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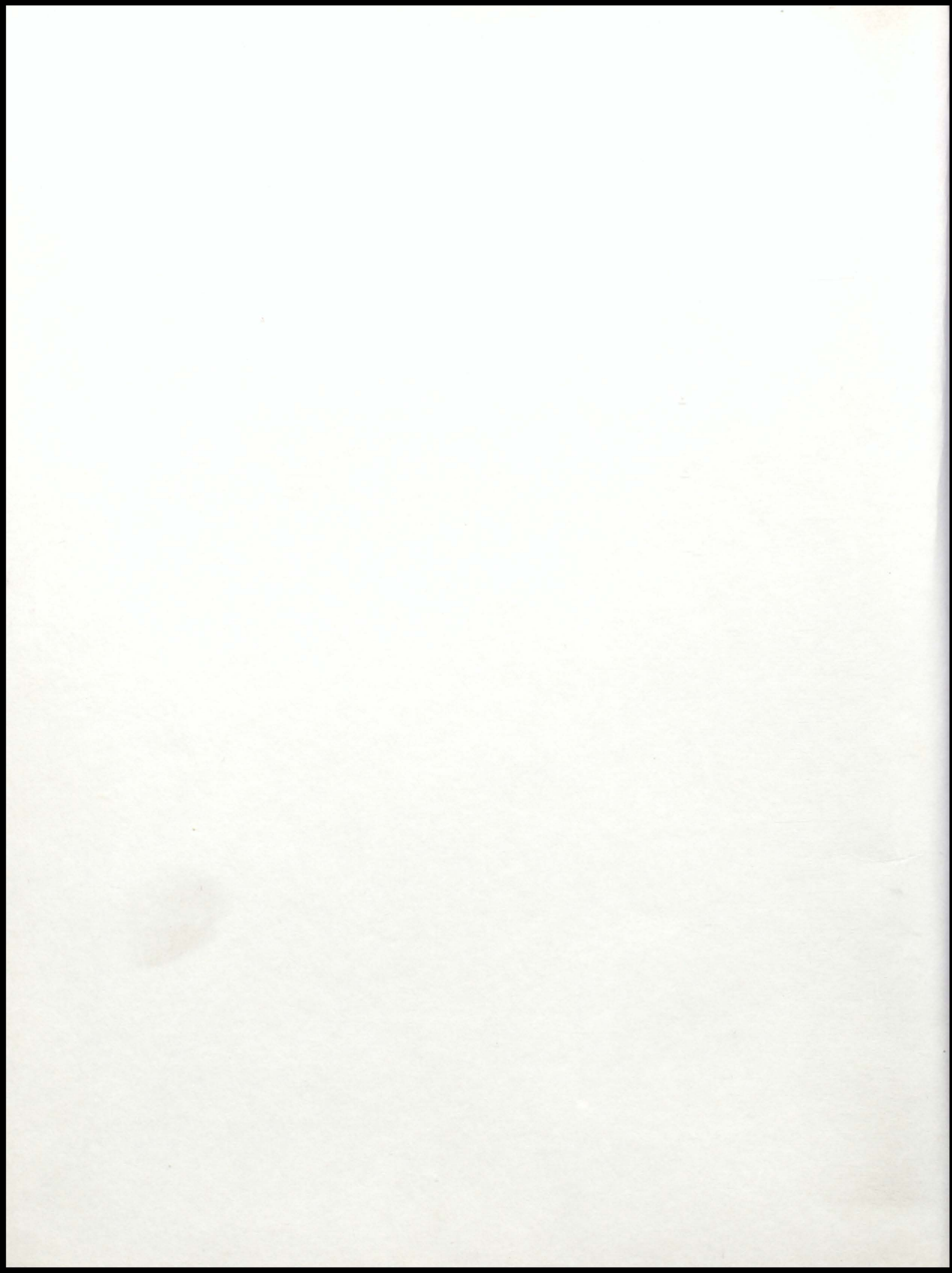




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Creating an interesting and creative yearbook takes a lot of dedication of long hours and hard work. This year's annual staff included many new members, which had big files to fill to replace a strong network last year. As Co-Editors this year it was our responsibility to use our knowledge of being a part of the creation of two other yearbooks. We did our best to keep the theme carried throughout the yearbook, and had a wide variety of pictures. We hope you enjoy the MyBook theme and when you pick up this book up in the future, you may just be reminded of what Social Networking was like in the year 2009.

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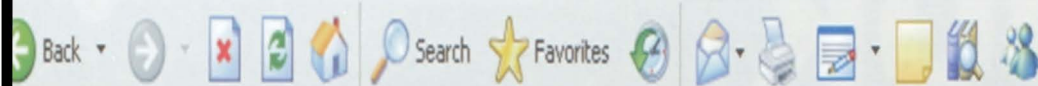
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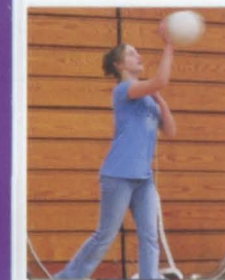
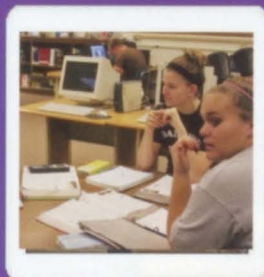
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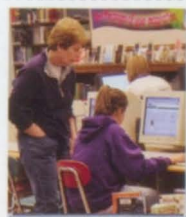
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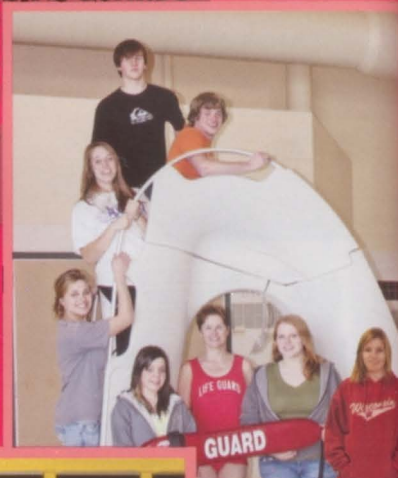


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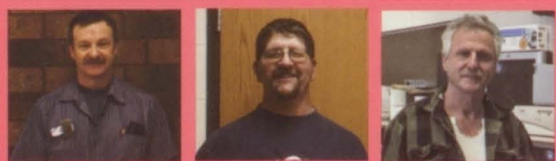
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"I just can't stop thinking about my work!"



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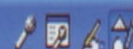


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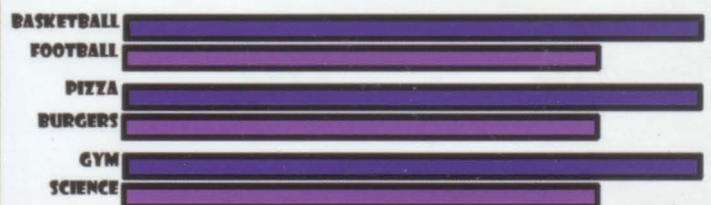
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6TH_GRADE.COM FAVES



The 6th grade class submitted their favorite sport, lunch food, and class for the 2008 school year. It was a close tie between Basketball and Football for the Beaver sports. Basketball pulled ahead by only 3 votes. Lunch food was more diverse, but pizza pulled to the lead. Classes were easily determined. Almost each and every vote that was submitted had either gym or science. Gym class won over science class by only 2 points.

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(5 OUT OF 12 COMPLETE)



James Lengyel
Austin Lewallen
Halle Luedtke
Elizabeth Marino
Calvin Mayer
Michael Nehring

Danielle Nelson
Mekayla Phelps
Kyle Priest
Katelyn Randall
Shawn Sauers
Brian Schick

Jack Schneider
Michael Schroeder
Devon Shilka
Blake Solie
Matthew Stanek
Samuel Witte

Andrew Zebell
Troy Zimmerman



Up: Jamie Brown Chillin' in Mr. Hendrichs recycle bin.
Right: Troy Zimmerman and Matthew Stanek stay busy reading in Mr. Hendrichs.



Left: Kayla Erdman and Michael Nehring stay busy getting their work done.
Down: Jordan Cerrillo busy showing his enthusiasm by making Christmas cards.



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Haven Allard
Trevor Barka
Colton Barnhardt
Brok Benner
Blake Bethke
Nadene Boggs

Maverick Brandt
Brooklynn Bruder
Mareano Carrillo
Kyle Ellwood
Eric Emborsky
Nathaniel Goodell

Bradley Grunewald
Damin Hadorn-Papke
Audrey Harriman
Dylan Haubrich
Kaitlynn Herold
Amber Herrick

Tayler Hess
Adam Hitts
Cheyenne Hoffman
Gina Huth
Autumn King
Desyre Klindworth



Left: Matthew Schick prepared to rake. Top Middle: Blake Bethke was in deep thought. Bottom Middle: Bradley Grunewald convinced to dominate badminton. Right: Cody Reetz defended his pile of leaves.



Alex Knutson
Mikayla Larson
Rebecca Markoch
Marshall Mayer
Connor McCormick
Keegan Miller

Gage Morse
Hunter Neuenfeldt
Stephanie Peterson
Matthew Purdun
Cody Reetz
Shelby Rios

Matthew Schick
Kyle Schmitt
Courtney Shaffer
Angelle Solie
Damien Sprinkle
Kerry Stensen

Moriah Vlcek
Sam Wallenfelt
Dominic Walters

Survey Results

Favorite Sport: Volleyball, Football

Favorite Lunch Item: Pizza, Chicken

Favorite TV Show: Dirty Jobs, Family Guy

Favorite School Subject: Science, Physical Education



Above: Angelle Solie and Amber Herrick looked quite mysterious while donating money to the penny war.

Nikita Barka
Michael Barton
Mitchell Benner
Brittney Bertrang
Arturo Bustamante
Esau Casetta



Robert Edwards
Aaron Gutshall
Chase Haldeman
Aaron Herrick
Aaron Herrick
Jeanne Hudson



Jesse Joles
Joseph Konzen
Jessica Kunz
Dana Larson
Nicolas Larson
Kylee Lebarron



Brittany Lee
Colton Lewallen
Kayla Lone
Jasmine McGeary
Zachary Nelson
Nicholas Post



And the Survey Says.....

SPORTS: Basketball & Volleyball

FOOD: Pizza & Cheeseburger

T.V. SHOW: Degrassi & Spongebob

SUBJECT: Phy. Ed. & Reading



Clockwise: Gina Huth helping Desyre Klindworth. Nick Post and Teddy Sauers smiling nice for the camera. Some 8th grade girls working together in Science. Issac Siegel, Teresa Pritzl, and Jesse Joles making faces during class photos.



Nicholas Post
Teresa Pritzl
Andrew Robinson
Andrew Robinson
Teddy Sauers
Seth Severson

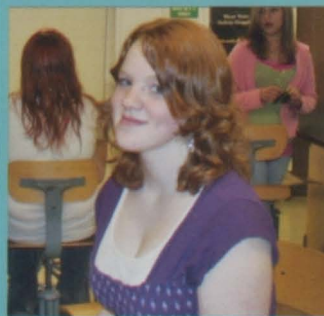
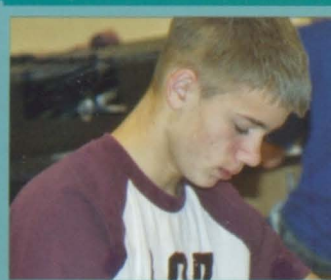
Seth Severson
Catherine Shaffer
Jaime Sieg
Jaime Sieg
Isaac Siegel
Naomi Sobiech

Chelsea Spear
Will Tweed
Ben Wahl
Tanner Walker
Joseph Whalen
Candace Wiese

Nathaniel Ziwisky



Jasmine McGeary and Nikita Barka showing good teamwork in Mr. Henrich's class.



Clockwise: Gina Huth handing off a ball during Phy. Ed. Jordan Berry working hard in Mr. B's class. Teddy Sauers receiving help from Mrs. Felton. Teresa Pritzl taking a break from her studies.

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8TH GRADE PLAY

As the new Middle School Track season rolled around, so did some new faces which included two new coaches, of Coaches Gilles and Lien. The coaches really enjoyed the season because they ended up coaching 12 broken Middle School records and a broken meet record at Osseo-Fairchild. Coach Gilles said that one of the best parts of coaching this season was watching the boys' and girls' 4x100 meter relays. Even though Coach Gilles had a blast coaching this group of really talented and hardworking athletes, he looked forward to the new season as he becomes the High School Track coach.



2008 Records

BOYS

High Jump 5'2" Scott Halvorson
100 M Dash 12.48 Zachary Kirchoff
200 M Dash 26.28 Zachary Kirchoff
1600 M Run 5:45.2 Daniel Gjerseeth
4x100 M Relay 53.83

Scott Halvorson, Alex Sell, Daniel Gjerseeth, Zachary Kirchoff

GIRLS

High Jump 4'10" Courtney Voorhies
Shot Put 32'7" Molly Perkovich
200 M Dash 31.9 Molly Perkovich
800 M Run 2:56.96 Madi Raether
1600 M Run 6:34.7 Jenna Hoekstra
4x100 M Relay 62.34
 Chanel Ludwig, Allie Nelson, Courtney Voorhies, Amanda Schneider
4x200 M Relay 2:26.72
 Desyre Klindworth, Amber Herrick, Kate Herold, Angelle Solie



Back Row Left: Coach Lien, Skyler Bertrang, Courtney Voorhies, Tanner Walker, Scott Halvorson, Kyle Ellwood, Daniel Gjerseeth, Marshall Mayer, Jessica Schiller, Coach Gilles Third Row Left: Damon Hadorn-Papke, Matthew Schick, Madi Raether, Kaitlynn Herold, Allison Nelson, Chanel Ludwig, Matthew Purdun, Jenna Hoekstra, Steve Bertram Second Row Left: Jordan Beenken, Molly Perkovich, Aaron Pritzi, Alex Sell, Keats King, Issac Siegel, Zachary Kirchoff, Scott LaRose, Amanda Schneider Front Row Left: Desyre Klindworth, Jason Kelnhofer, Anissa Thompson, Zachary Williams, Denise Bustamante, Angelle Solie, Simone Sommers, Seth Severson, Gage Michael

My thoughts before a big race are usually pretty simple. I tell myself: Get out of the blocks, run your race, stay relaxed. If you run your race, you'll win... channel your energy. Focus.
 -Carl Lewis

MS THE COW TIPPERS

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Austin Stensen, Jordan Beenken, Taylor Zamora, Aaron Pritzl, and Skylar Bertrang were the cows in the Cow Tippers



Mandi Raether and Steve Bertram



Taylor Mayenschein and Harley Brown were the main characters in the Cow Tippers.



Chanel Ludwig and Simone Sommers "Make up girls"



Alex Sell played Cowboy



Zachery Kirchoff, Jenna Hoekstra, and Krystal Spencer played detectives.



Denise Bustamante, Amanda Schneider, and Jessica Schiller played teachers

The class of 2012 presented "The Cow Tippers" under the direction of Mrs. Maenner. They had three performances, two for the community and one for the school to enjoy during May 8th and 9th at the community center. The two main characters were Taylor Mayenschein who played the teacher and Harley Brown who played the janitor. But everyone in the play was just as important.

When second semester arrived students tried out for the play. The main characters had the theater exploratory class to learn the skills. Mrs. Maenner's favorite memory from the play was the curtain call. When it opens everyone is smiling and

clapping. "It's like pulling it off and doing a nice job." said

Mrs. Maenner. When Mrs. Maenner picks out the play she tried to make it funnier than the years before.

Steve Bertram's favorite part of the play was Mrs. Maenner made the students round around the gym because they weren't motivated.

Steve said that it helped him to get more motivated for the play. Alex Sell who played cowboy and Allison Nelson who played the student Willma said their favorite memory from the play was when

Keats King fell off the stage during the "Impossible Mission" Scene.



Front Row Left: Chanel Ludwig, Courtney Voorhies, Simone Sommers, Krystal Spencer, Matt Grunewald, Cory Kirchoff, Allison Nelson, Billy Jo Brown, Aaron Pritzl, Austin Stensen, Taylor Zamora, Luke Johnson, Jason Kelnhofer, Zach Williams, Jenna Hoekstra, Alex Sell, Anissa Thompson, Taylor Mayenschein, Jessica Schiller, Amanda Schneider, Denise Bustamante, Skylar Bertrang, Jordan Beenken, Amy Schick, Heather Sobiech, Brett Lewallen, Mackenzie Sperber, Scott LaRose, Steve Bertram, Mandi Raether, Zach Kirchoff, Keats King, Harley Brown, Kyle Berlin, and Casey Reetz.



Luke Johnson, Kyle Berlin, Casey Reetz, Scott Halvorson, Riley McCormick, and Brett Lewallen

IN IT TO WIN IT!



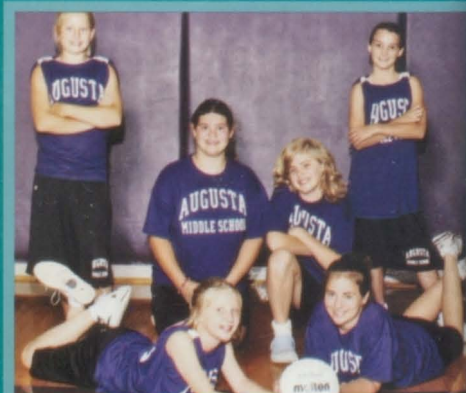
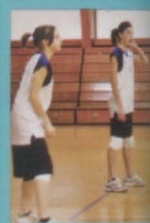
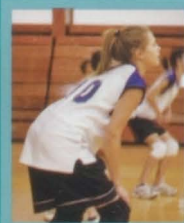
Top: 7th grade team discussing plays against Osseo. Middle: 8th grade team discussing before the game starts. Bottom: 13 Audrey Harriman and 15 Kate Herold sharing excitement after scoring a point.

8th grade: Starting from the back Coach Mayer, 2-Brittney Bertrang, 13-Teresa Pritzl, 7-Jeanne Hudson, 10-Catherine Shaffer, 4-Candi Weiss, 9-Brittany Lee, 5-Chelsea Spear



We're in it to win it! One of the most frequently used sayings on the volleyball court. The Middle School Volleyball teams consist of two teams that were made from the 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. Coach Mayer said, "The beginning of the season was kind of ruff but at the end, they learned to work harder as a team and were very competitive." She also says the players were "very respectful" to one another and always are "boosting each other up." There were many good memories of the team. The best memory would have to be when they played the away game at Osseo and the girls finally caught on and used

the skills I had taught them," Said Coach Mayer, "I'm so proud of my girls." Coach Mayer says "It is important to instill good work ethic and find the importance to have fun. Play with a passion and desire or volleyball is not the thing for you."



7th Grade: In the back 13-Audrey Harriman, 51-Amber Herrick, 25-Angelle Solie, 15 Kate Herold, 48-Desyre Dallas Hawkins, Alexa Gutshall, Darin Klindworth, 11-Brooklynn Bruder, 23-Tayler Hess, 50- Nelson, Devon Shilka, Kayla Erdman. Shelby Rios, 12-Courtney Shaffer.



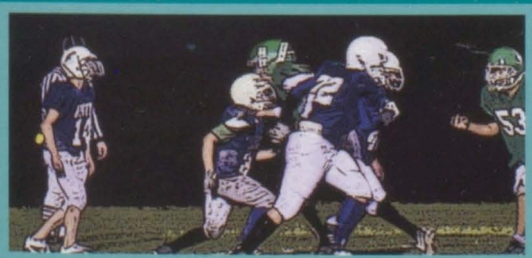


Coach Sigurdson, Jordan Berry, Tanner Walker, Mike Barton, Isaac Siegel, Jesse Joles, Zach Nelson, Jaime Sieg, Joe Whalen, Arthur Bustamante, Seth Severson, and Coach Hadorn



Kyle Priest, Nick Larson, Calvin Mayer, Connor Larson, Marshall Mayer, Blake Soile, Trevor Barka, Damin Hadorn-Papke, Eric Emborsky, Dylan Guse, Cole Cleasby, Matthew Stanek, Samuel Goberville, Austin Lewallen, Quinn Kirchoff, Andrew Zebell, Brad Grunewald, James Goings, Jordan Cernillo, Nathaniel Goodell, Brandon Kimball, Jamie Brown, Matt Schick, Jack Schneider, Logan Green, Logan Swift, Troy Zimmerman, Michael Schroeder, and Alex Knutson.

It was a rough season for the 8th grade team as they went 0-6, but despite the record there were few faces we could expect to see on the JV squad including Tanner Walker, Joe Whalen, and Jessie Joles. The 7th grade on the other hand had a rather exciting season as they went 2-2-1 tying Osseo-Fairchild and beating Eleva Strum and Regis both at home. They had an abundance of talent in this grade having Marshall Walker, Bradley Grunewald, Trevor Barka, and Alex Knutson. The 6th graders also have a bright future only playing two games against the Eau Claire YMCA and losing both of the games against them, but the numbers of players, which was more than 20, would over ride the loses and maybe help change the varsity level playing ability for the future.



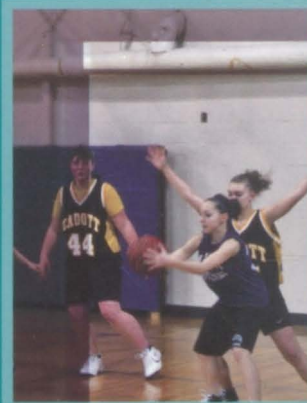
Above: The game against Regis when we beat them.

Above and to the Right: Coach is giving a talk to the team at half time as they lead the game 12 to 0.



THE YEAR IN ACTION





Coach Cleasby, Katelyn Randall, Alexa Gutshall, Kataryna Hawkins, Maryatt Karstensen, Kayla Erdman, Devon Shilka, Halle Luedtke, Chelsie Anger, Danielle Nelson.



Kaitlynn Herold, Amber Herrick, Brittney Bertrang, Desyre Klindworth, Audrey Harriman, Coach Jarocki, Courtney Shaffer, Catherine Shaffer, Chelsea Spear, Tayler Hess.



"The team really came together from when they first started this season," said Coach Jarocki. Building up their defense helped them to play better individually and as a team. "I am really excited to save what we have made as a team and play together in high school," said team captain Catherine Shaffer. Basketball wasn't all about having fun and being silly, the girls learned to lock down and focus on the game. All that aside, Brittney Bertrang said that, "Mr. Jarocki had his serious moments, but I'll never forget the time in practice when we knocked him over during a drill." The only virus that the middle school girls had was their size compared to other schools. Coach Jarocki was open minded when it came to his players, he listened to what they had to say and tried new things. Before the girls hit the court, he made sure they were comfortable running different plays and were ready to go out and do their best. Downloading down the court is eighth grader Catherine Shaffer and Amber Herrick, a seventh grader. Opening up the folder entitled 6th grade you will find many memories. "Osseo was a really exciting game" quotes Danielle Nelson. The girls played really well as a team. Winning in the fourth quarter helped them keep momentum. The girls lost by 3 points but said they really had a good time. Kayla Erdman scored a 3 pointer during the game. As many girls upload to high school, they are excited to play basketball again as a team. This is an experience to save in a folder and open to show a great experience.

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CHOIR



Back Row: Coach Clark, Robert Edwards, Isaac Siegel, Jordan Berry, and Joseph Whalen. Front Row: Aaron Herrick, Jaime Sieg, Zachary Nelson, and Seth Severson.



Left: Zach Nelson has his "pop-up blocker" turned "off" as he shoots over the defender to score a basket.

Right: Aaron Herrick dribbles away from the online predators that are out to get him.



Left: Joseph Whalen and Jaime Sieg "file share" the ball against Chippewa Falls Flight.

Right: Jordan Berry "scans" the floor for defenders before he passes it to his teammate.



The download of the middle school boy's basketball was finally completed. The 8th graders finished 3-8 and the 7th graders finished 9-2. Day after day, the players practiced their game to try and make the team better. As second year coaches, Jeremy Gilbert and Jason Clark enjoyed watching players show their willingness to sacrifice personal goals for the team to win games. "The boys worked so hard to improve;

not only for themselves, but for the team and their parents," said Coach Gilbert. The main thing that the coaches wanted the players to keep from the season was realizing that wins matter in high school more than they do now. Coach Gilbert also commented, "What matters in middle school is staying positive, having fun, and learning to play the game of basketball."



Back Row: Coach Gilbert, Cole Cleasby, Samuel Gooberville, Dylan Guse, Blake Solie, Connor Larson, Calvin Mayer, Jack Schneider, and Coach Clark. Middle Row: Troy Zimmerman, Michael Schroeder, Brandon Kimball, Austin Lewallen, Jordan Cerrillo. Front Row: Jamie Brown, Samuel Witte, Logan Fuller-Swift, and Logan Green.



Back Row: Coach Gilbert, Eric Emborsky, Marshall Mayer, Cody Reetz, Trevor Barka, and Damon Hadorn-Papke. Front Row: Haven Allard, Nathaniel Goodell, Matthew Purdon, Mareano Carrillo, and Bradley Grunewald.

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Middle School Choir had their volume turned up this year when the new director, Mrs. Powell, took over. She began teaching choir because of her love of music which includes Italian songs, and also contemporary Christian songs as well. She had been teaching middle school choir for four years, had a little of experience teaching elementary children and now she came back to directing middle school. When asked if it was tougher to teach Middle School Choir

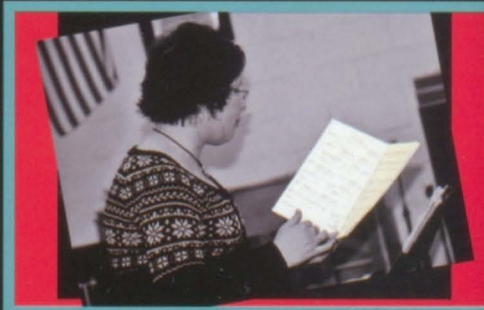
than High School Choir, she responded with "Yes, they are younger and don't take it as seriously, they also have shorter attention spans." Also, she said that the Middle School only met three times a week so there was less time to practice. Class began everyday with students warming up to loosen their voices and to extend their vocal range. Mrs. Powell's goal was to have the students learn to sing in three part harmony, and continue to work on, and get better on, the blend and balance of parts.



The Middle School Choir outputs 4 gigabytes of sound during the Christmas concert.



Mrs. Powell directs the class as they sing along to some jolly Christmas carols.



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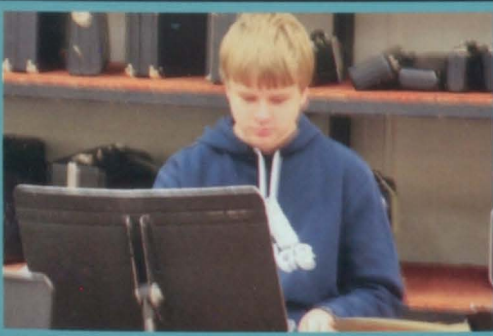
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Middle school band created their own unique music files during the 2008-2009 school year. To be member of this music group you had to have a whole lot of energy and determination. Mrs. Zastrow was able to lead this group of talented middle-schoolers because she enjoyed working with kids and had plenty of patience. She chose the position because the students are unpredictable and full of energy. To be a band student you needed to practice hard, help

critique each other, and use teamwork. The 7th and 8th grade band performed in five concerts during the 2008-2009 school year. The 6th grade band showcased their talent in three concerts. The overall favorite concert for the band was the Pops Concert. For this concert the band members had a lot more input in what they would choose to play. One member said that the pops concert lets them show their own style. Mrs. Zastrow liked seeing what her students enjoyed playing and hearing the new songs.



"Music is what feelings sound like!!"
-Unknown

HEADLiNES!Student Council Members

Top to Bottom:

President: Seth Severson
 Vice President: Teresa Pritzl
 Secretary: Amber Herrick
 Treasurer: Shelby Rios

MIDDLE SCHOOL NETWORK CONTROL

Ms. Judy Dekan had the honor of advising the Middle School Student Council members to the best "links" possible.

The Middle School Student Council Members had very important jobs. Most of the Middle School activities that were decided were confirmed through the council members. Their job may have seemed easy to anyone who didn't know how the program was run, or what they actually do to support the student body. The students council posted they had had a lot of fun. They had the job of planning all the middle school events that happened throughout the school year. They worked hard to make school a better place for not only themselves but everyone around them.

Many members on student council felt honored to be on

the team. President Seth Severson, Vice President Teresa Pritzl, Secretary Amber Herrick, and Treasurer Shelby Rios; had high expectations and goals. The council hoped to change working habits by having incentives (such as movies and games) when students turned work in on time. "I think the ability to make change in my school is the best part of being on student council," said President Seth Severson. They had been working hard to come up with activities and events. They organized dances, field trips, and even tried to connect toys for the needy at Christmas time. The most memorable moment noted by members included the trip to Bruce Mound, just before Christmas break, and going to see the movie "The Tail of Despero." In the future the council members planned to have more time to talk about the things they can do for their school.



Top Right: Hunter Hoffman more than excited to be holding a real live bird.

Middle: Middle School Assembly showing pride for their school

Top Left: Alexa Gutshall gazes off into "cyber space!"

Bottom Right: Rick Koziel shows a group of students how to measure birds.

Bottom Left: Calvin Mayer being introduced with bird by Beaver Creek Volunteer.



Back: Danielle Nelson, Maryatt Karstensen, Jesse Joles, Teresa Pritzl, Amber Herrick, Kayla Lone
 Middle: James Goings, Seth Severson
 Front: Beth Marino, Alexa Gutshall, Angelle Solie, Shelby Rios



Mrs. Lippert harnessed the reins' of the middle forensics for the seventh year joined with Mrs. Skoyen who has three years of experience did it again. They coached the students through four meets which were two invitational's and a level 1 and 2. A demanding group of young students joined the middle school forensics team but ended with a handful left. All students told me that their favorite events of the 18 to choose from were Play Acting and Readers Theaters. They said they enjoyed to do these because they can work in groups with their

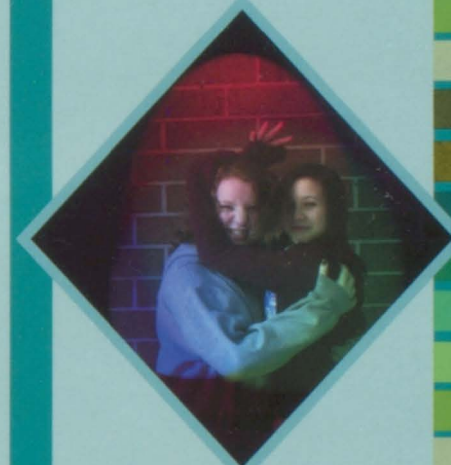
friends. One thing that was said to be most remembered from this year was the bus ride to Northstar Middle School just because it was a crazy ride, and Mrs. Lippert added that she will remember that all of her students were funny and enjoyed to eat all of her food. Last of all Mrs. Lippert had some advice to give her students, she said, "Go out for as many activities as possible just to get the experience of something new."

