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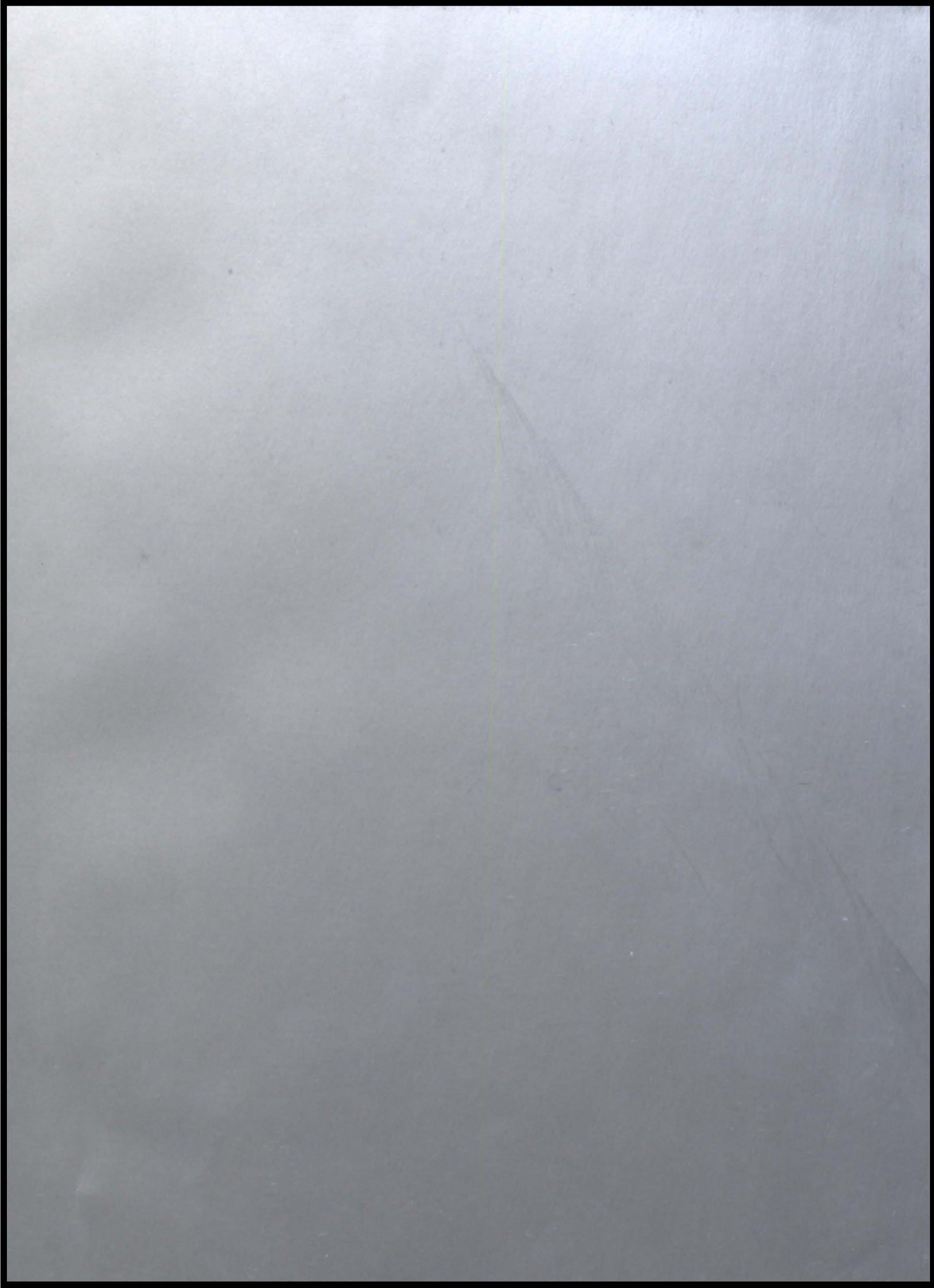
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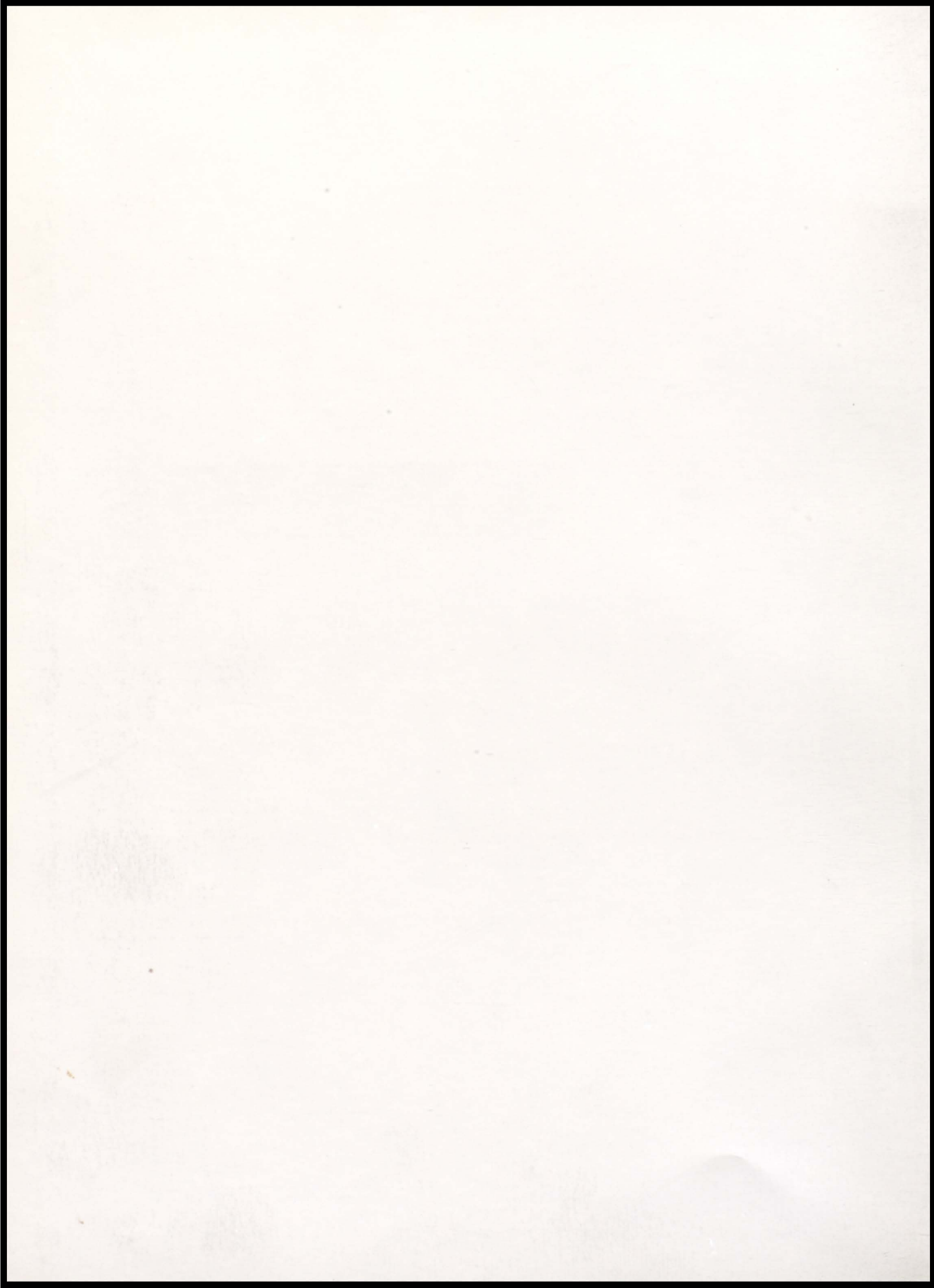














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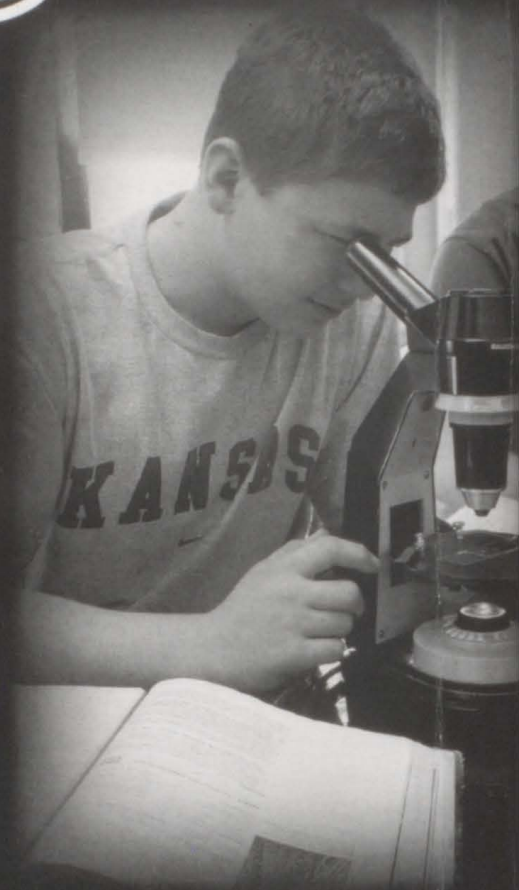


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A popular advertisement on television in the mid-2000's was the Mastercard Priceless commercials. They listed the dollar amounts of several things, but summed up that the experience was "priceless."

What makes something priceless? We believe that memories made, lessons learned, and times remembered make our time at Troy High School priceless.





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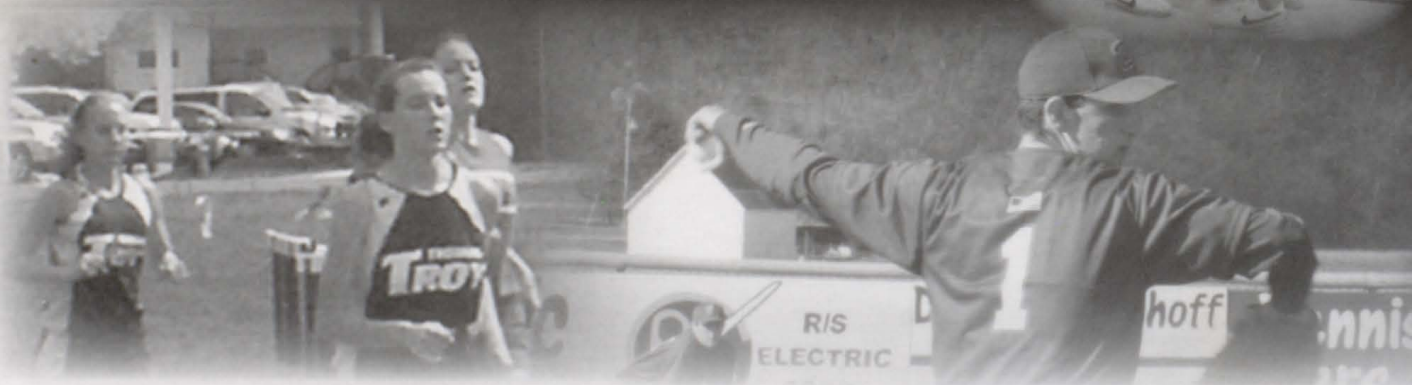
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# Sports priceless

The Troy community was proud of its athletic teams, whether they were ranked first or last in their league. The athletic department grew with the addition of softball and baseball.





**leotard \$30 under-armour \$50 volleyball kneepads \$20**

**ball glove \$90 sweatshirt \$40 pom-poms \$26 sliding shorts \$20**

**football cleats \$60 team shirt \$12 face paint \$1.99**





# Spirit gets started at... Late Night

Late Night has been a tradition for several years. It is a pep rally that kicks off the year by introducing all the athletes in a fall sport, including the cheerleaders and dancers.

August 24 people filled the bleachers with great enthusiasm. Both spirit squads went together and bought "spirit" items, such as clappers and megaphones, to throw out to the crowd.

The rally started with an opening chant from the cheerleaders. The dancers performed two routines, a hip-hop dance to "Run-It" and a pom dance to "Rock & Roll all Night."

As each sport was recognized, each individual got to run out as his or her name was called. Once everyone's name was announced, the team captains spoke a few words of inspiration. Then, the teams would do their "chant" before returning to their seats.

Senior football player Kodie Koehler said, "I really liked how the crowd got into the pep rally this year. More students were involved than in the past. School spirit has gotten a lot better; people actually started to care about our school. The community got more involved, which helped out a lot."

Every parent of the football players received a small football, the parents of the volleyball players received little volleyballs, and the cross country runners' parents received little megaphones. The dancers' parents all got dance pins with a dancer on them and the cheerleaders' parents received cups with "cheerleader" printed on the side.

"Late Night kicked off the year with a renewed sense of school spirit and pride. The cheerleaders and dancers worked hard to make the event a success. The community response was outstanding. The support from everyone continued to be wonderful," said cheerleading sponsor Stacy Kahnt.



The Troy High School varsity and junior varsity football teams scrimmage against each other. This is the first game-like situation for the boys, and the first performance the community is able to watch. Photo by Kacie Fenley

*Senior Captains  
reflect on season*



*I am very proud of my teammates. I'll never forget what we accomplished."  
- Andrew Dominguez, Football*



*"We improved throughout the season. We all stuck together even when times got tough." - Whitney Franken, Volleyball*



*"The team really excelled this year. I am proud of all our accomplishments." - Janie Simpson, Cross Country*





*Freshman Hana Speaks performs a cheer during the Late Night pep rally. "I thought it was fun. It was a great way to start off the fall sports," said Hana. Photo by Jordan Libel*

Freshman Hannah Simpson performs to "Rock & Roll All Night." "I was really nervous at first, but once we got out there I relaxed and just did the dance," said Hannah about her first performance as a dancer. Photo by Kacie Fenley

*Spirit  
and  
Pride*



Above: Junior Courtney Turpin has a good time at Late Night. She and Heather Wetmore were co-captains of the cheerleading squad. The cheerleaders performed several cheers to get the crowd pumped up. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Above Right: Sophomore Colin Greaser gets ready to walk out onto the football field to begin the soap scrimmage. This was the first time the boys got to scrimmage each other in front of a crowd. After the scrimmage, the boys got ready for the pep rally. Photo by Janie Simpson



Upper Left: Jena Johnson, Kara Masters, and Courtney Turpin watch Jordan Libel as she passes the ball during the volleyball scrimmage before Late Night. The girls scrimmaged varsity vs. jv and then mixed up the teams and played another game. Photo by Janie Simpson

Left: Senior Lyndsi Christopher and junior Jena Johnson perform "Run It" by Chris Brown during the Late Night pep rally. The dancers learned the choreography from a private dance camp instructor during the summer. Photo by Kacie Fenley



# Serving our way to the top.....Volleyball

"A positive point this volleyball season was when we beat KCC at their place."



Courtney Turpin



Jena Johnson

"The most positive point was winning our bracket in the DVL tournament."

The Lady Trojans started out strong during the pre-season DVL tournament at McLouth High School. They began the day with a victory, beating the Horton Chargers in two games. The girls advanced to the championship bracket, seeded number one in their pool. The Lady Trojans' next opponent was close rival, Doniphan West. The girls played well, but lost in three games.

Because of the lack of varsity experience, only four varsity letter winners returned, the team depended on underclassmen to step up and fill some big roles.

The girls traveled most of the season, having

only two home games. They also participated in the Hiawatha and Atchison invitationals.

Because Troy dropped to 1A, the Lady Trojans traveled to Burlingame, to compete in 1A Regionals. The first match, which the girls won in two games, was against Elwood. Up next was Wetmore. This match resulted in a devastating loss, ending the Lady Trojans' season.

Two Lady Trojans came away with post-season honors. Senior Whitney Franken received All-League honors, and junior Jena Johnson received All-League Honorable Mention honors.

"I believe the highlight of the season was finishing tied for sixth place in the league. We had wins over Wathena, McLouth, KCC, and Horton," said Head Volleyball Coach Kevin McNorton.

## THS Volleyball 2006

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Horton	2-0	KC Christian	1-2
McLouth	0-2	Valley Falls	0-2
Doniphan West	1-2	Marysville	0-2
Horton	0-2	Marysville	0-2
Pleasant Ridge	1-2	Jackson Heights	0-2
Doniphan West	0-2	McLouth	1-2
McLouth	2-0	ACCHS	0-2
JCN	0-2	Maur Hill/MA	2-0
B&B	0-2	Doniphan West	0-2
Atchison	1-2	Atchison	0-2
Hiawatha	0-2	JCN	0-2
Wathena	1-2	Horton	2-0
Wathena	2-0	Elwood	2-0
Oskaloosa	1-2	Wetmore	0-2
KC Christian	2-0		



Above, clockwise from left: Courtney Turpin, Jena Johnson, Jordan Libel, Hannah Simpson and Whitney Franken huddle during a break in the volleyball game against Kansas City Christian. The Lady Trojans lost in three games but beat KCC a week prior in two quick games. Photo by Janie Simpson





Junior Heather Wetmore is in serve-receive position. Wetmore played both defensive specialist and setter positions. Photo by Janie Simpson



Junior Jordan Libel displays perfect setting form as she sets to the back row. Photo by Janie Simpson.

Jena Johnson and Kara Masters go for the ball during regionals against Wetmore. Photo by Ashley Weis.



## 2006 Trojan Volleyball Team

Front Row: Kara Masters and Whitney Franken. Row 2: Alyssa Ashworth, Hannah Simpson, Kia Grable, Bree Martinez, and Elizabeth Tharman. Row 3: Desiree Weatherford, Hana Speaks, Heather Wetmore, and Sarah Greub. Row 4: Assistant Coach Amy Schmille, Ashley Weis, Jena Johnson, Bailey Morgan, Jordan Libel, Courtney Turpin, and Head Coach Kevin McNorton



# Catch us if you can... Cross Country

"I felt that we had a great CC season. The girls team really stepped it up. It was a great year."



Kameron Duncan



Hana Speaks

"...All the girls made the sport so much fun. We grew really close. We'll miss you next year Janie!"

The Trojan Cross Country team consisted of eight guys and eight girls. Half of the team were returning from last year. This was an exciting year to be a part of the team as they qualified and competed for state for the first time in 11 years.

Coach Larry Sandy said, "The girls had a great season as they finished 2nd at Regionals and 7th at State."

To prepare for their season, the runners had a team dinner.

To practice, they ran every day after school for about an hour.

**"I've learned some life lessons this cross country season: no matter how fast you go, if your medal is 'platinum' or if it's 'gold,' your team will still lead you as long as you follow. And if you don't think a childhood game (follow the leader) will take you far, we've got a regionals plaque that will prove you wrong!"**

**-Kaitly Jordan**

All that hard work eventually paid off. The regionals were held at Riley Co., October 21. The team placed second, qualifying for state.

The state meet was at Wamego October 28. During this meet, several of the runners broke their personal best times.

At the end of the year freshman runner Hana Speaks received first-team all-league honors, and Jena Johnson received second-team all-league for their performance during the season.

## Personal Best Times

### Boys

Kameron Duncan	18:49	5,000 M
Kenneth Tharman	19:47	5,000 M
Brent Leger	21:03	5,000 M
Levi Jenkins	21:23	5,000 M
Tim Griffin	22:01	5,000 M
Matt Ploeger	23:21	5,000 M

### Girls

Hana Speaks	17:05	4,000 M
Kayla Martinez	18:05	4,000 M
Jena Johnson	18:21	4,000 M
Janie Simpson	19:21	4,000 M
Desiree Weatherford	19:47	4,000 M
Kaitlyn Jordan	20:20	4,000 M
Madi Twombly	20:32	4,000 M



Kayla Martinez, Janie Simpson, Desiree Weatherford, Kaitlyn Jordan, and Madi Twombly take a run during practice while attempting to hide from the camera. Photo by Matt Doolan





Left: Senior Brent Leger runs hard at the Nemaha Valley meet, garnering a time of 21:38. Photo by Janie Simpson



Left: The girls' team prays before the first meet of the season. This was a ritual they participated in at every meet. Photo by Morgan Lister

Below: Kayla Martinez, Kleslie Ostertag, Hana Speaks, Desiree Weatherford, Kameron Duncan, Jena Johnson, and Janie Simpson listen to Coach Sandy, not pictured. Photo by Matt Doolan



## 2006 Trojan Cross Country

Front row: Kayla Martinez, Leslie Ostertag, Lyndsi Christopher, Brent Leger, Janie Simpson, Hana Speaks, and Heather Adkins.

Row 2: Levi Jenkins, Madi Twombly, Tim Griffin, Kameron Duncan, Kaitlyn Jordan, and Coach Larry Sandy.

"I am so proud of all the runners. The girls' team bonded from the first practice, and our times showed it. We ran for each other and placed our best, and we made it to state for the first time as a team in 11 years!" - Janie Simpson



# It's a Mean Machine... Football

"It was a great season. I loved it because I got to play with my friends for my final year in high school."



Kodie Koehler



King Cole Whestine

"I think we had a great season. I believe we put a great amount of effort in this season, and it paid off...."

November 20, a proud legacy and tradition continued at Troy High-five straight years of entrance into the Delaware Valley League play-offs.

Coach Steve Martin said, "I had a great time coaching this year's football team. We won the DVL championship and made our 5th straight trip to the play-offs. The season didn't end the way we wanted it to, but I believe that these guys will have many memories of this season that they can take with them for the rest of their lives,

and that's what it is all about."

## "Trojan Fight Song"

On Trojans, down the field,  
Fight on for Troy High.

And may our school be victori-  
ous,  
We'll never say die.

And with the glory and honor  
Of Troy's sons' great might

We'll fight and win for our  
colors,  
The Blue and White!

After losing twice to Doniphan West the previous year, the Trojans also regained their pride by soundly defeating the Mustangs, 26-14. They were also the first team in Trojan history to go 9 and 0.

The Trojans made a total of 286 points during the season, with 3,272 offensive yards, 2,705 of those yards rushing yards, showing their fans what "Smashmouth Football" is all about.

## 2006 Season Scores

### Trojans

Troy vs McLouth	41-21
Troy vs JCN	41-29
Troy vs Pleasant Ridge	34-13
Troy vs Wathena	25-12
Troy vs Oskaloosa	27-6
Troy vs Valley Falls	20-0
Troy vs Centrailla	30-19
Troy vs Doniphan West <sup>1</sup>	26-14
Troy vs Frankfort <sup>2</sup>	28-6
Troy vs Washington Co. <sup>3</sup>	13-20

<sup>1</sup> DVL Champions (8-0)

<sup>2</sup> 2-1A District Chamions (9-0)

<sup>3</sup> Sectionals (9-1)



The Trojan defense, including the "Pain Train," Cole Whestine and Wade Klaus, gets ready to roll against the Jefferson County North Chargers. Photo by Kacie Fenley



Left: The Trojan offensive line gets ready to take on the Pleasant Ridge defense. Photo by Matt Doolan



Post-Season Honors

DVL All-League

Defense, 1st Team: Cole Whestine, Andrew Dominguez, and Kelby Koehler. Defense, 2nd Team: Jesse Marriott and Caylor Luther  
 Honorable Mention: Kodie Kohler. Offense, 1st Team: Cole Whestine, Wade Klaus, and Kelby Koehler. Honorable Mention: Caylor Luther.  
 Special Teams, 1st Team: Auten Huss

All-State

1st Team Class 2A All State Offensive Linemen Cole Whestine;  
 Honorable Mention Defensive Line Andrew Dominguez; Honorable  
 Mention Defensive Back Caylor Luther; Honorable Mention Running  
 back and Linebacker Kelby Koehler.

Below: The Trojans huddle after the game to sing the "Fight Song." This has been a Trojan tradition for many years. Photo by Kacie Fenley



## 2006 Trojan Football

Front row: Wade Klaus, Kodie Koehler, Kelby Koehler, Kevin Luedke, Drew Grable, Cole Whestine, Andrew Dominguez. Row 2: Jesse Masters, Cale Cluck, Jacob Clary, Randall Baskins, Ross Libel. Row 3: Levi Jenkins, Colin Greaser, Tim Griffin, Josh Hendrix, Kameron Duncan. Row 4: Riley Whestine, Ken Tharman, Caylor Luther, Auten Huss, Jesse Marriott, Matt Ploeger. Row 5: Assistant Coach Jonathan Winder, Head Coach Steve Martin, Assistant Coach Jonny Gould.



# Aloha, Trojan spirit

## Homecoming

Spirit week began with an "Aloha" to Trojan spirit. Monday everyone dressed up in their Hawaiian outfit for Hawaiian Day. Tuesday students dressed in their favorite sport outfits, Wednesday they dressed in camouflage, and Thursday they wore retro outfits. Friday everyone showed their Trojan pride by wearing their Trojan colors on Blue-and-White Day.

Tuesday night the sophomore and the junior girls took on the freshman and senior girls in the Powder Puff football game. The coaches were the junior and senior football boys, and the cheerleaders were the freshman football boys. The halftime entertainment consisted of the senior football boys dancing to "Feel Like a Woman" by Shania Twain. The sophomores and juniors beat the freshman and seniors.

Homecoming Day started with the senior art students painting the football field during first and second hours. Each class had been busy working on their class floats all week long, and Friday morning they brought their floats to the school and parked them on the track. The freshman class won the Homecoming float contest with the theme "Hawaiian Punch the Rams."

During the pep rally, the cheerleaders had the Homecoming candidates compete in a game. The coaches competed against the team captains in a hula contest. Coach Steve Martin got every one pumped up by his speech.

The Homecoming candidates were Lyndsi Christopher, Andrew Domniguez, Whitney Franken, Kelby Koehler, Kara Masters, Kodie Koehler, Janie Simpson, and Cole Whetstine. The kindergarten attendants were Alyssa Schmille, Chantel Duncan, Kendrick Jeschke, and Christian Umphenour. Courtney Turpin and Whitney Sutton helped the attendants during the ceremony. Cole Whetstine and Janie Simpson were crowned Homecoming King and Queen before the game Friday. The Trojans won the game against the Pleasant Ridge Rams 34-13.

After the game, student council held a Hawaiian-themed dance that lasted until midnight.



Above: THS senior art students designed the layout for the football field and also painted the field the morning of the football game. "When we first started to paint the field it was stressful because there was so much to get done, but it was a great experience," said Ashley Huntsman. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher



*"It was fun hanging out with all of my classmates." -Caylor Luther*



*"I love getting to act crazy for a few days during spirit week." -Jessica Watkins*



*"The crowd gave the kids confidence heading into the game." -Coach Martin*

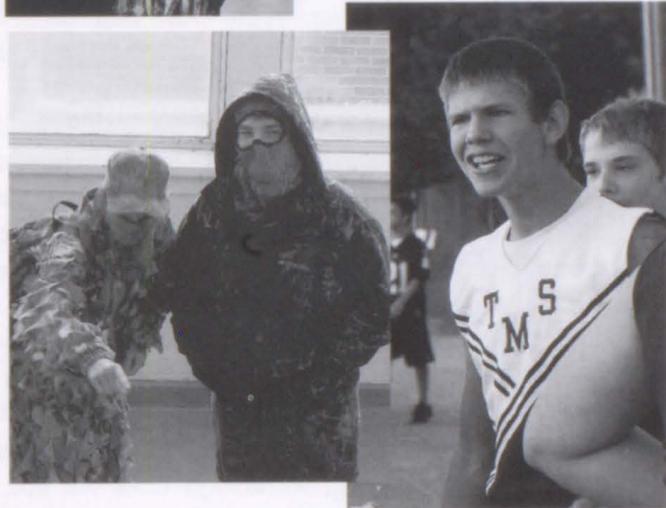




*Cole Whetstone and Janie Simpson were crowned Homecoming King and Queen with attendants Kendrick Jeschke and Christian Umphenour. Photo by Kacie Fenley*

Below: During spirit week many of the kids dressed up to show their school spirit. Cameron Blanton dresses in his best retro outfit. He is dressed as Wayne from "Wayne's World." Photo by Lyndsi Christopher

*Spirit Week shows uniqueness at THS*



Above Middle: For spirit week students dressed in camouflage on Wednesday. Jena Johnson and Brandon Smith spotted a fellow student that they had been "hunting" all day. They were both wearing camouflage outfits from head to toe. Johnson was also carrying around a camo backpack. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Above Right: Kenneth Tharman and Jacob Clary cheer on the girls during the Powder Puff football game. The cheerleaders taught them many cheers to pump up the crowd. They wore complete cheerleading uniforms, with which they wore a shirt and shorts underneath. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Middle Left: After the Homecoming pep-rally on Main Street, football players Auten Huss, Kelby Koehler, Drew Grable, and Kodie Koehler ride uptown in a truck to cruise Main to get pumped up before the football game. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Left: During the Powder Puff football game Tuesday evening Whitney Sutton tries to avoid getting her flag pulled off by Whitney Morgan with the help of Courtney Turpin. The sophomore-junior team won the game. Photo by Kacie Fenley





# Cheer and Dance raise...

# SPIRIT

From the beginning of the fall sports season, raising school spirit was a major priority for the cheer and dance teams. Because of this, both the spirit squads were constantly on the go.

The cheerleaders kicked off the year with the Late Night pep-rally. This was the first pep-rally of the year, so the girls had to work hard in preparation.

The cheerleaders sold soy candles, made by Gene Overdick, as a fundraiser to purchase new tops for their uniform.

The cheerleaders kept very busy. From Friday night football games to two-night-a-week basketball games to organizing every pep rally, the cheerleaders were constantly on the go.

"I enjoyed hanging out with the girls on the squad, yelling loud for the Trojans, and just having a great time acting dumb when we had nothing better to do," said co-captain Heather Wetmore.

