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Top: The high school choir performs "Don't Stop Believing" during graduation. **Photo by Whitlea Klaus**

Middle: The banner hangs behind the football bleachers, a symbol of school pride at Troy High. **Photo by Steven Clary**

Bottom: The dancers perform "Love Shack" for the community Homecoming pep rally. **Photo by Mickayla Shelton**
Sports

Sports thrived at Troy High School, as usual. Going back to a 2A classification didn't change much for the Trojans. Troy still competed against familiar teams and schools. Troy was still the smallest school in the league. Troy was still a top-tier contender in almost every sport. Troy was still more than meets the eye.

The football team went to the state playoffs for the eighth-straight season. The cross country team sent two runners to the state meet. The girls' basketball team finished third in the Hiawatha Invitational. Once again Gabe Martinez was the lone Trojan wrestler, competing with Doniphan West's team, but representing Troy at Regionals. The Doniphan County baseball team went to the state tournament for the third consecutive year in its short four-year history. Eight athletes, six girls and two boys, qualified to participate in the State track meet. Of these, four medals were awarded to three Trojan athletes.

Throughout the year, Trojan athletes represented their school on the field, court, or track with good sportsmanship and a constant will to win.
Top: Eli Smith sprints around the corner during finals of the 200-meter dash at the Regional track meet in Seneca. Smith won the race with a time of 22.52 seconds and qualified for the State track meet. Photo by Katie Smith

Middle: Randall Baskins and Jared Meng perform a pregame ritual as the starters are announced while Steven Clary, Ross Libel, and Jesse Masters look on. Photo by Rita Clary

Bottom: The girls' basketball team warms up for their game at the Hiawatha Invitational Tournament. The girls received third place in the tournament after winning their final game against Falls City. Photo by Laurie Simpson
Many changes surrounded the Trojan football team in 2009, including new coaches, new players, and new opponents. Although there were many changes, the Trojans continued to win and be successful. Through the support of the community and mainly each other, the team defeated county rivals Doniphan West and Wathena, competed in the state playoffs, and won many league honors.

The road to these accomplishments wasn't easy. It was filled with scorching August practices, demanding weight-room workouts, and countless yards of conditioning. The Trojan football team took each challenge in stride, transforming them from an obstacle into an opportunity. They used these opportunities to become better athletes, but also to become better people.

After splitting their DVL games, three wins and three losses, the Trojans began district competition. A seven-year state playoff streak was on the line. Troy lost their first-round game against Centralia, but bounced back in the next two rounds, beating Doniphan West and Wathena. The streak was safe for another year, and Troy was en route to compete for a consecutive Bi-District Championship. Troy was defeated the following week by the Valley Falls Dragons.

Despite losing in the first round, the Trojans had accomplished many of their goals. The football team was composed of several outstanding athletes, many of whom were awarded all-league honors. Athletes honored were as follows: first team defense - Garrett Meng - linebacker; second team offense - Jared Meng - center; second team defense - Jesse Masters - safety; honorable mention - Kenneth Tharman - linebacker; honorable mention - Ross Libel - tight end.

Top: Randall Baskins and Jared Meng perform a pre-game ritual as Garrett Meng looks on. Photo by Mickayla Shelton

Middle: Ross Libel, #1, sacks the Pleasant Ridge quarterback. Brent Schultz, #50, and Jared Meng, #56, are also in pursuit. Libel finished the game with three tackles and a forced fumble recovery, but it wasn't enough as the Rams won 33-6. Photo by Mickayla Shelton

Bottom: The Trojan offense gets set against JCN. Troy pounded out 314 yards of offense and racked up five interceptions against the Chargers. The Trojans won 34-12. Photo by Mickayla Shelton
Left: Jesse Masters carries a McLouth defender towards the endzone. Masters finished the game with 42 yards rushing and a touchdown reception as Troy beat the Bulldogs 35-0.

Photo by Mickayla Shelton

Kenneth Tharman - #42 - Senior

6'0" - "We kept the tradition of playing hard and going to the playoffs. I think we did really well with what we had to work with."

SEASON SCORES

Pleasant Ridge 6-33
Horton 34-12
McLouth 35-0
Oskaloosa 0-8
Onaga 12-14
JCN 34-12
Centralia/Wetmore* 0-52
Doniphan West* 35-0
Wathena* 14-11
Valley Falls** 8-40

*Districts  Record: 5-5
**Bi-Districts

The Lady Trojans began the 2009 season where they left off the year before. They returned a strong group of underclassmen and welcomed a potential-filled freshman class. Mandy Kostman also returned to coach the Trojans. The 2009 season was her second year coaching volleyball at Troy.

Due to a new KSHSAA rule, the teams could prepare for the season during the summer. The girls took advantage of this as they held two-a-day practices to get in shape for the season. They continued to work hard as school started and games approached.

Troy had a tough time competing against the larger DVL schools throughout the season, but had more success against schools that mirrored Troy in size. The Lady Trojans failed to advance out of their pool at the sub-state tournament and finished their season with a below .500 record.

Hannah Simpson, the lone volleyball player to earn post-season honors, received an honorable mention nomination.

Top: Whitlea Klaus sets Paige Fenley for the spike against St. Joe Christian. In the first round of the Wathena Invitational tournament, the Lady Trojans were defeated by the Lions, but finished in second place overall. Photo by Dillon Simpson

Bottom: Bailey Morgan passes the ball at the Hiawatha Tournament. Teammates Hannah Simpson, Whitlea Klaus, Mackenzie Clary, and Kia Grable look on. Photo by Laurie Simpson


Player Profile

Bailey Morgan - #12 - Senior

"We got second place at the Wathena tournament and we beat Wathena three times. We weren't very good but we worked hard and had fun, but I'm glad it's over."
CROSS COUNTRY
RACES TOWARDS SUCCESS

The Troy Trojan cross country team began their season with high expectations. After an individual top-ten finish at last year’s state meet, the team was looking to follow the same path to a successful season. Second-year coach Angela Johnson returned to help guide the Trojans down that path.

The Trojans had seven meets to prepare for the regional meet and finally the state meet. Led by a powerful core group of girls, Troy raced through the first five meets of the season. Times began to improve as the league meet approached and individual hopes started to rise. The DVL meet was a successful event for Troy as Hannah Simpson finished second and Hana Speaks followed in fourth.

After the league meet, the Trojans traveled to Washington County where they competed at the regional meet. Simpson finished second while Speaks finished close behind in ninth. The two Trojans placed well enough to qualify for the state meet. The 2A State Championship meet was in Wamego, Kansas. Simpson crossed the line in sixteenth place at the meet; Speaks followed in fortieth place. Simpson and Speaks both earned 1st team All-League honors.

SEASON BESTS

Girls
Hannah Simpson 16:58
Hana Speaks 17:18
Haley Whetstine 20:22
Desiree Weatherford 21:28
Leslie Ostertag 21:34
Hanna King 21:00

Boys
Peter Masters 19:06
Dillon Simpson 21:00
Gabe Martinez 22:02
Levi Dunn 22:02

Photo by Lifetouch
The 2009-2010 cheer team was a major improvement from squads in previous years. The squad jumped from three girls last year, to 12 girls this year. It was a mixture of freshmen, sophomores, and one junior.

The cheerleaders, along with the dance team, participated in an annual “spirit spreader” at the Highland Community College Wellness Center in the fall. While at the spirit spreader, the girls learned numerous cheers and dances that could be used later in the year during athletic events. Many schools from around the area attended the event.

Routines learned at the “spirit spreader” also came in handy when performing at school pep rallies. Throughout the year pep rallies were organized, primarily, by the cheerleaders. These rallies were put on to celebrate Homecoming, Queen of Courts, and other important events. Along with the pep rally responsibilities came the traditional responsibility of cheering at every football and basketball game. The squad cheered through rain, shine, frigid temperatures, and in front of large home game crowds showing experience beyond their years.

Improve. That was the main goal for the 2009-2010 dance team as nine members returned from the previous year. Kristie Klaus also returned to sponsor the team for a third consecutive season.

The dancers started the year by providing entertainment at the annual late-night. Along with the cheerleaders, the dance team helped organize the games and festivities of the event. Besides the occasional pep rally, the dancers performed at every home football and basketball game during halftime.

The team also gave back to the community, holding a Junior Dance Clinic for kindergarten through sixth grade students. Forty-four local girls participated in the clinic. The team taught the junior dancers routines that were later performed during halftime of the Troy/Wathena game.

Without the dance team, halftime wouldn't have been as exciting and pep rallies wouldn't have been as lively. “I thought it was a pretty good season. We tried some new kinds of dances, and I had a lot of fun,” said senior dancer, Leslie Ostertag. The dance team was a prime example of the spirit and class that made up Troy High School.
The Trojan basketball team returned four starters to the 2009-2010 roster, a roster which appeared to be overflowing with potential. Coach Dallas Keller returned as well for his second tour with the team. The Trojans were reigning Regional Champions from the previous season and were looking to extend their post-season success.

The season was an up-and-down year for the Trojans as they alternated wins and losses for a majority of the schedule. A lack of depth could have been blamed for this inconsistency. With a nightly rotation of six to seven players, Troy found it difficult to compete with teams who went nine or ten deep.

