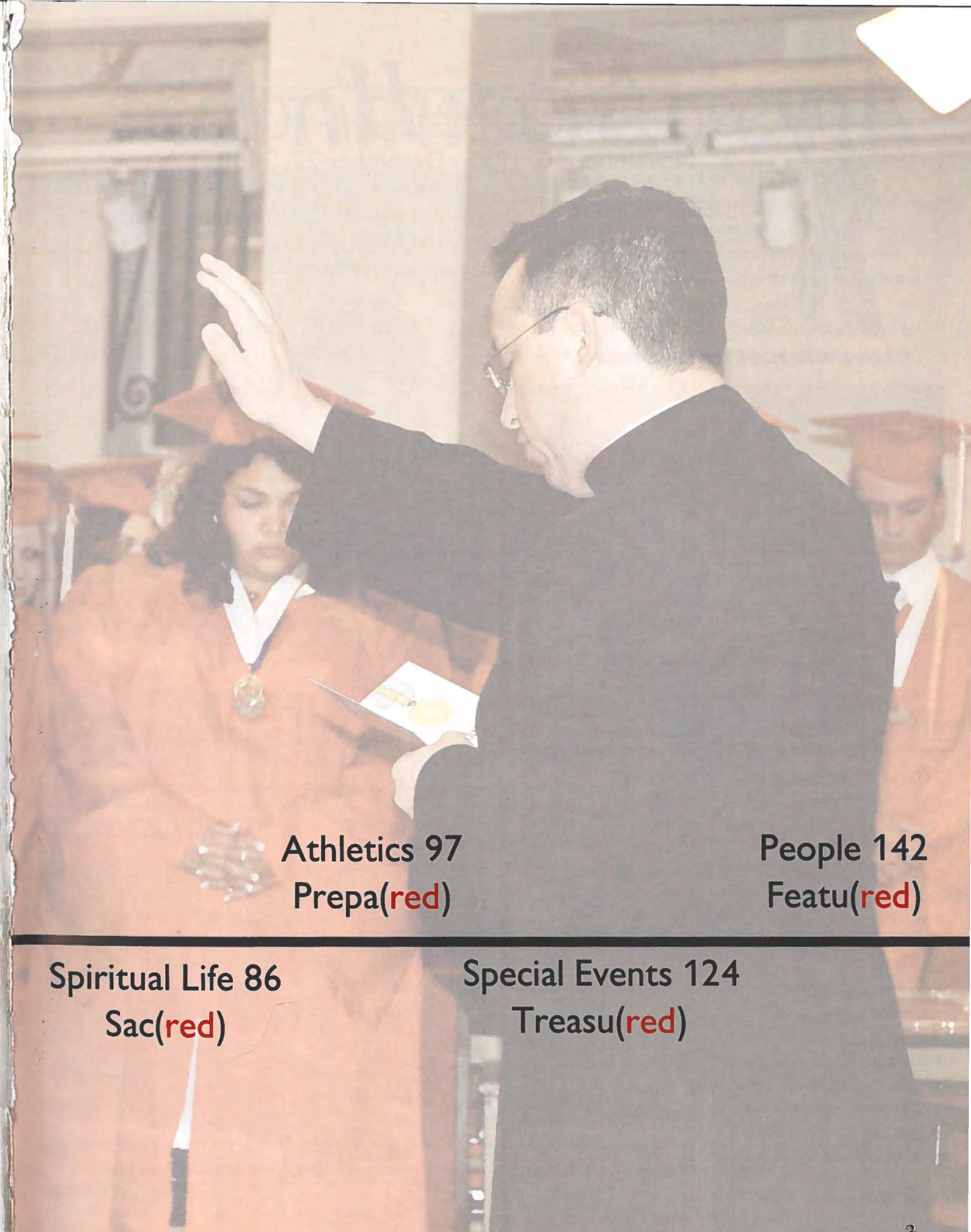

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Anyssa Nicole Hinojosa

November 10, 1992 - December 22, 2009



Because she inspired, changed, and moved our lives, this yearbook is proudly dedicated to Anyssa Nicole Hinojosa, who will always be in the heart of Incarnate Word Academy.

“Love will hold us together...”



You can shed tears that she is gone,
or you can smile because she has lived.
You can close your eyes and pray that she'll come back,
or you can open your eyes and see all she's left.
Your heart can be empty because you can't see her,
or you can be full of the love you shared.
You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday,
or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.
You can remember her only that she is gone,
or you can cherish her memory and let it live on.
You can cry and close your mind,
be empty and turn your back.
Or you can do what she'd want:
smile, open your eyes, love and go on.”

-David Harkins

Anyssa was loving and caring and it showed every day in her family life and with her friends. She made a difference in others' lives, especially along with her mother Beckie Hinojosa on the 2009 Mission Trip to Galveston.



Administration



Deep in the heart of Incarnate Word Academy lies a team of workers who finance, market, and maintain the facilities of the school: they are the central administration. The administration does its best to keep the school up and running, working hard in everything they do. Dedicating their lives to this school, they inspire all who look up to them. With perseverance, they help create an atmosphere in Incarnate Word to make learning possible and Christian living vital. The students and teachers are supported by the administration who truly bring a big portion of the structure utilized within the school. Special thanks and appreciation go to Sister Anna Marie Espinosa, President of

Incarnate Word Academy, who served nine years focusing on the mission of Incarnate Word Academy. We will remember the remarkable years she leaves behind and will always cherish her heart for Incarnate Word Academy.

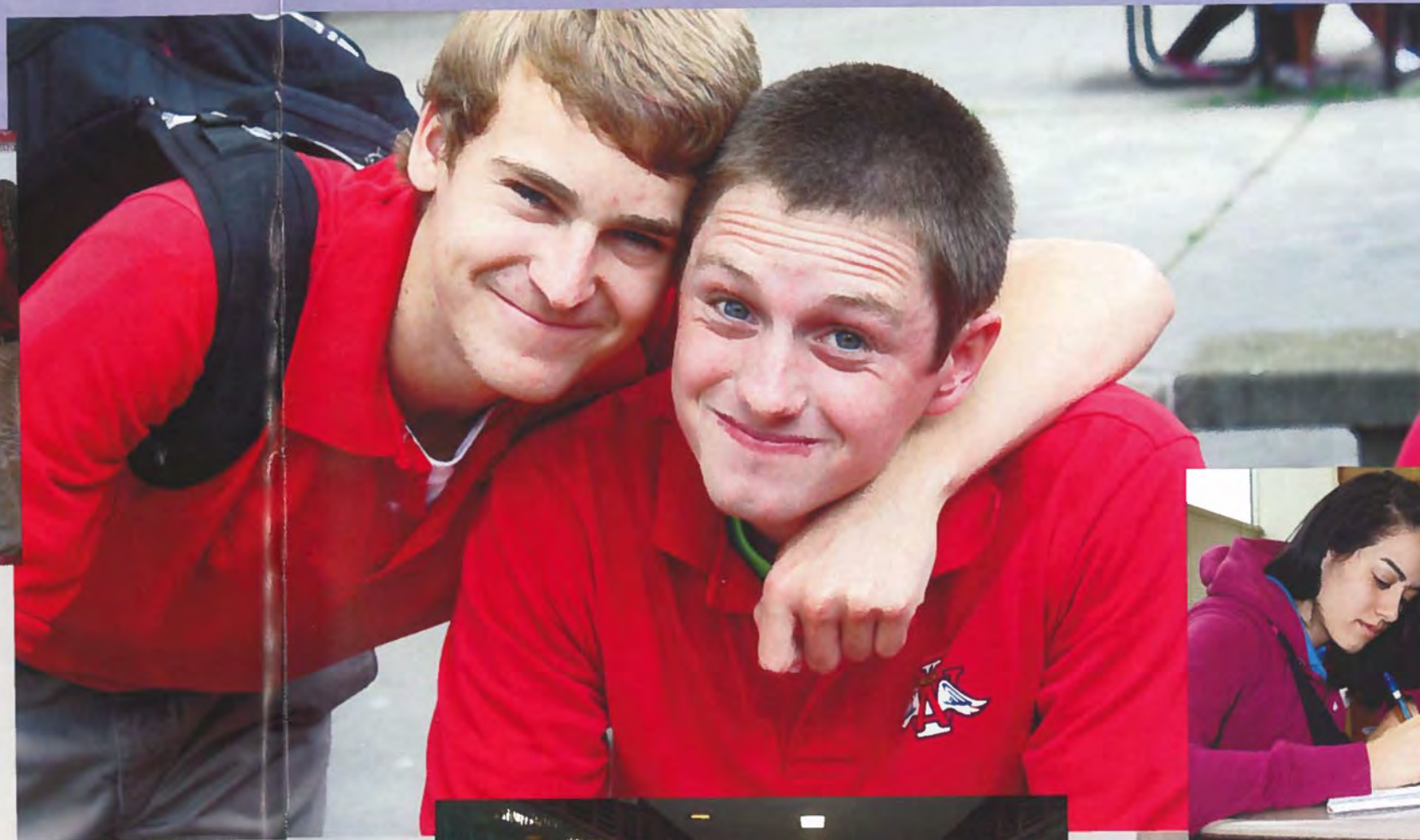


“I have had a great joy of witnessing your children grow up before my eyes in wisdom and grace before God. Educating your children is our sacred trust, a personal journey, and a treasured experience.”

-Sister Anna Marie Espinosa

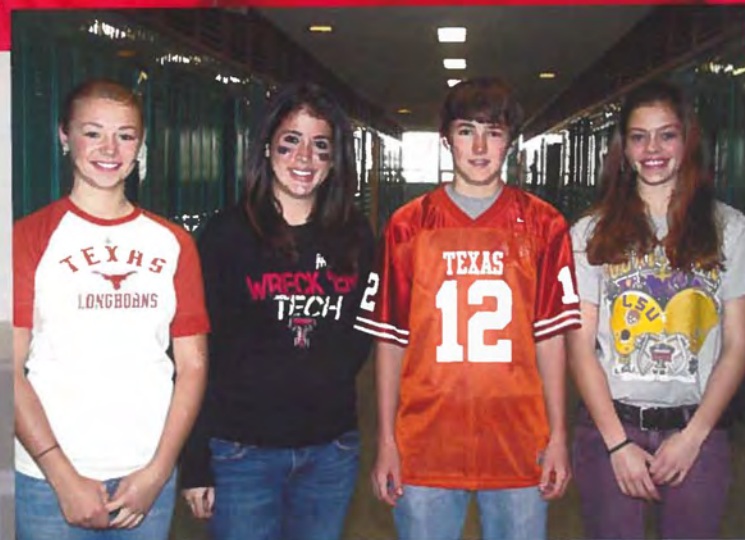
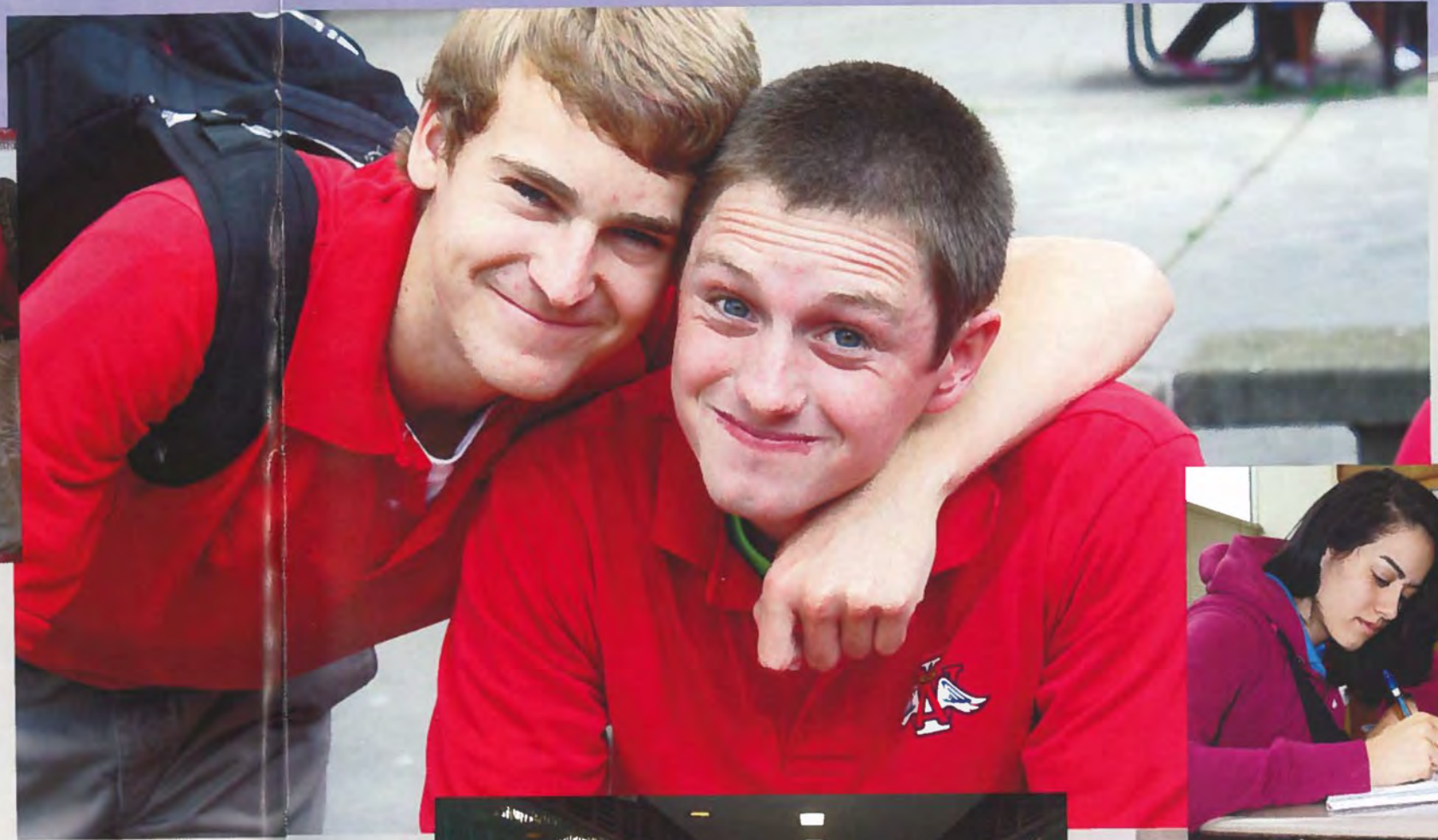
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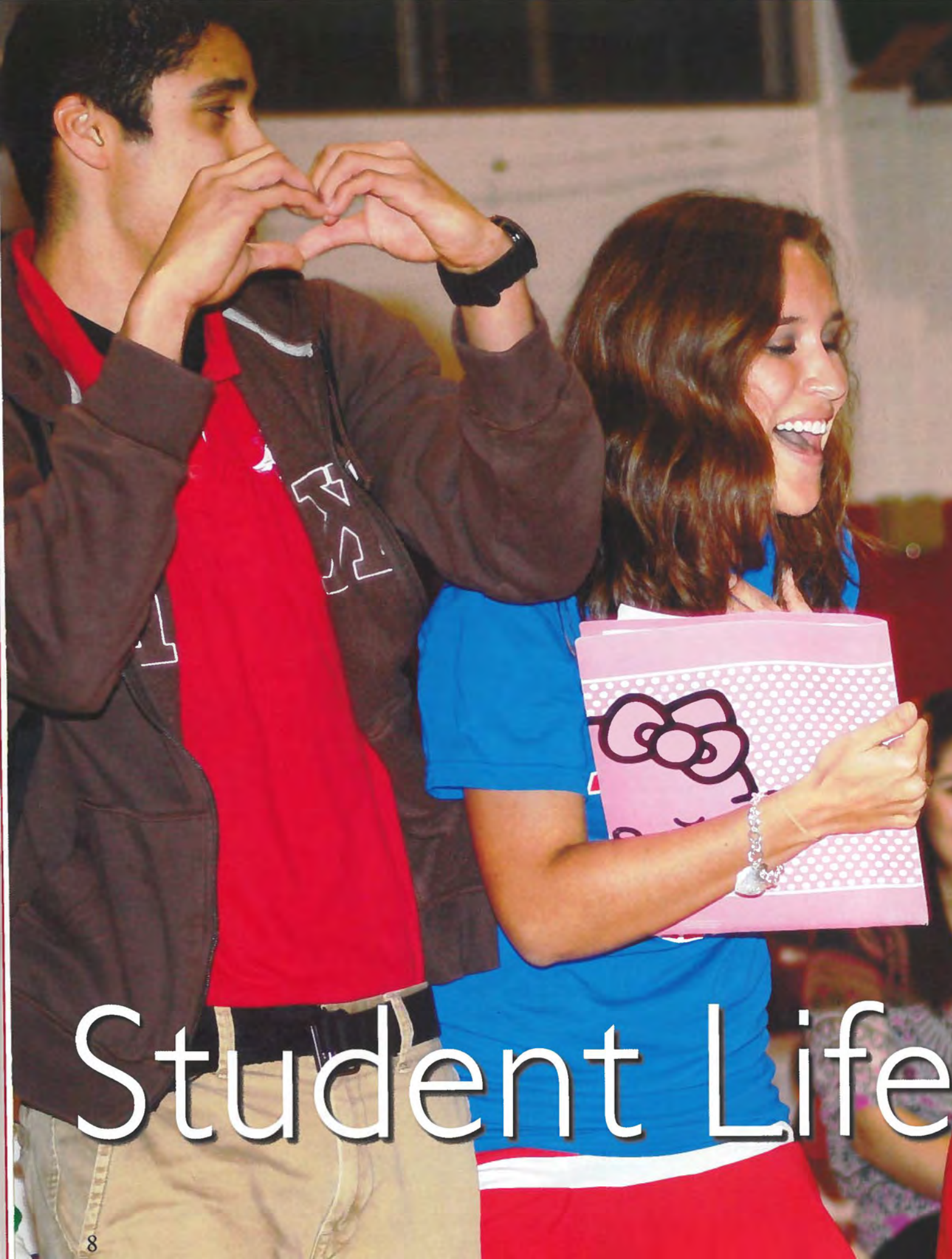
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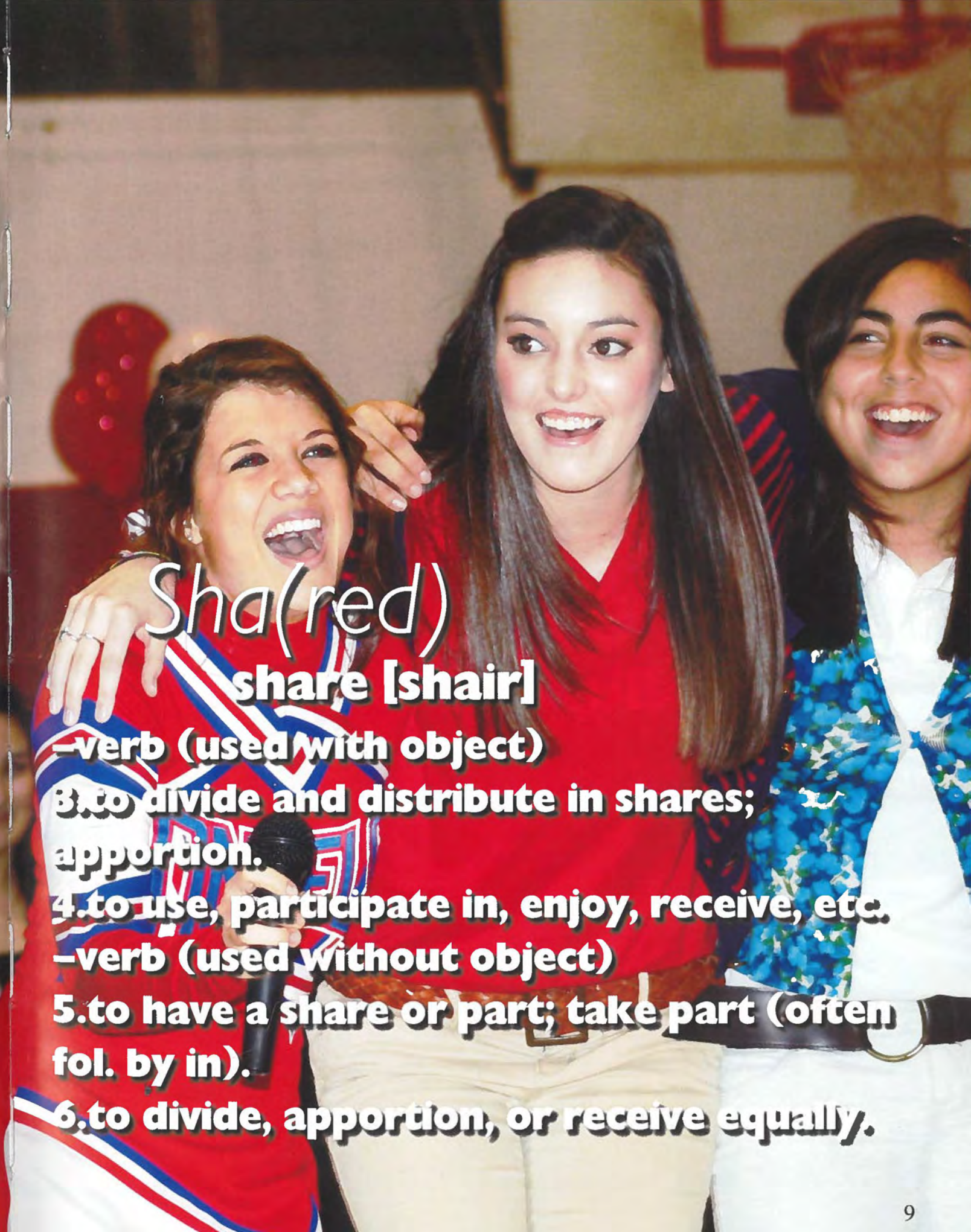
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Student Life



Sha(red)

share [shair]

-verb (used with object)

3. to divide and distribute in shares; apportion.

4. to use, participate in, enjoy, receive, etc.

-verb (used without object)

5. to have a share or part; take part (often fol. by in).

6. to divide, apportion, or receive equally.

Burning of the A

Below: Seniors Angela Trevino, Hillary Pena, and Stephanie Rivas laughing and having a good time .



Left: Marianne Medina, Bethany Kroeger, and Erika Magdadaro celebrate their senior year together.



Sophomores, Christina Robertson and Clara Marti pose together to capture a memory.



Left: Our cheerleaders gather together after their performance at the Burning of the A.



The ceremonial burning of the "A" during Favorites Week has been a staple in IWA tradition for as long as everyone can remember. Students huddle together on the cold February night to celebrate their school spirit and to bond over their achievements. This is a tradition that will continue on for the following generations to come.



Left: With a smile, Sophomores Lauren Cabello, Laura Flores, Hannah Dodson, Christina Robertson, and Clara Marti gather together for a picture.

Below: Amidst the Pep Rally racket, Sophomore Maria Kroeger and teacher Sister Judith Marie take a minute to smile.



Below: Caught in the spirit of the traditional class cheer, Juniors Alec Cotten and Patrick Hoffman are photographed.



With her sights on the Pep Rally games, Junior Alex Rossi cheers on her fellow classmates.



Leading the crowd in a cheer, the cheerleaders perform a stunt.

Below: Freshman cheerleader Alyssa Gentry demonstrates how practice makes perfect while performing her flawless stunt.



Dressed up in red, Sophomores Sarah Green and Julia Baker show their school spirit.

Pep Rallies



Senior Alex Solis carefully tries to "mummify" teacher Mr. Penley to win the contest.

