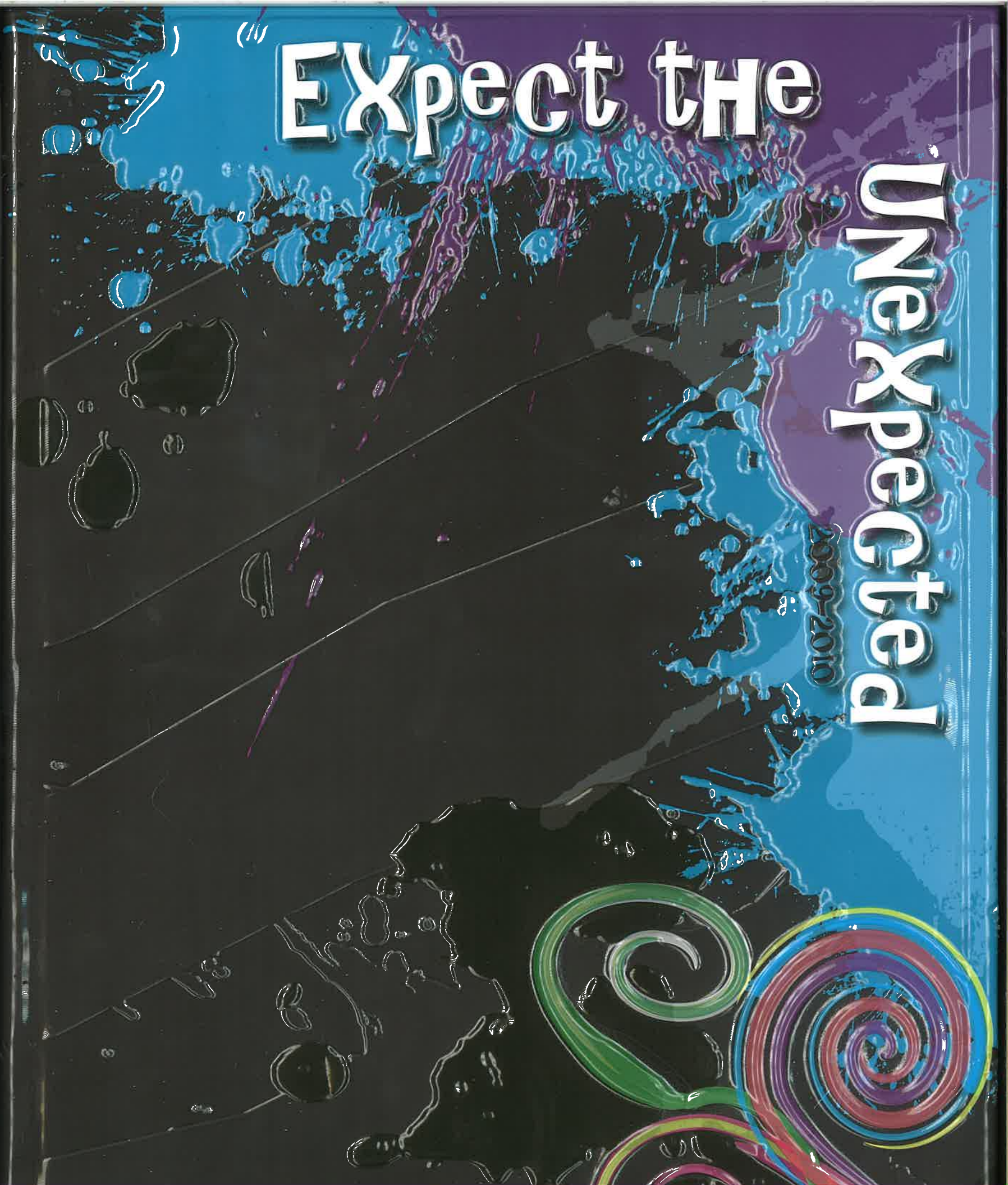


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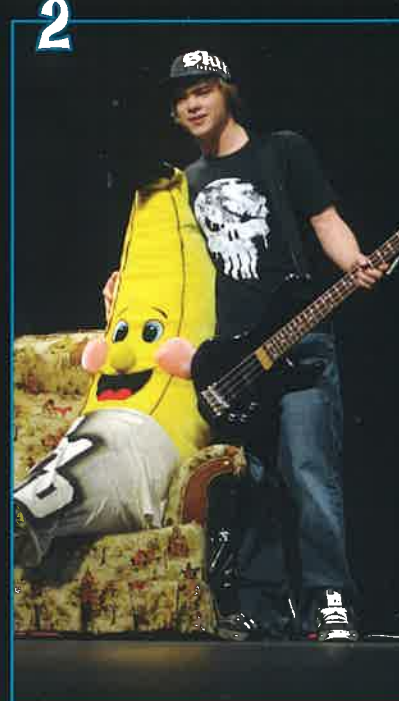
Unexpected

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1 Presenting their Cinco de Mayo project, juniors Jean Luke Arel, Kaitlyn Jacobson and Cydney Sabin tell the preschoolers about the holiday. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)



2 POSING WITH a BANANA, senior Dillon Knight smiles to the crowd at the Student Council talent show. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **3** WHILE MAKING LIFE SIZE CHARACTERS FROM "CANTEBURY TALES", seniors Brett Garske and Anthony Ross concentrate on their coloring. (Photo by Cristina Martinez)



Expect the UNEXPECTED 2010

- 4 MONTH BY MONTH
- 24 ACADEMICS
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- 152 PEOPLE
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West Fargo High School

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 West Fargo, ND 58078
 Population: 1,500
 Phone: 701-356-2050
 Website: <http://www.west-fargo.k12.nd.us/schools/wfhigh/>

Sheyenne Ninth Grade Center

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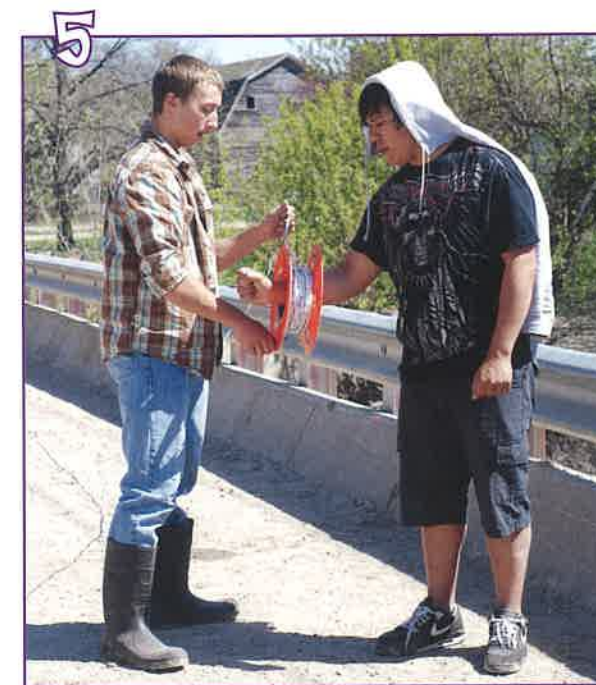
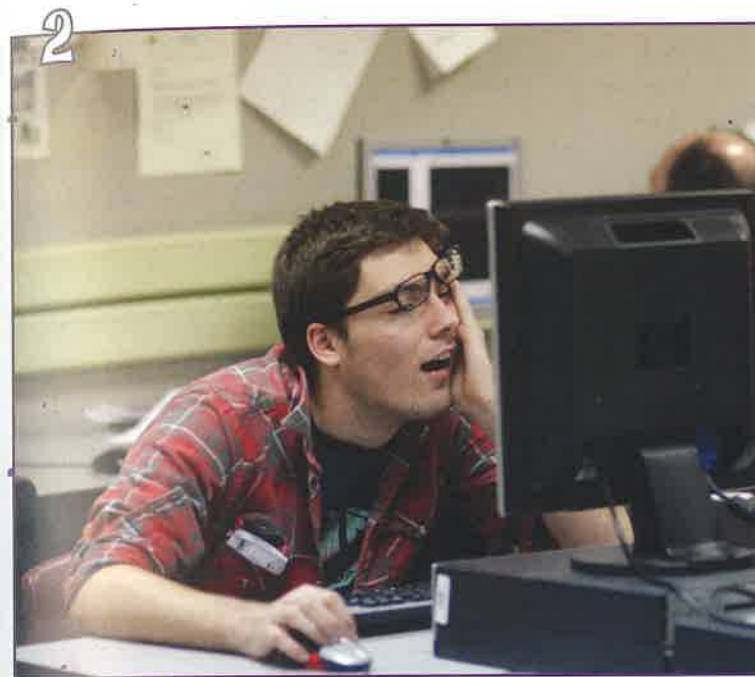
Community High School

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High school is all about routine, heading to your locker on the first day of school, grabbing your books and then heading to class and sitting down in your assigned seat. For the rest of the year you are expected to sit in that same seat every day, expected to sit in the same spot at lunch, expected to be in all of your classes on time throughout the year, and expected to meet up with the same people after every class. Life is full of expectations; what you expect of people and what people expect of you. The unexpected events that occur are rare, but welcomed into our everyday lives. Unexpected events may be positive or negative, but in the end they are a change from the predictable. To say the least, expect the unexpected.

Brooke Tochim
Brooke Tochim



1 **TAUNTING THE STUDENTS** preparing to throw a pie at him, English teacher Shawn Krinke participates in pie day. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)
 2 **AT A TSA MEETING** junior Matthew Eckelberg feels overwhelmed with his upcoming project. (Photo by Kelsey Dault)
 3 **YELLING AT HIS PLAYERS** senior Gafyn Affield directs his team on what to do for the next play during Powder Puff game. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer)
 4 **WORKING TOGETHER ON A CLASS PROJECT**, sophomores Ladan Mohamed and Katro Mahad put like terms together. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)
 5 **USING THEIR RESOURCES**, junior Drew Lemke and senior Paris Malaterre roll up the cord so they can leave the river on an Environmental Science field trip. (Photo by Cristina Martinez)
 6 **CONCENTRATING IN CERAMICS CLASS**, senior Brandi Hansen cuts into the clay making a stencil design. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)





MONTH by MONTH



1. DEMONSTRATING good SPORTSMANSHIP, senior Ross Montgomery shakes Math teacher Duane Broe's hand after the faculty verses student softball benefit. (Photo by Katie Birrenbott) 2. YELLING AS THE SONG CHANGES, junior Cameron Holland ups the excitement during the dance at prom. (Photo by Devon Cavie) 3. COMPETING IN THE CHALK FEST competition, senior Anna Wang blows the excess chalk off of her artwork. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 4. BLOWING THEIR NOISEMAKERS, sophomores Rachel Kranda and Hannah Schnepf go into the DECA class to present a student with her gift certificate. (Photo by Samantha Nelson)



2 **Left** During the Homecoming recognition, seniors Allison Heinen and Daniel Hoy walk across the field at the Homecoming game. (Photo by Victoria Hackett)

3 **Cross Country holds the West Fargo Invite at Johnson Park in Moorhead.**



5 **Right** Jamming out, senior Madison Anderson has a good time during the Homecoming Dance. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)



8 **West Fargo High School holds Back-to-School night for parents.**

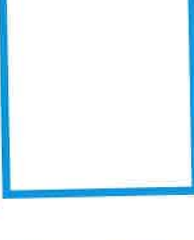


11 **Mixed up shirts leave seniors frustrated with junior colors.**



14 **Left** Eighth grader Ivy Mittlestead grabs a quick breath before taking another stroke in the breast stroke race at the Grand Forks meet. (Photo by Cristina Martinez)

15 **Tye-Dye Day is held during Spirit Week for Homecoming.**



Percentage grading causes distress

New system is confusing for students

School officials introduced percentage grading to start the year off, meaning that a student's percentage is taken into account instead of their letter grade. This makes it the second year in a row school officials have changed the grading system. There are mixed feelings about the new system.

Last year students were graded on a two-fifths, two-fifths, one-fifths system. Each quarter was worth two-fifths of a student's grade with the final test worth one-fifth. The percentages were not taken into account; it was based simply on the letter grade. There was no matter whether a student received an 80 percent or an 89.5 percent, a grade for a B was calculated as an 85 percent.

With the new system, percentage grading, the percentages are taken into account. Percentages of the two quarters and the final are all averaged together to determine semester grade.

Senior Cody Smith is not happy with the change because with percentages taken into account, it is harder to get a higher letter grade. "I think it's a bad idea and I like the old system better," Smith said. "Especially if you try really hard and you just can't do it, you fail."

Junior Amy Tran also doesn't enjoy the switch, because if she does not receive a high A's her parents will take away her cell phone. This worries Tran since she believes percentage grading will make it much more difficult to maintain her A's. "I don't like it at all," Tran said. "I have low A's in all my classes, so it kind of sucks. It's really frustrating when you have two 90s and you get an 86 on the final, causing you to end up with a B."

Senior Mara Johnson has a more positive opinion on the system. "I think it will help me in most of my classes," Johnson said. "However, it's going to take a lot more time to study."

Math teacher Randy Holzkamm agrees that the finals will have a larger impact on students with weighted grading; therefore, teachers should plan accordingly. "Some teachers have said that they plan to spend more time reviewing now that the final is worth more," Holzkamm said.

Whether students enjoy the new system or not, the decision to switch was not in the hands of administrators or teachers. "The state mandated a switch to Powerschool, which required calculation grades by percentages," Holzkamm said. "Because we had to use the software, it forced us to start using percentage grading."

With a new grading system for students to get used to, percentage grading made the year started off with a bang.

Johanna Erickson
Johanna Erickson



1 **DURING AN EARLY MORNING IN THE THEATER**, junior Kacie Johnson teases junior Paige Swanson's hair for the "Jailbreaking Juniors" theme for the Powderpuff game day during Homecoming Week. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) 2 **HOMECOMING QUEEN**, senior Ellie Grooters, reacts as last year's queen Chelsea Peterson crowns her during the Homecoming Coronation. (Photo by Victoria Hackett) 3 **SINGING AN ODD MAN OUT SONG** in the theater, senior Brandon Tveito performs with his bandmates. (Photo by Devon Casvik) 4 **WEST FARGO PLAYER** Austin Dillard keeps control of the ball against Fargo Shanley taking the win. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) 5 **SPEEDING PAST** junior Kaylee Lothspiech, senior Tia Lopez runs towards the endzone with the ball during the Powderpuff game. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer)



S e p t e m b e r

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18 **Football team**

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21 **College fair at**

22 **Right** Looking at the crowd during



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26 **Girls Swimming and Diving**

27 **NHS Pumpkin Patch at**

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30 **Left** Junior Samantha Bogardus works on

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2 **Left** Sophomore Jessica Smith and junior Bradyn Dohman count the money raised for breast cancer awareness during DECA's theme week. (Photo by Devon Cavic)



6 **Right** Motivational speaker Cara Miller talks about safe driving and the effects of speeding to the West Fargo High School student body on Oct. 8. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer)



8 **School Assembly on Driving Safety**

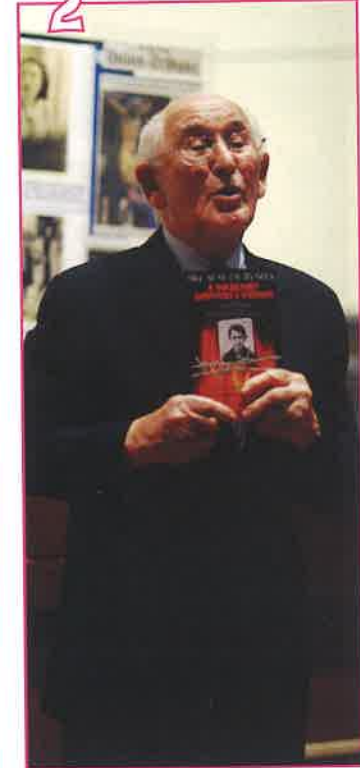


13 **Right** Junior Amanda Reiter sits and waits to be let go after giving blood for the annual school blood drive. (Photo by Cassie Pillen)



15 **Blood Drive hosted by the United Blood Services**

16 **Boys soccer takes fifth at state**



1 **JUSTING A CHILD'S MONKEY COSTUME** during Child Care Services, senior Jennifer Haaland tries to go trick-or-treating around the school. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **2. DURING THE** end of presentation, Holocaust survivor David Faber promotes his book, "Because of Romek", in auditorium on Oct. 1. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **3. AS THE PHLEBOTOMIST** inserts the needle into arm, junior Katherine Potter cringes as they take blood for the annual school blood drive. (Photo by Aren Cossette) **4. GOING UP FOR A PASS BLOCK** against Red River, junior Tyler Kennedy and senior Mason Herman rush the quarterback. (Photo by Victoria Hackett) **5. DURING THE HALLOWEEN** fiesta concert, junior Megan Broton plays her violin. (Photo by Victoria Hackett)



USING PIE FOR A GOOD REASON

The joys of desserts

The chances to meddle with a teacher are few and far between. When such an opportunity presents itself students are compelled to take advantage of it. This is one reason why Pie Day, put on by DECA on October 16th, was hard for students to resist. Being able to pie a teacher in the face was definitely something everyone enjoyed.

Senior Kayla Hawley was one of the many DECA members that worked behind the scenes to make Pie Day a success.

"It was awesome," Hawley said. "It's always rewarding to see many students get involved and excited about any of the fundraising for MDA we do," she added.

MDA, the Muscular Dystrophy Association, is the primary recipient of the proceeds gained from DECA's fundraising.

DECA member Tiffanie Wold also assisted in planning this event. "Our purpose was to get DECA out [in the school] and raise money for MDA and we wanted to involve the student body," Wold said.

Pie Day wasn't just for the enjoyment of the students, its main purpose was to raise money for a good cause. The activity ended up raising \$310 for MDA.

"It's a good way to get students involved in helping while having fun," junior and DECA member, Morgan Erickson said.

This idea came about from, "brainstorming and looking at ideas other schools have done and then finding our own way to do them," Hawley said.

During a meeting, students brainstormed a group of possible teacher candidates to be pied. To make sure they were receptive to the idea a mass email was sent out.

"A lot of them were hesitant, but they were happy to do it for the students," DECA adviser Jenna Skaff said.

Aside from deciding who was in charge of preparing and running Pie Day, the DECA members had to convince teachers to participate. First time participant English teacher Aaron Knodel was gung ho for getting involved.

"It was actually a lot of fun," Knodel said. "I think it is fun for students to see teachers make fools of themselves."

Knodel also believes that it is good for teachers to take advantage of showing interest in activities students are involved in.

"It also humanizes teachers," Knodel said. "It's a nice touch."

In the end Pie Day was not only a success because it raised money for a good cause, but also because it improved student-teacher bonds.

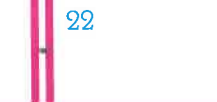
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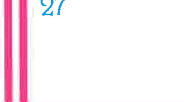
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18 **Left** Senior Ryne Schaeffer dribbles



24 **Right** Science teacher Sara Porter shuts her eyes during



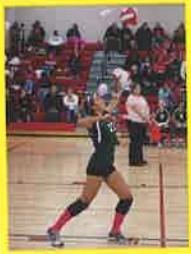
28 **Right** Inspirational speaker Bob Upgren talks to the sopho-



30 **Packers score in the last six seconds**

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(Photo by Johanna Erickson)



3 **Breast Cancer Awareness Volleyball game at Shanley**



7 **Football semifinal game versus Bismarck High and girls EDC swimming**

8 **At girls EDC swimming, eighth grader Jamee Martin gracefully flips off the diving board.**
(Photo by Katie Barrenbeck)



12 **Volleyball EDC at Fargo Civic Center**

13 **Girls State Swimming**

14 **Cheerleading State Competition at Fargo South High School**

15 **Junior varsity cheerleaders, freshman Raeya Mickelson and sophomore Erica Bahls stabilize themselves for a jump during the state competition.**
(Photo by Tiffany Fitterer)



Students give back

Fill the Dome unites the school

During the morning announcements in November, Student Body President Levi Bachmeier addressed his fellow classmates about a student-led project called Fill the Dome. The project consisted of students bringing in food items for charity. Senior Allison Klug caught interest in this message and decided she would help. "Bringing in cans is a really easy way to make a difference," Klug said. "It not only were the cans helping the homeless, but it was also a chance for us to compete with other schools to see which school could bring in the most donation. West Fargo took second place for the most food donated by all public schools, only finishing behind Fargo Shanley. I'm really glad I could help in beating (Fargo) South, and fight hunger at the same time," Klug said. However, helping the hungry was not every student's goal after hearing the announcement.

Senior Andy Braaten had another approach. After finding out he would be getting extra credit if he brought in cans for English, he brought in 10 cans. "I didn't really care about Fill the Dome," Braaten said. "I just needed to get an A in my grade."

Many other teachers gave students similar opportunities to receive extra credit. For an example, students were allowed to bring in cans for a few extra minutes in a class. The school also allowed students to bring in 10 cans to get an hour of detention. The various opportunities made it a simple choice for students questioning whether to support Fill the Dome.

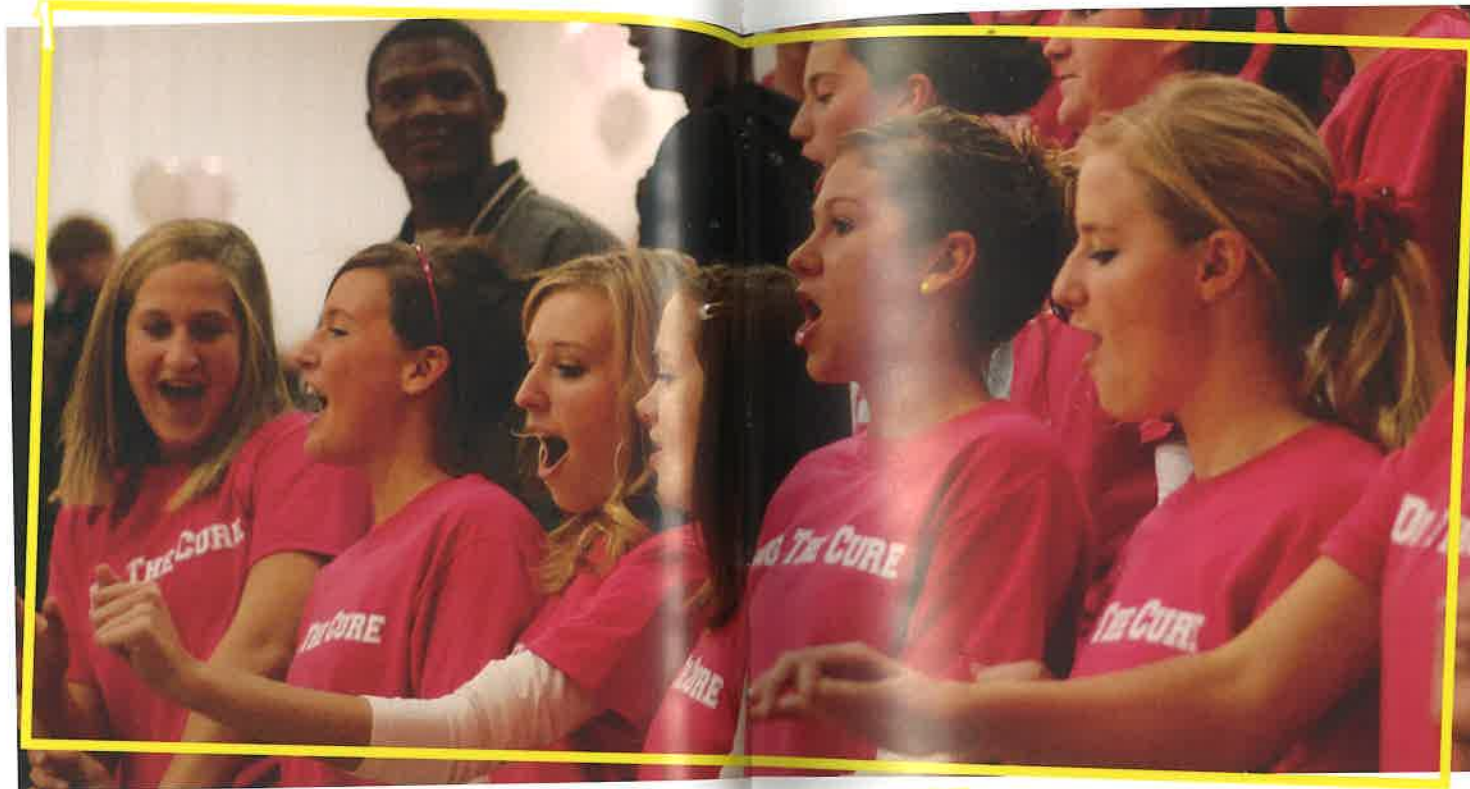
Math teacher Laura Preston let her students bring in 25 cans to receive a grade on a test of their choice.

"I choose to let my students bring in cans because it rewarded them for doing something good," Preston said.

Some students wanted to help out and also happened to receive extra credit for their efforts. Junior Brienne Marthe got a chance to raise her grade for the opportunity to help out.

"I thought it was nice that teachers were giving extra credit for bringing in cans, but that's not really what it is all about," Marthe said. "Students should be helping others, and not just do something good to be rewarded."

Nicole Eisenzimmer
Nicole Eisenzimmer



1. ROCKING SHIRTS TO "DIG THE CURE," seniors Kelsey Kloos, Alyssa Lind, Madison Hausauer, Elizabeth Anderson, Madison Anderson and Allison Klug do a cheer at the charity volleyball game promoting breast cancer awareness. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 2. ASSISTANT COACH JIM JONAS GIVES SUPPORT to his players after a tough semi-final loss against Bismarck High, ending the Packers' season. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 3. SENIOR ALAYNA KRANTZ holds sophomore Alicia Bates on her shoulders as they shout out P-A-C-K-E-R-S during the state competition on Nov. 14th. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 4. GLANCING AT WEST FARGO'S PROGRESS while unpacking a box of food, senior Rebecca Capouch fills in the empty spaces during Fill the Dome on Nov. 23rd. (Photo by Devon Cavic) 5. COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND STAFF start to fill up tables as they sit down for a Thanksgiving feast. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer)

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18 **Decoratively placed this turkey**



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24 **During Fill the Dome, Nicole Peterson helps**



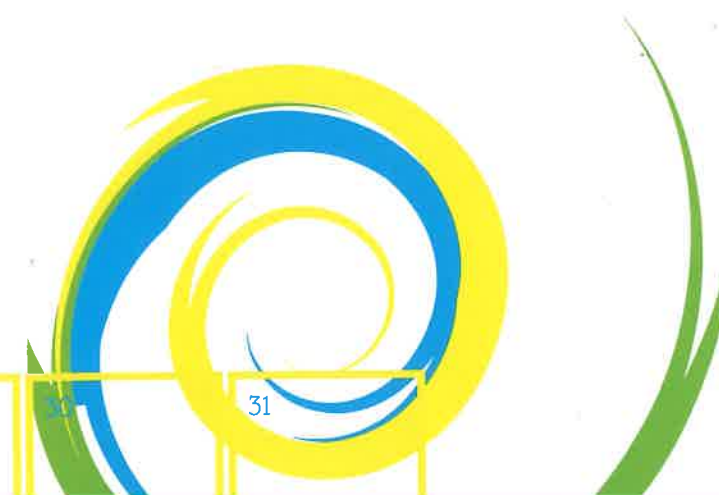
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27 **Thanksgiving Day**

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8 **Left** At Summit, sophomore Sydney Greenlund carols while bell ringing for the Salvation Army. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)

9 **NHS Gift Wrapping**



11 **Left** At South Elementary, senior Jillian Bechtold wraps gifts for students who went to Santa's Workshop. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)

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13 **West Fargo Student Council members attend Student Council State in Bismarck**

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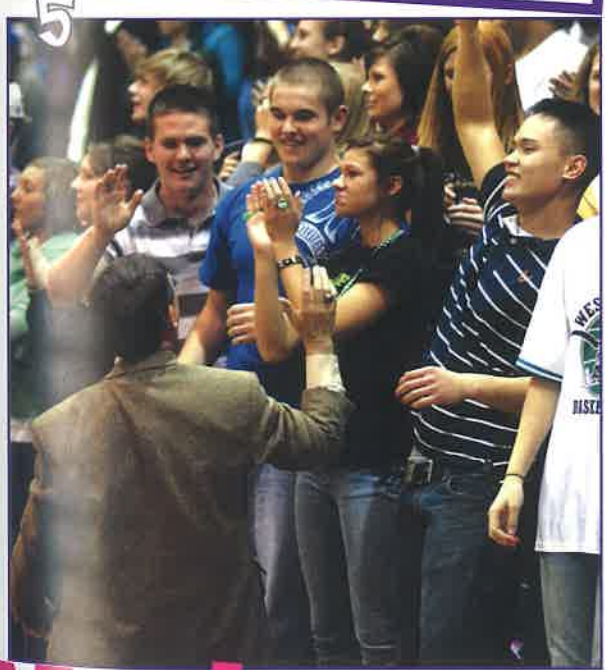
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1 **CHOIR CONCERT** on Dec. 8, juniors Alicia Schroeder and Miranda Sprung sing a Christmas crowd. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) **2** **At the Key Club Christmas party**, junior Kate Woodbury sings for wounded soldiers. **3** **BELTING OUT A TUNE**, staff members sing Christmas carols before the first day before Christmas Break. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) **4** **GLIDING THROUGH THE WATER**, Tyler Laufenberg competes in freestyle during a swim meet against Mandan. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) **5** **AFTER A CLOSE BASKETBALL GAME** against Bismarck St. Mary, the student section goes wild and Principal Gary Clark gives students' high fives. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer)



Lending a Hand to THOSE IN Need

Key Club lights up children's Holidays

Walking into The Dollar Tree, sophomore Brook Rheault walks straight to the doll aisle. As she observes the aisle she sees a rack full of different colored fairy dolls. She stands there a few moments to select a doll to put in her shoebox for Operation Christmas Child. After awhile she cannot make up her mind so she just purchases all of them for the box that will end up in the hands of a little girl.

Key Club's most anticipated project of the year involves working with Operation Christmas Child, an organization that gives shoeboxes filled with toys, hygiene items and school supplies to young children in impoverished countries.

This is the seventh year Key Club has been involved with Operation Christmas Child and president Katelyn Gunderson, a senior, says it is the most important event for them.

"Basically we thought about what the little kids wanted and what they needed for the conditions they lived in," Gunderson said.

Key Club members shopped at Wal-Mart, dollar stores, Target and brought supplies from home to fill the shoeboxes. Many members selected items that would interest them as a child and tried to put themselves in the children's position.

"I tried to put myself in the little kid's shoes and try to see what they would want for a gift," Gunderson said.

Sophomore Key Club member Sydney Greenlund bought coloring books, markers and toys that she enjoyed when she was younger.

"I put in a fun coloring book and crayons and a bouncy ball because I loved coloring and playing with bouncy balls when I was younger," Greenlund said.

While selecting items members kept in mind that the children who receive these gifts have limited resources and their living conditions are not so great. Greenlund said she bought soap, toothpaste, and items that will last a long time and will help improve their daily life.

"I thought about what the kids don't have, like school supplies," Rheault said. "That's what I mostly put in there."

Others added fun items. Gunderson said she purchased "hair clips for the little girls so they can play dress up" and others brought in dolls that they used when they were younger.

"I think we brought smiles in their faces and joy to their hearts and allowed children to go to school who otherwise would not be able to," Key Club advisor Christina Walker said.

D e c e m b e r

Kelsey Daul
Kelsey Daul



17 **Left** Getting set up for a Key Club bake sale, junior...

18 **Boys basketball takes a trip to...**

19 **Last day of school before Christmas**

20 **Boys Hockey takes first in...**

21 **Wrestling competes at Rumble**



22 **Left** Working for an escape, junior Thomas Kuehn...



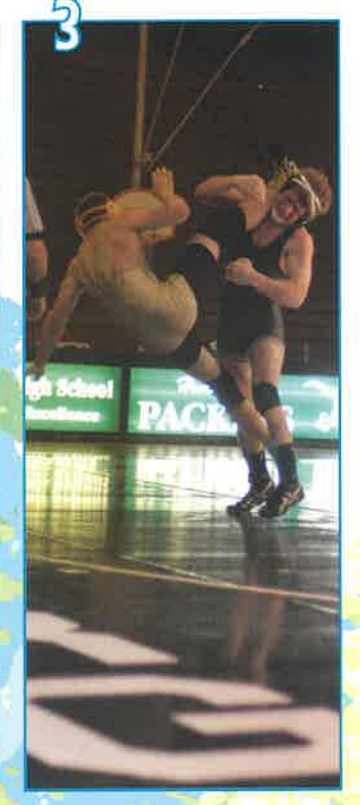
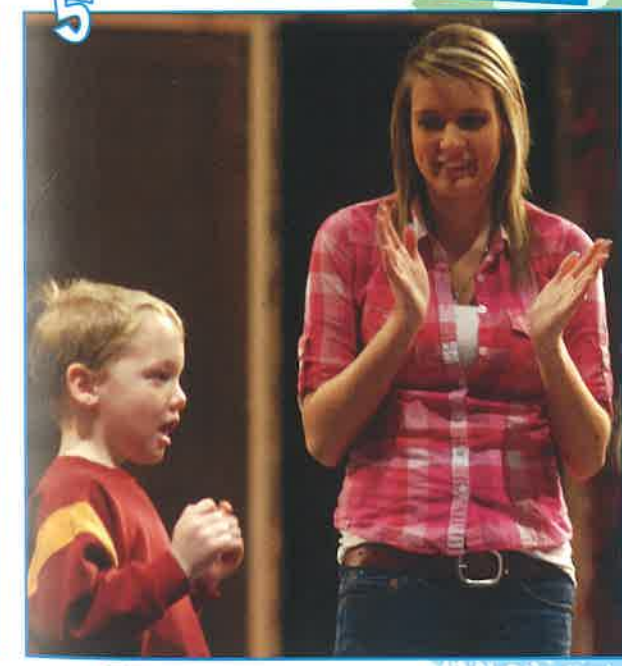
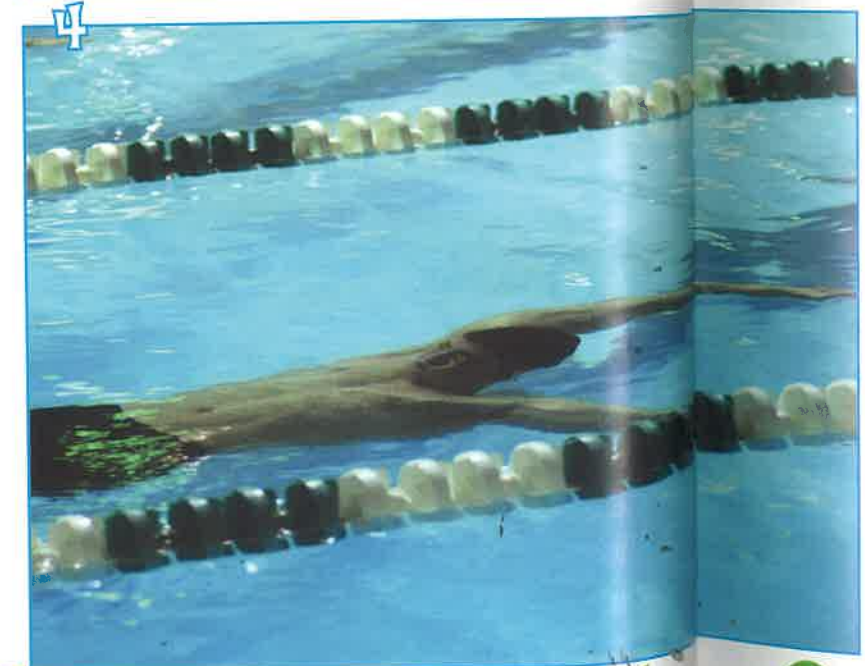
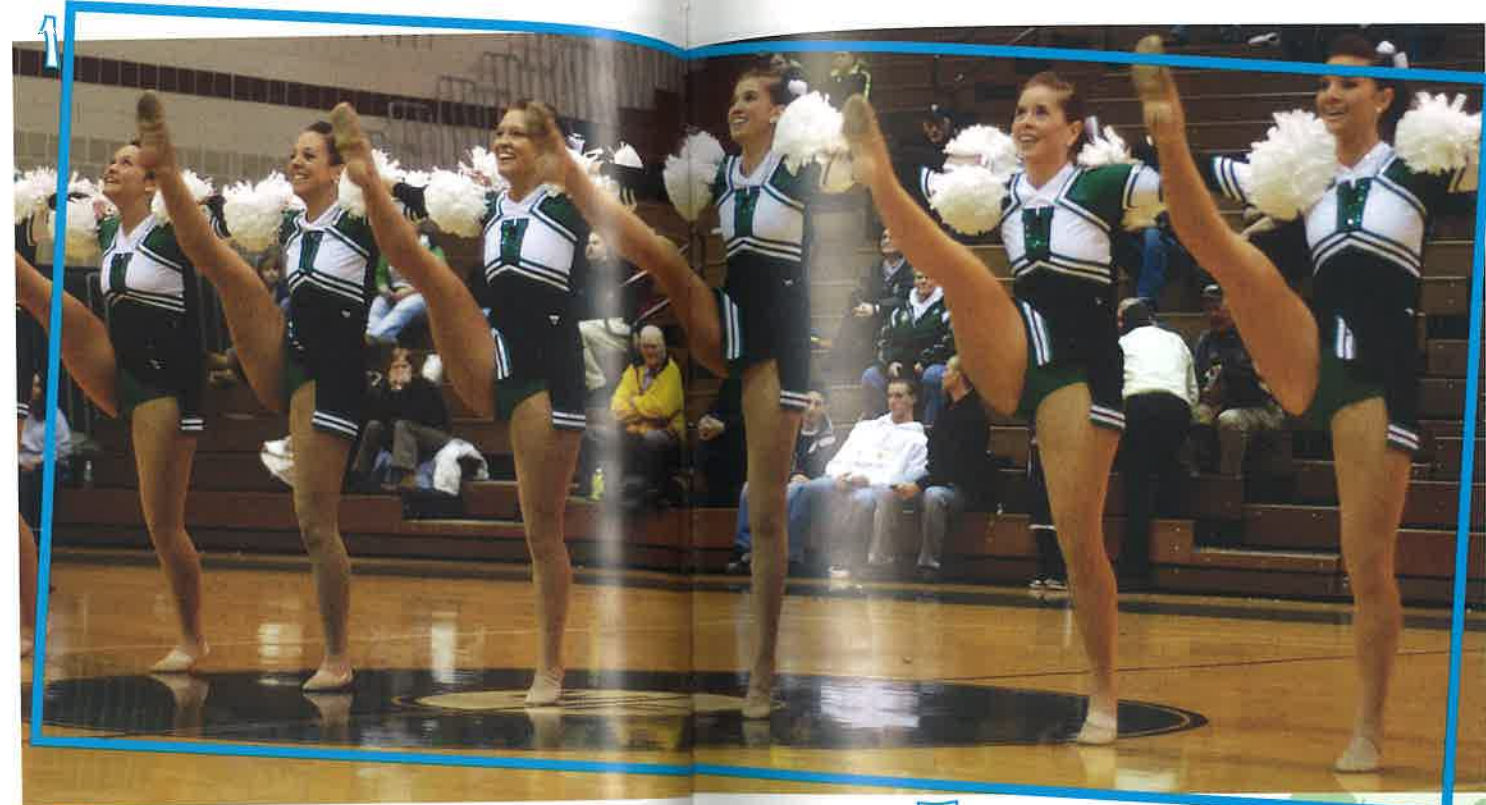
Students Set Resolutions

New year results in new goals

The new year caused people to scurry around to find a goal to set. While some people prepared a resolution, putting it into action can be difficult. Choosing what resolution to accomplish is different from person to person. Some people find it fun and easy to set a goal, while other people find it useless to create one. Junior Tori Lietz doesn't think it is necessary to create a New Year's resolution. "There is no point in making them," Lietz said. "People who make them don't usually keep them." On the other hand, some students who choose to make goals for the year know exactly what they want. Junior Brittany Masset plans to never get pulled over this year for a driving violation. "I want to save the energy of having the fear of what would happen if I got pulled over," Masset said. "If I just drive safe it will save my energy of being scared."

Masset made her resolution for a specific reason. "I hate being scared," Masset said. "Not many people think about getting pulled over." Some resolutions come with more thought behind them than others. While some resolutions take just a single person to conquer them, others need the involvement from other people. Sophomore Kayla Gard had to convince a family member to succeed at her goal. "I want to try to convince my dad to get a dog," Gard said. "I haven't had a dog for six years and would like company." While some resolutions are more serious than others, the main purpose still holds true to give people a set goal in their mind. "It gives me a goal and something to work on," Masset said.

Tara Miller
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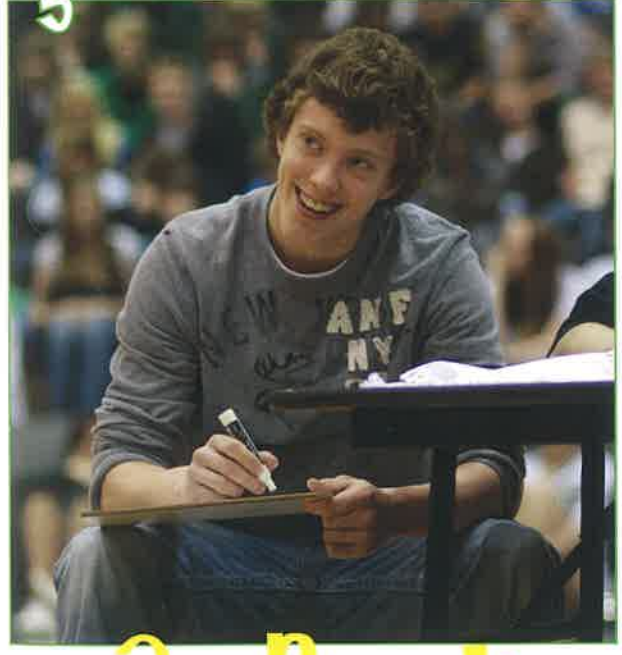
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1. **Left** and Makeup artist junior Taylor Dahl paints junior Nathan Jahnke's face for his role in "Cats". (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 2. **Taking his final leap**, sophomore Landon Neva dives at the EDC tournament. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 3. **Coming together to show off their hard earned trophy**, the wrestlers celebrate State title, taking away the Bismarck Demon's title after their ten year streak at State. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 4. **Releasing her inner nerd**, senior Elizabeth Anderson does a dance while senior Jenna Green performs on Nerd Day. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 5. **Waiting to answer a question** about his girlfriend, junior Landon Tendeland participates in the couple competition during the winter pep rally. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)



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17 Left Competing in the winter pep rally.	18 Left Stick handling the puck, senior Nate Borchardt plays in	19 Wrestling wins - the State dual	20 Ugly Sweater	21 80's Day	22 Nerd Day	23 Twin Day	24 Flair Day	25 Junior Kyle Roberts swims the 200 yard individual medley at the EDC
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Responsibility Rewards

Students take grades into their own hands

Near the end of each quarter, tables are set up along the gym. Rows of teachers sit patiently waiting for parents to come to discuss their student's grades. Sometimes students attend this event so he/she can receive individual attention from a teacher to discuss any praises or concerns.

Junior Nicole Bruse goes to her conferences each time. "I like knowing what I am doing good at and knowing any improvements that might need to be made," Bruse said. English teacher Lindsey Cossette enjoys having students come to conferences. She even gives out extra credit if students show up. "I would prefer if all my students would come to conferences," Cossette said. "I like having a chance to talk on students one on one." However, not all students feel it is necessary to always attend conferences, but it is useful under certain circumstances.

"I think it can be helpful if you are concerned or struggling in a class," sophomore Sydney Greenlund said. "You get a chance to talk about your problems and concerns going on in class." In high school, students are in charge of completing their own assignments, and therefore students should be responsible for their own grades.

"I feel that students are in charge of their own education in high school," Cossette said. Junior Amy Clark does not find it necessary to go to conferences at all.

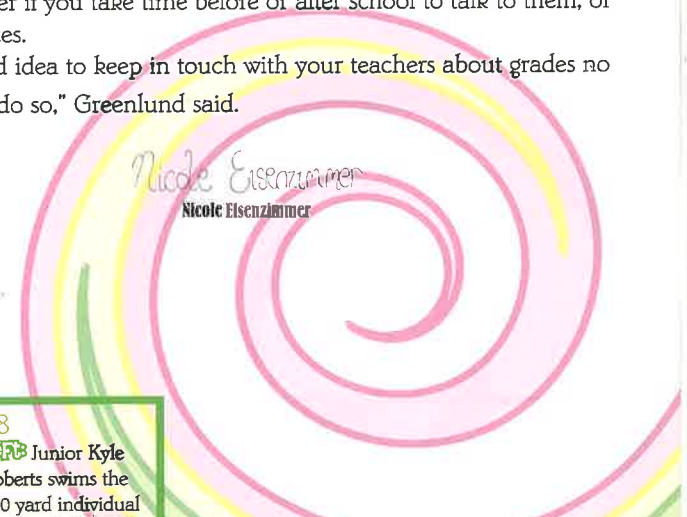
"It's a time for my parents to talk to the teachers and not having me there would ensure honesty out of the teacher," Clark said. If a teacher needs to talk to a student they could find a different time then during conferences Clark believes.

Although there are mixed feelings over this topic, conferences end with teachers impressed by the students that took the time to come to find out their grades. Students leave satisfied knowing their grades and what they can work of to improve.

Overall working together with teachers about grades is very helpful whether no matter if you take time before or after school to talk to them, or during conferences.

"It is a good idea to keep in touch with your teachers about grades no matter how you do so," Greenlund said.

Nicole Eisenzimmer
Nicole Eisenzimmer



Teacher Theme
Week



3 **Left:** Causing a scene, Spanish teacher Lori Anderson puts on a show pretending to be upset about not winning her pageant on teacher theme day. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)

4 **Boys & Girls Basketball EDC Regional Tournament**

5 **Boys Swim in Mandan**

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7 **Lake Agassiz Band Concert**

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10 **Teachers duct taped for Renaissance Club fundraiser**



12 **Left:** Driving around his opponent, junior Chase Parkas goes up for a lay up. (Photo by Kelsey Daul)

13 **Boys and Girls basketball state tournament**



15 **Left:** While standing on stage, senior Katie Lee earns first place in her roll play for quick service restaurant management. (Photo by Jordi Braaten)

16 **DECA State Convention**

MARCH Madness Upsets

Friends bet with friends

Every March, students try to set aside money to bet on college basketball. Students wager on the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) March Madness basketball tournament who they think will win and get money for every win they predict. Student can bet online or with their friends or family.

Many of the people that participate put money in a pot and the winner takes the entire amount.

"We all put in five dollars," junior Matthew Ruff said. "I bet with my friends and some friends."

People who bet on the brackets find it fun to compete with friends on their predictions. This year there were a few unexpected wins that threw the brackets off and caused some people money in the long run.

"I lost, but there were some mad upsets," Ruff said.

In some cases it is a family activity, where family members can compete and bet with each other.

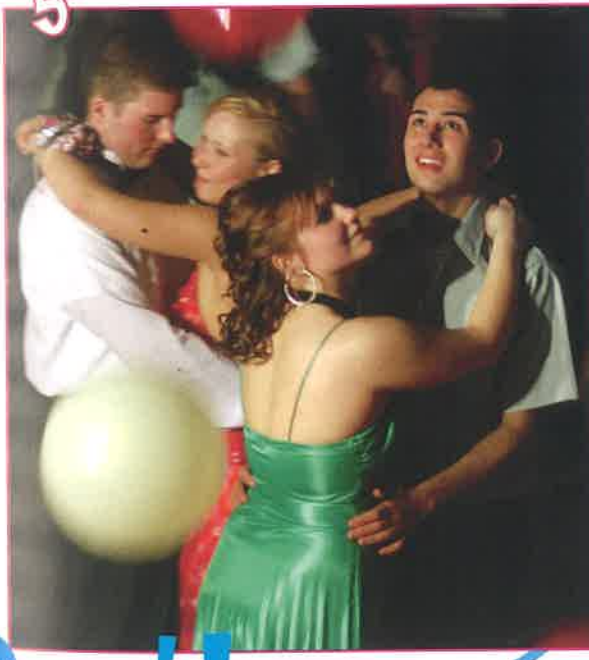
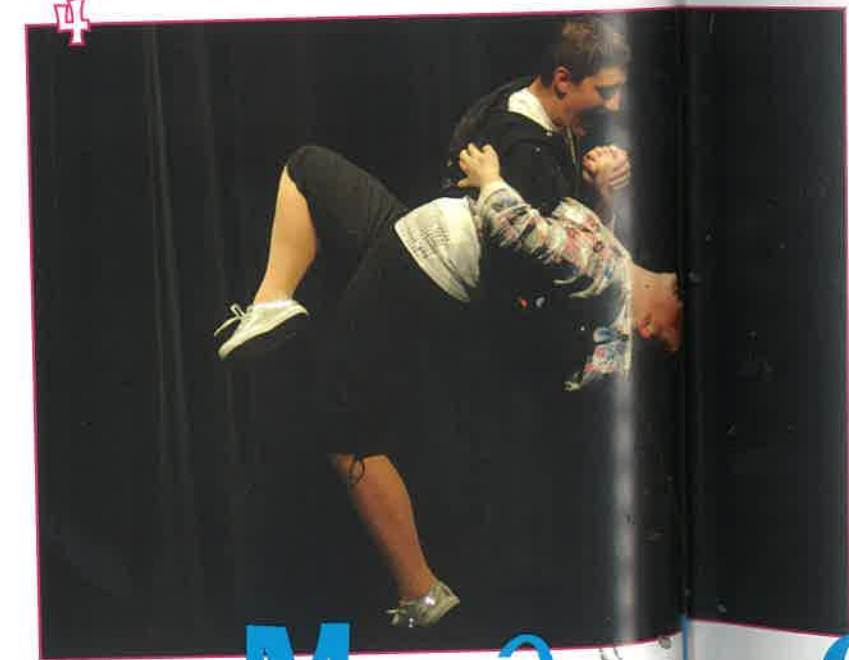
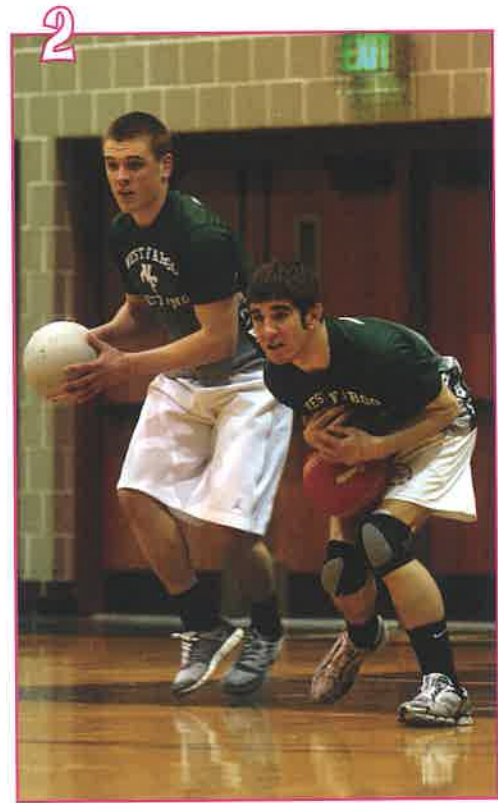
"I bet on brackets with a bunch of my family members. It's a tradition," said Bryce Jorgenson. "I took third because of the upsets."

Upsets like Northern Iowa over Kansas and Butler University going to the championship surprised those who filled out brackets.

"I lost because Northern Iowa beat Kansas," junior Jacob Hermanson said. "I had Kansas going to the Final Four."

Some unexpected wins twisted some brackets that cost some bets. In the end, students think it is fun to make predictions and see what upsets happen during the tournament.

Zach Neer
Zach Neer



1. **DRESSED UP AS COPS**, the food service providers won first place for the third year in a row for their creative outfits and skits for teacher theme week. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 2. **GOING IN FOR THE ATTACK**, juniors Matthew Ruff and Thomas Kuehn work together to defend their team as the two remaining players of the championship game of the dodgeball tournament. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 3. **SMILING AT HER OPPONENT**, Physical Education teacher Leah Swedberg helps to participate in Renaissance Club's duct tape fundraiser. (Photo by Aren Cossette) 4. **WHILE DOING THEIR HIP HOP ROUTINE** to the song "Pop" by 'Nsync, freshman Alexander O'Meara dips senior Melissa Van Cleave. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 5. **AMAZED BY THE FALLING BALLOONS**, senior Anthony Bergan, junior Nicole Peterson and sophomores Samantha Wilson and Omar Al-Abase dance together at the JROTC Military Ball. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

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26 **Right:** In tears of joy, senior Shelby Moen gets emotional when...



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Left: Up to bat,
junior Kacie
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an attempt to hit
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Central Cass. (Photo
by Tiffany Fitterer)

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Varsity baseball
beats Fargo
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Right: Winding up
for a pitch, junior
Austin Horsager
concentrates on
trying to strike out a
Devils Lake player.
(Photo by Tiffany Fitterer)



Sandbags Serve New Purpose

Senior prank causes turmoil

Scrambling to pile sandbags around the entrances of the school doors, seniors quickly scamper in various directions when the job is done around 12:30 a.m. Going into the senior prank this year, seniors had no idea how controversial it would be.

The morning after, Principal Gary Clark's first reaction to the seniors prank was announcing that seniors would cover the cost of cleanup. However, the punishment for the prank changed by the end of the week.

"We didn't make the decision on the first day because we didn't want to overreact," Clark said.

While administrators took the necessary steps to enforce punishment, students believed that the first reaction was unnecessary. The senior prank was covered on television and the radio, as well as through articles that appeared in the "Fargo Forum."

"I think it was awesome knowing how most people in town supported what we did," senior Whitney Streifel said.

As people around the Fargo Moorhead area heard about the prank, the news also went nationwide. Comments left on the "Fargo Forum" webpage were from people around the country.

"It was remarkable seeing the comments from people all over the country backing up what we did," senior Sara Raugutt said.

Working together with administrators, the main students responsible were able to come up with the punishment that was acceptable for everyone. Students had to raise money for Red Cross flood relief and clean up after two home track meets, which would originally have been the custodians' job.

Some students believe the media coverage had a large part to do with the final punishment.

"I think that the consequences would have been worse if the media wouldn't have pressured the administration like they did," senior Jon Morken said.

Administrators buckled down on punishment this year in order to try and stop the severity of senior pranks getting worse in the future.

"It was different in the sense that last year the seniors only covered one door, but this year four were covered so the work was more extensive," Clark said.

Students understood the administrators were harder on this year's seniors to set an example for the future senior classes in an attempt to stop the tradition.

"They just don't want next years seniors to try and top what we did this year because they fear it will turn into vandalism," Streifel said.

Arca Cossette
Arca Cossette

Field trip for Environmental Science, junior Ashley DeLeon sits and writes her data
collected down. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) Standing on the second place podium, junior
receives his award for VICA at his Rec Engines state competition. (Photo by Jerdi Branten)
Decorating for Prom Committee, juniors Jordan Brahmmer-Cardiel and Sierra Senger put the
decorations on their head and pretend they are from "Sesame Street". (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)
Singing quietly, junior Dejana Hodzic looks over towards the North Dakota State College of
Bismarck student sings to her. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) Sandbags are piled against the door
placed by seniors on April 5th as their senior class prank. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer)



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Left: Catching
his breath, junior
Joshua Hanson

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Prom Committee



2 Busting a move, junior Brodie Larson fist pumps at Prom. (Photo by Devon Cavic)



5 Due to the rainy weather, sporting events were cancelled this week



8 Girls soccer plays against Fargo North at the Ledger Center and ties



11 In an attempt to smash the roof in, junior Bo Dahl helps raise money for the March of Dimes sponsored by Key Club. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)

12 Academic Award Ceremony held for students who lettered



14 Drama hosts a banquet and Senior Show case



16 During Drama's Senior Showcase, senior Laurel Schuessler performs a monologue. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)

SCHEDULE For Next Year

Eight day period will go into effect

the last month winds down, students returning for the 2010-2011 again need to adjust to a new daily schedule. The high school going to an eight period day instead of the usual seven periods early bird.

Two options are available, either having period one and starting at 7:45 and finish at 2:40, or starting the day with period two at and finish at 3:34.

Students have mixed feelings about this topic. Junior Derrick thinks this new schedule is a good idea.

"I think it's kind of nice because it lets you get out earlier if you don't want to go to school." Manock said. "Getting up an hour earlier isn't really that bad."

Senior Christian Steffen thinks the new system could be both good and bad.

"I think that it could be good for kids that are behind in credits so they can catch up and not have to take summer school," Steffen said. However, he feels it may be too long of a schedule for students who have to go to study halls.

"If a student has a full schedule they will get side tracked and not have enough attention to final hour of the day," Steffen said.

In May students received a schedule so they could see what their schedule looks like for the next year.

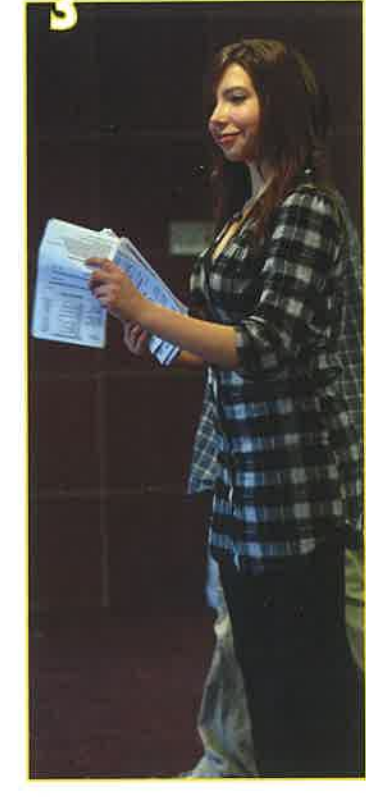
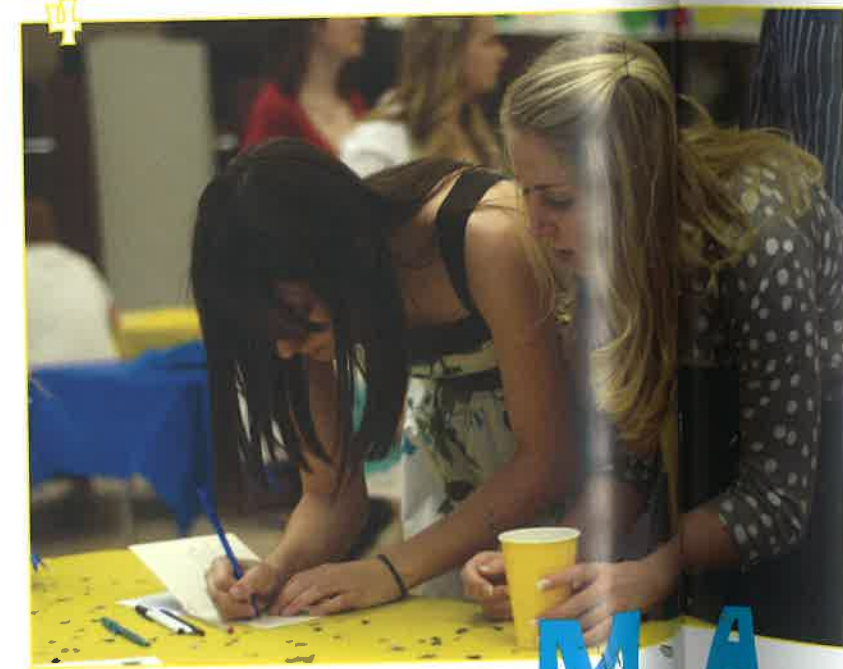
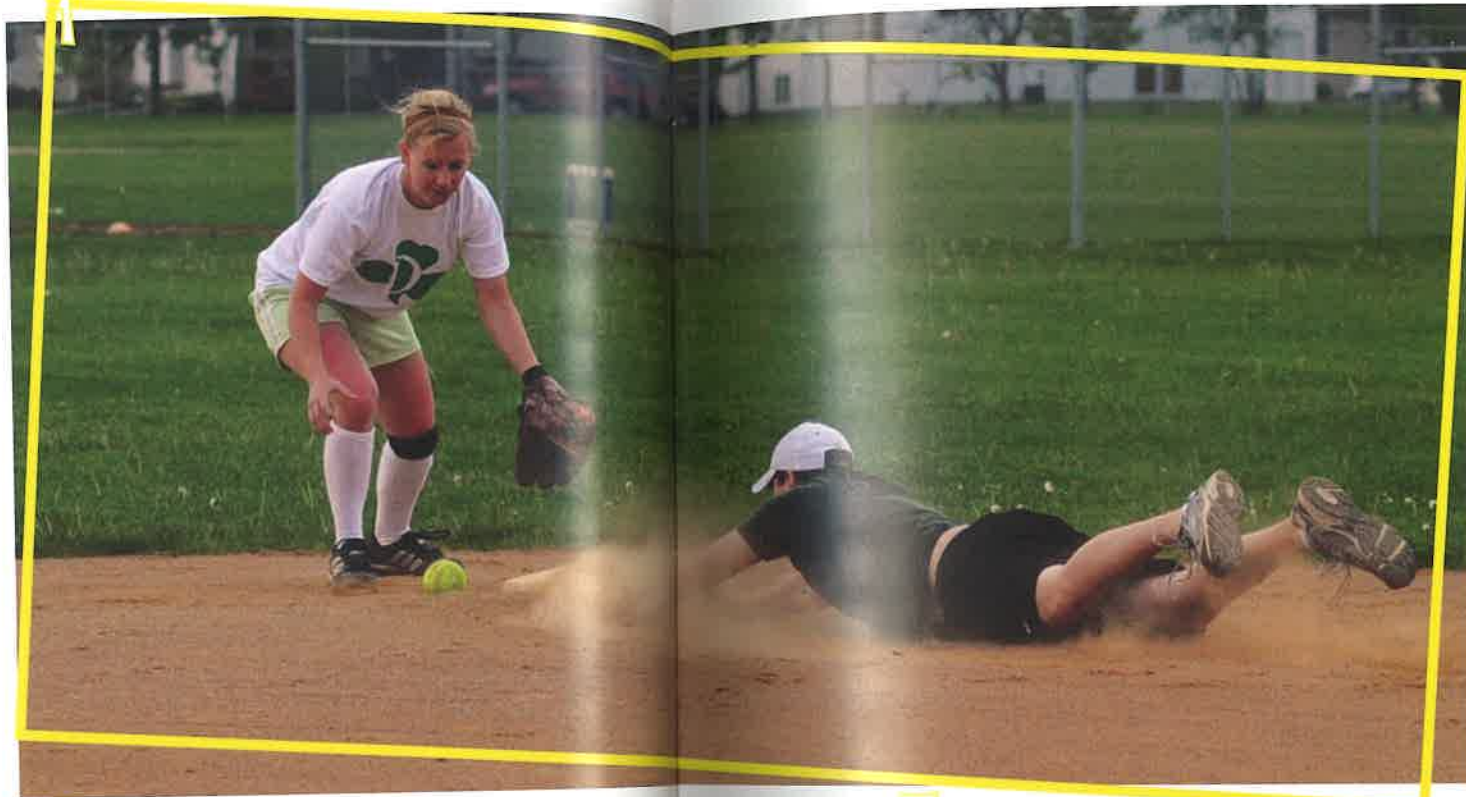
Senior Kelli DuBord was looking forward to the option of having period one through seven and being done at 2:40. However, her schedule changed to begin with period two and finish period eight.

