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# WEST FARGO '15 HIGH SCHOOL

West Fargo High School  
West Fargo, ND



# Connected in more ways than one

As we enter the school every year, the same emotions arise. Sophomores will try to find a place where they fit in, juniors will be stressed about studying for their ACT and seniors will face the decisions they have been putting off their entire life.

But even as everyone is facing their own challenges, the student body also faces the challenge of competing against another West Fargo School. The Shyenne Mustangs are in the final stages of converting from a school of only freshmen to a fully functioning high school.

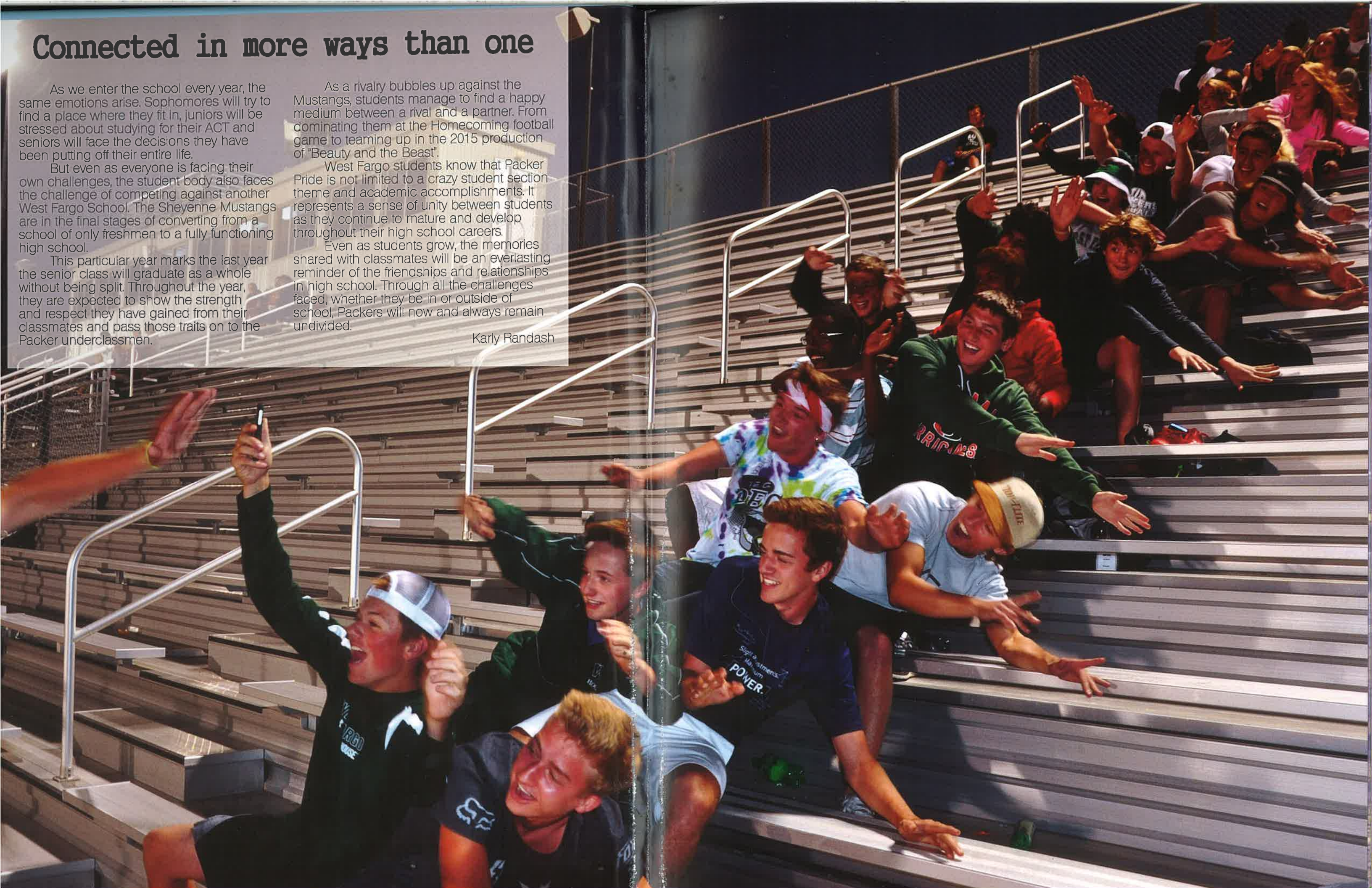
This particular year marks the last year the senior class will graduate as a whole without being split. Throughout the year, they are expected to show the strength and respect they have gained from their classmates and pass those traits on to the Packer underclassmen.

As a rivalry bubbles up against the Mustangs, students manage to find a happy medium between a rival and a partner. From dominating them at the Homecoming football game to teaming up in the 2015 production of "Beauty and the Beast".

West Fargo students know that Packer Pride is not limited to a crazy student section theme and academic accomplishments. It represents a sense of unity between students as they continue to mature and develop throughout their high school careers.

Even as students grow, the memories shared with classmates will be an everlasting reminder of the friendships and relationships in high school. Through all the challenges faced, whether they be in or outside of school, Packers will now and always remain undivided.

Karly Randash



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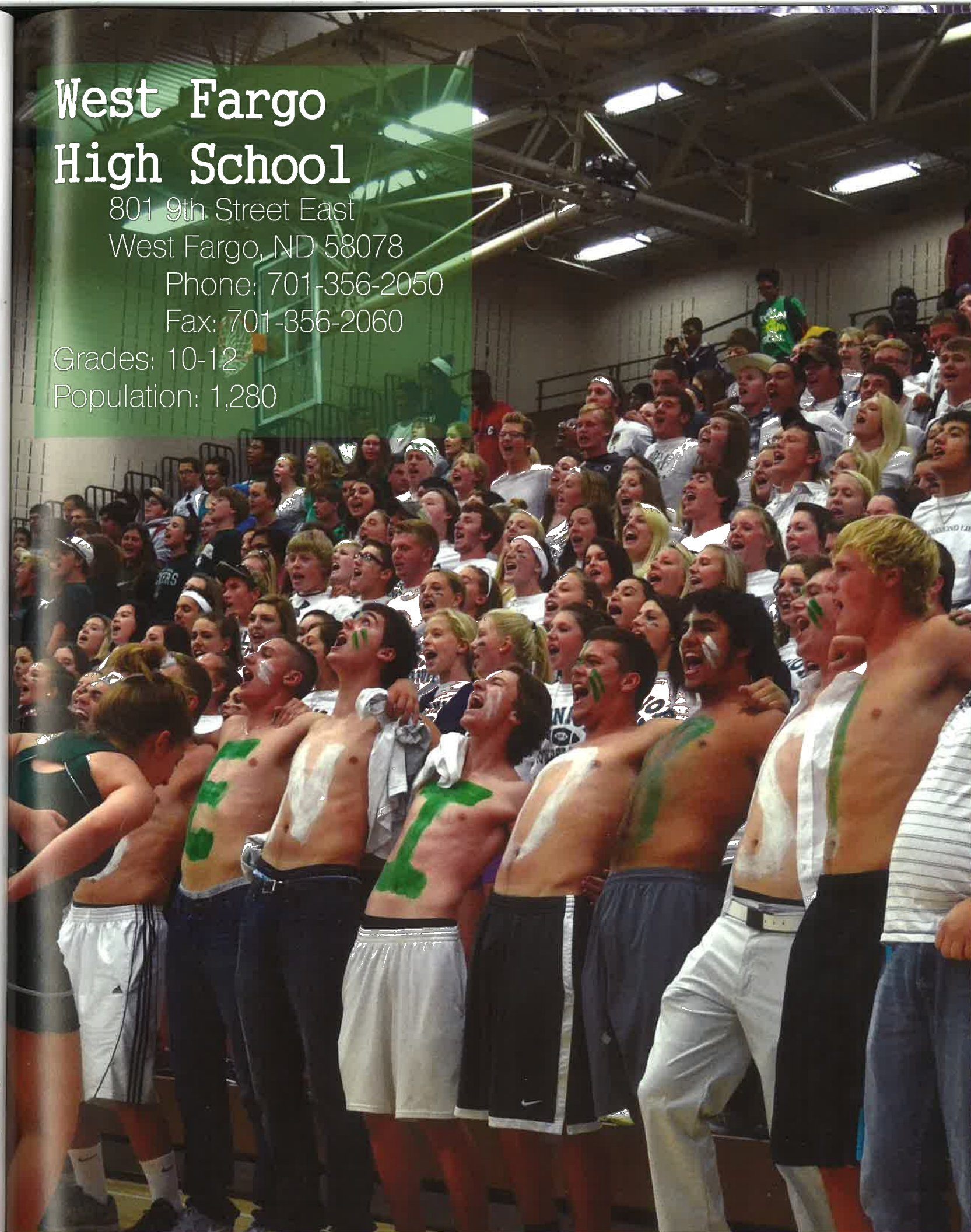
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Grades: 10-12

Population: 1,280



## Sophomore



"In the theater department for one act's I got a lead and I was pretty excited about that." Max Adams, 10



"I really liked going to Canada for French because we got to experience a different culture." Mjwok Ariang, 10



"When Maddie Kramer spit milk out of her nose at lunch." Nicole Schreiner, 10

## Junior



"The best moment was when I got my CNA license because I got my license while in school and at the age of 16." Hodan Mohamed, 11



"The moment of this year for me was when I realized what I want to do with my future. This is because I'll be a senior next year and I'm glad that I'll be going to college with a plan to major in business and marketing." Brooklyn Fingie, 11



"I think that Homecoming week was one of the best moments this year because it was a time when you could participate in fun activities and got to see everyone's school spirit." Morgan Reiter, 11

## Best Moment of the Year...



## Senior



"Leaving school to experience college and work on my own terms and supervision." Jacob Koskey, 12



"My favorite memory of senior year was going on choir tour because I made a bunch of new friends and it was a cool experience." Brooke Hansev, 12



"My favorite memory of senior year was going to the zoo with the preschoolers for early childhood education because even though it rained we made the best of it." Jayda Flesche, 12



Students for Paige Lazorekko, seniors Morgan Stirling, Seth Nordstrom and McKinnon throw dodgeballs at the other team. The event at school helped raise money for Paige and her fight against cancer. Photo by Sierra Batster.



During the parade the Packatahs raise their pom poms together during a routine. Participants in the parade walked down Sheyenne Street and performed. Photo by Sierra Batster.



Walking down GYM march, senior Jessica Mullenberg and sophomore Max Adams look into the crown together. Couples posed at each stop during the walk through the decorated gym together. Photo by Logan Ahern.

# FORGETTABLE.

"Sleeping in an extra hour was the best part and also Innovation Hour is good for the mind and body."  
Jayden Halverson, 10

"Being able to work as a group was my favorite part because I got to know people from FCCLA. I learned the simple things in life like a blanket could mean the world to someone else."  
Karlee Wold, 11

"Reality just hit me that I have to grow up and start thinking about my future and where I'll end up in life."  
Tyler Thompson, 12



At the end of the fall pep rally a group of senior boys took off their shirts revealing the word "seniors" painted on their chests. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy.



Senior Austin Seeger completes a throw-in after the ball was kicked out of bounds. The Packers won 4-0 against Grand Forks Central. Photo by Ashley Dew.



Seniors Emma Danzer and Serah Clements cheer with the team at the state competition. The state competition was held at Red River High School. Photo by Eriq Dalgaard.



RELAXING AFTER SCHOOL... volleyball players tailgate in the parking lot eating snacks. This became a pre-practice ritual for seniors Olivia Gravel, Makenzie Van Horn, Erica Rene, Tabitha Miller, Isabel Waite, and junior Brianna Arens. Photo by Ashley Dew.



# Uniting Tradition

The smell of sweat and feet entered the commons as the players renewed a tradition that has been happening every year for the past four years. This yearly football tradition creates a bonding experience for the players, parents and coaches. It provides a moment where all of the players become one big family and prepare for the first game of the season. "Every season, the first game is extremely exciting," head coach Jason Gibson said. "Every year they have their annual banquet where the parents come together and bring informal food for the boys after their long season." "We've practiced really hard for two weeks, and they really want to play a game," Gibson said. "It's way more fun [than practices] because these are the best guys on our team are playing the best guys on

their team and speed increases from practice." Last year, the Packers finished 4-5 and start this year against two of the highest ranked teams in the state. "You always get those first game nerves, but they go away once you're out there," senior Alex Talley said. They dropped their first game of the season to Minot, 20-12 and their second game Bismarck edged the Packers, 21-14. The conference battles began in the third week when they faced crosstown rival Sheyenne and came away with a victory. "I'm confident about us working hard together," sophomore Obie Pipeboy said.

Erin Daignault

Above: THE SENIOR FOOTBALL boys stand in line to get their food at the banquet. Every year the team hosts the party before the first game. Photo by Erin Daignault.



From top left to bottom: UNSURE HE HAD THE right insect, junior Alex O'Connell asks Environmental Science teacher Sara Forness to make sure he collected the right one. Forness was available to help students figure out what they collected. Photo by Logan Ahern. SCARED TO TOUCH the bug, senior Khalid Abdi tries to get it to go in the jar. To grab the insects, students had to use a net and jar. Photo by Logan Ahern. CONFUSED AT WHAT she is looking at, senior Emily Gullickson stares at the jar in front of her. The Environmental Science class had to collect an assortment of bugs listed on a sheet. Photo by Logan Ahern. NOT SURE WHAT bug was in the jar, Forness tries to hold the jar still to see. All insects were collected in either jars or plastic bags. Photo by Logan Ahern.



## Hole in one

### Fast Facts:

On August 27th, senior Kennedy Kraft hit a hole in one for girls golf. This was a record for the team as no one has done it in the past.



"I could not believe after hitting the ball that it was going to be a hole in one. I was more shocked than anything. I look forward to the rest of the season and playing with all of the girls." -Kennedy Kraft, 12



right: USING PUSERS, SENIOR Morgan Heley cut the plastic wrap on the brand new jerseys as senior Seth Nordstrom. Before the football game, students got together and tailgated. Photo by Logan Ahern. CALLING BACK to the cheerleaders, students participate in chanting for their team. Students were encouraged to cheer for their team while cheering. Photo by Logan Ahern. CATCHING THE BALL, senior Brady Heley caught the second touchdown of the game. At the end of the game, the team lost the game 12-14. Photo by Logan Ahern. 4 MAKING A difference, senior Morgan Heley and senior Sierrah Heley performed the cheerleader put on top to cheer. This is one of the best traditions of the team. Photo by Logan Ahern.



## Interior Design Class "Who Am I" poster

**OBJECTIVE:** create a collage of who you are now to look back at and see how your style has changed over the years.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Include one picture of a house interior you really like. Find a picture of a living space, kitchen space, bedroom and bathroom. Consider colors, clothes, textures and others. Be creative with the project. After, write a full page about the choices you made and why.

**STUDENT PERSPECTIVE:** "I thought that the project was really cool and interesting because it seemed like everyone had the same style. Everyone wanted modern and nobody wanted antique. I would say that I am a mix in between the two." -Morgan Heley, 11



## Caps and Gowns



"I like to look forward to solidifying that it's really happening and it's real."  
Tessa Chambers, 12



"Reality just hit me that I have to grow up and start thinking about my future and where I'll end up in life."  
Tyler Thompson, 12



"It was a wake up call that this is our last year of high school. It put the idea in my head that high school is almost done."  
Jessieca Bledsoe, 12



"I liked getting it out of the way and the process was smooth."  
Amber Young Ripplinger, 12



Seniors to graduate:  
532

clockwise: Seniors Drew Coscaus and Brady working together to help build a house in the class. The houses the students build are fit. Photo by Holly Belinsky. Seniors Robert Eu and are working on a motorcycle in the Recreational class. Photo by Holly Belinsky. Seniors Austin Brinkley, Tanner Reber, and junior Daniel Lopez are house in building trades. This is a popular class school. Photo by Holly Belinsky. The physics class tests constant velocity to start off the class. Juniors and Abdul Masim did a constant velocity with photo by Ashley Dew.



# International Perspective

Teaching from another country has given Darcy Bakkegard a new perspective on teaching. Bakkegard teaches junior and senior English and Acting and Directing after taking over for Adam Pankow who moved to Sheyenne. She is able to share with students and colleagues about her unique experience teaching in Istanbul, the largest city in Turkey.

"When the time came to fill my position, I knew she would be a perfect fit because I feel like she can really bring a fresh perspective to the students," Pankow said. Pankow took a new position as Sheyenne High School Theater Director.

Pankow strongly recommended Bakkegard to apply because the two trained in the English field and the theater field in similar ways. He said he is confident she will successfully replace his position because Bakkegard can bring in her world experience.

Principal Jennifer Fremstad agrees with Pankow when he said she is perfect for the job.

"To find someone of both English and theater qualities was important and just the fact that we found that is very beneficial to administration," Fremstad said.

Fremstad also mentioned Bakkegard is willing to share this experience with the high school community. In her job interview, Bakkegard mentioned other trips she has taken and how it is not only good for students, but for staff as well.

Being able to teach abroad gave Bakkegard valuable skills that she can use later in life. She said she is very fortunate to have been able to work with amazing people and that she is truly blessed.

"Just because you aren't very good in school, doesn't mean you aren't talented in some place else. We are all continuing to develop," Bakkegard said.

Annie Mattern

Above: ENGLISH AND DRAMA TEACHER DARCY BAKKEGARD is addressing her acting class on some new techniques to become a better actor/actress. Photo by Annie Mattern.



From left to right: FRESHMAN JESSE PRICE is teeing off at the Edgewood Golf Course. Photo by Ashley Dew. Senior Sacha Kewm Farahmand is getting ready to return the ball over the net. The West Fargo Varsity Tennis team played against Valley City and won. Photo by Sabrina Leler. Senior Brady Ballweber is serving the ball over the net for an ace, giving their team an easy point. Photo by Sabrina Leler. Juniors Ali Osman, Amin Ahmed, and senior Matt Zent are waiting for the game to start. The West Fargo varsity soccer team won this game against Fargo Davies High School. Photo by Annie Mattern.



## C-Span Bus



"A major program like this, to stop by our school, is a rare thing and it's great to have a national program share some resources to the students that will benefit them in school."  
-Daren McKinnon, History Teacher



"I was really confused during this event because my interest in politics is very low. Also, I was confused because they talked really fast and I guess you could say I don't know anything about politics."  
-Jacob McClellan, 12



"I learned what C-Span was because normally I would just ignore the channel, but now that I know what it is, I suppose I feel a little more educated on life. It's nice to know our government is very open with the public, though, I suppose you can say I enjoyed it for the fact that I learned a few things about our government and how we have a voice in it."  
-Cassandra Lemare, 12

right: Distracting snacks fuel up To Play 60 holds event before the game. Would play bean toss and is before the football by Eli Ratchinski. **Senior Jenaya Wentz** Nelson play games for Play 60. Wentz holds the bags as Nelson prepares red bean bags. **Photo by** Working the concessions, ng in money for their eculated that there were rd breaking sales that at the rival Mustangs. **Photo do.** **Mixing the teams,** senior en takes hold of Mustang first half. Olsen made own during the Packer/ me. **Photo by Breana Orlando.** attire, senior Alex is at the game against s. The student section ed, white and blue. **Photo**



### Packer/Mustang Game Statistics

\$7.30 in concession sales  
 \$4.00 in gate admission sales  
 Yards Rushed: 228  
 Yards Passed: 117  
 Passes caught:  
 Points scored after a touchdown  
**PHS Touchdowns**  
 Sam Olsen (1)  
 Keighton Pfau (2)  
 Lady Heister (1)  
 Tony Nichols (1)

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### Seniors on Scoring



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right: **PHS WIN** against Central, senior Keyan goes to return the ball to team. **Photo by Karly Randash.** against Shanley, ni Sand prepares to go and spikes the ball. Packer with all close matches. **Kakacy.** **Varsity Volleyball** celebrate together after such n ace against the other Erica Rene throws her victory after assisting with **Photo by Holly Bellinsky.**



# Making history with Packer victory

Seniors Ben Strahm, Nick Pruis, Zheer Kakayi and Zach Lehmann were doing their best to get the students more involved in the first-ever Packer versus Mustang game. They tried a new method of spreading out throughout the student section to get the crowd hyped up and rambunctious during different chants, and that seemed to be the most beneficial.

They managed to get everyone more involved, especially the students in the back of the student section.

Their method of spreading out made it easier for the students in the back to hear. After getting the students more involved, Strahm had every student, except himself, sit down. He then pulled out a bandana with the Mustang logo, made sure the Mustang fans were looking and then ripped the bandana, introducing the start of a rivalry on Sept. 12, 2014.

The Packers won the first game against the Mustangs, 34-14. While the Mustangs wore their school colors, orange and blue, the Packers decided to show school spirit in a different way. They represented the USA, wearing red, white, and blue.

The Packer student section was full, showing support for the first rivalry game, even though the game was against past classmates for

some students. "It was different because we knew most of the players on the Mustang team and in their student section," junior Brooklyn Pringle said.

However, knowing they were past classmates fueled the rivalry even more.

"I think it was really easy to get pumped for the game because we knew a lot of the kids on both teams," junior Michael Richard said.

Junior Kennedy Sand worked concessions for Student Council. She said it was busier than just an average game.

"The line never went down; it was kind of crazy," she said. Students were satisfied with the result of the first rivalry game.

"I mean, yeah, because they're a new school, and we have seniors and we're better," Kakayi said.

They thought the Packers strongly represented their half of the crosstown battle. "I expected the Packers to roll the 'Stangs'," sophomore Brody Sherod said.

Elizabeth Ratchenski

Above: The Packer football team faces off against the crosstown rival, the Sheyenne Mustang. This was the first time the two teams played against each other since it is Sheyenne's first year with a varsity program. **Photo by Breana Orlando.**



From left to right: **Senior Evan Hager** relaxes before his audition. Hager said that he is feeling confident "I feel pretty good," he said. "I ain't nervous." **Photo by Eli Ratchenski.** **Sophomores Elizabeth Surka** and **Rebecca Lvermont** help each other prepare to go on stage to audition. "I'm nervous and excited because it's two auditions in one!" Lvermont said. **Photo by Eli Ratchenski.** **Seniors with Shyenne, junior Nikita Schwab** and sophomore **Alexis Hancock** make posters at the first Art Club meeting of the year. They enjoy drinks while they doodle. **Photo by Mandi Rakoczy.**



### Two-hour late start

Two hour late starts are introduced for professional development, which gives students two extra hours every other Wednesday.

"I like the extra sleep, but it's hard learning to wake up in 20 minutes."  
 - Taylor Johnson

"I like the two hours of extra sleep."  
 - Taylor Johnson



# Twins Make Memories

The scratching of beaded dresses on the floor, the laughter disperses of the waiting crowd, and the sound of adjusting mikes set the tone for the Homecoming coronation of 2014. As the Homecoming court readied themselves to make their entrance stage, there is one question on everyone's mind. Those candidates open their chocolate bar and frantically for the golden ticket we see two people start to smile. Those people happen to know each other better than the average Homecoming king and queen. These two people are twins, seniors Ashley and Cody Eisenbiesz. Not many people get to experience Homecoming court, let alone win king or queen so it's really special that I get to do it with my sister," Cody said. "It was kind of nice to be experiencing this with my brother because we've done everything together since we were small and now we're able to do this with each other too," Ashley said. "It was not only this an important time for Ashley and Cody, it was important to their family as well. They have helped uphold a family tradition. My grandparents started crying. My parents thought it was

cool, but I think my grandparents really thought it was special," Cody said. "All of my cousins have been on the Homecoming court and we were the last cousins so to have all of us become Homecoming king and queen it's kind of cool." "My whole family on my mom's side have been on Homecoming court and all the girls have been queens," Ashley said. To add to the excitement of coronation, both the 2013 Homecoming king, Bailey Vareberg and queen, Alyssa Manning, came back to crown this year's Homecoming royalty. "I liked that they came back. They were really nice and they made it feel like more of an honor," Ashley said. "It was sweet," Cody said. "Last year they only had one person come back and this year they both came back so that was awesome. It was nice to see Bailey."

Karly Randash

Above: Seniors Cody and Ashley Eisenbiesz accept the titles of Homecoming king and queen. Cody and Ashley were crowned at coronation by the previous homecoming king and queen. Photo by Erin Dalgault.

## Jan Maxwell takes the Stage

Star Jan Maxwell visited West Fargo High School to show the theater students the proper way of performing in different situations. They were expected to write a song and perform a monologue for her, and once finished, she would critique their performance. Students said they were thrilled to have Maxwell visit, and put in their all for making a good show. Maxwell was the first to perform. Maxwell made a point of showing that it is not something to take lightly. She pointed out how she wanted Natalie to have a feminine aspect stronger.



Taking time to speak to WFHS theatre students, Broadway performer Jan Maxwell steps up on stage to address a small group in the theater. Maxwell talked about her experiences on Broadway and helped the performers with some of their theater pieces. Photo by Karly Randash.

## Spirit Week



Monday: Senior Cheyenne Cole makes Hippy Day more enjoyable with her flashy outfit. Cole is dressed in colorful flowy clothes and has a long blonde wig. Photo by Logan Ahern.



Tuesday: Senior Thomas Schroder participates in Beach Day by wearing a tank top and a towel around his shoulders. Photo by Logan Ahern.



Wednesday: Senior Kelsey Flanery applies a fake mustache to look like a cop. Flanery dressed-up for the theme Security Seniors for the Powderpuff game and class colors day. Photo by Logan Ahern.



Thursday: Seniors Brett James and Tanner McKinnon show their school spirit by both dressing up as Superman on Superhero/Disney day. Photo by Logan Ahern.



Friday: At the Homecoming game, senior boys show Packer Pride at the game against Red River by leading cheers at the front of the student section. Photo by Logan Ahern.



From left to right: Senior Ashley Greenlund catches a ball during the Powderpuff football game. Seniors defeated the juniors 43-0. Photo by Logan Ahern. Senior Jacob Hoy makes a fashion statement with the dress senior Bryce Langerud made for him. The rest of the Homecoming court also competed on who would create the best toilet paper dress. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy. Cheerleaders got the sophomore students involved during the pep rally and did their routine. Students responded by cheering along with the cheerleaders. Photo by Sierra Blaster. Seniors celebrated after their Powderpuff team crushed the juniors in a matter of seconds in tug-of-war at the pep rally. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy.



From left to right: During his game versus Grand Forks Central, senior Keyan Farahmand returns the ball to his opponent. Photo by Sabrina Leler. Varsity boys soccer competed in a heated match against Red River. It ended with a victory for the Packers with a score of 6-2. Photo by Ashley Dew. Career Erin Dew takes steps into STAR testing for English. STAR testing helps teachers see where students stand in their class. Photo by Erin Dalgault.

# HOME COMING



me so I was so excited I got to do it with her!"

**BRUCE LANGERUD:** "Being able to share this moment with them just made it that more memorable."

**ASHLEY ESCHERZ:** "I asked my friend Carley Rontvedt to use her Prom dress because I loved it!"

**ASHLEY GREENLUND:** "My favorite part was experiencing it all with a great group of people."

**MADLINE SCHWITZ:** "It was fun to bond beforehand and get breakfast with everyone before pictures."

**MARCUS WONG:** "Coronation was a breathtaking experience that we will cherish forever."

**CONY ESCHERZ:** "Winning homecoming kind of helped me realize the tears I have overcome."

**JACOB HOY:** "My favorite part was opening the chocolate bar to see if there was a golden ticket!"

**COBY LARK:** "It was an honor and felt like a dream to be nominated."

**BRYAN HESLER:** "I had to go to Tip Top Tux to buy our tuxes and I went with Jake Hoy."

**LOGAN ABERN:** "I was late for school the day the court was announced so I felt really awkward."



From top left to bottom: **SHOWING** pep band spirit, the pep band plays loudly for the student audience. The Homecoming football game took place on Sept. 19th. Photo by Logan Abern. **DOWN** the field, senior Mackay Helmond-Davis escapes the grip of the other team. The team played Grand Forks Red River. Photo by Logan Abern. **DANCING** to the music, senior McKay Campagna screams with the audience. The Homecoming dance immediately followed the game. Photo by Natalie Zupan. **BEING** tackled, senior Anthony Nichols struggles to keep hold of the ball. The game ended 37-7. Photo by Logan Abern.



From top to bottom: **MARCHING** down the road, the pep band follows the crowd. On Sept. 20, the West Fest parade took place. Photo by Sierra Balster. **HAVING** to deal with the rain, the Packatahnas team keeps smiling during their routine despite the weather. The parade route started at the Lodaen Center and went along Shyanne Street. Photo by Sierra Balster. **LEADING** the softball float, senior Irina Astran looks at the audience. Each float crew threw candy to the crowd. Photo by Sierra Balster.

**The West Fest Parade**  
 Theme: "Hats off to West Fargo - City of the Year"  
 Date: September 20th  
 Time: 1:00-3:00  
 Location: Shyanne Street  
 Floats from the school: Cheer team, Pep Band, JROTC, Softball, Theater, Soccer, Football, Packatahnas, Homecoming court and Key Club

## Sophomore Perspectives on Innovation Hour



"Honestly, I found it boring and pointless to be there. Nobody said anything so I felt kind of weird."  
Jaden Klein, 10



"It was only fun because my teacher brought doughnuts for us. Other than that, I didn't learn anything and it was actually pointless."  
Kaitlyn Johnson, 10

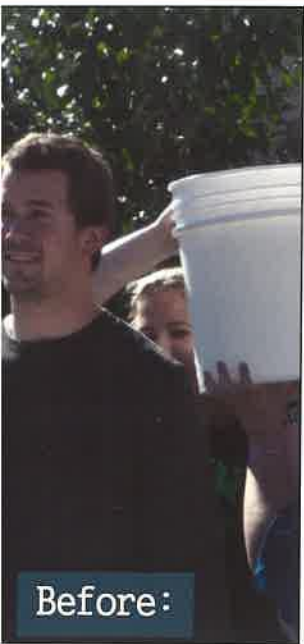


"It was really awkward because of how quiet the room was. I did like the schedule change for the day, though."  
Alexi Krei, 10



"Sleeping in an extra hour was the best part and also Innovation Hour is good for the mind and body."  
Jayden Halverson, 10

## Key Club's ALS Ice Bucket Challenge



Before:



During:



After:

**CORRY** Loveless is about to be poured on his head by seniors Frisco and Cheyenne Cole for the Ice Bucket Challenge put on by Key Club.

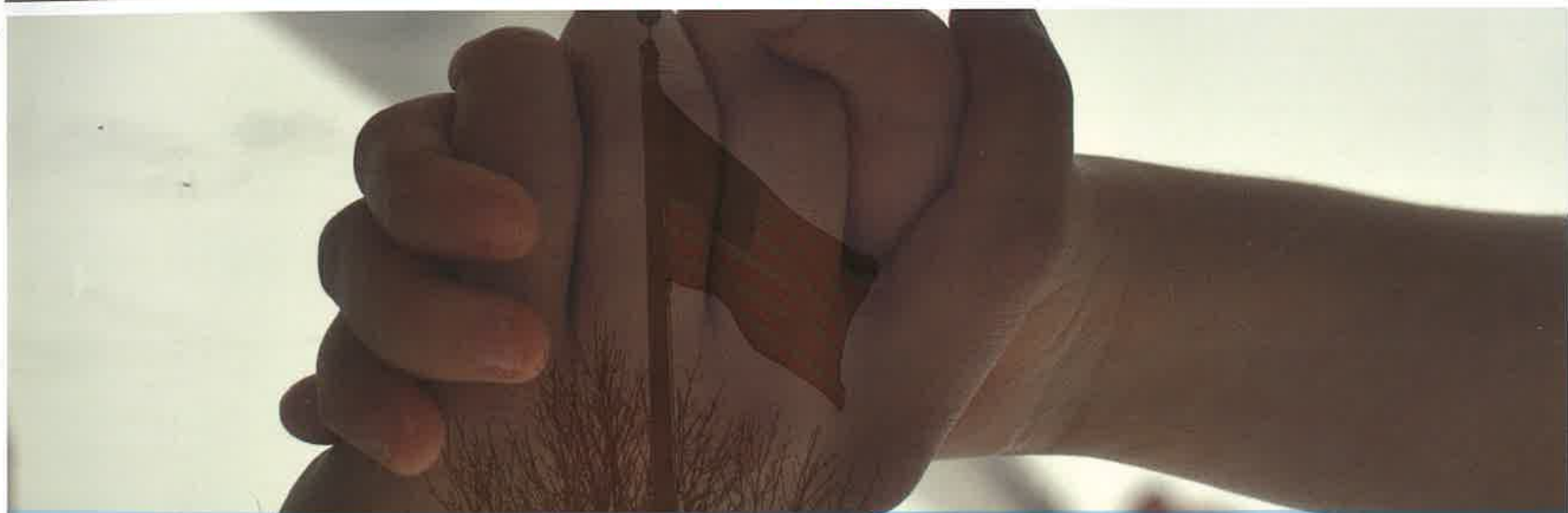
**SENIOR NATYA ARNDT** pours cold water over math teacher Duane Broe's head for the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge. Students picked who was getting what poured on their head by donating a dollar into a bucket for either Broe, German teacher Lisa Mulvaney, or Loveless. **KEY CLUB ADVISER** Mulvaney is getting confetti poured on her head for the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge by senior Bailey Anenson. The Key Club held this event as a fundraiser.

**BROE AND MULVANEY** are hugging after Broe had water poured over his head.

**THE MATTERS**, Carly Randash, and Ashley Dew are the yearbook staff. The yearbook staff spent the day earning publications with photos. **PHOTO BY HOLLY BELINSKEY**, **BY PAVESH** and Logan are working on framing a house. The building trades course is to finish as much as they can in the warmer months. **PHOTO BY SENIOR BENJAMIN OLSON** carries building trades. **PHOTO BY SENIORS BRENDEN KILUS** and **BY SENIORS ANDREA WAGENMAN** as Carlson are working on building trades. Building trades course that gives students in the construction area.



From left to right: **SENIOR ANTHONY NICHOLAS** is running the ball as senior Isiah Helland-Davis is going in to block the opponent. **PHOTO BY BREANA ORLANDO**. **SENIORS TABITHA MILLER, MCKELZIE VANHORN,** and **TIANA PFAFF** are getting in position for the return of the volleyball. West Fargo beat Valley City. **PHOTO BY BREANA ORLANDO**. **SENIORS BEN PROCHASKA** and **AKEEM SMITH** are teaming up to steal the ball from a Davies player. West Fargo had won against Davies. **PHOTO BY ELIZABETH RATCHENSKI**. **AT THE WEST FARGO** versus Fargo North football game, the cheerleaders are pumping up the crowd in hopes of a touchdown. The cheer was "Score Packers Score." **PHOTO BY BREANA ORLANDO**. **AT THE DAVIES** soccer game West Fargo students get a crowd going in the stands for the Packers. The crowd is lined up each behind each other to do some cheers to show support for their teammates. **PHOTO BY ELIZABETH RATCHENSKI**.



## See You at the Pole

On a quiet, cool fall morning, the school parking lot fills with cars and young adults beginning their day. Backpacks are slung over shoulders and a quiet buzz of chatter fills the air. Among the bustle, a few hold back and quietly gather around the flagpole.

This isn't a daily routine nor is it a religious act. These young adults have chosen to put aside their worries about their life and ask God to look over others.

"We pray for administration that they could help us through school. We pray for our leaders and students. There are a lot of broken students, so we pray that love gets around to them," senior Cynthia Vistad said. "Praying is just a fancy word for talking with God."

This annual tradition, See You At The Pole, happens every year. They join in public places and homes. Participation in this annual event ranges from students who go to public schools, students who are home schooled or attend private schools, and with a variety of ages.

"At home, we would start the day off with Bible study. We then would go out on this day to try to find other homeschoolers outside or college students, but never got the chance to," senior Emily Dockter said. "Christianity is not a religion, but a relationship with God and others."

Pastor Steven Dunkel is pastor at the Bethel Church and encourages kids to gather around the flag pole and pray. He said it's a good opportunity to gain new friends and to reunite with the old ones. See You at the Pole is not just for one religion; it's for all, Dunkel added.

"See You At The Pole is a student-led Christian prayer gathering, but they share the school and its flagpole with students of every faith. Everyone is welcome," he said.

Holly Belinskey

Above: **STUDENTS AT SEE YOU AT THE POLE** hold hands by the American flag. See You At The Pole is a student-led Christian prayer gathering. **PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY HOLLY BELINSKEY**.



# Small Town Voice

After competing on "The Voice" and making it to the top five, 15-year-old North Dakota native, Kat Perkins, decided to travel to different schools across the state and spread her message for students to follow their dreams. Perkins started singing when she was three years old. She was named for the first time in front of an audience at four years old. At the age of 15, Perkins received her first professional gig. As she grew up, she decided to try out for "The Voice". She said her dad was the biggest inspiration through the whole process of "The Voice". "He was very inspiring to me to follow my dreams," Perkins said. "He was involved with music so he showed me what music is." At the auditions, Perkins said she was nervous, just like every other person in the room. Perkins was soon called up on to the stage and that's when she received the surprise of a lifetime. "It was unreal when the judges started turning their chairs. I thought I was going to faint and stop singing at the same time," Perkins said.

After making it to the top five in the competition, her journey came to an end on May 13th, 2014. "I couldn't have done it if it weren't for Adam Levine," she said. When she returned home, Perkins said she knew her journey

wasn't over. She wanted to travel to different schools and talk to students to spread her message that hard work really pays off. "It is very inspirational to have someone from North Dakota actually go out and follow her dreams," junior Taylor Witt said. West Fargo High School was the first school she attended to start her mini tour. Perkins told students she loved all of the positive thoughts she was receiving and that she felt North Dakota was cheering her on, but she also dealt with many negative messages. She received many comments saying that she did not deserve to be on the voice or that she was a bad person. It even got to the point where she started to receive death threats from people online. "I almost just wanted to tweet them back with a smart remark," Perkins said, "but I knew I wanted to be the bigger and better person in the situation." "Knowing that she could just ignore the negative things from people really taught me that I could ignore the negative people also," junior Brooke Walz said.

Breanna Orlando

Above: SINGER KAT PERKINS is laughing with students after her motivational speech to the entire school. Photo by Ashley Dew.

## Students React

### 'The Voice' finalist Kat Perkins motivates through speech



"I thought it was very kind of her to take the time to address the students. I think a lot of us really enjoyed it. She had a good message." Photo by Ashley Dew. Olivia Gravel, 12

"She's an inspiration. Her singing was the best [part]." Photo by Ashley Dew. Kayla Carter, 10



From left to right: KAT PERKINS gives a private show to the Innovation Hour leaders in the West Fargo Auditorium. She discussed ideas for Improving Innovation Hour and the importance of leadership. Photo by Ashley Dew. A STUDENT HOLDS up their phone as a flashlight while Kat Perkins performs for the West Fargo High School student body. This was followed by a majority of the students pulling out their phones and waving them back and forth as if at a concert. Photo by Ashley Dew. KAT PERKINS PERFORMS her song "Fearless" for the students. Classes throughout the day were shortened so students could hear Kat speak and sing at the



From left to right: ROUNDING THE CORNER, sophomore Jennifer Dulner gets ahead of the pack. She finished in fourth place at this meet in Minot. Photo by Nicole Schriener. SENIOR DREW MEARS, JUNIOR NOAH SCHOCK, and senior Parker Roseneau stretch before the boys varsity race. The race is 5000 meters long, which is about 3.1 miles. Photo by Nicole Schriener. PASSING A RUNNER from Bismark Century, senior Suzy Dullum heads for the finish. The girls varsity race is 4000 meters, which is equal to 2.5 miles. Photo by Nicole Schriener. CRUNCHING THROUGH THE LEAVES, junior Giniyatou Salou finishes the last half mile of the race. This meet in Minot prepared the team for the state meet that would also be held there. Photo by Nicole Schriener.

## What is your lucky charm?



**Andrea Milbrath** stays lucky by using her lucky socks and by wearing the same clothes every meet.



**Tiffany Kindem** wears her lucky shoes and uses her lucky watch during a meet.



**Jacob Franek** stays lucky by wearing anything Nike.



**Drew Mears** wears the same socks every meet to be lucky.



From left to right: SENIOR CHRISTIAN ENGLISH WALKS proudly walks with his parents on senior night at the Lodeon Center. Christian plays defense for the varsity soccer team. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski. JACOB QUINTON, JUNIOR, is passing the ball to a fellow teammate. Quinton is on defense for the varsity soccer team. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski. SENIOR ANDREW SATHER is defending the ball from Moorhead, while junior Trayton Molland, and senior Almir Ekic stay close to help defend. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski. SENIOR BEN PROCHNIK SMILES wide for his picture with his parents on senior night at the Lodeon Center. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski. MASON WIKSTROM, SENIOR, is dribbling the ball away from Moorhead. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski. JUNIOR JACOB QUINTON retrieves the ball from the opposing team. Senior Mason Wikstrom stands closely by. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski. SENIOR JACQUES NCENGETERE SMILES in his picture with ELL teacher Elizabeth Jahner. Ncengeter's position is midfield. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski.

## Senior Soccer Players

- Thomas Schroeder
- Mason Wikstrom
- Christian Engum
- Zach Burtsfield
- Ben Prochniak
- Matt Schmidt
- Jacques Ncengeter

- Matt Zent
- Akeem Smith
- James Collins
- Ajdin Ekic
- Chan Kuchlong
- Andrew Sather
- Almir Ekic
- Austin Sullivan



# Fitness Testing

With each year, many changes occur. Some are complicated some are simplistic. As students went into their gym classes, all questioned the same rumor, "Do we have to run the mile?" The new system is called Fitness Gram. This is the first year the gym classes are on the same schedules," said Physical Education teacher Doyle Plecity. "With this system, teachers will be able to track students improvement from elementary school through high school."

This system focuses on a target heart rate of 185 rather than 150. It's an automated workout with 41 levels of difficulty. As the levels are completed, each student will get a configured mass index.

Fitness Gram is a good tool for students to use to help them reach their personal goals to be physically fit," Plecity said.

As students get involved with the new program they started to form their own personal opinions about the work out.

"I think it's a lot harder because in order to get your heart rate up to 185 you actually have to push yourself," senior Marcus Wohl said. "I would rather do sit ups instead of crunches because the crunches are easy and it doesn't let you show your full potential."

As some students enjoy the change, others prefer the traditional way of testing.

"I don't like the pacer, not because it challenges you to do your best, but because you feel rushed to do well and you can't just work out at your own pace like the mile," senior Leyla Bakir said.

Karly Randash

Above: Senior Nick Carlson focuses while taking doing push ups for fit testing in his physical education class. Photo by Karly Randash.



On the bottom right: Junior Cooper... on the junior varsity team takes... ball to get passed the opposing... the home game against Fargo... walkowski is the quarterback for... Photo by Kaylee Stokka. At the Fargo South... junior Jaden Cookman... ball to the opposing team. Four... red in the Fargo South gym. The... games was against Bismarck and... won after three games. Photo by... Junior Jaden Cookman sets up the... Kennedy Sand as she waits in... to hit it to the opposing team. The... South in the second set of games... lost to Fargo South in two games... beat Kindred and lost to Sioux... three games. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy. Haskinman Simon takes off with the... away from the Davies player. JV... leated Davien 56 to 8. Photo by Kaylee



## Emotions run high for swimmers



"I had been swimming since second grade so it was hard knowing swimming would be done soon and thinking I'm never going to swim another meet at that pool anymore." Photo by Ross Pergande  
Carley Rortvedt, 12



"When I met up there with my parents I was just so thankful for all that they have done. They've always been supportive of me in whatever I'm doing and it was a moment of extreme gratitude." Photo by Ross Pergande  
Mia Schuster, 12



"It was sad and emotional. We had a really good group of seniors this year so that made it harder to know they'll be leaving after this season." Photo by Ross Pergande  
Amanda St. Aubin, 10



From left to top right: Senior Taylor Dehl counts the pages she needs while starting her sketchbook. During Art Club, students were able to create their own sketchbooks. Art teacher Brenda Luthi taught the class step by step to create the books. Photo by Logan Ahern. Sophomore Miks Rice folds pages to put into her sketchbook. Students who wanted to create their own sketchbooks had to fold all the pages and pick which cover they wanted for their book. To finish the books they had to do their own bindings for the book with string to keep all the papers in the books. Photo by Logan Ahern. The Madras club members sing from the song books. Photo by Sabrina Leler. Senior Ashlea Smith and other concert choir members sing at one of their concerts. Photo by Sabrina Leler.

## International Cooking Class

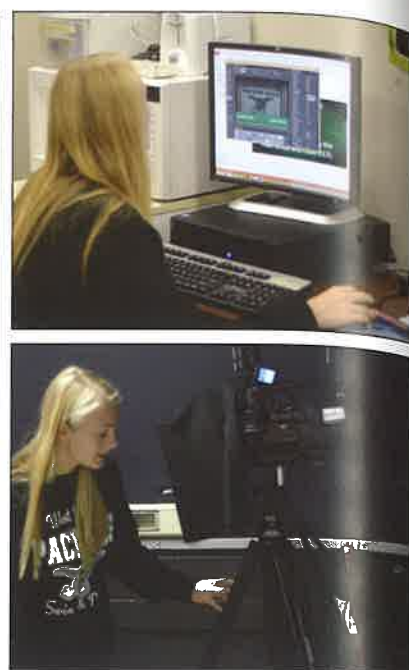


Broccoli Salad  
Ingredients: Broccoli, lettuce, onions, tomatoes, and ranch dressing

- Directions:
- 1: Rinse all the vegetables
  - 2: Cut the broccoli, onions, and tomatoes into smaller pieces
  - 3: Cook vegetables if needed
  - 4: Mix all vegetables together and add toppings

From left to right, senior Jaeden Schaan puts kiwis into a blender. Senior Fahad Radhe and sophomore Jacob Tanata cut pineapple to put into smoothies. The class helped Fuel up to Play 60 by make smoothies. Photos by Annie Mattern

to right: Sierra gets ready for the sixth week of broadcasting. Her words and lots of laughs, anchor made her takes. Photo by Sierra. SENIOR CORA asks if everything properly on the computer to begin. She makes adjustments in the control room and makes all adjustments. Alter is in its place, she film and watches computer. Photo by SENIOR CORA. She camera so it can film senior. It takes many tries to get just the right shot and the correct for those few tries, everything just as wanted. Photo by



Class Officers		
	<b>President</b> Junior: Ally Carson Senior: Logan Ahern	
	<b>Vice President</b> Junior: Sabrina Leier Senior: Danielle Dube	
	<b>Secretary</b> Junior: Libby Bahr Senior: Jessica Qian	
	<b>Treasurer</b> Junior: Allison Inman Senior: Cierra Houser	



# Spreading Leadership

To have a leadership opportunity, West Fargo High students were invited to attend a Students Today Leaders Forever (STLF) Pay it Forward trip. Four students including seniors Annie Mattern, Amber Younger, Jessica Qian and junior Ally Carson all decided to attend. The trip was composed of schools around the area including South, Davies, Shanley, North and Moorhead and spanned over five days starting on Wednesday the 15th and ending Sunday the 19th. While on the trip, the students completed four major service projects and visited several college campuses. For junior Ally Carson, this trip was a perfect opportunity. "I firmly believe that through volunteering someone can find their purpose in life," Carson said. "It shows even young people can make a difference and be leaders in their community." Originally, the idea of STLF was helped created by 2004 graduate Logan Ahern and a group of other students.

"We wanted to make a difference in the world," Tehven. The program gives students the opportunity to travel and participate in service projects. Carson's bus managed to pick up trash in a national park along the Missouri River, cleaned an animal sanctuary and a senior center. 2014 graduate Cole Bachmeier believes that a PIF trip is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. "Students gain an understanding of the importance of service and unity by bonding with other passion youth of the area," Bachmeier said. "It was the most fun I have ever had it high school and not only do you get to learn how different you are but how similar we really all are." Logan Ahern

Above: The Pay it Forward group poses for a picture together after finishing a service project. The trip was composed of schools around the area including South, Davies, Shanley, North and Moorhead and spanned over five days starting on Wednesday the 15th and ending Sunday the 19th. Photo submitted by Jessica Qian



CONCERT ORCHESTRA plays their song "Dance of Hallows", not even being conducted by a teacher, the students played amazingly. The sophomores and juniors worked on these songs for several weeks and their hard work paid off. Everyone enjoyed listening to their passionate playing. Photo by Sierra Balster. THE SYMPHONIC ORCHESTRA plays the song "October" in their first concert of the school year. The orchestra of juniors and seniors played their concert on Oct. 14th. Photo by Sierra Balster. SENIOR NICHOLAS PFEIFER plays a solo in the song "Dance Macabre", in symphonic orchestra. Pfeifer was one of three students who had a solo in the concert. Photo by Sierra Balster.