Although the team was shallow in terms of players, there was one thing they had in abundance...heart. Many of the Trojan's victories were determined in the final minutes of the game leading to very exciting, mostly exhausting, finishes. These thrilling games didn't always end in a Trojan victory, but they did end in a consistent way: the players fighting and competing until the final buzzer sounded.

Intangible qualities, such as heart and persistence, were two qualities the Trojans contained. Ultimately, these characteristics are ingredients that will lead to a successful team.

Forward Eli Smith was the lone Trojan to receive post-season honors as he was selected to the all-league team. "I was proud of how we got better this season, but I'm looking forward to next year and the strong group of returning starters," said Smith.

- **Top Right:** Eli Smith pulls up for a shot against Jackson Heights. The basket was just two of Smith's team-high, 18 points. He also grabbed 13 rebounds in the game. **Photo by Mickayla Shelton**

- **Middle:** Dylan Norris spots an open Ross Libel against Jackson Heights. Norris ended the game with eight points and five rebounds in a tough loss to the Cobras. The final score was 42-49, in favor of Jackson Heights. **Photo by Mickayla Shelton**

- **Bottom:** Garrett Masters releases a free throw in the Trojan's second round game of the Raider Classic. Troy lost the game to the tournament's host, Nemaha Valley, 28-54.
Left: Garrett Masters and Steven Clary reject a Wathena player. The Trojans went on to beat the Wildcats, 49-36. Photo by Mickayla Shelton

**PLAYER PROFILE**

Ross Libel - #12 - Senior

5'10" - "The best part of the season was beating McLouth on Senior Night and beating Wathena at home."

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**SEASON SCORES**

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*Tournament Game

**Sub-state**

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Returning starters are always a positive aspect in high school sports; returning five senior starters is even better. That’s exactly what happened this year to make up a majority of the Lady Trojan basketball team. Coaches Derek Jasper and Kevin McNorton also returned; Jasper for his thirteenth year and McNorton for his tenth with the team.

The season began with the annual DVL tournament which was hosted by OsKalooSa High School. After defeating Valley Falls to get into the tournament, the Lady Trojans dropped their next two games of the tournament and finished in 6th place.

After the DVL tournament, the team went on a six-game winning streak, slicing through league opponents such as Immaculata, Horton, and Pleasant Ridge. The streak was stopped short though, on Queen of Courts, as the Lady Trojans lost to Jackson Heights. Midway through the season, Troy competed in its second tournament of the year, the Hiawatha Invitational. After beating host Hiawatha in the first round, the Lady Trojans took on Marysville. The 3A Bulldogs outmatched the Lady Trojans early and Marysville went on to win, 29-35. The loss sent Troy into the third round against Falls City for the third/fourth-place game. The game started going downhill early for the Lady Trojans as they tried to cope with the size of the Tigers. Late in the fourth quarter, shots started to fall for Troy, and after a surging comeback in the 4th quarter, the Lady Trojans won, 43-41.

“It felt really good to be in the top three because we usually don’t do well in that tournament. It was my favorite game of the year because of our comeback,” said senior, guard Kia Grable of the Lady Trojans third place victory.

With the win against Falls City, Troy received the tournament’s third-place trophy and headed into the second half of the season very confident.

They started the second half of the season against Valley Falls, a rematch from the first game of the season. Although it was a different game, the outcome was the same as the Lady Trojans rolled, 41-38. Troy followed their win against the Dragons with consecutive wins against Doniphan West and McLouth. The Lady Trojans then took on JCN and KCC in their two, arguably, toughest, games of the season. Playing both JCN and KCC on the road didn’t help the Trojan cause, as they were defeated in each game. The Lady Trojans then rounded out the regular season with a blowout-win against Wathena and a hard-fought loss against OsKalooSa.

Going into the sub-state tournament, Troy was seeded third with a record of 14-6. The team was scheduled to take on the 6-15 Onaga Buffalo. The Lady Trojans dominated the game early, but couldn’t stop a late comeback by Onaga, and finished their season early, 30-32.

Three Lady Trojans received post-season honors. Bailey Morgan and Hannah Simpson were awarded All-League honorable mention. Hana Speaks also received League honors as she was selected to the first-team all-league.

**Top:** The Lady Trojans pause for a group picture after their third-place game against Falls City. The Trojans won the game with a late, fourth-quarter comeback. **Photo by Kristie Klaus**

**Bottom:** Bailey Morgan sets up for a three-point attempt against Hiawatha. Morgan was 2-2 on three-point attempts and finished the game with 16 points, three steals, and two blocked shots. The Lady Trojans went on to win the game, 53-41. **Photo by Laurie Simpson**
Hannah Simpson "D"s up against a JCN opponent. Simpson held JCN's leading scorer to just nine points in the game. Simpson also chipped in one assist, two rebounds, and two points. Photo by Laurie Simpson

Hana Speaks - #4 - Senior

5'5"
"It was a fun four years and I'm going to miss it a lot. We did well this season and it was a great way to end our career."

Season Scores

Valley Falls* 44-35
Wathena 48-16
JCN* 40-44
Jackson Heights* 36-59
Immaculata 57-36
Wetmore 49-38
Immaculata 36-28
Horton 41-36
Elwood 53-23
Pleasant Ridge 43-25
Jackson Heights 31-41
Hawatha* 53-41
Marysville* 29-35
Falls City* 43-41
Valley Falls 41-38
Doniphan West 48-25
McLouth 42-32
JCN 29-49
Kansas City Christian 31-40
Wathena 45-15
Osaloosa 41-44
Onaga** 30-32

* Tournament Game **Sub-state

Record: 14-8

This year’s track team was made up of 28 athletes. Although only the top three participants received medals in each event, points were awarded all the way to sixth place at most meets. This scoring system worked out especially well for the Troy girls' team as they placed fifth at McLouth and Nemaha Valley, fourth at the Panther Relays, second at ACCHS and Doniphan West, and first at the county meet in Wathena.

Two boys and six girls qualified for State in ten events, with Eli Smith (in two events), Leslie Ostertag, and Hana Speaks receiving medals.

The 2010 track season was filled with more than just the usual medals and personal bests; this season was a time for old records to be broken, and new ones to be set.

The first record of the season to be broken was the girl’s long jump record. It was set in 1980 by Sherri Sharp with a jump of 16'1". The new record was set by Leslie Ostertag when she jumped to a distance of 16'7 ¾". The second girl's record to be broken was the 800-meter record set by Hana Speaks in 2009. Speaks bettered her own record by just more than two seconds, setting the new record at 2:28.3. The girls' 4x100-meter relay record was also broken with a time of 53.11 seconds. Eli Smith also broke a school record this season. While running the 100-meter dash at the 2A regional meet at Seneca, Smith broke Garrett Twombly's 4-year-old record of 10.97 seconds with a career best time of 10.9 seconds. Garrett Meng became the fourth person to break a record when he beat the 17-year-old shot put record. The old record, set by Cory Winder in 1993, was 51' 4 ½". Meng's throw of 52' ½" landed him just past the old mark, and along with Ostertag, Speaks, the girls' 4x100 team, and Smith a spot in Troy's record books.
Left: Leslie Ostertag soars through the air during long jump at the regional meet. With a jump of 16' ½", Ostertag received first place and a bid to the state meet. Photo by Katie Smith

Below: Hannah Simpson fires out of the blocks in the 400-meter dash at the regional meet. Simpson finished in fourth place with a time of 1:03.21 which qualified her for the state meet. Photo by Katie Smith

**STATE RESULTS**

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State Meet Held at Wichita State University

**2009 Troy Trojan Track Team:** Front Row: Jacob Clary, Desiree Weatherford, Hannah Simpson, Hana Speaks, Kenneth Tharman
Row 2: Tyler Caruskaddon, Dale Delzeit, Airyan Boyle, Katie Smith, Kelsey Smith, Chris Tharman, Hanna King
Row 3: Haley Whetstone, Paige Fenley, Claire Turpin, Preston Foley, Cody Bennett, Carmen Turpin, Mackenzie Clary, Whitlea Klaus
Row 4: Dillon Simpson, Kaeleb Zeitzwanger, Garrett Fenley, Daniel Cordonnier, Eli Smith, Steven Clary, Levi Dunn, Manager Brantt Loroff

*Not Pictured:* Coach Lyle Rockey, Coach Larry Sandy, Manager Jake Stock
The Doniphan County baseball team completed another successful season as they finished with a record of 19-1. Coaches Matt Peterson and Bryan Adkins both returned for their fourth season with the team.

After losing a core group of senior leaders from the previous season, the team had high expectations to return to the state tournament and play well past the first round.

The baseball team built their strong record while playing against such DVL teams as Oskaloosa, Immaculata, and Pleasant Ridge.

Doniphan County kept their undefeated record all the way through the 3A regional tournament at Wathena and was seeded first in the state tournament. In the first-round game of the tournament, Doniphan County took on Douglas, the only team in the tournament with a losing record, and lost 8-1.

When asked about the season, sophomore Zachary Langford said, “It was a great season, but I wish we could have gone farther for the seniors.”
In its fourth season of existence, the Doniphan County softball team failed to win a game. The team finished with a record of 0-17. Doniphan County played half of their games against DVL schools, with the other half against ACCHS, Atchison, Hiawatha, and Rock Creek.

Head Coach Natalie Dixon and Assistant Coach Abra Rush both returned for their second season with the team.

In terms of upperclassmen to underclassmen, the team was very young. The team was made up of six freshman, three sophomores, and four juniors.

