

Pawprints 2006

## "Let's get it started... <br> -Black Eyed Peas

Pawprints 2006 Waconia High School 1400 Community Drive Waconia, MN 55387

Opening..... 2
Students..... 12
Academic..... 58 Activities..... 68
Sports..... 94 Closing..... 134

Music plays a part in all our lives. Even if we don't play an instrument or sing, music shapes our memories of WHS. From the pep band at football games, to the sounds coming from the library during Coffeehouse,

[our
song]US, parking lot. Not only do our favorite songs affect but the words we hear when listening to our favorite songs make an impact on us. The words start to belong to us and the memories that go along with them.
This is our book, our year, our school, these are our friends. This is our song.

By Katie Hedstrom
"have you ever known where

to begin..." -Ben Harper

## Caught in the Moment


"You may say that I'm a dreamer but
I'm not the
only one" -John Lennon



## "You light up my <br> life..." <br> LeAnn Rimes

## (2) <br> "All the small things..." -Blink 182

"Man I feel like a woman!" -Shania Twain


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## "Smells like teen spirit..." -Nirvana

Class Color Day


Crush Your Opponent Day


Pajama Day


Spirit Week came just as fast as it went this fall, and was full of more school spirit than ever. The week started out with the annual girl's
Powderpuff game followed by the second annual boy's Powerpuff Volleyball game. Victory was once again captured by the seniors in both
Powderpuff and
Powerpuff. All of the senior's practice seemed to pay off in Powderpuff, sweeping the game 30-0. While the senior boys clinched the win, $2-1$, in Powerpuff. This year's dress up days consisted of the classics, along with two new ones. Class color day, pajama day, and purple and gold day were
once again a huge success. Battered opponent day gave us the chance to trash our opponent, the Delano Tigers, by dressing up in their colors with bandages, casts, and crutches. Our other new day this year was make your own t-shirt day, which gave many students the chance to show their artistic side. This fun, high energy week brought a sense of school spirit to everyone in the school, teachers and students alike.


Opposite page: Senior girls show off their strength after defeated the juniors in the powderpuff game. Bottom Left: Katherine Jonas and Kathryn Laulainen with their instruments at a middle school pep fest. Bottom: Mr. Lee, Mr. Zaske, Mr. Berg, and Officer Karnes getting hit in the face with pies thrown by students. Below: Matt Wessale gets rowdy at the pep fest with a street cone


# FVII of Spirit 

Homecoming week shows the spirit of WHS

Make Your Own Shirt Day



## "Over to the field for tackle football

Big hits, big hats, yeah give me the ball..."<br>-Jack Johnson



Above: Front Row-Desiree Dantona, Anna Philp, Anna Ayers-Looby, Becky Lund; Middle RowChelsie Vogel, Chelsea Honebrink, Queen: Tara Neibling, King: David Hobbs, Molly Asbjornson; Back Row-Aaron Wagner, Robert Wightman, Scott Plocher, Joe Nord, Tim Gregory, Jory Pestorious, Shane Hallstrom.


Above: Senior boys get pumped up at coronation for their big game that night.


Opposite page: The football team runs in to start the homecoming game. Bottom left: King and Queen candidates at Perkins after being woken up. Top Left: Players on the sideline watching the game. Below: Coach Foley pumping up players between quarters.


# Under the Lights <br> Friday ends homecoming week with a bang 

Another year of homecoming ended with a bang. Coronation was held on Friday afternoon. Bria Torgeson and Danielle Miller each sang one song. Next, everyone watched a video of the senior king and queen canidates being woken up, along wtih pictures of them each as babies. The slide show also had pictures from each dress up day and pictures from the powderpuff game. Finally, Tara Neilbling and David Hobbs were crowned king
and queen of
Homecoming 2005. On Friday, everyone was anxiously awaiting the football game that night. The stands were packed with fans cheering on their Wildcats. The team held on the entire game and it came down to the very last play. The game was close, but Delano ended up winning with a score of 13-21. Overall, it was an exciting and fun end to a spirit filled week.


Above: Meghan Durkin and John Bly announcing the candidates at the coronation ceremony.


Flute
Stephanie Bruesehoff Samantha Foust Amy Brennan Phylicia Short Courtney Wallace Nicole Willems Becky Parkinson Rachel Horner Amanda Hecksel-Read Taylor Melius Chelsey Rossel Ashely Ament Rianna Gegener Ashley Carlson

## Clarinet

Christina Anderson
Amanda Bammert Misti Hecksel-Read Samanthat Konrardy Ashley Iacona Jessica Mathwig Sarah Northrup Mallory O'Neil Christine Georgen Vicky Vue
Ashlee Hackbarth

Jessica Krautbauer Mary Beth Christensen Jackie Salden Amy Culver Katie Becker Steph Cluff Rachel Mathwig

## Alto Saxophone Laura Christensen

 Brit Indrelie Amy Anderson Kala Cermak Amber Storms Mary Deweese Jenny Nelson Amanda Corson Brittany Sellman Amber Chandler Julie Neborak Catherine McAvoy Kelsey Goergen Edith LeeTyler Stevenson

## Tenor Saxophone

Kevin Deering
Michael Bly Matt Neubauer

| Ashley Berndt |
| :--- |
| Desiree Dantona |
| Ashley Tuley |
| Daniel Gjertson |
| Kelly Hulke |
| Ryan Rague |
| Maggie Klason |
| Kathryn Laulainen |
| Sarah Boughten |
| Bridget Ayers Looby |
| Laura Jensen |
| Ted Moore |
| Aaron Wagner |
| Jonathan Bakke |
| Scott Bullis |
| Andrew Brick |
| David Klinglehutz |
| Nick Litfin |
| John Bly |
| Derek Eiden |
| Greg Farlow |
| Erin Salverson |
| Eric Haugsby |
| Patrick Mathwig |
| Megan Masurka |
| Matt Larkin |
| Bass Clarinet |
| Brianna Hartmann |
| Nicole Klaustermeier |

Katelin Boehm
Patrick Puckett Amanda Dingwall Janell Anderson
Lindsey Samuelson
Kayla DeBoer
Tara Niebling Brianna Wall Blair Bost Katie Paris Mary Polding Kelsey Connor Terra Peterson Cassie Giesinger Ashlie Scheuble Andria Jones Merideth Lamburger Kate Munson

## Staff

Mark Dunton Christain Gilbert Molly Norton Emily Hill Erin Inderlie Jermey Kunkel Josh Pauley Dan Philp

Simon Gustafson Dan Held Sam Holtberg Sam Mock Tyler Clouse Daniel Klinglehutz Michael Krahulec Austin Schmidtt Amanda Scheff Becky Solheim Kaley Peters Cassy Norton Jens Larsen Kirsten Indrelie Andrew Overson Charlie Kortuem Dylan Brown Ben Rickel Christine Deering Colin Faust
Michael Hennen Sam Cousin Lucy Tongen Melanie Grangaard Lance Neubauer Anna Hedstrom

| Katie Hedstrom | Dan Held |
| :--- | :--- |
| Heather Bradt | Sam Holtberg |
| Camille Moore | Sam Mock |
| Chelsie Vogel | Tyler Clouse |
|  | Daniel Klinglehutz |
| Trombone | Michael Krahulec |
| Andy Newman | Austin Schmidtt |
| Adam Fisel | Amanda Scheff |
| Ethan G. | Becky Solheim |
| Ken Miyamoto | Kaley Peters |
| Jackie Surat | Cassy Norton |
| Alex Quiring | Jens Larsen |
| David Hobbs | Kirsten Indrelie |
| Anna Ayers Looby | Andrew Overson |
| Kyle Mckeever | Charlie Kortuem |
| Matt Stole | Dylan Brown |
|  | Ben Rickel |
| Baritone | Cristine Deering |
| Evan Butteris | Colin Faust |
| Darby Steiner | Michael Hennen |
| Matt Gibbs | Sam Cousin |
| Tuba | Lucy Tongen |
| Eric Butteris | Melanie Grangaard |
| Chris Falk | Lance Neubauer |
| Matt Schilling | Anna Hedstrom |
| Eri Held |  |

Matt Schilling
Joe Timm

The 2005 Marching Band theme this past summer was Latin Shock, and boy was this year a shocker! For the first time in the Waconia Band's thirty-two year history, they went undefeated! They recieved first place and people's choice at every competition, including the parade at the Calgary Stamede. The band's goals helped contribute to their perfect season. To design and create a fun show, and then to have the members execute the show was the band's main goal. This was acheived with the help of the 180 members who gave it their all while
having fun in the process. Krista Anderson, Megan Frederickson, Katherine Jonas, and Natalie Maiser led the band as the commanders. Many members of the band agree that one of the summer's funniest moments was when Aaron Wagner fell in practice when he was trying to kick a spoon and ended up swimming on the ground. This season was very full of fun and hard work. The Waconia High School marching band gave the crowd an entertaining show at every parade, and the band had a fun and successful season!

Bottom: Mallory O'Neil, Christine Anderson, Aaron Wagner, and Ashlee Hackbarth during the show. Below: Katie Clinch, Kjerstin Haugsby, Hayley Mueller-Milne, and Mary Polding riding horses in Banff.




Above: The marching band, playing on the steps of the Saddledome for an audience on the Stampede Grounds.


Above: Marching down the streets of Calgary. Right: Aaron Wagner playing a solo during the show.


## [our students]

"I ain't gunna be just a

face in the crowd..." -Bon Jovi




Grady Albright


Mitchell Boll


Jonathan Bakke


Cassie Alkire


Joshua Beckmann


Olivia Boll


Christine Anderson


Ashley Berndt


Bess Bost


Jason Armstrong


Allen Broll


Brittany Chaffee


Sophia Crosby


Kevin Bullis


Jordan Coleman


Desiree Dantona


Jason Butler


Mackenzie Collins


Jessica Davis


Alissa Carver


Thomas Cradick


Kayla DeBoer
eighteen forever...


Kevin Deering


Marcus Dummer


Justin Ely


Emma Denbrook


Brent Dunkelberger


Kelsey Engelen


Amanda Dingwall


Kyle Durkin


Chelsea Engstrom


Matthew Douville


Christoph Falk


Dennis Fiebelkorn


Matthew Goede


Jesse Hayes


Elizabeth Fischbach


Laura Grangaard


Katie Hedstrom


Adam Frank


Evan Gundlach


Ashley Henderson


Zachary Gatheridge


Bonnie Hanson


Joshua Henninger
miss a party...



Alexander Kalausich


Thomas Koehler


Elisa Kelsey


Jessica Kroells


Tracy Kelzer


Lauren Krukowski


Justin Klingelhutz

Merideth Lamberger


Nicholas Lano


Matthew Larkin


Kathryn Laulainen
them going constantly...


Timothy Lee


Ambrosia Leuthardt


Nicholas Matheson


Keliann Leivermann


Tyler Ludwigson


David May


Perry Lenz


Jacob Manuel


Gabrielle McLay

Brian Leonard


Megan Masurka


Kari Mcmanigal

## ...and we'll never



Paul Meyer


Kathleen Morimoto


Kimberly Melchert


Kienyn Miller


Jennifer Nelson


Travis Melchert


James Milne


Matthew Neubauer


Jason Menth


Leah Moore


Tara Niebeling

## have to listen...






Kimberly Rademacher

Chelsea Rice


Aaron Rothfusz



Matthew Rademacher

Nanette Ristow

Samuel Schelitzche



Jacob Rajewsky


Megan Robb


Braedon Schmidt


Angie Rasmussen


Benjamin Ross


Alexander Schnedler
about anything...


Danielle Schneewind


Thomas Selvey


Rebecca Solheim


Mark Schrupp


Sheena Sievers


Jonathon Spagenske


Stacie Seaman


Megan Sipper


Jaren Stangret


Renee Seib


Caitlin Smith


Jacob Stanton
...cause it's all been done


Kyle Stender

Anthony Stockert

Matthew Tegels



Kenneth Sterner


Alison Stole

Shari Thaemer



Samuel Sterner


Timothy Storms

Spencer Tietz



Cory Stessen


Bria Torgeson

## and it's all been said...



Mark Vanderlinde


Ryan Vogel


Courtney Wallace


Jenny VanKirk


Shirley Vue


Risa Watabe


Paige Vigil


Brandon Wachholz


Joseph Weaver


Chelsie Vogel


Aaron Wagner


Logan Weiland
...we're the


Brandon Weinzierl


Colby Young


Ayelen Cordoba


Vanessa Weinzierl


Olivia Younkin


Matthew Wessale


Cory Zaback

Not Pictured: Cerise Anderson, Jason Anderson, Braden Bouchard, John Bowman, Andrew Calbo, Jennifer Foley, Brittany Jorgensen, Lisa Lemmerman, Kari Redinger, Andrew Reich, Dora Guerro


Kyle Whittaker


Kevin Zimmermann

## Senior Favorites



Favorite TV Show

1. The O. C.
2. The Family Guy
3. Andy Milonakis

Favorite Song

## 1. Sugar We're Going Down

2. Listen to Your Heart
3. Holiday

Favorite Candy

1. Skittles
2. M\&M's

Favorite Hangout

1. Friend's Houses
2. Frost and Steam
3. Tin Cup
4. Reeses Pieces

Favorite Restaraunt Favorite Magazine

1. Chipotle
2. Applebees
3. Taco Bell

Favorite Store

1. Target
2. Urban Outfitters
3. American Eagle

Favorite Band

1. Jack Johnson
2. Green Day
3. Fall Out Boy

Favorite Actor

1. Johnny Depp
2. Ryan Gosling
3. Will Ferrell
4. Cosmo
5. Sports Illustrated
6. People


Favorite Radio Station

1. 93 X
2. KDWB
3. B96

The<br>Barn<br>Parties<br>When<br>Alex Schnedler tripped over a desk in Grundy's Math class<br>Getting caught by the cops for attacking Junior Powderpuff

Putting the ' 06 sign up on the school.