From left to right: WILE BAND TEACHER Susan Jordahl plays the piano, Alex Riley plays percussion, Jarrett Lardy plays the trumpet, Riley Wilhelm, Preston Gapp, Jake Schweltzer, Michael Shumata, Kyla Pica, and Bobby Frisco play the saxophone, and Jaryd Peters plays the trombone in their first band concert of the year. The sophomores put the crowd in awe as they played the song "O.D.'s Rock Shop" by Mike Stein. Photo by Erin Daignault. IN THEIR FIRST band concert of the year, Jordahl conducts the sophomores as they play their music. The band practiced the concert songs for two and a half months. Photo by Erin Daignault.



# STEM Gives Back

Sophomore Amanda St. Aubin, as a part of her STEM program, organized a service project to go to the Churches United Veteran's homeless shelter in Moorhead on Oct. 23rd. St. Aubin said she felt the need to help those less fortunate and decided she needed to go. She knows when people see a homeless person on the side of the road, most just assume, "somebody will help them." St. Aubin said many are not aware that the rate of homelessness keeps going up, even in this area. St. Aubin has an aunt who used to work at the shelter so she asked if a group of students would be able to come in and help. She said that once the date and time were set up, everything fell into place. The students worked in the basement organizing and hanging up clothes in the shelter's store and helped move furniture. The store in the basement is completely free, but has a weight limit of what people can take. The students were only able to help for about an hour, STEM teacher Jennifer Kruger said. "I was thinking, even though we are only able to help for an hour, a lot of us, that is 15 hours of work being done," Kruger added. "Going there was really refreshing and I really enjoyed working with my classmates," St. Aubin said. Sophomore Emma Kuchenbecker said going to the homeless

shelter really opened their eyes. "I thought it was really eye opening learning about what is going on in Fargo and West Fargo," Kuchenbecker said. "I felt that it was fun helping people." The students were able to listen to an individual the shelter helped get back on his feet, and shelter leaders organized for him to speak to the students. The students listened to the previously homeless individual and he told them that the best thing to ask a homeless person is, "Do you need anything?" He also went on to tell the students that every night in the area, many sleep anywhere, even in garbage cans. St. Aubin said a lot of her classmates had never done a service learning project, but many thought it was a great experience. Sophomore Austin Aker enjoyed doing the service project. "I think it was a great experience to see how we can help the homeless shelter and how some of the people got there," Aker said. She and a few others plan to go back outside of school and maybe also help out at a food bank. She said they have no set plans at the moment, but plan to soon.

Sabrina Leier

Above: STEM teacher Jennifer Kruger helps her students organize and fold clothes at the Churches United Veteran's Outreach Homeless shelter in Moorhead on Oct. 23rd. Photo by Sabrina Leier.

AFTER CONFIRMING the use, the players line up for the ball. Photo By Breana Orlando. SOPHOMORE JIMON CAUGHT the ball to decide to pass or throw it. The Bruins won against the Vikings. Photo By Breana Orlando. SENIORS DEFENSE stopped the Bruins before a play. Photo By Breana Orlando. SENIORS STOPPED the Bruins from getting another play. Photo By Breana Orlando.



## Learning by Giving Back: FCCLA



"My favorite part about the project was giving back to the community. It felt good to be able to do something for children who are in need. I learned that there are kids being taken away from their houses every day and that doing this small thing for them could make their day a whole lot better." Brooke Hansey, 12



"Being able to work on it as a group was my favorite part because I got to know people from FCCLA and I like knowing that it is going to benefit people my age. I learned the simple things in life like a blanket could mean the world to someone else." Karlee Wold, 11



"My favorite part about making these blankets was probably actually being at the collection table where the blankets from schools all over North Dakota were compiled and it was just a really rewarding feeling to see all of that. I learned how easy it is to just get a few people together at various schools and make such a big difference." Amber Young Ripplinger, 12



## Environmental Science

Left to Right starting with top photo: Following the process of diluting water from the Red River, sophomore Kylie Gullickson and senior Kayli Sturlaugson look closely at the water sample they received in hopes of finding a trace of phosphate. Photo by Logan Ahern. Senior Eric Dawson holds the container of river water for fellow senior classmate Race Jacobson so that Jacobson can insert a chemical to test for phosphate in the Red River. Photo by Logan Ahern. Senior Soren Sturleson records information obtained in his experiment. For the students, it was a very important factor that they recorded all results from their experiments. Photo by Logan Ahern. The Van Dorn Water Sampler is untangled as it is prepared to lower into the Red River to retrieve water samples for students. The Van Dorn Sampler was a key tool that was used. Photo by Logan Ahern.



# What advice would you give your 12-year-old self?

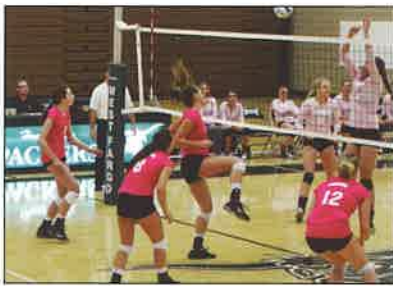
- "Keep being a stud."  
Matthew Schmidt, 12
- "Always be yourself."  
Madeline Schatz, 12
- "Get a good job."  
Matthew Rodriguez, 12
- "Work hard to accomplish your goals."  
Amanda Gross, 12



**THE FOURTH ANNUAL** Team 12k run took place on Nov. 1st and some proceeds from the run went to senior Keegan Cronin, who was diagnosed with cancer in December of 2013. **Photo by Breana Orlando.** **AFTER BEATING** the cold and wind, junior Jacob Franek, seniors Matt Dulner and Keegan Cronin finish the 5k with a time of 20:47 along with Tim Nelson and Gary Sucher. **Photo by Breana Orlando.** **IN FIRST PLACE** with a time of 19:09, senior Parker Rosenau finishes the 5k. **Photo by Breana Orlando.**



...ered by her team mates, senior Izzy...  
...s the ball down on her opponents.  
... Rakoczy. **AT THE DGS** Pink volleyball  
...arsity team joins in a small huddle  
... game. **Photo by Mandi Rakoczy.** **FRESHMAN**  
...goes up to serve the ball. The team  
... defeat against Fargo North with a  
... **Photo by Mandi Rakoczy.**



**SENIOR AUSTIN SULLIVAN** prepares his plate of food at his final soccer banquet. **Photo by Karly Randash.** **AT THEIR FINAL** soccer banquet, the senior players listen as their coach talk about the great season and begins to hand out the awards. This season the varsity soccer team won state. **Photo by Karly Randash.** **AT THE 2014** soccer banquet, junior Ismet Karabegovic receives his award for all of the hard that season. **Photo by Karly Randash.**



right. **AS THE GAME** came  
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... had end for the team  
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# Handing it down

Organizing district conferences, attending countless meetings, dedicating hours and hours of work to her organization, senior Marisa Pacella renounces her district presidency at the FCCLA District Conference on the October 27th. Pacella said it was a bittersweet moment for her when she passed the baton to new district president junior Jessica Lee from Finley Sharon High School. "It was a solemn moment but its relieving because (being the district president) is a lot of work, a lot of time management," Pacella said.

Holding the title of president at both the district and chapter level left Pacella considerably busy. She dedicated herself to helping every individual group with their service work nights when preparing for an FCCLA competition in star events. In star events students pick a competition topic to and do a service project to present in to judges.

"I tried to make it to everyone's service work nights," Pacella said. I was at all the meetings because I was running them. "I was always staying later and coming early. I spent a lot of hours" "She's always been very responsible and a great leader," FCCLA adviser Danielle Jangula said. "She's very organized and gets everybody involved. She knows FCCLA inside and out." Lee said Pacella was devoted to the 13 chapters under her

as well as the entire district. Being involved in FCCLA for three years left her hoping for another chance to exemplify her leadership in a position like this again.

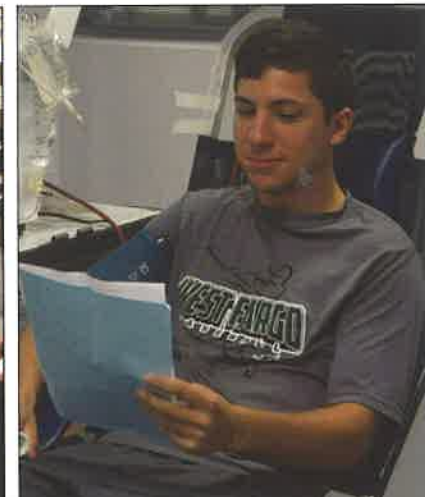
"She was always on the ball," Lee said. "She was ahead of the call and went above and beyond." Some of Pacella's outstanding efforts as president required the help and involvement of the club's members. "Your chapter and district is only as good as you and your members make it," Pacella said. "Member support and council member support is really really important. Going at it alone is very very hard."

After moving from Texas to North Dakota her freshman year, Pacella said she felt lost and needed an opportunity to meet new people. As president, she was able to meet many new people that she wouldn't have gotten to meet otherwise.

FCCLA has made a lasting impression on Pacella and she said she hopes to get another opportunity like the one she had leading FCCLA again.

Ashley Dew

Above **SENIOR MARISA PACELLA** presents junior Jessica Lee with the FCCLA district presidency. **Photo by Eli Ralchenski**



From left to right: **ONE OF THE** JROTC instructors Chad Gooding happily donates blood. The blood drive was hosted by JROTC. **Photo by Karly Randash.** **SENIOR TANNER PEBER** reads over the guide of what he is supposed to do during and after he donates blood. **Photo by Karly Randash.** **AS SHE DONATES** blood, senior Ashley Christlieb studies for her dual credit Anatomy homework so she stays caught up. **Photo by Karly Randash.**



From left to right: **Collecting cans for** Student Council, senior Janaya Wentz visits a generous woman willing to donate cans of food. These cans will go to the Fill the Dome effort. **Photo by Logan Ahern**  
**Senior, MA Sutter**, Jessica Qian and Dorothea Korn participate in trick or treating around the school with French Club. They also had to say the phrase "trick or treat" in French. **Photo by Ashley Dew**  
**Alyssa Sober** plays "Chubby Bunny" with the rest of the French Club. During this activity, they had to say their name and a verb about themselves in French. **Photo by Ashley Dew**  
**Accompanying collection**, seniors Cody Eisenbich and Benjamin Prochniak place their food with the rest of the cans collected by Student Council members. These food items will help families in the Fargo-Moorehead area. **Photo by Logan Ahern.**



## Favorite Halloween Movies



**'The Nightmare Before Christmas'**  
 It's cute and I've watched it so many times that I can sing the songs with the characters.

Natasha Gatheridge, 12



**'Hocus Pocus'**  
 I used to watch it with my older sister all the time and it made me think that I could become a witch someday.

Amanda Belinsky, 11



**'Halloweentown'**  
 It's the best movie ever and it gets you in the Halloween spirit.

Leyla Bakir, 12

## What were you for Halloween?



From left to right: **Senior Connor Krav** and **Clare Vangerud** from Fargo North dressed up as Ron Burgundy and Veronica Corningstone from the movie 'Anchorman'. **Photo Submitted by Conrad Kranz**  
**Senior, Matthew Schmitt**, Alyssa Smith, McKenzie Spidel, and Andrew Fischer found their new calling as Ninja Turtles. **Photo submitted by Alyssa Smith.**

From left to right: **Senior, Lindsay Newhouse** gets into the spirit of Halloween. Parents and children come to the Veterans Memorial Arena every year to participate in the Spooktacular. **Photo by Jessica Qian**  
**Senior, Benjamin Hottel**, **Junior, Justin Hottel**, and **Brady Bolkwein** participate in the fun of the event as staff members. With all the people that come to the event, the staff is needed to make things run smoothly. **Photo by Jessica Qian**  
**Senior, Alyssa Sober** made her first Junior Basketball Taylor entrance for the children. They blew bubbles with her inside them to get rid of the stress. **Photo by Jessica Qian**  
**Senior, Dora and Dolaney Herten** work together with the staff. Dora is a student and Dolaney is a staff member. **Photo by Jessica Qian**  
**Senior, Alyssa Sober** found the look of a witch. The children only wear the costume to their costumes. **Photo by Jessica Qian.**





# oting for a first

When the time came, some seniors were able to chose if they d to vote for the first time in their lives. Senior Kelsey Flanery e of the many seniors who voted on Nov. 4th. had just turned 18 and was excited that I'd be able to," id. "Also there were a few measures that I had some strong ns about." lanery did know what to expect when she went to the polls. t was an easier process than I thought it would be and I liked ad a say in what will be happening in my community," she

ince some of her friends hadn't had their birthday before the date, Flanery listened to her peers to try to provide them a is well.

had planned on voting anyways, but I also had a friend who 18 yet and felt really strongly about some measures so he ncouraged me to vote as well," she said. "He had asked me n to his ideas on a few measures and take his thoughts into nt with all the other research I did when I was making my ons."

Flanery received positive reinforcement from not only friends, but family as well.

"I feel voting is a very important civic duty," said her mom, Stacey Flanery. She said Kelsey's dad, Charles, encouraged both Kelsey and her older sister Shannon to vote.

"I explained she needs to take her ID, the ballot is put in a folder and to make sure to look at both sides," Stacey said. "Then put it in the machine when she is finished. And that she votes at Westside Elementary."

Having another voting adult in the household has added to the conversations they have regarding the current issues.

"Off hand I can't think of any that she and I disagreed on," Stacey said. "Her dad and I had differing opinions on the right to life measure which did get heated for about 15 seconds and we agreed to disagree."

Erin Daignaut

Above: THE AMERICAN FLAG stands as a symbol for the country and the right citizens have to vote. Photo illustration by Logan Ahern

NAME, JUNIOR on receives the 100 C Swimming. Rakoczy, JUNIOR er blocks the e opposing : Forks Red rils played. Photo by Akrill EUBANKH pks the ball Forks Red mps it up ver the net. e its way akers lost 25-22. Photo SENIOR CARLY ms in the 100 C swimming r teammates working a medal this n by Akrill Saxena.



## Speech Workshop

### step 1



Speech coach Dakota Breen explains different oral interpretations to help students chose one to do. She tells everyone her favorites and which ones they may like best.

### step 2



Dylan Brown, Desirny Heinen, and Spencer Metcalf listen to speech coach Dakota Breen talk about all the different oral interpretations. They will then be choosing which interpretation they would like to practice with for their upcoming competition.

### step 3



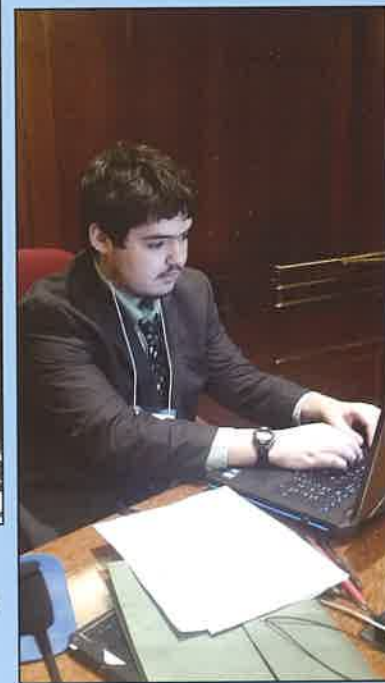
Janie Anderson and Haison Nguyen partner up to practice humorous interpretation. The students are now preparing for their competition in January.

## Student Congress Competition



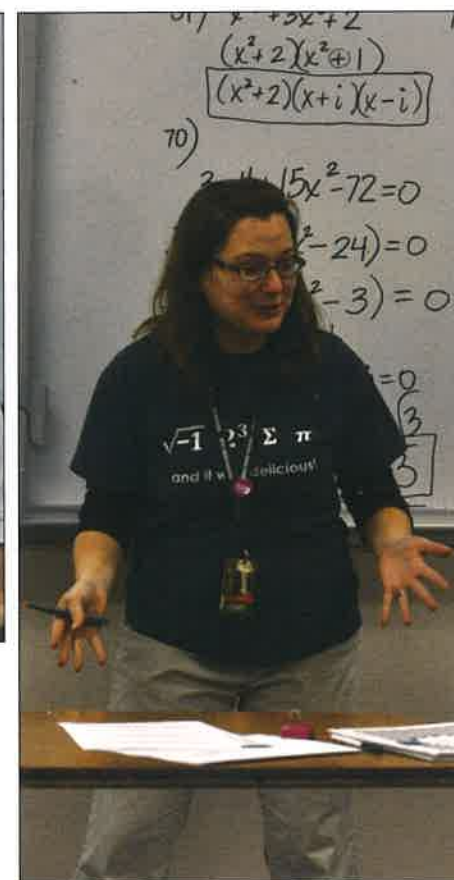
"I was writing a speech to give on our state and local resolution, which at the time was about instituting a dress code standard. After several hours, the speaker order finally allowed me to give this speech, which led me to placing fourth in the state competition, one point behind senator Neeraj Advani, the other representative from West Fargo." -Austin Walker, 12

Student Congress has always been a quintessential part of high school for me. Many of the new kids ended up achieving third place or above at state in their respective houses and the team accumulatively look second. I am indeed proud of all the hard work and dedication that was put in by Mr. Smette and the rest of the team." -Neeraj Advani, 12

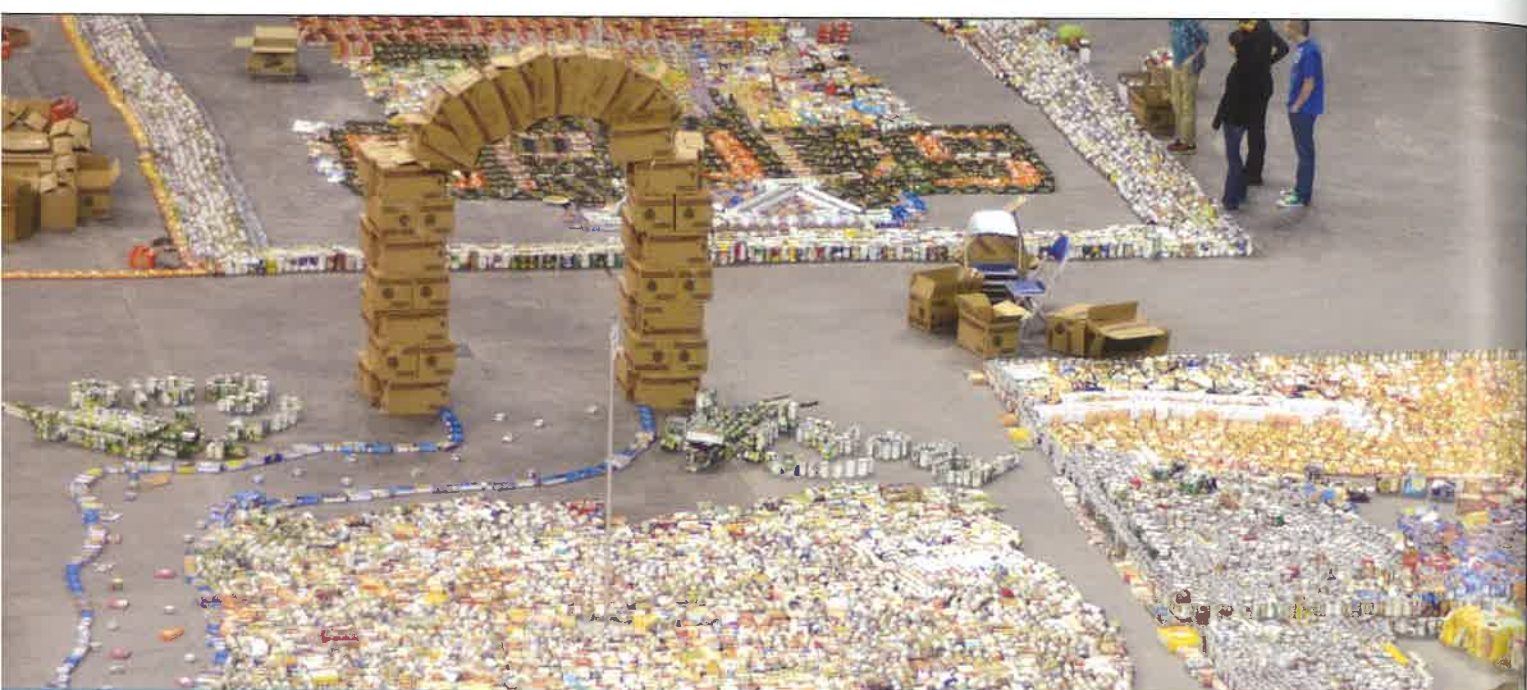


LISTENING TO the college recruiters, senior Amanda Mears hears about a possible college opportunity. During the first night of conferences students had the option to attend a college fair. Photo by Sabrina Leler. SITTING IN the gym, teachers wait for parents to approach them with questions. Conferences were held two days on Monday, Nov. 3rd and Thursday, Nov. 6th. Photo by Logan Ahern. QUESTIONING THE PRODUCTS being sold, senior Hayle Sachow-Johnson and her mother talk to vocational teacher Pat Johnson. The vocational education class sells products during conferences each year. Photo by Logan Ahern. HOLDING A BABY, senior Paige Andel babysits in the FCCLA babysitting room. Each night, the FCCLA club had a babysitting room available for teachers and parents. Photo by Sabrina Leler. PLAYING WITH A WIFETRUST, senior Joyda Flechco watches a child. There were four kids the group watched the first night. Photo by Sabrina Leler.

to right: **KEGAN HARRIS** is playing in the competition. She did was up. Photo by Erin **WHILE PLAYING** crabbie, Juniors (right) and Allanta are enjoying the French activities to get students involved in language. Photo by **Dr. SENIOR SENIOR** is a flyer for cheer team, sitting ready to in the air by in Huth and are Emma Photo by Erin **JUNIORS COURSE** of Kaitlyn Aersath together as using French The girls are hot apple cider. **Prima Leler.**



From left to right: **Jill Backlund** is the instructor for Math Club. She is helping members with problems they have questions on. Photo by **Holly Belinsky**. **Seniors KARA WILSON, Kelly Tran, Tom Tran** and **Preston Gapp** are taking a break in solving problems to decide what their Math Club t-shirts are going to look like. Out of several options, they had narrowed it down to about four ideas. Photo by **Holly Belinsky**. **Senior Tom Tran** is a member of the Math Club. He is giving advisor **Jill Backlund** his full attention while she works out a math problem on the board. Photo by **Holly Belinsky**. **After working on a problem**, sophomore **Michael Schumate** waits patiently to hear for the answer. Photo by **Holly Belinsky**.



# Tournament gets donations

...ans, volleyballs, and giving back was all that students could find at West Fargo High School gymnasium on Tuesday Nov. 11th. West Fargo High School hosted a volleyball tournament for Fill-The-Dome, but with a very untraditional twist. It would be a mens volleyball tournament. A variety of boys participated in the event, hosted by West Fargo High School Student Council, including West Fargo High School senior Zach Larson. Spectators could pay \$2 or bring five cans for donation to Fill The Dome. "I really liked how a lot of people got together for a good cause, but it could have been more organized though," Larson said. "I wanted to do whatever I could to help support Fill The Dome and to beat our goal for last year. Also, it was fun to get together with my friends and have fun."

participants than expected. "Date was a big thing. We definitely struggled to find a date. Since there are so many extra-curricular activities going on after school, it was tough to find a day that wasn't on a Saturday," Wilson said. "Since it was Veterans Day we were a little nervous about people showing up but, I was very satisfied with the nine teams that made it out and competed." The event raised more than \$700 for Fill The Dome. Wilson also said that they will use that \$700 dollars to buy cans in bulk from a local grocery store and donate them all to Fill The Dome. Annie Mattern

Above: **The Student Council** created a scene out of the cans raised by students throughout the school. Out of the cans pictured, about one-eighth of them were donated by spectators, participants, and teachers who attended and participated in the mens volleyball tournament. Photo by **Logan Ahern**.

## Fuel Up to Play 60 Smoothie Taste Testing



From top to bottom: **The FOCUS AND fitness class** took a day to prepare fruits and vegetables for the Fuel Up to Play 60 smoothies. Some fruits and vegetables that were used were strawberries, blueberries, bananas, and spinach. Photo by **Annie Mattern**. **Senior FARGO FARGO** participated in the preparation for the Fuel Up to Play 60 smoothies. One thing he participated in was cutting up a pineapple. Photo by **Annie Mattern**. **Seniors Blake Whitehead** and **Jaeeden Shaan** are working together to prepare a smoothie. The smoothie they are preparing is the kiwi smoothie. Photo by **Annie Mattern**.

"I thought the smoothie was warm and thick. It wasn't the best smoothie I've had."

Adam Gianakos, 11



"They would've been delicious if they added a ton of sugar to make them sweet"

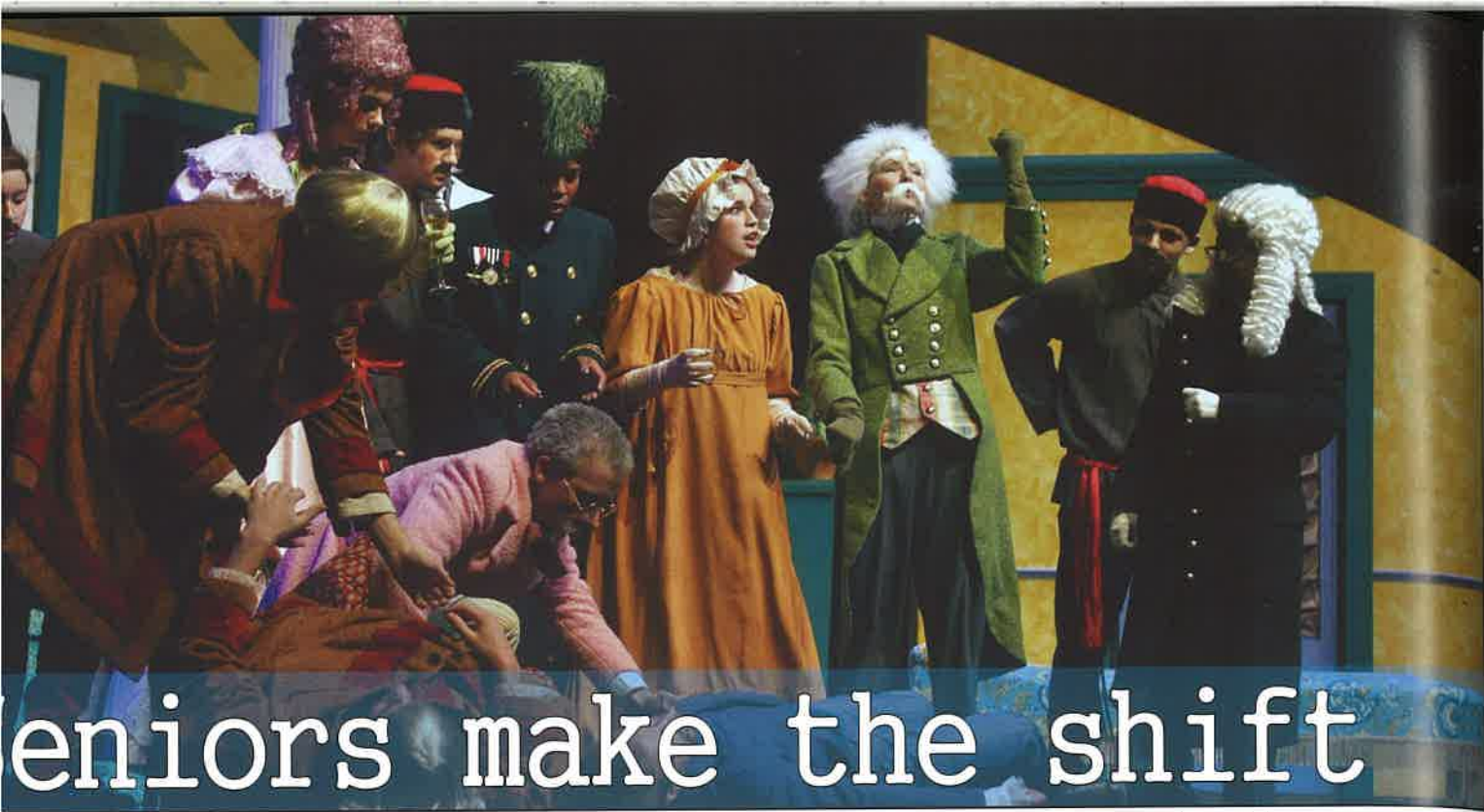
Mackenzie Lindblad, 12



"The smoothies tasted good, but were a little warm. If they were in the fridge a little longer, they would've been better. I think we should serve them at our school."

Zhaer Kakayi, 12





# Seniors make the shift

Seniors Amber Young-Ripplinger, Dalton Dunford, and Evan Hager, are adjusting to a big change in their high school careers. All throughout high school they have been performing on the West Fargo School stage. Their last show, "Beauty and the Beast", would be at Sheyenne High School in February of 2015. "Beauty and the Beast" is the first performance on the Sheyenne stage, in history. "It's a wonderful opportunity. We get to open up the theater with a new show and introduce it to the community," Hager said. Although a little heartbroken, the seniors know that the West Fargo High School stage will be left in "very caring and talented hands," Hager said.

The three West Fargo seniors are able to look past their heartbreak and be thrilled about making history at the Sheyenne High School.

"It's cool to be part of this new thing and to start traditions," Young-Ripplinger said. Being a brand new school, the Sheyenne stage may have more challenges than the West Fargo Stage.

"It's brand new, the makeup rooms are huge and the stage is beautiful. It [the auditorium] can also seat way more people," Ripplinger said.

"They [Sheyenne] have a lot of new and fun stuff we get to mess

around with, so that's pretty exciting," Dunford said.

The transformation to having "Beauty and the Beast", the last show the three seniors will participate in high school, is already being made. Amber, Dalton, and Evan are already rehearsing their lines for the show.

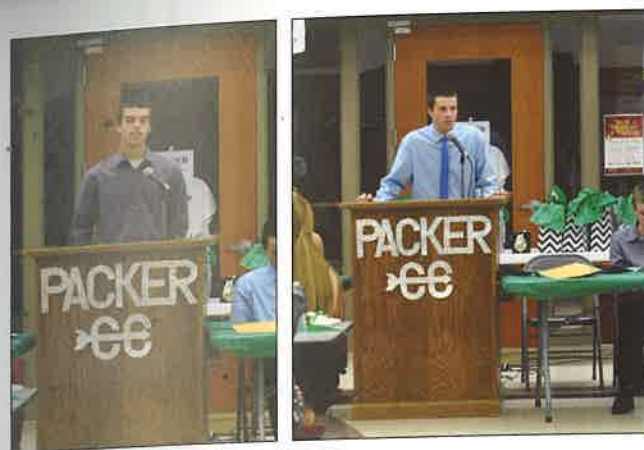
Young-Ripplinger, playing Madame De La Grande Bouche, a "larger-than-life singing wardrobe", in the upcoming performance, she said. "I realized I will still be with the same, amazing people and no matter where we are those connections are what are most important."

Dunford and Hager will both be participating in "Beauty and the Beast". Dunford will be playing Clogsworth, the clock, and said he is "super pumped for it". Hager, also in the play, will be playing Lumiere, the French candelabra.

The seniors, being a little heartbroken to be leaving the stage they have been performing on for so long, are reluctant to the new beginnings that are taking place for these three friends. The memories made on the West Fargo stage will forever be in their hearts, and yet new memories will be made at Sheyenne High School's stage.

Eli Ratchinski

Above: Seniors Amber Young-Ripplinger, Dalton Dunford, and Evan Hager are preparing for a new change to the theater tradition. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski



From left to right: **DELIVERING HIS FINAL** speech to the cross country team, senior Matthew Dufner goes to the last cross country banquet of his high school career. Photo by Natalie Zupan. **ADDRESSING HIS FELLOW** teammates and the families, senior Parker Rosenau gives his senior speech. Each senior received a monogrammed cross country blanket as a parting gift. Photo by Natalie Zupan. **PREPARING TO TAKE** a group picture, cross country teammates attempt to organize themselves on the steps in the commons. Photo by Nicolle Dew.



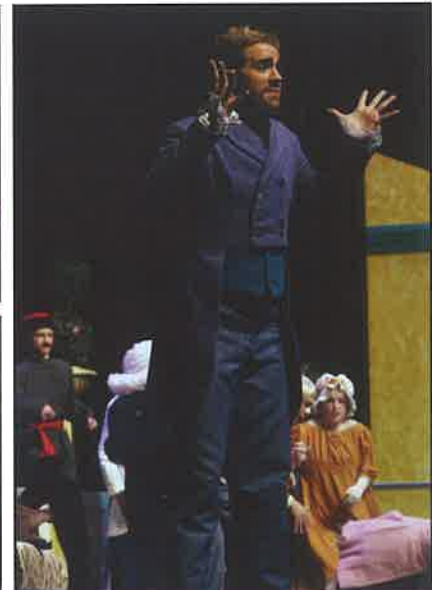
From left to right: **GETTING READY** to serve the ball, senior Seth Nordsrom competes in the DECA ping pong tournament. Nordsrom is the DECA president and helped put the tournament together. Photo by Ashley Dew. **BRICKING THE PADDLE**, senior Robby Eli returns the ball. The tournament was a part of DECA week to get the word out about DECA. Photo by Ashley Dew. **SENIOR KEVIN FARAHMAND** follows through and watches the ball fly over the net. Farahmand took third place in the overall tournament. Photo by Ashley Dew. **COMPETING** in the DECA ping pong tournament, senior Jake Tetander advances to the next round. The DECA tournament donated the proceeds of the tournament to fight Muscle Disease. Photo by Ashley Dew.



## Five Steps to Passing AP Senior English

- 1 You need to be dedicated to your studies. Be on top of your homework. *Alecia Deide*
- 2 Mentally prepare. Before you sign up, think, is this really what you want? *Sam Pickard*
- 3 Try to stay on (teacher Sybil) Hopkin's good side. *Matthew Hewitt*
- 4 Don't procrastinate when you get a due date. *Hannah Frisco*
- 5 Ask questions and make sure you fully understand everything. *Garret Thompson*

From left to right: **HOLDING THEIR OWN** bellies, junior Taylor and sophomore Peralta practice each week for "The Inspector". Senior Dunford gazes thoughtfully. Photo by Eli Ratchinski. **GOING AROUND** the paper, seniors of a Russian town discuss what the governor is holding. Characters never they could to the alleged governor. Photo by Eli Ratchinski. **ALL HANNAH** gestures in after the people of the intoxicated in the play, people intoxicated and out information from. Photo by Eli Ratchinski.



## Behind the Scenes

Mia Schuster, 12 Every theater production requires months of practice, months of building the set, and hours of technical rehearsals. What happens behind the scenes?



"Building the set takes quite a bit of time and requires the efforts of everyone involved in the show. Implementing the technical side of the production typically occurs the week we open called 'Tech Week', which is a week full of long rehearsals in order to put the presentation forward. Being backstage you are doing whatever needs to be done to keep things running smoothly."



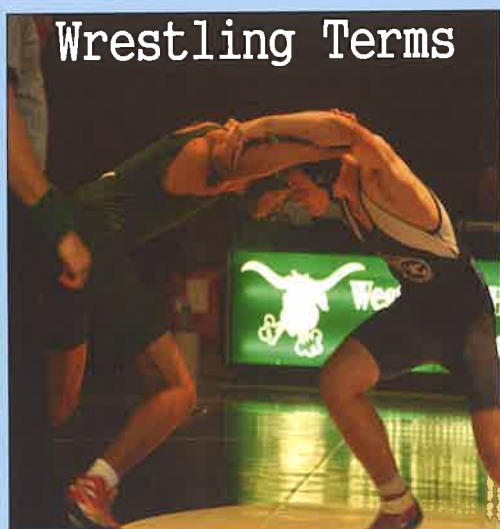
From left to right: **AT THE SOCIAL** Packers meeting, senior Britany Hurley looks through her backpack. Students met in the room by the theater to play games and get to know each other. Photo by Breana Orlando. **ENJOYING A SNACK** after school, volunteer Janeen Langowski and sophomore Arizona Hidalgo-Crowe speak about their activities that week. Social Packers meet once a month. Photo by Breana Orlando. **FLIPPING UNKNOWN** eating snacks, freshman Alison Schendel gets the opportunity to meet new people. She plans her next move by deciding which card she will lay down. Photo by Breana Orlando.



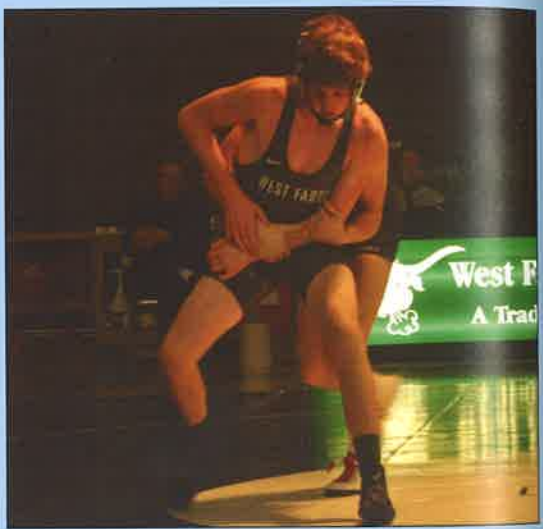
to right: SWIMMERS ENJOY THE food at the banquet while making conversation and enjoying their time as a team. Photo by Holly Belinskey. JUNIOR EMILY HUGBLEN gives her speech about her swimming season at the banquet for celebrating the end of the season. Photo by Holly Belinskey. SWIMMERS GATHER THEIR food before sitting down and eating, served by the swimmers. Photo by Holly Belinskey. JUNIOR EMILY HUGBLEN, under Andie Peterson and junior Kailey Donarski pose with their NISCA awards for being in the top 16 in the state. Photo by Holly



FREE POSITION: Jacob Franek is in the bottom position and the opponent is in top position, giving the upperhand against Jacob, but he has the position to counteract the position. Photo by Karly Randash.



NEUTRAL POSITION: Noah McDonald and his opponent showcase this position during their dual. The neutral position doesn't give either wrestler an advantage over their opponent. Photo by Kaylee Stokka.



STAND-UP POSITION: Franek is in a stand-up position pushing out from his opponents hold on him at the waist. Photo by Karly Randash.



From left to right: JUNIOR JAMES BEATY (#17) watches the puck obtained by junior Nicolas Salquist (#19), while skating away from their Bismarck opponents. Photo by Sabrina Leler. SENIOR LOGAN RIDDER (#14) makes a quick turn from where he's standing to follow the puck. Photo by Sabrina Leler. SENIOR GAVIN ELLIENSON (#12) takes a breather, although being ready to move when needed. Photo by Sabrina Leler. JUNIORS STONE SANDOZ, (#2) and Ben Pirks (#8) skate past the Bismarck High defense in their game.

# Fill the Dome raises hope

Fill the Dome is a completely student led project that is used to help the less fortunate in the Fargo-Moorhead area by providing food for the needy. For a first time, two members from the West Fargo High School (WFHS) student council, senior Cody Eisenbeisz and Danielle Dube, were a part of the Fill the Dome student board.

"We work together with every high school in the area to gain non-perishable food items," Dube said.

One of the tasks Eisenbeisz and Dube were given involved spending time working hard to find sponsors and supporters for the project.

Fill the Dome has obtained more than one million meals since the beginning in 2007, and has raised over \$400,000 for homeless shelters and support groups. As a goal, Eisenbeisz and Dube created a plan to obtain the one millionth physical meal from solid donations.

"The main goal in Fill the Dome is to Feed, Teach, and Develop,"

Dube said. "What this means is that we feed those in need, teach the community about those in need and are less fortunate and develop a community where people are aware of those around who need help."

Eisenbeisz and Dube raised sponsorships for the project along with other ambassadors from schools in the region.

"Many people don't realize how big of an impact this has on the community," Eisenbeisz said.

Fill the Dome has helped the less fortunate for several years, and it would not have been created or organized if it were not for the students who raised donations each year.

"We have realized how big of an impact Fill the Dome has had on the community that we just keep holding it every year, and we plan on keeping it for many more," Dube said.

Anthony Peralta

Above: JUNIOR ALISON INMAN and sophomore Jaelyn Lardy pass a box of cans between them to distribute the weight. To effectively remove the boxes from the bus, the Student Council members formed an assembly line. Photo by Logan Ahern.



From left to right: JUNIOR KELLY WALKER takes boxes from another volunteer with a smile, adding to the collection of cans that students gathered. Photo by Logan Ahern. SOPHOMORE CODY BENSTOCK, senior Izzy Waite and juniors Kennedy Sand and Taylor Laufenberg organize cans with a leaning tower of boxes behind them. Photo by Logan Ahern. JUNIOR ALEXIS HUESBY places cans accordingly in order to save space as much as possible. Photo by Logan Ahern. FINALLY FINISHED WITH placing cans, the floor is covered with cans and boxes in order to give to people in need. Photo by Logan Ahern.

## Macy's Day Parade



# Thanksgiving



## Brenna Kallod plays in parade



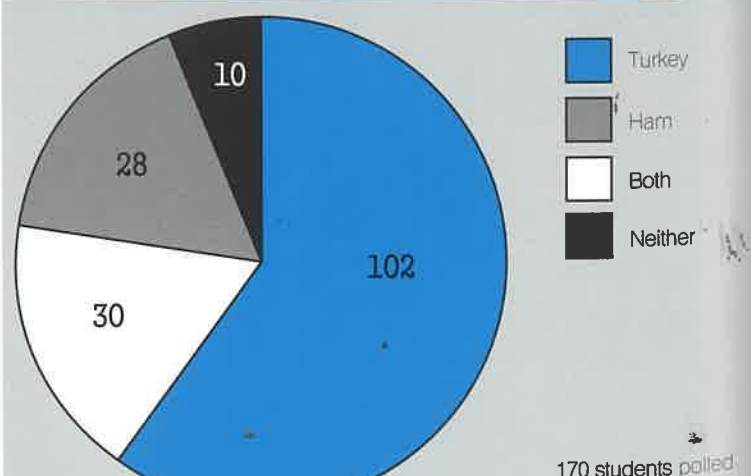
"On Herald's Square the excitement was almost overwhelming. It was great our lines were perfectly straight and our footwork always intact. When I applied they did not require a live audition because I had already made it into All-State, just a list of accomplishments. I sent a letter in and received one back informing me that I was in that parade for 2014. I have been blessed with a really good ear for music and thanks to my musical background, it was fairly easy to memorize the music. Marching band songs are not difficult themselves. However, when you mix the song and the drill, it becomes extremely hard. The day of the parade was cold so I had to bundle in layers. My gloves were cut off the fingers to accommodate playing the flute. The overall experience was amazing. The journey has encouraged me to pursue more, try more and give more."

## Holiday Snapchats



Elizabeth Krueger, 11      Chelsey Chessman, 12      Lexi Brown, 11

## Turkey or Ham?



## Unique Traditions



**Vegetarianism**  
 "I don't eat meat. I usually eat other things we have and it's not too difficult for me to do. On Thanksgiving my mom made ham, but I didn't have any. When eating I just stick to salad and mashed potatoes mostly. My favorite is the dessert."  
 Samantha Pickard, 12



**Religious restrictions**  
 "I am a Sunni Muslim. Islam, my religion, revolves around being clean and staying true to yourself while praying five times a day. During Thanksgiving, my family and I don't celebrate it as others do, but we get festive for the tradition by making a lot of other foods."

## Black Friday



### Struggles of working Black Friday

"Working on Black Friday was really fun, but it was hard to be working a double shift, stay super late at Aeropostale and to miss part of my Thanksgiving."  
 Karlee Wold, 11



# Girl's Golf

Year	Name	Scoring Average	East West	East West	GFCC	Meadows	Bois de Sioux	Rosa Creek	Edgewood	King's Walk	Village Green	Fargo CC	East Region	State Tourney	State Tournament
11	Katie Froemke	94.8	96	113	97	89	87	92	98	92	94	87	95	97	95
9	Ashley Peterson	97.2	102	109	107	96	98	87	101	94	88	90	100	98	93
8	Maggie Manson	97.4	106	107	98	87	92	103		100	92	95	95	98	96
12	Kennedy Kraft	99.5	101	102	95	99	93	95	103	93	102	102	102	104	99
12	Sierra Peterson	100.1	104	104	109	94	99	94	98	96	100	97	97	108	102
9	Jessica Price	102.0			102										
9	Allison Ault	104.1					100	103	104	108		104	104	108	102
10	Katie Brown	110.4	108	119	115				109		101				
	West Fargo	385.4	403	422	397	366	370	368	400	375	374	368	387	397	383

# Cross Country

<p>TOP 5 WF GIRLS FINISHERS HILLSBORO HS MEET 8/23/14 Jennifer Dufner Andrea Milbrath Alyssa Flom Nicole Schreiner Alexis Huseby</p> <p>WILMAR MEET RAND FORKS INVITE 8/28/14 Jennifer Dufner Andrea Milbrath Alexis Young Nicole Schreiner Alexis Huseby</p> <p>MINOT SOURIS VALLEY INVITE 9/6/14 Jennifer Dufner Andrea Milbrath Alexis Young Nicole Schreiner Alyssa Flom</p>	<p>VALLEY CITY INVITE 9/20/14 1. Jennifer Dufner 2. Andrea Milbrath 3. Alexis Young 4. Nicole Schreiner 5. Alyssa Flom</p> <p>STATE MEET 10/25/14 1. Jennifer Dufner 2. Alexis Young 3. Andrea Milbrath 4. Alexis Huseby 5. Abbie Cleary</p> <p>TOP WF BOYS FINISHERS HILLSBORO HS MEET 8/23/14 1. Parker Rosenau 2. John Emerson 3. Jacob Franek 4. Matthew Dufner 5. Keegan Cronin</p>	<p>EDC CONFERENCE 10/11/14 1. Jennifer Dufner 2. Alexis Young 3. Andrea Milbrath 4. Alexis Huseby 5. Abbie Cleary</p> <p>STATE MEET 10/25/14 1. Jennifer Dufner 2. Nicole Schreiner 3. Andrea Milbrath 4. Alexis Huseby 5. Alexis Young</p> <p>WILMAR MEET 1. Parker Rosenau 2. John Emerson 3. Jacob Franek 4. Keegan Cronin 5. Jared Kroke</p>	<p>WEST FARGO INVITE 9/6/14 1. Parker Rosenau 2. John Emerson 3. Jared Kroke 4. Jacob Franek 5. Drew Mears</p> <p>VALLEY CITY INVITE 9/20/14 1. Parker Rosenau 2. John Emerson 3. Keegan Cronin 4. Jacob Franek 5. Drew Mears</p> <p>STATE MEET 10/25/14 1. Parker Rosenau 2. John Emerson 3. Keegan Cronin 4. Jacob Franek 5. Drew Mears</p>	<p>MINOT SOURIS VALLEY INVITE 10/4/14 1. Parker Rosenau 2. John Emerson 3. Keegan Cronin 4. Jacob Franek 5. Drew Mears</p>
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# Volleyball

<p>West Fargo 3, Wahpeton 0 (25-12, 25-23, 25-16) Lakeville North 2, West Fargo 0 (25-20, 25-9) Totino Grace 2, West Fargo 0 (25-11, 25-19) West Fargo 2, Fergus Falls 0 (25-12, 25-18) West Fargo 2, Burnsville 0 (25-23, 27-25) Fargo Shanley 3, West Fargo 0 (25-15, 25-15, 25-18) West Fargo 3, Fargo North 0 (26-24, 25-21, 25-14) Fargo Davies 3, West Fargo 0 (25-22, 26-24, 25-16) GF Red River 3, West Fargo 0 (25-15, 25-23, 25-13) Valley City 3, West Fargo 1 (14-25, 25-18, 25-23, 25-22) West Fargo 3, GF Central 0 (25-12, 25-16, 25-21) Fargo South 3, West Fargo 2 (25-13, 20-25, 21-25, 25-19, 16-14)</p>	<p>10/6 W- West Fargo 3, Devils Lake 0 (25-19, 25-20, 25-12) 10/7 L- WF Sheyenne 3, West Fargo 0 (25-17, 25-12, 25-23) 10/14 W- West Fargo 3, Wahpeton 0 (25-12, 25-21, 25-9) 10/21 L- Sheyenne 3, West Fargo 1 (27-29, 25-18, 25-20, 26-24) 10/23 L- Fargo Shanley 3, West Fargo 0 (25-11, 25-17, 25-13) 10/28 L- Fargo North 3, West Fargo 0 (25-18, 25-17, 25-22) 10/30 L- Fargo Davies 3, West Fargo 0 (25-18, 25-13, 25-16) 11/4 L- GF Red River 3, West Fargo 0 (2-16, 25-17, 25-22) 11/7 West Fargo 3, Devils Lake 1 (26-24, 20-25, 25-18, 25-21) 11/10 Quarterfinals: Fargo Shanley 3, West Fargo 0 (25-11, 25-13, 25-12) 11/14 Consolation Semifinals: West Fargo 3, Fargo North 0 (25-14, 25-17, 25-18) 11/15 EDC State Qualifiers: Fargo Davies 3, West Fargo 0 (25-20, 25-10, 27-25)</p>
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JUNIOR SHERRY LARSON is serving the ball over the net. The girls varsity team played against Valley City. Photo by Breanna Orlando. JUNIOR ALEXIS HUSEBY runs up a hill while doing a 4k in the Minot Souris Valley Invite. She placed in the top five of West Fargo girls who ran that meet. Photo by Ashley Dew. FRESHMAN JESSICA PRICE swings her golf club to hit the golf ball. This photo was taken at the Fargo Country Club. Photo by Ashley Dew.

