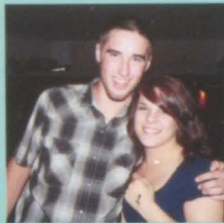




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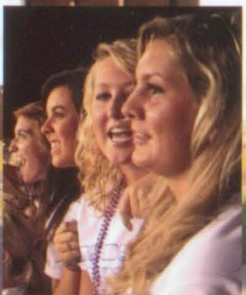
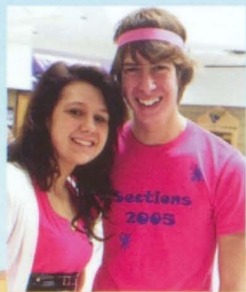
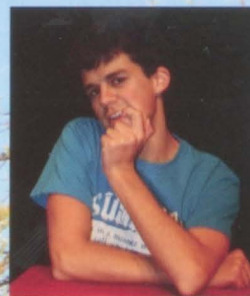
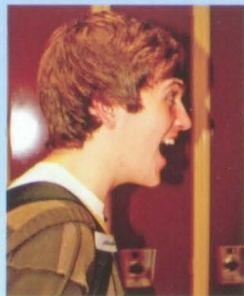
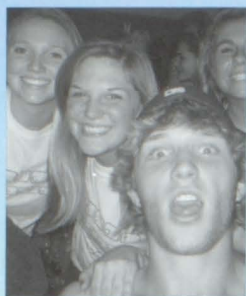
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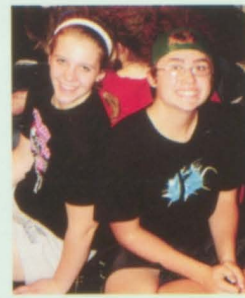
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"BEING MYSELF INCLUDES TAKING RISKS WITH MYSELF, TAKING RISKS
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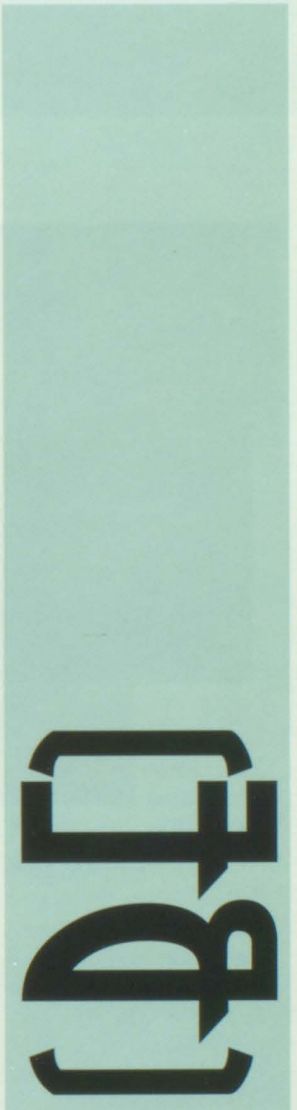
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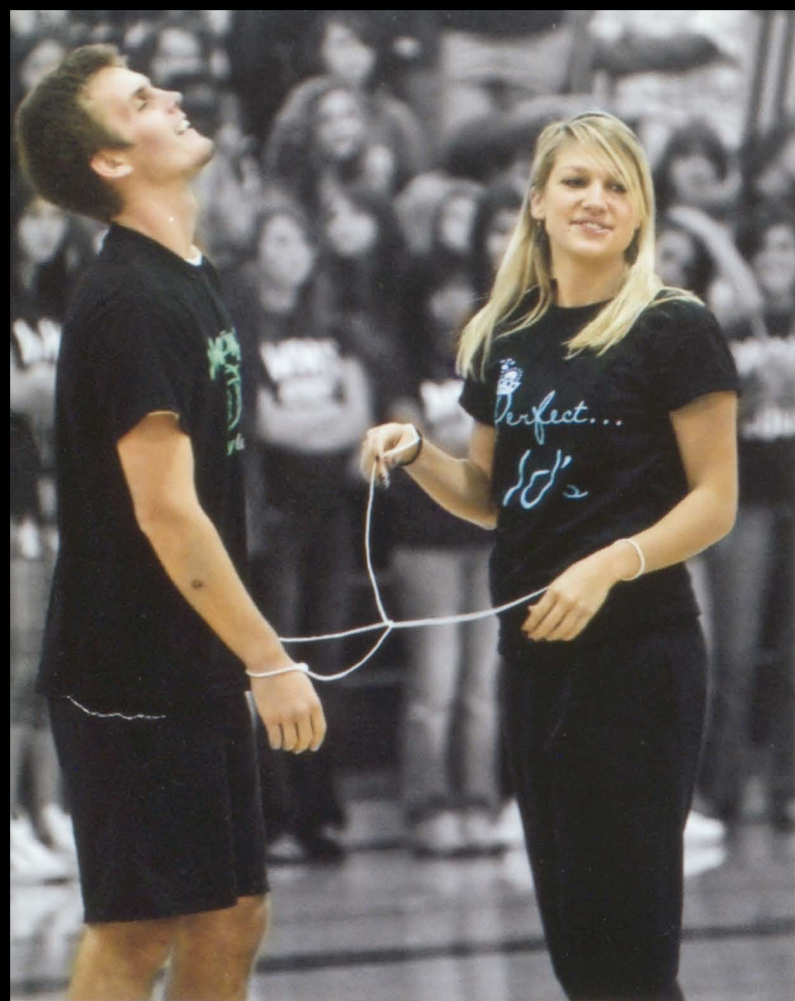


[B]etween the first & last page of this book, you will find students achieving goals beyond expectations, along with coaches and teammates supporting & believing in each other. You will also recognize SADD trying to promote better behaviors, as well as the bands & choirs creating a beat.

Turning through the pages you will see originality & beauty like there is in all of us.

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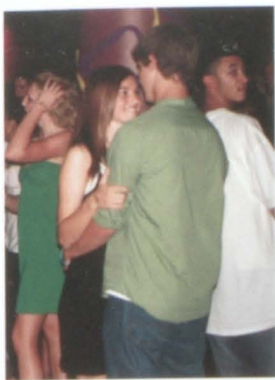


Right: Homecoming candidates Pete Brettingen and Kelsey Wenning try to unravel during the string challenge. Below: Some members of the junior class had a good laugh during some friendly bantering with members of the senior class.



Right: Senior Stephanie McGinn shows her spirit during the Homecoming football game after the team mascot let her wear the Wildcat head. Above: Freshmen Ryan Christensen, Jenifer Halder, Kelly Luce, Emily Jaeger, Sarah Christians, Justin Brueggemeier, Wylie Fer-ron and Kase Jacobs let loose during the Homecoming dance.





Top left: Freshmen Kayla Christensen and Riley Trnka enjoy the Spirit Week dance. Top middle: Senior Dillon Pomeroy, a football team captain, races in underwater flippers during the captains' relay. Top Right: Homecoming candidates Jacob Braunshausen and Whitney Hart are hard at work attempting to figure out the string challenge. Above: The seniors are all smiles after being named big base champions after their 38-13 defeat of the juniors. Left: The rib eating competitors devour a side of ribs, trying to be the first to get the bones the cleanest. Senior Nicholas Allen was named the winner, and junior Theodore Gilliam finished a close second.

(BE) SPIRITED

Spirit Week has had a tendency to bring conflict between the senior and junior classes. Most of it was held outside of school this year because the school officials, with help from the Student Council, anticipated this and clearly outlined the consequences.

"Student Council did not participate in any activities that might have been destructive such as class color day, and we made sure to think of other alternatives to make Homecoming a fun week," explained Student Council President Meredith Proulx.

Cheering for the same team and sharing the happiness of a victory or the sadness of a defeat is something that unifies all grades.

"I participated in class color day, but my favorite part of homecoming was during the football game at the end of the week when we put all the class conflict aside, and we all cheered for our team together," said junior Calleigh Melchert.

The loyalty to the Wildcats remains Spirit Week's binding tie.

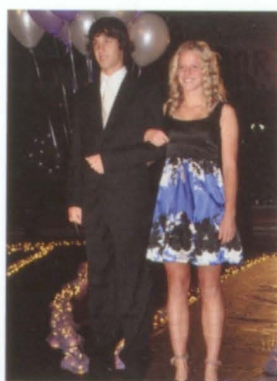
"I had to leave Waconia for a bit to go to Holy Family, and it was not the same. I didn't even like cheering for their teams. I couldn't bring myself to do it. The Wildcats are my team," said senior Brian McAvoy.



Top: There was a lot of jamming going on during Spirit Week. The pep band revs up the studentbody at the Homecoming pep fest. Above: During the football game, seniors Patrick Logelin and Michael Murray jam along with Logelin's boom box.



Above: Jessica Rice and Dane Aadland take a joyful stroll together as King and Queen. Right: Kelly Luce, Tyler Kuennen, Taylor Helle, Alex Schmitt, Stacy Christensen, Byron Synstegaard, Jessica Rice, Dane Aadland, Kelsey Peters, John Castaneda, Whitney Hart, Jake Braunschauen, Kelsey Wenning, Pete Brettingen, Katie Schuman and Mark Bullis make up the 2009 Homecoming court. Top Left: Tyler Kuennen and Kelly Luce represented the freshman class as page and escort. Top Middle: Alex Schmitt and Taylor Helle were sophomore page and escort. Top Right: Byron Synstegaard and Stacy Christensen represented the junior class.



Top: During their coronation introduction, candidates Pete Brettingen and Kelsey Wenning pause to do the "fish bowl" with seniors Charlie Smothers and Dillon Pomeroy.

Above: Sophomore Lisa Kittleson and junior Abbie Christenson served as this year's coronation emcees.

(B)EFORE THE ACTION

Homecoming week definitely creates many memories for high school students. These memories include class rivalries, pep rallies, dress up days, coronation and the football game itself.

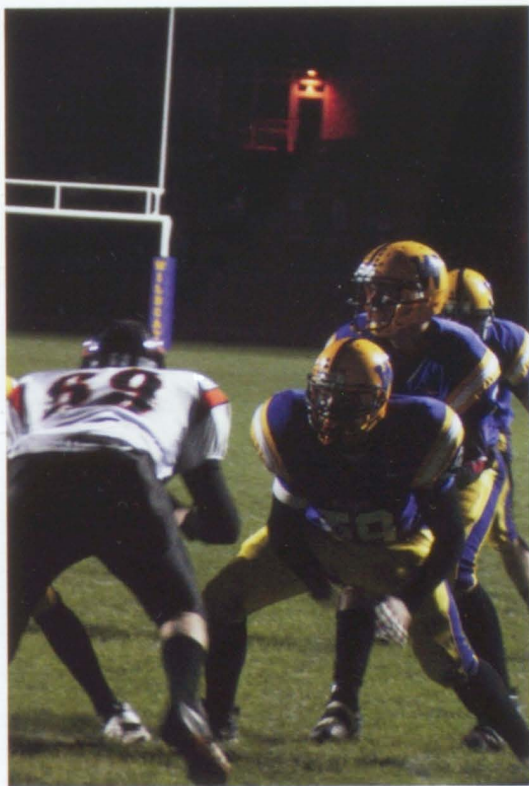
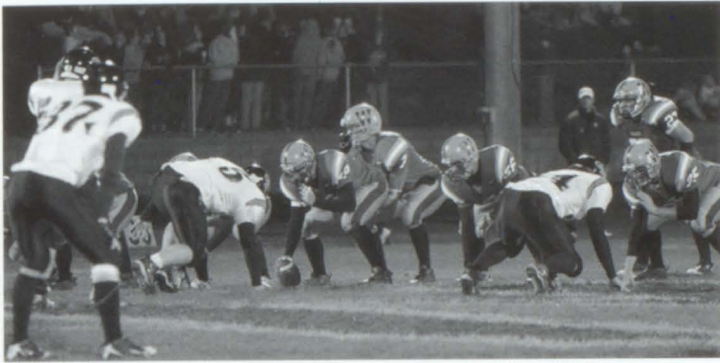
This year, many students, parents and friends filed into the gym waiting excitedly to see who would be crowned king and queen.

Initially, students voted for Homecoming candidates, escorts and pages during their first hour classes. Once the court was named, the Student Council conducted a second round of voting to determine the king and queen during first hour classes.

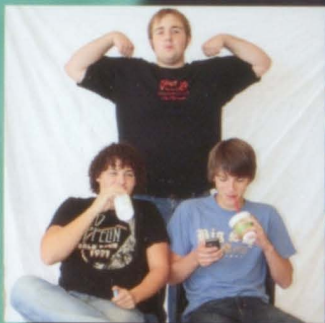
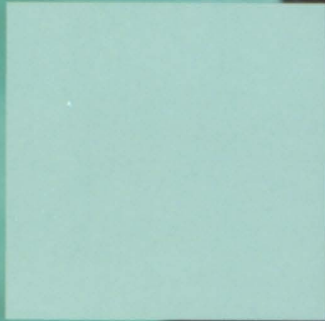
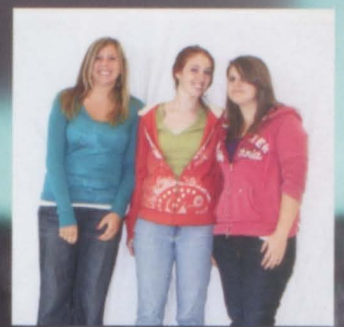
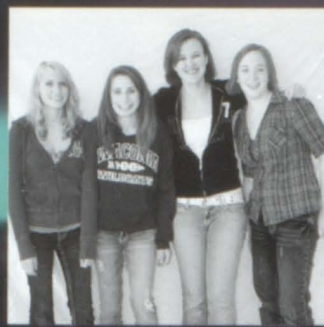
To determine who was king and queen, the Student Council gave each candidate a white card with a playing card glued to the inside. The candidates each held a ten of clubs on the inside while the king and queen held a king or queen of hearts.

Everyone cheered and applauded as Jessica Rice received the queen of hearts, and Dane Aadland received the king of hearts. The 2009 king and queen acknowledged the crowd as they strolled across the gym floor.

Below: The Wildcats prepare for a snap of the ball during their non-conference game against Grand Rapids, who the Wildcats defeated 36-7.
 Right: Junior Bronson Scheff flips over two Grand Rapids defenders to score a touchdown. Scheff scored four touchdowns during the game.

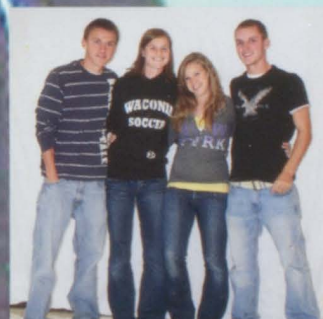
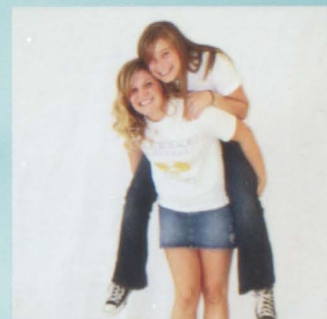
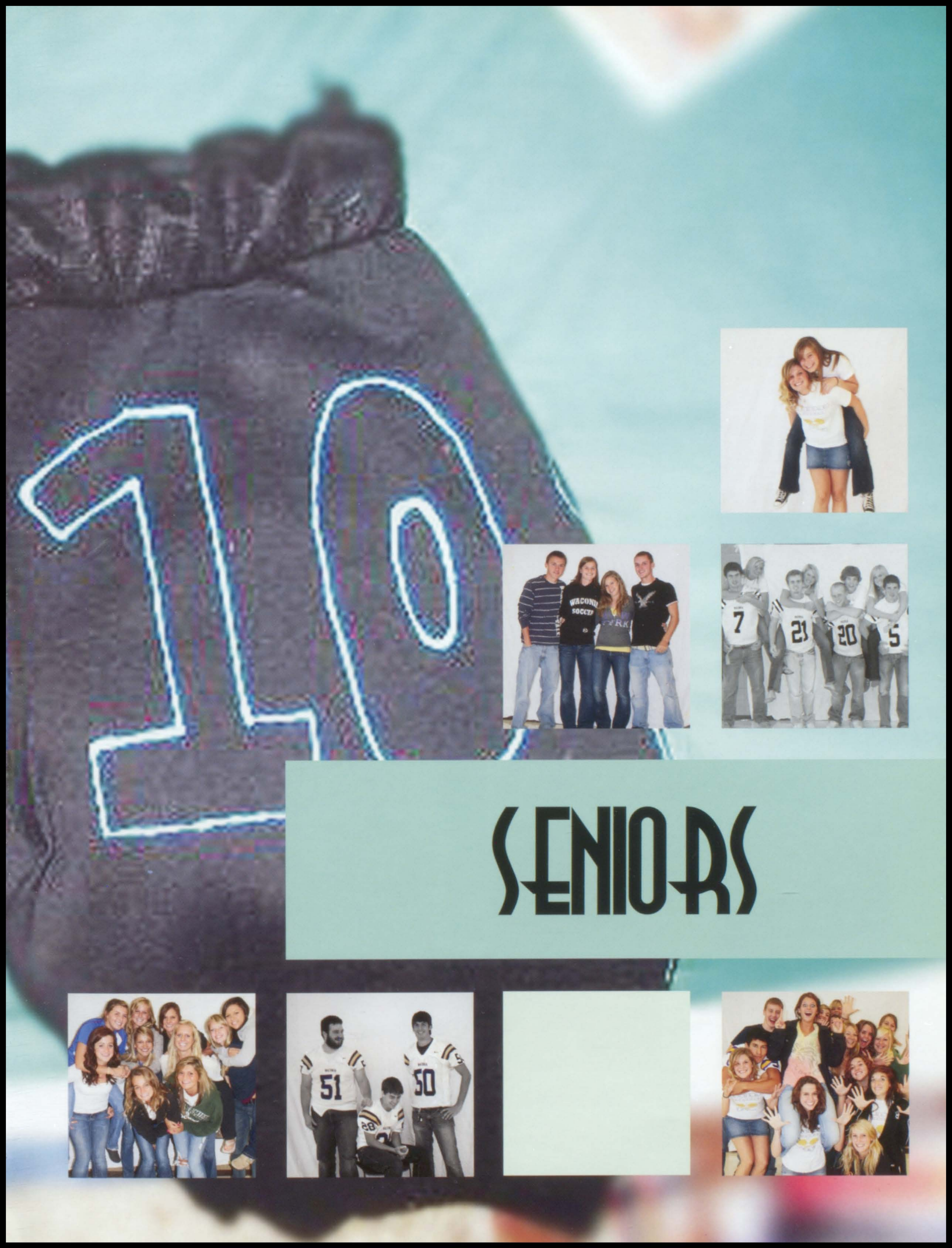


Left: The Wildcats get ready to hike the ball to quarterback Evan Graff. Graff had 174 passing yards during the game against Grand Rapids.
 Above: Senior Dillon Pomeroy carries the ball before getting tackled. During the game, Pomeroy rushed for 40 yards.

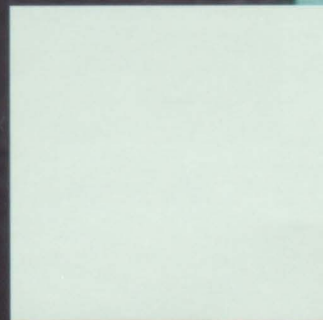


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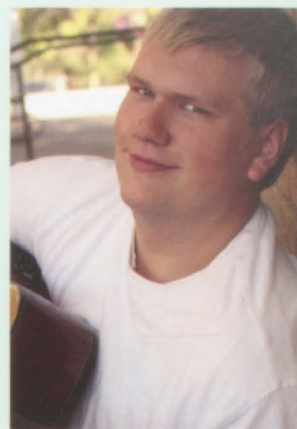
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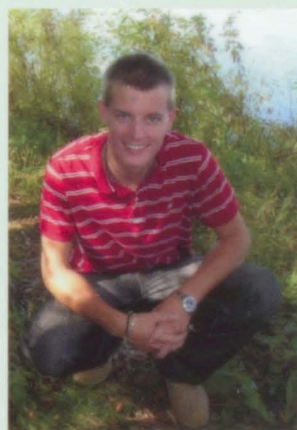
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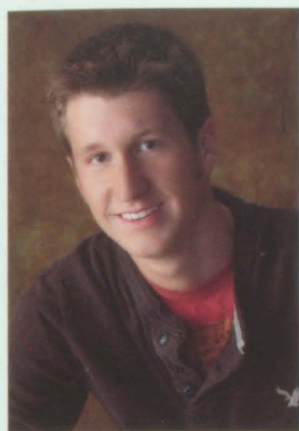
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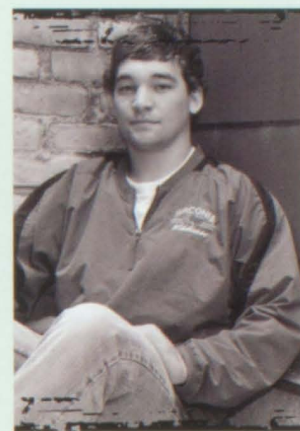
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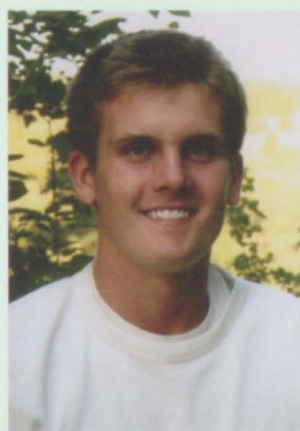
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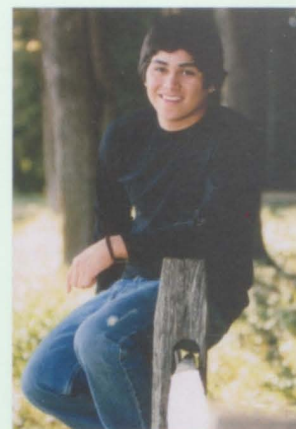
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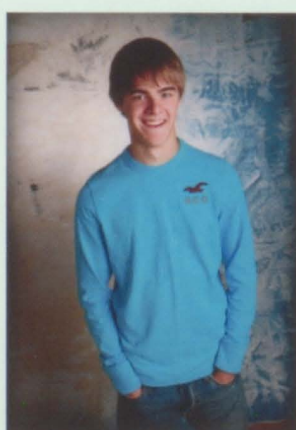
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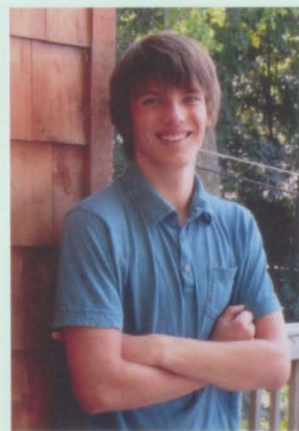
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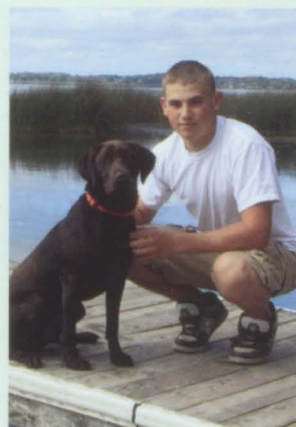
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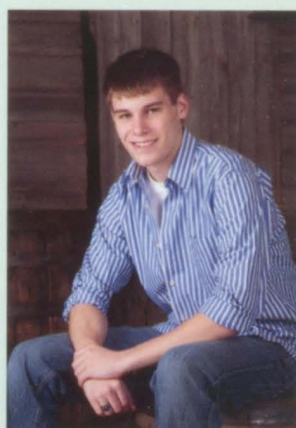
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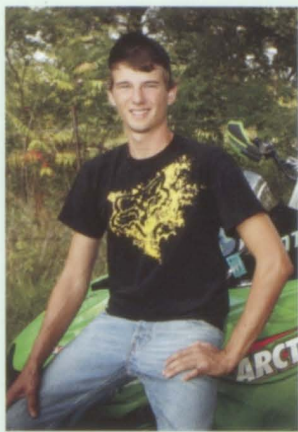
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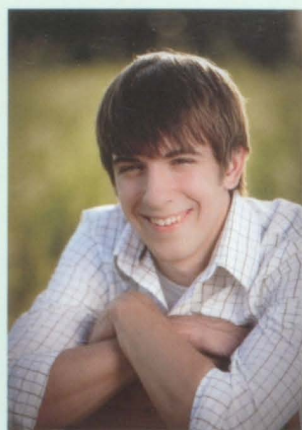
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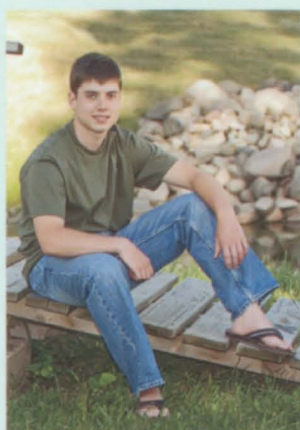
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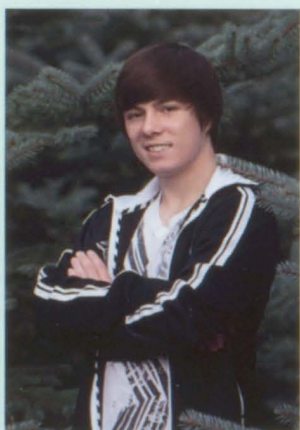
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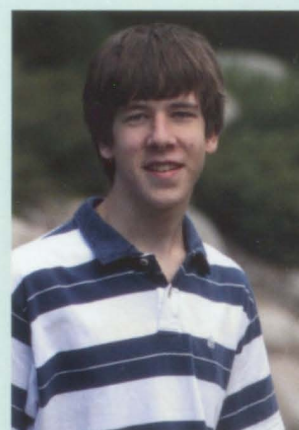
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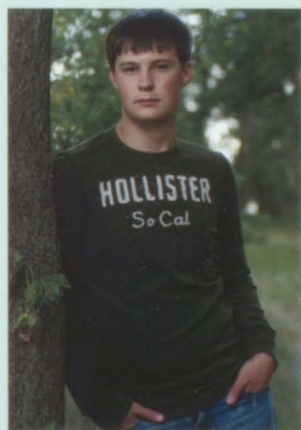
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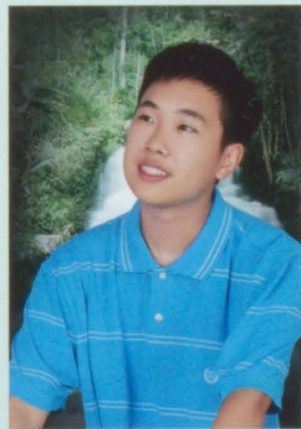
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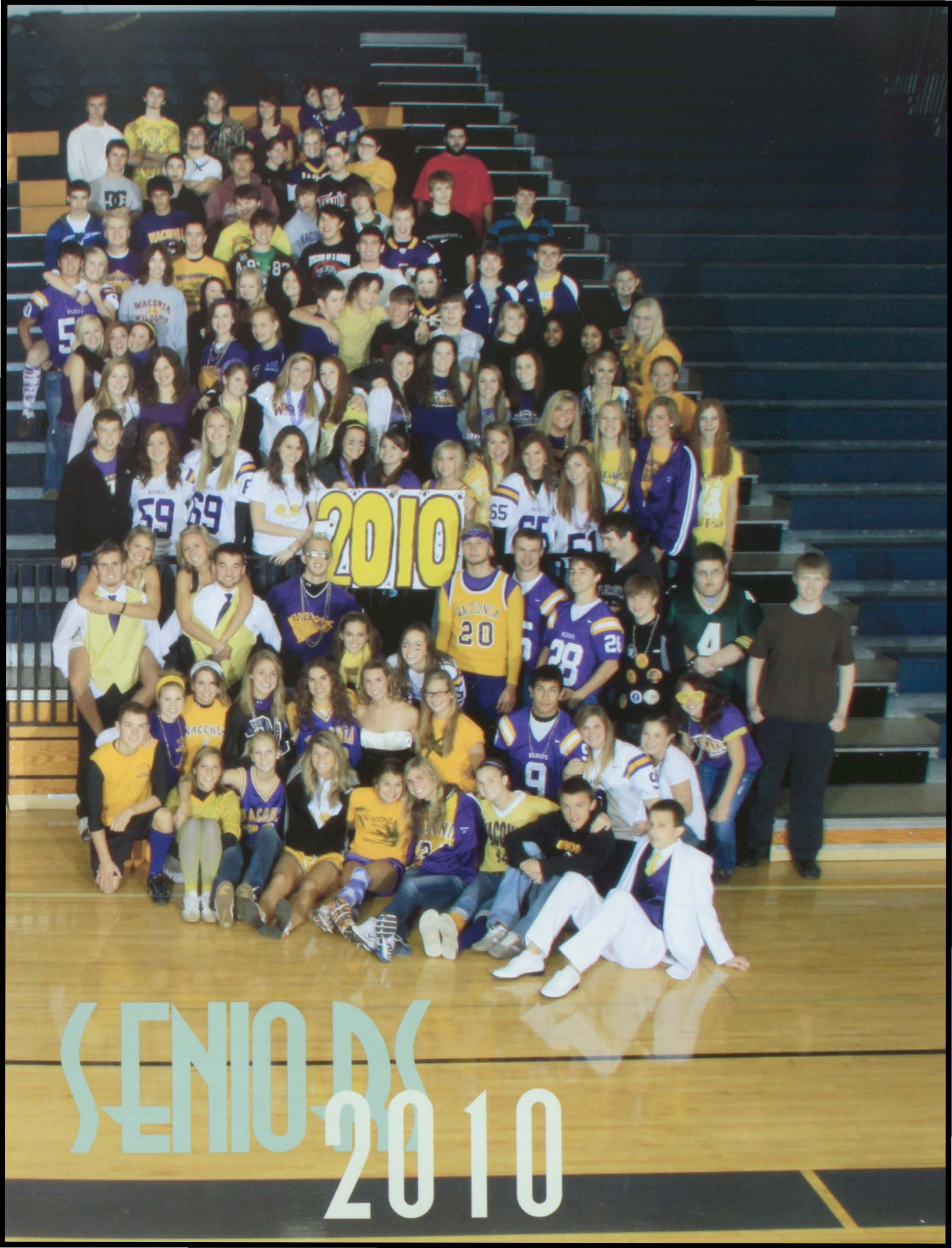


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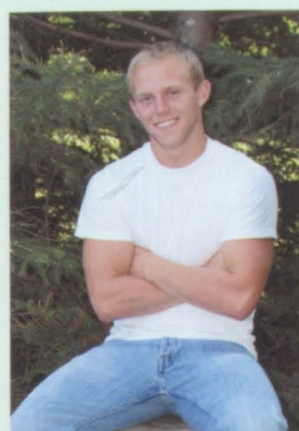
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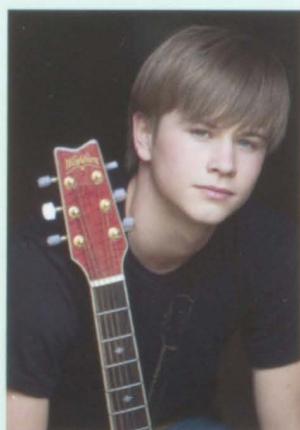
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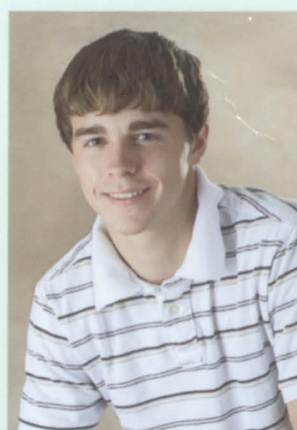
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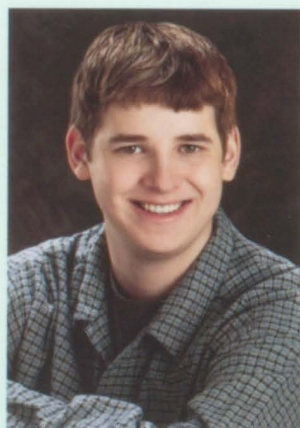
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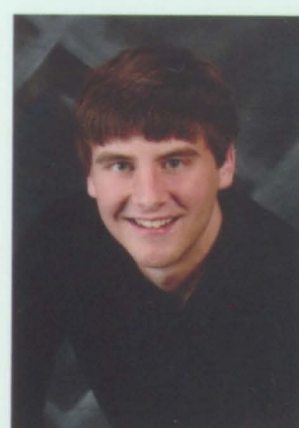
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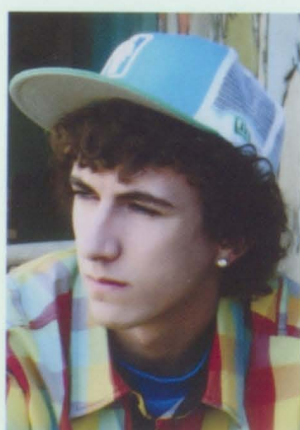
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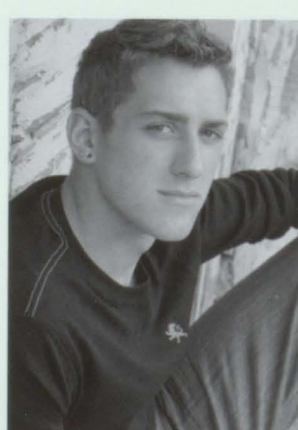
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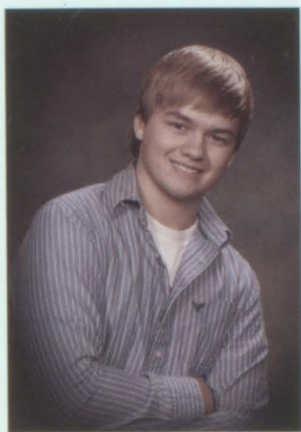
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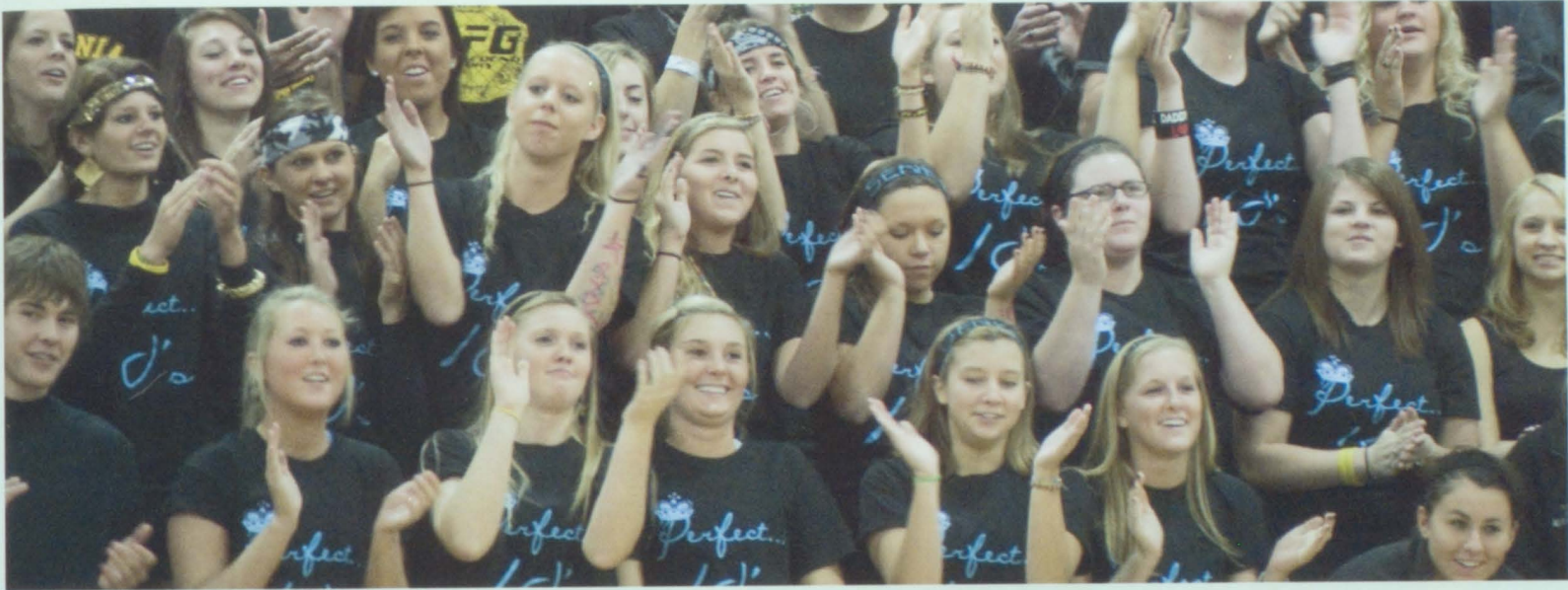


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YOU KNOW YOU'RE A SENIOR WHEN...