Favorite Sports Star

1. Kevin Garnett
2. David Hobbs
3. Lance Armstrong


## Favorite Memories...

When<br>Aaron<br>Wagner and<br>Tony<br>Stockert hugged Mr.<br>Torborg<br>Dominating the Juniors in Powderpuff 30-0<br>Getting out of school during school threats.<br>Going to state for danceline

...and we take what we can get..." -Brand New

## In Memory of Ryan Palmersheim

"Cause the love and the laughter will live long after all of the sadness and the tears...We'll meet again, old friend..."
-Tim McGraw


Ryan Palmersheim passed away on March 6, 2003. On that day we lost a very special person. Ryan will forever be remembered for his humor, his smile, and his love for life. He truly
lived life to the fullest and was an inspiration to all who knew him. The memories we have of Ryan will always bring smiles to our faces. He will always be remembered and in our hearts.


# [juniors] 


"I told you, we takin' over..." -2Pac


Tyler Abrahamson
Ashley Ament
Janell Anderson
Nichole Anderson
Andrew Armit
Joshua Artmann


Katie Asbjornson Molly Asbjornson Michael Ashman Jennifer Bakke
Amanda Bammert
Erica Barnard
Katie Becker
Amanda Berge
Anna Billings
Kirsten Blegen
John Bly
Michael Bly
Craig Boll
Sarah Boughten
Meagan Bozak
Stephanie Brazil
Kati Bren
Amy Brennan
Kyle Brockway
Amanda Brown
Catherine Brown
Dylan Brown
Mark Bruner
Chelsey Buesgens

Kari Buesgens
Evan Butteris
Amanda Campbell
Jamie Carsten
Justin Chappell
Matthew Clemensen
Michael Clemensen Michael Clemmer Mitchell Collins Samuel Cousin Chris Crundwell Amy Culver

Sheryl Cummines Michele Delon
Mary Deweese
Antonio Dondlinger
Joseph Drapcho
Theodore Drees

Madel Duenas Meghan Durkin David Earls Emily Ebert Kevin Ebert Darwin Ehrreich

Derek Eiden Seth Erickson

Colin Faust Samantha Forsythe Ryan Frey Leah Froehling


## STUDENTS "If you could be the lead singer in any

 SPEAK band, which band would it be, and why Green Day for sure because their music is really good!""The Spice Girls, it was always my childhood dream." -Leah Froehling
"I would be Tommy Lee, two words...Pamela Anderson"
-Danny Kelzer

Richard Gallion Daniel Gapen Jessica Glashan Kelsey Goergen Derek Golberg Adam Good




Kari Hoen
Candon Honebrink
Kirsten Indrelie
Michael Jackels
Laura Jensen
Joseph Johnson
Laura Kahmeyer
Melissa Kahmeyer
Mitchell Karels
Drew Kating
Sarah Kelley
Daniel Kelzer

> "I would be in Maroon 5 because they are very popular and well-known"
> -Cody Redshaw

"I would definitely want to be in the Backstreet Boys because they get all the ladies." -Brody Scheff

"INXS, just so I could be on the show." -Darwin Ehrreich
"Big and Rich...but then I'd. bave to be a guy?!" -Kari
Hoen


Joshua Kerwood
Christine Kim
John Klaustermeier
Jeffrey Klein
Kurtis Koenig
Manuela Komperda


Charles Kortuem
Brian Krahulec Jessica Krautbauer Kristine Kroells Jennifer Kutzke Apryl Lamberger

Kelsey Laplante Melanie Laplante Katelyn Larkin Joseph Larsen Melissa Lee Kevin Lenzen

Marie Linehan Brian Loscheider Timothy Lund Sarah Lundberg Thomas Mahan Gabrielle Malek

Daniel Mason Patrick Mathwig Catherine McAvoy Molly McDonald Kyle McKeever

Molly Meeks
Taylor Melius Cody Menth Jazzlenn Mevissen Miroslav Mikityuk Danielle Miller Nicholas Miller

Jeffrey Morgan
Brett Munson Jacob Newby Laura Northrup Rachel Nystrom
Pamela Olesen

Kelly Olson Shawn Osterkamp

Holly Ostlie
Andrew Overson Rebecca Parkinson Ariana Penner

Danielle Petersen
Brittany Peterson
Elizabeth Peterson
Ryan Peterson
Andreas Pfeiffer
Chineda Phommachanh
Taija Pietz
Krista Polding Calvin Porte Erin Porter Alexander Quiring Joshua Ramm

Chin Ratsabouth Mitchell Read Cody Redshaw Ian Redshaw Jami Reinke Brian Remer



Kyle Wickenhauser Robert Wightman Chelsie Wilson Sean Wilson Lani Wohlforth Zachary Wold

Chad Wolf Ashlei Wood Allison Woods Morgan Woosley Kevin Worm Brennen Wothe


Kayla Wurst Samantha Zipf


Top: Andrew Armit and Michael Hennen expressing their true friendship in the halls between lunches. Above: Laura Northup, Laura Hedges, and Katie Becker at their lunch table.

Top: Marie Linehan and Holly Ostlie sitting by their lockers and talking during morning break. Above: John Bly and foreign exchange student, Andreas Pfieffer, getting ready to eat their lunch.

"I'll do the driving from now on..." -Fountains of Wayne



Zachary Klindworth David Klingelhutz Ryan Knutson Kyle Krause Jens Larsen Kaitlin Larsen

Aaron Lehrke David Leonard Dalton Lingbeck Nicholas Litfin Steve Lopez Alice Lovaasen


SONG:
"'Banana Pancakes' by Jack Johnson, because it's relaxing." -Brett Moore


SONG LYRIC:
"'How you dawn depends on how you rise, life has a meaning so open your eyes' by The Beautiful Girls." -Kyle Rindahl


Eric Luce Katie Luce Douglas Luedloff Reuel Lund Jacob Macy Benjamin Majhor

Rachael Martel Devin Meierding Allison Melbye Heather Melchert

Anna Menssen Eric Menth


Mitchell Meuleners Aleksey Mikityuk Seth Miller Nickoli Mitchell Samuel Mock Carissa Moonen



Stephanie Reif
Kristina Rice Benjamin Rickel Kyle Rindahl Samuel Roehler Chelsey Rossell

Rebekah Rundstrom Benjamin Russell Andrew Salo Erin Salveson Kayla Sayre Christine Schieffer

Andrew Schmidt Frank Schmidt Austin Schmitt Emily Schmitt John Schmitt Michael Schnedler

Jessica Schonhardt Tom Schulz Brittany Sellman John Shaw Phylicia Short Cassandra Sinclair

Nicholas Sinnen Zachary Slice Timothy Snider Samantha Sorenson Jessica Splettstoeszer Daniel Stavos

Matthew Steinborn Joshua Sterner Margaret Stodola Matthew Stole Forrest Strahota Tyler Stroming

Amanda Sullivan Jordan Sutherland Moriah Sutherland Brittni Sweeney Hannah Swift Tabitha Syverson

Lee Taylor William Terry Andres Torres Jeremy Vanderlinde<br>Chae'le Varnavas Andrew Vigil




Left: Briana Jorgeson and Blair Bost having fun in class. Bottom Left: Greg Farlow getting ready to go to class after morning break.

Below: Tyler Warwick and Andres Torres heading to lunch. Bottom: Alicia Champagne, Amanda Pederson, and Kelly Brink going to class after morning break.


Corey Vogel
Shane Wachlin
Jaclyn Wagener
Brianna Wall
Samuel Wasmund
Nolan Weber
Bradley Weinzierl
Bryan Wessale
Brittany Widmer
Justine Widmer
Nicole Willems
Amanda Wood
Kylie Wroge
Nathaniel Younkin
Tyler Zebell
Catherine Zimmermann
Tara Zuraff

## [freshmen]



"We might not be the young ones very long..."
-Menace


Aaron Albani
Samuel Anderson
Kara Bakke
Aaron Barden
Bethany Bertelsen
Samantha Bierlein


Ryan Bleichner
Justin Boll
Clint Borka
Ryan Bradt
Jamie Bratsch
Morgan Braunshausen


Brian Broll
Madeline Brown
Jared Buesgens
Tanner Bullock
Brittany Burr
David Butz


Emily Capaul Jorge Carranza Matthew Carsten Juan Castillo
Brandon Chappell
Colby Chase


Stephanie Cluff
Ronnie Cobb
Joshua Condon
Kelsey Connor
Emily Cook
Jonathan Crundwell


Anders Culver
Tammy Cummines
Shannon Curtis
Lianne Dang
Cheyenne Dantona
Kyra Daugherty


Dru Delange
Kelly Deweese
Michael Diehl
Dustin Dunn
Cody Ebert
Arron Eder


Daniel Edwards Joshua Eiden Jason Elasky Madelaine Elling
Brittney Ellis
Alexander Emmings

Shannon Engler Jessica Evjen Shane Ewalt Cassandra Faust Eliot Ferron Andrew Fiebelkorn

Catherine Filipek Rebecca Forner Shana Froehling Cody Gallup Ashley Gast Travis Gelhaye

Dana Gentz Hali Germond Matthew Gibbs Cory Gieseke Caitlin Giesen Josh Goergen

Max Gomes Melanie Grangaard Jeffrey Grimm Amanda Grindahl Kayla Gueningsman Mitchell Gunderson

Benjamin Hable Brielle Haggerty Shane Hallstrom Emily Halvorson Dustin Hanson Kyler Hanson

Alexander Hathaway Kjerstin Haugsby Mickayla Hegr Jonathan Heimdal

Eric Held Molly Helmbrecht

Nicholas Hennen Samuel Henninger Daniel Herrmann Zachary Hintgen Kelsey Hoen Aaron Hulke

Jessica Hunter
Brit Indrelie Amanda Iverson Ashley Johnson Austin Johnson Donavan Johnson



Kyle Niebeling Derik Noeldner Sarah Northrup Cassandra Norton Trevor O'Konek Kevin Olesen

Zachary Olson Alex Osborn Joshua Osterkamp Carter Ostlie Jenna Otremba Colton Otto

Dianne Parkinson Robert Paul Jared Pawelk Taylor Perks Christian Pierce Kyle Pingeon Kara Pioske Miles Pochler Meryl Pogatchnik Mary Polding Glenda Pomare Sara Porter

Carmen Prins Amanda Quiring Megan Rademacher Naomi Rakow Nicholas Ramm Eric Rathmanner

Justin Ratzlaff Ashley Read Alyssa Reich Jeremy Reichenberger

Tamara Reinke Lauren Rice

Nathan Ristow Kelsey Robling Brady Roth Leah Rothfusz Christina Rupp Keelan Ryan

Amber Sawatzky Jaymes Schelitzche Joseph Schermer Ashlie Scheuble Calvin Schmidt Tyler Schultz



Mitchell Scrimgeour Tyler Scrimgeour Elissa Selleck
Mandi Selvey
Trevor Sidwell
William Sievers


Amanda Sinnen
Tanner Skaalerud
Amanda Smith
Benjamin Smith
Kyla Smith
Emily Smith-Jolliffee


Heather Snyder
Joshua St Amand
Kevin Stahn
Elijah Stangret
Tyler Stevenson
Margaret Stivers


Emily Storms Austin Sullivan
Brianna Sullivan
Jacklyn Surat
Cody Swier Caleb Talbert


Ben Tegels
Kyla Thorson
Mercedez Tolzmann
Lucy Tongen
Patrick VanKirk
Keith Voeller


Jessica Vogel Joshua Wacek Ashley Waller Mark Weiland
Steven Wert
Emily Willems


Eric Wolf Gavin Woodland Stephanie Wothe Zachary Woytcke Alexandra Wright Stephanie Wymore

# mini mag 

 what's up in wac-town?
## myspace takes over



Top: Myspace logo from the website; Above: Keli Leivermann, Chelsea Honebrink, and Mackenzie Collins using the popular website in the library.

More than 30\% of Waconia High School's student body are registered users on myspace.com. Myspace is a bulletin site that until this year was vaguely known. As the site's popularity grows so do the amount of kids who have pages, and it has definitely become the most well known forum in school. "Getting new messages or comments is the most exicting part," said senior, Christine Anderson. With hundreds of students already members, this site promises to be around for awhile.

## the quiznos boys

Toasted subs is not the only unique thing about the new restaurant in town, Quiznos. Out of the 17 employees, 11 go to WHS, and six of them happen to be good friends. Junior boys, Brody Scheff, Micheal Hennen, Joe Timm, Seth Erickson, Kevin Ebert, and Jeff Hable all landed a job at Quiznos. "It makes work go by really fast when you're working with friends," says Scheff. Quiznos really does have a "friendly atmosphere."


Above: The Quiznos Boys: Seth Erickson, Micheal Hennen, Jeff Hable, Joe Timm, Brody Scheff, and Kevin Ebert.

## how 'bout those twins?

The junior class has a very unique characteristic compared to other classes at WHS this year. The juniors have six sets of twins. The Asbjornsons, Blys, Browns, Clemensens, Kaymeyers, and LaPlants make up the sets of twins of the eleventh grade. "One good part is sharing clothes," said Kelsey LaPlante. Some of the twins are fraternal, some identical, but each set is of the same gender. These twins make the junior class and our school very unique.


Above: Back Row: the Clemensens, the Blys; Middle Row: the LaPlantes, the Kaymeyers, the Browns; Front Row: the Asbjonsons

## hicks in the lot

A new tradition has been started at Waconia High School. The back of the parking lot trucks. The country boys, or "hicks" as they like to be called, park their trucks in the back of the WHS parking lot every morning. They start the day by blasting their horns, blaring country music, and doing the occasional burn-out to entertain their fellow classmates. These boys are also big Wildcat fans and spent the football season tailgating in the Bayview parking lot, roasting hot dogs and blasting their air horns. The parking lot truck boys make arriving at school a little more fun

## our thoughts on katrina

The biggest and deadliest storm to hit the south coast this year was Hurricane Katrina. This hurricane left many people of the south homeless and without food. Though students of WHS didn't live through the storm and most were not deeply affected by it, Katrina affected everyone here somehow. Everyone in the country has their own feeling and opinions about what was undeniably a tragedy. Here are some thoughts on the deadly and horrific hurricane straight from Waconia High School students and teachers:

"It was a tragic loss that could have been prevented if people had listened." -Amanda Campbell, 11 th grade
"The whole thing was horriffic and heartbreaking." -Mrs. Dulgar

"It was a sad thing but I think that it got too much publicity." -Daniel Hermann, 9th grade
"It was a really devastating sight to see and hear about all those innocent people losing their homes."