# Soccer

8/16 W- West Fargo 1, Bismarck High 0  
L- Bismarck Century 3, West Fargo 2  
8/19 W- West Fargo 2, Fargo North 1  
8/21 T- West Fargo 1, Fargo North 1  
8/22 W- West Fargo 6, Shanley 3  
8/26 L- GF Red River 2, West Fargo 1  
8/28 L- Fargo Shanley 1, West Fargo 0  
9/2 W- West Fargo 4, GF Central 0  
9/4 W- West Fargo 1, Fargo Davies 0  
9/9 T- West Fargo 0, Fargo North 0  
9/16 W- West Fargo 6, GF Red River  
9/18 T- West Fargo 1, Fargo Shanley 1  
9/23 W- West Fargo 2, Fargo South 1  
9/27 W- West Fargo 1, GF Central 0  
9/30 T- West Fargo 2 Moorhead 2  
10/9 State Quarterfinals West Fargo 3, Minot High 1  
10/10 State Boys Soccer: West Fargo 4, GF Central 2  
10/11 State Title Match: West Fargo 3, Fargo Shanley 1

# Swimming

Date	Opponent	Site	Final Meet/Score	Date	Opponent	Site	Final Meet/Score
9/5/2014	Metro Conference	Fargo Davies	Won	9/20/2014	Wahpeton	LE Berger	Won 45-15
9/12/2014	Wahpeton	Fargo Davies	Won	9/27/2014	GF Central	Grand Forks Central	Won 85-14
9/29/2014	Fargo Davies	Fargo Davies	Won 117-63	10/7/2014	GF Red River	Grand Forks Central	Won 131-62
10/13/2014	Devils Lake	Wahpeton	Won	10/12/2014	Wahpeton	LE Berger	Won 119-17
9/18/2014	WF Sheyenne	LE Berger	Won	10/11/2014	Fargo Davies Invite	LE Berger	Won
9/11/2014	Fargo Davies	LE Berger	Won 105-44	10/23/2014	Alexis	Minot	Lost
9/23/2014	Moorhead	Moorhead	Won 115-71	10/25/2014	Minot Invite	Minot	Lost
9/13/2014	Wahpeton	LE Berger	Won	9/12/2014	Fargo North	Fargo North	Won 64-15
9/30/2014	Shanley	LE Berger	Won 51-11				



SENIOR MASON WIKSTROM passes the ball to a teammate. He is a captain of the varsity boys team. Photo by Elizabeth Ratcheski. SENIORS BEN PROCHNOW, MASON WIKSTROM, and ANDREW SAITER anxiously watch the ball hoping for their teammate to score a goal. Photo by Elizabeth Ratcheski.



CAULY ROYMEYER swims to the end of the pool. The swim meet was held at the LE Berger Pool.

# Boy's Tennis

9/2 L- Red River 9, West Fargo 0  
9/4 W- West Fargo 7, Valley City 2  
9/5 W- West Fargo 6, Williston 3  
W- West Fargo 6, Bismarck Century 3  
9/6 W- West Fargo 7, Mandan 2  
W-West Fargo 5, Jamestown 4  
9/8 L- West Fargo 4, Grand Forks Central 5  
9/11 W- West Fargo 8, Wahpeton 1  
9/12 W- West Fargo 4, Bismarck High 1  
W- West Fargo 3, Minot High 2  
9/16 W- West Fargo 6, Fargo Davies 3  
9/18 W- West Fargo 6, Fargo North 3  
9/25 EDC Boys Tennis Team Tourney- Grand Forks- West Fargo #4 vs. #5 Fargo Davies  
9/25 W-State Qualifiers Match 11: West Fargo 3, Fargo North 2  
L- Match 3: West Fargo vs. Bismarck Century  
10/2 State Boys Tennis- First Round Quarterfinals  
W- Match 3: West Fargo 3, Bismarck Century 2  
Championship Semifinals  
W- Match 8: West Fargo 3, GF Central 2  
State Title Match: West Fargo 1, GF Red River 4



SENIOR BYRON BALWISER hits the ball over the net. The tennis team played against Valley City and won. Photo by Sabrina Leier. JUNIOR MOHAMMED MOHAMMED hits the ball over the net. The team won against Valley City. Photo by Sabrina Leier.

# Football

Date	Opponent	Team Score	Opp. Score
Aug. 29	MINOT HIGH	12	20
Sept. 5	@ Bismarck High	14	21
Sept. 12	WF SHEYENNE	34	14
Sept. 19	GF RED RIVER	37	7
Sept. 26	FARGO NORTH	33	0
Oct. 3	@ GF Central	57	0
Oct. 10	@ Fargo Davies	13	14
Oct. 18	DEVILS LAKE	41	0
Oct. 24	@ Fargo South	44	10
Post-Season			
Oct. 31	MINOT HIGH	8	24



SENIOR CAMERON DEW passes the ball before getting tackled. The team played against Fargo North.

# UNBELIEVABLE.



"My New Year's resolution would definitely be to get straight A's this school year."

Thomas Frost, 10



"I truly love the thought of a warm fire and a rather large dog hanging out, give or take the necessity of other's company. I also love Jesus, so that's a huge plus."

Alexander O'Connell, 11



"I thought it was really cool getting to hold an actual brain, but the smell was really bad after a while."

Ellen Cernik, 12



The Choir students performed their holiday Christmas concert on Tuesday, Dec. 10th in the West Fargo High School Theater. Photo By Sierra Bolster.



Sophomore Halli Seppa blocks her opponent from getting the puck. The game took place in the Veterans Arena. Photo By Mandi Rakoczy.



Senior Wasrow Dougan duels against his opponent at a wrestling tournament. The wrestling tournament took place in Wehopton, ND. Photo By Elizabeth Ratchonski.



Sophomore Jacob Nygaard dives into the pool as the crowd cheers him on. Nygaard's team participated in the 200m relay. Photo By Breana Orlando.

# Winter 2015



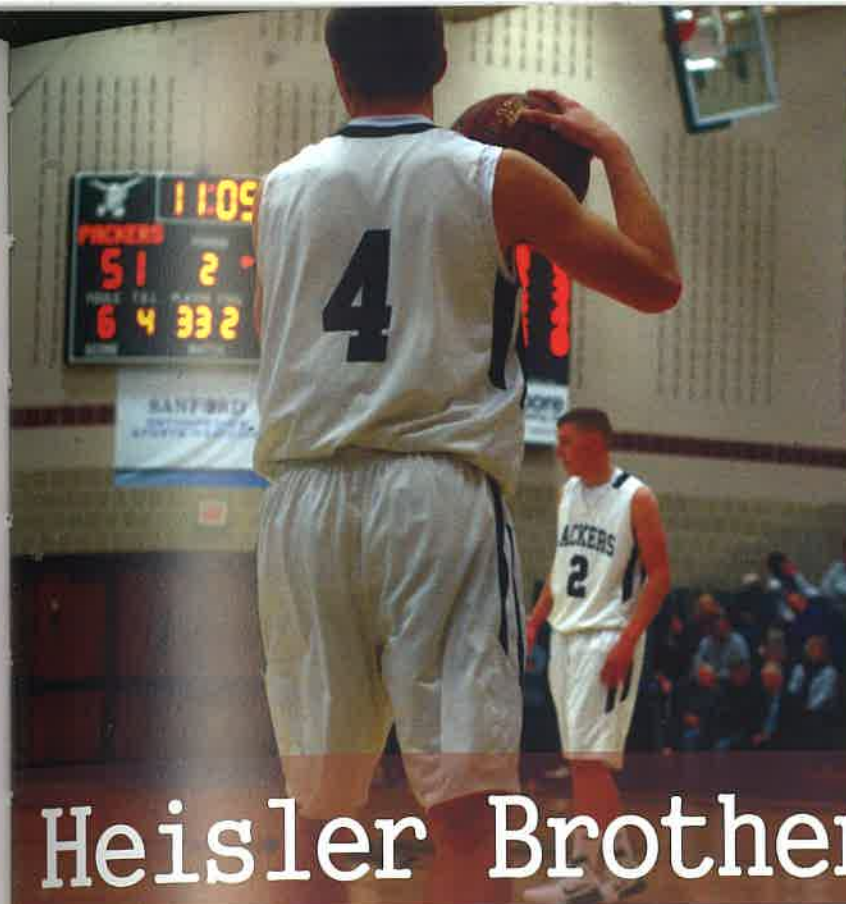
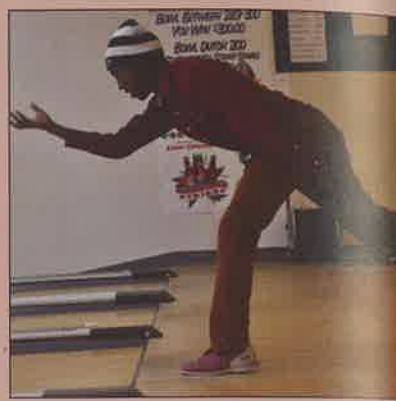


## Striving for the Perfect Score

"It was fun. I look forward to it every year."

Zach Lehmann, 12

From left to bottom right: Senior Zach Lehmann concentrates while bowling during physical education class. The phy. ed. classes went to the bowling alley for class for the week. **Photo by Breana Orlando.** Sophomore Ethan Klein focuses on getting his form perfect. **Photo by Breana Orlando.** Senior Axel Mowbray focuses on letting go of the ball. **Photo by Breana Orlando.** Senior Blakey Zalkin slowly lets go of the ball while concentrating to get a strike. **Photo by Breana Orlando.**



## Heisler Brothers Share Court

Seniors Brady and Andrew Heisler are currently in their second year of playing varsity basketball. As the brothers have progressed through their high school basketball career, they note that their athletic determination is strengthened through their relationship as brothers and as a team.

"I am so use to playing with Andrew that it does not even feel like he is my brother, he is just another player on the team that I happen to live with," Brady said.

Andrew also agrees that he enjoys playing with his brother.

"It is nice having somebody on your team that will have your back no matter what happens," Andrew said.

They confirm that their main goal is to better themselves for the sake of the team. Brady believes they are not as competitive towards each other as they are supportive of each other's progression.

"We hold a certain standard that we expect both of us to meet every night," Brady said. "This standard is what makes it easy for us to play with each other because we both know what our end goal is which is to make the team better as a whole."

Boys assistant coach Adam Palczewski has coached the boys since their freshman year of basketball. Brady and Andrew both consider Palczewski the most influential coach they have had.

"They do hold each other accountable," Palczewski said. "Neither one of them is afraid to tell the other one if their effort is slacking or if they should have done something different in a certain situation. However, each of them knows that it's only out of love and caring that they get on each other because they want the best for each other."

Furthering their experiences with each other, the brothers directed their time towards basic training for the military. In order to attend this training, they had to set aside their basketball training for the summer.

"I joined the military for the experience, the parts of the world it offers you to see and for the free education," Andrew said. "My most valuable experience while at basic would have to be all of the different people and backgrounds that others had. There is nobody quite like yourself and it is cool to get to see how others act based on where they are from."

Unlike most of the people in the camp, whose families they could not contact frequently, the Heislers had each other to rely on in person. The brothers deem their experience together as an advantage because they were able to escape their struggles and communicate with each other if they needed to take time away from their experience.

"All of the other people only had communication with family once a week in a letter, but I had him there in person there whole time," Andrew said.

To their fortune, the Heisler were always kept within close contact with the others during their training.

"We were always together at basic because they did most things by last name," Andrew said. "We did pretty much everything together."

Coach Palczewski notes that the bond between the brothers is strengthened through their commitments with the teams. By helping one another they have become better players.

They are genuinely excited when each other has success. Each of them has had struggles at times and they were there for each other. Going through tough times with people strengthens the bonds between them and they have gone through everything together their entire lives," Palczewski said.

Irene Astran

Above: Seniors Brady and Andrew Heisler show off their skills during the game against the Sheyenne Mustangs. The team also huddles up to represent their bond as teammates. **Photos by Breana Orlando.**



From left to right: Sophomore Sophia Berger sings a solo at the beginning of her choir concert. **Photo by Sierra Balster.** Senior Arineta Dlop puts food baskets for French Club. **Photo by Holly Belinsky.** Sophomore Mackenzie gets ready to steal the puck from the opposing player. Girls against Grand Forks. **Photo by Mandi Rakoczy.** Choir students sling Christmas gear on for ending their choir concert. **Photo by Sierra Balster.** Jessica Qian and sophomore Mijwok Ajang create cards for the food baskets for French Club. French Club delivered baskets to French speakers in the community. **Photo by Holly Belinsky.** Freshman Mariah takes the puck from an offending player. **Photo by Mandi Rakoczy.** The Atlanta Leffler and Mijwok Ajang talk while putting the baskets during a French Club meeting. **Photo by Holly Belinsky.**



From left to right: Senior Josh Percorus goes up to make a basket against a Sheyenne basketball player. It was the first-ever game the basketball team played against the Sheyenne Mustangs. **Photo by Breana Orlando.** Sophomore Jenia Beck passes to sophomore Samantha Dullum quickly during the girls C-Team game. **Photo by Breana Orlando.** Senior Cassidy Nelson and senior Jenaya Wentz race to get the ball in the varsity game against the Mustangs. **Photo by Erin Daignault.** Senior Melvin Cousins passes a block from a Sheyenne Mustang player and makes an attempt for the basket. **Photo by Annie Mattern.**

## Math Club

Math teacher Jill Backlund who is in charge of Math Club buys snacks for everyone to eat while talking about math. Seniors Tom Tran and Kayla Walker eat and their snacks and ask questions on math homework. Students can join Math Club at any time during the school year for help. **Photos by Sabrina Leler.**



## Social Packers

Jennifer Stroh, the teacher in charge of the Social Packers Club, scheduled a cooking meeting. Together they made spaghetti, garlic bread, punch, pretzels with rollos and sugar cookies. **Photos by Breana Orlando.**

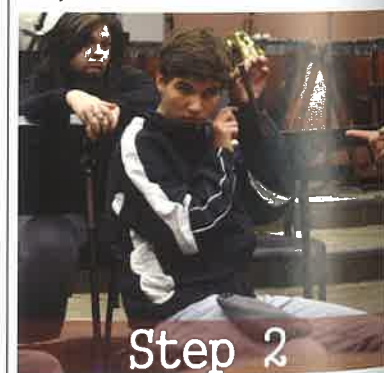


From left to right: Student Council Sophomores Jacob Schweitzer and Jaelyn Lardy organize mini Christmas stockings that members from across the state decorated. When running for state office, junior Ally Carson ran with the platform "Service is Leadership" and had the conference attendees participate in a service project. **Photo by Logan Ahern.** SETTING THE STOCKINGS OUT TO DRY, Student Council members lay them down with ease to make sure not to smudge the art. Members had the option to decorate the stocking with puffy paint and stickers. **Photo by Logan Ahern.** STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS FROM ACROSS THE STATE WALK AROUND WHILE STATE OFFICERS pitch their ideas in order to get a vote. Officers handed out campaign materials such as stickers and buttons. **Photo by Logan Ahern.** DRYING BEFORE BEING PACKAGED AWAY, the stockings were laid out for everyone to see what they accomplished. After being displayed they were carefully packaged to be donated to families that could not afford Christmas decorations. **Photo by Logan Ahern.** STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS GATHER TOGETHER FOR A GROUP PICTURE WHILE WEARING CAMPAIGN SHIRTS. The shirts read "Service is Leadership, Vote for Carson." **Photo by Duane Bros.** SENIOR IZZY WARE organizes stockings for them to dry. Members made over 200 stockings all together to be donated. **Photo by Logan Ahern.**

## Guitar Making Lessons



**Step 1**  
Guitar maker Bill Brunton explains to the class how to choose what type of wood to use for a guitar. **Photo by Breana Orlando.**



**Step 2**  
Senior Zach Burtisfield questions if the wood is good enough to use because it must age for some time. **Photo by Breana Orlando.**



**Step 3**  
Brunton explains to the class how to cut design and



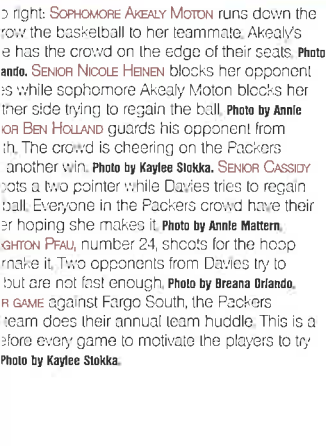
# Hat Day Brings Unity

For senior Kenny Son, the struggle of having a house burn down has been difficult and unfortunately it has happened three times to his own home. The first time was hard enough. "My initial reaction to the fire was like, 'again, this is happening again. Why do I have to deal with this messed up house stuff again?'" Son said. Luckily, no one was home during the fire, so nobody was injured. The damage was severe enough that West Fargo High helped out. Counselor Julie Hersch organized a hat day to raise money for Son and his family to rebuild their house. He said his family was very grateful for the money that was raised. "I was kind of surprised about it, but I am very thankful for the school for doing that for my family," Son said. "It helped our family a lot. Actually, my dad came to pick up money, but the money the school collected was a lot, so he gave back around \$150 to the backpack program." According to Hersch, about half the school participated in it. She said the family felt very overwhelmed with generosity. Some people decided to donate without wearing a hat. "There were some people who even donated more than just a dollar to help out, which was really cool," Hersch said.

Son's home may take a while to rebuild, since the fire was mildly severe. Son said the fire was mainly linked to the family room and his sister's room. "It's hard to say how long it would take to rebuild the home. I would say it may take up to a year," Hersch said. As of now, the family remains living away from their home, waiting for it to get rebuilt. With the money raised by students and faculty, it will be rebuilt faster than originally scheduled. Hersch said she was very eager to help the family out. She says that the setting up of the hat day was simple to put together and there were a lot of students very willing to help out. She claimed that there were a lot of students who donated and it should make West Fargo High School very proud. "We're very proud of all the kids and teachers in raising the money. People really went out of their way to help out, and we're very proud of that, which also makes our school look very good," Hersch said.

Sierra Balster

KENNEDY SON AND HIS FAMILY POSE FOR A FAMILY PHOTO WHILE IN CHICAGO FOR A FAMILY VACATION. **Photo submitted by Kennedy Son.**



to right: The West Fargo basketball team gathers in a huddle to get pumped up for the game in the West Fargo school gymnasium. This is a pre game tradition the team does before every game. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy. Senior Adam Lopez attempts to block the ball with the aid of senior Brady Heister at a game against Fargo South High School. Photo by Holly Belnskey. Senior Brady Heister jumps to get making for a good shot. Photo by Holly Belnskey. Senior Ben shoots a free throw scoring a point giving the Packers a lead against the Bruins. Photo by Holly Belnskey.



# Siblings Face Tragedy

Senior Matt Montplaisir and junior Sarah Montplaisir experienced an unusual trip to school on Tuesday, December 23rd. The two siblings, who live in the Harwood area, hit ice going across the edge near the Sheyenne River. With Matt in the driver's seat and Sarah as the passenger, the two managed to stay on the road before Sarah went unconscious due to hitting his head on the steering wheel. "I had no idea what was happening," Sarah said. Sarah was looking at her phone when the crash occurred and she was unconscious for the entirety of the incident. According to the Montplaisirs, authorities arrived within 15 minutes. Sarah exited the car within five minutes of the fire department's arrival with minimal injuries, one of which being a laceration on her left hand. Matt, however, suffered more serious harm with a broken right ankle, broken pelvis on the left side, and bruising to the face. "They thought that I may have had kidney problems, because of some back pain," Matt Montplaisir said. "But when they did a CAT scan, it was just that my spleen was bleeding internally. Apparently that's not so bad. They weren't concerned at all, they just wanted to get me home."

While both Montplaisirs are swimmers, the accident will not affect Sarah's season. Matt has been instructed to wait on swimming for the time being. "The doctor says I'll probably be able to swim again at state, so that will be good," Montplaisir said. The senior will still face limitations at state. His doctor does not anticipate Matt Montplaisir being able to perform a dolphin kick or perform a flip turn, which involves the pelvis. Sarah Montplaisir returned to school on the Monday after winter break, while Matt Montplaisir did not return until the immediate Wednesday. Senior Wyatt Torvik, a friend of Matt Montplaisir, is confident in his recovery. "What concluded my initial thoughts about the accident was remembering Matt's good spirit and outlook on everything," Torvik said. "This event is simply another obstacle he'll overcome because of his attitude toward life itself."

Tessa Chambers

Above: Sitting restricted in his house, senior Matthew Montplaisir ponders his accident. Montplaisir has to wait until...

## New Year's Resolutions



"My New Year's resolution would definitely be to get straight A's this school year."  
-Thomas Frost, 10



"I want to focus on spending more time with my family."  
-Taylor Rosenkranz, 12



"I am making a goal for myself this year to pass all my classes since I am graduating this year."  
-Ryan Cornette, 12



From top left to bottom right: Going for a basket, junior Bennett Benson throws the ball towards the basket at the JV Basketball game at Fargo South High School. Photo by Sierra Balster. Sophomore Rishi Collins dribbles the ball down the court making an attempt to move past South High School players. Photo by Sierra Balster. Sophomore Hunter Moore scores a layout basket for West Fargo JV Basketball at Fargo South High School on Jan. 3rd. Photo by Sierra Balster. Freshman cut the opponent, sophomore Jacob Johnson dribbles the ball down the court to score a point for West Fargo. Photo by Sierra Balster.



From left to right: Posing with her young cousins at the Elmwood park sledding hill, senior Janelle Dillard enjoyed a day of sledding with family. Photo submitted by Janelle Dillard. Seniors Madeline St. Marie, Jessica Schatz, Izzy Waite, and Talia Dalzell traveled to Detroit Mountain over winter break to test their snowboarding skills. Photo submitted by Jessica Schatz. Spinning warm and making use of her time inside, senior Cassandra Lemere made gingerbread cookies from scratch using her own recipe at her West Fargo Home. Photo submitted by Cassandra Lemere. Senior Jada Flesche poses with her brother sophomore Drake Flesche on Christmas morning in their matching flannel pajama pants. Photo submitted by Jada Flesche.

Senior members perform multiple different songs during first lunch. They enjoy the caroling as they finish their lunch. Photo by Breana Orlando.



# Christmas

Senior Eisenbeisz dates in the game (left) with her brother, Joey Eisenbeisz. Members played at the holiday party. Photo by Ashley Dew.



At the boys basketball game at Fargo Davies, students sport their ugly holiday sweaters. Submitted Photo. At their Christmas holiday party, the entire cheer squad poses for a picture wearing their ugly sweaters. They celebrated that night with some team bonding and eating some Christmas goodies. Submitted Photo.



## Best parts of Christmas



"Family, one big family and also a big get together on Christmas day."

-Joseph Frisinger, 11

On the last day before Christmas break, Anatomy/Physiology teacher Michael Preston shows his spirit by wearing a holiday buck t-shirt.

"I truly love the thought of a warm fire and a rather large dog hanging out, give or take the necessity of others company. I also love Jesus, so that's a huge plus!"

-Alexander O'Connell, 11

## Real or fake tree? 27-real 73-fake

Dec. 16th girls varsity basketball the Packatahnas had their holiday during half time performance a mash up of different Holiday like, "Jingle Bells" and "Rockin' Around The Christmas Tree". Each year Packatahnas perform for the holidays entertainment for the Photo by Breana



While having an after school snack sophomore Alexis Hancock and sophomore Drew Baxley enjoy some fun games at the Art Club holiday party. Photo by Sabrina Leler. Junior Drew Baxley holds up his phone while Brandon Witt tries to help him figure out what the answer is. Photo by Sabrina Leler. Laughing at one of the answers, senior Brandon Witt, sophomore Clarissa Mayer, and senior McKayla Campagna all have fun at the Art Club holiday party. Photo by Sabrina Leler.



From left to right: Senior Austin Erno looks for an open teammate to pass the ball in this game against the Shanley Deacons, the Packers lost 68-60. Photo by Karly Randash. Seniors Anna Baludgarmer and Bailey Pederson work together to cut strips into their fabric. National Honor Society made tie blankets during their January meeting. Photo by Sierra Balster. Senior Cassi Houser cuts strips in the fabric as fellow senior Kathleen Merkel ties the knots. These blankets were donated to a local charity. Photo by Sierra Balster. Looking for a way to get to the basket, junior Akealy Moton dribbles the ball. Photo by Karly Randash. Junior Euzabeth Krueger jumps up to shoot the ball from just before the three-point line. While teammate Kennedi Sandi cheers her on from behind. Photo by Karly Randash.



# Throwing for the Lead

Junior Keely Walker has been an avid athlete in West Fargo not only as a basketball player, but as a state champion over for two years in a row.

She has been a leading thrower since she started in eighth grade. She holds two records from the 2014 season for West Fargo School for shot put with a distance 43 feet and 2.5 inches, which happens to be the winning distance at state last year.

She also holds the school discus record with 130 feet and 11 inches.

"I always have to know in the back of my mind that the other girls are always improving, so I need to do that as well. There's always room for improvement, right?" Walker said.

"Keely had a phenomenal year as a sophomore setting school records in both shot put and discus," throwing coach Adam Zweski said. "She is an extremely talented athlete and she has that with an excellent work ethic."

She has also been a part of the girls basketball team.

"My throwing coaches convinced me to, because they said it

Walker plans to do track again this spring.

"I'm excited. We've got a great group of throwers this year," Walker said. "I'm surrounded by a bunch of hard workers who would also love the recognition. Lexi Stein and Alex Talley have [also] been competing for a few years and have been to state."

Lately, she has been talking to Stanford University coaches about the upcoming 2014-2015 season.

"Colleges aren't really allowed to offer anything until after July 1st following your junior year because of NCAA rules," Walker said. "We've just been talking about the track program in general, but it's not super serious."

"In the fall I had more time to talk to coaches and look more into programs, whereas now I have to focus most of my energy on basketball and school," Walker said. "I want to be an orthopedic doctor, because they work closely with sports and sports injuries."

Walker's track season starts in late February.

Kaylee Stokka

## Early Chemistry Finals: Performance lab



From left to right: Recording her progress, Junior Brië Pulczinski works with her partner Justine Irakiza to accomplish the Chemistry final. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy. Measuring out the substance, junior Paige Olson moves the weight back and forth in order to balance each side. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy. Junior Keely Walker records data found during her experiment. After recording data, students have to write a lab summary. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy.



From left to right: Defending the goal, junior Mick Salquist skates in front of his opponent. The referee has created a barrier between the opponent and the goal. Photo by Sabrina Leler. Patience is a virtue as senior Austin Chase stands by the platform. Photo by Breana Orlando. Pushing the puck down the ice, juniors Blake Boyer and Stone Sandoval team up against their opponent. The packers broke the 4-4 tie against Fargo Davies with a shootout. Photo by Sabrina Leler. Junior on the platform senior Carson Keller competes in diving. During the race competitors have to do the blank stroke and try to beat their opponent. Photo by Breana Orlando.



## Song Writing Challenges

"The difficult thing about writing songs is creating the distinguishing part of it that makes it stand out, and then developing it into a full song while also attempting to make it something you, yourself would listen to. It's difficult to accomplish, but the outcome is very satisfying."

Katelyn Johnson, 12

"A lot of song writers have been through something that still bugs them, someone that broke their heart, or just something significant that happened in their life. They use those things to help them write. The challenge I face is that I don't have many significant things to write about. So it's hard to find a subject to stick to and put a lot of meaning behind it to make it worth while and also to make it so the audience can understand it."

Tyler Thompson, 12

From left to right: Standing at the microphone, senior Tyler Thompson sings his song he composed. He is accompanied by the rest of the guitar class playing along. Photo by Elizabeth Ratcheski. Putting the drums, these special education students performed on stage with the guitar students. Photo by Elizabeth Ratcheski. Conducting his students, guitar teacher Mark Barnison plays along to a song with his students. Photo by Elizabeth Ratcheski.

to right: SENIOR ANDREW HESLER opposing players to make towards the basket. The West Fergo boys lost with a score of 15-17. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy. SENIOR ALEX SLEETER gets ready to pass the ball to his team mates during a basketball game at West Fargo High School. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy. SENIOR ALEX SLEETER gets ready to pass the ball to his team mates during a basketball game at West Fargo High School. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy. SENIOR ALEX SLEETER gets ready to pass the ball to his team mates during a basketball game at West Fargo High School. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy.



to bottom: MATH TEACHER CORY LOVELESS reads out cards to students playing the winter snowball dance. Along with the snowball dance, students also played blackjack and poker. Photo by Logan Ahern. POKER TEACHER BECA LIVERMONT reads out cards to students playing the winter snowball dance. Along with the snowball dance, students also played blackjack and poker. Photo by Logan Ahern. POKER TEACHER BECA LIVERMONT reads out cards to students playing the winter snowball dance. Along with the snowball dance, students also played blackjack and poker. Photo by Logan Ahern.



## Eighth Grade Transition Day



"I thought it was pretty cool and very fun, I'm glad I got to see all the high schoolers being nice and helpful." -Abyy Donaraki, 8th grade

"I thought it was good. Since there were a lot of people in the building, I thought it was good that not everyone was in the same place at the same time." -Molly Dudley, 8th grade

"I think it prepares them well about what high school will be like. It gave them a great opportunity to experience the high school life and it allows them to become less anxious about their first day of school. I think it allows them to transition easier and find activities and clubs they may be interested in." -Shalini Sakhamuri, 12th grade



EIGHTH GRADERS LINE UP TO COME INTO WEST FARGO HIGH FOR THE TRANSITION DAY. THE ENTIRE EIGHTH GRADE CLASS FROM CHENEY MIDDLE SCHOOL CAME FOR TRANSITION DAY. PHOTO BY LOGAN AHERN. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN JROTC AND SOURCE OF STRENGTH HAVE THEIR TABLES SET-UP TO TALK TO EIGHTH GRADERS WALKING THROUGH THE GYM. TO SOMETHING MAY HAVE BEEN OVERWHELMING, BUT WAS HELPFUL FOR THOSE WHO WILL BE GOING INTO HIGH SCHOOL SOON. PHOTO BY LOGAN AHERN. STUDENTS IN CROSS COUNTRY TALK TO A GROUP OF EIGHTH GRADERS ABOUT JOINING THE TEAM. THE TRANSITION DAY TURN OUT TO BE A SUCCESS. PHOTO BY LOGAN AHERN.

# Graduating Early

Most students will start their second semester for their high school year on January 19th, but senior Haley Madsen will be graduating early and starting college full time at North Dakota State University (NDSU) to get a head start on adulthood.

"The sooner that I can start college, the sooner I can get out and start my life to experience the real world," Madsen said. "I want to be able to be one step ahead and know what to expect before anyone else does."

Madsen made the decision to graduate early last spring after the counselors warned her that she would not be able to participate in the typical high school activities that seniors do. To be able to graduate, Madsen had to talk both Government and Economics in one semester and take a yearlong English course as well.

"Everything is very hectic because I am also working full time along with everything else," Madsen said. "Balancing everything is difficult, but I know what my goal is and I am achieving it."

The North Dakota Center for Distance Education (NDCDE) offers semester courses online for \$100, which is where Madsen attended. Madsen's friend senior Curtis Miller has seen a change in her for the better because of everything she has went through.

"She [Haley] knows how to accomplish what she needs to get done before a deadline," Miller said. "One thing I have learned from her journey is that no matter how stressful things get, as long as you put your mind to it, you can do anything."

To make sure that she could accomplish everything on time, Madsen set strict goals for herself to stay on task.

"I have to keep a positive mindset to know how to achieve my goal," Madsen said. "I'm testing my own abilities on what I can do."

After seeing everything that Madsen has accomplished, senior Taylor Lemieux was rather inspired.

"I think Haley made a great decision getting a head start on life," Lemieux said. "I think she really has grown from it and developed the mindset that she needs to work hard and to achieve her goals."

While Madsen continually focuses on the goals ahead of her, she often feels nostalgic.

"It is hard to look at everyone that I have been in school with for years and know that they will still have be having fun and I will be somewhere else," Madsen said. "It will be sad. I am missing out on my last few months with them, but I also have to do what is best for me."

Madsen will start at NDSU on Jan. 12th with a major in childhood education in hopes to become a third grade teacher and eventually receive her Masters Degree.

"This journey has helped me realize what I really want and it has helped me manage my time a lot better," Madsen said. "It is sad watching your high school slip away before your eyes, but it's nice to welcome a new chapter in to your life."

Logan Ahern

ABOVE: SENIOR HALEY MADSEN GIVES HER LAST SPEECH OF THE YEAR IN FUNDAMENTALS OF PUBLIC SPEAKING. PHOTO BY LOGAN AHERN

## Pancake Facts:

Number of pancakes served: 750

Students who ate: 375

Time: 2 hours of planning, 3 hours to prepare

Number of people to set-up; community of 6-8 people, plus teacher volunteers

Big turn-out, huge success. There is currently a plan to do pancakes again.



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: MATH TEACHER CORY LOVELESS AND PHYSICS TEACHER MICHAILE STRAND HELP IN SETTING UP THE PANCAKE DAY. THERE WERE MANY OTHER VOLUNTEERS AND TEACHERS WHO HELPED OUT IN SETTING UP THE PANCAKE DAY. PHOTO BY HOLLY BELINSKEY. STUDENTS SIT AT THE LUNCHROOM EATING PANCAKES THAT WERE MADE FOR EVERYONE. THE PANCAKES TURNED OUT TO BE A HUGE SUCCESS AND MADE THE WHOLE LUNCHROOM BECOME FULL OF STUDENTS. PHOTO BY HOLLY BELINSKEY.

## Student Reaction:

"The pancakes tasted alright, but the photo booth was fun." -Alyson Mattsfield, 10

"I thought it was a good way to get together and the photo booth was a great way to express packer spirit." -Yea Gbortu, 10

"I thought it was nice for people that wanted a nice breakfast before finals to ensure people got the best grades possible!" -Zach Larson, 12

# King's Cake

Beginning the new semester with a new tradition, French Club celebrated Epiphany to the high school. Epiphany originates from France and is celebrated every year on Jan. 6th. This celebration is a way to celebrate the three kings in the Nativity scene. "Epiphany is a big family day in France, traditionally and religiously," said French teacher and French Club advisor Suzanne Thibert.

Not only is Epiphany a family gathering, but it is also a time of year where the Three King's Cake is made.

The cake is to celebrate the three kings, but also for family members and friends to enjoy a snack together. Thibert goes into detail about what is inside the cake.

"Inside of the cake started out as a bean and now throughout the years it can be anything like a porcelain figurine. Whoever bites that piece with the figurine, that person gets to be king or queen for the day".

The students decided they wanted to place a game piece in the cake. The lucky student that bit into the game piece was sophomore Alka Singh. Her reward for getting the game piece was to be able to be queen for the day.

Alka is not originally in French, but when she heard French

Club was making a King's Cake she thought she would join and help. Her decision was based off of her hometown.

"So I actually used to live in New Orleans and in Mardi Gras we always had King Cake, so I was really excited when I heard that French Club was making King Cake," Singh said.

The French Club students also enjoyed eating the cake, but most of all gathering together to make the cake. Senior Mia Schuster explains how much it meant to make the Three King's Cake and to keep the tradition going.

"I feel like making the King's Cake was a great way for French Club to get together and devolve more into the French Culture," Schuster said. "It was a great learning experience and I definitely think it would be great if French Club continued celebrating Epiphany. Any way to immerse ourselves in the culture is fantastic. Also everyone seemed to be having a great time."

Epiphany is important to many people in France and to the members of the French Club. French Club will continue to celebrate this holiday to make it a memorable tradition that started in 2015.

Holly Belinsky

Above: French teacher Suzanne Thibert is topping the Three King's Cake off with a little powder sugar for Epiphany celebration in French Club. Photo by Ashley Dew



Junior Christian Prui is jumping to shoot the ball. The Varsity Boys Basketball team won against Devils Lake. Photo by Karly Randash. Senior Ashu Iso is dribbling the ball. The team won 80-42 against Devils Lake. Photo by Karly Randash. Junior Elizabeth Knudsen is dribbling the ball. The girls varsity team played against Devils Lake and. Photo by Holly Belinsky. Junior Benjamin Davis is passing the puck to a teammate in a game against Devils Lake. The Varsity Boys Hockey Team played against Devils Lake. Photo by Breana Orlando. Junior Shelby Larsen is looking for a teammate to throw the ball to. The girls varsity team played against Devils Lake. Photo by Holly Belinsky. Senior Jacob Hoy is passing the puck to a teammate. The boys varsity team played against Devils Lake. Photo by Breana Orlando.



Juniors Myah Guwinn, Kristin Aswege, and Kelsey Donaroli are discussing plans for 2015 Prom. The prom committee is made up of juniors. Photo by Sabrina Leler. Juniors Amanda Bausch and Kelsey Corveau are looking through books to decide how to decorate the dance for Prom. They are in the dance section of the prom committee. Photo by Sabrina Leler. Junior Andrew Vetter and sophomore Mariah Danzy are working on the power source for their robot. They are members of the FIRST Robotics team. Photo by Sierra Balster. Juniors Emily Bourassa and Kaley Donaroli are looking through Prom look books. They are on Prom Committee. Photo by Sabrina Leler. Senior Brady Durbin and Dustin Steadman are using a drill press to make holes in a part for the robot. They are members of the FIRST Robotics team. Photo by Sierra Balster.

**State Dance**

AWARDS:  
Jazz: 1st  
Kick: 1st  
POM: 2nd

The West Fargo Varsity Packerettes pose with their trophies that they won in the state dance competition. The State Dance Competition was held in Jamestown, ND. Photo submitted by Lindsey Richard.



The Packerettes are competing their jazz routine at state. They received first for this routine. Photo submitted by Brielle Pulcinski. The Packerettes are competing their kick routine at state. They received first place for this routine. Photo submitted by Brielle Pulcinski. The Packerettes are competing their hick routine. They received first place for this routine at state. Photo submitted by Brielle Pulcinski.

## Steps to Prepare for a Debate

Photos by Akrit Saxena



1. The students research the topic they were given.



2. The students sort the research on the top into pros and cons.



3. The students write out their speech.



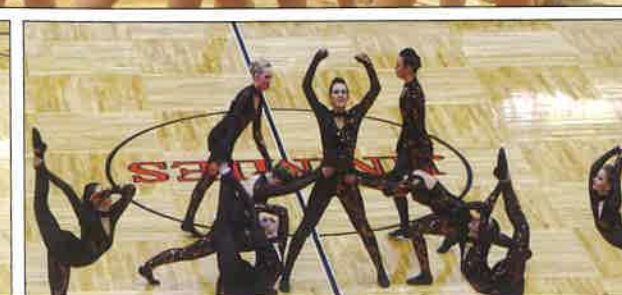
4. The students rehearse their speech.



5. The students have mock debates with one another.

6. The students do any additional research that needs to be done.

7. The students talk with the teacher and peer edit their speeches.

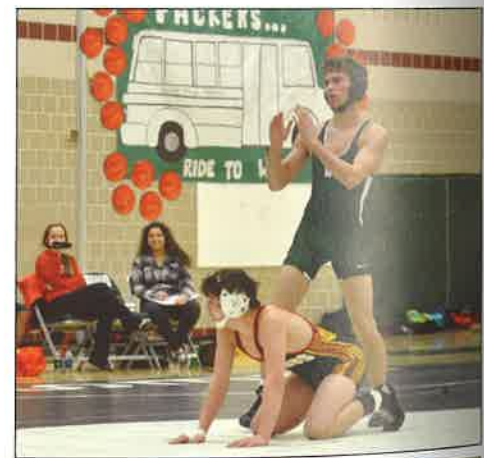
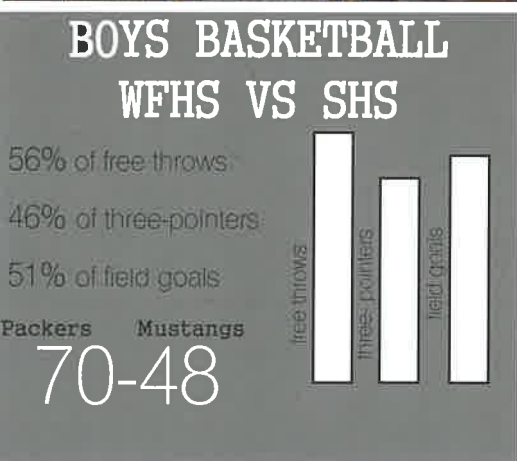




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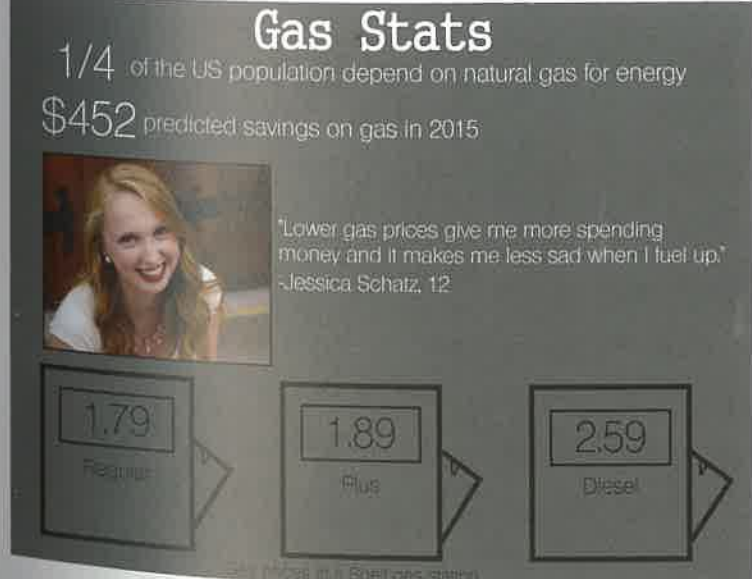
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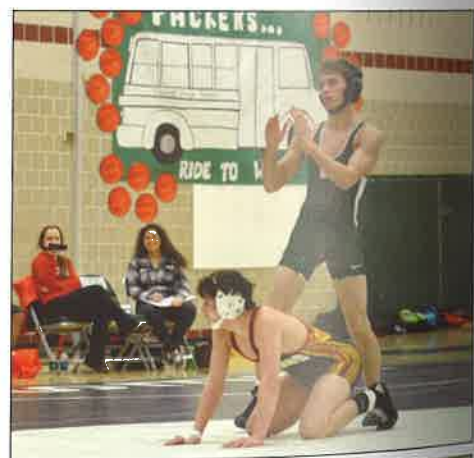
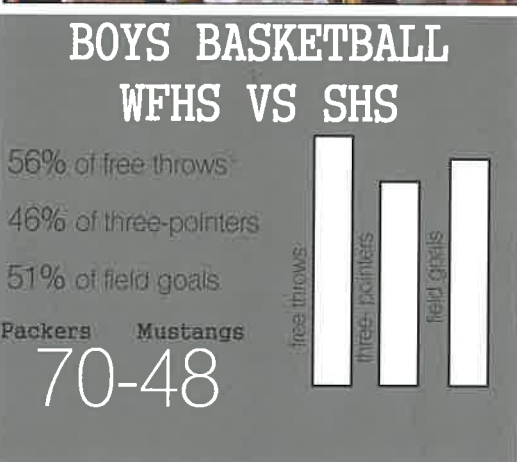
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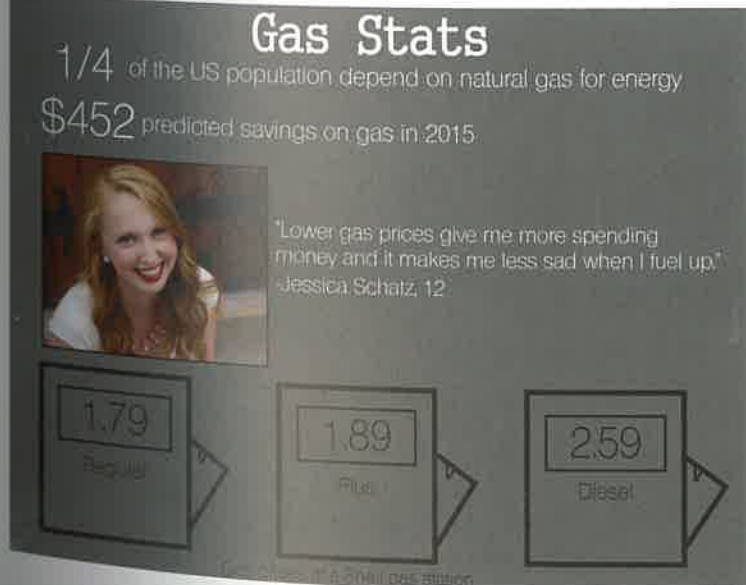
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Senior **Shawn Lynch** dribbles the ball on the offensive against Grand Forks players. Varsity girls had an easy win against Grand Forks Central Knights with a score of 80-58 on Friday, Feb. 6th. Photo by Holly Belinsky. Freshman **Aspen Berger** heads towards Biemark's goal. The girls hockey team won against Biemark High School on Feb. 6th. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy. Freshman **Hunter Spielvogel** makes a quick turn to take the puck from defensive players. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy. Senior **Cately Nausoy** blocks a defensive Davies player, taking the ball and in. Varsity girls had a close call in their game against Fargo Davies, winning by two points with a score of 1-0 on Tuesday, Feb. 3rd. Photo by Kaylee Stokka. Senior **Ben Holland** goes for a lay up on Tuesday's game against Fargo Davies. The theme for the student section was opposite gender, supporting our team through their own gender. Photo by Kaylee Stokka.



Senior **Kurtin Burke** and sophomore **Drew Bakke**, members of the Art Club, watch as Sophomore **Tristen Hayes** Chase selects through her cards. Art Club students gathered on Thursday, Feb. 5th, to play Apples-to-Apples as a group. Photo by Sabrina Leler. Sophomore **Drew Dick** and senior **Taylor Dahl**, smiling, enjoy the time spent by Art Club and enjoying the drinks and chips. Photo by Sabrina Leler. Sophomores **Alexis Hancock**, sophomore **Clayton Meyer**, **Devin Dick**, and senior **Taylor Dahl** each hold their own hands of Apples-to-Apples cards, waiting for their turn to play.



# Kaleidoscope Metaphors

David Flowers has been the superintendent of the West Fargo school district for five years and won superintendent of the year in 2013 for his outstanding work as a leader and supervisor. Flowers is involved in the West Fargo schools, but has an intriguing life outside his work as well. Flowers enjoys doing numerous hobbies outside of life at the school district.

Woodworking has been a part of Flowers' life for over six years. His interest in woodworking sparked during a community woodworking class taught by West Fargo High's Building Trades teacher Bob Bjornson and he has been practicing it ever since.

Flowers claims the woods class was the most expensive class he ever took because it was the moment he realized his passion for woodworking and helped him pursue the hobby, which requires many expensive tools. Flowers said he has been fascinated with kaleidoscopes since he was a kid so once he put his love for kaleidoscopes with his love for woodworking, everything fell into place.

"Woodworking is different from everyday life," Flowers said, "It's an outlet and an escape for me, it helps get my mind off of the stress, in addition to the feeling that I've produced something that other people enjoy."

Flowers uses the messages and ideas found through kaleidoscopes to represent important objectives within his work. He said kaleidoscopes exhibit numerous aspirations that Flowers has for himself, his staff and the students of West Fargo High including, growth, acceptance and change.

"I use them as a metaphor for leadership and strategic planning," Flowers said, "The idea is you can virtually create any image you want within a kaleidoscope."

The metaphors held in a kaleidoscope have long been a part of

Flowers and the ways he conducts himself and his work. Creating a kaleidoscope begins with a blueprint and then transforms into a craft consisting of patience and creativity.

"The pieces in the object chamber are very diverse, all different colors, shapes and sizes but when you design the system well, those all go together to produce wonderful results and a beautiful image," Flowers said. "I think that's part of what we do as educators: take all kids from all different backgrounds and we help them become more than they ever dreamed they could be."

