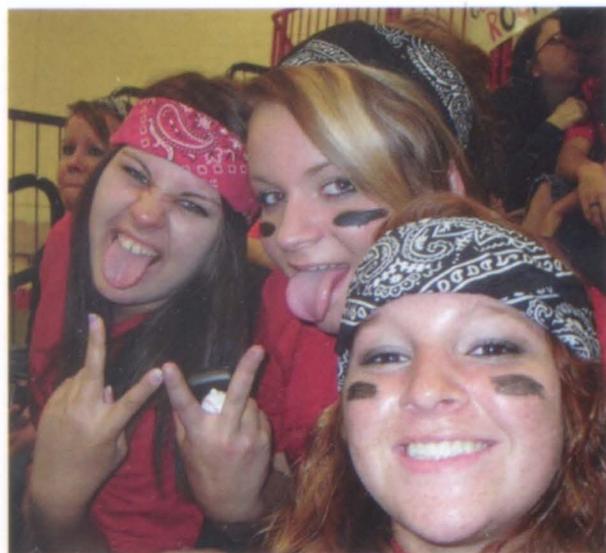


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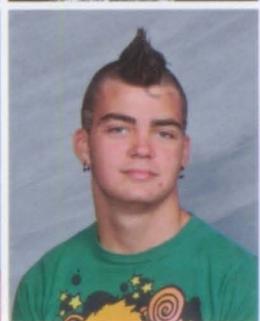


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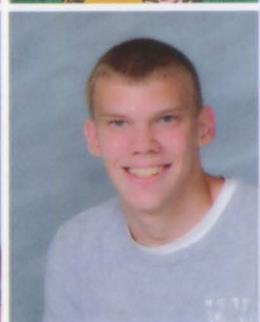




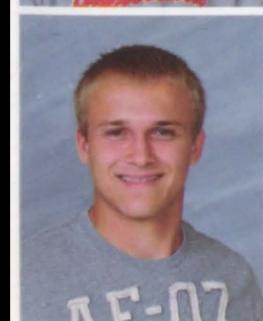
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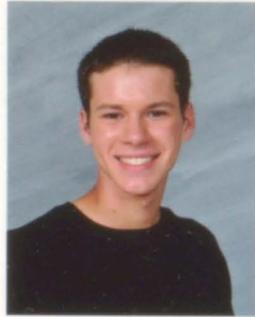
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# Then and Now

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## *Class of 1920*

~The class of 1920 faced a threatening senior year with the influenza epidemic that closed the school down for two months. The highlight of the year was a school-wide Halloween party that the student council hosted.

~Seniors in 1920 started in 1916 with 32 classmates. Unfortunately by their fourth year there were only 15 graduates due to influenza and WWI.



~Top Row: Carp, Collins, Duncan, Foehner, Glock, Kamm, Kyle, Matter, Meyer. Bottom Row: Hoefle, Holliger, Hoyt, Hug, Spellerberg, Spencer, Stokes, Tschannen.

## Class of 2010

□ The class of 2010 had a fun year thanks to winning the spirit stick during homecoming week, buying the school a new bulldog mascot costume, and the ongoing battle for “Leroy” the pink panther.

□ The senior class of 2010 had 247 students, 138 of which were boys and 109 who were girls.

