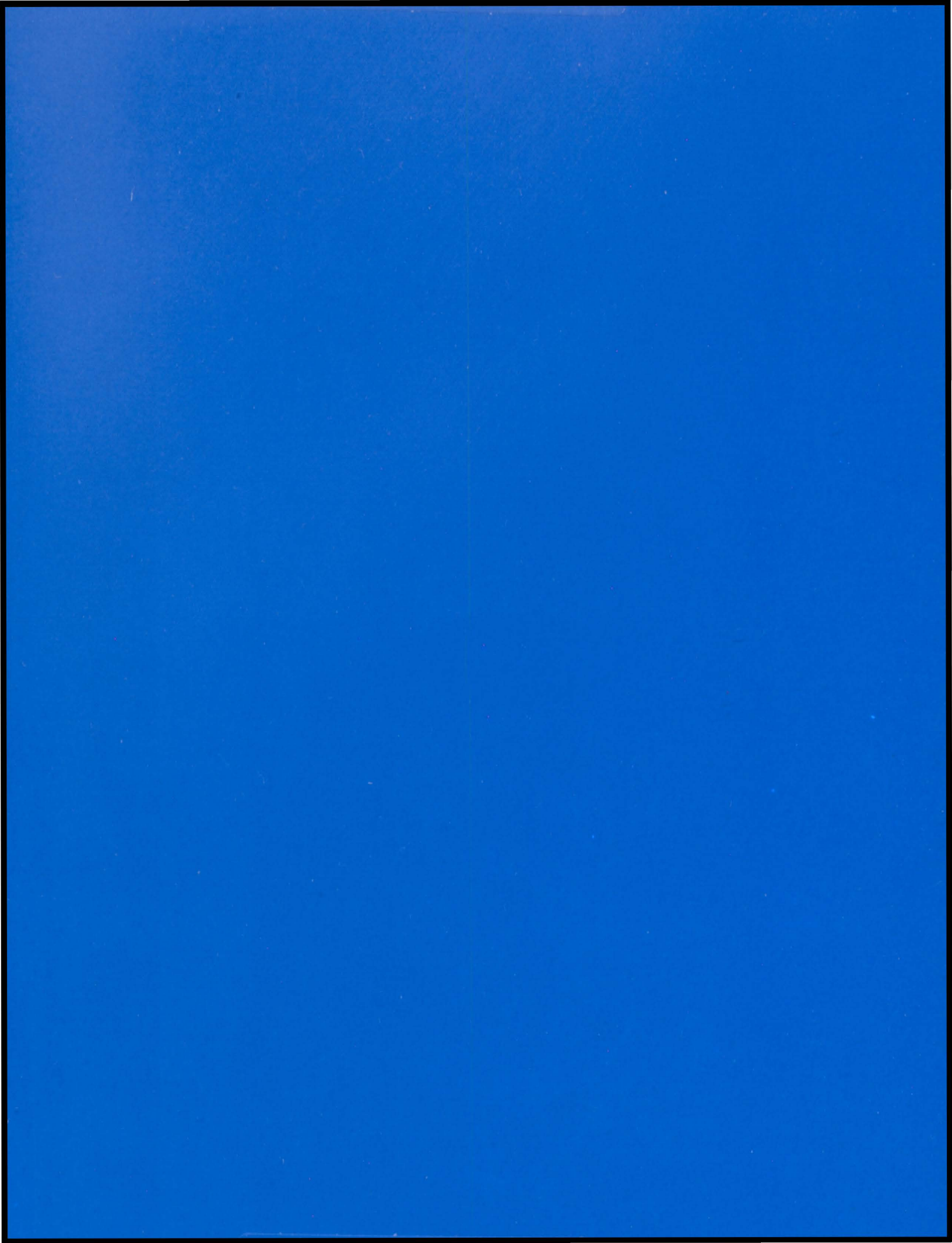
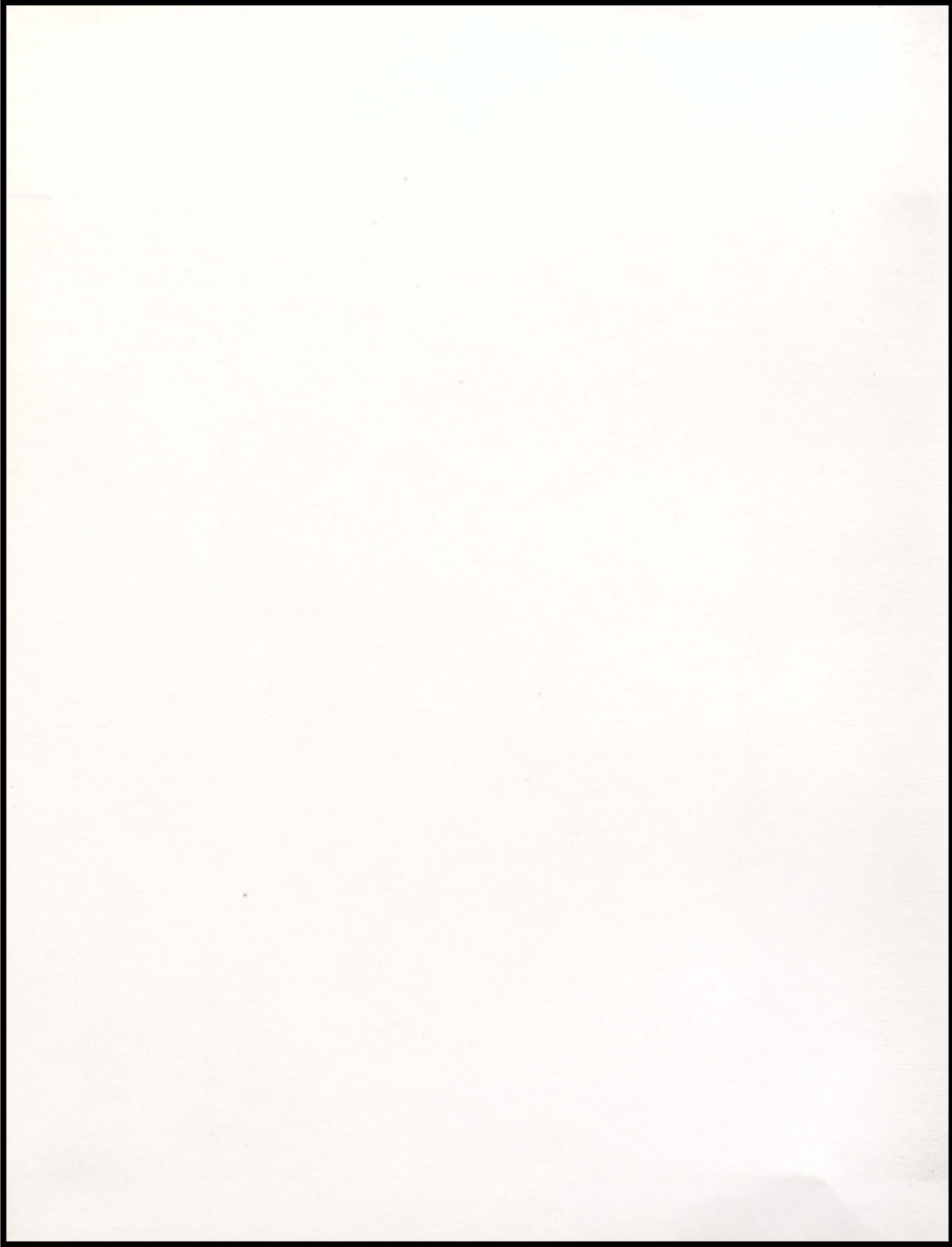


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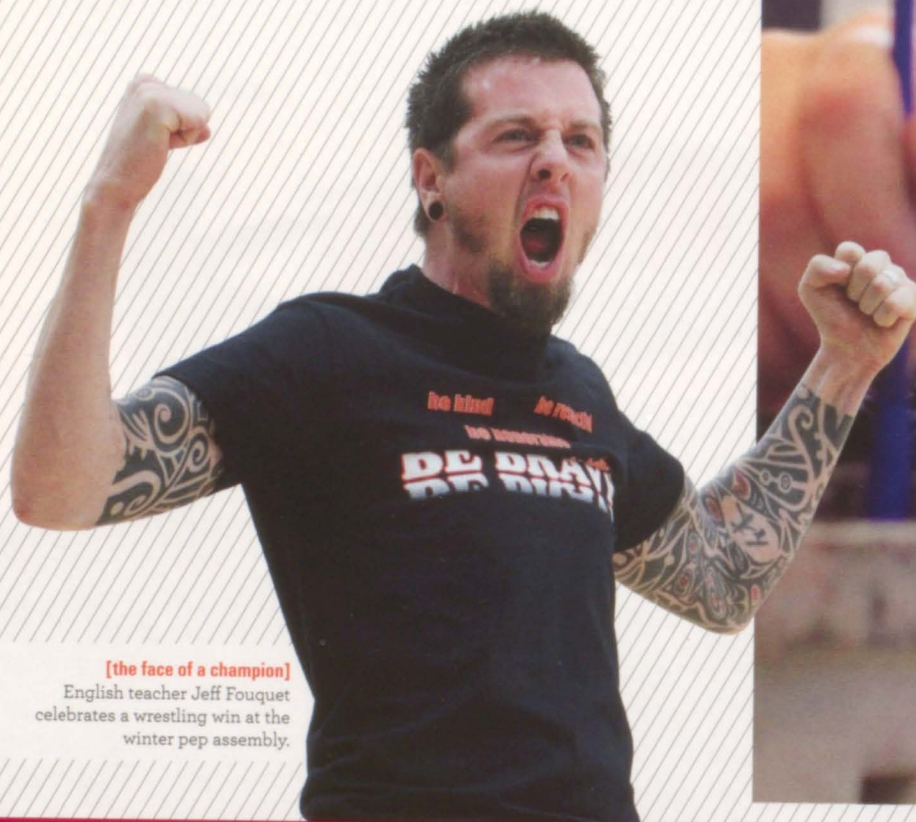


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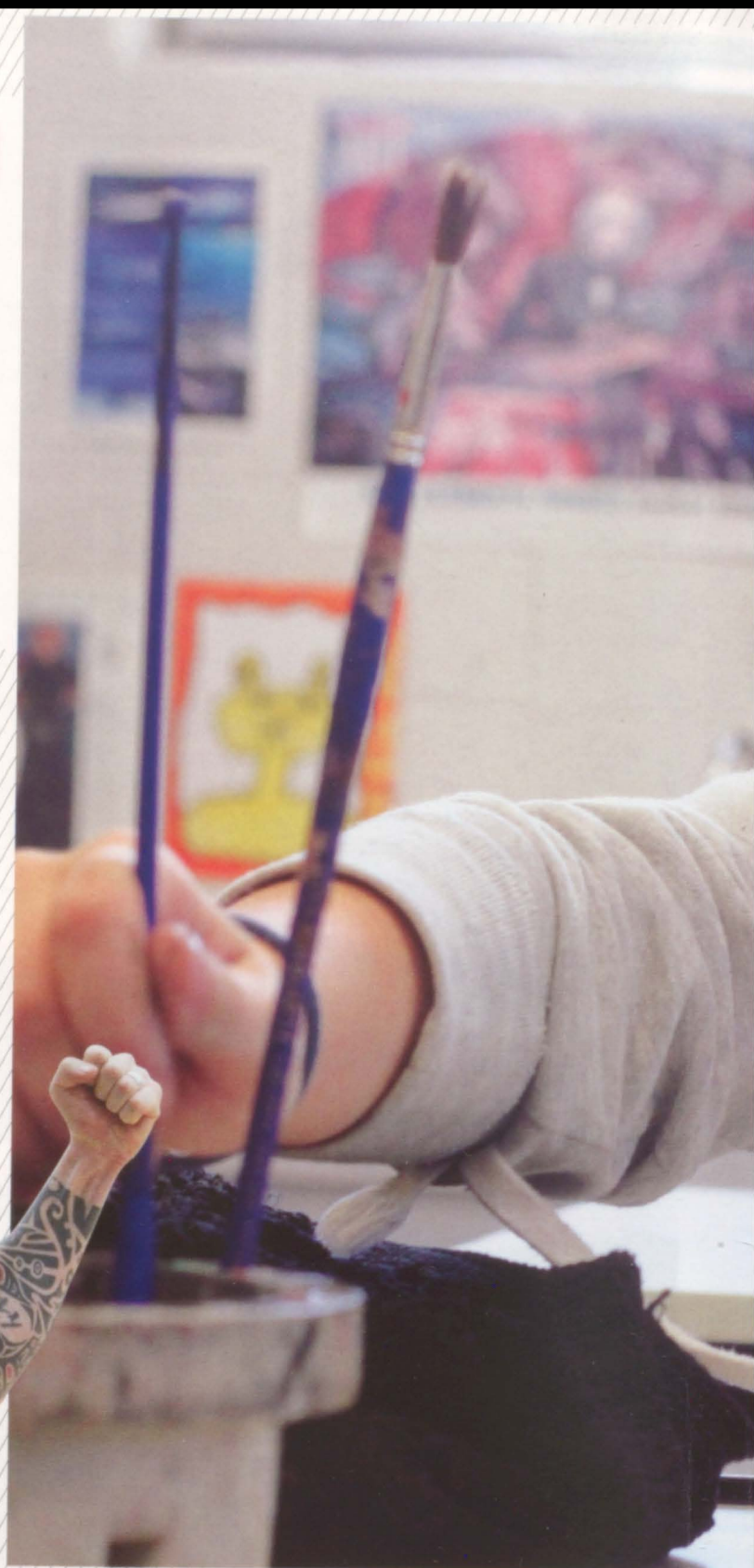
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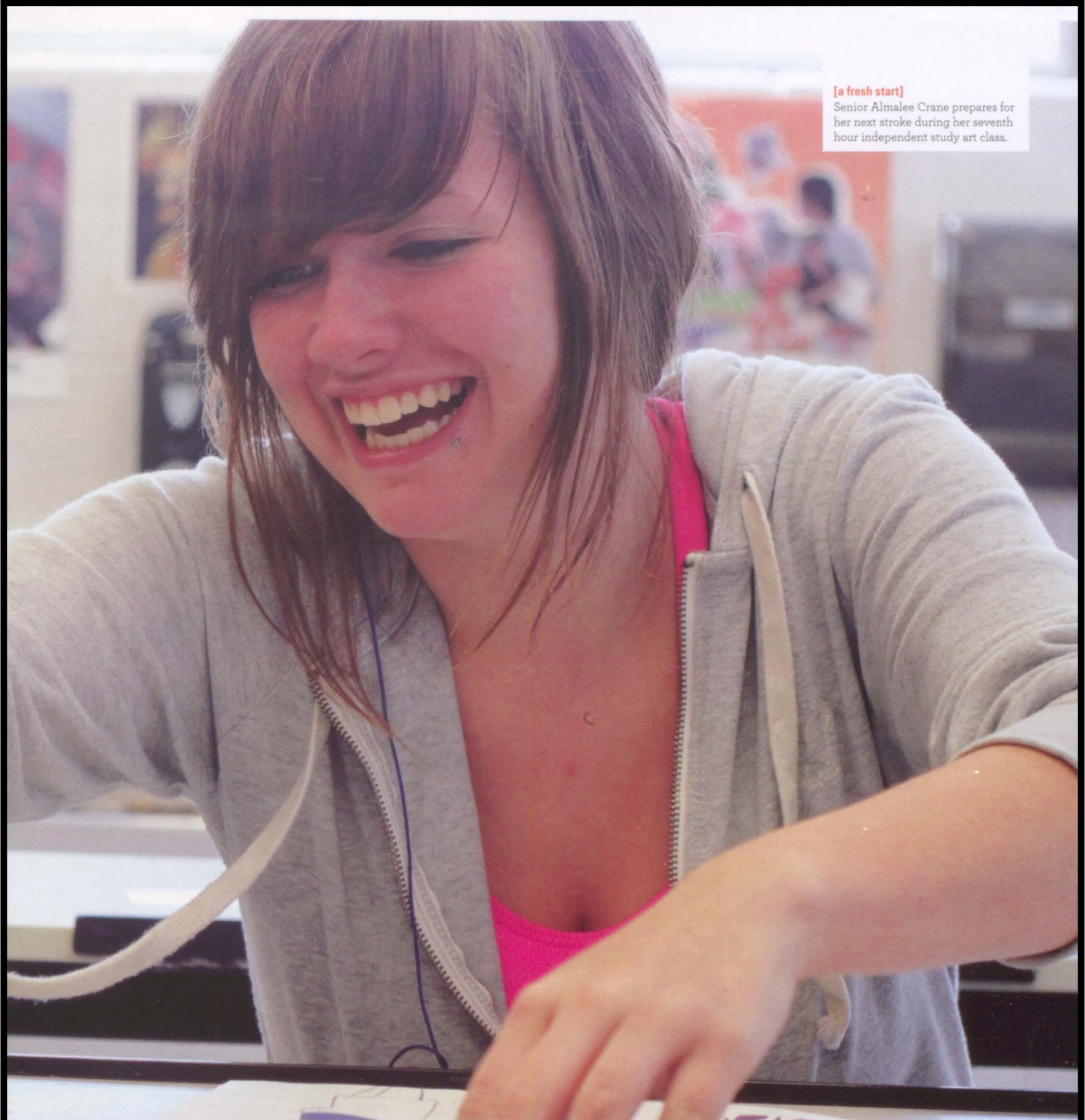
Make a difference,  
**Make a Statement.**



**[the face of a champion]**

English teacher Jeff Fouquet celebrates a wrestling win at the winter pep assembly.





**[a fresh start]**  
Senior Almalee Crane prepares for her next stroke during her seventh hour independent study art class.

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# Statements are made every day.

Some of them are big: which friends to leave behind or which college to choose. Some of them are small: what color to dye your hair or whether or not to eat another brownie.

Maybe you chose to share your statements with the world: posting your daily vine, updating your hipster blog, doing the Harlem Shake in the locker room with the girls' basketball team, or uploading your new haircut to Instagram.

Maybe your statements were private, like finishing your first 5k and going to Dairy Queen to celebrate or voting in your first presidential election.

Perhaps it was wearing buttons of your favorite bands or changing your nail polish every week that stood to show your true colors.

Regardless of what it was, we all had something to share, some statement to make.

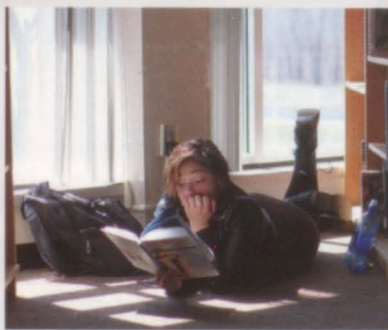
The world is your audience, so just remember:

In all that you do,  
you Make a Statement.



**[loud and proud]**

Juniors Kristina Holgerson, Destini Colvin, and Chanler Hadley-Colene raise their voices in support for the Braves.



**[quiet corner]**

Junior SaraFina Hill reads contentedly in the library during the solitude of projects time.

# HIGH SCHOOL



# Statements | *what's yours?*



**[force and flexibility]**

Freshman Adrienne Alder does a roundhouse kick during a class at Grand Master Kim's. "I've been doing taekwondo for over a year, and I just got my blue belt with a white stripe. I enjoy it because it let's be active instead of just sitting on my coach watching TV. My whole family participates."

**[say it with style]**

Junior Itzel Soto shows off her latest look. "Fashion is a way to express yourself without having to say anything," Soto said. "You get to see the creative side of people in what they choose to wear. Even though bargain shopping is my hobby, clothes are not the most important thing in my life."



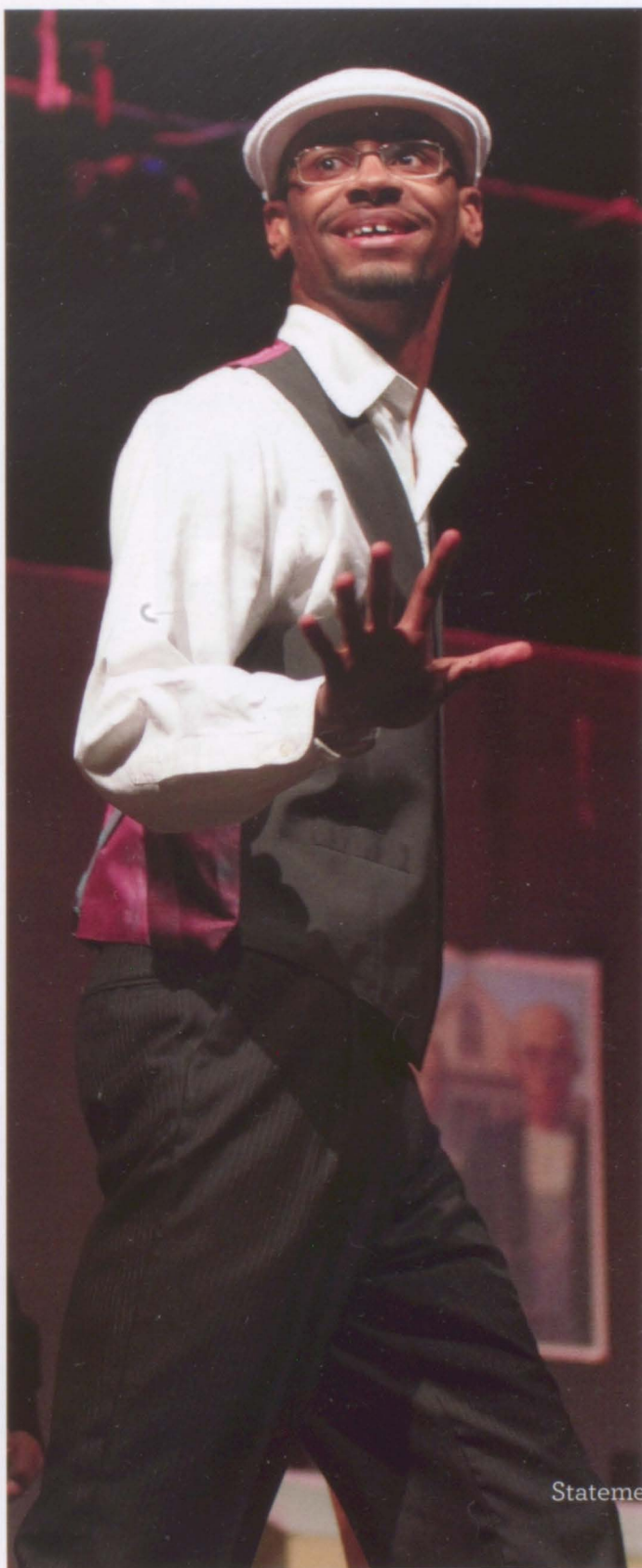


**[maxing out]**

Junior Devon Lamberd bench presses in Lucas Aslin's third-hour weight training class. "I took the class to get better in football, and I also lift during the summer in the conditioning program that Coach Aslin runs. I like football since it's a contact sport, and I enjoy the opportunity to be on the field with my friends."

**[bright lights]**

Senior T.J. Kimbrough-French enjoys his time on the stage during the spring play. "When I'm on stage, I try to project my voice as loudly as possible so everyone can hear me, and I also try to have as much fun with my character as I possibly can," Kimbrough-French said. "I'm all about having fun and making people laugh."



# student [life]



Katelyn Cochran [11]



Luis Gardea & Cassidy Holloway [12]



Kolby Seaton & Ben Moore [9]

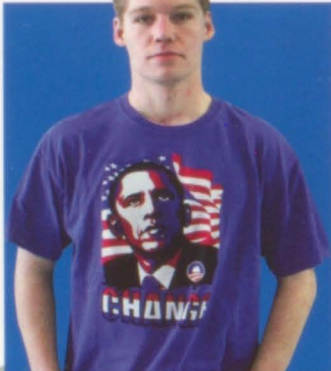


**[absorbing the culture]**  
Sophomore Samuel Nelson, left,  
and junior Austin Schuler examine  
an Hispanic art exhibit during a  
Spanish Honor Society trip to the  
Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art.



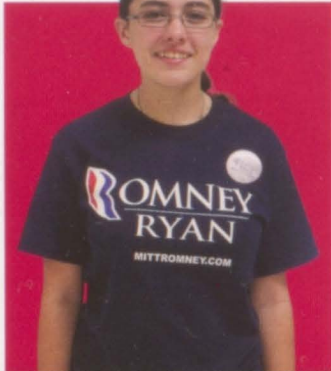
# 4 MORE years

// andrea wigglesworth



Barack  
Obama

VS



Mitt  
Romney

"Voting for the first time was a very nerve-racking experience. I didn't know what to expect when I stepped up to the voting booth. I voted for Barack Obama because I felt like he was more sincere and honest to the people whereas Romney seemed to change his opinions on some topics throughout his candidacy. Obama and I also tended to agree on topics such as gay rights and health care, and I felt like he looked out for the middle class while Romney seemed to only care about the top one percent. I'm glad the candidate I voted for was elected for a second term."

Ryan Schuler [12]

"It was an extraordinary feeling to be able to vote in the 2012 election. I felt Mitt Romney was the best candidate for me and for this country. Romney has a strong family and belief system that he runs by. In this election there were a lot of important topics up for debate like abortion and immigration. I agreed more with Romney than I did with Obama. I also felt that Romney was a strongest and clearest speaker. On the night of the election results, I was a nervous wreck. I was so hoping my candidate would win, but in the end, the people thought that Barack Obama was the better candidate."

Renaë Maxey [12]

## 2 days [too] LATE



"Unfortunately, my birthday is Nov. 8, so I was not able to vote. I was pretty bummed, but I still followed the election pretty intensely. From early on in the campaigns, I supported Barack Obama. I agreed more than I agreed with any of the other candidates. If I had been able to vote, I would have voted for him."

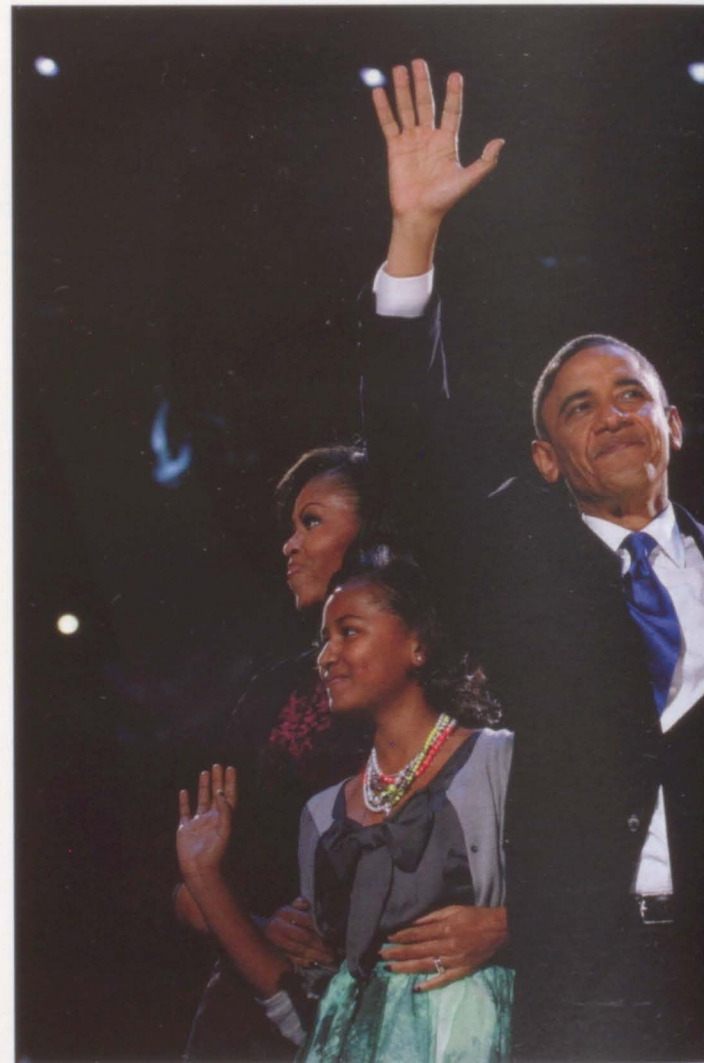
Peter Swanson [12]

### [speaking his views]

Senior Jonothan Brantley gives a presidential speech for re-election during a first-semester mock debate hosted by Sara Cady's 6th Hour Contemporary Issues class. Brantley tried to put his views into a model that would work for everyone, rounded out the election, finishing second.

### [acting as president]

Sophomore Darien Stogner delivers his speech at the mock debate. The speech included his party's views on abortion, gay marriage, drug abuse, and crime. "We considered our party to be liberal conservative because we had views that fit under both types," Stogner said.





# GETTING [in] character

"I was a vice presidential candidate running with Darien Stogner. For the mock debate, I delivered a speech on our group's platform. I also included personal details about Darien in my speech. It was fun because by the time I performed my speech, I had forgotten what I wrote, so I pretty much winged an entire two-minute speech."

Hailey Kendrick [10]



"If I had been old enough, I would have voted for Obama because I liked his health care."

Miguel Miranda [12]

## Listen.Talk.



For her sixth hour American Government class, Jennifer Schlicht opened up a chat room on Todays Meet for students to utilize during the presidential debates. "I liked using Todays Meet," senior Shawn Bryant said. "It helped me understand the debates a lot better. Everyone was willing to help explain what was going on."

### TodaysMeet

#### Listen.

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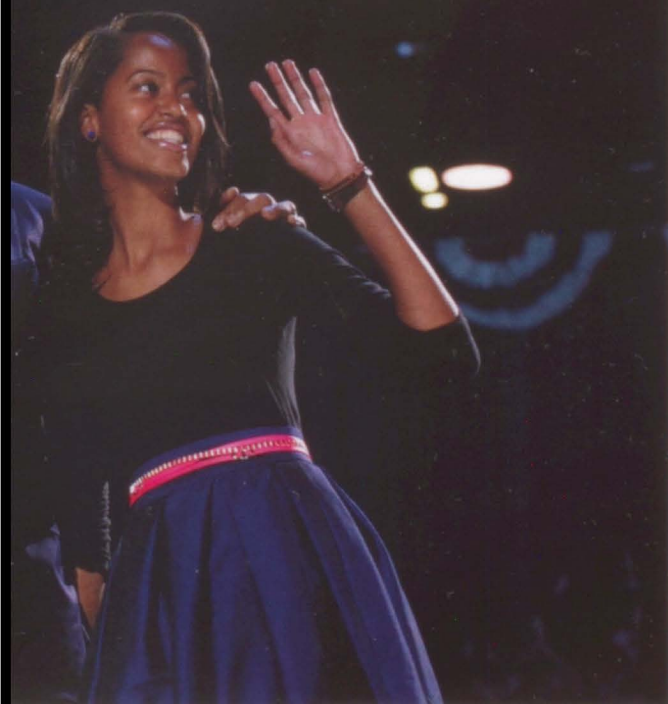
Obama won

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of popular votes

topping Romney's

48%



## ON [the] money

Senior Branson Deeter correctly predicted the final Electoral College tally



"When making my map for our government class project, I looked online to see which states were leaning towards Republican or Democrat. I put 'electoral states' into Google and found some helpful websites. Mostly, I used the prediction map on CNN.com, and I based most of my predictions off of that. When Mrs. Schlicht told me I guessed all of the numbers correctly, 303 to 206, I felt pretty smart. For a prize, she gave me a \$10 gift card to QuickTrip."

Branson Deeter [12]

// taylor coleman

# Let the [games] BEGIN

[Homecoming kicks off early]

During the week of Sept. 10-14, the earliest Homecoming has been for a while, things were crazy at the bus barn after school. Working to win, seniors, juniors, sophomores, and freshmen all came together to complete their floats for the parade.

Each class was required to incorporate the Olympic theme and the opposing Bishop Ward Cyclones in their float. Each class had a total of 8 hours to complete their float.

"I enjoyed how everyone worked and came together to make the float. We all agreed on things and everyone got along. My first year was a great experience, and I'm looking forward to next year," freshman Alexis Tendick said.



**[in focus]**

Junior Mikayla Ussery paints a key part of her class float in the hopes it will win the contest.



**[painting with pride]**

Senior Cord Cannon paints a ring for the winning senior float in the parade. "I really enjoyed that we all came together for something," Cannon said.

**[stapling the box]**

Freshman Katie Carpenter helps with the finishing touches of her float.



**[adding a stroke]**

Sophomore Gabrielle Bennett helps create the winning banner for the sophomore class.

**[doing her best]**

Junior Hannah Hunt sets hoola-hoop rings onto her float for one of the main effects.



## The Results

### The Floats

- First place: Seniors
- Second place: Juniors
- Third place: Sophomores
- Fourth place: Freshmen

### The Banners

- First place: Sophomores
- Second place: Juniors
- Third place: Freshmen
- Fourth place: Seniors



"I have always loved float construction because I feel like it brings everyone together."

Sydney Shepherd [12]

# Spirit Week



"I dressed in red, white, and blue not only for 'Merica Monday but also because they are KU colors. I got my skirt at Gordman's and wore some cowboy boots to finish off the look."

Micaela Reed [12]

"I dressed up every day because I love to show my school spirit, and this particular outfit mainly came from my sister. I loved this spirit day because I thought it went well with the theme and I really enjoyed wearing my patriotic clothes."

Caroline Clark [11]



## 'Merica Monday

"Before the Fourth of July, Tessa Newberry and I decided to make DIY 'Merica shorts. First we cut high-waisted jeans into shorts. Then we printed off patterns onto fabric paper and transferred them onto the shorts with an iron. I was really happy with how they turned out, and I only got one blister."

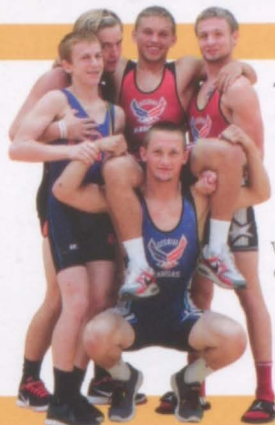
Andrea Wiglesworth [12]



## Olympic Sport

"My friend Shelby and I dressed up as Misty May-Treanor and Kerri Walsh. It was during volleyball season and we wanted to match, so we thought it would be a good idea to dress up as the two volleyball players from the Olympics."

Mikaela Bennett [10]



"My friends Patrick Ballard, Jonathan Blackwell, Aaron Puckett, Josiah Seaton and I decided to wear our wrestling singlets. We enjoyed showing off our big muscles."

Coltin Bulky [12]

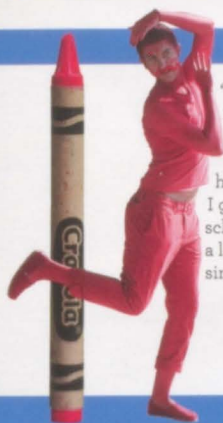
"It was exciting to see all the swim girls dress up in our suits because swimming is one of the most exciting events for the Olympics. We all argued over who would be Missy Franklin, but I ended up winning and got to be Missy."

Elizabeth Barger [11]



"I dressed up as a red crayon. I painted my body and even had a mustache. I got paint on my schoolwork, but it was a lot of fun being a single color for a day."

Skyler Lucas [11]



"Purple is my favorite color so on Crayon Day, I decided to dress up with my friend Skyler Lucas. I always wanted to have Crayon Day. It's the one day when you get to match all of your clothes together and it's okay."

Alexandra Carter [11]



## Crayon Day

"I dressed up in black for Crayon Day, because I own a lot of black items, and it seemed like it would be easy to do. It was the only day I participated in, so I guess you could say it was my favorite."

Travis Jorgenson [9]



## Senior Citizen Day

While dressing up as an older person might seem a bit weird to most people, during Spirit Week, it was completely normal.

The idea came from Adrianne DeLeon's seventh hour Student Council class when a few cheerleaders made the suggestion. The idea originated at a summer cheerleading camp where it was positively received.

"I love old people. They're so cute and so deserving of our respect," junior Itzel Soto said. "I had a great time dressing up for this day."



**[clockwise]** sophomores Shelby Taylor and Madison Stumbough, senior Megan McCullough, junior Austin Schuler, senior T.J. Kimbrough-French and junior Itzel Soto.



**[showing senior spirit]** Senior T.J. Kimbrough-French applies baby powder in his beard while senior Megan McCullough shows off her rollers. "I was embarrassed at first, but it ended up being really fun," McCullough said.

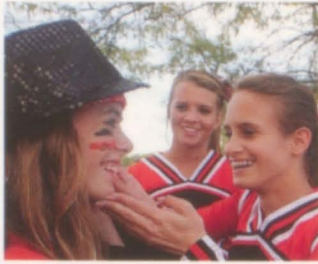


"I thought the parade went really well and that the floats looked better than last year."

Madison Stumbough [10]

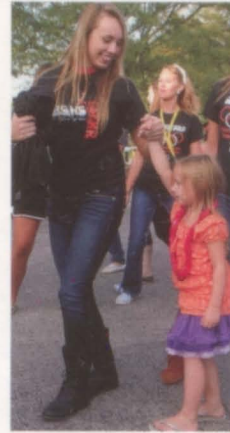
**[with an artistic touch]**

Sophomore Baleigh Shearer paints sophomore Alyssa Driskill's face while junior Kelsey Ballou-Lyngstad watches. After the parade, fans of all ages met in the parking lot for spirit-boosting fun and delicious food.



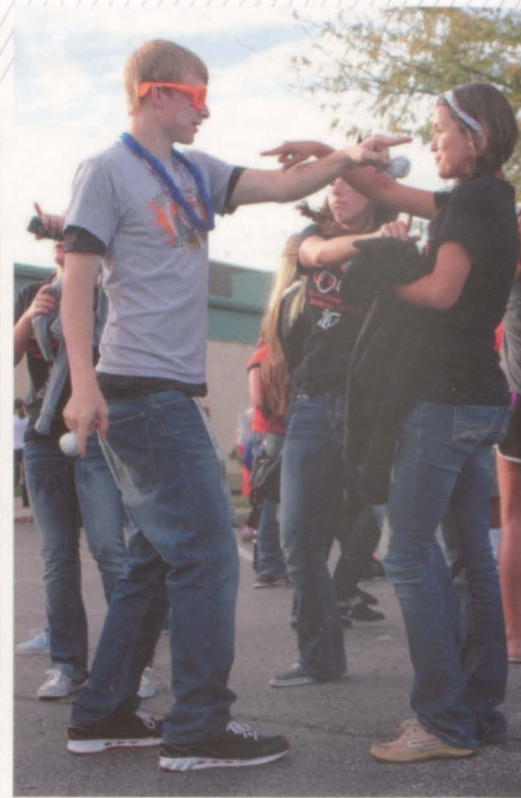
**[friends in low places]**

Juniors Emily Prince, Stephanie Gear and Shelby Mata dance at the pep rally. "Homecoming had me in an amazing mood all day long, so when a great song came on I grabbed my friends and we started rocking it," Mata said.



**[with a helping hand]**

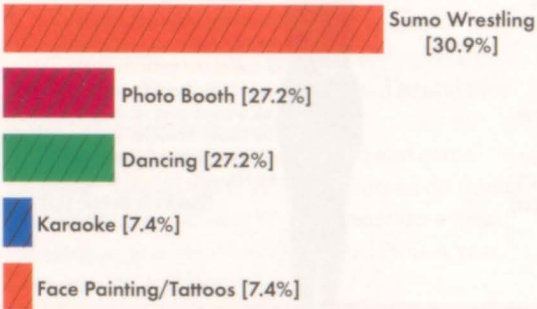
Senior Haley Hoffine dances to the "Wobble" with future Brave, Claire Taylor, in the parking lot.



**[dancing to the "YMCA"]**

Sophomore Jacob Kraus and junior Kemberly Sanchez show off their dance moves. "There were a lot of new activities at the pep rally to go along with the great music," Sanchez said.

## What was your favorite pep rally activity?



## Sumo Wrestling

Juniors Lilly Eickhoff and Thomas Hook participate in the newest addition to the pep rally. "It was really hard to move around, but after awhile I got more comfortable. It was a fun and great way to switch things up," Eickhoff said.



# [just] DANCE



"I enjoyed the whole night, going out to eat with my friends before the dance and partying hard while we were there."

Tre Scott [11]



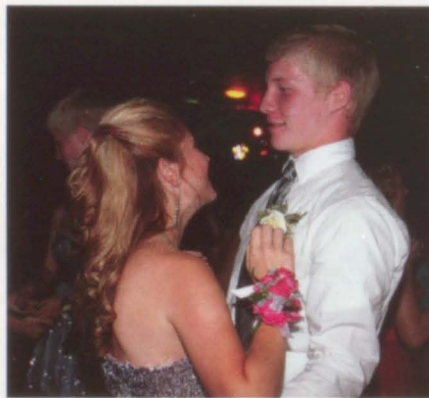
"I made memories that night that will last a lifetime. The dance was amazing."

Kayla Fratzel [12]



"The best part of the dance was mingling with my friends, just having fun and enjoying life to the fullest."

Leah Walker [12]



**[making memories]**

Freshman Gwenyth Barrett and sophomore Thaddeus Glenn dance to a slow song. "It was my first high school dance and a great experience overall," Barrett said.

**[eye to eye]**

Senior Allison Augustine and her date, Dylan Anson, move together with the music. "We had a great time hanging out and dancing however we wanted," Augustine said.





// madison epp

**[all in the family]**  
Senior Tessa Newberry with her mom, Starla, and her grandmother, Zella Newberry.

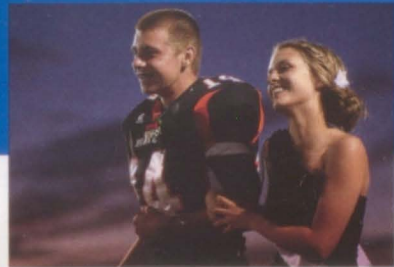
**three**  
*Generations of*  
**QUEENS**

Senior Tessa Newberry carried on a family tradition when she was crowned Homecoming queen. Newberry's mother and grandmother were both high school Homecoming queens, and Newberry was thrilled at the chance to carry on the honor.

"I actually didn't know my mom was homecoming queen until after the game because she didn't want me to feel pressured," Newberry said. "It really meant more than I could ever explain when I heard my name announced. I was really thankful for all the support I received."



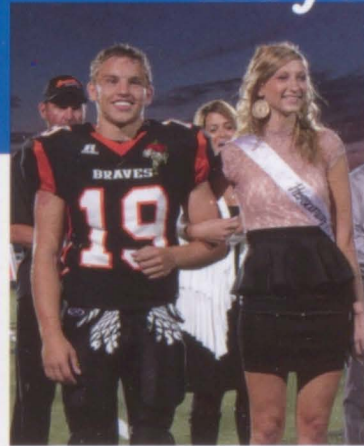
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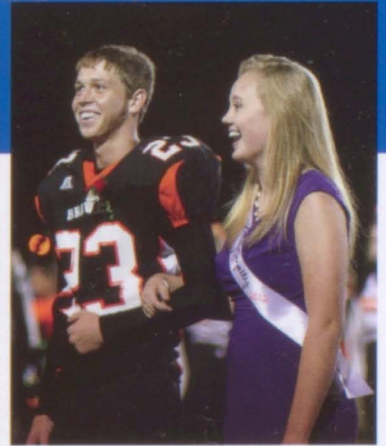
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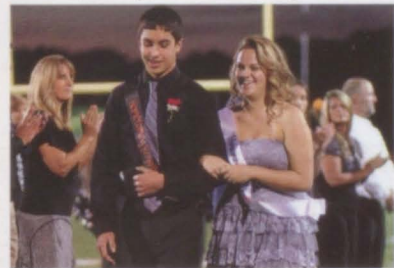
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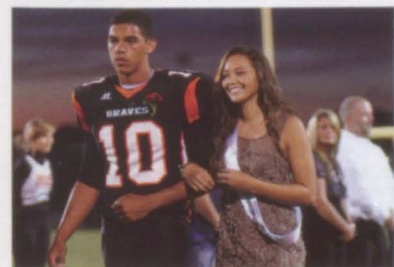
Jonathan Blackwell and Maranda Ballou



Jason Van Maren and Tessa Newberry



Jordan Castro and Hannah Fehlhafer



Jordan Jackson and Mariah Seifert



Cord Cannon and Kayla Fratzel



Aaron Lewis and Brenna McQuitty

# Singing [in] // taylor coleman Harmony

[Bravo breaks through with an array of talent]

Featuring everything from Rihanna to the Rascal Flats, the pop show Bravo kicked off with success on Nov. 15 for a two-night run of impressive entertainment.

"The turnout was solid. I was pleased with the amount of people who came to watch," director Brian White said.

Instead of just showcasing talent within the vocal music department, White decided to include a talent portion as part of the show and opened the auditions to all students. He held the auditions a month before the show and then chose a few different acts to add variety to the event.

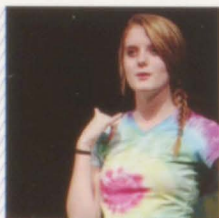
"There are a lot of hidden talents in this school—for example, people who do music but who might not be

in a music class, and I wanted to give everyone the chance to showcase their gifts," White said.

Aaron Lewis, a senior, took advantage of this opportunity and performed a song he wrote while playing the guitar. Another senior, Madison Epp, choreographed and performed a contemporary, lyrical dance.

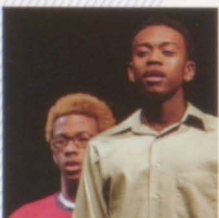
"Bravo was like putting the pieces of a puzzle together with all the choreography, lights, and music, but it is something that came together in the end," White said.

Because the show was such an exciting success and had such a large turnout, it will be continuing tradition, White said.



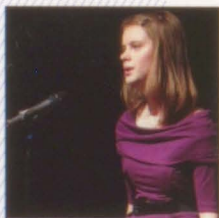
"My favorite part about Bravo had to be learning the dances. I don't dance often, but it was a good time. I got quite nervous on stage but being on stage with other people and my friends made me more comfortable."

Stephanie Arnold [12]



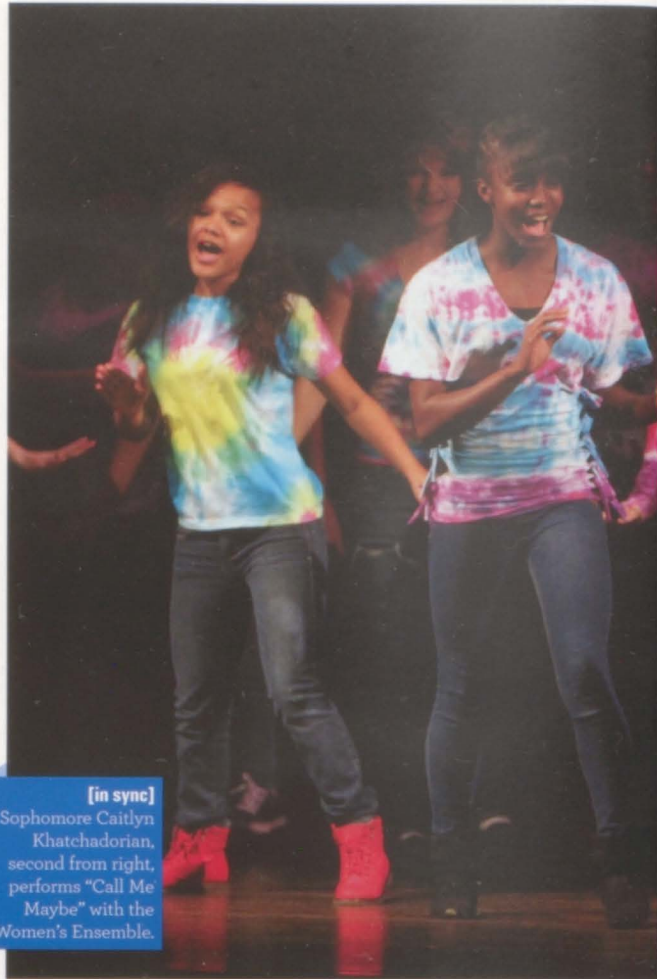
"Bravo was a great experience. I enjoyed that all of the choir members were able to come together and show our talents to a large group of people. I enjoyed performing because it isn't something that we don't do very often."

Brandon Moore [12]



"Bravo was an amazing experience, I sang a solo with my brother, John, who played the guitar. Bravo was an experience I will never forget. I didn't just enjoy singing as a soloist, but I also enjoyed singing with my choir."

Charity Burnworth [11]

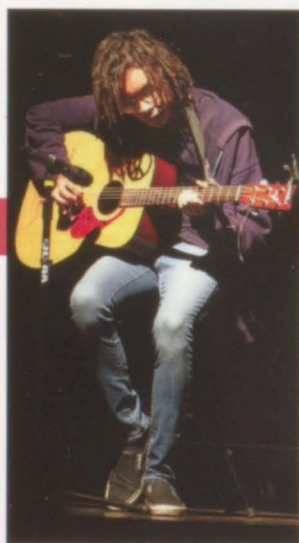


[in sync]

Sophomore Caitlyn Khatchadorian, second from right, performs "Call Me Maybe" with the Women's Ensemble.

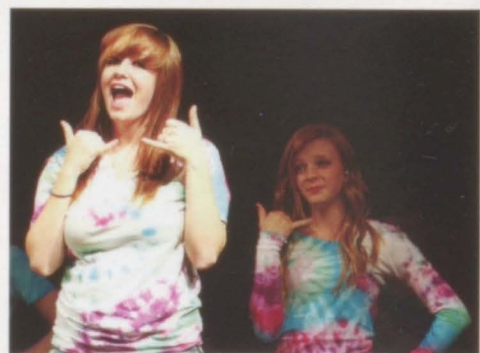
[singing with passion]

Seniors Haley Close and Ciera Turner perform "Viva La Vida" by Coldplay with the first hour A Cappella choir.



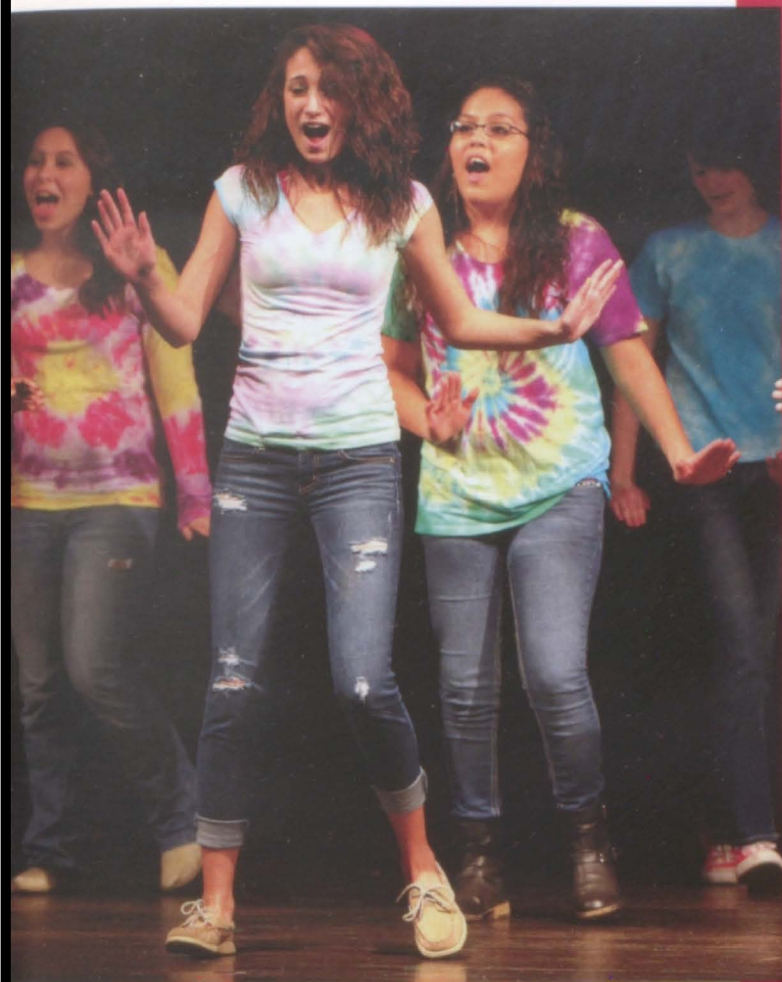
[rocking the stage]

Senior Renado Durley performs an original composition on the guitar during the second act.