What is a school without spirit? Students at Incarnate Word Academy **SHARE** the experience of school spirit through pep rallies. They not only share school spirit, but partake in tradition. Spirit contests between classes, "the Senior yell", and games are just a few examples of those traditions. Everything begins with spirit at Incarnate Word Academy. Whether it is a pep rally to promote our TAPPS Academic team, or a pep rally to kick off a new sport season, the **Cheerleaders know how to get us ready!**



Red Ribbon Week



Senior Ben Sheinberg partakes in "Camo Day"

In February 1985, an intelligent and brave DEA officer gave his life with the hope of teens like us growing up in a world without drugs. Enrique "Kiki" Camarena was kidnapped and brutally murdered by ruthless cartels, and so we honor his sacrifice and continue the fight against drugs every October during Red Ribbon Week.



Juniors Brantly Bright and Kyle Thomas wear their rock t-shirts.



Sophomore Meredith Sico shows off her camouflage.



Ronika Cavazos, Mary Jane Shea, John Medary, Hannah Dodson, and Ana Camarena line up for "Western" day.

Blood Drives

Every two seconds someone in the U.S needs blood, and one donation can help save the lives of three people. Thus, about every two months, Incarnate Word Academy sponsors a blood drive and encourages students, teachers, and the public to donate blood. these drives have been successful because many students, teachers, and parents give blood, which has helped build the city's blood reserve. despite the pain and fear of needles, IWA steps up to help people in need.

To start the year, senior Taylor Van Leeuwen bravely donates blood in our first Blood Drive.



Senior Briana Cox takes time out of her lunch period to donate blood at a school Blood Drive.



With an excited face, senior Jordan Allison shows off the Whataburger coupon she receives for donating blood.



Senior Andrea Ramos volunteers to donate blood at an on-campus blood drive. After donating blood senior Hannah Jarrell eats a snack to make sure her blood sugar does not drop.



At an off-campus blood drive, spirit club members and cheerleaders take time on a Saturday morning to go out and encourage locals to donate blood.



At an on-campus blood drive, senior Grant Seger donates blood while senior Kevin Green points to show his good deed.

Going Green

Anyone and everyone can do something to better our environment. And we as a human race have a natural obligation to be caretakers to this **sha(red)** planet. This year at Incarnate Word Academy, the student body, faculty and staff went the extra mile for good ole mother earth. Aside from participating in the already instituted recycling system at IWA, students and teachers took specific days to conserve energy by using only the absolutely necessary electrical equipment. The students also showed their support by sporting their jeans and green shirts. This united support for a single cause truly goes to show how we all can make a difference as long as everyone does their part. "Never doubt that a small group of people can change the world. Indeed, it is all that ever has." -Margaret Meade.



Sophomores (from left) James Gonzalez and Trey Turner attentively take notes in history class.



Juniors (from left) Joey Hammock, Alex Rossi, J.D. Longoria, and Monica Herbst, can not only be eco-friendly but have fun at the same time.



Sophomores (from top) Laura Flores, Shelby Fincher, Meredith Sico, Zach Pekar, and Amelia Gonzalez, are making a scene while going green.



Sophomore Karly Rodriguez (left) poses for a photo opp with BFF Sophomore Christina Robertson (right).



Sophomores (from left) Samantha Brozo, James Gonzales, Marissa Carreon, Mary Ellen Flood, Jeneava Alvarez, Trey Turner, Regina Salinas, and Cameron Knox lean over so they can all fit in the shot.

Tips for Going Green

1 Take showers not baths. On average, showers use up half as much water as baths.

2 Recycle glass. Glass takes about 1 million years to decompose.

3 Don't rinse before putting plates in the dishwasher. Avoiding the extra rinse will save about 15 gallons a load.



Left: Senior Ben Sheinberg and Sophomore Clara Marti do their daily recycling as the official school recyclers.



A: Seniors (from top) Emily Nye and Marriane Medina love going green; even in physics. B: Oh No! Junior Brantly Bright, don't recycle your good friend, Senior Allie Moore! C: Freshmen (from left) John Bronold, Chandlar Squires, Elizabeth Kirkland and Andrew Thomas stand tall and proud in their green attire.



Left to right: Seniors Frank McMillan, Jordan Allison, and Ronika Cavazos take recycling to whole new extremes.

BRITTANY DONALD enjoys horseback riding.

"I have been very successful in the show ring, but I think the best part of riding is when you and your horse know each other so well that you hardly need to communicate. You do not even need the bridle or saddle. This is what makes the horse and rider a team and I think that is one of the best feelings in the world."

- Brittany Donald



OUTDOOR HOBBIES

The students at Incarnate Word Academy are involved in a wide variety of sports and other outdoor activities, such as hiking and camping. Some students are inspired to explore nature by the plants and animals that interest them and others ride their bicycles around their neighborhood. Some are ready for a dangerous adventure and some enjoy a quiet and relaxing outdoor setting. Some of the students have shared their favorite outdoor activities.

"Life is either a daring adventure - or nothing." – Helen Keller

FRITZ COOK enjoys SCUBA diving.



Fritz goes SCUBA diving three times a year at South Padre Island. His most enjoyable experience is swimming with whale sharks.



Senior Will

Jordan Allison

"I leave behind my ridiculously good looking, red sour patch kids, magnificent rainbows, mermaids, and goofy movies to Ron Burgundy a.k.a. Gilbert"

Ana Camarena leaves behind her Mexicaness to Jorge Leon and Arnoldo Leon.

Trey Buhidar and Trevor Davidson leave their possession of the weight room to Patrick Morales and Joey Hammock.



Rhonnie Embres leaves behind her tennis racket to Monica Herbst and her texting in class to Leandra Lugo.

Ronika Cavazos

"To my soccer girls...kick some grass!! & Please do not over use Gene's name, let's keep it to a minimum!"

Jonathan Groesbeck

"I am leaving Cameron Knox my sarcastic attitude and love of all the teachers. Also to Trey Turner, Cameron Knox, and Patrick Allman, my hard work ethic in baseball and love of Coach Martinez."

Trevor Davidson would like to leave behind his spot in the 800 to John Medary.

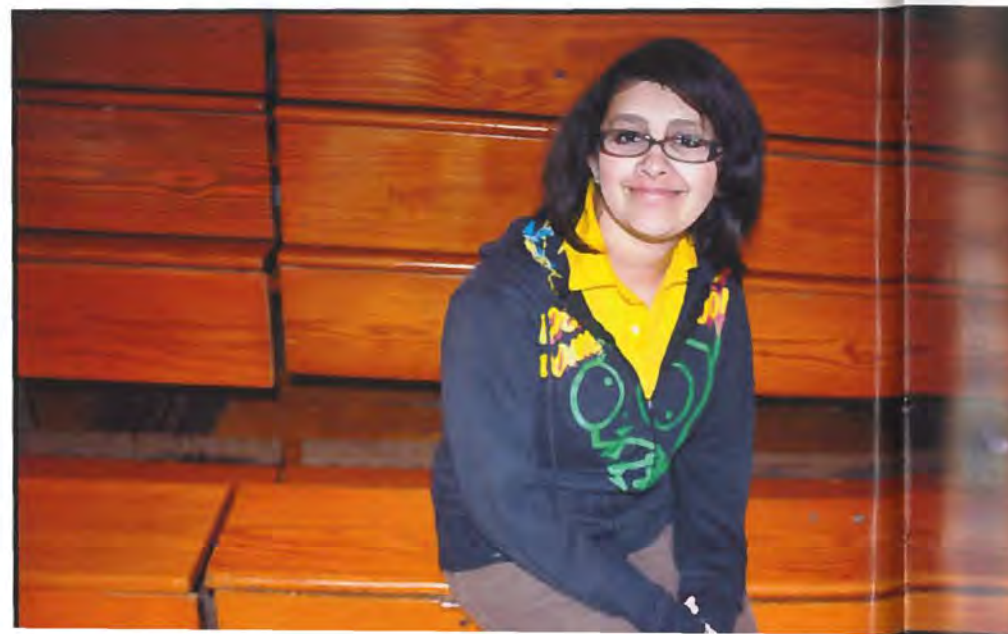
Michael Kozlowski leaves behind his racing flats to E.J. because he never brought his own pair of shoes.

Kevin Green

"I guess I'm just old fashioned, but I am leaving 'behind' my sister. If I did right she will too."

Erich Kerr leaves all the awful razors and his surreptitious texting skills to Corey Kerr.

Eric David Krause leaves behind his Track shoes to Zach Pekar.



Krista Stormy Lopez

"I'm not leaving anything behind, I'm taking everything with me but you can have the lint in my locker. Tee-hee!"



Cody Randall

"I leave behind the oh so deep 3 point shot to E.J. Ysassi and Pat 'Junior' Allman...hopefully at least Pat will be able to use it."

Ben Sheinberg leaves the position of jewish kid to Oscar Schecter.

Angela Treviño leaves behind her ability to see during class with her eyes open and her love for government class with Mr. Penley.

Kristin Mary

Rincon

"I leave behind my artistic skills to the next generation of artists. I wish everyone good luck. You're going to need it!"

Stephanie Rivas leaves behind her locker and government text book to Kourtney Rodriguez.

Alexander Trinidad Solis leaves behind his large collection of cardigans and flannel shirts to E.J. Ysassi.



IWA Celebrates the Year of the Priest



Above: Bishop Michael Mulvey and Father Pete Elizardo pray before distributing communion.

Right: The Sisters of the Incarnate Word sing the "blessing song" to bless an icon that was given to Bishop Michael Mulvey by the Montessori students.



Incarnate Word Academy has many Masses throughout the school year. What would those Masses and other religious celebrations be without the priests who give up time in their busy schedules to celebrate with us? As a community we celebrated the year of the priest with our new Bishop, Michael Mulvey. It was a pleasure to have him and our retired Bishop Edmond Carmody along with 45 other priests celebrate Mass with us.



Above Left: Monsignor Roger Smith and Monsignor Michael Howell sing the communion meditation hymn "You Are A Priest Forever."

Above Right: Bishop Michael Mulvey poses after Mass with Junior Gilbert Rodriguez and Freshman Frank McNiff who were chosen to altar serve at this special Mass.

Left: Retired Bishop Edmond Carmody and Bishop Michael Mulvey process in during the gathering song.



When asked what a student had done that made her laugh the hardest, Mrs. Quintero said that a student's comparison of her and Edna Mode, the Disney character featured in the 2004 film "The Incredibles."

When asked if he knows how to text, Coach Dreyer said that he did but had to text with his pinky finger.



TEACHER POLLS

"A man is but the product of his thoughts what he thinks, he becomes."

-Mohandas Gandhi



Above: Mrs. Hernandez demonstrates a common pose by her hero as a child, Gandhi. Mrs. Hernandez admired Gandhi for his courage and his noble deeds.

Coach Everhart shares with us an interest in karate that she said that students would probably not know about her.



Mrs. Ibarra states that buying and selling products on EBay is her favorite hobby.



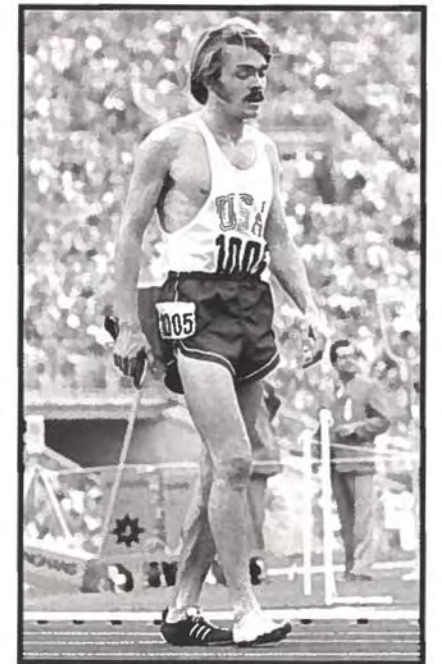
When Art teacher, Mrs. Towers, was asked what her favorite music was, she stated it was Enya.



When Coach Martinez was asked who his childhood hero was he proudly stated it was Coach Darren Dreyer.



When asked who his childhood hero was, Coach Rodriguez claimed that Steve Prefontaine was the man he looked up to.





Siblings

What's your sha(red) experience?

At Incarnate Word Academy we are all a big family, sometimes literally. From sharing toys at age four to sharing lockers now, IWA siblings can be picked out from the crowd. Some have been in school with their sibling paving the way with their younger brother or sister behind them. Some may feel pressured by the competition of their sibling, but either way there is always a sense of family pride and of course of family resemblance.



"Bo hasn't really talked to me this year except to call me an Asian or tell me that Maddie hit him. He ignores me in the hallway, even when I hit him. Our shared journey is pretty independent."

-Rita Acebo



"Being in yearbook together was always fun. We could joke with each other about things that no one else would understand. It was also one of the few times we would see each other at school."

-Garret Cox



"Going to school with my little Sarah is like going to battle with your best friend. It is a shared experience, and it is comforting to know my blood is here with me."

-Kevin Green



"Being in school with my brother shows me a whole different side of him. It makes us closer because I know he has my back and he knows I have his, it's comforting."

-Brittany Garcia



"Kourtney is not only my sister, but my best friend. We share more than just a last name, we share a life. She is truly one of the greatest gifts God has given me."

-Karly Rodriguez



"Despite bringing her lunch when she forgets, her awkward hugs, and messing up her locker, I'm glad I was here to share her first year of high school."

-Kate Kainer

Senioritis

As the year goes on and graduation starts closing in, it's evident that many seniors have succumbed to senioritis. There are many different signs of senioritis including, procrastinating, always being late to class, and constantly thinking about college. Many seniors have shared all these feelings with one another. No matter how much we try to avoid senioritis, it seems to be inevitable for almost all seniors.

Trying his hardest to remain focused, Jeff Bomer sits and listens during Physics class.



Kayla Jones at the College Fair getting excited about graduation.



Here, C.J. Martinez wakes up from a nap after taking advantage of some free time in Ms. Morrow's class.



Elizabeth Robertson looking distracted during Cheer practice as the underclassmen work in their stunt groups.



Above: Studying diligently, Rhonnie Embres peeks over her Health Science homework.



What is senioritis?

When asked to describe what senioritis was, Kayla Jones gave us this insightful definition; "Senioritis-noun. a crippling disease that strikes high school seniors. Symptoms include: laziness, an excessive wearing of old athletic shirts, sweatpants, and sweatshirts. Also features a lack of studying and repeated absences from school. The only known cure...GRADUATION!"



Above, Frank McMillan and Daniel Martinez try to keep their composure while reading The Canterbury Tales.

Left, Jonathan Groesbeck showing us the "correct" way to do the homework.

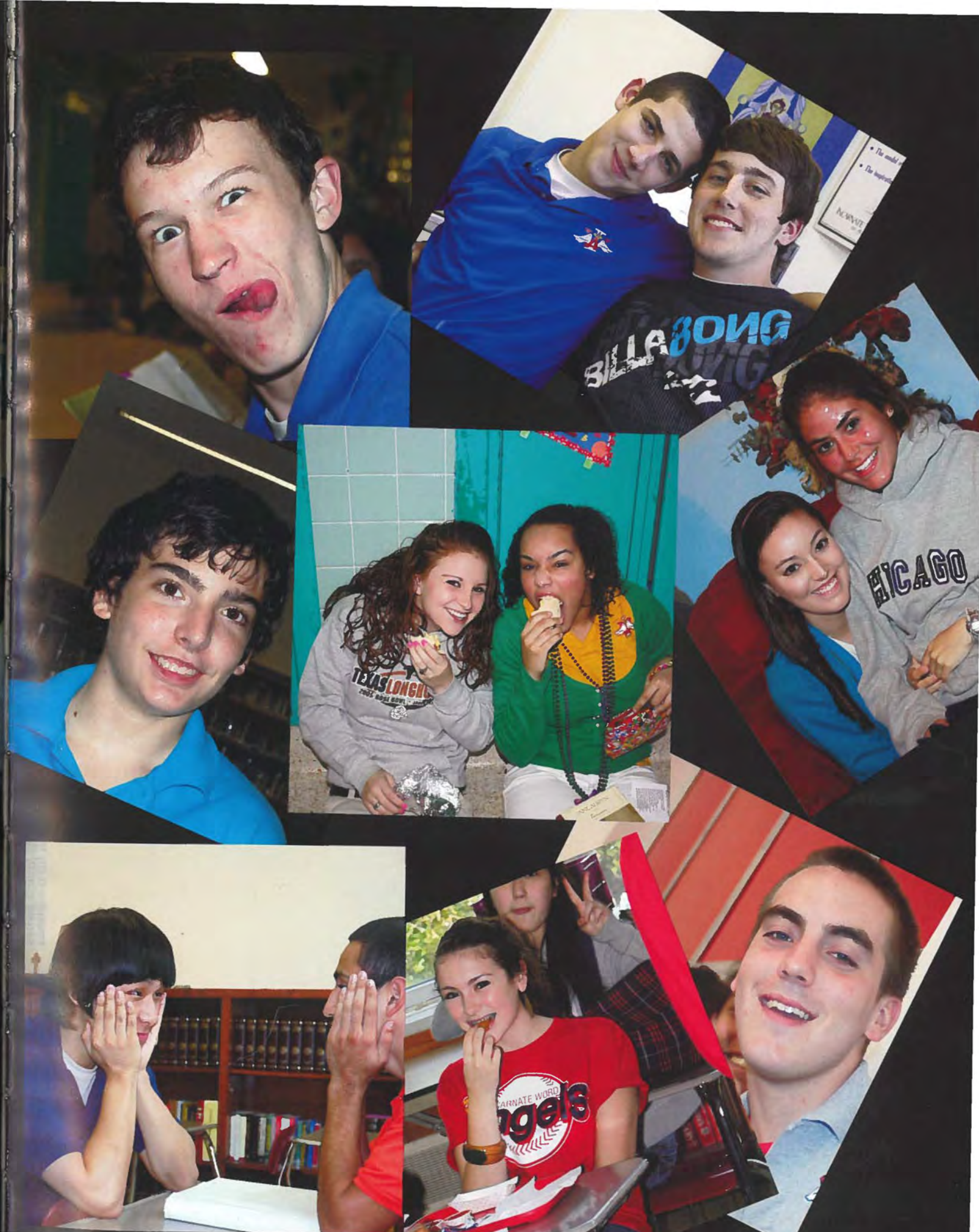


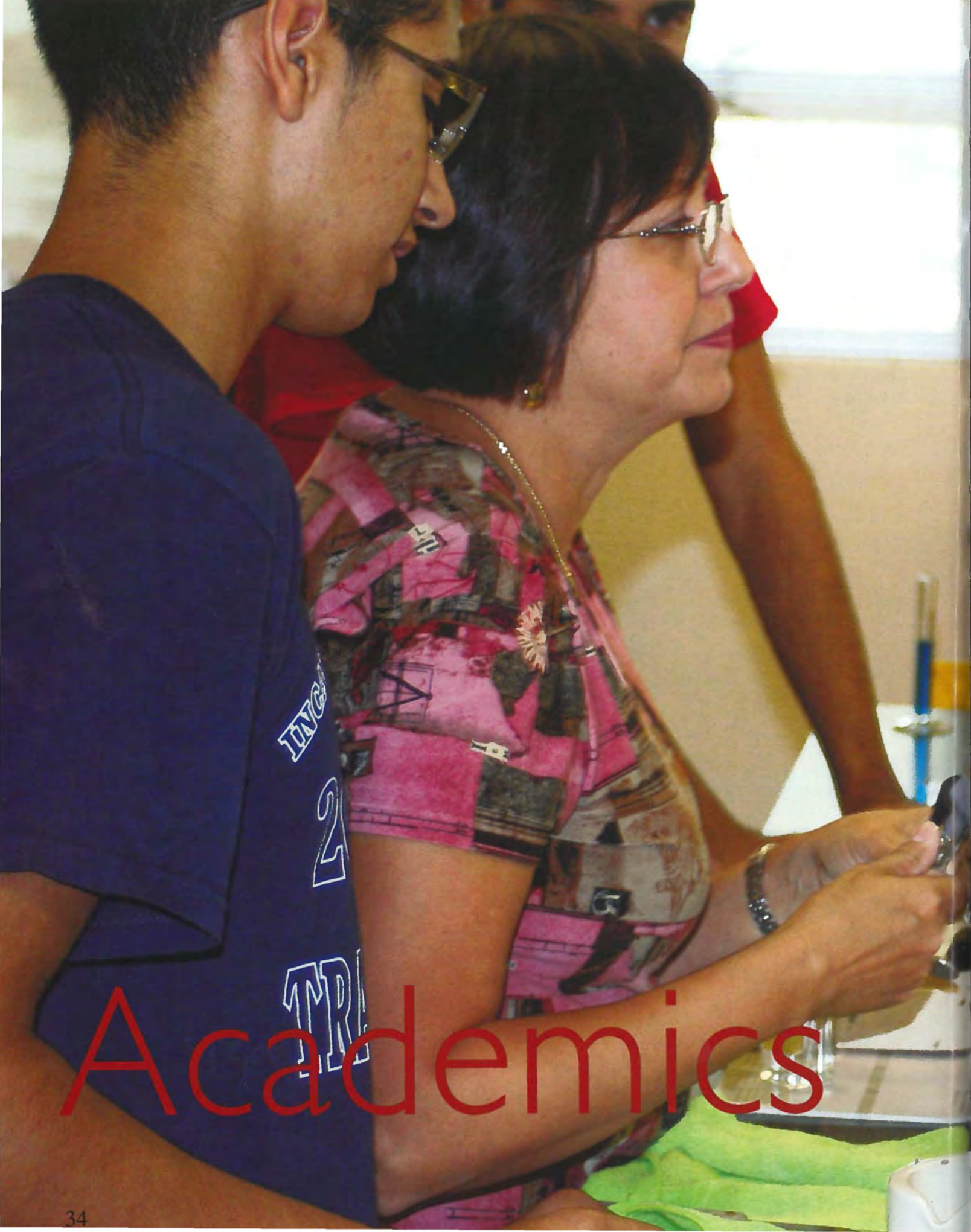
The Daily Life of an Angel

Annabelle Dura



1st period 8:00 - 8:50 : Biology 1, Mrs. Hernandez
2nd period 8:54 - 9:44 : Art 1, Mrs. Towers
3rd period 9:48 - 10:38 : PAP Spanish II, Ms. Cerda
4th period 10:42 - 11:32: Health, Coach Dreyer
5th period 11:36 - 12:26 : Theology I, Sister Judith Marie
LUNCH 12:26 - 1:00
6th period 1:04 - 1:54 : World Geography, Coach Martinez
7th period 1:58 - 2:58 : Algebra I, Ms. Espinosa
8th period 2:52 - 3:42 : English I, Mrs. Grubaugh





Academics

Persevere (red)

per·se·vere [pur-suh-veer]

-verb (used without object)

1. to persist in anything undertaken; maintain a purpose in spite of difficulty, obstacles, or discouragement; continue steadfastly.

2. to persist in speech, interrogation, argument, etc.; insist.

-verb (used with object)

3. to bolster, sustain, or uphold

Art

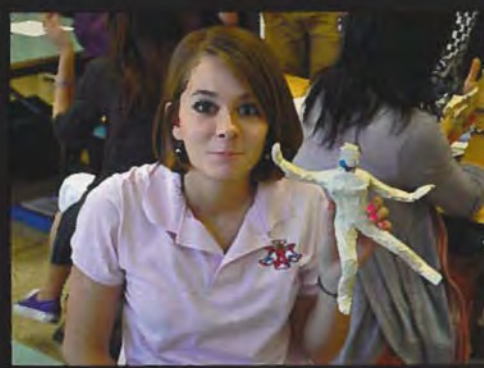
Of all the various forms of human expression, it is apparent that art is a favorite among the students of Incarnate Word Academy. Students in Mrs. Tower's Art I, II, III, and IV classes learn a cornucopia of art forms such as paper mache, water colors, and sculpting. Students get the chance to enter their works of art into multiple competitions including TAPPS, VASE, and Visionarios in hopes of winning top prizes. Each student starts with the same resources, but each student puts their unique spin on the assignment and the end results reflect the people who made them. As Oscar Wilde said, "A work of art is the unique result of a unique temperament."