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You're considered to be the "leaders" of the school.

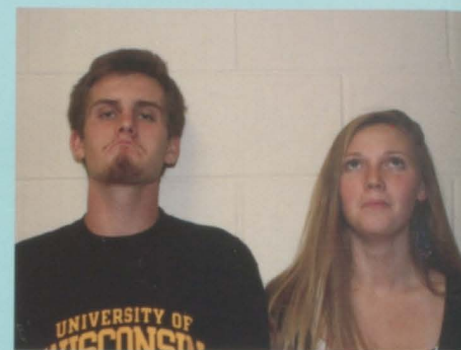
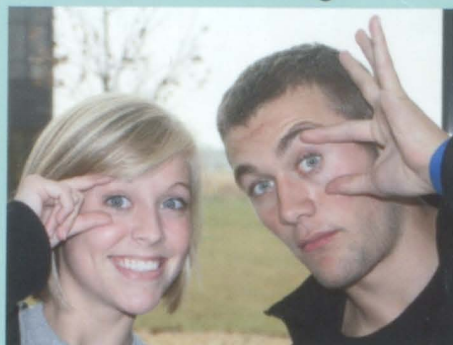
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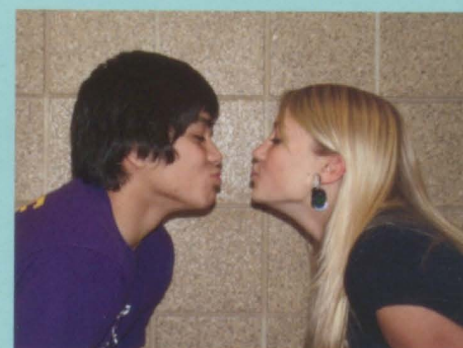
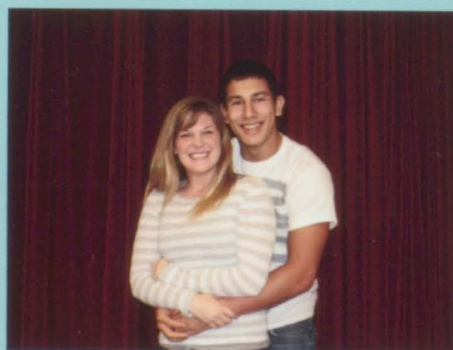
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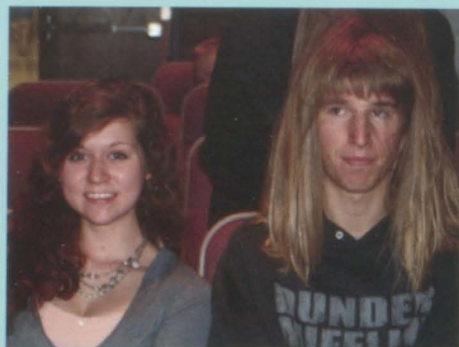
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Most Talkative

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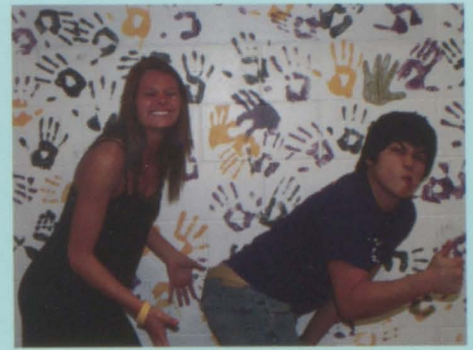
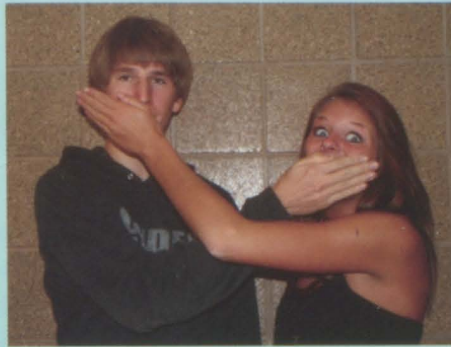
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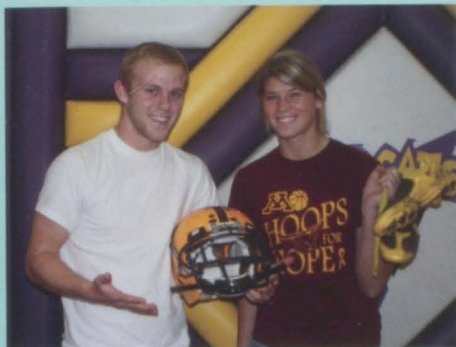
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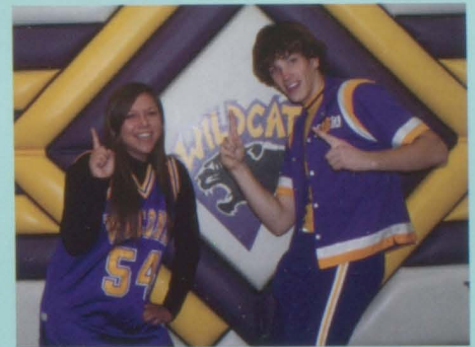
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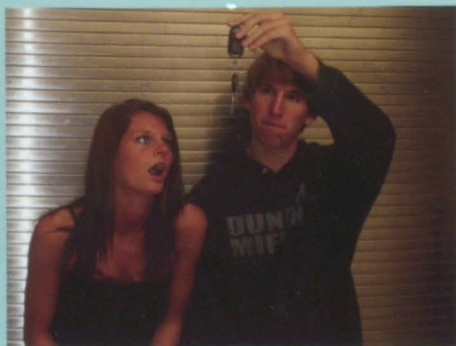
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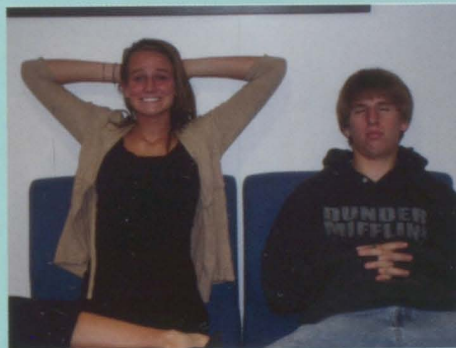
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Favorite TV Show

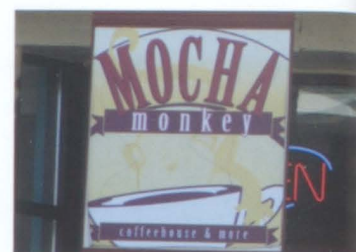
The Office
One Tree Hill
Friends

Favorite Teacher

Mr. Machtemes
Mrs. Leshar
Mr. Johnson

Favorite Hangout

Mocha Monkey
Target
Friend's House



Favorite Store

Target
Forever 21
American Eagle

Favorite Candy

Skittles
Snickers
Butterfinger

Favorite Sports Star

Brett Favre
Adrian Peterson
Jared Allen

Favorite Movie

The Hangover
300
Twilight



Favorite Class

MN Heritage
Art
AP World History

Favorite Actor

Jim Carrey
Bradley Cooper
Will Ferrell



Favorite Actress

Rachel McAdams
Megan Fox
Kate Hudson

Favorite Musical Artist

Beyonce
Owl City
Lil' Wayne

Favorite Magazine

Cosmopolitan
Seventeen
People



Favorite School Lunch

Walking Taco
Mini Corn Dogs
Pizza

Favorite Restaurant

Applebees
Olive Garden
Chipotle

Favorite Song

"Watcha Say" - Jason Derulo
"Party in the USA" - Miley Cyrus
"One Time" - Justin Bieber

Favorite Part of Being a Senior

Seniority
Knowing we are almost done!
Being a T.A.

Best Senior Memory

Homecoming 2009
Class Color Day
Big Base winners two years in a row

FAVORITES

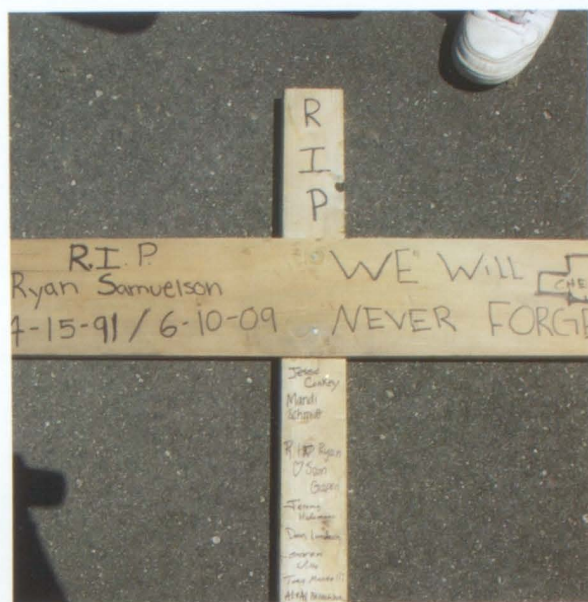
RYAN SAMUELSON

April 15, 1991 - June 10, 2009

Ryan Samuelson was a loving, caring, friendly, always -smiling boy. Every-day before school, he would park his Chevy truck in the back of the parking lot with his friends. They all enjoyed doing burn-outs in the parking lot and then backing in their trucks into their parking spaces.

Ryan passed away on June 10, 2009. Following Ryan's passing, many of Ryan's friends put together a memorial to remember him. Led by senior Jesse Conkey, Ryan's friends and family spray painted a memorial for Ryan in his usual parking spot.

Many friends and family members gathered together in the parking lot to celebrate and honor Ryan's life.



Above: Ryan's friends and family made a cross to remember him. The cross was signed by many friends and family members.

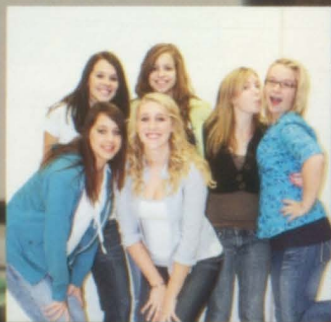
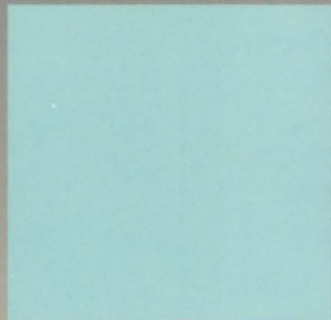
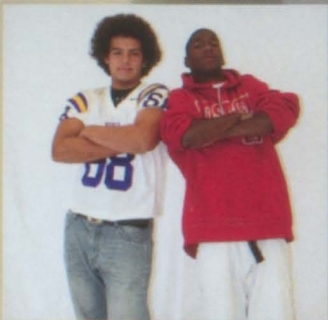
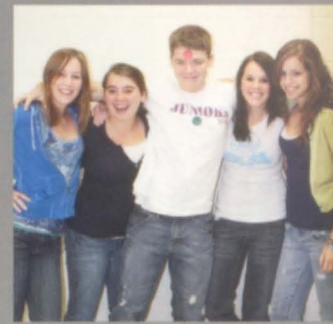


Above: Ryan's mother, brothers and father hold the cross in front of Ryan's memorial at Waconia High School.

Above left: After making a memorial for Ryan in the parking lot, many friends and family gathered together to celebrate Ryan and what a great man he was.

Left: Ryan poses with his Chevy truck. Ryan was proud of his truck and loved driving it around the school parking lot and around town.

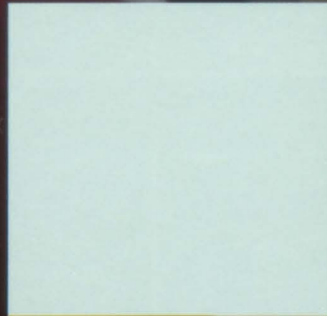
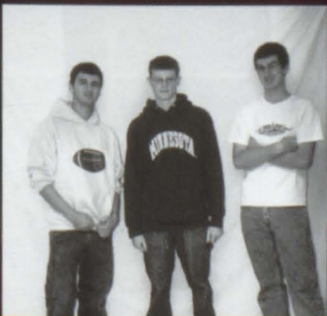




Fri., 1/15 in D110
- either 7:30 A.M.
or morning break



JUNIORS



Kelcey Albers
Autumn Ament
Kaitlyn Andersen
Alena Anderson
Cassandra Anderson
Erica Anderson



Abigail Awode
Tyler Bach
Carissa Bakke
Nicholas Barrett
Jacob Bartz
Gerrit Bass



Amanda Beaulieu
Aaron Becker
Brock Bender
Adam Biegel
Jacob Billstrom
Kayla Blachowiak



Sondra Blaschko
Shawn Bode
Kaydee Bohanon
Matthew Borgmann
Kayla Borka
Katelyn Bouchard



Jacob Boyer
Shane Bramer
Emily Braun
Blake Bronstad
Calvin Brown
Paige Brown



Megan Brueggemeier
Alisha Bruner
Ben Buesgens
Whitney Buesgens
Ashley Buffington
Morgane Carman



Angela Carner
William Chandler
Angel Chanthavong
Anna Christensen
Sheaden Christensen
Stacy Christensen



Abigale Christenson
Dominic Ciccirelli
Callie Cina
Andrew Cook
Christopher Cousin
Jordan Cowhig





Wyatt Crosby
Kenneth Dallman
Timothy Deweese
Katelynn Doherty
Kelly Drey
Willam Duran-Lynn



Eric Durkin
Jake Durkin
Jason Ecklein
Jordan Egge
Ryan Eischens
Molly Elasky



Erika Emmings
Caitlyn Engler
Keaton Everett
Erik Evjen
Dylan Farmer
Bailey Farrell



Bryan Faust
Emmett Ferron
Zachary Fimon
Steven Fischer
Nicole Fitzgerald
Rachel Flemig



Danielle Flesness
Maria Forsythe
Bennett Frey
Tanner Friedrich
Josh Frischmon
James Froehling



Nikki Frydenlund
Emily Geyen
Theodore Gilliam
Alex Goede
Christian Goldman
Scott Gomez



Madeline Gordon
Molly Gorghuber
Kaylin Graff
Jennifer Gray
Kaia Gude
Ellie Haggemiller



Chaneen Haler
Jonathon Hansen
Alexander Hedlund
Kaitlyn Heenie
Jessica Heimdal
Nicholas Hennen

Alannah Henry
Alyse Herman
Maxwell Herrera
Turi Hjelsand
Chandra Honebrink
Madilynn Honnold



Melinda Horejsi
Annabel Jacobs
William Jantz
Julia Johnson
Kendra Johnson
Matthew Johnson



Dennis Jorgenson-Rathke
Hayley Jost
Natalie Kalkes
Jennifer Kallio
Heather Kalthoff
Mark Kapuska



Luke Kassmeyer
Brady Kenney
Jared Klein
Miranda Koch
Daniel Kolar
Joni Komperda



Benjamin Kortuem
John Koster
Nicolle Kroells
Katie Krogman
Haley Kruchten
Jessica Kullman



Victoria Larkin
Emma Larson
Zachary Leshar
Anton Lieb
Courtney Liebhard
Marissa Lind



Sean Linden
Friederike Lobbecke
Anthony Luedloff
Brittney Lund
Matthew Lund
Nicholas Lundquist



Brandon Machtemes
Janelle Manfred
Dana Martel
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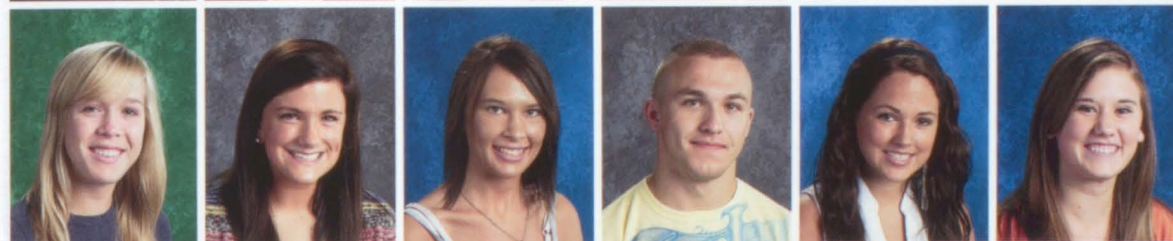
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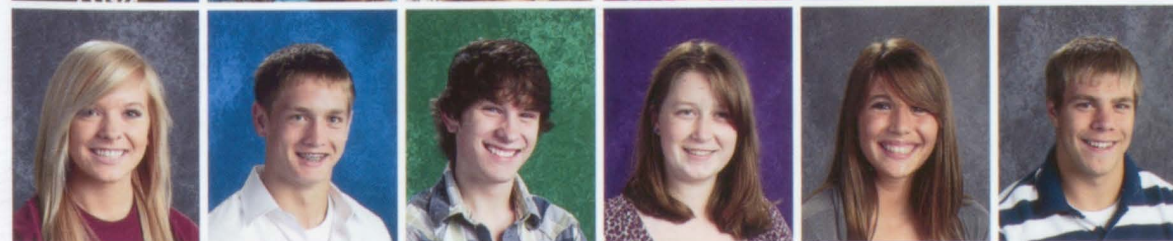
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Nicholas Reinke
Maxwell Rickel



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Rachel Riner
Alyssa Robb
Elise Roche
Natasha Rosckes
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Callie Schroeder
Micheal Schuette

Andrew Schulenberg
Morgan Schultz
Caleb Seeman
Tyler Selleck
Ariel Shane
Rebecca Shirk



Stewart Sievers
Christopher Sinclair
Joshua Sinnen
Amanda Smith
Robert Smith
Whitney Snyder



Angela Spletstoeser
Jacob St Amand
Jacob Stahn
Tyler Stauffer
Alexander Steinbrueck
Jack Stephan



Scarlett Sterner
Mason Stiller
Spencer Stiller
Austin Stole
Joshua Strate
Kara Stroming



Payge Stushek
Nicole Sullivan
Byron Synstegaard
Zachary Synstegaard
Mira Thauern
Kelly Tibbitts



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Christopher Traxler
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Katherine Tusha
Chelsea Vanderhoff



Kayla Vit
Sara Wachholz
Jessica Walter
Mackenzie Watson
Paige Weiland
Mariah Werlich



Alexander Wickeham
James Widmer
Jordan Wildung
Brooke Willborg
Nicole Winkelman
Dylan Wirries





Brandon Woytke
Alexander Zajac
Julie Zakashefski

BE IN 'SYNC WITH YOURSELF

What song best represents you?



"Pocket Full of Sunshine" by
Natasha Bedingfield
-Jessica Kullman



"Born To Be Wild"
by Steppenwolf because we
like to be crazy."
-Victoria Larkin &
Julia Johnson



"I'm Too Sexy' by Right Said
Fred because I am."
-Nicholas Lundquist



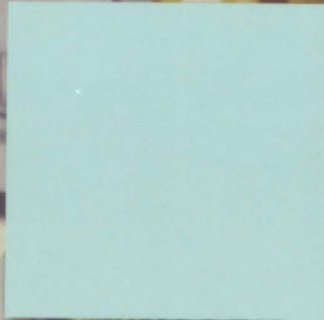
"Fine Again' by Seether
because I like the song and I
can relate to the lyrics."
-Aaron Becker

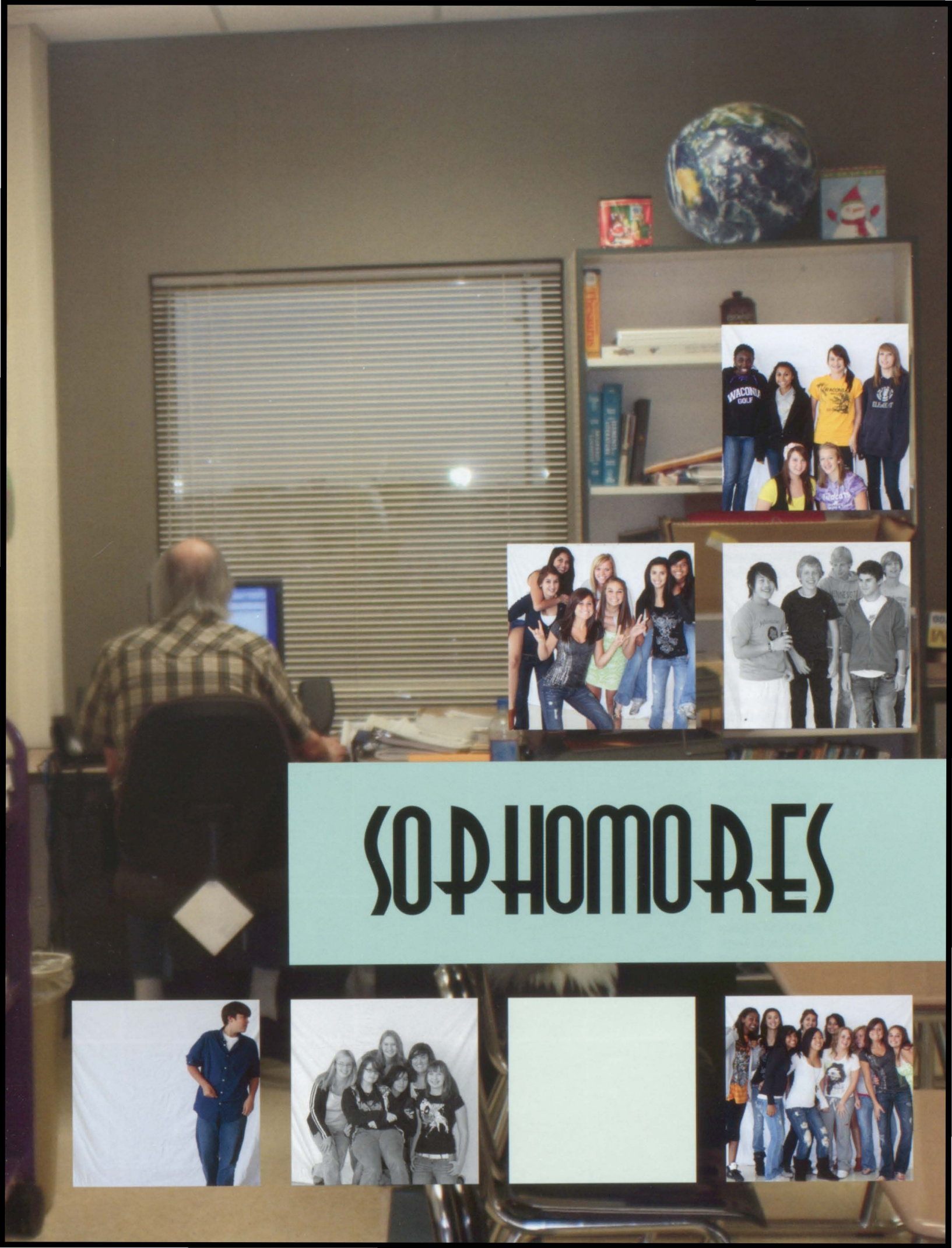


"Obsessed' by Mariah Carey
because we are obsessed with
each other!"
-Alisha Bruner &
Morgan Schultz

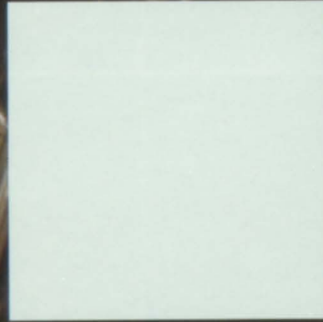


"One is the Loneliest Number'
by The Beatles because I don't
have friends."
-Garrett Bass





SOPHOMORES



Devin Aadland
Garrett Aalfs
Rania Ahmed
Elena Albert
Caylee Albright
Ariadne Alvarez



Alexis Ament
Amanda Amoe
Alexandra Anderson
Micah Asleson
Jacob Bass
Logan Baumann



Maria Benedict
Corrina Bergquist
Josiah Berry
Andriy Bezpalko
Brandon Birlew
Brittany Black



Nicole Blackketter
Courtney Borka
Marshall Born
Renee Bourgeois
Samuel Braunschhausen
Todd Broll



Jeffrey Brown
Faithful Brueggemeier
Alexandra Buck
Matthew Bullis
Kelsey Burmeister
Daniel Cafarella



Evan Carlson
Melody Carman
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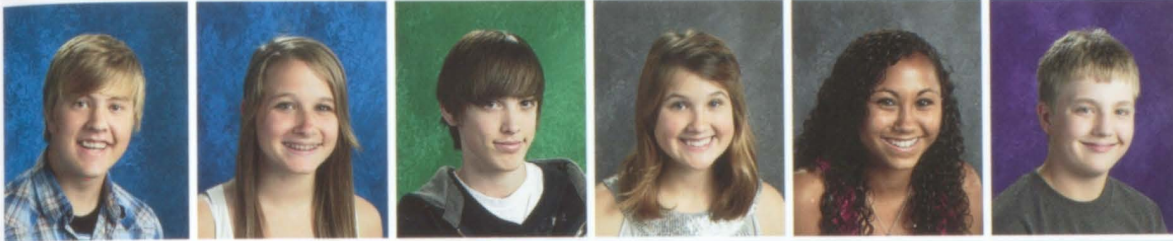


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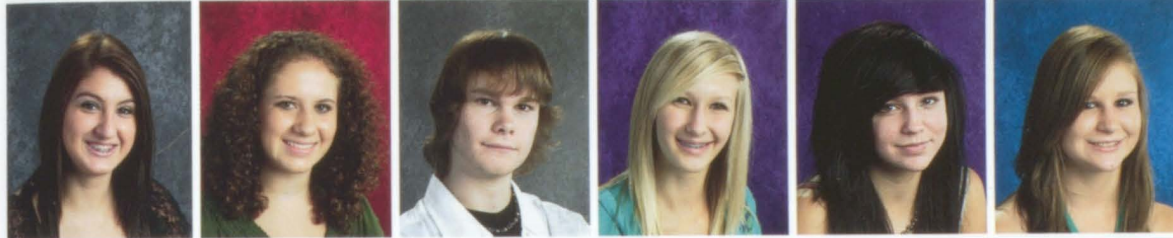
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Ellie Gorghuber



Alyson Graff
Stephanie Gregoire
Cody Gregory
Deanna Gregory
Mikayla Grenke
Valerie Grimm



Kelsie Gunnufson
Victoria Haler
Colleen Halloran
Paddy Halloran
Lindsay Harder
Alexander Hart-Thomas



Andrew Haselhorst
Peder Haugsby
Ashley Haus
Taylor Helle
Jeffrey Hennen
Kole Herrick



Brittany Herrmann
Rachel Hill
Joshua Hiltbrand
Robert Holmberg
Grady Holtberg
Benjamin Hubert



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Cassie Johnson
Lucas Johnson
Madeline Johnson
Sierra Johnson
Xzaviera Johnson

Leah Jones
Taylor Kahl
Dustin Kamish
Marisa Keidel
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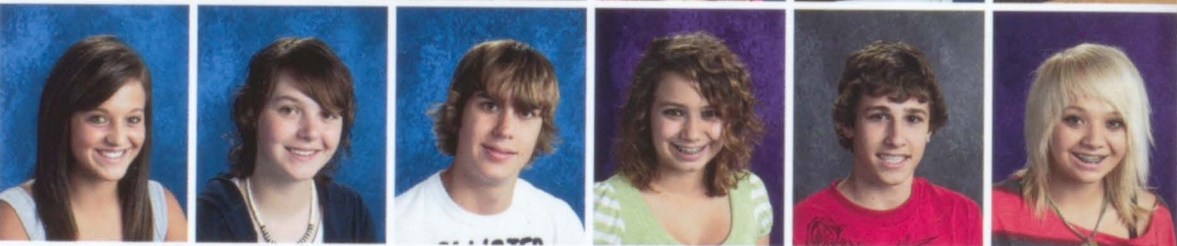
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Emily Moore
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Everett Rinke
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Ryan Wood
Cameron Wright





Tyler Wright
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Suzanna Wymore
Rachel Wynsteker
Justin Young
Gabriel Younkin

WHAT WOULD YOUR DREAM JOB BE?



"...a professional head shaver
because it's fun."

-Everett Rinke



"...umm... a doctor?"

-Laura Schmitt



"...a psychiatrist because I give
good advice."

-Kaylee Flournoy



"I would be a teacher because I
love kids."

-Heather Klitzke



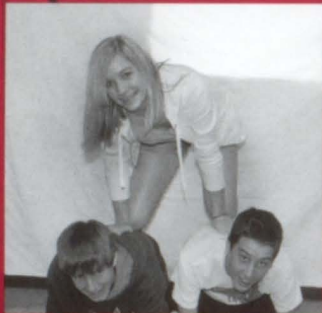
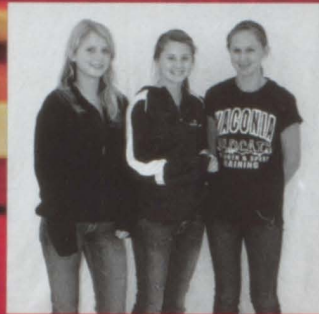
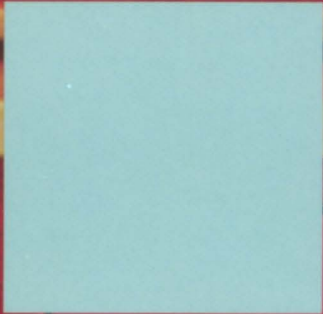
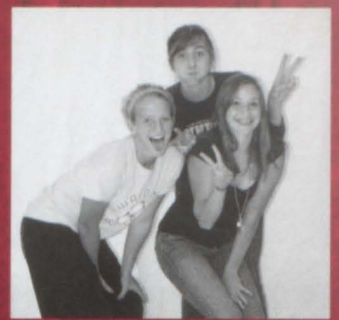
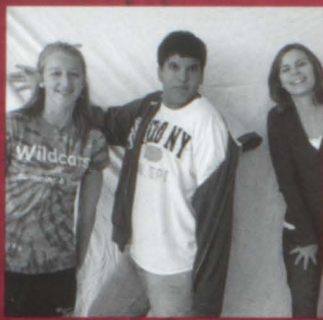
"...a radiologist because it looks
cool."

-Anthony Rupp



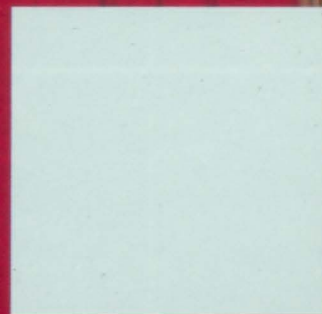
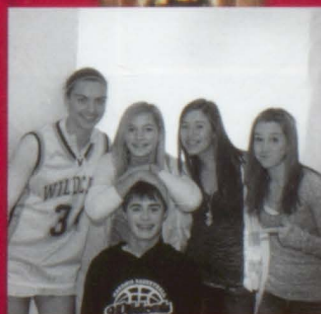
"I want to be an interior
designer."