"They changed my schedule due to a schedule conflict," DuBord said. "If they give you a choice of what option you want they should stick to it."

Various opinions have been created about this scheduling system; however, no one really knows how it will turn out.

"It will be interesting to see how it works out next year," Manock said.

Nicole Eisenzimmer
Nicole Eisenzimmer

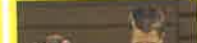


1 TAKING ONE FOR THE TEAM, junior Kevin Trowbridge dives for second base as Cheney Middle School Language teacher Andrea Noonan attempts to pick up the ball for an out during the student versus faculty softball game fundraiser for Matthew Hersch. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **2** STANDING SIDE BY SIDE, seniors Samantha Pyle and Michael Olson finish the senior song "Lean on Me" after having received their roses during the fairwell concert. (Photo by Hillary Hugelien) **3** HELPING OUT AT THE ACADEMIC AWARDS, junior Alexandra Carthew passes out programs to parents entering the school. (Photo by Aren Cossette) **4** IN RESPONSE TO A FORMER FARGO RESIDENT being nominated for an award, juniors Katelynn Dauwen and Michaela Pytlík sign a book as a congratulations at the drama banquet. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **5** WORKING IN THE SIDE WALK CHALK FEST, junior Signe Swanson perfects her art that she made based upon her favorite novel, "Jekyll and Hyde". (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)



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23 Tumbling from the vehicle, a dummy



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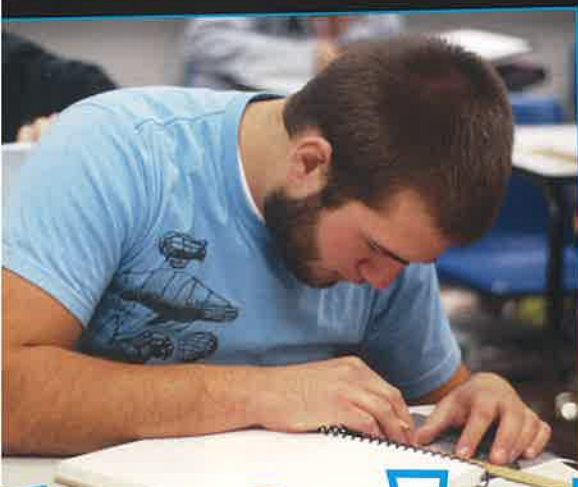
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29 At graduation, seniors Austin Keller and Briana Harthog

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Academics



1. Working on his project during Drawing and Design, senior Jonathan Morken traces lines over a picture of himself for an accurate self portrait. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 2. Having a good time in Rec. Energy, seniors Collin and D. Lee. He is attempting to pull apart their engine. (Photo by Kristin Hedger) 3. Using the plunko boards, seniors Dillon Knight and Al-



1. **NO EYE CONTACT**-37
 2. **USE OF FILLERS (um, like, ah)**-28
 3. **TALKING TOO FAST**-30
 4. **SWAYING BACK AND FORTH**-19
 5. **MEMORY LOSS**-16
 6. **WHILE PRESENTING THE GOthic STORY** they wrote in English, juniors Taylor and Alyssa Scott shine a flashlight to their faces to create a creepier image. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)



5 Worse Speech Habits

87 English students polled

1. No eye contact-37



(Graphics by Kelsey Dau)

2. Use of fillers (um, like, ah)-28

4. Swaying back and forth-19

5. Memory loss-16



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SPEECHES SCARE STUDENTS

Teachers enhance students' skills through coaching

Getting assigned a speech in the front of the class is stressful enough, but having a teacher who is also the Speech or Debate coach can add even more pressure. Some students assume that teachers who also coach will make the class harder since they are coaches and it also builds tension. Teachers have a different outlook of students potential.

"My expectations for my English class are different from what I expect from my Debate students," Debate coach Lindsey Cossette said.

The students find that the teachers that coach Speech or Debate grade harder than a regular English teacher. Cossette and Speech coach Shawn Krinke push the classes to work harder to enhance the students' learning skills.

"Being the Speech coach has me push my students, but not to the point where it is too hard for the class." Krinke said.

"Having my coach as a teacher helps because I get more one on one time and helps me with new techniques," junior Cheyenne Rust said.

Coaching gives the teachers ideas on how to help students in their classes with different and new ideas on how to memorize speeches better.

"I tell my students or Speech students to practice in front of a mirror or wall to help give the speech," Krinke said.

Some students do not mind having a Speech and Debate coach as an English teacher.

"I find that I learn more from the teacher as them being a Speech and Debate coach because they make it easier and help us feel more comfortable giving speeches," junior Nathan Stanczyk said.

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What Went Wrong?

“We had to do a Powerpoint in Spanish so I went home and got the project done and I was going to join it with the rest of my group, but as I opened it at school it wasn't there and I went into panic mode and tried to get all the information into the Powerpoint.”

“Sophomore year in Chemistry (junior) Nathan Stanzyk and I were in the lab making some concoction and I put in the wrong chemical while it was boiling on the bunsen burner and it made the entire science wing smell.”



junior
Nathan Stanzyk

1. In game, senior Charlie Luong teaches third grade South elementary students Spanish words. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 2. In French three, junior Connor Wright paints a traditional Photo by Katie Birrenbott) 3. Preparing for a project in ceramics, junior Lauren Zent uses the cutting wire to get a slab of clay. (Photo by Katie Birrenbott) 4. While reading "The Ocean the children in Child Care Services, junior Samantha Hanten watches a child put up her felt picture of an animal. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 5. Tracing the pattern of her shirt, Smiler starts the sewing process in the Fashion and Clothing class. (Photo by Devon Covic) 6. Concentrating on the options of the Calvin Cycle while in AP Biology, junior Joseph pts to figure out where all the pieces fit. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 7. Showing the class their top three influential people, sophomore Lauren Johnson explains why she chose World History. (Photo by Samantha Nelson) 8. Capturing the moment for a video in Fundamentals of Public Speaking, senior Andrew Vedquam sticks his tongue out in concentration. (Photo by Katie Birrenbott)



Students Forced to think deeply

Different feelings arise from project

Different people can influence the world. In social studies teacher Matthew Slocomb's class, sophomore World History students were forced to think outside of the box.

"I got the idea off a T.V. biography series that inspired me to do this for a project," Slocomb said.

"Most Influential People in World History" was the project idea Slocomb came up with for students. Students had to name 50 people who they thought influenced the world. After the student made a list of 50 people, they then narrowed it down 20, and after that down to the final ten.

With the project already worked into the lesson plans and the rubric, students had mixed feelings for the project. One student who enjoyed the project was sophomore Holli Schmitz.

"The project has given me college practice and assorted publishing ideas," Schmitz said.

Not all students were fond of the doing the project like Schmitz was.

"It gives me no time for outside of school activities," sophomore Allison Barta, who participated in soccer, said. "I didn't have access to a computer to do my work on the bus so I stayed up sometimes until two in the morning and it is stressful."

With the main project due toward the end of the year, the final assignment would have seven smaller tasks within it due throughout the course of the semester.

"I decided to extend it to be a semester long," Slocomb said

The smaller tasks consists of two-five paragraph essays, a list of 50 names, a narrowed down list of a minimal of 20 names with information about the people, a bibliography sheet, and two different types of biography sheets with the same top ten. Students use words to describe the person along with quotes and a picture. The second would have two paragraphs explaining how they influenced the world.

In the end, students could use plastic paper protectors, put all the information into a binder, and use color for extra credit.

Although some students didn't enjoy doing the project, there were students who slowly recognized the importance of the final outcome.

"It was definitely a project that made me think more," sophomore Emily Shaffer said. "It taught me more than just reading a book."

Tara Miller
Tara Miller



COMPARISON OF CLASS LABS
80 students polled

ANATOMY Lab		OR	Food Lab	
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1. Placing a piece of paper in solvent during an AP Biology lab, junior Nathan Olson prepares to wait for the reaction of the lab. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 2. During a lab, seniors Jared Olson and Nicole Schmidt get ready to swing their pendulum to calculate how far their cart travels. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 3. Practicing life science, senior Shannon Wright and junior Kaitlin Snead put their pizza in the oven during lab in Independent Living. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 4. Putting carbon dioxide in a bottle, senior Cassandra Baumgartner and junior Senad Abaza prepare to work with cats in their Chemistry class. (Photo by Aren Cossette) 5. During an intense moment in lab, junior Heather Manske and junior Taylor Nerby flip over their cat to find the oblique muscle. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 6. Looking through a microscope, senior Katie Meyers and junior Katie Meyers work on their fruit fly mutation during lab in October. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 7. In preparation to create a rocket in lab, sophomore William Barker adds a gas to the water to ready it for the experiment. (Photo by Aren Cossette)





MAKING PRESCHOOL SNACKS IN CHILD CARE SERVICES, Alysha Daignault and Jessica Davison straighten graham crackers and frosting. (Photo by Devon Cavic)
MAKING A GIANT COLLAGE OF Vincent Van Gogh's Starry Starry Night, senior Brittany Anderson gets the tape ready to attach the next piece of the mural. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)
CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY, sophomore Austin Poitra cuts a piece of wood with the band saw for his house project. (Photo by Jordi Braatan)
4. ATTACHING A COIL TO THE BASE OF A MOTOR, junior Katelyn Holland concentrates in the shop. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)
5. MEASURING A STUD FOR A TRUSS, senior Dustin Gilbert prepares a miter saw. (Photo by Victoria Hackett)
6. WHILE PAYING ATTENTION, sophomore William Barker works on the engine of a car in Rec. Engines. (Photo by Hillary Hugelen)
7. LISTENING FOR INSTRUCTIONS, senior Dylan Walton shingles a starter home in Building Trades. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)



WHO BELONGS TO WHAT CLASS?

Can you find the matches?



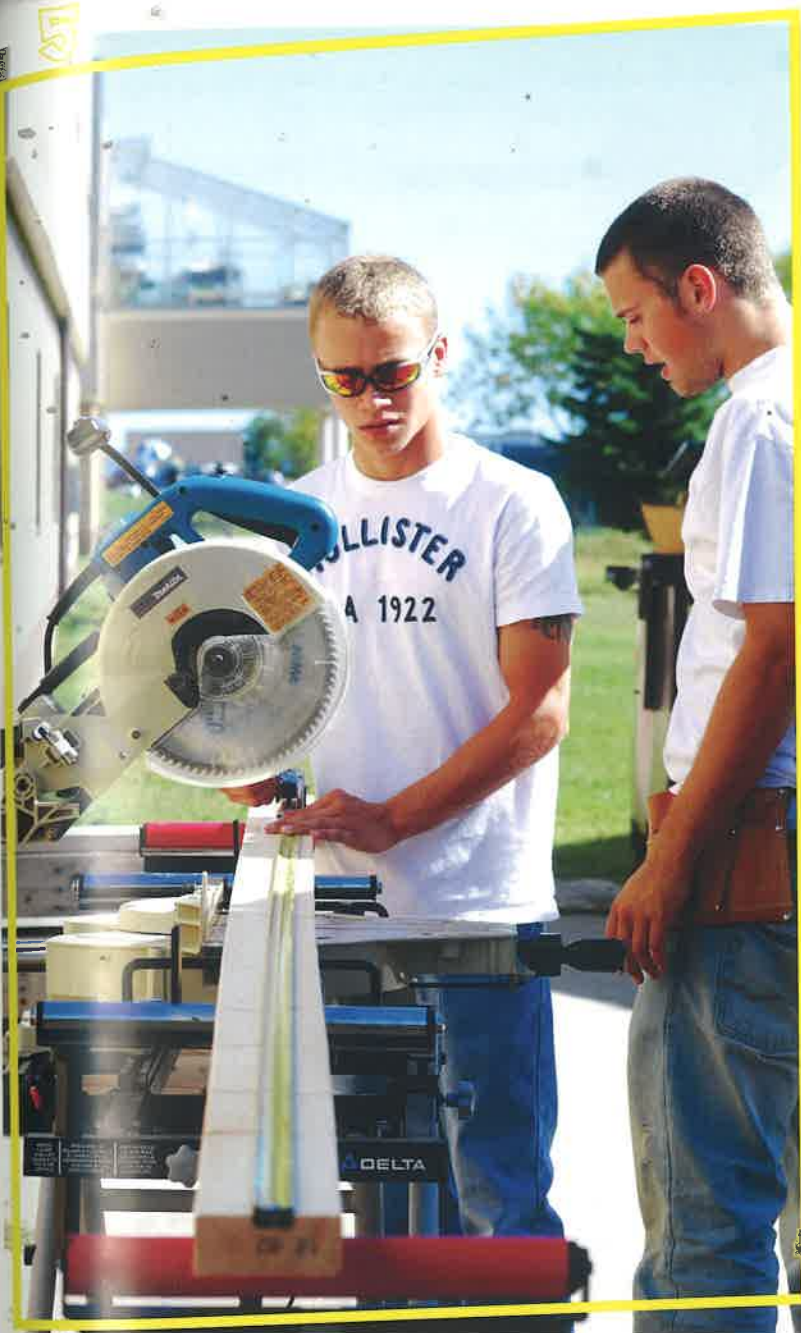
Jacob BUCHHOLZ



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PROVING TO BE THE BEST

Rec. Engine students finish state with top honors

As the sweat begins to drip down the side of his face and his nerves start setting in, the clock shows two minutes remaining. Quickly finishing his station and cleaning it so it's spotless, the time slowly ticks away. When his 20 minutes are up, junior Tyler Kennedy breathes a sigh of relief.

Kennedy along with 11 other students and Recreational Engines teacher Jerry Nordstrom, attended North Dakota State College of Science in Wahpeton for their three day state competition. They drove back every night and then were brought back in the morning to the NDSCS campus where the competition took place.

The students competing were judged upon their workmanship and cleanliness following their assignment.

"We competed in a skills competition and worked on engine and electrical things, which we had been prepared for because of class," junior Steven Burdick said.

While attending the competition, the boys gained experience, had the privilege to listen to a motivational speaker, eat on the campus, and attend an awards ceremony to conclude the competition.

"The food was the best part, along with being able to compete and doing well," Kennedy said.

The group competed in motor-

cycle technology and power equipment technology. They finished in the top three in both categories.

"They had an opportunity to test their skills and abilities and see how good they really are," Nordstrom said.

There were eight to nine stations that each contestant had to spend 20 minutes at to complete their assigned task. After completing and cleaning up their station, they were given five minutes to move on to the next.

"Students will often times get very nervous when competing in their events; but when it is over, they feel better and proud of their outcome," Nordstrom said.

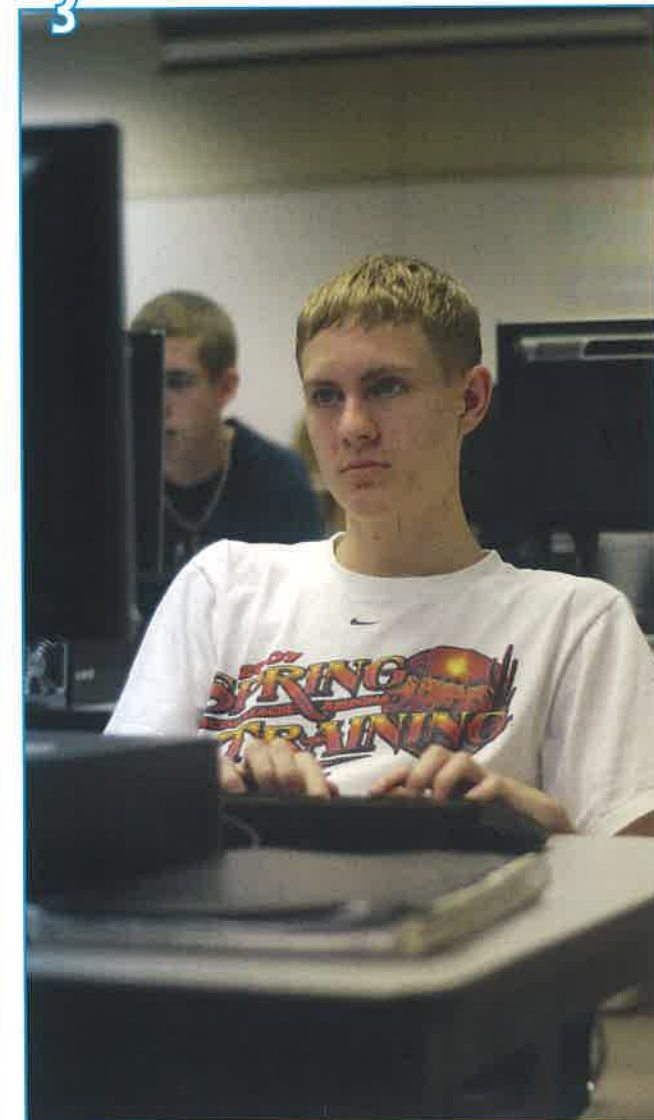
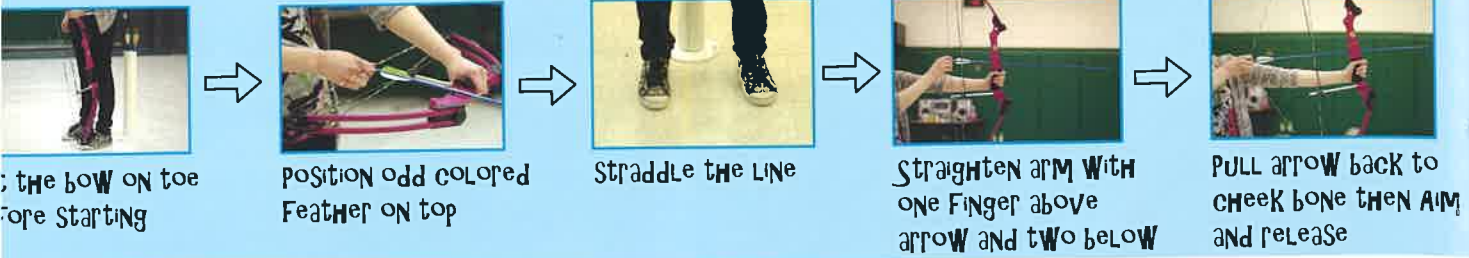
They were faced with many challenges and overcame them to dominate in their categories.

"I enjoyed being able to compete against other Recreational Engine students and competing in what we learned how to do," Burdick said.

Amy Matzke

Amy Matzke

DIRECTIONS ON HOW TO SHOOT ARCHERY



1. CHECKING THE ANGLE OF THE ROOF, senior Jordan Nelson works on the house for building trades. (Photo by Victoria Hackett) 2. WHILE SPARRING FOR MARTIAL ARTS IN LIFETIME ACTIVITIES, senior Tyler Lehmann works in a kick to junior Jason Dvorak's side hoping to earn a point. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 3. WORKING ON THE DESIGN FOR HIS PAGE, senior Timothy Weber types up the finishing touches before turning it in. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 4. DURING CLASS TIME, junior Ellen Rossow uses the computer to type up her story for the Packer newspaper. (Photo by Zach Neer) 5. PREPARING TO HIT THE BALL, senior Michael Braaten concentrates on the ball to score a point in his game of Pickelball. (Photo by Aren Cassette) 6. THE DAY BEFORE HALLOWEEN, sophomores Jacob Fischer and Nathan Gilbraith celebrate Dia de los Muertos by making paper maché masks. (Photo by Devon Cavic)

PUTTING IN THE EXTRA EFFORT

Building Trades students reach quality of professionals

Looking into the real estate market, a new buyer may be skeptical about purchasing a home built by a group of teenagers. However, this is exactly what Building Trades teacher Robert Bjornson convinces them to do.

"I really believe our houses are better built," Bjornson said. "With our houses we take the time to fix our mistakes. In the real world, you're on a timeline so sometimes things get rushed. Here we don't have those kinds of mistakes."

Seniors Chad Watterud and Jared Bergeron agree the houses they build are top quality.

"We do all the things that actual builders in the community do," Watterud said. "I think we build as well as other building companies in the area."

"Our teacher keeps a close eye on us and makes sure we're doing everything right," Bergeron said.

The class builds two 1,800 square foot homes every year. They

"They're cheaper and they're built just as well as any other house," Bergeron said.

The students begin building the houses on the first day of school and work on them every day, three blocks a day, until May 1st. This equates to 483 hours per house every year.

These long hours are put to good use. The West Fargo Building Trades program places itself on a higher standard than other area schools.

"We do all our own dry walling and siding," Bjornson said. "North and South hire someone to come in and do theirs for them, and we're the only program in the Midwest that builds its own cabinets."

All the extra effort and hours will be seen when looking at the finished product of the houses.

"After looking at this house you'll realize why they buy houses built by kids," Bjornson said.

Johanna Erickson





Favorite Field Trip Memory



“My friends and I all decided to get shirts from the Spanish field trip and planned to wear them the next day. When we got to school I realized I was the only one who actually wore it.”

“Going to the river because we got out of the classroom and got to do test on the river.”



senior
Tanner Lauff



STUDENTS LEARN SPANISH CULTURE

Spanish students head to Valley City State

Spanish students were given the opportunity to miss a day of school to go to Valley City State University (VCSU) where they participated in a fun, Spanish-filled day put on by Valley City State students.

When they arrived at the university they were split into separate “tribes” and given a special “passport” that got them into the different “countries”. At these Spanish-speaking countries, students were able to participate in different activities where they learned about the country’s cultures and their traditions.

“When we headed to our first country, Argentina, we learned of the different arts that they did and how our world around us has influenced their drawings,” sophomore Tatiana Simiyu explained.

Another activity the students had the chance to take part in was learning different styles of dances such as the salsa and meringue, a two-step Latin American dance.

“It was really fun and interesting,” sophomore Hayley Molitor said. “I really enjoyed it and I think everyone had a good time learning the dances.”

After they were done visiting the countries, they participated in a scavenger hunt where they were given clues that guided them around the campus.

“It was fun but it didn’t really feel like a scavenger hunt,” Simiyu said. “All the teams just ended up following each other.”

Once the scavenger hunt ended, the students had the chance to try a variety of Spanish foods for lunch, such as enchiladas and tacos.

“Lunch was cool,” Molitor said. “The lunch ladies seemed excited and the food was good.”

The day ended with an awards ceremony where students were acknowledged for their posters and piñatas they made earlier that day.

“The trip was very educational,” Spanish teacher Christina Walker said. “The students were immersed in Spanish. I will gladly bring my students back.”

Alexis Tschosick
Alexis Tschosick



1 **Waiting to enter a new building on their scavenger hunt**, sophomores Brandon Ashburn and Melissa Odden have a good time on the Spanish trip to Valley City. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 2 **Throwing the sonde over the side of the bridge**, students on a field trip in Environmental Science class check the pH levels, water temperature and dissolved oxygen in the river. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 3 **On a trip to the Plan Arts Museum**, junior Lauren Zent examines the work of other artists on display. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 4 **Keeping herself from falling into the water**, senior Tiffany Nerud holds onto junior Tyler Kennedy while testing the pH levels and temperature with the sonde. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 5 **Visiting the Pacific Ocean on their trip to Portland, Oregon** with other yearbook staff members, sophomore Samantha Nelson and junior Army Matzke run away from the ice cold waves. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 6 **Waiting for the next clue on their scavenger hunt**, sophomores Nicole Solem and Haley Johnson pause during the action. (Photo by Aren Cossette)

Students grab college credit advantage

Credit classes give students a head start

At the end of the year comes most seniors start worrying about college. They begin to start talking about where their fellow seniors are attending, where they're living, who they're rooming with, and the challenges of college classes. On the other hand, the few graduating students with an abundance of college credit have one less factor to worry about. They are leaving high school behind with a good start on college credit through taking dual credit classes. Senior Danielle Meyer will begin her freshman year at the University of North Dakota or the University of South Dakota as a sophomore because she took a large number of dual credit classes. "My classes have been more challenging, but have helped me be better prepared for college," Meyer said. Dual credit classes give students an opportunity to take a college course while still in high school. "Typically you're earning college credits while in high school with a huge financial saving," Assistant Principal Cory Steiner said. "The cost for one credit of a dual credit class taken in high school is \$45. When taking that one credit in college, it could be from \$150 to \$500 depending on the college. Usually, the cost at the university the more a credit will cost in comparison to a dual credit class." "My parents will pay for my dual credit classes while I'm still in high school," junior Heather Manske said. "I am taking as many dual credit classes as I can before I go to college and have to pay for it on my own." Dual credit classes help students get a head start on college by giving them an idea on what is to come, while still being in the high school setting. Dual credit classes help to challenge students and prepare them for college, while giving them college credit at the same time. "Dual credit classes in Biology and Physiology dual credit teacher Michael Preston said. "Dual credit classes are college level and therefore are more demanding than regular high school classes. The first semester, students took 780 college credits and the second semester, more were taken. According to Steiner, "Students took twice as many dual credit classes than anyone else in the school."

The majority of the dual credit classes are more time consuming than regular classes. "Students who are taking them are choosing to be there," Steiner said. "The desire that they have to be in there overrides the difficulty of the class."

Amy Matzke
Amy Matzke



1. Dressed as a grandma, junior Connor Wright kisses senior Megan Lies on the cheek while filming commercials for Fundamentals of Public Speaking. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 2. While informing their classmates about the problems in their assigned country, seniors Sean Fawbush and Jack Stromberg present their project in microeconomics. (Photo by Aren Cossette) 3. Before beginning to remove layers of fat from the cat, senior Elizabeth Anderson and junior Malaya Johnson look over their dissecting tools. (Photo by Tiffany Pittner) 4. During debate class, senior Danielle Meyer dresses in character to act as a witness in a mock trial. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 5. While in sociology, senior Lucas Mitzel listens intently to a lecture. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 6. In college algebra, senior Emily Holland plays Plinko. (Photo by Aren Cossette)

The reason I take dual credit classes is...

Kaylee Lotzspeich Junior



"...to save money for college."

Ryan Binde Senior



"...because then I won't have to take them in college and it is cheaper to take them in high school rather than in college."

Samantha Egeneschink Junior



"...because a classroom setting is easier to learn in than a large auditorium."



Slack No More

Morphs into Structured Class

"Slack class" is a term defined by students as a class that has little-to-no homework, minimal structure and/or a undemanding teacher. Through the years it has been passed down that business computer application classes are easy classes without much to them. Recently students are beginning to realize this stereotype is no longer true.

Tools have BCA classes to help the students maneuver their way through common computer programs to help students keep up with the latest technology. Now that technology has become commonplace for businesses and colleges, these classes have grown in importance to prepare students for the future.

Helping to prepare students for the future may be the intended purpose for these classes, but many students do not take the classes with that intention. Many are just looking for a credit that doesn't require much work. Junior Jordan Rasmussen was one of these students looking for an easy credit.

"It was a slack class that I wasn't going to get homework in," Rasmussen said. "When I got there it was harder than I thought it would be because I had to follow along."

Although the students may not think of these classes as interesting, they do take them seriously and try their best to hold the students' attention long enough for them to learn.

"It's good fundamentals," business education teacher Jay Gibson said. "People use Word and Excel commonly in every business. Even if you go to a parts store you use Excel. You can't escape from it."

When starting the class some students are surprised they have work to do. Senior Christina Lammers was slightly taken aback when she started her first assignment.

"It was really easy, except some parts, like page breaks," Lammers said. "I didn't understand and I had to figure them out on my own."

The complexity of the class, like all classes, is different for everyone.

In the case of BCA classes, the more tech savvy students have an edge when completing the assignment. If they complete their assignments early there is always something else for them to do.

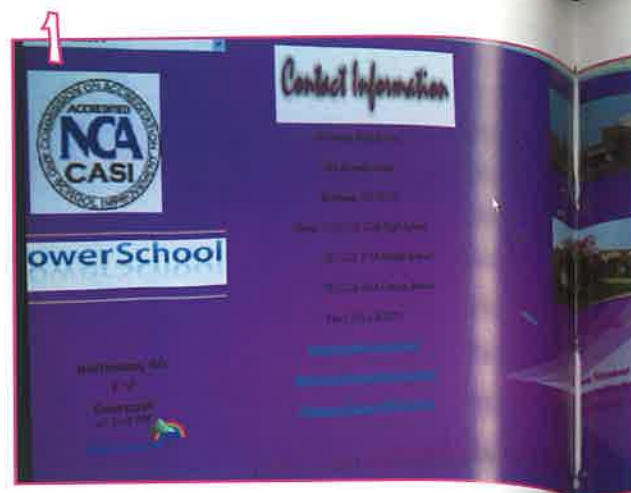
"A good thing is they keep busy with so many assignments," Gibson said. "The way the class is built is the [students] that are good help ones that are like having 10 teachers in the room."

BCA classes not only teach problem-solving techniques, but also help students become more comfortable with peer teaching.

"I helped Rooy (junior Lulut) and Jake (junior Sorum) during their assignment," Rasmussen said. "Everyone helped each other because we all needed it."

What was once considered a "slack class" has formed into a class with high expectations, structure, and skills that every student will need for the future.

Devon Cavic
Devon Cavic



Average Words Per Minute

32 students in BCA II and III tested.

Girls

54 WPM

Boys

42 WPM



1. Presenting his final web page in the Web Design class, senior Andrew Vedquam's final that he designed to replicate a Bottineau High School website projects onto the screen. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

2. Thinking about the answers to the test, senior Andrew Vedquam focuses on his computer screen during web design on Nov. 12th. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

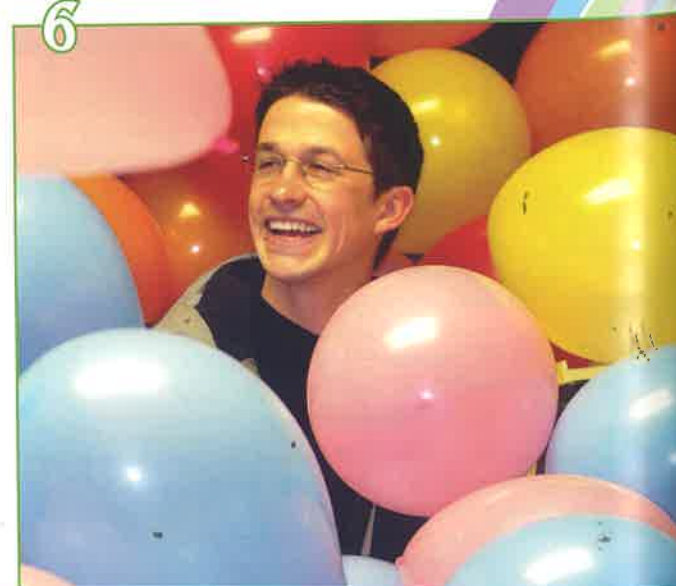
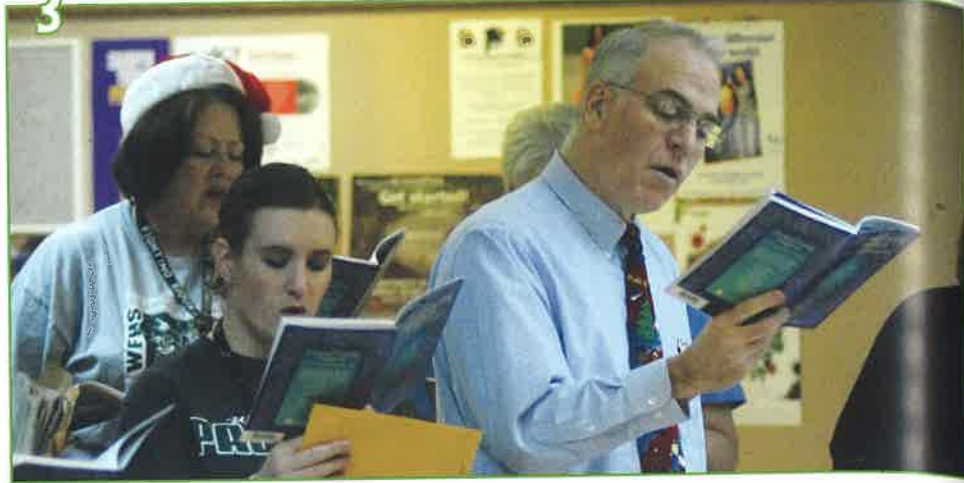
3. Helping his neighbor through peer teaching, sophomore Austen Adams helps sophomore Brook Rheault with her assignment during BCA III on Nov. 5th. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)

4. Finishing up, junior Matthew Delaney looks at the next direction on his test in Web Design on Nov. 14th. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

5. Projecting the replica web page she designed for the final on Jan. 12th, junior Erica Semmens shows off her colorful creation. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

6. Smiling away, sophomore Aspen Busse enjoys working on his sound animation during multimedia on Nov. 9th. (Photo by Katie Birenkott)





For teacher Theme Day, science teacher Kathy Antonelli participates in the science department "Night Live" theme as the character Gilly. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **2. Dressed as lunch** food service workers participate in staff theme day. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **3. During the** season, ELL teacher Sonja Butenhoff and choir teacher Jeffery Mueller carol for the students at school. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) **4. Showing off their skills**, math teacher Duane Broecker and teacher Mark Bertson perform "Macarena" for the crowd at the Spring Talent Show put on by the school. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) **5. While addressing her class**, French teacher Rachel Dwyer stands in front of a French class during teacher theme week. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **6. On his birthday**, English teacher Michael Krinke stands among the hundreds of balloons that filled his classroom. (Photo submitted by Michael Krinke) **7. Attempting to answer trivia questions** about his wife, science teacher Michael Preston plays a game with junior and senior couples during the winter pep rally. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)



What do you always have with you?

Can you find the matches?



Dixie MILLER
secretary



Donald BURNHAM
math teacher



Matthew SLOCOMB
social studies teacher



Joji ROBINSON
food service worker



AWARDS acknowledge staff members

Faculty receives recognition for achievement

"There are two words you want to hear during the Sturgis Big Bike Rally in South Dakota, 'nice bike,'" Assistant Principal Cory Steiner said.

Steiner went to a seminar in Jamestown, ND. The title of the main speech given was called "Nice Bike". The speech was based on people saying "nice bike" from the Big Bike Rally.

With permission from the speaker, Steiner decided to adopt these words to use at for the faculty Nice Bike awards.

The Nice Bike awards are given out to a faculty member each month. They receive the award for going out of their way to assist in various ways within the school.

"It is called the Nice Bike award because the meaning is simple, but effective," Steiner said.

Teachers receive nominations from other faculty members, but students and parents are also allowed to give their input if a teacher has really helped them out.

Awards are usually given out at the staff meetings so all staff members are able to see the award.

motivate teachers to do more than they already do," Spanish teacher Jessica Raile said.

Raile was nominated for a Nice Bike award.

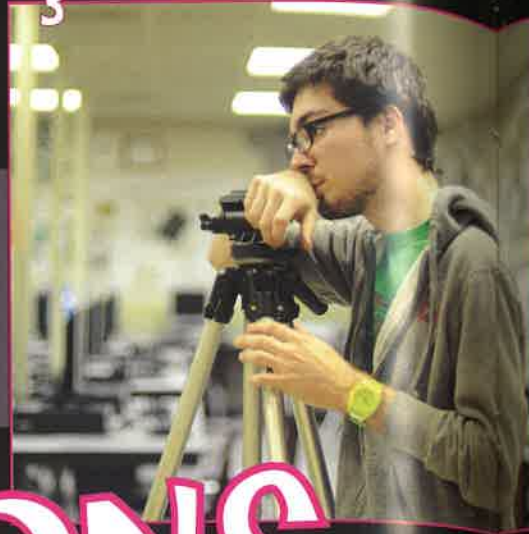
"I was nominated because I called a student who had recently dropped out of high school," Raile said. "I told him I missed him and hoped he would come back, and he ended up coming back."

She was awarded at a staff meeting with a certificate and a pin for the nomination.

The March winner for the Nice Bike award was ELL teacher Sara Roth. "I won because I drove a student to and from her job at JCPenny's," Roth said.

She won a plaque, pin and certificate for her impact she made on this student's life.

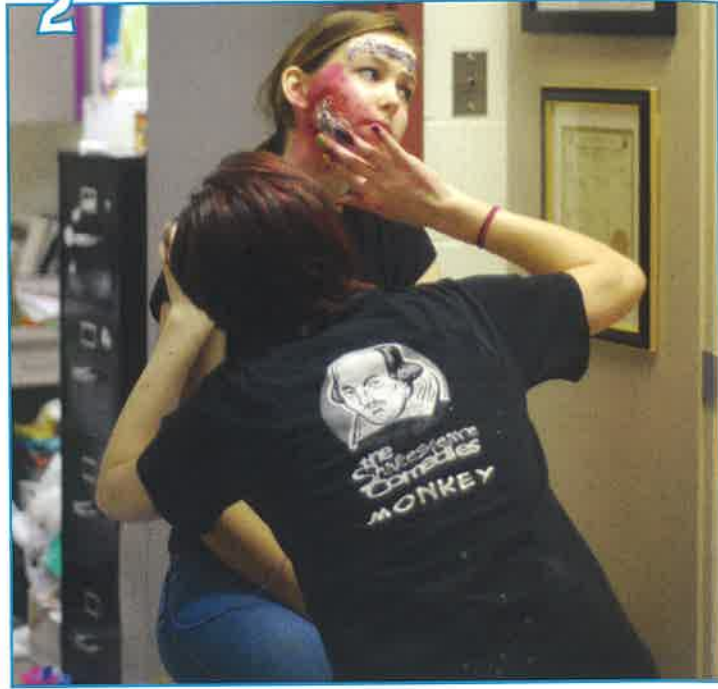
"I think this idea is a good way for the staff to see what other people in the building are doing right," Roth said.



Organizations



1. Pretending to be dead with a glass shard through his chest, junior Connor Wright lays on the ground while participating in a CERT simulation. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 2. Playing bingo during a French club meeting, senior Emily Erickson laughs as she plays. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 3. Leaning on his tripod, junior Matthew Eckelberg listens in on in-



STUDENT COUNCIL WELCOMES THE 'NEWBIES'

Old Members bond with newcomers

Knees shaking, praying no one would call out her name and expect her to talk, sophomore Natalie Aamot sat in the back of the classroom listening to Student Council President Levi Bachmeier talk about what to expect from this year's Student Council.

"I was kind of nervous about being in Student Council since this was my first year in the high school and I didn't really know anyone," Aamot said.

Student Council received eight new members this year including sophomores Natalie Aamot, Alan Repak, and Faye Stromberg.

Every year high school clubs work to make new comers feel welcomed. This year's Student Council decided to make t-shirts together. They made the shirts not to only make their "newbies" feel more comfortable, but to show their support for junior Missy Halda, who was elected to run for Class A Representative at state Student Council.

They had to agree on a design so they came up with the Christmas theme.

"We used the theme 'A Year without Missy is Like a Year without Christmas' because it was an easy, intimate, and fun theme," Stromberg said.

Members got together at junior Nicole Peterson's house to make the shirts.

"We just hung out and talked," Aamot said, "It was really fun and it helped me to get to know everybody more."

Everyone wore their decorated Christmas t-shirts at State to support Halda.

"I learned a lot about the younger classmen and we went into state feeling a lot more comfortable with each other," Halda said.

All Student Council members agreed that making the shirts was a good bonding experience.

"The juniors and seniors made me feel just as welcome as the returning Student Council members," Repak said. "It was really fun."

Alexis Tscholik
Alexis Tscholik

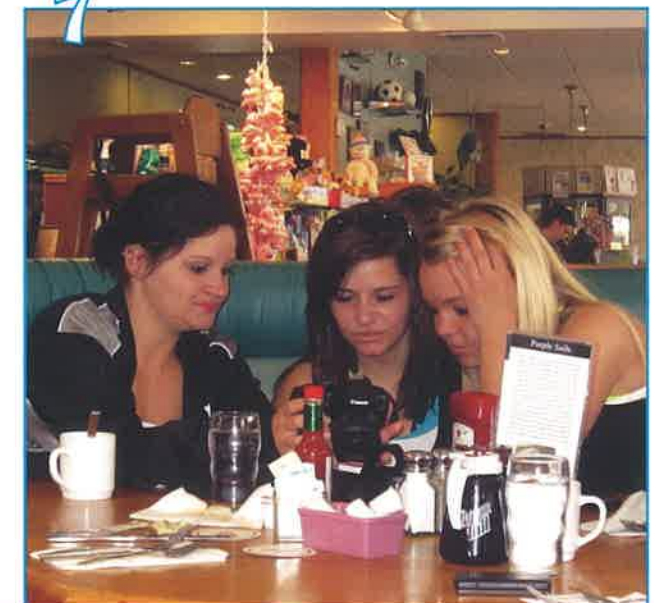
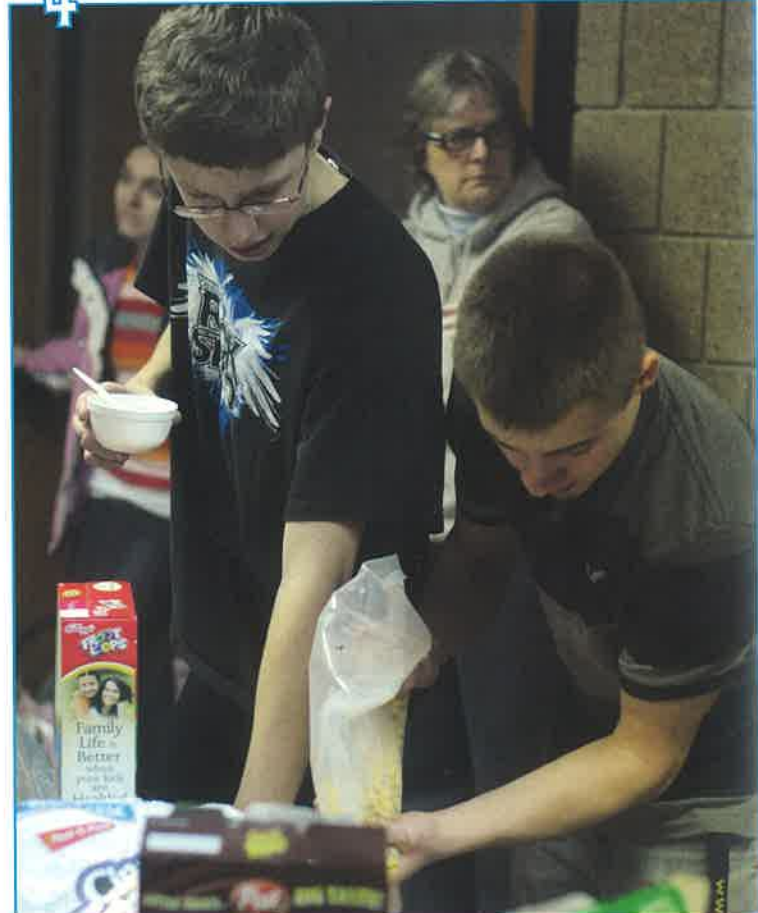
My best bonding experience was...

"...Anime board, everyone dressing up as characters they like."

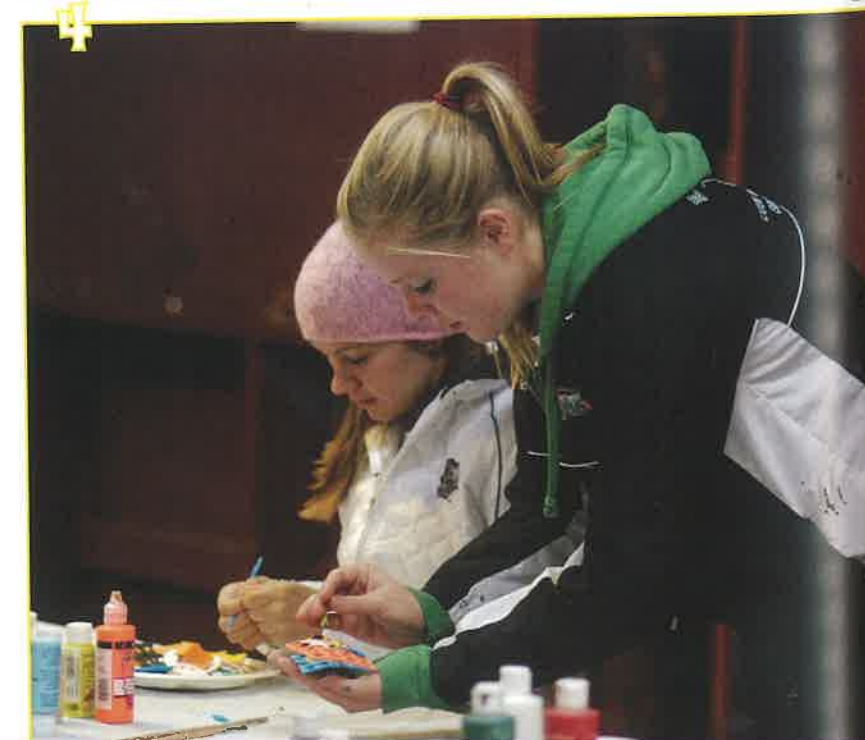
"...Central Region DECA, with the dances they had."



Stephanie Shegana

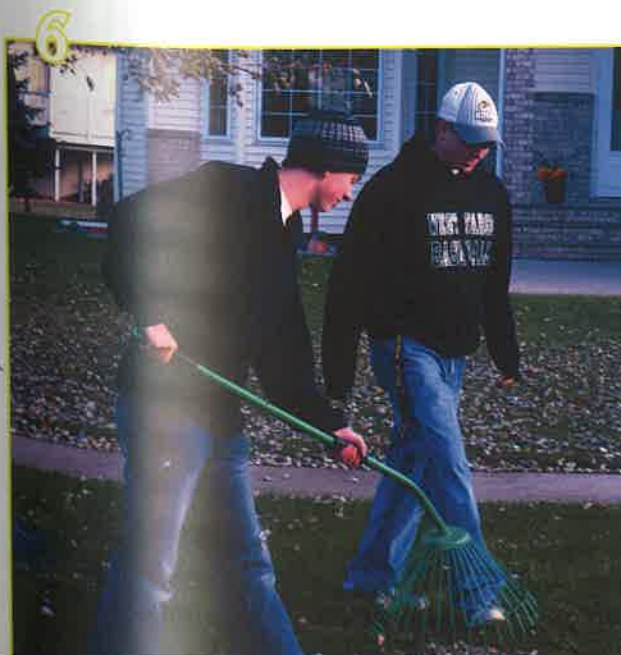


CLUB, seniors Justine Skauge and Myla Kulink dress as characters for...
 Photo by Jordi Braaten) 2. Getting ready for a CERT practice, sophomore Jill while she gets her make up done. (Photo by Cassie Pillen)
 ONG HOMEWORK, eating breakfast, and talking, the choir students gather in the classroom in the morning. (Photo by Devon Cavic) 4. DURING a bonding PERFORMANCE OF "CATS", junior Jordan Degerness and senior Patrick Rich themselves a second bowl of cereal. (Photo by Tiffany Pitterer)
 THE WEEK BEFORE PROM, juniors Mary Gust and Katelyn Holland paint decoration for Grand March. (Photo by Emily Schaffler) 6. DURING a Cabaret V PERFORMANCE, junior Lauren Ugelstad and sophomore Jazmyne Reinke the crowd what the next skit is going to be. (Photo by Cristina Martinz)
 SITTING at the pig 'N pancake, junior Katie Birrenkott and sophomores



CLUB COMPARISON

	Student Council	NHS	Key Club	TOTAL
Number of hours volunteered	2000	2700	1000+	5700+



1. SMASHING ON THE CAR during the Key Club car smash, sophomore **Geary** takes a smash at the roof of the car. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **2. WRAPPING OUT AT SOUTH ELEMENTARY**, senior NHS members **Chelsey Fend** and **Jillian Bechtold** wrap Christmas gifts that third graders bought for their event. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **3. DRESSED UP AS A PUMPKIN**, senior **Rebecca** collects cans for the trick-or-canning event in October. (Photo by Jordi) **4. PREPARING THE SUPPLIES**, seniors **Madison Anderson** and **Meghan** finish cutting out shapes for the kids that attended the NHS Pumpkin event. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) **5. WHILE VOLUNTEERING AT YUNKER**, sophomore **Rachel Kranda** smiles as she colors with a child. (Photo by Emily) **6. RAKING A YARD IN THE FALL**, junior NHS members **Chris Mohan** and **Kevin Trowbridge** volunteer as a part of Rake-N-Run. (Photo by Victoria Hackett) **7. BLOOD IS PUMPED FROM HER ARM**, senior **Kayla Miller** talks to a volunteer during the Student Council Blood Drive. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)

The most random way I volunteered was...

"...I played volleyball against the teachers. It was fun because it was something I'd like to do anyways, but I got to volunteer at the same time."

"...I went to Innovis hospital bringing books and magazines to the patients and ran the gift shop. It was a good way to spend some of my free time in the summer."



Holly Johnson



Students Strive to Help Gunderson leads students to volunteer

...ge, on my honor, to uphold the objects of Key Club International; to build school, and community; to serve my nation and God; and combat all ch tend to undermine these institutions."
...many students this pledge doesn't have an impact in their lives, but to Key dent and senior Katelyn Gunderson they are words to live by.
...Gunderson has been volunteering off and on with her church for most of her freshman year she joined Key Club and has been giving up most of her free volunteering ever since.
...ish teacher and Key Club adviser Christina Walker remembers when n first joined Key Club.
...e was very involved from the beginning," Walker said. "She was the only to go to the big conventions [for Key Club]. She was always very involved."
...Gunderson is also president of the National Honors Society [NHS]. She knew it a lot to handle but still took on the challenge.
...decided to run for president of NHS and Key Club because I love helping Gunderson said. "I wanted to be able to emerge as a leader in showing other t involved in the community."
...ker is not the only person who notices Gunderson's leadership qualities.
...y Club member senior Katerina Voronova also noticed Gunderson's love

"She's a good leader and she is very involved," Voronova said. "You can tell she really likes it."
Gunderson has brought a new opportunity to Key Club during her presidency. The first decision she made when elected president of Key Club was to allow the lettering. In the past, the administrators had turned down lettering due to a lack of regulations and what kind of letter it would be.
"I made sure lettering became a reality," Gunderson said.
Gunderson believes that lettering will be incentive for more students to join Key Club.
Gunderson is also doing her best to inspire others to volunteer. Walker describes Gunderson's personality as having energy and generosity.
"She's so excited and it inspires others," Walker said. "She has a lit in her voice that gets others excited to volunteer so they can have the excitement too."
Gunderson continues to build up her school by recruiting students to volunteer, which also helps students reach out into the community. She fights for the institution by taking West Fargo's club to the same level as other schools in the region. The Key Club pledge follows Gunderson through her experiences and will be a part of her life for years to come."

Devon Cavic



1. At Key Club's Fall Festival senior Katelyn Gunderson hands a little girl a basketball to shoot into the hoop. (Photo by Kaite Birrenkott) 2. Working in an assembly line, junior Alexandra Carthew and senior Austin Keller work together to empty a truck full of food during Fill the Dome. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 3. While at Waterford Bingo for Key Club, senior Sheena Houkum rolls the bangle to call out numbers for the elderly. (Photo by Kaite Birrenkott) 4. After having her blood drawn for the Student Council Blood Drive junior Oksana Tyulyandina raises her arm to force the blood to flow back into her arm. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 5. Drawing a picture on a child's hand, junior Amanda Wilkens volunteers at the pumpkin patch through NHS. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 6. Passing cans from person to person, sophomore Erin Krough, and seniors Ashley Kranda and Thane Hillig work at Fill the Dome. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 7. Flipping through a magazine to bide her time, junior Samantha Bidschink gives blood. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)



French Club takes a Step in a giving direction

Members lend a hand to Haiti

Haiti experienced a devastating earthquake on Jan. 12, 2010, throwing its people onto the island and the people who live there. Because Haiti is a French-speaking country, French Club members took a special interest in doing something to help, but not only with the expenses of rebuilding the country. Cora Bollinger, vice president of French Club, believed helping out Haiti would give students more knowledge about the French language. "We try to expand people's knowledge besides France, because there are other countries that speak French, Haiti being one of them," Bollinger said. To assist in this cause, the members of French Club put together two fundraisers and raised more than \$300, enough to supply six families with food for a week, according to Compassion International. Usually, French Club members fundraise to help pay for their trips to France. However, helping Haiti became a priority. Junior Chelsey Buth, a French Club member, believes fundraising for a cause like Haiti was more meaningful than fundraising for her own benefit. "I feel like we did something helpful," Buth said. "It is a very rewarding thing to help save lives." French Club students were able to help out this country in need, when otherwise they might not have had an opportunity to do anything for Haiti. "Some people probably did not know how or what to do to fundraise for Haiti," Buth said. "Through French Club, it gave them a boost to help Haiti." Students at West Fargo High School took advantage of the opportunity provided by French Club to help. Bollinger was one of the members in charge of the Snuggie/Blanket Day fundraiser. Students were given a chance to carry a Snuggie or wear a Snuggie if they paid a dollar toward Haiti. "If people weren't wearing a Snuggie they would still donate a dollar to help Haiti," Bollinger said.

Each French Club member was touched by the chance to help out a country from Haiti, including senior Christina Bohn. If given the chance they would be willing to take the opportunity to help out a country in need again. "It's super rewarding to be able to make a difference, even though we're a small group of kids," Bohn said. "Even if we only made one person's life better, it's totally worth it."

Kaylisha Omand
 Raleigh Omand



1. Supporting Snuggie/blanket day, senior Emily Erickson wears her blanket during choir. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 2. Preparing to deliver, junior Cora Bollinger smells the hand made candles she sold for French Club. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 3. A selection of baked goods, provided by Key Club, are placed on a table during lunch while junior Alexis Greer talks to one of her last customers for the day. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 4. In order for drama to raise money for a new sound board, junior Chelsey Buth tries to convince seniors Cristina Martinez and Chelsea Gentzkow to buy a pin. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 5. While at parent teacher conferences, junior Kelsey Drayton sells Toblerone for money to go on the drama trip to New York. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 6. FCCLA's fundraiser, Jeans for Teens, helps out Haiti by having students donate jeans, while Aeropostale matches every pair donated. (Photo by Devon Covic)



Organization	Fundraisers	Amount Raised
Yearbook	candy bar wrapping	\$1,400
French Club	snuggie/blanket day	\$312
Drama	selling pins	\$7,500
Key Club	bake sale	\$120

The Worst thing about Fundraising is...



Ashley De Leon
 junior

"...organizing the whole thing."



Tyler Bertsch
 senior

"...calling people and having to talk to them."



Carissa Becher
 junior

"...convincing people to buy what you want."





THE BEST THING ABOUT FUNDRAISING IS...

CHARLIE LUONG





"...the feeling you get deep inside knowing you impact the community."

"...giving the school the opportunity to help those less fortunate."

LEVI BACHMAYER



TWIN TELEPATHY

	 Erin Krogh Sophomore	 Allison Krogh Sophomore
Organization involved in	Student Council	Student Council
Favorite fundraiser	Fill the Dome	Bell Ringing
Hardest fundraiser	Fill the Dome	Selling coupon books



1. BRACING FOR IMPACT, English teacher Aaron Knodel takes a pie in the face from junior Taylor Nerby as part of a fundraiser for DECA, raising money for MDA. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **2. AT PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES**, sophomore Bianca Wegner and Peter Slabik set up their wood art work. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **3. WORKING AT THE PUMPKIN PATCH**, NHS member junior Alyssa Scott helps out a child at National Honor Society's Halloween party. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) **4. PREPARING TO MAKE A SALE**, sophomore Rachel Kranda works the Dippin' Dot stand for the Renaissance Club. (Photo by Kelsey Dault) **5. VOLUNTEERING FOR NHS** junior Kacie Johnson helps a little girl pick out a pumpkin at Elmwood for service credits. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) **6. SELLING MASKS** junior Kelsey Drayton sits during her lunch to try to raise funds for the NHS masquerade ball. (Photo by Jordi Braaten) **7. GETTING READY TO THROW HER PIE**, sophomore Jessica Manning focuses on her target, English teacher Jeremy Murphy. (Photo by Devon Cavic) **8. FOR KEY CLUB'S FUNDRAISER**, junior Heather Brazel arranges the roses bought for significant others to celebrate Valentine's Day. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)

What Special event do you Want For Next year?



"Probably dodgeball just because everyone gets so into it and a lot of people participate."

"I want a Victoria's Secret runway fashion show by my locker."



AUSTIN ALTHOFF



"A Badminton tournament."



1. **At the art work**, sophomore Lucas Stillwell and senior Shandi Mack wander through the library eating snacks looking at fellow students' art. (Photo by Aren Cosette) 2. **At Key Club's car fundraiser**, junior Taylor Nerby punctures the back of the beat up car. (Photo by Aren Cosette) 3. **While standing at attention**, sophomore Tanner Otto competes at Fargo South High during a drill competition. (Photo by Anna Samson) 4. **Just missing a ball**, junior Jacob Ferguson jumps in the air during the dodgeball tournament. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 5. **Swinging with a bat**, junior Kevin Trowbridge participates in the faculty versus students softball game as an effort to raise money for Matthew Hersch. (Photo by Katie Bimenkott) 6. **Passing out awards**, senior Meranda Pyle reaches to grab the next winner from senior Daniel Hoy at the annual Academic Award Ceremony. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) 7. **Working all day**, senior Meranda Harris strategically works on her chalk art with the other members of her team. (Photo by Katie Bimenkott)



CHALK USED to create art

Anticipated event finally takes place

The drive to finish and make the vision come alive on the sidewalk overpowers everything else. The promise of a sunburn, raw hands and chalk-covered clothing is no deterrent. The second annual Chalk Fest event finally occurred, after three date changes, on May 18. Due to the numerous times it was rescheduled there was a slight decline in groups, yet a fair amount still participated. There were also a few last minute entries.

Junior Signe Swanson lost track of the date and only found out about it that morning. Due to the rushed decision, Swanson worked alone.

Despite the fact that she skipped breakfast, lunch, math class, study hall, and newspaper class, Swanson was still unable to finish her elaborate Jekyll and Hyde depiction.

"When it's incomplete I can't be fully satisfied with it, but for the time limit I had I think I did an excellent job," Swanson said. "It's a bit of a curse for an artist. We are never fully satisfied with our work."

Working on the project all day with a group was still a time crunch for some. Seniors Meranda Harris, Brenna Fisher, and Anna Wang spent their day working away in the hot sun on their abstract woman/angel design.

Dave Savegeau, 2009 graduate, returned to take on the task of judging the pieces. Art teacher Eric Syvertson was glad he didn't have to choose winners.

"I figured it'd be nice to have an alumni come back and see how they're doing," Syvertson said.

Bringing in a college student who is an Art major to judge was not only a good idea to Syvertson, but to participants as well.

"I thought it was a cool idea," Wang said. "He participated last year so he knows the effort that's put into it. I don't think there could have been a better person."

Having participated in the event himself, Savegeau understands the effort that goes into working with chalk.

"For an art supply that's basically for little kids, it's amazing to see what people could do," Syvertson said.

This is an event that's growing in popularity and gaining support throughout the school.





How to Make Fake Blood For CERT Simulations..

Ingredients:
 1/2 cup white corn syrup
 1/2 cup red food coloring
 1/2 cup liquid laundry soap
 1/2 cup blue food coloring



Gather ingredients



Add first three ingredients



Mix well, adding blue food coloring as needed to achieve desired blood color



1 While up to bat, English teacher Aaron Knodel jumps out of the way as senior Mason Herman moves to catch the ball during the faculty vs. student softball game. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **2** Carrying a victim to safety during a CERT simulation, senior Mitchell Krauter practices the skills he learned in the class. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **3** Skipping into the military ball, seniors Kenneth Griesbach and Tyler Bertsch toss rose petals before the JROTC king and queen walk in. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **4** At the car smash fundraiser, junior Javier Ortiz Jr. raises the sledgehammer for a good cause. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **5** Selling prom tickets, juniors Taylor Birrenkott and Whitney Walsh put money into the cash register and fill out forms for Grand March while earning hours for Prom Committee. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **6** Volunteering at Junket Farm, senior Ashley Kranda face paints during an Easter egg hunt. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **7** Explaining the dangers of not wearing a seatbelt, school resource officer Todd Pearson talks to a group of students before showing a simulation of a rollover accident. (Photo by Arien Cossette)





What place did you get...

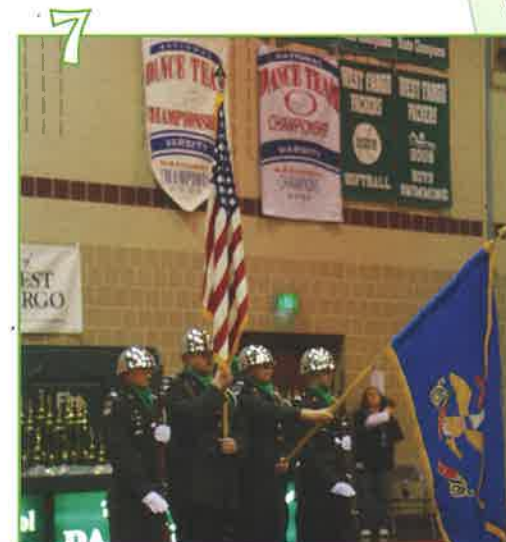


"I got first place at the Fargo Shanley tournament on my speech to inform."

"Samatha Eidenschink and I got 5th overall at DECA state."



Megan Turner



1. WHILE ON break, seniors Danielle Meyer, Kate Gunderson, junior Matthew Pitzer, and sophomore Jacob Fischer discuss the previous round During the McDonald's trivia challenge. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 2. FIGHTING FOR HIS POSITION, sophomore Vibhav Singh explains his stand. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 3. WHILE at a student congress meet, sophomore Cassidy Blakeway prepares her notes for her presentation while a member of the opposing side gives their speech. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 4. DURING a dynamic duos speech, senior Kristin Kautz performs the speech called "Funeral Parlor." (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 5. AS THE FIRST act OF THE TALENT SHOW, junior Blake Marrow plays guitar while junior Steven Slocomb sings to the song "What Is Love?" by Nevershoutnever. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 6. GLADLY accepting her award, junior Amy Matzke smiles as a result of her first place win in sports writing at the NIPA competition. 7. STANDING IN LINE, sophomores Lucas Raile, Ryan Wold, Josh Hedstrom and Garret Irwin present the flags during the National Anthem just before the Packatahna show at the high school. (Photo by Victoria Hackert) 8. SMILING and waving at students, the foreign language teachers Parade around the lunchroom in an attempt to gain extra votes during teacher theme week. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

FIGHTING FOR THE WIN

Trivia team challenges the outcome

Coming from behind for the win is the ideal victory for any competitor. A close match leaves both winning and losing sides of the competition full of emotion and excitement. In the McDonald's High School Trivia Challenge, the West Fargo team encountered a close second round win.