Above: These are just a few of the trucks parked in the last row of the parking lot.

## rock for the arts



Above: Chelsea Rice with her guitar on the stage of the Bayview Auditorium getting ready to perform for the crowd

On November 18, 2005 almost 150 people crowded in the Bayview auditorium to support NAHS. A concert was put on to raise money for the society featuring five groups. More than $\$ 400$ was raised by the end of night. Joel Swenson and Connor Wickenhauser agreed that the best band was Towers Thick Walls, while Bria Torgeson says she loved Chelsea Rice's acoustic set. The money raised will go towards trips for the group in the future.

## Our S TYL E

Waconia High School may not be the most diverse school in the world, but we do have many creative students. One way students at WHS seem to express their creativity is through their clothing. We have many different styles at our school, but these are just a few that seem to stand out. The students featured on this page are only examples of the most popular clothing styles at Waconia High School. No matter what style you feel you fall under, the majority of students can agree that you use your clothing to express yourself.

## Jock/Sporty

## Country/Hick



Travis Melchert
"Seekin' out the new trends, get in where you fit in..."

## Preppy/Mainstream



| 350 WHS STUDENTS WERE POLLED AND <br> THE | How much are you | What style do you feel | Do you use your clothing |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | willing to pay for a pair of ieans? | you fall under? | to express yourself? |
|  |  | Prep/Mainstream....32\% | Yes..... $46 \%$ |
|  | er \$ 30..... | Jock/Sporty.....13\% | No......16\% |
| RESULTS | 50.....36\% | Punk/Emo......14\% | Sometimes..... $38 \%$ |
| ARE IN | 0-\$80......25\% | Country/Hick......13\% |  |
|  | Over \$80......8\% | Other.....30\% |  |



## "Whisper words of



## wisdom..." -The Beatles

## 『NO『STR RAr TECM

In the past, shop classes have been looked at as a daycare for the "underachievers" and the shop teachers as "babysitters." But in reality, some of the smartest students in the school are in the shop area. Take the Manufacturing class for example, you learn how to start a business and how to keep it up and
running. These classes especially help students who want to get good jobs in the industrial field. Junior, Cody Hlavka says he takes shop classes because " it will prepare me for my career in the future." Industrial Tech classes are extremely valuable and, according to many, should get more recognition.


Top Left: Joe Brandenburg and Ben Brettingen in Intro to Metals. Left: Josh Artmann wiring in industrial tech class. Above: Mr. Aeling with a drill in one of his classes.


The FACS department at WHS has a variety of classes that will help you throughout your life. Some of the classes that are offered are Foods, Child Developement, Fashion Merchandising, Housing and Interior Design. Junior, Emily Ebert says that she takes FACS classes because " Mrs. Hartwig is a really fun teacher." Most classes even have many boys enrolled. There is more to taking FACS classes then learning how to cook and sew. This department can help in furthuring your real world education.


"Welcome to the Academic wing." -Mr. Aeling

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## ART



Left: Micheal Bly in Foods Class doing a fun experiment. Top: Craig Boll enjoying leftovers on his spatula. Above: Nicole Good mixing up some whip cream in Foods Class.


Top Left: Joe Weaver drawing a picture of a ceramic pot in class. Left: Vicky Vue working hard in Intro to Art. Above: Aaron Boldt working on a project for the Christmas door decorating contest.

The art department at Waconia is a very interesting and talented one. The art classes that are offered are Intro to Art, Drawing and Painting, Ceramics, Commercial Art, Studio Art, Applied Art, and AP Art. In these classes you learn different techniques to improve your drawing, painting, and even
ceramic skills. The school had to hire a new art teacher, Mrs. Totortis-Searl, this year to help Mrs. Fisher with her abundance of classes and work. "Art is by far the best part of my school day," said AP Art student, Lauren Krukowski. Art classes are and have always been favorites at WHS.

> "Art is an important part of our daily lives. It is important to me to share that." -Mrs. Fisher

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## Our Teacher's Music

"I saw the band Chicago at

"I went to Sonny and Cher when I was about 20 with my sorority sisters." -Mrs. Dulgar NDSU-Fargo when I was 19 with my boyfriend. " -Mrs. Wasness

"I went to D.C. Talk with my youth group." -Mr. Erickson

## What was the first concert you ever attended?

"Tom Petty, R.E.M., or Nirvana."
-Mr. Zaske


"Van Halen" -Mr. Grundhoffer
"Micheal Jackson" -Mrs. Weinand

## What was your favorite band in high school?

"'Catch us if You Can' by Dave Clark 5, it was our cross country theme song." -Mr. Fogarty


"'Fantastic Voyage' by Coolio."
Mrs. Totortis
"Fork in the Road' by Lillix" -Ms. Bigaouette

## What was your favorite song in high school?


"You can't always get what you want...
-Rolling Stones -Mr. Aeling

## "Do you compute?" <br> -Donny Iris <br> -Mr. Klitzke



"Welcome to the jungle, we have fun and games..."
-Guns N' Roses
-Mr. Myhre

What song lyric best describes the classes you teach?

## Teachers




## "So many things to do, so little



## time..." -Bone Thugs-N-Harmony

## Academic and Community Honor

Students awarded for their achievements off the field and court

The National Honor Society at WHS is a very respectable association to be involved in. In order to be inducted into NHS, a student must have a minimum of a 3.5 cumulative GPA, perform at least twenty hours of community service, be involved in at least three activities, and have admirable characteristics. NHS is an organization that recognizes student academic achievement, extra-curricular


Above: Officers, Olivia Boll, Laura Grangaard, Matt Wessale, and Jenny VanKirk reciting a NHS pledge at the November ceremony.
involvement, and community service.
"Being in NHS is kind of a reward for all your achievements outside of sports, plus it looks really good on college applications," said senior Katherine Jonas. On November 15, 2005, 116 students, grades $10-12$, were inducted into NHS. The officers, Jenny VanKirk, Matt Wessale, Laura Grangaard, Olivia Boll, and Mackenzie Collins, each gave
speeches about leadership, scholarships, service, and character relating to NHS. The director of this society, Melissa Weinand, along with principal, Mark Fredericksen, chapter advisor, Steve Hullander, and Mark Torborg presented each member with their awards. NHS students are ones who achieve the goals set for them.


Above: Principal Fredericksen shaking hands with Amy Brennan on stage before presenting her with her NHS certificate.


Back Row: Alison Stole, Kelly Hulke, Andria Jones, Caitlin Smith, Kevin Bullis, Kyle Hoen, David Hobbs, Jordan Coleman; Middle Row: Desiree Dantona, Christine Anderson, Mackenzie Collins, Kimberly Rademacher, Elizabeth Fischbach; Front Row: Megan Robb, Sophie Crosby, Olivia Boll, Chelsea Honebrink, Laura Grangaard.


Back Row: Katelyn Larkin, Jenna Venske, Catherine McAvoy, Jackie Salden, Kevin Lenzen, Patrick Mathwig, Alex Quiring. Second Row: Andrew Overson, Vicky Vue, Taylor Melius, Rebecca Parkinson, Jessica Krautbauer. Front Row: Riley Swier, Brody Scheff, Garret Sohns.


Back Row: Patrick Puckett, Chris Kalthoff, Sam Mock, Nick Litfin, Michael Schnedler, Nolan Weber, Bryan Wessale, Brianna Hartmann; Middle Row: Mary-Beth Christensen, Alicia Champagne, Anna Ayers-Looby, Christine Deering, Camille Moore; Front Row: Phylicia Short, Kylie Wroge, Greg Farlow, Kyle Rindahl, Addison Born, Amy Anderson, Hannah Swift.


Back Row: Luke Sullivan, Alison Stole, Brandon Weinzierl, Matt Tegels, Tara Niebeling, Matt Wessale, Matt Neubauer, Alex Schnedler; Middle Row: Jenny VanKirk, Chelsie Vogel, Anna Philp, Olivia Younkin, Courtney Wallace; Front Row: Becky Solheim, Megan Masurka, Jenny Nelson.


Back Row: Janell Anderson, Michael Bly, Erik Haugsby, Charlie Kortuem, Darwin Ehrreich, John Bly. Second Row: Sarah Boughton, Laura Hedges, Christine Kim, Kirsten Indrelie, Michael Hennen. Front Row: Amy Brennan, Colin Faust, Kevin Ebert, Derek Eiden.

## Students not pictured:

Seniors: Aaron Boldt, Jessica Davis, Kyle Durkin, Justin Ely, Zachary
Gatheridge, Katherine Hedstrom, Katherine Jonas, Matthew Larkin, Scott Plocher;
Juniors: Katie Becker, Evan Butteris, Amy Culver, Mary Deweese, Joseph $\overline{\text { Drapcho, Meghan Durkin, Leah Froehling, Kelsey Goergen, Laura Jensen, }}$ Kelsey LaPlante, Melanie LaPlante, Laura Northrup, Krista Polding, Brattney Schroeder, Kayla Schuman, Keagan Stangret, Joseph Timm; Sophomores: Amanda Corson, Brooke Gatheridge, Hans Gunness, Anna Hedstrom, Jason Kaare, Lance Neubauer, Brianna Wall.
> $\square \square$ "I'm always on the honor society..." -Jimmy Eat World

## Sixty years of Leadership Group celebrates anniversary with a successful year

FCCLA is an organization dedicated to helping teens connect with families, create plans to help them succeed in life, connect them with the community, and develop the necessary leadership skills to be successful in life. This organization has been a part of Minnesota high schools since 1946, and celebrated their 60th anniversary this year. FCCLA at Waconia High School has been especially
productive this year. Students have organized projects about Winterfest, Dating Violence Awareness, Career Steps, Monthly Reading at Bayview, Connecting Foreign Exchange Students with WHS, the Super Sizing of Food, and many others. There are currently 52 memebers in Waconia's branch of FCCLA, and the group is directed by Sue Hartwig and Stephanie Kappel.

The group meets the second or third Wednesday of every month, preparing for their two regional meetings, their state meeting, and their national meeting. "The leaders of the world were in FCCLA," said senior and secretary of FCCLA, Kathryn Laulainen. This organization plays an extremely important part in shaping the futures of WHS students.


Top Left: Juniors, Colin Foust and Michael Bly, reading their script and explaining their poster for their star event; Bottom Left: Mrs. Hartwig with Anna Ayers-Looby and Christine Deering, discussing their project on
Winterfest Week, during the first round of interviews; Above: Mrs. Hartwig dishing out food at one of the monthly business meetings during lunch shifts.


Back Row: Mrs. Hartwig, Matt Wessale, Matt Neubauer, Evan Butteris, Nick Sudheimer, Brittany Chaffee, Mrs. Kappel; Fourth Row: Kevin Deering, Meghan Durkin, Chelsie Wilson, Katie Hedstrom, Becky Solheim, Lauren Krukowski, Patrick Mathwig; Third Row: Manuela Komperda, Morgan Woosley, Kirsten Inderlie, Katelyn Larkin, Mary Deweese, Michael Bly, Colin Foust, Gabrielle Malek, Sarah Kelly; Second Row: Tabitha Schmidt, Megan Masurka, Jenny Nelson, Olivia Younkin, Laura Jensen, Katherine Jonas; Front Row: Officers: Megan Robb, Matt Larkin, Leah Froehling, Kathryn Laulainen.


Back Row: Mrs. Hartwig, Amanda Corson, Chelsea Rossell, Shana Froehling, Alexa Klos, Mrs. Kappel; Third Row: Allison Melbye, Anna Hedstrom, Kaitlin Boehm, Amanda Sullivan, Matt Stienborn; Second Row: Christina Rupp, Camille Moore, Christine Deering, Anna AyersLooby, Rachel Martel; Front Row: President: Megan Robb, Vice President: Matt Larkin, Treasurer: Leah Froehling, Secretary: Kathryn Laulainen.
Not Pictured: Derek Eiden, Historian: Hattie Holtberg, Rachel Martel, Ben Russell, Brittany Schroeder, Cassie Sinclair, Hannah Swift.

Bottom: Allison Melbye reading over her script before presenting in front of Mrs. Hartwig and Mrs. Kappel; Below: Officers, Kathryn Laulainen and Megan Robb, conducting a monthly business meeting.


## Keeping it Real 'Tracks' staff focuses in on important issues

With an eighteen student class, the Journalism students put out what was said to be one of the best Tracks editions ever. Taught by Mrs. Grossman, the Journalism class, plus a six student staff that meets twice a week, focused on an important issue at WHS in their first edition of the 2005-2006 school year. The cover story about sex at WHS and high schools around the country was extremely eye opening to many students
and seemed to have a very good response. Stories about Myspace, the dangers of tanning, cell phone laws, and spring break were some other stories that WHS students enjoyed because of their relevance to high school student's lives. Tracks editor, Laura Jensen, said, "It's really satisfying to see other students reading something into which I put my time and effort." Tracks has become a publication which WHS are very interested in.


Back Row: Patrick Puckett, Leah Froeling; Front Row: Brandy Reichenberger, Christine Kim, Sarah Kelley, Laura Jensen.
$\square \square \square$ "Will the things we wrote today sound as good tomorrow..." -Elton John


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## Making Memories The assignment is to help people remember

'Our Song' is the theme of the 2005-2006 WHS yearbook. The yearbook presents music lyrics that correspond with many activities. "I chose this theme because I felt like it was something everyone could relate to, whether they were involved in the music department or not. Everyone listens to music," said the editor, Katie Hedstrom. The Intro to Yearbook classes helped with the yearbook process by writing copy, captioning, and taking
pictures. Mr. Fogarty teaches these classes and has been the yearbook advisor for the past two years. Junior, Amanda Bammert, is the assistant editor and plans to take over as editor next year. "It's fun to see how the yearbook is made and to be part of the process," said Bammert. As technology advances so does the quality of the yearbook. The staff says it has been a fun year and they have big plans for next year's book.