For the first round of Regionals, Doniphan County played Rock Creek. The game against Rock Creek was the last of the season for Doniphan County as they lost, 0-18.

When asked about the season, freshman Tanner Weishaar said, "Although it was a disappointing season, I enjoyed playing with teammates I don't usually get to play with."
Many factors contributed to the transformation of Troy High. For the first time, the FFA organization took an officer retreat. The organization also had a very large crowd at the community banquet. Due to the induction of four new members to Quill and Scroll, Sponsor Martha-Jean Rockey conducted the ceremony for the first time alone since Troy received the charter. Seniors received the opportunity to fly to Florida for their senior trip.
Top: Senior Kenneth Tharman taste tests different types of milk (acidic, onion, fat-free, and whole) for a dairy contest at Rock Creek High School.

Middle: Freshmen Chris Tharman and Eli Whittaker show senior Brittany Clary and other students the effects of tar on the lungs by using broccoli and peanut butter. Photos by Whitlea Klaus

Bottom: Jesse Masters, Randall Baskins, Hannah Simpson, and Kayla Martinez watch and dance to the music at Joe’s Crab Shack in Orlando, Florida. Photo by Daniel Dominguez
"It has been a great experience working with the StuCo members this year. I have enjoyed getting to know students on a different level," said StuCo sponsor Jane't Brown.

Mrs. Terra Ferris became Kayette sponsor. Members voted to participate in Adopt-a-Family at Thanksgiving, a program where the sponsor bought supplies for a full Thanksgiving meal, provided from the Kayette account, and delivered the supplies to a family in need in the Troy community.

The girls also participated in two different gift exchanges, one for Christmas called "Secret Santa" and one for Valentine's Day. Both exchanges allowed the girls to spend 10 dollars or less.

"I enjoyed the Secret Santa because it was fun trying to guess who had your name," freshman Tanna Meng said.

Other activities that occurred around Christmas were decorating the town gazebo, buying gifts for angel tags which gave gifts to children who normally wouldn't receive gifts, and decorating Christmas bulbs to cut out and hang at nursing homes.

Freshmen members also cleaned the trophy cases.
Left: Desiree Weatherford helps serve at the StuCo Thanksgiving Dinner. StuCo also attended a meeting at Blue Valley High School to help plan their activities for the year. These included the StuCo-sponsored Homecoming dance, Queen of Courts dance, and their fundraiser, selling Valentine's suckers.

“My favorite thing about StuCo was setting up for the Thanksgiving dinner and getting to eat all we possibly could afterwards,” sophomore Kelsey Smith said.

**T-Club**

T-Club sponsored the men's alumni tournament, kept track of those who had lettered, and supplied pins and T’s for sports, academics, speech, and music letterers.

“Last year we were a very upperclassman-heavy organization, but this year, however, a lot more freshman were involved and I think that is what will really pay off. If there is one thing I would want us to have accomplished this year it would have to be that we’ve given the younger high schoolers the tools they need to keep this, a very productive drama club, going for their high school careers. Hopefully they will do the same,” said senior Daniel Dominguez.

At state contest May 1, those receiving a I rating and gold medal at state speech were Daniel Dominguez in serious solo acting, Olivia Bennett in informative speech, and Kenneth and Christopher Tharman in improvised duet acting. Olivia Bennett and Erin Clary received a II rating for their duet, Daniel Dominguez, prose, and Ashley Miller and Leslie Ostertag, improvised duet acting, received III.

Olivia Bennett’s informative speech, “Breast Cancer,” received 1st at Horton, 2nd at DVL, 5th at JCN, and 5th at Basehor-Linwood.

Daniel Dominguez competed in serious solo acting with “Soliloquies from The Glass Menagerie” which received 1st at DVL, 2nd at Hiawatha, 4th at Basehor-Linwood and 7th at Royal Valley. Kenneth and Christopher Tharman received 6th at Hiawatha for improvised duet acting.

Olivia Bennett and Erin Clary performed “By the Sea” in duet acting, which received 6th at Royal Valley and 6th at JCN. Daniel Dominguez received 1st at DVL and 6th at Basehor-Linwood for his oral interpretation of prose, “The War Prayer.”

Ashley Miller and Leslie Ostertag competed in improvised duet acting, receiving 4th at Horton.

In all the team competed at six meets and state festival, which again conflicted with state journalism contest.

"I thought speech and drama was cool and fun for me," said sophomore Tiffany Weatherford.

Left: Kia Grable, Steven Clary, and Daniel Dominguez perform in the opening act of the fall play, The Werewolf's Curse. "I really enjoyed acting in the fall play. It was a lot more work than just being backstage, but in the end, it was worth it," said junior Steven Clary. Dominguez played seven different characters, which entailed many costume changes, some from a male to a female role and back again.

Speech

"The SADD Fair was organized well and educational. I think we should have used the old gym instead and had more stands/exhibits," said freshman Austin Weis.

**SADD**


FBLA chapter members elected officers in October. They raised money by having a bake sale at John's Market and attended "Kansas FBLA Day at the Chiefs." FBLA members also competed in the district two conference in Valley Falls where several of them placed. The Members of FBLA also attended the state conference in Topeka where they took several individual tests.

"I am proud of all the hard work that FBLA members have put forth this year to make Troy FBLA a stronger chapter," said Jene't Brown, sponsor.

In the fall SADD had a Red Ribbon Day at the grade school with the kindergarten through 6th graders. They played games and discussed the non-use of tobacco, alcohol and drugs. They also gave away prizes and red ribbons.

In the spring SADD had a fair for all grade levels to participate in. The displays showed about dental hygiene, nutrition, tobacco, drugs and alcohol.

*Above:* Katie Cluck and Samantha Stanton give a presentation on brushing their teeth to kindergarten students. Cluck and Stanton warned the kindergartners of the negative effects that not brushing will cause. *Photo by Dillon Simpson*
It was a good experience for the future kids of Troy High to know the effect and consequences of drug use," said freshman Christopher Tharman.

Above Left: Eli Whittaker, Christopher Tharman, and Austin Weis inform young grade school students about the harmful effects of tar from cigarettes on the lungs. Photo by Dillon Simpson

NHS

Front Row: Katie Cluck, Katie Smith, Haley Whetstine, Mackenzie Clary, Whitlea Klaus, Hana Speaks, Tanner Weisaar, Tanna Meng and Hannah Simpson. Row 2: Daniel Dominguez, Steven Clary, Peter Masters, Reece Simpson, Eli Smith, Kenneth Tharman, Jacob Winkel and Preston Foley. Photo by Rita Clary

FBLA

There were 56 FFA members. The senior officers were Jared Meng, president; Kenneth Tharman, vice president; Alyssa Burchett-Burtis, secretary; Mackenzie Clary, treasurer; Whitlea Klaus, reporter; Kodey Smith, sentinel; and Brittany Clary, historian. Mr. Nick Hamilton was the advisor.

The FFA also had junior officers, which was different from other years. Junior officers filled in if a senior officer were absent. Junior officers were Haley Whestine, president; Garrett Fenley, vice president; Millie King, secretary; Peter Masters, treasurer; Katie Smith, reporter; Gerret Meng, sentinel.

The FFA sold fruit for a fundraiser. They had a contest to see who could sell the most items; the winner would receive 100 dollars. Eli Whittaker was the winner.

For Fire Safety Week the Troy Fire Department went to the grade school. The fire fighters talked about how to use the equipment on the fire truck.

"I had a great time selling fruit, especially after I was the leading seller, and won 100 dollars. I used the money to put gas in my truck," said Eli Whittaker.

Above right: Grade schoolers put on a fireman's uniform and tour a fire truck.
Right: Garrett Fenley gives a speech to a grade school class about fire safety.
"I liked all of the competitions that we competed in this year. It was a great experience for my first year in high school and I hope it will be just as good next year," said freshman FFA member Preston Foley.

Left: Kenneth Tharman helps with Fire Safety Week at the grade school. The Troy Fire Department volunteered their time to show the grade school how to put on the gear, work the buttons, and use the hoses.

Left: The FFA has a meeting about the FFA's end-of-the-year field trip to Worlds of Fun.

Prom was a night of tears and joy for most of the seniors as they danced the night away. The lights, the pictures, and even the people were a thing to remember. The girls looked lovely in their dresses and the boys looked like real gentlemen in their suits. It was the perfect night for prom.

Prom colors were black, silver, and pink. The students entered the doors of prom in awe as they saw the beautiful decorations that had been set up just for them by the juniors. The meal was catered by Rib Crib.

The after-prom was also fun. Students dressed as sumo wrestlers and fought each other playfully to see who would win the wrestling match. It was hard to fight in the wrestling outfit; it was very hot and extremely heavy. The students were very competitive at the Rock Band game station and the poker table, but most of the fun was at the Velcro wall. It was a wall where students ran and jumped onto it. Once they hit the wall they were stuck!

To help their stomachs and to keep their energy going, the juniors had a Subway cater to hand out subway sandwiches. Parents also made snacks and brought drinks. After all, the students left most of their energy on the dance floor at prom at Troy's Community Center.

