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Guess
by: karley broske and rileigh bent
Who?

A) Payton Cave
B) Megan Sapienza
C) Tucker Engelmann
D) Samantha Miener
E) Sailor VanLoo
F) Drew Hulvey
G) Tyler Griesbaum
H) Bailey Bircher
I) Lexi Gibbons
J) Jayla Cosgriff
K) Logan Oestriinger
L) Kate Drueke
M) Maddie Clarke
N) Kyle Schlater
O) Josh Prusha
P) Griffin Frahm

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People's Choice
Anthony Finley

MR. IRRESISTIBLE
Tyler Howard

Runner Up
Jared Schildknecht

Frederick Donini
Jack Drucke
Dietrich Gossmeier

Anthony Gant
Wesley McMillen
Nick Wiegand

Benjamin Wille
Cordes Michael
The ninth annual Mr. Irresistible Contest was held on October 10 at the Highland Elementary auditorium. The show was hosted by Mrs. Case, Mrs. Harsey, Mrs Huson and Mrs Ayer. All proceeds went towards the Drama Club. The 11 senior boys who participated, showed off their irresistible talents and qualities. Three senior girls from Triad were the guest judges. The contest started with the irresistible boys performing a dance routine to the song "Scream and Shout" by Will.I.Am. Next, each contestant showed off a talent of his choice and the boys openly bribed the judges with candy and flowers. The last portion of the contest was individual interviews.

Tyler Howard and Ben Willie fought while in dinosaur costumes and then danced to a remix of various 2000s dance songs. Howard said "Everything went as planned, and I got a better response from the crowd than I was hoping for." Willie said, "Being a dinosaur is a hot business."

1. For the first talent of the show, Anthony Finley serenaded Nick Wiegand to the song "Die A Happy" Man by Thomas Rhett.

2. As his talent, Cordes Michael read "Red Fish, Blue Fish" by Dr. Seuss to fellow senior Heather Kim.

3. Contestants Wesley McMillen, John Druke, Cordes Michael, Anthony Gant, Anthony Finley and Dietrich Gossemyer pose with the judges after the show.
King and Queen

Toby Allen, Mya Iberg, Abby Athmer, and Carson Baer

Heather Kim and Sam Laporta
Special Escort &
Special Maid

Travis Roberts, Julia Beil, Samuel Buck, Madison Fenton,
Paige Schiable, Austin Shaw, Madison Noeltner, Bryce Iberg,
Elise LaRose, and Alexander Head

Landyn Oestriinger, Grace Zobrist, Connor Sands, Karley Broske,
Trent Beard, Ashlyn Klucker, Alexis Finley, Jack Korte, Ashlen
DeLuca, Peyton Strong, Kaitlyn Feldmann, and Jack Beirermann

Holly Wrobbel and Danny Osborn
Photo Opportunity

2. Olivia Loyet, 12, and Marisa Rustaberg, 12.
3. Izzy Scaggs, 11, and Jayla Cozgrif, 11.


5. Brylee Portell, 11, Colby Davis, 11, and Jack Korte, 11.


10. Landyn Oestringer, 11, and Rachel Miller.


13. Juniors, Claire Pfeiffer and Rileigh Bent.

Sophomores, Karlie Hooten, Neveah Brown, Kylieigh Haller, Jourdyn Grieve, and Emma Ruffini pose at the fountain in Highland before dinner.

Sophomores Paige Schaible and Olivia Wilke take a picture at the square before they got on the bus for the Spaghetti Factory.

Sophomore, Jessi Weiter, said, “While getting on the bus I noticed I didn’t have my ticket, my mom had to meet me at the dance with it so that I could get in.”

Juniors, Megan Kronk, Ellie Brown, Maddison Clarke, and Ashlyn Klucker take a “tough” picture at the square. They had dinner at Joe’s Pizza in Fairview.

Seniors Eden Imming and Kelsi Dant take a picture in front of Imming’s house before dinner at Mike Shannon’s in Edwardsville. Imming said, “Senior homecoming was the best by far. I’m sad it is over.”

Sophomores Sam Meiner and Maddie Neffner stand outside the Old Spaghetti Factory in St. Louis.

Dynamic Duos

6. Juniors, Hunter Swift and Sydney Coker, take time to hug a tree before dinner.

7. Seniors, Cody Blackburn and Blake Tinsley in one of many pictures taken that day.

8. Christian Kassay, 10, and Evan Peterson, 10, took pictures at the square with the sophomore class.

Favorite Part of Homecoming

Shelby Stallard, 11

“My favorite part of homecoming was that I got to spend the day with all of my favorite people and make a lot of fun memories that will last a lifetime.”

Kara Weiss, 12

“My favorite part of homecoming was spending the evening with my friends.”

Reid Thole and Sam Buck

Thole 10, said, “My favorite part of homecoming was riding the party bus with my friends to the restaurant.” Buck 10, said, “My favorite part was when Cody Blackburn, 12, tried to do a back flip at the dance and failed.”
"Let's Glow Crazy" was the theme of homecoming. Mrs. Buchtel and Mrs. Case along with student council members planned and set up this year's homecoming coronation and dance. They worked tirelessly to make everything perfect from the beginning of August to September. The Friday before the dance, the student council spent the whole school day setting up in the gym. The dance took place on September 22 in the gymnasium. It was decked out in glowing decorations. Lighted balloons, lighted walkways, and lighted tables were just some of the decor. Doors opened at 7:30 pm. for all students and parents to watch the coronation at 8 pm. After Sam LaPorta, 12 and Heather Kim, 12 were crowned King and Queen the students filled the dance floor. The dance ended at approximately 11:30 pm.
Homecoming week was an eventful time ranging in activities from dress up days that featured holidays, cliques, and many more. The entire school also participated in an exhilarating kickball tournament resulting in a victory for the senior class. Also a tug of war competition during the homecoming pep rally resulted in a deadlock battle between the junior and senior class but after an exuberant toll the senior class remained victorious once more.

Seniors, Madison Clemons and Jordan Ames are dressed up in some sweet costumes for Twin Day.

1. The senior kickball team poses for a victory photo.

2. Senior nerds Lexi Gibbons, Brooke Wilson, and Kylie Schubel hide in the lockers from the jocks, on clique day.

by marisa rusteberg
Dress Up Days

1. Mrs. Twyford’s fourth hour strike a pose in their blackout attire.

2. Heather Kim, 12, Danny Osborn, 12, and Holly Wrobel, 12, snap a picture after the homecoming parade.

3. The force is strong between cousins, Ryan and Jordyn Schrage, 12.

4. Turkeys, Spencer Powers, 10, and Conrad Weiland, 9, strut their stuff.

Totally Twinning

Sydney Parkerson & Lily Garbett
Double trouble!

Officer Flake & Secretaries
"Bad boys, bad boys Whatcha gonna do when they come for you?" - Inner Circle

Dr. Becker & Mr. Houchins
Principals unite!

Lily Jake & Carlie Mettler
Code Blue! Crash can’t STAT!

Mae, Megan, Jennessa & Kate
These seniors are protecting the school one pizza at a time.

Jordyn Schrage
Hangs her stockings so gently with care.

Cordes Michaels
"The future’s so bright, I gotta wear shades." - Timbuk 3

Piper Myer, 10, Mackenzie Myer, 11, and Alexie Rose, 11, are making the school day a little sweeter one m&m at a time.

2. Juniors, Alexis Finley and Bree Etherton sport Christmas attire in the commons.

Juniors, Alexis Finley and Bree Etherton strut their stuff.

Seniors, Mackenzie Schoeck, Ali Kelso and Makenna Grohmann keep the commons free of crows.

Ben Wille, 12, and Alexis Miller, 11, nerdily pose for Clique Day.

Santa keeps a close eye on seniors, Eden Imming and Kelsi Dant while checking his list twice.
1. The dance team performed a routine with some of the senior boys and started the assembly off to a fun start.

2. The teacher court was led by Mrs. Case and Mrs. Buchtel. After the court was recognized, Mr. Lewis and the faculty broke into a flash dance mob.

3. Each homecoming court member had to do a dance off with their partner against the other members. The winners of the dance off were seniors, Holly Wrobbel and Danny Osbourn.

4. Football cheerleaders pumped up the students with the "Come Get It" cheer. They also performed at the football game later that evening.

5. Many of our teachers took part in a "flash mob" and danced in front of all the students to popular songs. They synchronized in some songs and in others they free styled.

6. Capturing the attention of the crowd, Mr. Lewis stole the microphone from Mrs. Case and said, "I will always be king now let's dance."

Senior Captains

Sam LaPorta, 12
"The seasons going really good so far, and we're hoping for another long playoff run and it makes it that much more special to see the school supporting us as well."

Brady Feldmann, 12
"This is a special group of guys. We are a band of brothers with one common goal, winning 15 games. No Highland team has accomplished this. It's been an incredible four years with lots of memories and success. I love this team and I am honored to be their captain."

Jack Etter, 12
"We've been playing together all our life. It's a special feeling making this run because it's been our dream since we've been seven years old. I wouldn't trade any of these guys for anything."
As homecoming week ended the school gathered in the gymnasium for the annual pep assembly on September 28. Mrs. Buchtel and Mrs. Case announced the teachers' court first. All administrators and Officer Flake volunteered to kiss a pig for the charities of their choice. Students voted by putting money in jars. Officer Flake was the big winner but all the other administrators kissed the pig too. Next, The Varsity Dance Team and the selected senior guys, performed their traditional dance in the middle of the rally. Then all the grades prepared for the tug-o-war competition. With a tough last round, the seniors came out with a win against the juniors. To get the crowd really pumped up the cheerleaders performed their "Come Get It" cheer. Next, the cheerleaders moved to their class sections and led their peers in a cheer. It was a battle but the seniors won. All the court members performed in a dance off. The winners were Danny Osborn,12 and Holly Wrobbel,12. Finally, football co-captain Sam LaPorta led the school in a rousing cheer. A few weeks later, Fox 2 News came to the school to recognize our spirit during their 6 a.m. broadcast.

7. Many of our teachers took part in a "flash mob" and danced in front of all the students to popular songs. They synchronized in some songs and in others they free styled.

8. In the effort to compete in the final round, the juniors and sophomores battle it out in the tug-o-war game. the juniors took the victory over the sophomores and moved on to the final round.

9. Mr. Becker revs up the crowd for the fun activities ahead. Later on, he passed the microphone over to Mrs. Case and Mrs. Buchtel to announce the teacher court members.

10. The football team gathers on the stage at the square after the homecoming parade. Next, the coaches and some of faculty played Minute to Win It games in front of the entire crowd.
Remember When...

HHS News:

The administration put a TV in the commons.

Homecoming dress up week wasn't by grade.

Officer Flake became the resource officer.

Fun music Friday became a tradition.

Students were no longer required to wear ID's around the neck.

by: karley broske
World News:

- The U.S. government shut down for 35 days.
- The popular app Musically became Tik Tok.
- Cardi B won her first Grammy for best rap album.
- The Patriots won their sixth Super Bowl title.