(Right) Senior Addi Mireles "gets the picture" as she gathers supplies for her next art project.



(Right) Junior Hudson Hall asks Mrs. Towers for advice on one of his art projects.



(Above) Senior Rhonnie Embres shows of her would-be paper mache figurine.



(Right) Senior Sarah Cooper concentrates on her drawing.



(Above) Sophomore Shelby Fincher focuses on his water colors.



(Above) Seniors Curtis Corley and Andrea Ramos team up to finish their water color paintings.

Right, Mr. Hernandez enthusiastically teaches the class.



Below, Senior Kevin Park practices during his 7th period Band class.



Band

The Urban Dictionary defines a band geek as "One who loves to play in band, is very talented, and is known to enjoy long bus rides. Often calls the band room his/her home away from home. Also sometimes known to beat on large metal objects with sticks." At IWA, we agree with this statement. We know that it takes true vision and passion to take on a musical instrument and we greatly encourage such. Statistics have shown that students involved in band are not only better academic performers but are generally all together more awesome. "A painter paints pictures on canvas. But musicians paint their pictures on silence." ~Leopold Stokowski

Sophomore Garrett Cox focuses on his music during the Regionals Band Competition.



Sophomore Dylan Alaniz playing the drums at the Christmas Concert.



Right, Mr. Hernandez talking to the audience about all the hard work his Band students have been doing.



Left, Feshman Christian Fernandez practicing on the drums.

Above, Sophomore Corina Villerreal awaiting her cue.

Criminal Justice

The class spends their break at the park.



Criminal Justice is a class that helps our students develop in the future career of their choice. The class, taught by Coach Everhart, teaches about current law, prisons, and law enforcement agencies. To further their understanding of the field, the class takes numerous field trips helping them learn about court cases, how federal and local government agencies are run, and how to debate!

“Justice denied anywhere diminishes justice everywhere.”

-Martin Luther King Jr.

During workshop, Emily Nye (12) experiences being searched as a criminal.



Junior Patrick Morales asks an intelligent question about the day's case.



Rhonnie Embres, Christina Zuniga, Emily Nye, J.D. Cortez, Lauren Smithwick, J.J. Arizmendi, Ben Sheinberg, Patrick Morales, and Jordan Allison stand aside our troops during Red Ribbon Week.



While Senior J.D. Cortez and Junior J.J. Arizmendi experience the back seats, Senior Ben Sheinberg sees what it's like to be the driver in the front seat of the police car.

Choir

Habitual diligence and utmost dedication are what make Mr. Stephenson an incredible choir director.



Each day during seventh period, ten melodious angels meet at the stage of the high school gym. Throughout the year they meet not only to make beautiful music, but to learn the theory and practice of choral music. The choir team participates in not only school masses, but they also perform concerts, and take part in the Tapps competition. Inspi(red) by Mr. Stephenson, the choir director, the students are able to persevere in creating classical, modern, and spiritual harmonic sounds that insure IWA's status as an elite school.



Junior Brenda Lira, senior Minji An, and junior Stehanie Connor singing during the Tapps competition.



Junior Brenda Lira refers to her song book as she is practicing a solo.



Minji An, Stephanie Conner, Thomas Pesek, Daniel Martinez, Richard Daugherty, Javier Cantú, and Victoria Parra performing at Tapps.



The seventh period choir class tuning up as soon as class starts



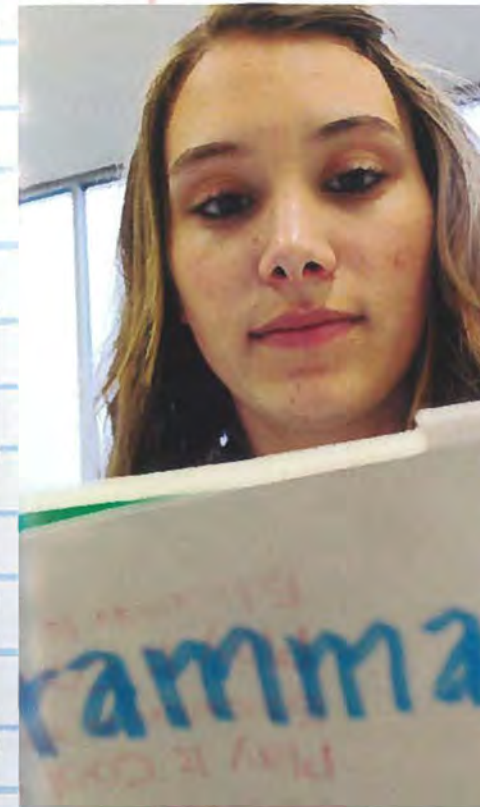
Above, the Choir Class giving it their all during class for their next performance

english

Right: Sophomore Mary Ellen Flood goofs off in order to kill some time in English.



Below: Senior Briana Cox studies her Grammar book in preparation for a test.



Ms. Grubaugh, Ms. Rangel, Mrs. Morrow and Sr. Pat, these are the Incarnate Word Academy English teachers. These are the women who, every single day, have to teach their students how to put their thoughts into words.

They have PERSEVE(RED) to help their students to become the next Mark Twain or Dr. Seuss, and in turn learn a bit about the students that they are teaching. This is one of the most personal classes that is taken and it requires a truly unique individual to teach it.

Right: Freshman Andrew Orgill and Cristian Fernandez present their Odysseus project.



Right: Juniors John Medary and Georgi Elizondo work as a team in order to finish Vocabulary on time.



Right: Senior Kevin Green laughs along as Mrs. Morrow encourages him to finish his assignment.



Left: Sophomore Sarah Green looks on as Ms. Rangel corrects her assignment.

Above: Junior JJ. Arizmendi sits patiently while listening to Sister Eileen's lesson.

Señor Martinez flips through the dictionary as he gives the days lesson to his Dual Credit Spanish III and IV class.



Juniors Sean Rodriguez and Jorge Leon present their Spanish III projects to Middle School students.



Juniors Alex Rossi and Kylee McCarty hold a poster for Senior Erika Magdalaro as she presents her Spanish III poster.



Ms. Cerda laughs as her Spanish III class prepare their presentations.



Below: Fellow Freshmen J.L. Bronold and Lance Newton pose for a picture after presenting their Spanish projects on the running of the bulls in Mexico.

Foreign Languages



Foreign Languages provide a base of culture for each student at Incarnate Word Academy. Whether a student starts off in French or Spanish, the dedicated teachers will provide them with the ability to communicate and experience the traditions of other cultures. The staff of Spanish teachers include Mrs. Ibarra, Ms. Cerda, Señor Martinez, while Monsieur Carriere mans the French staff. The teachers work together to inspire the students to uncover the spirit of other ethnicities.



Left: Juniors Amber Mora and Jorge Leon learn and practice the "Salsa" in Spanish III.

Above: Mr. Carriere laughs as the class try to recite the phrases he wrote on the board.



Health

Coach Dreyer explains to his 6th period health about the many bones in the body



Chandler Squires lets her creative talent show on her poster for Osteoporosis.



What do you think of when you hear the word health? Does a doctor come to your mind? Does fitness and food come in your thoughts? Does an ambulance siren buzz through your head? Incarnate Word Academy is adding a new meaning to the word health, "you". Health is the basic foundation on which we live. We are fortunate to have excellent teachers such as Coach Dreyer with his hilarious comments and Coach Aguilar with his encouragement.

Even though the topics may be confusing or hit close to the heart these teachers always encourage us to persevere. We can just sit and wait for class to end but in reality we can help ourselves improve our health.

Freshman Deanna Ramirez is adding a sparkling touch to her poster on one of the many muscular illnesses.



In an attempt to be the first one finished Freshman Nikki Atkinson rushes to complete her Health assignment.



Senior Jonathan Groesbeck pays close attention to the instruction of Coach Aguilar in order to achieve the best possible grade.



Freshman Frank Mcniff in a race against the clock hurries to complete his health worksheets.

Coach Dreyer explains the parts of the skeleton to freshman Zach Martin and Garrett Pfeil.

Below: Senior Bethany Kroeger along with Junior Breanda Lira and Sister Catherine Brehony explain to fellow classmate Senior Curtis Corey how to work out a problem during Dual Credit Algebra.



Right: Mr. Q explains a Math problem during his Calculus class.



Below: Senior Erich Kerr works out a problem during his Calculus class.



Mathematics

A group of related sciences including algebra, geometry, and calculus with the study of number, quantity, shape, and space and their interrelationships by using a specialized notation inspires us to take our math skills to the next level. With the help of our math teachers to engage the students in math lessons and encourage them to explore math

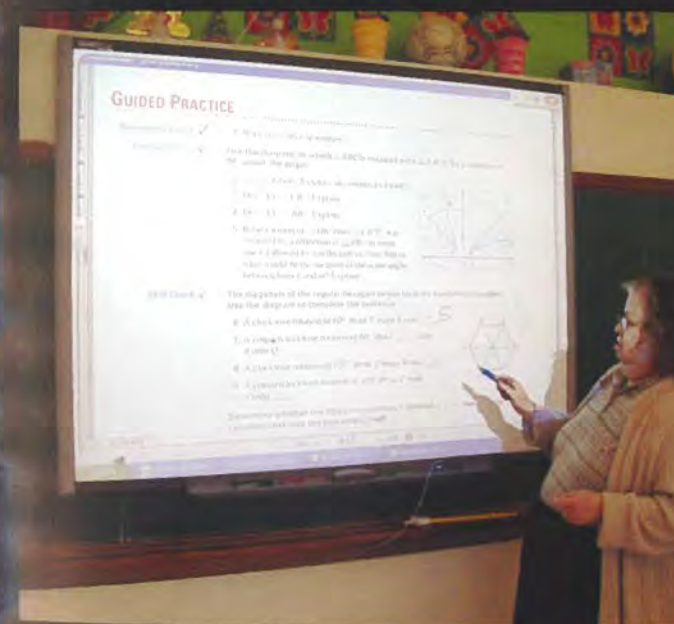
principles, the math teachers devote their time to the students of IWA. From learning geometry with Ms. Espinosa to learning calculus with Mr. Quintero, the teachers of Incarnate Word Academy always encourage the students to persevere no matter how tough it gets.



Above: Senior Sarah Martin works very hard during her Algebra II class.



Above: Senior Taylor Van Leeuwen checks his work in the back of the book during his Calculus class.



Above: Junior Georgie Elizondo works very diligently during her Pre-Cal class.

Left: Teacher Ms. Espinosa uses her new Smart Board to teach her Geometry class.

With her eyes glued to her lab materials, senior Sarah Martin, perseveres to get her final results..



As a final part of his lab, junior Ryan Camacho consults one of our very own scientists, Mrs. Quintero for help.



Science

Edwin Powell Hubble once said, "Equipped with his five senses, man explores the universe around him and calls the adventure Science." The students at Incarnate Word Academy are led to explore this universe by our very own scientists. Mrs. Quintero, Mr. Wenzel, Mrs. Hernandez, Mr. Perrone, Mr. Quintero, and Ms. Sears give the students the chance to persevere through the smelly dissections of cats, the tedious chemistry problems, and thinking "outside of the box" to

understand what really goes on in the world of physics. Soon enough, our students will be leading others in the modern world with the knowledge they received from the teachers of the Science Department at Incarnate Word. Science class provides not only a time to work individually, but a time to work with others. Without Science, our students would not have the opportunity to see the world in a whole new way.

Biology teacher Mrs. Hernandez demonstrates what her students will be working during class.



To obtain accurate results, junior Alexandria Rossi focuses on the steps of her lab assignment.



Holding the finished product of their fun projects in Biology, freshmen Kateri Kroeger and Deanna Ramirez blow bubbles.



Left: With eyes focused on their results, sophomores work together after a Chemistry lab.

To get ready for a Physics demonstration, Mr. Perrone speaks to his class about what will happen next.

Below: Senior C.J. Martinez lounges around during his Government class.



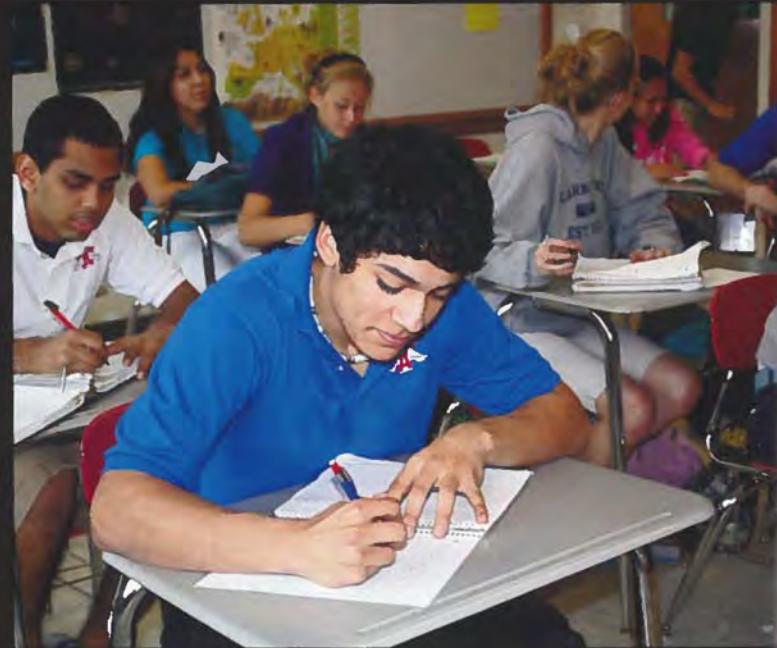
Bottom: Sophomore Cameron Knox busily writes down Mr. Screws' vast supply of notes.



Below: Mr. Screws lectures his U.S. History class about the Roaring 20s.



Above: Junior Georgi Elizondo pays close attention in her U.S. History class.



Below: Senior Rick Yoon and Mr. Stephen Penley discuss the some key facts about the day's lesson.



Social Studies

Our world is full of history just waiting to be revealed and that's where our Social Studies class comes in. With our Social Studies teachers, we can fathom the events that led to our present day world. History is an enlivening experience that tells of the development of human society. We learn about the early people of

the world and the advancements they made to improve their way of life. From cultivating the land to exploring the far reaches of the earth, our ancestors made what we know our world today.

Below: Senior Alex Baysinger writes down some notes in her Government class.



Left: Freshmen Alegre Elizondo (left) and Hayley Sanchez (right) clown around in their World Geography class.

Technology

Seniors Aideth Leon, Michael Kozlowski, and Brendan Langen, and junior JD Longoria work during a webmastering class.



During a webmastering class, senior Shelby Blair and junior Christopher Chavarria use a SMART Board during a webmastering class.



According to Internet World Stats, there was an estimated population of 340,831,831 people in North America in the year 2009 and an estimated 251,735,500 of those people use the Internet. Technology influences the entire world, coming into the lives of more people every day. Technology does not only influence the personal lives of people, but also influences the classroom environment. By the creation of the Internet in 1969, research has become easier and many tasks have become faster and easier to accomplish. At Incarnate Word Academy, new technology, such as SMART Boards, is often used during many of the classes.

and programming classes are also offered to sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors also work together in the yearbook class to create the annual yearbook. Incarnate Word Academy has some of the most advanced technology of all the schools in the city.

“Once a new technology rolls over you, if you're not part of the steamroller, you're part of the road.” – Stewart Brand

Mrs. Edwards helps freshman Clarissa Carreon on the new computers in the library while freshman Gilberto Sosa and junior Roy Riojas watch.



Mr. Rodriguez helps junior Patrick Hoffman during a BCIS class.



Sister Raquel works with senior Caitlin Wang during a webmastering class.



Above: Junior Thomas Gonzalez, senior Ben Sheinberg, and senior Gladys Gutierrez work during webmastering class

Left: Senior Hannah Jarrell, sophomore Matthew McClung, sophomore Garret Cox, and junior Georgina Elizondo working during yearbook class.





Theater Arts

Freshman Katia Mendizabal reads her poem in front of the class.



Senior Erika Magdalaro dressed in costume for one of her roles.



Jackson and Samantha practice for competition.



The students rehearse a skit that is intended to be set in a car.



Mrs. Myers gets theatrical.



Senior Elizabeth Robertson rehearses her exit off stage.

"To be or not to be, that is the question," that quote by William Shakespeare is usually the first thing people think of when they hear the word theater. Most people think that actors are just people who memorize lines and recite them in public. In reality though, being an actor is not as easy as it seems.

Actors are required to pull emotions from former experiences in order to make the scene become as real to the audience as it is to them. They have PERSEVE(RED) day after day to try and make their audience truly feel the emotions that they are feeling during each performance and show their true selves in the process.



Sophomores Jackson Duncan and Samantha Skurka act out their duet.

Theology

Right: Sister Eileen Doherty works diligently in her Theology III class.

Below: Senior Marianne Medina collaborates with Sister Pat Burns to help her finish her Theology IV class work.



Below: Freshman Patrick Hickham presents his Jesse Tree symbols to his class.



Theology is “the study of God” or as our Theology teachers would say, “faith seeking understanding.” As a part of Christian life, Theology is an influence to all. In class, there is more behind the tests, quizzes, and worksheets. It is not just teachers assigning work to be done and to turn in, but it is to help us to get to know God better. God has made His existence known to us for hundreds to thousands of years and it is the job of our teachers to help us know that He has been with us from the very beginning. From the creation of all things to present day, God is watching over us from His throne in Heaven. But that is not all that we learn, we also learn about our Christian roots starting from

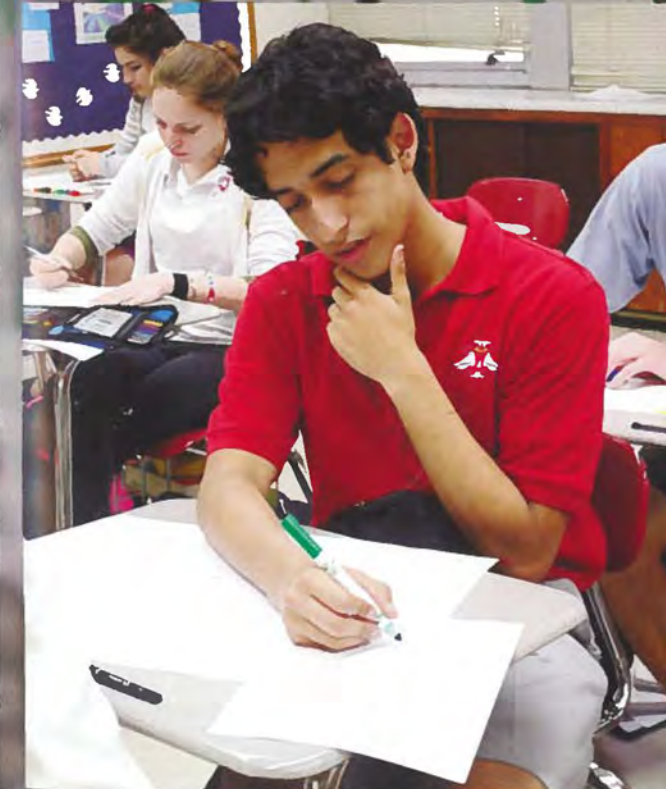
the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. We learn all about the hardships He has endured for us and His work to spread God’s love. Even after His death His apostles continued to spread the word of God. Our Christian faith has persevered through all the hardships that the world has flung and is always in conflict with people who scold us. But that has not stopped us. That is why we have a Theology class, so that our teachers can remind us to have faith, to never give up, and to never abandon God when the future looks bleak.



A group of freshman team up to complete their day's assignment.



Sophomore Sam Bronzo chills out in her Theology II class.



Left: Junior Gilbert Rodriguez heavily concentrates on making his Lenten poster.

Above: Theology I teacher Sister Judith Marie helps a group of boys understand what they must complete.



Clubs

Explo(red)

ex-plore; [ik-splawr, -splohrr]

-verb (used with object)

1. to traverse or range over for the purpose of discovery: to explore the island.

2. to look into closely; scrutinize; examine: Let us explore the possibilities for improvement.

3. to investigate into, esp. mechanically, as with a probe.

4. to search for; search out.

-verb (used without object)

5. to engage in exploration.

book club

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Sophomores Carolina Riveria, Megan Duoyongco, Raquel Kasprzyk, and Claudia Casas enjoy lunch and books during a meeting.

“Reading a book is like re-writing it for yourself. You bring to a novel, anything you read, all your experience of the world. You bring your history and you read it in your own terms.”

Every two weeks, Mrs. Edwards hosts a Book Club meeting in the library. Cookies are served, and no subject is taboo when it comes to discussing the selected novel.

Whether it’s the political undertones of the work itself, or questions of characters and their motivations, these students will pick and probe until all layers of complexity and ambiguity have been shed. From Poe to Potter, Mrs. Edwards and the Book Club have it covered.



Sophomores Mary Ellen Flood and Alyssa Biggins engage in enlightening discussion while Freshman Mallory Sico shields her face.

“To read a writer is for me not merely to get an idea of what he says, but to go off with him and travel in his company.”
- Andre Gide



Sophomores Clara Tamez and Sarah Hall actively participate in one of the organization's meetings.

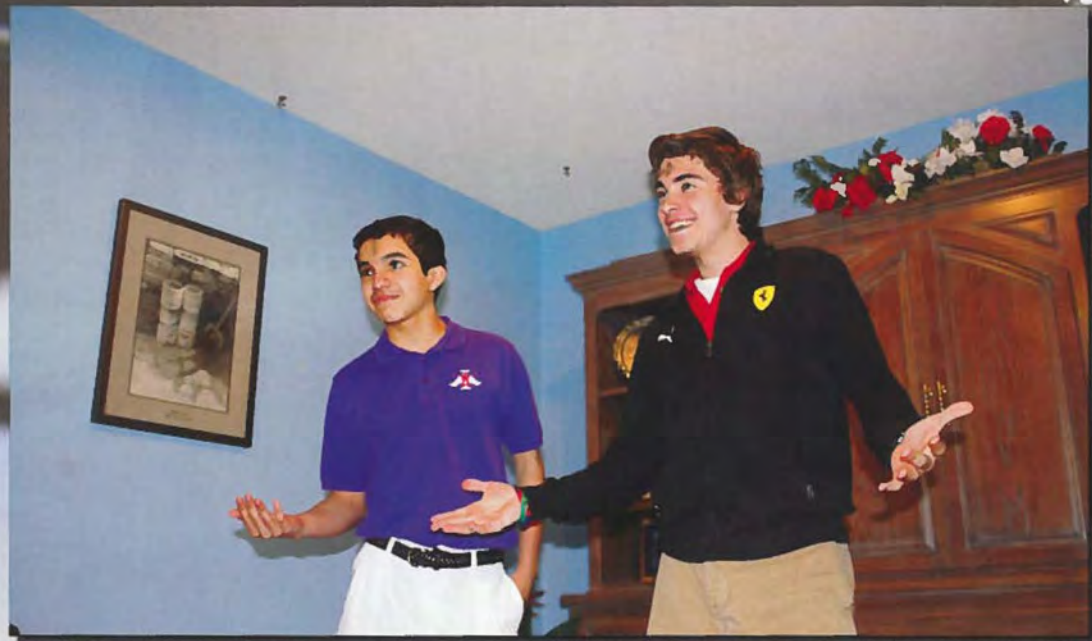
Mrs. Edwards generously donates her time and the school's library for book club meetings.



Debate

"I love argument, I love debate. I don't expect anyone just to sit there and agree with me, that's not their job."
Margaret Thatcher

Fight! Fight! Fight! That is what you would normally hear when two people are arguing but NOW we hear "I affirm...", "I negate...", "Your value criterion does not achieve your value..." That's right IWA has begun to EXPLORE new horizons with a brand new debate club. What started with just two sophomores, Carolina Rivera and Claudia Casas, has now blossomed into a Debate Team ready to obliterate the competition with their silver tongues.