-Melody Carman





FRESHMEN



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Jade Anderson
Maggie Anderson



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Nicholas Asmussen
Chantel Austin
Katelyn Bachmeyer-Parker
Joseph Bartz
Natalie Beaton



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Daniel Butz
Melissa Capaul
William Carlisle
Courtne Carver



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Kalie Christensen
Kayla Christensen
Ryan Christensen
Tyler Christensen



Sarah Christians
Cody Clark
Britney Cox
Amanda Daley
Bernadette Dantona
Kody Delange





Fiona Demario
Steven Diehl
Nicholas Dirnberger
Heidi Dray
Stephanie Dressen
Bianca Ebako



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Eveline Emo
Paige Erickson
Seth Erickson
Brynn Everett



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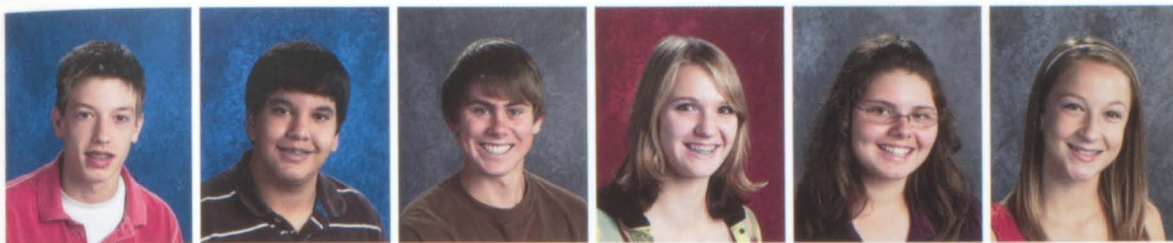


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Teddi Lund





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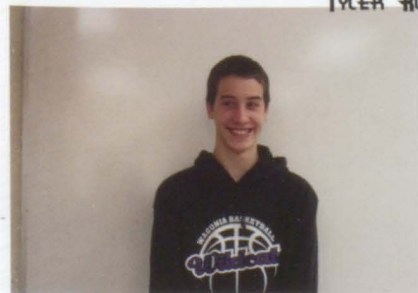
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JUST BEING YOURSELF

What is one word that best describes you?

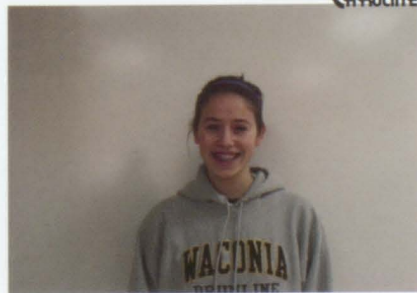
"Wow!"

TULIA HUENINEN



"Crazy"

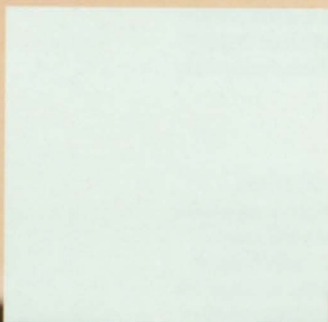
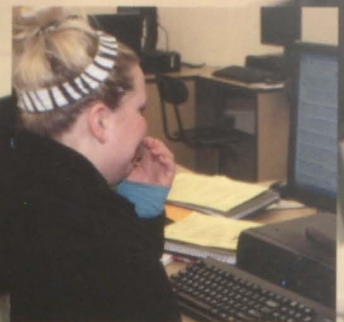
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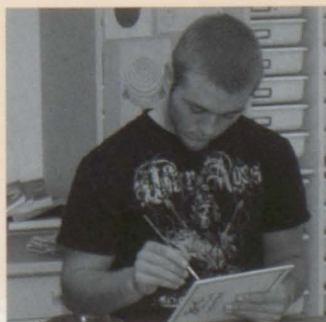
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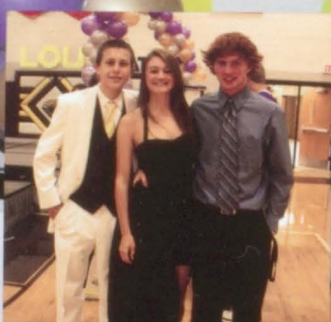
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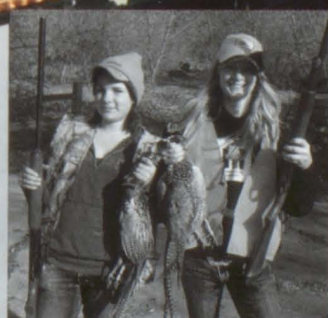


LOUD CATS!





ACTIVITIES



BEHIND THE SCENES

Ladders, black cats and broken mirrors aren't common sights at school, but they were on Friday, Nov. 13, when National Arts Honor Society and SADD teamed up to present "Superstitions," the 2009 Living Live show.

Much like the spring coffeehouse, which is another NAHS event, Living Live gives students a chance to showcase their talents in a low key, laidback format.

"The school has many great opportunities, but not all students have time to be in the groups. Living Live gives them a chance to participate and have some fun," said advisor Amy Fischer.

NAHS members created scenery and props, helped in the concession stand, and promoted the event throughout the school.

There are no talent requirements to join NAHS; students just have to show that art is an important part of their lives. They also must participate in half the activities and at least four art related service projects. This national group offers scholarships for some students.

They average about 50 participants in grades 10- 12 and always have a variety of activities throughout the year including a field trip to Activision Studios, a company that creates video games, a visit to a Minneapolis art museum and a visit to the Minneapolis Center for Book Arts.



Above: Senior Trevor Horning plays guitar and sings to a variety of songs at Living Live. Right: Seniors Nicholas Allen and Gunnar Sipper perform together and do their best to get the crowd more involved.



Left: Addy Scrimgeour, Jared Tuttle, Margaux Jensen, and Bailey Monson take a break following the February NAHS meeting. The group planned an upcoming field trip.



Left: Marshall Born plays the drums during a performance at Living Live. There were a variety of instruments played that night.



Left: Senior Soren Wille beat boxes with other performers. There were many different types of musical and theatrical acts at Living Live 2009.

DID YOU KNOW...

The first pigments used in painting were ground from earth, minerals, and organic matter.

In 1962 DaVinci's *Mona Lisa* was valued at \$100 million

Picasso could draw before he could walk.

The first illustrated book was printed in Germany in 1658.

The first color photograph was made in 1861 and was of a ribbon.



Left: Sophomore Deano Erickson plays the guitar as senior Cecelia Findorff sings at Living Live on Friday Nov. 13. They were performing songs written by Findorff.

Below: Seniors Erica Karels and Carly Stockert sing songs and help entertain the crowd at Living Live. Many performed original material at the venue.



Left: This year's NAHS officers include (front row) Margaux Jensen and Jared Tuttle; (back row) Cecelia Findorff, Addy Scrimgeour, Abigail Christensen, Julie Zakashefski and Bailey Monson.



Left: Sophomore Christine Leonard sings along with accompaniment on the Living Live stage. Despite the "unlucky" theme, all the performers did well.



Left: Sophomores Kevin Knutson and Marshall Born perform next to a ladder set up on the stage. The ladders were there to emphasize the superstitions theme.

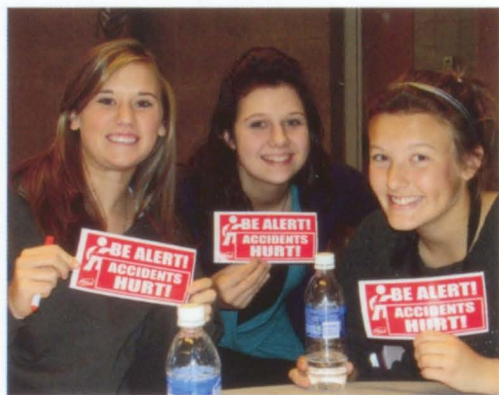


Left: Senior James Russell sings and plays songs on the guitar with Deano Erickson.

2009-2010 FCCLA Highlights

- All region Star Event participants earned a trip to compete at the state competition
- Money earned at the Winterfest dance was donated to the Children's Miracle Network
- Began a bullying prevention program at Southview and Bayview Elementary schools

Right: Seniors Sarah Farlow, Emma Wabbe, and Bethany Aeling create a poster for the Winterfest dress up days. The poster was hung in the front lobby so students would remember what to wear. Below: Juniors Annmarie Powers, Kaitlyn Heenie, and Marisa Melchert hold up the stickers the group created to remind students to be safe while driving.



Right: Senior Laurel Pierson gives her presentation on her concern that consumers are unaware of what goes into their meat products.



Left: Officers James Froehling, Allison Armstrong, Stephanie McGinn, Emily Mueller, Victoria Larkin, and Melchert hold the FCCLA banner.



Left: Jimmy Froehling and Chaneen Haler practice their Star Event presentation at the annual Star Event Open House.



Left: Nicole Wynsteker holds a sign to remind students to wear their seatbelts and to honk if they are. Many can proudly drive by honking.

BEING CREATIVE

"Life's a canvas - create it." This was the Minnesota FCCLA State theme this year. The Waconia chapter developed their projects around this theme.

Senior Stephanie McGinn did a career investigations project this year. She designed her future career and learned about what it takes to be a speech pathologist. Seniors Allison Armstrong and Jordan Reeves did a different set of projects this year. They worked with the elementary schools to teach young children about using their caring hearts and not bullying others. They also worked with the middle school children to create the WAVE program, Wildcats Against Violence Everyday.

Another large group project in FCCLA this year was the parley team. The parley team conducts business meetings for the chapter using the parliamentary procedures. They compete against other teams at state to see who has created the best business meeting.

"Parley is a way to explore something new and unusual I've never done before," said parley team member Marisa Melchert.

Senior Laurel Pierson's project concentrated on food consumption and food safety. She created a workshop to teach other students about this topic. Juniors James Froehling and Chaneen Haler created a plan to lower the energy expenses of the school. They also created a workshop to teach students about energy efficiency in their homes.

"FCCLA is a great way for students to be involved with the community and help other people," said Froehling.



Left: Seniors Jordan Reeves and Armstrong, juniors Katelynn Doherty, Megan Midthun, and Larkin lead classes in the activities they created. Above: Mueller and Froehling get ready to present their Star Event projects.



Left: Waconia had strong participation at the region Star Event competition. This year, one hundred percent of the competitors advanced to state competition.



Left: Seniors Aeling, Sarah Farlow, and Kelsey Wenning carry boxes full of T-shirts to be donated to Haiti following the devastating earthquake.



Left: FCCLA helps out others in need. FCCLA set out boxes for students to donate their old T-shirts to be sent to Haiti to be made into diapers.



Left: Freshman Paul Winkelman and junior Dawn Miller prepare to take the pledge.



Left: Junior Bailey Monson places a ribbon on Officer Karnes' squad car during Red Ribbon Week.



Left: Junior Julia Johnson ties a ribbon around a car during Red Ribbon Week in hopes that students will make good decisions.



Above: Students wrote their names on the pledge to stay drug and alcohol free.

Right: Sophomore Ellie Gorghuber places a ribbon on a car during Red Ribbon Week.



FUN FACTS

- Founded in 1981 as Students Against Driving Drunk
- The original goal of SADD was to help students say "no" to drinking and driving.
- SADD expanded its mission and changed its name to Students Against Destructive Decisions in 1997.
- 86% of teens and 95% of adults think that SADD is a good influence.

Right: Senior Addy Scrimgeour places a ribbon on a car. During Red Ribbon Week, students placed ribbons on cars in the school's parking lot. These ribbons were to remind students to make good decisions in their lives.





Left: Junior Elyse Herman places a ribbon on a car, being an active member for Red Ribbon Week.



Left: Students gather in the front lobby after Red Ribbon Weeks assembly. The students were all waiting to sign the Pledge.



Left: Senior Margaux Jenson and junior Bennett Frey speak at the Red Ribbon Week assembly.



Above: Sophomore Alison Klein signs the Pledge.

Left: Seniors Anna Weitz and Jordan Reeve light candles at Red Ribbon Weeks assembly.

BE THE ANTI-DRUG

Growing from 75 members to over 200 members, Students Against Destructive Decisions has grown tremendously in the last couple years. These role models of the school have all made a choice to live drug and alcohol free.

This year, one of SADD's main activities was Red Ribbon Week. Its purpose was to raise students awareness about the goal of SADD. Students were encouraged to take part in the weeks activities, even if they weren't in the club. "The fact that there are a lot more activities made kids more interested," said Dana Rathmanner, SADD advisor.

Each day of Red Ribbon Week had a theme. Students could dress up according to what the day's theme was. One activity allowed students to place red ribbons on car windshields to remind students to make safe decisions in their lives.

Red Ribbon Week was kicked off by an assembly in the auditorium. SADD members stood on the stage and lit a candle, each stating how they were going to stay drug and alcohol free. Afterwards, all students were encouraged to sign the pledge to stay drug and alcohol free.

"It was a great way for people to get involved with SADD," said senior Nicole Gregory.

Red Ribbon Week was not only an educational week for students, it was also meant to be fun for them. SADD has only grown over the years, so perhaps more students are becoming more aware of its goal.

BEING A VOICE FOR THE STUDENT BODY

The 2009-2010 Student Council had one main goal: to unite the student body and build on past school years' traditions.

Composed of students from all four grades who were chosen during the spring of 2009, student council members met for meetings every other Monday at 7 a.m. Led by Student Council President Meredith Proulx and co-advisors Dustin Neibauer and Drew Sodey, members planned major school activities including Spirit Week, the Spirit Week dance, Turkey Bingo, holiday hot chocolate distribution, the Teacher Appreciation breakfast, and one new project – recognizing each student and staff member's birthday.

Besides unifying the school, the council also hosts one major service project – the school blood drive, held in February. Completing all these activities takes a lot of teamwork and cooperation.

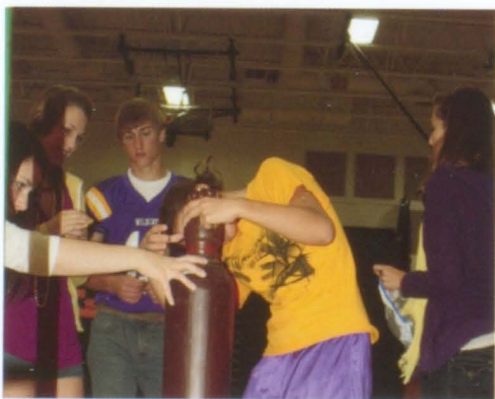
"We form one team no matter what grade or age someone is," said junior Katie Hennie.

At the end of the year, student council members take a field trip to Mall of America as a way of rewarding themselves for all their hard work.

"It's a way for us to have fun at the end of the year and to say goodbye to the senior members on the council," said Heenie.



Above: Senior Brittany Van Houtte is helping set up for this Homecoming coronation. The student council organized many Spirit Week events.



Above: Members had to learn how to work the helium tank. Right: Jennifer Cafarella, Brittany Van Houtte, Larkin Scholla and Paige Weiland assemble the stage.



Left: Junior Abigale Christenson is playing around during the set up of coronation. She is a first-year member.



Left: Senior Anna Weitz helps secure the balloons to the stage.



Left: Junior Luke Kassmeyer, a first year member, fills the balloons with helium. Spirit Week coronation is one of student council's many activities.

BEING HELPFUL IN TIMES OF NEED

Peer Helpers planned events that helped the school and the communities of District 110. They began the year by giving tours to new students and their families. They also hosted a pizza party for students who were new to the district and for all foreign exchange students.

But their helpfulness extended beyond the classroom during Stuff-A-Truck, a contest that encouraged all first hour classes to collect non-perishable food items.

Peer Helpers treated each weekly winner. The office won week one, collecting 239 pounds; Ms. Palma's class won week two, collecting 82 pounds. Mr. Bristor's class won week three, collecting 385 pounds, and Mrs. Kuerschner's class, the overall winner of a pizza party, collected 1,140.8 pounds of food.

Overall, Waconia High School collected 5,230.3 pounds of food, which was stuffed into a large truck and sent to Mackethun's County Market.

Peer Helpers help as much as they can for our school and community.

Advisor Lynette Alger takes a lot of pride in her Peer Helpers.

"My favorite part is seeing the good deeds being done," said Alger. "I was given this job, but I wouldn't give it up."



Above: Senior Justin Spurbeck is gathering non-perishable food items from each class. Each class had different amounts of food.



Left: Seniors Maddie Asbjornson, Kelsey Brennan, Becky Boughten, Daniel Fischbach and Alyssa Hennen are packing food into the truck.

Above: Becky Boughten, Laura Schmitt, Maria Spurbeck hoist boxes onto the truck.



Left: Students at the high school collected 5,230 pounds of food. The office, Miss Palma, Mr. Bristor and Mrs. Kuerschner won the weekly contests.



Left: Juniors Victoria Larkin, Jessica Heimdal, and Whitney Buesgens are getting ready to start loading food into the truck.



Left: Justin Spurbeck and sophomore Taylor Hell weigh food items in the English department.

BECOME ACTIVE IN YOUR COMMUNITY

National Honor Society thrives on making a difference in the community by helping in any way possible.

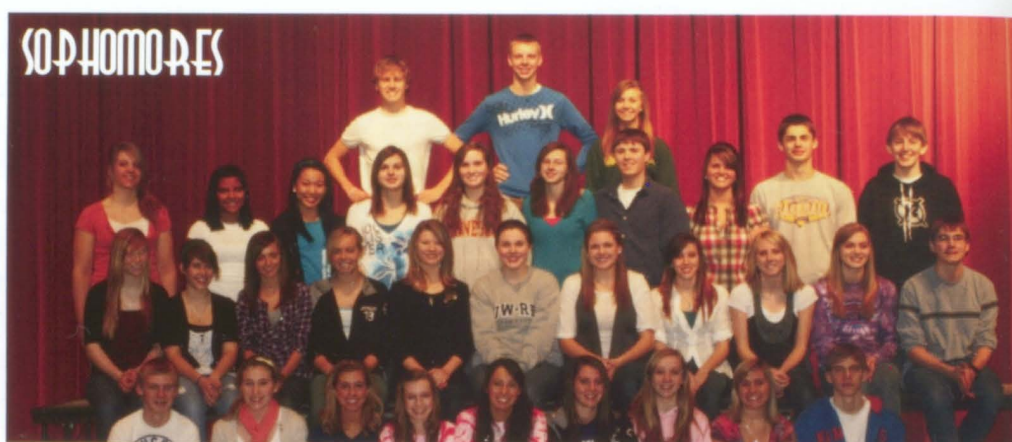
Sophomores through seniors who have complete 40 service hours, who have a cumulative GPA of 3.5, and who are involved in three activities may apply for induction into NHS. Currently, there are 120 members.

"I have learned so much more about the opportunities for community service," said junior Tori Larkin. "Joining NHS made me more aware of the numerous ways to help the community."

This year there were many ways to help. One of the most popular was the Dollars for Scholars telethon. The goal was to raise scholarship money for seniors.

"Even though it's all a lot of work, in the end it's nice to know it all went to someone who needs the help," said junior Chaneen Haler.

Sophomores First Row: Cameron Pomeroy, Taylor Kahl, Taylor Helle, Madeline Johnson, Marissa Kidel, Kelsey Gunnufson, Maddie Johnson, Alison Klein, Colin Lieb; Second Row: Paige Ehalt, Kaitlin Cook, Abigail Dejewski, Sierra Johnson, Noel Russell, Hanna Wille, Laura Wagener, Victoria Haler, Rachel Sanborn, Laura Schmitt, Joshua Hiltabrand; Third row: Christine Leonard, Sylvia Tristan, Hannah Miyamoto, Stephanie Wall, Kelly Pingeon, Rachel Weitz, Scott Miller, Suzanna Wymore, Dalton Sowyer, Jacob Bass; Fourth Row: Drew Niebauer, Everett Rinke, Maria Spurbeck



Juniors First Row: Quincee Raymond, Abigale Christenson, Kelcey Albers, Kaydee Bohanon, Sean Linden, Marissa Lind, Anna Christensen, Chaneen Haler, Caitlyn Engler, Meghan Radde, Whitney Buesgens, Timothy Deweese; Second Row: Ariel Shane, Stacy Christenson, Amanda Beulieu, Heather Kalthoff, Katelyn Bouchard, Brooke Willborg, Scarlet Sterner, Julia Johnson, Annabelle Jacobs, Katelyn Anderson, Turi Hjelsand, Kendra Johnson, AnnMarie Powers; Third Row: Joshua Frischmon, Calvin Brown, Matt Lund, Nick Hennen, Garret Bass, Dennis Taylor-Rathke, Max Herrera, Eric Durkin, Kyler Trink, Luke Kassmeyer



Seniors First Row: Meredith Proulx, Kirsten Lederer, Lisa Rasmussen, Anna Weitz, Emily Muller, Becky Boughten, Rebecca Kimyon, Margaux Jensen, Laurel Peterson; Second Row: Jennifer Caferella, Leah Christensen, Rebecca Hughes, Britta Rinke, Brittany Van Houtte, Patrick Logelin, Daniel Fischbach, Logan Sohns, Michael Brown, Joseph Sandholm; Third Row: Kelsey Woodland, Kelsey Peters, Jesse Sterner, Benjamin Metling, Resse Weber, Claire Perkins



BEING A ROLEMODEL

Once a week, America Reads students go to one of three elementary schools to help kids with their reading skills.

"America Reads is a very popular program. We have more volunteers than we have spaces available," said American Reads coordinator and Assistant Principal Jeff Jeska.

Many participants love seeing their elementary student progress.

"I love helping the kids, and seeing their improvement after the first month is probably the best feeling," said junior Morgan Schultz.

Seeing progress is one small reward while working with students.

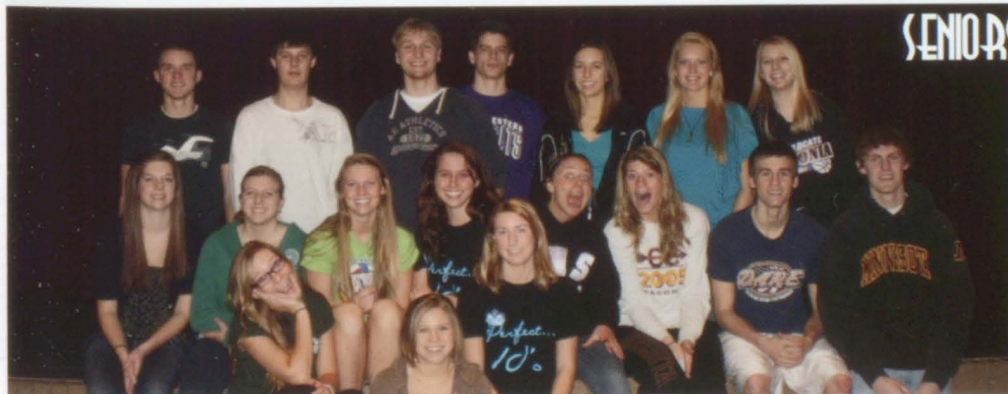
"I love when the kids get excited when they finish a book, play a game, or get a prize for reading," said junior AnnMarie Powers. "It makes it fun for them as they learn more each week."



Sophomores First Row: Christine Leonard, Allison Klien, Stephanie Gregoire, Alexandra Doeden; Second Row: Amanda Cook, Alexandra Buck, Ashley Haus, Renee Bourgeois;



Juniors First Row: Annabelle Jacobs, AnnMarie Powers, Kaitlyn Heenie, Sean Linden, Anna Pogatchnik, Morgan Schultz, Rachel Flemig; Second Row: Josh Frischmon, Byron Synstegaard, Alyse Herman, Victoria Larkin, Jennifer Grey, Quincee Raymond, Kendra Johnson, Chandra Honebrink; Third Row: Zach Synstegaard, Nicholas Hennen, Timothy Deweese, Tanner Friedrich;



Seniors First Row: Meredith Proulx, Claire Perkins, Kelsey Peters; Second Row: Emily Mueller, Allison Armstrong, Jessica Rice, Addy Scrimgeour, Kelsey Woodland, Allison Dunkleberger, Patrick Logelin, Daniel Fischbach; Third Row: Reese Weber, Benjamin Metling, Logan Sohns, Michael Brown, Rebecca Hughes, Becky Boughten, Britta Rinke;

BELIEVING IN A BIGGER PICTURE

Journalism is not only writing the newest, most exciting story, but also creating the bigger picture. Being that a few words describe more than a couple simple interviews, the journalism students worked hard to investigate and produce an original story. From English to history, many classes are incorporated in the building of the students' writings.

"Journalism is unlike all of my other classes. It can be difficult sometimes, but I can take everything that I learn and apply it to my other classes," said freshman Ivonne Lopez.

Along with many other assignments and worksheets, the students take turns doing headlines, which help with their understanding of how to investigate and research.

"Everyday, somebody has to share three important things that happened the previous day," said freshman Elizabeth Potente. "Headlines are my favorite part of class because it is always interesting to see what people will investigate."

Since journalism is taken as an elective, the class is not as strict as most of the core classes. Also, students of all grades are able to participate and join in the art of writing.

"I love how laid back the class is and how easy it is for students of all different grades to communicate. It gives the class a unique style and helps teach us to get along," said junior Ramya Melichar.



Above: Caity Krieg interviews Mr. Jeska.

Below: Front Row: Zach Mueller; Second Row: Kryslyn Olson, Caity Krieg, Scarlett Stermer; Back Row: Taylor Nelson, Nicole Neumann, Ivonne Lopez, Liz Potente, Alexanna Giluck, Carrie Osborn and Alexandra Anderson.



Above: Extracurricular journalism: Jennifer Cafarella, Emily Mueller and Angie Carner.



Left: Senior Emily Mueller looks over the newspaper copy to make sure there are no errors.



Left: Junior Angie Carner uses Adobe InDesign to complete a newspaper layout.



Left: Senior Jennifer Cafarella looks at the *Waconia Patriot* to get story ideas for an upcoming *Tracks*.

BEHIND THE MEMORIES

"Become, Believe, Be Who You Want to Be." This year's yearbook theme has evolved around the word, "be."

The editors and yearbook class students worked endlessly to perfect the theme and overall look of the yearbook. For the last few years the yearbook has had the same type of color schemes. That's changed this year.

"This year's color scheme is more pastel as compared to the bright colors of the past," said senior editor Maddie Asbjornson. "There's also less copy than in the past."

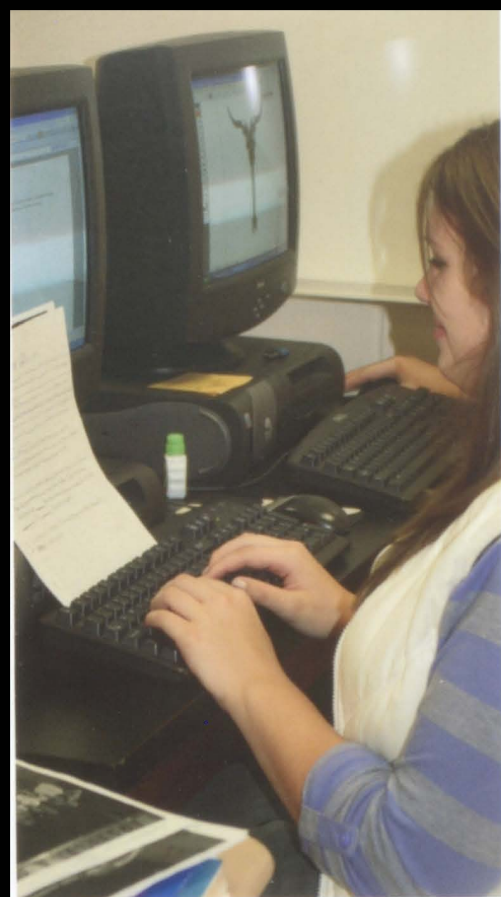
Although editors Maddie Asbjornson, Nicole Fladung and Allyson Klitzke met during the summer to plan the book, the class spent a few days thinking of future headlines.

It is amazing to see how a group of teenagers are able to work together to produce such a piece.

"We put a lot of thought into this and spent a lot of time brainstorming ideas for the 2009-2010 yearbook," said sophomore Maria Benedict.

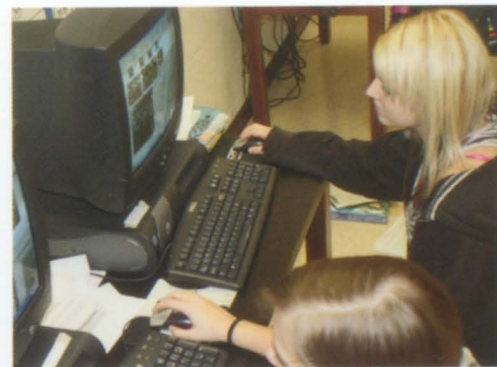
Despite the small number of participants in the class and large portions of work to accomplish, the students worked efficiently while still having an enjoyable time.

"When it comes to our work, Ms. Gregor doesn't 'futz' around, but we always end up having a grand time," said sophomore Samantha Schnyder.



Above: Freshman Kate Schoeder works happily on her copy. She completed the choir spread.

Below: Front Row: Deanna Gregory, Sondra Blaschko, Maddie Asbjornson, Nicole Fladung. Back Row: Courtney Borka, Mary Mahoney, Kasha McKinster, Abigail Awobe, Allyson Klitzke and Kelsey Woodland.



Above: Sophomores Courtney Borka and Maria Benedict work to complete their spreads. Benedict worked on the football spread, and Borka completed the cheerleading spread.



Left: Senior Nicole Fladung looks over proofs before sending them back to Taylor Publishing. Nicole was one of the three editors this year.



Left: Fladung and senior Caity Krieg look over last year's yearbook to look for ways to change this year's spreads.



Left: Editor-in-Chief Maddie Asbjornson completes her spread for the fourth deadline. This was her third year being on the yearbook staff.

BEING RADICAL

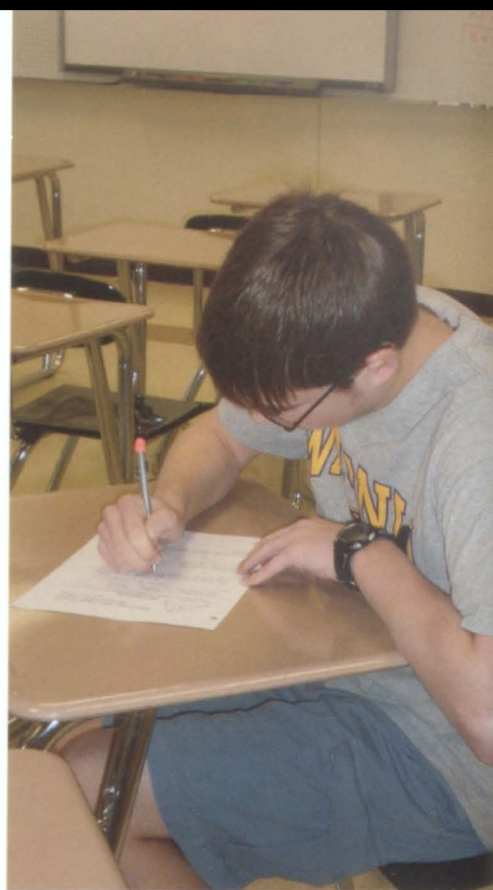
Led by coach Eric Hansen, this year's math league consisted of four members, all of whom share two things in common: their mathematical abilities and their love of competition.

Math League consists of a four month season with practices and competitions beginning in November and ending in February. There's also a state competition held in March for teams who qualify.

Team members would meet in Hansen's room after school to work on competition materials. Practices consisted of working on practice problems and taking practice tests from previous years. It was also a good way for students to discuss perplexing mathematical problems and concepts.

This year the team competed in five competitions, four of which were held at Shakopee High School.

During competition, there are four individual events that consist of topics in algebra, geometry, trigonometry and pre-calculus. There is also a team event, which is a mixture of all four. For the team event, each team selects eight of its members. Since the WHS team was a few members short, team members only competed in the individual portion of the competition.

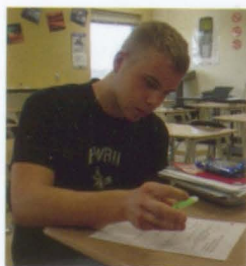
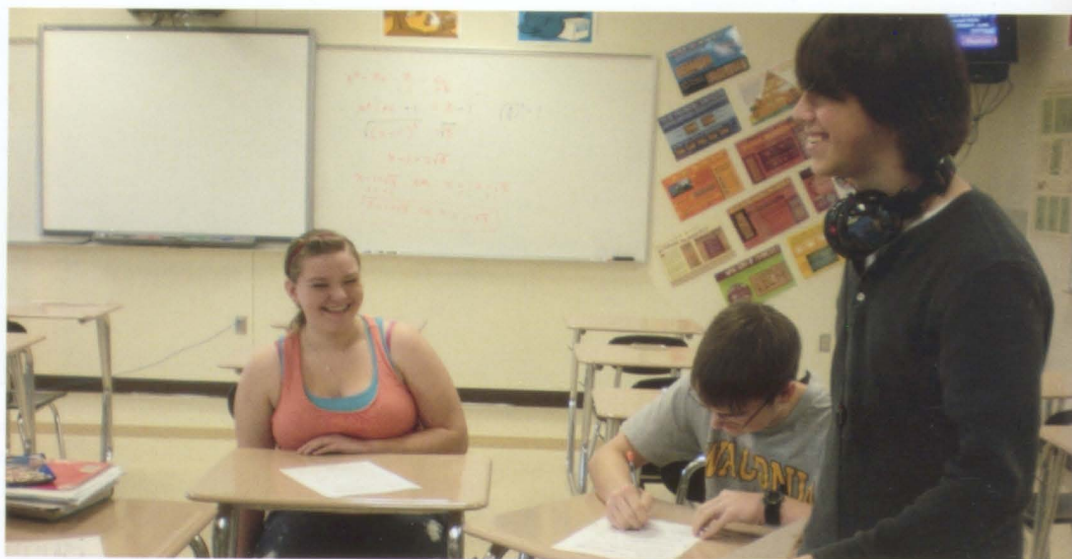


Above: Sophomore Joshua Hiltbrand works on a problem during a team practice. The math league competed in five competitions this year.



Above: The group works hard to get their problems done.

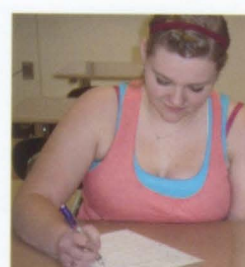
Right: Senior Gunnar Sipper shows the group his answers and how he got them.



Left: Senior Corey Barret thinks hard about the problems on his paper.



Left: Senior John Mahoney checks out his paper to make sure his answers are correct.



Left: Sophomore Julie Thaemert works carefully and in pencil so that she makes no mistakes.