"WORD ART"

The middle school forensics students meet before there meet



Teresa Pritzl and Amber Herrick pose for photo



Alexa Gutshall stops her studding to give a smiling face.



DOMAIN: WILDLANDS



Three students work on a snowman in a contest to build the highest man made snow sculpture contest during February.



Login: Sam Wold (left) and Isaac Nitz (right).
Password: Wildlands



The shop at Wildlands has all the needs for anybody needing... a shop?



Jordan Miller (left) and Nick Perkovich work quietly on Homework in the high school Lab.

Wildlands offered a unique learning experience for students from several local districts. Run by two Augusta teachers, with its outdoor, hands-on based learning styles, it's no wonder why it attracted students across five counties and students from as far away as Menominee. There were 3 teachers that worked at Wildlands and 42 students. 20 of which were middle schoolers and 22 were high schoolers. The teachers share the responsibilities of teaching courses and many of the days are spent on focusing. Some of the projects they worked on this past year were prairie studies, water quality, deer population census, history projects and many more. Two of the teachers Jeff Hadorn and Paul Tweed agree

that they never get sick of the outdoors, but those days that get 20 below they aren't as fond of. Senior Nick Perkovich enjoyed being at a charter school like Wildlands because of the different experiences he got. One thing that stood out in his mind was the deer population project where they took a census on the population of deer in the surrounding area. Also he enjoyed working outdoors and hands-on and he liked that you could pick the projects you wanted to work on. Most of their time was spent outdoors except in the winter when they focused more on core curriculum such as Math and English, but they still found excuses to get up and stretch their legs such as regular high schoolers do between classes.



Back Row: Mr. Tweed, Jordan Miller, Isaac Nitz, Brandon Felton, Sam Larson, Nick Perkovich, Josiah Wahl, Devin Sprinkle, Aaron Forde, Dan Wiesgalla. Row 3: Mr. Hadorn Nick Schmitt, Alex Gajewsky, Sam Wold, Tyler Degenhardt, Riley McCormick, Max McCormick, Brett Lewallen, Calvin Johnson, Mrs Seubert. Row 2: Mitchell Benner, Will Tweed, Esau Casetta, Nick Larson, Mike Barton, Aaron Gutshall, Chase Haldeman, Derrick Lewallen. Front Row: Damin Hadorn-Papke, Joe Konzen, Sam Wallenfelt, Mikayla Larson, Kyle Schmitt, Moriah Vlcek, Keegan Miller, Molly Hurt, Connor McCormick, Colton Lewallen, Matt Purdun.



Top: Esau Casetta and others construct PowerPoint presentations of an open ended history assignment in the middle school lab

Right: Sophomore Aaron Forde is drawing plans for building a guitar amp in the wildlands shop.

Not Pictured: Brok Benner, Keegan Miller, Megan Raether, Asher Velin, Ben Wahl

Wildlands

SCHOOL



JOIN THE CAUSE



Students Against Destructive Decisions

SADD became a peer-to-peer education, prevention, and activism organization dedicated to preventing destructive decisions. This group mainly focuses on issues concerning underage drinking, other drug use, risky and impaired driving, teen violence, and teen suicide. Students have noticed that positive peer pressure, environmental strategies, and role modeling help students prevent destructive decisions, and set a healthier, safer course for their lives. Augusta recently started a SADD group. SADD planned activities for the whole school to be involved in through the year. The main activity that was planned is the car crash demonstration, from teens drinking and driving after prom. Sacred Heart Hospital was also involved, they sent over the helicopter, ambulance, and local law enforcement supported the efforts of the SADD group with an officer that spoke about the importance of healthy choices. That same day we had a grim reaper that went around and pulled kids from class. The kids got tape on their mouths and their faces painted white. Every 32 minutes we pulled a person from class to represent that every 32 minutes a person dies from a destructive decision. SADD is always open to new people joining on supporting healthy choices among the students and community members in Augusta.

Group Leader



Members



SADD

Sherry Gutsch
Leah Grams
Jaimie Herrick
Denise Bustamante
Alex Ferro
Kayla Huth
Erin Nelson

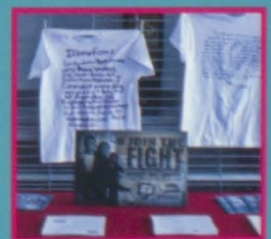
FACT

Alex Ferro
Jaimie Herrick
Erin Nelson
Leah Grams
Paige Taylor
Chelsie Kelly
Sam Rios
Denise Bustamante



Fighting Against Corporate Tobacco

FACT is a youth led movement that takes action to create change. They do this by exposing big tobacco's dirty little secrets and deceptive practices. Tobacco companies will never admit this but they kill around 1200 people a year. The companies spend more than 40 million dollars to advertise the product, and there main target is teenagers by implying smoking is cool and "all grown up." To get the message out that the Big Tobacco is cheating people, Wisconsin recruited around 300 teens to plan activities that would bring the awareness to the public. This year we started a FACT group here at Augusta. Some of the activities that have happened is, Spraying chalk on the side of Live wire saying Big Tobacco Lies, and sharing stories about how smoking has hurt people's lives on tee-shirts. The FACT team encourages students to team up next year, so come join the fight!



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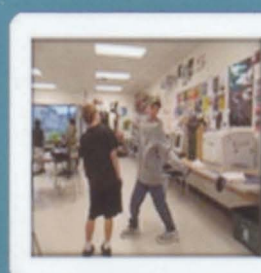
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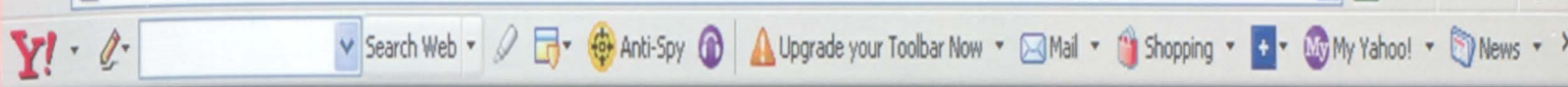
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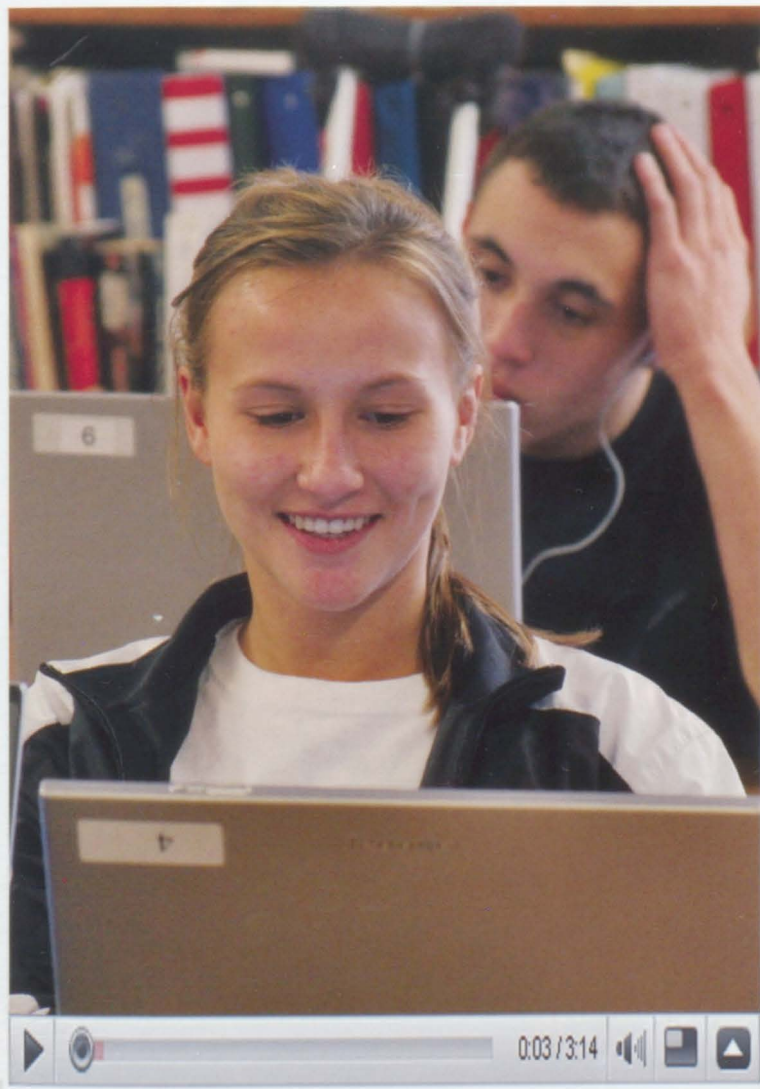


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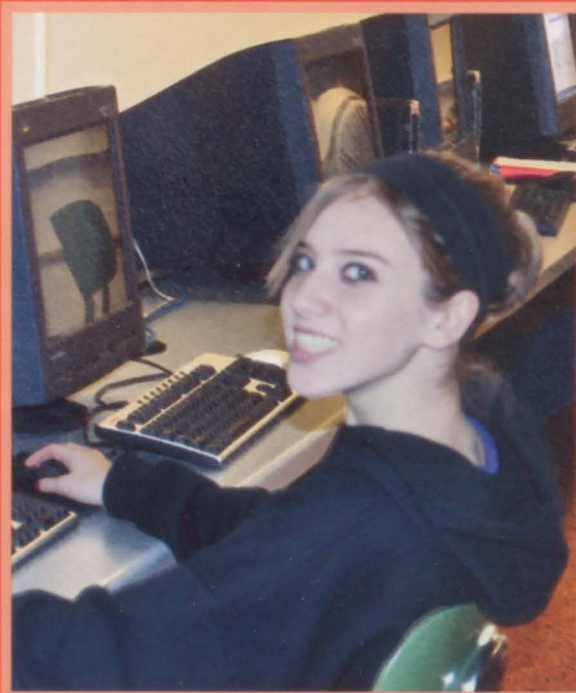
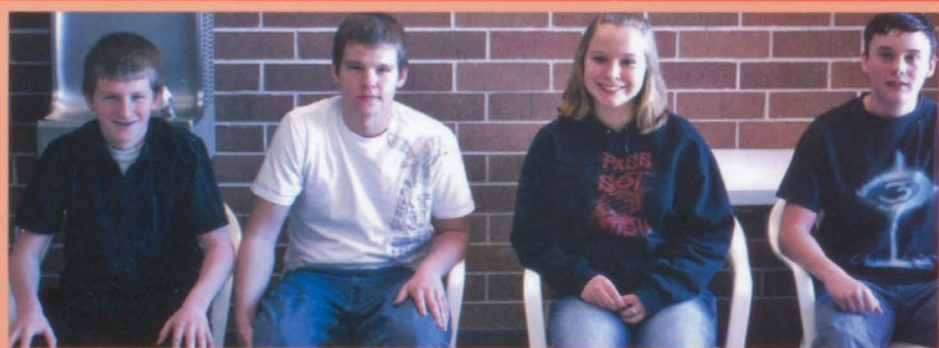


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 Bailey Hanson
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 Zachary Kirchoff
 Scott Larose



Top Picture: Class officers Matthew Grunewald, Keats King, Annisa Thompson, Zachary Williams. Right Side: Courtney Voorhies stops playing her games to pose for a picture. Bottom Left: Zachary Kirchoff and Simone Sommers. Bottom Right: Lucas Green putting up chairs to help Skip out.

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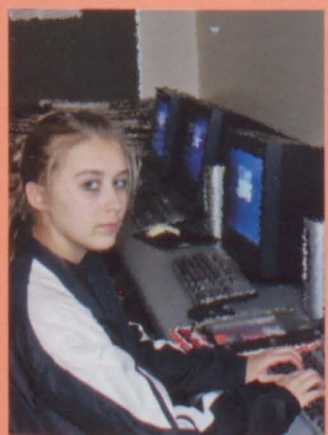
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Far Left: Molly Perkovich hard at work in the computer lab. Top Middle: Jenna Hoekstra and Mandi Raether sitting in the IMC trading gossip. Bottom Middle: Mackenzie Sperber paints a colorful master peice. Far Right: Alaina Memmer is deep in thought of what to draw.

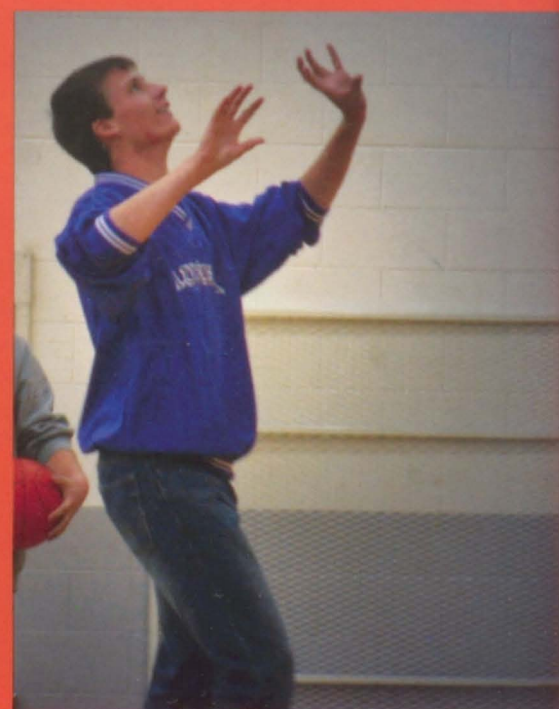
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Kody Grimm
Stephanie Guntner

Cory Hamman
Scott Hammond
Matthew Haubrich
Andrew Hazard
Brandon Hazard
Caitlin Henke

Tyrel Hess
Jessica Hodge
Tamara Howlett
Weston Huth
Canaan King
Joshua Kunz



Top Left: Cory H. Jammin out and studying, Josh Peterson kickin it back, Abby Whalen in Sig's class, David Zimmerman cashes some net. Class Advisors posted in top center; John Stabenow, A.J. Ortega, Christian Larson, Tyrel Hess.



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Montana Lund

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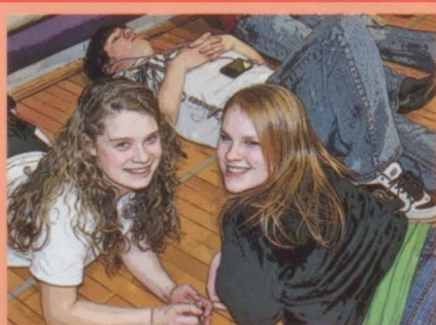
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Dion Shilka and Matthew Severson checking their facebook and Myspace.



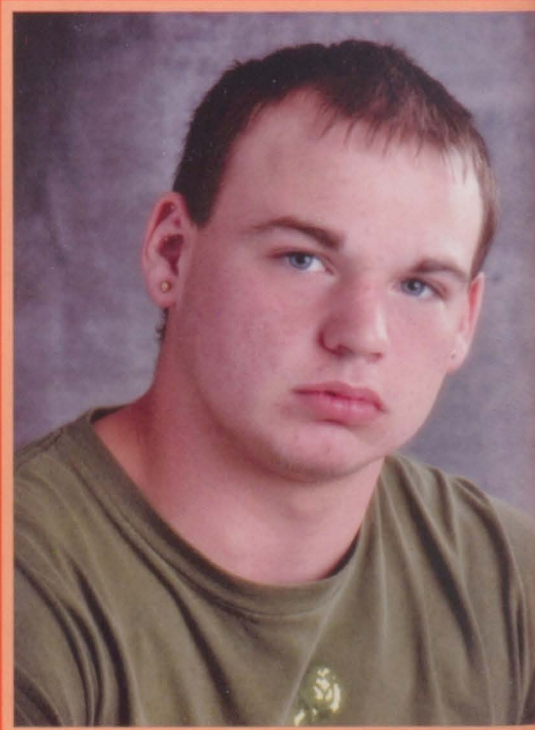
Sara Goss and Shelby Reetz gossiping about their latest wall posts on facebook.



Mallory Lee enjoying her time in study hall looking for songs to download on I-Tunes for her I-Pod.



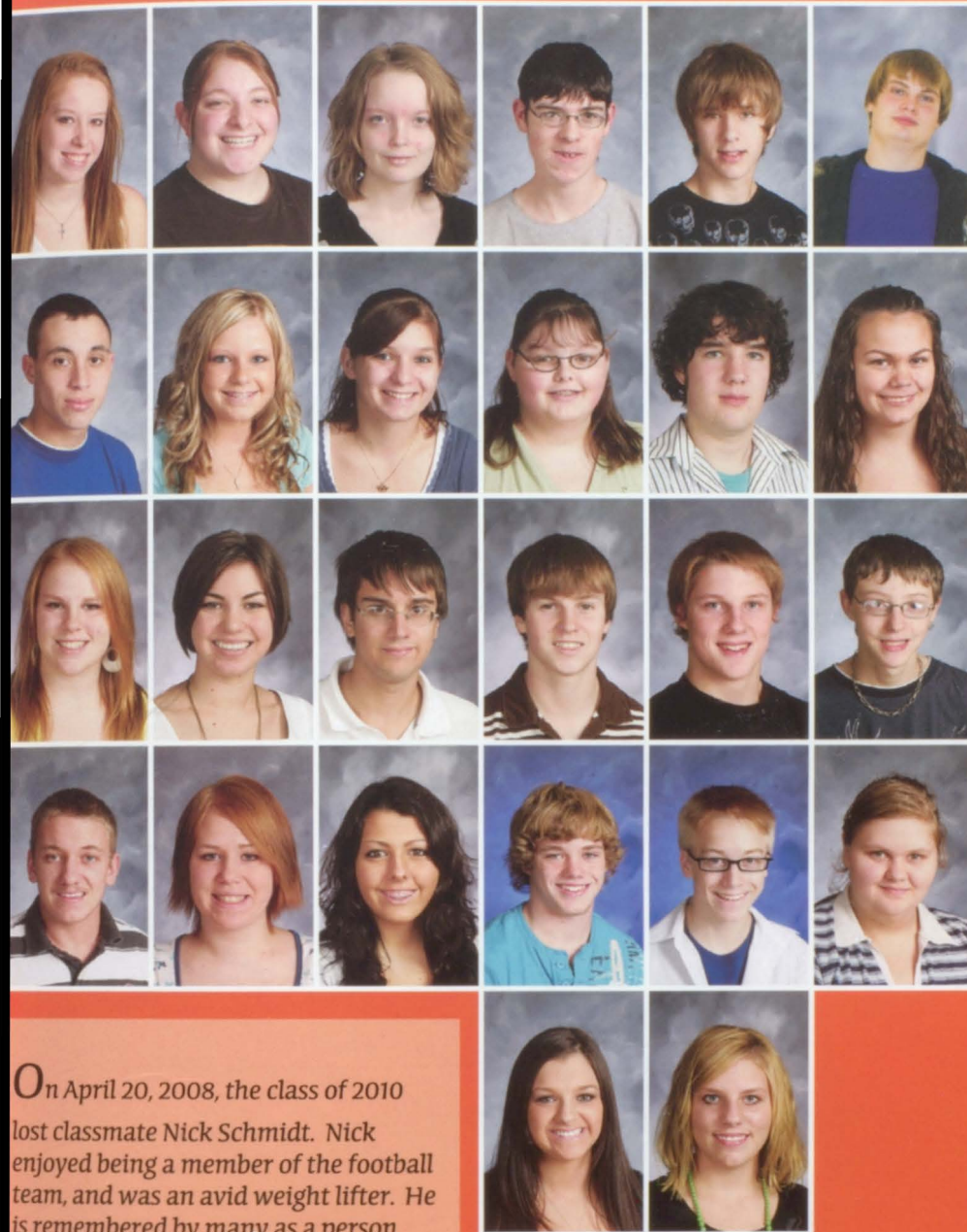
Molly Rosentreter and Sydney Anderson reviewing for their French II exam.



Nick Schmidt

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Katie Wolfram

Renae Yoder
Marissa Yule

On April 20, 2008, the class of 2010 lost classmate Nick Schmidt. Nick enjoyed being a member of the football team, and was an avid weight lifter. He is remembered by many as a person who lived life to the fullest with a certain degree of spontaneity. He enjoyed music, whether it was by himself with his iPod, or with a group of his friends. Many also remember him as a friend who was constantly entertaining others, and a person numerous people enjoyed spending time with. Even though he cannot be with us, let his memory live on in our laughter.





PHISHING IN FOREIGN WATERS

This year Augusta School district hosted eight new foreign exchange students. They were Jesus Ceballos from Venezuela, and Je Bum Tak, In Seob Lee, Na Yeon Hun, Hee Sun Jang, Moon Hyun Nam, Chan Park, and chaperone Eun Yong Lee all from South Korea. Jesus Ceballos arrived in Augusta early February 2008. He was 19 and involved in track, baseball, and football. His favorite sport was baseball because he started for the Junior Varsity. He also enjoyed being active in track running the 800M dash and football where he was the back-up running back for JV team. Jesus also enjoyed hanging out with friends at the local drive in after practice. One of Jesus' most favorite memories was when he was voted Homecoming King. After departing from all of his friends in Augusta he eventually flew 13

hours back to his home town of Porlamor, Venezuela. Even though the eight South Korean students were here for only 24 days they really enjoyed their stay here in Augusta. While visiting Wisconsin they made many new friends. They said that their favorite thing while they were here was when they went to Minneapolis and St. Paul to visit the Mall of America, Science Museum, and a Korean food store. Their favorite thing to do in Augusta was to go watch the UW-Eau Claire Blugolds play hockey. Some of their favorite American foods were macaroni & cheese, pizza, and fried chicken. Eun Yong said that one of the most memorable moments while in the U.S. was watching president Obama's inauguration.



The Augusta United Methodist Church brought seven South Korean middle- and -high school students Chan Park, Hee Seon, Je Bum Tak, Na Yeon Han, In Seob Lee, Eun Young Lee, and Moon Hyun Nam.

"There are no foreign lands. It is the traveler only who is foreign."
Robert Louis Stevenson



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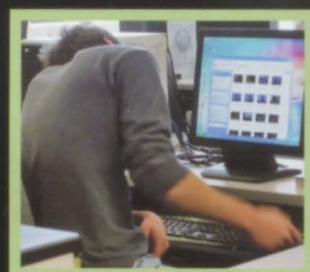
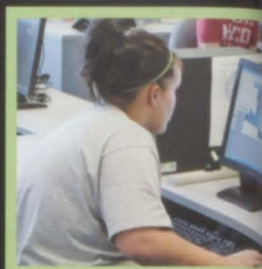
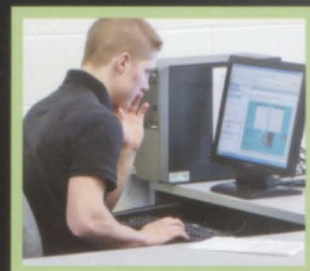
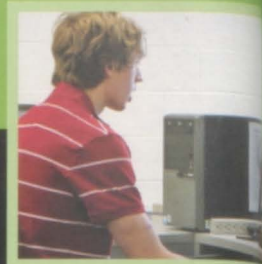
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CONTROL PANEL

A staff of 20 bloggers set out to complete this year's theme of Mybook, a combination of the popular social networking sites MySpace and Facebook. Mr. Catt, the administrator, used a fast connection to download the annual staff who would write the code for the yearbook. First time Editors, Valarie Dehnke and Paige Taylor, made sure things were completed in the world wide web of staff members. The Business Editors, Brandin Henke, Sherry Gutsch, Jessica

Casetta, and Molly Rosentreter, completed their work as well completing the role of Business Editors. The staff split up the task of creating the pages, taking and uploading pictures, writing copies, and designing the ever so crucial layouts. By using Adobe Photoshop, the staff was able to enhance all the pictures you see in this book. Students worked through the class hour, as well as after school sessions to get this yearbook finished glitch free.



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Paige Taylor, Brandin Henke, and Val Dehnke plan out the ladder for the yearbook.



Christian Berry and Jessica Casetta glance over past years yearbooks as they look for inspiration.



Sherry Gutsch and Brandin Henke work together to find perfect layout for their pages.



From top left: Brandin Henke, Alex Tompkins, Brad Messerschmidt, Kevin Kickbusch (Row 3) Val Dehnke, Sherry Gutsch, Jessica Casetta, Molly Rosentreter, Stephanie Goss, Steve Scharein (Row 2) Cullen Gabler, Sam Rios, Sara Goss, Clinton Grant, Amanda Robinson, Paige Taylor (Row 1) Dion Shilka, Andrew Gutshall, Leah Grams, Christian Berry

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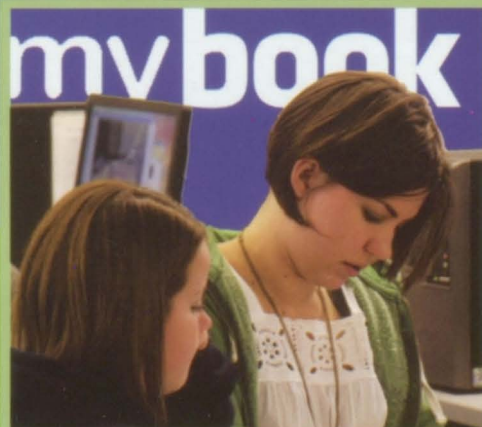
Left: The fearless leaders of Annual Staff, Paige Taylor and Val Dehnke.

Right: The Business Editors, Sherry Gutsch, Brandin Henke, Molly Rosentreter, and Jessica Casetta, take a screenshot for the yearbook.

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Jessica Casetta jams to some tunes as she photoshops pictures for her flag's page.



Bloggers Amanda Robinson and Molly Rosentreter brainstorm their new layout.



Andrew Gutshall and Alex Tompkins tally the results of their survey they had given to the senior class.

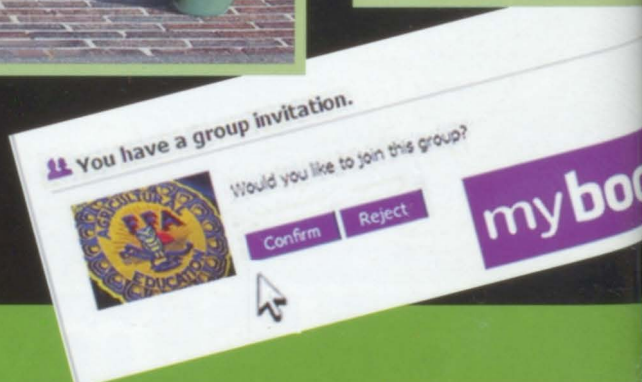
INSTALLLING APPLICATION: LEADERSHIP

Among the many applications you could install from the MyBook FFA Group, the "Leadership App" was definitely downloaded most frequently. Vice President Alicia Goss, junior, said, "I gained a lot from being a member of FFA, especially leadership skills." But what else has FFA imported to its members? According to the FFA advisor Ms. Schlough, members also acquired "Communication skills, the opportunity to experience a variety of activities, and become more well rounded individuals." Throughout the total runtime of FFA the members sold fruit as a fundraising activity, participated in speaking contests and workshops, and did volunteer work. In June, sophomore David Zimmerman, juniors Kate Berlin and Shelby Reetz and senior Amanda Robinson, along with advisor Ms. Schlough road tripped to the east coast for WLC, Washington Leadership Conference. The crew was kept busy the entire time, between touring Hershey World and Gettysburg Battlefield, both in Pennsylvania, to exploring the tourist attractions and numerous monuments in Washington D.C., including the National Zoo, Washington Monument, and Lincoln Memorial. Throughout this experience, they also were educated on how to reincorporate Service Learning Projects to their hometown networks. With the help of FFA members from across the nation, also attending WLC, a Service Learning Project of sorting sweet potatoes was completed. Although it was sad to

exit, the members were given a free pair of Timberland Boots for their hard work and enthusiasm! Once again, in October, a group of FFA members hit the road searching for Indianapolis, Indiana for National Leadership Convention. Attendees were freshmen Kyle Berlin and Austin Stensen, junior Kayla Kurtti, senior Beth Pettis, and advisor Ms. Schlough. "We toured a honey bee farm and popcorn factory," said Ms. Schlough. "We also visited Indianapolis Motor Speedway, went to a rodeo, a Taylor Swift Concert, a huge career fair, and got to listen to numerous FFA speakers." The National Leadership Convention displayed ways for members to become better leaders in FFA and also gave them the opportunity to meet and connect with FFA members from the across the United States. When the members weren't at conventions or conferences you could find them at the numerous fun activities, which included a trip to Mall of America and a UWEC Blugold's hockey game. Freshman member Zachary Kirchoff looked forward to attending the fun activities. "It was a great part of being in FFA" he mentioned. Once a week during lunch, the group tried to connect to post upcoming events, comment on chapter involvement, and open new discussion boards on the monthly activity. FFA members stayed active through the year and were regularly updating their statuses. If you're interested in joining the FFA group log onto MyBook and send a request to FFA. According to Ms. Schlough, you will be accepted as a member of the group "as soon as you pay the dues!"



The group visits the famous Indianapolis Motor Speedway in October, while in Indianapolis for National Convention. Junior Kayla Kurtti, senior Elizabeth Pettis, advisor Ms. Schlough, and freshman Kyle Berlin and Austin Stensen 'kiss the bricks,' connecting with the tradition.



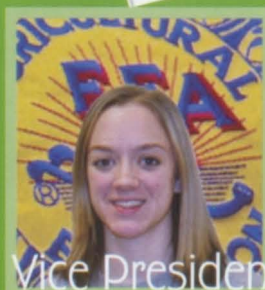
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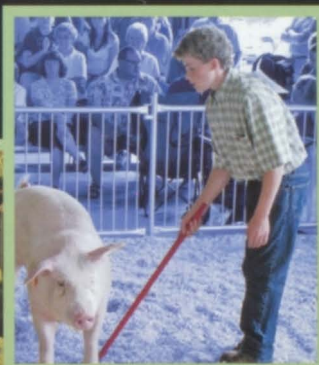
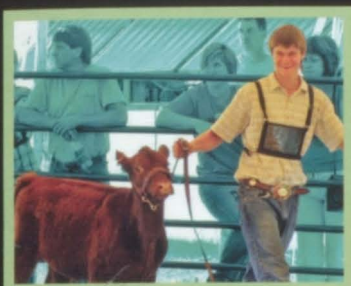
Amanda Robinson



junior Alicia Goss, senior Elizabeth Pettis, junior Kate Berlin, senior Amanda Robinson, and juniors Shelby Reetz, and Devin Hadorn-Papke confirm their attendance to the 2008 Summer Officer Retreat upon their arrival to camp.



While heading off to the Bean and Bacon Days Parade, FFA members freshman Kyle Berlin and Courtney Voorhies, juniors Megan Pettis and Kate Berlin, and Senior Amanda Robinson proudly post their motto.