Flowers recently demonstrated his woodworking abilities to a Woods II class. This was the first time Flowers showcased his woodworking abilities to the public.

"It was really cool watching Doctor Flowers make the kaleidoscopes because I've never seen someone make one before," senior Alex Burton said.

The Woods II classes focus on making their own projects and Woods teacher Tim Broeren said it was important for students to see that woodworking is a great skill to have and can be used for a life-long hobby or career.

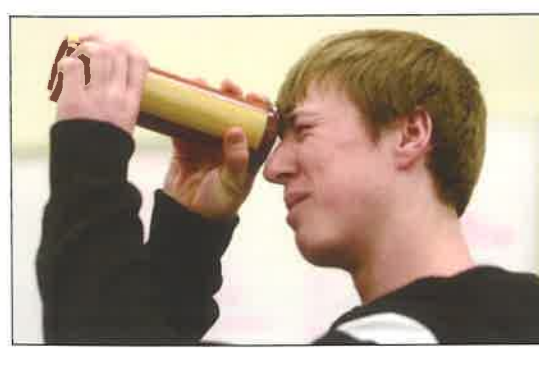
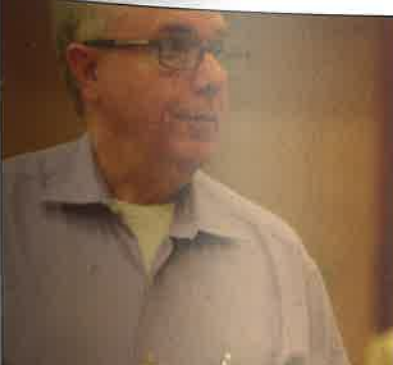
"I try to coach it from both sides," Broeren added. "I want students to realize it can be fun and relaxing but also that it can have career opportunities if its one of those things that you really enjoy."

Flowers and Broeren said woodworking is a hobby that teaches so many valuable lessons, which can be useful for students as well.

"Sometimes you just gotta go in the garage and spend some time working on something," Broeren said.

Morgan Heley

Superintendent David Flowers demonstrates different methods of woodworking to Woods I and Woods II classes. Students were taught how woodworking can be a "metaphor" for different skills such as strategic planning and leadership. Photo by Morgan Heley



Superintendent Dr. David Flowers demonstrates to Woods II classes on the craftsmanship of making a kaleidoscope and how it's an art. Students in woods classes have been taught how to make various things such as chairs or jewelry boxes. Photo by Morgan Heley. Senior **Tristen Hayes** looks through one of the hand-made kaleidoscopes that Flowers made in his free time. Students such as **Wade** were each shown how this is not only a hobby, but a great career opportunity for different skills. Photo by Morgan Heley. The kaleidoscope Flowers made was not only used with precision, but with enjoyment. Flowers' has been making items out of wood for

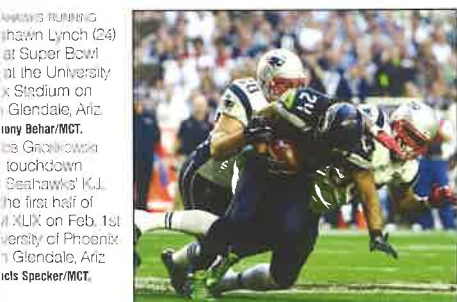
## Super Bowl Craze

Wilson would've handed it to Lynch to walk in. Even though the Seahawks didn't win the Super Bowl, [I] was still thankful that they actually made it that far." -Shania Paulson, 10



the most important play of the game. Also, the Seahawks pulled it up by [throwing] the ball at the one yard line. You always know you're that close. Also, for a rookie to make that interception is so cool." -Norman Nelson, 11

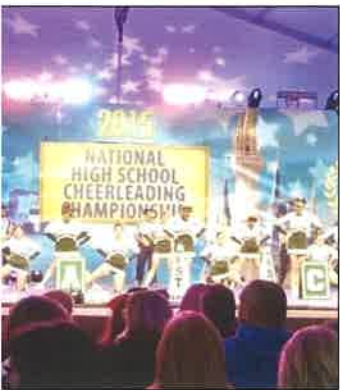
really excited [and] I was jumping up and down and screaming seconds before, I thought the Patriots had lost the game, but my favorite team pulled through and Malcolm Butler made great play. Let's just say that minute was a crazy mix of emotions for me." -Tristen Hayes, 12



Running back **Shawn Lynch** (24) runs with the ball at Super Bowl XLIX at the University of Phoenix Stadium in Glendale, Arizona. Photo by Tony Behar/MCT. The Green Bay Packers' **Aaron Rodgers** (12) scores a touchdown during the game. Photo by Tony Behar/MCT. The first half of Super Bowl XLIX on Feb. 1st at the University of Phoenix Stadium in Glendale, Arizona. Photo by Tony Behar/MCT.



Being carried by the beast, junior Randall Taylor, Beauty, senior Natalie Shea, realizes that she loves him. The play "Beauty and the Beast" was the first play to be collaborated between West Fargo and Sheyenne. Photo by Logan Ahern. Awards cutter makeup senior Evan Hagar prepares to play the character Lumiere. In total, the actors prepared for three hours before the show. Photo by Logan Ahern. Singing a song Beauty, Shea, tells out the final note. The cast sang six songs including the well known "Be Our Guest." Photo by Logan Ahern. Trucks to Belle, Mrs. Potts, senior Mia Schuster, explains to her the curse the people in the house were put under. Along with her character was her son who was turned into a little tea cup. Photo by Logan Ahern.



## Robotics Night



Who: The Robotics Club  
 What: A parent preview night  
 When: Two weeks before competition  
 Where: In the classroom  
 Why: For parents to see what students have been doing

## FCCLA Week

**FCCLA's "Scavenger Hunt"**  
**Directions:** Write in the answer to all of the questions, find the answers by asking a FCCLA member or doing a web search ([www.fccla.org](http://www.fccla.org) or [www2.edutech.nodak.edu/fccla](http://www2.edutech.nodak.edu/fccla)). Turn in the completed form to the FCCLA display table on Thursday, February 12th, 2015 for a prize and a chance to win 1 of 6 Grand Prizes on Friday. Happy Hunting!

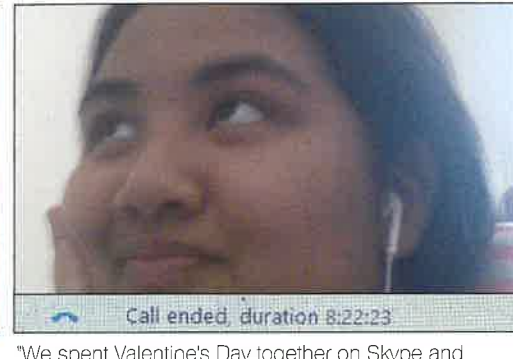
- What does the acronym FCCLA stand for?  
 F - Family  
 C - Career  
 C - Community  
 L - Leaders  
 A - America
- What year was FCCLA established?

Who: Family Career Community Leaders of America  
 What: A scavenger hunt for anyone to participate  
 When: During the entire week  
 Where: Answers could be found by talking to members  
 Why: To promote the organization and learn more

## Valentine's Day



"When I pulled into the driveway I didn't know what to expect right away. I was so surprised and excited I didn't really know how to react at first. It made it more special that Adam was standing there with flowers."  
 -Amanda Belniskey, 11



"We spent Valentine's Day together on Skype and it was one of the best nights of my life. It just really helped us get to know each other better since we can't just spend the night at each other's house and see each other everyday."  
 -Bryanna Sutton, 12



"Although Norman Nelson missed the shot, I still said yes"  
 -Andrea Milbrath, 12



# Wooden Roses for Tetnus

For the last three years, Key Club sold wooden flowers. The flowers have been sold for a different worldwide disease or issue each year.

Key Club is part of the Kiwanis family, which consists of different branches of clubs reaching out to help others. Key Club adviser Christina Walker likes the continuation of the Kiwanis family.

"Kiwanis has different clubs starting at every level, starting at the elementary, middle school, high school, college and even adults," she said.

This year's fundraiser was held for Neonatal Tetanus, to help women get shots to prevent the spread of Tetanus. Walker was pleased with the impact the funds will have on helping women receive shots.

"The whole Kiwanis family is looking to raise funds to be able to give shots to women for Neonatal Tetanus because if one person receives the shot, it gets passed on from generation to generation," she said.

Each shot costs about one dollar, and \$110 million dollars is needed to get a shot for every woman. West Fargo Key Club raised more than \$300, meaning they provided shots for about 300 women.

Since students have shown significant interest in the wooden flowers, Key Club has continued to sell them selling just over the amount they did last year.

Senior Logan Helm thinks the flowers work well as a part of a fundraiser during the week of Valentine's Day.

"Wooden flowers are just part of the things that go side-by-side with Valentine's Day and they last longer," Helm said.

Key Club is part of the Bronze Award Club in the Kiwanis family. This means that each person from Key Club has raised more than \$10.

"We have received a thank you card and we have received the bronze award distinction of our school," she said. "It is one of our best fundraisers for the year that we do."

There were around six to eight people from Key Club who volunteered to help sell the flowers for fundraising.

"Volunteering is a good way to try to get out and do something or research to change someone's life who is in need of help," Helm said.

Sierra Balster

Above: Available to purchase, wooden roses sit on display. The Key Club sold wooden roses the week of Valentine's Day to raise money for neonatal tetanus. Photo by Sierra Balster.



# Fight for Free Speech

Numerous high school and college student journalists filled a room at the capitol in Bismarck, North Dakota on Tuesday Feb. 17th. They were not to report on the Legislature, but to show their tremendous support for a bill that would offer a greater fortification for student mass media. In fact, journalism students from West Fargo High School were some of those who were in attendance and out of those 18, 2 of them testified for the North Dakota House Education Committee.

"As a student journalist we want nothing more than to be treated professionally but if we are censored it becomes harder to report the news that need to be told, thus discouraging our duties as reporters," senior journalism student Emily Chadwick said in her testimony for the North Dakota House Education Committee.

"Student journalists are being repressed in their creativity because of first amendment rights being taken away from them by their school. I

even heard stories of numerous students stories being rejected from their publications only because their administration believed it would reflect badly on themselves," senior and Assistant Editor for the Packer newspaper Logan Ahern said in his testimony for the North Dakota House Education Committee.

House Bill 1471 or The John Wall New Voices Act was passed in the Committee 11 to 2 and where it then went to the House of North Dakota where it was passed 92-0. It then began its journey to the Senate where many are awaiting its outcome. To Logan Ahern, Emily Chadwick, and every journalism student in North Dakota this bill is way more than just a fight for free speech, it is a fight to keep their "free" speech, free.

Annie Mattem

Above: Some of the journalism students gather together for a group photo at the North Dakota House Education Committee. Photo by Jeremy Murphy.



From left to right: Senior Packapapas and their dads make an entrance in the West Fargo High School gymnasium during halftime of the varsity boys basketball game. Their performance is considered the Packapapa dance. Photo by Karly Randash. Senior Kelsey Funder and her dad perform a partner lift in the Packapapa performance. This year concludes her father's dancing career as a Packapapa. Photo by Karly Randash. Junior Stephanie Carter and her dad show off their moves for the crowd. The Packapapas attended three practices for an hour before their performance. Photo by Karly Randash.



From left to right: Mentor from John Deere, Lee Johnson, makes some last adjustments before the robot gets shipped for competition. The competition took place in Duluth, MN. Photo by Karly Randash. Seniors Marcus Wohl and Christa Adamson work together to dissect a cat in anatomy. This dissection took roughly two months to complete. Photo by Karly Randash. The robotics team had named their robot The Herd to represent West Fargo. The team won the competition in Duluth, MN and moved on to nationals in St. Louis, MO. Photo by Karly Randash. Seniors Benjamin Prochownik and Almir Elic played against the English teachers, Beatrice Hill and Mindy Moon, in the badminton tournament. Photo by Sierra Balster. Seniors Leyla Bayer and Aracely Rodriguez look at the arms of the cat for different muscles. The cats were donated by animal pounds around the Alexandria, MN area. Photo by Karly Randash.



From left to right: The Little Packer cheerleaders line up in the gymnasium to perform during the varsity girls basketball game. They performed a cheer, a dance, and a sideline skit to them by their cheer team. Photo by Elizabeth Ralchinski. Senior Ryan Rober with senior Brendan Funder goes for the puck during the match at the arena. The West Fargo Varsity Boys won 2-1 against Redwood. Photo by Sierra Balster. Senior Mason Funder goes for the puck during the match at the arena. The West Fargo Varsity Boys won 2-1 against Redwood. Photo by Logan Ahern. Senior Mason Funder goes for the puck during the match at the arena. The West Fargo Varsity Boys won 2-1 against Redwood. Photo by Kaylee Stokka.



Members of the varsity sports line up across the gymnasium for recognition. Senior team captain gave a message of the day, expressing gratitude for the support. Photo by Breanna Orlando.

The packapapa dance performance was performed during the pep rally. They performed after the team captains were given their recognition. Photo by Breanna Orlando.

English teachers, Mrs. Cossette and Mitchell Smette participated in the hungry hungry hippos activity. They won against the sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Photo by Breanna Orlando.

The varsity Packapapa dance performance was performed during the pep rally. This routine was followed by the hungry hungry hippos activity. Photo by Breanna Orlando.

For one of the last events of the pep rally, volunteered students gathered to participate in the dance off. Senior Tylan Hayes was one of the seniors that did not participate. Photo by Breanna Orlando.



# From Marching to Dancing

West Fargo's JROTC program hosted their annual military ball at a newly constructed hotel, the Cambria on February 28, 2015. It was the first year that the ball was hosted here. Preparations for the ball started months before the actual event.

Senior Erica Schmid played a role in planning the event. "We had meetings every Friday after Christmas," Schmid said, "we figured out our theme, then we did decorations based off of that theme."

JROTC is an organization that educates high school students on leadership roles and areas of citizenship. The primary goal of JROTC is to motivate young people to be better American citizens. The military ball has been a tradition in the program since it started according to Schmid.

After the banquet, seniors Jacey French and Tyler Lajeunesse were crowned the king and queen of the JROTC court. French was presented with a tiara and Lajeunesse was presented with a sword. "Being crowned queen was really great," French said. "I had been a princess all three years leading up to it so being queen my

senior year was just a fun way to celebrate my last military ball." "It feels nice knowing that my fellow JROTC staff members think so highly of me," Lajeunesse said.

Following the banquet and coronation of the court was a dance. Every meeting leading up to the event helped plan the event. "I think what made our event successful was the participation of our JROTC staff members and those who showed up early to help set up the decorations," Lajeunesse said. "We do all the planning, call the right people, and write out the order of events."

The military ball is planned by members and executed by members. The military ball provides students the opportunity to interact each other in a different environment aside from in school. "The military ball is a chance for all cadets to come together," French said. "The best part is the informal portion where you can have fun with all the people in JROTC outside of class."

Ashley Dew

Above: THE MEMBERS OF THE JROTC COURT stand before the banquet before the king and queen are crowned. Photo by Ashley Dew.



From left to right: Senior Lajeunesse and Jacey French are crowned king and queen of the court. Senior Erica Schmid presents them. Photo by Ashley Dew.



## What color is the dress?

The dress was originally posted on tumblr.com by two friends who started it all. The dress that caused huge controversy over social media can scientifically be explained why people see the dress differently. Some see blue and black while others see white and gold. It all depends on what the surrounding light conditions are. This can also be described by a filtering process of your brain. Information retrieved from ABC News Online.

Senior Caley Polvedt first saw the dress, on Instagram, as black and blue. She then saw the dress as white and gold after seeing it on Twitter.



From left to right: Senior Ben Hollum shoots the ball to score for the varsity boys basketball team. Senior Brady Heister agonizingly waits for the ball to go in that basket for the Packers to score another point. Photo by Erin Dalgaard. Alexis Johnson, eighth grade, cheers for the varsity boys basketball team playing against the Hi-Liners. The Packers won with a score of 90 to 56 against the Hi-Liners. Photo by Erin Dalgaard. Senior Mevin Coups, jumps to score against the Hi-Liners. Joe Pistorius stands on the side of the court ready to retrieve the ball if taken by the opposing team. Photo by Erin Dalgaard.



From left to right: Snow sculptures from different nations were presented at the Festival du Voyageur. There were many different snow sculptures that represented different cultures at the Festival, which is held in the French quarters of Winnipeg. Submitted Photo. Students from West Fargo and Shyanne have lunch at an authentic French train car. The delectable dessert can be related to a crêpe puff in the United States. Submitted Photo. A croque monsieur, also known as a ham sandwich, is served with fries and speared with a pickle. This was also served on the French train car where students got waited on in French. Submitted Photo. Students attending the Winnipeg trip also were able to see a french concert. West Fargo and Shyanne students smile wide for a picture while waiting for the concert to begin. Submitted Photo.

## What does it mean to be a Packer?



Do you think the students and staff at WFHS show enough Packer Pride?

Senior Ryan Sumers said, "Yes, especially the teachers, because anytime we have a theme week or teacher theme week, they go all out with their outfits."



In what ways do you show Packer Pride?

"I show Packer Pride by cheering [students] on at every event I can go to," said junior James Beaty.



What can students do to show more Packer Pride?

"[They can] get involved in activities. I think if you are involved in your school, you have a reason to be excited about your activities and in turn should support other students in those activities. We all need to be involved and encourage each other to be successful," said Rick Wilson, math teacher.



From left to right: Senior Alexys Lewis, observes the fatty substance that is found in blood. Lewis is at the vet hospital with both the dual-credit and regular anatomy classes who has the option of going on the cadaver trip. Photo by Breana Orlando. Senior Kaley Chantrela, is also observing the lung of the female body that was donated, for the highschoolers to study, at the Vet hospital. The cadaver trip has been an opportunity that has been going on for 8 years, and counting. Photo by Breana Orlando. Senior Breana Orlando, is also observing the lung of the female body. The cadaver trip helps expose students to an actual human body and relate it to their own. Photo by Breana Orlando.



# Robotics attends Nationals

November student of the month, junior Grace Bailey has been an member of the school's Robotics Club. This year will mark her consecutive year participating. She intends to use the skills she has learned through robotics and the technological studies she participated throughout her years to pursue a career in engineering mechanics. "I found out a lot more about the technology and engineering side of robotics," Bailey said. "I did not really know much about it but now I've learned different types of engineering. It really opens your mind to what you can do as a future career."

Robotics competitions are among the largest competitions the high school robotics team has participated in. The team must participate in two competitions before they can compete in a national competition. Each competition attracts about six thousand teams from around the world. "I really like going to the competitions because it is so much fun and you get to meet so many other people from around the country," Bailey said.

Between each competition the teams are given a six week work period where they work on the required mechanics. Within the six week building period, the teams must design, build, market and test the robot. In the beginning of January we find out the task challenge for the year and then we have six weeks to design and build it," Bailey said. "We spend the first two to three weeks coming up with ideas and use software to design. From there we test it and the final product is what we bring to the competitions."

The work in robotics is both individually and team oriented and creates various subcommittees which help the groups overall performance. "During the build season, when it gets really busy, we do group meetings to catch everyone up on what everyone is working

on because not everyone is working on the robot," Bailey said. "I am on the strategy team, which figures out how we are going to talk with other teammates and I am also on the build and design team."

Although the team divides into various groups, the work within the build period is based on the team's overall efforts.

Each year the requirements of the robots change which challenges each team to change the functions of their robots periodically. Competitions are sanctioned around the ability of the machines to complete certain requirements such as how far a ball can be thrown, how quickly the robot can take a sharp turn or the speed of the machine's functions overall.

Throughout the strenuous process, the team recognizes Bailey as one of the most suitable leaders. Teammate and senior Cole Amundson states that it came to the team as a shock that a young student came forth to become a team leader.

"Last year she was a sophomore and it was interesting because normally the traditional role of the leader is taken up by a junior or senior," Amundson stated. "She was one of the few people to actually take up the role and she fit the role the best."

Robotics coach Bradley Mackowick believes that Bailey proved her commitment and dedication to the team last year.

"She takes a lot of pride in our team and does whatever she can to help us be successful," Mackowick said. "Last season she really stepped up for us as a coach and yelled at the refs after an unfair call. Most of the time I would not encourage that, but it really showed how much she cared about our team."

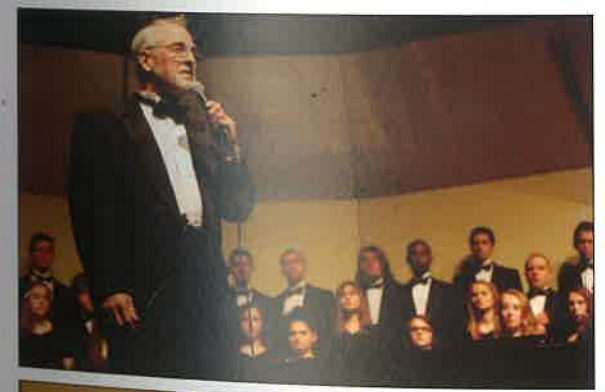
Irene Astran

Above: The Robotics Team pose for a photo after they took first place at the 2015 Lake Superior Regional competition in Duluth. Photo submitted by Bailey Anenson.

ght. Robotics members "The robot was able to stack up to six totes on a raised platform, then received bonus points for pool needles into a designated area." Photo submitted by Bailey Anenson.



From left to right: Senior Benjamin Houha tries to make a basket. Boys varsity basketball played against the Sheyenne Mustangs and won 64-50. Photo by Breana Orlando. Sophomore Azealy Moroy goes in for a layup. The girls varsity played against Fargo South. The girls won 66-54. Photo by Breana Orlando. Senior Cassidy Nelson passes to sophomore, Azealy Moton. Photo by Breana Orlando. Junior Elizabeth Krauser goes in to make a shot while a Fargo South player tries blocking her. Photo by Breana Orlando. Senior Melvin Colvin reaches farther than a Sheyenne Mustang player for the jump ball. A jump ball is used at the beginning of a game to start or resume a basketball game. It is also used if there are two or more different calls from referees. Photo by Breana Orlando.



From left to right: Choir director Jeffrey Mueller spoke at the beginning of "The Evening of Classical Music" the choir presented in the theater. Mueller described each group and what they were going to sing. The three groups of choir performers were the Chamber Choir, Concert Choir, and Madrigal Singers. Photo by Akriti Saxena. Concert choir members sing during the choir concert. One of the songs, "Oblada," was a hit with the audience. The song was a story told through a catchy tune. Photo by Akriti Saxena. Junior Revell Taylor and seniors Evan Hager, Madison Miller, and Mia Schuster, sing solos during the concert choir's songs. They each sang parts of the song Agneau de Dieu. Photo by Akriti Saxena. The Concert Choir sings a Beatles song at the concert. The song was accompanied by the Concert Choir making sounds with the finger moving from side to side in their mouth. Photo by Akriti Saxena.

to right: LISTENING TO THEIR COACHES, the seniors around them to figure out what play to run next. They were playing against Davies for three points. Photo by Breana Orlando.

to right: COLLINS thinks about what move he's going to make next. Collins had the crowd cheering for the Packers. Photo by Breana Orlando.

to right: BRADY HEIGLEN takes his free throw. He scored 28 points all together this year. Photo by Breana Orlando.

to right: SENIOR JEWELIA WENZ goes around his opponent and scores 10 points for his team. The Packers scored 61 points in this game. Photo by Breana Orlando.

to right: SENIORS cheer along as the varsity cheerleaders lead them in a crowd cheer. The cheerleaders were doing what was called "the cheer", which is the student section's cheer. Photo by Breana Orlando.

to right: JUNIOR CREDITON is looking for an open teammate to pass the ball. The ending score was 70-61 and the Packers won. Photo by Breana Orlando.



## State Basketball Stats

### Boys Varsity

West Fargo Packers vs Minot High Lost 70-61  
 West Fargo Packers vs TMCHS (Bel) Won 62-55  
 West Fargo Packers vs Jamestown Won 62-60



### Girls Varsity

West Fargo Packers vs Century Lost 66-49  
 West Fargo Packers vs Fargo Davies Won 61-50  
 West Fargo Packers vs Bismarck Won 68-60

to right: SENIOR JEWELIA WENZ dribbles the ball around her opponent. She had the crowd cheering for her. Photo by Holly Bellinsky.

to right: SENIOR AUSTIN ELIOT looks for a teammate to pass the ball to. He scored 37 points this season. Photo by Holly Bellinsky.

to right: SENIOR AUSTIN ELIOT starts the game. He scored 37 points this season. Photo by Holly Bellinsky.

to right: SENIOR AUSTIN ELIOT starts the game. He scored 37 points this season. Photo by Holly Bellinsky.



# Limke retires as head coach

After 14 years of coaching boys basketball, Greg Limke decided to step down from his head coach position.

"It was something that I contemplated for a while, but I think it was around the time that school started this year," Limke said. "I made the decision that I would pursue some other avenues."

Limke does not consider his decision a retirement and noted that the word retirement sounds unusual in his situation.

"It seems weird to say the word retiring because I don't feel like I'm old enough to be retiring from anything yet," Limke said. "I've got a lot more years to work, goals I want to achieve and things I want to do."

Senior Ben Holland said the team had an understanding with their coach's decision to take a break.

"He told us that he only has one chance to be a father," Holland said. "He wants to be at more of his children's activities."

Limke spoke with his players in order to inform them about his decision and also felt like there was an understanding between them.

"I spoke to the team about it shortly after Christmas and explained to them that I wanted to move on to some other things, but it really wasn't about them," Limke said. "We have some excellent young men coming back so I am going to miss the heck out of those guys, but I just felt it was time to try something else."

Senior Melvin Collins III said Limke's coaching methods have truly benefited him as a player.

"Limke makes sure you're giving your best effort all the time," Collins said. "If you don't give him your best effort he will let you know and demand it from you. It makes me a way better player and prepares me for tough games."

Collins thinks the best advice he received from Limke allowed him to gain the confidence he needed to excel further in basketball.

"One thing Limke did to better me as a player was giving me a tremendous amount of confidence," Collins said. "He would tell

me the only person that is going to stop Melvin Collins III is Melvin Collins III, and that got me going and gave me confidence that I could do big things and be great."

Limke extends his advice to the next coach who will lead the team in his place. The position will soon be posted for possible applicants.

"They should be excited about the future," Limke said. "[There is] an amazing group of young men coming along here that I'm going to miss having the opportunity to work with on a daily basis. The potential is here to do some really good things and I think to know that they are going to have a group of fighters there that are going to come every day ready to do their best."

After Limke's decision was finalized, he said he began to receive many thoughtful words from those that he had the opportunity to work with through coaching. The connections he has created with fellow coaches, players and opponents are of great value to him.

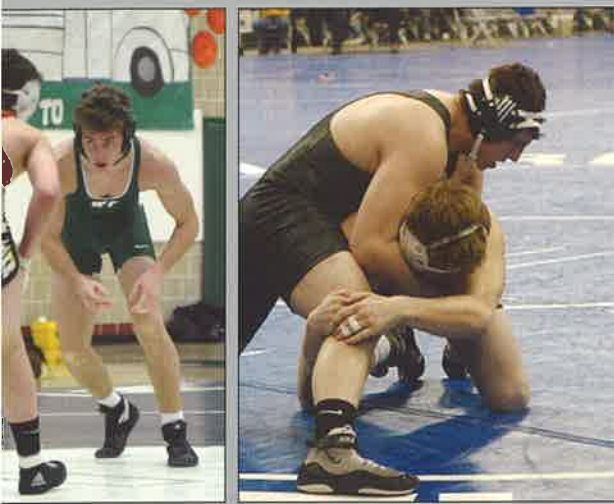
"Looking back the last couple of days I've gotten so many messages from former players, guys I've coached against and with and fans," Limke said. "Those connections will be the biggest thing that I will miss."

In addition to the lasting connections he has made along the way, Limke admits that he will truly miss the anticipation that comes with game day rituals.

"On a day to day basis I love going to practice and as crazy as it seems that nervous feeling you get in your gut before a game," Limke said. "I'm going to miss that energy that goes along with game day and the excitement of the crowd. It will be difficult to not be a part of it. I will need to find some things to fill that void."

Irene Astran

Above: SPEAKING TO THE AUDIENCE, boys basketball head coach Greg Limke gives his final speech. The team had a basketball banquet where Limke announced his retirement and thanked players and their families. Photo by Irene Astran.



From left, Gekow gets ready to charge on his opponent into a takedown. Photo by Elizabeth Hatcheski. Bawooz Metz tackles his opponent into a head lock to put him into a pin. Metz has a record of five seconds. Photo by Elizabeth Hatcheski. Freshman Logan Kraatz prepares to tackle. Kraatz is one of 10 freshmen in West Fargo wrestling. Photo by Elizabeth Hatcheski.



In the background, the Packatahnas perform during half-time at a boys varsity basketball game. Photo by Katelyn. During a girls basketball game, the Packatahnas perform their Pom routine. Photo by Katelyn.



The Packatahnas cheerleaders perform their Pom routine during the state tournament.

# Wrestling

- 11/22 West Fargo vs. Fargo South
- 11/25 W- West Fargo 61, Valley City 12
- 12/2 West Fargo vs. GF Red River
- 12/9 West Fargo vs. Fargo Davies
- 12/12 West Fargo vs. Grand Forks Sertoma
- 12/19 West Fargo @ Minnesota Christmas Tournament
- 1/2 West Fargo @ Rumble on the Red
- 1/9 West Fargo @ Bismarck Poiaary Tournament
- 1/15 W- West Fargo 45, Grand Forks Central 30
- 1/20 W- West Fargo 42, Moorhead 26
- 1/23 West Fargo @ Grand Forks Multiple
- 1/29 West Fargo vs. Devils Lake
- 1/29 West Fargo vs. Carrington
- 1/31 West Fargo @ Aberdeen Tournament
- 2/5 West Fargo vs. Fargo North
- 2/19 West Fargo @ State Tournament vs. Minot
- 2/20 W- West Fargo 40, Bismarck Century 28
- 2/20 L- West Fargo 29, Bismarck High 33

# Boys Swimming

- 12/16 W- West Fargo 105, Grand Forks 75
- 1/16 L- West Fargo 71, Fargo South 112
- 1/15 W- West Fargo 109, Moorhead 71
- 1/27 W- West Fargo 110, Jamestown 73
- 2/6 L- West Fargo 66.5, Mandan 96.5
- 2/13 W- West Fargo 92, Fargo North 91
- 2/20 W- West Fargo 103, Davies 73
- 2/21 W- West Fargo 101, Sheyenne 82
- State - 4th Place
- Final Conference Standing - 2nd Place

# Packatahnas

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|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Fargo North: Jazz 1 | Spirit of America: Kick 1 | State: Jamestown, ND 1/23-1/24  | Dance Extreme Nationals: Minneapolis, MN 2/20-2/22 |
| Jazz 1              | Kick 1                    | Kick 1                          | Kick 1 & Best Uniforms                             |
| Pom 2               | Jazz 5                    | Jazz 1                          | Jazz 2 & judges choice                             |
| West Fargo: Jazz 1  | NDSU Invite: 12/10        | Pom 2                           | Pom 2  |
| Kick 1              | Kick 1                    | Nationals: Orlando, FL 1/30-2/1 | Grand Champion 2                                   |
| Pom 1               | Pom 2                     | Kick 3                          |  |

# Boys Hockey

- In order of the season:
- L- West Fargo 2, Bismarck High 3
  - L- West Fargo 3, Bismarck Century 5
  - W- West Fargo 5, Fargo North 0
  - W- West Fargo 5, Grafton 0
  - L- West Fargo 2, GF Red River 4
  - L- West Fargo 2, GF Central 4
  - W- West Fargo 5, Devils Lake 1
  - W- West Fargo 11, Morris 0
  - L- West Fargo 3, New Ulm 5
  - W- West Fargo 5, Fergus Falls 4
  - T- West Fargo 4, Fargo Davies 4
  - W- West Fargo 4, Fargo South 3
  - L- West Fargo 3, Grafton 4
  - T- West Fargo 3, Devils Lake 3
  - L- West Fargo 1, Fargo South 4
  - W- West Fargo 4, GF Central 3
  - W- West Fargo 2, Jamestown 1
  - W- West Fargo 7, Fargo North 1
  - W- West Fargo 11, Bottineau 0
  - L- West Fargo 0, GF Red River 6
  - W- West Fargo 4, Fargo Davies 3

# Cheerleading

- 11/15 State: 4th place
- 12/6 Regionals: 1st place
- 1/24 Spirit of America Competition: 7th place
- 1/25 Crimson Challenge: 1st place
- 2/20 Nationals: 8th place

# Girls Basketball

- EDC STANDINGS
- |                      |                               |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Shanley W-20, L-0    | Devils Lake W-9, L-11         |
| Davies W-16, L-4     | Central W-7, L-13             |
| Red River W-15, L-5  | Valley City W-6, L-14         |
| West Fargo W-14, L-6 | North W-2, L-18               |
| South W-11, L-9      | Sheyenne W-0, L-20            |
| Wahpeton W-10, L-10  | 5th place at state tournament |



# Winter Sports

# Boys Basketball

- 12/6 L- West Fargo 68, Minot 79
- 12/9 W- West Fargo 85, Sheyenne 50
- 12/12 W- West Fargo 84, Devils Lake 60
- 12/16 W- West Fargo 68, Fargo North 44
- 12/19 L- West Fargo 79, Fargo Davies 84
- 12/20 W- West Fargo 75, GF Central 36
- 1/3 W- West Fargo 68, Fargo South 44
- 1/6 W- West Fargo 58, Shanley 47
- 1/8 W- West Fargo 62, GF Red River 52
- 1/13 L- West Fargo 51, Wahpeton 61
- 1/15 W- West Fargo 51, Valley City 48
- 1/23 W- West Fargo 80, Devils Lake 42
- 1/27 W- West Fargo 70, Sheyenne 48
- 1/30 W- West Fargo 67, Fargo North 50
- 2/3 W- West Fargo 85, Fargo Davies 65
- 2/6 W- West Fargo 69, GF Central 39
- 2/10 W- West Fargo 81, Fargo South 54
- 2/13 W- West Fargo 69, Shanley 58
- 2/17 W- West Fargo 80, GF Red River 37
- 2/20 L- West Fargo 61, Wahpeton 69
- 2/24 W- West Fargo 90, Valley City 56
- 3/3 W- West Fargo 64, Sheyenne 50
- 3/6 L- West Fargo 50, Fargo Davies 59
- 3/7 W- West Fargo 69, Shanley 62
- 3/12 L- West Fargo 61, Minot 76
- 3/13 W- West Fargo 62, Belcourt 55
- 3/14 W- West Fargo 62, Jamestown 60
- 5th place at state tournament

# Girls Hockey

- 11/25 W- West Fargo 18, Devils Lake 0
- 12/6 W- West Fargo 10, Dickinson 1
- 12/9 T- West Fargo 1, Grand Forks 1
- 12/12 L- West Fargo 0, Bismarck 4
- 12/16 W- West Fargo 4, Fargo North 1
- 12/18 L- West Fargo 3, Devils Lake 4
- 12/20 W- West Fargo 3, Fargo Davies 0
- 12/29 L- West Fargo 1, Grand Forks 2
- 12/30 W- West Fargo 3, Park Rapids 0
- 1/9 W- West Fargo 3, Minot 0
- 1/10 W- West Fargo 6, Williston 0
- 1/13 W- West Fargo 10, Jamestown 1
- 1/15 W- West Fargo 16, Devils Lake 0
- 1/20 W- West Fargo 2, Fargo North 1
- 1/23 W- West Fargo 3, Mandan 0
- 1/30 L- West Fargo 0, Bismarck 2
- 1/31 L- West Fargo 0, Warroad 6
- 2/3 W- West Fargo 8, Fargo Davies 1
- 2/6 L- West Fargo 1, Bismarck 2
- 2/13 W- West Fargo 6, Williston 0
- 2/14 W- West Fargo 7, Minot 2
- 2/17 L- West Fargo 0, Grand Forks 1
- 2/20 W- West Fargo 11, Jamestown 0
- 2/26 W- West Fargo 3, Fargo Davies 2
- 2/27 L- West Fargo 1, Grand Forks 3
- 2/28 W- West Fargo 4, Fargo North 1
- 3rd place at state tournament



From left to right, Warriors rebound, seniors Bert Holland, Austin Bonner, and Josh Peterson box out their opponent from West Fargo Sheyenne. The Packers beat the Mustangs 85-60 on Dec. 9th. Photo by Annie Mathers. Jumped up to block a ball, senior Cassioy Nelson rises to gain control. The girls basketball team ended their season with 14 wins and six losses. Photo by Katelyn Handach. Somewhere between Miller, carries the puck along the ice, defending his goal. The team faced off against South High School. Photo by Sabrina Leier.

# KNOWN



"I have two grandparents that served. As I think about it, on some level, they're part of the reason I joined JROTC. And part of the reason why I want to go on and join the Marines. To keep that going."

Callen Grochow, 10



Karlee Wold gave a speech at state Family, Career, Community, Leaders of America (FCCLA) to be elected state president. She was later voted to be on the state board.

Karlee Wold, 11



"Ich habe eine schokolade affen in meiner hose, it's an on-going joke with Frau's classes. It means I have a chocolate monkey in my pants. It has become a legacy."

Cheyenne Cole, 12



REIN TAKES to a well English teacher Michelle Smette receives strand after strand of duct tape. The Renaissance Club had students buy a piece of duct tape to raise money. Photo by Sierra Balster.



SWINGING THE RACKET, junior Brianna Olson follows through on a forehand swing. Photo by Sierra Balster.



# Spring 2015



JUNIOR GAWA ELISHAW watches as a nurse from the Red Cross prepares to draw his blood. Many different teachers motivated students to donate blood by giving out extra credit to students. Photo by Holly Bellinsky.



FLIPPING HER ARM, counselor Julie Hersch prepares herself before the dunk tank. Students were able to pay money to try and dunk teachers to raise money in support of junior Paige Lazorenko. Photo by Karly Randesh.





# Struggling on the ACT

college. That is what goes through many students' minds while studying about the ACT, because many colleges look at the scores of a standardized test to determine who is right for their school. This year, the original ACT date was March 17th, which was about a month earlier than the original date in April that it was taken last year. March 17th was two days before students' spring break, which caused 20 or more students to miss the original testing date. The makeup ACT was scheduled for a week after the original date, but was then moved to a week later. Junior Parker Schneeberger was on a vacation during the ACT. "I feel like it was a bad decision because students might have been in school-mode after being on vacation for four days," he said. Parker Schneeberger didn't mind missing it and actually thought it was an advantage, which gave him more time to prepare for it. Junior Parker Flaagan said she "felt very nervous and anxious" about the ACT. "I took three practice tests and reviewed the questions I got wrong," he said. "The fact that it was a month earlier did not bother her; she just started preparing earlier. She thinks she did well, but said there is always room for improvement. Junior Kourtney Kuhn prepared for the ACT by taking prep classes, taking practice tests, and getting plenty of sleep the night before.

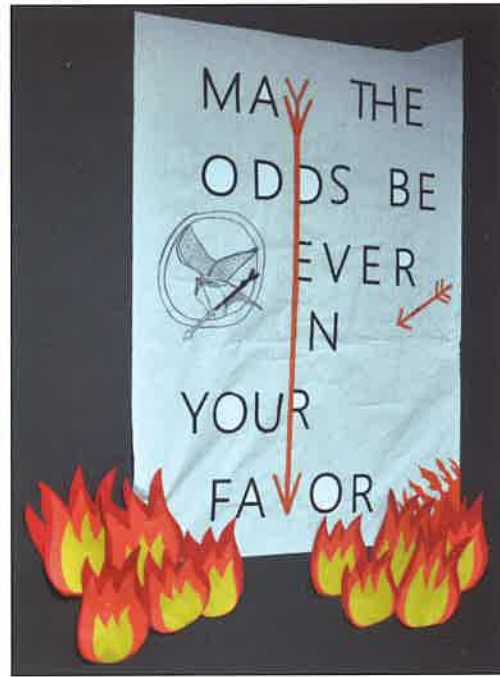
"I was on a family vacation for ten days right before taking the test, which made it hard to concentrate when I came back. Having a break definitely makes it harder for you to come back to school and be able to focus on a six hour test," Kuhn said. The fact that it was a month earlier did bother her because students had less time to prepare for it. Although, she believes she did pretty good on the test with the help of going to the ACT prep classes and taking extra tests on her break. Junior Emily Driscoll also had to make up the ACT and said, "I didn't like how the date changed, because then I couldn't go to the second day of theater festival. If it was on the earlier date that was planned, I wouldn't have missed anything." The rescheduled makeup day interfered with Emily Driscoll's other activities, including theatre and orchestra, leaving her with little time to prepare and a busy and stressful schedule. "I feel like I did pretty good, but I need to work on my time management skills when test taking," Driscoll said.

Sabrina Leier

Above: On March 17th and March 31st, students gather in the Veterans Arena or room by the theater to take the ACT. All juniors were required to take this test, but were allowed to leave for the remainder of the day. Photo Illustration by Sabrina Leier.



Senior Dylan Turner gets caught in the mud showing it by making a goopy face for the camera. Photo by Ashley Dew. Senior Jacob Hoy keeps paddling his way across LE Berger's pond in the water before getting onto the boat. Photo by Ashley Dew. Senior Tristen Elder puts in a max effort to win the boat race. Elder managed to make it across the pond. Photo by Ashley Dew. Senior Thomas struggles to keep his boat afloat leaving his supporters in the audience worried he won't win. Photo by Ashley Dew. Senior Haley gets off her plunge into the water trying to win. Photo by Ashley Dew.



Left to Right: Screenshot of Education Teacher Janessa Vello poses in her costume for staff theme week. The theme for the special-ed department was the Lego Movie. Photo by Annie Mattara. The Foreign Language department celebrates staff theme week by decorating their department with a Wizard of Oz theme. Teachers dressed up as characters from the movie, making students laugh throughout the day. Photo by Annie Mattara. The CTA and ELL departments celebrate theme week by choosing the theme 'If you can dodge a ball' theme. The departments dressed up as characters from the movie 'Dodgeball'. Photo by Kaylee Stokka. The English Department at WFHS went the extra mile and decorated using a Hunger Games theme. This turned out to be one of the top themes that students voted to be the best, but did not win first place. Photo by Kaylee Stokka.

## Talent Show Results

1st Place  
Jaeden Schaan, 12

2nd Place  
Ciara Houser, 12

3rd Place  
Jessica Qian and Mia Schuster, 12



Left to Right: Sophomore Capen Wice places another piece of duct tape onto math teacher Brant Naspel. Wice bought an unlimited amount of tape, making there enough to get revenge on his favorite math teacher. Photo by Sierra Balster. Principal Jennifer Fremstad gives students a worried look, hoping she does not stay stuck to the wall. Luckily for Fremstad, she didn't stay stuck to the wall, but students still had the opportunity to duct tape her. Photo by Karly Handash. Sophomore Jaden Black laughs nervously as Jocelyn Workman attaches a piece of duct tape to his arm during Duct Tape for Third Lunch. Photo by Karly Handash. Sophomore Tanner Peterson places a piece of duct tape onto English teacher Mitchell Smette's mouth. Along with Peterson, Parker Borg helps make sure Smette sticks to the wall with the unlimited tape they both bought. Photo by Sierra Balster.

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"I served 20 years in the Army National Guard from 1978-1998 and I also have two brothers-in-law and a son-in-law who have recently served in Iraq and Afghanistan."  
Jerome Bailey, Science Teacher



"My grandfather on my dad's side, he's a veteran from the Vietnam War on the US Army infantry. My grandfather on my mom's side was a part of the Belgian army in WWII as a medic."  
Christopher Geeraerts, 10



"I have two grandparents that served. As I think about it, on some level, they're part of the reason I joined JROTC. And part of the reason why I want to go on and join the Marines. To keep that going."  
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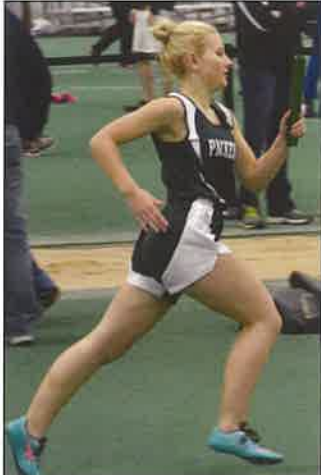


"I have a great uncle who is retired from the Army and a cousin who is currently in the Army. It means a lot to me because I know that they wanted to join and fight for our country's freedom."  
Mercedes Van Vleet, 10



Left to right: Two students share their experiences of what it was like to be in the war and then to return home after. Photo by Karly Randash. Students discuss about saving overseas. Photo by Karly Randash. Students from grades joined in on listening to the inspiring presentations by several military veterans. Later on the students went up and thanked the veterans for serving the country and sharing their stories about the wars. Photo by Karly Randash. Science teacher Jerome Bailey shakes hands with several military veterans after they spoke about some of the documentaries and played a video about the war. "I was never activated to serve overseas but came close to being activated when Iraq invaded Kuwait," Jerome Bailey said. Photo by Karly Randash.

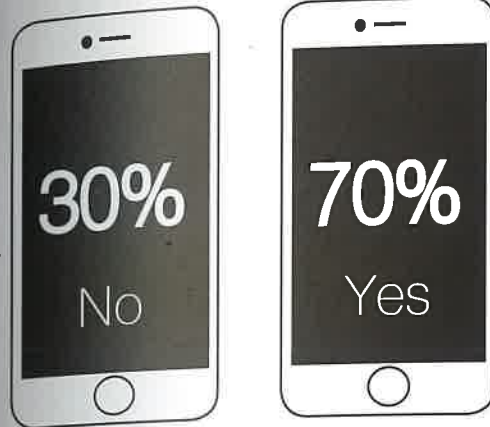
The Baton is passed to Anna Van Cleave. Van Cleave and teammates win the relay. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy. Kaylee Stofka waits for her turn on the track. WFHS competes against area schools. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy. Stofka prepares before the 60 meter sprint. Komar's relay team took first place. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy.



Left to right: Yearbook head editor Karly Randash collects the overall yearbook awards. The 2013-2014 yearbook received first in the state of North Dakota. Photo by Erin Daignault. Junior Michael is in broadway. Photo by Erin Daignault. Junior Tom Kindem receives an award for one of the four photography categories. His adviser Jeremy Murphy congratulates him on his accomplishment along with other staff members of yearbook and newspaper. Photo by Erin Daignault. Junior Sarah and Eli Ratchenski receive first and second in state novice for Student Life Spread Designs. Photo by Erin Daignault.

# Are cell phones distracting?

Out of 30 Students



Left to right: A student watches as a nurse from the Red Cross prepares to draw his blood. Many different teachers motivated students to donate blood by giving out extra credit to students. Photo by Holly Belinsky. Tyler Walsvik donated his blood to help those in need and also to receive extra credit for Dual Credit Anatomy. Photo by Holly Belinsky. Senior Kelsey Bishoff looks ahead as she waits for the nurse to draw her blood for the blood drive. Photo by Holly Belinsky.



# Spring Contest

Putting in hard work and dedication will lead to success. This explains why the West Fargo High School yearbook program has ranked first place 12 years in a row in the Northern Scholastic Press Association competitions. Seniors Ashley Dew and Logan Ahern were also awarded the highest of honors at the competitions. Dew was named Photographer of the Year and Ahern was named Journalist of the Year for North Dakota. One of Ashley Dew's major hobbies is photography. She takes senior pictures for students and friends of hers. She said she was not expecting to hear her name when she was announced Photographer of the Year.

"I think that adding Photographer of the Year will be an achievement that I can add to my resume when applying for jobs and scholarships." Logan Ahern went through a similar process when he was announced as Journalist of the Year. He had to submit some of his previous writings from sophomore year to senior year to show the judges all of the areas of writing he has completed. Ahern found out about his honor from his publication adviser Jeremy Murphy. Murphy told the class about Ahern's success. "I didn't process what he [Mr. Murphy] had said," Ahern said. "Everyone was extremely happy for me and all I could think was that three years of hard work paid off." He said he plans on using the portfolio he submitted for future job applications and continue adding to it. "It's a nice way to have everything organized and show my accomplishments," he added.

"I was surprised and happy. It felt really good to know that all the hard work I had poured into my photography portfolio was worth it," she said. To create her photography portfolio she needed to create a page layout that included her photos. She then needed to create a cover page. In the layout she chose to include portraits, macrophotography and sports photos. An explanation of the different elements of photography that were evident and her process of taking and editing the photo was placed next to each photo in the page layout. "Entering the competition taught me how to design my own portfolio, which will be helpful in pursuing photography as a side business," Dew

Eli Ratchenski

Above: Newspaper and yearbook staff pose for a picture after being awarded their awards at the spring Northern Interscholastic Press Association also known as NIPA. Photo by Annie McKenzie



# et Back in the Seasons

Freshman Darian Chwialkowski got a concussion during a Junior Olympic volleyball tournament on March 28th. She showed up to practice one day telling me she got hit in the during a volleyball game the day before," coach Randy Holzmann

I was playing volleyball and I was blocking a ball and I ended up ng it with my head," Chwialkowski said

Chwialkowski has been part of the 17 Legends team for West Fargo Olympic Volleyball since the beginning of February. She has doing Junior Olympic volleyball for five years and track during each along with playing volleyball.

