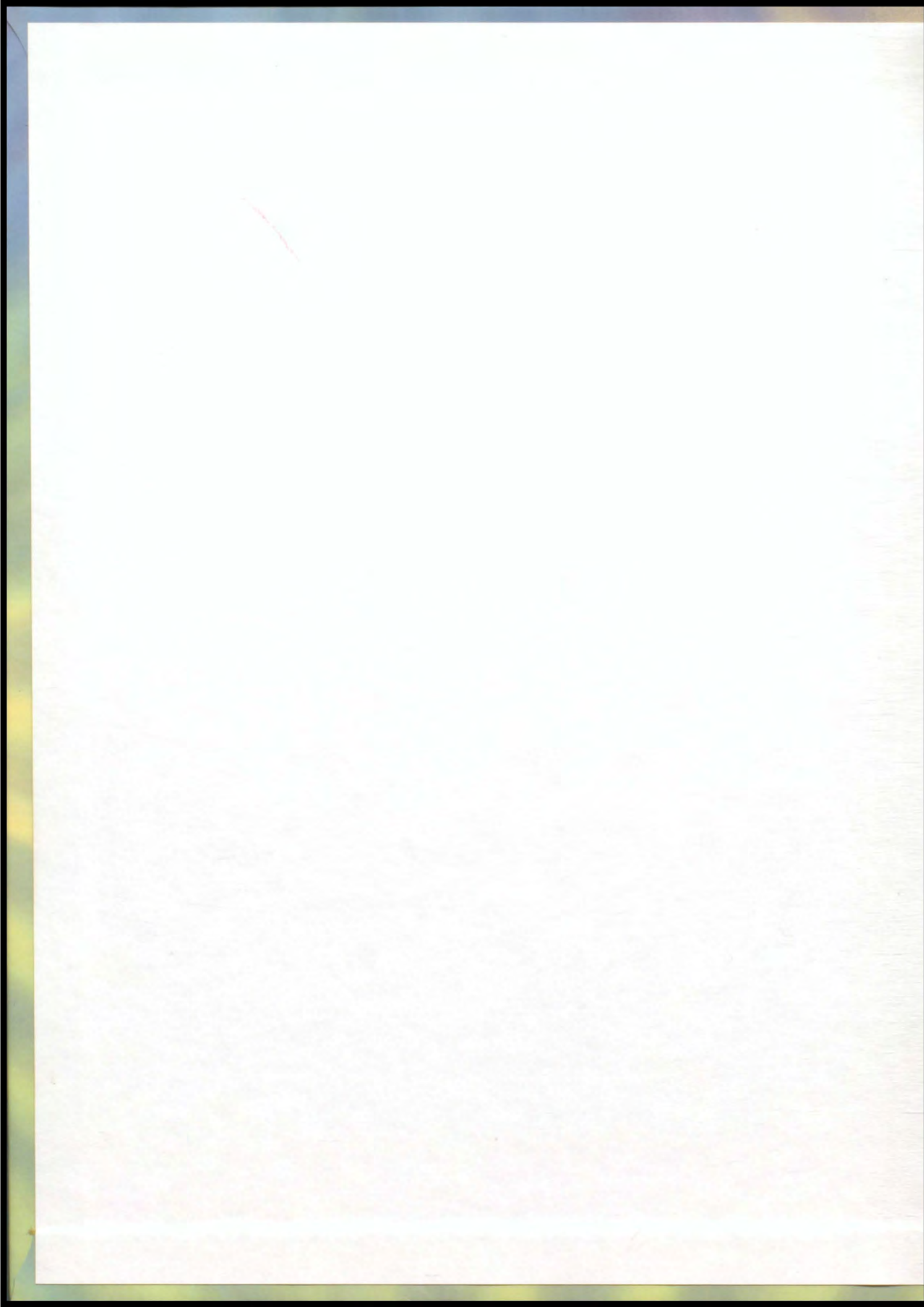


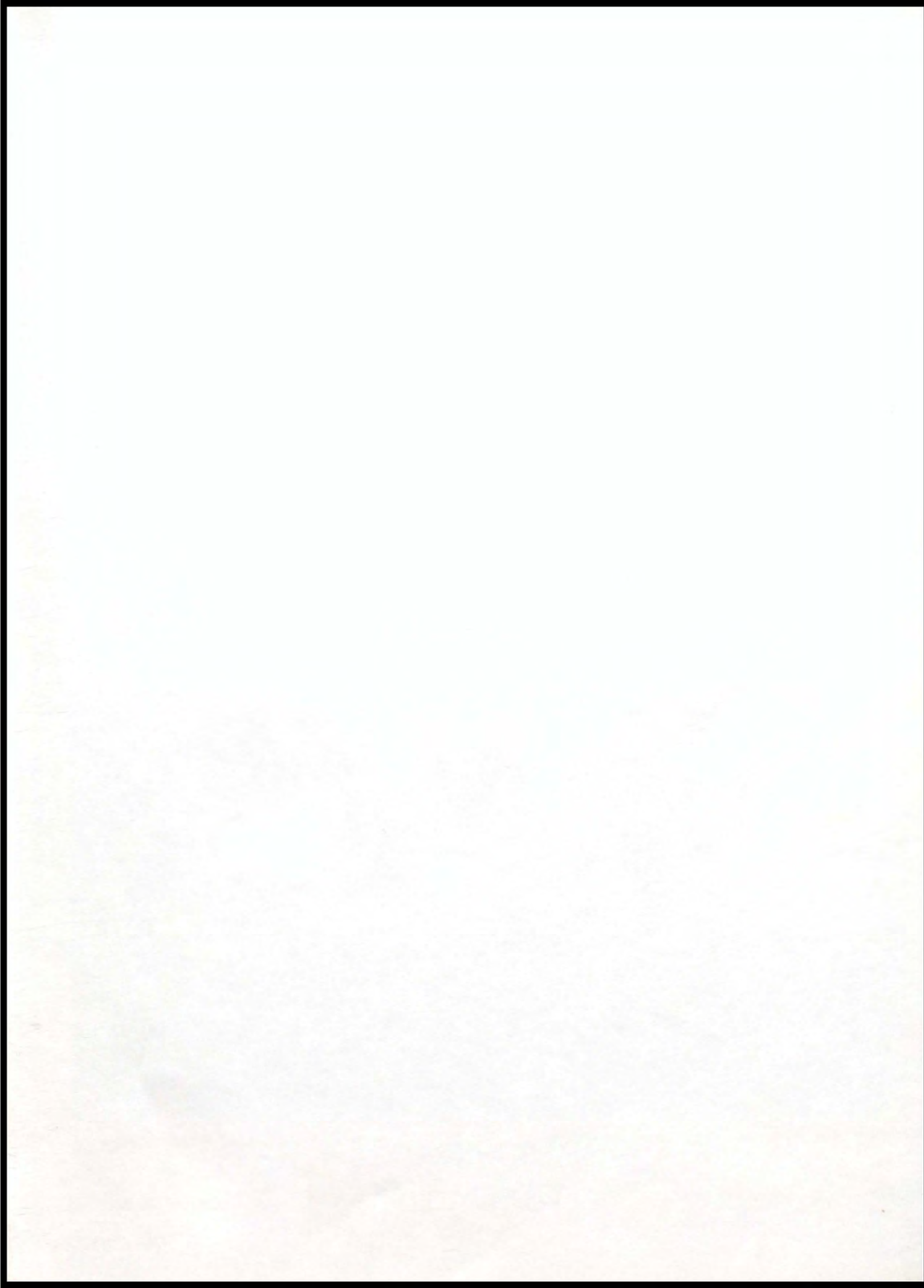


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# *Making a Statement*

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# The Board and Administration

## Taking Care of Business



The Board of Education handles all kinds of school issues, from dress codes to consolidation, while the Administration carries out the Board's decisions.



*Above: The Board of Education Members      President: Bill Hargis*

From left to right, front row: Scott Twombly, Bill Hargis, Sally Waggoner. Back row: Brad Gilmore, Rodney Carwell. Not pictured: Angie Cluck, Mike Blevins. Top: Steve Adams is to be the new Superintendent. Photos by Gerre Martin.



Left: Principal Alan Beck briefly visits the library near the end of a busy day. This is Mr. Beck's first year as principal of the Highland Jr./Sr. High School building. Mr. Beck transferred from Natoma to join the Highland Community. Photo by Kristan Olson.

Below: Joann Karn pauses for a picture during her jam-packed day of school duties. Ms. Karn is in charge of keeping the books accurate for the Highland School District. Photo by Sierra Covert.



Above: Current Superintendent, Pat McAfee. McAfee holds the office of Superintendent for Midway and Highland Schools. McAfee has served for both the Highland and Midway school district for two years. This is McAfee's last year serving as superintendent for Highland Schools. Photo by Lifetouch.



Above: Efficient school secretary Ginger Scott takes a break from her daily duties to ham it up for the camera. Ginger Scott is always busy answering the phone, caring for financial needs, and answering the numerous student questions. Photo by Liz Rivers.



Judy Allen  
 Gary Blanton  
 Angela Christopher  
 Sue Cluck  
 Sharon Collins  
 Yvette Cook

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Robert Daub  
 Angie Eberly  
 Kristy Elrod  
 Scott Fitch  
 Joan Gaither  
 Chris Gibson



Esther Gormley  
 Jason Grider  
 Dennis Hanlon  
 Wesley Hedrick  
 Michael Hill  
 Robin Jones



Julie Dorrell  
 Toni Larson  
 Janet Libel  
 Linda Maris  
 Gerre Martin  
 Mike McCracken



Joy Meyer  
 Katie Moore  
 Angie Neibling  
 Raymond Neibling  
 Marla Olson  
 Donna Parish



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## How was your first year teaching at Highland High School?



*I have enjoyed being a part of the USD 425 faculty, the students have been great, and I can't wait for the many more years to come!*



# Faculty



Carl Swendson teaches his bright-eyed and bushy-tailed freshman Algebra 1. Photo by Jen Purkis.