Top Three Songs

1. Without Me by: Halsey
2. Happier by: Marshmello ft. Bastille
3. Thank U, Next by: Ariana Grande

Mac Miller passed away at the age of 26.
1. Current and alumni FFA members pose in front of the Cliffs of Moher in County Clare.
3. While touring the National Stud Horse Breeding Farm, the group stopped by the Japanese Garden.
6. In Dublin, they toured an athletic club where they were taught two Gaelic games: Irish football and hurling.

2. Senior, Reese May learns how to make soda bread at Causey Farm.
5. At Causey Farm, the tour guide teaches the everyone an Irish dance.
4. After preparing the soda bread, they eat their creations with homemade jellies and jams.

7. Near the hotel in County Kerry, students walk the beach.

by marisa rusteberg
Over the summer, the Future Farmers of America Club took a trip to Ireland. The group from Highland traveled with five other FFA chapters and alumni. While in Ireland, they traveled all around the country from Dublin to small suburbs. During their travels, they learned about the agriculture in Ireland and how different it is compared to the United States. They also took tours of many farms and were taught about government involvement in the agriculture. It wasn’t all work though, they also toured historic castles and even took a carriage ride through a national park.

2. Reese May and Matt Erdman clean up after jumping into a peat bogg at Causey Farm.

3. While on the ride to their hotel, the group stopped for a picture in the mountains of County Clare.

4. As a whole, the Highland FFA chapter posed for a photo at the Cliffs of Moher with five other FFA chapters and FFA Alumni.
The Madrigal Dinner plot was all about the Traveling Kingsmen of King Marcellus, played by Dale Miller, 11, and how they handled the strong Bohemian women ruled by Queen Valeria, played by Elizabeth Huntley, 11. Some men, like Lord Chiron, played by Ian White, 12, adapted well to the women. Throughout the dinner, all of the wisemen's allies betrayed them. But thanks to Queen Valeria, Bohemia became an ally. The union was complete with the marriage of Lady Adele, played by Damaris Tambla, 12, and Lord Chiron.

Lights, Camera, Action!

Break a Leg

1. Cecelia Kustermann, 11, battles a foe in the sword fight scene during the comedy skit of the dinner.

2. Lord Chiron played by Ian White, 12, and Lady Adele played by Damaris Tambla, 12, perform the Pavane, a stately dance of the Epic Poem of Orpheus and Eurydice.

3. Tristan Maslar, 11, plays Lord Arnold and introduced himself to Lady Tabitha played by Cecelia Kustermann, 11 by placing a kiss on her hand.
What is your favorite thing about performing?

Dietrich Gossmeyer, 12
"I become completely engrossed with being my character. When I am on stage I am no longer Dietrich, I am my character."

Kelsey Tetreau, 12
"I love being a part of something that's larger than myself. It's a tradition for the Highland High choir and other students who want to be a part of the Dinner. It's also given me a few great friends that I hope to have in my future."

Vivienne Chassels, 11
"My favorite part is being able to become someone completely different than myself for even just a few hours."

A Madrigal Time
5. Cordes Michael, 12, reads off a scroll to the royalty of the treaty that has been broken by their allies.
6. Dietrich Gossmeyer, 12, Damaris Tambia, 12, Ian White, 12, Madeline Wesselmann, 12, Jayce Kustermann, 12, Makenna Grohmann, 12, Nolan Bennett, 11, and Ashley Buchmiller, 12 all sing "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" after the show is over.
7. Lord Bernard played by Cloe Altevogt, 11 kisses Lady Aria Peery, 10 on the hand to introduce her arrival to Bohemia.
8. Anthony Gant, 12 a gypsy pours wassail for Lady Tabitha played by Cecelia Kustermann, 11 for the drinking game whom later won that night.
9. Faeries Allison Peery, 12, Abby Koch, 10, and Faerie Queen Lauren Oberkfell, 11, blow their glitter out of their hands.
Twelve talented senior students committed to a variety of different colleges around the country for their chosen sport program. These programs varied from cheerleading, football, volleyball, soccer, girls and boys basketball, and track & field. HHS is very proud to have such a high number of committed athletes. We wish you all the best as you continue to participate in the sports you love at the next level.

Brady Feldmann signs to the McKendree University football program.

Claire Direcks signs to the McKendree University volleyball program.

Cody Blackburn signs to the Loras College baseball program.

Emmy Nyquist signs to the Grinnell College volleyball and basketball programs.
Jacob Willis signs to the Kaskaskia College baseball program.

Jake Kruse signs to the Illinois College basketball program.

Jaglyn Ferguson signs to the SWIC soccer program.

Kate Marti signs to the Maryville University track and field program.

Kelsi Dant signs to the McKendree University cheerleading program.

Nick Sikora signs to the Missouri S&T soccer program.

Payne Waldman signs to the Danville College baseball program.

Sam Laporta signs to the University of Iowa football program.
Student council decided to make the Spring Fling an annual event. This was the second year they decided to host it. The dance took place on March 8th and many changes were made since the original Spring Fling. Tickets were sold to students the whole week leading up to the dance on Friday. Purchasing tickets could be done during lunch periods or at the door of the dance. Tickets were seven dollars but a donation to Got Your Six Support Dogs, the price went down to four dollars. The dance took place on a Friday night from seven to eleven at night. The dance was chaperoned by several HHS teachers and Officer Flake.

1. Students dance along to the YMCA in the commons during the Spring Fling in March.

2. The commons, where the dance took place, is decorated with neon material and glow in the dark balloon on the ceiling.

Jarod Schildknecht, 12, and Max Choojirawong, 11, enjoy the evening. Max is a foreign exchange student from Thailand.
6. James Metzler, 11, and Kayla Rutz, 11, sell tickets to students during the third lunch period. Student council members sold tickets the whole week up to the dance.

7. Elizabeth Huntley, 11, helps the student council prepare for the dance by organizing the neon material before decorating.

8. Nick Hanratty, 11, Tyler Werner, 11, Easton Rosen, 10, Andrew Synder, 10, Josh Loeh, 10, Jack Geest, 10, Cameron Mortland, 10, Travis Roberts, 10, Peyton Strong, 11, Max Poston, 12, Riley Field, 12, Jack Drueke, 12, and Kaleb Fuller, 12, pose for a picture before the dance begins.


3. Students help themselves to the fountain soda machine during a dance break.

4. Mrs. Case, Mrs. Buchtel, Mrs. Sylvies, Ms. Beyer, Officer Flake, Mrs. Huson, Dr. Becker, and Mrs. Dobbles chaperone the dance.

5. Kayla Peery, 10, Dale Miller, 11, Heather Kim, 12, Peyton Strong, 11, and Haylie Gombos, 11, pose for a picture before heading to the dance floor.

by lexi gibbons and alex thies
What inspired you to become a teacher at HHS?

Mrs. Ayer
"You don't pick HHS. HHS chooses you."

Mr. Hawkins
"I was offered the job for all the right reasons and, I've always hoped that somehow I would be able to help some kid onto a better something."

Mrs. Duncan
"It was so long ago that I don't even remember, but I'm glad I'm here and it's been a lot of fun."

Be There Or B²
Mathematics

Highland High School required three math credits to graduate, but many students ended up graduating with four. These classes ranged from algebra one and two, geometry, and calculus. With each of these classes there were intermediate and honors offered. There were a total of seven teachers in the department this year including, Mrs. Kimmle, Mrs. Ayer, Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. James, Mr. Uhls and Mr. Misick.

by rileigh bent
This year in Science, the teachers were Mrs. Basden, Mrs. Buss, Mrs. Goldier, Ms. Ott, Mrs. Hirsch, Mrs. Ramsey, and Mrs. Simmions. These teachers offered Biology I, Conceptual Biology, Honors Biology, AP Biology, Chemistry I, Chemistry II, Honors Chemistry, AP Chemistry, Anatomy, Physiology, Physics, and Physical Science. At Highland High School, students were required to take at least two of these classes to graduate. Although, some students took a science credit all four years of high school. In science students learned the periodic table and performed experiments.

By: Madysen Castile
As the semester winds down, the students gather to study for the final exam in Mr. Holt's class.

Julia English (11)

"If I complete this ahead of time, I will earn bonus points," said English.

History in the Making!

by, Chandler Dugan

Partner Up

Mrs. Beyer’s seventh period class partners up for a geography assignment. Working in pairs or groups was an effective way to learn.

Past to Present

History

From past to present they cover it all. The history department covers almost all of recorded history throughout its multitude of courses available ranging from the Ancient Romans all the way to the Civil Rights Era. Mr. Bradley said, "History class gives modern society a chance to learn from past mistakes."
Why did you choose to teach English?

Mrs. Huson
"I have always loved reading, and I wanted to instill a love of reading in others. There’s always something to learn from reading a new book."

Mrs. Himsel
"I chose to teach English because I fell in love with The Great Gatsby while I was a student here at HHS. Getting to teach this book and the many others I am passionate about and having students write about them is why I love teaching."

Write it Right

English

To graduate from Highland High School, all students earned a minimum of four English credits. There were a variety of ways to earn the credits, including core, elective, and dual credit classes. The core classes were English one, two, three and four. These classes were offered at three academic levels. Other classes such as, Interpersonal Communication, Public Speaking, Literature of the Holocaust, and Creative Writing were optional electives that rounded out the curriculum.

1. Freshman, Brittani Wellen types her Digital Narrative project in Mrs. Bland's English One class.
2. Eve Sugg, 12, and Rachel Miller, 12, perform an 80's workout in Mrs. Case's Public Speaking class.
3. After reading a Steven King short story, Gabe Wiedle, 11, writes his paper using his keyword outline as a guide in Mrs. Martz's English Three class.

by karley broske
Aprender: to learn

Learning about Colombia

Andrew Koch, Mrs. Twyford’s nephew, came to present to all of her classes. He lived and taught in Colombia for an extended period of time after college.

El Dia de Los Muertos

In honor of the Day of the Dead, Mrs. Butchel and Mrs. Twyford had their classes decorate skeletons. Juniors Austin Davis, Candice Greer, Tyler Werner, and Lia Basden show off their creations.

No Hablo Ingles

Spanish

Spanish at Highland High School was an elective that was not required but highly recommended for college bound students. There were many different levels of these classes including Spanish I through Spanish IV; there were also AP classes offered. And this year, the department welcomed a new teacher Mrs. Cope.

by marisa rusteberg
What is your favorite class to teach?

Mrs. Perkes

"Photoshop Graphics is my favorite subject to teach because it allows students from all levels to be creative. Despite a student's specific career interest, the process of photo editing and graphic creation in Photoshop is an excellent technical skill to have under his or her belt."

Mrs. Heinz

"I love teaching all of the classes that I teach, but I love them for very different reasons. Mainly, I love that I get to teach kids real life responsibilities for when they get out of high school."