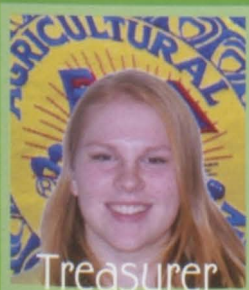


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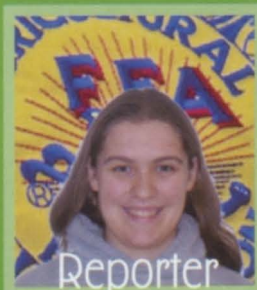
At Washington Leadership Conference in June senior Amanda Robinson, juniors Shelby Reetz and Kate Berlin, and sophomore David Zimmerman backspaced in time to the Battlefield of Gettysburg.

FFA Program is preparing to load their future chapter by getting middle school students intrigued about FFA through the FIRE Conference. Pictured are seventh graders Cheyenne Hoffman, Nathaniel Goodell, Bradley Grunewald, Courtney Shaffer, Kaitlynn Herold, Desyre Klindworth, and Blake Bethke



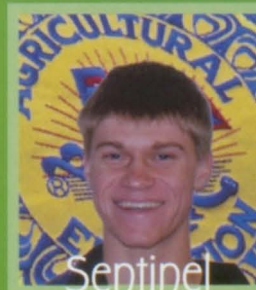
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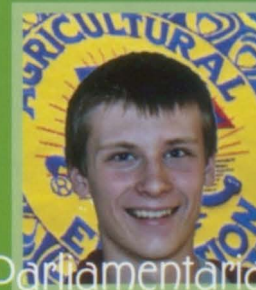
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Elizabeth Pettis



Sentinel

Devin Hadorn-Papke



Parliamentarian

David Zimmerman

FCCLA

FAMILY, CAREER AND COMMUNITY LEADERS OF AMERICA

If you have an active account in FCCLA, you learned personal growth and leadership development through Family and Consumer Sciences Education. Members developed skills for life through character development, creative and critical thinking, knowledge, and vocational preparation. Members of the Augusta chapter included Catherine Pettis (President), Katie Gieger (Vice President), Jessica Montonya (Activities Director) and Krystie Reid (Public Records). While

participating in FCCLA, these members gained leadership, and used skills from the classroom to achieve their goals. Achieving goals and gaining leadership weren't the only skills that they learned. Other skills included planning, decision making, and interpersonal communications. These were all necessary in the home and workplace. FCCLA was a group for students to learn leadership ideas in many different areas. One area members all agreed upon was that a positive experience it was to be involved in FCCLA.



Ashley Hyett
volunteering her time at the community
breakfast.

Director: Mrs. Burback



Back Row: Mrs. Burback, Megan Pettis, Sarah Richardson, Jessica Montonya, Karlee Dusso, Catherine Pettis
Front Row: Kaitlyn Geiger, Montana Lund, Kristyn Reid



Don't tell people how to do things, tell them what to do
and let them surprise you with their results.
-George S. Patton

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The talented FCCLA members frosted this cake like pro's using their recently installed frosting skills.



The FCCLA members Chillin' with Sharky at the Mall of America.



FCCLA Banquet

Left: Catherine Pettis, Cassie Larson, Ashley Hyett, Cassie Pettis



Cassie Pettis, Ashley Hyett, Cassie Larson, Kaitlyn Geiger, Jessica Montonya, and Catherine Pettis display their FCCLA settings with their member shirts.

HARDWARE EXPERTS

Vocational Industrial Clubs of America

Mr. Sands, the organizer and leader of V.I.C.A. (a.k.a. Skills U.S.A.), was ready and set this year to take his team which consisted of Scott LaRose, Austin Ramsden, Joshua Markham, Constance Guntner, Steve Bertram, Harley Brown, Luke Johnson, Joshua Kunz, Mackenzie Sperber, Max McCormick, and Joshua Wampole to a first place in the garden tractor pulls. Mr. Sands and his team planned on turning an old Wisconsin motor

into an alcohol burning champion puller. He hoped to get help from long time member Joshua Wampole. To help fund this fun project, they planned on helping out with concessions and selling cookie dough. According to new Skills U.S.A. member Steve Bertram, he really enjoys being a part of this program and he said that he joined to receive skills and techniques that will help him throughout his life.



The adviser Mr. Sands taking time out of his busy schedule to pose for this picture.



Active Members: Austin Ramsden, Steve Bertram, Harley Brown, Scott LaRose, Luke Johnson, Joshua Kunz, Mackenzie Sperber, and Mr. Sands
Not Pictured: Joshua Markham, Constance Guntner, Max McCormick, and Joshua Wampole



Mr. Sands milling the head on his garden tractor pull motor to try on get more compression out of it.



Constance Guntner cutting a piece of wood for her project.



Working hard on his assignment is Scott LaRose.



Joshua Markham helping Mr. Sands with the garden tractor.

BUSINESS NETWORKING

Future Business Leaders of America

Where could you find a virtual business experience and valuable business knowledge? In the Business Network! Over the duration of FBLA runtime the business network was heavily explored by members of the 2008-2009 FBLA Chapter. In October, the members generated an FBLA scarecrow for Beautify Augusta. The scarecrow became the unofficial FBLA mascot, complete with Monopoly money hair and silver dollar eyes. Dressed in business attire with cell phone literally pasted to his ear and an FBLA clipboard in his hand, he earned the name 'Bob the Business Man'. Next, members searched for volunteer opportunities throughout the Business Network. The first gigabyte of volunteer work was completed in cooperation with the FFA chapter. The annual Trick or Treat for the Augusta Food Pantry was an operation success! Members from FBLA and FFA helped to prepare collection bags, output them to the Augusta community, gather them on Halloween night, and sort through their contents at the Food Pantry. The next volunteer outing was downloaded at Beaver Creek Reserve, where members lent a hand at The Candlelit Snowshoe Hike. Some members served hot

chocolate to the snowshoers, and others monitored the snow shoe trails. After completing those local volunteer tasks, the FBLA group expanded their volunteer ventures to other areas in the Eau Claire County. When members weren't searching for volunteer operations, they were busy preparing for their competitive FBLA events. "One of this chapter's strengths was being better prepared for competition," posted Mr. Catt. On February 7th, at Regional Leadership Conference in Superior, Wisconsin the FBLA chapter was in fierce competition mode. The events were different for each member and included tests on marketing, business calculations, or accounting and creating electronic career portfolios or web pages. From there, senior Brandin Henke and juniors Jessica Casetta and Molly Rosentreter were forwarded to the State Leadership Conference in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on April 2nd and 3rd. Also over the extent of FBLA's run time, the members toured businesses both in the Local Business Network and the Regional Business Network. Sophomore member Austin Ramsden comments "The tours helped me learn more about business concepts." The tours offered insight to how businesses function. Members copied and pasted information from all their outings to their internal hard drives for use as Future Business Leaders of America.

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Senior Clinton Grant (top below) and Sophomore Austin Ramsden (bottom below) 'log in' during lunch to prepare for their FBLA events.

Displaying the results from Trick or Treat for the Augusta Food Pantry is senior Brandin Henke.



From left to right uploading their gigabyte smiles are: Austin Ramsden, Clinton Grant, Sherry Gutsch, Victoria McConville, Jessica Casetta, Bob the Business Man, Mr. Catt, Caitlin Henke, Erin Nelson, Leah Grams, Kayla Huth, Molly Rosentreter.

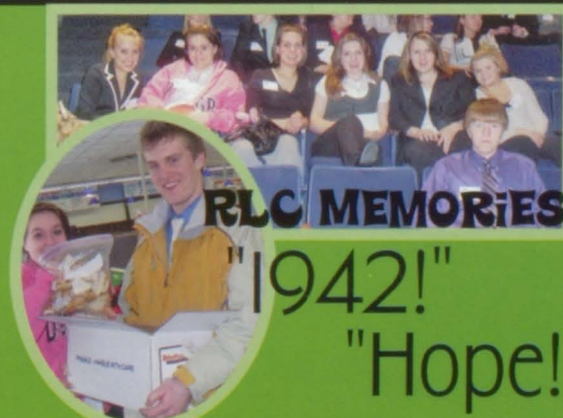


Leah Grams -excited for the FBLA competition, even though I have to get up at 3 a.m. :0

48 minutes ago



Juniors Molly Rosentreter and Jessica Casetta 'copy and paste' valuable competition information from one mind to another in order to study for their FBLA events.



"1942!"
"Hope!"

BANDWIDTH

Senior Jaimie Herrick said she loved being in band this year because she was able to be with her friends. She enjoyed playing the new music the band used. Jaimie knew when her high school career was over she would really miss band. Samantha Rios, Flutist enjoyed band because she could choose to be there and expand her knowledge about music. Fellow flutist, Sherry Gutsch enjoyed playing the tribute to Disney. 19 year veteran band teacher Mrs. Zastrow, stays in education because she loves teaching band to students. This year she said she really enjoyed getting to know the students and how they were all unique.

Mrs. Zastrow really got along with her students as well and she said they all performed well. Some of her favorite pieces this year were "Sound of Snakes" and "Holiday for Horns." Playing Lincoln Leagues at Large Group festival this year was another highlight, but she never has a favorite concert because she loves doing them all. For the first semester of this year Mrs. Zastrow had a student teacher, Mr. Kanselman. She liked having a student teacher but sometimes she missed being in front and conducting. Mrs. Zastrow always looked forward to seeing new faces and some familiar ones the following year; she said it's the beauty of the job, but was tough to see them leave.



A PAINTER PAINTS PICTURES ON CANVAS. BUT MUSICIANS PAINT THEIR PICTURES ON SILENCE.
~LEOPOLD STOKOWSKI



Top: Trumpets: Austin Stenson Victoria McConoville, David Zimmerman, Allison Pieper, and Cashlon Warner.

Right: The saxophoners jazzin' it in band class.



"If you fail to honor others, they will fail to honor you."

"WITHOUT MUSIC, LIFE WOULD BE A MISTAKE." - FRIEDRICH NIETZSCHE





Christian Larson, Weston Huth, Matthew Severson, Scott Halvorson, Mandi Raether, Jenna Hoekstra, Aaron Pritzl, Austin Stensen, Matthew Grunewald, Anissa Thompson, Cashton Warner, Kristyn Reid, Kaitlyn Geiger, David Zimmerman, Alicia Goss, Lindsey Berg, Devin Hadorn-Papke, Allison Pieper, Caitlin Henke, Victoria McConville, Jamie Purdun, Chanel Ludwig, Taylor Mayenschein, Alexandra Fierro, Dustin Reid, Emily Voorhies, Jazmin Jones, Heather Sobiech, Mr. Kancelman, Denise Bustamante, Alvin Ortega, Kristina Gerike, Marissa Yule, Karley Travis, Shelby Reetz, Jaimie Herrick, Melissa Erdman, Sherry Gutsch, Allison Nelson, Jessica Schiller



To the right: Mr. Kancelman conducts at the fall concert for the first time in front of an Augusta audience.

Below: Aaron Pritzl, David Zimmerman, and Lindsey Berg sit and wait patiently between songs at a fall concert.



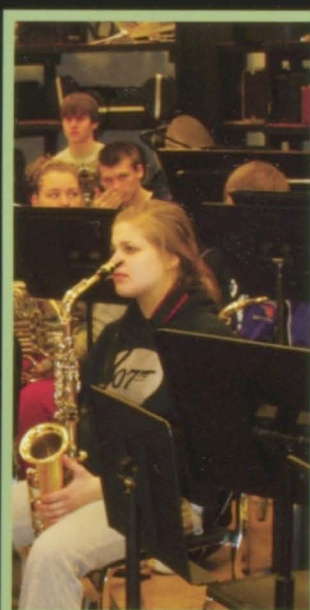
Allison Nelson and Kaitlyn Geiger playing the clarinet gracefully.



Mrs. Zastrow to played the symbol while Mr. Kancelman conducted



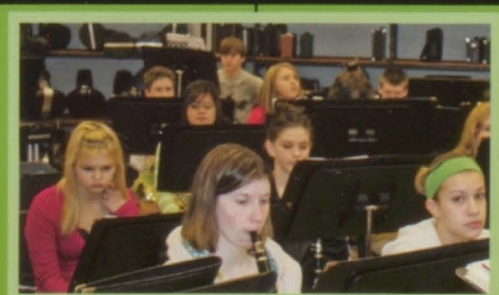
Alvin Ortega on the trombone at fall concert.



Top: Junior percussionist Matthew Severson

Left: Senior Saxophone player Jaimie Herrick

MUSIC IS A HIGHER REVELATION THAN ALL WISDOM AND PHILOSOPHY ~BEETHOVEN



AUDIO PROPERTIES



Back Row: Ms. Powell, Tiffany Larson, Amber Jacobson, Jessica Schiller, Stephanie Erdman

Front Row: Rocko Hunt, Steven Scharein, Jackie Gibson, Shelby Lone

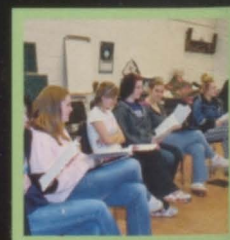


Tiffany Larson, Amber Jacobson, Cassie Glenz-Haas, Kody Grim, Adam Bergmen, Jackie Gibson, Stephanie Erdman, and Stacy Patton



Choir members worked hard every day to perfect their music. Every minute, hour and day pay off when they performed their tunes at concerts. At each of their performances they never ceased to amaze each crowd of parents and community members that came to support the choir. Many different programs run throughout the year.

Concerts that are performed are the Christmas, Spring, Fall, and Large group contest. Mrs. Powell is proud of each student who sings their hearts out. She says "I enjoy teaching younger students. Even though I have had to move my schedule around a lot this year it is all coming together." Good work Choir members you make Augusta High proud.



LEAVING YOUR MARK



"Leaving your mark" was one of the mottos that Community Art teacher Mrs. Clark liked to use when describing this course to new comers and others who hadn't had a chance to be a part of this class. The students in this class find a place in the community that could use a little livening up and change the black and white landscape or scenery into a work of art that all who see can enjoy. They've done a wonderful job in and outside of the school building. From the murals on the front of the community center to the halls of the school and



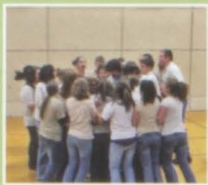
landscaping plots in front of the school. These students are making a huge difference in their school as well as the community, showing others that no matter how rugged the terrain you can always tame it with hard work and imagination. They also inspired from other works of art such as the amazing allusions of side walk chalk drawings. They also have taken their work to the public and school libraries with sculptures and paintings of book characters.



This mural is now placed outside on the tower by the football field. Some of the people that helped with this work of art were left to right Jessica Dowiasch, Justin Buttke, Krysta Lathrop, and Nick Schmidt. This was senior Krysta Lathrop's favorite project.



One of the totem poles made by community art students Tiffany Larson, Jenae Poquette, Selina Payne, and Stephane Schica to help freshen up the library.



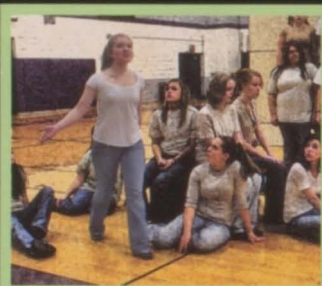
AMERICAN BLOGGERS

All over the school of Augusta people are blogging about life and what events happen to them daily. Mrs. Maenner, creator of the blogging account decided to direct a drama about teenagers today and how they live under pressure and hard times. Sometimes life can throw you curve balls and some don't know how to react to them. The short play "How to Build an American Teenage Quilt" brought many situations to the attention of teachers, students, parents and community members who watched the play. "TEACHER QUOTE". A big part of theater is the team aspect of it. Making it to sectionals was not an easy task. With morning practices and practices

after school, it took a group of 32 people to be there to get through it and make it successful. Thirty two is the largest number of actors that Mrs. Maenner has ever worked with and had on the stage at one time. She was very excited about that and is very proud of the team for the hard work they did. After the competitions were over, it was time to perform a bigger production. Broadcasted (streamed live) at the main street gym was a great success. The students were all able to be a part of the play in some way. Whether it was making sets or taking a lead role. "The Worst Christmas Pageant Ever" had a memorable affect on many actors and is something that they can remember for a long time.



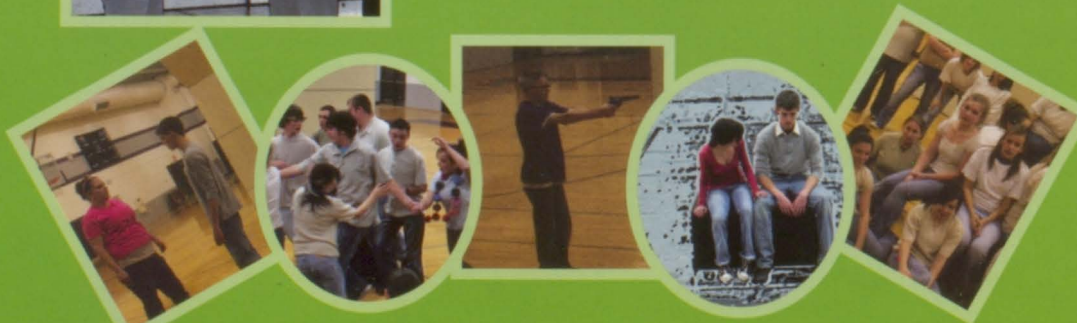
Dear God,
I lost a very dear friend today and I don't know why. So many questions were asked when a boy, played by Ben Pritzl commits suicide and leaves behind family and friends.



Dear God,
There was a girl that came to school today dressed funny. Funny was another word for a girl not wearing beige played by Shelby Lone. She helped others to realize they should stop worrying about what other people think and just be themselves



Dear God,
I want to know how I got here. Steve, played by Cashton Warner had a gun in his back pocket. He was being teased by the bully of the school and ended up shooting his best friend played by Abby Whalen in the end.



FORENSICS: THE RIGHT CLICK

Which computer function offered students the option of gaining megabytes of confidence and improving their speaking skills? The 'right click': Forensics. With the help of their dedicated advisors, Mrs. Sell and Mrs. Rugotzke, forensics members began the season in November. They started choosing their events, and either 'copying and pasting' their selection (but citing their sources of course) or writing/creating their pieces. Members chose their categories from demonstration speaking, storytelling, radio speaking, and farrago, and 10 others. "I chose my category, group interpretation, because it sounded fun. I learned from being in group interpretation that I could be a lot more out going!" Blogged sophomore Jamie Purdun. Another member of group interpretation category is freshman Aaron Pritzl. "I didn't have to memorize my lines," which was why he logged into group interpretation. No matter what event the members decided on, Mrs. Sell posted that "High school students who were in

forensics were doing one of the best things they could for themselves." These advantages couldn't have been acquired if the members didn't stick to the timeline. The goal was to have their material selected, completed, prepared by Christmas Break, giving them plenty of time to practice for Sub-District Competition at Regis High School on Monday February 9. The competitors needed to earn a score of at least 16/25 in two out of their three rounds to advance to the District Competition. Between Sub and District, members had a month to tweak, improve, and perfect their pieces. District was held at Osseo High School on March 9. Minimal errors could be made because only the members who received a score of at least 20/25 in two out of their three rounds were sent to the State Competition, in Madison on April 17 and 18. Senior Krysta Lathrop summarized the Forensics season with the quote; "It takes practicing to be the best 'non-us' we can be, so make it count and drop jaws!" Overall, members agreed that Forensics season was 'right click' after 'right click'!

PARENT'S NIGHT

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Mrs. Sell
Advisor
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Mrs. Rugotzke
Advisor
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From left Mrs. Sell, Molly Rosentreter, Taylor Mayenschein, Jazmin Jones, Cashton Warner, Denise Bustamante, Kaitlyn Geiger, Anissa Thompson, Scott LaRose, Amanda Hoekstra, Victoria McConville, Heidi LaRose, Kristyn Reid, Stephanie LeLand, Aaron Pritzl, Karley Travis, Krysta Lathrop, Jaimie Herrick, and Mrs. Rugotzke. Not pictured: Megan Raether, Nicole Drowatzky, Jamie Purdun, and Steve Bertram.

EXCEL '08-'09



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Brandin Henke



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Jaimie Herrick

With a new monitor, fresh faces, and plenty of ambition, the National Honor Society was focused on contributing to the community of Augusta. First year advisor Ms. Selberg coordinated the first meeting early on in the school year to discuss and plan events for the panel. Senior members, Adam Bergman, Sherry Gutsch, Brandin Henke, Jaimie Herrick, Amber Honadel, Kayla Huth, Kevin Kickbusch, Brad Messerschmidt, and Sarah Richardson, all attended, voting on President, Secretary, and Treasurer. With such a large file

of juniors to download, the senior members continued meeting regularly until the selection process was complete and the juniors began attending as well. Necessary tools included: a minimum Grade Point Average of 3.25, and many unique qualities such as citizenship, leadership, character, and service. The crew helped program a blood drive, raise money for Special Olympics via the Polar Plunge, and help seniors write their scholarships on Scholarship Night. Membership in this elite club helped prepare aspiring students for the next step in their lives.



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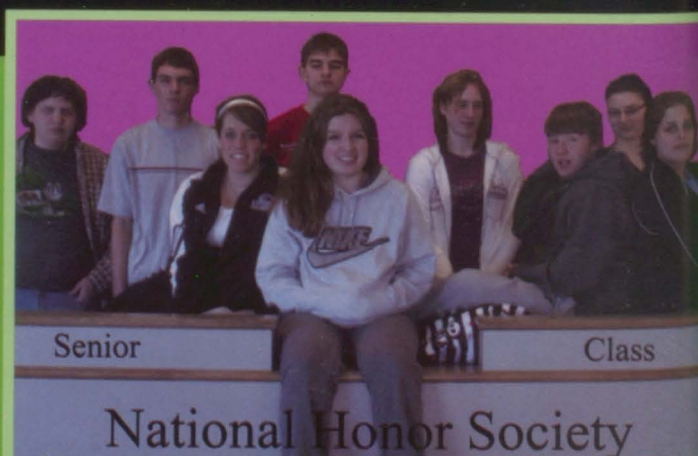
National Honor Society

Junior NHS Members (from left): Matt Severson, Cullen Gabler, Neal Kickbusch, Devin Hadorn-Papke, Kristina Gerike, Dion Shilka, Sydney Anderson, Kate Berlin, Alicia Goss, Sara Goss, Jessica Casetta, Shelby Reetz, Jazmin Jones, Lindsey Berg, and Molly Rosentreter

Senior NHS Members (from left): Adam Bergman, Kevin Kickbusch, Sherry Gutsch, Brad Messerschmidt, Kayla Huth, Amber Honadel, Brandin Henke, Sarah Richardson, and Jaimie Herrick



Several of the National Honor Society members contributed to the blood drive by making calls, helping set up, and helping the day of the drive.



Senior

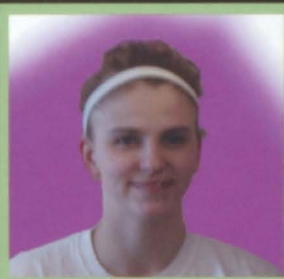
Class

National Honor Society

SCHOOL MONITORS



President
Valerie Dehnke



Vice President
Paige Taylor



Secretary
Steve Scharein



Treasurer
Erin Nelson

From homecoming to winter carnival, a certain group of creative students is needed to make these student activities enjoyable. This selection of students is called the Student Council. The Student Council was led by President Valerie Dehnke followed by Vice-President Paige Taylor. Erin Nelson served as the treasurer and senior representative. Jaimie Herrick was also a senior representative. Steve Scharein was the student council's secretary. Together they have improved our school's

environment. They assisted in getting speakers to come to our school and tried making our school as enjoyable as it could be. Their impact could be felt outside in places like the Augusta Senior Center. The students joined student council to demonstrate leaderships and give their fellow students what they wanted in their school. The members of the student council helped with many unique aspects of the 2008-2009 school year and were very proud with the great turnout for homecoming.



High School Student Council Members (From Left): Matthew Grunewald, Steve Scharein, Alicia Goss, Austin Ramsden and Christian Larson. (Bottom) Erin Nelson, Valerie Dehnke, Paige Taylor, and Jessica Schiller. Not pictured: Jaimie Herrick

Bottom Left: Seniors Paige Taylor and Sam Rios enjoyed their final homecoming.

Senior Powder Puff Football Members after their 2nd place finish (From Left): Sarah Weiss, Samantha Rios, Heather Loppnow, Valerie Dehnke, and Paige Taylor



BiNARY CODE

On February 7, 2009 the Augusta Mock Trial team uploaded to the Eau Claire County Courthouse to plead their case to the judges. The case was loaded with technical data, tests, and accusations on whether Badger Aeromechanical had spilled dangerous perchloroethylene (PCE) and caused the cancer and liver problems of Lee Jones. The team consisted of three lawyers for each side and six witnesses who were questioned on the stand. Both sides prepared for the case by making questions for direct and cross examination that went through the supercomputer of Mike O'Brien, an attorney coach, who would give his expert advice on them. The trials started out with opening arguments by Jazmin Jones, the prosecution, and Erin Nelson, the defense. Each

lawyer then asked their witness a series of questions to have them tell their story of what they believed had happened. Then the grilling of cross examination came around on the opposing side's witnesses where the goal was to "lead them down the garden path of no return and slam the gate behind them." After both sides had pleaded their case, closing arguments were given by Ross Spores for the prosecution and Ben Pritzl for the defense. Special recognition must be given to Ben Pritzl, who played a lawyer for the defense and a witness for the prosecution, and Sydney Anderson, who filled in as a witness for an ill teammate as well as doing lawyer duties for the defense. Even though the record was 1-3, the team held their own against schools like Regis, Memorial, River Falls, and beat Superior.



Front row left to right: Adam Bergman, Sydney Anderson, Erin Nelson, Denise Bustamante, Zachery Williams, Jazmin Jones. Back row: Ben Pritzl, Ross Spores, Kevin Kickbusch, Amanda Pettis, Steve Bertram



Kevin Kickbusch gives his expert opinion on a piece of evidence.



Adam Bergman waits for the next question on cross examination with determination.



Jazmin Jones and Denise Bustamante score points on their direct examination.



Ross Spores helps out Zachery Williams after cross examination.



Amanda Pettis and Jazmin Jones look over their case after their first round as lawyers.



Erin Nelson directs Sydney Anderson, who scores a perfect 10 against Regis.



Erin Nelson, Denise Bustamante, and Jazmin Jones disagree with Sydney Anderson's ruling while Ben Pritzl calmly poses for a picture.



Front: The defense lawyers, Erin Nelson, Sydney Anderson, and Ben Pritzl, prepare for their last case against Superior as their witnesses behind them, Kevin Kickbusch and Adam Bergman, go over their affidavits.

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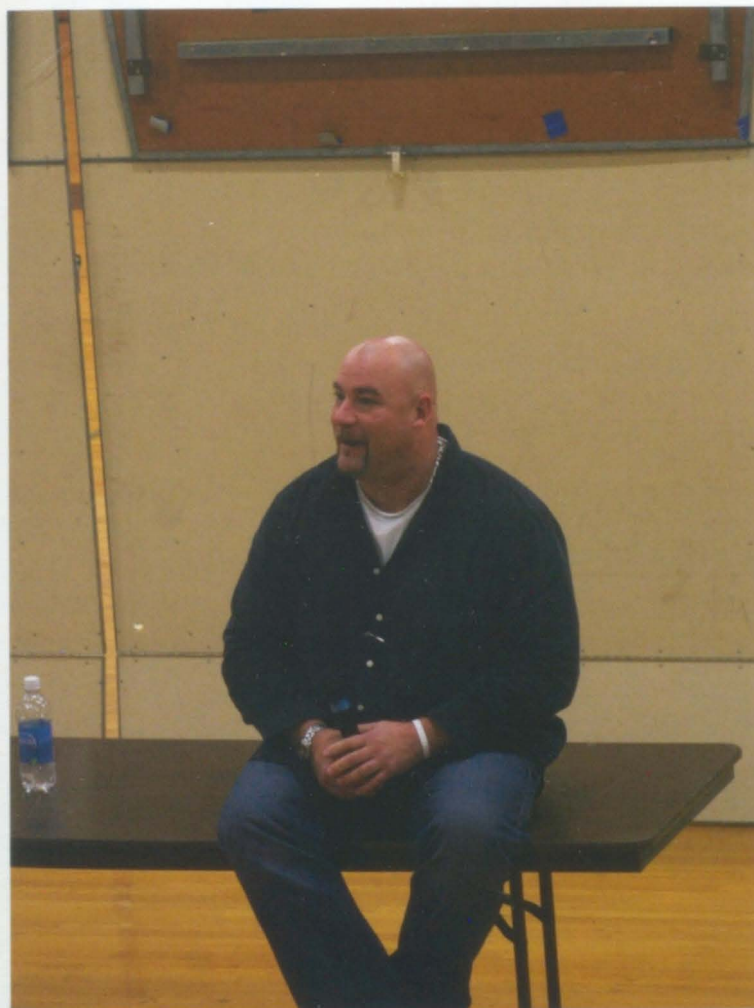
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UPLOADING A SPECIAL NIGHT



Front: Andrew Gutshall, Heather Loppnow, Brandin Henke, Sherry Gutsch, Jessica Montonya, Jordan Strasser, Paige Taylor, Valarie Dehnke, Samantha Rios, Erin Nelson, Sarah Weiss. Middle: Kayla Huth, Jaimie Herrick, Leah Grams, Constance Guntner, Amanda Robinson, Jesus Ceballos, Catherine Pettis, Beth Pettis, Chelsea Arias. Back: Brady Shaffer, Nick Perkovich, Josh Wampole, Tiffany Larson, Adam Bergman, Christian Berry, Zach Brown, Rocko Hunt, Brad Messerschmidt, Alex Tompkins, Kyle Dusso, Amber Honadel, Nicole Drowatzky, Sarah Richardson.



"Announcing 2008's Prom Queen and King!"
Zach Brown, Valarie Dehnke

May 3, 2008 was quite the night to remember.

The auxiliary gym was decorated to its finest. The theme for last year's 2008 prom was "Mardi Gras." Soon the students from Augusta High were arriving to dance the night away. At 8 p.m. the network would change into a 4 hour non-stop party/dance.

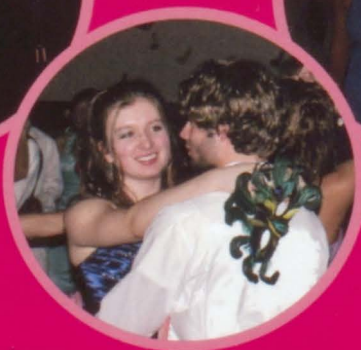
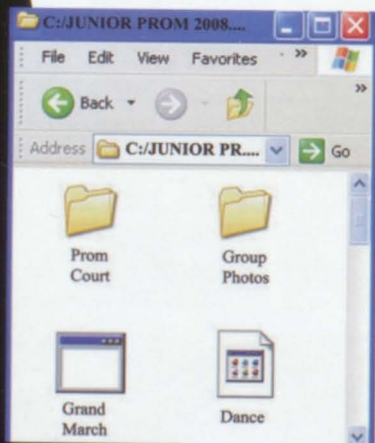
The D.J. kept the tunes coming with many favorites and classics. In memory of Nick Schmidt, they played his favorite song "Highway to Hell," which brought back many memories.