Up: Gilberto Sosa(9) and Derek Ficenc(9) prepare for a rebuttal after their opponents speech.



Left: The debate team practices debating in order to prepare their argument for their topics in the upcoming tournament.



Left: The debate team argues over a piece of evidence.

Right: Claudia Casas(10) and Caroloina Rivera (10) prepare for a rebuttal.

"Learn to think before you speak."



Left: The debate team examines a piece of evidence in order to prepare for th upcoming competition.

French Club Les Batignolles

Ils disent que le Français est la langue de l'Amour. Il faut qu'une personne aime réellement cette langue magnifique pour joindre un Club qui lui est entièrement dévoué. Chaque Vendredi, le groupe se réunit au moment du déjeuner pour parler de leurs projets mais aussi pour discuter de la Culture riche et fantastique que la France et son Peuple a à offrir. Leur parrain, Mr. Carrière, a exploré les vastes régions de la France et a un amour réel du pays qu'il transmet avec ferveur à ses élèves. If you're not in the French club you won't be able to understand this, but if you are you will smile.

Elani holds up her copy of the French Dictionary which is used daily by the members.



The entire French club (and Mr. Torres) pose for a photo opportunity. Standing: Erika Tjerina, Katia Mendizabal, Lynn Pham, Claudia Casa, Sam Novack, Megan Duyonco, Derek Ficenic, Lydia Ayala, Carolina Rivera and Erika Magdadaro. Sitting: Caitlin Wang, Marianne Medina, Elani Duzich and Karissa Rangel.



Some members of the staff pose for an enchanting photograph. Left to right: Sam Novack, Derek Ficenic, Katia Mendizabal, Elani Duzich, Erika Magdadaro



Lynn raises her hand to add to the ongoing discussion of events throughout the year.

Katia gestures to Elani, giving her a suggestion on what type of dessert to bring to the next meeting.



Mr. Carrière poses for a portrait.

Elani Duzich leads the group in a lively discussion regarding the French club agenda.

Mu Alpha Theta

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The Mu Alpha Theta new members: Catherine Fergie, Mallory Sico, Samantha Brozo, Bitu Salamat, Julia Baker, Sarah Green, Matthew Matl, Maddie Lu, Frank McNiff, Christian Manzano, Andrew Thomas, Jacob Clark, Michael Tinning, Gilberto Sosa, and Jessica Yang.

Addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division are the least of these students' worries. The Mu Alpha Theta Society is exploring things higher when it comes to the world of mathematics. The students are guided by their sponsors Ms. Sears and Mr. Quintero. These students compete for the calculator, number sense and many other such teams. These students also work to help students become motivated to explore the world of mathematics.



Senior Anthony Gibson poses for the camera during one of the society's meetings.



Mu Alpha Theta sponsors Mr. Q and Ms. Sears look on during the society's induction ceremony.



Members of Mu Alpha Theta receive their acceptance into the society.



The Mu Alpha Theta officers are Lisa Salloum, Taylor Van Leeuwen, Brain Smith and Sam Schauer.



All the hard work pays off for freshmen Samantha MacLachlan and Madison Longwell, two of the freshmen who have been inducted into Mu Alpha Theta.

National Honor Society

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“Leaders are not born. They are made. They are made just like anything else... through hard work. That's the price we have to pay to achieve that goal or any goal.”

-Vince Lombardi



Above: Senior Emily Nye is enjoying her breakfast with her family at the Third Semester Honor Roll Breakfast.

The National Honor Society is a group of elite students who went the extra mile. These students gave it their all when it comes to leadership, service, scholarship, and character. While maintaining an average of 90 and above, they set an example towards the school. Acting as leaders for the student body, the members of the National Honor Society participate in a variety of projects and fund-raisers within the school and the communities of Corpus Christi, Texas.

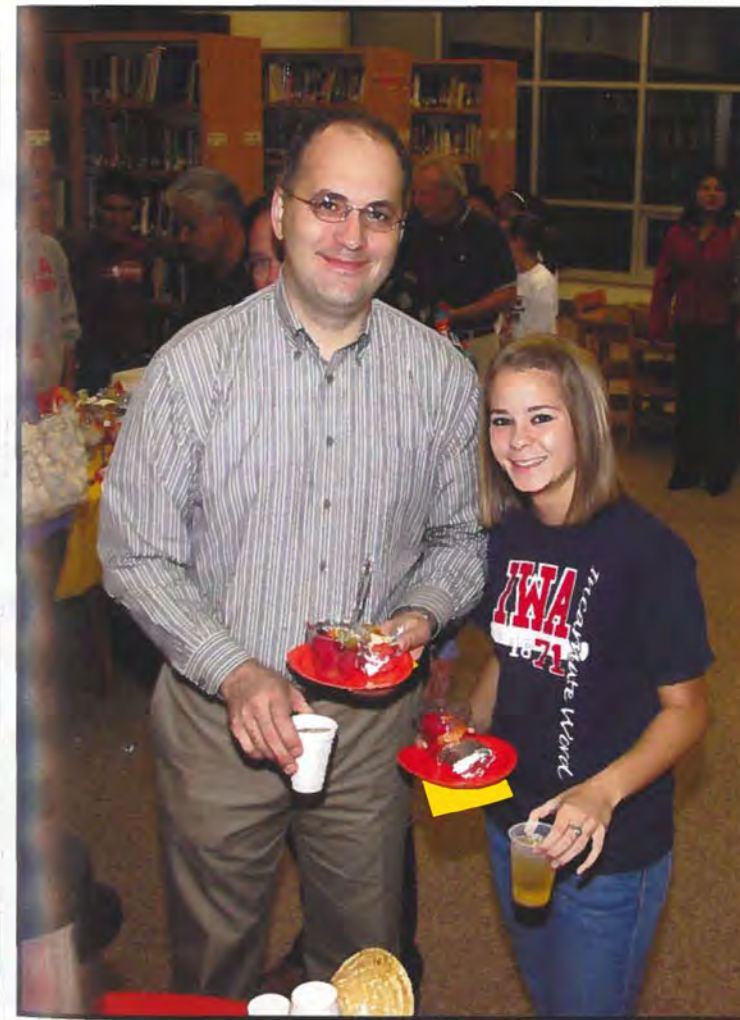
Right: Junior Christian Manzano sets up the presents that will be passed out to the elderly.



Below: Seniors Lynn Pham and Elani Duzich, and Junior Monica Herbst smile for the camera while waiting for incoming honor roll students.



Right: Junior Maddie Lu plays the piano for the elderly.



Left: Senior Rhonnie Embres poses with her father at the First Semester Honor Roll Breakfast.

Above: Senior Erika Magdalaro opens a present for an eager, elderly woman.

OPERATION G.I.

"The Task ahead of me is never as great as the power behind me" - Ralph Emerson

Actions speak louder than words, and acts of charity speak even louder. Charitable works not only tell others silent words of comfort and love, they also bear witness to truly exceptional character. At Incarnate Word Academy, we know that getting involved is what transforms empty words into charitable actions. So this year at I.W.A. we created a new club called Operation G.I. (Get Involved). This new club makes service their main mission and kindness their top priority. Over the year these club members have not only explo(red) new ways of serving others, they have grown in confidence and maturity. We take pride in our new club and its serving members. Through getting involved, we can be Christ to others and better our community at the same time.



From left: Brenda Lira, Michael Salloom, Sam Novak, Marissa Fernandez, Kevin Park, Sarah Cooper, and Javier Cantu take a break for a photo opportunity.



Junior Laryn Alanis feels accomplished when serving the community.



Junior Lisa Salloom prepares for a hard day's work.

Avery Bottom picks up debris during Operation G.I.'s service project at Our Lady of Corpus Christi campus.



Sophomore Camilla Childs cuts debris into smaller pieces so as to move them more efficiently.

Members of Operation G.I. clean the grounds of Our Lady of Corpus Christi campus.

★ Photography Club

"A good snapshot stops a moment from running away." - Eudora Welty

"There are always two people in every picture: the photographer and the viewer." - Ansel Adams



The 2009-2010 photography club.

The photography club is designed to teach students new photography techniques and styles that they may not already know. The students enter the Visionarios and TAPPS competitions with the photographs they have taken. The Visionarios competition is presented by the Art Museum of South Texas and is sponsored by Flint Hills Resources. Students' photos for Visionarios followed the theme of "Reflections of the Gulf Coast." Ten students participated and five of them placed. The students of the photography club also enter their photos into TAPPS, which is the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools.

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"Buying a Nikon doesn't make you a photographer. It makes you a Nikon owner."
Author Unknown



★
Junior Emily Bissell, junior Steele Schauer and senior Sarah Cooper review the settings of the camera.



★
Sophomores Raquel Kasprzyk and Hannah Grunwald look at their pictures on the SMART Board

★ Visionarios

- Emily Bissell - First Place for Art I-II
- Jaime Leon - Third Place for Art II-IV
- Lynn Pham - Second Place for Art II-IV
- Jaime Leon - Third Place for Art II-IV

★ TAPPS

- Emily Bissell - Creative/Experimental - 1st & 6th Places
- Emily Bissell - Unaltered Photography - 2nd Place
- Madeline Lu - Unaltered Photography - 4th Place
- Steele Schauer - Unaltered Photography - 5th Place
- Emily Bissell - Altered Photography - Honorable Mention
- Sarah Cooper - Altered Photography - Honorable Mention

★
Senior Sarah Cooper prepares to take a picture of some leaves.



★
Junior Emily Bissell takes a picture of a tree.

★
Sophomores Raquel Kasprzyk, Hannah Grunwald, Mary Ellen Flood, Alyssa Biggins, Karissa Rangel, and Carolina Rivera during a photography club meeting.

Science Club Science Club

"[Science is] an imaginative adventure of the mind seeking truth in a world of mystery."

-Thomas Hobbes



Above: Junior Allison Sirimanotham takes a bite out of Mrs. Quintero's delicious chopped beef sandwich.

From the brilliant minds of Albert Einstein and Sir Isaac Newton, the Science Club explores deep into the heart of Science. With a meeting held every other Thursday by their sponsor, Mrs. Sandra Quintero, the members of Science Club gather to share in scientific thought and the demonstration of their bi-weekly experiment.



Below: Senior Kevin Park takes a break from handling money to buy chopped beef sandwiches.

Below: Alex Rossi smiles at the camera during a Science Club meeting.



Right: Junior Ryan Camacho demonstrates the formation of crystals in a super saturated solution during a Science Club meeting.



Above: Mrs. Quintero shows off her birthday tiara after a long meeting of serving some members a chopped beef sandwich.



Above: Senior Marianne Medina, and Sophmores Claudia Casas and Megan Duyongco enjoy their time together at a Science Club meeting.

Spanish Honor Society

Más vale pájaro en mano que cien volando.
A bird in the hand is worth more than 100 flying.

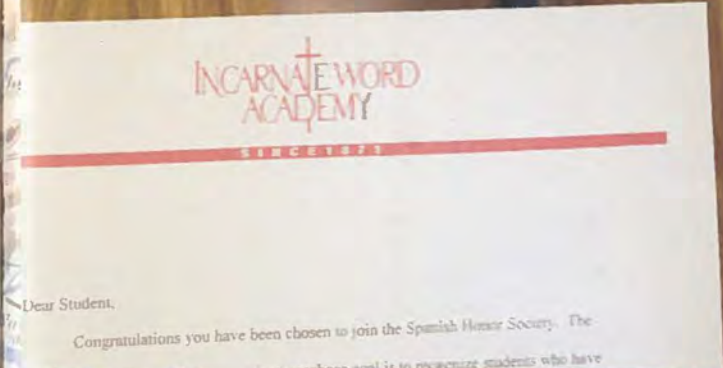


Up: Senior, Allie Moore and Sophomore, Raquel Kasprzyk purchase tacos from Spanish Honor Society.

The Spanish club is no more; we now have a Spanish Honor Society. These students are the best of the best when it comes to Español (this means Spanish). Run by Mrs. Ibarra and Ms. Cerda on her nine cups of coffee these students maintain an excellent average in Español. These students have begun to EXPLORE the Spanish culture quickly becoming bilingual.



Left: Sophomore Catherine Fergie has just received the papers verifying that she is in Spanish Honor Society.



Left: Juniors Oscar Schechter and Charles Baker sell Tacos in the morning for Spanish Honor Society.

Dime con quién andas y te diré quién eres.
Tell me with whom you walk and I will tell you who you are.

Right: Sophomore Mary Ellen Flood, Junior Sam Schaeur, and Sophomore Catherine Fergie are overjoyed for being inducted into Spanish Honor Society.



Left: Sophomore Alyssa Biggins buys a taco from the Spanish Honor Society early in the morning.

Up: Ms. Cerda inducts Junior Steele Schaeur into the Spanish Honor Society.

student council

student council

giving back to the community



Christ calls us to action, and thus we must answer the call. Not only has Student Council given students a taste of government leadership, it has also worked to benefit the community.

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in." Matthew 25:35



ABOVE: Student council president Allie Moore (12) conducts one of the organization's meetings.

"If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth." 1 John 3:17-

Student council members Elani Duzich(12) and Miles Novack(10) get creative in setting up for the rave-themed MORP dance.



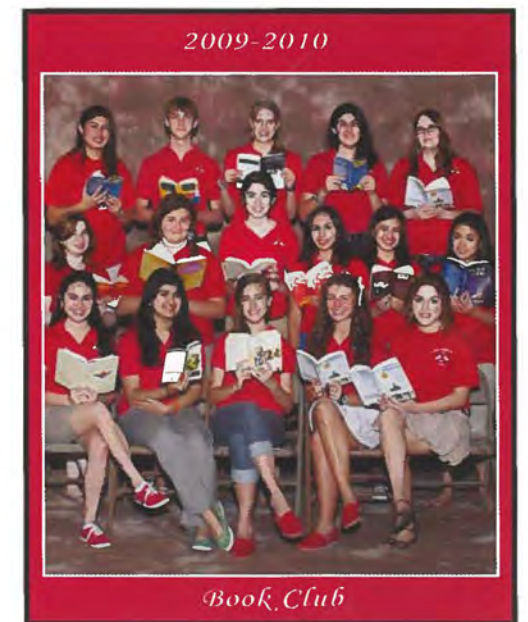
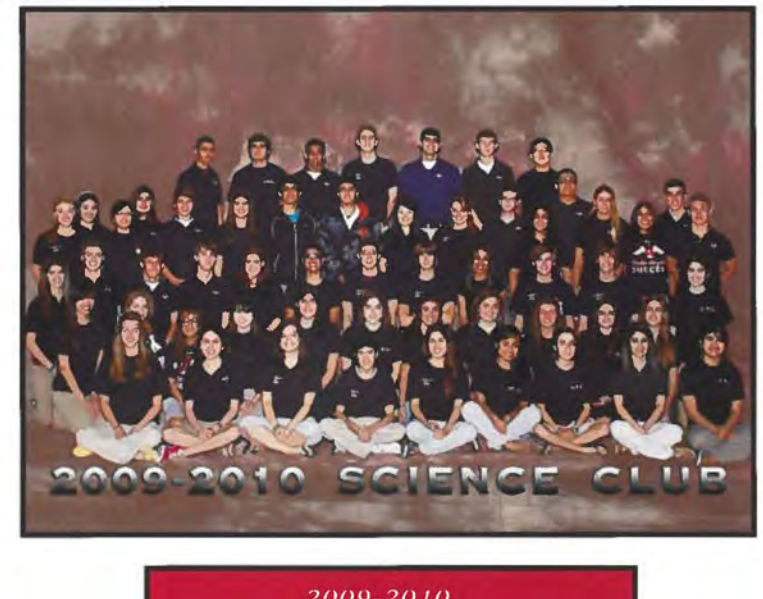
BELOW: Student council sponsors Mrs. Hernandez and Mr. Martinez provide suggestions and guidance every once in a while throughout the course of a meeting.

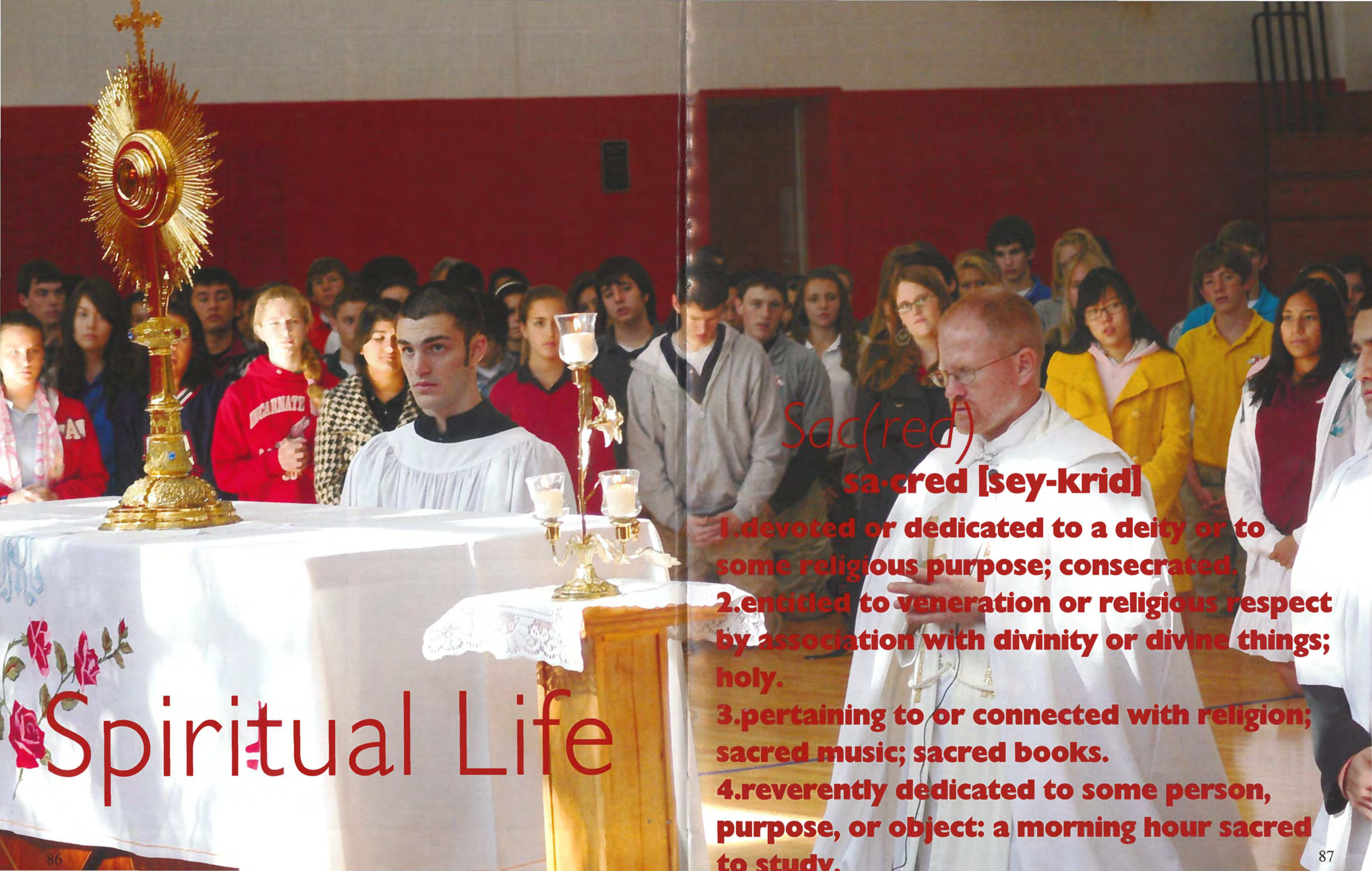


LEFT: student council members give up their Saturday to help set up for the MORP dance.



Student council frequently conducts drives for those in need, often collecting items such as the ones seen above.





Spiritual Life

Sac(red)
sa·cred [sey-krid]

1. devoted or dedicated to a deity or to some religious purpose; consecrated.
2. entitled to veneration or religious respect by association with divinity or divine things; holy.
3. pertaining to or connected with religion; sacred music; sacred books.
4. reverently dedicated to some person, purpose, or object: a morning hour sacred to study.

Liturgies

“Love God, serve God: everything is in that.”
- St. Clare of Assisi

According to the Merriam-Webster Dictionary, Mass is defined as “a celebration of the Eucharist.” Masses and spiritual life are important to all of the students and staff of Incarnate Word Academy. The spiritual life of the school inspires and motivates all the students to always work to their greatest ability. School-wide masses are celebrated once a month in the gym and class masses are celebrated once a week in the chapel.

Sophomore Catherine Fergie reads the responsorial psalm.



Right: Father Richard Gonzales waves to the camera after celebrating Mass.



Sister Raquel, sophomore Tommy Pesek, senior Daniel Martinez, freshman Dan Bomer, senior Javier Cantu, junior Christian Manzano, junior Emily Bissell, and junior Kevin Park play their instruments during Mass.



Father Dan Estor celebrates Adoration.



Right: Father James Vasquez prays silently during Mass.



Juniors Georgi Elizondo, Brenda Lira, Alora Suarez, Courtney Rodriguez, and Kayla Treviño read during Anyssa's memorial mass.



Above: Camilla Childs receives a blessing from Mr. Perrone.



Freshmen Cristian Moreno, Trent Dimas, Victor Perez, and Eddie Castro pray during the Veterans' Day Mass.



Above: Mr. de Hoyos and Mr. Hernandez play during the Veterans' Day Mass.



Above: Juniors Joe Nash, Stephanie Connor, and Gilbert Rodriguez.



Father Eduardo Montemayor, SOLT.

Sophomore Christina Robertson and the rest of the sophomore class take a moment in silence and prayer to reflect upon their faith.



Seniors Gladys Gutierrez and Jaime Leon posed during their break at the retreat.

During the sophomore retreat, the students got to experience a very spiritual connection with the Blessed Sacrament.



Right: Mr. Ortiz lectures the senior boys about life experiences and giving them advice for their future.



Below: Juniors Patrick Hoffman and Chris Chavarria



Retreats

On a typical morning in a typical public school, students are learning the typical state curriculum, just like every other typical day. Meanwhile, the Incarnate Word senior and junior classes are preparing for their class retreats, just like the sophomore and freshman classes had done earlier this year. They are strengthening their faith, bonding with their classmates, and enjoying the welcoming, friendly environment.

At Incarnate Word, we aren't just educated academically; we are educated morally and spiritually too. Class retreats are the reason why each class is just a bit more united than those of public schools. They are what make classes more faithful to God. And it's the depth and holiness of class retreats that we at IWA find typical in an average school day.



Right: Senior Cody Randall writes a letter about his time at the retreat as an IWA student and about his overall high school experience and adventures with the whole senior class.

Above: The junior class during the retreat holding hands to show the unity between them.

Missions

Mescalero, New Mexico

What had started about seven years ago has become an experience of a lifetime. With each year, the number of sophomores, juniors, and seniors who are willing to give up their Spring Break to complete service in God has increased from a mere 12 students to a staggering 72 students. This year's Incarnate Word Academy's 2010 Missions Team set out to spread the Good News. With a light of hope of returning to Mexico for the missions trip, that light faded as the violence along the U.S./Mexico border persisted. But out in the distance, a new light shined upon the missions team, and that very light showed them the way to an Apache reservation, Mescalero, New Mexico, where they will continue their work. There in New Mexico, the 72 members of the missions team split up into eight groups: the Chocolate Chips, the Fish Pack, The Flaming Rainbows, H.O.T. (Holiest Of Teenagers), the Justice League, R.A.D. (Raiders Against the Devil), the Tenacious Tigers, and The Wild. With these eight groups, they spread across the city of Mescalero to serve the people who live there. But service was not the only thing they did while they were in New Mexico; they also opened up their hearts to God and to each other. With new friendships flourishing within their groups and with fellow groups, they realized that they are not eight individual groups, but one with a common purpose. Together they truly joined together to become The Flaming H.O.T. League of Wildly R.A.D. Tiger Fish and Chips of Justice.