During the fall Darian also plays volleyball for the high school and is the few freshmen that played on the varsity team as a freshman. It was a fun and different experience and it wasn't too hard to play e team," Darian said.

was Chwialkowski's first time playing on the varsity volleyball team.

Teammate in both volleyball and track, senior Tabitha Miller, described Darian as a teammate,

"She is a great teammate and worker. She works hard at each sport she competes in and I could tell she was upset after she got her concussion," Miller said.

Each of them do long and high jump for the track team.

"I'm hoping to be back into both volleyball and track in a couple weeks," Chwialkowski said.

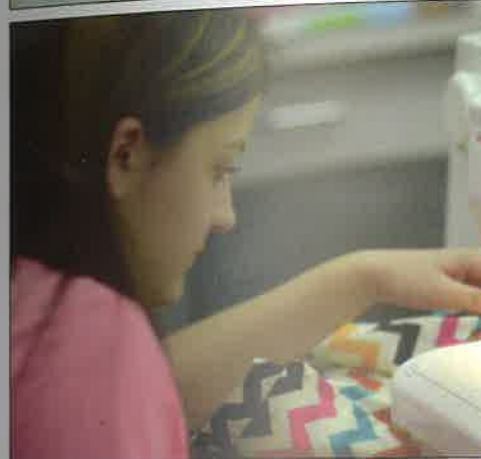
Chwialkowski was taken out of both track and Junior Olympic volleyball for a while until she is able to pass a concussion test. During the concussion test she will be tested on her vision, hearing, strength, balance, coordination, reflexes, concentration, and the ability to recall information.

Mandi Rakoczy

During a game against Valley City Sr. High, Freshman Darian Chwialkowski and Junior Kennedy Sand jump and reach for a middle block against offensive right-side hitters. Photo by Breana Orlando

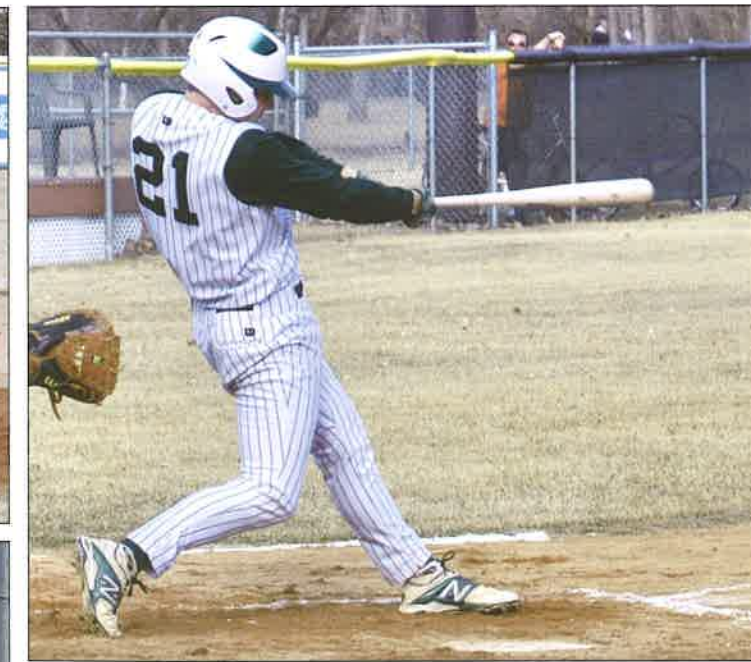


During her varsity game on Sept. 8th, freshman Darian Chwialkowski walks forward, prepared to serve the volleyball to Shanley High School. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy During a game on Sept. 11th against Fargo North High School, Chwialkowski prepares to save a ball in case it wasn't spiked over by one of the team's outside players. Photo by Holly Bellinsky. On Sept. 23rd, Chwialkowski and senior Izzy Waite prepare for a spike by opposing Valley City High. Photo by Breana Orlando



Contemporary Sewing classes, led by Family and Consumer Sciences teacher Sarah Williams, have been working hard all semester for their spring sales. "[Contemporary Sewing students] sent out a survey to see where the most interest was among the students and faculty. The survey showed that Laundry Bags, Pillowcases, and Headbands had the most votes, so every student made one of each," Williams said. "Profits are then used to pay for material needed for a service project that they will decide on later in the semester."

Senior James Tuttle sews together two pieces of cloth to make a pillow case. Contemporary sewing classes were on their entrepreneurship unit of their class, where they had to come up with ideas for things to make and sell to the public. Photo by Kaylee Stokka Senior Emily Davidson prepares her sewing machine for her multi-colored and striped pillow case. This contemporary sewing class was making pillow cases, headbands, and laundry bags for fundraising for a service project later this semester. Photo by Kaylee Stokka Senior Victoria Holgers cuts off extra thread from her pillow case. Every single student made something different for their classes and for something to sell. Photo by Kaylee Stokka



Senior Matthew Hawk pitches a baseball to his opponent, a Wahpeton High School student. Photo by Breana Orlando Senior Morgan Stirling prepares herself for an oncoming softball to be pitched from her opponent, a Bemidji High School student. Photo by Annie Matten Senior Luke Havosh extends his arms and bat after hitting the pitch from a Wahpeton pitcher. Photo by Breana Orlando Senior Paige Avie slides towards third base with a softball nearby, just barely making it safe to third. Varsity softball players had a proud victory against Bemidji on March 31st. Photo by Annie Matten Senior Catherine Gleason runs inward towards home base after a teammate hit the softball, allowing her to make a run for home base and making it safe. Photo by Annie Matten

to right: German club Frau Mulvaney organizes dresses while Senior club member Mara goes through to pick out for herself among dresses donated, 12 were students from West and Shyanne for prom, or special occasions. Photo by Karly Randash. Mara Heurzer goes through the donated dresses to pick out for herself to wear. Dresses were donated by students, teachers, and family members. Photo by Karly Randash. Junior Alexis Lehman goes through the dresses to pick out the dress she wore to prom. Photo by Karly Randash.



Seniors Tony Kizem and Cheyanne Cole get a slice of pizza for themselves at a German Club movie night. Germ Club members watched Pirate of the Caribbean and ate snacks they brought after school to finally get together as a club. Photo by Karly Randash.



"Aller Anfang is schuer, which means All beginnings are hard. Its my favorite quote because everything you learn is hard at first but you get used to it at the end." Brooke Anderson, 10



"Ich habe eine schokolade affen in meiner hose, it's an on-going joke with Frau's classes. It means I have a chocolate monkey in my pants. It has become a legacy." Cheyanne Cole, 12



"Moin-moin which means hi-hi. I like saying this because it sounds exactly how I would talk if I was born a German." Chelsey Cressman, 12



# Wohl Recovers

Last February, Marcus Wohl was supposed to begin his junior year of baseball where he would be the starting catcher of the varsity team. After being hit by a car in the school parking lot, his injuries did not allow him to participate. In the accident he received a radial fracture in his left wrist, oral fractures throughout his nasal cavity and damage to his eye socket.

As Wohl reflects on his recovery he said it was difficult for him to get back into the swing of the game. In order to maintain the skill level to compete with his team, he had to put in an immense amount of effort in during the off season.

"I had to sit out for the whole season, but I was fortunate enough to get back on the field for Legion baseball," Wohl said. "Unfortunately, it was pretty tough. I told myself not to push my injury to an extent, but later I was back to full strength."

Teammate and senior Chase Gooding said it was difficult to lose Wohl last season because he felt the team lost a worthy leader. "We lost our starting catcher, which was a huge loss, but we lost a leader on the field, which is harder to replace," Gooding said.

Gooding said it took time for Wohl to recover, but that he remained persistent in his training so that he could continue to train during the summer to prepare for his senior year of baseball.

"When he was still injured he worked on everything he could to get him back to the swing of things, but coming back from a broken wrist in baseball is hard," Gooding said. "You throw, catch and swing with your wrist and I think he did a phenomenal job coming back from a tough injury like that."

Senior pitcher Ben Strahm said losing their starting catcher hurt the team, but it led the team to set high expectations to support Wohl's situation.

"It was hard going into the season knowing you don't have your starting catcher," Strahm said. "When the season came I think he was a huge part to our success last year. He pushed us to play hard and we knew that we were playing not only for ourselves, but for him."

Now that Wohl is back, he wishes to achieve each goal he held for himself going into the baseball season last year.

"I hope to become the leader I was hoping to pursue last year, but most of all I want to help my team strive to glory in my final season as a Packer," Wohl said.

Irene Astran

Above: Senior Marcus Wohl, poses for a senior picture. Now that Wohl is back he wishes to achieve each goal he held for himself going into the baseball season last year. Photo submitted by Marcus Wohl.

to right: Junior Stricker tries to push through an opposing player to try to get the ball. Stricker plays mid-field as the others on the varsity try to make it towards the goal. Photo by Holly Bellinsky. Freshman Emily Burtfield curves the ball away from an opposing player causing a collision with the fence. The collision was against Bismarck. Photo by Holly Bellinsky. Emily Burtfield charges ready to kick it in a Bismarck player, the ball closer to the goal. Photo by Holly Bellinsky.



From left to right: Seniors Emma Kucharski stretches out for the cheer tryouts. This being her first year, Kucharski made it into the junior varsity cheer team. Photo by Logan Ahern. Eighth grader Levi Johnson stretches out before they went through their first routine. This year is Johnson's second year in cheer. Photo by Logan Ahern. Girls from all grade levels stretch out to go through the routine for tryouts to see if they make JV or Varsity. Ages ranged from seventh graders to juniors. Photo by Logan Ahern.

## French Club Poetry Contest 1st Place



**French:** LE COEUR e coeur est froid, Tu dois voir moi, Il doit voir toi, Il veut quoi? e coeur est froid, Pourquoi? Parce que.

**Translation:** THE HEART The heart is cold. You must see me. He must see you, What does he want? The heart is cold, Why? Because,

Ashley Dew and Jessica Qian

## 2nd Place

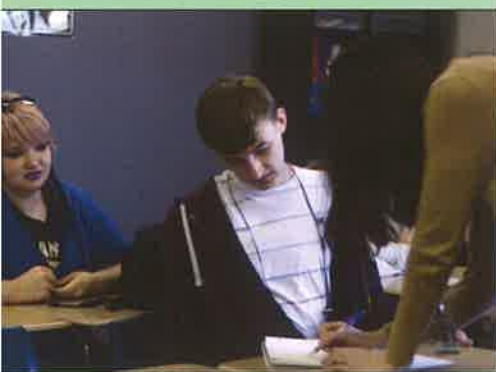


**French:** Durant le jour Le soleil est leve Mais pendant la nuit La lune est Claire tant que le jour sols fini, j'ois aller me coucher

**Translation:** During the day The sun is risen But during the night the moon is clear Now that the day is finished, I have to go to bed

Morgan Bigsbe and Molly Hanson

## 3rd Place



**French:** LE BAIN DE MORT marche dans le bain, fort sur ma toilette, Il est tres cool, Il me regarde, intenant je suis cool

**Translation:** THE BATH OF DEATH I walk in the bath Die on my toilet It is very cool, It looks at me Now I am cool

Devin Dick and Charissa Meyer



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From left to right: Senior Logan Ridder, senior Ashley Dew, junior Elizabeth Ratchenski, sophomore Erin Daignault, and junior Sabrina Leier. They were on their way to their sessions for the day of the National Convention in Denver. Photo submitted by Logan Aborn. Senior Kayla Peterson and Ashley Dew pose for a photo before packing up their bags and heading home. They are still dressed up from the awards ceremony. Photo submitted by Ashley Dew. West Fargo High School Publication students smile for a photo while at dinner at McCormick's Fish House in Denver. The students went to the JEA National Convention that was held in Denver. Photo submitted by Jeremy Murphy. Senior Ashley Dew takes a selfie with the newspaper students in a shuttle on the way to hotel from the airport. They stayed at the Downtown Denver Sheraton Hotel. Photo submitted by Ashley Dew. The newspaper and yearbook students at the convention pose for a photo after the awards ceremony the morning before they headed home. Those who won awards for their work and were honored at the ceremony. Photo submitted by Jeremy Murphy.



## Vice President of Finance on the North Dakota FCCLA State Board

The duties Karlee must fulfill with this position:

- Attend CTSO in June
- Attend National FCCLA convention in July
- Attend state officer training
- Attend winter leadership training
- Web calls to plan meetings and state 2016
- Wear official uniform at FCCLA events

This outfit includes:

- official red blazer
- pencil skirt
- oxford button up
- black heels

JUNIOR KARLEE WOLD is talking to fellow FCCLA members before she gives her speech to be elected FCCLA state president. Wold however did not make the position of president, but she was still voted to be on the state board. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski.



# Bjornson retires

After working in West Fargo High's Building Program for 18 out of his 21 years of teaching, building trades teacher Robert Bjornson plans to retire from the profession. Bjornson has built 38 homes with his students in his time at West Fargo High, and is now dedicated to building independently full time.

Beyond the classroom, Bjornson has been active as a Skills USA adviser, state leader and member of the Association of Career and Technical Education.

Bjornson has won many awards from his teaching career, one of which was the national award for creating the best building program in the nation in 2000. He was the only person that year to receive the honor. In his time teaching, Bjornson has built a nationally renowned program from the Association of Career and Technical Education.

"One of the main reasons I got the national award was because of the fact that no other school teaches the way we do here," Bjornson said. "In my classes, I hand pick my second year students to show the first year students how to do things. It is a sort of a mentorship, and that's why my classes have been so successful, and that's why I have won so many awards."

On the side of teaching, Bjornson also works on building houses independently.

"It seems to be that I work more in the summer than I do here at school," Bjornson said.

With his retirement, Bjornson is able to do what he loves all year

around. Now with his new career, there is now the question of what will happen to West Fargo High after he leaves.

"His retirement leaves some very big shoes to fill," Cass County Career in Technical Engineering (CCCTE) director Denise Jonas said. "He will not only be missed in West Fargo, but across the state. However, as with many retirements, we will work with building leaders to hire qualified staff to fill his position to ensure continuation of the construction for our students."

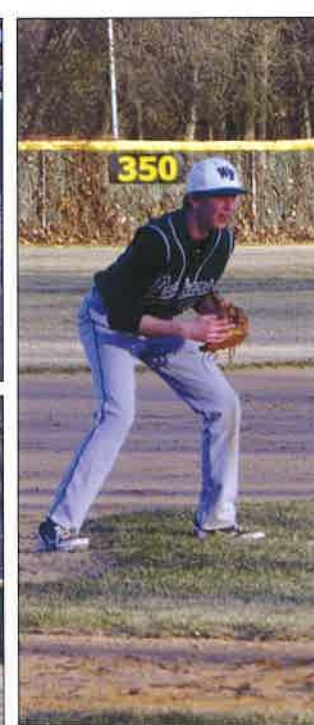
Bjornson is not only leaving the staff and facilities, but also the students.

"I was happy he decided to stick around another year with our class, because he could have retired a couple of years ago, but I'm glad I got to have two years with him," senior Logan Ridder said. "I know he'll [Bjornson] still be successful when he's done teaching."

"Mr. Bjornson has done an outstanding job outlining his program and projects to support our next educator; again exhibiting great character, interest for future students, and passion for his program," Jonas said. "He has set the bar high, so I hope to honor him by carrying on his legacy."

Anthony Peralta

BUILDING TRADES TEACHER Robert Bjornson watches as his students finish up work on the roofs of the model homes. After 33 years of teaching, Bjornson plans to retire at the end of the school year. Photo by Ashley Dew.



From left to right: Going through the progression of her swing, senior Madison Nelson attempts to make contact with the ball. The varsity girls team played against Davies at Elmwood Park. Photo by Breana Orlando. Freshman Andrew Givovich is pitching the ball. The junior varsity baseball team played against Sheyenne at the Legion Field. Photo by Breana Orlando. Waiting for the pitcher to pitch the ball, Jakob Semrad is in his stance at third base. The junior varsity baseball team played against Sheyenne. Photo by Breana Orlando. Junior Sorey Kramer runs with the ball to try and score a goal. Kramer plays mid-field on the girls varsity soccer team. Photo by Breana Orlando. Junior Brock Lee runs with the ball while trying to keep it away from Fargo South. The team won 2-0 against Fargo South in this game at the Ledeen Center field. Photo by Breana Orlando.



# Recycling Competition

Throughout the school year there have been multiple competitions between the West Fargo Packers and the Sheyenne Vikings and one is changing the environment for a better future. On April 20th students drove into the parking lot to find three recycling bins in the back corner of the lot. These bins were for a recycling challenge between the two schools. John McIntosh from Waste Management wanted to start a competition between two schools," math teacher and student council member Duane Broe said. "He came into a Student Council meeting and explained the competition to the students and they were all on board with it." To help motivate students to start recycling there was a reward given to the winning school, a pizza party. By the end of the week, the High School had a bigger volume of recyclables than West Fargo High School. As some students may be disappointed about not receiving the pizza, principal Jennifer Fremstad is not disappointed in the student population. "I think we forget that regardless of winning a pizza party or not, we did for that week and what we will continue to do changed our community," Fremstad said. Although the competition ended between the two schools, the

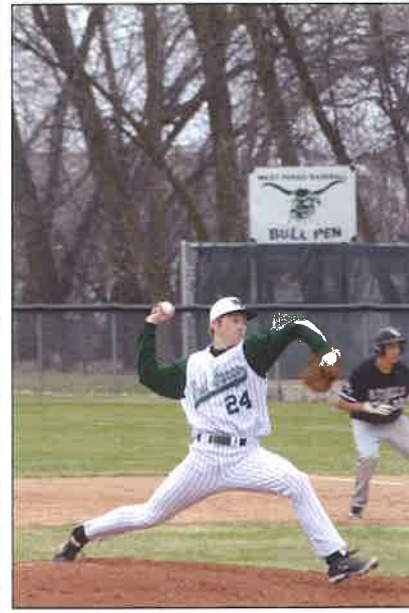
recycling kept going. Science teacher Sarah Forness took her class down during lunch and stood by the entrance of the garbage area with two different bins. One bin used for garbage and the other used for recycling items. Before students could put trays away, Forness's students would show the items on trays that were able to be recycled. "Sarah Forness intends to paint certain garbage bags to differentiate which one is garbage and which one is recyclables," Fremstad said. "Our school is in it for the long haul." Within just one day the school was able to fill a dumpster compared to the previous week in which one dumpster took a whole week to fill a dumpster. "I wish we would have filled more dumpsters during the actual competition," junior Erin Olson said. "It's still nice though that others kept recycling even after the competition ended." Even though students stepped in and recycled more after the competition, Fremstad wants to keep the recycling going and pass it on to other generations in the school. "Recycling should be a second nature to students, which could change the world," Fremstad said.

Breana Orlando

Above: DURING FIRST LUNCH, juniors Keely Walker and Allison Inman help students decide what is recyclable on their trays. Students from environmental science used the lunch period to save the planet. Photo by Breana Orlando.



From left to right: RUNNING THE FIRST LEG of the relay, senior Keegan Cronin runs for West Fargo rivals. Cronin begins running after the sound of the gun. Photo by Ashley Dew. LIFTING HIS LEG junior Alexander Talley throws the shotput. Talley is in his field event at the Moorhead meet. Photo by Ashley Dew.



From left to right: CROUCHING IN ANTIPOWICK, senior Marcus Wohl waits for the ball to be pitched. This was Wohl's first year back as catcher after being in an accident last year. Photo by Holly Belinsky. SENIOR MATTHEW HEWITT pitches a fastball against DGF Hewitt plays as an outfielder and a right hand pitcher. Photo by Holly Belinsky. ASSISTANT COACH Todd Rhead calls the infielders to the pitchers mound during a time out. Packers won against DGF with a score 11-1. Photo by Holly Belinsky.

## Celebrity Look-a-Likes



Junior Elizabeth Krueger bares resemblance to Hollywood actress Blake Lively famous for her roles in Gossip Girl and Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants. Photo by David Shankbone.



Junior Ryah Ackerland poses next to famous actress, model and singer Scarlett Johansson. She is known for her roles in Iron Man 2 and Avengers: Age of Ultron. Photo by Xavier Caballe.



SHARING FOR THE GUITAR class, the group Tigrilly performed with the students. Tigrilly is a North Dakota duo famous on YouTube. Photo by Kaylee Stokka. PLAYING ALONG WITH Tigrilly, guitar teacher Mark Berenson's guitar class learns how to play "Pretty Girls" written by Tigrilly. Students strum along and learn technique while Tigrilly is there to teach them. Photo by Kaylee Stokka.

## Best of Twitter

Ellen Cernik  
@ELLY\_Cernik

Rip to my GPA because of Netflix in my room along with a side of senioritis.

Amer Beklas  
@Amer\_Beklas

What i would do to be at the Quidditch World Cup right now 🏹

Sam  
@Samsam1234

\*gets upset because foot and boot are



# Students support Paige

Junior Paige Lazorenko's life at West Fargo High was pretty normal. One day that all changed when Lazorenko found out she had Stage III Metastatic Malignant Melanoma. Melanoma is measured in stages 1-4. Stage III means that Paige's cancer is not only present in her skin, but has spread to her lymph nodes, which makes it very difficult to treat, as of now there is no cure. To help slow the progression of her Melanoma, Lazorenko was transported to Memphis, Tenn. to stay at St. Jude's Children's Hospital. With Lazorenko, her mother Candida Lazorenko also traveled with her. St. Jude started Paige on a type of immunotherapy. This is a treatment option that helps stop or slow tumor growth and boosts the immune system. This will help her immune system control the melanoma cells in her body to help prevent tumor growth," Candida said. Lazorenko has a strong support system of friends and family, but not all of them were in Fargo while she was in Memphis. "The experience has been life changing. I never thought that I would have to go through something like this and be away from home for so long. And to be away from my support system for so long has been really hard," Lazorenko said. "One of those close friends happened to be her long time best friend, Holland who graduated from West Fargo in 2014. "When she was in Memphis I felt helpless. I'm always with her and supporting her. I always surprise her and showing up randomly with gifts. It felt so weird when I couldn't do that. It felt weird knowing that if I went to Candida's home that no one would be there to greet me when I got home," Holland said.

West Fargo community made sure she was supported by numerous events like Paige week at West Fargo High, a Pizza Ranch fundraiser supported by the West Fargo hockey team and even a dodgeball tournament at Sky Zone.

"There was a core group of family and friends that were our biggest supporters during this difficult time. The outpouring of support from the community was also very instrumental in helping us through the tough days," Candida said.

The West Fargo High Faculty has also been supportive by helping Lazorenko through her schooling while she is in Memphis.

"My schooling has been difficult, but my teachers have been very understanding on how my work should get done, and making deadlines that are easier for me to reach while I am here. I get school work sent to St. Jude's where I have school sessions a couple times a week and there are teachers to help and teach you your work," Lazorenko said.

Through the fight of Lazorenko's cancer, it has helped her family and friends realize how important spending time with loved ones is.

"This has brought my family closer together. It has truly made us realize how blessed we are to have each other and to make the most of our time together," Candida said.

The same rings true to long time best friends Lazorenko and Holland.

"I think if anything we both have realized how precious time is so we take advantage of every second we have together," Holland said.

Emily Chadwick

## Paige Week

# P A I G E



Monday: Prim and Proper  
Photo submitted by: Tabitha Miller



Tuesday: Adventure  
Photo submitted by: Irene Astran



Wednesday: Independence  
Photo submitted by: Haley Kringle



Thursday: Going to the Beach  
Photo submitted by: Carley Lemieux



Friday: Exactly Alike  
Photo submitted by: Aracely Rodriguez



From left to right: Counselor Julie Herich participated in Paige Week. Her role was to be dunked in the dunk tank. Photo by Karly Randash. Sophomore Ashley Moton participated during Paige week by taking a picture in the photo booth on Prim and Proper day. Photo by Kaylee Stokka. On Going to the Beach Day, Fay sold snow cones. Each cone was sold for \$1. Photo by Kaylee Stokka. Seniors Brent Javel and Matt Keller played a game of dodgeball at Sky Zone. Photo by Emily Chadwick. PAW HILL CONCESSIONS on Independence Day. They sold popcorn for \$1 for Paige. Photo by Kaylee Stokka.

The PHILANTHROPY AND YOUTH group organized a variety of fundraising events to help Paige during Paige week. One of the events was a dunk tank in front of the main entrance. Photo by Ashley Dew.

right: COLE JOHNSON drive the ball. Photo by Ashley Dew. SENIOR JOHNSON accepts her award for being the AVID student of the month. Photo by Ashley Dew. SENIOR JOHNSON hits the game against Johnson. Photo by Ashley Dew. SENIOR JOHNSON lines up for a putt. Photo by Ashley Dew.



From left to right: SENIORS COLE JOHNSON jumps over a hurdle during the 300m hurdle run. The meet took place at West Fargo High, known as Packer Relays. Boys placed fourth overall with 1025 points. Photo by Holly Belinsky. SENIOR MARISSA ST. MARIE returns the ball with sophomore Nicole Schreiner by her side in a doubles match. Girls tennis players faced Sheyenne High School. Photo by Sabrina Leter. SENIOR HAYLEY JOHNSON prepares to run from first base to second base after the pitch. Softball players faced Red River High School. Photo by Annie Matters. SENIORS MARISSA Schatz hurries to pass a Fargo North and Red River runner during the 4x200 meter relay. Girls placed third overall with 1115 points at Packer Relays. Photo by Holly Belinsky.



From left to right: **Best Couple** stick, seniors Andrew Sather, Parker Rosenthal, Jared Kroke, Dorothea Kom, Shalani Shakamari, Lawrence Cronin, Alada Diede, Clara Houser, Benjamin Prochniak, Steve Busch and West Fargo graduates Alexandra Dubi and Sarah Grinberg, capture a moment before Prom. Before grand march midday Prom groups look pictures and went to dinner. **Photo submitted by Andrew Sather.**  
**Best Dancer** audience, junior Morgan Heley and West Fargo graduate Gavin Day walk grand march. The Prom theme this year was New York City and Prom couples walked through a bridge, by a city and towards a pier. **Photo by Logan Ahern.**  
**Best Photo** picture, senior Andrea Milbrath greets friends and family after grand march. Students had time to socialize before the Prom dance started. **Photo by Logan Ahern.**  
**Best Song** seniors Nicole Heinen and Benjamin Holland sway to a slow song during the Prom dance. The dance lasted from seven to eleven with post Prom following immediately after. **Photo by Logan Ahern.**  
**Best Moment** senior Danielle Hickenkamp talks to her West Fargo graduate date Cole Swingen out in the courtyard. During prom, the courtyard was available for students to go outside for



From left to right: the winners of prizes to be announced, the post-Prom poets enjoy the food. The post-Prom committee of parents supplied donuts, taco in a bag and chips with queso to the students. **Photo submitted by Irene Astran.**  
 senior Morgan Stirling enjoys a game of dodgeball. Her team was named the Golden Snitches in reference to Harry Potter. **Photo submitted by Irene Astran.**  
 ball, senior Brandon Smadshammer prepares his attack. The team lost two of the three games they played. **Photo submitted by Irene Astran.**  
 the inflatable game from Games-to-Go, junior Drew Gnaecht prepares to run. Students had the option to play minute-to-win-it games, participate in Games-to-Go or compete in bingo. **Photo by Mandi Rakoczy.**

### Prom Numbers

- 261**  
Grand march couples
- 550**  
Prom tickets sold
- 17**  
Prom committee volunteers



### Best Moments



"My favorite part was the photo booth because it gave students an opportunity to look ridiculous with friends and let us enjoy ourselves. It was an amazing idea and I think they should have it again next year." **Photo by Logan Ahern.**  
 Alexis Lohman, 11

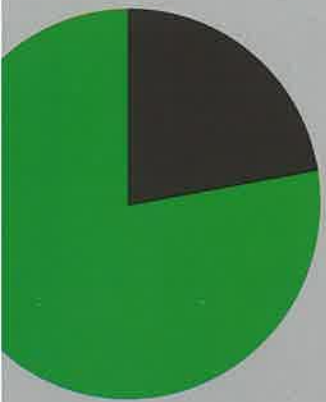


"My favorite part of the dance was probably just being able to let loose and have some fun. And I loved having the opportunity to see everyone and have such a good time." **Photo by Logan Ahern.**  
 Draw Mages, 12



"My favorite part of post-Prom was trusting dominance against my friends in a game of bouncy bloodshed. I got a sick thrill everytime I asserted my primal instinct on junior Tyler Roberson and others. I felt like a kid again." **Photo by Mandi Rakoczy.**  
 Alexander O'Connell, 11

## Senior skip day or senior call-out day?



30 Seniors skipped

105 Seniors called out

SOPHOMORE TANNER goes to strike out West Fargo won North. Photo by Breana MORE MEGAN NELSON in to second base it home scoring isty team a run. Photo JUNIOR MARIAN DOBLER way to first base after er plays outfield on ll as the junior varsity Ashley Daw. SOPHOMORE UN gets into position UN made it home after ough the bases and e Packers. Photo by



## Senior Lunch

One hundred and thirty-five pizzas. Four hundred and fifty dilly bars. On a sunny Tuesday, seniors were honored with a senior lunch where they were served pizza and dilly bars for lunch in the courtyard. Many students attended, probably around 375, over the course of the three lunches.

Principal Jennifer Fremstad stated, "Anytime we can honor students it is a success. I believe that the small things like this event mean a lot to those that attend. It was the least we could do to honor our senior class."

Senior McKenzie Van Hoon said, "I thought it was a really good idea. It felt good to be rewarded for all of our hard work and everyone loves pizza and dilly bars."

Senior Brenden Mandt said, "It was a good opportunity for students to get away from normal school lunches, and it was rewarding seniors for the hard work they've done in high school."

"Food was good, and dilly bar was refreshing in the warm weather," said senior Meghan O'Connor.

"It tells us that the principals appreciate what we students have done,"

adds Meghan O'Connor, talking about the lunch.

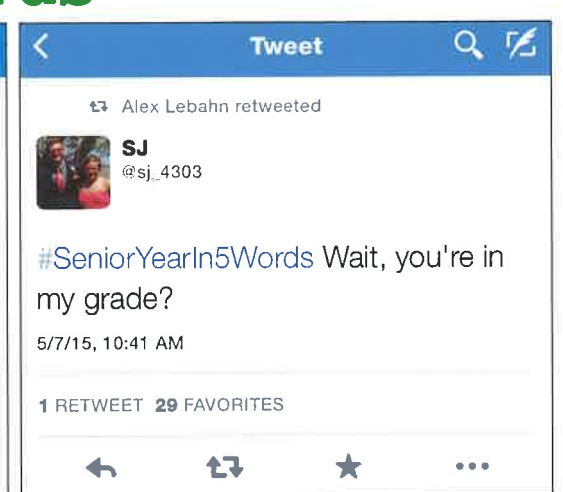
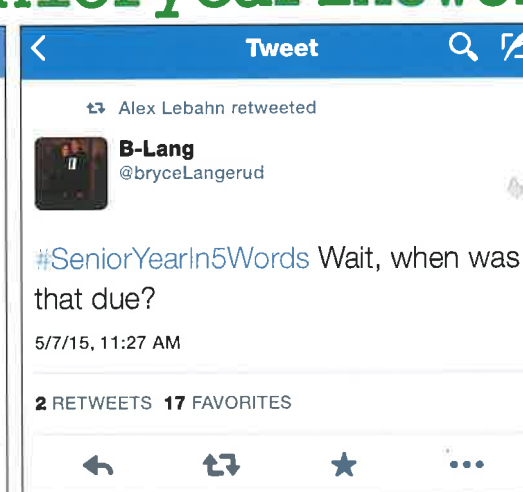
The administration used funds to buy all of the food. Though many attended, there were leftovers. The leftover pizza was shared with teachers, as it was National Teacher Appreciation week, and the leftover dilly bars were served at the end of the faculty lunch.

Administration plans to continue this lunch in the future. The menu may change, but not the event. Seniors deserve to be rewarded for their accomplishments throughout high school.

Sabrina Leier

Above: SENIORS GATHER in the courtyard for some pizza and dilly bars. The senior lunch happens every year to celebrate the last year of being in high school. Photo by Sierra Baister.

## #senioryearin5words



SOPHOMORE JACOB d senior Jason participated in show case. Their was to the song 'ide'. Photo by Chelsea SHAHED AL ZENAD did an African dance show case. he King of Africa for by Chelsea Cressman. up to get ready to cademic award. ic Award Banquet n the gymnasium inacol. Photo by Emily



# Baseball Lingo

When we are trying to get energy in our pregame warm up including a stretch circle." "bud, hey babe"

**Marcus Wohl, 12**

have the weirdest superstitions in our pregame warm up including a stretch circle." "bud, hey babe"

**Jake Telander, 12**

w in the hooks."

**Carson Bunn, 12**

Bat."

**Linda Strahm**



**Kaitlyn Kuntz** prepares to pitch the ball to her opponent. Photo by Breana Orlando. **Vanity catcher** Madison Nelson catches the ball while catcher Kaitlyn Kuntz warms up. Photo by Breana Orlando. **Senior Morgan Bering** prepares to hit the ball. Vanity softball played against Grand Forks Central and won 19-3. Photo by Breana Orlando. **Senior Logan Ahern** hits the ball and gets ready to run to first. The Packers played against the Shanley Deacons and won 6-4. Photo by Breana Orlando.



# Exprimere Launch Party

A party was held at the Red Raven Espresso Parlor on May 15th 2015, where students were invited for the launch of the first West Fargo Literary magazine, called Eprimere. In the magazine students share their work to express different feelings.

"(Seniors) Logan Ahern and Emily Chadwick approached me with the idea at the beginning of the school year," English teacher Beatrice Hill said. "This was an idea they had for a long time and not many high schools in North Dakota produce a literary magazine."

To get the magazine started, the staff had to fundraise to receive enough funds to actually have the magazine published. "Fundraising was one of our largest challenges," Hill said. "We contacted local businesses in an effort to raise sufficient funds to produce and publish the magazine."

Trying to find work to incorporate in the magazine, signs were posted around the school advertising the magazine and english classes were also informed that any students work could be published.

"I published a poem called Perfect Misfit that I wrote for English class," senior Jessica Qian said. "I got the inspiration for my

work from the poem "The Suicide's Argument" written by Samuel Taylor Coleridge and also from Tessa Miller's suicide and how that affected people."

For some students they have been writing most their lives and to have their work published could be a big accomplishment. "I had a few song lyrics published and the end product was really cool," senior Jaeden Schaan said. "I've been writing music since I was about five years old and it's my passion so I'll definitely be continuing to write and perform."

Students may use their own life stories to come up with some poems or song lyrics. "The inspiration I get is from my experiences and my life really and those around me," Schaan said.

Although some may not be as passionate to poetry as others, they may still enjoy writing in their own time. "I usually just write for class or when I feel super passionate about something," Qian said.

Breana Orlando

AT THE EXPRIMERE launch party, senior Sheridan Amb performs her own song. Photo by Arimeta Dlop.



**Striking the perfect note**, senior Evan Hager performs his last solo performance for the choir concert held in the evening of May 14. It was an emotional time for the seniors and their fellow choir peers, and the heart strings were even pulled on the audience members. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski. **GETTING EMOTIONAL**, senior Tessa Chambers cries to fellow seniors after receiving her award. The audience took the time to watch a slideshow full of baby pictures and favorite memories during the middle of the show. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski. **OBSERVING THE CROWD**, senior Stacy Ploom waits to present her Genetics presentation on fruit flies. The presentation takes place after six weeks of research on mode transmission of a mutation in a fruit fly. Photo by Logan Ahern. **IN THE MIDDLE** of presenting, senior Jacob Schweitzer explains part of his research that was conducted with a partner. Each year students prepare a formal lab report and poster and presentations in the

# What Are Your Plans for Summer?



Junior Lexi Stein has a summer filled with her working at her job, doing different types of track and field camps and Packer Power Camp. She will be coaching younger athletes at the Packer Power Camp. To end off the long summer days she will be spending time with friends and family. Above, from left to right, senior Tori Rusch, Junior Lexi Stein and Junior Keely Walker participated in shotgun and disc together on 12/20/14.



Junior Josh Mulske looks forward to going to the lakes and participating in activities such as wakeboarding and fishing. He also plans on working and spending a lot of time with his friends. Above: Mulske wakeboards on a sunny day at his lake. Photo Submitted by Josh Mulske.



Junior Annika Mastre and senior Rachel Mastre plan to go to Florida in June and look forward to boating and exploring new places there. The sisters will also be going to California. Annika says her summer will be full of tanning and reading. Above: Annika and Rachel are shooting guns at their vacation destination. Photo Submitted by Annika Mastre.



# Paczkowski Recognized

Candice Paczkowski has been teaching for 35 years, 15 of which she spent at West Fargo High. Just recently, she announced her retirement at the end of the 2014-2015 school year. In the years she has been teaching, she has learned that change is difficult for everybody," Paczkowski said. "I've learned that it doesn't make any difference if you're the teachers that I teach or the students, parents - change is always difficult whether it's a teacher coming into a classroom, whether it's a new teaching technique, or whether it's new skills that we have to teach [to] our students."

Junior Taylor Laufenberg was one of her Dual Credit students in the Fundamentals of Public Speaking students, and one of her English III students as well. "Paczkowski was a fun teacher who taught me a lot in both my English III class and her speech class," Laufenberg said. "She always came into the room with a smile and tried to make the lesson fun each day. She will be missed at West Fargo."

Starting a new school year every fall is one of Paczkowski's favorite things about each school year. "I love getting back into the classroom," she said. "It means new students and getting back in touch with my fellow teachers. Coming back, it's like another family."

English teacher Lindsey Cossette said she looks up to Paczkowski. "She was unwavering in her commitment to her students and her school, [along with] giving, wise, and sincere. [She is] old school, but she does it the best way possible," Cossette said.

"I tell [students] that what they learn in this class [is something]

I want them to use their senior year," Paczkowski said. "I want them to use it in their work, if they go to college; I want them to take it into their college classroom because their professors or their employers will say you did that better than everybody else."

Paczkowski was awarded with the Educators of Excellence award this week on May 18th, given by WDAY. "The award - as it was explained to me - is given to six people in the area," Paczkowski said. "In my case, a former student whom I had known three years ago nominated me."

"I wish other students could participate in [Paczkowski's] speech class and learn about all the tips and tricks she has to offer," Laufenberg said. "She helped me become more confident in myself when writing and delivering speeches."

Paczkowski addressed the difference between teaching now and when she first started. "Thirty-five years ago, the teacher knew the information and gave it to the students," she said. "There were a lot of lectures and a lot of writing. Today, everything is more student-driven. Everything 35 years ago came out of a textbook; today supplemental information is used in addition to a text."

Despite Paczkowski being a teacher, she has learned from her students as much as she has taught them. "Not all students learn the same," Paczkowski said. "[But I] set high expectations, [and] students will rise to the occasion. If you don't have an expectation, your students don't have any place to go upward."

Kaylee Stokka

Above: On Monday, May 18th, English teacher Candice Paczkowski was awarded with the Educators of Excellence award given by WDAY. The award is given to six people within the Fargo-Moorhead Area, with Paczkowski being nominated by one of her former students. Photo Submitted by Jeremy Murphy.

Left to right: Senior Taylor Laufenberg plays the guitar during the guitar concert. Guitar II students were given the opportunity to play other instruments than the acoustic guitar, including drums, bass, and electric guitar. Photo by Kaylee Stokka. Senior Chase Williams plays a solo while playing guitar during the rest of the guitar concert. He held on "while the guitar group played along with him. Photo by Kaylee Stokka. Senior Chase Williams and other guitar members play the song "Lips of an Angel" during their guitar concert. They played a total of five songs. The new band were Lips of an



Left to right: Junior Cody Hays plots up mustard for his hot dog during Building Trades, Building Trades and Rec Engines had a barbecue for the end of the year. Photo by Kaylee Stokka. Senior Ryan Stokka celebrates while making it around the bases. Photo by Breana Orlando. Senior Matthew Hewitt pitches the baseball to the opposing player during one of their last baseball games for the school year. Photo by Breana Orlando. Junior Shanna Klus throws the tool while playing a game during the barbecue for Building Trades and Rec Engines. To score points for the game students had to throw the tool into the tire. Whoever scored the most points won. Photo by Kaylee Stokka. Senior Garrett Thompson talks to his classmates during the Recreational Engines and Building Trades barbecue. Photo by Kaylee Stokka.

## How Teachers Prepare for Finals



"I got the idea of using Kahoot! from Mrs. Duffy. The website lets teachers create a quiz on the subject matter they want to review with students. Students are able to use their electronics to participate. For students it is an engaging way for them to review material since they compete against their classmates for the top ranking based on correct answers and how quickly they answer the question."  
-Mrs. Balezore



"This beautiful game is called 'Grudgeball.' Each team starts with 10 points. If they answer the review question correctly, they may 1) add 1 point to their score, 2) take 2 points from other team(s), or 3) attempt a Grudgeball shot to double the reward. The Grudgeball shot involves bouncing a racquetball off various objects and into a recycle bin. The team with the most points at the end of the period wins."  
-Mr. Rudebusch

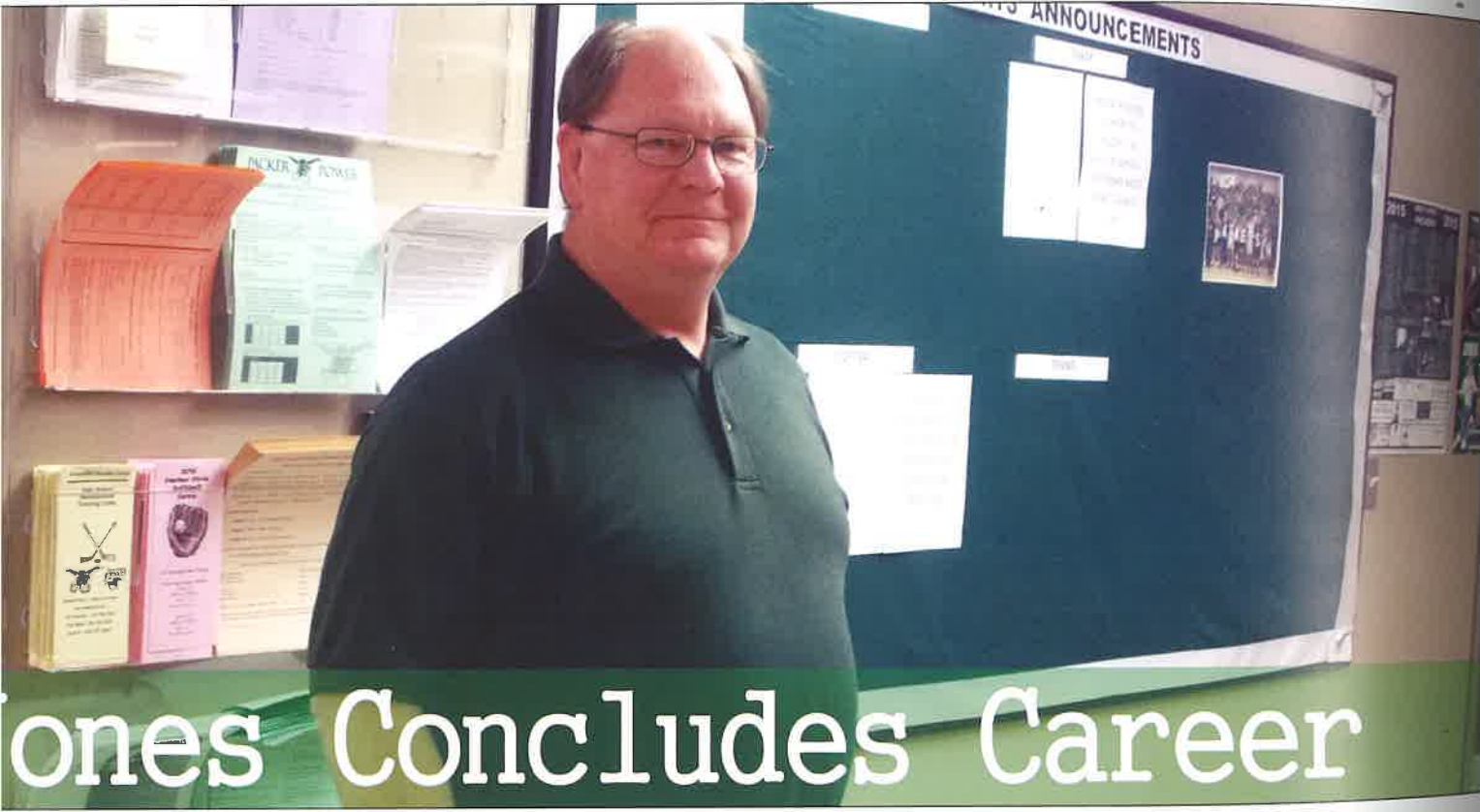


"For finals I have a study session that will have the general idea of what's on the test. I also put it online so students that can't make it are able to watch it. They get extra credit from listening and I think it helps motivate students to do it and it helps them on the tests."  
-Mr. Stocomb



Left to right: Seniors Logan Holmes and Joseph Pich sit and talk while waiting for pancakes. Special education teacher Holly Leistikow made pancakes for the last week of school before finals. Photo by Erin Dalgnaert. Seniors Michael Huff stars off during the HeLa museum. His part of the HeLa Museum was on human experimentation. He was dressed as someone being experimented on. Photo by Karly Randash. Holly Leistikow makes pancakes for her English class. This was a part of the end of the year celebration for her class. Photo by Erin Dalgnaert. Seniors Maxwell Adams and Tanner Schmid pose for a picture during the HeLa museum visit. Photo by Karly Randash. Bottom right: Seniors Brooke Hanson and Jayda Fiesche meet up with others during an FCCLA meeting. This was one of the last meetings for the school year. Photo by Eli Hatcheski. Seniors Emma Greenmach shows how to give CPR to a fake baby. The health careers class held a fair that gave information about different things they have learned over the semester. They had information about systems in the body and how each can affect people's bodies. Photo by Becca Livermont.

From left to right: Athletics Director Curt Jones, Jay DeCann, and Natalie Zupan. Photo by Natalie Zupan.

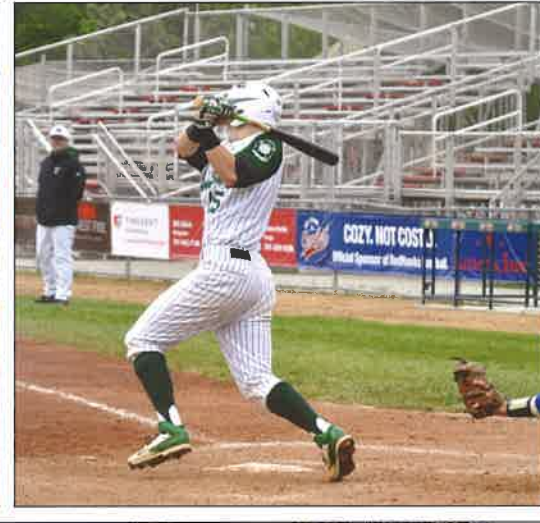
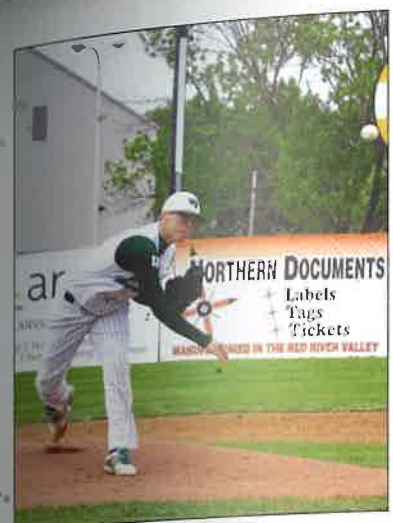


# Jones Concludes Career

By the end of the school year, Athletics Director Curt Jones will be walking out the doors for the last time, retiring after 26 years of service. But as Jones departs to retirement, West Fargo High can look forward to the new Director Jay DeCann. DeCann is coming from Little Falls, MN, and is very anxious to step up in the legacy left by Jones. "To replace a legend like Curt Jones, it leaves some pretty big shoes to fill," DeCann said. "I think that Mr. Jones has left quite a legacy there, and it will be hard to try to uphold that." Jones' work was spent teaching staff and students that sports are not just about winning, but that there are many lessons to be learned from athletics. Jones mentioned that he was determined to make West Fargo High a better school by building a reputation not only in the North Dakota region, but all around. "One of my main goals when I started working here was to bring that [staff and students] didn't base success out from a scoreboard," Jones said. "But that's based on how well kids get along, and that they build relationships with each other for as long as they can do." He was determined to make West Fargo High a better school

in the North Dakota region, but all around the tri-state area. "I have always known about West Fargo; it has such a good reputation," DeCann said. "It's growing with great coaches, has always had a lot of support, and is just a very respected school." Jones mentioned that with the way technology is moving, it will help the athletics branch to bring in a professional who specializes in the modern technology. This is why the school is bringing in DeCann to take the position. "When I started working here, everything was set on typewriters," Jones said. "Obviously, that is not the way things are now. We use technology and computers in most aspects here in the activities office, which is why we need someone like [DeCann]." Activities Administrative Assistant Tonya Vetter said it will be tough for the athletics office to lose Jones, but it DeCann will step up just fine. "It's sad to see [Jones] leave," Vetter said. "Of course, things must change in order to progress, so I think DeCann will do a good job in his place." Anthony Peralta

Planning for a picture, athletic director Curt Jones stands in his office. He said he was determined to make West Fargo High a better school by building a sports system that has a reputation not only recognized in the North



From left to right: Senior Ben Strahm pitches the ball to his opponents while playing at Newman Outdoor Field. Strahm was named the team's Most Valuable Player for the 2015 season. Photo by Breana Orlando. Hitting the ball, senior Marcus Wohl starts off for first base. Luckily, Gooding made it home to score the team a run. Photo by Breana Orlando. Senior Chase Gooding starts off for first base. Luckily, Gooding made it home to score the team a run. Photo by Breana Orlando. Senior Chase Gooding starts off for first base. Luckily, Gooding made it home to score the team a run. Photo by Breana Orlando. Senior Chase Gooding starts off for first base. Luckily, Gooding made it home to score the team a run. Photo by Breana Orlando.



