How did WE survive?

High school. So many memories. These are the best years of our lives. Years that we can never forget. Some people believed that this year could have been our last. It was predicted by the Mayan Calendar that the world was to end on December 21, 2012.

This yearbook's theme represents that not only did we survive 2012-13, but we survived the teachers, classes, and classmates. We survived tests, quizzes, finals, and even senior project. We survived drama, A.R., school lunches, concession stands, new teachers, state testing, weights, dissections, decorating for prom, zombie apocalypse games, and putting out a yearbook with only five people on the yearbook staff. We survived a 10-class block schedule for 169 days, another year at Doniphan West High School. So when you flip through the pages, remember that this was the year we survived the end of the world, and this was the year that we made it count.
What was your favorite part of the year?

"My favorite part of the year was when two girls got in a cat fight at lunch!"
- Carla Cahue, sophomore

"When Joey Edie got his cell phone number put up on Craigslist by some of his friends and people kept calling and texting him asking for iPhones."
- Justin Clark, freshman

"My favorite part of the year was probably meeting the new friends that I have now."
- Billie Modlin, sophomore

"So this one time in journalism class, I drew the worst picture ever, and it got first place and went to state."
- Macee Scott, junior

"Being part of as much as I could my senior year. I tried to make as much out of my last year here as I could. I am glad to be out of here with the ability to look back in a positive way."
- Austin Ricklefs, senior
Freshmen enjoy WDC trip in June 2012

Over the summer of 2012, the class of 2015 went on a trip to Washington D.C., an optional trip that happens every two years. The seventh and eighth grade students earn money for two years in order to fly and take buses to Washington D.C., where they visit many historical sites. Fifteen of this year’s freshmen attended this trip.

Their journey began on an early Monday morning. All decked out in matching t-shirts at 2:45 a.m., they boarded a bus and headed to the Kansas City Airport. After landing, their mode of transportation was the “All About Town” bus for the rest of the way.

The group of students visited many historical places like Mount Vernon Plantation, Capitol Hill, Colonial Williamsburg, the Jamestown Settlement and Jamestown Islands, and many more cool places. Students claim that the trip was lots of fun and a great learning experience.

"It was fun, and educational. My favorite part was sitting next to a homeless man in WDC."
- Hunter Idol, freshman
Sweet summertime: We can't wait for it to begin, and we never want it to end. But we have to make time for school somewhere, right? These are some pictures of students showing where they went and what they did over the summer of 2012.

Junior Allen Dorrell and his heifer Eve placed third in a class of 12 heifers in Jr. Nationals.

Sophomore Mackenzie Boos and senior Aisha Diveley enjoy the beauty of South Dakota on a church camp trip.

Senior Laura Rush collects seashells as she walks along Myrtle Beach in South Carolina.

Freshman Lexie Whetstone, sophomore Alyssa Simmons, and senior Alexis Simmons went boating with a friend from Troy, Kallie Koehler, junior.

Freshman Chelsea Cluck and senior BreAnne Caudle went boating at the Ozarks over the summer.

Freshman Chelsea Cluck and senior BreAnne Caudle went boating at the Ozarks over the summer.


Junior Kyleigh Edie went ziplining at Devil's Thumb Ranch in Colorado on a church camp trip.

Junior Megan Green rode in a helicopter during her trip at the Ozarks.

Houston Cluck, freshman, survived a near disaster while on wheat harvest with Doug Cluck. The hitch on the grain cart he was driving broke and the wheat spilled everywhere.
Juniors Brielle Clary and Jessica Wood stand next to a metal sculpture at HCC Art Day.

Senior Maddi Libel is a model for Austin Ricklef as he practices a short depth of field for a photography scavenger hunt in journalism.

Juniors Brielle Clary and Jessica Wood stand next to a metal sculpture at HCC Art Day.

Sentor Maddi Ubel is a model for Austin Ricklef as he practices a short depth of field for a photography scavenger hunt in journalism.

Sophomore Kayla Cook and freshman Andy Hughes show their excitement for their forenics meet, where they competed in IDA or Improvised Duet Acting.

Freshman Ian Nazum shows off his attributes that would make him desirable to be sold in the FFA Work Auction at Barnwarming.
Surprised by the flash of the camera, seniors Maggie Johnson, Luke Twombly, and BreAnne Caudle show their best faces to capture the moment.

Juniors Abbi Ellis and Kim Elliott show off their freshly tied, ties that they learned how to tie in Mara Taylor's seminar.

Sophomore Regan Gibson uses her skills of being tall to fight off a short, but fierce junior, Macee Scott, for a story they wrote about height for the school newspaper.

Sophomore Brandon Caudle opens up a good book to pass the time he has left in his computer class.

Freshmen Malia Smith and Chelsea Cluck practice their duet for their forensics meet.

Junior Chris Tygret shows off his sweet ninja moves.

People

Sophomores

Juniors

Seniors

Faculty

Staff
"My first year at DWHS has been fun. My favorite memories include making the Powder Puff Teacher Video, especially the part where Mrs. Cluck hits my helmet and then yells and danced around in pain."

- Melissa Crawford

Superteachers Grusenmeyer, Cluck, Crawford, Lanter, and Taylor show off their school spirit by dressing up during homecoming week.

Doug Johnson, Galen Weiland, Brad Gilmore, Thomas Albers, John Whetstone, and Gary Dorrell represent the Doniphan West board members. Not pictured: Scott Twombly

Blanton, Linda - cook
Bollinger, Rex - Supt. & physics
Cluck, Bethany - science
Crawford, Melissa - business/comp.
Davis, Amy - paraprofessional
Ellis, Matt - success lab

Lackey, Chris - principal, AD
Lanter, Bailey - social studies
Lock, Kristin - English, sr. proj.
Nichols, Cathy - College English
Pickman, Kathleen - secretary
Mace, Rolland - paraprofessional

Simmons, Sandy - library assistant
Speer, Julie - paraprofessional
Stroud, Curtis - vocal & instrumental
Swendsen, Carl - math
Taylor, Marla - English, journalism
Thornton, Stanley - art
Below: A group of competitive teachers huddle to discuss their game plan for the Powder Puff Football game played during homecoming week.

Elmer Schmitz helps Ian Crandall bend metal for a shop project.

Above: Spanish teacher Juan Huertas shows off his new wife by bringing her to school for a day.

Marla Taylor, Bailey Lanter, Bethany Cluck, Melissa Crawford, and Molly Grusenmeyer gather in their ugly sweaters for a Christmas picture.

Forensics coach and art teacher Stanley Thornton has some down time at a forensics competition with Aisha Diveley, Andy Hughes, and Kayla Cook.

"Today is Friday, which means it's Cash Friday. And the winner is..."

- Chris Lackey, principal
WE ... are the seniors

Austin Ricklefs, vice president

Not afraid to be late because of sleep

Derek Gibson

Gabrielle Speer

The Poster Athletes

Jordan Sellers

Ruby Rhodd, president

Worst Case of Senioritis

Jordan Cluck
"I enjoyed being able to sit together at lunch with almost my whole class! Made for some interesting conversations!" - BreAnne Caudle

The Best Laughs

The Stunning Good Looks

Winning ALL the Prize Money
"Get In, we're going shopping!"

Quietly become a world leader

Alexis Simmons
BreAnne Caudle treasurer
Margaret Johnson
Food Thieves
Kassiday Blevins secretary
Cheyenne Murphy
Kevin Elliott
"Looking back through the last four years, it's amazing to see how much everyone has grown up and become the young adults that are about to get thrown into the real world."

- Aisha Diveley

Founders of the next gold rush

Pokemon Masters

Happy come rain or shine

Class motto: "When we look back, we remember the good times, but the difficulties we faced were what prepared us for today."

Colors: gold and teal

Flower: daisy
Regardless of the obstacles that got in our way, our class worked very well together this year. We won first place in the float contest, and prom was a big success. I'm proud of our accomplishments, and that we did it together. We had an awesome year."

- Narissa Elrod, junior class president
Juniors Abbi Ellis, Chris Tygret, and Narissa Elrod bring out their inner "gangsta" on gangsta day for the dress-up days during homecoming week.

Juniors Scotti Twombly and Meghan Larson traveled to the Humane Society in Atchison to visit the animals that they had raised money for with their "Minute to Win It" fundraiser put on by their CCC class.

Juniors Trevor Fee and Taylor Sullivan check out some seasonal items and other trinkets as they stop by Claire's in the East Hills Mall in St. Joseph, MO with Kyleigh Edie, junior.

Payton Leach
Alan Lemke
Jessica Neibling
Luke Rush
Macee Scott

Katie Smith
Madison Smith
Taylor Sullivan
Scotti Twombly
Chris Tygret

Julie Vanderschmidt
Adam Wilmes
Jessica Wood
"It was so much harder than freshman year because we had hard classes like World History, Biology, and Computer Apps."

- Mackenzie Boos
Brandon Caudle and Tynan Bollinger play an aggressive game of dodgeball at the Kick Butts tournament in St. Joseph. Their team was named Don't be an Ashhole.

Carla Cahue, Bailey Boos, Mackenzie Boos, Regan Gibson and Leah Johnson sit in a group to cheer for the sophomore boys playing volleyball on Friday of Homecoming Week.

Alyssa Simmons, Jeffrey Watts, Leah Johnson, Mackenzie Boos, Kylee Powell, Brandon Caudle, and Tynan Bollinger enjoy an afternoon of bowling in St Joe. The sophomores who earned the required points for working in the concession stand throughout the year were rewarded with this trip in May. They also had lunch at 5 Guys. Regan Gibson also attended the bowling trip.
"Freshman year was a lot different than middle school, but way more fun. We had great upperclassmen that made the year one for the memory books."

- Lane Spiker
Freshman take a break from their school tour on orientation day by posing with their leaders and showing their excellent Hula skills.

Nicholas Buster is up on the hay bales, ready to be sold for the FFA work auction during Barnwarming.

Malia Smith and Joey Edie snap a picture before their foxy friend Chelsea Cluck gets on stage for the spring play.

Cori Pottorf applies mascara while applying the final touches for her dwarf make up in the play Snow White.

On orientation day the freshman show off their ninja skills and sport ninja masks.

Taylor, Austin Vonderschmidt, John Whetstone, Lexie

Daniel Hutchinson constructs his coil pot in Art 1.

Joey Edie uses all of his strength to hurl a pumpkin during a Friday Homecoming activity.

Nuzzum, Ian Pottorf, Cori Robinson, Aubree Smith, Cory Smith, Malia Spiker, Lane

Andy Hughes and Casey Billups work together on an art project in Art 1.
Left: Sophomore Kayla Cook has yet to learn how to ride a bike, but she hopes that her future husband will teach her.

Right: Billie Modlin, sophomore, is unique because she balances her high school life and mothering her very energetic 2 year old son, Jeremy.

The "We...are unique" page is for students and teachers who feel that their talent either goes unappreciated or they want to show it off.

Scotti Twombly, junior, is unique because she can walk on her knuckles of her toes. She hopes that one day she will not get arthritis in her toes.

Freshman Jeffrey Clevenger is double jointed in his shoulders and can wrap his shoulders back.

Freshman Cori Pottorf has a very unique style of clothing. She hopes to be an idol for all celebrities around the world for better style of clothing.

Macee Scott, junior, will eat and eat and will never get full. She hopes that in the future that with this she will never ever get fat.
Alan Lemke, junior, hopes that one day he will be able to make Guinness World Records book for longest mullet.

Bottom: Trevor Fee, junior, can walk on his hands and hopes that one day he can have the fastest 40 yard sprint on his hands.

Right: Bailey Lanter is the juggling history teacher. She hopes to use her retirement to really showcase her skills by joining a traveling circus and make the big bucks.

Left: Payton Leach and Madison Smith, juniors, hope that one day they won't suffocate themselves with their own tongues.

Ruby Rhodd, senior, is a princess for the loway tribe. She is unique because she can balance her royalty and her popularity at school.

Right: Freshman Andy Hughes hopes that one day he will be able to become a professional sketch artist.

Brittanie Langley, freshman, has two nails on one toe. She hopes that one day it will turn into a webbed toe so she can swim better.

Cory Smith, freshman, raises and shows goats. She hopes that one day she will go to the Kansas State Fair and win.
Sophomore Kylee Powell gives her family a look as they keep bidding on her during the FFA work auction.

Senior Kevin Elliott shows off his Christmas spirit by wrapping himself in Christmas lights while decorating the computer lab.