Let's get Down to Business

A variety of business classes were offered at HHS, such as Photoshop, Accounting, Computer Concepts, Desktop Publishing, Web Design, and Word and Power Point. Some of these classes were counted as dual credit. They were to prepare students for real life skills and to help students earn scholarships and jobs in the future. To graduate from HHS, students had to earn the consumer education credit, which included taking Economics or Personal Finance for a semester. Students learned how to handle money, balance a checkbook and analyze transactions.

by: karley broske
Good Eats
1. Enjoying a Thanksgiving feast are Mr. Houchins, Ms. Boscolo, and Mrs. Jones. The culinary class prepared the food.

Changing it up
2. Faith Brindley, 9, changes a diaper on a baby in her child development class.

Family and Consumer Science

Family and Consumer Science classes were taught by Mrs. Dawn Jones. These classes consisted of Foods and Nutrition and Culinary Occupations. Both taught students how to properly prepare food and perform kitchen sanitation. Some members from the Culinary Occupations class went to a cooking competition, where they won best dessert. Parenting, Child Development and Adult Living, taught students the daily life aspects of growing up. Each class taught valuable skills to help them advance in adulthood. Students learned how to take care of babies, cook meals, sew and iron. "I really enjoy teaching people skills that they'll use all their lives," said Mrs. Jones.
Work Hard. Play Hard.

Make Exercise Fun and Earn a Grade!

Abraham Koch, II
On the floor, Koch executes a plank position. Warm ups were an important part of the beginning and ending of every class to avoid muscle stress.

Posing for the Camera
Mr. Vance and Kady Shaw, S. pose in a running position during a “free day” in 7th hour on the gym balcony.

Kallynn Buneta, II
Buneta builds her arm muscles as she lifts weights. All students in PE have the option of working out in the weight room.

Fun Fitness
by Mady Castile

Physical Education

Highland High School offered physical education to all students freshman through senior. The school required at least two years of physical education for graduation. Students took four years if they were not in a varsity sport or if they did not take a science class both junior and senior years. The teachers were Mr. Warnecke, Mrs. Hayes, Ms. Hall, and Mr. Vance. Other requirements were a pacer test and a one mile run once a semester. Each day students began class with stretching, jogging, and then cardio or an activity. Class ended with a cool down that included more muscle stretches.

Physical Education

Seniors, Alec Kusterman and Riley Field, play a one on one game of basketball in Mr. Vance’s P.E. class.
Screw it
Starting a new unit, Garret Roth, 10 and Cameron Altgibers, 11, practice with screws and a metal plate.

Problem Solving
Given a problem, Caleb Blunt, 11, Eli Jones, 10 and Claire Korte, 10 work together to find a solution.

Favorite Part?
What was your favorite lesson this year?

Taylor Bussett, 10
My favorite part of the semester was probably when we made our cars.

Riley Stewart, 10
"When we raced the cars that we made for a project"

The Engineering Department taught by Mr. Durbin and Mr. Uhls offered a total of seven different classes, many of them involving lots of hands on work. Students could earn up to 12 college credits if they took all the courses that were offered.
What was your favorite part of class this year?

Tucker Engelmann, 10
"My favorite part about ag this year was getting to see Mrs. Barr everyday."

Lily Becker, 12
"My favorite part about ag is the teachers because they care about their students a lot and always make me laugh."

Kick the Dust Up
Agriculture

The agriculture department was taught by Mr. Schmitz, Mrs. Barr, and Mr. Jones. There were a number of courses taught in this department such as Introduction to Agriculture, Agricultural Science, BSAA, Pre-Veterinary, Agricultural Machinery, Industrial Education I and II, Welding I and II, Landscape Management, Greenhouse Management, and Horticulture. This department provided hands on experiences to help students learn life skills that could be used in college or future careers.

by rileigh bent

Senior, Jason Hasse, works on perfecting his "fillet" weld in Industrial Education with Mr. Jones. All welders must wear protective gear for safety.
After the Concert

1. Cordes Micheal, 12, poses for a picture after the Winter Concert, dressed in a Santa hat. "Happy Holidays and Happy New Year to all," said Micheal.

2. In the elementary school hall Dale Miller, 11, said, "My favorite part about choir is getting to travel around the St. Louis area singing." Here he is pictured with Heather Kim, 12, a fellow choir member.

Through the Year with the Chorus
by madysen castile

Victoria Lynn, 12

At the Winter Concert, Lynn and the rest of the chorus performed four songs. Two were a cappella and two were accompanied by the piano. The elementary school hosted the concert.

The Veteran's Day Assembly

The chorus sang "God Bless America" at the Veteran's Day Assembly in the high school gym. They sang on the risers to honor the veterans who fought for our country.

The Chorus instructor for this year's season was Mr. Gibb-Clark. Some members of the Chorus went to the Renaissance Festival in Kansas City, also known as "Ren Fest". The catagories for Chorus were Mixed Choir, Jazz Choir, and A cappella Choir. The students auditioned to be a member of the A cappella Choir and the Madrigals. All parts of the Chorus performed at the Winter and Spring Concerts. Mr. Gibb-Clark devoted his time into managing all branches of the Chorus this school year.

The Mixed Choir sings holiday songs during the annual Winter Concert at the elementary school.
Heard Throughout the Halls

Symphonic Band
This performance brought the audience to its feet.

Concert Band
After the concert both bands joined for a group picture.

In Harmony

The Highland High School band program was divided into two different bands. The concert and symphonic bands both performed multiple concerts in conjunction with each other and also accompanied the middle school concert band. Later in the year Mr. Case and his students developed a jazz band which allowed all music students to fully express the way they play and feel the music.

by: chandler dugan

During the band’s Tour de Districts, Ethan Andrews, 11, smiles and plays the drums.
What was your favorite project of the year?

Heather Kim, 12

Heather Kim, 12, was in Mrs. Wonders AP art class and her favorite project of the year was one that she named "Look Underneath".

Carly Rakers, 12

"The self portrait was my favorite assignment this year," said senior, Carly Rakers, who was in Advanced Drawing.

Painting

1. For the animal/pet project, juniors, Meckenna Scholl and Sam Hengehold, bring a cat and dog to life on canvas.

2. Sophomore, Paige Schible, adds color to a chair for her replica project.

Mrs. Wander was the only art teacher at HHS. She crammed all of her different classes between fifth and seventh hour. In the art department, a number of classes were offered, such as Advanced Drawing/Prints I, II, III, and IV, Advanced Placement Studio Art: Drawing, Art I and II, Ceramics/Sculpture I, II, III, and IV, Painting I, II, III, and IV, and Studio. Anyone, freshmen through seniors, could participate in these classes but must have met the requirements of each.

by: rileigh bent

Kate Ziegler, 11, Carly Rakers, 12, Cece Kustermann, 11, and Taylor Pinkel, 11, decorated Mrs. Wander's door as Van Gogh's Starry Night for the Christmas door decoration contest.
March to the Beat
by Bailey Essary and Karley Broske

Baylee Wetzel, 12

Receiving the first place trophy at the McKendree competition was drum major, Baylee Wetzel, 12. "The HHS marching band has become my family, and I couldn't be prouder of what we've accomplished and who I've become because of it."

Heather Kim, 12

"It was an honor to be a part of the HHS drumline and band. I've never witnessed so much growth in all four years of the high school marching band."

Marching On
Marching Band

The Highland Marching Bulldogs performed a show titled "Prismatic" for their competitive season. With three movements in the show they had music, visual elements, a vocal soloist and the colorguard performing on the field. They also participated in the varsity football pregame and halftime show. They went to competitions all over the area like, O'Fallon, McKendree, U of I Campaign campus, Belleville, and Edwardsville.
1. Jordyn Schrage, 12, at the end of the show's second movement with her flag.

2. Soloist Elizabeth Huntley, 11, sings Chandelier by Sia in the second movement.

Go For It

Spinning into First

The color guard shows that they are number one after placing first at the McKendree competition in Lebanon.

Fun Memories

Posing for a quick selfie before the homecoming parade, the girls spin Crazy in Love with the marching band behind them up.

Spinning with Bulldog Pride

Color Guard

Starting their season in early April, the color guard spent many hours preparing for their season. They, along with the band, went to band camp for a week where they practiced for eight hours a day. However, a week before band camp, they had a pre camp where they learned routines and skills to apply at band camp. Also, they performed with the band at home football games during half time. Color guard and band attended competitions together. One of them was at Mckendree College and they both received first place. It was a successful season.

The color guard performs with the marching band at half time during a home game.
Close Calls
What was your scariest moment driving?

Nathan Houk, 10
"On the second time of being on the road, a deer ran in front of me and I almost hit it."

Reese Schrage, 10
"The second week of driving, I almost backed in to two people in the Walmart parking lot."

Learning Zone
by ryan schrage

Driver's Ed

Driver's Education was taught by Mr. Elledge and was exclusive to students 15 years of age and older. This was a class all took seriously. Students had to be present for 30 hours of learning and pass a written exam in order to meet the state requirement to receive a driver's permit. After several months of driving with their parents, the students then took the Behind The Wheel program. After passing that, the last step was the state test at the DMV in Edwardsville or Greenville.

Driver's Education

Freshman, Abby Athmer, studies a section in the drivers education book before a pop quiz.
"After school one day, it was pouring rain and I was running to my car. I tripped by the trash can and my backpack which weighs literally 40 pounds flew over my head. It dragged me to the ground and I had cuts all over my hands because I tried not to hit my face on the ground."  -Peyton Seaman, 11

"The whole thing!"
-Emily Sumner, 12

"Freshman year, Cole Frey and I were pushing each other around and I bumped into the fire alarm. It went off and I actually got so scared I thought I was going to get so many detentions."
-Sam Buck, 10

"In Mrs. Ott's room I sat on a desk to talk to my friends and the desk collapsed and I fell on the ground."
-Paige Crawford, 9

"Last year, my students gave me spicy chocolate as a prank and I couldn't teach for the rest of that hour because my mouth was on fire. Also one time I came to school sick because I couldn't figure out how to get in to the sub website."
-Mr. Lewis
Clubs
Door Decorating Contest
A door decorating contest took place where many teachers tried their best to win! In the end, Mrs. Lowder took first, Mrs. Hall took second and Mrs. Golder took third.

Lending a Helping Hand
Seniors, Chandler Dugan and Ian White assemble lights while helping Student Council set up for homecoming.

Students from Student Council and Brighter Futures went shopping and wrapped gifts for the Adopt-a-Family organization this winter.

by marisa rusteberg

Going the Extra Mile

Student Council
Student Council went the extra mile while planning all of their events at the school. They put together every occasion to bring the school together as one, both for fun but also to help the community. This year, the theme for homecoming was Let's Glow Crazy and they decked out the gym in glow in the dark paint and neon balloons. Also they introduced a new event by sponsering an Adopt a Family this winter. Student Council and Bright Futures went to Edwardsville and shopped for Christmas presents that they delivered to needy families.