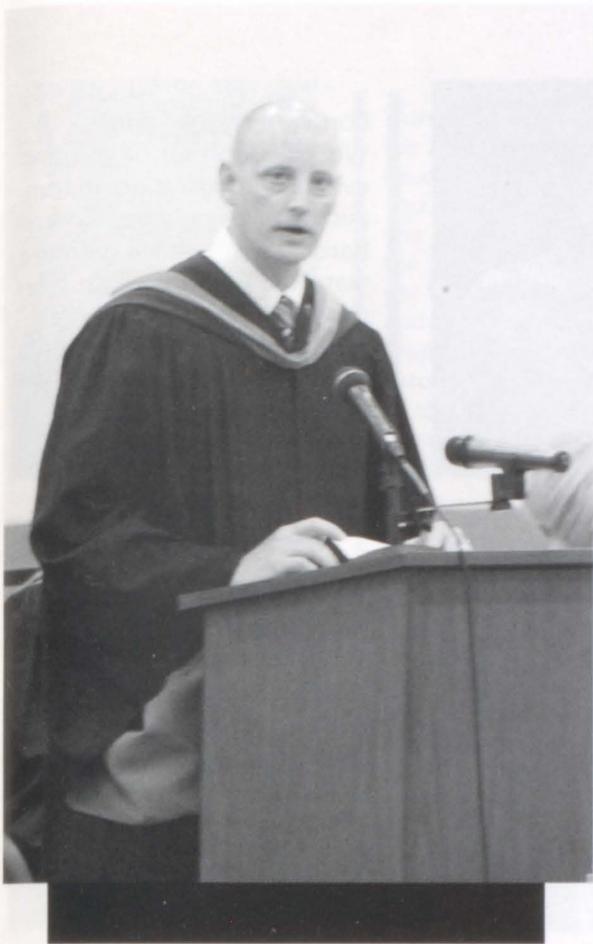
# High Time



After a week of cold rainy weather, the clouds finally departed and out came the sun, just in time for graduation on Sunday, May 23, 2010. It was standing room only in the gym as the class of 2010 received their diplomas. The band, directed by Mr. Clay Dugger, played "Fanfare and Processional" as the graduates took their seats and the audience stood. The class of 2010 chorus members sang The National Anthem. Fallon Poettker, class vice president, Alec Perfetti, class secretary, Jason Scott, class treasurer, and Garrett Meier, class sergeant-at-arms gave the welcome. Mr. Michael Sutton, Superintendent, presented the Valedictorian award to Dakota Gilbert and the Salutatorian award to Christopher Uhe who then gave the class comments. The farewell was delivered by class president, Austin Potthoff. Principal Derek Hacke presented the class and the diplomas were handed out by class sponsors, school board members, and the high school principals. At the ceremony's conclusion, the band played "Fanfare and Recessional" as the audience rose and the new graduates filed out.

Students celebrate the final chapter of their four years at Highland by shooting silly string after receiving their diplomas.

- Principal Hacke, in his first graduation address at Highland, speaks to the graduates about the year and wishes them luck in the future.
- Following tradition, the senior choir members provide the entertainment following the class comments from the valedictorian.



- Alec Perfetti receives his diploma and a handshake from Mr. Sutton, Superintendent.

## SENIOR ADS



Chelsey,

We are very proud of you. You are everything we hoped you would be and more. Your smile and great attitude have made life with you a joy. We love you more than you can ever imagine.

Love,  
Mom and Grandma



Congratulations Travis!

We are so proud of you and everything you have accomplished. We know you worked hard. It has been a pleasure watching you grow into a responsible, caring young man. May all your dreams come true. Best of luck at St. Louis College of Pharmacy! Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Vanessa



Congratulations Mary!

We are very proud of you and who you have become. We know you will continue to do well in everything that life brings to you.

We Love You!  
Dad, Mom, and Donnie



Congratulations Maria!

You did it. We are so proud of you and all that you have accomplished. All your efforts have been thoroughly appreciated. It has been a true blessing watching you grow into the beautiful young woman you have become. We wish you all the happiness and success with your new bright future.

We love you, Mom & Dad



Congratulations Mary!

We are so proud of you and can't wait to see where you go from here!

Love You!  
Dad, Mom, Rachel, William, Jenna, and Lauren



Congratulations Brooke!

We are so proud of you and everything you have accomplished. We love you so much and wish you the best in everything you do in life.

Love,  
Mom, Dad, Matt, and Chloe



Christopher-

We are so proud of the way you have grown into a nice young man. We have watched you grow and become more independent. All of your hard work on your academics and your accomplishments have earned you a world of opportunity. Keep up the great work ethic and follow your dreams. Love,

Mom, Dad, Emily, and Aaron



Justin-

Congratulations son, on this great accomplishment. We are all so very proud of you. As we look to your future in college, remember to shoot for the moon, and settle for the stars. Keep Jesus and your Christian beliefs a top priority, and your life will be fulfilled. God Bless you on your new journey, and remember we will always be there for you. Love Always-  
Mom, Dad, & Danny

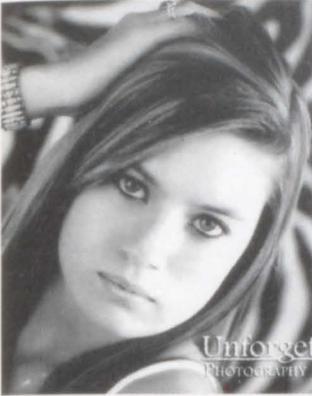
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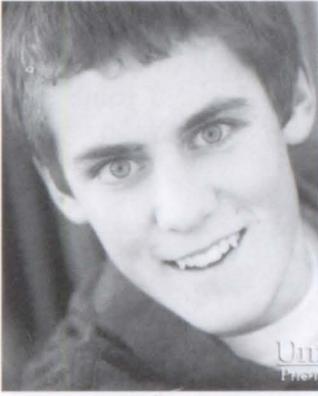
Zach,  
We are so proud of all that you have accomplished and the bright and handsome young man that you have become. Thanks for all the fond memories and all those yet to come. Follow your heart and hold true to yourself and in return may you find happiness and success along the way. Good luck in college and remember we are always here for you. Love, Dad, Mom, Justin, and Jared