"I think prom was a lot of work this year but it turned out to be a great prom. I had fun," said junior president Peter Masters, who helped organize prom.
Top left: Steven Clary and Daniel Dominguez battle for bragging rights during sumo wrestling at after-prom while Garrett Masters and Kenneth Tharman help them up. Top right: Kia Grable laughs with friends as Garrett Masters watches other students dancing. Above: Students participate in a group dance to “Cha Cha Slide.” Right: Desiree Weatherford sings along with the music while dancing with her date, Landon Noll. Photos by Whitlea Klaus and Daniel Dominguez
Senior trip and graduation

Seniors traveled to Orlando, Florida for senior trip. They were the first class in several years to travel Florida. Some classmates had never traveled by plane before, making the trip even more exciting. While there, seniors had the opportunity to experience the Islands of Adventure theme park, Joe's Crab Shack, Cocoa Beach, and many other exciting activities while staying at the Disney All-Star Pop Century Resort.

"I loved feeling the sand through my toes at the beach," said senior Desiree Weatherford. "I miss Florida already."

After returning from a memorable trip, seniors prepared for graduation day.

The high school choir sang "Don't Stop Believing" by Journey which they had been practicing since winter. Daniel Dominguez and Brittany Clary had short solos during the song.

For the rose ceremony seniors chose the song "Because You Loved Me" by Celine Dion. At this time, seniors presented parents or loved ones who had affected their lives with a rose and a tearful hug.

Above: In celebration of graduating, Gerald Clary shows his enthusiasm. Photo by Mickayla Shelton

Above: Daniel Dominguez places a pink rose in with the carnations from the other classmates. This was in memory of Jessika Christopher whose died when she was in first grade. The class presented the flowers to Jessika's family during the rose ceremony. The seniors also did a tribute during the senior video for Jessika and Udo Fourie, another former classmate who was killed in an auto accident in New Zealand during his senior year. Photo by Whitlea Klaus
Top left: Daniel Dominguez, Desiree Weatherford, Ashley Miller, and Brittany Clary dance with the crowd during dinner at Joe's Crab Shack.

Top right: Kevin McNorton, senior sponsor, laughs as he dances to the music with his crab legs.

Above left: Bailey Morgan greets Jesse Masters after shopping at Ron Jon's Surf Shop.

Above right: Hana Speaks, co-aledictorian, gives a speech at graduation about her and her classmates' past together and their achievements. Kenneth Tharman, another valedictorian, spoke to the class about the future and what it holds.

Photos by Daniel Dominguez, Hannah Simpson, Mickayla Shelton
Singling, acting, creating: students used fine arts as outlets to express themselves. The drama club produced two plays, a straight play and a musical, the choir and band held a winter and spring concert, and student artists and craftsmen created works of art and entered them in competitions or displayed them in the school.

Seniors held most major positions in student productions but they were happy to set examples and to pass the torch to the juniors and underclassmen.

Fine arts intermingled at Troy High with students from building trades class creating sets for the fall play and spring musical, and arts students using what they learned and applying it to set design. The arts helped bring ideas and dreams to reality for students, faculty, and the community.
Top: Gunnar Huss works on his project for Industrial Arts II. Photo by Kelsey Smith

Middle: Drama club seniors perform a skit at a school assembly commemorating the birth and death days of William Shakespeare. Celebrating Shakespeare's birthday was an annual event. This year they also honored Mark Twain, who did 100 years ago, and then had the "Shakespearean Bachelor," modeled on the popular TV show. Cupcakes were served to those attending. Photo by Steven Clary

Bottom: The high school choir performs "Ill Be There for You" by The Rembrandts during the spring concert. Photo by Mickayla Shelton
"The Werewolf's Curse"

Fall play hexes audience

Student actors transform into scientists, werewolves, and freaks

Horror may aim to scare, but Troy left audiences laughing

"Oh please, Dr. Einstein, won't you help us?"
The reason Harry Pate and Etta Greenleaf had ventured to Rumania to find Dr. Frank Einstein was clear, to cure Harry of the curse of a werewolf cub's bite! The doctor's orders would have brought him to a different end, however.

Harry eventually rid himself of his curse and married his love but not before he and Etta met many interesting people. The butler and his relatives (who all looked very much alike), a weak strongman, a sparsely tattooed lady, a stubbly bearded lady, conjoined twins (by the finger!), a hungry belly dancer, a strictly fruit-eating vampire, a 4,000 year-old mummy, and an out-of-practice sword swallower were all included in the mix.

Student actors at Troy High School certainly had an enjoyable time putting this motley crew of characters together. With the help of director Martha-Jean Rockey, the cast and crew performed "The Werewolf's Curse" twice, once for their peers and again for the general public.

The production gave a large dose of laughs to its audience, due largely in part to some creative ideas added by the actors. Senior Kenneth Tharman and junior Steven Clary even added a chase scene to heighten the excitement of the werewolf's transformation.

All in all, the cast and crew were pleased with the turnout provided by the community. This year's large involvement of seniors (21 in all) were happy to pass the torch on to the underclassmen as the curtain closed on their final fall play performance.

Did you enjoy your first high school play experience?

Hanna King, freshman- "Yes, I loved being a part of it. I had a lot of fun and I can't wait to do it for the next three years!"

What was the most nerve-racking part about the play?

Katie Smith, sophomore- "For me it was definitely making all the props the show needed, like torches, and changing the scenes throughout the show."

What was it like, being a man-made monster?

Garrett Fenley, junior- "I was very interesting! I looked much scarier than I normally do. It psychologically got to me after awhile and made me truly believe I was a monster."

How close was your character to you?

Leslie Oster tag, senior- "I felt that I could personally be a vampire who likes fruit juice because I love fruit juice and I just hate waking up in the mornings too; the sun burns my retinas!"
Left: Kenneth Tharman, Daniel Dominguez, Kia Grable, Steven Clary, and Brittany Clary get into character while in Dr. Frank Einstein's laboratory.

Below: Ashley Miller mixes potions and elixirs as Madam Clara Voyant, a less-than-successful gypsy fortune teller.

Above: Harry Pate, played by Steven Clary, reassures his fiance, Etta Greenleaf, (Kia Grable) that all is well and she need not be afraid.

Above: Steven Clary and Kenneth Tharman rehearse their scene together during an after-school practice.


Photos by Mickayla Shelton
Play cast has a 'ball' producing Cinderella

Drama club creates dinner theatre enchantment and 'Princess Parade'

For the drama club’s second production of the year, the members voted to produce Cinderella. This timeless tale, written as a musical by famed composers Richard Rogers and Oscar Hammerstein II, was a first for the Troy High School stage.

Dancers were enlisted to help with group scenes and to create the ballroom scene. Dances were choreographed by the students and were rehearsed many times by the novice dancers. Some of the male dancers even included middle school students.

Keeping with tradition, the drama club organized a dinner theatre to take place on the last night of the performances. This is the largest and most successful of the drama club’s fundraisers.

For the second performance, Director Martha-Jean Rockey organized and publicized a “Princess Parade.” This encouraged young girls to dress up as princesses and bring their parents. The child got in free with one paying adult and during intermission the young royals were announced to the audience and met the royal family.

Given the familiarity of Cinderella, this was the first time in several years that the kindergarten through third grade were invited to come to the students’ performance on the opening day which is usually performed for the upper elementary, middle school, and high school.

Seniors who were performing for the last time at Troy High presented Mrs. Rockey with flowers and thanks; they will remember their experiences well.
Left: Cinderella interacts with her Prince Charming portrayed by seniors Desiree Weatherford and Daniel Dominguez.

Below: Brittany Clary, playing the Fairy Godmother, laughs at Cinderella for believing in the impossible.

Above: Juniors Whitlea Klaus and Steven Clary dance together at the Prince's ball. Students learned a gavotte and a waltz for the musical.

Left: The cast gathers for the joyous wedding of Cinderella and Prince Christopher.

Photos by Mickayla Shelton
Art classes create competitive students

For Mrs. Elizabeth Barbosa's second and final year as art teacher at Troy High School she had a better understanding of her students and used this to build her relationships with them. Students worked on many different types of projects to enter in area competitions. These included Art for the Health of It, the Albecht-Kemper art contest, Delaware Valley League art contest, and Highland Art Day at Highland Community College.

HCC Art Day, with 35 schools, was the students' stiffest competition. Three students received Honorable Mention, Hana Speaks, drawing of a wedding gown; Samantha Stanton, print making of "We're Not in Kansas Anymore"; and Olivia Bennett, sculpture.

At the DVL art competition Troy placed third as a team; the artists received 20 awards. One new class project was to alter textbooks so that sculpture seemed to come out of the books. Bennett's "Tree of Wisdom," which earned her recognition, was done in this method.

Tell us about your experience in art.

Freshman Paige Fenley- "Well, I'm not very artistic but, Mrs. Barbosa had projects that really used our creativity so I had a lot of fun!"

Sophomore Haley Whetstine- "We did a lot of projects. We painted with watercolors—I liked doing that! We made objects out of text books which I hated because I was horrible at it. Jakob Stock, Brannt Loroff, and I made a duct tape mural. That was really fun but it didn't turn out the best."

What were some of the projects you did in art and how did you like them?

"I thought we did very well as a school at HCC Art Day. It is very competitive and there are a lot of people. I was very proud we were recognized," said Hana Speaks. Left: HCC Art Day Honorable Mentions Samantha Stanton, Olivia Bennett, Hana Speaks, and teacher Mrs. Elizabeth Barbosa. Photo by Mickayla Shelton
Left: Art teacher Mrs. Elizabeth Barbosa helps Olivia Robinson on an altered book art project. Robinson's project showed a horse made of paper mache coming to life through the book.