$\square \square \square \square$ "A picture is worth a thousand memories..."
-Bad Religion

Below: Chelsie Wilson and Brittney Schroeder stuffing envelopes with letters to parents about senior photos.


Left: Christine Anderson, Chelsea Honebrink, and Chelsie Wilson advertising the style survery during lunch shifts; Middle Right: Editor, Katie
Hedstrom, working on layouts at "her computer"; Above: Christine Anderson checking out a yearbook camera with Mr. Fogarty

## Lending a Hand

## Peer Helpers guide new students through their year

The Peer Helpers are an important group at WHS. This group has fourteen members in grades ten through twelve. This year the peer helpers are led by the new guidance counselor, Ms. Pawelk. The peer helpers plan events at the school and overall, lend a helping hand to fellow students. Some events they organize are stuff a truck, the door decorating contest, and kindness week. The Peer Helpers also help out with freshmen orientation during the open house.

They give incoming freshmen and new students a tour of the school. Then at the beginning of the year Peer Helpers put on a pizza party for all the new students in order for new students to get to know one another and to make them feel welcomed to WHS. The Peer Helpers meet once or twice a month depending on the activites that are going on around the school. This group is one that truly makes a difference.


Back Row: Jenny VanKirk, Kevin Deering, Chelsea Honebrink, Elizabeth Fischbach, Andrew Newman; Middle Row: Sarah Boughton, Leah Moore, Anna Ayers-Looby, Christine Deering, Ms. Pawlek; Front Row: Robert Wightman, Christine Anderson, Mackenzie Collins, Katherine Jonas, Kathryn Laulainen.

unto others, lend a helping hand..." -Salt n' Pepa

Below: Brittany Widmer, Rachel Martel, Tara $\frac{\text { Zuraff, Anna Ayers-Looby, Christine Deering, and }}{}$ Richard Gallion sitting in a weekly SADD meeting,


## Taking a Stand

## Raising drug and alcohal awareness around WHS

Students Against
Destructive Decisions, or SADD, is an organization that makes students aware of unhealthy decisions and organizes a group of students who are committed to staying healthy. This year SADD is make up of ten members and Nelson Heise is the director for the second year. "SADD helps me make good decisions," said sophomore, Anna AyersLooby. The group meets every Thursday during morning break in the guidance office to discuss
their upcoming activities and decide their next steps in better informing people of unhealthy decisions. One of the ways SADD creates awareness is with Red Ribbon Week. During this week they have different speakers, skits, and activities to hopefully prevent students from making future bad decisions. SADD also works hard to make Prom a fun and safe experience for all WHS students. This is an organization that is very dedicated to making big differences.


Back Row: Mr. Heise, Tabitha Schmidt, Brittany Widmer, Cassie Row, Matt $\overline{\text { Neubauer; Front Row: Rachel Martel, Tara Zuraff , Christine Deering, Anna }}$ Ayers-Looby. Not Pictured: Amanda Woods, Richard Gallion Below: Mr. Heise informing SADD members about upcoming events at a weekly meeting during morning break.


■ - - - "Don't get drunk, don't get dumb, don't get dead..."
KC Wilkerson

## 'Grease is the Word' <br> Popular movie and musical portrayed on the WHS stage

With a sell out crowd nearly every night, this year's musical, "Grease," was a huge success. Many hours were put in during the two months between auditions and the first performance. The main male character, Danny Zuko, was played by senior, Jordan Coleman. The main female character, Sandy


[^1]Dumbrowski, was played by senior, Tara Niebling. "Grease" follows a group of rebels through their senior year at Rydell High School, set it the 1950's. It focuses on the relationship between bad-boy Danny and the cheerleader Sandy. 'Grease' outlines important relationships and aspects to a high school student's senior
year. "This was my first year in the fall musical and I'm so glad I made the choice to do it. I had such a blast on stage and was sad to see it end," said senior, Katherine Jonas. This musical was full of laughs, amazing voices, and fun dances. It was one that will be remembered by the performers, directors, and audience alike.


Top: Richard Gallion, Justin Weinzierl, Jordan Coleman, Zachary Wold, Joshua Kerwood, Alex Kalausich, and Matthew Stole during "Alone At The Drive In Movie;" Above: Tara Niebeling, Lauren Krukoski, Danielle Miller, Katie Hedstrom, and Bria Torgeson singing Freddie My Love.


Back Row: Kyle Niebling, Sam Holtberg, Ben Rickle, Emily Capaul, Rebecca Lund, Eric Held, Tim Lund, Addison Born, Keelan Ryan, Tyler Stevenson, Matthew Gibbs. Third Row: Nicholas Ramm, Richard Gallion, Alex Kalausich, Katie Brown, Bria Torgeson, Tara Niebling, Jordan Coleman, Joshua Ramm, Allison Stole, Adrienne Donnel, Jason Kaare, Joshua Goergen, Timothy Gregory. Second Row: Timothy Berry, Danielle Miller, Katherine Jonas, Ashley Iacona, Kathryn Laulianen, Anthony Stockert, Anna Ayers-Lobby, Mariesa Hipolito, Courtney Wallace, Justin Weinzierl, Matthew Stole, Devin Meierding, Zach Wold, Joshua Kerwood, Heather Snyder, Kelly Munson. Front Row: Anne Kidder, Shawn Stelton,

Below: Anthony Stockert, playing the part of Johnny Casino, singing "Born to Hand Jive" at the Rydell High School dance. Bottom:The Teen Angel played by Timothy Gregory.


"I was meant for the stage, I was meant
for the curtain..." -The Decemberists

## Taking the Lead

 Council leads the school in new eventsThis year, the WHS Student Council has really worked hard to come up with new and exciting ideas for the student body. Along with the events that take place every year, like organizing Homecoming week, they worked at putting together new events at WHS. In order to jump start
Homecoming week, the student council organized a bonfire at the Knights of Columbus Park to get the students fired up for Homecoming. Also, new to WHS this year was the Film Festival for the
senior class. Other events organized by the Student Council were Tukey Bingo and the Blood Drive. The main goal for the WHS Student Council is to coordinate schools activities and promote school spirit. The Student Council has nineteen members in grades nine through twelve. Jenny VanKirk is the president, Becky Solheim is the Vice President and Kim Melchert is the Secretary. The Student Council's advisor is Mrs. Melchert.


Back Row: Michael Bly, Kevin Lenzen, Laura Hedges, Taylor Melius, Kylie Wroge, Alicia Champagne, Phylicia Short, Cassie Norton, Leah Froehling; Middle Row: Becky Solheim, Jenny VanKirk, Renee Seib, Katie Morimoto, Kim Melchert, Laura Jensen; Front Row: Sarah Northrup, Lucy Tongen, Anna Ayers-Looby, Christine Deering.

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\square \square \square \square \text { "We make the }
$$ decisions, that's what we do..." -INXS member, Katie Morimoto discussing upcoming events.



Middle Right: Laura Hedges and Taylor Melius advertising the Snowball dance put on with help from student council and and FCCLA; Above: Cassie Norton, Sarah Northrup, and Lucy Tongen sitting in a committee.


Middle Left: Freshman, Mercedes Tolzman helping an elementary students with her math; Above: Freshman, Kelsey Hoen reading with her student at Southview.

## Helping the Future Students contribute towards the future of District 110

Every Wednesday morning a handful of high school students wake up earlier than usual and tutor younger district 110 students. These high school students go to Southview, Bayview, Clearwater or St. Joe's to tutor mostly second graders. They help them learn how to read, add and subtract, and help with comprehension skills.

Mrs. Weinand is the director and there are more than twenty high school students who participate. One reason
these students tutor is so they can earn NHS hours. "America Reads is a great way to earn NHS hours and its rewarding to know your helping younger students," said by junior, Meagan Bozak.

Even though it is just for thirty minutes a week, these high school students impact young lives and help them learn new things. This organization is dedicated to making the future of district 110 better.


Back Row: Mrs. Weinand, Heather Snyder, Zach Wold, Emily Storms, Garrett Sohns, Rachel Horner, Amy Culver, Hayley Mueller-Milne. Front Row: Nicole Anderson, Catherine McAvoy, Catherine Carrier, Anna AyersLooby, Leah Moore, Kim Radermacher, Anna Philp, and Kayla Schumann.
$\square$ " $\square$ "Share the

## knowledge with your friends..." -The Ataris



Back Row: Ms. Lund, Erik Haugsby, Laura Hedges, Michael Schnedler, Tim Lund, Patrick Mathwig; Front Row: Sarah Kelley, Christine Kim, Michael Bly.

Mock Trial is an exciting activity that gives students inside views into our legal system. It puts participants into the courtroom in the rolls of witnesses and attourneys, arguing their case in front of experienced judges. In addition to scrimmages against other schools, teams compete at the region level for a trip to the state tournament.

Mock Trial meets every Monday and Thursday from 3 to 5 and is led by Ms. Lund. Scrimmages are held in January and meets in February.

Overall, Mock Trial allows and helps students to understand legal systems in the United States.

" Can I get a witness..." -Stevie Wonder



Back Row: Pat Puckett, Colin Foust, Brittany Sellman, Eric Haugsby, Michael Bly, Brandy Reichenberger,Rachel Horner, Amy Anerson, Emily Halvorson, Patrick Mathwig,Morgan Woosely, Joe St.Amand; Front Row: Olivia Younkin, Becky Parkinson, Dianne Parkinson, Laura Northrup.

With around twenty-five students now active in math league, the organization's popularity has obvioulsy grown since past years. Led by Mrs. Lesher and Mr. Hanson, students meet once a week to learn about math and practice for competitions. Students take tests and compete against other schools to get the best score at competitions, usually held in Shakopee. "It's not whether you win or lose, it's all about how much mischief you can get into," said Lesher. Though Delano tends to take first at competitions, the team agrees that there is no doubt Waconia has the most fun.

The Science Team this year has fifteen members, and it is directed by Mr. Berg. The team works every Tuesday to get prepared for their competitions. The team works on building projects for competitions and building skills to help them perform better in competitions. Science Team participated in three competitions this year. The competitions took place from January to March. They competed against other schools in various Science topics. "I love the competitions because their fast-pased, tense, and always unexpected," said Berg. Not only does the team do fairly well at competitions they say they have a blast everytime.


Back Row: Mr. Berg, Eric Haugsby, Dylan Brown, Patrick Mathwig, Joe St.Amand, Nicole Good, Amy Culver, Camille Moore, Laura Northrup; Front Row: Darwin Errich, Charlie Korteum, Jenna Venske, Amiranda Brynkson

## "And the tractor keeps rollin'..." -Brad Paisley

The Waconia FFA this year has 13 members. Denis Bjorklund is the director for both the Waconia and Chaska chapters of FFA. The highlight of the year is always the Corn Drive which is a fundraiser where the FFA organization goes around and asks farmers for a donation of corn or money. The corn is sold to a famer and the money goes to the FFA organization. Other events that FFA participate in are dairy judging, which is where FFA members will be competing at the state competition, soil judging, crop science, dairy foods, horse judging, and many more. This organization helps students learn about a career in the agricultural field.


Back Row: Travis Melchert, Colan VanEyll, Lee Taylor, Brian Loscheider, Kevin Worm, Kyle Hoen; Front Row: Jeff Klein, Stacie Seaman, Kari Hoen, Kelsey Hoen, Cody Menth; Not Pictured: Josh Artmann, Katelyn Rambow.

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Concert Band: Back Row: Ryan Peterson, Alex Quiring, Laura Jensen, John Bly, Mr. Dunton; Second Row: Derek Eiden, Zach Wold, Alex Kalausich, Jenna Venske, Kristine Kroells, Riley Swier, Jenny VanKirk, Katie Hedstrom, Tabitha Schmidt; Front Row: Dylan Brown, Joe Timm, Evan Butteris, Keagan Stangret, Michael Hennen, Sam Cousin, Chelsie Vogel, Becky Solhiem, Megan Masurka, Chelsea Honerbrink, Molly Asbjornson, Kirsten Inderlie, Elizabeth Peterson


Symphonic Band: Back Row; Tim Gregory, Mary-Beth Christensen, Camille Moore, Katelyn Rambow, Brooke Gatheridge, Nicole Willems, Ashley Carlson, Chelsey Rossell, Phylicia Short, Amy Anderson, Cory Vogel, Brandy Reichenberger, Kara Breska; Front Row: Brittany Sellmann, Kala Cermack Brianna Hartman, Bryan Wessale, Jayse Ely, Katherine Carrier, Addison Born, Sara Clark, Jason Kaare, Rachel Horner, Jackie Wagner, Cassandra Sinclair, Mr. Dunton


Freshmen Band: Back Row: Eric Held, Josh St. Amand, Anders Culver, Caleb Talbert, Keelan Ryan, Ken Miyamoto, Zach Hintgen, Gavin Woodland, Jacklyn Surat, Aaron Albani, Gattlin Miller, Amanda Grindahl, Kelsey Connor; Front Row: Mr. Dunton, Kyle Niebeling, Matt Gibbs, Steven Wert, Michael Diehl, Samuel Henninger, Aaron Hulke, Patrick Van Kirk, Cory Gieske, Jon Heimdal, Cody Swier, Shannon Curtis, Kyla Thorson, Kara Bakke.


Concert Band: Back Row; Katie Asbjornson, Jenny Nelson, Anna Philp, Kari Buesgens, Kelsey Goergen, Mary Dewesee, Ashley Ament, Jessica Glashan, Tim Lund, Catherine McAvoy, Erin Porter, Connor Wickenhauser. Front Row; Mr. Dunton, Christine Anderson, Ashley Iacona, Amanda Bammert, Katelyn Larkin, Jessica Krautbauer, Christine Kim, Leika Schmidt, Amy Brennan, Courtney Wallace, Taylor Melius, Katie Parris.