Above: Gilbert Rodriguez and Ana Camarena had the job of washing dishes after everyone ate dinner.

Right above: Brenda Lira like all her friends is confused and laughs with relief when she finds a friend behind her blindfold.

Right below: Doris Hynes and Ariana Mohsenzadeh help prepare lunches for all the Mission groups, along with their fellow group members.



Chloe Ochoa, J.D. Longoria, and Mary Jane Shea assemble a cross made from a deck they took apart at Sr. Juanita's house.



"The Chocolate Chips" stand in front of the Mescalero School building where the missionaries stayed. This group consisted of Javier Cantu, Taylor VanLeeuwen, J.D. Longoria, Leandra Lugo, Karly Rodriguez, Camilla Childs, Brenda Lira,



The "Tenacious Tigers" get excited about the snow during group pictures. This group is consisted of Francisco Hernaiz, Clara Marti, Jonathon Lopez, Kourtney Rodriguez, J.D Cortez, Jordan Allison, Sam Novack, Allie Moore, and Sarah Green.

Taking advantage of the opportunity to play in the snow, Sean Rodriguez and J.D. Longoria



Atop the steep mountain, the missionaries sit and reflect on the experience they just encountered with each other.



"The Wild" smiles in front of the Mescalero Church altar, appreciating the time and work they had put into the past week. This group consisted of Alec Cotten, Jorge Leon, Chris Gover, Steele Shauer, Marissa Fernandez, Krista Lopez, Erika Magdadar, and Georgi Elizondo.



Kourtney Rodriguez smiles big while she holds up a fish she caught.



J.D. Cortez, Francisco Hernaiz, and Jonathan Lopez walk the streets of Mescalero picking up the trash in hopes to make the land clean.



Leandra Lugo works in the yard of Sister Juanita's house.



The mission group "H.O.T" smile excitedly as they show off the hard work they put into the day. This group consists of Lauryn Alanis, Marianne Medina, Victoria Alvarado, Camilla Childs, Brantly Bright, Kevin Park, Eric Krause, James Fergie, and Roy Riojas.



Athletics

Persevere(red)

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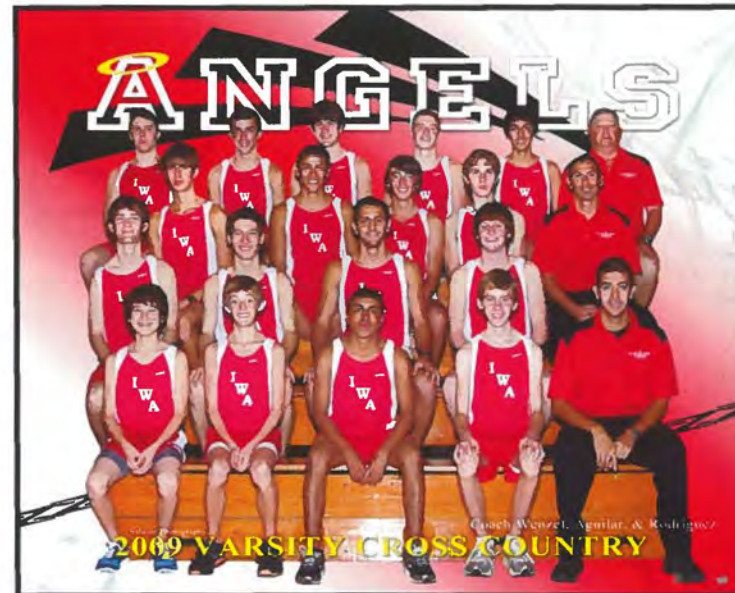
–verb (used without object)

1. to persist in anything undertaken; maintain a purpose in spite of difficulty, obstacles, or discouragement; continue steadfastly.

2. to persist in speech, interrogation, argument, etc.; insist.

–verb (used with object)

3. to bolster, sustain, or uphold





Right: Regina Salinas, Alex Rossi, and Dodie Heredia prepare to start their second race at West Guth.

Bottom: Jaime Bibby sprints for a strong finish.



Joe Nash tiredly strides for his team.

Cross Country



Being a sport of heart, willpower, and stamina, the cross country team of 2009 knows what it means to be prepared. They have ran through extraneous heat, rain, and steep hills to prepare for district and state where both girls and boys achieved 1st place at district and finished the season with 3rd place at the 4A varsity state meet. Our IWA runners worked hard, pushed the pace, fought the pain, and endured the race as one unified team led by Coach Luke Aguilar and Coach David Rodriguez.

Below: Our Lady Angels Cross Country team huddle up for Coach Aguilar's speech.

Below (1) Sammy Koury gladly comes to support and congratulate Jason Simank and Alec Cotten.

Below (2): Amelia Gonzalez, Julia Baker, Sarah Green and Ariana Mohsenzadeh huddle up for a picture.



Above: Sarah Green just steps ahead of her opponent.



Michael Kozlowski running with a strong pace at the first cross country meet.



Sticking close together, Patrick Allman leads the way for John Medary and Trey Buhider.

Right: Junior Kourtney Rodriguez subs in for Sophomore Christina Robertson.

Below: Coach Everhart addresses Freshman Hailey Patrick after the enduring matches.



Lady Angel Volleyball

Volleyball is the definition of hard work, determination, preparation, and heart. Twenty- six girls began preparing for the 2009-2010 season during the strenuous heat of the summer. Their hard work began the first day of practice and their heart has been in the game since day one. Throughout the season the unity of the team was undeniable. As Helen Keller once said, "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." With the unity of the team, the leadership of the captains, and the encouragement from the coaches, the Lady Angel Volleyball Teams serves as an inspiration to all.

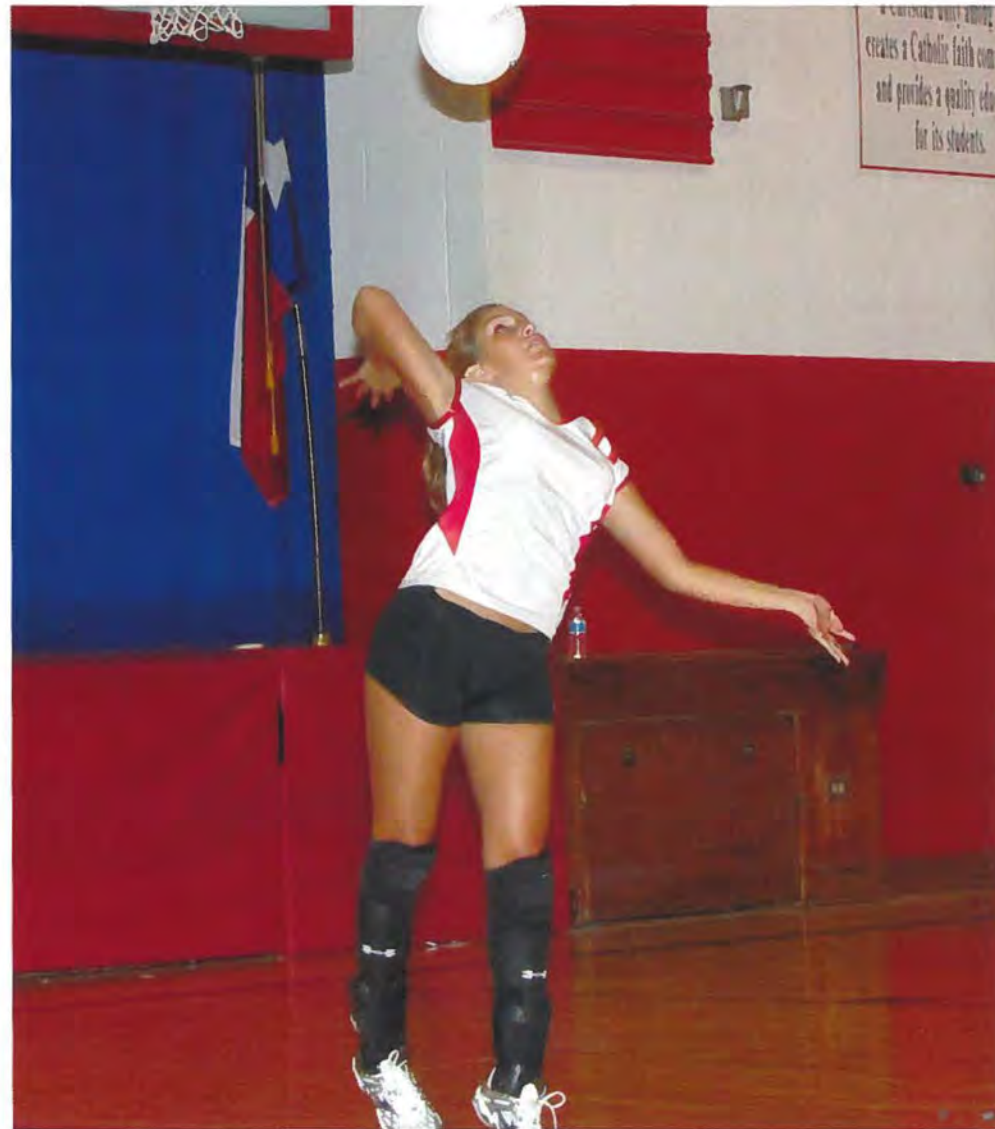


Above: Junior Brantly Bright gets ready for a hard hit against Brentwood.

Right: Senior Jordan Allison serves the ball for the winning point.

Below (Bottom): The Varsity team quickly discuss the game during a timeout.

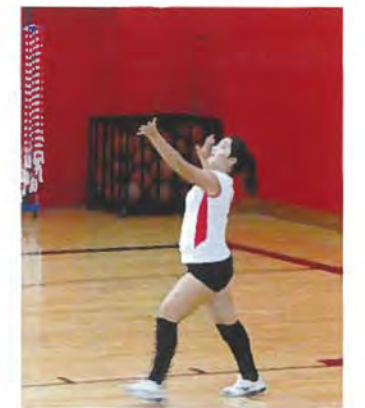
Below (Top): Senior Mary Allman gets ready to spike the ball.



Above: The Lady Angel Junior Varsity team hurries back to the court after celebrating.



Above: Freshman Samantha MacLachlan waits patiently for the opponent's serve.



Above: Junior Alora Suarez serves it up during an intense match.

Right: Senior Curtis Corley jump stops and looks for options.



Below: Junior Tyler Gentry steals the ball on the floor from opponent Hyde Park.



Left: Sophomore Tommy Pesek and Junior Ryan Camacho get ready for the inbound play during a JV game.



Angel Basketball

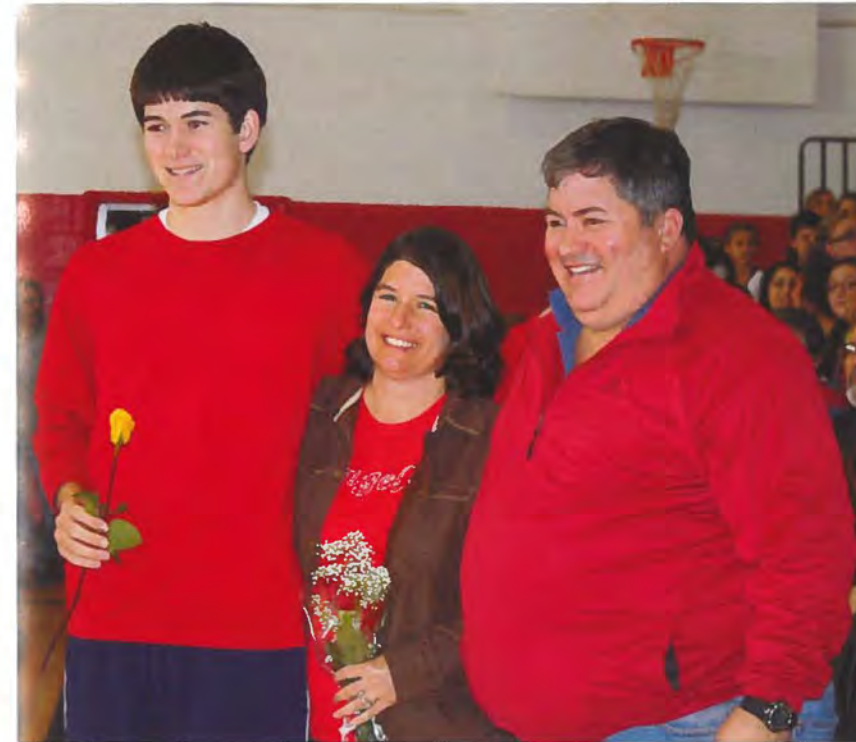
Right: Junior Patrick Allman focuses before shooting a free throw shot.



Below: The varsity team huddles together to encourage each other before a big game.



Below: Juniors John Salas and Dylan Alaniz watch and cheer on their teammates.



Boys basketball season may be one of the most exciting times at Incarnate Word Academy. From the beginning of the year, the boys program led by Coach Casper Wenzel works hard to prepare for their season. This year the team was led by a group of Seniors who directed their team in the winning direction. With tough, new teams in our district the boys had to work harder than ever. With our gym filled at every home game, to filling the gym of our opponents, the boys basketball team always provided an exciting game.

Left: Freshman Frank McNiff poses for a picture with his parents on "Parents Night."



Above: Senior captain Anthony Gibson gives Junior Thomas Gonzalez some encouragement during a time out.



Above: Senior Cody Randall receives a pass and prepares to make his next move.



Above: Coach Wenzel lets his JV team know what needs to be fixed out on the court.

Here, our Lady Angels get a pep talk from Coach Smith during a time out. Far right: Sophomore, Lauren Cabelo guards against the opponent.

Our Lady Angels with Mrs. Hinajosa after presenting her with yellow roses in honor of her daughter, Anyssa.



Lady Angels Basketball

Right: Alora Suarez rebounding during one of the district games.

Top: Sophomore, Amelia Gonzalez preparing to make her free throws.

Bottom: Junior, Leandra Lugo dribbles down the court to set up a play.



If ever was there a need for an example of true teamwork and loyalty, the need was fulfilled by this year's girl's basketball team. This year at IWA, the tragedy of the unthinkable gave way to a true testament of what "team" really means. It is an invisible, indescribable, and, most importantly, an unbreakable bond. It is what makes sport more than a game, but a thing with purpose. The 2010 Incarnate Word Lady Angels Basketball team has forever shown that team strength isn't just about the will of the players, and the skill involved to play. It's about the loyalty between them, the faith that carries them, and the courage to never give up.



Top: Sophomore, Regina Salinas going in for a layup. Bottom: Senior, Christina Zuniga racing down the court.



In remembrance of Anyssa, our Lady Angels displayed her jersey proudly at every game.



Freshman, Madison Longwell stretching to her limit to receive a pass from across court.

Senior Ronkia Cavazos shows off her soccer skills.



Right: Freshman Hayley Sanchez aims for the goal.



Lady Angels Soccer



What exactly is the word Team? As the San Antonio Spurs would say "Team Is Everything". This saying in particular truly summarizes the 2009-2010 Lady Angels Soccer Team. These girls prepared, were dedicated, and motivated to get on the field and scream, "GOAL!" frequently because of their passion for this game. These girls were lead by Coach Cleveland and Coach Martinez and their captains Seniors Sarah Martin, Ronika Cavazos, and Lauren Smithwick. The Lady Angels motivated each other to become the 2009-2010 BI-District Champions.



Left: Senior Captains Lauren Smithwick, Sarah Martin, and Ronika Cavazos confer with referees to determine first possession.

Below: Sophomore Kara Hays, after stealing the ball against IWA rival San Antonio Christian, takes off to finish the game.



Below: Junior Chloe Ochoa dives for the ball.



Freshman Olivia Rodriguez kicks the ball to score a perfect goal.



Senior Sarah Martin protects the ball from the opposing team.



Right: Freshman Kanya Maliwan throws a pass to one of her teammates.

Angel Track and Field

Trey Buhidar (Senior) breaks away from the pack in the 100m dash.



Zack Pekar (Sophomore) gets ready at the starting line for the 4 by 2.



From left: E.J. Ysassi and Thomas Gonzales (Juniors) keep together during their race.



Amaris Chacon (Sophomore) gives her all at long jump.



From left: John Medary (Junior), Micheal Kozłowski (Senior), and Anthony Gibson prepare for the



From left: Dodi Heredia (Freshman) and Doris Hynes (Junior) on the first lap of the two-mile.



Catherine Fergie (Sophomore) excels at hurdles.

Right: Senior Jonathan Groesbeck slides back into first during a tournament.

Below: Seniors Grant Seger and Roger Saenz prepare for anything that comes their way.



Below: Freshman Andrew Thomas practices hitting off the tee during batting practice.

Bottom: Sophomore Patrick Allman waits anxiously for the next pitch.



Angel Baseball

2009-2010



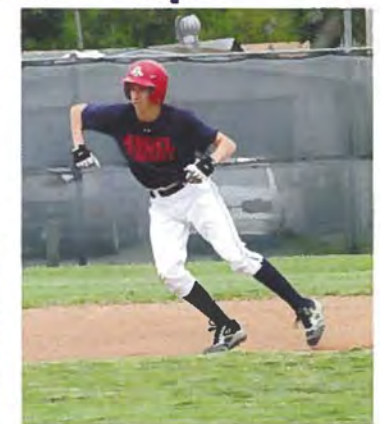
The Angel baseball team began the season with a fresh start and a new goal. They were led by Coach Dreyer and assistants Coach Martinez and Coach Alvarez. The Angels returned with only three senior players including Jonathan Groesbeck, Roger Saenz, and Grant Seger; but contained a floury of returning juniors with a significant amount of experience. Excluding the upper classmen, the Angel Baseball team consisted of many younger players that would have to step up and play a major role in the line up.



Top: Junior Aaron Aleman looks focused while pitching.
Bottom: Junior Patrick Hoffman awaits a pitch.



Junior Joey Hammock swings to hit a line drive.



Junior Sammy Koury gets ready to steal third base.

(Right) Juniors Sam Schauer and Charles Baker prepare their strategy for success.

(Below) The 2009-2010 IWA Varsity Girls Tennis team after the State competition.



(Right) Junior Sean Rodriguez put the ball in the perfect spot for an ace.

(Below) Junior Oscar Schechter ready to return the serve. (Bottom Left) Sophomore Camilla Childs returns the ball to her opponent.



Angel Tennis

(Below) Junior J.D. Longoria entertains his team between matches



The IWA varsity tennis team made their mark on the tennis world by securing their position at the 2010 TAPPS State Tournament. At State, the team head their own against a number of the best teams in Texas. The Boy's varsity team, consisting of Seniors Josh Matthews and Francisco Hernaiz and Juniors Sean Rodriguez, Oscar Schechter, Charles Baker, and Sam Schauer took home 3rd place overall, the highest ever finish for IWA Varsity Boys. Junior Sean Rodriguez wowed us all by defeating the two-time defending State champion and capturing the 4A Boys State Singles Championship. To prepare for the State Tournament, Coach Cory Brooks conducted grueling practices after school to hone the Angels' skills and bring out their full potential.



The team is excited as they prepare to leave for the state tournament.



(Above) Junior Caitlin Hart focuses her hind on the impending serve.



((Above) Freshman Bill Niswonger returns a serve.

Right: Junior Hudson Hall looks for his next event.



Below: Sophomore Miles Novack listens to advice from Coach Shea.



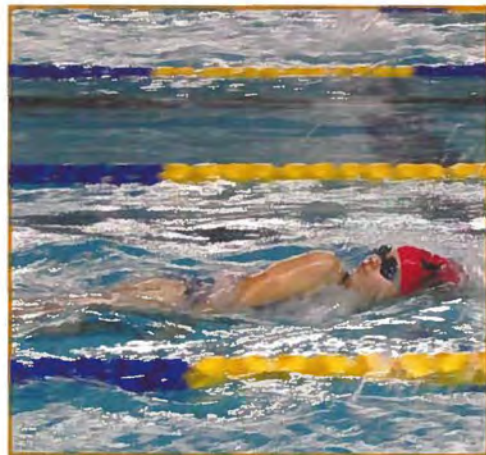
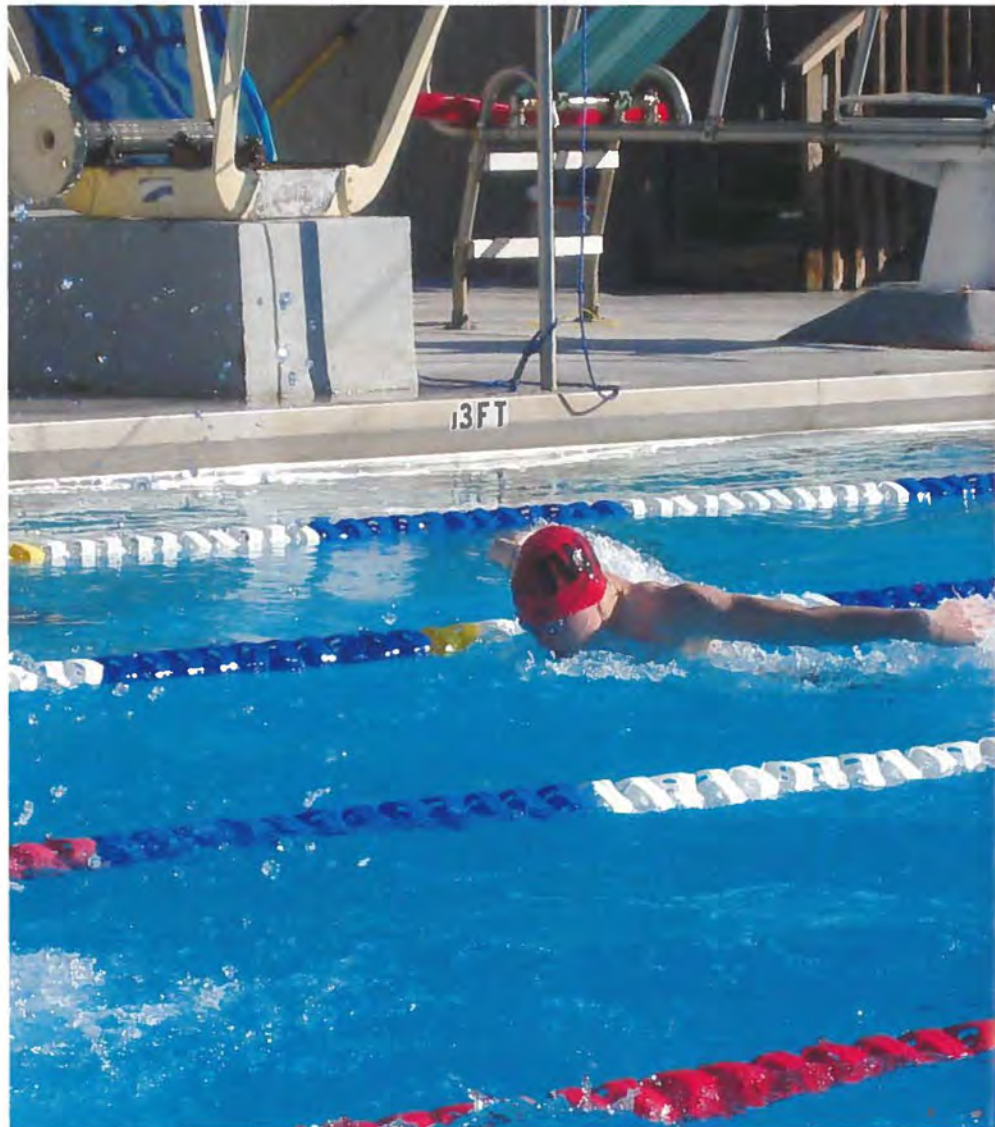
Left: Junior Mary Jane Shea meditates with the team mascot for luck.