10 p.m. scrolled around all too soon. To add flair, the juniors decided that they would log in

before the prom attendants. "Don't Stop Believing" played when they were accessing the gym. Prom advisor, Mrs. Burbach announced the prom King and Queen, Zach Brown and Val Dehnke, followed by the Prince and Princess Alex Tompkins and Kayla Huth. The royalty danced to the class song "When You Look in My Eyes" by the Jonas Brothers.

"It was a good idea, easy to work with, and it was simple to decorate for," said Val Dehnke. "Paige and I were the last ones on the dance floor, and we danced to every song," said Sam Rios.

The dance went on with a parade of lights and more songs. Everyone broke free from reality and danced the night away.

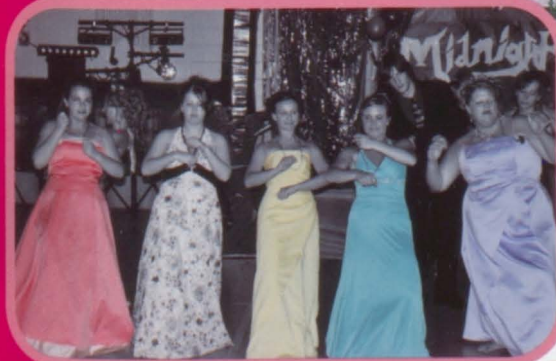
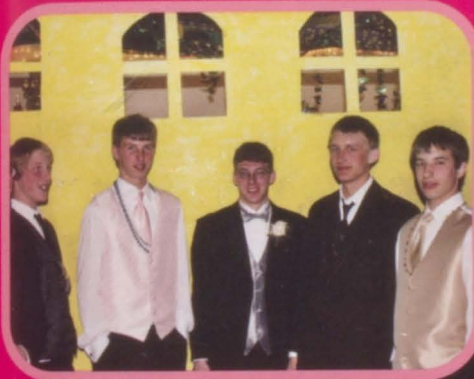




The Junior class shows off their intense talent creating the perfect Mardi Gras!



"Big Man" Aj Ortega dances with junior girls, Catherine Pettis, Amanda Lebaron, Beth Pettis and Amber Honadel.



The Augusta students hit the dance floor for a good time.



PROVIDING A STRONG

CONNECTION

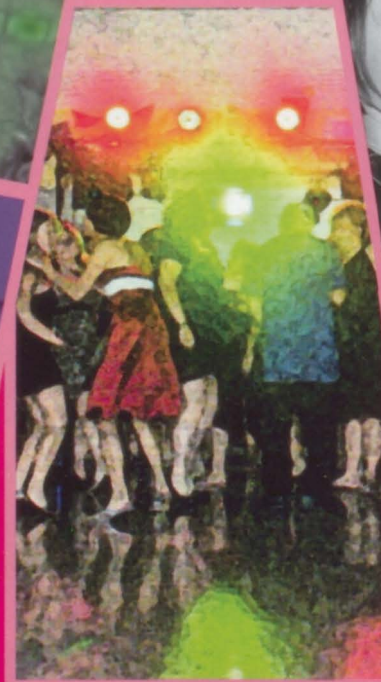


Keyword: Homecoming 2008; Results: fun, school spirit, and pride at Augusta High School. The week signed on with 'Color Day' on Monday. Students wore their class designated colors; Seniors, Blue, Juniors, Green, Sophomores, Red, Freshmen, Yellow. Tuesday was Sports Day where students were to copy and paste their favorite sports attire. This was also the first day that students were allotted time to decorate their cyberspace in the halls, download their float, and browse ideas for their skits. Wednesday was a real Crazy Day; every outfit in the halls was

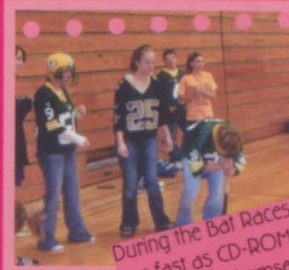
created with purposeful glitches. By now, the domains around the school had drastically changed their status from hallways to boulevards in New York, Hollywood, Sydney, and Paris. Thursday arrived with double takes from passersby. Pairs synced together in their outfits to complete Twin Day. During lunch, grades competed in the all-time favorite tug-of-war. The junior girls won the clash and gave the other girls a system failure. Freshmen boys blocked the competition and defeated all the upperclassmen. School spirit was evident Friday in all the grades as they came together

in all the events including the parade, the skits, and the assembly. Students cheered on their football team at the game Friday night, despite the megabyte amounts of cold, and system crash of a loss. The last event of Homecoming, the dance, brought together all the classes to groove to the high frequency sounds of songs like "Lolli Lolli Let Me See You Pop That Body," "Cupid Shuffle," and "Shake It." Overall, the events of Homecoming 2008 were forever saved in students' memory chips when they experienced the strong connection among the student body.

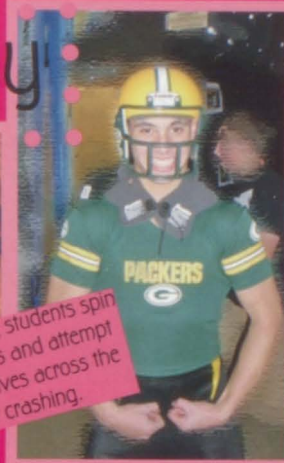
The Dance



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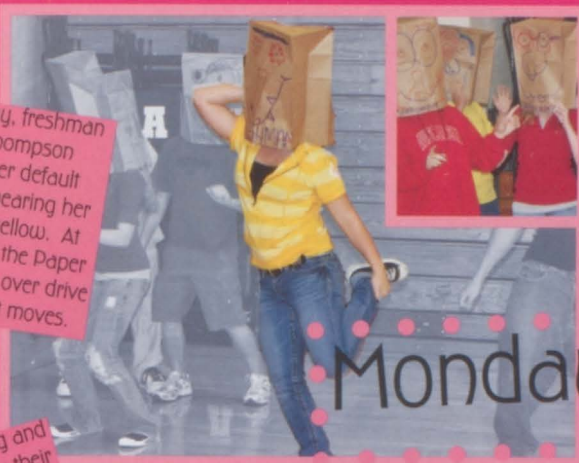


During the Bar Races, students spin as fast as CD-ROMs and attempt to forward themselves across the gym without crashing.



Monday

On color day, freshman Anissa Thompson changed her default settings by wearing her class color, yellow. At lunch, she put the Paper Bag Dance into over drive with her sweet moves.



Juniors Lindsey Berg and Tony Walker display their style choices that appear to have gone haywire in a fashion system failure!



The sophomore Powder-puff football team updates their status to first place! Congratulations!



Wednesday

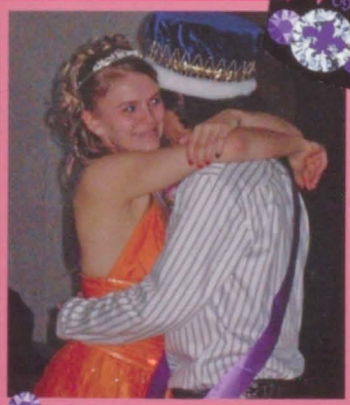


Kayla Huith and Sherry Gutsch, seniors, appear to have been victims of identity theft. They should have gone to freecreditreport.com!



Thursday

Friday



The Class of 2011 post their school spirit at the Homecoming Parade.



The Jello-Eating contest was won by the sophomore competitor Gabrielle Solie, who consumed the most 'gigabytes' in two minutes.

The recently uploaded dance team members freshman Anissa Thompson, senior Paige Taylor, juniors Jessica Casetta and Molly Rosentreter, and seniors Valarie Dehnke and Sherry Gutsch face the cold to cheer the boys to success!



If you searched MyBook for "Winter Carnival" and didn't receive any results, don't panic! Your MyBook account wasn't corrupt and there weren't any bugs to worry about. Winter Carnival was simply deleted and replaced by MORP! MORP was prom typed backwards so everything for the dance copy and pasted this backwards concept. The decorations were wild, and the outfits were insane! The graphic settings displayed included; animal prints, super bright colors, and radically mismatched outfits! Even the dance moves seemed backwards and much more intense

than those uploaded at Prom and Homecoming. Some dance attendees had such low batteries after certain songs that they had to take a break to reboot. Jack Schneider controlled the audio output settings. He played current hits like "Untouched" by Veronicas and wacky songs like "Just Dance" by Lady Gaga. "I enjoyed being able to dress up crazy and show them off", posted senior Valarie Dehnke. Between the crazy music and wild outfits, MORP may have seemed like it was infected with a virus, but the only thing infectious about MORP was the fun!



MORP

It's PROM BACKWARDS!



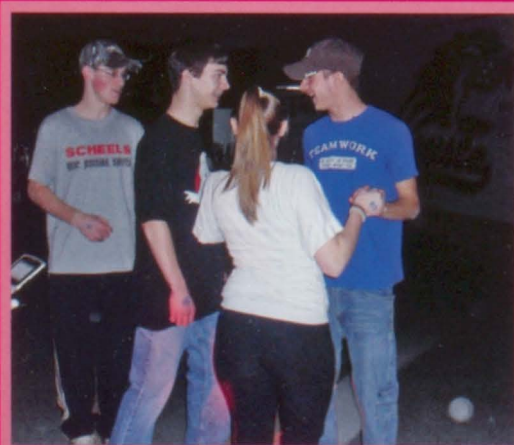
Freshman Steve Bertram and Sophomore Dustin Reeves join the ladies on the dance floor.



Freshman Chanel Ludwig, Amanda Schneider, and Simone Sommers dancing to "Drop It Like It's Hot" by Snoop Dogg.



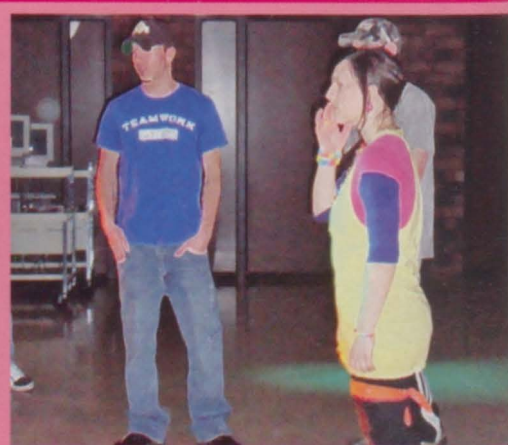
Freshman Steve Bertram and senior Paige Taylor outputting their sweet moves.



Juniors Derrick Lewallen, Neal Kickbusch, Joshua Bonick, and Kayla Kurti taking a break to recharge their batteries.



Seniors Valarie Dehnke and Heather Loppnow make sure their the first ones to join the dance floor.



Juniors Joshua Bonick, Derrick Lewallen, and senior Molly Hurt check out all the radical outfits worn at MORP.

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Newman	L 7-49
Loyal	L 14-55
Gilman	L 0-41



The sidelines cheering on the players on the field.

With a new operating system, the Beavers started out the season with determination and high hopes. They took on Greenwood at Augusta for their first game, scoring 20 points. Coach Bygd said that the most memorable play of the season came from that game when Christian Berry cut to the sideline and ran 68 yards for a touchdown.

The Beavers' Homecoming game was a difficult one against Owen-Withee. Many Augusta fans came out to support the Beavers "Mow'n the Owens." One of the best plays of the game for the Beavers happened when Rocko Hunt handed off the ball to Christian Berry, who then passed to an open Brady Shaffer in the end zone. Even though the Beavers

lost the game, they learned that if they used teamwork, they could score.

With the last game upon them, the Beavers could only hope for an upset against Gilman. Led by the team captains, Rocko Hunt, Brady Shaffer, Cullen Gabler, and Devin Hadorn-Papke, the team headed out to face Gilman. The Beavers couldn't get things going, but did hold the Pirates to only one touchdown in the second half.

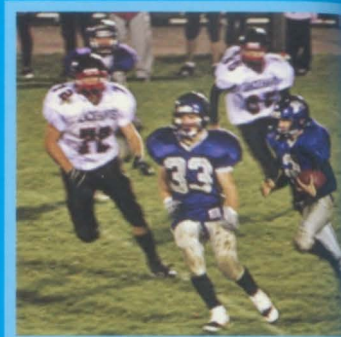
The season didn't go the Beavers' way in the new Cloverwood this year, but Coach Bygd said that improvements in strength and attitude for next year will be a top priority.



The sky turns red before the game at Thorp.



Zach Brown programming the offense.



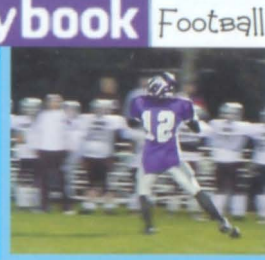
The Beavers attempt to make a big play by running the ball against Abbotsford.



The Beavers take a timeout to regroup and get back in the game.



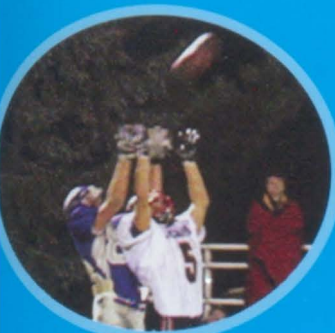
The Beavers get ready to return the ball while Loyal kicks off.



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(Top Row) Jason Wiesner, Brent Gilles, Neil Bygd, Aaron Sands, Jesse Wiesner (Row 5) Kyle Dusso, Zach Brown, Brandon Felton, Cullen Gabler, Dion Shilka, Danny Fugett, Devin Hadom-Papke (Row 4) Brandon Hazard, Christian Larson, Matt Severson, Nick Perkovich, Brady Shaffer, Shane Olson, Mackenzie Cavanaugh, Tyrel Hess (Row 3) Cory Schmidt, Jonathon Slabenow, Aaron Forde, Dustin Reeves, Jordan Beenken, Kyle Berlin, Zachary Kirchoff, Daniel Gjerseth, Chris Winters (Row 2) Weston Huth, Devin Dehnke, Shelby Lone, Dakota Montgomery, Tory Walker, Jordan Strasser, Jesus Ceballos, Skyler Bertrang (Row 1) Alex Tompkins, Austin Stensen, Jason Keinhofer, Rocko Hunt, Christian Berry, Scott LaRose



Brady Shaffer
Senior DB/SE
5' 08" 155 lbs
Selected 2nd team All-
Conference Defensive
Back

"The only place you can win a football game is on the field, the only place you can lose it is in your hearts."

Clockwise from top left: Two players jump up for possession of the football. The offense's great blocking almost leads to a runaway play for the Beavers. Tenacious Beaver defenders stop the run before it gets started. The Beaver defense lines up in anticipation for the next play.



Cory Schmidt
Soph. OL/DE/LB
6' 01" 215 lbs
Honorable Mention O-
Line

"Heck yes! I'm looking forward to improving for next season."



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New user Kris Perkovich was new to the network but not to the head coaching position on the HS Volleyball team. Previously logged in as JV coach for the past 4 years, she, Coach JoAnne Mansur, and Coach Caroline Segurdstum found this a year to rebuild. With only three athletes with varsity experience, they invited other girls to form a group called the 2008 Augusta Volleyball Players.

Practice ran on a high speed network when Coach Caroline was in the gym. Between the "10, 20, 30, 40, 50" drill and the "Coach Caroline" drill, she put the girls on overload. The first game was a tournament at Marshfield. With teams of all divisions, a D-4 school felt a little out of place. "Ah my arms!" was posted a lot that day from back row players Val Dehnke and Paige Taylor. After another week of games, the team traveled to Nekoosa for another tournament. Many girls tagged this as their favorite memory of the season. "The girls played well together and we did some great things today," commented Coach Perkovich. The team logged out in fourth place. As the season continued, the girls seemed to realize they weren't able to push to the end and win a game. "We sunk to their level," commented senior Paige Taylor. The team ranked higher towards the end of the season. With the seniors last regular season home game blocked and turned into a scrimmage, they pulled out their first win. The next game opened up at Granton where senior Amber Honadel closed out with more than 15 kills. "We really knew how to "Beast-It-Up" during some games!" The team won 3 of 5 games that



Back row: Jenna Hoekstra, Coach Caroline, Courtney Voorhies, Middle row: Annissa Thompson, Amanda Schnider. Front row: Denise Bustamonte, Angie Schmidt, Taylor Maynscien, Jessica Schiller.



Back Row: Simone Summers, Allison Nelson, Karley Travis, Coach Mansur, Alicia Goss, Molly Perkovich, Amanda Strauch. Middle Row: Shelby Reetz, Caitlyn Henke, Jessica Casetta. Front Row: Brooke Loppnow, Chanel Ludwig.

night ending the regular season. Playoffs popped up too quickly. As the team uploaded to Lake Holcombe their pregame cheers helped the girls to take on the challenge and accomplish their goals, and sub goals, and leave it all on the court. After conquering the first game, the lady beaves fell to a 1-3 game loss. "It was my best game of the season and a great way to go out

as a senior," commented Sherry Gutsch, who with the help of her team served up 3 aces at the end to try to stay in the game. The team signed out at 1-8 in the conference. Team captain, Val Dehnke, said, "To all the seniors, I hope you enjoyed your last season and underclassmen take what you've learned and make next year even better."



SETTING UP A NEW ACCOUNT

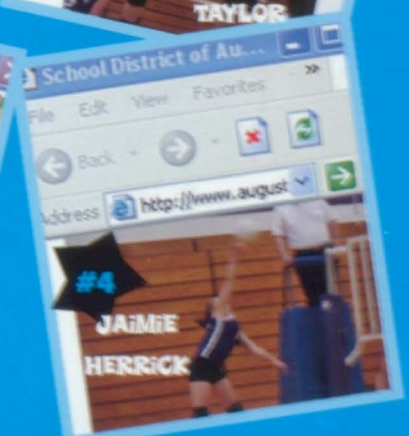
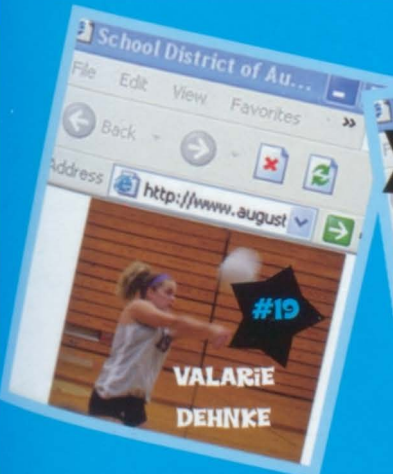
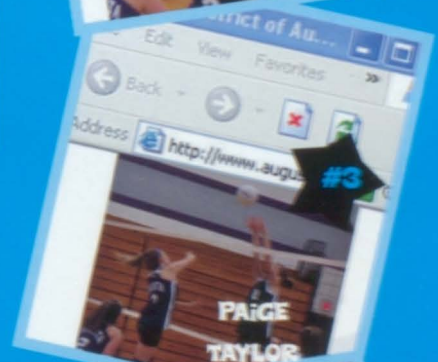
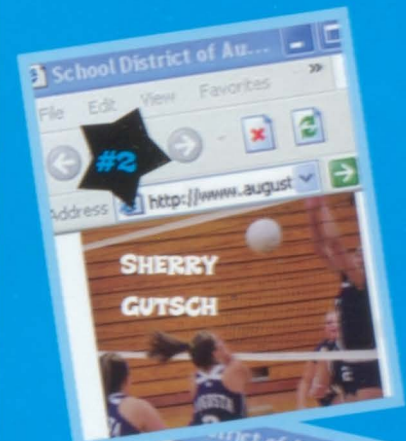


"Beast it up!!" is the comment most heard by the front row players this season. Above the team posed for a funny picture to show thier true charactor during the season.

2nd Team all conference Valarie Dehnke dug up files all season. Valarie, also team captain, had a 97% serving ability as well as over 200 digs on the season.



Back Row: Kate Berlin, Amber Honadel, Victoria McConville, Lindsey Berg. Middle Row: Beth Pettis, Paige Taylor, Jamie Herrick. Next Row: Melissa Erdman, Valarie Dehnke, Sherry Gutsch. Front Row: Molly Perkovich, Allison Nelson.





"CHIPPIN" IN



Back row: Willie Grams, Bradley Messerschmidt, Trevor Evenson, Scott Martinson, and Coach Anderson. Front Row: Jordan Strasser, Steven Scharein, Matthew Severson, and Brandin Henke.



Kristina Gerike, Jamie Purdun, Leah Grams, Allison Pieper, Erin Nelson, and Coach Anderson. NOT PICTURED: Allison Nelson and Brooke Loppnow

Many golf balls were launched, lots of tees were imported in the ground, and many personal bests were downloaded, making it an outstanding season. The head golf coach at Augusta High School was Mr. Anderson who had an extensive database of golf knowledge to share with the team. His main reason for coaching golf was not just to win a conference championship or a state championship; it was because he wanted the students in Augusta to get the experience so they could make accomplishments throughout the season and could take their golfing beyond high school. Coach Anderson commented that the best memories throughout the past season were the small successes that the golfers had as individuals, and also what

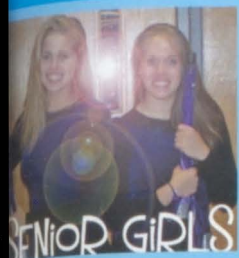
they accomplished as a team. A goal Coach Anderson set every year was the golf team to make it to sectionals. An accomplishment for the girls was the M&L Run match hosted by Regis. All the girls shot a personal best at that match. Leah Grams did phenomenal and forwarded to sectionals as an individual. She also advanced to the 2nd team all conference list. The guys accomplished a task that hadn't been fulfilled in 15 years; they made it to sectionals as a team! Also Willie Grams made the Honorable Mention All-Conference. For the upcoming golf seasons, Coach Anderson planned to upload plenty of experience early and make it to sectionals.



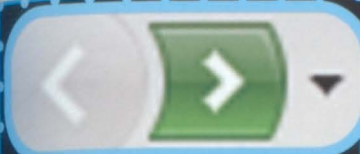
Willie Grams was free of viruses as he earned Honorable Mention all-conference.



Senior Leah Grams upgraded her golf game and received 2nd team all-conference.



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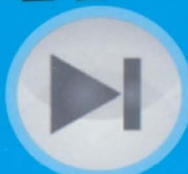
Top member, Senior, Jaimie Herrick, stays on the same pages as the rest of the group whilst trying to block the sun with her super fly shades.



New user, Freshman, Denise Bustamante, and returner, Junior, Melissa Erdman shift down the street staying in sync with the rest of the girls.



FORWARDING TO FLAGS



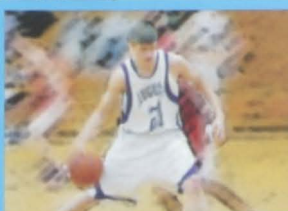
Above: The flag girls display their inner eccentric side previous to one of their performances.

During the halftime of the boys' football and basketball parents' night game was the 2008-2009 flag team's window for viewing. The team consisted of girls ranging from freshman to senior status. The top two members, seniors Sherry Gutsch and Jaimie Herrick, were voted strongest members. When asked what they enjoyed most about being members of the flag team, both girls posted that it was using their creative skills to choreograph the routines, and most of all, it was fun! As a new user, freshman Jessica Schiller, said that she looked forward to getting to know the girls that would log on in the following years. Out of all their practices,

which included early morning practices, that helped to ensure the accuracy of their routines, the girls most enjoyed going to Mrs. Zastrow's house; where they loaded up on Chicken Bacon Ranch pizza which helped to fuel their creativity for a new routine. As advisor, Mrs. Zastrow said her favorite element was watching the girls connect on a different level outside of their normal school-like persona. Moreover, the most difficult was getting them to sync together on routines. Stepping in tune to the beat, and one another, the girls learned to click. So, all through the good and bad links that made up this year, the flag team account was updated from the talents of its avid girls.

Below: Practicing for the football parent's night game, the girls' status is updated to raring to go.





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HARD DRIVE

It was a rough start for the Beavers' Basketball team, going 0-5 in the first 16 days of the season. However, the boys managed to put it together, and for the next four games managed to pull out victorious in all of them. Hampered by the team's attitude, the rest of the season concluded with multiple starters on the bench, including the leading scorer in the Cloverbelt, for the final two regular season games. The rollover from the Western Cloverbelt to the Eastern seemed to be beneficial at the start, opening with 4-2 record in conference play. Unfortunately, the next game was against Colby, a top 10 rated team in the state. After another loss, the

team really played together defeating conference foe Neillsville 53-52. The season culminated with one victory and eight losses including the playoff game at Cornell.

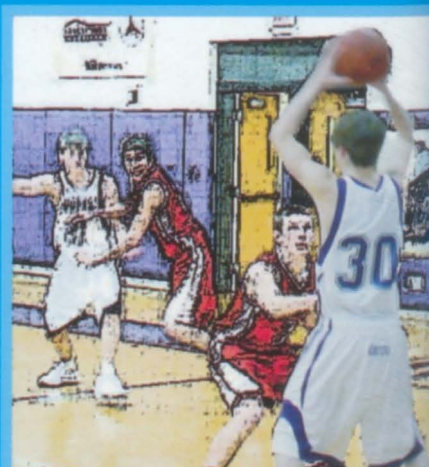
Team Captains this year were Brandin Henke and Devin Hadorn-Papke, who were voted the season before by fellow teammates to be captains. Most players agreed with their coaches that there was a weak connection between themselves and their admins. Vocal leaders were needed on the court to keep tempers from spiraling out of control. As a result, the team with the fourth most wins in their bracket got the seventh seed.



Zach Brown looks for an opening in the opponent's firewall.



Brandin Henke does a system scan on his opponent while moving into a defensive position.



Christian Berry waits for the perfect opening to send a message.



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From back left: Andrew Hazard, Casey Reetz, Cullen Gabler, Cory Schmidt, Zach Brown, Jon Stabenow, Brandon Felton, Devin Hadorn-Papke, Brandon Hazard, Scott Halvorson (Middle Row) David Zimmerman, Justin Ludtke, Keats King, Dustin Reeves, Christian Larson, Christian Berry, Kyle Berlin, Rocko Hunt, Tyrel Hess (Front) Devin Dehnke, Matt Grunewald, Brady Shaffer, Brandin Henke, Dion Shilka, Brett Lewallen, Kody Grimm, Daniel Gjersest, AJ Ortega



Below: Casey Reetz splits the defenders for an easy basket.



Far Left: Brandin Henke breaks away from the defense and lays it in.

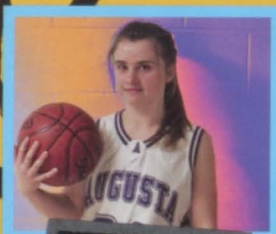
Below: Christian Berry looks past the defender for an open teammate.



Brandin Henke # 12
Senior Point Guard 5'8"
All-Conference Honorable Mention



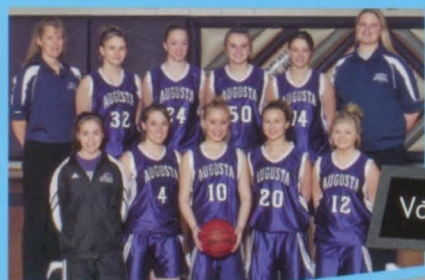
POSTING OUR 'SHORT' STATUS



Stephanie Goss
#30

The girls entered the season, with players hungry for varsity experience. Losing six experienced seniors from last year's team, with five of them being starters, they didn't know what to expect. Sherry Gutsch was voted captain because of her leadership. The most memorable moment for many of the girls this season was their overtime victory, at home vs. Loyal. They came back from a seven point, 4th quarter deficit, sent the game into overtime, and were able to achieve victory. This year the girls' conference changed from the Cloverbelt West to the Cloverbelt East. Some teams were better and it was very competitive; also, there were more teams. The head coach, Mrs. Brenner, said her coaching inspiration came from her own high school coach;

she liked the coaching style and philosophies. Mrs. Brenner said that the Augusta girls had a tendency to play more aggressive, and try harder, with bigger crowds and harder competition. She felt that the only thing missing in this year's basketball team was the girls' height. They were a very short team, their tallest player, Alicia Goss, stood at five feet six inches. The parents played a vital role during the season. They supplied food before the games, and supported the team and went to every game with positive attitudes. They also made a good fan base. Mrs. Brenner said that she would like to work on fundamentals with the girls for their next basketball season, and have a winning status posted.



Varsity Girls



JV Girls



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Owen-Withee L
Colby L
Spencer L
Greenwood L
Neillsville L
Granton W
Loyal W
Eleva-Strum L
Columbus L
Whitehall L

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Columbus L
Gilman (Playoffs) W
Greenwood (Regionals) L



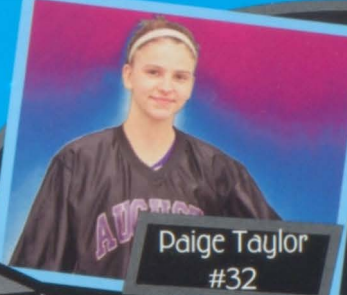
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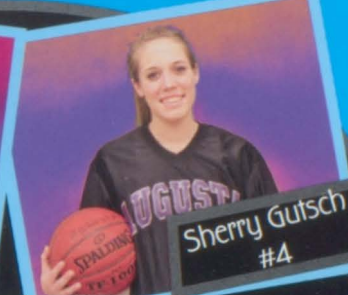
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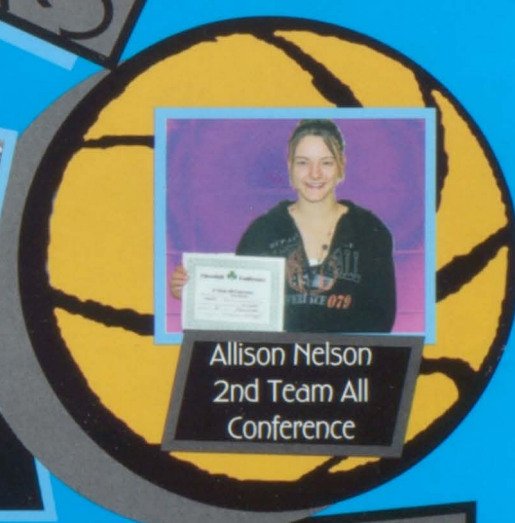
Paige Taylor
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Pre-Game
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Allison Nelson
2nd Team All
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McKenzie Mulhern
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Caitlin Henke
#12

Jessica Casetta
#10



Alicia Goss
#24



PLAYERS



HIGH SPEED CONNECTION

Senior, Jared Schiller, processing the last 100 meters of the 2 mile at the Hoyme Meet.

Sophomore, Devin Hadorn-Papke link to hand off the baton to senior, Christopher Schmitt.

Junior, Kevin Kickbusch, overloads while trying to beat his competition in the 100 meter dash.



Sophomore, Molly Rosentreter focuses on completing 300 meter hurdles making sure she doesn't crash.

Junior, Jessica Montonya makes it to finals after clearing 5 feet on the high jump.

Junior, Andrew Gutshall makes the second hand off in the 200 meter relay to sophomore, Devin Dehnke.