Symphonic Band: Back Row: Michael Frey, Tyler Claase, Erin Salveson, Katelin Boehm, Anna Hedstrom, Matt Stole, Ethaṇ Gutzmann-Williams, Andy Newman, Anna Ayers-Looby, Katelyn Olson, Ashley Tuley, Nicole Good, Haiti Holtberg, Michael Schnedler, Scott Bullis, Will Terry, Christine Deering; Front Row: Ryan Rague, Austin Schmitt, Lance Neubauer, David Klingelhutz, Greg Farlow, Jens Larsen, Ben Rickle, Katie Luce, Terra Peterson, Hannah Swift, Camille Moore, Brandy Reichenberger, Jayse Ely, Sara Clark, Nolan Weber, Sam Mock, Nick Liftin, Mr. Dunton


Freshmen Band: Back Row: Sarah Northrup, Kjerstin Haugsby, Stefanie Cluff, Tyler Stevenson, Clint Borka, Kyle Pingeon, Jackson Melius, Jessica Vogel, Cassie Faust, Emily Cook, Alexa Klos, Kara Poise, Cassy Nortom, Melanie Grangaard, Lucy Tongen, Jessica Evjen, Glenda Pomer, Rebecca Mueller; Second Row: Mr. Dunton, Emily Capaul, Becky Lund, Stephanie Wymore, Kelly Deweese, Megan Rademacher, Maddie Brown, Jessica Hunter, Meryl Pogatchnik, Dusty Hanson, Eli Stangret, Tommy Korteum Kyla Smith, Maggie Stivers, Hali Germond, Rachel Mathwig; Front Row: David Butz, Brit Inderlie, Kevin Stahn, Josh Goergen, Brianna Sullivan, Kyra Daugherty, Lani Massengale, Edith Lee, Amanda Quiring,Emily Halverson

## Creative Output

## Students shine through the well-developed program

"I enjoy being in band because we get to show our creativity though music," said sophomore, Brianna Hartmann about the band program. The Waconia High School band programs have had much success over the years. This year has been no different. Over twohundred musicians
participated in one of the four bands this school year. Performing in four concerts each year, the band students keep busy by rehearsing and playing during their band hours. The director, Mr. Dunton, also makes sure his students have fun by having a few "Fun Fridays" throughout the


Wind Ensemble: Back Row: Kyle Mckeever, Jessica Davis, Chelsea Engstrom, Kelly Hulke, Jaren Stangret, Sarah Boughton, Amy Culver, Patrick Mathwig, Katie Becker, Joe Timm, Aaron Wagner, Erik Haugsby, Michael Bly, Andrew Overson, Caleb Poehler; Second Row: Liz Melchert, Amanda Dingwall, Elisa Kelsey; Front Row: Brandon Wachholz, Rianna Segner, Janell Anderson, John Bakke, TJ Selvey, Sam Holtberg, Matt Neubauer, Katherine Jonas, Katheryn Laulainen, Colin Faust, Charlie Korteum, Jessica Kroells, Laura Grangaard, Desiree Dantona, Tara Niebling, David Hobbs, Mr. Dunton.
year. "Band is a really fun experience," says senior, and four year band member, Anna Philp, "It will be an amazing memory to leave high school with." Band is a class and activity that WHS students have definitely utilized and enjoyed this year.


Top Left: Concert band rehearing for the holiday concert in the auditorium; Above: Director, Mr. Dunton, tuning the saxophones during a rehearsal.
$\square \square \square \square$ "We all get lost in the music we make..." -Coco Lee

## We've Got Spirit The Pep Band gets the crowd and team motivated

The Pep Band always seen at football, volleyball, basketball, and soccer games tend to get looked at as loud blasting and students screaming "Hey Baby." These students have a job to do though: use their music and voices to get the crowd, cheerleaders, and team motivated and full of school spirit. "I love pep band because I can just dance, play, sing, and hang out with friends," said junior, Amy Culver.

The WHS pep band is a requirement for every band student, grades nine through eleven. They practice a couple days during band hours in the beginning of the year and then usually memorize their music after that. These students have fun playing all the energizing music, and their excitement shows at every performance. Varsity games wouldn't be the same without the pep band.

Below: Kara Bakke on the trumpet and Margaret Stivers on the clarinet reading music at a basketball game.


Left: The pep band playing "Eye of the Tiger" during a boys varsity basketball game; Top Middle: David Klinglhutz, John Bly, Evan Butteris, and Keagan Stangret with their instruments in the gym; Above: Jens Larson rocking out on the trap set.

Below: Addison Born, Edith Lee, and Danielle Petersen sitting it the saxophone section at a Jazz Platinum practice.


Middle Top: Keelan Ryan, Brady Roth, and Kyle Niebling tuning their guitars at a practice. Above: Sam Holtberg, Jens Larson, and Laura Grangaard in between songs at a nursing home performance; Right: Jazz I in their performance set up during a holiday show.

## All That Jazz

Students learn how to play in new ways
"It's fun to learn how to play different styles of music, it really makes you appreciate them," said sophmore Jens Larson about jazz band at WHS. Jazz I and Jazz Platinum are the two jazz bands at the high school. Jazz I is a twenty-one member band that usually meets before school and has about ten performances throughout the year. One of their most important performances is at a festival in Duluth, MN. Jazz Platinum is a band
that you do not need to audition for and is mainly for students who want to have fun and learn about jazz music. Jazz Platinum attended a festival at University of MinnesotaMorris this year. The jazz bands can also be found performing in the high school and Clearwater lobbies throughout the holiday season. Though all bands at Waconia High School are talented and have many amazing musicians, many agree that jazz band is the most fun to watch.

 jazz guy and play the greatest American music..." -The Presidents of the United States of America

## Successful Singing Choir program continues to expand and progress each year

The choir program at WHS is known throughout the state as being outstanding. With more than 130 students, choir has made a name for itself at the high school. Varisty, Concert, and Cantabile are the three choirs that practice throughout the week. Every other day choir students learn, study, and sing their concert music with director, Mr. Olson. There were four concerts put on
in the auditorium this year. The auditorium seats were packed with family and WHS students each night. An extra-curricular choir was added on to the program this year. Chamber Choir is an auditioned group and meets once a week after school. They performed at different local businesses and parties throughout the holiday season, along with performing at choir concerts. With the growth
of concert choirs, showchoir, and now chamber choir, it is obvious that the program is making an impact on WHS students. "I'm in choir becuase I love to sing and choir is fun and teaches me things," said freshman, Gattlin Miller. With so many talented and bright students, choir promises to only improve in coming years at Waconia High School.


Back Row: Aaron McKinney, Gattlin Miller, Aaron Barden, Donovan Johnson, Jackon Melius, Nick Ramm, Alex Osborn, Joash Georgen, Kevin Oleson, Chris Pierce, Steven Wert; Middle Row: Lynne McMullen, Sarah Northrup, Lucy Tongen, Michelle Kroells, Mary Polding, Kelly Deweese, Jenna Otremba, Amy Krautbauer, Ashley Schueble, Brittany Burr, Hallie Miller, Rose McCallister, Jenna Mossberg, Kelly Munson; Front Row: Mandi Selvey, Cheyenne Dantona, Amanda Grindahl, MicKayla Hegr, Jackie Surat, Rachel Mathwig, Dianne Parkinson, Hannah Kimyon, Emily Capaul, Kyla Smith, Tami Reinke, Brittney Ellis, Kelsey Hoen.


Back Row: Joel Swenson, Brian Krahulec, Richard Gallion, Kelly Olson, Chris Falk, Alex Quiring, Matt Wessale, Kevin Deering, Joe Timm, Ryan Frey, Mitch Karels, Zach Wold, Josh Kerwood, Josh Ramm, Alex Kalausich, Aaron Wagner; Third Row: Molly Mcdonald, Laura Kahymeyer, Nicole Shewchuck, Elizabeth Melcher, Ashlei Wood, Danielle Miller, Jessica Glashan, Ashley Ament, Tabithat Schmidt, Katie Hedstrom, Elizabeth Fischbach, Brittany Chaffee, Bria Torgeson, Jenna Venske, KT Brown; Second Row: Autumn Mangels, Courtey Wallace, Nichole Anderson, Jennifer Harold, Alison Stole, Kathryn Laulainen, Ashley Iacona, Lauren Krukowski, Tara Niebling, Jessica Krautbauer, Katie Becker, Brittany Schoer, Kati Bren; First Row: Shari Thaemer, Catherine McCavoy, Rachel Nystrom, Leika Schmidt, Christine Kim, Lindsey Schmidt, Taylor Melius, Apryl Lamberger, Melissa Kahymeyer, Katie Parris.


Back Row: Lance Neubauer, Andy Newman, Matt Stole, Nick Litfin, Greg Farlow, Zach Slice, Devin Meierding, Jason Kaare, Sam Mock, Tim Gregory, Jake Cowley,Dalton Lingbeck, Derek Anderson, Andrew Schmidt, Trent Murray, Brian Olson; Middle Row: Adrienne Donnel, Christine Deering, Amanda Pederson, Kelly Brink, Nicole Willems, Brandy Reichenberger, Mariesa Hipolito, Jessica Splettstoeszer, Samantha Sorenson, Lacey Dahl, Amiranda Brynteson. Front Row: Allison Melbye, Anna Hedstrom,Kala Cermack, Ashley Deleeuw, Kaitlin Olson, Anna Ayers-Looby, Emily Schmitt, Terra Peterson, Kayla Sayre, Courtney Elasky, StephanieQuaschnick.

## ■ - - "Can the choir please give me a verse?..." -Kanye West

## It's Show Time Power Company travels all the way to Orlando to compete

The Waconia show choir started in 1998 and has consistently increased its repuation as a formidable high school show choir. The Power Company is a competitive show choir that consists of forty singers, a thirteen piece band, and an eight member stage crew. Auditions for Power Company are held in the spring for the next school year. Power Company
begins rehearsals in August and they continue through March. The competitions for the Power Company were in January, Feburaury, and March. This year the show choir was in seven competitions including Showstopper Nationals in Orlando, Florida. Dance captains this year were seniors, Ashley Iacona and Tara Niebeling. The show was choreographed
by Damon Brown, the director of the group is Aaron Olson, and this year Timothy Berry directed the Megawatt Band. "The music is really cool and fun to dance to this year," said junior member, Zach Wold. With a heart-pounding, wellchoreographed show, Power Company succeeded during competitions and made many memories while doing it.


Back Row: Kelly Munson, Kyla Smith, Kathryn Carrier, Kyle Niebeling, Corey Vogel, Sarah Boughton, Ben Rickel, Brittany Sellman, Camille Moore, Addison Born, Alex Quiring, Scott Bullis, Joel Swenson, Tyler Stevenson, Samantha Sorenson, Brian Olson; Fourth Row: Josh Ramm, Ryan Frey, Alex Kalausich, Josh Kerwood, Richard Gallion, Andy Newman, Nick Ramm, Matt Stole, Zach Wold; Third Row: Ashlei Wood, Lauren Krukowski, Ashley Iacona, Anna Hedstrom, Bria Torgeson, Danielle Miller, Kelly Deweese, Adrienne Donnel, KT Brown; Second Row: Zach Slice, Anna Ayers-Looby, Sam Mock, Mary Polding, Greg Farlow, Brandy Reichenberger, Nick Litfin, Allison Melbye, Jason Kaare, Alison Stole, Brian Krahulec, Jessica Kratbauer; Front Row: Nicole Willems, Josh Goergen, Tara Niebeling, Jake Cowley, Autumn Mangels, Gattlin Miller, Hannah Kimyon, Devin $\overline{\text { Meierding, Kelsey Hoen, Steven Wert, Kathryn Laulainen. }}$


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part where you hit the dance floor..." -On Madeline's Heels

Right: Zach Slice and Devin Mierding dancing their hearts out during "Cross The Line"; Below: Striking their last pose, the Power Company members leave the audience wanting more.


Right: Anna Ayers-Looby singing her heart out during the ballad, "Piazza Medley"; Above: Seniors, Kathryn Laulainen and Ashley Iacona, dancing in the front row on the High School stage during the annual spaghetti dinner performance.

## Week of Excitement FCCLA students make Winterfest week fun and educational

It was another successful Winterfest Week at Waconia High School this year. Put on by sophmores Anna AyersLooby and Christine Deering, along with help from both FCCLA and Student Council, the week was a fun way to break up the winter months. Winterfest was kick started with the formal Snowball dance on

Saturday night. "The dance went great, we had an overwhelming number of people there. Everyone said they had a blast," said Ayers-Looby. Pajama Day, Decade Day, Twin Day, Movie Star Day, and Duct Tape Day were the dress up days throughout the week. There was also a dating violence and meth presentation during the week, organized by other

FCCLA and SADD students. The week ended with the pep fest. Brandon Weinzierl and Olivia Boll were crowned Mr. Legs and Ms. Lips, juniors won the tug-o-war, and Mike Mikhalash won the pie eating contest. Overall, Ayers-Looby and Deering say that it was rewarding how successful the week went.


## Pajama Day



Decade Day


Twin Day


Left Page: Far Left: Jenny Van Kirk crowning Mr. Legs, Brandon Weinzierl at the pep fest; Middle: Cara Crawford, John Bly, and Shannon Engler trying to eat their pie the fastest at the pep fest. This Page Bottom Left: Seniors, Kevin Zimmermann, Joe Nord, Keli Leiverman, Angie Rasmussen, and Jenny Van Kirk getting pumped to crush the juniors at tug-of-war. Below: Junior Mike Mikhalash at the pep fest on the tug-ofwar team pulling his hardest; Left: Junior girls, all dressed up, at the entrance of the dance.