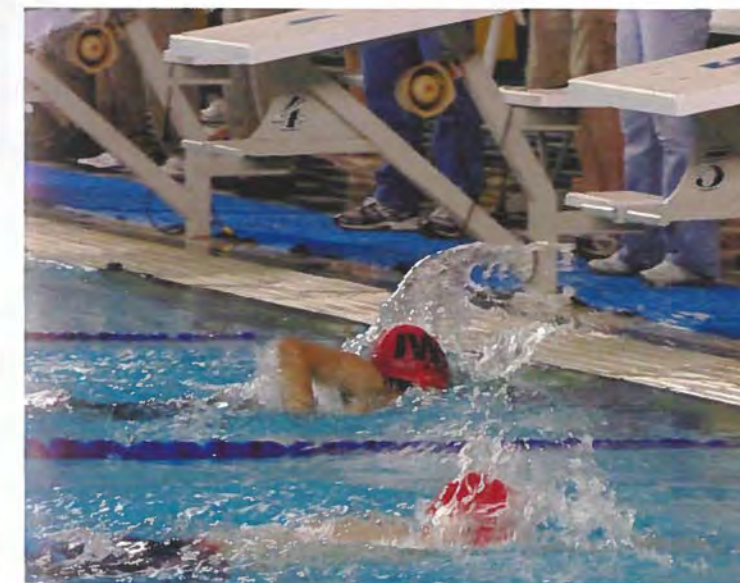
Swimming and Diving

Right: Sophomore Miles Novack swims using the butterfly stroke.

Below: Freshmen Chandlar Squires competes at the regional swim meet.



Seventy-five percent of our planet is water – can you swim? An elite group of students has chosen to take on this challenge. Facing the bone chilling waters and the pressure of hundreds watching them, they give 100% of themselves to this sport. They have trained in the frigid waters every day to be **PREPARED** for the stamina-trying competitions to bring pride to IWA.



Above: Freshmen Gilberto Sosa narrowly escapes defeat.



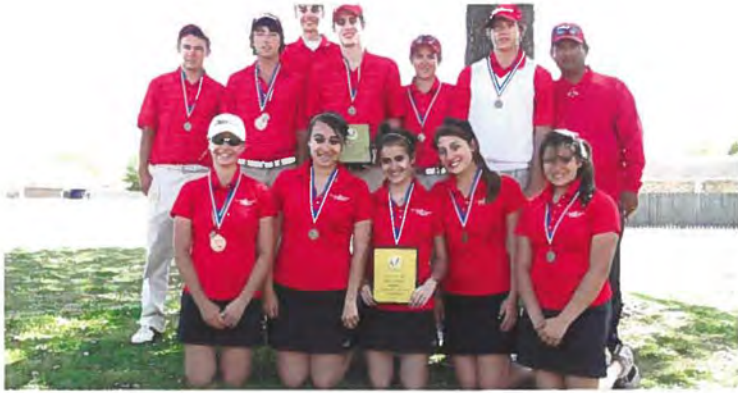
Above: Sophomore Clayton Cobbs enjoys a Pop Tart during break time.



Above: Junior Joe Nash relaxes after a difficult swim.

Right: Brian Smith (12) performs an excellent swing.

Below: The golf team shows off their numerous awards. Top from left to right: Brian Smith (12), Ryan Bibby (11), Daniel Bomer (9), Jeff Bomer (12), Kevin Smith (9), Remy Huston (10), and Coach Garcia. Bottom from left to right: Jaime Bibby (9), Gabriella Rendon (9), Lauren Saenz (9), Clara Marti (10), and Lauren Cabello (10).



Angel Golf



“Golf is a game that is played on a five-inch course - the distance between your ears.”
~ Bobby Jones. **Golf is a sport that mimics IWA, it requires you to use your head and if you think golf is easy, you should try memorizing countless terminology, learning how the game is played, and mastering the perfect swing.**

Right: Jaime Bibby (9) observes the terrain before she takes her swing.

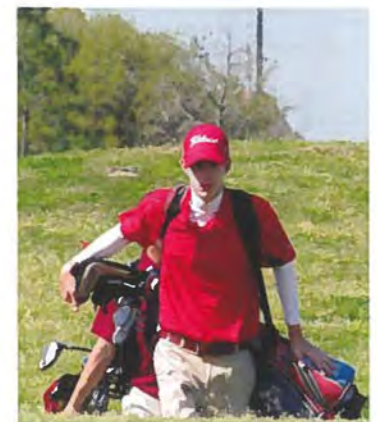
Below: Clara Marti (10) rehydrates herself after a difficult match.



Above: Remy Huston (10) ponders over how his next swing should be.



Above: Kevin Smith (9) focuses on the trial ahead.



Above: Dan Bomer (9) marches to next hole.

While supporting our boys varsity basketball game against Sacs, cheerleaders (from right to left) Danielle Compian, Annie Flanigan, Danielle Mladenka, and Liz Robertson; along with junior Alex Rossi stop and pose for the camera during half time.



Sophomore Alyssa Gentry and her stunt group prepare to throw her up in the air.

Cheerleading



Screaming, Stunting, Dancing, and of course Cheering. The cheerleaders of IWA know how to bring spirit to the crowd whether it's at home, away games, or pep rallies. The cheerleaders were always prepared to encourage the teams to win and bring spirit to the fans. Through hard work, the cheerleaders show the school what IWA's spirit is.

Bottom: During our first Pep Rally the cheerleaders of IWA huddle up to start the Pep Rally.

Below: During our sports Pep Rally, the cheerleaders stop and play the song "Love will hold us together" in memorization of Anyssa Hinojosa.



During a JV basketball game, sophomores Teresa Perez, Danielle Compian and seniors Hillary Pena and Liz Robertson pumps up the School spirit and encourage our boys to win.



During a boys varsity basketball game, the cheerleaders are always prepared to encourage our teams to win.



Bringing a smile to all, freshman Alyssa Gentry welcomes the Student Body during our first Halloween Pep Rally.

During our sports Pep Rally, sophomore Miranda Trevino cheers for all the athletes.



Special Events

Treasu(red)

treas·ure [trezh-er]

–noun

1. any thing or person greatly valued or highly prized

–verb (used with object)

2. to retain carefully or keep in store, as in the mind.

3. to regard or treat as precious; cherish.

MORP

Neon ruled the room this year as Morp went off with a bang. "Crave the Rave" was the theme for 2009, and the Student Council-sponsored event featured smoke machines, strobe lights, and a photo booth set up in the back. A special thanks to Student Council for making the event such a success.



ABOVE: Senior Addi Mirelez seems to be enjoying herself.

BELOW:
Incarnate Word students get lost in the neon.



ABOVE: Senior Marianne Medina enjoys her last MORP as an IWA student.



Left: Sophomore Catherine Fergie And Freshman Alyssa Gentry show off a smile in admiration of the work they did to make this the best homecoming ever.

Sophmores: Laura Flores, Ariana Mosenzadah congratulate their friend Sarah Green for being crowned "duchess"



Homecoming

A "Funhouse" Evening

The photographer catches Seniors Alex Solis and Cody Randall "all smiles".



At a circus people have fun and express themselves. Homecoming surely let the circus in each of us come out. The guys dressed to impress and the ladies brought out their party dresses. With the bright lights and colorful decorations, who wouldn't have a good time? Students showed off their hidden dance skills on the floor. The night truly created treasured memories from the flashing lights, the picture taking, the dancing, and of course the announcing of the 2010 Homecoming Court.



Seniors Minji An and Javier Cantu show off their dance moves together.



Dutchess Sophomore Sarah Green, Duke Freshmen Frank McNiff, King Senior Anthony Gibson, Queen Senior Jordan Allison, Prince Junior EJ Ysassi, and in memory of his sister Anyssa Hinojosa, the Princess, Oscar Hinojosa pose as the 2010 Homecoming Court.



(Above) Sophomore Danielle Mladenka and Freshman Hailey Patrick hit the dance floor.



(Above) Freshmen Victoria Parra and Katia Mendizabal play a quick game of poker between dances.



(Right) Freshmen Derek Ficenec, Michael Salloum, Alex Gonzales, and Sebastian Villamil smile for their first Favorites Dance.

Favorites

Casino Royale

(Below) Freshmen Lauren Saenz, Alegre Elizondo, and Matthew Morrison having a great



Favorites Week is a week filled with various entertaining activities, but none so entertaining as the impending Favorites Dance. This year's theme was "Casino Royal". Students came donning their suave suits and classy dresses, ready to dance the night away. Decks of cards and poker chips lined the tables for students to try their luck against each other. Overall, the night was filled with class, elegance, and good times.



(Above) Seniors Elani Duzich and Emily Nye get together for a pose during their last Favorites Dance.

Senior Favorites



BEST PERSONALITY:

BRIAN SMITH **ERIKA MAGDADARO**



MOST SUCCEEDING SLACKER:

SHELBY BLAIR, JOSHUA MATTHEWS

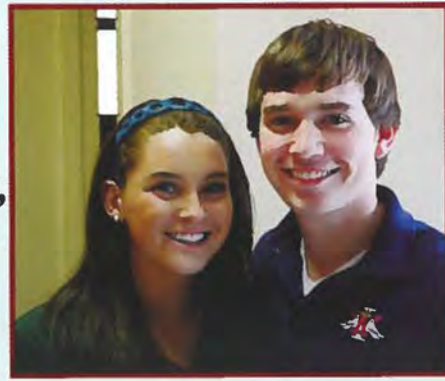


ELANI DUZICH

DANIEL MARTINEZ

MOST LIKELY TO TEACH AT IWA:

BEST SMILE:
SARAH MARTIN,
CODY RANDALL



ALEX
BAYSINGER



ALEX SOLIS

MOST
UNIQUE
STYLE

DRAMA
QUEEN:
KAYLA JONES,
JORDAN
CADENA



BIGGEST
MOOCHERS:
MINJI AN,
JORDAN
CADENA



THE NEXT
BILL GATES:
EMILY NYE,
FRANCISCO
HERNAIZ



NIKKI
TORRES

KYLE
SAENZ

MOST LIKELY
TO BE ON SNL:

BIGGEST FACEBOOK ADDICTS:
BETHANY KROEGER, ERIC KRAUSE



ALWAYS LATE:

ALEX SOLIS
HANNAH JARRELL



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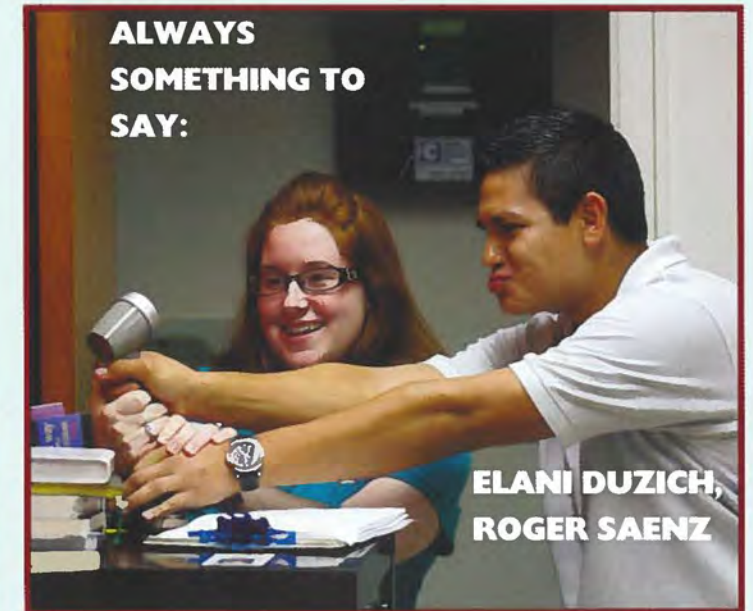
KYLE
SAENZ

MOST LIKELY
TO WIN AN OSCAR:



CLASS CLOWN

ALLIE MOORE,
KEVIN GREEN



ALWAYS
SOMETHING TO
SAY:

ELANI DUZICH,
ROGER SAENZ



JONATHAN LOPEZ

HANNAH
JARRELL

BIGGEST KLUTZ

Mrs. Quintero presents Junior, Steele Shaucher with an award in Science.



Below: Senor Martinez welcomes Senior, Minji Ann on stage to receive her Spanish award.



Awards Ceremony

The Academic Awards Ceremony for the students of Incarnate Word Academy is an assembly held with pride and honor. Students strive all year round to make the best grades, to win TAPPS competitions, and to be honored during this special assembly. This awards ceremony is to celebrate and congratulate all those students who worked tirelessly to achieve their goal.

Mr. Torres shakes Anthony Gibson's hand after presenting him with his awards.



From left to right: Seniors Taylor Van Leeuwen and James Fergie, Junior Monica Herbst, Seniors Javier Cantu and Elani Duzich, Junior Lydia Ayala, Sophomore Julia Baker, Junior John Hall, Sophomore Matthew Matl, and Senior Joshua Matthews stand together after getting their awards.



Right: Senior, Marianne Medina with Sister Catherine after being the first to receive the "Sister Mary Catherine Brehony Award".



Left: Senior, Erika Magadadaro and Sister Raquel get together for pictures after the Awards Ceremony.

Above: Sister Judith Marie looks on with Senior, Sarah Cooper at the many awards she received in Art.

Ring and Rose

Right: Excitedly, Senior Emily Nye and Junior Sarah Marruffo walk off the stage after their rose exchange.

Below: Senior Brianna Holden passes down her greatest wishes to Junior Chris Parra.



To celebrate the continuing traditions of Incarnate Word Academy, the seniors gathered together to pass down wisdom and guidance to the juniors. This ceremony is held near the end of every school year, honoring the passing down of six essential gifts. The following gifts are

passed, the Book representing academics from Jeff Bomer to Monica Herbst, the Trophy representing athletics from Brian Smith to Thomas Gonzalez, the Rose representing traditions and spirit from Brianna Holden to Ryan Camacho, the Gavel

and the Bible representing Student Council from Allie Moore to Steele Schauer, and the Candle representing spiritual life from Jordan Allison to Lydia Ayala. The ceremony itself represents the leadership skills and qualities attained by the Juniors and Seniors.



Above: Close friends Junior Chris Gover and Senior Curtis Corley share a hug while exchanging their rose.



Right: With mixed emotions, the Senior class of 2010 get ready to sing their senior song to the Junior class of 2011 as a farewell and a wish for good luck.



Left: Senior Joshua Mathews, Junior Richard Daughterty, and Senior Rick Yoon exchange not one but two roses.



Left: Best friends and physics buddies, Junior Joe Nash and Senior Eric Krause smile for the camera after the rose exchange.

Prom

An Evening In Athens...

As the school year comes to a close, the ultimate High School experiences are made. Prom is the Seniors' last chance for a last dance with their friends. It's a night to remember with memories that last forever. A lot of

effort went into the 2010 Prom of "An Evening In Athens". The Junior-Senior Prom allows the Junior Class and their sponsors to give the Seniors a formal sendoff, and thank them for being mentors throughout

the year. Special thanks goes to Kevin Plavich for creating a memorable light show for a night to remember.

Junior couple E.J. Yssasi and Georgi Elizondo pose for a quick picture to start off their night.

Below: With great light effects and great music, everyone hits the dance floor and has a good time.

Right: Showing off their best moves, Junior Ryan Camacho and Senior Nikki Torres leave it all on the dance floor.



Happy to be there, Seniors Shelby Blair and Brian Smith share memories at their last high school dance.

Above: An Evening In Athens Prom Court: Princess Alex Rossi, Duchess Brantly Bright, Prince Gilbert Rodriguez, Duchess Mary Jane Shea, Duke Kevin Park, Queen Erika Magdadaro, King Jaime Leon, and Duke E.J. Yssasi.



Left: Enjoying their date and dance, Senior Araceli Mirelez and Senior Alex Solis show off their matching colors.

Above: Having a great time, Senior and nominee Grant Seger and Junior Hallie Campbell smile as they get ready to hit the dance floor.



Left: Hats off! Congratulations class of 2010.

Below: Senior Best Friends Cody Randall, Matthew Rojas, and Alex Solis pose for their last Incarnate Word picture.



Below: Senior Elani Duzich processes in with the other "top 10" students.

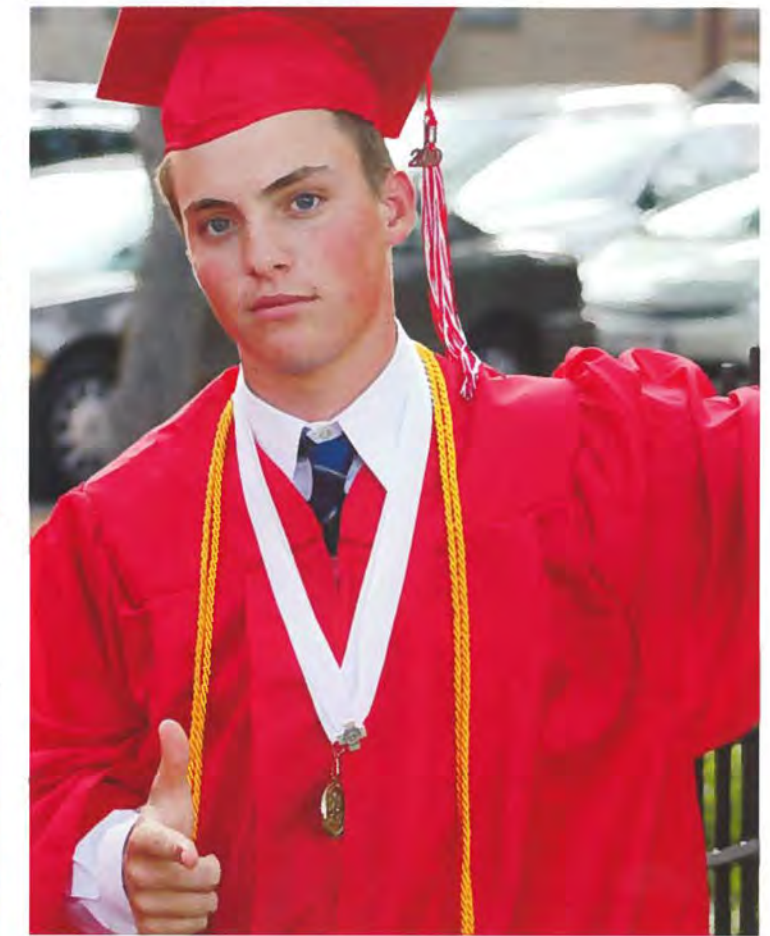


Valedictorian Emily Nye addresses her fellow classmates.



Saluditorian Jeff Bomer addresses his fellow classmates.

Below: Senior Grant Seger waits outside for a picture with his class and the bishop.



Senior Roger Saenz gives the camera a "big thumbs up" as he gets ready to enter the ceremony.

Graduation 2010

Graduation is a day of mixed emotions and feelings. For many Seniors they cannot believe the day has finally come. It is a special day that is anticipated from the very moment a student begins their high school career. This year's graduation ceremony was full of laughter, love, and shared memories. From the speeches given by Valedictorian Emily Nye and Saluditorian Jeff Bomer, to the roses given to their parents by the graduates, the night was something the graduating class of 2010 will never forget.



Senior Lauren Hansen is showing off her excitement as she processes in.



People

Featu(red)

fea·tured [fee-cherd]

-adjective

1. made a feature or highlight; given prominence: a featured article; a featured actor.

2. having features or a certain kind of features (usually used in combination): a well-featured face.

3. Obsolete . formed; fashioned.

Faculty

The faculty is an important part of Incarnate Word Academy. Many of the teachers come to school early, give up their lunch periods, and stay after school to offer students extra tutoring to ensure that each student has the best education possible. The faculty also works endless hours developing lesson plans and other material for the next day of instruction. The administration is also an important part of the faculty, making sure that the school days run smoothly for everyone.



Mr. Perrone participates in his class's hovercraft activity.



Mrs. Hernandez shows off her new crown.



Mrs. Edwards shelves books in the library.

Luke Aguilar
 Jose Alvarez
 Sister Catherine Brehony
 Sister Patricia Burns
 Connie Cadena
 Alain Carriere

 Nancy Cerda
 Lori Cruz
 James De Hoyos
 Sister Eileen Doherty
 Darren Dreyer
 Susan Edwards

 Mary Espinosa
 Sister Anna Marie Espinosa
 Jessica Everhart
 Joe Fish
 JoAnn Garcia
 Reynaldo Garcia



Joanna Grubaugh
 Debra Hernandez
 Joe Hernandez
 Laura Ibarra
 Charles Imbergamo
 Paul Jimenez

 Juan Martinez
 Justin Cody Martinez
 Dick McClure
 Karen Morrow
 Stephanie Myers
 Sister Raquel Newman

 Sister M Martha O'Gara
 Mary M Orf
 Marc Ortiz
 Steve Penley
 Ray Perrone
 Daniel Quintero

Sandra Quintero
Priscilla Ramos
Erica Rangel
David Rodriguez
Sr. Judith Marie Saenz
David Screws



Nicole Sears
Malcolm Smith
Ashley Stark
Christopher Stephenson
Nickie Stillman
Gerry Thomson



Jose Torres
Kathy Towers
Sandra Trevino
Mary Vasquez
Casper Wenzel
Diane Whitworth



Miriam Winkler
Mitzi Witt



“Teaching is the profession that teaches all the other professions.”
- Author Unknown

“Teaching is not a lost art, but the regard for it is a lost tradition.”
- Jacques Barzun



Cafeteria Staff
Front Row: Aurora Saenz, Bianca Ortiz, and Lupe Borunda.
Back Row: Edward Cruz and Ray Ramirez

Freshman

It's the moment we have all been waiting for : high school. It's time to be totally free from uniforms, no homework slips, violations. But, unfortunately, now we are faced with more responsibility. We used to be featured in the biggest photos and events when we were in eighth grade, but now we have to work our way to the top. We have parted from our friends in middle school but we helped each other with the journey. There have been upsides to freshman year, though. We have made new friends, we have had awesome teachers, school dances, and parties. But the most important thing we have accomplished is inspiring each other to grow spiritual and we helped each other survive the “fish fry”.



Right: On Tree: Tyler Suarez, On Bench: Sebastian Villimal and Zachary Martin. On The Floor: Elizabeth Kirkland (Right) and Brittany Donald.