[hitting the dance move]

Senior Allie Crane enjoys performing with the Women's Ensemble. "The best part was working with the girls, learning how to dance and choreograph a song," she said.



**[performing in the spotlight]**  
Junior Carina Willeford starts off the song "Take a Bow" as recorded by Rihanna.

**[displaying technique]**  
Senior Madison Epp performs a lyrical dance routine to the song "The Broken Ones." "I have been dancing my whole life, but my dancing has not been exposed to my classmates before, so I thought this would be a good opportunity to show what I do almost every day after school," Epp said. "I also did this as part of my senior project because my project involved choreographing dance."



"I love the whole Bravo atmosphere. The crowds and the performances are always amazing."

Kevin London [12]

# Standing Alone



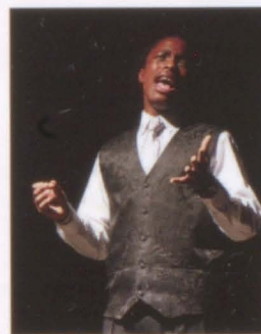
**Deidra Elijah [12]**  
Performed "Turning Tables" as recorded by Adele.

"The best part of performing in front of an audience is the fact that I can become anyone that I want to be. It's a time to be an actress and put on a show for the people who come to support me. When I'm singing alone, I feel as if the entire universe disappears and it's just me and my inner feelings corresponding with one another."



**Shelby Smith [11]**  
Played the piano and sang to a song called "Almost Lover" as recorded by A Fine Frenzy.

"It makes me feel really good to be on stage and express myself in a way that I know I am good at. Most people don't get that chance, and I'm grateful that I did. I taught myself to play piano last year."



**Darius Sheppard [9]**  
Performed "A Song For You" as recorded by The Carpenters.

"The audience and my passion for music drives me when I sing. Music means everything to me. It helps me stay true to who I am. Mr. White brought this song to me and I completely fell in love with it. Singing the song on stage really was a dream come true."



**Aaron Lewis [12]**  
Performed an original song called "For a Long Time."

"I wrote this song a couple of weeks before the auditions. I didn't think that it was ready to perform yet, but I took the risk and it was a risk I'm glad I took. I wasn't too nervous when I was on performing, but as soon as I was done, all my nerves came flooding to me."



**Cierra Sweeney [12]**  
Sang "Blue Jeans" as recorded by Lana Del Ray.

"I chose this particular song because I love all of her music. I can really identify with her as an artist. When performing, I was nervous. But it was a surreal feeling knowing all my friends were there supporting me."

# Material world

// rachael jensen

## Where does your money go?

### FOOD



### TECHNOLOGY



### CLOTHING



\*93 students surveyed

## Gotta Have It



"I buy an unusual amount of Burt's Bees chapstick and so much iced coffee from Starbucks and McDonalds that you'd think I would be diabetic by now."

Krista Owens [12]



"I visit Forever 21 every weekend for their earrings. I usually end up spending around \$30 every trip. Really big sparkly ones are my weakness."

Destini Colvin [11]



"I go to Sonic every day after soccer or swim practice for a cherry lime-aid or grape Dr. Pepper. I only spend about \$2 a day, but it can add up quickly."

Sam Nelson [10]



"I love the Twilight saga, so I can't resist buying anything associated with it. I have all the movies, books, and board games and a ton of posters. I even have red and gold contact lenses."

Mercedes Gray [9]



"My weakness is clothes from Buckle. Every time I go there I usually get three or four pairs of jeans and a of couple shirts. I have a prepaid Buckle card, so whenever my parents get paid they put money on it."

Antonio Barajas [9]

## COLD HARD cash \$\$\$

When two major snowstorms swept through the Kansas City area, senior Aidan Twombly took advantage of his snow days and the 25 inches of accumulated snow by shoveling driveways for cash.

After getting laid off from his job at Red Fortune, Twombly was in search of a way to make some extra money and thought that charging \$15 to \$20 a driveway would be an excellent way to do so.

Twombly said that this money-making side job started as an effort to clear the driveways of elderly people in his neighborhood and took off from there.

At the end of two days, Twombly came out sore but with a worthwhile profit of \$220. He planned to use the profits on a shopping trip to Lids at Oak Park Mall to add to his snap-back hat collection.



## Kayla Horn [12]



**Job:** Sales rep at Buckle, hostess at Johnny Carino's

**Hours per week:** With both jobs I work around five days a week, adding up to about a 25-hour work week.

**How long:** I've been at Buckle for about a year and Johnny Carino's for about two weeks.

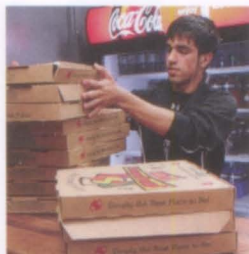
**What I love:** Making people happy and helping them find the perfect outfit or pair of jeans. Just pleasing customers in general is very rewarding.

**What I hate:** Getting paid on commission at Buckle! My paycheck depends on how much I sell which isn't always easy, especially when it's slow.

**How long my paycheck lasts:** I get paid every two weeks, and I can usually make it last quite awhile.

**Hardest thing about juggling two jobs:** Making sure my managers don't double schedule me.

**Horror story:** I have had people come in and be so picky with jeans. They'll try on 100 pairs and not buy one.



**[cleaning up]**  
Senior Kalim Rhaza-Khan helps to clear the Brave Cave after Friday sales.

**[making a sale]**  
Senior Brave Cave assistant Christian Jones sells a candy bar to Jordan Mauk during seventh hour.



"Working in the Brave Cave is good business experience but can be frustrating at times when it's too crowded."

Amber Brillhart [12]

## Brave Cave [by the numbers]

\$900

in weekly revenue

13

student assistants who work in the Brave Cave

20

approximate pizzas sold on Friday

busiest hour of the day

4th

117

average candy bars sold on a Friday

53

sodas sold daily

## Q&A [with] COBBINS

New business teacher Alisha Cobbins shares her insight on the Brave Cave

**Q:** How is the Brave Cave incorporated into the business department curriculum?

**A:** The Brave Cave teaches students to be self-sufficient. There isn't always a teacher in the room and so when problems arise (running out of money, needing additional stock, something breaking/spills) they must be resourceful enough to figure it out on their own. It's a lesson in problem-solving.

**Q:** How are student assistants in the Brave Cave selected?

**A:** Student assistants are selected by me. They are not allowed to sign up for the class unless they have expressed an interest to me and have displayed the skills necessary to work in the Brave Cave. Next year, those who work the

Brave Cave will also be members of my Business Development class which is the capstone course in our Business Entrepreneurship & Management Pathway. Upon completion, students are eligible for college credit where our school has articulated agreements.

**Q:** In what ways is the Brave Cave student led?

**A:** The Brave Cave was designed to be student run and operated. This means that the students take care of the ordering, stocking, selling, cleaning and marketing for the store. Like any business, the policies are reviewed and altered as needed but the concept remains the same. As long as the students are responsible enough to make it their own, it will remain theirs.

## Compulsive Shopper [versus] Penny-Pincher



Dalen Reed [12]

"I work 20 to 30 hours a week making \$8 an hour, so when I get paid I feel like I deserve to spend my money. If I don't budget my money, it's usually gone about four days after I get paid. I mostly spend it on cool socks, graphic T-shirts from Pac-Sun or Hot Topic, and crew necks."



Rachel Barber [11]

"I just don't see the need in spending money on frivolous things; I'd rather save it for when I really need it. I keep a checking and savings account and have had up to \$1,000 in it at one time. It just feels like a waste to work 15 hours a week just to turn around and blow my paycheck."

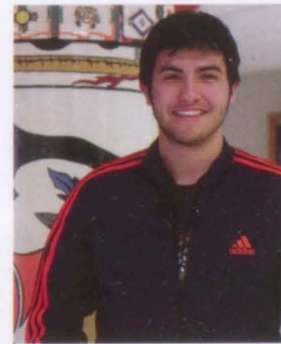
## Black Friday Madne\$\$

"I worked a total of 14 hours at Aeropostale at the Legends on Black Friday. Even though it was my second year to work one and I knew what to expect, it was still insane. There were tons of people lined up at the door waiting for us to open at 8 p.m. on Thursday. Every register was going, but we still had lots of complaints from customers about the outrageous lines. All we could do was work as fast as we could. Despite its craziness, I enjoyed working Black Friday."



Kaylee Plowman [12]

"Austin Schuler and I starting camping at the Best Buy on Metcalf at about 8 p.m. Wednesday, so I could be one of the first in line for one the doorbusters, a 40-inch Toshiba TV. We had a tent with sleeping bags and lots of blankets. We missed our Thanksgiving dinner and settled for the leftovers my dad brought to us Thursday. I got my TV for \$180 and it normally would have sold for \$400. The highlight of my shopping adventure was when I got a random lady to buy me a video game for \$35 in return for an extra doorbuster ticket I had for a flat screen TV."



Luciano Fasani [11]





"Coach Aslin is a really good teacher in weights class. I like that he helps me to get stronger."

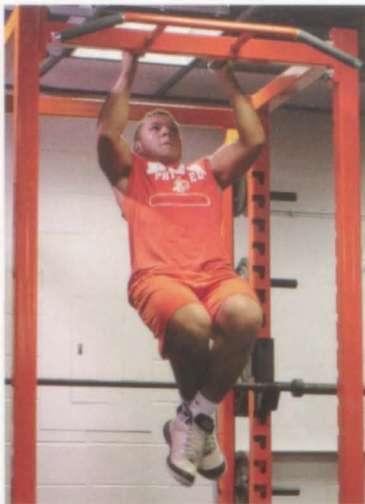
Kristina Schwab [11]

**[work hard, play hard]**

Junior Jared Knernschield does pull-up reps in Lucas Aslin's weights class. "I took weights to get better for football. Aslin's class has helped my performance a lot," Knernschield said.

**[getting in shape]**

Senior Taylor Hogan-Gooch does push ups on the medicine ball in weights. "I like having Aslin as my weights coach," Hogan-Gooch said. "He always motivates me to do more than I think I can."



[Weights]

MAXIN' <sup>[not]</sup> relaxin'



"I took weights for football first semester. Second semester, I am still taking it so I can get better in the off-season. Other than lift, my favorite activity is to play dodgeball."

Aaron Jones [10]



"This year I had to take weights. Even though I wasn't super excited for it at first, I now enjoy weights a lot. I like getting stronger and improving in sports."

Kylie Jarrett [11]



"I took weights because I wanted to improve my athletic ability this year. Now that I have learned new lifts, I can do them on my own and get better over summer as well."

Tyler Ferris [10]



"My favorite lift to max is squat. After first semester, my max was 418 pounds. My new goal is to squat 440 pounds for the third-quarter max."

Tyler Lentz [12]



"For the third semester final in weights I squatted 157. I was proud of myself for squatting such a good number. I worked hard that quarter so that I could improve my squat, and I am happy that I did."

Michaela Mock [10]



"My favorite lift to max is bench. My max for third semester was 121 pounds. I was so happy for myself. I had no idea that I could bench that much at all. When Coach Aslin told me to do another rep of my weight, I was in disbelief, but I did it."

Jessica Moulin [12]

# Healthy HABITS

// andrea wiglesworth



"Being healthy has become a way of life for me. I've been working out and eating well since the summer of 2011. I realized I wasn't impressed with the way I felt about myself, so I decided to change. Disciplining myself at first was really tough, but eventually I got into the routine of working out and eating right every day. It became natural after that first month or so. Doing cross country this year boosted my confidence and let me know that I could achieve things with my healthy lifestyle.

I try to incorporate some type of physical activity into my day. Whether it's running, swimming, or even walking, I make an effort to be active. I try to encourage others to be in shape as well, so they can get the same benefit I have been blessed with."

Lilly Eickhoff [11]

**[always improving]**  
Senior Aaron Puckett finishes out his reps of dumbbell incline-bench in Lucas Aslin's weights class.

## Herbivore [versus] Carnivore



Kelsey Ballou [11]

"I've been a vegetarian since first grade. I had a bad experience with meat when I was younger and it looked too much like blood for me to eat. Eleven years later, I can eat chicken every once in a while, but it has to be a certain way. Now, I mostly eat apples, soup, and noodles. I definitely think I will be a vegetarian for the rest of my life.

There's no way I could eat meat again and not feel disgusted by it."



A.J. Adkins [9]

"I am definitely a carnivore. There's nothing better than a slab of ribs or a perfectly cooked steak from Logan's Rodehouse at the Legends. I really don't like vegetables at all, but I will eat potatoes. I can't imagine not having some sort of red or white meat for a meal or being a vegetarian. With meat, there's more options and always something new for me to try."

### 4 step guide to HEALTHY LIVING

#### DRINK WATER

DRINK  
8 glasses of  
WATER  
per day



"I like to stay hydrated during the day. Drinking water keeps me busy and healthy."

Joseph Arnett [12]

#### EAT HEALTHY

"I enjoy eating healthy because I feel more energized throughout the day."

Citlally Fernandez [11]



YOU ARE  
[WHAT]  
YOU EAT

#### EXCERSIZE REGULARLY

30  
minutes per  
DAY IS ALL  
it takes



"I exercise often to stay fit. As well as being healthy, my body looks good."

Andrew Bryant [9]

#### SLEEP WELL

"If I don't get enough sleep, my performance isn't at its best the next day."

Sarah Catron [12]



9 HOURS  
every  
night

"I thought the theme was great. It was fun to see how everyone got into the characters."



Kennedy Bizzell [11]

# Decked out Disney <sup>[in]</sup>

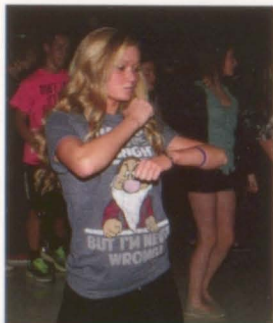
// lauren murphy

To mix things up, Stuco chose a Disney theme for the Nov. 10th, Women-Pay-All dance.

"A Disney theme was easy to go with and easy to dress up to," senior Stuco member Taylor Coleman said. "We thought more people would participate if we had a fun, relatable theme."

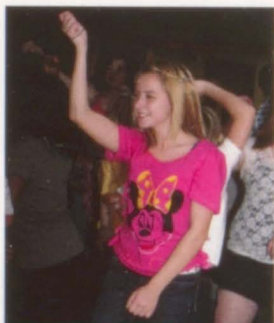
Approximately 80 students attended the dance.

## Formal <sup>[versus]</sup> Casual



Madison Epp [12]

"WPA is always fun because it is much more laid back and the planning is less hectic. I love dressing up for other dances, but the matching T-shirts are a good way to change things up. Our plan was to make Mr. and Mrs. Potato Head shirts, but we ran short on time so we resorted to Grumpy from Snow White."



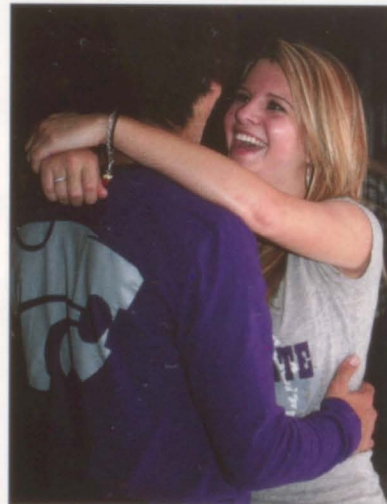
Haley Wright [09]

"My first WPA dance was interesting and so much better than the middle school dances. I like how you had to match your date, and I also liked the Disney theme. That was cute. Having said that, I do prefer a formal dance because I like getting dressed up and picking out a special dress."

**[slowing it down]**  
Juniors Josiah Seaton and Kemberly Sanchez enjoy the WPA dance. "When I heard about the theme, I knew that Mr. and Mrs. Potato Head would be the perfect choice for our shirts," Sanchez said.



**[grooving to the beat]**  
Seniors Jacob Sopher and Skyler Taylor share a high five at WPA. "I always save a dance for Jacob," Taylor said. "We have a lot of fun sharing all of our crazy dance moves on the dance floor."



**[sporting a K-State look]**

Senior Kalim Raza Khan and junior Kelsey Ballou-Lyngstad share a memorable moment. "It was Kelsey's idea to wear K-State shirts, so we didn't go with the theme. I had a great time, and my favorite memory of the year would have to be going to WPA," Raza Khan said.



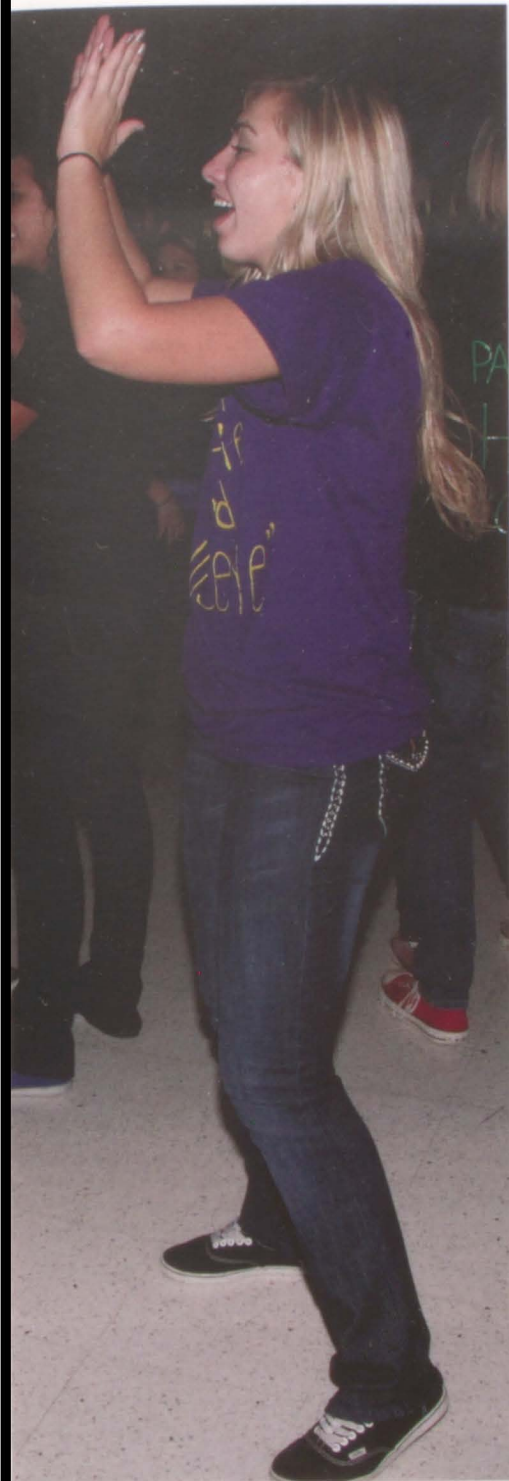
"I asked Cody [Crider] on the Friendship Group field trip to the pumpkin patch. I drew a picture that said 'WPA?' and he said, 'Thanks!' The dance was a lot of fun. Cody has some crazy dance moves."

Megan McCullough [12]



"I asked Kyle by decorating his dorm at KU. I also surprised him with cupcakes. We dressed up as hipsters because Disney is way too mainstream. Kyle, my date, made it fun with his banging moves."

Elizabeth Barger [11]



# [dating] Dictionary

## Just Friends?

"Being just friends basically means you're close to one another but not dating. You do know a lot about the person because you are friends, but it probably won't go any further than that."

Peter Jenkins [11]



## Talking?

"It's just another way of marking your territory without saying that's your man before it's too soon, and that you're basically on the verge of dating."

Tatiana Torres [12]



## Just Friends?

"Just friends means that you hang out and talk but there's no romance involved. You like each other a lot, but it's just in a friendly way."

Eleanor Lynch [11]



## Dating?

"To me dating is two people who want to be together because they have feelings for each other and they want to spend time together—not just as boyfriend and girlfriend but as best friends."

Cesar Diaz [11]



## Taking a Break?

"Taking a break is when the couple has split up to relax from the stresses of being around each other—even if they still like each other. Sometimes taking a break is the best way to settle things down."

Taner Shipman [10]



## Talking?

"Talking is when you're already more than friends, but you're not dating yet. You may be interested in having a relationship with this person but you're not sure."

Hayden Hoffine [9]



## Taking a Break?

"Taking a break is giving yourself distance in a relationship. Both people in the relationship can gain by taking a break. It can help you sort out yourself emotionally."

Maddy Kempf [10]



"The weird part of my WPA came after the dance because I had a soccer game. So I made Kem Sanchez, Josiah Seaton, and Travis Dooley go with me. We won the game, but by the time the game was over it was about 1 a.m. and I was exhausted."

Bailey Hightower [11]



"I know it's a girls-ask-guys dance, but J.T. Johnson asked me. We both just wore KU shirts, instead of dressing up in Disney stuff. I had a good time, especially when we went to Rachel Johnson's house afterwards."

Brittany Spencer [10]

# Hey, Jack, it's... Duck Dynasty Day

"Needless to say I love Duck Dynasty, so I dressed up as Si because he is my favorite. I made a last-minute Walmart run and bought my T-shirt, hat, cup, jacket and yarn. I also brought a whole gallon of tea to school and finished it before the day was over. It was definitely my favorite day of spirit week."

Devon Haywood [11]



"I thought Duck Dynasty was a great idea for Spirit Week. I had a lot of fun picking out my outfit and wearing a beard—even though it was pretty itchy. I dressed up as Willie because he wears an American flag bandanas and I happened to own one. I thought I looked pretty similar to him."

Lauren Murphy [10]



"I already had all my clothes because it's my duck hunting gear. Duck Dynasty is my favorite show, and I like how it's hilarious but with good values incorporated into it at the same time. I felt like my attire was pretty good and that I was the most dedicated out of everyone who dressed up."

Charles Stites [12]



"I've watched Duck Dynasty a few times, and I enjoy the show. It wasn't my favorite Spirit Week day, but it was enjoyable to see everyone dressed up. My cousin, Katelyn Cochran, contributed to my outfit by painting the black on my face."

Jessica Hunt [09]



[dancing to the beat]

Sophomores DaNae' Banks, left, and Aarionna Holliday dance in sync. "I loved my dress, and it was just \$10 at DEBs," Banks said. "Some parts of the dance were boring, but for the most part it was fun."



[lost in the moment]

Sophomore Jenna Hammond and senior Gabe Jessie dance to a slow song. "I didn't have the best of time," Hammond said. "But my friends were there and that made it more fun."

[having a good time]

Freshman Kennedy Bacon and sophomore Sam Nelson dance hand in hand to a slow song. "I had a fun and enjoyable time at Courtwarming. I went with Kennedy, and she's what made it so great. Unfortunately, the group we went with had to leave early because the guys had a soccer game," Nelson said.

## Ouch!

Not many people participated in "Fake An Injury Day," but those who did went all out. "I used to be an adventurer, then I took an arrow to the knee," junior Demetri Hart joked. "I wanted to be creative so rather than bringing crutches to school, I decided to do something different."



Demetri Hart [11]



Dylan Clark [10]



Hannah Scheck [09]



**[swinging to the music]**

Sophomore Shelbey Taylor and date Nick Davis lock arms to dance the night away. "I had a great time at Courtwarming; they played a lot of fun songs," Taylor said.



"I love the show Duck Dynasty! It is hilarious and I quote it all the time! It is one of my favorites."

Loren Bergstrom [12]

## From *Crutches* [to] *Camo*

[New spirit days boost Courtwarming celebration]

With a whole new arsenal of spirit days, Courtwarming offered a little something for everyone.

Those who loved the new hit show "Duck Dynasty" got the chance to channel their inner Uncle Si while others enjoyed dressing like their long-lost twin.

In between it all came a healthy dose

of charity.

For the first time ever, the "Coming Together for a Cure" game against Turner was part of the celebration, and the focus for the Tuesday spirit day was "pink out."

The week ended with a "Starry Night" dance hosted by Stuco in the commons.

## A Royal Moment

Walking out on cue, seniors Chad Uhl and Samantha Ricci-Weller wanted to make an impression on the student body as they strolled into the gymnasium for the Courtwarming royalty assembly. As they hit the three-point line, seniors Aaron Lewis and Ryan Schuler burst out of the crowd with light sabers, surprising everyone. Lightsabers were tossed to Uhl and Ricci-Weller and a dramatic dual broke out, with Uhl and Ricci-Weller emerging victorious.

"We wanted to do something spontaneous to liven up the assembly," Weller said. "And it was as close as I was ever going to get to a senior prank because I never want to get into trouble."

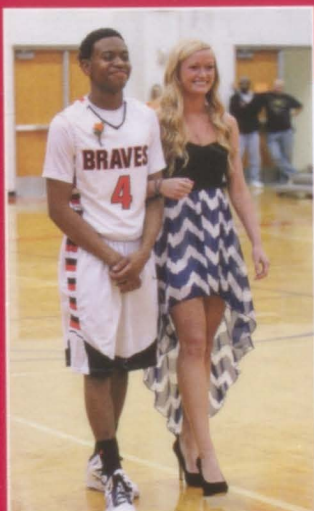
Ricci-Weller said she and Uhl had discussed the light-saber dual with principal Joe Hornback prior to the assembly. After receiving his permission, they decided to go for it.

The halftime coronation was a nervous time for Ricci-Weller and all of the candidates.

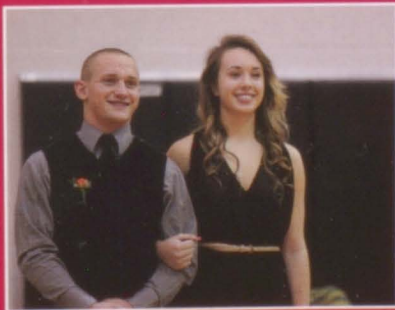
"After they said my name, I threw my head back with a strong sense of relief, and I thought, 'Did they really just call my name?' It was very surreal," she said. "It was an honor just to be nominated."



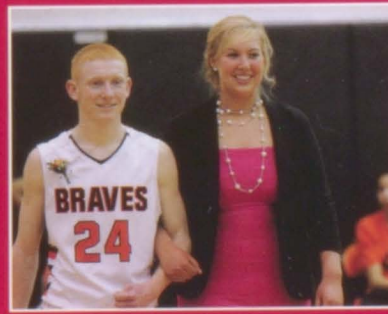
## Courtwarming Royalty



Brandon Moore and Maddie Epp



Aaron Puckett and Haley Hoffine



Logan Terrell and Megan McCullough



Tyler Howell and Anna Deegan

## Who Am I?

We took a look at nine different people to catch a glimpse of who they are and what their unique perspectives might be.

### A Courtside [View]



#### [go shockers]

English teacher Nancy Baker, second from right on the back row, with her family in Atlanta at the NCAA men's basketball championship tournament.

#### [perspectives] **March Madness**

**Q: What made March Madness different for you this year?**

**A:** My nephew, Ron Baker, plays for Wichita State. He actually played in the tournament, which was a key component to their success.

**Q: In the past, were you into March Madness at all?**

**A:** I've always been a big March Madness fan. It is my favorite part of basketball season and sports all around.

**Q: Did you make a bracket this year?**

**A:** Yes, I did. In my bracket, Wichita State didn't even make it to the Sweet Sixteen.

**Q: Did you expect the team to really get to the Final Four?**

**A:** No. I didn't expect my nephew to even play. He was injured before the tournament started. He had been injured for a while, so we had no idea that he would be playing in the tournament.

**Q: What was it like to watch the Final Four tournament in person?**

**A:** It was the most exciting thing I've ever experienced. The excitement of the people was indescribable—the fans and the videos that they showed. It really is much different than watching it on T.V. Seeing my nephew actually out playing on that court makes everything more intense and real.

**Q: What was the experience for your daughters, Katie and Harley?**

**A:** They are Ron's biggest fans. That's for sure. They were all decked out in their WSU colors, wearing tattoos, beads, shirts, and ribbons. It was awesome to see; they loved every minute of it.

### Tyler Dill [freshman]

**How does your day begin?** I try to get up by 6:30 a.m., but it doesn't always happen. I have to be at school by 7:15 a.m. for Project X rehearsals, and at first it was a struggle to get there at that time, but I got used to it and it's definitely been worth it. Those early-morning practices have helped us grow together.

**What's the best part of your day?** Probably lunch because I enjoy the chance to hang out with friends and talk.

**Does your day fly by or drag on?** Usually it flies by pretty quickly, especially on Fridays.

**What do you do after school?** I either hang out with friends or go to piano or voice lessons. I practice the piano for an hour a day, seven days a week. I really like classical Beethoven. Mozart's nice too.

**What's that transition to high school been like?** It's been pretty smooth for the most part, but all of my extra-curricular activities (Academic Decathlon, Science Olympiad, and Project X) make scheduling a little crazy.

**What's been the highlight of your freshman year?** Going to K-State for the state academic decathlon meet was awesome. It was the first time I'd ever been on a college campus.

**What are your interests outside of school?** Music is something I've grown up with. My family is very musical; it's always been something we've done together.

**What's something that people may not know about you?** My cousin is in a bluegrass band, and sometimes I'll sing or play piano for them.



### Hannah Novogradic [senior]

**How does your day begin?** I wake up at the last minute to make it to the KCKCC Technical Education Center (TEC) where my classes start at 7:30 every day.

**Why did you choose to go to there? What's your schedule like?**

I was ready for something new and exciting, and I wanted the chance to meet new people and learn new things. I also get college credit. There are two different schedules for the office assistant program I'm in. On Monday, Wednesday, and Friday I'm in a records management and on Tuesday and Thursday I take proof-reading, obtaining employment, and customer service.

**How has your decision to go to the technical education center impacted your senior-year experience?** I feel less connected to the high school, but I really love it at KCKCC. There's lots of hands-on experiences, and it gives me a lot more independence overall.

**What do you do after school?** I'm very active in community service projects at my church, Stony Point Christian. On the first and third Wednesday of the month, we have "Serve House" where we serve hot meals, sponsor a food pantry, and give away clothing to those who need it.

**What are your interests outside of school?** In the summer my youth group is going to Haiti to help build an orphanage. I have been doing service projects to help fund that trip.

**What's something that people may not know about you?** I enjoy going to car shows and for my senior project I actually hosted a car show to benefit the American Cancer Society. It was a huge success.



**Q:** How does your school day begin?

**A:** I wake up at 5:30 a.m., pull up my computer, launch my iTunes and dance for 30 minutes just to wake up. I'm usually at school by 7 a.m., and I hang out in the gym with my girls. I rarely do breakfast.

**Q:** What's the most stressful part of your day?

**A:** It's definitely not the schoolwork, but the drama inside school.

**Q:** Does your day drag on or fly by?

**A:** It flies by, but at times it drags because I'm usually done with my work early.

**Q:** What do you do after school?

**A:** I volunteer with Bonner Springs Animal Rescue, so I go to the shelter on Tuesdays and Fridays to help walk the dogs. I've been working with dogs since I was 13, and the animals who have been abused just tug at my heart.

**Q:** What are your other outside-of-school activities?

**A:** I'm a Girl Scout, and I'm working hard to earn my Gold Award, which is the highest honor a Scout can get. I have to have a minimum of 100 hours of community service on a project that I create and control, and I'm planning to build a dog park at Lions Park. I have to raise \$10,000 to make it work, and I've raised just over \$2,500 so far.

**Q:** When do you do your homework? How do you juggle such a busy schedule?

**A:** I usually do my homework in the gym before school. It's a quiet place until the boys arrive.

**Q:** What's something that people might not know about you?

**A:** I'm part of a huge blended family. I have 20 siblings, including me.



Jenna  
Hammond  
[sophomore]

**Q:** How does your school day begin?

**A:** I usually wake up at 6 a.m., take a shower, and go to school on regular school days. On weekends, I have to wake up an hour earlier at 5 a.m. to go feed the cows on our land.

**Q:** What's the most stressful part of your day?

**A:** Mr. Fouquet's class. It's a challenging class, and I have to think the most during that hour.

**Q:** Does your day drag on or fly by?

**A:** It flies by because I'm always kept busy in school.

**Q:** What do you do after school?

**A:** Some days I work out until about 4 p.m. Other days I just go home, and depending on the weather I will either run or watch TV.

**Q:** What are your other outside-of-school activities?

**A:** I work at our family hardware store stocking shelves on the weekends, and I also ride dirt bikes with friends every weekend. We race and have a good time.

**Q:** What's more important to you? Schoolwork or sleep?

**A:** Schoolwork because it's very important to get that done, so I can graduate.

**Q:** Do you do your homework in class or at home?

**A:** I do my homework in class because at the end of the hour, most of my teachers usually give me time. It's a lot less stressful to do it then because I have more time after school to do other things.

**Q:** What's something that people might not know about you?

**A:** I usually go hunting every night in the summer because I enjoy shooting my guns. I hunt raccoons and coyotes more than anything else.



Tyler  
Eickhoff  
[junior]

## [perspectives] Life as a twin

ROMAN & THADDEUS GLENN [SOPHOMORES]

**Who's older?** Thaddeus by two minutes.

**What's the best part about being a twin?**

**Roman:** I always have a buddy to hang out with.

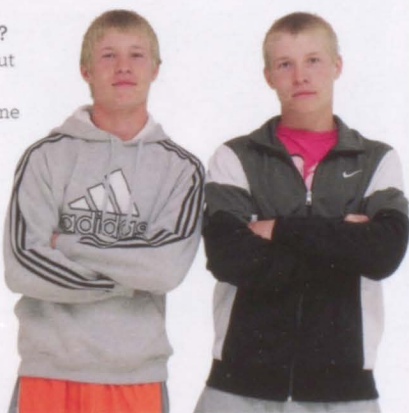
**Thaddeus:** Having someone with the same ability to do activities at home.

**What's the worst part?**

**Roman:** When people call me Thaddeus.

**Thaddeus:** When people get us mixed up.

**How to tell them apart:** Thaddeus is bigger and wears Nike; Roman is slimmer and wears Adidas.



KASSIDY & KAYLEIGH CLARK [JUNIORS]

**Who's older?** Kayleigh by 2 minutes.

**What's the best part about being a twin?**

**Kassidy:** I always have someone to hang out with.

**Kayleigh:** I always have someone to talk to.

**What's the worst part?**

**Kassidy:** Sharing friends.

**Kayleigh:** When people get us mixed up, which happens a lot.

**How can people tell you apart?**

We're not identical twins, so we don't look that much alike, but our names do get mixed up most of the time.



# Fashions & Trends

## Camelbaks



I like Camelbaks because they have really interesting colors to choose from and always keep my drink cool. They are amazing and that's a fact.

**Shelby Sneed [9]**



I think that a Camelbak is very handy to have when you are working out. They also help filter the nasty school water, and they are convenient for traveling.

**Cheyenne Luth**



I got mine on sale for \$10 at Target. Normally they are like \$20. I like that it's filtered, so I can drink the school's water without the bad taste. It makes me want to drink more water.

**Rachael Jensen [12]**

## Scarves



"I wear them because they are very warm, and they are a good fall and winter fashion statement. I own three or four different scarves. All of my scarves were given to me as gifts."

**Skyler Lucas [11]**



"I like to wear scarves because they give you a chance to express yourself. They're comfy, warm and you can wear them to match your mood. I buy my scarves at Charming Charlies. I try to spend about \$15 at the most on each scarf that I get."

**Savannah Lochert [12]**



**Q:** How often do you drink coffee?  
**A:** I drink two cups of coffee every day.  
**Q:** What is your favorite kind of coffee?  
**A:** Mocha  
**Q:** Do you prefer your coffee black or flavored?  
**A:** Flavored, usually vanilla.  
**Q:** What do you drink your coffee from?  
**A:** I use a K-State mug that was given to me for my 14th birthday.  
**Q:** Why do you prefer coffee to tea?  
**A:** I don't really think tea has a taste.  
**Q:** Where do you get your coffee from?  
**A:** Either Walmart or Starbucks.

**Elizabeth Briggs [9]**



**Q:** How often do you drink coffee?  
**A:** I drink coffee every single morning.  
**Q:** What is your favorite kind of coffee?  
**A:** I love the Patriot from Scooters.  
**Q:** Do you prefer your coffee black or flavored?  
**A:** I prefer my coffee flavored with milk and sugar.  
**Q:** What do you drink your coffee from?  
**A:** I have an Elvis mug at my house that I use.  
**Q:** Why do you prefer coffee to tea?  
**A:** Because it tastes so much better.  
**Q:** Where do you get your coffee from?  
**A:** From my mom or Scooters.

**Jacob Folsom [9]**



**Q:** How often do you drink tea?  
**A:** Mostly every day since I try not to drink too much soda.  
**Q:** What is your favorite kind of tea?  
**A:** Probably Arizona Tea.  
**Q:** Do you prefer loose leaf or bagged?  
**A:** I prefer it bagged.  
**Q:** What do you prefer your tea from?  
**A:** Usually a bottle or a can.  
**Q:** Why do you prefer it to coffee?  
**A:** It's healthier I'd say.  
**Q:** Where do you get your tea from?  
**A:** Usually Walmart, but you can usually find this in many convenience stores.

**Daniel Santana [12]**



**Q:** How often do you drink tea?  
**A:** I drink tea probably every other day.  
**Q:** What is your favorite kind of tea?  
**A:** My favorite tea is Arnold Palmer half and half.  
**Q:** Do you prefer loose leaf or bagged?  
**A:** I like loose leaf tea.  
**Q:** What do you drink your tea from?  
**A:** I usually drink it out of a can.  
**Q:** Why do you prefer it to coffee?  
**A:** I like tea more because it has a sweeter taste to it then coffee.  
**Q:** Where do you get your tea from?  
**A:** I get my tea from Costco.

**Valerie Torres [11]**

# [It's all about NIKE]



"I custom made these on the Converse website to reflect my favorite colors. They were \$90 but worth every penny."

**Adrienne Alder [9]**



"I like them because they make me feel taller. I'm a shorty and I like feeling tall."

**Lauren Culter [12]**



"They are really warm and one of the best pair of shoes I have."

**Stephanie Rose [12]**



"They are easy to put on and comfortable to wear when I want to wear them."

**Haley Hoffine [12]**



"They're a really comfortable pair of boots. I like the fact that they have a little bit of height to them."

**Rachel Barber [11]**



"I like the Vera Bradley line because there's a variety of colors and styles."

**Brenna McQuitty [12]**



"I like to wear Nike clothes because they are very comfortable. I buy a lot of their stuff when I have extra money."

**Vincent Roul [10]**



"All my shoes are Nike, and I have Nike socks, shirts, shorts, and even a Nike bag."

**Hannah Bohlken [11]**



"My Nikes were my go-to shoes in all situations. The durability was so impressive, and they are my only shoes I have not destroyed. They always encourage me to just do it."

**Falcon Murillo [12]**



**Morgan Reed [9]**



"I just kind of freely wear what I like, I guess. I think clothing is like a visual expression of yourself. I guess that's why I wear what I wear—to bring out my personality. And I just like to wear weird stuff; it filters out, I guess. My attitude is inspired by different times, places, and people, so I often shop online at sites like Romwe.com, Forever 21, American Apparel, and the thrift store."

**Winter Luttrell [12]**



**Winter's fashion**



Vintage top borrowed from Mom

Skirt from Romwe.com, \$36. It's inspired by street fashion.

Lace leggings from Target, \$5

Combat boots from Gordman's, \$20

# JOURNEY [to] Germany

## [Student adventures in European culture]

From the final game to picking a college, senior year is a special time for every student. Some students, however, leave high school with more extraordinary memories than most.

Inspired by the prospect of exploring a new culture, senior Jared Clements decided to make his senior year extraordinary by traveling to Germany.

"With everything that foreign exchange education does for you, it seemed like an interesting experience," Clements said.

The Clements family hosted a Brazilian student last year.

"We hosted Guilherme to get a better understanding of what a foreign exchange program entails and to get the view point of a host family."

After being accepted into the program, Clements filled out an online profile and waited for a family to choose him. He arrived Sept. 8 in Aalen, Germany, and felt right at home with his host family.

"I had three brothers, so it was really similar to home, and they were a super easy going family," Clements said.

Although going to Germany may seem like a vacation, school was still a part of his routine. Clements had a full line-up of courses such as Latin, Chemistry, Lab, Ethics, German, and even English.

"The school was pretty cool because it was like college. You could leave whenever you want, but everyone still goes to class. English was radical, except everyone in English class had a British accent mixed with a German one. It was an awful combination," Clements said jokingly.

In addition to experiencing the everyday life with his German family, Clements was privileged to travel into nearby countries and attain a true feel for European culture.

"I lived on the top of a mountain in Italy for a week from Christmas to New Year's Day with my host brother and lived in Amsterdam for another week with my host cousin. Though I missed most of my senior year, a chance at two wrestling titles, I learned more in my travels than I could have here in Kansas."



[amazing view]

Senior Jared Clements and his host brother Fabian Thome take an eight-hour hike in Austria during his first full weekend abroad.



[living the culture]

Senior Jared Clements, right, with his host mother, Astrid Thome, and host aunt, Angela, take a tour through the historic site of Wartburg Castle.



**[rooftop perspective]**  
Fabian Thome, Matthias Thome, Astrid Thome, and senior Jared Clements pose for a picture atop a hill in Würzburg, Germany.

# making [new] Connections

// micaela reed

## [New class rises to the challenge]

Hoping to instill a “pay it forward” mindset, new FACS teacher Dawn Sommers made it her goal to give students in her Career and Community Connections class plenty of chances to help others.

The first big event the class sponsored was a United Way Awareness Week, with the highlight being a dodgeball tournament. Sommers said the entire event was student-led, from selling tickets to organizing the Spirit Week activities.

A few weeks later, the class traveled to the Bonner Springs Nursing and Rehabilitation Center where they passed out “Thinking of You” cards and socialized with residents.

Some of the students were a little apprehensive about going to the nursing home because they weren’t sure about what to say or do, but after

a few minutes of getting to know the residents their fears were put aside.

“When we first got there, I was a little nervous,” senior Lauren Culter said. “But when we left, I felt good about the work we had done.”

The class concluded the semester by assisting with “The Great Garment Give Away,” which was sponsored by the West Haven Baptist Church

in Tonganoxie.

The class spent part of a seventh-hour block day at the church where they sorted the donated apparel by size, color, and type and put tickets into groups of 20 for the distribution process the next day.

“So often people think only about themselves, but sometimes it’s nice to think about someone else,” senior Savannah Lochert said.



[a sweet kiss]

Senior Dalazha Stokes visits with a resident during the class field trip to the Bonner Springs Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. “It was more than just a project,” Stokes said. “It really touched my heart.”

[sharing joy]

Senior Gabriela Arzabala presents a card to a Spanish-speaking resident. “This class taught me that it’s important to give and not always get something in return,” Arzabala said.

[working out]

Laughing and playing around, Senior Twombly helps with the daily exercise class at the Bonner Springs Rehabilitation Center.

# making [it] count

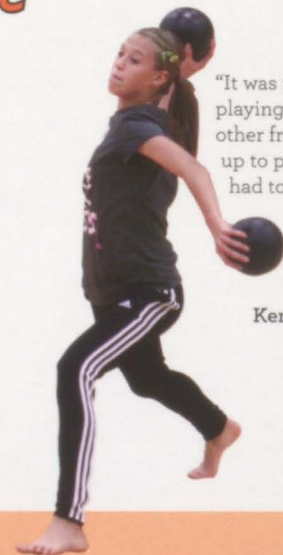
[up in the air]

Senior, Mason Roberts flies high at the Career and Community Connections dodgeball tournament during Projects Time.

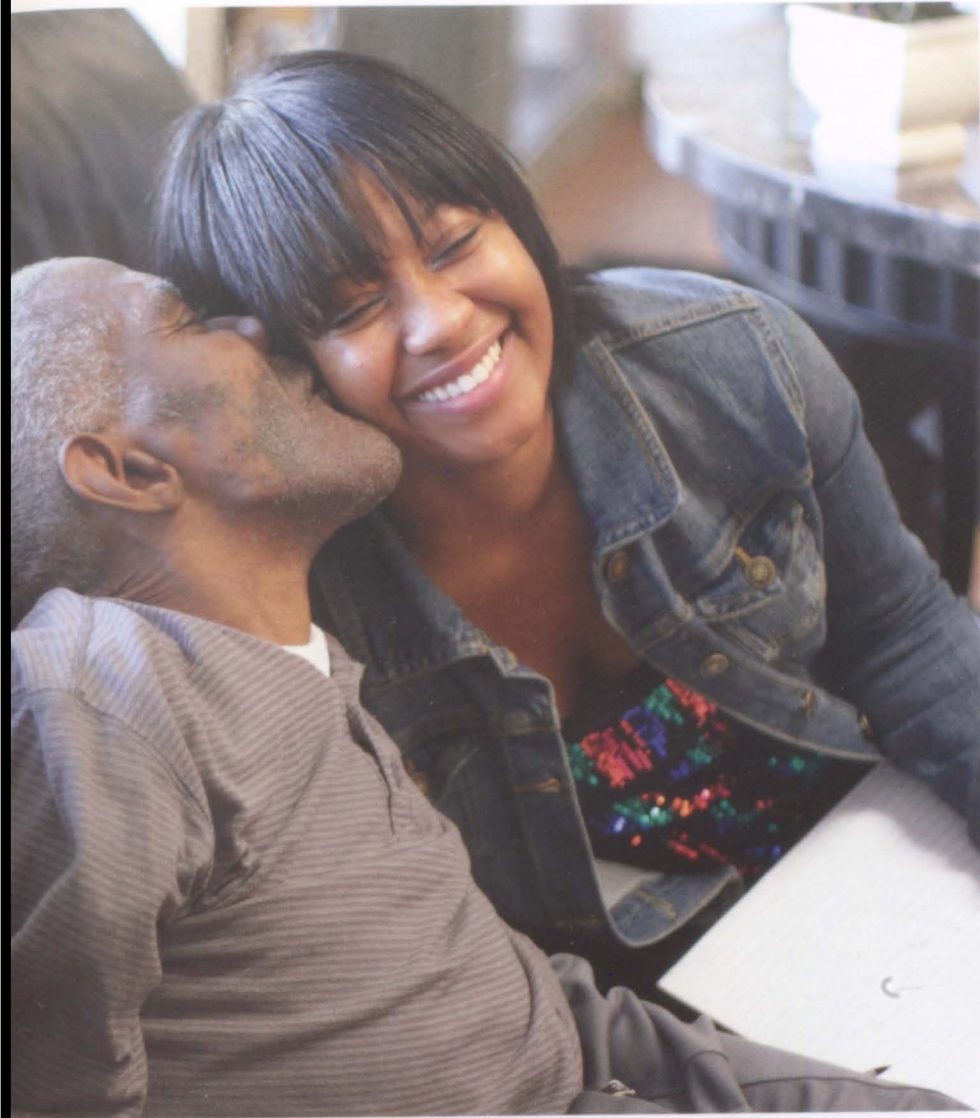


[keeping watch]

Junior Weston Vitt keeps his eyes open while he tries to retrieve a dodgeball without getting hit.



“It was really intense playing dodgeball. No other freshmen signed up to play, so someone had to represent us. For me, the best part was hitting everyone with the dodgeballs.” Kennedy Bacon [09]



"It's a fun class that gives you the chance to help people in your community with your own skills and talents."

Steven Luth [11]



**[playing along]**

Seniors Lauren Culter and Jermaine McGee play UNO with a resident at the Bonner Springs Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. "Going to the nursing home was something I didn't want to do, but fortunately Lauren was asked to play cards and I was able to join in," McGee said. "We ended up having a really good time, and our guy could really play. He won almost every game."

**By the Numbers**

30

Total volunteer hours class members spent helping with The Great Garment Give Away

4,600

Items of clothing that were distributed at The Great Garment Give Away

Money earned from the United Way Spirit Week and dodgeball tournament

850

17

Number of students in the Career and Community Connections class

[greater]  
**Goods**

**[pitching in]**

Senior Dalen Reed tears tickets into groups for the distribution process. "I don't mind doing work to help others and I wouldn't mind going back and doing it again," Reed said.



**[lending a hand]**

Junior Nicole Norris does her part at the garment give away. "It was a humbling experience and definitely worth the work once I saw all the people who got the clothes they needed," Norris said.



**[sorting it out]**  
Junior Paige Perrin works her way through a stack of jeans and shirts.



**[getting started]**

FACS teacher Dawn Sommers gives instruction to her seventh hour class before they begin sorting clothes at the West Haven Baptist Church.



# A touch [of] Color



### [shaping it up]

Junior Brianna Sawyer works on smoothing her vase in Linda Horvath's fourth hour ceramics class. "I would rather work with clay than draw if given the option. My favorite thing, though, is throwing on the wheel," Sawyer said.

### [new challenge]

Senior Jordan Lackner paints Christmas decorations on glasses for English teacher Lisa Lugar as an independent study art project. "It was a good experience because I had never painted on glass and I had to free hand it," Lackner said.



## [classy cups]



"I designed my cup to match the bowl I made earlier in the semester. The cup was harder and more complex because of the coils."

**Lauren Murphy [10]**



"There were a lot of steps to go through, but that's what you have to do to create the perfect cup. I would use it more, but I'm afraid I'll break it."

**Maressa Garcia [10]**



"This was the first time I have ever made a cup. I used a zebra design because it's my favorite print."

**Deana Sumner [10]**



### [smoothed and ready]

Freshman Faith Seaton prepares to cut her clay for a tile project in her sixth hour 3D art class. "I like how art lets you express yourself freely and show your creativity," Seaton said.

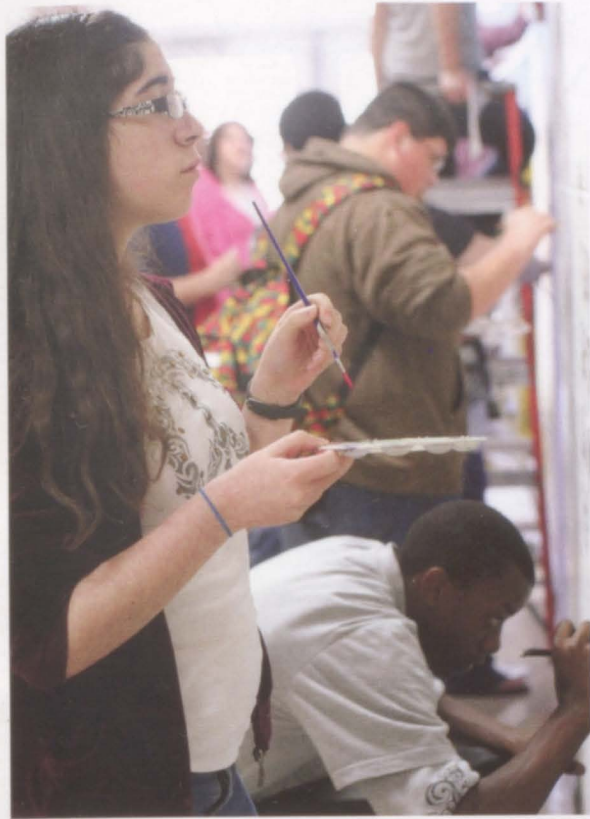
### [throwing on the wheel]

Sophomore Mikaela Bennett focuses on cleaning up her vase while throwing on the wheel. "The hardest thing for me is getting the clay to center on the wheel," Bennett said.