BEING AUDIBLE

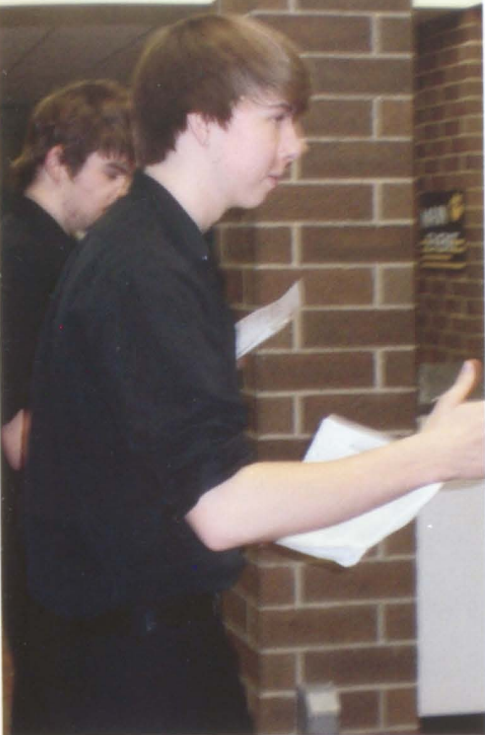
Beep, beep, beep... On a cold Saturday morning, Nick Allen's alarm goes off early in the morning. Across town, Gunnar Sipper groggily awakes. Each boy makes his way to the school at 6:30, ready to load the bus to the speech meet at Eden Prairie High School.

To speech team's eleven participants, Saturday competitions and late night competitions are nothing new. The team, in its third year of existence, competed at five competitions. The Mankato East competition was especially rewarding for team members. Here, seniors Gunnar Sipper and Nick Allen took home first place in the Dynamic Duo category with their piece "Not A Creature Was Stirring," and juniors Bennet Frey and Max Rickel took second place in the Duo category with "Drugs Are Bad." Sophomore Kindra Melichar also had a good day, earning second place in the Serious Interpretation of Poetry category with "On the Pulse of Morning."

Team advisor Adam Bristor felt very happy about the team's showing.

"It was fun to see the team's hard work pay off at East, where we came home with six ribbons," said Bristor.

Bristor said this year's team has been a very satisfying group to work with. He said he'll miss the graduating seniors, who have "really helped the speech team grow in a way that will pay off in future years."



Above: Juniors Jacob Stahn and Maxwell Rickel practice by presenting their speeches to no one in particular. This is a common sight at speech meets.

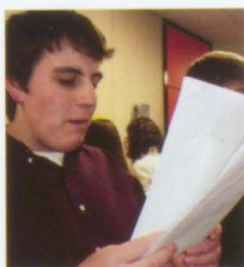


Left: Sophomore Kindra Melichar practices her piece, "On the Pulse of Morning."

Above: Freshman Brittany Schelitzche gets serious before beginning the competition.



Left: Senior Nick Allen is on his way to practice his part in the piece "Not A Creature Was Stirring." Allen competed in the duo category with Gunnar Sipper.



Left: Junior Bennet Frey focuses on some last minute preparations before beginning the first round at the speech meet at Mankato East High School.



Left: Advisor Adam Bristor takes a minute to decipher his surroundings at Mankato East.



Left: Junior Autumn Ament is getting ready to portray her witness. In the end, she did a great job.



Left: Sophomore Carl Mathwig is getting his game face on. He made sure the other team was nervous.



Left: Freshman Noah McCourt was one of the attorneys/bailiffs. He made sure to give one hundred percent each competition.



Above: Junior Theodore Gilliam is getting ready to object to the attorney's statement.

Right: Rachel Weitz, Cynthia Weiland, Larkin Scholla, Kasha McKinster, Autumn Ament, Ariel Shane. Back row: Carl Mathwig, Garrett Aalfs, Theodore Gilliam, Alex Gilliam, Angie Carner, Noah McCourt, Susan Lund



BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT

As the presiding judge had just walked through the doors, the whole defense side of the mock trial team was getting nervous, choked up - you name it- it was happening. The pressure was on. They were in the playoffs. Each side had three attorneys, three witnesses, one time keeper and one bailiff. Unfortunately, by the end of the round, Lakeville South had 234 points and Waconia had 220. Waconia lost its playoff round.

With a total of 12 people on the team, there were six attorneys, six witnesses, two timekeepers and two bailiffs. Some people had multiple roles.

The Waconia Mock Trial team went to four official rounds. They had two rounds against Lakeview South, one against Holy Family, and one against Eden Prairie. They lost both rounds against Eden Prairie, the first by 22 points and the last by 14 points. Waconia defeated Holy Family by two points. Waconia also defeated Eden Prairie by 49 points. The biggest winning range of all teams.

Sixth year coach Susan Lund wanted them to progress as far as possible. Most importantly, she wanted the team to improve as much as they could. She felt the biggest events of the year, were the U of M tournament, the Sleepy Eye scrimmage, and the playoffs.

"I think the team did an excellent job. They not only made it to playoffs, but had amazing rounds," said Lund.



Left: Sophomore Garrett Aalfs questions the witness during a competition.



Left: Freshman Rachel Weitz is portraying herself to the judge. She had to make sure she was a true witness.



Left: The team is relaxing after the round. They knew that they had given it their all.



Above: Noah McCourt is questioning Kasha McKinster about her role in the case.

Left: Junior Larkin Scholla made sure her witness Carl Mathwig, got everything right.



Competition Scores

	W	O
Lakeville South	207	229
Holy Family	182	180
Eden Prairie	178	227
Lakeville South	220	234

Left: Members of the Mock Trial team debrief following a competition at the McLeod County Courthouse in Hutchinson. The team competed in four competitions throughout the year.

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM, INTO THE WORLD

International Club works to broaden the students' horizons in the global community and to promote cultural awareness through fun, friendship and service.

"It's just a group of people who are learning about the different cultures and expanding their world," said advisor Kari Stevenson.

Mr. Fredericksen spoke about his trip to China during the after school assembly on Wednesday, Nov. 18. The group watched a short film and ate Chinese food.

"I learned how to say *ni hao*, which means *hello* in Chinese," said Fredericksen.

Rachel Flemming, Victoria Larkin, Brook Wilburg, Megan Radde, and Emily Mueller planned events and got communications out to the other club members.

The club planned many events including field trips, the international week, Waconia High School festival of Nations, a movie night, and completed two service projects, Feed My Starving Children and Heifer International.

Stevenson said the club's activities allow students to explore different cultures while doing something positive for other people.



Top: Seniors Rachel Carlsted and Cristin Kieser are making Chinese lanterns.

Right: Juniors Brooke Willborg, Max Herrera, Caleb Seeman and Annabel Jacobs prepare and package meals during the Save My Starving Children outing.



Left: Cristin Kieser is hanging up Chinese lanterns that were created during the after school assembly.



Left: Junior Kelcey Albers and senior Kylie Zawada measure dry ingredients during the Feed My Starving Children service project.



Left: Kirsten Lederer, Annabel Jacobs, Mar-edith Proulx, and Brooke Willborg are watching a short clip of the movie *Skin*.

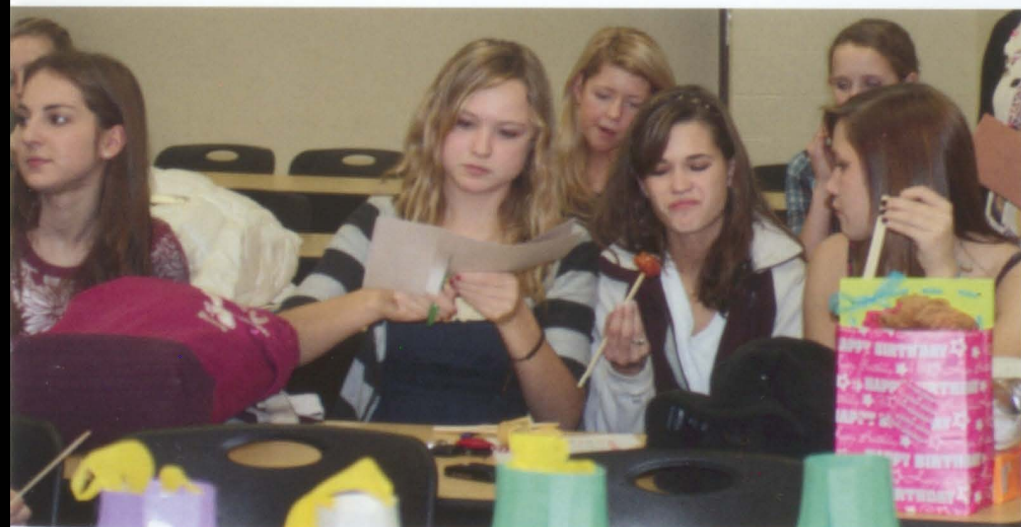


Helping others around the world...

Heifer International: The International Club gathered donations and gave the money to the Heifer International Organization, which in return sends animals to families in third-world countries in need of livestock. The family will then use the animals as their source of income.

Feed My Starving Children: International Club members donated their time at a warehouse in Channahassen where they packaged food to be sent to others in need around the world. They were able to package enough food to feed 20 children for a year.

Left: International Club Advisor Kari Stevenson and Principal Mark Fredericksen are about to demonstrate their chopstick skills following a presentation Fredericksen gave about his trip to China, a trip taken in the summer of 2009.



Top: Junior Meghan Radde and senior Nicole Fladung discuss how to properly use chop sticks. Left: Brooke Willborg, Alyse Herman, Jessica Kullman, Julia Johnson, and Katie Daherty are trying out new foods and activities.



Left: Taryn Stevenson, Kari Stevenson, Rachel Flemig, and Ellie Haggemiller are listening to Mr. Fredericksen's speech about his trip to China this past summer.



Left: sophomores Mary Mahoney, Kelsey Lechner, Deanna Gregory, and junior Larkin Scholla are watching a short-clip of the movie *Skin*.

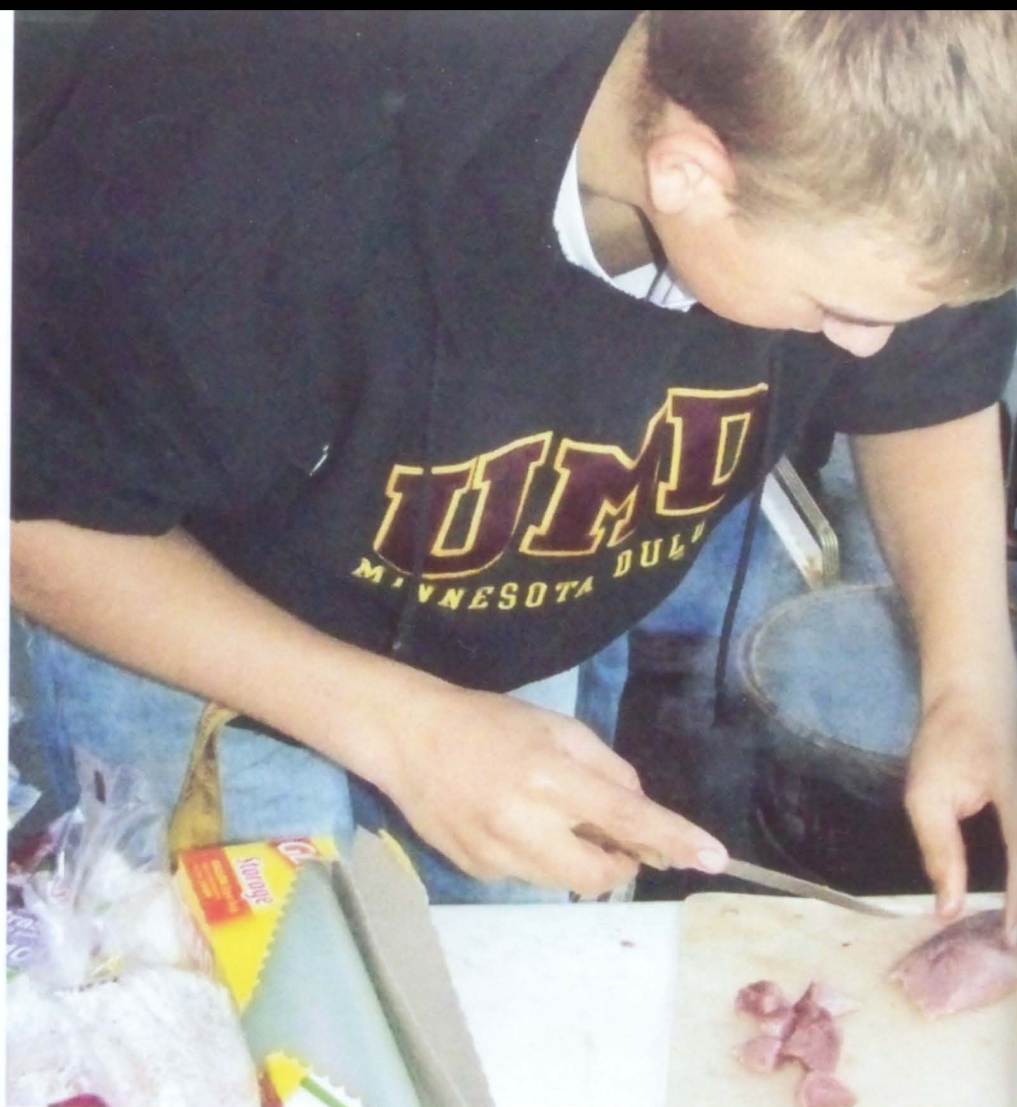


Left: Emily Mueller, Victoria Larkin, Meghan Radde, and Rachel Flemig are this year's International Club officers. They plan both leisure and service activities.

Conservation Club Activities

- Recycling Pick Up
- Fall Ditch Clean up
- Football Game Tailgating
- Pheasant Hunt
- Winter Campout
- Ice Fishing Tourney
- Pheasant Forever Banquet
- Bird Banding
- Lake Waconia Clean Up
- Spring Ditch Clean Up
- Tree Planting
- Trap Shoot

Right: Senior Travis Genz cuts apart pieces of meat for the football tailgating party. Conservation Club members prepared many different types of dishes that featured game meats as the main ingredient.



Above: Meredith Proulx and Dru Delange carry their canoe throughout the trails of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area.

Right: Students take a break for a short swim.



Left: Juniors Rebecca Pederson, Calleigh Melchert, Callie Schroeder, Anna Pogatchnik, and Ellie Haggemiller stop to take a picture together at the tailgating event.



Left: Senior Travis Drees is practicing his shot at the shooting range. Pheasant Hunting was another planned Conservation Club outing.



Left: Students enjoy the feast at the football tailgating party. Mr. Trapp provided many types of food for the students to try.

BEING GREEN, HAVING FUN

From cleaning Lake Waconia to habitat restorations, the conservation club has assisted the community. Although students join to participate in the projects with their friends, their need to give back and help out really shows.

There are many service projects that conservation club members can choose from, but as president of the club senior Pete Brettingen is partially in charge of the decision.

"We figure out what projects we think kids would have fun with and which events we have had success with in the past," said Brettingen.

Since 2006, when the Conservation Club was reorganized, there have been twelve yearly service projects. Although not everyone can participate in each project, the club always tries to incorporate as many people as possible.

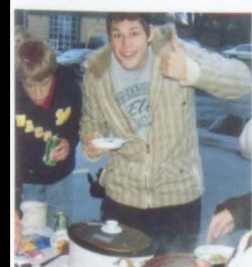
"I'm proud to represent this club because we have such a great group of kids involved. We always have fun no matter what we do," said third-year member and vice president Trevor Horning.

Not only are students able to try new things, such as the food from the tailgating party, but they are also rewarded by a sense of accomplishment.

"People are always asking me if the kids are getting worse as the years pass, but the truth is they are actually amazing people, and I think this club proves that," said advisor, Wayne Trapp.



Right: Seniors Bethany Aeling and Katie Shuman paddle away in the Boundary Waters.
Above: Conservation Club members enter the tent for their winter camping experience.



Left: Junior Shelby Moats gives the food a "thumb's up" while senior Tyler Burmeister looks for something yummy.



Left: Senior Meredith Proulx caught a sunfish while ice fishing during the group's ice fishing tournament.



Left: Junior Calvin Brown shows off the pheasant he shot during the pheasant hunt.

BEING COOPERATIVE

Approximately twenty students are involved in the FFA chapter, a cooperative between Waconia and Chaska. Trying to coordinate activities with two different schools isn't always easy.

"The officers are all from Chaska, so our advisor just calls one of use when there's an upcoming event, and word gets around," said senior Kari Anderson, a second year member.

Word *did* get around, and members competed and attended many events: the annual corn drive, animal judging contests, and state and national conventions.

The dairy judging team of Anderson, Jacob Melchert, Chaneen Haler and Christine Leonard competed at the regional competition. Haler placed fifth individually. The team placed second earning a trip to judge at state convention. The annual corn drive service project was held in November. Members asked local farmers for corn donations which was then sold at the local elevator, and the proceeds are donated to a charity of the FFA's choice.

"It's a great way to give back to the community," said Melchert.

FFA provides learning, competition and service opportunities in many areas, but farming is still the dominating force of the organization.

"FFA is a great organization," said Haler. "It allows anyone who loves farming to share that passion with others and to make friends with the same passion."



Junior Jared Klein manuevers the auger on a corn bin during the FFA's annual corn drive. Held in October or November, the event raises money for a charity of the groups choice.



Above: Senior Melissa Geiszler "turns and burns" during the barrel racing. Right: Senior Tyler Litfin gathers as much corn as he can during the annual corn drive.



Left: Senior Kari Anderson makes sure her yearling, Red, is spotless before exhibiting her animal at the Carver County Fair FFA Dairy Show.



Left: Sophomore Christine Leonard eyes up the Jersey cows during the dairy judging competition held in Hutchinson. The team placed second overall.



Left: Senior Chelsea Wickenhauser and her horse Jack weave their way through the poles at the Carver County Fair.



Above: Junior Emily Martel shows a smile and a blue ribbon after competing in an equestrian club competition.

BEING ALONG FOR THE RIDE

Showing horses requires practice and time, especially before the actual competition begins.

"To get ready for a show, you must practice, practice, practice," said sophomore Emily Martel, who's been riding and showing for approximately three years. "Before the competition, you need to try and get as good as you possibly be when you are working with your horse."

Each individual rider has his or her own way of preparing the horse for a competition.

Sophomore Stephanie Wall rides her horse Cola four times a week. She competes in the timed events, so the pair with the fastest time wins. Agility and conditioning are a must. Rest and recovery is also important, so Wall gives Cola the day off before a competition.

Martel likes to be completely organized prior to the show. Her pre-competition activities include clipping and bathing her horse, loading the horse trailer with riding equipment, and packing her show clothing. Preparation helps things go smoothly during a show, when an unpredictable animal may have a mind of its own.

"It's frustrating when your horse just happens to be spooky the day of the show. But they're animals and you have to accept that if you want to have a good relationship with them," said Martel.



Above: Junior Emily Martel presents her horse at the trot during an equestrian club riding session. Left: The 2009 team included Emily Martel, Emily Braun, Ariadne Alvarez and Stephanie Wall.



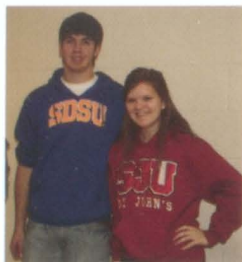
Left: Junior Emily Braun balances her weight, centers her body and guides her horse over a cavaletti during a practice session.



Left: A part of the equestrian club's activities is learning about the care of horses, including newborn horses or foals.



Left: Junior Emily Braun takes a moment out of her practice to take a cute picture with her horse.



Left: Seniors Tyler Gunnufson and Lisa Rasmusen support the dress up days by wearing college sweatshirts.



Left: Seniors Brian McAvoy, Charlie Smothers and John Castenada show their spirit after winning the popsicle race.



Left: Freshmen Rachel Kieser and Ivonne Lopez show off their straw hats they wore on hat day.



Above: Students participate in musical chairs during the Winter Olympics.

Right: Students from all grades show off their popsicle eating skills in the popsicle relay race.



2010 Winterfest Champions

Ping Pong

Jack Mitchell

Rock-Paper-Scissors

Drew Neubauer

Tug of War

The Faculty

Popsicle Relay

Charlie Smothers

Brian McAvoy

John Castenada

Dogsled Race

Miss Hunter's Team

Musical Chairs

Christian Goldman



Right: FCCLA put together a poster that hung in the main lobby to promote dress up days throughout Winterfest week.





Left: Junior Christian Gold-man celebrates as he gets to the last chair in musical chairs.



Left: Seniors Chelsea Wickenhauser and Tyler Gunnufson get ready to dominate the Dogsled Race.



Left: Sophomores Caitlin Overbee, Brittany Hermann, and Morgan Reeve don "comfy" clothes.



Above: Drew Neubauer and Dane Aadland compete in the Rock, Paper, Scissors competition.

Left: Seniors Jack Mitchell and Dennis Mila battle to advance to the ping pong championship.

BEING A PART OF NEW TRADITIONS

Through dress up days like College Day to Spirit Day to participating in the Winter Olympics, students enjoyed dressing up and having fun throughout Winterfest week. Not only could students participate in the dress up days and competitive events, those 17 and older could also donate blood at the annual Student Council Blood Drive.

The Winterfest dress up days consisted of Comfy Day, Plaid/Flannel Day, Tie Dye/Neon Day, College/Hat Day and Spirit Day.

"I liked how the dress up days were different and unique unlike the past years. It made it more fun to dress up," said junior Whitney Buesgens.

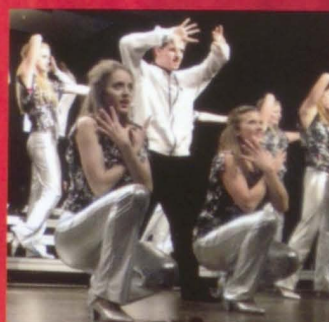
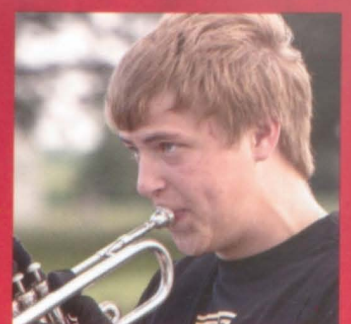
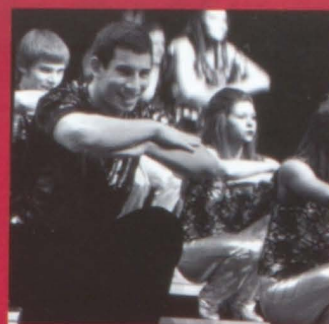
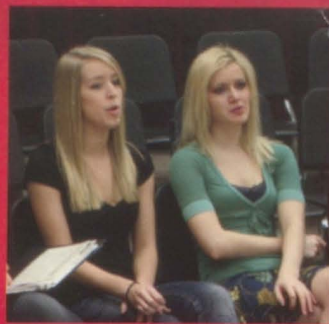
Throughout the week, students could participate in two events during morning break: Tug-of-War and Ping-Pong. Unlike the past years, Student Council added a Ping-Pong and Rock-Paper-Scissors tournament which added more competition to the Winter Olympics.

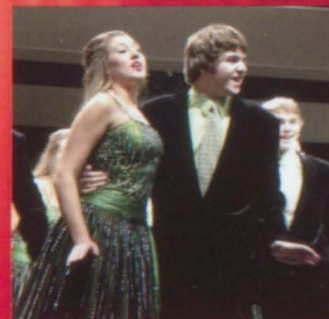
"I'm glad all my hard work these last 12 years has payed off. I intend to visit Europe a bit, take some time off and then resume my training," said Ping-Pong Champion Jack Mitchell.

Through all the commotion with Winter Olympics, there was also one laidback competition - Lips and Legs, a seniors-only competition. This year, Kelsey Wenning won the Lips contest, and Charlie Smoothers won the Legs contest.

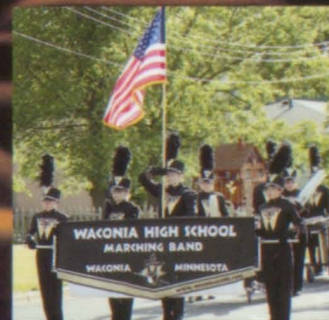
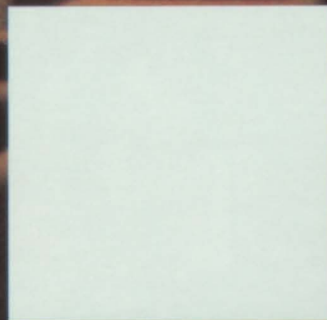
To end the fun and exciting week of Winterfest, there was a Winterfest dance hosted by FCCLA held at the high school on Saturday, Jan. 30.







FINE ARTS





Varsity Band: Jade Anderson, Haley Brennan, Taylor Brennecke, Kali Breska, Maxwell Bullock, Daniel Butz, Melissa Capaul, Kalie Christensen, Ryan Christensen, Sarah Christians, Cody Clark, Mitchell Dang, Bernadette Dantona, Paige Erickson, Seth Erickson, Brynn Everett, Jacob Fettig, Jacob Flatebo, Samantha Heldt, Alexander Herman, Madison Hintgen, Elizabeth Hughes, Caroline Jacobs, Josiah Jibben, Holly Kelchner, Rachel Kieser, Alissa Kirby, James Lee, Shenray Leuthardt, Alyssa Lostetter, Mackenzie Loutzenhiser, Jenna Lund, Ian Manske, Sarah Matz, Katelyn McMahon, Ashley Millerbernd, Jacob Mueller, Caleb Neu, Amy Parkinson, Tyler Pierson, Anna Ploske, Brian Porter, Matthew Rachee, Marcus Raskob, Christian Reddy, Allison Rower, Mackenzie Sauer, Jenna Saunders, Alexander Savitt, Brit-tany Schelitzche, William Schultz, Megan Siebert, Taryn Stevenson, Kristin Sievers, Brady Turner, Benjamin Vogel, Grace Watson, Joshua Wells, Ryan Weisbecker, Kiersten Wille, Jessica Wormer, Michael Zajac, Zackary Zawade



Symphonic Band Devin Aadland, Josiah Berry, Melody Carmen, Kaitlin Cook, Allison Corson, Chrystal Dondlinger, Megan Farlow, Alyssa Giesen, Paddy Halloran, Andrew Haselhorst, Peder Haugsby, Brittany Herrmann, Leah Jones, Marissa Keidel, Heather Klitzke, Kevin Knutson, Colin Lieb, Rebecca Lotito, Emily Martel, Cory McKeever, Hanna Miyamoto, Hannah Mohr, Ariana Nelson-Klug, Drew Neubauer, David Niaz, Felisha Nordby, Caitlin Overby, Kelly Pigeon, Morgan Reeve, Everett Rinke, Zachary Rolf, Alex Schmitt, Laura Schmitt, Mikayla Slepicka, Ashley Sukhu, Anna Talbert, Carly Taylor, Mollie Van Arsdale, Samuel Vipond, Cynthia Weiland, Rachel Weitz, Hanna Wille, Suzanna Wymore



Concert Band First row: Jacob St Amand, Sally Haselhorst, Jacob Matz, Anibel Jacobs, Alyse Herman, Julia Johnson, Rachel Flemmig, Tori Larkin, Jessica Heimdal, Katie Doherty; Seond Row: Jake Vipond, Jacob Boyer, Brock Bender, Timothy Dewee, Alex Steinbrueck, Justin Otremba, Samuel Horner, Samantha Nelson, Dakota Smith



Wind Ensemble First Row: Becky Boughten, Rebecca Hughes, Bailey Farrell; Second Row: Marshall Born, Jake Bilstrom, Garrett Bass, Anthony McMahon, Kate Tusha, Jessica Walter, Nicole Sullivan, Rebecca Shirk, Paige Weiland; Third Row: Daniel Lifermen, Alina Moreno, Erica Anderson, Laurel Peirson, Larkin Scholla, Emily Mueller, Kylie Zawada, Autumn Ament; Fourth Row: Heather Kalthof, AnnMarie Powers, Noel Russell, Alex Zajac, Libby Mauk, Josh Frischmon, Max Rickel, Carl Mathwig, Mark Josh Hiltbrandt; Fifth Row: Nicholas Allen, Austin Stole, Crosby Smith, James Russell



Above: Band director John Pohland gives the audience a general thank you for coming to the concert and supporting the members of the band.
Below: The ninth grade Varsity Band plays a piece from their concert selections.

BEING WITH THE BAND

The lights are dim except for the bright spotlights that shine on the faces of the anxious musicians. As the neatly dressed musicians settle on the stage, Mr. Poland raises his baton. After 45 minutes of warm ups and tuning, the group is ready to make some music.

These young musicians participate in the band program to better their musical skills and perform well at their four concerts, but there's also a competitive aspect to band.

A portion of the year is dedicated to preparation for large group contest, an activity in which the group performs and is rated by a panel of musical experts. This year's Wind Ensemble and Concert Bands received Superior Ratings, the highest marks of excellence.

There's also a solo and ensemble contest in which to participate. For the first time ever, participation in the local solo and ensemble contest was mandatory. Students competed at WHS on April 6 for the opportunity to advance to the Region solo and ensemble contest which was held on April 15.

Whether performing individually or as part of a group, the musicians are united.

"The students are working together to make great music," said Pohland. "They constantly help each other to get better."



Above: The tenth grade Symphonic Band shows their achievements at the annual Parade of Bands.



Left: Freshman Elizabeth Hughes reads her music as she waits to play her percussion part.



Left: Juniors Victoria Larkin and Alexander Steinbrueck wait to begin the next musical selection. They are members of the percussion section.



Left: Senior Rachel Carlsted, and juniors Kayla Borka and Jessica Heimdal are pleased about their concert performance.



Left: Director John Poland is eating pie the right way, "Look ma, no hands!" He tried to eat it until the pan was spotless.



Left: Colorguard members junior Mackenzie Watson, senior Kirsten Lederer, and senior Lisa Rasmussen wave their flags at the parade.



Left: Junior Julia Johnson is in the groove during a band warm up. She was concentrating on nothing but marching band.



Top: The trumpets are perfectly aligned, and all of the players were ready to start.

Right: The auxiliary ends the show in a "W." The marching band did this during every parade.



BECOMING CHAMPIONS

Combating the blazing sun and a hectic schedule, the Waconia Marching Band still managed to look good by winning first place in every parade this year.

Brady Krusemark and John Poland directed the band to victory, including a victory at Alexandria, the biggest parade all year. There they earned Grand Champion and People's Choice honors. To do this took a lot of time and effort from all 155 members. With 12 parades in the month of June, one rewarding parade in the month of July, and three-hour-long practices every day in the summer, there was not much time to relax.

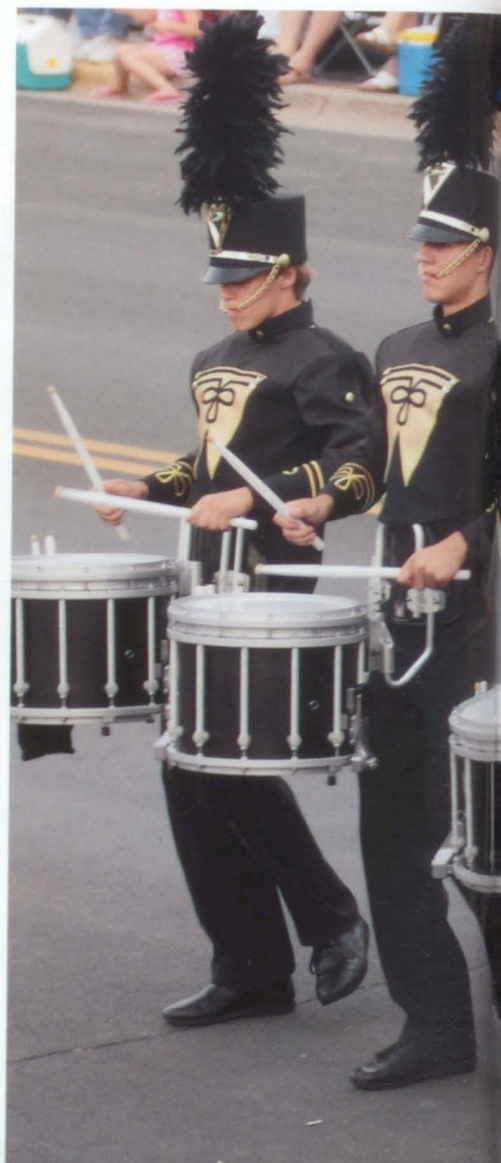
"This was really a great year," said junior Rachel Flemig. "Everyone came together well and made it a very enjoyable, strong season."

Every year the band gets away for a week and performs on July 4. This year, the group packed up and followed the road to Gatlinberg, Tennessee.

"We chose Tennessee this year because it wasn't too expensive, the group had never been there together, and the nearby Nashville is a great music-oriented area," said Krusemark.

For the band's midnight show, they performed in the Gatlinburg Midnight Independence Day Parade and lit the place up, literally.

"Everyone had glow sticks on their instruments, and the streets were completely lit up. It was pretty much amazing," said sophomore Suzanna Wymore.



Left: Senior Jacob Hilk plays his trumpet with pride during the Lake Waconia Band Festival. The festival was held on June 20, 2009.



Left: Senior Shane Segner's intensity says it all. Marching band members show their dedication, fierce work ethics and competitiveness during parades.



Left: Christian Gilbert, marching band staff member, bikes along side the band during a parade. He's been a staff member since 1995.



Top: Junior Josh Frischmon practices intensely during band camp, held at UW-River Falls.
Left: Marching perfectly in unison, the band is on its way to another victory.



2009 Parades

May 25	Memorial Day Parade
June 11	Park Performance
June 12	Champlain Park Parade
June 13	Owatonna Parade
June 14	Pioneer Band Festival
June 18	Brooklyn Park Parade
June 20	Lake Waconia Band Festival
June 21	Hutchinson Parade
June 22	Thunder of Drums
June 25	Brooklyn Center
June 27	Osseo Band Festival
June 27	St. Cloud Parade
June 28	Vikingland Band Festival
June 1-7	Tennessee Tour

Left: Sophomore Drew Neibauer, 2009 alumnus Clint Borka, senior Britta Rinke, senior Shane Segner and junior Annmarie Powers captivate the hometown crowd during the Lake Waconia Band Festival. Neither the marching band nor the drumline officially competed at this parade.