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The "Inbox" of good memories for the track season was full of strong competition, breaking records, and fun times. Subjects include relays, sprinting, throwing, and long distance. In response to a strong season, athletes led by Mr. Bestul and his coaching staff, uploaded to the state track meet album held at UW-La Crosse Valerians Memorial Field located in La Crosse, Wisconsin. Athletes included the 800 Meter relay team Paige Taylor, Amber Honadel, Jessica Schroeder, Brooke Loppnow, and alternate Sherry Gutsch competed in the state track meet.

Along with them went Chris Garner in Disc and Shot, and Tim Nelson running the 2 Mile, and Mile. Jessica Schroeder a 3 event attendee added long and triple jump to her profile. Along with the state competitors, there were a lot of team members breaking P.R'S (personal records) and doubling the points at track meets compared to other years. As for the rest of the track team, who



4th Row: Coach Will Jacobs, Coach Mike Bestul, Coach Jodi Kardin

3rd Row: Zachary Brown, Justin Travis, Cullen Gabler, Jonathon Stabenow, Jared Schiller, Christopher Schmitt, Cory Schmitt, Nicholas Perkovich, Kevin Kichbusch, Christopher Garner

2nd Row: Robert Quick, Jazmin Jones, Amber Honadel, Jessica Montanya, Tim Nelson, Andrew Gutschall, Tyrel Hess, Justin Buttkie, Cory Hammond, Caroline Volkmer, Jesus Ceballos, Rocko Hunt

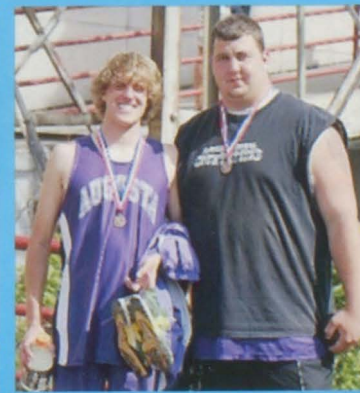
1st Row: Paige Taylor, Molly Rosentreter, Christopher Winters, Jessica Schroeder, Kate Berlin, Sherry Gutsch, Dustin Reid, Brooke Loppnow, Elizabeth Pettis, Victoria Ngai, Devin Dehnke

unfortunately did not forward themselves to state, they enjoyed their season as well.

Andrew Gutschall, junior, comments that, "I improved a lot on my 200 meter dash and I am looking forward to running the relays next season." While other members like Brooke Loppnow, freshman, said

that, "My highlights are competing at state as a freshman, and beating the schools record by 10 seconds." Although Dion Shilka, sophomore, didn't compete in events very much he helped coach the jumpers. When asked what he enjoyed most, he replied "Leading the jumpers to sectionals and beyond."

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BATTERS UP-LOADING



Varsity player Robert Quick tries to out throw the runner to first in this home game against Lincoln



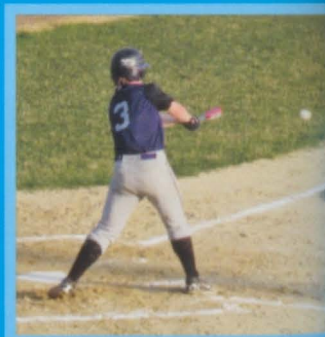
Short-stop Zach Brown goes for the tag when this alma player tries to slide into second base.

The Augusta summer baseball team had 2 wins this past season. JV and assistant Varsity Coach Paul Henrichs was on his second year with the Augusta Baseball team. He thought that this last year had its ups and downs but over-all the team worked hard and built experience for the years to come. Coach Henrichs also noted that the attitude of

players improved and players are taking baseball more seriously. This was the second year in a row where the baseball team has been able to have a full Varsity as well as a JV team, as where three years ago Augusta could barely scrap up a full Varsity.



Back Row: Coach Henrichs, Zach Brown, Brandon Felton, Chris Schmitt, Scott Martinson, Coach Korgor. Middle Row: Brady Shaffer, Steve Scharein, Clinton Grant, Robert Quick, Justin Buttke. Front Row: Aaron Kirchoff, Andrew Gutshall, Dion Shilka, Matt Severson, Tory Walker.



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First baseman Willie Grams battles for the out at this Lincoln game



Steve Scharein keeps truckin after getting out at first



Above: 1st Team All Conference: Chris Schmitt as Pitching/Shortstop.



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BASES FULLY LOADED



Back Row: Coach Puchalla, Tiffany Mullins, Abbi Baader, Renae Zimmerman, Alison Kaeding, Allison Sell, Laura King, Leah Grams, Coach Zimmerman.

Middle Row: Lindsey Berg, Valarie Dehnke, Melissa Erdman, Heather Loppnow, Sarah Weiss, Jamie Purdun.

Front Row: Caitlin Henke, Stephanie Hansen, Emily Voorhies, Megan Raether.

Below: Val goes to the ground and gets dirty to keep the ground ball in front of her and setup the runners from advancing.



Below: Tiffany Mullins jumps up after catching the ball to throw out the runner trying to steal second base.



The Lady Beaves softball team had a rough season opener as they had an unpleasant 0 to 8 loss against McDonal but bounced back two games later to get a close 6 to 5 win against Regis. Mr. Puchalla, a coach with 7 years experience under his belt, and who coached the girls last year, said, "Some of them may not have grown as the team needed but always went hard and did their best to win and keep a positive attitude." He also noted that they were all experts at eating sunflower seeds. Players had some input on the season also stating that, "the year was very interesting." Valarie Dehnke and Leah Grams also had the same goal to get 100 percent fielding percentage which they said, "We achieved that goal most of the time." They both also believed they had to say this, "The best moments in softball this year would have to be the bus rides and when we defeated Regis because they are a tough rival school." In the end they agreed with this statement, "Always put in 100 percent because you never know when you might get a big chance to play."



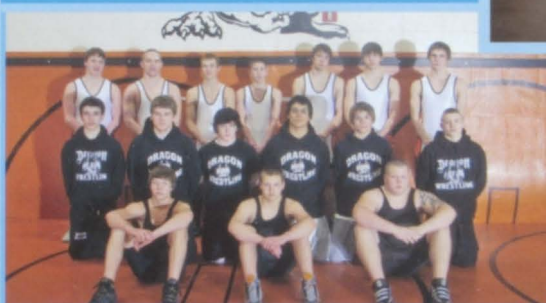
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Regis	L 0-10
Osseo	L 0-7
Bloomer	W 3-0
Elsworth	L 11-15
McDonell	L 0-9
New Auburn	W 9-1
McDonell	L 0-5



OFA WRESTLING



On file for the Osseo Fairchild-Augusta Wrestling team there is a sub folder that truly stands out. Freshmen Jordan Beenken from Augusta played a vital role in the OFA team as he helped them get a record of 12-6. Jordan has been in the Augusta wrestling program for 10 years. It was obvious to see why Jordan would have such a good impact on the OFA team. His experience was shown in the Tomah match when he Won a match against Teddy Holmen by 10 points. His personal record was 19-15. He qualified for sectionals which were on Saturday February 21.

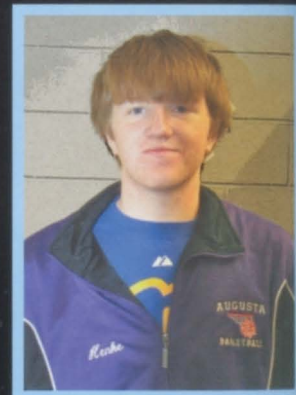


Front Row: Cole Kostka, Chris Sunday, Nolarl Scherri. Middle Andrew Peterson, Joe Quick, Tyler Bedell, Manny Melandruz, Dulton Buckmaster, Bylin Steinke. Back: Jordan Beenken, Tanner Larson, Anthony Michels, Ryan Honson, Jeremy Poikien, Justin Poirien, Cody Larson.



THE MATHLETES

$$9x^2 + 4y^2 = 36$$



This year's Math Team consisted of Varsity- competitors Kevin Kickbusch, Brad Messerschmidt, Brandin Henke, Kate Berlin, Cullen Gabler, Kayla Huth, Molly Rosentreter, and Jessica Casetta. Varsity-Two was Sydney Anderson, Dion Shilka, Clinton Grant, Andrew Gutshall, Matthew Severson, Lindsey Berg, and Devin Hadorn-Papke. JV-One was Tyrel Hess, Austin Ramsden, Weston Huth, Karley Travis, Allison Nelson, Zach Williams, Taylor Mayenschien, and Zach Nelson. JV-Two was Victoria McConville, Caitlin Henke, David Zimmerman, Sara Connett, Simone Sommers, Anissa Thompson, and Amy Schick.



$$f(x) = 3x^4 + ax^3 + 15x^2 + b$$

On March 10th ended up with some spectacular results with Bradly Messerschmidt placing 6th in Varsity individual. The JV individuals had amazing results as well with Tyrel Hess getting 1st place and Austin Ramsden getting second. The JV Team also got 1st in the tournament overall. The Varsity Also did well placing 3rd out of 11 different schools.

HOMECOMING
2008

1:06 / 1:06

TEAM



PICS:

JUST DANCE

DA DOO DOO DOO
SPIN THAT RECORD BABE

iTunes

"Just Dance"

Lady Gaga ft Colby O'Donis

4:07

-1:18



MEMORIES:

STAR
FISH!!

Sherry's Cartwheel
"Guys, I was
so tired that
night!!"

The 'Disturbia' Dance at
Homecoming

The girls:

MOLLY

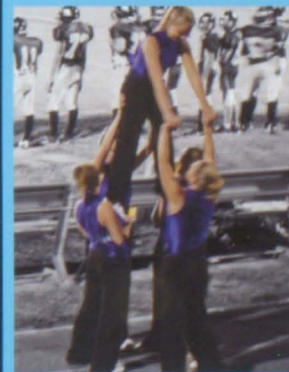
JESS

VAL

SHERRY

ANISSA

The new user to the 2008-2009 playlist was the cheer/dance team. Routing the new team was challenging work. The girls on the squad had to set some fairly high standards to label it as a success. After tryouts, the girls put to memory a smaller dance for the Augusta Bean and Bacon Days parade. Posting their debut performance as well perceived, the girls were eager to download more dances to their repertoire. Once school returned, their next project was to prepare a dance for halftime during a football game, complete with a stunt. The song that emitted from the speakers was 'I Don't Dance', sung by Zac Efron from High School Musical. After the nerves of performing in front of a more stationary crowd were deleted, the girls relaxed and took a running start, (literally) with their next dance that they performed at Homecoming, 'Disturbia' by Rihanna. This was posted as the girls' favorite dance. Basketball season was nest atop the list and started with a 'Space Jam' dance and continued on with a routine to the old school track 'We're Playing Basketball'. Molly Rosentreter, a junior, felt that over the past year, the team has made a lot of progress. And they had. The girls had a fun-filled year and complete with many unforgettable memories such as Sherry's cartwheel, the microphone dying at half-time, and dancing in the sweltering parade in July. Overall the start-up of a dance team proved accomplished. Valarie Dehnke, a senior, comments, "I like to dance, it's why I joined the dance team, lol, plus it's a ton of fun!"

Sherry's
Cartwheel!!

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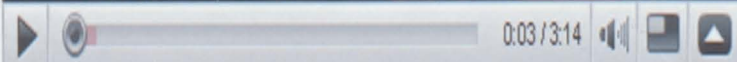
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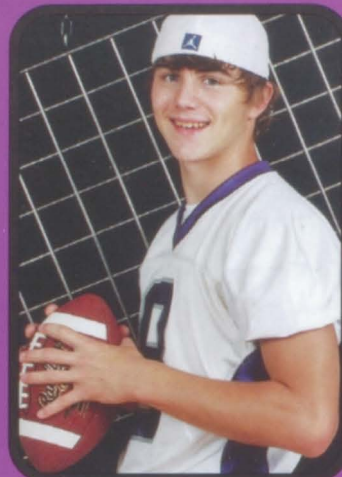




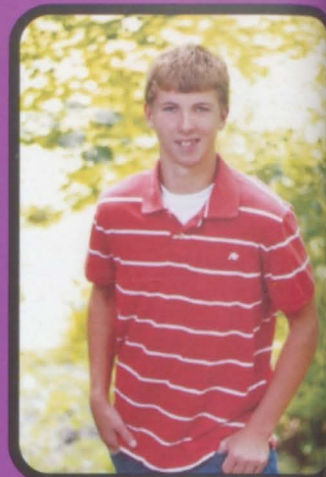
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Adam Duane Bergman



Christian Michael Berry



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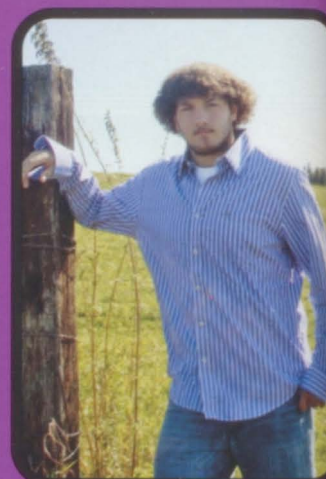
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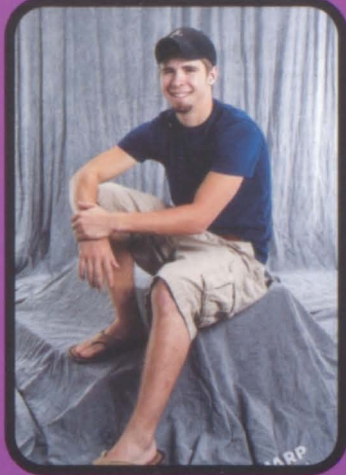


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Leah Frances Grams



Clinton Alexander Grant



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Sherry Lynn Gutsch



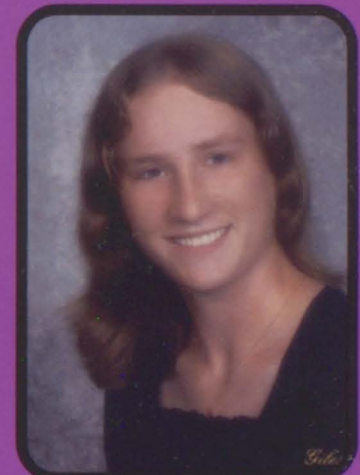
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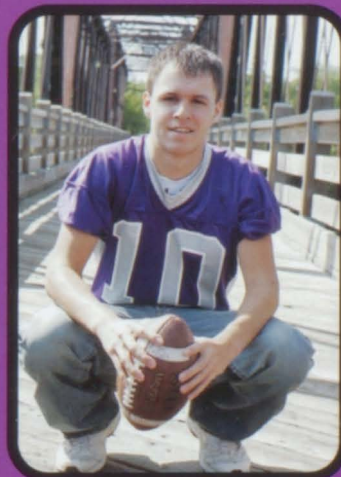


Amber Marie Honadel

Class Motto :

Life isn't about the breaths you
take but the moments that take
your breath away.

-Unknown



Rocko Ambers Hunt



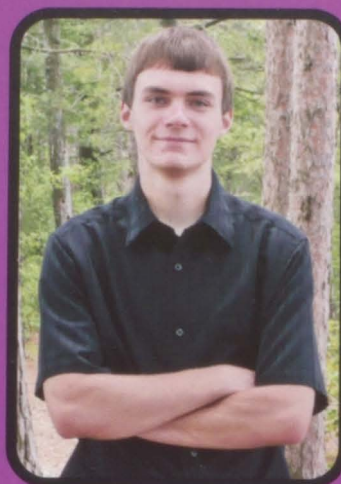
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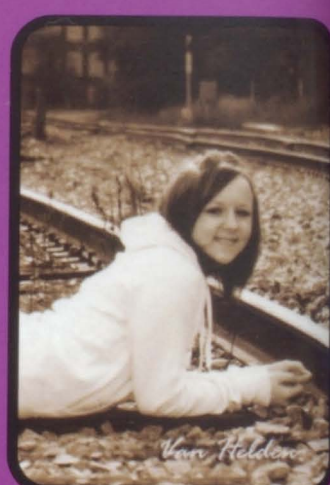
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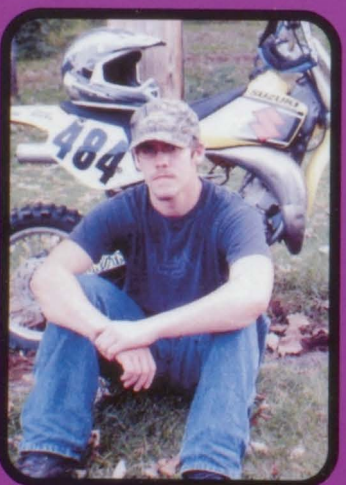
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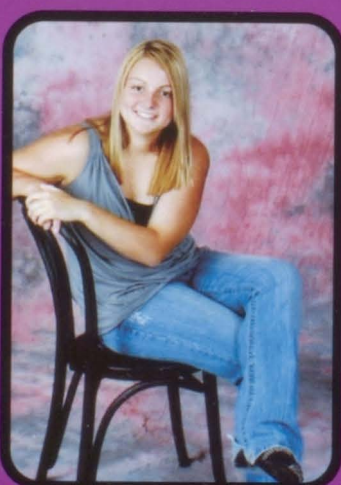
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Amanda Eileen LeBarron



Michael Anthony LeBarron



Heather Leigh Lopnow

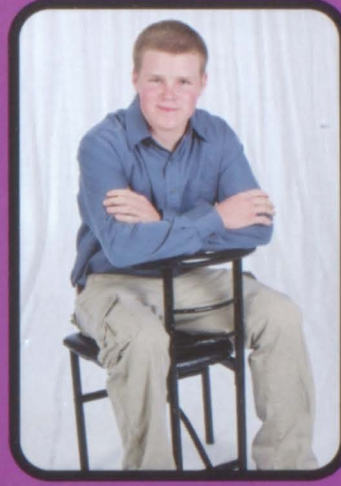




Bradley David Messerschmidt



Jessica Danielle Montonya



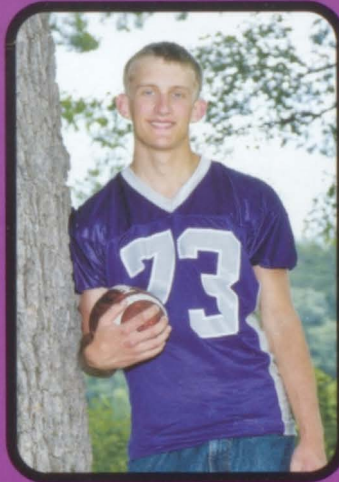
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Janet Anastasia Patton



Nicholas Scott Perkovich



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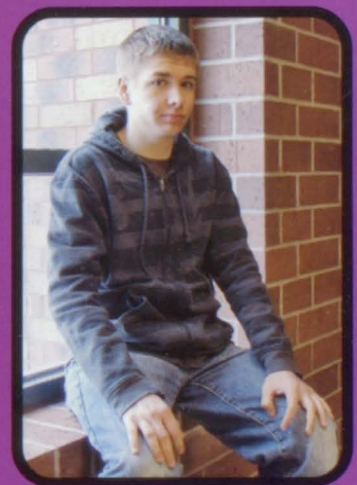


Elizabeth Jane Pettis

Class Song :
The World's Greatest by
R.Kelly



Justin William Purdun



Dustin Theodore Reid



Sarah Joseph Richardson



Samantha Roxanne Rios



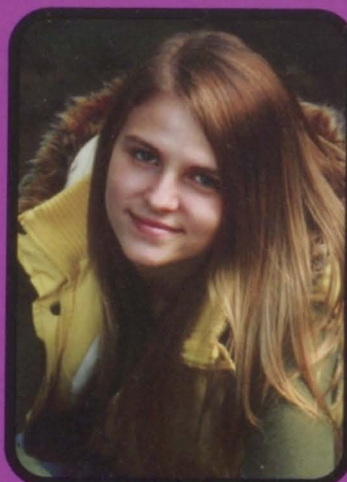
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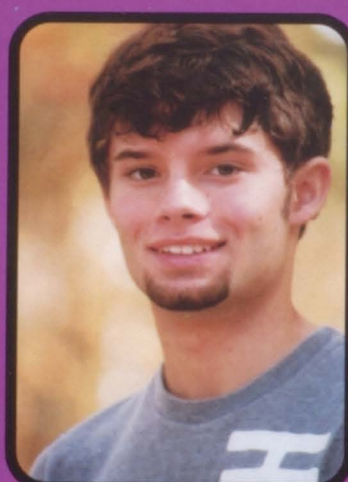
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Jordan Frank Strasser



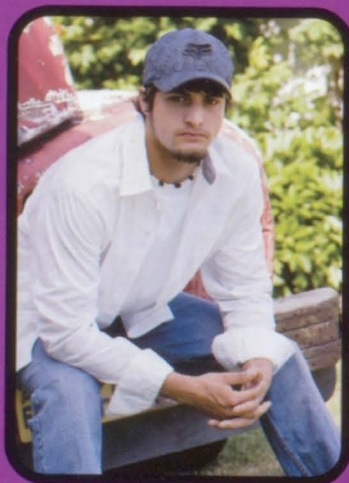
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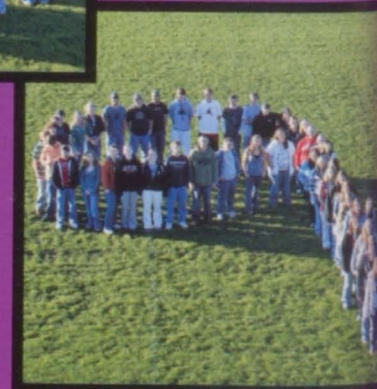
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Joshua David Wampole

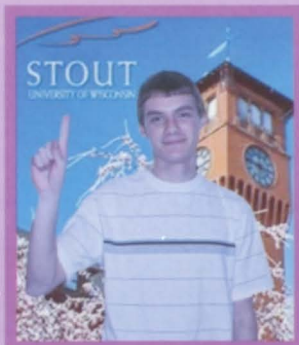


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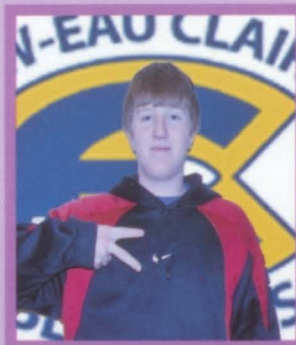


TOP TEN CLASSMATES

Kevin Kickbusch
UW-Stout for Applied
Mathematics and
Computer Science



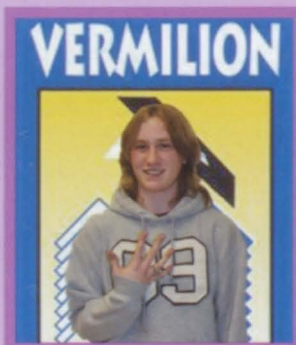
Brandin Henke
UW-Eau Claire for
Information Systems



Bradley Messerschmidt
UW-Stout for Engineering
Technology



Jaimie Herrick
UW -Green Bay for
Biology



Amber Honadel
Vermilion Community
College for Wildlife
Management



Kayla Huth
UW-Oshkosh



Sarah Richardson
College for Elementary
Education



Sherry Gutsch
UW-Oshkosh for
Recreational Therapy



Nick Perkovich
CVTC
Electromechanical
Technologies



Amanda Robinson
CVTC

FAVORITES AND MEMORIES

POSTED BULLETIN



Favorite Superhero
Spiderman
Runner-up
Superman

Favorite Candy
Snickers
Runner-up
Skittles



Singer/band
Rascal Flatts
Runner-up
Lil' Wayne



Movie
Superbad
Runner-up
The Notebook

Clothing Brand
Aeropostale
Runner-up
American Eagle

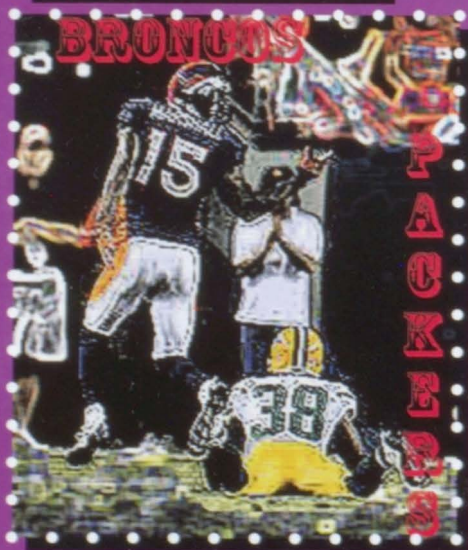
Word
Dude!
Runner-up
Sweet!

Radio Station
Z-100
Runner-up
WAXX 104.5

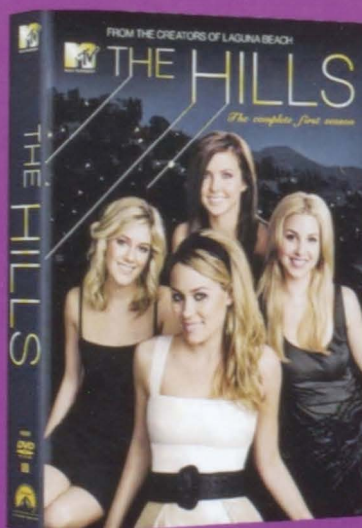
Restaraunt
Olive Garden
Runner-up
Texas Roadhouse

Song
Wasn't Me
Runner-up
Love Lockdown

Teacher
Mr. Stutzman
Runner-up
Mrs. Meaner



Football Teams
Packers
Runner-up
Broncos



T.V. Show
The Hills
Runner-up
That 70's Show

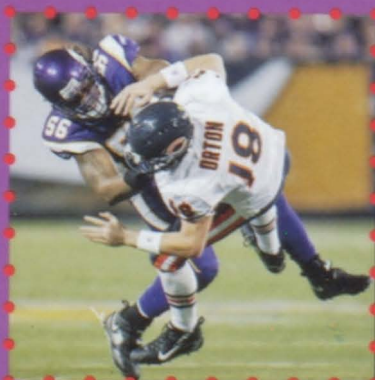


LEAST FAVORITES

Song
Hit me baby one more time



Football Team
Vikings and Bears



Band/Singer
Jonas Brothers



MEMORIES



Do you remember?

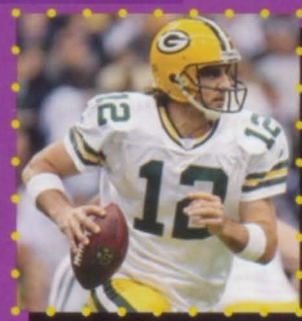
- Paige running into the post in the dark at the Beaver Creek sleep over
- Two words, "Sherry moment"
- Choir class with Mrs. Powell
- Spanish class with Mrs. Powell
- The "Shoe Guy"
- Ballin' at the Dirty Courts
- Jesús in the senior skit... enough said.
- Bergman vs. Snowball!
- Paige and Sarah wearing wigs to school.



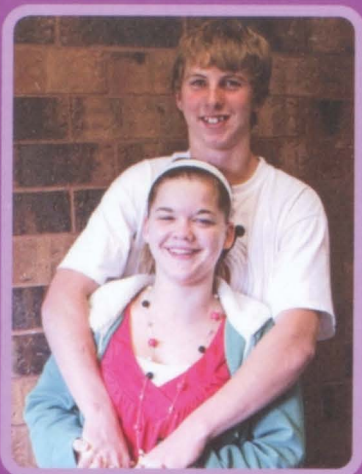
THIS OR THAT?



Coke	vs	Pepsi
Polar bears	vs	Penguins
West side	vs	The Bronx
Early Bird	vs	Night Owl
Mr. Collins Tests	vs	School Lunch
Red Rose	vs	White Rose
Rap	vs	Rock
Country	vs	Metal
Winter	vs	Summer
Sports Car	vs	Truck
Jonas Bros.	vs	Miley Cyrus
Black	vs	White
Snowstorm	vs	Thunderstorm
School	vs	Work
Mc. Donalds	vs	Taco Johns
Vanilla	vs	Chocolate
Music	vs	Movies
BLT	vs	Sloppy Joes
Sports	vs	Parties
MySpace	vs	Facebook
Love	vs	Money
Simpsons	vs	Family Guy
Aaron Rodgers	vs	Brett Favre



MOST HITS



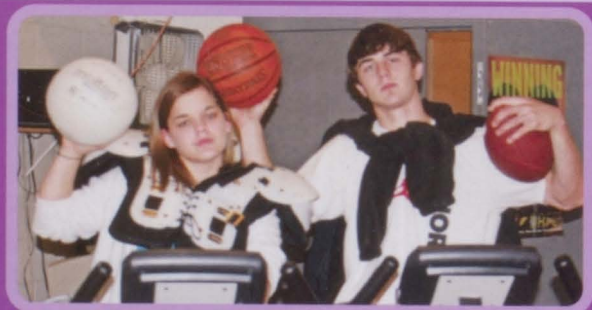
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at 9:36am on November 1st, 2008

Val Dehnke and Zach Brown
Cutest Couple



Class of 2009 (Augusta High) wrote
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Samantha Rios and Adam Bergman
Bozo the clown
Leah Grams and Nicholas Perkovich
Best trade-in value
Jaimie Herrick and Kevin Kickbusch
To succeed
Sherry Gutsch and Adam Bergman
Teachers Pet
Krysta Lathrop and Alex Tompkins
Most Artistic
Heather Loppnow and Kyle Dusso
Party Animals
Emily Voorhies and Aaron Kirchoff
Craziest Driver
Samantha Rios and Mike Lebarron
Coolest Personality
Kayla Huth and Brady Shaffer
Hardest Worker



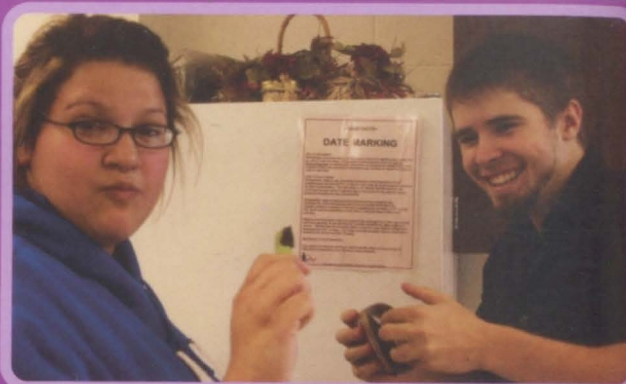
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Valarie Dehnke and Christian Berry
To be seen on ESPN



Class of 2009 (Augusta High) wrote
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Nicole Drowatzky and Brandin Henke
Cars most likely to end up in junk yard



Class of 2009 (Augusta High) wrote
at 10:12am on October 12, 2008

Samantha Rios and Clinton Grant
Is it lunch time yet?



