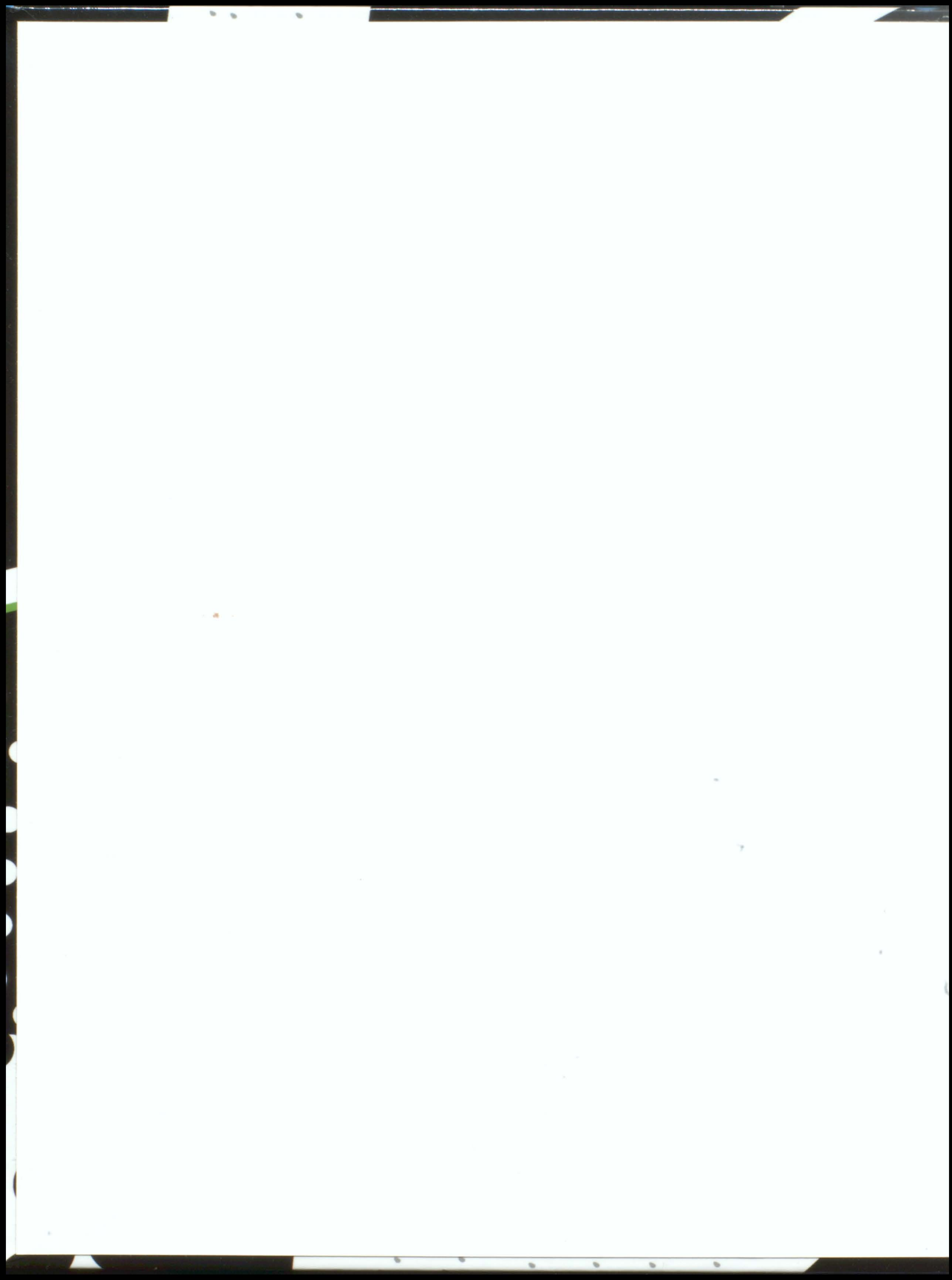


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Television is a large part of many American's day-to-day lives. When needing to be informed or entertained, TV has always been there for us since we were little kids. There are shows now that imitate the wide variety of lifestyles and values that make the world go round. Sometimes, even DWHS is like a TV show with its different diverse groups, organizations and events that take place throughout the year. With every story being a little different, each girl sustains the "leading lady" role of her life, while each guy up holds being the star of his life as well. During high school, days can be as if they were a TV show. On certain days we are living in a comedy, while in other days we're a part of dramas, news, sports, or even music. During the 2009 school year, together we have all made up our own reality show. With special events, dramatic friendships, and miraculous sports victories, these are the days of our lives all captured on Mustang Television.

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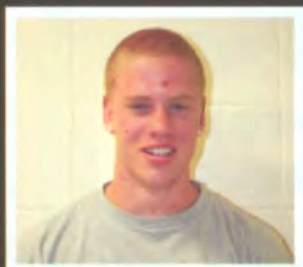
Guys are from Mars

Unspoken Communication

What do girls do with concealer?



"It makes their eyes pop out."
-Aaron Halling, 9th



"They put it on their face at night before going to bed."
-Ben Lock, 11th



"They put it on their eyelids."
-Travis Twombly, 12th

A: Put it on their face to
hide blemishes

While guys communicate, they like to talk with a slang. Whether it's "Hey dude, what's up," or giving each other a "nickname," being proper is not on a guy's high priority list.

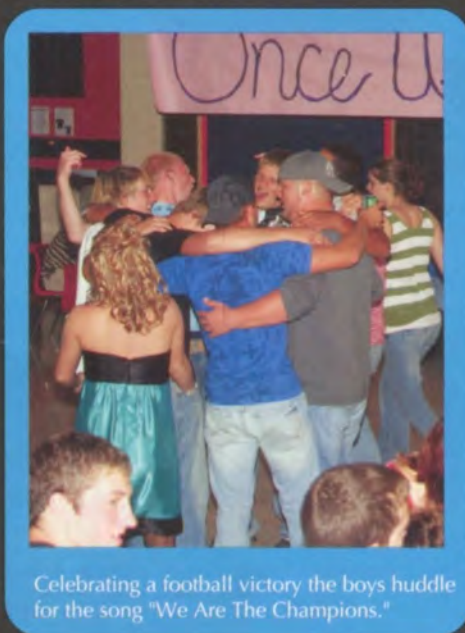
When guys get together they talk about their hobbies as opposed to their feelings. Not wanting to get involved in "drama," guys don't like to share with each other their feelings and emotions.

"Guys like to talk about sports and girls. We don't talk about our feelings or emotions because we don't want to seem too girly," said junior Cameron Twombly.

Communication is one of the biggest problems with relationships. Girls like it when the guy tells them how they're feeling or what they are thinking. When the couples are alone girls do most of the talking. However in large gatherings, the guy does most of the talking.

"Girls talk all the time. When alone my girlfriend does most of the talking, but when in public speaking to people we don't know she tends to get shy. But when we are with people we both know we both talk equally," said sophomore Cody Winchester.

Although communication is sometimes difficult for guys, they are quite smooth in their choice of words when in trouble or when there is an interest in a certain girl.



Celebrating a football victory the boys huddle for the song "We Are The Champions."



Seniors Trevor Saunders and Aaron Harris show their friendship at a school event.



Seniors Dakota Zeit, Travis Twombly and junior Brett Dunlap goof off at fifth quarter after their football game.

Why does it take girls so long to get ready?

- "Girls have to perfect their beauty, and they are very picky." Matthew Henry, 11th
- "They try really hard to make themselves pretty." Tanner Veach, 10th
- "Girls care what they look like more than guys do." Chris Smith, 11th



Girls Next Door

Girls are from Venus

Social Bugs

Speaking almost twice as many words in a day compared to guys, girls really like to communicate. While at school, at home, and even on the phone, girls are always talking.

Most girls find that in order to build a strong relationship with someone, they must be able to carry a conversation and communicate at the same level.

A proven fact is that when girls gossip, it strengthens the bond and relationship between one another. It doesn't necessarily have to be something negative; girls just like to talk about what happened at school or during the weekend.

"It is good to vent about my problems toward someone with a friend," said junior Morgan Helmstetter.

While in a relationship this can become a huge problem; many times couples break up because the guy doesn't like to communicate. Telling a guy almost everything that happens to her, a girl wants and expects the guy to do the same.

Freshman Kendra Lysaght said, "In order for a relationship to work, couples must share their thoughts to know how one another is feeling."



During a fun science activity freshmen Nikki Boos, Autum Royer, sophomore Ravin Walls, and freshman Emma-Leigh Herra huddle for warmth.



Sophomore Ashlie Witham, senior Taylor Twombly, and sophomore Hannah Lackey ride home after the Wathena football game.



Dancing it up during a fast song at prom, a group of girls jam to the music.

Where would you hear the letters MIG and TIG?



"At the zoo."
-Emma-Leigh Herra, 9th



"At a military base."
-Hannah Lackey, 10th



"In an FBI place."
-Scarlett Davis, 12th

In a welding shop or welding class

What grade do most guys have their first kiss?

- "I think that it would be in the 6th grade." Lorie Peuker
- "Most guys I talk to have their first kiss in the 6th or 7th grade." Miranda Godfrey
- "I would have to guess the 5th grade." Shayln Fritch



Days of our Lives

Most high school students would probably say that most of their time is spent in school or being a part of a school organization. Some might even say they practically live at school. But what about weekends, holidays, and times after school when students aren't busy with something school related? Everyone has other things that they like to do on their agenda besides returning to Doniphan West High School day after day.

Seniors Zach Lee, Spencer Autem, Cody Weiland, and Aaron Harris like to go to Buffalo Wild Wings in St. Joseph, Mo. late in the evening after home or nearby basketball games.

"Every now and then, instead of going out, I like to have a few friends over to play the Wii that I got for Christmas," said senior Alesha Miller. "Everyone seems to enjoy it, especially when my mom makes food."

Other students have hobbies that they partake in as well. Some students like to do arts and crafts while others like to fish or ride four wheelers.

"I like to make snow angels in the winter. I think they're pretty and they're the most fun thing to make," said junior Lindsay Libel describing what she likes to do during the winter months.

There are also many Mustang students who take delight in music. Brandon Smith finds that playing rock music on his guitar is appealing while Marijke Fox takes an interest in singing.

Everyone has different things that they consider to be fun to do in their free time, but whether they are in school or out of school, the things they do are molding them into who they will one day become.

Taylor Carwell, junior, pays a visit to Hair Fanatics in Highland to get her hair done by Megan Jeschke.



Senior Danielle Rush blows out the candles on her cake as a part of celebrating her 18th birthday.



During a shopping outing, Maggie Gilmore poses with a pretty gown.



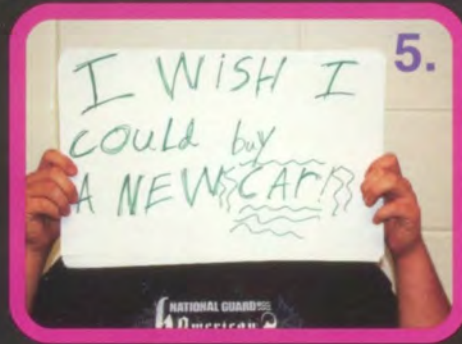
Bottom Center: Senior Aaron Harris uses his vocal talent during a game of Rock Band at Spencer Autem's house.



Bottom Right: Junior Brennan Davis plows his 4x4 through the cold wintry snow.



Think you know your classmates? Try to guess and see which person goes with which sign. Have fun! It's harder than it looks!



Brittany Rauch



Jacob Collins



Haley Tilton



Cassie Wilcox



Zach Baker



Kyle Alfrey



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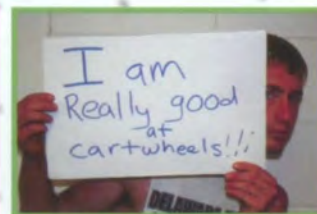
1. Kyle Alfrey 2. Zach Baker 3. Cassie Wilcox
4. Hailey Tilton 5. Jake Collins 6. Brittany Rauch



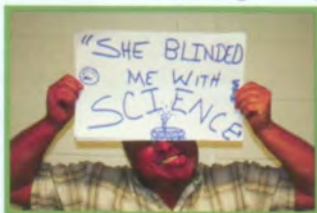
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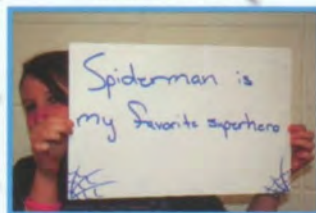
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Front: Taylor Twombly, Malia Sisk, Jackie Lysaght, Shayln Fritch, Kayla Schmitz, Savannah Stevens, Maggie Gilmore, Hannah Lackey, Bethani Zeit, Alesha Miller, Lisa Scholz, Ashley Wilham, Taylor Carwell, Jessica Rauch, Brennan Davis, Bethani Zeit.

While on assignment to learn to use the camera, Jackie Lysaght, Lisa Scholz, Alesha Miller, and Kayla Schmitz pose for the photographer.

I'm From Rolling Stone



Journalism You Think It We Ink It

Making the yearbook, putting together the newspaper and participating in the KSPA journalism contest are just part of what the class does throughout the year.

Alesha Miller, Taylor Twombly, Malia Sisk, Taylor Carwell, and Kayla Schmitz all took work to the state journalism contest. Kayla Schmitz placed third in news writing, Alesha Miller got honorable mention headline writing, and Taylor Twombly got honorable mention yearbook layout.



Taking a tour of Jostens with tourguide Lars, the class looks at different textures to apply to a yearbook cover.



On the return home from Jostens, Jessica Rauch, Cheyenne Davis, Maggie Gilmore, and Savannah Stevens place an order at Sonic.



Jackie Lysaght, Bethani Zeit, Morgan Rush, Kayla Schmitz, and Alesha Miller hike up the lockers to help someone practice different photography angles.

Privileged National Honor Society

Senior Todd Neibling inducts junior Geoffrey Hargis during the induction ceremony.



First row: Morgan Rush, Maggie Gilmore, Bethani Zeit, Katie French, Katylin Blevins, Chelsea Diveley. Second: Alesha Miller, Shayln Fritch, Marijke Fox, Danielle Rush, Malia Sisk, Taylor Twombly, Aaron Harris. Third: Brianna Cluck, Amanda Cauthon, Cameron Twombly, Cheyenne Davis, Kayla Schmitz, Lisa Scholz, Ryan Kuhnert, Spencer Diveley. Fourth: Cody Weiland, Savannah Stevens, Todd Neibling, Paul Becker, Jackie Lysaght, Dakota Zeit, Brennan Davis, Geoffrey Hargis, Trevor Saunders.



Senior Spencer Diveley displays a packaged box for the "Operation Christmas Child" project.

NUMBERS

Math

When will we use math in the real world?

Math is a part of everyday life for most working people--it isn't just for those heading off to college.

For instance any person working in construction must have a basic knowledge of trigonometry.

Freshman Nikki Boos said, "Every day was different and I always learned something new."

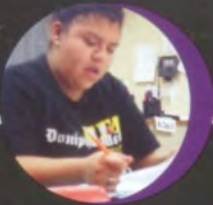
Complicated problems that involve multiple step formulas won't necessarily be used beyond the classroom, but they teach people to use different parts of the brain for problem solving.

Although adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing can be simple math, those skills are used in everyday life.

This year the math classes were taught by Rhonda Cluck and Carl Svendson.



Freshman Nikki Boos, and juniors Ben Lock, Cameron Twombly, and P.D. Simmons work on math homework in Rhonda Cluck's Classroom



Playing Math-o (math bingo).
-Narda Cahue, 9



Playing math ball to review for tests.
-Cody Weiland, 12



My favorite part was playing "apples to apples."
-Matthew Henry, 11

What was your favorite Math activity?

Beauty and the Geek Computers



Senior Aaron Harris helps junior Lindsay Libel design her web page.



The Computer Apps. II class is hard at work making a game using Powerpoint.

Teacher Vicki Winchester helps junior Kyle Cluck create a web page during Web Design.





While waiting to begin a basketball activity, a freshmen P.E. class listens to teacher Adam Hooker's directions.

Brittany Rauch guards classmate Dylan Wood during a fun game of recreational basketball.



Survivor

Physical Ed

Not as 'easy' as some believe

In the movie called the "School of Rock," it is said that "those who can't do, teach. And those who can't teach, teach gym." P.E. teacher, Adam Hooker, believes that this statement is false.

"In order to graduate with a physical education degree, you not only have to satisfy the extensive teacher education program, but you also have to go through a great deal of training in anatomy, physiology, and kinesiology," said Hooker. "Then you add to it the challenges of managing 20-plus teenagers of different genders, interests, and skill levels all in a large space of a gymnasium or practice field. It's far more difficult than people realize."

Volleyball and soccer were the two games that people were more likely to be involved in during P.E. class periods, although Hooker brought new activities such as Capture the Shuttlecock, Football 21, and different variations of dodgeball.



Freshmen Jacob Lee and Nick Schneider take on Adam Hooker in a game of hoops.



Travis Twombly hikes up his shorts to create a distraction in order to throw off the opposing team during a volleyball match.



Taylor Twombly leaps in the air, ready to pass the volleyball back over the net.

Cheers Pep Club

Lindsay Libel raises her arms high and cheers as loud as she can for the football team.



First row: Katrina Miller, Bethani Zeit, Michelle Johnson, Hannah Lackey, Ashlie Witham, Katlyn Blevins, Rachel Rush, Courtney Langley, Morgan Helmstetter. Second: Danielle Rush, Maggie Gilmore, Marijke Fox, Alesha Miller, Katherine Rush, Mollie Tharp, Anna Caudle, Shayln Fritch. Third: Kayla Schmitz, Amanda Pickman, Taylor Twombly, Emily French, Jackie Lysaght, Malia Sisk, Stephanie Scales, Savannah Stevens, Cheyenne Davis.



Taryn Gibson and Amanda Pickman enjoy themselves at the Maur Hill football game while cheering on the Mustangs.

Law and Order

Matthew Henry and Jessica Rauch test their skill by playing a game of cards during their downtime in American History.



Social Studies Important to latest generation

Where would we be without history? Some would say, "stuck in the past." The social studies courses taught help to create smart, well-rounded students.

We do not only learn about the past of our nation and of our world, but we gain knowledge of the current events happening in our world and in the United States.

This year's Current Issues class contained a large number of people who read newspapers in almost every class period.

"It kept me up-to-date on the news and what's happening in our surroundings," said senior Dakota Zeit.

Government, American History, and Current Issues were taught by Ron Shelton, and Donna Parish taught World History.



My favorite game is dodgeball because I enjoy throwing the balls at people.
-Terri Simmons, 9



Mat Ball, because you get to run a lot and it's fun.
-Nick Johnson, 10



Volleyball, because I like it a lot and think it is fun.
-Kendra Lysaght, 9

What was your favorite thing about PE this year?

The Unit Link Leaders



On freshmen orientation day, Trevor Saunders, Alesha Miller and their group of freshmen join together in dressing up as professional surgeons.



Link Leaders Bethani Zeit, Kayla Schmitz, Taylor Twombly, Paul Becker, Trevor Saunders, Alesha Miller, Malia Sisk, and Katie French. Not pictured: Lindsay Libel.

Bethani Zeit presents the school's sports and clubs to the freshmen as a part of the freshmen orientation day at the high school.





Taking a closer look at the importance of dissecting frogs, junior Brett Dunlap cautiously watches science teacher Kertis Keehn as he shows him the different parts of the frog's body.

Not bothered by the gruesome dissection of frogs, juniors Brianna Cluck and Marijke Fox give a thumbs up to the surgical operation.



The Big Bang Theory

Science Blood & Guts part of Anatomy

With a pair of white gloves, goggles, and a dissecting utensil, one is ready to perform any surgical operation. For the Anatomy class surgery came into play when digging in and dissecting frogs. Many Anatomy students thought the task was just a measly operation, while others took the operation a little differently. The enjoyment of getting down to the grimy surgery amused some students.

"I loved it. It was really interesting learning about the different parts of the body, and seeing the look on Lindsay Libel's 'about to puke face' was unforgettable," said junior Marijke Fox.

On the other hand, many students felt a brief hint of nausea during the process of dissection. "I thought it was gross because I don't do well with dissection, blood, and guts so it made my stomach upset," said junior Lindsay Libel.

Whether making it through the scrutinizing of these frogs was an enjoyable task or an unforgettable nightmare, the Anatomy class made it through their severe surgical operation of one slimy green frog.



Digging in, senior Danielle Rush slowly lifts the bloody guts of a dead animal to examine during Anatomy class.

Boston Legal STUCO

Giving back and helping out, STUCO members senior Trevor Saunders and junior Maggie Gilmore collect the canned goods for the Doniphan County food pantry.



Student Council: First row: Courtney Langley, Maggie Gilmore (secretary), Trevor Saunders (president), Michelle Johnson. Second: Keshana Cook, Katie French, Taylor Twombly (vice president), Ashlie Witham, Mollie Tharp. Third: Emily French, Keaton Blevins (treasurer), Malia Sisk, Amanda Pickman. Not pictured: advisor Elmer Schmitz, Jackie Lysaght.