The dance season began a bit earlier. A car-wash fundraiser, held in the Auto Zone parking lot, in the summer helped fund dance shirts and hoodies for all the girls.

The dancers' first performance was at the Relay 4 Life in Highland. They performed to "Rock & Roll All Night," which was a routine they learned during camp earlier in the summer. The private dance camp was held in the high school in the gymnasium. A Universal Dance Association dancer came and taught the team several dances to use throughout the year.

The dance team continued entertaining the crowd during the home games for football and basketball. Since the girls only practiced one night a week, there was a lot of crunch time to get a routine together.

Reflecting on the year, co-captain Lyndsi Christopher said, "Dance team is always quite the experience; we always have our ups and downs, but, in the end, we are a team. We had a lot of fun, especially doing extra activities like the Kiddie Clinic. It was a great group of girls to dance with my senior year and I will miss them."



Front Row: Jesse Marriott, Madi Twombly, Caylor Luther, Whitney Sutton, Kelby Koehler, Whitney Franken, Lyndsi Christopher, Kevin Luedke, Janie Simpson and Riley Whetstone. Row 2: Jena Johnson, Colin Greaser, Ethan Robinson, Hannah Simpson, Jordan Libel and Kenneth Tharman. Photo by Matt Doolan



*Sophomore Ashley Weis leads a chant in the frigid cold during a football game against Frankfort.*



*Brittany Wetmore strikes a pose during a cheer at the football game against the McLouth Bulldogs.*



*While performing the team-building exercise "Magic Boots," the dancers try not to drop Hannah Simpson.*



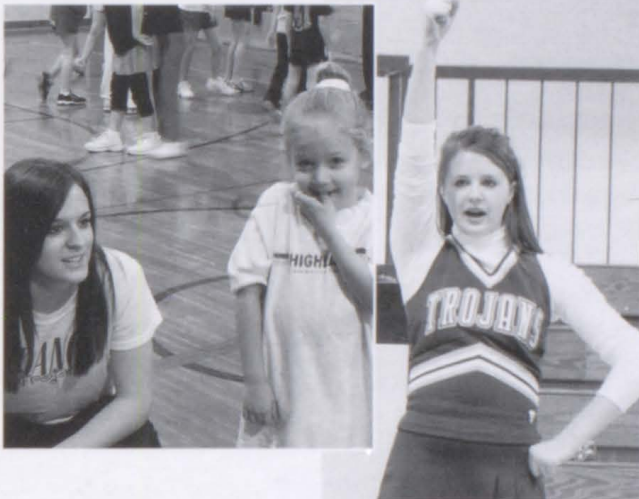


Heather Wetmore, Courtney Turpin, and Brittany Wetmore hold Ashley Weis in a stunt during a cheer at the pep rally for the football boys' bi-district game. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Junior Madi Twombly performs a move during a dance at halftime of the boys' varsity game. Twombly was a dancer all three years of high school and was enrolled in dance classes as a young girl. Photo by Kacie Fenley



## Spreading the Trojan Spirit



Above Left: Whitney Sutton helps Taylor Peden at the Kiddie Clinic. The dancers taught two age groups dances to perform at halftime of a later game. A Christmas theme took place as the young girls danced to "All I Want for Christmas is My Two Front Teeth" while the older girls danced to "Hippopotamus for Christmas." Photo by Janie Simpson

Above Right: Freshman Kia Grable performs a cheer during a football pep rally. The football boys were about to compete in the bi-district football game against Washington. "Football season was a lot of fun. I enjoyed road trips," said Grable. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Middle Left: Cheerleader Courtney Turpin hangs a sign for the Trojan football players before a game. The community was invited for the "decoration party" to help promote school spirit. Turpin was a co-captain for the Trojan Cheer squad. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher

Left: The cheerleading squad sits on the back of a truck during the Fourth of July parade. The girls started off the "spirit" season early by throwing out candy and getting rowdy during the parade held on Main Street in Troy. The parade is an annual event in which both cheer and dance squads participate. Photo by Stacy Kahnt





# Take it to the hoop...Basketball

"I thought basketball was great. The team worked hard and played well together."



Bailey Morgan



Kacie Fenley

"Basketball was fun this year. I had a blast with all of the girls and wish that it would have lasted longer."

The Lady Trojan basketball team ended their season 11-10, with a record of 5-5 in the DVL. The Lady Trojans started off rough with a 0-2 record going into the DVL pre-season tournament. They left the tournament 2-2, beating McLouth and Jackson Heights. This started the Lady Trojans on a five-game winning streak. It was the longest streak of the season. The Lady Trojans also won five games on their home floor.

The two biggest wins for the Trojans were an overtime win against Doniphan West, 47-44, and that over the Wathena Wildcats, 37-34. The Lady Trojans also accomplished beating Jackson Heights three times in one season.

**"Respect  
all. Fear  
no one."**

"I had a lot of fun this year. Our record was better and we all got along," said senior guard Kara Masters.

At the Hiawatha Tournament the Lady Trojans didn't do as well as expected. They lost the first two games to Falls City and Hiawatha. They won the 7th-place game against Jackson Heights.

"This basketball season was so fun. It was wonders better than last year because we won more games. I loved playing with the girls because we actually got along. We played as a team and helped each other get better. It was a great season and I look forward to next year," said junior guard Whitney Sutton.

## Season Scores

Wathena	43-57
Valley Falls	33-43
Jackson Heights	43-31
McLouth	39-29
Doniphan West	47-44
Elwood	46-29
Wetmore	51-32
Oskaloosa	41-45
Immaculata	38-30
JCN	42-21
Wathena	37-34
Falls City	38-53
Hiawatha	24-42
Jackson Heights	40-34
McLouth	42-26
Pleasant Ridge	41-45
KCC	30-46
Jackson Heights	47-28
Valley Falls	33-35
Horton	40-54
Wetmore	39-45



Above: Courtney Turpin and Whitney Sutton fight for a rebound against the KCC Panthers. Turpin led the team in rebounding with 108. Photo by Matt Doolan





Left: Whitney Franken, Whitney Morgan and Kacie Fenley fight for a loose ball with an opposing player. Photo by Matt Doolan



Middle: Whitney Sutton brings the ball up the court with the help of Whitney Franken setting a pic on the defender. Photo by Matt Doolan

Below: Junior Jena Johnson looks to pass the basketball to a teammate while Kara Masters waits for a pass. Photo by Matt Doolan



## Lady Trojans

Front row: Heather Wetmore. Row 2: Desiree Weatherford, Hana Speaks, Whitney Sutton, Bree Martinez, Brittany Wetmore. Row 3: Head Coach Derek Jasper, Kara Masters, Hannah Simpson, Kia Grable, Courtney Turpin, Assistant Coach Kevin McNorton. Row 4: Whitney Morgan, Whitney Franken, Kacie Fenley, Bailey Morgan, Jena Johnson.

"We met our goal of having a winning season and had a couple of great home victories," said Coach Derek Jasper.



# Nathin' but net...Basketball

"This basketball season was great. It was my first year on the team and it was amazing!"



Colby Miller



Colin Greaser

"We had a great season ... We would've liked it to end differently but we all had a great time."

The Trojan basketball team surprised the Delaware Valley League, winning fifteen games in the regular season.

The team consisted of only two seniors, two juniors, four sophomores, and three freshmen. Coach Joel Kahnt was proud of their determination on the court during games and practices.

"They played hard every night and worked as a team. I am very proud of them."

A highlight of the season was narrowly beating rivals Wathena and Doniphan West.

The team scored 1,353 points and averaged 56.4 points per game. The leading scorer was Kevin Luedke with 335 points on the season and a 14 points-per-

game average. Overall the Trojans had a successful season with 769 rebounds, 296 assists, and 205 steals.

Even after a harrowing start in the DVL tournament, the Trojans still came together to become the first-ever boys team to be regional champions. They advanced to sub-state play in Beloit, Kansas, only to come home after a loss to St. Johns of Beloit.

"Basketball doesn't build character, it reveals it."

-Author Unknown

## THS Basketball 2007

Troy vs Wathena	61-60	Troy vs St. Marys	64-58
Troy vs McLouth	49-40	Troy vs Horton	64-50
Troy vs Doniphan West*	65-54	Troy vs McLouth	63-51
Troy vs JCN*	50-51	Troy vs Pleasant Ridge	73-55
Troy vs Jackson Hts*	63-76	Troy vs KCC	59-48
Troy vs Doniphan West	51-43	Troy vs Jackson Heights	52-61
Troy vs Elwood	52-49	Troy vs Valley Falls	57-50
Troy vs Wetmore	42-41	Troy vs Horton	77-78
Troy vs Oskaloosa	58-48	Troy vs Seabury**	61-33
Troy vs Immaculata	53-72	Troy vs Elwood**	50-29
Troy vs JCN	45-48		
Troy vs Wathena	40-53	* DVL Tourney	
Troy vs Marysville	60-72	** Regionals	



Above: Colin Greaser and Kelby Koehler get airborne to block a shot from the Panther's forward. The Trojans defeated the Panthers both games. Photo by Matt Doolan.





Left: Jesse Marriott launches a jump shot from the three point line over the head of the defender. Photo by Matt Doolan



Left: The team huddles before a game at Nemaha Valley. At the beginning of every game the Trojans would come together and get themselves ready for the impending battle. Photo by Jordan Libel



Below: The Trojans prepare to fight for a rebound against Elwood. Photo by Janie Simpson



## 2007 Basketball Team

Row 1: Jesse Masters, Kelby Koehler, Colin Greaser, Riley Whestine, Colby Miller, and Ross Libel.

Row 2: Head Coach Joel Kahnt, Jesse Marriott, Caylor Luther, Kevin Luedke, Ethan Robinson, Matt Ploeger, and Assistant Coach Larry Sandy.



# Royalty of the Rims Queen of Courts

Wade Klaus and Whitney Franken were crowned King and Queen at the Queen of Courts ceremony January 12 during halftime of the boys' varsity game. The annual tradition was held early due to lack of home games.

Spirit Week began Wednesday with class-color war. Each class picked a color to wear and the faculty even decided to participate, too. Thursday was Hat Day. This gave students a chance to wear his or her favorite or crazy hat to school. Friday was Blue-and-White Day to promote school spirit on game day.

"I liked Blue-and-White Day; it was really fun to see how proud everyone is of our school. The pep rally was funny!" said freshman Sara Beth Siard.

The pep rally, held at the end of school, kicked off the evening. The cheerleaders organized the pep rally with the help of the dancers and booster club.

The candidates' game was quite a challenge. Each candidate had to sit with his or her hands behind the back and try to eat a gummy worm off a string. To make it more challenging, the cheerleaders held the strings and shook them, making the "worms" hard to catch. Which-ever team got the worms off the string first and ate them, won. Wade Klaus and Whitney Franken won the contest and received a Gatorade and candybar for the victory.

A dance themed "Winter Wonderland" took place directly after the games to honor the King and Queen. Music was played by a DJ from Complete Music.

When asked about the dance, freshman Micah Bembrick said, "I liked that I could get out in the middle of the gym and dance with my friends and have fun."



Auten Huss, Madison Twombly, and Wade Klaus sport their raccoon hats on Hat Day during Spirit Week. The entire student body got to pick their favorite hat to wear although hats were otherwise against school policy. Photo by Janie Simpson



Cheerleaders Christina Ivey, Courtney Turpin and Hana Speaks lead the crowd in a chant. Photo by Matt Doodan



Kelby Koehler and Caylor Luther pose during the guy/girl dance. Each guy had to come up with his own move. Photo by Matt Doodan



Andrew Dominguez and Lyndsi Christopher participate in the candidates' game "Eat the Worm." Photo by Matt Doodan





*King Wade Klaus and Queen Whitney Franken pose for pictures after the crowning ceremony during halftime of the boys' varsity basketball game. Picture by Jordan Libel*

Stuco member Caylor Luther blows up a balloon while decorating the old gym for the dance themed "Winter Wonderland." Stuco was in charge of decorating the gym and getting food for the dance. Photo by Madi Twombly



*Spirit week gets students and faculty involved*



Left: Candidates Andrew Dominguez, Lyndsi Christopher, Wade Klaus, Whitney Franken, Kelby Koehler, Ryann Marriott, Kevin Luedke, and Kara Masters pose with attendants Taylor Peden, Sierra Christopher, Jacob Mott, and Reid Jasper after the ceremony. Photo by Jordan Libel

Above: Senior Lowell Handley displays his Chevrolet truck hat that he wore on Hat Day. Handley is Chevrolet all the way around, wearing a Chevy hat and shirt. "I was supporting school spirit and my love for Chevy trucks," said Handley. Photo by Janie Simpson

Above right: Custodian Bonnie Mitchell gets crowned "queen" during the Queen of Courts pep rally. The student body voted on a faculty king and queen, which were announced during the pep rally. Mitchell was crowned along with Mr. Bruce Reynolds. Photo by Matt Doolan

Left: Basketball co-captain Kara Masters gives a speech during the pep rally to get everyone pumped up for the game. She encouraged everyone to come to the game and give their support. The Lady Trojans beat the Wildcats in a thriller, 37-35. Photo by Matt Doolan





# Doniphan County Softball, a Year of Firsts

"I thought this year was a blast! It was fun winning the first round of the regional tournament. I enjoyed making new friends."



Alyssa Ashworth



Coach Abra Rush

"I love softball and coaching keeps me in the game. It was great working with the girls."

Doniphan County softball ended its first year of play with a record of 4-8. The team consisted of girls from Troy and Wathena. The team won its first regional tournament game against Oskaloosa, losing to McLouth the next day. Doniphan was one of only three teams to score on the undefeated McLouth.

Five girls from Troy, Alyssa Ashworth, Kacie Fenley, Jordan Libel, Bree Martinez, Katie Norris, and Bailey Morgan and eleven girls from Wathena made up the team. The coaches were Stacy Kahnt and Abra Rush.

Lindsey Root, from Wathena, was the team's starting pitcher. Jordan Libel was her catcher. Libel came into the season willing to play anywhere on

the field, including learning how to play catcher. Libel had 61 put outs and 5 assists for the season.

"At first, catching for Lindsey was intimidating because she's very fast and experienced. It became more natural as the season went on," said Libel.

Ashworth and Fenley played outfield for the team along with Sam Root from Wathena. Morgan and Norris played second base. Morgan also pitched. Martinez was first baseman for the team.

Fenley was second on the team with a .400 batting average. Morgan and Martinez had .200 and .194 respectively.

"This year was so much fun. I'll never forget my smokin' hot softball team," said Martinez.

"Never let the fear of striking out keep you from playing the game."

## Doniphan County Softball

Doniphan vs. Valley Falls+ 12-7,  
4-16

Doniphan vs. Oskaloosa+ 5-10,  
0-15

Doniphan vs. McLouth+ 0-10,  
2-19

Doniphan vs. Hiawatha+ 10-13,  
4-14

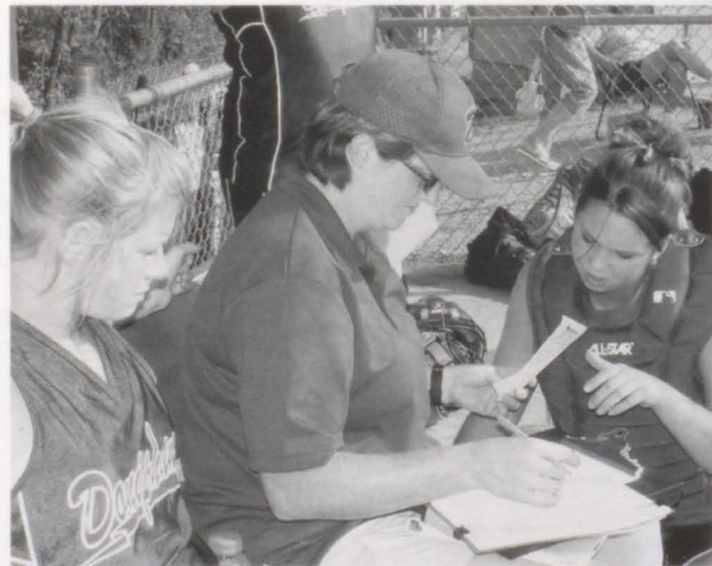
Doniphan vs. Atchison+ 14-1  
22-12

Doniphan vs. Oskaloosa\* 9-3

Doniphan vs. McLouth\* 0-7

+Double Header

\*Regional Tournament games



Above: Katie Norris, Coach Stacy Kahnt, and Jordan Libel go over pre-game notes from the first time the team played Oskaloosa. Libel played catcher in the game and was asking Coach Kahnt a question over what pitches Oskaloosa hit off of last time. Photo by Kacie Fenley





Left: Sophomore Bree Martinez gets ready to hit the ball during the Oskaloosa regional game. Photo by Katie Norris



Left: Freshman Bailey Morgan gets ready to field the softball at second base during the Oskaloosa game. Photo by Katie Norris



Below: Junior Alyssa Ashworth tries to steal a base at the regional game at Oskaloosa. Photo by Kacie Fenley



## Doniphan County

Front row: Kaleigh Whitten, Cydney Williams, Janey Cluck, Jordan Libel, Katie Norris, Bree Martinez, Alyssa Ashworth, and Lindsey Root. Row 2: Assistant Coach Abra Rush, Samantha Root, Erica Schmille, Sydney Schmille, Kacie Fenley, Bailey Morgan, Morgan Hontz, Mary Flinders, Shelby McQuillan, Kacie Ross, and Coach Stacy Kahnt.



# Swinging for the fences... Baseball

"I really had a good season playing with the guys and I look forward to getting better next season!"



Brennan Wehner



Caylor Luther

"Even though we could have done better, I think we all still had a great season overall."

Troy High School, for the first time, had a baseball team for the spring season. Due to shortages of players, the team was combined with players from Wathena to form the Doniphan baseball team. The team was bused every day to Wathena's playing field for their practice and games.

According to most of the Trojan players, the season went pretty well for a group of guys who had only played together in the summer seasons.

One thing against Doniphan from the start was the weather, with several games being postponed due to severe thunderstorms. Only one game was not replayed, the Mid-Buchanan Tournament.

Overall the Doniphan team had a successful season, winning seven of their fifteen games. In order to get more playing time, the team played double headers. All of their games, except for Mid-Buchanan, Oskaloosa, and

Maur Hill, were double headers, ensuring that the team was kept on its toes.

"Life is like a baseball game. When you think a fastball is coming, you gotta be ready to hit the curve."

Jaja Q

## Doniphan Baseball

Doniphan vs Mid Buchannan	8-10
Doniphan vs Oskaloosa+	3-7 , 12-10
Doniphan vs Valley Falls+	9-2 , 11-13
Doniphan vs Pleasant Ridge+	3-10 , 5-4
Doniphan vs McLouth+	8-11 , 14-4
Doniphan vs Maranatha+	6-4 , 12-2
Doniphan vs Marysville+	0-9 , 3-6
Doniphan vs Oskaloosa*	4-3
Doniphan vs Maur Hill*	9-10

+Double Header

\*Regionals



Above: Colin Greaser leads off first base anticipating a steal while the first baseman readies his glove. Photo by Matt Doolan





Left: Jesse Marriott crouches in anticipation of Greaser's pitch. Photo by Matt Doolan



Left: Colin Greaser prepares to pitch while checking the runner on first. Photo by Matt Doolan



Below: Auten Huss gets ready to swing on the pitch. Photo by Matt Doolan



## Doniphan Baseball

First row: Justin Hawkins, Colton Bauman, Jordan Malm.

Row 2: Colin Greaser, Jesse Marriott, Auten Huss, Bryce Paden.

Row 3: Aron Sharp, Chris Koelliker, Caylor Luther, Ethan Robinson, Elliot Nold.

Not Pictured: Coach Matt Peterson and Assistant Coach Bryan Adkins.



# Trojan Track...No Pain, No Gain

"It was awesome watching the kids to go out outnumbered every meet and competing. This group of kids was fun to be around."



Coach Steve Martin



Coach Larry Sandy

"We had a very successful season setting two relay records. When nine individuals make it to state, we're successful."

Records were shattered; dreams were reached. The Trojan Track team far exceeded anyone's expectations. Due to very minute numbers, the track team needed to medal in practically every event they were in to finish well as a team overall.

The girls' 4x800 meter relay, consisting of freshman Hana Speaks, junior Jena Johnson, and seniors Janie Simpson and Whitney Franken, broke the record numerous times throughout the season, but the fastest relay was at state with a time of 10.32.07.

Sophomore Ethan Robinson set a meet record at the Panther Relays. He threw the javelin 172 feet and 1 inch.

"It was our goal all year to make it [to state], and in the end, we accomplished it. Our 4x8 team has been really fun and I'm glad to compete with the best in the state," said Jena Johnson.

1A Regionals were held at Beloit. This was the first time the track team competed in Beloit and with other 1A schools. Nine individuals qualified for the state meet at Wichita State University.

State results are as follows: the girls' 4x400 meter relay of Hana Speaks, Whitney Franken, Kara Masters, and Hannah Simpson, 5th, 4.19.18, and new school record; the girls' 4x800 team, 9th; Caylor Luther, triple jump, 8th, 41-11.75; Hana Speaks, 1600M, 9th, 5.47.43;

and Leslie Ostertag, triple jump, 32', 13th.

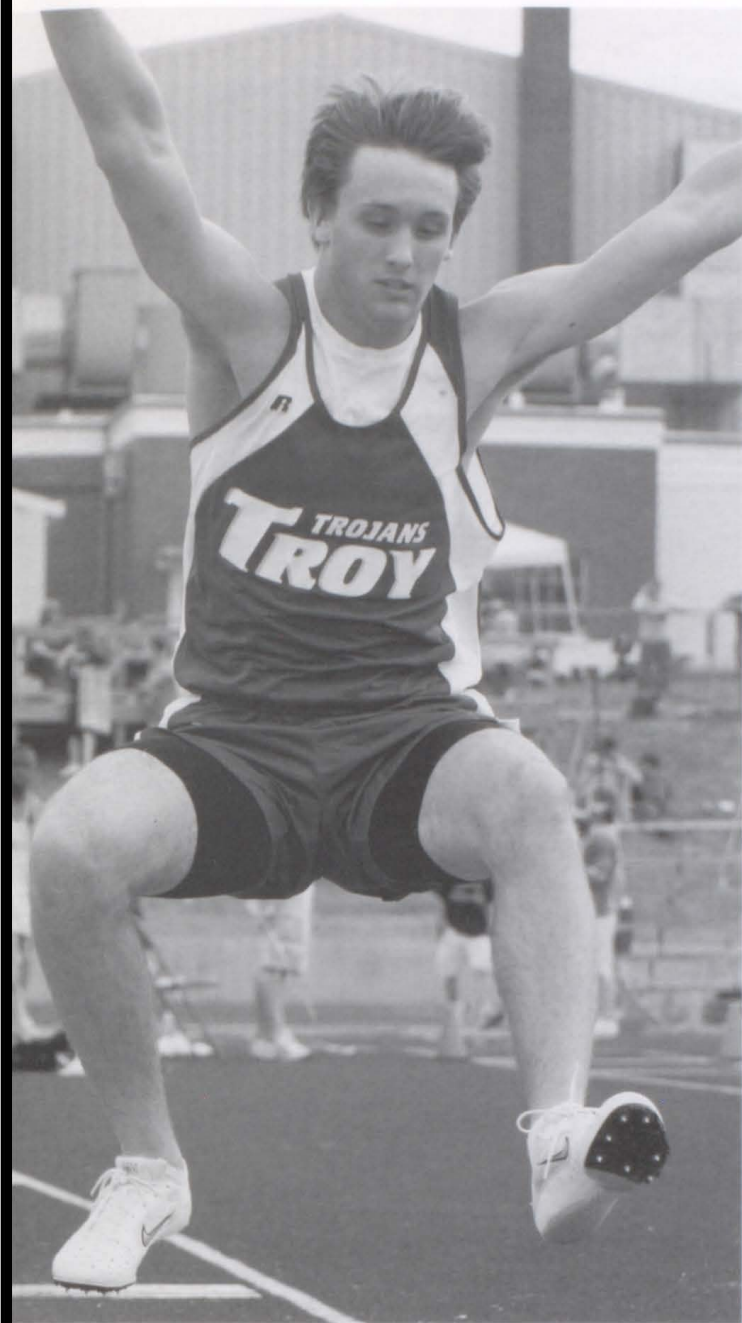
"It was fun competing at state, but I was a little disappointed that we were ranked 5th and placed 9th," said Janie Simpson.



Above: Leslie Ostertag glides over the bar while high jumping at a track meet on the Highland Community College track. Photo by Matt Doolan

Left: Jesse Marriott prepares to launch the shot put at the Wathena track meet. Photo by Janie Simpson





Left: Caylor Luther displays perfect long jump form as he competes at the Doniphan West Relays. Photo by Matt Doolan



Left: Hannah Simpson goes full force ahead in the 4x100 meter relay at the Wathena track meet. Photo by Janie Siimpson

Below: Courtney Turpin throws the javelin at the Doniphan West Relays. Photo by Matt Doolan



## Trojan Track Team

Front Row: Jena Johnson, Whitney Franken, Janie Simpson, and Hana Speaks. Row 2: Whitney Sutton, Courtney Turpin, Bree Martinez, Leslie Ostertag, and Desiree Weatherford. Row 3: Jesse Marriott, Ethan Robinson, Kenneth Tharman, and Madison Twombly. Row 4: Caylor Luther, Tim Griffin, and Kameron Duncan. Not pictured: Kara Masters, Hannah Simpson, Head Coach Steve Martin, Assistant Coach Larry Sandy, and Assistant Coach Lyle Rocky.



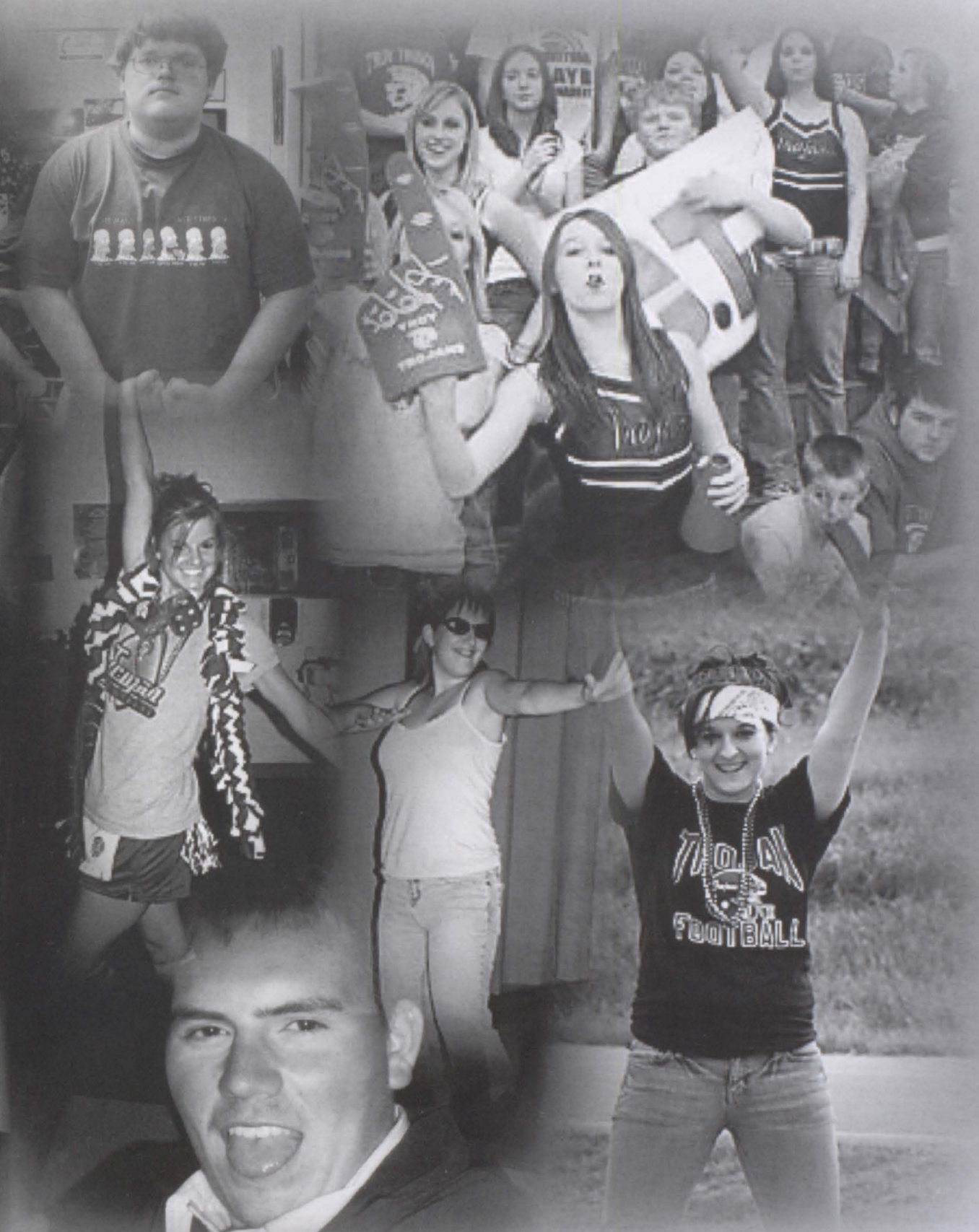
# People priceless

*THS is a unique blend of all kinds of people. Each person, whether he or she be involved in arts, academics, or athletics, contributes to the school as a whole.*





*backpack \$35 movie ticket \$8 new school shoes \$65*



*class photos \$30 gas per gallon \$2.70 bottle of pop \$1*

*hamburger at Chili's \$6.99*

*ice cream cone \$1.15*





Helping students

# Faculty reach their goals

"The mediocre teacher tells; the good teacher explains; the superior teacher demonstrates; the great teacher inspires." -William Arthur Ward



As another new year at Troy High School began there were no new teachers.