BEING A PART OF THE ACTION

During Wildcat sporting events, the pep band's light-hearted, fun music can be heard resonating out the gym doors and into the neighboring hallways.

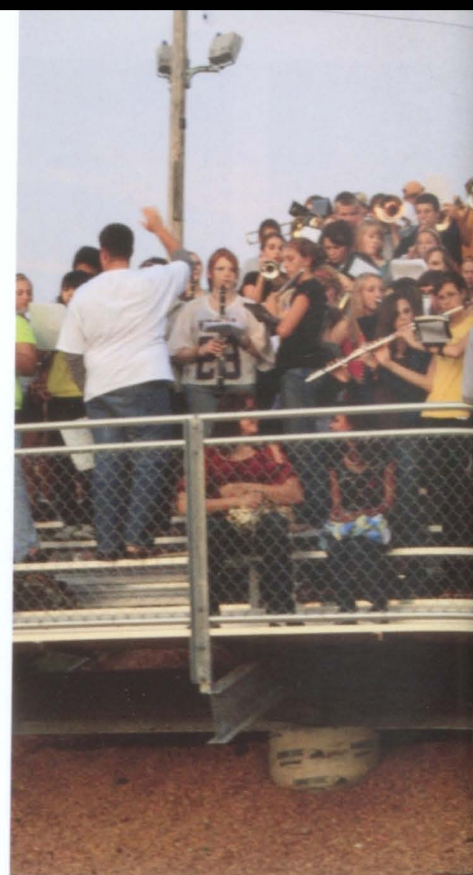
Whether they're playing a band favorite like Chicago's "25 or 9 to 4" or a crowd favorite like "Tequila" or "Eye of the Tiger," the pep band really attempts to get the Wildcat fans involved. They also like to get themselves involved.

"Getting to dance along with the music is the best part about pep band," said junior Katie Doherty.

The pep band consists of members involved in one of the school's four bands. Each student who is enrolled in a band course must attend four pep band performances in the fall and four pep band performances in the winter. Attendance is used to help determine the student's course grade.

Directed by Brady Krusemark and John Poland, the pep band is kept busy during football, basketball, hockey and wrestling seasons. Of course, each pep band member has his or her favorite activity to play at.

"I like playing for the hockey games. They're my favorite," said Doherty.



Above: Mr. John Poland directs the pep band during a home football game.



Above: In early fall, the pep band entertains the hometown crowd during a Wildcat football game. Right: The pep band gets the crowd rocking at a pepfest.



Left: Mr. Brady Krusemark directs the clarinets, flutes and trumpet sections during the playing of the school song.



Left: Members of the flute and trumpet sections perform the song "Eye of the Tiger" during a Wildcats boys basketball game.



Left: Daniel Leifermann, Jimmy Russell, Sam Horner and Carl Mathwig whoop it up during the Homecoming pepfest.



Above: Sophomore Devin Aadland keeps the rhythm on his bass.

AND THE BEAT GOES ON

To most students in sport activities, half time is known as a portion of time in the middle of a game, and a break is what you do when you leave a huddle. To jazz band members, those terms mean something entirely different. Half time means the tempo is half as fast, and a break is a transitional time where soloists play.

Jazz Band consists of two different groups, Jazz I and Jazz II. Students in any band class can audition for either group. Jazz II has limited space for only 20 students, and it consists of a variety of instruments.

The two main concerts are the Spring Jazz Concert and the dinner concert, where the audience sits on the stage while the concert goes on.

"The dinner concert Jazz Band puts on is fun because it has a very old-time jazz feel," said director Brady Krusemark.

Krusemark also likes the feel of the smaller group setting.

"I like Jazz Band because it is a smaller group which gives students more chances to shine and have solos," said Krusemark. "All the students in this group want to be in it by choice."



Above: Nick Allen, Rebecca Shirk, and Michael Zajac add some brass to Christmas favorites. Left: Members of the jazz bands play holiday music before the school day begins.



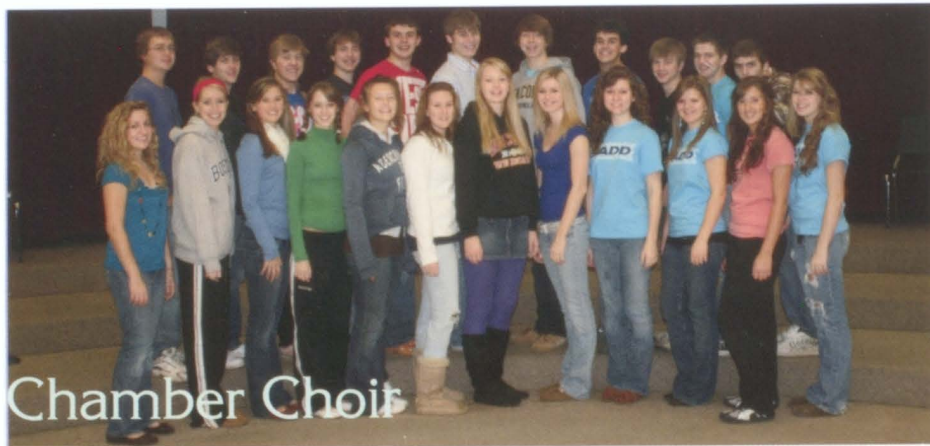
Left: Junior Max Rickel adds a holiday beat by performing with the band in the morning.



Left: Senior Jamie Mohr creates a little holiday cheer for her fellow students while performing with the jazz band.

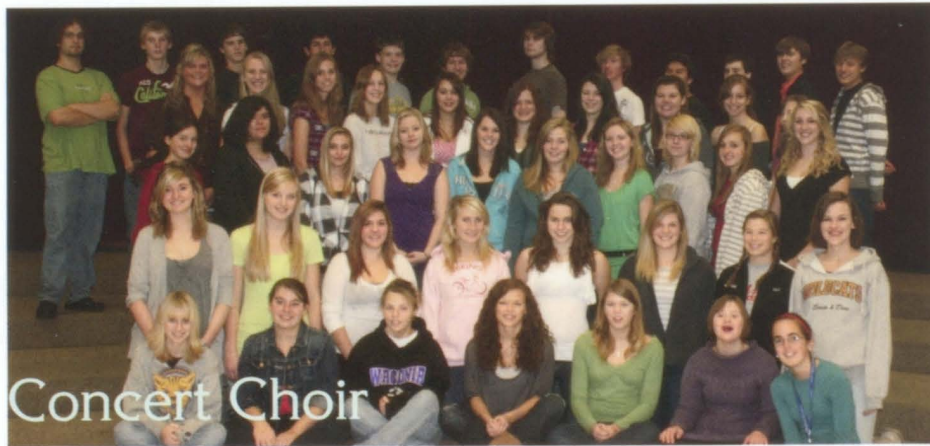


Left: Sophomore Sam Vipond plays along as jazz band pianist.



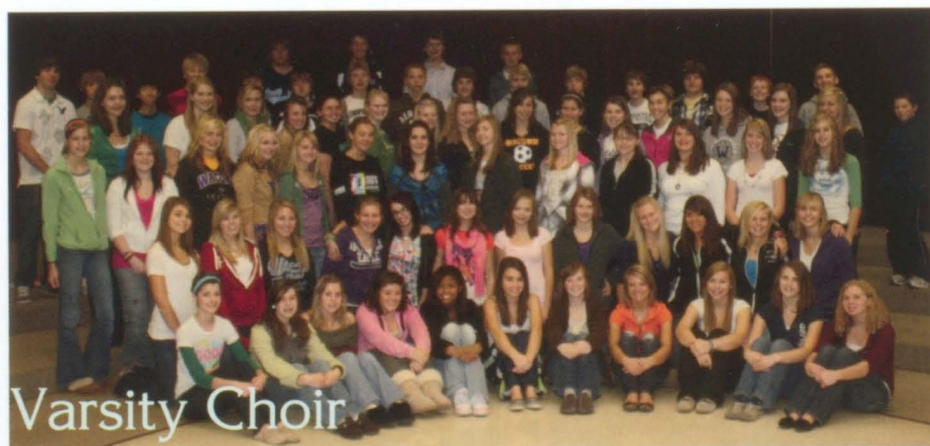
Chamber Choir

Chamber Choir First Row: Rebecca Kimyon, Jessica Walter, Annmarie Powers, Caitlyn Engler, Marisa Melchert, Chaneen Haler, Becky Boughten, Angela Splettstoesser, Margaux Jensen, Lisa Rasmussen, Katelyn Bouchard, Alexandra Buck. Second Row: Garrett Aalfs, Austin Stole, Dean Erickson, Zachariah Johnson, Dylan Furst, Jacob Gregory, Maxwell Rickel, Sean Linden, James Russell, Zachary Sellman, Jacob Stahn.



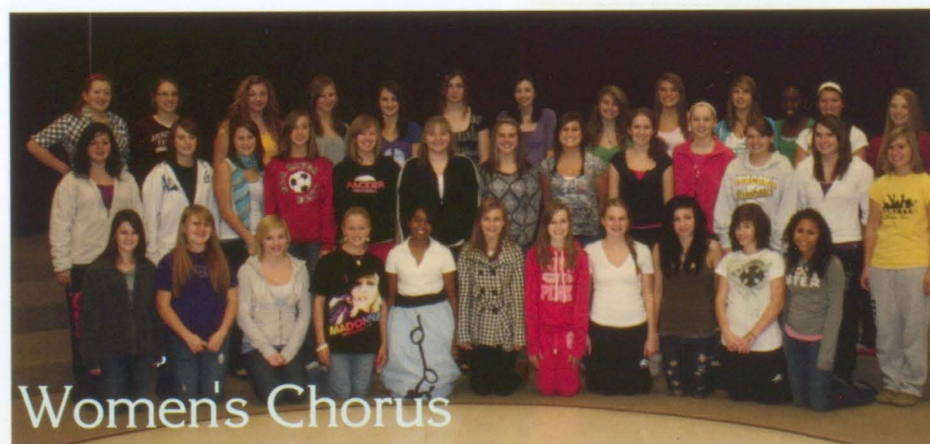
Concert Choir

Concert Choir First Row: Nikki Frydenlund, Mckenzie Watson, Jennifer Kallio, Calleigh Melchert, Dawn Miller, Sabine Palm, Megan Brueggemeier. Second Row: Cecelia Findorff, Kaydee Bohanon, Alana Lamkin, Nicole Gregory, Addy Scrimgeour, Nicole Fladung, Caitlin Krieg, Emily Patterson. Third Row: Friederike Lobbecke, Alina Moreno, Megan Mather, Sarah Stairs, Kara Stroming, Kelsey Sorenson, Bailey Farrell, Emma Larson, Melinda Horejsi, Meghan Radde. Fourth Row: Shelby Schmidt, Cristin Kieser, Kelcey Albers, Abigale Christenson, Miranda Koch, Jordan Reeve, Anna Weitz, Julie Zakashefski, Madeline Gordon, Dana Martel. Fifth Row: Theodore Gilliam, Alec Williams, Justin Young, Thomas Morimoto, Tyler Stauffer, Cameron Monson, Cody Gregory, Zachary Ratzlaff, Tucker Pruden, Alex Hart-Thomas, Scott Miller, Kory Melchert.



Varsity Choir

Varsity Choir First Row: Kali Breska, Sarah Krahulec, Katelyn Bachmeyer-Parker, Alexandra Elorriaga, Alexis Williams, Bernadette Dantona, Amy Parkinson, Madeline Beuning, Kees Torgenson, Ashley Millerbernd, Paige Erickson. Second Row: Madison Chaffee, Jessica Pajari, Elise Rogers, Jadyr Wiebel, Brianna Smoter, Alyssa Lostetter, Jennifer Tach, Courtne Carver, Danielle Johnson, Mackenzie Bratsch, Abby Melchert, Jennifer Schuette. Third Row: Martha Gordon, Brittany Schelitzche, Emma Skerik, Jessica Rifley, Alex Van Houtte, Allison Rowe, Norelle Pearson, Alana Kiel, Emily Zellmann, Olivia Stiller, Kate Schoeder, Nora Stevenson, Melanie Gordon. Fourth Row: Amber Wickenhauser, Kristin Stivers, Marni Knauf, Brianna Ridl, Kashalyn McKinster, Heidi Dray, Lauren Williams, Ashley Pannier, Kendall Meuwissen, Emily Jaeger, Taryn Stevenson, Morgan Iverson, Elizabeth Bourgeois, Fiona Demario, Natalie Beaton. Fifth Row: Garrett Schmitt, Nicholas Henninger, Mitchell Dang, Seth Erickson, Ryan Weisbecker, Benjamin Vogel, David Parpart, Tyler Christensen, Ian Bohn, Kyle Kauma, Paul Winkelman, Dawson Kimyon, John Braudt, Zachary Borer, Anthony Paul, Michael Albert. Sixth Row: Christian Johnson, Brandon Benson, Kohlton Schmidt, Joseph Luder.



Women's Chorus

Women's Chorus First Row: Shantel Peters, Cynthia Weiland, Kylie Stoddard, Elena Albert, Ashley Sukhu, Maria Spurbeck, Madison Peitz, Megan Farlow, Mikayla Grenke, Kaitlin Cook, Kaylee Flourney. Middle Row: Morgan Reeve, Rebecca Lotito, Kelsey Jo Kelzer, Madeline Johnson, Lisa Kittleson, Julie Thaumert, Josie Sayre, Whitney Vacek, Stephanie Gregoire, Alexandra Doeden, Hanna Wabbe, Ashley Samuelson, Alison Klein. Top Row: Elizabeth Maul, Colleen Halloran, Brianna Miller, Valerie Grimm, Taylor Kahl, Michelle Citarella, Lauren Huggett, Kara Kruchten, Alison McPhee, Stephanie Frempong-Longdon, Kelsey Lechner, Alexis Ament.

BECOMING ONE BIG SOUND

"Words make you think a thought. Music makes you feel a feeling. A song makes you feel a thought," these words were said by E.Y. Harburg, an American Lyricist and song writer.

This year, the goal of all the choirs was to sing with unity and emotion. They especially succeeded with this at the Yuletide Festival, leaving people filled with holiday spirit.

All groups started preparing in the fall for the big show, and on Dec. 4 all of the choirs sang their hearts out. All of the lights were bright and shining to try and set the mood.

The first choir, the Concert Choir, took the stage and began the show with big sound and beautiful melodies. All four choirs - Concert, Women's Chorus, Varsity Choir and the Chamber Choir - performed at the festival. They even performed a total of three songs together, two of those with members of the instrumental music program.

At the end, the group ended with the classic "Peace, Peace." This year, the band also sang with the choirs. As they all sang together, the lights were dimmed and the students "passed the light" using candles. Once the whole room was aglow, the seniors made it a medley by singing "Silent Night," and the whole group surrounded the audience, unifying the large ensemble and the audience.

"This was a year of real feeling, positivity, and teamwork," said choir director Aaron Olson.



Above: Chamber choir members Austin Stole, Annamarie Powers, Marisa Melchert, Katelyn Bouchard and Jessica Walters look to receive their cues from Mr. Olson.

Below: During a rehearsal, members of the Concert Choir work on vocal technique.



Above: Cristin Kieser, Bailey Farrell, Friederike Lobbecke, Nikki Frydenlund, Emma Larson, Elle Skerik, and Melinda Horesji prepare for the Yuletide Festival which was held on Dec. 4.



Left: Concert choir members Alana Larkin, Madeline Gordon, Meghan Radde and Kaydee Bohanon work on a section of a piece during their rehearsal.



Left: Yoko Miyamoto accompanies the choirs during their rehearsals and during performances.



Left: Sophomores Alec Williams and Justin Young and senior Thomas Morimoto sing "Oh Praise the Lord" during Concert Choir rehearsal.

BEING PART OF A CRAZY BEAT

This year Power Company stole the stage and made crowds go crazy for their show. They began the season at Milton, Wisconsin earning third place. Austin Stole earned the Best Male Soloist award.

At their next competition in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, they made finals and received fourth place. Stole once again earned the Best Male Soloist award. "It was a great feeling hearing my name called out for that special award," said Stole.

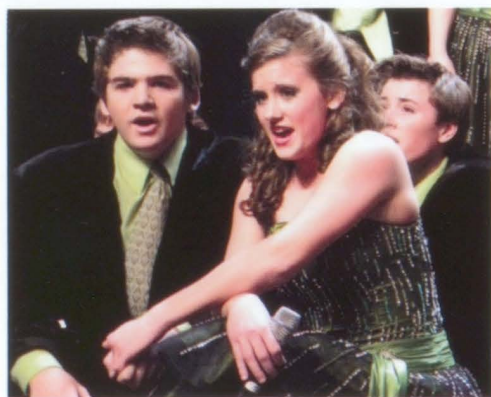
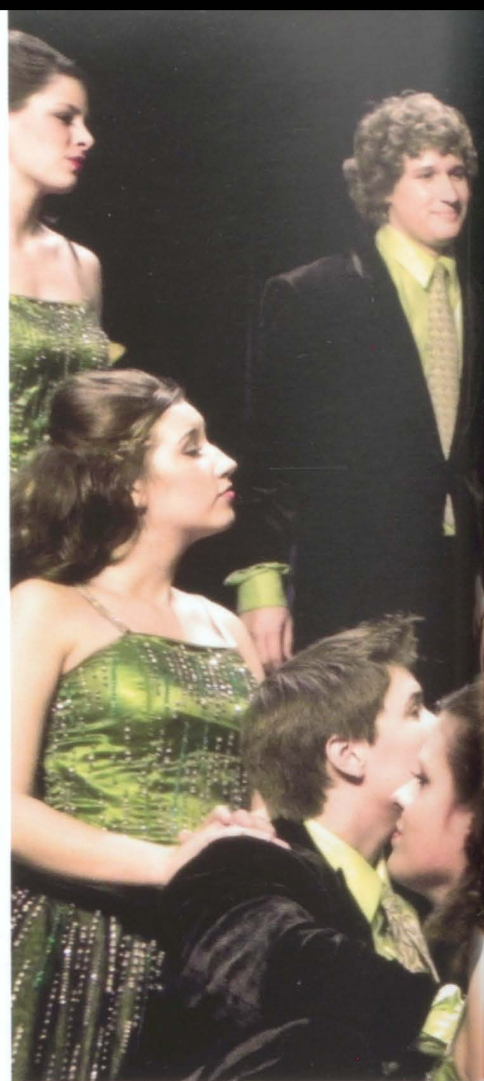
The group placed third at their next competition in Iowa, and Stole received his third soloist award, but the singers were not the only ones scoring trophies. At their last competition, held at Totino Grace in Fridley, Power Company not only took third place, but their band, Megawatt, also took home the Best Band award.

"It was an awesome way to end the season," said senior Anthony McMahon.

The year was full of success and trophies. It was also full of fun. Over spring break, the group had the privilege of taking a Caribbean cruise. They were the entertainment for two nights, along with the Totino Grace show choirs.

The shows did not end there. As usual, Power Company and The Current held the end of the year Show Choir Spectacular.

"Power Company had a lot of talent this year, but what really made them great was all the teamwork," said Power Company director Aaron Olson.



Above: Juniors Jacob Stahn and AnnMarie Powers get in a group pose during the song "Wish I Were Here."

Right: Power Company strikes a pose at the end of the show right before the bow.



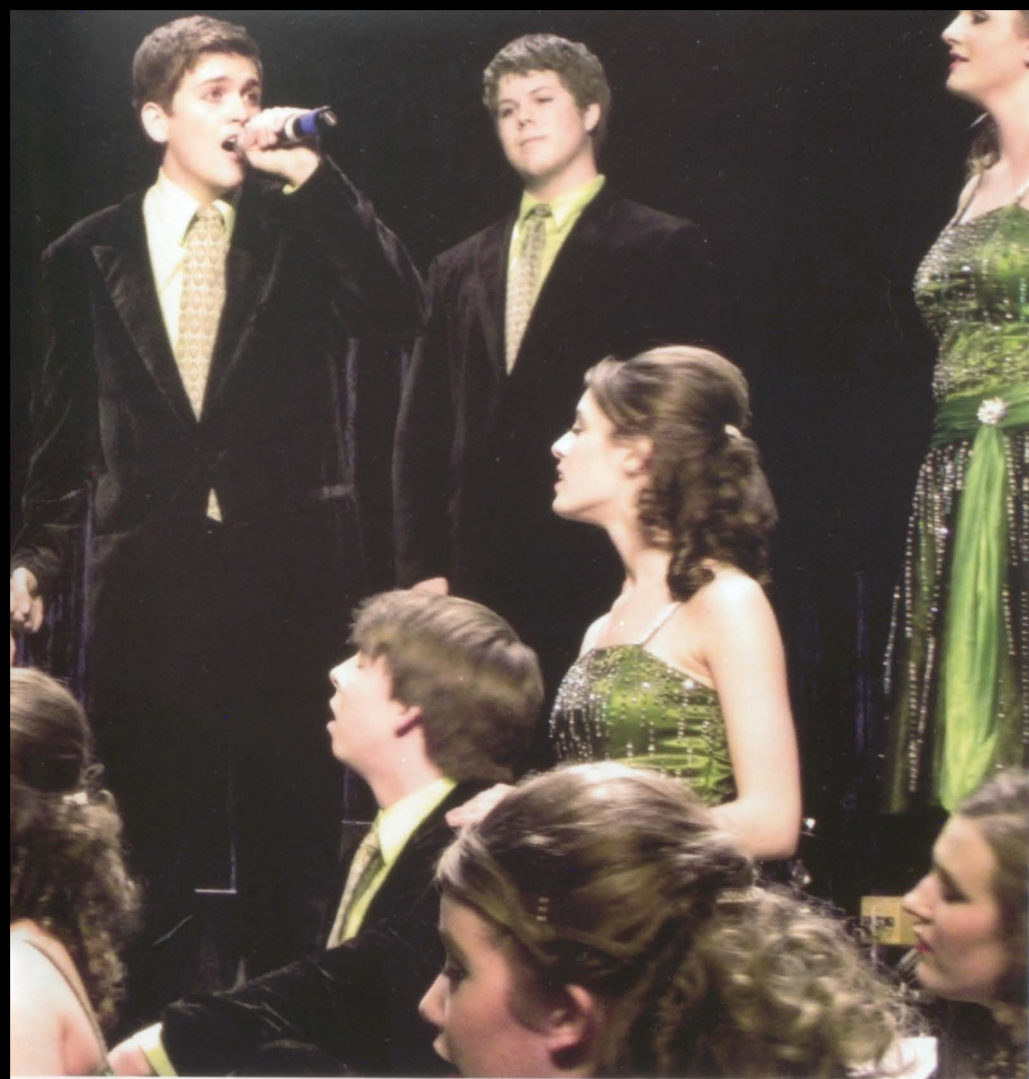
Left: Senior Zacharias Johnson, sophomore Justin Young, and senior Jacob Gregory wow the audience with their on-stage costume change.



Left: Junior Katelyn Bouchard sings her solo, in the song "S.O.S." The solo turns into a trio when senior Rebecca Kimyon and junior Caitlyn Engler join her before the rest of the group takes the stage.



Left: The group explodes with excitement to leave a lasting impression on the judges at the end of the show.



Power Company 2010	
Jan. 8	Spaghetti Dinner
Jan. 23	Milton, Wisconsin
Feb. 6	Eau Claire, Wisconsin
Feb. 13	Star Power at WHS
Feb. 20	Davenport, Iowa
Feb. 27	Totino-Grace
March 12-19	Caribbean cruise
April 8 - 10	Spectacular at WHS

Left: Austin Stole enchants the crowd and the judges with his award-winning solo. Stole was named Best Male Soloist at three competitions. This is Stole's second year having a solo in Power Company.

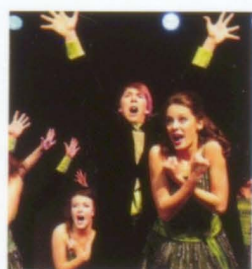


Above: The group gives it their all while striking their final pose.

Left: Power Company impresses the audience with their intense dance moves during the song "Disturbia".



Left: James Russell preaches to the audience as he sings his solo in the Crazy Medley.



Left: Juniors Max Rickel and Caitlyn Engler show great expression during the song "Wish I Were Here". Engler was named Best Performer at the Milton competition.

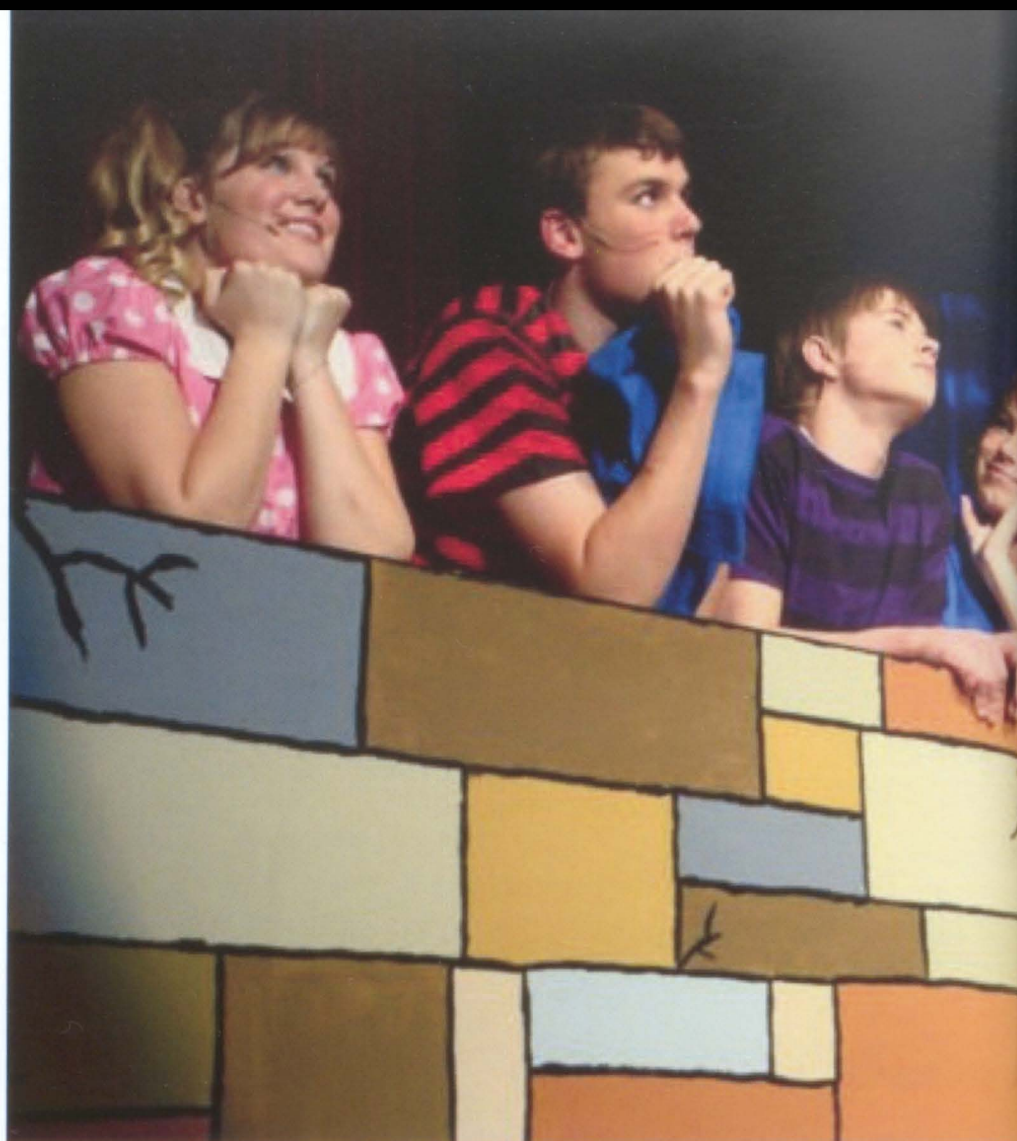


Left: Sophomore Alexandra Buck sings her Solo in "Wish I Would Have", which was written by Power Company alumnus, Jenn Bostic.

Remember the Peanuts gang?

1. Who did Charlie Brown have a crush on?
2. What is Lucy's favorite derogatory term for Charlie Brown?
3. What is the last philosophy of Sally's song?
4. Who has the opening line?
5. What song does Schroeder sing about a famous composer?
6. What are Snoopy and Sally doing while the others are writing their book reports?

1. The Little Redheaded Girl
2. "Blockhead"
3. "Some philosophies aren't for all people."
4. Linus
5. "Beethoven's Day"
6. chasing rabbits



Right: Sally, Linus, Schroeder, and Lucy all ponder about the light in the night sky. Could it be a star or maybe a satellite? Below: Schroeder, Charlie, Lucy, and Linus all attempt to write their book reports on *Peter Rabbit*.



Right: Woodstock (Ashley Suku) tries to teach Snoopy "her language." Snoopy claimed that it was too late to be bilingual.



Charlie Brown's younger sister Sally always fawns over Linus. She followed him everywhere.



Franklin (Scott Miller) asks Lucy how the "lemonade business" is going. She responded with her usual super sassy tone.



Charlie Brown is in a depressed mood at lunch time. Stole said, "Having to act sad all the time was slightly depressing. I feel bad for Charlie Brown."

GOOD GRIEF! THE CAST MAKES MUSKAL THEIR OWN

This year's fall musical was quite animated, literally. Based on the *Peanuts* comic strip, which was written by Charles M. Schulz, *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown* took approximately two months to prepare. It premiered on Nov. 5 and completed its run on Nov. 7.

Although most people recall Charlie, Snoopy, Sally, Lucy, Schroeder, and Linus as the *Peanuts* gang, there were many more characters involved. Instead of limiting the cast to just six people, the directors extended the cast to 35, adding some old classic characters including Woodstock, Peppermint Patty, and Pig Pen. The cast members looked through old comic strips and actually wrote their own script in order to include the newly added characters.

"It was exciting to basically be our own directors," said junior Meghan Radde who played the role of Patty, an added character. "It made the show seem more like our own."

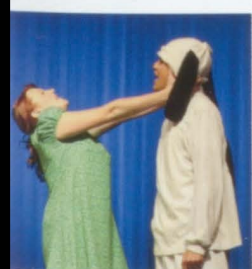
Not only did this change make the show "their own," it also made it more fun, at least according to senior James Russell who played the role of Schroeder.

"It was really gratifying to know we could pull off a show practically by ourselves, which made it a lot more fun and enjoyable for us as a cast, and the audience."

As for the show and putting it together, Austin Stole, who played the role of Charlie Brown added, "The show and practices were great in every way. The whole production was really amazing this year."



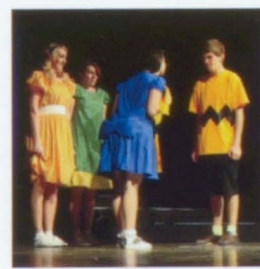
Left: The cast includes Schroeder (James Russell), Lucy (Caitlin Krieg), Linus (Dylan Furst), Charlie (Austin Stole), Sally (Nicole Fladung), Snoopy (Sean Linden), Patty (Meghan Radde). Above: Schroeder plays piano while Lucy admires his not so charming talents.



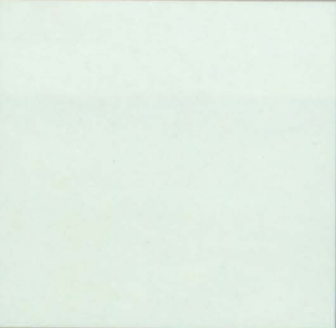
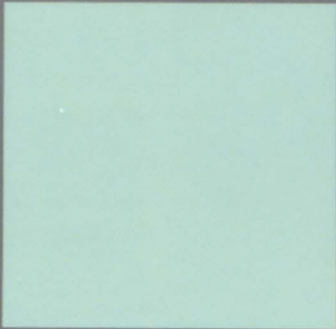
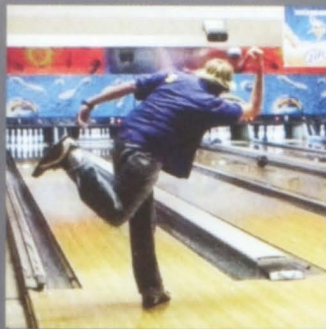
Violet (Chaneen Haler) says she would kiss Snoopy if it was not for his fuzzy face. Snoopy was let down yet again.



Linus thinks Lucy is crazy for wanting to be a Queen. His television show got interrupted by her sisterly threats.



Lucy makes fun of Charlie Brown's big head. His reaction was less than pleasing to her. The other girls, Violet and Patty, found it to be quite entertaining.





SPORTS





Left: Senior Shane Hanson runs through a tunnel of his teammates prior to the start of the game.



Left: Junior running back Bronson Scheff jumps over an Annandale Cardinal opponent to gain more yards. He had 839 rushing yards during the 2009 season.



Left: Team members listen to Coach Foley's halftime speech. He encouraged them to think about what went well during the first half and what to focus on during the second half.