Fighting for the catch, juniors Brett Dunlap and Ben Lock anticipate the ball during a game of flag football. The game was organized by the STUCO members during advisory.

Family Matters



Slicing up some fine cuts of meat, seniors Todd Neibling and Spencer Diveley get their hands a little messy while preparing to cook during Foods class.

FACS

The Baby Borrowers



Sophomore Sharona Shiflet cuddles up to her fake baby. Shiflet had to carry around the fake baby for an assignment in Parenting class. "I thought that taking the fake baby home was a good learning experience and that everyone should have to take a parenting class," Shiflet said.



"My favorite food creation was making the dinner rolls."
-Jessica Gartner, 11



"I liked making the vanilla creme pie."
-Jessica Hutchinson, 11



"My favorite food creation was making the omelets."
-Kelly Ward, 11

What was your favorite food creation?

My Wife and Kids FCCLA



Taking his sweet time, sophomore Marshall Diveley focuses on pouring a substance during an experiment in Chemistry class.



FCCLA: first row: Advisor June Roberts, Stephanie Scales, Sharona Shiflet. Second: Amber Folsom, Mackenzie Cunningham. Third: Lorie Peuker, Landon Allen (president), Emily French (secretary). Not pictured: Jessica Gartner (treasurer), Lindsay Libel (vice president), Brittany Keever.

Getting ready to explore an experiment, freshman Dylan Wood closely examines the eye of a sheep during General Science class.





Senior Scarlett Davis applies makeup to junior Taylor Carwell during her presentation about makeup artistry.

Senior Brandon Smith rocks his senior project presentation over Death Metal.



High School Stories

Senior Project graduation requirement challenges seniors

In an intense year for the seniors they compiled the knowledge of researched topics to present in a written essay and a speech. The result of their hard work was presented before three judges who would decide, based on the presentation, if he or she would pass the Senior Project course, a graduation requirement. The topics ranged from special effects make-up to surviving the wilderness of Doniphan County.

Taylor Twombly's topic was about the difference between a nurse practitioner and a physician's assistant. "Even though senior project was challenging," said Twombly, "it taught me to have better time management and figure out what I wanted to do with my future."

This year, each senior gained knowledge of a topic that they did not know about before taking Senior Project.



Demonstrating on junior Courtney Langley, senior Ryan Kuhnert shows what he learned about chiropractic care.

Anna Caudle speaks to high school girls about tanning safety for her Demonstration of Knowledge.



Ready to give her speech, senior Morgan Rush prepares to explain her display about abortion.

Total Drama Island FORENSICS

For their IDA act, juniors Savannah Stevens and Lindsay Libel act out a scene where Savannah has just been bitten by a snake after trying to pick an apple from a tree.



Forensics group: Terri Simmons, Taylor Carwell, Savannah Stevens, Scarlett Davis, Keshana Cook. Not pictured Lindsay Libel.

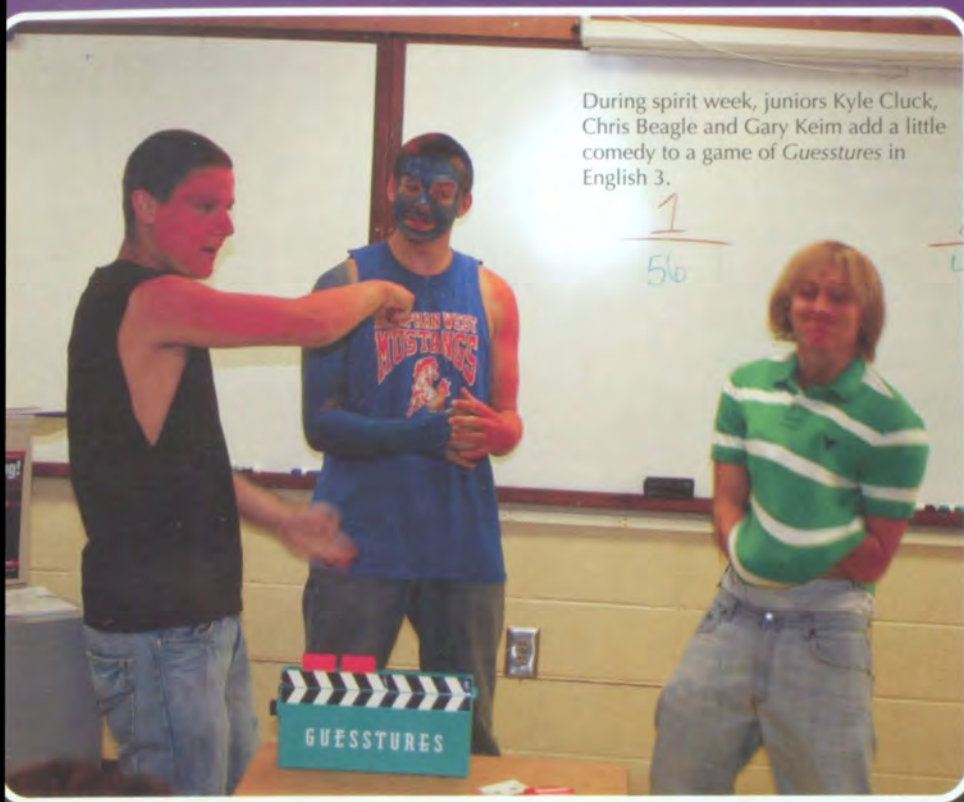


Recreating their IDA act, junior Taylor Carwell portrays a senator who is unphased by senior Scarlett Davis, a little girl who is showing her rendition of what cavities do to a person's mouth.

The VIEW

ENGLISH

During spirit week, juniors Kyle Cluck, Chris Beagle and Gary Keim add a little comedy to a game of *Guesstures* in English 3.



Throughout the school year, students have learned many skills from combining sentences to understanding British literature.

For most of the first three quarters, the junior class prepared for the Kansas Reading and Writing Assessments.

One incentive given to all students taking the Kansas assessments this year was to earn a week out of advisory if they made Standard or above. The offer seemed to have a positive effect, and a majority of the students did well.

English 3 classes ended the year by studying the novel "To Kill a Mockingbird." They also learned how to give persuasive speeches.

Teacher Marla Taylor said the novel study was one of her favorite activities. "Even though 'To Kill a Mockingbird' was written in the 1960s, it has lessons that still ring true today. I think most of the students enjoyed reading it, and I wouldn't be surprised if some now said it was among their favorite reads."



"I liked the 'To Kill a Mockingbird' projects because we were able to express ourselves."
-Jessica Gartner, 11



"I really enjoyed reading the 'Canterbury Tales'."
-Hannah Lackey, 10



"My favorite project was the Romeo and Juliet diary."
-Terri Simmons, 9

What was your favorite English project?

Are You Smarter Than a Fifth Grader?

SCHOLARS BOWL



At 7 a.m. in the library, the scholars bowl team prepares for their upcoming meets by answering practice questions.



First row: Terri Simmons, Jessica Rauch, Keshana Cook, Amanda Cauthon. Second: Josh Van Laar, Savannah Stevens, Kayla Schmitz, Aaron Halling, Katie French. Third: Coach Brenda Diveley, Marshall Diveley, Matthew Henry, Nick Johnson.

"Even though getting up early was tough, I enjoyed spending time with my friends at practice," junior Jessica Rauch said.



Members of pep band Marshall Diveley, Steven Simmons, Kyle Cluck, and Chris Beagle show off their drum playing skills for a pep rally.



Dudes and Dolls; first: Lisa Scholz, Terri Simmons, Ashlie Witham, Jessica Peuker. Second: Keshana Cook, Matthew Henry, Ryan Kuhnert, Veronica Dickson. Third: Aaron Halling, Scarlett Davis, Shayln Fritch, Brittany Rauch, Marijke Fox, Caleb Lackey.

Band

Making The Band

"We had a 'freakishly amazing' time playing at home games," said junior Matthew Henry.



Marching their way to Main Street for the Homecoming Parade are Matthew Henry, Chris Beagle, and Aaron Halling.



Swing Choir

Can You Duet?



Scarlett Davis, Keshana Cook, Ryan Kuhnert, Marijke Fox, and Jessica Peuker become puppets for the Vault Disney tour.



The Dudes and Dolls perform the "Beauty and the Beast" song in front of their home audience.

The Real World Foreign Languages

In a vocabulary lesson about Spanish clothing, Ryan Kuhnert models a sombrero and colorful sweater.



Spanish students Katie Crandall, Valerie Neibling, Gary Koelliker, and Ashley Courtin get creative by dressing up to help other students practice naming articles of clothing.



Juniors Amber Folsom, Taylor Carwell, and Maggie Gilmore prepare Japanese food during their IDL Japanese class. In the upper left on the TV monitor is their teacher. "I like the idea of learning another language that isn't very common," said Carwell.

America's Got Talent

Diligently working, Paul Becker, senior, paints his ceramic faberge egg during Art 2.



ART

Products of student creativity

Joining the teaching staff was well liked Art teacher and newly acclaimed play director Stanley Thornton.

Thornton (T-Dog as his students like to call him) fit in nicely. For the first time he directed two plays, "Frump Tales" and "Murder in the House of Horrors."

"He is a very fun and laid back teacher. I enjoy having his class," junior Dyllon Butrick said.

Sophomore Taryn Gibson said she enjoyed having Thornton as a teacher. "I liked his sense of humor and sarcasm."

Gibson said she liked working with clay projects the most and plans to take more Art classes in the future.



I liked working with clay.
-Taylor Martin, 10



Cardboard castles!
Bandon Smith, 12



Going to DVL Art Contest in Wathena
-Jessica Rauch, 11

What was your favorite art project this year?

Taking the Stage Art & Drama Club



Popping up as a scary Jack-in-the-Box during the haunted house is sophomore Emily French.



Getting ready for opening night of the haunted house in Sparks, members of the Art and Drama Club are made up and ready to scare.

Preparing for the HCC Art Day, senior Scarlett Davis gives junior Taylor Carwell a makeover so she can compete with the other "zombies" at the contest.



Green Acres FFA



FFA officers Brianna Cluck, Paul Becker, Kayla Schmitz, Courtney Langley, and Lindsay Libel stand in front of the U.S. Capital Building during the Washington Leadership Conference in W.D.C. They spent most of the week attending leadership building sessions.



Junior Brennan Davis serves food to assistant principal Chris Lackey during the FFA tailgate at a football game. This was one of the FFA's major fundraisers of the year.



Nick Johnson, sophomore, becomes the catch of the day when he gets his head caught in the alligator's mouth at Joe's Crab Shack during the National FFA Convention trip. It has been an annual tradition to eat at the restaurant. The group also had their first taste of calamari (squid) at the Shack to which Johnson responded, "You know, if you put something in front of me and didn't tell me what it was, I'd probably eat it."

Dirty Jobs



Ethan Larson and Chris Smith get ready to pour concrete for a driveway at the new community building in Highland. Both Ag Mechanics classes helped out by doing everything from laying bricks to putting up drywall.

A Little Dirt Won't Hurt...

This age-old saying seems to be the motto out in the agricultural education building day in and day out. Whether students are watering plants in Horticulture or tearing up motors in Ag Mechanics, there's sure to be some dirt, grease, and grime.

The taxidermy unit in Natural Resources conjures up some gruesome memories. Students were given the dirty job of skinning the animals. The students used scalpels to separate the stretchy, hairy skin from the cold, bloody body. For those students who had a deer as a project, they had to watch as the antlers were chopped off and the brains plopped out.

And after one is dirty how does one clean up? Two words: cherry bomb. This is the soap to end all soaps. The gritty soap blasts away dirt and grease and has an *interesting* cherry odor. It is as much a part of the ag department as the dirt that it obliterates.

Sophomore Katie Crandall makes meat look pretty during the pig slaughter in Animal Science class. The class went to ag teacher Elmer Schmitz's house to learn the ins and outs of pig processing.





Paul Becker, senior, gets his head in the game as he throws a hula hoop to his partner during one of the Barnwarming activities. Candidates also took part in hay bale throwing and a greased pig contest. Becker won beau and Lindsay Libel, junior, won sweetheart.

Aaron Halling and Caleb Lackey, forks in hand, are ready to eat some seafood at Joe's Crab Shack during National Convention.



Brittany Schneider, senior, identifies a plant for the Nursery and Landscape contest at Fall SuperDay at Holton. During the entire school year FFA members take part in many contests.



At Barnwarming Ashley Courtin, sophomore, gets a pie in the face but laughs it off. Each candidate had the same lucky experience.

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Left: Aaron Herrs shows his enthusiasm as he holds up his deer skin during taxidermy in the Natural Resources class. Other projects that students completed were a bobcat and a pheasant.

Far Left: Juniors Mollie Tharp and Courtney Langley transplant plants during Horticulture class. Every year the greenhouse is blooming with flowers and plants galore.

What's the dirtiest task you've ever had to do?



"Mud wrestling while looking for earth-worms."
Emma-Leigh Herrs, 9



"Clean a house where 21 & 23 year old (boys) live!"
Miranda Godfrey, 11



"Clean up poop at the nursing home after old people."
Lindsay Libel, 11



"Clean sewage out of a septic tank."
Joey Scholz, 11

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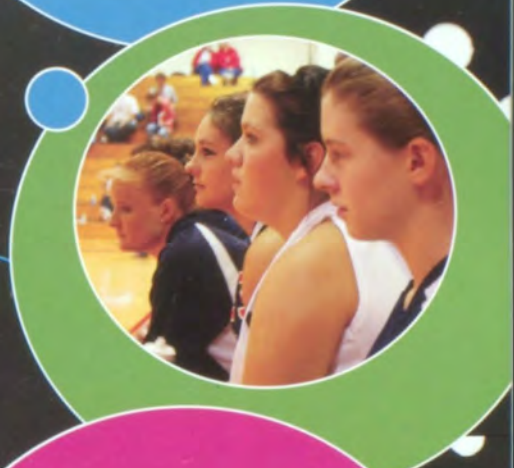
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The HILLS

Eight new runners, a new coach, and a whole new year was something that the cross country team faced. After four years as the cross country coach, Angie Eberly decided to stay at home to take care of her new son. Stepping into her place was coach Judy Twombly.

"I've ran some marathons," said Twombly, "so I was already interested in running, and I love having the opportunity to be around the kids."

There were just two seniors leading the young group through the year, but Katylin Blevins and Chelsea Diveley got the job done.

"The thing that I'm going to miss most next year is hanging out with my friends, giving advice to the underclassmen, and just having fun," said Blevins.

Overall, the season went well, "We have a lot of potential," said Twombly, "and I really look forward to next year."



Junior Korey Martin pushes himself up one of the many hills at the Troy race.

SCORE REPORT

Meet	Girls	Boys
ACCHS	5th	T.D 16th
McLouth	7th	9th
Troy	3rd	3rd
Horton	9th	9th
Sabetha	6th	5th
DVL Shawnee Mission	M.G 5th	T.D 13th
Jackson Heights	4th	4th
Regionals	V.N 16th	T.D 13th



First row: Chelsea Diveley, Katylin Blevins. Second row: Josh Van Laar, Valerie Neibling, Mackenzie Cunningham, Veronica Dickson, Maggie Gilmore, Hannah Lackey, Courtney Langley, Nick Johnson. Third row: manager Sharona Shiflet, Caleb Lackey, Brady Adams, Geoffrey Hargis, Korey Martin, Tyler Diveley, manager Jessica Gartner, head coach Judy Twombly.

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Honors: All League- Maggie Gilmore

My Moments



"I got a medal when it was raining crazy bad and super cold and coach made me take off my sweats."
sophomore
Mackenzie Cunningham

What was your most memorable time during the season?



"When we stopped to eat after a meet and when Josh and I had our "what" fights."
junior Geoffrey Hargis



"After we ran five miles for practice, we sat down to rest and found out we sat on purple berries."
junior Maggie Gilmore



"When I'm running, all I can think about is getting back on the bus."
Josh VanLaar
sophomore



Enjoying his afternoon run, sophomore Nick Johnson runs along at the DVL Meet at Shawnee Mission. "Usually I'm thinking about how much I have left to run, that I should probably pass the person in front of me, and where my teammates are and how close I am from them," Johnson said.

The girls' team begins the sprint for good position at the beginning of the Troy meet.



Celebrating their final year together senior Chelsea Diveley gives fellow senior Katylin Blevins a piggy-back ride.

Never leaving each other's side, juniors Courtney Langley and Morgan Helmstetter run together at the McLouth meet. "When we ran together we would tell sweet jokes like, 'Where does a general put his armies? In his sleeves!'" said Langley.

Friday Night

Lights

With a 4-1 record for the first half of the schedule, some would say the season went well, but could have been better. The biggest challenge was "probably the low number of guys out for football," said head coach Mark Martin.

"The guys that came out did a good job, but it sure helps the team improve more when you have experienced guys to practice against and the younger guys can get playing time in the JV games," said Martin.

Some strengths the team showed were the decent sized offensive line and experienced players, claimed Martin.

Some negative things this season were not being able to have a JV schedule and a need for better practice habits, Martin said.

"Overall we took steps forward. With one exception I felt we competed hard all year long. The most memorable part of the season for me is the time I get to spend with the players and coaches on and off the field," said Martin.



Senior Travis Twombly and junior Brett Dunlap join forces to take down the Oskaloosa ball carrier.

SCORE REPORT

OPPONENT	SCORE	
Maur Hill	28-21	W
JCN	39-0	W
P. Ridge	0-35	L
Horton	22-7	W
McLouth	52-10	W
Oskaloosa	13-22	L
Wathena	0-19	L
Troy	28-45	L
Centralia	12-42	L



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First row: Mgr. Amanda Cauthon, Ehren Nuzum, Bijon Duran, Zach Lee, Ryan Kuhnert, Paul Becker, Aaron Harris, Travis Twombly, Dakota Zeit. Second row: Mgr. Katie French, Mason Rush, Jacob Lee, Dusty Saunders, Chris Smith, Keaton Blevins, Tanner Veach, Michael Hurd, Aaron Halling, Chris Peuker. Third row: head coach Mark Martin, assistant Ben Gilmore, Kyle Alfrey, PD Simmons, Brett Dunlap, Adrian Duran, Austin Veach, Ben Petrik, assistant Rob Randall, assistant Adam Hooker.



Honors: All League: Aaron Harris, Zach Lee, Travis Twombly, Dakota Zeit, Brett Dunlap, and Paul Becker. All State: Dakota Zeit and Travis Twombly.

My Moments



"Running up and down the field was fun, but the running part got me tired."
senior Dakota Zeit

What was your most memorable time during the season?



"Beating McLouth."
senior Ehren Nuzum



"It would probably be when we beat Maur Hill because I really wanted to beat them and it was a great way to start off the season. We all felt pretty good that night."
senior Aaron Harris



"I think about what I need to do on every play and concentrate on not dropping the ball."
-sophomore Keaton Blevins



On a kickoff return Zach Lee (#11) fakes to PD Simmons (#3) before charging upfield.

Anticipating the results of the coin toss, the football players wait anxiously. During this time, "I don't think, I just turn into a mode and then just let my body control me," freshman Aaron Halling said.



Quarterback Travis Twombly calls out the play and the line gets set to execute the offense.

Sophomore Keaton Blevins (#10) blocks #80 for Centralia during the last game of the season.

VIVA LA



The libero digs the ball, sending it to the setter. A hitter calls out for the ball as the setter pushes the ball high into the air, creating a perfect kill. This season's group of volleyball players believe that teamwork was the key to achieving victories.

"Team work is always a factor in every sport and it made us closer as a team this year," said senior Bethani Zeit.

Although the girls ended their season with a record of 12-20, they still played as a team and had fun together.

"I liked the silly rituals we did before each game," said junior Malia Sisk. "If we were down after a match, they always got us back up."

Other participants enjoyed having their parents and classmates at the games to cheer them on and to encourage them to keep on playing hard. Team work and having fun made the season a pleasant and personal success for the volleyball players' season.



Senior Jackie Lysaght makes a kill while teammates, junior Amanda Pickman and senior Bethani Zeit, anticipate a block during a match versus Wathena.