Class of 2009 (Augusta High) wrote
at 11:36am on November 3rd, 2008

Alex Tompkins and Jaimie Herrick
Best Hair



Class of 2009 (Augusta High) wrote
at 2:35pm on September 18th, 2008

Sherry Gutsch and Adam Bergman
Not to use MapQuest



Class of 2009 (Augusta High) wrote
at 9:35am on October 19th, 2008

Paige Taylor and Christian Berry
Most likely security "breach"



Class of 2009 (Augusta High) wrote
at 8:11am on October 3rd, 2008

Nicole Drowatzky and Kevin Kickbusch
Bookworms



Class of 2009 (Augusta High) wrote
at 2:13pm on October 17th, 2008

Sarah Weiss and Kyle Dusso - To know the local correctional officer

Sherry Gutsch and Rocko Hunt - Most confused and Most Gullible

Chelsea Arias and Kevin Kickbusch - Quiet as a mouse

Kayla Huth, Clinton Grant, and Brady Shaffer - Has most friends

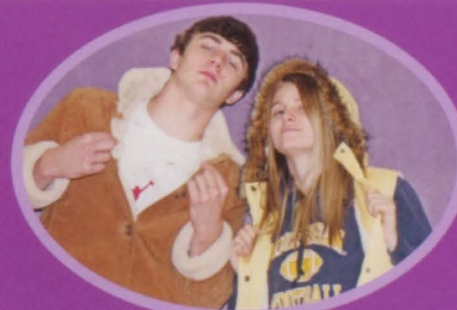
Erin Nelson, Kevin Kickbusch, and Brad Messerschmidt - Next Bill Gates

Sarah Weiss and Christian Berry - To be late



Class of 2009 (Augusta High) wrote
at 1:10pm on September 27th, 2008

Alex Tompkins and Erin Nelson
Next Model



Class of 2009 (Augusta High) wrote
at 11:12am on October 3rd, 2008

Paige Taylor and Christian Berry
All about us!

▼ The Wall



To our sister,
I can't believe you're a senior
and going to graduate! We
have had fun times. Good
luck in your future.
Love Becky and Andrew

To our daughter Amanda,
You have grown into a sweet, kind,
caring young lady. Live life to the
fullest every day. You can do
anything in the world. We love you
and are always there for you.
Love,
Dad and Mom



Post

▼ The Wall

Drew,
We're fond of who you were, proud of who
you are, and looking forward to who you
will become. You always were, and always
will be, unforgettable!
Love, Dad and Mom



Post

▼ The Wall

'Kevin,
Your determination and motivation made you who you are
and will continue to make you successful in life. We are
extremely proud of all your accomplishments.
Love Mom and Dad



Post

▼ The Wall

Our Muskrat Mike,
We are all so proud of you and wish you all the best in your future.
Congrats Mike!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Chris, Britt, Rachael, and Ryan



Post

Bradley,
I can't believe it's your senior year. I am so
proud of the young man you've become.
You are a fantastic brother and role model.
The sky is the limit for you- reach for the
stars... you are one
We love you,
Mom



Bradley,
Congratulations! I'm very proud of
you and wish you the best of luck
in the future. You will be a good
leader in life.
Love Dad



▼ The Wall

Heather,
You have overcome many challenges to grow into the
wonderful young lady you are today. We have had our
share of difficult times, but through it all, you have brought
us much joy. Early on we have witnessed you set GOALS
for your future; and with great determination follow your
dreams. Remember, what you get by achieving your
GOAL is not as important as what you become by
achieving your GOAL. We are very proud of all your
accomplishments. We will always be here for you.
Love Mom and Gary (dad)



Post

Amber,

We are so proud of you and what you have become. We are happy yet sad as
you take on the next step in life. As you go off to Vermilion, we wish you all the
luck and happiness in the world. And remember life is a journey, not a
destination. And always keep your family and God close at heart.

Love Always,
Mom and Dad

Post



Dear Rocko,
I am very proud of all your accomplishments in football, basketball, track, physical fitness and chorus, but I am exceptionally proud of you for graduating from high school. You are my pride and joy. Good luck in college! I love you, Mom

Post

▼ The Wall



Nick,
You went from collecting creatures, to learning at Wildlands, to fixing most everything, to graduating in a flash. Don't give up. Don't ever give up. We believe in you!
Love,
Mom and Dad



Nick,
I'm delivering this through a messenger. I'm so proud of the man that you have become. I've been there with you always.
Love,
Grandma Nancy



▼ The Wall

Alex,
Congratulations! You're such an amazing person with a bright future. Stay true to yourself and don't let anyone tear you down. You will do great things. I love you so much!



Aliza

Alex,
No matter where your roads take you Remember you always have a place back here to call home
Love you always,
Dad

Post



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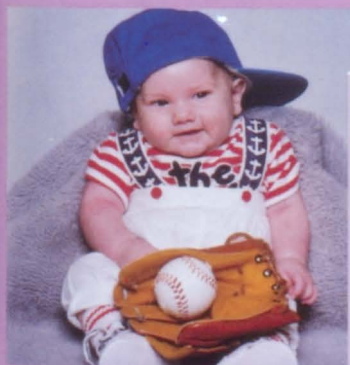
Clinton,
You have given me grief about taking your picture all through school. Once in a while I got a good shot, like this one with Emily. I miss the challenge of that perfect shot! Congratulations graduate!
Rozanne



Post

▼ The Wall

Kyle,
Well you made it! You do not know how proud we are of you. We all wish you the best in the future because we know you can do whatever you put your mind to.
Love Mom, Dad, and Sis



Amanda,
Wow, we can't believe our little sister is all grown up and graduating already... where has the time gone! We knew you could do it and are so proud of you..CONGRATULATIONS!!
Love always,
Your best sisters,
Amy and April



Amanda,
Here you are all grown up. Our last child to graduate. We're very proud of you honey. Just be who you are and you will go far. Good luck in Vet Tech. School. We will always be here for you.
Love you,
Mom and Dad

▼ The Wall

My dear Samantha,
You are very precious to us. You have made us laugh; you have brought so much joy into all of our lives. We love you deeply and wish you a great future. (But you still can't move away from your mother.) We want you to know that we are always here. ALWAYS!! Heart and Soul.

Love: Mom and Dad, Grandma, Grandpa, Uncle Jer, Aunt Wendy, Uncle Ed, Aunt Heidi, Nadine, Tory, Tanner, Mayzie, Shelby, Tenley, Peanut, Tucker and Max and the rest of your extended family & friends.

Post



▼ The Wall

Emily,
You've filled our family with such joy and wonderful memories. Use what you've learned to lead you towards your dreams of success in life. Remember to be giving, forgiving, patient, and kind. Have faith in yourself and God. Laugh at your mistakes and praise yourself for learning from them. May there always be rainbows that follow the rain in your life. Love you always.
Mom and Dad

Emily,
Do not be anything but who you are! I am proud to be your little sister, and thanks for teaching me stuff through the years. Best of luck, Love you!
Courtney



Emily,
You have what it takes to succeed, treasure your journey on your way. Have faith in yourself and you will reach your destination. You're a special individual and we're proud of you. God's Blessings, Love Grandpa and Grandma



▼ The Wall

Catherine and Elizabeth,
When the doctor says two, right away you think identical. I never thought the two of you would be so different. Congratulations and good luck at anything you do.
Love Mom



Post



▼ The Wall

Sarah,
Know that we are proud of you in all that you do and all that you have accomplished so far in your life. Never stop dreaming, never stop taking the least trodden path, embrace all the challenges and rewards that life has to offer you. Be happy with who you are, and keep wondering why. We love you,
Mom, Dad, and R.J.



▼ The Wall

Valarie Sue,
We're always here when you need to talk. We're always here when you need to "borrow money". We're always here no matter what! Love always,
Vanessa, Devin, and Sally



Val,
It seems like yesterday you were graduating from preschool and now you are graduating from High School. You have grown into such a beautiful young lady. Val you've given me such joy and happiness. Always believe in yourself, you can do whatever you can put your mind into.
I Love You!
Love always Mom



Val,
It seems like only yesterday I held you for the first time. Now you have become a young lady fast. You have handled what life has thrown at you so far. The best is yet to come. I am so proud of you.
Love Dad
PS: Always a beaver fan!



▼ The Wall

Joshua,
Congratulations! We are so proud of the fine young man you have become. We wish you the best in life's journey as you set off on your own. Know that we love you and will always be there for you. God Bless,
Love Mom and Dad



Post

▼ The Wall

Post



Emily, Sherry, Heather, Valarie, and Beth,
You were all winners in your parents and families eyes that night as you will be again on graduation night. Congratulations to all of you!
Emily's Family

▼ The Wall

Bran,

Thanks for being the best brother two girls could ask for. We wish you the best of luck in the future even though we know you don't need it. You have a heart of gold, an outgoing personality, and unbelievable intelligence. Never give up, dream big, make a difference, smile, and take nothing for granted. The sky is the limit and we're always here to catch you if you fall.

Love always,

Kristen and Caitlin



Brandin,

Words can't describe how proud of you we are. You are such a blessing. Watching you grow has been fun and rewarding. You have grown to be a remarkable intelligent young man. Thanks for always making such good decisions; we have the most respect for you. We feel such pride to say you are ours. Always be yourself and never lose your sense of humor. Always remember you can do anything you set your mind to. You have so much to offer this world. Always keep a smile on your face!

We love you,
Mom and Dad



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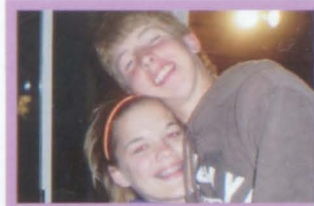
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Zachary,

I can't believe that we're graduating already. I've had great times with you, whether being king and queen or just hanging with the gang. I have loved every moment with you. I wish you good luck in the future.

Love,

Val



Zach

Your senior year, where has the time gone? You have grown into such a unique individual. Stay loyal to those qualities. We are proud of all your accomplishments and can't wait to see what the future holds for you. Ride Hard, Dream Big!

Love,

Mom, Dad, and Logan.



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Constance,

I couldn't ask for a better child! Thank you for making things so easy on me. You'll always be daddy's little peanut! Love you! Good luck in college!

Love Dad



Constance,

Congratulations little girl, you make mommy proud. You've done better than I could have. Keep up the good work. Much luck in the future.

Love Mom

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Leah-

You were the one kid we never knew what to expect. I think it was because of that beautiful smile and the sparkle in your eyes. It always looked like there was a little devilish fun on your mind. We are so proud of the great young lady you have become. Your journey is just beginning and we know you're destined to achieve much in life. We are always behind you. Love you lots!

Mom and Dad



Ah! Leah!

Congratulations on your graduation and best of luck on your next step. You have grown from a stubborn little terror into a kind, selfless charismatic young lady-who is still a little terror at times. We are very proud of you and cannot wait to see what you accomplish next. Kasey and Willie



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Paige,

It feels like it was just yesterday you were our little girl. Now you are graduating from high school. WE are so PROUD of YOU!!! Go as far as life will take you. We love you very much!!!

Love,

Mom and Dad



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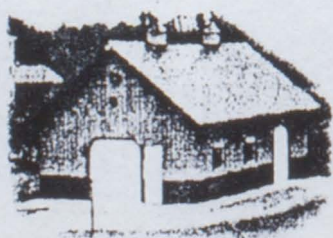


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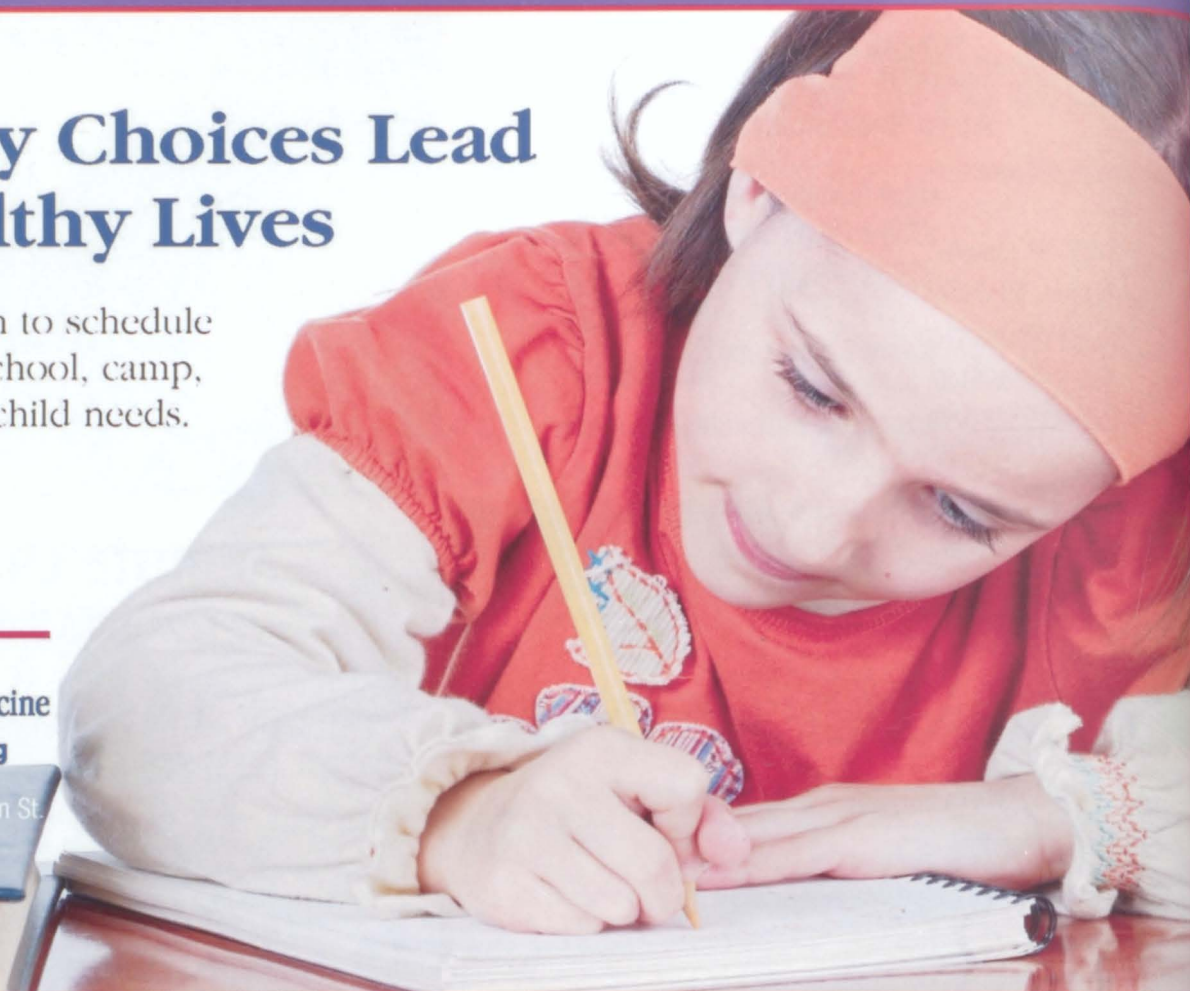


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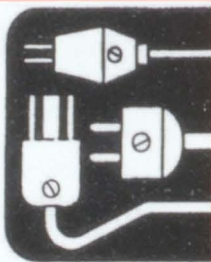
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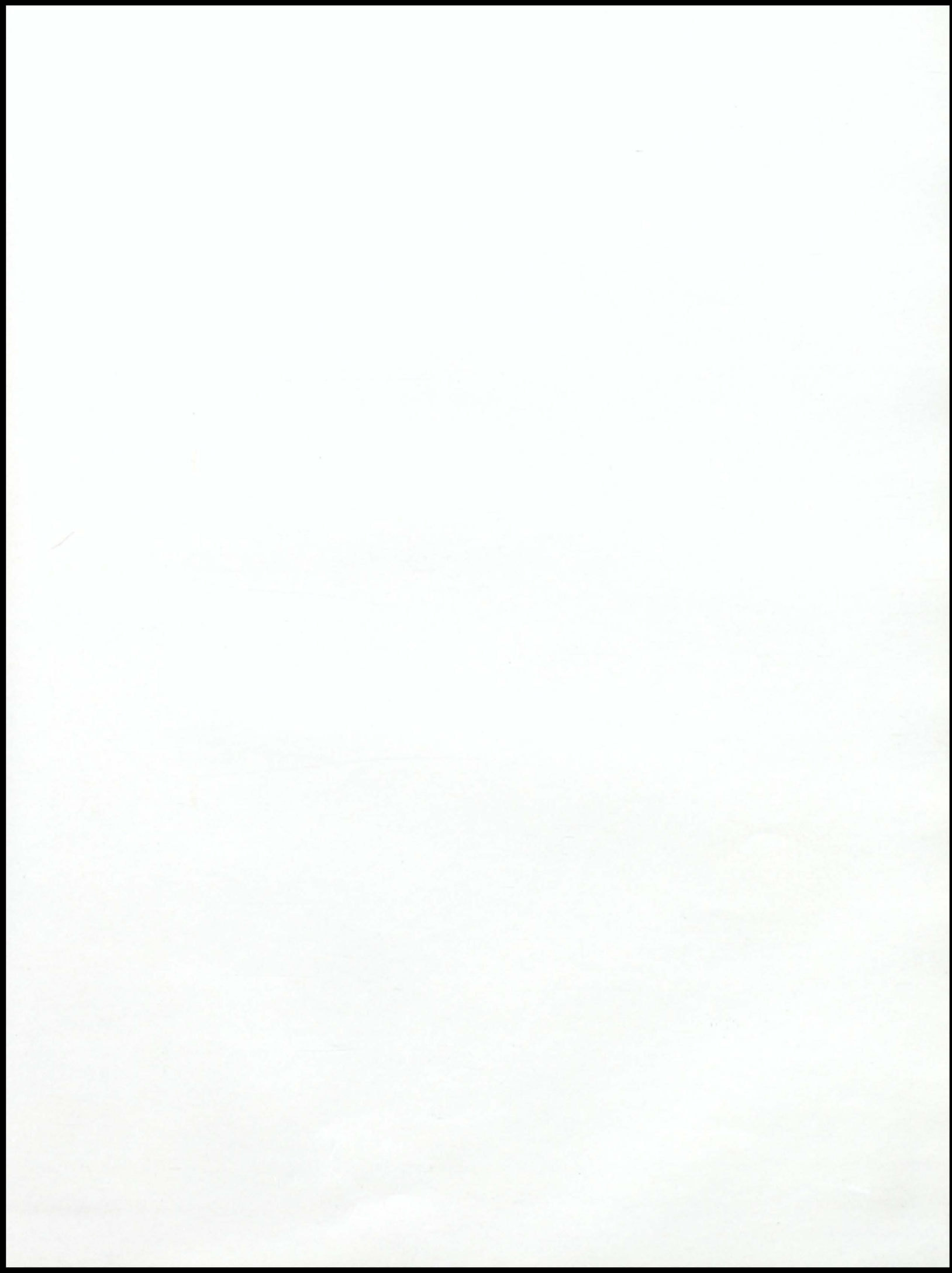


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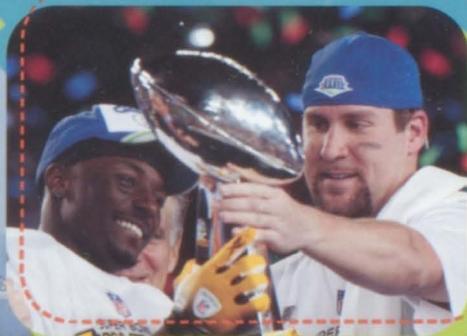








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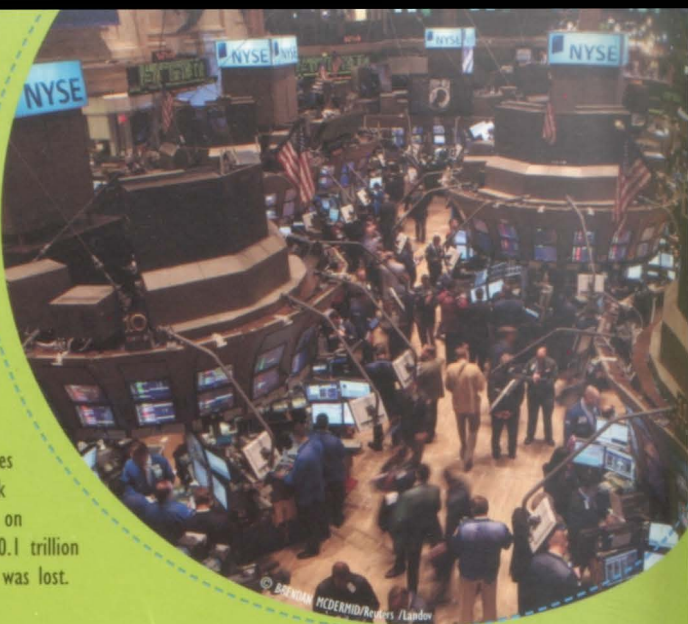
Housing Crisis

The housing market hit crisis status in 2008. With the rise in unemployment, one in 10 homeowners was at least one payment behind on their mortgage or in foreclosure. Nationwide, median home prices fell more than 11 percent to \$183,000—the largest year-over-year drop on record since 1968.



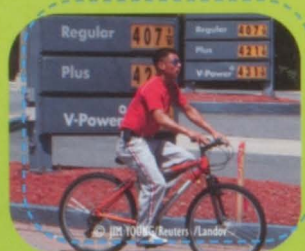
Billion-dollar Bailout

The U.S. Senate sparked intense debate when it approved a \$700 billion plan to rescue Wall Street. The bailout came in response to months of retail sales decline, home foreclosures and record drops in the stock market (dropping 777 points on September 29). Worldwide \$30.1 trillion of global stock market value was lost.



Americans Ditch Cars

With a recession in full swing and commuters concerned about record gas prices, drivers traded their cars for bikes. The Federal Highway Administration reported that Americans drove 9.6 billion fewer miles over the previous year. With consumers buying fewer cars, the big three American automakers felt the pinch. Seeking relief, they asked for and received a \$13.4 billion piece of the federal bailout originally intended for Wall Street.



Hurricane Ike Hits Texas



Thousands of residents evacuated coastal and inland areas of Texas in preparation for Hurricane Ike, which turned out to be the third most destructive hurricane ever to hit the U.S. The early evacuation efforts (put in place after Hurricane Katrina) undoubtedly saved thousands of lives.

Cleared for Takeoff

It's official—Delta bought Northwest Airlines for \$3.1 billion, creating the world's largest airline. The combined new airline now serves more than 390 destinations in 67 countries. It is expected to generate about \$35 billion in yearly revenue and employ 75,000 people.



Energy Independence

The U.S. Congress agreed with President Bush's decision to lift the almost 20-year ban on offshore drilling operations. The high price of crude oil as well as the strategic importance of energy independence led to the decision.



U.S. Troops

After more than five years of war, plans to reduce the presence of U.S. troops in Iraq were moved forward. A new agreement between U.S. and Iraqi officials was ratified, outlining the withdrawal of U.S. troops by 2011. At the same time, in Afghanistan there were 31,000 U.S. troops, and that number is expected to double in 2009.

Winning against Cancer

New diagnoses and deaths from cancer both fell for the first time in the U.S. according to the National Cancer Institute's 2008 report. The overall death rates fell for the most common cancers, dropping .08 percent annually from 1999 to 2005 for both men and women. While overall cancer rates decreased, lung cancer remains a concern in the Midwest and the South. Both areas have yet to adopt anti-smoking laws that ban smoking in public places or to increase taxes on cigarettes.



Crisis in Gaza

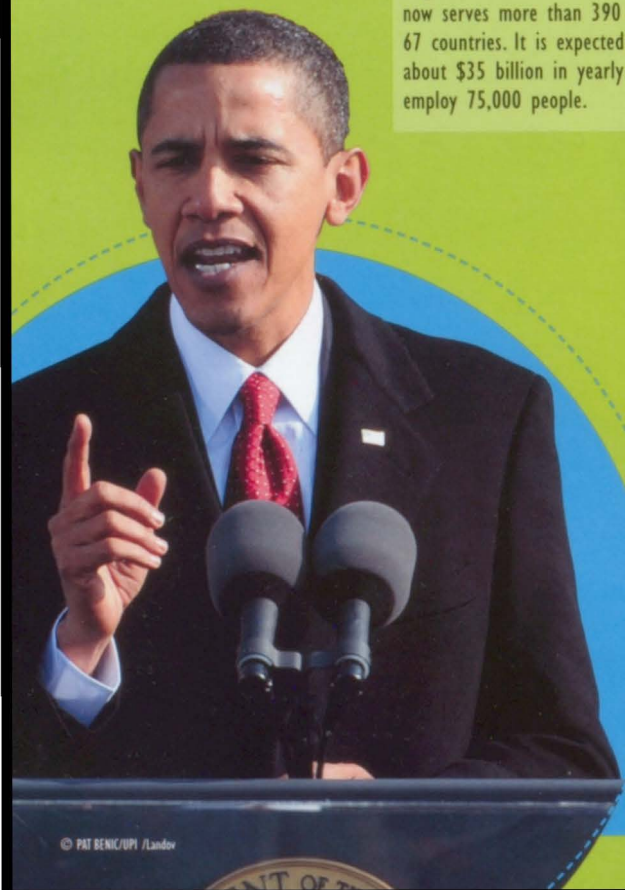
The long-standing conflict in Gaza rose to war when hundreds of civilians lost their lives and thousands were injured in airstrikes and mortar shell attacks waged separately by the Israeli military and Hamas militant groups. Hamas is listed as a terrorist organization by the U.S. and many other Western nations. In January 2009,



Israel withdrew its troops and the Hamas groups declared a cease-fire, ending the three-week war; however tensions between the two sides remain high.

Obama Elected 44th President

In a historic moment, 47-year-old Barack Obama, a freshman senator from Illinois, became America's first African-American president. In addition to shattering 200 years of history, he became the fifth youngest president ever when he was sworn in to office on January 20, 2009. In his inauguration speech, President Obama delivered a message of bipartisan hope and expectation to a crowd of over one million people in Washington D.C. and to millions more via television and the Internet.



Cease Fire

Following a short yet destabilizing conflict, the governments of Georgia and Russia signed a U.S. brokered cease-fire, which required all Russian troops to withdraw to their pre-invasion positions. The invasion was in response to Georgian suppression of Russian supported separatist rebels in the breakaway region of South Ossetia.



Prepared for Landing

In January 2009, US Airways' Pilot C.B. "Sully" Sullenberger prepared for impact less than 90 seconds after taking off from LaGuardia International Airport in New York, as Flight 1549's engines went out after hitting a flock of birds. The pilot decided the safest place to land was in the icy waters of the Hudson River. Pilot Sullenberger's skill and quick response saved the lives of all 155 passengers.

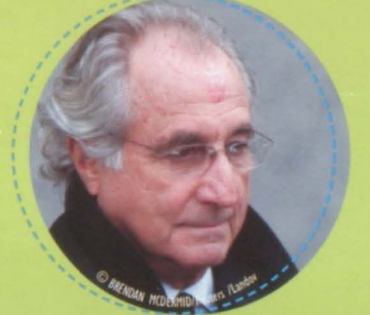


Earthquake Rocks China

A 7.9 magnitude earthquake rocked southwest China leaving 4.8 million people homeless. More than 60,000 people were injured while over 20,000 people lost their lives. To help rebuild the livelihoods, schools and basic services the area needs, several United Nations agencies have set up continuing operations in China.

\$50 Billion Fraud

The former chairman of the Nasdaq Stock Market, Bernard Madoff, was charged with running a \$50 billion Ponzi scheme, in one of the biggest fraud cases in history. Madoff could face 20 years in prison and a \$5 million fine if convicted. Madoff's actions may have cost some of the largest financial firms in the world hundreds of millions of dollars each.

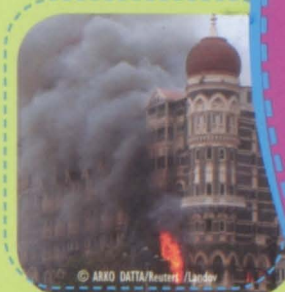


Adventurer to the End

Almost 13 months after adventurer Steve Fossett disappeared in a single-engine plane over Nevada and a year to the day since the search was called off, hikers found his airplane and remains in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Fossett holds many world records including being the first person to fly solo nonstop around the world in a hot air balloon.

Mumbai Targeted

Over three days in November, India's city of Mumbai was attacked by terrorists, allegedly backed by a Pakistani-based Islamic militant group. Over 160 people lost their lives in the planned attack which targeted India's financial center.



Goodnight Nighthawk

After three decades of exemplary service as the first aircraft in history to successfully make use of stealth technology, the F-117 Nighthawk was retired at a private military ceremony. The "Stealth" gained notoriety through now famous camera footage of its precision performance in Desert Storm in the early 1990s.

Myanmar Devastation

A massive cyclone hit the small country of Myanmar in May 2008, tallying an eventual death toll of over 100,000 people. The military government of Myanmar initially refused foreign aid and asserted that it could handle all relief and rescue efforts. According to International Red Cross reports, the lack of immediate international support most likely cost thousands of lives.



An Election to Remember

The nation witnessed several history-making events during the 2008 presidential election.

Alaskan Governor Sarah Palin became the first female Vice Presidential candidate for the Republican Party.



New York Senator Hillary Clinton made a run at America's number one seat as a candidate in the Democratic primary. After withdrawing from the race, Clinton went on to accept the role of Secretary of State in President Obama's administration.



Voters turned out in record numbers with over 133 million Americans showing up at the polls. Social networking websites like YouTube, MySpace and Facebook played a major role in yielding the highest turnout in 40 years.



President Obama's inauguration was visible from space. Satellite images showed the record-breaking 1.8 million people gathered on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. to be a part of the historic event.

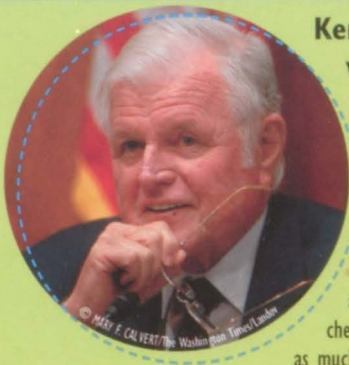
Test Your Presidential Knowledge

- 1. What is the name of the President's office?
a. Square Office b. Oval Office
c. Circular Office d. Presidential Office
- 2. The President often flies on a plane provided by the Air Force. What is the name of the plane?
a. Whitehouse Air b. President's Plane
c. Air Force One d. U.S. Force One
- 3. Which state has yielded the most U.S. Presidents?
a. Illinois b. Texas
c. New York d. Virginia



Answers: 1. b 2. c 3. d

Headline News



Kennedy Diagnosed with Cancer

Senator Edward "Ted" Kennedy was diagnosed with a malignant tumor after suffering a seizure. The tumor was located in the 76-year-old politician's left parietal lobe, near the top of his brain. Recommended treatment included a combination of radiation, chemotherapy and surgery to remove as much of the tumor as could be safely done without harming the senator.

Peanut Butter Recall

An outbreak of salmonella traced to tainted peanut butter products prompted President Obama to order a complete review of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration process. The contaminated products sickened 529 people in 43 states and may have led to the deaths of nine people. King Nut, the company charged with distributing the products filed Chapter 7 bankruptcy.