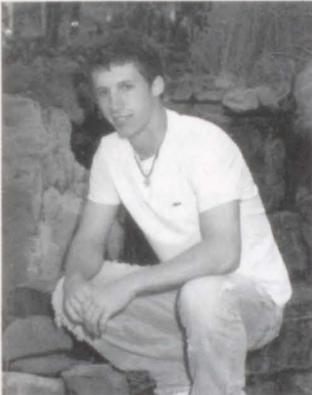
Michael,  
We are so proud of the hard-working responsible young man you have become. Stay focused, continue to work hard and you will succeed at anything you set to your mind. We look forward to celebrating your continued success as you start this next chapter in your life. We will always be here for you and we love you very much. Good luck at Mizzou!  
Love, Dad and Mom



Way to go Katie!!  
We are all so proud of you. This world would not be the same without you. You mean so much to so many people. Continue to walk with Christ in all you do and you shall accomplish all that you can dream of according His will. Col 1:10  
We Love you,  
Dad, Mom, Molly, Lydia, Jayna, Caleb, & Addy Jane



Congratulations Garrett!  
I'm just so proud of all your accomplishments, and the fine young man that you've become. It has truly been a pleasure being your mother and watching you grow up. Your sense of humor, compassion, and gusto for life, will no doubt serve you well in the years to come. I have absolutley no doubt in my mind that your future will be awesome! Good luck at Mizzou! I love you with all my heart, Mom



Congratulations on all your accomplishments-they are many!  
You have always exceeded our expectations and have made us very proud!! We wish you the best in every way as you enter the next phase of your life. Remember to believe in yourself, follow your heart & keep your faith in God. We love you and always will!! Love,  
Mom, Dad, & Lauren



Wow - our baby is graduating from High School! We enjoyed watching you become an amazing person and we are very proud of all your hard work and accomplishments. We know you will achieve all your dreams at Mizzou, we will miss you!  
  
Love You!  
Mom, Dad, Mike, & Michelle



Tay-Tay!  
For 18 years you have brought sunshine and joy to our family. To say we're proud of you would only skim the surface. Your kindness and sweetness defines you. Don't change! Keep believing in people. Keep giving more than you take! Keep loving the way you know how...completely! May God Bless you abundantly for the rest of your life!  
We love you so, so much baby girl!  
Mom & Jeff



Congratulations Marc!  
You have gone from a sweet little boy to a considerate, compassionate, caring young man. We think you are awesome. We are so very proud of you. We are confident you can succeed in whatever you do. We pray God's direction for your life as He has the BEST in store for you. In everything he did he had great success, because the Lord was with him. 1 Samuel 18:14  
Love, Dad, Mom, and Karli

## SENIOR ADS



Jessica,  
It is hard to believe that you are graduating from high school already! This is just the beginning of a great future. Your hard work and determination will take you anywhere. We are very proud of you and all that you do and can't wait to see what is to come. We love you! Love, Mom, Dad, and Troy



Congratulations Katie! As a small part of your journey ends, a much larger one begins. You are very strong willed I see you going all the way. There is nothing in life you can't have if you try hard enough. As hard as you try you will have everything you want. Way to go Katie, we are all proud of you. Love,  
Mom, Vince, and Bobby



Dustin- The past 18 years have gone by so fast! Over the years we have watched you grow into a wonderful young man. Always remember you can accomplish anything you set your mind to. Your future in the U.S. Marines promises to be a great one! Always remember how much we love you, how proud we are of you, and never forget your way home. Love,  
Mom and Dad



Jesse- What an honor it has been to watch you become the exceptional man you are. You have amazing talent, compassion and intelligence. Allow nothing to stop you from fulfilling your dreams. Dream big... they will come true! Never take for granted the gifts you have been blessed with and always remember the man in the glass. Thank you for the incredible journey...We are so proud to be called your family. It is now your time to soar! We love you. Dad, Mom and Emily



Congratulations Haylee! We have seen you grow into a beautiful young woman . Your're strong, smart and confident. Keep reaching for your dreams and we will always be here to cheer you on and love you. We are so proud of all you've accomplished. Please know that no matter where you may be or where you may go, we'll be right with you... in your heart. Keep God first in your life and may he bless you in all you do. We love you so much. Love  
Dad and Mom