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SCORE REPORT

OPPONENT	SCORE	W
Troy	25-10, 25-4	W
Pleasant Ridge	13-25, 16-25	L
Nemaha Valley	10-25, 9-25	L
Troy	25-8, 25-23	W
KCC	21-25, 25-20, 24-26	L
Jackson Heights	22-25, 23-25	L
Oskaloosa	9-25, 13-25	L
Wathena	25-16, 25-23	W
Wathena	25-16, 25-18	W
Elwood	25-23, 22-25, 25-9	W
Baileyville	20-25, 12-25	L
Elwood	25-17, 25-20	W
MHMA	25-23, 25-14	W
Atchison	22-25, 15-25	L
Valley Falls	14-25, 25-20, 11-25	L
JCN	20-25, 15-25	L
Wathena	25-16, 25-13	W
Immaculata	28-30, 25-21, 13-25	L
McLouth	25-16, 12-25, 12-25	L
KCC	25-17, 20-25, 22-25	L
Atchison	19-25, 25-17, 25-19	W
MHMA	24-26, 26-24, 20-25	L
Pleasant Ridge	23-25, 20-25	L
Hiawatha	18-25, 25-23, 19-25	L
Horton	14-25, 25-19, 25-13	W
Jackson Heights	25-21, 11-25, 9-25	L
Immaculata	25-12, 25-22	W
Wathena	25-18, 25-16	W
McLouth	21-25, 25-23, 13-25	L
Valley Falls	13-25, 21-25	L
JCN	20-25, 20-25	L
Jackson Heights	18-25, 27-25, 13-25	L



First row: mgr. Marshall Diveley, Morgan Rush, Amanda Cauthon, Lindsay Libel, Mariah Cunningham, Taylor Martin, Katie Crandall, and mgr. Taylor Carwell. Second row: Ashlie Witham, Bethani Zeit, Kristy Denton, Elisa Neibling, Nikki Boos, Kendra Lysaght, Mollie Tharp, Rachel Rush, and Michelle Johnson. Third row: Coach Crystal Hooker, coach Susanne Drimmel, head coach Marla Olson, Lisa Scholz, Jackie Lysaght, Taryn Gibson, Emma-Leigh Herra, Paige Ellis, and Katrina Miller. Fourth row: Katherine Rush, Malia Sisk, Alesha Miller, Amanda Pickman, Taylor Twombly, Stephanie Scales, Jessica Pickman, Brianna Cluck, and Marijke Fox.

Honors: Taylor Twombly- DVL unanimous selection and Hiawatha All Tournament Team



My Moments



Going crazy with Katie Crandall.
sophomore Taylor Martin

What's your pre-game ritual?



Listening to music.
senior Amanda Cauthon



Lindsay Libel and I jumped up and bumped chests.
junior Kristy Denton



"When I play volleyball sometimes I think of coach Olson telling us the Indiana Jones joke."
-junior Marijke Fox



Senior Alesha Miller passes the ball to the setter during the home game against Elwood. "I love playing volleyball," said Miller. "I feel pretty good every time I get a good dig."

Jackie Lysaght, Taylor Twombly, Alesha Miller, Bethani Zeit, Amanda Cauthon, and Morgan Rush do a senior pose before ending their last season.



Up in the air, senior Taylor Twombly makes a back row attack to score against the opposing team.

After scoring, Taylor Twombly, Marijke Fox, Lisa Scholz, Bethani Zeit, and Jackie Lysaght take a minute to celebrate during a match against Wathena.

Entertainment

TONIGHT

"Rah, rah, rah!" "We've got spirit yes we do, we've got spirit, how bout' you?!" "U-G-L-Y you ain't got no alibi!" There are many different ways to pump up a crowd. Some are a little nicer than others. However, the Spirit Squad did an amazing job! They were always peppy, and never "debbie downers," pep rallies were always a memorable event.

"Getting everyone together and showing school spirit is the whole point of pep rallies, and I think our school is great at doing that!" said junior Kelly Ward.

One of the most memorable pep rallies was when senior Travis Twombly and junior Lindsay Libel reenacted the classic *Saturday Night Live* skit. While shaking what their mama's gave them, Twombly and Libel did a well-rehearsed dance full of interesting moves and tons of spirit to the famous M.C. Hammer song "Can't touch this."

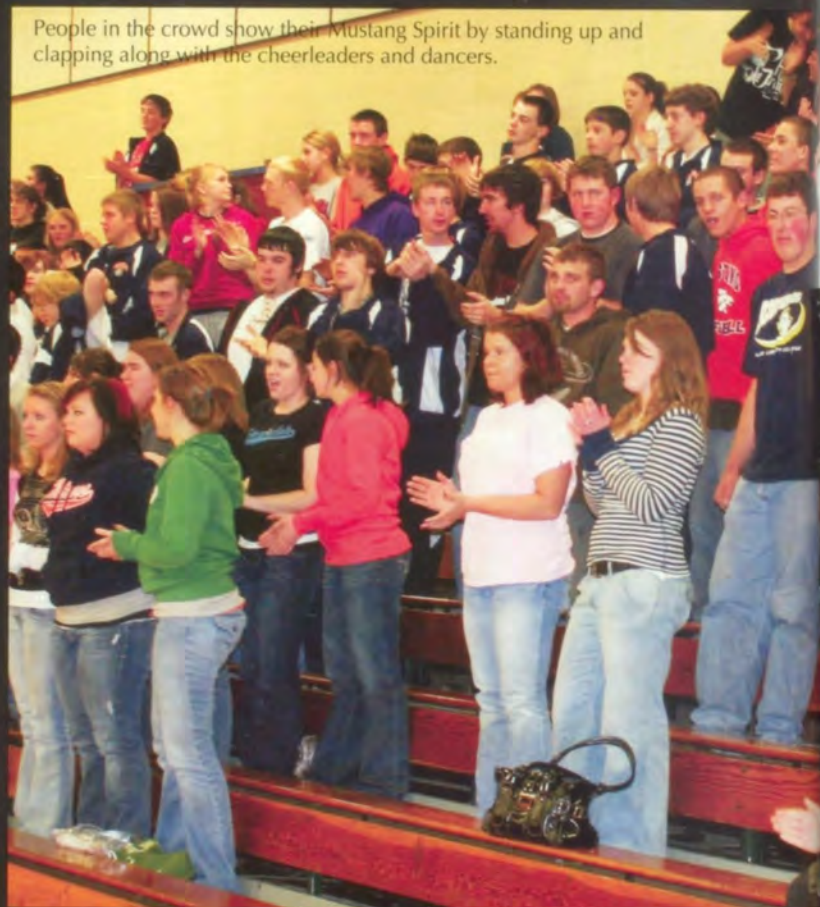
"Definitely couldn't touch Travis and Lindsay that day! They were on fire!" said junior Kayla Schmitz.



With a little help from a few dancers, the boys' basketball team puts on a show for the crowd while dancing to "Cupid Shuffle" during the Late Night with the Mustangs.



Senior Ehren Nuzem relishes the moment as he delivers a taste of pie to coach Adam Hooker at Late Night.



People in the crowd show their Mustang Spirit by standing up and clapping along with the cheerleaders and dancers.

My Moments



"I liked getting out of advisory and watching everyone do funny things." sophomore Tanner Veach.

What was the best memory you've had at a pep rally?



"I liked getting to watch my classmates look dumb. My favorite was when Bijon was freaking out about the eggs that were not really there." sophomore Cody Winchester



"My favorite pep rally was probably when Travis and Lindsay did that dance. Travis looked like Joe Dirt!" junior Brett Dunlap



Hearing their class Homecoming float was the winner, juniors including Mariah Cunningham, Lindsay Libel, Morgan Helmstetter, and Courtney Langley jump and celebrate the victory. Soon after, Langley was given the honor of putting a pie in principal Chris Lackey's face.

In perfect sync, cheer and dance excite and hype up the crowd.



Senior Taylor Twombly and Ashlie Witham strike a pose after a diddy called "Check it out."

Senior Dakota Zeit uses a straight arm tactic to keep Zach Lee and Bijon Duran from popping his balloons.

Juniors Mariah Cunningham and Mollie Tharp cheer "first and ten, do it again," at the Maur Hill game. This was the first game of the year for the cheerleaders to try their new cheers.



Dancing with the STARS

Yelling out new cheers, dancing to new "hip" songs and even performing a routine with the Troy Trojans dance team was what the 08-09 cheer and dance season consisted of - and even performing in the dark?!

As usual the squads practiced throughout the summer and showed the fans how their hard work paid off.

"We all worked really hard at practices and had a lot of fun, and we all know it pays off when we see the little girls looking up to us," said junior Mariah Cunningham.

The dance team performed many routines during football and basketball season with some of the favorites including "Feedback" by Janet Jackson, "The Way I Are" by Timberland and the glow in the dark dance.

All of the new routines and all of the new cheers were a big hit for the 08-09 spirit squad season.

"I had a blast cheering and dancing this year, and I'm really going to miss all the seniors," said sophomore Hannah Lackey.



First row: Shayln Fritch, Morgan Rush, Hannah Lackey. Second row: Courtney Langley, Ashlie Witham, Bethani Zeit, Mollie Tharp. Third row: Marijke Fox, Taylor Twombly, Mariah Cunningham.



First row: Hannah Lackey, Courtney Langley, Ashlie Witham, Michelle Johnson, Morgan Helmstetter. Second row: Shayln Fritch, Bethani Zeit, Taylor Twombly, Jackie Lysaght, Alesha Miller, Mollie Tharp. Third row: Keshana Cook, Maggie Gilmore, Kayla Schmitz, Emily French, Malia Sisk, Amanda Pickman, Lindsay Libel.

My Moments



"Dance was really fun this year, but Keshana and I were kinda nervous at first because we were the only two freshmen."
freshman Michelle Johnson
Left: Keshana Cook

What was your most memorable time during the season?



"When it was pouring down rain and all the cheerleaders and dancers had to wear ponchos."
junior Mollie Tharp



"On the way to the Wathena basketball game the cheerleaders ate a ton of food and I thought it was ironic because we are cheerleaders and most people think we wouldn't be able to eat that much!"
sophomore Ashlie Witham



"I loved it when we got to perform in the dark with glow sticks! The crowd went crazy every time."
Emily French 10th



Left Top: The cheerleaders prep to do a kick at the season opener at Maur Hill.

Left Bottom: Alesha Miller, senior, and juniors Lindsay Libel and Maggie Gilmore make fish lips while watching a JV game.

The Mustang Dance team danced to Janet Jackson's "Rhythm Nation." Prior to this performance, the dance team performed the same routine with the Trojan dance team at Troy.



Senior spirit squad members show appreciation to their coach, Kelly Twombly, after their last performance.



Cheerleaders: Shayln Fritch, Marijke Fox, Morgan Rush, Taylor Twombly, Hannah Lackey, Bethani Zeit, Ashlie Witham and Courtney Langley gather for a quick picture before a football game, sporting their new windsuits.

UFC

Unleashed

Sports teams are almost always full of surprises and excitement, and the wrestling team definitely had its fair share of surprises this past season.

It wasn't necessarily like being one of the first women allowed to vote, but Terri Simmons was the first female to join the wrestling team. "It's not weird having Terri on the wrestling team. We've wrestled girls before and she was on my middle school team," said sophomore Tanner Veach.

"It is great having Terri on the team. She is very tough and works extremely hard in practice. There are quite a few high school female wrestlers in this area, so most of the guys on our team are used to wrestling against girls," said coach Carl Swendson.



Senior Dakota Zeit takes on an opponent as Mission Valley.

SCORE REPORT

Tournament Results:

Varsity:

Onaga-	
Dakota Zeit	1st
Brett Dunlap	1st
DVL-	
Dakota Zeit	1st
Aaron Harris	2nd
Brett Dunlap	1st
Tanner Veach	2nd
Aaron Halling	Tied 2nd
Austin Veach	1st
Regionals-	
Dakota Zeit	2nd
Brett Dunlap	1st
Saint Mary's-	
Aaron Harris	5th
Brett Dunlap	2nd
Hiawatha-	
Tanner Veach	2nd
Aaron Halling	3rd
Austin Veach	1st
Junior Varsity:	
Pleasant Ridge-	
Tanner Veach	2nd
Aaron Halling	2nd
Austin Veach	2nd
Holton-	
Tanner Veach	4th
Aaron Halling	3rd
Austin Veach	1st



First row: manager Katie French, Aaron Harris, Trevor Saunders, Gabe Martinez, Terri Simmons, manager Amanda Cauthon. Second row: head coach Carl Swendson, Tanner Veach, Brett Dunlap, Austin Veach, Dakota Zeit, Aaron Halling.

Honors: State at Hays: Dakota Zeit - 6th, Brett Dunlap - 6th

My Moments



"Scaring the crap out of everyone when we were staying at the hotel for districts."
senior Aaron Harris

What was your most memorable time during the season?



"Coach Frank yelling with his pants hanging low."
senior Trevor Saunders



"Staying at the hotel in Hays for state."
senior Dakota Zeit

Tanner Veach takes control of his opponent from Oskaloosa.



"Honestly, I just think about going out on the mat and winning."
Brett Dunlap 11th



Terri Simmons clenches onto her opposer at the Regionals tournament.

Aaron Harris, senior, rolls his rival from Horton over onto the mat.



Trevor Saunders, senior, forces the Horton wrestler over for reversal.



Pinning a Horton wrestler, freshman Austin Veach wins a quick match.

Big SHOTS

Tradition under construction was what the boys lived by this season. After having a losing season last year, everyone on the team was ready to make a new change. That change started with a new head coach, Adam Hooker. "I was presented the opportunity to become head coach and with a new school I also had the opportunity to win and start a whole new tradition," said Hooker.

Led by six strong seniors the team had a record that they all were proud about, and every game kept the crowd on their feet the entire time. "It was great to have so many fans that supported us and it was great to see how we all came together as a team," said senior Paul Becker.

Saying goodbye to the seniors was hard, but everyone is looking forward to next year. When asked about the coming year Hooker said, "I'm excited to see who steps up into the leadership positions and see who will work to keep building our tradition up."

At the end of the season the boys were given a survey to fill out and here are some of the results. MVP: Travis Twombly; Hustle Award: Zach Lee; Most Improved Player: Travis Arnold and Keaton Blevins; Player everyone can't wait to see play next year: Cameron Twombly; Leadership Award: Zach Lee; Biggest Team Clown: Landon Allen, Adrian Duran, and Travis Twombly; Best Team Accomplishment: Team Record; Favorite Game: KCC; and things you'll miss about Coach Hooker: His crazy sideline actions.



Senior Paul Becker attempts to get another point for the victory over the Trojans. Being closely guarded, Becker goes straight up for a jump shot.

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SCORE REPORT

OPPONENT	SCORE	
JCN	33-43	L
Jackson Heights	39-37	W
Immaculata	64-43	W
Maur Hill	51-46	W
KCC	40-43	L
Horton	54-62	L
Oskaloosa	31-46	L
Immaculata	55-47	W
Olathe Christian	64-74	L
Wathena	46-54	L
Bern	41-49	L
Elwood	61-34	L
Jackson Heights	44-72	L
Troy	55-46	W
JCN	38-41	L
Wathena	57-40	W
Immaculata	56-54	W
Pleasant Ridge	50-59	L
Valley Falls	55-68	L
McLouth	55-46	W
Wathena	44-69	L
(Sub-state)		
Record	8-13	



First row: Cameron Twombly, Caleb Lackey, Chris Peuker, Nick Schneider, Nick Johnson, Dusty Saunders, Josh Van Laar. Second: Manager Katylin Blevins, Tyler Diveley, Travis Arnold, Paul Becker, Travis Twombly, Cody Weiland, Zach Lee, Bijon Duran, Keaton Blevins, manager Taylor Carwell. Third: Head coach Adam Hooker, Geoffrey Hargis, Ben Petrik, Landon Allen, Adrian Duran, Corey Martin, Kyle Cluck, Jacob Lee, and assistant coach Ron Shelton. Not Pictured: Ehren Nuzum.

Honors: All League Zach Lee and Travis Twombly.

My Moments



"When T-Rav made a half court shot against Immac to win the game, everybody stormed the court and the funny part was that Adrian just layed on the floor while everybody cheered."
sophomore Keaton Blevins

What was your most memorable time during the season?



"The Troy game."
junior Cameron Twombly



"The double overtime with KCC."
senior Cody Weiland



"When I'm playin ball I think about one thing... that I'm the best."
Adrian Duran
11th



Senior Cody Weiland jumps to save the ball from going out of bounds at the home game against Wathena.

Junior Adrian Duran receives a quick one-handed pass from senior Travis Twombly under the basket at the home game versus Pleasant Ridge.



Fighting for a two point basket, senior Bijon Duran goes up against two Wathena defenders during the home game.

Senior Zach Lee drives to the basket to create movement for the Mustangs. Lee helped the Mustangs win in overtime against Kansas City Christian.

Party of



"Did You Bring It?," appeared on the back of the Lady Mustangs team shirts this season and there is no doubt that every team they played did, in fact, have to "bring it"! Although the Mustangs did not finish with a winning record, a number of the games lost were only by a few shots.

The Mustangs were faced with many obstacles this season, including a new head basketball coach, Michael O'Toole. "Coach O'Toole had more of a laid-back strategy," said senior Jackie Lysaght. "He really wanted us to run the game."

Along with his laid-back style, Coach O'Toole tried to give the younger players a chance to compete at the varsity level.

"Playing varsity is a lot different than JV. I think getting to play in a few games this year is going to help us be more prepared next year," said sophomore Taryn Gibson.

Although the season may have ended a little different than the senior basketball players had imagined, there is great hope for the upcoming freshmen, sophomore, and junior classes for the future of the Lady Mustang basketball program.



Senior Bethani Zeit shoots a lay-up to help her team win at home against Wathena. "We knew we had to step up our game because we had already beat them once and knew they'd want a piece of us."

SCORE REPORT

OPPONENT	SCORE	W
Wathena	49-23	L
KC Christian	40-55	L
McLouth	35-57	L
Immaculata	40-38	W
Maur Hill Prep	34-48	L
KC Christian	33-39	L
Horton	37-55	L
Oskaloosa	26-46	L
Elwood	47-14	W
Mound City	26-42	L
Immaculata	37-48	L
Bern	36-43	L
Elwood	47-14	W
Jackson Heights	44-54	L
Troy	39-49	L
JCN	46-57	L
Wathena	56-31	W
Immaculata	41-52	L
Pleasant Ridge	65-53	W
Valley Falls	38-33	W
McLouth	42-49	L
Valley Heights	37-58	L



First row: Alaine Caudle, Michelle Johnson, Kendra Lysaght, Valerie Neibling, Rachel Rush. Second Row: Manager Narda Cahue, Brianna Cluck, Morgan Rush, Jackie Lysaght, Taylor Twombly, Bethani Zeit, Ashlie Witham, manager Emma-Leigh Herra. Third Row: Head coach Michael O'Toole, Nikki Boos, Jessica Pickman, Paige Ellis, Taryn Gibson, Lisa Scholz, Robyn Boos, assistant coach Judy Twombly, manager Taylor Martin.

Honors: All League: Taylor Twombly Elwood All-tournament team: Taylor Twombly, Bethani Zeit (3 pt. contest winner)

My Moments



When Paige shot a basket for the other team and we had to go into overtime! Luckily we won!
sophomore Alaine Caudle

What was your most memorable time during the season?



My most memorable time was when we played a freshmen game at Pleasant Ridge.
freshman Paige Ellis



My favorite memory was the JCN game. Even though we lost we played together as a team and it was one of our best games we played this season.
junior Lisa Scholz



"In a game I think about if my hair looks good and if my make-up is smudged."
Brianna Cluck
11th



Defending a Pleasant Ridge player, senior Morgan Rush helps the Lady Mustangs get a victory. "I thought we showed really good teamwork and we never gave up," Rush said about the over-time win against P. Ridge.

Sophomore Ashlie Witham makes a move against a McLouth defender. Juniors Lisa Scholz and Jessica Gartner execute the offense to help their teammate score.



Senior Taylor Twombly drives the baseline to get a shot off at the Troy game. "It sucked that we lost, but I think it made all of us step it up for the next few games we played."

Seniors Jackie Lysaght, Bethani Zeit, and Taylor Twombly approach the basket in hopes of getting a shot off at the home game against Valley Falls.

Run's

HOUSE

Working hard all year the track athletes have put forth a lot of effort to make the season what it has become. The team had such a late start because of the long basketball season, so the first track meet seemed to roll around rather quickly.

With no returning track coaches, the athletes had to get used to a whole new authority. Michael O'toole was the head coach and worked with the runners, Kertis Keehn was assigned to help throwing, and Chris Lackey was to help out with jumping events. They all ended up just helping out with everything.

The team invested in new windsuits that were water proof. They attempted to fundraise for the warmups but "everyone just ended up paying for them themselves," said junior Lisa Scholz.

Sophomore Travis Arnold said, "I really liked not having very many people out for track because the coaches got a chance to help each one of us, but I would also really like to have more people go out so the ending results could have been better."



Lisa Scholz approaches the mark to release the javelin at the D. West relays where she placed third.