After working all day, James Metzler, 11, and Nicholas Hanratty, 11, admire the final product of the homecoming decorations.
World Crisis

The Model UN team was led by Mr. Holt and Mrs. Himsele. Members prepared for debates with other schools at two conferences during the school year. There was one in the fall and one in the spring. They acted as delegates from many other countries and debated over world issues, such as, immigration, maritime law, rights of indigenous peoples, global warming, and economic problems. The team prepared by doing in depth research and studying the issues on their own time from the perspective of a given country. Since they did most of their preparation for the conferences alone, they met once or twice a month as a group.
Thoughts on Scholar Bowl this year?

"It was a good season, I'm proud of the team and our sponsors, Mrs. Richardson and Mrs. Hayes."

"It was a good time, we're just here for the fun. We may lose but we still enjoyed the time spent!"

Quiz Me

The Scholar Bowl Team was led by Mrs. Richardson and Mrs. Hayes. The team met twice a week to practice for the upcoming meets, which were held once a week. During meets, with other local schools, students participated in various quiz competitions. These competitions challenged their knowledge in history, science, fine arts, mathematics, social studies, literature, and other miscellaneous categories. The team ended their season with a record of 6-18.

by rileigh bent
by: ryan schrage

Favorite Destination
What was your favorite place to visit?

Cole Diesen, 12
"The Vatican was super neat, just knowing that most of the places there haven't been touched in hundreds of years is really cool."

Marissa Rustaberg, 12
My favorite place has to be, Assisi. The city is like something you would only see in a fairytale.

The Journey
Assisi, in the Umbria region of Italy, is home to a monastery and many curious shops. During their free time, the students shopped.

Bienvenido
In Florence parents and students pose on a picturesque hill during a walking tour.

Trip To Europe
Spanish Club

Over the summer, the Spanish club took a trip to Europe, visiting historical locations in both Spain and Italy. Anyone in Spanish from the previous 2017-2018 school year was invited to attend the 13 day trip with a total of 42 students and parents.

Outside the city limits of Assisi the travelers learned the art of making pasta. Everyone got to sample what they made topped with local marinara sauce.
At the home game against Marion students sported Class Colors. Highland beat Marion.

Can you see us?
During the game against rival Triad, the theme was Camo. The bulldogs went on to win the game 44-14.

Sea of Red
For the homecoming football game, the theme was Red Out.

by: ryan schrage

Anybody for spirit?

Nick Sikora, 12
"I went to so many football games, they let me join the team."

Lexi Gibbons, 12
"I have been to every single high school football game the past four years."

D-O-G-S Let's Go Dogs

Bulldog Nation

Formerly known as Rowdy Crowd, Bulldog Nation has been around since 1986 and has the task of choosing the theme of home and away games with their main goal being to encourage school spirit. Notable themes for this year included Camo Night, Red Out, and USA Night.
At the beginning of the year the counselors, Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Lieberman, and Mrs. Spaeth selected a group of juniors and seniors to help freshmen students as well as new students. Ambassadors acted as guides at new student events such as freshman and eighth grade orientation. The ambassadors' mission was to help new students feel more comfortable with the school and community. Ambassadors also escorted new students to classes until their routines were familiar.
Some Newbies
Juniors, Tyler Werner, Nick Harraty, Sam Hendgehold, and Ethan Augustin pose together for the first time as NHS members after the September induction ceremony.

Lookin’ Professional
In coordinating outfits are Brooke Wilson, 12, and Bree Etherton, 11. Wilson said, “It is an honor to be part of this prestigious group.”

by: madysen castile
Honoring Students
Smart // Studious // Helpful

The Whole Crew
All senior and junior members of NHS gather for a picture in the commons during the induction meeting.

Cold for a Cause
NHS students and sponsors plunge into Carlyle Lake in February to raise money for Special Olympics.

National Honor Society
The National Honor Society (NHS) was a club for students who were recognized for their academic achievements and excellent character. Members of this group were required to be a junior or senior, have a GPA of 4.5 or higher, and attend all of the scheduled meetings. Another requirement was to complete hours of community service through the Special Olympics. Throughout the year, the National Honor Society had a induction meeting and hosted the annual Polar Plunge at Carlyle Lake.
Why Do You Like Art?

by: karley broske

"I like art because it's an escape without leaving anything behind. It's a way to express yourself on a canvas where time appears not to exist."

Autumn Meyer, 10

"I like art because I get to create something new that is completely my own. I get to express how I feel and be creative - it's like I'm an inventor in art."

Heather Kim, 12

The students accepted into the National Art Honor Society were those who expressed and demonstrated their talent in drawing, painting, and other forms of art. They worked all year to prepare their projects for judging. To be accepted into the program, they had to submit five pieces of their art work to a board of judges and get signatures to confirm their good standings in the community. Also, they had to write a paper on what they plan on doing with art in the future. If they were returning students, they had to do a certain amount of volunteer hours within the community. Once they completed this, four to five judges went in the room and wrote critiques on every piece. The judges scored them out of 25 points. At the end of the year they attended a banquet in Highland.
Students participate in Mr. Hawkins obstacle course during homecoming week.

Ethan Augustin, 11, catches the ball during a game of dodgeball in the gym.

Under the stadium lights, members get ready for the evenings’ race.

Club sponsor, Mr. Hawkins, talks to his fellow athletes at a bonfire in October.

FCA was the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Club. The club was sponsored by Mr. Hawkins and was led by Ethan Augustin, 11, Colby Davis, 11, Benjamin Bruchhauser, 11, Jaqlyn Ferguson, 12, Faith Prather, 11, and Jennessa Kimmle, 12. Throughout the year, they did many activities including a homecoming obstacle course and a Thanksgiving dinner. During the Christmas season, some members of FCA went Christmas caroling. Other Winter activities included ice skating at Forest Park and hosting a Winter Olympics. All FCA members also joined with other FCA groups from different schools to do these activities.
**Favorite Memory**

Nicole Knackstedt, 11

"My favorite part of FFA is going to really fun events, conferences with my friends, and all the food involved too."

Logan Rinderer, 9

"My favorite part of FFA is how much it teaches me about farming and agriculture. Also, I like how it brought me new friends with it."

/ I Believe... /

**Future Farmers of America**

The FFA organization was created to educate high school students about agriculture. They participated in many career development events. For example, they adopted a family before Christmas break and the whole school pitched in to buy and wrap gifts. However, there was a competition involved, the present had to be wrapped in either green for John Deere or red for Case tractors. Case won by a narrow margin.

They went to the National Convention in Indianapolis, IN, the State Convention in Springfield, IL, and they competed in competitions and fairs. Concluding the year, the members attended the annual FFA banquet and auction.

by: karley broske

1. The FFA members pose for a picture at the FFA plot by the school. The officers were Sentinel Dylan Litzenburg, 11, Reporter Mackenzie Meyer, 11, Secretary Dylan Kloss, 12, President Carlie Mettler, 11, Vice President Kelsey Knebel, 11, Treasurer Nora Thiem, 11, Reporter Faith Prather, 11, Historian Maddie Adolph, 11.

2. Freshmen, Britin Machuca and Brooke Landmann, participate in a trusting activity for Greenhand rush week. The two girls, one at a time, had to wear the blind fold and lead one another to the outside classroom and back to the school.
Fourth Southwest Math Conference

At the Fourth Southwest Math Conference, the team takes a picture after the competition. They brought home a second place trophy as well as individual awards.

1, Front Row: Summer Carroll, 9, Sylvie Carroll, 10, Jon Saathoff, 10, Nicole Bluhm, 9, Mackenzie Myer, 11, and Kayla Rutz, 11. Back Row: Jennessa Kimmle, 12, Hannah Jansen, 12, Anthony Gant, 12, Tristan Masler, 11, Abigail Bowers, 10, David Forys, 10, and Zachary Bluhm, 11.

Number Ninjas
by: Karley Broske

Math Team

The math team was coached by Mrs. Kimmle and Mr. James. This club was formed for students who enjoy math. The team included 24 students. At Regionals there were 10 different teams represented. Such as, Algebra One for freshmen, Geometry for sophomores, Algebra Two for juniors, Precalculus for seniors. Freshman-sophomore eight and two person teams and junior-senior eight and two person teams competed. The season started off in the fall with four competitions at the Southwest Math Conference. The coaches could only take three students from each grade level, so they had to compete against each other by taking a placement test. Most students were successful and brought home medals and ribbons. On February 23, 17 students participated in the ICTM Regional Competition at SIUE. Summer Carroll, 9, advanced to state for the Individual Algebra One Written Competition. The Two Person Frosh/Soph Team of Jon Saathoff and Summer Carroll also advanced to state at the University of Illinois on May 4, 2019.
Taking Charge

What have you learned throughout the course of FCCLA?

Abbey Casper, 12
"I think I have learned to be a better leader but more importantly I have taken a larger part in helping my community".

Jordan Ames, 12
"Through FCCLA, I have learned to work together with my peers in order to better our school and community".

FCCLA’s goal was to provide students with a sense of personal growth and leadership skills. They met once a month in the Foods room to discuss ways to get involved. Also, Mrs. Jones and their president, Karlene Rhealume organized many service projects. For example they club served breakfast to the veterans before the Veterans’ Day Assembly. They also attend an annual meeting for the Southern Illinois chapter in Springfield, IL.

Field Trip to the Capital

by marisa rusteberg

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Feeding the Veterans
3. Before the annual Veteran’s Day assembly, Karlene Rhealume, Brianna Schmerbauch, and Shelby Holzinger helped serve breakfast.

Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America

1. Brooke Rhealume, Kelly Spurlin, and Brianna Schmerbauch made Christmas cookies before winter break began.

Senior girls, Karlene Rhealume, Avery Wassler, Karli Riedemann, and Jordan Ames, show off their club float for the homecoming parade.
The yearbook staff worked throughout the year to capture every important moment. They created a main book and a spring supplement with the guidance of Mrs. Susan Martz, sponsor. Duties of the staff included taking pictures of events, getting quotes from students, and writing a copy on each page topic. Editors, Lexi Gibbons, 12, and Alex Thies, 12, chose to design this book with the theme of "The Legacy Continues", which involved pieces of Highland High School's history from the 1920's up until current time. The cover of the book was a remake of the Highland High School 1955 yearbook cover with a twist. Senior, Carly Rakers, created the artwork of the iris flowers on the endsheets which were inspired by the first page of the volume 20, 1940 Iris yearbook. The editors were inspired to choose this theme because of Dr. Chris Becker's encouragement of school culture and tradition.
Lights, Camera, Action!

Press Only
Hard at work, Grayson Price, 9, and Cameron Schultz, 9, film the Veterans Day assembly from the second floor balcony.

Club Photo
Front Row: Skylar Phenix, 9, Cameron Schultz, 9, Colton Cissell, 9, Andrew O'toole, 10, Samantha Woll, 9, Grayson Price, 9. Back Row: Mr. Durbin, Eric Trout, 9, Chase Bruce, 9, Carter Dapkus, 10, Jarret Kingsley, 11, Conneor Mortland, 12, Dillon Powell, 11, Malakai Clark, 9, and Mr. Case.

Connecting People!