**[the periodic table]**

Sophomore Yasmine Diaz contemplates on what color to use next. "When I took the murals class, I didn't know what to expect but my classmates were a lot of fun to work with," Diaz said.



**[blocking it out]**

Junior Katey Cochren perfects her design for her portion of the mural. "The walls were boring, but now they have more character," Cochran said. "It makes our school stand out."



**[along with the asteroids]**

Junior Brian Gray pays close attention to detail while painting an astronaut. "I chose to focus on space because space exploration is a big interest of mine," Gray said.



**[picking the colors]**

Senior Brenna Williams touches up her lettering. "I've never really painted before," Williams said. "I normally draw so it was a new experience."



"I enjoyed the lamp project because we got to work with wood. I'll probably give my lamp to my mom."

Bailey Nichols [10]

## wall to wall

Like most great works of art, murals take time. Jason Romanishin's sixth hour murals class continues to shape the science hallway into an educational masterpiece.

The science department sought him out three years ago to create a fun learning pathway filled with pictures and formulas.

"It's a collaborative project where they learn how to mix paint and work together," said Romanishin. "They become part of the hallway that will remain for future years."

Although at a glance it may seem complete, the science wing is in need of a few more mural classes next year to finalize the project.



**[getting it right]**

Sophomore Kailey McCorkendale measures the size of her clay before starting to work on a tile for the art patio mural. All of Linda Horvath's 3-D students collaborated to create the mural. "I think the patio wall will look cool when it's finished," McCorkendale said.



Tile by Brianna Sawyer & Shelby Yuncker [11]

## [let there be light]



**[putting it together]**

Sophomore Alyssa Driskill inserts the ribs into the base of her soft circuit textile lamp. Students from Linda Horvath's first hour class made the lamps from black railroad board and iron-on fabric interfacing. To start the process, students created designs in Adobe Photoshop and then transferred them to Adobe Illustrator so that they could be cut out on the Wood Tech CNC machine.



"I really enjoyed how we got to make every part of the lamp by hand and that we could choose our own designs and colors. I incorporated lots of different shapes into my lamp, and I plan to give it to either my mom or cousin as a Christmas gift."

Ksee Sanchez [11]



"Of all the projects I've done in an art class, this one was definitely the best. I'm going to give my lamp to my grandma."

Tyler Ferris [10]



I love science solely due to Mr. Klager. Without him, I probably wouldn't have taken physics my

Morgan LaFon [12]

# Loving your Left Brain

// rachael jensen

**[analyzing reactions]**

Junior Kayla McPherson puts iodine into a test tube to see how it reacts during her fourth-hour Chemistry class.

**[solving for the unknown]**

Chemistry teacher Trisha Elder distributes a mysterious compound to juniors Rachel Barber, Tyler Eickhoff, and Kristina Holgerson during an experiment. "Seeing the different reactions of chemicals was really cool. Some of them became thick and turned a gross brown color," Holgerson said.



**[clear and sharp]**

Senior Coleman Isaacs uses the light from his cell phone in order to create a crisp image during a refraction lab in his fourth-hour Physics class.



## STRESS BREAK?



"When I get overwhelmed, I try to be alone, so I can have time to chill and get my mind off of the stress and on to something else."

Joshua Adams [9]



"I manage my stress by writing down my homework in my agenda, so I know exactly what I need to get done that night and when it's due."

Bailey Shearer [10]



"To reduce my stress, I listen to a lot of instrumental music. Practicing my violin also helps to calm me down."

Lauren Marquez [11]



"I'm stressed mostly all the time. So when I'm overwhelmed I put my work off and procrastinate, creating more stress. I don't catch a break."

Tyler Lentz [12]



Juniors Austin Schuler, left, and Grant Lewis show off the pies they made for their classmates to enjoy in celebration of the 25th annual Pi Day in Andrea Eick's 2nd hour calculus class. Eick allowed her students to participate in this special day to help them realize that "pi is more than just a number." Schuler and Lewis baked four pies of different assortments. "I didn't do a whole lot in the baking aspect of the pies besides mixing ingredients together, but enjoying the pies while learning calculus was a plus," Lewis said.

# UNDER construction

[Students put engineering skills to the test]



**[blowing out the flame]**

Junior Bailey Harris cools down his marshmallow during a s'mores experiment in his third-hour Chemistry class. Students had to ration different pieces of the s'mores to learn about limiting reactants. "The best part was definitely eating the s'mores afterwards," Harris said.

**[exploring new veins]**

Seniors Ryan Minton and Daniel Santana dissect a pig heart in Jan Madlock's fifth hour Anatomy class. "I learned how similar pigs' unithearts are to human hearts in that they both have four chambers," Minton said.



**[carefully constructing]**

Junior Alejandra Ochoa glues together the frame of a roller coaster in Jan Madlock's Integrated Science class. Students had to determine the potential and kinetic energy of their coasters at certain points in its track. Ochoa credited her finished product to her group's ability to work well together. "It took about two weeks to complete, but I was really happy with the teamwork my group portrayed and how ours turned out," Ochoa said.



**[testing his craftsmanship]**

Senior Koby Hobbs puts weights in a bucket attached to the bridge he built in his seventh-hour Physics class. Students in Chris Klager's classes held a competition to see whose design could hold the most weight. "I was aiming to make my bridge light while still holding a lot of weight, but it didn't turn out as well as I thought it would," Hobbs said. "Mostly I was kind of winging it and hoping for the best. If I could do it over, I would probably make more of an arch design because those seem to work better."

## Math [or] Science?



"I prefer science because there's always more than one answer while in math it is always straightforward with a single answer, so you're either right or wrong. My favorite unit so far has been learning about space; it was really interesting."

Sulem Prado [9]



"I like math more. To me, it's more logical and I like learning the formulas. You are given steps to follow when solving a problem and there is always a solution, unlike science where things seem to be more conceptual."

Skyler Lucas [11]

[Ready, Set, Graph]



**[racing to the board]**

Junior Brenden Dotson does his best in a crab walk relay in Andrea Eick's sixth hour Math Proficiency class. Eick's students competed in a variety of races as a hands-on way to practice graphing linear equations.



**[graphing equations]**

Sophomore Lewis Henry hurries to complete a problem while in competition against his peers. "I've learned a lot in Math Proficiency this year, but that activity wasn't my favorite because I'm a bit on the lazy side," Henry said.

## EASY [as] $\pi$



Many would think being an underclassmen in an advanced math class would be a difficult task to take on and maybe even somewhat intimidating. Sophomore Jake Wylie thinks otherwise.

"It isn't hard at all," said Wylie, who is in College Algebra.

"My teacher treats everyone the same and doesn't give any certain advantages to the upperclassmen. Plus, I catch on quickly so it hasn't been too stressful."

Wylie attributes his success in upper level math to staying focused, taking good notes, and using class time wisely so he doesn't have to worry about work at home.

# Going CLUBBIN'

// tre scott

[Students enjoy various academic competition]

After six months of practice and four meets to help them sharpen their skills, the weekend they had been training for finally arrived. Two full days of speeches and testing would push the students to their mental limit.

This year, the Academic Decathlon team went to Manhattan to participate in the state competition. They competed in the ten events: art, economics, language and literature, mathematics, music, science, social science, essay, interview and speech.

The team walked away with 27 medals and a second-place plaque for their division.

ONE DOES NOT  
SIMPLY QUIT  
ACADEMIC  
DECATHLON.

[thinking it over]

Sophomores Brittany Spencer, left, and Kelsey Wheeler answer a question for Super Quiz. "It's kind of nerve-racking because you're under a 10-second time limit," Spencer said.



[hole in the wall]

Junior Dakota Nason sits in a study spot while competing at the state meet at K-State. "We were taking a tour and it looked really comfortable," Nason said.



[super quiz]

Senior Rebekah Thompson and freshman Tyler Dill work to answer questions for Super Quiz. "All of the questions were over Russian poetry and people so that made them even harder than usual," Dill said.



[brain isn't the only muscle]

Senior Chad Uhl helps set up for the regional Academic Decathlon meet at BSHS. "Although I couldn't compete, I was still glad to come and help out," Uhl said.

## Club Medals

### Academic Decathlon

27 Medals Total

#### Top Scorers

Sierra Seacat - 7  
Courtney Wheeler - 7

### Science Olympiad

Tre Scott - 6th Place  
Daniel Mejia - 6th Place

## MEMORIES

scholars  
bowl

### Practices

"I like practice the most just because of all of the randomness. Everybody shouting out the answers to questions is really funny and makes me glad my siblings brought me in and had me try Quiz Bowl."

Odin Hart [9]



### Dinner

"Getting to spend time with my team members and bonding after a meet are the best parts of Quiz Bowl, and doing it while eating just makes it that much better."

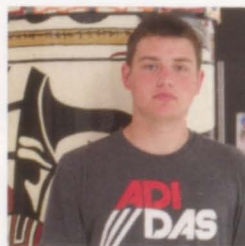
Sierra Seacat [12]



### Van Rides

"I enjoy the questions that Mrs. Wood asks on our way to meets and the jokes that everyone makes while we are going to different places."

Jacob Dobbs [10]

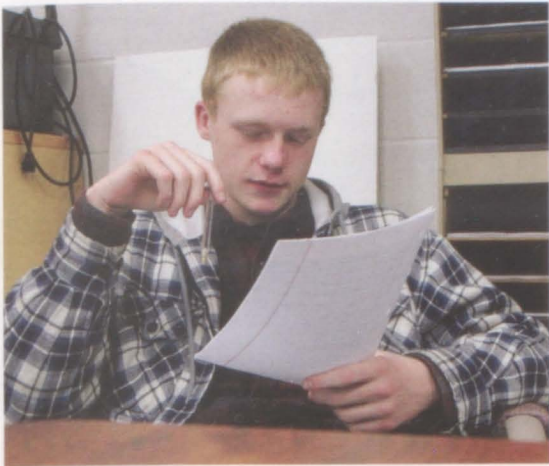


### Meets

"I like the social aspect of meets. Talking with other teams and answering questions against them can get fun and really punny. I like hanging out with friends and answering the tough questions."

Demetri Hart [11]





**[using your brain]**

Sophomore Sam Johnson looks over his questions for the defense during a Mock Trial practice. "It was tricky trying to tell the story through the questions I had to ask. Being a lawyer gave me some perspective as to what they have to do daily," Johnson said.

**[delivering an opening statement]**

Sophomore J.T. Johnson practices his role as lawyer. "Being a lawyer is the biggest responsibility of Mock Trial because you have to know your part and everyone else's," he said.



**[questioning the witness]**

Sophomore Bailey Pressler, top left, answers questions on the stand while working with Mock Trial sponsor Linda Orangkhadivi. "The actual meet day was kind of terrifying, but once I got through the first round, everything went smoothly," Pressler said.

**[solving the problem]**

Seniors Jordan Lackner, left, and Courtney Wheeler work together at a Quiz Bowl meet. "Quiz Bowl is great because you can check your answers with your team to see if you're on the same track," Lackner said.



**[check your work]**

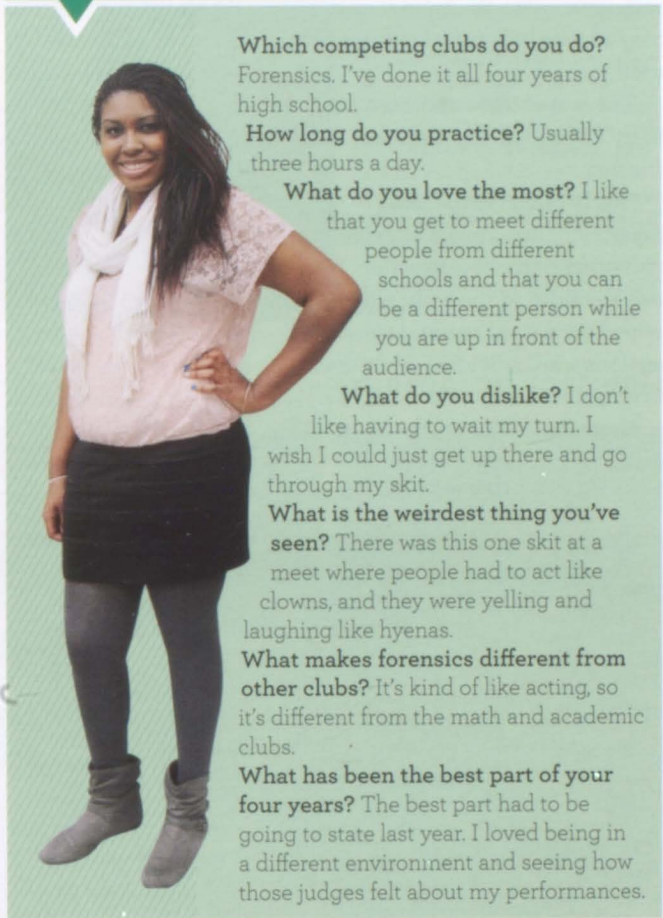
Junior Daniel Mejia and senior Aaron Lewis collaborate to solve a math problem at a Quiz Bowl meet. "Since I'm not a math genius, I just told him to go ahead, and I'm pretty sure he got it wrong," Lewis said.



"Competing clubs allow students to learn and experience new things in a fun and safe environment."

Brian Gray [9]

**LiNelle Wilson [12]**



**Which competing clubs do you do?** Forensics. I've done it all four years of high school.

**How long do you practice?** Usually three hours a day.

**What do you love the most?** I like that you get to meet different people from different schools and that you can be a different person while you are up in front of the audience.

**What do you dislike?** I don't like having to wait my turn. I wish I could just get up there and go through my skit.

**What is the weirdest thing you've seen?** There was this one skit at a meet where people had to act like clowns, and they were yelling and laughing like hyenas.

**What makes forensics different from other clubs?** It's kind of like acting, so it's different from the math and academic clubs.

**What has been the best part of your four years?** The best part had to be going to state last year. I loved being in a different environment and seeing how those judges felt about my performances.

**why we do it**



"Mock Trial is kind of a tradition passed down from my sister that I've been happy to continue. It's just really fun and I enjoy it. It keeps me social."

Victoria Hoover [9]



"I like participating in Mock Trial because it's something fun to do. It also helps you learn good acting, memorization, and quick-thinking skills."

Abigail Torres [10]



"I do Quiz Bowl because it's a little challenging, and I like working out the tough problems and answering questions with the other people on my team."

Lucas Bolejack [11]



"It made me happy to be able to say I've been a part of an extracurricular activity like Mock Trial and to encourage others to do stuff when they get here too."

Savannah Lochert [12]

# ALWAYS [on] the move

[New events, new assistant director boost band]

Kicking off in the summer with an August camp, the band stayed busy all year long with several new additions.

The first of these additions was Kerry Wixon, the new associate band director.

"Kerry brings to the band department many years of experience with middle school instruction. He's also a woodwind specialist who helped our saxophone and woodwind sections with individual work," band director Bill Turley said.

Under Wixon's lead, the band sponsored Marachapalooza, something he had done when he was

in high school.

"He [Wixon] wanted to create a capstone event for our marching season and did so," director Bill Turley said. "It was a huge success."

Another new event was "Alumni Band Night" where former students and community members joined the pep band for a basketball game.

"It was something I created with Brian Berg, a 1999 BSHS graduate. We had talked for a year or two about how much fun it would be," Turley said.

"Both events have strengthened our bond with the community and give our students a chance to show off what they can do," Turley said.



[half-time harmony]

[providing a rhythm]

The band takes the field during a home halftime show. The band performed the show at marching festivals at K-State and Odessa, Mo.

Sophomore percussionist D.J. Simpson plays the band off the field after a halftime show. "The best part was going out and having all eyes on us," Simpson said.



## Justin Carroll

**What are the responsibilities of a drum major?**

A drum major is someone who is in charge of the band and who makes sure everyone is doing what needs to be done. He or she also conducts the band during marching performances.

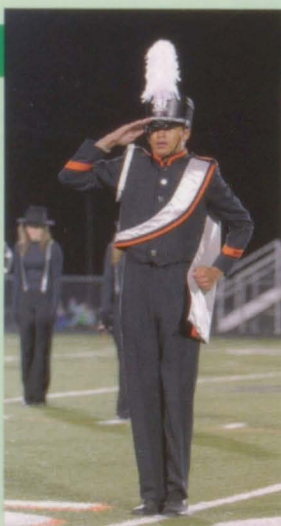
**How do you become a drum major?**

You audition for it and our band director, Mr. Turley, sends your audition tape off to multiple other band directors and they look at it and say, "Well, this kid did really well."

**What was the toughest part of the job?** Getting over that nervous feeling when conducting in front of people.

**What was your favorite performance?**

The one we did at the K-State marching festival. Not only because it was a new place, but the competition was a lot different.





"High school band was a totally new and enjoyable experience. It was fun going on trips and playing together."

Griffin Mareske [09]

## [marchapalooza]



### [taking it inside]

The band and dance team came together to perform the first-ever indoor marching show on Nov. 13. To kick off the event, the band marched into the field show cadence until they filled the auditorium. After that, everything from jazz to rock classics was featured. *Clockwise from far left:* freshman Lilly Lackner and the rest of the band kick off the show; seniors Courtney Wheeler and Renae Maxey shout "Hey Pachuco" during the maxey number; junior Peter Jenkins and the rest of the trumpet section contribute to one of the band's numbers on the stage.



## [marching festival]



### [making a move]

Sophomores J.T. Johnson, Joe Casteel, and Jessica Christensen take the field at the 3rd annual BSHS Marching festival on Sept. 21.

### [building a foundation]

Freshman Lucy Florez and sophomore Jacob Dobbs work with a graduate student from K-State to improve their technique during sectional work.

### [beautiful music]

Sophomore Rachel Johnson, junior Jack Klingele and sophomore Justice Nicholson perform with the woodwind section at the festival.

## [mind GAMES]

What's your trick for memorizing music?



"I usually memorize music by looking at it over again and again. We play the music so much that it's engraved into our brains. Mr. Turley also plays the songs a lot, even when we're not playing, so the songs definitely get stuck in our heads."

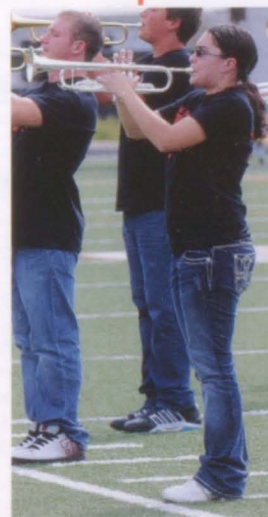
Aaron Ashford [10]



"I usually think about the lyrics of the song while I play it. It's easier to memorize music when it's music most people already know. Then, you can put lyrics to the part you play."

Keith Lambie [12]

## John Philips Sousa [award winner]



"Receiving the John Philips Sousa award meant a lot. I was definitely surprised and speechless when they announced my name. Band has been a major part of my life since fifth grade. I don't know who I would be today without it."

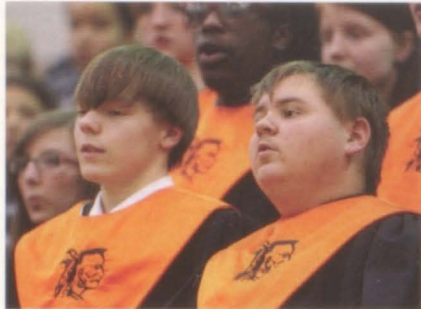
Renae Maxey [12]

# The Beautiful

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# Music

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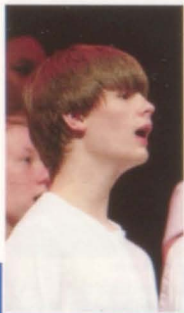


**[dynamic duo]**

Freshman Devyn Robben, left, and junior Nathan Schaber perform with the tenor section. "Choir is like a family; it's a good way to ease my nerves," Schaber said.

**[vocals and emotion]**

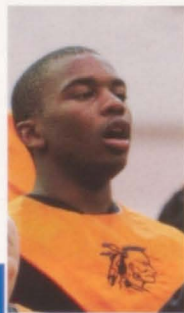
Junior Darien Stogner sings his heart out at the Cavalcade of Choirs Concert. "Choir and music are the most enjoyable thing for me in my life," Stogner said.



**[tenor]**

"My big sister inspired me to join choir, and the atmosphere is something that I really enjoy."

Steffan Mefferd [9]



**[bass]**

"Choir is a really great experience and a lot of doors open up because of it."

Deion McQuarters [11]



**[alto]**

"I like choir because you can express yourself and you can also be loud."

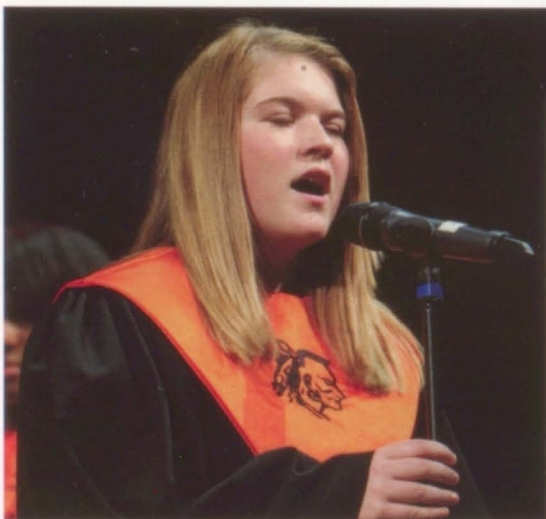
Amber Lies [10]



**[soprano]**

"Being in choir is very fun and relaxing for me because I am doing something that I love."

Ciara Turner [12]



"My nephew and I are very competitive. He ended up getting our grandpa's fishing skills and I got our grandma's singing ability. My grandma passed away from cancer, so I like to sing for her since I never got the chance to know her. My brother has always told me to let my singing out and be heard because I am so passionate. I want to become a choir professor and inspire others. Choir just means so much to me."

Chelsea Fletcher [9]



"I have always enjoyed singing and when I was younger I would attend the high school choir concerts to watch them. I ended up falling in love with it. I always wanted to be involved and I'm glad that I finally got to."

Madison Stumbough [10]



**[representing our school]**

The Project X choir sings the national anthem at the Class 4A boys basketball state tournament in Salina. They were also asked to sing the anthem at a Missouri Mavericks hockey game.

**[bringing out the harmony]**

Senior Cassadi Nobles, left, and junior Stephanie Gear express their contrasting voices while performing at the Cavalcade of Choirs.



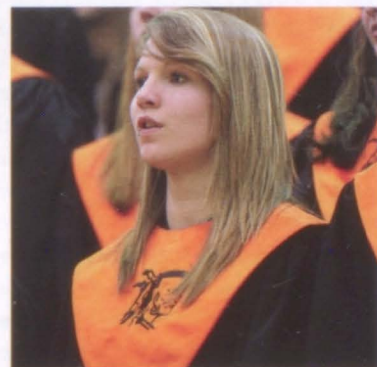
"Choir is a good experience because we get to travel and compete."

David Arnold [12]

**HONORS**

**KVL Solo**  
Aarionna Holliday  
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Alex Martinez  
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Ciara Turner

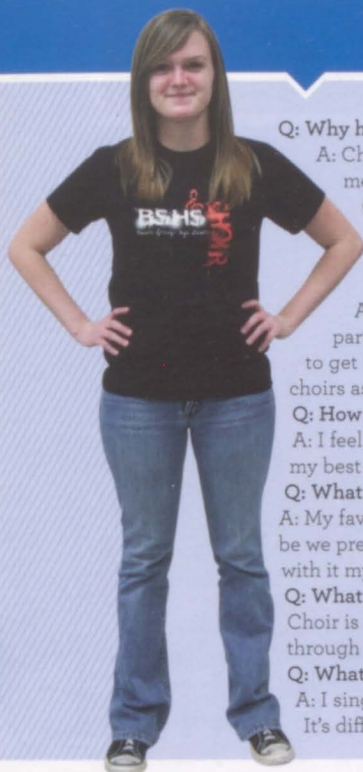
**All-State  
Mid-Level  
Choir**  
Devyn Robben  
Darius Sheppard



**[lifting her voice]**

Junior Kortni Sanborn carries her voice over the crowd while performing with A Cappella. "Choir means a lot to me because I've loved singing and since I was very little," Sanborn said.

**What's the Scoop?**  
[vocal]



**Q: Why have you been a part of choir all four years?**

**A:** Choir has been a passion of mine. It helps me relax and lets me escape from doing school work for a couple of hours.

**Q: Who is your muse?**

**A:** My muse is Adele. She is a great singer who is captivating. I strive to be as good as her.

**Q: Why did you join Project X?**

**A:** I wanted to join Project X because it allowed me to be a part of something bigger. I like it because you have to audition to get it, so it's just the best of the best. We're closer than other choirs as well.

**Q: How do you feel before singing at competition?**

**A:** I feel nervous, but excited. The only thing on my mind is to do my best for myself and the group.

**Q: What has been your favorite song throughout the years?**

**A:** My favorite song is "We Are the World." It may be a clichéd song, but we performed it at graduation and did a flash mob at Target with it my sophomore year. It always brings back good memories.

**Q: What is choir like for you?**

**A:** Choir is a great experience because you get to express yourself through the music you sing.

**Q: What part do you sing in choir?**

**A:** I sing alto. I enjoy it because altos almost always sing harmony. It's difficult at times, but we make the songs more interesting.



**By the Numbers**

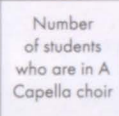
Number of females who sing in all choirs



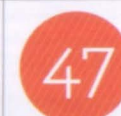
Number of males who sing in all choirs



Number of students who are in A Cappella choir



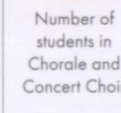
Number of students who are a part of Project X



Number of females who participate in Women's Ensemble



Number of students in Chorale and Concert Choir



"I enjoy choir because I love singing and you can break out in song in choir without anybody looking at you weird. I'm a soprano 1; I get to sing the melody and sing as loud as I want."

Hayley Hinton [11]



"Singing makes me feel happy, not matter what mood I'm in. It's something to look forward to every day. Sometimes it gets tough, but the fun-to-work ratio is super high."

Shawn Stirling [12]

# Learning [to] LEAD

## [New class increases Stuco opportunities]

For the first time, returning Student Council members had an unprecedented opportunity: the ability to meet as a regular class instead of during Projects Time.

The new class, simply called Leadership, was taught by Stuco sponsor Adrienne DeLeon.

"Mr. Hornback and I were talking about ways we could improve the program and the school and one of the best solutions we came up with was to have Student Council become a class," DeLeon said.

With their newfound time, Stuco members were able to broaden their horizons and to

take on new projects.

One of those projects was the Training Stallions Building Braves Campaign. The high school students collaborated with the Bonner Springs Elementary student leaders to instill positive character traits.

Other projects included staff appreciation gifts and various interactions with the special education department.

The final component of the class was learning how to be a leader. From parliamentary procedure to leadership styles, students were challenged to become better leaders.



Shelby Taylor [10]

"Class time was beneficial because we could put more effort into our projects and it increased the quality."



### [spread the love]

Senior Samantha Ricci-Weller draws a heart for a Valentine's Day card for the residents of the Bonner Springs Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Stuco members prepared multiple cards and other seasonal gifts for the residents.

### [making faces]

Freshman Katelin Lake and senior Madison Epp get ready to color masks during a Stuco-sponsored surprise Halloween party for the Life Skills class.



### [final countdown]

Junior Kennedy Bizzell sets up flower decorations for the annual WPA dance hosted by Stuco. Despite the extra class time, members still had to come in on the weekends to decorate.



## Baby [shower] SURPRISE



"This was my first baby shower, and it was nice to do something special for a great teacher. I went with my mom to the store to get diapers for Mrs. DeLeon. I'd never bought those before either. You could tell that she was surprised and that she enjoyed the whole event."

Jordan Jackson [11]



"We didn't find out Mrs. DeLeon was pregnant until she was pretty far along. Dawn Jackson, who is an administrative assistant at BSE, and Principal Kim Mitchell helped us set up the baby shower. Kennedy Bizzell and I thought it would be sweet to make her a baby blanket, so we picked out fleece, jungle-themed fabric and made it. It was so cute watching her open her gifts."

Kimberly Sanchez [11]



# Building Braves & Training Stallions

With all the changes, Student Council members had the opportunity to take on bigger projects and truly connect with the community. The biggest project for the class was a partnership with Bonner Springs Elementary's student leaders.

Officially named "Building Braves and Training Stallions," the outreach focused on instilling positive character traits in the young leaders during block-day monthly meetings at BSE. Each month brought a new group of kids and a new character trait.

"I really loved seeing the kids come out of their shells," senior Samantha Ricci-Weller said.



"I worked with the youngest group, kindergarten through first grade. I liked seeing the kids learn about each of the character traits. It was great to see how excited they were to be student leaders. Kickball was my favorite activity because the kids really got into and everyone was having a great time."

Stephanie Gear [11]



"I got to work with the second- and third-graders. I liked seeing them interact because they were so different from us. My favorite memory was when we played a game called "Pterodactyl." Some of the kids couldn't pronounce it, but they had a lot of fun trying. Overall, I think we helped to make them more confident."

Cassie Stock [10]



"My grade level was fourth and fifth grades. I enjoyed getting to see their faces when they first walked down the hall towards us. When we were cheering for them, you could tell they were pretty proud of themselves too. Sadly, since our kids were older, they weren't as willing to participate."

Madison Stumbough [10]



**[listening closely]**  
Senior Tessa Newberry enjoys a story told by an October student leader.



**[whispering]**  
Junior Shelby Mata listens to a March student leader whisper a phrase in her ear during a game of telephone. "The program was really rewarding," Mata said.

**[story time]**  
Junior Caroline Clark and senior Jason Van Maren read a story on respect to the October student leaders. "The kids enjoyed the stories," said Clark.



## Character Trait CALENDAR

August	COMPASSION
September	RESPECT
October	RESPONSIBILITY
November	SELF DISCIPLINE
December	COMPASSION
January	RESPECT
February	RESPECT
March	QUALITY
April	SELF DISCIPLINE
May	RESPONSIBILITY



**[leading the way]**  
Junior Hailey Kendrick escorts two student leaders back to their classrooms after the March visit.



"The assemblies always have good organization. I like all the prizes and how the teachers participate."

Alex Shearer [12]

**[doing his best]**

Junior Connor Bennett tries to unwrap a Hershey's kiss while wearing oven mitts at the first Renaissance Assembly. "It was more difficult than it looked. I also learned that day that I am not good at catching marshmallows in my mouth," Bennett said.

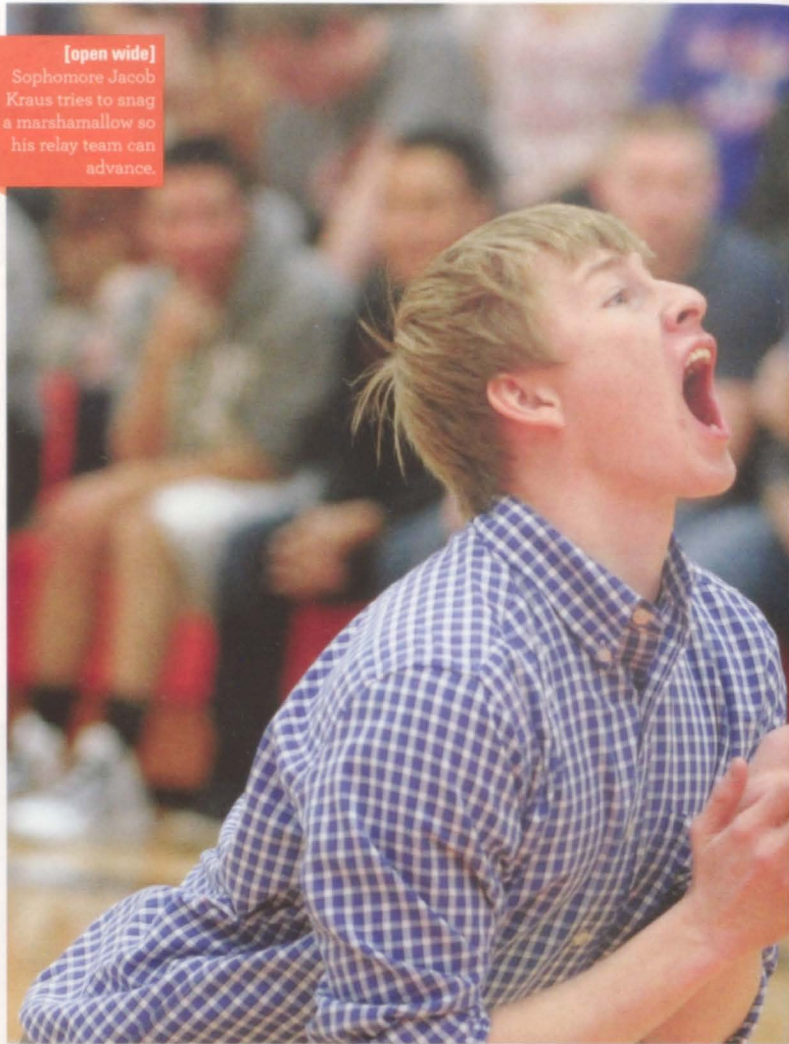
**[a little healthy competition]**

Spanish teacher Kelly Hoopes is surprised by the competitiveness between the staff. "The musical chairs game between the teachers has become a fun tradition. All of the teachers enjoy it and definitely fight to the end to win," Hoopes said



**[open wide]**

Sophomore Jacob Kraus tries to snag a marshmallow so his relay team can advance.



# fun & games

// madison epp

[Assemblies offer change-of-pace opportunities]

Now in its fourth year, the Renaissance program continues to provide opportunities for students who display academic achievement and good attendance. This successful program has motivated students by rewarding them with gift cards, a lunch trip to the Legends, Brave Bucks that can be used in the Brave Cave, early releases, free movie events, and snacks and desserts.

The teacher-recognition committee sponsors one assembly per semester, and they do their

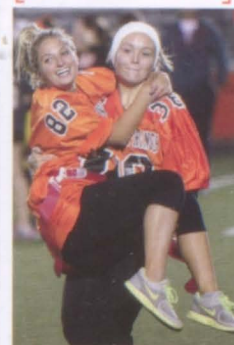
best to keep them lively.

"We think up a lot of ideas on our own, but we also try to get student feedback to see what they like. It normally takes us one to two weeks to prepare for each assembly and a lot of teachers are involved to help plan it out," Spanish teacher Kelly Hoopes said.

Teachers work hard every day to motivate their students to do better. This program will continue to grow and motivate students in their academics and attendance.



## [Powder Puff]



### [in a victory moment]

The black team celebrates its win, making it the third consecutive year the sophomores and juniors have won. The annual Powder Puff game is a major fundraiser for the Kayettes.

### [fighting for the win]

Freshman Tae'Lor Groves races down the field while juniors Bailey Hightower and Bailey Sears rush in to make the stop.



### [with a little humor]

Senior Sammie Ricci-Weller carries teammate Taylor Coleman off the field during the annual Kayettes Powder Puff game. "The past two years our class has won, and we were hoping to continue this streak," Ricci-Weller said. "But since we were losing, Taylor and I thought we would have a little fun and have Taylor fake an injury."

## Outstanding Students

Average number of seniors who received either an orange or black card

62

68

Average number of juniors who received an orange or black card

Average number of sophomores who received an orange or black card

82

108

Average number of freshmen who received an orange or black card

### [tugging with teamwork]

Seniors Miranda McCullough and Drew Clark work together in the tug-of-war contest at the first Renaissance Assembly. "I don't why I was in the front. I should have been in the middle because I'm weak," McCullough said. "It was still fun even though we lost. I did really want to beat Logan Shearer, though."



## [Cheerleaders]

### [showing off their skills]

Seniors Logan Terrell and Aaron Lewis take their cheering to the next level. "The night was very interesting. Cheering is day in and day out for me," Terrell joked. "I think Aaron and I showed our best that night."



### [entertaining the crowd]

Seniors Tanner Clark and Aaron Puckett and the rest of the cheerleaders play a lively game of "Duck, Duck, Goose" during halftime. "Cheering was more fun and challenging than I expected," Clark said.



### [raise it high]

Senior Chance Stites holds up a wig in victory during the cheerleader's halftime dog pile. "I'm really surprised we didn't get asked back to every sporting event considering how pretty and talented we were," Stites said.



"I was inspired to help create the Clean Sweep project by the Green Team. We wanted to do more."

Skyler Roach [10]

## [Green Team & Ecology Task Force]



**[doing his part]**

Sophomore member Jon Nay prepares to take out recycled goods. "Green Team was a great way for all of my friends to get together while doing something good," Nay said.

Under the direction of art teacher Jason Romanishin, the Green Team has been doing its part to encourage recycling for three years.

During Projects Time on Thursdays, approximately 25 club members pick up plastic, paper, and aluminum from individual classrooms and from several large bins throughout the school.

To support their efforts, the Green Team connected with students in Sarabeth Morgan's fourth hour Advanced Studies class to sponsor "The Clean Sweep" project, where students from five different classes signed up to help the custodial staff by sweeping the halls and picking up recycling during their lunch period on block days.



**[doing her part]**

Sophomore Courtney Roush sweeps the basement hallway before returning to her fifth-hour biology class as part of the "Clean Sweep" project. "I didn't mind doing it. It's always nice to see the school being clean," Roush said.

**[kodak moment]**

Freshmen Lucy Florez and Katelin Lake snap a picture of a goose while strolling through the Topeka Zoo.

# Creating character & memorable moments

// rachael jensen

## [Students seek to make a difference]

*"If a child, any child, can learn to carry on a friendship, he or she has a greater chance for success in life."*

—Becky Ottinger

Ottinger's quote eloquently describes the goals of the Friendship Group, one of the school's fastest-growing clubs.

Now with more than 60 members, Friendship Group continues to evolve and to make a difference in the lives of all who join.

According to sponsor Denise Chowning, the goal of the group is to give students the chance to interact and create friendships with those who struggle socially and behaviorally.

Every identified student is matched with three to five general-education peers and they spend the year building relationships through weekly meetings and special events.

Chowning said the general-education students are chosen for their character and empathy and the goal would be "for these peers to educate the rest of the student population so that throughout the school and community all students will be accepted and included."

To give members a chance for social interactions outside of school, the group enjoyed trips to the Cider Hill Apple Orchard and the Topeka Zoo.



**[around the fire]**

Junior Kassandra McKelvin gets ready to toast marshmallows with fellow junior Cody Crider at the Friendship Group outing to the Cider Hill Apple Orchard.

**[learning and observing]**

Freshman Linda Thao practices diapering a baby at the Job Olympics while her peer buddy, junior Hannah Hunt, looks on. "The peers who go always come away with insights into different disabilities and with great respect for the talent they see there," sponsor Denise Chowning said.





**[a day in the hay]**

Senior Jacob Sopher pets an alpaca during the Friendship Group's trip to the Topeka Zoo. "It's a small zoo, and the students really enjoyed being able to interact with the animals," sponsor Denise Chowning said. "The peer buddies had handouts to help guide the interactions and to make the trip educational yet fun."



**[enjoying the view]**

Freshman Nicole Hill and Caeleb Otting admire the bears through a window while visiting the zoo. "I enjoyed the field trip because Caeleb had such a good time. I love seeing him happy," Hill said.

**[my perspective]**



"Being in Friendship Group and working in Mrs. Marriott's Life Skills classroom first hour has reaffirmed my decision to become a special education teacher. I really enjoyed the trip to the zoo because it was fun to see how excited everyone got when seeing the animals."

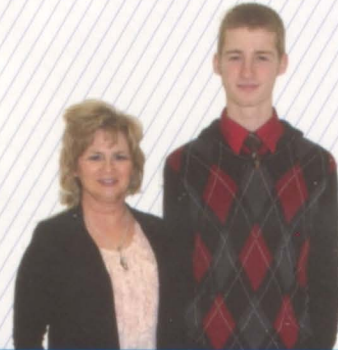
Loren Bergstrom [12]



Anthony Foster and LiNelle Wilson



Shannon McKelvin and Jacob Sopher



Tammy Dooley and Travis Dooley



Jennifer Stinnett and Robert Glenn

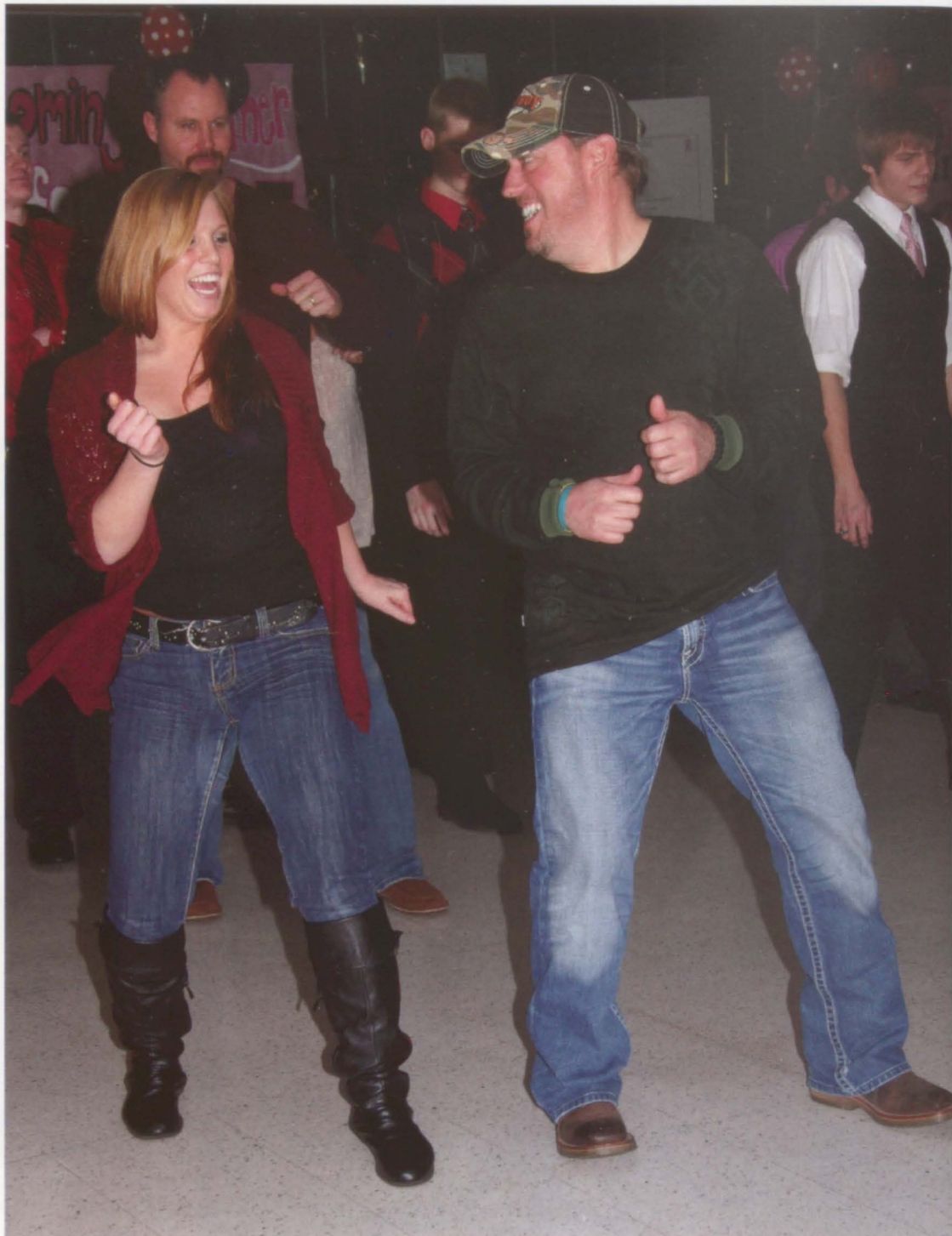
**[never breaking a smile]**

Senior Leah Walker gets down with her dad. "The night was amazing and I had a ball with my dad. It was funny to see him dance because I didn't know he had all of those moves. I'm glad I got to spend time with my dad at something new and different," Walker said.



**[coordinating colors]**

Senior Lauren Culter and her dad, Dustin, enjoy their memorable night together. "My mom thought it'd be a cute idea for us to match," Culter said. "I had a good time with my dad, and it was nice to spend time together."





Cassady Holloway and Mike Holloway

Alexandria Jenkins and Chris Jenkins



"It was a better time than I thought it would be. It was an important night for my mom, and I wanted to make it fun."

Tanner Clark [12]

# THE Parents

// madison epp *still got it*

### [boot scootin' boogie]

Senior Sydney Turner and her dad, Glenn, have a surprisingly fun time at the dance after they made the decision to attend at the last minute.

### [all dressed up]

Senior Micaela Reed and her dad Randy enjoy their last time at the parent dance. "I love dancing with my dad because he's kind of a dork," Reed said.



### [rocking out]

Seniors Taylor Coleman, Madison Epp, and Ciera Sweeney encourage the parents to come and dance to "Party Like a Rockstar." "It was a really good experience for my dad and I to go to the dance together because I never expected to go to a father/daughter dance with him," Sweeney said. "I'll never forget the memories."

## [Generations mix at annual Parent Dance]

Many students cringe at the thought of going to a dance with their mom or dad, saying how much they would be embarrassed, but students who attended the fourth annual Parent Dance would tell you otherwise.

"I didn't know what to expect going into the dance, but everyone seemed to have a good time and I think my mom was glad that I went with her," junior Travis Dooley said.

Like they did last year, a large group met for dinner before the dance at Twisters in Bonner Springs to start off the night right.

Senior Sydney Turner and her dad,

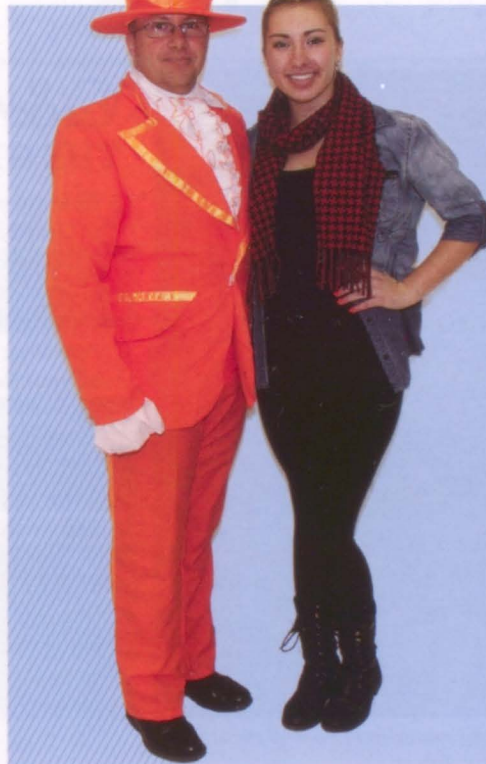
Glenn, were part of that group and had only planned to go to dinner and not attend the dance.

"After eating with the group, my dad and I were convinced to go. I'm glad I went because I was able to spend time with my dad that I wouldn't normally get," said Turner.

In previous years, the parent dance featured Jim Mitchell's live band, but this year students wanted a disc jockey.

"It was fun having the band last year because Mr. Mitchell is a really good singer, but everyone was able to dance more to the songs the DJ played," senior Brenna McQuitty said.

## Making an [entrance]



"I DJ part-time and constantly see uptight dads who refuse to let loose, dance, and have a little fun. So, I thought that if I go out and look silly, it would break the ice and loosen up some of those frigid fathers. I have only had [the tuxedo] since October. It was not expensive, as it is a costume that I got online and is not a 'real' tuxedo. The night was really a lot of fun. I saw most of the dads get out on the dance floor and have a good time. That is what it is all about. Life is too short to be serious all of the time."

Todd Taylor

"I came downstairs ready to go for the father/daughter dance and I saw my traffic-cone colored dad ready to hit the dance floor. It didn't really surprise me because he loves to dance and it was his way of trying to 'embarrass' me. I got a kick out of it."

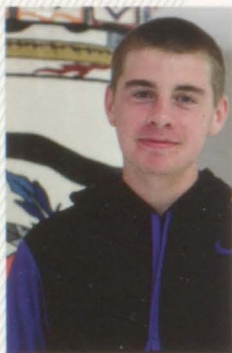
Skyler Taylor [12]

# the written WORD

// andrea wiglesworth

## Order **VS.** Chaos

Mrs. Smith's class has focused on the importance of order in society



"The theme of order vs. chaos was obvious in every book we read this year. I believe this theme relates to real life situations. Most of the time, good things would happen, but would go bad over time, just like in *Lord of the Flies*. At the beginning, the boys had strict rules, but over time began to argue and fight. Because of this, their society became chaotic. If I learned anything from reading these books, it was to stay true to myself and not let outside influences change who I am."

Connor Byers [9]

If I could hang-out with any fictional character it would be...



"I would hang out with Kilgore Trout, who appears in a few different Kurt Vonnegut novels. It's rare to find a character with as large an imagination as the writer themselves, and I think that added a lot of interest for me to Vonnegut's books."

Stephanie Cook [11]



"Harry Potter is the character I would hang out with if I had the chance. I have read the books, and I think it would be cool to see him do magic. Hopefully he would perform all of his spells for me. It would be awesome."

Robert Crowley [9]



"I would hang out with Morrow from *Courting Morrow Little*. The story happens in the 1700's and Morrow had many adventures. She was a cool person, and I would really like to meet her."

Grace Bennett [10]



Seniors Joshua Bonwell, left, and T.J. Kimbrough perform their *Beowulf* rap at the Black History Assembly on Feb. 19.

## Q&A [with] THE GEAT BOYS

**Q:** How did you acquire the name "The Geat Boys"?

**T.J.:** Our rap was about *Beowulf* and he was from Geatland, so we just went with that.

**Q:** How long did it take you to write your *Beowulf* rap?

**T.J.:** I wrote the entire thing in two days. We had time during class, and that is where I completed the majority of it.

**Q:** Did you have a videographer?

**T.J.:** For the filming, Josh and I usually switched off videotaping. For the shots that included both of us, we had to get creative and stack books or use a tripod for the camera.

**Q:** Did the editing process take a long time?

**T.J.:** Well, we first tried to edit the video at Josh's house, but it wouldn't work on his computer. So, the next day we had to ask Streit to use his computers. After that, it only took about two hours to edit the whole thing.

**Q:** Was the video worth it?

**T.J.:** I would say it was definitely worth it. We received a lot of recognition for it and the teachers enjoyed it a lot. We turned it in to KSTL, a video journalism contest, and received a fourth-place finish. I only wish that it could have been longer, as we had to keep it under three minutes.



"The Great Gatsby is a wonderful piece of literature with a very interesting story line."

Weston Vitt [11]



**[into the story]**

Sophomore J.T. Johnson reads his way through *To Kill A Mockingbird* in his 7th hour English class. "I actually liked all of the books we read this year," Johnson said. "I really enjoy literature."

## All About [English]



"I absolutely adore English, and I plan to stick with what I know and love."

This year, Senior Sydney Shepherd had the opportunity to deeply involve herself in her favorite subject, English, through her senior project and her position as co-editor-in-chief of the BSHS *Pow Wow*.