During choir class senior Kylee Keehn plays the piano.

Ian Nuzum, Andy Hughes, Elayne Clevenger, and Malia Smith work as a team during a scholars bowl meet.

WE Survived ...
Senior Austin Ricklefs takes a picture for the journalism photo scavenger hunt.

Junior Kyleigh Edie works on her painting during art class.

Abby Fee, Laura Rush, and Aisha Diveley work as a team to finish their ceiling tile during DVL Art Day.

Junior Brielle Clary lights her candle to become inducted into the National Honor Society.

Juniors Megan Green and Elizabeth Courtin put their design on the finger painting poster that their Parenting class hung out in the hallway for everyone to see.

During freshman orientation principal Chris Lackey and Link Leader members do a warm up exercise with the new freshman.

Classes & Groups

English  Link Leaders  Choir  Journalism  Art  Chess Club
STUCO  Art and Drama Club  Strength and Speed  Science

Ten Classes  Clubs  History  Scholars Bowl  The First Day
We use language every time we talk or write. This makes language classes very important. It is a requirement to have four years of language at Doniphan West. For the Regents Curriculum, it is also a requirement to take a foreign language class as well. Language classes offered included English, Spanish, and American Sign Language.

In order to graduate students must complete a senior project, which consists of several different parts. The seniors must first pick the topic to research. It is always wise for students to pick a topic that they find interesting. This year in senior project they were asked to do a report paper, newsletter, original research, demonstration of knowledge, and a 20-minute speech.

At some points it was a stressful struggle for the seniors but at the end of the year they survived.

Lane Spiker and Garret Dunlap, freshmen, search the non-fiction section for an AR book.

Abbi Ellis and Elyane Clevenger sip tea and discuss a chapter in To Kill a Mockingbird for English III.

Junior Samantha Albers is excited to eat her collection of candy in Spanish class.

Freshman Justin Clark and junior Luke Rush have a little fun with sombreros in Juan Huertas' classroom.

Juniors Payton Leach, Allen Dorrell, Julie Vonderschmidt, and Jessica Neibling sip tea and eat pastries as they discuss a chapter about gossiping ladies and their hypocrisy in the novel To Kill a Mockingbird.
"I did my senior project on Oncology Nursing. Throughout Senior Project it was a long road, but in the end it was well worth it."

- Maddi Libel, senior
Two new teachers, Bethany Cluck and Rex Bollinger, took over the science department this year. Bollinger, the district superintendent, taught Physics, while Cluck taught Physical Science, Biology I and II, Chemistry, and Human Anatomy/Physiology.

Cluck kept her classes involved with labs, note taking, and many hands-on activities. "My favorite experiment was with the freshmen doing the Law of Conservation of Mass," she said. "They had a lot of good ideas. I also really enjoyed the dissections of the cow bones and pig hearts in Human Anatomy.

Continuing to teach the math classes were Troy Hoffman, who taught Geometry and Algebra I, and Carl Swendsen, who taught Algebra II, Geometry, Calculus, and dual credit Advanced Math/Trigonometry. In addition to Hoffman and Swendsen, Juan Huertas also taught Algebra I.

Math teacher Carl Swendsen teaches the daily Algebra II lesson to Brielle Clary, Payton Leach, Regan Gibson, Brandon Caudle, Jessica Neibling, and Carla Cahue.

Sophomore Brandon Caudle does some homework for Algebra II, which was taught by Carl Swendsen.

Freshmen Joey Edie and Casey Billups collaborate on an Algebra assignment in Troy Hoffman's class.

Jacob Goodman, freshman, gets some assistance on Algebra from teacher Troy Hoffman.
"Studying for the science tests was challenging, but I made it through with flying colors with Kim Elliott by my side... even though she wasn't even in my science class."

- Kayla Cook, sophomore

Cheyenne Murphy, Emily Franken, Jessica Neibling, and Julie Vonderschmidt take a look at the chambers of a pig's heart during an Anatomy unit about the circulatory system. "Dissecting was one of the best days in Anatomy," Vonderschmidt said.

Senior Abby Fee and junior Samantha Albers dispose of the pig heart they dissected during Anatomy.

Freshmen Jeffrey Cleveenger and Ian Nuzum study the periodic table of elements during General Science.

Science teacher Bethany Cluck explains the properties of electrons to junior Jessica Neibling.
Social Studies classes, taught by Bailey Lanter, and Family and Consumer Sciences classes, taught by Molly Grusenmeyer, gave students an outlook on not only the past and the future, but also the present and the reality all around them.

Classes offered by Lanter included American Civil War, American Government, World Geography, History Through Film, American History, and World History.

"In order to gain a better understanding of where we are headed as a group of people, country, or world we must first understand where we have come from; hopefully by taking American and World History students gain that knowledge.

As for the other social studies classes, "I believe they help students learn about the world around them; social, economic, and political interaction between the peoples and countries of the world," Lanter said. FACS classes included Nutrition and Wellness, Career and Life Planning, Career and Community Connections, Clothing and Textiles/Meal Management, and Parenting.

In these classes students gained knowledge on how to manage their lives from eating healthy, managing their money, or even becoming a parent.

"Parenting taught me that raising a child isn’t going to be a walk in the park, but now at least I know what I’m in for," said junior Kyleigh Edie.

FACS classes included Nutrition and Wellness, Career and Life Planning, Career and Community Connections, Clothing and Textiles/Meal Management, and Parenting.

Freshman Lane Spiker and junior Elayne Clevenger reach for pennies at the bottom of pantyhose.

Freshman Jacob Goodman swiftly stacks cups as speedily as possible.

Career and Community Connections class raises funds for Atchison Humane Society.

Freshman Katie Smith demonstrates how to make a cake in Foods class.

Junior Kyleigh Edie and sophomore Alysa Simmons help one year old Jagger Edie learn to color so they could use the information of his reactions to write an essay for Parenting.
"My favorite part about Nutrition and Wellness was when Wade Joyce had to stand up and sing "Barbie Girl" because he said the "R" word."

- Kallee Simmons, sophomore

"Westward Expansion was always interesting to me and I was surprised when I learned a lot more than I thought I would. History helps us understand where we come from and how we got to where we are today."

- Ian Bollinger, junior

"Juniors had to do an assignment where they made a paper doll to represent different people from history. "American History is a wonderful class. My favorite project was the scrapbook because it made us look at the war from a different perspective."

- Julie Vonderschmidt, junior

"In World History, sophomores learned about the Roman Empire in their textbooks. "Learning about The Roman Empire was an experience I will never forget."

- Regan Gibson, sophomore

"In American Government, seniors learned how our government works. "The major thing I learned this year in American Government was about how our government operates through the judicial system."

- BreAnne Cauley, senior

Abby Fee, Ruby Rhodd, Aaron Johnson, Kassiday Blevins, Alexis Simmons, Clarissa Billups, Kevin Elliott, Luke Twombly, Koby Scholz, Austin Ricklefs, and Elayne Cevenger participate in International Day at Maur Hill for a World Geography Trip.

Alexis Simmons, senior, participates in International Day at Maur Hill.

Freshmen Justin Clark and Joey Edie work together on American Civil War research.

Aaron Johnson and Luke Twombly, seniors, pose in some attire from out of this world.
From fundraisers to contests the FFA Chapter had both a successful and busy year.

One of the biggest fundraisers for FFA and Ag is Barnwarming and work auction. A boy and girl from each class compete in a series of competitions. This year’s candidates for the Beau and Sweetheart competition were McKenzie Blevins, Hunter Idol, Bailey Boos, Brandon Caudle, Madison Smith, Allen Dorrell, Kassiday Blevins, and Koby Scholz. After a tough night of competition freshman Hunter Idol and senior Kassiday Blevins were crowned.

During the year FFA members participated in several contests such as Ag Mechanics, Floriculture, Food Science, Dairy Foods, Nursery and Landscape, Parlaw, and Ag Sales. Many placed in these areas and brought home both plaques and metals.

There were also many members who earned their SAE and state honors.

State degrees were earned by Samantha Albers, Ian Bollinger, BreAnne Caudle, Trevor Fee, Derek Gibson, Derrick Hughes, Laura Rush, and Koby Scholz.

Seniors Clarissa Billups and Maddi Libel put together displays for all of the FFA award winners throughout the year.

Senior Abby Fee waters the greenhouse plants during Horticulture class. Students in this class would take turns watering the plants every week.

Junior Jessica Neibling rearranges plants after a successful weekend of plant sales.

Senior Koby Scholz and sophomore Ian Crandall study some common shop tools for an upcoming Ag Mechanics Competition.

Freshmen Cory Smith, Lexie Whetstone, Lane Spiker, Ian Nuzum, Nick Buster, and John Vonderschmidt show off their new shop gloves and glasses. This is the first day these freshmen were allowed in the shop.

Ag teacher Elmer Schmitz teaches his class about the tools that are in an upcoming competition.
"I enjoyed going to all the competitions throughout the year. I even got first place in Ag Sales."

- Allen Dorrell, Junior

Senior Kassidy Blevins and freshman Hunter Idol take a photo after winning Barnwarming Beau and Sweetheart competition.
After four years teaching elementary and middle school music, Curtis Stroud added high school band and choir to his schedule this year.

The band performed at football and basketball games and at winter and spring concerts, and they prepared for contest. The choir also focused on concerts and contest pieces.

For regional competition senior Amber Smith and sophomore Kayla Cook presented clarinet solos. Vocal soloists were seniors Aisha Diveley and Aaron Johnson and juniors Kim Elliott and Abbi Ellis. To make it to state competition, the musicians had to get a I or higher. At regionals Diveley and Ellis both earned Is, while Johnson and Elliott earned Is at regionals and moved on to the State competition where Johnson got a I and Elliott got a II.

Stroud said it was a great year. "The small class sizes gave many opportunities for students to stand out and show what they could really do," he said. "A highlight for choir was having two students qualify for the state contest."
Band

"I like music because it has always been in my family, and I like to sing."

- Jessica Parker, sophomore

"In a small band you are more valuable, and there are many opportunities to show your talents."

-Amber Smith, senior

"Music and singing have been in my life forever. It makes me feel better about myself, thanks to my grandma."

-Jessica Parker, sophomore

"I love that in choir I got to learn songs that I never knew and to sing my heart out to them."

-Kimberly Elliott, junior

"Choir is a chance to express yourself and have some fun. There are so many types of music out there to discover."

-Absha Diveley, senior
Art and technology classes open many doors of opportunity for students. In these courses, students learned to think outside the box a little bit and create something from their own imaginations and perspectives.

Some of the Art classes included Art I-IV, Metals & Jewelry, Art Education, and Theater/Stagecraft. These classes teach students to express themselves visually. They learn skills to use rest of their lives either in a profession or as a hobby and they gain the knowledge to create art and to communicate visually.

"I really enjoyed working with the students on their clay and metals projects. I liked anything 3-D because I myself am a sculpture [sculptor]," said teacher Stanley Thornton.

Some computer courses included Accounting, Interactive Media/Animation, Computer Applications, Business Essentials, Web Design, and Media Technology. Taking these classes are important for students to gain knowledge about operating technology because everything is quickly becoming reliant on electronic devices.

"I liked knowing how to actually use a computer to my best ability," sophomore, Ian Crandall said.

BreAnne Caudle, senior, concentrates on her work in Interactive Media class.

Cheyenne Murphy, senior, prepares to tell students the weather forecast in Mustang Television.

Junior Taylor Sullivan uses headphones as he works on the computer in class.

Lane Spiker, Christina Norton, and Mika Smith, freshmen, show their pink support as they type away on their computers.

Austin Taylor, freshman, works on a Microsoft Word assignment in Computer Apps class in which the textbook was accessed through the Internet.

Seniors Laura Rush, Maggie Johnson, and Luke Twombly collaborate on an assignment for their computers class.
"I learned how to be creative and think outside of the box, and Mr. T was the best art teacher yet."

- Kim Elliott, Junior

Art Education students traveled to the primary school to help kindergarteners with art. "Working with the kids has taught me a lot about patience. They are always fun to work with and I learn something new from them every day!"

Brittanie Langley, freshman

Freshmen made coil pots for one of their first projects in Art I. "I love getting messy with the clay because it's kind of fun picking up afterwards."

Carla Cahnue, sophomore

Art I students made clay slabs into very creative clay plates for one of their art projects. "Thornton is an awesome teacher, and the projects are a lot of fun!"

