As we enter the 1999-2000 school year, we take notice of all of the changes happening in and around Midway. Everyone is entering new classes and trying new things. There are several new faces, students and teachers, among the many old faces at MHS. The newness ties into all of the preparations taking place for the new millennium. The new millennium, as well as the new school year, is a fresh start for everyone.

NEVER BEFORE have we been at this place in our lives, as seniors, juniors, sophomores, or freshmen, and we will NEVER AGAIN be able to come back to these times in our lives, to relive or change them, except in our own minds.

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Mr. Nine mire tries on Luke Helmstetter's "70's" wig during Spirit Week.

Mrs. Spangler and Mrs. Davis confer as judges during the MHS scholars bowl.

Helping out her band, Miss Gesche joins in on the trombone during a football pep rally.

During Spirit Week, Nathan Bevis mimics Mr. Leatherman, even to the split in his pants!

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Mr. Leatherman poses while trying on the sophomores' new class rings.

Mrs. Taylor allows Luke Helmstetter to feel her baby kicking in Senior English. (Devin Reece Taylor was born Dec. 22, 1999.)
It's business as usual for Mrs. Winchester, who works hard at her neat desk.

Never been

Annoyances: "When students make a dog whistle sounds out of their recorders, and ask if we are going to play in band today."

Method of combatting the madness: "I tell them we're going to play Tiddlywinks."

-Amy Gesche, Band and Music

Annoyances: "When students know everything that happened on TV last week, but didn't have time to do their homework. Also, when they ask 'Why do we have to do this?' or 'Why are you always picking on me?'"

Method of combatting the madness: "I haven't figured it out yet."

-Jim Leatherman, Math

So annoyed!

Mrs. Roberts demonstrates turkey-making skills in her modern foods class.
For this year’s seniors, the year 2000 has always seemed like a goal—a promise of the future. They have come a long way together in the halls of Midway. Of the 14 members of the class of 2000, seven have been together since kindergarten. To the rest of the world, the year 2000 is a beginning of a new millennium, but for this year’s graduating class, it is the start of a new life. We are the future.

"I will never forget when Dan hid under a desk in the 5th grade, because he was afraid of a hat." - Heather Frump

"I will never forget arguing about EVERYTHING in the 8th grade." - Luke Helmstetter

"I will never forget wasting an entire quarter to build "The Wooden O" in freshmen English." - Becky Martin

"I will never forget how even though we’ve been through ups and downs, we still have come out together as friends." - Lisa Collins

The class of 2000 in the first grade. Members include- (Front Row from left) Becky Martin-4th, Jenny Boos-7th, Jennifer Walsh-8th, and Melissa Helmstetter-9th. (Back Row from left) Luke Helmstetter-6th, Jeff Falk-7th, and Sarah Burke-10th, along with others.

Before the Christmas music program in fourth grade—(Front row from left) Sarah Burke-2nd, Melissa Helmstetter-3rd, Jenny Boos-4th, Amy Halling-5th and Heather Frump-6th. (Back row from left) Jennifer Walsh-2nd, Becky Martin-4th, Jeff Falk-5th, and Luke Helmstetter-6th, as well as others.

Heather Frump works hard on painting the bleachers before Homecoming.

Racing against the underclassmen during Spirit Week, the seniors carry Amy Halling toward the finish line.

Lisa Collins, Sarah Burke and Jenny Boos celebrate after a big tug-o-war win during Spirit Week.
For who's who in the baby pictures, refer to page 71.
"I believe that choosing the dress up days should be done every year by the senior class. Seniors deserve to get a chance to put the underclassmen through torture. It should just be the privilege of being a senior. After all, the whole purpose of Spirit Week is to support our school."
- Billie Underwood

"I think we will always remember dressing up the freshmen for Spirit Week. It's a tradition. The funnest part was seeing the freshmen in diapers."
- Heather Frump

"I think that our senior sneak is going to be a lot of fun! It's our last big trip or event to do together just our class. I am sure Luke will entertain us all. Overall it will be fun and full of memories."
- Jennifer Walsh

"Seniors sneak is going to be a good way to spend time with my class before we graduate and go our separate ways."
- Lisa Collins
Calista Marie Cairo
Lisa Marie Collins
Daniel Ray Earl
Jeffrey Alan Falk
Leather Marie Frump
Amy Beth Halling
Luke Charles Helmstetter
Melissa Renee Helmstetter
Nichole Elizabeth Hensley
Rebecca Lynn Martin
Billie Jo Underwood
Jennifer Marie Walsh
"I hadn't gotten much sleep throughout the whole week. I decided to take a nap in English. I woke up when the bell rang. Not only did the teacher ask me if I had a nice nap, but when I looked down I realized there was a huge puddle of drool all over my desk."
Erica Herrs

"While at NCYC I found a sign from one of the sessions. It said, "I Want To Know What Love Is!" I told Luke that if we took the sign we could probably get girls. I was right! Luke couldn't move two feet without girls hanging on him, so I decided to try it. One girl walked by laughing. When I turned around to yell back at her and talk to her and the group of girls she was with I ran into a big sign! I then started to laugh and tripped and ran into another girl! I gave the sign back to Luke and decided to try it again while we were eating. I propped it up where I was sitting and a guy came over and told me he would show me what love was! I threw the sign away and gave up!"
Tim Sanderson

Junior Nick Williams catches a few Z's during last period English class. Mrs. Taylor decided to get even by snapping a photo during his quick nap.

Junior Ryann Owens gets her groove on at the Homecoming dance. You go girl!

During spirit week juniors Brett Miner, Beth Lednicky, and Ryann Owens teamed up and competed in the three-legged race. By their expressions it looks as if they had a great time!
Juniors Amber Stevens, Nathan Bevis, Amanda Stevens, and Michelle Walsh go about building a pyramid out of dry spaghetti and gum drops during their Trigonometry class.

Juniors Shane Gage, Ted Freeman, and Jared Dunning make their weekend plans.
Stephanie Jones and Monique Henderson relax in the hall after working hard in class.

Adam Matthias looks at water samples from home in his Biology II class.
“My favorite movie is *Hope Floats* because it has a very hopeful and romantic ending. My least favorite movie is *Saving Private Ryan* because I don’t want to see a movie where people die.”