Favorite Movie Star Day


## Duct Tape Day



From Left to Right: Senior, Renee Seib, wearing her most comfortable clothes on Pajama Day; Freshmen, Carmen Prins, and Jackie Surat, in full 80 's and 50 's gear on Decade Day; Sophomores, Becca Dummer, Amanda Sullivan, Sara Pasket, and Jessie Schonhardt, looking identical on Twin Day; Jake Hayes was mistaken all day for his favorite movie character, Ace Ventura; Freshman, Kyla Smith, wearing a dress completely made out of duct tape.

"It's getting harder and harder

to breathe..." -Maroon 5

Opposite Page: Following tradition, Coach Grundhoffer leads the team in the "C-A-T-S" cheer after a win at home; Right: Sam Sterner blocking an extra point kicked by New Prague; Bottom Right: Waconia offense set to hike the ball against Watertown-Mayer's defense.

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| 27 | Litchfield | 38 |
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| 22 | Dassel-Cokato | 20 |
| 6 | New Prague | 13 |



# FOOTBALL 

Back Row: Coach Foley, Coach Olsen, Coach Myhre, Coach Bender, Coach McDonald, Coach Zaske, Coach Herrmann, Jeff Morgan; Sixth Row: Joseph Timm, Chad Wolf, Evan Butteris, Brody Scheff, Nick Sudheimer, Alex Quiring, Craig Boll, Riley Swier, Matt Clemensen, Mike Clemensen, Ian Redshaw, Ryan Frey, Dillon Hackbarth, Kevin Ebert; Fifth Row: Jerad Spike, Darwin Ehrreich, Keagan Stangret, Nick Sterner, Kelly Olson, Nicholas Miller, Derek Earls, Andrew Newman, Ethan Gutzmann-Williams, Ryan Buetow, Jordan Sutherland, Jeff Hable; Fourth Row: Eric Aeling, Austin Schmitt, Tyler Clouse, Ryan Rague, Brandon Haugen, Nicholas Cook, Michael Frey, Bradley Weinzierl, Steven Frempong-Longdon, John Shaw, Cody Boll; Third Row: Kevin Bullis, Luke Sullivan, Kyle Durkin, Marcus Dummer, Braedon Schmidt, Sam Sterner, Joe Nord, Mark Schrupp, Kevin Zimmerman, Jake Stanton, DJ Earls; Second Row: Jason Menth, Justin Klinglhutz, Nick Lano, Devin Neoldner, Jason Brandenburg, Jake Manuel, Matt Tegels, TJ Koehler, Kyle Hoen, David Hobbs; First Row: Mitchell Kelzer, Mitchel Frey, Jesse Jaworski, Joseph Brandenburg, Breck Raymond, Nicholas Litfin, Eric Menth, Lance Neubauer

"Have the guts, got the glory..."
-Survivor


## Ficht to the Finish

Senior leadership guides the team to victories

The Waconia High School varsity football team had an excellent year finishing fourth in a tough conference. The team fought to the finish at every single game and achieved their goal of winning a play-off game. The Wildcats were led by three amazing captains: Joe Nord, Sam Sterner, and Mark Schrupp. These three pushed the team to pull together and achieve all the objectives set before them. "It's not easy for the coaches to show everyone
what to do all the time," said junior, Evan Butteris, "the captains' and seniors' experience really helped out the rest of us." The team had an impressive record of 6-4 this year ending the season with a 6 13 loss to New Prague. Though the Wildcats are losing twenty seniors, there is a very good outlook for next year's team. Junior, Brody Scheff said, "We're ready to take over and hopefully have a really good season next year."



## VOLLETBALL



Back Row: Coach Schwirtz, Coach Latour, Elizabeth Fischbach, Chelsea Honebrink, Jenny VanKirk, Coach Lee; Front Row: Kayla Schuman, Emma Denbrook, Nanette Ristow, Keli Leivermann, Anna Philp, Katie Larkin.


Top: Kayla Schuman spiking the ball over the net as teammates Keli Leievermann and Anna Philp look on; Above: JV and Varisty players taking a group photo with WHS students and friends on fan appreciation night.
"How you want it?...cuz you about to get served..." -Mobb Deep


The 2005 volleyball team had a very successful year. They played true to their saying, "All out, no regrets." They finished the season 22-6 and went 6-1 in their conference after losing to the eventual
ourselves." Senior cocaption Chelsea Honebrink agreed, "We made a lot of memories on and off the court this year." Some of the team's favorite memories were taking first at both of their

Left: The varisty team, sitting in the bleachers, watching their fellow JV teammate's game; Below: A varsity team huddle.
 conference champs, Dassel-

## SETTIMS GOALS

 Team sets and meets season objectivesCokato. The Wildcats finished undefeated at home, a rare feat for any volleyball team. They earned a number five seed in their section. The season came to an end on October 29, 2005 when the team lost to the number four seeded Hutchinson Tigers.

When asked how the season went, senior cocaption Anna Philp said, "Great! We had so much fun and we achieved so many goals that we set for
bus rides, especially when they were attacked by Keli Leivermann and Nanette Ristow. The team had a core group of seven seniors who led the way for the three talented juniors during the season. Captions Anna Philp and Chelsea Honebrink especially made large contributions to the team. Volleyball at WHS has been successful for many years and looks as though it will be for years to come.


Below: Team seniors, Matt Neubauer, Olivia Boll, Kevin Deering, Mackenzie Collins, and Matt Larkin enjoying their popsicles and showing off their strength after defeating Cemetery Hill.


Right: The varsity boys waiting for the gun to go off and begin their run; Below: Freshman, Amanda Iverson, racing her way toward the finish line on the Crown College course.

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Boys Cross Country Team: Back Row: Coach Wasness, Coach Skerik, Brian Wessale, Matt Wessale, Zach Slice, Shawn Osterkamp, Calvin Schmitt, David Klinglhutz, Coach Machtemas; Middle Row: Colin Foust, Trevor O'Konek, Gaitlan Miller, Hans Gunness, Matt Neubauer, Cody Redshaw, Coach Klein; Front Row: Kevin Deering, Michael Bly, Kevin Lenzen, Matt Larkin, Ben Timmers.


Girls Cross Country Team:Back Row: Anna Hedstrom, Hallie Miller, Jackly Surat, Brittany Sellman, Kaitlin Olson, Kala Cermack, Anna Ayers-Looby, Carmen Prinns, Stephanie Cluff, Allison Melby. Second Row: Melanie Grangaard, Kaitlin Boehm, Am anda Iverson, Ariana Pener, Amanda Corson, Christine Deering, Cassie Faust, Laura Jensen. Front Row: Cassie Giesinger, Amanda Bammert, Olivia Boll, Mackenzie Collins, Amanda Dingwall, Stefanie Wymore, Lucy Tongen.


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## Leadership qualities shine throughout season

The cross country team starts the season the same every year; they have the hardest two weeks of their lives. The coaches push them to the limit so that the team will be in good shape for the first meet. This year there were eight seniors on the team who were the team captains and pushed their younger teammates to work their hardest. A tradition for the cross country team has been team meals the night
before a meet. The team meals are usually at a senior's home and the family makes pasta for the team. Though Mr. Machtemes has been the cross country coach for fifteen years, this was the first season he ever attended any team meals. This year was a rebuilding year which made it very memorable. Many memories were made and there are sure to be many more memories in coming seasons.


Far Right: David Hobbs about to kick the ball in an attempt to score a goal; Right: Senior, Tyler Ludwigson, dribbling the ball down the field.

## Us



Photos by Brad Unangst

## BロMS SロCCER Team has another successful building year



Back Row: Nolan Weber, Joe Weaver, David Hobbs, Justin Ely, Samuel Mock, Chris Crundwell, Tim Lund; Front Row: John Bly, Steven Lado, Josh Henninger. Not Pictured: Sam Wasmund, Alex Schnedler, Charlie Kortuem, Matt Douville, Tyler Ludwigson, Brandon Wachholz.

Boys soccer is one of the newest sports programs that Waconia has to offer. This past season for boys soccer was a season of developement. Tyrel Seim, the head coach for the varsity team had very fond memories of this season, one of them was when the Waconia boys stuck on Orono till the last minute, even though Orono won 1-2. The team had some goals for the season: to competitively compete and to establish a strong program for WHS.
"We had a rough beginning, but near the end of the season, we started to come together as a team," said Chris Crundwell, a junior on the varsity soccer team. The team had nine seniors who all rotated as captains and at the end of the season they could say that they all had fun. With a 68 record, Seim was proud of the team. "They really worked hard in practice and games," he said. Hopes for next year are to build on the program and to win more games.


## GIRLS SOCCER <br> Bondinc Time Team gains skills and friendships throughout season



Back Row: Coach Fritz, Lauren Rice, Nicole Willems, Katie Luce, Leah Christenson, Ali Dunkelberger, Amanda Pederson, Mary Deweese, Manager Becky Parkinson, Erin Porter, Taylor Melius, Sara Northrup, Dianne Parkinson, Mary Polding, Katherine Carrier, Amanda Selvey, Coach Lesher; Front Row: Krista Polding, Kirsten Blegen, Becky Solheim.
"It was the most fun season of any sport I have ever had. Everyone loved each other and wanted to spend time together. That, in turn, made us a better team on the field," said senior captain, Becky Solheim about the girls soccer season this year. Coached by Mrs. Lesher, the team ended the season with a 7-7 record. Some memorable moments were finally beating Shakopee and a game against Saint Cloud Cathedral when they tied the game to go
into overtime. Solheim says she hoped that along with fitness and skills, her team gained important relationships. She adds that she feels like her teammates are her sisters. The captains were Becky Solheim, Kirsten Blegen, and Krista Polding. The three have played together for years and decided this was their favorite. As the girl's soccer program at WHS continues to build so does the talent and love for the sport.


Top Left: Callie Schroeder and Emily Sanborn doing down poses on beam. Below: Dana Gentz doing a scorpian on the beam. Far bottom left: Katie Grinnell on beam doing a hand stand. Bottom middle: Brittany Van Houtte getting ready to do a back walkover on the beam.


## Risinc Above Young age doesn't stop these

 girls from success
## ธTmחASTICS

Despite the young age of the gymnastics team, it was a extremely successful year. Sending freshman, Amanda Sinnen, to state was an amazing accomplishment. The head coach this year was Stephanie Swenson along with assistant coaches Kim Anderson and Mickie Troops. The team had two freshmen captains, Amanda Sinnen and Allie Wright. "I like having people look up to me and ask me for
advice," said Allie Wright about her position as captain. This year the team focused on getting the team's score in the 120 's, and they also wanted to stick their beam routines. The coach's favorite memory of this year was when the girls got the other teams to do the cha cha slide and the Macarena with them. A favorite quote of team, which they used at every meet was "Wildcats! Get your head in the game!"


Above: Back Row: Coach Stephanie Swenson, Callie Schroeder, Amanda Wood, Assistant Coach Kim Anderson; Second Row: Emily Sanborn, Kyra Dorty, Ashley Conkey, Mickie Toops; First Row: Tara Zuraff, Turi Hjelsand.

## "Take that leap of faith..." -Lee Ryan

## 104 Gymnastics



Left: Junior, Laura Jensen, at a meet in a slalom skiing course; Below: Laura Jensen, Leah Froehling, and teammates waiting their turn to compete at a meet.


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First ever ski team for wHS ALPIME SHIIПC is extremely successful

Alpine skiing is probably something few WHS students know much about. More commonly known as downhill skiing, these athletes compete in slalom skiing, which requires leg strength, timing, precision, balance, and speed. Laura Jensen, Leah Froehling, and Shana Froehling were the three pioneers to join the first ever Alpine Ski team Waconia offered, which joins with students from Mound-Westonka, Holy Family, and WatertownMayer. "I cannot honestly
imagine having a better winter sports experience. Everyone on the team improved their skiing a lot this year and we really bonded as a team," said Jensen about her season. The fourteen girls practiced two or three days a week at Hyland Hills then competed in slalom meets held at Powder Ridge or Hyland Hills. Leah Froehling has high hopes for next season, "I think that we will have a strong varsity team and I'm excited to see how well we do."


Above: The three waconia pioneers, Shana Froehling, Leah Froehling, and Laura Jensen.

Below: Kayla Sayre and Kim Rademacher during the dancelines jazz routine; Right and Bottom: Danceline performing their high kick routine at the Winterfest Pep Fest; Right Page: Top Left: Danceline performing at the Winterfest Pep Fest. Top Right: The team during a Jazz performance at a competiton. Bottom Right: Jen Bakke, Stephanie Wothe, Chelsea Engstrom, Amanda Corson, Kayla Sayre, during the hick kick routine.



## Dance Team



Back Row: Amy Segner, Nina Salveson; Fourth Row: Lisa Rasmussen, Brianna Wall, Amanda Corson, Mary-Beth Christensen, Cassidy Stumm, Stephanie Wothe; Third Row: Erin Salveson, Courtney Elasky, Amber Quaschnick, Erin Porter, Stephanie Quaschnick, Kayla Sayre, Brittni Sweeney; Second Row: Jennifer Bakke, Catherine McAvoy, Nicole Anderson, Vicky Vue; Front Row: Kimberly Rademacher, Chelsea Engstrom, Chelsie Vogel.


"This year's team has been the strongest it has been in the last four years," said captain, Chelsie Vogel about the WHS dance team this year. Even though the girls missed state by a half
resembles a family this year, we all reached our personal best together. These girls are like my sisters," said captain, Chelsea Engstrom. The team was coached by Amy Segner and the team


## ALL In THE FAmilu <br> Team unity shows in high scores

point, they still were very successful, and had a great season. The team trained a lot more than usual this season, beginning conditioning in the summer and worked especially hard on their jazz dance. The work paid off. The girls took first in both Jazz and High Kick in three competitions in a row. Each dancer accomplished many personal goals and the team grew close as the season progressed. "We created a program that
captains were Chelsie Vogel, Kim Rademacher, and Chelsea Engstrom. These three choreographed the dances for both high kick and their Jazz/Funk routines. Coach Segner said that the captains made it a point to get to know each dancer personally and were willing to help in any situation. Though the seniors' love for dance, leadership, and skill will be missed, there is a good outlook for future teams.
 crowd excited for the wrestling meet; Right: Jamie Carsten cheering loud at a basketball game; Next Page: Middle: Standing on the homecourt, basketball cheerleaders wait for the anthem to begin; Top: Fall cheerleaders on the Bayview track before a home football game Bottom: Cheerleader cheering at a wrestling meet.