Above: Mike McCracken ALWAYS makes sure his yearbook students know what they are doing. Photo by Jen Purkis



Above: Ben Gilmore talks to Mrs. Meyer about his English Final. Photo by Jen Purkis



Kris Ramsey  
Marge Rhunke  
Elmer Schmitz  
Laura Schmitz  
Ginger Scott  
Ron Shelton

Jackie Sisk  
Carl Swendson  
Alan Terry  
Ruth Twombly

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Beck, Camille  
Cluck, Miranda  
Ellner, Bryce  
Fee, Josh  
Gilmore, Benjamin  
Harness, Lesley  
Harness, Shane



Holt, Megan  
Hopkins, Billie  
Lackey, Jessica  
Libel, Dustin  
McCauley, Kole  
Miller, Cody  
Nuzum, Evan



Pearson, April  
Solomon, Daniel  
Stewart, Ashley  
Stonebarger, Johnathan  
Sullivan, Lacy  
Throckmorton, Kathleen  
Wigle, Samantha



Zeit, Amanda  
Hopkins, Billy  
Sullivan, Lacy  
Holt, Megan  
Stonebarger, Johnny  
Cluck, Miranda



Hopkins, Billy  
Thockmorton, Kathleen  
Stewart, Ashley  
Gilmore, Ben  
Soloman, Daniel  
Lackey, Jessica & Cluck,  
Miranda  
Lackey, Jessica



# beginning to have an opinion

*Freshman began to  
have an opinion, that  
Seniors shut down.*





# starting to speak-out

*Sophomores begin to start speaking out, but Seniors usually consider this worthless chatter.*



Atkins, Thomas  
Cluck, Brandon  
Donahue, Bailey  
Dorrell, Caley  
Edie, Albert  
Elrod, Lyndsey  
French, Kelly



Fritch, Chelsey  
Gilfillan, Christena  
Keebler, Samantha  
Keller, Kimberly  
Merkel, Clint  
Robinson, Ashley  
Saunders, Josh



Simmons, Meghan  
Smith, Paige  
Soloman, Kevin  
Terry, Brandon  
Watts, Jacolby  
Weis, John  
Wilmes, Allie



Wilmes, Allie  
Terry, Brandon  
Dorrell, Caley  
French, Kelly  
Elrod, Lyndsey  
Simmons, Meghan  
Donahue, Bailey



Terry, Brandon  
Adkins, Thomas  
Cluck, Brandon  
Wilmes, Allie  
Simmons, Meghan  
Terry, Brandon  
Keebler, Sam



Beck, Alana  
 Beaman, Thomas  
 Cattrell, Shannon  
 Green, Travis  
 Holt, Steven  
 Kinkead, Molly  
 Lock, Amber



Moran, Tommy  
 Powell, Aaron  
 Stewart, Angela  
 Tharp, Emily  
 Tilton, Justin  
 Williams, Kenneth  
 Stewart, Angie



Tharp, Emily  
 Tilton, Justin  
 Williams, Kenneth  
 Holt, Steven  
 Green, Travis  
 Lock, Amber  
 Stewart, Angie



Stewart, Angie & Tilton, Justin  
 Williams, Kenneth  
 Beaman, Thomas  
 Tilton, Justin  
 Williams, Kenneth  
 Cattrell, Shannon  
 Holt, Steven



Moran, Tommy  
 Moran, Tommy  
 Lock, Amber  
 Williams, Kenneth  
 Holt, Steven  
 Powell, Aaron  
 Beaman, Thomas



# taking a stand

*Juniors began to take a stand against the mighty Seniors, who they will be next year.*





*Kaleb Erik Caudle  
Justin Alan Clary  
Matthew Edward Cluck*



*Sierra Irene Covert  
Amber Dawn Diveley  
Erin Elizabeth French*



*Brandon Wilbur Geiger  
Caicey Jo Jones  
Michael Allen Kafer*



*Kimberly Nicole  
McCauley  
Walter Brett Neibling  
Eric John Nolte*



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*Kristan Sue Olson  
Victor Ryan Owen  
Cody William Peters*



*Jennifer Susanne  
Purkis  
Brian James Reiter  
Elizabeth Marie  
Rivers*



*Christopher Bradley  
Sullivan  
Heather Marie Terry  
Rachel Ann Wigle*

**making  
a  
statement**

*Throughout the year,  
the Seniors still state  
their minds, no  
matter the  
consequences.*



# Senior Information:

## Class Officers

President: Kimberly McCauley

Vice-President: Justin Clary

Secretary: Brandon Feiger

Treasurer: Amber Diveley

Representative: Sierra Covert



## Class Motto

"Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is not a path and leave a trail."  
--Ralph Waldo Emerson

## Class Flower



Black  
Rose

## Song

"The Unforgiven"  
by  
Metallica

## Class Colors

Black  
and  
Silver



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The Senior class of 2003 began their Highland school days in the Kindergarten trailer outside of the grade school building. The class was split into morning and afternoon. Some of our favorite things to do were the "stations", especially playing house. Everyday, Mrs. Davis would begin the day with the flag salute. Justin felt a bit sick and while we were saying the Pledge of Allegiance, he vomited all over the classroom. This was just the beginning of our classes puking problems. Kindergarten was the best class for most of us because of naptime and snack time. In first grade, we moved on to Ms. Lambert's classroom and gained a new classmate, Erin French. The boys still had cooties at this time, but some new crushes were developing, such as when Matt put a frog down Heather's shirt. While Ms. Lambert was instructing the class on how to make Indian bread, she dropped all of the dough on the floor. In second grade, Mrs. Jeffers was our teacher and Brian Reiter joined our class. We had a few problems with people stealing things so a few of the girls decided to be detectives and get to the bottom of the misbehaving. We would glue pencils to the outside of pencil boxes and wait for the thief (who we never caught). One day during recess Kristan somehow got herself stuck in the mud. No one could get her out so we had to get Mrs. Jeffers and she had to pull her out leaving her boots in the mud. In third grade, Waylon Lippold joined our class. Waylon had a slight accident on the alligator pit and cracked his head open at recess one day. That night the girls had a birthday party at Heather's and teased Caicey about her crush on Waylon. Caicey got so upset she packed her bag and walked to the end of the sidewalk, then realized she couldn't cross the street without someone holding her hand. Also in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade we were old enough to ride the "BIG" teeter-totters on the playground. Heather knows what it's like to fly from the top of them. In fourth grade Mrs. Merkel was our teacher. She had many fun ways to learn and even made up a song to teach us about photosynthesis. Also Michael and Ricky Denow 2 weeks so they began planning their everyone in our class to be in the people shooting ketchup at them. grade so they never got to get married our friends Chris Sullivan were trying to be detectives again Writers Club after the popular TV love note mysteries. Our class also school librarian Mrs. Colley and book festival. It was about a 4 hour were sitting three to a seat. Eric and puked numerous times on the over the bus floor and began splash-soon traveled towards the front of gagging. Caicey smelled the puke herself and a little on her seat bud- Needless to say it was great to fi- grade, the vomiting problems con- eating taco salad, the boys had a eat the most bowls of salsa. Well, Chris ate a little too much and came back into the computer lab and puked all over the floor. In 6<sup>th</sup> grade Mrs. Marsha Twombly took us on our field trip to Exchange City. In Seventh grade, our teacher was Mrs. Whitacre. She always had fun sayings such as "slow boat to China", "Chillens", "there's something rotten in Denmark", and "there's more than one way to skin a cat." Also in 7<sup>th</sup> grade, Eric Purvis left and Andrea Popejoy joined. Eric and Janice dated for a short period of time and were once caught by Cody playing footsie under the table. In eighth grade some unhappy 7<sup>th</sup> graders formed the "I hate Kristan and Kim fan club," and had monthly meetings at the lunch tables. We also took a class trip to Worlds of Fun and had a great time playing truth or dare on the way home. 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation was a great celebration to end the year. Freshman year was a difficult year for our class, starting off with Extravaganza. Our class was involved with the bad extravaganza. Brandon, Eric, Justin and Cody invited a dog to spend the week in their hotel room with them. Everyone was out of their rooms past curfew and had fun hanging out in different rooms. Sophomore year, we had our first Homecoming parade and class float. The theme was "Smoke the Cobras" so we thought we should put a little smoke on our float but ended up being disqualified in the process. Brett, after suffering a slight concussion from a football, game got lost in the school library. Brandon got his famous nickname "Dozer" when he dozed off while driving to football practice at 5:30 a.m. and crashed into a ditch; he wasn't even late for practice. Junior year, Paige Oglesby joined our class. The parking lot became a bit dangerous when Caicey and Brandon hit and Mike backed into Heather. Kristan also scraped her green car by running into the pole by the parking lot. On the way home from an FFA, trip Justin and Lucas Keebler somehow convinced Brandon to moon a car. Mr. Schmitz found out and he had to do a little community service. Senior year, we have seemed to grow up because we haven't been in trouble nearly as much. Michael had a slight accident in Ag and ended up catching his pants on fire. We somehow made it through the difficult task of Senior Project. Janice and Michael left our class halfway through the year. Erin had a horrible car wreck and ended up breaking a leg and crushing an ankle; we had to mourn the loss of Erin's car Suzie. She was out of school for a few weeks and everyone visited her at the hospital and when she came home. We all enjoyed taking turns racing Erin in her wheelchair. We went on Senior Sneak to Galveston after Senior Project was over. One of the most fond memories was Justin, Brandon, Eric, Cody, and Brett surprising the girls at the pool by wearing 70's ultra short swimming trunks. Fun games like tag, Marco Polo, and throwing Mr. Beck's footballs at each other were played. Justin, Eric, and Brandon also wore overalls, pearl snap shirts and their aviator sunglasses when the class went deep-sea fishing. Congratulations Seniors!



Most of the Senior Class of 2003 their 3rd grade year.

had been dating for about wedding. They wanted wedding; it even included But sadly, Ricky left in 4<sup>th</sup> ried. In fifth grade we and Eric Nolte. The girls and formed the Ghost show. They solved basic took a field trip with our Principal Mr. Clary to a bus ride and many of us Purvis was not feeling well bus. The puke was all ing off feet and coolers. It the bus and people began and then threw up on dies Erin and Amber. nally get off the bus. Sixth tinued with Chris. After contest to see who could

# Senior History:

Story by Kim McCauley.