Monique Henderson

“I love *Stepmom* because it teaches people the value of life. I hate the *Blair Witch Project* because it is so phony.”

Christina McNett

“*Star Wars Episode I* is my favorite movie. I love the special effects. I didn’t really like *The Three Caballeros*. It had no purpose to it.”

Matthew Pauly

“*White Christmas* is a good movie. I liked Bing Crosby. He is a good actor. I really can’t think of a movie that I disliked.”

Kyle Miller
Freshmen girls laugh as they watch their classmates have fun during the Spirit Week mat race.

"I will never forget how nervous I was at my first high school volleyball and basketball games."
Amanda Thompson

"I will never forget how scared I was because I went from being one of the oldest in junior high, to being one of the youngest in high school."
Laura Albers

"I will never forget how nervous I was for my first basketball game."
Brandon Winchester

"What I will never forget is playing on the varsity football team."
Brad Scholz

"I will never forget P.E. because it is fun and it is all year long."
Kristina Ingram

Freshmen girls laugh as they watch their classmates have fun during the Spirit Week mat race.

Shawn Kuhnert and Steve Christopher cook while in modern foods.

Luke Lednicky and Brandon Winchester take a break after running at McLouth.

Sophomores
Freshmen have fun during the mat race during spirit week.

David Schmitt signs the score sheet after a scholars' bowl meet.
Becky Martin uses her architectural skills to create this tower during College English.

The junior class decorated pumpkins and gave them their own personalities in English class.

Tyler Martin tests the chicken to see if it was okay to cook while Tyson Rush continues to cut away.

Jared Dunning surgically cuts away at his frog during Anatomy class.

Lisa Collins and Cali Cairo carry out a routine day in Government class.

The pep band performs the Star-Spangled Banner before a football game.
"When Jeff made his speech about All Legs are Mechanical during Speech class."

Billie Underwood, senior

"When Mrs. Scherer told us about promiscuous occupations that involved boric acid during Anatomy class."

Amanda Stevens, junior

"Mrs. Scherer decided to pull a prank on Luke and told our class to leave one by one during a movie. Half the class left before Luke even noticed. So then he left and Mrs. Scherer locked him out. When he got back Mrs. Scherer left and we put the desks all over the room, even on top of her desk."

Tyler Martin, sophomore

"When Mr. Ninemire freaked out when he couldn't find his VCR remote. He was worried that he would actually have to get up to work the VCR."

Brett Miner, junior
Most Homework
#1 Mr. Larson - 31%
#2 Mr. Leatherman - 23%
#3 Mrs. Taylor - 17%

Least Homework
#1 Mrs. Winchester - 26%
#2 Ms. Gesche - 17%
#3 Mr. Ninemire - 12%

HEAVIEST book in school?
English IV 5.75 lbs.

LIGHTEST book in school?
Spanish I 2.60 lbs.

The Survey Says...
Do we really know everything there is to know about Midway High School? Do we know every detail there is to know about our school? How about the opinions of others? We all have our own opinions. Here are the opinions of the other students in Midway High School.

How does the rest of the high school think? Here's what the Survey Says...

What time do we WAKE UP for school?
- 6:00-6:30: 34%
- 6:30-7:00: 32%
- 7:00-7:30: 25%

Do we prefer pen or pencil?
- Pen: 51%
- Pencil: 49%

Do we type or write out assignments?
- Type: 65%
- Write: 35%

Never ENOUGH Time
Nathan Bevis rests his weary mind. Too often teenagers don't get enough sleep at home. Due to the lack of SLEEP at home many students feel they can make that lost time up at school. How often do students really SLEEP at school during the week?
- Once: 29%
- 2-3: 14%
- 3-5: 28%
- Never: 29%

In the classroom
How often do we use the Internet for homework during the week?
- Once: 45%
- 23: 15%
- 3-5: 18%
- Never: 22%
Organizations

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High school band members for the 1999-2000 school year.

Lisa Collins, Tyler Martin, and Brandon Winchester play under the direction of Ms. Gesche during the Spring Concert.

Students not in the choir class volunteered to be part of a show choir that performed at the Spring Concert.

WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT MUSIC?

“Swing choir is fun and Ms. Gesche is really neat. She makes class fun.”

Monique Henderson, sophomore

“Music is a good way to express yourself. I like learning new music.”

Billie Underwood, senior

The Show Choir performs during the Spring Concert.

WHAT DOES STUDENT COUNCIL DO?
- Keep the pop and juice machines filled.
- Organize Homecoming and Snowball dances.
- Keep the school clean.
- Try to help students with their problems.
- Fundraising for student activities.

Tim Sanderson enjoys throwing a pie in Luke Helmstetter’s face as part of a fund raiser for student council.

Luke Helmstetter recovers from having a pie thrown in his face.
HOW TO PREPARE A YEARBOOK PAGE

1. Go into Adobe Pagemaker 6.0.
2. Design a layout. This includes pictures, text, captions, headlines, and any artwork.
3. Choose or take pictures that you would like to use.
4. Interview people for quotes and writing the story.
5. Print out a first draft. Have Mrs. Taylor edit.
6. Make revisions.
7. Crop pictures to correct size.
8. Send pages to Jostens for printing.

FACTS about the 2000 yearbook

The cost to purchase one yearbook was $22 or $24.
Approximately 35-40 rolls of film were processed to get the pictures.
The base price Jostens charged for printing 60 copies of this 72 page book was $3700.
The 7 members of the class were each responsible for completing approximately 9-10 pages.

The Publications Class had a flower sale for Valentine’s Day and prepares the flowers to be sent out.
Backrow: Natalie Merten, Andrea Hensley, Matt Clark, David Schmitt, Coach Shirley Symns. Front row: Kyle Miller, Matt Pauly, Amy Halling, Tyler Martin. The varsity walked away from a good season with a record of 5-4 and the junior varsity walked away with a record of 2-3.

DO YOU EVER GET NERVOUS?

"Right before a match I get nervous, and then it goes away."
Amy Halling

"Every now and then I got nervous."
David Schmitt

"Of course I never got nervous. I went out for scholars bowl to support the school."
Natalie Merten

"I never get nervous."
Tyler Martin

"Before my very first meet, I was nervous."
Andrea Hensley

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Bill and Elizabeth Pauly

Amy Halling signs the score sheet after a Regional match.