For her senior project, Shepherd organized a book club at Bonner Springs Elementary School for 3rd and 4th graders. In this book club, they would read together and explore different genres. Shepherd's goal was to teach them to pick out books they wanted to read, so they would enjoy the activity. In addition to this, Shepherd held a book drive for the Bonner Springs Public Library.

Shepherd also enjoyed the chance to celebrate the written word through the *Pow Wow*.

"I thought our newspaper was a huge success this year. We had options for using color and our staff truly poured their heart and souls into the paper," Shepherd said.

Shepherd says she is pleased that her senior year involved so much English. When asked why this subject captivates her she said, "I love that through language you can create anything. You can hurt or harm and you can also bring people together."

# required readings

## Macbeth [vs] Beowulf

"When choosing which literary work I preferred, I would go based off of the main characters. I liked *Beowulf* more because his heart is good as compared to *Macbeth*, whose heart is filled with evil. But back to why I say *Beowulf*, he is like a superhero. He was never selfish or ungrateful and he would put his life on the line to protect anyone. I think *Beowulf* is in some ways the image of what men should be like. All in all, I found *Beowulf* to be an honest, respectful, and caring man."

Tanise England [12]

## Lord of the Flies [vs] Romeo and Juliet

"I enjoyed *Lord of The Flies* more than *Romeo and Juliet*. I didn't like *Romeo and Juliet* because the language was hard to follow, and I didn't like that it was in play format. *Lord of the Flies* was more relatable to me because I am a guy, and the kids on the island were boys. Also, it had a lot of action scenes, which was cool."

Michael Amayo [9]

## To Kill A Mockingbird [vs] Night

"I prefer *Night* over *To Kill A Mockingbird*. I found it to be more interesting while *To Kill A Mockingbird* was pretty boring. I don't remember much from it because I wasn't that interested. On the other hand, I really thought *Night* was a good book. I liked all of it, especially the fact that it was from the perspective of an actual person who went through the concentration camps. It showed more emotion that way."

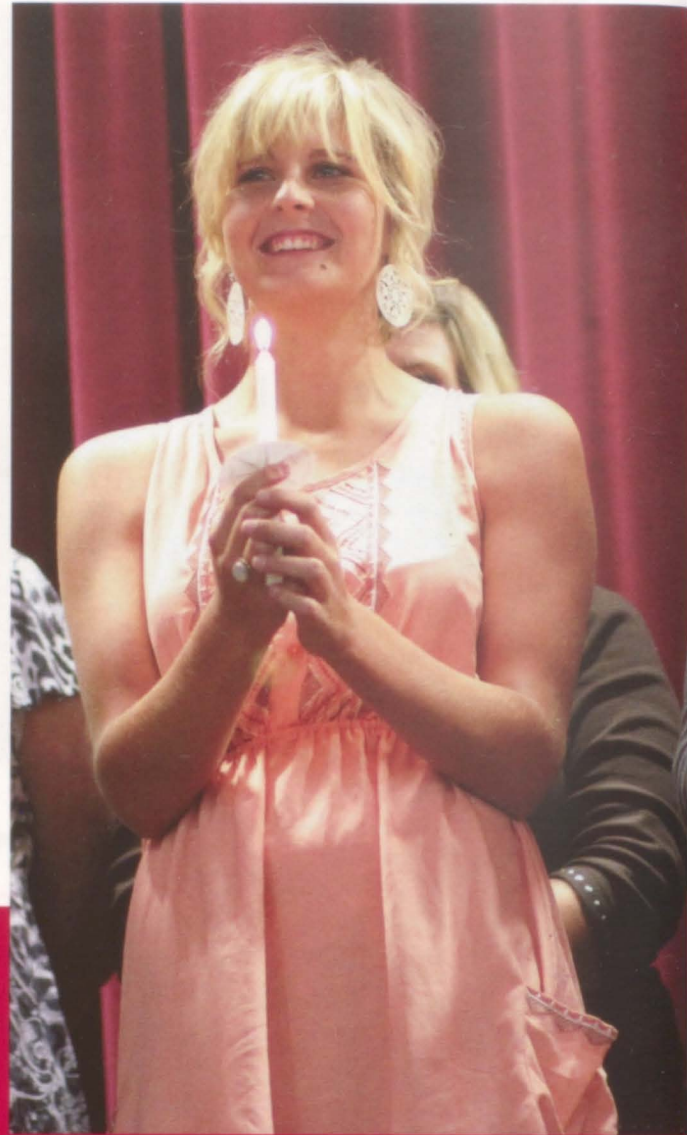
Cassie Stock [10]

# A *burning* desire [to] **Serve**

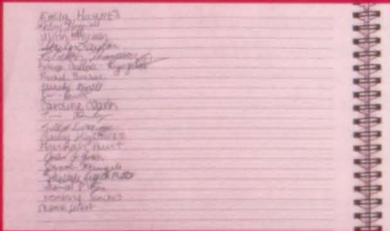
Established in 1929, National Honor Society seeks to instill leadership and character

**[signing in]**

Senior Jessica Parada signs the NHS membership book while her father, Enrique, looks on. Each new inductee chooses a mentor to accompany them during the formal induction ceremony. "I chose my dad because he's always there for me," Parada said. "He's a role model and represents everything I want to be after high school. Parada said she joined NHS because it gave her the chance to connect with others through community service opportunities.



## Legendary Log



When juniors and seniors become official NHS members, they must sign their names in the induction book. According to sponsor Marsha Nelson, this book has been in use since 1994. Using the same membership book each year shows new NHS members that their names will be left as history.

## By the Numbers

**41** active members

**820**

money raised to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

new members inducted on Oct. 3

**20**

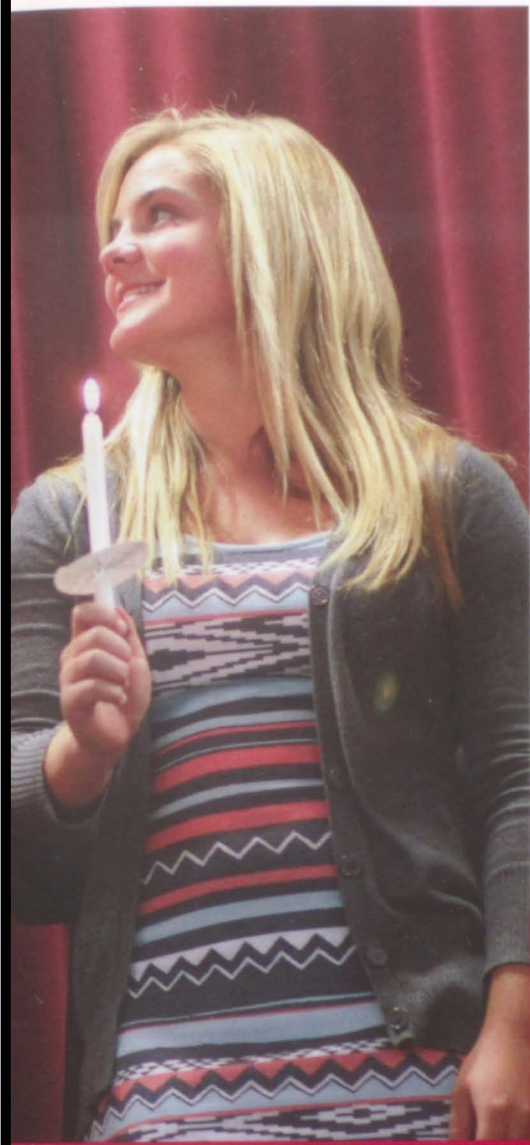
number of service hours that NHS members complete in a school year

**\$150**



**[passing the flame]**

Junior Kelsey Ballou-Lyngstad holds her candle still as senior Rebekah Thompson lights her own. "I was scared to walk up on the platform in my heels because I fell going up the stairs during a band concert last year," Ballou-Lyngstad said.



**[candles burning]**

Juniors Hannah Hunt and Bailey Hightower prepare to recite the NHS pledge. "I'm glad I decided to join because it has broadened my horizons when it comes to serving others," Hunt said.



"I enjoy seeing kids learn how to be active in their community. Everyone needs to learn how to give."

Sponsor Marsha Nelson

## [small group]



"My group contained Shelby Mata, Rachel Barber, and Rebekah Thompson. We helped the music teacher at Bonner Springs Elementary by organizing all of her sheet music alphabetically and then cataloging all of those titles on an spreadsheet. It was great way to learn how time consuming it is for teachers to stay organized."

Daniel Mejia [11]

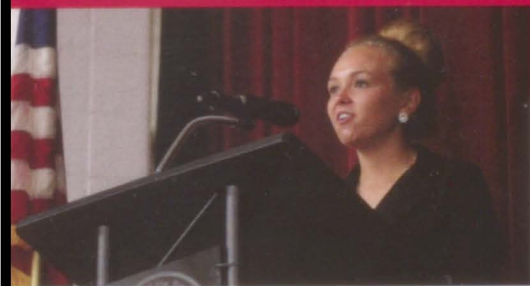


"My group contained Deidra Elijah and Jessica Parada, and we took cookies to the Presbyterian Manor nursing home. When we got there, we personally delivered cookies to all three floors of the residence. Some of the residents don't receive many visitors and it made me happy to know that I was able to make them smile."

Emily Haynes [12]

## Just hangin'

For the first time, NHS members conducted a fundraiser to benefit cystic fibrosis. The activity consisted of two parts. First, a penny war was held between six candidates. Students and teachers put money in the jar of the candidate they wanted to be duct-taped to the gym wall during the Feb. 11 home basketball game. Senior Tessa Newberry won with \$23 in contributions, followed by Spanish teacher Kelly Hoopes with \$11. The second part took place on the night of the game where spectators could buy a strip of duct tape for a dollar. During the 3rd quarter, Newberry was carefully taped to the wall until the end of the game. "It was not at all what I expected, but it was totally worth it to help cystic fibrosis. I hope they continue to do this fundraiser," Newberry said.



**[delivering an opening speech]**

Senior Samantha Ricci-Weller welcomes new members to the introduction ceremony. "Serving as the president was an exceptional experience. I thought the highlight of the year was teaming up with the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation," Ricci-Weller said.

**[leaving with honor]**

Junior Mariah Seifert makes her way out of the auditorium after the induction ceremony. "My favorite community service opportunity was taking pictures at the Bonner Springs Elementary Father-Daughter Snowflake Dance because I got to do two things I love: take pictures and help others," Seifert said.



**[taking part in the fun]**

Junior Shelby Mata applies more duct tape to keep senior Tessa Newberry firmly fixed to the gym wall. "A lot of people thought it was a great idea. I think the enthusiasm we generated this year will only build participation in the future," Mata said.

# LOVING THE *Language*

[Students dive into foreign cultures]



**[preparing a dish]**

Juniors Skyler Lucas, Lilly Eickhoff, and Kelsey Ballou-Lyngstad gather the ingredients needed to make potato soup during a food lab in their French II class.

**[grabbing a plate]**

Junior Ne'Kye Sheppard prepares to sample a Cajun dish during a Mardi Gras party in her French II class while Paige Perrin waits her turn. "I loved Mrs. Nelson, and I'm sad to see her leave," Sheppard said. "She's one of the best teachers I've ever had. She really worked with us and made class fun."



**[learning a recipe]**

Junior Citlally Fernandez gets ready to help a BSE student at the ring toss station during a day-long Cinco de Mayo event sponsored by Susan Swabb's first hour Native Speakers class.



## CELEBRATION *central*

To break the daily routine, students in Marsha Nelson's classes enjoyed a variety of special events to help them further understand the French culture.

"The food labs gave students the opportunity to experience French cuisine and to share new recipes at home," Nelson said. "In addition to the great food, there was also lots of class bonding at these events, and they helped to bring students together in a fun way."



**[masking themselves]**

Freshman Emily Beach, right, and sophomore Rachel Johnson show off their creativity during a Mardi Gras celebration in French I.





## Une Porte A Door

I learned the word "Une Porte" a few years ago. It is a fun word to say and it just rolls off the tongue nicely."

Quinn Richert [12]



## ¡Momentáneamente! Momentarily!

I like the word "momentáneamente" because it's a tongue-twister and it's also a fun word to try and say fast.

Abigail Torres [10]



"Spanish Honor Society is the coolest club in the world. I will never forget being inducted."

Logan Shearer [10]

## What do you think is the "Language of Love?"

Chinese

3.5%

German

5.8%

Old English

9.3%

Spanish

31.4%

French

68.6%

## Au Revoir!

Years at BSHS: Thirty-nine

**What you will do after retiring:** I will move to Greenville, Ill., and plan to spend time with my kids and grandkids. I will also be doing some crafts.

**Favorite French word or phrase:** "C'est la vie," which means "That's life."

**Most memorable moment:** My most memorable moment was the "adventure" I had when I took some kids to Canada three years ago that summer. We had the worst time getting home. We ended up taking a bus from Memphis to Kansas at around 2 a.m. in the morning. However, the kids were great and it was a trip I will never forget.

**The thing you will miss the most:** I will miss the kids and getting to know them and also becoming sort of a mini-family.

**What your students have taught you:** They have taught me to be a little more patient than I was when I started out.

**Place you hope to travel to:** I would like to possibly travel to Florida in early June with my family and also to the states that I haven't visited.

Marsha Nelson

## ¡Adios!

Years at BSHS: Five

**Why Bonner was a good fit:** I love the support of the administration. They helped by allowing Mrs. Hoopes and me to try our new teaching style with financing and seminars. I love the teachers who work here; I have made some excellent friends. I also like the diversity in the student body and how they coexist.

**Proudest moment:** I have many—from the small things kids say, like "I can't wait for your class" to trying new things such as having Spanish I students read a book.

**What your students have taught you:** They have taught me that I make a lot of mistakes, what the "stanky-leg" is, slang terms, patience, and current trends.

**Favorite Spanish word or phrase:** "Vale de pena," which means "It's worth it."

**The thing you will miss the most:** I will miss the relationships I have had with the students and teachers.

**Where you are going:** I'm moving to Stuart, Florida, by the coastline.

**Will you continue SHH?:** I do hope to continue with Spanish Honor Society at some point. I have loved it so much. It has been fun with all of the nerdy Spanish things that we do.

Susan Swabb

## SPANISH [Honor] Society



[grasping the candle]

Junior Amanda Burris waits to recite the SHH oath at the induction ceremony. "I wanted to be culturally literate," Burris said.

[focused on the message]

Sophomore Steven Greer and junior Tyler Hernandez listen closely to the words being said by Mrs. Swabb and Mrs. Hoopes.

Being in Spanish Honor Society is, in fact, an honor. Members must maintain a 3.2 GPA average in their Spanish class and were required to have taken at least three semesters of Spanish.

"I love the language," junior Amanda Burris said. "The way it sounds and the way it rolls off the tongue is beautiful."

This extracurricular activity is filled with more than just games, movies, and food. For example, in January they traveled to the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art and viewed pictures of Pablo Picasso and work by Francisco Goya.



"The play this year was fun and hectic at the same time, but it was all worth it in the end."

Abigail Ward [11]

**[portraying sisters]**

Senior Micaela Reed, left, and junior Hayley Hinton fight with each other in the play's opening scene. "It was super fun being a younger sister because we got to mess around and act like normal siblings," Hinton said.



**[side by side]**

Freshman Mikayla Young and junior Nathan Schaber, portraying the married couple Ginny and Jim, try to relax after a long day of dealing with the movie crew. "I was trying to channel my inner mom throughout the play," Young said.

**[acting sassy]**

Junior Kayla McPherson portrays Jacey Brooks, a journalist struggling to find a scoop that will advance her career. "It was nice to be someone I am not normally," McPherson said.



**[My CHARACTER]**

"I had about 100 lines to learn for *Two Heads Are Better Than One*, and I practiced with my older sister when she came home from college on weekends.

We would spend about three hours on Saturday afternoons just going over the lines I needed help with, and she would give me advice and tips to help me with my character. I had the best time with all the cast members, and the play was something I looked forward to after school. I played the role of Beth Jeffers, the film crew's assistant director, and my character was a little uptight (as shown right in a scene with senior T.J. Kimbrough-French, who played the film's director). I enjoyed playing someone who was really picky about everything. For the love-interest acting, I played it off of the middle school drama I know too well."

Sumer Sprengle [09]



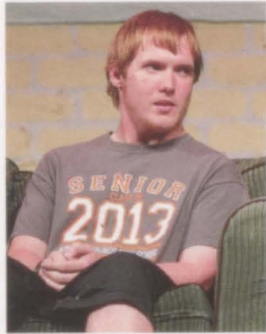
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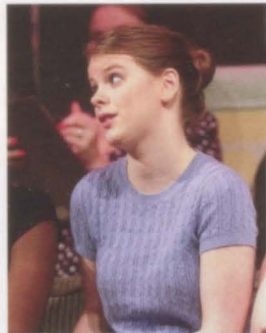
**Victoria Hoover [9]**  
"My favorite part about the play was the family-type environment created by the cast and the actual performances. I had about 50 lines to learn and my favorite scene was when LiNelle Wilson (the mayor) attacked me. It was memorable."



**Savannah Lochert [12]**  
I enjoyed the role of movie star Serena Swan because she's something that I'm not. I got to dress up really nice, and I enjoyed pretending to be outspoken, on-the-edge, and arrogant. It was easy for me to put my mind into this character.



**Kyle Sears [12]**  
"Since it was my first play performance, I was very nervous and excited. It ended up being a lot of fun, and I didn't actually have to put in as much work as I expected. I just went in to every rehearsal and did what I knew I could do."



**Charity Burnworth [9]**  
"I found the play to be a lot of fun. I had easy lines that I learned quickly, but I was still nervous around show time. It was a really good experience, though, and if I weren't moving, I'd perform again next year."



**Hannah Scheck [9]**  
"Since my only other performing experience was in choir, I found it interesting to be seen as an individual playing a part, rather than a single voice in the group."

# [the] show MUST GO on

// micaela reed

[Despite obstacles, play cast rises to challenge]

Director Dan Streit usually begins racking his brain for ideas about the spring play in the winter because of the many hours it takes to find the perfect script.

"When I read *Two Heads Are Better Than One*, I thought it was kind of funny so I picked it," Streit said.

This year's play was a comedy with a total of 20 actors. It was about a movie crew coming to a small town to make a film that might bring in some much-needed revenue. However, the town's mayor Norene Burkslatter (LiNelle Wilson) was highly opposed to the film being made there.

When struggles between the mayor and director Max Mercedes (T.J. Kimbrough-French) couldn't seem to get any worse, the Save Our Bridges Society (SOBS) comes to town to stop the production.

The SOBS are a group of older women who want to form a blockade on one of the town's bridges, so the

movie crew is unable to film there.

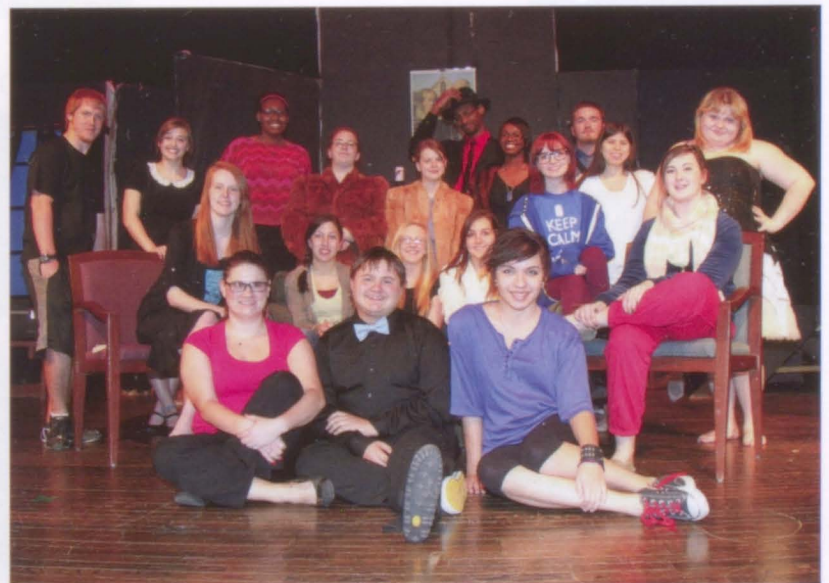
Though the plot was intriguing and comical, the action behind-the-scenes was hectic. Due to a lack of participants at tryouts, the cast had to call in reinforcements in order to fill two key spots before practices began on stage. And just days before opening night, Streit had to find two more actors who could quickly learn many lines of dialogue when two lead characters were unable to perform.

Amber Schaber, a BSHS alumni, came back to help fill in for the character Trish, the movie's dialogue technician, and Streit played the role of actor-in-love Les Powell.

"I felt totally stressed because I had to memorize 72 lines in two days," Streit explained.

Even though the play was stressful and exhausting for the cast, they were pleased with the final product.

"The actors preformed their best and didn't let some of the obstacles ruin the production," Streit said.



Front Row: Amber Schaber, Nathan Schaber, Mikayla Young. Row 2: Eleanor Lynch, Kayla McPherson, Abigail Ward, Micaela Reed, Hayley Hinton, Victoria Hoover. Row 3: Kyle Sears, Sumer Sprenkle, LiNelle Wilson, Hannah Scheck, Charity Burnworth, T.J. Kimbrough-French, Lanysha Mays, Dakota Nason, Lauren Marquez, Savannah Lochert.

# [Band & Dance Team]

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**Front Row:** Director Bill Turley, John Burnworth, Ramon Arzabala, Aaron Lewis, Joshua Bonwell, Jonita Francis, Rachel Johnson, Justin Carroll, Shelby Smith, Tyler Eickhoff, Lucy Florez, D.J. Simpson, Joe Arnett, T.J. Kimbrough-French, assistant director Kerry Wixon. **Row 2:** Madison Hurla, Nicole Norris, Jessica Christenson, Alazia Stanley, Sierra Seacat, Kelsey Ballou-Lyngstad, Dakota Cunningham, Jack Klingele, Hannah Martin, Haylee Richmond, Lillian Lackner, Kelsey Wheeler, Brittany Spencer, Justice Nicholson, Samantha Joyce, Meranda Hull. **Row 3:** Kortni Sanborn, Hailey Kendrick, Sam Johnson, Peter Klingele, J.T. Johnson, Joe Casteel, Griffin Mareske, Emily Barger, Trenell Nowden, Tyler Dill, Kasey Ryser, Grace Bennett, Brianna Robinette, Lauren Culter, Alexis Tendick. **Row 4:** Brittney Huffman, Maddy Kempf, Jacob Mellott, Peter Jenkins, Tre Scott, Renae Maxey, Keith Lambie, Tyler Campbell, Courtney Wheeler, Payton Sechrist, Emily Nelson, Lucas Bolejack, Devon Haywood, Alexandria Washburn. **Row 5:** Colin Sechrist, Daniel Mejia, Kayla McPherson, Paul Dykes, Dakota Nason, Tyler Jenkins, Silas Bechard, Aaron Ashford, Riley Ballou-Lyngstad, Mackenzie Jones.

## By the Numbers

50

number of reeds used in a year by the woodwind section

17

members in the band's largest section, the trumpets

25

number of different instruments played by the percussion section

2 min  
time it takes to tune the band

67

total number of students in the band program

5

years Bill Turley has been in the band

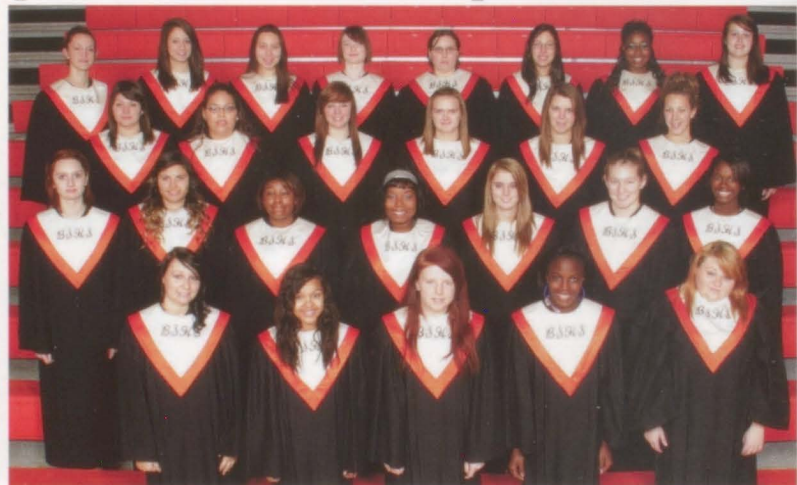
// tre scott

## [Chorale]



**Front Row:** Deana Sumner, Savannah Lochert, Heidi Rodgers, Elyah Hinson. **Row 2:** Dalazha Stokes, Gabriela Arzabala Torres, Cheyanne Miller, Cassidi Nobles, Morgan LaFon, Jonothan Brantley. **Row 3:** Alexander Shearer, Ciara Dornbrack, Jacqueline Diaz, Shawn Stirling.

## [Women's Ensemble]



**Front Row:** Krista Owens, Mackenzie Jones, Haley Close, Aarionna Holliday, Savannah Lochert. **Row 2:** Hayley Hinton, Tatiana Torres, Ciara Turner, Leah Walker, Stephanie Arnold, Stephanie Gear, Lanysha Mays. **Row 3:** Emily Haynes, Gabriela Arzabala Torres, Almalee Crane, Sarah Catron, Emily Prince, Cassie Stock. **Row 4:** Stephanie Rose, Caitlyn Khatchadourian, Madison Stumbough, Jennifer Maness, Denni Pressley, Kayla McPherson, Shaylice Flynn, Courtney Roush.

## [Concert Choir]



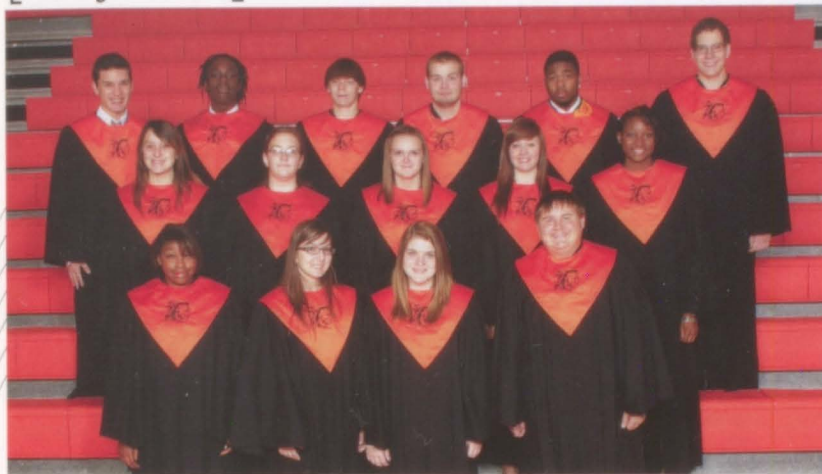
**Front Row:** Emily Barger, Carlie Peugh, Chelsea Fletcher, Tyita Mathias, Amy Ash. **Row 2:** Lucy Florez, Sawndra Hubbell, Brittney Clark, Jammie Parkhill, Taryn Remigio, Tamara Roberts. **Row 3:** Darius Sheppard, Madison Hanson, Cassandra Rye, Kendall Ellis, Rabecca Vela, Kellsee Marlowe, Lacey-Jo Jones. **Row 4:** Shelby Sneed, Kelley Walker, Kayla Gott, Devon Jackson, Hannah Scheck, Kali Chatmon, Jacob Sopher. **Row 5:** Ariel Huffman, Devyn Robben, Nicholas Nickell, Cameron Smith-Poe, Jacob Pressley, Tyler Rhodes, Steffan Mefferd, Austin Sams.



"I'm in band and choir but I like band more. It's not like a regular class, so you get to do cool things during school and outside of school."

Emily Barger [9]

## [Project X]



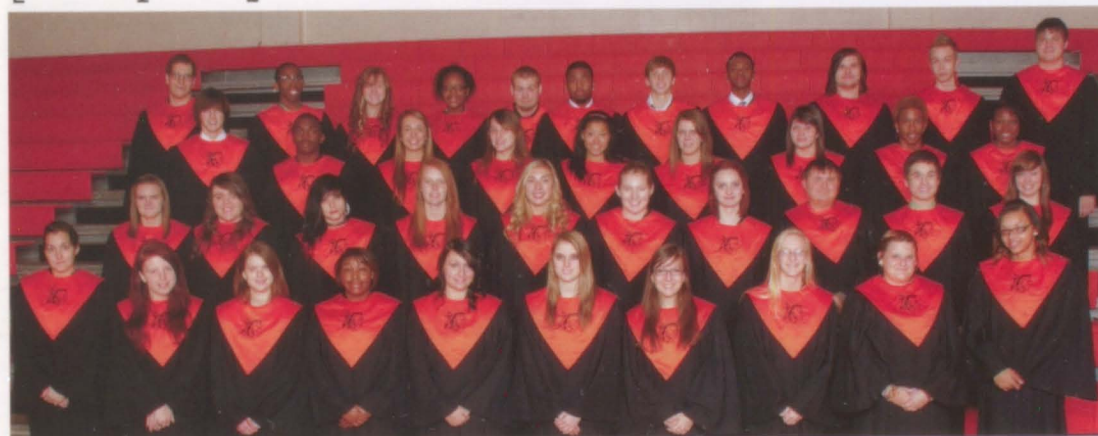
**Front Row:** Ciara Turner, Rebekah Thompson, Chelsea Fletcher, Nathan Schaber. **Row 2:** Amber Lies, Hannah Scheck, Sarah Catron, Almalee Crane, Deidra Elijah. **Row 3:** Tyler Dill, Darius Sheppard, Devyn Robben, Darien Stogner, Kevin London, Elliott Nickell.



"My favorite part about band is the freedom we get and all of the trips we take to get out of class. I really like playing my flute."

Rachel Johnson [10]

## [A Capella]



**Front Row:** Micaela Reed, Haley Close, Charity Burnworth, Ciara Turner, Krista Owens, Stephanie Arnold, Rebekah Thompson, Abigail Ward, Cassidi Nobles, Ciera Sweeney. **Row 2:** Sarah Catron, Kristina Schwab, Elizabeth Luth, Eleanor Lynch, Skyler Taylor, Stephanie Gear, Hayley Hinton, Nathan Schaber, Alex Martinez, Almalee Crane. **Row 3:** Christian Nobles, Deion McQuarters, Haley Hoffine, Amber Lies, Carina Willeford, Emily Prince, Emily Haynes, Leonard Jones, Deidra Elijah. **Row 4:** Elliott Nickell, Dennis McDaniel, Anna Deegan, Shelia Johnson, Darien Stogner, Kevin London, Jason Van Maren, Brandon Moore, Nathan Allenbrand, David Arnold, Alexander Shearer. **Row 5:** Jacob Sopher, Ariel Huffman, Devyn Robben, Nicholas Nickell, Cameron Smith-Poe, Jacob Pressley, Tyler Rhodes, Steffan Mefferd, Austin Sams.



"The drumline is the heart and soul of the band. We keep the band together and we love it."

D.J. Simpson [11]



"I like Project X because all the members are dedicated. They wake up early to come sing, so they don't just mess around."

Elliott Nickell [12]

## [Green Team]



**Front Row:** Itzel Soto, Erica Rosales, Larom Correa, Ana Augusta, Stephanie Wood, Destini Colvin. **Row 2:** Kolbe Seaton, Alvaro Romo, Brian Gray, Alli Regeste, Jason Woodrond, Loren Bergstrom, Jonathan Nay, Quinn Richert. **Row 3:** Jason Romanishin, Nathan Allenbrand, Steffan Mefferd, Hannah Hunt, Caleb Patrick, Lizbeth Acosta, Citlally Fernandez, Jordan Lackner, Collin Sechrist.

## [National English Honor Society]



**Front Row:** Hannah Oberg, Jordan Lackner, Sierra Seacat, Courtney Wheeler, Bailey Hightower, Elizabeth Barger. **Row 2:** Jeff Fouquet, Chad Uhl, Peter Swanson, Shelby Smith, Micaela Reed, Kyle Sears, Sydney Shepherd.

## [FCCLA]



**Front Row:** Marissa Akins, Haley Wright, Alexis Sechrist, Caitlin Fine. **Row 2:** Payton Sechrist, Alexandria Burnett, Tyita Mathias, Morgan Wilhite. **Row 3:** Nathan Campbell, Dawn Sommers, Luis Gardea, Julia Lamendola, Michaela Jackson.

## [Ecology Task Force]



**Front Row:** Rayna Weibrecht, Allison Augustine, Mikayla Young, Alvaro Romo, Logan Shearer. **Row 2:** Sarabeth Morgan, Silas Bechard, Caleb Patrick, Loren Bergstrom, Skyler Roach, Jason Romanishin.

## [Kayettes]



**Front Row:** Krista Owens, Jenna Hammond, Taylor Coleman, Alyssa Driskill, Bailey Hightower, Annie Carpenter, Ana Correa, Savannah Lochert. **Row 2:** Lanysha Mays, Faith Seaton, Cheyanne Miller, Alexis Tendick, Samantha Ricci-Weller, Hailey Kendrick, Kelli Mauk, Kristina Schwab. **Row 3:** Madison Stumbough, Bailey Sears, Maranda Ballou, Kelsey Ballou-Lyngstad, Ksee Sanchez, Elizabeth Briggs, Morgan Nichols. **Row 4:** Linda Orangkhadivi, Brenna McQuitty, Ciera Sweeney, Caroline Clark, Amber Lies, Katelyn Cochran, Kayla Fratzel, Lizbeth Acosta, Hannah Hunt.

## [Spanish Honor Society]



**Front Row:** Jene Williams, Tyler Jenkins, Itzel Soto, Jessica Moulin, Bailey Hightower, Lauren Culter, Courtney Wheeler, Kemberly Sanchez. **Row 2:** Kelly Hoopes, Micaela Reed, Kayla Greer, Loren Bergstrom, Maranda Ballou, Mariah Seifert, Tessa Newberry, Kayla Fratzel, Katelyn Cochran. **Row 3:** Susan Swabb, Austin Schuler, Alexandra Carter, Elizabeth Barger, Eleanor Lynch, Cheyanne Luth, Denni Pressley, Hannah Hunt, Aaron Lewis. **Row 4:** Demetri Hart, Coleman Isaacs, Samuel Nelson, Jordan Lackner, Charles Stites, Jacob Laing, Jason Van Maren, Brandon Moore, Sydney Shepherd, Chad Uhl.

## [NHS]



**Front Row:** Taylor Coleman, Lauren Culter, Andrea Newgworth, Jene Williams, Maranda Ballou, Cassidy Holloway. **Row 2:** Micaela Reed, Tessa Newberry, Kayla Fratzel, Samantha Ricci-Weller, Loren Bergstrom, Deidra Elijah. **Row 3:** Sydney Shepherd, Tanner Clark, Rachael Jensen, Brenna McQuitty, Logan Terrell, Anna Deegan, Chad Uhl.

## [NHS November Inductees]



**Front Row:** Bailey Colander, Jessica Parada, Skyer Kemberly Sanchez, Rebekah Thompson, Shelby Mata. **Row 2:** Caroline Clark, Rachel Barber, Kemberly Sanchez, Kennedy Bizzell, Kelsey Ballou-Lyngstad, Mariah Seifert, Lilly Eickhoff, Hannah Hunt. **Row 3:** Jordan Jackson, Justin Carroll, Jack Klingele, Daniel Mejia, Travis Dooley.

## [Friendship Group]



**Front Row:** Madelynn Mefferd, Linda Thao, Erin Walters, Emily Nelson, Jacob Sopher, Madison Stumbough, McKenna Spiess, Dylan Clark, Nicole Hill, Caeleb Otting, Itzel Soto, Mariah Seifert, Gwenth Barrett. **Row 2:** Tristan Russell, Travis Dooley, Jason Van Maren, Loren Bergstrom, Lexi Sechrist, Alazia Stanley, Kassandra McKelvin, Keith Shields, Tyler Jenkins, Katelin Lake, Maranda Ballou, Taryn Remigio. **Row 3:** Jordan Jackson, Sam Nelson, Cody Crider, Bobby Crowley, Christopher Hayes, Bryanna Hammer, Lucy Florez, Kayla Fratzel, Nicholas Nickell, Skyer Taylor. **Row 4:** Conner Byers, Steven Shonkwiler, Anna Deegan, Darius Sheppard, Mikayla Ussery, Megan McCullough, Brenna McQuitty, Jonathan Blackwell, Weston Vitt, Julianne Jackson, Hannah Hunt, Cassidy Holloway, Denise Chowning.

## [Peer Helpers]



**Front Row:** Kemberly Sanchez, Andrea Wiglesworth, Taylor Coleman, Lisa Terrell, Jennifer Hicks, Shelby Taylor, Caroline Clark. **Row 2:** Hannah Hunt, Haley Hoffine, Madison Epp, Cassidy Holloway, Skyer Taylor, Citlally Fernandez, Logan Terrell, Samantha Ricci-Weller. **Row 3:** Madison Stumbough, Kennedy Bizzell, Aaron Lewis, Brenna McQuitty, Tessa Newberry, Jonathan Blackwell, Anna Deegan, Jason Van Maren, Spencer Frank.

## [Student Council]



**Front Row:** Brittney Clark, Madison Stumbough, McKindrea Hudson, Shelby Mata, Emily Barger, Taylor Coleman, Lilly Eickhoff, Hannah Fehlhafer, Stephanie Gear. **Row 2:** Emily Nelson, Katie Carpenter, Zoe Lofton, Shelby Taylor, Kemberly Sanchez, Hailey Kendrick, Emily Beach, Samantha Ricci-Weller, Skyer Taylor. **Row 3:** Alexis Tendick, Sumer Sprengle, Elizabeth Barger, Robyn Lewis, Cassidy Holloway, Tessa Newberry, Caroline Clark, Cassie Stock, Julianne Jackson. **Row 4:** Lucy Florez, Chad Uhl, Kennedy Bizzell, Brenna McQuitty, Alexandra Carter, Tyler Dill, Hannah Hunt, Jason Van Maren, Jordan Jackson, Darius Sheppard.

## [Academic Decathlon]



**Front Row:** Sarabeth Morgan, Rebekah Thompson, Kelsey Wheeler, Courtney Wheeler, Sierra Seacat. **Row 2:** Tre Scott, Tyler Dill, Brittany Spencer, Aaron Lewis, Dakota Nason, Chad Uhl.

## [Anime Club]



**Front Row:** Akiko Capalla, Ciara Turner, Brenna Williams. **Row 2:** Ashley Adams, Hannah Scheck, Courtney Barger, Brian Gray, Haley Close. **Row 3:** Jason Romanishin, Layne Warner, Darien Stogner, Devon Wacker, Ryan Steinbacher, Steven Steinbacher.

## [Forensics]



**Front Row:** Mikayla Young, Hailey Kendrick, Micaela Reed, Courtney Wheeler, Stephanie Rose. **Row 2:** Victoria Hoover, Joshua Bonwell, T.J. Kimbrough-French, LiNelle Wilson, Linda Orangkhadivi.

## [Mock Trial]



**Front Row:** Kelsey Wheeler, Abby Torres, Bailey Presler, Morgan Nichols, Jennifer Stricherz. **Row 2:** Sam Johnson, Tyler Dill, J.T. Johnson, LiNelle Wilson.

## [Scholar's Bowl]



**Front Row:** Tylar Jenkins, Hannah Scheck, Charity Burnworth, Rebekah Thompson, Courtney Wheeler, Lillian Lackner, Natalie Sexton, Kynneddy Shepherd. **Row 2:** Jessica Christensen, Lucas Bolejack, Kayla McPherson, Sierra Seacat, Courtney Barger, Kelsey Wheeler, Jennifer Maness, Jordan Lackner, Hayley Hinton. **Row 3:** Alexander Shearer, Jacob Dobbs, Chad Uhl, Sydney Shepherd, Tyler Dill, Aaron Lewis, Tre Scott, Demetri Hart, Daniel Mejia, Odin Hart.

## [Science Olympiad]



**Front Row:** Nickerra Seacat, Courtney Wheeler, Kelsey Wheeler, Brittany Spencer. **Row 2:** Nicholas Nickell, Jordan Lackner, Rebekah Thompson, Brian Gray, Demetri Hart. **Row 3:** Chris Klager, Chad Uhl, Aaron Lewis, Tyler Dill, Dennis McDaniel.

## [Mayor's Youth Council]



**Front Row:** Tom Stephens, Kennedy Bacon, Elizabeth Barger, Mayor Clausie Smith. **Row 2:** Jordan Jackson, Haley Hoffine, Jason Van Maren, Jacob Dobbs.

## [Fellowship of Christian Athletes]



**Front Row:** Madison Stumbough, Leah Walker, Rebekah Thompson, Tyler Jenkins. **Row 2:** Ryne Huff, Hayden Hoffine, Morgan Nichols, Rachel Barber, Tessa Newberry, T.J. Kimbrough-French.

## [Tee Pee Talk Broadcasting]



**Front Row:** Anna Deegan, Skyler Taylor, Cassady Holloway, Haley Hoffine. **Row 2:** T.J. Kimbrough-French, Cheyenne Luth, Kyle Sears, Nathan Schaber. **Row 3:** Dan Streit, Jordan Jackson, Dalen Reed, Weston Vitt, Cesar Diaz.

## [Pow Wow Newspaper]



**Front Row:** Shelby Mata, Courtney Wheeler, Bailey Hightower, Winter Luttrell. **Row 2:** Tessa Newberry, Sierra Seacat, Eleanor Lynch, Caroline Clark, Samantha Ricci-Weller, Jill Holder. **Row 3:** Peter Swanson, Jacob Korosec, Travis Dooley, Daniel Mejia, Luciano Fasani, Sydney Shepherd, Miranda McCullough.



"I like video journalism more because I can do more with video. I can use motion graphics to hold people's attention better which keeps them entertained more. It's also a more contemporary media format."

Kyle Sears [12]



"I think that both video and video journalism are good but I like video news because Tee Pee talk comes out every week. Newspaper only comes out once a month, so we can cover a lot more stuff."

Cesar Diaz [12]

### Broadcast

### VS

### Print



"Print news is superior to broadcast news because it takes more work. Yeah, recording and editing is hard, but when writing you have to pick words and phrases in a way that will make the reader visualize what is being said and where. With broadcast news, the visual is already there. The hard work is done for you."

Miranda McCullough [12]



"I prefer print news over broadcast because I feel that it forces the audience to more deeply contemplate the information, and by doing so, it is easier for them to relate to the subject. I also feel that print journalists are expected to remain completely unbiased and present the cold hard facts while broadcast journalism tends to lean towards oversensationalizing."

Courtney Wheeler [12]

## Troy Hull

**Q: What was your project?**

**A:** I volunteered as a firefighter for the Bonner Springs Fire Department.

**Q: How many hours did you complete?**

**A:** I logged 72, but I actually did more than 100.

**Q: What inspired you to do this project?**

**A:** I like to help people, and I wanted to integrate that into firefighting. It was my childhood dream to be a police officer, but I decided that I could help people more as a firefighter.

**Q: What was the best part of your project?**

**A:** It's hard to say. Gaining the knowledge and skills was obviously important. The fire department is like family, so I really enjoyed being a part of that. I'm at the fire station more than I'm at home.

**Q: What was the biggest surprise?**

**A:** How massive and heavy our aerial truck is. It weighs 86,000 pounds.

**Q: What impact did this project have on you?**

**A:** I don't like talking to people, so I learned a lot about talking to different groups of people. Firefighters have a duty to teach public safety, so I had to become confident in doing that.



# Senior Projects

## BY THE NUMBERS

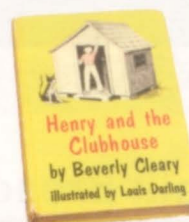
**\$468**

amount of money **Megan McCullough** raised for the family members of those with congenital heart defects to provide necessities during lengthy hospital stays.

"The best thing about raising the money was knowing it was going to a good place. I saw some of the babies the money was going to help, and I knew from there that what I was doing was going to be a good thing. I set a few collection jars around Bonner to collect donations and I also sold cupcakes in the Brave Cave."

**97**

number of books **Sydney Shepherd** collected for Bonner Springs Public Library



"I worked mainly with the activities department. I scooped ice cream, and painted with the residents."

**109**

total number of hours **Jordan Lackner** logged during her project of the Dementia House.

"I feel that my book drive was pretty successful. Normally senior projects get very little foot traffic, so the fact that I could help the Bonner Springs Public Library with as many as 97 really affirmed my project's purpose."

## Coleman Isaacs

**Q: What was your project?**

**A:** Shadowing a cosmetologist.

**Q: What was the best part?**

**A:** It was easy because I got to make my own schedule and having an interest in the field made it fun.

**Q: What was the biggest disappointment?**

**A:** Not being able to put hours in at the salon because my mentor was not there.

**Q: What did you learn?**

**A:** I learned that cosmetology is not what I want to do any more. It made me realize I don't have the passion for it.

**Q: What impact did your project have on you?**

**A:** Since I discovered that cosmetology wasn't my thing, it caused me to consider other options. I have always been interested in nursing and taking anatomy this year helped me discover I could do it.



## Cassie McClain

**Q: What was your project?**

**A:** I shadowed at Munchers Bakery in Lawrence. How many hours did you complete?

**A:** 44

**Q: What inspired you to do this project?**

**A:** I've known the people who own it for quite awhile, and they knew I wanted to open a bakery some day, so they offered to let me work there to see what it's really like.

**Q: What was the best part?**

**A:** I learned to make cream cheese doughnuts, and I found the process very interesting. It's always nice to learn new things.

**Q: What impact did your project have on you?**

**A:** I had to learn how to interact with customers, so it forced me out of my bubble, my shyness.

**Q: What frustrations did you experience?**

**A:** It was tough sometimes to schedule my hours.

**Q: What did you learn from your project?**

**A:** It helped me to see how much hard work it's going to take to open my own bakery.

**Q: What were your expenses?**

**A:** I only had to spend money on gas.



34

hours that **Lauren Culter** spent shadowing at her dance studio, Miss Maria's Acrobat and Dance Studio.

"I shadowed a teacher at my dance studio. Some days I watched while she taught, but once in a while I got to take over and lead the class. It was a lot of fun. I'm minoring in dance when I go to college. I definitely want to try and become a dance teacher when I'm older."

465

number of cans collected by **Elliott Nickell** during his work with Relay for Life. Nickell also helped run the games during the 2012 Relay for Life.



"I joined the Marines through the delayed entry program for my project. I enjoyed whole experience."

Anthony Steinbacher

## Project Awards

### Gold

Jared Clements  
Lauren Culter  
Madison Epp  
Cassady Holloway  
Rachael Jensen  
Jordan Lackner  
Megan McCullough  
Tessa Newberry  
Samantha Ricci-Weller

### Hall of Fame

Jared Clements  
Jordan Lackner

### Silver

Loren Bergstrom  
Anna Deegan  
Aaron Lewis  
Danielle Matthews  
Brenna McQuitty  
Hannah Novogradic  
Jessica Parada  
Stephanie Rose  
Elizabeth Ruth  
Rebekah Thompson  
Chad Uhl  
Courtney Wheeler

22

number of kids who attended **Aaron Lewis'** free youth tennis camp.

"I saw how expensive tennis lessons were, and I wanted to help spread tennis to the community by offering a free camp. I knew it would be hard for parents to get their kids there during the week, so I held it on Saturday morning. A lot of parents were really grateful."

"I chose my project because my sister had albinism. I learned that even the smallest bit of help can have a huge impact on the lives of many."

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number of sun protection items **Rebekah Thompson** collected for persons suffering from albinism in Tanzania.



# Project Late Night



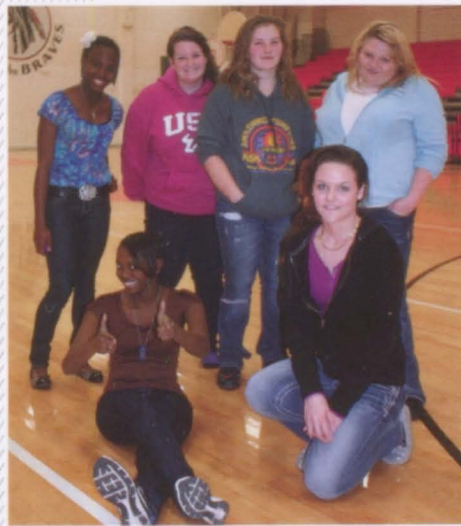
## labor [of] love

"I built a display case for the Bonner Springs City Library in honor of Muriel Jared, a long-time BSHS math teacher. The idea came from my mentor, industrial technology teacher Dan Burns. The library paid for all of the materials through a gift given by the Jared family. They gave me some requirements, but I just took it from there."

The case is eight feet and four inches tall and at one point the weight and length of it caused the metal to bend in the center, so I added some support beams to build strength. I made the metal train for the top of case to match the railroad motif in the children's library and used the school's CNC machine to cut the pieces.

I finished the case in a little over 29 hours. It now stands in the library as a reminder of Mrs. Jared's contributions to teaching, and I am proud to have done something that I can look back with pride."

Falcon Murrillo



### [prizes and more]

Senior **Tatiana Torres**, above, gets ready to lead the group in the next game while fellow senior Savannah Lochert looks on. Participants included, clockwise from top left photo: Aarionna Holliday, Kassandra McKelvin, Megan Laughlin, Savannah Lochert, Kaylee Plowman and Lanysha Mays.

"I sponsored a lock-in at the high school to encourage girls to get active without actually going to the gym. The idea came from a friend of mine at church. It cost \$15 a person to get in along with a signed permission slip. A total of six girls attended, not including my two sponsors, math teachers Andrea Eick and Nicole McDowell. We had a scavenger hunt and played games like Quidditch but unfortunately the fun ended early due to a snowstorm."

The whole point of my senior project was to stop childhood obesity and to encourage positive self-esteem in girls through simple fitness activities. This project built so much character in all, and it opened my eyes in a way that's too hard to explain. It taught me how to be organized and to better manage my time. In all it cost around \$250, but it was well worth it."