Lexie Whetstine, freshman

Art Education students traveled to the primary school to help kindergarteners with art. "Working with the kids has taught me a lot about patience. They are always fun to work with and I learn something new from them every day!"

Payton Leach, junior

Freshmen made coil pots for one of their first projects in Art I. "I love getting messy with the clay because it's kind of fun picking up afterwards."

Brittanie Langley, freshman

Advanced Art students made many clay projects such as piggy banks or oil paintings. "I like how I can be creative with my projects in class. I also like that Thornton lets us do whatever project we want to do."

Kassidy Blevins, senior

Junior Kim Elliott strings up the finishing touches on her string and nail project.
Lifting: a key to success

PE and Strength and Speed may seem like two very different classes and in the past they were. But this year all physical education classes had the same routine: go into the weight room for 45 minutes then play a game for the last 30 minutes of class.

Some students sign up for these classes to just have an easy class, but they find out they actually have to work.

Teacher Nick Fuemmeler believes if athletes want to be the best, they must come in and work. The students and athletes use the weight room to strengthen themselves and to get better or in Mr. Fuemmeler's words "compete."

Some of the students' favorite games were matball, eclipse ball, volleyball, basketball, wiffleball, and floor hockey.

Freshman Austin Taylor said his favorite game in PE was playing basketball.
"I really enjoy working hard and lifting weights, I like to see my name on the board it shows that my hard work paid off."

- Kenzle Blevins, freshman

Sophomore Tynan Bollinger is captured in mid air while performing clean in PE.

Sophomore Brandon Caudle pushes with all his strength while benching.

Junior Luke Rush squats as low as he can get while maintaining good posture and keeping his eyes up.

Junior Allen Dorrell attempts to pull himself up in the pull up competition in the weightroom.

Freshman Cori Pottorf practices her shooting skills.

Senior Austin Ricklefs runs outside on one of the nicer days in strength and speed.

Senior Gabby Speer attempts to do incline during one of her PE classes.

Junior Trevor Fee lifts the bar off to begin squatting.
Sam Albers enjoys watching the exciting chess game between Cori Pottorf and Malia Smith.

Tynan Bollinger carefully considers his next move against Chelsea Cluck.

Chess Club


State qualifiers: Kim Elliott and Aisha Diveley in Improvised Duet Acting, Kayla Cook and Andy Hughes in Duet Acting.

National Honor Society


Art and Drama


Junior Allen Dorrell is made up and ready to get dressed for his character in "Snow White." Good guy and bad guy Kevin Elliott and Austin Ricklefs are ready to hit the stage for the melodrama.
After being blindfolded by Scotti Twombly, Cooper Leach had to toss balls into a bucket atop his partner's head.

Without using their other hand, Trevor Fee and Jacob Goodman dig for change at the bottom of pantyhose for a humane society fundraiser.


Cooper Leach, freshman, gets a birdseye shot for a photography assignment in Journalism 1.

Mackenzie Boos, sophomore, zooms in on the barnwarming competition. Boos had recently been to the hairdresser to get a unique dye job.
Trevor Fee has a strong hold on his wrestling opponent.

Mackenzie Boos uses strong running form while competing in the Wamego cross country meet.

Emily Franken is recognized on volleyball senior night.

Kassidy Blevins, Abbi Ellis, Payton Leach, and Derek Gibson received all league honors for basketball.

Trevor Fee has a strong hold on his wrestling opponent.

We survived...
Semor Kevm Elliott gets a little playing time in his first season of playing basketball.

Sophomore Jeffery Watts swings for a solid hit during the Troy baseball game.

Senior Kevin Elliott gets a little playing time in his first season of playing basketball.

Sophomore Tynan Bollinger makes a clean hand off to Luke Rush during the Maui Hill game, while teammates block for Rush.

Clarissa Billups, Scotti Twombly, Tristan Speer, Derek Gibson, and Kassiday Blevins received league honors for fall sports.

Freshman Kenzie Blevins makes a smart pass to wide open teammate Regan Gibson.

Dance team members Maddi Libel, Leah Johnson, Regan Gibson, and Kenzie Blevins wear ugly Christmas sweaters while they perform a Christmas dance during halftime of a boys basketball game.

Clarissa Billups, Scotti Twombly, Tristan Speer, Derek Gibson, and Kassiday Blevins received league honors for fall sports.

Basketball Cross Country Wrestling Volleyball
Softball Injuries Morning Practice
Running Track BASEBALL

MEETS
Sept. 8 Wamego
Sept. 13 McLouth
Sept. 20 Troy
Sept. 27 Horton
Oct. 4 Sabetha
Oct. 11 Horton
Oct. 16 Jackson Heights regionals
Oct. 20

Macee Scott, Elayne Clevenger, and Mackenzie Boos gather support from each other and get inspired to run.
With a new year came new struggles and new opportunities for the cross country team. The runners had a new coach, Rex Bollinger, and they had to adjust to his coaching style.

Among the struggles were injuries that kept some runners from participating much at all, while others missed a few races. "Although the season was tough, we always showed up to practice the next day, and we would always have encouragement no matter how terrible we thought we were running," senior Austin Rickles said.

Through injuries or ailments such as a torn achilles, a heart condition, and tendinitis in both knees, there was always positive support on the sidelines of each race. Juniors Elayne Clevenger, Kim Elliott, and Macee Scott all fought difficult injuries but never lost their spirit about running.

With a small team between both boys and girls it was always an individual competition on race day. But with that in mind each competitor went out and tried their hardest no matter how bad it hurt.

Looking forward to coming years it seems like more small cross country teams will be in the Mustangs’ future, but this just means that the team can bond together more quickly and with every practice become more like a family.

As seniors Aaron Johnson and Austin Rickles pass the torch, it is the next set of seniors’ job to improve more than they have in the past and try to make this next season their own triumph.
It was an up and down season for the Mustangs, but ended on a good note by beating their rival team Troy.

Despite having an up and down season and battling frustration including injuries, the Mustangs continued the battle and stayed on course through the season.

Head Coach Fuemmeler said, "I know it was a frustrating for our players, and we feel like we should have won a few more games this season, but I am proud of the fact that the kids were able to pull themselves back together at times when it would have been easy to fall apart."

The seniors are going to be missed with three all-league players and two all-state players. Young guys have to come up and fill the roles of their veteran seniors.
Senior Jordan Sellers jukes his way uphill through the Raven’s defense.

Luke Rush, junior, said, “When I run the ball I think about where my lead blockers will take the defenders, and go for the touchdown.”

The Mustang and Centralia Panthers come together for a post game prayer to give thanks for safety and to show sportsmanship. It has been a Mustang tradition to come together with opposing teams at the end of games for his student-lead prayer.

Coach: Nick Fuemmeler

Assistants: Marty Allen, Rob Randall

Managers: Adam Wilmes & Taylor Sullivan

All League: Jordan Sellers-RB and LB, Derek Gibson-OL

Honorable Mention: Koby Scholz- DT, Tristan Speer- QB

All-State: Derek Gibson-OL

2 Wins - 7 Losses
Senor Alexis Simmons passes the ball to the setter during a match. Simmons said, "I am happy that I was able to come back and play volleyball for my senior year."

Sending the ball back to the other side sophomore Regan Gibson and junior Meghan Larson block at the net.


Coach: Bailey Lanter
Assistant: Megan Jeschke, Melissa Crawford

All League: Clarissa Billups 12, Kassiday Blevins 12
Honorable Mention: Scotti Twombly 11

13 Wins - 22 Losses

Regan Gibson, Kassiday Blevins, Clarissa Billups, Aisha Dively, Maggie Johnson, and Scotti Twombly get focused before starting a match.
Sophomore Regan Gibson tips it over the Troy Trojan double block.

Junior Meghan Larson switches it up by setting it across the net.

Senior Kassiday Blevins spikes the ball through a KCC player's hands.

The Lady Mustangs celebrate after a kill. The players would pretend to rip off their jerseys after getting a good hit. This would help keep the energy up during long matches.

This year's volleyball team was not only a team on the court but also off the court. They bonded through the season allowing them to play effectively as a team. "We did everything together. We experienced success together. We experienced challenges together," head coach Bailey Lanter said.

No matter what success or challenges the Mustangs faced, they would always keep playing their game. They would keep up their energy and spirit by cheering each other on. They would celebrate when a teammate scored a point.

One new method of celebrating was initiated by senior Kassiday Blevins when she was pumped up about a big hit and pretended to rip her shirt. After that day, the move stuck and was used for celebrating everyone's good hits.

"This was one of my favorite things. It always got our team pumped up," junior Scotti Twombly said.

With eight seniors and five juniors, the team had much experience and strong leadership. This group of seniors was the first group of players Lanter coached at Doniphan West.

"Being able to coach these girls throughout their volleyball career was an honor," Lanter said.

The Mustangs truly came together and had overall success. They made it to the sub state semifinals just falling short against Immac.
Being a Mustang cheerleader or dancer wasn't always easy. There were early 6 a.m. practices and many long hours spent perfecting each new dance and cheer.

But these girls loved what they do, being in front of the crowd and really getting into the game.

Regan Gibson, sophomore: "My favorite dance was 'Walk it Out' and what I liked about being a cheerleader and dancer was performing at halftime in front of the crowd."

Malia Smith, freshman: "I liked the 300 Violins dance best, and I liked learning the dances because it's always fun knowing another dance."

Emily Franken, senior: "My favorite dance was 300 Violins, and I liked when we learned new dances. It was fun performing in front of the crowd."

Chelsea Cluck, freshman: "My favorite dance was 300 Violins and I enjoyed being on the cheer/dance squads because of the friendships and the thrill of performing."
Senior Gabby Speer sticks the last motion of a cheer during one of the many football games she has cheered for the last three years.

Laura Rush, senior, performs one of the many different stunts the dancers and cheerleaders perform during the season.

Freshman Cori Pottorf works the crowd at a home basketball game.

To the right: Bases Gabby Speer, Aisha Diveley, Chelsea Cluck, and Regan Gibson lift freshman Christina Norton into a one-legged Liberty. It took many hours of practice, but the stunt finally made it to the top.

Below: The dancers strike a final pose for their "Footloose" performance, and they show off their favorite tutu costumes for their "300" performance.

The performances
"We Run the Night"
"Footloose"
"300 Violins" with tutus
"Walk it Out"
Kids' Clinic
"Jingle Bell Rock" with Christmas sweaters
"Street Lights" with glow in the dark sticks
Alumni with green t-shirts

Coach: Troy Hoffman  
Assistant: Bailey Lanter  

Honors:  
Kassiday Blevins: 2nd Team All-League, All State Honorable Mention  
Abbi Ellis: 1st Team All-League, All State Honorable Mention  

Sub State Runner-up  
14 Wins - 6 Losses  

Abbi Ellis, junior, said, “This was the first year that I felt like our team was a family. We knew to get farther we had to have each other, so we knew we couldn’t leave anyone behind.”

Coach Hoffman explains some game details during a time out at Troy.
For their last year in the DVL the Lady Mustangs left their mark in school history by being the first team to make sub-state finals. With the Lady Mustangs only having two seniors to lead the team, it made the other girls step up and it made the team become more as one. The Lady Mustangs ended up getting second in sub-state against JCN.

The girls fought hard through the ups and downs and injuries, and managed to have a productive season.

Head Coach Troy Hoffman said, “I thought the girls played more as a team out of the last four years I have coached. They did a good job getting the ball to the right people at the right time, and then the defense was sound and took a step forward. The girls made many sacrifices that benefited the team, and I appreciated that.”

Next year’s team is left to be solid with four returning starters. Having to make the big step into the TVL with longer bus rides and very competitive opponents will be an adjustment. The girls are looking more and more hopeful for the team of 2013-14.
The Mustangs may have struggled for wins, but that doesn't mean the entire season was a loss for the boys. They had some close, near-win games, and many of the younger guys came away with a great deal of experience.

Assistant coach Ben Gilmore said, "We started the season knowing we would face tough competition and it took some time to get into stride; however, the team continued to work at getting better and began to click going down the stretch. We had several underclassmen playing considerable varsity time who showed poise and focus in demanding situations, which indicates great things in the years to come."

Austin Taylor: "My favorite game was Riverside at home because our crowd was loud and awesome towards the end of the game."


Cooper Leach: "My favorite part of the season was being in close games because it was really loud and exciting."
Tynan Bollinger, sophomore, goes up against a big Valley Falls defender.

Coach Matt Ellis gives instructions before the boys break the huddle.