Below: Freshman Reece Simpson gets his creative juices flowing in his art class.
Photos by Daniel Domínguez

Above: Junior Samantha Stanton works on the Homecoming field, which she designed; it was painted by the art classes. Photo by Mickayla Shelton

Left: Jeffrey Weatherford works diligently during his Art I class. Photo by Daniel Domínguez
Band and...

Director Leah Meek's classes are music to our ears

The Troy High/Middle School bands were combined once again due to the very small number of high schoolers interested in band. The new seven-period day, where band director Leah Meek spent the first three hours at the high school and the last four at the grade school, would have made it hard to squeeze in separate band classes anyway.

The high school students who did participate in band were freshmen Christopher Tharrnan, Jacob Winkel, Kayla Boyle, Daniel Cordonnier, Zachary Craine, Thomas Hegarty, and Chasity Wetmore; sophomore Ashley Burton; and seniors Kayla Martinez, Brad Laflin, and Leslie Ostertag. Kayla Martinez was afforded a unique look at the high school band and how it has changed over the past several years. She moved to Hawaii her freshman year at Troy High and returned second semester this year. She was the only high school F horn player.

"The marching band is new and now there aren't as many upper classmen in the class," she said.

Due to these changes, some high school students were not pleased with their band experience or opted to drop the class to participate in the early-release program.

With the help of the middle schoolers, however, the band performed at two concerts, the Homecoming parade, the Meals on Wheels parade (which was rained out), and regional contest. The band received a III rating. Senior Leslie Ostertag, trombone player, also received recognition from the Lion's Club by being awarded the John Philip Sousa Award for her excellence in instrumental music.

Right: The mixed high school and middle school band perform "Aston Overture" for the Spring Concert. Bottom Right: Soloists Micah Bembrick, Daniel Dominguez, Dillon Simpson, and Brittany Clary entertain audiences at the Winter Concert. Photos by Mickayla Shelton

What was your favorite song you sang in choir?
Sophomore Dylan Norris- "I liked singing the senior's graduation song "Don't Stop Believin" by Journey the best."

What was hardest about choir this year?
Senior Brittany Clary- "Our voices weren't warmed up from talking since it was in the morning and we just had to warm up that much more."
Choir

For first hour each day, high schoolers made their way to the music room for the mixed chorus class.

The students chose songs to sing for the Winter and Spring Concerts, graduation, and fun songs to sing during class. Choir Director Leah Meek also played a unique music game with her class. She would play popular songs submitted by the students and the choir would guess what song it was. The first correct answer earned the student a piece of candy.

The students continued to have fun by using props, such as sunglasses in the Winter Concert song "Run, Run, Rudolph," to help them feel the song's mood.

At Awards Night, Mrs. Meek awarded two students, a boy and a girl, for outstanding performance. Daniel Dominguez and Brittany Clary received the Director's Award. Clary also received the Lion's Club's award for participation and improvement, the Arion Award. Sophomore Nroh Wykert was also awarded Most Improved by Mrs. Meek.

Top: Seniors Micah Bembrick and Brittany Clary present Director Leah Meek with flowers, gifts, a balloon, and thanks at Mrs. Meek's last concert.
Above: Freshman Christopher Tharman plays the bass drum at the Winter Concert Photos by Whitlea Klaus and Mickayla Shelton
New students and new teachers were thrown into the mix of ever-changing Troy High School. Mr. Derek Jasper, Mr. Jeremy Prudden, Mrs. Leah Meek and Mrs. Cheryl Johnson joined the faculty. As two teachers, Jasper and Meek, began teaching music and p.e. for K-12, this took away some electives that could no longer be offered.

New students were Brad Laflin, Tori King, April Porter and Dale Delzeit, and Kayla Martinez, who returned after going to school in Hawaii. With Troy High’s population growing, the school went from class 1A back to 2A. This affected a variety of athletics and competing teams that would attend a new regionals due to the class change.
Top: Cooks Suzie Ford and Shirley Buessing converse about the day’s menu. Photo by Mickayla Shelton
Middle: Karson Zeltwanger, Gunnar Huss, Zackary Langford, and Reece Simpson attempt to express themselves during art. Photo by Mickayla Shelton
Bottom: Mr. Jeremy Prudden colorfully answers a student’s question about the daily quote. "If a clock were hungry would it go back four seconds?" was one of the daily sayings he used to get the students thinking. Photo by Katie Smith
School changes affect teachers too

"We are a school where students and staff excel; parents and community care."

-District Mission Statement

As Troy High moved toward the future, teachers switched gears and adapted to a new seven-period schedule with only 55-minute periods. Music and P.E. classes were taught by Mrs. Leah Meek and Mr. Derek Jasper who changed from teaching K-6 to K-12. They spent three hours at the high school teaching and the four remaining hours at the grade school. This cut down the number of electives that high school students were able to take with Meek or Jasper, making some students unable to take music or P.E. due to their schedule.

"Classes went by fast, but we still got tons of work done," Mr. Derek Jasper said.

The year ended with five staff members departing. Mr. George Cheramy, counselor, and Mrs. Bonnie Mitchell, custodian, retired; Mr. Matthew Stevenson, math and Spanish, and Mrs. Elizabeth Barbosa, art, were offered jobs elsewhere; and Mrs. Leah Meek, music, decided on another course of action.

"It was a new experience for me. My goal was to provide the information needed for students to have a successful future. I hope students continue to be successful here and I have many memories that I will take with me from Troy," Cheramy said.
Above left: School Bus drivers: Bea Koehler, Rick Simmons, Kevin McNorton, Donald Harter, and Richard Grable. Photo by Unknown

Above: Bonnie Mitchell celebrates at her retirement party with friends and family in the high school cafeteria. Photo by Katie Smith


George Cheramy
Trina Earl
Celeste Etherton
Terra Ferris
Nick Hamilton

Michelle Newkirk
Jared Pickerell
Jeneanne Pontius
Jeremy Prudden
Susan Reynolds

Gene Velharticky
Mary Wareham
Mary Winder
Freshmen enjoy the great taste of high school

“Life brings tears, smiles, and memories. The tears dry, the smiles fade, but the memories last forever.”

- Class Moot

High school: a scary start for new freshmen to take in, new classes, new teachers, and new experiences.

“I was scared, really scared. I was afraid that the seniors would pick on me,” freshman Kayla Boyle said.

It is scary for new freshmen. Rumors go around that high school is a rough place to be. The fact is, it's not that bad.

“I was glad that high school wasn't as bad as most people said it was. People didn't pick on me,” freshman Tori King said.

Varsity and junior varsity sports were a big thing for the students. Three girls made varsity for volleyball: Kelli Marriott, Tanner Weishaar and Paige Fenley. Fenley also played varsity for basketball.

“Being on varsity was fun. I believe it will help me in the long run,” Fenley said.

“The best part was running through the halls with Hanna King.”

The freshman sponsor, Mr. Nick Hamilton, helped with the freshmen float which took first place in the float contest during spirit week for the Homecoming parade.

“Being a sponsor for the freshmen was a very dramatic experience,” said Hamilton.

“It was fun, but I don't want to be a sponsor again.”

Being a freshman is tough, but these freshmen handled it fairly well. Next year will be a little more challenging, with harder classes and new teachers, but if all follow through like it's supposed to, it will be as easy as pie for these hardworking freshmen.
Left: Freshmen sit on their first-prize float from the Homecoming float contest. Photo by Whitlea Klaus.

Bottom: Kellie Marriott, president; Claire Turpin, vice-president; and Samuel "Sammy" Whetstine, secretary/treasurer.
Photo by McKayla Shelton

Amanda Clary
Daniel Cordonnier
Zachary Crane
Paige Fenley
Preston Foley

Tanna Meng
Jackie Mott
Olivia Robinson
Reece Simpson
Christopher Tharman

Chasity Wetmore
Samuel "Sammy" Whetstine
Eli Whittaker
Jacob Winkel
Karson Zeltwanger
The theme for Homecoming was Disney. Monday's theme was "Under the Sea." Not many participated in this theme, but many participated in the prince and princess and the Disney character theme days.

Everyone worked really hard on their floats, but the freshmen were the winners of the class floats. Their theme was "Finding Nemo." Second place went to the juniors, third to the seniors, and last to sophomores.

The field painting was designed by Samantha Stanton. The design had "Troy Homecoming" in white and "2009" in blue. Many participated in painting the field.

The football game against the Oskaloosa Bears was delayed in the first quarter for about an hour until officials decided to reschedule the game due to lightning. The following Saturday Troy lost to the Bears 8-0.

After the game delay, it was decided to proceed with the dance. The theme of the dance was "When You Wish Upon A Star." Jeremy Prudden was the highlight of the dance. Everyone formed a big circle around him to watch him break dance and others joined in as well.