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SCORE REPORT

MEET

Elwood Relays: Apr. 2- boys 5th and girls 6th
ACCHS- Apr. 14
Rock Creek- Apr. 17
Don.West Relays- Apr. 24
Don. Co. Meet- Apr. 30
Sabetha- May 8
DVL Meet- HCC track: May 14
Regionals- Washington: May 22
State at Wichita- May 29,30

State Track Meet

Zach Lee -long jump 8th
Amanda Pickman -triple jump 8th

Record breakers

Zach Lee- Triple jump, 41'6"



First row: Taylor Martin, Valerie Neibling, Rachel Rush, Jessica Pickman, Amanda Pickman, Tanner Veach, Katylin Blevins, Katie Folsom, manager Mollie Tharp. Second row: Travis Arnold, Chris Peuker, Lisa Scholz, Kyle Cluck, Geoffrey Hargis, Jake Simmons, Aaron Halling., Keaton Blevins. Third row: Assistant coach Chris Lackey, assistant coach Kertis Keehn, Ben Petrik, Chris Beagle, Corey Martin, Spencer Autem, Ehren Nuzum, head coach Michael O'Toole, manager Matthew Henry.

My Moments



"Having Kirk (HCC track athlete) tell us stories and jokes while teaching us how to throw the javelin during practices."
junior Chris Beagle

What was your most memorable time during the season?



"Getting a medal at the very first track meet we had was exciting."
freshman Ben Petrik



"I really don't have a memory because I've been out injured for almost the entire season."
sophomore Tanner Veach



"Everytime I throw the shotput, I grunt really hard because I think it makes me throw farther."
Spencer Autem
12th

Freshman Katie Folsom runs the 400 meter sprint during the Doniphan West Relays. "I hated running the 400, but, when I had to, I would tell myself to just breathe," said Folsom.

Freshman Ben Petrik hands off to sophomore Keaton Blevins during the 4 x 100 meter relay at the Elwood track meet on April 2.



Kyle Cluck heads down the last stretch of the 400m dash at the D. West relays.

Katylin Blevins, senior, hands off the baton to Amanda Pickman, junior, in the 4x200 meter relay.

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MAN VS. WILD



I can go four or five years without giving a detention but then one class comes around that just won't stop talking.
- Donna Parish



A student hid themselves in a closet and popped out right when the principal walked in.
- Chris Lackey



When I started teaching, one student was disrespectful and I was really close to knocking him out.
- Kertis Keehn



I used to have a girl who always would say she was pregnant and would even act like she was having contractions or pains.
- Rhonda Cluck

Kertis Keehn
Science



Chris Lackey
Asst. principal



Delbert Larson
Science



Toni Larson
Spanish



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Music



Laura Schmitz
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Antique Roadshow



Coach Adam Hooker collects baseball cards. "My favorite card is my George Brett rookie card. He played for the Royals in the 70's, 80's, and 90's and is now in the hall of fame."



Angie Neibling collects all kinds of hippos. "If it's a hippo I'll like it; I've never been able to run across a hippo I didn't like," said Neibling.

"I collect pin cushions, needle cases, powder jars and other old sewing things," said June Roberts. She said she also really likes pin cushions that are also measuring tapes.



USD 425 board members. front: Brad Gilmore, Michelle Saunders, Tim Nuzum. Back: Scott Twombly, Bill Hargis, Ron Schneider. not pictured Rod Carwell.

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Match the person with what superhero they want to be made into.

- 1. Wonder Woman
- 2. Cat Woman
- 3. Spiderman

Lacie Diveley



Veronica Dickson



Jessica Pickman



3. Lacie

2. Veronica

1. Jessica

I want to be *MADE* into a . . .



Working toward becoming a billionaire, Narda Cahue flaunts her starting bucks.

"If I were an interior designer I would live in California in a beachside house that I designed. I would also design Britney Spears' new house."

~Michelle Johnson

Sneaking up on a grizzly during his hunting show, Mason Rush lies down waiting to kill.



"If I were an X-Men I would use my invisibility skills to sneak up on my rival enemies and defeat them."

~Ben Petrik

"If I were an equestrian I would live close to Santa Maria and win the Triple Crown."

~Katie Folsom



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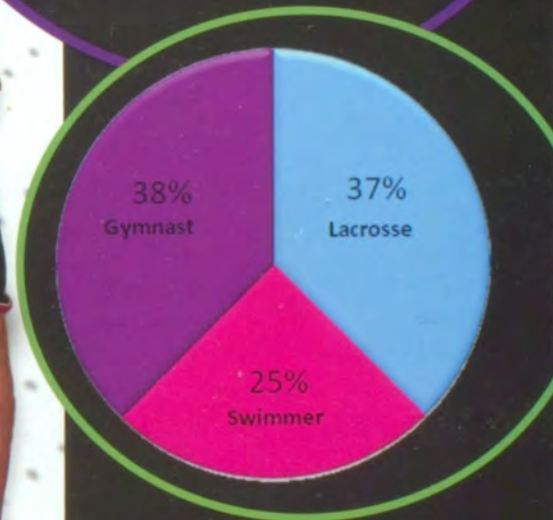


Dreaming about her future as a professional female boxer, Autumn Royer gets ready to fight and practices her right hook.

Looking into his future as a professional ping pong athlete, Dusty Saunders anticipates his next swing.



If you could be made into an olympic athlete which would it be?



Katie Folsom



Aaron Halling



Emma-Leigh Herra



Michelle Johnson



Rusty Krantz

Jacob Lee



Kendra Lysaght



Katrina Miller



Benjamin Petrik



A Shot at Love



Sweet and innocent Paige Ellis waits for her knight in shining armor.



Idolizing her future true love, Rachel Rush admires a picture of Zac Efron, a popular heartthrob in the movie "High School Musical."

Describe your perfect date...

Chris Peuker

Going to a romantic movie with my girlfriend, then going to a restaurant and holding hands with her.

Brittany Rauch

Going to the ocean when the sun is setting, with a quiet romantic guy.

Jacob Lee

Go out to dinner and a movie. Get ice cream and then take a walk on the beach.

Haley Tilton

Romantic dinner and then go for a long walk in the park.



Autumn Royer



Mason Rush



Rachel Rush



Dustin Saunders



Nicholas Schneider

Chris Peuker



Jessica Pickman



Brittany Rauch



Charles Robinson



Teenage Freedom:

Freedom

vs.

Lockdown

Nikki Boos



LOCKDOWN

When I am allowed to go out I hang with friends and my boyfriend.

--Nikki Boos

When I go out, I go to the movies and eat out at a restaurant.

--Nick Schneider



Kyle Alfrey

FREEDOM

I like to hang out with my friends or go to see a movie when I go out.

--Keshana Cook



I like to walk around Atchison with my friends and meet new people when I go out.

--Katrina Miller



PARENTAL CONTROL



Terri Simmons



Austin Veach



Colton Waggoner



Dylan Wood

Brady Adams

Landon Allen

Travis Arnold

Keaton Blevins

Robyn Boos



Match the person with the celebrity they want to be made into.

- 1. *Eva Longoria*
- 2. *Jennifer Nettles*
- 3. *Jack Black*

Ashley Courtin



Caleb Lackey



Rachel Keller



2. Ashley Courtin

3. Caleb Lackey

1. Rachel Keller

I want to be MADE into a...



Chilling out with his gal pals, Keaton Blevins works toward being the next Hugh Hefner. (photo illustration)

Hoping to be the next big movie star, Stephanie Scales shows off her acting skills. (photo illustration)



I think it would be fun to be a skateboarder. It would be cool to perform tricks.
~Sharona Shiflet

I would want to be a skydiver because I'm an adrenaline junkie!
~Marshall Diveley

I would want to be a pro skier because it's really fun and I enjoy it.
~Nick Johnson

I would want to be a rockstar because I love rock music. The publicity would be great.
~Dillan Colborn



Alaine Caudle

Dillan Colborn

Ashley Courtin

Katie Crandall

Skylar Crossland

SOPHOMORES

I want to be made into a big time computer nerd! Like the next Bill Gates.
~Landon Allen



What is your favorite show on MTV?



I want to be made into a breakdancer!!!
~Taryn Gibson



Mackenzie Cunningham



Marshall Diveley



Emily French



Taryn Gibson



Michael Hurd

Nick Johnson



Rachel Keller



Gary Koelliker



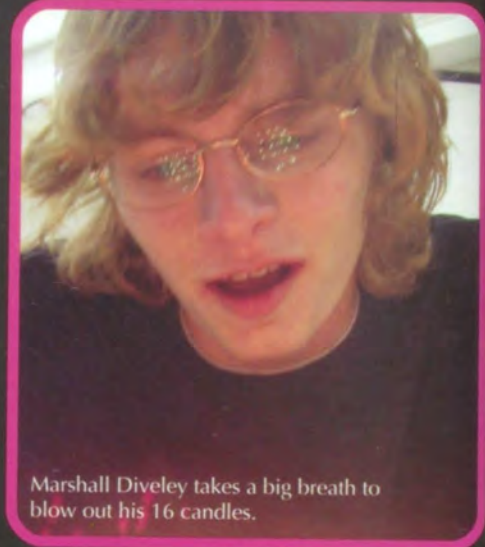
Caleb Lackey



Hannah Lackey



How sweet was your 16?



Marshall Diveley takes a big breath to blow out his 16 candles.

For your 16th, what did you do?

Josh Van Laar

I went paintballing!

movies, bowling, out to eat, haunted house

Landon Allen

Hannah Lackey

Went to the lake with friends, rode jet skiis and ate food

I plan on having a huge banquet with my family and friends

Emily French

Taylor Martin

I went out to eat.



Lorie Peuker



Katherine Rush



Stephanie Scales



Sharona Shiflet



Steven Simmons

Ethan Larson



Taylor Martin



Kelby McNemee



Elisa Neibling



Valerie Neibling



What's unique

Landon Allen's Crib

about your room?

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E



My closet is the size of a bedroom.
-Ashlie Witham

There are lots of different colors.
- Lorie Peuker



There are mirrors covering one whole wall.
-Hannah Lackey

A
F
T
E
R



I have a lot of toys on my bed.
- Cody Winchester



CRIBS



Josh Van Laar



Tanner Veach



Ravin Walls



Cody Winchester



Ashlie Witham

Zach Baker

Chris Beagle

Dyllon Butrick

Taylor Carwell

Brianna Cluck

Kyle Cluck



Match the person with what they would want to be made into.

- 1. Pro-Bull Rider
- 2. Cattle Roper
- 3. Skydiver

Marijke Fox



Kristy Denton



Jessica Rauch



3. Marijke

2. Kristy

1. Jessica

I want to be MADE into a . . .



Shrimp Colonoscopist, Maggie Gilmore is anxious to scoop poop from elderly shrimp.

Decked in her scuba gear Savannah Stevens gets ready to dive into the seven seas.



I want to be into a what? "Made" is a reality MTV show where teenagers want to be made into something such as an actor, athlete, singer, dancer, etc. The teenagers are then teamed up with a specialist in that field, who becomes the "Made" coach. The "Made" coach then helps that teenager become what he or she wishes to be.

"I want to be made into a famous singer because I love to sing and it would be fun to perform in front of thousands of people."
~Matthew Henry



Jacob Collins

Mariah Cunningham

Brennan Davis

Cheyenne Davis

Kristy Denton

Brett Dunlap

Adrian Duran

JUNIORS

Surfing towards her future Malia Sisk gets ready to practice on the high tides.



Taylor Carwell tests her kendo skills to perfect her dream of being a kendo swordsman.

If you had to be a musician what genre of music would you play?



Michale Edie

Amber Folsom

Marijke Fox

Shayln Fritch

Jessica Gartner

Maggie Gilmore

Miranda Godfrey

Geoffrey Hargis

Morgan Helmstetter

Matthew Henry

Jessica Hutchinson

Brittany Keever

Gary Keim

Courtney Langley



What Not To Wear

4 fiery fashion fads

- 1. Skinny jeans
- 2. Beanies
- 3. Flats
- 4. Big purses



What are some of your favorite trends?

Mariah Cunningham

I like scarves the best! They can bring any outfit together.

Sport shorts. I can wear them with anything.

Geoffrey Hargis

I like light colored jeans. They go with anything.

Kristy Denton

Dyllon Butrick

Fox racing shirts the best. I wear one pretty much every day.



Joey Scholz

Lisa Scholz

Chris Simmons

Jacob Simmons

PD Simmons

Malia Sisk

Chris Smith

Lindsay Libel



Ben Lock



Korey Martin



Amanda Pickman



Jessica Rauch



Kayla Schmitz

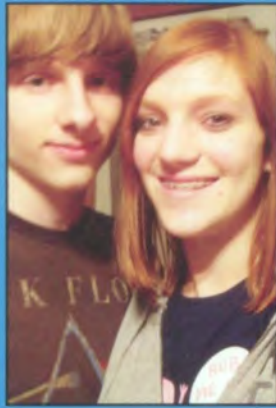


After

Kayla Schmitz & Brennan Davis



Caleb Lackey & Maggie Gilmore



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Keaton Blevins & Amanda Pickman



Ever wonder if your significant other would change the way you look? Well with these 3 couples found out what they would look like if their beaus made them up.



"I felt that Brennan was a little too good at applying makeup! Wonder what he does in his spare time?" 1.

"Caleb should do my makeup everyday! It was definitely an improvement from my already movie star good looks." 2.

"Keaton was a pro! He didn't want to stop doing my makeup. I was a little worried!" 3.

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Good luck next year!

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SENIORS

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Ryan Kuhnert



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Jessica Peuker



Sean Price



Danielle Rush



Morgan Rush

Our lives are before us...Our past is behind us...But our memories are forever with us.



Trevor Saunders



Nikolaus Scales



Brittany Schneider



Brady Smith



Brandon Smith



Taylor Twombly



Travis Twombly



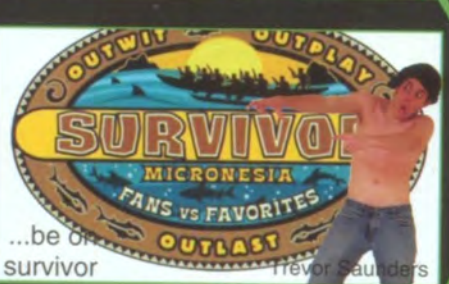
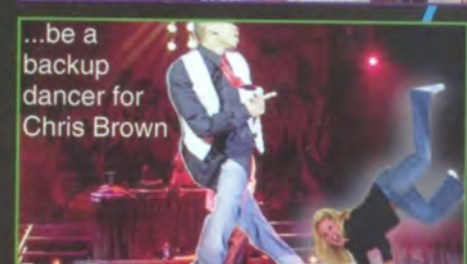
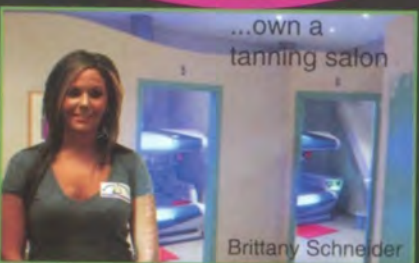
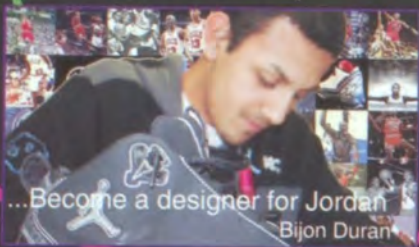
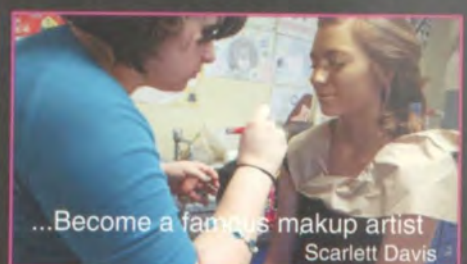
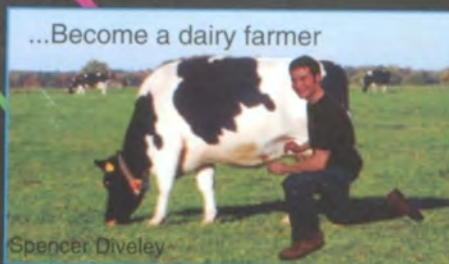
Cody Weiland

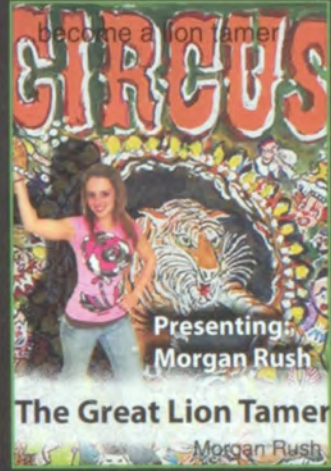


Bethani Zeit



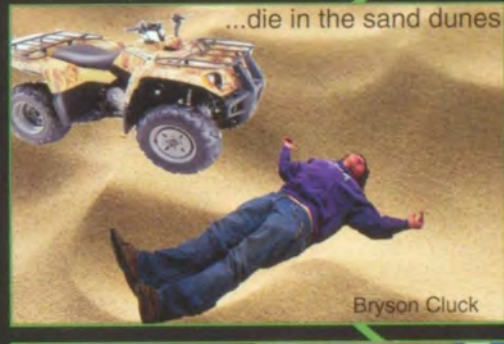
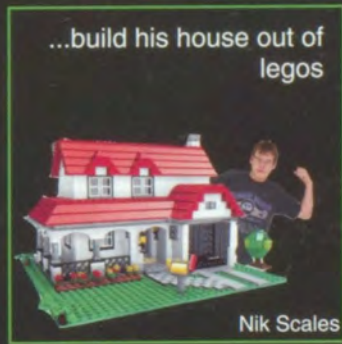
Dakota Zeit





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The candidates allow family and friends to take pictures after the crowning. Pictured are Bethani Zeit, Travis Twombly, Morgan Rush, Paul Becker, Taylor Twombly and Dakota Zeit. The flower girl was Emma Murphy and the crown bearer was Blake Summerford.



Charmed

Once upon a time. . . the "Mustangs stomped the Bulldogs" was slogan for the winning float built by the junior class. With a giant replica of a storybook the juniors received first place and got to smash a whipped cream pie in the face of assistant principal Chris Lackey.

During the pep rally at the end of the parade the girl candidates got to shove a hotdog topped with ketchup, mustard and relish into their partner's mouth.

"Bethani shoved the hotdog in my mouth before I was ready for it and I about hurried!" said senior Travis Twombly.

The bonfire was a big hit this year. Literally. A car bash was the highlight of the Thursday evening bonfire, and the senior boys left the car totally demolished.

"It was awesome because a bunch of us seniors stayed late and flipped the car after everyone else left," said senior Zach Lee.

Last but not least, the football game was Friday night against the McLouth Bulldogs. The juniors predicted right and the Mustangs did stomp the Bulldogs: 52-10.

The dance where everyone got their groove on was after the game.



With her pants pulled high and shirt tucked in, junior Kayla Schmitz fully participates in "Grandparents Day" during spirit week.



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Homecoming

Smashing the head lights, senior Paul Becker shows his might at the Homecoming Car Bash. This spirit week activity was held in the high school parking lot during the bonfire pep rally.



Shakin' their stuff at the Homecoming dance, juniors Malia Sisk, Kayla Schmitz, Maggie Gilmore, and sophomore Caleb Lackey dance to the "ChaCha Slide."

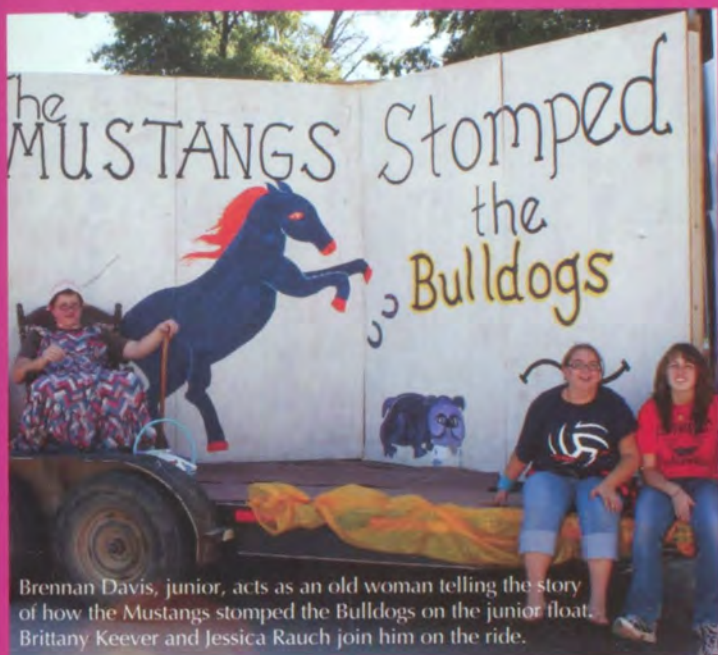


Memory

Memories



Working together as a class and building our float.
-Senior Scarlett Davis



Brennan Davis, junior, acts as an old woman telling the story of how the Mustangs stomped the Bulldogs on the junior float. Brittany Keever and Jessica Rauch join him on the ride.



Getting to stuff almost our entire class in a car at the bonfire.
-Sophomore Taylor Martin



Getting to play in the homecoming game as a freshman.
-Freshman Austin Veach



Sophomores Katie Crandall, Mackenzie Cunningham, and Lorie Peuker strike a rocker pose for spirit week.