Weights instructor Steve Martin introduced a new technique for lifting before Christmas break. He timed the students so that they had to lift hard to get done within fifteen minutes.

Miss Francie Kapono taught music theory, band, and choir to students. "I really enjoy teaching music theory. I think it's very

important to learn the structures of music," said Miss Kapono. She also took her choir class to the Renaissance Festival in the fall. "Renaissance Festival was a

lot of fun. It was completely worth it. I look forward to next year," said Miss Kapono.

Mr. Kevin McNorton helped students learn new things in the science lab. Mr. Darrell Wapp also took first year ag students into the shop to teach them how to weld.

Mrs. Nancy Clisbee took her art students to the National World War I Museum in Kansas City in January. "The museum was great, having just opened in December. It uses all of the latest hands-on and interactive technology. The special effects during the film shown were fantastic. It was 'something different' and went along with our study of 20th century art history," said Mrs. Clisbee.



Top Left: Mr. McNorton arranges Subway sandwiches at an all-school assembly. The sandwiches were a treat to the students for making Academic Yearly Progress. This was given to schools in which test scores were significantly better than scores from the previous year. Photo by Janie Simpson

Upper Left: Troy High School cooks Jodi Cook, Laura Winkel, Bea Koehler, Karen Wetmore, and Linda Schultz. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Lower Left: Troy High School bus drivers Front Row: Rick Simmons and Gracie Christenson; Row 2: Kevin McNorton and Donald Harter. Not pictured: Bill Simmons, Darrell Wapp, and Bea and Bill Koehler. Photo by Kacie Fenley



Bottom Left: Troy USD 429 School Board members, Front Row: Rita Clary, President Hugh Kinsey, Margaret Sutherland. Row 2: Mark Fenley, Vice-president Warren Grable, Mark Twombly, and Carl Tharman. Photo by Kacie Fenley





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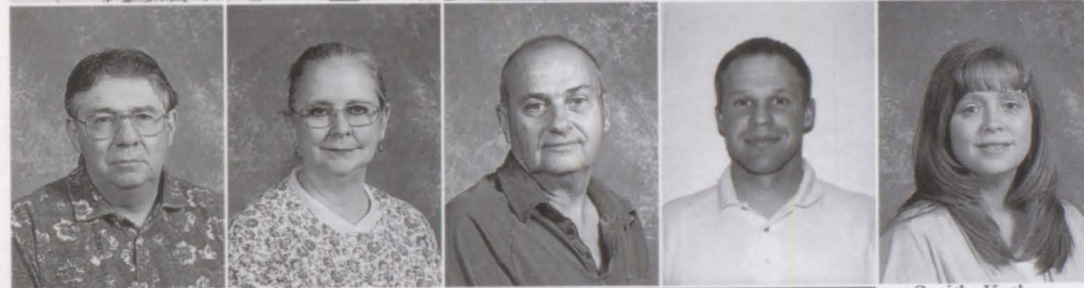
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Koehler, Bea  
Lindstrom, Jeri



Martin, Steve  
McNorton, Kevin  
Miller, Rhonda  
Mitchell, Bonnie  
Reynolds, Bruce



Rockey, Lyle  
Rockey, Martha-Jean  
Sandy, Larry  
Shrick, Cory  
Simpson, Mary



Smith, Kathy  
Velharticky, Gene  
Wapp, Darrell  
Winder, Mary





New kids

# Freshmen on the block

Freshman year is a scary year for most students. It's the beginning of staying out late, high school dances, and a lot more responsibility!



The freshman class started the year with spirited success. The float the freshmen designed was judged the best out of all the floats created for the Homecoming parade. It kept with the Hawaiian theme, "Hawaiian Punch the Rams!"

"It took us awhile to put the float together. There was also a lot of heavy lifting," said Hannah Simpson.

The prize for winning the float competition was 25 dollars, which went into the freshman class fund.

A fundraiser helped put money in the pocket of the freshman class. They sold Watkins products. These products



included everything from bath products to gifts and collectibles.

The fundraiser was stressful, because I didn't want any money to have to come out of my own pocket if I didn't sell enough stuff," said Ashley Miller.

Several freshmen were invited to perform at the Renaissance Festival with band and choir director, Francie Kapono.

"The Renaissance Festival was an interesting experience. We met lots of people and performers. It was exciting singing on stage with some of the other choir members. Ms. Kapono was a gypsy in her performance, and we had fun watching her perform. This was a great experience for me, and I'm glad I got the chance," said Desiree Weatherford.

Top Left: Desiree Weatherford takes a break after performing at the Renaissance Festival. The choir students sang several Renaissance-era folk songs October 7 and 8. The students were dressed in historically accurate costumes like Weatherford's. Performing at the Renaissance Festival was a new experience for the Troy choir students. The festival was a unique opportunity for the freshmen. Photo by Don Cash



Upper Middle: Cale Cluck directs his fellow cheerleaders, Kenneth Tharman, Jesse Masters, and Jacob Clary, at the Powder Puff football game. The freshman boys showcased their school spirit with several cheers and stunts. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Lower Middle: While sitting at the lunch table Joey Pasch gives his very best "thinking pose." Freshmen were usually the last to eat at lunch, so they had plenty of time to "sit and think." Photo by Madi Twombly

Bottom Left: Freshman class officers: Brittany Clary, president; Daniel Dominguez, vice president; and Hannah Simpson, secretary/treasurer. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher





Adkins, Heather  
Baskins, Randall  
Bembrick, Micah  
Birdsley, Lucas  
Clary, Brittany



Clary, Gerald  
Clary, Jacob  
Cluck, Cale  
Cluck, Emily  
Dominguez, Daniel



Grable, Kia  
Hendrix, Joshua  
Hixson, Kayla  
Ivey, Sonny  
Libel, Ross



Martinez, Kayla  
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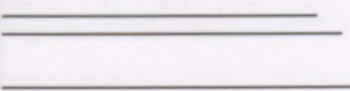
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Ostertag, Leslie  
Pasch, Joey



Shelton, Aaron  
Simpson, Hannah  
Speaks, Hana  
Tharman, Kenneth  
Weatherford, Desiree



Wetmore, Brittany







Back into

# Sophomores

## *the swing of things*

The sophomores are slowly moving up the seniority ladder. Sophomore year brings students one step closer to the top!



The sophomore girls triumphed yet again, by helping win the powder puff football game for a second time.

Katie Norris jokingly said, "Playing in the powder puff football game was great. It helped me express my anger; I have anger problems. I love hitting people!"

A fundraiser was also in store for the sophomores. They sold pizzas and cookie dough.

"I learned a lot from the fundraiser. Sometimes people are reluctant to buy things from you, and that can be frustrating when you're trying to raise money for your class,"

Top Left: Bree Martinez lets her hair down for her part as Fisherwoman in the fall play. Several underclassmen participated in the the play. Colin Greaser played the part of Sly, and Lacey Smith was a student. Other sophomores

involved in the play were Sarah Greub, Jesse Marriott, Auten Huss, Ethan Robinson, Katie Norris, and Ashley Weis. Being involved with the play was a new experience for most of the sophomores. Photo by Whitney Franken

said Michael O' Donnell.

Sophomore class meetings were also a regular occurrence.

"The meetings have not been very good. When the sophomores sign up for things they need to be held accountable, and show up when they're needed," said sophomore vice president Bree Martinez.

All sophomores were required to take speech class with Mrs. Rockey.

"The hardest part about being in speech class was getting up in front of the class," said Jesse Marriott.

Football season also held a lot of excitement for a few sophomores.

"Being quarterback for our football team was really awesome. Playing with the seniors was a really interesting experience," said Colin Greaser.

Upper Middle: Riley Whetstine and Ethan Robinson relax on the sophomore Homecoming float. The sophomores made their float unique by adding a couch to sit on. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Lower Middle: Jesse Marriott gives a speech in the sophomore speech class. The sophomores were required to give informative speeches, a prose reading, and a demonstration of how to use or make something. Photo by Whitney Franken

Bottom Left: Sophomore class officers: Kody Duncan, president; Bree Martinez, vice president; and Colin Greaser, secretary/treasurer. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher





# VISITOR



Barnett, Tiffany  
Clary, Kimberly  
Duncan, Kody  
Greaser, Colin  
Greub, Sarah



Huss, Auten  
Marriott, Jesse  
Martinez, Bree  
Matthews, Colten  
Meers, Brandon



Norris, Kaitlyn  
O'Donnell, Michael  
Robinson, Ethan  
Siard, Beth  
Smith, Jacob



Smith, Kyle  
Smith, Lacey  
Weis, Ashley  
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Whetstine, Riley



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Left: Katie Norris and Auten Huss show off their Trojan pride by wearing unusual hats for Queen of Courts Spirit Week. Photo by Janie Simpson





# Officially *Juniors* *upperclassmen*

After three years of waiting, the juniors gain the coveted second spot in the lunch line, as well as the concession stand responsibilities



The junior class learned many new things including how to run the concession stand. They also chose everything that went with prom, including the DJ and location.

The class worked at the concession to make money for prom. "It was fun working at times. The down part of it is that you don't get to watch the games," said Marianne Anderson.

After working concession stand all year the juniors finally started planning prom, which was in April. The class chose the location for prom, The United Ball Room, before winter break.

"Planning prom was a lot of fun. Going through all the cata-

logs was really exciting and it's nice to know that this helped the senior class have a great last year of high school," said Madi Twombly.

Juniors were required to take the ASVAB, PSAT, and the state assessments for reading and writing. "I didn't like taking many tests because it took a lot of time out of my schedule," said Brennan Wehner.

The juniors were required to take American history with Mr. Lyle Rockey. They also had to write a research paper in Mrs. Babetta Israel's English class second quarter.

Many juniors were involved with extra-curricular activities, including sports teams and working at their jobs. "Extra-curricular activities kept me busy this year! They make the school year go by a lot faster," said Jordan Libel.

Top left: While taking a break from his studies, Brandon Smith tries to fit a whole magazine and a Kleenex box into his pop bottle. Only having a few pages left, he took advice

from his class and soaked the paper that was already inside of the bottle. After all of his hardwork he finally got everything inside. Photo by Madi Twombly

Upper left: Kaitlyn Jordan pops a balloon in Spanish II after playing a game of dodgeball with balloons. They were taught how to play the game with the instructions in Spanish. Photo by Madi Twombly

Lower left: Levi Jenkins and Anthony Hayes have some fun during a school assembly for doing well on the Kansas State Assessments. Photo by Matt Doolan

Bottom left: Junior class officers are Madi Twombly, vice-president; Kacie Fenley, president; and Elizabeth Tharman, secretary/treasurer. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher





Anderson, Marianne  
Ashford, Laci  
Ashworth, Alyssa  
Blanton, Cameron  
Clary, Darren



DeLeon, Kayla  
Duncan, Kameron  
Fenley, Kacie  
Griffin, Timothy  
Hayes, Anthony



Hiemer, Megan  
Hixson, Clyde  
Ivey, Christina  
Jenkins, Levi  
Johnson, Jena



Jordan, Kaitlyn  
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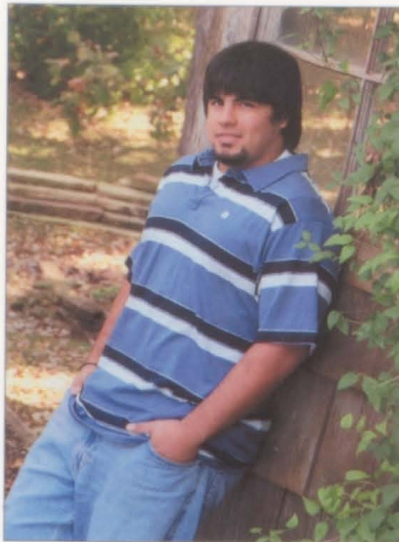


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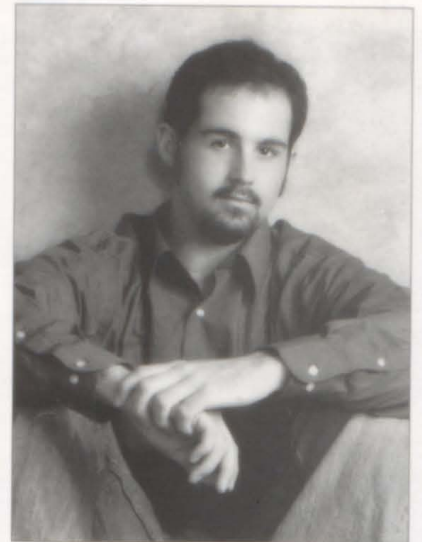




*Lyndsi Nikolle Christopher*



*Andrew Charles Dominguez*



*Matthew Michael Doolan*



*Laura Jo Greub*



*Lowell D. Handley*



*Ashley Marie Huntsman*



*Kelby Jay Koehler*



*Kodie Ray Koehler*



*Timothy Joseph Kostman*





*Patrick L. Dulin*



*Whitney Blaire Franken*



*Andrew Jared Grable*



*Holly Nicole Ivey*



*Kyle Anthony Juhl*



*Wade Andrew Klaus*



*Brent Kelly Leger Jr.*



*Kevin Charles Luedke*



*Ryann Lachelle Marriott*



Everything you ...

# Tributes

...wanted to say to the  
class

of '07

Wade,  
We are all so proud of you. You have grown into a responsible young man and we love you so very much. Always follow your dreams and be true to yourself.

Love, Mom, Dad, and Whitlea



Wade Klaus

Kevin,

You have a kind heart with a smile for everyone. You have brought so much fun and laughter to our lives. We treasure all the proud moments and memories you have created for all of us. Remember to take it one day at a time as you set out to accomplish your dreams.

And as each day starts, always remember the send off we have for each other.

Love, Mom and Dad



Kevin Luedke

Kyle,

We are very proud of the adult you have become. You take your responsibilities very seriously, and you have your goals set. Just never stop reaching for the stars and beyond, because you can achieve anything! You are a wonderful son and an awesome big brother.

Love, Dad, Mom, and Kace



Kyle Juhl

Janie Girl,

Janie Simpson

You are a dreamer who goes after her dreams and makes them come true. The goals you set for yourself have always been high and you have found a way to meet each one. There is no doubt you will continue to set high standards for yourself and keep working and dreaming until you succeed. Since the day you were born, we have been proud to be your parents! We can't even begin to tell you how much of a joy and privilege it has been to be a part of your life! We will always be here for you no matter what life brings. Remember that you are our sunshine! Love you so, Dad and Mom



Whitney,

We are very proud of you and the person you have become. Keep up with the determination and hard work. You have our full support and unconditional love. Keep God in your heart. We love you.

Love, Dad, Mom, Courtney, Jake, and Bailey



Whitney Morgan

Andrew (Herm),

There is too much to say and too little space. Watching you grow to a young man has been the greatest joy of our lives. We know your heart and your passion - let these, and the Lord, continue to guide you. We are ever so proud.

Love, Mom, Dad and Daniel



Andrew Dominguez

Whitney,

You have become such a beautiful young woman both inside and out. You are a caring, considerate person with a good head on your shoulders...even if we do tease you about being blonde sometimes. You have always taken your schoolwork very seriously and strived to do well. You've made us very proud of your accomplishments. Some of your

best years lie ahead of you, so have a great time, but be smart and don't let the wrong things influence you. We love you very much and don't forget "BE CAREFUL!!!" Love, Mom, Brad, Nolan, Brian, and Brett



Whitney Franken



Lyndsi-

I can't believe you're graduating already. It seems to me you were just born. Where did the time go? First we want to say how proud we are of you. With your brains and beauty you will go far. You have enough determination to get what you want in life. You had to learn one of life's toughest lessons at a far too young age, but it has helped you empathize with other people and their problems. You will make a great nurse. The last 18 years have gone by way too fast. Maybe we held on too tight sometimes. It was only because we love you so much and it's so hard letting go. Wherever you go in life, remember you always have our love with you. We love you, Lyndsi Ko! Mom, Dad, and Kasey Love, Mom, Dad, Kasey and Jessika



Lyndsi Christopher

Cole,

You have made your father and me very proud with all of your accomplishments. Your sense of humor, charm, and sensitivity are what makes you so special. You are unique and genuine, to say the least. Keep your faith, work hard, and you will find your way. Sing, laugh, and follow your heart.

Love, Mom, Dad, Dru and Riley



Cole Whetstine

Lucas,

You have such determination. I am so proud of you and all you've accomplished. We've come a long way. Keep on working toward your dreams, and always remember...a mother's love is unconditional. I'll always be here for you.

Love, Mom



Lucas Wampler



## From the Principal

Seniors,

I have enjoyed this class as I have watched you grow and mature. I thank you for the contributions that you have made to Troy High School. Whether it be your leadership on the athletic field or in the classroom, you will be remembered. For a short time we will remember you because of your accomplishments and for a long time for your character. You have become a truly unique class, with as many different personalities as there are students. As you leave Troy High School remember that here you began to learn who you are and who you want to become. Realize that you are at the beginning of a journey, not the end. Go make your mark and as always remember that we at Troy are proud of you.

Sincerely,  
Principal Don Cash



Good Luck

# Seniors

in the future,  
class

of '07





*Kara Corinne Masters*



*Susan Nichole McCulloch*



*Andrew Lee Meng*



*Leslie Sue Smith*



*Robert Joshua Smith*



*Laura Jane Tharman*

Senior Class Officers  
Lyndsi Christopher- Vice President  
Matt Doolan- Secretary/treasurer  
Laura Greub- President







*Cody Wayne Miller*



*Whitney Marie Morgan*



*Janie Kristin Simpson*



*Lucas Brent Wampler*



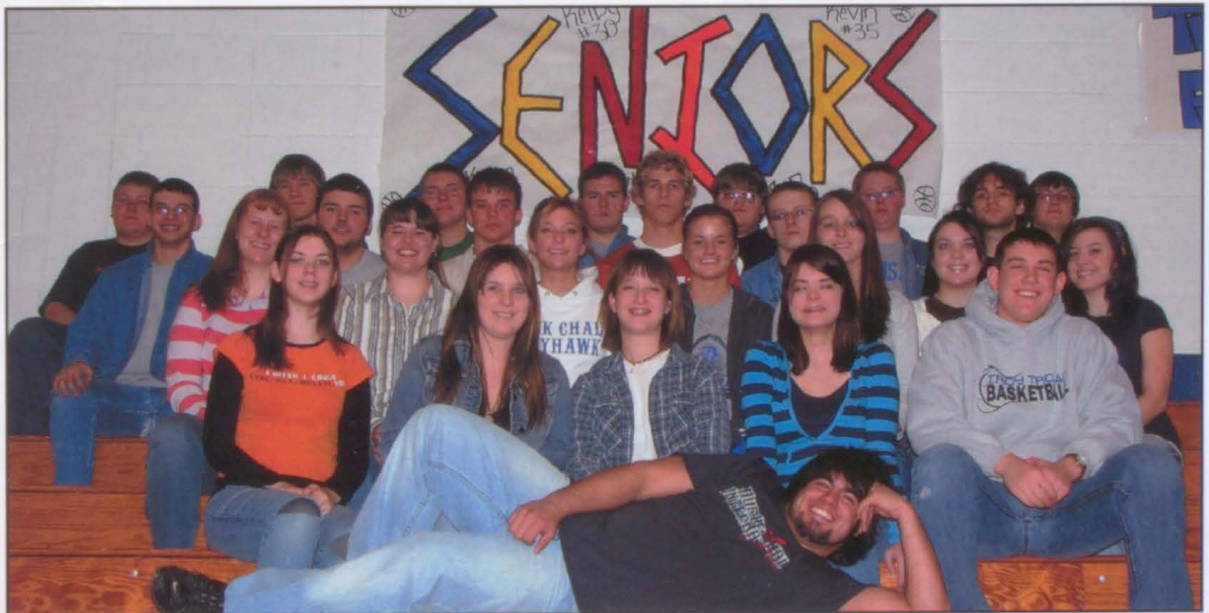
*Jessica Lynne Watkins*



*Cole Bryant Whetstone*

The Class of 2007

Not Pictured:  
Laura Tharman,  
Matt Doolan,  
Kodie Koehler and  
Ashley Huntsman.  
Photo by Joel  
Kahnt





Congratulations, Whitney!  
We are very proud of you. All your hard work and dedication have paid off and make for a bright and exciting future. You can do anything you want, so keep setting high goals, and have fun along the way!

Love, Dad, Peggy, Nolan, and Tyler



Whitney Franken

Matthew,  
You have brought constant joy to your family. Your humor, your practicality, and your easy-going ways have made our jobs very easy. For your future we already know you will live big and travel far. We wish you much happiness wherever you go.

Enjoy the journey!

Love, Mom, Dad, Ken, Ang, your brothers and sisters and family



Matthew Doolan

Cody,  
We are so proud of you. We hope you have great success in your future. We will always be here for you!

Love you,  
Mom, Dad, Colby, Chelsea, Nana and Poppa



Cody Miller

Laura,  
What a special person you are! You have so much to offer the world; we know you will accomplish much in your life. We'll love you always.... And keep smiling!  
Dad, Mom and Sarah



Laura Greub

Lowell,  
You are such a joy in our lives. May God bless you in this new step in life you're about to enter. May you always look to God for guidance and strength.

Love, Dad and Mom



Lowell Handley

**Go  
Big  
Blue!**

Andrew,  
Where has the time gone? It seems only yesterday that our Christmas boy was born. Remember to always be yourself, keep your sense of humor and work hard to achieve your dreams. Congratulations! Love, Mom, Dad, Jared, and Jacob



Andrew Meng

Kara,  
For 17 years, we've prayed for you and watched you grow into a beautiful young woman - an inside and out. The best is on the inside, your heart. Follow your heart, in all that you do and it will be yours. Trust in the Lord, because he is your heart. Let go and let God. We love you more than words can say. Good luck and have fun.  
Love, Mom and Papido



Kara Masters

Ashley,  
It has been a wonderful experience getting to watch you learn and grow through the years. Life isn't always easy, but you have always thrived, no matter what was going on. We wish you many successes in the rest of your journey through life. We are proud that you are our daughter!  
Love, Mom, Scott, Brandon and Summer



Ashley Huntsman

Kelby and Kodie,  
You boys were a special gift to us. Through the years you have made us proud parents. We know that you will both work hard to reach your goals in life, and make things come true. You always have! We will always be there for you.

Love, Mom and Dad



Kelby and Kodie Koehler

Leslie,  
It's been such a joy watching you grow up into such a wonderful young lady. You've always brought out the best in people around you. You have a terrific personality! Make sure that never changes. We are very proud of you and everything you have accomplished so far and look forward to all the good things to come. You made it! We love you very much.

Love, Mom, Dad, and your family



Leslie Smith



Josh,

When God sent you to us, we knew you were very special. You have grown into a wonderful young man, whom we are very proud to call our son. We love you, Bubba, Dad and Mom



Robert "Josh" Smith

Drew,

As the last of the kids in our family you have often been called "the baby." In all reality you are anything but a baby. You have become a very honorable, hardworking and fun young man. We have great faith and pride in you. You have a wonderful future before you. Make the most of it. We love you, Mom and Dad



Andrew Grable

Ryann,

We are so proud of you. You have turned into a beautiful young lady right before our eyes. You were faced with a lot of challenges in your life, but you handled it all very well. You are an inspiration to us all. Whatever you decide to do in your life, just make sure you enjoy it. You have a great sense of humor so don't ever change. And remember we will always be here for you.



Ryann Marriott

We love you, Dad, Mom, and Kelli

# Congratulations

GRADUATES



## Senior Class Facts

**Motto:** "Remember yesterday, dream for tomorrow, and live for today."  
-unknown

**Flower:** Iris

**Colors:** Deep Blue Iris and Silver



The 1994 kindergarten class at a field trip. Front row: Kyle Juhl, Jessica Watkins, Leslie Smith, Cole Whetstine, Trevor Ellis, and Josh Smith. Row 2: Brent Leger, Megan Hjemmer, Kara Masters, Morgan Lister, Courtney Jenkins, Laura Tharman, Lyndsi Christopher, and Whitlan Franken. Row 3: Matt Doolan, Rodney Sneed, Andrew Dominguez, Janie Simpson, Laura Greub, and Wade Klaus.

\*some people are unidentifiable  
Photo courtesy of Susan Boeh





# Academics priceless

**Mechanics or artists, chemists or bankers. Whatever it was we wanted to do with our lives, the classes at THS helped to prepare us. Wherever we've ended up, we all started here.**





**notebook \$3.48 textbook fee \$35 highlighters \$1.98**

**ballpoint pens \$2**

**jumbo eraser \$1.49**

**backpack \$29.95**

**dual-credit classes \$235**

**6 folders \$3.36**



# Science and Computers

## Students take learning into the labs

Students were enrolled in various computer and science classes at Troy High. Mr. Kevin McNorton taught science classes including general science with the freshmen, biology with the sophomores, and chemistry with the juniors. The classes learned from the books but also spent time in the lab.

"Science classes are going quite well. General science students showed progress working in the lab, and making connections with the concepts they studied. Biology classes learned about the world around them and how they fit into it. Chemistry students added to their knowledge about matter and the changes that it undergoes," said Mr. McNorton.

The most advanced science course was physics. Only five seniors enrolled in the class. It was very challenging because the class was taught over Internet Distance Learning. Mrs. Kerrie Howard taught from the classroom at Horton High School. "It was hard to understand at times because we didn't have a teacher in our classroom to answer questions. We went to Horton for a day to work on a motion project, which was fun because it was something different," said Whitney Franken.

Mr. Joel Kahnt taught computer classes. There were many to pick from. Students learned how to use the computer programs and the ever-changing technology to keep up with the world around them. Many of the computer skills Mr. Kahnt taught were ones the students were likely to need in their future jobs.

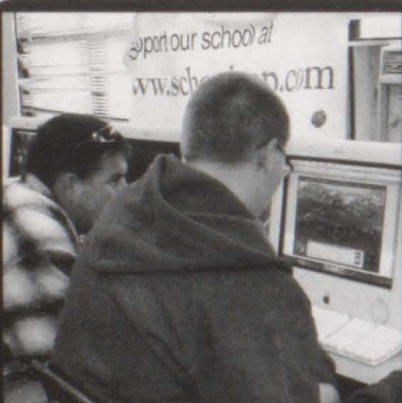
One class was multimedia. "I enjoyed multimedia because we got to get on the internet a lot and we learned how to use the new and different things on the computers," said junior Courtney Turpin.

In accounting, Mr. Kahnt taught the accounting cycle and double-entry accounting. Many people who were interested in maintaining a business took this class.

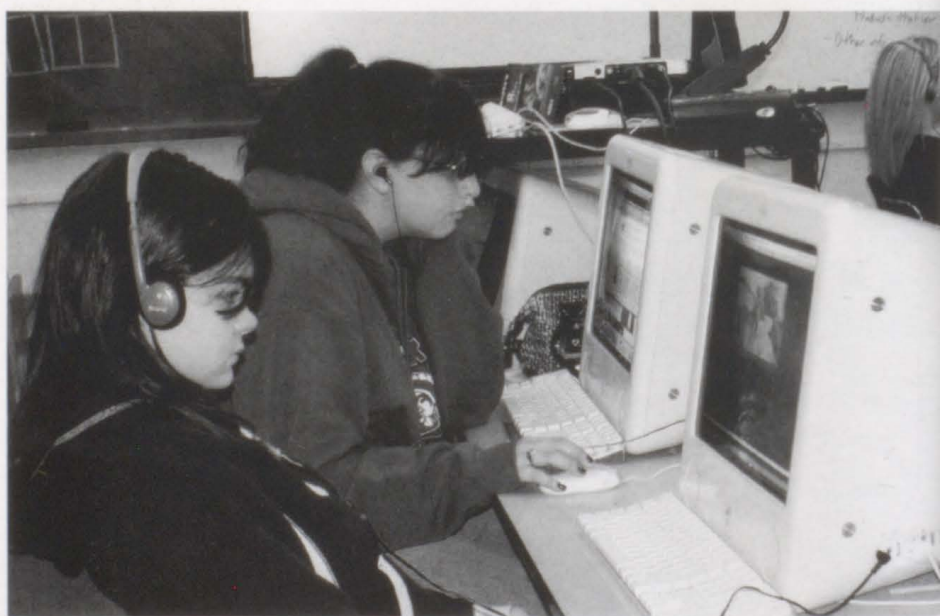
Multimedia students worked with Photoshop, Illustrator, Garageband, and other multimedia software. The highlight of the year was working with photo enhancement and movie making.

In computer applications the students worked in Microsoft Office and used the application to create a variety of projects.

Desktop publishing worked with the InDesign program to create various projects on the computer.