Tatiana Torres

# DIAMOND

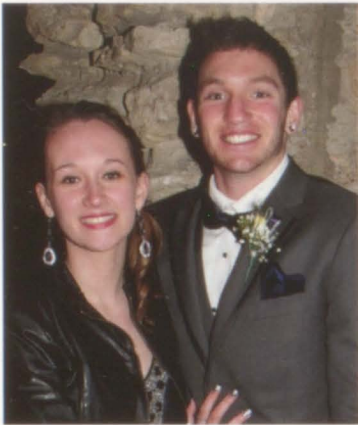


# [studded] AFFAIR

Prom 2013



Senior Ciara Turner, senior Rebekah Thompson, junior Danielle Cornwell, junior Carina Willeford, senior Geena Harris



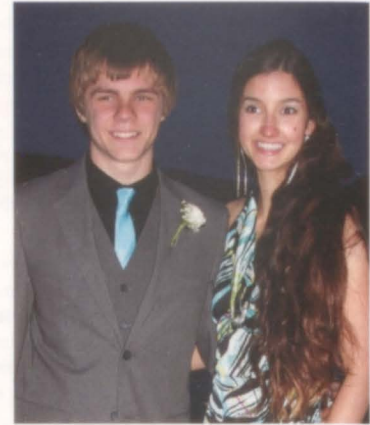
Junior Elizabeth Barger and date Kyle Chadwick



Seniors Haley Close and Keith Lambie



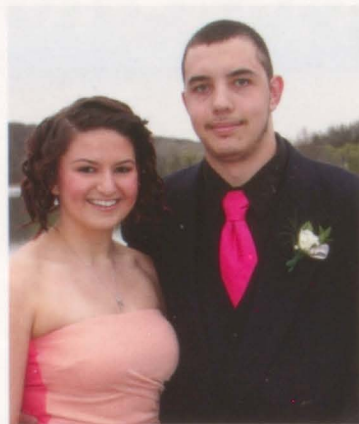
Senior Loren Bergstrom and date Jacob Eblen



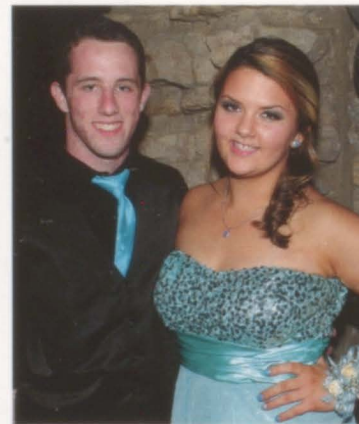
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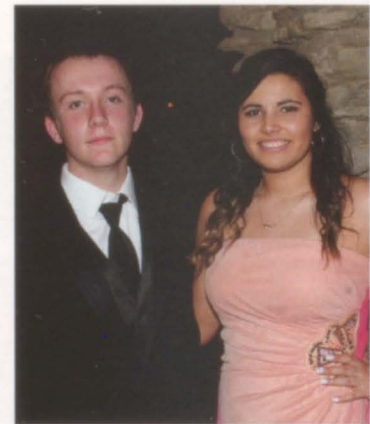
Junior Destini Colvin and senior A.J. McKinney



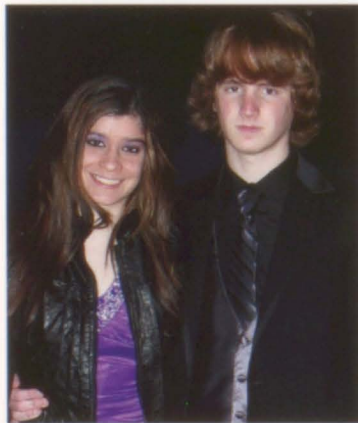
Sophomore Jenna Hammond and senior Auston Twombly



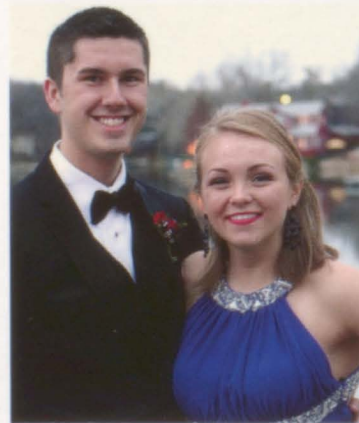
Senior Britney Huffman and date Matthew Case



Seniors Chris Griffiths and Tatiana Torres



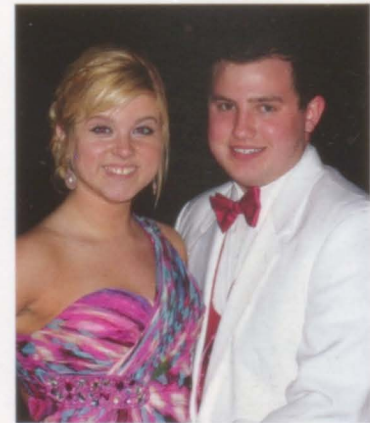
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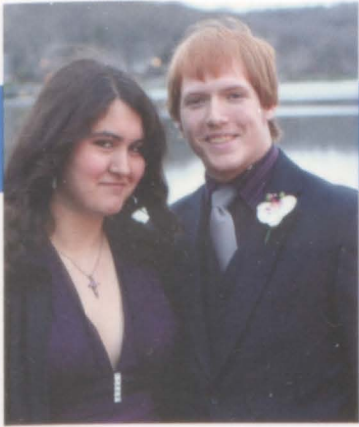
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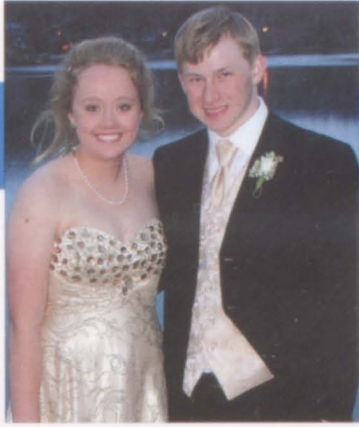
Seniors Miranda McCullough and Peter Swanson



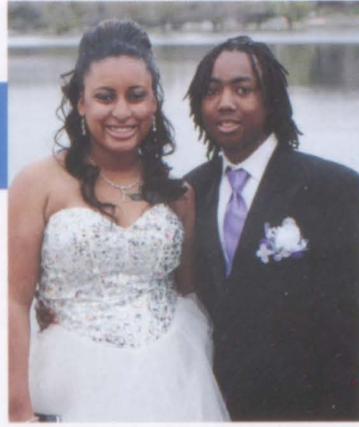
Junior Brianna Robinette and senior Jordan Brown



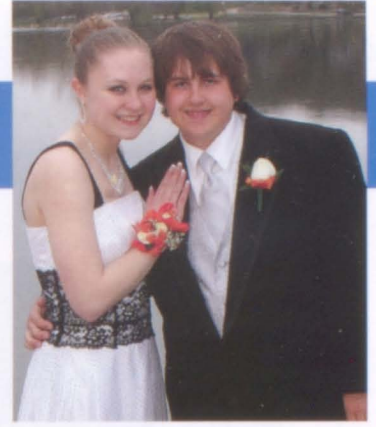
Sophomore Cheyenne Cook and senior Kyle Sears



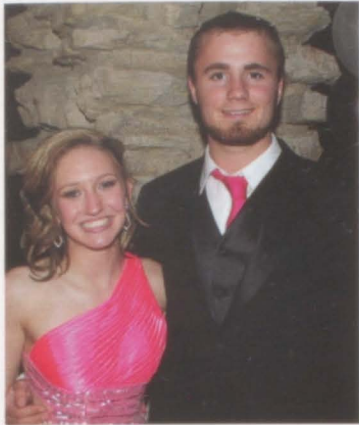
Senior Tessa Newberry and sophomore Jacob Kraus



Senior Tanise England and date Lorenzo Brown



Senior Tyler Jenkins and date Elizabeth Gregory



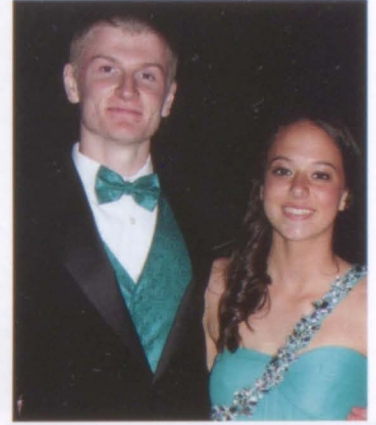
Senior Addy Tolliver and junior Tyler Eickhoff



Senior Chad Uhl and date Cinthia Ebertz



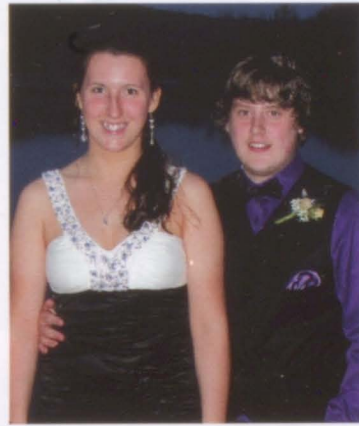
Seniors Nyssa Kemper and Joe Lentz



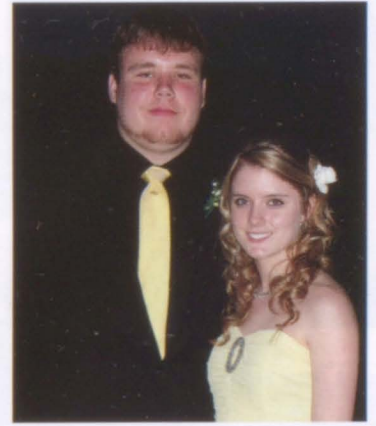
Junior Robert Glenn and sophomore Allie Ledbetter



Junior Ne'Kye Sheppard and seniors Jessica Parada, Tiffany Gray, and Jene Williams



Juniors Katelyn Cochran and Devon Haywood



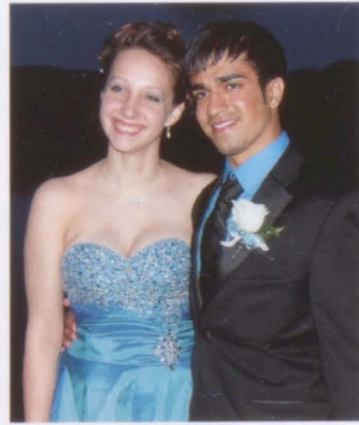
Seniors Stephanie Arnold and Joe Arnett



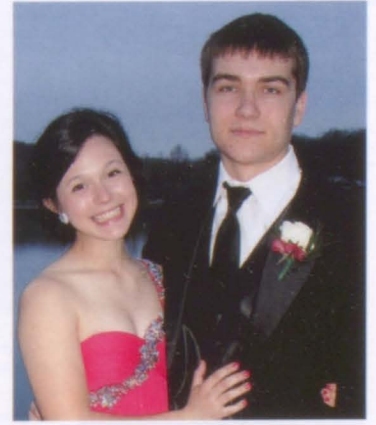
Juniors Mariah Seifert and Darrell Simpson



Senior Elizabeth Ruth and date David Christensen



Sophomore Morgan Lawrence and senior Kalim Raza Khan



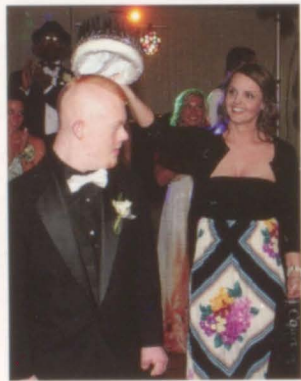
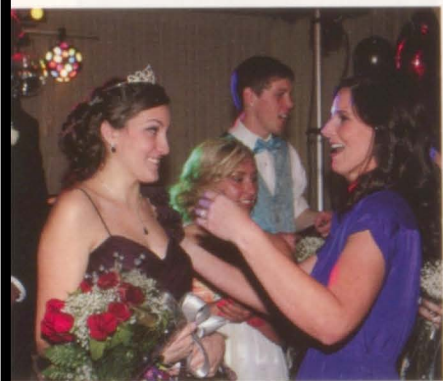
Senior Andrea Wiglesworth and junior Grant Lewis



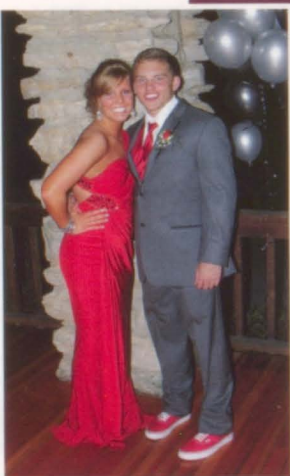
# A [DIAMOND] Studded Affair

**[crowning]**

Seniors Jacob Sopher and Micaela Reed were crowned Prom king and queen. "I never would have thought it would be me," Reed said. "I felt so honored. It was amazing to be a part of this event."



## Prom [Profiles]



Sydney Turner and Jon Blackwell

**Q: Dating or just friends?**

**A:** Jon and I have known each other most of our lives and have been really good friends.

**Q: Dinner?**

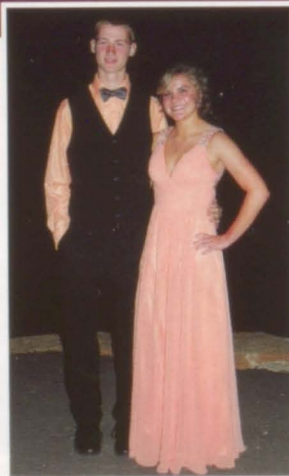
**A:** We went to BRAVO at Zona Rosa with our group.

**Q: Transportation?**

**A:** We rode a huge black party bus.

**Q: Post-Prom?**

**A:** We hung out with some of the people in our group.



Travis Dooley and Bailey Hightower

**Q: Dating or just friends?**

**A:** Travis and I are dating.

**Q: Dinner?**

**A:** We went to Cinzettis for dinner, and I ate just about everything.

**Q: Transportation?**

**A:** Travis drove most of us in his Suburban.

**Q: Post-Prom?**

**A:** We spent the majority of our pre-curfew time trying to find Logan Terrell's grandmother's home, so we could join their bonfire.



Shelby Mata and Raphael Pena

**Q: Dating or just friends?**

**A:** I went with Raphael as friends, but a couple of days later we started dating.

**Q: Dinner?**

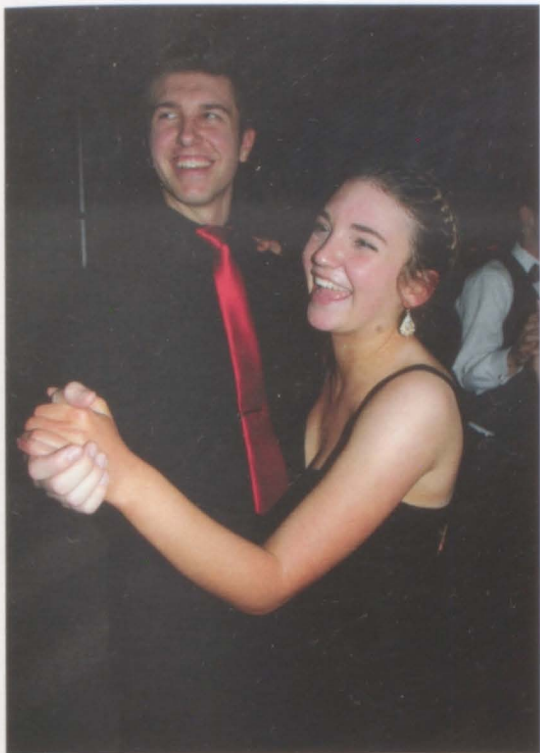
**A:** Our group went to Ameristar Casino.

**Q: Transportation?**

**A:** We took a party bus, and I liked it because we could get up and dance.

**Q: Post-Prom?**

**A:** After prom we just hung out and listened to music. It was fun and relaxing.

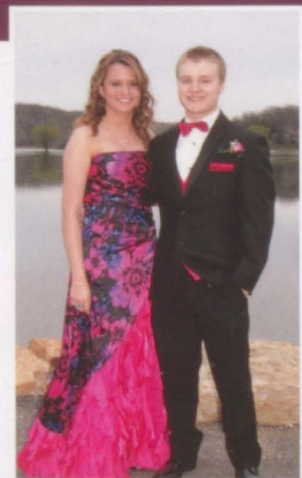
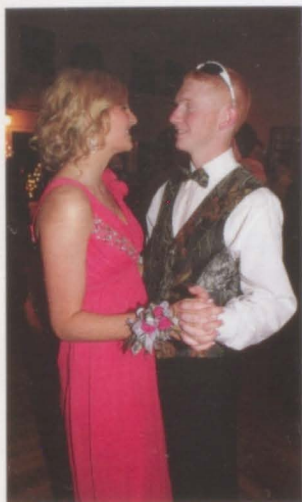


**[having a blast]**

Junior Skyler Lucas, above, and junior Caroline Clark share a laugh while dancing to Aaron Lewis' cover of "Iris" by the Goo Goo Dolls. "Prom was really fun in general because the disc jockey played great music," Clark said.

**[face to face]**

Junior Hannah Hunt and senior Logan Terrell gaze into each other's eyes as they slow dance. "Prom was the time of my life. I really enjoyed the music and the party bus. I also enjoyed going with Logan because he is the best boyfriend," Hunt said.



Kelsey Ballou-Lyngstad and Tyler Lentz

**Q: Dating or just friends?**

**A: We are dating.**

**Q: Dinner?**

**A: We got lost on the way to the restaurant in Olathe, so we just didn't eat and went to Taco Bell after the dance.**

**Q: Transportation?**

**A: Tyler drove his cousin's car.**

**Q: Post-Prom?**

**A: We went to the Cord Cannon's house with most of his group and got in the hot tub and watched movies.**

something **[NEW]**

I sang at Prom because I wanted to do something special that I could look back on when I'm older. I asked Mrs. DeLeon, one of the sponsors, if I could perform. She checked with Mr. Hornback and they gave me the green light. I sang "Iris" by the Goo Goo Dolls, but I did my own acoustic version.

About ten minutes before I was supposed to go on, I got super nervous, which doesn't happen often. I just kept thinking about my mic check before prom and how it sounded pretty good, but when show time came the mic to my guitar wasn't loud enough.

I felt pretty embarrassed that they couldn't hear my guitar very well, but it was an experience that I will never forget. I'm glad I did it and hope that I opened the door for other students to show off their talents and enjoy their last high school prom.

Aaron Lewis [12]



Royalty



Front Row: Skyler Taylor, Cassady Holloway, Queen Micaela Reed, King Jacob Sopher, Rachael Jensen, and Taylor Coleman. Row 2: Jonathan Blackwell, Coleman Isaacs, T.J. Kimbrough-French, and Jason Van Maren.





class of

2013



Tristan Abts



Kelsey Addie



Joseph Arnett



Stephanie Arnold



Gabriela Arzabala



Allison Augustine



Aaron Avila



Patrick Ballard



Maranda Ballou



Caleb Bennett



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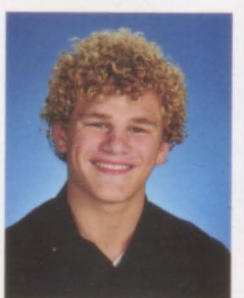
Sarah Catron



Drew Clark



Tanner Clark



Jared Clements



Haley Close



Taylor Coleman



William Collins



Almalee Crane



\\ Chad Uhl

# the next [STEVE JOBS]

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To be likened to one of the most influential innovators of the 21<sup>st</sup> century is an absolute honor. Jobs' outlook and prospects for the technological world go nearly unparalleled in both popularity and magnitude. I can only hope to be as prominent a figure in my future with computer science.

My interest in technology began at my day-care center. That was where it all began and my love for technology has only grown from there. I love thinking of ways to innovate existing ideas and to create things previously thought impossible.

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Dante Crider



Lauren Culter



Anna Deegan



Paul Deeter



Cesar Diaz



Jacqueline Diaz



Deidra Elijah



Tanise England



Madison Epp



Edwardo Flores



Miguel Flores



Shaylice Flynn



Tessa Franchett



Spencer Frank



Kayla Fratzel

the next [WHEATIES BOX ATHLETES]

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I think it's pretty cool that my friends and classmates selected me for this. I love sports and have always been involved with them. I guess people noticed. Sports have taught me how to be mentally tough and introduced me to a lot of new friends throughout my life in sports.

\\ Jonathan Blackwell

It's really nice that I got chosen for this because I love playing sports and being active. Sports have been a huge part of my life ever since I was a little kid. They've kept me on a good path and have introduced me to many people who have been very important to me. They've also kept me healthy!

\\ Haley Hoffine

”



Angelica Galvan



Luis Gardea



Tylynn Glenn



Tiffany Gray



Robert Green



Christopher Griffiths



Bryanna Hammer



Geena Harris



Emily Haynes



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Keith Lambie



Danny Lankford



Joseph Lentz



Tyler Lentz



Aaron Lewis



Stephen Lewis



Savannah Lochert



Kevin London



Cheyenne Luth

### next Herbal Essence [MODEL]



\\Madison Epp

I get a lot of compliments on my hair, but I didn't think I would win "Most Likely to be a Herbal Essence Model." My hair has gone through many phases. When I was little, I did rock the bob with the straight across bangs and let me just say I looked pretty cute. Throughout middle school, I grew it out and at the beginning of high school I got bangs. I kept it long for awhile just because it was easier handle with dance, but I did just recently cut six inches off.

I like my hair now that it is shorter. In the future I may grow it back out again or possibly go even shorter. It's fun to change things up.



Winter Luttrell



Breana Lynn



Alexander Martinez



Anna Martinez



Danielle Matthews



Renae Maxey



Cassandra McClain



Megan McCullough



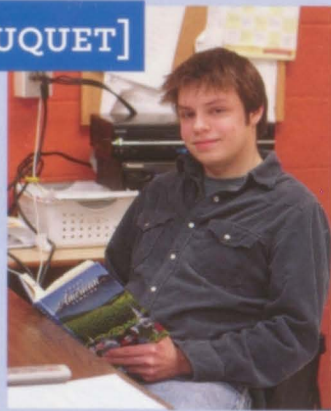
Miranda McCullough



Jermaine McGee

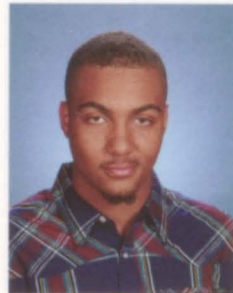
## the next [FOUQUET]

I'm very pleased to be voted the next Fouquet, for a couple different reasons. First, and most importantly, Mr. Fouquet was one of the main reasons I decided I wanted to become an English teacher. I've always been an English guy, as I enjoy exploring the language and all



\\ Peter Swanson

the things written in it. Mr. Fouquet helped me realize how important being skilled in language can be in one's life. I also do fancy myself a bit of a writer, dealing in poetry and prose. With his help, my writing has improved. He was also my mentor for my senior project. Mr. Fouquet has had an impact on my life, so I'm glad to be voted the next him.



Alan McKinley



Brenna McQuitty



Cheyenne Miller



Ryan Minton



Miguel Miranda



Brandon Moore



Jessica Moulin



Falcon Murillo



Tessa Newberry



Elliott Nickell



Cassidi Nobles



Hannah Novogradic



Krista Owens



Jessica Parada



Raphael Pena



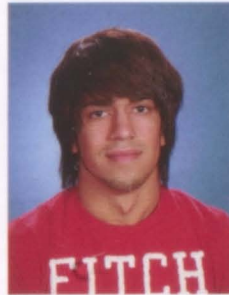
Kaylee Plowman



Kaitlyn Probasco



Aaron Puckett



Kalim Raza Khan



Dalen Reed



Hannah Reed



Micaela Reed



Merrick Reiss



Samantha Ricci-Weller



Quinn Richert



Mason Roberts



Stephanie Rose



Austin Ross



Dustin Russell



Elizabeth Ruth

Twitter [VERIFIED]



Taylor Coleman  
@tcolemann

I have almost 900 followers on Twitter. I like Twitter because I can briefly express what I am thinking at the moment and see what others are thinking too.

Kevin London  
@realkevinlondon

Right now on Twitter I have about 6,900 followers. I tweet whatever is on my mind and I think it is pretty cool of my classmates to have voted for me to be verified.

\\ Kevin London & Taylor Coleman

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the next [AMERICAN IDOL]

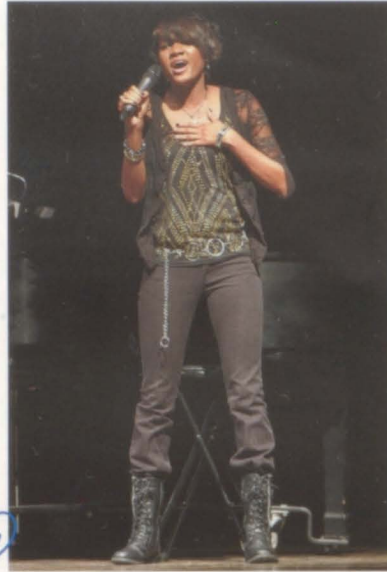
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This is quite shocking actually. Although I sing, I didn't expect to win because I'm not considered the popular type.

I think my peers chose me because they see how passionate I am about singing; it's basically my life. I've been singing since I was two years old so that's really all I know. Nothing brings more joy to my life than music.

I'm very excited to be picked as a senior favorite and hopefully this will be a dream that actually becomes reality.

”



\\ Deidra Elijah



Jhonatan Sanchez



Daniel Santana



Ryan Schuler



Sierra Seacat



Kyle Sears



Justus Seaton



Alexander Shearer



Sydney Shepherd



Marquette Smith



Jacob Sopher



Anthony Steinbacher



Shawn Stirling



Charles Stites



Dalazha Stokes



Peter Swanson



Ciera Sweeney



Skyler Taylor



Logan Terrell



Rebekah Thompson



Addison Tolliver



Tatiana Torres



Ciara Turner



Sydney Turner



Austen Twombly



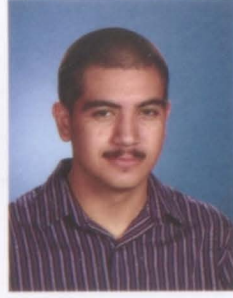
Aidan Twombly



Chad Uhl



Jason Van Maren



Jose Villaneda-Rivera



Benjamin Villegas



Leah Walker



Courtney Wheeler



Andrea Wiglesworth



Brenna Williams



Jené Williams



LiNelle Wilson

Not Pictured  
 Ashley Adams  
 David Arnold  
 Mark Brantley  
 Amber Brillhart  
 Amanda Huggins  
 Robert Jones  
 Skyler Mullins  
 Michael Odor  
 Madison Sloan

"We were making a Roman salad during a cooking lab in our fifth hour French III class, and it was a really fun experience. We got a good grade and everybody enjoyed the salad."

Ana Correa [11]

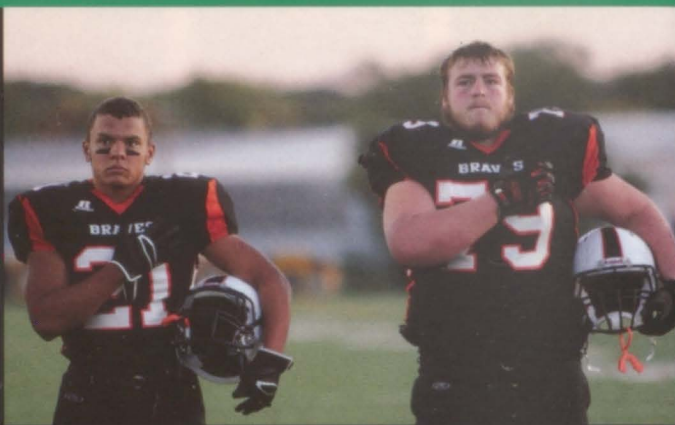
Lizabeth Acosta and Ana Correa



"We had a decent season, but I really wish we could have had more wins for all of our seniors. We're a really close team, almost like a family."

Austin Goodin [11]

Jared Knemnschild and Austin Goodin



"We were burning a piece of metal to study chemical reactions in third hour Chemistry. The magnesium gave off a really bright light, which was cool to see even though it hurt your eyes."

Shelby Yuncker [11]

Kyliea Jarrett and Shelby Yuncker



# [juniors]



Lizbeth Acosta  
Timothy Adams  
Andrew Adkins  
Nathan Allenbrand  
Jonathan Atchison



Kelsey Ballou-Lyngstad  
Rachel Barber  
Elizabeth Barger  
Colin Barker  
Connor Bennett



Tyler Berry  
Kennedy Bizzell  
DeAngelo Bradley  
Shane Buck  
Charity Burnworth



Jackeline Calderon  
Justin Carroll  
Alexandra Carter  
Antonio Chavez  
Caroline Clark



Cassidy Clark  
Kayleigh Clark  
Killian Clarke  
Katelyn Cochran  
Destini Colvin



Andrew Conn  
Jeimy Contreras  
Stephanie Cook  
Ana Correa  
Elijah Cote



Cody Crider  
Dakota Cunningham  
Jhoseph Davis  
Blake Dilley  
Travis Dooley

Zshavon Dotson  
Aaron Ducey  
Kyle Dumler  
Paul Dykes  
Thomas Eads



Lilly Eickhoff  
Tyler Eickhoff  
Luciano Fasani  
Citlally Fernandez Alvarado  
William Fratzel



Hugo Garcia  
Jesus Garcia  
Austin Garrett  
Stephanie Gear  
Robert Glenn



Nathaniel Golder  
Austin Goodin  
Kayla Greer  
Aletta Gudger  
Chanler Hadley-Colene



Cheyenne Hale  
Jacob Harris  
Demetri Hart  
Colton Harvey  
Devon Haywood

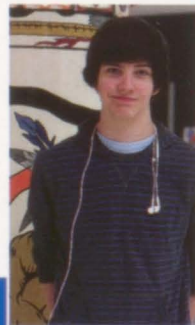


[If you could have dinner with anyone, who would it be?]



"I would have dinner with my grandfather, who died when I was just over a year old. I never met him but I've heard a lot of stories about how he was a really great man. I would really like to meet him."

Eleanor Lynch [11]



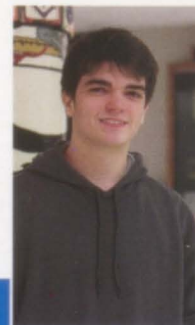
"I would have dinner with Chuck Norris because he is awesome. He seems like he would be a pretty cool guy to talk to."

Austin Garrett [11]



"I think it would be a good soccer player because I'm really into soccer. Maybe someone like David Beckham."

Jackie Calderon [11]

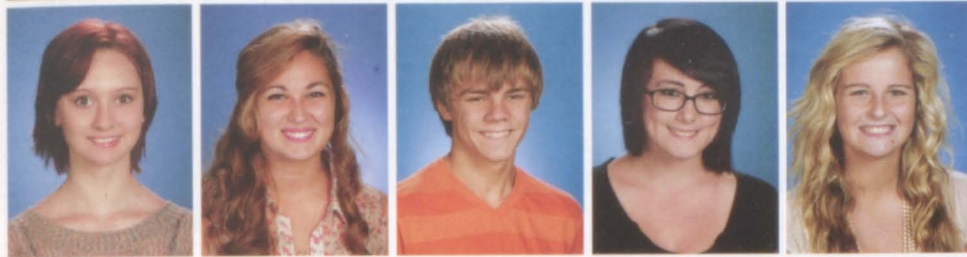


"I would have dinner with Ice Cube. I mean he's Ice Cube! He's straight out of Compton."

Paul Dykes [11]



Joshua Heck  
Lonisha Henderson  
Tyler Hernandez  
Bailey Hightower  
Sarafina Hill



Hayley Hinton  
Kristina Holgerson  
Thomas Hook  
Sawndra Hubbell  
Hannah Hunt



Madison Hurla  
Jordan Jackson  
Kylie Jarrett  
Alexandria Jenkins  
Peter Jenkins



Leonard Jones  
Jack Klingele  
Jared Knernschild  
Jacob Korosec  
Anthony Kubas



Jacob Laing  
Devon Lamberd  
Lisa Laub  
Grant Lewis  
Skyler Lucas



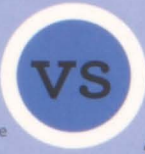
Steven Luth  
Eleanor Lynch  
Caleb Mace  
Lauren Marquez  
Shelby Mata



William Mathus  
Jordan Mauk  
Lanysha Mays  
Marc McClain  
Dennis McDaniel

# [Speak Out] Which do you prefer?

Instagram  
68%



32%  
Snapchat

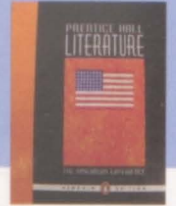
"I like Instagram more than I like Snapchat. I like that people can see your life on Instagram but on Snapchat you only see pictures for a couple of seconds and then it's gone."  
Ksee Sanchez [11]

"Junior year is better than sophomore year because you have more freedom and you've really gotten past the most awkward years of high school. Things really start to finally come together."  
Mariah Seifert [11]



Junior Year  
72%

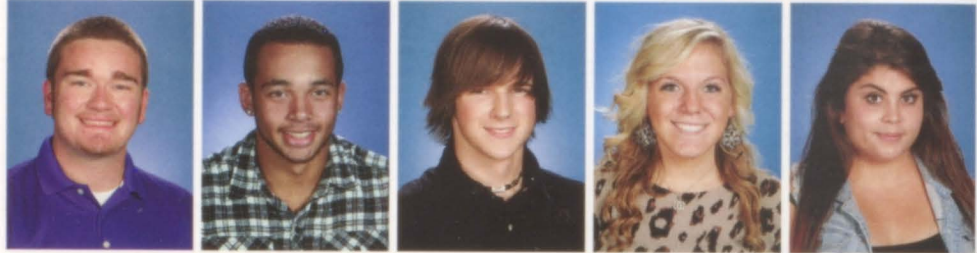
28%  
Sophomore Year



Kassandra McKelvin  
Kayla McPherson  
Deion McQuarters  
Daniel Mejia  
Cassie Miller



Dakota Nason  
Darian Neal  
Christien Nobles  
Nicole Norris  
Alejandra Ochoa



Clarissa Patch  
Maison Patchett  
Paige Perrin  
Cody Pierce  
Monica Polanco



Jordan Pouncil  
Denni Pressley  
Emily Prince  
Zachary Quigley  
Caleb Ray



Brianna Robinette  
Dalton Robinson  
Erica Rosales  
Cole Ruff  
Tristan Russell



Oak Park Mall  
46%

"I think the Legends is better than Oak Park Mall because it is closer and the shops are better."  
Jacob Harris [11]



54%  
Legends

"I only drink coffee because there's a bigger variety in flavors. I just prefer coffee over tea."  
A.J. Adkins [11]



Tea  
52%

48%  
Coffee



\*101 Juniors Surveyed



Dominic Salvino  
Kortni Sanborn  
Kemberly Sanchez  
Ksee Sanchez  
Brianna Sawyer



Nathan Schaber  
Quinton Schneck  
Austin Schuler  
Kristina Schwab  
Tre Scott



Bailey Sears  
Josiah Seaton  
Mariah Seifert  
Ne'Kye Sheppard  
Keith Shields



D.J. Simpson  
Shelby Smith  
Itzel Soto  
McKenna Spiess  
Aaron Spurgeon



Ryan Steinbacher  
Ashley Sutton  
Valerie Torres  
Brianna Torrez  
Ryan Turner

# Speak Out

Auston Twombly  
Mikayla Ussery  
Jeremy Vanden Hull  
Weston Vitt  
Ahmad Walls



Erin Walters  
Abigail Ward  
Kara Watts  
Danan Weaver  
Jake Wenzel



Les Wessel  
Carina Willeford  
Shelby Yuncker



## [What actor or actress would play you in a movie?]



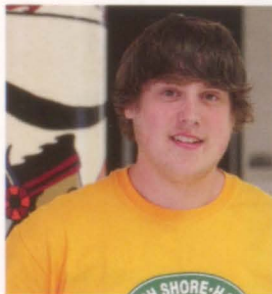
"I guess Miley Cyrus would play me in a movie because she is spontaneous and very outgoing. That's kind of how I am."

Madison Hurla [11]



"I'd probably choose Adam Sandler to play me in a movie about my life because he is funny, like me."

Colin Barker [11]



"I think Will Ferrell would definitely play me in a movie. We are both kind of crazy. I've been told I am like a young Will Ferrell."

Devon Haywood [11]



"I think Anne Hathaway would play me in a movie about my life because I like her and I think she is a cool person."

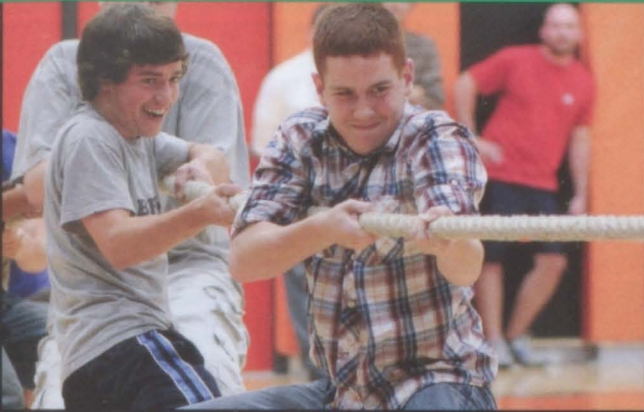
Hayley Hinton [11]



Sudarat Alongkornvilai

"My first time to give blood was kind of scary because I had never given before. It did hurt a little bit, but it was really worth it."

Sudarat Alongkornvilai [10]



Karl Turner and Logan Shearer

"I was called down during the first quarter Renaissance assembly as a black card holder. We faced off and won against the orange card team. I ended up getting a QuikTrip gift card, so it was pretty awesome."

Logan Shearer [10]



Jonathan Heck

"I chose to take an art class because it's fun and I feel that I am an artistic person. I draw at home and I enjoy being creative through different mediums, except for painting. I tried painting, but it's just not for me."

Jonathan Heck [10]

# [sophomores]

Sudarat Alongkornvilai  
 Dominick Armstrong  
 Aaron Ashford  
 Dakota Ballard  
 Da'Nae' Banks



Frankie Banuelos  
 Courtney Barger  
 Steven Barnes  
 Skyla Barton  
 Gabrielle Bennett



Grace Bennett  
 Mikaela Bennett  
 Gabriella Blakney  
 Erin Bowser  
 Briana Brison



Joshua Brown  
 Adam Burdolski  
 Keegan Burkhart  
 Nathan Campbell  
 Akiko Capalla



Joe Casteel  
 Jordan Castro  
 Justin Chapman  
 Marquise Chapple-Stokes  
 Jessica Christensen



Dylan Clark  
 Dallas Clayton  
 Ryan Closser  
 Tyler Closser  
 Joshua Coffman



Cheyenne Cook  
 Troy Cornett  
 Amber Cox  
 Joseph Crane  
 Joshua Cabbage



# intriguing [obsessions]



Austin Dennison  
Dylan Derks



Yasmine Diaz  
Jacob Dobbs



Brenden Dotson  
Alyssa Driskill



"I collect stuffed animals because there is something about how fluffy and cute they are. They make me feel safe, and I probably own about 200 of them."

Ashtyn Wells [10]



"I'm obsessed with basketball. If it's nice outside, I'll play as much as I can. I'm a huge Dwayne Wade fan, and I like to watch the Miami Heat play."

Jordan Williams [10]



"My obsession is playing the piano. I practice about three hours a day, and it really calms me down. I like anything from New Age to contemporary music."

Dallas Clayton [10]



"I collect rocks because they're pretty, have interesting shapes and weird colors. I find them in random locations, and I probably have more than 300 of them."

Bailey Pressler [10]



Victoria Dunn  
Hannah Fehlhafer  
Rodrigo Fernandez Alvarado  
Tyler Ferris  
Loren Ford



Kenneth Forir  
Airyana Fox  
Jonah Freese  
Madison Fritz  
Maressa Garcia



Zachary Gilbert  
Roman Glenn  
Thaddeus Glenn  
Edgar Gomez  
Kelli Gore



Brian Gray  
Madison Gray  
Zachary Gray  
Steven Greer  
Richard Hamilton

# [Speak Out] Which do you prefer?

Android™  
59%

"I prefer the iPhone because it is a lot faster than the Android and I feel like there are more apps. The Android keyboard is also way too touchy."  
Hannah Fehlhafer [10]



41%  
iPhone

Red Fortune is cooked especially for you instead of being cooked in large amounts like at Panda Express. It tastes better, it looks better, and it smells better. They also have a great staff and good customer service.  
Colton Quigley [10]



Panda Express  
42%



58%  
Red Fortune

Jenna Hammond  
Corey Hand  
Jonathan Heck  
Lewis Henry  
Kianna Hickmon



Ross Hogan  
Aarionna Holliday  
Meranda Hull  
Stephanie Isley  
Jalisa James



J.T. Johnson  
Rachel Johnson  
Sam Johnson  
Tiara Johnson  
Aaron Jones



Mackenzie Jones  
Samantha Joyce  
Michael Kelley  
Maddy Kempf  
Hailey Kendrick



Caitlyn Khatchadourian  
Jeremy Kilmartin  
James King  
Jacob Kraus  
Kyle Lackner



Physical Books  
53%

"I prefer reading a physical book because I just can't concentrate when I'm reading off of a computer screen. I can use my imagination more when the book is in my hand."  
Caitlyn Khatchadourian [10]



47%  
eBooks

"I prefer PC because they are more customizable. It's not as user friendly, but once you get used to it, you can go through it really quickly. Also, it's more popular, so more stuff is made for it."

Jonathan Nay [10]



Mac  
42%

58%  
PC



\*76 Sophomores Surveyed



Bryan Lanning  
Megan Laughlin  
Morgan Lawrence  
Allie Ledbetter  
Amber Lies



Caleb Malone  
Octavion Matthews  
Kelli Mauk  
Jesse McAdams  
Kailey McCorkendale



Jeremy McDonnell  
Tierra McGee  
Sarah Milligan  
Michaela Mock  
Felicia Monroy



Michael Montoya Garcia  
Alejandro Morado  
Allie Mulich  
Lauren Murphy  
Emma Murrugarra



Jonathan Nay  
Lenaa Neely  
Samuel Nelson  
Jacob Neu  
Kristofer Newman

Bailey Nichols  
Morgan Nichols  
Justice Nicholson  
Alex Povlitzki  
Bailey Presler



Preston Pyles  
Colton Quigley  
Tyler Rhodes  
Haylee Richmond  
Bridget Rittinghouse



Skyler Roach  
Vincent Roul  
Courtney Roush  
Gabrielle Rye  
Dustin Scott



Faith Seaton  
Garrett Segura  
Natalie Sexton  
Baleigh Shearer  
Logan Shearer



Taner Shipman  
Abrise Sims  
Richard Skaggs  
Thomas Smalley  
Lei'Onna Smith



Tucker Smith  
Laine Smith-Stimach  
Brittany Spencer  
Daniel Spurgeon  
Steven Steinbacher



Monica Stimac  
Cassie Stock  
Darien Stogner  
Madison Stumbough  
Deana Sumner





Kaleigh Taylor  
Shelbey Taylor  
Darryl Terrell  
Georgia Thaxton  
Abby Torres Flores



Karl Turner  
Rosa Varela Ramirez  
Devon Wacker  
Allie Wallace  
Layne Warner



Alexandria Washburn  
Rayna Weibrecht  
Ashtyn Wells  
Kelsey Wheeler  
Jordan Williams



Austin Willmon  
Ashley Woodford  
Jason Woodrome  
Jake Wylie  
Bernabe Zamora

## Milestone [MOMENTS]



"I really enjoyed playing football this season because I didn't play my freshman year. I've always loved playing football, and this year's team really felt like a family, especially when everyone started calling me Scuba Steve."  
Steven Barnes [10]



"One of my best moments came in September when I got a new hardbound sketchbook from my dad. I draw in it every day, and it has deepened my love for fashion illustration."  
Loren Ford [10]

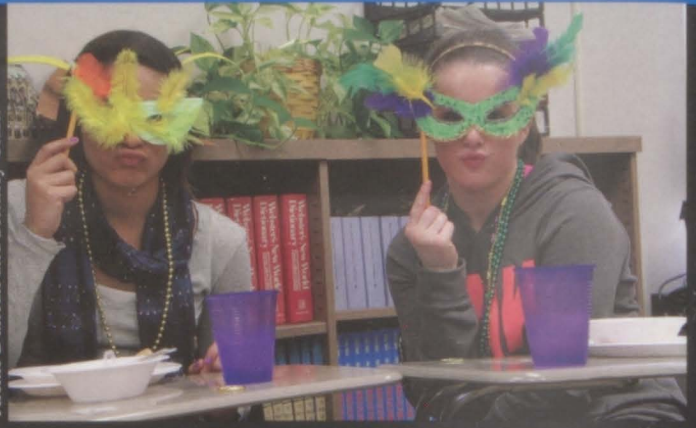


"Getting my first car, a 1997 Chevy S-10, was awesome. I worked all summer at Schlitterbahn. It took all my money, but it was worth it because now I can go anywhere without my parents driving me."  
Alex Povlitzki [10]

"We were showing off our Mardi Gras masks in seventh hour French class. The celebration was a lot of fun and the food was really good. I really enjoyed learning about French culture."

Brittney Clark [9]

Alexis Duncan and Brittney Clark



"I was using the table saw to make a clock in my sixth hour Industrial Technology class. The class was really fun because I'd never worked with any power tools before."

Isaiah Creach [9]

Isaiah Creach and Dalton Joyce



"Marching in the band was really fun this year. It was a hard routine to work with, but I finally figured it out. I really love being a part of the high school band."

Payton Sechrist [9]

Payton Sechrist



[freshmen]



Joshua Adams  
Daniela Aguilar Ochoa  
Marissa Akins  
Addie Alder  
Michael Amayo



Shaun Anderson  
Morgan Arsenault  
Ramon Arzabala  
Amy Ash  
Michaela Augustine



Kennedy Bacon  
Riley Ballou-Lyngstad  
Jessica Banuelos  
Antonio Barajas  
Emily Barger



Gwenyth Barrett  
Emily Beach  
Isaac Bolton  
Tyrese Bolton  
Michael Bradley



Shaun Brake  
Elizabeth Briggs  
Brandy Brouhard  
Andrew Bryant  
Alexandria Burnett



John Burnworth  
Hayley Butler  
Connor Byers  
Tyler Campbell  
Annie Carpenter



Katie Carpenter  
Damion Carreiro  
Steven Chapple  
Tyler Chastain  
Kali Chatmon

# [Favorite] App



"My favorite app is definitely the Youtube app. I like being able to view videos and updates from my favorite subscriptions on Youtube."

Silas Bechard [9]



"My favorite app is probably Instagram because I like taking pictures and it's a fun way to see what's happening in everyone else's life."

Paige Rowan [9]



"I love the Wanelo because it's a shopping app and there's lots of cute stuff you can buy. I check it every day to see what's new. I get a lot of ideas that fit my style."

Brianna Shively [9]



"I like Bike Race. It's a competition to see who can get the most wins on 70 difference courses. You can race up to 100 people online at one time."

Collin Sechrist [9]

Brittney Clark  
Katelynn Clark



Timothy Cornett  
Wayne Cornwell



Cody Cox  
Isaiah Creach



Robert Crowley  
Jamie Cunningham  
Belinda Diaz  
Tyler Dill  
Kaitlyn Donell



Ciara Dornbrack  
Alexis Duncan  
Arthur Eickhoff  
Kendall Ellis  
James Felix



Caitlin Fine  
Chelsea Fletcher  
Lucy Florez  
Crystalyn Ford  
Tristan Foster



Jonita Francis  
Alexander Frank  
Jayme Fratzel  
Victoria Frecks  
Jamison Freese





Brett French  
Kasey Gilbert  
K.C. Gillespie  
Abby Glezen  
Carlos Gonzales-Gustin



Kayla Gott  
Tae'lor Graves  
Mercedes Gray  
Joey Groce  
Erica Haas



Tyler Hale  
Shayne Hand  
Stephen Hanks  
Madison Hanson  
Randall Harris



Odin Hart  
Brajai Haskell  
Christopher Hayes  
Mayra Hernandez  
Tanya Hernandez



Miyah Hightower  
Nicole Hill  
Elayah Hinson  
Hayden Hoffine  
Sadie Holden



Marcell Holmes  
Victoria Hoover  
Braiden Horner  
McKindrea Hudson  
Ariel Huffman



Mason Hurla  
Devon Jackson  
Julianne Jackson  
Michaela Jackson  
Shane Jackson

# [Speak Out] Which do you prefer?

High School  
88%



12%  
Middle School

"I prefer high school because it gives you a chance to really start over, make something for yourself, and plan your future."

Vicky Hoover [9]

"I prefer Google Chrome because Chrome is much faster. Firefox takes a lot of time to find exactly what you are looking for."

Gwen Barrett [9]

Chrome  
58%



42%  
Firefox



Lacey-Jo Jones  
Travis Jorgenson  
Dalton Joyce  
Peter Klingele  
Lilly Lackner



Katelin Lake  
Julia Lamendola  
Ethan Lemon  
Robyn Lewis  
Zoe Lofton



Jennifer Maness  
Griffin Mareske  
Kellsee Marlowe  
Hannah Martin  
Tyita Mathias



Aaron McGee  
Devante McGee  
Blake McMahan  
Madelynn Mefferd  
Steffan Mefferd



Victoria Mejia  
Jacob Mellott  
Alyssa Mendoza  
Benjamin Moore  
Jesse Morado



Tumblr  
53%

"I like tumblr better because you can follow celebrities and there is a lot more to do."

Kali Chatmon [9]



47%  
Pinterest

"I prefer Walmart because there is a bigger selection of items and Walmart is a bigger store. I think Walmart is a better store overall."

Caleb Patrick [9]



Walmart  
59%

41%  
Target



\*118 Freshmen Surveyed



Raven Murillo  
Justin Neagles  
Emily Nelson  
Nicholas Nickell  
Jason Nilges



Trenell Nowden  
Marisol Ochoa Gonzalez  
Alexis Oden  
Chris Osorio  
Caeleb Otting



Paige Paikowski  
Jammie Parkhill  
Caleb Patrick  
Carlie Peugh  
Kevin Pichardo



Bailey Pierce  
Sulem Prado  
Jacob Pressley  
Joshua Pressley  
Austin Purduski



David Quezada  
Morgan Reed  
Taryn Remigio  
Jose Rios  
Antonio Roark



Andrew Bryant [9]

**Q:** What's been the best part about coming to the high school?

**A:** Being able to become friends with upperclassmen.

**Q:** What was your biggest disappointment?

**A:** Breaking my arm and missing all of football season.

**Q:** What was your favorite class?

**A:** World History with Mr. Howe. He creates an environment where everyone can learn and succeed, and he'll help you all he can.

**Q:** Any memorable moments?

**A:** When our freshman basketball team beat Mill Valley. They always beat us, so it was nice to beat them for a change.

**Q:** What do you do right after school?

**A:** Work in the weight room.



Emily Nelson [9]

**Q:** What's been the best part about life at the high school?

**A:** The best part was all of the sports that I've done, more freedom, and Stucco.

**Q:** What was your biggest surprise?

**A:** I was actually able to play varsity softball. I was really nervous during my first time at bat, but after that I settled down.

**Q:** What was your favorite class?

**A:** My favorite class was weights and my favorite teacher was Mrs. Swabb; she made everything fun and I really loved that she was always so positive.

**Q:** High school or middle school?

**A:** I prefer high school because we have more freedom.

**Q:** What do you do after school?

**A:** I usually play sports.

Samuel Roark  
Devyn Robben  
Kaylan Roberts



Heidi Rodgers  
Jazmin Rodriguez  
Alvaro Romo



Araceli Rosales  
Maria Rosales  
Priscilla Rosales



Paige Rowan  
Cassandra Rye  
Kacey Ryser



Austin Sams  
Hannah Scheck  
Kolbe Seaton



Alexis Sechrist  
Collin Sechrist  
Payton Sechrist



Kynneddy Shepherd  
Darius Sheppard  
Brianna Shively





Hunter Smith  
Cameron Smith-Poe  
Shelby Sneed  
Sumer Sprenkle  
Alazia Stanley



Alexis Tendick  
Linda Thao  
Taylor Vanden Hull  
Rebecca Vela  
James Wagner



Kelley Walker  
Collin Wallar  
Hanna Wenzel  
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Morgan Wilhite



Kristina Williams  
Tomias Womack  
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## [My Freshman Year]



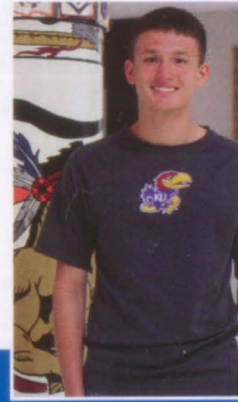
"Going to KU during our tribe field trip was memorable. It was a really good experience and the cafeteria food was amazing. I also liked that KU had multiple libraries and a wide variety of books."

Alvaro Romo [9]



"Joining the soccer team was the best part of my freshman year because when I'm out on the field I really don't have to worry about anything else. I just focus on scoring and being with my friends."