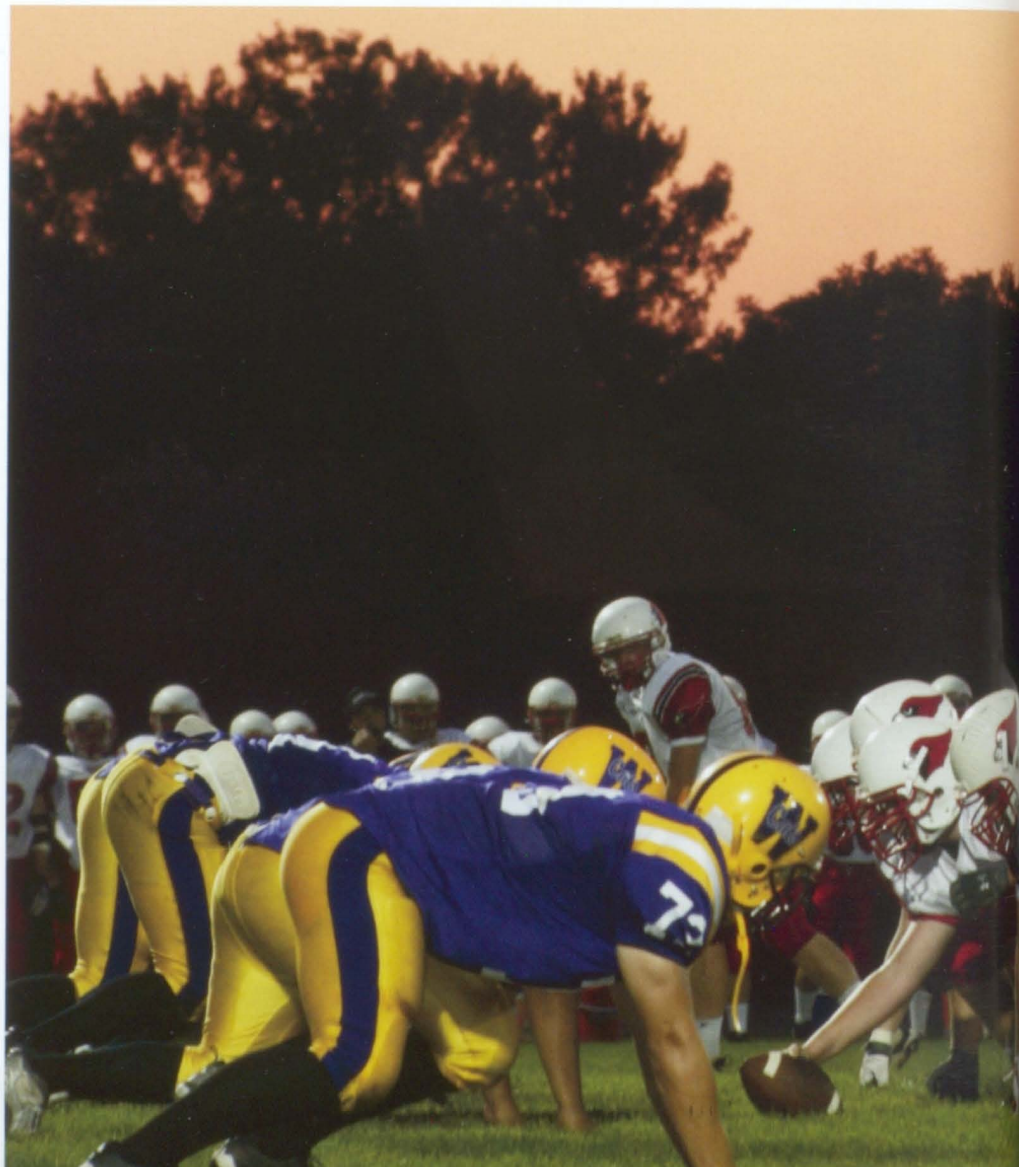
Above: Quarterback Evan Graff and senior Tim Watts are preparing for their first play. Graff had 1039 passing yards at the end of the season. Right: Dillon Pomeroy runs for a Wildcats' first down.



	W	O
Orono	21	40
Litchfield	35	13
Annandale	20	26
Delano	14	21
Watertown-Mayer	28	0
Grand Rapids	36	7
Mound-Westonka	28	0
Glencoe-Silver Lake	0	26
Mankato East	14	13
Mankato West	18	40

Season Record: 5-5-0

Right: The Wildcats get ready to defend their turf against the Annandale Cardinals. Throughout the whole game, it was a back and forth offensive and defensive battle between both teams.



Left: Head coach Pat Foley watches the action intently. During the first half of the game, Foley evaluates the team's strengths and areas that need improvement.



Left: Members of the Wildcats defensive unit stop Annandale's run. Unfortunately, Annandale defeated the Wildcats 26-20.



Left: Senior Tim Watts punts the ball to the waiting special teams' player. Watts had 1022 punting yards throughout the season.



Above: Dillon Pomeroy and his team mates prepare for the ball to be snapped by quarterback Evan Graff. Left: Junior Andrew Schulenburg and sophomore Max Williams tackle their opponent. Williams had 90 tackles for the Wildcats throughout the season.

INCH BY INCH

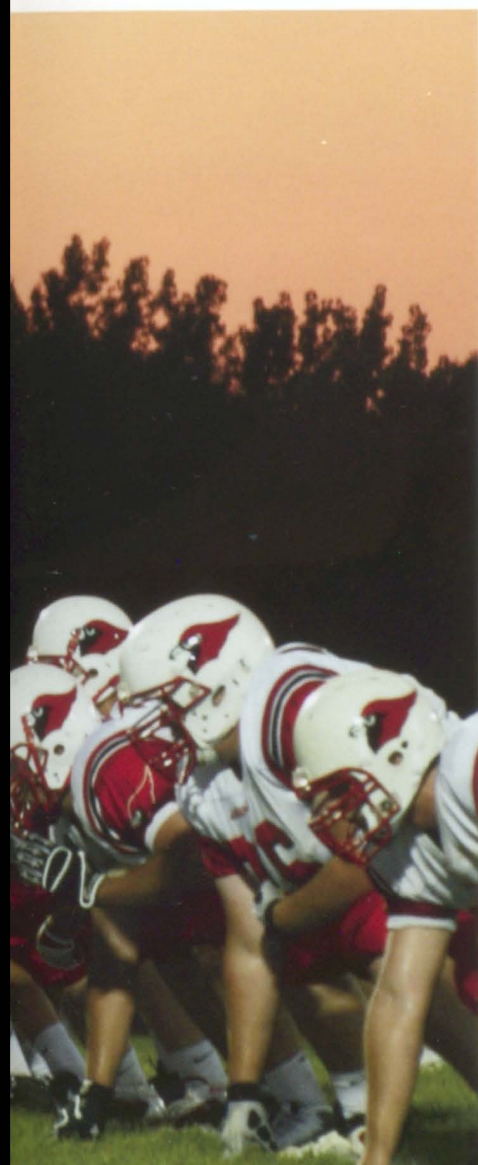
"On this team, we fight for that inch. On this team, we tear ourselves, and everyone around us to pieces for that inch. We claw with our finger nails for that inch. Cause we know when we add up all those inches that's going to make the difference between winning and losing, between living and dying." That speech, given by Tony D'Amato, the fictional coach played by Al Pacino in the movie *Any Given Sunday*, was the team's inspiration.

Dedication and hard work were key points for this year's team. The players worked very hard even through the rainy and snowy weather, which sometimes caused the team to move their practices indoors at Clearwater Middle School. Still, facing all the weather obstacles was worth it come Friday night.

"The best parts of football would definitely be the lights, the fans, and how the team works together as a family," said varsity captains Dillon Pomeroy, Jacob Braunhausen, and Charlie Smothers.

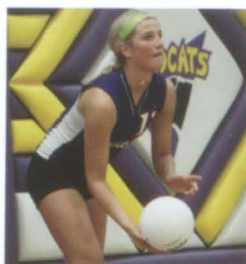
Finishing the season with a 5-5 record, the team improved, inch by inch and game by game.

"Overall, our defense had a great season, the offense got better over time, and everything came together by the end of the season. We could have won more, but I guess you win some and you lose some," said senior Trevor Horning.

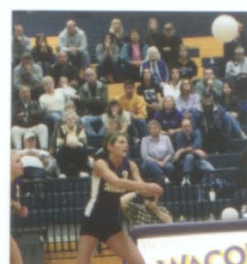




Left: Junior Morgan Schultz and senior Jessica Rice block their opponent.



Left: Junior Chandra Honebrink is getting ready to jump serve.



Left: Senior Bethany Aeling passes the ball to the setter.



Above: The team gathers together for a time out while they and Coach Lee critique their playing. Right: Junior Jessica Heimdal passes a free ball to the setter.



BEING A PART OF SOMETHING

From pre-season try outs to competing in the Wright County Conference, the varsity team showed full dedication at every practice and at every game.

Getting on the team wasn't so easy. All of the girls who tried out had to go through 24 intense skill sets just to have a chance to compete at the varsity level. Eventually, 11 girls were selected for the squad.

Coach Lee's goals for the team this year were to improve in every aspect and to compete in all tournaments possible. Overall, Lee said he thought his team competed very well.

They faced strong competition in both conference and tournament place and finished third in the Wright County Conference standings.

One of the most significant non-conference games of the season was playing Eden Prairie, who, according to junior Whitney Buesgens, is one of the team's favorite opponents. The team also had a strong showing at the Marshall tournament, defeating the second seeded team.

The team's two seniors, Beth Aeling and Jessica Rice, ended their varsity careers with great memories and provided leadership for their fellow players.

Even though the varsity team didn't win the conference title or win every tournament it entered, members may have gained something more valuable.

"All of the girls had gained experience and improved very well," said Lee.

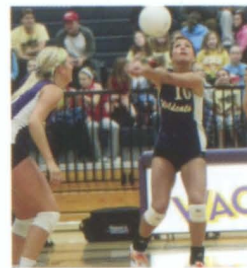




Left: Junior Chandra Honebrink hits the ball while her teammates cover.



Left: Junior Jessica Heimdal is preparing to serve the ball.



Left: Junior Morgan Schultz passes the ball.



Above: Junior Morgan Schultz sets the ball after junior Chandra Honebrink makes an amazing dig. Left: Senior Jessica Rice goes up for an attack as the team covers.



	W	O
Eden Prairie	0	3
Mayer Lutheran	3	1
Mounds View	1	2
Litchfield	2	0
Bloomington Jefferson	1	2
Minneapolis Southwest	2	0
Mound Westonka	3	1
Lincoln	2	0
Pipestone Area	1	2
Hibbing	2	0
Minneota	0	2
Owatonna	1	2
Belle Plaine	3	0
Litchfield	3	0
Blaine	1	3
Orono	3	1
Glencoe-Silver Lake	3	0
Annandale	2	3
Big Lake	2	0
Spring Lake Park	2	0
Blaine	0	2
Holy Angels	2	0
Shakopee	0	3
Delano	0	3
Watertown-Mayer	1	3
Bethlehem Academy	0	3
Dassel-Cokato	3	0
Buffalo	3	0
Eden Prairie	0	3
Season Record: 15-14		

Left: Junior Tori Larkin watches junior Dana Noeldner dig the ball.

NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Snow was coming down the morning of October 12, 2009, and cross country participants wondered all day whether or not their conference meet would be canceled. Meets were usually canceled if it was raining badly, but they had never experienced snow. In the middle of the day, Coach Clark Machtemes informed them that the meet was still scheduled.

"Running in the snow was actually pretty fun but very cold. It was also my favorite memory of the season," said sophomore Danielle Kirsch.

Competing in the snow was just one new opportunity for the team. Seventh grader Alexis Willems became the first Wildcat to compete at the state meet since 2001. Running many miles over the summer and constantly working to improve her times helped her prepare for the season.

"She would critique and push herself to the best of her abilities during practices and meets. It definitely paid off," said Machtemes.

One thing that hampered some runners wasn't an opponent, it was the flu. Following the Shakopee meet, sophomore Drew Neubauer ended up sitting out the rest of the season due to the flu.

"It was hard seeing teammates sit out when you couldn't do anything, especially the seniors," said senior Dacotah Smith.

With all of the new opportunities, the team still maintained their optimism. "It was my favorite season by far," said senior Kerry Hayes.



Above: Coach Machtemes sprays senior Christina Marceau with mosquito repellent prior to her race. Right: Jenifer Haler, Rebecca Hughes, Alyssa Hennen, Danielle Kirsch, and Julia Johnson are stretching before a meet which is led by seniors. Seniors also planned team meals and locker decorating.



Left: Sophomores Lyndsy Chase and Amanda Cook give one final effort as they near the finish line at Crown College.



Left: Freshman Ian Manske strides past fans as he is trying to beat his personal record. The boys' team running distance for meets consists of 3.1 miles.



Left: Senior Alyssa Hennen is encouraging senior Rebecca Hughes to push through the pain. The team's quote for the season was "harder, better, faster, stronger."



<u>Meets</u>
Montgomery-Lonsdale
Norwood -Young America /Delano
Crown College
Glencoe-Silver Lake
Dassel-Cokato
Conference Meet at Glencoe
Shakopee
Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted
Sections at Willmar
State Meet at St. Olaf College

Left: Seventh grader Alexis Willems and senior Chelsea Wickenhauser are starting off strong. Both girls received an all conference award, and Willems became the first Wildcat since 2001 to compete at the state cross country meet.



Left: Teammates gather together to receive the results. After meets they also have a grill going to make hot dogs and snacks. Above: Senior Zach Emerson and junior Erik Evjen are challenging one another during a meet. Teammates often do this because it helps push themselves harder.



Left: The senior girls take a break to capture one of this season's many memories.



Left: Sophomore Carl Wenning and sophomore Victoria Haler are sticking close to one another to try and block other runners from getting ahead.



Left: Senior Mark Bullis is trying to out run his competition during a meet. Bullis finished 152 out of 246 at the first meet.

	W	O
Southwest Christian	2	2
Chanhasen	2	0
Marshall	3	1
Buffalo	2	2
Simley	1	3
Shakopee	0	2
Providence Academy	5	1
Mound-Westonka	2	1
Orono	1	2
Mankato West	2	4
Saint John's Prep	5	1
Delano	1	0
Minneapolis Washburn	6	1
Glencoe-Silver Lake	2	1
St. Cloud Cathedral	0	2
Holy Family	3	0
Chaska	1	2
Intl. School of MN/ERA	5	0
Saint Lous Park	1	3

Season Record: 10-7-3

Right: Senior captain Logan Sohns dribbles the ball past two defenders.
Below: Senior captain Matt Carson traps a pass. Carson had five goals and nine assists this season.



Right: Team captain Jack Mitchell dribbles the ball up field. Mitchell was anticipating his and the defender's next move.



Dillion Pomeroy steals the ball from the opposing team. Pomeroy played two fall sports. He switched off between soccer and football.



Junior Mark Kapuska receives a through pass from sophomore Garrett Marxen. Kapuska led the team this year in goals.



Senior Spencer Reichenberger gets a header off of a punt.

BE AWARE

This year head coach Tyrel Seim preached to the team about mental toughness. He told them to always think things through and to always anticipate their next moves, skills crucial for defeating opposing teams. His idea of mental toughness really paid off in the end.

The team finished second in conference play and three players received All Conference honors: junior forward Mark Kapuska, senior defender Reese Weber, and senior midfielder Matt Carson. Senior defender Logan Sohns, senior defender Spencer Reichenberger, and senior midfielder Justin Sperbeck were named all conference honorable mention.

Besides being mentally tough, the guys wanted to look the part as well. The team met at senior goalie Jared Tuttle's house to shave their heads and make "lazer lines" on the side of their heads. Some players even went the extra mile to style their hair into a fohawk.

The first game after shaving their heads the team wore hats on the field. After the National Anthem the team removed their hats to play the game.

"The moment we took our hats off we were all pumped to play the game. It was like our new hair cut psyched us up and gave us a confidence rush," said Bailey Monson.

The team had many entertaining moments. "Not only was shaving our heads memorable, but so were the team meals," said Logan Sohns.

Before each game a different senior would host the team meal. They would eat and play video games. *Fifa '09* was always a team favorite.

"All the fun we had together off the field I think really helped us play well together on the field," said Reichenberger.



Left: Senior Justin Spurbeck shields the ball from a defender. Junior Bailey Monson stood behind to back him up. Top: Senior team captain Reese Weber prepares to throw in a long ball.



Marxen receives the ball from Mitchell. The defenders could not catch up to them.



Sophomore Nick Carson dribbles the ball up field.



Junior Shea Christensen runs to the ball punted by senior goalie Jared Tuttle.



Left: Senior Claire Perkins dribbles the ball to pass it to a teammate and get it away from her team's goal. Perkins played defense.



Left: Junior Sara Wacholz, who played midfield, boxes out an opponent on her way down field. Wacholz played with a cast for part of the season.



Left: Junior Stacy Christensen tries to send the ball in Wacholz's direction.



Top: Senior Allison Dunkelberger, a team captain, fights for the ball.

Right: Sophomore Madysen Von Wald battles off three defenders.



	W	O
Chanhasen	4	0
Mayer Lutheran	4	0
Minnetonka	0	2
Prior Lake	2	3
Shakopee	0	2
Mound-Westonka	4	1
Orono	1	2
Providence Academy	2	1
Saint John's Prep	1	0
Delano	1	0
Buffalo	1	2
Benilde-St. Margaret's	0	3
Glencoe-Silver Lake	8	0
Saint Cloud Cathedral	3	1
Holy Family Catholic	1	2
Rockford	1	1
Chaska	1	2
Delano	4	3
Breck School	1	0
Orono	0	1
Season Record: 10-8-1		

Right: Senior Leah Christensen heads up field with the ball, making sure to keep it away from the defense.



Left: Senior Ali Dunkleburger battles with two players from Providence Academy. She went up for a header.



Left: Attempting to block the ball, sophomore Madyson Von Wald slides in front of the path of an opponent.



Left: Senior sweeper Emily Ludwigson guides the ball to her awaiting teammates.



Top: Scarlett Sterner steps back to pass the ball. The defender came in head first.

Right: Perkins and Dunkelberger fight to get the ball away from the Providence players.

BEST WE CAN BE

Through much sickness and many injuries, the girls varsity soccer team and their coach, Gretchen Fritz, managed to post a 10-8-1 record.

One of the girls' biggest challenges wasn't an opposing team, it was illness.

"Our biggest struggle this year was all of the sicknesses," said senior Leah Christensen, a forward on the team. "There was more this year than usual which caused us to lose some of our starting players."

Even though there were some road blocks on the field, on game days the girls managed to have fun on team dress up days. Whether they were dressing like boys, cowgirls, 80's workout instructors or firemen to put out the Holy Family Fire, the team showed its great style.

"I really loved the dress up days this year," said Christensen. "They were fun, exciting and different, and they also were very creative compared to previous years."

On the field, mental preparedness was another challenge faced by the Wildcats.

"We were losing the game mentally, not physically," said coach Fritz.

Still, the team did have its share of accomplishments, including beating St. Cloud Cathedral 3-1, something that hadn't happened for four years. The team also posted six shut out victories.

The team ended its season with a 0-1 hard fought loss to Orono. Even though the loss ended the team's season, Christensen still remained optimistic.

"We could have done better, and we should have done better, but I guess we did the best we could do with the struggles we had," she said.





Left: Junior Jennifer Kallio is having fun during the last home meet. Kallio earned the Wildcat Award at the end of season.



Left: Senior Brittany Van Houtte performs on the springboard. She made her second consecutive appearance at the state swim meet.

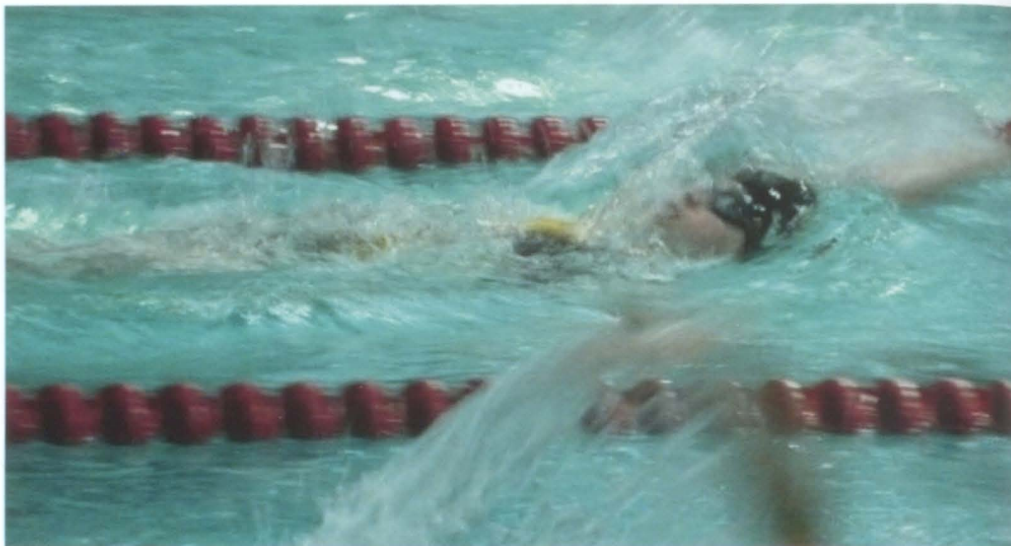


Left: Sophomore Kindra Melichar is making funny faces for the camera. The team has fun during diving.



Top: Freshman Alexanna Gluck, a first year member, dives at the last home meet.

Right: Senior Addy Scrimgeour is swimming the backstroke. Scrimgeour helped break a record in the 200 freestyle relay.



BEING PREPARED

Throughout a swimmer's career, he or she needs to develop in three key areas: speed, strength, and endurance. The girls' team worked to improve in these three areas.

Their speed was shown when they broke three school records. Alisha Bruner broke the 50 freestyle record with a time of 25.64. She also broke the 100 backstroke record with a time of 1:02.71. The 200 freestyle relay record was broken by a team consisting of Bruner, Taylor Kahl, Hannah Nagy and Addy Scrimgeour.

"The girls destroyed the school record with a time of 1:45:49," said Coach Chuck Charmstrom.

Strength was another big part of their success. Varsity girls woke up for six a.m. practices that consisted of strength and endurance training. Each week the practices were harder, but they improved the girls' performances.

"I think the whole aspect of getting better and improving is because of weight training," said Bruner. "You can swim and swim some more, but the only way you get better is by getting stronger when you participate in the higher level of swimming."

The girls increased endurance by swimming many yards during practice. Eventually, two team members earned a trip to the state swim meet. Bruner swam the 100 backstroke, placing tenth, and Brittany Van Houtte competed in diving.

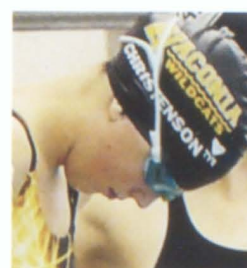




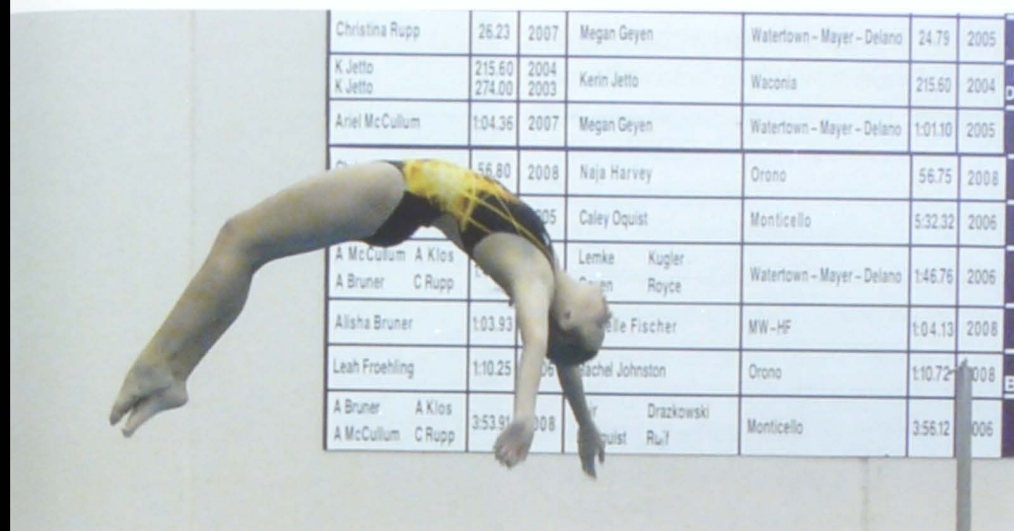
Left: Freshman Rachel Kieser is about to swim in the 400 freestyle relay. Kieser and her relay team took first place at the competition.



Left: A Waconia swimmer and a Watertown swimmer hug during the warm up at the 50's meet held at Watertown-Mayer.



Left: Junior Abigail Christenson is visualizing for her race. Christenson swam the 500 freestyle.



Top: Sophomore Meghan Farlow competes in the backstroke.

Left: Senior Brittany Van Houtte is diving. She broke the oldest record on the board.



	W	O
Hutchinson Invite	7 out of 8	
STMA	81	103
Litchfield	79	107
Marshall	77	109
Orono	77	104
Mound-Westonka	80	106
Holy Family	108	72
Watertown-Mayer Invite	2 out of 4	
St. Peter	86	95
St. Peter Invite	3 out of 6	
Becker	96	74
Dassel Cokato	89	97
Watertown-Mayer Delano	91	94
3A Section Championship	10 out of 12	

Season Record: 2 - 8

Left: Sophomore Taylor Kahl is swimming the 100 butterfly. This was Kahls first year swimming the butterfly. She received her best time at sections in Willmar.

BEING ON A ROLL

Being only two years young, the bowling team isn't flawless, but that doesn't take away from the energy of this year's co-ed team.

The bowling team was founded by senior Sam Niccum prior to her junior year, the 2008-2009 school year. Niccum decided to begin a bowling team after she played in a league outside of school. Along with junior Adam Biegel, she was one of this year's captains.

The team itself was relatively small consisting of twelve to fourteen people, but what they lacked in the numbers was made up for in enthusiasm.

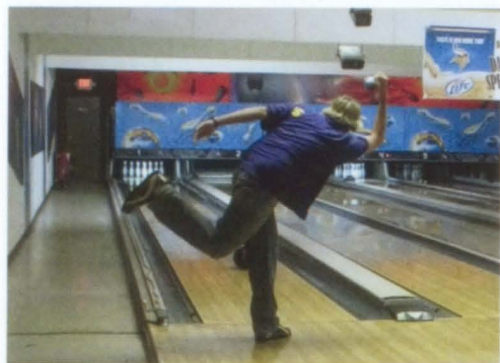
With little to no pressure, the typical atmosphere on the team is easygoing and laid back. Don't underestimate it though, the meets and practices are just as competitive as any other sport, but still enjoyable.

As cliché as it may be, the bowling team is best described as one big family. Even though the small number made it easy for the members to grow close and develop friendly bonds, it is a goal of the team to acquire more participants in the future.

The hope is that the bowling team will continue to grow and become better known throughout the school.



Top: Senior Samantha Niccum demonstrates correct form while bowling in Waconia. Niccum founded the bowling team in 2008. She is a two year member.



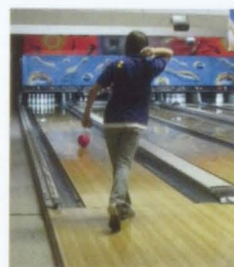
Above: Junior Adam Biegel shows great form.
Right: (Front Row): Samantha Niccum, Erica Anderson, Ashley Stangret, Madilyn Theis. (Back Row): Dennis Niccum, Adam Biegel, Gunner Sipper, Jordan Lowell, Hunter Boser and Mark Bentz



Left: Junior Erica Anderson gracefully sends the ball soaring down the lane.



Left: Sophomore Ashley Stangret modestly awaits the outcome as the ball speeds toward the pins.



Left: Senior Gunner Sipper forcefully hurls the ball down the lane.



WILLY BELONGS

An old proverb says, "What goes around, comes around," and now Willy the Wildcat, the cheerleading mascot, came back around this year.

The cheerleading squad made a decision this year that they hoped would help their squad interact more with the game crowds and Waconia students. They had Willy the Wildcat come back in the form of senior Kelsi Ruth.

The fall cheerleading squad and their coach, Juliette Vredeburg, pooled their creativity together to make the final decisions. That's how they decided to bring Willy the Wildcat back.

"As a kid, I always remembered the mascot and how cool it was," said team-captain Tiffany Johnson. "When the squad went to all the schools for pep-fest, immediately the kids went loco for Willy."

Ruth had been a team captain for two years, but an after school job kept her away from cheering. She was then offered the position of team mascot, which allowed her to be part of the squad once again.

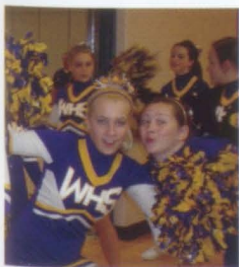
"I felt so happy to be back. I missed the team's bonding," said Ruth.

Top: Willy the Wildcat performs during a timeout of the Homecoming football game. Senior Kelsi Ruth donned the mascot costume for 2009-2010 events.



Top: Sophomore Josie Sayre and the cheerleading squad raise the crowd's spirits during a home football game.

Left: Willy the Wildcat and Tiffany Johnson share an enjoyable moment during a school pepfest.



Left: Josie Sayre, Cassie Johnson, Libby Mauk, Taylor Nelson, and Mira Thauern get rowdy prior to the Homecoming pepfest.



Left: Taylor Nelson, Willy the Wildcat, Tiffany Johnson and Josie Sayre are ready to applaud the fall sports and team captains.



Left: Willy the Wildcat, senior Kelsi Reuther, joins the cheerleaders during the performing of the school song.

BEING DEFENSIVE

Based on the boys' basketball team's previous success, four conference titles in the past five years, head coach Pat Hayes was very optimistic at the start of the season.

With the loss of just three seniors to graduation, Hayes was confident about his team's chances during the 2009-2010 season.

The Wildcats received plenty of production from the returning players including junior forward Shelby Moats; senior guard Danny Fischbach; senior center Logan Sohns; senior forward Patrick Logelin; junior Bronson Scheff, a guard; junior Ben Kortuem; and sophomore Alex Schmitt.

The team's success didn't always come easy, as they tried to keep pace with Orono in the Wright County Conference. They focused more on their defense and cut down on turnovers, which led to success, a 22-4 season record.

With this new concentration, they had a lot of success on the court and the most memorable moment of all may have been defeating Orono 59-49 to claim the Wright County Conference title. The team finished the conference schedule with a 15-1 record before beginning section play.

In section play, the Wildcats lost a close game to Minneapolis Washburn, 47-49, ending their season.



Above: Senior Patrick Logelin has control of the ball in a game at Litchfield.

Right: The team celebrates a victory against Orono and a Wright County Conference championship.



Left: Junior Shelby Moats concentrates before shooting a free throw in a game at Litchfield. He is being recruited by several Division I schools.



Left: The Wildcats celebrated their victory after a 59-49 win against the Orono Spartans. The event was known as the "Waconia Black Out."



Left: Junior Ben Kortuem concentrates on his form before attempting a free throw in a conference game against Watertown-Mayer.



	W	O
Minnetonka	86	80
Hutchinson	66	71
Sibley East	75	55
Prior Lake	85	44
Litchfield	82	50
Edina	52	45
Eden Prairie	55	69
Shakopee	58	52
Delano	62	60
Academy of Holy Angels	59	43
Dassel-Cokato	72	43
New Prague	62	60
Orono	62	74
Watertown-Mayer	74	56
Mound-Westonka	67	50
Annandale	61	47
Glencoe-Silver Lake	65	42
Litchfield	64	48
Delano	77	36
Dassel-Cokato	68	35
Watertown-Mayer	68	27
Mound-Westonka	67	50
Annandale	63	41
Glencoe-Silver Lake	77	35
Orono	59	49
Minneapolis Washburn	47	49
Season Record: 22-4		

Left: Senior Patrick Logelin guards the ball against Litchfield.



Above: Senior Danny Fischbach drive into the key for a layup.

Left: Junior Christian Goldman dribbles the ball past a defender.



Left: Everyone waits in anticipation as senior Logan Sohns attempts a shot in a game against the Watertown-Mayer Royals.



Left: Freshman Wylie Ferron takes a jump shot against the Litchfield Dragons.



Left: The crowd admires junior Bronson Scheff as he dominates the basket with his skillful moves.

	W	O
Mpls. North	39	48
Chanhassen	64	47
New Prague	53	66
Shakopee	68	32
Glencoe-Silver Lake	68	25
Orono	80	74
Holy Family	62	47
Hutchinson	43	40
Belle Plaine	66	23
Litchfield	66	41
Delano	59	47
Minnetonka	49	66
Dassel-Cokato	66	41
Orono	49	46
Watertown-Mayer	65	59
Mound Westonka	52	34
Annandale	55	66
Glencoe-Silver Lake	71	23
Litchfield	69	33
Delano	67	37
Dassel-Cokato	73	62
Watertown- Mayer	60	52
De La Salle	55	61
Mound Westonka	64	30
Jordan	74	48
Annandale	70	52
Chanhassen	70	53
Mpls. North	62	65

Season Record: 22-6

Right: Senior forward Allison Dunkelberger drives past a Lady Polars' defender during the section playoff game against Minneapolis North. After defeating the Chanhassen Storm in the opening round of section play, the Polars narrowly defeated the Wildcats 65-62 following a buzzer-beater shot.



Above: Senior Amy Erickson gets the ball past her defender during a battle with Orono. Right: Sophomore Samantha Schnyder drives the ball against De La Salle.



Left: Junior Morgan Schultz looks for an open teammate in the game against Minneapolis North. The Wildcats played two tough games against the Polars.



Left: Laura Schmitt tries to escape tight man-to-man defense during the section playoff game.



Left: Ali Dunkelberger, Leah Christensen, Amy Erickson, Britta Rinke and Lauren Deadrick plan their game strategy during a team huddle.



BETTER THE SECOND TIME AROUND

Winning a conference title is a great accomplishment. Winning a conference title against strong competition is even better. Winning your second conference title in two years is even better.

The team knew what it was like to win a conference championship. They won conference in 2009. This year they hoped to do that and more.

"As a team we all wanted the same thing: a conference title and a run at state," said junior Quincee Raymond.

The season began with strong conference play. The girls won eight conference games, two against Orono, and played well against non-conference opponents. The Annandale Cardinals spoiled the girls' chances at a perfect conference record by handing the girls their one and only conference loss.

"We didn't exactly play our best, but we proved ourselves by beating them by 18 points in our second meeting," said junior Whitney Buesgens.

Following strong non-conference play, including a near defeat of top ranked De La Salle, the girls defeated the Cardinals 70-52 to earn their second straight Wright County Conference championship and finish conference play with a 15-1 record.

"It's such a great accomplishment for our team. I am honored to be a part of it," said junior Morgan Schultz.



Left: Junior Stacy Christensen keeps her eyes down court looking for a possible teammate. Above: Laura Schmitt goes up for a lay up.