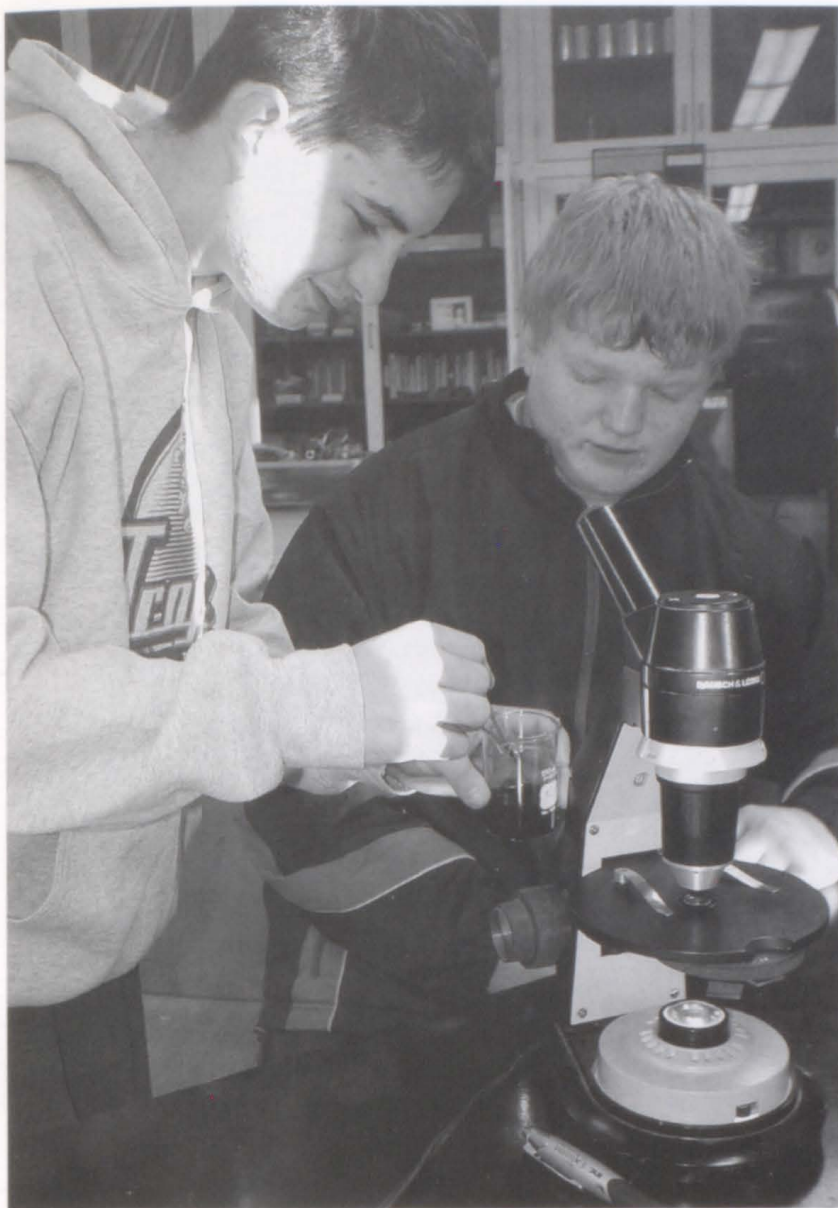


**Kyle Juhl and Cody Miller use their free time in accounting to play a game on the computer. The class taught life skills. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher**



**Ryann Marriott and Kayla DeLeon work on an assignment in accounting class. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher**





Left: Colin Greaser and Kyle Smith work on a lab experiment in biology. They are looking at their own cheek cells under the microscope. Colin is using food coloring to make the cells more visible. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher.

Below: Auten Huss and Brennan Wehner work on an experiment in biology. Auten is observing cells on a glass slide through the microscope. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher



Above: Patrick Dulin and Lacey Smith work on new computer programs in Mr. Kahnt's class. The students usually listened to music while working in class. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher

## Making learning fun

*What did you most enjoy about your class?*

"I made the game films for the football team." - Kevin Luedke, multimedia



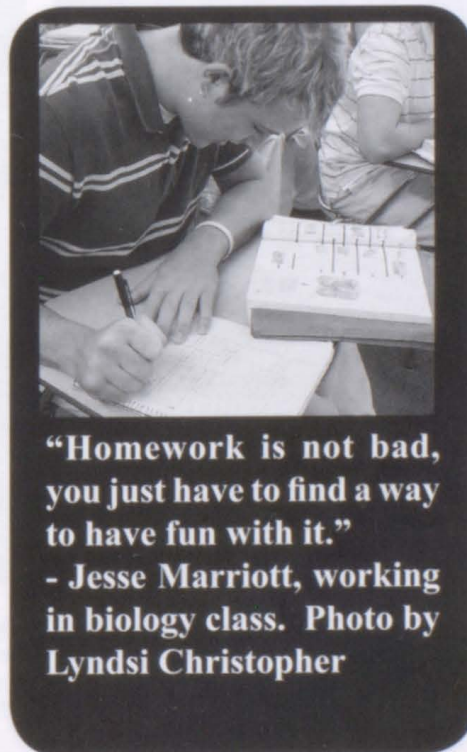
"I really enjoyed hands-on learning in the lab." - Ashley Weis, biology



"I liked computer games and sports on the big screen." - Jared Meng, computer applications



"The tests were difficult, but the labs made it fun." - Laci Ashford, chemistry



**"Homework is not bad, you just have to find a way to have fun with it."**  
- Jesse Marriott, working in biology class. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher



# Math and History

## Students gain knowledge for the future

Mr. Larry Sandy taught calculus, business math, and geometry.

"I never thought the angles I learned about in geometry would help me in other areas of my school work, but they have helped me when building projects in ag," said sophomore Brandon Meers.

Mr. Sandy liked to give his students the chance to learn things hands-on. He took a group of calculus students to KU for a design contest. The goal was to design a contraption that would launch ping pong balls quickly and at a long distance. "Calculus students had a good time at [the] KU 'Split the uprights' design contest in October," said Mr. Sandy.

Mr. Sandy also took the same group of students to the 4-H grounds on an early morning in September. They were challenged to find the best route to equal three miles. The students were really making a cross country course. They each made their own map and then compared them. After they were finished, Mr. Sandy marked the course with the paint sprayer.

Mrs. Margy Heddens taught college algebra, Algebra II, pre-algebra, and math fundamentals.

"College algebra has been really fun this year. Class can be challenging sometimes, but Mrs. Heddens makes it easy to understand," said junior Jena Johnson.

Mr. Bruce Reynolds taught economics to sophomores, juniors, and seniors, and American government to seniors.

The economics class focused on a theme of consumerism throughout the school year.

The American government seniors studied all the workings of the Federalistic System. They learned about the way the criminal justice system works and about the court system.

"I enjoy the class because it's all seniors and we have good class discussions," said senior Andrew Meng.

Mr. Lyle Rockey taught sociology, American history, World History II, and geography.

"The assignments in American history aren't too difficult and the curriculum of the class is very interesting," said junior Kacie Fenley.

Mr. Rockey said, "I'm teaching sociology again for the first time in many years and it has gone well."



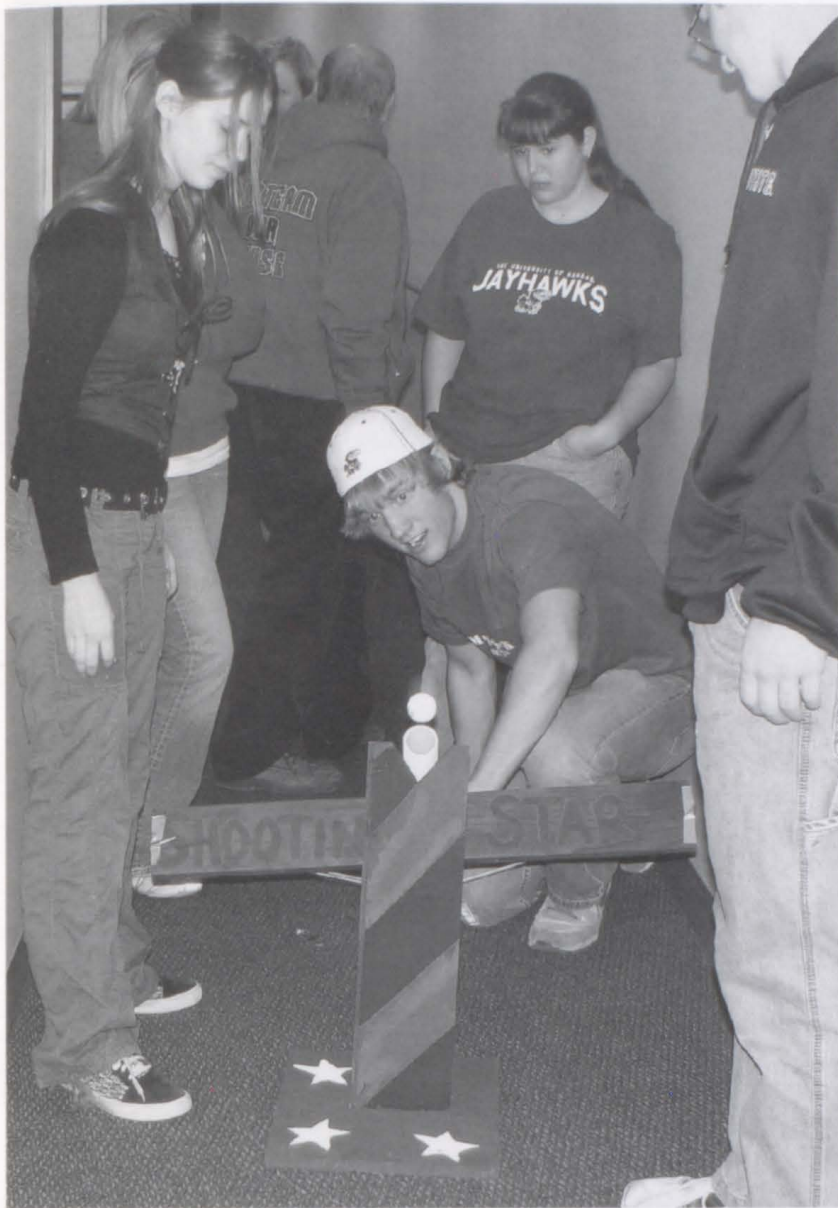
**"I like having a small class because we get more time to use."**

**-Marianne Anderson, business math. Photo by Ryann Marriott**



Top: Mr. Rockey helps Kyle Juhl, senior, on his assignment in World History I. Each year Mr. Rockey rotated the world history class he taught. The students in World History I learned about various cultures and religions from the beginning to the the 1700s. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher





Left: Jessica Watkins, Brent Leger, Laura Greub, and Josh Smith test out their 'Shooting Star' ping-pong ball shooter. The calculus class competed on the KU campus in the engineering department. Whitney Franken, Lyndsi Christopher, and Mr. Larry Sandy were also present. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher

Below: Whitney Franken, Laura Greub, and Brent Leger compare maps. The calculus students went over to the 4H grounds to mark out the cross country course. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher



Above: Kerya Wykert and Kimberly Clary share a laugh during Mr. Rockey's geography class. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher

## Students reflect on classes

*What is your favorite thing about class?*



"I liked the small class size in calculus."-Josh Smith



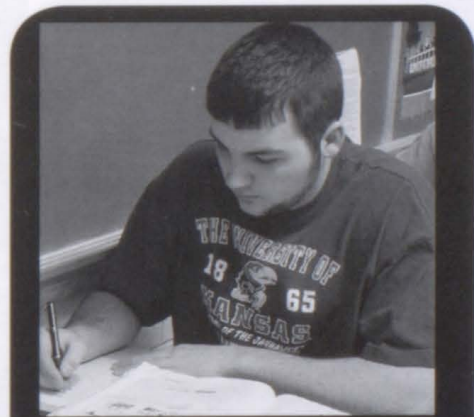
"Our algebra class is small, so we get more individual help."-Courtney Miller



"American history is easy if you do the worksheets."-Elizabeth Tharman



"In geography we learn about different places we might never see."- Ken Tharman



**"I like that it's only seniors in the class, and the assignments are easy."  
-Wade Klaus, American government. Photo by Matt Doolan**



# Spanish/English

## The art of speaking the languages

The English classes had many activities to help with many different skills associated with the English language. The freshmen, taught by Mrs. Babetta Israel, include silent reading and vocabulary in their class. Jordan Malm said, "... My favorite part of English would be when we have to do reports ..."

Sophmores were divided between Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey and Mrs. Israel. They studied speech, news writing, grammar and mythology.

Kerya Wykert said about her favorite subject: "I love old myths and magic [from mythology]. I found that the Greek Gods, with all their faults, were my favorite part."

Juniors and seniors were also split between the two teachers, covering many different subjects. They studied American westerns, theatre survey, vocabulary and learned how to write research papers. Anthony Hayes' favorite thing to do was watch the old western movies.

He said, "The western movies were off the hook. I love John Wayne and cows. ..."

The Spanish class also had many different activities to help teach writing, reading and speaking of the language. Students picked out Spanish names they used throughout the year. The classes played games that required students to write out instructions in Spanish. They also cooked Mexican dishes with their recipes in Spanish.

The class, taught by Mrs. Margy Heddens, was given a \$10,000-dollar limit to go on a pretend trip to a Hispanic area. Freshman Brittany Wetmore said, "I like playing games and doing activities. There are a lot of test and presentations."

The class then had to explain where and what they had done in Spanish. Students also made piñatas out of paper mache, that they later were allowed to fill with candy and break.

Senior Ashley Huntsman said, "I liked learning a new language and a new culture, even though I'm not very good at it."

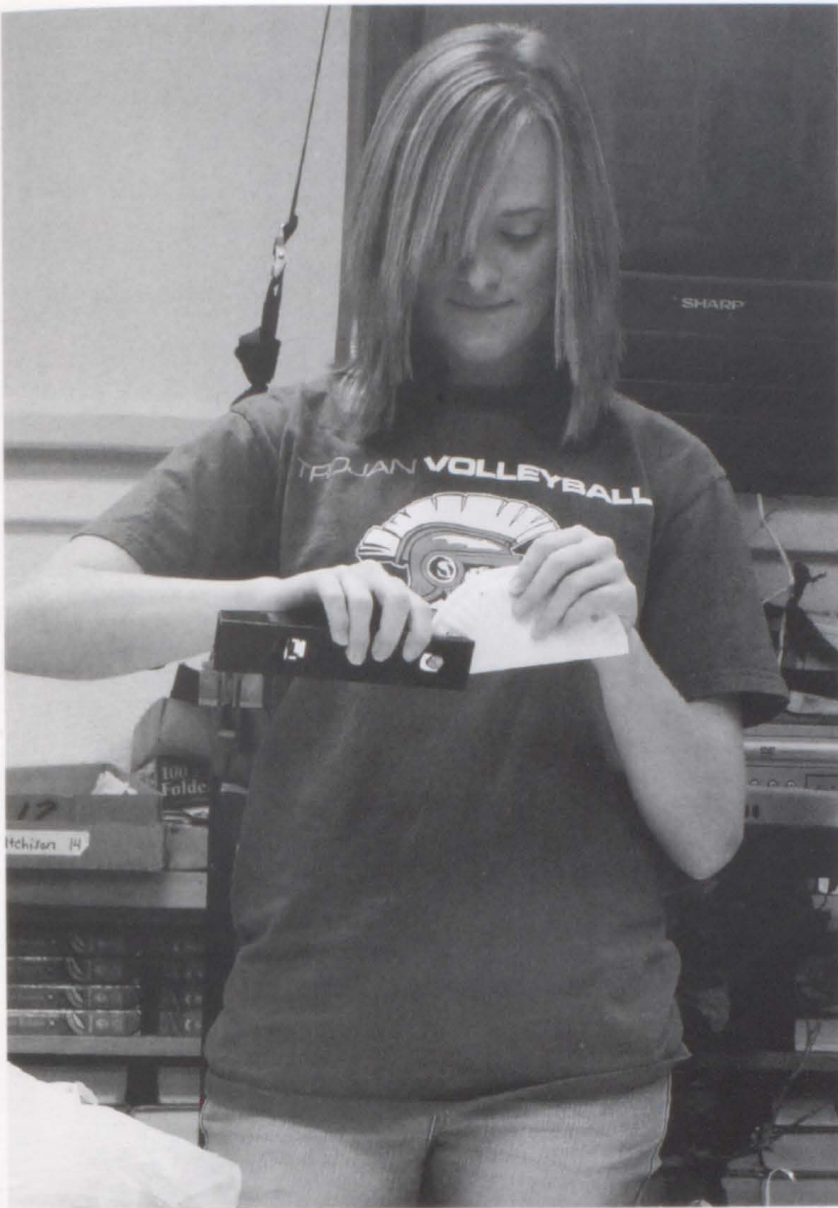


**"The day we played games in Spanish was really fun. The baseball game we played with tennis rackets and nerf balls was my favorite." -Madi Twombly**  
**Photo by Jordan Libel**



Christina Ivey and Courtney Miller are hurrying to find the answer in a jeopardy game played with Modern British Literature questions. Mrs. Rockey decided to make the jeopardy game the final for the quarter. Each topic for an English class was only one quarter long. Photo by Whitney Franken





Left: Ashley Weis gives a demonstration speech in English II. Each student had to teach the class how to make something. Ashley is demonstrating how to make tambourines. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher

Below: Jared Meng and Josh Hendrix work on pinatas for Spanish I class. The students used water, flour, newspaper, and balloons to make their pinatas. Photo by Janie Simpson



Above: Ashley Huntsman dodges balloons in Spanish II. The students used balloons as dodgeballs for a game they played in class. Photo by Jordan Libel

## Students get involved

*Students use activities to help themselves learn*

Sarah Greub makes peanut butter pie. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher



Hannah Speaks works on her pinata in Spanish I. Photo by Janie Simpson



Brent Ledger is deep in thought during his class. Photo By Janie Simpson



Ms. Heddens picks up balloons for dodgeball. Photo by Jordan Libel



**“Getting up in front of the class is sometimes challenging but I know it’s worth it in the end.” - Laura Tharman Photo by Lyndsi Christopher**



# P.E./Weights

## What did you do to get better today?

Mr. Steve Martin was the physical education instructor at Troy High School. He taught weightlifting classes, recreational physical education, and freshman physical education/health.

The weights students ranged in age from freshmen to seniors, with girls as well as boys in both weights classes.

Each day the students came in and warmed up. They ran laps, stretched out and then did A series or B series. These were exercises designed to help running form and increase speed. They also did things like dot drills, ladders, and jumping rope. After they got their muscles working, they set to work in the weight room.

Three core lifts were required every day. They rotated workouts on blue and white days. The core lifts were bench, squat, and hangclean or powerclean. Students had fifteen minutes at each station to finish their repetitions. In addition to doing core lifts, students were required to complete other lifts. These were additional exercises that focused on certain parts of the body.

The students completed a full-body workout in an hour and a half.

Some students from the class went to compete in DVL powerlifting meets with students from various schools in the area.

The recreational physical education class was for sophomores through seniors that wanted to participate in team sports. In each class they learned different sports such as volleyball, dodgeball, mat ball, navy ball, basketball, baseball, and many other sports.

The freshman class took two courses in one. They had their regular physical education class where they learned how to play many team sports. They also had a health class which Mr. Martin taught in an extra classroom. The class was to teach students how to say no to destructive decisions. The class was divided into four units: health, stress management, sexual education, and drugs and alcohol abuse.

"This year has been a challenging year. We have shifted to a circuit way of training. Not only are our kids getting stronger, [but] we are doing more lifts because of the increased time we have gained," said Coach Martin.

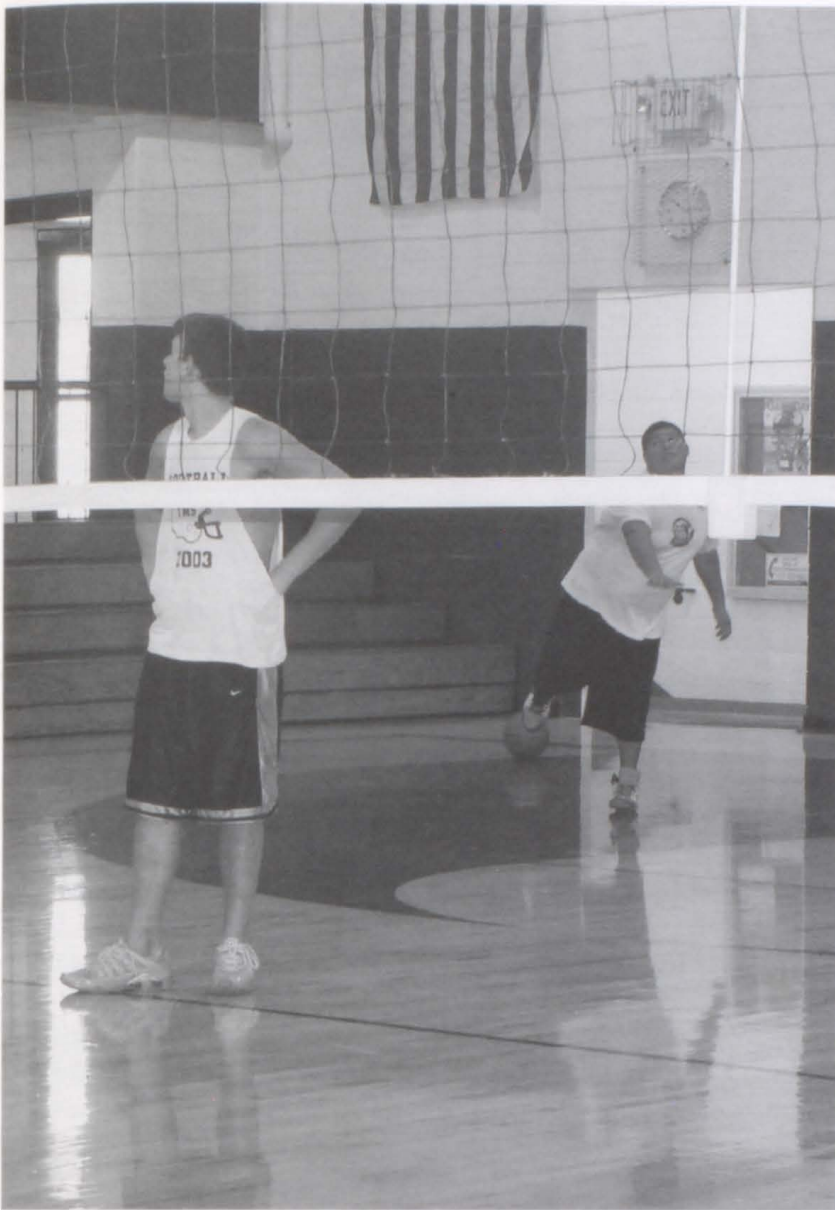


**"I like recreational physical education because we get to play team games that we pick out." - Bree Martinez**  
Photo by Lyndsi Christopher



Above: Courney Turpin uses safety wrist straps and a supportive belt to finish up her hang-clean workout. Whitney Sutton stands behind Turpin to help spot, if she were to need it. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher





Left: Anthony Hayes takes a swing at the ball in attempt to hit to the girls on the other side as Kody Duncan looks on. The recreational physical education class played girls vs. guys. Volleyball was just one of the many team activities that the students in the recreational physical education class participated in. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher



Below: Levi Jenkins and Cameron Blanton stand on base during Mat Ball. This game was like baseball but a student could run either way and there could be more than one person on base at a time. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher



Above: Matt Ploeger starts his squat workout. Each day the students came in to do a workout of core lifts. Squat was one core lift the students were required to do. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher

## Is it all fun and games?

### What do you like about your P.E./Weights class?

"I really like that our recreational class does a variety of activities."-Holly Ivey



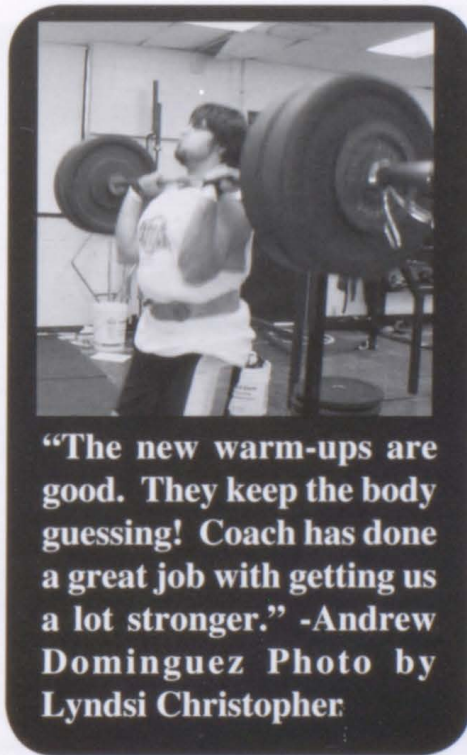
"I have weights in the morning, so it wakes me up."- Paul Ward



"In recreation we get to choose whether to lift weights or play games."- Kimberly Clary



"I just like going in and lifting hard and seeing the results."- Randall Baskins



**"The new warm-ups are good. They keep the body guessing! Coach has done a great job with getting us a lot stronger." -Andrew Dominguez Photo by Lyndsi Christopher**



# ART

## Express yourself

Mrs. Nancy Clisbee taught the art classes. There were only two high school art classes which were held on blue days. The students in the classes ranged from Art I to Art IV, and both classes were packed to the maximum.

Mrs. Clisbee left for a couple of months to have surgery and another teacher came in to substitute for that time period. Mrs. Kathy Zwahl was the art substitute from late November until Christmas break. "I have been very impressed by the talent I have seen in the art classes. The students have really taken the assignments and put their own style to it and have produced wonderful work! Mrs. Clisbee is lucky to have such a great group of students to work with...." said Mrs. Zwahl.

The students had a chance to try many different types of art. They built things with clay, created pastel drawings, drew their classmates, and took photos.

Students also had the opportunity to compete in competitions, such as Highland Art Day, DVL art, Art for the Health of It, Albrecht, and Design-an-Ad.

Joey Pasch took a first place with a color photo at the

fall "Art for the Health of It," sponsored by Allied Arts. In the spring competition, Hannah Simpson brought home a first place with her color photo "Lily Pad." Jena Johnson also received first place in the ceramics division with "Cinched" at the Albrecht competition.

There were also many winners at DVL art and Highland Art Day. The students brought home awards in on-site contest and carry-in pieces.

The art classes had an in-school photo competition where students picked their best photo and Mrs. Clisbee hung them in the art room window with only numbers, and gave the staff a chance to vote. It was a fun, friendly little competition.

The art students visited the newly built World War I museum in Kansas City at the Liberty Memorial. Prior to going to the museum Mrs. Clisbee had the students study the posters and artwork that were used in World War I. They also listened to music from the era.

Junior Madi Twombly said, "The artwork hanging in the museum was my favorite thing; it was just really neat to see the original pieces. It's a lot different than just looking at a slide of the original artwork."



**Mrs. Clisbee gives some tips to freshman Kayla Martinez. She shows Kayla some new shading techniques to use. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher**



Above: Freshmen Kia Grable, Hana Speaks, and Hannah Simpson work on their art projects. They made 3-D boxes with their choice of content. Most students created a themed box, covering aspects of their favorite activity. First they drew it on a flat piece, painted it, then cut and folded it together. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher





Left: Christina Ivey, Kacie Fenley, Jessica Watkins, and Lyndsi Christopher attempt to get their tall clay piece to stand at Highland Art Day. The idea was to build the tallest rocket using only clay. The team faced troubles like very cold weather and some wind. Photo by Nancy Clisbee

Below: Senior Patrick Dulin begins to add color to his drawing during art class. The students were encouraged to try a variety of color techniques and color materials. They tried everything from chalk pastels to crayola markers. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher



Above: Kacie Fenley and Madi Twombly wait for the art history contest to begin. Jessica Watkins and Janie Simpson also contributed to the second-place win at Highland. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher

## Let's Get Creative

*What's your favorite creation?*



"I really liked Photoshop. I liked distorting the pictures."  
-Marianne Anderson



"I liked the cup that I made out of clay."- Anthony Hayes



"I made a neat 80's themed 3-D piece."-Laci Ashford



"I really liked the scorpion that I made from clay."-Clyde Hixson



**Senior Whitney Morgan finishes her clay bowl. She rolled clay into coils and then placed them in a bowl to mold it and let it dry. Photo by Nancy Clisbee**



# Band/Choir

## Let the music guide you

The band and choir experienced new and exciting activities in their programs as well as the classroom. Ms. Francie Kapono brought many different styles of teaching.

Ms. Kapono stressed the importance of feeling comfortable in front of your peers while singing. To help students with this, the class was to put together lip syncs.

Students individually chose songs and thought of skits to accompany them. Some students used their classmates to help.

Daniel Dominguez, who sang "Smokin' in the Boys Room," used Jessica Watkins and Desiree Weatherford to lounge with him in the boys room.

Desiree Weatherford, who sang "Popular" from the musical *Wicked*, used Jessica Watkins as the unpopular wicked witch who needed her help.

Students were allowed to use a variety of songs, ranging from Weird Al Yankovic to Nickelback.

Ms. Kapono was actively involved in the Kansas City Renaissance Festival, and she chose a group of students to sing at the festivities.

The percussion ensemble consisted of Jessica Watkins, Laura Greub, Elizabeth Tharman, Courtney

Miller, Jena Johnson, Daniel Dominguez, Desiree Weatherford, and Brittany Clary. At Fine Arts night the group performed "Flat Baroque" by Thomas L. Davis.

At the school concerts the choir performed with skits as well as song.

"The Mermaid" used Brent Leger as the captain, Daniel Dominguez as the first mate, Susan McCulloch as the cook, and Ashley Huntsman as the mermaid. The class made a boat and sail. Holly Ivey waved the sail as the ship sank to the bottom of the sea.

Students who sang solos in choir were Jessica Watkins, Elizabeth Tharman, Brittany Clary, Desiree Weatherford and Daniel Dominguez.

The band soloists were Jessica Watkins playing the saxophone, and Elizabeth Tharman on the flute. Watkins went to state with her saxophone solo and received a II.

The high school band also went to state and received a II rating.

"State went very well. Jessica did a great job and received a II rating, which is considered excellent," said Ms. Kapono.