# Most Likely To...



...get married.



...follow the fashion trends.



...have the most children.



...be an entrepreneur.



...take over the family business.



...solve world peace.



...be rich.



...marry a farmer/be a farmer.



...follow their career.



...leave Highland.



...stay in Highland.



These pages by Sierra Covert.

...Justin puked during the flag salute.

...we created the ghost writers' club.

...Erin and Heather would always kick Mike and Brett.

...Extravaganza... enough said.

...Matt put a frog down Heather's shirt.

...Chris puked in 6th grade after saying "I think I ate too much."

...Eric Purvis puked on the bus trip after drinking his cooler ice.

...Caicey puked after seeing Eric puke.

...Janice drove down the wrong way on a street in Atchison during drivers ed.

...Ms. Lambert dropped the bread she was teaching us how to make.

...Sierra and Caicey would fight in the locker room.

...Michael caught on fire in Ag.

...Andrea Popejoy running into a parked car on her bike.

...Caicey had multiple car wrecks.

...Heather Hertel tried to steal horses.

...Waylon cracked his head open on the alligator pit.

...Mike hit Heather's car in the school parking lot.

...Caicey and Brandon wrecked in the school parking lot.

...the football team won 9 games in 4 years.

...Brett got lost in the library.

...the hamster got out and was found in the lunchroom.

...we had to have Freshman evaluations.

...Barn warming activities

...our class got disqualified Freshmen year for having smoke/fire on our float during homecoming.

...Dozer mooning a car on a FFA trip.

...we had to do Pride Clean-up.

...Trip to Texas

...Erin had her car wreck.

...Kristan hit the famous school post.

...at the girls' slumber parties always having to watch Now & Then and Varisty Blues.

...the boys tried to see who could eat the most bowls of salsa.

...we supposedly played chicken during Pride Clean-up.

...Waylon walked past the air conditioner with glue and got it all over himself.

...spending time at the mouth of the wolf.

...the winkies showing Ms. Cook their creative side during the musical.

# Seniors' I remember when...



# Sports:

## making a statement

Cross Country  
20&21

Volleyball  
22&23

Football  
24&25

Cheerleading  
26&27

Boys' Basketball  
28&29

Girls' Basketball  
30&31



Track  
32&33

These pages by Sierra Covert



# CROSS COUNTRY

"There are clubs you can't belong to, neighborhoods you can't live in, schools you can't get into, but the roads are always open." - Nike



Amber Diveley

"It was an honor to be able to spend my senior year with the awesome people on the cross country team. I'm really sad to be leaving these memories behind. I'll miss you Highland!"

## Fond Memories



Front Row: Allie Wilmes, Molly Kinkead, Jessica Lackey, Chelsea Fritch, Amber Diveley  
Back Row: Brandon Terry, Caley Dorrell, and Tommy Moran. Photo by Jostens.



Above: Amber Diveley and Tommy Moran discuss post meet plans. Photo by Angie Stewart



Center: Caley Dorrell takes off from the starting line, competing for the satisfaction of beating the other team. Photo by Angie Stewart

Right: Amber Diveley, after her run, hangs out with her best friend Kim McCauley and the parental units. Photo by Angie Stewart





Above: Brandon Terry and Aunt Robin walk to the bus after an awesome meet at Troy. Photo by Angie Stewart

Left: Kim McCauley joins her best buds in cross country: Amber Diveley, Tommy Moran, and Caley Dorrell. Photo by Angie Stewart



## Cross Country

Runners	Medals Won
Tommy Moran	15th, 7th, 45th, 10th, 4th, 25th, 40th, 48th, 1st Team All County
Brandon Terry	18th, 8th, 54th, 12th, 6th, 28th, 62nd, 1st Team All County
Caley Dorrell	30th, 37th, 15th, 12th, 32nd, 65th, 71st, 2nd Team All County
Allie Wilmes	2nd, 1st, 22nd, 4th, 5th, 13th, 10th, 21st, 1st Team All County
Molly Kinkead	8th, 2nd, 41st, 11th, 14th, 17th, 23rd, 45th, 1st Team All County
Amber Diveley	36th, 28th, 6th, 9th, 15th, 21st, 34th, 1st Team All County
Chelsey Fritch	46th, 31st, 3rd, 13th, 8th, 51st, 99th, Honorable Mention All County
Jessica Lackey	7th, 3rd, 36th, 19th, 46th, 2nd team all county

"Run Forest Run!" Molly Kinkead and Jessica Lackey in a grueling battle to the finish. Way to go girls! Photo by Angie Stewart



# VOLLEYBALL



Senior players make a stand on the court.



This year Highland had two players honored for their outstanding performance at the league and county levels. Sierra Covert received Honorable mention All-County. Kristan Olson was named Unanimous First Team All-County and Honorable Mention All-League. Both Olson and Covert played in the Northeast Kansas All-Star Volleyball game.

## Awards



Back Row: Julie Moran, Assistant Coach, Marla Olson, Head Coach. Third Row: Paige Smith, Ashley Stewart, Angie Stewart, Megan Holt, Bailey Donahue, Meghan Simmons. Second Row: Kelly French, manager, Jen Purkis, manager, Christena Gilfillan, Samantha Keebler, Amanda Zeit, Lyndsey Elrod, Erin French, Manager. Front Row: Kristan Olson, Sierra Covert, Kimberly McCauley, Heather Terry. Photo by Lifetouch

## Volleyball Times

Megan Holt spikes the ball as Sierra Covert goes over for block coverage. Photo by Tommy Moran



Who's the Daddy? Angie Stewart and Kim McCauley play expecting mommies on the bus home from regionals. Photo by Jen Purkis



The varsity starting line up warms up before their game at regionals. Photo by Jen Purkis



These pages by Tommy Moran.

# Record

## Top Ten Matches Chosen by Seniors

	Us	Them
Troy	15	10
Elwood	15	9
Maranatha	15	10
McClouth	15	7
Wathena	15	10
Elwood	15	3
Harmon	15	12
Kickapoo	15	1
Turner	17	15
Oskaloosa	16	14

WINS 8 - LOSSES 21

Below: The Volleyball team relaxes after they finished playing their final game of the season at regionals in Axtell. Photo by Wayne Olson.



Far Left: The senior girls line up at regionals before their last game together in high school. Photo by Jen Purkis

Left: Kristan Olson and Ashley Stewart laugh after a good play at regionals in Axtell. Photo by Jen Purkis



Above Left: Heather Terry, Angie Stewart and Kim McCauley prepare to pass the ball to the setter. Above Center: Ashley Stewart jumps in the air to spike the ball down in the Trojan territory. Above Right: McCauley bumps the ball as teammates Terry and Sierra Covert move into block coverage. Photos by Tommy Moran



# FOOTBALL

**20 HILLS, 5 ROUND-ABOUTS, 2-A-DAYS, AND CIRCUIT TRAINING: THESE ARE THE TIMES THAT TRY MEN'S SOULS.**

## Bluestreak Football Team

Back Row: Matt Cluck, Brian Reiter, Thomas Beaman, Justin Tilton, Victor Owen. Second Row: Kaleb Caudle, Cody Peters, Eric Nolte, Justin Clary, Brandon Geiger. Third Row: Brandon Cluck, Kevin Solomon, Brett Neibling, Steven Holt, Clint Merkel. Fourth Row: Dusty Libel, Ben Gilmore, Josh Saunders, Kole McCauley, Josh Fee. First Row: Camille Beck, Cody Miller, Bryce Ellner, Bryson Cluck. Photo by Lifetouch.



Brian Reiter hands the football to Cody Peters while running quick trap. The football team ran quick trap when in need of a first down.



Football Boys discuss plans for the upcoming game against Kickapoo Nation. The boys slaughtered the Warriors in a halftime defeat of 60-12. Photo by Angela Stewart.



The defensive line holds their own against the St. Mary's Crusaders.

Steven Holt, Thomas Beaman, Justin Tilton, Kaleb Caudle, and Victor Owen enjoy a meal prepared by their parents before the Kickapoo game. Photo by Kristan Olson.



# football

## VARSITY

	Us	Them
Hanover	44	40
Axtell	20	46
North Andrew	18	20
Topeka Cair Paravel	60	28
St. Mary's Acadmy	24	40
Union Star	50	46
Bern	08	54
Midway	20	36
Kickapoo	60	12



Above: Brian Reiter runs the football while Victor Owen blocks. Josh Saunders hustles to lead the blocking scheme.

Pictured in collage clockwise: Brian Reiter, Justin Tilton, Thomas Beaman, Jason Grider, Dusty Libel, Cody Peters, Brandon Cluck, Matt Cluck, Justin Clary and varsity team during huddle.



# CHEERLEADING

**Bluestreaks, lets go lets go, Bluestreaks - lets go!**

Cheerleading...more than just Friday night games. The H.H.S. cheerleaders started their "season" early in the summer by performing a routine at the annual Cancer Walk. Next, the cheerleaders headed off to Kansas City to perform at the Chiefs halftime show. Thanks to the cheerleaders and the newly formed Pep Club, school spirit has dramatically increased.

Cheerleaders L-R: Front Row: Angela Stewart, Ashley Stewart. Second Row: Samantha Keebler, Paige Smith, Chelsey Fritch, Allie Wilmes. Third Row: Christena Gilfillan, Emily Tharp, Jessica Lackey.

Photo by Lifetouch



*"It has been fun to watch the cheerleaders grow together as a squad. I enjoy their humor and was impressed by their hard work and dedication."*

**Coach Kelly Twombly**

Photo by Amber Lock

## What's your **POINT?**

What was your  
**FAVORITE**  
part of  
cheerleading  
this year?