Left: A Lady Polar faces some strong Wildcat defense as the teams battle for possession of the ball.



Left: Junior Whitney Buesgens tries to get ahead of her opponent.



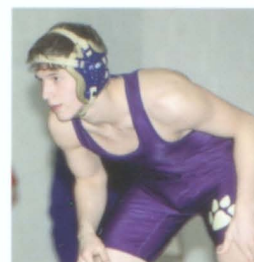
Left: Sophomore Lauren Deadrick looks for an open teammate. She had seven rebounds against Annandale on Feb. 26.



Left: Jesse Conkey celebrates a win. Conkey is a senior and has been wrestling for all four years of High School.



Left: Senior Eric Bach tries to start the match out strong by taking down his opponent fast.



Left: Riley Trnka gets ready to take down the other player. This is his freshman year, and he is already on Varsity.



Above: Junior Brady Kenney, flips his opponent to get him on the ground.

Right: Senior Tyler Nordby hold his opponent down for the win.



	W	O
Marshall	42	24
Shakopee	28	48
Milaca	6	70
Le Sueur-Henderson	39	34
Annandale	30	48
Watertown-Mayer	25	46
Orono	47	34
Minnetonka	35	34
Glencoe-Silver Lake	50	21
New Prague	31	41
Dassel-Cokato	15	55
Litchfield	34	37
Saint Peter	29	41
Norwood-Young America	51	21
Mound Westonka	69	11
Delano	30	40
Glencoe-Silver Lake	54	15
Scott West	6	64

Season Record: 8-10



Right: Senior John Castaneda holds down his opponent to win the match. Castaneda has been a varsity wrestler for the past three years.

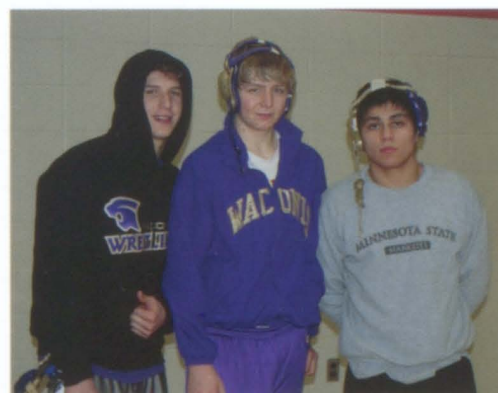
Left: Ryan Eischens, a junior, battles an opponent from Watertown-Mayer.



Left: Junior Will Lynn holds down his opponent, despite the blood. Lynn wrestled on both the junior varsity and varsity this season.



Left: Sophomore Kohlton Schmidt shows his satisfaction after winning a match. Schmidt has been on varsity for two years now.



Left: Sophomore Samuel Braunshausen pulls his opponent down. Above: Riley Trnka, Max Bullock, and John Castaneda take a during a triangular.



BE AGGRESSIVE, BE A TEAMMATE

This year the wrestling team has really come to prove that hard work pays off. Starting off the season with a win, team members were optimistic for the rest of the season. Unfortunately, they hit a tough spot

"Hitting a tough spot had an effect on the team, but we just picked ourselves back up and practiced harder," said senior Tyler Nordby.

Working harder paid off too. After their "rough patch" the team kicked it into high gear winning the next 21 matches. Winning was a big boost for the team, but they wouldn't have gotten there if it wasn't for all the hard work and determination.

"We got to where we are by pushing each other 100% in practice," said senior John Castaneda.

Although being a team and a "family" is a big part of wrestling, that was not what the team was all about this year.

The team faced and beat Glencoe, and then began individual sections in Delano. Throughout the season, they made sure they all supported one another.

"There is no 'star' on the team. We all have good and bad days, but no matter what, we always have a winner's attitude," said junior Ryan Eischens.



Left: Juniors Anna Christensen and Molly Elasky strike their poses at the beginning of an electrifying performance.



Left: The varsity jazz team spices up the competition with a Bollywood themed performance.



Left: The Lakettes were full of emotion after realizing they had earned a trip to the state competition.



Above: The jazz team strikes a final pose at the Waconia Invitational.

Right: The Lakettes show off their grins, their medals and their second place trophy.



BEING RHYTHMIC

If you asked any Lakette what this season's goal was, she probably would have replied, "to go to state."

This year the Lakettes did just that. After last season's disappointing end, the dance team was more determined than ever to take it to the next level. Everyone, including the coaches, put in more effort and had more motivation at each and every practice.

With this new found energy, the team hit the ground running, placing first in High Kick at their very first competition in Apple Valley. The Lakettes kept this momentum throughout the season with tougher practices, more drills, and more focus. Teammates pushed one another to become the best dancers possible.

All this hard work paid off when they finished second in high kick at the 3AA Section competition, qualifying for state. This achievement alone was a dream come true, but it was topped with an eighth place finish at state.

Even though the Lakettes worked extremely hard this season, they still knew how to relax and have fun. Team dinners or breakfasts before a competition helped build individual relationships and bond the entire team. Drama was forgotten and differences were set aside, creating an even stronger feeling of sisterhood.



Left: After a long day at the state competition, the teams line up on the Target Center floor to hear the results of the high kick competition.



Left- The Lakettes kick their way to eighth place.



Left: Junior Natalie Kalkes heats things up on the dance floor with her stylish moves.



Left: The Lakettes kicked their way to an eighth place finish at state. Above: The team savors its second place medals and cake after its second place finish at the 3AA competition in Delano.



2009-2010 Competitions

Apple Valley Invitational
Lakeville South Invitational
Maple Grove Invitational
Prior Lake Invitational
Wright County Conference
Waconia Invitational
Section 3AA
State Tournament

Left: The Lakettes' High Kick team is all smiles as members wait for their music to begin prior to the 2010 MSHSL State Danceline competition held at the Target Center in Minneapolis. The Lakettes' section had many screaming, cheering fans.

LET THE GAMES BEGIN

Starting the second season in the new arena still led to a rivalry between Waconia and Holy Family.

"Everyone knew it was going to be a good game," said senior Tyler Burmeister.

The season started out by choosing the captains and holding practices between November and March.

"Sometimes it feels like it never ends," said senior Brian McAvoy.

To prepare for a game, many grab something to eat, show up to the rink early, and listen to music to get themselves pumped up. Senior Pete Brettingen said that cold showers and stretching helps also.

After ten games, it was finally time to face Holy Family. The arena was full and everyone was ready for the game to begin. McAvoy said that the team's adrenaline was pumping and no one could wait to get onto the ice. Once on the ice, both teams became very aggressive and even a few fights broke out. "It was crazy," said Burmeister.

The team lost the first contest to Holy Family 2-3. Unfortunately, they also lost the second game against Holy Family 2-9.

The team ended their season with 62 goals and two wins.



Above: Junior Tyler Selleck is getting ready for the puck to drop.

Right: Junior Mitchell Martins is trying to intercept his opponent's pass.



Left: Senior Charles Smothers rushes to get the puck.



Left: Sophomore Justin Young is trying to beat his opponent to the net.



Left: Freshman Ryan Mattson races against his opponent to get the puck.



	W	O
St. Paul Academy & Summit	4	7
Henry Sibley	3	6
Hutchinson	0	8
Dodge County Wildcats	1	4
St. Peter/Le Sueur	7	1
Mankato East/Loyola	4	5
Prior Lake	2	6
Simley	2	4
Pine City/Rush City	4	5
Delano	1	6
Holy Family Catholic	2	3
Richfield	4	5
Mound-Westonka	1	1
Orono	2	8
Minneapolis West	4	1
Litchfield/Dassel-Cokato	1	7
Saint Cloud Cathedral	0	4
Delano	1	4
Marshall/Lakeview	4	6
Holy Family Catholic	2	9
Mound-Westonka	0	6
Redwood Valley	3	3
Orono	5	7
Litchfield/Dassel-Cokato	0	6
Saint Cloud Cathedral	0	6
Season Record: 2-21-2		

Left: Senior Travis Genz is facing against an opponent at the beginning of a game. Teammates sophomore Justin Young and junior Tyler Selleck helped by defending.



Above: Sophomore Charlie Klos is crashing the net to try to score a goal.

Right: Seniors Pete Brettingen, Travis Genz, and Brian McAvoy are moving the puck away from their goal.



Left: Freshman Forrest Parsch readies himself for a hit.



Left: Senior Tyler Burmeister is skating to meet players on the line for the National Anthem.



Left: Senior Pete Brettingen is ready to assist junior Dalton Tolzmann as they move down the ice.

BEING A FAMILY

Getting along and having everyone work together was key for the team this year. They were part of a cooperative with Holy Family Catholic School.

"All the girls get along great, and it is never segregated. It is always us together," said Watson.

The team decided to take a new route as they had new coaches and a determined mind. Freshman Grace Watson said that the team's goals were to win most of their games while still having fun.

"The best part about being a part of the team is how much fun we had together and how close we all became," said sophomore Kelsey Burmeister.

According to sophomore Carly Taylor, another team goal was to win its first varsity game, which it did. They finished the season with a 10-20 record.

Overall, team members said they met their expectations.

"I've never played this sport before, and I never would have guessed the season to go as well as it did. It was exactly what I wanted," said senior Carly Stockert.



Above: Senior Kelsey Peters handles the puck down the ice.

Below: Senior Kelsey Peters steals the puck away and passing to eighth grader Jamie Kichler and freshman Grace Watson as sophomore Carly Bergstrom keeps a close eye on things.



Above: Sophomore Carly Taylor receives the puck as teammates freshman Jenna Sik and sophomore Kelsey Burmeister look for a pass and hopefully a goal.



Left: Sophomore Kelsey Burmeister is helping out the goalie by moving the puck down the ice. She has been in hockey for 10 years.



Left: Senior Chelsea Wickenhauser attempts a shot on goal.



Left: Senior Carly Stockert is preparing herself for anything to happen as senior Chelsea Wickenhauser helps defend the net. This was Stockert's first year ever playing hockey.

BEST WE CAN BE

Improvement was the main goal for the team this season.

"Our goals were to improve ourselves so we could beat teams and possibly go to state. We came really close as we got second out of eight teams at sections," said junior Emily Sanborn.

Freshman Alexanna Gluck and eighth grader Jade Swensen were two girls that qualified for state. Gluck finished with an all-around score of 34.150 and placed 25th at the Class A state competition. Swensen finished 17th in balance beam with a score of 8.825.

Sanborn said that cheering and watching the girls go to state was one of her favorite moments of the season. The girls helped keep each other motivated.

"Music really helps me stay motivated, and when we just have fun as a team, we tend to do better," said senior Brittany Van Houtte.

Each girl worked individually on what she thought needed improvement. Sanborn said this was a season filled with many individual highlights and memorable accomplishments.

"I'm proud of our team and our accomplishments this year," said Sanborn.



Above: Senior Brittany Van Houtte is concentrating hard before her routine on the balance beam. She has been on the team since seventh grade.

Below: Freshman Alexanna Gluck is finishing a flip off of the vault. Gluck made it to state this year.



Above: Eighth grader Jade Swensen is focusing on the uneven bars. She was one of two team members to make it to state. She finished 17th on the balance beam.



Left: Freshman McKensie Livermore is performing her beam routine at the home competition held at Clearwater Middle School.



Left: Junior Emily Sanborn is balancing and gaining momentum before jumping to the other uneven bar. Uneven bars are her favorite routine to do.



Left: Freshman Katelyn McMahon shows her flexibility, agility and gracefulness while she competes in the floor exercise.

BEING QUICK TO THE FINISH

The Alpine ski team is comprised of members from Waconia, Watertown, Mound-Westonka, and Holy Family. There are 37 members total, five from Waconia.

"The team placing works much like swimming," explained junior Jimmy Froehling, "It is an individual sport, but all the times on the varsity team add up to see who the winning team is."

The ski team started practices at the end of fall with dry-land practices; shortly after Thanksgiving they started skiing.

The ski team had many races this year and made it to sections. Waconia racers competed separately in the Section 5 race held on Feb. 2. Madilynn Honnold finished as Waconia's top female finisher placing 60th out of over 90 racers. Turi Hjelsand and Freddi Lobbecke also performed well at sections.

On the boys' side, junior James Froehling, finished his two races with a combined time of 1:14.00, placing 49th out of 92 racers.

"Everyone did a great job," said head coach Lisa Froehling. "It was really great to see new skiers join the team this year and improve throughout the season. The sections race was a blast as always, and we are looking forward to next year."



Above: Junior James Froehling speeds around a pole at sections.

Below: Junior Madilynn Honnold breaks through a gate.



Above: Junior Nicole Winkelman makes a clean turn.



Left: Juniors Turi Hjelsand and Friederike Lobbecke ride the chairlift up to the starting gate. They were mentally getting themselves prepared for the race.



Left: Lobbecke prepares to race down the course. Lobbecke was a foreign exchange student this year.



Left: Hjelsand skis down the course at sections. She, along with Lobbecke and Honnold, made up Waconia's female team at the section competition.



Above: Will Chandler receives a medal at sections.
Below: Chandler in lane 5 competing to win the 50 free style.

BEING A RECORD BREAKER

This was an exciting year for the boys' swim team. Waconia's own Will Chandler was one of four swimmers who helped the Watertown-Mayer/Waconia/Delano boys' swimming team win the 400-meter freestyle relay in conference record-setting time at the Cambridge-Isanti meet on Jan. 28. The winning time of 3:25.60 shattered the old Mississippi 8 Conference record of 3:29.83.

After their victorious finish against Cambridge-Isanti, the swimming team defeated Orono on Feb. 4. With the Royals and Spartans tied at 86-86 heading into the final event, the Royals' relay team of Chandler, Blake Asbury, Caleb McKusick and Adam Arveson swam the 400 freestyle relay and captured first place, earning a 98-88 victory over their conference rival.

Waconia's Chandler qualified for two events at the state swim meet which was held at the University of Minnesota Aquatics Center. Chandler competed as a member of the 200 free style relay team and as a member of the 400 free style relay team. The teams finished 9th in the 200 free style and 10th in the 400 free style.

"With all the accomplishments and the seniors leaving this year, I have felt as though it was my senior year as well, and I pushed myself to do the best I could because of it," said Chandler.



Above: Adam Arveson, Eric Roche, Blake Asbury, Will Chandler and Harry Schaefer. Arveson, Asbury, and Schaefer were the captains of the team this year.



Left: Eric Roche swims the 100 breaststroke in a race at Buffalo. He placed well in his final race of the season.



Left: Chandler swims the 200 IM at the dual meet against Princeton on Feb. 11. The team went on to win the meet.

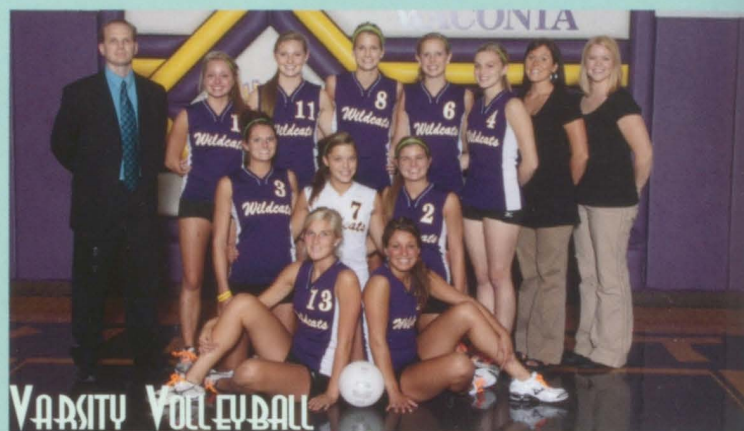


Left: Roche touches for the 200 free style relay in JV sections at Buffalo. The relay team dropped over two seconds.

2009-2010 TEAMS



First Row: Matthew Thomas, John Castenada, Trevor Horning, Matthew Gieseke, Timothy Watts, Joseph Sandholm, Thomas Morimoto, Shane Hanson; Second Row: Scott Rajewsky, Efrain Macedo, Evan Graff, Pete Brettingen, Jake Braunschauen, Charles Smothers, Dillon Pomeroy, Tyler Gunnufson, Eric Bach; Third Row: Grady Holtburg, Bryan Faust, Christian Goldman, Josh Frischmon, Keaton Everett, Kenneth Dallman, Byron Synstegaard, Nick Hennen, Zachary Synstegaard, Bronson Scheff, Micheal Schuette, Zachary Leshner; Fourth Row: Micah Asleson, Tyler Trmka, Zach Fimon, Robert Smith, Andrew Schulenberg, Calvin Brown, William Duran Lynn, Jonathon Traxler, Timothy Deweese, James Widmer, Joshua Sinen, Joshua Torgeson, Alex Schmitt; Fifth Row: Alex Williams, Anton Lieb, Chris Sinclair, Justin Otremba, Dan Kolar, Maxx Williams, Luke Kassmeyer, Jake Durkin, Brady Kenney, Eric Durkin, Sam Braunschauen, Joseph Kirsch; Sixth Row: Evan Carlson, Shoen Kichler, Joseph Wasmund, Mitchel Webber, Austin Millender, Dalton Sawyer, Jackson Weppner, Jacob Bass, Garrett Shaw, Logan Bowman; Seventh Row: Assistant Coach Colin Bender, Head Coach Patrick Foley, Assistant Coaches Terry Gammel, Dave Kuehn, Michael Johnson, Mark Grundhofer, Michael McDonald, Derek Myhre, Mike Zaske



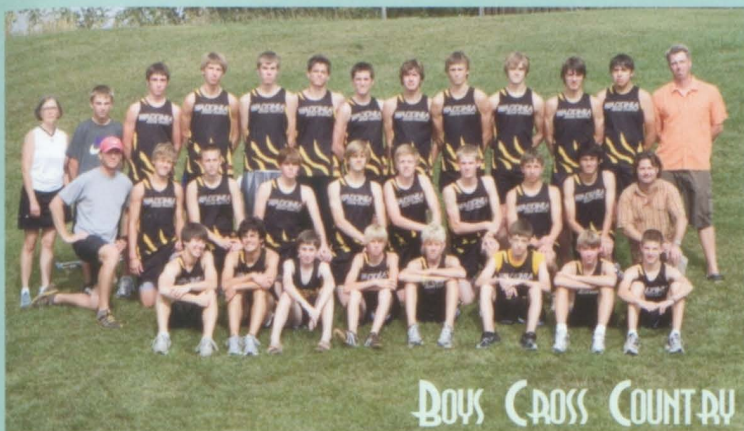
First Row: Chandra Honebrink, Morgan Schultz; Second Row: Bethany Aeling, Dana Noeldner, Whitney Buesgens; Third Row: Head Coach Jim Lee, Jessica Heimdal, Jessica Rice, Turi Hjelsand, Victoria Larkin, Laura Schmitt, Assistant Coach Melia Archambault, Assistant Coach Alicia Frickman



First Row: Sheaden Christensen, Nicholas Carson, Jackson Mitchell, Javier Flores, Jared Tuttle, Reese Weber, Steven Fischer, Bailey Monson, Matthew Carson; Second Row: Garrett Marxen, Connor Cowley, Spencer Reichenberger, Logan Sohns, Justin Spurbeck, Everett Rinke, Gerrit Bass, Mark Kapuska, Head Coach Tyrel Seim



First Row: Scarlett Sterner, Grace Watson, Claire Perkins, Emily Ludwigson, Kelsie Gunnufson, Kayla Christensen, Sara Wachholz, Kelsey Woodland, Chelsea Vanderoff; Second Row: Maria Forsythe, Stacy Christensen, Allison Dunkelberger, Amy Erickson, Leah Christensen, Rebecca Pederson, Carly Stockert, Madysen Von Wald, Marisa Melchert, Head Coach Gretchen Fritz



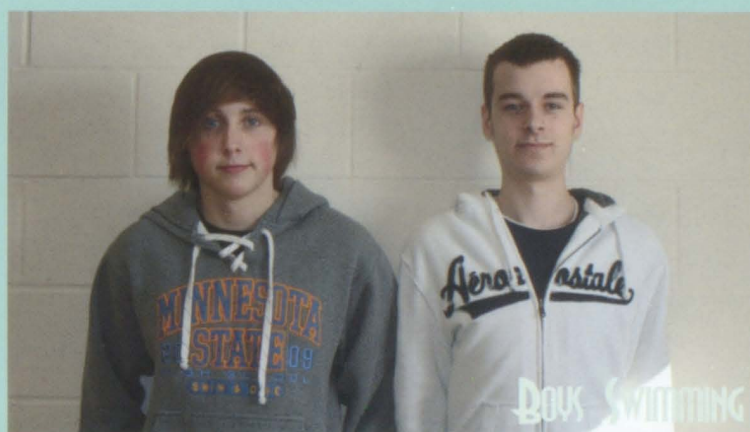
First Row: Erik Evjen, Sean Linden, Dawson Kimyon, Skylar Larson, Adam Kirsch, Ian Manske, Austin Strong, Thomas Edwards; Second Row: Assistant Coach Christian Gilbert, Drew Naubauer, Mark Bullis, Jacob Billstrom, Marshall Born, Carl Wenning, Alec Williams, Blake Willems, Mitchell Segner, Head Coach Clark Machtemes; Third Row: Assistant Coach Sandy Wasness, Charlie Klos, Jesse Sterner, Dane Aadland, Caleb Seeman, Michael Brown, Michael Murray, James Froehling, Patrick Logelin, Tanner Delange, Zachary Emerson, Nigel Cook, Assistant Coach Don Skerik



First Row: Alyssa Hennen, Katie Shuman, Emma Wabbe, Sarah Farlow, Kelsey Wenning, Christina Marceau, Kelsey Brennan, Becky Boughten, Rebecca Hughes, Kerry Hayes, Meredith Proulx, Chelsea Wickenhauer, Dacotah Smith, April Daley; Second Row: Lyndsy Chase, Lydia Long, Whitney Vacek, Ashley Castaneda, Alyson Graff, Amanda Cook, Samantha Schnyder, Lauren Deadrick, Danielle Kirsch, Jenifer Haler, Jaclyn O'Konek, Kelsey Burnmeister, Allison Corson, Victoria Haler, Ashley Haus; Third Row: Assistant Coach Christian Gilbert, Assistant Coach Sandy Wasness, Elle Skerik, Alexis Willems, Allie Helle, Katherine Tusha, Meghan Radde, Cassandra Anderson, Amanda Daley, Katie Christensen, Alana Kiel, Kelly Drey, Ariadne Alvarez, Julia Johnson, Assistant Coach Don Skerik, Head Coach Clark Machtemes



First Row: Jadyn Weibel, Paige Erickson, Alissa Kirby, Sadie Emerson, Bianca Lenz, Jenna Saunders; Second Row: Alexanna Gluck, Alexis Van Houtte, Nora Stevenson, Sophia Younkin, Rachel Kieser, Megan Siebert, Hannah Schultz; Third Row: Megan Farlow, Hannah Nagy, Lindsay Harder, Kindra Melichar, Taylor Kahl, Jerica Waligoski; Forth Row: Olivia McCullum, Amanda Smith, Addy Scrimgeour, Taylor Gregory, Alisha Bruner, Abigale Christenson, Brittany Van Houtte, Jennifer Kallio, Ramya Melichar



First Row: William Chandler, Eric Roche



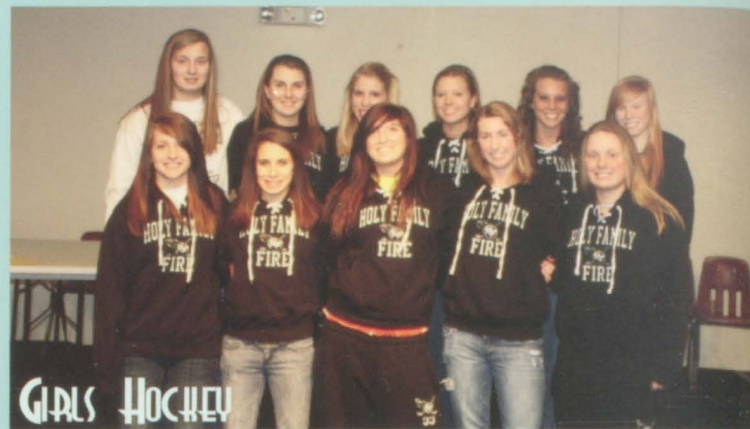
First Row: Benjamin Kortuem, Logan Sohns, Daniel Fischbach, Patrick Logelin, Michael Brown, Bronson Scheff; Second Row: Assistant Coach Tom Konrardy, Luke Kassmeyer, Tanner Friedrich, Shelby Moats, Wylie Feron, Assistant Coach Michael Johnson, Head Coach Pat Hayes; Third Row: Assistant Coach Chad Hauke, Alex Schmitt, Christian Goldman, Zachary Synstegaard, Nicholas Hennen, Matthew Rachey



First Row: Quincee Raymond, Whitney Buesgens, Morgan Shultz, Kendra Johnson; Second Row: Lauren Deadrick, Leah Christensen, Stephanie McGinn, Laura Schmitt, Brittney Lund; Third Row: Head Coach Tom Doysher, Assistant Coach Dave Philp, Dacotah Smith, Amy Erickson, Allison Dunkelberger, Britta Rinke, Alyssa Hennen, Assistant Coaches Paul Henn and Dustin Neibaaur



First Row: Nathan Kovach, Travis Genz, Ryan Mattson, Head Coach Dan Benham, Assistant Coach Tony Steffes, Dalton Tolzmann, Charlie Klos, Cory McKeever; Second Row: Mitchell Martins, Maxx Williams, Brian McAvoy, Pete Brettingen, Tyler Burmeister, Garrett Shaw, Charles Smothers, Forrest Parsch, Justin Young, Alec Williams, Tyler Selleck



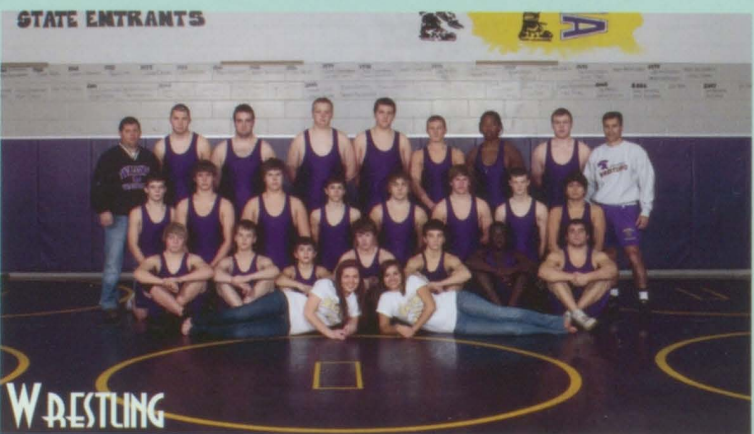
First Row: Haley Sites, Chelsea Wickenhauser, Carly Stockert, Kelsey Peters, Jenna Sik; Second Row: Jacilee Reinke, Grace Watson, Kelsey Burmeister, Abbey Matheson, Carly Taylor, Pagie Ehalt



First Row: Rebecca Shirk, Molly Elasky, Natalie Kalkes, Carissa Bakke; Second Row: Madison Pietz, Kelly Drey, Anna Christensen, Kayla Vit, Maria Spurbeck; Third Row: Krissy Rademacher, Marisa Kiedel, Jill Sutherland, Jordan Decker, Victoria Haler, Shantel Peters; Fourth Row: Jenna Lund, Danielle Johnson, Haley Brennan, Madison Hintegen, Sybil Rosenau, Jade Anderson, Mackenzie Loutzenhiser



First Row: McKensie Livermore, Brittany Van Houtte, Katelyn McMahon; Second Row: Kryslyn Olson, Emily Sanborn, Carly Orhaff; Third Row: Jade Swenson, Alexanna Gluck, Clarice Kinnenburg



First Row: Student Managers Ellie Haggemiller, Rachel Flemig; Second Row: Maxwell Bullock, Austin Reich, Jordan Patula, Kase Jacobs, Sam Braunshausen, Charles Ombati, Tyler Nordby; Third Row: Nicholas Asmussen, Riley Tmka, Kohlton Schmidt, Casey Major, Kenneth Dallman, Austin Millender, Ryan Eischens, John Casteneda; Fourth Row: Head Coach Kelly Wagener, Bryan Faust, Eric Bach, Brady Kenney, Joshua Torgeson, Jesse Conkey, Kilantes Todd, Schoen Kichler, Assistant Coach Mike Petit



First Row: Nicole Winkelman, Madilynn Honnold, Turi Hjelsand, James Froehling; Second Row: Madelynn Lage, Vanessa Livermore; Third Row: Coach Lisa Froehling, Friederike Lobbecke



First Row: Carter Nelson; Second Row: Cristy Medina, Cassie Johnson, Mira Thauern, Josie Sayre; Third Row: Head Coach Juliet Vredeborg, Tiffany Johnson, Elizabeth Mauk, Taylor Nelson, Viviana Medina



First Row: Cassie Johnson, Josie Sayre, Tiffany Johnson; Second Row: Maria Bennedict, Head Coach Juliet Vredeborg, Mira Thauern

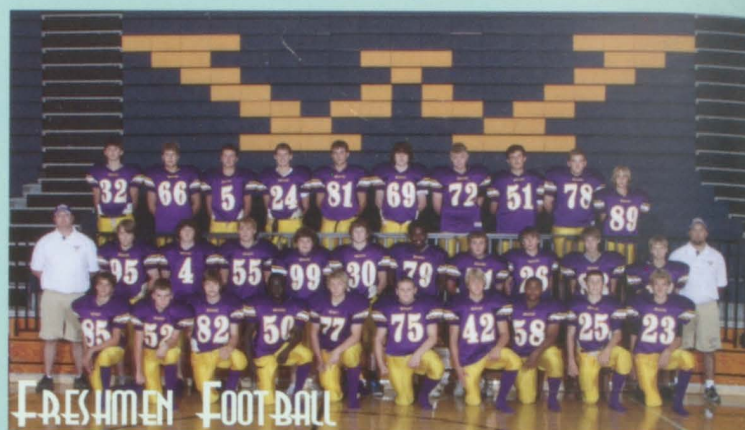


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JV/FRESHMEN TEAMS



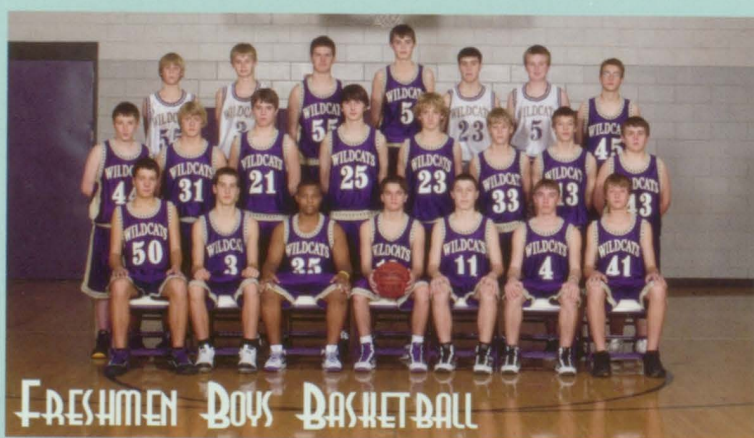
FRESHMEN FOOTBALL
First Row: Joshua Lenz, Nicholas Winjum, Grant Schmieg, Charles Ombati, Maxwell Bullock, Zach Adams, Jacob Fettig, Marcus Rascot, Brian Porter, Wyatt Held; Second Row: Coach Michael Johnson, Brady Berderson, Forrest Parsch, Alex Giese, Chris Braudt, Kase Jacobs, Quami Robinson, Justin Bruegemier, Ryan Mattson, Zachary Hilk, Caleb Neu, Coach Michael Zaske; Third Row: Alex Chandler, Kohlton Schmidt, Cody Clark, Riley Timka, Mitchell Green, Brady Turner, Drew Johnson, Eric Schmelzer, Joshua Watts, Benjamin Vaske



FRESHMEN GIRLS BASKETBALL
First Row: Ashley Pannier, Elise Rogers, Caroline Jacobs, Emily Jaeger, Courtney Lund; Second Row: Tayler Rolf, Jennifer Schuette, Lauren Williams, Elizabeth Hughes; Third Row: Elizabeth Bourgeois, Sarah Christians, Kiersten Wille, Alexis Williams, Head Coach Dusty Neibauer



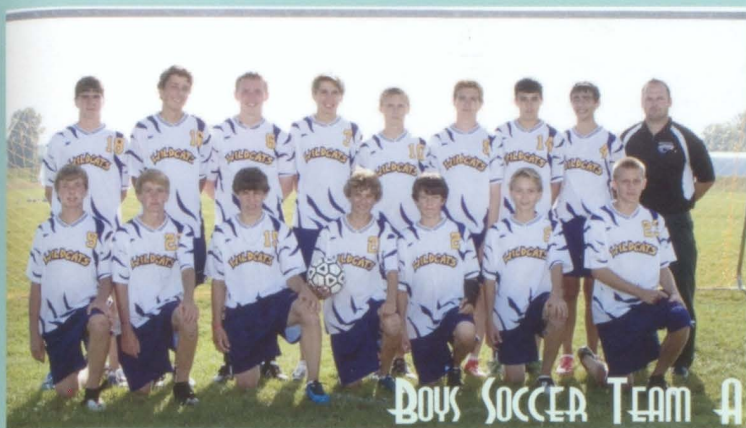
JV GIRLS BASKETBALL
First Row: Alyson Graff, Samantha Schnyder; Second Row: Brianna Vanderlinde, Kelsey Daugherty, Kayla Christensen, Morgan Iverson, Cassandra Miller; Third Row: Kelsie Gunnufson, Christine Leonard, Fiona Demario, Stephanie Dressen, Head Coach Paul Henn



FRESHMEN BOYS BASKETBALL
First Row: Brandon Benson, Tyler Kuennen, Marcus Raskob, Joshua Lenz, Brian Porter, Cole Hanson, Nick Birnberger; Second Row: Brendan Simon, Jacob Fettig, Mitchell Green, Alex Chandler, Wyatt Held, Adam Kirsch, Ian Manske, Justin Brueggemeier; Third Row: Skylar Larson, Clint Kassmeyer, Cody Clark, Autin Fuller, Braden Johnson, Tyler Pierson, Patrick Lemke