## CHEARLEADICG



Fall Cheerleaders: Back Row: Brittany Chaffee, Melissa Kahmeyer, Katie Parris, Stephanie Quaschnick, Nicole Shewchuk, Sheena Sievers, Megan Bosak, Amber Quaschnick; Middle Row: Kaitlin Larsen, Stacie Seaman, Risa Watabe; Front Row: Paige Vigil, Tara Niebling


Winter Cheerleaders: Back Row: Katie Becker, Jazzline Mevissen, Kara Crawford; Front Row: Risa Watabe, Jamie Carston, Brittany Thorne, Jesssica Evjen, Katie Parris

## "We holler in an energetic motion



Photo by Michael Much

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## Cheerleaders work together to cover all sports

Teamwork was the goal for this year's WHS cheerleaders. One huge challenge was only having one winter cheer team to cover girls and boys basketball along with wrestling. According to Coach Redshaw, it made for an extremely busy year. The fall captain was Tara Neibling and the winter captains were Melissa Kahymeyer and Katie Parris. Redshaw said that Neibling was a great leader and hard worker and Kahymeyer
and Parris brought discipline to the squad on a peer level. One goal for the fall team was to further their stunting abilities which they succeeded at, performing two stunts that ended perfectly and were real crowd pleasers. The winter season was especially fun for the cheerleaders because of the overall success of the winter sport teams. The cheer squads at WHS continue only to improve and this year was no exception.


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## Seanc Patential Success helps team to realize their greatness



Above: Jason Kaare, Cody Redshaw, Ian Redshaw, Tyler Stroming, and Jason Cowley, the Waconia swimmers. Not Pictured: William Chandler, Daniel Leifermann, Alex Steinbrueck.

According to Cody Redshaw, a captain of the boys swim team, the season was amazing. Winning six meets in a row really allowed the team to see their potential. "All of the guys on the team have become really good friends, we now look and act like a team," says Redshaw about his Watertown-Mayer, Delano, and Waconia teammates. Chuck Charnstrom is the coach again this year and often shares lessons and proverbs with the boys,
which Cody says he learns from and enjoys. With only 8 of the 32 member team from Waconia, the boys hope that more WHS students will be interested in joining this sport in the future. "Being in swimming helps you to stay in shape and meet people from other towns," said Tyler Stroming. The team agrees that the bus rides, carb loads, and aftermeet parties are really fun. Though the number of WHS participants is small, the boys all take advantage of the experience.


## GIRLS SUIminic

## Degic ATIOT Girls give it their all the entire season



Back Row: Jessica Kroells, Olivia Younkin, Phylicia Short, Jenny Nelson, Leah Freohling, Megan Masurka, Allie Thomson, Meghan Durkin, Jessica Grinnell, Kristine Kroells, Leah Moore; Front Row: Stephanie Wothe, Elissa Selleck, Amber Chandler, Erica Hietz, Ashley Tuley, Ariel McCullum, Bethany Bertelson, Margret Stivers, Shana Froehling, Christina Rupp,Kyra Daugherty, Cassy Norton, Alexa Klos.

The girl's swim team had another successful season this fall. They once again broke records and sent senior, Jenny Nelson, to state. "The season was really fun and the team did pretty well, my goal was for everyone to do their best and compete at our highest level," said Nelson about her final season as a WHS swimmer. The captains this year were Jenny Nelson, Olivia Younkin, and Meghan Durkin, and
the team was coached by Chuck Charnstrom. "I enjoy being captain because it's fun to help the other girls," said Durkin. A most memorable moment for the team was attending sections at the U of M campus and when freshman, Cassy Norton, dropped a starting block in the deep end. Being on this team teaches the girls the importance of dedication and hard work, and will continue to in future seasons.

Right: Coach Doyscher coaching the team during a time out before they head back on the court to defeat the opponent; Below: VanKirk going up for a lay-up at a home game.

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| 54 | Mound-Westonka | 37 |
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| 49 | Albany | 68 |
| 50 | Totino-Grace | 33 |
| 58 | New Prague | 51 |
| 56 | Annandale | 45 |
| 61 | Dassel-Cokato | 43 |
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| 47 | Norwood-Young America | 28 |
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## GIRLS BBALL



Back Row: Mackenzie Collins, Anna Philp, Keli Leivermann, Nanette Ristow, Elizabeth Fischbach; Middle Row: Coach Lee, Katelyn Larkin, Kayla Schuman, Jenny VanKirk, Chelsea Honebrink, Jennifer Kutzke Amanda Dingwall, Coach Doyscher; Front Row: Kari Buesgens, Molly Asbjornson, Krista Polding, Katie Asbjornson, Meghan Durkin.



The 2005-2006 Wildcat girl's basketball team will go down in the record books. The team won the Wright County Conference for the first

Left: Mackenzie Collins leading the pack during a fast break at a home game against Mound-Westonka; Below: Anna Philp dribbling down the lane towards the basket at an away game against Mound-Westonka.

Photo by Dave Philp


## ШНATEVER IT TAHES

 Wright County champs for the first time in WHS historytime ever. Senior cocaptain, Jenny VanKirk, had a part in it, after not only scoring 1,000 points, but breaking both the boys' and girls' scoring records. The team had sixteen girls this year, with a large core group of seniors that led the way. Before each game, the team huddled together and yelled, "Whatever it takes!" This saying can sum up the reason for their success. Some of the highlights this year were winning the conference

Photo by Brad Unangst and the victory against Litchfield, when they won by twenty-three points after holding the Dragons to only two points in the second half. The team was

Far Right: Brody Scheff looking for a teammate open under the basket. Right: Mark Schrupp passing the ball to a teammate. Bottom Right: Kurtis Koening getting ready to shoot a free throw.

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## Bロ4S BBALL



Back Row: Chris Crundwell, Craig Boll, Joe Timm, Brody Scheff, Nick Sudheimer, Danny Kelzer, Jeff Hable; Middle Row: Coach Gove, Joey Drapcho, Drew Kating, Kurtis Koening, Garett Sohns, Kevin Ebert, Coach Konrardy, Coach Marsden; Front Row: T.J. Koehler, Mark Schrupp, Brent Dunkelberger, Coach Hayes, Sam Sterner, Matt Wessale, Jason Menth.


Right: Craig Boll on the ground after being charged by an opponent. Below: Joe Drapcho heading towards the basket to take a shot.


## Unstapp ABLE <br> Team experiences victory after victory

Unbelievable is the only word to describe the success of the boys basketball team this year. Winning conference and only losing one conference game is something to be proud of. "The team is great, they play well together and are very unselfish players," said Coach Hayes of his successful team. The captains of the team were Joe Drapcho, Mark Schrupp, and Brent Dunkelberger. Two of the most memorable games
were against WatertownMayer, defeating them both at home and on Watertown's court. "The game at home was crazy. The gym was packed and we came back from 13 points in the second half," says Brody Scheff about the first WatertownMayer game. "The boys were hoping to be competitors, they succeeded at that," said Hayes. Overall, the season was not only successful, but rewarding for both players and fans.


Right：Junior，Keagan Stangret，working for back points；Below：Kyle Durkin getting ready to pounce on his opponent as the ref blows the whistle．

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## リスビーTLIC



Back Row：Mike Pettit，Josh Artmann，Kyle Durkin，Keagan Stangret， Kevin Bullis，Joe Nord，Josh Beckmann，Braedon Schmidt，Mike Zaske； Middle Row：Kelly Olson，T．J．Selvey，Joe Larsen，Mike Jackels，Danny Hermann，J．P．Pawlek，Mark Vanderlinde；Front Row：Katelyn Larsen， Stacie Seaman，Nicole Eischens，Sara Clark

＂Pin you down and get inside your brain．．．＂－ICP


Top Left: Joe Nord waiting for the ref to blow the whistle ackowledging he pinned his opponent. Bottom Left: Joey Larson keeping his opponent down; Below: Danny Hermann locking up a pinning combination

## IJロRHIG TロGETHER

 Team accomplishes big goals set for themselvesSingles, doubles, high crotch, and standups. This is how WHS wrestling practice began every afternoon. This year's season was a successful one with many more wins than losses. Captain Josh Artmann said, "the team has done much better than I expected." Captain, Joe Nord, agrees, "We all started to realize that we were a good team and could be very successful." The highlight of the season to many wrestlers was defeating Buffalo, an undefeated team. The
team was once again coached by Kelly Wagner. Though the team didn't win conference they got the second most wins in WHS history and sent three wrestlers to state. Joe Nord placed first in the state tournament for the second year in a row. Artmann agrees that this has been a great season, "My hopes were that we would work together as a family and team to accomplish big goals. We certainly did that this year."



## HOCHE



Back Row: Eric Aeling, Derek Earls, Ben Brettingen, Greg Farlow, Brett Moore, Joe Brandenburg, John Shaw; Second Row: Kyle Rindahl, Candon Honebrink, Nick Lano, Nick Matheson, Andrew Walters, Aaron Dahlke; Front Row: Cody Boll, Andrew Armit, Robbie Smothers, Jake Manuel, Brandon Weinzierl.


Photos by Brad Unangst


## Higher Levels

## Moving into a conference brings tough competition

The 2006 hockey season was a year of great improvement. The team bonded by doing "The Green Wave," in the locker room after nearly every practice. This year was the first year that the hockey team played in a conference, which gave the team a chance to play at sections. Playing in a conference also upped the level of competition the team faced, playing top twenty ranked teams. The team played well together and they were able to beat tough teams like Mound-

Westonka in over time and Delano at Delano's home rink. The captains this year were seniors, Brandon Weinzierl, Nick Matheson, and Nick Lano. "I enjoyed the pressure that went along with being a captain. I liked helping the younger kids, showing them the ropes, and rising up to the challenge," said Lano about his duties as a captain. As for next year, Weinzierl hopes that they will go into next season as one of the teams to beat in the conference.



Girls Freshmen Volleyball Team: Back Row: Kara Pioske, Scotti Moats, Emily Storms, Maddie Brown; Second Row:Emily Capaul, Lauren Kalkes, Jenna Lester; Front Row: Emily Willems, Emily Smith-Joliffe.


Boys Freshmen Football Team: Back Row: Coach Herrmann, Nick Ramm, Kyle Morgan, Cody Swier, Austin Sullivan, Matt Gibbs, Coach Zaske; Third Row: Josh Condon, Derik Noeldner, Nate Ristow, Ben Tegels, Gatlin Woodland, Jaymes Schelitzche, Brian Broll, Mark Weiland; Second Row: Cory Gieske, Carter Ostlie, Josh Osterkamp, Joey Schermer, Kyle Pigeon, Preston Lalich, Jared Pawelk, Patrick Van Kirk, Eliot Ferron; Front Row: Shane Hallstrom, Chris Lieverman, Eli Stangret, Nathan Kelzer, Kyler Hanson, Jon Heimdal, Tommy Kortuem, Dan Edward.

## لunior V ARsity and Freshman Teams



Girls Freshmen Basketball Team: Back Row: Jenna Lester, Heather Snyder, Emily Storms, Amanda Iverson, Amy Krautbauer, Morgan Braunhausen, Coach Tiffany Kruger, Front Row: Cassie Fause, Erin Linden, Jessica Vogel, Caty Giesen, Jessica Hunter, Emily Smith-Joliffe.


Boys Freshmen Basketball Team: Back Row: Donavan Johnson, Nicholas Hennen, Nathan Ristow, Ryan Bradt, Cody Swier, Gatlin Woodland, Jonathan Kalthoff; Second Row: Tommy Korteum, Alex Osborn, Shane Ewalt, Cory Gieseke, Brandon Chappel, Eric Rathmanner, Eric Wolf; Front Row: Aaron Hulke, Patrick Van Kirk, Jonathan Heimdal, David Butz, Tanner Skaalerud, Alexander Hathaway.


Junior Varsity Girls Volleyball Team: Ayelen Cordoba, Molly Meeks, Jamie Rienke, Alicia Champagne, Coach Schwirtz; Middle Row: Katelyn Rambow, Chae'le Varnavas, Stephanie Reif, Emily Schmitt, Brooke Gatheridge, Kylie Wroge; Front Row: Kelly Brink, Kari Buesgens.


Girls Junior Varsity DanceTeam: Back Row: Paige Weiland, Katie Rademacher, Amy Segner, Rebecca Shirk; Middle Row: Ellie Brueggemeier, Temery Pasket, Ashley Deleeuw; Front Row: Kaydee Bohanon, Kristen Lederer, Natalie Kalkes, Molly Elasky


Boys Junior Varsity Basketball Team Back Row: Lance Neubauer, Dillion Hackbarth, Jordan Sutherland, Tyler Clause, Michael Frey, Andy Newman, Ryan Rague, Dalton Lingbeck; Front Row: Matt Gray, Andrew Vigil, Brandon Haugen, Coach Marsden, Josh Sterner, Nick Liftin, Mitchell Frey.
$\square \square$ "Play the game, We're like the blazin' flame, you know we're gonna break it up, rip it up, you know we're gonna blaze it up, so whats our name?"
-Blazin' Squad

Boys Junior Varsity Wrestling Team: Back Row: Coach Pettit, Brian Broll, Kyle Hoen, Brandon Bullock, Ethan Gutzmann-Williams, Matthew Schilling, Kyle Pigeon, Coach Zaske; Second Row: Ryan Eichens, Tyler Scrimegour, Jake Durkin, Kyler Ternka, Jessy Conky, Tyler Nordby, Eric Durkin, Ben Buesgens; Front Row: Stacie Seaman, Nicole Eichens, Katie Larsen, Sara Clark.
Girls Junior Varsity Basketball Team: Back Row: Alicia Champagne, Christine Deering, Scotti Moats, Katelyn Olson, Coach Lee; Front Row: Kelly Brink, Katelyn Rambow, Nicole Willems, Katie Luce, Phylicia Short, Jessica Schonhardt.