*"In the past, we have not had the opportunity to attend camp or do fund-raisers in order to pay for various items, but this has all changed. I enjoyed working hard the entire summer. We attended camp for the first time, and were able to participate in fundraisers that helped bring our squad together."*

Photo by Kim McCauley **Angela Stewart**



These pages by Amber Lock

# Go Streaks!



The Squad takes a break to take a picture with some of the other fans at the game.



Be Afraid, Be Very Afraid! The Cheerleaders take off their beautiful smiles, for a "gangsta" picture.



Emily Tharp attempts to feed Molly Kinkead. Photos by Sierra Covert



Posing in their windsuits, the cheerleaders take a picture for the Highland Vidette.



The Cheerleaders say "I Love Rock&Roll" while taking their ending pose. Photo by Sierra Covert



"We made a lot of memories on the bus rides home."  
-Paige Smith  
Photo by Ashley Stewart



Emily Tharp braves the cold, wearing her stylish Bluestreak headband. Photo by Sierra Covert



Angie Stewart and her squad entertains the crowd at the 4th of July celebration.



# BOYS BASKETBALL

Dribble It, Pass It, make that Basket!!



Cody Peters

"This year was a good year. We had a new coach who added a little bit of spice to the season. I would have to say that it was a fun and memorable experience that I will take with me for the rest of my life."

Cody Peters recieved Second Team All County, and played in the NEK All-Star game.



Front Row, L-R: Jacolby Watts, Kole McCauley, Benjamin Gilmore, Dustin Libel. Middle Row: Taylor Twombly, manager; Brandon Cluck, Justin Clary, Cody Miller, Cody Peters, Clint Merkel, Brandon Geiger. Back Row: Kevin Solomon, Eric Nolte, Matt Cluck, Justin Tilton, Victor Owen, Steven Holt, Brett Neibling. Photo by Lifetouch.



Above: Cody Peters looks down the court as the other players set up the next play. Photo by Amber Lock



Middle Picture: Justin Clary looks to pass as a Trojan defender blocks his view. Photo by Erin French.



Right: Matt Cluck dribbles the ball past a Midway defender for an open shot. Photo by Erin French



# Basketball

WINS 4 - LOSSES 16

	Us	Them
Horton	41	48
McClouth	46	82
Troy	46	57
Wathena	46	57
Polo	61	33
KSD	45	33
Midway	40	36
Horton	45	53
Elwood	42	48
Oskaloosa	49	77

The team gathers around Coach Twombly as he explains a new play to them. He gave them the confidence to try new things in the first season of his coaching. Photo by Sierra Covert



Far Left: The Highland team runs a zone offense that is designed to keep the defense on their toes. Photo by Tommy Moran.

Left: Justin Clary runs into the Midway man after he passed the ball to another opponent. Photo by Sierra Covert.



# GIRLS BASKETBALL

## Holding the Rope!



### Coaches Happy with Improvement

I thought we improved on every aspect of the game by the end of the season. I couldn't have asked for a harder working group of girls at practice as well as in games. My most memorable game was at the Elwood tourney when we beat Midway to get into the Championship.- Jason Grider



Above: Front Row l-r: Amanda Zeit, Lyndsey Elrod 2nd Row l-r: Allie Wilmes, Kim McCauley, Ashley Stewart, Meghan Simmons Back Row: Jason Grider, Head Coach; Morgan Twombly, manager, Molly Kinkead, Kristan Olson, Kelly French, Chelsey Fritch, Angie Stewart; Erin French, manager; Marla Olson, Assistant Coach Photo by Lifetouch



Above: Kinkead dribbles as Stewart posts up strong as Highland runs away with another victory over Midway. Photo by Sierra Covert



Stewart drives around a defender for two. Photo by Sierra Covert



Kinkead hits a jumpshot over an Oskaloosa defender. Photo by Sierra Covert



These pages by: Steven Holt and Kenneth Williams

# Record

	Us	Them
McLouth	32	34
Elwood	49	30
Midway	42	39
KCC	17	27
Oskaloosa	43	46
McLouth	20	39
J. Heights	31	49
Valley Falls	30	40
Midway	25	22
Bishop Seabury	51	24

**WINS 5 - LOSSES 16**



Olson, Stewart, and McCauley set screens allowing Ashley Stewart to take the open three. Photo by Steven Holt



Far Left: McCauley looks for an open pass to a post player as Zeit sets a screen. Photo by Sierra Covert

Left: Stewart steals a pass and heads down the court for a layup as defenders pursue. Photo by Sierra Covert



Left: Stewart takes it strong to the basket over the Indian opposition. Center: Highland girls huddle up during a time-out. Right: Stewart takes the ball out of bounds. Photos by Steven Holt

# TRACK & FIELD

Leave The Competition Behind.

Below: Chelsey Fritch helps Allie Wilmes stretch her hamstring in preparation for her two mile race. Stretching is very important to avoid injury. Photo by Steven Holt



Even though our track team was small this year, we were still able to accomplish a lot at the bigger meets and improve throughout the season.

**Sierra Covert  
Co-Captain**

Below: Back Row l-r: Boys Coach Elmer Schmitz, Tommy Moran, Molly Kinkead, Cody Miller, Dusty Libel, Brandon Terry, Caley Dorrell, Girls Coach Angie Eberly Middle Row l-r: Allie Wilmes, Jessica Lackey, Ashley Stewart, Paige Smith, Chelsey Fritch, Kole McCauley, Bailey Donahue Front Row l-r: Ben Gilmore, Amanda Zeit, Cody Peters, Sierra Covert, Amber Diveley. Photo by Irene Covert.



Above Left: Caley Dorrell practices getting his steps so he can achieve a new personal best in the long jump. Above Right: Ben Gilmore heaves the javelin with all his might. Below Right: Tommy Moran prepares to turn on the jets and blow by an unexpected contender during the 4x800 meter relay. Photos by Steven Holt.

Above: Amanda Zeit was the only runner from Highland to make it to state this year. Zeit placed second at regionals in the 1600 meter run and tenth at state.

**Regional Participants:** Cody Peters, Amber Diveley, Sierra Covert, Molly Kinkead, Tommy Moran, Allie Wilmes, Chelsey Fritch, Ben Gilmore, Dusty Libel, Jessica Lackey, Ashley Stewart, Amanda Zeit - 2nd, 1600M  
**State Participant:**  
 Amanda Zeit - 10th, 1600M - 5:48



Place	1	2	3	Place	1	2	3
<b>Boys</b>				<b>Girls</b>			
Ben Gilmore				Amber Diveley			
4x800	1	1	2	4x800	2		1
4x400		1		1600 M			1
4x100			1	3200 M		2	
800M			1	Chelsey Fritch			
Dusty Libel				Javlin		2	2
4x800	1	1	2	Shotput			1
4x400		1		Discus			1
4x200		1		Molly Kinkead			
3200 M	1			4x800	2	1	2
Cody Peters				4x400	3	1	
4x800	1	1	2	800 M	3	1	1
4x400		1		Jesica Lackey			
4x200		1		4x800		1	1
4x100			1	4x400	3	1	
400 M		1		400 M			1
Tommy Moran				Ashley Stewart			
4x800	1	1	2	4x800	1		
4x400		1		4x400	3	1	
Bradon Terry				400 M		1	1
4x200			1	Allie Wilmes			
Kole McCauley				4x800	1	1	2
4x200				3200 M	2	2	
4x100		1	1	1600 M		1	
Cody Miller				Amanda Zeit			
4x100			1	4x800	2	1	2
				4x400	3	1	
				1600 M	1	4	4
				Pole Vault			1
				school record: 5'6"			

# MEDALS

Below: Amanda Zeit hands the baton off to Molly Kinkead during the 4x800 meter relay. The team went on to win the race. Photo by Steven Holt.



Far Left: Amanda Zeit runs hard around the corner during the 4x400 meter relay. Middle Left: Cody Peters finishes his leg of the 4x800 meter relay. Left: Dusty Libel sprints to the finish line after pulling into first place in the 4x800 meter relay at the Doniphan County Meet. The girls' team won the 4x800 meter relay and broke the county record. Photos by Steven Holt.



Above Far Left: Kim McCauley helps make the Highland Meet a success by volunteering her time to record placings. Above Left: Ashley Stewart holds her lead over a Troy runner as she runs around the curve. Above Right: Allie Wilmes struggles to keep up the pace in order to achieve a new best time. Above Far Right: Chelsey Fritch winds up and prepares to fire the javelin into the sky. Photos by Steven Holt.