Congratulations Challen!!!  
I am so proud of you and how far you have come. It has been so much fun watching you go step by step to accomplish your goals. The next and final step is watching you succeed and have fun in your journey to being what you want to become. Good Luck  
Love,  
Dad



Alex,  
Your future lies ahead with many adventures and things to experience. We look back on all your High school performances & activities knowing we'll miss them, but look forward to all your future endeavors. May you recognize and build upon your talents & dreams. Dance to the music even if it's not your favorite song. Live life to the fullest. May you be surrounded by people you love, things that make you happy, plenty of luck, and lots of success!! Life can be your stage and it's all out there for you to discover, explore, question, & embrace!! We'll be there to cheer you on. Love,  
Mom, Dad, Grant, & Grandparents



Congratulations Lauren!  
We are so proud of you and all that you have accomplished in high school. We know that you will succeed at anything you put your mind to. Your hard work and dedication continue to amaze us. Good luck at ISU! We love you!  
Dad, Mom, & Matt

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Bailey,

You are amazing! Thank you for making us smile. It has been the pleasure of our life to call you our little girl! We love you more than words can say!

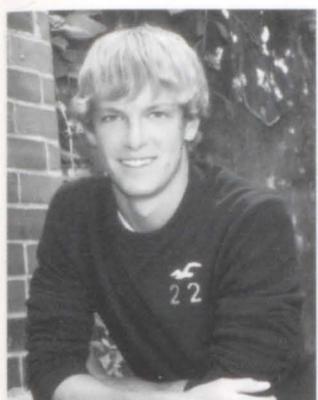
Keep Singing,  
Mom & Dad



Congrats Cami!

We are so proud of you. Good luck in everything and know that we will always be there.

Mom & Dad



Congratulations Brendan!

While it is hard for us to realize that you are graduating and moving on to college, we are so proud of you and all your accomplishments. Continue to follow your dreams, be your best in all you do, and keep the faith you have inside. Thanks for being a great son and remember that we are always here for you! Love, Mom, Dad, and Morgan



Alicia,

You have been a blessing in our lives, always good hearted, helpful and caring. Always optimistic, you have a unique blend of humor & whittiness, common sense & a sweet gentle nature around a core of inner strength. We have been so blessed with you in our lives & look forward to see what God has in store for your life as we watch the woman you are becoming.

Love, Mom and Dad



To our wonderful daughter Megan- Words can't describe how proud we are of you & all your accomplishments. You've turned into a talented, beautiful, & smart person & we know you will have a bright future. We wish you lots of happiness & success!

We love you,  
Mom, Dad, Michaela, & Cody



Congratulations Kelsey! You did it! Over the past 12 years, you have developed into a very beautiful woman, both inside and out, and we are very proud of you. With your infectious personality and your love of life, we know that you will accomplish all of your wildest dreams... especially when God is on your side. Always remember to keep your eyes on the Lord and to follow His lead, and nothing will be impossible. We love you very, very much and don't forget you have a place to call home. Love, Dad, Mom, & Alyssa



Jordan,

No matter what you do or where you wander, may life always lead you home again to those who loved you first, who loved you most. Congratulations Jordan! We are so proud of you and all you have achieved. May your future be filled with happiness and success. Good luck, God bless you!

We love you!  
Your Family



Congratulations Austin!

What an amazing year! Someone once said that good things happen to good people. You truly are one of the best. We wish you continued success, but most of all, we wish you a life filled with adventure and happiness. Thanks for letting us share the journey, enjoy your future!

We love you,  
Mom & Dad

## SENIOR ADS



Congratulations Phillip! We wish you the best that life has to offer as you move toward a new goal in your life. We are extremely proud of you and all you have accomplished. We are very proud to call you our son and will always be there for you.

We love you,  
Mom and Dad



Emily,  
For all that you've done, we are all so proud, even if you do play your music too loud. You're the light of our lives and all that we've dreamed. Though, you can be quite the drama queen! We look forward to watching you become all that you are. With all the gifts God's given you we know you'll go far. We know you'll succeed in all that you do because there's no one else created to be you!