Grand Forks Central proved to be a fierce opponent during the second match. The score was close until the end, where West Fargo edged above the competition.

"We were almost tied the first two rounds," sophomore Jacob Fisher said. "Then in the last round we got one more question right and won by five."

After the trivia team answered a question in the second round, the judge indicated that it was wrong. The team's coaches Sean Bourke and Aaron Knodel contested the answer in hopes of getting it correct.

"Without that question we would have been done," Bourke said.

After the close victory, the team moved on to their next opponent, Griggs County High School, and won by a large deficit. They also earned another victory in the semi-finals against Perham High School to advance to the finals.

The member's excitement and confidence rose after every win they achieved, but none of which was as exciting as the winning question to advance to the finals.

"I was very excited that I got to help my team win," senior Danielle Meyer said.

The team came up short in the finals with a loss to Thief River Falls High School. West Fargo lost in the first round the year before.

Despite losing in the end, the team's expectations were exceeded by making it to the finals.

"We could have never imagined getting so far," Bourke said.

Zach Neer
Zach Neer



Can you HANDLE the trivia CHALLENGE?

ANSWERS



Junior
Ethan Hettwer



Senior
Katerina Voronova

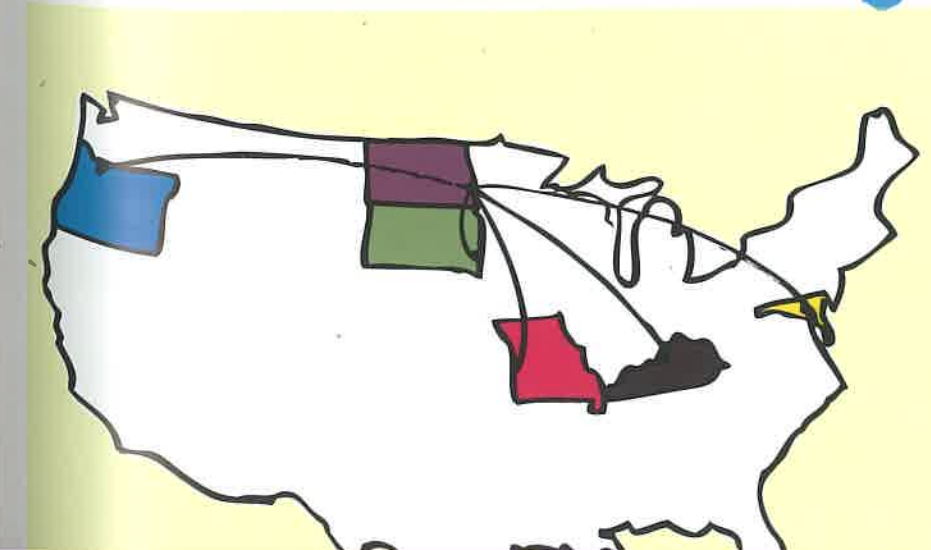
Name this precious gem, a transparent form of the mineral beryl that is known for its green color.	Emerald	Emerald	Peridot
What zodiac constellation is shown as a man pouring water into a jar?	Aquarius	Aquarius	Aquarius
What Pamela Travers book tells of Jane and Michael Banks and their nanny that can fly around the room?	"Mary Poppins"	"Mary Poppins"	"Mary Poppins"



4. At the Fargo South Drill Competition, Major Christopher Sjaue talks to senior Tyler Bertsch about the days events. (Photo by Anna Samson)



5. Standing with his Award of Excellence, junior Jean Luke Arel waits for the judges to announce what place he received during DECA state awards. (Photo by Jordy Emmert)



Top 5 Farthest places to travel for competitions

- 1. Oregon**
(1,496 miles)
- 2. Maryland**
(1,343 miles)
- 3. Kentucky**
(937 miles)
- 4. Missouri**
(601 miles)



Oregon



1. In the capitol building for the State Student Congress Meet, senior Danielle Meyer presents her speech in front of other student senators. (Photo submitted by Student Congress)

2. Receiving awards for his work on "The Packer", junior Alex Kuchta accepts his certificate during the spring NIPA convention. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer)

3. Looking over the rules for music production, senior Tanner Logan prepares for state for Technology Students Association. (Photo by Kelsey Davil)

FORMERS discover a NEW talent

Refining the steps for a big show

The bell rings, students scurry their way out of school, all except for the cast or whom a night full of chains and pivots is just beginning. Year in "Cats" the whole cast has transformed into dancers. In previous years, the main focus has been on acting, but for this show it is all about singing and dancing. Actors from plays prior to "Cats", such as senior Laurel Schuessler, had to adjust to their new parts.

"When you are dancing, you have to be precise," Schuessler said. "Where as acting, you can improvise and it's hardly noticeable."

Dancing techniques can be challenging to those who are new to performing. However, within the cast, there are people who have taken dance classes in elementary and are still in dance.

Senior Holly Johnson has been in dance for nine years and has been featured in the last four years in high school plays.

(Acting) was difficult at the beginning because everyone was at different acting levels, but the whole cast really stepped up," Johnson said. "We called in vocal practices to help people catch up, which I think helped a lot of people." Senior Alyssa Scott, who has been in jazz and kick for six years, thinks her previous experience has helped her with the dancing in "Cats".

"Dancing requires you to have control of your movements of your body," Scott said. "When you are acting as a cat, you have to move slowly and gracefully, so having control is key." Although some of the cast had danced for shows before, others had a minor amount of experience.

Senior Chandler Boehm, dancing was not usually a major part of his performance.

"I have been in nine plays, and I've had to dance in four of them," Boehm said.

"I have been a lead dancer, so the dancing in this show is really challenging."

The whole cast had dance rehearsal for about 12 weeks, with hours varying from 15 to 25 or more.

Towards the start of dance rehearsals, the cast found it difficult to adjust their daily lives to the vigorous rehearsal hours.

"I wasn't used to using my body like a cat and dancing so much," Schuessler said.

"It's easier now I'm more used to it."

With the whole cast taking part in dancing, everyone has their moment to shine. It's a great equal chance to both sing and dance.

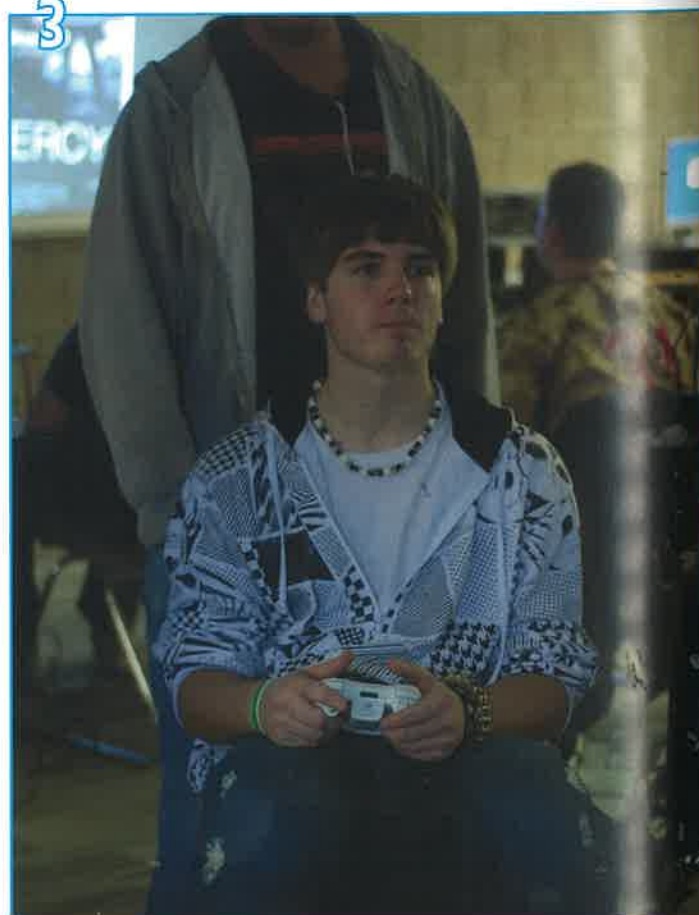
"Having the whole cast dance, it allows the audience more to view on stage."

"I'm intrigued in the show," Boehm said. "I think it makes us closer because we are all in it."

"If only one person fall behind, otherwise it will affect us all."

Katie Birrenkott

Katie Birrenkott



My Favorite Play Was...



Cody Brunette

"...Lucky Stiff, it was a lot of fun to go see."



Danielle Davila

"...Cats, because I feel as a cast we were amazing and it was a lot of fun."



Taylor Dahl

"...Lucky Stiff, we really came together as a cast and a crew to create something brilliant."



1. HELPING HER FRIENDS in the Chalk Fest competition, junior Jordan Brahmmer-Cardiel colors in Marilyn Monroe's hair at the start of their project. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 2. DURING THE SPRING drama production of "Cats", sophomore Jordan Degerness seduces the female cats with his solo performance as Rum Tum Tugger. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 3. DEEPLY INTO HIS GAME, junior Gabe Winslow plays his game during Gaming Club. (Photo by Jordii Braten) 4. BELTING OUT "MY HEART WILL GO ON" by Celine Dion, sophomore Elah Limerick makes the audience listen during the talent show put on by Student Council at the end of March. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 5. WITH A GUN pointed at senior Caitlin Leick, senior Solveig Swanson threatens senior Robert Jacobs while performing "The Lucky Stiff." (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 6. DANCING TO THE "TIME WARP" during Cabaret, sophomore Christopher Taylor and senior Laurel Schuessler high five each other. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 7. WHILE AT THE CHRISTMAS choir concert on Dec. 8, senior Samantha Pyle, juniors Blake Marrow and Alyssa Scott, and senior Michael Olson carol for the crowd. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 8. AT THE FALL band concert, senior Melissa Van Cleve plays her clarinet. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)





1. Adding a bit more makeup, senior Robert Jacobs prepares for his lead role in "Lucky Stiff". (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 2. Practicing for their show, juniors Miranda Sprung and Tyler Bushe recite their skit for Cabaret and Improv. (Photo by Aren Cossette) 3. At the Student Council's talent show, seniors Dillon Knight and Brandon Tveito sing "That One Song" in their band Odd Man Out. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 4. Playing her violin, junior Oksana Tyulyandina concentrates on hitting the right notes in the Orchestra concert. (Photo by Victoria Hachett) 5. On the art club trip to the Plains Art Museum, senior Brenna Fisher looks at a display of black and white pictures featuring women from North Dakota. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 6. While senior Angie Dockter sets up a movie, senior Myla Kulink brushes her hair during Anime Club. (Photo by Jordan Braaten) 7. Following along to their sheet music, sophomores Ryan Ellingson, Samantha Torvik, and Alan Repak play the trombone during the fall band concert. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)

What instrument do they play?

Can you find the matches?



Who Knows Caitlin Leick Better...



Caitlin Leick



Director Adam Pankow



Solveig Swanson

Favorite costume worn:	"Cats"	"Cats"	"Cats"
Vocal Range:	Alto	Soprano	Alto
Favorite play:	"Next to Normal"	"The Drowsy Chaperone"	"Chicago"
Favorite drama memory of year:	Getting the part she wanted in "Lucky Stiff"	Sharing the stage with her great friends Robbie [Jacobs] and Solveig [Swanson]	Dance rehearsals for "Cats"
Future job:	Musical theater or be in a touring company	Musical theater superstar	Musical theater or be an actress
Score:		2	3

FRENCH CLUB LEARNS ABOUT CULTURE

Members are provided with extra opportunities

Participating in the French Club gives students a chance to learn information that they wouldn't get in a regular classroom.

On the second Wednesday of every month, French Club meets to play games, eat French foods, and study French culture. It teaches more than just a foreign language. "It gives us up to the French culture," sophomore Rachel Anthony said. "While the club gives us up to the language."

To study the culture further, the club does activities that give them a real-life experience. Occasionally, the club members will go to a local French Café where they eat French foods. They also watch movies such as "Coco Chanel" while studying the French foods they can find at grocery stores.

More than watching movies and munching on French snacks, the members also learn about what life is like in Northwest Africa when English teacher Mary Sherman visited Senegal.

Sherman and her son visited the French-speaking country Senegal. Sherman has a lot in common with many of the club members. "In the past, I didn't really know anything about Senegal," she said.

She showed club members what life in Senegal looked like by presenting a slide show. "All French Club members enjoyed her visit," sophomore Isabella Soderquist said.

Sherman talked about clothing and showed us pictures of her visit," sophomore Isabella Soderquist said.

Club members didn't expect Sherman to dress for the occasion. "She even wore clothes that they wear," Soderquist said.

While speaking to the club dressed in traditional clothing, Sherman talked about her experience. "I learned that some houses (in Senegal) are very open," Soderquist said. "There's a lot of openness."

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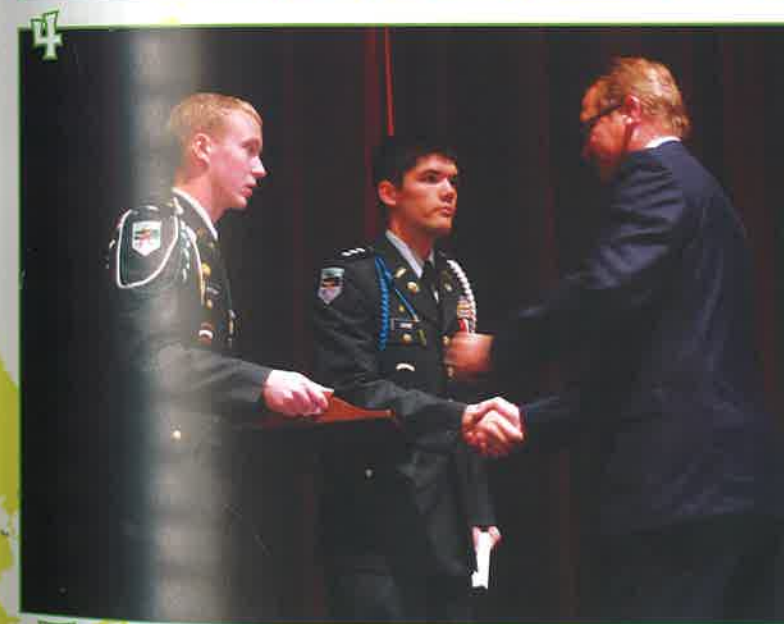
While the main focus of the club is culture, Sherman's visit to the classroom was also educational.

"It gives us a lot on the French speaking world and Africa," French teacher Suzanne Soderquist said. "It gave them a greater sense of French-African culture."

Emily Shaffer
Emily Shaffer

CLASSMATE COMPARISON

	Sophomore Nicole Olson	Senior Oscar DeLeon
Why did you join TSA?	Photography sounded fun and (Richard) Cwikla is a cool teacher.	(I am) interested in film
Favorite memory	At State everyone was really excited about going on the waterslide because it went outside and came back inside.	Taking my film to State
Trip essential	Cameras and computers	A camcorder and my sense of humor



1. MAKING SOME LAST MINUTE PREPARATIONS for TSA State, senior Tanner Logan puts together his portfolio. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 2. ON A TRIP TO THE PLAIN'S ART MUSEUM, with Art Club junior Fritum Luzha examines one of the pottery plates that the guest speaker had made himself. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 3. DURING THE SPRING BAND CONCERT, sophomores Samantha Vigstol and Beth Berard play their trumpets during their opening song. (Photo by Jordi Braaten) 4. PRESENTING THE PURPLE HEART AWARD, Sheyenne Principal Greg Grooters shakes senior William Case's hand to congratulate him. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 5. WHILE AT THE EAST INVITE, sophomore McKenzie Schwarz prepares her speech for her Student Congress speech. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 6. DURING WORKDAY WEDNESDAY, senior Cristina Martinez helps sophomore Emily Shaffer with her pages. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)





1. ANALYZING HER MAP, senior Molly Gusaas concentrates on finding the right coordinates in Envirothon. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **2. PARTICIPATING IN A LEGO PROJECT**, junior Samantha Eidschink creates a LEGO structure for a DECA marketing exercise. (Photo by Jordi Braaten) **3. DISCUSSING HER NOTES** during a mock trial for Youth Leadership, junior Courtney Ellenson tries to decide whether the plaintiff is guilty or innocent. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **4. ATTEMPTING TO SWAY** her peers, junior Abbey Immer defends her stance in her speech at the East Student Congress meet at the Doublewood Inn in Fargo. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **5. DURING A COMMERCIAL BREAK**, trivia challenge advisors Aaron Knodel and Sean Bourke discuss a mistake in the scoring with KVLY host Charlie Johnson. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **6. OBSERVING OTHER'S ARTWORK**, senior Benjamin Dalbol smirks at the creative clay pieces in the Art Show put on in the library by Art Club. (Photo by Aren Cossette) **7. REVIEWING HER FLASHCARDS**, senior Caitlin Leick translates the French to English on the card for a French Club game. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **8. WORKING THE TABLE**, Student Council member senior Thane Hillig helps fundraise over \$11,000 during the Silent Auction to raise money for the district's Backpack Program. (Photo by Alexis Tschosik)

Top Five Ways to Study Outside of School

70 students polled

1. Reviewing notes -20

3. By yourself-11

5. Study guides-7

2. Group work-15

4. Flash cards-11



Sports



1. **RUNNING DOWN THE FIELD DURING A PUNT**, senior Ryan Hansen changes direction when he sees the loose ball. (Photo by Victoria Hackett) 2. **WITH ENTHUSIASM**, sophomore Amber Cox does a cheer routine for her classmates during the winter pep rally. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) 3. **WRESTLING IN THE STATE DUAL CHAMPIONSHIP**, sophomore Jordan Johnston squares up against his 119 pound Bismarck High opponent. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) 4. **GLIDING OVER THE BAR**, sophomore Bradyn Bohnenstingl propels through the air during the polevaulting event of the track meet held at West Fargo High School. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)



FINISH LINE, at the State Meet on Oct. 24th, junior Britny Bucholz pushes her hardest to speed ahead of her Fargo South opponent to get her best time possible. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **2. GAINING A STRONG LEAD**, sophomore Erich Hahn pushes ahead of his opponent to gain a lead on Aug. 27th at Johnson Park. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **3. LENDING A FRIENDLY SHOULDER**, seniors Ryan Binde and Scott Salter help senior Spencer Uetz back to the West Fargo tent after Uetz passed out during the State Meet. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **4. HELPING A FRIEND**, seniors Ryan Binde and Scott Salter help senior Spencer Uetz back to the West Fargo tent after Uetz passed out during the State Meet. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **5. GAINING AN ADVANTAGE**, junior Nathaniel Peterson sprints towards the finish line, during the State Meet on Oct. 24th. Peterson was the top male finisher from West Fargo. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **6. PACING THEMSELVES**, senior Ellie Grooters and freshman Brooke Grooters pace themselves. (Photo by Devon Cavic)

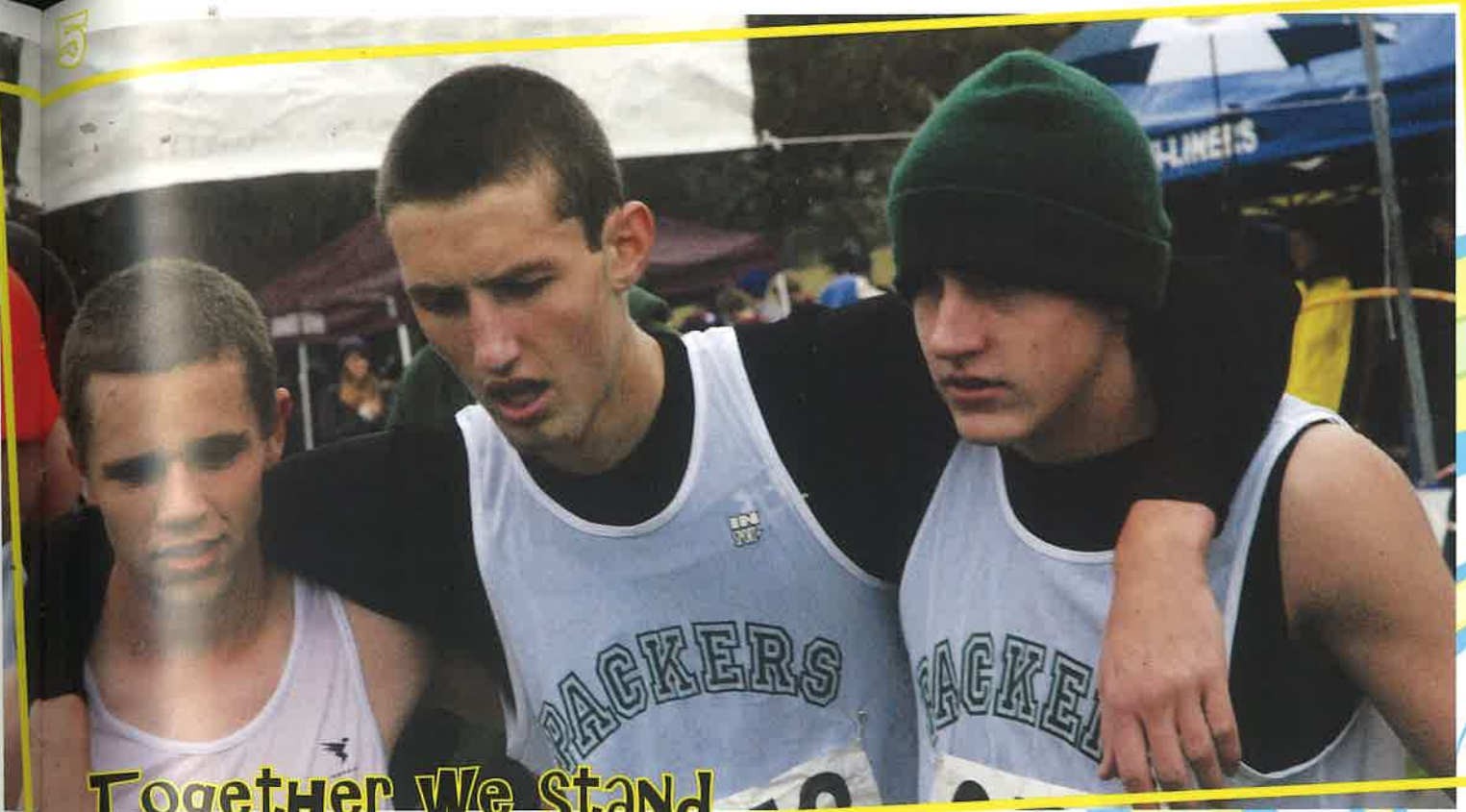
Boy's Mileage									305.61 miles
Warm-Up Days =63	6 Mile Practice x 6 Days =36	5 Mile Practice x 12 Days =60	4 Mile Practice x 11 Days =44	3 Mile Practice x 5 Days =15	5 km (3.1 miles) Practice x 17 Days =52.82	4 km (2.49 miles) Practice x 2 Days =4.97	5 km (3.1 miles) Meet x 9 Days =27.96	3 km (1.86 miles) Meet x 1 Day =1.86	(Same distance from West Fargo to Moorhead)
Girl's Mileage									254.21 miles
Warm-Up Days =65	5 Mile Practice x 6 Days =30	4 Mile Practice x 12 Days =48	3 Mile Practice x 11 Days =33	2 Mile Practice x 5 Days =10	4 km (2.49 miles) Practice x 17 Days =42.25	3 km (1.86 miles) Practice x 2 Days =3.73	4 km (2.49 miles) Meet x 9 Days =22.37	3 km (1.86 miles) Meet x 1 Day =1.86	(Same distance from West Fargo to Minneapolis)

Why Because...

"...the feeling you get after you know you have had a great race and finished with a great time."
-junior Britny Bucholz

"It makes me tough."
-sophomore Taylor Perry

"...it's fun running with other friends. They motivate me to run."
-sophomore Erich Hahn



Together We Stand, together We Fall

Boys XC Team Shocked At State

Senior year state is the last chance for an athlete to prove themselves. When the outcomes are unexpected it can either be mind-blowing or devastating. In the case of the boys cross country team state was a shocking and unforeseen end to the season.

Senior Jamison Gehrig did not start off the day in the best of health but still believed that he could work past it.

"My attitude before the race was that of a competitor, like any other race," Gehrig said. "I just had to make myself stay confident and not let the whole idea of me being sick get to me mentally."

For the first mile things seemed to be going well, however the race took a downward turn for Gehrig.

"It's hard for me to remember most of the race," Gehrig said. "All I remember from the two mile mark is that I told Spencer [Uetz] I can't see anything, because I kept seeing black tunnels and I told him, 'I don't know what's wrong but if anything happens to me I want you to run for the both of us.' Immediately after that all I remember is me slowly collapsing."

Uetz made it farther than Gehrig but collapsed 100 yards before finishing the race. Uetz was disappointed with the outcome of race to the point that he chooses not to talk about it.

Many people at the race could not believe what happened.

Sophomore Alissa Mears said the girl's team realized the two had dropped out when Gehrig and Uetz were not at the finish line.

"Some of us were in tears," Mears said. "We thought if it could happen to them it could happen to any of us."

Although Uetz passed out, he still managed to cross the finish line with help from the coaches. Gehrig decided to return to Valley City the weekend after to finish on his own terms. The two were expected to be the top finishers for West Fargo, but with the turn of events junior Nathaniel Peterson was first to finish.

"I know Spencer and Jamison could have ran a bad race and still beat me," Peterson said. "They worked hard all season to get the first team All-State, but didn't get it."

Even though the team did not finish in a way they had hoped, they tried to make the best of things.

"This was a tough season, but we learned a lot from it."





Favorite Soccer Memory



“... I stopped the PK (penalty kick) to win the consolation game.”



“...Mother Moe.”

FROM THE CORNER, center midfielder senior Daniel Hoy kicks the ball into his waiting teammates at the West Fargo Invitational tournament at the Scheels Complex in West Fargo. (Photo by [unclear])
 2. SLIDING TO STOP THE BALL, junior Braden Schmid makes the save during the Minot game. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer)
 3. HEADING THE BALL PAST A RED RIVER player, junior Nicholas Larson loves toward making a goal. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer)
 4. TAKING ONE FOR THE TEAM, junior Joshua Hanson is violently shoved by a Minot player, resulting in a yellow card for the Minot Magicians. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer)
 5. SHOOTING ON GOAL, senior Ahmed Lafta gets passed defense when West Fargo hosted Red River match. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer)
 6. USING HIS HEAD, junior Dhurim Mani blocks Shanley opponent's kick during the game they tied with the Deacon's 1-1. (Photo by Brooke Yochim)
 7. JUMPING HIGH, junior Austin Dillard head to ball contact to win possession from the Minot Magicians. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer)



The striking of a ball in the air by a player's forehead; the most common type of header.

Front Header



Throw In



A type of restart where a player throws the ball from behind his head with two hands while standing with both feet on the ground behind a sideline.

The act of a goalkeeper in blocking or stopping a shot that would have gone into the goal without his intervention.

Goalie Save



THE FANS IN THE STANDS

Students increase game energy

The West Fargo boys soccer team runs onto the field to warm up, students and parents pile into the stands, the student section is on its feet, cheering as loud as they can. The team feels the energy and plays up to the hype. The game finishes with a Packer victory.

After winning a few games, the boy's soccer team gained confidence throughout the season. The team proved to be a powerful force in the EDC.

As the team won, the support grew from the fans and all the players felt it.

“The support was pretty good,” junior Braden Schmid said. “It is nice to have lots of people there cheering for you.”

Having fans in the stands motivate every team and athletes in all other sports. This is no different in soccer.

“The fans always help,” Schmid said. “They get you pumped up and in the game.”

Going into state as the third seed the team was looking good. The fans and parents were on their feet making sure the boys

they lost in a shootout. The Packers won the rest of their games to finish the state tournament with a fifth place trophy.

“We out played every team we played,” junior Joshua Hanson said. “It went well.”

The team was energetic and the fans backed them all the way.

“Hearing them scream and cheer you and the team on motivates you,” junior Austin Dillard said.

The student body could tell the support of the crowd grew during the year. Junior Kaylee Lothspeich was one of the students that attended the games.

“They were winning and the crowd motivated them,” Lothspeich said. “They were having more fun playing and we were having more fun watching.”

The season ended with the boy's soccer team looking forward to a bright future for the up-and-coming team.

Girls Serve Up Success

Bumping away the worries

The first match of the year begins, the crowd roars with excitement while the team listens to a new voice cheering above and encouraging them.

Season hit off with an unusual twist when volleyball head coach Pierson had surgery and was unable to coach the first half of the season. During this time, junior varsity coach Mackenzie Odden stepped up for the team. The girls, who have had Pierson as their coach throughout their years playing on varsity, had a hard time adjusting to the new atmosphere.

Senior Courtney Voeller has been playing for Pierson on varsity since her sophomore year.

"It was different because she motivated us in different ways and it was weird not having her there," Voeller said.

With coach Pierson unable to be there for the team, the girls ran into the obstacle of having a different coach step in.

"It was a little difficult to adjust to a new coaching style, but I think she did a good job with it," senior Jenna Green said.

Odden agrees with Green that the approach varies between her and Pierson.

"Each Pierson and I definitely have a different style," Odden said. "However, we blend well together."

Although Pierson is more of an aggressive motivator for the team, Odden says that when Pierson was on the sidelines, the girls and Odden adjusted nicely.

"I think the intensity in the gym wasn't as great as it could have been said. "But I don't think having a different coach affected the team as much as we thought it would."

Odden thought having a different coach was good for the team because it allowed them to expand their horizons. The girls would explain to Odden what tactics usually would go so she could form the practices to fit what the girls had told her.

"We've got to know us and found out our strengths and weaknesses and what we did anything she could to help us," junior Jill Gustafson said.

In order to prevail over the difficulties associated with having a new coach, the girls had to put plenty of time and effort onto the court.

"We did our best to adjust and worked harder to become better players than we were, but we just played the game we know how to play," junior Kaitlin Becher said.

Katie Birrenkott
Katie Birrenkott

1. SLAMMING DOWN A HIT against Grand Forks Red River senior Courtney Voeller attempts to score a point for her team during the Sept. 24th game. (Photo by Victoria Hackett) **2. FOCUSING ON THE BALL,** junior Katelyn Holland retrieves a hit from the Bruins with senior Jenna Green, covering her for back up at the Fargo South game on Oct. 6th. (Photo by Devon Cavie) **3. DIGGING FOR THE BALL,** junior Jill Gustafson gets low to save the ball from going out of bounds in the game against Grand Forks Red River on Sept. 24th. (Photo by Victoria Hackett) **4. AFTER A CRUCIAL POINT** in the game, varsity volleyball girls come together and celebrate to keep each other motivated on Nov. 5th against South. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) **5. QUICKLY GOING IN** towards the net, senior Jenna Green swiftly tips the ball over in an attempt to score during a crucial EDC match on Nov. 12th. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)



WHO KNOWS KRISTIN KAUTZ BETTER...



KRISTIN KAUTZ



PAULA PIERSON

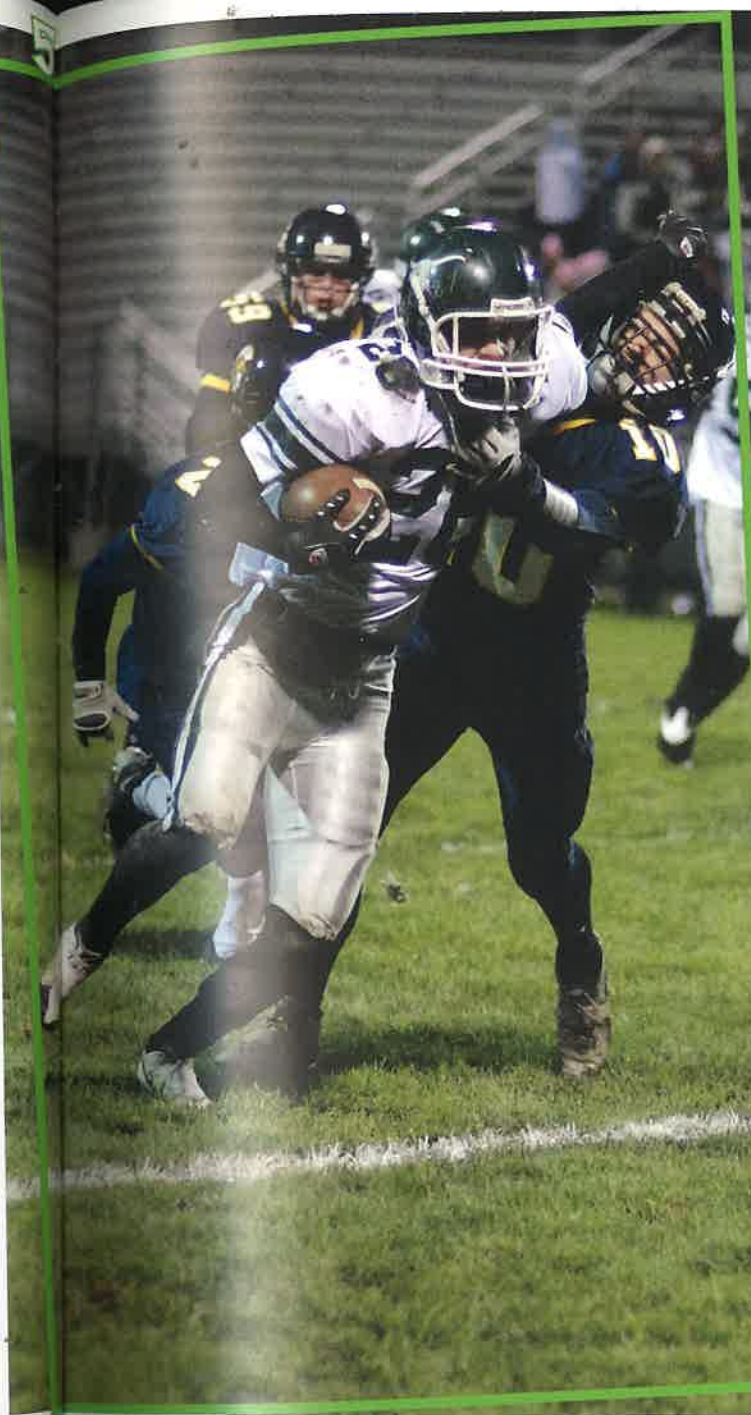


JILL GUSTAFSON

Favorite color:	Yellow	Packer green	Purple
Benches:	80 pounds	105 lbs	A Lot
Favorite movie:	The Notebook	The Notebook or Billy Madison	She's the Man
Favorite memory of the season:	The bus rides and cheers	Beating South on their home floor	Getting the coach's choice award
Future job:	Be in the medical field	Something in the medical field	Something in the medical field
Score:	1	2	1

6. GETTING FIRED UP before a game, the volleyball team links hands and comes together to do a final cheer to pump up. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) **7. COUNTING THE KIDS** for the upcoming activity junior Danielle Nelson takes charge during West Fargo Volley Buds on Oct. 8th. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) **8. FORCED TO BUMP SET** to set up senior Jenna Green, sophomore Allison Barta tries to save the play in the game against Moorhead on Sept. 3rd. (Photo by Devon Cavie)





STRUGGLE to SURVIVE

Boys strive to achieve their goals

Summer mornings for the West Fargo football players consisted of getting up early and heading to practice at 8 a.m. Practice included various drills, making the Packers work to justify a spot on the team.

The hot summer days did not hinder the team's performance. They were setting their season expectations high. Junior wide receiver Zachary Neer was satisfied with how practice was going.

"I felt very confident with the way the team was running," Neer said.

The first game was against Mandan on Aug. 28th. However in the game an unexpected turn ended up with a loss for the team.

"We were not expecting a loss right away in the season," Neer said.

The following game against Bismarck Century also ended in defeat.

Senior quarterback Bryce Jorgenson was upset over the two losses and was ready to work hard to get a win. With two losses after the first two games, the season was not looking bright for the Packers.

"People were expecting to see a lot better performance out of us," Jorgenson said. "We had to make it happen."

The boys were not willing to throw away their season after starting 0-2. Senior linebacker Tyler Lehmann was not going to let the season end in defeat.

"We weren't satisfied with our first two game losses, so we were determined to turn

things around," Lehmann said. After the second loss, the team examined what they had been doing and had long discussions about what they could do better.

"The captains of the team took charge, and really picked the team up," Neer said.

After their first couple losses, the Packers really came together as a team. With only one more loss during their regular season, the Packers rode a four game winning streak into the state playoffs.

They won their quarterfinal playoff game by scoring in the last six seconds, sending the No. 2-ranked Minot Magicians packing, 31-27.

"My favorite moment would easily be the quarterfinal game against Minot when we pulled off the win in the last moments of the game," Lehmann said.

During the semifinal game, the boys couldn't carry the momentum against Bismarck High. They remained with them until the second half. Then Bismarck took over, ending the Packers season with a tough loss, 42-14.

"It was really disappointing, but really exciting to get that far in the season as we did," Jorgenson said. "We were definitely not going to let our rough start hinder our season."

Nicole Eisenzimmer
Nicole Eisenzimmer

My Pregame Ritual IS...



"...I eat Subway before every game."

"...I listen to heavy metal on my iPod."

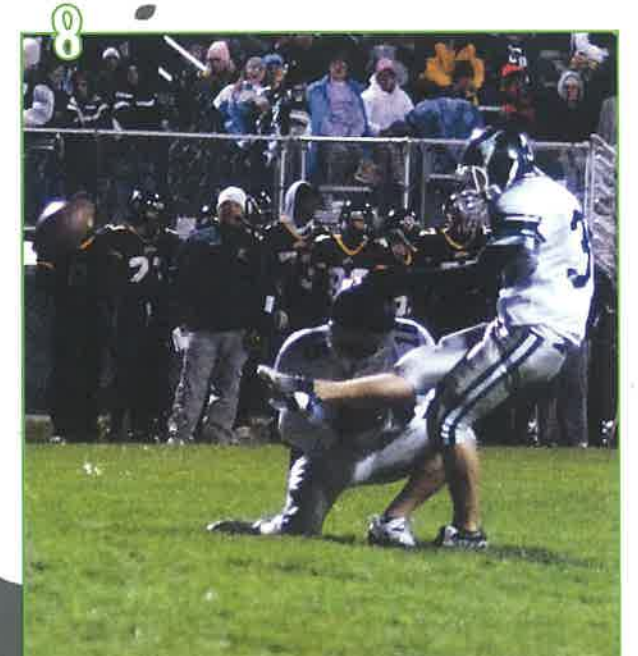
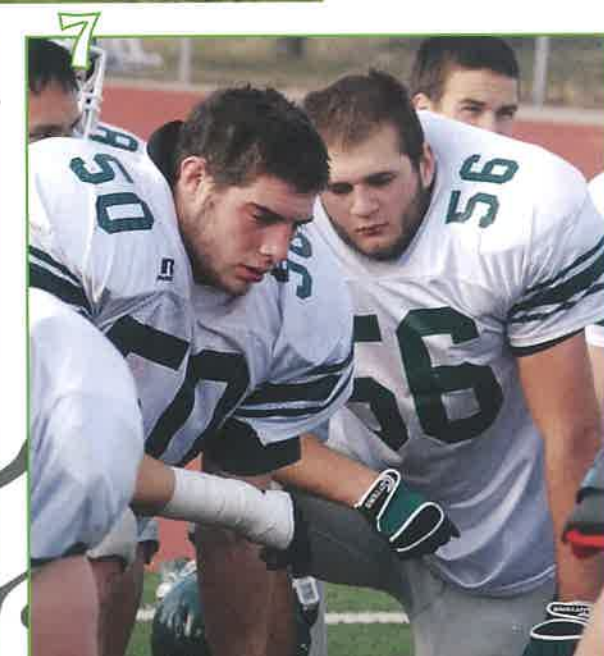
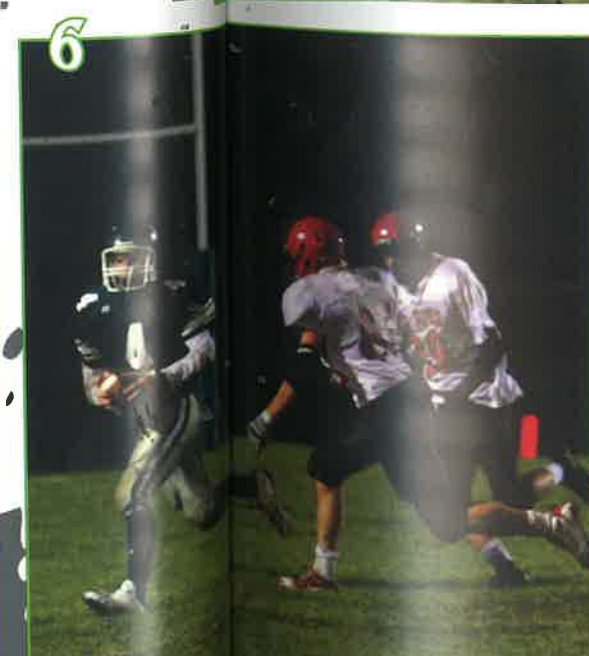


Forest Fretheim



Jacob Herpman

"...I go to Jon Pistorius' house and play Madden."



1. Getting fired up before the game against Fargo South, senior Mason Herman runs through the tunnel of players during starting line-ups. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 2. Single handedly scoring his third touchdown of the game, senior Bryce Jorgenson stumbles into the end zone while avoiding a tackle from a Dickinson player. The game ended with a Packer win, 28-3. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 3. Dodging a tackle, senior Jacob Kiefer looks out for a Minot player during the Homecoming game on Sept. 18th. (Photo by Victoria Hackett) 4. After catching an outstanding pass, junior Zach Neer races around the Bismarck defender to gain yards during the semi-final game against Bismarck High on Nov. 7th. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 5. During a game against Fargo North, senior Jacob Kiefer pushes his way past an opponent in the attempt to gain extra yards. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 6. Dashing to make a pass, senior Bryce Jorgenson attempts to avoid a tackle by a Red River player. (Photo by Victoria Hackett) 7. After a tough loss in the semi-final game against Bismarck High, seniors Scott Schiller and Jonathan Morken remorse on Nov. 7th. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 8. After

SWIMMERS Spice THINGS UP

Stepping out of the box

Students walk into school expecting to see the same old routines, kids milling around in the hallway talking with friends or quickly finishing some last minute homework. As they walk into the school however, they look closer and find some girls that stick out from the rest. They have crazy hair and are wearing neon colors, crazy tights and jewelry, and tutus. Instead of the average school apparel, the girls swim team really gets noticed. "We have a lot of confidence and we want to have fun and make good memories. We want to stand out as a team," senior Ashley Kranda said. "Plus it also brings more excitement to our sport."

The girls work to make their team stand out in people's minds so they can become a prominent sport in the community.

Swimming isn't a sport that is highly watched, like football or basketball, so we dress up to get attention to the sport," senior Jillian Bechtold said.

Being noticed isn't the only goal. The girls also work to form strong connections. The team's traditions are too plain for this team; they need something more wild and crazy. "The only thing I've ever known our team to do," junior Hannah James said. "When we are around it's expected that we have crazy days, and being normal gets boring." To keep their morale up the girls not only dress crazy, but also kidnap the younger girls before the start of EDC week.

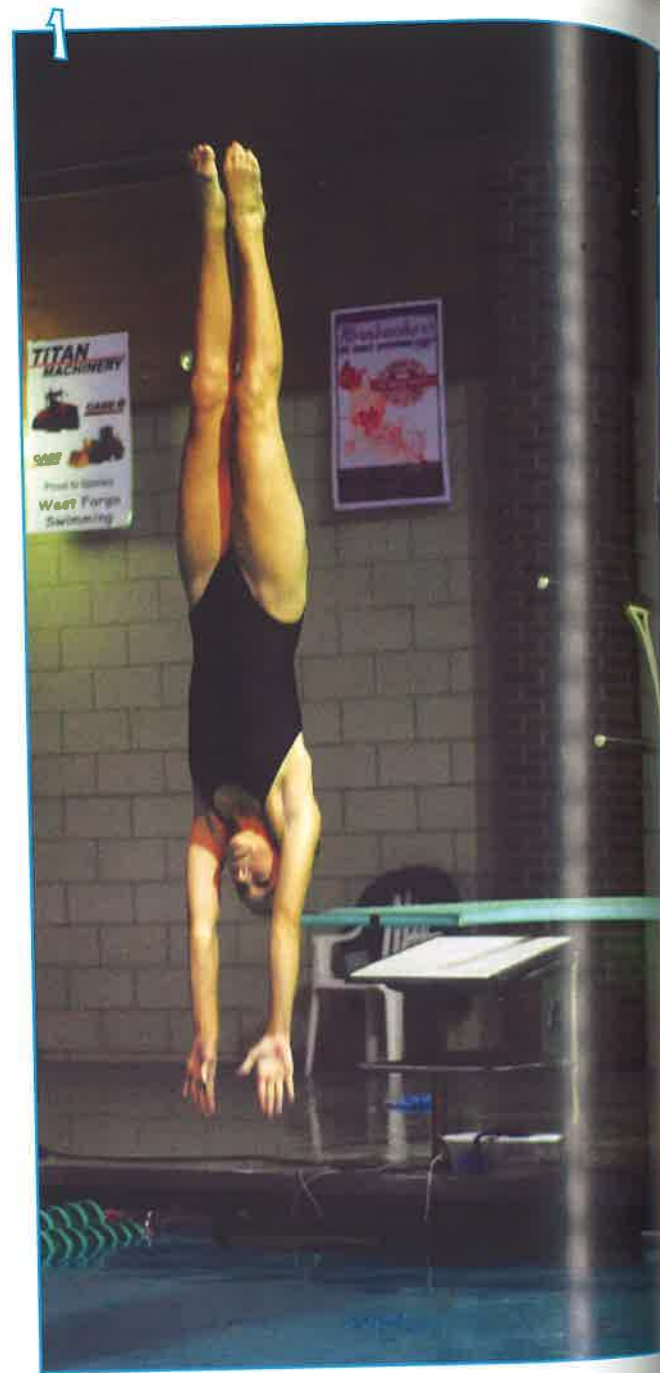
Fun and safe things like kidnapping and toilet papering because we love having fun, but we don't want anyone getting hurt," Kranda said. "The parents and coaches know that, so we are as safe as a lot."

The surface swimming looks like a bunch of fun and games, but by diving into the water the intricate components that make up the team reveals so much more. "My best friend is my best friend, I can tell them anything," senior Chelsea Gentzkow said. "The crazy days make me laugh, and we have so much fun. To me, this isn't a team, it's a family."

Kranda feels that the team's goals and dreams are able to be reached because they work hard and build strong connections.

Nothing is ever thought of as impossible or out of the question," Kranda said. "Staying positive and working hard so everyone can be successful keeps the team close. We will take you for who you are, crazy or not," Bechtold said. "We have a lot of fun and it will be one thing I will miss the most."

Cristina Martinez
Cristina Martinez



How to Apply a SWIMCAP



1 Straight as a board, senior Madison Anderson dives headfirst into the water. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **2** Wearing a tutu to get pumped up for Swimming EDC, senior Chelsea Gentzkow concentrates on her homework. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **3** West Fargo girls quickly leap into the water to get a head start against their opponent Moorhead on Sept. 17th. (Photo by Zach Neer) **4** Taking a breath, sophomore Rachel Kranda pushes herself towards the end during the backstroke. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **5** Flying to the

1. HAND SHAKE during an EDC match on Sept. 25th, junior Benjamin and younger brother eighth grader Brady Ballweber congratulate on getting a point. (Photo by Devon Cavic)

2. RUNNING QUICKLY, junior makes an attempt to make a short pass over the net against Fargo on Sept. 15th. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

3. JUMPING FOR THE RETURN, junior Ballweber keeps his eyes on the ball during his dual match against on Sept. 17th. (Photo by Devon Cavic)

4. OUTSIDE THE LINES, senior Brett goes out for a hit that flies outside of the court during the tennis on Sept. 17th. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

5. RETURNING THE SERVE, freshmen lines up the swing at the ball to attempt to score a point against on Huskies on Sept. 17th. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

6. REACHING FOR, junior Ben Ballweber strides to hit the ball back at his opponent South on September 15th. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

7. AFTER A HARD, teammates sophomore Jordan Degerness and junior Kevin Roberts excitement. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)



TEAM CONTINUES TO REBUILD

Young players stepping up

Nothing can stop the West Fargo boy's tennis team, not even a poor year. With three wins and 11 losses, it didn't stop them from finishing the season strong. "It wasn't as good as most," junior Kevin Roberts said. "We had a young team and did really good against most years." Younger players from last year have to feel comfortable with stepping up to play with the older teammates for future years. "I'm going to expect them to step up more because we will need them to," Kyle Roberts said. "With younger teammates having to step up, graduating seniors need to feel comfortable with the team when stepping away. I feel comfortable leaving the team in the hands of the younger teammates because I know they will do great next year," senior Brett Garske said.

The team may have had only a few older players, but they worked hard to get the wins. "Everyone played their best," Kevin said. "The younger players pulled through and played great this year." With younger players on the team, next year's seniors hope to go to State. Garske wasn't disappointed about not going to State this year. "Knowing the team didn't go as a whole this year has not disappointed me because this year was rebuilding year after losing most of our varsity last year," Garske said. Rebuilding the team and working to improve involves every player taking responsibilities to help improve the team's struggles. "The way that the team worked well together was great and everybody took their roles in leading the team well," Kyle said. There is new hope for the next season, even from graduating seniors.

TENNIS TELEPATHY

Kyle's GUESSES	KEVIN'S ANSWERS
Head	What is your favorite tennis racket brand?
Red River	Where is your favorite court?
Nike	What is your favorite tennis shoe brand?
Red River	Who is your hardest opponent (team)?
Making a fool of himself	What is your biggest fear?
	Losing my family



GIRLS Keep Up With expectations

Small teams work their talent

Each golfer knows that every stroke she makes counts in her team's final score. The pressure mounts from the crowd's judging eyes and her team depending on her every shot as the rounds continue. As senior Samantha Pyle lines up her putt during the first round at State, she nervously wonders about the day's outcome and how the weather will control the second round.

State is usually two days, but the second day was rained out this season, which resulted in inflated scores.

"It had been raining for a week and when we got to Wahpeton the course looked like a lake," Pyle said. "We golfed the first day and it was raining so they canceled the second day."

State was a different experience for the Packers because of the weather. With higher scores, the seniors ended their high school golf career with good feelings.

"The scores were higher because of the rain and course conditions," Pyle said. "It wasn't a great way to end my senior year of golf."

The Packers have a strong potential to overcome future, unforeseen obstacles in upcoming years with eighth grader Ashley Bixby and freshman Alexis Lennon being top golfers on the varsity team.

The year consisted of many unusual circumstances that the team had to deal with. Lennon was sick during the EDC tournament and the team thought they wouldn't make it to State.

"It was hard because we almost always use her score, but luckily we still made it to State where we had our whole team together," senior Mara Johnson believes.

Johnson thinks the season went well and that the underclassmen can keep the golf team at the height of their potential for the next season. Despite unusual circumstances, the Packers survived the season with high hopes for the future.

Jordi Braaten

Jordi Braaten



Wierd places I have lost my golf ball...



MARA JOHNSON

...time I forgot it in a hole and when I went to the next tee I couldn't find it."



CHELSEY BUTTH

"...We hear a 'clink' and see one of these black plastic coverings for a newly grown tree. So we go walking up towards it and see that my ball is in the inside between the tree and plastic covering."



COURTNEY SAVAGE

"In a hole in the trunk of a tree."

1. **UP ON THE GREEN** sophomore Lauren Johnson prepares to putt at Rose Creek. (Photo by Katie Birkenkott) 2. **PREPARING FOR THE GOLF TOURNAMENT** senior Mara Johnson chats with a competitor from a different school. (Photo by Johanna Ericsson) 3. **AT ROSECREEK GOLF COURSE**, freshman Alexis Lennon prepares to tee off. (Photo by Katie Birkenkott) 4. **ON THE GREEN AT ROSE CREEK**, junior Chelsey Butth putts her way to the hole. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 5. **SWINGING THE CLUB**, freshman Alexis Lennon hopes for the best as she watches the golf ball fly. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 6. **MAKING HER WAY TO THE HOLE**, senior Mara Johnson crouches down hoping the ball will go in the hole. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 7. **MAKING HER WAY TO THE HOLE**, sophomore Lauren Johnson pulls her golf bag. (Photo by Johanna Ericsson) 8. **GETTING READY** senior Samantha Pyle lines up her drive at Rose Creek. (Photo by Katie Birkenkott)



Practice pays off

West Fargo beats Red River

The fans are screaming at their lungs, the Packer skaters are celebrating their historic win. Meanwhile, the Red River players are plastered across his face, and the crowd is cheering.

Senior Cameron Holland waits the buzzer to ring, ending the game along with Red River's long reign of state.

Hard work over the past years has paid off," Holland said.

Red River's varsity hockey team has made it to state for 46 straight years. Their streak ended at the Eastern Conference tournament where the West Fargo boy's hockey team beat them.

At the game, we knew it was going to be a close one so the atmosphere was electric," senior Dustin Jonasson said.

The boys were excited to be going to state and even more excited about the opportunity to be accomplished to get there.

Conor Jonasson, Dustin's brother, was in the EDC tournament and watched his team beat Red River for the first time because of a loss to Grand Forks.

It's so awesome to be the team

to knock Red River out (of state) for the first time and make history, especially since they were the team to beat us out last year," Conor Jonasson said.

Going into the game against Red River, the boys knew that it was all or nothing and they had to give it their all if they wanted to win.

"We knew we needed to play a hard working game and we knew what we needed to do and that we needed to prove ourselves," Dustin Jonasson said.

The boys worked hard through practice and it showed in the game. They walked into the locker room and knew their hard work had paid off.

"There was so much excitement and everybody was happy and relieved that we were going to state," Dustin Jonasson said.

The boy's hockey team lost to their first game at state to Bismarck and ended up placing fifth.

Jordi Braaten
Jordi Braaten



1. After their big win, the team celebrates with a big hug for beating Grand Forks Red River for the first time, and qualifying for state. (Photo by Erika Holmes) 2. In the consolation semifinals, senior Derek Sand does his best to keep the puck away from a Fargo South player. (Photo by Erika Holmes) 3. Junior Cameron Holland watches the puck with determination during the game against Grafton. (Photo by Erika Holmes) 4. Facing off, senior Dustin Jonasson fights for control of the puck against Fargo North at the Veterans Memorial Arena. (Photo by Nicole Elsenhammer) 5. At state hockey, junior Dustin Munyer skates towards the puck. (Photo by Erika Holmes) 6. While playing Grafton, seniors Nathan Borchardt and Kyle Shoman watch for the puck on the face off. (Photo by Erika Holmes) 7. Guarding his opponent, junior Jacob Ferguson makes sure the player from Grand Forks Red River does not get past him. (Photo by Erika Holmes)

Equipment:		Equipment:		Equipment:		Equipment:	
Bauer One 95 sticks (on average 2)	Vapor 40's Skates	Bauer helmet	Bauer gloves	Vapor 40's shoulder pads	Mouth Guard	Tape	Estimated total cost:
Cost:							



1. GIRLS HOCKEY TEAM FORMS A HUDDLE to get fired up for their first game against Williston at the state tournament in Fargo Feb. 25th. (Photo by Brooke Yochim) **2. LOOKING TO THE NET**, junior Katelyn Peterson attempts to make a shot on the Williston goaltender. (Photo by Brooke Yochim) **3. FIGHTING FOR THE PUCK**, junior Courtney Ellenson battles for the puck with a Fargo North opponent, junior Courtney Ellenson battles for the puck with a Fargo North opponent, junior Courtney Ellenson battles for the puck with a Fargo North opponent. (Photo by Brooke Yochim) **4. GETTING READY TO COVER THE PUCK**, freshman Katelyn Peterson battles for the puck with a Fargo North opponent, junior Courtney Ellenson battles for the puck with a Fargo North opponent, junior Courtney Ellenson battles for the puck with a Fargo North opponent. (Photo by Brooke Yochim) **5. SKATING TO THE NET**, senior Kelsey Kloos looks on during a game at the Plains Center. (Photo by Victoria Hackett) **6. MAKING SURE THE GOALIES IN THE NET** against the Williston goaltender, junior Kacie Johnson scores a goal during the girls first game at state in Fargo. (Photo by Brooke Yochim)



For My pre-game ritual I...



"... go eat at Jimmy Johns, then go back to my house, and then leave my house two hours before game time to go to the rink."



"...go get my skates sharpened at Hockey Zone, then make sure I have everything I need like my shower stuff, radio, and sweats. Then I go to the arena ready to kick some butt!"



Rivalry Reversed

Girls sweep Fargo North to take title

Before the West Fargo girls got to have their own team they used to co-op with Fargo North. Every since the split an intense rivalry started between the two teams. Fargo North has also successfully pulled through with the first two state championships when West Fargo had their own team. The Packers became fed up with Fargo North always beating them. Junior Briana Keller wanted to set out and prove they could beat the Spartans. "Our first year they beat us in the championship," Keller said. "It made us want to beat them even more." Luckily for the girls they got an early chance to take a stab at North this season. The season's second game was set to be on North's home ice Dec. 1st and the girls ended up winning 3-2. The girls were thrilled about the win. "Just knowing how cocky they are made this win even better," Keller said. Throughout the season the girls made it their goal to be in the state

The Packers and Spartans were poised for a face off for the state title. The second match up between the two teams in the history of girl's hockey. "Going into state finals was a huge relief because we were the team with nothing to lose," Melanie Sopp said. "North was the team who had to try to defend their title." In the first period of the finals game Fargo North scored. However, the Packers were not willing to give up. They had a long talk in the locker room. "Our talk in the locker room consisted of talking about not giving up, and reminding ourselves we can do anything we set our minds too," Sopp said. They came back out onto the ice and junior Kacie Johnson scored within the first 10 seconds of the second period. Junior Kaylee Lothspeich scored the second goal, and Johnson followed with another in the third period, making the final score 3-1. The girls captured the state title and swept Fargo North all in one

Packers Fight For Success

EDC win over Fargo North

Third time's the charm for the West Fargo boy's basketball team at the Eastern Dakota Conference tournament. Fargo North had beaten them twice during the season and it was time for the boys to take a win from them when it counted.

Going into the EDC tournament as the second seed behind North, the boys basketball team was confident. After beating Grand Forks Central and Red River, their confidence grew as they prepared to play top-seeded Fargo North.

"We had no pressure," senior Spencer Flaten said. "We were already going to state so we knew we just had to do our thing."

After losing to North twice during the season, the coaches went over strategy and how to beat North. They focused on what North did to get past them the first two times and made sure it wouldn't happen again.

"We only had a half hour to prepare," senior Austin Nelson said. "We played North twice and knew what they did and we knew what we had to do to stop their main offensive strategy."

Flaten led the team, with 13 points, 5 rebounds and 1 assist.

"He doesn't give up," junior Brady Schwartz said. "He kept us all together and kept pushing us and picked us up when we were down."

Flaten's push to keep everyone in the game is what the team needed when the game came down to overtime. West Fargo's Justin Shook made a basket with 1:38 left in the game to put the Packers in the

lead 60-59. With four seconds left, Chase Farkas got a steal and was fouled. He made his first free throw and missed the second to end the game, 61-59.

"Chase came out big on the defensive end and knocked down three key free throws to win," Flaten said.

The fans were going crazy and were excited to see the boys win it. The team came out ready for revenge and defeated North when it counted.

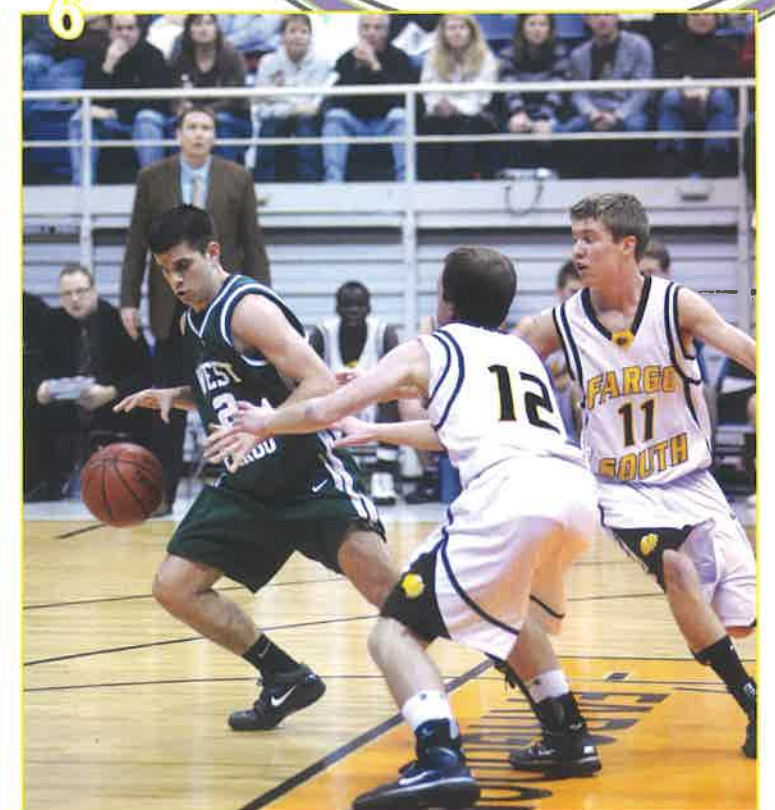
"We were all nervous," Nelson said. "We went into the game with a revenge-type attitude and we wanted to show other teams and fans that we can play with the No. 1 team."

Kelsey Daul
Kelsey Daul





Player	Shoe Size	Height
Brady Schwartz	10.5	5'10"
Justin Schock	15	6'8"
Michael Hawley	13	6'4"
Kory Wolden	10	5'9"

ing the team onto the court for the second half, senior Chris-Williams breaks through the supportive banner at the state event. (Photo by Kelsey Daul) 2. Fighting for the basket, senior Nelson goes up for a two point shot against Fargo North. (Photo by Kelsey Daul) 3. Hustling in for a lay up, senior Spencer Flaten goes up for a lay up against Bismark St. Mary's. (Photo by Kelsey Daul) 4. Wearing his game face, senior Flaten goes up for a lay up against Bismark St. Mary's. (Photo by Kelsey Daul) 5. Dominating the jump ball, junior Justin Shook makes the air to win the tip over Fargo North. (Photo by Kelsey Daul) 6. Putting pressure from the defense, junior Chase Farkas does a lay up to keep possession of the ball against Fargo South. (Photo by Kelsey Daul)





Teammate Comparison

	Can you palm a basketball?	What is your vertical?	Most memorable moment	Favorite college basketball team
 Sophomore Alissa Mears	No	19.5 inches	Becoming closer as a team, almost like sisters	Duke
 Junior Carissa Becher	Yes	20.3 inches	When [Barb] Metcalf had toothpaste on her pants	Duke

Packers Struggle For State Journey

Players keep efforts high, fall short of state tournament

Fighting their way back to state, the West Fargo girls' basketball team tries their hardest to beat teams in EDC.