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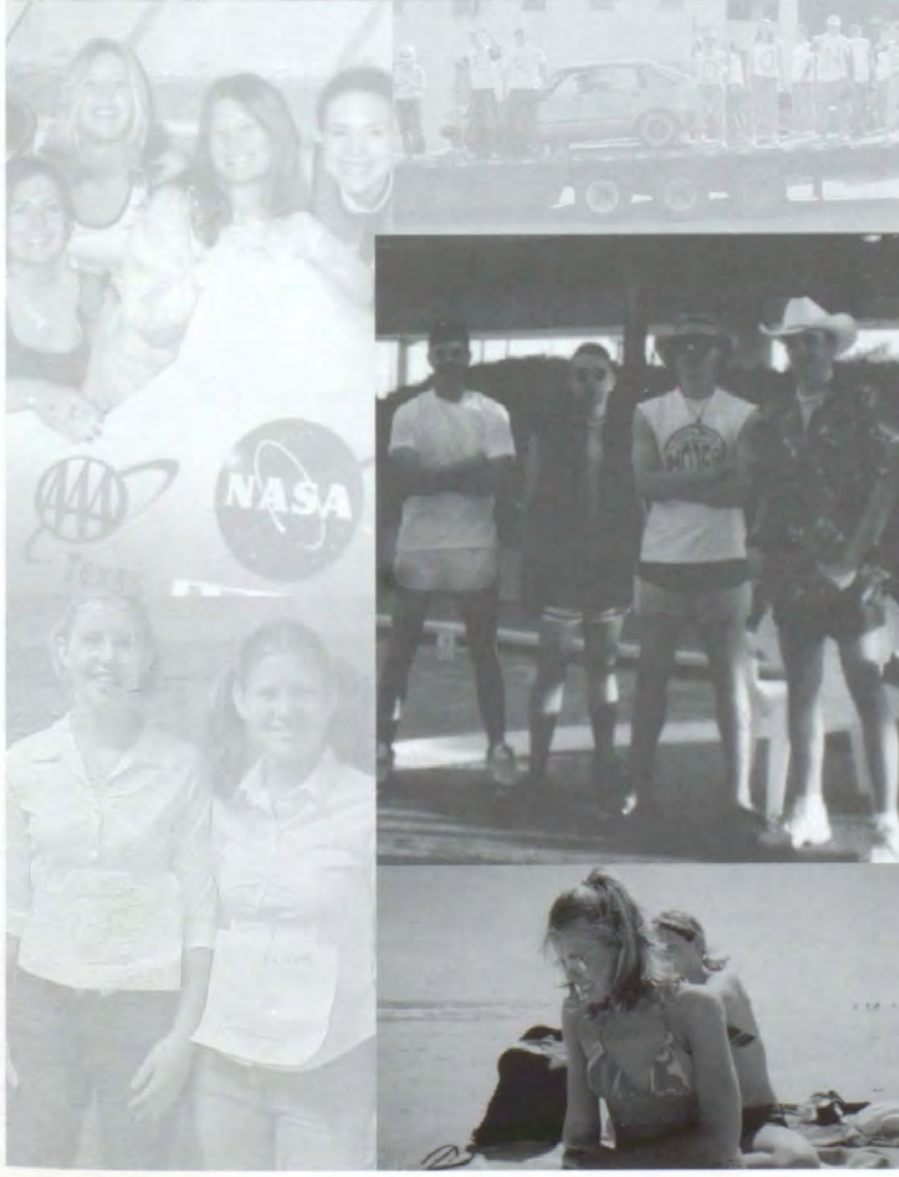
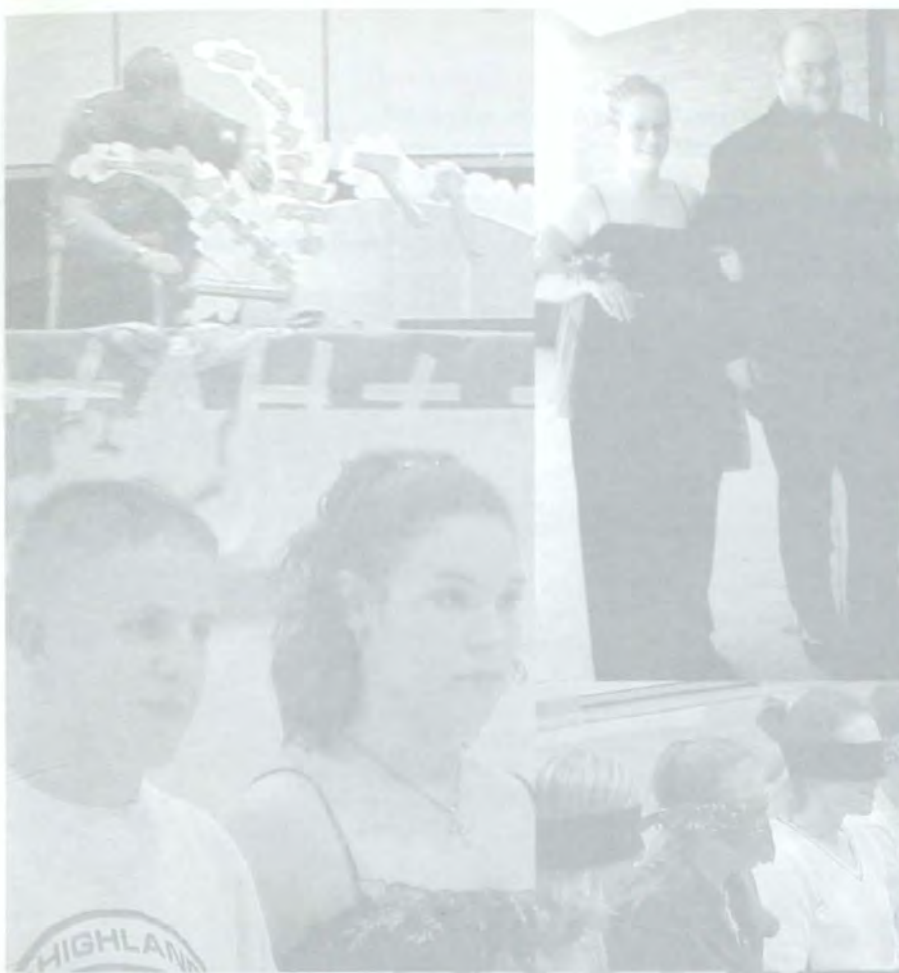
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# Homecoming

2002

## Friends Now and Always

A week of spirit, theme days, and class competitions were capped off by the football game against St. Mary's Academy and the crowning of the King and Queen. Following the game was a dance.

Homecoming Candidates 2002: l-r Caicey Jones, Cody Peters, Kim McCauley, Brandon Geiger, Amber Diveley, Matt Cluck Photo by Tommy Moran



Angela Stewart escorts Kylee Powell, flower bearer, and Dakota Ellis, crown bearer, during the halftime festivities of the Homecoming football game.  
Photo by Tommy Moran



Above right: Candidates with King and Queen Cody Peters and Kim McCauley in center.  
Photo by Tommy Moran

Below right: Students enjoy some R&R during the homecoming dance following a hard fought battle on the gridiron.  
Photo by Marla Taylor



Right: Angie Stewart and Amber Lock head up the junior class as they prepare to conquer their opponents. Below Right: Twins Kristan Olson and Caicey Jones.

Below: Jan and Jen in their matching garb and matching personalities. Photo by Kenneth C. Williams

Twins Allie Wilmes and Chelsey Fritch display their matching feet during Spirit Week.



Far Above: Cheerleaders Chelsey Fritch, Paige Smith, Angie Stewart, Samantha Keebler, Jessica Lackey, Allie Wilmes, Ashley Stewart, Emily Tharp, and Christena Gilfillan hang out at the dance. Photo by Marla Taylor

Ashley Stewart and Kristan Olson dance to the beat of "Back that Thang Up" during the Homecoming dance.

Above: Thomas Beaman enjoys double the action, double the fun with Kim McCauley and Amber Diveley

High school students display hours of labor spent to complete the breathtaking floats featured in class order to the right.



# King and Queen of Courts

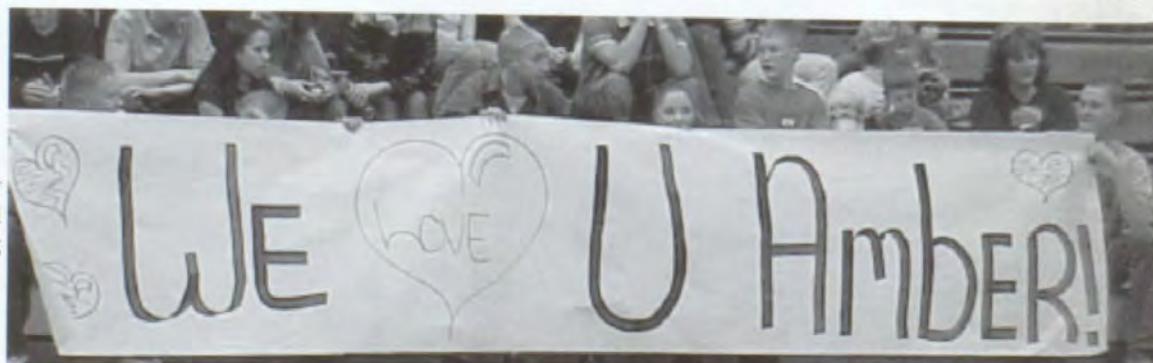
Amber Diveley and Kristan Olson help dress their boys up. Surprisingly, Brian Reiter was the only guy who had problems getting the dress on correctly!

The candidates show up in nice dresses and Highland Hoops T-Shirts. Those who were crowned were Amber Diveley and Justin Clary. The theme was "Be Mine."



Above: Kim McCauley directs the flower girl and crown bearer to king, Justin Clary. Right Diagonal: The King and Queen pose with the other candidates.

Fans of Amber Diveley show their love and confidence in winning Queen of Courts.



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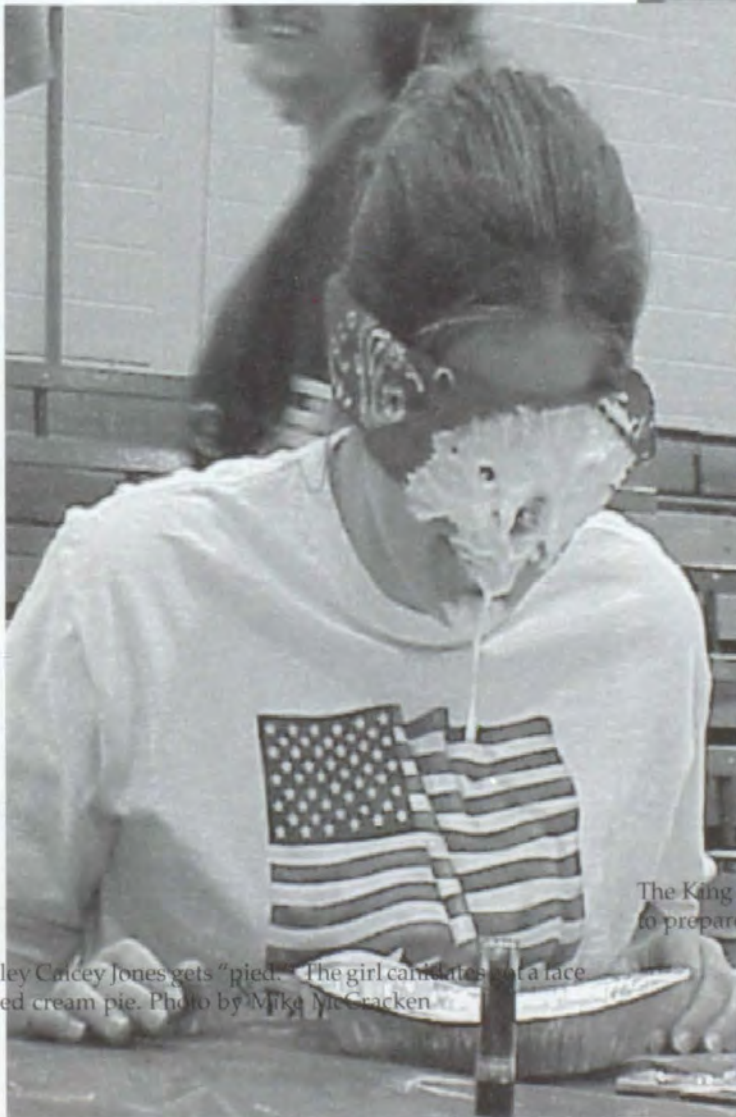


Left: Kristan and Brian prepare to walk across the "eggs" laid down by the pep club.