Valley Falls 34-66 L
Riverside 25-57 L
Troy 24-73 L
MH-MA 37-64 L
Jackson Heights 44-56 L
IMMAC 35-39 L
Oskaloosa 43-47 L
ACCHS 24-69 L
McLouth 49-70 L
Silver Lake 23-76 L
Frankfort 42-59 L
JCN 43-69 L
KCC 33-60 L
Horton 55-66 L
Riverside 53-54 L
Troy 49-80 L
JCN 40-60 L


Coach: Matt Ellis
Assistant: Ben Gilmore

Record: 0-17

**Varsity**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Wrestler</th>
<th>Points</th>
<th>Record</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Hunter Idol</td>
<td>106</td>
<td>24-10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gabby Speer</td>
<td>120</td>
<td>12-12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kody Collins</td>
<td>132</td>
<td>19-19</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Garret Dunlap</td>
<td>145</td>
<td>30-14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Trevor Fee</td>
<td>152</td>
<td>22-17</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tristan Speer</td>
<td>195</td>
<td>32-8</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Head Coach: Carl Swendsen  
Assistant Coach: Frank Speer

Sophomore Tristan Speer takes his first stand on the state podium, by placing 4th in the 195 pound weight class. He was a heartbreaking one point away from placing third, but was happy with the accomplishment.

The wrestlers surprise senior Gabby Speer by dogpiling and showing her some teammate love on her last high school wrestling tournament.
The Mustangs had one of the most successful wrestling seasons, with four of the six wrestlers making it to state.

With a blizzard blowing across the state, they left two days before the tournament to miss the snow. They arrived safely and then were snowed in at their motel. Despite the snowy stay, they enjoyed running to and from the hot tub in the freezing temperatures, and they took a trip to Wal-Mart and ended up buying remote control trucks to drive in the snow.

Finally the tournament began. Trevor Fee and Hunter Idol went 1-2, a great accomplishment to win a match at state. Freshman Garret Dunlap was two points away from placing at state, which was huge for a freshman. Sophomore Tristan Speer brought home the fourth place medal.

He ended up making it to the round before the semi-finals, but he lost to the state champion in that match. He had to work his way up the backside of the bracket to wrestling a one point match to end up getting fourth.

Hard work paid off at the end of the season. All the dieting, late practices, and Saturday mornings were worth it to make it to the final showdown. "This is the team that I'll never forget. I wouldn't have traded those boys for anyone else," said senior Gabby Speer.
The season started differently than most seasons with the high school and middle school sharing the same head coach Nick Fuemmeler. The team and coaches also had to contend with weather not cooperating and having many indoor practices due to the snow or the rain, and even going outside and running in the rain.

Even though the weather didn't cooperate, the track team still came in working hard and two members qualified for the state track meet in Wichita. Cooper Leach qualified in high jump and Kassiday Blevins made it two years in a row for shot put. Coach Fuemmeler said there were a number of others who were close to qualifying as well.

This young team track team steadily got better over the season. "I'm looking forward to the coming years and watching all these young athletes develop and start to see more success," Fuemmeler said.

One of the two state qualifiers, senior Kassiday Blevins concentrates on throwing the shot put at the state meet in Wichita.

Sophomore Tynan Bollinger participates in the triple jump at the D-West Relays.

Freshman Cooper Leach clears the high jump bar at Rock Creek. Leach qualified for the state track meet in this event.

The season started differently than most seasons with the high school and middle school sharing the same head coach Nick Fuemmeler. The team and coaches also had to contend with weather not cooperating and having many indoor practices due to the snow or the rain, and even going outside and running in the rain.

Even though the weather didn't cooperate, the track team still came in working hard and two members qualified for the state track meet in Wichita. Cooper Leach qualified in high jump and Kassiday Blevins made it two years in a row for shot put. Coach Fuemmeler said there were a number of others who were close to qualifying as well.

This young team track team steadily got better over the season. "I'm looking forward to the coming years and watching all these young athletes develop and start to see more success," Fuemmeler said.

One of the two state qualifiers, senior Kassiday Blevins concentrates on throwing the shot put at the state meet in Wichita.

Sophomore Tynan Bollinger participates in the triple jump at the D-West Relays.

Freshman Cooper Leach clears the high jump bar at Rock Creek. Leach qualified for the state track meet in this event.

The season started differently than most seasons with the high school and middle school sharing the same head coach Nick Fuemmeler. The team and coaches also had to contend with weather not cooperating and having many indoor practices due to the snow or the rain, and even going outside and running in the rain.

Even though the weather didn't cooperate, the track team still came in working hard and two members qualified for the state track meet in Wichita. Cooper Leach qualified in high jump and Kassiday Blevins made it two years in a row for shot put. Coach Fuemmeler said there were a number of others who were close to qualifying as well.

This young team track team steadily got better over the season. "I'm looking forward to the coming years and watching all these young athletes develop and start to see more success," Fuemmeler said.

One of the two state qualifiers, senior Kassiday Blevins concentrates on throwing the shot put at the state meet in Wichita.

Sophomore Tynan Bollinger participates in the triple jump at the D-West Relays.

Freshman Cooper Leach clears the high jump bar at Rock Creek. Leach qualified for the state track meet in this event.

The season started differently than most seasons with the high school and middle school sharing the same head coach Nick Fuemmeler. The team and coaches also had to contend with weather not cooperating and having many indoor practices due to the snow or the rain, and even going outside and running in the rain.

Even though the weather didn't cooperate, the track team still came in working hard and two members qualified for the state track meet in Wichita. Cooper Leach qualified in high jump and Kassiday Blevins made it two years in a row for shot put. Coach Fuemmeler said there were a number of others who were close to qualifying as well.

This young team track team steadily got better over the season. "I'm looking forward to the coming years and watching all these young athletes develop and start to see more success," Fuemmeler said.

One of the two state qualifiers, senior Kassiday Blevins concentrates on throwing the shot put at the state meet in Wichita.

Sophomore Tynan Bollinger participates in the triple jump at the D-West Relays.

Freshman Cooper Leach clears the high jump bar at Rock Creek. Leach qualified for the state track meet in this event.

The season started differently than most seasons with the high school and middle school sharing the same head coach Nick Fuemmeler. The team and coaches also had to contend with weather not cooperating and having many indoor practices due to the snow or the rain, and even going outside and running in the rain.

Even though the weather didn't cooperate, the track team still came in working hard and two members qualified for the state track meet in Wichita. Cooper Leach qualified in high jump and Kassiday Blevins made it two years in a row for shot put. Coach Fuemmeler said there were a number of others who were close to qualifying as well.

This young team track team steadily got better over the season. "I'm looking forward to the coming years and watching all these young athletes develop and start to see more success," Fuemmeler said.

One of the two state qualifiers, senior Kassiday Blevins concentrates on throwing the shot put at the state meet in Wichita.

Sophomore Tynan Bollinger participates in the triple jump at the D-West Relays.

Freshman Cooper Leach clears the high jump bar at Rock Creek. Leach qualified for the state track meet in this event.

The season started differently than most seasons with the high school and middle school sharing the same head coach Nick Fuemmeler. The team and coaches also had to contend with weather not cooperating and having many indoor practices due to the snow or the rain, and even going outside and running in the rain.

Even though the weather didn't cooperate, the track team still came in working hard and two members qualified for the state track meet in Wichita. Cooper Leach qualified in high jump and Kassiday Blevins made it two years in a row for shot put. Coach Fuemmeler said there were a number of others who were close to qualifying as well.

This young team track team steadily got better over the season. "I'm looking forward to the coming years and watching all these young athletes develop and start to see more success," Fuemmeler said.

One of the two state qualifiers, senior Kassiday Blevins concentrates on throwing the shot put at the state meet in Wichita.

Sophomore Tynan Bollinger participates in the triple jump at the D-West Relays.

Freshman Cooper Leach clears the high jump bar at Rock Creek. Leach qualified for the state track meet in this event.

The season started differently than most seasons with the high school and middle school sharing the same head coach Nick Fuemmeler. The team and coaches also had to contend with weather not cooperating and having many indoor practices due to the snow or the rain, and even going outside and running in the rain.

Even though the weather didn't cooperate, the track team still came in working hard and two members qualified for the state track meet in Wichita. Cooper Leach qualified in high jump and Kassiday Blevins made it two years in a row for shot put. Coach Fuemmeler said there were a number of others who were close to qualifying as well.

This young team track team steadily got better over the season. "I'm looking forward to the coming years and watching all these young athletes develop and start to see more success," Fuemmeler said.

One of the two state qualifiers, senior Kassiday Blevins concentrates on throwing the shot put at the state meet in Wichita.

Sophomore Tynan Bollinger participates in the triple jump at the D-West Relays.

Freshman Cooper Leach clears the high jump bar at Rock Creek. Leach qualified for the state track meet in this event.
Junior Abbi Ellis launches the shot put.

Elayne Clevenger, junior, completes lap one of the 1600m at the D-West relays.

Junior Clark, freshman, muscles the shot put.

Cooper Leach: 3rd high jump, state qualif., 7th triple jump.
Kassiday Blevins: 4th shot put, state qualif.
Kody Collins: 5th 110m hurdles
Brannon Oudin: 6th 110m hurdles
Payton Leach: 5th high jump
Tynan Bollinger: 5th triple jump
Austin Ricklefs: 6th long jump
Abbi Ellis: 6th shot put
Kenzie Blevins: 6th 110m, 8th 200m

Head Coach: Nick Fuemmeler
Assistant: Troy Hoffman

State participants
Senior Kassiday Blevins, shot
Freshman Cooper Leach, high jump

Coach: Marty Allen
Assistant: Melissa Crawford

Record: 0-13

BreAnne Caudle: honorable mention DVL infield.
Madi Libel: honorable mention DVL catcher.
Right : Freshman Lexie Whetstine makes her way to first base after getting a hit off the state-ranked Oskaloosa pitcher.

Left: Cory Smith finishes out pitching for the Mustangs at regionals.

Right: Junior Brielle Clary is ready for a hit to right field.

Team photo minus the seniors.

Juniors Katie Smith and Sam Albers cheer their team on during the Troy game.

Senior BreAnne Caudle throws the ball from third to first base to get the hitter out.

With only three years of high school softball under their belt, the Lady Mustangs came out with a losing record, but they did see improvement throughout the season.

The Lady Mustangs had few experienced players with just two seniors, Maddi Libel and BreAnne Caudle, leading the team. Nine of the girls were either freshmen, or it was their first year to play softball.

The Lady Mustangs also had a new assistant coach Melissa Crawford, and head coach Marty Allen returned.

As the season went along, the girls encountered many cancelled games due to rain or even snow.

Coach Allen said it was a hard year for several reasons, "but the future looks better."

The players need to continue to play and work out, he said, and he hopes the pitchers work hard over the summer. "The have potential to be good pitchers."

Even though the season was rough, if all the younger girls stick with it and improve, the Mustangs may see a chance to improve their record and all-around game.
The baseball team took huge strides with new head coach Derek Shelton. Working hard at practices and listening to the coaches allowed these boys to greatly improve.

Shelton said that even though they were a young team, the boys showed up and competed hard everyday. "From the first practice until the last day the boys improved tremendously," he said.

Not having very many players forced each of the baseball players to step up. Each player had to be ready to play any position, which is not easy. 

No matter what the score the boys kept on playing and had some very close games. One was a comeback against rival Troy. Getting beat by the Trojans the first game, the Mustangs played harder the second game coming back for a 9-8 win.

"We need to continue to build on what we started this year," Shelton said. "With the boys having the varsity experience, they know what it's going to take to be a successful team next year."
Hunter Idol, freshman, pitches against Troy.

Sophomore Jeffrey Watts pitches for the Mustangs during the Oskaloosa game.

Sophomore Tyman Bollinger gets ready for the next pitch during the regional game versus Troy.

Freshman Garret Dunlap sprints to first base after he gets a hit.

Freshman Cooper Leach catches a pop fly at short stop.

Jeffrey Watts: honorable mention DVL pitcher, infield, utility.


Coach: Derek Shelton, Assistant: Jeff Watts

1 Win · 15 Losses

Jeffrey Watts: honorable mention DVL pitcher, infield, utility.

Semor Gabby Speer helps Ruby Rhodd put her cap on before they walk out for Graduation.

In a pep rally race to pop balloons, Leah Johnson, Cory Smith, and Samantha Albers enjoy the hilarity of it all.