After a previous year of being at state, we all felt we had to go sophomore Hayley Miller said.

Throughout the season, the players focused on a single goal.

We all were playing for one goal and that was to make it to junior Carissa Becher said.

The goal was not achieved and the end of the season showed notions of the team.

"It was disappointing," Miller said. "We all knew how much it wanted."

The start of the season was also rough for the team.

"The season started off kind of in a rough patch," junior Katelyn Miller said. "At the beginning we won some and lost some."

Small events like coming back from behind in a game can help the confidence of the team.

"We went into EDC determined," Miller said. "Even though we didn't make it to state."

The first game at EDC, West Fargo managed to stick close to Fargo Shanley but didn't get the win. They lost the game 49 to 56.

"It had been upsetting," Miller said. "We all knew that there was another chance."

After the loss to Shanley the girls played Grand Forks Central and win the game 57-50.

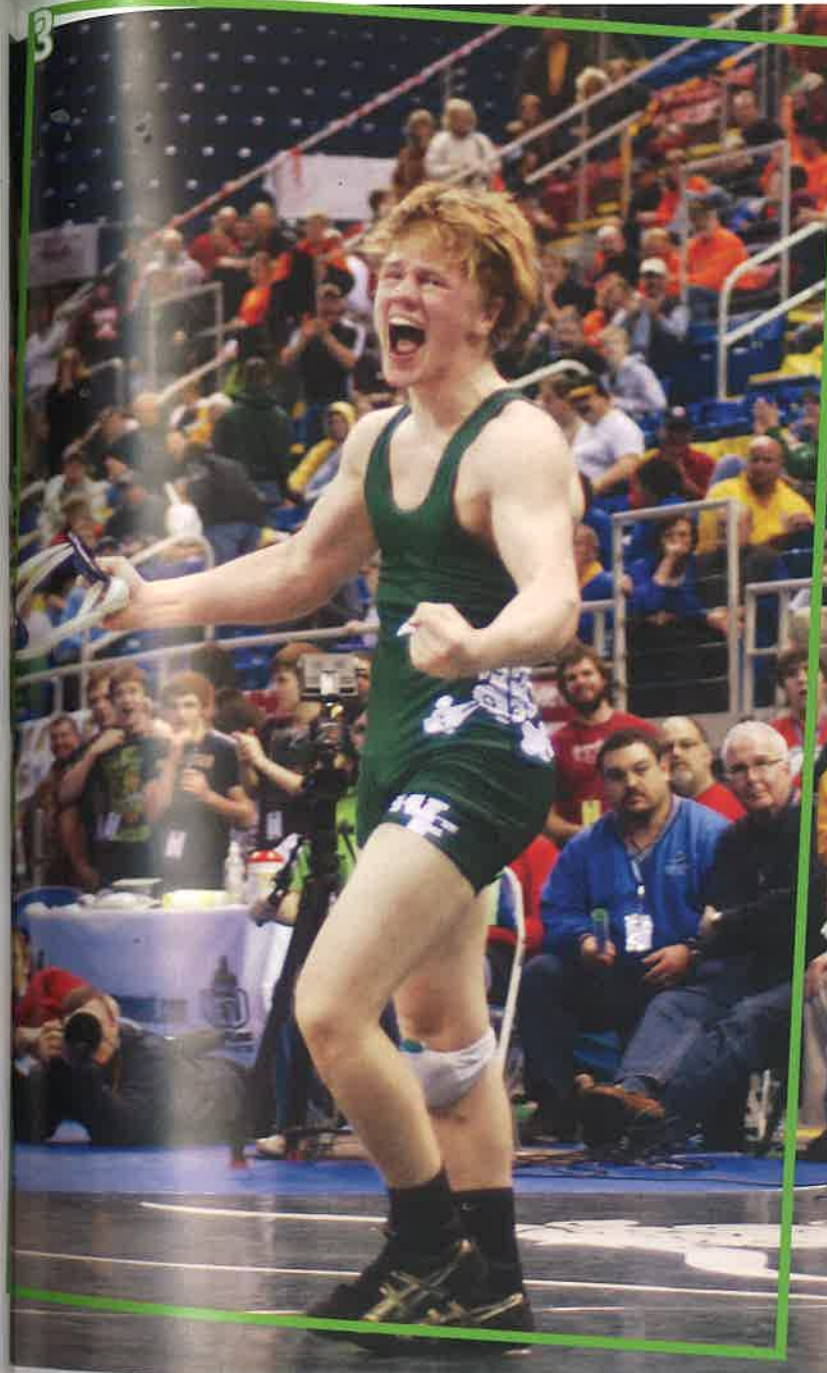
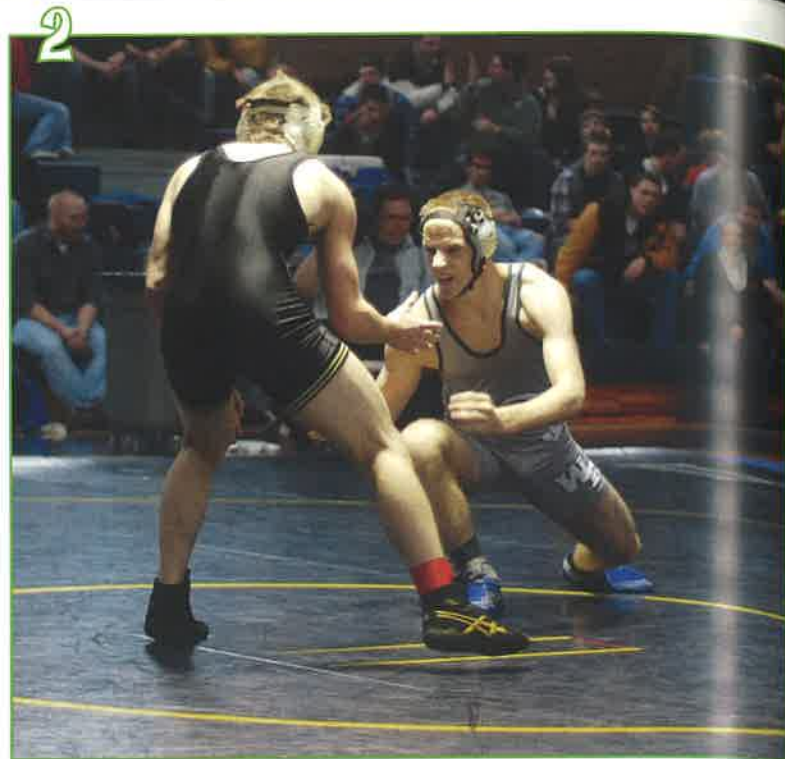
With the win against Central, the team played Red River for the state qualifying game. They lost 41-57 and lost the chance to go to state.

With the end of EDC and no state in the future for the girls, the determination for the girls increases for next season.

"Since we didn't make it to state this year it just gives us more of a desire to play the best we can next year and go to state," Becher said.



1. IN A STRUGGLE AGAINST BISMARCK CENTURY, juniors Katelyn Holland and Carissa Becher fight over possession of the ball. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 2. DURING AN INTENSE MOMENT in the game against Fargo Shanley, senior Courtney Voeller goes in for a lay up in an attempt to take the lead. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 3. LOOKING DOWN THE COURT, junior Jill Gustafson looks for an open teammate to pass to. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 4. IN ANTICIPATION FOR THE REBOUND, junior Carissa Becher attempts to box out her opponent. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 5. GOING IN FOR A LAY UP, sophomore Hayley Miller dribbles the basketball around one of Bismarck Century's defensive players. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)



CHANGING HISTORY

One match decides all in dual finals

After two full days of wrestling at the North Dakota State Tournament, the West Fargo wrestlers found themselves in the finals of the dual tournament against Bismarck High, facing Bismarck's record of 145 consecutive dual wins in 10 years.

Throughout the year there was talk of the season ending with West Fargo going up against the Demons.

"The guys did a great job of not getting caught up in the hype," head coach Kayle Dangerud said. "It showed great leadership by our captains and younger leaders."

The entire dual was back and forth between the teams until the 160-pound match, where freshman Preston Lehmann went up against Bismarck's sophomore Kip Jangula. The score was tied at 60-60 with only Lehmann's match left. The result would determine the state dual champions. Even with all the pressure of becoming state dual champions and ending Bismarck's streak landing on him, Lehmann was not nervous.

"I didn't feel any extra pressure," Lehmann said. "I just took it as another match."

Dangerud had complete confidence in Lehmann and his abilities.

"I am always confident when Preston wrestles, no matter who his opponent is," Dangerud said. "I think we all had a lot of confidence when Preston walked out on the mat."

Lehmann controlled Jangula

through the entire last match and finished off Jangula with a pin. After winning the match and the dual tournament, the team was ecstatic and Lehmann was speechless.

"It was an amazing feeling," Preston said. "Words couldn't describe how I felt after winning that match."

Senior captain Scott Schiller looked at the win as an achievement for a season of hard work and dedication.

"We had finally accomplished one of our main goals for not only our season, but the past decade," Schiller said. "It's great to feel the hard work we put into the season finally pay off."

Finishing off the year with a state dual tournament championship, six state individual finalists and four state champions was enough for coach Dangerud to think of the 2009-2010 team as the best team he has coached in his five years as varsity head coach. However, he is already looking ahead to next year.

"The team should be proud of their accomplishments," Dangerud said. "With that being said, it's already a new season. Every team's record is 0-0 so we need to get to work for next year."

Devon Cavic
Devon Cavic

WHICH OLDER BROTHER KNOWS BEST?



Preston LEHMANN

answers:



Tyler LEHMANN

guesses:



Michael LEHMANN

answers:

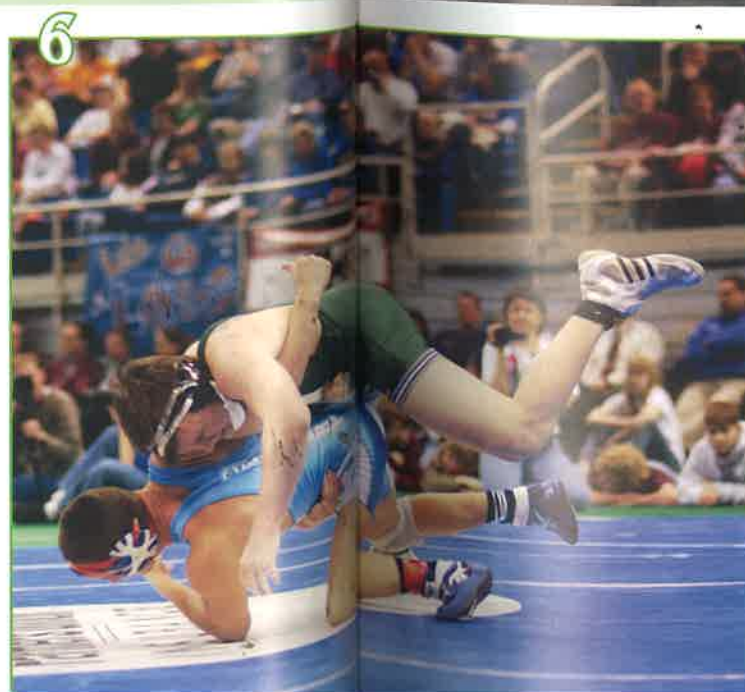
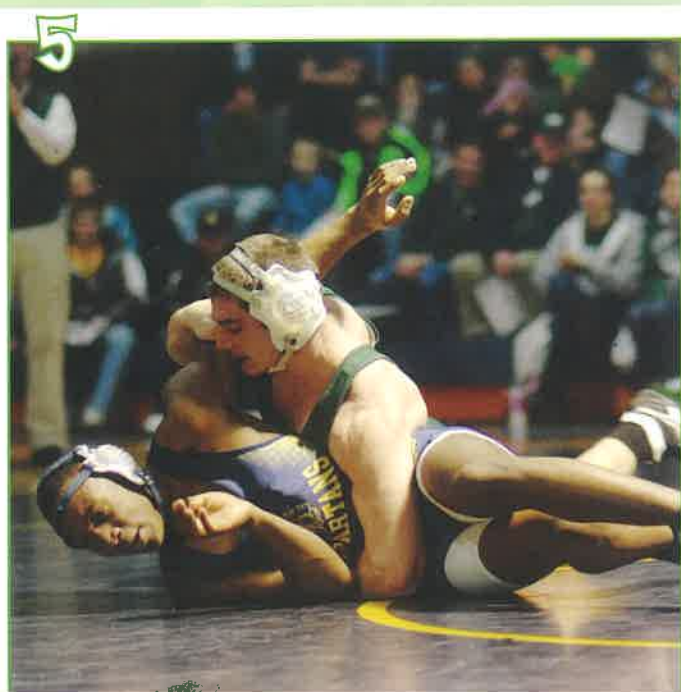


Eric LEHMANN

guesses:

Season Record:	37-5	42-5
Favorite Tournament:	Rumble on the Red	Bismarck Rotary
Favorite Wrestling Move:	"Twister"	"Twister"
Favorite Food:	Chicken	Pasta
Season Weight:	180	175
Number Correct:	-	1

Season Record:	17-19	19-22
Favorite Tournament:	EDC	EDC
Favorite Wrestling Move:	"Low Ankle"	"Cradle"
Favorite Food:	Homemade Ice Cream	Tacos
Season Weight:	150	150
Number Correct:	-	2



1. **STRUGGLING TO TURN HIS OPPONENT**, junior Thomas Kuehn throws in a cradle to work for the pin. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 2. **DURING THE DUAL AGAINST FARGO SOUTH**, junior Zach Neer does work going in for a single leg, leading to a two point takedown. (Photo by Kelsey Dauil) 3. **SCREAMING WITH EXCITEMENT**, freshman Preston Lehmann celebrates pinning his opponent resulting in a 36-30 win over Bismarck High, breaking Bismarck's 10-year dual championship streak. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 4. **AFTER BECOMING A THREE-TIME STATE CHAMP**, senior Tyler Lehmann uses his hands to indicate being a two-time state champion in Minnesota and one-time champion in North Dakota. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 5. **WORKING FOR THE PIN**, senior Scott Schiller concentrates on turning his opponent to his back. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 6. **FIGHTING FOR THE TAKEDOWN**, junior Eric Lehmann forces his opponent from Bismarck Century to the mat during the State finals. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 7. **JUMPING WITH EXCITEMENT** into Head Coach Kayle Dangerud's arms, seventh grader Jordan Shearer wins his state championship match, becoming the youngest state champion in West Fargo High School history. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

holds up a flyer with one of her feet
the base's hands. The flyer's other

Liberty



Scorpion



While in a Liberty, grab the toe of the bent leg and bring it up to almost behind head.

The right leg is straight and in the Toe Touch position; the left leg is bent, level with hip and pointing forward.

Right Hurdler



New Change For a New Year

Cheerleaders adjust to new coaching

Not knowing what to expect, the cheerleading teams had to adjust to the new ways of the year. This year both teams rely upon new coaches than previous years. The coaches of both squads, varsity coach Alyssa Dahl and junior varsity coach Cassie Voltzke, encountered their first year coaching cheerleading.

Before they became the coaches they were both high school cheerleaders. Having different coaches gave the cheerleaders a new taste with the way they went about cheering overall.

Senior Jennifer Haaland has cheered for the last four years. She believes having new coaches changed the outlook of the two teams.

"Varsity was more involved with the junior varsity team this year so we were more of one huge team," Haaland said. "It brought us all closer together than we have been in previous years."

four years, thinks the teams got the chance to experiment with new and advanced stunts with the new coaches.

"The way we cheered at school events remained how they were before," Hermanson said. "We learned new stunting techniques, which made the year different than usual."

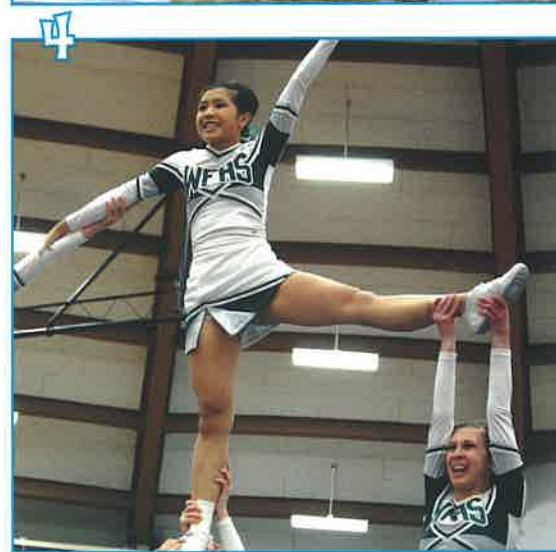
The teams showed improvements compared to previous years. The varsity placed fifth at state and junior varsity claimed a state championship.

Senior Beth Beyer, a varsity flyer, noticed a difference in the manner of the cheerleaders.

"The varsity team had more of a positive attitude," Beyer said. "The junior varsity team performed better overall in competitive events."


With new coaching methods, the cheerleaders had to learn how to manage and deal with the changes.

"The coaches let us try new and advanced stunts that we haven't done before," Hermanson said. "It made the year




My Worst Injury I've Had Was ...

Katelyn Oving sophomore



"...when I sprained my ankle while getting off a shoulder sit."

Sarah Beyer senior



"...when I cracked my collar bone and fractured my sternum."

1. DURING THE CHEERLEADING PERFORMANCE at the winter pep rally, seniors Kelsey Thoreson and Beth Beyer do a hitch to the side while senior Sarah Beyer in the center holding them up. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 2. AT THE WINTER pep rally, junior Chelsea Hermanson cheers along to the West Fargo High anthem. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 3. PEPPING UP THE SENIOR CLASS, senior cheerleaders chant "We Got Spirit" to the crowd during the fall pep rally. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 4. OVER SIX FEET IN THE AIR, sophomore Tuyen Huynh put all her trust into her teammates during the state competition. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 5. AT A FOOTBALL game versus NORTH, senior Ashley Ridder gets into the spirit of the game. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 6. PUMPING UP THE CROWD during a football game against Fargo North, juniors Cheyenne Rust and Danielle Kartes do a cheer in unison. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 7. ALONG WITH CHILDREN FROM CHEERLEADING CAMP, sophomore Alicia Bates performs with the rest of her team during halftime at a basketball game. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)





2. In the middle of their pom routine, sophomore Katelyn Groth and freshman
Ashley Novacek smile to the crowd as they form a kick line. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)
3. During their routine, senior Allison Heinen and sophomore Brooke
Vangerud perform at halftime at the basketball game against Shanley. (Photo by Victoria
Steichen) 4. At the North Invitational, the Packatahnas perform their winning hip hop
routine for that invitational. (Photo by Cassie Pille) 5. Performing at West Fargo during a
basketball game, freshman Ashley Swart poses at the end of her jazz routine. (Photo by
Nicole Eisenzimmer) 6. Performing at halftime of a girls basketball game, the Packatahnas
perform a synchronized open jump. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)



Judges criteria at competitions

Showmanship

"We clap for other teams and show respect for them."

Difficulty & Skill

"Throughout our routine we do moves that other teams don't
do and that stand out to the judges."

Execution

"It's all muscle memory. We practice in front of mirrors to make sure
we are practicing each move correctly."



sophomore
Katelyn Groth



junior
Cassidy Blakeway



senior
Allison Heinen

Dancers embrace nickname Packatahnas become closer

Concealed in the blaring crowd, sophomore Cassidy Blakeway yells "Go Tunas!" during a Fargo North competition where both varsity and junior varsity Packatahnas captured first place.

"Everyone calls the Packatahnas not by their name but their nickname," Blakeway said. "Almost every competition they compete in we hold up a sign that says 'Tunas'. I think they're used to being called a tuna now."

The teams always sit together and watch each other perform, getting them more pumped up.

"I often yell 'go tunas' while (the JV is) dancing" senior Sasha Steichen said. "It gets us in a better mood and makes us all laugh."

The Bismarck Demonettes started this nickname for the Packatahnas. The Demonettes didn't really think much of it, until it started to spread around.

Most people would not think that being called such a name would turn out positive. Some people tried to use it against the Packatahnas.

"I love the name people call us regardless of our opinion of it, so might as will carry it on," Steichen said. "I think it brings us together

The team never thought that something like a nickname would become so popular. They have accepted the name people call them.

"It's kind of hard at competitions to talk about our name," sophomore Ashley Vangerud said. "No other teams understand it, and we always joke about it no matter what."

At every competition they say a little chant before they go on the floor to get ready before they perform.

"We will chant, 'Who, who, who are we? We are, we are, we are thee! Capital T-U-N-A-S, Packatunas we're the best!'" sophomore Ashley Vangerud said.

The Packatahnas change bad to good by embracing their nickname and not caring what anybody else thinks of them.

"We just say the chant to get us fired up, but we make sure it's quiet so no one can hear it," Steichen said. "That's because the people around us don't know the story behind it."

Anna Samson



SWIMMERS INSPIRED TO SUCCEED

Unpredicted outcomes at State

At the beginning of the second day of boy's state swimming, the air is filled with anticipation. The day has just begun with the 200 Medley Relay. It was full of potential, until a mishap on the slippery starting blocks at the Mandan pool, causing a swimmer to slip into the pool.

to stay optimistic. "It came somewhat naturally," Keller said. "After seeing how previous captains kept the team together we captains had a good idea what we were doing, but since every team is different we still had to learn a little."

The resulting loss was hard on the team and caused a fall in spirits. "It was pretty much the catalyst of the meet," senior Jacob Weible said. "If we would've won that it would've helped a lot."

"He was just all over the place trying to keep our spirits up because after the first relay we all knew how the meet was going to turn out," Leopold said.

Even with the minor set-back, the team scored higher than anticipated. In the end they were only behind Mandan by a mere 15 points.

In order to keep his emotions in check, Weible follows his own personal motto.

Junior Nicholas Leopold was pleased with the outcome despite the loss of that important race.

"Forget about it and move on because you can't really do anything else," Weible said.

"It felt good knowing we did better than expected," Leopold said.

The success of the season may not be reflected by a gold trophy, but it was still apparent. The team is looking forward to the next season and all it has to offer.

Senior Austin Keller was a captain that worked to keep the team's spirits up and helped them unite.

"I hope our team can recover from 2nd place and regain our spot as the best swim and dive team in North Dakota," Doll said.

"Austin Keller was, in my point of view, our team leader," freshman Ethan Doll said. "I think Austin kept our team together and was one of the reasons why we had such a successful year."

Keller felt it was more of a group effort to keep the team pumped.

"It was an effort from a lot of people to get the team to come together," Keller said. "Having 7th graders through seniors on one team is difficult and getting them to work together is one of the captain's biggest undertakings."

After the loss in the 200 Medley Relay, Keller encouraged his teammates

1. WHILE ENCOURAGING HIS TEAMMATE to keep his split times up during the 200 freestyle race, junior Jeffrey Keller prepares to be splashed. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) **2. AT THE EDC SWIM MEET**, junior Kyle Roberts does the back stroke during the 200 yard individual medley. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) **3. TAKING A QUICK BREATH**, junior Jeffrey Keller competes with the breast stroke while swimming against Fargo South. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) **4. COMPETING AGAINST MANDAN SWIMMERS**, senior Jacob Weible focuses on his freestyle race. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) **5. WHILE COMPETING AGAINST FARGO SOUTH**, junior Daniel Hulbert swims the breast stroke. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) **6. FOCUSING ON GETTING HIS STROKE RIGHT**, senior Austin Keller swims his hardest in the backstroke. (Photo by Wynnie Hackett) **7. KEEPING HIMSELF IN POSITION**, junior Kevin Roberts competes against the Mandan divers. (Photo by Cristina Martinez)



BOY'S SWIMMING YARD COUNT

After school practice x 60 practices	Morning practice x 1 day a week	Swim meets x 13 (multiple heats of each race)	Total yardage
4,500-5,500 yards	4,000 yards x 12 weeks	+ 2,150 yard minimum	= 375,950 yards (approximately the distance from Fargo to Bismarck)



Cristina Martinez
Cristina Martinez

TEEN GIRLS BUILDING ON EXPERIENCE TENNIS ENJOYS SUCCESS

The girls tennis players haven't always been at the top of the totem pole. From getting beat at EDC, to beating Bismarck Century for the first time, the girls find themselves in a new position. The drastic leap in success from last year has surprised the coaches and especially the team.

"Beating (Fargo) South twice this year had definitely raised our spirits," junior Megan Broton said.

In the history of the program, they haven't placed as a team at State, but this year they finished third out of 16 other teams. They also have a large number of younger girls joining with them this year, which has certainly made a difference since they only lost one match last year.

"We played in the offseason and became a better team with more experience," Cassandra Smith said.

Though practices have generally been the same, many have been noticing the difference in their performance. There has been more support from their friends and family, which helps them during their matches.

"Our practice routine has been pretty much the same, but I feel it's more positive than it has been in the past," senior Jillian Bechtold said.

To help with their success, they have been doing footwork with Physical Education teacher Rollie and Leah Swedberg. It's a series of rapid foot movement and jumps to help them and increase their quickness.

"Even though we didn't really like these exercises, it really paid off in the end when we got much stronger," senior Elizabeth Anderson said.

The team worked extra hard this year and it has definitely shown. They gave up their personal time to dedicate themselves to their team.

"We have been working hard this year, taking one match at a time and taking what is granted," Bechtold said.

Jessica Schmalz
Jessica Schmalz



"When each player has a score of 40 in a game, whoever wins the deuce point wins the deuce point wins the game point."
-senior Jillian Bechtold



Deuce

"When someone is serving and the ball hits the net or when a ball from the other court rolls onto your court while you play."
- junior Cassandra Smith



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"It means zero."
- sophomore Sarina Olson

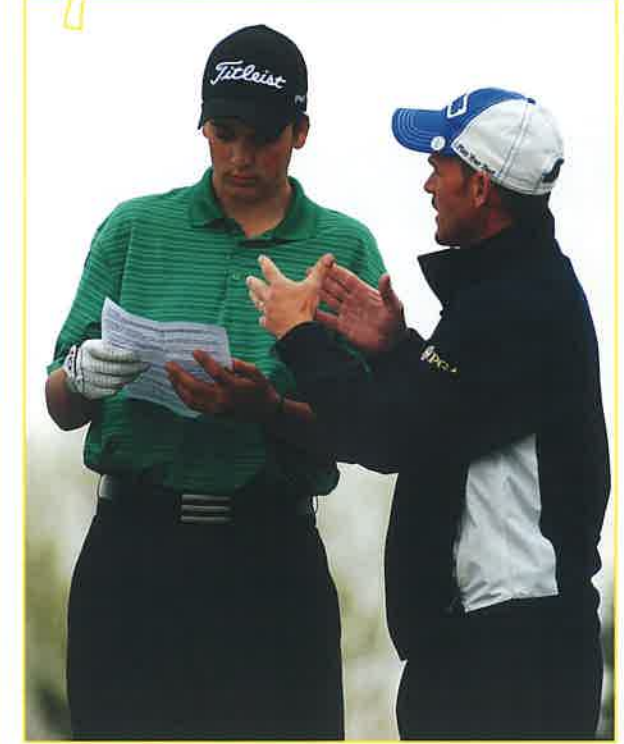


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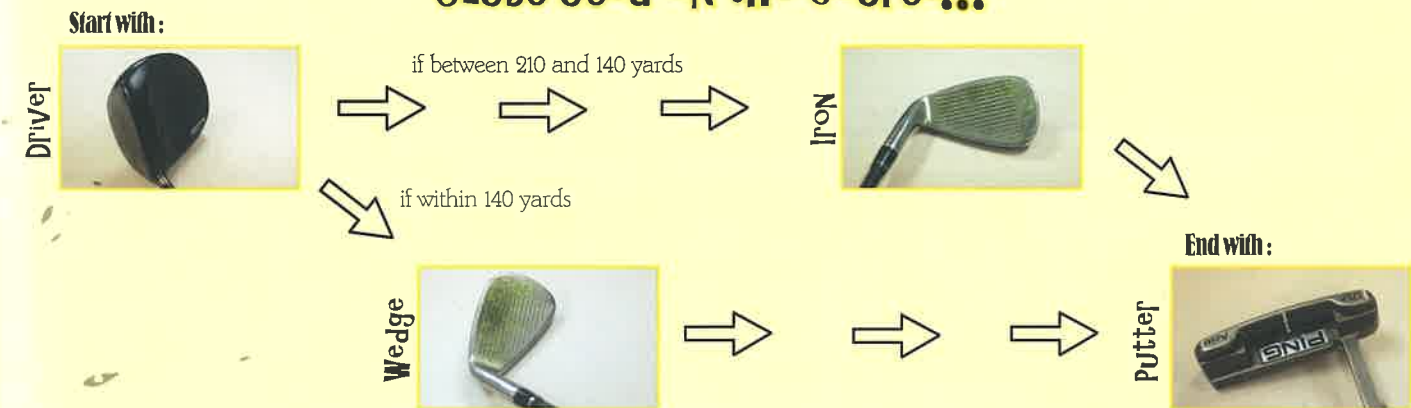


1 Keeping her eye on the ball, freshman Jaurdyn Gilliss serves overhand at home to her Valley City opponent. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 2 reacting to the serve, sophomore Sarina Olson returns the ball to her Fargo North opponent. (Photo by Devon Cavic) 3 Returning the ball to the other team, junior Megan Broton keeps the volley going during a match against Fargo North. (Photo by Devon Cavic) 4 Standing in a ready position, freshman Jaurdyn Gilliss waits for the serve during a match against Valley City. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 5 While setting her position, freshman Brooke Christensen serves underhand against her Valley City opponents. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 6 Discussing tactics for how to attack the opposing team, senior Elizabeth Anderson and junior Megan Broton talk before the next set. (Photo by Devon Cavic) 7 Preparing before a match against Fargo North, eighth grader Samantha Smith returns the ball to her warm-up partner. (Photo by Devon Cavic)

IN THE BUNKER, junior Logan Palmer swings toward the hole. (Photo by Anna Samson) 2. WHILE PRACTICING TEEING OFF at the Moorhead Golf Course, senior Jared Cowden gets ready to compete against junior Connor Holland. (Photo by Anna Samson) 3. FOLLOWING THROUGH, junior Logan Palmer finishes his swing. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 4. DRIVING THE BALL, junior Logan Palmer swings at Rose Creek. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 5. RETRIEVING THE BALL, sophomore Connor Holland retrieves the ball from the hole. (Photo by Anna Samson) 6. PATIENTLY WAITING FOR HIS TURN, junior Logan Palmer watches his opponent swing. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 7. WITH HIS COACH, sophomore Connor Holland discusses strategy for the next hole. (Photo by Anna Samson)



CLUBS USED ON THE COURSE...



COMMITTING TO THE COURSE BEYOND COLLEGE

Golfers continue to play after schooling

No matter where members of the golf team are going to college they collectively chose the same option, to continue playing golf throughout their life.

Senior Alexander Erickson is attending Bemidji State University. However he is not playing golf for the team.

"I will continue to play golf for fun because it's what I know," Erickson said. "I love being on the course."

Senior Robert Lytle is going to Arizona State University. He has talked to the coaches at ASU and is going to have a walk-on tryout when he arrives in Arizona.

"I am excited to try out there are some cool dudes on the team I have already met," Lytle said.

However, if Lytle does not make the team he is still going to play golf for fun.

"After college I plan on traveling the world and so I will get to play on some of the most beautiful courses ever," Lytle said.

Senior John Sund is attending Brainerd State University. He may receive a scholarship, but it will be depending on his EDC and State tournament results.

Either way, Sund chose to continue to play golf, even after college.

"I will golf for the rest of my life because it's one of the only sports you can play for an entire lifetime," Sund said.

Nicole Eisenhammer



My pregame ritual is...



"...I eat an orange before every game."

"...I have to park in the same parking spot at every home game."



MADISON ANDERSON



Cheering up their attitude

Cheers creates a closer team

Walking across Elmwood Fields, a distant noise approaches. The noise reaches its peak at the field surrounded by Packers fans. The West Fargo softball team screams their unique cheers and makes sure they are heard.

"West Fargo has a reputation for our cheers, and it doesn't matter to us whether people get annoyed or not," junior Oksana Tyulyandina said. "The cheers are ours and it's what makes us a unique team."

The team has made eight new cheers this season, with a total of around 30 cheers. While on road trips to their games, they think of their cheers from songs and put it in their own words.

"We definitely have more cheers than the past years because we always think of something new that goes along with someone's name and we put it into a cheer," junior Carissa Becher said.

They have made up cheers for almost every part of the game, the beginning of the game, a new pitcher warming up, a foul ball, when a teammate is batting, after a walked batter and after a stolen base.

"The cheers usually get us all pumped up for the game and during the game if something bad happens, the cheers bring us back to life and lift our spirits," Tyulyandina said.

The girls have an ulterior motive to bring themselves up and bring down the opposing team.

"Cheering in the dugout helps to get everyone involved in the game and pumped up and ready to play, and sometimes it even messes with the other team's defense," sophomore Brook Rheault said.

Not only have their cheers contributed to their better playing, but also to their team bonding.

"I think the cheers make us closer as a team because we always do some silly dance move or make some memory we will never forget," Becher said.

With the reputation they have, these cheers help to prove how close they are as a team, which shows by their performance. The Packers wrapped up their second consecutive sanctioned state title this year, defeating Red River in the championship, 5-2. Their familiarity with each other helps their success, aided by their unique cheers.

"All of our cheers have only made us closer as a team and we are like a big family," Becher said. "The cheers just give us memories we will never forget."

Amy Matzke
Amy Matzke

1. SWINGING THE BAT, sophomore Katie Woodbury attempts to get a base hit at Moorhead. (Photo by Samantha Nelson) **2. WITH A TIGHT GRIP ON THE BAT**, senior Allison Klug watches the ball as it spirals towards her. (Photo by Devon Cavic) **3. WINDING UP TO PITCH**, junior Kacie Johnson attempts to strike out a Moorhead batter. (Photo by Devon Cavic) **4. LOOKING TOWARDS FIRST**, sophomore Shannah Piehal tosses the ball to first base after cleanly fielding the ball. (Photo by Devon Cavic) **5. SINGING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM**, senior Madison Anderson shows off her vocal talent prior to playing at home against Fargo South. (Photo by Devon Cavic) **6. TOSsing THE BAT**, junior Carissa Becher sprints towards first base after hitting the ball. (Photo by Devon Cavic) **7. AT THE END OF THE INNING**, sophomore Brook Rheault tosses ball to junior Danielle Nelson. (Photo by Devon Cavic)

Baseball players keep themselves motivated



Season heats up, so does their game

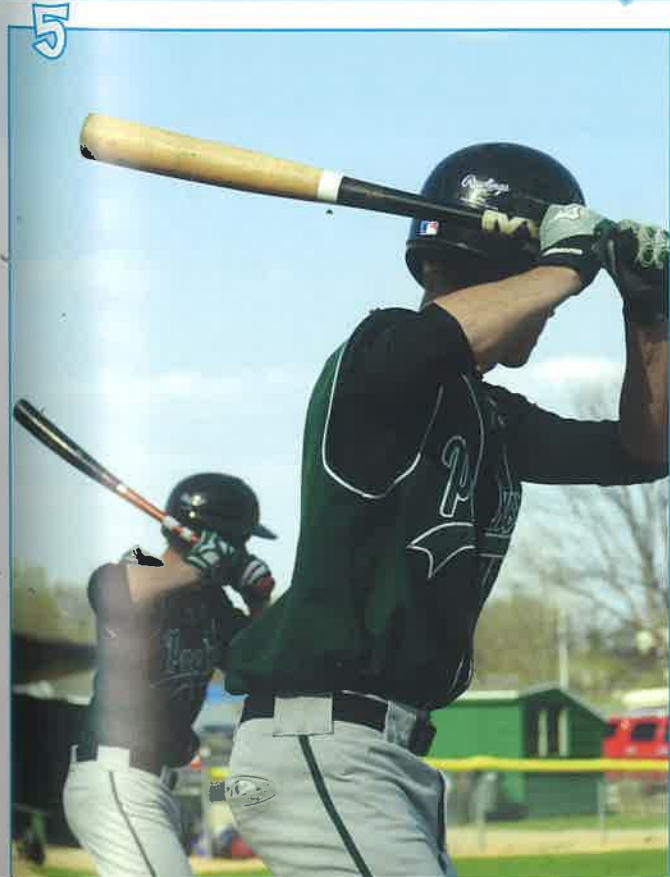
Unpredictably became the baseball team's specialty throughout the season. The intensity peaked against Fargo North, where the Packers met the Vikings in the state-qualifying game. "I believe it was the most intense considering that it was the game that decided if we went to state or not," senior outfielder Peyton Vane said. "Going into the game, the players were positive. We felt pretty confident," sophomore shortstop Andrew Young said. "We hadn't lost to them yet." During the first three innings of the game, the score was stuck at 0-0. The Packers broke the tie in the bottom of the fourth and took a 1-0 lead. In the top of the sixth, there were no runs scored until North started to take over with two runs in the top of the sixth, taking the lead, 4-1. That's when it became urgent for the Packers to win. It took the last out of the inning, but the guys pulled themselves together in the end. "It finally hit us that if we lost, our season would be over," junior catcher Tanner Dahl said. "I don't think any of us wanted that." With an amazing comeback, capped off with senior Bryce Jorgensen's walk-off single, the boys defeated North 5-4. "It was a great feeling knowing we made it to State," outfielder Daniel Hoy said. "To win the way we did made it a little bittersweet, and it added to the character of the team." Besides good character, the team's success this year has been because of the players' experience with the game. "A lot of the starters on our team have had at least two years of game experience," Vane said, "some even three years."

Emily Shaffer
Emily Shaffer



Teammate Comparison

Players	Position	Years Played Baseball	Favorite Professional Baseball Team	Favorite Sports Brand
 sophomore Tucker Bucholz	Catcher	7	Angels	Oakley
 senior Peyton Vane	Outfield	14	Twins	Nike



1. ON THE PITCHER'S MOUND, senior Matthew Strahm follows through while pitching against Fargo North. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 2. SLIDING INTO THIRD BASE, senior Spencer Flaten steals a base at home against Devils Lake. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 3. REACHING FOR THE BALL, sophomore Tucker Bucholz catches during a game at Wahpeton. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 4. SITTING ON THE BENCH, junior Austin Dillard watches as his team ups to bat during the non-conference game against Wahpeton. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 5. WARMING UP ON DECK, seniors Spencer Flaten, front, and Daniel Hoy, back, time their swings to Wahpeton's starting pitcher. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 6. FOLLOWING THROUGH, junior Tanner Dahl pitches at home against Fargo South. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 7. LEADING OFF, junior Austin Horsager steps off of second base, keeping his eyes peeled to know when to run. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer)

What excites you most about going to state?

"I am very excited about going to state. I feel we will be very successful against all of the teams we play. I'm ready for the challenge and I'm very excited."

"What excites me the most is we have the chance to show everyone that we are a successful team and we can win state if we work hard because all the games were close."



freshman
Kaylee Savage



GIRLS LEAN ON EACH OTHER

Packers capture first state title in school history

Teamwork was a key feature this season for girls soccer. During the last four years, the girls soccer team struggled to make it to the state competition. However, the girls had a successful season and earned a spot to play in the tournament as the East's fourth seed. "It felt absolutely amazing [to be in the tournament], especially because we worked so hard to get there," junior Megan Rotert said. The girls refer to the song "Lean on Me" to sum up their team, according to senior Kelsey Kloos. "We are like a family and we lean on each other to get through," Kloos said.

Not only were the girls able to make it into the state competition, they also defeated higher-seeded opponents. The Packers toppled the defending champion Bismarck Century, 5-1, putting them against defending champion and rival Fargo South. Fargo South was the two-time state champion, but they girls were able to play the Bruins.

Toward the end of the game junior Andrea Muller was in a one-

on-one situation against Fargo South's goalie. She scored, making it 1-0, which gave the Packers the win.

"It felt really good to win, especially since it was the first time in the school's history of beating South," Muller said. "It was a once in a lifetime thing."

The historical win placed the girls into the championship game against the No. 4 seed from the West, Minot.

"I was super nervous going into the game, but we were the underdogs and had nothing to lose," Muller said.

The game was tied 2-2 at the end of regulation, leading to an overtime shootout. The shootout was tied with 4-4 and Kloos was sent out to attempt to kick the last goal for the win.

Kloos made her shot, ending the game with a win and giving the Packers their first state title in school history.

"After I kicked everyone came running at me, people were jumping up and down and crying," Kloos said. "It was just one of those moments."



1. DRIBBLING DOWN THE FIELD, senior Kelsey Kloos attempts to pass her Grand Forks Central opponent. (Photo by Samantha Nelson) **2. WORKING FOR POSSESSION**, junior Andrea Muller kicks the ball while a Grand Forks Central Defender attempts to steal the ball. (Photo by Samantha Nelson) **3. MANEUVERING AROUND HER OPPONENT**, senior Tia Lopez dribbles the ball past her opponent and towards the goal. (Photo by Samantha Nelson) **4. WHILE LOOKING DOWN FIELD**, sophomore Erin Krogh works her way down field while fighting off her opponent. (Photo by Samantha Nelson) **5. TRYING TO BE A GOOD SPORT**, Coach Jon Melendez lays on the ground after the team found duct tape on the field and proceeded to put it around their coach. (Photo by Hillary Hugelen) **6. RUNNING AROUND HER OPPONENT**, senior Kayla Miller moves down field at home against Fargo South (Photo by Jordi Braaten) **7. STRUGGLING FOR THE BALL**, sophomore Lauren Johnson fights for possession against her opponent. (Photo by Samantha Nelson)



History in the Making

The Boys Turing things Around

While running in the cold the morning before the team finally heads to state, sophomore Jacob Kroke paces himself, taking one step at a time. Feeling like he just ran a marathon, Kroke finishes his last lap. The last lap he runs before heading to the Community Bowl track in Bismarck.

"I never thought I would be one of the guys that actually got to run at state," Kroke said. "I feel pretty important."

Kroke and his team placed in the 4x800-meter relay, which helped the track team finish third at state. The top three finishes are the best they've ever done.

"I was surprised and very happy," distance coach Brad Amundson said. "The boys really pulled it off this year. I had a good feeling from the effort they performed with at practice."

The effort was helped by 39 people qualifying for state between the girls and boys team, the most runners that have made it to State for West Fargo.

"When I saw that track, I knew I could run," Kroke said of the Community Bowl. "When I heard that we finally placed for the first time since I've been back, I was so excited. It got me to run even harder."

Many people placed this year, and some even set records.

"When the boys placed in State this year, I think that was one of the best accomplishments ever recorded in all the years of West Fargo track," Amundson said.

"I was so happy we finally placed in events," junior Shane Hillen said.

The girls also finished third behind the success of senior Ellie Grooters, who took titles in the 100- and 300-meter hurdles. Freshman Christine Baltezare placed in the most events, the one mile, the 4x800 relay, and the two-mile. The runners know how hard they have to work to get to state, but in the end the work pays off.

"The coaches can be hard at practice, but in the end it's all worth it," Baltezare said. "Getting to state seemed like it took a lot of work, but once you're on that track you know you worked hard."

Anna Samson
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Track through the Season

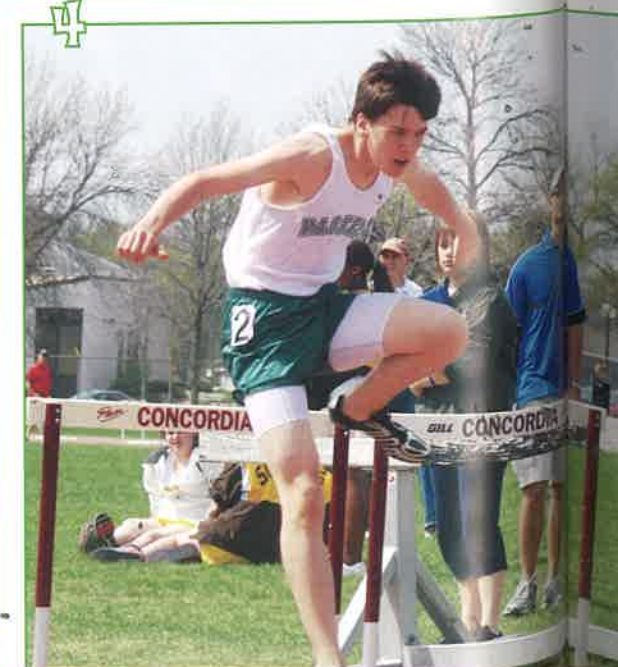
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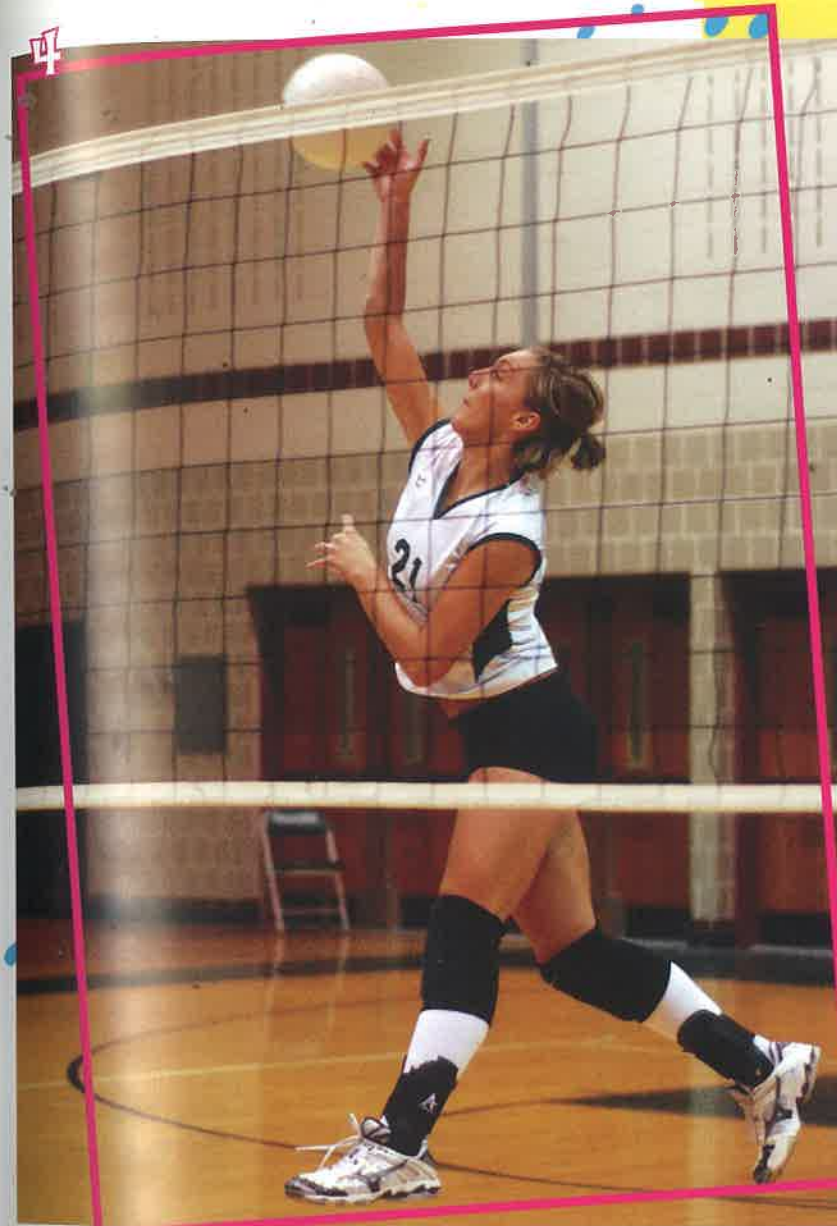
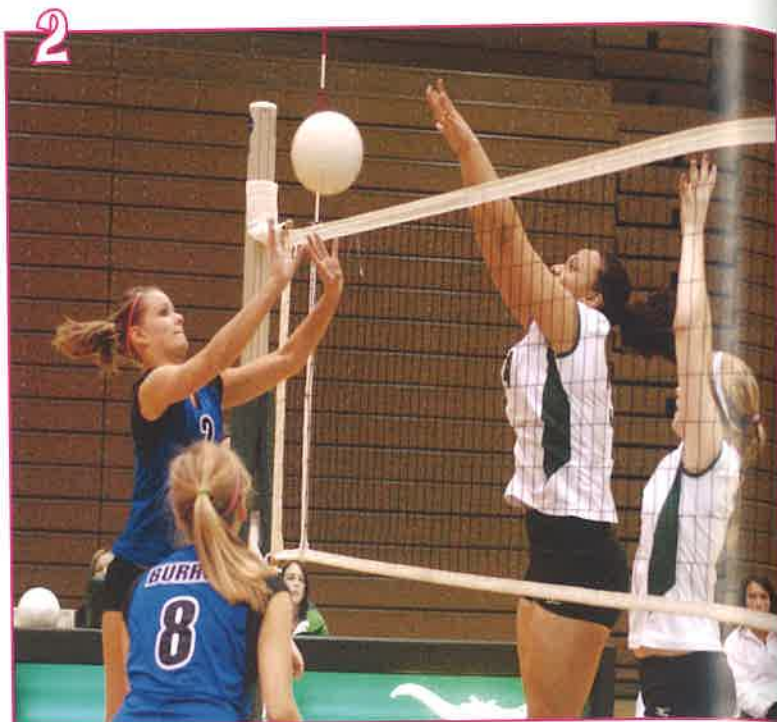
First Day
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At EDC
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1. On the first day of track practice, athletes fill the gymnasium to warm up. (Photo by Devon Cario) 2. After all, freshman Paige McQuade sprints to the finish line at the Concordia track meet. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 3. Winding up to throw, junior Drew Johnson throws javelin at the West Fargo track meet. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 4. Leaping over the bar, junior Jeffrey Keller dodges a hurdle while he makes his way to the finish line. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 5. Releasing the pole, Levi Bachmeier propels through the air as he performs the pole vaulting bar. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 6. In the middle of the relay, freshman Christine Baltezare runs to her teammates during a relay at Concordia. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 7. Throwing shotput, senior Mason Hillen attempts to qualify for state at the West Fargo invite. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)





Michael Reiner



Danielle Nelson

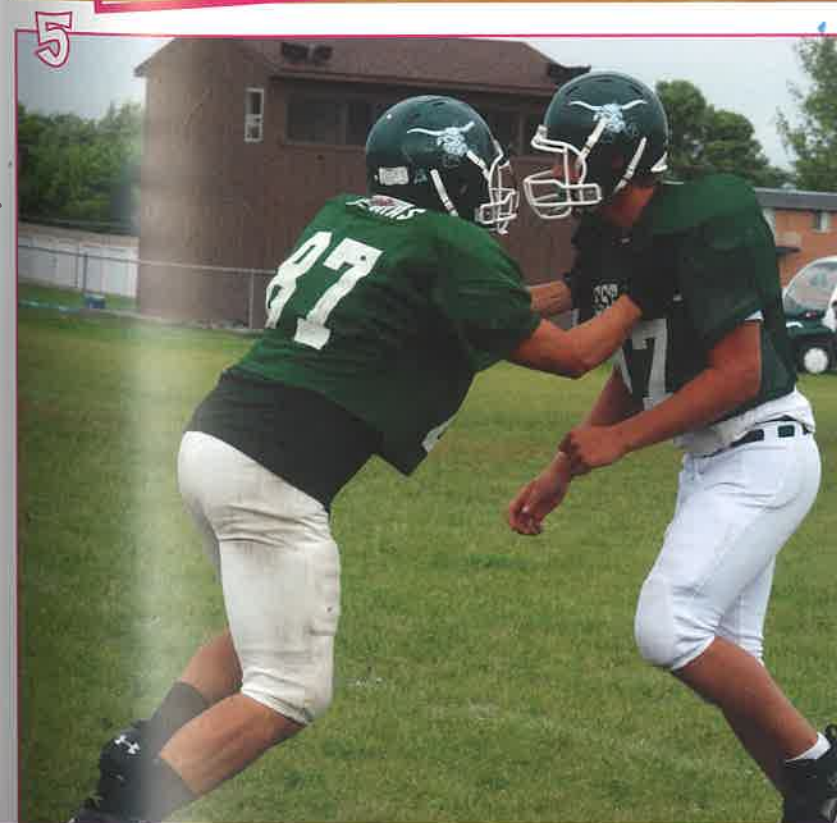


Matthew Prochniak

	Football		Volleyball		Soccer	
	JV	Varsity	JV	Varsity	JV	Varsity
How are the intensity levels different?	All about getting prepared for the varsity level.	They are more intense; the games mean more and are important.	It's more relaxed, not as much pressure as the varsity.	There is more pressure because you're trying to get past EDC to go to State.	The game is at a slower pace and the players aren't as into it as much as Varsity.	The pace is much faster and you have to be on your feet and prepared.
How are the aspects of practice different?	The JV works to show the offenses and the defenses of the opponent of that week.	The Varsity leads the practice while the JV acts as a practice squad.	We practice with Varsity to push them to get better.	They practice against JV to help them improve because we're always looking to get better for EDC and State.	The practices are more laid back and you're still learning the game and fundamentals.	The coaches expect more; you practice on a higher level.

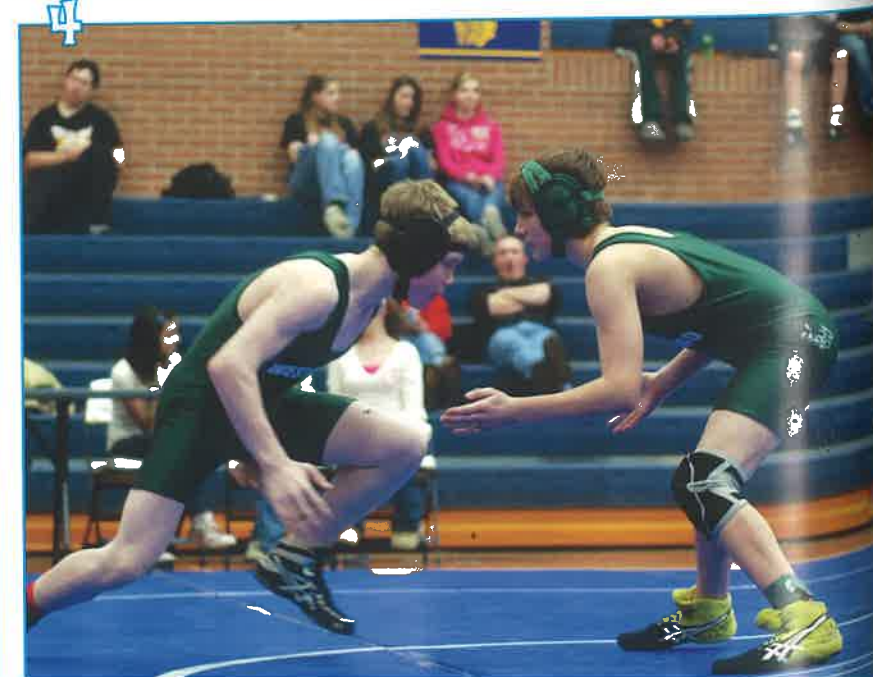


1. REPLENISHING THEMSELVES DURING TWO-A-DAYS, football players down some water on a short break. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) **2. DURING A HOME GAME AGAINST HILLSBORO**, junior Cherea Reeves blocks opposing member's push to the other court. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **3. ESCAPING FARGO SOUTH**, sophomore Ali Hassan kicks the ball downfield towards the goal. (Photo by Devon Cavic) **4. SPIKING THE BALL AGAINST HER OPPONENT**, junior Katherine Anderson scores a point for her team. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **5. PRACTICING BLOCKING**, sophomores Mathew Mathias and Eric Langerude practice during two-a-days. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) **6. ATTEMPTING TO BLOCK HIS TEAMMATE DURING PRACTICE**, junior Michael Reiner practices blocking teammate junior Alex Fontaine. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) **7. AFTER SCORING A POINT**, volleyball team members congratulate each other on the success and encourage each other to keep up the good work. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **8. FIGHTING FOR THE BALL**, sophomore Sam Saville gets taken down by his opponents. (Photo by Devon Cavic)



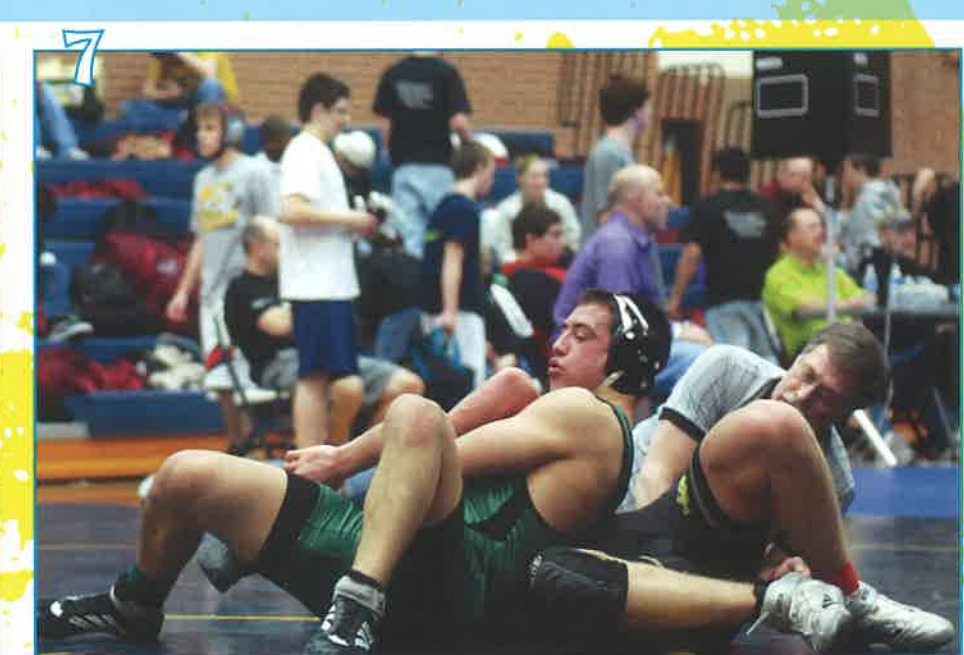
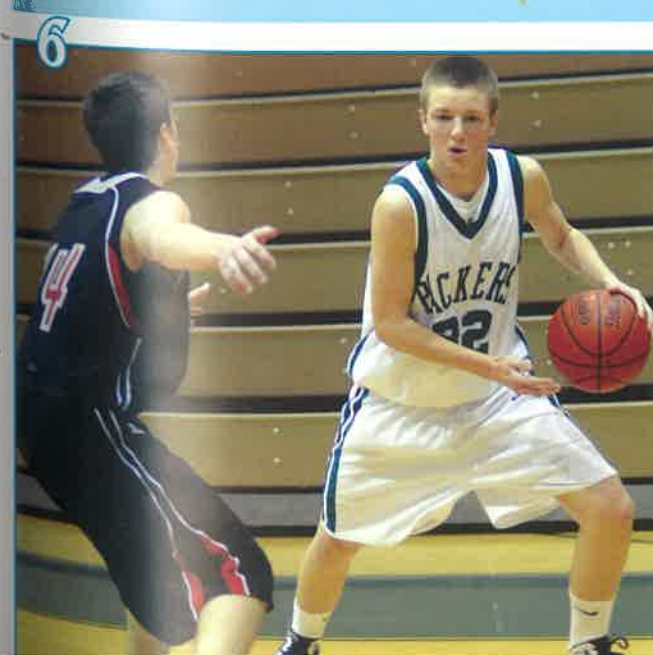


1. **AT HIGH SCHOOL**, sophomores Emily Burdick and Amanda Marinucci performed their first place jazz routine at the North Invitational. (Photo by Cassie Pillen) **2. TO TAKE A SHOT**, junior Jonathon Pistorius goes in for a layup in a game against Devil's Lake. (Photo by Kaleigh Omang) **3. BEFORE GETTING PINNED** against the senior Tyler Flaagan clears the puck at the Vets Arena against North Fargo. (Photo by Jolie Yocchim) **4. DURING A MATCH**, eighth grader Kyle Kragness prepares to pin his eighth grade teammate Tanner Kuznia. (Photo by Kelsey Davil) **5. DURING THE INVITATIONAL** on Dec. 5th, the JV Packatanas perform their pom routine which they earned first place. (Photo by Cassie Pillen) **6. LOOKING FOR AN OPENING** to score, junior Tanner Dahl tries to find a way around his Devil's Lake opponent. (Photo by Kaleigh Omang) **7. AFTER PUTTING HIS OPPONENT ON HIS BACK**, junior Jordan Seaman works for the pin at JV EDC at Fargo North High School. (Photo by Kelsey Davil)



Athlete Comparison

	Sport	# of years involved	Best memory of this season	Goal for next year
 Sophomore Tanya Kolrud	hockey	12	taking state	make second line varsity
 Sophomore Adam Seamands	wrestling	1	going to EDC	go to state





Who Knows Karson Mapes Better...



Karson Mapes



Zachary Steckler

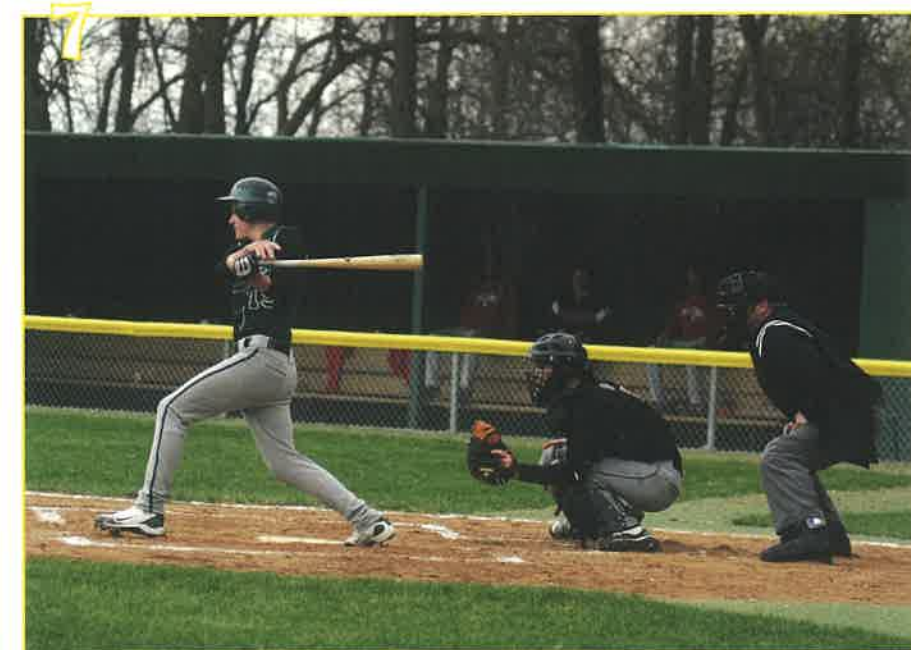


Brock Evenson

Jersey Number:	31	31	31
Years in Baseball:	10 Years	10 Years	9 Years
Favorite Baseball Team:	New York Mets	New York Mets	New York Mets
Favorite Professional Player:	Jacoby Ellsbury	Dustin Pedoria	Jacoby Ellsbury
Favorite Seed Flavor:	Barbecue	Regular	Ranch
Score:	-	3	3



1. In a race for the ball, freshman Mara Lopez competes to get to the ball before her Fargo South Davies opponent. (Photo by Samantha Nelson) 2. With her eye on the ball, freshman Ashley Sather stands ready to swing at the ball pitched from Central Cass. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 3. Hitting the zone, junior Alexander Herzog was throwing strikes against Enderlin at the West Fargo Home field. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 4. Concentrating on the batter, freshman Jolene Woodbury winds up to pitch a strike at the Central Cass game. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 5. In a game against Moorhead, sophomore Haley Johnson slides into second base. (Photo by Devon Cavic) 6. Battling to keep possession, freshman Hayley Walsh fights to keep control of the ball. (Photo by Samantha Nelson) 7. Hitting a line drive, junior Braden Schmid hits the ball out to the right field against Enderlin. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 8. Kicking with power, freshman Emily Hartwig clears the ball from Fargo South Davies.