**Daniel Dominguez performs his lip sync in choir. "I had a lot of fun with it and I also enjoyed seeing my peers perform."  
- Daniel Dominguez**



Above: A group of students performed at the Renaissance Festival in Kansas City. Front row: Susan McCulloch, Jessica Watkins, Brittany Clary, Desiree Weatherford. Row 2: Elizabeth Tharman, Ashley Miller, Marianne Anderson, Laura Tharman. Row 3: Daniel Dominguez, Kayla Hixson, Kerya Wykert. The group performed as gypsies. Photo by Don Cash





Left: Kayla Hixson performs her lip sync in choir. The students chose songs to dance and "sing" to in class. The activity was used to encourage students to be out-going in their singing. Photo by Susan McCulloch

Below: Choir class. Front Row: Heather Adkins, Kerya Wykert, Ashley Miller, Holly Ivey, Kayla Hixson, Jessica Watkins. Row 2: Laura Tharman, Ryann Marriott, Micah Bembrick, Emily Cluck, Megan Hiemer, Brent Ledger, Krystal O'Connor, Beth Siard. Row 3: Lacey Smith, Laura Greub, Andrew Dominguez, Patrick Dulin. Row 4: Susan McCulloch, Tiffany Barnett, Bailey Morgan, Ashley Huntsman, Desiree Weatherford, Paul Ward, Leslie Smith, Laci Ashford, Marianne Anderson, Brittany Clary. Photo by Francie Kapono



Above: Band class. Front Row: Jessica Watkins. Row 2: Elizabeth Tharman, Director Francie Kapono, Daniel Dominguez. Row 3: Desiree Weatherford. Row 4: Sonney Ivey, Joseph Pasch, Laura Tharman, Marianne Anderson, Sarah Greub, Leslie Ostertag, Brittany Clary, Cale Cluck. Row 5: Heather Adkins, Kayla DeLeon, Laura Greub, Jena Johnson, Courtney Miller, Brent Leger, and Kenneth Tharman. Photo by Susan McCulloch

## Be yourself

### Using music to express



"It was a fun opportunity to do something different..."  
- Brent Leger



"I totally earned my A."  
- Jessica Watkins.



"I think things turned out pretty well."  
- Francie Kapono, director.



"I enjoy singing in choir."  
- Megan Hiemer



**"Band has been really fun this year. Ms. Kapono is a great teacher. She brought new and exciting things to band."**  
- Leslie Ostertag



# Ag and I. Arts

## Students create new projects in the shops

Mr. Darrel Wapp taught the agriculture classes. Many classes spent their time in the shop building their skills in areas like welding. Other classes, like the agricultural science classes, did bookwork.

The agricultural science classes were designed to prepare students for post-secondary advancement in areas including animal science, horticulture, economics and agricultural communications.

"The advanced ag mechanics class spent the year acquiring welding skills which will allow them to enter the workforce and earn wages higher than the average college graduate without tens of thousands of dollars in student loan debt," said Mr. Wapp.

Mr. Wapp was able to get his students in touch with technology by using an internet-based testing system that allowed for instant feedback to his students. The system included a homepage for Troy students where they could study animated flashcards that went over the questions for the test.

Junior Kayla DeLeon said, "I think it's great. I prefer the online testing because I get to see my grade right after I'm finished and don't have to wait."

Mr. Gene Velharticky was the industrial arts instructor. In his classes students learned to build things from

scratch with wood. The students first had to learn the basics, like drawing projects to scale on graph paper, and then measuring and cutting the real thing.

The advanced industrial arts students built a variety of projects with "Mr. V". Some of these included tables, stools, cabinets, benches, and hall trees.

The students also worked on refinishing older furniture. Mr. Velharticky said, "There have been many projects and the students are really working hard and doing a good job."

Some students worked on a project from previous years, and some finished their parents' old projects.

The students in building trades also worked to help the school during their classtime.

They re-roofed the shed on the practice field. This was where the football team kept some of their practice equipment. They also finished the interior of the bus barn.

Drew Grable was awarded the top senior project by Mr. Velharticky for the bench he made. Drew worked very hard on this project because there was not one straight line on the whole bench. Every part of the bench was curved so it was a lot harder to cut the wood. The wood used came from Grables' trees.



**Jake Smith works on sanding down one of the legs he will be applying to the small stool that he is making in Mr. Velharticky's class.**



Seniors Drew Grable, Cody Miller, and Luke Wampler pose by their very large ag project. The semi pictured is actually a cooker. Photo by Jordan Libel





Working hard are Shaelea Steeby and Jordan Malm. The project they are working on is their first one in industrial arts. Although all the freshmen were building the same basic project, they made it their own with the stain they chose. They all made a small rectangular stool. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher

Below: Sophomore Keiffer Whetstine is provided some assistance from Mr. Velharticky while working on a wood project in industrial arts class. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher



Above: Kyle Juhl checks out a welding machine before he begins working. The skills will help him in the real world because one of four jobs today is ag-related. Photo by Lyndsi Christopher

## Working Overtime

*What is the favorite project you've worked on?*

"My favorite project would be the amped-up coffee table I made."-Cameron Blanton



"I had a lot of fun making my cherry cedar chest."-Courtney Miller



"I haven't finished a project, but Cameron and I roofed the shed." -Levi Jenkins



"I really liked the class and my favorite project was my stool."-Gerald Clary



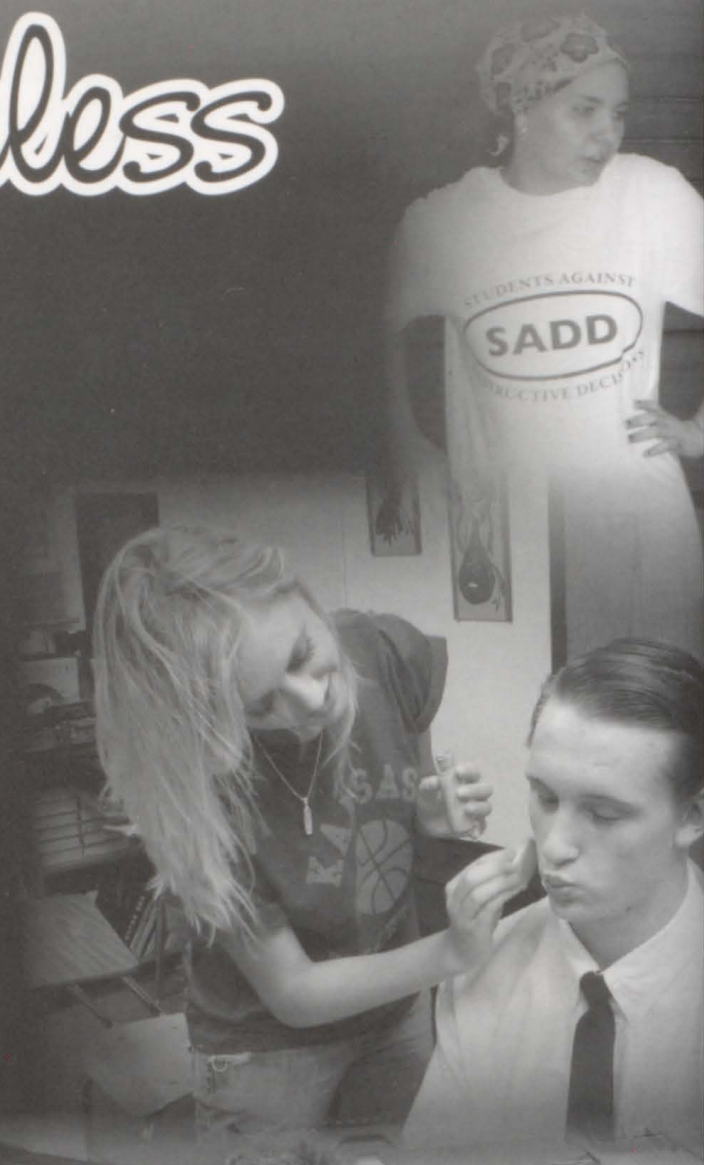
**"My favorite thing this year was learning how to do tig welding. It is just a specific kind of welding that we learned."-Andrew Robinson**



# Activities

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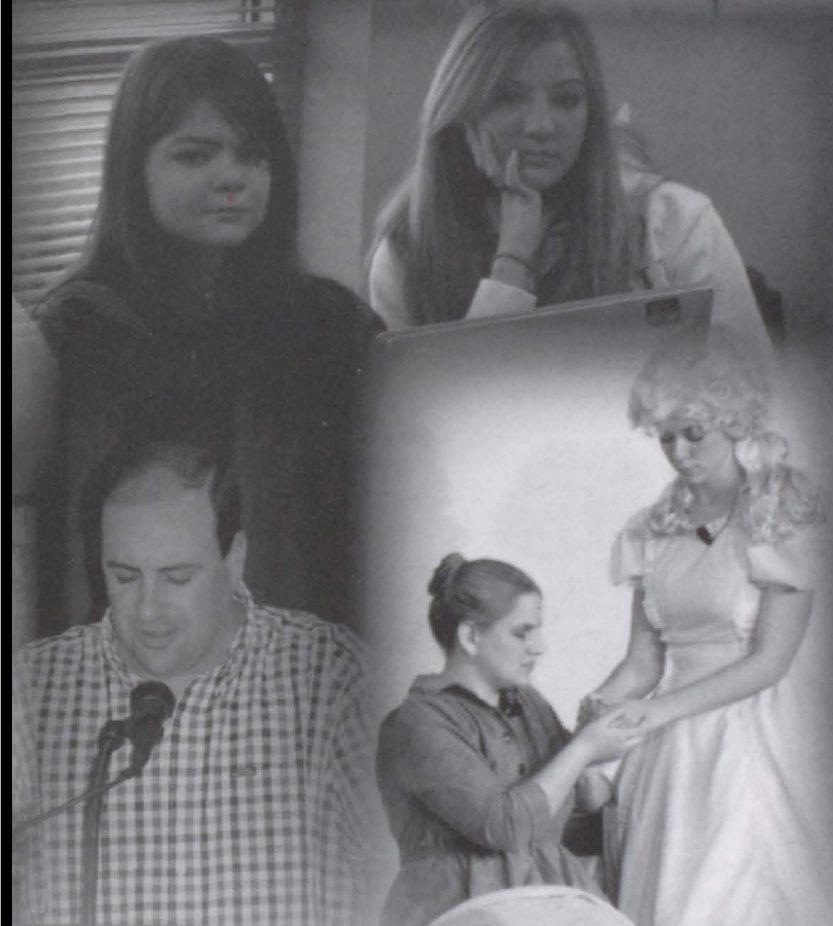
*Troy High School offered several clubs and activities to fit every student's interests. Clubs ranged from FFA to Kayettes, and from the spring musical to T-Club. Although each had a different purpose, they all promised to be fun.*





**club t-shirt \$12 fall play ticket \$3 prom tuxedo \$150**

**yearbook \$38 metal and wood projects \$20 FFA jacket \$40**



**graduation invitations \$200**

**Kayette dues \$3**



# FFA

## Leaders of Tomorrow



Kevin Luedke sits behind the wheel of a Troy fire truck at Fire Prevention Day. Photo by Janie Simpson



Anthony Hayes and Kenneth Tharman wait in line for refreshments at the chapter banquet. Photo by Madi Twombly



Freshmen Cale Cluck and Jared Meng hugging around during an FFA competition. Photo by Janie Simpson

The students involved with FFA had many events on the agenda. There were competitions to attend, demonstrations to be done, and trips to go on.

The FFA students went to a Fire Prevention Day at the grade school. The day was for students kindergarten through third grade. A few of the high school students dressed up in real fire-safety gear. Some other students got to sit behind the wheel of a fire truck from the Troy Volunteer Fire Department. The kids from the grade school got to tour the fire truck as well.

"I really enjoyed Fire Prevention Day. It was nice to get to take a break from regular classes and go over to the grade school. I liked working with the younger kids too," said freshman Kenneth Tharman.

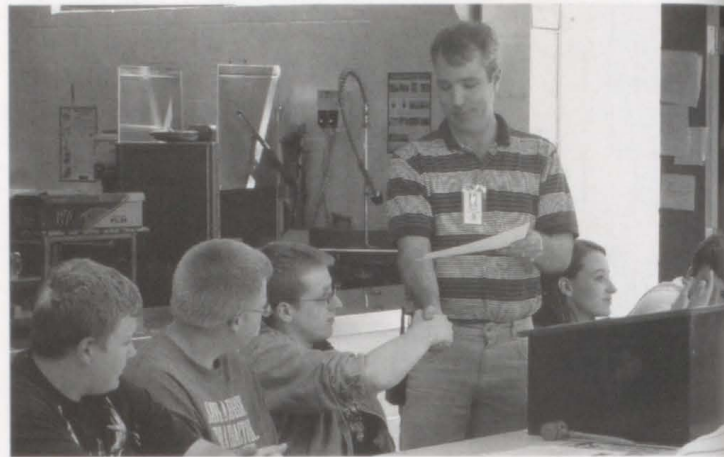
A major event was the Ag Issues team getting to attend Nationals in Indianapolis. The team spent time in class preparing for their competition. The Ag Issues team got into the bronze division. The team was in Indianapolis from October 24 to October 28.

"I liked the trip to Indianapolis," said sophomore Kody Duncan.

The FFA students also traveled to Pleasant Ridge to give speeches. The speeches were over issues that the students had chosen themselves.

Freshman Cale Cluck said, "Being in FFA was fun. I liked it when we went to Manhattan. It was a good time even though I didn't get to swim in the swimming pool. Overall FFA was really cool."

Upper Right: During an awards program, Andrew Meng and Cody Miller look on as Luke Wampler receives an FFA award from Adviser Darryl Wapp. Photo by Madi Twombly



Front Row: Drew Grable, Cody Miller, Luke Wampler, Janie Simpson, Wade Klaus, Tim Kostman, Andrew Meng, Kelby Koehler, and Lyndsi Christopher. Row 2: Kameron Duncan, Brennan Wehner, Katie Norris, Kenneth Tharman, Jared Meng, Brandon Meers, Jake Smith, and Adviser Darrell Wapp. Row 3: Ross Libel, Brandon Smith, Andrew Robinson, and Kody Duncan. Photo by Madi Twombly





Above: Cole Whetstine, Wade Klaus, and Kyle Juhl put on fire gear for a demonstration. The high school FFA students participated in a Fire Prevention Day at the grade school. Photo by Janie Simpson

## Interest in the Future

"I will miss being involved in FFA so much. Being in the program taught me so much and set up my extreme interest in agriculture. Because of FFA I am pursuing a bachelor's degree in Ag Communications and Journalism." -Janie Simpson. Photo by Katie Norris



"Getting to attend a national competition after being on the Ag Issues team that placed first in the state was great." -Kameron Duncan. Photo by Madi Twombly



"My favorite part of FFA was going to Manhattan. It was fun to get away and have fun with my friends." -Katie Norris. Photo by Madi Twombly



# Dirty Work

## in High Places



"It was a lot of fun. I enjoy making people laugh. I had a part I could add humor too," said Laura Greub. Photo by Whitney Franken



"I thought it was funny to pretend to get slammed in the face," said Kenneth Tharman (left), as he swings at Brent Leger. Photo by Whitney Franken



"Well, [the mustache] itched. I thought it looked pretty good. I'd do it again in a heartbeat," said Daniel Dominguez. Photo by Whitney Franken

"The Magic Carpet ride flew off the track and landed me below the Mexican border," Little Saccharin, played by Jessica Watkins, explained to Grandma, Elizabeth Tharman, and Grandpa, Lowell Handley. "Not speaking the language and being of tender age, I couldn't explain what had happened to the local yokels."

The fall play brought "hope and light, laughter and bliss," --not to mention a box of stale enchiladas--into the lives of students and parents. With familiar tunes such as "She'll be Comin' 'Round the Mountain" and "Jingle Bells," the audience could enjoy the clever re-wording of the childhood rhymes. "It was really fun, but sometimes frustrating," said Emily Cluck.

With "Awe," "Boo," and "Cheer" signs, the audience was encouraged to participate in the fun, cheering for the hero, Brent Leger, and hissing at the villain, Daniel Dominguez, as he tried to rob the poor people of this small beach community.

Kayla DeLeon, who played Madame Presidente, recalled her favorite part: "... Brent forgot the last few lines to his poem and he said 'something something something,' in place of the words. ..."

Sarah Greub, the student director, said, "It was an experience. It took a lot of time and dedication, but in the end it wasn't so bad." The play was directed by Martha-Jean Rocky.

Front Row: Katie Norris, Lyndsi Christopher, Susan McCulloch, and Ashley Weis. Row 2: Hana Speaks, Elizabeth Tharman, Lowell Handley, and Bree Martinez. Row 3: Mrs. Rocky, Jordan Libel, Laura Greub, Kia Grable, Josh Hendrix, Daniel Dominguez, Brent Leger, Janie Simpson, Brittany Clary, Auten Huss, Laura Tharman, Emily Cluck, Whitney Morgan. Row 4: Jesse Marriott, Colin Greaser, Kayla Hixson, Jessica Watkins, and Leslie Ostertag. Row 5: Ethan Robinson, Kenneth Tharman, Desiree Weatherford, Kayla Martinez, Ashley Miller, Lacey Smith, and Kayla DeLeon. Row 6: Sarah Greub, Kaitlyn Jordan, Jena Johnson, Madi Twombly, Micah Bembrick, and Courtney Miller.







Above: The heroine, Jessica Watkins, exposes the villain for who he really is: Not a "friend to the down trodden" but a cruel man who put his secretary through the paper shredder. Daniel Dominguez, Laura Tharman, and Brent Leger look on. Photo by Whitney Franken

"I hated [that] wig. It was evil. I wouldn't mind playing a different type of character but, hey, ignorance is bliss so at least she was a happy one." - Jessica Watkins. Photo By Whitney Franken



"I was nervous about Kenneth [Tharman] carrying me." - Janie Simpson. Photo by Terra Simpson

"I had a really great time. All I had to do was twirl my dress and smile. Susan [McCulloch] and I really made the role of the children come to life." - Lyndsi Christopher(right) Photo by Whitney Franken



Opposite page, center. "I never used a wheelchair before. I had to [learn] how to steer by using both arms to move." - Lowell Handley (right). Photo by Whitney Franken

# Move over, Broadway!



## Clubs stay busy with many activities



Ashley Miller  
Freshman

“My favorite thing we have done for SADD was definitely the health fair. We all had a blast doing it.”

‘What club should I join?’ was the question most students were asking at the beginning of the year.

Four clubs which a student could join were T-Club, Kayettes, National Honor Society, and SADD.

Students Against Destructive Decisions, also known as SADD, had 12 members. The purpose of SADD was to help students make better choices. President Elizabeth Tharman said, “We mostly do activities to demonstrate better choices than drugs.” SADD also went to the grade school three times throughout the year to talk to the students about the effects of drugs and alcohol and how to make the right decisions. They also held a health fair in the new gym to show students how to make healthy choices. There were different stations that showed what drugs and alcohol could do to the body.

Kayettes had the annual Christmas

and Valentine’s gift exchanges and decorated the tree at the gazebo for Christmas. The freshmen cleaned out the trophy cases. Kayettes also held the annual senior farewell.

T-club sponsored the annual men’s alumni basketball tournament as their only fundraiser. The money raised went to the T-Club for medals, letters and plaques. T-Club members had to work at the tournament, helping with the scoreboard, keeping time and cleaning up after the games.

National Honor Society helped with the NEK-CAP Christmas drive at the Armory and the blood drive in the old gym. Students helped by handing out snacks and drinks after people had their blood taken.

Senior Matt Doolan said, “It was a great time. It was my first time giving blood and hopefully not my last. National Honor Society is a really good experience.”



Above Far Left: T- Club officers Janie Simpson, Whitney Franken and Jena Johnson clean grapes as a healthy snack to give to the teachers on teacher appreciation day. Photo by Madi Twombly

Above Left: Junior Kayla DeLeon receives her gift of bath soaps. The gift was for the Kayette’s Christmas gift exchange. Photo by Ryann Marriott

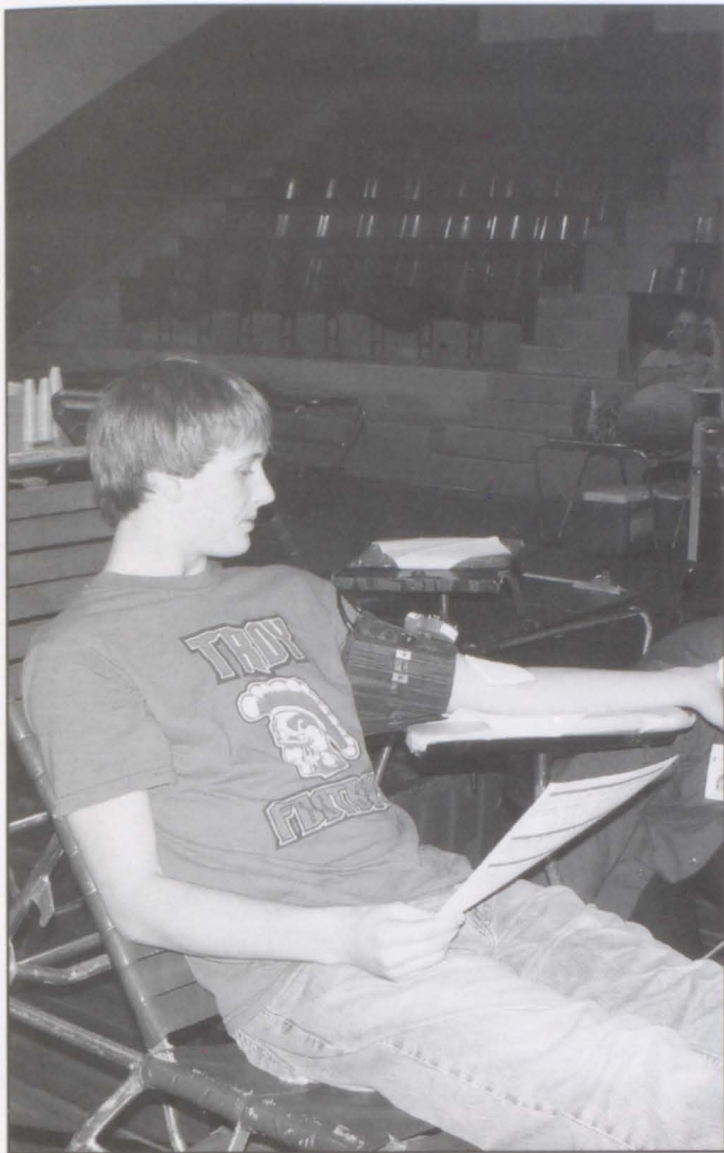
Above Right: NHS member Kacie Fenley helps at the NEK-CAP Christmas drive. Photo by Whitney Franken

Above Far Right: Freshman Emily Cluck shows grade school students what can happen if they smoke for a long period of time. Photo by Janie Simpson

Right: SADD members. Front row: Brittany Clary, Daniel Dominguez, Elizabeth Tharman. Row 2: Ashley Miller, Emily Cluck, Kody Duncan, Kenneth Tharman, and Kameron Duncan. Row 3: Kayla Hixson, Laura Tharman, Kerya Wykert, and Lacey Smith. Photo by Matt Doolan







Left: Junior Caylor Luther watches as his blood is taken for the blood drive. Many of the NHS members gave blood. Photo by Janie Simpson



Above: T-Club. Front row: Heather Wetmore, Jordan Libel, Secretary/treasurer Jena Johnson, Vice President Whitney Franken, President Janie Simpson, Whitney Sutton, Courtney Turpin and Ashley Weis. Row 2: Bree Martinez, Desiree Weatherford, Hana Speaks, Christina Ivey, Lyndsi Christopher, Kara Masters, Courtney Miller, Sarah Greub, Madi Twombly and Kaity Jordan. Row 3: Kayla Hixson, Hannah Simpson, Daniel Dominguez, Kacie Fenley, Kayla DeLeon, Wade Klaus, Auten Huss and Cole Whestine. Row 4: Laura Tharman, Elizabeth Tharman, Brittany Clary, Laura Greub, Caylor Luther, Kelby Koehler, Andrew Dominguez and Kevin Leudke. Row 5: Colin Greaser, Jesse Marriott, Ethan Robinson, Drew Grable, Riley Whetstine, Kyle Smith and Kenneth Tharman. Photo by Matt Doolan

Below Far Left: Senior Whitney Franken assists at the NEK-CAP Drive. Photo by Madi Twombly

Below Left: Daniel Dominguez gives a demonstration for grade school students about what tobacco chew has in it. Photo by Janie Simpson



Above: Seniors Janie Simpson and Holly Ivey open their gifts at the Kayette Valentine's gift exchange. Photo by Madi Twombly

Above right: Senior Laura Greub and NHS sponsor Nick Dannevik listen as Betty Tinker from the Community Blood Center of St. Joseph talks about the blood drive. Photo by Janie Simpson



Left: Kayettes. Front Row: Jena Johnson, Madi Twombly, Whitney Franken, Bree Martinez, President Lyndsi Christopher, Vice President Ryann Marriott, Secretary/treasurer Courtney Turpin. Row 2: Alyssa Ashworth, Jordan Libel, Laura Tharman, Desiree Weatherford, Hana Speaks, Courtney Miller, Kia Grable, Hannah Simpson, Brittany Wetmore, Kacie Fenley, Whitney Sutton and Christina Ivey. Row 3: Tiffany Barnett, Beth Siard, Krystal O'Connor, Emily Cluck, Micah Bembrick, Kayla Martinez, Bailey Morgan, Ashley Miller, Marianne Anderson and Elizabeth Tharman. Row 4: Sponsor Mrs. Babetta Israel, Ashley Weis, Heather Wetmore, Katie Norris, Janie Simpson, Laura Greub, Leslie Ostertag, Brittany Clary, Lacey Smith, Kayla Hixson and Kaity Jordan. Photo by Matt Doolan



# Publications, Quill and Scroll, and Student Council



*Madison Twombly*

"It was an honor to be inducted into Quill and Scroll. It is neat to think about how many people have been in it before me."

Publications, Quill and Scroll, and student council were all very busy. Whether it was putting out papers and meeting yearbook deadlines to serving a Thanksgiving dinner, these activities helped make the school a better place.

The publications class was very small with only nine students. This meant each had to write more stories and do more yearbook pages.

The class took a field trip to the Herff-Jones yearbook plant in Kansas City, KS, to see how the yearbooks were printed. They also met with a designer to help them create a cover for the yearbook.

Quill and Scroll had their annual inductions May 8, at the academic awards banquet. The existing members, Whitney Franken, Lyndsi Christopher, Janie Simpson, and Matt Doolan, installed the three new members: Madi Twombly, Jordan

Libel, and Kacie Fenley.

Student council hosted their annual Thanksgiving dinner November 16. Members helped serve the food and drinks for the high school, middle school, and grade school students.

"Being in Stuco was fun because we got out of school to serve and help people," said junior class representative Courtney Turpin.

Student council also took a field trip to a student council conference in Kansas City to help them with ideas of fun activities to do.

"I thought the field trip was a lot of fun. We got some good ideas to help our school. When we went to Applebee's everyone that is in student council made the whole meal and trip fun. Mr. Cash also made the whole day better with his positive attitude," said Vice-President Jena Johnson.