Adrianna Pollock [9]



"One of the best moments of my freshman year was when we finally beat Mill Valley in basketball. It was very challenging and we had to play our best the entire game to beat them in overtime, 57-54."

Michael Amayo [9]

Lucinda Arnett, Paraprofessional  
 Lucas Aslin, Physical Education  
 Nancy Baker, Language Arts  
 Monty Bechard, Physical Education  
 Kerry Bennett, Paraprofessional  
 Maria Betzen, Paraprofessional



Kim Bolewski, Nurse  
 Twila Bolton, Cafeteria  
 Diane Bonner, Success Center  
 Dan Burns, Industrial Technology  
 Sara Cady, Social Science  
 Heather Campbell, Mathematics



Denise Chowning, Paraprofessional  
 Alisha Cobbins, Business  
 Charla Coker, Cafeteria  
 Adrianne DeLeon, Business  
 Bill Downing, Language Arts  
 Andrea Eick, Mathematics



Trisha Elder, Science  
 Sally Finck, Music Accompanist  
 Jeff Fouquet, Language Arts  
 Linda Francis, Student Services  
 Michelle Hagen, Science  
 Carol Hahner, Paraprofessional



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 Jill Holder, Journalism  
 Anne Holt, Front Office Manager  
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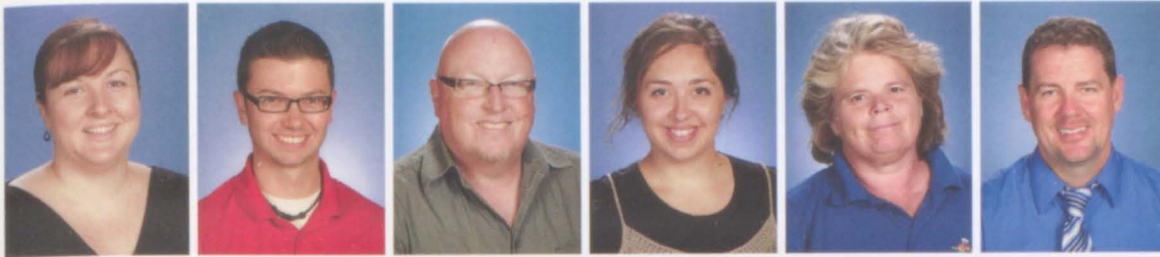


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 Brandon Jobe, P.E.  
 Jacob Johnson, Mathematics  
 Christopher Klager, Science



Sarah Kolle, Mathematics  
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 Lisa Lugar, Language Arts  
 Jan Madlock, Science  
 Cheryl McCleary, Cafeteria  
 Judie McDonnell, Paraprofessional





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 Jim Mitchell, Special Education  
 Sarabeth Morgan, Special Education  
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 Hannah Oberg, Language Arts  
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 Katie Schumm, Special Education  
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 Ann Smith, Language Arts  
 Dawn Sommers, FACS  
 Renee Stanley, Bookkeeper  
 Dan Streit, Journalism  
 Jennifer Stricherz, Language Arts



Susan Swabb, Foreign Language  
 Lisa Terrell, Guidance Counselor  
 Jessica Thomas, Secretary  
 David Tisch, Long-Term Substitute  
 William Turley, Instrumental Music  
 Brian White, Vocal Music



Jamie White-Roach, Cafeteria  
 Kerry Wixon, Instrumental Music  
 Chris Wood, Language Arts  
 David Yantz, Paraprofessional  
 Victoria Zonko, Social Science

Not Pictured  
 Diane Bonner  
 Rob Marriott  
 Tabitha Marriott  
 Carolynn Welliver  
 Dustin Arnett

# Sports

Varsity Boys Soccer Team



Kyliea Jarrett [11] & Aarionna Holliday [10]



Logan Terrell [12]





**[pushing for excellence]**  
Coach Lucas Aslin offers senior Matt Call a high five in the season opening win against Lansing while junior Darian Neal looks on.

# A season of highs & lows

// mariah seifert

[Team humbled by quick start and slow finish]

The Braves football team picked up speed early in the season, winning their first three games against Turner, Lansing, and Bishop Ward.

According to head coach Lucas Aslin, beating Lansing 34-7 was the high point of the season. Offensively, the Braves had a big night with a total of 496 yards. The defense did its part by limiting the Lions to 184 yards.

Unfortunately, the Braves hit a rough spot at Piper where they lost an overtime heartbreaker. The Braves had a tough time regaining their confidence and their winning ways, finishing with a 3-6 record.

"This year's season started off extremely well but ended poorly,"

Aslin said. "We lost a lot of close games and it taught us how to battle as a team and fight through adversity. Being humbled a lot of times leads to success in the future."

Offensively, junior Jordan Jackson led the team with 720 rushing yards and 1,274 passing yards.

"I'm happy I could contribute," Jackson said. "I felt like I did my part and helped us to be competitive."

Defensively, junior Anthony Kubas led the team with 64 tackles.

"I did what I was supposed to do, and I'm glad I could help my team," Kubas said.

Senior Matt Call was right behind Kubas with 62 tackles, putting him in position for first-team All-KVL recognition.

"Even though we didn't win a lot of games, the team still grew as the season went on," Call said. "I'll miss walking out onto the field with my teammates on Friday nights the most."

## ALLKVL

**First Team**  
Matt Call

**Honorable Mention**

Jon Blackwell

Kyle Dumler

Jordan Jackson

Aaron Puckett

Jason Van Maren

Jacob Wylie

**Second Team**  
Jon Blackwell  
Shawn Bryant  
Tyler Howell



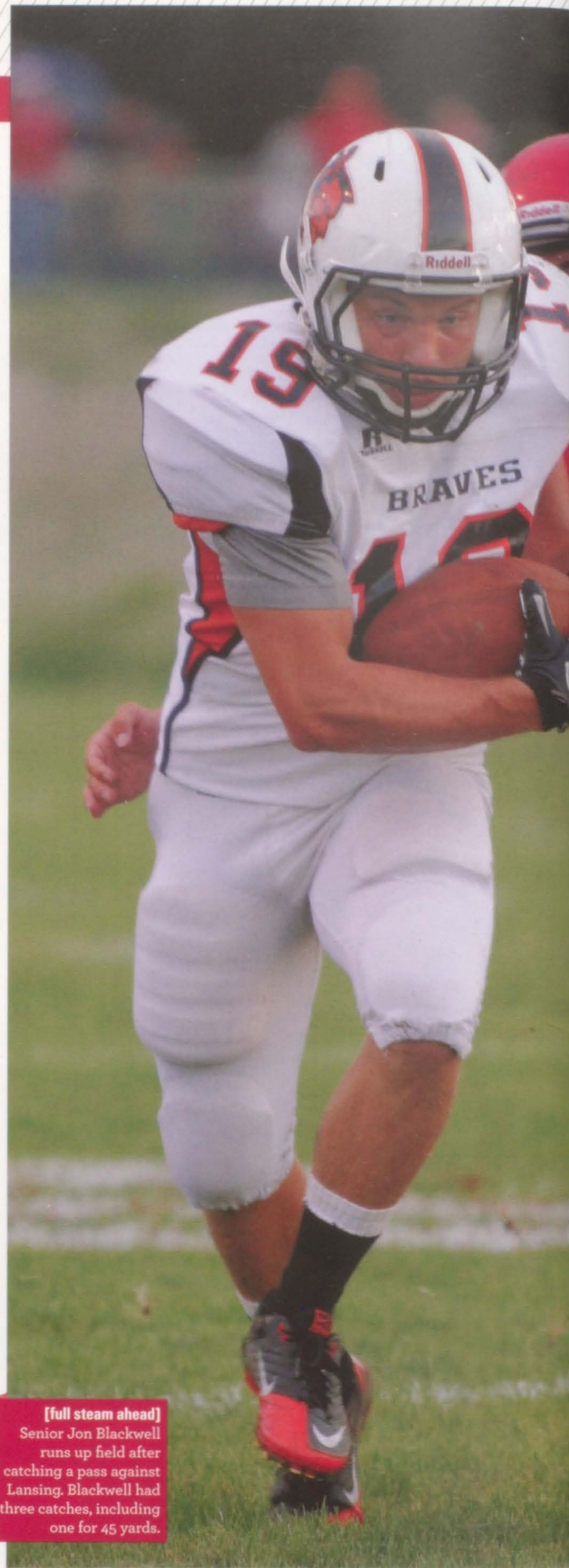
[making his move]

Junior Jared Knernschild runs the ball downfield with Lansing's defense trailing. Knernschild finished the game with 51 yards on 17 carries.



[taking charge]

Senior Matt Call intercepts a pass against Basehor. It was my season highlight," Call said. "I felt like I was the only one on the field, running like the wind."



[full steam ahead]

Senior Jon Blackwell runs up field after catching a pass against Lansing. Blackwell had three catches, including one for 45 yards.



"I'll miss my coaches because they brought out the work ethic I never knew I had."

Tyler Howell [12]



**[talking strategy]**

Sophomore Jake Wylie, left, and junior Kyle Dumler discuss their offensive blocking assignments in the home game against Basehor.

**[taking the hit]**

Junior Anthony Kubas makes a tackle in the last game of the season against Spring Hill while sophomore Thaddeus Glenn looks on.



**[making it count]**



**[going out in style]**

Senior Logan Terrell scores one of his two touchdowns against Spring Hill on Senior Night. Terrell returned an interception for 60 yards for the game's first touchdown and also scored on a 76-yard catch-and-run right before halftime. "I wanted to end my football career on a good note even though we lost, and I was happy with my performance and effort," Terrell said.



**[historic catch]**

Junior Travis Dooley anticipates the next play against Lansing where he would eventually score on a 97-yard pass play, the longest in Braves' history. "Going into the game I had no idea I would ever break a record. All I can remember is how good it felt when I got into the end zone. It was the highlight of my season," Dooley said.



**[in pursuit]**

Senior linebacker Shawn Bryant pursues the Piper quarterback in hopes of a sack. Bryant had 12 tackles in the game.



**[decisive moment]**

Sophomore Jake Wylie, No. 74, signals for a touchdown on the last play of the game. "I saw the ball go over the plane of the goal line," Wylie said. "I was really pumped up and I thought we were going to win, but we didn't get the call," Wylie said.



**[breaking away]**

Junior Jordan Jackson runs along the sideline for one of two rushing touchdowns against Piper. Jackson finished the game with 128 yards on 30 carries.

# A game for the ages

## [Braves battle Piper in overtime thriller]

In what was easily the most exciting game of the season, the Braves took a three-game winning streak to Piper on Sept. 11.

The excitement began when Piper returned the opening kickoff for a touchdown. The Braves responded with 20 unanswered points, but the Pirates eventually came back and regulation play ended in a 23-23 tie.

The Braves fought hard until the very end, but fell short in overtime at the goal line, losing 29-23.

Junior Jordan Jackson attempted

to get into the end zone four times, but couldn't break past Piper's defense.

"It was frustrating that we lost, but we left it all out on the field. If calls and plays would have gone a different way, it would have changed the outcome," Jackson said.

Unfortunately the loss was tough to shake.

"Winning at Piper could have been a season-changer; it could have given us more momentum for the rest of the season," senior Shawn Bryant said.

### UP FOR discussion



"The end results were devastating and it changed our whole season."

Thaddeus Glenn [10]



"Our effort showed on the field, but not on the scoreboard."

Mason Roberts [12]



"I really enjoyed my first season of cross country. I met new people and I got to run with my friends."

Tanya Hernandez [9]

# A SEASON [of] success

\\ quinton schneck

## ['No place like home' for cross country teams]

In sports, there's nothing like home field advantage, so the boys and girls cross country teams welcomed the chance to compete at their home course on four different occasions.

Both teams did well at the Wyco home meet where they finished first.

"We had 10 girls in the Top 20 and almost everyone set their season best," coach Rob Marriott said.

The boys also had a great race with a first-place effort by junior Austin Schuler, who finished with a time of 17:38. The Braves had four runners in the Top 5. Out of the 13 who competed, 11 achieved

personal-best times.

Another important home meet for the boys team came at the KVL championships where they finished third out of a total of eight teams. Schuler led the way with a fifth-place time of 17:20. Followed by sophomore Joe Casteel, who finished 12th.

According to boys coach Bill Downing, both squads enjoyed great chemistry and a strong sense of "family," which was the result of bonds that were formed during summer practices, pre-meet pasta parties and two-a-day workout schedule.

"When you care about the people, you put more effort into running," Downing said.



[pushing forward]

Senior Aaron Lewis and sophomore Rodrigo Alvarado push each other at the KVL meet where they turned in their personal best times at 20:14 and 20:13, respectively.



[last kick]

Freshman Taylor Vanden Hull and sophomore Faith Seaton finish strong through the chute at the KVL championships. Vanden Hull placed 30th while Seaton was 31st.

## Maranda Ballou

When senior Maranda Ballou became the fastest runner in school history, she was excited but not completely satisfied. Only three meets into the season, Ballou beat the record with a time of 16:44 at the Bonner Invitational.

"I wanted to do it again," Ballou said. "It's hard for me to put into words what it meant to break the record; it's just something you have to feel."

Ballou went on to break her record two more times, finishing her career with a 16:29 at regionals.

Ballou said her motivation for success was stronger than ever.

"I dedicated my season to my grandpa, who passed away in December my junior year," Ballou said. "I wanted to make him proud because he was always at my meets."



[going hard]

Junior Austin Schuler pushes to finish the KVL meet, placing 20th with a time of 17:20 to obtain a personal best.





**[side by side]**

Juniors Thomas Hook, left, and Zachary Quigley run at the state meet. "It was my first time to go to state in anything, so it was a real honor," said Quigley. "We really came together and worked hard."

"It meant a lot to me to go to state. It felt great to get to run with my friends."

Jake Wenzel [11]



## A trip well-deserved

The boys cross country team and coach Bill Downing made it their goal to qualify for the state meet, a place they hadn't been since 2005.

"We had a really good meet three weeks before regionals, but I knew all along we had the potential to qualify for state," Downing said. "It was a good feeling to get back there."

Competing at their own home course for regionals, the Braves finished third to seal the deal.

"It was a good group of kids," Downing said. "They all had a really good day at regionals, and they were pretty ecstatic."

The team finished 11th at state, and they were led by junior Austin Schuler, who was 44th with a time of 17:50. Sophomore Joe Casteel had the next best time at 18:16.



**[pushing forward]**

Junior Tre Scott makes his move at the end of the state race where he finished in 99th place with a time of 19:53.

**[made with love]**

Junior Citlally Fernandez and freshmen Kennedy Bacon, Hanna Wenzel, and Taylor Vanden Huzel cheer on their teammates at the state meet. "We made the signs when we got to the course at Wamego," Wenzel said. "We thought it was important to show our support."



## [ mind GAMES ]

A cross country race can take anywhere from 15 to 30 minutes. How do you stay focused?



"For most of the race, I repeat the same thought. Usually I'm reminding myself the pain is temporary. If I don't stay focused on my pace, I slow down. I really learned the power of my mind through the races."

Tessa Newberry [12]



"I usually think about everything from marching band tunes to the squirrels I see in the scenery. Near the end, I keep telling myself that I'm going to make it, but I've just got to go hard."

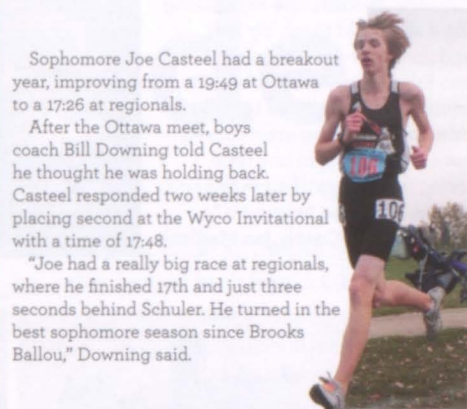
Fernando Arzabala [9]

## ALLKVL

**First Team**  
Austin Schuler

**Second Team**  
Maranda Ballou  
Joe Casteel  
T.J. Kimbrough-French

Joe Casteel



Sophomore Joe Casteel had a breakout year, improving from a 19:49 at Ottawa to a 17:26 at regionals.

After the Ottawa meet, boys coach Bill Downing told Casteel he thought he was holding back. Casteel responded two weeks later by placing second at the Wyco Invitational with a time of 17:48.

"Joe had a really big race at regionals, where he finished 17th and just three seconds behind Schuler. He turned in the best sophomore season since Brooks Ballou," Downing said.

T.J. Kimbrough-French



Although he battled plantar fasciitis most of the season, senior T.J. Kimbrough-French still enjoyed a third trip to the state meet. "It was my goal since the end of my freshman year to get the team to state, and this time it was finally realized," he said. "I was tired of going to state by myself or with just one teammate, so I was really excited when the whole team qualified."

## By the Numbers

42

total medals earned by both teams

3

top 5 finishes by junior Austin Schuler

number of senior runners on both teams

8

2

number of first-place team finishes, both coming at the Wyco Meet

number of freshman runners on the girls varsity team

4

45

total number of personal records achieved by the boys squad

# LUCKY charms

[Just a friendly little pat on the head]

"The tradition of touching my hair for good luck was thanks to Julianne Jackson. She kept touching me if she could touch my hair, and the whole team thought it was funny. Eventually, it became something they all had to do to bring us luck. They even chased me around the gym one time trying to touch my hair. After awhile, I stopped fighting it."

—Coach Jan Madlock



## [Making it our very own]

"Every time we put our hands together during a break we just didn't look like a unified team, so I started locking thumbs and pinkies with everyone around me, and it just sort of became our thing. I'm hoping it's a tradition that will stick around."

Cassady Holloway [12]



## Bump, Set, Spike



"The best part of the season was the closeness of the varsity squad. I was lucky to have the opportunity to play with such a great group of people. We always managed to have fun while making constant improvements."

Mariah Seifert [11]



"The junior varsity squad really worked together as a team, and the best of my season was hanging out with my teammates. We joked a lot on the court, but we managed to play well."

Monica Stimac [10]

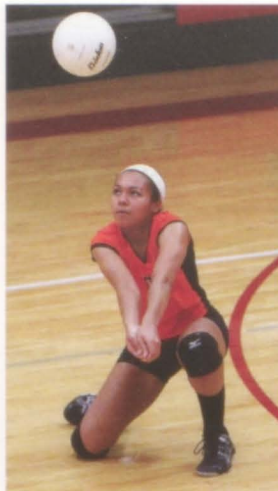


"Playing at the high school level was a lot more intense. I really enjoyed the strong sense of family that all of the squads shared."

Lexi Sechrist [9]

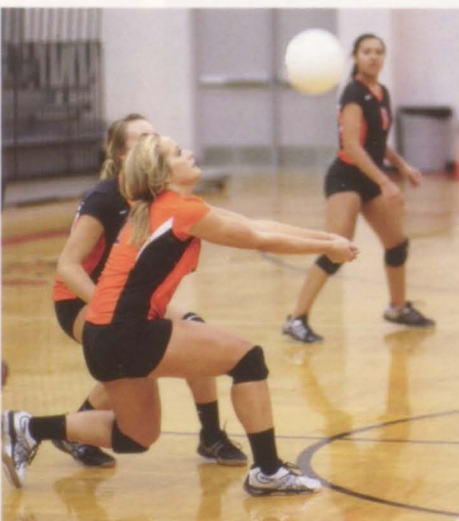
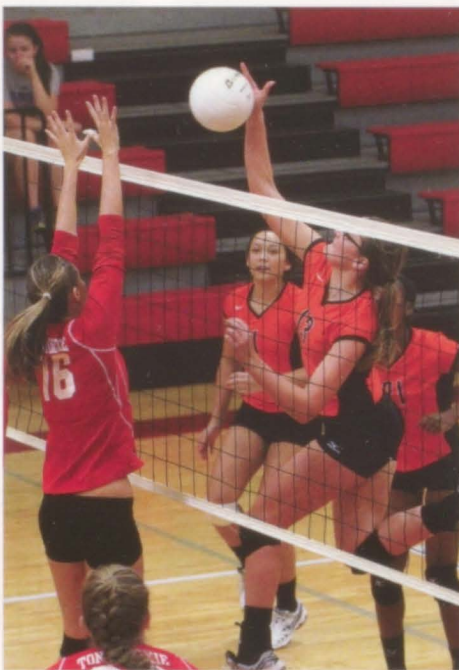
### [setting up a victory]

Senior Jene Williams passes to her teammate during the team's away win at Tonganoxie. Williams led the team in serving aces with 35.



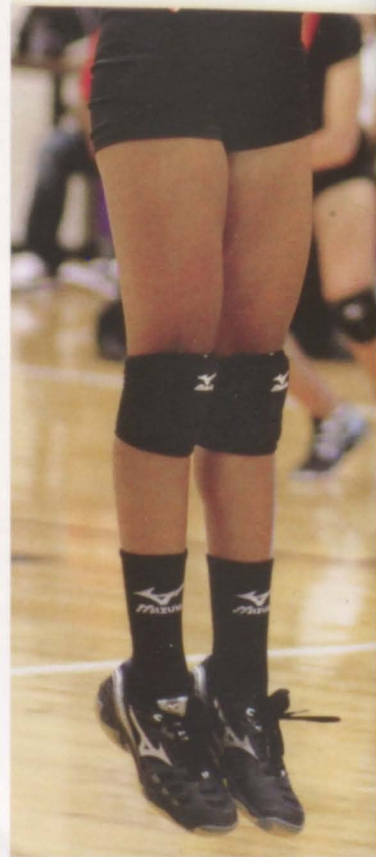
### [up and over]

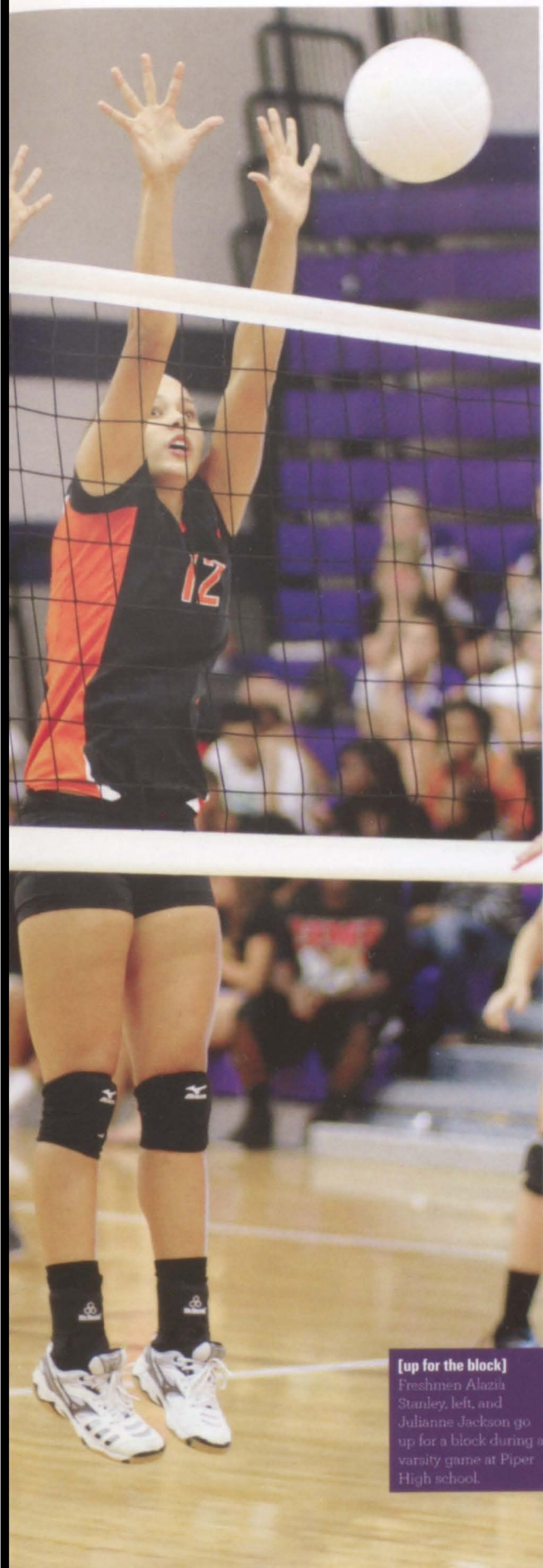
Sophomore Mikaela Bennett completes a cross-court hit while junior Mariah Seifert looks on. "I really enjoyed my first varsity season," Bennett said. "It was fun making new friends on the team."



### [down and ready]

Senior Cassady Holloway goes in for a pass during a home game against Bishop Ward. "Getting to show the underclassmen the ropes was one of the things I enjoyed the most," said Holloway, who had 277 digs, the most on the team.





**[up for the block]**  
Freshmen Alazia Stanley, left, and Julianne Jackson go up for a block during a varsity game at Piper High school.



"Winning the Wyco tournament was the highlight of my season. The conditioning and hard work paid off."

Shelbey Taylor [11]

# A NEW attitude

// kelsey wheeler

[Energetic new coach boosts volleyball team]

With experience at the collegiate level, new head coach Jan Madlock energized the volleyball program with her passion and expertise.

"Coach Madlock is amazing, and she really brought the intensity we needed," senior libero Cassady Holloway said. "She knows so much about every position, so there was never a time when she couldn't answer our questions."

Although the team got off to a slow start, they finished strong and won 10 of their last 12 matches.

"We finally got to the point where we displayed really good chemistry," Madlock said.

One of the team's most significant

victories came at Tonganoxie, where they battled back from a 2-1 deficit to win in five games.

"We hadn't beaten them in years, so it was a huge step forward and a nice reflection of our growth," Madlock said. "I think it helped the girls realize that their hard work was paying off. I was really proud of them."

Another highlight came at the Wyco Tournament where the Lady Braves played consistently all day to capture the title for the second year in a row.

Statistically, the Lady Braves were led by senior Haley Hoffine, who had 174 kills, and freshman Julianne Jackson, who had 22 solo blocks and 38 block assists.

## A reason to celebrate



**[one last time]**  
Haley Hoffine is escorted into the gym by her parents, Jerry and Kristi Hoffine during the Senior Night celebration. Each senior received a special gift from one of the underclassmen.

### ALLKVL

**First Team**  
Haley Hoffine  
Cassady Holloway

**Honorable Mention**  
Jene Williams

### Team Awards

**MVP**  
Haley Hoffine  
**Most Improved**  
Mikaela Bennett  
**Most Inspirational**  
Cassady Holloway  
**Spirit**  
Jene Williams

**[side to side]**

Junior Colin Barker tries to shake the defense during a home match with Tonganoxie. Barker led the team with the most shots on goal with 14.



**[up and over]**

Freshman Alexander Frank attempts to score against Heritage Christian Academy. Frank played in 16 games, five of them for the varsity team.



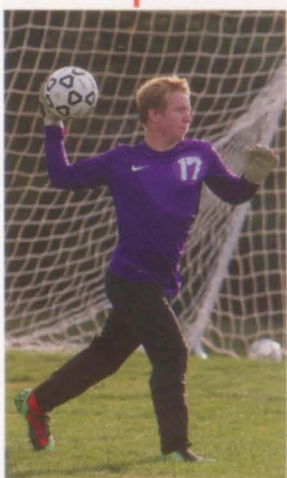
**[making a break]**

Junior Maison Patchett dribbles the ball in a home game against Piper. "By the end of the season we were flowing better as a team and moving the ball better," Patchett said.

**[taking aim]**

Sophomore Jacob Kraus passes the ball upfield during the final game of the season. "Regardless of the score, we gave it our all, and we never gave up," Kraus said.

## Stepping up to the pressure...



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Filling in for Brett Stuart was definitely intimidating and difficult because there were such high expectations, but I was excited to rise to the challenge.

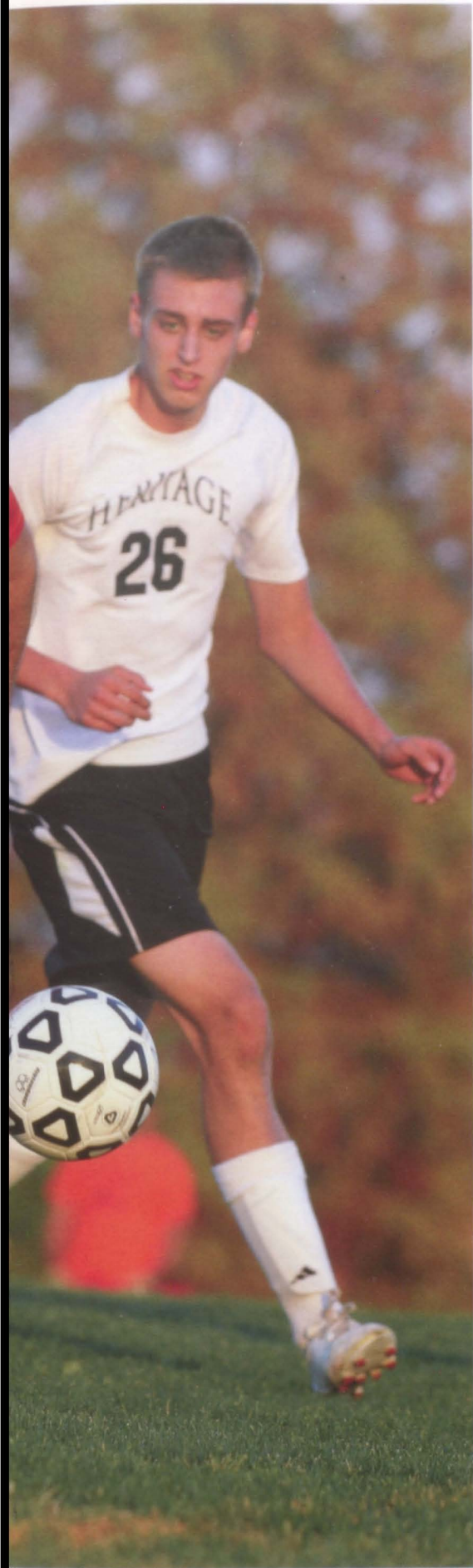
Dominic Salvino [11]

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**[looking to score]**

Senior Spencer Frank works the ball up field during the second round of sub-state. "I felt like I was a leader and helped the team when I came back from injury," Frank said.





"As a senior, there are a lot more responsibilities. I liked helping out the underclassmen."

Dante Crider [12]

# Setting NEW GOALS

// mikaela bennett

[Soccer team finds victories hard to come by]

Like the other fall sports teams, the boys soccer team experienced a year of youth after losing 12 varsity players to graduation.

Despite their inexperience, head coach Mike Moulin said the team and coaches remained focused and worked hard.

The squad also battled through numerous injuries, including the loss of senior leader Spencer Frank, who missed the first 11 games.

"Whenever you have a substantial amount of injuries to key players, it's

difficult to expect younger players to step up and provide the experience necessary to be successful," Moulin said.

Although the team finished with just one win, Moulin was upbeat.

"During the last six games, I watched the boys really mature as a soccer team," Moulin said.

Moulin said the leadership of Dante Crider, Robert Glenn, Maison Patchett, Austin Schuler, and Jacob Kraus was another bright spot for the team.

[Turf vs. Grass]



"I prefer turf because it's easier to pass the ball. The ball is smoother on that surface."

Nicholas Korosec [12]



"I prefer grass when it's nice and not clumpy because you can keep better control of the ball and kick it farther."

Quinton Schneck [11]

## ALLKVL

**Second Team**  
Spencer Frank  
Austin Schuler

**Honorable Mention**  
Jason Van Maren

## Jason Van Maren

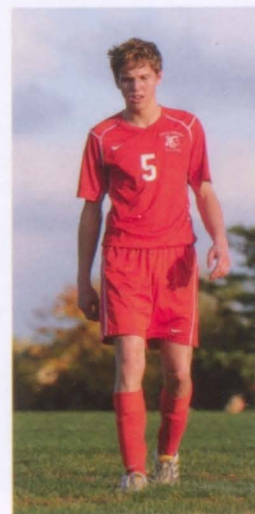
Senior Jason Van Maren earned not one, but two All-KVL honorable mentions in his final season as a Brave. Van Maren used his soccer experience on the gridiron, booting six extra points and three field goals, which tied the school record.

"I heard they needed a kicker, so I had nothing to lose by trying out," said Van Maren, who hadn't played football since his freshman year. "When it comes to kicking, I'm pretty confident. I just went out there and kicked the ball and tried not to overthink things."

Van Maren's most difficult kick came during the final minutes of the Piper game. The Braves were down three and needed a field goal to take the lead.

"I walked out there with a clear mind and didn't look at the crowd," said Van Maren of his 37-yard attempt. "When I looked at the goal posts they looked narrower than usual, so I tried to visualize them expanding and it worked because I made it. I was really excited afterwards."

Van Maren reflected on his two-sport experience with pride. "Soccer season wasn't the best, but being a successful kicker for the football team made my senior year more enjoyable," he said. "I just wish I would have tried out earlier."





"My first year of tennis went great. The best part was playing with my best friend."

Lilly Lackner [9]

# GETTING a grip

// aaron lewis

Young squad of 29 works hard to master a new sport.

After losing the majority of their varsity players, the girls' tennis team had to reboot and rebuild.

This season didn't just bring a new varsity squad, but a new assistant coach, B.J. Congleton.

"Coach Congleton was a godsend. He will really help us from here on out and someday take over the program," head coach Bill Scott said.

Like the year before, Coach Scott faced the challenge of a big squad with 13 first-year players on a team of 29. To help with the many newbies, Scott called upon varsity boys' player senior Aaron Lewis to be the team manager.

"Coach Congleton and Aaron ran drills with the newer players,

and our practices were spent more on teaching them the stokes and getting their technique up to par," Scott said.

To provide additional leadership, senior Samantha Ricci-Weller and junior Hannah Hunt were chosen as captains by their teammates

Scott's young team performed its best at their home invitational where they were led by Ricci-Weller and freshman Alexis Tendick, who placed first in No. 2 doubles.

While medals were tough to come by, Scott said that one of the team's strengths was how nice they were to each other and their opponents.

"They had some of the best sportsmanship I've seen," Scott said.

## what's the Scoop?

[regionals]

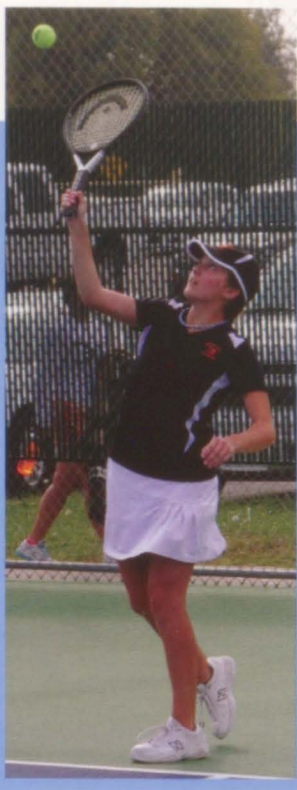
Only six girls get the opportunity to go to regionals. This year, seniors Samantha Ricci-Weller and Micaela Reed, juniors Hannah Hunt and Kayla McPherson, sophomore Cassie Stock and freshman Alexis Tendick made the trip.

The pride that comes with representing your school at the regional level wasn't just reality but a long-awaited goal for Micaela Reed, shown right.

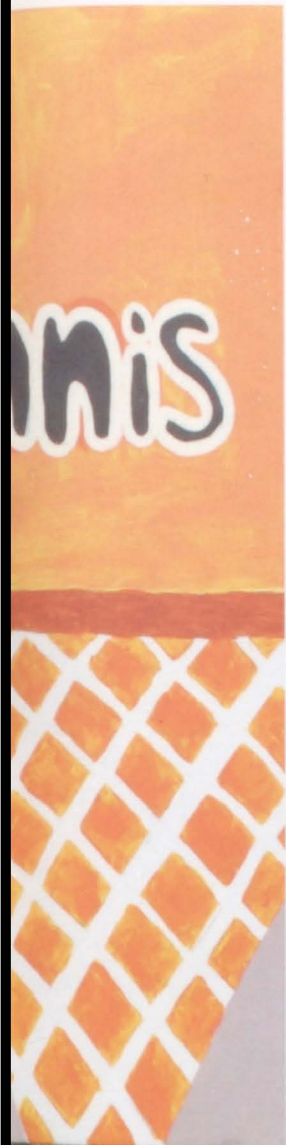
"For me, regionals was a far away dream because I didn't think that I was good enough yet," said Reed, who opened the day with a 9-0 first-round victory over Sumner. "I had a great experience."

A fantastic day of tennis was made even better with the sighting of a KU icon.

"After our matches in Baldwin, Coach Scott, Coach Congleton, Micaela Reed, Kayla McPherson and I went to Jefferson's on Massachusetts Street. We were seated next to KU men's basketball coach Bill Self and some new recruits. We were pretty starstruck. We tried to secretly take pictures, but that didn't work out so well," Ricci-Weller said.



[eyes on the ball] Sophomore Cassie Stock returns a serve at a home meet. "I thought all of our new players were very energetic and made it fun," Stock said.



**[serving with power]**  
 Junior Hannah Hunt hits her first serve attempt at a home meet against Summer Academy. "This year was fun but at the same time a little scary because I was the No. 1 singles player on the team. I got to play a lot of very good girls and that helped me to improve," said Hunt, who finished at 4-7. Hunt also played No. 1 doubles with senior Sammy Ricci-Weller, and the duo just missed a trip to state.

**[staying focused on the game]**  
 Senior Samantha Ricci-Weller returns a serve at a home meet. "I love the sport of tennis. It's fun and good exercise, and all the girls on the team are amazing. I just had a blast from start to finish," Weller said.



**[playing her best]**  
 Junior Kayla McPherson plays singles at a home invitational. "This was the first year that I played singles, so I was very excited," McPherson said.

**[waiting for the ball]**  
 Senior Rachael Jensen takes her aim before she serves. "My matches this year were harder, but going to practice and being able to goof off and play tennis was always fun," Jensen said.

## [My first season]



"I decided to do tennis this year because I thought it would be fun, and I wanted to try something new. My favorite memory would have to be our last match because I played my best and had a fun time with all my teammates."

**Brenna McQuitty [12]**



"I went out for tennis because I wanted to do a fall sport. It turned out to be a lot more fun than I thought it would be. I got a lot better as the season went on, and I'm definitely going to play all four years."

**Kynnedey Shepherd [9]**

## Alexus Tendick [9]



**How did you go from 13th to being the best freshman in one season?**  
 I thought I'd be a lot lower than I was, but I wanted it and played aggressively. I would practice a little outside and practice with my older sister, Bre, who would sometimes give me advice and coaching. By the end of the season, I was at No. 4 on the team.

**How was your experience at regionals?**  
 Regionals was fun. It was exciting to be with the other girls, but I was really nervous. I played doubles with Cassie Stock, and we had a great time. She always had my back and knew how to calm me down and tell me everything would be fine when I started to get upset with myself.

"A good memory from this season came when we played an away match against Bishop Miege on Aug. 28, my 17th birthday. I won twice and lost once, and we all went out to eat afterwards. It was a great bonding time with my junior varsity teammates and a good way to celebrate my birthday."

**Alex Carter [11]**



# Bigger is Better

// lauren murphy

[Team excited by larger squad and new coach]

When the varsity cheerleaders heard that their new assistant coach, Victoria Zonko, was a competitive cheer coach with K.C. Cheer, they weren't sure what to expect.

"She really pushed us," senior Taylor Coleman said. "As a result, we had better stunting and stricter practices."

Another change for the squad came in size. Instead of separate junior varsity and freshman squads, there was just one varsity squad of 21.

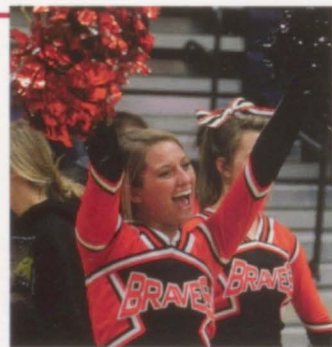
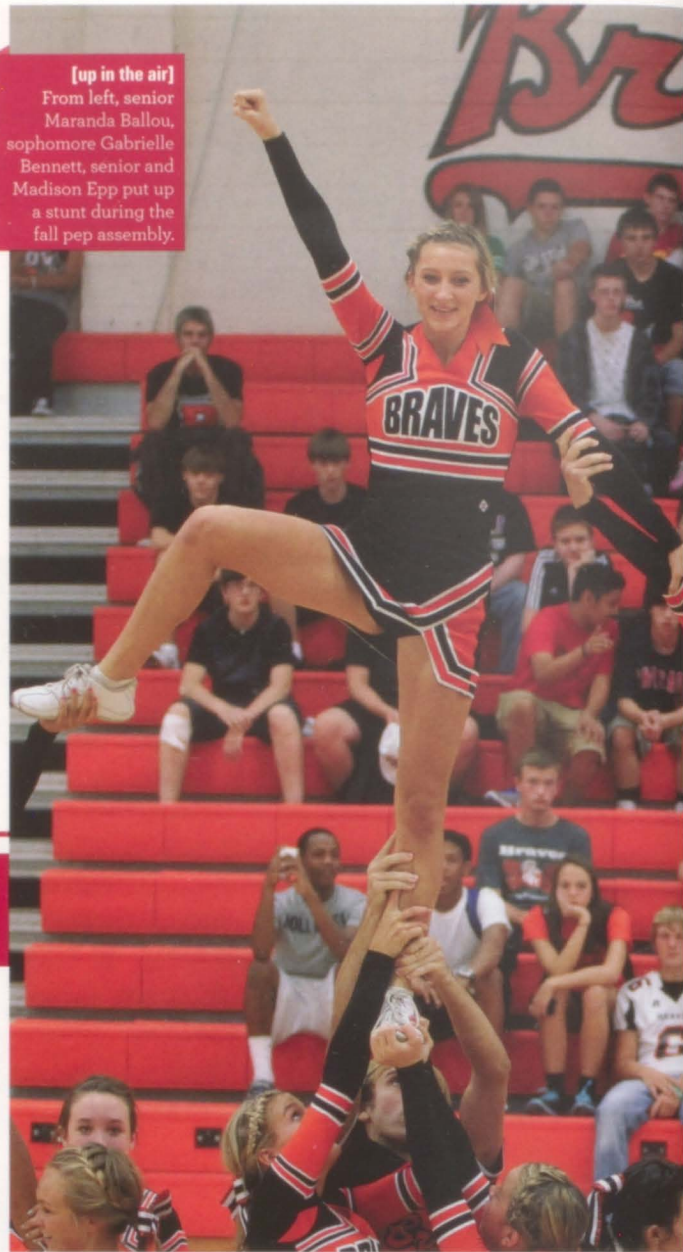
"Our bigger team allowed us to build bigger stunting pyramids," senior Madison Epp said. "It was a challenge

to teach everyone, and there was a lot of frustration along the way, but once we got it, it was awesome."

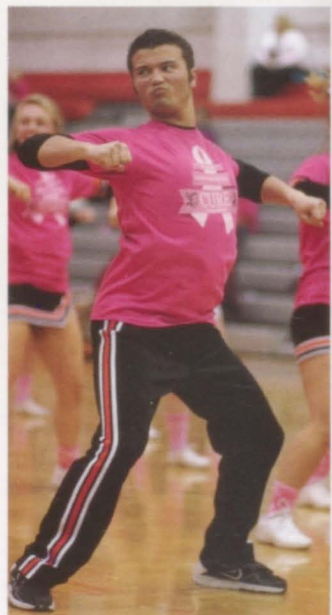
Throughout the year, cheerleaders always worked hard. From practicing in the summer to cheering in the fall and winter, they have a non-stop season until spring.

"We practiced a couple of days a week over the summer, went to camp at K-State in July, then started practicing again at the beginning of August," head coach Jennifer Schlicht said. "I don't think most people realize how much work goes into cheerleading."

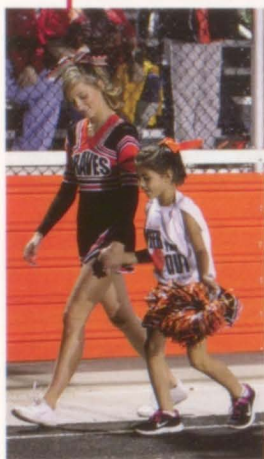
**[up in the air]**  
From left, senior Maranda Ballou, sophomore Gabrielle Bennett, senior and Madison Epp put up a stunt during the fall pep assembly.



**[enjoying the moment]**  
Senior Taylor Coleman cheers at an away basketball game. "I made a lot of great memories in cheer and I will miss my teammates," Coleman said.



**[with full emotion]**  
Senior Cord Cannon dances enthusiastically during halftime of the Bonner vs Turner "Coming Together for a Cure" game. "I will really miss stunting with the squad," Cannon said.

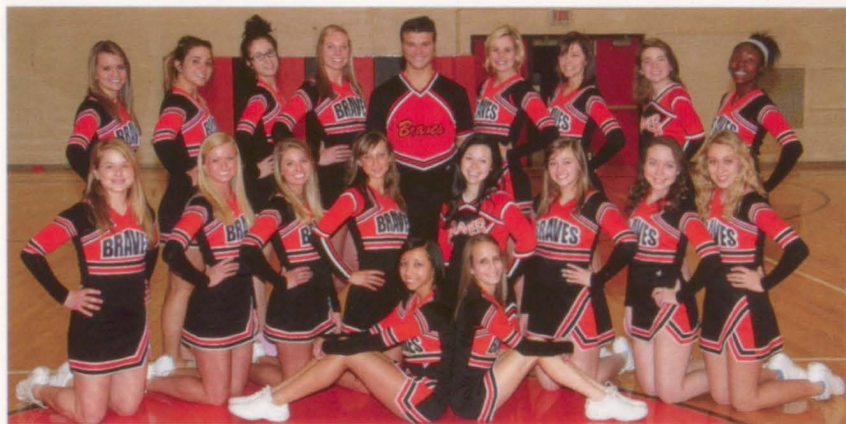


**[lending helping hands]**  
Senior Maranda Ballou gladly assists a little cheerleader during the game while Andrea Wiglesworth helps another participant with her bow.



## Little Cheerleaders

As always, the BSHS cheer squad had a night with the little cheerleaders. But this year it was a little different, with more than 100 participants at the Bonner vs Mill Valley game. "The girls were so much fun to work with and I loved seeing them cheer," Wiglesworth said.



Front Row: Paige Rowan, Baleigh Shearer. Row 2: Gabrielle Bennett, Madison Epp, Taylor Coleman, Maranda Ballou, Andrea Wiglesworth, Sumer Sprenkle, Michaela Augustine, Brianna Shively. Row 3: Kelsey Ballou-Lyngstad, Rachael Jensen, Caitlyn Khatchadourian, Brenna McQuitty, Cord Cannon, Hannah Hunt, Allie Mulich, Caroline Clark, Brajai Haskell. Not Pictured: Tylynn Glenn



"Cheerleading is a great way to show your school spirit and get involved with the crowd. I love it."

Caroline Clark [11]

## CHEER COMPETITION

This year's cheer squad encountered something new and different when they had the chance to experience the thrill of participating in a cheer competition at Olathe Northwest.

The assistant coach Victoria Zonko said that the opportunity was a motivator for the girls.

"They wanted to be just as clean and sharp as the big name schools that have 30 to 50 girls on their team," Zonko said. "They were able to really hold their own at the competition, and we got several compliments from other teams."

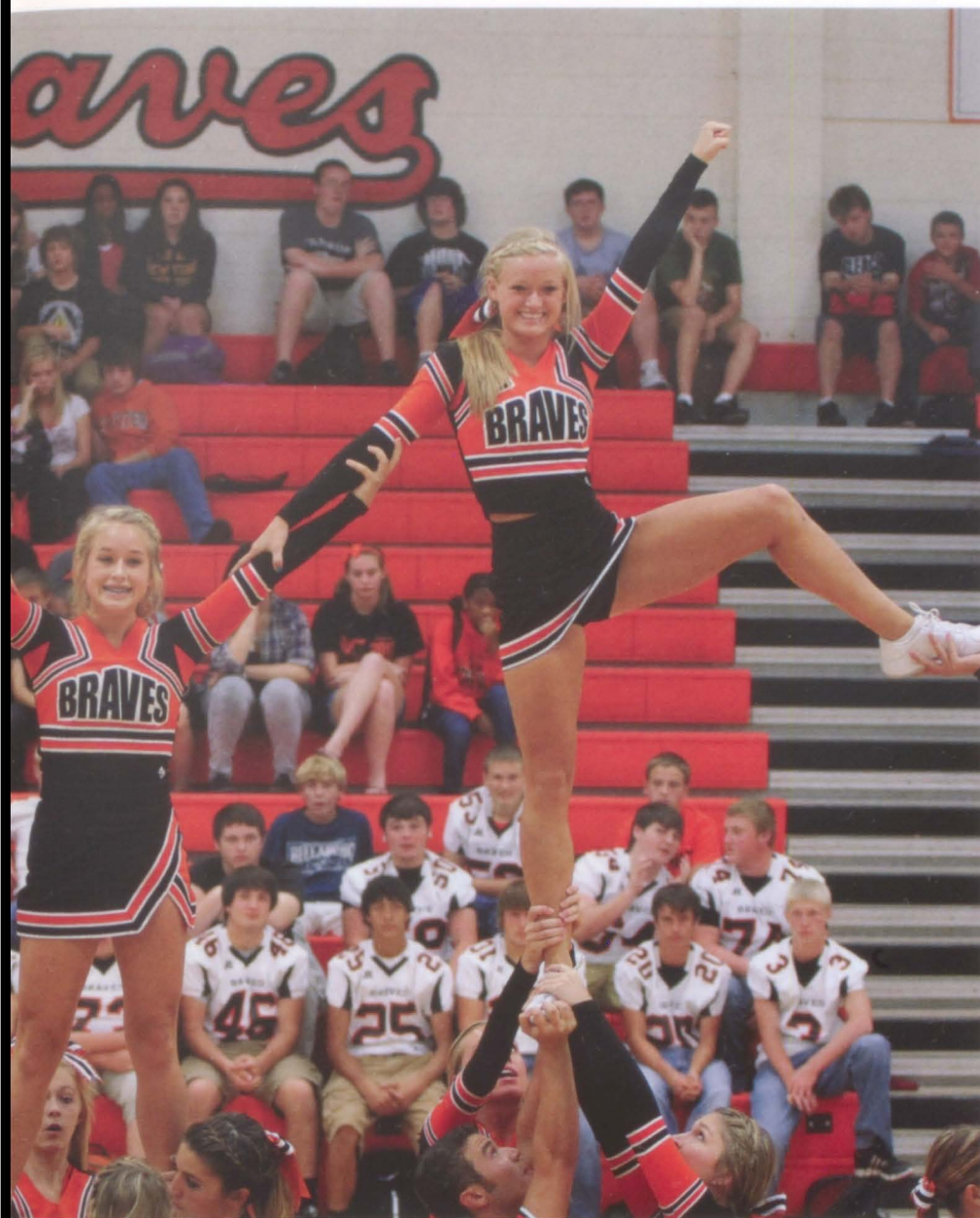


"My freshman year surprised me a lot because it was so different than middle school. I'm glad I did it because I learned a lot of new stunts."

Michaela Augustine [9]

"I couldn't have asked for a better group of people to cheer with my senior year. I've had so much fun with all of them, and I've made memories that will last forever."

Tylynn Glenn [12]



**[all together]**

Senior Rachael Jensen left, and sophomore Allie Mulich stay focused at a pep assembly. "We worked really hard; it helped that we had a new coach," Jensen said.

**[with great spirit]**

Freshman Sumer Sprenkle happily cheers at a basketball game. "The people were wonderful and our team worked well together," Sprenkle said.