## freezing fun



Above: A few of the boys who love to play, Ben Timmers, Matt Larkin, Kevin Zimmerman, Jason Brandenburg, and Chevy Deering with their sticks during one of their games.

Sometimes it seems like the goal for WHS boys is to find fun, no matter where that is. In the dead of winter, you can find many students, especially boys, either playing hockey at the rink near the school or ice fishing. The boys say they try to make this at least a weekly activity. One of the memories that will never be forgotten is when they "creamed the little kids," said Jason Brandenburg. The reason they started this is because they were bored and needed something fun to do after school. When asked who loves to play, but needs a little work on the ice, they agreed Chevy, Justin, and Mr. Machtemes. Ice fishing has also become extremely popular with WHS students. They say that whenever they have free time, you can find them on the ice. One of the activities they participate in is augur races. Everyone agreed that Nate Eder is definitely the champion. No matter what the weather, these students find great ways to have fun.

## give us a break



Above: Juniors, Evan Butteris and Joe Timm, making a mess in the hallway on during a typical morning break.

January 25 and 26, 2006 might go down in history as two of the worst days at Waconia High School. Due to dirty hallways and abuse to the building, the administration decided to punish and teach students a lesson by eliminating the best part of many kid's day...morning break. "I didn't like not having the break, it made the day seem longer," said junior, Patrick Mathwig. After the administration felt students could handle themselves during the fifteen minute downtime, morning break was given back. With it, a new found respect for the janitorial staff and morning break forever.

## say what?

Many adults say there should be a dictionary created just for high school students. Well here it is: a dictionary of some of the most common words/phrases used by WHS students this year.
yoink $v$. An exclamation that, when uttered in conjunction with taking an object, immediately transfers ownership from the original owner to the person using the word regardless of previous property rights.
shot gun $n$. The front passinger's seat of an automobile. Highly desirable.
pretty sure $a d j$. said usually sarcastically to show how much you really like or really hate something.
padiddle $n$. A game played while in a vehicle. 'Padiddle' is said when another vehicle is spotted that has only a single headlight. The person/people who didn't say padiddle get punched in the shoulder repeatedly. Rules vary from vehicle to vehicle.
dunzo adj. Slang word for done/finshed. Made famous by the Laguna Beach cast.
good times $n$. phrase refering to any situation. not limited to good situations. also used for filling awkward silences
psyche $v$. To retract your previous statement, in an attempt to fool the person you're talking/chatting to
get er' done $v$. Redneck term. Usually used to show excitement or completion of a task

## mini ma what's goin down in wac-town?

## top picks

Over 300 WHS students participated in a survery about hot new music of the year. Here are the results for the top picks of new artists of 2005 .

Pop: The Click Five
Rock: 10 Years
Country: Carrie Underwood
Rap: D4L
Punk: Panic! At the Disco
Alternative: James Blunt


Above: Merideth Lamburger and Andria Jones listening to their favorite new tunes on headphones.

This year an amazing five WHS athletes signed with their future colleges to play sports. Joe Nord for wrestling at the University of MN-Twin Cities, Sam Sterner for football at Wyoming, Chelsea Honebrink for volleyball at University of MN-Duluth, Jenny VanKirk with Bradley University, and Brent Dunklberger with Northwestern, both for basketball. "Having things paid for makes everything really easy, plus it's sweet I get to keep playing football" said Sterner about his success. Five star athletes in one graduating class does not happen often.


Top: Jenny VanKirk and Chelsea Honebrink signing with Bradley and UMD; Above: Joe Nord, with mom, sister, and coach, signing with U of M

## out of season



[^2]You may not know it, but there were five basketball teams at WHS that got hardly any recognition at all this year. The intramural basketball teams consisted of about fifty boys who competed against each other every Monday night for six weeks. The teams were organized by the students themselves. Each week the teams played a new opponent. The final tournament was held on the sixth Monday. Kenny Sterner's team, The Chiefs, won it all, and each player recieved a t-shirt. "Intramural rocks because you call your own fouls, so sometimes it's more like a football game than basketball," said senior Kevin Zimmermann. No matter their talent, it is obvious when you watch a game how much fun they have when they play.

# Baby Pictures 



Kathryn Laulainen
We praise God for your life, for your achievements and for the fun and spinted girl that you arc. Thank You for sharing your smile with us through the years. As you pursue your dreams, follow Him in whatever you do.

Love You Lots Katrina! Mom and Dad


## Mark Vanderlinde

Your such a great kid! Good luck in the future and may all your dreams come true!
Remember...never give up.

## Mom

## Katherine Jonas

Kookie, our little precious flower. You are a ray of sunshine to all that cross your path We are blessed to have such a beautiful person as our daughter.

Love,
Mom and Dad


## Nanette Ristow

We're very proud of who you've grown to be. Stay true to God and yourself and you'll have a wonderful future. Keep that beautiful smile. All Our Love, Mom and Dad


## Chelsea Engstrom

"Little Missy" the sunshine of our lives! Your talents are many, your oppurtunities are countless, the sky's the limit! Live fully, Love well, Laugh often. Peace, Love and Joy to you always.

Your most adoring fans, Mom and Dad

## Kyle Durkin

Congrats Kyle! We are very proud of all you have accomplished in Highschool Good Luck in college.
"Live your life to the fullest. your dreams are endless!'

Love,
Mom, Dad, Meghan, Eric and Jake

## Ben Ross

Persistence. Why take
"NO" for and answer?
You keep going for it Spiderman!!!
We Love You So, Dear Ben.

Mom, Dad, Patrick, Stu and "The Boys"


## Elizabeth Fischbach

"Leam from yesterday- live for today-hope for tomonow." We are so proud of you, Elizabeth! Your will be successful in you future endeavors because of your work ethic, determination and your true concem for others. Never give up on your dreams.

Sam Stemer
The sweet little boy has become a fantastic young man! We are so proud of you and know you will bring great success into the next chapter of your life. We Love You!
Powder River Let'er Buck!!
Love,
Mom and Dad


Chelsea Mae Rice
May your gift of music guide to a peace of mind and may you peace of mind guide you journey to a world unknown. Enjoy the ride for it will teach you graciously.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Jesse

## Sophic Crosby

Many people search their whole life looking for the brightness you hold. Your light shines deep in your heart. Seek people that will treasure your innocence and sincerity. Live, love, and laugh always and rememberBe careful out there! I love you.

Mom

May the COURAGE you the HOPE in your helmet the PRIDE in you pads the JOY in your jersey the SPIRIT from the fans and GOD in your gloves leave you with life-long memories and lead you to a wonderful, successful, and rewarding life!!!

Well it's true, what they say then:
"Feed 'em, let 'em sleep, and they'll grow" And grow you have. We're proud of the young man you've become, you will always be ours, heart and soul, wherever life takes you.

We Love You,
Mom and Dad


We
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Mom, Dad, Bradley, and Brooke

# "You are young and you are the 

## future, So suck it up and tough

 it out, And be the best you can be..." -John Mellencamp

## Bria Rae Torgeson

Do all you need to do to make your dreams come true; but don't eat the candy." We love you dearly Bria Rae. God Bless you.

Love,
Mom and Dad



## Reed Johnson

What a wonderful young man you've become. You have been such a joy in our lives. God truly blessed our lives when he shared you with us, and we will be forever grateful. We love you more than you can imagine. Congratulatio
your graduation.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Clare


Katie Morimoto
Follow you heart. Let your trademark, determination, and motivation guide you to your goals. Love,
Mom, Dad, Joe, Thomas, Millie, and Bobby


## Cory Stessen

You have always reached for the stars. We know you will continue to reach for them in the years to come. Your love of life, creativity, and intelligence will take you far

Love,
Mom, and Robyn


## Kelly Hulke

You are such a joy to be around. We know you were just thinking of the next question to ask. We couldn't have asked for a better daughter than you!

## Love,

Mom, Dad, and Aaron

Anthony Stockert
We love you Tony!!!
Good luck in college...
we know you will do
great!!!
Love


## Zach Gatheridge

We are so proud of you and your desire to succeed. Your perserverance and style will not only allow you to reach you goals, but you dreams too! We love you and support you as you enter a new chapter of you life.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Brooke, and Isaiah

## Anthony Stockert

We love you Tony!!! Good luck in college.. great!!!

Love
Mom, Dad, and Carly



## Anna Philp

And when you get the choice to sit it out or dance...
We hope you dance.
Love ya, Mom and Dad



Braedon Schmidt
They seemed big then but you've grown up to fill the big boots! We're proud of you congrats! Love,
Mom, Dad, Keighla, Shelbey, and Kohlton

Evan Gundlach
This time has come much to quickly, Evan. I have been so proud every step of the way. Continue to follow
your dreams with
intelligence and heart. I'm your bigest fan......" 'you'll always have that going for you".
I love you, Mom


## Elisa Lyn Kelsey

From a sweet n' sassy little girl to a gifted graduating young lady. No family could be more proud or blessed than us.

Love,
Mom, Steve, Taylor,
Nathen, and Jessee

## Tracy Kelzer

The years have gone by fast. We are so proud of all your hard work. Always do the best you can and enjoy life. We love you lots and always!

## Love,

Mom, Dad, and Nathan


Tj,
"When you come to a fork in the road, take it." Yogi Berra, Congratulations!

Love, Mom, Dad, and Mandi

## Shari Thaemert

You have become a wonderful young woman and we are so proud of you! Thank you for all the smiles you have given us!

We love you,
Mom, Dad, Amanda, and Julie


## "It's cool to take these chances,

 it's cool to fake romances

## Carra Pawelk

Life can have many challenges. Always believe in yourself- never stop reaching for you goals. If one door closes, open another. May you find the success and happiness that you have been dreaming of. Remember that you are never alone.

Love,
Mom, and Dad

## and grow up fast..." <br> -Dashboard Confessional

## Matt Larkin

We are so proud of you. Continue life with your contagious smile and remember that we love you. We believe in you and all that you do. Enjoy life!! Love,
Mom, Dad, Katie,Tori, and Sammy


## Caitlin Smith

"...So come and walk awhile with me and share the twisting trails and wondrous worlds I've known. But this bridge will only take you halfway there, the last few steps you'll have to take alone."

- Shel Silverstein

Mom, Dad, and Kayla


Laura Grangaard
Thanks for all the memories so far, Laura! Here's hoping for a lifetime of happiness and success. Be yourself! Love,
Mom, Dad, and Melanie


Devin, congratulations you made it!! We have always been so proud of you and we know that you will always be successful in whatever you choose to do. Have fun and enjoy life!

All our Love,
Mom and Dad

Lauren Krukowski
We loved you then, we love you now and we will love you forever. Thanking God for the special person you are. "The Lord bless you and keep you."

All our love,
Mom, Dad, and Alex


# "Forever always seems to be around when it begins, but forever never seems to be around when it ends..." -Ben Harper 




## Andria Jones

Andria, we are very proud of you. As you move forever into the future with new goals and challenges, always believe in yourself as we have.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Family


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Just as a song must come to an end, so does our school year. From our football team to the track team, from our marching band to showchoir, from mock trial to our peer helpers, music helped shape the memories of the year. Look back on the words of your

[thethe excitement, fun, and emotions of our year together. Remember how you were feeling the first time you heard a certain melody, or the people you were with when a song made you dance. Use music to be your guide back to this year. Embrace the words in an attempt to remember every moment. These are the days you'll remember for the rest of your life. Remember our friends, our year, our school. Remember our song.

By Katie Hedstrom

## "These are the days you'll remember for


the rest of your life..." -Jo Dee Messina

# From the Editor... 



This experience has been one I will never forget. Going into this year, I thought making this book would be the hardest and most stressful thing I have ever done. Thanks to my amazing friends, family, and staff, it went smoothly and I produced a yearbook I am extremely proud of. I can only hope that you all enjoy it reading it as much as I enjoyed making it.

More work than you can imagine goes into these 136 pages, and I couldn't have done it without help. I have to thank everyone in the office for answering my countless questions about pictures, sports, and procedures. The janitorial and media center staff also deserve a big thanks for unlocking the computer lab door for me every
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This year has flown by and I hope 'Our Song' is a helpful guide to remembering your experience. Throughout this process I have really come to appreciate everyone and everything this school has to offer, and I have definitely taken more out of this book than put in. To my senior class, I wish you all luck in the future, I will miss our twelve years together. To all WHS students, lyrics by Natasha Beddingfield: "no one else can speak the words on your lips, so drench yourself in words unspoken, live your life with arms wide open, today is where your book begins, the rest is still unwritten..."

## COLOPHON

The theme of this year's book was "Our Song." It was published by Taylor Publishing Company of El Paso, Texas. It was designed using Taylor's EliteVision software. The book has 136 pages,

32 pages of color, and 15 using spot color. The page size is $81 / 2 \times 11$. The lithocote cover of the book is four color process applied to a white base. The headlines used throughout the book are

Wildworld, Copperplate Gothic Bold, Cabal Bold, and Ashley fonts. The subhead font was Genesis. The font for the lyrics was Genesis Italics. The body copy is 11 point Times. The caption font is 8 point Times. The book was
delivered in the spring and there were 642 copies sold. The Taylor Sales Representative was Bruce Lammers and the yearbook editor was Katie Hedstrom.


[^0]:    Middle Right: Chelsea Honebrink working on her article during Journalism class; Above: Nanette Ristow and Emma Denbrook sharing a copy of the new 'Tracks' edition during class.

[^1]:    Above: Lauren Krukowski, and Alex Kalausich at the Rydell High School dance.

[^2]:    Above: Under the basket, a few of the boys on one of the teams practicing during a gym class for the next Monday's game.