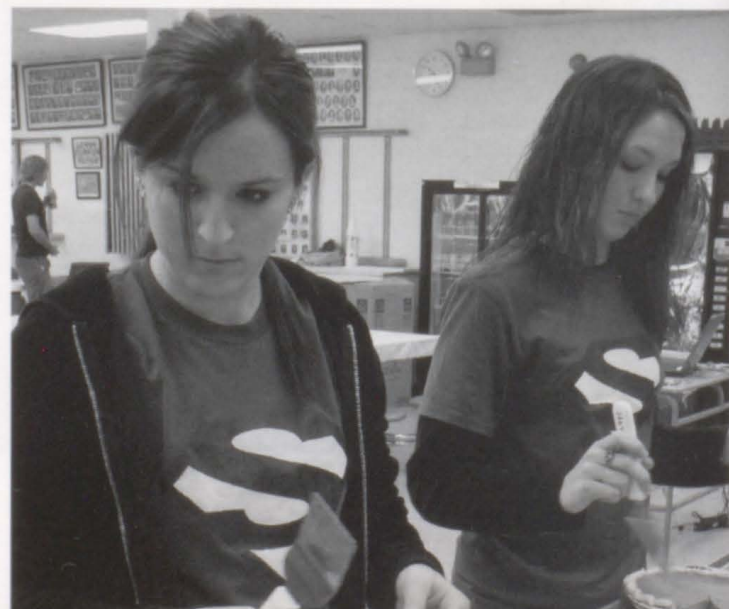
Above Left: Whitney Franken and Jesse Marriott help each other with the tablecloth while setting up for the student council Thanksgiving dinner. Photo by Janie Simpson

Above Middle Left: Janie Simpson and Jordan Libel go over yearbook layouts before they are sent to the publisher. Photo by Matt Doolan

Above Middle Right: Mrs. Rockey, Matt Doolan, Lyndsi Christopher, Janie Simpson, and Whitney Franken install the new members of Quill and Scroll. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Above Right: Courtney Turpin and Caylor Luther fold tablecloths after the student council dinner. Photo by Janie Simpson

Right: Whitney Sutton and Jena Johnson cut pumpkin pies. Photo by Janie Simpson





Left: Current members of Quill and Scroll are Janie Simpson, Whitney Franken, and Lyndsi Christopher. Not pictured is Matt Doolan. Photo by Kacie Fenley

**Journalism regional and state results:**

**Kacie Fenley**, 1st Newspaper sports writing

**Madi Twombly**, 1st Caption writing, 2nd Advertising, and 3rd in Editorial cartoon

**Whitney Franken**, 2nd Yearbook copy writing and honorable mention Caption writing  
1st in State Caption writing and honorable mention in State Yearbook copy

**Lyndsi Christopher**, 3rd Editorial writing;

**Elizabeth Tharman**, 3rd Feature writing, 2nd Infographics

**Jena Johnson**, 1st Yearbook sports writing; Honorable mention in State Yearbook sports writing

**Matt Doolan**, 1st Sports photography; 3rd in State Sports photography

**Jordan Libel**, Honorable mention Feature photography

Below: Publications class at the Herff-Jones plant. Front row: Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey, instructor; Lyndsi Christopher, Ryann Marriott, Kacie Fenley, Susan McCulloch, and Madi Twombly. Row 2: Matt Doolan, Janie Simpson, Whitney Franken, and Jordan Libel. Photo by Sally Jones



Above Left: Janie Simpson, Ryann Marriott, and Whitney Franken look over possible yearbook cover designs. Photo by Matt Doolan

Above Middle Left: Jesse Marriott, Riley Whetstine, Brent Leger, and Hana Speaks set up the tables in the high school cafeteria for the stuco dinner. Photo by Janie Simpson

Above Middle Right: Matt Doolan, Lyndsi Christopher, and Susan McCulloch watch as Brett Goodwin designs possible yearbook covers. Photo by Whitney Franken

Above Right: Caylor Luther and Whitney Franken serve the grade students at their annual Thanksgiving dinner. Photo by Janie Simpson



Left: Members of Stuco are, front row: Hana Speaks, Whitney Franken, Jena Johnson, Caylor Luther, and Jesse Marriott. Row 2: Kia Grable, Kevin Luedke, Whitney Sutton, Courtney Turpin, and Brent Leger. Not pictured: Riley Whetstine. Photo by Kacie Fenley



# Kilroy Was Here

**'Kilroy, where ya' gonna show up?'**



Kilroy "kisses" Gladys at the end of the play. Photo by Whitney Franken



Leslie Ostertag and Kayla Martinez take on a secret identity as they look for spies. Photo by Whitney Franken



Fred, Jesse Marriott, and Jack, Caylor Luther, look to Professor Sullivan as he prepares to hypnotize them. Photo by Whitney Franken

"Don't say no to the USO," was the theme for the spring musical, *Kilroy Was Here*. The play was set in the time of World War II. It showed the life of typical soldiers, hostesses, and other volunteers at their "home away from home," the United Service Organization club. Elizabeth Tharman played the owner of the club, Ruth Taylor, and Janie Simpson played Ruth's assistant Angie.

Joe Kilroy was played by Daniel Dominguez. He was the main character of the play. Jessica Watkins played Gladys, his love interest. Laura Greub played Hermione, the leader of the spies group, and Matt Doolan played the part of Professor Sullivan, the famous hypnotist. Jesse Marriott, Colin Greaser, Kenneth Tharman and Caylor Luther also played significant roles in the musical as soldiers.

In addition to singing, choreography was a big component of the musical. Ms. Francie Kapon choreographed the dances to songs "Jitterbug Saturday Night" and "Slap that Jukebox." These songs contained dances that were popular in the World War II era.

The drama club honored the veterans by cutting admission prices for them. The cast also participated in a special "honor celebration" at the end of the play. The cast sang an anthem for each branch of the military while a flag from each branch was shown.

Front row: Ethan Robinson, Katie Norris, Auten Huss, and Riley Whetstine. Row 2: Kayla DeLeon, Brittany Clary, Sarah Greub, Madi Twombly, Kaity Jordan, Bree Martinez, Kayla Hixson, and Paul Ward. Row 3: Kyle Smith, Lacey Smith, Laura Greub, Matt Doolan, Emily Cluck, Elizabeth Tharman, Leslie Ostertag, Kayla Martinez, Lowell Handley, Ashley Miller, and Andrew Dominguez. Row 4: Laura Tharman, Daniel Dominguez, Jessica Watkins, and Desiree Weatherford. Row 5: Kia Grable, Colin Greaser, Janie Simpson, Caylor Luther, Hannah Simpson, Jesse Marriott, Hana Speaks, Kenneth Tharman, and Jena Johnson. Not pictured is Director Martha-Jean Rockey. Photo by Whitney Franken



Carl, played by Colin Greaser, and Melba, played by Laura Tharman talk at the shipyard while Kilroy and Gladys set up their date. Gladys, Melba, and Valerie, played by Desiree Weatherford, were riveters who eagerly wanted to get in on the action at the USO club. They volunteered as hostesses so they could be around all the fun at the club. Photo by Whitney Franken







Above: Gladys, Hazel, played by Kia Grable, and Ruth, comfort hostess Eve, played by Hannah Simpson, after she received a telegram stating her husband was missing in action. Eve was later contacted saying that her husband was found safe. Photo by Whitney Franken

## United We Stand

"Dancing with Kenneth, for the most part, was fun. I loved learning the dances!" - Jena Johnson, left, dancing the jitterbug with Kenneth Tharman. Photo by Whitney Franken



"I played a mysterious agent, and it was hard to keep my expressions neutral on stage." -Lowell Handley, right, with Andrew Dominguez. Photo by Whitney Franken

"My favorite part of my role was the whistle. I got to blow it as loud as I wanted. My favorite scene was the last. It had a lot of action and some singing." -Brittany Clary. Photo by Whitney Franken





# Prom

## I Could Not Ask for More



Josh Smith, Cole Whetstine, and Luke Wampler take a break during the dance. Photo by Ryann Marriott



Kyle Juhl and Whitney Morgan enjoy a game of cards during after-prom. Photo by Ryann Marriott



Brandon Smith, Tim Kostman, Johnna Pasch, Kevin Luedke, Kaitlyn Jordan, and Courtney Turpin do a group dance. Photo by Ryann Marriott

Prom was held at a new location, the United Ballroom in downtown St. Joe, adding a few extra miles to travel. The United Ballroom was a renovated building that used to be a department store. The theme of Prom was "I Could Not Ask for More" and the colors were black and teal. The junior class was in charge of decorating the ballroom. There were several windows on the outside of the building that were decorated with small tables and extra glasses.

"Decorating the ballroom was fun, even though it was a very large space to decorate. At the end of the night everything looked very elegant," said junior Jena Johnson.

The meal was catered by Hy-Vee. Brisket and oven-roasted turkey were the two choices for the main course. Mashed potatoes, gravy, rolls, and corn were also served. Cherry cheesecake topped off the meal. There were no servers; it was a buffet-style meal.

Kacie Fenley said, "The meal was good, especially the mashed potatoes."

After-prom was the next activity on the order of events. Everyone traveled to the YMCA only a few blocks from the United Ballroom. Basketball, volleyball, ping pong, and swimming were some of the activities at after-prom. There were also movies to watch and card games to play. Many prizes were given out. Some of the prizes available were flat screen TVs, Worlds of Fun tickets, digital cameras, and microwaves. Tim Griffin and Marianne Anderson each won a flat screen TV. Kayla DeLeon walked away with tickets to Country Stampede.



Upper Right: Carl Tharman, Jena Johnson, and Laura Greub drop to the floor during the song "Cha-Cha Slide." Photo by Ryann Marriott

Right: Christina Ivey, Whitney Sutton, Lyndsi Christopher, Holly Ivey, Kendra Vass, Elizabeth Tharman, Leslie Smith, Whitney Franken, Reid Atha, and Kara Masters all participate in a group dance. Photo by Janie Simpson





Above: Kodie Koehler, Wade Klaus, Caylor Luther, Andrew Dominguez, and Cole Whetstine perform a dance to the song "YMCA." Each of the boys dressed up as a different village person. Other dancers included Kyle Smith and Clyde Hixson. The DJ asked for volunteers about half way through the dance which lasted from 8 p.m. until midnight. Photo by Ryann Marriott

## Making Memories

"I loved the location of Prom this year. The inside of the building was so beautiful. The food wasn't as good as it has been in the past, though. I'm big on desserts and the cheesecake just didn't cut it for me."  
-Jessica Watkins. Photo by Ryann Marriott



"Having fun with my friends was a great part of Prom. I had so much fun; it was a great way to end my senior year."  
- Ryann Marriott. Photo by Danielle Marriott



"I liked seeing everyone dressed up for Prom. I also had fun being with my friends."  
- Marianne Anderson. Photo by Jena Johnson





# Vo-tech and Work Study

## Hands-on Experience



"Vo-Tech is great. I know that I'm doing things that I can really use when I graduate and get a job in the real world."  
-Tim Kostman

"Being one of the library aides is really fun. Putting away books gets a little old, but helping Mrs. Kahnt with different stuff is pretty cool."  
-Courtney Turpin

"As a teacher aide for Mrs. Rockey I make a lot of copies and run errands. I also have time to finish my many tasks for the newspaper and yearbook."  
-Lyndsi Christopher

Many students had the chance to get "real-world" experience by becoming an office aide, teacher aide or going to Vo-Tech. This kind of experience isn't as easy to obtain by sitting in a classroom all day.

It wasn't uncommon to see Cole Whetstine or Cody Miller helping Mrs. Stacy Kahnt in the library.

"I usually check books in and out, organize shelves, dust books, take out paper recycling, shine Mrs. Kahnt's shoes, vacuum, rake the baseball field, work out Einstein's theory of relativity, do my Quantum Physics homework, and do other small tasks. It's fairly fun," Whetstine jokingly said when asked what he did as a library aide.

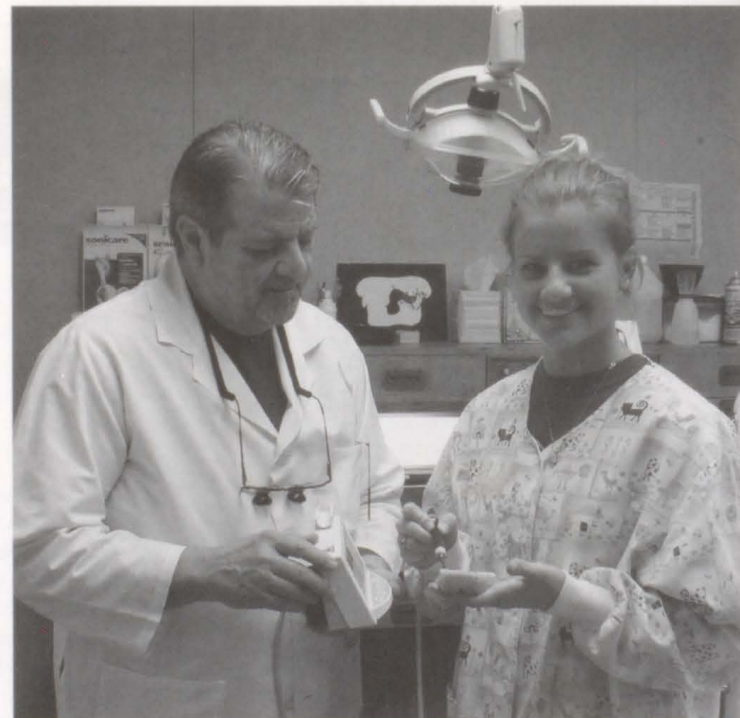
Being an office aide included answering the phone and taking care of checks and money that were turned in to the office.

"I love being an office aide because I have time to finish homework and talk to the people that come in. I have accidentally answered the phone in a weird and embarrassing way though," said office aide Whitney Sutton.

Senior Kara Masters got hands-on experience by going to work study at Dr. Dennis Myers' dentist office in Troy. Masters said that going to the dentist's office helped influence her future career choice.

"Going to the office is hands-on experience and I love that. Dr. Myers really prepares me for what my job will be like," said Masters.

Only four students, Tim Kostman, Darren Clary, Luke Wampler, and Lowell Handley, attended North East Kansas Vocational Technical College. Only juniors and seniors were allowed to attend Vo-tech. They had to pass a test and be approved before actually attending.



Upper Right: Cody Miller and Cole Whetstine hide behind their laptops during their time as library aide. Photo by Ryann Marriott

Lower Right: Kara Masters helps Dr. Myers with the laser tool during work study. Photo by Madi Twombly





Above: Whitney Sutton helps secretary Mary Simpson in the office. Answering the phone, taking care of checks, and helping visitors that came into the office were all parts of being an office aide. Photo by Madi Twombly

## The Real World

"Mrs. Clisbee keeps me really busy as her aide. I put new artwork on the bulletin board, help the middle schoolers, make copies and keep things neat. It's fun, and I'm being prepared for what I will be majoring in."  
-Ashley Huntsman



"Vo-Tech makes my day go by very fast. Being there doing hands-on stuff makes time fly. When I get back to school my day really seems to slow down."  
-Darren Clary, diesel mechanics



"I really feel like I know what I'm doing when I'm at Vo-Tech.. I'm glad that I get hands-on experience when I'm there."

-Luke Wampler, welding





# Theatre/Drama/Speech

## Learning to express yourself

The theatre arts class did several activities with many different types of acting. The class did a section in which they used puppets to demonstrate storytelling skills.

Students made finger puppets for different plays performed. They divided into groups and worked out a skit.

During Halloween the class got to dress up in costumes for the grade school. They performed poems for the second grade class.

Another style of acting was mime-o-dram, or the art of mime. The students learned how to isolate parts of their bodies and speak without using words.

The class also did a portion on theatre dance. They learned a routine that used seventies dance moves that the class enjoyed.

Drama club pulled off two successful fundraisers, such as the dinner theatre for the spring musical and selling Red Wheel to raise funds for the school plays. The dinner theatre was decorated as a U.S.O club to go with the musical, *Kilroy Was Here*.

Officers for drama club were Jena Johnson, president;

Kaitlyn Jordan, vice president; Daniel Dominguez, secretary; Jordan Libel, treasurer; Bree Martinez, historian; and Susan McCulloch, publicist.

The speech team did well with three entries receiving I ratings at State Festival: Jessica Watkins, with her serious solo *Dancing on the Edge*; Desiree Weatherford and Daniel Dominguez in *IDA*; and Daniel Dominguez with his humorous solo, *Harris and Me*. Matthew Doolan received a II in exempt.

Other members of the speech team were Susan McCulloch, Laura Tharman, Elizabeth Tharman, Kerya Wykert and Leslie Ostertag.

The one-act play was "No Show" by Alan Haehnel. It's about a group of students who have no idea what they are supposed to be doing a play on. It was performed at league at Horton and received third place.

The one-act cast members were Jessica Watkins, Susan McCulloch, Laura Greub, Laura Tharman, Kaitlyn Jordan, Elizabeth Tharman, Daniel Dominguez, and Desiree Weatherford. Matt Doolan was also a crucial part to the play by assisting with the lights and sound.



**Jessica Watkins performs her solo. "It was kind of catharsis to get to act crazy every week." - Jessica Watkins. Photo by Susan McCulloch.**



Above: Theatre arts students perform a Halloween skit for the second-graders. From left: Jessica Watkins, Kameron Duncan, Laura Tharman, Lowell Handley, Susan McCulloch and Levi Jenkins. Photo by Barb Winder





Left: Daniel Dominguez performs *Harris and Me* by Garp Paulsen. Daniel got a I rating at state with this piece. Photo by Susan McCulloch

Below: Speech team members. Front row: Laura Tharman, Jessica Watkins, Desiree Weatherford and Leslie Ostertag. Row 2: Elizabeth Tharman, Matt Doolan, and Daniel Dominguez Photo by Whitney Franken



Above: Susan McCulloch performs her humorous solo "Accents, Inc" by John Havens at Fine Arts Night. Photo by Sarah Watkins

## Be yourself

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"Caylor said I made him look like a girl."- Madi Twombly



"Hanging upside-down, what's not to like." -Jessica Watkins



"It's always fun to be someone you're not in class." - Levi Jenkins



"I like acting like a bear and rolling around on the floor." - Kameron Duncan



**"It's hard to keep a straight face during the death statement when your friends are making faces." - Elizabeth Tharman Photo by Susan McCulloch**



# Award Nights

## Honors students



Janie Simpson and Wade Klaus receive the American Legion Award from Paul Keller. Photo by Kacie Fenley



Kia Grable, Brittany Wetmore, Christina Ivey, and Courtney Turpin get cheerleading awards. Photo by Janie Simpson



Mrs. Rockey gives Jessica Watkins and Daniel Dominguez the outstanding student awards for speech and drama. Photo by Kacie Fenley

A different approach was taken for awards. The ceremonies were spread out into three separate nights, opposed to only one night in the spring. There was a fall sports banquet, a winter sports banquet, and an academic ceremony along with spring sports.

The sports banquets included pot-luck dinners. The fall sports banquet honored the cross country, volleyball, and football teams. Team members received pins and books that told all of the teams statistics and also their own individual stats.

During the winter sports banquet the girls' and boys' basketball teams were honored as well as the cheerleading and dance teams. At the banquet, the teams received pins and the girls' and boys' basketball teams also received a stat book.

At the academic awards night, May 8, many scholarships for the seniors were given out, totaling over \$40,000. The most prestigious award of the night was the French Family Scholarship, a renewable \$1,000 scholarship for every year that the student is enrolled in higher education. The scholarship was won by Lyndsi Christopher, Whitney Franken, Laura Greub, Kelby Koehler, Kara Masters, and Janie Simpson.

Andrew Meng, Janie Simpson, and Whitney Franken were awarded the Farm Bureau Scholarship by Farm Bureau President Fred Meng. Andrew Dominguez was awarded a Sterling College Scholarship. Matt Doolan received the Northwest Missouri State University Tower Scholarship.

Mrs. Nancy Clisbee recognized student winners from various areas throughout the year. Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey presented pins to the newspaper and yearbook staff.

Principal Don Cash also recognized Brent Leger and Laura Greub for completing the Regent's curriculum.

The night ended with the track team pins and the baseball and softball teams receiving first-year pins.



Above: Courtney Turpin and Jena Johnson get basketball statistics from Mr. Kevin McNorton at the winter sports awards banquet. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Below: Sophomore Kyle Smith receives an Industrial Arts III award from his teacher Mr. Velharticky. Photo by Kacie Fenley







Above: Sarah Greub and Colin Greaser look on as Kaitlyn Jordan lights a candle for the National Honor Society induction. Veteran members lit colored candles and explained the color behind each candle. Photo by Ryann Marriott.

## Senior Awards

"I am starting to realize just how much in debt I am going to be in. I was very honored and suprised to receive all of those scholarships," said senior Whitney Franken. Photo by Kacie Fenley



"Having the National Honor Society inductions on awards night is the same as usual, except that I didn't have to stay the whole night, just for certain awards," said Matt Doolan. Photo by Kacie Fenley



"It felt good to get an award for all my hard work," said industrial arts student Andrew Meng. Photo by Kacie Fenley





# Senior Trip

## Dallas, here we come



The senior boys enjoyed their sit-down dinner at the "delightfully tacky yet unrefined restaurant." Photo by Kara Masters



Principal Don Cash rides the go-karts at the Speed Zone. Photo by Ryann Marriott



Lowell Handley and Tim Kostman play games at the Malibu Speed Zone. Photo by Jan Simpson

May 11 was the day that the seniors departed for some fun in Dallas, Texas.

The seniors boarded the chartered bus for the nine-hour trip. Arriving at approximately 10 p.m., they were allowed to party in each other's rooms until curfew at 1 a.m. Then they had to rest for the big things to come Saturday.

Saturday morning the class traveled to downtown Dallas to visit the Sixth Floor Museum. They also got a tour about the assassination of President John F. Kennedy and the exact spot where he was assassinated.

They loaded the bus to spend an afternoon at the Speed Zone, where they could pick from four different race tracks or play arcade games.

Top, Right: Wade Klaus and Kara Masters get ready to ride the Titan., a 225-foot roller coaster at Six Flags over Texas. Photo by Ryann Marriott

They headed back to the hotel to watch a movie and eat popcorn, provided by the hotel.

Sunday morning the students woke early to enjoy a long day at Six Flags over Texas. Many of the students rode the roller coasters while others played games. Many cooled off with water rides.

The class decided to eat supper at Hooters, and then partied in each other's rooms.

They left Dallas Monday morning and headed for Oklahoma City to visit the Oklahoma City bombing memorial. Students spent about 30 minutes reflecting on the aftermath of the bombing.

Senior class sponsor Joel Kahnt said, "It was a great trip. I think everyone had a good time. Everyone was outstanding."

Right: Jessica Watkins and Laura Greub wait for the light to turn green so they can begin racing the grand prix car. Photo by Laura Tharman







Above: Kelby Koehler, Josh Smith and Wade Klaus get ready to race each other in the Top Eliminator Dragster. The cars went from 0 to 70 in 3.5 seconds. The ride is set up so friends can race each other. The trick to the ride is that you have to leave when the light is yellow, not green. Photo by Janie Simpson

## Highlights of Dallas

"One of my favorite things would have to be keeping Meng up all night and picking on him." Luke Wampler



"I really enjoyed being able to hang out with all my friends for the last time."  
Patrick Dulin



"My favorite thing about senior trip would have to be listening to the interesting conversations among the male species."  
Laura Tharman





# Graduation

## A final memory of high school



Brent Leger, Jessica Watkins, Susan McCulloch, Leslie Smith, and Ryann Marriott sing at graduation. Photo by Kacie Fenley



After giving his family roses and hugs, Andrew Dominguez gives fellow classmate Kevin Luedke a hug before they receive their diplomas. Photo by Kacie Fenley



Valedictorian Whitney Franken gives her speech at graduation after Laura Greub, salutatorian gave her speech. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Troy High School's graduation was May 20 in the C.W. Oliver Gymnasium. The ceremony began with the high school band playing "Pomp and Circumstance."

The junior escorts were Jena Johnson and Kaitlyn Jordan. Principal Don Cash gave the welcome.

The high school chorus sang "For Good" for the seniors' last performance. During the song some of the seniors started to cry.

After that, Mr. Cash introduced the salutatorian, Laura Greub. After her speech Mr. Cash introduced the valedictorian, Whitney Franken. Both girls received medals.

During the video presentation the seniors each had four pictures from their childhood along with one of their senior pictures.

The seniors then had their dedication to their family. They chose the song "Because You Love Me" by Celine Dion. During the presentation the seniors gave roses to their parents along with other members of their families. Many of the seniors also gave hugs to their fellow classmates.

After the seniors were done with the presentation, Mr. Cash presented the class to the board of education. President Hugh Kinsey presented the graduates with their diplomas. As the seniors walked off the stage, escorts Johnson and Jordan gave each graduate their class flower, an iris.

Mr. Cash then presented the class as the graduating class of 2007. They then turned their tassels and walked out to the receiving line in front of the high school.



Above Right: Lyndsi Christopher, Whitney Franken, Janie Simpson, and Kara Masters are congratulated in front of the high school after the ceremony. Photo by Kacie Fenley

Right: Whitney Morgan gets her flower from Jena Johnson after she received her diploma. Kaitlyn Jordan waits for the next graduate to cross the stage. Photo by Kacie Fenley





Above: Josh Smith shakes the hand of board member Rita Clary after he has received his diploma. The seniors were each congratulated by the board members and the superintendent. Photo by Kacie Fenley

## Taking a step forward

"I was really excited for graduation, but I was a little nervous at the same time. I didn't really know what to expect at the ceremony, but I think it turned out really nice," said Andrew Meng. Photo by Kacie Fenley



"It was definitely nerve-racking giving a speech in front of so many people. My knees were shaking the entire time. It only took me about four days to completely finish the speech," said Laura Greub. Photo by Kacie Fenley



"It was nice that I got a very good seat. It was fun goofing with the seniors before we walked them out there," said Kaitlyn Jordan. Photo by Janie Johnson





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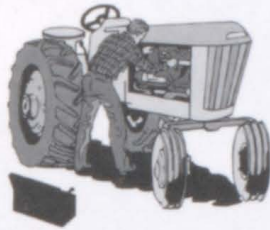
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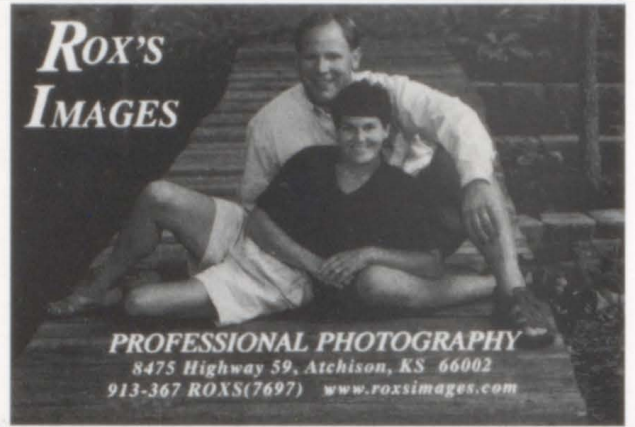
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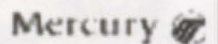
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*Looking back on the year...*

# priceless

Webster's definition of beginning is to come into existence. At Troy High School, this is exactly what each student did. They came into their own unique existence as a Trojan.

Webster's definition of closing is a conclusion in time or existence. Although May 24 marked the conclusion of exams, sporting events, and the 8:10 tardy bell, each person's unique existence remained within him or her.

The pride and honor gained while reaching the height of this "unique, Trojan pride" made eventful memories that will never fade.

So although students tended to look at high school as stressful and dull they are left with a new-found existence. And when each student walks out of the halls of Troy High for the last time...their existence is left from Troy High and entered into a much bigger and better world. And that...is priceless.

*Sincerely,*

*Your editors*

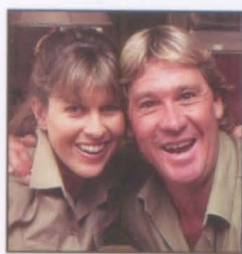


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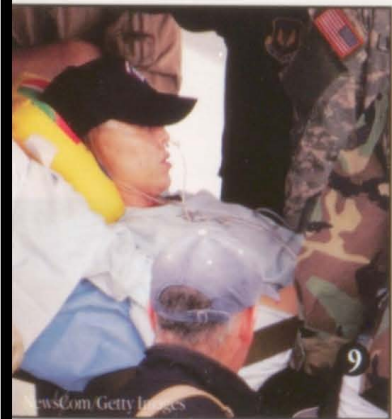
# WORLD



1. President George W. Bush announced in January 2007 that he would send an additional 21,500 troops to Iraq to improve security and assist with U.S. efforts there. Bush vowed that the Americans killed would not have died in vain. The 2008 budget projection for fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan and repairing and replacing equipment lost in combat was an estimated \$141.7 billion. American death tolls in Iraq eclipsed 3,150 and the official total for Americans wounded surpassed 23,500.

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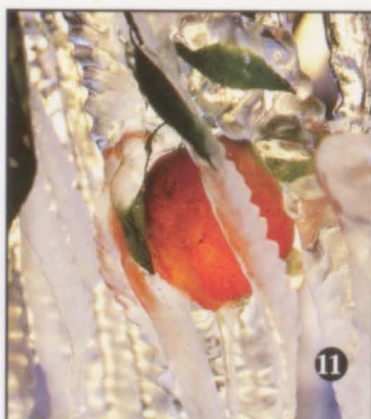
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# EVENT





China successfully used a missile carrying a "kill vehicle" to blast an old Chinese weather satellite from its orbit 537 miles above Earth. U.S. government officials said that the test could undermine relations with the West and pose a threat to satellites important to the U.S. military.

A team of French doctors removed a cyst from a man's arm in a 10-minute mid-air surgery used as a feasibility study for possible surgery in space. The five-doctor team operated in near zero-gravity conditions produced by an Airbus 300 looping to create interval dives simulating weightlessness.

A Kansas teenager racked up perfect scores on the ACT and SAT. Jakub Voboril of Wichita got a 36 on the ACT on his third try. He received his SAT results shortly after the perfect ACT score: a perfect score of 2400. He did check out test prep books, but his advice: "Pay attention in class."

The baiji, a rare, nearly blind white river dolphin, is effectively extinct. Researchers say pollution and overfishing in the Yangtze River caused the species' demise. Plus, ship traffic there confused the sonar the baiji used to find food.

Americans won the Nobel prizes for physics (John Mather of NASA Goddard Flight Center and George Smoot from UC Berkeley with their satellite program that backed up the Big Bang theory), chemistry (Roger D. Kornberg from Stanford School of Medicine who studied how cells take information from genes to produce proteins), medicine (Andrew Z. Fire from MIT and Craig C. Mello from Harvard who discovered a way to turn off specific genes) and economics (Edmund S. Phelps from Columbia University for examining the trade-offs between inflation and its effects on unemployment).

Houston truck driver Tyrone Williams was spared the death penalty and sentenced to life in prison for his role in the nation's deadliest smuggling attempt - a journey that ended in the deaths of 19 illegal immigrants crammed into a sweltering tractor-trailer, after Williams abandoned them and the rig.

2. Austrian police confirmed the identity of Natascha Kampusch, believed to have been held captive since her abduction as a 10-year-old.

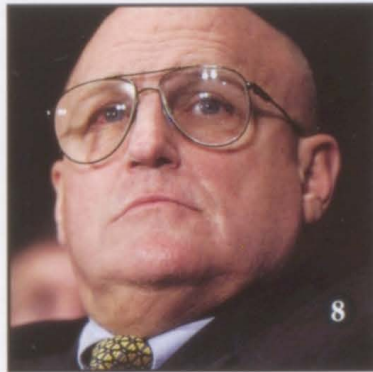
3. Through the prime cruise season, there were breakouts of the highly contagious norovirus on ships sailing the world's seas. Hundreds fell victim to the virus' flu-like symptoms.