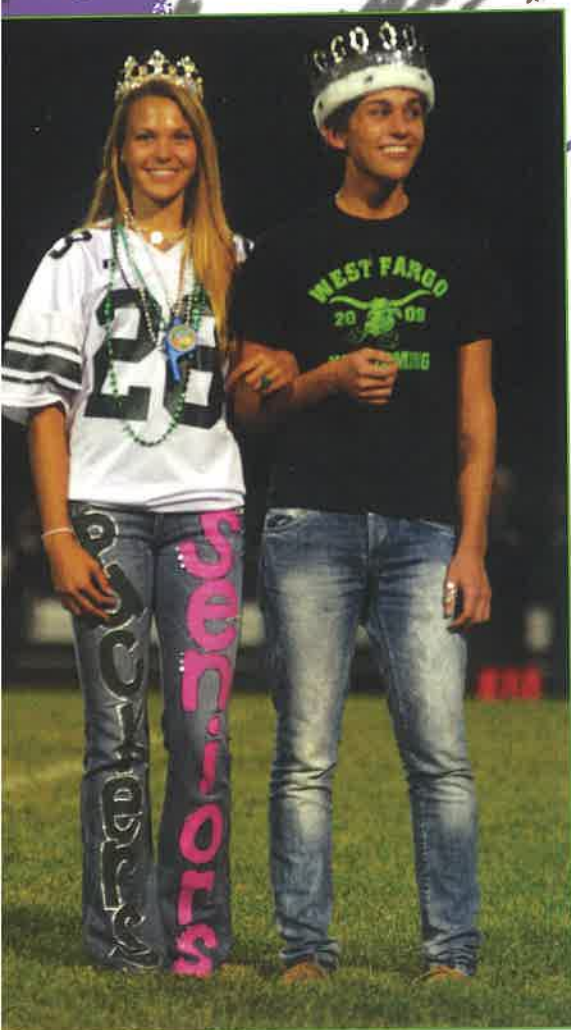




Student Life



1. SHOWING HER SUPPORT for school spirit on 80's day, junior Amanda Reiter works on a World Geography packet. (Photo by Kelsey Dau) 2. DURING Scary Story presentations in ENGLISH CLASS, junior Faith Lucia utilizes a flashlight to increase the adrenaline of her classmates. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 3. PARTICIPATING IN THE SECOND ANNUAL CHALK FEST, senior Tia Lopez colors in her design dedicated to the hockey champs. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 4. DRIVING AROUND TOWN, senior Cody Schill acts as Optimus Prime, sophomore Olivia Cox acts as Lady Gaga, and sophomore James Schill...



Top Five events of Homecoming Week

1. Homecoming game



2. PowderPuff game

3. Coronation

4. Wearing football jersey



5. Tailgating

My Favorite Homecoming Memory Was...

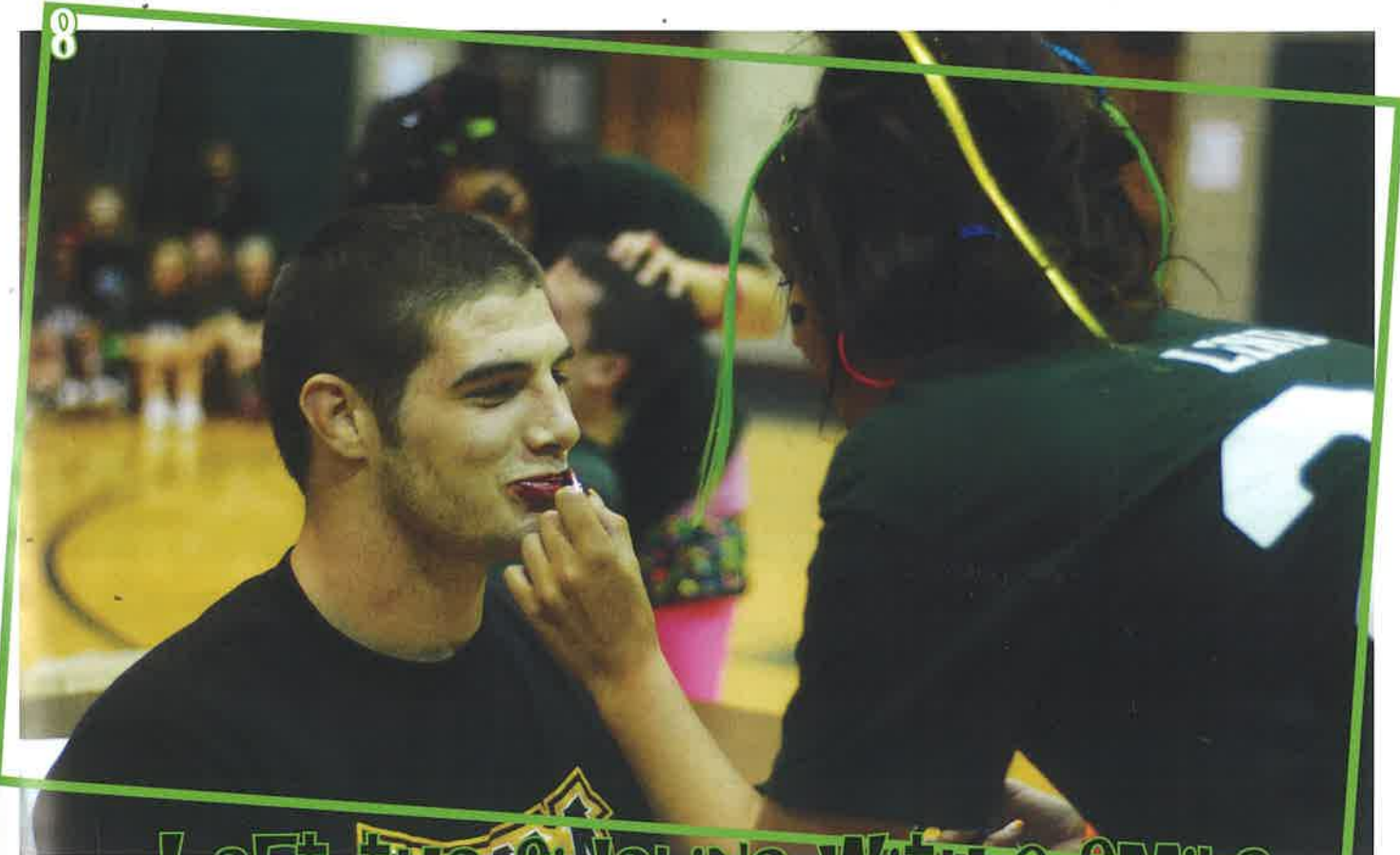
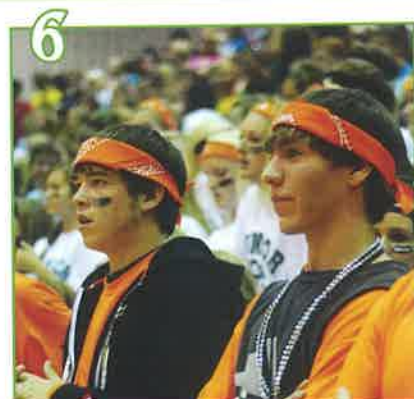


“...showing up late to the football game and not getting a parking spot.”

“...making Homecoming pants with all my closest friends.”



are announced Homecoming King and Queen, seniors Ellie Grooters and Robert Jacobs walk down the football field at halftime for recognition. (Photo by Victoria Hackett) CLASS, junior Connor Wright focuses on holding his whole note during Tye-dye Day, Sept. 14. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 2. Reacting to the events during the pep rally, cheerleaders Danielle Kartes, and Brooke Pederson wait for their next transition of events. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 3. Throwing her hands in the air, junior Carissa Becher the music during the Homecoming Dance. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 4. Senior Powderpuff girls huddle together during the first half to pick their next play. (Photo by er) 5. Powderpuff junior coaches Jacob Hanson and Vincent Bjorem watch the excitement during the fall pep rally. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 6. The males on the Homecoming court stand for pictures after they announced who received Homecoming king and queen. (Photo by Victoria Hackett) 7. During the fall pep rally, senior Alyssa Lind makes for Scott Schiller for the Homecoming court event. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)



Left the Sideline With a Smile

No doubts about a good first experience

As the bleachers fill with students, parents, and family members, the atmosphere becomes intense with people screaming their lungs out. The cheerleaders walk out on the sidelines nervously, not necessarily because of the massive crowd, but because they were walking out to a first experience and they couldn't wait to know the outcome.

Homecoming is a big deal to most cheerleaders every year, but it's an even bigger deal to the girls that have never experienced it before. Sophomore Kayleigh Omang was a little nervous at first, but at the same time she was extremely excited.

“The crowd was going to be larger than I've ever cheered in before and I didn't want to mess up,” Omang said.

The Homecoming game was against the No. 2-ranked team in the state, Minot. It wasn't decided until the final play.

“The best part of the game was the last quarter of the game because the crowd was so pumped up and we were really hoping we would win the close game,” Omang said.

Junior Cheyenne Rust thought the younger girls cheered really well at the Homecoming game.

“The girls learned a lot at the beginning of the year and they really applied it to their cheers at the game,” she said.

The girls are constantly trying to impress their coaches so they can make varsity next year. The underclassmen girls had a great time this year because of the huge crowd that came to the big game.

“I was on varsity for the first year and had never cheered at a Homecoming game,” sophomore Amber Cox said. “We had such a huge crowd that actually cheered along with us, which was different from other games.”

The upperclassmen tried to make the younger girls feel like they deserve their spots on the team and helped them improve their cheering and be confident in themselves.

“This year's Homecoming game was extremely special to me because it was my first year on varsity and we wore football player's jerseys and I didn't even feel like a sophomore,” Cox said. “Having experienced this year makes me extremely excited for next year's game.”

The Homecoming experience on varsity motivates the girls to work hard to prepare for standing on the sidelines next year.

“I think they will be great role models for the upcoming varsity cheerleaders next season,” Rust said.



Girls get aggressive

Injuries involved in the mix

Blocking the next person who came near the quarterback, senior Emily Holland took a large step toward the girl on her right side and collided with her. She fell to the ground after only six minutes of play and struggled to get herself back up.

"I can't even describe the pain I felt," Holland said. "Watching my knee roll back and forth was so scary."

Not being able to get herself off the field, teammates came to help. Seniors Tiffany Fitterer and Alyssa Weisbeck were a big help. Weisbeck got ice and Fitterer calmed her down and held her knee in place. With the help of parents in the crowd, she was able to get to her mom's car.

"I ended up tearing my ACL, my MCL, meniscus, and cracked my bone, which means I damaged the cartilage in my knee," Holland said.

Not only did she injure her knee, X-rays on her elbow revealed she also broke her radial head.

"When I fell, I landed on my elbow and I didn't realize how painful it was because my knee was worse," she said.

Holland wasn't the only person to get injured in the game. Weisbeck injured her arm, only to later find out she fractured her humerus.

"When I got injured it was very hard not to be able to play, but I still went back in once and fought through the pain," she said.

Throughout the rest of the 2009 Powderpuff game, other injuries occurred, varying from people having just bumps and bruises to the tearing of muscles. Players were more anxious for victory and the possibilities of injuries increased.

With many injuries occurring to both teams, juniors continued to work hard against the seniors. Seniors managed to keep playing hard for the win, despite injuries.

"I wanted to win really bad," senior Tia Lopez said. "I'm friends with a lot of the juniors, so it was good just to rub it in."

The seniors ended up clinching the win, 8-6. Competing against classmates brings the intensity to a new level.

"They have a lot of good athletic girls and at times it looked a little sketchy," Lopez said.

Nothing stopped the seniors from giving up when the injuries occurred to the players. The last year in high school is a key motivation for seniors to win the Powderpuff game.

"The aggressiveness just went up I guess," Lopez said. "Once you're a senior it's pretty much a must you have to win."

Jordi Braaten
Jordi Braaten

Directions on how to splatter paint like the seniors



CHOOSE acrylic colors and squirt them on a plate



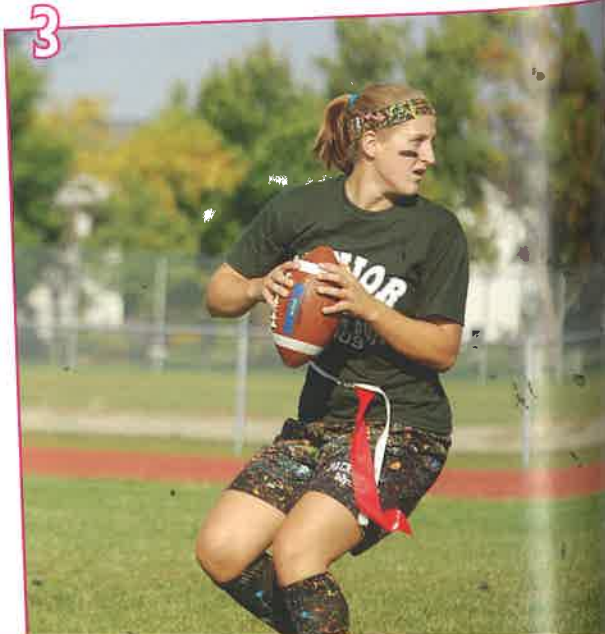
Take a paint brush with desired color and cover the brush



Flick the brush towards the object to be splattered



Repeat process with numerous colors until satisfied with splatters



1. Keeping her eye open for a teammate, senior Tia Lopez tries her best to complete a play and dodge junior opponent Hillary Hugelen. (photo by Victoria Hackett) 2. Senior powderpuff coaches dance along side their quarterback Tia Lopez during the pep rally, as an introduction the senior powderpuff team. (Photo by Katie Birenkott) 3. Senior Kelsey Kloos looks for a pass to her senior classmates during the Powderpuff game. (photo by Victoria Hackett) 4. Doing her best to protect her quarterback, senior Alyssa Lind pushes down a junior to help make a touch down. (photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 5. Junior coach Lee Howes shows his frustration with the refing staff during the Powderpuff game. (photo by Victoria Hackett) 6. Protecting herself and the ball senior Brenna Fisher shifts her body away from juniors Megan Rotert and Kelsey Dreyton. (photo by Tiffany Fitterer)

Directions on how to back comb hair like the juniors



Take section of hair



place comb to the top of hair



BRUSH hair from top of hair to bottom



Spray hair with strong hair spray



FINISHED back combed hair

BACK ON THE SIDELINES

Trainers Forced to stand back in serious situations

Trainers have a close up view for all the intense action of sports. When an athlete is injured on their playing field, it is their job to help them in any way they can. However at times the situation is so serious and a professional must step in and take control leaving the trainer to watch helplessly.

Senior Tiffany Fitterer has been a trainer for eight seasons for football and baseball. She understands that professionals have to step in but still finds it difficult to stand back and do nothing.

"There are certain things that as students we are not allowed to do for various reasons," Fitterer said. "When you spend as much time with an athlete as I do and you watch one of them go down on the field and not move, how would you feel if you weren't allowed to help?" Junior Oksana Tyulyandina, who trains for football, volleyball, and basketball with Fitterer.

"When other trainers step in to help, it makes me very nervous," Fitterer said. "They do not know each and every detail about them and their injury. I feel like the player is my responsibility, not theirs."

Although the girls are always willing to help, head athletic trainer Peterson says this is not possible.

"It's a liability issue," Peterson said. "If I'm there, I take over." Although they can't always step in, the trainers feel an intense responsibility towards the player's safety.

"My biggest responsibility I have is my team," Tyulyandina said. "When they come first and their concerns are also my concerns. My job is to skip a beat when a player goes down."

Fitterer is also extremely dedicated. "I care about the players as if they were my own," Fitterer said. "I would give my life for them any day."

The girls' dedication is paralleled by the hours of training the girls receive from Fitterer and Tyulyandina along with many of the other trainers. They attended a two day training class at Orthopedic Associates.

The class teaches you all types of taping techniques, about concussions, and how to be CPR certified," Fitterer said.



For all the time and dedication put into their sports, it can be frustrating for the trainers to stand back and watch their players get hurt away by professionals. However there is nothing they can do.

"It's one of the hardest things a trainer has to do," Tyulyandina said.

Johanna Erickson
Johanna Erickson



TRAINING PREPARATION COMPARISON



	Step 1:	Step 2:	Step 3:	Step 4:
 Indoor	Tape and heat	fill water, ice bags, and some cups	move everything to the gym	grab towels
 Outdoor	Tape and heat	fill water, ice buckets, and bottles	Move everything to GEM or other vehicle	Check training bag, towels, tape, etc.

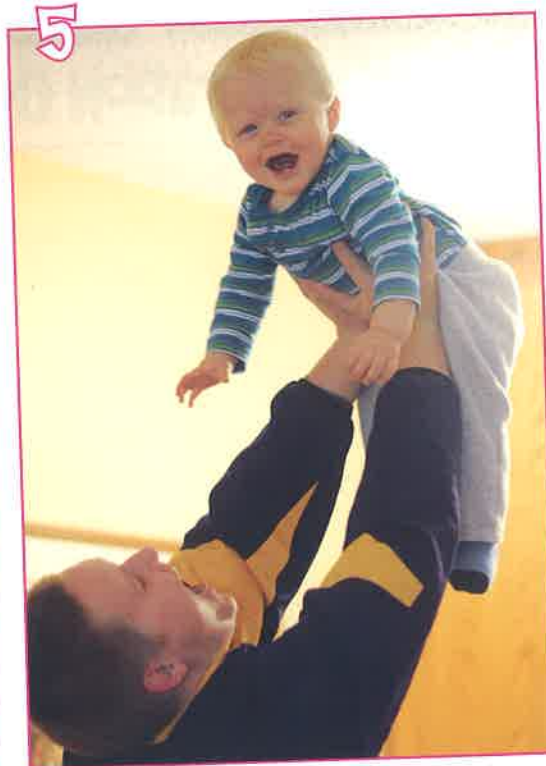


1. WORKING Side by Side, senior Tiffany Fitterer and junior Oksana Tyulyandina help football players get prepared for practice. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) **2. Keeping track of the SWIMMER'S times** during a boy's swim meet against Mandan, senior Ashley Kranda pays close attention to the current event. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) **3. PRACTICING HER TAPING SKILLS** on senior Allison Klug's thumb, junior Oksana Tyulyandina gets her prepared for practice. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) **4. TO STOP a HOCKEY player'S skate from rubbing on her callous**, senior Brooke Yochim wraps the player's foot to protect it. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) **5. IN the training room after SCHOOL**, senior Tiffany Fitterer wraps a student's ankle so they can practice. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) **6. DURING the State Wrestling tournament**, senior...



Baby Comparison

	Held Up Head For First Time	Birth Date	Birth Weight	Birth Length
 Skylla Suezett Fuller	2 1/2 months	Jan. 15, 2010	4 pounds 14 ounces	18.7 inches
 Jason James Lehfeldt	3 1/2 months	July 2, 2009	8 pounds 6 ounces	19.5 inches



1. SUPPLIED WITH DIAPERS, TOYS AND WIPEs, Jason's changing table display some of the basic needs of taking care of a baby. (Photo by Aren Cossette) **2.** PLAYING WITH HER DAUGHTER, junior Linda Fuller holds Skylla up, making her dance. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **3.** SITTING WITH THEIR CHILD, JASON, seniors Bridget Breker and Christopher Lehfeldt watch him play with their puppy. (Photo by Aren Cossette) **4.** IN THE MIDDLE OF what seems a long day, John yawns while his mother, senior Samantha Wolter, holds him. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **5.** PUTTING A SMILING FACE ON JASON, senior Christopher Lehfeldt plays with him by holding him in the air. (Photo by Aren Cossette) **6.** IN ATTEMPT TO GET JOHN TO SMILE, senior Samantha Wolter tickles her son's chin. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **7.** AFTER BURPING SKYLLA, junior Linda Fuller leans over to kiss her daughter on the cheek. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **8.** WATCHING HER SON, JASON, play with her cell phone, senior Bridget Breker keeps him entertained. (Photo by Aren Cossette)



TEENS receive an UNEXPECTED gift

Students manage school and family

As seniors Bridget Breker and Christopher Lehfeldt drive to their friend's house on Halloween in 2008, she begins to feel sick. Breker knew right away that she was pregnant. They never planned on raising a child their senior year of high school. However, they now find it impossible to picture their lives without their son, Jason.

"Our relationship has gotten stronger," Lehfeldt said, "We still have speed bumps just like any other couple does and sometimes I think we're too hard on each other. But we're doing everything we can to make our relationship work for us and our son."

"I feel more like a family now, everything has become more genuine since Jason was born," Breker said.

They have grown together as a family. Breker and Lehfeldt are closer than they have ever been. However at times students may not have a person to talk to about their pregnancies so they turn to a counselor for guidance.

"Before a student feels comfortable telling family members or someone close, they usually come to me for advice," Counselor Kristi Nigg said. "I'm always there to support the student, no matter what decisions they decide."

Pregnant students have time to decide what they will do after the baby is born. Most of them get private tutors.

"Once a student has the baby, they have to learn how to balance school and home life," Nigg said. "We depend on the student to have a home-bound tutor, for about four to six weeks."

Teenagers usually think about their future plans before graduating high school. Teen parents Lehfeldt and Breker never thought that giving up college was part of the plan.

"Next year I plan on going to NDSCS for occupational therapy," Breker said.

Lehfeldt will also be going to college next year.

"My plans are to live at home with Bridget and Jason while attending NDSCS in Wahpeton, I am going for auto and diesel tech," Lehfeldt said.

He previously had planned on attending NDSU to get a Bachelor's in accounting, but decided it would be best to go into the workforce sooner for his fiancée and his son.

"It's harder than I thought, but that is the consequence of having sex."

My Favorite part of the year Was...



"...bringing movies for everyone to watch."

"...going to the zoo and having my sister [junior Kaitlin Snead] come with to help."



Jonathan Snead



Making Memories

Seniors spend time with Special Education students

Working on concluding the last year of high school and getting prepared for college, seniors Cassandra Shorma and Meranda Harris decided to take time out of their busy year to help with the Special Education students.

"I started helping because my mom works with these students suggested me trying it out for a good experience to have," Harris said. "Little did I know I would fall in love with these students."

The girls go in and help before homeroom, during study halls, any other extra free time they have throughout the day. Shorma is out with Special Education students' weekly activities.

"Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday are gym days, Wednesday is a music day, and Friday is an outing day where we take a bus to a store or park," Shorma said.

They also do other activities that include baking, reading, and doing art projects.

"(My favorite activity is to be) outside with the girls," Special Education student Kyle Beck said.

okay if I brought Kyle to Prom," Harris said. "I knew he loves to dance so I thought he would have fun."

"I let Meranda take Kyle because it was her senior year and she really wanted to take him," Hoffart said.

Getting to go to Prom was exciting for Beck. He was tired after Prom from all the dancing, he said.

Shorma took Special Education student Meredith Cummings to Prom.

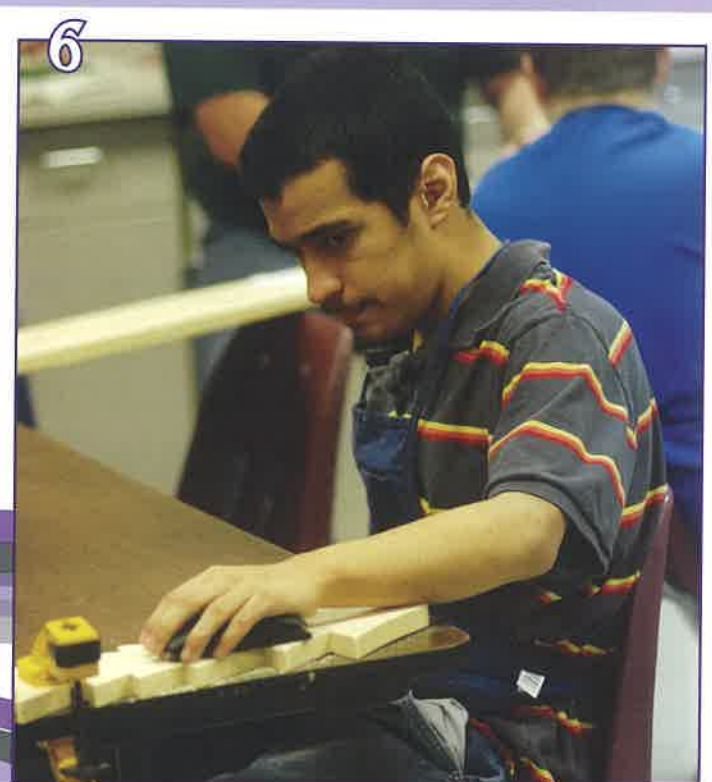
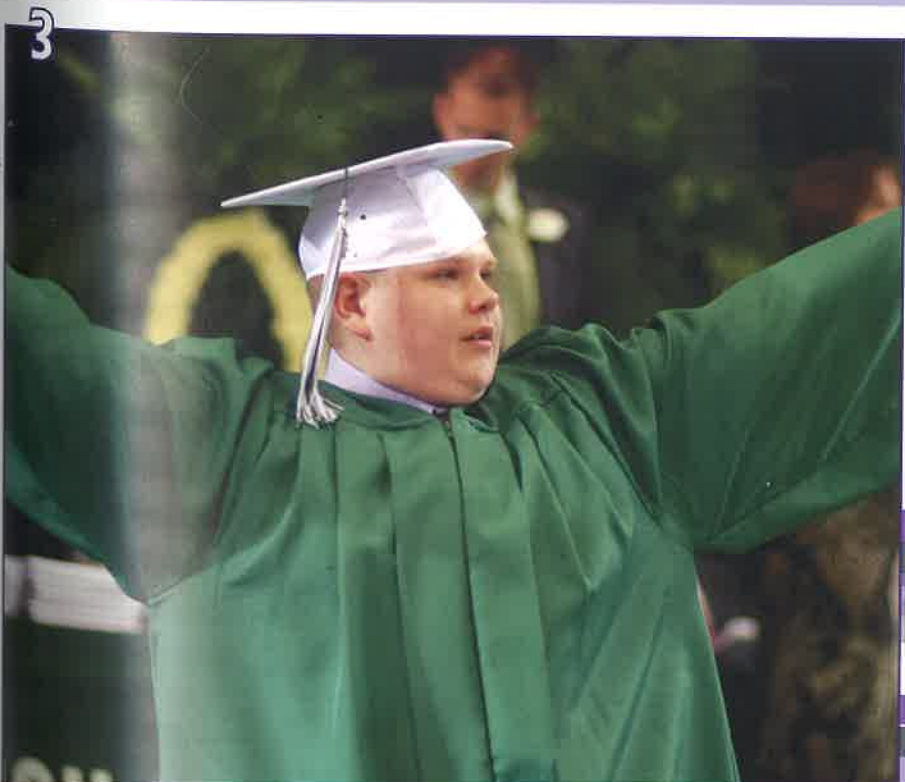
"Her sister picked her out flowers that matched my dress for Meredith to wear," Shorma said.

The girls were happy they got to go to Prom with the students. More students are following in these footsteps of getting involved by helping special education students. Hoffart is excited to see more students getting involved.

"The helpers are the other half of the students that help them out in everyday life," Hoffart said.



1. **WITH THEIR HANDS IN THE AIR**, senior Kayla Miller and Kyle Beck dance to the Prom dance music. (Photo by Devon Carvic) 2. **SMILING AS HE WORKS**, Jonathan Snead works on building a Christmas tree project. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) 3. **AFTER RECEIVING HIS DIPLOMA**, Michael Howlett turns to the crowd for some cheers. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 4. **WATCHING FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS**, special education teacher Suellyn Hoffart sits with Kyle Beck and Nathaniel Schendel as they perform for the crowd at the Holiday Band Concert. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) 5. **SWINGING AT THE CAR** during the Key Club Car Smash. Dustin Kjos prepares to smash in part of the hood. (Photo by Averi Cossette) 6. **PREPARING TO SELL CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS**, Alex Contreras sands the wood on his Christmas tree. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer)





1. During the Faculty versus Students volleyball game, West Fargo teachers cheer with each other after a success. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 2. Cheering on their fellow classmates, senior Madison Anderson and junior Nicholas Staska show their school spirit through their signs and choice of clothing for the state basketball. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 3. During the girls state hockey tournament, West Fargo students dress up in support of their team. (Photo by Brooke Yochim) 4. Cheering on the girls basketball team, seniors Ross Montgomery, Madison Anderson, Charlie Luong and Tiffanie Wold support their classmates. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 5. West Fargo students encourage the football team with their spirit fingers for the kick-off. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 6. A float at the West Fest parade sports the high school's logo to boost the community's feelings for the school. (Photo by Victoria Hackett) 7. West Fargo girls show their support for the football team by sporting the player's jerseys. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

Students Struggle to Show Spirit

Improving what really matters

School spirit should not be a problem in a big school like West Fargo High, but even the students have been noticing the deficiency. Student Council members are always trying to get their classmates to participate in the school's activities.

"To me I think we have the least school spirit of all the schools," junior Megan Turner said.

Not everyone has been contributing to the fun activities organizations have offered students, but the ones who do bring out the best in it.

"We have a core group of kids that definitely have the school spirit in them, but it goes different ways between the students," Assistant Principal Cory Steiner said.

Students are informed ahead of time so they are prepared for what will be going on during the season or school spirit week. Student Council members always announce what will be going on during homeroom and make large posters to hang up in the commons for everyone to see.

"There are some days when our spirit is higher, like when we play big schools like South, but on normal days it usually sucks,"

senior Rebecca Capouch said.

Some students try to have fun and show their teammates or friends what their school means to them. They get together before games and all dress up alike. Students have more fun with school spirit this way. Students want to show the other schools that they are better so the students try to get extra hyped for the games against rivalry schools.

"We have thought of some other ideas to get kids to join in the activities, so we will have to see how they work out," sophomore Matt Prochniak said. "When you walk through the halls you can notice that the students are having fun dressing up."

Student Council members are trying to improve school spirit by having more theme weeks.



They even got more students and teachers into it. They have noticed that more kids are joining in on the spirit weeks and dressing in their packer clothing at games.

"I've definitely seen an improvement from over the years," Steiner said.

Jessica Schmatz
Jessica Schmatz



Spirit Comparison

	Most memorable event	Best turnout	Biggest increase in support	What to make better next year
 Social Studies teacher Jim Jonas	State basketball and football play-offs	Homecoming	Always had same support because it's a big school	Update facility, have green grass on the field
 Junior Christopher Krick	Winning the basketball EDC championship	Homecoming	Boys and girls hockey	Get more people to lead in spirit





Recording Process

1. Write a song



2. Practice it

3. Sing it for audiences

4. Record it



5. Burn it to a CD



1. **PRACTICING HIS PIANO**, senior Ryan Olien plays intensely during study hall. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 2. **STRUMMING HIS GUITAR**, sophomore Spencer Miller plays for the class after finishing with finals. (Photo by Samantha Nelson) 3. **PERFORMING DURING LUNCH**, junior Blake Marrow sings a song to entertain the students while they eat. (Photo by Aren Cossette) 4. **SHARING THE MICROPHONE**, seniors Dillon Knight and Brandon Tveito perform for the crowd with style at the talent show. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 5. **GIVING A LITTLE SHOW**, junior Steven Slocum plays his guitar on the front lawn of the school for students. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)

MUSICAL AMBITIONS SHINE THROUGH

Students debut music

Backstage of the theater before the first act of Student Council's talent show, minds were racing about the upcoming performance. Junior Steven Slocum had just decided to enter into the talent show with junior Blake Marrow one day before the auditions. With the luck of the draw, they were chosen to go onstage first.

After a long day of tense nerves, it was finally time for his first stage performance in front of his peers. With only one thought in mind, Slocum was there to give his all. While he finished singing the song "What is Love" by Nevershoutnever, he became overjoyed as the crowd applauded and cheered him on. The rush the audience gave him is the reason he wants to continue performing the rest of his life.

Wanting to perform their talents is shared with other students as well. Senior Ryan Olien wrote what he considers his first well-written song, "I Can't Breathe", which he wrote about a break up in August.

"I'm terrible at letting my true feelings out and writing lyrics always helped me get my thoughts out," Olien said. "Often I'll just write a couple of lines when I'm feeling something really strong, but generally I don't publish those lyrics."

Olien has been trying to write on and off for a couple of years and has learned to compose music along with his piano.

Senior Brandon Tveito, of the band "Odd Man Out", started playing piano in the first grade, but has been in love with music for as long as he can remember.

"It allows me to express my inner feelings," Tveito said. "(It's) more or less my deep passion for music."

The students' dedication to their music has caused them to expand their horizons from just the school and out to other listeners.

Slocum, who goes by the artist name of "Color Out Loud", is working on a four-song EP, a disc that includes more than a single, but is too short

to qualify as a CD.

"I will be producing in the Cities at the end of May," Slocum said.

While Slocum is towards the beginning of the process, Olien and Tveito (with "Odd Man Out") have CD's that will be finished by the end of May.

To further their future with music, each hopes to get their voice out to more than West Fargo over the summer break.

"I will do more performing this summer," Olien said. "I feel like I just have to have the right person hear me."

As Olien looks for more people to hear his talent, Slocum uses his previous connections from friends of his hometown, Grand Rapids, Minn., who are also in their own bands. He plans on touring Minnesota with them.

"I've known the members of those bands since I was six," Slocum said. "Their styles of music are very different from mine, but we get along well and joke and love music, so we figured it would be a good way to get our music going and have a good time doing it."

Sitting backstage at the talent show, Slocum was impressed with everyone's performances throughout the night, which included Olien and "Odd Man Out". When time came to announce the winners of the talent show, the three of them walked to the stage having no idea that they would all be placing. Slocum's performance with Marrow received third place, Olien's song "Amazing", took second, while Tveito with "Odd Man Out" received first place and followed up with an encore.

Katie Birrenkott
Katie Birrenkott

King Lot Causes Problems Promotes safe driving

West Fargo High, parking spaces are at a premium. With parking blocks away from the school or trying to squeeze into car accidents are bound to occur.

Alex Kuchta hit a car in the parking lot one morning.

"I was trying to pick up a friend for school and was running late, my car was a little small so I thought I could fit," Kuchta said.

The ratio of students to parking spaces is not equivalent. It is very difficult to find a parking space in the lot because of the lack of available space, and due to the number of accidents occurring when trying to squeeze your car into a space. "I recently got my license but I still walk to school," Diede said. "It's stressful and is less dangerous."

Against the madness of the crowded parking lot, DECA has launched a "Click it Quick" campaign to promote driving safety. The purpose of the campaign is Marketing teacher Jenna Skaff. She is having classes handed out window clings to cars and writing coupons for various businesses to try to receive coupons to give incentive for wearing their seatbelts.

"It is a great program that makes students aware of the importance of driving without a seatbelt," Skaff said.

Jordan Reznecheck got a chance to write a letter to the Student Government, and to hand out coupons to students driving home if they were wearing their seatbelts afterschool.

"It's fun to write a letter," Reznecheck said. "It made me feel like I was helping out and giving students a reward for wearing seatbelts."

Students believe the "Click it Quick" campaign may help promote driving safety, but will not help with the issue of the limited parking lot.

The campaign may work to help people buckle up, but I feel like I should just buckle up for the coupons," Kuchta said.

"I'm excited because of the students getting rewarded for their safe driving and I hope to continue and help reduce the amount of parking lot issues."

Nicole Eisenzimmer
Nicole Eisenzimmer



1. **WALKING BACK INTO SCHOOL** after monitoring the parking lot for Click it Quick, the DECA team goes back to their classroom to regroup before the next shift of handing out stickers and coupons. (Photo by Devon Cavic) 2. **PARKED ON SOMMERSET AVENUE** down the block from the school, cars are lined up of students who have to walk due to the lack of parking. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 3. **CLICK IT QUICK IS DISPLAYED** around the entire school from teachers doors to the hallways and in the lunchroom. (Photo by Devon Cavic) 4. **TARGETING AN UNEXPECTED TRUCK** junior Courtney Neuleib and senior Jordan Reznecheck give the passenger a reward for wearing his seatbelt. (Photo by Devon Cavic) 5. **AS PART OF THE CLICK IT QUICK CAMPAIGN**, sophomore Samantha Nelson hands junior Aaron Waite a coupon. 6. **REACHING UP TO GIVE THE STUDENTS THEIR REWARD**, senior Victoria Hackett hands the safely belted students their coupons. (Photo by Devon Cavic) 7. **PRaising STUDENTS WHO WEAR THEIR SEATBELTS**, School Resource Officer Todd Pearson rewards them with prizes like footballs and coupons for local restaurants. (Photo by Amy Matzke)



<p>Caused an accident</p> <p>Boys vs. Girls</p> <p>16</p>	<p>OR</p> <p>victim of an accident</p> <p>Boys vs. Girls</p> <p>22</p>	<p>100 students polled</p> <p>16</p> <p>11</p>
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STUDENT PARKING LOT OPINIONS



Gailyn Affield
senior

"[The parking lot] is crowded and I think a lot of people are too lazy to get here on time to get a spot."

"I think we should have parking passes and seniors should have seniority and whatever is left goes to everyone else."



Callie Grothorn
junior



Preparing Students of High School

Immersion Center helps establish learning skills

Unaware to their surroundings, students new to the country are placed in the ELL Immersion Center at Westside Elementary before being placed in high school. When first arriving in the United States, these ELL students do not speak English. The ELL Immersion Center is where they are taught the customs and basic skills. It offers language, vocabulary, reading, writing, and an introduction to a school environment. ELL Immersion Center teacher Beth Deal gives the students who first enter the district the chance to develop a better understanding of the school environment.

When they first came to the United States, they come here [ELL Immersion Center]. Deal said. "They get all the language that they need before they go to high school classes."

This year, ELL Immersion Center has shown improvements with the help of Assistant Principal Cory Steiner who has noticed enhancements in the students' knowledge after being enrolled at the Immersion Center. "There has been a significantly marked improvement of the students," Deal said. "They would come into the school not having any background at all in learning how to speak English."

More Otaveya Yousif was enrolled at the ELL Immersion Center for her first year before coming to the high school second semester. She came to the United States from Iraq, where she was previously taking an English class.

"I had a little bit of English from a class in Iraq," Yousif said. "So the Immersion Center helped me improve my English and identifying objects. When I came from Iraq, coming into a new country and school district, the school and the environment were all so different."

Students get a chance to really feel the whole school thing out," Deal said. "It helps them get comfortable with it before they get busy and thrown into a new environment."

What does high school going to be like when joining so many new people? Yousif said. "If I did not get to go to the Immersion Center, I would just go right into high school it would have been a lot harder for me to learn everything."

The ELL Immersion Center focuses on getting students ready for high school classes. When they have the chance to learn the basics, it helps alleviate the stress of high school.

"I want them to be successful starting a class," Deal said. "And not come to high school and not knowing anything."

Samantha Nelson
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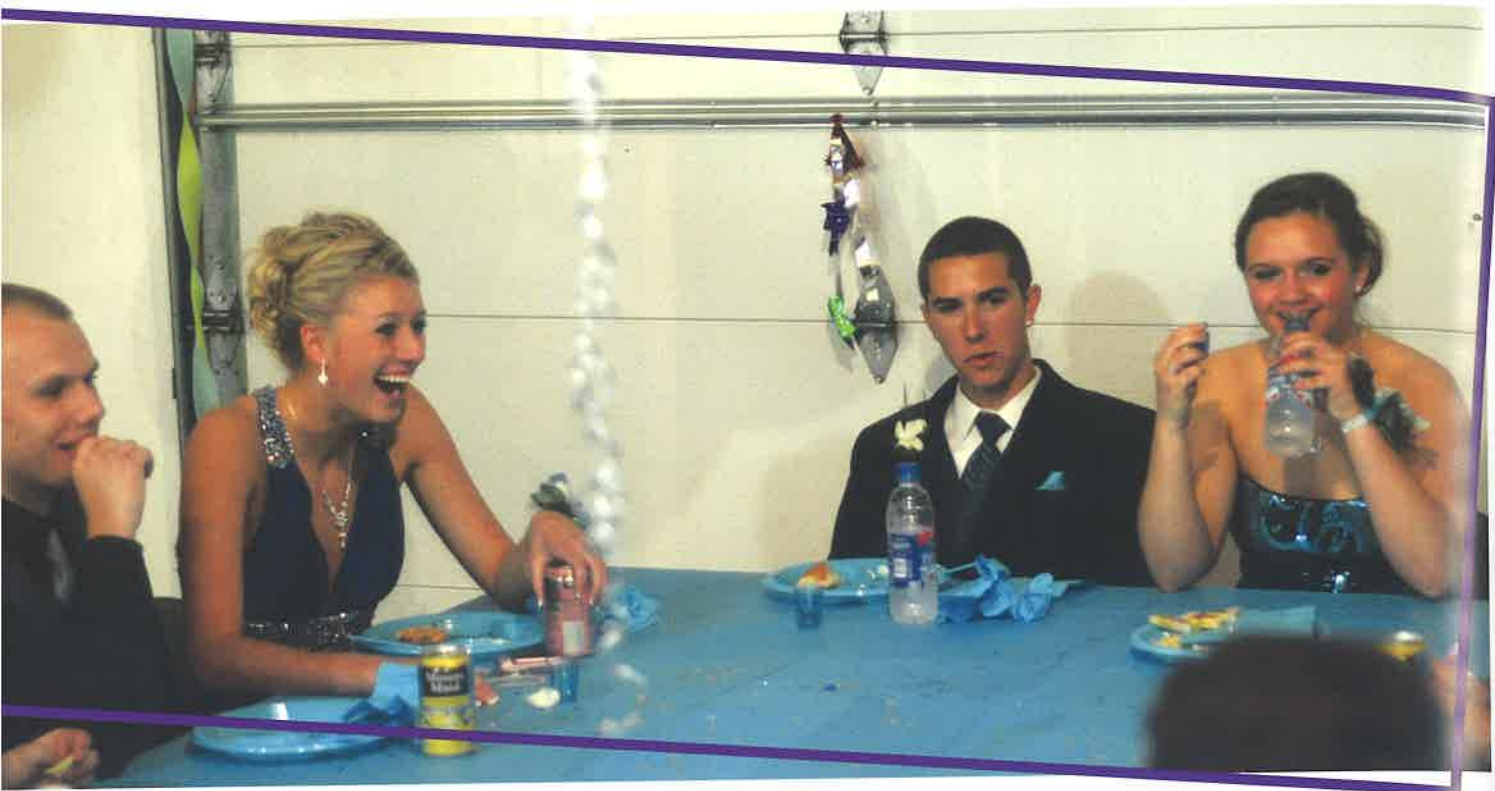


How Many Languages Can You Speak?

Five	 Otaveya Yousif, sophomore	Arabic, Assyrian, Kurdish, Turkish, English
Four	 Claudine KubWayo, sophomore	Kirundi, Swahili English, French
Five	 Soriba Ndiwopaye, senior	Kirundi, Swahili, French, English, Gihir



1. FOLLOWING ALONG IN GEOGRAPHY, sophomore Bertha Kashindi learns about South Asia. (Photo by Kelsey Daull) **2. WHILE IN MATH CLASS**, sophomore Katro Mahad matches her flashcards to learn her like-terms more efficiently. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **3. READING TO HER GEOGRAPHY CLASS**, junior Alkhamso Isack informs the class about a map on South Asia. (Photo by Kelsey Daull) **4. WORKING HARD ON HER ASSIGNMENT**, sophomore Nsengiyumva Kadada works to finish her Geography assignment. (Photo by Kelsey Daull) **5. GROUPING LIKE TERMS TOGETHER**, sophomore Nuha Najeeb works to perfect her math skills. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **6. PRESENTING GROUP CHAPTER SUMMARY'S FOR READING**, senior Massah Kromah and junior Hari Timsina inform the class about their reading assignment. (Photo by Kelsey Daull) **7. HELPING EACH OTHER OUT**, sophomore...



each others company while finishing their dinner, juniors Nathan Stanzyk, Nicole Eisenzimmer, senior Alexander Erickson and junior Brienne Marthe wait for the group to be taken. (Photo by Devon Cavic) **2. SMILING FOR THE CROWD**, senior Sasha Stiechen walks through Grand March. (Photo by Jordi Braaten) **3. DROPPING IT LOW FOR HIS FRIEND**, senior Cody Erickson drops a low ball during the dance. (Photo by Devon Cavic) **4. ENJOYING A ROUND OF BINGO AT POST PROM**, juniors Brittany Boyer and Sarah Arnold and 2009 graduate Adam Watts wait for their number to be called. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) **5. EARLY IN THE MORNING ON THE DAY OF PROM**, sophomore Chasity Stanzyk gets her makeup done. (Photo by Devon Cavic) **6. WAITING FOR THE DANCE**, junior Josh Hanson and senior Luke Rheume look up after marking their spaces. (Photo by Samantha Nelson) **7. LOOKING WITH A KEEN EYE**, junior Abbey Immer takes her shot during a game of pool at Post Prom. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

TRENDS OVERTURN TRADITIONS

New prom activities start to take place

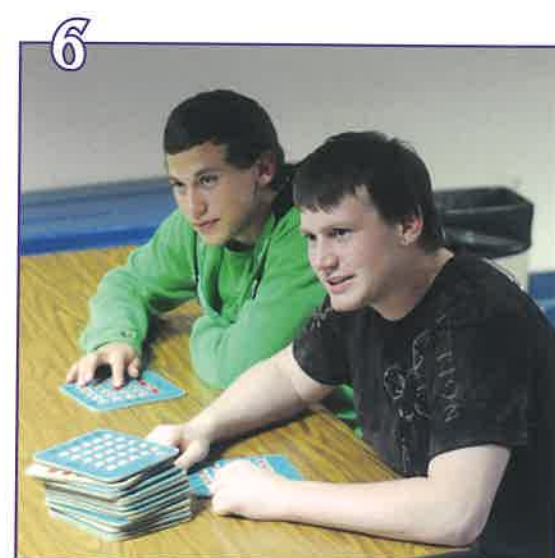
One of the biggest days for most students at West Fargo High School occurs on the first Saturday of May each year. Traditionally, various Prom groups filled with couples gather together to take photos, go out to eat, then head to the high school to get ready for Grand March. However, the trend is starting to fade and people are starting to make their experience more personalized. One of the ways students are doing this is by eating their meal at a group member's home. Senior Amy Doll had a group eat at her home. "We decided to have our group eat at home because it is cheaper and less rushed," Doll said. Sophomore Jadie Barney was also a part of a group who ate at home. "We ate at (sophomore) Madison Schommer's house because all the parents wanted to be there," Barney said. "It worked out better so the parents were able to get lots of photos. I didn't have to worry about taking pictures and rushing to eat at a restaurant." Another benefit to not eating at a restaurant is the groups got to personalize their environment. "We had special cups with leaves, table clothes, flowers, and fine china," Doll said. Not only did the groups get to personalize the setting, but also the type of food.

more fancy meals. Some groups chose to eat less formal foods. "Hamburgers were the main dish at Madison's," Barney said. Not only were groups able to choose the food, but because of the extra time allotted the groups were able to do other activities. "We took some photos and (junior) Mary Gust's house, but then after eating we went and got professional pictures taken," Neuleib said. Another group used the money they saved eating at home towards a different activity before Prom. "A party bus picked us all up and we drove around until Prom," Barney said. "It was lots of fun." Prom groups are beginning to be more diverse in the activities. Whether it be eating at home to save money, or wanting more time to do other fun activities, a change is being made. Having it more personalized is making Prom an even more eventful day for many students. "It was really fun to do things our own way," Neuleib said.

Nicole Eisenzimmer
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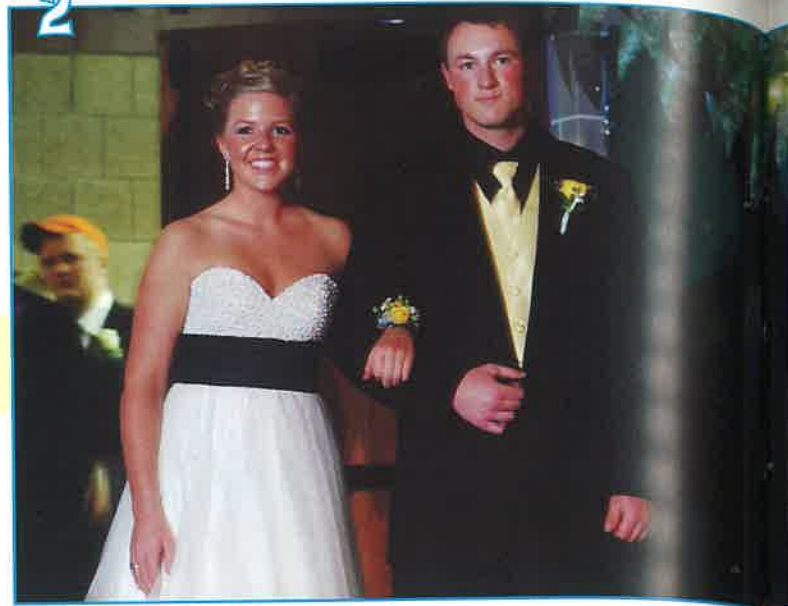
Sara Raugutt

Boys vs Girls Prom day

11:00	Woke up
1:00	Picked up flowers from Sunmart
1:45	Showered and put on suit
2:00	(Senior) Erikka Holmes came over and helped me get ready
2:15	Holmes parents came over and took pictures
3:00	Went to (senior) Landon Knoll's for group photos
4:30	Ate the group meal
5:15	Party bus arrived
6:20	Arrived at the school
7:30	Walked through Grand March
8:45	Went into gym to talk to parents
9:00	Went to the dance
10:15	Left the dance and went home to change clothes

9:00	Woke up and did my sister's hair
10:30	Went to my hair appointment
12:30	Applied make up and glitter
1:15	Helped other friends with their hair and make up
2:00	Went to (WFHS graduate) Kyler Eid's parent's house for photos
2:30	Went to (senior) Jordan Byzewski's house for group photos
3:15	Went back to my house to eat
5:30	Arrived at school
6:20	Walked through Grand March
9:00	Went to the dance
10:45	Left the dance and went home to change clothes
11:15	Went to (senior) Michael Braaten's house





Boys vs Girls

Prom day



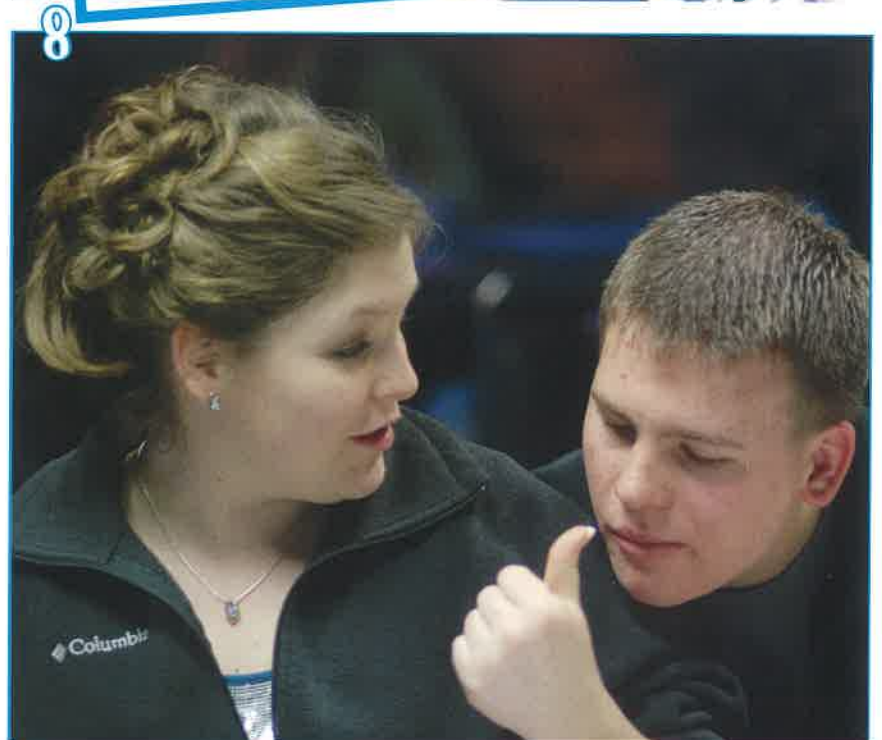
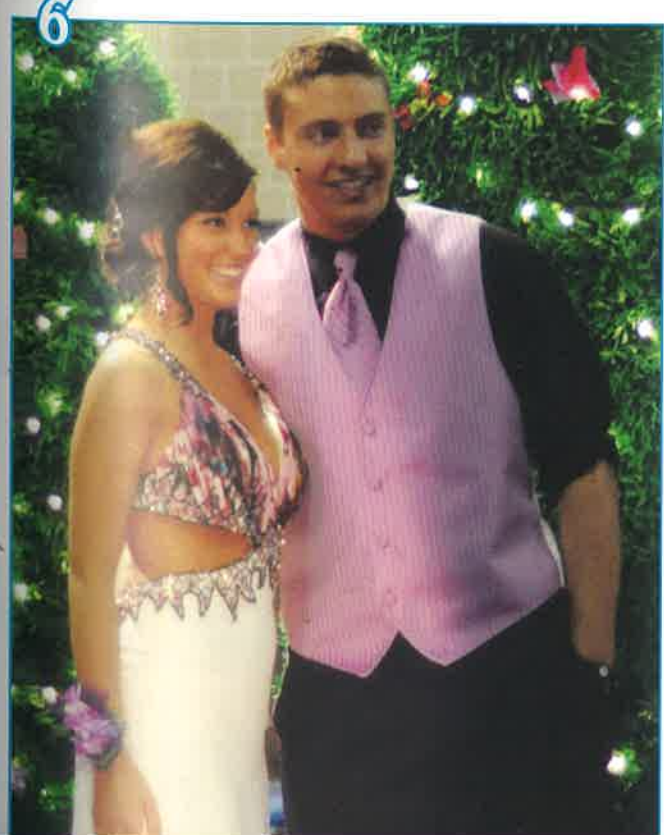
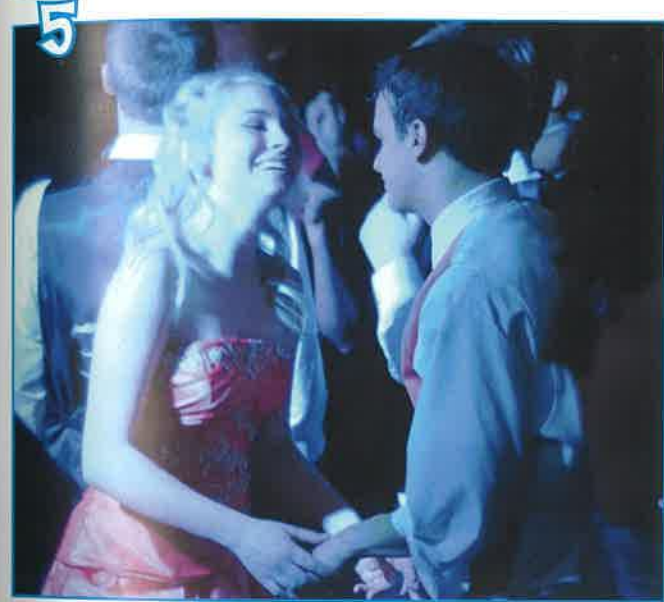
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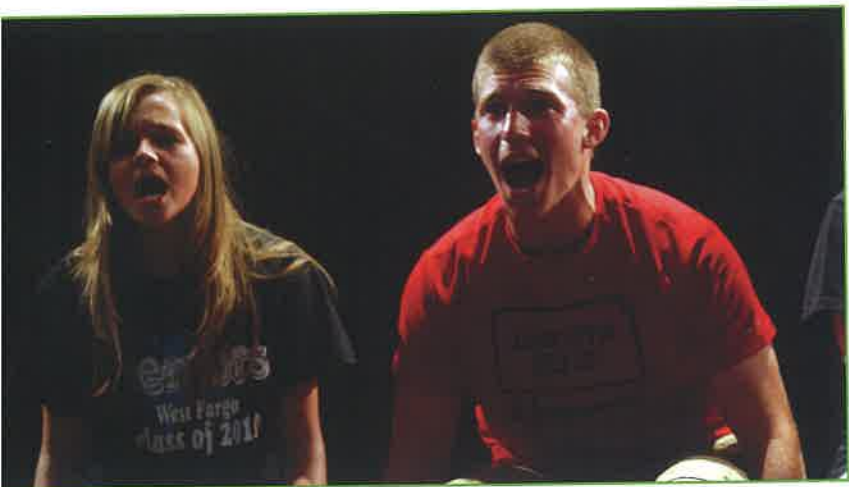
Megan Turner

Woke up
Picked up flowers from Classic Floral
Lunch with family
Put on tux
Took photos with family
Went to (junior) Nicole Eisenzimmer's and took photos
Went to (senior) Johanna Erickson's house for group photos
Dinner at Erickson's
Arrived at the school
Walked through Grand March
Left the dance to go home and change clothes
Arrived at Post Prom

9:30	Woke up
1:30	Hair and make up appointment
3:05	Put my dress on
3:15	Went to (senior) Dillon Knight's for pictures
4:00	Went to (junior) Sierra Senger's for group pictures
5:00	Dinner at Buffalo Wild Wings
6:30	Arrived at the school
7:20	Walked through Grand March
10:45	Left the dance to go home and change clothes
12:00	Went to my cabin



1. WAITING TO WALK THROUGH GRAND MARCH, juniors Samantha Eidenschink and Shane Hillen share a last minute conversation before going through the doors. (Photo by Devon Cavic)
2. GRAND MARCH, senior Meghan Schreier and junior Micheal Spieker prepare for their journey through the fantasy forest. (Photo by Jordi Braaten)
3. GIVING UP ON PULLING THE GARTER, junior Alexander Herzog takes off senior Tiffany Pitterer's garter with his hands. (Photo by Devon Cavic)
4. CATCHING A BREATH OF FRESH AIR, freshman Brenna Raab and junior
 sit in the courtyard and chat during the dance. (Photo by Samantha Nelson)
5. SHAPING A DANCE, seniors Solveig Swanson and Brandon Tveito gaze into each other's eyes. (Photo by
6. POSING FOR A PHOTO, senior Allison Heinen and junior Cameron Holland stand together in front of the Grand March scenery. (Photo by Devon Cavic)
7. AFTER BEING RANDOMLY
 more Tucker Bucholz and juniors Amy Matzke and Cory Koskey go to redeem their prizes. (Photo by Samantha Nelson)
8. TRYING TO MAKE A DECISION, seniors Samantha Pyle and
 n decide which duet to sing together for karaoke at Post Prom. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)



1. HYPNOSIS at Post Grad, seniors Briana Bitterman and Levi Bachmeier yell for their puppy to move out of the way of an oncoming firetruck. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **2. Dodging For** senior Alexander Beckius hides behind a bunker to get away from the opposing team in lazer tag. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **3. DURING the graduation ceremony**, seniors Tyler Baern, Kates and Cassandra Baumgartner throw either caps up with the rest of their class. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) **4. Entering the graduation floor**, senior Megan Sather waves to her family. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **5. REMINISCING the past**, senior Christopher Birrenkott and WFHS 2009 graduate Zachary Cormican flip through an old kindergarten yearbook at Christopher Birrenkott's open house. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **6. SCHOOL board vice president**, Karen Nitzkorski, hands senior Saidu Conteh his diploma. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)



Top five colleges attended next year

1. NDSU-14



3. MSCTC-10

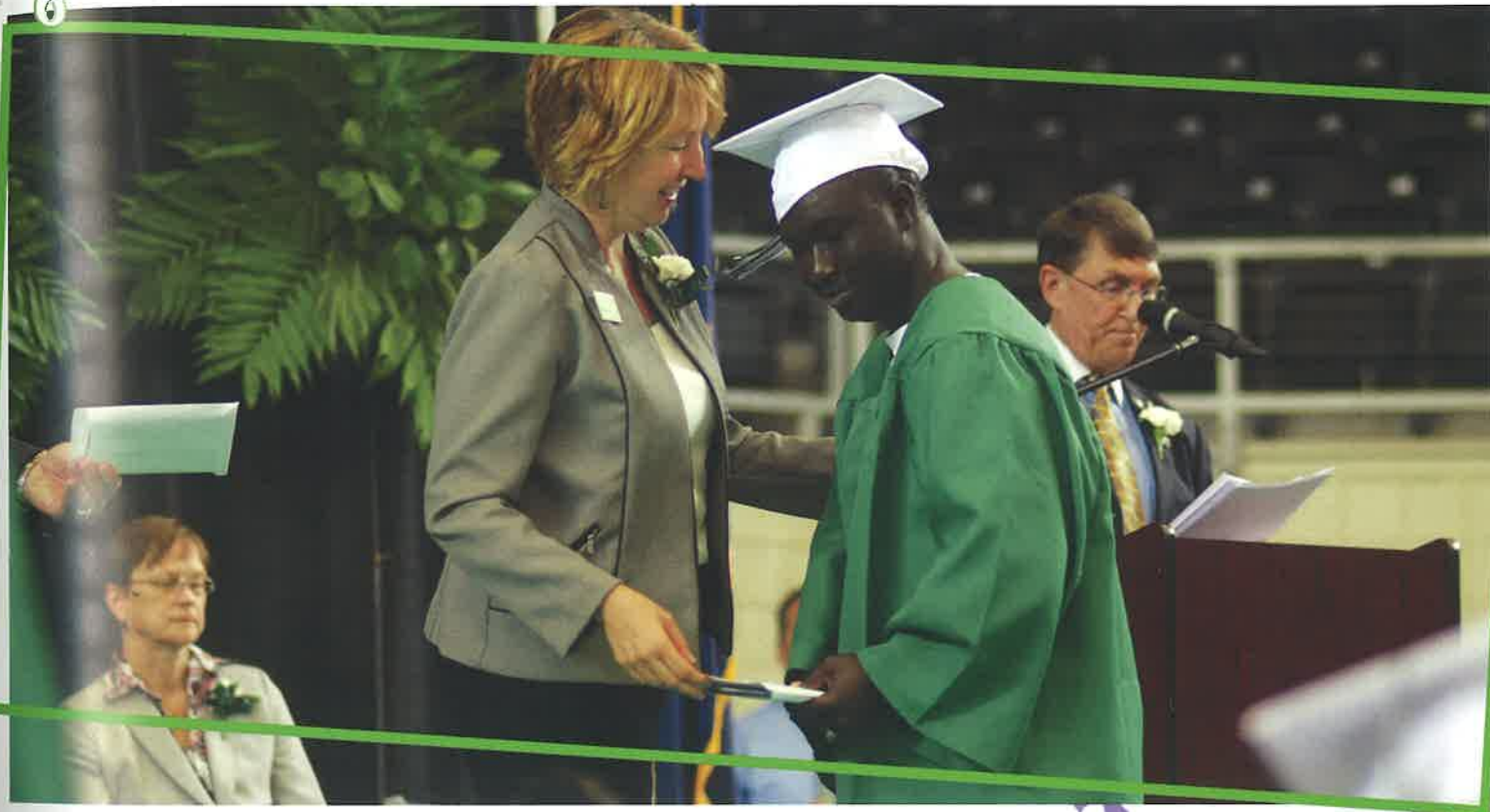
2. MSUM-12

50 seniors polled

5. Concordia-6



4. NDSCS-8



NEW LOCATION BRINGS UPS AND DOWNS

Graduation ceremony moved to Urban Plains Center

This year's seniors were a class with several milestones. They were the last sixth graders in elementary school, last ninth graders in the high school, and first class to sandbag the school. Now they can add another first. They are the first class to graduate at the Urban Plains Center in Fargo.