Below: Way to go Caicey and Eric! The wheel barrow race was fun, fun, fun, for all!



Can we say Diva?! Justin gets to dress up in a feather boa, make-up, and a red bandana.



At the pep rally Caicey Jones gets "pied." The girl candidate got a face full of whipped cream pie. Photo by Mike McCracken



The King and Queen take their walk of fame down the basketball court to prepare to end the game.



# Senior Sneak

■ ■ ■ ■ Ya'll ■ ■ ■ ■

## Galveston, TX

The Seniors this year enjoyed a fine trip to Texas, where they visited NASA, Six Flags, Joe's Crab Shack, and the sandy beaches of Galveston. Mr. Beck enjoyed nursing an injury after a spectacular football catch on the beach.

Below: Eric Nolte, Brandon Geiger, and Justin Clary attempt to mingle with the local folks as they display the newest fashion trend including overalls, pearl snap shirts, and aviator sunglasses. Photo by Kimberly McCauley.



Above: Back Row: Sierra Covert, Kristan Olson, Kim McCauley, Caicey Jones Front Row: Amber Diveley, Erin French, Liz Rivers. Photo by: Reckless Tourist.

Right: Kim McCauley mockingly pukes off the side of the tour boat. Photo by: Kristan Olson.



Below: Kristan Olson celebrates her birthday at Joe's Crab Shack  
Photo by Kim McCauley.



Below: Kim McCauley, Kristan Olson, Caicey Jones, and Sierra Covert gather around the space shuttle at the NASA space center.  
Photo by Alan Beck.



Below: Brett Neibling gets a feel for the local style by showing off his new cowboy hat which goes well with his Hawaiian shirt.  
Photo by Kim McCauley.



Below: Senior boys take a break from rushing around to stop and pose for the camera.  
Photo by Kim McCauley.



Above: Tour guide, bus driver, and close personal friend Juan.  
Photo by Alan Beck.

Above: Brandon Geiger and Eric Nolte narrowly avoid a catastrophic collision during Driving:101.  
Photo by Alan Beck.

Far Above: Justin Clary and Cody Peters are tingly with anticipation as the rollercoaster takes off at Six Flags.  
Photo by Alan Beck.

Above: Justin Clary, Brandon Geiger, Cody Peters, Brett Neibling, and Eric Nolte check out the beach in Galveston.  
Photo by Alan Beck.



# PROM

## A Night in New Orleans

After four long days, four rolls of paper and a truck load of tape, the Junior Class was able to complete their decorative theme. The Seniors were impressed with the simple elegance of the design. For After-Prom, the Juniors and Seniors were bussed to the St. Joseph YWCA, for swimming and games.



Above: The Junior Class poses for a group picture after four long days of decorating. Now that the hard part is over, it is time for the workers to get all "prettied-up!" Photo by Angie Stewart.

Below: The junior class all help to hang the giant mask that was used for the couple and group pictures. It took lots of teamwork to make the mask stand the right way. Photo by Angie Stewart.



Below: Kenneth Williams and Jennifer Purkis grace the crowd with their presence as they walk into the high school. Photo by Angie Stewart.



Above: Amber Lock and Alana Beck position one of the lamps used to decorate. Photo by Angie Stewart.



Above: Justin Tilton shows off his skills by walking the broom around the gym. Photo by Angie Stewart.



Above: Amber Lock and Aaron Powell at prom pose for the camera. Photo by Angie Stewart.

These pages by Erin French.

Below, L-R: Molly Kinkead, Kristan Olson, Angie Stewart, Kimberly McCauley, and Caicey Jones pose for a group shot. Photo by Kimberly McCauley.



Left: Angie Stewart gazes into Justin Tilton's eyes as they dance to "Fool's Rush In" by Elvis. Photo by Angie Stewart.

Below: Chris Sullivan, Christena Gilfillan, and Brian Reiter entertain themselves with the decorations at the beginning of the dance. Photo by Erin French



Left: The Senior class poses for one last groupshot. Photo by Lifetouch.



Left: The Junior class smiles for the camera. After a long four days of decorating, the Juniors are glad to be done. Photo by Lifetouch.

Above: Brett Neibling jams to the music as on-lookers point and stare. Photo by Angie Stewart.



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These pages by Sierra Covert.



# NHS / QUIZ BOWL

Is that your final answer?



Above Top & Middle: NHS members meet to discuss future community service projects. Photo by Kenneth Williams  
Above Bottom: New NHS members hold candles at the initiation ceremony. Photo by Vanetta Geiger



Left: Brandon Geiger lights the candle of service as Sierra Covert looks on. This ceremony began at Highland in 1980 under the advisement of Ted Hutchcraft. Photo by Vanetta Geiger

Right: Tommy Moran, Brandon Geiger, and Amber Diveley stand behind the candles of scholarship, service, and leadership with the candle of character yet to be lit. Photo by Kim McCauley



Left: Senior members of NHS this year were: Sierra Covert, Brett Neibling, Brandon Geiger, Amber Diveley, and Heather Terry. Photo by Kim McCauley



Front row l-r: Alana Beck, Molly Kinkead, Amber Lock, Allie Wilmes, Clint Merkel, Brandon Cluck. Middle Row l-r: Steven Holt, Tommy Moran, Angie Stewart, Christena Gilfillan, Kelly French. Back Row l-r: Brandon Geiger, Brett Neibling, Sierra Covert, Heather Terry, Amber Diveley, Josh Saunders

## Academically Oriented Groups Highly Successful for the Year

The National Honor Society performed their annual induction ceremony January 13, 2003. Eight new members were inducted this year; three juniors and five sophomores. The NHS also met several times to discuss future plans to perform community service projects. It is a goal of this esteemed organization to stay active in the community.

The Quiz Bowl this year had meets at: Highland, Wathena, Midway, Horton, HCC, and Washburn University in Topeka (Hi-Q). The team placed ninth at HCC, third at Highland, and fifth of all 1A schools at Hi-Q. Although the team never won a meet, each member competed well in their specific areas of expertise to form a strong and successful team.

These pages by Kenneth Williams and Steven Holt



Above Left: Quiz Bowl Coach Julie Kirschbaum-Dorrell explains to team members Holt and Beck how to solve a specific type of math problem for future questions. Photo by Megan Holt.

Above Right: Junior Varsity team members solve a math problem as Terry attempts to use mental math. Photo by Kenneth Williams.



Left: Varsity Quiz Bowl members calculate an algebra problem at the Highland Meet. The team went on to grab third place. Photo by Alana Beck.



Below Left: Varsity Quiz Bowl team ponders the answer to the eternal question: What really is  $6 \times 7$ ? Photo by Steven Holt



Above: A popular form of quiz bowl member entertainment, the younger novice Nuzum challenges the heavy favorite Terry to a game of 3-5-7. Photo by Kenneth Williams

### Quiz Bowl Team

Left: Front Row l-r: Tommy Moran, Evan Nuzum, Alana Beck, Megan Holt  
Back Row l-r: Steven Holt, Caley Dorrell, Brett Neibling, Brandon Terry. Photo by Kenneth Williams



# Journalism/Stuco

STEPPING UP TO A CHALLENGE

## Splash!!

Angie Stewart splashes her face into a bowl of water in her effort to grab an apple with her teeth. Bobbing for apples was one of the events that the Student Council held for the school. Photo by Erin French.



## Showing their Love

The Journalism class gathers around each other to help plan the yearbook and talk about the days hot topics as Mr. McCracken looks on. Photo by Tommy Moran.



## STUCO President



### Amber Lock

"STUCO accomplished a lot this year. It helped to have a smaller STUCO because each member was able to get involved. I hope that it can continue to help represent the student body."



## Journalism

Above Top: The yearbook editors plan the layout of the yearbook using the ladder. Above Bottom: Mr. McCracken helps students work on their yearbook pages. Photos by Tommy Moran.

Back Row: Kristan Olson, editor, Kenneth Williams, Steven Holt, Sierra Covert, editor. Second Row: Mike McCracken, Sponsor, Angie Stewart, Tommy Moran, Kim McCauley, editor, Amber Lock. Front Row: Erin French, business manager, Jen Purkis, Liz Rivers. Photo by Toni Larson.



Above: The Juniors decorate their half of the hallway at the beginning of the school year as part of a STUCO activity. The class included some of their favorite quotes and songs, like the "Rainbow Song." Photo by Mike McCracken.

Below: Dusty Libel participates in a fun STUCO activity involving chocolate and donuts. Every year the Student Council plans monthly activities that involve the whole student body. The STUCO also sponsors three dances and organizes the Homecoming and Queen and King of Courts. This year the STUCO also sponsored a parade before the Homecoming football game. Photo by Mike McCracken.



## STUCO



Back Row: Allie Wilmes, Kim McCauley, Lesley Harness, Kelly French, and Emily Tharp. Front Row: Angie Stewart, treasurer, Amber Lock, president, Esther Gormley, sponsor, Tommy Moran, president-elect, Sierra Covert, secretary. Photo by Mike McCracken.

Above: Angie Stewart instructs students on how to play the chocolate donut game. Photo by Mike McCracken.