Madison Aboud
Raymond Acebo
Ashley Arriaga
Nikki Atkinson



Lauren Ayala
Shannay Baradaran
Alex Barrera
Dakota Beal
Jaime Bibby
Dan Bomer
Avery Bottom



Jackson Bright
J.L. Bronold
Max Buchan
Brianna Calderon
Clarissa Carreon
Eduardo Castro
Jacob Clark



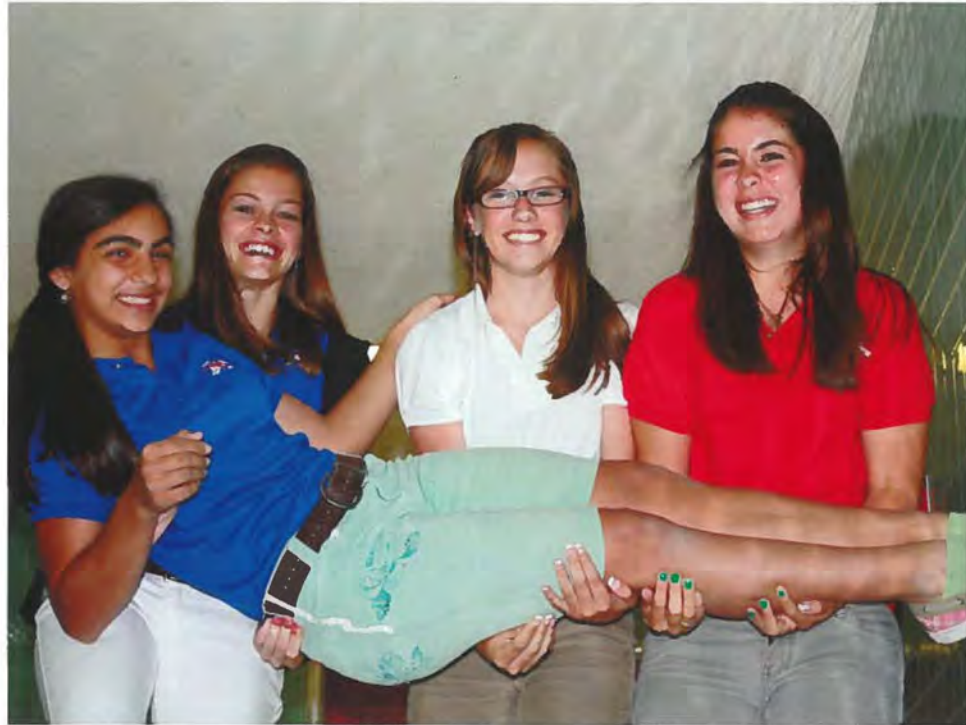
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Kara Davis
Trent Dimas
Brittany Donald
Annabelle Dura
Kayla Dural
Alegre Elizondo



Ariana Escobar
Gabrielle Estringel
Cristian Fernandez
Derek Ficene
Paul Freeman
Danielle Garcia
Jacob Garza



At a track meet, Jackson Bright and Rob McMillan are ready to run the next event.



Above: Shannay Baradaran (Front) Madison Longwell, Mallory Sico, and Alex Barrera show what life outside the classroom is like.



Above: Sam Hudson, Cristian Moreno, and Cristian Fernandez give the camera a smile.



Above: Best friends Gabi Rendon, Hailey Patrick and Ariana Escobar take a break from the pep rally action and lend a smile.

Alyssa Gentry
Alex Gonzales
Madison Groesbeck
Chelsea Guerra
Richie Haas
Michael Harrington
Dodie Heredia



Patrick Hickham
Taylor Hubbard
Samuel Hudson
Annie Jaime
Margaret Kainer
Elizabeth Kirkland
Kateri Kroeger



Jerry Leal
Arnoldo Leon
Kaitlin Lindell
Kevin Lira
Madison Longwell
Samantha Maclachlan
Kanya Maliwan



Zachary Martin
Mario Martinez
Kelvie Mason
Rob McMillan
Frank McNiff
Katia Mendizabal
Clarra Moore



Cristian Moreno
Matthew Morrison
Lance Newton
Bill Niswonger



J.D. Noyola
Andrew Orgill
Mia Pannone
Victoria Parra
Hailey Patrick
Victor Perez
Garrett Pfeil



Deanna Ramirez
Gabriella Rendon
Daniela Rivera
Olivia Rodriguez
Lauren Saenz
Michael Salloum
Hayley Sanchez



Miranda Saucedo
Andrew Shull
Mallory Sico
Jason Simank
Kevin Smith
Benjamin Sorrell
Gilberto Sosa



Chandler Squires
Tyler Suarez
Andrew Thomas
Erika Tijerina
Michael Tinning
Lillian Valladares
Sebastian Villamil

Sophomores

If you were to ask a sophomore what their favorite part of being a sophomore is, chances are they would say something along the lines of, "Not being a freshman!" As sophomores, students enjoy more freedoms such as staying out later and obtaining the all important driver's license. Although, with more freedoms comes more responsibility. Sophomores took AP classes, were given greater amounts of homework, and had an overall greater stress level. Through it all, the sophomores persevered and made this their best year ever.

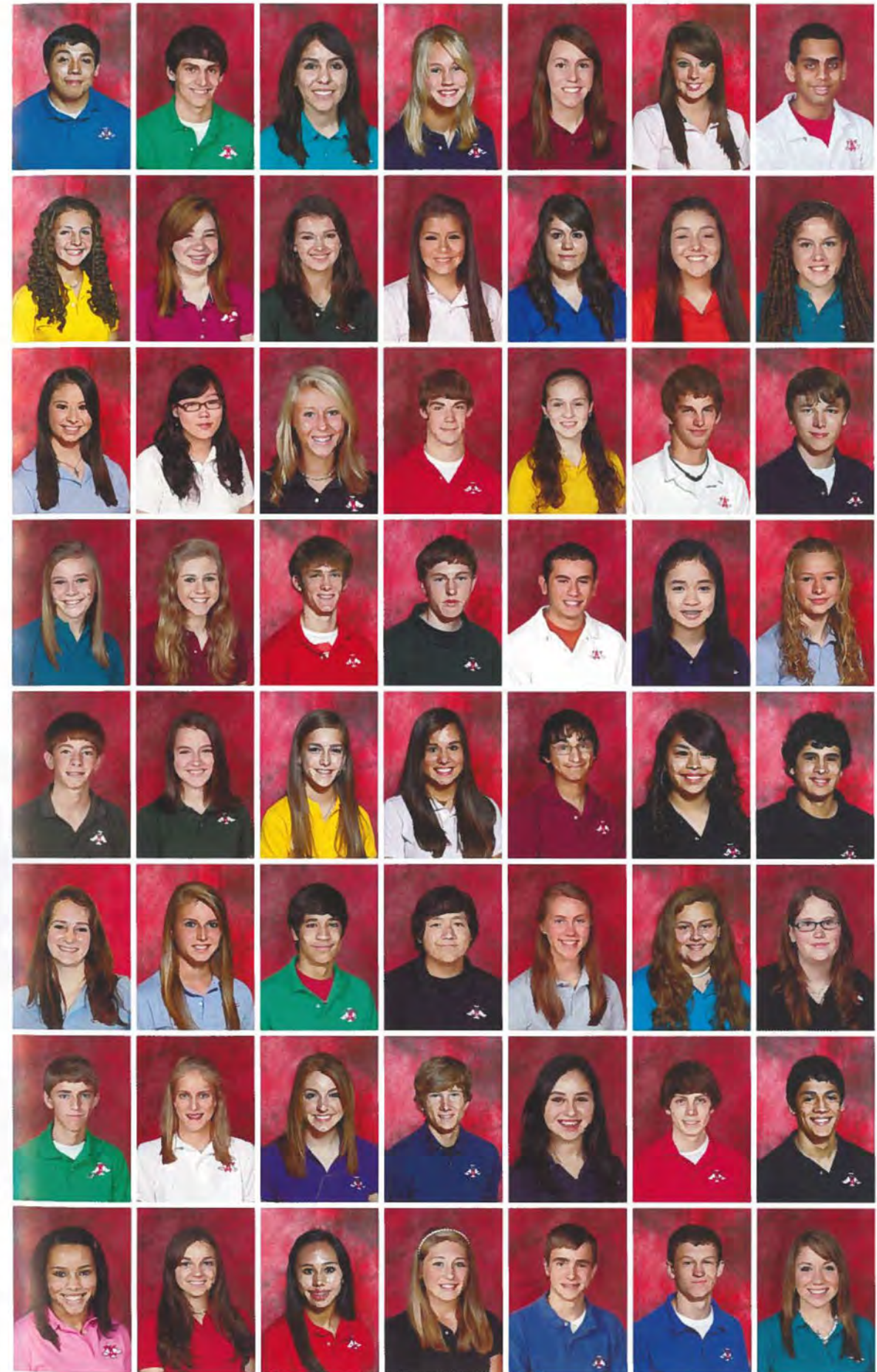


(Right) Sophomore Carolina Rivera recites a monologue during her Theater Arts class.

(Below) Sophomore Zach Pekar focuses his mind on the impending race at the Regional Track Meet.



(Right) Sophomore Sarah Green figures out her homework during Mrs. Winkler's fifth period Algebra II class.



Dylan Alaniz
Patrick Allman
Jaevea Alvarez
Alex Armstrong
Julia Baker
Lacey Beal
Parixit Bhaktu

Alyssa Biggins
Brianna Bostick
Samantha Brozo
Lauren Cabello
Emma Camarena
Marissa Carreon
Claudia Casas

Amris Chacon
Haley Chang
Camilla Childs
Clayton Cobbs
Danielle Compian
Fritz Cook
Garrett Cox

Caroline Cutbirth
Hannah Dodson
Matt Droppa
Jackson Duncan
John Dunne
Megan Duyongco
Catherine Fergie

Shelby Fincher
Annie Flanigan
Mary Ellen Flood
Laura Flores
Brett Garcia
Gabriela Garcia
Bobby Garza

Evelyn Gayle
Amelia Gonzalez
James Gonzalez
Trevor Gonzalez
Sarah Green
Hannah Grunwald
Sarah Hall

Cody Hammond
Alex Harrel
Kara Hays
Remy Huston
Raquel Kaspryzk
Corey Kerr
Cameron Knox

Maria Kroeger
Lauren Kuffel
Kristine Madrid
Clara Marti
Matthew Matl
Matthew McClung
Danielle Mladenka

“The literal translation of 'sophomore' is wise idiot. I found that to be true this year. I was smarter than I was last year, but I still got to act immature sometimes!”

-Fritz Cook



(Right) Sophomore Alex Oliveira shows off his hula hooping skills at a pep rally.

(Below) Sophomore Jessica Yang checks at the sunset during half time of a soccer game against John Paul II High School.



(Right) Sophomore Mary Ellen Flood poses for a quick picture at the Sophomore retreat.



Ariana Mohsenzadeh
Joseph Morrison
Miles Novak
Alex Oliveira
Zach Pekar
Teresa Perez
Tommy Pesek

Karissa Rangel
Christina Rivas
Carolina Rivera
Maria Rivera
Christina Robertson
Adrian Rodriguez
Karly Rodriguez

Bitu Salamat
John Salas
Regina Salinas
Nathan Sears
Meredith Sico
Samantha Skurka
Clara Tamez

Vicky Torres
Miranda Trevino
Trey Turner
Corina Villarreal
Jessica Yang



(Above) Students take a break from the activities of the Sophomore retreat and jump rope.

Juniors

Consisting of sixty-four students, three years of high school experience, and already a lifetime of memories. Whether you have been attending Incarnate Word Academy for the entirety of a high school career or for just one year, the unity of the graduating class of 2011 is obvious. Some may consider this year the hardest since it is filled with: PSATs, SATs, preparing for college, and competing for the spot of Valedictorian, but it is only leading to our future. This year is a prominent year for the Class of 2011, consisting of many late nights cramming for tests, many inside jokes, and great times spent with fellow classmates.

Right: Junior Lydia Ayala takes a quick peek at The Wizard of Oz while dressed up like Dorothy.

Below: Junior Patrick Hoffman anxiously waits for Physics class to begin.



Left: Junior Kristen Martin sits, smiles, and relaxes while enjoying the talks from Sr. Eileen.

Below: Juniors Simon Samaniego, Aaron Aleman, and Patrick Morales pause for a quick picture during Favorites week.



Rita Acebo
Lauren Alanis
Aaron Aleman
Jj Arizmendi
Lydia Ayala
Charles Baker

Ryan Bibby
Emily Bissell
Brantly Bright
Ryan Camacho
Hallie Campbell
Chris Chavarria

Stephanie Connor
Alec Cotten
Richard Daugherty
Georgie Elizondo
Tyler Gentry
Thomas Gonzalez



Right: Junior E.J. Ysassi gets caught while in the act of being the class clown.

Chris Gover
Hudson Hall
John Hall
Joey Hammock
Caitlin Hart
Monica Herbst



Anysa Hinojosa
Patrick Hoffman
Doris Hynes
Puyoung Kim
Sam Koury
Jordan Kudlicki



Jorge Leon
Brenda Lira
Jd Longoria
Maddie Lu
Leandra Lugo
Christian Manzano



Sarah Marruffo
Kristen Martin
Kylene McCarty
John Medary
Amber Mora
Patrick Morales



Above: Juniors Sam Schauer and John Medary are caught paying attention during an afternoon class.

Right: Juniors Doris Hynes, Chloe Ochoa, and Alex Rossi smile for the camera as they show off their favorite team jerseys for Favorite's Week.



Joe Nash
Sam Novak
Chloe Ochoa
Chris Parra
Roy Riojas
Gilbert Rodriguez



Kourtney Rodriguez
Sean Rodriguez
Alexandria Rossi
Liza Salloum
Simon Samaniego
Sam Schauer



Steele Schauer
Oscar Schechter
Mary Jane Shea
Allison Sirimanotham
Alora Suarez
Kyle Thomas



Kayla Trevino
Ej Ysassi



Left: Junior Kyle Thomas poses in his panda suit while campaigning for Student Body Vice President.

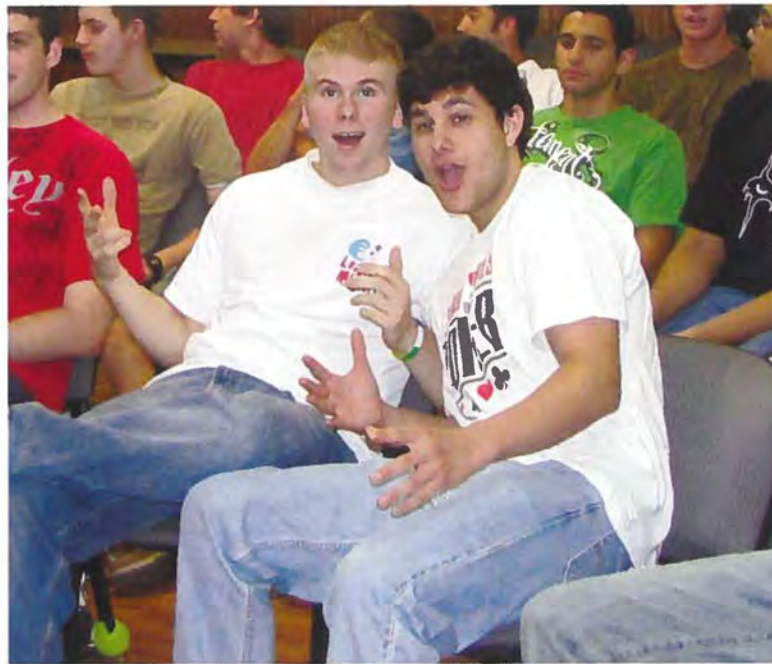
Below: Juniors Kourtney Rodriguez and Kayla Trevino relax during the lunch break.



Seniors

Graduating Class of 2010

Right: Best friends Eric Krause and Matthew Rojas.



Left: Some of our seniors gathering in the back of Kevin Park's truck during one of the breaks at the retreat.



Above: Curtis Corley and Andrea Ramos relax in the shade during the Senior retreat.



Right: Jonathan Groesbeck smiles for the camera after one of the athletes masses.



Above: Brian Smith studying in Sr. Pat's Theology class.



Above: Mary Allman, Rhonnie Embres, and Briana Cox at the Homecoming dance.

Jordan Allison



"Always be yourself, no one can ever tell you you're doing it wrong."



Mary Allman



"Okay guys, I'm really starting to feel the pressure!"
-Sister Raquel



Victoria Alvarado



"I love people who make me laugh. I honestly think it's the thing I like the most to laugh. It cures a multitude of ills. It's probably the most important thing in a person."
-Audrey Hepburn



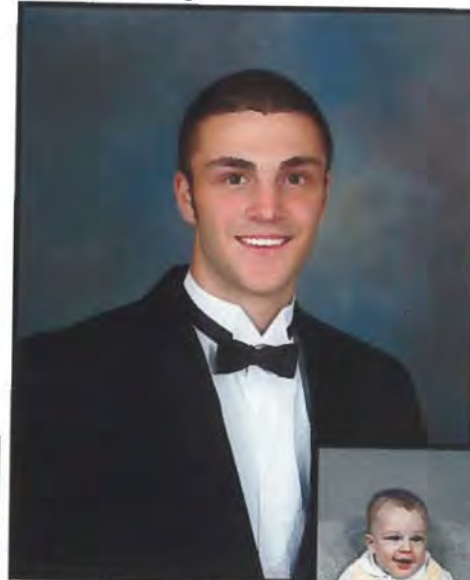
Jeff Bomer



"Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away."
-Maya Angelou



Trey Buhidar



"The only way of finding the limits of the possible is by going beyond them into the impossible."
-Arthur C. Clarke



Jordan Cadena



"Everything I'm not made me everything I am."
-Kanye West



Minji An



"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you will go!"
-Dr. Seuss



Alex Baysinger



"Tuck in your shirt!" -
Every teacher I've ever had



Shelby Blair



"Wrinkles will only go where the smiles have been."
-Jimmy Buffet



Ana Camarena



"Your future depends on many things, but mostly on you." -Unknown



Javier Cantu



"If at first you don't succeed, redefine what you did as success."
-Stephen Colbert



Ronika Cavazos



"Ability may get you to the top, but it takes character to keep you there." - John Wooden



Sarah Cooper



"There's more to living than being alive."

Curtis Corley



"Do not spoil what you have by desiring what you have not; remember that what you have was once among the things you only hoped for."
-Epicurus

J.D. Cortez



"I'm very fortunate to be doing the thing I do best, which is play guitar. There aren't many other things I could do."
-Kirk Hammett

Rhonnie Embres



"I would rather be absolutely ridiculous than absolutely boring."
-Marilyn Monroe

James Fergie



"If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can move mountains."

Marissa Fernandez



"Hope Always"

Briana Cox



"Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always preserves. Love never fails."

Trevor Davidson



"Every breath you take is not a right, but a gift."

Elani Duzich



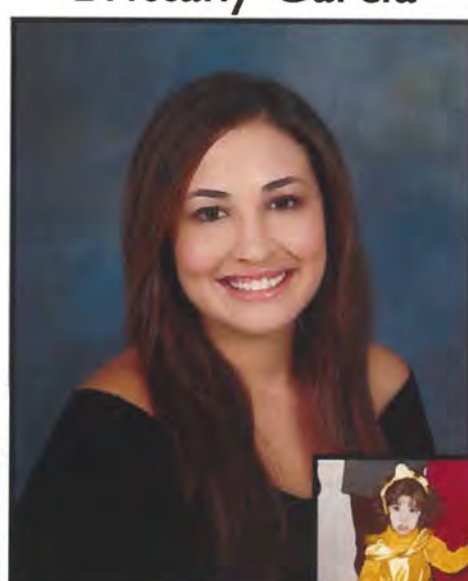
"There was never a saint with red hair." - Russian Proverb

Taylor Gallagher



"The force is strong in this one..."
-Star Wars

Brittany Garcia



"Carpe Diem"

Anthony Gibson



"Hey. Don't ever let somebody tell you. You can't do something. Not even me. You got a dream, you gotta protect it. People can't do somethin' themselves, they wanna tell you you can't do it. If you want somethin', go get it. Period." -Will Smith, The Pursuit of Happyness

Kevin Green



"I made you a present, you'll never accept it. And when you unravel it the secret will travel. It's hard to take risks with a pessimist. I hope that this shaking will help us awaken."-Menomona

Jonathan Groesbeck



"Don't be afraid to reach out on a limb because that is where the fruit is." - Erich Kerr

Gladys Gutierrez



"Limitations live only in our minds. But if we use our imaginations, our possibilities become limitless." -Jaime Paolinetti

Jerry Hunsaker



"I am a very strong believer in luck and I find the harder I work, the more I have of it." Benjamin Franklin

Hannah Jarrell



"Failure is the condiment that gives success its flavor." -Truman Capote

Kayla Jones



"Today you are you, that is truer than true. There is no one alive who is youer than you." -Dr. Seuss

Lauren Hansen



"Tuesdays are pointless. It's not the beginning, it's not the middle, and it's not the end. They're just there to irritate you."

Francisco Hernaiz



"Last night I lay in my bed looking up at the stars in the sky and I thought to myself, where the heck is the ceiling?!"

Brianna Holden



"Do what you do, and then some, and God will do the rest." -Andrea DeLeon

Kate Kainer



"Are you suggesting coconuts migrate?" -Monty Python Holy Grail

Erich Kerr



"Strive to improve all that exists; if it does not exist, design it."

Michael Kozlowski



"Don't be afraid to give up the good to go for the great." -Steve Prefontaine

Eric Krause



"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts."
-Winston Churchill

Bethany Kroeger



"In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: it goes on."
-Robert Frost

Brendan Langan



"Don't worry about the world coming to an end today, it is already tomorrow in Australia."
-Charles Schulz

Krista Lopez



"So much to do, so much to see, so what's wrong with taking the backstreet? You'll never know if you don't go, you'll never shine if you don't glow."

Erika Magdadaro



"Perseverance- a lowly virtue whereby meritocracy achieves an ingenious success."

Sarah Martin



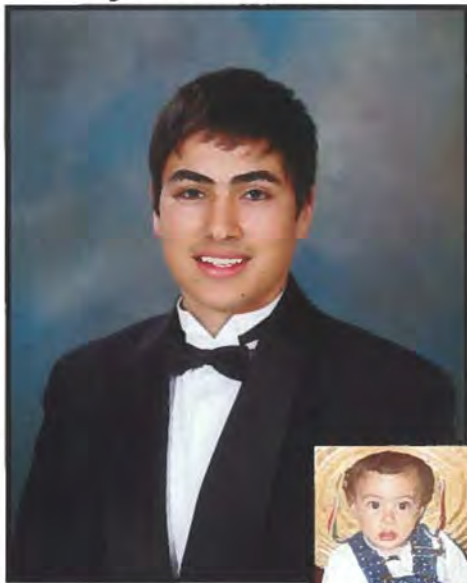
"Those who dwell among the beauties and mysteries of the earth are never alone or weary of life."
- Rachel Carson

Aideth Leon



"High school is a lot like toilet paper, you only miss it when it's gone."
-Kate Kulikoua

Jaime Leon



"Deep waters cannot quench love, nor floods sweep it away. Were one to offer all he owns to purchase love, he would be roundly mocked."
-Song of Songs 8: 7

Jonathan Lopez



"Courage is something everyone has, but only a few people actually use it."
-Jonathan Lopez

C.J. Martinez



"What you leave behind is not what is engraved in stone monuments, but what is woven into the lives of others."
-Pericles

Daniel Martinez



"If you do your best, that's all you can do. Don't hold back."

Joshua Matthews



"Today you are you, that is truer than true. There is no one alive who is youer than you."
-Dr. Seuss

Frank McMillan



"First gain the victory and then make the best use of it you can."
-Horatio Nelson

Marianne Medina



"And in the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years."
-Abraham Lincoln

Araceli Mirelez



"Conquer the devils with a little thing called love."
-Bob Marley

Hillary Pena



"All of us are in the gutter, some of us are just looking at the stars."
-Anonymous

Lynn Pham



"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

Kevin Plavich



"It may be said with a degree of assurance that not everything that meets the eye is as it appears."
-Rob Serling

Allie Moore



"To me, fearless is not the absence of fear...fearless is living in spite of those things that scare you to death."
-Taylor Swift

Emily Nye



"Fight the good of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called."
-1 Timothy 6: 12

Kevin Park



"Reality is easy. It's deception that's the hard work."
-Laurn Hill

Andrea Ramos



"If you love, love with all you heart. If you play, play with all your might. If you work, work with all your soul. For these are the things that make a person whole."

Cody Randall



"They say that nobody is perfect. Then they tell you practice makes perfect. I wish they'd make up their minds."
-Wilt Chamberlain

Kristin Rincon



"Art isn't my obsession, it's my passion."