JV BOYS BASKETBALL
First Row: Anthony Rupp, Evan Carlson, Peder Haugsby, Jacob Laplante, Micah Asleson, Cody Wood, Nicholas Carson; Second Row: Lucas Johnson, Drew Neubauer, Dalton Sawyer, Everett Rinke, Mitchel Weber, Coach Michael Johnson



First Row: Nicholas Dimberger, Ryan Christensen, Daniel Butz, Steven Diehl, Benjamin Kullman, Tyler Christensen, William Shultz; Second Row: Mark Brose, Brandon Benson, Benjamin Wallace, Garrett Bass, Cameron Pomeroy, Peter Moore, Chase Rossell, Ian DeVaen, Coach Tony Steffes



First Row: Josh Geiszler; Second Row: Zackary Zawada, Nicholas Selleck, Seth Couger, Mitchell Zebell, Kody Delange, Christian Roddy, Nicholas Henninger; Third Row: Coach Jared DeWolf, Jan-Henrik Innvaer, Jacob Flatebo, Clint Kassmeyer, Jeffrey Hennen, Jonathan Welter, Brandon Gonzalez, Alex Hermann, Jacob Mueller



First Row: Lexi Karles, Chloe Reinhard, Kenzie Hedlund, Mackenna Trnka, Jade Anderson; Second Row: Samantha Laumann, Stephanie Beaulieu, Kaia Gude, Elizabeth Bourgeois; Third Row: Wade Loutsenhiser, Bailey Breggemann, Sarah Matz, Emma Skerik, Kelli Kennedy, Katherine Torgeson



First Row: Sylvia Tristan, Elise Rogers, Karlye Vallafskey, Kelly Luce, Brianna Lund, Kelsey Daugherty, Maria Spurbeck, Hanna Miyamoto, Amanda Beaulieu; Second Row: Amy Parkinson, Jamie Thomes, Renee Bourgeois, Samantha Kessler, Elizabeth Bourgeois, Sierra Johnson, Haley Sites, Paige Ehalt, Coach Dan Benham



First Row: Katelyn Hatfield, Colleen Grinnell; Second Row: Chantel Austin, Alexandra Elorriaga, Haley Noeldner; Third Row: Morgan Iverson, Brynn Everett, Emily Jaeger, Kendall Meuwissen, Samantha Schmitt; Forth Row: Elizabeth Potente, Melissa Capaul, Steph Dressen, Fiona Demario, Elizabeth Hughes, Coach Melia Archambault

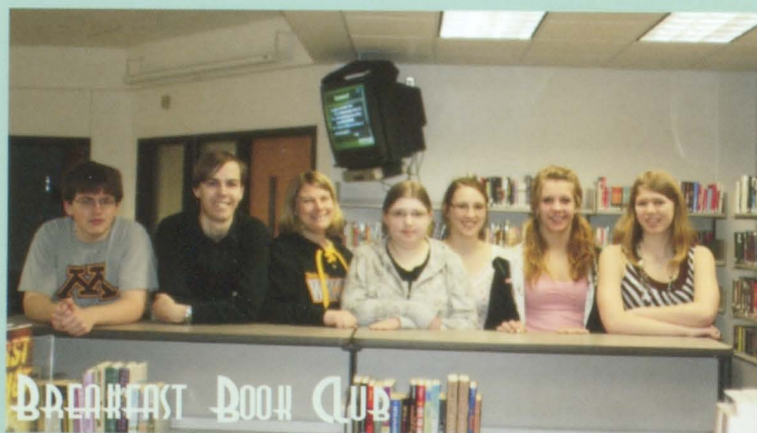


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CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS



First Row: Brittany Van Houtte, Jennifer Cafarella, Kelsey Peters, Kelsey Woodland, Kirsten Lederer, Becky Boughten, Rebecca Hughes, Anna Weitz; Second Row: Maxwell Herrera, Luke Kassmeyer, Marisa Melchert, Abigale Christenson, Paige Weiland, Amanda Beaulieu, Scarlett Sterner, Kaitlyn Heenie, Larkin Scholla, Chaneen Haler; Third Row: David Niaz, Kristin Stivers, Joey Luder, Ryan Christensen, Lisa Kittleson, Christine Leonard, Taylor Helle, Hanna Wille, Maria Spurbeck, Victoria Haler



First Row: Daniel Mueller, Jacob Matz, Advisor Melissa Weinand, Ariel Shane, Colleen Halloran, Christine Leonard, Dawn Miller



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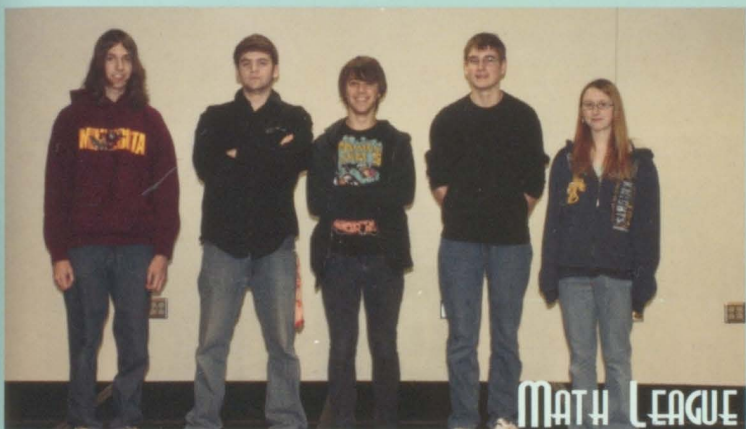
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First Row: Emily Moore, Mason Stiller, Tucker Pruden, Spencer Stiller; Second Row: Daniel Mueller, Nicholas Reinke, Anthony Luedloff, Matthew Allen Johnson, Cody Dahl



John Mahoney, Jacob Stahn, Gunnar Sipper, Joshua Hiltbrand, Erica Anderson



First Row: Rachel Weitz, Cynthia Weinand, Larkin Scholla, Autumn Ament, Kasha McKinster, Autumn Ament, Ariel Shane; Second Row: Carl Mathwig, Garrett Aalfs, Theodore Gilliam, Alex Gilliam, Angie Carner, Noah McCourt



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BABY PICTURES



Jacob Ehreich
From a cute little boy to a well rounded young man, make all your dreams come true. Hugs, Dad, Mom and Cody



Matt Carson
We love you and are so proud of how you've used your God-given talents. Thank you for being an awesome son and brother. Always strive to be your best and know we are with you every step of the way! Love and prayers, Dad, Mom and Nick



Kerry Hayes
Kerry, I'm so proud of you and excited for you to experience college and this next phase of your life. Have fun, be safe, study hard, don't forget to call your mother. "On My Way, 'Careful'. I love you Kerrs, Yo Mama

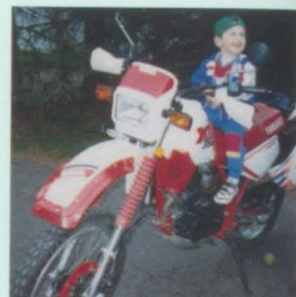
Reese Weber
Our Dear Reese, Your spirit and energy is contagious: Continue using your gifts to better you and others. We feel so blessed you are our son. Love, Mom and Dad



Kera Jones
Congratulations! "Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined." - Henry David Thoreau. Kera, you are so beautiful inside and out. We are very proud of you now and forever. Love, Mom, Dad, Jordyn and Aleah



Welsey Mason Willow
Is that a Yamaha? Look at that knowing smile! At age two, you already knew what you wanted in life! We wish you all the best as you head to MMI-Orlando. Your path has been paved! Love, Mom, Dad and Keenan



Bethany Aeling
Bethany, You are definitely one of a kind! Everyone loves your energy, spirit, humor and your kind and accepting love for all! We love you honey - you will always be our Betty-Lou. You will do GREAT in everything you do! Love, Mom, Dad and Eric



Nicole White
It has and always be an honor being your mother. It's amazing how much you have grown and matured, I am proud of you, you go mis thang. Proud of you, Mom



Laurel Pierson
We are so proud of your accomplishments! Good Luck at K State!! Love, Mom, Dad, Tyler and Spencer

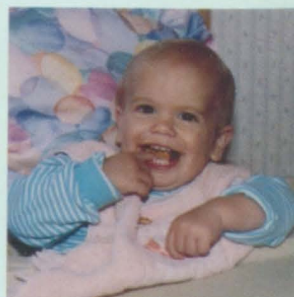
Addy Scrimgeour
Believe in yourself! Most turns you've taken at life's crossroads have been good ones. I know as you become older you will see more diversity. You will learn there are many options down the road. Comfort is good and will always be there. Risks are sometimes hard but I believe you will make good choices as you experience the world. Love Always, Mac and Cheese, Mom and Dad



Tyler Burmeister
Warm memories flash before us at your graduation milestone. No matter where life leads, you will always fill our hearts with pride and joy. Love, Mom, Dad, Kelsey and Meghan



Michael Brown
Mike, We've enjoyed watching you grow into a wonderful young man who is capable of many things. You have brought us great joy! Go forward and follow your heart. Love, Dad, Mom and Cal





Shane Segner
Shane, We are so proud of you and your accomplishments. We wish you the very best in your future endeavors. Love, Mom, Dad, Rianna and Louie



Alec Johnson
We are so proud of you. We know you will succeed in your journey ahead. We love you so much and will always support you as you fulfill your dreams. "Age quod ager." Love, Mom, Dad and Sierra



Katie Schuman
Kate: Everything you want in this world.. is right outside your comfort zone! Love ya, Dad, Mom, Ryan and Kayla

Jordan Lowell
From our first child we have watched you grow through all of the ups and downs into a caring young man, a wonderful son and the best big brother. Love, Dad, Midian, Kayla, Jenna, Aidan and Austin



Anthony McMahon
We hope your dreams take you to the corner of your smiles, to the highest of your hopes, to the windows of your opportunities, and to the most special places your heart has ever known. Love, Mom, Dad and Katie



Pete Brettingen
Congratulations Pete. We are so proud of you. Keep smiling and enjoy the journey. Wishing you health, happiness, and success. Love you, Mom, Dad, Ben and Lauren

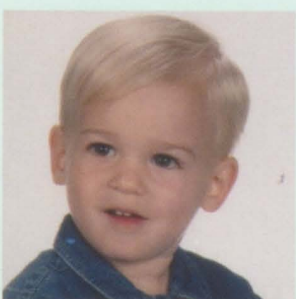


Dacotah Kirsten Smith
From the first day you brought us more joy than we could have imagined, now it's time to share that joy with the world! Love, Your Family



Brandy Schultz
May all your dreams come true. We love you, Mom and Dad P.S. Buy Ford not Chevy :)

Patrick Logelin
Dear Patrick, We wish you a life of much joy and fulfilled dreams. We are so very proud of everything you are. With Love, Mom, Dad, Stephen and Kevin



Kari Anderson
Care Bear, You are our sunshine. You make us proud everyday. Love Mom and Dad



Thomas Morimoto
The youngest of four and so much more. We are confident you will take your quiet wisdom into the future and do great things. Stay strong and confident. You will always be our Tom Tom. Love, Mom and Dad



Dillon Pomeroy
You have a smile that can warm a room, a caring heart that makes others comfortable, and a natural desire to want to succeed. Continue to live life with grace and curiosity and you will reach all of your goals! Love, Mom, Dad and Cameron



Ellie Brueggemeier
You have been a blessing to us. We are so proud of you, always have been and always will be. This is the start of great times. Stay your sweet, ambitious self. Love, Dad, Mom, Faith, Betsy and Jesse

Nicole & Kara Wynstecker

What an incredible journey so far! We have enjoyed watching you develop into beautiful, strong, intelligent young ladies. We are so proud of you both of you and love you with all your hearts! Dad, Mom and Rachel



Jesse Conkey
Me and my bud Chuck.



Stephanie McGinn

Steph: You have grown up to become a confident, independent, beautiful young lady who can achieve whatever you set your mind to. We love you, Dad, Mom, Jess and Scout



Carly Stockert

We can't handle how fast you grew up. You have made us very proud along the way. Always remember - You can accomplish anything that you want to! Love, Mom, Dad and Tony



Jessi DeLacy

Congratulations! We know you could do it. You are such a wonderful, amazing and beautiful person. Always smile and never give up on your dreams. Love Always, Cynthia, David, Jerry, Jen, Stephen, Taylor, Taylor Marie, Mom and Daddy Steve

Alyssa Hennen

"Excellence is never an accident; it is always the result of high intention, sincere effort, intelligent direction, skillful execution and the ability to see obstacles as opportunities." - Unknown. We love you to the moon and back! Mom, Dad, Matthew, Nicholas and Jeffrey



Emily Hansen

Emmie girl, We love you! You'll always be our sunshine! Hugs! Love you! Mom, Dad, Sarah and Jack



Cole Midthun

Hey Big Bro, thanks for being such a great brother and friend. We have the best times together and I'm sure they will continue. GOOD LUCK! Love Megs



Tyler Gunnufson

You fill our house with love and laughter. Believe in yourself and you will succeed! We love you and you are very proud of us! Love, Mom, Dad and Kelsie



Kirsten Lederer

Congratulations on your achievements. We are so proud of you and can't wait to see what the next chapter will bring. Love you, Mom, Dad and Ryan. "Wherever you go, go with all your heart." - Confucius



Daniel Leifermann

"Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind." - Dr. Seuss Dan - We wish you success and happiness in all that you pursue. Love, Mom, Dad, Steve and Matt

Dane Aadland

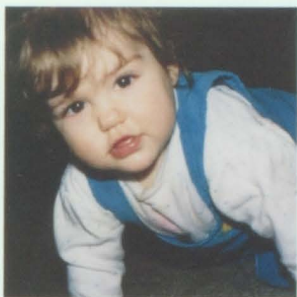
It has been an amazing 18 years. You have brought us many smiles and much happiness. We are truly blessed to have you as our son. Go forth and enjoy life, it's an incredible journey. You are loved, Mom, Dad, and Devin



Nicole Fladung

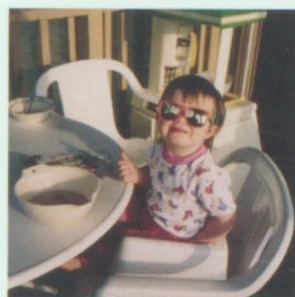
Cole, The sweet Bright Light you shown us then, shines even brighter now. Your future, no doubt will be extraordinary! With love, Your biggest fans, Dad, Mom and Cassie





Alana Lamkin

From the moment you entered the world you have brought joy into our lives. You are talented in so many ways - your singing and art. You are our sunshine. Mom, Dad and Eva



Kelsey Brennan

We've had fun watching you grow up to be a beautiful young lady that we are so proud of. Enjoy life! Love, Mom, Terry, Amy and Haley

Kelsey Peters

Kelsey, We are so proud of the strong, independent, woman you have become; strong in your values and in your faith. You constantly amaze us in what you are able to achieve. Love, Mom, Dad and Marshall



Brian McAvoy

Don't go through life without "goals" - play hockey. Life is about the journey, enjoy yours. Attitude is everything! We love you, Mom, Dad and Catherine



Allison Armstrong

We are so proud of you. It has been a joy watching you grow into a beautiful young woman. Be happy, be safe and believe in yourself. You have a bright and wonderful future ahead of you. We love you, Mom, Dad and Eric



Jordan Reeve

You are a wonderful gift. We are so blessed to enjoy your sweet and joyful spirit. Love, Mom, Dad and Morgan



Tiffany Johnson

We are very proud of you and the person you have become and remember a dream is a wish come true. Love, Mom and Dad



Jesse Sterner

Jesse, You are so special to us. We have loved watching you grow up and seeing the person you have become. We are so proud and excited to see what lies ahead. Love always, Mom and Dad

Samantha Broeckert

We can't believe how fast the time has gone by. You have grown into a strong, beautiful young lady. It's time to move to the next chapter in your life. Love, Mom, Dad and Kenny



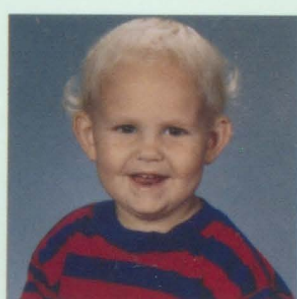
Michael Murray

It's hard to believe that this chapter of your life is almost over. It's been a joy watching you grow up. Can't wait to see where your journey takes you! Love Always, Mom, Dad, Trent and Connor



Danny Fischbach

It has been a joy watching you grow into such a great young man. You make us proud everyday! You will go far in life because you know how to balance hard work with having fun. Don't forget! Love, Mom and Dad



Joey Sandholm

"There are only two lasting bequests we can hope to give our children. One is roots; the other, wings." - Holding Carter
You have your roots, now it's time to try your wings. We're proud of you. Love, Mom and Dad



Lisa Rasmussen

We are so proud of you. You are an amazing daughter. Dream Big Lisa! Everything is possible if you believe in yourself. We love you! You will always be our little Sunshine! Love, Mom and Dad

Cassidy Stumm

My how the adorable little girl has grown into a beautiful young lady, we are all so proud of you and we know we will continue to make us proud in the future. Love, Dad, Pam and Grandma



Cassidy Rae Stumm

You are an amazing daughter and we are so proud of all that you have accomplished. May all your dreams come true! Love, Mom, Steve and Lily



Shelby Schmidt

From your kindergarten giggles to your graduation grins you have brought great joy to our family Shelby. We are proud of the beautiful young lady you are! Congratulations! Love you, Mom and Dad



Claire Perkins

We have loved every minute of watching you grow into a beautiful young woman. Your spirit uplifts everyone around you. Over all else, keep your joy and faith. We love you very much. Love, Mom and Dad



Mandi Schmidt

Mandi, Our little princess all grown up! We are so proud of you. We love you very much. Love, Mom, Dad, Courtney, Alex and Katie

John Mahoney
We are so proud of the young man you have become! You have such a bright future and we look forward to watching you succeed in whatever you do. Enjoy this next phase in your life! Love, Mom, Dad and Mary



Blake Njos

Congratulations to a son who couldn't be loved more. You are loved for: The curious little boy you were, the kind, relaxed man you are now and the precious son you will always be! Love, Mom



Katie Grinnell

You are such a fun, spunky girl! We love you and are proud of you. We know you'll achieve your goals and dreams. May God bless you as you venture out! Love, Dad and Mom



Kelsey Woodland

Kels, I can't believe my lil sis is a senior! I'm so proud of everything you do and how you push yourself. I'll always be here for you, but I'm pretty sure you can take care of yourself! Love you, your big bro, Gavin



Chelsea Wickenhauser

We are so proud of everything you have accomplished in school, sports and with your horse. Everything you did showed us how much determination you have! I know that determination will help you face many challenges you encounter in the future. Keep it strong. Much Love, Mom, Dad and Connor



Tanner DeLange

Congratulations Tanner! Reach for the stars! We are so proud of you. Love you, Dad, Mom and your brothers

Alexandra Harder

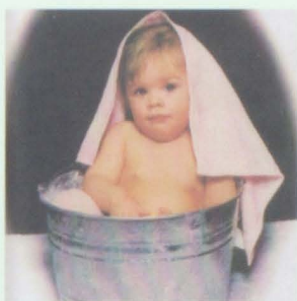
With a sparkle in your eye and a beautiful smile on your face, you spread love and joy with unending grace. We are so grateful to have you in our lives. Love, Mom and Dad



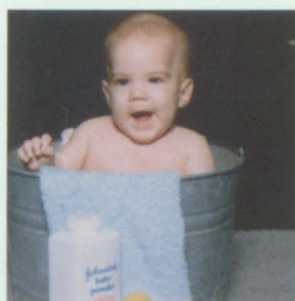
Leah Christensen

Leah, We will miss you! Call home often! We love you! Dad, Mom, Stacy and Kayla





Kayla Krause
Congratulations to the baby of the family. May all of your dreams come true. We are so proud of you. Love, Mom and Dad



Brandon Albert Peterson
Congratulations Baby Boy! Who would have thought that you never wore your pants then, and you still wear them now. I'm very proud of you! Love Mommy

Ashley Walter
You've come a long way since the first day of Pre-School. We are very proud of who you've become. We wish you success in life and hope all your dreams come true. Love, Dad, Mom and Andrew



Timmy Watts
What a delight you have been in our lives. You are such an awesome son! You make us proud to be parents! Your future is bright. We love you. Dad, Mom and Whitney



Rachel Carlsted
We have watched you grow from a precious little girl into the lovely young lady that you are today! We are so proud of your many accomplishments, your positive attitude and your steadfast love of God. With all our love, Mom, Dad, Emily and Liz



Britta Rinke
You bring us great JOY! We love you. Mom, Dad, Everett and Trina



Brittany Van Houtte
Bean: We are so proud of you. Your care and compassion for others has shaped you into an extraordinary young woman. God surely has big plans for you. We love you. Mom, Dad, Lexie and Isaiah



Zach Runyon
We enjoy being with you, listening to you, and laughing with you. Be yourself. Set your goals high. You have the brightest future. You will succeed in whatever you choose to do. We love you. Mom and Dad

Javier E. Flores
Javi, We are so proud of you. You have become a handsome young man. We will be there for you and support you in everything. You're the best. We love you, Mom and Dad



Caitly Krieg
From the day you came into our lives you have brought us joy and laughter. We are so proud of the lovely young woman you have become. Never give up your hopes and dreams and remember that we are always here for you. Love, Mom, Dad, Ryan, Brendon and Lindsay



Missy Geiszler
"Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind." - Dr. Suess. Thanks for all the great memories! You can do anything you set your mind to! We are very proud of you! Love you always, Mom and Dad



Alli Dunkelberger
Als Bals Puddin' and Pals. We're so proud of you Alli! Love, Mom, Dad, Ashley and Brent



Danielle Williams
Your determination and passion for life has always amazed and inspired us. Continue striving to be your best, and your dreams will come true. One life, one change... Love, Mom, Dad, Maxx and Makayla

Emily Ludwigson

To our beautiful young lady: You've been such a blessing in our life. Go out there and spread your wings! May your light always shine through, and your smile warm someone's day! We love you very much. Mom and Dad



Logan Sohns

Logan, As you reach for your dreams, your integrity, humble nature and compassionate soul will be the foundation for your successes. You will challenge the world and make a difference. Enjoy the journey! You are our hero and we love you to pieces "B"! Love, Mom, Dad and Garret



Dennis Mila

Congratulations Dennis! We just wanted you to know that we are so proud of you and that we love you. We will always remember your big smile on your first day of kindergarten. We love you and hope you do well in college. Love, Mom and Dad



Samantha Niccum

May your dreams have wings to take you on a great adventure in life. We hope for a successful and most of all a happy future for you. We're very proud of you. We love you, Mom, Dad and Timothy



Christina Marie Marceau

You are a darling little girl who will undoubtedly make her mark in this world. Your enthusiasm, dedication and endurance are remarkable and we can't wait to see where your future takes you. The sky is the limit! We love you more than words can express. Mom, Dad, Caroline and Catherine

Sarah Farlow

Keep Smiling. Love you, Mom, Dad, Greg, Megan and Laura



Justin Spurbek

Justin, We are very proud of you and the goals you have achieved! Keep up the good work and you'll go far and reach your dreams! Love, Mom Dad



Eric Jones

You have grown into quite the young man. You've been a joyful addition to this family and we are very proud of you. We wish you all the best. Love, Mom and Dad



April Daley

In touching hearts, impacting everyday life with your priceless disposition my heart is overwhelmed - You contribute such amazing happiness in generous amounts. So for your life journey my hopes are for you that in each path you take maintain that melody in your heart, and the Lord as your coach. Love, Mom, Aaron and Amanda



Jessica Ruth Rice

"Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened." - Dr. Seuss



Madeline Asbjomson

Scraped nose and knees, stung by bees. Swallowed pop tab, breaks and sprains. Wakeboarding and volleyball, white trees so tall. Smile always there, bringing joy everywhere. You're a wonderful young lady. We love you Maddie! Mom, Dan, Amy, Katie, Molly and Shea

Kelsey Wenning

We have so enjoyed the wonderful journey of life with you as our daughter. It has been so fulfilling and rewarding to watch you grow and become the beautiful person you are. We love you so much and pray that you will enjoy health and happiness as you take the next steps of life. Love, Mom, Dad and Carl



Jake Vipond

Thank you for filling our lives with love and laughter, you are such a joy. We know God has great plans for you. Keep your faith strong and enjoy this gift of life. Love, Mom, Dad, Sam and Marae

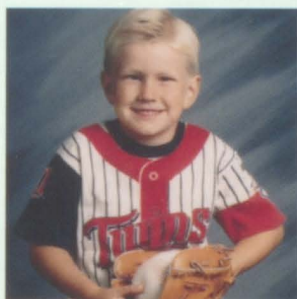




Trevor Horing
Trevor, Be humble and follow your heart's passions! You're a blessing. Love, Dad, Mom and Mariah



Erica Karels
We are so proud of the beautiful woman that replaces the cute little girl you once were. Now it's time to make all your adult dreams come true but never forget the sweet dreams of childhood. Love, Mom and Dad



Nicholas Allen
You'll always be my Peanut and Superstar. I can't wait to see you achieve your dreams. I love you with all my heart. Special hugs and kisses from Grandma and Grandpa from heaven. Love, Mom

Kylie Zawada
I am so proud of the young lady you have become and I know you have a great future ahead of you. These years have gone by way too fast!! Love you Always, Mom



Gunnar Sipper
We're so proud of you and all your accomplishments. Follow your dreams and what makes you happy. Love, Mom, Dad, Megan and Libby



Elizabeth Nord
From a smiling baby, to sassy toddler, to sweet little girl, to spunky teenager, to a sensational young lady. We are very proud of you and we love you very much! Mom, Katie, Joe and Dad

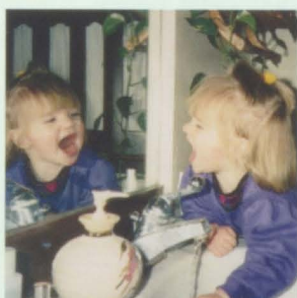


Charlie Smothers
"Life isn't about finding yourself. Life is about creating yourself." - George Bernard Shaw. Time has gone so quickly and you have grown into a wonderful young man. We love you and are so proud to be your parents. Mom and Dad



Mercedes Bratsch
Don't let the world change you, you help change the world. Live, love, dream and work hard, and you will have it! We are proud of you and love you tons. Dad, Mom, Damie and Kenzie

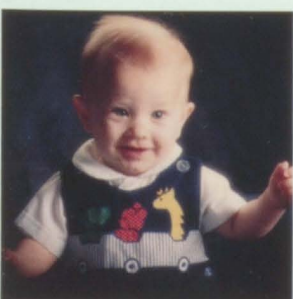
Emily Mueller
Emily, You have grown into a beautiful, talented young lady! We are so proud of you and your accomplishments. We are sure you'll be very successful in the future. Follow your dreams! Love, Mom, Dad, Jake and Kelsey



Nicole Gregory
From a tricycle to a dirt bike, hairstylist to an auto mechanic, dancer, to an airplane pilot... You'd better put those sunglasses on baby; the future looks bright for you... Whatever you choose! Love, Mom and DeeDee



Anna Shaw
A.J. - Life is not a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a pretty and well preserved body, but rather to skid in broadside, thoroughly used up, totally worn out, and proclaiming, "Wow what a ride!" When life gives you music Anna - Choose to dance. We love you, Mom, John and Garrett



James Russell
Jimmy, It may be the end of senior year, but that's the only "end" in this relationship! We have so many memories that will never be forgotten. We love you so much, and we are so proud of you. We are always here for you. Never forget that! :) Your loves, Cait and Nicole :)



Emma Wabbe
Emma - Always happy, full of energy, laughing or screaming with excitement, you simply have always just loved life. You have a very special gift to give others, a caring soul and a loving heart. We are very proud of our baby girl! Love, Mom, Dad, David and Hanna



Whitney Hart
It has been an awesome 18 years - We love you!! Mom, Dad, Natalia and Patrick



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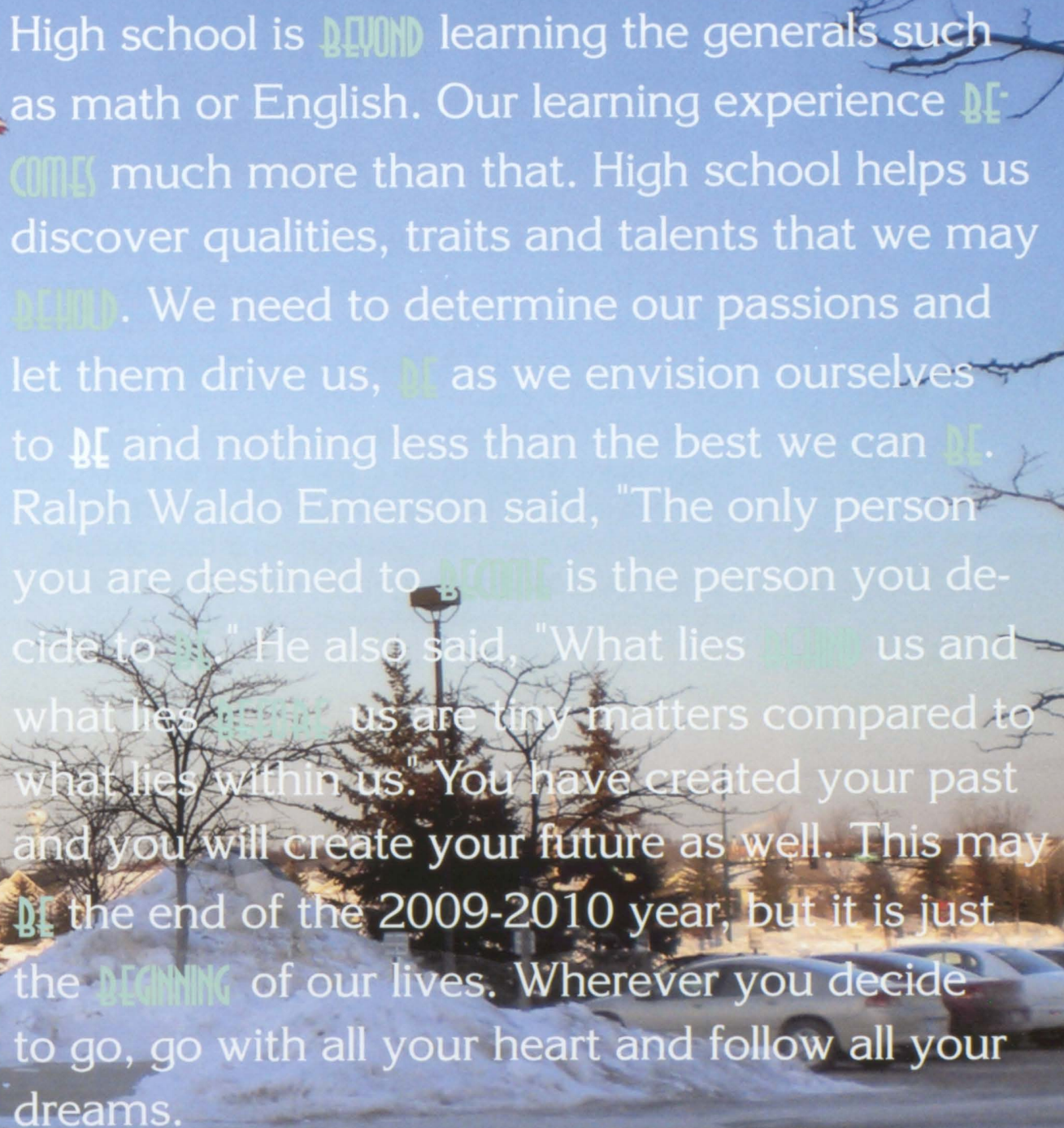


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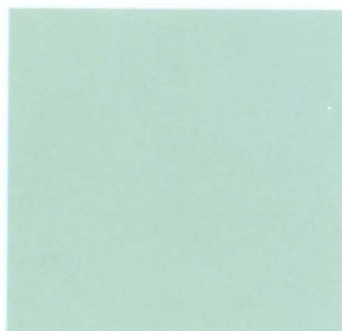
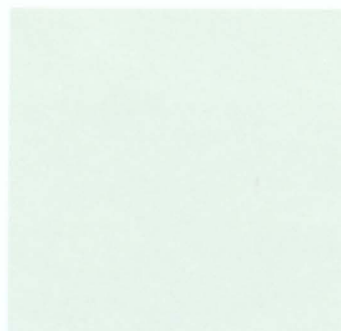
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High school is **BEYOND** learning the generals such as math or English. Our learning experience **BE- COMES** much more than that. High school helps us discover qualities, traits and talents that we may **BEHOLD**. We need to determine our passions and let them drive us, **BE** as we envision ourselves to **BE** and nothing less than the best we can **BE**. Ralph Waldo Emerson said, "The only person you are destined to **BECOME** is the person you decide to **BE**." He also said, "What lies **BEHIND** us and what lies **BEFORE** us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us." You have created your past and you will create your future as well. This may **BE** the end of the 2009-2010 year, but it is just the **BEGINNING** of our lives. Wherever you decide to go, go with all your heart and follow all your dreams.

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We were all really excited about being editors for the 2009-2010 yearbook. We started planning out the book in late August when we quickly discovered our theme. After choosing our theme, the fonts, colors and layouts were chosen.

Yearbook is not just an "easy A" class that you can take. Being editors, we had to put in a lot of time and effort, and it can be very stressful. We had a lot of responsibilities including fixing pages and getting spreads done on time. Though it can be very stressful, we editors have a lot of fun, and we enjoy seeing the progression of the book.

After high school we are going to all go our separate ways. Editor-in-Chief Maddie Asbjornson will be attending the University of Nebraska-Lincoln where she will either be majoring in journalism or architecture. Editor Nicole Fladung will be going to school at the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point where she will be majoring in graphic design. Allyson Klitzke, who was also an editor this year, will be going to South Central Technical College and majoring in dental assisting.

We hope everyone enjoys the book.