With mustard, ketchup and relish flying, the boy candidates Travis Twombly, Dakota Zeit, and Paul Becker try to catch the condiments with their hotdog during the homecoming games following the parade.



Punching the car at the bonfire, during the car bash, and denting the fender.
-Junior Ben Lock

Jackie Lysaght and Bijon Duran, Queen Katylin Blevins and King Cody Weiland, Alesha Miller and Zach Lee make up the Winter Royalty Court along with flower girl Sadie Leach. Not pictured: crown bearer Lane Collins.



King of Queens

Cupid shot an arrow in the student body the week of Winter Royalty, leaving the whole school Love Struck.

The spirit week dress up days were pajama day, tacky day, class color day, and blue and orange day.

At the community pep rally the king candidates Bijon Duran, Zach Lee, and Cody Weiland were blind-folded and their partners Jackie Lysaght, Katylin Blevins and Alesha Miller led them across a tarp covered with eggs. Careful not to break any eggs, each guy tip-toed and slowly made his way to the other side. After all three boys were unblind-folded they realized that they had been fooled when the eggs were removed while they were blind-folded.

Courtney Langley, junior, said her favorite part of the pep rally was watching "cheerleaders" senior Travis Twombly and junior Lindsay Libel dance to "Can't Touch This." The crowd enjoyed the dance because of the dance moves and the hilarious costumes.

During halftime of the boys' basketball game, Cody Weiland and Katylin Blevins were crowned King and Queen.

Fueled by the adrenaline of victory, the dance was enjoyed by the students who attended.



Lindsay Libel, junior, performs a skit as one of the "Saturday Night Live" cheerleaders at the community pep rally.

Someone who fully participates in Spirit Week dressup days is junior Savannah Stevens.



Juniors Kayla Schmitz, Cheyenne Davis, and Maggie Gilmore show how they can put together some crazy outfits for tacky day.



Only Memories



My favorite part was Tacky Day!
-freshman
Ben Petrik

Competing for the win Zach Lee japs up the competition during the candidate games at the community pep rally.



My favorite part was watching the crowning!
-sophomore
Mackenzie Cunningham



My favorite part was when "Staying at Spencer's to scare the girls next door" was mentioned in the candidates' announcements.
-senior
Spencer Autem



Queen Katylin Blevins and King Cody Weiland show their royal side after the crowning.



Dancing like no one's watching, Jackie Lysaght, senior, and her date do the "YMCA."



My favorite part of Winter Royalty was dressing up for pajama day.
-senior
Amanda Cauthon



A forgotten reporter Betty Lang, sophomore Emily French, is merely allowed to take pictures to accompany Russ Palmer's articles.

Whose line is it anyway?

A fresh start at a new school, the art and drama club sponsor Stanley Thornton directed two productions. He decided to direct a fall play "Frumptales" and a spring play "Murder in the House of Horrors," in which many students participated in.

"Everyday was a different and fun experience with T-Dog," said junior Cheyenne Davis.

"Frumptales" was a fun, family-oriented play about a millionaire who bought out Grim Fairytales. Deciding that the fairytales aren't making him enough money he decides to "Frumptale" them up."

"I enjoyed working on the set of 'Frumptales' getting to know everyone, and having a good time," said junior Savannah Stevens.

"Murder in the House of Horrors" was a suspenseful play about an Archeologist who goes to Egypt and brings back relics. While giving a presentation on the main relic, the lights go out and he was killed. Was it the wife, the mistress, the Egyptian Royalty, or the Museum Curator?

This was Thornton's first year to put on a production.

"Everyone was more helpful than other places I taught. I felt more welcomed by everyone," said Thornton.



Saving Jane Trice, senior Scarlett Davis, from hitting the floor, senior Paul Becker plays a cop in "Murder in the House of Horrors."

Seniors Paul Becker, Ryan Kuhnert, and Travis Twombly come together one last time as cops and detectives during the spring play.



Mixing in a little "Macbeth" juniors Savannah Stevens and Lindsay Libel and sophomore Katie Crandall play the three witches.



Changing up "Little Red Riding Hood" junior Savannah Stevens plays the woodcutter, junior Cheyenne Davis is the Big Bad Wolf, and senior Taylor Twombly is the narrator.



Playing a reporter, Matthew Henry gives a rundown of the events leading up to the professor's murder to Ryan Kuhnert who is playing a detective.



Along with director Stanley Thorton the cast of "Frumptales" takes a group picture around "The Ronald's" desk before opening night of their production.

Only Memories



"Before the play began when Savannah yelled 'For Narnia' in a British accent while holding up her axe."
-senior Bethani Zeit



"Stabbing Caleb in the ear with a pencil."
-junior Cheyenne Davis



"The adrenaline rush when you are up on stage and the way you can be someone totally different than who you normally are, is just amazing."
-sophomore Katie Crandall



"During a rehearsal Paul and Ryan were 'shooting' each other."
-freshman Keshana Cook

Getting out on the dance floor everyone shows off how to do the "Cupid Shuffle."



Once Upon a Prom

For six days from about 3:30 to 7:30 the juniors worked hard transforming the gym into an Arabian Night that would take the unknowing seniors on a "Magic Carpet Ride." The Arabian theme was decorated in purples, golds, and twinkling white lights.

Dinner was served at 7 p.m. and consisted of tossed salad, pulled pork, green beans, baked potatoes, roll, and ice cream sundaes for dessert.

As soon as everyone was done eating, they hit the dance floor starting the night with the "Cha Cha Slide."

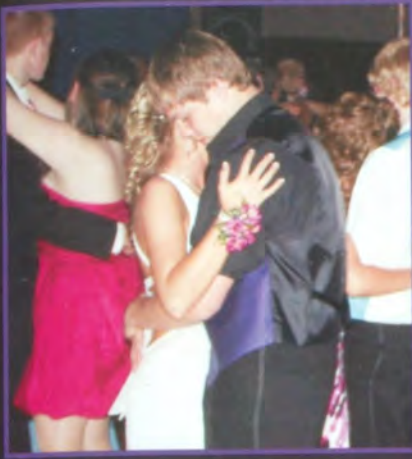
"My favorite dance of the night was 'Stanky Leg' by GS Boyz because it was really fun to dance to and it was fun watching everyone trying to wiggle their leg back and forth with their dresses on," said Courtney Langley, junior.

After prom was held at Midway. The after prom committee provided lazer tag, inflatables, and sumo wrestling, along with lots of food and prizes.

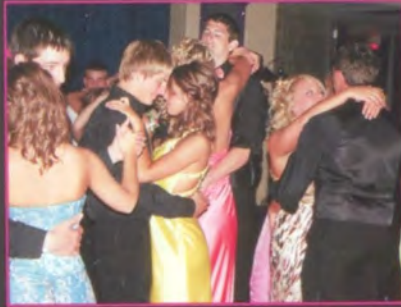


Danielle Rush, senior, busts a move out on the dance floor.

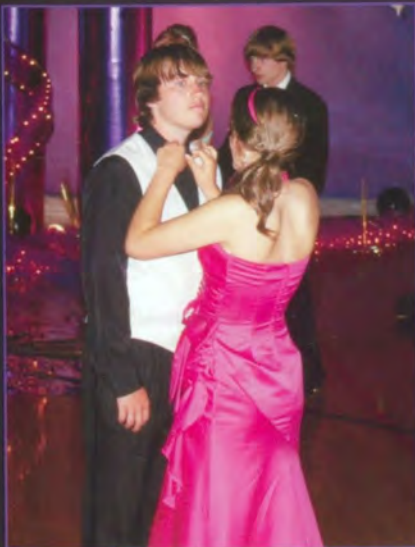
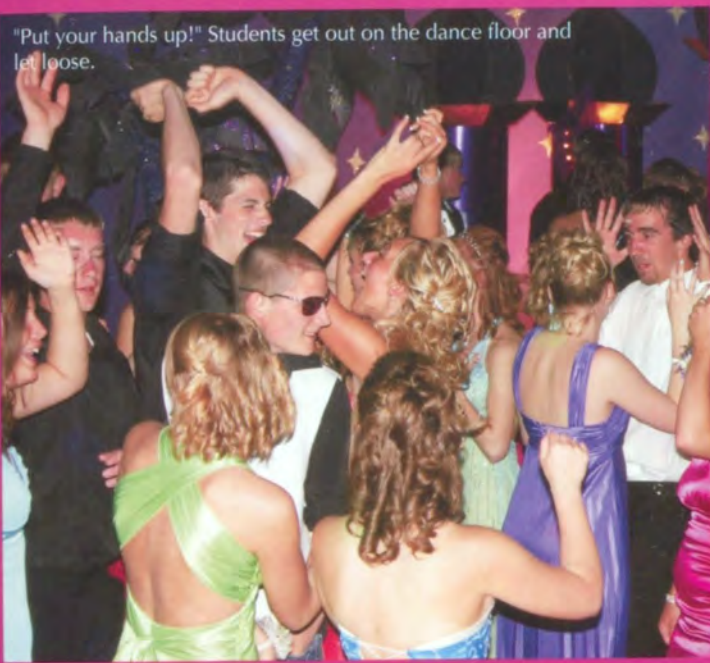
Brett Dunlap, junior, slows it down with his date Mollie Tharp, junior.



Elijah Dunn, Shayln Fritch, Keaton Blevins, Amanda Pickman, and Taylor Twombly and date enjoy a slow dance.



"Put your hands up!" Students get out on the dance floor and let loose.



Needing oxygen, Bailey Blair loosens junior Geoffrey Hargis' tie before the dance gets started.



Kendra Lysaght, Kyle Cluck, Katie Crandall, Jake Collins, Paige Ellis, Chris Beagle, Corey Martin, and Lisa Scholz relax after picture taking and await dinner to be served.

Memory



Being the only one brave enough to walk in prom first.
-senior Jessica Peucker



Winning all of the good prizes at after prom.
-senior Emily Boos



Eating and doing the moon walk at the dance.
-senior Cody Weiland



Having fun with all of the after prom activities
-senior Spencer Diveley

Before the Dixie Stampede dinner and show, the seniors pose together for a great beginning of their memorable class trip.



Prison Break

Senior Trip was a great ending to the seniors' high school years together. The class of 2009 enjoyed their stay and made the best of their trip to Branson, Mo.

"I think everyone seemed to have a good time on our Senior Trip," said senior Alesha Miller.

The group attended Dixie Stampede the first night that they arrived. Travis Twombly and Taylor Twombly, along with sponsor Mark Martin were chosen to participate in a fun contest during the show.

On the second day, the class proved their driving skills while racing go karts and driving bumper cars. They also rolled down a long hill, two at a time, in big blown up balls, on an attraction called Ball Knockers.

During the last full day of the trip, the seniors went to the theme park Silver Dollar City and then ended their day with an evening of shopping at a nearby outlet mall.

"I thought it was really good because usually everybody talks about how their class got tired of each other," said Bethani Zeit, "but I don't think that was the case with our class."

Overall, the trip was considered a fun time to the majority of those who went.



While maneuvering a bumper boat and spraying his classmates with water, Nik Scales laughs and enjoys the ride.



Senior Trip

Enjoying herself at Silver Dollar City, Jessica Peuker smiles before taking a spin on the tea cup ride.



Brady Smith, Todd Neibling, and Trevor Saunders show off their "newly bought" facial hair that was found at the Tanger Outlet Center. "We bought it basically because we thought it would be funny," said Smith.



My Memories



"I liked the go karts because it was fun and I've never done it before."
Katilyn Blevins



Spencer Diveley waves before taking off on a go kart race versus his fellow classmates.



"My favorite part of the trip was the Ballknockers. I didn't think I'd like it, but it was fun to roll down a hill inside of a huge ball."
Alesha Miller



"My favorite part was when Travis was sleeping in front of my door and I almost stepped on him."
Katie French



In her hotel room, and after a great evening of shopping, Scarlett Davis shows off her packages containing the items that she bought at a nearby outlet mall.



"I liked making the midnight run to McDonald's right before the tornado."
Trevor Saunders

Swaying in the air, Chelsea Diveley, Anna Caudle, and Danielle Rush show happiness and a tight grip on one another after surviving the Ozark Mountain Skycoaster.

The class of 2009 poses for one last picture together before they graduate and head off in separate directions.



Wild n' Out

I would first like to say thank you to my parents, family, friends, classmates, teachers, administration, and the many other people who have touched my life. When I thought about making a speech for today, to me, it made sense to talk about our class motto. Our motto reads: Our lives are before us...our past is behind us...but our memories are forever with us.

In the past, our parents have taught us many life lessons of responsibility and honesty, and they have taught us how to love others. As we've grown older, many teachers, both in the classroom and out, have prepared us for our future. They've taught us how to be upstanding people by teaching us lessons and preparing us for the real world. As students, we've learned from both our mistakes and our successes.

Lasting memories of play days, field trips, and sleepovers will stay with us forever. And of course, we'll never forget when the "Midway" kids and the "Highland" kids came together in the 8th grade. We've had a lot of fun with friends at dances, ballgames, and other activities. We'll remember both the good times and the bad.

With our lives before us, we're ready to start the next phase. Some of us will join the work force, military, technical school, or college. May we use our abilities to the fullest to become the great people God wants us to be.

Doniphan West class of 2009, I wish you all the very best, with a life full of happiness and success. We've come a long way since we first joined forces in the 8th grade. Our lives are before us...our past is behind us...but our memories are forever with us. Work hard, God bless, and good luck.

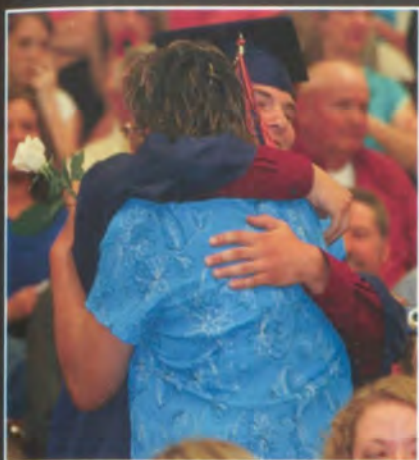
Salutatorian Danielle Rush



Spencer Diveley gladly accepts his diploma from board member Michelle Saunders.

Graduation

Ryan Kuhnert gives his mom a hug and a flower during the flower ceremony.



The class of 2009 celebrates the end of their high school careers by following the tradition of throwing up their mortar boards.



My Memories



"My best memory was being able to hang out with all my friends at prom. I'm really going to miss all those moments."
Emily Boos



"My favorite memories are just being able to hang out with my friends all the time."
Aaron Harris



Waiting for the rest of their class to receive their diplomas are Jacob Godfrey, Spencer Autem, Paul Becker, Katylin Blevins, and Emily Boos.



"My best memory of high school is being able to sit and talk with my friends at lunch."
Anna Caudle



Trevor Saunders escorts Morgan Rush down the aisle one last time before they leave high school forever.



Class Valedictorian Katie French smiles at her class before giving her farewell speech.

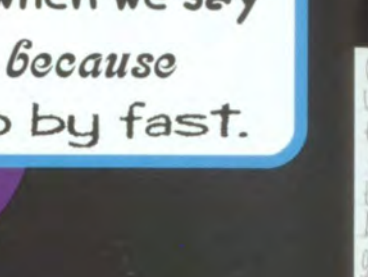
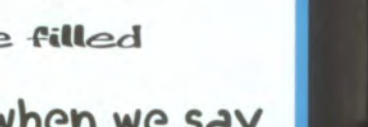
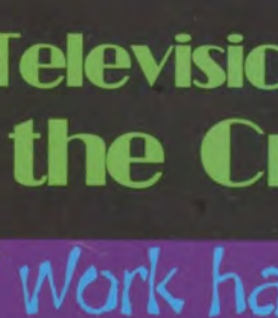
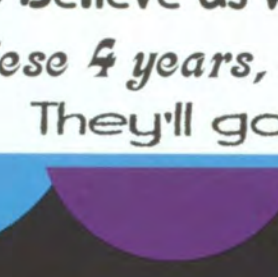
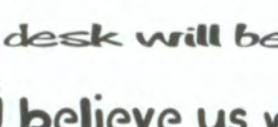
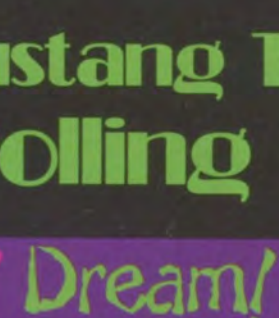
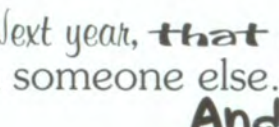
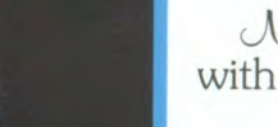
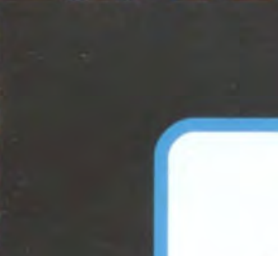
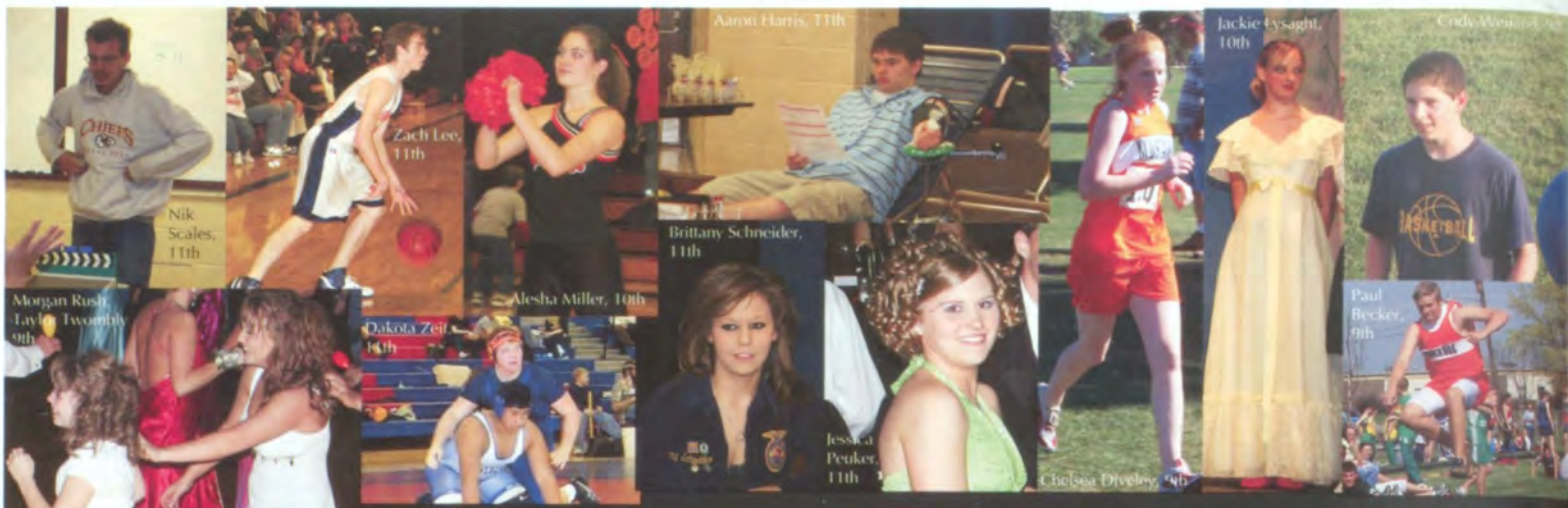


"My best memory was getting to hang out with my friends on a daily basis."
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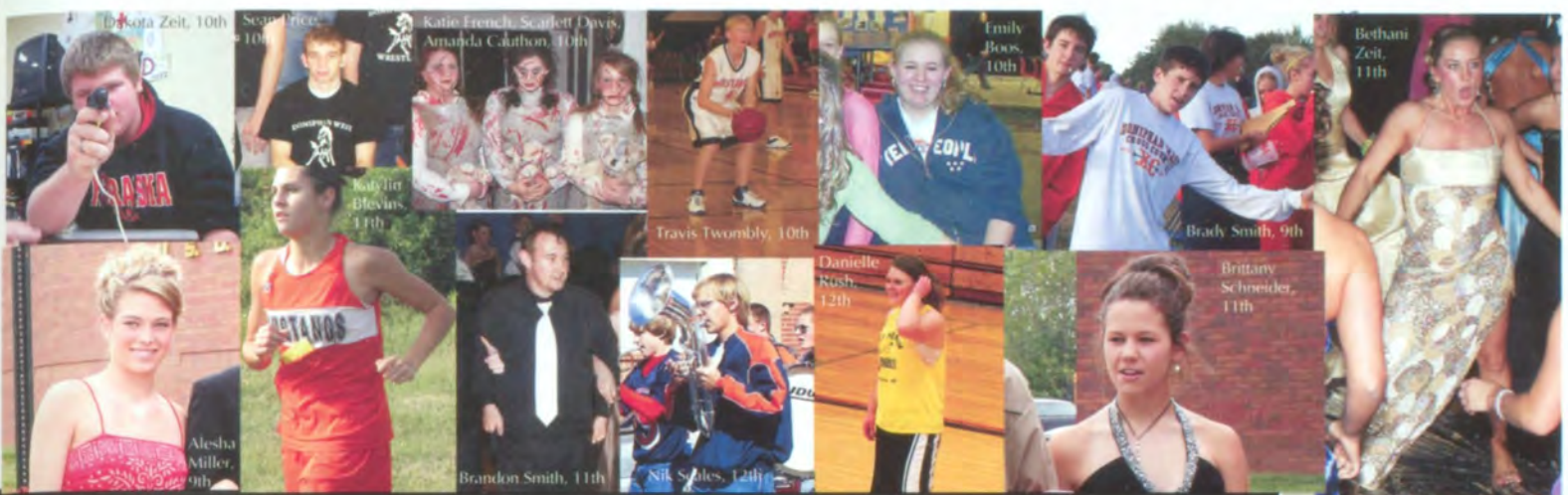


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Alesha Miller, 9th

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Brittany Schneider, 11th

Anna Caudill, 10th

Class of 2009!
Wow! We have finally done it. Thanks for all the memories & good times you all have had an important part in my life and I want to thank every single one of you for making the last 4 years as great as they were! I love you all and hope your life is filled with sunshine & butterflies! Haha!
Love you!
Alesha Miller



Class of 2009,
Our past together has been great! Our futures, together and apart, will be even greater! I just hope that when you see a girl on stilts you will think of me!
Love,
Opaki



Seniors! ~2009~
This class has been the best so far at DWHS! Yet I'm a bit biased. We've been there a lot, but we've always stuck it out. Thanks to everyone for supporting each other. Best of luck to you all!! Hope to see you on breaks + daring summers!
Love Always,
Alesha Miller



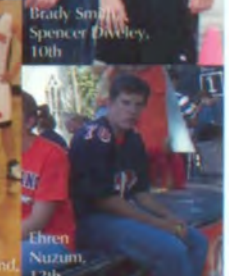
It's been through a lot together and the hard, and even though it's been FINALLY long, and all our lives have come to a close, we never forget. We have so many memories that will stay with us forever. Thanks what I want to thank everyone with the best of luck in whatever you wish. Thanks for the memories.
Love,
Morgan



Senior Class of '09 -
Highschool has been a blast with all of you. I don't think I could have picked a better class! I hope everyone fulfills their hopes and dreams and lives the best life they can!
Love,
Bethani Zeit
P.S. we're done with HS forever!