A member of Voices of Glory singing group works the crowd during an assembly.

Senior Gabby Speer helps Ruby Rhodd put her cap on before they walk out for Graduation.


WE Survived...
During FFA Barnwarming, Koby Scholz and Kassidy Blevins work together to make a stool.

Seniors Kevin Elliott and Aisha Diveley play the role of love birds in the fall play.

Junior Trevor Fee, senior Cheyenne Murphy, senior Clarissa Billups, and senior Jordan Sellers go out on the dance floor for a line dance.

Trevor Fee, Jessica Neibling, and other students protect their balloons while trying to pop those of the others while playing a pep rally game.

Junior Chris Tygret plays the role of a zombie for the junior float during the Homecoming Parade.

Events

Prom
Senior Trip
Plays
Graduation
Winter Royalty
Homecoming
Derek Gibson and Maggie Johnson


Jordan Sellers and Maddi Libel.

Homecoming 2012

Dress up days, fun Friday games, and a cold rainy parade made it a Homecoming to remember.

On Friday students participated in many games such as volleyball, kickball, watermelon eating, pumpkin throwing and also a little powder puff football.

There were even some interesting candidate games during the parade that seemed pretty tricky considering it was a little slick. The six candidates participated in a trash can race and the blind balloon toss. The dancers also added a twist with a crowd participation dance.

At halftime of the football game, Luke Twombly and Maggie Johnson were crowned, and students spent the rest of the night dancing until they couldn’t dance anymore.

Right: Seniors Maggie Johnson and Luke Twombly pose for a picture after being crowned 2012 Homecoming King and Queen.
Senior Gabby Speer does freshman Kenzie Blevins' hair before they walk in the homecoming parade.

Juniors Samantha Albers and Kyleigh Edie get zombified for their part in the class float, which won first place.

"It was really cold and rainy, but I had a lot of fun participating and hearing the crowd cheer me on!"

- Luke Twombly, senior

Candidate Activities

The female candidates ride in a Ford Mustang convertible for the parade. They were then asked to compete in games such as a trash can race and catching water balloons in plastic buckets. Justin Simmons filled in for Luke Twombly who was unable to play.

Friday Activities

Seniors Jordan Cluck and Derrick Hughes relax and have a little fun while watching the powder puff games.

Friday Fun

1. The faculty-staff powder puff team gets fired up to play. 2. Juniors Luke Rush and Ian Bollinger play aggressive volleyball. 3. John Vonderschmidt, freshman, sits with some other guys as they try to stay warm and watch powder puff. 4. Sophomore Ian Crandall represents his class in the watermelon eating contest. 5. Freshman Kenzie Blevins gets a handoff and looks for a hole in the defense.
With a chest full of balloons, junior Trevor Fee shows off a new side as he poses with classmate Kyleigh Edie.


Sophomores Kailee Simmons, Jessica Parker, and Baylee Elliott try to stay warm while holding up their class poster in the cold, rainy homecoming parade.

Seniors Laura Rush, Maggie Johnson, Alexis Simmons, and BreAnne Caudle show off their cowgirl boots on cowboy day.

Juniors Tylee Keller, Payton Leach, Macee Scott, and Madison Smith jump and shout for joy when they learn that they took first place in the float contest after days of hard work.
Junior Liz Courtin gets a piggy back ride back into the commons from junior Taylor Sullivan during lunch time.

Freshmen Cori Pottorf and Christina Norton give a little taste of "THUNDER" and the "THUG LYFE" by flashing their temporary knuckle tattoos on Gangsta Day.

Juniors Kim Elliott, Chris Tygret, Narissa Elrod, Kyleigh Edie, Samantha Albers, Kate Smith, Elayne Clevenger, and Abbi Ellis woke up and came to school on Monday dressed in their pajamas for Pajama Day.

Freshmen Malia Smith, Aubree Robinson, Jeffery Clevenger, Lane Spiker, Cori Pottorf, Chelsea Cluck, McKenzie Blevins, Christina Norton, and Britannie Langley bring out their inner gangsta on Thursday for Gangsta Day.

From Tutu's to T-shirts, seniors show their support on Wednesday for breast cancer awareness on pink out day.

Good friends Kayla Cook, sophomore, and Andy Hughes, freshman, smile for the camera as they watch the ladies play kickball during homecoming activities.

Seniors Gabby Speer and BreAnne Caudle support their school on an interesting episode of Mustang Television on Friday for Blue and Orange Day.
The villain Austin Ricklefs explains to Kim Elliott's character that she must cooperate with his plan to acquire the candy shop property.

The melodrama "Someone Save my Baby Ruth" was sweet entertainment.

Austin Ricklefs and Kim Elliott were exceptional at playing the villain and villainess Sidney Swindle and Ada Sourball, who worked in cahoots trying to get their hands on a Sweet Shoppe owned by Praline Candy (Samantha Albers). Praline Candy's niece Penny Candy and her baby doll Ruth got involved in the drama when Baby Ruth was kidnapped by Sourball to extort ransom money.

As with all typical melodramas, good triumphed over evil, and Swindle and Sourball were foiled in their attempts to do wrong.

"I had fun being the evil one this year. It came easy to me. My character was somewhat ditzy and I liked acting the part when I got to pretend to choke and die."

Kim Elliott.

"I did enjoy the role of the villain," Ricklefs said, "not so much because I got to talk with an accent or wear a funny mustache, but because the villain can be more animated. Once I learned my lines, I got to the point where I could really develop the character and make myself the villain everyone wanted. A play might need a hero, but everyone loves a good villain!"

Director Stanley Thornton said, "I think overall the students did a great job. If I had to rate their performance on a scale of one to 10, I would give them an 8.5."

"Being in my first play was fun and it was definitely outside my comfort zone. I enjoyed it."

Chris Tygret.

Sweet Stuff

"We...were booed & hissed"
Narissa Elrod applies her stage makeup in the art room. "I hated putting on the thick makeup. I felt like my pores were being clogged."

Penny Candy, played by Aisha Diveley, introduces her baby Ruth to candy shop owner Praline Candy (Samantha Albers). "I had a good time dressing up and acting while laughing at other people's mistakes. My sister signed me up to be in the play and I didn't know it until the parts were announced."

Cooper Leach

"That was our first melodrama so it was really a blast figuring out all of the details and stuff. I loved how I got to be involved with the crowd as a heroine."

-Aisha Diveley, senior

The villainess Kim Elliott pretends to have choked on a piece of candy from the Sweet Shoppe. The customers and workers aren't sure how to react.


1. Chelsea Cluck, Elayne Clevenger, and Samantha Albers take a final bow. 2. Senior cast and crew: Kevin Elliott, Aisha Diveley, Austin Ricklefs, Laura Rush, Kassiday Blevins, and Maddi Libel. 3. Playing mother-daughter, Chelsea Cluck and Elayne Clevenger purchase candy from Aisha Diveley and Samantha Albers. 4. The seniors give a candy bouquet to Stanley Thornton as a thank you. 5. Narissa Elrod and Abbi Ellis take our Joey Edie and Chris Tygret wish candy lips kisses.
Winter Royalty

2013 Winter Royalty was one to remember with many fun dress up days and six very fun candidates. The students really took part in the TV-inspired spirit days, and the most popular day was Duck Dynasty day. Many students dressed up as the bearded, camo-wearing Robertson men Jase, Willie, and Uncle Si.

Other dress up days were Nerd Day / The Big Bang Theory Day with Sheldon Cooper and Amy Farrah Fowler.

Friday was black out day and the school seemed pretty dark with all the black clothes.

For the afternoon pep rally the candidates gave their best impression of pathetic puppy dog howls and had a fun dancing game.

At halftime of the boys' basketball game, Derrick Hughes and Kassiday Blevins were crowned 2013 Winter Royalty King and Queen.
"Winter Royalty was a lot of fun. I loved conducting the games and seeing how the candidates were all different."

- Alisha Diveley, senior

Students stand up and enjoy the pep rally as the cheerleaders and dancers lead them in the fight song.

Senior candidates partipate in some very interesting games, such as dancing on a single sheet of paper and even making the best puppy howl.
Juniors Madison Smith, and Kim Elliott help freshman Chelsea Cluck get ready for the play.

Freshman Cooper Leach and junior Allen Dorrell give a sneak peek of the set and characters behind the scenes.

Senior Austin Ricklefs and junior Elayne Clevenger try to get rid of their nerves before the play by making silly faces.

Snow White

When we think of the classic Disney story of "Snow White," what we expect is a beautiful girl, wicked queen, seven adorable little men, magic mirror, handsome prince, and a cast of lovable forest creatures. The March 28-29 performances didn’t disappoint in bringing the story to life.

Aisha Diveley was a beautiful, sweet Snow White, who won over the hearts of the audience and the seven dwarfs. Kim Elliott’s sinister voice and cackling laugh, was convincing as the jealous, wicked queen intent on being the most beautiful in the land.

The dutifully honest Magic Mirror was artfully played by Samantha Albers. Austin Ricklefs played the handsome prince. The dwarfs, in bibbed overalls and full-length beards, showed fierce devotion to Snow White while adding a splash of humor. They were Sarge (Mackenzie Boos), Gabby (Elayne Clevenger), Gloomy Gus (Madison Smith), Ticklish (Payton Leach), Spritely (Cori Postorf), Snore (Allen Dorrell), and Slowpoke (Gabby Speer).

Other supporting roles were Kevin Elliott as the Huntsman, who spares Snow White’s life; Chelsea Cluck as the Enchanted Vixen, who warns the Dwarfs of the queen’s evil doings, and Cooper Leach as the queen’s cat.

Cast: Chelsea Cluck, Cooper Leach, Madison Smith, Cori Postorf, Kim Elliott, Sam Albers, Gabby Speer, Elayne Clevenger, Payton Leach, Austin Ricklefs, Aisha Diveley, Kevin Elliott, Mackenzie Boos, Abbi Ellis.
"I didn’t like how I had to wear tons of makeup, and the beards were really itchy!"
- Madison Smith, junior

"At the beginning my voice was shaky because I was really nervous, but it got better. My beard kept getting in my mouth, though."
- Payton Leach, junior

"I had so much fun wearing a beard!! It was hard making my voice sound like a man... Thornton always laughed at me!"
- Elayne Clevenger, junior

"Once we got our lines down and got more into character, it was so much fun, and another awesome play!"
- Samantha Albers, junior and magic, walking, talking mirror

"This being my last play, I think back to all past productions and I think "Thank God it’s over!" But I also think back and realize that it was always fun and if I could, I’d be part of another."
- Austin Ricklefs, senior

1. Chelsea Cluck, freshman, explains to senior Aisha Dively where the seven dwarfs live. 2. Junior Kim Elliott expresses her excitement for the sinister plan to poison Snow White with the apple that she has just concocted. 3. While sitting on the queen’s throne, freshman Cooper Leach takes a look in the mirror at his fierce kitty-cat self. 4. Stan Thornton, art teacher, accepts a plaque from his students as a thank you. 5. Senior Aisha Dively spins out of the wrath of the evil queen, Kim Elliott’s terribly tight trap. 6. The seven dwarfs, Gabby Speer, Allen Dorrell, Elayne Clevenger, Cori Pottorf, Mackenzie Boos, Payton Leach, and Madison Smith mourn, thinking Snow White is dead, until prince Austin Ricklefs leans in for an awakening kiss.

Austin Ricklefs
Aisha Dively
Gabby Speer
Kevin Elliott
On April 6, 2013 the juniors and seniors woke up with a very eventful evening ahead of them. Getting hair done, making sure tuxes fit just right, and all around preparing to look stunning for their dates is an all-day affair for many.

The events started off with photos at HCC campus, where community members also showed up to see how stunning everyone looked. After taking many pictures and socializing, cruising Highland filled in the time until dinner. Many fancy sports cars and large pick-up trucks pulled up to the high school that evening.

The students walked into a beautifully decorated shabby chic gym with twinkling lights strung above their heads. A wonderful meal was followed by delightful dancing from the freshmen servers.

The students then began dancing the night away or until their feet hurt bad enough to sit down. They were then sent to enjoy after prom at the HCC Wellness center where activities included riding a mechanical bull, rolling in hamster balls, and playing a few games of Twister. They were given wonderful prizes and then finally made their way home from a long and fun filled night.
"I really enjoyed the dance. It was a lot of fun and I got to spend it with all of my friends."

- Jordan Sellers, senior
Maddi Libel and Clarissa Billups enjoy the candy buffet. They are writing their names on paper bags, which will be filled up with candy.