For the past 20 years, graduation has been held at the Fargo Civic Center in downtown Fargo. The Urban Plains Center seemed to be a positive switch with better technology and space.

"The (Urban Plains) Center was a very nice venue," math teacher Adam Palczewski said. "Everyone had a nice view from where they sat and the sound system sounded great. It was a good place for graduation."

There were more advantages to the Urban Plains Center. The sound quality is newer than the one at the Civic Center with a big screen that allows an up close view of the ceremony. More importantly, more families could come and watch than before.

"I have had a lot of positive feedback. It's a closer location and people were happy about the room and big screens," Principal Gary Clark said. "There was a negative side though; the crowd was more disrespectful than years before and the sound system was a problem, which they said they

They were going to be the first class to have graduation at a new facility like the Urban Plains Center.

The excitement of the new space carried on into the ceremony. When "Pomp and Circumstance" started playing, the graduates walked down the aisle to their seat and some got a feel of how the ceremony would go with the crowd watching.

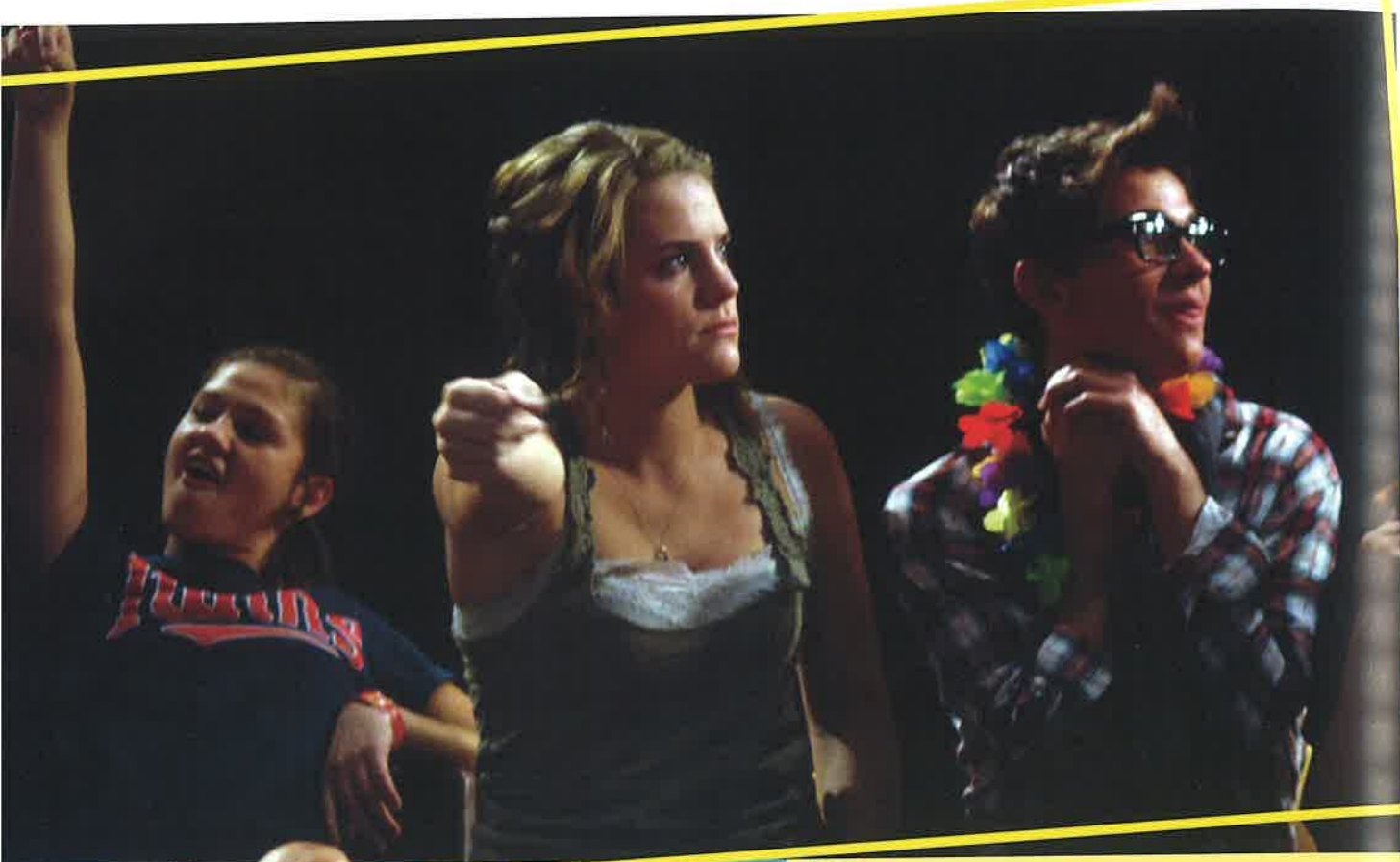
"We started walking through the line and I saw the audience and I got nervous," senior Ryan Seamands said. "While seated I was remembering the things of high school and how I never would be back there again."

After going through the agonizing ceremony, seniors could finally take a breath of relief after receiving their diploma.

"All I could think of after receiving my diploma was that I did it," senior Jennifer Haaland said.

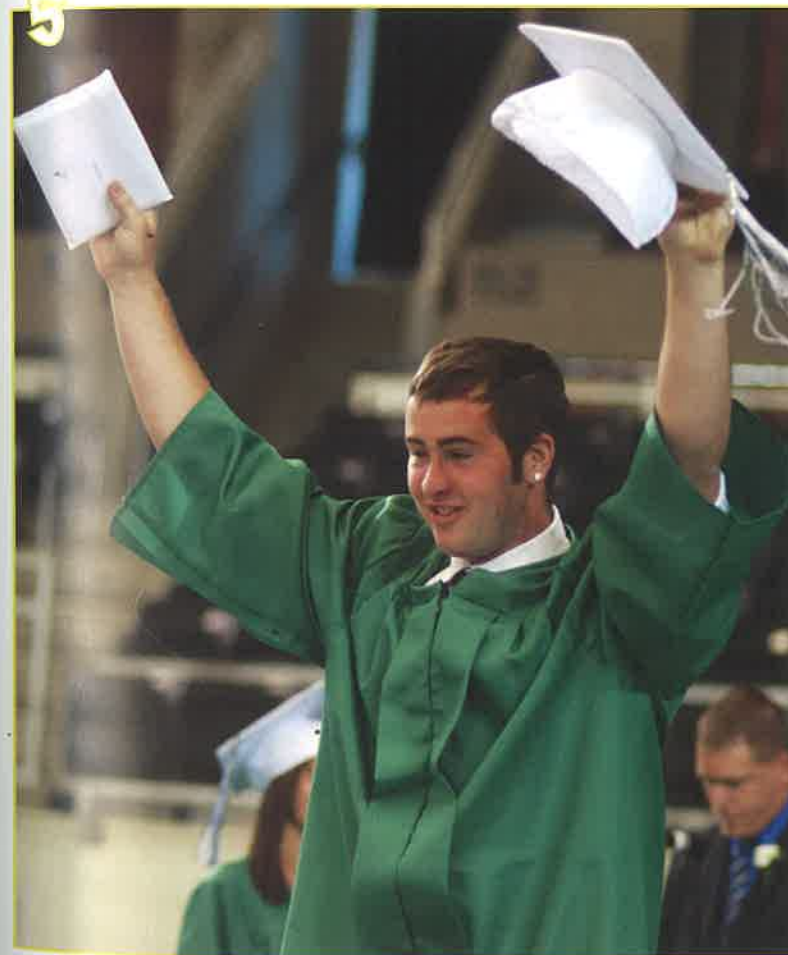
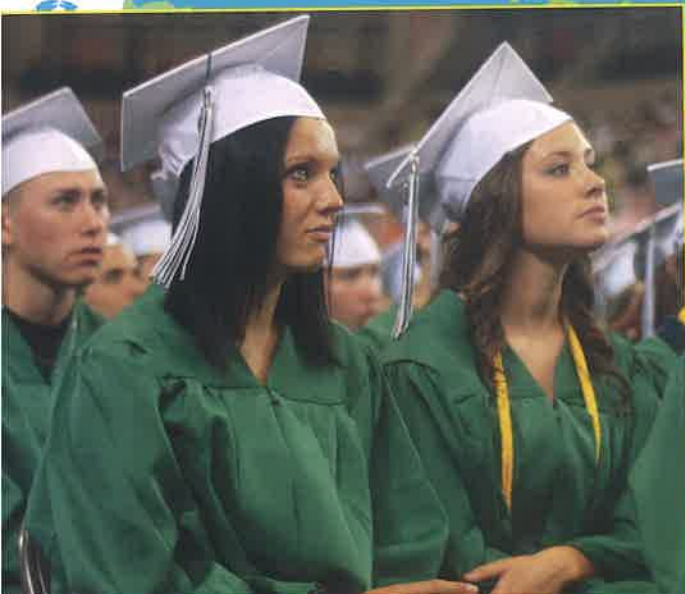
Many students reflected back on their high school memories during the ceremony and how different teachers have helped them through the way.

"I will miss seeing all my friends everyday, all the high school events, school spirit and cheering on my friends at sporting events," senior Chelsey Fenske said.



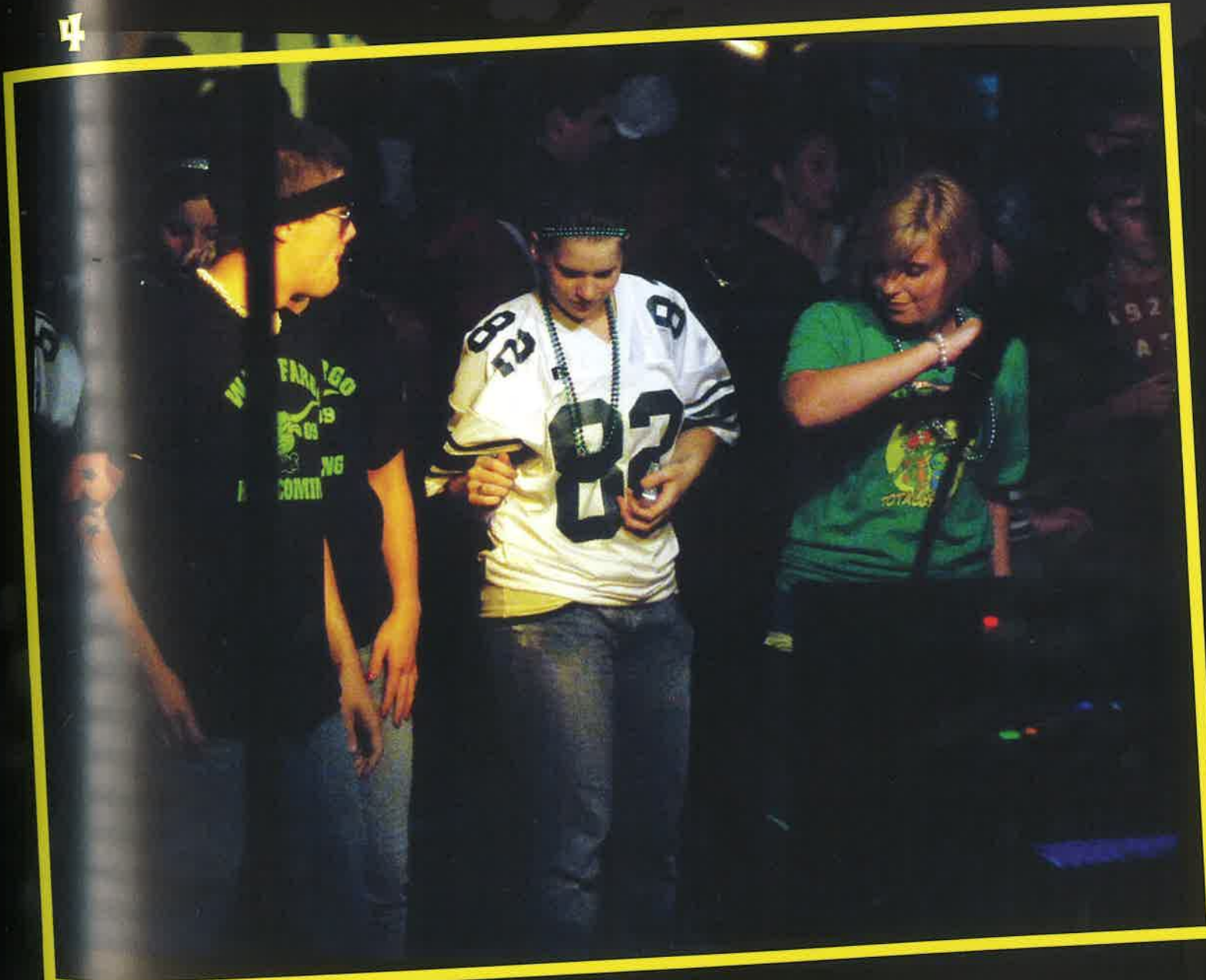
COLLEGE COMPARISSON

Farthest College away	Most years for major	Most unique major	Most common college
Florida	Seven Years, Computer and Electrical Engineering	Culinary Arts	North Dakota State University
Michael Braaten	Melissa Van Cleve	Sarah Vigstol	Taken from poll of 50 students



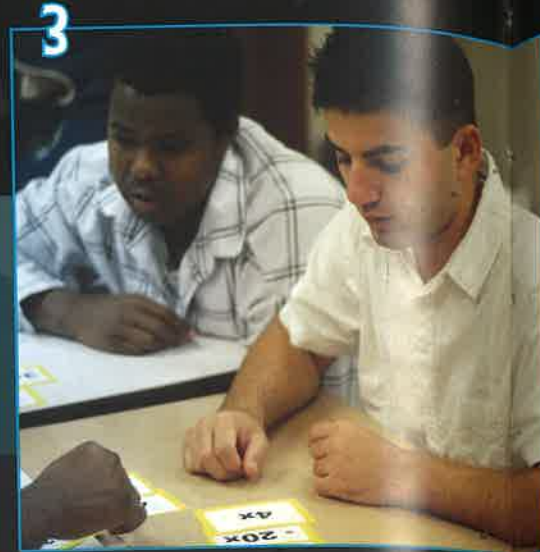
1. AFTER RECEIVING THEIR KEYS TO THEIR NEW AUTOMOBILE, seniors Madison Anderson and Robert Jacobs celebrate while senior Brooke Yochim impatiently waits for her keys while under hypnosis. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 2. AS THE SENIORS SIT AND WATCH THE CEREMONY, senior Ciara Miller tears up while senior Kayla Miller watches intently. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 3. HARMONIZING WITH ONE ANOTHER, senior Laurel Schuessler and WFHS graduate Christopher Parsons sing during Post-Grad. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 4. DEBATING WHETHER TO HIT OR STAY, senior Jordan Laybourn watches the opposing person decide to hit while playing Blackjack. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 5. AFTER RECEIVING HIS DIPLOMA, senior James Sweere puts his diploma and cap in the air to celebrate. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 6. AFTER A CLASSMATE'S SPEECH, the graduating seniors applaud in appreciation. 7. DURING GRADUATION, senior Katelyn Aswege hugs her father and former school board member, Troy Aswege, before accepting her diploma. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)

PEOPLE



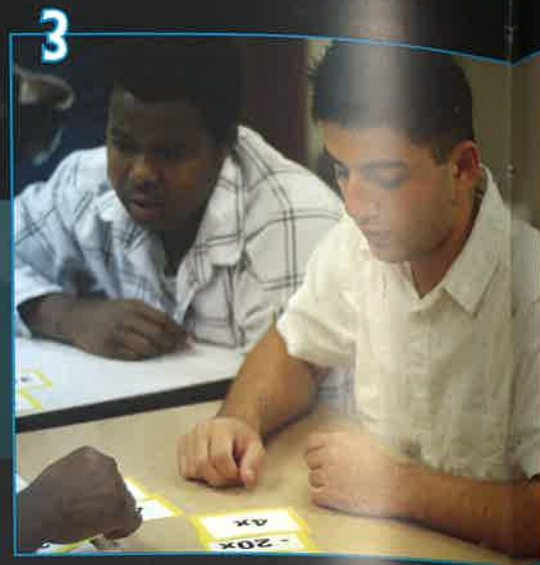
1 ACCOMPANYING THE CHOIR, sophomore Olivia Cox and freshman Rebecca Paul play a Christmas song for the elderly. (Photo by Devon Cavic) **2** HELPING EACH OTHER OUT, seniors James Sweere, Kayla Miller, and Mara Johnson work in a mini assembly line to get their gear tied during karate in Lifetime Activities class. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) **3** THINKING QUICKLY,

Seniors



1. DURING THE TALENT SHOW, senior Ryan Olien sings a song he wrote while playing the piano. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 2. DURING A GAMING CLUB EVENT, senior Mitchell Latimore sits down and plays a turn on XBOX 360. (Photo by Jordi Braaten) 3. GROUPING LIKE TERMS TOGETHER, seniors Fazli Goshi and Abdirashid Aden work together in ELL Math class. (Photo by [unreadable])

Seniors



1. During the Talent Show, senior Ryan Olien sings a song he wrote while playing the piano. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 2. During a Gaming Club event, senior Mitchell Latimore sits down and plays a turn on XBOX 360. (Photo by Jordi Braaten) 3. Grouping like terms together, seniors Fazli Goshi and Abdirashid Aden work together in ELL Math class. (Photo by [unreadable])



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Cody Albert



Brittany Anderson



Elizabeth Anderson



Heather Anderson



Madison Anderson



Megan Anthony



Devin Asleson



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What do you always have with you?

Can you find the matches?



Alexia Werner



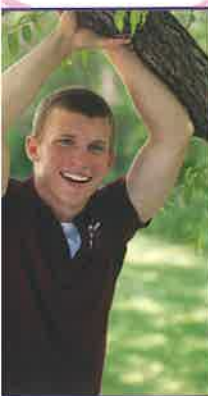
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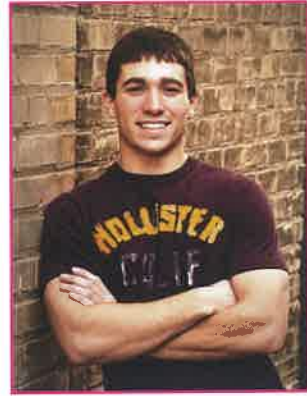
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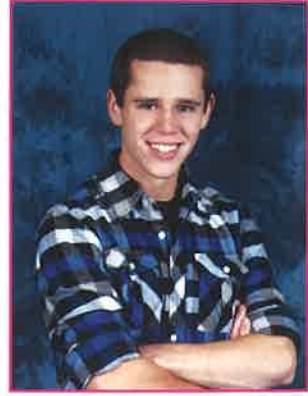
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Jenna Beyers



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Senior Allison Heinen holds the microphone up to English teacher Shawn Krinke for an attempt to measure velocity, senior Ghariba Habib prepares to launch ball during math teacher Maria Pegg's class. While visiting elementary for Spanish IV, senior Alyssa Beckius practices Spanish vocabulary with her buddies by playing games.



Blake Birrenkott



Christopher Birrenkott



Briana Bitterman



Brian Bjerk



Christina Bohn

Getting to Know...

Given a \$1,000 where would you spend it and on what Hunting trip

What is your worst habit not wearing my seat belt

My favorite brand of shoes is Loredo

The one thing I won't eat is Liver

If you could be one age for the rest of your life, what age would it be 21

My most prized possession is my truck and guns

Best gift I have ever received \$25 to Walmart

The best restaurant I have ever eaten at is The outback

The best vacation I have been on is out west because we were hunting.

Andrew Braaten
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Matthew, Maria, and other student names at the bottom of the page.



Jacob BUCHOLZ



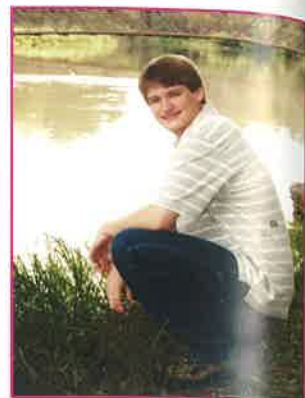
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SEBASTIAN CARCOANA



MERRY CARLBLOM



TARAN CARTONY



ANDRES CASAREZ



WILLIAM CASE



DEAH COLLINS



Thane Hillig and Diane Hahn

MOST LIKELY TO BE AN INVENTOR

DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS OF WHAT TO INVENT?

"A robot puppy security system."

-Thane Hillig

IF YOU WERE TO TAKE CLAIM FOR ANY ALREADY INVENTED ITEM WHAT WOULD IT BE?

"I'd claim the lightbulb because it was actually invented by a Canadian, Henry Woodward, who made the mistake of selling it to Thomas Edison."

-Diane Hahn



1. Getting in the Christmas spirit, senior Ashley Kranda volunteers through NHS to help the South Elementary students shop at Santa's Workshop. (Photo by Katie Birrenbott) 2. DURING THE FALL pep rally, seniors Katherine Roth, Alyssa Beckius, Katelyn Aswege, and Holly Johnson sing "Think of Me" from the "Phantom of the Opera" for the crowd. (Photo by Tiffany Filterer) 3. WHILE WORKING ON DISSECTING HIS CAT in Anatomy, senior Spencer Uetz concentrates on revealing the cat's muscles. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)





Jordan DENIS



Tori Desotel



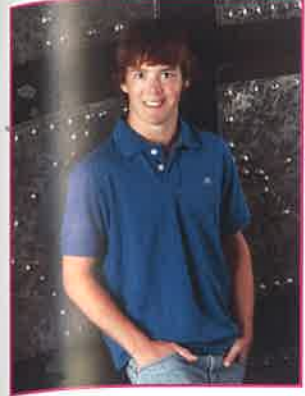
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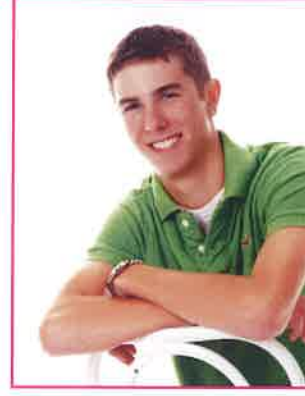
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Emily ERICKSON



Johanna ERICKSON



OFF HIS MUSCLE to the crowd, senior Christopher Williams waits as the judges determine relay races a tie between the juniors and the seniors at the winter pep rally. (Photo by Kelsey Dault)



Adam FAETH



Sean FAUBUSH



Chelsea FENSKE



Brenna FISHER



Tiffany FITTERER



Chelsea Gentzkow and Austin Keller

Most Likely to return as a teacher

Do you think you should have been nominated?

"No, while teaching is a great field, it is not where my interests lie."

-Austin Keller

What do you want to teach?

"Elementary Education or Spanish."

-Chelsea Gentzkow





Brandon Gibson



Justin Gibson



Dustin Gilberts



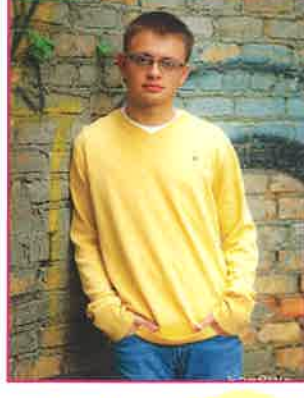
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Corbin Gray



Trista Gray



Jenna Green



Shawn Greenman



Katie Gregor



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Ellie Grooters



Tanner Grosche



Cody Grosz



Top five things to do before graduation

98 seniors polled

1. Pass classes-26

3. Senior Prank- 11

5. Skip a Class-8

2. Find the Right College -14

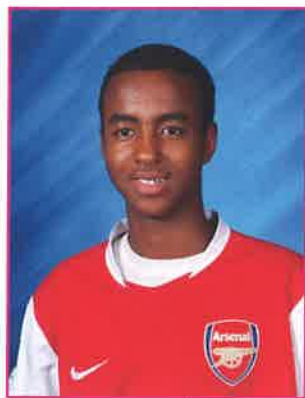
4. Road Trips -9

1. Scooping chocolate out of the bowl, senior Cassandra Pillen makes Special K bars with her group in Independent Living. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 2. Getting a handout, senior Amanda Maddox sits in an Envirathon meeting. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 3. Practicing doing makeup a few days before the big show, senior Jillian Bechtold applies makeup to senior Katelyn Aswege to transform her into her "Cats" character. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)





Briana Hartog



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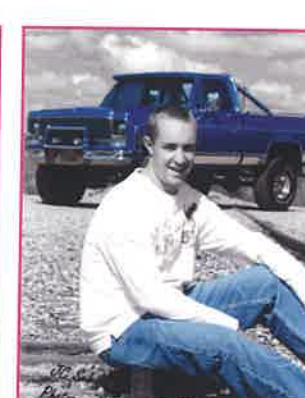
Kayla Hawley



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Brittany Heiden



...NG AWAY DRUNKENLY, senior Laurel Schuessler plays her part well as the drunken maid during performance of "Lucky Stiff". (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 2. REMAINING FOCUSED, seniors Robert and Sarah Vigstol perform in "The Night Fire Drum Line" during halftime of a West Fargo basketball game. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 3. WHIPPING HIS OPPONENT TO THE GROUND, senior Jeffrey ... and takes advantage of the opportunity to take experienced fighter senior Michael Braaten during Marial Arts in Lifetime Activities. (Photo by Cristina Martinez)



Allison Heinen



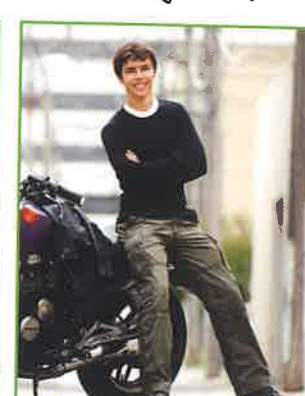
Justin Henderson



Taylor Herk



Mason Herman



Thane Hillig



Vanessa Torvik and Robert Jacobs

Most CLASSY

Why do you THINK people voted YOU CLASSY?

"I try to look my best everyday and treat everyone with respect and kindness and I think thats a very classy way to be."

-Robert Jacobs

Who did you vote For to be MOST CLASSY and WHY?

"Diane Hahn because she is sweet and nice to everyone and carries herself very well and is always respectful."

-Venessa Torvik





Shelby Jacobson
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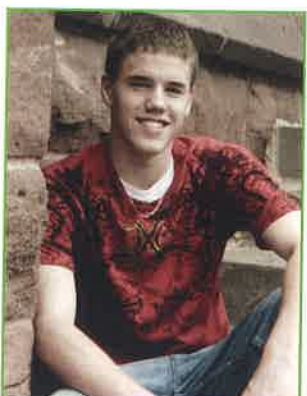
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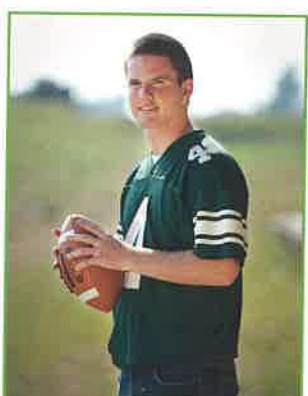
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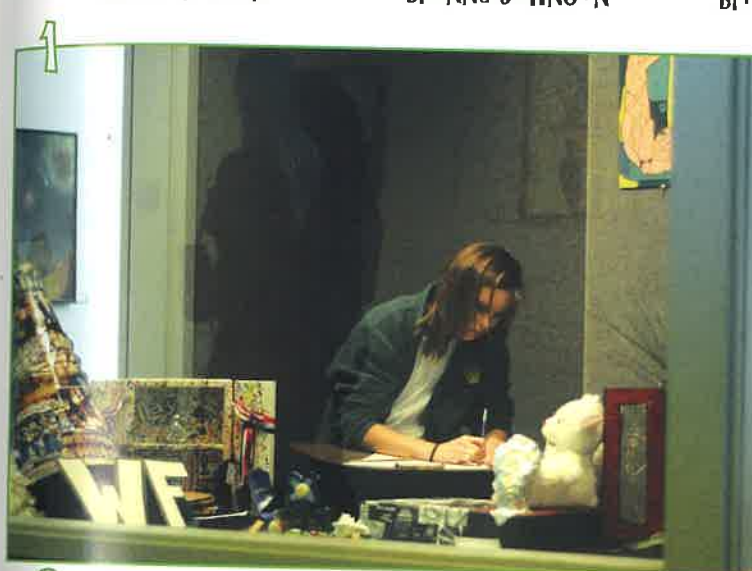
"A friend is someone who understands your past, believes in your future and accepts you just the way you are."
-Chelsey Fenske and Kayla Miller

Besties

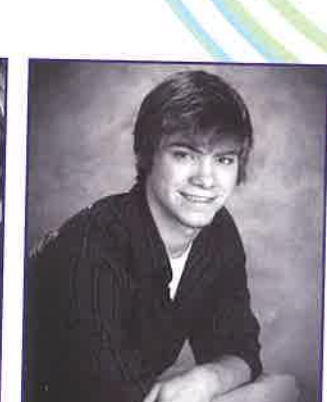
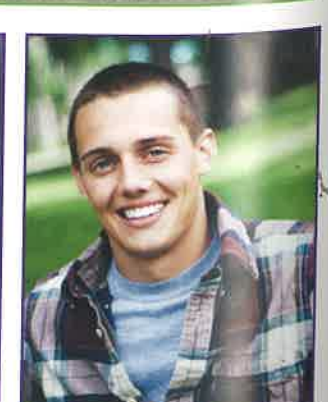
What quote describes your friendship?



"Ride together, die together, best friends for life."
-Mason Herman and Scott Schiller



1. Finding a quiet place to work, senior Meranda Harris works on her project for her drawing class. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) 2. Reacting to the special guest, Hawkeye, senior Ashley Gonzalez leads the preschool children in clapping. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) 3. Consoling each other, seniors Jordyn Byzewski and Holly Johnson act as victims of a bus crash for a CERT demonstration. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)





Issell Koetz



Nicholas Koskey



Ashley Kranda



Alayna Krantz



Carly Kratcha



Mitchell Krauter



Massah Kromah



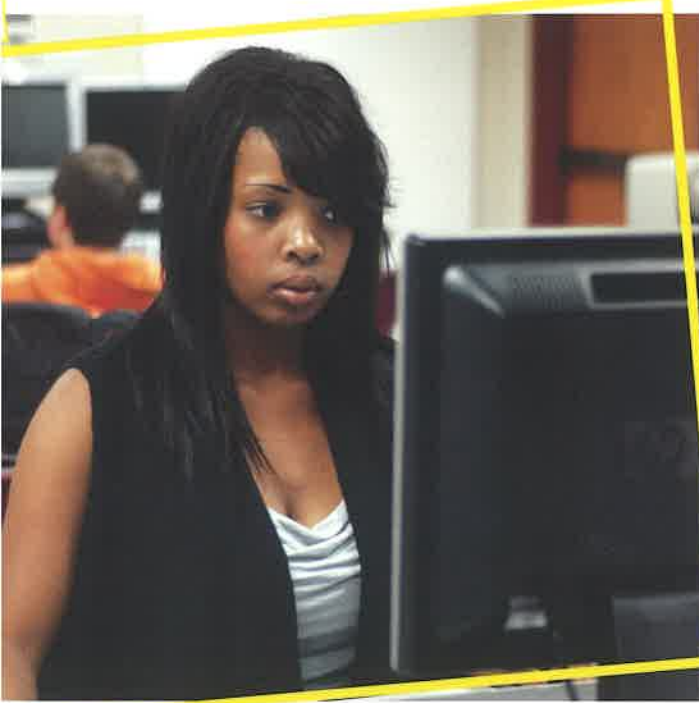
Aaron Krueger



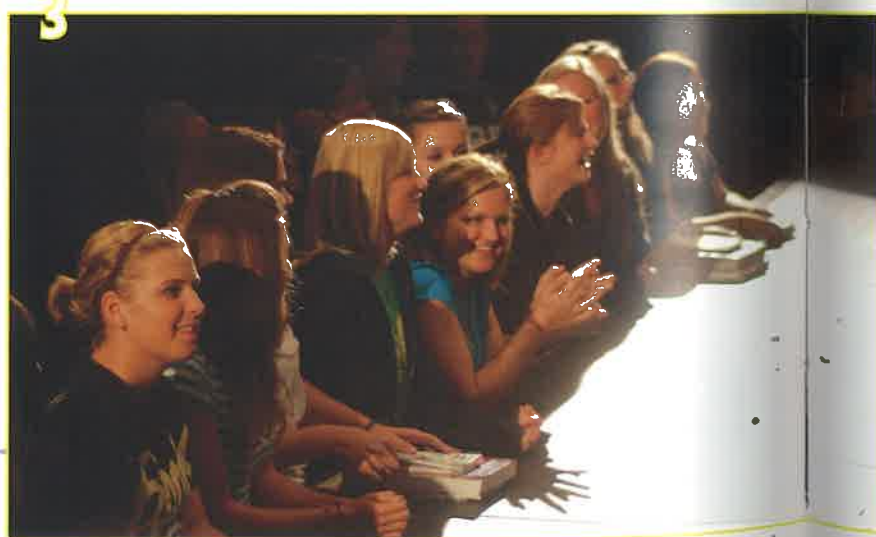
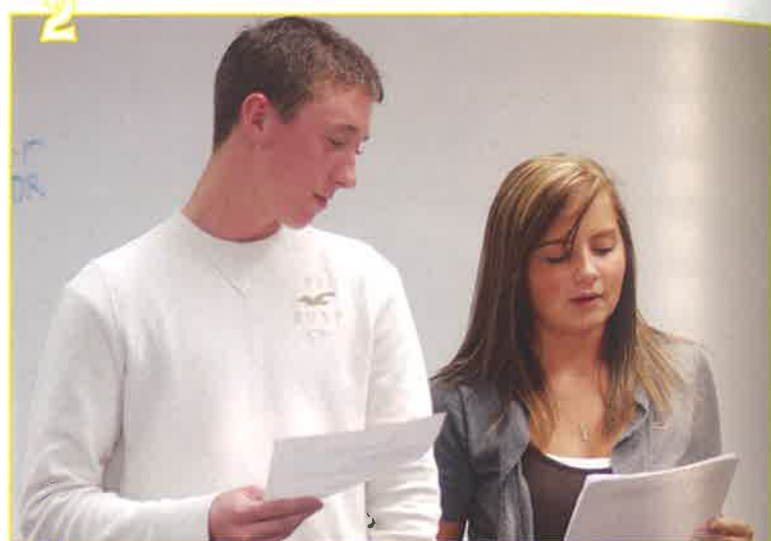
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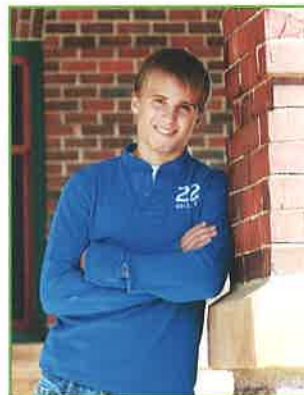
Myla Kulink



WORKING ON HER ASSIGNMENT during Multimedia on Nov. 9th, senior Vanita Gentry is perfecting her photos on Nov. 9th. (Photo by Katie Birenkott) 2. PRESENTING a project, seniors Philip Moltzan and Courtney Summers explain their part of group project on "Dantes Nine Layers of Hell." (Photo by Cassandra Pillen) 3. SUPPORTING LOCAL BAND "Odd Man Out" during a concert in the auditorium, classmates of the members clap and cheer. (Photo by Devon Covic)



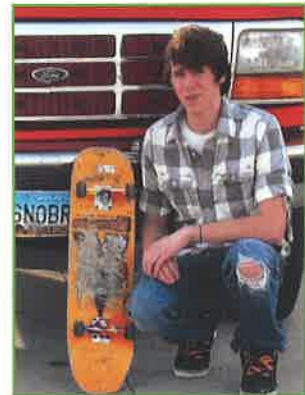
Ahmed Lafta



Jackson Lahren



Christina Lammers



Cody Lancaster



Gregory Larson

Madison Hausauer's
1. Rhonda the Honda



Top five car names

40 seniors polled

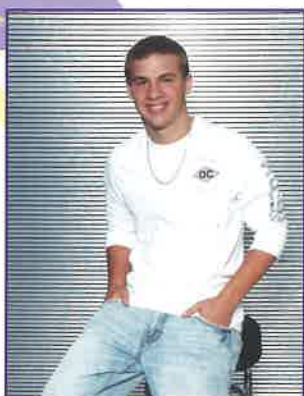
Robbie Jacob's
2. Malibu Barbie

Brenna Fisher's
3. Shanequa

Molly Gusaas's
4. Smurf Mobile

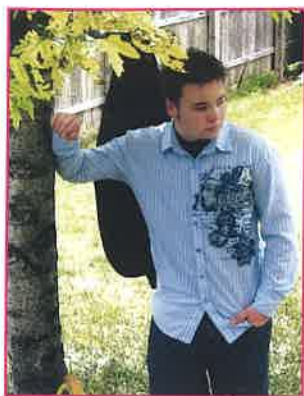


Chelsea Gentzkow's
5. Red Rocket





Alyssa Lind



Tanner Logan



Sheila Loomis



Tia Lopez



Peter Lund



Charlie Luong



Robert Lytle



Jordan Machart



Shandi Mack



Adin MacKovic



Amanda Maddux



Saidali Mahad



Paris Malaterra



Cristina Martinez



Delphine Martinez



Ethan Sorenson and Johanna Erickson

Most Likely to be accepted to HogWarts

What House would you want to be accepted in?

"Gryffindor because they're the best, and they're jocks."

-Ethan Sorenson

What would be the best thing about going to HogWarts?

"Being able to inflate people I don't like."

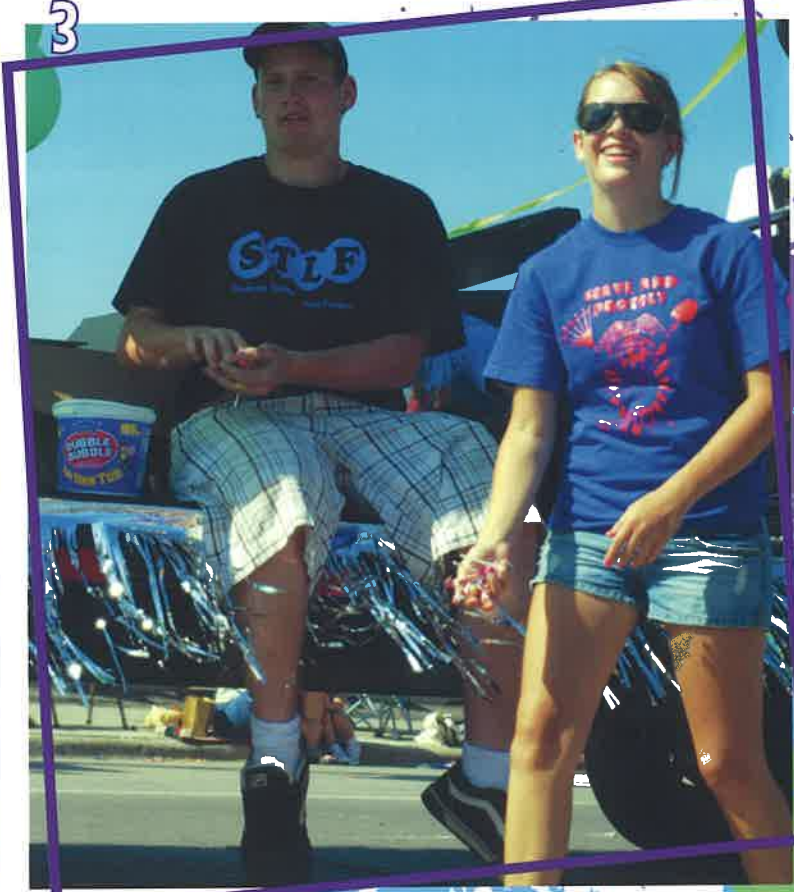
-Johanna Erickson



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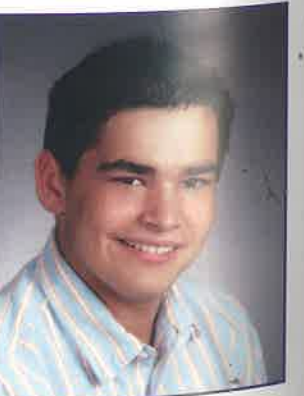


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3

1 Senior Robert Jacobs assists the NDSCS choir while they perform a song from "The Lion King" for West Fargo students. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 2 Ready to release the arrow, senior Jeffrey Ostlund aims for the bullseye during lifetime activities. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 3 During the West Fest Parade seniors Aren Cossette and Luke Rheume throw out candy to the crowd for the STLF float. (Photo by Victoria Hackett)





Laura Mikkelson
Laura Mikkelson



Ciara Miller
Ciara Miller



Ian Miller
Ian Miller



Kayla Miller
Kayla Miller



Kenneth Miller
Kenneth Miller



Logan Miller
Logan Miller



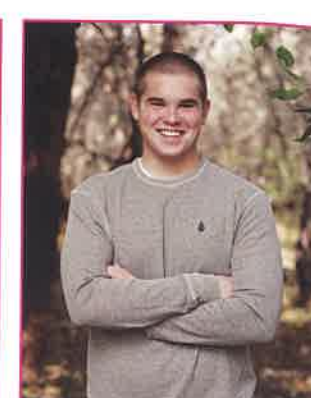
Lucas Mitzel
Lucas Mitzel



Shelby Moen
Shelby Moen



Philip Moltzan
Philip Moltzan



Ross Montgomery
Ross Montgomery



1 After retrieving her MatchMaker results, senior Heather Anderson discusses the boys on her page with junior Jacob Mitzel. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 2 Portraying characters in the fight scene from "Romeo and Juliet", senior Thane Hillig shoots seniors Bryce Jorgenson, Jacob Kiefer and Jared Grindahl as they hide. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)



Jonathan Morken
Jonathan Morken



Tristan Mowery
Tristan Mowery



Katie Myers
Katie Myers



Christopher Nation
Christopher Nation



Kayla NeFzger
Kayla NeFzger



Corbin Gray and Katelyn Gunderson

Most Likely to Spend their paycheck by Sunday

Do you think you should have been nominated?

"Yeah, I suppose I spend my money fast."
-Corbin Gray

What's your favorite thing to buy?

"Nice purses and shoes because they help complete an outfit and can spruce up the classic jeans and t-shirt look."
-Katelyn Gunderson





Ryan OLSON



Jared OLSON



Kayla OLSON



Michael OLSON



Jeffrey OSTLUND



Jessica OTTO



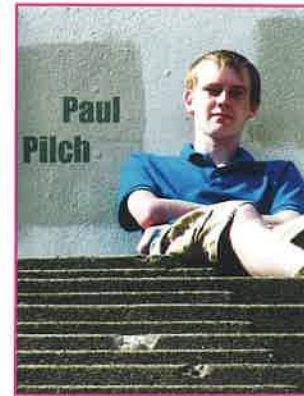
Alice PAULSON



Darac PETERS



Katelyn PETERSON



Paul PILCH



Sandra PILLEEN



Samantha PYLE



Kara RAMSEY



Sara RAUGUTT



Zenala REIDHAMMER

WHAT DO YOU REMEMBER MOST FROM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL?



"...I remember taking cheese from the burgers and bouncing it down the table."

"...We got to drop eggs from the building to see if they would crack in the box."

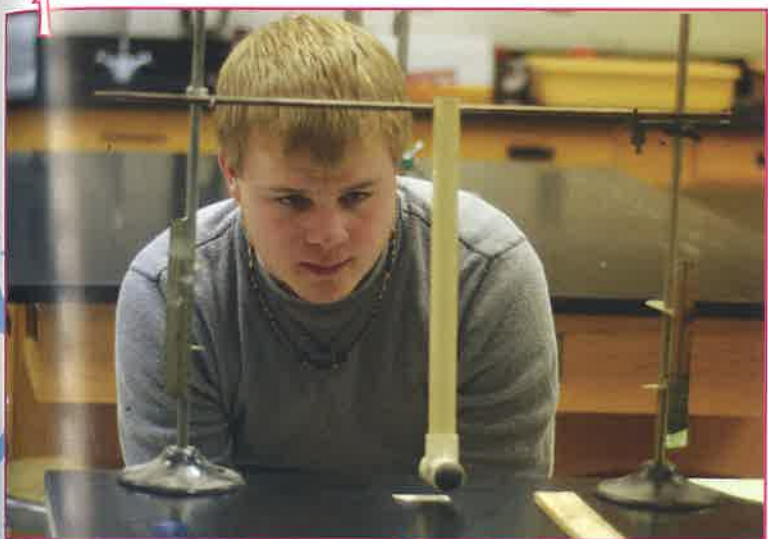


Chelsea Heidstrom



Katelyn Aswege

"...I remember the 'Casey Swings' and the sock hops."



1. WHILE WORKING ON A Lab during Physics, senior Robert Lytle watches his cart roll away. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 2. WHEN PERFORMING FOR PARENTS, preschooler Megan Wold and senior Jenna Beyers dance the chicken dance. (Photo by Katie Birrenbott) 3. DURING a field trip to a nearby river in Environmental Science class, seniors Amy Doll and Alexander Erickson test the oxygen levels in the water by pouring a powder into the vile and shaking it up. (Photo by Cristina Martinez)



Kadir Santur
KADIR SANTUR



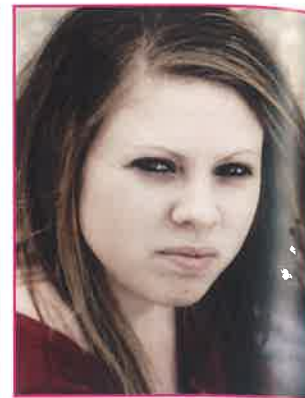
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MALYUN SANTUR



Megan Sather
MEGAN SATHER



Andrea Sattler
ANDREA SATTLER



Taylor Sauvageau
TAYLOR SAUVAGEAU



Ryne Schaeffer
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Cody Schill
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Scott Schiller
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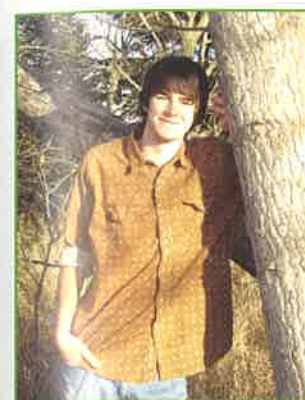
Kolby Schmidt
KOLBY SCHMIDT



Nicole Schmidt
NICOLE SCHMIDT



1. At the Fall pep rally, senior Solweig Swanson acts as a money-crazed woman in "The Lucky" skit. (Photo by Johnanna Erickson)
2. At the Fall pep rally, senior Kayla Miller applies makeup to ton Vane in order to win the competition between Homecoming court members. (Photo by Birrenkott)
3. Before being hypnotized, senior Austin Neu focuses on drawing an picture of the still life on display. (Photo by Cristina Martinez)



Ky Schneider
KY SCHNEIDER



Meghan Schreier
MEGHAN SCHREIER



Laurel Schuessler
LAUREL SCHUESSLER



Ryan Seaman
RYAN SEAMANDS



Natasha Sellheim
NATASHA SELLHEIM



Samantha Pyle and Brandon Tveit

MOST LIKELY TO BURST OUT RANDOMLY IN SONG

What is your favorite song to sing?

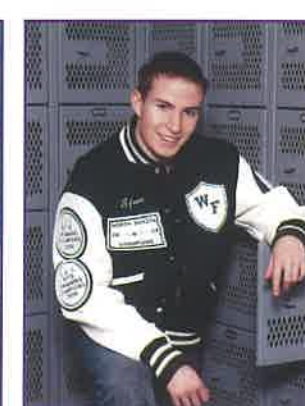
"I have so many influences I don't know where to start; but I'd have to say 'I want it that way' by the Backstreet Boys."

- Brandon Tveit

What is your favorite song to belt out while driving?

"Don't Stop Believing", the Glee Version."

- Samantha Pyle





Peter Slabik



Cody Smith



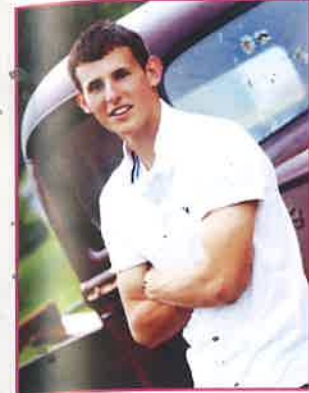
Jonathan Snead



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Ethan Sorenson



Jessica Soucy



Matthew Spadafore



Brittany Spletstaszer



David Staples



Sara Stavedahl



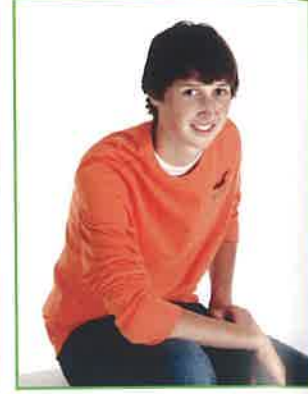
Sasha Steichen



Jared Steinberger



Danielle Strahm



Matthew Strahm



Oscar DeLeon and Emily Erickson

BORN IN THE WRONG DECADE

What decade SHOULD you have been born in?

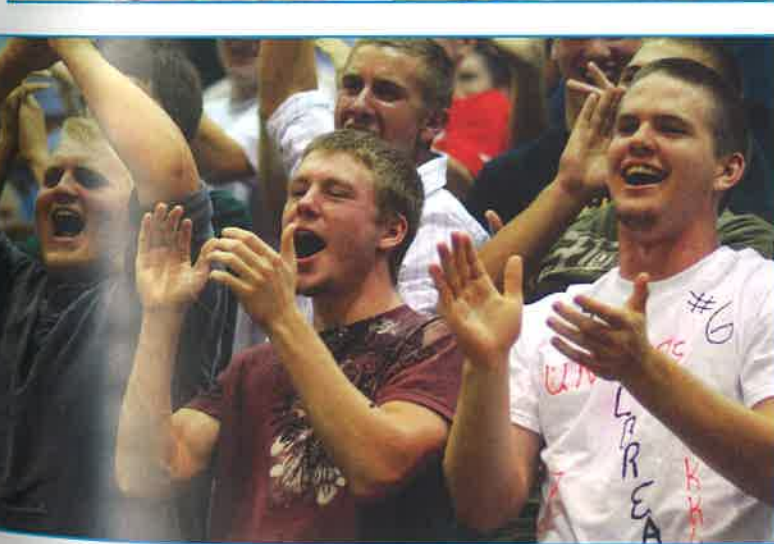
"I should have been born around '64 so I could listen to The Beatles on the radio."

- Oscar DeLeon

What is your Favorite decade?

"The 60's because life was simpler and music was better and I could have went to Woodstock."

- Emily Erickson



1. At the Christmas party for Key Club, senior William Case frosts a cookie for the school custodians as a thank you. (Photo by Katie Burenkott) 2. During the Fall pep rally, seniors Andrew Braaten and Brandon Gibson cheer on the senior Powderpuff team, while senior Bryce Jorgenson supports the juniors theme "Junior Jailbreak." (Photo by Jordi Braaten) 3. Watching as blood is pumped from her arm, senior Brenna Fisher calmly volunteers during the Student Council Blood Drive. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)





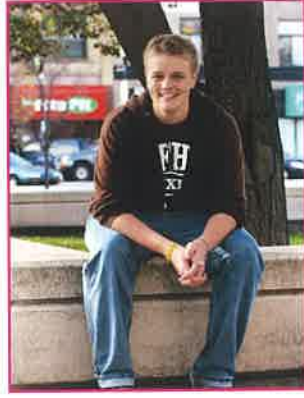
Harry Thornton



Alec Tibbals



Vanessa Torvik



Joseph Trelstad



Guadalupe Trevino



Nathan Trosen



Brandon Tveito



Hope Twitero



Spencer Uetz



Tiffany Utke



Up against the stage, students enjoy the band Odd Man Out during the talent project for the upcoming competition. (Photo by Victoria Hackett) 3. AFTER MAKING their entrance, seniors Krystal McKay, Meranda Harris, and Tiffany Nerud listen to the president talk. (Photo by Katie Bimbenott)



Melissa Van Cleve



Peyton Vane



Andrew Vedquam

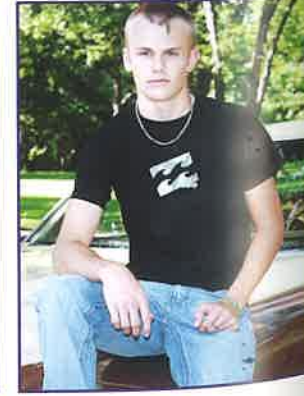
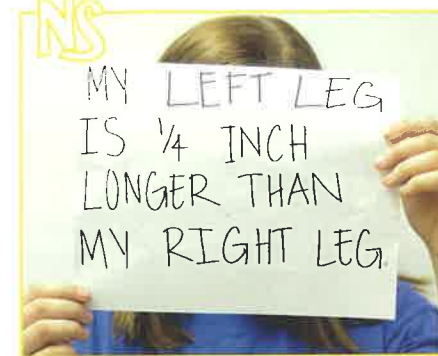
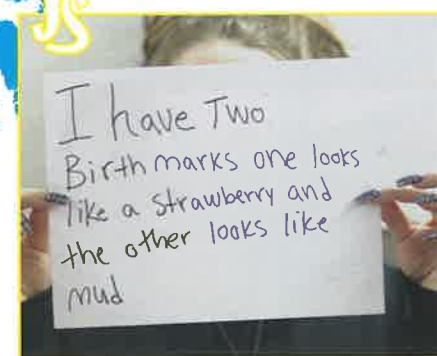
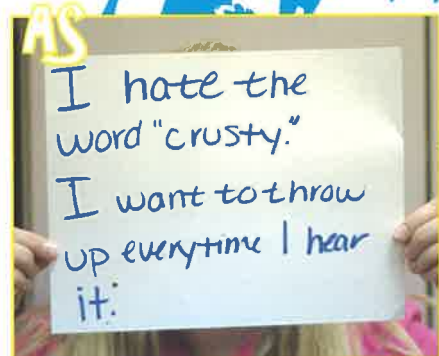


Christopher Vigen



Sarah Vigstol

Card Secrets





Anna Weisbeck



Katie Wendt



Alexia Werner



Allaura West



Aaron Wiersma



Chris Williams



Tody Wilson



Tiffanie Wold



Samantha Wolter



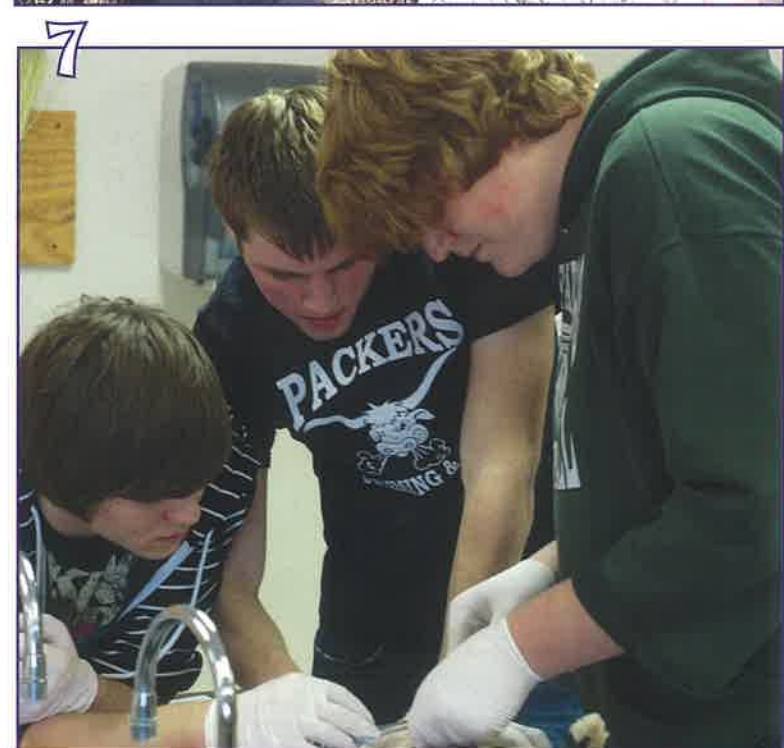
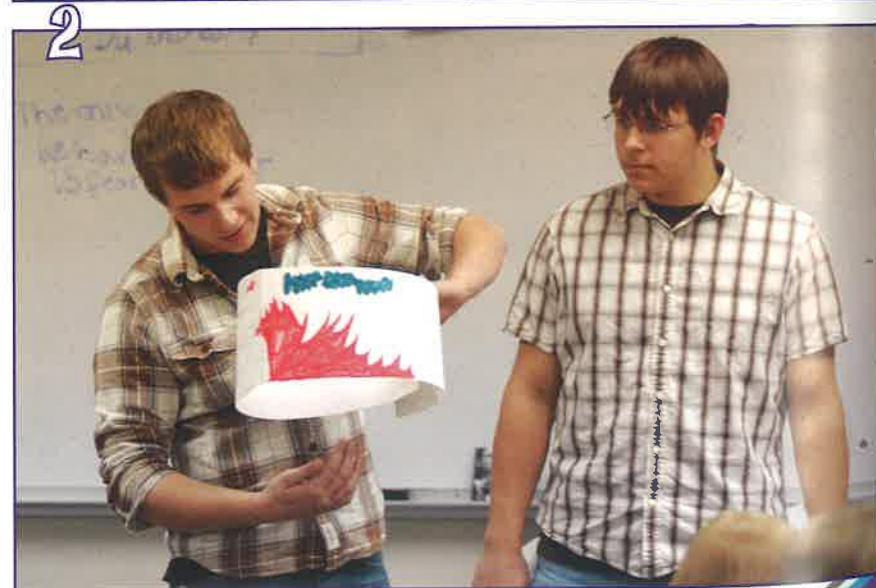
Shannon Wright



Brooke Yochim



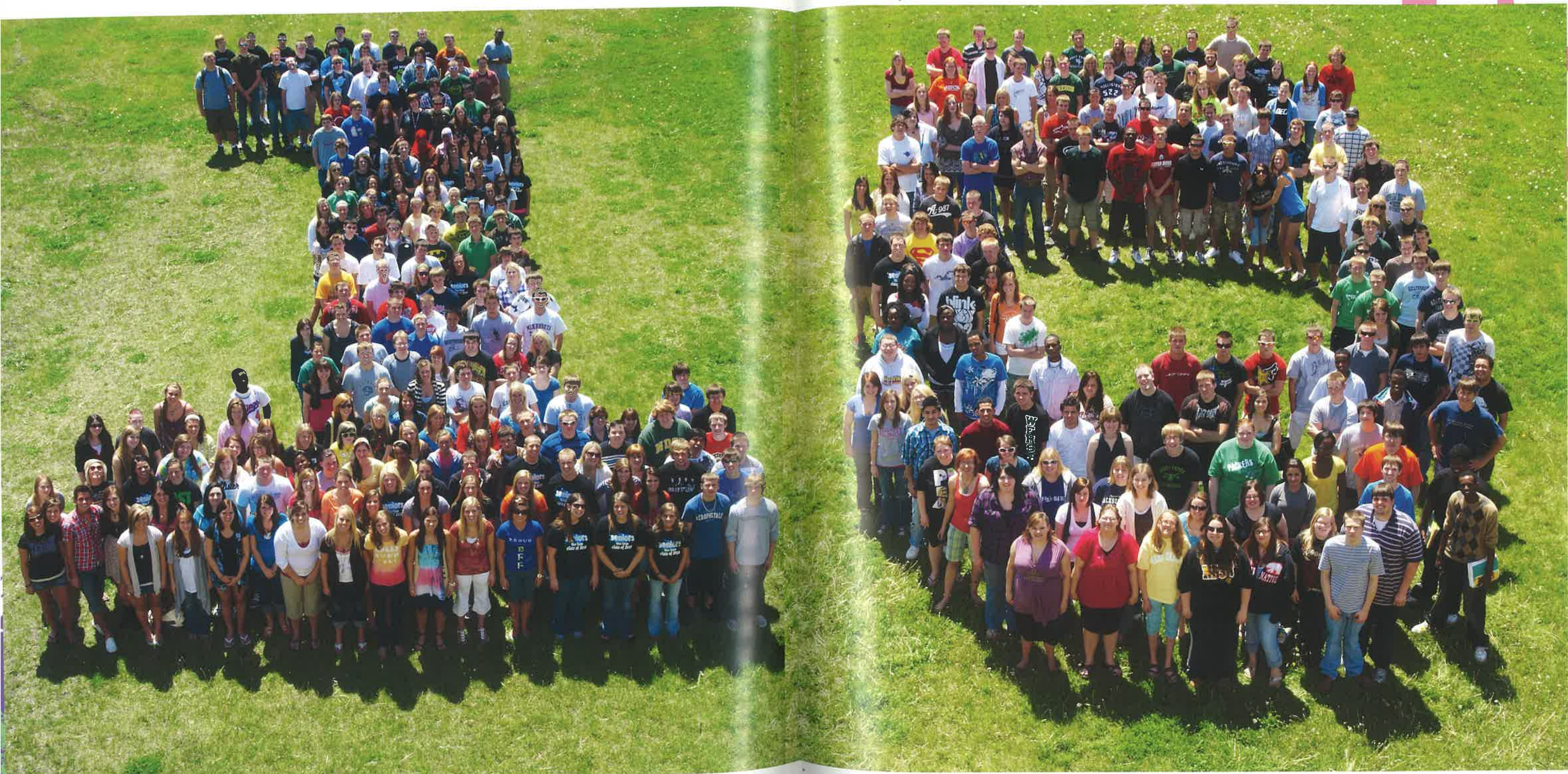
Renae Zwick



Top 5 Instruments to play in a band
98 polled

1. Drums-20
2. Guitar-16
3. Singer-7
4. Piano-5
5. Flute-2

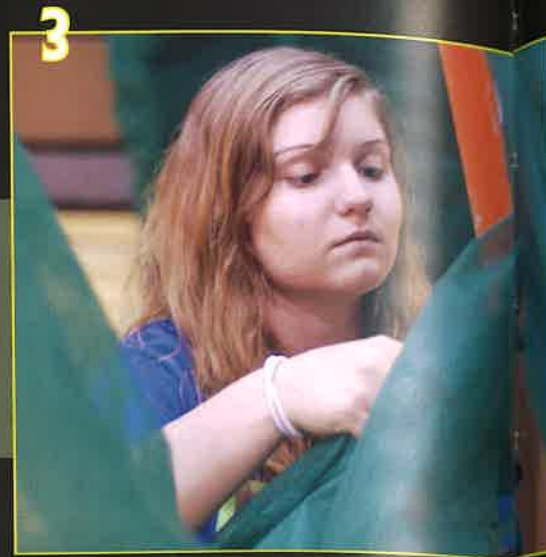
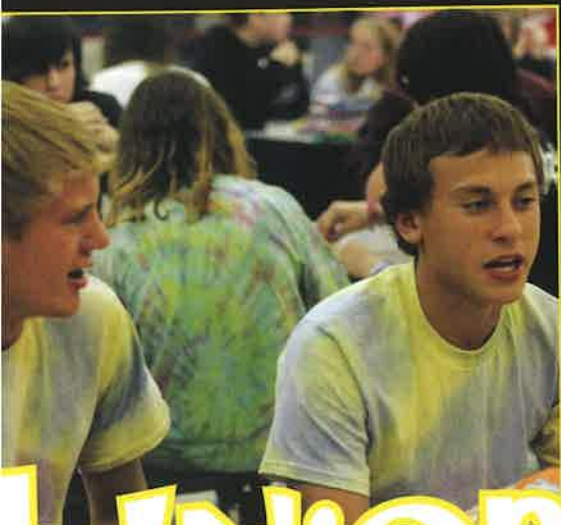
their speeches, seniors Whitney Streifel, Danielle Meyer, and
 laugh at something that happened during Fundamentals of Public
 (by Nicole Eisenhammer) 2. During their "Dantes Nine Layers of Hell"
 seniors Jacob Mathias and Tyler Conklin show one of their layers to
 (by Cassie Piller) 3. During Environmental Science class, senior Laurel
 hes out her glass bottle so she can use it to for a test on the river
 (Cristina Martinez) 4. While hypnotized during an art club activity,
 Bitterman works on her still life interpretation. (Photo by Cristina Martinez)



Yesterday is History,
Today Will be a Memory,

TomMorrow is a MySTery;
it'S ALL aWaiTing you and Me.