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Every show has to come to an end just like our high school days. From winter to summer the shows change and vary just like the days of our lives. Every year we move on in high school is like a new season to the series we call life. Each class has its own show that comes with drama, trauma and comedy. Some people take it upon themselves to be the comedians, while others choose to be the people who blend into the background and when they are needed come up with the best ideas. There are also the news reporters, the people who always know what's going on in the school. Every day is like a new episode, and we never know what new drama will arise. Just like a television show every person in our school plays an important role. There are no small parts, only small actors. As a series comes to an end, actors move on to bigger and better shows just like we will move on in our lives and leave behind the friends and good times we had in high school.



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Spencer Diveley

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and success in all you
do. Follow your dreams.

We love you.
Dad, Mom, Lacie



Amanda Cauthon

Amanda~
We are so proud of you.
Stay true to who you are and
your faith~
and know we will always
believe in you.

Love,
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Scarlett Davis



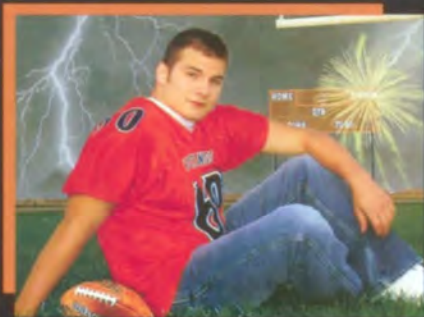
Scarlett,
You have become You!
We were informed when you were in
kindergarten that school would never be
your environment of choice--you were
very creative and too much of a free
spirit. Everyone tried to make you
conform; Daddy and I probably the
hardest. Everyone was only wanting
you to be successful. Guess what?
You are. And you accomplished this
without losing the integrity of who you
truly are. We are so proud of where you
have arrived as a person. We know that
you will be starting another journey, and
we are ready for your adventures to
begin.

Love,
Mama, Daddy, Shiloh and Shelby

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Laugh Often
Love MUCH

Ryan Kuhnert

Love ya!
Mom, Daniel, Sarah,
Austin and Layla



Chelsea Marie DIVELEY

We are very proud of you!
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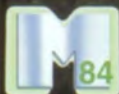
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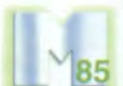
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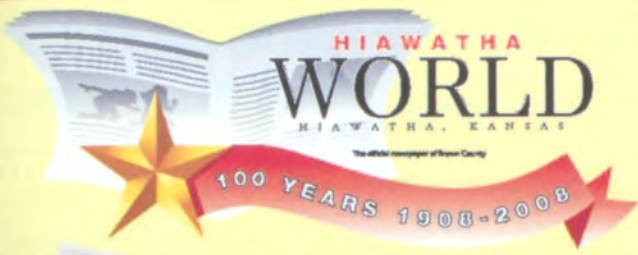
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We hope you always forgive and never regret and you help somebody every chance you get.

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Bethi!*

Love, Mommy

You have brains in your head.
You have feet in your shoes.
You can steer yourself in any
direction you choose.
You're on your own.
And you know what you know.
You are the guy who'll decide
where to go.

-Dr Seuss



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is preparing for
you.

~Barbara Johnson



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Alaine Caudle and Steven Simmons laugh as they eat their breakfast and talk to friends while waiting for school to start.



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Love Grandpa & Grandma
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Love,
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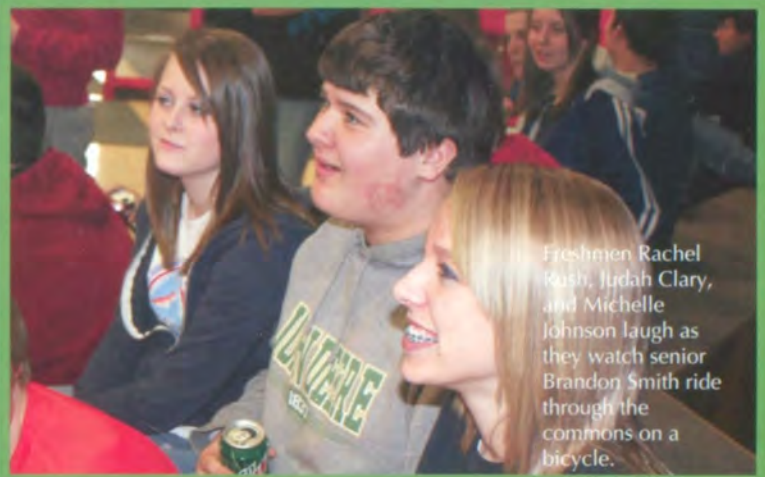
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Danielle Rush



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I love you,
Grandma
Rita

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Freshman Thomas Erzen gets ready, aims, and fires during the winter dodgeball tournament all with a smile on his face.





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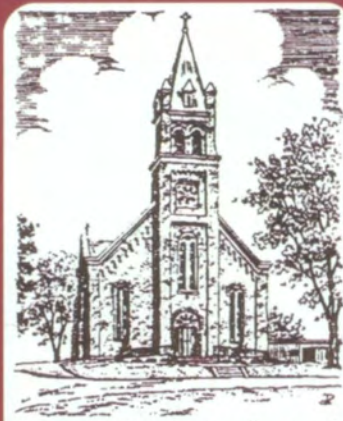
Spencer Autem

Spencer,
You've always been wise beyond your years, instinctively knowing to laugh often and much, to appreciate beauty, to find the best in others- the true measures of success. Go confidently now in the direction of your dreams to live the life you have imagined. We love you and are so proud!
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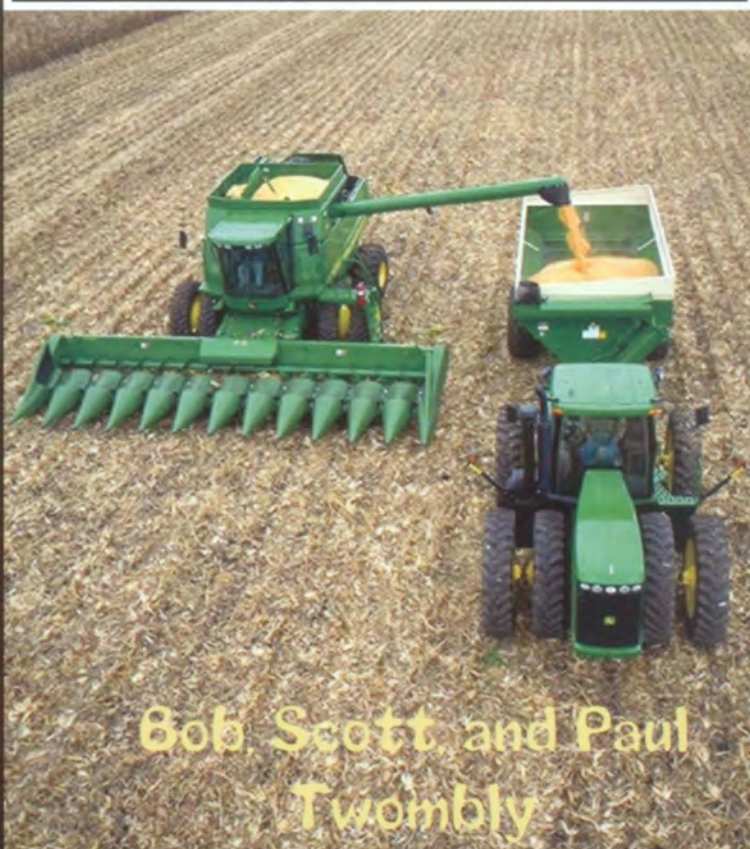


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World Beat



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Arizona Senator John McCain wins the Republican nomination for president and names Alaska Governor Sarah Palin as his running mate. Palin is the Republican Party's first female nominee for vice president.



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Waves of Change



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Politics in pop culture

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Democratic Senator Joe Biden of Delaware becomes the 47th vice president of the United States. A member of the Senate since 1973, Biden brings long-time Washington experience to the Obama administration.



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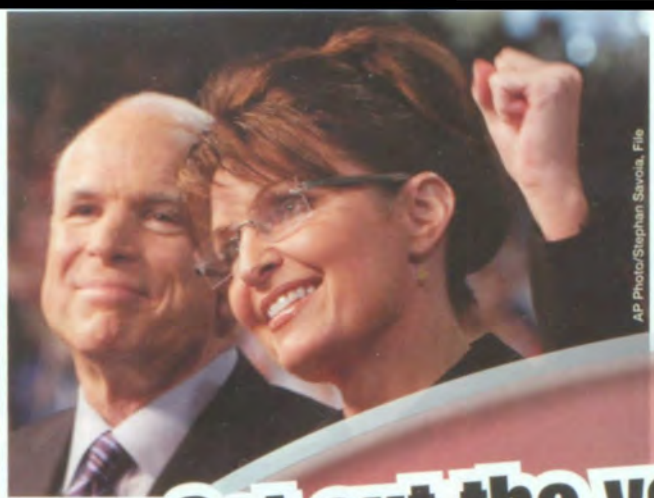


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Get out the vote!



Campaign volunteers



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First-time voters

Obama's grassroots organization and innovative Web campaign is credited with inspiring young and first-time voters to participate heavily in the election.

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The values, fashion and personal vitality of the Obama family resonate with Americans. Public interest in the first family rivals that of the interest in the Kennedy family in the 1960s.

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Barack Obama makes history as the first African-American to win the presidency of the United States. The former Illinois senator promises an era of change that captures the imagination of voters nationwide.

Electoral Votes

Obama	365
McCain	173



New York Times

Obama Wins



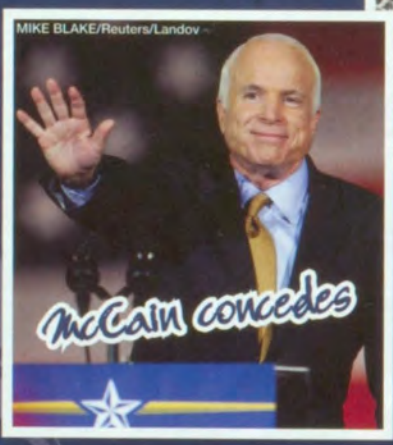
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McCain/Palin run a strong campaign, winning 22 states. But they are defeated 53 vs. 46 percent in the general election and by a substantial margin in the Electoral College.



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Celebrations around the world

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Obama's Cabinet nominations



In January 2009, president-elect Obama attends the ultimate power lunch in the White House, meeting and getting advice from President Bush as well as former Presidents George H. W. Bush, Bill Clinton and Jimmy Carter.

Getting prepared for office



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The inaugural parade



Souvenirs

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ALOHA from Honolulu, Hawaii

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During the inauguration ceremony, Malia Obama captures the moment from a unique point of view.

Inauguration 1-20-09



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Barack Obama is sworn in as the 44th president of the United States before millions in Washington, D.C. Obama's inaugural address calls for a "new era of responsibility" in the face of economic decline and a pledge to choose "hope over fear."

"We have chosen hope over fear..."



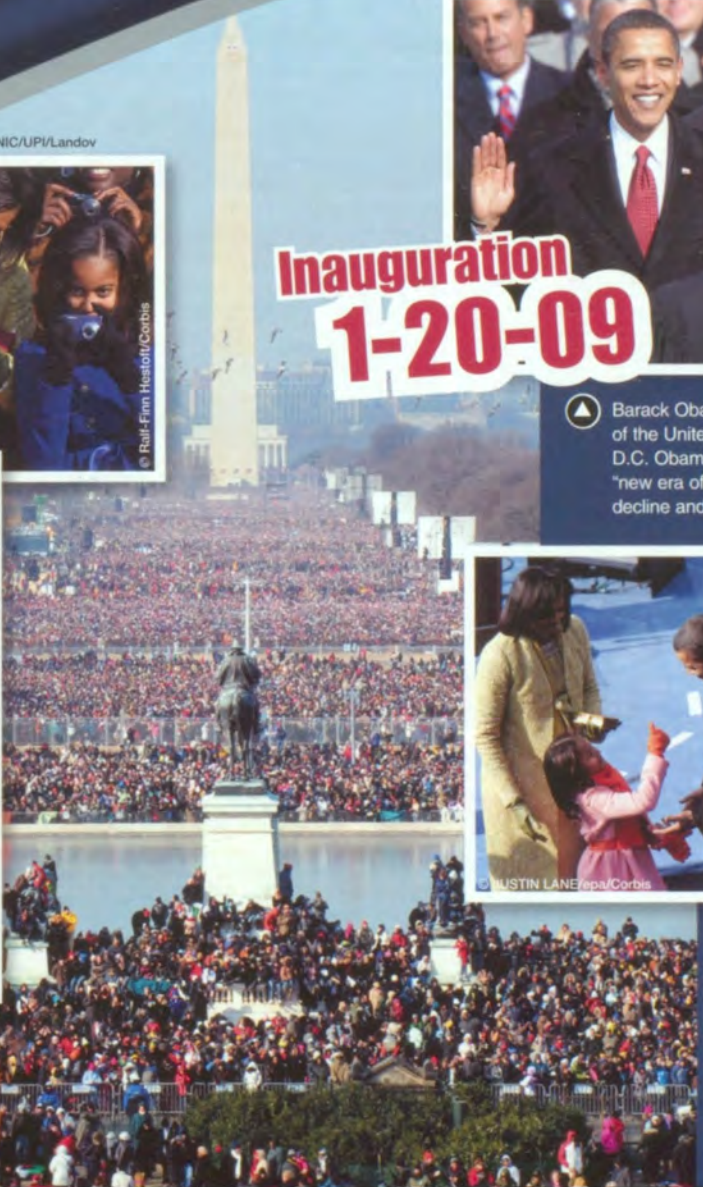
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Stocks plummet as years of excess in the U.S. housing market and lax supervision of financial institutions contribute to the greatest economic crisis since the Great Depression.



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Unemployment rate hits 16-year high in January 2009

Economic Crisis

With buying power declining in the consumer marketplace, companies nationwide are forced to lay off workers. The national unemployment rate hits 7.2 percent in December and is rising steadily. The hardest hit states are Michigan, Rhode Island, California and South Carolina.

World News



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Specialty coffee sales drop

Credit cards

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Housing Foreclosures



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Detroit's struggling "Big Three" automakers, General Motors, Ford and Chrysler, request and are eventually offered a bailout package of just over \$17 billion in December.



GOING OUT OF BUSINESS

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Many retailers are forced to file for bankruptcy or go out of business after being unable to rebound from the harsh economy and a very disappointing fourth quarter of 2008.

Teens work part-time

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Gas prices up and down

MIKE BLAKE/Reuters/Landov



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The world's "hot spots" center around the Middle East. Israel mounts a major offensive against Hamas in Gaza, the United States continues to oppose the Taliban in Afghanistan and insurgents in Iraq, and in August, Russia attacks its southern neighbor, Georgia, in a dispute over western influence in the area.



Support our Troops

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"Miracle on the Hudson"

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In January 2009, after both engines fail due to ingesting birds, US Airways Flight 1549 ditches in New York's Hudson River. All 155 passengers and crew members are saved, thanks to the skill and courage of pilot Chesley B. "Sully" Sullenberger.





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Tight money and high gas prices push auto manufacturers to investigate super fuel-efficient and electric cars. The Chevrolet Volt is an early contender and the tiny "Smart" car is already on American roads.



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Chevy Volt

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Public bicycle sharing systems, already popular in Europe, roll into American cities like Washington, D.C., to help fight traffic congestion and reduce pollution.



CLEAN ENERGY

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▶ In September, Google and General Electric partner to develop clean technologies. Modernizing the national electric grid to enable wider deployment of wind, solar and geothermal energy will be an early priority.



Environmentally friendly MacBooks

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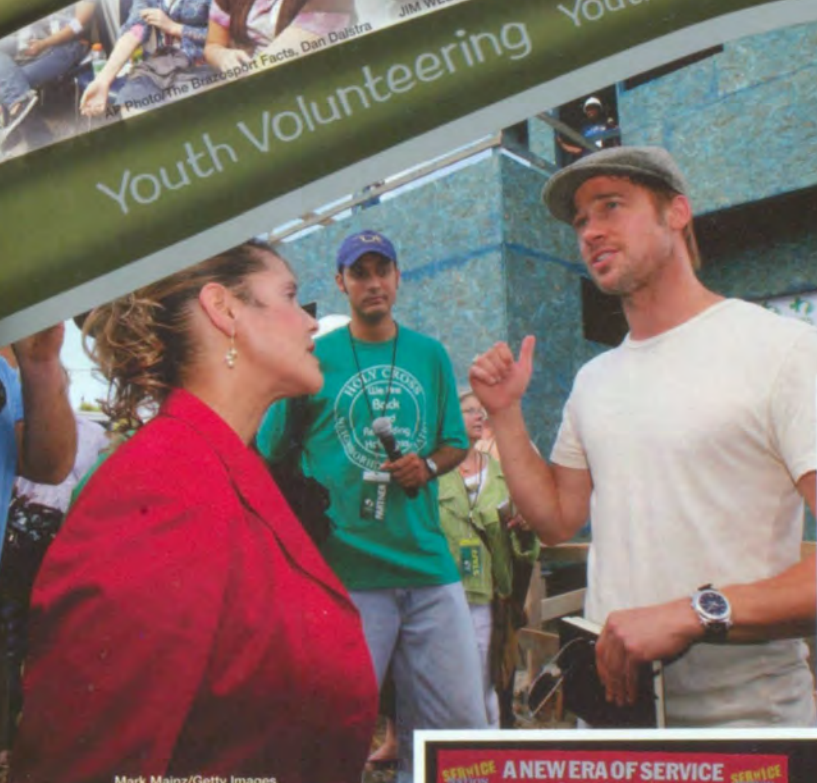
Youth Volunteering Youth Volunteering



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▶ The green cleaning movement gains momentum nationally as environmentally safe non-toxic cleaning products are used in many homes, as well as state and city institutions.



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▶ Brad Pitt launches the "Make It Right" project to build 150 green-sensitive new homes in the New Orleans Lower 9th Ward, which was destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. Pitt contributes \$5 million to the project.



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National Day of Service

▶ President-elect Obama asks all Americans to volunteer their time on the 2009 Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service, January 19, and to continue throughout the year. More than 12,000 service projects take place across the country.