Tech Club
The Highland Tech Club led by Mr. Durbin was always hard at work providing livestreaming for all of our sports events as well as videotaping the school's pep rallies and assemblies held throughout the year. Mr Durbin said, "This year was aseries of great achievements with one of the most notable achievements being the broadcasts that attracted hundreds of live viewers."
Girls Engineering Math and Science

by Madysen Castile

The Members
Back Row: Abigail Bowers, Abigail Beyer, Hannah Geest, Natalie Houk, Brooke Waggoner, Rely Stewart
Front Row: Elise LaRose, Ashley Basden, Jadan Armstrong, Ashlynn Korte, Claire Korte

The Conference
During the energy conference, members of GEMS worked together to demonstrate about how electricity is made and how it can be preserved.

The Highland High School's Girls Engineering, Math, and Science club worked on their Math and Science skills outside of the classroom. These girls participated and also served the community by hosting multiple fairs. The most well known fair was held at the end of November where they showed different types of energy. Mr. Durbin, the sponsor for the group, said, "This group of girls were fun to work with and are very intelligent."
Coming off of last year's success, the returning players were excited to begin the new season. Coached by John Criswell, the Highland Hockey Club had a total of 18 players from around the area and the JV team consisted of players from both the high school and middle school. Practices started in the winter and with limited availability for local ice rinks, as Cody Blackburn, 12 said "We made sure to take advantage of every second on the ice." The team ended their season with a record of one win, 18 losses and one tie.
Can't Check This

3. Kaiden Miles, 10, gets in position to score against Edwardsville.

4. The team huddles up to celebrate a goal against Belleville.

5. To warm up for practice, the team practices puck control at the Alton facility.


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Book Club

Mrs Huson, one of our English teachers, sponsored the drama club. This group of students met once a month to perform improvised activities and skits. They also helped out with Mr. Irresistible and other school productions. They helped back stage with the light and sound too. In April they took a field trip to the Fox Theatre in St. Louis and saw the stage production of Waitress.

Drama Club

The Future Medical Careers Club was sponsored by Ms. Propst and led by president, Kayla Eads, 12. This club’s purpose was to inform and educate students about the medical field. FMCC met once a month to discuss and research possible careers in the medical field. They also went on field trips to local hospitals. These students had the opportunity to shadow a variety of occupations within the medical field. Before Thanksgiving, they collected food to send to a needy family and they adopted a local family for Christmas.
Gay Straight Alliance

The Gay Straight Alliance club is also known as LGBTQ. This group of students was led by Mrs. Case. They meet once a month to talk about who they are as individuals. They created this group to have a educational and safe space in the school. In this group they also show respect and accept everyone for who they are as a person.

Highland Hooligans

The Highland Hooligans was led by Mrs. Houson. This group was an addition to Bulldog Nation to help pump up crowds at all athletic events. They led the student section in cheers, pump ups, and what to do or say for each score. Because they have more fan crowd experience, the group consisted of upper classmen.

Lumberjack Club

The Lumberjack club was originally founded by Greg Holthaus and his brother, Andrew. Greg had a heart condition called cardiomegaly which meant he had an enlarged heart. He succumbed to the condition in October 2013 a few months after graduation. Mr. Hawkins coached Greg in baseball. Hawkins said, "He was #34 on the HHS baseball team and was always the last one in the weight room. He was by far the most hardworking on the team; therefore in memory, the baseball program now has an award given to the most hardworking athlete each season." This year senior, Nick Wiegand, brought the club back in order to participate in the annual Mr. Irresistible contest. The club met once a month at local restaurants to eat pancakes and wear plaid. They also cut down their first tree on November 16th at the Mill Valley Lumberyard.

Chess Club

Chess club was led by a former HHS student, Nick Wise. The club met every Tuesday after school in the library. They played and practiced the mental game of chess. Although they did not go to competitions, they still enjoyed their time spent playing, learning, and meeting new chess lovers.
Trends
Throwin' it back

High-Top Converse 1950's

Hoops 1960's

Jean Jackets 1950's

Scrunchies 1980's

Flare Jeans a.k.a Bell Bottoms 1970's
Now-a-Days

Kendra Scott

Slip-on Vans

Patagonia

Chains

Hey Dudes

Air Force Ones

Air Pods

Camo Pants

by rileigh bent
Cross Country

With practices starting in early June and the season starting in August, the boys and girls Cross Country teams had countless hours of running under their belts. Practices included stretching, long distance runs across town and the occasional set of sprints. The boys Cross Country team had two all conference runners. While the girls Cross Country team won conference and for the sixth time in school history qualified for state.

Boys Going the Distance

With only ten boys on the team and no seniors, Cross Country runner Easton Rosen, 10, said "I am excited to be able to run with the same group of guys next year".

Coach Bradley said "The boys team had some tough luck yesterday, but a good offseason could help them get on the right path to success in 2019."

Run, Run, Bulldogs

3. The cross country girls mid way through the meet that would eventually determine the girls team as MVC Champions.
4. Captains Sam Henghold (11) and Kate Marti (12) turn a corner at the Triad meet.
5. Runners are all smiles on the bus to the meet.

One hill of a sport.

1. Nick Hennelly 11, Briley Portell 11, and Easton Rosen 10 sit down after an exhausting run.
2. The boys Cross Country team throw up “W signs” as they cross the finish line.
The Girls in Victory Lane

As all of the girls could attest, the work was hard and practices were long, but as Jessica Borror, 10, said "It was all worth it."

The ladies placed 21st as a team at state, making them one of the best Highland Cross Country teams in school history.

by ryan schrage
The Girls Golf team had a year full of fun, laughter and exceptional sportsmanship. Ashley Hemann, a former HHS golfer, coached the girls for the first time this year and led them through the season. On September 11 the girls combined with the boys golf team in their very first boy/girl scramble tournament. Together they placed fourth with a score of 299. Audrey Wilke, 12, and Evan Sutton, 10, led their teams to success by placing second overall. Wilke was sent to the state championship after scoring a low 81 at sectionals. She then ended her season at day one of state in 45th place. Varsity ended their season with a 15-6 record, JV ended their season with a record of 15-6.

Let's Par Tee

Girls Golf

1. Lia Basden, 11, and Claire Korte, 11, enjoy the nice weather on the HCC course.

2. Coach Hemann, Geena Budwell, 12, Kennedy Klucker, 12, Hally Armistead, 10, Audrey Wilke, 12, Maddie Noeltner, 10, Alexa Padak, 11, Avery Padak, 11, Barbara Meguire, 10, Meridith Keinmann, 11, Hannah Wilkeanull, 10, (mystery) Lia Basden, 11, Analey Lelm, 9, and Claire Korte, 10.

3. Coach Hemann, Audrey Wilkie, 12, Geena Budwell, 12, Lia Basden, 11, Meridith Kleinmann, 11, and Claire Korte, 10.

4. Audrey Wilke, 12, posing for a picture at state where she shot a 88 on the first day.

by rileigh bent
9. Jacob Braun, Claire Korte, Meridith Kleinmann, Lia Basden, and Clayton Mallard are on their way to the boys/girls scramble tournament at Tamarak.

10. Seniors Audrey Wilke, Geena Budwell, and Kennedy Klucker pose for a picture after the Acorns match.

13. Audrey Wilke, and Geena Budwell after the MVC tournament. Audrey placed 2nd overall and Geena placed 12th overall.

5. Juniors Lia Basden, Avery Padak, Meridith Kleinmann and Alexa Padak get a picture with Claire Korte, after the banquet at HCC.

6. Meridith Kleinmann, puts her ball into the hole during a match at home.

7. Claire Korte, swings for a long drive down to the hole.

8. Audrey Wilke, Kennedy Klucker, Claire Korte, Meridith Kleinmann, Lia Baden, And Geena Budwell.
Boys' Golf

The final banquet was at Highland Country Club. Chase Noeltner, 9, Garret Berolatti, 9, Bryce Knackstedt, 9, Logan Oestriinger, 9, and Ben Cramer, 9, stand with their letters and awards.

1. Clayton Mallard, 10, swings his first shot at the Carbondale Tournament. Later that day the team moved to fifth place overall.

2. Ethan Fenton, 12, and Brylee Portell, 11, watch other players tee off at a home match.

3. Reid Koshior, 10, follows through on his swing at Breese and later scored a 47 for the match.

Sophomore Jake Brauns carries his clubs to the green on number nine.

1. During the Co-Ed tournament game, the best scores were Evan Sutton, 10, and Audrey Wilke, 12, both scoring a 65.

2. Bryce Knackstedt, 9, tees off on number one hole at HCC. He scored a 49 overall that day.
1. Teeing off on number two hole at HCC is senior Tyler Howard. He shot a 46 at the senior night match at the Highland Country Club.

2. Jake Brauns, 10, Jaxton Black, 10, Reid Koshior, 10, Clayton Mallard, 10, Ethan Fenton, 12, and Evan Sutton, 10, all pose for a picture after they beat their regular season record.

3. Front Row: Garrett Berolatti, 9, Logan Oestriinger, 9, Bryce Knackstedt, 9, Reid Koshior, 10, Cody Howard, 10, and Clayton Mallard, 10 Middle Row: Connor Miller, 9, Drew Wellen, 9, Jaxton Black, 10, Ben Cramer, 9, Chase Noeltner, 9, and Evan Sutton, 10, Back Row: Coach Jeff Brauns, Jake Brauns, 10, Ethan Fenton, 12, Tyler Howard, 12, Connor Reinarman, 10, Mason Gaddis, 10 and Coach Brent James.

The boys' golf team was led by Coaches Brent James and Jeff Brauns. The overall team record was 7-9 for the season. In the MVC conference the team placed second out of six teams. They even went as far as regionals, in Jacksonville, where they placed fourth. Coach Brent James said, "This season we had five varsity spots to fill, so we played five sophomores at every varsity event and so we didn't have much experience going into this season, which was difficult. However, they really stepped it up with their competitiveness and they really made an effort this season. We had five varsity guys, Evan Sutton, 10, Jake Brauns, 10, Clayton Mallard, 10, Reid Koshior, 10, and Jaxton Black, 10, who played in the sectional regions. Evan Sutton, 10, and Clayton Mallard, 10, were strokes away from making state."

by: bailey essary
Serving Up Wins

1. The team huddles for a pep talk during their championship game against O'Fallon, which led the way to a win.
2. Sophomores, Isabella Laporta, Lexie Korte, Kirsten Taylor, Delanie Wutzler, Chloe Marti, Olivia Wilke, Taylor Kesner, and Jenna Fenton pose at the end of the season banquet.
3. Olivia Wilke, 10, bumps the ball over the net at an away game against Belleville East. The game ended in a loss.

Defending home

8. Before a home match with Breese, Kirsten Taylor, 10, and Delanie Wutzler, 10, warm up with a handshake.

9. Reagan Crask, 11, and Taylor Kesner, 10, block the ball while Kristen Taylor, 10, stands in position ready to defend against Waterloo.

Teamwork

6. Regan Crask, 11, and Taylor Kesner, 10, successfully block the ball from coming over the net in the O'Fallon tournament.
7. Tess Korte, 11, watches the ball go over the net after a setting pass at the Belleville East match.