JUNIORS



1 **EATING LUNCH ON tie-dye day**, juniors Braden Schmid and Joshua Hanson discuss their upcoming soccer game. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) **2** **DURING FRENCH III**, junior Emma Grant paints the traditional flower on her plate to represent Brittany, France. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **3** **DECORATING FOR GRAND MARCH**, junior Jasmine Schafer cuts fabric for the trees. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **4** **TESTING THE WATER FROM THE SHEYENNE RIVER**, juniors Abbey Immer and Drew Lemke work together to collect data for Environmental Science class. (Photo by Cristina Martinez)



KeerieAnne Bruce
Samantha Bruesch
Nicole Bruse
Sarah Bruun
Britny Bucholz
Amina Budalica
Steven Burdick
Eric Burmeister
Tyler Busche

Chelsey Buth
Devin Bykonen
Nicholas Cajobe
Wyatt Cameron
Alexandra Carthew
Devon Cavic
Chuda Chhetri
Megan Christensen
Alicia Clark

Amy Clark
Matthew Clark
Caitlin Correa
Michael Cota
Erica Cox
DeAwna Cross
Curtis Crowe
Bo Dahl
Tanner Dahl

ever Have i ever...

“...eaten Chinese food.”

“...bought anything at Hollister.”

“...completed a math assignment.”

“...been on a roller coaster.”

“...done a cartwheel.”

Paige Slater

Kathryn Petersen



1. AFTER HAVING THEIR OWN pie fight, senior Tiffanie Wold and junior Kelsey Schaefer wipe the whipped cream from their faces. (Photo by Devon Cavic) 2. DURING THE West Fest Parade, juniors Carissa Becher, Amy Clark, senior Brooke Yochim and junior Kelsey Daul toss candy out to the crowd for softball. (Photo by Victoria Hackett) 3. ENJOYING THE FALL pep rally, juniors Kaylee Lothspeich, Brianne Marthe, Britny Bucholz and Hillary Hugelen intently watch the activities going on in front of them. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)

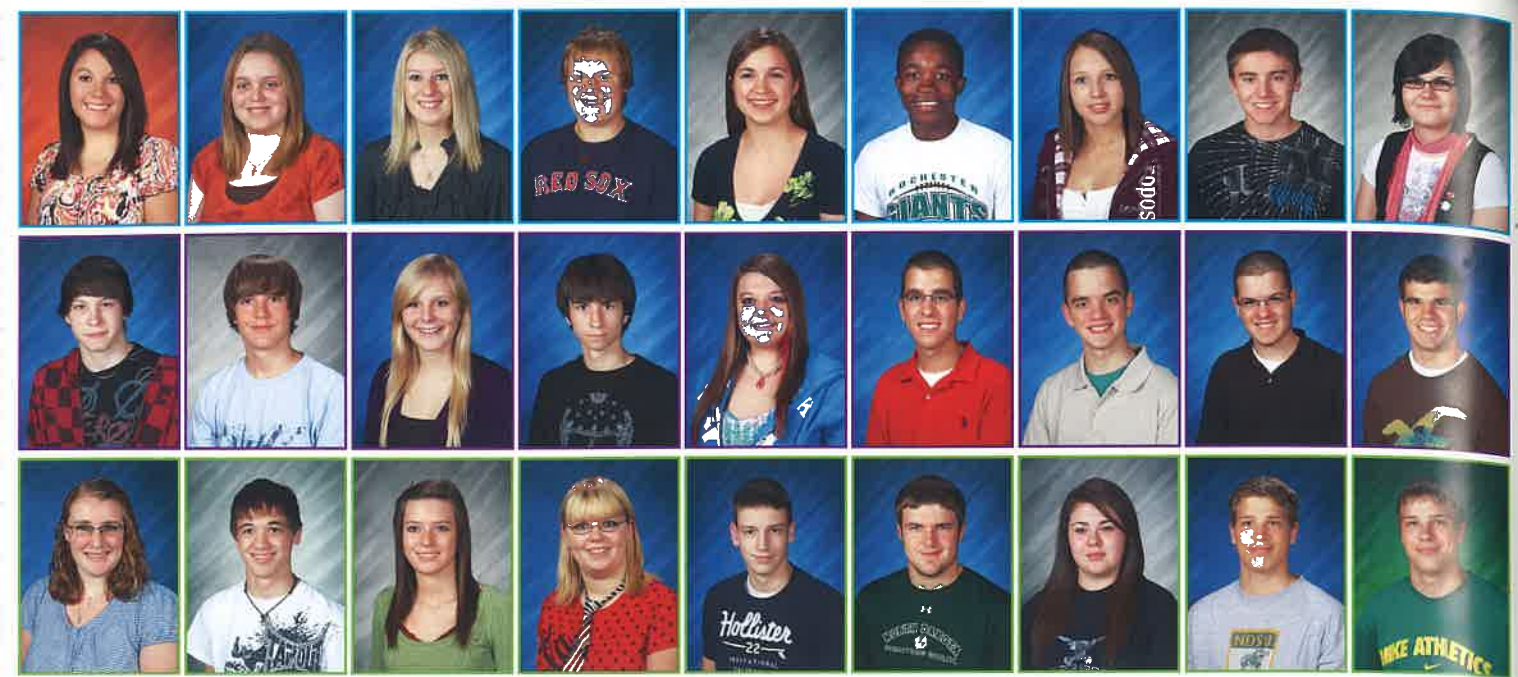
CLASSMATE COMPARISON

	 Morgan Erickson	 Timothy Erickson
Must have on a roadtrip	iPod	book
#1 on your bucket list	sky dive	pass highschool
Ideal pet	flamingo	wolf
Where do you work?	Best Buy	Agassiz Condo Association



Alissa Dablin
Kelsey Daul
Joshua Dauner
Katelynn Dauwen
Mary DeJong
Matthew Delaney
Ashley DeLeon
Ndayiragije Desire
Austin Dillard

Brady Dohman
Bret Dolan
Sarah Dombek
Kelsey Drayton
Cody Drees
Jonathon Du Shane
Kelli DuBord
Jason Dvorak



Elizabeth Grefsrud
Isaac Gregoire
Callie Grotjohn
Cory Gummeringer
Samantha Gunning
Mary Gust
Cole Gustafson
Jill Gustafson
Samantha Hagensen

Melissa Haida
Donald Halverson
Richard Hamner
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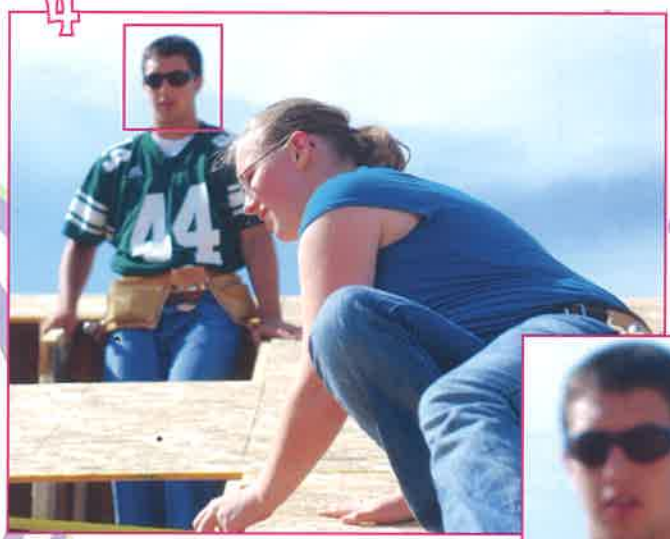
Skylar Hanson
Samantha Hanten
Brittany Harms
Kalen Harsch
Marcy Harsch
Anna Hauge
Michael Hawley
Cody Hayes
Tanner Hennen



1 DURING THE FALL pep rally, juniors Taylor Saari and Elizabeth Grefsrud listen to the instructions for the scavenger hunt. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **2** WHILE WAITING IN THE HOT seat, junior Alyssa Scott watches the needle draw blood from her arm during the Student Council blood drive. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **3** FOLLOW cast members CLING to each other in shock when junior Alex Kuchta springs up from the dead and begins to sing during the fall play, "Lucky Stiff". (Photo by Cristina Martinez)

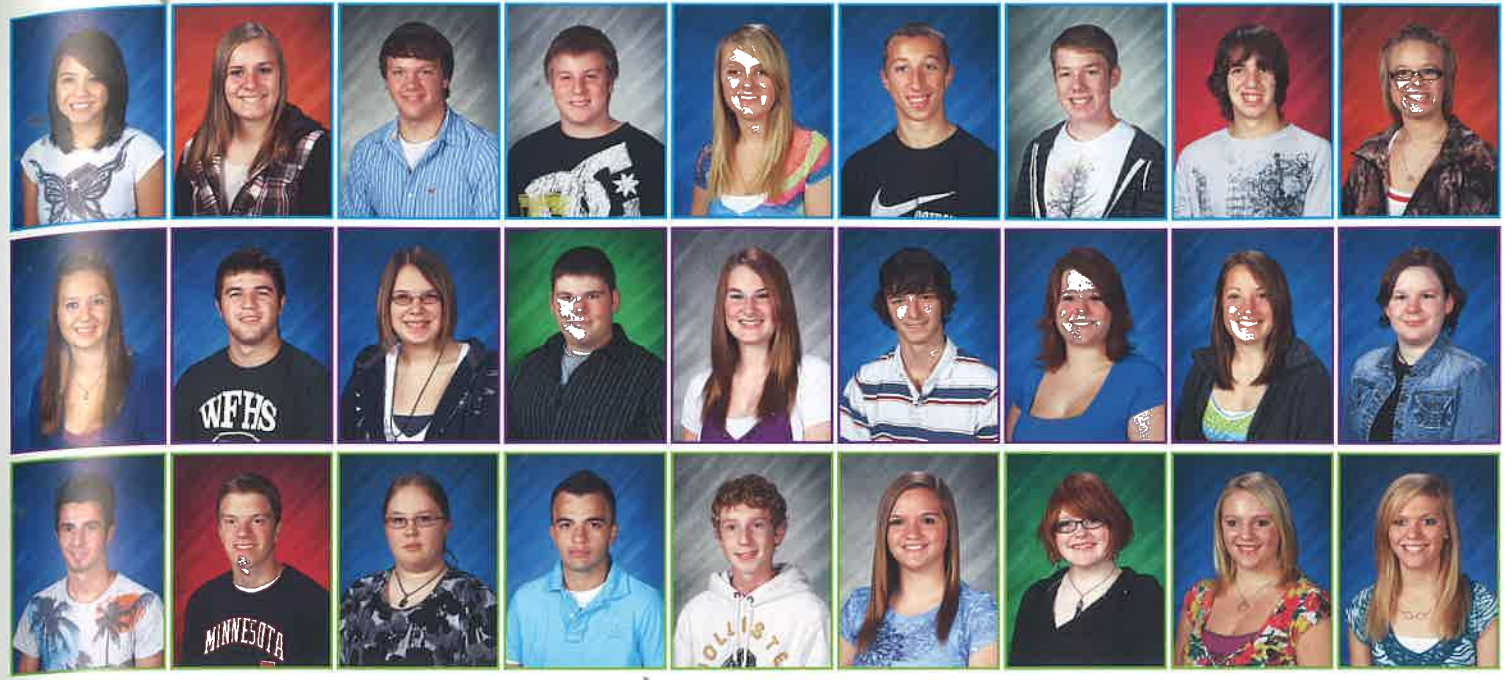
PHOTOBOMB

4 DURING BUILDING TRADES as junior Shelby Janssen works outside, junior Jordan Gleason sits in the background watching. (photo by Victoria Hackett) **5** WHILE WORKING ON his paper mache mask, junior Nicholas Walvatne was photobombed by junior Morgan Erickson when she walked into the shot as the picture was taken. (photo by Katie Birrenkott)



Chelsea Hermanson
Jacob Hermanson
Alexander Hetzog
Ethan Hettwer
Darian Hittner
Shane Hillen
Paige Hilling
Samantha Hintz
Dejana Hodzic

Andrew Hoeger
Cameron Holland
Katelyn Holland
Dylan Honeymann
Austin Horsager
Kraig Horton-Mannings
Lee Howes
Michael Howlett



Michele LeBaron
Danielle Lee
Eric Lehmann
Brandon Leier
Abby Lein
Drew Lemke
Nicholas Leopold
Levi Lepird
Shelby Lewis

Victoria Lietz
Labinot Lika
Heather Link
Thomas Lipp
Renas Lisk
John Paul Litzinger
Londyn Lorenz
Kaylee Lothspeich
Faith Lucia

Fitim Luzha
Kasey Lynn
Barbara-Ann Lytle
Dhurim Mani
Derrick Manock
Brienne Marthe
Natalie Martinson
Brittany Masset
Amy Matzke

Getting to Know...

If I could choose a person to be stuck in an elevator with it would be Rebecca Rhodes

My biggest pet peeve is slow walkers in the halls you know who you are

My favorite brand of shoes is probably Guess. If I could have a giant house entirely full of Guess shoes, I would.
My best nail polish or to use is all of em, go for it

One thing I won't eat is pickles ...ick

My most prized possession is ibat

The best theme for a birthday party would be any, gotta say, kinda hate theme parties

My regular coffee drink is white chocolate mocha

The thing that puts me in the best mood is good music, good friends =)

My most embarrassing moment is when oh gosh I don't even know!



Alex Carthew
Alexandra Carthew

If I could choose a person to be stuck in an elevator with it would be Someone I could have a conversation with.

My biggest pet peeve is when someone doesn't do what they support to in a group.

My favorite brand of shoes is Nike

The best color shirt to wear is yellow

The one thing I won't eat is trout

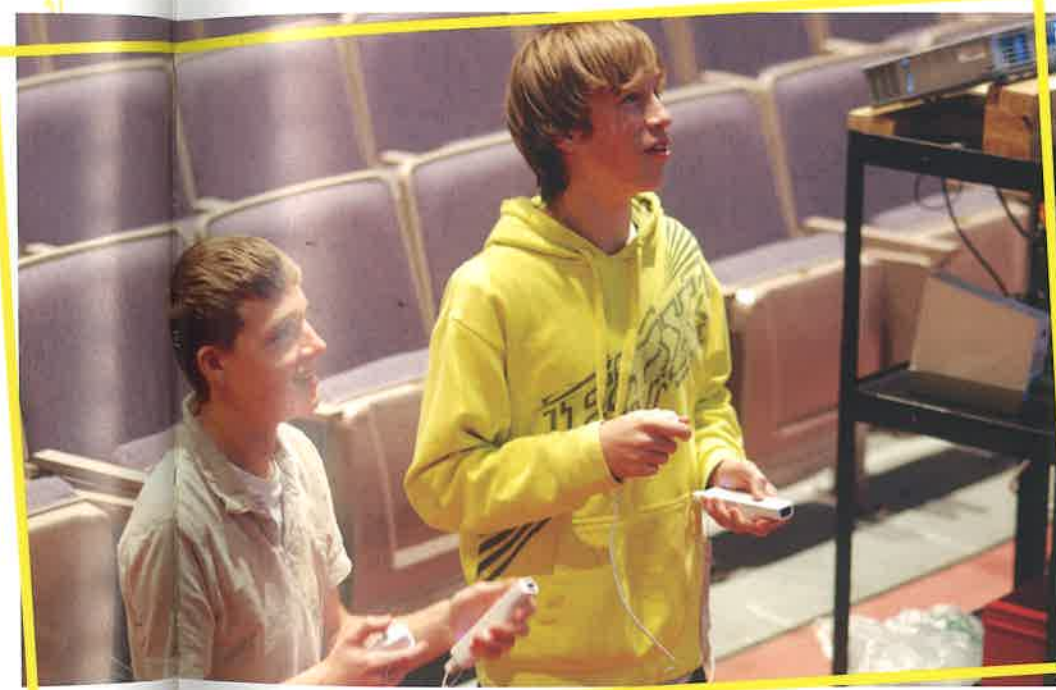
My most prized possession is my rolls my grandma bought me before she died.

The best theme for a birthday party would be a surprise party

My regular energy drink is AMP

The thing that puts me in the best mood is having fun with my friends

My most embarrassing moment is when I stood up in front of a crowd of people and didn't know what to say.



1 GAMING it up, sophomore Paul Lanctot and junior Jade Johnson play Wii during their lunch hour on Fill the Dome Friday fun day. (Photo by Devon Cavic) **2** WITH a MAN'S FATE on their hands, juniors Brienne Marthe and Nicole Eisenzimmer debate with fellow jurors during a mock trial for Youth Leadership. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **3** DURING Tye-dye Day on Sept. 14th, juniors Briana Keller and Kacie Johnson make plans for Friday's football game. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)



Donavin McKinney
Jared Mears
Kayla Meehan
Nicholas Meske
Jacob Metcalf
Taylor Michels
Jacob Mitzel
Tanner Moerke
Abdi Mohamed

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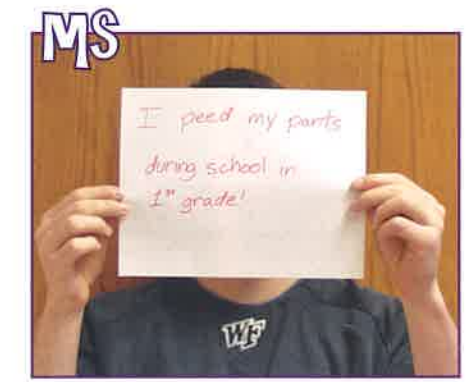


Michaela Pytlík
Dylan Quern
Taylor Quinn
Stephanie Raguse
Jordan Rasmussen
Channon Raugutt
Cherae Reeves
Christopher Reeves
Michael Reiner
Amanda Reiter
Ryan Remmen
Jordan Reznecheck
Grant Ringdahl
Alysa Roberts
Kevin Roberts
Kyle Roberts
Sherae Robertson
Alicia Rokusek
Jesse Rolle
Ellen Rossow
Megan Rotert
Megan Ross
Matthew Ross
Cherylene Runn
Brody Rustad
Ndaize Rutz
Taylor Saari



1. WORKING AWAY, juniors Saide Waite and Riley Spiker paper mache their caterpillar for their Spanish III Christmas project. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) **2. FILMING FOR FUNDAMENTALS OF PUBLIC SPEAKING**, junior Nicholas Leopold works on his group's commercial. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **3. DURING THE HOLIDAY BAND CONCERT**, junior Justin Schock reads his music while playing the final Christmas tune. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

Card Secrets



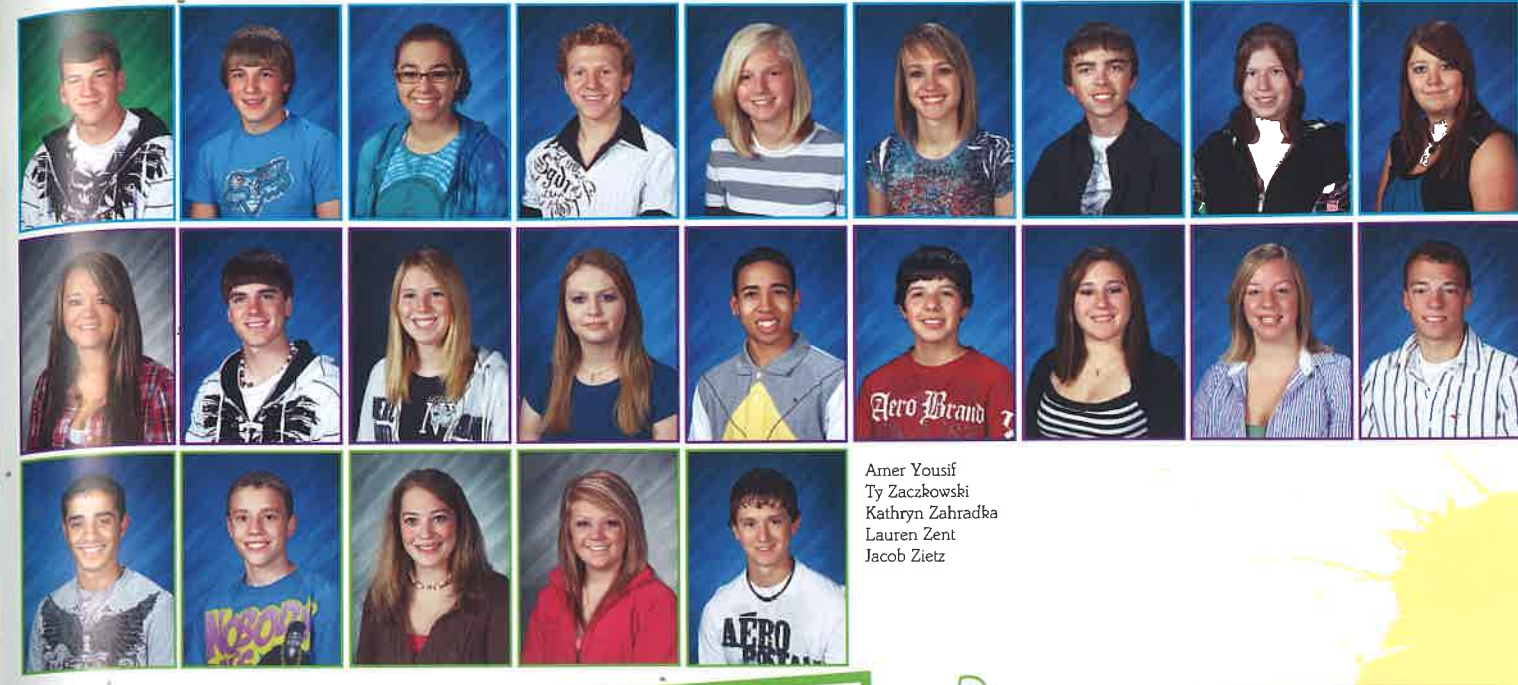
My craziest dream was...

Mary Gust "...a cardboard box was closing in on me. My mom and sister told me they were going to McDonalds and would save me when they got home."

Dorald Halverston "... I was falling off of a cliff and suddenly woke up. I was freaked out."



Cydney Sabin
Kyle Sample
Nari Sanjel
Danielle Schaefer
Kelsey Schaefer
Jasmine Schafer
Nathaniel Schendel
Tyler Schlenvogt
Tailer Schlichting
Braden Schmid
Justin Schock
Alicia Schroeder
Michaela Schuler
Colton Schulz
Brady Schwartz
Alyssa Scott
Erica Semmens



Zachary Vetter
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Courtney Vistad
Aaron Waite
Sadie Waite
Whitney Walsh
Nicholas Walvatne
Nicole Wegenast
Destinee Weigel

Jenna Weishaar
Gabriel Wenzelow
Amanda Wilkens
Lexis Willert
Nicholas Williams
Kyle Wohlman
Stephonie Wolf-Skane
Kate Woodbury
Tyler Woodbury

Amer Yousif
Ty Zaczkowski
Kathryn Zahradka
Lauren Zent
Jacob Zietz

What do you always have with you?

Can you find the matches?



Katie Birrenkott



Jacob Zietz



Ellen Rossow



Jacob Kinsella



Top five most popular answers

159 juniors polled

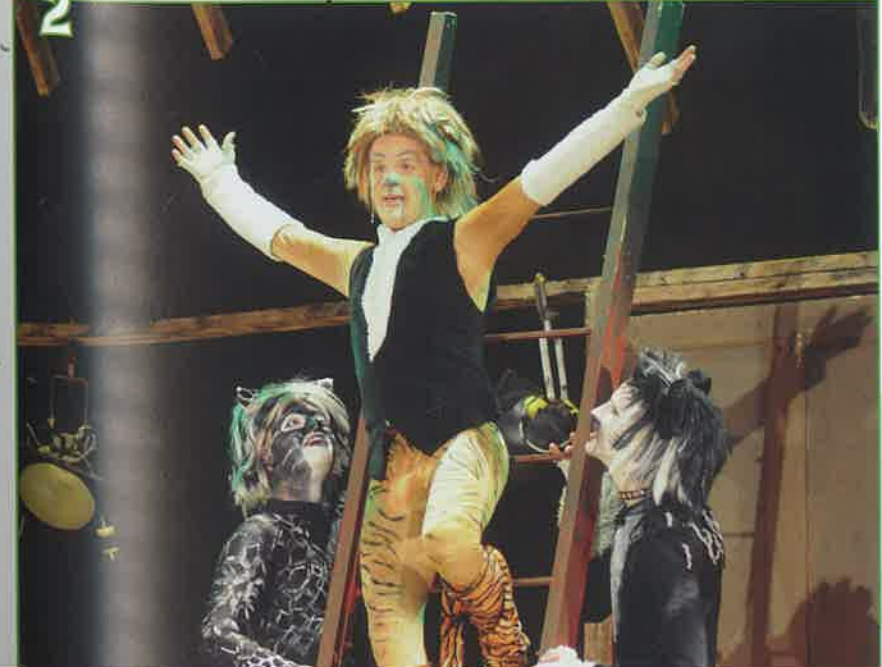
1. Phone-31

2. Sweatshirt/Sweatpants-16

3. Purse/Wallet-14

4. Jewelry-10

5. Ipod-8



1. DURING THE PUMPKIN PATCH activity for NHS, junior Briana Keller helps a child paint his pumpkin. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 2. USING HIS PROPS TO EMPHASIZE HIS PERFORMANCE, junior Chandler Boehm dazzles the crowd during a scene in the Drama presentation of "Cats". (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 3. WATCHING THEIR pH TEST PAPER change colors, juniors Alyssa Scott and Kevin Roberts work together on a lab in AP Biology. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 4. IN BUILDING TRADES, junior Tanner Hennen cuts tarp to outline the roof for shingling. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)



SOPHOMORES



1. **Awaiting reScue**, sophomore Nathan Gilbraith participates in Teen CERT by acting as if the roof has caved in. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 2. **ROCKING HER 80'S gear**, sophomore Ashley Bogardus works on a packet for Developmental World History. (Photo by Kelsey Daul) 3. **WAVING AT FELLOW NERDS** in the hallway, sophomores Natalie Aamot and Adelle Nistler



Brittany Betterley
Brandon Beyer
Madison Beyer
Jordan Binstock
Austin Birrenkott
Jordan Bishop
Amelia Bixby
Cassidy Blakeway-Walen
Levi Boehm

Crystal Boerger
Ashley Bogardus
Brady Bohnenstingl
Harmony Bolton
Joshua Bomstad
Samuel Bondy
Jenna Borseh
Elizabeth Bossert
Ashley Braaten

Jordan Braaten
Miranda Brekhestran
Alec Breyer
Briann Brink
Tilar Britz
Devyn Brockmann
Joseph Brockman
Tanner Brossart
Samantha Brown



1 WHILE LIFTING in Physical Education, sophomore Matthew Berg performs the seated row to work the muscles in his body. (Photo by Aren Cossette) **2** PUTTING THE FINISHING TOUCHES on her mask in Spanish II, sophomore Sydney Greenlund tapes her paper mache together as sophomore Amber Swart watches happily. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **3** PUTTING OXYGEN into his bottle for the Chemistry experiment, sophomore Kristian Olsen finishes his rocket on Nov. 20th in Bradley Amundson's class. (Photo by Aren Cossette)

PHOTOBOMB

4 WHILE LISTENING to HIS teacher, sophomore Sage Raghiv pays close attention as sophomore Brandon Reinen stares into the camera. (photo by Jessica Schmaltz) **5** STRAYING AWAY FROM THE experiment, sophomore Morgan Tuscherer gazes at the camera while Chemistry teacher Bradley Amundson (right) talks. (photo by Aren Cossette)



Cody Brunette
Tucker Bucholz
Nicole Buhendwa
Emily Burdick
Miranda Burton
Aspen Busse
Brandyn Buth
Amanda Cain
Aimee Camberos-Jurado



Kayla Carlson
Zachary Carlson
Jenna Cariveau
Paul Cernik
Mariah Clarin
Arienne Clark
Sabirana Claude
Kubayyo Claudine



Michelle Gault
Kaitlin Gebeke
Geoffrey Gengel
Ashley Gerdes
Christopher Gibbons
Nate Gilbraith
Kari Gilman
Taylor Gjestvang
Chelsea Glassmann

Courtney Glassmann
Wesley Golay
Brianna Gratz
Destinee Gray
Sydney Greenlund
Zachary Grindahl
Katelyn Groth
Courtney Grove
Randi Haaland

Chiman Habib
Erich Hahn
Madelynn Haider
Jordan Hall
Brady Hanson
Christopher Harrison
Ali Hassan
Lacey Hatlestad
Tyler Hauschulz

Getting to know...

One thing I am competitive in is farmville

The most embarrassing thing my parents do is being weird in public

My biggest fear is ghosts

If I could be one age for the rest of my life I would be 16

If I was invisible for one day I would not come to school

The bravest thing I've done is fell through ice in the winter

The best costume I ever wore was A witch for 7 years in a row.



Beth Bossert
Beth Bossert



1. TAKING DONATIONS FOR THE SALVATION ARMY, sophomores Sydney Greenlund and Alex is Tschosik volunteer to sing Christmas carols for a Key Club activity at sunmart while ringing a bell. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 2. WHILE AT THE KEY CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY, sophomores Samantha Nelson and Chasity Stanczyk make christmas cards for wounded soldiers. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 3. REACHING INTO THE BOX while packing up for Fill the Dome, sophomore Alec Peters finishes up filling the box on Nov. 20th. (Photo by Devon Cavic)



Sarmed Lafta
Sarmed Lafta

One thing I am competitive in is Soccer

The most embarrassing thing my parents do is Try to tell jokes to my friends

My biggest fear is Sharks

If I could be one age for the rest of my life I would be 25

If I was invisible for one day I would Pull pranks on Everyone

The bravest thing I've done is Get up close with poisonous snakes in Lebanon

The best costume I ever wore was Michael Jackson



Cole Hayes
Joshua Hedstrom
Brittney Heiden
Tanner Heinz
Krysta Henderson
Alexandra Hermanson
Justin Hersch
Taylor Herzog
Dianna Hesse



Monique Hill-Ramirez
Chelsie Hoag
Nichole Hobson
Kenan Hodzic
Jesse Hoffart
Katelyn Hogan
Connor Holland
Kelsey Holm



Tessa Krueger
Carley Kuehl
Alyssa Laddusaw
Sarmed Laifa
Morgan Laite
Taylor LaMont
Paul Lanctot
Erik Langerud
Tyler Laufenberg
Keiry LeBaron
Tyler Lenertz
Brenden Lies
Elah Limerick
Desiree Logan
Breann Lucio
Diang Lutul
Jenna Machart
Kaylah Machtell
Kyle Magnuson
Katro Mahad
Jessica Manning
Karson Mapes
Justin Marek
Amanda Marinucci
Brooke Martin
James Massey
Matthew Mathias



1. In order to prepare his paper mache project, sophomore Steven Soia cuts the balloon to make his pinata look more like a face. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) 2. ROLLING out a piece of clay to make a bowl, sophomores Jenna Borseth and Alicia Bates work on their bowls in Ceramics. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 3. SINGING a NUMBER FROM the drama MUSICAL "Cats", sophomore Jordan Degerness busts out in tune at the winter pep rally. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer)

What do you ALWAYS have WITH you?

Can you find the matches?



Zachary OLSON



Jordan DegerNESS





Tarrá MILLER

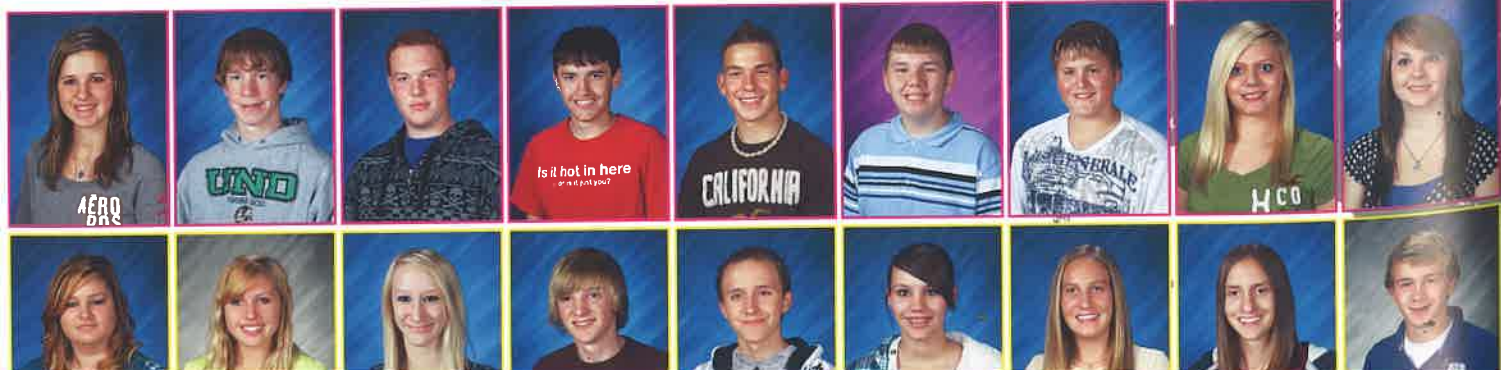


Katy TELLINGHUISEN



CLASSMATE COMPARISON

	Favorite show growing up	Best part about winter	Number of siblings	If you could visit anywhere...
 Tyler Ostern	"Rugrats"	Snowboarding	Eight	Jamaica
 Novica Petrovic	"Spongebob"	Snow fights	Three	Caribbean



Daniel Mathison
Hunter McDonald
Trey McDonald
Alissa Mears
Brandon Mears
William Merkel
Elaina Mewszel
Andrea Meyer
Curtis Miller

Hayley Miller
Spenser Miller
Tarrá Miller
Selwa Mohamed
Ubah Mohamed
Habso Mohamud
Ladan Mohamud
Hala Molter

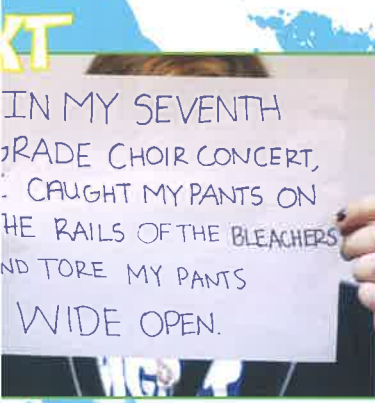


Chelsey Ranum
Logan Reed
Brandon Reinen
Jazmyne Reinke
Nicholas Reitan
Alan Repak
Makenzie Reutter
Brook Rheault
Jordan Rheault



Dustin Richard
Zoe Richard
Sarah Ringdahl
Casey Robert
Jesus Rodriguez
Brianna Rotvett
Jessica Rowell
William Ryan
Tyler Salquist

Anna Samson
Samuel Sandoval
Ram Sanjel
Tulashi Sanjel
Badri Sapkota
Aleksandar Saric
Spencer Sattler
Courtney Savage
Samuel Saville

Card Secrets



CLASSMATE COMPARISON

	Favorite reality show	Favorite class	Biggest fear	Best superhero
 Cassidy Blakeway	"Real World"	Geometry	Heights	Spiderman
 Chasity Stanczyk	"Jersey Shore"	English	Insects	Batman



1. During their Study Hall on Tye-dye day on Sept. 14th, sophomores Danielle Davilla and Adelle Nistler chat throughout the hour. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 2. Overcome With Emotion after hearing Holocaust survivor David Faber's story, sophomore Medina Karabegovic greets David Faber. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 3. Sophomores Marissa Westall and Lexi Wasem watch as presenter Bob Uggren demonstrates how he expresses his emotion in painting. (Photo by Jordi Braaten)



Brittany Schaan
Trae Schacher
Blake Schaefer
Karley Schaefer
Autumn Schatz
Tanner Schiffler
Jessica Schmaltz
Christine Schmidt
Michael Schmidt

Hollie Schmitz
Derrick Schnell
Hannah Schnepf
Madison Schommer
Brady Schroeder
McKenzie Schwark
Adam Seamands
Liam Seaman



Evan Thostenson
 Brock Toay
 Savannah Torgerson
 Charles Torrance
 Samantha Torvik
 Peter Tran
 Makayla Trautman
 Lisa Trefethren
 Reba Tschetter

Alexis Tschosik
 Evan Tucker
 Morgan Tuscherer
 Landon Uetz
 Ayet Ujwok
 Sara Ulmer
 Tyler Ulven
 Eric Vaagen
 Patricia Valenzuela

Ashley Vangerud
 Spencer VanGuilder
 Elizabeth Varberg
 Taylor Vasek
 Catharine Vetter
 Vanessa Vig
 Samantha Vigstol
 Amanda Wagemann
 Riel Walette



1. SINGING HIS HEART OUT, sophomore Nate Gilbraith performs as a club singer during a performance of "The Lucky Stiff." (Photo by Johanna Erickson) **2. SLIDING PAPER MACHE** off a strip of newspaper, sophomore Katelyn Groth works on making a piñata in Spanish class. (Photo by Devon Cavic) **3. BLOWING ON HER ART PROJECT**, sophomore Alixandra Hermanson tries to dry her plate during Tye-Dye Day on Sept. 14th. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

My ideal vacation is to...

Maisha Dockter " ...going camping because it's something I enjoy doing."



" ...Hawaii; I've never been there and it would be fun to swim with the dolphins."

Shane Swenson

Joel Ostirum " ...Colorado because I could be in the outdoors and the wilderness."

Top 5 Ideal Vacations

225 sophomores polled

- 1. Hawaii** 
- 2. Florida**
- 3. Somewhere warm**
- 4. Hunting/Camping**
- 5. Bahamas** 



Kylee Walsvik
 Alexis Wasern
 Taylor Waterworth
 Brandon Watson
 Bianca Wegner
 Paige Weisz
 Travis Welch
 Abbee Welben
 Marissa Westall

Mercedes Westereug
 Cody Willert
 Eleni Wilson
 Samantha Wilson
 Lane Wohler
 Ryan Wold
 Katie Woodbury
 Omar Yaseen
 Britney Yliniemi

Andrew Young
 Qays Yousif
 Christopher Zabel
 Issa Zeele



FRESHMEN



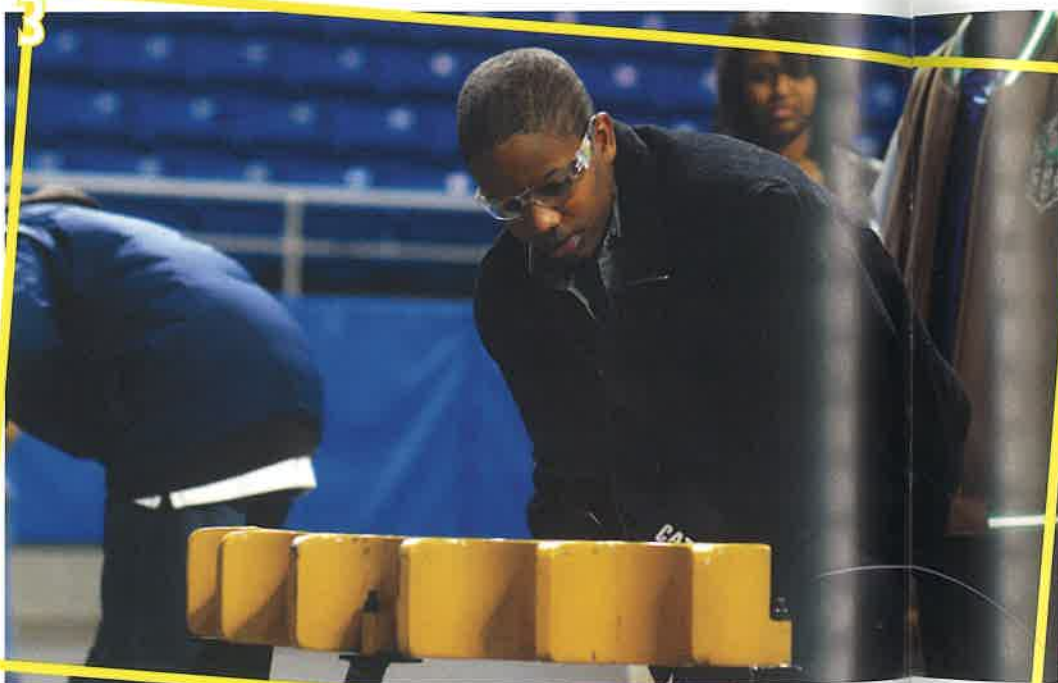
1. **READING HER MUSIC**, freshman Claire Eidenschink plays her trumpet in band class. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) 2. **LEADING THE ONLY ALL GIRLS TEAM**, freshman Mara Lopez gives an intense throw in the freshman dodgeball tournament. (Photo by Kayleigh Omang) 3. **DURING WORLD GEOGRAPHY**, freshmen Brady Rotert and Derrick Lacco discuss how they did on their



Kellie Braesch
Andrina Brogden
Daniel Brown
Benjamin Bruenjes
Christina Bruenjes
Carter Brueshoff
Travis Bruse
Christopher Byzewski
Carlee Cameron

Alysa Cannon
Ashley Casarez
Desiray Castillo
Jennifer Castronuovo
Aldo Cerda
Alexis Cernik
Randy Cernik
Gabrielle Chase
Astrid Chavez

Brooke Christensen
Katherine Clark
Nolan Clark
Riley Clennon
Taylor Cole
Sabrina Conica
Demi Cook
Blake Corcoran
Danielle Corcoran



1. Working through push ups during Phy. Ed. class, freshman Sadiq Isack finishes up the warm up before starting the game of the day. (Photo by Devon Cavic) 2. Getting ready for the Teen Cert Simulation, freshmen Sonja Swanson and Krystal McNamee chat while they wait for everyone to get their makeup on. (Photo by Cassie Pillen) 3. At the Career Fair, freshman Mohamed Abdullahi works at the Bobcat station learning what the employees do at work. (Photo by Victoria Hackett)

My biggest pet peeve is...

"...people who think they know everything."



Riley Strempik

Michael Pfejce



"...when people ask me too many questions."



Duran Vigessa

"...when people look over my shoulder."

Top 5 pet peeves

204 freshmen polled

1. Annoying people
2. Obnoxious habits
3. People who will not be quiet
4. Chewing with mouth open
5. People who lie



Carly Cressman
Tyler Crouse
Courtney Dahl
Kiana Dahlen
Walker Degerness
Todd Dent
Dominic Devereaux
Nathan Diemer
Jaurdyn Dobler



Ethan Doll
Ryan Domier
Lane Doxtader
Derek Dreher
Davis Dube
Elijah Duncan
Gavin Ehlen



Rikki Haarsager-Dockter
Madison Haas
Marquell Haberer
Bryanna Haefner
Jacob Haessig
Wyatt Hager
Abby Hagle
Alex Hagle
Brandon Hanna

Jamie Hansen
Mariya Hansen
Zachery Hansen
Christopher Hansen-Stock
Alexis Hanson
Mathew Harford
Zachary Haring
Melissa Harms
Ariana Harrington

Emily Hartwig
Eric Haugen
Morgan Hausauer
Sydney Haven
Kendal Haverland
Sarah Hawn
Mesud Heco
Jocelyn Hegge
James Heinen-Lugert

I can never keep track of...

"...my car keys; they always disappear."

"...my cell phone; I always lose it."



Maria Lopez

What do you always have with you?

Can you find the matches?

Raymond Payne



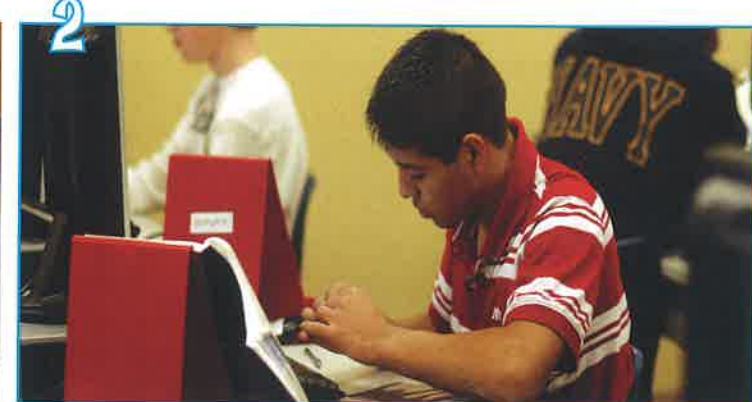
Hannah Kiernan



ANNA SOLDERHOLM



NICHOLAS PILLEN



1 PRACTICING FOR THE CHRISTMAS CONCERT, freshmen McKayla Baxley and Michaela Ste. Marie focus on hitting the right notes. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) **2** FINISHING UP AN ASSIGNMENT, freshman Juan LeBaron reads the next step for his BCA project. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) **3** CATCHING UP ON SOME HOMEWORK, freshman Taylor Ring concentrates on her homework during her opportunity hour. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)



Justin Heisler
Connor Hennen
Leah Hermanson
Devin Hillman
Taylor Hintgen
Alexander Hintz
Juanita Hoeger
Cassie Hoffman
Derek Hogenson

Ryan Hoiland
Dylan Holbrook
Landon Holmquist
Isaac Horn
Ali Horsager
Abulquasem Hossain
Felicia Houff



Brett Larson
Jessica Larson
Benjamin Larson-Pearson
Juan LeBaron
Zachary Lehfeldt
Michael Lehmann
Preston Lehmann
Ryan Leick
Brennan Lemar

Alexis Lennon
Samantha Lentz
Brett Lessard
Aaron Lind
Whitney Lindbo
Alexander Loberg
Austin Loberg
Mara Lopez
Mariza Lopez

Kyle Lothspeich
Zachary Luptak
Steven Ly
Ariel Maenza
Christopher Magarian
Mirvan Mani
Nicole Mansbe
Andrew Martin
Harlie Martin



1 Loading a box with nonperishable items, freshman Michael Lehmann helps get his school's food organized for Fill the Dome. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) 2 Talking with a friend in Construction class, freshman Trevor Kringlie works on building a birdhouse. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

My biggest Fear is...



Matthew Reiner

"...being in small spaces, because it's scary."

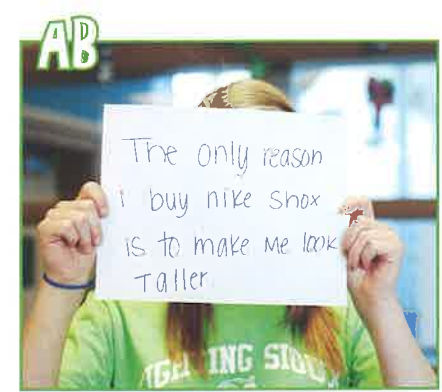
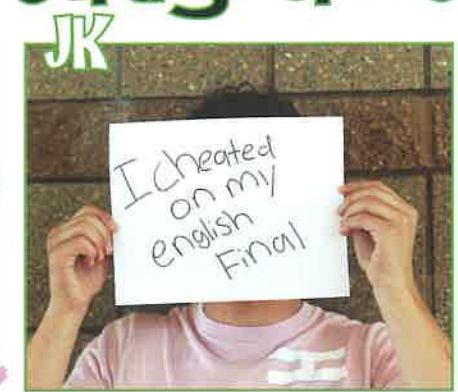


Samantha Pallas

"...dragon flies, because they are gross."

"...growing up."

Card Secrets



Sarah Massey
Alexandra Mathias
Austin Matthys
Caleb Mattila
Shane Mattson
Logan Matzke
Krystal McNamee
Paige McQuade
Shayleigh Mears

Andrew Melroe
Brody Mertz
Austin Meyer
Thomas Meyer
Dustin Meyer



Maxwell Pergande
Garrett Peterson
Kolten Peterson
Karlee Phillips
Brittany Pierce
Michael Pierce
Jacob Pierson
Nicholas Piffen
Austyn Poirier

Tessa Pokrzywinski
Lane Pringle
Chase Pulczynski
Ruaa Qays
Daniel Quick
Jasmin Quiroz
Brenna Raab
Sydney Rakoczy
Nicholas Rasmussen

Joshua Ray
Seth Ray
Munevera Redic
Landon Regner
Matthew Reiner
Justin Reiter
Alexander Rezac
Taylor Ring
Juan Rodriguez

CANNOT PRONOUNCE ...



Top 5 MISPRONOUNCED WORDS

76 freshmen polled

1. Aluminum
2. Synonym
3. Specific
4. Escape
5. Especially



1. COUNTING THE BEAT, freshman Nathan Aswege practices a Christmas tune during band class. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) **2. FOCUSING ON HER CLOTHING**, freshman Mara Lopez rethreads her sewing machine during Fashion and Clothing. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer) **3. WHILE CREATING A PYRAMID**, freshman Matthew Reiner counts how many cans his class raised for the Fill the Dome project. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)



Nickolas Roehrich
Lacey Rohrich
Megan Rolie
Christian Rood
Jessica Rosenu
Makayla Rosendahl
Kymberlynn Ross
Brady Rotert
Alec Rowland

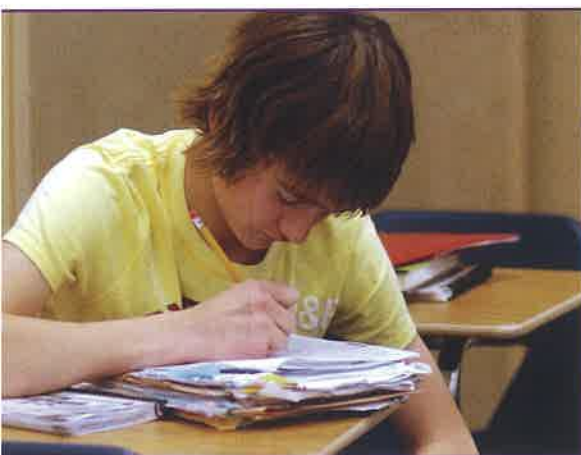
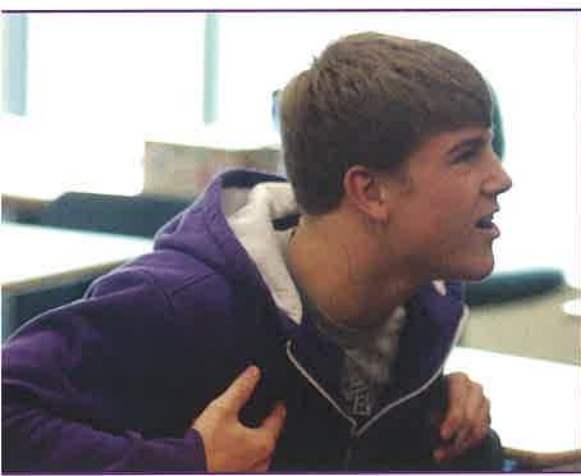
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Isack Sadig
Spencer Sahl
Adel Said
Nyabuachai Samuel
Hydra Saphora



Ashley Swart
Patrick Talley
Jamz Thompson
Kendra Thompson
Maren Thompson
Skylar Thompson
Adam Thome
Shayla Thorsland
Durga Timsina

Alexis Tollefson
Alexis Tomaszewski
Mari Tonsfeldt
KayLee Torgerson
Audrey Torres
Zachary Torres
Chantal Toso
Kelsey Toy
Aaron Trautman

Logan Trenda
Jesus Trevino
Meaghan Trombley
Leah Trottot
Idris Tshibangu
Jonah Vane
Tyler Verlinden
Bailey Vertin
Maggi Vetter



1 During opportunity hour, freshman Miles Scholl argues his point to a friend. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)
2 Freshman Team JMBOS teammates Ashtyn Eidenshink, Christopher Hansen-Stock, Blake Nelson, and Elijah Duncan think of a strategy to beat the Purple Cobras during the Shyenne Center dodgeball tournament. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)
3 Working quietly on a stack of homework, freshman Derrick LaCoe focuses on an English packet during opportunity hour. (Photo by Nicole Eisenzimmer)

Getting to Know...



Blake Enger
BLAKE ENGER

The best vacation I have been on is to Mississippi because it was on a horse ranch

If I could have any job in the world, it would be a veterinarian because i love animals

If someone took my cell phone away from me I would die because i would feel alone

If I chose my dodgeball team name, it would be Legit because that's my best friend max's dodgeball team.

The talent I wish I had is skate boarding because it looks fun

My favorite restaurant I've ever eaten at is grand junction

The only store I absolutely won't shop at is sears because i've never been in there

The one thing I can never have too many of is socks because i love them

The best vacation I have been on was to South Dakota because I have not traveled anywhere else

If I could have any job in the world, it would be a photographer because I enjoy taking pictures

If someone took my cell phone away from me I would die because my cell phone is my life.

If I chose my dodgeball team name, it would be nothing because i wouldn't play dodgeball

The talent I wish I had is to whistle because I can't

My favorite restaurant I've ever eaten at is Granite City

The only store I absolutely won't shop at is Hallmark because greeting cards are dumb

The one thing I can never have too many of is hair styles because i dye my hair almost every month.



Lacey Rohrich
LACEY ROHRICH



Rachel Vigen
Duran Vigasaa
Cierra Vivier
Bryce Vogel
Sierra Walker
Hayley Walsh
Chelsea Wangen
Taylor Ward
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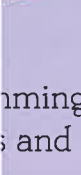
Chelsea Waters
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Megan Wendlick
Sydney Wendt



My SUMMER days INCLUDE...



"...watching movies together. It's like our family tradition."



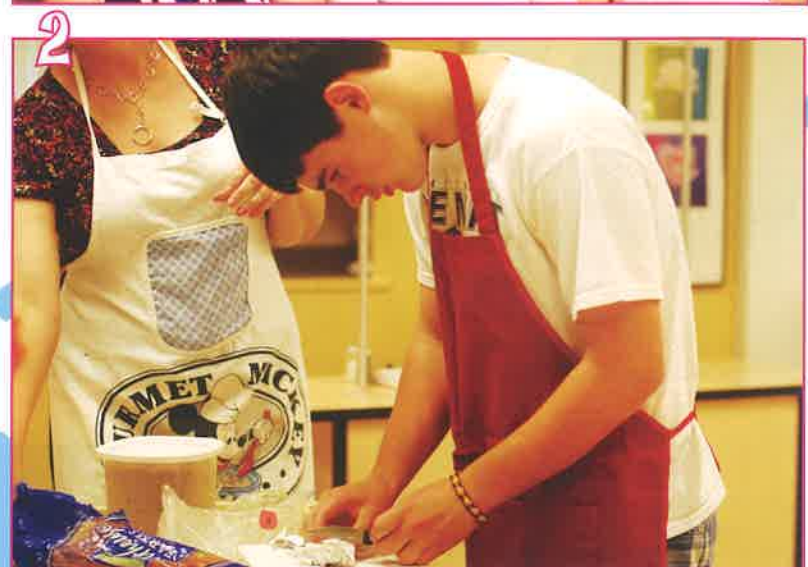
...fishing, hanging with friends and family. It's fun!"



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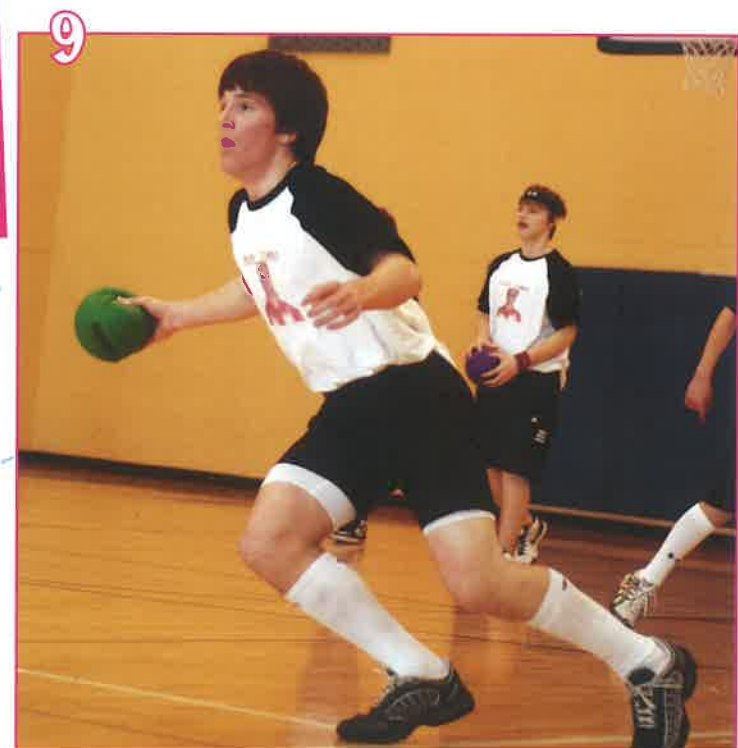
"...skateboarding, football, soccer and a different variety of things."



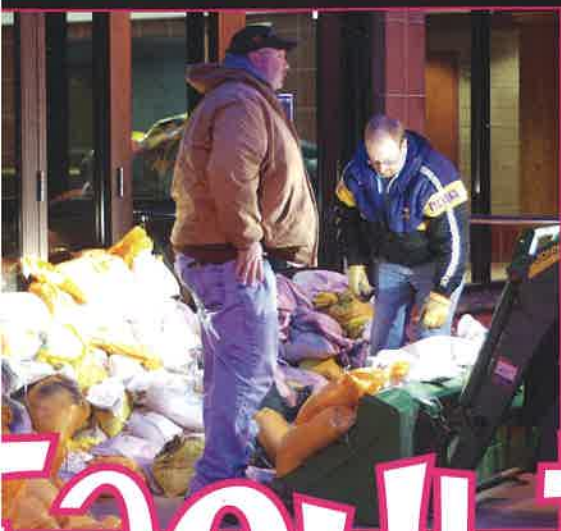
Top 5 SUMMER ESSENTIALS...