## Thoughts About Finals



I think finals are good because then you will know how well you know the subject, but they should have people who have A's both quarters take

Morgen Petersen, 12



It sucked I hated every second of it but at least I passed

Caden Wyse, 10



Idk the finals were kinda hard and sucked but i made it through and passed

Chloe Bates, 10

## Rewarding Safe Drivers



"I thought it was a great idea. It encouraged us to wear our seatbelts and to be safe while driving. Seatbelts help save lives and simply putting on a seatbelt is something people forget. The idea of rewarding those wearing a seatbelt reminding us that it is something that we need to do."

Lindsey Bunkowala, 10



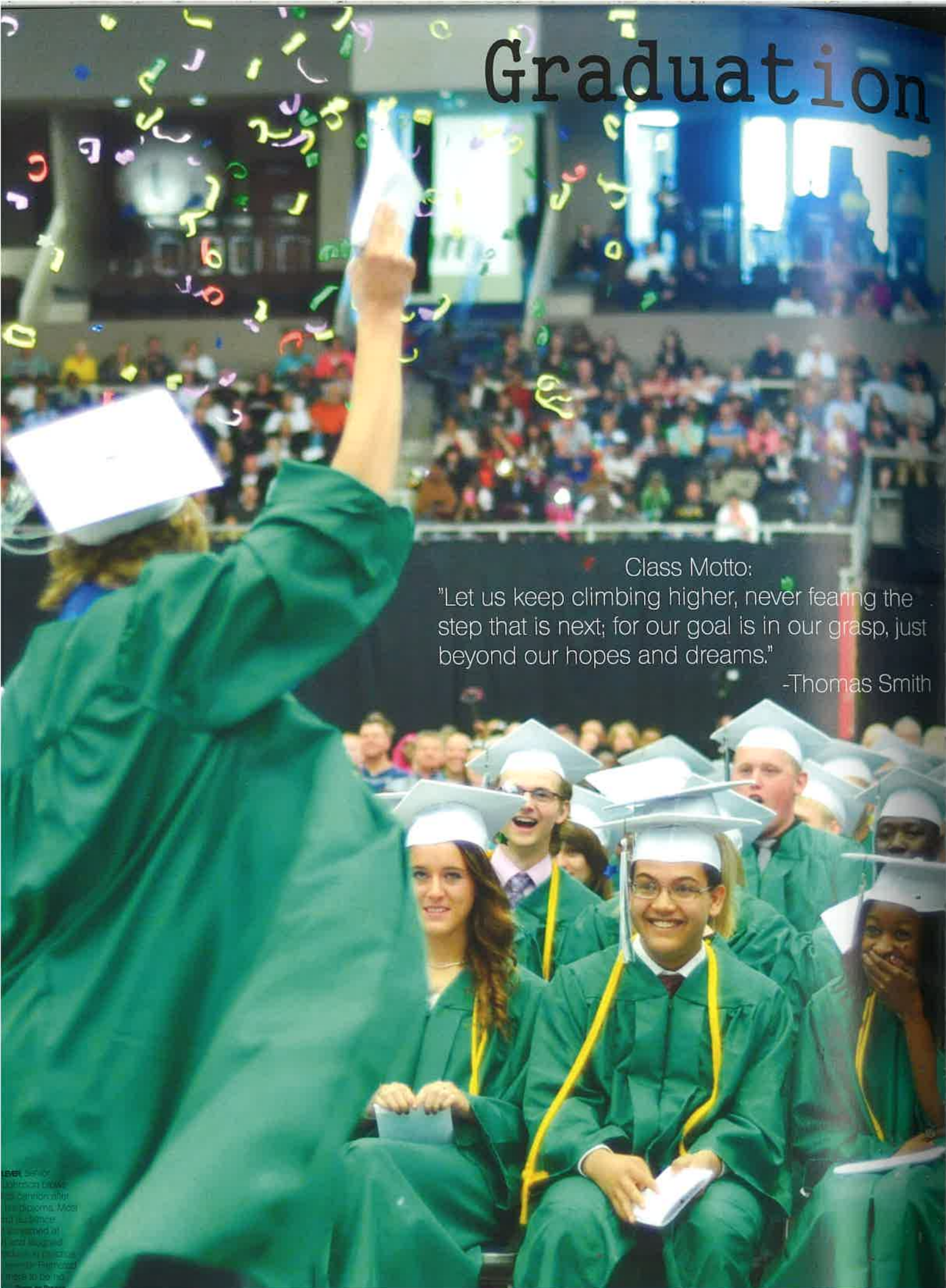
"I was happy because I didn't have lunch money that day and got to go out to eat!"

Destiny Valdez, 10



From left to right: Nolan Becker and Ally Carson go through the breakfast line for Pacifier pancakes the first day of finals. Photo by Natalie Zupan. Teachers Amy Anderson, Lulie Dykema, and Brita Bostad help in the breakfast line as students get Pacifier pancakes on the first morning of finals week. Photo by Natalie Zupan. Morgan Haley eats the Pacifier pancakes that the kitchen staff made to start off finals week. More than 200 students attended Pacifier pancakes during finals week. Photo by Eli Ratcheski.

# Graduation



Class Motto:  
 "Let us keep climbing higher, never fearing the  
 step that is next; for our goal is in our grasp, just  
 beyond our hopes and dreams."

-Thomas Smith

## What's next?

- 80% plan to attend college
- 10% plan to work for a year
- 5% plan to never go to college



"Getting to spend graduation with all of our classmates one last time before we all go our separate ways made the entire day for me."  
 -Suzanne Dullum

From left to right: WFHS Graduate Alyssa Smith gave away fudge cups with a thank you for coming note for her graduation party guests. Smith displays her senior picture on the lid. Photo submitted by Alyssa Smith. WFHS Graduate Mia Schuster shows off her childhood photos at her graduation party. Schuster had a color scheme of blue and orange and had flowers throughout the building. Photo submitted by Mia Schuster. WFHS Graduate Shalini Sakhamuri poses in a selfie with friends at her surprise graduation party. The party was planned by her mother and friends. Photo submitted by Shalini Sakhamuri. WFHS Graduates Jayda Flesche, Brittany Nathan, and Casey Jonson talk to Ben Ocker at his graduation party. Photo submitted by Ben Ocker.



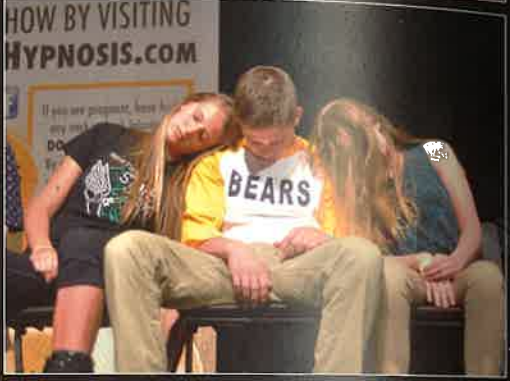
From left to right: At the graduation ceremony, administrators set up 2015 in flowers. Diplomas were lined out in order so seniors could receive them right away. Photo by Sierra Balster. Holding mallets, senior Wyatt Torvik concentrates on his sheet music at graduation ceremony on Sunday, May 31st. The band played the song Pinball Wizard. Photo by Sierra Balster. Alphabetically seated, the front row of seniors excitedly talk amongst their fellow graduates. There were 470 graduates in the 2015 senior class. Photo by Sierra Balster. Walking on the stage, graduate Emily Chadwick smiles as she receives her diploma. The ceremony took place at the Scheels Arena. Photo by Sierra Balster.



EVERY  
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seniors Andrew Heide, Cory Beckwith, and Ben Strahm slump over onto each other after being hypnotized by the hypnotist. They both use Marcus Wohl as support as they sleep. Photo By Breana Orlando. that the hypnotist had no clothes on. Photo By Breana Orlando. senior Brady Heath flinches away from the sight of the hypnotist bearing a magnetic plate in her forehead and metal on the tip of a "Sleep gun." She attempts to stop the gun from getting stuck in her forehead. Photo By Breana Orlando. is nine months pregnant. Photo By Breana Orlando. to have contractions. Photo By Breana Orlando.



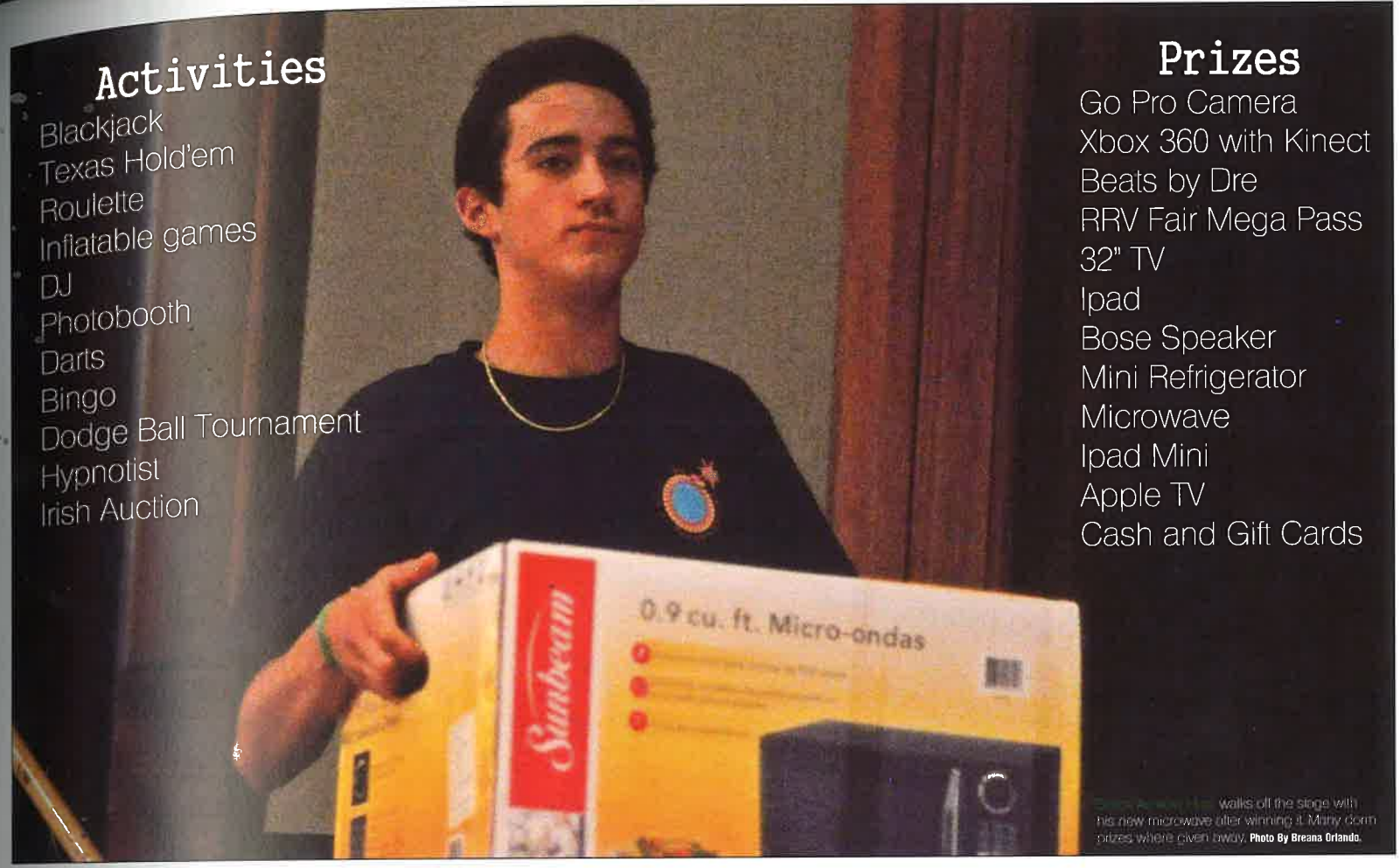
Post Graduation

## Activities

- Blackjack
- Texas Hold'em
- Roulette
- Inflatable games
- DJ
- Photobooth
- Darts
- Bingo
- Dodge Ball Tournament
- Hypnotist
- Irish Auction

## Prizes

- Go Pro Camera
- Xbox 360 with Kinect
- Beats by Dre
- RRV Fair Mega Pass
- 32" TV
- Ipad
- Bose Speaker
- Mini Refrigerator
- Microwave
- Ipad Mini
- Apple TV
- Cash and Gift Cards



Senior Andrew Wohl walks off the stage with his new microwave after winning a prize during the Irish Auction. Photo By Breana Orlando.

## What was the best part about post graduation?



By far the hypnotist. It was hilarious watching my friends doing those crazy things." Drew Conzemius, 12



"Watching dodgeball was probably the best part." Marcus Wohl, 12



"Getting hypnotized and seeing everyone together one last time."



Seniors Adam Ibb and Carter Hall listen in to the dealer explain how to play Blackjack. Multiple tables were set up with Blackjack and Texas Hold'em. Photo By Breana Orlando. WHILE WALKING OFF the side of the mechanical bull, senior Irene Astran attempts to grab back on. Photo By Breana Orlando. PREPARING to throw the ball junior Andrew Johnson runs to the half court line to get a better shot at his opponents. His team won the round.



# Spring Sports

## Girls Track & Field

Dash- 7th Place  
 Hard (12) 12:41  
 Relay- 6th Place  
 Heinen (12) 26:72  
 400m Dash  
 (11) 26:43  
 800m Dash  
 (09) 28:35  
 Hard (12) 25:32  
 1600m Dash  
 5th Place  
 (10) 5:12:73  
 Relay  
 Heinen (12) 12:69  
 400m Dash  
 (11) 13:97  
 800m Dash  
 (12) 11:53  
 Hard (12) 12:24  
 Hurdles  
 Kennedy Sand (11) 15:38  
 Waite (12) 16:08

Girls 200m Dash  
 7th Place- Gift Ben-Bernard (12) 25:70  
 Girls 3200m  
 6th Place- Jennifer Dufner (10) 11:20:58  
 Girls High Jump  
 3rd Place- Izzy Waite (12) 5-03.00  
 3rd Place- Tiana Plaf (09) 17-04.00  
 Girls Shot Put  
 1st Place- Akealy Moton (10) 47-02.00  
 Girls Discus  
 3rd Place- Keely Walker (11) 125-03.00  
 4th Place- Akealy Moton (10) 125-03.00  
 Girls Javelin  
 1st Place- Akealy Moton (10) 142-08.00 43.48m  
 4th Place- Izzy Waite (12) 123-04.00 37.59m  
 5th Place in state with 80 points  
 8th Place in state with 32 points

## Boys Track & Field

4x100m Relay- 7th Place  
 44.53 Isaiah Helland-Davis (12) 10.78 Austin Sullivan (12) 11.29  
 Tanner McKinnon (12) 11.32 Dante Genova (11) 11.19  
 400m Dash  
 5th Place- Dante Genova 50.77  
 4x400m Relay- 6th Place  
 3:29.97 Dante Genova (11) 51.29 Jacob Levin (09) 52.68  
 Weston Schatz (10) 53.40 Austin Sullivan (12) 52.60  
 Boys High Jump  
 6th Place- Brandon Johnson (12) 6-02.00 1.68m  
 Boys Long Jump  
 5th Place- Tyler Walsvik (12) 20-09.25 6.33m  
 Boys Shot Put  
 2nd Place- Alex Talley 57-05.00 17.50m  
 Boys Javelin  
 2nd Place- Tanner McKinnon (12) 175-04.00 53.44m



## Baseball

3/27- West Fargo 3, St. Mary's Central 2  
 - West Fargo 3, St. Mary's Central 2  
 3/28- West Fargo 14, Bismarck Century 5  
 - West Fargo 5, Bismarck Century 4  
 3/31- West Fargo 4, Wahpeton 0  
 - West Fargo 3, Wahpeton 1  
 4/11- West Fargo 9, GF Red River 3  
 4/14- West Fargo 5, Fargo Shanley 4  
 4/17- West Fargo 2, Fargo North 0  
 4/18- West Fargo 2, Lac qui Parle Valley 0  
 - West Fargo 2, Parshall 1  
 4/24- West Fargo 16, Wahpeton 0  
 4/25- West Fargo 11, Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton 1  
 4/28- West Fargo 6, Valley City 0  
 - West Fargo 13, Valley City 2

5/1- West Fargo 5, Devils Lake 0  
 - West Fargo 11, Devils Lake 1  
 5/5- West Fargo 5, Fargo North 2  
 5/8- GF Central 2, West Fargo 0  
 - West Fargo 12, GF Central 6  
 5/21- West Fargo 5, Wahpeton 0  
 5/22- West Fargo 2, Fargo North 1  
 5/23- West Fargo 4, GF Red River 2  
 5/28- State Tournament Quarterfinals  
 West Fargo 9, Jamestown 1  
 5/29- State Tournament Semifinals  
 Mandan 2, West Fargo 1  
 5/30- State Tournament 3rd Place  
 West Fargo 11, GF Red River 1



Pitching the ball, senior Matthew Hewitt tries pitching fast enough to strike out his opponents. Photo by Breana Orlando. Waiting at home, base junior Tyler Fitz goes to give senior Tony Nichols a high five. Photo by Breana Orlando.

## Girls Soccer

4/10- West Fargo 4, Bis. Legacy 0  
 4/10- West Fargo 0, Bis. St. Mary's 0  
 4/14- West Fargo 2, Fargo South 0  
 4/16- West Fargo 1, GF Central 0  
 4/23- Fargo Davies 1, West Fargo 0  
 4/24- West Fargo 1, Bismarck High 0  
 4/24- West Fargo 0, Bis. Century 0  
 4/28- West Fargo 1, Fargo North 0  
 4/30- Fargo Shanley 1, West Fargo 0  
 5/7- West Fargo 3, Fargo South 0  
 5/9- Jamestown 3, West Fargo 0  
 5/9- Minot High 4, West Fargo 2  
 5/12- GF Central 1, West Fargo 0  
 5/14- West Fargo 3, GF Red River 0

5/16- West Fargo 1, Fargo Shanley 1  
 5/19- Fargo Davies 4, West Fargo 1  
 5/21- Fargo North 2, West Fargo 1  
 5/23- West Fargo 2, GF Red River 1  
 5/28- State Tourney Quarterfinals  
 West Fargo 2 (2-0 SC), Bismarck Century 2  
 5/29- State Tourney Semi Finals  
 Bismarck High 1, West Fargo 0 (Overtime)  
 5/30- State Tourney Third Place  
 West Fargo 2, Bismarck St. Mary's 1



Soaring for the ball, junior Sydney Kramer prepares to bring it down the field to the rest of her teammates. Photo by Elizabeth Hatcheski.

Leader in goals: Madison Urlaub  
 Leader in assists: Alison Enno

## Boys Golf

Player	Grade	Player Rank	Scoring Average	# of Meets
Hunter Moen	10	1	80.2	15
Draw Conzemius	12	2	80.5	10
Cole Johnson	10	3	81.5	15
Brandon Olson	10	4	81.7	12
Matt Albright	10	5	82.1	14
Christian Olen	11	6	83.3	9
Tanner Wilson	12	7	85.5	4
Derrick Morris	11	8	85.5	4
Isaac Storman	9	9	86.0	2
Jackson Warner	8	10	90.5	2
Brandon Klug	12	11	92.0	2
Riley Brandvold	10	12	101.0	1



While waiting on senior Drew Conzemius watches to see where his ball lands. Photo by Ashley Dew. Sophomore Cole Johnson drives his ball down the fairway. Photo by Ashley Dew.

## Softball

3/31- West Fargo 12, Bemidji 0  
 - West Fargo 10, Bemidji 0  
 4/2- West Fargo 11, Valley City 0  
 4/9- West Fargo 6, GF Red River 3  
 - West Fargo 18, GF Red River 0  
 4/10- West Fargo 16, Watertown 2  
 4/14- West Fargo 12, Fargo Davies 6  
 - West Fargo 16, Fargo Davies 4  
 4/16- West Fargo 15, Hawley 1  
 4/17- West Fargo 10, Fargo South 0  
 - West Fargo 10, Fargo South 0  
 4/24- West Fargo 5, Burnsville 1  
 4/25- West Fargo 5, Burnsville 1  
 -Eagan 7, West Fargo 5  
 -Eagan 6, West Fargo 5  
 4/28- West Fargo 1, Fargo North 0

5/1- West Fargo 10, Devils Lake 0  
 - West Fargo 12, Devils Lake 0  
 5/5- West Fargo 6, Valley City 0  
 - West Fargo 11, Valley City 1  
 5/7- West Fargo 8, Fargo Shanley 0  
 5/8- West Fargo 12, Fargo North 2  
 5/12- West Fargo 10, GF Central 0  
 - West Fargo 19, GF Central 3  
 5/15- West Fargo 10, Fargo North 0  
 5/16- West Fargo 10, Warroad 0  
 -Perham 6, West Fargo 5  
 5/21- West Fargo 7, Fargo South 1  
 5/22- West Fargo 8, Shanley 0  
 5/23- West Fargo 10, Valley City 0  
 5/28- State Quarterfinals- West Fargo 7, Bismarck 2  
 5/29- State Semifinals- West Fargo 2, Minot Bishop Ryan 0  
 5/30- State Championship- West Fargo 13, Dickinson 0



Sophomore Riley Uetzel pitches the ball against his opponent, the Shanley Devils. Photo by Ashley Dew. Up to bat sophomore Morgan Gelsler watches the pitcher to make contact. Photo by Breana Orlando.

## Girls Tennis

4/11- Fargo Shanley, West Fargo 0  
 4/14- Fargo South, West Fargo 2  
 4/16- West Fargo 8, GF Central 1  
 4/23- Valley City 8, West Fargo 1  
 4/24- Mandan 9, West Fargo 0  
 4/25- Mandan 9, West Fargo 0





# Senior Class 2015

A large banner at the bottom of the page contains the names of the senior class members, written in various styles of handwriting. The names are densely packed and cover the entire width of the page. Some names are more prominent than others, such as "Blinski", "Maddie", "Danielle", and "Emily". The banner is a mix of cursive and print styles, reflecting the individual personalities of the students.

are all  
connected

se we  
undivided,  
ior class  
s how we  
intertwined  
er from our  
ntil now.



**Bailey Aanenson**



**Hamdi Abdi**



**Khalid Abdi**

threw an ice cream cone at  
Abdi Raham Jama.



**Christa Adamson**

spring break 2k15 with Alyssa  
Lewis and Ellen Carnik.



**Neeraj Advani**



**Logan Ahern**

was asked how to find their  
second grade classroom by  
Zach Burtfield.



**An Ahmed**



**Shahed Al Zenad**

sang out songs in Arabic and  
laughed with Zheer Kakeyi.



**Jessica Alexander**



**Halimo Ali**



**Sheridan Amb**



**Steven Amerman**

on the same building team with  
Grant Schaefer.



**Cole Amundson**



**Paige Andel**

hooked Hanesy  
hand in between  
and put a popsicle



**Tristan Anderson**

was destroyed in a game of  
soccer against Matt Zent



**Hanna Anstadt**



**NaTya Arndt**

successfully went Trick-or-  
Canning for Key Club with  
Tom Tran



**Alex Arzt**

drank a lot of lattes with Alex  
Burton



**Daniel Asp**

got kicked off the bus in  
seventh grade with Derek  
Schreiner



**Irene Astran**

dropped a mixtape with Toby  
Kindem



**Layla Bakir**

friends since sev-  
th grade and wouldn't trade  
world with Holly



**Brady Ballweber**

swam in the same swim relay  
in third grade with Carson  
Keller



**Amir Basnet**



**Jaiden Batsch**

installed subs into his car with  
Brandon Smedshammer



**Carly Bauer**



**Anna Baumgartner**

got my shoes tied every day in  
kindergarten by Carley Rowed



**Jessica Baumgartner**



**Amer Bektas**

became close friends  
sophomore year when getting  
yelled at by Mr. Amundson with  
Zach Burtfield.



**Holly Bellnskey**

been best friends since sev-  
enth grade and it's been quite  
the adventure to this day with  
Leyla Bakir.



**Andrea Bellet**



**Gift Ben-Bernard**

wouldn't have done track if it  
wasn't for Mandi Rakoczy



**Ivy Berogan**



**Rridhiman Bezbaruah**



**Ryne Bigelow**

lost a basketball game by 50  
points with Jacob Hedonfield



**Kelsey Bishoff**

gave Peter the bunny to Isabel  
Waite



**Mathew Bjordahl**



**Kaitlin Blake**

has been best friends since  
kindergarten with Ariel  
Grossnickle



**Jessicca Bledsoe**

did a Cinderella poster in  
the fourth grade with Holly  
Bellnskey



**Philomina Bondo**



**Ashley Bonn**

performed Hakuna Matata for  
her eighth grade math class  
with Kelly Tran



**Austin Bonnema**



**Felicia Borslien**

was snuck into Junior Prom  
because I was not eligible by  
Byanna Sutton



**Andrew Boyer**



**Alexis Braaten**

drove to Noodles and Compa-  
ny and made it back to school  
with McKayla Campagna



**Seila Brkic**

met Karly Randash in sixth  
grade and it's been one great  
adventure to this day



**Lindsay Brower**

went to Disney Land with  
Makayla Henricks



**Scott Brown**

always making inappropriate  
comments with Yesenia  
DeLeon



**Colten Brunette**



**Skyler Bubka**



**Carson Bunn**



**Tanner Burg**



**Sheridan Burns**

changed clothes while standing  
on a toilet in seventh grade with  
Cassidy Olson



**Alex Burton**



**Zachary Burtfield**

played soccer my entire life  
with Andrew Sather



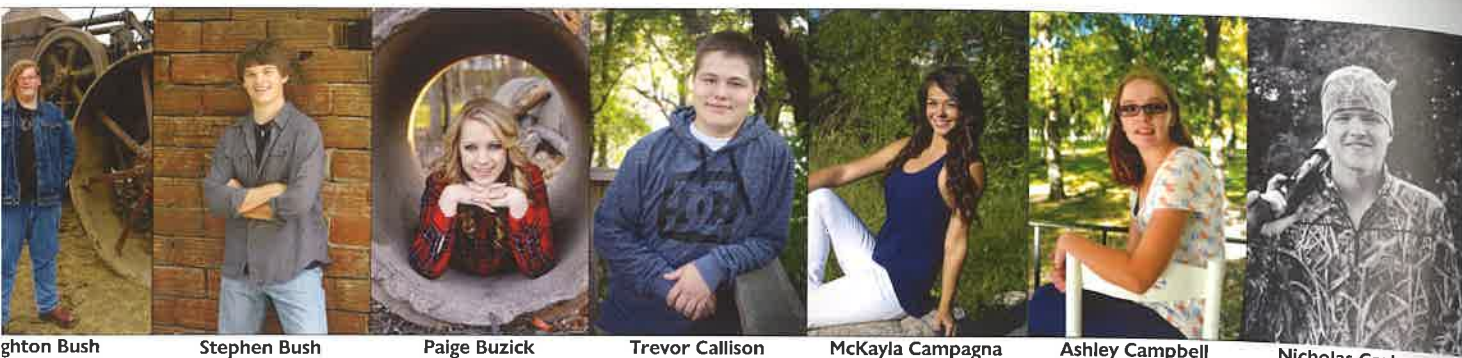
**Ryan Busche**

playfully bickered using sarcasm  
with Jonah Slean

right: SENIORS KARA KLEIN,  
ROSEKRAUS HAND OUT  
THE WEST FEST PARADE.  
THIS YEAR OF HANDING OUT  
THE WEST FARGO PACKERS  
PHOTO BY SIERRA BELZER. SENIORS  
PARTICIPATED IN STUDENT  
COUNCIL SUBMITTED BY MITCHELL SMITH.  
ROSEKRAUS, SAMANTHA HEINEN,  
RYNE BIGELOW, AUSTIN BONNEMA,  
AND TYLER THOMPSON ALL  
WENT TO THE WINTER FORMAL DANCE.  
THE PLACE AT THE WEST FARGO  
PHOTO BY LOGAN AHERN. SENIORS  
LUCAS MCKENZIE VAN HOORN,



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: SENIOR SARA  
COCKERT ENJOYS SPENDING HIS TIME  
BULL RIDING. THIS BULL RIDE TOOK  
PLACE IN VELVA, ND FOR THE NORTH  
DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL RODEO  
ASSOCIATION. PHOTO SUBMITTED BY SAM  
COCKERT. SENIORS KATELYN JOHNSON  
AND HANNA DIOH LIKE TO MAKE  
SNAPCHAT STORIES TOGETHER DURING  
LUNCH. PHOTO SUBMITTED BY LOGAN AHERN.



**Stephen Bush** built the best cardboard boat with Derek Schriener

**Paige Buzick** learned the true meaning of dirt nights with Savannah Johnson

**Trevor Callison** played catch with a football every day for lunch with Ryan Cornette

**McKayla Campagna** had doors opened for her by Cody Lien

**Ashley Campbell**

**Nicholas Carlson**



**Emma Cartony**

**Ellen Cernik**

**Emily Chadwick** created West Fargo's first literary magazine with Logan Ahern

**Tessa Chambers**

**Austin Chase** spent the whole weekend watching cartoons on a bus ride to Bismarck for swimming with Matt Montclair

**Hoang Che**

**Nabina Chhetri** enjoyed dancing in New Neighbor Night with Srijana Lemitare



**Tyler Clark**

**Sierrah Clements**

**Alex Clifton**

**Cheyenne Cole** shared her 80s birthday party in middle school with Kary Randesh

**Bryce Conklin**

**Ryan Cornette**



**Adam Cripe**

**Keegan Cronin**

**Taylor Dahl**

**Joshua Dalbol**

**Talia Dalzell**

**Bryce Danielson**



right: Seniors received a love Innovation Hour. Photo by Logan Ahern.

Ben Holland of bean bags tailgating. For the wore team players support their fellow Photo by Sierra

Clara Zach Burstfield JHS meeting to Photo by Sierra



**Zane Davis**

**Emily Davison**

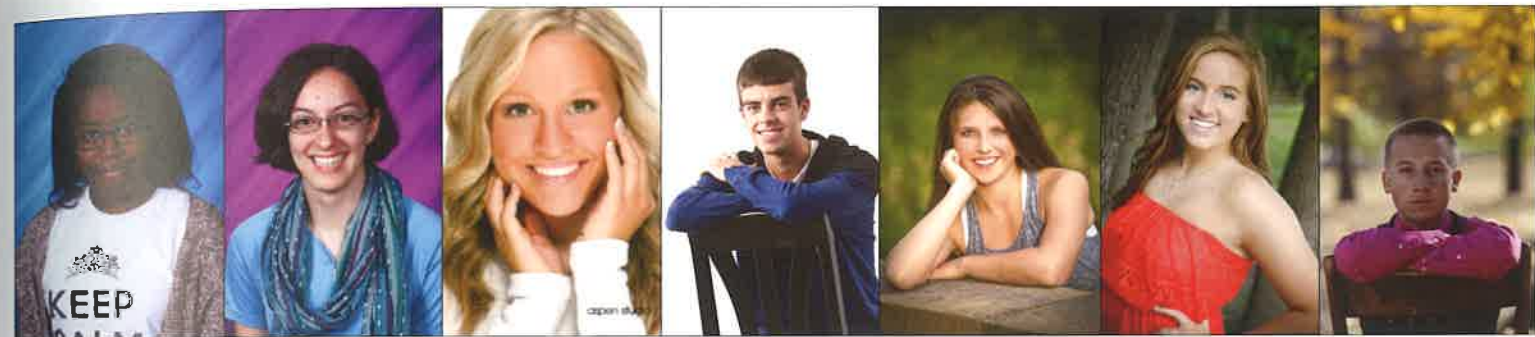
**Eric Davison** played Playstation once with Robby Ell

**Yesenia DeLeon** went to a second grade birthday party and put silly puddy in Shelby William's hair

**Ashley Dew** froze to death while exploring the depths of French speaking Canada with Bailey Pederson

**Alecia Diede**

**Janielle Dillard** went to the cities with Emily and Stacy Ploom



**Arimeta Diop** punched Jessica Qun in the face once, she digged it

**Emily Dockter** went camping in seventh grade with Cynthia Vistad

**Danielle Dube** endured the wrath of a jet ski ride by Talia Dalzell

**Matthew Dufner**

**Suzanna Dullum** went to all the sporting events with Leyla Bakir

**Mia Duncan** shoveled a snow fort in sixth grade and my shovel knocked out Brandi Flieland

**Dalton Dunford**



**Brady Durbin**

**Tristan Eider**

**Ashley Eisenbeiz**

**Cody Eisenbeiz** showed "skills" in second grade with to Alexis Young

**Ajdin Ekic** went to Disney Land with Almir Ekic

**Robert Ell**

**Marisa Enderson** traveling to France and exploring the unknown with Taylor Lemieux



**Morgan Enderson** met in elementary school with Kayla Walker

**Christaian Engum**

**Allison Enno**

**Jacob Erickstad** skated everyday after school with Carson Keller

**Delany Faiman** met playing traveling basketball in fourth grade with Nelsy Biehoff

**Jacob Faltersack**

**Keyan Farahmand**



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: Seniors Ashley Eisenbeiz, Lindsay Newenhouse, and Alexis Young gather for a group picture after a pep rally. The Powderpuff game between the seniors and juniors took place after the pep rally. Photo submitted by Lindsay Newenhouse.

Seniors Keyan Farahmand takes second place with a time of 1522 seconds, in Verndale, MN. "It was a fun run and a good way to start the year! So proud of Mr. HJ Hex," she said. Mr. HJ Hex is the name of her horse. Photo submitted by Kayli Shriestrom.



**Brianna Faul** is getting her jazz band pler in ninth grade by user  
**Makayla Ferguson** fell in the river fishing with Taylor Rusch  
**Andrew Fischer** hated him in kindergarten, but then became best friends with Zachary Mohs  
**Brandi Fladland** closest thing I've had to a sister is Mia Duncan  
**Kelsey Flanery** had her birthday candles always blown out by Mikayla Heupel  
**Jayda Flesche** spent the summers at the lake with Brooke Hansey  
**Alyssa Flom** popcorned with Alyssa Lewis



**Acee French** AP English with Abbi  
**Seth Fretheim** is a good friend with Weston Dabler  
**Hannah Frisco** wrapped Christmas presents for ten hours straight at the mall through NHS with Jessica Qian  
**Ian Friswold** had some interesting times with Michael Gores  
**Destiny Fuka** went Prom shopping with Joanna Thorstenson  
**Blake Gasal** killed geese with Alex Huber  
**Natasha Gatheridge** became best friends senior year with Chayenne Cole



**Reed Gleason**  
**Maria Gonzalez**  
**Chase Gooding**  
**Michael Gores**  
**Caitlyn Gourde**  
**Madison Gourde** became "battle buddies" in the guard with best friend, Andrea Wageman  
**Olivia Gravel** took a trip to Arkansas in seventh grade and slept on Stephanie Krogen on the bus



**Brandon Graves** became best friends on October 16, 2009 with Madeline Schatz  
**Ashley Greenlund** rolled his ankle playing dodge ball in eighth grade with Jake Telander  
**Leo Grochow** says "Hi" in the hallway every day with Courtney Sorlien  
**Amanda Gross**  
**Ariel Grossnickle**  
**Danielle Haekenkamp** moved in eighth grade and was promised to be escorted, but was ditched by Shelby Wilhelm  
**Evan Hager** put bags of flour for senior proposal in the locker of Amber Young Ripplinger



CHRISTIAN BINGHAM AND Conrad Kranz while Hallelujah! Photo by ALICIA DEER AND Fairman blow up baking National Honor Spooktacular. Photo by LAUREN HOLSTROM, Kyrre and Britany dissect a sheep brain. Photo by Ashley Dew. DOBERT AND Morgan by Bean Bag Toss jating before a foot- Photo by Logan Ahern



**Abdi Hajir**  
**Carter Hall** had all his chips eaten by Bailey Zander  
**Austin Hannig**  
**Brooke Hansey** went to Texas sophomore year with Jayda Flesche  
**Alexis Hanson**  
**Tristan Hayes**  
**Brady Heath** always played pool at Billiards with Jacob Koskay and Zach Melroe



**Brandon Heiden** went muding and had to push his truck out of the mud with Brody Dahl  
**Nicole Heinen** got confirmed with Ben Strahm  
**Samantha Heinen**  
**Martha Heinrich**  
**Anthony Heise** says "my momma knows your momma" to Tanner Sande  
**Andrew Heisler**  
**Brady Heisler**



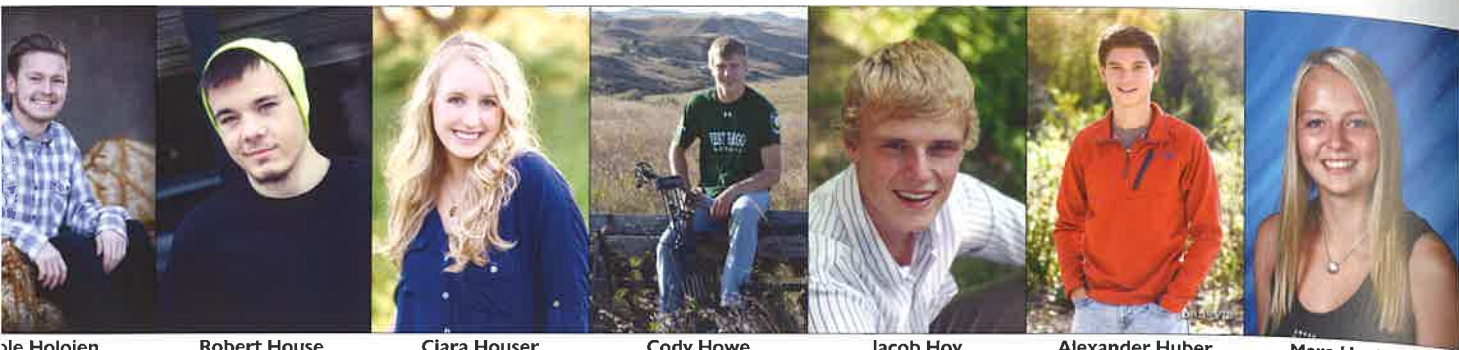
**Matthew Heitmann**  
**Ceirra Heley**  
**Logan Helm** used to go to daycare and played "house" with Brooke Hansey  
**Makayla Henricks** met on the fourth grade swim team with Cora Riehl  
**Abigail Hesse** cried at Johnny Rockets in Nashville with Marisa Pacella  
**Mikayla Heupel**  
**Matthew Hewitt** played baseball since middle school with Ryne Bigelow



**Dolar Hirsi**  
**Jacob Hodenfield** played seventh grade basketball with Cody Klemmer  
**Hannah Hoeger**  
**Benjamin Holland** ran a 5K with Tyler Thompson  
**Ciera Holland**  
**Logan Holmes**  
**Landon Holmstrom** learned how to be fashionable with Nat'ya Arnd



From left to right: Mandi Rakoczy, Anna Baumgartner, Hailey Hugelen, Cora Riehl, Makayla Henricks, Gift Ben-Bernard, and Carley Portvedt pose for a photo while talking before the Homecoming football game. Photo submitted by Cora Riehl. From left to right: Row 1: Nicole Heinen, Madeline Schatz, Bryce Langerud, Leyla Bakir, Aracely Rodriguez, Madison Nelson. Row 2: Tara Peters, Kennedy Kraft, Alexandra Lebahn, Alyssa Smith, and Lindsay Newsenhouse take a group photo during a football game. The theme for the



**Ale Holoin** and down a flight of Marshal Sister  
**Robert House** started playing garbage cans in an ensemble in eighth grade with Ashley Daw  
**Clara Houser** is going into the Marines with David Pringle  
**Cody Howe** always blown out by Mikayla Heupel  
**Jacob Hoy** had his birthday candles always blown out by Mikayla Heupel  
**Alexander Huber**  
**Mara Huetzen**



**Riley Huffman** grew up throughout the school years with Brianna Faul  
**Haley Hugelan** went to Kindred with best friend Katelyn Johnson  
**Raleigh Hulbert**  
**Brittany Hurley**  
**Noor Hussein**  
**Adam Idso** the one I couldn't beat in tetherball in second grade was Marcus Wohl  
**Gisele Ishmwe** had a wonderful first dance with Jacques Ngengetere



**Dan Iverson** hunts with Adrian Torado  
**Race Jacobson**  
**Abdirahman Jama**  
**Brett James**  
**Camilla Janet**  
**Logan Jaskowiak**  
**Dalton Jensen**



**Mutimana Jerome**  
**Brandon Johnson** rode the bus in elementary school to Kindred with Madison Miller  
**Katelyn Johnson**  
**Krista Johnson**  
**Casey Jonson** had a birthday party in seventh grade at Thunder Road with Logan Ahern  
**Suleiman Kadiye**  
**Zheer Kakayi** made faces across the room in English with Marcus Miller



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 ... Two students grade participated...  
 ... Photo by Breana...  
 ... vs UP dirt senior...  
 ... under slides into the...  
 ... ars beat DGF at...  
 ... game. Photo by Breana...  
 ... with the baton...  
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 ... Flom is running...  
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**Brenna Kearns**  
**Carson Keller**  
**Matthew Keller** went hiking with Andrew Fischer  
**Jordan Kinslow**  
**Cody Klemmer** won a basketball game against Isaiah Hellend-Davis  
**Brendan Klug**  
**Kari Kluth**



**Bethany Knain** went to the cities with Marlin Enderson  
**Jordan Knighten**  
**Dorothee Kom Petnkeu** met in French Club sophomore year and have been friends ever since with Ashley Daw  
**Jacob Koskey** tripped him then got into an argument and have been close friends ever since with Austin Ridgway  
**Kennedy Kraft** was picked up every day in Kindergarten by Marcus Wohl  
**Conrad Kranz** slayed channel catfish with Michael Gares  
**Stephanie Krogen** had her finger stapled to a box in seventh grade by Abbi Heise



**Jared Kroke**  
**Chan Kuchlong**  
**Tyler Lajeunesse** danced at the JROTC military ball with Felicia Borelien  
**Srijana Lamitare**  
**Zachary Lanus**  
**Zachary Larson**  
**Alexandra Lebahn** Leyla Bakir and Bryce Langerud played a prank and had Officer Balvik arrest me in Chemistry



**Kali Leiseth** went to Prom With Bailey Whitehead  
**Taylor Lemieux** has been best friends since fourth grade with Ashley Bonn  
**Alyssa Lewis**  
**Cody Lien** wore a Mario shirt in eighth grade and is now closest friends with Kylie Stalleen  
**Grant Lind** played hockey with Logan Ridder  
**Mackenzie Lindblad** best friends with Nick Lindblad  
**Kylee Lindbo**



**SENIOR DANIELLE DUBE**, Jessica Schatz, Talia Datzell, Ally Schwark and Isabel Waite pose in front of Nichole's Bakery after spending an evening downtown. Submitted photo.



**Anthony Linne**  
built an unsinkable boat with Jayda Zimmerman

**Adrien Lohman**  
met in ninth grade and has been best friends ever since with Megan Narog

**Shailey Lorenz**

**Hailey Ludlow**

**Haley Madsen**  
been tight since Pre-K with Irene Astran

**Buddhi Magar**  
ran into Khalid Ahmed in the hallway

**Brenden Mandt**



**Drew Mapes**

**Jared Marthe**

**Bryce Masset**

**Rachel Mastre**

**Elizabeth Mathias**  
our siblings dated so we became best friends in sixth grade with Kelsay Flanery

**Annie Mattern**  
rear ended Marisa Enderson the second day she had her licence in ninth grade.

**Jacob McClellan**



**A McGrady**

**Tanner McKinnon**

**Amanda Mears**  
went to the movie theater and watched Alison Enno run into a wall

**Brandon Mellgren**

**Kathleen Merkel**

**Chandler Mertz**

**Jaeden Metcalf**



**Andrea Milbrath**  
long partners with

**Madison Miller**  
had a legendary kiss during a show with Evan Heger

**Marcus Miller**

**Michael Miller**

**Tabitha Miller**  
paid in cheer curds and got her senior pictures done by Olivia Gravel

**Asma Mohammed**

**Ieman Mohammed**



**GREENING**  
the junior to make seniors win this game. Photo by **BRIAN BRET JAMES** ready to throw the it Skyzone. This the activities n of the Paige Bennett. Photo by **EMILY CHEEHLAUGERS** lead section in a cheer, a basketball by **Logan Abern**, **St** and Steven through grand

**Seniors Alex Pien** and **Alex Burton** are messing around on **Robot Eli's** bike. This was taken during the Recreation Engines class. Photo submitted by **Alex Burton**. **Seniors Nolan Heinen**, **Samantha Heinen**, **Jacob McClellan**, **Brenden Mandt**, **Bryce Langerud**, and **McKenzie Van Hoom** pose for a picture at a football game. The theme for this game was America. Photo submitted by **Brenden Mandt**.