Matt Pauly watches Mr. Martin help his son Tyler Martin fix his tie.
WHAT CLASSES CAUSE YOU TO HAVE THE MOST STRESS?

"I would have to say that Algebra II is the most stressful class for me because I always have homework in that class."

sophomore Andrea Hensley

"Speech is the most stressful class for me and then I would say English because of all the essays we have to write. I was also stressed when it came time for our Governments papers to be due."

senior Becky Martin

"I find that Science classes challenge me the most."

sophomore Matt Pauly

"The class that stresses me out the most is College English because of the essays we have to write and the huge tests Mrs. Taylor gives us."

senior Amy Halling

The new inductees wait patiently to receive their membership certificates.

Andrea Hensley receives her membership certificate from President Becky Martin.

Amanda Stevens lights the candle for service.

The members of the National Honor Society are: back row: Michelle Walsh, Jennifer Knudson, Sarah Henry, Becky Martin, Sarah Burke, Amy Halling, Amanda Stevens, Amber Stevens, Eric Fuhrman, front row: Angela Boos, Jennifer Hamilton, Andrea Hensley, Tyler Martin, Nathan Bevis, Adam Matthias, Kyle Miller, and Matt Pauly.
Sports

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ALWAYS Trying

1999 brought a season of firsts for the volleyball team. Winning the Bern Tournament and placing third in the Valley Falls Tournament were just two of their firsts. The team’s accomplishments also include beating Horton for the first time and beating Dawson-Verdon and Bern for the first time with Marla Taylor as head coach. “I’ll never forget this group of girls. They worked hard and the seniors showed great leadership. They made some lasting memories.”

I’ll NEVER Forget...

Amanda Stevens: “When Natalie forgot her sports bra and they had to use athletic tape instead.”

Becky Martin: “Winning the Bern Tournament. The games were really close and we pulled together as a team.”

Jennifer Walsh: “The day we got out of practice early to make posters to hang in the gym. Of course, mine and Andrea’s was the best.”

Ryann Owens: “Playing on varsity and placing third out of eight teams at the Valley Falls Tournament.”

Jenny Boos: “The way that we improved during the season.”

Natalie Merten: “Everytime that Andrea cheered for me. I could not help but smile hilariously through the rest of the game.”

Beth Lednicky: “The follow-the-leader warm-up around the school.”

Heather Frump: “Our season. It has been the best probably in a long time.”

HONORS

Valley Falls Tournament Team,
Becky Martin

All-County Team,
Amanda Stevens, Becky Martin

Coach Carmen Crandall keeps the intensity high before the team heads back out on the court.

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Heather Trupm and Ryann Owens watch from behind as Becky Martin passes the ball to her setter.

"The volleyball season this year was one that will be in my memory forever. It was one of the best and funnest in my four years of high school."  
Sarah Burke, Senior

The varsity players pull up and cover as Shelly Becker pounds the ball at Atchison.

The varsity team smiles proudly after they captured first place at the Bern Tournament.

Varsity setter Amanda Stevens shows perfect form as she back sets to Jenny Boos.
Eagles Continue Winning Tradition

NEVER Say NEVER

Despite the lack of size, Midway once again found ways to win. This season the young Eagles had only one senior. They also came into the season with nine freshmen. Midway knew how to win but it was going to take great teamwork and effort and they did just that with seven straight victories with a margin no less than 18 points. The Eagles soared high then faced Baileyville for the District championship. Midway went to B&B with a 7-0 record and ranked second in state. B&B carried a 6-1 record and a ranking of fifth in the state. Both teams struggled on offense at the beginning but B&B struck first and never looked back. Midway suffered their first defeat of the season which in turn ended their playoff hopes. The Eagles held their heads high and finished the season with a 72-32 victory over St. Mary’s. Despite the lack of size, the team used what they had to win. They played as a team, gave great effort and played with heart. I’ll NEVER Forget...

Brett Miner: “Listening to coach Smith squeak on the sideline.”

Daren Roberts: “Seeing for the first time somebody spike the ball in the endzone during a high school game.” (Brett)

Tyler Martin: “Playing guard and blocking for Luke as he went to the endzone and having four interceptions in one game.”

Mark Scholz makes a move to get the Axtell defense turned around.

The Eagles fly down the field to cover a kick-off.

HONORS

Brett Miner - 1st Team All-State Defensive line Topeka Capital-Journal, Honorable Mention All-State Defensive line Wichita Eagle.

Daren Roberts - 1st team All-State Defense Wichita Eagle, Honorable Mention All-State Linebacker Topeka Capital-Journal.

Tyler Martin - Honorable Mention All-State Quarterback Wichita Eagle, Honorable Mention All-State Back Topeka Capital-Journal.
Daren Roberts tries to power his way past three Axtell defenders.

“Playing football for Midway taught me that size, speed and strength doesn't matter but it's the size of the heart that you play with. As long as you have the heart to win good things will happen.”

Luke Helmstetter, Senior
Team goes to state AGAIN!

NEVER Second Best!

The 1999 girls' cross country team was plagued with injury. Despite being impaired they continued on placing second at regionals, qualifying to compete at state. This would make the team's second consecutive year of going to state. Lots of personal bests were made for the girls, and the hard work that they put in nearly every morning at 6 a.m. paid off in a big way.

The boys had three newcomers to the sport, Dusty McNett, Brandon Winchester, and Luke Lednicky. Coincidentally they were all freshman.

I'll NEVER Forget...

Angela Boos... “Swimming was probably the best, with lip syncs, dancing, flips off the diving board it was all fun! I love having a coach that makes practices exciting!”

Coach Leatherman... “I think the girls team did well this season and I think we could make it a third year at state next year. The freshman boys ran well and placed high in their races. I enjoyed the team this year and I'm looking forward to next year.”

HONORS

First team all county,
Angela Boos

Second team all county,
Sarah Henry, Amber Stevens, Luke Lednicky, and Brandon Winchester.