204 freshmen polled

1. Friends-74
2. Sports-35
3. Lakes-22
4. Vacationing-18
5. Warm weather-18



1. At the CHRISTMAS CHOR concert, freshmen Ashley Warner, Alyssa Stedman, Madison Novacek, and Sonja Swanson perform for the audience. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 2. Preparing the ingredients for his group's recipe, freshman Ethan Doll cuts the butter during Foods for Today class on Sept. 22. (Photo by Devon Cavic) 3. DOING PUSHUPS IN GYM CLASS, freshman Chelsey Beck waits for instruction from her teacher. (Photo by Johanna Erickson) 4. Packaging up their OPPORTUNITY HOUR items donated for Fill the Dome, freshman Chelsea Wangen gets ready to carry out the box of collected goods. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) 5. AFTER RESEARCHING COUNTRIES FOR World Geography, freshmen Marquell Haberer and Alexis Hanson presented a power point slide show for the class. (Photo by Jordan Braaten) 6. TO KICK OFF THE KINDNESS WEEK at the Sheyenne Center, cheerleaders Maren Thompson, Taylor Hintgen and Melissa Harms participate in the pep rally. (photo by Kelsey Daul) 7. TAKING advantage of getting her hair done at the Freshmen Career Expo, freshman Allie



Faculty






4 Custodial Staff clean up the senior prank of sandbags being stacked up against the four main doors of the school the night before at around 6:15 a.m. in order for students to



Monica Ellingson
 Claudia Engelstad
 Joy Fisch
 Sara Forness
 Verdeell Gagelin
 Jay Gibson
 Allison Glarum
 Jason Graber
 David Gravdahl
 Greg Grooters
 Pam Grove
 Jami Grueneich
 Pam Hall
 Melissa Halvorson
 Brenda Hansen
 Steve Hanson
 Rhonda Harmon
 Sandra Harris
 Rachel Heggen
 Jerome Heinz
 Chelsea Hendricks
 Darlene Hendricks
 Amanda Henry
 Julie Hersch
 Suellyn Hoffart
 Dan Holder
 Jane Holland

Teacher Comparison

	Favorite math formula	Role model	Second favorite subject	Classroom pet peeve
 Math teacher Ruth Dockter	$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$	My parents	Anatomy	Students not paying attention
 Math teacher Melissa Halvorson	$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$	My mom	U.S. History	Students that are lazy
 Math teacher Laura Preston	Doing homework + asking questions = success	My kindergarden and 1st grade teachers	Science	Lazy students



1 ENGLISH teacher LINDSEY COSSETTE, holds French teacher Rachel Dwyer's son Jesse during the baby shower for West Fargo High School teachers who are new parents. (Photo by Brooke Yochim) 2 YELLING about LOSING HER beauty pageant, Spanish teacher Christina Walker dresses up as "Miss Match" for teacher theme day. (Photo by Johanna Erickson)



Kimberly Holmes
 Randy Holzkamm
 Sybil Hopkins
 Monica Huseby
 Diane Huso
 Erin Ihle
 Elizabeth Jahner
 Connie Jenson
 Casey Johnson
 Denise Johnson
 Joan Johnson
 Mindy Johnson
 Patrick Johnson
 Ryan Johnson
 Sue Jordahl
 Ruth Joyce
 Chris Kalsow
 Sam Karels
 Cassandra Kisse
 Matthew Klamann
 Jill Klinker
 Heather Klundt
 Brenda Knoll
 Nathan Knudsen



Jodi Robinson
Ayrin Roeder
LaRae Rosenfeldt
Sara Roth
Katina Rued
Ryan Salisbury
Terry Salter
Wayne Samson
Kelley Scheid
Jackie Schell
Donna Schneider
Mary Sherman
Marti Simmons
Christopher Sjue
Jenna Skaff
Jan Sliper
Matthew Slocomb
Cindy Stai
Kathryn Stangeland
Carissa Stauss
Cory Steiner
Josh Svor
Leah Swedberg
Rollie Swedberg
Richard Sylvester
Eric Syvertson
Aaron Tank

Card Secrets

MA

I don't burn candles

LD

I was involved in cheerleading, drama, band, & chorus for 4 years

ST

I love Vampires!
(Not just Edward + Bella!)

CK

My high school class consisted of 5 students.

AC

I'm afraid of water

NK

I like to cook & clean house.



1 AS THEY TUNE THEIR VOICES, administrative assistants Janice Best, Dixie Miller, Tonya Vetter, and Judy Boutiette prepare for a song and dance while dressed in matching attire for the Madrigal singers in February. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) **2** WINDING UP FOR THE THROW, mathematics teacher Aaron Thielges prepares to unload his fury during the Sheyenne dodgeball tournament. (Photo by Devon Cavic)



Kelly Tebben
Suzanne Thibert
Aaron Thielges
Gail Tobkin
Melisa Toepke-Peterson
Sarah Tron
Laurie Tyre-Carthew
Scott Ubben
Deb Uetz
Rebecca Ulven
Irene VanEckhout
Tonya Vetter
Max Washneski
Tom Whaley
Wanda Wilson

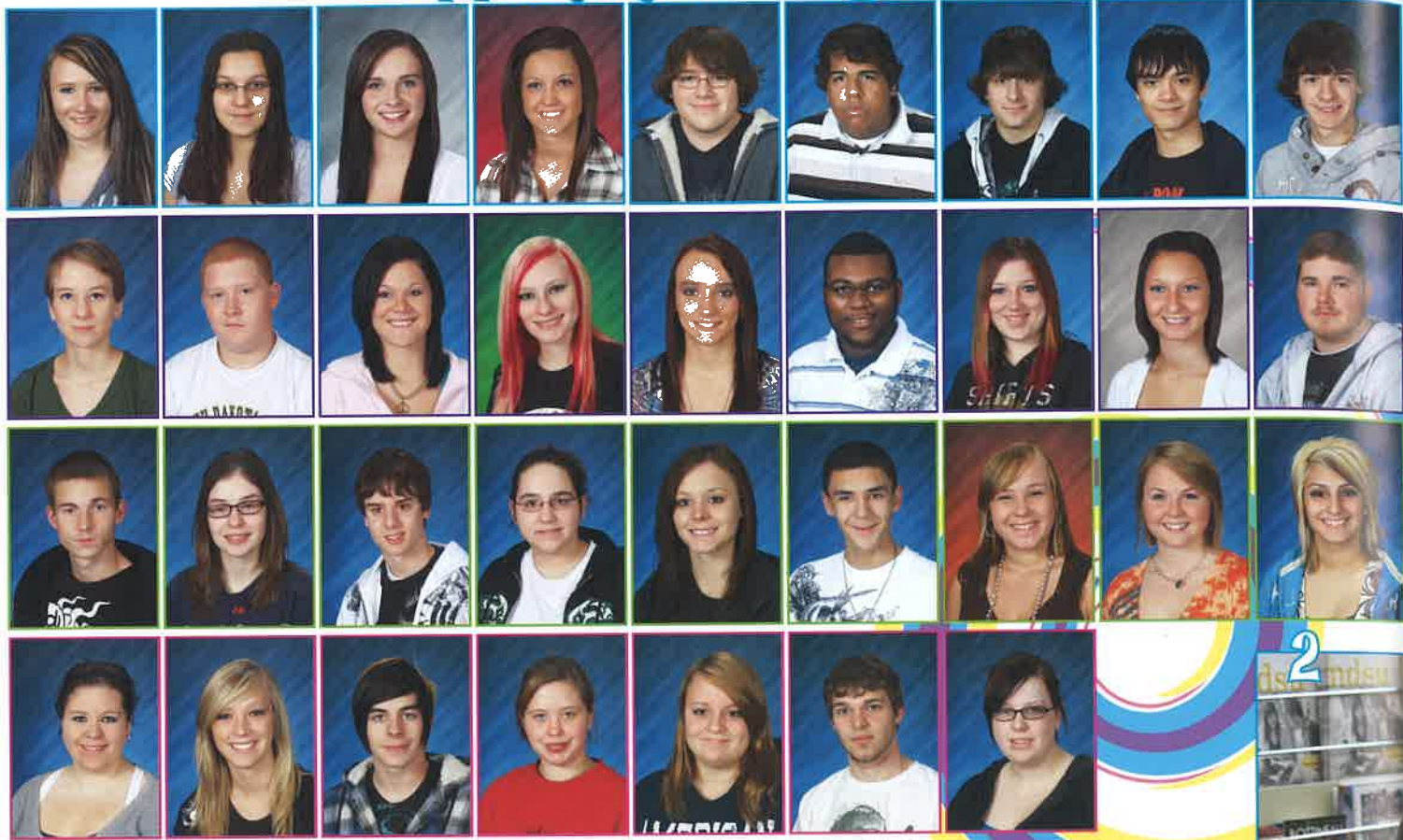


COMMUNITY



1. Celebrating Thanksgiving, Dylan Arechigo and Kelsey Kalstad make faces at one another while eating their Thanksgiving dinner. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 2. During the Fall Community Picnic, John Westrick watches Dylan Reis rock on a frog at Elmwood park. (Photo by Jordi Branten) 3. Sitting on the climbing ropes at Elmwood park, Kyera Heit-Coghill and Tyler Fietzek fight over the ball thrown from Principal Tom Gravel. (Photo by Erikka Holmes) 4. Fighting for the ball.

COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS



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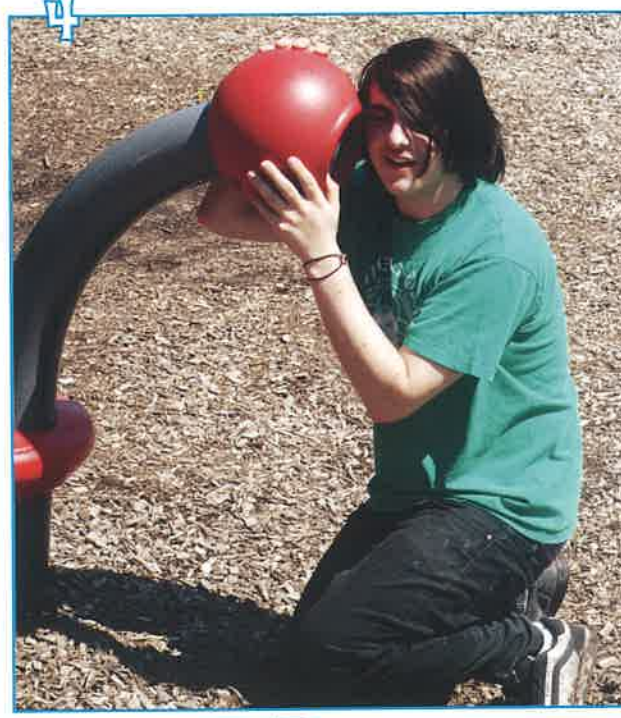
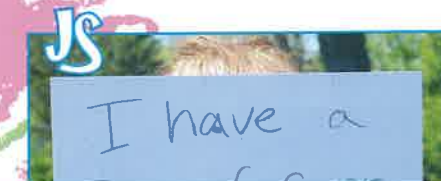


Melissa Anderson
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 Trisha Burney
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 Robin Hill
 Carol Jacobsen
 Angie Keller
 Heather Leas
 Jill Leier
 Kent Monilaws
 Peggy Reiniets

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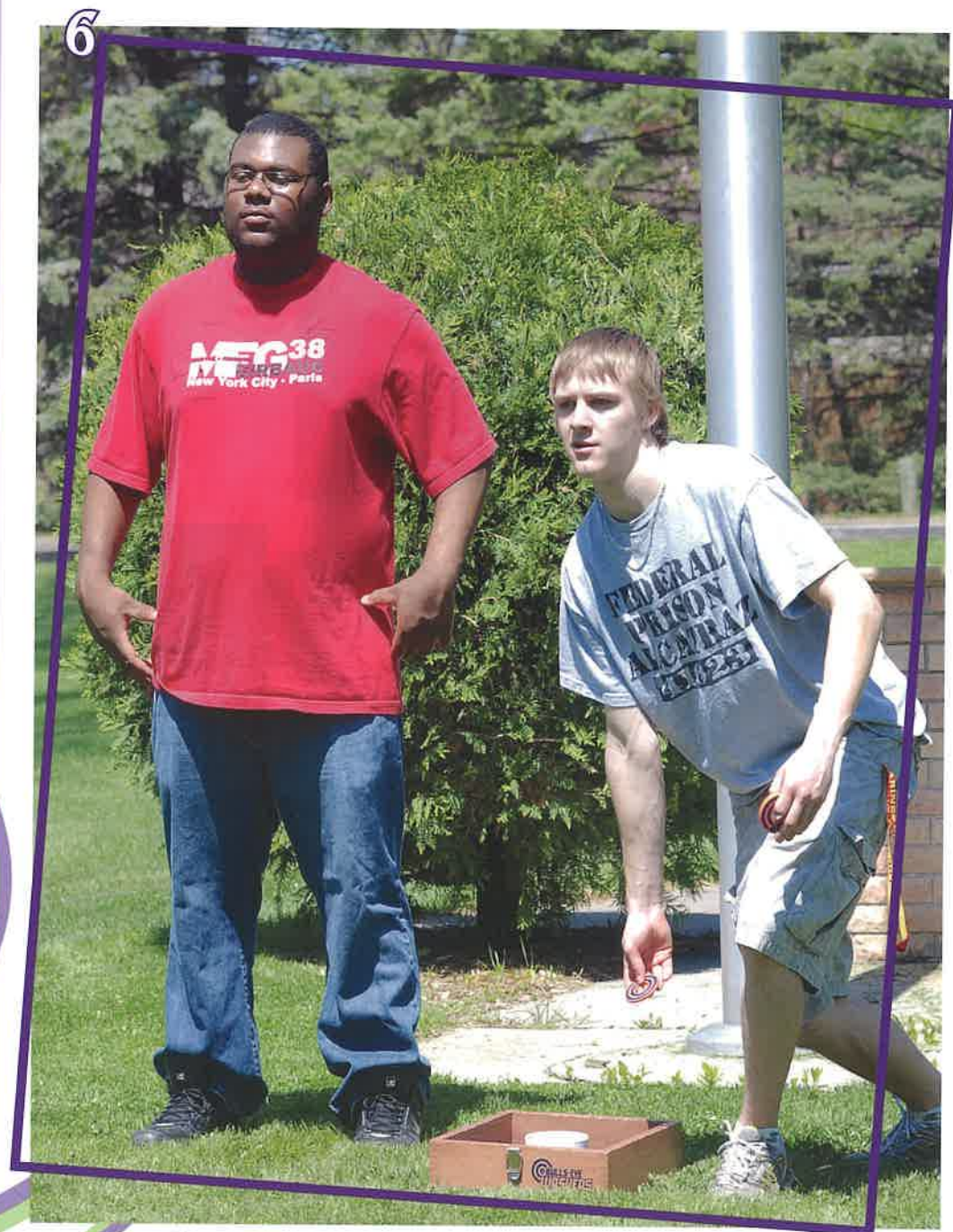


1 PLAYING BULLS-EYE WASHERS during the SPRING PICNIC, Paul Sorvik tosses a washer for his team. (Photo by Devon Cavic) **2** GETTING COMFORTABLE, John Westrick and Lucas Borgerson sit down to their Thanksgiving lunch. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) **3** SPINNING THE MERRY GO ROUND WITH ALL THEIR MIGHT, Darcee Erdmann and Corrine Hansen push Brianna Schell and Courtney Baker at Elmwood Park. (Photo by Devon Cavic) **4** LISTENING TO HIS FRIEND THROUGH THE SPEAKER, Michael Gibbons embraces his inner child during the picnic at Elmwood Park. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) **5** TAKING A BREAK BY THE COOLERS, Chemi Simiyu, Justin Hannenberg and Tanner Grosche laugh with each other at a joke. (Photo by Cristina Martinez)





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1. Enjoying the playground at ELMWOOD park, John Westric sits and relaxes on the swing set. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 2. Teachers LISA FOULKES and JESSIE BIXBY carry on a conversation with students Jessie Anderson and Chandi Bucholz at the fall picnic held at Elmwood park. (Photo by Eriikka Holmes) 3. Having a nice time at the THANKSGIVING dinner, students talk and enjoy the food. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer) 4. Watching their peers, Jessica Paulson and Kyera Heit-Coghill sit and relax in the shade. (Photo by Eriikka Holmes) 5. Laughing with one another, Shelby Bersch and Caitlyn Ackley talk and enjoy themselves at the park. (Photo by Cristina Martinez) 6. Tossing washers, Mario McDonald and Tanner Grosche try to win the game. (Photo by Devon Cavic) 7. Looking at her food options, Kinsey Wolf gets her food at the Thanksgiving meal. (Photo by Tiffany Fitterer)

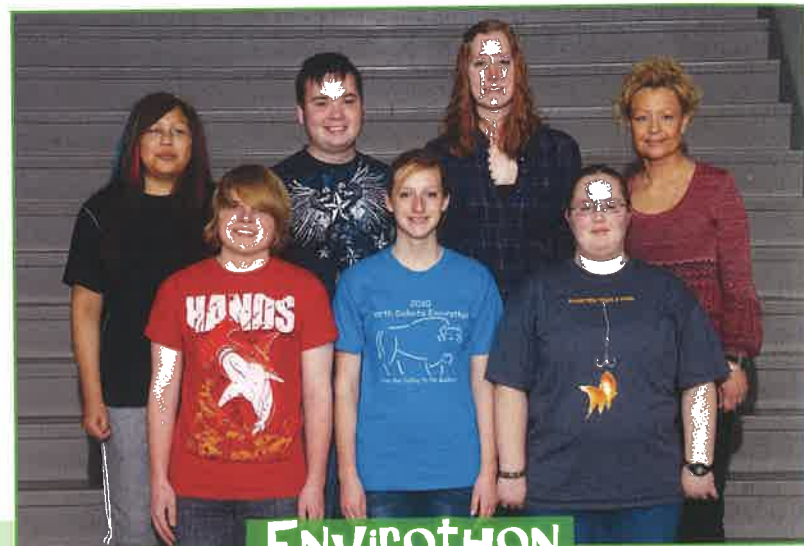




Youth Leadership

Back row: Courtney Ellenson, Nicole Eisenzimmer, Melanie Sopp **Front row:** Danielle Lee, Brienne Marthe

Front row: Breann Lucio, Tanner Logan, Molly Gusaas, Sara Forness (Adviser) **Back row:** Stulken, Amanda Maddux, Barbara-Ann Lytle



Envirothon

Back row: Tanner Logan, Richard Cwibla (Adviser), Matthew Eckelberg **Second row:** Oscar DeLeon, Nicole Olson **Front row:** Katie Birrenkott, Tara Brekke, William Merkel



TSA

Back row: Tanner Logan, Matthew Eckelberg, Eric Syvertson (Adviser), Isabell Soderquist **Second row:** Shannan Gorden, Amanda Maddux, Meranda Harris, Anna **Front row:** Brianna Fitzpatrick, Shandi Mack, Signe Swanson



Paj

Back row: Ryne Schaeffer, Jacob Hanson, Ethan Sorenson, Richard Anderson (Adviser) **Second row:** Daniel Hoy, Peter Tran, Matthew Prochniak, Austin Keller, Levi Bachmeier **Front row:** McKenzie Jaegar, Amy Clark, Madison Anderson, Madison Hausauer



Newspaper

Back row: Julie Hersch (Adviser), Allaire West, Austen McFarren, Brendan Sluke, Emily Holland **Second row:** Kaitlyn Stoppler, Cora Bollinger **Front row:** Sheila Loomis, Katelyn Gunderson, Katerina Voronova



FBLA

Back row: Zachary Neer, Jeremy Murphy (Adviser), **Fourth row:** Cassandra Pillen, Amy Matzke, Anna Samson, Johanna Erickson, Nicole Eisenzimmer, Tiffany Fitterer **Third row:** Tara Miller, Hillary Hugelen, Cristina Martinez, Erika Holmes, Brooke Yochim **Second row:** Jordan Braaten, Emily Shaffer, Kelsey Daul, Samantha Nelson **Front row:** Aren Cossette, Alexis Tschosik, Devon Cavic, Katie Birrenkott, Jessica Schmalz



FCA

Back Row: Jonathan Morken, Matthew Pitzer, Matthew Slocumb (adviser), Rachel Kranda, Mason Herman
Third Row: Ashley Kranda, Paul Pilch, Kevin Roberts, Jesse Brown, Chelsey Fenske
Second Row: Kacie Johnson, Oksana Tyulyandina, Christina Lammers, Mara Johnson
Front Row: Alicia Clark, Kayla Miller, Marcy Harsch, Heather Brasel, Kalen Harsch

Back Row: Rachel Dwyer (adviser), Rachel Kranda, Chelsey Buth, Isabell Soderquist, Robert (adviser)
Third Row: Cora Bollinger, Vanessa Torvik, Amanda Wilkens, Paul Pilch
Second Row: Tayla Wagenman, Rachel Anthony, Jolee French, Mackenzie Maly
Front Row: Katelyn Aswege, Katie Birrenkott, Paige Slater, Madison



FRENCH CLUB

Back Row: Levi Bachmeier, Gary Clark (adviser), Jacob Weible
Third Row: Elizabeth Anderson, Robert Jacobs, Daniel Hoy, Austin Keller, Cody Schill, Corbin Gray
Second Row: Emily Holland, Cassandra Shorma, Tiffanie Wold, Ellie Grooters, Allison Heinen
Front Row: Samantha Pyle, Nicole Schmidt, Madison Anderson, Katelyn Gunderson



PAC

Back Row: Kelley Scheid (adviser), Daniel Hoy, Steven Sola, Jacob Fischer, Daniel Keller, Rachel Dwyer (adviser)
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Front Row:



Back Row: Rebecca Capouch, Austin Keller, Daniel Hoy, Levi Bachmeier, Thane Hillig, Melissa Halda
Third Row: Ellie Grooters, Erin Krogh, Allyson Krogh, Madison Anderson, Ashley Kranda, Alan Repak
Second Row: Alexandra Carthew, Courtney Ellenson, Kacie Johnson, Matt Prochniak, Peter Tran, Faye Stromberg
Front Row: Amy Tran, Samantha Pyle, Kelsey Daul, Natalie Aamot, Alecs Peters



SHAG

Back Row: Christina Walker (adviser), Rachel Kranda, Chelsey Buth, Katelyn Gunderson, William Case, Lisa Mulvaney (adviser)
Third Row: Elizabeth Paul, Kate Woodbury, Cora Bollinger, Cristina Martinez, Christina Lammers, Ashley Kranda, Chelsey Fenske
Second Row: Melanie Sopp, Alexis Greer, Mikayla Dvorak, Samantha Nelson, Katerina Voronova
Front Row: Jasmine Schafer, Heather Brasel, Katie Birrenkott, Marcy Harsch, Megan Sather, Laura Freitag



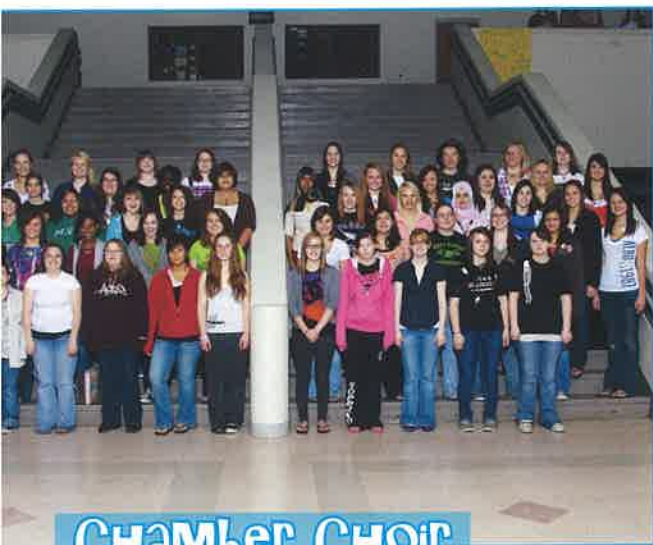
STUDENT COUNCIL

Back Row: Pam Raeszler (adviser)
Third Row: Dylan Lahren, Tylor Pierce, Erica Cox, Dillon Vondal, Angelo Sosa, Taylor LaMont
Second Row: Megan Christensen, Cierra Meisch, Sara Ulmer, Samantha Nelson, Chelsey Taxdahl
Front Row: Makayla Trautman, Natasha Engebetson, Taylor Holmes, Samantha Anderson



Key CLUB

Back Row: Hailee Beck, Courtney Baker, Brianna Schell
Front Row: Corene Geffre (adviser), Angie Dockter, Kyera Heit-Coghill



CHAMBER CHOIR

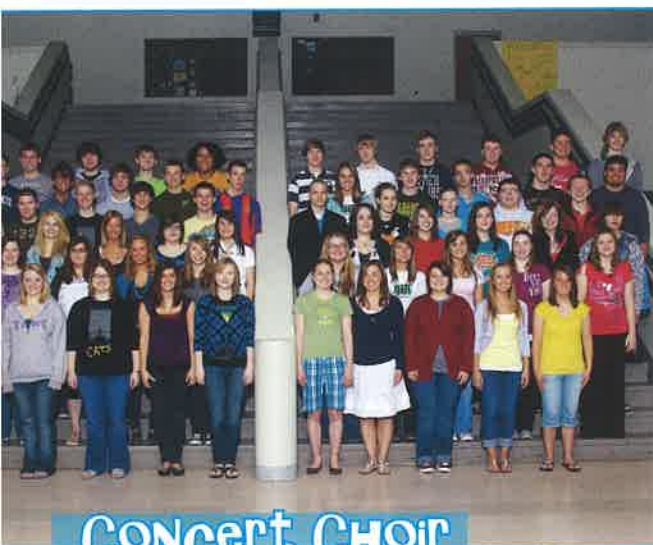
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Fourth Row: Director Jeffrey Mueller, Elizabeth Kimble, Dianna Hesse, Samantha Bruesch, Ayet Ujwok, Courtney Glassmann, Amina Santur, Cassidy Blakeway, Melissa Odden, Grace Folden, Ashley Bogardus, McKenzie Schwark
Third Row: Victoria Lietz, Reba Tschetter, Ashley Braaten, Christine Schmidt, Adelle Nistler, Tarra Miller, Abbee Welken, Nour Al-Abase, Alyssa Olson, Katie Woodbury
Second Row: Viviana Soro, April Zaun, Samantha Wilson, Elah Limerick, Natalie Aamot, Janet Bechtold, Eleni Wilson, Danielle Davila, Tynisha Eidum, Kaylah Machtell, Briann Brink, Crystal Boerger
First Row: Queen Thomas, Casey Robert, Brandi Hatch, Rebekah Stende, Lacey Stearns, Lydia Belcourt, Haley Molitor, Nicole Wegenast, Cassandra Sprung, Erin Kling, Linda Fuller

Third Row: Coty Irwin, Peter Price, Dustin Richard, Blake Schaefer, Beth Berard, Samantha Vigstol, Jacob Olsson, Nick Reitan, Elizabeth Varberg
Second Row: Courtney Glassman, Ryan Ellingson, Samantha Torvik, Alan Repak, Sean Alves, Alocs Peters, Madison Knudson, Paul Cernik, Lacey Hatlestad, Christopher Taylor
First Row: Madelynn Haider, Mackenzie Maly, Rachel Anthony, Karley Schaefer, Katie Arietta, Michale Schuler, Marissa Westall



CONCERT BAND

Back Row: Ryan Olien, Michael Olson, Cydney Sabin, Matthew Bregier, Kelsey Drayton, Jonathan Jahnke, Jesse Rolle, Tyler Busche, Logan Reed, Taylor Birrenkott, Taylor Gjestvang
Fifth Row: Director Jeffrey Mueller, Jordan Degerness, Robert Jacobs, Dillon Knight, Mitchell Krauter, Jesse Brown, Chelsey Fenske, Thomas Pedersen, Jacob Skarsten, Taylor Michels, Jobert Olofernes
Fourth Row: Alyssa Beckius, Anthony Bergan, Nathan Jahnke, Christopher Taylor, Chandler Boehm, Kyle Sample, Jennifer Baumeister, Mae Engstrom, Cody Shill, Aaron Waite
Third Row: Brandon Cossette, Michaela Pytlik, Solveig Swanson, Holly Johnson, Taylor Dahl, Katie Dauwen, Morgan Vogel, Sarah Arnold, Ellen Rossow, Megan Anthony, Nicholas Walvatne
Second Row: Samantha Pyle, Faith Lucia, Shanae Cote, Katherine Roth, Emily Erickson, Andrea Sattler, Marcy Harsch, Samantha Gunning, Sammi Hintz, Dejlana Hodzic
First Row: Linda Fuller, Brittany Masset, Meghan Hanna, Miranda Sprung, Abbey Immer, Alicia Schroeder, Alyssa Scott, Laurel Schuessler, Katelyn Aswege, Heather Brasel



CONCERT CHOIR

Fourth Row: Justin Sabock, Logan Reed, Kyle Roberts, Sadie Waite, Nicholas Cajobe, Francisco Valenzuela, Kenan Fawbush, Ryan Olien, Jacob Mizel, Ethan Hettwer, Joseph Cajobe, Blaze Vigstol, Ethan Sorenson, Meghan Hanna, Mark Neugebauer
Third Row: Jordan Laybourn, Riley Spiker, Christopher Burck, Aaron Waite, Eric Bumeis-Beckius, Amy Tran, Darac Peters, Michael Olson, Michael Hawley, William Skauge, Kalen Harsch, Chemi Simiyu
Second Row: Travis Poitra, Matthew Vogel, Theresa Schlendon, Chelsea Bath, Emma Grant, Samantha Anderson



Back Row: Angela Dockter, Jessica Hasse, Courtney Baker, Laura Tuinstra
Front Row: Kinsey Wolf, Kelsey Kalstad, Carly Cheney



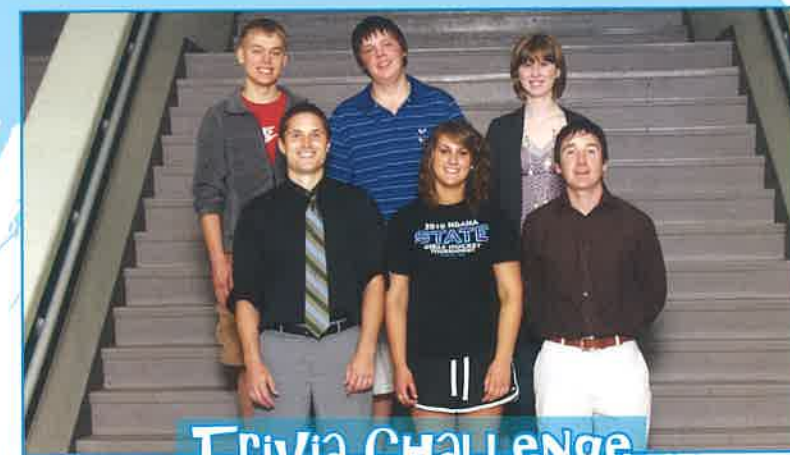
JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Back Row: Jacob Fischer, Matthew Pitzer, Danielle Meyer
Front Row: Advisor Aaron Knodel, Katelyn Gunderson, Advisor Sean Bourke



COMMUNITY PAY

Back Row: Joshua Dauner, Francisco Valenzuela, Logan Reed, Nicholas Cajobe
Second Row: Briana Hartog, Courtney Pederson, Amy Tran, Darac Peters, Michael Olson, Ryan Olien
First Row: Nathan Peterson, Joseph Bjornson, Meghan Hanna, Andrea Sattler, Joseph Cajobe, Sarah Vigstol, Ethan Sorenson, Ethan Hettwer



TRIVIA CHALLENGE

Back Row: Brandee Nordhagen, Chelsea Glassmann, Nicholas Leopold, Lucas Stillwell
Eighth Row: Alicia Clark, Katie Potter, Morgan Tuscherer, Kaitlyn Stoppler, Rachel Kranda
Seventh Row: Taylor Nerby, Branden Smith, Amelia Bixby, Oksana Tyulyandina, Alyssa Laddusaw
Sixth Row: Olivia Cox, Christina Day, Hannah James, Brianna Rorvedt, Brittany Boyer, Megan Broton
Fifth Row: Kaitlin Snead, Stephanie Cossette, Janet Bechtold, Patricia Valenzuela, Michael Knutson
Fourth Row: Jill Downs, Lauren Ugelstad, Hope Twitero, Desiree Logan
Third Row: Kathy Ly, Kelsey Husler, Brandi Hunsicker, Katie Hogan, Rebekah Stende
Second Row: Sheila Loomis, Alixandra Hermanson, Cody Schill, Gabe Wenzelow, Nicholas Larson, Mason Wright
First Row: Spenser Miller

BACK ROW: Jenna Skaff (adviser), Jacob Hanson **SIXTH ROW:** Kelsey Drayton, Jeffrey Gengel, Alexander Erickson, Zachary Steckler, Joshua Klein, Dakota Duncan
THIRD ROW: Nicholas Leopold, Labinot Lika, Jean Arel, Randi Haaland, Courtney Neuleib
FOURTH ROW: Stephanie Shagena, Katie Lee, Courtney Adams, Chandler
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 son, Kelsie Anderson, Brianna Brager, Hillary Hugelen, Jordan Reznecheck, Allison
 nen **FRONT ROW:** Megan Turner, Samantha Eidenschink, Samantha Nelson,
 irim Mani, Victoria Hackett, Jordan Braaten, Erica Bahls



DECA

BACK ROW: Michael Olson, Ryan Olien, Taylor Birrenkott, Logan Miller, Michael Hawley, Jacob Mitzel, Darac Peters, Riley Spiker, Jeffery Keller **EIGHTH ROW:** David Staples, Lucas Byzewski, Joseph Bjornson, Dylan Quern, Diane Hahn, Carissa Becher, Jessica Soucy, Justin Schock, Austin Neu, Ethan Sorenson, Kevin Trowbridge, Kyle Roberts **SEVENTH ROW:** Chelsey Butth, Sadie Waite, Jenna Green, Madison Hausauer, Troy Osmanski, Steven Burdick, Kevin Roberts, Daniel Hoy **SIXTH ROW:** Alyssa Lind, Katelyn Holland, Allison Klug, Kayla Miller, Brianna Berry, Danielle Nelson, Madison Anderson, Ryne Schaeffer, Spencer Flaten, Charlie Wong, Austin Keller **FIFTH ROW:** Kacie Johnson, Cherae Reeves, Jill Gustafson, Christina Bohn, Kristin Kautz, Wenzhu Sun, Jennifer Parsons, Meghan Schreier, Chelsey Fenske, Vanessa Torvik, Brian Djerik, Brandon Tveito **FOURTH ROW:** Katie Wendt, Jillian Bechtold, Sarah Arnold, Michaela Pytlík, Emma Grant, Katerina Voronova, Shandi Mack, Courtney Adams, Kaitlyn Jacobsen, Amy Matzke, Katelyn Gunderson, Kelsey Schaefer, Tiffanie Wold **THIRD ROW:** Devon Cavic, Elizabeth Paul, Melanie Sopp, Briana Keller, Briana Hartog, Ty Zaczkowski, Malayia Johnson, Amy Clark, Nicole Peterson, Amy Tran, Holly Johnson, Johanna Erickson **SECOND ROW:** Emily Shaffer, Amanda Wilkins, Thomas Kuehn, Brianne Marthe, Meghan Hanna, Chelsea Hedstrom, Katelynn Dauwen, Brittany Boyer, Samantha Gunning, Samantha Pyle, Samantha Eidenschink, Cristina Martinez **FRONT ROW:** Lisa Nguyen, Ryan Binde, Megan Rotert, Jasmine Schafer, Kelli DuBord, Danielle Lee, Alyssa Scott, Alicia Schroeder, Melissa Van Cleve, Katelyn Aswege, Laura Mikkelsen, Heather Brazel



NHS

BACK ROW: Jordan Degerness, Lucas Stillwell, Taylor Gjestvang, Sarah Tron (adviser) **FIFTH ROW:** le Wohlman, Matthew Bregier, Tyler Bucshe, Nate Gilbraith, Taylor Birrenkott
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Drama Club

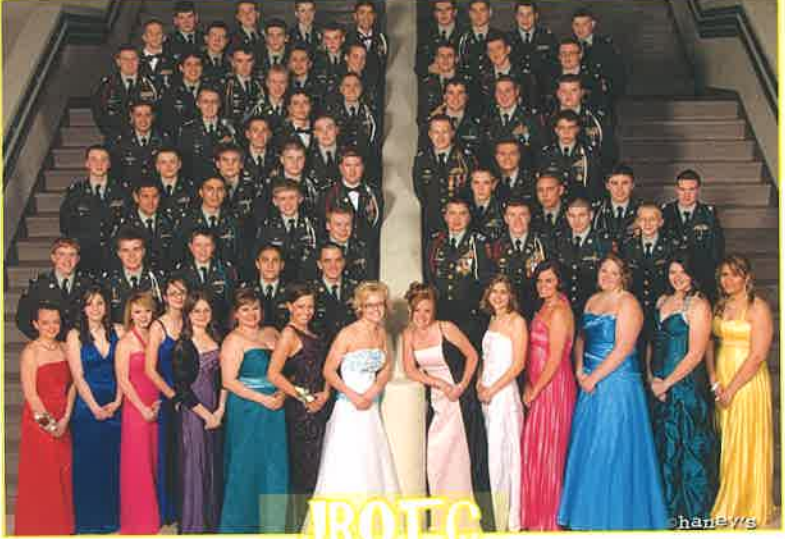
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Student Congress

BACK ROW: Zachary Vetter, Kenneth Griesbach, Jonathan Du Shane, William Case, Tanner Parr, Jacob Weible, Bo Dahl **NINTH ROW:** Zachary Neer, Lane Doxtader, Dominic Mugavero, Tanner Bjorland, Brady Bahls **EIGHTH ROW:** Joshua Hedstrom, Koda Jordet, Garret Irwin, Alex Katers, Tony Shulz, Taylor Quinn, Jason Dvorak, Dacota Anderson **SEVENTH ROW:** Oman Alabase, Taylor Cable, Tyler Bertsch, Thane Hillig, Alex Omeara, Thomas Geary, Tyler Laufenberg, Ryan Wold **SIXTH ROW:** Tyler Lenertz, Cody Fry, Michael Braaten, Lucas Raile **FIFTH ROW:** Jonathan Hunter, Cody Moen, Shelby Shulz, Garret Wold, Anthony Bergan, William Swenson **FOURTH ROW:** Amer Yousif, Ram Al Iedani, Christopher Wilson, Taylor Dwyer, Javier Ortiz, Nathan Engen, Garret Sjue **THIRD ROW:** Chase Akers, Donald Halverson, Kasey Lynn, Cody Erstad, Jamz Thompson **SECOND ROW:** Jordan Hovde, Adam Thomte, Logan Trenda, Angelo Sosa, Sawyer Faltersack **FRONT ROW:** Shelby Moen, Katie Myers, Breanna Johnston, Danielle Griesbach, Jasmine Parreault, Delphine Martinez, Danielle Kartes, Shelby Lewis, Elizabeth Kimble, Dianna Hesse, Destiny Amundson, Erica Cox, Jennifer Du Shane, Sura Abdulrazzaq

BACK ROW: Jared Gibbon, Matthew Pitzer, Connor Wright, Katelyn Gunderson, Alex Kuchta, Sebastian Carcoana, Nicholas Strom, Leah Camery, Ethan Paulson **FRONT ROW:** Abbey Immer, McKenzie Schwark, Kayla Hawley, Londyn Lorenz, Tara Brekke, Theresa Schlanger, Danielle Meyer, Cassandra Baumgartner



JROTC

BACK ROW: Jessica Raile (adviser), Benjamin Ballweber, Jacob Metcalf, Kevin Roberts, Kyle Roberts, Taylor Birrenkott, Sonja Butenhoff (adviser) **FOURTH ROW:** Chelsey Butth, Kelsey Drayton, Courtney Neuleib, Mary Gust, Carissa Becher, Mary De Jong, Andrea Muller, Whitney Walsh, Katelyn Holland, Danielle Nelson **THIRD ROW:** Cora Bollinger, Courtney Ellenson, Oksana Tyulyandina, Kacie Johnson, Nicholas Walvatne, Melanie Sopp, Amy Clark, Amy Matzke, Kelsey Schaefer, Nicole Eisenzimmer, Amanda Reiter, Colin James **SECOND ROW:** Hillary Hugelen, Kaylee Lothspeich, Katlyn Springer, Kathryn Petersen, Brianne Marthe, Dejjana Hodzic, Jordan Reznecheck, Alexis Greer, Paige Swanson, Jaime Springer **FRONT ROW:** Megan Rotert, Kelsey Daut, Samantha Eidenschink, Paige Slater, Danielle Lee, Devon Cavic, Sierra Senger, Megan Turner, Jasmine Schafer, Katie Birrenkott



Prom Committee





Football

atie Wibbels, Brittany Rheault, Morgan Stirling, Sierra Peterson, Chelsey Buth, Anderson, Head Coach Dan Wolf
Second Row: Kaitlyn Jacobsen, Courtney Johnson, Claire Eidenschink, Alexis Lennon
Front Row: Haley Johnson, Lexi Wasem, Samantha Pyle, McCall Brown, Ashley Bixby

Back Row: Student Assistant Tiffany Fitterer, John Wilson, Labinot Lika, Charlie Shorma, Chase Farkas, Austin Nelson, Jacob Bucholz, Brady Schwartz, Christopher Williams, Bret Dolan, Kevin Klaers, Ken Miller
Third Row: Thomas Lipp, Jonathan Pistorius, Troy Osmanski, Drew Lemke, Adam Solum, Tanner Fontaine, Steven Moroz, Jordan Rasmussen, Taylor Herk, Jared Steinberger, Connor Ellegard, Dylan Quern, Seth Pega
Second Row: Cody Albert, Ryan Hansen, Ruoy Lulut, Jackson Lahren, Zachary Neer, Matthew Ruff, Tyler Kennedy, Steven Burdick, Jacob Kiefer, Ross Montgomery, Charlie Luong, Alex Fontaine, Brandon Gibson, Forrest Fretheim
Front Row: Austin Streifel, Jacob Hermanson, Michael Reiner, Jordan Gleasson, Zachary Vetter, Paris Malaterre, Nathan Stanczyk, Tyler Lehmann, Scott Schiller, Mason Herman, Jonathan Morken, Levi Bachmeier, Bryce Jorgenson



Girls Golf

Back Row: Head Coach Joe Bailey, Assistant Coach Bradley Amundson
Fourth Row: Nathaniel Peterson, Dan Hulbert, Michael Hawley, Justin Schock, Spencer Uetz, Erich Hahn, Tony Schulz
Third Row: Kyle Bailey, Thane Hillig, Levi Lepird, Darin Baltezare, Scott Salter
Second Row: Nathan Aswege, Kasey Lynn, Shane Hillen, Andrew Hoeger, Connor Hennen, Aaron Waite
Front Row: Austin Albrecht, Cody Grosz, Jamison Gehrig, Nathan Gilliss, Lukas Johnson, Thomas Kuehn, Ryan Binde, Nathan Mulske, Alec Rutten, Jacob Lardy, Ross Pergande



Boys Cross Country

Coach Sean Bourke, Kyle Roberts, Brett Garske, Jordan Degerness, Head Coach
Second Row: Walker Degerness, Kevin Roberts, Logan Reed, Benjamin Nelson, Michael Holland
Front Row: Nicholas Sikorski, Thomas Meyer, Brady Ballweber, Keyan Farahmand



Back Row: Head Coach Joe Bailey, Christine Baltezare, Kaitlyn Stoppler, Hillary Olheiser, Britny Bucholz, Ellie Grooters, Cora Bollinger, Assistant Coach Bradley Amundson
Third Row: Amanda Levin, Jennifer Parsons, Alissa Mears, Emma Grant, Kylie Shorma
Second Row: Jaeden Metcalf, Jessica Rosenau, Taylor Perry, Leanna Saville, Cailey Sauvageau, Alexis Young
Front Row: Suzy Dullum, Chenelle Parr, Alicia Schroeder, Leah Hermanson, Amanda Mears, Brooke Grooters, Jaurdyn Gilliss



Boys Soccer

Back Row: Student Manager Jared Sykora, Alyssa Livermont, Libby Varber, Hannah James, Alyssa Olson, Rachel Kranda, Kenna Jo Sand, Danica Dutt, Carley Rortvedt, Samantha Gunning, Madison Neva
Third Row: Brianna Rortvedt, Makenzie Preston, Diving Coach Misty tomchub, Meghan Schreier, Amy Doll, Jill Bechtold, Chelsea Gentzkow, Ashley Kranda, Madison Anderson, Head Coach Marsha Dahl, Coach Jeff Steele, Student Manager Callie Katers
Second Row: Krista Windjue, Haley Hugelen, Jamee Martin, Julissa Johnson, Cora Riehl, Brianna Paul, Ivy Mittelsteadt, Marisol Rios, Alexa Olson, Jordan Kuhn, Natalie Shea, Hannah Reis
Front Row: Morgan McDougall, Aubrey Wentz, Jessica Qian, Andrea Wagemann, Paige Weisz, Makayla Henricks, Jasmine Stark, Rachael McGrady, Hannah McMahon



Girls Cross Country

Back Row: Student Manager Katelyn Peterson, Kody Duncan, Jade Johnson, Justin Conrad, Matthew Bond, Zachary Grindahl, Brandon Beyer, Ryns Schaeffer, Head Coach Doug Millar, Coach James Moe
Second Row: Student Manager Kelsey Kloos, Braden Schmid, Jacob Dufault, Nicholas Strom, Paul Lancton, Daniel Hoy, Austin Dillard, Nicholas Larson, Ryder Neva, Student Manager Jaime Springer, Coach Scott Flores
Front Row: Christian Mohan, Mark Neugebauer, Joshua Hanson, Adam Mackovic, Ahmed Lafta, Tarley Baye, Jacob Kroke, Ransi Thomas, Dhurim Mani



Girls Swimming & Diving

Back Row: Coach Twila Bensen, Coach Mackenzie Odden, Rachelle Albert, Katelyn Holland, Rachel Hummel, Carissa Becher, Danielle Nelson, Cherae Reeves, Head Coach Paula Pierson
Second Row: Student Manager Mickayla Dvorak, Hayley Miller, Alexis Greer, Callie Grotjohn, Allison Barta, Jill Gustafson, Katie Woodbury, Hannah Schnepf, Student Manager Kelly Mulvaney
Front Row: Paige Swanson, Katherine Anderson, Kristin Kautz, Jenna Green, Courtney Voeller, Kelsey Daul



Boys Basketball

Back Row: Coach Rick Anderson, Nicholas Williams, Jonathan Pistorius, Michael Spieker, Mohamed Mohamud, Tanner Dahl **Middle Row:** Coach Jim Jonas, Austin Nelson, Michael Hawley, Justin Schock, Grant Ringdahl, Christopher Williams, Kolby Schmidt, Head Coach Greg Limke **Front Row:** Student Manager Jacob Metcalf, Dan Hoy, Chase Farkas, Brady Schwartz, Spencer Flaten, Brock Evenson, Coach Dale Olson

Student Coach Allison Klug, Jaime Springer, Briana Keller, Courtney Ellenson, Britney Yliniemi, Tia Lopez **Middle Row:** Coach Darin Bardahl, Brooke Yochim, Kacie Johnson, Alyssa Lind, Randi Haaland, Katelyn Peters, Student Manager Andrea Muller, Head Coach Pat Johnson **Front Row:** Hayley Walsh, Jessica Rosenau, Melanie Sopp, Kaylee Lothspeich, Katlyn Kolrud, Andrea Klug



Girls Hockey

Back Row: Head Coach Jordan Jost, Coach Kallista Nilson, Coach Gretchen Staflien **Third Row:** Elizabeth Kossan, Amy Matzke, Crystal Boerger, Alexis Cowley, Madison Novacek, Kylie Davis **Second Row:** Ashley Vangerud, Allison Heinen, Brooke Freeman, Jordan Reznecheck, Ashley Gerdes, Ashley Swart, Amber Swart **Front Row:** Madison Beyer, Katelyn Groth, Shantell Olson, Brianna Gratz, Sasha Steichen, Madison Schommer



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Girls Basketball



Boys Hockey

Back Row: Student Assistant Marisha Khunger, Co-Head Coach Troy Miller, Gage Shoman, Brandon Tendeland, Nathan Borchardt, Dustin Jonasson, Dustin Munyer, Derek Sand, Charles Torrance, Conor Jonasson, Co-Head Coach Timothy Capouch, Student Assistant Rebecca Capouch **Front Row:** Jared Cowden, Braden Schmid, Jacob Ferguson, Jeremy Johnson, Kyle Shoman, Joshua Hanson, Cameron Holland, Landon Knoll, Tanner Lautt, Austin Dillard, Nicholas Fladland, Cody Drees

Back Row: Beth Beyer, Alayna Krantz **Second Row:** Ashley Ridder, Chelsea Hermanson, Cheyenne Rust **Front Row:** Kelsey Thoreson, Sara Beyer, Jennifer Haaland



Cheer Team



Back Row: Student Manager Ashley Kranda, Diving Coach Misty Tomchuk, Jeffery Keller, Nicholas Reitan, Tyler Laufenberg, Elijah Morman, Riley Spiker, Adam Smestad, Jarred Grindahl, Jacob Weible, Coach Erich Richardson, Head Coach Marsha Dahl, Student Manager Cody Smith **Third Row:** Daniel Hulbert, Aaron Waite, Brady Sykora, Jared Sykora, Ryder Neva, Austin Keller, Kyle Roberts, Kevin Roberts, Tyler Kovarik, Alex Smestad, Ethan Doll **Second Row:** Cameron Dutt, Cole Holoien, Jacob Lardy, Jarod Smith, Adam Cripe, Garret Sjuve, Nicholas Huseby, Branden Smith, Alan Repak, Alexander Katers, Timothy **Front Row:** Marshall Clayton, Dylan Spitzer, Austin Chase, Cody Eisenbeiz,



Boys Golf

Back Row: Coach Chuck Gad, Luke Olson, Aaron Lind, Matthew Pitzer, Coach Steve Anderson
Third Row: Nicholas Evin, Ryan Olien, Steven Moroz, Jared Cowden, Connor Holland, John Sund
Second Row: Spencer VanGuilder, Jeremy Johnson, Payton Johnson, Robert Lytle, Logan Palmer
Front Row: Todd Dent, Tyler Crouse, Chase Pulczynski, Riley Johnson

Back Row: Coach Mark Woodbury, Coach Terry Stargardt, Student Manager Alicia Clark, Trainer Melanie Sopp, Student Manager Brandi Hatch, Head Coach Pat Johnson
Middle Row: Allison Klug, Oksana Tyulyandina, Danielle Nelson, Carissa Becher, Nicole Mer, Kacie Johnson, Madison Anderson
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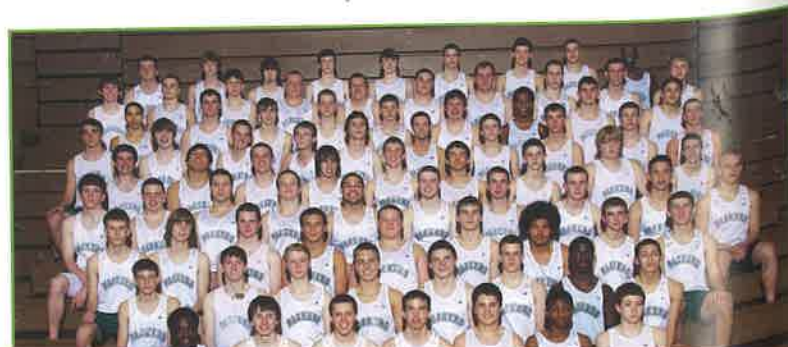
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Front Row: Sawyer Uetz, Astrid Chavez, Ashley Krsnak, Nikki Nguyen, Chenelle Parr, Brooke Grooters, Taylor Bates, Samantha Brown



Girls Track

Back Row: Dustin Null, Aric Stormon, James Heinen-Lugert, Austin Althoff, Blake Schaefer, Spentaine, Spencer Uetz, Tanner Fontaine, Victor Soro
Eighth Row: Bradyn Bohnen-Lahren, Jeffrey Keller, Forrest Pretheim, Tyler Kennedy, Ross Montgomery, Nicholas Steinberger, Michael Reiner, Ethan Sorenson, Tyler Wentz
Seventh Row: Nicholas Sorenson, Thomas Geary, Devin Hillman, Jordan Bishoff, Chaz Gunderson, Jonah Vane, Felebandja, Jordan Olson, Nicholas Cajobe
Sixth Row: Drew Johnson, Taylor Cole, Zach Giffund, Nate Peterson, Shane Hillen, Brendan Sluke, Ryne Schaeffer, As Larson, Shane Siverson
Fifth Row: Colton Schulz, Paris Malaterre, Matthew Ruff, Levi Bachmeier, Michael Pierce, Brennan Lemar, Davis Dube, Darin Baltzore



Back Row: Head Coach Joniathan Melendez, Coach Benjamin Patrie, Student Manager Bri-
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 Derek Dreher, Student Manager Brady Rotert, Coach Johanna Haerter, Coach James Moe
Third Row: Lauren Johnson, Amy Doll, Tia Lopez, Paige Swanson, Kayla Miller, Megan
 Rotert
Second Row: Alyssa Stedman, Courtney Voeller, Allyson Krogh, Andrea Muller,
 Erin Krogh, Allison Barta, Kelsey Kloos
Front Row: Maranda Thomason, Hillary Hugelen,
 Alyssa Lind, Melissa Halda, Amanda Wagemann, Kaylee Lothspeich



Baseball

Back Row: Coach Sean Bourke, Student Manager Kyle Roberts, Mariah Stein, Student
 Manager Ben Ballweber, Head Coach Chad Anderson
Middle Row: Kaylee Stock, MacK-
 enzie Tucker, Cassandra Smith, Brooke Christensen, Jillian Bechtold, Megan Broton
Front Row: Samantha Smith, Sarina Olson, Katie Baasch, Beth Anderson, Jaurdyn Gillis



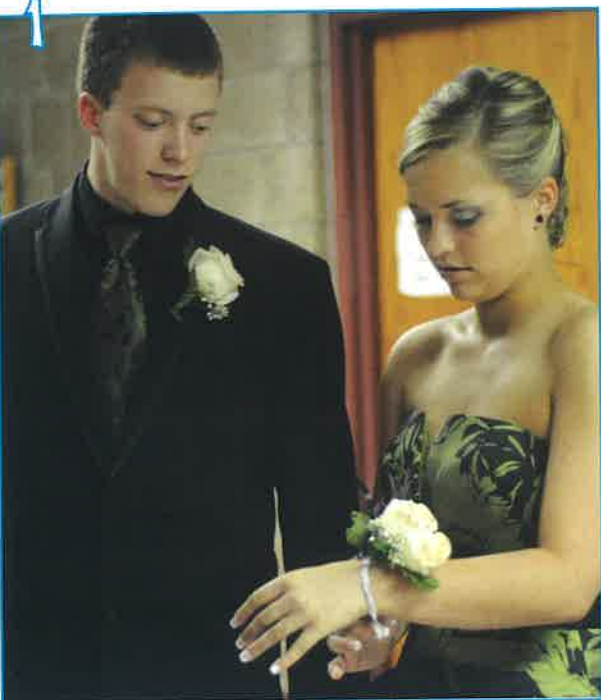
Girls Soccer

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 Coach Brett Peterson
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 Schmidt, Cody Albert
Front Row: Dan Hoy, Jacob Hermanson, Andrew Young, Spencer
 Flaten, Austin Horsager, Austin Dillard



Girls Tennis





1 WHILE WAITING TO WALK THROUGH GRAND MARCH, junior Katlyn Springer adjusts her corsage as junior Brandon Tendeland watches. (Photo by Devon Covic) **2** AFTER FOUR YEARS OF HIGH SCHOOL, senior Megan Anthony receives her diploma during the ceremony on May 30th. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **3** SIGNING HER NAME, senior Austin Neu completes her chalk drawing of the Cheshire Cat. (Photo by Nicole Eisenhammer) **4** AFTER STUDENTS FINISH THEIR FINAL, World History teacher Matthew Slocumb and sophomore Spencer Miller perform Foo Fighters "Everlong" for the class. (Photo by Samantha Nelson) **5** WORKING FOR PROM COMMITTEE, junior Jordan Reznecheck uses spray adhesive to get the leaves of the tree attached. (Photo by Katie Birrenkott) **6** BELTING IT OUT AT POST-GRAD, senior Andrea Sattler, and juniors Miranda Sprung and Connor Wright sing "It's Raining Men". (Photo by Katie Birrenkott)



Nobody could have expected the events of 2010. Students unexpectedly injured in the Powderpuff game; boys hockey unexpectedly beating Grand Forks Red River in the EDC state-qualifying game, allowing them a spot at state and ending Red River's 46th year streak at state; wrestlers unexpectedly breaking Bismarck's 10th consecutive year of winning the State Dual Championships; the community unexpectedly supporting the seniors after they sandbagged exits to the school for the senior prank; girls soccer unexpectedly claiming a state title. Every day was full of unexpected events. The way people reacted to these unexpected events helped create memories that will stay with us forever. For this reason, we should love expecting the unexpected.

Brooke Yochim
Brooke Yochim

SHANDI MACK



"You're only as tall as your heart will let you be, and you're only as small as the world will make you seem!" - Nevershoutnever
Congratulations honor grad! We are so proud of you and all that you have accomplished. For the young woman who adds so much to our lives...thank you for all the wonderful memories. Let success be measured by the happiness in your heart.

We love you, Mom and Dad



SHANNON WRIGHT



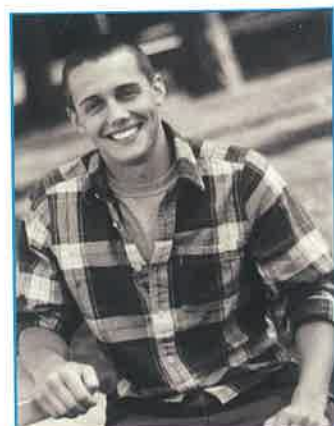
We are all very proud of you. We wish you happiness and success in everything you do.

Love you,
Debbie and family

Jacob Kiefer

Congratulations, Jacob! We are so proud of you.

Love, Dad, Mom, Anna,
Abby and Hank



ERIK SHEEHAN



We are so proud of you!!!!
Good luck at NDSU

Love,
Mom, Alex and Joel

AUSTIN NEU

Congratulations. Keep smiling.

Love, Mom and Dad



Trevor Brossart

You have grown into such an outstanding and handsome young man and I couldn't be prouder!

Love, Mom



JOHANNA ERICKSON

Continue on your journey. Make wise decisions and always remember to have fun along the way. We are very proud of your choices, accomplishments and personality! Love you forever,
Mom and Dad



AARON WIER SMA

It seems like just yesterday I dropped you off for your first day of preschool. As much as I wish you could stay my little boy forever, I'm excited about your future. You're an amazing young man and I know you'll do great things. Words can't explain how proud I am of you. I love you more than you'll ever know.

Love, Mom

JACK STROMBERG

Now summertime is done and golden rods aglow. We sing for schools begun and good friends say hello! (gotcha one last time buddy!)

Love you!
Mom, Dad, Robyn.





Ryan Binde

We loved you as a little child,
With your sunny smile and hair so wild,
We loved the boy who learned and grew,
We love the man you've turned into.
Congratulations on your high school graduation.
We love you so much and are so proud of you!
Love, Mom and Dad



Alex Erickson



We are so proud of you!
The years went by so fast.
We wish you the best of
luck as you start your
new adventure.

Love, Mom and Dad



Matthew Strahm



We are so proud of you!
Never let the fear of striking
out keep you from playing
the game.

Love, Mom and Dad

Laura Freitag

Congratulations Laura! We're all so proud of
you!! On the next chapter of your life you'll do
GREAT! We all love you very much!

Love, Mom, Dad,
Christina, Ron and Eric



Briana Bitterman



Congratulations we are
so proud of you. May all
your dreams come true.

Love, Mom and Woody



Katerina Voronova

Dear Katerina! We love you and wish you a
happy, successful and funny future! May all
your dreams come true!

Yours,
Mama and Papa



Robert Lytle



Congratulations! We are proud of
your commitment to the Marine
Corps and our country.

Mom and Dad



TIFFANY UTKE, SAM NICHOLSON and KATELYN ASWEGE

Cousins are those childhood playmates
who grow up to be forever friends.

Proud of you always,
Love, your families



Matt Bond

From one graduation to the
next. We are proud of you and
wish you success and happiness
in your future!

Love you, Mom, Dad,
Jason and Kaylee



Kayla Miller

Congratulations!! Follow your
dreams and remember to
focus on the journey, not the
destination. Enjoy the ride.

We love you,
Mom and Dad



Nick Randall

Congratulations, Nick. So glad you are ready
to move on to your next chapter in life.

Love, Mom and Dad



Katie Lee

I am so very proud
of the woman you
have become. Stay
true to yourself.
Good luck.

Love,
Mom



Matthew Bregier

Who is the best
"Waiter" in WFHS?
Matthew Bregier,
best waiter, in "The
Pajama Game" and
"Lucky Stiff".

Congratulations,
Mom and Travis



MADISON ANDERSON

"Around here, however, we don't look back-
wards for very long. We keep moving for-
ward, opening up new doors and doing new
things ... and curiosity keeps leading us down
new paths." - Walt Disney

We love you, Madi.

Mom, Dad and Morgan



ALYSSA LIND

Congratulations Alyssa! Time has gone way
too fast but we knew this day would come. We
are very proud of your accomplishments and
wish you the very best in the future.

Love, Mom, Dad,
Aaron and Grant



Carleigh and Chelsea Hedstrom

From the day you were born you have decorated
my life. I am so proud of you! You inspire me!

Love always, Mom



Lexi Jackson

We are "jumping" for
joy for all that you
have accomplished
and for being
successful in all that
you do. You are our
shining star and we
are so very proud of
you. Happy
graduation and the
bright future ahead
of you.

Love Always, Mom
and Larry, Travis,
Seth, Josh and Taylor



Andrew Braaten

Andy,
 DREAM YOUR DREAMS...
 BELIEVE YOUR DREAMS...
 ACHIEVE YOUR DREAMS!

Take pride in who you are
 And in what you do and
 SUCCESS will follow!

Love, Dad and Jordi, Grandma
 and Grandpa Iwen, Grandpa
 Braaten, Pam and Reier



Corbin Gray

Corbin, your graduation brings to mind so many fun times
 and proud moments. And now, there are so many good
 wishes for all the happiness and success your talents will surely

bring you!

I love you!

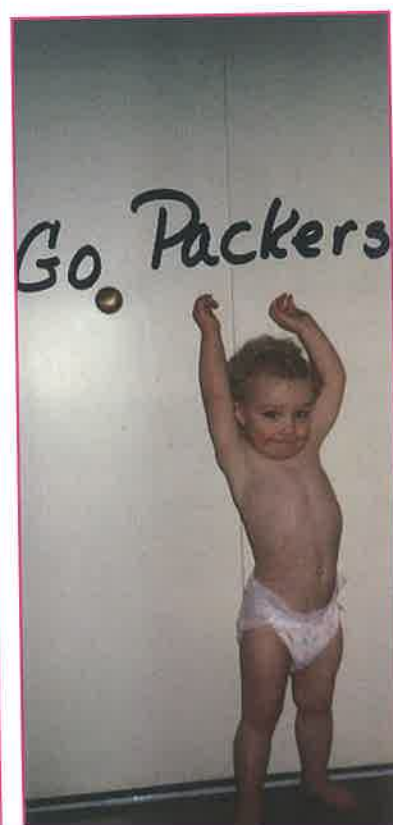
Mom XOXO



Leah Camery

Dreamer-Seeker-Doer-Woman of the World... For all you are, all
 you will be, thank you; For being a wonderful daughter, sister,
 auntie and friend, thank you. May the world greet you with a smile
 wherever your imagination takes you.

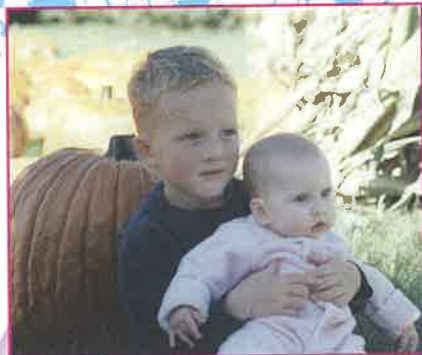
Love,
 Your family and friends



MIKE BRAATEN

Mike,
Congratulations! Spread your wings,
it's time for you to fly!

Love Mom, Dad and Katie, Grandpa Bob and Grandma Joey and Grandpa Merrill and Grandma Norene



Yearbook Seniors

The combination of your effort and your unique personalities made this year one to remember. You will be missed.

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