**Ben Mohan**

**Zachary Mohs**  
hated him in kindergarten but then became best friends with Andrew Fischer

**Manita Monger**  
met in English class and has been best buddies ever since with Noor Hussein

**Purna Monger**

**Matthew Montplaisir**  
plays street basketball like straight up G's with Austin Chase

**Jessica Morse**  
spent every summer without her best friend **Cassandra Lemere**

**Mikayla Mueller**



**Jessica Mullenburg**  
became friends on the bus in first grade with **Abbi Hesse**

**Allison Munyer**  
spent many hours on the hockey bus watching fight night with **Allison Schwarz**

**Megan Narog**

**Brittany Nathan**  
gave a tour of her elementary school and became best friends in first grade with **Olivia Gravel**

**Jacques Ncengetere**

**Cassidy Nelson**

**Victoria Neuleib**



**Madison Neva**

**Lindsay Newenhouse**  
played doubles in tennis with **Jensya Wentz**

**Anthony Nichols**  
played Bean Boozled in sociology class with **Ryne Bigelow**

**Brandon Noffze**  
in the band **Uthenasia** with **Wyatt Torvik**

**Seth Nordstrom**  
enjoyed Central Regions DECA conference with **Logan Jaskowak**

**Evon Nyemah**

**Benjamin Ockert**  
brothers with **Sam Ockert**



**Samuel Ockert**  
had Drivers Ed in ninth grade with **Logan Ridder**

**Bridget Odden**  
was forced to change into gym clothes when deemed too risque with **Sella Brdic**

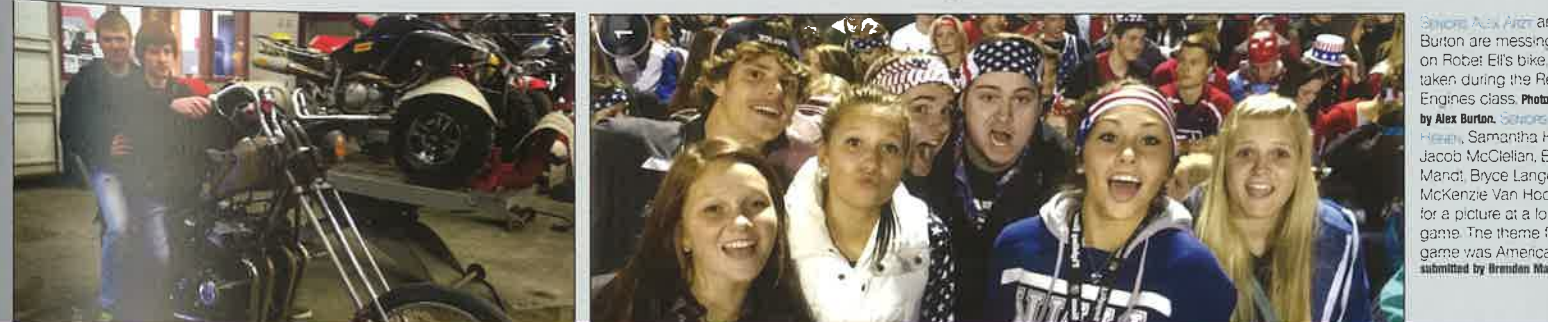
**Chase Odenbach**

**Samuel Olsen**  
went fishing and ended up catching a snapping turtle with **Brady Heisler**

**Cassidy Olson**  
helped choreograph a talent show in eighth grade with **Stephanie Krogen**

**Nolan Olson**

**Tanner Olson**



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**Nicky Omang**  
**Jaci Oye**  
**Marisa Pacella**  
**Alima Pascaline**  
**Bailey Pederson** built a ten-foot-tall snowman in third grade with Ellen Cernik.  
**Cooper Pederson** almost got ran over by his camaro with Robby Ell  
**Ross Pergande** spent the summer jumping off bridges and being hood-rats with Austin Sullivan



**Alyssa Perojo**  
**Tara Peters** enjoyed Central Regions DECA conference with Leyla Bakir  
**Morgan Peterson**  
**Sierra Peterson** has been best friends for six years with Jessica Schatz  
**Nicholas Pfeifer**  
**Laikyn Pfeifle** watch her flip over the handle bars on her bike after hitting a bump which with Hadley Hulman  
**Joseph Pich**



**Lanthia Pickard** danced and played tennis and played tennis at her playground in her room with Lexi Hansen  
**Joshua Pistorious** dropped kicked Tyler Thompson  
**Emily Ploom**  
**Stacy Ploom** went to the cities with Janielle Dillard  
**Nathan Poer**  
**David Pringle**  
**Benjamin Prochniak** went to a surprise birthday party for Alex Lobahn with Andrew Helster



**Nicholas Pruus** got punched in the face at Subaru outback in sophomore year  
**Jessica Qian** was punched in the face once by Arimeta Diop. It was awesome.  
**Shawn Quintana** made her laugh till she dropped with Yessenia DeLeon  
**Mandi Rakoczy** went to elementary school together then moved to West Fargo at the same time as Alyssa Smith  
**Christian Ramberg**  
**Karly Randash** crashed my step-dad's car before I even got my licence with Seila Brilic  
**Ndimubandi Raphael**



**Tanner Reber**  
**Shaodi Reed** brought cupcakes to volleyball practice in eighth grade but they were pushed down by Morgan Petersen  
**Erica Rene**  
**Tyler Richardson**  
**Logan Ridder** played hockey for 15 years with Grant Lind  
**Austin Ridgeway** put silly string on Brady Heath's car  
**Cora Riehl** went to an "All Time Low" concert with Haley Hugelen, Carley Rorveit, and Makayla Henriks



**Bennett Rindy**  
**Amber Robertson**  
**Matthew Rodriguez**  
**Alexandra Rohrich** spent the lunch time playing a card game with Hannah Fricco  
**Carley Rortvedt** tied her shoes every day in kindergarten with Anna Baumgartner  
**Parker Rosenau** was in the library on Monday with Caleb Zander  
**Taylor Rosenkranz** works at the Harwood gas station with Thomas Schroeder



**Cody Retzein** went to a guitar concert with Mason Wikstrom  
**Michael Rowley**  
**Katelyn Runsvold** had Packtime in eighth grade with Jessica Baumgartner  
**Tayler Rusch**  
**Torie Rusch**  
**Hayle Sachow Johnson** showed a cupcake in Shelby Wilhelm's face during a tech meal for "Sweet Charity"  
**Shalini Sakhamuri** had her first bubble tea with NeTya Amdt



**Tanner Sande** gave my Pokemon cards in fifth grade to Tyler Veer.  
**Reawti Sangroula**  
**Andrew Sather** watched Minnesota Wild hockey games with Parker Rosenau  
**Jaeden Schaan** accidentally stuck my pencil in his leg in seventh grade with Jacy Thomas  
**Grant Schaefer**  
**Jessica Schatz** went to an ostrich race in tenth grade with Ally Schwark  
**Madeline Schatz** October 16th, 2009 is the day that I became friends with Ashley Greenlund



Senior Madison is out information giving freshman on day at WFHS. Photo by Sierra Balster. Senior girls while handing during Innovation by Logan Ahern. Senior and Andie laugh not showing mess before giving



Left to right: Powderoff girls smile for the audience. The seniors beat the juniors 27-0. Photo by Logan Ahern. Talking to the Powderoff team, captains Benjamin Holland, Keyan Farmahand and Jacob Telander discuss strategies. Each team elects captains to train before the game. Photo by Logan Ahern.



**Ma Schmid**  
school with Brooke

**Jasper Schmidt**

**Matthew Schmidt**  
caught a sturgeon in the Sheyenne River with Nicolas Watson

**Derek Schreiner**

**Mia Schuster**  
dumped a bottle of water in ninth grade choir class on Marisa Pacolla

**Allison Schwark**  
was 30 minutes late to class in ninth grade because Jessica Schatz got a bloody nose

**Jennifer Severson**



**in Sharma**

**Natalie Shea**  
loved listening to "Waffling Waffles" with Ashley Dew and Arimeta Dipp

**Shelby Sikich**

**Cole Simenson**

**Andrew Slistad**

**Marshal Slater**  
skate all damn day with Jacob Erikstad, Caron Keller, and Cole Holsten

**Jonah Sloan**



**Smedshammer**  
to go wash it with

**Akeem Smith**

**Alyssa Smith**  
was part of a quince for Irene Astran

**Jarod Smith**

**Kristina Smith**

**Alyssa Sogge**  
thought that ABBA is a perfectly acceptable band to jam out to with Ally Schwark

**Kennedy Son**  
had his shoes stolen by Gavin Vanhecke.



**ney Sorlien**  
swimming in the old trip with Morgan

**Mackenzie Speidel**  
carpoled to pre-school every morning together and ate mac and cheese afterwards with Alyssa Smith

**Mackenzie Ste. Marie**  
was left stranded on South Dalzell for four hours with Talia

**Dalton Steinkopf**

**Morgan Stirling**  
convinced people that she was cousins with Logan Ahern

**Skyler Stoner**  
spent every day one summer with Kelsey Bishoff

**Samara Strack**



right, Nicole Shea picture executing a flip. Photo by [unreadable]

they meet, Andrea shes through to Photo by Ashley Dew.

Kevin Farmand ball to his

Photo by Karly Randash.

the seniors off their seniority becoming pep by Mendil Rackzy.



**Benjamin Strahm**  
was given a donut the fast day of school every year by Chase Gooding

**Devon Stroh**

**Kayli Sturlaugson**

**Osman Sufi**

**Austin Sullivan**

**Ryan Summers**  
met in seventh grade at lunch and has had a long friendship ever since with Brenden Mandt

**Bryanna Sutton**  
used to have English together with Logan Ahern



**Soren Swanson**

**Bryan Tassava**  
met in a carpet fort with Nicolas went to a bonfire at Alex Lebn's house with Matt Dufer

**Jacob Telander**

**Jadyn Thomas**  
met his best friend in second grade with Dalton Dunford

**Garrett Thompson**  
made memories and chilled with Jadyn Thomas

**Tyler Thompson**  
jumped off a bridge with Andrew Heister

**Joanna Thorstenson**



**Erin Thostenson**  
is good friends with Daniele Haekenkamp

**Sita Timsina**

**Alexandra Torrance**

**Wyatt Torvik**  
wants to every concert/show with Brandon Nofze

**Brandon Toso**  
was sleep deprived all year with Samuel Olsen

**Kelly Tran**  
is not related to Tom Tran

**Tom Tran**  
is related to Kelly Tran



**Deyshia Tubbs**  
broke a tooth at Taylor Rosenkranz's house

**Janet Tumaini**

**Darek Turner**

**McKenzie Van Hoorn**

**Soniex Vandy**

**Gavin VanHecke**

**Riley Vareberg**



From left to right: Peoples first picture, seniors Haley Hugelen and Grant Lind at the building trades competition. Photo submitted. Taking a break seniors Andrew Heister and Andrea Wagemann prepare to go to basic training. Photo submitted.



**ndan Vasek**  
met when we were playing yugi-oh cards and watched "The Office" with Tanner Sande

**Tyler Veen**  
dissected a frog in eighth grade with Shaodi Reed

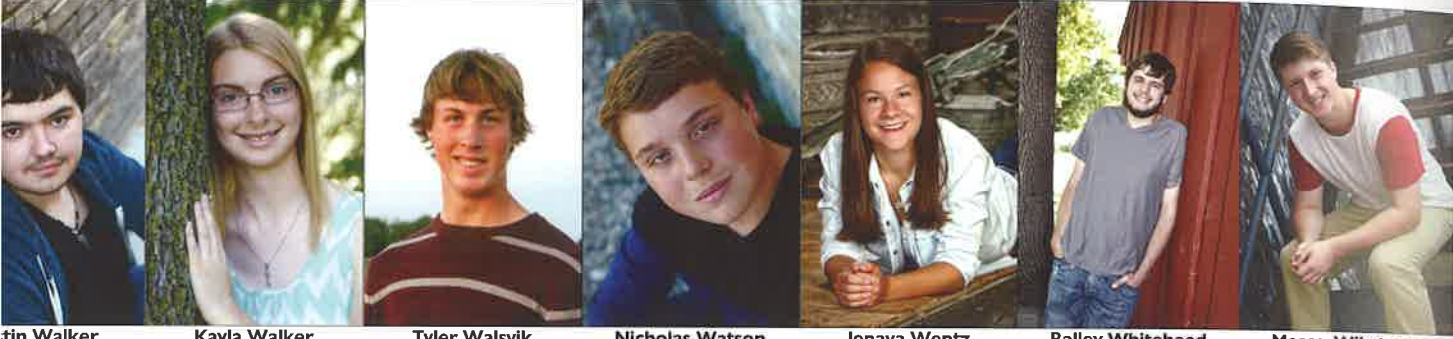
**Cynthia Vistad**  
dropped an entire box of cupcakes in second grade on Logan Ahern

**Jewel Voeller**

**Lily Vraa**

**Andrea Wageman**

**Isabel Waite**



**Justin Walker**  
debate with Neeraj

**Kayla Walker**  
played soccer from third grade till eighth grade with Samara Strack

**Tyler Walsvik**

**Nicholas Watson**  
saw bigfoot in the forest with Ross Pergande

**Jenaya Wentz**  
had kindergarten class with Andrea Milbrath

**Bailey Whitehead**  
went to Prom with Kail Leiseth

**Mason Wikstrom**  
ding-ding-ditched hotel rooms at a soccer tournament with Ethan Rolstad



**Holly Wilhelm**  
have made it the school year Thostenson

**Brennan Willits**

**Tanner Wilson**

**Madison Windus**

**Brandon Witt**

**Marcus Wohl**  
loved Homecoming week and visiting the office with Jake Telander

**Gloria Ybarra**



**Young Ripplinger**  
sister and best friends in second grade I got my first kiss from Cody Eisenbels

**Alexis Young**

**Morees Yousif**

**Bailey Zander**

**Caleb Zander**  
went to Boundary Waters with Cody Howe

**Richmond Zarway**

**Matthew Zent**



**BOAT RACE**  
senior participates in boat races. This is the annual Physics Boat Race. Photo by Ashley Daw. Candy canes at the breakfast. Photo by Tiana. The up uses this event during the year. Photo by Ashley Daw. As senior passes out candy on Valentine's classmates look at them. Photo by Logan Ahern.



**Zachary Zietz**

**Jayda Zimmerman**  
made an unsinkable boat with Adrien Lohman

**Elijah Zuppan**



**WORKING THE SHOP**  
CHRISTMAS MARKET senior Neeraj Advani enjoys a cookie at the NHS Christmas party. The party was during the last week of school before Christmas break. Photo by Ashley Daw. PREPARING A TOSS senior Nathan Keller looks to take out a teacher at the SkyZone dodgeball tournament. The tournament was hosted by FCA to help raise money for Paige Lazorenko in April. Photo by Emily Chadwick. TEARING AWAY A CAT senior Aracely Rodriguez looks for specific organs in Anatomy class. The class spends several weeks in the dissection process in February. Photo by Karly Handsh.



After receiving the winning entry from the contest, senior Homecoming candidates pump up the senior crowd. Photo by Mandi Rakoczy. The senior Powderpuff team huddles together during halftime of the Powderpuff game. Photo by Logan Ahern. Flows the float during the West Fest parade, senior Dalton Duniord dresses as Peter Pan to promote the Storybook Breakfast. Photo by Sierra Balster.



THE STUDENT SECTION cheers on the Packer football team during the Homecoming game. Photo by Logan Ahern. IN BUILDING TRADES, senior Logan Ritter works on the trusses. The houses they build are presold and worked on during the school year. Photo by Ashley Daw. TO RAISE MONEY FOR RENAISSANCE CLUB, English teacher Mitchell Smette agreed to be duct taped to the wall. Senior Logan Holmes applies the duct tape he purchased. Photo by Sierra Balster. WORKING TO GATHER MEASUREMENTS, senior Emily Chadwick assist in removing the river water sample. The Field Biology class took a field trip to the river in the fall. Photo by Logan Ahern.



# BELIEVABLE.



"In the summer of 2014, I biked 50 miles in Philmont, New Mexico for Boy Scouts."  
Nathan Keller, 10



"Most students take classes 1-7 or 2-8. For me, I'm always late no matter how hard I try. I usually show up around lunch. So sadly enough as a result, I've had 93 absences and 36 tardies, out of the 180 day school year, I passed my junior year beautifully. Can't wait to see what senior year brings me."  
Kaelaigh Johnson, 11



"I surprised myself this year when I made it into North Dakota All-State Orchestra. It was an incredible experience and made me appreciate the music even more."  
Giff Ben-Bernard, 12



Seniors HENRI WILSON is preparing to dunk a teacher during Paige week. Students gathered by the main doors to watch teachers being dunked. Photo By Natalie Zupan.



Seniors CECIL STONE rows her cardboard boat that she made in the physics boat race. The race is held at the LE Berger pool every year. Photo By Ashley Dew.

# Familiar Faces



Seniors SAMUEL LESTER is stirring spaghetti sauce in the food lab. The social Packers are a group of students who meet monthly and do a variety of activities together. Photo By Breana Oriando.



Juniors DANIEL LEBSON and ALECIA DIEDE walk around looking at the college booths during conferences. A variety of different colleges set up booths during conferences this year so students had a chance to explore their options after high school. Photo by Sabrina Leler.





Row 1 Emma Kuchenbacker, Alka St, Abigail Kleindl Row 2 Danielle Dube, McKenzie St. Marie, Jessica Shaitz Row 3 Tanner Schmid, Jeneya Wentz, Gilt, Lexi Stein, Cassidy Nelson



From left to right: The Food and Fitness class took a day to prepare fruits and vegetables for the Fuel Up to Play 60 smoothies. Some fruits and vegetables that were used were strawberries, blueberries, bananas, and spinach. Photo by Annie Matern. Senior Jacob Schewe participates in the preparation for the Fuel Up to Play 60 smoothies. One area where he helped was cutting up a pineapple. Photo by Annie Matern. Behind the curtain together, junior Lexi Stein makes a smoothie. The smoothies were served for breakfast to promote healthy eating. Photo by Annie Matern.



Left to right Row 1 Haley Kringle, Ally Carson, Erica Lee, Emma Breidenback, Danielle Dube, Jenna Beck Row 2 Logan Ahern, Taylor Lautenberg, Jaelyn Lardy, Elizabeth Suppa, Keely Walker Row 3 Jeneya Wentz, Allison Inman, Brianna Faul, Shelby Larsen, Isabel Waite, Kennedy Sand Row 4 Andrew Sather, Benjamin Prochnick, Andrew Fischer, Cody Eisenbeisz, Cody Binstock, Advisor Rick Wilson Not pictured Advisor Duane Bice, Alexis Huseby, Jacob Schweitzer



From left to right: Organizing cans in a pattern, Juniors Haley Kringle and Erica Lee unpack the non-perishable food items from boxes. Student Council collected around 8,000 cans this year for Fill the Dome. Photo by Logan Ahern. Taking a break, junior Ally Carson poses by an alligator made by cans. The group made two alligators and a moat with the collected cans. Photo by Logan Ahern. Asking for cans, senior Jeneya Wentz walks door-to-door. On Halloween students went 'trick-or-canning' for Fill the Dome. Photo by Logan Ahern.

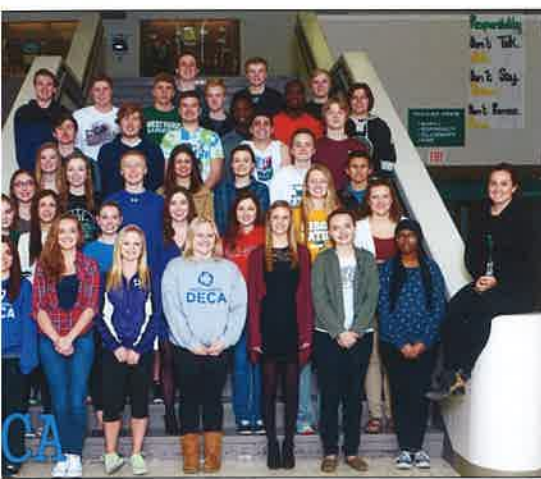


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Sabrina Now Pines and Logan Jaszkwik sit in front of the computers in the library. They are preparing for a DECA competition. Photo by Irene Astran. Sabrina Now Pines and Brady Baiweber look over papers in the library at a DECA meeting. Photo by Irene Astran. Sabrina Now Pines, Seth Nordstrom, and Thomas Schroeder prepare for their competition by going over the material they need to know before their competition. Photo by Irene Astran.

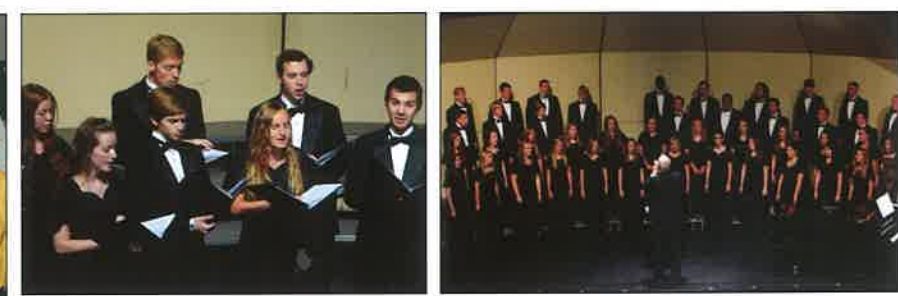
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From left to right: Row 1: Halle Speidel, Erin Olson, Alka Singh, McKayla Campagna, Anna Vigen Row 2: Hailey Parsons, Jasmine Hamilton, Kylie Steadman, Winter Martin, Taylor Prange, Brie Pulczynski Row 3: Alexandria Wilson, Aaliyah Gerriets, Sophia Berger, Haylee Brown, Gillian Sauter, Madison Ehlers Row 4: Director Jeffery Mueller, Danielle Boyman, Jaden Klein, Marisa Seaman, Elizabeth Suppa, Amber Coreson Not pictured: Ashley Clements, Shan Shan Guo, Whitney Hofstad, Daisy Ortiz, Adira Vjovk, Jewel Simonson



From left to right: Jency Eric Lee performs a solo piece during a Madrigal performance at a concert in fall of 2014. Lee has a strong passion for singing. Photo by Sabrina Leler. The students of the Concert Choir are instructed by the director of Choral Activities Jeffery Mueller. Photo by Sabrina Leler. The Madrigal Choir steps away from the Concert Choir and gives the audience a little show of their own. The Madrigals are a group of students who audition to sing in the group. Photo by Sabrina Leler.



Right, Row 1: Kristen Aswege, Adrien Lohman, Jessican Mullenberg, Morgan Kasin, Lexi Row 2: Nick Pfeifer, Dalton Dunford, Kelli Fiechtner, Natalie Shea Row 3: Maddie Johnson, Jig-Flippinger, Elizabeth Suppa, Alex Wilson, Sierra Romero. Row 4: Max Adams, Anthony Hager, Rian Blacksmith.



Sevon Acres Lohman and other cast members of the "Government Inspector" rehearse their parts for the play. Photo by Eli Ratchewski. Students in the "Government Inspector" practice their parts with much effort prior to their play the next day. Photo by Eli Ratchewski. Sevon Acres Lohman and Mia Schuster bow on stage after the production of the "Beauty and the Beast". Photo by Logan Ahern.



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Right, Row One: Bailey Johnson, Cora Riehl. Row Two: Michael Wilson, Logan Row Three: Jeremy Murphy



Sevon Acres Riehl adjusts the camera for another weekly edition of The Packer News. Each week, this student-led program publishes a news cast for the West Fargo community to watch on Fridays. Photo by Sierra Balster. Junior Michael Wilson and senior Cora Riehl broadcast a live showing of West Fargo boys varsity basketball game. Photo submitted by Jeremy Murphy. The West Fargo Packer News camera displays the recording of the anchor for the weekly news cast. Photo by Sierra Balster.

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Row 1 Ashley Dew, Sabrina Leier, Elizabeth Ratchenski, Sierra Balster, Key Row 2 Logan Ahern, Annie Matern, Karly Randash, Mandi Rakoczy, My Murphy, Breana Orlando, Kaylee Stokka, Erin Daignaut, Natalie Zupan



From left to right: During YEARBOOK SEMIAR in the fall, sophomore Kaylee Stokka works on her project to help complete the design project. Photo by Karly Randash. FOCUSING ON HER GROUP PAGE, senior Mandi Rakoczy tries to finish by deadline. Photo by Natalie Zupan. WORKING ON HER spread senior Ashley Dew works hard to help prepare a group page. Dew was named the North Dakota Photographer of the Year. Photo by Natalie Zupan.



Left to right Row 1 Coach Sara Fomess, Hannah Hoeger, Seth Nordstrom, Jaelyn Lardy Row 2 Leo Grochow, Cody Binstock, Jarret Lardy Not Pictured Jake Schweitzer, Nikki Schreiner, Alex Hetwer, Tabby Miller, Tessa Chambers, Josh Wibbels, Trenton Walsh



From left to right: TAKING KITCHENWARE on the Field Biology trip, Environment adviser Sara Fomess is dressed to help students take measurements at the Sheyenne River. Photo by Logan Ahern. EVALUATING THE WATER QUALITY, Fomess works with students to help them identify key components to their project. Photo by Logan Ahern. WORKING ON THEIR measurements, biology students span the Sheyenne River to get the most accurate reading. Photo by Logan Ahern.



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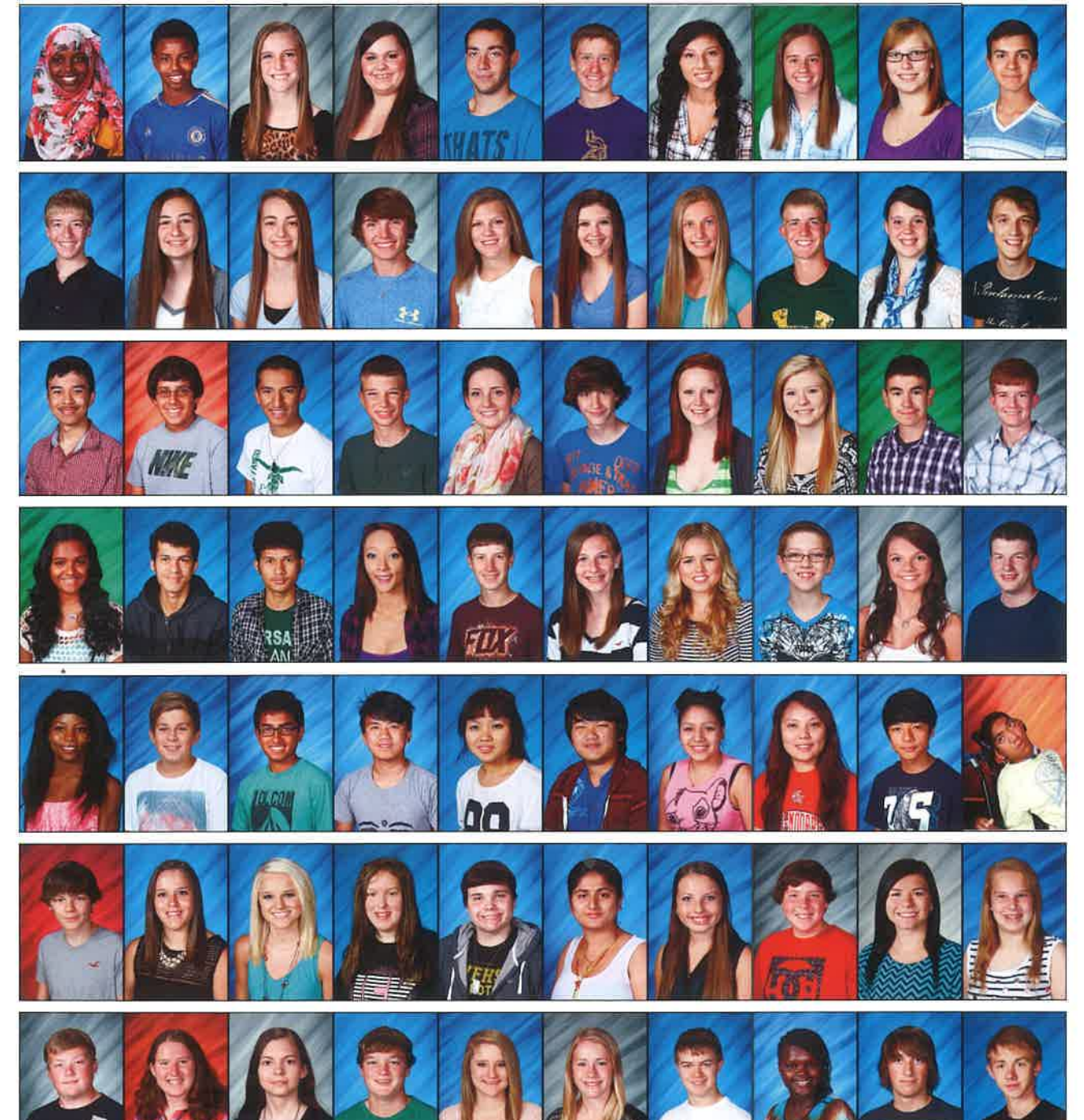


Left to right Row 1: Nikita Schaab, Irelen Chase, Arizona Crowe, Kaitlin Blake Row 2: Clarissa Meyer, McKayla Campagna, Taylor Dahl Row 3: Drew Baxley, Alexis Hancock Devin Dick, Adviser Brenda Luthi



From left to right: Art Club Adviser Brandon Luthi teaches senior Brandon Witt where to fold pages. Students created their own sketchbooks. Photo by Logan Ahern. Brandon Luthi tries to guess the word while playing Heads Up during the Christmas party. Photo by Sabrina Leler. Senior Kaitlin Blake and other art club members played Apples to Apples during Art Club. Photo by Sabrina Leler. Senior Brandon Witt paints the front of a bird house. Photo by Logan Ahern.

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From left to right: Snowie Basin Awards, NaTya Arndt, and Cheyenne Cole dump ice water onto Garman teacher Lisa Mulvaney, math teacher Duane Broe, and math teacher Cory Lovless. Photo by Kaylee Stukka. Key Club members took part in the West Fargo parade during Homecoming Week. Photo by Sierra Balsler. Sophie Ashley Campbell and Logan Helm hand out roses during Valentine's Day. Photo by Sierra Balsler. Kaitlin Blake and Devin Dick paint the front of a bird house.



Left to right: Row one: Jessica Qian, Britany Nathan, Amber Young Ripplinger, Cassidy Dow Row two: Jayda Flescha, Karlee Wold, Eli Ratchenski, Brooke Hansey, Mia Schuster Row three: Adviser Danielle Jangula, Logan Ahern, Abbi Hesse Not Pictured: Taylor Johnson, Marisa Pacella, Sabrina Leler, Bailey Aansenon

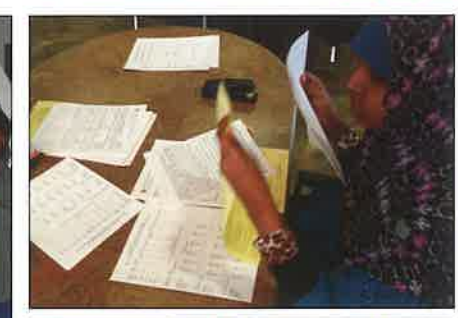


From left to right: SENIOR MARISA PACELLA informs students from other schools, who are member of FCCLA, on what they are going to have to say at the District 8 Conference. Pacella is president of District 6 and she will give up her position to another student who wishes to be elected. Photo by Logan Ahern. SENIOR AMBER YOUNG RIPPLINGER attempts to do a brainbuster, while moving both of her arms in two different directions, at the FCCLA District 8 Conference. Young-Ripplinger has been FCCLA since she was in the ninth grade at Sneyenne High School. Photo by Logan Ahern. KARLEE WOLD, JUNIOR, is holding a child that was at the FCCLA daycare room held on conferences. The daycare room is used for teachers and parents who need a place for the children during parent-teacher conferences. Photo by Sabrina Leler.

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- Emily Stillwell, (9)
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- Maryam Sulaiman, (11)
- Alexis Sumers, (10)
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- Jacob Tanata, (10)
- Zachary Tang, (10)
- Hannah Tangen, (10)



Left to right: Row one: John Names, Ally Carson, Ciera Holland, Emiiy Chadwick, Kaitlyn Blaka Row two: Hayle Sachow, Julie Hahn, Philomina Bonda, Talla Dalziel, Dunielle Dube Row three: Marc Pina, Alex Weible, Andrea Mibrath, Brianna Faul, Clara Houser, Janet Tumhari Row four: Cheyenne Cole, Candace Nelson, Leahelle West, Logan Auser, Shant...



From left to right: JUNIOR NICOLE ABO staples forms for the staff at the West Fargo High Rise. ABO's Innovation Hour group volunteered at the home in December. Photo by Jeremy Murphy. JUNIOR ANNE NEISEN and senior Brittany Hurley work together to complete their Innovation Hour project. Photo by Jeremy Murphy.



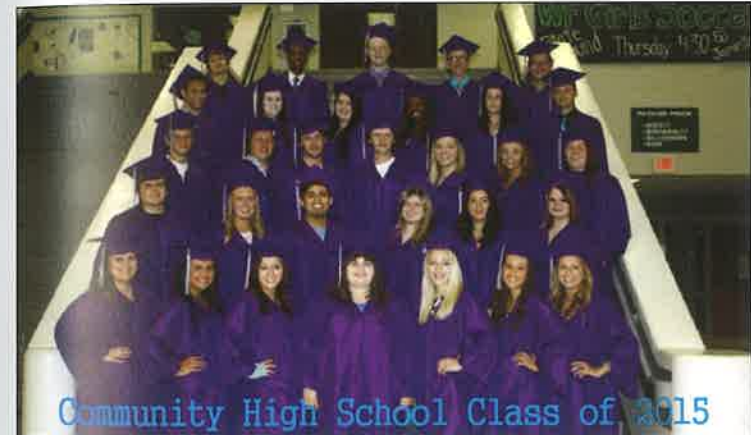


From left to right WF Community Graduates Emily Lyon, Tristan Hart, Savannah Lende, and Emily Ballou pose with keynote speaker Kellie Blair Hardt the day before Community High School's graduation ceremony. Photo submitted by Tristan Hart. All ready to go to graduation ceremony, WF Community Graduate Jordan Kinslow poses for a selfie. Photo submitted by Jordan Kinslow. Rebecca Stangel pours punch at the WF Community senior picnic at Community. Photo submitted by Thomas Gavel.

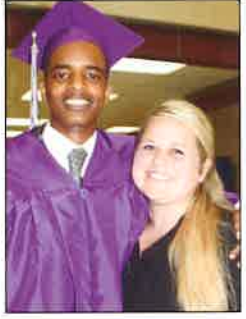


On May 28, 2015 the graduating students of West Fargo Community High School gathered to celebrate their achievement of receiving their high school diploma. Before the ceremony, the students were lined up in alphabetical order outside of the West Fargo High School theater doors before the commencement began. The students showed excitement, anxiety, and motivation for their futures as they waited for the ceremony to begin. Photo by Braana Orlando.

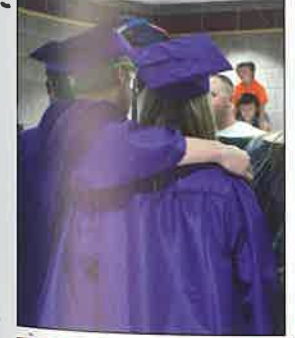
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Community High School Class of 2015  
Row 1: Emily Ballou, Hanna Lafferty, Alyssa Garza, Kaylee Haas, Sierrah Clements, Dezare Heidt, Shelby Sikich Row 2: Skyler Lureen, Shaylee Kollman, Francisco Lopez, Emily Lyon, Ismeta Beganovic, Kierra Henriksen Row 3: Hunter Krank, Scott Evenson, Cody Rolstad, Ryan Cornette, Danielle Halderson, Jordan Kinslow, Tristan Hart Row 4: Dillon Nettum, Madison Kellerman, Alyssa Bonderson, Alicia Tribble, Eclipse Shorten, Tyler Kropp Row 5: Trace Adams, Faisal Abdullahi, Mark Schafer Jr., Alec Moncada



From left to right: WF Community Graduate Sierrah Clements receives her diploma from her principal. Photo submitted by Thomas Gavel. Graduates Jordan Kinslow and Madison Kellerman pose for a photo after the graduation ceremony. Photo submitted by Thomas Gavel. Graduates Trace Adams, Scott Evenson, and Alyssa Garza pose for a photo right before they walk to receive their diplomas. Photo submitted by Thomas Gavel.



From left to right: Photo for a photo, WF Community graduates Hunter Krank and Breanna Wilde-Becherl celebrate their achievement. Photo by Braana Orlando. Sierrah Clements smiles as she shakes keynote speaker Kellie Blair Hardt's hand. Photo by Braana Orlando. Graduate Emily Ballou delivers a speech called "A Place to Belong". Photo by Braana Orlando. Hunter Krank and Cody Rolstad pose for a picture before their graduation ceremony. Photo submitted by Thomas Gavel.



On May 28, 2015 West Fargo Community High School hosted its annual graduation ceremony for its graduating students. Before the ceremony, WF Community High School administrators are introduced in the order you see in the photo above: Principal Thomas Gavel, keynote speaker Kellie Blair Hardt, Board of Education Vice President Jeff Shirley, Assistant Superintendent Allen Burgad, Superintendent

# Faces



Suzanne McIvor  
Barbara Metcalf  
Cy Metcalf  
Cynthia Metcalf  
Michael Metcalf  
Dodie Miller  
Nally Monday  
Jeanne Monkman  
Matthew Montanye  
Mindy Moon

Samantha Mork  
Shannon Morlund  
Jeffery Mueller  
Danielle Mullen  
Lisa Mulvaney  
Jeremy Murphy  
Brent Nasset  
Annette Nesius  
Bragley Neznik  
Kristi Nigg

Eric Nojacek  
Chasty Odden Heide  
Carol Olson  
Catherine Olson  
Elen Olson  
Candice Paczkowski  
Adam Paczkowski  
Debbie Paulson  
Maria Pegg  
Darci Phillips

Shelly Potter  
Laura Preston  
Thomas Rakoczy  
Teresa Renwick  
Peggy Renliets  
Holly Ripley  
LaRae Rosenfeldt  
Aaron Rudebusch  
Katrina Rued  
Raymond Sampson

Carol Sather  
Melanie Schacher  
Jackie Schell  
Allison Schmitz  
Jan Sliper  
Matthew Slidcomb  
Mitchell Smette  
Lucinda Stai  
Ryan Stewart  
Christopher Strand

Michelle Strand  
John Swanson  
Leah Swedberg  
Steven Swenson  
Aaron Tank  
Suzanne Thibert  
Ronald Thompson  
David Thorpe  
Melissa Peterson-Toepeke  
John Turner

Tonya Vatter  
Janessa Viall  
Brian Vogel  
Christina Walker  
Malissa Wendt  
Sarah Williams  
Richard Wilson  
Wanda Wilson  
Lisa Windjue  
Susan Woodley

Sylvia Woznica  
Jamie Zuel



From left to right: Jill Bicklund, math teacher and Math Club adviser, explains how to solve an equation during an activity at a Math Club meeting. Photo by Holly Belinsky. Mindy Moon, Jeremy Murphy, and Beatrix Hill, all English teachers, pose as characters from the movie 'The Hunger Games' during staff theme week. Photo by Kaylee Stekka. English teacher Lindley Cossette is all smiles as she gives a thumbs up during the dunk tank at teacher event. Photo by Karly Randash.



# UNEXPECTED



"It was a surprise to receive first in prepared speaking and medical law and ethics, I didn't know what to expect with Medical Law because it is a new field for HOSA ND this year, but I'm glad my studying and hard work paid off."

Morgan Stirling, 12



"I received first place in HOSA bowl and forensics. It felt pretty cool to place in a state competition."

Zachary Burtfield, 12



"I thought it was so much fun! It was an amazing experience to go to nationals for first robotics. I got to meet people from all over the world and I learned so much being there"

Bethany Teets, 10



Juniors Eli Hatchenski and McKenzie Durbin listen to the instructions while setting up for Prom. They were both a part of Prom Committee and planned the theme and other events for Prom night. Prom Committee members set up the gym for Grand March for three days during school.  
Photo By Sabrina Leier.



The week of Valentine's Day, Key Club sold wooden roses to staff and students. Key Club sells wooden roses each year. The roses are delivered during the school day by Key Club members to students in their classrooms. Photo By Sierra Bolster.

# Organizations



Seniors Anasta Dorn and alumni Sierra Walker work together during a French Club meeting. They prepared baskets with food and gifts for families in the community. Photo By Holly Belinsky.



Seniors Ashley Campbell and Brandon Witt play the game Apples to Apples during one of the Art Club meetings after school. Snacks and drinks were provided at each meeting. Photo By Sabrina Leier.





From Left to Right: Junior Kristin Aagesen, senior Dalton Dunford and senior Arimeta Diop perform in the play "The Government Inspector" at West Fargo High School. This was the final performance that Diop and Dunford performed in at West Fargo High School their senior year. Photo by Elizabeth Hatcheski. Sierra Dow works on the Packer News after school for broadcasting. Broadcasting works on the Packer News every Thursday for it to air Friday mornings for the students and staff to tune in. Photo by Sierra Balster. Senior Jane Teague plays ping pong for DECA. The ping pong tournament was held by DECA to promote the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Photo by Ashley Dew. Junior Cassidy Dow sits watching the preschoolers on their first day of preschool at West Fargo. The childcare room is in 106C and is a daycare for parents to bring their children for three hours of the day at a reasonable cost. Photo by Elizabeth Hatcheski. Junior Sydney Lund and senior Jayda Flesche are dressed up for the first day of school for the preschoolers. Dressing up is a fun and easy way for the preschoolers to interact with WFHS students. Photo by Elizabeth Hatcheski.

## Chamber Orchestra

Row 1 Gift Ben-Bernard, Chey-Mia Schuster, Bethany Teets Row 2 Mary, Annika Stearns, Katie Merkel, Coll Row 3 Noah Simpenderfer, Row 4 Manny Matos, Sawyer Tucker Not pictured Courtney Evenson



## Anime Club

Left to right; Row 1; Bobbi Frisco, Aaron Morrison, Amber Roberg, Ariel Grossnickle Row 2; Clarissa Meyer, Brianna Rivenes, Brandon Witt Row 3; Drew Baxley, Maddison Ehlers, Dalton Jensen, Ryan Busch Row 4; Adviser Michael Preston, Matthew Krachtbaasch, Adviser Laura Preston

## Childhood

Row 1 Mikia Ferguson, Kole McKayla Campagna, Riley Moon, Sage Andel, Avery Eckart, Cassidy Mael Becker, Megan Narog, Camryn Row 2 Cierra Heley, Jackson North, Sam Heinen, Ashur Imchada, Kinsey, Claire Kratcha, Sadie Gabbie Schultz, Kari Kluth, Alexis Row 3 Destiny Fuka, Megan Harms, Peterson, Sydney Lund, Jayden Layda Flesche, Reese Jorgenson, Isco, Mark Becker Not Pictured Lily Matilton



## National Honor Society

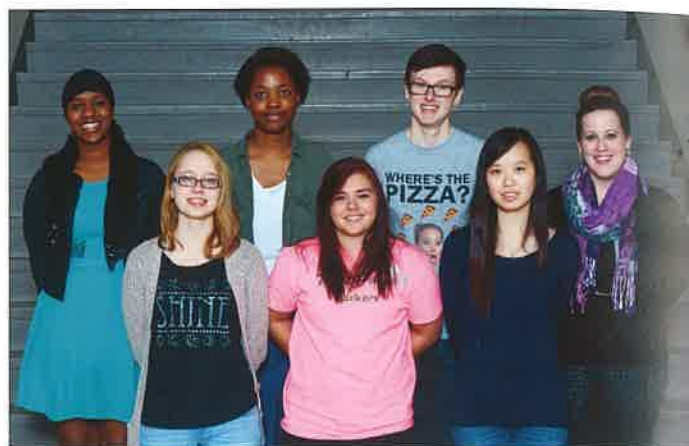
Left to right Row 1 Brooklyn Pringle, Olivia Gravel, Dorothee Kom Petnkeu, Sydney Kramer, Jarret Meister, Isabel Toddie, Gwen Toay, Erica Lee, Libby Bahr, Hannah Hoeger, Drew Mapes, Ashley Christlieb, Samara Strack Row 2 Cassidy Brown, Kelsey Cariveau, Brittany Nathan, Alexis Schneider, Ally Carson Row 3 Ashley Bonn, Jordan Flaagan, Stephanie Carter, Stephanie Hall, Jaxine Carlson, Jessica Ryans, Madeline Breiland, Madison Nelson, Tom Tran, NaTya Arndt, Kailey Christlieb Row 4 Ashley Dew, Ross Pergande, McKenzie Speldel, Erica Rene, Emily Bourassa, Malea Peters, Nicole Heinen, Katie Merkel, Mykin Gunning, Mia Schuster Row 5 Lindsey Krogen, Grace Bailey, Cole Amundson, Anna Baumgartner, Alecia Diede, Ivy Berogan, Hannah Frisco, Shelby Wilhelm, Jonah Sloan, Mariah Hendrickson Row 6 Ashton Barta, Brianna Arens, Rit Bezbaruah, Brooke Beske, Amanda Mears, Madison Neva, Jessica Morse, Kayla Walker Row 7 Jenaya Wentz, Ciara Houser, Shalini Sakhamuri, Siri Rasmussen, Anne Neisen, Madeline Schatz, Kelsey Flanery, Sydney Lund, Jordan Faircloth Row 8 Brendan Klug, Cassidy Nelson, Jacee French, Andrew Fischer, Ben Prochniak, Andrew Sather, Brendan Smith, Preston Gapp, Westin Bader, Brady Ballweber, Dylan Anthony, Andrew Johnson Row 9 Erica Schmid, Neeraj Advani, Carley Rortvedt, Lindsay Newenhouse, Cody Eisenbeisz, Erin Thostenson, Matthew Zent, Ajdin Ekic, Michael Allred, Alex Talley, Matthew Martin, Nathan Ingebretson Row 10 Jake Erickstad, Parker Rosenau, Jarret Lardy, Dustin Siedman, Landon Holstrom, Fijad Bajramovic, Almir Ekic, Ben Holland, Amer Bektas, Josh Pistorius, Zach Mohs, Conrad Kranz Not Pictured Gift Ben-Bernard, Zach Burtsfield, Steve Bush, Reminton Court, Talia Dalzell, Emily Davison, Arimeta Diop, Danielle Dube, Ashley Eisenbeisz, Delaney Faiman, Mikayla Heupel, Adam Idso, Stephanie Krogen, Marissa Paceella, Baley Pederson, Jessica Qian.



From left to right: Concert band students march through the city of West Fargo during the West Fest parade. Photo by Sierra Balster. Choir students prepare for their music piece during the fall choir concert. Photo by Sabrina Lefler. Choir students also sing on the balcony during their fall concert. Photo by Sierra Balster. Band students perform during their fall edition of their band concert. Photo by Erin Daignault. Choir director Jeffrey Mueller introduces his choir students before the audience during the fall concert. Photo by Sierra Balster.

## Exprimere

From left to right Row 1: Britney St. Aubin, Emily Chadwick, Shan Shan Guo. Row 2: Hodan Mohamed, Janet Turmaini, Logan Ahern, Adviser Beatrice Hill.



## FBLA

Left to right: row 1 Jarrett Meester, Samara Strack, Nicole Heinen, Adviser Rick Anderson, Row 2 Derrick Morris, Taylor Lugert, Kennedy Kraft, Shelby Larsen, Adam Idso, Row 3 Deion Heinen, Alex Talley, Garret Thompson, Ben Holland. Not pictured Julia McGrady, Samira Sadt, Morgan Stirling



## Concert Choir

Row 1: Tyler Richardson. Row 2: Adrien Lohman, Maxwell Adams, Jessica Mullenberg, Kaitlin Blake, Tessa Chambers, Ashley Bonn, Abbigail Hesse, Erica Rene, Erica Lee, Hannah Rossow. Row 3: Carlye Hansey, Kristin Aswege, Kailey Donarski, Haley Ludlow, Felicia Borslien, Alexandria Wilson, Siri Rasmussen, Jaxine Carlson, Alexis Schneider. Row 4: Bailee Kunhantz, Andrea Milbrath, Mariah Hendrickson, Alyssa Sogge, Jacyn Thomas, Dalton Dunford, Anthony Peralta, Norman Nelson, Callen Grochow. Row 5: Jordan Knighten, Hannah Rossow, Evan Hager, Mia Schuster, Soren Swanson. Row 6: Director Kaine Olen, Lance Grochow, Lane Loudenslager, Chase Kanar, Grant Nelson, Patrick Eldridge



## Concert Band

Left to right Row 1: Sarah Montplaisir, Jaelyn Lardy, Nicole Schreiner, Hattie Overba, Ashley Johnson, Marina Hendrickson, LaNae Stabik. Row 2: Gretchen Schrock, Teya Meuchel, Joseph Wokasch, Shaadi Reed, Bobbie Frisco, Jacob Johnson. Row 3: Riley Wilhelm, Kayla Pica, Mercedes Van Vleet, Austin Moltzan. Row 4: Jackson Gravel, Jacob Schweitzer, Michael Shumate, Angel Suncar. Row 5: Dylan Humble, Matthew Bush, Alex Hetwer, Dylan Tonsfeldt, John Emerson. Row 6: Nathan Keller, Alex Riley, Michael Cudney, Jayd Peters, Tanner Van Rassel, Travis Juran. Not Pictured: Keaton Restad





Left to Right: Seniors **Brady Baumbach** and **Kayan Farahmand** are talking before their tennis match starts. They are tennis partners. **Photo by Sabrina Leler.** The **Guitar Club** is getting ready to play their first song at their winter concert, which took place in January. Students who wish to learn how to play guitar are able to take guitar and learn the basics and how to play songs on the guitar. **Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski.** Seniors **Jenna Harsche** and **Brooke Hansey** are tying a blanket for FCCLA. The club donated the blankets. **Photo by Holly Belinsky.** The **Varsity Seniors** are sitting at the head table at the soccer team banquet. The team got together for a team meal. **Photo by Karyl Randash.** **Junior Steve Sandoni** watches for the puck to be passed to him from a teammate. The varsity hockey team played against Bismarck. **Photo by Sabrina Leler.**



## Guitar

Row 1: **Melvin Johnson, Amber Roberg, JaeLyn Lardy, Bethany Teets, Hailey Ludlow, Tony Silverman** Row 2: **Asma Mohammed, Ram Ghalle, Damber Basnet, Kailey Christlieb, Kristlieb, Rinah Soyan** Row 3: **Jordan Knighten, Nathan Keller, Sierra Romero, Lindsay Brower, Jessica Morse, Aly Rohrich** Row 4: **Logan Holmes, Melissa LaPorte, Tabitha Christian Engum, Cody Rotzien** Row 5: **Parker LaMont, Alexandria Wilson, Evon Nyemeh, Chase Gooding, Amer Beklas, Tyler Walsvik** Row 6: **Rory Johnson, Safiyo Ali, Carly** Row 7: **Brandon Umlauf, Alex Riley, Grant Ellensen, Carter Hall**



## Jazz Band

Row 1: **Erin Thostenson, Joe Frisinger, Riley Wilhem, Bobbi Frisco, Kayla Pica, Jacob Schweitzer, Michael Shumate, Katie Merkel** Row 2: **Matt Montplaisir, Neeraj Advani, Alex Hettwer, Kayla Walker, Gretchen Schrock** Row 3: **Jaryd Peters, Tavis Juran, Tanner Van Rassel** NOT PICTURED: **Austin Walker, Stephanie Hall**



## Jazz Ensemble

Row 1: **Brenna Kallod, Daniele Haekenkamp, Joe Frisinger, Erin Thostenson, Shaodi Reed, Brandon Noffze, Ciara Houser** Row 2: **Hayle Sachow Johnson, Zach Mohs, Matt Montplaisir, Kayla Walker, Brandon Allred** Row 3: **Randall Taylor, Nathaniel Ingebreton, Steve Bush, Blake Lindemann, Ravis Juran** NOT PICTURED: **Wyatt Torvik, Austin Walker, Ty Simonson**

## HOSA

Row 1: **Morgan Stirling, Chloe Stone, NaTya Arndt, Kelly Tran** Row 2: **Brooke Walz, Tiffany Kindem, Alan Ngo, Stephanie Krogen, Emma Breidenbach** Row 3: **Fathi Abdullahi, Zach Burtfield, Keely Walker, Gift Ben-Bernard, Carlos Villa** NOT PICTURED: **Advisor Amy Anderson, Sondos Abdelrahman, Shaded Azerad, Abigail Kleindl, Srijana Lamitare, Brianna Olson**





From left to right: The Madrigal Singers perform for different departments on the last day of school before Christmas break. Photo by Jessica Qian. SENATOR EMILY CHADWICK speaks to the North Dakota Senate Education Committee to pass a bill for students to have a freedom of speech in publications and school. Photo submitted by Jeremy Murphy. ORCHESTRA STUDENTS prepare to perform their winter concert for their family and friends. The Madrigals Singers performed a song during the winter choir concert. Photo by Sierra Balster. Going to accept her award, sophomore Akriti Saxena listens to the applause during the 2015 NIPA competition. Photo by Erin Daignault.