Setting the Score

4. In the Wesclin Invitational Tournament, Ashley Knackstedt, 11, helps the team advance by setting the ball during a play against Jerseyville.
5. Anne Beckemeyer, 10, prepares for a spike from Ashley Knackstedt, 11, set in the match against O'Fallon. The game resulted in a loss.

Chloe Marti, 10
"My favorite memories from this season were all of the bus rides home after winning a game. It was always so fun to sing and celebrate with the girls."

Olivia Wilke, 10
"My favorite part of the season was all of the tournaments because of all the good buffets of food we would get."
Tess Korte, 11
"My favorite part was when we'd bark on three when we would win. Overall, we were always excelling and improving as a team."

Coached by Kristen Torre, the JV volleyball girls played a total of 29 games with 23 wins, one tie, and five losses during the season. The team held practices twice a week during the summer leading up to the season, then began practicing every day after school for an hour and a half. Coach Torre said, "The girls had a great season. They grew as a team and worked well together during every practice and each match. I was really proud to lead them in their success this year."
Jump, Set, Spike

1. Sydney Coker, 11, and Lexi Taylor, 12, block the other team from spiking the ball.
2. Claire Deircks, 12, Megan Ramsey, 12, Sydney Coker, 11, Taylor Kesner, 10, Bella LaPorta, 10, Megan Vidmar, 11, Jennessa Kimmie, 12, Emmy Nyquist, 12, and Reagan Crask, 11, get ice cream to celebrate their third place win at the Belleville East summer tournament.
3. The girls huddle between plays at an away game against Centralia.
4. The team cheers after scoring the last point to win the game against Mascoutah.
5. Abigail Beyer, 12, Alexis Taylor, 12, Sydney Coker, 11, Megan Ramsey, 12, Claire Deircks, 12, Bella LaPorta, 10, Megan Vidmar, 11, Ashley Knackstead, 11, Chloe Marti, 10, Kirsten Taylor, 10, Emmy Nyquist, 12, after going 4-1 at the OTHS Summer Bash Tournament.
6. Juniors, Megan Vidmar, Tess Korte, and Ashley Knackstead recreate a picture from their sophomore year as they prepare for their third year together.
7. The team huddles before dominating the game against Waterloo at Waterloo High School.
8. Coach Hagarty congratulates the girls after scoring against Granite City.

Senior Leaders

9. Seniors, Megan Ramsey and Claire Diericks, break up the team huddle before an away game against Civic memorial.
Katelyn Hagarty coached the varsity volleyball team to victory this year. These girls started practicing in August to prepare for the upcoming season. Their first game took place at Belleville East, where they won with a score of 2-0. It wasn't until their tenth game against Collinsville at home, when they had their first loss. As their season continued they won the title Mississippi Valley Conference (MVC) champs. Claire Diercks, 12, set the record for 120 career service aces and Emmy Nyquist, 12, for 1,411 career digs. The team’s final record was 33-3-0.

Served You Right

Varsity Volleyball

11. Seniors, Jenessa Kimmle, Claire Diercks, Megan Ramsey, Alexis Taylor, and Emmy Nyquist pose at the Jerseyville regional tournament.

12. Front Row: Megan Vidmar, 11, Jenessa Kimmle, 12, Emmy Nyquist, 12, Tess Korte, 11, Ashley Knackstead, 11, Back Row: Bella LaPorta, 10, Claire Deirsks, 12, Sydney Coker, 11, Megan Ramsey, 12, Alexis Taylor, 12, and Taylor Kesner, 10, pose with their trophy from the Carbondale preview tournament.
JV Boys Soccer finished their season with a record of seven wins and eight losses. Throughout the summer the boys had two practices a week and the official season started in August. They competed in the JV tournament in Greenville and won first place. Head coach Jake Stieb said, "The JV team is exciting and a great group of young men. This group will do really big things in the future. I'm excited to see how they grow." Assistant coaches were Brian Lammers and Josh Oswald.
3. Travis Roberts, 10, and Kenneth Foxworthy, 9, prepare for a Jerseyville counter play.
4. Attempting to score a goal, Travis Roberts, 10, sends the ball down the field.
5. Freshman, Chase Korte, watches the field for an opportunity to score a goal.
6. At an away game, striker Kenneth Foxworthy, 10, waits for the ball.
7. Owen Morris, 9, kicks the ball into the goal and scores against the Jerseyville Panthers.

8. Cameron Mortland, 9, runs to a Jerseyville player to get the ball.
9. While facing Jerseyville, Skylar Henghold, 10, hits the dirt to get the ball.

10. Sophomore, Joshua Loeb takes the ball past the Jerseyville defense.
11. Freshman, Owen Morris, collides with a Triad player to take possession of the ball.
The phrase “work hard, play hard” applies to this group of boys. With 23 yellow cards and plenty of injuries, the boys left their heart on the field while playing. With a record of eight wins and 13 losses the boys season fell short of their expectations, but they achieved individually with Nick Sikora getting first team all conference and Evan Dapkus, Dylan Bargetzi, and Austin Roach earning second team all conference.

Taking A Shot

Varsity Boys Soccer

7. After winning their first home game the boys thank the fans for all their support.

8. Riley Field, 12, punts the ball towards midfield.

9. During the Collinsville game, Zachary Linhart, 12, dashes up the field.

10. Brandon Canterberry, 10, goes for a header at the Triad game.
Wesley McMillen, 12, volleys the ball into the net at the Waterloo game.

Nick Sikora, 12, goes for a header during the Jerseyville game.

Kicking & Screaming

3. At senior night, Alec Kuestermann, 12, takes a shot from 15 yards out.

4. During the Civic Memorial game Isaac Winter, 12, crosses the ball up the field.

5. Josh Loeh, 10, dribbles around Jerseyville midfielder.

6. At the Civic Memorial game, Jack Dreuke, 12, cuts right and prepares to shoot.

Defender Evan Dapkus, 12, passes the ball up the field.

Jack Ruffini, 12, "megs" a Collinsville defender.
Varsity Girls Tennis was coached by Matt Pellock and Brenda Plocher. While the team had no seniors, it consisted of eight freshmen, five sophomores, and nine juniors. The team went on to have a successful season ending with a 12 to 6 record, earning second place in the MVC tournament, and winning the class 1A Sectional. Impressively, Ashley Basden, 11, Ashlen DeLuca, 11, Kate Feldmann, 11, and Taylor Fleming, 11, went to the State Tournament in Chicago, IL and they all competed in singles. While the other three girls didn't place Taylor Fleming, 11, got All State for the singles competition, Coach Plocher said, "This year has been a special year in a variety of good ways."

**You Got Served**

**Coach Quotes:**

"We had a great group of high character girls, who always raised their level of tennis when we needed them the most."

**Matt Pellock**

"We continue to grow in numbers and talent. The girls placed second in the conference, won the Sectional Tournament for the second year in a row, and four girls (Taylor Fleming, Kate Feldmann, Ashley Basden, and Ashlen DeLuca) made it to the state tournament and performed well. It is great to get to be part of the fun working with the girls and watching their progress from the beginning of the season to the end. I am really looking forward to what they will accomplish next year since we had no seniors on the team!"

**Brenda Plocher**

"My favorite memory was when my doubles partner and I won third place for our bracket in the MVC tournament."

**Girls Tennis**

1. Presenting the new hardware, coach Plocher, Kate Feldmann, 11, Taylor Fleming, 11, and Coach Pellock smile for a picture after being announced the 1A Sectional Champions.

2. Trying to stay warm, Taylor Fleming, 11, Ashley Basden, 11, Hannah Geest, 10, Coach Plocher, Krista Rittenhouse, 9, Sydney Basler, 10, Brianna Helm, 10, Kate Feldmann, 11, Ashlen DeLuca, 11, and Nicole Knackstedt, 11, anxiously wait for the state tournament to start. Taylor Fleming ended up getting All State in singles.

by karley broske
Taylor Fleming, 11
"My favorite memory from this season is when we won Sectionals for the second year in a row."

Ashley Basden, 11
"My favorite memory was when the team won the 1A Sectional."

It's All About the Love
Tennis Fun

5. Before playing their home game against Collinsville, Mackenzie Myer, 11, Brianna Helm, 10, pose in front of the court. The girls came out with a win against Collinsville.

6. Juniors, Maddie Clarke and Payton Wernle before their home match against Mt, Vernon. The Bulldogs took the win.

3. Excited for their first home match against Waterloo, Jenna Fenton, 10, and Sydney Basler, 10, smile at the net. They came out with a win against Waterloo.

4. Taking a timeout from the homecoming parade are, Gracy Levin, 9, Katie Augustin, 9, and Bradley McKinney, 9. Afterwards, they threw candy to the crowds along the parade route.

7. Staying one step ahead, Jenna Fenton, 10, returns the ball to her opponent from from Mascoutah. Jenna went on to win her singles match at the Edwardsville Tournament.

8. Deep in concentration Maddie Clarke, 11, and Brianna Helm, 10, stand ready for their opponent to serve the ball at a home game against Alton. They continued to play successfully together and won their doubles match.
Friday Night Lights

1. The girls perform their "Who's gonna win this game tonight?" cheer at the Belleville East game.

2. At the Belleville East game, they huddle up before their pump up prior to kick off.

4. Front Row: Sailor VanLoo 12, Catlyn Thomas ,12, Olivia Loyet ,12, Kelsi Dant ,12, Kara Weiss ,12, Back Row: Mya Iberg ,9, Allison Reiling ,9. Nevaeh Brown ,10, Bailey Bircher ,10, Molly Barry ,11, Savannah Graham ,10, Reah Fowler ,9, Elise Forys ,9, and Brianna Ripperda ,10.

6. The team uses poms to show off the football team's eighth win after the home game against Mascoutah.

3. Molly Barry ,11, Bailey Bircher ,10, and Nevaeh Brown ,10, laugh off the field after the school song played.

7. The team shows off their 11th win at a home game.

8. Ansley Thurmond ,9, and Bailey Bircher ,10, pose at a home game between quarters.

10. Three of the flyers cheer towards the crowd before kick off.

Fun Memories

9. Seniors, Sailor Vanloo, Alexis Banks, Olivia Loyet, Catlyn Thomas, Kelsi Dant, and Kara Weis rest up before the game on the big banner that the boys run through.
The football cheerleaders were led by Casey Driemeyer in her last year of coaching. Coach said, "It's been a wonderful ride as head coach. This year's team fulfilled every challenge I put in front of them. I'm so grateful for their love for one another, their school spirit, and dedication to each aspect of Highland Cheerleading. Football cheer has always been thought of as the not as serious but "fun" team. This team and these girls made it more than fun, they made it family. I'm humbled by this group of talented young ladies and I know that each and every one of them enjoyed cheering on the boys of Highland Football. It may be my last year as head coach, but the years I spent here and this team has made it my favorite #ywgt." They performed for both the jv and varsity football teams. The squad cheered at all home and away games. They also cheered at the varsity boys soccer game on senior night and participated in the Fox 2 News pep assembly.