# On the Farm

Country boys and girls gettin' down on the Farm.



The FFA is a program that allows young adults to learn about the agricultural benefits of the world.

Left: Josh Saunders smiles at the camera while Brandon Cluck gives him moose ears and unknowingly gets his pair from Johnny Stonebarger.



Right: Cody Peters celebrates after his strike at FFA's annual cosmic bowling party.



First row: Paige Smith, Clint Merkel, Steven Holt, Brandon Geiger, Sierra Covert, Kim McCauley, Brett Neibling. Second row: Tommy Moran, Lyndsey Elrod, Amber Lock, Ashley Robinson, Kimberly Keller, Samantha Keebler, Christena Gilfillan, Ashley Stewart, Meghan Simmons, Amanda Zeit, Amber Diveley, Jessica Lackey. Third row: Cody Miller, Josh Fee, Molly Kinkead, Angela Stewart, Caicey Jones, Dusty Libel, Brandon Cluck, Mike Kafer, Allie Wilmes, Shane Harness, Elmer Schmitz. Fourth row: Justin Clary, Miranda Cluck, Lesley Harness, Bailey Donahue, Chelsey Fritch, Travis Green, Kole McCauley, Josh Saunders. Fifth row: Cody Peters, Matt Cluck, Thomas Beaman, Aaron Powell, Justin Tilton, Eric Nolte, John Stonebarger, Brandon Terry, Kevin Solomon, John Weis.



These pages by Angela Stewart.



Left: Samantha Keebler uses Chelsey Fritch as an envelope licker while they stuffed envelopes for the Chapter Banquet.

Lower Left: Mike Kafer is finally as tall as the other boys when Aaron Powell and Thomas Beaman hold him up.

Below: Miranda Cluck spits out the cheese she tried in order to prepare her for the Dairy Foods contest.



Above: Dusty Libel and Cody Miller hold Mr. Schmitz's lamb while the other freshmen judge the animals on their ability to produce meat.



Far above: Amanda Zeit and Meghan Simmons smack their heads in disgust upon not knowing the answer to the question.

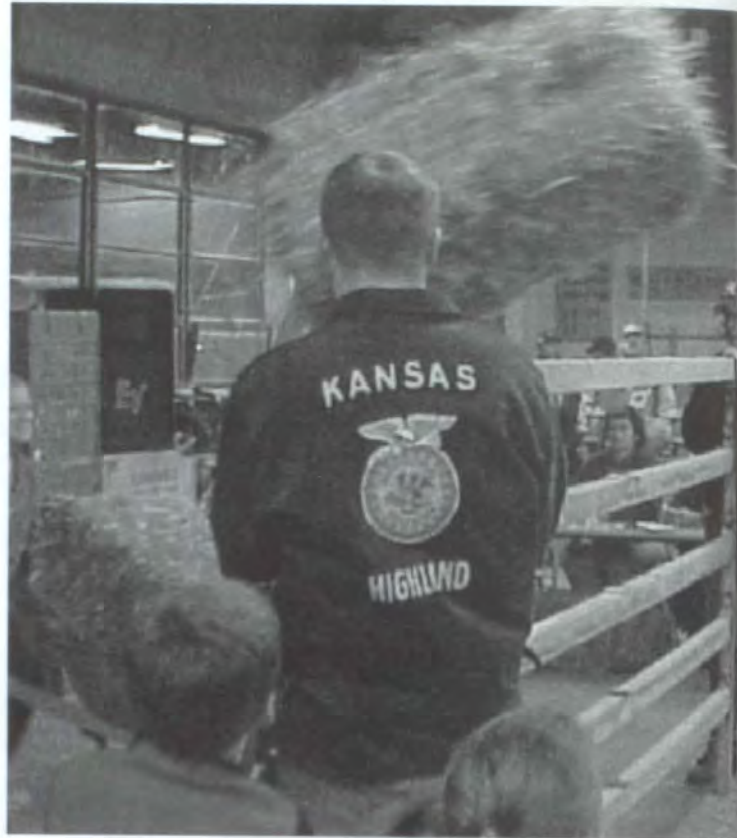
Above: Cody Peters, Brandon Geiger, Matt Cluck, and Thomas Beaman plant flowers for the greenhouse.

# Barnwarming

## A night at the farm!

Barnwarming festivities kicked off with a community and FFA members meal. After the meal, everyone headed out to the shop to begin the sweetheart festivities. Following the candidates speeches, the chores began. The chores were: the haybale throw, questions and answers, and early morning chores. While the judges picked a winner, the members were auctioned off for the worksale. The judges returned with a winner. Angie Stewart was crowned Barnwarming Queen and Meghan Simmons was runner up.

Josh Saunders and Cody Peters hold up the railing for the hay throwing contest. Photo by Tommy Moran



## Queen For A Night!



Angie Stewart hugs last year's Barnwarming Queen: Amber Lock. Photo by Tommy Moran.



Brett Neibling and Steven Holt ask Lindsay Elrod brainbusters for the question and answer chore.



Jessica Lackey backs up the tractor trailer as one of the activities of the night. Photo by Tommy Moran



Angie Stewart gives a speech to her fellow FFA friends. Photo by: Tommy Moran



**“I enjoyed Barnwarming because it is a fun experience with lots of interesting chores.”**  
**-Angela Stewart**



Left: Queen Angie Stewart, shows off her bouquet and very beautiful crown. Photo by Tommy Moran

Above: Roger Hopkins auctions off Jessica Lackey for the work sale. Photo by Tommy Moran



# Band / Choir

Going out on a high note

Right: 2002-2003 Band Members  
 Front Row l-r: Jonathan Collins, Joshua Hargis, Jessica Libel, Nicole Diveley, Tim Schneider, Ben Gilmore, Chelsey Fritch 2nd Row l-r: Kaley Witham, Patience Beck, Morgan Twombly, Bridget Glynn, Nicholas Dickerson, Adam Hales, Juliann Gross, Chase Smith 3rd Row l-r: Amanda Dunn, Kassi Zeit, Ashton Lackey, Caley Dorrell, Sterling Dorrell, Kip Peters, Kelly French 4th Row l-r: Eric Simmons, Katelynn Fitch, Eric Edie, Jordanne Miller, Stephanie Schneider, Tasha Martin, Lacy Sullivan, Megan Holt Back Row l-r: Charles Kent, Brandon Terry, Andrew Gilmore, Billy Hopkins, Evan Nuzum, Sarah Reiter, Alana Beck Behind: Director Yvette Cook Photo by Lifetouch.



Above: Ms. Cook directs the band as they rehearse new songs for the upcoming spring concert. Photo by Kenneth Williams.

Above Right: Caley Dorrell on the tuba and Chelsey Fritch on bass clarinet. Photo by Kenneth Williams



Right: Brandon Terry attempts to master the rhythm of the song as he keeps the beat on drums. Photo by Kenneth Williams.

Far Right: Four high school band members Alana Beck, Kelly French, Megan Holt, and Lacy Sullivan sit together in the woodwinds section. Photo by Kenneth Williams.





Left: The men emphasize the volume of their voices in the gospel song "The Power and the Glory" Photo by Kenneth Williams.



Right: Tommy Moran displays his knowledge in music as he teaches Caley Dorrell about half notes. He uses the popular Socratic method to fully instill the idea. Photo by Kenneth Williams.



Left: The men's section perfects their harmony part in the song "Like an Eagle" as Ms. Cook explains the importance of the men's section in this particular selection. Photo by Kenneth Williams



Above: Back Row l-r: Liz Rivers, Rachel Wigle, Brandon Terry, Caley Dorrell, Thomas Beaman, Caicey Jones, Heather Terry, Angie Stewart, Kristan Olson, Lesley Harness Middle Row l-r: April Pearson, Chelsey Fritch, Brett Neibling, Daniel Solomon, Bryce Ellner, Tommy Moran, Emily Tharp, Megan Holt, Bailey Donahue Front Row l-r: Lacy Sullivan, Lyndsey Elrod, Samantha Keebler, Paige Smith, Ben Gilmore, Kole McCauley, Evan Nuzum, Jessica Lackey, Christena Gilfillan, Camille Beck, Kim Keller. Not Pictured: Amber Lock. Photo by Mike McCracken.



Left: Ms. Cook plays scales as the choir warms up. Proper warm-ups are essential for good enunciation and sound quality. Photo by Kenneth Williams



Above: Steven Holt expresses his appreciation for the new selection. He always looks at new music with optimism about improving his repertoire. Photo by Kenneth Williams.

Left: The alto section practices the refrain in the song "America Sings." This song requires a lot of energy from this group. Photo by Kenneth Williams.

# Carnival

## A

# Celebration

A less familiar musical turned out to be big fun in a small barrel. With festive parades, magic tricks, and some very colorful clowns, Ms. Cook, cast and crew gave it their all to deliver a quality performance.

Entertainers Samantha Keebler and Miranda Cluck clown around backstage before their next scene. Photo by Sierra Covert.



Above: Thomas Beaman, Matt Cluck, and Steven Holt strut their stuff with a manly song and dance. Photo by Sierra Covert. Clockwise from top left corner: Magicians Steven Holt and Caicey Jones discuss their future. Photo by Jen Purkis. Kristan Olson and Angie Stewart play Siamese twins in matching outfits. Photo by Sierra Covert. The clowns and jugglers celebrate with a funny dance. Photo by Sierra Covert. Brandon Terry solemnly belts out one of his solos. Photo by Jen Purkis. Brett Neibling and Chelsey Fritch rehearse a puppet act. Photo by Jen Purkis.

These pages by Liz Rivers.



Below: Caicey Jones sings her fiery song, "Humming," during a particularly defiant scene. Photo by Jen Purkis.



Below: A newly arrived Chelsey Fritch sings to Brett Neibling about her hometown, Mira. Photo by Mike McCracken.



Below: Steven Holt and Caicey Jones perform a crowd-pleasing magic trick on a pre-cast volunteer. Photo by Mike McCracken.