"Dance team is a really good way to bond with different people and have once-in-a-lifetime experiences."

Airyanna Fox [10]

[think pink]

Sophomore Meranda Hull enjoys performing at home during the "Coming Together For a Cure" game.



Front Row: Lauren Culter, Maddy Kempf. Row 2: Brianna Robinette, Kortni Sanborn, Nicole Norris, Brittney Huffman, Samantha Joyce. Row 3: Madison Hurla, Alexandria Washburn, Breana Lynn, Airyana Fox. Not Pictured: Meranda Hull, Hailey Kendrick.

# Making it Count

// kelsey wheeler  
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[Orange Dazzlers enjoy jazzing up the crowd]

From hip-hop to jazz, the Orange Dazzlers do their best to entertain fans with a variety of dances.

This year's squad shifted gears on several levels. For starters, the team was smaller, featuring 12 dancers instead of 20.

"I loved the smaller team because it was easier to be closer," sophomore Samantha Joyce said. "We really came together."

Despite being smaller, the group had a large percentage of new members—including new business teacher Alisha Cobbins, who took over as sponsor in July.

"It was definitely a learning experience for me," Cobbins said. "It helped that the girls worked well together and considered each other

like family."

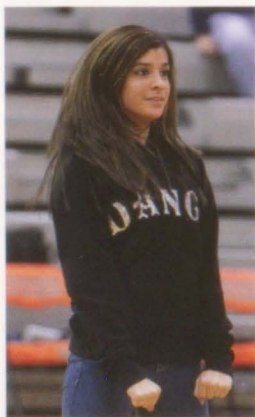
In the fall, the Dazzlers stayed busy performing with the band during halftime shows, and they also accompanied the band to marching festivals in Odessa, Mo., and Manhattan where they danced to "Times A' Wastin" as part of the jazz-themed "Bonner Swings" show.

However, junior captain Nicole Norris' favorite season is basketball season where the squad gets to do themed performances like the Guy-Girl and senior dances.

Norris said it was a real boost to have three seniors on this year's squad.

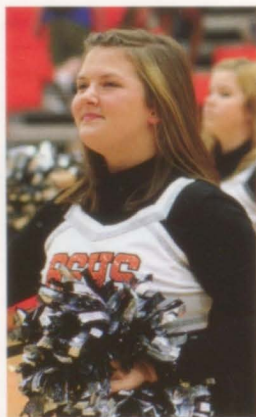
"We spent a lot of time together outside of class, and we made quite a few memories that made it really hard to see them go," Norris said.

[my senior season]



"My favorite part of senior year was getting to spend my last year of high school with great people I love."

Lauren Culter [12]



"I had a lot of fun my last year. The best part was the senior dance. I loved how the team came together."

Brittney Huffman [12]



"I loved my team; I grew a lot of bonds with all of the girls. I had a lot of fun my senior year."

Bre Lynn [12]



**[all smiles]**

Junior captain Nicole Norris performs at the winter pep assembly. "I love choreographing, teaching, and helping my team," Norris said.

**[showing her jazz hands]**

Junior Madison Hurla performs with the band during the halftime show at the Basehor game.

## Pink Out

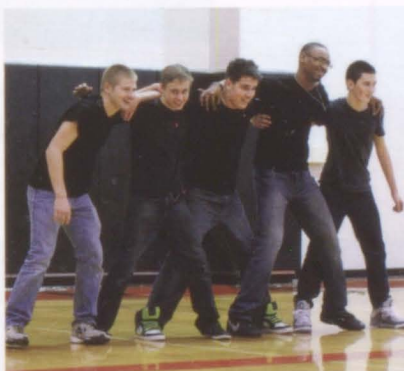
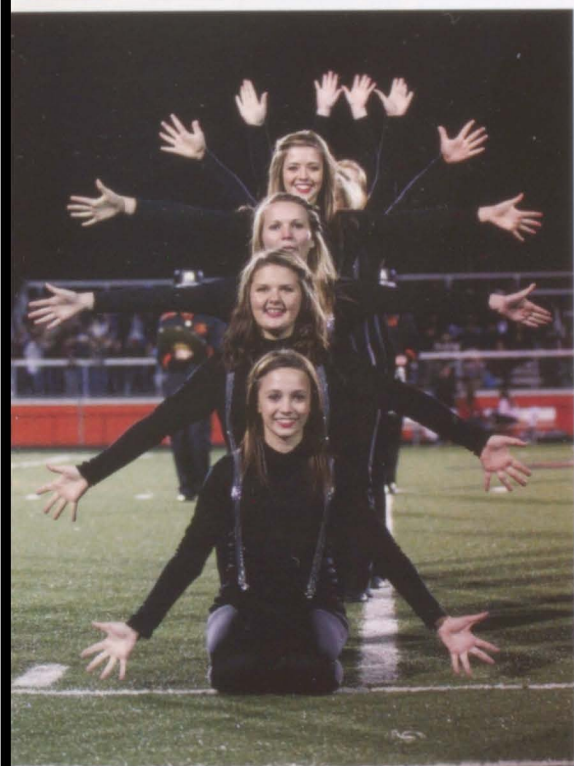


**[dancing for the cure]**

The Dazzlers get ready to kick up their heels with the Turner dance team at the Coming Together For a Cure game on Jan. 29.

"It was really fun working with the girls from Turner, being a bigger group looked better. We all came together for a great cause."

Brianna Robinette [11]

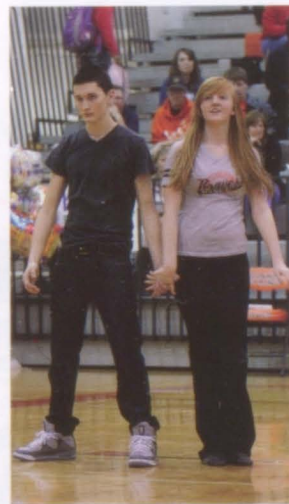


**[swaying to the music]**

Junior Austin Schuler, sophomore Josh Cabbage, junior Blake Dilley, senior T.J. Kimbrough-French, and junior Killian Clarke get ready to meet their partners as part of the Guy-Girl dance.

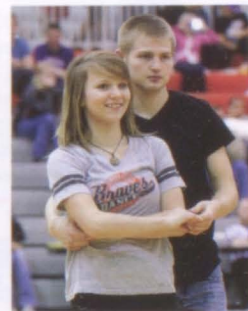
**[striking a pose]**

Sophomore Maddy Kempf and the Dazzlers perform to the jazz song "Times a Wastin'" during the halftime show against St. James. The Dazzlers wore hats and suspenders to represent the jazz theme.



**[prepping for the steps]**

Junior Killian Clarke and sophomore Alexandria Washburn prepare to dance together. "The hardest part was trying to get the guys comfortable enough to go all out," said Washburn. "At the end it was my favorite dance and it looked great."



**[dancing together]**

Junior Austin Schuler and Kortni Sanborn enjoy their time in the spotlight while performing to a mash-up that included everything from Justin Bieber's "As Long as You Love Me" to Destiny's Child's "Breath."





**[flying like phelps]**  
 Junior Dakota Nason swims the 200 IM at the Bonner Invitational. "This year went pretty well," Nason said. "I ended up breaking two of my personal records."

# MAKING <sup>[a]</sup> Splash

// aaron lewis

[Young squad goes from rock bottom to a fine finish]

Starting the season with not only a new coach, but a large number of fresh faces to the sport of swimming, the boys' swim team was ready to hit the blocks.

With Preston Williams now at the helm, the Braves were set on a track of learning and getting better.

By January, the improvements were starting to show and the squad finished second at the WYCO invitational, winning many medals.

Along with their improvements as athletes, the team displayed honorable traits outside of the water.

"One of our strengths would be character. They were just a really good group of kids," Williams said. "Everyone from our fastest swimmer to our slowest

just treated everyone else really well—like friends with a lot of respect. Character was definitely our strength as a team."

The highlight of the season was a surprise trip to Topeka where the 200-yard freestyle relay team of Thomas Hook, Jacob Kraus, Jack Klingele, and Skyler Lucas earned the right to compete at state.

The team qualified for state in their final meet of the season and when all was said and done, they shaved off four seconds from their previous best time to clock in at 1:42.49 and move from 32nd place to 27th place. Unfortunately, that wasn't enough to get the team to the finals.

"State went awesome. It was really cool. I was extremely proud of how they swam," Williams said.

[Freestyle vs. Breaststroke]



"I prefer the breaststroke because its pretty easy to do, and you get to breathe more often."  
 Odin Hart [9]



"I prefer the freestyle because it's a simple stroke and it's faster than the other stokes."  
 Ramon Arzabala [9]

"I've been swimming for two years, so I decided to give it a shot in high school. My favorite event to do is the 200 IM because I like all the strokes equally. My favorite memories came at the end of meets where we all felt accomplished and relaxed."

Griffin Mareske [9]





**[keeping his cool]**  
Senior Justus Seaton attempts to pin his opponent in the finals of the Bobcat Classic.

# A SEASON OF TRIUMPHS

// mariah seifert

[Wrestling team continues to find success]

The Braves wrestling team had yet another successful season under head coach Brandon Jobe.

The team took home hardware from every meet except for two.

The senior-heavy team was led by seniors Jonathan Blackwell, Aaron Puckett, and Justus Seaton. The seniors this year were a special group to Jobe because they were the first to be with Jobe for all four years of their high school wrestling careers.

"I think we have the most qualified coaching staff in the state," senior Aaron Puckett said. "They pushed me to do better and

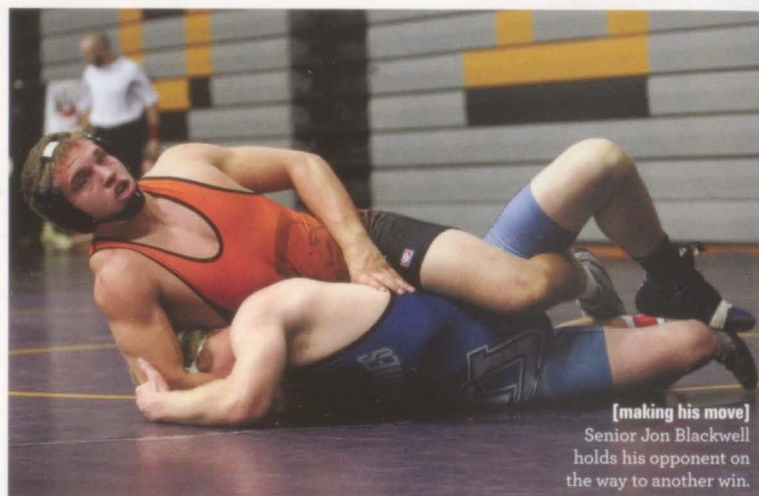
to work harder."

The Braves put a lot of work in at their practices, so their efforts would show in meets.

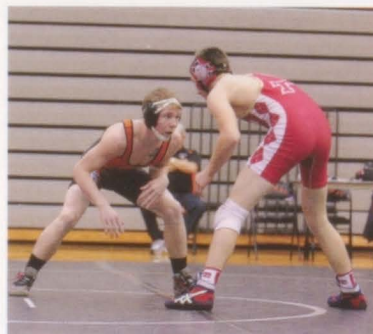
"Our practices are harder than any tournament," Jobe said. "This year's team is the hardest-working group I've ever had. They came in and busted their butts every day."

Team highlights included two dominating wins against KVL rivals Basehor and Piper to start the season and a second-place finish at regionals.

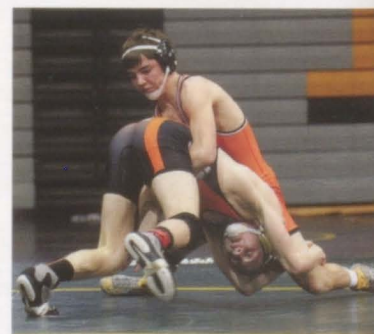
However, the biggest highlight came when the team finished fifth at the state tournament in Salina.



**[making his move]**  
Senior Jon Blackwell holds his opponent on the way to another win.



**[thinking ahead]**  
Junior Dominic Salvino anticipates his next move at a home dual. "Wrestling at the varsity level was a challenge. I had to work hard to keep my spot," Salvino said.



**[taking aim]**  
Senior Coltin Bulkeley goes for a single leg shot against his opponent at the Bobcat Classic. Bulkeley finished with a record of 11-12.

# MEN [on a] MISSION

[Two seniors bring home the gold]



"Our seniors finished their careers the right way. Two state champs and a fourth place will be tough to beat."

Coach Brandon Jobe



35-1  
Jon Blackwell's  
regular season  
record

148-20  
Jon Blackwell's  
high school  
career record

41-0  
Aaron Puckett's  
regular season  
record

141-9  
Aaron Puckett's  
high school  
career record



Seniors Aaron Puckett and Jonathan Blackwell finished their careers with outstanding records and state titles.

Senior Aaron Puckett went undefeated with a perfect record of 41-0.

"I only focused on one match, not the next match or my record," Puckett said.

Taking fourth, third, and fourth in previous state competitions motivated Puckett to train harder and accomplish his goals.

"He was on a mission; he set goals for himself and no one was going to get in his way. He flat out dominated," head coach Brandon Jobe said.

Senior Jonathan Blackwell came out on top for the second time in his high school wrestling career. "He'd been there before, so it was nothing new, business as usual," Jobe said.

The best part of the state competition for Blackwell was sharing a championship with Puckett. The duo started wrestling together at the age of seven.

"It was a really special way to end our senior seasons," Blackwell said.

## UP FOR discussion



"I thought that I did pretty well for my senior year. I placed fourth, and it was the first time I got on the podium."

Justus Seaton [12]



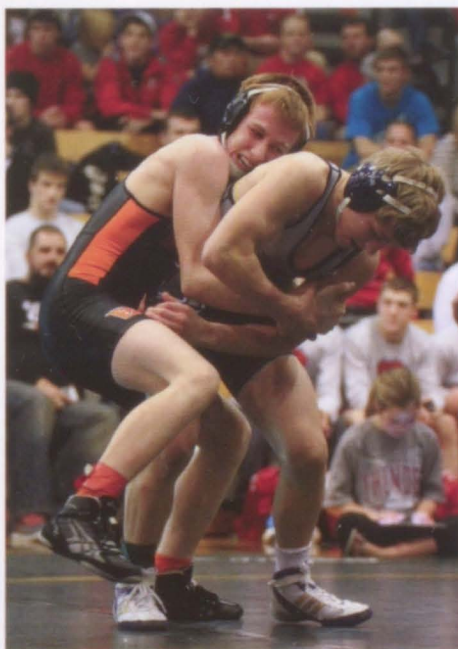
"I felt nervous, but ready. Overall, it was super fun. I feel like I could've done a lot better, but it made me want to get stronger for next year."

Dakota Ballard [10]



"I was nervous because it was my first trip to state. It was a good experience, and it made me want to work harder for next season."

Bryan Lanning [10]



## [a strong finish]

Q: What food do you miss the most during wrestling season?

A: Chinese food and fruit punch.

Q: How long have you been wrestling?

A: I have been wrestling for 11 years.

Q: How do you prepare for your matches?

A: I listen to classical music before a match because it calms me down.

Q: How do you feel about your state finish?

A: I feel good about my finish this year because last year I got fourth and moving up to second was a huge improvement. Next year I'm looking for gold.

Q: Do you believe that hard work pays off?

A: Yes, because freshman year I went into state thinking it would be easy and I finished 1-2. It was a real eye opener for me that I would have to work harder if I wanted to win.

Josiah Seaton [11]

# Building [a] LEGACY

// quinton schneck

[Lady Braves carry on winning ways to finish 17-4]

Even though the season didn't play out exactly as scripted, there were still plenty of positives for the girls basketball team.

"It was really good season," head coach Clay Oakes said of his 17-3 squad. "We didn't know what to expect because we only had two returning lettermen, but the younger players played a huge part in our success."

Winning the Top Gun tournament in December and placing second in the Kaw Valley League were just a few of the season highlights.

Another big moment came on the road when the Lady Braves took Mill Valley into overtime, just missing a share of the KVL title.

Leading the way for the Lady

Braves were seniors Anna Deegan and Haley Hoffine and freshman Julianne Jackson, who finished the season with 159 rebounds and 23 blocked shots, well on her way to breaking school records in both categories.

Unfortunately, the team fell short of its goal of returning to the state tournament, losing to Tonganoxie in the sub-state championship game 49-45 in overtime.

It was a bitter loss, but Oakes did his best to emphasize the big picture.

"The success we've experienced over the past two years has built a tradition in the program," he said. "Now the younger girls are excited for the day they get to wear a uniform for the Lady Braves."



[making noise]

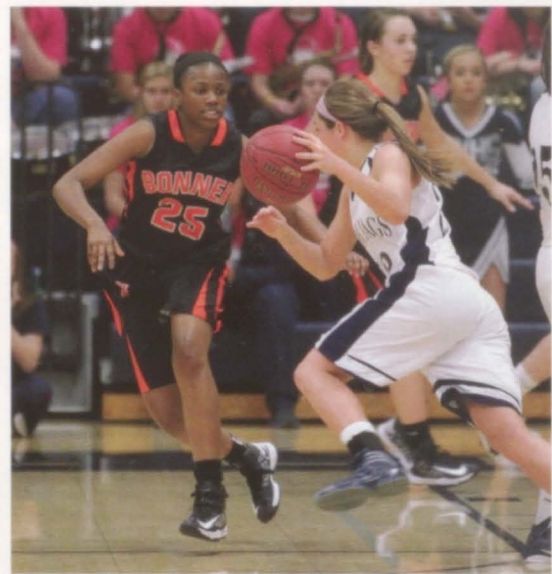
The varsity bench cheers on their team as the intense game against Mill Valley comes to its end. Even though they battled hard, the Lady Braves lost in overtime, 49-46.

[driving in]

Sophomore Kaleigh Taylor, below, stands strong as she tries to stop her Mill Valley opponent from scoring. Taylor averaged 6.1 points per game.

[driving in]

Junior Kennedy Bizzell tries to beat her defender and push to the basket in the team's first meeting with the Mill Valley Lady Jaguars.



## Anna Deegan [12]



After tearing her ACL during the spring soccer season, senior Anna Deegan faced some difficult challenges in her final season. "It took me seven months to recover, and it wasn't easy," she said. "But coming back made me realize that I can't take any minute on the court for granted."

The leading scorer with 297 points, Deegan said she was proud of the team's 17-4 season. "With only two returning varsity players, you can be a little nervous," she said. "But I thought we took the underdogs and will return next year are going to be amazing."

914

total career points scored

347

total career rebounds

139

total career steals

120

total career assists

27

total career blocks

total field goal percentage

40%



**[flying high]**  
Freshman Julianne Jackson tries to get a quick two points before the buzzer against Perry Lecompton. The Lady Braves went on to win, 66-35.

## ALL KVL

**First Team**  
Haley Hoffine  
Anna Deegan  
Julianne Jackson



"We were better because everyone was so close. We stayed focused on the court but had fun."

Allie Ledbetter [10]

## Haley Hoffine [12]



**What's the scoop on the Basehor buzzer-beater?** It was right before halftime and the time was running out, so I decided to throw up a shot, not thinking it would even have a chance of going in because of the distance. But it was headed towards the basket really straight and then it went in. I was extremely surprised and shocked that it even made it.

**What was it like playing in the SHUKC All-Star game?** The All-Star game was really fun. It was a little weird at first playing with girls you've played against since your freshman year, but we all had a good time and even became friends.

**What was your best career moment?** It would have to be the Piper game where I had 15 points, five assists, four steals, two rebounds, and one block.

**What was your best senior year memory?** Making all three free throws to tie up the Mill Valley game and take us into overtime.

**What will you miss?** Just being around the basketball girls. We were extremely close and I will miss them all a lot.

**How tough was the regional loss to Tonganoxie?** The season didn't exactly end how we had hoped, but I am still very proud of our team and all that we accomplished.

## Blowouts [versus] close games



Morgan Lawrence [11]

"Blowouts are fun because they're easy and allow you to try new things since you're not focused on the score. Plus, it makes you feel better about yourself."



Mikaela Bennett [11]

"I prefer close games because the game and the intense atmosphere are fun. If you win in the end, it's extremely rewarding, but if you lose it really stinks."

# MAKING [it] work [Basketball program works through inexperience]

// mikaela bennett

New coach. New team. New beginning. In his first season as the head varsity coach, Dan Streit had his work cut out for him after the loss of eight seniors.

"It was tough," Streit said. "We lacked a lot of varsity experience, but by the end of the season we were truly building team unity."

The Braves started the season with their debut at Paola in the pre-season tournament, placing second after losing 64-61 to the state-bound Piper Pirates.

"We had a promising start," Streit said, "but we started noticing some problems early on."

Coming out of January with a record of 7-9, the Braves were hungry for a win, and they found it against rivals Basehor-Linwood, edging them out by one point 43-42.

"Our best game was against Basehor," senior Brandon Moore said. "We had better defense that night."

It was the first time the Braves had knocked them off in seven years.

The Braves finished at 8-12 after losing to Tonganoxie in the first round of Sub-State, a game which Streit considered one of their best.

"They had to rely on each other, not just one person," Streit said.



"My favorite game was our home win against Basehor, because it was a huge, unexpected victory and no one on the team gave up. We had chemistry and played like a team for the first time. Everyone contributed and it paid off."

Anthony Kubas [11]

## ALL KVL

### First Team

Jordan Jackson

### Honorable Mention

Logan Terrell



[making his move]

Senior Tyler Howell works the ball inside the post during a home game against Piper. Howell finished the game with 13 rebounds and seven points.



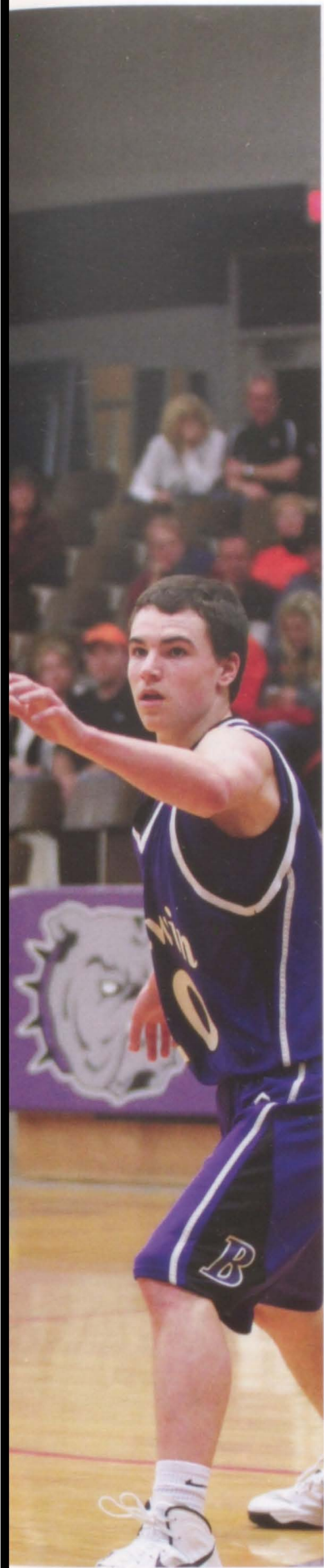
[faking out]

Senior Logan Terrell moves the ball in the championship game at the Baldwin tournament. Terrell finished the season averaging 49 percent from the field.



[pulling up]

Senior Brandon Moore shoots a three against Baldwin. "Our season didn't go as planned, but we stayed positive," Moore said.



**[kicking it out]**  
Junior Travis Dooley passes the ball to a teammate during an away game at Mill Valley. Dooley split time between the varsity and junior varsity squads.

**[taking it in]**

Junior Jordan Jackson drives to the basket in an away game against Piper. Jackson led the team in scoring with 121 points. "Jordan was a true leader on and off the court," coach Dan Streit said.

**[and one]**

Senior guard Jason Van Maren goes up for a lay-up during a 36-30 home victory against Bishop Ward. "Jason provided a needed spark for us at times that we didn't quite expect," coach Dan Streit said. "He really improved throughout the season."



"I put in hard work off the court and in practice so it would translate to the games."

Zshavon Dotson [11]



"Playing varsity was fun. I enjoyed it more than playing JV or freshman ball, and I wanted to get used to varsity to prepare myself for next year."

Brenden Dotson [10]

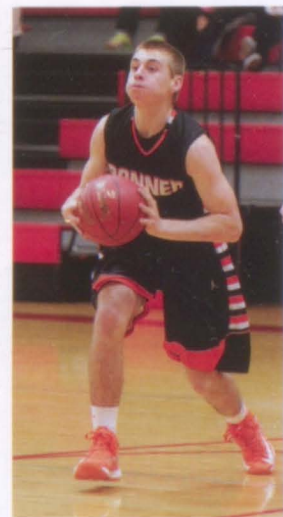


**[talking strategy]**

Coach Anthony Brown talks with the freshman team about their next move at a home game. "My most memorable game was against Patton," said leading scorer Antonio Roark, "we won by 74."

**[getting some varsity time]**

Freshman Connor Byers makes a pass in his first taste of varsity action during a sub-state game against Tonganoxie.



## Freshmen post 16-1 record

With a record of 16-1, the freshman team gave the boys basketball program high hopes for the future.

"Knowing they had a good record in eighth grade, we thought they would be successful," head coach Dan Streit said.

The freshman Braves fulfilled the expectations set for them by first-year coach and former Brave Anthony Brown by winning their home tournament.

"I think the camaraderie of the team made them so successful," Coach Brown said, "They've been playing together for three years, and when you've done that, they've been playing together and how each other might play."

Their only loss came from a close game at Mill Valley.

"If they stay together, they can do a lot of great things for the Bonner program," Brown said.

# Growing

// tessa newberry

# TOGETHER

[Long-time teammates enjoy playing on varsity team]

This was the season girls soccer head coach Mike Moulin was waiting for. The long-anticipated reunion of players he had coached in youth leagues finally joining his high school team.

"It was exciting because this was a very talented group," Moulin said. "This was the first year we didn't have to focus on fundamentals because so many of the girls had the prior knowledge coming in. It was great to see them use their skills now on one team."

There were, however, plenty of growing pains as the new and returning players learned to play together.

The Lady Braves opened the season at home against Shawnee Heights with four underclassmen in the starting lineup.

Even though they lost 3-0 there were still plenty of positives.

"We got beat by this team 7-0 last year, but they couldn't beat our defense this year. I'll take 3-0 to 7-0 any day. We were surprised that we competed so well in our first game," junior Bailey Hightower said.

Moulin also felt the girls played one of their best games in a 1-0 double-overtime loss to Topeka Seaman.

"We moved the ball offensively and defensively and really competed against a bigger school," he said.

"The whole season was a highlight," Moulin said. "It was exciting from start to finish and we were never out of any of the games we played."



## SISTER AND TEAMMATE

The Lady Braves soccer team featured two sets of sisters playing side by side in varsity games.

### Older Sisters



"My sister and I have been playing soccer together for six years. We are completely different players, but we share the same goal—to compete the best we can. Playing with Shelby gave our family the opportunity to enjoy watching us on the soccer field together."

Skyler Taylor [12]



"Finally being able to play with Miyah again is a relief. I've been waiting what seems like forever to be on the field with her. She knows exactly what I'm going to do before I do it. It's nice having someone like her who will work so hard for me despite how tired she is."

Bailey Hightower [11]

### Younger Sisters



"I've played soccer with my sister since I was in fourth grade, and I really enjoyed playing high school soccer with her. There's never been a time when I've had a hard time playing with her. It's nice playing with a sibling because that connection you have personally also have on the field."

Shelby Taylor [10]



"It's been a lot of fun. We're used to playing with each other in competitive leagues, and I don't like to play without her. She's taught me how to be a better player and not get down on myself. Sometimes I get annoyed with her but then I realize she's helping me and not just getting on to me."

Miyah Hightower [9]



[turning with the ball]

Senior Jessica Moulin shields her opponent off of the ball in an away game. "I enjoyed having a coach I was comfortable with, who just happened to be my dad," Moulin said. "The thing I enjoyed most about playing soccer is how much running you get to do."

## ALLKVL

### Second Team

Bailey Hightower  
Miyah Hightower  
Julianne Jackson

### Honorable Mention

Jessica Moulin



"I loved how well we played the first half of the Miege game. It was a reminder that we could play at that level."

Haley Hoffine [12]

### [bend it like Beckham]

Senior Anna Deegan takes a free kick in an away game. Deegan was the only left-footed kicker on the team and often had to leave her position as sweeper to take corners.



### [under control]

Sophomore Shelbey Taylor dribbles the ball up the field in a double overtime loss to Tonganoxie.



### [burst of speed]

Freshman Kennedy Bacon outruns another player to the ball in an away game. "I've been playing soccer since I was four. This year was different because everyone was a lot bigger and older than the girls I'm used to playing," Bacon said.



### [kicking back]

Clockwise from center, freshman Miyah Hightower kicks the ball around her opponent in the home opener against Shawnee Heights. "I was nervous for my first high school game, but you just start playing and forget about it," Hightower said. Sophomore utility player Jaytome Fratzel sprints after the ball in an away game against Piper. Junior Bailey Hightower plays the ball up field in an away game against Tonganoxie.



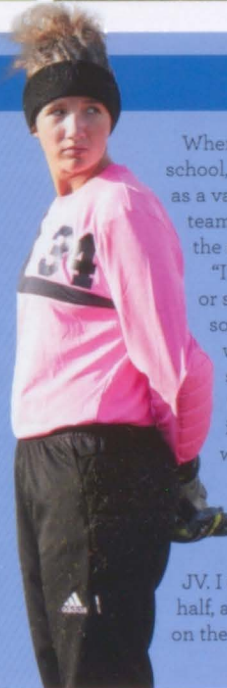
## Kennedy Bizzell [11]

When junior Kennedy Bizzell entered high school, she spent her spring afternoons playing as a varsity catcher for the Lady Braves softball team. The following year, however, Bizzell made the switch to soccer goalie.

"I'd been playing softball since I was in fifth or sixth grade, and I was just ready to try something new," said Bizzell. "The switch wasn't too hard because the positions are similar. It was a little tough to get to know the details of the game, though. In the end, it's a whole different game and in soccer I was the voice of the field, which was new."

Bizzell caught on quickly, earning the spot of varsity goalie just one year later.

"It was a goal of mine to become a varsity goalie. I didn't want to just stay at JV. I worked really hard over the last year and a half, and I really wanted to be the best I could be on the field," Bizzell said.



# EXCEEDING [every] Expectation

[Lady Braves qualify for state in multiple events]

With two school records falling at the season-opening meet at Topeka, coach Preston Williams knew his team poised for a strong season.

The team had a particularly good day at the Wyco Championships, where every swimmer on the team scored points, and freshman Robyn Lewis scored the maximum 18 individual points.

At the KVL championships a week later, the team tied for first to clinch a share of the title. The 200-yard freestyle relay team of Lewis, Cheyanne Miller, Lei'Onna Smith, and Madison Stumbough turned in a first-place effort and established a new league record at 1:56.37. Lewis was first in the butterfly and the 500 freestyle, establishing meet records in both events.

"Winning league was really huge,"

Williams said. "It meant a lot to me."

The Lady Braves continued their success into the post-season where they qualified for the state meet in multiple events.

The 400 freestyle team of Lewis, Miller, Smith, and Stumbough finished their preliminary round with a school-record time of 4:14.78, good enough to send them to the finals the next day where they placed 15th.

These same four swimmers teamed up to finish 20th in the 200 free relay with a school-record time of 1:54.28.

Individually, Lewis placed 23rd in the 100 butterfly and rounded out the Top 25 in the 500 freestyle. Miller and Smith competed in the 50 freestyle.

"As a first-year coach, I didn't know what to expect, but the girls did fantastic. Williams said. "I was extremely proud of this team."

**[pushing forward]**  
Sophomore Lei'Onna Smith swims the breaststroke in 1:25.12, just missing state consideration.



## Stephanie Rose [12]

**Q: When did you start swimming? Why do you enjoy the sport?**

**A:** I started swimming my sophomore year after Cheyanne Miller talked me into it. I always liked to swim and actually did pretty well considering my lack of experience.

**Q: What was your senior season highlight?**

**A:** Getting to swim the butterfly at state as part of the 200 medley relay.

**Q: How did you feel when you were at state?**

**A:** I was really nervous yet excited at the same time. I had a friend who came with me, and she helped to calm me down.

**Q: How did you incorporate swimming into your Senior Project?**

**A:** I coached the beginning swimmers on the Bonner Springs Dolphins summer recreation team. It was a great experience and made me want to become an elementary teacher.

**Q: What will you miss?**

**A:** The workouts and hanging out with my friends.



**[reaching back]**

Sophomore Madison Stumbough, above, swims the backstroke as part of the 200-yard medley relay at a home meet on April 10. Right, Stumbough cheers on her teammates before her leg of the 400-yard freestyle relay. "I think that my season went well. I had some difficulties but I beat some personal records, and I think I improved my overall strength and my strokes," Stumbough said.





"My first season of swimming was really exhausting; it was very different from any other sport I've done."

Morgan Lawrence [10]

## Rockin' ROBYN

[Lewis rewrites record books]

Based on her very impressive debut season, you'd never know that freshman Robyn Lewis once had no interest in swimming.

"Until fourth grade I hated it," Lewis said. "I'd go to the pool but I would never get in."

Once she hit the water, though, she was hooked.

After trying soccer, softball, and dance and not really liking any of those activities, Lewis was persuaded to give swimming a try by Dawn Jackson, mother of fellow freshman Julianne Jackson.

"Dawn knew that I hadn't really found a sport that I liked, so I have her to thank. If it wasn't for her, I would have never tried it."

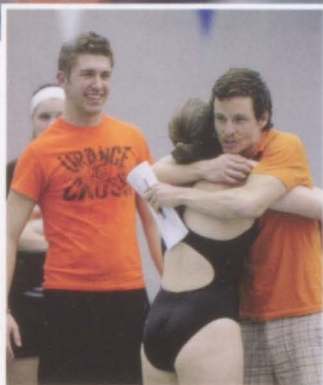
In her first high school season, Lewis broke the school records for the 200-yard freestyle (2:14.86) and 500 freestyle (6:04.50) and was a member of the record-breaking 200- and 400-yard freestyle relay teams.

Coach Preston Williams said that Lewis' success is a result of a tremendous work ethic.

"Robyn loves to work hard and she loves to compete," Williams said. "She will do anything to become a better swimmer."

### [super season]

Freshman Robyn Lewis swims the 100 butterfly at a home meet on April 8. Lewis' best time was 1:09.55, just .05 seconds away from the school record. *Far left*, Lewis and coach Preston Williams pump their fists after Lewis breaks the school record in the 500 freestyle. *Left*, Lewis receives a congratulations hug from Williams while manager Sklyer Lucas looks on.



## Cheyenne Miller [12]

Q: When did you start swimming? Why do you enjoy the sport?

A: At age eight, I started swimming with the Dolphins summer recreation team. I just wanted to try a new sport, and after I got into the water, I fell in love with it.

Q: Did you feel any add pressure in your role as co-captain?

A: I did feel a little pressure; I had to step up my game and make sure everyone else was doing their best.

Q: What was your senior season highlight?

A: When our 400-yard freestyle relay team made it to state and then finding out that we made it to finals.

Q: What did it mean to qualify for state?

A: It meant a lot. I worked my butt off to get those times and it felt good to get them.

Q: How did you feel when you were at state?

A: I was really nervous, but when I found out that we got 15th out of all the 400 free relay teams there, it was amazing.



### [ready, set, go]

Clockwise from center, sophomore Jessica Christensen awaits the start of a race at the season-opener in Topeka; junior Elizabeth Barger swims the freestyle at a home meet while new sophomore swimmer Amber Lies competes in the backstroke.



## [My newbie season]



"Tyler Jenkins and some other seniors talked me in to tennis. My season went great. I had a winning record and it was a blast. I hope I will do well next year and hopefully play a little varsity."

Tanner Shipman [10]



"Mr. Scott sent me a letter to 'recruit' me for tennis. I didn't think it would be fun, but I ended up liking it. I had the only winning record for singles and doubles on the whole team."

J.T. Johnson [10]

## [locked in with a backhand]

Junior Lusiano Fasani returns a serve during a singles match. "I worked really hard to make varsity. My favorite meet was the Leavenworth tournament where I played one of my best matches," Fasani said.



## [up and over]

Junior Andrew Conn serves at a home junior varsity meet. Conn finished the season 1-4 in singles and 6-10 in doubles. "The highlight of my season was winning the bronze medal in our home tournament," Conn said.



## [My senior season]

"This was one of my better seasons, and even though I didn't do as well as I wanted to, I still had a lot of fun. One of my goals was to make it to state, but when I realized I wasn't going to make it, I focused on making the most of the rest of the season."

Aaron Lewis [12]



## [stretching for the volley]

Junior Peter Jenkins returns the ball during a cold home meet. "I felt like my serves were on this year and I had a lot more confidence in my forehand," Jenkins said.

## [serve it up]

Senior Tyler Jenkins serves the ball during a home meet. Jenkins finished his final season with a 8-15 record overall.



## Quinton Schneck

Q: What was it like making it to state two years in a row?

A: It was unexpected because I didn't think I would make it back this year. Nothing seemed to work until Jack [Klinge] and I started playing together right before regionals. It was a nice surprise.

Q: How do you focus before a meet?

A: To stay focused, I don't think about tennis. I have to think about everyday things; it makes me less nervous and prepares me for the meet.

Q: What was your best stroke? What advantage do you have as a lefty?

A: My backhand is my most consistent shot because I have both hands on the racket, but my forehand is more powerful and accurate. Being left-handed has quite a few advantages. One of them being a good serve with spin because it bounces differently and throws off the opponent.

Q: How was your experience different from last year?

A: Jack and I lacked the needed experience to really do anything at state. We viewed ourselves as the underdogs and we just wanted to see what we could do.



## the Expression & the Shoes



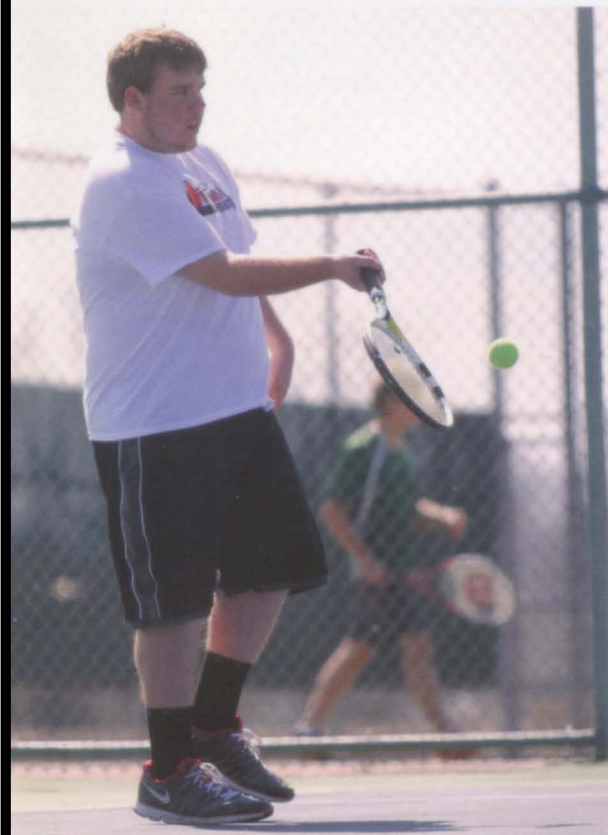
"I don't know why I make such weird faces. Everybody makes fun of me for doing it, and it just happens naturally when I play sports."



"While I was tennis shoe shopping with Peter Jenkins, I saw these and had to have them. They were around \$100 and one of the last summer edition pairs from the summer Olympics."



**[fully focused]**  
Junior Jack Klingele returns a serve at a home meet. Klingele posted a 10-10 record in doubles.



**[with the flick of the wrist]**

Senior Joe Arnett warms up before playing in a home meet. "One of my favorite matches was playing with Aaron Lewis at Lawrence High. They're a competitive school for us, and we won after almost a full hour of playing," Arnett said.

## A SEASON [of] shake-ups // mikaela bennett

[Team scrambles to find the perfect match]

With the loss of several key players from last year and constant rain early on, the boys tennis team had a year of switch-ups, rainouts and many indoor practices.

"We had four meets permanently cancelled," head coach Bill Scott said of his 68th season, "and that is a first."

The other obstacle the team encountered was the search for a doubles partner for last year's state qualifier Quinton Schneck, a junior.

"I tried Aaron [Lewis] at the start of the year, but realized that he was better suited to singles," Scott said.

After then trying Schneck's close friend Peter Jenkins and realizing

the he too was better suited for singles, Scott finally paired the unlikely duo of junior Jack Klingele and Schneck.

"They looked like the doubles team I was hoping for," Scott said. "One lefty, one righty, one tall, one short and quick, one mild-mannered, one fiery, one a leader, and one a follower," Scott said.

The pair knocked off the No. 2 seed at regionals to make it to the state tournament in Wichita, but their postseason was short-lived when they lost in the first round.

"It was a really fun year with a bunch of fun guys who all got along," Scott said.

# a stellar START

[Behind new coach, Braves qualify for state]

Before their first meet of the season, new coach Steve Miller had his team set some goals. Topping their list was a trip to state for the whole team, something that hadn't happened in decades.

"While some may have initially seen this as unrealistic, as soon as we saw our regional draw we knew we had a good chance," Miller said. "It was rewarding to meet that goal."

The Braves kicked off the season with a first-place finish at the Sunflower Classic in what Miller says was one of their best meets of the season.

"Everybody shot well and we finished with three in the top three. It set the tone for the rest of the season," Miller said.

The Braves would go on to place first at the Maur Hill Invitational and

to finish in the top four in every meet but the Mill Valley Invitational.

At regionals, the Braves captured the first-place trophy after edging Paola by two strokes. They were led by junior Marc McClain, who shot a 74 to place second, and by senior Tristan Abts, who fired a 76 and finished third.

At the state tournament in Chaney, McClain led the way again, shooting a 75, which was good for 11th place. Junior Jake Laing shot a 78 to tie with five other golfers and finished in the Top 25. Overall, the Braves placed ninth out of the 12 teams with a 332.

Rounding out the scores were Tristan Abts (80), Matt Call (99), Jason Van Maren (101), and Steven Greer (109).

[chip shot]

Junior Jake Lang hits the ball onto the green at the Sunflower Classic. "Jake's play the day of state was almost perfect all day," coach Steve Miller said.



[making history]

Front row: Jake Laing, coach Steve Miller, Jason Van Maren. Row 2: Marc McClain, Matt Call, Steven Greer, Tristan Abts. "No one seems to know how long it's been since we qualified as a team for state," Miller said. "This was huge for our program. It was a long-awaited goal."

# [a] COACH'S *perspective*

"Stevie continues to build his game. He broke 80 for the first-time this year in a practice round and shot a career low tournament score of 81 in a junior varsity tournament as well."

—Coach Steve Miller



Steven Greer [10]

"Jason was able to find his game this year and was a consistent contributor to the team."

—Coach Steve Miller



Jason Van Maren [12]



Matt Call [12]

"Matt was a baseball guy who picked up golf over the summer and decided to give it a shot. He played pretty decently all season, and his four-man score at state was huge."

—Coach Steve Miller

"Marc shot a 75 at state and was really consistent all day. His short game is his best and that really kept him rolling."

—Coach Steve Miller



Marc McClain [11]



Tristan Abts [12]

"Tristan was the guy everybody looked up to and wanted to play like. He did a great job of staying focused in his final high school season."

—Coach Steve Miller

# BUILDING <sup>[a]</sup> Program

[Speed on the base paths a bright spot for Braves]

Although the wins were hard to come by, the boys baseball team continued to build a strong foundation for second-year coach Scott Lero.

Speed and base-running were two of the team's strengths. Seniors Luis Gardea and Logan Terrell combined to swipe 41 bases, and Gardea finished as the Braves's all-time career base stealer.

"I wanted them to play fast," Lero said. "And they ran the bases well and played hard without me even saying this is how I wanted them to be. They definitely set the bar very high in terms of that."

Gardea was also the team's top hitter, finishing with a .436 average, while

Terrell batted .370.

Despite a 2-15 record, there were still plenty of highlights.

"Just knowing that we were capable of winning kept me positive," junior Darian Neal said. "Few teams actually beat us and in most of the games we beat ourselves, but all and all, I wouldn't want to play with any other group of guys."

Lero was appreciative of the efforts he got from seniors Gardea, Terrell, Tanner Clark, and Jon Blackwell.

"These seniors really meant a lot to this program," Lero said. "They completely bought into what we are trying to do. They have been good leaders with good work ethics."

by the [numbers]

42

career steals by Luis Gardea

26

senior season steals by Luis Gardea

29

career steals for Logan Terrell

15

senior season steals by Logan Terrell

## ALLKVL

First Team  
Luis Gardea  
Logan Terrell

Butch Foster  
All-Tourney Team  
Luis Gardea  
Logan Terrell



"I feel our record didn't show how much we improved, and we were a dangerous team when we all came together to play. I really enjoyed playing with these guys. I had a great senior season."

Logan Terrell [12]



"The resilience and dedication, from all the players this year will serve as an example for seasons to come. Bonner in baseball will be a Bonner in the future."

Tanner Clark [12]



"I have been playing baseball since I was five years old. I don't think we played our best this season. We would have done a lot better if we could have taken care of the ball."

Jeremy McDonnell [10]

**[quick hands]**

Sophomore second baseman Roman Glenn concentrates on fielding the ball cleanly in a home game against Eudora.



"What I love about baseball is getting the chance to make great plays and hit the ball."

Thaddeus Glenn [10]

**[throwing strong]**

Junior Darian Neal pitches in the first game of a double-header with Eudora. Neal pitched seven and struck out 12 in the Braves' 6-5 victory. "I felt like I improved a lot and added some miles per hour to my fastball," Neal said.



**Luis Gardea [12]**

**Q:** How did it feel to break the career steals record? When and where did you break the record?

**A:** It was a really nice feeling; I broke it at one of our games at T-Bones stadium.

**Q:** What made you such an effective base stealer?

**A:** I was aggressive and went with the mentality that no one could throw me out. It's all about getting good jumps and picking good pitches to run on.

**Q:** Your batting average went from .298 last year to .436 this year. How do you explain that increase?

**A:** Listening to Coach Lero, being more relaxed at the plate and widening my stance.

**Q:** How did you like your first season as the Braves' lead-off hitter?

**A:** I liked it because I knew it was my responsibility to get on base any way possible and to maybe steal a bag and score some runs. I knew I had to set the table, and I enjoyed that.

**Q:** What will you miss about high school baseball?

**A:** I'll miss my teammates, especially Logan Terrell. He was one of my best friends and someone I was very competitive with.



**[making contact]**

Junior shortstop Maison Patchett drives the ball in a home game against Eudora. "I thought the strength of our team was our ability to get better defensively," Patchett said.

**[hard and fast]**

Junior Tyler Hernandez aims for the strike zone in the first game of a double-header at Piper. "Tyler did a good job of keeping us close in games," head coach Scott Lero said.



**[double trouble]**

Freshman twins Katie Carpenter, above, and Annie Carpenter, played major roles for the Lady Braves in their first varsity seasons. An outfielder, Katie hit .328 and led the team in runs scored with 25. Annie pitched 40.1 innings with 19 strikeouts. "I thought it was nerve-racking at first, but I like to pitch and learn different pitches," Annie said.



**[safe at third]**

Senior Cassidy Holloway slides in ahead of the tag in a game against Bishop Ward. Holloway, shown right at Senior Night, was a four-year letterman and hit .333 in her final season.



## An Early End



"Being able to play on varsity made me feel better about myself and I really enjoyed the opportunity. Unfortunately, my season didn't play out exactly as planned. At one of our outdoors practices, we were playing our positions and doing front toss when Geena Harris hit the ball hard, striking me in the hand. I shook it off, let my hand settle a bit, and then went back to practice. It was my 15th birthday, and I wasn't about to let anything dampen my mood. By the Turner tournament it was starting to hurt, so I finally went to the doctor. He said I had chipped a bone and that the chip had developed into a fracture. I was out for four to six weeks, and I was so disappointed because I couldn't play in regions. I know how important those games are."

Brandy Brouhard [9]



**[making contact]**

Freshman Morgan Reed sends the ball into play at a home game. Reed had 17 hits and a .405 batting average in her first season for the Lady Braves.

**[in a rare pitching appearance]**

Sophomore Mikaela Bennett aims for a strike in a game against Washington. Bennett was one of the team's top offensive players, hitting .385 with 17 RBIs.



**[swinging hard]**

Freshman Alexis Tendick drives the ball in a home game. Tendick hit .300 and drove in 12 runs for the Lady Braves.



**[rounding third]**

Head coach Dennis Chowning sends junior Mikayla Ussery home in the first game of a doubleheader against Bishop Ward. The Lady Braves swept the Cyclones, 16-3, 13-3.

**ALLKVL**  
**First Team**  
 Geena Harris  
**Second Team**  
 Cassidy Holloway



**[my senior season]**

**Q: What were your goals?**  
 A: To keep a positive attitude, to encourage all of my teammates and to make first-team all-KVL.  
**Q: What do you think about when you pitch?**  
 A: I try to focus on the weaknesses of the batter. Their weaknesses determine what pitch I throw.  
**Q: What was the best game of the season?**  
 A: The Basehor game during regionals, mainly because they were saying that they were going to beat us and that we were no competition. For us to come out with a win was huge.  
**Q: What's your favorite pitch?**  
 A: My curveball. It took me two months to master it, and I usually throw it when I'm aiming for a strikeout.  
**Q: What's your favorite non-pitching position?**  
 A: Third base because it seems like everything comes to that base. It's kind of an adrenaline rush because you never know what to expect.

Geena Harris [12]



"I enjoyed getting to spend time with all the girls on the team. Becoming so close was my best memory."

Hannah Fehlhafer [11]

# Swinging for Victory

// kelsey wheeler

[Young team grows together to finish strong at regionals]

With five freshmen in the starting lineup, head softball coach Denise Chowning knew there would be growing pains for her young team. It would take some time for her new players to adjust to the next level.

"We had seven errors in the field in our season-opener and zero errors by the first round of regionals," Chowning said. "Their confidence really grew as they became more experienced and played together."

Although Chowning's young squad lost their first six games, they began to come together at the Turner Invitational, where they finished second and beat St. James Academy 1-0 in one of their best games of the year. That victory, Chowning said, set the tone

for a strong end-of-the-season finish.

In the opening round of regional play, the Lady Braves routed Tonagnoxie 18-3 to set up a showdown with Basehor, a team that had already beaten them twice.

The Lady Braves jumped off to a 5-1 lead but Basehor tied the game in the fourth inning. The Lady Braves battled back with a four-run sixth inning to win 9-5.

"It had been several years since we had beaten Basehor," Chowning said. "To knock them off in regionals was huge."

In the next round the Lady Braves lost 10-0 to DeSoto, the eventual state champion. Offensively, senior Geena Harris led the team with a .533 batting average and 17 RBIs.

**[focusing on the finish line]**

Junior Tre Scott runs the 300-meter hurdles at the Basehor Relays. "My technique is far from the best but I make up for it with my speed," Scott said.

**[making their move]**

Senior Maranda Ballou and freshman Taylor Vanden Hull compete together in the 3200-meter race at the Bonner Springs Invitational. Ballou was third with a time of 14:33.90.