Football Cheer

11. Seniors, Kelsi Dant, Alexis Banks, Kara Weiss, Catlyn Thomas, Sailor VanLoo, and Olivia Loyet, take a picture on senior night with their senior sashes. Catlyn said "I've done this for four years and this was the best year by far. We are family and I'm glad that I could spend my last year with this great group of girls".

12. The team take a group shot at the Bellville West game, before a victory.
The boys junior varsity football team consisted of 27 players this year. The team was coached by Austin Welz, Colby Rielson, and Chance Zobrist. They traveled to Illinois College in Jacksonville this summer along with the varsity players to improve their technique and build endurance. Following camp, they had regular practices almost every day in the summer. When fall came around, the sophomores practiced four days a week and then dressed for the varsity game on Friday. Their games were on Thursdays and Saturdays.

Austin Welz, one of the JV football coaches said, "The boys did a great job in preparation, attitude, and effort in working hard to achieve their goals. It was a fun group of guys to be around and to coach. The team's best moment was when they won a do or die hail Mary against Civic Memorial. They were all proud in this moment."
At the last away game in Mt. Vernon the team celebrates as they leave the field.

Having Fun on the Field

Alim Deva, 10, said, "This year went great! Everyone tried their hardest and everyone wanted to win every game. We ended up with a good record, 7-2."

By: Madysen Castile
Fear the Dog

1. Sam Laporta, 12, jumps to catch the football while playing Rich Central for the first play off game. Highland ended up winning 61-21.

2. At the Mattoon play off game, sophomores Kaden Miles, Sam Buck and Reid Thole wear teal to support a team member's mother who is fighting cancer.

3. Senior, Dylan Apken patiently awaits the next play at a home game against our old rival, Triad. Highland defeated them.

4. The defensive line sets up for a home game against Charleston. This was another win for the bulldogs.

5. Jake Kruse, 12, intercepts the ball in the second play off game against Mattoon. Highland won and went on to the next play off game.

6. Hunter Swift, 11, kicks a field goal after Highland scored a touchdown at the Waterloo away game. We beat the Waterloo Bulldogs.

7. Jack Etter, 12, winds up to throw the ball to his teammate at the homecoming game against Civic Memorial. Highland won against CM.

8. Braden Feldmenn, 12, and Connor Sands, 11, celebrate after they score a touchdown at the Rich Central playoff game. Highland won and went on to the next play off game the following week.
9. Brayton Moss, 12, leads the team out on the field for their first playoff game of the season.

10. The Varsity Football team huddles in the middle of the field before their first play off game of the season.

11. Front Row: Drew Hulvey, 12, Brady Feldmann, 12, Brayton Moss, 12, and Jack Etter, 12, Back Row: Mitchell Focht, 12, Sam LaPorta, 12, Jake Kruse, 12, Jacob Willis, 12, and Sam Buck, 10, pose for a picture before the scrimmage at the Gatorade game.

At the start of the 2018 school year, everybody was already talking about the Friday Night Lights that were soon to come. After countless nights of football their record was 11-1, ending at Joliet with a 55-21 loss. The Varsity Football team exceeded all expectations from their coaches. Coach Warnecke said "This team was a legitimate state championship contender. As a collective group we believed and bought into the goal of winning a state championship. Although we stumbled short of our ultimate goal, we competed at the highest level to the final snap. The seniors left their mark accomplishing an unprecedented threepeat as MVC Champions and winning more career games than any class in school history."

Refuse to Lose

Varsity Football

9. Brayton Moss, 12, leads the team out on the field for their first playoff game of the season.
Winter Sports
1. During a local match, Delaney Grimes, 12, sends the ball down the lane.

2. Steven Reinacher, 10, watches his ball speed down the lane at local bowling alley Poplar Junction Bowl.

3. At Highland, Austin Roach, 11, finishes his fourth frame with a strike.

4. Lucas Hollenkamp, 11, rolls the ball down the alley in a match against Mascoutah.

5. Molly Marshall, 10, practices for an upcoming tournament at home.

6. During a tournament, Connor Barton, 11, bowls a split.


9. "I was proud of myself for averaging 600 for one of our series."

10. "Setting my personal best and almost getting a 300 was the highlight of my season."

11. "Watching Trey Leitschuh almost break the school record and then the last frame as only 5 pins."

by bailey essary and ryan schrage
The Bowling team was coached by Mrs. Wander and Mrs. Schrumpf and was split into two teams, the boys' team and the girls' team. The boys went to regionals and placed fifth overall. Austin Roach, 11, Austin Davis, 11, Steven Reinacher, 10, and Hunter Hediger, 9, all made it to sectionals with Austin Davis, 11, finishing in 8th place. The girls were 9-1. They finished second at regionals and attended sectionals.
The boys' wrestling team was coached by Terry "Shorty" Ohren and Jason Basso. The season started in November, with practices every day but Sunday for two hours. The boys were diligent at practices and all maintained getting to their weights all season. They went to local schools in our conference to wrestle, including Triad, Civic Memorial, O'Fallon, Mascoutah, Carbondale, Carlye and Roxana. For regionals, in Jerseyville, Devin Wills, 12, Colton Brown, 12, Alex Reed, 11, and Tanner Schranz, 10 participated. Colton Brown, 12, and Devin Wills, 12, won their matches. The winners both qualified for state.
5. Alex Reed, 11, locks up for a throw of a Carlye opponent at home and wins.
6. Ben Mitchell, 9, goes for a take down and wins the match. He went on the road for regionals.
7. Colby Davis, 11, does an arm bar on a Civic Memorial opponent at an away match he later won.
8. Colton Brown, 12, performs a "chicken wing" move on a Mascoutah teammate at the Jerseyville Regionals.
9. Devin Wills, 12, stands in wrestling stance before he took down a Civic Memorial opponent at the Jerseyville Regionals. Later on, he went into overtime and won the match.

Wrestling

Eye of the Tiger

10. Ben Mitchell, 9, locks up a pinning combination at home against Carlye.
11. Alex Reed, 11, on bottom to start second period.
12. Colton Brown, 12, gets ready to start first period of a match against Carlye that he won.
13. Alex Reed, 11, puts Carlye in a cradle in a close match that he won.
14. Colby Davis, 11, and Garret Metz, 11, flip the coin to figure out even or odds for the weight class.
The JV Girls Basketball team was coached by Brett Pollard, Austin Welz and Clint Hamilton. The girls practiced six days a week to result in a successful year. They played a total of 15 games. The team ranged from freshmen to juniors. Coach Pollard said, "The girls had a very successful year. They had great energy and attitudes." Their record was 25-8.

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Abby Huelsman, 9, dribbles the ball away from the opposing team.

Krista Rittenhouse, 9, makes a winning shot at a Triad away game.

Maddie Clarke, 11, goes in for a shot at their game against Triad High School.

Olivia Wilke, 10, dribbles the ball towards the guest side of the Triad court.

Mady Fenton, 10, plays defense towards a Triad player at a Triad away game.

"My favorite memory is when I tripped and fell by the student section."

"Best memory this year was all the UNLV's we had to run. Thanks Coaches."
The JV girls play offense while Maddie Clarke, 11, takes a two point shot on Murphysboro.

Triad- W
Jerseyville- L
Waterloo- W
Centrailia- W
Mater Dei- L
Civic Memorial- L
Central- W
Mascoutah- W
Civic Memorial- W
Triad- W
Collinsville- W
Jerseyville- W
Waterloo- W
Mascoutah- W
Murphysboro- W

Mady Fenton (10)
"My favorite part of the season was playing basketball with some of my closest friends and ending the season well."

Liv Wilke, 10, passes the ball to one of her teammates at the tournament.

Lydia Hadowsky, 9, makes a two point shot at the tournament against Triad.

The Girls' Varsity Basketball Team, had Clint Hamilton, Brett Pollard, and Austin Welz coaching their season. The team went as far as the Regional Championships, but lost by six points. The Lady Bulldogs started their season at the end of October with two hour practices. Many of the girls felt that they worked very hard to achieve where they got and that they were a group that also had fun as they trained. Early in the season, Megan Kronk, 11, Emmy Nyquist, 12, and Kirsten Taylor, 10, all competed in the three point contest. Nyquist advanced to state and placed second overall. The other two girls made it as far as sectionals. Assistant Coach Welz said, "The girls played and practiced really hard this season, it was a lot of fun working with them and seeing them go as far as they did."
Court is in Session
10. Kirtsen Taylor, 10, Emmy Nyquist, 12, and Megan Kronk, 11, pose for a picture after the three point contest at Salem.
11. Ashlyn Klucker, 11, gets ready to shoot a layup at a home game with Triad.
12. Ellie Brown, 11, gets ready to shoot the ball at an away game where the lady bulldogs snapped Edwardsville's 93 home winning streak.

5. Megan Kronk, 11, dribbles the ball across the court in a home game against Civic Memorial. The team lost by just two points later that night.
6. Taylor Kesner, 10, tries to block a pass to the Civic Memorial players at a losing away game.
7. The whole team takes a picture in victory after they place First at the Salem Tournament.
8. Megan Kronk, 11, and Ashlyn Klucker, 11, play defense against a Triad player at a home game they lost.
9. Ellie Brown, 11, looks to pass the ball to Emmy Nyquist, 12, at an away game at Triad.

Ellie Brown, 11
"I had so much fun playing with my teammates this year, I cannot wait till next season."
Ashlyn Klucker, 11
"The season was really fun and I am really looking forward to next season."

Girls' Varsity Basketball
No Dogs Down

1. Freshmen, Mya Iberg, Allison Rieling, Brittni Wellen, Ansley Thurman, Rhea Fowler, Kady Shaw, and Morgan Flesh pose for a picture during the cheer IHSA dinner.

2. Megan Griesbomb, 12, Alex Thies, 12, Carly Rakers, 12, Lexi Gibbons, 12, and Kamy Diaber, 11, are recognized at the MVC conference competition for their honorable cheer and academic skills.

3. Sophomores Karlie Hooten and Emma Ruffini pose back to back after a 1st place award at the Edwardsville Regional.

Juniors, Kamy Diaber, Karley Broske, Rileigh Bent, and Madysen Castile pose for a picture while holding hands after their IHSA routine. The team made the top ten and moved on to day two.

The Memories

4. Rileigh Bent, 11, strikes her ending pose after performing their routine at a half time home basketball game. The team left for state the next Thursday night.

5. Flyers, Morgan Flesh, 9, Rileigh Bent, 11, Emma Ruffini, 10, and Madysen Castile, 11, pull a heel stretch after their 360 stunt.

Madysen Castile, 11, pulls a scale during one of the team's floor cheers at a home game.
6. The girls end their performance with their mount at Highland Regional. They ended up in first place for the medium division.

7. Seniors, Carly Rakers, Megan Griesbaum, Alex Thies, and Lexi Gibbons pose for a picture in their game uniforms at a basketball game at Triad.