Above: The escorts were Avery Euler, Quinn Franken, Brayden Hamilton, and Griffin Weber. The Homecoming court was Kia Grable, Daniel Dominguez, Hannah Simpson, Jesse Masters, King Jared Meng, Queen Leslie Ostertag, Desiree Weatherford, and Ross Libel. Photo by Katie Smith

Top: King Jared Meng and Queen Leslie Ostertag Above: Ross Libel is being wrapped in ribbon for the candidate game during the Homecoming pep rally. Photos by Mickayla Shelton
Top: The dance team performs a Michael Jackson mix.
Above: Kia Grable, Daniel Dominguez, Leslie Ostertag, Ross Libel, Hannah Simpson, Jesse Masters, Desiree' Weatherford, and Jared Meng participate in the candidate game where they dressed the boys up as queens during the pep rally. Photo by Mickayla Shelton
Sophomores show enthusiasm for activities

"Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened."
- Class Motto

Relieved of the freshman torture, sophomores began high school fresh and ready to go. The first big activity for the sophomores was creating the float for the Homecoming parade. Working harder than ever, sophomores tried to do their very best in putting the float together. As excited as they were for their hope of winning first, they placed last.

"I was furious when we didn't receive first," said Olivia Bennett. "I didn't know the float had to be set up at 8 a.m. so when we did set up, it was too late. They had already judged. All of our hard work was for nothing."

Olivia Bennett wasn't the only one disappointed. Mr. Jeremy Prudden, the sophomore sponsor showed disappointment as well. The sophomores look forward to next year.

Some classes are new for the sophomores. Required classes were algebra, geometry or Algebra II with Mr. Matthew Stevenson or Mrs. Michelle Newkirk, biology with Mr. Kevin McNorton and English II with Mr. Jeremy Prudden and Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey.

"I liked English with Mr. Prudden because it was a lot of fun and you had to think outside of the box," Ashley Burton said.

The concession stand was a simple fundraiser for the sophomores. High school for sophomores can be a little different but in time it is worth it.
Left: The sophomores pose for a picture on their “Alice in Wonderland” float while they wait for the Homecoming parade to start. Photo by Whitlea Klaus

Below: Olivia Bennett president; Katie Smith vice-president; and Haley Whetstine secretary/treasurer. Photo by McKayla Shelton

Andrew “Tyler” Carskaddon
Erin Clary
Braun “Gunnar” Huss
Molly Jamvold
Bryanna Keller

Shane Miller
Dylan Norris
Joshua Peden
Mckayla Shelton
Dillon Simpson

Courtney VanWey
Jessica Weatherford
Tiffany Weatherford
Haley Whetstine
Nroh Wykert
Students participated in Spirit week, which was "Through Time." Spirit week participants dressed up in 1950s, 60s, 80s, and 90s outfits. Friday was blue-and-white day. A pep rally was held Friday where students participated in cheers, games, and watching the dance team perform.

The candidates wore crowns to the pep rally. They also played a candidate game where they played basketball.

Their partners blindfolded them, spun them ten times, and then placed them on the free-throw line to shoot a basket. Desiree Weatherford and Jesse Masters won the contest, receiving a medal and other small gifts.

The Trojans played Jackson Heights Friday, but only the JV girls won.

The dance theme was "Through Time." The old gym was decorated with flowers and bright colors with a disco ball.

Above: Girls that dressed up for 80's day attempt their best 80's moves. Front Row: Kia Grable, Haley Whetstine, Olivia Bennett, and Hannah Simpson. Row Two: Olivia Robinson, Leslie Ostertag, Whitlea Klaus, Mackenzie Clary, and Hana Speaks. Photo by Bailey Morgan
What was your favorite part of Queen of Courts?

“I liked having the opportunity to participate in the basketball games.”
-- Preston Foley, freshman

“When they announced the winners. It was really exciting!”
-- Erin Clary, sophomore

“I liked dressing up for the crowning and decorating for the dance.”
-- Kia Grable, senior

Top: Jessica Weatherford and Hanna King dance to “Love Shack” at the Queen of Courts pep rally.
Above: The 2010 Queen of Courts candidates were Randall Baskins, Kia Grable, Ross Libel, Kayla Martinez, Daniel Dominguez, Hannah Simpson, Jesse Masters, and Desree Weatherford. Ross Libel and Kayla Martinez were crowned King and Queen. Escorts were Camden Anderson, Quentin Schultz, Claire Winder, and Lily Finkey. Photos by Mickayla Shelton
Juniors gain experience over time

The juniors were no longer considered the under-dogs of the high school as they moved up to be the upperclassmen over the incoming freshmen and sophomores. Juniors had more freedom as they chose what classes they wished to have on their schedule except for English III with Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey or Mr. Jeremy Prudden and American history with Mr. Lyle Rockey.

"I liked having the ability to choose what classes I took because I was able to have an interest in what I was learning, making me work harder and pay more attention," Mackenzie Clary said.

During Homecoming week, juniors tried to be creative as they decorated the float for the parade. They chose Snow White as their movie and decorated the float for "Snow White and the Seven Dorks." Juniors' creativity fell short as they received second to the freshmen for their float.

The juniors' main fundraiser was working the concession stand for every middle school home game, to raise money for prom. A biscuit-and-gravy dinner fundraiser, worked by junior parents, was also held during the Queen of Courts game to raise money for the after-prom.

"It was frustrating because a lot of us worked while others didn't work and still received the benefits," Garrett Fenley said.

Another fundraiser was a co-ed volleyball tournament held at the high school. Juniors and their parents worked at the concession stand and scorer's table, and refereed to help raise money for after-prom activities.

This was also the last year for MAP tests and state assessments for these students.
Top Left: Junior officers were Peter Masters, president; Whitlea Klaus, vice president; and Mackenzie Clary, secretary/treasurer. Photo by Mickayla Shelton

Above: The Seven Dorks dressed up in red shirts for the parade, representing the Oskaloosa Bears, whom the Trojans played later that night. Photo by Whitlea Klaus

Left: The juniors worked two different nights during the week finishing their float at Peter Masters' grandparents' home. Spending about two hours each night, they used decorations and paint from previous events to save money for prom. Photo by Whitlea Klaus

Dale Delzeit
Levi Dunn
Garrett Fenley
John "J.D" Gaither
Whitlea Klaus

Nicholas Ploeger
April Porter
Brent Schultz
Eli Smith
Logan "Kody" Smith

Far Left: Garrett Fenley answers the telephone for secretary Terra Ferris during his office aide hour. This was the first time Fenley and his classmates were allowed to be an aide for teachers or the office. Photo by Whitlea Klaus

Left: Alyssa Burchett-Barcis jumps off the slide during FFA officer retreat. Photo by Kristie Klaus
Seniors complete high school

For their final year, the class of 2010 worked together on many projects.

They did several fundraisers to raise money for their senior trip. Students worked on their class float for the Homecoming parade for the final time. Instead of stressing over winning first place (as they had done for the past three years), the class focused on spending time together. Senior athletes participated in a food drive called Hoops for the Hungry.

For the first time, the school implemented an early release program to be tried with the seniors. To be eligible for early release second semester, students were in good academic standing and had good attendance. Seniors arrived one or two periods late or left early from school. This gave them the opportunity to sleep in or work at after-school jobs. Not all seniors participated in the release program though. Many seniors took college courses through Highland Community College, and, with the help of Counselor George Cheramy, almost all applied for local scholarships to help counter the rising cost of college tuition. All but 2 seniors would be going on to college, 19 would be attending Highland Community College, while 6 would attend four-year universities or technical schools.

"Do not go where the path may lead. Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail." Ralph Waldo Emerson

Left: The group of seniors that traveled to Orlando, Florida, pose for a picture on Cocoa Beach. Students spent the day there and soaked up the sun. Photo by Elizabeth Barbosa

Above: Senior class officers Brittany Clary, vice president; Daniel Dominguez, president; Hannah Simpson, secretary/treasurer. Officers organized class fundraisers, work schedules, and helped plan the senior trip to Orlando, Florida. Mr. Kevin McNorton was sponsor. Photo by Dillon Simpson

- Class Motto
Heather Adkins

Proud of you! Babies from the courthouse ARE better.

All my heart.

All my days.

Mom

Heather Adkins

Heather, I am so proud of you! Babies from the courthouse ARE better!

All my heart,

All my days,

Mom
Looking back over the years... Where have they gone? I don't know what our lives would have been like without you. There is never a dull moment with you. You have brought so many tears of joy to our life. We are very proud of the way you have grown into a very respectful beautiful young adult. Keep reaching for the stars to achieve all of your dreams!

Love,
Dad, Mom, and Katie

Emily Cluck

Words cannot express to you the joy you have brought to me the past 17 years. You have been the strength and backbone of our family. Wyatt and Jack couldn't ask for a better big brother to look up to. I wish you all the happiness in the world! Just always remember where you came from. God bless you!

I love you with all my heart,
Mom & kids

Ross Libel

Daniel Dominguez

"Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves."  James Barrie

Thank you, Dano, for all the sunshine you have brought to our lives. You have done it just by being yourself. Hold onto that and keep God in your heart. We love you.

Mom & Dad

Ross Libel

To Kia, our little "Hoodie,"
Wow, where has the time gone?
It seems only yesterday, you were a princess and wearing your squeaky shoes. You are a very special daughter, and we love you very much! Always keep your faith and your very kind heart. We will miss you dearly!

Love, Dad, Mom, and Jenna

Kia Grable

We are all so proud of you! Remember that your education still continues; you never stop learning. Don't lose sight of your goals: you can reach them with hard work. Always believe in yourself, what you think and feel. Believe that your dreams can some day become real. Believe in the goals that you strive to pursue. Believe that God makes all things possible. Keep the faith!