4. Congress extended Daylight Savings Time for the sake of energy efficiency. Clocks were changed March 11 rather than the first Sunday in April.

5. Texan Andrea Yates was found not guilty by reason of insanity of murdering her five children by drowning them in a bathtub five years ago.

6. A newborn male white buffalo in a Wisconsin herd attracted the attention of Native Americans who consider the animal sacred for its potential to bring good fortune and peace. This is the third white buffalo born into the herd.



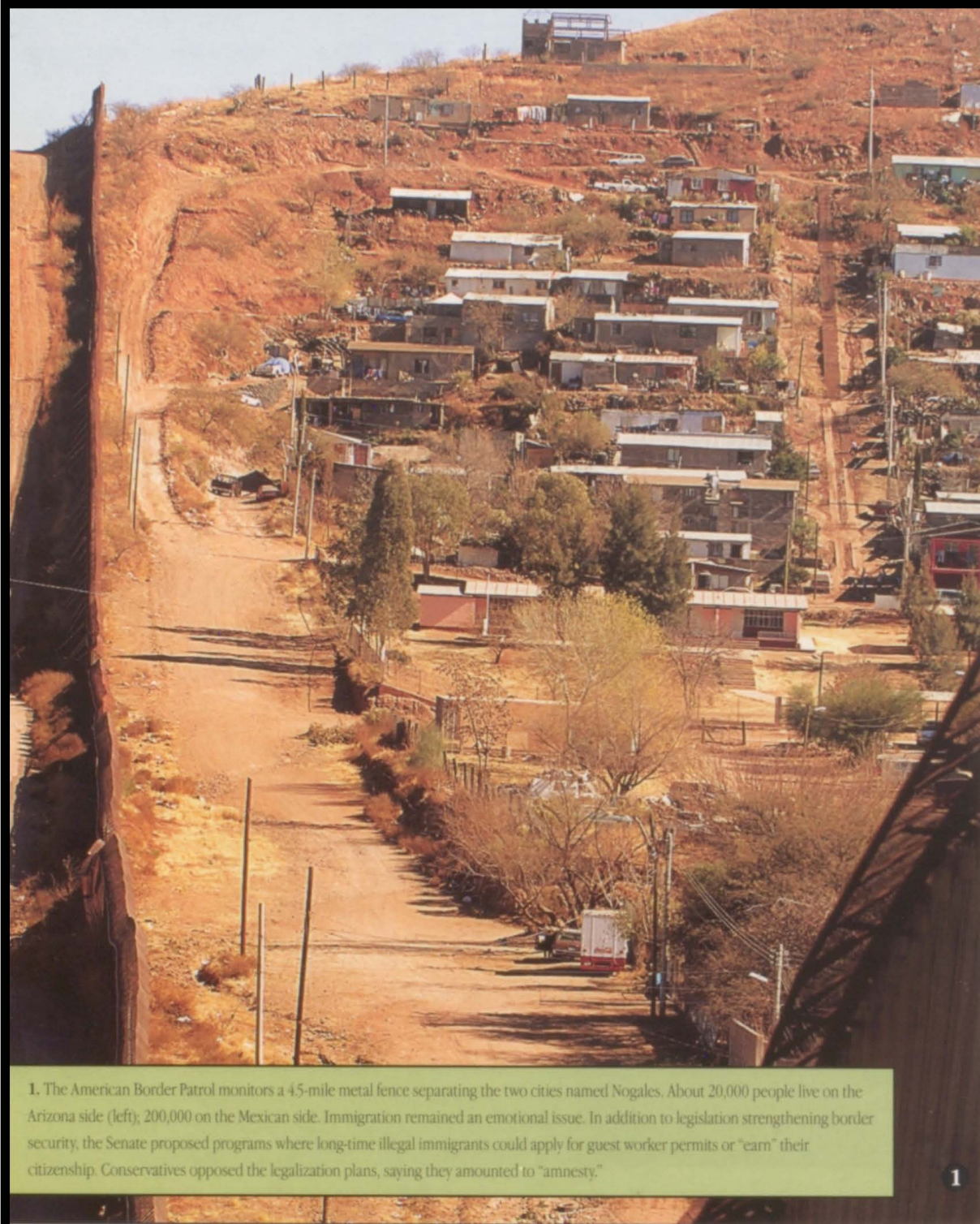
7. In January 2007, Northern Europe was hit by an unusually strong storm which killed an Englishman when a falling branch crushed his car. Heavy rains and gale-force winds caused delays in air and sea travel. 8. Former State Department official Richard Armitage admitted that he inadvertently revealed CIA employee Valerie Plame's identity to reporters.

9. CBS correspondent Kimberly Dozier was the only member of her crew who survived a June car bombing in Baghdad. 10. Students found a way to receive messages in class by downloading a ringtone with a pitch so high teachers couldn't hear it. 11. As much as 75 percent of California's citrus crop was damaged in a January 2007 cold snap that lasted more than a week. 12. Gerald Ford, the 38th president, died on Dec. 26, 2006, and was buried in Grand Rapids, MI.

13. On Sept. 6, 2006, British Prime Minister Tony Blair announced that the 2006 Labour Party conference would be his last. 14. Apple Computer's new \$499 iPhone was a major release at Macworld 2007. 15. The death of former Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet prompted demonstrations of celebration. 16. The family of Milena Del Valle filed a wrongful death lawsuit after she was crushed by 12 tons of concrete in a "Big Dig" accident at the Boston highway construction project.







1. The American Border Patrol monitors a 4.5-mile metal fence separating the two cities named Nogales. About 20,000 people live on the Arizona side (left); 200,000 on the Mexican side. Immigration remained an emotional issue. In addition to legislation strengthening border security, the Senate proposed programs where long-time illegal immigrants could apply for guest worker permits or "earn" their citizenship. Conservatives opposed the legalization plans, saying they amounted to "amnesty."

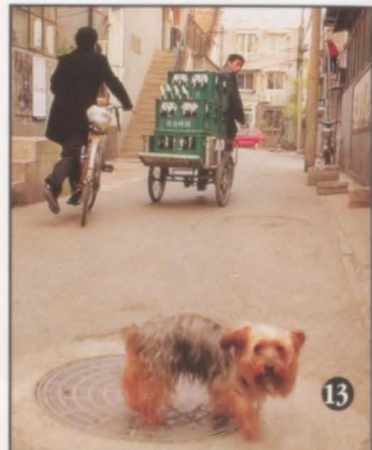
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2. Congressman Bob Ney, R - OH, pleaded guilty to federal criminal corruption charges and announced he would not seek re-election.



7. January was warmer than usual in many parts of the country. Punxsutawney Phil predicted an early spring on Groundhog Day, but bitter cold, days of ice and as much as 10 feet of snow (in parts of upstate New York) typified February.



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13. Animal rights activists were up in arms when more than 50,000 dogs were slaughtered in China in a government-ordered crackdown after three people died of rabies. Only military dogs and police canine units were spared.



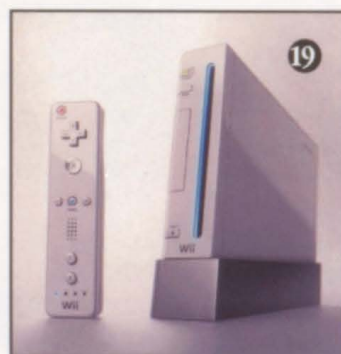
17. President Bush signed legislation in October authorizing tough interrogation of terror suspects and trials before military commissions. While Bush claimed that he knew the bill would save lives, the ACLU called it "one of the worst civil liberties measures ever enacted."

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18. A 6.3 magnitude earthquake struck Indonesia on May 27, 2006, killing more than 5,800 and injuring 36,299. Thousands of aftershocks followed and hundreds of thousands were left homeless in central Java.

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19. November releases of Playstation 3 and Wii were immediate sell-outs. Sony's 400,000 Playstation 3s cost \$600, but Nintendo priced the Wii at \$250 including one game and expected to sell 4 million units by year's end.

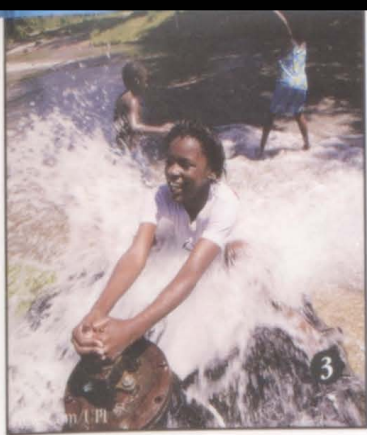
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20. Scientists documented more than 1,000 biological species unique to the Eastern Arc Mountains of Tanzania and Kenya. The area, which is slightly smaller than the state of Rhode Island, is mainly forested.



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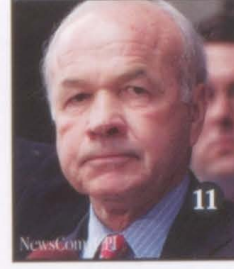


3. For these youngsters in St. Louis, fire hydrants were the only source of relief from July's heat after storms knocked out electrical power.

4. Citing climate change as a cause, scientists studied a giant ice shelf – the size of Manhattan – which broke away from an island south of the North Pole and was adrift as an independent island.

5. Findings from the surgeon general declared secondhand smoke at any level a hazard.

6. Fighting in Lebanon lessened after the U.N. Security Council passed Resolution 1701, but Hezbollah leaders insisted they would not drop their weapons.



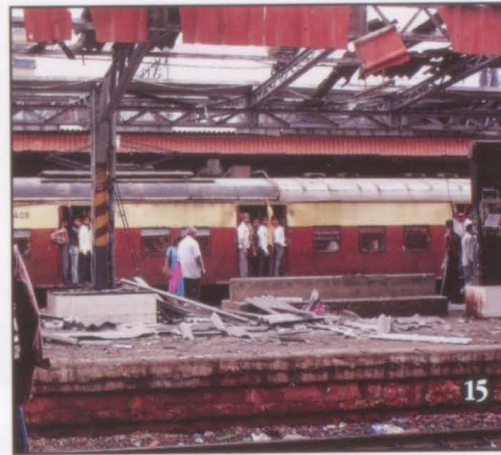
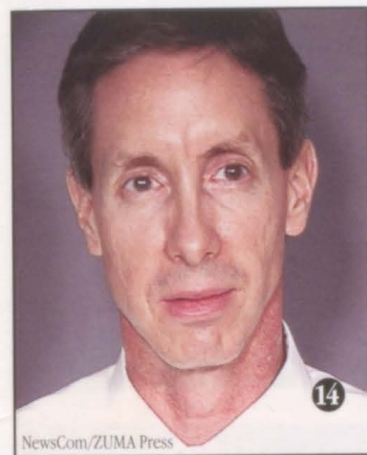
8. Billionaire Warren Buffett announced that he would be donating the bulk of his wealth to charity, mainly the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

9. Health issues caused Cuban leader Fidel Castro, 80, to relinquish power to his brother, Raul, in July. Officials would not disclose his condition.

10. In August, a Lexington, Kentucky, crash killed 49 of 50 people aboard the Comair flight bound for Atlanta when the plane was assigned to a runway too short for safe take-off. New policies for air traffic controllers resulted.

11. Enron founder Kenneth Lay (who died in 2006) and former CEO Jeffrey Skilling were found guilty of fraud and conspiracy in Houston in July.

12. A frilled shark was captured on videotape south of Tokyo. These sharks are rarely seen because they live in water between 1,968 and 3,280 feet deep – which is deeper than humans can go. The shark died shortly after its appearance.



14. Warren Steed Jeffs, a polygamist sect leader on the FBI's Most Wanted List, was arrested near Las Vegas in August. He was wanted for arranging marriages between underage girls and older men. 15. Timers hidden in pencils were discovered at several of the seven sites where bombs exploded on commuter trains in India's financial capital, killing 185.

16. Gas prices repeatedly hit record highs in July and August, averaging more than \$3 for a gallon of self-serve regular when a technical fault and pipeline corrosion in BP's Prudhoe Bay oilfield in Alaska cut production.

21. Polar bears are considered a "threatened" species as scientists predict that global warming may eliminate their habitat entirely by 2040. The report said there is little doubt that global warming has been caused by human activities. 22. A woman who disappeared in the jungles of Cambodia as a child was found 19 years later. The 27-year-old, who does not speak, was identified by a scar on her arm. She disappeared in 1988 while herding buffalo.





Blast injuries killed Al-Qaeda leader Abu Musab al-Zarqawi in June when bombs were dropped on the Iraqi safehouse where he was meeting with associates.

In October, searchers found bones believed to have been overlooked in searches following the 2001 World Trade Center attacks. Search officials identified dozens of areas to be re-examined; the active search to identify the dead ended in 2002. More than 40 percent of the 2,749 victims have never been identified with DNA matches.

The Dow Jones industrial average closed above 12,000 for the first time ever on Oct. 19, 2006, and remained above that lofty benchmark through year's end.

Concentration camp and incarceration records would be the first Nazi documents released under a plan to make millions of files stored in Germany accessible to Holocaust researchers. Holocaust survivors have waited decades to see records meticulously kept by the Nazis; transport documents and death lists, and notes on concentration camp inmates ranging from their hereditary diseases to the number of lice plucked from their heads are included.

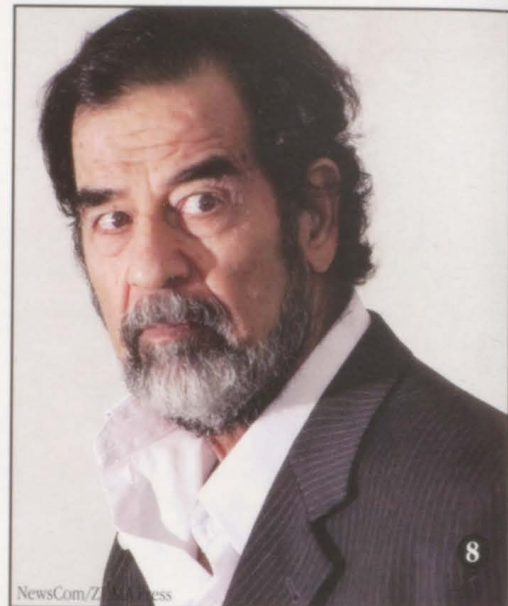
At 14, Michael Perham, from Potters Bar in Hertfordshire, England, became the youngest person to sail solo across the Atlantic Ocean. He arrived in Antigua in January, seven weeks after setting off on the 3,500-mile journey from Gibraltar aboard the 28-foot boat, Cheeky Monkey.

Three climbers stranded after a fall on Oregon's Mt. Hood were rescued in February after spending the night amid ferocious winds and blowing snow. The two women and a man slipped off a ledge and fell about 100 feet in the process of descending from a winter climb and camping expedition interrupted by bad weather. In December, three members of a climbing party perished on the 11,239-foot mountain when the group became separated. After 10 days, searchers recovered one of the bodies in a snow cave and called off their work as another winter storm approached the area. The other climbers were presumed dead.



1. Women made history in Kuwait's June Parliamentary elections as it was the first time females were allowed to run for office and the first time Kuwaiti women were allowed to vote. 2. The outbreak of illness linked to E. coli in spinach in September hospitalized 60 and caused a ban on bagged California spinach. Before year's end, another E. coli outbreak, this one traced to lettuce and green onions served by the fast food chain Taco Bell and others, sickened more than 70 who had patronized East Coast restaurants.

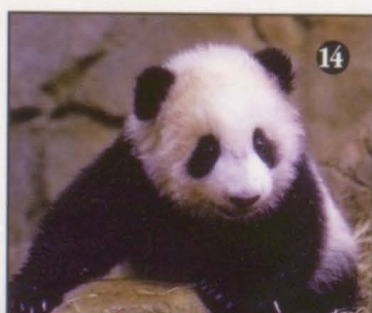
3. King Taufa'ahau Tupou IV, who reigned over Tonga's 170 islands in the South Pacific for 41 years, was buried in September. 4. Microsoft's Windows Vista, the operating system that replaced Windows XP, was released too late for the holiday sales season after five years in development. 5. Japan's long-running debate over whether women should be allowed to succeed to the throne ended in September when Princess Kiko gave birth to a son, Hisahito. The new prince is third in line for the throne behind his uncle and his father. 6. Airline passengers faced new travel restrictions after British authorities uncovered a terrorist plot to use liquid explosives to blow up airplanes headed to the United States.



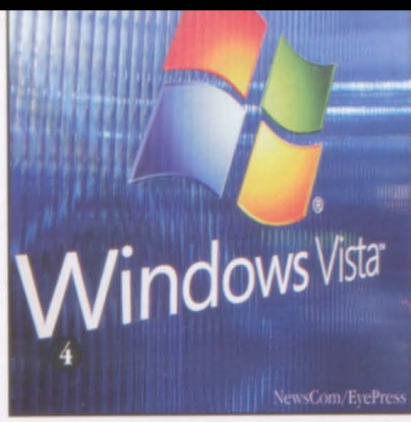
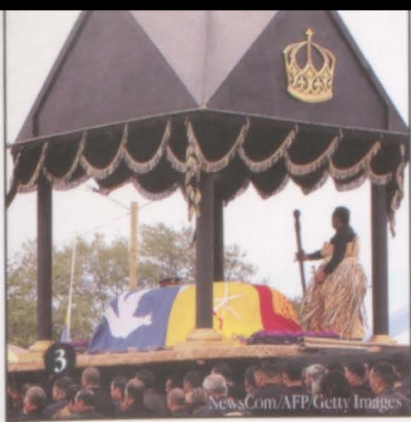
7. After firing a number of test missiles during summer months, North Korea agreed to a deal to begin closing down its nuclear arms program in exchange for \$300 million in fuel and financial aid. 8. Celebrations broke out in Baghdad when former dictator Saddam Hussein was executed by hanging in December.

10. Former Soviet spy Alexander Litvinenko died in November after exposure to a radioactive poison. 11. Sony mylo (my life online) was created to attract younger users with Web browsing, messaging, phone and digital music capabilities.

12. Entrepreneur Anousheh Ansari paid a reported \$20 million to become the fourth private spaceflight participant. 13. More than 9.8 million acres burned during the 2006 fire season, the worst in 50 years. 14. With the population of wild panda bears below 1,600, the Chinese began breeding in captivity; 30 cubs were born in 2006. 15. Breaking the record for American cars sold at auction, a 1966 Shelby Cobra sold for \$5.5 million. 16. The FDA approved a vaccine for cervical cancer in June and Merck and Co. began distribution. 17. The Libyan Supreme Court overturned death sentences of five nurses and a doctor accused of intentionally infecting more than 400 children with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.



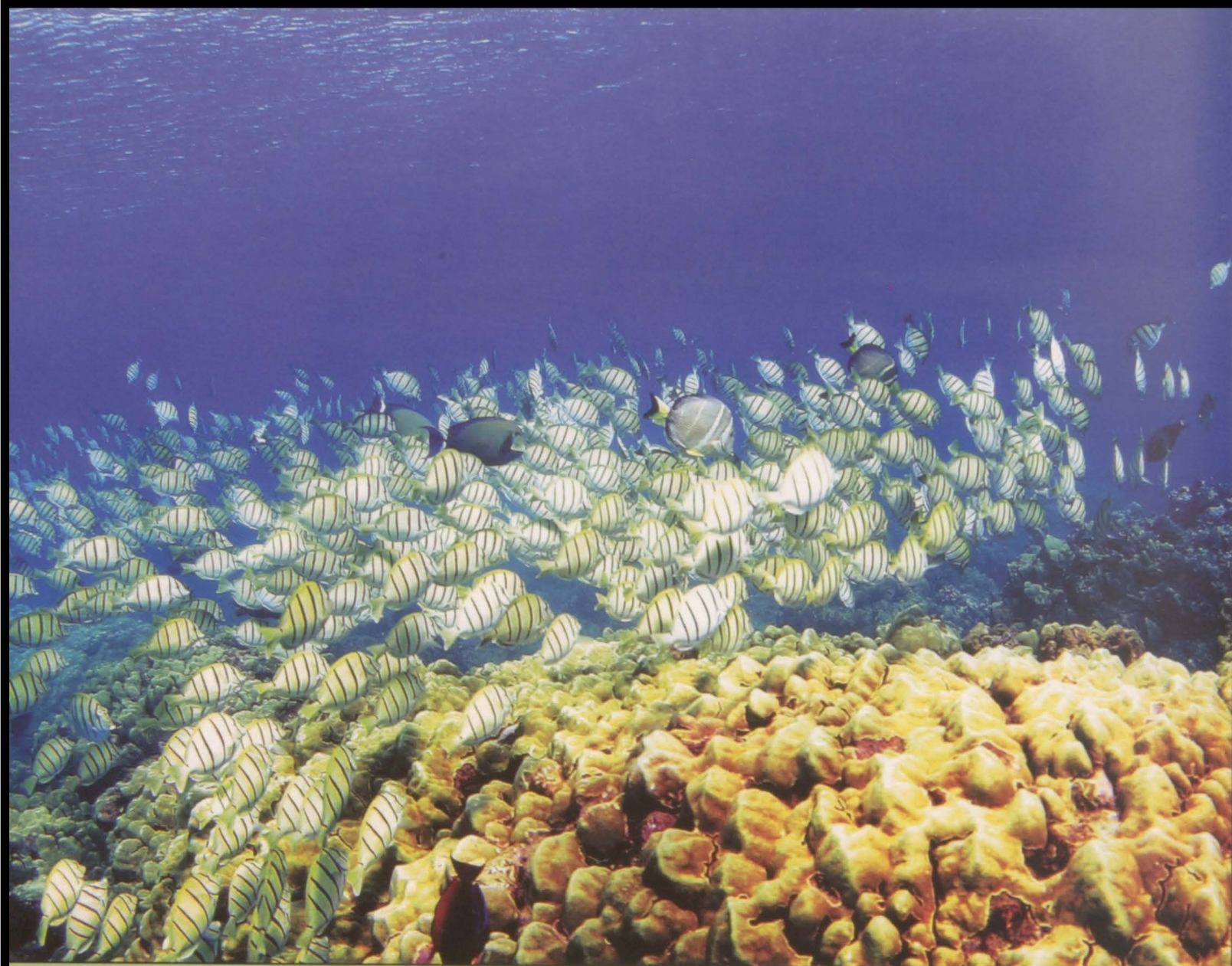




9. In the nation's third deadly school shooting in less than a week, a milk-truck driver killed five female students before he shot himself. The Oct. 2 incident sent shockwaves through Nickel Mines, PA, a Lancaster County town where the one-room Amish schoolhouse was located. The gunman, who left notes for his family before heading to the school, was not Amish but was apparently acting out of revenge for something that happened when he was a boy. In other instances of school violence, deaths occurred in Bailey, CO; Montreal, QB; Sudbury, MA and Tacoma, WA.



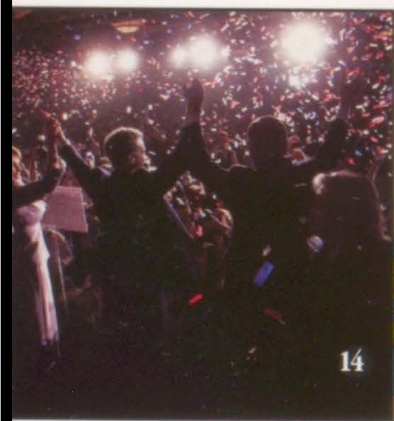




1. In June, President Bush designated a group of remote Hawaiian islands that cover 84 million acres and are home to 7,000 species of birds, fish and marine animals as the nation's 75th national monument. At the White House ceremony, Bush described the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands as "America's Galapagos" and revealed that the 139,000 square miles of uninhabited islands, reefs and atolls is more than 100 times the size of Yosemite National Park.

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14. For the first time in 12 years, Democrats won control of both the House and the Senate. Celebrating Democrats called the election a loud message from the American people.



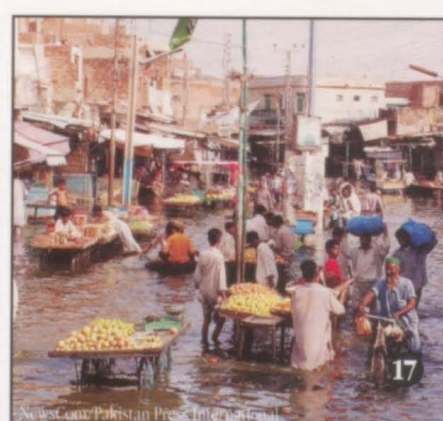
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15. Joe Barbera, of the famed Hanna-Barbera animation team which created Yogi Bear, the Flintstones, the Jetsons, Scooby-Doo and Tom and Jerry, died in December at age 95.



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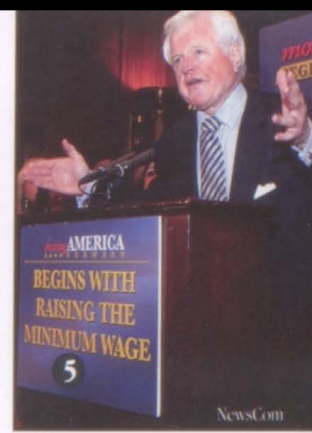
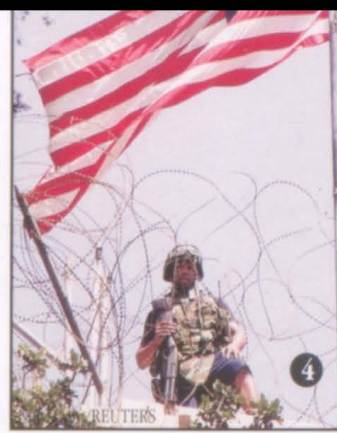
16. Montreal blogger Kyle MacDonald, 26, proved the power of the Internet when he bartered his way from a red paper clip to a home in Saskatchewan.



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17. The disastrous cycle of drought and flooding caused death and damage worldwide. More than 500 died in the aftermath of Tropical Storm Bilis in China, Japan and the Koreans in July, and floods killed 1,000 in Africa in August.



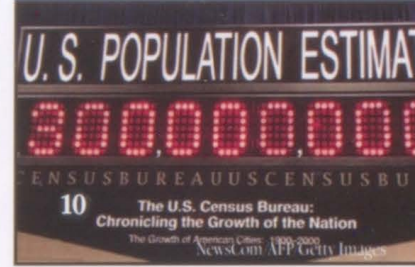


2. When Katherine Jefferts Schori was elected presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church, she became the first woman to lead a province.

3. Ben Ownby and Shawn Hornbeck were found in the St. Louis-area apartment of a man who allegedly abducted them; Ben was held just four days, but Shawn had been captive nearly four years.

4. Marines guard the U.S. Embassy in Damascus, Syria, after a September attack by armed Islamic militants.

5. Ted Kennedy, D - MA, proposed a bill to increase minimum wage to \$7.25 per hour over three years.



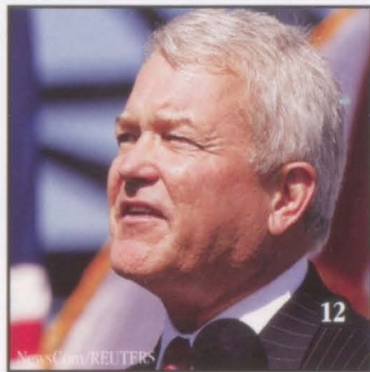
6. In August, a group of international astronomers stripped Pluto of its planetary status, downsizing the solar system to eight planets.

7. Though John Mark Carr confessed to killing JonBenet Ramsey, Boulder County (CO) district attorneys said DNA evidence showed otherwise.

8. Ford Motor Co. announced plans to close 14 plants and cut more than 25,000 jobs (20-25 percent of its North American work force) by 2012. The second-largest U.S. automaker is restructuring to reverse a \$1.6 billion loss last year.

9. Teenager Zachariah Blanton admitted to a series of high school shootings in Indiana which killed one person, wounded another and damaged vehicles.

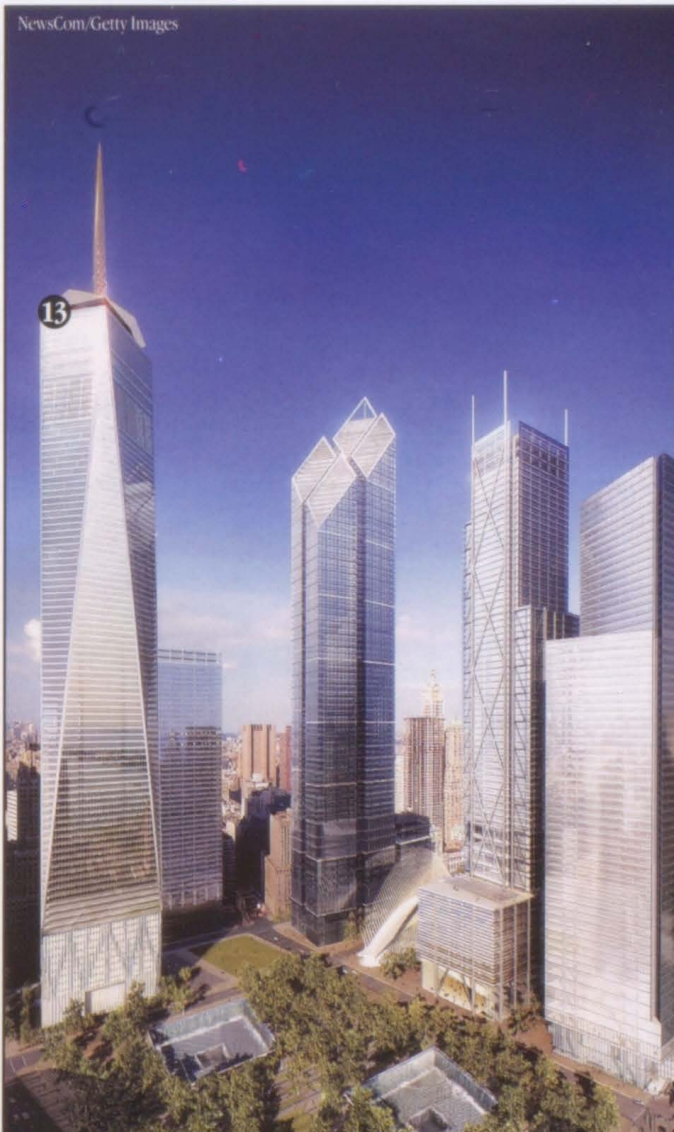
10. At 7:46 a.m. on Oct. 17, 2006, the U.S. population officially passed 300 million. The formula used in tracking population considered births, deaths and immigration. Only the countries of China and India are more populous.