Ivory Legally for Sale

For the second time in nearly two decades, ivory was offered for sale legally. According to the watchdog group CITES, the United Nations-approved ivory sales will be followed by a resting period of nine years to safeguard elephant stocks. The group reported that the elephant population has increased in recent years and the animal is no longer threatened with extinction. The amount of ivory for sale was equal to the yield from 10,000 or more elephants.



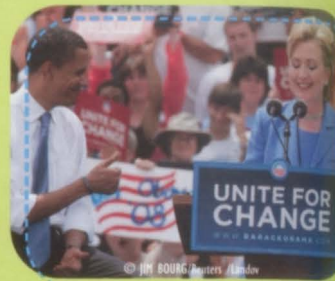
Smart Ride

Washington rolled out America's first high-tech bike-sharing program this year. SmartBikes come with key-card locking systems and tracking devices to prevent theft. Denver and Minneapolis launched bike-sharing programs in the summer, with Chicago, San Francisco, Seattle, Portland, Oregon and Arlington, Virginia making plans for the near future.

Torch Relay Ignites Protest

Thousands of protesters turned out after the Olympic torch flame arrived in San Francisco, waving flags and signs with sayings like "No human rights, no Olympics."

Protestors cited China's actions on Tibet, its policies in Darfur and human rights violations against Chinese citizens. Around the world, similar protests delayed the torch's progress.



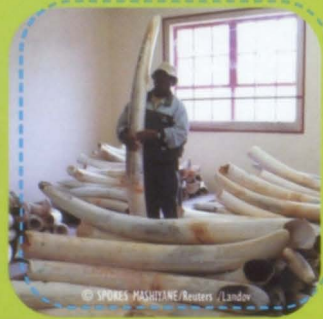
Clinton Endorses Obama

After 17 months of campaigning against him, Senator Hillary Clinton officially conceded victory to Barack Obama. Clinton repeatedly called on her supporters to unite behind her former opponent. Even though her campaign was not successful, Senator Clinton paved the way for a woman to win the White House in the future.



Dam in Grand Canyon Bursts

In August 2008, a remote dam in the Grand Canyon region burst, leading to the evacuation of hundreds of residents, campers and visitors. The waterlogged dam burst after a torrential rain accumulated eight inches in two days. The flooding waters poured into Cataract and Supai Canyon, washing out some hiking trails and footbridges.



Space Travel

Traveling to space is a childhood dream for many people and soon they could achieve it. Virgin Galactic, owned by billionaire Richard Branson, unveiled plans for their suborbital spaceliner. Test flights began in the summer of 2008. Tickets are being offered for an initial price of \$200,000.



In the Doghouse

Killys, a 70-pound pit bull, went for a joy ride that started and ended at an Oklahoma car wash when he was left alone in a car and accidentally slipped it into reverse. After crossing the highway and hitting a curb, the car turned and circled back to the car wash. The dog couldn't quite reach the brakes and crashed into the side of the building. No one was injured and the police officer on the scene let the bewildered dog off with a warning.



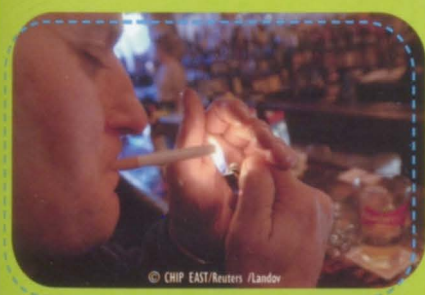
Medal of Honor

Army Master Sgt. Woodrow "Woody" Keeble was awarded the Medal of Honor nearly 26 years after his death for his heroic efforts during the Korean War. Keeble was the first full-blooded Sioux Indian to receive the honor and the 10th person to receive the medal from President Bush. Keeble's family, fellow soldiers, tribal members and four U.S. senators lobbied for nomination.



Fishy Business

Beth Nudelman quickly notified officials of their mistake when she received voter registration material for her deceased goldfish, Princess. The paperwork sent to "Princess Nudelman" likely came from the Women's Voices, Women Vote project, which sent nearly 1 million mailings to Illinois households using a list that mistakenly included pets.



Extreme Thin Outlawed

French lawmakers presented a bill banning the glamorization of extreme thinness. The bill recommends fines of up to \$71,000 and three years in prison for people or businesses that promote extreme thinness. If the bill passes, the law would be the strongest of its kind anywhere in the world.

Hands On

The American Heart Association announced that the "hands on" CPR method works just as well as the mouth-to-mouth technique in most cases of cardiac arrest. The announcement will hopefully encourage hesitant bystanders to step forward to provide life-saving CPR in critical situations.



Smoking Genes
Scientists identified genetic variations that raise the risk of lung cancer in smokers. The research also revealed evidence to suggest that these variations could make carriers more addicted to tobacco.

Russian Blue Wins

A 1.5-year-old Russian Blue cat named Blade Runner won Best in Show at the CFA-Iams Cat Championship in New York. Over 248 cats in 41 breeds competed for various honors throughout the event. Blade Runner became the first Russian Blue to win the title.



Warm the Heart

A recent study suggests that people view others more positively when they're holding something warm, like a cup of coffee or cocoa. The experimenters suggest that the connection between heat and emotion is a result of early associations in childhood.

Pirates Hijack Tankers

In the largest modern-day case of piracy on the high seas, pirates seized a massive Saudi-owned oil supertanker loaded with crude oil and carrying 25 crew members off the Kenyan coast. The hijacking was one of several attacks this year by Somali pirates seeking ransoms. After taking over the vessel, the pirates took it to a Somali port that has become a haven for bandits and seized ships.



With the economy in turmoil, unemployment rose to 7.2%. More than 2.6 million jobs were lost in 2008, the highest number since World War II.



Starbucks, the reigning king of coffee, announced that it would close 600 stores. With increased competition from McDonald's and Americans making financial sacrifices, the coffee chain faced an uncertain future.



Despite economic instability, Google chose to keep employee perks, like ping pong and free lunches, as other companies slashed costs and benefits. Google maintains that their laid-back atmosphere leads to devoted and focused employees.



Many teens were not troubled by the economic crisis. In a survey of 769 high school students, 8 percent owned an iPhone and 22 percent expected to buy one in the next six months.

Test Your Election Knowledge

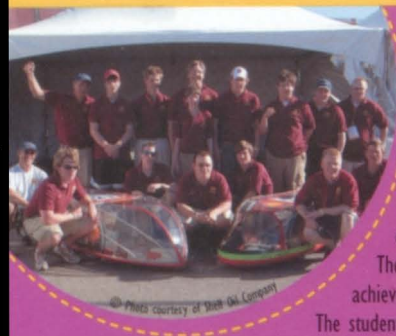
- 1. A third party candidate won the presidential election in 1984.
True or False
- 2. How many electoral votes are necessary to win the presidential election?
a. 270 b. 51
c. 1776 d. 102

- 3. Your right to vote can be taken away.
True or False



Answers: 1. False 2. a 3. True

Planet Earth



Teens Take Title

A high school team from Mater Dei High School in Evansville, Indiana beat out students from 23 universities to take the Shell Eco-marathon grand prize for designing, building and driving a vehicle that went the farthest distance using the least amount of fuel. The three-wheeled combustion engine car achieved an amazing 2,843.4 miles per gallon. The students won \$10,000 for their invention.

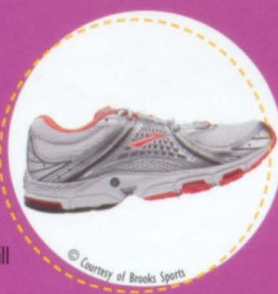


Trash to Gas

The high price of gas in 2008 put a spotlight on the study of alternative fuel sources. In America, at the University of California at Davis, engineers repurposed table scraps into bio-gas. In similar studies in the United Kingdom and Japan, jellyfish, spoiled milk and confectionary waste were all given new life as alternative fuel sources.

Run Green

Did you know that a running shoe can last 1,000 years in a landfill? Brooks® has designed a shoe that reduces your carbon footprint—literally. The shoe features a new kind of midsole called BioMoGo, which degrades 50 times faster than a standard running shoe. Brooks® estimates that its green footwear will reduce 30 million pounds of landfill waste over a 20-year period.



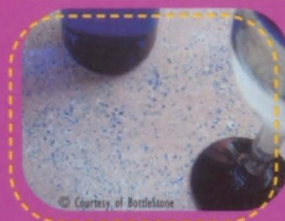
Farms of the Future

In the future, farms could rise straight into the air resembling skyscrapers instead of sprawling acres of land. "Vertical" farming presents many advantages over traditional farming, mainly growing more food on less land. Currently, it takes a plot of land as large as Virginia to grow enough food for approximately 8 million people.



Stone or Glass?

Add countertops to the list of eco-friendly products. BottleStone, a Los Altos Hills company that makes ceramic stone countertops out of recycled glass, walked away with the \$100,000 prize from the CleanTech Open, a contest showcasing the newest innovations in the world of sustainability. The company said that zero emissions are created in the production of the new surface material, yet the glass countertops are as strong as concrete and cost less than marble or granite.



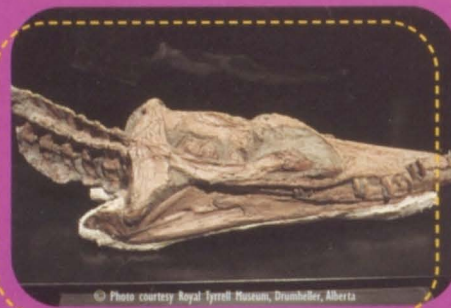
Tejon Ranch Protected

Conservationists and developers in California reached a historic agreement that will permanently protect the Tejon Ranch, 240,000 acres of land just north of Los Angeles. The newly protected area provides a critical habitat to many wildlife species. The strong support for environmental conservation is a sign of the times and will guarantee public access for generations to come.



Bird, Mammal or Reptile?

One of the most curious animals on the planet, the platypus, has a duck's bill, mammal fur and snake-like venom. Scientists mapped its genetic makeup, which indicates that this strange looking creature is, in fact, a little bit of all three—bird, mammal and reptile.



Ancient Sea Creature Discovered

A new group of plesiosaurs, a reptile species that swam in ancient seas, was discovered in North America. The plesiosaurs roamed during the Jurassic and Cretaceous periods—about 65-205 million years ago. This find represents one of the oldest and most complete skeletons of a prehistoric aquatic reptile ever discovered in North America.

Earth Invades Mars

Usually we think of Martians invading Earth but it looks like Earthlings will make contact first. In May 2008, NASA's Phoenix Lander arrived on Mars and for the first time discovered ice on the Red Planet.



Shipwreck Treasure

Geologists searching for diamonds off the coast of Africa discovered a treasure far more rare—a shipwreck loaded with gold and silver coins, as well as ivory and cannons used to fend off pirates. The ship is thought to be around 500 years old, dating back to the time of Vasco de Gama and Christopher Columbus.



Sustainable Dave

Cameraman Dave Chameides embarked on a study to reduce waste. To showcase his effort he saved all of his trash for one year—only 30.5 lbs. In comparison, the average family throws away 1,700 lbs. of trash annually. Chameides conducts seminars and writes a sustainability blog teaching that "no one can do everything, but everyone can do something."



Running on Air

Zero Pollution Motors, together with automaker MDI, plans to produce an affordable, environmentally-friendly car powered by air. While it won't run like a sports car, it can reach speeds of 35 miles per hour for 60 miles on a tank of compressed air, a sufficient distance for 80 percent of consumers to commute to work and run errands. On highways, it can cruise at interstate speeds for 800 miles with a small motor that compresses outside air to keep the tank fueled. Vehicle sales are slated for 2011.



Quarter-Sized Slither

A U.S. scientist discovered the world's tiniest species of snake, measuring only four inches long, on the island of Barbados in the Caribbean. Out of 3,100 known snake species, the newly named Zootaxa snake is so small it can curl up to the size of a quarter.



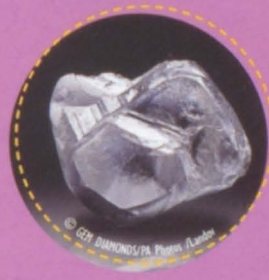
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Colossal Carats

A potentially record-breaking diamond, totalling 478 carats, was found in the small southern African country of Lesotho. Although not the largest diamond found to date, this particular stone is valued for having the highest possible color rating for a white diamond and its potential to produce a polished stone of over 100 carats—now that's a rock!



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Super Earth Planets Discovered

Astronomers discovered 45 "super Earth" planets, indicating that one-third of all stars have a solar system in orbit with planets similar to Earth in size. Don't hold out for tiny green men, these planets orbit close to their stars (measuring mean temperatures of 354 degrees Fahrenheit) and cannot harbor life.

Elusive White Whale Spotted

A rare sighting of a white killer whale had biologists running for their cameras. The scientific team on board the Oscar Dyson spotted the nearly mythical creature off of Alaska's Aleutian Islands. According to the research biologist who snapped a photo of the animal's back and fin, it was the equivalent to finding a "needle in a haystack."



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Solar Wind Source Found

With the help of images shot from the Hinode space observatory, scientists pinpointed the source of the stream of particles that make up slow solar wind. Astronomers knew where fast solar wind originated but knew little about slow solar wind. Now scientists know that it comes from the region above the Sun's equator allowing them to better understand the dynamics of space weather and solar storms.



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Under the Sea

A marine survey revealed thousands of discoveries from beneath the surface of the sea, including a city of starfish and a carpet of crustaceans. The Census of Marine Life is part of a worldwide project to understand life under the sea. The census is expected to reveal important information about 230,000 known marine species and possibly identify more than 5,500 new species.



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by Washington while he lived on the farm from 1738-1754. Archaeologists were able to piece together the home's structure, making it possible to build a replica.

Find at Ferry Farm

George Washington's boyhood home was discovered at Ferry Farm, along the Rappahannock River near Fredericksburg, Virginia. The exciting find revealed many artifacts that could have been used



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Eye on the Environment

Around the globe, evidence of climate change continued to make news.

In 2008, a 160-square mile chunk of Antarctic ice—seven times bigger than Manhattan—broke away, placing more glacial ice at risk.



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Carbon dioxide is entering the atmosphere at a faster rate than plants and oceans can absorb it.



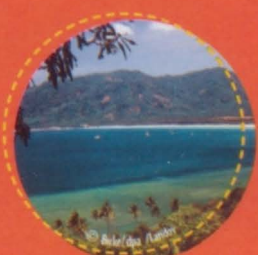
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More than a million species face extinction due to climate change including the polar bear, which in May 2008 was officially added to the list of endangered species.



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Some scientists warn that sea levels could rise as much as 23 inches by the century's end. Rises of just four inches could flood many South Sea Islands and swamp large parts of Southeast Asia.



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Test Your Environmental Knowledge

1. How much water can you save per day by turning off the faucet while you brush your teeth?

- a. 8 gallons
- b. 100 gallons
- c. 20 gallons
- d. 50 gallons

2. If every household in the U.S. used recycled paper towels, how many trees would be saved each year?

- a. 1,000
- b. 544,000
- c. 200
- d. 200,000

3. Over one million plastic bags are used per minute worldwide.

True or False

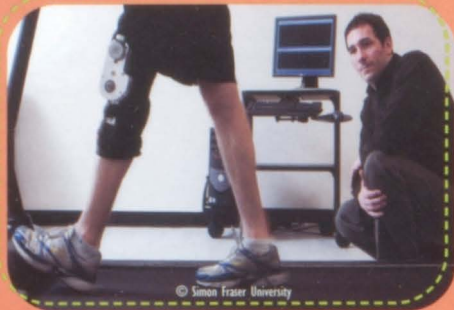


Answers: 1. a 2. b 3. True

Tech Topics

Walk This Way

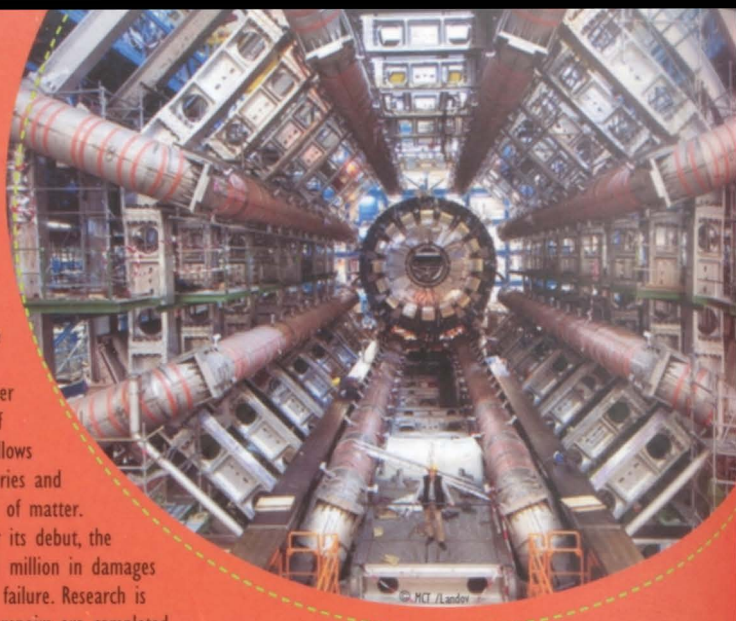
Discovering new ways to generate energy is a top priority. Kinesiologist Max Donelan from Simon Fraser University invented a device that harvests energy from the simple and routine act of walking. The 3.5 lbs. device wraps around each knee generating five watts of power—enough to charge 10 cell phones.



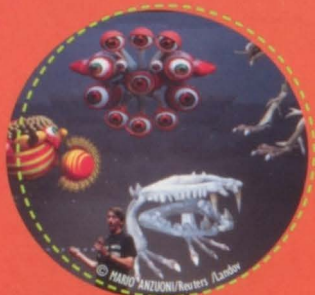
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Large Hadron Collider

Scientists at the European Organization for Nuclear Research developed the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) that smashes atom protons together at 99.9999% of the speed of light. The \$9 billion device allows scientists to test physics theories and better understand the nature of matter. Unfortunately, nine days after its debut, the "atom smasher" suffered \$21 million in damages as the result of an electrical failure. Research is planned to resume after the repairs are completed.



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Get a Life-Form

It's not what "they" will think of next, but what gamers will create in their own video game experience. *Spore™*, the new game by Will Wright, the creator of *SimCity* and the *Sims*, allows players to design their own unique life-form and manage every aspect of its progression through centuries.

Floating Ads

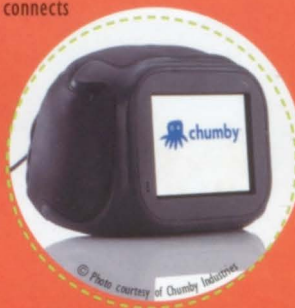
Created by a company called Flogo, these new floating advertisements can take the shape of anything you want—from simple messages to images of superheroes. The "clouds" are made by combining soap-based foams with lightweight gases such as helium. The company uses repurposed artificial snow machines to create the floating ads which last 30-40 minutes on average and don't pollute the environment.



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Let's Get Chumby

The newest form of on-the-go entertainment, Chumby connects to your wi-fi to keep you up-to-date on your favorite music, podcasts, celebrity news, videos, games, photos and more. Chumby technology delivers your favorite parts of the Internet, leaving the keyboard and computer behind.



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Computer Hears

Dictation software is nothing new but Nuance's Dragon® NaturallySpeaking® 10 is the first program on the market that adjusts for the different ways people speak. The program recognizes eight accents including Australian, British, Spanish and Southern United States and understands basic commands such as "italicize" and "search." Now if it could only do your homework.



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Back in the Swim of Things

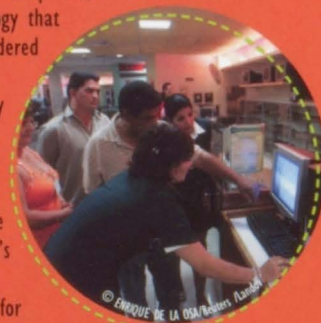
Pierre, a 25-year-old penguin at the California Academy of Sciences, was losing his feathers. Without waterproof feathers penguins cannot survive the cold. An aquatic biologist created a wetsuit for him like the ones humans wear making it possible for him to join his fully-feathered friends.



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Cuba Gets Wired

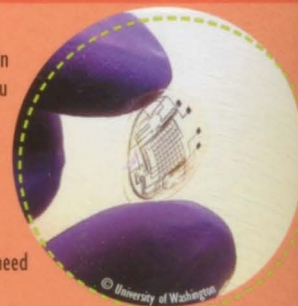
Desktop computers, a technology that is considered a necessity in the U.S., became available to Cuba's public market for the first time ever. While few could afford the QTech computers that cost nearly \$800, electronic stores throughout Cuba drew crowds of excited onlookers.



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Superhuman Contacts

Soon you may be able to use bionic contacts to zoom in on distant objects, displaying useful facts about what you see. These super-power lenses use tiny light-emitting diodes (LEDs) powered by solar cells and a radio frequency receiver to display images and information in midair. The invention could prove beneficial to drivers and pilots as well as video gamers by projecting directions and speed within their view, eliminating the need for external screens.



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Clean Keys

Seal Shield LLC introduced the world's first fully submersible, dishwasher safe, antimicrobial, glow-in-the-dark keyboard. The Silver Seal Flex™ keyboards have the potential to reduce the risk of getting sick from colds and other communicable diseases.



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Going Digital

U.S. households prepared for television's final transition from analog to digital. To help consumers absorb the cost of a necessary converter box, the government issued \$40 vouchers. The Obama administration sought support from Congress to postpone the transition after the Commerce Department reached its funding limit. The request was passed by the Senate as consumers continued to prepare for the digital switch.



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Off the Chain

No need to worry about pinching your finger or getting your pants stuck in a bike chain. Wisconsin-based Trek Bicycle introduced two models of chainless bikes that move using the same technology as motorcycles and snowmobiles. These bikes are low maintenance, environmentally friendly and light weight making them ideal for city commuters.



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No Ordinary Pen

The Pulse™ smartpen developed by Livescribe is the latest "it" gadget that transforms an ordinary pen into a digital tool. The high-tech

pen records what you hear or

say while writing, plays back your recordings and provides visual cues on a tiny imbedded display screen. The information can then be downloaded to your computer for easy editing.



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gone. Scientists began development on a formula to allow teeth to re-grow the crystals that make up dentin and enamel; materials that make teeth the strongest element in the body.

Sitting on Cloud 9

Forget sandy beaches, the British have a new way to relax: an acrylic lounge that can hover in midair. The gravity-defying chair developed by Hoverit LTD works by repelling magnetic forces producing the sensation of floating on a cloud.



High-Tech Gift Cards

Retailers went high-tech with gift cards to entice consumers. Best Buy created a card with tiny speakers and a headphone jack allowing users to listen to their favorite music, while Target® introduced a 1.2 megapixel camera gift card. Lucky recipients enjoyed two gifts in one.



Design for a Cause

Dell unveiled an exclusive gallery of artistic designs that consumers may purchase to personalize their laptop. With every sale, Dell contributes \$20 to The Global Fund, a charity helping AIDS patients in Africa.

COLOUR PANELS INSPIRON STUDIO



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Bionic Hand

The world's first bionic hand was created by Touch Bionics. The iLimb's revolutionary motorized fingers have the ability to grasp narrow objects and the power to hold heavier objects like coffee cups, giving users more independence.



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The Auto Age

One-hundred years ago the Ford Model T was introduced. In the years to follow, vehicle technology and innovation continued to evolve.

The Model T changed the face of transportation when Henry Ford began using the conveyor belt for production, making cars affordable for the masses. Following in its footsteps came the "family utility" vehicles, the station wagon (1947), mini van (1983) and SUV (1990), accommodating the growing needs of busy families.



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Hybrid technology emerged as consumers demanded fuel efficiency. Honda's Insight, the first hybrid marketed in the U.S. led the way for many other top automakers to develop their own line of gas/electric vehicles.



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In the Next 100

Years, automakers plan to push automotive technology even farther by promoting eco-chic cars, electrically powered luxury vehicles for drivers who don't want to compromise strong design for environmental friendliness.



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Test Your NASA Knowledge

Did you know? NASA celebrated its 50th birthday this year. What started in 1958 as a small laboratory with 80 employees is now an agency with more than 17,000 people in 10 centers around the country.

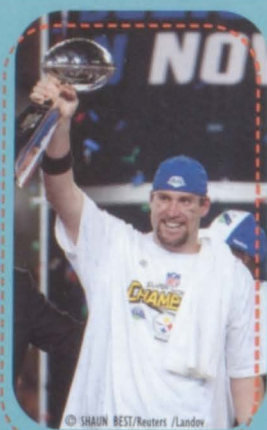
- NASA has focused its efforts on a return to the moon, where they intend to**
 - Someday build a sustainable long-term human presence
 - Return moon rocks from previous missions
 - Have a fashion show featuring newly designed space suits
- What is the name of the Galaxy in which we live?**
 - Andromeda
 - Milky Way
 - Galactose
 - Alpha Quadrant
- Astronauts will soon be able to send and receive emails while in space.** True or False



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Answers: 1. a 2. b 3. True

The Scoreboard



Steel-ing the Win

The Pittsburgh Steelers won a record-setting sixth Super Bowl title by defeating the Arizona Cardinals. A game-winning touchdown in the final seconds moved the score to 27-23, giving the Steelers a tension packed last-minute win. Steelers' wide receiver Santonio Holmes was named MVP.

Double-Dutch

Double-dutch is now an officially recognized sport in New York City high schools. A year after cricket was inducted as a varsity sport, school administrators have added double-dutch as a way to increase student participation in competitive sports. Cycling, badminton and netball are also being considered.



Striking Gold at the X Games

Ryan Sheckler, the X Games' youngest street skateboarding gold medalist at age 13 in 2003, struck gold again at the 2008 Games. Female skateboard champ, Elissa Steamer, returned to claim her fourth gold medal.



Eight is Great

Michael Phelps was the shining star of the 2008 Beijing Olympics, winning eight gold medals, breaking Mark Spitz's record for most gold medals won in a single Olympic Games. Phelps swam 17 times over nine days and broke the world record in four of his five individual swims. His three relay teams also set world records. Phelps' achievements led to Sports Illustrated naming him 2008 Sportsman of the Year plus numerous endorsements.

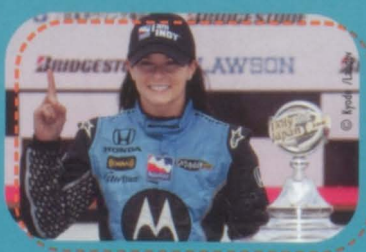


Serena's Comeback

A backhand shot signaled tennis star Serena Williams' return to glory. With her 6-4, 7-5 victory over Jelena Jankovic at the US Open, Williams regained the No. 1 world ranking, a title she last held in 2003. The gap between achieving No. 1 world rankings is the longest in history for a woman or a man.

Racing Victories

2008 was a year of surprises in car racing, especially for Danica Patrick and Jimmie Johnson. Patrick was in the spotlight, becoming the first woman ever to win an Indy Car race. Johnson won his third straight NASCAR Sprint title, making him one of two drivers in NASCAR history to win three championships in a row in the marquee series. With his win, Johnson tied Cale Yarborough's 30-year record.

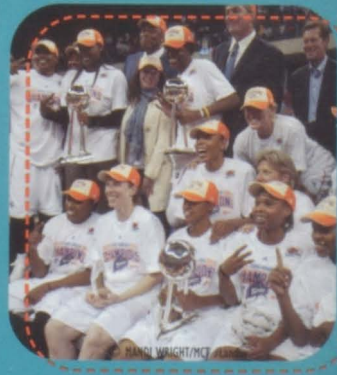


Celtics Win 17th NBA Title

The Boston Celtics won their first NBA title in 22 years. In Game 6 of the playoffs they won with a 131-92 blowout over the Los Angeles Lakers. The win was also the first for the "Big Three," Paul Pierce, Kevin Garnett and Ray Allen.

Silver Stars Shock-ed

The Detroit Shock swept a three game series over the San Antonio Silver Stars to win their third WNBA title. Katie Smith, Detroit's leading scorer in all three games, was named Finals MVP.



Immelman Grabs Green

Trevor Immelman overcame Tiger Woods and Phil Mickelson with a score of 75 in the final round to win the coveted green jacket at the Masters in Augusta, Georgia. Vijay Singh was the season's overall winner scoring the most points and claiming the FedEx Cup and its \$10 million prize.



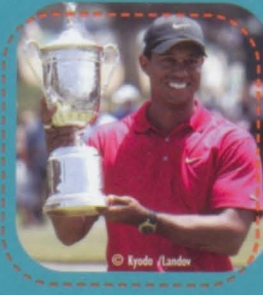
Win for Shin

Twenty-year-old Ji-Yai Shin of South Korea became the first non-LPGA member to win three LPGA events with her win at the ADT Championship, marking her 11th worldwide victory in 2008. The event was bittersweet for women's golf legend Annika Sorenstam who failed to make the cut in her last official LPGA tournament before retirement.



Tiger Tamed

After winning the U.S. Open, golf legend Tiger Woods announced that he had been playing with a leg injury. Despite his injury, Tiger played 91 holes, defeating Rocco Mediate on the 19th hole of the playoff. Woods chose to end his season early to treat his injury. The famous golfer has 65 victories; ranking third of all-time on the PGA Tour with 14 professional majors, making him second only to the record 18 won by Jack Nicklaus.



Hole-in-One Times Five!

Amateur golfer Curt Hocker of central Illinois hit five hole-in-ones in one week at the El Paso Golf Club. The 22-year-old, who works in the club's pro shop, has recorded seven aces (five on par-4s) and two other double eagles in the past year. Hocker, along with his friends and family who witnessed his strokes of luck, is mystified by the repeat performances.





Kickin'!

The U.S. Women's Soccer National Team captured the Algarve Cup once again, defeating Denmark 2-1 at Municipal Stadium in Portugal. The team went on to win the 2008 Peace Queen Cup with a 1-0 victory over Canada. The victory marked the second time the U.S. has defeated Canada by a 1-0 score to win the Peace Queen Cup.

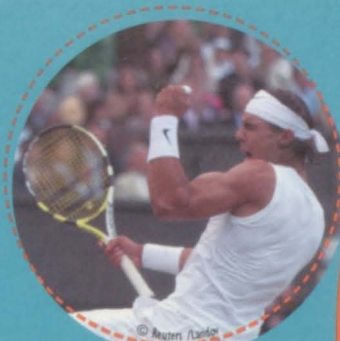
MLS Cup Glory

For the first time in franchise history, the Columbus Crew became Major League Men's Soccer champions with a 3-1 win over the New York Red Bulls. League MVP Guillermo Barros Schelotto scored a Cup Final-record three assists to help deliver the championship in only his second season.



Wimbledon Winner

The 122nd Wimbledon Championship concluded with a grand finale, when Spain's Rafael Nadal brought down five-time champion Roger Federer in the longest men's final in the history of the All England Club. Nadal's victory took four hours and 48 minutes of actual playing time.