We love you, Mom, Dad, and Clyde III

Kayla Hixson

Jared Meng

When people give you feedback, cherish it! Don't complain; just work harder! Always tell the truth; be earnest; apologize; focus on others, not yourself. You have a heart of gold; never lose that.

We love you,
Mom and Dad

Jared

Ross,
We are all so very proud of you and everything that you have accomplished, but most of all we are proud of the person you have become. You are caring, loving, kind hearted, and thoughtful of everyone around you! You have truly blessed us all, and we wish you the best in all that you do!

We love you very much and may God bless you!
Dad, Jessie, Jordan, Isabella & Jack

Jesse Masters

Jared

Where has the time gone? It seems like only yesterday you would ask "Where are me?" as you rode in your car seat. You've grown into a responsible and hard-working young man, who knows who he is, where he's at, and where he's heading. We love you very much and are so proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Andrew & Jake

Kayla Hixson

Jared Meng
Ashley,
Congratulations on this big milestone in your life. Our hope and prayer for you is that you continue to strive for the best. We have enjoyed watching you mature into a fine young lady and are looking forward to what the future holds for you.
Lots of love,
Mom, Dad, Courtney, Shane, Grandma Gail, and Grandpa Hobert

Colby,
We are so proud of you. You are a very special person and we know you will go far in whatever you choose to do in life. We will always be here for you!! We love you!!
Mom, Dad, Cody, Chelsea, Nana & Poppa

Bailey,
You are a constant joy to us. We are very proud of you and the person you have become. Remember, all things are possible. You will always have our love and support. Let your heart and the Lord be your guide.
Dad, Mom, Courtney, Whitney

Leslie,
It's hard to believe 18 years have gone by and you are graduating. You have brought so much joy and happiness into all our lives and so many wonderful memories. With your personality and determination you can accomplish anything. We are all very proud of you. Love always,
Dad, Mom, Russell, Uncle, Brandi and Anna

Aaron,
We are so proud of the talented young man you have become. Remember to follow your heart and dreams and you will always succeed.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Trae, Tanner, Derek & Hailee

Hannah,
You have brought so much joy to our lives. We can't wait to see what your future holds. We are so proud of the person you have become. Stay close to God, be yourself, and you will go far in life. We love you!
Mom, Dad, Reece

Hana,
We are so proud of you and your many outstanding accomplishments. We are confident that, with your determination, you will meet and exceed your goals. We want you to know that we will always be there for our little princess. With all our love,
Dad, Mom, Lisa, Brett & Tiffany

Desiree,
Our special little brown-eyed girl has grown from a climbing monkey in piggy tails with a bag of pretend caterpillars, to a beautiful young lady, who makes us so proud of her many talents: dancing, singing, acting and basketball, to name a few. You've grown up so very fast. Just remember you are loved more each day.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Tiffany, Jessica, Jeffrey, Selina, Ashley & Jessie
As Troy High transforms, many new things have changed this school. Block scheduling soared out of our sight, and a seven-period day became the new reality. Along with more homework and seven classes every day, 25 minutes were also added to the school day to create an entirely new environment.

Attendance was taken more seriously than ever to ensure students were attending school and in a learning environment as much as possible.

Interactive Distance Learning Physics lasted for one semester. Then all of the students dropped the class at second semester. Seniors were given the privilege to take early release if they had good enough attendance and had taken all of the classes they needed.

For making the standard of excellence on the state assessments in reading and mathematics, students were recognized. In between games during basketball season, seniors and freshmen were awarded t-shirts for their previous year's test scores.
Top: Whitlea Klaus makes a poster illustrating the atomic theory for chemistry. Photo by Steven Clary

Middle: Preston Foley helps Dylan Norris with an assignment in world history. Photo by Dillon Simpson

Bottom: Mr. Stevenson assists Cole Hansen with an Algebra I problem. Photo by Dillon Simpson
What did you like about your biology class?
"I liked the section on general child development," said sophomore Kelsey Smith.

What was your favorite part of biology?
"My favorite part of biology is when we watched the movie 'What about God' and how it told what other people thought and believed," said sophomore Mickayla Shelton.

Mr. Kevin Mcnorton taught chemistry, general science, earth and space, and biology.
"Classes went pretty well overall. I just wish young people would realize how important it is to know about many of the topics we cover," Mr. McNorton said.

In general science the freshmen did experiments with weights and the light spectrum and other sorts of experiments with different objects.

In biology the sophomores learned more about organisms and how living creatures are all alike and how they are different in adaptations.

The juniors in chemistry balanced equations for different types of elements in the periodic table.

Mr. McNorton began teaching in 1979, but did not teach for a two year period from 1992-1994, but has been teaching ever since. He has been in a classroom for twenty-nine years.

Mr. McNorton said he learns new things in science all the time. "I have learned some new techniques and have gained some new insight. I have also learned some new information about science. That's what I like about science, it is always discovering new things."

Right: Reece Simpson works on a project in the science lab.

Far Right: Nick O'Donnell, Jordan Thornberry, and Ashley Burton measure beans for biology class.

Photos by Whitlea Klaus
Left: Mr. McNorton talks to his earth and space science class. Photo by Daniel Dominguez

Below Left to Right: Josh Peden measures a bean in science class. Dale Delzeit works in the lab. Brent Schultz and Levi Dunn work in their books. Amanda Clary and Jesse Adkins read from their science books. Airyan Boyle does a project in the lab. The biology class listens to Mr. McNorton. Hanna King gives a speech in science. Peter Masters, Steven Clary, and Eli Smith study in the science lab. Photos by Whitlea Klaus

Left: Whitlea Klaus works on a poster in the science lab. Photo by Steven Clary

Far Left: Nicholas Ploeger, Joseph Pasch, and Jacob Pasch work in their books. Photo by Daniel Dominguez
Why did you enjoy math fundamentals?

"It really helped me in Algebra II and I finally learned the basics of Algebra I," junior Alyssa Burchett-Burtis said.

Why did you enjoy weights?

"It improved my basketball skills," senior Jared Meng said.

Mr. Matthew Stevenson taught Algebra I and geometry. Students worked out of the book most of the time, occasionally receiving different work packets to review chapters or class activities.

Mrs. Michelle Newkirk taught pre-algebra, Algebra II, math fundamentals, college algebra, calculus, and business math.

Math fundamentals worked on an Acellus computer program, working on Algebra I assignments. Once students finished the program, they prepared for Kansas assessments and then worked on geometry packets, using a compass and straight-edge. The small calculus class of four also worked on an Acellus computer program.

Coach Derek Jasper worked part-time at the high school where he taught freshman p.e., weight lifting, and a middle school p.e. class. Freshman p.e. took a course of health to educate them on drugs and other subjects that hurt or affect the human body. After the health course, boys and girls split, each going into the weight room for a portion of the class-time.

Mostly seniors took weight lifting since only one class time was offered. In the weight room students did a different workout each day, including bench, squat, hang clean and auxiliary workouts. When they weren’t in the weight room, students played basketball or volleyball, and caught up on homework.
Left: Junior Eli Smith does lat pulls to strengthen triceps and upper shoulders. Photo by Steven Clary

From left to right:
Freshman Paige Fenley does a light hang clean workout to stretch. Freshman Austin Weis and sophomore Brantt Loroff work on a review packet. Senior Jared Meng does a rep of good mornings. Freshman Reece Simpson works on a pop quiz in Algebra I. Freshman Hanna King does sit-ups to strengthen her abs. Junior Kodie Wetmore begins her geometry packet. Photos by Kelsey Smith, Mickayla Shelton, Steven Clary, Mickayla Shelton, Kelsey Smith, Whitlea Klaus, Steven Clary, Katie Smith

Far left: Junior Jacob Pasch works on the Acellus program during math fundamentals. Photo by Whitlea Klaus

Left: Junior Steven Clary begins his workout with squat reps. Photo by Eli Smith
What was your favorite game in Spanish?

"I always loved playing Spanish Scrabble," said sophomore Nroh Wykert.

What did you do your research paper on and why?

"I chose the history of basketball so I could learn and tell others about every aspect of the sport," said junior Levi Dunn.

Mr. Jeremy Prudden filled Mrs. Israel's position teaching classes such as freshman English, creative writing, Edgar Allan Poe, grammar and spelling review, advanced composition, research paper, vocabulary, science fiction, and fundamentals of English.

"I liked our science fiction class because it's interesting to read different stories," junior J.D. Gaither said.

Although freshmen aren't allowed to take classes with Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey, sophomores were. Sophomore students had the option of taking speech, mythology, and news writing. Juniors and seniors had the option of taking early and modern American literature and early British literature. During third quarter seniors took genre analysis with Mrs. Rockey and juniors took a research paper class with Mr. Prudden.

"British literature was interesting because it helped prepare me for college classes and taught me things I have never learned before," junior Jacob Pasch said.