Taylor Sullivan and Julie Vonderschmidt pose for an official portrait at HCC.

Right: Elayne Clevenger and Austin Ricklefs take a formal pose after the one in which Austin reclined on the sofa.

Ruby Rhodd, Samantha Albers, and Macee Scott.

... danced all night long

One of the first dances of the evening, "The Wobble," gets most of the kids out on the dance floor. Deejay Landon Allen kept the hip hop music ad videos going for most of the dance with the exception of a few country tunes and other group dances.
The "YMCA" gets many dancers out on the floor.

Before dinner is served: Adam, Cheyenne Murphy, Kylee Keeth, Abby Fee, Ruby Rhodd.
Senior Trip

Seniors visited Branson, Mo. for their senior trip. It was a very unique trip with snow and rain the first day and then sunshine the last day.

The Dixie Stampede, Silver Dollar City, shopping and zip lining were some of the activities. They stayed in the Still Waters resort right on the lake and there was plenty of hot tubbing. Four crazy girls even jumped into the ice cold lake.

Gabby Speer said the strangest part was that this was probably the laziest group of seniors because all they wanted to do was sleep, and even the sponsors participated in the napping.

There were many laughs and even some tears as the seniors spent the last big trip with each other making them realize that after this they will be going their separate ways.

The seniors take one last picture together before they leave the resort and make their way back home.

When the weather finally cooperated the seniors got to enjoy the lake and go kayaking.

Maddi Libel orders the chefs salad at Lambert's and as she said, "I ended up with the whole garden." Like many other seniors she did not finish her plate.

Kylee Keehn, Gabby Speer, Emily Franken, and Aisha Diveley hold up a 2013 with their fingers for a picture with the sunset.

Sponsor Julie Speer catches one pretty fish from the lake. She didn't even have a real fishing pole. It was a cane pole, which is just a stick with a hook.
Aisha Diveley buys a bonnet for her mom for when the kindergarteners celebrate Kansas day.

Seniors cozy up for a picture in the hot tub since it was too cold to swim in the pool.

Gabby Speer, Aisha Diveley, Kylee Keehn, and Emily Franken lay on the dock and try to recover body heat after jumping in the freezing lake.

"I really enjoyed the arcade and games. Winning 1000 tickets was exciting. I got a really cool ball which they filled with too much air and ended up popping."

- Kassiday Blevins, senior

The senior boys really enjoyed their food but even these full grown men couldn’t clean their plates.

Seniors participated in many activities such as eating, swimming, go karts, and what Gabby Speer claimed was their favorite—napping! The seniors really enjoyed all that free time to just sit back and relax with no worries.

Activities

Franken receives tickets from the games at the arcade instead of riding the go karts.

Austin Ricklefs comes in the final stretch of the zip line.

Alexis Simmons braids Ruby Rhodd’s hair getting her all dolled up before they go and watch the Dixie Stampede.
Graduation is always a bitter sweet experience. It is a day full of mixed emotions from not only the students in the graduating class but also their families, teachers, and friends. The graduating class is proud of all they accomplished throughout the years but also sad that they won't be together again.

The class of 2013 enjoyed the time they had together. Having a small class allowed them to grow close over the years. Often seen sitting together at lunch or enjoying each other's conversation on the stage, this class spent a lot of time together.

On May 11 the senior class was well prepared for graduation. Seniors decorated their hats and wore unique shoes, while one senior boy came with a new hairdo.

Each senior had their own thoughts going through their minds: "I hope I don't mess up my speech" "I'm so gonna bawl" or "Please don't let me trip while on stage."

The trio of Aisha Diveley, Kylee Keehn, and Amber Smith sang "Long Live" by Taylor Swift. BreAnne Caudle was salutatorian and Aisha Diveley valedictorian.

After it was all over it was a smooth ceremony that all the seniors will always remember.
"It was a really memorable day knowing it would be the last time I see some of my classmates."

- Gabby Speer, senior
"I was scared of senior hall until my senior year."
- Alexis Simmons

"My favorite part of high school was listening to anecdotes from Donna Parish (social studies teacher)."
- Aaron Johnson

"One of my favorite memories was during chemistry when Koby would fall asleep and Mr. Larson would completely stop class and just stare at him."
- BreAnne Caudle

"Let your smile change the world, but don't let the world change your smile."
- Aisha Diveley

"When we look back we remember the good times, but the difficulties we faced were what prepared us for today."
"High school was memorable, but I definitely loved senior year just for the people I got to spend it with and the people I became friends with in the end."
- Gabby Speer

"Don’t be afraid to be what you want. Whenever someone tries to keep you down, stand taller and fight for what you dream of."
- Austin Ricklefs
You have brought much joy to our lives. We are truly proud of the young lady you have become. We love you and are looking forward to your future.

Love, Dad and Mom

“The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him, and I am helped. My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to Him in song.”

Psalms 28:7

Stay true to yourself and close to the Lord!

Margaret Linn

Congratulations!
Love,
Mom,
Dad,
Rachel,
and
Jimmy

Congratulations Jordan!

Proverbs 3:5-6

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight.”

We Love You!

Dad & Mom

We are so proud of you.
May you continue your life’s journey and be blessed.

Love,
Dad

We are proud of you.

Congrats!
Love, Dad, Jessica, Dusty, Lindsay, and Tucker

Proud of You

-Dad

Alexis Simmons
Keep your trust in the Lord and He will not fail you.

We are so proud of you!
You have a great future ahead.
We love you!
From: Brian, Mom, Kimberly, Kyle, and Kalvin

Dear Emily,
Congratulations to our #1 granddaughter. You were a beautiful little girl and have grown up to be a beautiful, loving, and wonderful young lady. We wish you the best in all you do!

Love,
Grandma Pat and Grandpa Barton

Always the Star! Continue to shine!
Good Luck at Washburn!
We love you!
Nick and Leah

We are so proud of all you have accomplished.
Love,
Dad, Mom, Taryn, and Regan

Maggie, We are so proud of all you've accomplished.
Keep your trust in the Lord and He will not fail you.
We'll love you forever, we'll like you for always...

Love, Papa & Nana
Kassidy Marie,
You have always lived life with confidence, strength, and courage. Your smile and laughter are contagious to those around you. Believe in yourself and all that you are. Know there is something inside you that is greater than any obstacle you may encounter. Keep God close to your heart and thank Him daily for what He has blessed you with.
We love you and are very proud!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Katylin, Keaton, and Kortin

Aisha Divine

And we pray that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please Him in every way, bearing fruit in every good work, and growing in the knowledge of God. So we have been so many ways. We know God has you strengths to continue to see your work. We couldn’t be more proud of the beautiful young woman you have become.
We love you,
Christa, Summer, Madison, & Steven

Emily Franken

To our #1 granddaughter. We can’t imagine our life without you. You are a beautiful young lady and we are very proud of you.
We love you!
Grandma Bev and Grandpa Mike

BreAnne Caddle

BreAnne, since the day you were born, you have continued to make us proud of you!! Follow your dreams & your heart wherever it may lead you. “Love you right up to the moon - and back.”
Dad, Mom, Brandon, & Cally

"Look out Jordan, Here comes the world!"
Love you to the moon and back!
-Dad & Mom
Austin, the time has come to end this chapter in your life and move on to bigger and better things! You have grown into a remarkable young man and we couldn't be prouder of all that you have accomplished over the years! We look forward to watching you continue to grow and explore all the many new things that life has to offer you. We love you very much!

Mom, Jay, Nathan, Shayla

The journey from beautiful baby to beautiful young woman has been a blessing for us. Always seek God's guidance as He reveals the blessings He has in store for you.

We are proud of you and love you.
Mom, Dad, and Katherine

Laura Rush

I pray that God will grant you your deepest dreams and your heart's desires, but remember that also will require some hard work on your part! Things you really want in life are worth working for. We wish you the best in life, but ask not what God can do for you...but what you can do for Him.

We love you and are very proud of you...#6! Believe!

Love,
Grandma and Grandpa
(at the farm)

Justin Simmons

On June 18, 2011 no one knew what your future held or if you would even have one. Praise God that He has given you a second chance and not only are you graduating, you are graduating with your class. The class of 2013. I always knew you would grow up to be a beautiful young woman, but never knew how strong and determined you were. You have gone through a lot in the past couple of years and I am so proud to call you my niece. I have no doubt that you will succeed in whatever path you choose, you have already proven that you are a winner. Congratulations.

I Love You
Aunt Paula

Always remember you are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, smarter than you think.

Winnie the Pooh

Have faith and go confidently in the direction of your dreams.
Love, Mom and Dad

Alexis Simmons

You're never too old to amaze me. As you were growing up, I prayed that God would keep his hand on you because you had no fear and I was always afraid you would get hurt. Now I pray that God keeps his hand on you because you are graduating and heading out into the real world. I think you have a good head on your shoulders, but it can be a scary place so keep your head up and always be yourself. I love how honest you are, never lie that.

People can count on someone who is honest because they will always know where they stand. You have grown into such a wonderful young man and I am so proud to call you my nephew. Congratulations!

I Love You
Aunt Paula

We are so proud of you, Luke! We wish you many blessings as you enter your next level of education. We love you.

- Mom, Dad, Scott, Samantha, and Scotti
We are proud of you and for the young lady you have become. It took a long time to reach where you are now and an awful lot of hard work but you hung in there and showed everyone it could be done. Now just keep up the good work and make your life what you want it to be! We love you more than you will ever know.

Love: Mom, Dad, Justin, & Grandparents
“For I know the plans I have for you,” says the Lord, “plans to prosper you, and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”

Jeremiah 29:11

Aaron, we love you and are glad to call you our son. Keep steady to achieve your goals. We are proud of you.

Mom & Dad

Never stop reaching for the stars!

We love you!
Mom, Dad,
Tristan, and Zeb
Gabrielle Louise Speer

Aisha,

Good Luck.
May all of your dreams come true.

Grandma Diveley

FOR I KNOW THE PLANS I HAVE FOR YOU,
PLANS TO PROSPER YOU, AND NOT TO HARM YOU,
PLANS TO GIVE YOU HOPE, AND A FUTURE.
JEREMIAH 29:11 NIV

Jake Wiedner

CONGRATS JAKE!
LOVE,
MOM AND DAD

Koby Scholz

We are proud of you! Keep your head up high and follow your dream.

Love you,
Mom & Dad

Congratulations! We are proud of you!
We love you.
Mom, Dad, and Casey

Ricklefs Longhorns
Growing crops is your business.
Growing satisfied customers is ours.

Bunge’s mission is simple: to be the premier integrated feed and food ingredient company in North America.

One measure of our success is how well we meet the needs of the farmer. Whether it’s efficiently getting your truck in and out of the facility or providing a broad range of contracting options, we strive to meet your expectations for personalized service.

We’re committed to our mission. We’re committed to you.
Marvin & Travis Green
1-785-741-0317

1307 Alabama St.
White Cloud, KS 66094

Office Hours:
M-F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Pete Rosa, MD
Bonnie Enneking, ARNP

Keebler Electric
Residential and Commercial Wiring

Robyn Euler Johnson
Attorney-At-Law

Office Phone:
(785)-985-2121
Home Phone:
(785)-988-2714

130 East Walnut
P.O. Box 206
Troy, Kansas 66087

Dan Keebler
Highland, KS 66035

(H) (785)-442-3294
Mobile (785)-741-3913
PICKMAN ELECTRIC
Commercial - Industrial - Residential

Pat and Kathleen Pickman Owners

831 Main Street
Atchison, KS 66002

913-367-1448
913-370-0429

BASKETBALL Plus EDUCATION

Matt Ellis
mellis@rainbowtel.net

Hair Fanatics
Full Service Salon
hair ~ nails ~ tanning

308 W. Main Street
Highland
(785) 442-5570

Uptown Salon
hair - tanning - nails

JoEllen Banks
913-832-2565

Highland Christian Church

102 East Main
Highland, KS 66035
(785) 442-3447

Pastor: Scott Fitch
Sunday School: 9 A.M.
Worship: 10 A.M.

Hiawatha IMPLEMENT

Jamyold Truck & Tractor Repair
310 West Locust
Troy, KS
785-985-9614
Joey & Sue Blevins
436 250th Rd.
Highland, KS 66035
(785) 442-3892

Where handling YOUR grain is OUR business!