Freshman Brandon Winchester runs without his shoe at McLouth. He said that his shoe came untied and it was coming off so he just threw it to one of his teammates and finished the race without it.

Freshman Luke Lednicky is three-fourths of the way through his race at McLouth. Lednicky went on to finish first in the junior varsity race.
Amber Stevens, Sarah Henry, Erinn Groeltz, Angela Boos, Tessa Reist, Lynn Windmeyer, and Callee Simpson won the first place varsity trophy at the McLouth meet.

Junior Sarah Henry keeps her pace in the varsity race at McLouth.

Sophomore Stephanie Jones keeps up with the competition at the beginning of the race at McLouth.

"For me, this was the most rewarding and fun year that I have ever had in Cross Country. I loved running with all of my teammates during practice because we always came up with something to laugh about. Mr. Leatherman should get credit for making this year a blast. He always comes up with new running games and different places to run and that makes the season all the more enjoyable."

Amber Stevens, Junior

Team Schedule
Maur Hill- 9/9/99
Wamego- 9/11/99
McLouth- 9/16/99
Troy- 9/23/99
Horton- 9/30/99
Sabetha- 10/7/99
Jackson Heights 10/19/99
Regionals/Washington 10/23/99
State/Wamego- 10/30/99

Sophomore Angela Boos shows her acrobatic skills at the Strasburg's pool during her free time between workouts.

Left: Stephanie Jones, Angela Boos, Sarah Henry, and Amber Stevens work hard during their pool workout.
We ALWAYS Represent

Morning after morning, day after day, week after week, this year’s team worked hard and had fun doing it. Through ups and downs they stuck together and defined the word TEAM.

The Eagles went into the season with high expectations, and though not all of their goals were met, their final record of 15-7 certainly was nothing to be ashamed of. They made memories that will not be forgotten, and friendships that will never die.

I’ll NEVER Forget...
Amanda Stevens: “The Elwood Tournament code words: ‘Red Alert’.”
Sarah Henry: “All of us trying to sing the Star-Spangled Banner before the Elwood game at home.”
Andrea Hensley: “Singing ‘Goodbye Earl’ on the bus. It became like our theme song.”
Angela Boos: “When we played charades before the Bern Tourney- we had many potential actresses (or comedians) in the lockerrom that night!”
Jennifer Walsh: “When the coaches and underclassmen had to take animal lessons.”
Amber Stevens: “All of our ‘lighting up’ with matches.”
Laura Albers: “When they sang to Coach Johnson at Ryan’s for his ‘birthday’, and called him Buzz.”
Ryann Owens: “The practice when Coach Bottom was being serious, and everyone was standing around giggling and holding their shirts over their noses.”
Michelle Walsh: “Our pregame W.A.R. cry.”

HONORS

Elwood Tournament Team,
Amanda Stevens, Michelle Walsh Honorable Mention- Becky Martin
All-County Team,
Michelle Walsh Honorable Mention- Becky Martin, Amanda Stevens
All-Atchison-Area Team,
Becky Martin Michelle Walsh Honorable Mention- Amanda Stevens

Michelle Walsh jumps for the ball against B&B.
Ryann Owens listens carefully to instructions from the bench.

"I thought our team worked well together this year. We were more of a family than a team."
Heather Frump, Senior

Sarah Henry puts up a three-pointer against Troy.

Michelle Walsh looks in a pass in the paint.

The team huddles after introductions, before their last game.

Becky Martin plays defense against Baileyville in the second round of Regionals.

Amanda Stevens puts up a lay-in, after a steal against St. Joe Christian.

Jennifer Walsh posts up big against Troy.

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The Eagles stepped on the court this season ready to make a statement and they did. They started the season with three straight wins to take the Bern pre-season tournament. Then came their first and only loss in the regular season to the Sacred Heart Irish. From then on the Eagles never looked back, going on to win 16 straight games including three wins to take first in the Elwood tournament for the fourth straight year. The regular season ended with a 19-1 record that earned them a number one seed for Regionals. The Eagles defeated Baileyville in two overtimes to move on to the Regional championship. Midway then faced the Bern Indians for the second time of the season. Once again the Eagles played another hard fought game and won by a buzzer shot with no time remaining. The Eagles earned a spot in the Marysville Sub-State where they faced the Hanover Wildcats, two-time defending state champs. The almost-perfect season came to end against the Wildcats. The Eagles stayed close with the Wildcats, but fell short of the State tournament, 41-51. The Eagles finished the season at 22-2. Midway made some memories throughout the season that not only the fans, but the players will never forget.

I'll Never forget...
Eric Fuhrman: "How much running we had to do in practice."
Tim Sanderson: "The last second buzzer shot Jeff made to beat Bern by one in the Regional championship game. That was nice."
Mark Scholz: "Being 5'9" and going up for the jump ball."

HONORS
Topeka Capital-Journal
Jeff Falk - Honorable Mention
Daren Roberts - Honorable Mention
Tyler Martin - Honorable Mention
Wichita Eagle
Jeff Falk - Honorable Mention
Daren Roberts - Honorable Mention
Atchison All-Area
Jeff Falk - First Team
Daren Roberts - Second Team
All County Team
Jeff Falk - First Team
Daren Roberts - First Team
Tyler Martin - Second Team
Elwood Tournament
Jeff Falk - First Team
Daren Roberts - First Team
Tyler Martin - Second Team
Kansas Sports Magazine
Jeff Falk - Second Team

Jeff Falk gets high for a jump shot against Baileyville.

"We had a lot of fun and had some really exciting games. I'm just sorry it's over."
--Jeff Falk, Senior

Brandon Winchester looks down the court for the open man.

Mark Scholz tries to outjump his taller opponent.
NEVER satisfied

The 2000 girls and boys track season was full of enthusiasm, hard work, and desire. It seemed that the boys would not be satisfied unless they walked away from a track meet with a first place trophy, which they accomplished six out of eight times. "I was pretty pleased with the boys' wins because in some of the meets there was excellent competition with bigger schools and it's always nice to be able to beat bigger schools," said coach Jim Leatherman. Although the girls did not win any championships, they still did their best and produced a season that was memorable and fun.

I'll NEVER Forget...