8. The cheerleaders enjoyed sheer camp at Starved Rock State Park.

9. The team huddles up on day two of IHSA before performing for the last time together. The team was proud of the routine they put on the floor.

This was Angie Fears's ninth year coaching the varsity cheer team and she lead them through yet another successful season. The team competed in their first ever Mississippi Valley Conference competition and took home the title of MVC champions. The girls took first place a total of five times during their competitive season, this included the Waterloo Invitational, Highland Invitational, Edwardsville Invitational, MVC, and the Mater Dei Invitational. During their first competition of the year, they qualified for the ICCA State Championship where they placed fourth overall. Near the end of their season they went to the Edwardsville IHSA sectional where they placed third and qualified for IHSA State in Bloomington. While in Bloomington, the girls placed sixth on day one and were the only southern team to advance onto day two. There the team received ninth place out of 90 teams in the state.

by rileigh bent, karley broske, and madysen castile
The team this year consisted of four girls, Shelby Stallard, 11, Lily Jakel, 11, Jessie Wieter, 10, and Riley Stewart, 10. They were coached by Cassie Elliot, who was also the coach for the previous year. The JV team practiced almost every day after school for two hours to perfect their routines. They competed with two dances including their Jazz dance called, "Take Another Piece of My Heart," and their Lyrical dance, "Stand By Me." They performed a pom routine for most of the JV basketball half-time performances. In March they went to the IDTA Finals in Springfield where the team received first and second place trophies.
Trophy Count:
Belleville East: 1st in Jazz
Belleville East: 1st in Lyrical
Edwardsville: 1st in Jazz
Edwardsville: 1st in Lyrical
Highland: 1st in Jazz
Highland: 1st in Lyrical
State:
Springfield: 1st in Lyrical
Springfield: 2nd in Jazz

At the Highland regional, the girls perform their jazz routine, "Take Another Piece of my Heart." They took first place in both Jazz and Lyrical in their division.

Dance, Dance, Dance

by: madysen castile

At the JDTA in Springfield, the team winds up and they head to their final performance.

The girls do a kick for a memorable picture after awards at Edwardsville.

Juniors, Shelby Stallard and Lily Jakel, and Sophomores, Jessie Wieter and Riley Stewert, pose in the locker room before going on the floor to perform their jazz dance, "Take Another Piece of My Heart."
**Dancing Away**

1. Bree Etherton holds the first carb party of the season at her house to get ready for competition the following day.

2. On the HHS bus, the team leaves school early on Thursday for IHSA state finals in Bloomington IL.

4. At the boys basketball game against Triad, the girls perform their jazz routine for the last time.

6. In Bloomington, the team poses before going out to their good luck dinner.

7. At Mascoutah's sectional, the girls take a few celebratory pictures to show off their seventh sectional championship.

8. Varsity rides in a white truck during the Highland homecoming parade in late September.

3. Kate Drueke, 9, Kylie McFarland, 11, Abbey Mortland, 10, and Hannah Smith, 11 pose after performing their lyrical routine at Mascoutah's sectionals.

9. Rounding the corner onto Washington street are Paige Crawford, 9, Hannah Smith, 11, Bree Etherton, 11, Brooke Wilson, 12, Kate Drueke, 9, Tegan Beard, 10, and Tatum Stock, 10, on the dance team float.

**Walking on Broken Glass**

The varsity dance team was coached by Erin Cotto and Carrie Eilerman, they led the girls through a successful season. Starting at their first competition, held in Lindbergh MO, they earned second in their lyrical and pom routines. The team won their seventh sectional championship in Edwardsville which led them to the IHSA State Finals. There, they placed sixth on day one and advanced to day two where they received fifth in the state. Highland then hosted their own IDTA invitational where they qualified for state. At IDTA state, the team won first in jazz and second in lyrical and pom. They also received "Grand Champions" for the highest average score in their jazz and lyrical.
The JV boys basketball team was coached by Todd Strong. They started off their season in the summer by working on conditioning and technique. Throughout the season, the boys practiced every night for two hours. They worked on their offensive and defensive skills. The team consisted of mostly juniors and a few sophomores. The boys record was 5-10. Coach Strong said, "This year's JV season was a lot of fun. The kids played hard every game and improved as the season progressed. I really enjoyed this group of kids. It was a good year!"

Pass to Me

1. Peyton Strong, 11, tries to block one of the Columbia players at an away game. Columbia won the game.

2. The team huddles in for a thirty second timeout at a home game against Mascoutah. Coach Strong talked about their new strategies for the next play.

3. Max Choojirawong, 11, throws the ball to Jacob Brauns, 10. At the end of the game, he made a three-pointer.

4. At a home game against Jerseyville, Evan Peterson, 10, blocks the opponent while dribbling the ball. Jerseyville won the game.
5. At a home game against our rival Triad, Christian Kasssay, 10, jumps to get the rebound from the opponent's basket. After a tough fight, Triad won the game.

6. Carter Weigman, 11, gets ready for the tip off at the home game against Waterloo. Once they tipped off Waterloo got the ball.

7. At the beginning of the away game at Columbia, the team huddles to listen to Coach Strong tell them their plays.

8. At a home conference game against Waterloo, Landyn Oestringer, 11, dribbles the ball while looking for someone to pass the ball to. Highland won the game.

9. At an away game against Columbia, Landyn Oestringer, 11, passes the ball to Peyton Strong, 11. Once Strong received the ball, he made a shot.

10. Alex Head, 10, shoots a free throw after being fouled by a Waterloo player. He made one out of two shots.

11. Junior, Brylee Portell, 11, dribbles the ball down the court at a home game against Central. We won the game.

12. At an away conference game at Civic Memorial, Evan Sutton, 10, dribbles the ball while looking for an open player. CM ended up winning the game.
1. Jack Etter, 12, looks for one of his teammates to throw the ball to at the Senior night home game against Triad. Highland won the game.

2. The seniors pose for a picture with their Reginal Championship plaque. The Bulldogs beat Salem 59-39.

3. At a Jerseyville away game, Sam Laporta, 12, dunks the ball. Highland got the win.

4. Griffin Frahm, 12, shoots a free throw after getting fouled at a home game against Waterloo. Highland won the game.

5. Senior Jacob Willis, searches for one of his teammates to pass to at a Columbia away game.

6. Sam Laporta, 12, receives a basketball from Coach Perkes for making the thousand point club before a home game against Waterloo.

7. At the Reginal Championship game, Stephen Tore, 12, jumps to dunk the ball. The boys got the victory over Salem.

8. Jake Kruse, 12, waits for the ball to be thrown into play at a Triad home game. Highland won.
Varsity Boys Basketball

9. Stephen Torre, 12, reaches to tip off the ball at an away conference game against Triad. Highland beat the Knights by 20 points.

10. The team huddles in after they received their Regional plaque. The boys moved on the next week to Sectionals at Mascoutah.

11. At a home against Central, Brady Feldmann, 12, dribbles the ball down the court. Highland got the win.

The varsity boys basketball team was lead by Coach Brian Perkes. Throughout the season, the boys had many accomplishments including winning the Mississippi Valley Conference (MVC) title and going undefeated in conference. The team also won their first regional championship since 2011 and broke the school's record for the most wins in a season. Along with those, senior, Sam LaPorta, was also awarded into the 1,000 point club.


What song represents your four years of high school?

Snoop Dogg and Wiz Khalifa, ft. Bruno Mars, "Young, Wild and Free" - Devin Wills

Lil Jemini, "Hype" - Clayton Goodall

Khalid, "Young, Dumb and Broke" - Megan Griesbaum

Green Day, "Boulevard of Broken Dreams" - Madison Clemmons

Tee Grizzley, "No Effort" - Jack Etter

B.o.B, "Roll Up" - Jake Kruse

Chuuwee, "Nothin' At All" - Ozzy Parent

Bebe Rexha, "I'm A Mess" - Emilie Hoepker
What advice would you give to freshmen?

"It only gets worse" - Nick Weigand

"Even though High School Musical says to stick to the status quo, don't." - Tori Lynn

"Don't be afraid to step out of your comfort zone because life's too short" - Jordyn Schrage

"Don't stress about grades too much. Get involved because before you know it, it will be over" - Lexy Gilliam

"Learn how to walk in the halls" - Jacob Willis

"Don't wait till F1T to do your homework" - Megan Ramsey

"Soak it all in. Live in the moment because it really does go by so fast" - Lily Garbett
all of these "students" on this page are now teachers or staff. Can you match the teenager with the adult?
guess who's back?
Liza Basden, science
Dr. Chris Becker, principal
Tina Beyer, history
Sarah Bland, English
Douglas Bradley, history
Dianne Buch, aide
Stephanie Buchtel, Spanish

Carrie Buss, science
Danielle Case, English
John Case, band
Amy Cope, Spanish
Jessica Daniels, secretary
Joseph Dant, janitor

Margie Duncan, math
Christopher Durbin, business
Kate Eaker, special ed.
Matt Elledge, special ed.
Kirk Essenpreis, janitor
Chris Flake, resource officer

Angela Germagliotti, aide
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WHAT WILL YOU MISS MOST ABOUT THE SENIOR CLASS?

"Without the seniors next year, I feel that we will lose some of our great athletic talent and school spirit."

-Kenzie Gelly

"We're going to miss a lot about them but the halls will be much quieter without some of them."

-Carter Wiegman, Jack Korte, and Payton Cave

"I will miss their crowd involvement and ability to get the school excited."

-Bella Mueller
Senior Superlatives

Most Athletic: LaPorta and Nyquist

Best Personality: Huggendorf and Marth

Class Clown: Riley Field and Schrage

Most Likely to Become a Model: Nikko and Gibbons

High School Sweethearts: Worsoe

Most Likely to Become Famous: Goodall and Lynn

Biggest Flirt: Feldmann and Stahl

Most School Spirit: Wills and Wills
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For our beloved girl, for all you've learned, for all you've accomplished, for all you've loved and most of all, for all the wonderous things you've yet to do. We believe in you and believe that for you the world is waiting.

With Love, Gratitude and Joy we say upward and onward Kennedy Rose!
-Your adoring family!
The class of 2019 will truly be missed. Through the years they have made many great memories that will never be forgotten. They have broken many records, set tremendous standards, and left a unique mark on everyone along this journey. For 12 years we have been together and now we take on our separate paths. To the class of 2019, there is a bright future ahead for all of you and we wish the best to each and everyone of you.
WE ARE HHS
In the beginning of the year we were asked what we wanted the theme of the 2019 book to be. We spent many days eliminating ideas until we chose The Legacy Continues. This year's book is all about tradition and community. We wanted to make a book that everyone can look back on and remember all of the good times. We decided to bring back these two designs and include some other ideas throughout the book to tie in the idea of tradition.

The artwork we chose to be displayed on the end pages was from the 1940 HHS yearbook. The artist of this piece is unknown but we thank them for the inspiration.

The cover of the 1955 yearbook was the inspiration for this year's cover. We chose it because of its time theme and because it tied along with our through the years theme.