Love,  
Mom, Dad, Jonathan and Michael



Congratulations Michelle! This moment has come so soon. I have watched you grow into an outstanding young woman who has an incredibly warm heart and I could not be prouder. I know all the changes in your life are a bit overwhelming right now. But remember as you finish the first big chapter of your life and turn the page to the next, your future is in good hands - your own. Your determination and conviction will allow you to accomplish wonderful things. Love Always, Mom



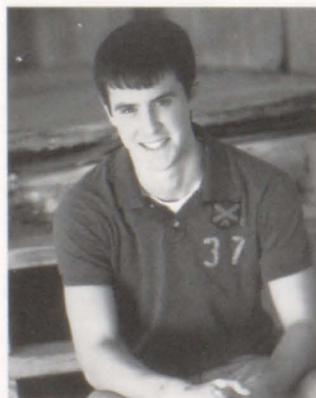
Adam, you are such a unique person, full of optimism and kindness. We are so proud of the man you've become. As this chapter of your life closes, another one is opening. There is a whole world of possibilities out there for you and whatever you choose to do, we know you'll go far! We love you so much and wish you the best of luck in your future!! Love always,  
Mom, Dad, and Becca



KayLynn, it's hard to believe our little girl is graduating from high school. The years passed so quickly, but you will always be "our sunshine!!" We know you will love your college years and be successful in anything you choose to do. We love you. Wynnie and I are very proud of you. Love your family,  
Mom, Dad, Laura, Dustin, Jeffery, Molly, & Michael



Congratulations Alyssa! You have such a rewarding journey ahead of you. Pediatrics has been your dream since you were a little girl, and now it's time to fulfill those dreams. Thanks for sharing so many wonderful memories. You are a truly amazing young woman. It is a great gift and honor having you for a daughter. God Bless you and Good luck at Semo! Love,  
Mom, Dad, Brandon, and Jordan



Jason,  
Eighteen years ago we held a tiny baby in our arms with his whole life ahead of him. A book with nothing but blank pages. Our hopes were that you would grow up to be a responsible, caring, mature, compassionate and so much more. Today you are that and so much more. Our family is proud of you and all of your accomplishments. A couple chapters have been completed but there is much more to be written. We know that it will be an exciting story with such an awesome main character. We love you and will miss you. Love,  
Mom and Dad



Ashley,  
As your high school career comes to an end it brings a tear to my eye thinking of all the wonderful memories. I hope your next chapter of life brings you as much joy and happiness as you have brought to mine. Keep your beautiful smile and your infectious laugh even when your infancies are tough. Good luck at Eastern. Have fun but not too much! We love you!  
Mom, Steve, and Jessie



Way to go Whitney!  
We are so proud of you. You have grown so much this past year. At the end of each day, reflection and appraise your accomplishments, to prepare for your next endeavors. We love you and wish you happiness & success! Go get'em!  
Mom, Dad, Jason, Cody, & Kaylee



Claire,  
We have watched you grow from a little girl, to a strong, confident, beautiful young woman. We are so proud of the person you have become. Now you are on to your next chapter in life. Your book of life will include fun, faith, friends and family. Every chapter will be an adventure and every page will be better than the last. You are the author of that book of life so dream, laugh, and love in your story of life. We love you always!  
Mom, Dad, Jesse, and Aaron



Christian,  
Congratulations!  
And good luck next year!



*Mandy, Since 1991, I've dreamed this 2010 apocalypse. Thank you for the 18 continuous streaming years of memories and uproarious laughter. Though I miss that adorable young minx from birth, I've treasured each precious annual replacement minx that came in your stead, iPod Shuffle: "Mandy", my "Tiny Dancer", "I'm Crazy for You." "I Gotta Felling" "Miss Independent" will "Live Your Life", but "My Life Would Suck Without You." "Angel" keep your "Halo", you're "Irreplaceable." "Because of You" "My Heart Will Go On." "Thanks for the Memories." "I'll be There" for you. "I hope You Dance." Love, Mommy and Troy*

In Memory of  
**Paul R. Dawson**  
Oct. 28, 1991- July 9, 2009



Yea, though I walk  
through the valley of  
the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil; for  
thou art with me; thy  
rod and thy staff they  
comfort me.





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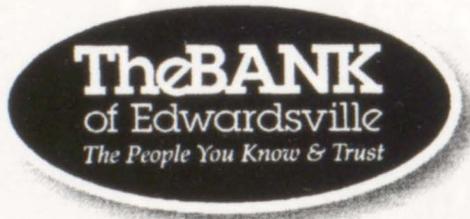


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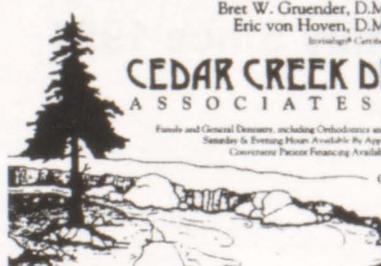
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