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Summer Olympics

The Beijing 2008 Summer Olympics showcase some of the most amazing performances in Olympic history.

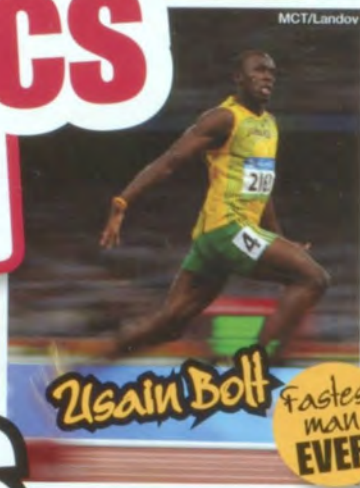
Sports

▲ American swimmer Michael Phelps makes Olympic history with eight gold medals. Phelps sets three world records in his five individual wins.

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Usain Bolt Fastest man EVER!

The Olympic Opening Ceremony

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Cristiano Ronaldo



Tiger Woods

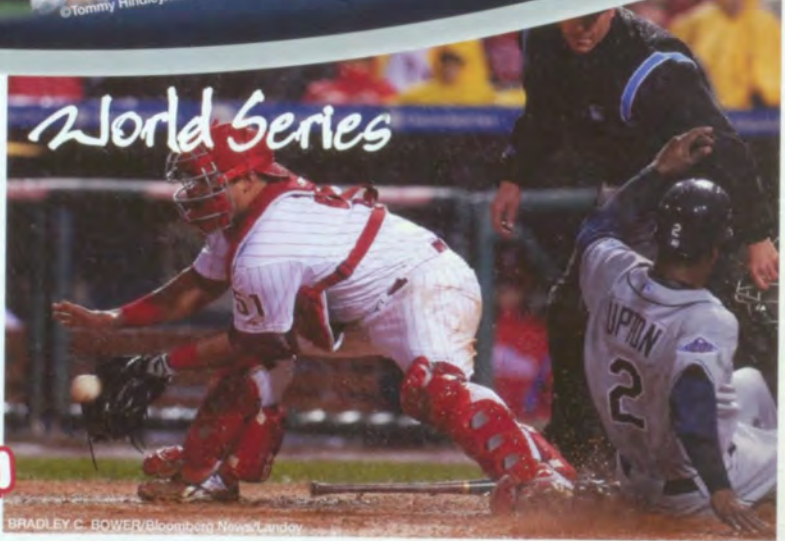
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World Series



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Red Wings win 2008 Stanley Cup

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▲ The Philadelphia Phillies win their second World Series with a five game victory over the Tampa Bay Rays. The fifth game takes three days to complete after a rain delay.



◀ The Chinese gymnasts take the team title, but Americans Shawn Johnson (floor exercise) and Nastia Liukin (all-around) take individual gold medals for the U.S.

Gymnastics



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Heisman Trophy winner Sam Bradford



BCS National Championship MVP Tim Tebow

Pádraig Harrington



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Venus and Serena Williams



Brock Lesnar

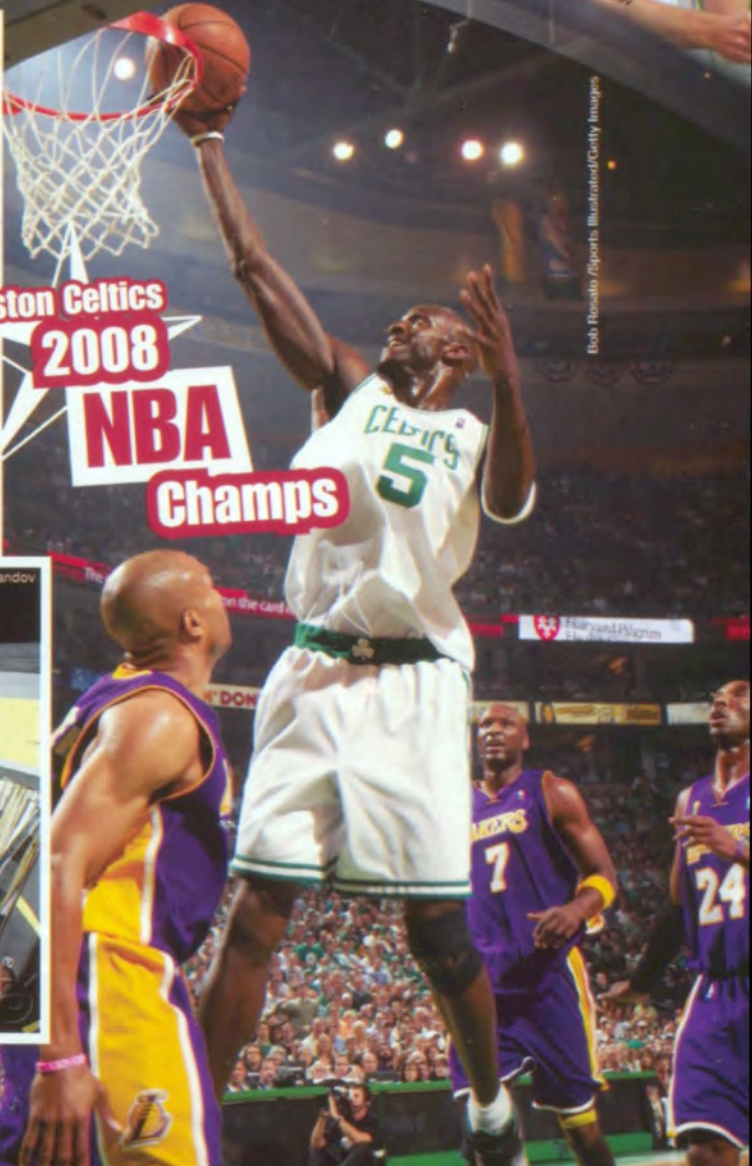
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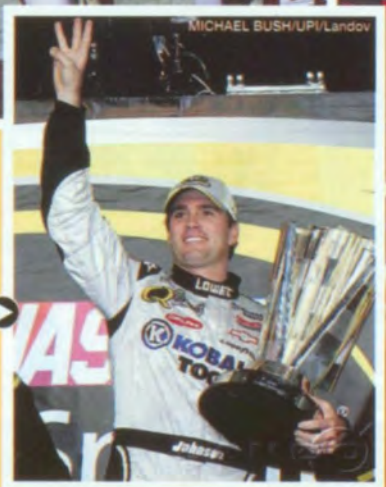
Super Bowl XLIII

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Boston Celtics 2008 NBA Champs



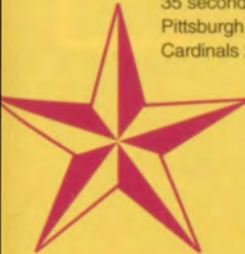
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▶ MVP Santonio Holmes makes a tip-toe catch in the corner of the end zone with 35 seconds remaining to lead the Pittsburgh Steelers past the Arizona Cardinals 27-23 in Super Bowl XLIII.

Jimmie Johnson captures the NASCAR Sprint Cup championship for the third straight year in his famous #48 Lowe's Chevrolet Impala SS.





Stephenie Meyer's runaway best-seller, *Twilight*, becomes a hit movie starring Robert Pattinson and Kristen Stewart as Edward and Bella.



Tina Fey



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Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist

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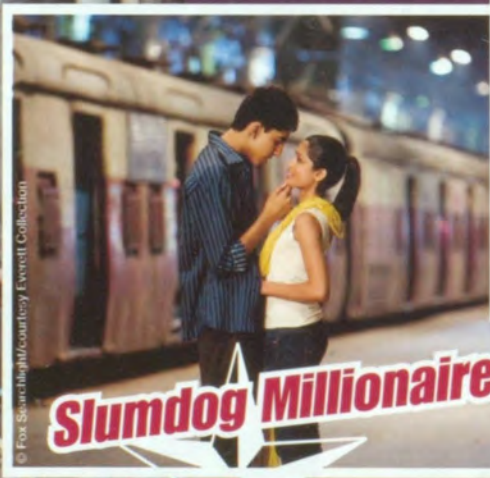
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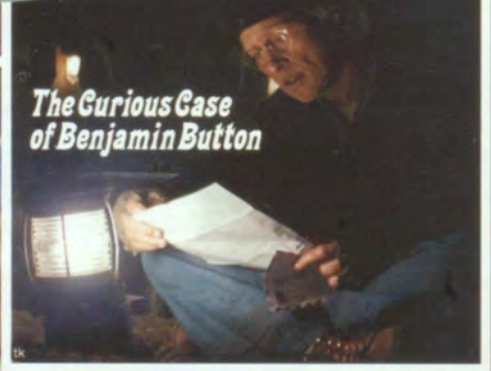
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Slumdog Millionaire

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The Curious Case of Benjamin Button

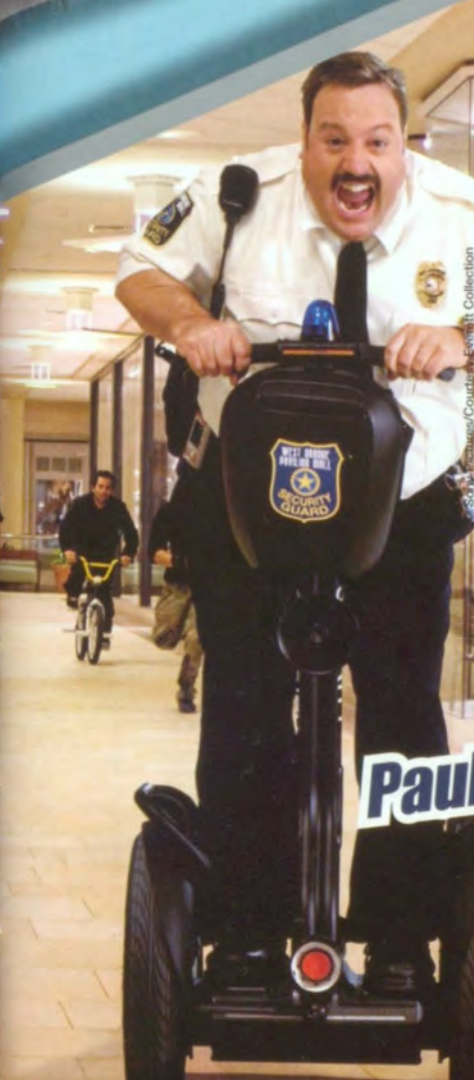
Slumdog Millionaire, a surprise entry from India about teen life in Mumbai, and Brad Pitt's *The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*, about a man who ages backwards, monopolize Academy Award nominations with a combined total of 23.





MTV/Jeff Lipsky

▶ MTV spins off the reality show *The Hills*, following Laguna Beach star Lauren Conrad and her friends to Los Angeles.



Paul Blart: Mall Cop



▶ Australian Heath Ledger, in his last film role as the Joker in the Batman epic *The Dark Knight*, wins a posthumous Golden Globe for Best Supporting Actor in a Drama.

Bedtime Stories



▶ Rapper Lil' Wayne takes home four Grammys, including Rap Album of the Year for *Tha Carter III* and Best Rap Song.

MTV



AP Photo/Peter Kramer

Lil' Wayne

▶ Due to low ratings, MTV's flagship show *Total Request Live* shuts-down in November after a 10-year run.

Music



Jordin Sparks

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Bon Jovi

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Leona Lewis

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Fall Out Boy

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▶ Britney Spears rebounds from years of personal challenges with her fifth No.1 album, *Circus*. She becomes the only act in Nielsen SoundScan history to have four albums that debut with 500,000 or more copies sold.



Ne-Yo

▶ R&B singer/songwriter Ne-Yo brings out his third album, *Year of the Gentleman*, which debuts on the *Billboard* 200 at No.2. The album garners six Grammy nominations.



Beyonce

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▶ The video for Will.i.am's song "Yes We Can" gamers more than 1.3 million hits on YouTube and becomes an anthem for young voters during the presidential campaign.

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Classic Rock

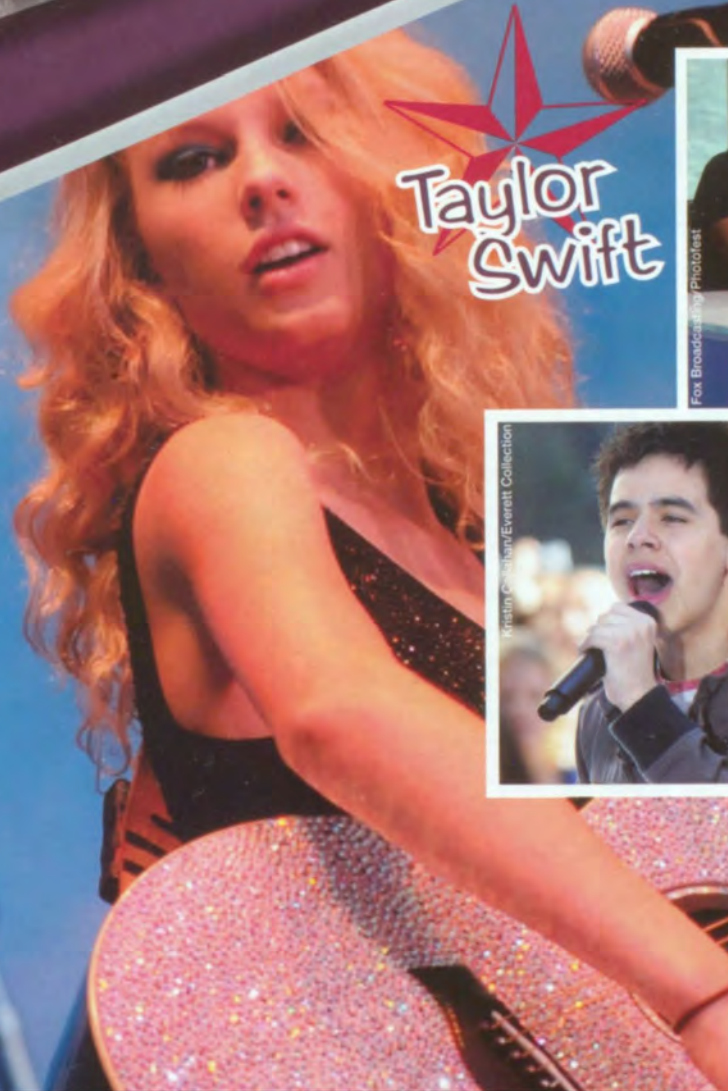


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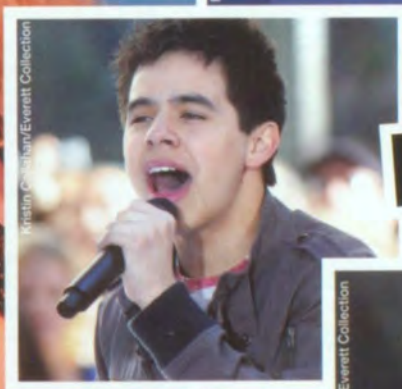
▶ Fox's *American Idol* adds a fourth judge to the popular show. Grammy-nominated songwriter Kara DioGuardi joins regular panelists Randy Jackson, Paula Abdul and Simon Cowell.



Taylor Swift



Fox Broadcasting Photofest



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David vs. David



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▶ Rocker David Cook, with 58 percent of the fan votes, beats balladeer David Archuleta in the 2008 finals of Fox's *American Idol*.

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Texting becomes the new writing. Teens everywhere learn to double-thumb miniature keyboards and invent a new language of abbreviations and signs.

Social Networking



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Digital TV

The nation converts to all-digital TV in 2009. The Department of Commerce offers government coupons to make the conversion more affordable.

Lifestyle

Slippers to wear every day



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Big Sunglasses

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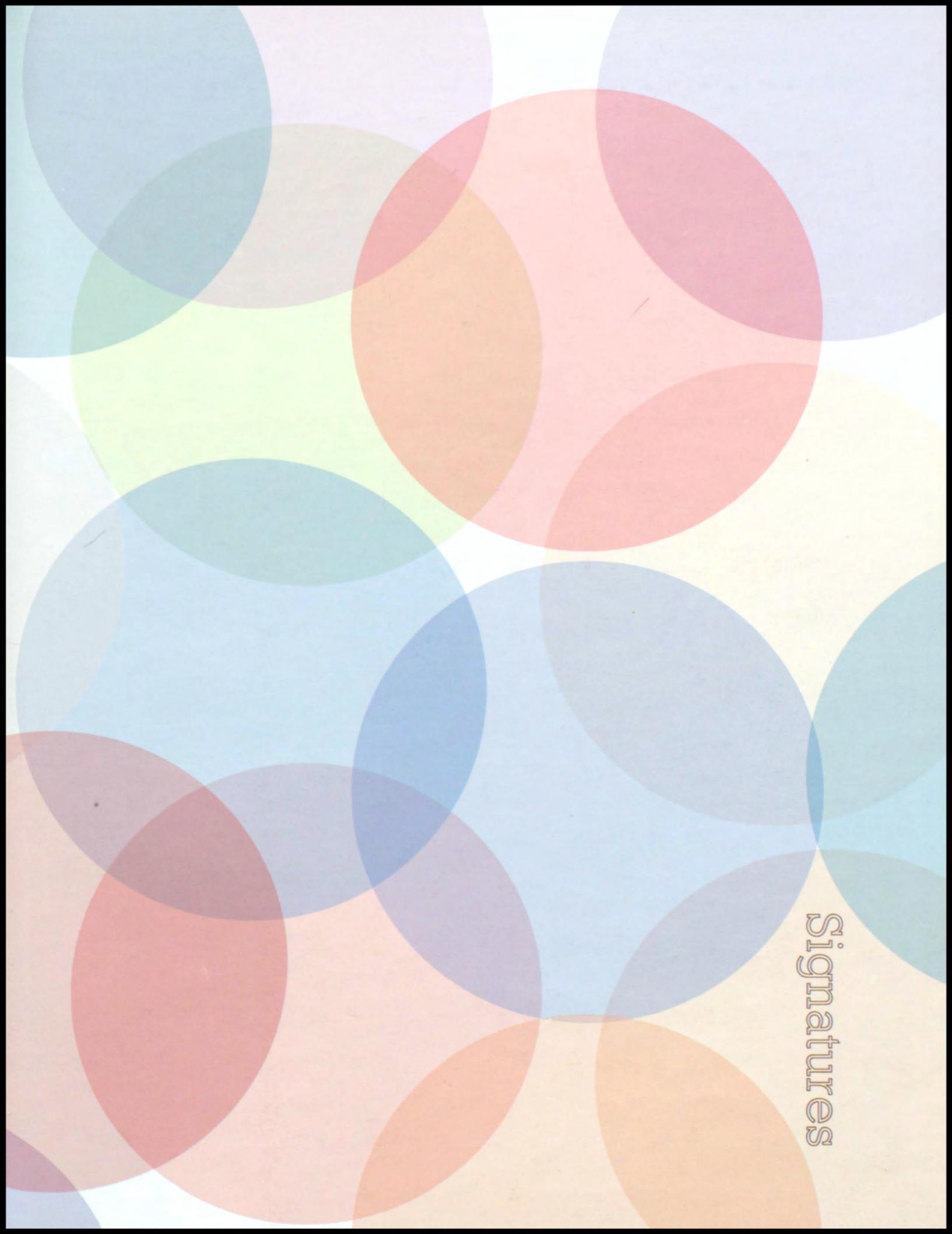
Top style trends this year include baggy pants, oversized sunglasses, designer purses, black nail polish and plaids.