# BREAKING OUT

// maria seifert

## [Introducing new head coach Rob Marriott]

Despite an unusually cold spring, and the setbacks that came along with it, the track team prospered under Rob Marriott as he settled into his new position as head coach.

"It's been a little different being the head coach. I'm still getting-used to other coaches asking if something is okay to do," Marriott said.

Like most spring coaches, Marriott was frustrated with the weather.

"It kept us from doing our technical events [hurdles, jumps, handoffs] for most of the first two months. We even had to shovel snow from the track, so we could run," Marriott said.

By the end of the season there were plenty of highlights and two triple jumpers, an open 800 runner, and a 4x800 relay team made the trip to the state meet in Wichita.

The 4x800 team of seniors T.J. Kimbrough-French and Brandon Moore and juniors Austin Schuler and Tre Scott placed seventh at state with an outstanding time of 8:15.44.

"I have always preferred to do relays and help my team out. It's better to have four people come home with a medal, rather than just one," Schuler said.

Schuler placed 11th in the open 800 meters with a time of 2:04.84.

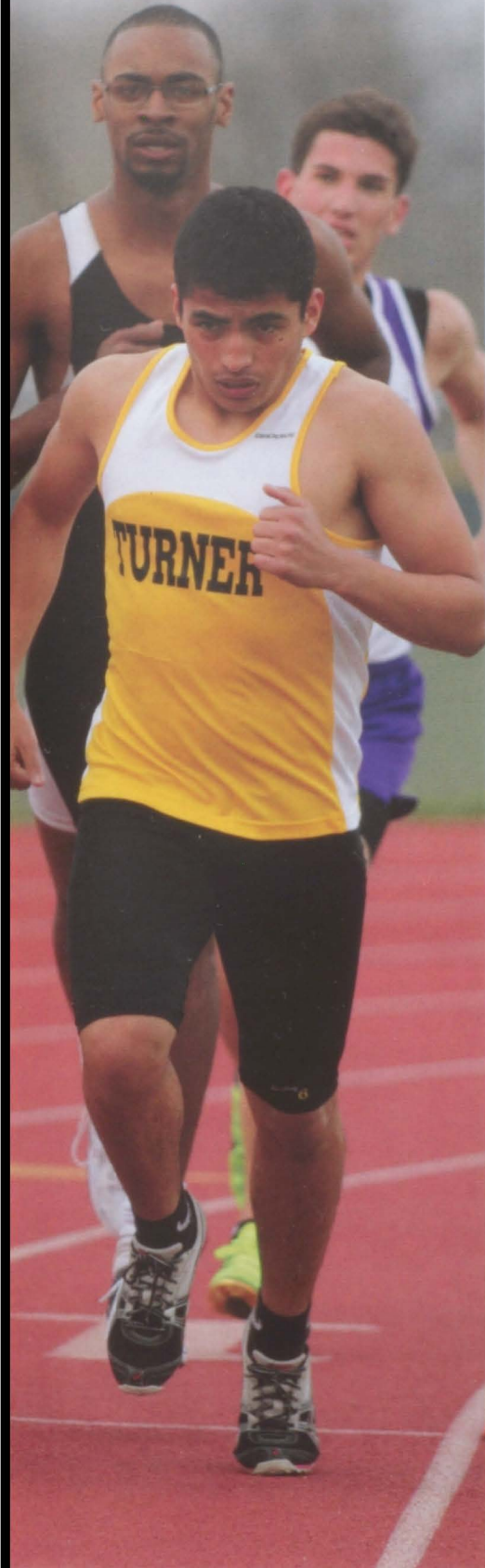
Marriott said junior Kyle Dumler had a huge year but was victim of a tough regional. Dumler was throwing 50-plus feet in shot put and over 150 feet in discus throughout his season.

Junior hurdler Travis Dooley had his personal record for the year at regionals, but was one place short from qualifying for state.



**[one step at a time]**

Junior Austin Schuler and senior T.J. Kimbrough-French run the 1600 meters at Basehor where they finished first and third, respectively.



Jordan Jackson



Anthony Kubas



"Track started off weird with the weather forcing us to be inside all the time."

Travis Dooley[11]

# DOUBLE trouble

[Two juniors find place on the podium]

Juniors Anthony Kubas and Jordan Jackson continued to dominate in the triple jump for the boys' track team.

The duo had a great meet at the Basehor Relays where Jackson placed first with a jump of 41-09.5 and Kubas took third with a leap of 41-04.5.

The odd weather conditions delayed a lot of outdoor practices for the jumpers, but they remained strong in their events.

By the end of the season at regionals, Jackson was second with a jump of 42-03.75 and Kubas was third at 41-07. This allowed the pair to qualify for the Class 4A state track meet in Wichita.

Kubas and Jackson went into the biggest meet of the season with high hopes of making it on to the podium and the two met their goal at the end of the day.

Kubas placed fourth with a jump of 43-08.75.

"I had a fun season and it was great ending it on a positive note. I was really happy for Jordan, and I was glad that we got to share the experience together. Hopefully we can do it again next year."

Jackson placed sixth with a jump of 43-07.5.

"It was a great way to end the season. I beat my personal record by a foot and a half and that gets me excited and motivated for next track season," Jackson said.

The jumpers were a huge part of the team and their success.

"We are very strong in the jumps. The coach meet showed that," head coach Rob Marriott said.

The two have made huge leaps and bounds since last year where Kubas placed sixth and Jackson placed tenth at state.



**[up and over]**

Sophomore Jonah Freese, the lone boys' high jumper, clears the bar at the Bonner Invitational where he finished fifth.

**[in flight]**

Sophomore Kayleigh Taylor competes in the long jump at the home invitational.

**[staying strong]**

Senior Brandon Moore leads the 4x800 meter relay at the Bonner Invitational. In his first season of track, Moore went to state and made it onto the podium with his fellow 4x800 teammates.



## [Girls Tennis]

**Front Row:** Krista Owens, Taylor Coleman, Rachael Jensen, Kayla Horn, Brenna McQuitty, Baby Ellie Congelton, Kayla Fratzel, Micaela Reed, Samantha Ricci-Weller, Allie Crane, manager Aaron Lewis. **Row 2:** Alexis Duncan, Kayla McPherson, Cassie Stock, Citally Hunt, Alex Alvarado, Hannah Fernandez, Elizabeth Carter, Elizabeth Barger, Kayla Greer, Jessica Christensen, Zoe Lofton, head coach Bill Scott. **Row 3:** Rachel Johnson, Itzel Soto, Kynnedey Shepherd, Kelsey Ballou-Lyngstad, Caroline Clark, Kemberly Sanchez, Emily Beach, Heidi Rodgers, Alexus Tendick, Lillian Lackner.



## [Cross Country]

**Front Row:** Kennedy Bacon, Tessa Newberry, Rachel Barber, Megan McCullough, Eleanor Lynch, Kristina Holgerson. **Row 2:** Tanya Hernandez, Faith Seaton, Lilly Eickhoff, Taylor Vanden Hull, Maranda Ballou, Hannah Wenzel, Destini Colvin, Addison Tolliver, Andrea Wiglesworth, manager Alex Martinez. **Row 3:** Boys head coach Bill Downing, Tre Scott, Austin Schuler, Jake Wenzel, Bobby Crowley, Rodrigo Fernandez Alvarado, Joe Casteel, Zachary Quigley, Ramon Arzabala, head girls coach Robert Marriot. **Row 4:** Peter Jenkins, Isaac Blott, Elliott Nickell, T.J. Kimbrough-French, D.J. Simpson, Dennis McDaniel, Thomas Hook, Nicholas Casteel.



## [Boys Soccer]

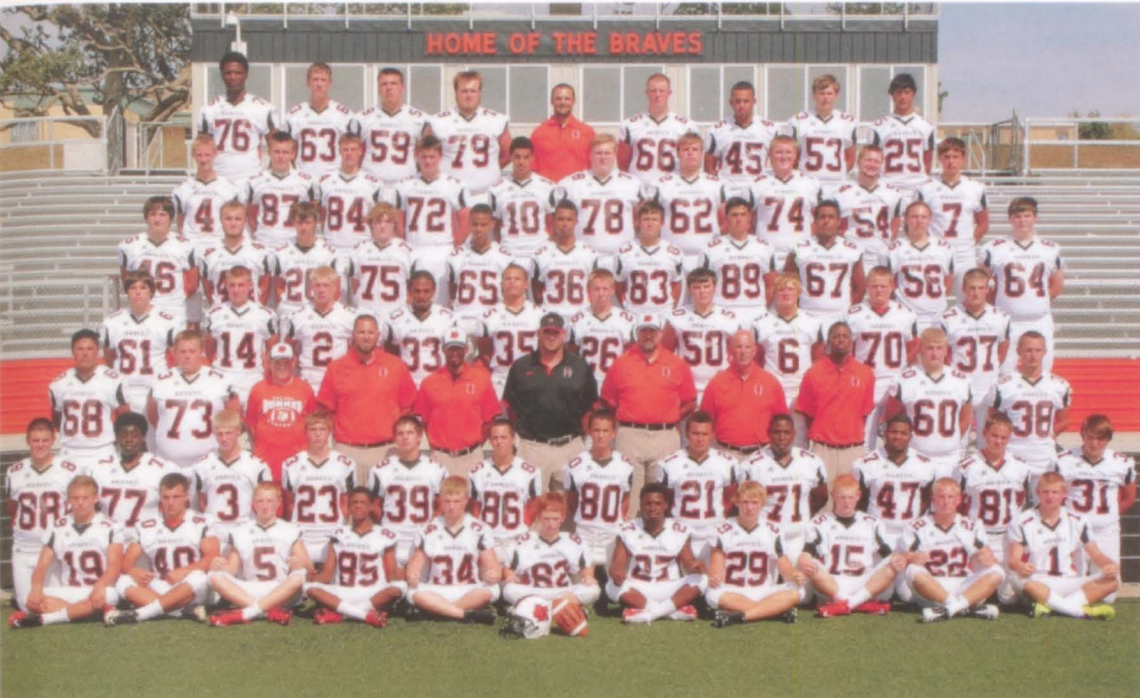
**Front Row:** Quinton Schneck, Tanner Shipman, Raphael Pena, Alvaro Romo, Kolbe Seaton, Randall Harris, Cameron Smith-Poe, Nicholas Korosec, Austin Schuler. **Row 2:** Manager Jessica Moulin, Carlos Gonzales-Gustin, Ryan Schuler, Maison Patchett, Alexander Frank, Jacob Mellott, Tyler Campbell, Colin Barker, Rodrigo Fernandez Alvarado, manager Gwenyth Barrett. **Row 3:** Manager Bailey Hightower, Cody Pierce, Nicholas Casteel, coach Ethan Issacs, head coach Mike Moulin, Jacob Kraus, Jason Van Maren, Sam Nelson, Dominic Salvino. **Row 4:** Branson Deeter, Luciano Fasani, Spencer Frank, Jeremy Vanden Hull, Colton Harvey, Robert Glenn, Grant Lewis, Dante Crider, Jacob Harris.



HOME OF THE BRAVES

[Football]

**Front Row:** Jonathan Blackwell, Matthew Call, Hayden Hoffine, Jamison Freese, Tyler Lentz, Justin Neagles, Marcell Holmes, Austin Purduski, Logan Terrell, Weston Vitt, Austin Schuler. **Row 2:** Devon Lambert, Dallen Reed, Romar Glenn, Jason Van Maren, Riley Ballou-Lyngstad, Blake McMahan, Mason Hurla, Jared Knernschield, Johnathan Carter, Kevin London, Jeremy McDonnell, Tyler Ferris. **Row 3:** Jose Rios, Adam Burdolski, manager Peter Klingele, coach Kyle Razak, coach LaDrew Murrell, coach Steven Kline, coach John Hilton, coach Monty Bechard, coach Eric Kinney, Caleb Mace, Aaron Thickett. **Row 4:** Brett French, Conner Byers, Thaddeus Glenn, Trevon Mason, Darryl Terrell, Dominic Salvino, Preston Pyles, Bryan Lanning, Collin Sechrist, Charles Stites. **Row 5:** Ross Higan, Tyler Eickhoff, Alex Povlitzki, K.C. Gillespie, Tyrese Bolton, Tristan Foster, Michael Amayo, Luciano Fasani, Gabriel Jessie, Devin Burke, Aaron Jones. **Row 6:** Travis Dooley, Joshua Adams, Anthony Kubas, Jacob Dobbs, Jordan Jackson, Vincent Roult, Joseph Arnett, Jake Wylie, Shawn Bryant, Mason Roberts. **Row 7:** Tyler Howell, Jack Klingele, Kyle Dumler, Austin Goodin, head coach Lucas Aslin, Les Wessel, Darian Neal, Steven Barnes, Jonah Freese.



[Varsity Volleyball]



**Front Row:** Manager Madison Stumbough, Shelby Taylor, Cassidy Holloway, Mariah Seifert, Jene Williams, managers McKindrea Hudson, Row 2: Holloway, Killian Clark, Julianne Jackson, Mikaela Bennett, Amber Cox, Haley Hoffine, Alazia Stanley, manager Skyler Taylor. **Row 3:** Coach Trisha Elder, head coach Jan Madlock, coach Denise Chowning.

Varsity Volleyball

Basehor	L 2-0	Lansing	L 2-1
Baldwin	L 2-0	Ottawa	L 2-0
Eudora	L 2-0	Bishop Ward	L 2-0
Bishop Ward	W 2-1	Great Bend	W 2-0
Christ Prep	W 2-0	Tonganoxie	L 2-1
Louisburg	L 2-0	Turner	W 3-0
Basehor	L 3-0	Atchison	W 2-1
Immaculata	L 2-0	Schlagle	W 2-0
Turner	W 2-0	Bishop Ward	L 3-2
Washington	W 2-0	Turner	W 3-0
Leavenworth	L 2-0	Wyandotte	W 2-0
Wellsville	L 2-0	Sumner	W 2-0
BV Southwest	L 2-0	Piper	W 2-1
Paola	L 2-0	Bishop Ward	W 2-0
Piper	W 3-1	Mill Valley	L 3-0
Gardner-Edgerton	L 2-0	Tonganoxie	W 3-2
BV Southwest	L 2-0	Sumner	W 2-0
Spring Hill	L 1-2	Basehor	L 2-0

**Record: 16-20**

Cross Country

	Boys	Girls
Ottawa	2nd	2nd
Miege	4th	3rd
Bonner Inv.	15th	14th
Ottawa	3rd	4th
Wyco	1st	1st
KVL	3rd	5th
Regionals	3rd	5th
State	11th	

Varsity Soccer

Tonganoxie	L 2-1
Lawrence Free State	L 6-1
SM North	L 3-0
Bishop Miege	L 10-0
Mill Valley	L 8-1
Bishop Ward	T 3-3
Lansing	L 4-0
Perry-Leocompton	T 1-1
Gardner-Edgerton	L 10-0
Topeka Seaman	L 5-0
Ottawa	L 2-5
Piper	L 2-1
BV Southwest	L 2-0
Turner	L 3-2
Basehor	T 0-0
Marionatha	W 1-0
Heritage Academy	L 3-0

**Record: 1-13-3**

Football

Turner	W 12-7
Lansing	W 34-7
Bishop Ward	W 23-7
Piper	L 29-23
Mill Valley	L 49-12
Basehor	L 35-11
DeSoto	L 16-6
St. James	L 17-16
Spring Hill	L 35-21

**Record: 3-6**

[JV Volleyball]



**Front Row:** Manager Madison Stumbough, Payton Sechrist, Lauren Murphy, Shelby Mata, Monica Stimac. **Row 2:** Coach Denise Chowning, Alexis Sechrist, Hannah Fehlhafer, Michaela Mock, Alexandria Washburn, Bridget Rittinghouse, Amber Lies.

[Freshman Volleyball]



**Front Row:** Manager Erin Walters, Emily Nelson, Alyssa Mendoza, Jonita Francis, manager Madison Stumbough. **Row 2:** Coach Trisha Elder, Morgan Reed, Jayme Fratzel, Bailey Pierce, Robyn Lewis, Taryn Remigio.

## [Wrestling]

**Front Row:** Marcell Addinger Tolliver, Marcell Holmes, Collin Wallar, Dakota Ballard, Tyler Lentz, Kolbe Seaton, Josiah Seaton, Bryan Lanning, Joshua Coffman, Koby Hobbs, manager Faith Seaton. **Row 2:** Tyrese Bolton, Dominic Salvino, Shaun Brake, Justus Seaton, Jonathan Blackwell, Ryan Minton, Coltin Bulkley, Zachary Quigley, Benjamin Villegas, Christian Jones, John Burnworth, Adam Sams, Jacob Folsom, head coach Brandon Jobe, coach Jerry Seaton, coach Bobby Vaughn, Johnathan Carter, Jesse McAdams, William Fratzel. **Row 3:** Elliott Nickell, Brett French, Jordan Mauk, Aaron Puckett, Shawn Stirling, Patrick Ballard, Les Wessel, Tristan Russell, Isaac Bolton.



### Wrestling

Wyco Championships	1st
KVL Meet	3rd
Lee's Summit Invitational	3rd
Dick Burns Mat Classic	2nd
Basehor Bobcat Classic	8th
BV Northwest Tournament	4th
Osawatimie Tournament	5th
Regionals	2nd
State	4th

### Girls Basketball

Turner	W, 61-25
Paola	W, 62-53
Piper	L, 51-40
Basehor	W, 59-45
Lansing	W, 63-32
Piper	W, 46-39
Turner	W, 56-28
Tonganoxie	W, 49-37
Mill Valley	L, 47-21
Piper	W, 55-43
Wellsville	W, 55-29
Spring Hill	W, 40-26
Baldwin	W, 41-40
Turner	W, 52-27
Bishop Ward	W, 56-43
Lansing	W, 64-46
Basehor	W, 45-30
Mill Valley	L, 49-46
Bishop Ward	W, 71-47
Perry-Leocompton	W, 66-35
Tonganoxie	L, 49-45
<b>Record:</b>	<b>17-4</b>

### Boys Basketball

Heritage Christian	W, 77-36
Eudora	W, 47-36
Piper	L, 64-61
Basehor	L, 65-48
Lansing	L, 71-35
Piper	L, 67-43
Turner	W, 39-36
Tonganoxie	L, 63-50
Mill Valley	L, 64-42
K.C. Christian	W, 42-32
Wellsville	W, 34-25
Baldwin	L, 40-37
Piper	L, 58-53
Turner	W, 48-41
Bishop Ward	W, 36-30
Lansing	L, 51-29
Basehor	W, 43-42
Mill Valley	L, 71-41
Bishop Ward	L, 40-37
Tonganoxie	L, 65-56
<b>Record:</b>	<b>8-12</b>

## [Freshmen Basketball]



**Front Row:** Aaron McGee, Blake McMahan, Jamison Freese, Kevin Pichardo, Connor Byers. **Row 2:** Joshua Adams, Michael Amayo, Steven Chapple, coach Anthony Brown, Devante McGee, Riley Ballou-Lyngstad, Andrew Bryant.

## [Freshmen/JV Basketball]



**Front Row:** Liz Briggs, Gwen Barrett, Miyah Hightower, Tanya Hernandez, Emily Nelson, Tierra McGee, Kaylan Roberts. **Row 2:** Coach Kelsey Stanbrough, Mikayla Ussery, Morgan Lawrence, Kylie Jarrett, Allie Ledbetter, Kennedy Bacon, coach Crystal Coleman-Richardson.

## [JV Basketball]



**Front Row:** Jake Wylie, Thaddeus Glenn, Weston Vitt, Brenden Dotson, Travis Dooley, Steven Greer, Roman Glenn. **Row 2:** Manager Kristina Holgerson, Anthony Kubas, Jonah Freese, coach Adam Loecker, Zshavon Dotson, Alex Povlitzki, manager Kayleigh Clark.



## Boys Swimming

**Front Row:** Odin Hart, Griffin Mareske, Jacob Sopher, head coach Preston Williams, Steffan Mefferd, Ramon Arzabala, Dakota Nason.  
**Row 2:** Gabriel Jessie, Jacob Kraus, Samuel Nelson, Thomas Hook, Skyler Lucas, Jack Klingele, Peter Jenkins.



## Varsity Basketball

**Front Row:** Kaleigh Taylor, Mikaela Bennett, Allie Ledbetter, Abrise Sims, Julianne Jackson, Anna Deegan, Haley Hoffins,  
**Row 2:** Coach Kelsey Stanbrough, coach Crystal Coleman-Richarson, Morgan Lawrence, Kyleia Jarrett, Kennedy Bizzell, head coach Clay Oakes, manager Nathan Campbell.



## Varsity Basketball

**Front Row:** Travis Dooley, Brandon Moore, Jason Van Maren, Brenden Dotson, Weston Vitt, Jordan Jackson, Zshavon Dotson.  
**Row 2:** Head coach Dan Streit, Anthony Kubas, Austen Twombly, Tyler Howell, Jonah Freese, coach Bill Downing, manager Kayla Greer.

## [Softball]

**Front Row:** Aarionna Holliday, Kellsee Marlowe, Brandy Brouhard, Monica Stimac, Taryn Remigio, Julia Lamendola. **Row 2:** Alexis Tendick, Bailey Sears, Morgan Reed, manager Erin Walters, Elizabeth Briggs, Kristina Schwab, Annie Carpenter. **Row 3:** Head coach Denise Chowning, Bridget Rittinghouse, Michaela Mock, Bailey Pierce, Hannah Fehlhafer, coach Kelly Hoopes, coach Crystal Coleman-Richardson. **Row 4:** Geena Harris, Bryanna Hammer, Mikayla Ussery, Mikaela Bennett, Cassady Holloway, Katie Carpenter, Megan Laughlin.



## [Girls Soccer]

**Front Row:** Shelby Taylor, Bailey Hightower, Marisol Ochoa, Adrianna Pollock, Daniela Aguilar Ochoa, Tanya Hernandez, Priscilla Rosales, Belinda Diaz, Brittney Clark. **Row 2:** Araceli Rosales, Citlally Fernandez, Kristina Holgerson, Gabrielle Bennett, Gwen Barrett, Kennedy Bizzell, Faith Seaton, Miyah Hightower, Kayleigh Clark, Heidi Rodgers. **Row 3:** Kennedy Bacon, head coach Mike Moulin, Andrea Wigglesworth, Addison Tolliver, Jessica Moulin, Taylor Hogan-Gooch, Tessa Newberry, coach Ethan Issacs, Jayme Fratzel. **Row 4:** Kaylan Roberts, Rachel Barber, Hannah Hunt, Rachael Jensen, Skyler Taylor, Anna Deegan, Haley Hoffine, Allie Ledbetter, Julianne Jackson.



## [Track & Field]

**Front Row:** Taylor Vanden Hull, Hanna Wenzel, Maranda Ballou, Lilly Lackner, Shelby Mata, Jonita Francis, Hannah Martin. **Row 2:** Citlally Fernandez, Alexis Søchrist, Kylie Jarrett, LiNelle Wilson, Kaleigh Taylor, Mayra Hernandez, Kali Chatmon, Kennedy Bacon. **Row 3:** Coach Kyle Razak, head coach Rob Marriott, Kalim Raza Khan, Jake Wenzel, Marcell Holmes, Raphael Pena, Deion McQuarters, Riley Ballou-Lyngstad, Jacob Neu, coach Tabitha Marriott, coach Bill Downing. **Row 4:** Kyle Dumler, Joshua Adams, Austin Schuler, Darius Sheppard, Joe Casteel, Nicholas Casteel, John Burnworth, Brandon Moore, Jonah Freese, T.J. Kimbrough-French. **Row 5:** Ahmad Walls, Rodrigo Fernandez, Tre Scott, Isaac Bolton, Michael Amayo, Jordan Jackson, Anthony Kubas, Travis Doobey, Jacob Dobbs.



## [Golf]



**Front Row:** Thomas Hook, Mare McClain, Devon Haywood, Steven Greer, Jason Van Maren.  
**Row 2:** Steffan Mefferd, Tristan Abts, Andrew Adkins, head coach Steve Miller, Colton Harvey, Jacob Laing, Matthew Call.

## [Boys Tennis]



**Front Row:** Luciano Fasani, Quinton Schneck, Taner Shipman, Peter Klingele, Richard Hamilton.  
**Row 2:** Aaron Ashford, Aaron Lewis, Kyle Sears, Tyler Jenkins, Andrew Conn, J.T. Johnson.  
**Row 3:** Justin Carroll, Jack Klingele, coach B.J. Congelton, head coach Bill Scott, Joseph Arnett, Peter Jenkins, Nathan Campbell.

## [Girls Swimming]



**Front Row:** Coach Preston Williams, Amber Lies, Jessica Christensen, Akiko Capalla, Cheyanne Miller, Madison Stumbough, Katelin Lake.  
**Row 2:** Manager Skylla Lucas, Morgan Lawrence, Robyn Lewis, Lei'Onna Smith, Stephanie Rose, manager Ramon Arzabala.

### Varsity Baseball

Lansing	13-3 L, 8-6 L
Turner	7-5 L, 19-16 L
B. Ward	13-0 L, 5-4 L
Eudora	6-5 W, 13-7 L
Mill Valley	17-0 L, 15-0 L
Piper	16-6 L, 8-7 L
Paola	10-5 L
Tonganoxie	5-4 W
Perry	10-4 L
Basehor	15-11 L, 11-4 L
DeSoto	10-0 L
Tonganoxie	11-4 L
Eudora	7-3 L
<b>Record:</b>	<b>2-18</b>

### Varsity Softball

Turner	9-7 L, 9-8 L
DeSoto	13-0 L, 12-3 L
Piper	12-2 L, 8-1 L
Lansing	8-7 W, 11-8 L
Basehor	7-3 L, 12-0 L
Washington	15-0 W
B. Ward	16-3 W, 13-3 W
Mill Valley	14-1 L, 10-0 L
Tangie	8-5 L, 11-1 W
St. James	2-1 W
BV West	10-0 L
Tonganoxie	18-3 W
Basehor	9-5 W
DeSoto	10-0 L
<b>Record:</b>	<b>8-14</b>

### Golf

Sunflower Classic	1st
Mill Valley Inv.	10th
Blazer Inv.	2nd
Lansing Inv.	3rd
Atchison Inv.	2nd
Maur Hill Inv.	1st
KVL	4th
Regionals	1st

### Track

	Boys	Girls
Baldwin Inv.	6th	13th
Basehor Relay	2nd	8th
SM West Inv.	6th	6th
Bonner Inv.	3rd	NA
Wildcat Inv.	3rd	NA
KVL	4th	7th
Regionals	6th	16th

### Varsity Soccer

Shawnee Heights	3-0 L
KC Christian	3-0 W
Topeka Seaman	1-0 L
Lansing	6-2 L
Tonganoxie	4-3 L
Gardner-Edgerton	1-0 W
Basehor	4-0 W
Bishop Miege	6-2 L
Bishop Ward	10-0 W
Schlagle	9-0 W
Ottawa	2-1 W
Christ Prep	5-3 L
DeSoto	3-1 L
Mill Valley	9-1 L
Piper	3-2 L
Basehor	6-0 W
Piper	2-0 L
<b>Record:</b>	<b>7-10</b>

## [Varsity Baseball]



**Front Row:** Logan Shearer, Tanner Clark, Maison Patchett, Luis Gardea, Logan Terrell, Tyler Hernandez, Roman Glenn.  
**Row 2:** Darian Neal, Jeremy McDonnell, Thaddeus Glenn, head coach Scott Lero, coach Nick Schuster, Connor Byers, Jordan Castro.

## [JV Baseball]



**Front Row:** Richard Skaggs, Michael Bradley, Cody Cox, Tyler Hale, Karl Turner, Bobby Crowley, Logan Shearer.  
**Row 2:** Joshua Brown, Alex Povlitzki, Collin Sechrist, head coach Scott Lero, Preston Pyles, Ross Hogan.

# Thank you

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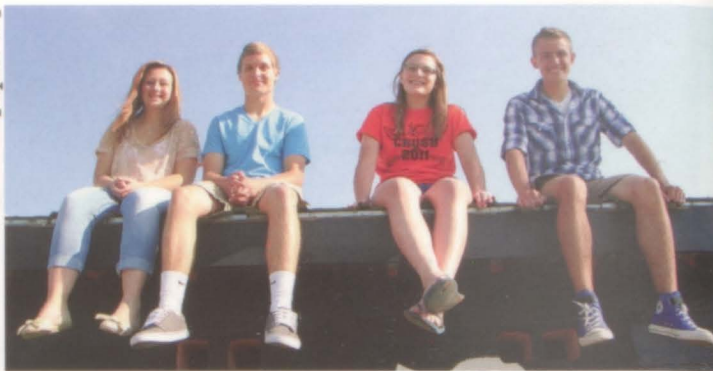
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[Sports]



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[Student Life]



Student Life: Lauren Murphy, Brenna Williams, Micaela Reed, Taylor Coleman, Madison Epp

[Academics & Organizations]



Academics & Organizations: Tre Scott, Rachel Barber, Brian Gray, Rachael Jensen, Andrea Wiglesworth, Lilly Eickhoff

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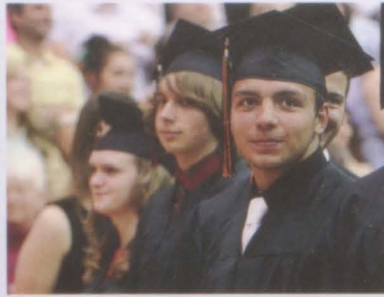


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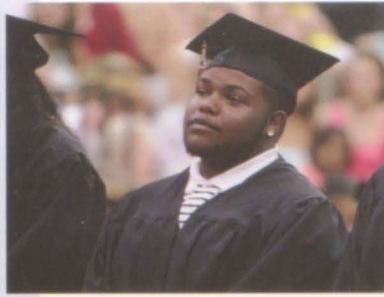




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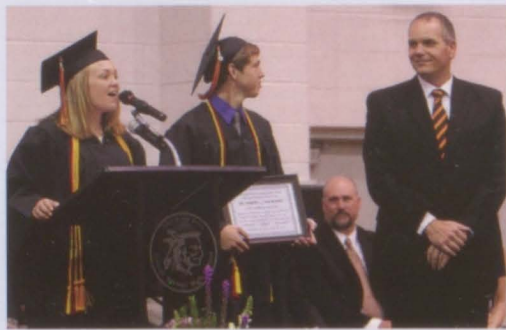
Matthew Call



Jonothan Bradley



Shyla Mason



**[one last gift]**

Seniors Samantha Ricci-Weller and Jason Van Maren present the senior gift while principal Joe Hornback looks on. The class chose to purchase a tree for the memorial walkway to the football field in honor of Van Maren's father, retiring superintendent Robert Van Maren.



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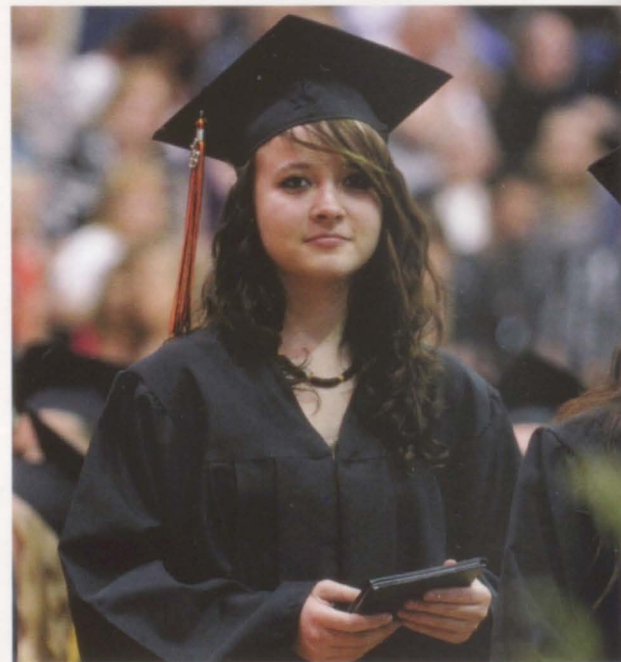
Senior Joseph Arnett plays with the percussion section for the last time. The band performed "Minnesota March" while the A Cappella choir sang "When You Believe."



**[the final moments]**

Guidance counselor Lisa Terrell, above, and science teacher Chris Klager were chosen to present diplomas to the graduates. *Left*, Terrell shares a special moment with her son, Logan.

**[a speech to remember]**  
English teacher Jeff Fouquet holds up his infamous red pen while delivering the commencement address. "Being chosen by the Class of 2013 was probably the greatest honor I have had as a teacher," Fouquet said. "Graduation is a beginning; great students can make bad choices and poor students can make terrific choices. Your life is your story to write."



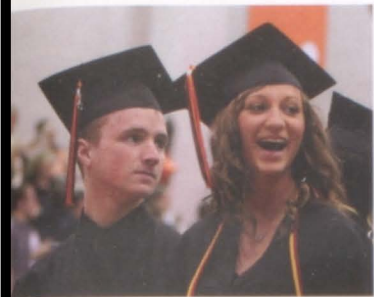
**[caught up in the moment]**

Seniors Allison Augustine, above, and David Arnold take a moment to reflect on their graduation. "High school was weird, full of ups and downs from the very beginning to the end," Arnold said. "I'm glad to have been a part of the BSHS program. I had much more opportunities here and always got a fair chance. I'm glad it's over but parts of me will miss these years forever."



**[honor graduates]**

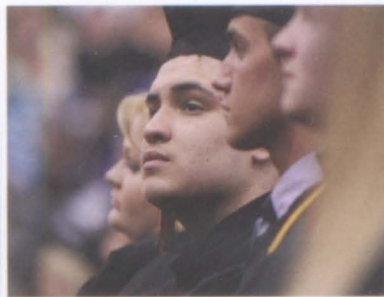
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Caleb Bennett & Mandy Ballou



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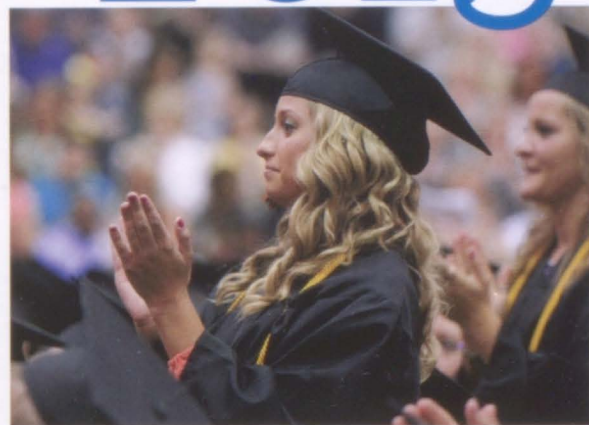
"I was so happy all of the hard work I did over the years finally paid off."

Hannah Reed [12]

// lauren murphy

## Class of

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### [a standing ovation]

Senior Taylor Coleman stands and claps after English teacher Jeff Fouquet gives his speech to the graduates. "His speech was the most amazing thing I have ever heard of from a teacher. He is my all-time favorite teacher because whenever he speaks, I always listen. He captivates you with his words. I will never forget what he taught me," Coleman said.



### [ready to go]

Juniors Kemberly Sanchez and Hannah Hunt lead the seniors out of the building and into the district P.E. Center for their graduation on May 9.

### [big moment]

Senior Jene Williams shakes Principal Joe Hornback's hand before walking across the stage to receive her diploma. "Senior year was by far the best year for me. I enjoyed having more privileges and freedom, balanced with more responsibility," Williams said.



**[with anticipation]**

Senior Brenna McQuitty chalks up how many days are left for the senior class on the glass doors in the commons.



# Statements are made every day.

Four quarters and infinite statements later, we all look forward to the next chapter of our lives. But before you go, reflect back on the statements you've made this year.

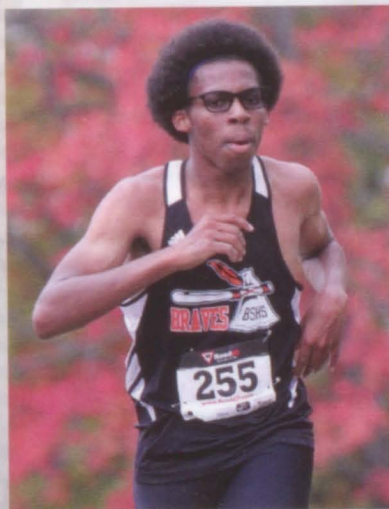
Did you say what needed to be said? Were your statements bold or behind-the-scenes?

However you made them, you're not done yet. This is just one book, one year, one scene from your life.

There is so much more to come, maybe another year or two of high school or maybe four years of college. Or perhaps you're starting your career.

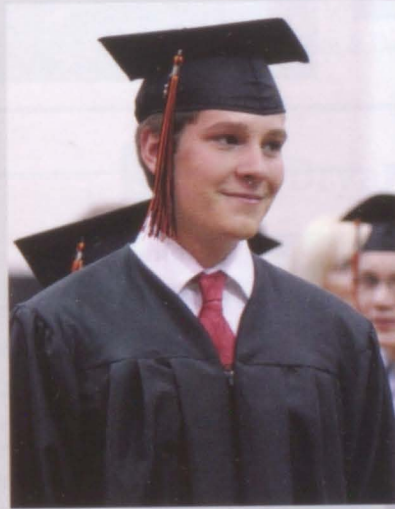
As you move forward, don't forget the statements you've made,

for those statements  
are now part of you.



**[going the distance]**

Junior Dennis McDaniel runs during a cross country meet at the Wyandotte County Park.



**[standing proud]**

Senior Elliott Nickell gets ready to go to the stage to receive his diploma at graduation on May 9.

## Sierra Seacat



Sierra,  
Congratulations! You have accomplished many achievements throughout the years. We are so proud of you and know the best is yet to come. Always strive with your greatest potential and continue to succeed, as you will go far in life.

Love,  
Mom and Dad



## Tristan Abts



Tristan,  
You have the power to make your dreams become reality. We are so proud of you.

Love,  
Mom and Dad

## Cassady Holloway



Cassady,  
You have always approached life in a laid-back manner but your independent spirit will be the driving force that pushes you to excel. We love how you complete tasks at your own pace while always giving 110 percent and putting others first. Our baby girl has always made us smile and continues to make us proud! We treasure our memories and look forward to sharing your bright future.

Always and forever,  
Mom and Dad



## Tanner Clark

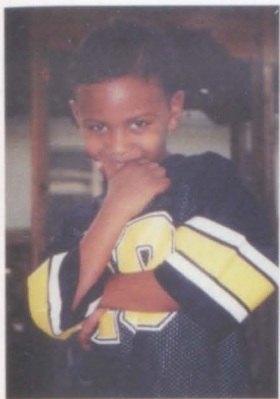


Tanner,  
How time flies! Thanks for the great memories. We can't wait to see what you are into next.

Congratulations!  
With love,  
Mom and Dad



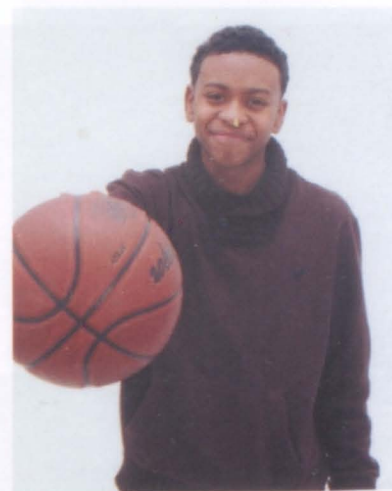
## Brandon Moore



Brandon,

We are so grateful that God has kept you through being our precious little boy to becoming a wonderful and respectful young man. Treasure your life and remember to thank God for your blessings, challenges, and for the great life He has for you.

We love you,  
Dad, Mom, and Brother



## Ryan Schuler



Ryan,  
We are so proud of you! We are especially proud of the responsible and respectful young man you have become. There is nothing you can't achieve!  
Love, Mom, Dad, Austin, and Alex

## Jared Clements



Jared,

You are an amazing young man and such a blessing to our family. You are kind, generous, talented, and brave and we are proud of you! Your choices will determine your future in a world of endless opportunity. Choose wisely son.

Love,  
Mom & Dad



## Madison Epp



Congratulations Madison,

You have made us very proud! It is hard to believe it is time to let you go and follow your own dreams! Continue to dream big and live life to its fullest. Always keep a smile on your face and enjoy the journey.

Love,  
Dad, Mom, and  
Austin



## Shawn Bryant



Shawn,

We are so proud of you. Just remember everything you have done. It's been all you, and with that, you can do anything.

Love you,  
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Andrew, Erica, and  
Matthew

## Alan McKinney Jr.



A.J.

Congratulations! We are proud of you and know you will succeed.

We love you,  
Mom and Dad

## Micaela Reed



Micaela:

We are all so proud of you. Work hard, stay focused and you will achieve your goals.

Love,  
Dad, Shelly,  
Mom, Doug, and  
Morgan



## Brenna McQuitty



Brenna,

It has been our JOY to watch you grow into such a beautiful, independent, caring, sweet, and respectful person.

You are our greatest treasure.

Keep Christ close and you can accomplish all your dreams.

We love you!  
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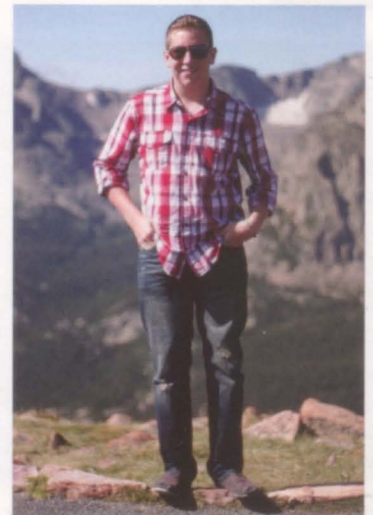
## Chad Uhl



Chad,

I believe you are ready to meet the challenges of life, but just know that I'll always be there for you. I love you very much and I'm so proud of you. Thank you for the best years of my life; it's been an amazing experience to watch you grow.

Love,  
Mom



## Skyler Taylor



Skyler,  
 You have made our wishes all come true.  
 Your many qualities make us proud of you.  
 We love your smile that lights up a room.  
 We love your laugh that sparks those in gloom.  
 We need more people like you by far.  
 So, never change the way you are.  
 Continue playing your part.  
 And everyone, like us, will love you with all of their heart.

Love,  
 Dad, Mom, and Shelbey



## Maranda Ballou



Mandy,

We can't believe our gorgeous little girl has grown and is going to experience the world on her own. You will do well. We are proud of you and love you.

Dad, Mom, and Brooks

## Taylor Hogan-Gooch



Congratulations, Taylor!

It feels like it was just the other day I dropped you off for your first day of kindergarten.

We are so proud of the young woman you have become.

Follow your heart and you will succeed.

We love you,  
 Mom, Dad, and Talen



## Loren Bergstrom

Loren,

You are such an amazing person inside and out, you have such a loving heart and a contagious smile. We are proud of you and the woman you are becoming and know that you will succeed in whatever God has planned for you. Keep true to yourself and follow your dreams.

We love you!  
 Mom, Dad, and Brett



## Tatiana Torres



May all your dreams come true.  
From all your family.

## Rachael Jensen



Rachael,

You are an encourager and inspiration to others. "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith, and, and, purity."

—Timothy 4:12

We love you,  
Steve and Mom,  
Dad and Patricia,  
Zach



## Hannah Novogradic



Hannah,

We are so proud of you! You have become a beautiful young lady inside and out. We are excited to see what else God has planned for you. You are amazing!

Love always,  
Mom and Dad



*"I can do all things through Christ  
who gives me strength."*

—Philippians 4:13

## Chance Stites



Chance,

Congratulations on your accomplishments throughout high school. Your wisdom, humor, strength, and determination will serve you well on your path to success. It has been a pleasure and a privilege watching you become a young man. We are so proud of you!

Love you always,  
Mom & Dad

*"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams.  
Live the life you have imagined."*

—Henry David Thoreau



## Ryan Minton



Although we miss the sweet energetic boy you once were we are in awe of the brilliant, witty young man you have become.

*"A hero can be anyone."*—Batman

We love you,  
Dad, Mom, Sis, and Abbi

## Lauren Culter



Lauren,

We are so proud of the amazing young lady you have become. Follow your dreams, never let anything hold you back, and always know that we are here for you. Now go make some new memories at K-State!

Love you always,  
Mom, Dad, and Josh



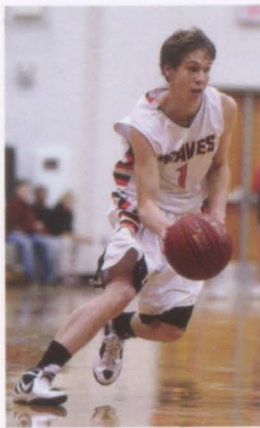
## Cassie McClain



We are so proud of you. We couldn't wish for a more beautiful daughter inside and out. Keep your head held high and follow your dreams wherever they lead you.

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Marc Jr.

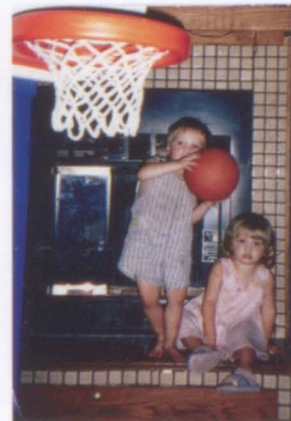
## Jason Van Maren



Jason,

Wow! Our great kid has become a wonderful young man and we couldn't be prouder! You have accomplished much, but your cheerful attitude with your ever-present smile matched by your deep compassion for others are what will bring you success in life.

We love you.  
Mom and Stan



## Krista Owens



Krista:

You are great under pressure. You have grown into such a remarkable, beautiful young lady. We are so very proud of you. The world is yours for the taking. May God bless you on the next chapter of your life.

We love you,  
Mom and Dad



## Nick Korosec



Nick,

We're proud of you and who you've become. We look forward to seeing you set goals for yourself and accomplish them. You'll do well in anything you commit yourself to. We wish you happiness and confidence in yourself. The rest is easy. We're always here for you.

Love,  
Mom and Dad

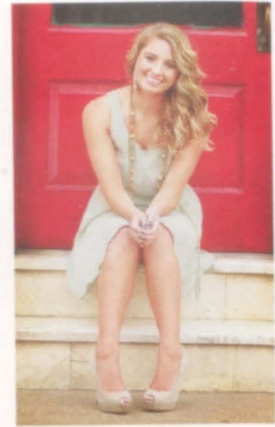
## Taylor Coleman



Taylor,

We are proud of you and your accomplishments. Your drive and motivation will bring you great success. Now it's time for a new chapter with endless possibilities. Embrace the good, learn from mistakes and always be humble. Continue to believe in yourself and God. You will go amazing places. We love and support you in all that you do.

Love, Dad, Mom, Carly,  
Danielle and Bret



## Courtney Wheeler



Courtney,

Congratulations. We are proud of you and everything you have accomplished. We know your future will be bright, and that your hard work will pay off. Best of luck.

Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Kelsey



## Coltin Bulkley



Coltin,  
Butter Our Butts and call Us Biscuits. You DID it! Never doubted, very proud.

Love you always,  
Mom, (Dad), Ethan, Aunt Becky,  
Grandpa, and Grandma



## Tylynn Glenn

Tylynn,

You have given us so much to be thankful for as we watch you move through life and develop all the qualities that make you so beautiful. Your shining spirit fills our heart and makes us so proud to call you our daughter.

We love you,  
Mom and Dad



## Logan Terrell

Logan,

We are so proud of you! We can't wait to see what great things your future holds. Follow your dreams and always stay true to your beliefs. We love you. Mom, Dad, Luke, and Chase



## Tessa Newberry

Tessa,

We are so proud of all you have accomplished. You have used your God-given talents well, worked hard to make the most of your opportunities and been a wonderful daughter and big sister. We look forward to the adventures that God has for you. Keep dreaming & reaching for those goals!

We love you so much!  
Mom, Dad & Kyle



## Sydney Shepherd

We have watched you grow into a spirited, confident, and determined young woman. We could not be prouder of you and all that you have accomplished thus far in life. Just keep swimming toward your hopes and dreams and take care of you.

As you wish,  
Mom, Dad, and  
Kynnedi



## Jason Van Maren



From the boy with the golden smile to the young man with the golden future....we are so proud of your character, your perseverance and your kind heart. Follow your dreams.... we will be there cheering you on always!

Much love, Dad and Kim



## Tanise England

Tanise,

We all have watched you mature and blossom into a beautiful young lady. I am so proud to have you as my daughter. Continue to allow God to guide your footsteps and you will succeed.

Love,  
Mom, Brajai, Destiny,  
Aunt Sandy, T.T.,  
Chris and Cass,  
and Audrey



## Megan McCullough

Megan,

I am so proud of you and what you've accomplished. Always follow your dreams and you will succeed.

Love you,  
Mom



## Rebekah Thompson



*"Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind."*—Anonymous

*"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding."*— Proverbs 3:5

Love, Dad, Mom, Dominick, and Lyra

## Miranda McCullough

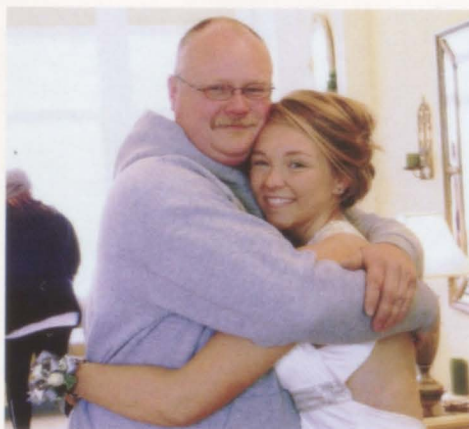


Congratulations Princess,

We are so proud of you. You are a beautiful and amazing person. We wish you the best in the next chapter of your life at the University of Central Missouri.

Love,  
Mommy, Daddy,  
Husky, and  
Snow

## Samantha Weller



Sammy,

Congratulations. All of your dreams can come true if you have the courage to pursue them. And maintain your individuality, it's the key to success.

We are all very proud of you!

Love,  
Mom, Dad, Rose, Harrison, and Chase

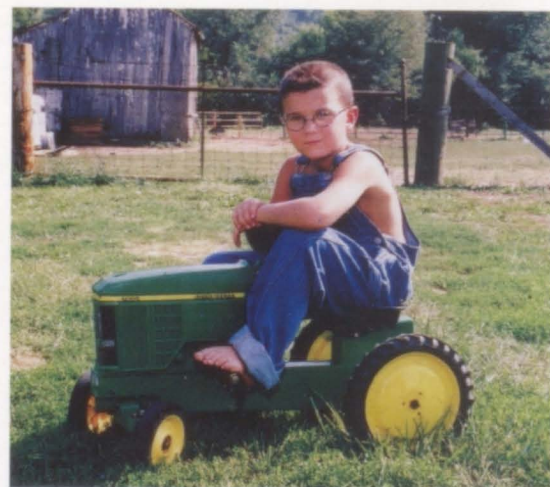
## Cord Cannon



Cord,

You have brought so much joy and love into our lives. We have watched you grow into a wonderful person who always stands up for what he believes in. We know you are going to do great things, always aim high and remember your family will be right here cheering you on. Boston and Isabella are so lucky to have you as their uncle.

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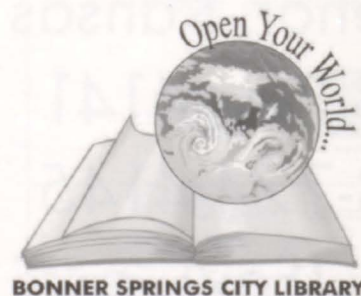
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