## Knowledge Bowl

LEFT TO RIGHT Row 1 Rijad Bajramovic, Adam Schick, Keely Walker, Erin Thostenson



## Madrigal Singers

Left to right Row 1: Tyler Richardson, Randall Taylor, Maxwell Adams, Sophia Berger, Evan Hager, Grant Nelson Row 2: Hannah Rossow, Erica Lee, Brenna Kallod, Alyssa Sogge, Mia Schuster, Chase Kanarr, Anthony Peralta, Alexandria Wilson, Lane Loudenslager Not PICTURED: Madison Miller



## Orchestra

Row 1: Jordan Muffinbeir, Morgan Bigalke, Alexis Summers, Bethany Teets, Brady Krogstad Row 2: Stephanie Fosness, Jada Carey, Cheyenne Alm, Irelen Chase, Row 3: Noah Simpfendorfer, Drew Baxley, Angela Cornelissen, Ashley Christleib, Kailey Christleib Row 4: Manny Matos, Sam Anderson, Britney Nelson, Marie Jordan Mandt Row 5: Jacob McClellan, Annika Stearns, Karlee Wold Not PICTURED: Courtney Evenson, Akriti Saxena, Mykio Gunning, Ashton Barta, Breanna Kaul

## Newspaper

Left to right Row 1: Irene Astran, Arimeta Diop Row 2: Hannah Dioh, Morgan Heley, Emily Chadwick Row 3: Jessica Qian, Rebeca Livermont, Logan Ahern, Akriti Saxena Row 4: Adviser Jeremy Murphy, Toby Kindem, Anthony Peralta, Chelsey Cressman





From left to right: While helping the Renaissance Club with the Duct Tape a Teacher event, Joan Baltezare laughs after removing the teachers from the wall. Students paid for duct tape to use to stick their favorite teacher. **Photo by Sierra Balster.** Senior **Dimitri** sticks out his tongue while paddling in the Physics Boat Regatta. All boats in the regatta were created completely from cardboard and duct tape. **Photo by Ashley Dew.** In the courtyard seniors **Olivia Gravel** and **Isabel Waite** study together. During their cliff period they took advantage of the nice day to work outside. **Photo by Ashley Dew.** At the Prom Committee meeting, juniors **Elizabeth Bahr** and **Brianna Arens** look through possible prom themes together. **Photo by Sabrina Leier.** **Sabrina Bannay** receives a pamphlet for the members of the FCCLA chapter conference to follow along. The conference was at the Ramada. **Photo by Logan Ahern.**

## Renaissance Club

Row 1: Britney St. Aubin, Alka Datta, Dorothee Kom, Jessica Qian, Kelly Tran, Natya Arndt Row 2: Joan Baltezare, Christian Nekola, Cody Beske, Brooke Beske, Hannah Frisco, Mia



## Science Olympiad

Left to right Row 1: Adviser Melisa Toepke-Peterson, Lasya Anand, Dustin Steedsman, Kelly Tran Row 2: Claire Gramlow, Austin Chase, Dustin Stedman, Zach Mohs



## Prom Committee

Row 1: Sabrina Leier, Kristen Morgan Heley, Ally Carson Row 2: Elizabeth Bahr, Brianna Arens, Gwen Toay Row 3: Emily Bourassa, Allyson Hatchenski Row 4: Adviser Brita Bostad



## Sinfonia Orchestra

Left to right Row 1: Aubri Hatlen, Brenden Mandt Row 2: Cody Eisenbeisz, Gift Ben-Bernard, Hannah Frisco, Stephanie Carter, Matthew Hewitt Row 3: Krista Johnson, Olivia Gravel, Dorothee Kom, McKayla Campagna, Natalie Shea Row 4: Mia Schuster, NaTya Arndt, Madison Lura, Katie Merkel, Emily Driscoll Row 5: Sawyer Tucker, Richard Torrence-Davis Not Pictured: Feicia Borslien, Alexis Lohman, Nick Pfeifer, Grace Bailey, Jarod Smith, Amanda Cota, Casey Jonson, Alexis Huesby





From left to right: **Senior Kody Pearson** continues framing a house in his Building Trades class. **Photo by Logan Ahern.** **Sophomore Julia Fischer** prepares makeup before the showing of the "Beauty and the Beast." **Photo by Logan Ahern.** **Building Trades students** prepare a wall for one of the houses they are building. **Photo by Holly Bellinsky.** Students in "Beauty and the Beast" act in the first scene. **Photo by Logan Ahern.**

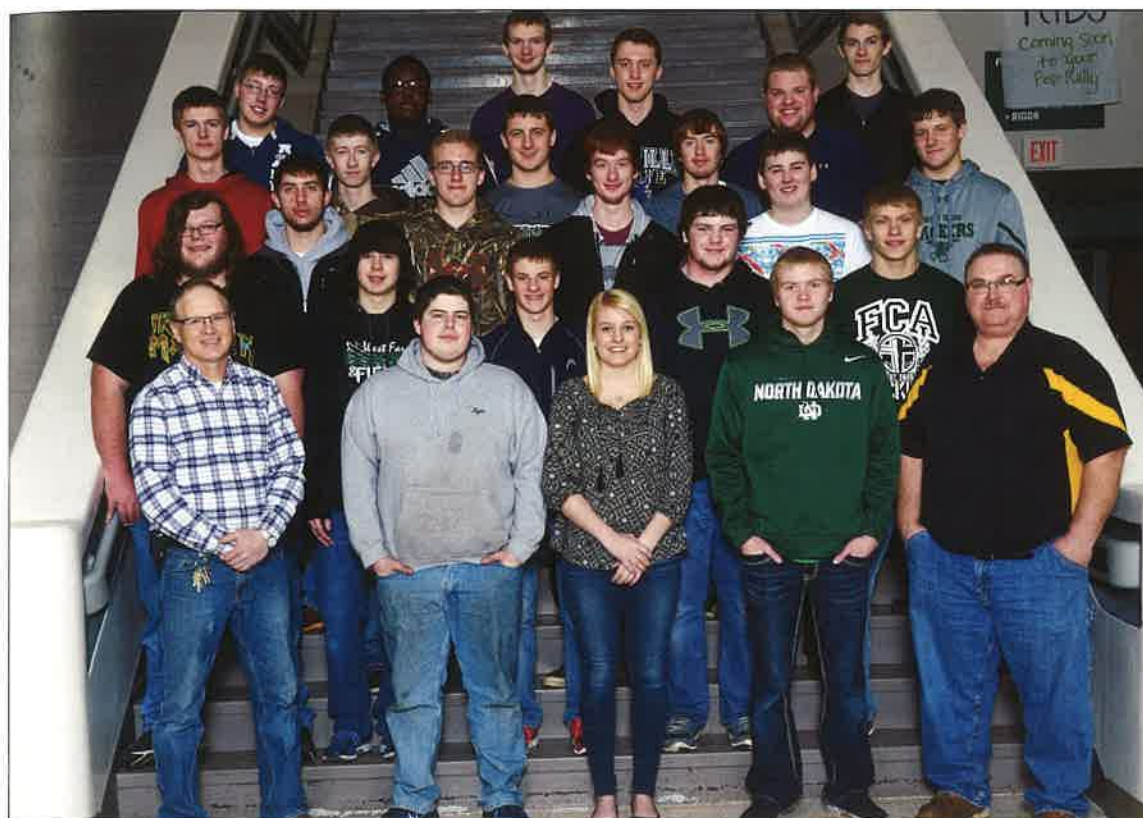
## Songwriters Club

**Row 1:** Arizona Hidalgo-Crowe, Kaitlin Blake, Melissa LaPort **Row 2:** Brandon Witt, Bryan Tasava **Row 3:** Mia Schuster



## SKILLS USA

**Row 1:** Adviser Bob Bjovenson, Zach Lyon, Haley Hugelen, Nick Carlson, Adviser Jerry Nordstrom **Row 2:** Leighton Bush, Brendan Smith, Mason Kuhn, Justin Husler, Cody Howe **Row 3:** Michael Gores, Zach Zander, Alex Burton, Jon Dill **Row 4:** Matthew Keller, Justin Schulz, Dylan Anthony, Grant Lind, Devon Stroh **Row 5:** Trenton Walsh, Sokiri Maula, Bryant Berg, Austin Bonnema, Kolby Pearson, Bryce Conklin



## Symphonic Band

**Row 1:** Isabella Herrera Grant, Adrien Lohman, Olivia Gravel, Natalie Shea, Mia Schuster, Arimeta Diop **Row 2:** Bethany Teets, Dalton Dunford, Emily Driscoll, Elizabeth Suppa, Shelby Wilhelm, Bobbi Frisco **Row 3:** Madison Miller, Max Adams, Erin Thostenson, Evan Hager, Richard Torrence, Soren Swanson, Anthony Peralta



## Thespians Society

**Row 1:** Isabella Herrera Grant, Adrien Lohman, Olivia Gravel, Natalie Shea, Mia Schuster, Arimeta Diop **Row 2:** Bethany Teets, Dalton Dunford, Emily Driscoll, Elizabeth Suppa, Shelby Wilhelm, Bobbi Frisco **Row 3:** Madison Miller, Max Adams, Erin Thostenson, Evan Hager, Richard Torrence, Soren Swanson, Anthony Peralta



## Varsity Football

Row 1: Richard Omang, Carter Hall, Bennett Rindy, Ewan Jones, Andrew Fischer, Ndimubandi Raphael, Tristian Eider, Dieuerci Christel, Devan Rindy, Sam Olsen, Treston Hisset, Brady Heisler Row 2: Tanner McKinnon, Tyler Walsvik, Zach Larson, Brett James, Logan Jaszowski, Andrew Johnson, Dante Genova, Nyabenda Eliachim, Dieuerci Mumbuko, Dylan Anthony, Hunter Ulmer Row 3: Brandon Bleecker, Creighton Pfau, Jacob Hoy, Ben Dirks, Jordan Faircloth, Brady Krogstad, Daniel Lopez, Jayden Sokiri Malula, Tyler Sandvig, Josh Wibbels, Andy Boyer Row 4: Amer Bektas, Nolan Becher, Alex Talley, Anthony Nichols, Josh Pistorius, Isaiah Hellend-Davis, Cody Hodenfield, David Pringle, Norman Nelson, Tristan Hayes Row 5: Eric Davison, Cody Klemmer, Austin Hannig, Zach Mohs, Seth Fretheim, Jared Marthe, Tyler



## Boys Cross Country

Left to right Row 1: Max McKinnon, John Emerson, Drew Mears, Keegan Cronin, Joshua Blostky Row 2: Brady Durbin, Brody Morris, Jared Kroke, Noah Schock Row 3: Head Coach Joe Bailey, Parker Rosenau, Matthew Dufner, Jarrett Lardy, Coach Brad Amundson Not pictured: Ibrahim Salou, Jacob Franek



## Girls Cross Country

Left to right Row 1: Grace Fairman, Alyssa Flom, Sydney Kramer, Ashley Johnson, Nicole Schreiner Row 2: Abbie Cleary, Jennifer Dufner, Ashley Dew, Alexis Young, Suzanne Dullum, Tiffany Kindem Row 3: Head Coach Joe Bailey, Shania Klug, Alexis Huseby, Andrea Milbrath, Coach Brad Amundson Not pictured: Ganiyatou Salou



## Girls Golf

Row 1: Mariah Peters, Brianna Mohs, Mollie Gast, Allison Schmidt, Katie Malista Appling, Ashley Johnson Row 2: Maggie Manson, Kate Anderson, Kraft, Anna Wohl, Madison Lura, Alison Row 3: Coach Chris Howell, Harii Dragt, Ashley Sierra Peterson, Brittney Johnson, Katie Alexis Kurtyka, head coach Dan Wolf

FRESHMAN CHRISTEN TYRIFTER tackle a North player. Photo by BRYANT CRABER. GRAYSON FAIRMAN a Grand Forks Central during a cross country meet. JUNIOR DEVAN RINDY ke a pass to one of his West Fargo played against the Mustangs. Photo by KAYLEE ALEXIS HUSEBY pushes in up a hill and pass many during a cross country. Senior ISAIAH HELLEND-DAVIS runs and dodges players in to make a touchdown. Orlando.



# Girls Soccer

From left to right: Row 1: Brianna Kulla, Erica Haekenkamp, Morgan Allard, Neva, Krista Johnson, Mia Duncan, Amanda Mears, Sydney Kramer, Andie, Emma Burtfield, Ivy Berogan, Jung, Madison Kramer Row 3: Amerdin Ekic, Shailey Lorenz, Alison, Riley Greenlund, Madison Urlaub, Olien, Faith Tenold, Kali Leiseth, sfield, Thomas Schroeder Row 4: Matt Crawford, Coach JoJo Haerter, lam Voigt, Head Coach James ch George Gould, Coach Dan y, Christian Engum, Amin Ahmed



# Girls Volleyball

From left to right: Row 1: McKenzie and Olivia Gravel Row 2: Coach : Odden, McKenzie VanHoom, , Tabitha Miller, Izzy Waite, ger KaeLeigh Johnson Row 3: ch Paula Pierson, Coach Trisha uren Limke, Brianna Arens, ta, Student Assistant Cody tats Lexi Stein- McAndrew na Plaff, Kailee Wallace, uson, Jadyn Cookman, and, Shelby Larsen, Darian ski, and Elizabeth Krueger



# Boys Golf

From left to right: Row 4: Co Head Coach Chuck Gad, Christian Oien, Drew Conzemius, Isaac Stormon, Co Head Coach Dan Wolf Row 3: Cole Johnson, Brendan Klug, Tanner Wilson, Hunter Moen, Riley Brandvold, Zach Zeeb Row 2: Matt Albright, Seth Holm, Brandon Olson, Noah Oien, Derrick Morris Row 1: Tyler Berg, Logan Schauer, Casey Krank, Jackson Worner



# Boys Tennis

From left to right: Row 1: Drake Westereng, Dylan Gagner, Spencer Swartz, Cameron Cook Row 2: Kyle Toy, North Knewtson, Neeraj Advani, Mohammed Mohammed, Joey Beske Row 3: Head Coach Chad Anderson, Kamden Baer, Keyan Farahmand, Brady Ballweber, Evan Poppenhagen, Coach Dennis Healy



From left to Right: CHEERING AFTER THEIR SET, the girls varsity volleyball team regroup before starting the next volley. They continue to do this after every point played in the match. Photo by Holly Bellinsky. GETTING READY TO swing, junior Jacob Quinton looks up in the air to find the tennis ball. Photo by Karyl Handash. LOOKING FOR AN available teammate, senior Mia Duncan prepares to throw the ball in. In soccer, "throw-ins" are done after a team kicks the ball out of the field of play. Photo by Holly Bellinsky. DRIVING FOR THE ball, senior Isabel Waite scores the match point. Photo by Mandi Racazyky. SWINGING AT THE ball, senior Keyan Farahmand. During the match, Farahmand was facing a player from Grand Forks Central. Photo by



# Boys Swimming

Row 1: Noah Hulbert, Kasey Chase, Mason Anderson, James Doyel, Cooper Emerson, Jackson Walker, John Emerson, Carson Keller, Austin Matt Montplaisir, Jarrett Lardy, Tanner Jacob Nygaard, Tyler Kingsly, Tyler Row 3: Coach Alan Repak, Sarah R, Rachael Hulbert, Alex Walker, Stephen Hulbert, Andrew Smith, Nich Marsha Dahl



# Girls Swimming

Row 1: Aimee Resell, Eden Neva, JOZIE Nelson, Sydney Soine, Abby Tykwinski, Lynn Salter, Cami Birrenkott, Molly Mikopf, Sophie Weisz, Serenity Olen Row 2: Kailey Donarski, Casey Bergdahl, Cora Laufenberg, Mariah Heisa, Mykin Luning, Haley Hugelen, Bailey Riehl, Kyla Spaeth, Averi Dawkins, Jaelyn Row 3: Gracie Saux, Jillian Hjelden, Haley Pederson, Hannah Nelson, Allison Berg, Cora Riehl, Kyla Peterson, Amanda St. Aubin, Emily Jasssa, Jaxie Carlson, Arianna Sjoblom, Kayla White Row 4: Coach Barb Fisher, Nich Nicole Johnson, Student Manager Montplaisir, Makayla Henricks, Kyla Peterson, Carley Rortvedt, Brianna Row 5: Kayla White, Maddy Neva, Sarah Montplaisir, Student Manager Jacob Beard, Student Manager Austin Chase, and Coach Sally Richardson, Diving Coach Kelsey Jandro



# Girls Basketball

Row 1: Jaeden Metcalf, Alison Enno, Nicole Heinen, Cassidy Nelson, Madeline Schatz, Jenaya Wentz Row 2: Makenna Peters, Rylee Offermann, Gabrielle DuBois, Keely Walker, Shelby Larsen, Head Coach Barb Metcalf, Akealy Moton, Kennedy Sand, Elizabeth Krueger, Coach Michael Best, Coach JoJo Haerter

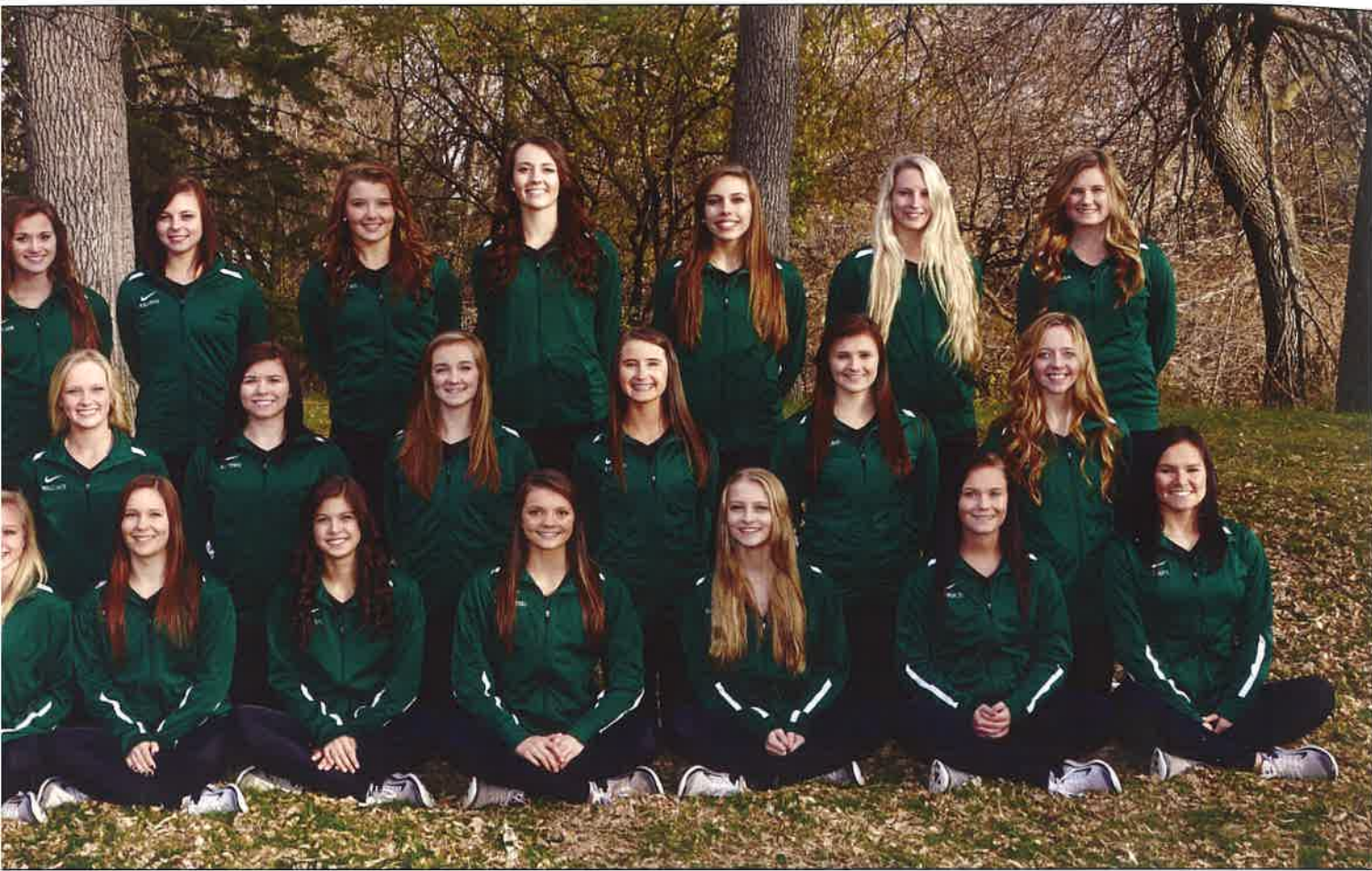


# Boys Basketball

Row 1: Delaney Falman, Mackenzie Ste, Marie, Kelsey Bishoff, Alexis Young Row 2: Tyson Jelinek, Jacob Hodenfield, Coach Rick Anderson, Coach Greg Limke, Coach Dale Olson, Coach Jim Jonas, Ben Holland, Austin Bonnema Row 3: Andrew Heisler, Bennett Besnon, Joshua Pistorius, Creighton Pfau, Melvin Collins, Ahmed Aden, Adam Idso, Alex Talley, Brady Heisler



From left to right: Junior Katelyn Sand dribbles the ball towards the net at a home game. Sand blocks a defensive player from Century from stealing the ball. Photo by Holly Belinsky. Holmes chases the ball, senior Adam Idso looks for a teammate to pass to. The Packers won their home game. Photo by Breana Orlando. Before his work, senior Austin Chase gets focused. Chase grips the block and looks down in his cap and goggles. Photo by Breana Orlando. Taking the ball down the court junior Elizabeth Krueger makes an offensive drive for the basket. Krueger bypasses her opponent and goes straight in to make a shot. Photo by Holly Belinsky. Junior Jaxie Carlson swims at a meet during the fall season. Carlson goes up for breath between her strokes. Photo by Ross Pergande.

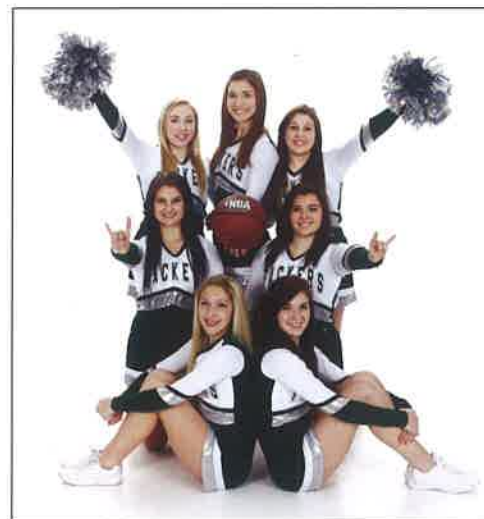


## Packatahna

Left to Right: Row 1: Libby Bahr, Samantha Heinen, Lindsay Bachand, Brie Pulczynski, Jayden Halverson, BreAnna Rohrich, Breanna Kaul. Row 2: Kinsey Wallace, Morgan Reiten, Hailey Larken, Riley Huffman, Drew Mapes. Row 3: Heather Boerger, Brenna Kearns, Kelsey Flanery, Sydney Lund, MiKayla Heupel, Stephanie Carter, Hadley Huffman

## Cheer

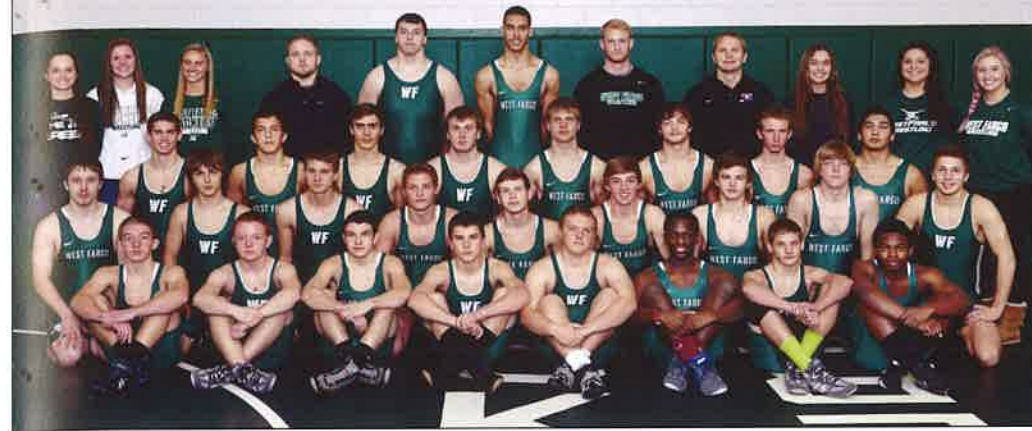
Varsity Boys Basketball Cheer Row 1: Annemarie Mattem, Annie Mattem. Row 2: Karli Kluth, Madeline Swick. Row 3: Morgan Heley, Bailey Johnson, Kaitlyn Mattem.



With the cheerleaders leading the crowd, the students perform the cheer. During each football game the student council led different themes to help the students build up their support for the football team. Photo by Logan Ahern. Junior James Berkley took down the ice. With this, he hopes to make it down the ice. Photo by Breana Oriando. Junior Grant Ellensson moves the offensive player to protect his goal. As a defensive player, his job is to prevent the offense from creating scoring opportunities. Photo by Sierra Balster. During the cheerleading potluck, senior Madison jumps into the air to do a toe-touch. Team performed during their parents. Photo by Erin Dagnault. During halftime, the cheerleaders perform their routine. A halftime regular during basketball games was energized with their coordination and stunts.



## WRESTLING



## Wrestling

Left to Right: Row 1: Michael Franek, Michael Johnson, Keegan Cronin, Lincoln Kranz, Lucas Edgerly, Eric Dunbar, Justin Harms, Joseph Masumbuko. Row 2: Joshua Bultman, Alex Hettwer, Anthony Lorenzetti, Christian Ramberg, Ian Friswold, Jacob Franek, Cade Pederson, Brody Farmer, Jordan Shearer. Row 3: Dante Genova, Jesse Shearer, Jackson Gravel, Xach Lehmann, Chase Tiekem, Weston Dobler, Jordan Gianakos, Alby Rodriguez. Row 4: Ivy Berogan, Andrewa Wagemann, Alyssa Smith, Assistant Coach Kevin Fynboh, Brandon Metz, Noah McDonald, Assistant Coach Dustin Kleppe, Head Coach Kayle Dangerud, Cassie Stevens, Mariah Dobler, Haley Kringle. Not Pictured: Assistant Coach Ben Berogan, Riley Kringle, Jake Scholl, Zach Willis.

## Girls Hockey

Left to Right: Row 1: Student Manager Courtney Sorlien, Alexis Lemley, Halle Spiedel, LeAnne Brydl, Morgan Stirling, Megan Berginski, Talwxi Gasal, Student Trainer Brittany Nathan. Row 2: Head Coach Pat Johnson, Student Manager Madison Arthur, Jessica French, Anna Promersberger, Hunter Spielvogel, Elyssa Derrig, Madison Nelson, Mackenzie Kaskowski, Coach Darin Bardahl. Row 3: Taylor Stewart, Maleah Stromme, Gillian Sauter, Paige Lazorenko, Courtney Walsh, Janey Sandoval, Matyson Barta.

## Boys Hockey

Left to Right: Row 1: Danielle Dube, Allison Munyer, Allison Schwark. Row 2: Darek Turner, Stone Sandoval, Adrian Tirado, Grant Lind, Grant Ellenson, Riley Bareberg, Jake Hoy, Kody Coles, James Beaty, Nick Salquist, Austin Schoenberg, Colton Espe. Row 3: Goalie Coach Brendan Jenson, Co-Head Coach Troy Miller, Brody Sherod, Tyler Veen, Logan Ridder, Ben Dirks, Nolan Borchardt, Blake Boyer, Brendan Klug, Stephan Mallery, Coach Ryan Griggs, Co-head Coach Tim Capouch. Not Pictured: Cole Yliniemi, Carter Herring, Coach Jason Triplett, and Goalie Coach Mitch Semanko

# SENIOR ADS

and friends have the opportunity to send messages of  
agement to the 2015 West Fargo High School graduates.



You're a great kid with an amazing future. Believe in yourself and the possibilities are endless!  
Love,  
Mom and Dad

**Andrew Fischer**



We are all so proud of everything you have accomplished and we look forward to watching you continue to succeed and grow.  
Love Mom, Dad, and Tucker

**Samara Strack**



Congratulations! We know how hard you worked to get here. We are very proud of you! You will be wonderful at whatever you do!

Love Rich, Tonya, Carly, Mara & Susan Douglas

**Chelsey Cressman and Toby Kindem**



From a proud mom and dad to our rocking high schooler, now you're a grad and 20% cooler!  
All our love,  
Mom and Dad

**Jordan Knighten**



Austin, I am so proud of you. You are my greatest blessing and I will be your biggest fan.  
Love always,  
Mom

**Austin Ridgway**



Congratulations Brianna! We are so proud of you and all of your accomplishments. You have grown into a beautiful, kind, and caring young woman. Continue to let your light shine and be yourself.  
Love always,  
Mom and Dad

**Brianna Faul**



Congratulations! We are proud of you! Good luck with all your future wishes!  
Love,  
Mom and Dad

**Ryan Meyer**



MOMO, an amazing young woman, glad you belong to us. Your new journey is beginning...  
ENJOY  
Grandma Boomer and Bumpa

**Morgan Petersen**



Can't believe 18 years have gone by so quickly! We look forward to watching all the things you are going to accomplish in the years to come! Proud of you and always here for you!  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Maddie

**Alyssa Flom**



We are very proud of everything you have accomplished and are excited for the ventures that are coming your way!  
Love,  
Mom and Dad

**Anthony Nichols**



Congratulations Josh! Your positive attitude, perseverance, and the power of prayer proved to be successful. We are proud of you.  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, Jeremy, Jon, and Joe

**Josh Distonious**



You overcame many difficulties in your early school years and you finally made it! Congratulations on your achievements! Remember to talk to God daily. Stay active in church and music. Keep working at your unique gift for writing. Be blessed.

Love always,  
Mom and Dad

## Felicia Borslien



Congratulations Drew!  
I'm so proud of you!  
Love,  
Mom

## Drew Conzemius



We are so proud of you!  
We know you'll succeed  
in all you do!  
Love,  
Dad and Mom

## Zachary Lehmann



Mariah,  
You are loved for the little girl you were then. The special woman you are now. And the wonderful older sister you have always been. Congratulations on finishing this chapter of your life! Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to pursue your dreams.

We love you,  
Dad, Mom, & Tina

## Mariah Hendrickson



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senior Sheridan Amb performs for the audience at the launch night of the Exprimere literary magazine. Amb was one of many students to show their talents. Photo by Arimeta Diop. audience senior Arimeta Diop reads her poetry written in the magazine. All year, students had the opportunity to submit their creative work to be published in the magazine. Photo by Ashley Dew. speeches: seniors Logan Ahern and Emily Chadwick explain to the audience how they started Exprimere. Exprimere is latin for "expression" and they wanted to promote student creativity. Photo by Arimeta Diop. song: senior Jaeden Schaan sings. Schaan sang for half an hour while the event



Senior Natalie Shea sings a solo in the Beast production. This was the first time she has performed in the play between Shyenne and Logan. Photo by Logan Ahern.



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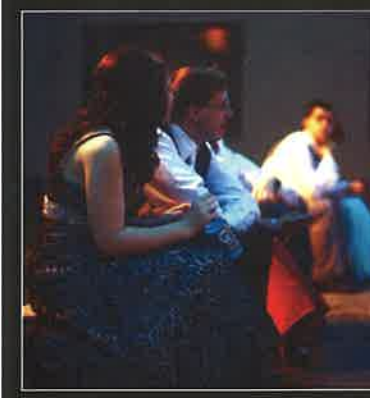
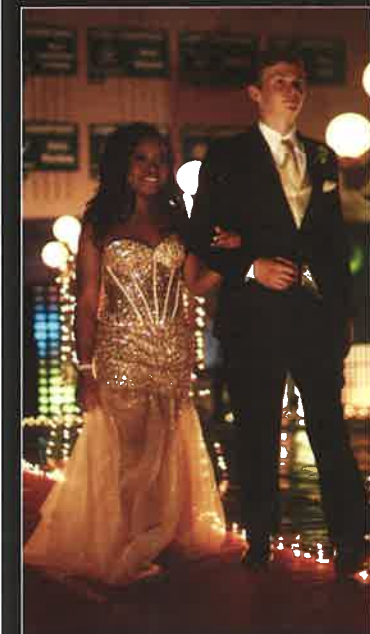
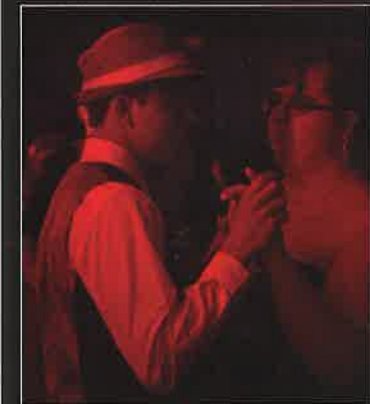


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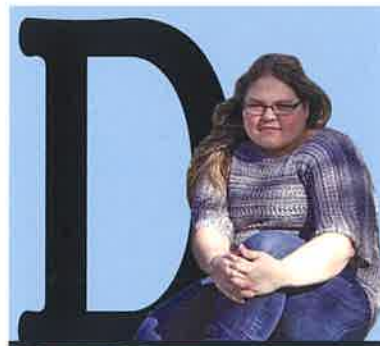
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Carley Bauer dances to a slow song at Prom. Couples were monitored by teachers to prevent inappropriate dancing. Photo by Logan Ahern.



Senior Lizzie Malinas poses for pictures. There were three opportunities for walkers to stop at and take pictures. Photo by Logan Ahern.

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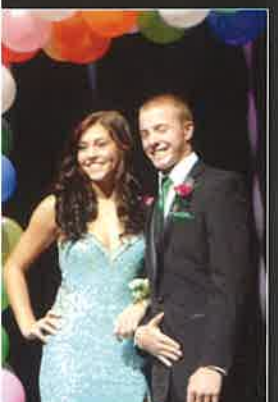
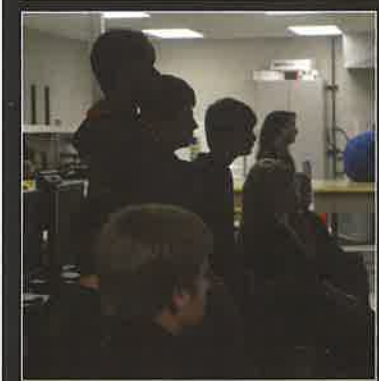


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Senior Bailey Ahnenson explains the purpose of First Robotics to listeners. Most school organizations host an information meeting for interested students. Photo by Annie Matern.

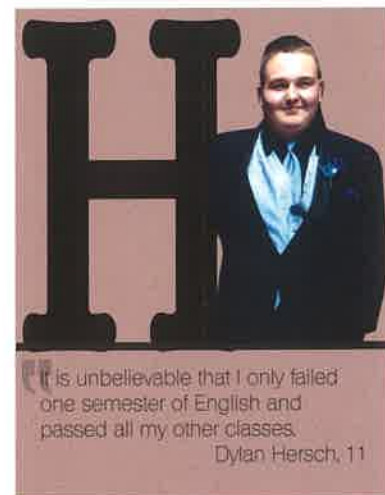


of the Homecoming court, juniors and Aly Carson stand at the podium as the couples walked on the stage. Photo by Breana Orlando.



senior Jessica Olan tells Pich and junior Christel Ndamba how to make the batter. French club baked a cake for Epiphany. Photo by Ashley Dew. Freshman Clarissa Meyer follows the recipe: she called the gallettes du roi. Photo by Ashley Dew. sophomore Alka Singh mixes the batter in the electronic mixer. Photo by Ashley Dew. French teacher Madame Thibaut sets the table for the Epiphany celebration.

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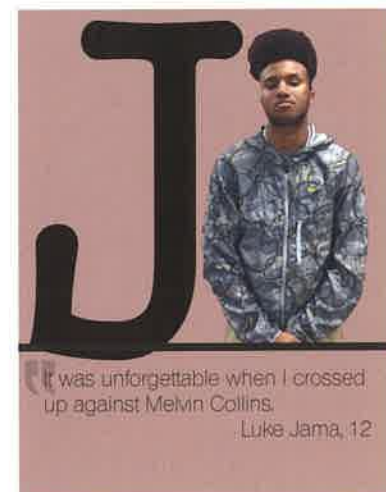
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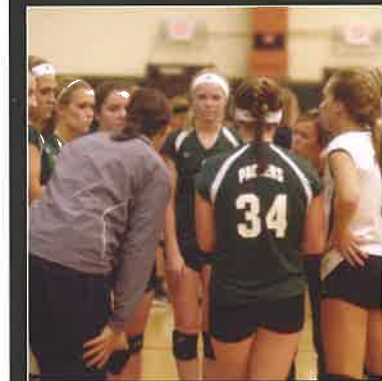


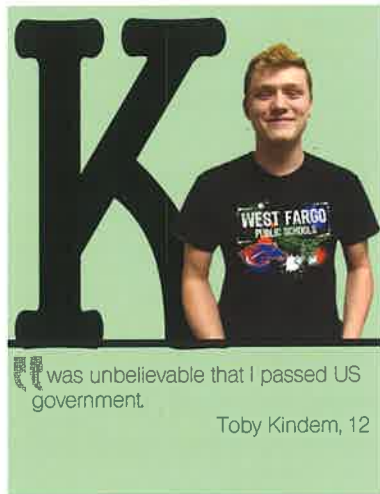
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band instructor, Sue Jordahl makes sure everything is in place for the Homecoming Parade. The WFHS band walks in the parade every year. Photo by Ashley Dew.  
peers, senior Erin Thostenson uses her flag to guide the crowd for the Parade. Thostenson and the rest of the band students are following an act relating to "Follow the Leader." Photo by Ashley Dew.  
instructions, senior Bailey Whitehead on trombone and junior Josh Binehart on trumpet anticipate what they will have to do next. The Homecoming Parade is a required grade for students in band class. Photo by Ashley Dew.  
Junior Nathaniel Ingebreton blows into his trombone. A trombone is a member of the brass family and makes noise based on the vibration of lips. Photo by Ashley Dew.



Football team lines up to play at High School. Packers won by a 14-10 final score. Photo by Breana Orlando.  
Almar and Jordan Faircloth work as the ball from Central High School. Their help they received the ball for Photo by Breana Orlando.

more Haboniman Simon and junior both work together to get the ball for the tackle. Helped add to the whopping 57-0 Packers scored. Photo by Breana Orlando.  
Sophomore Chase Trehan.



grades from the speech concession stand. School organization for the concessions to raise money. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski. Nikita Schwab prepares to grab a concession offers taco in a bag, pizza, pretzels for hot food. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski. Nico makes food for a customer from the Little

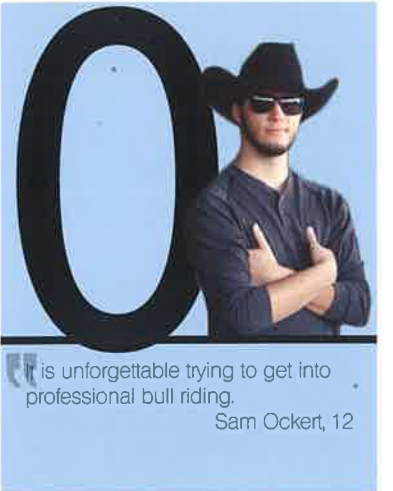
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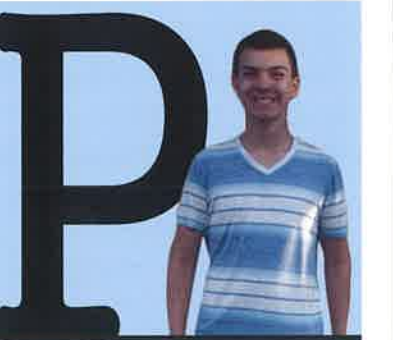
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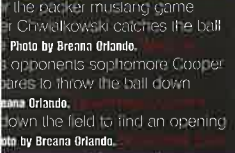


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concession stand. NHS senior Shaloni Shakamari makes the perfect blanket to donate to a homeless child. NHS consists of students applicable to be in the organization with a GPA of a 3.5 or higher. Photo by Sierra Balster. Cassie Houser also cuts a blanket to create for a homeless child. Houser uses a flower pattern with bright happy colors to bring joy to the child receiving the blanket. Photo by Sierra Balster. knot senior Remington Court is in the early stages of creating her blanket. This is not the first time that NHS has created tie blankets to donate to homeless children of North Dakota. Photo by Sierra Balster. Cassie Houser knots on her orange blanket, junior Cassidy Brown enjoys the almost finished product. Brown talks with the other members of NHS making their blankets for the homeless children. Photo by Sierra Balster.





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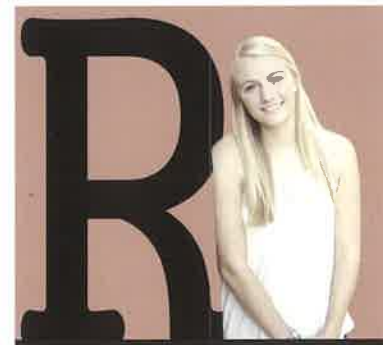
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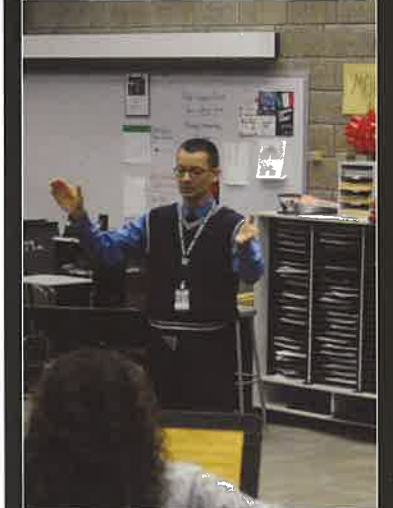
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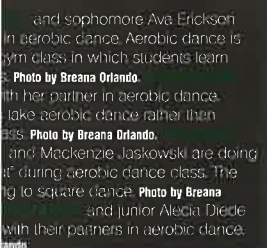
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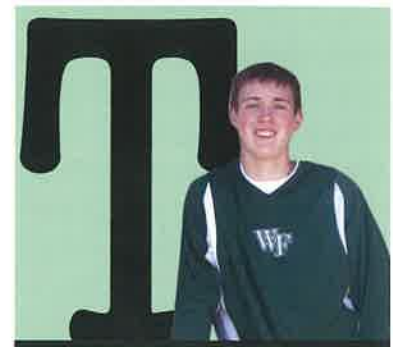




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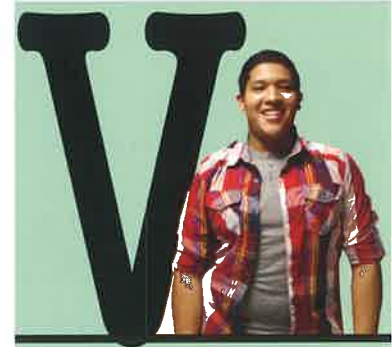
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Yearbook juniors Mykin Gunning and attempt to find the best ideas for committee consists of junior students from. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski. their eyes, juniors Kailey Donarski and gather observations relating to grand march. Prom Committee members juniors, which left the committee to up in time. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski. around Prom Committee. Buzanoff, to catch up on how completed in planning for Prom. President of the junior class, Sabrina and Libby Bahr is Secretary. Photo by Elizabeth Ratchenski. book junior Amanda Beinskey or not she favors the certain look that juniors decide for the Prom is

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## NIPA Awards

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 Sports Writing-2nd place  
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 Photography Unique Angle-1st place  
 Sports Photography-1st place  
 Student Life Spread-honorable mention  
 Feature Photography-2nd place  
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 Sports Writing-1st place  
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 Photography Fill the Frame-1st place  
 Organization Writing-1st place  
 Photography Framing-honorable mention  
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 Ashley Dew  
**The Yearling won the sweepstakes state championship.**

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**Yearbook Sports Copy and Caption**  
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**Portrait Photography**  
 Ashley Dew-Excellent





This is it.

"It's time to take the red pill."

"I wanted to get the message across that as graduates we could either ignore our responsibilities (blue pill reference) or chose to live a life of service (red pill reference)." Cody Eisenbeisz

"It's now your choice to fall seven times or stand up eight."

"Graduation is a time for all 460 students to reinvent themselves into the aspiring adults they strive to be." Danielle Dube

# Remaining Undivided

Another year closes with the foreseeable high strung emotions emanating from seniors moving on to a new life, juniors finally taking on the top role, sophomores entering the dreaded junior year and the upcoming freshmen adapting to a new school after being split from their previous friends and classmates.

The sentimental will look back to reflect on yet another lucrative school year and others will eventually follow. National and state competitions have reached a peak as more innovators than ever have created service projects, such as the First Robotics team who displayed their talents at nationals and progressing to worlds.

These performances may be remembered, but what made this 2015 school year different is a story to reside in history. Together, the Packers prospered with each other while bonds unfolded as the school district made impactful changes for future generations. Across the interstate spawned another high school, which motivated a division. Remaining students will find more active faces with them in the halls next year as a freshman class, half taken from

the Sheyenne split, is added.

In the first football game between the Packers and Sheyenne, senior Ben Strahm stood before the following classes and our new rivals, tearing a Mustang branded bandana, officially eradicating any prospective future of peace. In his brief intervention, the student section underwent an act of a progressive movement. Forever, the foes of the bull will be the orange horse. Enmity will radiate through us together to shape the chain that ties us all in alliance.

Only at WFHS will teachers completely reenact the Katy Perry halftime show, students sleep in an extra hour all the while attending another year of Innovation Hour and custodians clean up a glitter explosion from the student section at the pep rally.

Undivided is a term to represent every student at West Fargo High. What remains is our support and encouragement will forever be remembered from this tireless school year. These events solidified our bond and will permanently prevail as our legacy.

Logan Ahern