Matt Pauly:... "The day Coach Bottom met up with the garter snake."
Adam Stevens:... "Steve trying to kill a squirrel."
Jennifer Hamilton:... "The annoying relays I had to run in."
Mark Scholz:... "Brett's thong."
Nathan Bevis:... "Steve at the Axtell track meet."
Eric Fuhrman:... "The blonde boys of 2000."
Andrea Hensley:... "The time Mrs. Pauly bought our weight man relay team breadsticks because we placed second."


Giving it his all, Tyler Martin pushes himself to reach the finish line first.

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Go Eagles Go!

HONORS

State Track Meet
-Daren Roberts, 5th Discus, shot partic.
-Tyler Martin, 3rd 400
-Tyson Rush, 4th HJ, 6th TJ, partic. HH
-1600 Relay, 2nd (Eric Fuhrman, Mark Scholz, Nathan Bevis, Tyler Martin & Brandon Winchester alt.)
-Angela Boos, 800/1600 partic.
-Eric Fuhrman, 7th TJ

Broken School Records
Tyson Rush, T/J/HJ
Daren Roberts, discus

Brandon Winchester waits for the gun before he begins the race.
Andrea Hensley tries her best to reach her goal in the shot put.

Eric Fuhrman competes in the triple jump at the Panther Relays.

"Track was a lot of fun this year. Considering we only had six girls on the team, we had a surprisingly good season."

Erica Herrs, Junior

The girls are all smiles on their way home from the last regular season track meet at Jackson Heights.

Preparation to run in her first race of the day, Angela Boos warms up on the track.

Brett Miner changes his shoes after finishing one of his races.

Concentrating on the race, Tyson Rush looks to the next hurdle.
I’ll NEVER Forget...

Beth Lednicky:... “When we were coming home from a football game on the pep bus, Mr. Spangler was driving and we cruised the strip in Atchison.”

Laura Albers:... “When I kicked in our dance to Mighty Eagles at a pep rally, I came down wrong and sprained my ankle.”

Amanda Thompson:... “When the junior and senior football players helped us with cheers and a routine at a pep rally.”

The football players help pump up the crowd by attempting to copy the cheerleaders’ dance routine at a pep rally.

Cheerleaders pump up the crowd with cheers during the game.

Could there be male cheerleaders in the future of MHS?

Football cheerleaders left to right: Beth Lednicky, Amber Stevens, Amanda Thompson, Rachael Ricklefs, Amy Halling, and Laura Albers.
Cheers are heard from all around at the games at Midway. No matter what sport there are always dedicated fans there for support through any win or loss. For some, showing their spirit could be traveling great distances as they go to all or most of the games.

Fans hit the road...

- Cross Country - 1,154 miles
- Football - 577 miles
- Volleyball - 497 miles
- Basketball - 953 miles
- Track - 688 miles

Fans show their spirit in their different ways at the boys Sub-State game in Marysville.

Jenny Boos and Mindee Peuker choose to watch the football game in a front row seat instead of walking the sidelines.

Michelle Walsh, Shelly Becker, Ryann Owens, Sarah Henry, Mindee Peuker, and Amanda Stevens show their spirit off as a sign of their spirit on Homecoming night.
I'll NEVER Forget...

"Daren Roberts breaking the school discus record; Tyson Rush's high jump record; Tyson and Tyler Martin's triple jumping; and the one point victory at the Highland meet."
- Wally Autem, Athletic Director

"Playing defense in practice against Daren Roberts. He went up for a shot, and I tried to defend him. His shoulder slammed into my jaw, and I bit my tongue. I talked with a lisp for the next three weeks because my tongue was bruised and swollen."
- George Jones, Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach

"Our van ride home from the Jackson Heights freshman/sophomore meet; Michelle and her "Buzz Lightyear" crowning of Coach Johnson; the "Light a Fire" motto adopted by Jennifer Walsh; Amanda's 7 for 10 three-point performance versus Dekalb; the effort given by this year's team; the seniors."
- Jennifer Bottom, Girls' Basketball and Track Coach

"Another round of napkin chicken-making at the Italian restaurant in Manhattan during state cross country; going 22-2 (in basketball) because of having players who were willing to accept their roles; and who played together extremely well; the snake incident with Coach Bottom; seeing Steve Christopher go from chasing squirrels to running an interesting 3200 at Wakefield to anchoring our winning 4x100 relay at the County Meet."
- Jim Leatherman, Cross Country, Boys' Basketball, and Boys' Track Coach

"My son running a cross country race with one shoe; Nathan Bevis breaking his nose and getting a concussion at the Horton basketball game; girls basketball team crushing Highland."
- Vicki Winchester, Mother and Teacher

"I think the boys' basketball team's most outstanding game was at Highland when Jeff 'knocked in' that last second shot to win against Bern."
- David Spangler, Bus Driver and Teacher
Student Life

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Body piercing and tattooing the latest fad... What is the experience really like?

“I was scared at first because I was sitting there as he was “prepping” me and it hit me, oh my gosh he is actually going to use a needle and poke me with it. After they started it felt like when your foot falls asleep; it was all tingly. It hurt the most when he was coloring the moon in. In my opinion I think that if you want it but everyone else thinks it is bad, don’t listen to them because it is your body and your decision. I don’t regret it at all.”

Senior Lisa Collins

“I really wasn’t nervous about getting my tongue pierced because I had wanted it done for a long time. I sat in a chair and the lady that pierced it stuck a long needle through my tongue. It hurt the most when she put the barbell in and had to twist it around to make sure it was tight. I think the worst part was my tongue swelling up for about a week after I had it done. I couldn’t eat solid food for a few days.”

Senior Billie Underwood

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Senior Melissa Helmstetter

“When I pierced my eyebrow and nose all I used was a needle and some ice. It didn’t hurt like I thought it would.”

Freshman Crystal DuVall

What are students listening to?