Lori's Embroidery & More
Custom Machine Embroidery & Screenprinting
Lori Sweariagen
Owner
1510 280th Street
Hiawatha, KS 66434
785-742-4522
Call For Hours
lorisemb@hotmail.com
www.lorisembroidery.com

McDonald's
1001 South 1st Street
Hiawatha, KS
785-742-3377

For all your grain handling needs call...

Jade Millwrights, Inc.
866-581-1254
Hiawatha, KS
www.jademillwrights.com
Your protection and peace of mind is our only business

Wishing you Health, Happiness & Success!

Hundley Insurance Services
(913) 376-2196 Local
(888) 232-0898 Free
1401 Main St.
Atchison, KS

For Free consumer Reports go to:
www.hundleyinsurance.com
Congratulations
Class of 2013

"Explore. Dream. Discover."
- Mark Twain

Westside Veterinary Hospital
Steven W. Walz D.V.M.
Kimberly Hoffman Vet. Tech.
17014 286th Road
Atchison, Kansas 66002
(913) 367-0456

Taylor Seed Farms, Inc.

2467 Hwy. 7
White Cloud, Kansas 66094
(785) 595-3236
1-800-742-7473
FAX- (785) 595-3316
Doniphan West Booster Club
Supports the Mustangs!

Blevins Farms, Inc. & B.T. Limited
Custom Farming - GPS/ Fertilizing Liquid & Dry/ Spraying - GPS
Local & Over the Road Trucking

807 E. Main
Highland, KS
66035
(785) 442-3551

BANK OF HIGHLAND

P.O. BOX 425 • 402 WEST MAIN ST.
HIGHLAND, KANSAS 66035-0425
Phone #: (785) 442-3223
Hours: Mon - Thursday 8am - 4pm
           Friday 8am - 6pm

Skyview Equipment
1306 U.S. HWY. 36
Hiawatha, Kansas 66434
(785) 742-2867
1-877-642-1032

NEW HOLLAND

Your New Holland Dealer

Jerry Blevins
Local Garst Seed Dealer
Fax: 785-442-3426
blev farms@carsoncomm.com

688 240th Road
P.O. Box 96
Highland, KS 66035
785-442-3335
The yearbook staff Austin Ricklefs, Abbi Ellis, Kyleigh Edie, Gabby Speer, and Clarissa Billups sport their “I Mustache You a Question” staff t-shirts at an end-of-year photo session.

The 2012-2013 Doniphan West Journalism II class presents volume 9 of “Mustang Moments.” Members of the class included seniors Austin Ricklefs, Gabby Speer, and Clarissa Billups; and juniors Kyleigh Edie and Abbi Ellis. Their adviser was Marla Taylor.

“We Survived” yearbook theme was chosen because of the Mayan Calendar prediction of the end of the world on Dec. 21, 2012. We knew we would make it through the year!

The yearbook class visited the Jostens Publishing plant in the fall to work with an artist on the cover design. Body copy and captions are written in Chantilly; the font for the WE is 28 Days Later; and the script used is Aramar. The dominant colors are Tidal Wave blue, Fig purple, Nectarine orange, Circus green, Melon pink, and traditional yellow.

The yearbook was produced using the Jostens online program Yearbook Avenue.

100 books were ordered and sold for $30.
North Korea Launches Rocket

The world is uneasy as North Korea launches a rocket that may have put a satellite into orbit around the Earth.

BP Agrees to Settlement

Shortly before the second anniversary of the 2010 oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, BP reaches a settlement with thousands of businesses and individuals hurt by the spill.

Women Senators Now Number 20

The U.S. Senate achieves a new record: 20 female senators in office, 16 Democrats and four Republicans. The new total beats the previous record by four.

Terriified Theatergoers

In Aurora, CO, actor Christian Bale and his wife Sandra Blazic visit the memorial that was created for the victims of the mass shooting that occurred during a midnight screening of The Dark Knight Rises.

Terrified Theatergoers

In Aurora, CO, actor Christian Bale and his wife Sandra Blazic visit the memorial that was created for the victims of the mass shooting that occurred during a midnight screening of The Dark Knight Rises.

Terrified Theatergoers

In Aurora, CO, actor Christian Bale and his wife Sandra Blazic visit the memorial that was created for the victims of the mass shooting that occurred during a midnight screening of The Dark Knight Rises.

Felix Baumgartner Takes a Leap

Skydiver Felix Baumgartner breaks a world record by jumping from a space capsule almost 24 miles above ground.

Hurricane Sandy Hits New York

Hurricane Sandy hits New York, flooding transit tunnels and prompting President Obama to sign an emergency declaration for the entire state.

New Jersey Battles Hurricane Sandy

The Jersey Shore copes with widespread flooding, power outages and property damage resulting from Hurricane Sandy.

Hurricane Sandy Hits New York

Hurricane Sandy hits New York, flooding transit tunnels and prompting President Obama to sign an emergency declaration for the entire state.

New Jersey Battles Hurricane Sandy

The Jersey Shore copes with widespread flooding, power outages and property damage resulting from Hurricane Sandy.

Hurricane Sandy Hits New York

Hurricane Sandy hits New York, flooding transit tunnels and prompting President Obama to sign an emergency declaration for the entire state.

New Jersey Battles Hurricane Sandy

The Jersey Shore copes with widespread flooding, power outages and property damage resulting from Hurricane Sandy.

Malala is Teenager of the Year

Malala Yousafzai, the 15-year-old Pakistani schoolgirl shot by the Taliban because she campaigned for the education of girls, is named Teenager of the Year by The Muslim Times.
Mortgage Sweet Mortgage

Homebuyers benefit from favorable lending rates as the slow economy keeps home mortgage interest rates as low as 2.94 percent.

Chicago Teachers Strike

After the Chicago Teachers Union fails to reach an agreement with the city, more than 26,000 teachers and staff walk off the job.

Congress Teeters on Fiscal Cliff

To postpone $109 billion in federal budget cuts, Congress passes a compromise bill that raises taxes on the nation's wealthiest.

Morsi Becomes Egypt's President

Egypt holds a democratic presidential election, and conservative Muslim candidate Mohamed Morsi is declared the winner.

Dragon Capsule Concludes Mission

With the safe return of the SpaceX Dragon capsule, NASA successfully completes its first commercial supply mission to the International Space Station.

Sandy Hook Elementary Students Return to Class

Three weeks after the Sandy Hook tragedy, classes are relocated to the former Chalk Hill Middle School in nearby Monroe, CT. "Our collective strength and resilience will serve as an example to the rest of the world," tweeted the principal from Newtown High School.

Junk Food Junkies Mourn Twinkies

The troubled Hostess Brands, Inc. shuts down operations, signaling a probable end for the once-popular Twinkies snack cake.

UN Aid for Syrian Refugees

The United Nations launches a $1.5 billion aid effort to bring food, clothing, shelter and medical supplies to Syrians fleeing more than two years of war.

Benghazi Attack Kills Ambassador

Armed attackers kill Ambassador J. Christopher Stevens and six other Americans at the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya.
Vice Presidential Candidates Debate

Vice President Joe Biden and Republican vice presidential candidate Paul Ryan debate a wide range of issues in Danville, KY.

First Family Appears at DNC

President Barack Obama accepts his party’s nomination and addresses the Democratic National Convention in Charlotte, NC.

Election Map Shows Key State Wins

With a total of 332 electoral votes, Barack Obama easily exceeds the 270 electoral votes he needs to win the 2012 presidential election.

Obama and Romney Debate

President Obama faces his challenger, former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney, in a debate about domestic policy at the University of Denver in Denver, CO.

Clint Eastwood Acts at RNC

Onstage at the Republican National Convention in Tampa, FL, Clint Eastwood pretends that the empty chair beside him is President Obama.

Voters Face Lines at Polls

Voters in the 2012 election faced long lines at the polls across the country, especially in key battleground states such as Virginia, Ohio and Florida.

Obama Claims Victory

Despite high unemployment and a slow economic recovery, President Barack Obama wins a second term in the White House.

Nation’s Capital Celebrates Inauguration

In Washington, D.C., President Obama is sworn in for his second term at a public ceremony marking the nation’s 57th presidential inauguration.
U.S. Women Win Soccer Gold

Thanks to two goals by midfielder Carli Lloyd and a critical save by goalie Hope Solo, the U.S. women's soccer team defeats Japan for the gold.

Missy Franklin Swims to Victory

After winning four gold medals and one bronze at the Summer Games, swimmer Missy Franklin still plans to swim for her high school in Aurora, CO.

Usain Bolt Sets Record

Jamaican Usain Bolt wins the 100-meter event in 9.63 seconds, setting a new Olympic record and cementing his reputation as the fastest man on Earth.

U.S. Defends Men's Basketball Title

The U.S. men's basketball team, led by NBA star LeBron James, defends their Olympic gold title by defeating Spain 107-100.

Allyson Felix Runs for Gold

Sprinter Allyson Felix wins the Women's 200-meter final. It is one of three gold medals she takes home from the Summer Games.

Oscar Pistorius Wins on Artificial Legs

South African sprinter Oscar Pistorius is the first double-leg amputee to compete in the Olympics. He took home two gold medals and a silver.

Misty May-Treanor and Kerri Walsh Jennings Are Golden

The U.S. beach volleyball team of Misty May-Treanor and Kerri Walsh Jennings win their third consecutive gold medal.

Paralympic Games Welcome More Athletes

For the first time in 12 years, people with intellectual challenges are invited to compete at the Paralympic Games for physical and intellectual disabilities.

Fab Five Grab Gymnastics Gold

The "Fab Five" (also known as the "Fierce Five") of the U.S. women's gymnastics team win the gold for the women's team competition.

Michael Phelps Pools His Winnings

Michael Phelps swims to his 18th gold medal and his 22nd medal in total, making him the most decorated Olympic athlete in history.
Freshman Wins Heisman

On the 40-year anniversary of freshman eligibility, the Heisman Trophy goes to the first freshman in its history, Texas A&M quarterback Johnny Manziel.

NHL Lockout Shortens Season

After a 113-day lockout, the National Hockey League reaches an agreement with the players' association, resulting in a compressed season.

Timothy Bradley Unseats Pacquiao

A hotly debated, split-decision victory for U.S. welterweight Timothy Bradley ends the 15-fight winning streak of Filipino boxer Manny Pacquiao.

Australian Surfs to Victory

Joel "Parko" Parkinson wins his first Association of Surfing Professionals world championship title and the Pipeline Masters on the same day.

Williams Is Named ITF World Champion

For the third time, Serena Williams earns the World Champion women's prize from the International Tennis Federation.

Golfer Rory McIlroy Wins World Title

Northern Ireland's Rory McIlroy is the world's No. 1 golfer after winning the Deutsche Bank Championship and the BMW Championship.

L.A. Kings Play It Cool

In game six of the 2012 Stanley Cup Finals, the Los Angeles Kings skate to victory, defeating the New Jersey Devils 6-1.

Keselowski Wins NASCAR Championship

Despite finishing in 15th place in the Ford EcoBoost 400, Brad Keselowski claims the NASCAR Sprint Cup championship.

The Miami Heat Burn Up the Court

In game five of the 2012 NBA Finals, LeBron James and the Miami Heat defeat the Oklahoma City Thunder 121-106.
Baltimore Ravens Win Super Bowl XLVII

In a dramatic game interrupted by a power outage at the Superdome in New Orleans, the Ravens defeat the San Francisco 49ers 34-31.

LeBron Scores Another Award

Sports Illustrated names basketball superstar LeBron James of the Miami Heat their Sportsman of the Year for 2012.

Garrett Reynolds Rolls to Rule

In San Francisco, cyclist Garrett Reynolds takes home two Dew Cup championships for the BMX Street Cycle finals and the BMX Streetstyle competition.

Indiana Fever Jinx the Lynx

The Indiana Fever defeat the defending champion Minnesota Lynx 87-76 in game four of the 2012 WNBA Finals.

Stacy Lewis Is Queen of the Greens

U.S. professional golfer Stacy Lewis wins four LPGA titles, the most on the year's tour, and is named the LPGA Player of the Year.

World Series

The San Francisco Giants defeat the Detroit Tigers 4-3 in the 10th inning of game four to win the World Series in a sweep.

Paul Rodriguez Beats the Street

Paul Rodriguez (aka P-Rod) captures the gold in the Men's Skateboard Street final at X Games 18 in Los Angeles.