Olympic Moments

In August, 204 countries participated in the Summer Olympic Games in Beijing, China and captured the attention of a global audience.

Opening Ceremony - At promptly 8 p.m. on the eighth day of the eighth month of 2008 (eight is considered one of the luckiest numbers in China) millions of people around the world watched the opening ceremony. The extravaganza was a mix of music, artistry and fireworks showcasing China's national pride and 5,000 years of tradition. The \$300 million event with a cast of 14,000 raised the bar for future Olympics.



Run for the Roses

Big Brown won the 134th running of the Kentucky Derby in a final kick that gave him a 4 3/4-length victory before a crowd of 157,770, the second-largest in history. With this win Big Brown became the seventh undefeated Kentucky Derby winner in history. The victory celebration was eclipsed by a fatal injury to Eight Belles, the second place winner.

Science of Swimming

Speedo's LZR Racer, a new high-tech one-piece swimsuit, molds a swimmer's body into an aerodynamic shape, potentially giving swimmers more buoyancy in the water. Several swimmers, including Michael Phelps, debuted the suits at the 2008 Summer Olympics.



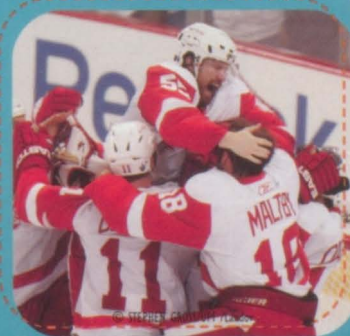
Fabulous over 40

Dara Torres, 41, surprised everyone when she returned to her fifth Olympic Games with teammates nearly half her age. Torres won the silver medal in the 50 meter freestyle sprint final, swimming a personal best of 24.07 seconds, but missing the gold by just .01 seconds.



Fantastic Phillies

After 25 years, the Philadelphia Phillies won the World Series trophy. Despite a rain-delayed game, they took down the Tampa Bay Rays 4-3 in Game 5 to win their second World Series title. The team named Cole Hamels MVP. Hamels out pitched Scott Kazmir for a 3-2 win in the opener, then tossed six effective innings before the delay, but never pitched in the final game. Hamels finished 1-0 with a 2.77 ERA in two World Series starts.



Red Wings Capture Cup

After a surprising loss in Game 5, the Detroit Red Wings made a triumphant comeback in Game 6 of the 2008 Stanley Cup Finals, winning 3-2 against the Pittsburgh Penguins. The Stanley Cup win was the fourth for the team in 11 seasons.

Bolt Sprints to Win

Jamaican born Usain Bolt took the track by storm with three record-setting runs which all won him gold medals. Bolt now boasts the title "Fastest Man Alive," running the 100 meter dash in 9.69 seconds.



Test Your Baseball Knowledge

Did you know? The catchy jingle, "Take Me Out to the Ball Game," written by Jack Norworth, is 100 years old.

- Which Major League Baseball player holds the record for the most homeruns?
a. Alex Rodriguez b. Babe Ruth
c. Barry Bonds d. Hank Aaron
- What is the most popular food to eat at a baseball game?
a. Pizza b. Hot Dogs
c. Peanuts d. Cracker Jacks®
- How many Major League Baseball teams are there in the U.S.?
a. 30 b. 75
c. 15 d. 102



Answers: 1. c 2. b 3. a

Chart Toppers



Battle of the Davids

David Cook and David Archuleta were the last contestants standing in the 2008 *American Idol* Finale. Cook won the seventh season of *American Idol*, receiving 56 percent of the 97.5 million votes cast, beating Archuleta by a margin of 12 million.



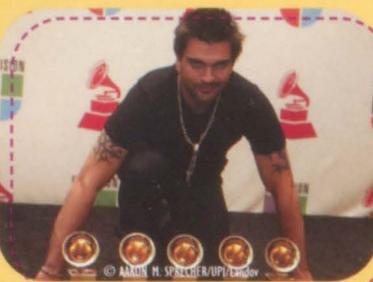
AMA Winners

Chris Brown was the big winner at the American Music Awards taking home three awards including Favorite Male Pop/Rock Artist. Kanye West, Rihanna and Alicia Keys also walked away with multiple awards, while newcomer Taylor Swift was awarded Favorite Female Country Artist.



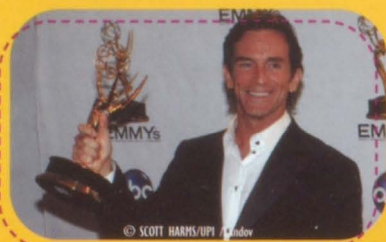
Good as Gold

The uplifting film *Slumdog Millionaire*, presented partly in Hindi, charmed the Golden Globes judges, who awarded it Best Dramatic Picture. The night's other big winners included Kate Winslet for Best Actress in a Drama for *Revolutionary Road* and Best Supporting Actress for her role in *The Reader*. Mickey Rourke made a comeback in *The Wrestler* winning Best Actor. The HBO television series *John Adams* picked up four awards while NBC's *30 Rock* was named Best Comedy with its star and creator Tina Fey picking up Best Actress in a Comedy and her cast mate Alec Baldwin winning Best Actor in a Comedy.



John Adams Rules

HBO ruled the 60th Primetime Emmy Awards, winning a record 13 Emmys for its hit mini-series *John Adams*. The first Emmy for outstanding host for a reality or reality-competition program was awarded to Jeff Probst of *Survivor*. *The Daily Show* with Jon Stewart prevailed as outstanding comedy series and CBS's *The Amazing Race* was named outstanding reality-competition program—both show's victories marked a record breaking six straight wins.



Juanes Sweeps Latin Grammys

The 2008 Latin Grammy Awards was a night to remember for Colombian rocker Juanes, who took home five awards for Record of the Year, Album of the Year, Song of the Year, Best Short Form Video and Best Male Pop Vocal Album. Newcomer Kany Garcia won Best New Artist and Best Female Pop Vocal Album. Marc Anthony also walked away with the Best Salsa Album award.

Mariah Moves Up

Chart-topper Mariah Carey broke Elvis Presley's record for No. 1 hits on the Billboard Hot 100 with her 18th hit single, making her second only to The Beatles. The single that broke The King's record comes from her latest album *E=MC²*—a follow up to her best-selling Grammy-winning release, *The Emancipation of Mimi*.



Moon Man Madness

The Video Music Awards gave out the famed moon man trophy to the year's top video performers. Chris Brown won Best Male Video for *With You* and Lil Wayne won Best Hip-Hop Video for *Lollipop*. Britney Spears took home three awards for her *Piece of Me* video winning Video of the Year, Best Female Video and Best Pop Video.



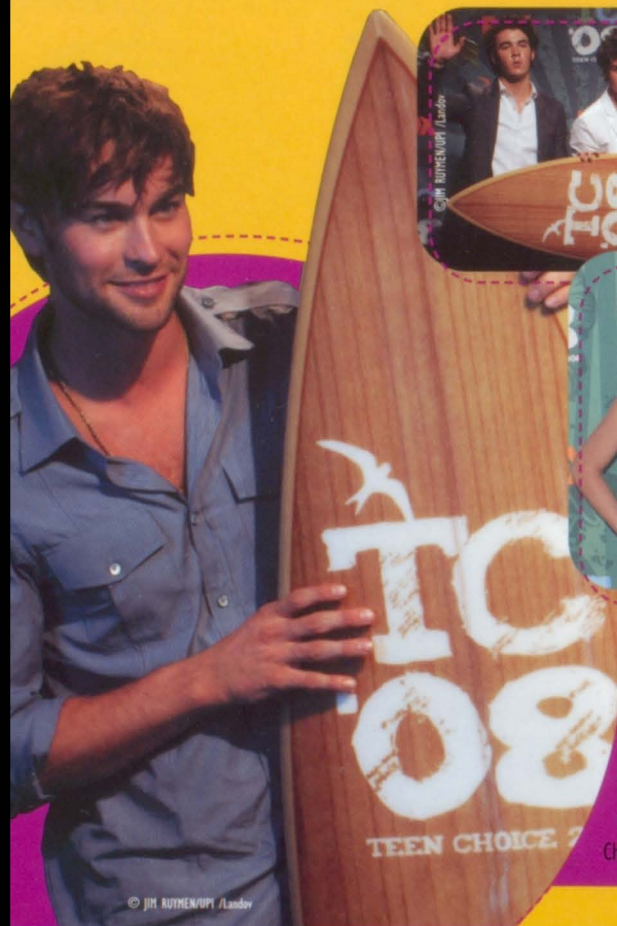
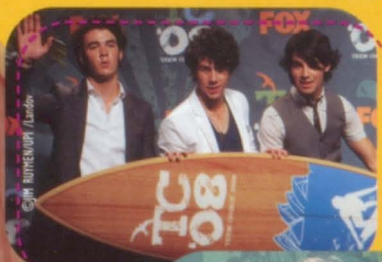
Black Entertainment Television Awards

The 2008 BET Awards was a night of wins for all-star entertainers like Missy Elliott, who won Best Female Hip-Hop Artist and Kanye West, who took home Best Male Hip-Hop Artist. UGK and Outkast won Video of the Year for *International Player's Anthem (I Choose You)*. Heartthrob Chris Brown snagged the Best Male R&B Artist award and Alicia Keys won Best Female R&B Artist.



Surfboard Goes to...

Gossip Girl has six more reasons (in the form of surfboard trophies) to rule the school. The Teen Choice Awards were selected based on over 30 million votes cast online by teenagers who hailed the prep-school drama as their top choice. Chace Crawford and Blake Lively each took home a Breakout Actor Award. The Jonas Brothers also took home six awards: Choice Breakout Band, Choice Male Hotties and Choice Male Red Carpet Icons, Choice Music: Single, Choice Music: Summer Song and Choice Music: Love Song.



Gone Country

George Strait took home four trophies from the 42nd annual Country Music Awards. To date he has received 22 awards, an industry record. Kenny Chesney picked up his fourth Entertainer of the Year Award, and Brad Paisley won his second Male Vocalist and fourth Music Video of the Year Award for *Waitin' on a Woman*. The night wasn't all about the guys. Carrie Underwood, who also



became the newest member of the Grand Ole Opry, snagged her third consecutive Female Vocalist of the Year Award.

Five for Feist

Singer/songwriter Feist was nominated for five Juno Awards and took home all of them, beating out Avril Lavigne and Celine Dion. Feist's awards included Artist of the Year, Album of the Year and Pop Album of the Year for *The Reminder* and Songwriter of the Year for *My Moon My Man*, *1234* and *I Feel it All*. Michael Bublé won the Fan Choice Award and Serena Ryder won New Artist of the Year.



Top 5 of 2008

Movies

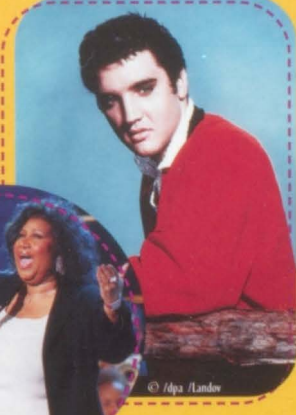
- 1. *The Dark Knight*\$530,722,000
- 2. *Iron Man*\$318,313,199
- 3. *Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull*\$317,023,851
- 4. *Hancock*\$227,946,274
- 5. *WALL-E*\$223,719,052

(According to Box Office Mojo)



Mega Musicians

According to the *Rolling Stone* list of 100 Greatest Singers of All Time, Aretha Franklin, the queen of soul, was named No. 1. Ray Charles, Elvis Presley, Sam Cooke and John Lennon rounded out the top five.

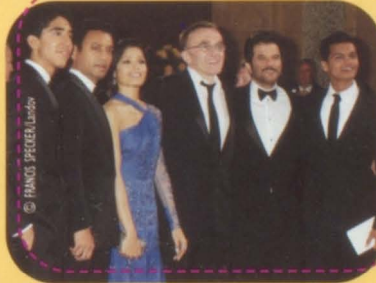


People Award

Dark Knight
The Dark Knight emerged as the people's favorite in the movie category, winning five People's Choice Awards including Favorite Action Movie and Favorite Superhero. Other winners included *27 Dresses* for Favorite Comedy, *Heroes* for Favorite Sci-fi/Fantasy Television Show and *The Simpsons* for Favorite Animated Comedy. Tina Fey won Favorite Funny Female Star and Ellen DeGeneres won Favorite Talk Show Host. In vocals, Jordin Sparks, Carrie Underwood and Chris Brown all took home awards.

Academy Awards®

Slumdog Millionaire emerged the big winner of the 81st Academy Awards, picking up eight Oscars including Best Motion Picture, Best Director and Best Adapted Screenplay. Sean Penn upset sentimental favorite Mickey Rourke in the Lead Actor category, while Kate Winslet won for Lead Actress. The late Heath Ledger won for Best Supporting Actor and Penelope Cruz became the first Spanish actress to win Best Supporting Actress.



Songs

- 1. *Low*
Flo Rida Featuring T-Pain
- 2. *Bleeding Love*
Leona Lewis
- 3. *No One*
Alicia Keys
- 4. *Lollipop*
Lil Wayne featuring Static Major
- 5. *Apologize*
Timbaland featuring OneRepublic

(According to Billboard Hot 100)



Music's Biggest Night

Robert Plant and Alison Krauss were the big winners at the 51st Annual Grammy Awards. Plant and Krauss received five Grammys, including the night's biggest award, Album of the Year for *Raising Sand* plus Record of the Year, Best Pop Collaboration, Best Country Collaboration with Vocals and Best Contemporary Folk/American Album. The other top winners were British band Coldplay who grabbed three awards and Lil Wayne who received four awards.



Test Your Music Knowledge

- 1. At 14 years old, this person was the youngest to ever win a Grammy.
- 2. With the release of his/her 3rd album, this singer/actor breaks the record for youngest person ever to have three No. 1 albums in two years.
- 3. At the age of 13, this singing sensation became the youngest person to hit No. 1 on the Billboard music charts.



Search Terms

- 1. Obama
- 2. Facebook
- 3. att (AT&T)
- 4. iPhone
- 5. YouTube

(According to Google Zeitgeist)



Answers: 1. LeAnn Rimes 2. Miley Cyrus 3. Stevie Wonder

The Scoop

Sole Survivor

Thanks to decades of fans who have adopted Converse shoes as part of their rock-star wardrobe the company celebrated its 100-year anniversary. Converse reinvented classic designs in its Century footwear collection to honor its achievement.



Text Mania

Figures show that traditional landlines are becoming a thing of the past. The cell phone is increasingly important, especially for teens and teens whose personal style is expressed with cell phone accessories and whose communication revolves around email and text messaging. According to Neilson ratings, the average teenager texts 1,742 times per month—that's an average of 58 times per day!



Long Overdue

A library book checked out from a Tulsa, Oklahoma high school in 1947 was returned 61 years later. The book, *New World Analysis: Or, School Etymology of English Derivative Words* was discovered by the woman who had originally checked it out when she was cleaning her home. She sent the book back to the library with a note and a check for \$250 to cover any late charges.



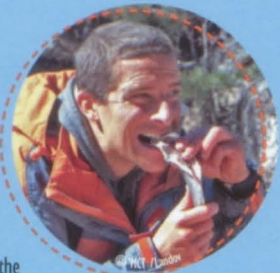
Superhero Fans Rejoice

Forty-five years after it was created by Stan Lee and Jack Kirby, X-Men fans celebrated the 500th issue of the popular comic book. The anniversary was marked with a surprise move: the outcast heroes left their Westchester, New York mansion for San Francisco.



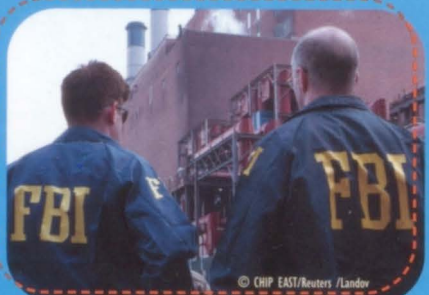
Tough Guys Rule

"Tough Guy TV"—reality shows chronicling the lives of men in life-threatening professions, from king crab fishermen to ice road truckers to adventurers relying on survival skills in the wilderness, is dominating the airwaves. This new genre has audiences riveted with its realism, documentary-style format and unpredictable action. The Discovery Channel's shows *Deadliest Catch* and *Man vs. Wild* are among cable TV's highest-rated unscripted series.



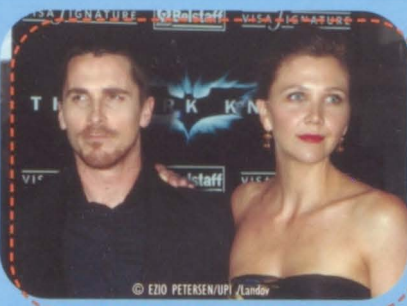
100 Years of FBI

Established in 1908 by the Attorney General, the Federal Bureau of Investigation started with only 34 special agents. Today, the FBI, headquartered in Washington D.C., employs over 30,000 people including more than 1,200 special agents and over 18,000 professional support staff in offices around the world.



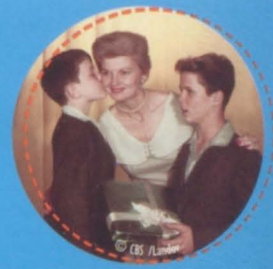
Dark Knight Shines Bright

The Batman sequel *The Dark Knight* earned \$314 million in just 10 days, making it the fastest film to earn \$300 million. The previous record was held by *Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest*, which reached \$300 million in 16 days.



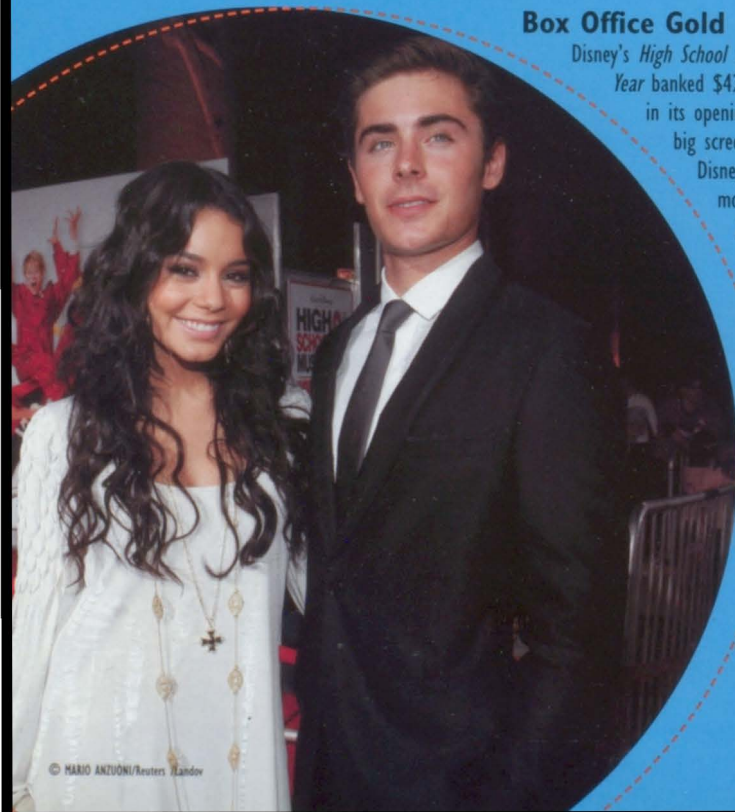
Thank You Mom

Mother's Day turned 100 in 2008. The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that there are 83 million mothers who celebrate Mother's Day. The National Retail Federation estimates that Americans spend \$15 billion a year honoring their mothers; however, the holiday is celebrated in 52 countries around the world.



Box Office Gold

Disney's *High School Musical 3: Senior Year* banked \$42 million in its opening weekend. The big screen sequel to the Disney Channel TV movies, starring Zac Efron and Vanessa Hudgens, beat the previous record for best opening weekend of \$27.8 million set by *Mamma Mia*.



Fabulous Fashion Finale

After a season filled with drama and over-the-top fashion, soft-spoken Portland, Oregon designer Leanne Marshall was named the winner of Bravo's hit reality show *Project Runway* hosted by supermodel Heidi Klum. Marshall beat out contestants Korto Momolu and Kenley Collins to win the \$100,000 grand prize to start her own line and the opportunity to sell her collection on Bluefly.com. The series finale was the first time in the history of the show to feature an all-female lineup.



Tina Fey Impersonates Sarah Palin

Actor and comedian Tina Fey returned to *Saturday Night Live* to portray Republican vice presidential candidate Sarah Palin. In the skit, Fey debated Amy Poehler, who played Senator Hillary Clinton. Fey's depiction of the Alaska governor generated so much attention that the real Sarah Palin appeared twice on the show.



Facebook safeguards

Social networking site Facebook added more than 40 safeguards to protect its users from cyber bullies and online predators. Precautions included banning sex offenders and limiting adult-user access to profiles of users under 18 years old.



Feathers Fly!

The first World Pillow Fight Day brought thousands of people together turning 35 cities into playgrounds. The event's intent was to promote creative uses of public spaces and the power of a shared common goal. Plus, it was a lot of fun!

Lights Out for TRL

MTV's famed countdown show, *Total Request Live (TRL)*, aired its final episode in New York City. The show debuted in 1998 and boosted the careers of superstars like Justin Timberlake, Christina Aguilera and Destiny's Child. Beyoncé gave a show-stopping performance during the show's finale.



Vacation Idol

The new *American Idol* attraction at Disney's Hollywood Studios in Lake Buena Vista, Florida is similar to the Fox singing competition—allowing theme park guests to show off their singing skills by auditioning and performing before a live studio audience.



A Toy for the Imagination

Despite all the fancy high-tech toys available, nature's own stick was inducted into the National Toy Hall of Fame this year. Toy experts selected the stick because of its versatility, natural ingredients, appeal to the imagination and it's free. More traditional inductees this year included the baby doll and skateboard.



Say Papaya

As if ice cream wasn't good enough, scientists are working on a way to make your favorite flavor extra velvety smooth. Using gelatin and papaya protein, a University of Wisconsin researcher developed an "edible antifreeze" that prevents ice crystals from forming in ice cream, so that it stays creamy and smooth with every bite.



Get Smart ... Feed the Hungry

Sixth-graders in Indiana have no shortage of motivation to learn new words. When students play a vocabulary game at FreeRice.com, 20 grains of rice are donated to the World Food Programme for each correct answer. Eight thousand miles away, students at Palwong Elementary in northern Uganda receive a nutritious lunch. The game has generated 28 billion grains of rice ... that's enough food to feed more than 1 million people for one day.



Test Your Gaming Knowledge

- What was the top selling game of 2008?
 - Super Smash Bros.
 - Wii Play with Wii Remote
 - Grand Theft Auto IV
 - Madden NFL 09
- How many characters participate in each Mario Kart race?
 - 9
 - 16
 - 2
 - 12
- Guitar Hero makes several references to what movie?
 - This is Spinal Tap*
 - Edward Scissorhands*
 - The Goonies*
 - Beetlejuice*



Trend Watch

This year's fashions reflected the style of the 80s. From the runway to the real world, here's a look at some of the popular trends.

Patent Leather

handbags, shoes and belts added shine to outfits from coast to coast.



Skinny Jeans

were paired with a variety of footwear. Girls wore them with knee-high boots, flats or platform sandals while guys wore them with tennis shoes or motorcycle boots.

Eco-wear Collections from designers and clothing manufacturers such as Levi's introduced products made from organic cotton and other earth-friendly materials.



Metallics added glamour to accessories, shoes, jeans and dresses.



Technicolor Fashion

had clothes covered—from dresses, tops and leggings to jewelry, shoes and other accessories.



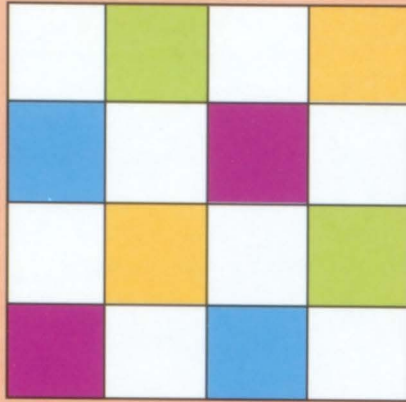
Answers: 1. b 2. d 3. a

Fun & Games

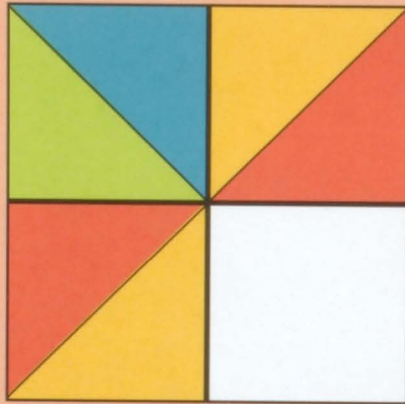
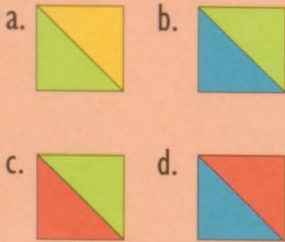
BRAIN TEASERS

1. How many squares can you count?

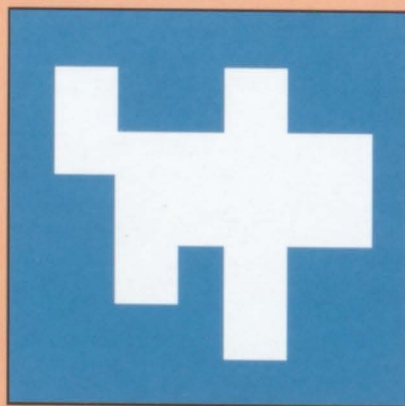
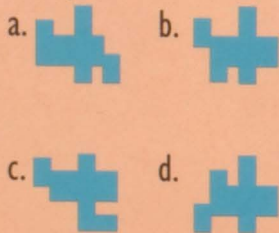
a. 16
b. 20
c. 31
d. 36



2. Which image belongs in the empty square?



3. Which image fills the space?



COMMONYMS

What does each group of words have in common?

Example:

Olympics • Leap Year • Presidential Elections They happen every 4 years

1. Index • Pinky • Ring _____
2. Door • Painting • Eyeglasses _____
3. Picnic • Pool • Coffee _____
4. Ball • Salad • Coin _____
5. Dog • Cat • Gold _____

WORD SCRAMBLE

Unscramble the words below. The answers can be found throughout Zoom. Use the highlighted letters from each word to answer the final scramble below.

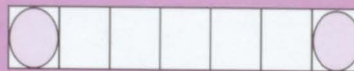
1. MAAKHOOOL

Home to a driving dog



2. IOBGMOO

An item to lighten your carbon footprint



3. JIGBIEN

A golden city for Michael Phelps



4. AACDNI RCKAIPT

First female to win in her profession



5. OERHSMT

A day held in their honor turned 100



He was voted TIME's 2008 Person of the Year



ANSWERS:

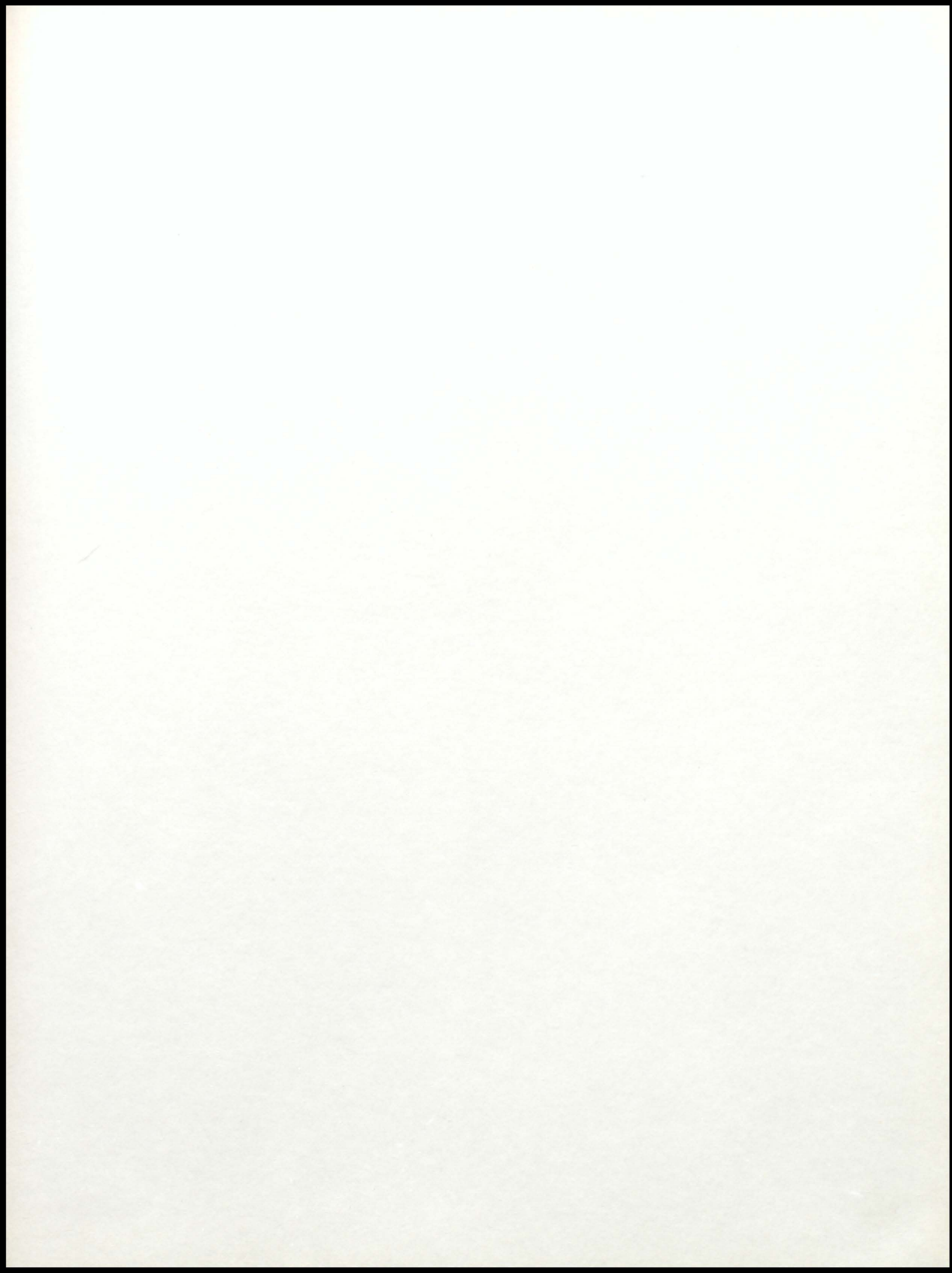
Brain Teasers: 1. c 2. b 3. d

Commonyms: 1. They are fingers 2. All have frames 3. They are tables

4. They can be tossed 5. They are fish

Word Scramble 1. Oklahoma 2. BioMogo 3. Beijing 4. Danica Patrick 5. Mothers

Final: Barack Obama





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