Black Nail Polish

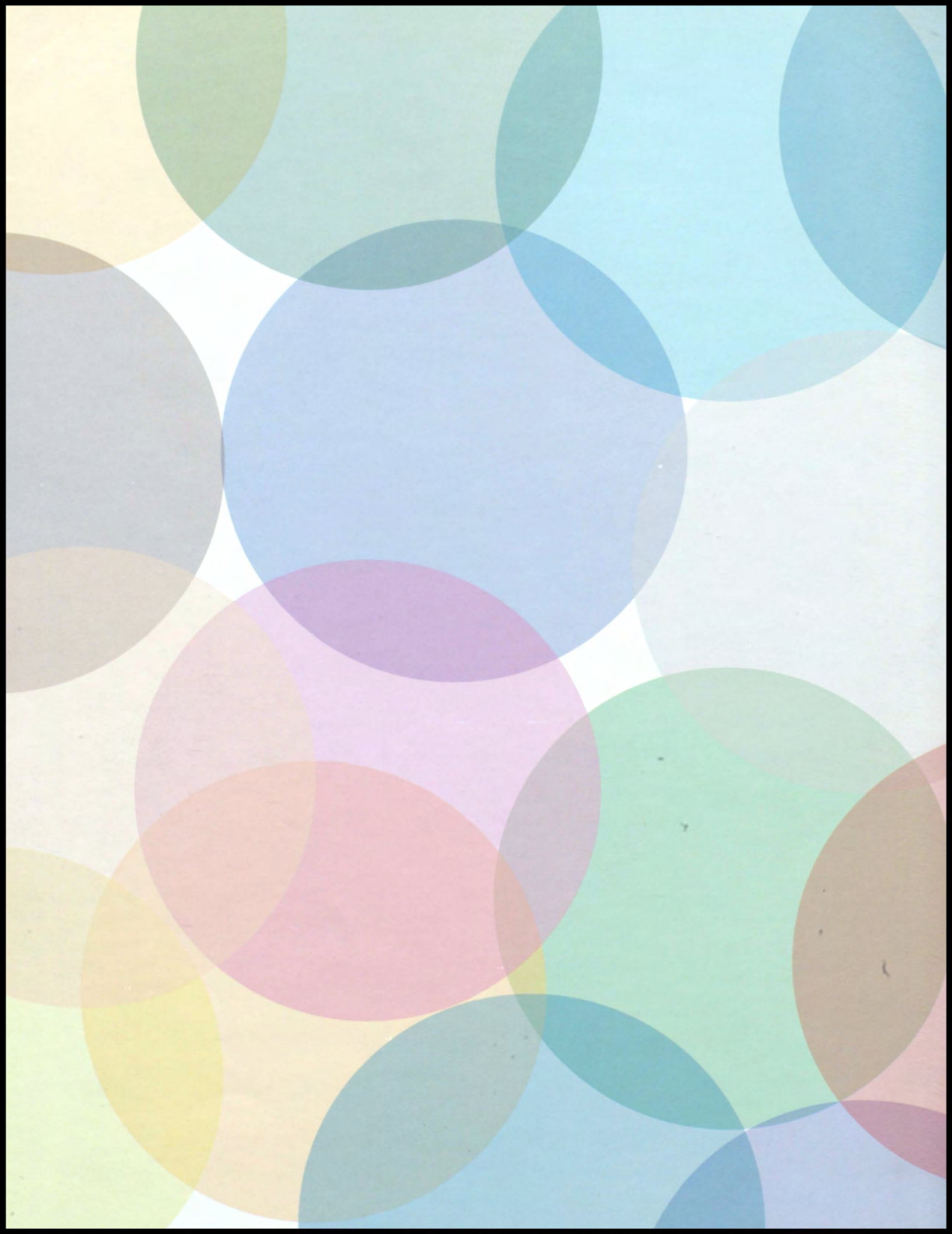


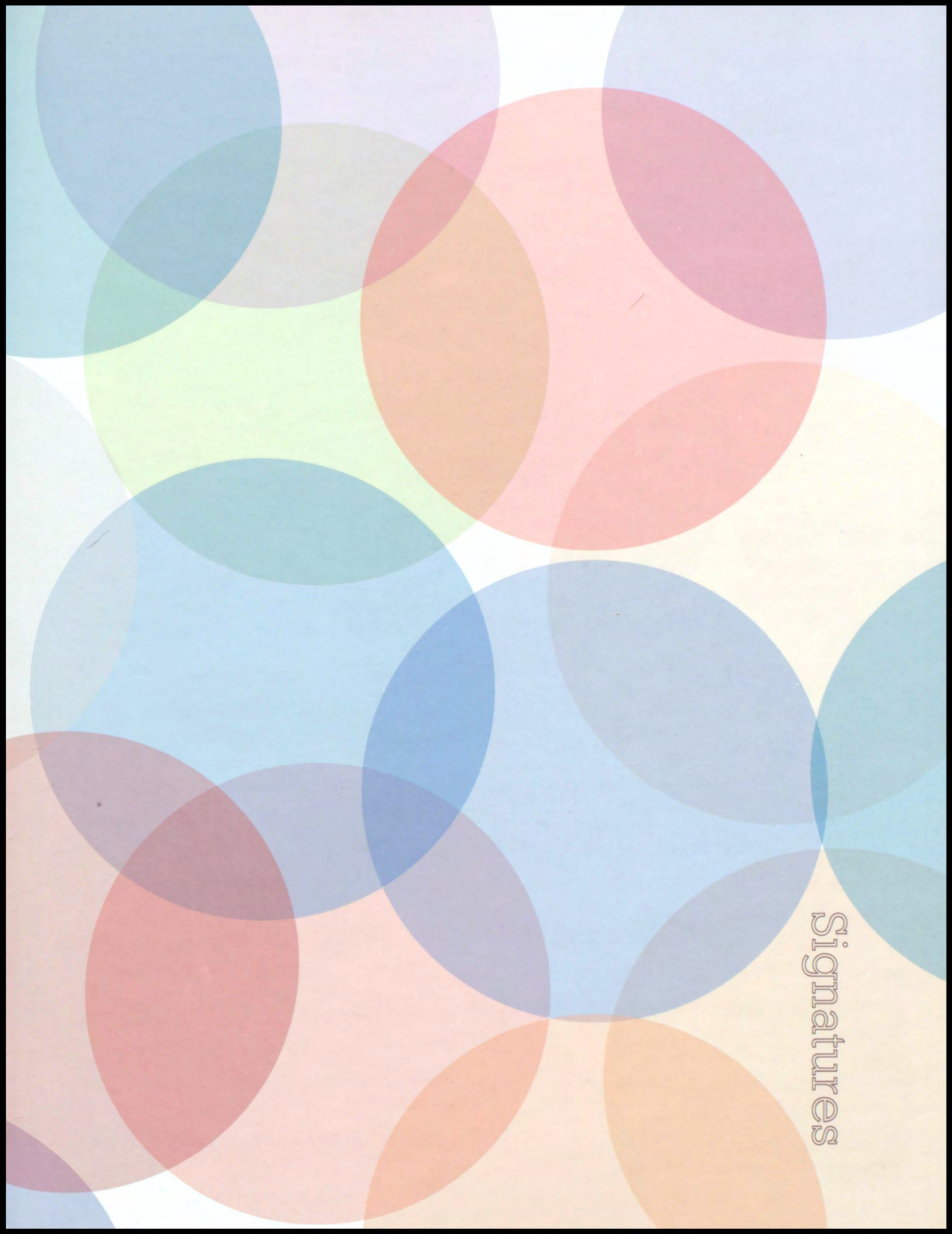
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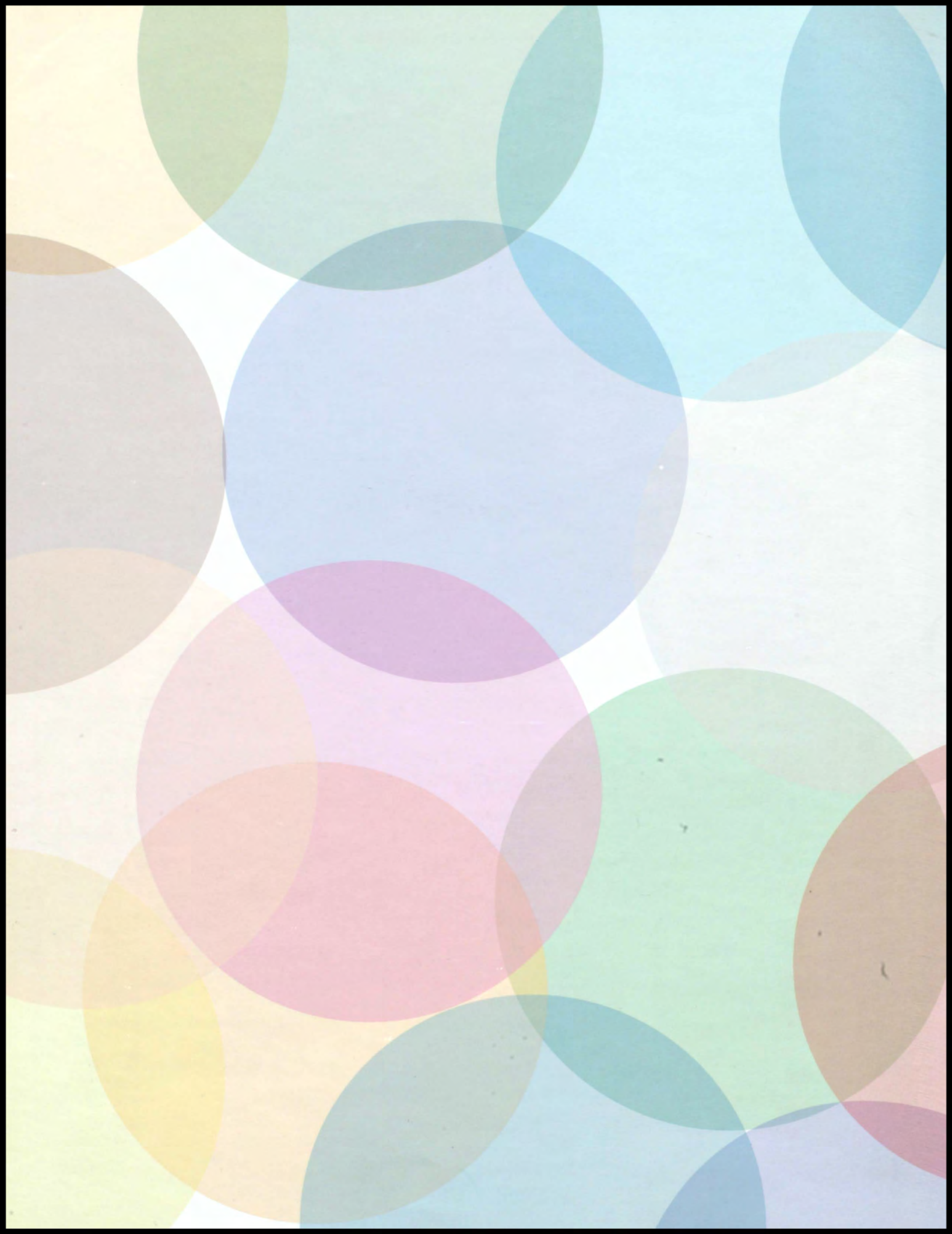


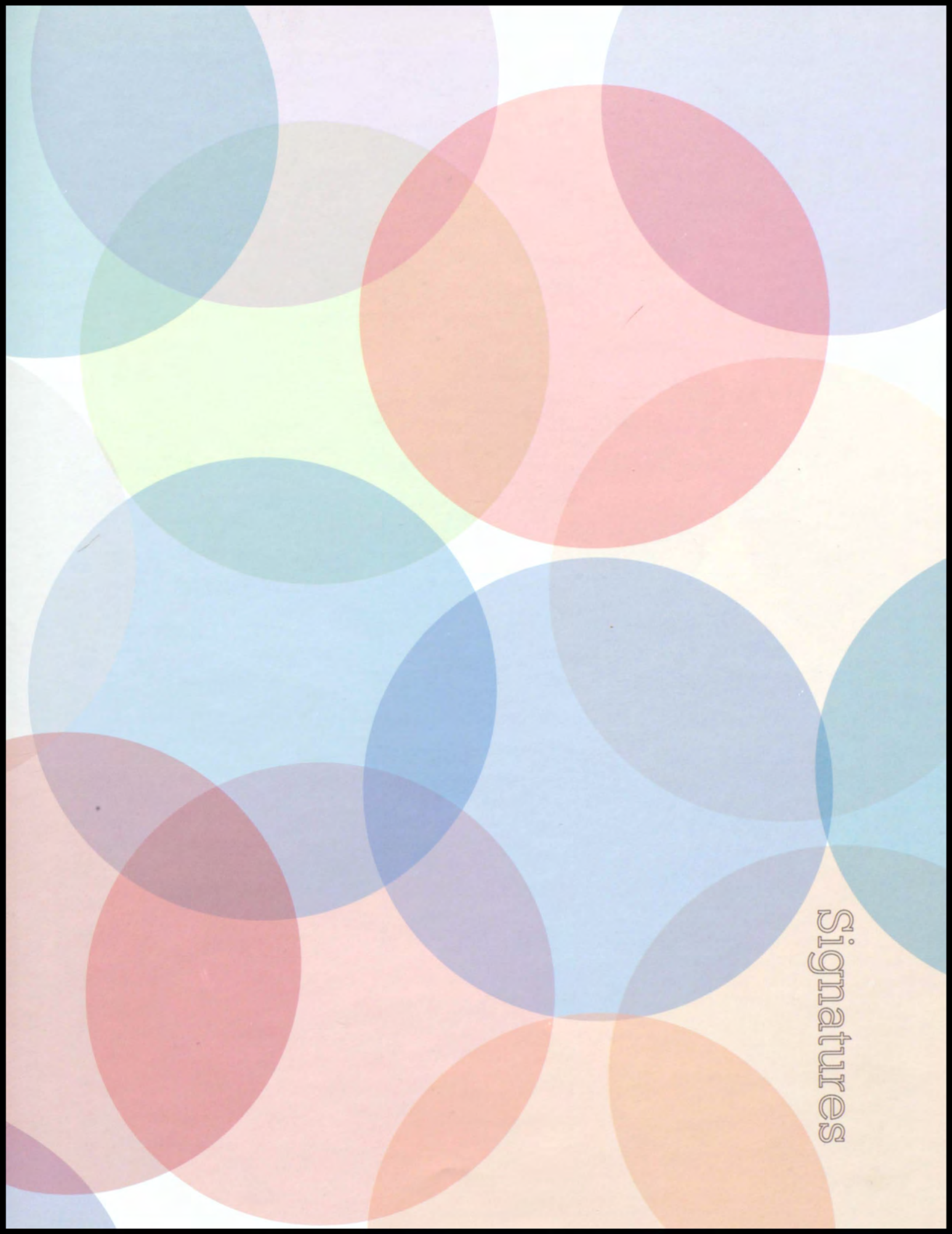
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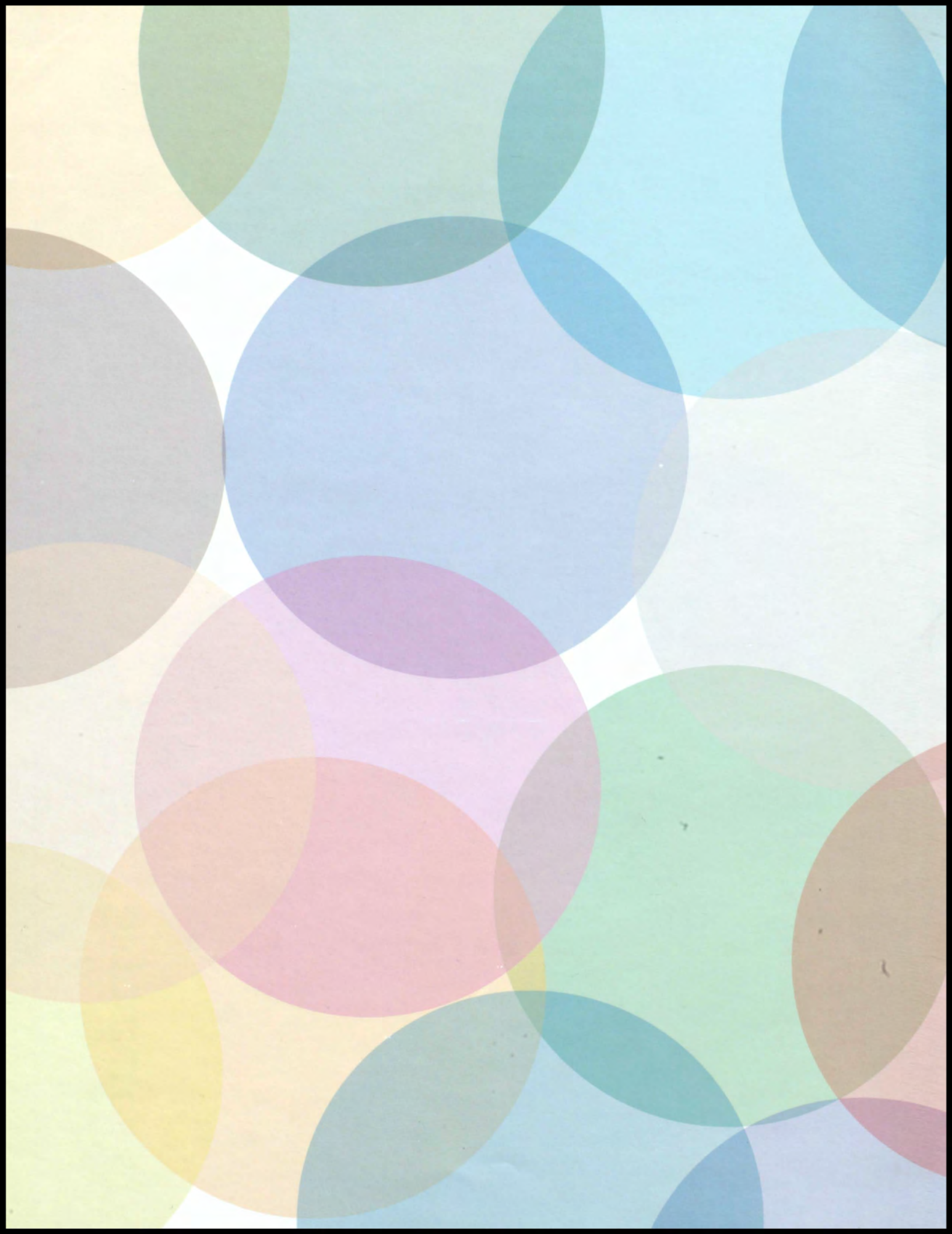


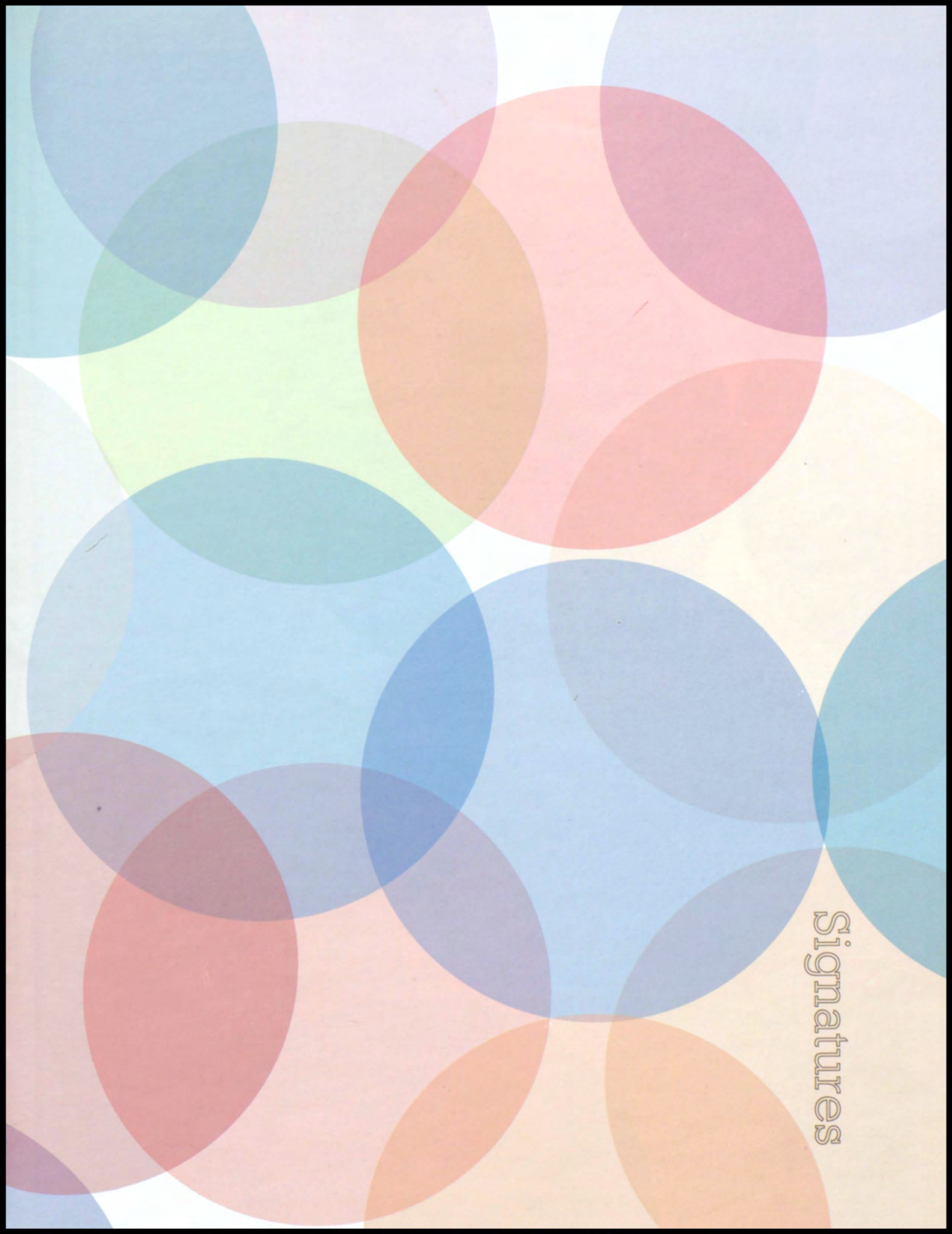
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