Top 5 country CDs
1. Dixie Chicks - Fly
2. Dixie Chicks - Wide Open Spaces
3. Faith Hill - Breathe
4. Martina McBride - Emotions
5. Kenny Chesney - Everywhere I Go

Top 5 Rock/Rap CDs
1. Kid Rock - Devil Without A Cause
2. KORN - Follow The Leader
3. Limp Bizkit - Significant Other
4. Juvenile - 400 Degreez
5. Powerman 5000 - Tonight The Stars Revolt
Many guys at Midway are **Dyeing to Be Blonde.** The coloring of hair has become a very popular trend this year. Girls may highlight or dye their hair a completely different color and many of the guys have tipped or dyed their hair blonde. Hair color has become a fashion accessory. It gives teens a way to express themselves and be different. Usually, guys have a friend dye their hair or do it themselves, and girls usually go to the salon. Hair dye costs between $7 and $9 when one buys it, and having it done at the salon one would pay between $20-$40, depending on hair length.

Food, clothes, gasoline, dates, CDs, tanning, hair dye, entertainment, etc., are just a few things that students spend money on. The teenage lifestyle is an expensive one. Many students choose to eat fast food, and to buy snacks during break at school. This adds up fast. Nowadays, to get name-brand clothing, one can expect to pay between $30-$50 for a pair of jeans and $10-$40 for a shirt. It all depends on the brand; Abercrombie and Lucky are a couple of the most expensive. CDs are between $13-$20, and some students have quite a collection. When it gets close to prom, a lot of girls tan and this is really expensive. It is $3 for one tan or $25 for 10, and one can expect to pay between $20-$30 on tanning accelerator lotion. Students spend a great deal of money on gas since the prices are soaring this year. Nowadays, gas costs up to $1.69 per gallon and is expected to increase to $2 over the summer.
What do you prefer?
A business person or an athlete?

Males prefer
Business - 29%
Athlete - 71%

Females prefer
Business - 35%
Athlete - 65%

The preferred “athletic type” is demonstrated by this photo of the volleyball team.

Q: Is kissing in public okay?

Males say...
Yes - 97%
No - 3%

Females say...
Yes - 91%
No - 9%

Luke Helmstetter and Jennifer Walsh posed for this photo illustration showing that most students have no problem seeing this kind of P.D.A.

“If you ask them, they will respond.”

Would you go on a blind date set up by your best friend?

Males
Yes
No
74% 26%

Females
Yes
No
79% 21%

Would you date your 5th cousin if he or she were a supermodel?

Males
Yes
No
84% 16%

Females
Yes
No
56% 44%

Q: What length of hair do you prefer in the opposite sex?

Males prefer...
Short hair - 3%
Long hair - 48%
Don’t care - 48%

Females prefer...
Short hair - 76%
Long hair - 0%
Don’t care - 24%

Andrea Hensley is one Midway female with the preferred long hair status.

Mark Scholz, Daren Roberts, and Tim Sanderson have the short hair that most females like.

Tall or short... Which one?

Males prefer...
Taller women - 6%
Shorter women - 68%
Don’t care - 26%

Females prefer...
Taller men - 97%
Shorter men - 0%
Don’t care - 3%

Kevin Thompson and Natalie Merten demonstrate the preferred height status in a relationship.
Looks aren't always the first trait we look for in the opposite sex. Sometimes we take the time to get to know the person and see what kind of personality he or she has. This is what the students at Midway look for.

**Males**
- Sense of humor - 52%
- Honesty - 19%
- Outgoing - 10%

**Females**
- Honesty - 38%
- Sense of humor - 26%
- Outgoing - 15%

Amanda Stevens is known for her outgoing personality and good sense of humor.

**Looks do matter**

*Looks aren't everything but they do matter.* This is what Midway prefers according to the physical aspect.

**Males**
- Butt - 29%
- Smile - 19%
- Eyes - 16%

**Females**
- Eyes - 41%
- Smile - 29%
- Butt - 21%

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Would you... **DARE to DATE?**

Would you date someone... **with a tongue ring?**

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Would you date someone... **who has dropped out of high school?**

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**Preferred COLOR of hair?**

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Jenny Boos and Melissa Helmssetter are two Midway blondes.
The latest technology....

Why do we need it?

"My pager is handy. It is an easy way for my friends to get a hold of me. It is a good and cheap way to keep in touch."
-junior Tim Sanderson

I use my phone for a lot of different reasons. If I need to get in touch with someone about an assignment, if I get a flat tire, if I will be late somewhere, if I forget something at a person’s house, or just to talk to people.
- senior Billie Underwood

"Laptops are great because there are so many options. You can work on them on your own time. You don’t have to go to the library; you can just stay at home. I am glad that people that do not have computers at home have the opportunity to use laptops."
-junior Sarah Henry

"I like the many opportunities that are on the computer. It is less time consuming and it makes assignments easier.”
-junior Jennifer Knudson

Senior expenses...

Lisa Collins and Melissa Helmsatter try on their graduation gowns.

Pictures...

Dan Earl poses for his Lifetouch senior photo. Seniors may spend as much as $400 or more on their professional pictures. Popular studios this year were Rox’s and Ranieri’s.

Prom costs...

Jenny Boos and Jennifer Walsh at this year’s prom. A prom dress can cost from $45-$500 and then there are shoes, undergarments, flowers, hair accessories and styling, jewelry, and tanning.
STRETCHING $$$ FOR SCHOOL STUFF

Andrea Hensley, Becky Martin and Niki Hensley show their need for backpacks. Some students carry their backpacks to each class and others just use them to cart homework back and forth to school. Backpacks can cost from $10-$52.

Computer diskettes, books, scissors, whiteout, paper, pop, Bath and Body Works lotion, gum, candy, and nail polish are just a few of life's "necessities" that add to the costs of being a student.

Students spend a lot for school (or parents in many cases). They have to pay for class rings, prom dresses, letter jackets, school pictures, graduation items, yearbooks, athletic shoes and many other things. Class rings can cost from $100-$160. The most expensive thing to buy is a letter jacket, which can cost about $200-300. Girls buy prom dresses at least two times in high school, if not more. Dresses can cost from $45-$500. School pictures are another mildly expensive item. There are different kinds of pictures to buy, especially if students are involved in multiple sports. And for seniors, graduation items can cost from $100-400.

Prom can also be expensive for the guys. Nathan Bevis sported a hat and a cane with his tuxedo for the "gangster" look for prom. A tuxedo can cost about $140.