Mr. Matthew Stevenson taught Spanish I and II. In between bookwork, Mr. Stevenson allowed numerous games and activities to be played to help students learn. One game was Matamoscas (the flyswatter game). Students were split into two teams and given a flyswatter. After a quiz question was asked the students competed to see who could slap the correct answer on the board first. Other games were Who Wants to be a Millionaire, Quiddler and Scrabble, and different projects included creating crosswords, practicing grammar, and studying culture.
Left: Millie King starts the game rotation while Haley Whetstone ponders over which words she can create with the cards she was given. Photo by Katie Smith

Below from Left to Right: Airyan Boyle and Daniel Cordonnier study for the Spanish I final. Millie King plays Quiddler while Shane Miller watches. Micah Bembrick works on a spelling worksheet. Olivia Bennett looks up a word while playing Quiddler. Amanda Clary and Tanna Meng study with Mr. Prudden for a spelling test. Zach Langford shuffles cards for a new game. Nroh Wykert studies with Austin Weis for Spanish I. Paige Fenley and Hanna King try to stay focused on homework. Photos by Whitlea Klaus, Katie Smith, and Kelsey Smith

Far left: Sophomores Shane Miller, Zack Langford, and Olivia Bennett enjoy a game of Quiddler during Spanish II. Photo by Katie Smith

Left: Sophomore Brannt Loroff views a map hoping to pass the test over the Spanish countries. Photo by Whitlea Klaus
What did you like about Government?

"I liked going to County Government Day and seeing how our local government runs each day," said senior Bailey Morgan.

What was your favorite project and why?

"I really liked all of the projects we did," said freshman Jackie Mott.

Mrs. Jene't Brown taught multimedia, desktop publishing, computer applications, and general business.

Multimedia 1 and 2 learned Adobe Flash for the first time. Flash, a new program that involves animation-like cartoons, makes pictures by using shapes such as squares, ovals, and rectangles.

"Multimedia students have been using Flash this year creating animations. First they created St. Patrick's Day e-cards, then a short race using different colored race cars," Mrs. Brown explained. "In their last project, students created a spring scene, such as a buzzing bee and ladybug. I enjoyed the students' creativity when given a choice in the last project."

Students in computer applications worked in Microsoft Office, Photoshop, and I-movie. They did a lot of hands-on work which helped them learn how to use the programs.

Mr. Lyle Rockey taught world history, American history, and geography.

"People get an assignment one day, then discuss it the next day, and after that there is a quiz," said Mr. Rockey.

Mr. Bruce Reynolds taught high school government for the seniors. Students participated in County Government Day and learned how U.S. government works.

Far Right: Students participating in County Government Day pose for a picture. All the students participating were seniors from Doniphan West, Troy, Wathena, or Elwood.

"I enjoyed interacting with other seniors from around the county in a non-competitive setting," said Daniel Dominguez.
"I liked the movie we made called 'When Midgets Attack' starring Bryanna Keller," sophomore Courtney VanWey said.
Why did you like having the opportunity to take college classes?

"It's cheaper and I already know the teachers and like their teaching styles," senior Kayla Hixson said.

What was your favorite speech and why?

"The 'how to' speech because I felt like I did a really good job on it," junior Peter Masters said.

Three college classes were offered through Highland Community College for juniors and seniors to take. Students had to take the Asset test or have a certain ACT score on each subject in order to take the class.

Psychology and public speaking were offered by Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey. From September to December students studied psychology. They did activities such as visiting a psychiatric museum in St. Joseph and experiments with daily activities such as self-examination tests.

"I liked the self-examination tests because I was able to explore my personality," junior Mackenzie Clary said.

During second semester, the students took public speaking with Mrs. Rockey.

There were five main speeches that had to be presented to the class, while student listeners also got a grade for critiquing the speaker. Students also learned about different types of speeches and different ways to organize information.

Mrs. Michelle Newkirk offered college algebra. Although it was a two-semester course, only second semester counted for college credit. The students were able to use graphing calculators for the first time. Mostly bookwork was done during this class, but there were many class discussions on the lessons, helping the students find a way to learn that was easiest for them.

Far right: Juniors Mackenzie Clary, Garrett Meng, Steven Clary, and Peter Masters watch their classmates perform informative speeches.

Right: Senior Brittany Clary shows her classmates how to make punch.
Left: Senior Ashley Miller begins the process of how to make dog treats. Students in public speaking were taught to talk about what they knew and what interested them. Miller chose dog treats for her "how to" speech because she planned to make them for her family pet.

Left to right: Garrett Fenley gives a speech about the most popular types of cars around the world. Steven Clary shows the class how to tie a necktie. Ross Libel and Peter Masters listen and learn. Fenley shows the class how to make a Subway sandwich using techniques he learned at his after-school job. Steven Clary ponders the information he has just learned from his peer’s speech. Junior Mackenzie Clary shows how to make fruit pizza. Garrett Meng finishes his speech as Ross Libel prepares for his. Kenneth Tharman demonstrates how to properly rig a fishing pole. Students were encouraged to dress up for their speeches as they increased in value to the class.

Far left: Ross Libel gets excited while persuading the class. His topic was over the unfair discrepancy in pay for professional athletes and professionals in service occupations.

Left: Desiree Weatherford tries to keep a straight face during her speech. She was discussing the merits of adoption, ending with "Who wouldn’t want to adopt a cute little Asian?"

Photos by Daniel Dominguez
What do you like about Vo-Tech?

"It gets me out of school work and prepares me for my future," senior Gerald Clary said.

Why do you like Industrial Arts?

"Because we can make anything we want to... and Mr. V helps us," sophomore Dylan Norris said.

Mr. Gene Velharticky taught the industrial arts classes including building trades, Industrial Arts I and II, and advanced industrial arts. Building trades built a barn for a local community member during class while Kelsey Smith built a Barbie house during Industrial Arts II.

Mr. Nick Hamilton taught plant and soil science, ag science, and advanced ag mechanics. Advanced ag mechanic students were tested over their welding skills. They also spent time testing in the classroom over types of welding and safety. Junior Kodie Wetmore worked throughout the year to build a horseshoe coat rack.

"I really like to weld because it's challenging and different from my normal classes," she said.

Two seniors participated in Vo-Tech. The students left the high school around 7:15 on a bus with other students from Doniphan County and returned around 11:30 a.m.

Gerald Clary decided on auto-tech for his major. After about an hour of class work, the small class of 14 ventured out into the shop to work on cars that were brought in. The students usually worked on a total of six cars at one time.

Jacob Clary majored in engineering. During the school day students worked on designing things on the computer from jets to computer game characters.

"It's amazing because it gets me out of school," he said.
Left: Sophomore Zack Langford cuts a piece of wood for his project. He built a coat hanger. Every student had to complete a wooden stool before they were able to begin their own project. Photo by Kelsey Smith

Below Left to Right: Bryanna Keller sets up her bed frame to work during class. Garrett Meng and Jordan Thornberry trace a layout for a project. Mr. V helps Chris Tharman measure a piece of wood. Jesse Masters and Cale Cluck begin the outline for Jesse’s deer stand. Gerald Clary puts finishing touches on a project vehicle. Katie Smith paints a seat of a shop stool. Kasey Christopher trims his project. Kenneth Tharman, Jesse Masters and Cale Cluck clean up their projects before the bell. Photos by Whitea Klaus, Kodie Wetmore, and Kelsey Smith

Left: Jesse Masters shows a classmate the correct way to measure his project. Photo by Alyssa Burchett-Burtis

Far left: Zack Langford measures wood to cut. Sophomore Mica Ashford sands down her project. Photo by Kelsey Smith
Accomplishments

Looking back on the transformation of Troy High, the school had many accomplishments to be proud of. The freshman and senior classes received the Standard of Excellence on their assessment scores which was based on the previous year's tests. Both classes received a day out of school. Hana Speaks and Hannah Simpson both earned their way to state cross country where Simpson placed 16th. For the eighth straight year, the football team competed in the state playoffs. For the third consecutive season, DC baseball traveled to state, seeded first. Eight athletes traveled to state track to compete. Garrett Meng broke the school record for shotput; Hana Speaks broke her own 800-meter-run record, Leslie Ostertag set a new girl's long-jump record, and Eli Smith broke the record for the 100-meter dash.

Eight students qualified to compete at state journalism with Hannah Simpson, Desiree Weatherford, and Whitlea Klaus placing and Steven Clary and Daniel Dominguez receiving honorable mentions. Daniel Dominguez, Steven Clary, Whitlea Klaus, and Katie Smith were inducted into Quill & Scroll. Brittany Clary received a II rating at the regional music competition. Seven students traveled to state speech competition, with four students receiving I ratings in three events. Art students had many different accomplishments and placed at many competitions including the HCC Art Day. FBLA competitors qualified for state and competed to their best ability at state competition. Although students and staff had to adjust to a major change with the schedule, everyone was able to accomplish many new things.
Top: Eli Smith sprints as the anchor leg in the 4x100-meter relay at the Doniphan County Track Meet in Wathena. Photo by Katie Smith

Middle: Steven Clary checks his form as he finishes his workout for his weights class. Photo by Eli Smith

Bottom: Jacob Winkel escorts Hannah Simpson to Cinderella’s wedding during the spring musical. Photo by Mickayla Shelton
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The mansion next to the high school continued to undergo renovations to move towards a bed and breakfast. When lightning struck the Trojan Graphics building, construction work was done immediately. The jail also continued construction work and was finished. The very old town water line was also replaced, the work lasting much of the winter and spring.
Top: After the backboard was shattered by accident, Mr. Cash and other teachers quickly put up the replacement before regional basketball later that night. Photo by Whitlea Klaus

Middle: Construction workers replaced old or broken bricks on the courthouse to keep a nice and clean look.

Bottom: Three ISS rooms were made in Mr. Cash's office, wide enough only for a desk and chair. Photos by Whitlea Klaus
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