Stephanie Rivas



"The sweet is never as sweet without the sour. And I know sour, which allows me to appreciate the sweet." -Vanilla Sky



Elizabeth Robertson



"To love another is to see the face of God." - Victor Hugo



Matt Rojas



"Action is the foundational key to all success." -Pablo Picasso



Ben Sheinberg



"You can't help them... they have to help themselves." -Jigsaw (Saw IV)



Brian Smith



"But it ain't how hard you hit; it's about how hard you can get hit, and keep moving forward. How much you can take, and keep moving forward. That's how winning is done." -Rocky



Lauren Smithwick



"When we long for a life without difficulties, remind us that oaks grow strong in contrary winds and diamonds are made under pressure." -Peter Marshall



Kyle Saenz



"The pure present is an ungraspable advance of the past devouring the future. In truth, all sensation is already memory." -Haruki Murakami



Roger Saenz



"[Insert quote here.]"



Grant Seger



"Texas is neither southern nor western. Texas is Texas." -Senator William Blakley



Alex Solis



"It's all whatevs." - Alexander Trinidad Solis



Nikki Torres



"I could follow you to the beginning just to relive the start, maybe then we'd remember to slow down at all of our favorite parts." - Paramore



Angela Trevino



"Make jokes, no stress, love, live, like, proceed, progress." -Dwayne Michael Carter Jr.



Taylor Van Leeuwen



"Language is just the barrier to our true feelings. Don't let it hinder you."

Catlin Wang



"For the beautiful eyes, look for the good in others; for beautiful lips, speak only words of kindness; and for poise, walk with the knowledge that you are never alone."

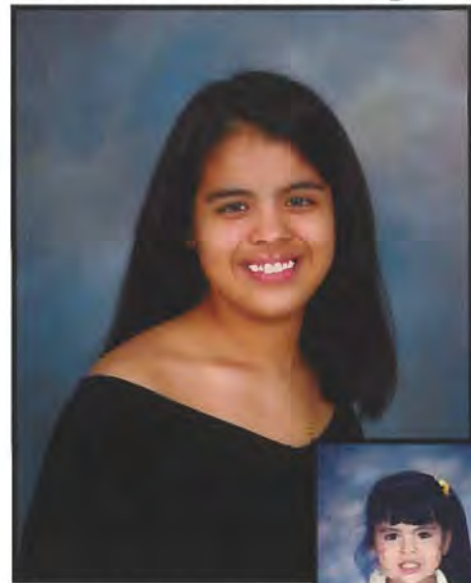
-Audrey Hepburn

Rick Yoon



"I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work." -Thomas Edison

Christina Zuniga



"You never know what being strong is until being strong is your only option."

-Anonymous

"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover."

Mark Twain

Gladys Gutierrez and Aideth Leon smile together at Prom.



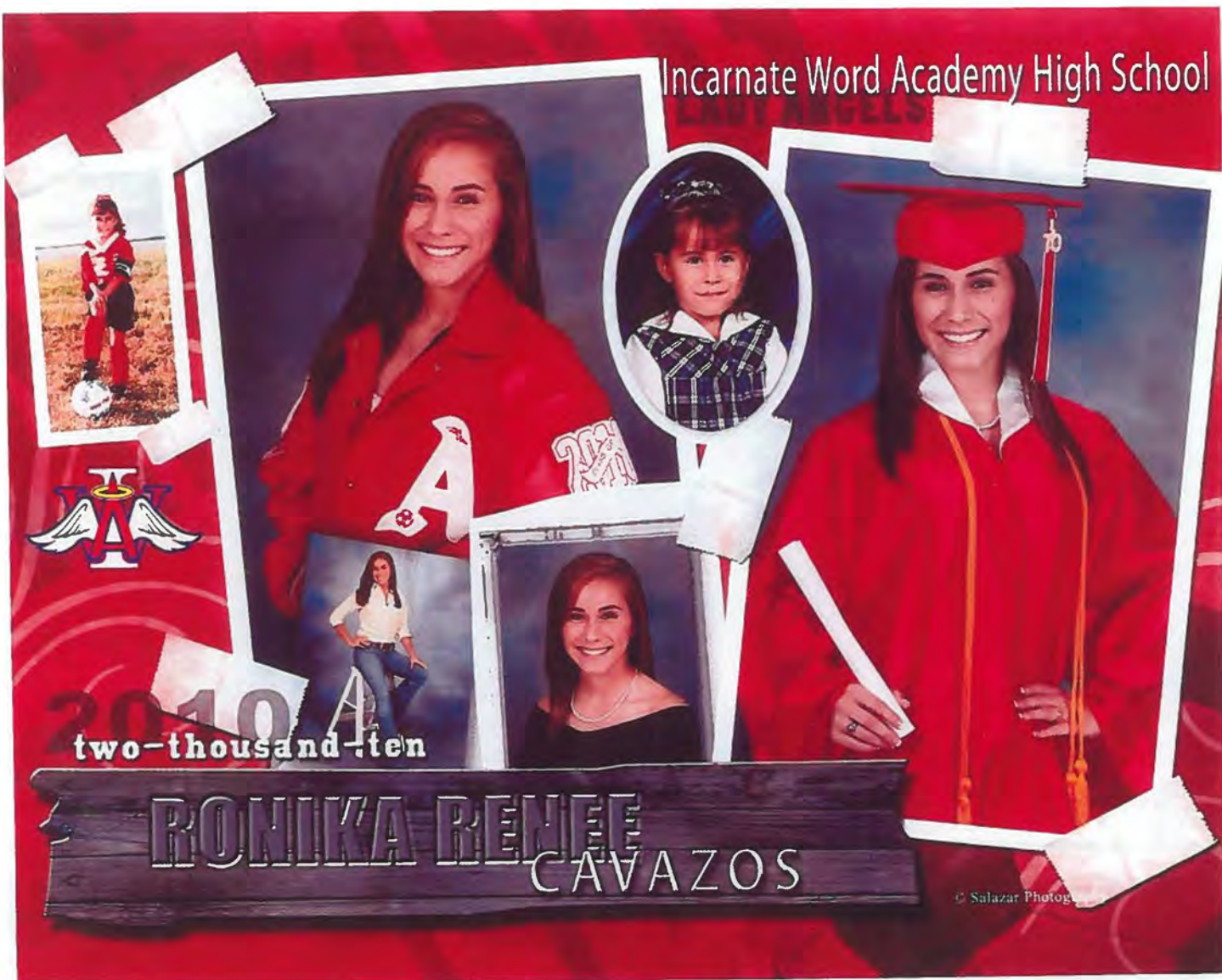
Anthony Gibbson and Erica Magdadarro serve themselves at the NHS breakfast.



Daniel Martinez practices his choir piece during 7th period.



Sarah Martin working on her Webmastering projects.



Congratulations!

Climb high, climb far,

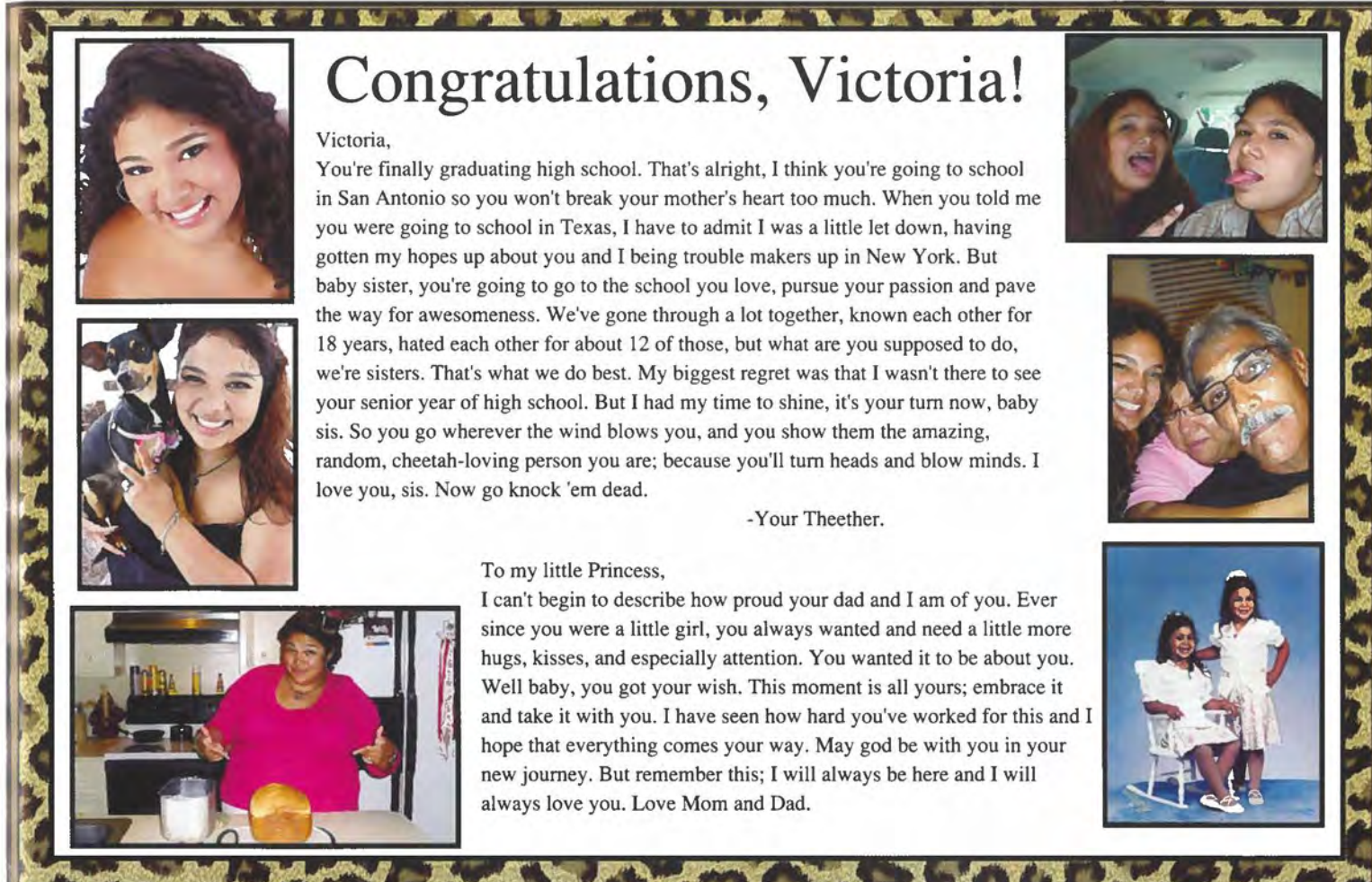
your goal the sky, your aim the stars!

Best wishes, we love you so much!

God bless you always.

Daddy, Grandpa, Grandma & Rj

Smile & Have Confidence!



Congratulations, Victoria!

Victoria,
You're finally graduating high school. That's alright, I think you're going to school in San Antonio so you won't break your mother's heart too much. When you told me you were going to school in Texas, I have to admit I was a little let down, having gotten my hopes up about you and I being trouble makers up in New York. But baby sister, you're going to go to the school you love, pursue your passion and pave the way for awesomeness. We've gone through a lot together, known each other for 18 years, hated each other for about 12 of those, but what are you supposed to do, we're sisters. That's what we do best. My biggest regret was that I wasn't there to see your senior year of high school. But I had my time to shine, it's your turn now, baby sis. So you go wherever the wind blows you, and you show them the amazing, random, cheetah-loving person you are; because you'll turn heads and blow minds. I love you, sis. Now go knock 'em dead.

-Your Theether.

To my little Princess,

I can't begin to describe how proud your dad and I am of you. Ever since you were a little girl, you always wanted and need a little more hugs, kisses, and especially attention. You wanted it to be about you. Well baby, you got your wish. This moment is all yours; embrace it and take it with you. I have seen how hard you've worked for this and I hope that everything comes your way. May god be with you in your new journey. But remember this; I will always be here and I will always love you. Love Mom and Dad.



God truly blessed us the day he put you in our life. We are so proud of the beautiful young lady you've turned out to be. "Butterfly fly away."

Love you,
Dad, Mom, Zach, & Cris



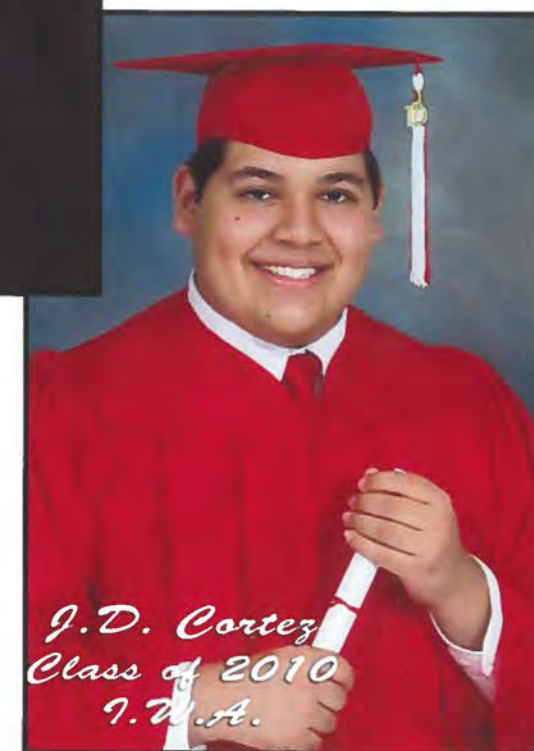
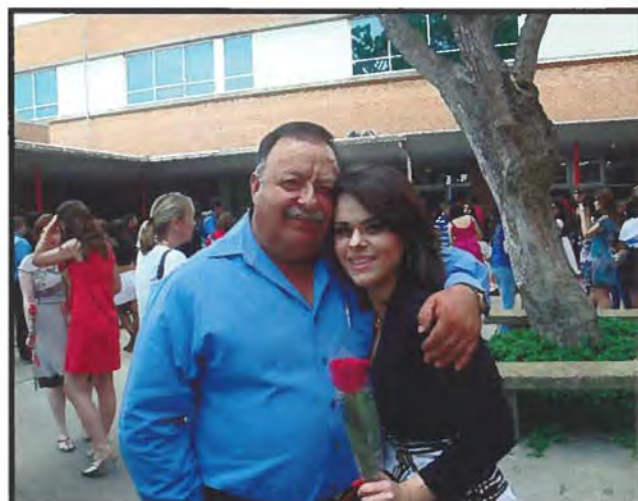
Anna Aideth León



Estamos muy orgullosos de ti. Deseamos que tengas mucho éxito en tu vida. Sigue siendo la niña Buena y estudiosa que siempre has sido. Que Dios te bendiga, te cuide, y te guie siempre por el buen camino. Te queremos mucho y muchas felicidades. Tus hermanos y nosotros deseamos que te vaya bien en la Universidad y que te realices como la profesional que quieres ser.

Con mucho amor,

Tus padres, Marissa, Nancy, Ivan, e Itza



J.D.,
 For every ending
 There's a new beginning
 For every moment
 A dream ahead.
 Fear not that you might make a mistake
 In believing your dream.
 "Why not go out, on a limb, After all
 isn't that where the fruit is?"
 Love, Dad

J.D.,
 Young man, my son,
 my joy and my heart,
 You've reached the end
 only to find a new start.
 The world sees a young man
 of great faith, gentle heart and sincere smile,
 but behind the man,
 I will always see my child.

Love, Mom

*J.D. Cortez
 Class of 2010
 J.D.A.*



With God, family and friends, the world is your stage! Seize, cherish, and make the best life. We will always be there for you. With all of our love and prayers, Mom, Dad, Hunter, & Kelsey



TO MY BEAUTIFUL DAUGHTER, BRITTANY

CONGRATULATIONS! IT IS HARD TO BELIEVE THIS DAY IS HERE. I AM VERY PROUD OF YOU AND EVERYTHING YOU HAVE ACCOMPLISHED.

I KNOW YOU WILL ACHIEVE ALL YOUR GOALS AND DREAMS!

I LOVE YOU VERY MUCH!

LOVE, MOM

GO COUGARS!



CJ, you are and will always be the star in our lives. We love you, Mom and Dad



Chini, Siempre serás mi angelito. Te quiero mucho, Maita 2010



**Congratulations
Choo Choo!**

**We love you!
Mom, Dad, Noah & Sally,
Eleanor, and Hallie**



Edward (Trey) Buhidar, III

*"Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail."
Ralph Waldo Emerson*



*May your future be filled with hope, joy, and love. We are proud of you and dearly love you.
Mom, Dad, Evan, and Mary*

*Jordan
Mica
Vera
Allison*

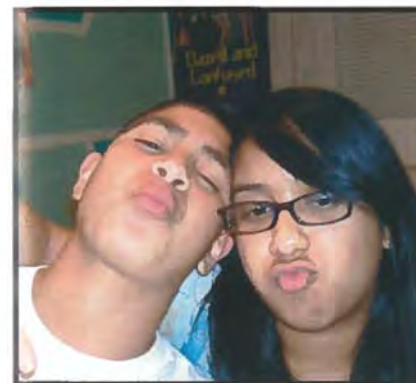


*When you smile
the whole world smiles with you.....*

*Love,
Mom and Dad xx*



Congratulations Roger!
To a great son, brother,
cousin, and friend, we wish
you all the best in the
world!



Elizabeth Ashley,

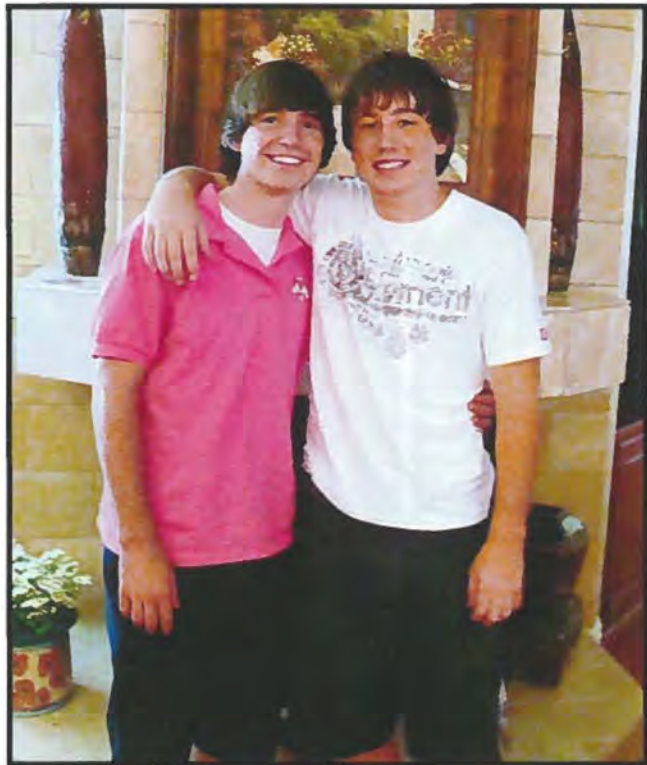
*Since the day you were
born, you've given us
countless reasons to
thank God. He made
you unique and
beautiful and gifted you
as an expression of His
goodness.*

*We love you,
Mom, Dad, and
Christina*



Congratulations!

Cody Randall



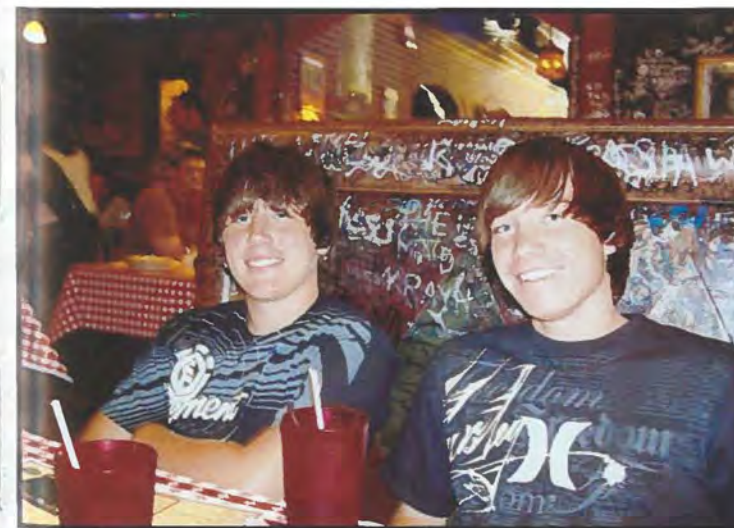
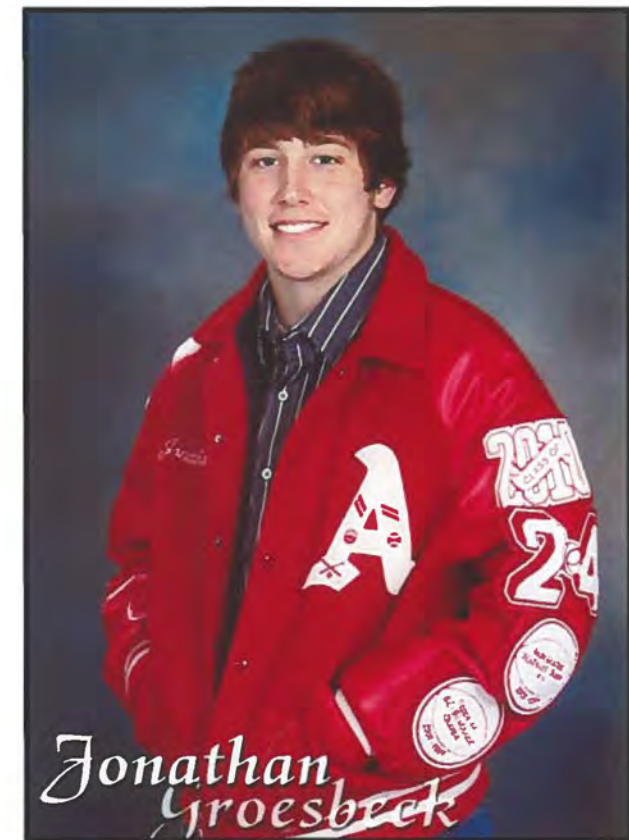
"I don't believe an accident of birth makes people sisters or brothers. It makes them siblings, not always friends. But when



Jonathan Groesbeck

you find a good friend that you think of as a sibling, then that is what true friendship is about."

-Unknown



**Lauren Brooke Hansen
Class of 2010**



"Take delight in the Lord, and He will give you the desires of your heart." Psalm 37:4

***We love you very very very very much!
Mom, Dad, Giselle,
Grandma and Grandpa***



In looking back at your childhood years we realize how God has blessed us. May you follow your dreams and enjoy life's journey.

***Congratulations
Kyle Martin Saenz
Class of 2010***

***Love,
Mom and Dad***



"Life is a gift, and if we agree to accept it, we must contribute in return. When we fail to contribute, we fail to adequately answer why we are here."

~ Albert Einstein

Congratulations Anthony!

We are so proud of all your accomplishments in high school. We look forward to more accomplishments in College and beyond.

*We love you,
Dad, Gen, Lauren, & Andrew.*

Gladys Gutierrez



Muchas felicidades por terminar un gran capitulo de tu vida, estamos muy orgullosos nosotros tus padres al igual que tus hermanos. Queremos que sepas que te queremos mucho y pase lo que pase nosotros, tu familia, siempre vamos a estar a tu lado apoyandote en todo. Que Dios te bendiga, te cuide, te guie, y te protega en esta nueva etapa de tu vida, y queremos que sigas por un buen paso haciendo lo que te haga ser una persona feliz, y que siempre mantengas una sonrisa como siempre. Mucha suerte!

Te desean con mucho amor y cariño,

Tus padres, Angel, Ronnie, y nuestro angelito que te cuida desde el cielo.



Allie Moore

Strength and dignity
are her clothing,
and she smiles at the future.
Proverbs 31:25

CONGRATULATIONS JORDAN!
WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!
LOVE, MOM, DAD, JUSTIN, JARAN,
& GRANDMA



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ISLANDERS
JORDAN CADEMA



Lauren Cabello

CONGRATS
COACH GATOR
AND
GOLF TEAM!