Students that plan ahead for their futures also have the added expenses of taking college credit classes offered at Midway, or just traveling to the colleges they may be interested in. Jeff Falk and Sarah Henry take a look at one of the career education booths set up in the gym during the Biology II career day expo.

The price of showing school spirit can be high. People have to drive to where games are being held and pay to get in, and of course, they have to get something from the concession stand. The cost to get in to a game can range from $2-$6.
Being **CRAZY** and having **FUN** are ways in which students get through the **STRESS** of school. These are some of the finer moments at Midway this year. Of course others **GOOF-OFF** more than others. Notice how Luke Helmstetter is in more than one picture.
Events
**Monday:** Seniors dress freshmen
Seniors dress in 70's
Juniors dress in 60's
Sophomores dress in 50's

**Tuesday:** Teacher/Celebrity Day
Freshmen in black & white as servants to seniors

**Wednesday:** Camouflage Day
Freshmen dress like animals

**Thursday:** Pajama Day
Freshmen dress as Power Rangers or Teletubbies

**Friday:** Blue & Red Day

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**NEVER looked so good...**

“I prepared for homecoming by having a talented friend of mine, Lisa Collins, fix my hair and makeup, and give me some moral support. I was so nervous that I doubt I would have got anything looking right. I was really dreading standing in front of a whole bunch of people. Lisa really helped me calm down. Right before the game started I had to speed home and get my corsage. All in all I had a really busy couple of hours before the dance.”

Sarah Burke

“I made Sarah look pretty for the crowning of the king and queen and after I fought with her about painting her fingernails I made myself look decent for the dance.”

Lisa Collins

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Seniors Jenny Boos, Heather Frump, and Melissa Helmstetter plan their strategy for winning the three-legged race.
King and Queen

Jeff Falk
and
Becky Martin

Nathan Bevis
and
Jenny Boos

Luke Helmstetter
and
Sarah Burke

The football guys take a few minutes away from their half-time pep talk to pose with the girls for pictures. This year, junior Nathan Bevis was a candidate because there were only two senior guys.

The newly crowned King, Jeff Falk, crowns the new Queen, Becky Martin.
"I took a shower and got dressed after our game. Then I dried my hair and while I put on my makeup, Amber Kuhnert curled my hair. I put my shoes on and I was done."

Amanda Stevens

"To prepare myself for the crowning I came to school with just a little makeup on. I watched the game and then when my cousin got there she did my hair and makeup and then later, before the crowning, I put my dress on."

Mindee Peuker

"I rushed in doing my hair and makeup, and I barely made it in time. I was nervous from all of the rushing around that I had to do."

Amber Stevens

A group of students show off their best dance moves.

Jacob Lee and Niki Boo are ready to fulfill their duties as crown bearer and flower girl.

Several couples enjoy a slow dance as the night winds down.

Students sit and chat with newly crowned queen, Amber Stevens.
King and Queen
Eric Fuhrman
and
Amber Stevens

Mark Scholz
and
Mindee Peuker

Luke Helmstetter
and
Amanda Stevens

Eric Fuhrman gives Amber Stevens a hug after placing the crown on her head.

The candidates pose for a picture before the boys have to return to their basketball game against St. Joe Christian.
NEVER forget the Cast

Charlie Brown - Matt Pauly
Lucy - Amber Stevens
Linus - Tyler Martin
Patty - Jenny Boos
Snoopy - Laura Albers
Schroeder - Dusty McNett
Marcie - Colby Miner

Snoopy (Laura Albers) flies on his doghouse to find the infamous Red Baron.

"Charles Schultz's imagination, creativity, and simple wisdom have inspired generations and will undoubtedly continue in the generations to come. Who among us has not felt the disappointments and triumphs of Charlie Brown, the bossiness and crabiness of Lucy, or the simple pleasure Linus takes in the security of his blanket? This show is a testament to Schultz's work and life, as well as to the simplicity, wonderment, and magic of childhood. We hope you enjoyed the show as much as we enjoyed putting it together."

-Directors Dana Downs and Dwight Wilcox.

"Since Charles Schultz died recently, I thought it would be a good idea to put on the play for a tribute to him."
- Matt Pauly

"I was glad that we did the play because Charles spent his life drawing and entertaining others, and I thought it was our turn to do that for him."
- Laura Albers

"We didn't find out until the day before rehearsal that we were doing 'You're A Good Man Charlie Brown.' It meant a lot more knowing that we were doing this play in honor of Charles Schultz. After that, it seemed more personal."
- Amber Stevens

The cast and directors from left to right. Front Row: Dwight Wilcox, Dana Downs, Steve Moellerling. Second row: Colby Miner, Jenny Boos, Amber Stevens, Tyler Martin, Matt Pauly, Dusty McNett, Laura Albers.

Lucy (Amber Stevens) gives some help to a depressed Charlie Brown (Matt Pauly).
“You’re A Good Man Charlie Brown”

Linus (Tyler Martin) sings “My Blanket and Me.”

Snoopy (Laura Albers) cheers Schroeder (Dusty McNett) at bat while Lucy (Amber Stevens) gives Charlie Brown (Matt Pauly) some encouragement for his turn at bat.

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Andrea Hensley and Sarah Burke prepare the steps to look like grass.

The Peanuts gang sings and performs the “You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown” scene.

Schroeder (Dusty McNett) and Marcie (Colby Miner) point out a flyball.

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Midway students at this table are Becky Martin, Sarah Burke, Nathan Bevis, Sarah Henry and Jeff Falk. Many of the Midway students had outside dates for Prom.

Juniors Michelle Walsh and Shelly Becker pose for pictures with their dates before Prom.

ALWAYS a good time...

“Everyone looked great and was ready for a good time.”

Ryann Owens

“I had fun getting ready for prom. It was nice to be with my friends and we all had a good time.”

Jennifer Knudson

“Prom was really special for me this year, especially since it was my last one.”

Jennifer Walsh

“I had a good time at prom because I was with my best friends. The girls also looked really good.”

Tim Sanderson

“Prom was fun this year. The dance was a lot of fun.”

Mark Scholz

Senior girls dance to “Time of My Life.”
Take My Breath Away

Sophomore prom servers were Adam Matthias, Jennifer Hamilton, Natalie Merten, Tyler Martin, Angela Boos, Adam Stevens, Andrea Hensley, and Matt Pauly.