11. Archeologists found a village of small houses that may have sheltered those who built Stonehenge or housed people attending festivals there. 12. Florida Representative Mark Foley resigned after it was revealed that he communicated inappropriately with one or more former White House pages.

13. Plans were unveiled for the revised Freedom Tower at Ground Zero, which will be America's tallest building. The tower, a symbol of New York's revitalization after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, is scheduled for completion by 2011.

18. An earthquake measuring 6.6 on the Richter scale hit Hawaii in mid-October, causing a landslide that blocked a major highway. A state-wide disaster declaration was posted, but no fatalities were reported. A number of aftershocks, including one with a magnitude of 5.8, followed. 19. Leading Internet search engine Google acquired YouTube for \$1.65 billion in an October all-stock deal. YouTube founders Chad Hurley and Steve Chen each received shares of Google stock worth approximately \$326 million, while an array of other employees and YouTube's venture capital backers shared the remainder. In other technology news, MySpace began distributing Amber alerts, which announce local child abductions.





# TV MO

## POPULAR TV SHOWS

- My Name is Earl
- The Office
- American Idol
- Dancing with the Stars
  - My Boys
  - Studio 60
  - 30 Rock
- Prison Break
- The Class
- Two and a Half Men
  - Medium
  - The Closer
- The Amazing Race
- The New Adventures of Old Christine

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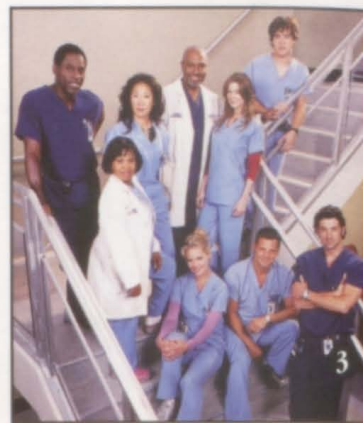
- DaVinci Code
- Mission Impossible III
- Ice Age: The Meltdown
  - Talledega Nights
  - You, Me & Dupree
  - Gridiron Gang
- The Devil Wears Prada
  - Open Season
  - Grudge II
- Man of the Year
  - Borat
  - Happy Feet
  - Casino Royale
  - Click
- The Pursuit of Happyness
- Charlotte's Web
  - Babel



1. ABC's "Ugly Betty" won the Golden Globe for best comedy and star America Ferrera was named best comedy actress.



2. NBC's new epic drama "Heroes" chronicles the lives of ordinary people who learn they have extraordinary powers. The show's premiere attracted 14.3 million viewers and received the highest rating for any NBC drama premiere in five years.



3. "Grey's Anatomy" was in the spotlight as the winner of the Golden Globe for best drama, but also because of internal issues regarding Isaiah Washington's less-than-sensitive remarks.



4. Hugh Laurie, title character in "House" (originally "House M.D.") won his second Golden Globe award in three seasons of the medical drama.



5. Mary J. Blige won Grammy Awards for Best R&B album, Best R&B Song and Best R&B Female Vocal Performance for "Be Without You."



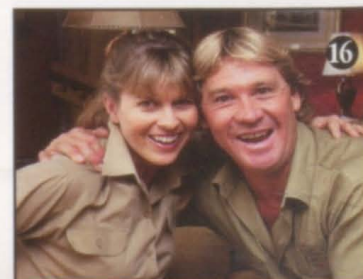
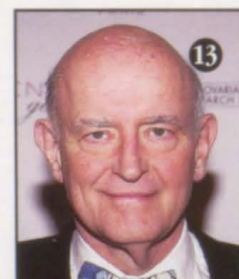
6. Former "American Idol" champion Carrie Underwood won Grammy Awards for Best New Artist and Best Female Country Vocal Performance.



7. "X-Men: The Last Stand" broke the Memorial Day box office record, bringing in \$234,360,104 in ticket sales. The thriller, which starred Hugh Jackman, Patrick Stewart, Halle Berry and Ian McKellen, opened on May 26, 2006.

9. Jennifer Hudson won both the Oscar and a Golden Globe as best supporting actress in a motion picture as Effie White in the musical film "Dreamgirls." In March, the former "American Idol" competitor became the first African-American singer to be featured on the cover of Vogue. 10. The Dixie Chicks collected five Grammy Awards, including Song of the Year, Record of the Year and Album of the Year. 11. The award-winning serial drama "Lost" entered its third season following the lives of a group of plane crash survivors on a mysterious tropical island. Filmed on Oahu with an ensemble cast, the show was one of television's most expensive to produce. 12. In October, Reese Witherspoon and Ryan Phillippe announced their plans to divorce after seven years marriage. They had two children: Ava, 7, and Deacon, 3.

13. Emmy-winning actor, Peter Boyle, best known as the cranky father on "Everybody Loves Raymond," died in December at age 71. 14. Brandon Routh donned the tights for the filming of "Superman Returns," which opened in June 2006. 15. Actress/rapper Queen Latifah earned her star on the famous Hollywood Walk of Fame in January 2007. Hers was the 2,298th star to be featured. 16. "Crocodile Hunter" Steve Irwin met an untimely death in September when a stingray barb fatally pierced his heart. His 8-year-old daughter, Bindi Sue, planned to follow in his footsteps with her own animal show on TV.





# VILES &



8. Produced by Disney and Pixar Animation Studios, "Cars," followed in the tracks of other John Lasseter successes and, like "Toy Story" and "A Bug's Life," featured many familiar voices. In addition to Owen Wilson, Cheech Marin, George Carlin and Larry the Cable Guy, a host of racecar drivers like Richard Petty, Mario Andretti and Dale Earnhardt, Jr. brought the "characters" to life. Notable cameos included sports broadcaster Bob Costas as Bob Cutlass, Jay Leno as Jay Limo and the hosts of NPR's weekly "Car Talk" as Rusty and Dusty Rust-Eze.

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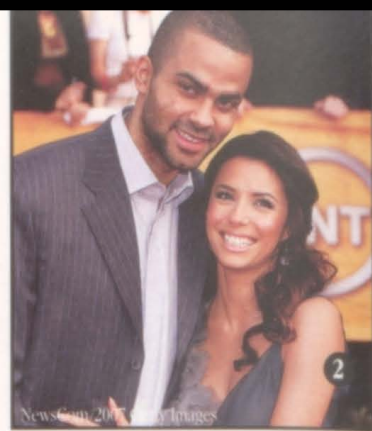
# MYSTIC





1. When Justin Timberlake released his second solo album, "FutureSex/LoveSounds," in September, it debuted at number one on the Billboard chart, selling 684,000 copies its first week. He won Grammy awards for "SexyBack" and "My Love" and the album was nominated in two other categories. In addition, he starred in his biggest film role to date when he teamed up with Bruce Willis, Sharon Stone, Ben Foster and Emile Hirsch in "Alpha Dog," a January 2007 release about a young drug dealer and his involvement in a murder/kidnapping.

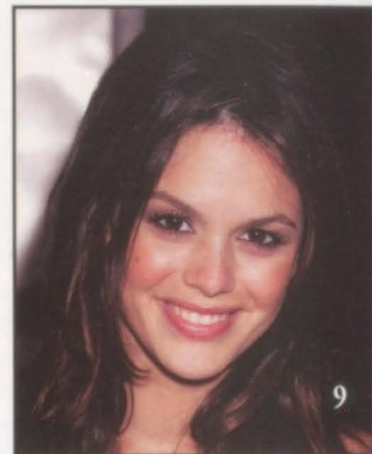
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2. San Antonio Spurs point guard Tony Parker and actress Eva Longoria plan to wed in France in the summer of 2007.



5. The CBS Evening News got a new look when Dan Rather retired after 44 years with the network. In September, Katie Couric, who left NBC's "Today" show in May, became the first solo female anchor of a major evening news show.



9. The once-hot teenage soap, "The O.C.," was cancelled as of Feb. 22, 2007. Creator Josh Schwartz said, "The finale will bring real closure to the story we began telling four years ago."

12. Kelly Clarkson, winner of "American Idol" 2002, announced her partnership with NASCAR.

13. Singer/songwriter/guitarist John Mayer released his third studio album, "Continuum," in September. 14. Shakira's "Hips Don't Lie" set the record for most downloads sold in a single week.



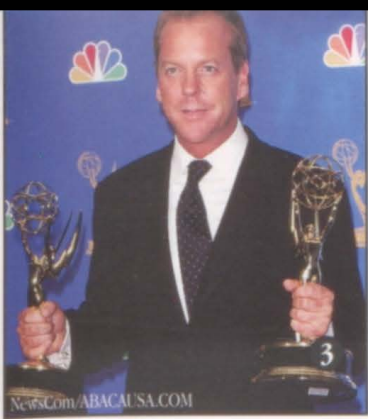
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3. Fox's "24" and Kiefer Sutherland won 2006 Emmys for Outstanding Drama Series and Best Actor in a Drama Series.



4. Johnny Depp returned to the big screen as Captain Jack Sparrow in "Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest," which opened on July 7, 2006, with the top single-day gross ever.



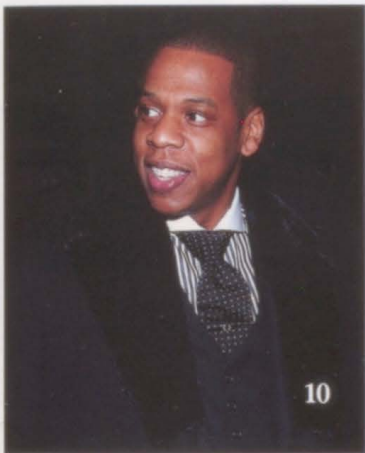
6. Rachael Ray, Food Network show host, bestselling cookbook author and editor in chief of her own magazine, added talk show host to her resume.



7. Ben Stiller grew up just a few blocks away from Manhattan's Museum of Natural History, the setting of his 2006 movie "Night at the Museum."



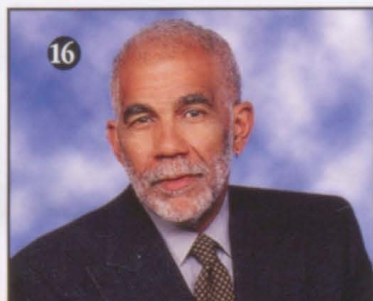
8. Kenny Chesney, 2007 People's Choice Male Vocalist of the Year and 2006 CMA Entertainer of the Year, sold 1.3 million tickets in 2006 making his "The Road & The Radio" the most attended tour of any genre in North America last year.



10. President of Def Jam Records and rapper Jay-Z took on several new roles this year. In addition to "Kingdom Come," an album he describes as "mature and reflective," he made a documentary about the global water shortage. The U.N. hailed his efforts as humanitarian. 11. James Brown, the "Godfather of Soul," died of pneumonia on Christmas Day at 73.



15. While wedding bell rumors persisted for Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie, Pitt told Esquire magazine that the couple had no plans to marry until "everyone else in the country who wants to be married is legally able." 16. Ed Bradley, veteran CBS newsmen who broke racial barriers at the network, died in November of leukemia. 17. Taylor Hicks, a 29-year-old from Birmingham, Alabama, was named the fifth "American Idol." Hicks' fans, the "Soul Patrol," found his raw singing style, his crazy dance moves and his unlikely mop of grey hair irresistible. 18. "The Departed," a remake of the popular 2002 Hong Kong crime thriller "Infernal Affairs," won four Oscars: Best Picture, Best Director (Martin Scorsese's first after seven previous nominations), Best Adapted Screenplay and Best Film Editing.



MTV celebrated 25 years on the air in August, 2006 and continued to expand coverage and affect programming with shows like "TRL," "Control Freak," "Road Rules," "My Sweet 16," "Real World" and "Underage and Engaged."

A Sacramento radio station fired 10 employees when a listener died following an on-air water drinking contest. While 18 contestants were vying for a Nintendo Wii console, a nurse called in to warn about water intoxication and was ignored.

Queen Elizabeth II bestowed honorary knighthood on U2's Bono, recognizing his humanitarian work, particularly his campaign against poverty in Africa.

A New Jersey eighth grader took home top honors - and more than \$42,000 in cash and prizes - as winner of the 2006 Scripps National Spelling Bee. Katharine Close, the first girl to win since 1999, spelled "urspache" to win the televised bee.

Anna Nicole Smith's death was surrounded by questions and controversy from the start. The blonde 39-year-old with a newborn, an ongoing estate battle and a tabloid lifestyle died in a Florida hotel on Feb. 8, 2007. Within days, three men claimed paternity of her five-month-old heiress daughter.

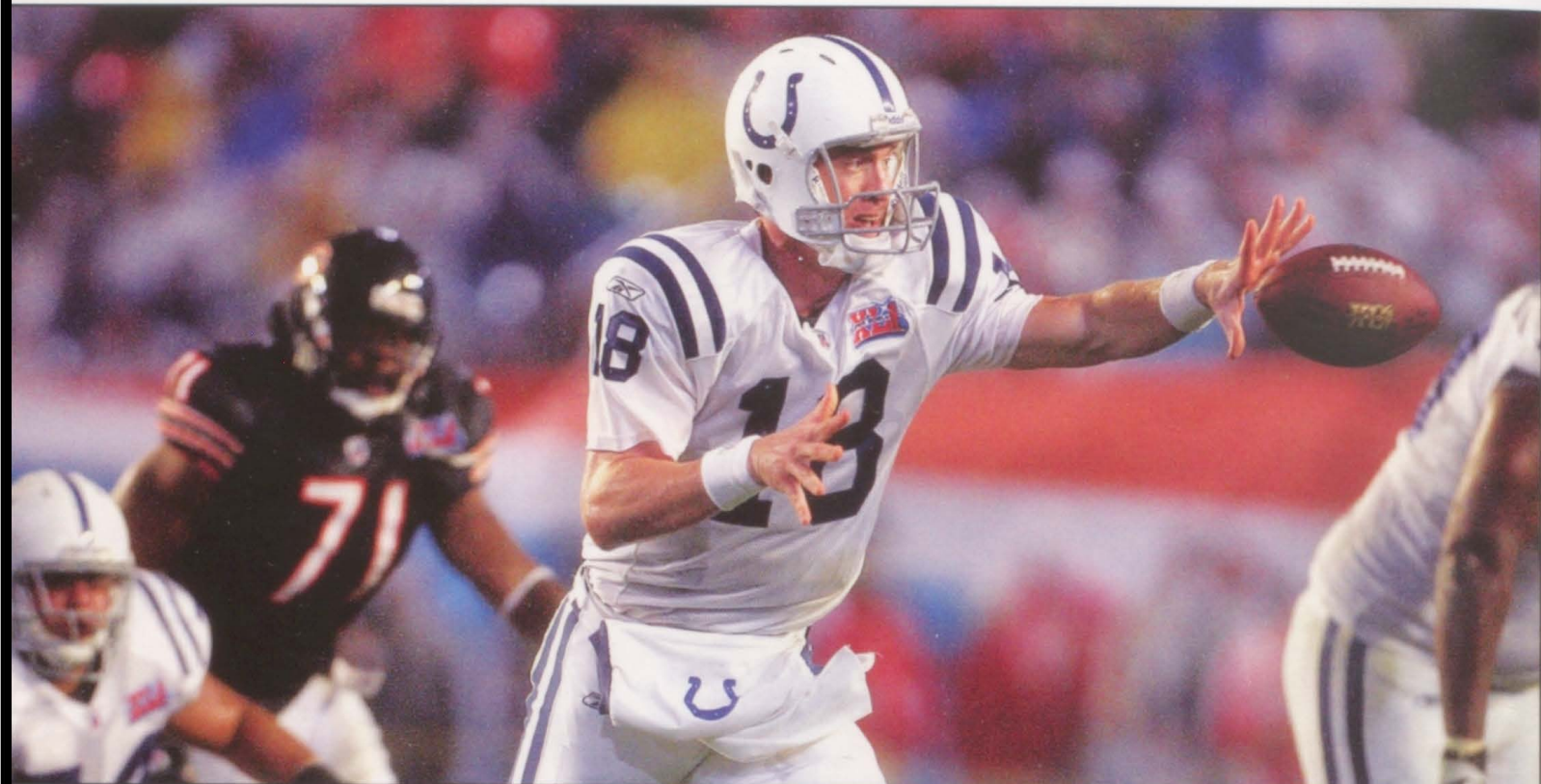
Weddings made news in the world of entertainment. Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes tied the knot in Italy in November 2006. In June, the former Mrs. Cruise, Nicole Kidman, married country star Keith Urban in her native Australia. Avril Lavigne and Sum 41 frontman Deryck Whibley had a summer wedding in California.

Hollywood divorces were in the news too. Britney Spears and Kevin Federline (2 yrs.), Heather Locklear and Richie Sambora (11 yrs.), Whitney Houston and Bobby Brown (14 yrs.), Pamela Anderson and Kid Rock (3 months) and Heather Mills and Paul McCartney (4 yrs.) all called it quits.

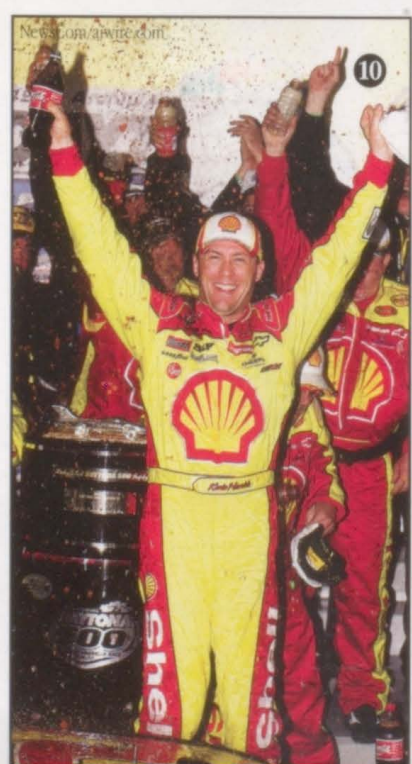
After 35 years as host of "The Price is Right" and 50 years in TV, Bob Barker, 83, will retire in June 2007.



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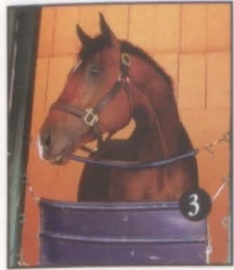
1. Colts quarterback Peyton Manning attempts a left-handed shovel pass in the first-ever rainy Super Bowl. Despite the inclement weather, which made it tough to control the ball, MVP Manning completed 25 of 38 passes for 247 yards and one touchdown in the Colts' 29-17 victory over the Chicago Bears. Super Bowl XLI, played in Miami, was a game of firsts. It was the first Super Bowl featuring a pair of black coaches, the Colts' Tony Dungy became the first black coach to win a Super Bowl and the victory was the first ever NFL championship for the city of Indianapolis.







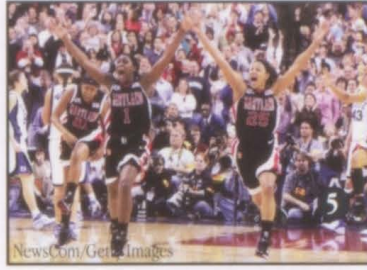
2. The Carolina Hurricanes, dismissed by many hockey fans and experts as the 2005-06 season started, won the Stanley Cup with a seventh game 3-1 victory over the Edmonton Oilers. The Hurricanes came back after losing Games 5 and 6. Rookie goaltender Cam Ward was named winner of the Conn Smythe Trophy as the post-season MVP.



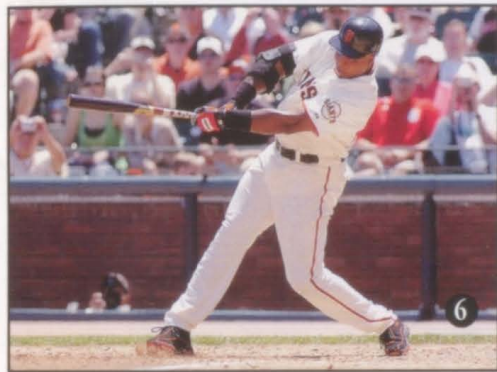
3. Kentucky Derby winner Barbaro was euthanized in January after months of health setbacks. The thoroughbred was injured in the Preakness.



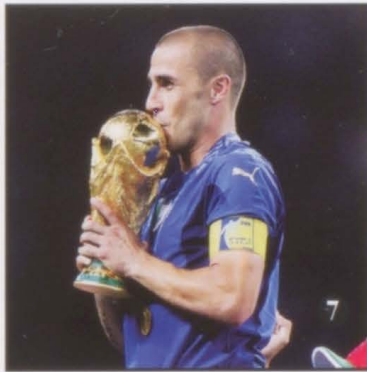
4. Tennis ace Roger Federer became the first man ever to win both Wimbledon and the U.S. Open back-to-back three years in a row.



5. Maryland players celebrate after winning the 2006 NCAA women's basketball championships. The Terrapins beat Duke 78-75 in overtime to win the title. Sophomore Laura Harper, who scored 16 points, was the tournament MVP.

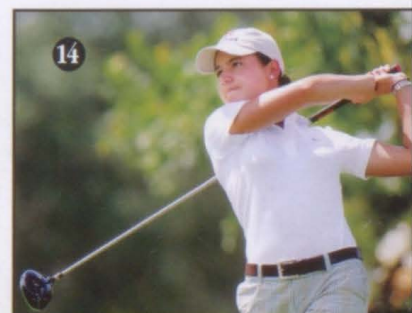
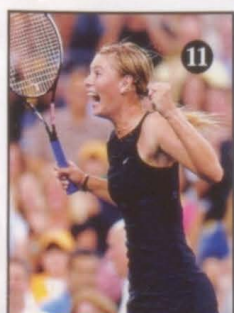


6. San Francisco Giants star Barry Bonds broke Babe Ruth's record of 715 home runs in May. In pursuit of Hank Aaron's record of 755, he ended the 2006 season with 734 homers. 7. Italian team captain Fabio Cannavaro celebrates his team's 5-3 OT win over France in the World Cup Soccer finals.



8. Tiger Woods' winnings surpassed the \$60 million mark and he won seven consecutive tournaments. 9. Joakim Noah and the Florida Gators won the NCAA basketball title and Noah was named the tournament's outstanding player. 10. Kevin Harvick celebrates after winning his first Daytona 500; he finished just .123 seconds ahead of Mark Martin, who led the NASCAR season opener for 26 laps.

11. Third-seed Maria Sharapova won the U.S. Open, defeating No. 2-seed Justine Henin-Hardenne 6-4, 6-4. 12. Norway's Andreas Wiig was the star of Winter X Games 11, winning gold medals in both Best Snowboard Trick and Snowboard Slopestyle. 13. Miami Heat coach Pat Riley and his team overcame a two-game series deficit to beat the Dallas Mavericks in six games of the best of seven series. 14. Lorena Ochoa was named the LPGA's Player of the Year.



When Tiger Woods won his 11th major championship in July 2006 by capturing the British Open, it was his first victory since his father, Earl, succumbed to cancer in May. While speculators wondered whether he'd be able to focus after the death, Woods continued toward Jack Nicklaus' record 18 titles when he captured his 12th a month later with a five-shot victory at the 88th PGA Championships.

The Tour de France victory went to an American rider for the eighth year straight as Californian Floyd Landis rebounded to win his fifth race of the year.

The Saudi first baseman in the Little League World Series attracted lots of attention during the August tournament in South Williamsport, PA. Aaron Durley, 13, stood 6-feet, 8-inches tall, weighed 256 pounds and wore size 19 shoes.

On Sept. 25, 2006, the Louisiana Superdome re-opened for the first time since Hurricane Katrina. The sold-out stadium went wild as U2 and Green Day sang "The Saints Are Coming," and the home-team Saints beat the Atlanta Falcons 23-3.

On Jan. 1, 2007, Texas Tech coach Bobby Knight became the winningest Division I college basketball coach when victory #880 put him ahead of former UNC great Dean Smith.

Retirement changed the landscape of American sports; Cowboys coach Bill Parcells called it quits after two Super Bowl titles and 19 years as an NFL coach, and 77-year-old Arnold Palmer played his last round of professional golf in October. Other retirements of note: Patriots QB Doug Flutie, 15-season Philadelphia Steelers coach Bill Cowher, Houston Astros slugger Jeff Bagwell and long-time Temple basketball coach and Hall of Famer John Chaney.

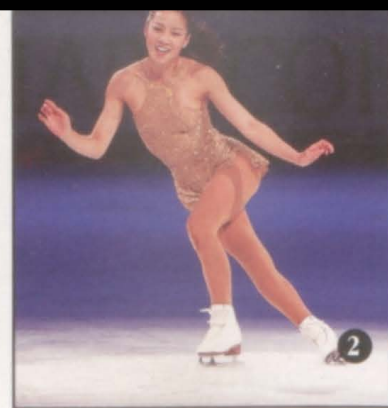
Fans mourned the loss of New York Yankees pitcher Cory Lidle, whose small plane crashed into a NYC apartment building, and Baseball Hall of Famer Kirby Puckett, who died of a stroke at age 45. Longtime coaches Red Auerbach (Boston Celtics) and Bo Schembechler (Michigan football) also died.



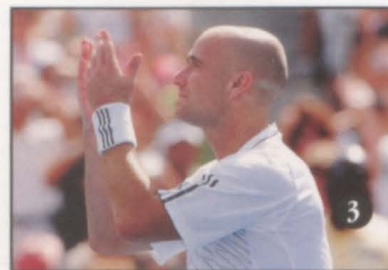


1. World Series MVP David Eckstein and the St. Louis Cardinals topped the AL Champion Detroit Tigers in Game 5 of the 102nd Fall Classic. Eckstein, went 6-for-9 with four RBIs in Games 4 and 5, hit the fourth-inning RBI groundout that brought home the winning run. The title was the Cardinals' tenth – the most of any NL team – but their first since 1982. Tony LaRussa became just the second manager in the history of baseball to win a series title in both leagues.

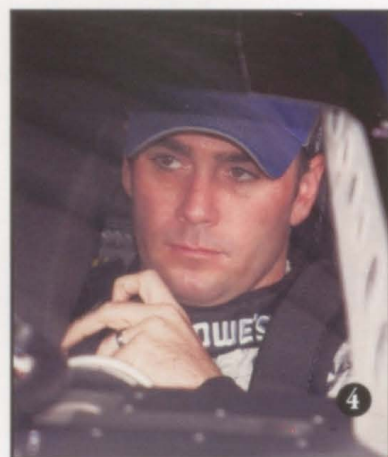
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2. As the new American diplomacy envoy, five-time World Champion Michelle Kwan will travel the world promoting American values.



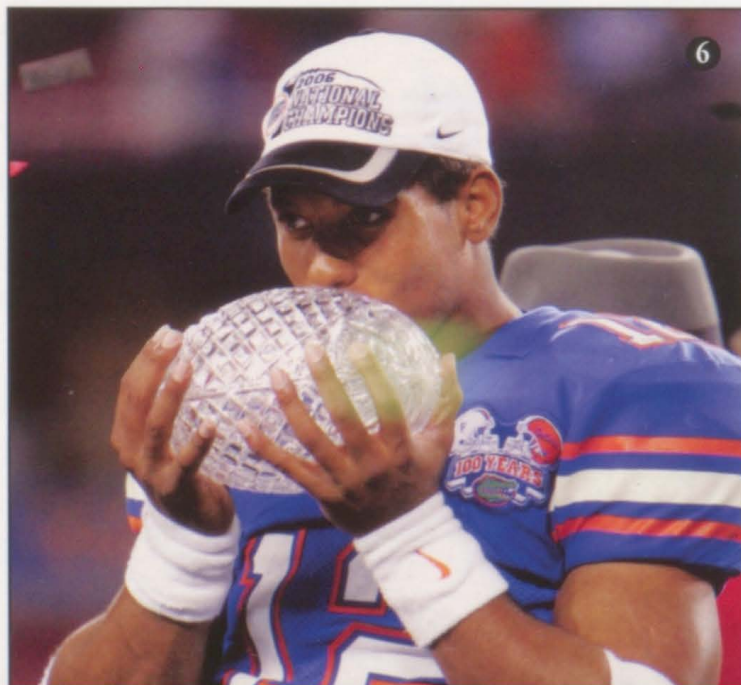
3. Tennis great Andre Agassi retired with an emotional farewell at the U.S. Open after a third-round loss. 4. Daytona 500 and Brickyard winner Jimmie Johnson eventually won the Nextel Cup title and was named Driver of the Year.



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5. The most recognized soccer player in the world went Hollywood. David Beckham signed a deal worth a reported \$250 million in salary and commercial endorsements to play with the Los Angeles Galaxy.

6. Bowl Championship Series MVP Chris Leak quarterbacked the Florida Gators to a 41-14 thumping of Ohio State and the national title. 7. Serena Williams, ranked 81st, won the Australian Open, beating top-seeded Maria Sharapova.



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