Andy Murray Serves Up a Winner

After losing four major finals, Scotland's Andy Murray wins the U.S. Open Men's Singles Championship by defeating defending champion Novak Djokovic.
Blake Shelton and Miranda Lambert Win Awards

At the 46th annual CMA awards, married couple Blake Shelton and Miranda Lambert take home the year's highest honors in country music.

fun. Releases Second Single

After the success of last year's "We Are Young," fun. has high hopes for its latest single, "Some Nights."

AMA Calls Carly

Carly Rae, whose song "Call Me Maybe" is a surprise hit, is named New Artist of the Year by the American Music Awards.

Ocean Considers Fiction

Breakout music star Frank Ocean tells an interviewer that he might write a novel because he enjoys the storytelling aspect of music.

Shakira Wins AMA Award

Colombia's global pop star Shakira wins her fourth AMA statuette, bringing home the award for Favorite Latin Artist.

PSY Is Most Watched

With more than 854 million hits, the viral video of "Gangnam Style" by Korean pop star PSY becomes the most-watched YouTube video of all time.

Two Grammy Nominations Go to Newcomers

The Lumineers, a folk-rock band from Denver, receive Grammy nominations for Best New Artist and Best Americana Album.

Pop Fans Love One Direction

After appearing at the Summer Olympics, the popular English-Irish boy band One Direction releases its second album, *Take Me Home."

Bryan Emerges as Rising Country Star

Singer-songwriter Luke Bryan's singles, like "Kiss Tomorrow Goodbye," are climbing the pop and country charts.
It’s Nicki Versus Mariah in “Idol” Feud

Dueling American Idol judges Nicki Minaj and Mariah Carey swap insults and threats on camera and via Twitter.

TobyMac Inspires AMA

The American Music Awards choose TobyMac as the year’s Favorite Contemporary Inspirational Artist.

Pink Enjoys a Career First

After 12 years in the music business, Pink finally achieves a No. 1 album with the success of her newest release, The Truth About Love.

Rapper Supports Veterans

Flo Rida contributes his talents to the “Got Your Six” campaign, which helps combat veterans return to civilian life.

CMA Celebrates Hayes

At age 21, Louisiana native and multi-instrumentalist country star Hunter Hayes is named Best New Artist at the CMA Awards.

Bieber Makes Headlines at AMA

Justin Bieber duets with Nicki Minaj, brings his mom up on stage and gets a kiss from Jenny McCarthy at the American Music Awards.

NEEDTOBREATHE Wins Dove Award

The South Carolina Christian music band NEEDTOBREATHE wins the Dove Award for Group of the Year.

Viewers Sing Cassadee’s Praises

Los Angeles-based solo artist Cassadee Pope garners the most viewer votes and becomes the first female winner of The Voice.

Taylor Swift Achieves a Record

With the release of Red, her fourth studio album, Taylor Swift is the first female artist to release two albums with sales of $1 million.
iPad Mini™ Debuts

Shortly before the holiday shopping season begins, Apple launches the iPad mini, a small tablet computer.

Electronic Gamers Cheer FIFA Soccer 13

The latest version of the popular game allows players to analyze plays and create new offensive opportunities.

Nintendo Opens Virtual Theme Park

Gamers and their Mii™ characters explore NintendoLand, a virtual theme park featuring attractions based on Nintendo game worlds.

Boom Cube Turns Up the Volume

The powerful, miniature Boom Cube™ speaker hangs from a keychain and sets your MP3 tunes free from your earbuds.

Jump Up and Just Dance 4

Just Dance® 4 is the latest version of the chart-topping dance game, featuring new songs, new workouts and six rounds of dance-off battles.

Gamers Welcome Wii U™

Nintendo releases its new Wii U game console, which features high-definition graphics, an embedded touchscreen and up to 32 GB of Flash storage.

Consumers Consider New High-Resolution MacBook®

Apple’s 13-inch MacBook Pro® with Retina display features a stunning, high-resolution screen and an equally stunning $1,700 price tag.

Furby™ Talks Back

The fuzzy Furby toy returns, with sophisticated technology that allows this chatty, lovable toy to learn to tell jokes and play games.

Readers Hail Return of Teen Demigods

Novelist Rick Riordan publishes The Mark of Athena, the third book in his popular series, The Heroes of Olympus.

Teen with Cancer Narrates Novel

The Fault In Our Stars is a fiction bestseller about a romance between teens who meet in a cancer support group.
Teens Discover Their True Identities

Switched at Birth is a popular television drama on ABC Family about two girls, one rich and one poor, who learn they were switched as infants.

Viewers Flock to Rags-to-Riches Reality Show

Duck Dynasty on A&E introduces the eccentric Robertson clan, which made its millions by making and selling duck calls.

Beastly Drama Is People's Choice

Beauty & The Beast, a drama about a homicide detective with a puzzling and tragic past, wins the People's Choice award for Best New TV Drama.

Learning Step by Step

A former ballerina turned Las Vegas showgirl must start a new life as a small town dance teacher in Bunheads on ABC Family.

Honey Boo Boo Makes the Most Fascinating List

Seven-year-old reality star Alana Thompson, better known as "Honey Boo Boo," makes Barbara Walters' list of the year's most fascinating people.

Bigfoot Remains at Large

Finding Bigfoot is a reality program that follows investigators as they search the wilderness for evidence that Bigfoot is real.

An Eccentric English Sleuth Comes to New York

Jonny Lee Miller's Sherlock solves cases in New York, with help from Lucy Liu's Dr. Joan Watson in Elementary, a new CBS drama.

American Audiences Love English Costume Drama

The eagerly awaited third season of Downton Abbey on PBS features a guest appearance by Shirley MacLaine as a wealthy American mother-in-law.
The People Choose Jennifer Lawrence

Jennifer Lawrence, star of The Hunger Games series and Silver Linings Playbook, wins the Favorite Movie Actress award in the People’s Choice Awards.

James Stars in Here Comes the Boom

Kevin James stars as a burned-out biology teacher turned mixed martial arts hero in the feature film Here Comes the Boom.

Downey Dons Hero Suit a Third Time

Robert Downey Jr. returns as Tony Stark to face new enemies and overcome new challenges in Iron Man 3.

A Wizard Finds His Way

In Oz: The Great and Powerful, James Franco stars as a small-time magician who is transported to the Land of Oz.

Caveman Family Discovers the World

Ryan Reynolds and Emma Stone lend their voices to The Croods, a 3D computer-animated comedy adventure about the world’s first family.

How Superman Began

Henry Cavill stars as Clark Kent, a journalist who is baffled by his superhuman powers. He finds his life’s purpose when evil invaders attack the world in Man of Steel.

Bond Breaks a Record

Skyfall, starring Daniel Craig as Agent 007, makes $87.8 million in its first weekend, the most successful opening of any Bond film.

Heroes Unite in Rise of the Guardians

Fans of fantasy flocks head to the theaters for Rise of the Guardians, a 3D animated film from DreamWorks Animation based on the popular book series.

Grandparents Need Guidance

Bette Midler and Billy Crystal star as traditional grandparents who are baffled by their grandkids in Parental Guidance.
Wallflower Blooms on Big Screen

The Perks of Being a Wallflower, adapted from the book of the same title, tells the story of a shy high school freshman and his quirky friends.

Breaking Dawn Breaks Box Office Records

The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn — Part 2, the finale to the vampire romance series, is No. 1 at the box office for three weeks in a row.

Downey Is a Fan Favorite

Voters for the People's Choice Awards choose Iron Man star Robert Downey, Jr. as the year's Favorite Movie Actor.

College Singers Perfect Their Pitch

In Pitch Perfect, Anna Kendrick stars as a college student who inspires a mismatched a cappella singing group to achieve hilarity and harmony.

Soundtrack Album Tops Charts

The movie soundtrack for Les Misérables, featuring performances by Anne Hathaway and Amanda Seyfried, reaches the No. 1 spot on the Billboard 200 chart.

Fans Root for Wreck-It Ralph

In the animated feature film Wreck-It Ralph, an arcade game character wants to be a hero instead of a bad guy, but his well-intentioned plans go haywire.

It's a Wonderful Life of Pi

Nineteen-year-old Suraj Sharma stars in the movie adaptation of Life of Pi, about a teenager and a Bengal tiger who survive a shipwreck.

Bilbo Baggins Journeys to Theaters

The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey is the first of three films adapted from J.R.R. Tolkien's novel about a reluctant adventurer in Middle Earth.
Minis Are Major
Little dresses and short skirts go over jeans and leggings by day. At night, they go solo for dances and dates.

YOLO
“YOLO” Is Favorite Catchphrase
Rapper Drake and actor Zac Efron popularize YOLO, an acronym standing for “you only live once.” Time magazine names it one of the year’s top buzzwords.

Cowboy Boots Are Cool Again
Western style makes a comeback on runways and campuses. Classic cowboy boots are paired with short skirts or cropped pants.

Trends Point to Nail Art
Adhesive nail-art kits make outrageous manicures easy and affordable. Options include animal patterns, stripes, polka dots, images and more.

LED Headlights Turn Heads
Drivers who love making their cars stand out on the street add LED headlight strips to create colorful, futuristic effects.

Color Sneaks onto Sneakers
Basic footwear takes a back seat as brightly colored and patterned high-tops and athletic shoes emerge as must-have accessories for school and weekend style.

Tees Get the Message Out
The graphic tee trend becomes a personal expression obsession. Shirts feature favorite lyrics, Internet memes, irreverent graphics and witty jokes.

Taco Bell Considers More Doritos® Dishes
After the success of Taco Bell’s Doritos Locos Taco, the fast food chain drops hints that a new Cool Ranch version is coming next.

Infinity Scarf Is Endless Trend
The must-have neckwear accessory is the circular infinity scarf, which loops around the neck to add color, texture and warmth.
Baseball Caps Are Tops with Girls
The flat-brim baseball cap trend is popularized by celebrities like Rihanna. The casual style is perfect for hiding from the paparazzi.

Hoodies Are Hot
For every guy, there’s a hoodie: athletic hoodies for jocks, rock band hoodies for fans and humorous hoodies for class clowns.

It’s a Plaid, Plaid World
Fashionistas go mad for plaid. The trend starts on designer runways and quickly makes its way to fashion outlets in malls and online.

Duct Tape Inspires Creative Types
Crafty tweens and teens use tough, colorful duct tape to make purses, wallets, decorations, jewelry, fashion accessories and even formal wear.

Backpacks Are Global Chic
Boring backpacks take a back seat to colorful patterns inspired by traditional graphic motifs from around the world.

Footwear Moonlights as Basketball Coach
Sensors in the soles of Nike+ Basketball shoes track the wearer’s every move and sync stats to the player’s iPhone.

Jeans Are Anything but Blue
Traditional blues are timeless classics but the newest skinny denims feature bold colors, feminine prints and modern patterns.

Glitter Gets a Foot in Fashion’s Door
The trend for “glitter shoes,” featuring sequins and sparkles, includes glue-it-yourself sneakers, sky-high designer platforms and everything in between.

JUST SAYIN’
Adults Find Expression Annoying
Teens use “Just sayin’” to minimize an expression of criticism or sarcasm. The phrase ranks highly on a Marist Poll surveying the most irritating words and phrases.
Facebook snaps up Instagram and its 80 million users. The social media site clicks with teens, ranking as the top photography destination among ages 12 to 17.

MoviePass™ Sends Fans Back to Theaters

MoviePass gives film lovers the chance to save money by seeing up to one movie per day in theaters for one low monthly fee.

Nike Motivates with Fuelband

Nike has launched a new tool called Nike+ Fuelband™. This technology tool lets users know how active they are and reminds them to achieve their fitness goals.

Pop Is Personal with New Coke Machine

The Freestyle Coke machine lets customers mix their own flavor combinations from more than 100 choices.

Pinterest Attracts Interest

Pinterest is a social media phenomenon. Users "pin" images and share virtual bulletin boards about fashion, food, travel and sports.

Apple iPhone 5 Sees Record-breaking Sales

The Apple® iPhone® 5 sells more than five million units in its first three days, setting a new record for opening weekend sales.

Zumba® Is the Trendy Fitness Class

The Latin-inspired dance-fitness classes known as Zumba deliver hot music, cool moves, serious fitness and tons of fun.

Classrooms Connect via Smartphone

Teachers use QR Codes, which can be scanned by smartphones, to deliver class information and assignments to students.

Uganda Documentary Is Most Viral Video

Justin Bieber and Oprah help to make Kony 2012, a documentary about child soldiers, attract more than 100 million views in its first six days online.