Girls kick off their high heels for line dancing. They are joined by a few of the guys.

Program
Welcome........Amber Stevens
Response........Becky Martin
Invocation........Sarah Henry
Prophecies.........Mindee Peuker
Tim Sanderson
Wills............Luke Helmstetter
Closing..........Amber Stevens

Dedicated to our Seniors
Our friends are like angels, who brighten our days.
In all kinds of wonderful, magical ways.
Their thoughtfulness comes, as a gift from above.
And we feel we’re surrounded, by warm, caring love.
Like upside-down rainbows, their smiles bring the sun.
And they fill ho-hum moments, with laughter and fun.
Friends are like angels, without any wings.
Blessing our lives, with the most precious things.

Menu
Tossed Salad
Grilled Chicken
Twice Baked Potatoes
Corn
Dinner Roll
Chocolate Mousse
Tea and Lemonade
Prom 2000


After Prom

Jenny Boos and Beth Lednicky show off their newly acquired sumo wrestling skills.

ALWAYS having fun...

"The coolest thing at After Prom was hanging out with my friends and riding the scooters and playing plinko because it was the only way I could win money."

Lisa Collins

"I had the most fun losing all my money at the craps table and winning it all back from Jerry Boos."

Nick Williams

"I had the most fun watching people beat each other up while sumo wrestling. I also had fun watching the people bid on items for the auction at the end of the night."

Niki Hensley

Amanda Stevens and Michelle Walsh fight to get the lead during the tricycle race.

Playing craps for the majority of the night, Kevin Thompson was able to earn close to $36,000.

Struggling to reach the finish line, Daren Roberts inches forward on his tricycle.

Shelly Becker stops just long enough during the tricycle race to pose for a picture.
The class gathers together before heading home, for one last goodbye at Kalfran lodge.

**Luke Helmstetter** and **Jeff Falk** prepare themselves for the sling-shot ride.

Heather Frump, Jenny Boos, Lisa Collins and Becky Martin wait to be rescued from their stalled boat.

**ALWAYS Remember**

"I will never forget our boat breaking down in the middle of the lake, and waiting FOREVER for someone to come rescue us!"  
Lisa Collins

"I will never forget when my shorts came off while I was tubing! I thought that they would sink, so I was splashing around wildly for them. Then, to top it all off, I had to climb into the boat full of girls, wearing only my tightie-whities!"  
Luke Helmstetter

"I will never forget when Becky climbed onto our balcony and tapped on our window to scare us."  
Melissa Helmstetter

**Lisa Collins** demonstrates a new technique for playing miniature golf!
leather Frump prepares for tubing on the lake.

Niki Hensley enjoys some of Randy's Frozen Custard.

Jeff Falk entertains during some down time at the lodge.

Jenny Boos and Becky Martin.

Memories that will last for the next 2000 years...

Billie Underwood drives her go-kart like a pro, as she tries to stay ahead of the people behind her.

Even though the boat he was piloting for the seniors had to be towed in, Mr. Leatherman seems to be taking it well.

The class goes for the 20's gangster look, in the traditional old-time photo.

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Highland Community College
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Graduation

Valedictorians
Sarah Burke, Amy Halling, Becky Martin

Salutatorian
Jeff Falk

Escorts
Amber Stevens, Amanda Stevens Eric Fuhrman, Brett Miner

Programs
Michelle Walsh, Mark Scholz

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Jim Leatherman, Elden Ninemire

Class Colors
Navy Blue & Yellow

Class Flower
Lily

Musical Selections
"The River" by Garth Brooks "Friends" by Michael W. Smith


Sarah Burke happily receives her diploma from school board member David Boos.

Jennifer Walsh presents her parents with a rose during the song "Because You Love Me" by Jo Dee Messina.

Niki Hensley receives some last minute touches from her mother before the ceremonies begin.
Class Motto

“In life, true friends are hard to find, harder to leave, and impossible to forget!”

Never Forget

“Graduation was an emotional and exciting time for me. Family came that I haven’t seen for seventeen years. I was very happy that I was graduating."

Mike Hensley

“I never thought that graduation would be so emotional and hard to get through as it was. It all seemed to hit me at once that it was the end. Thirteen years of building friendships was over. I am happy and sad at the same time.”

Becky Martin

“Graduation came up really fast. I didn’t feel like I should be up on that stage, but in other ways I was really ready for it. The last thirteen years have been great. I will really miss all my friends, but also look forward to making new ones.”

Jenny Boos

Luke Helmstetter, Melissa Helmstetter and Amy Halling.

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AWARDS NIGHT

CLASSI Awards
Citizenship........Amber Stevens
Leadership.........Jenny Boos
Attitude...............Amanda Stevens
Service................Mindee Peuker
Sportsmanship........Jeff Falk
School Spirit........Laura Albers
Improvement........Dan Earl

Scholarships
PTO - Jennifer Walsh, Jenny Boos and Jeff Falk
Schroeder - Heather Frump
Jerry Baker/Booster Club - Sarah Burke
Weingart - Jeff Falk
Vera Frakes - Jenny Boos
David Wehrle - Jennifer Walsh
Sarah Burke

The senior class is recognized for their accomplishments.

Jeff Falk receives his Scholar/Athlete award.
Becky Martin receives the American Legion Award while Sarah Burke receives honorable mention.
Amy Jones receives her certificate for being nominated as Most Improved.
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| Becky                         | Dillon Tire & Service         |
| Delight yourself in the lord, and He will give you the desires of your heart! Psalm 37:4 |
|                                |                               |
| Love to you,                   |                               |
| Dad, Mom & Tyler               |                               |
|                                |                               |

| Jenny                         |                               |
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| Boos                          |                               |

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To our daughter Billie

Billie

You have made us so proud in all you do. You show your love to us and to others in so many ways. We wish you great success in what is ahead. Please remember we are always here for you.

Underwood

With all our love,
Mom and Dad

Dear Students,

The measure of your success tomorrow hinges on the decisions you make today. We at Cargill AgHorizons heartily commend students who apply themselves to diligent study, hard work, and integrity. Because you are not only shaping your own future, but the future of the world.

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