Below: Lesley Harness contemplates her next act of jocularly. Photo by Sierra Covert. Below far left: Kristan Olson, Caicey Jones, and Heather Terry strike a sassy pose backstage. Photo by Sierra Covert.

Below right: Sleepy Steven Holt smooths his bed-head to speak to Kenneth Williams. Photo by Jen Purkis.



Left: Chelsey Fritch and Brandon Terry argue heatedly during an intense scene. Photo by Jen Purkis.

Above: Steven Holt prepares to cut his assistant, Caicey Jones, in half. Photo by Jen Purkis.



# Swing Choir

■ ■ ■ ■ 2003 ■ ■ ■ ■

## Rockin' Through the Ages

This year's Swing Choir worked really hard throughout the entire year. Their work not only paid off when they went on tour, but it also paid off at Regionals and State. The Girls' Ensemble earned a I at League which allowed them to qualify at Regionals where they also scored a I. At State the girls received a I. The Boys Ensemble received a I at Regionals and a II at State. Not only did the group as a whole shine, but so did the soloists. Chelsey Fritch received a I at League, Regionals and State. Alana Beck, Paige Smith, and Caley Dorrell received II's at Regionals.



Above: Girls provide melody for the boy's rendition of "Lean on Me." Photo by Angela Stewart.

Top: Caley Dorrell, Brandon Terry, Ben Gilmore, and Thomas Beaman dress up in their "Dork" outfits while performing "Love Potion Number Nine." Photo by Angela Stewart.

Far Above: The Swing Choir sings "Knock Three Times." Photo by Angela Stewart.  
Above: The Senior girls Heather Terry, Kristan Olson, and Caicey Jones perform "Hold On." Photo by Angela Stewart.

These Pages by Angela Stewart and Tommy Moran.



Left: Caicey Jones and Ben Gilmore dance to "Time of My Life" at practice. Photo by Amber Lock.



Above: The sophomore girls sing "Killing Me Softly." Photo by Tommy Moran.



Above: Alana Beck and Paige Smith lean on Caley Dorrell while singing "Sugar Sugar." Photo by Angela Stewart



Back row: Alana Beck, Paige Smith, Samantha Keebler, Miranda Cluck. Middle row: Lyndsey Elrod, Ben Gilmore, Lesley Harness, Thomas Beaman, Brandon Terry, Chelsey Fritch, Caley Dorrell, Heather Terry. Front row: Caicey Jones, Kristan Olson. Photo by Sierra Covert.



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These pages by Sierra Covert.



# FACS, Woods, Ag

Creating well-rounded young adults.

Right clockwise: Kole McCauley and Johnny Stonebarger examine a weld created by a high school student. Miranda Cluck asks for assistance from Mr. Schimtz. Amanda Zeit arc welds. Cody Miller explains the lactation period of a cow to Ashley Stewart. Photos by Angela Stewart.

Below: Josh Fee practices his arc welding skills in Beginning Ag. He will also be introduced to wire welding. Photo by Angela Stewart.

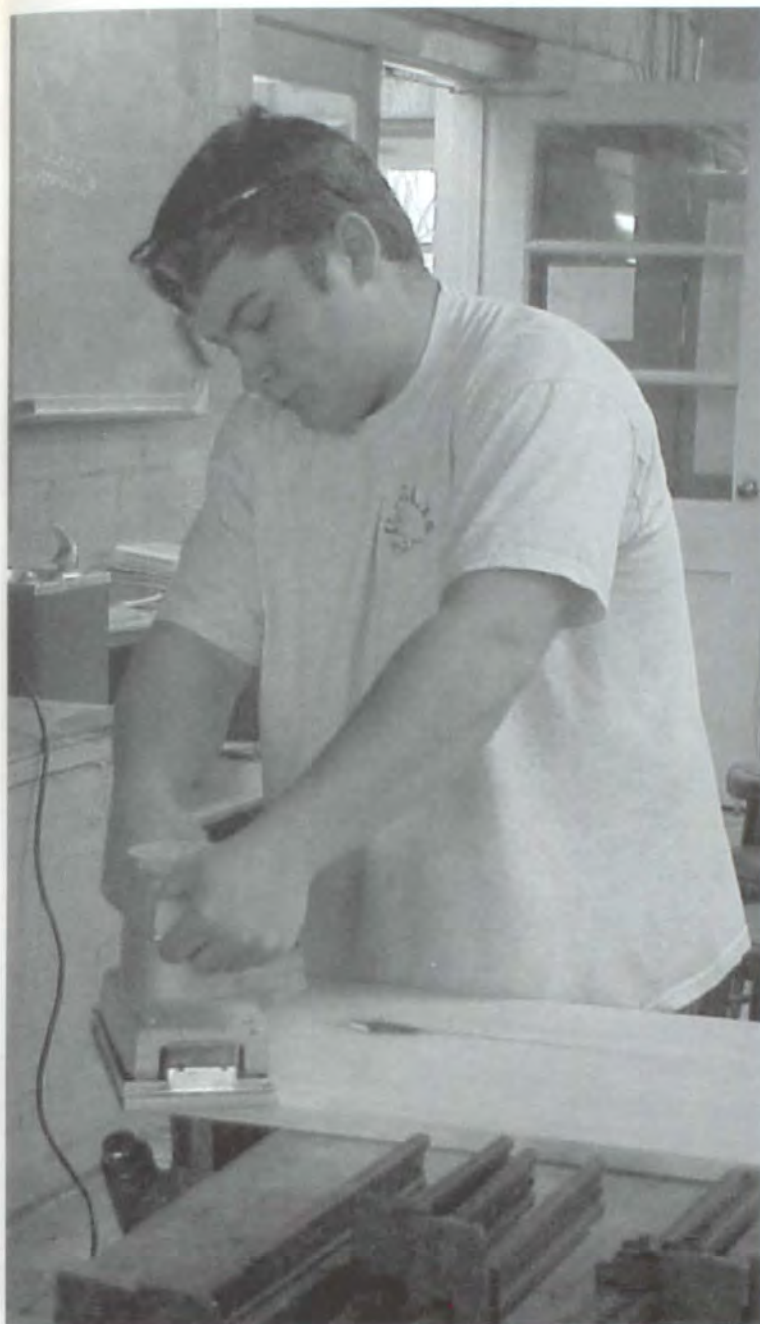


Above: Aaron Powell cuts a piece of wood to its precise measurements. Aaron enjoys woods and has taken home many projects he has created on his own.

Right: Bryce Ellner irons his cloth, he is planning to use for his quilt. He has learned to cook and iron, but hopes his mother will not find out. Photo by Kim McCauley.



These pages by Angela Stewart.



Left: Mike Kafer practices his sanding skills on a piece of wood for his project. This year Mike has created several end tables, beds, and a hall tree. Photo by Sierra Covert



Left: Kevin Solomon demonstrates his ability to create a delicate sauce. This year Solomon has created several unique dishes in FACS. Photo by Angela Stewart



Below: Justin Clary removes the excess glue he used to glue his boards together. Justin will use this wood for his coffee table. Photo by Seirra Covert



Above: Sam Wigle measures out the cloth she plans to use on her quilt. This year, she has not only learned to make a quilt in FACS, but has also learned to cook, shop effectively, and sew. Photo by Kim McCauley

Left: The Animal Science class learns how to identify ideal Dairy Cattle. The class works hard to increase their knowledge of animals. Photo by Kenneth Williams

# ART Making a Mountain out of a "Hill"



This was Mr. Hill's first year as an Art teacher at Highland Schools. Mr. Hill also directed a well received spring play titled "The Butler Did It."

## Awards

- |                              |                                 |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Erin French</b>           | <b>Camille Beck</b>             |
| DVL Art Festival             | DVL Art Festival                |
| Artistic Excellence-Ceramics | Certificate of Merit-Painting   |
| <b>Brian Reiter</b>          | Honorable Mention-Ceramics      |
| GFWC Art Contest             | Honorable Mention-Painting      |
| 1st Place Drawing            | <b>Amanda Zeit</b>              |
| DVL Art Festival             | DVL Art Festival                |
| Honorable Mention-Ceramics   | Artistic Excellence-Ceramics    |
| <b>Rachel Wigle</b>          | Certificate of Merit-Painting   |
| DVL Art Festival             | <b>Heather Terry</b>            |
| Honorable Mention-Drawing    | GFWC Art Contest                |
| <b>Kelly French</b>          | 1st-Ceramics                    |
| DVL Art Festival             | 2nd-Watercolor                  |
| Artistic Excellence-Ceramics | DVL Art Festival                |
| <b>Dusty Libel</b>           | Artistic Excellence-Ceramics    |
| DVL Art Festival             | Certificate of Merit-Watercolor |
| Artistic Excellence-Ceramics | HCC Art Day                     |
|                              | Artistic Excellence-Ceramics    |



Above: Bailey Donahue assists Aaron Powell as he works on his drawing of livestock slaughtering procedures. Aaron is the HHS farm boy. He gets up early every morning to work on the farm. "I really appreciate you being here Aaron, (even though sometimes you're barely awake)."

-Ms. Parish

Christena Gilfillan and Kimberly Keller make plans for their independent projects.

Above Top: Erin French chalks the underlying color of "A Starry Night" in Baghdad. "Highland Art Day was a good final art experience. Though we were under new instruction with new art faces, it was an overall happy ending," said Erin French.

These pages by Amber Lock.

Photos by Amber Lock and Kenneth Williams



Below: Rachel Wigle poses with her beautiful picture that took her many hours to create.

ROCK ON RACHEL!



Left: Samantha Wigle receives instruction on her bird feeder from Mr. Hill.



Left: Camille Beck masterfully drips paint on her gorgeous pot.



Left: The Highland Art Day Chalk Drawing team's masterpiece "A Starry Night in Baghdad".



Above: Caicey Jones draws the moon for "A Starry Night in Baghdad".

Michael Hunsaker and Shannon Cattrell work patiently on their tessellated designs.

Above Top: Daniel Solomon carefully works on his water color project.



# Oh Donna, Oh Donna

## History, Spanish, English

### PARTY AT PARISH'S!!!!

The Junior class huddles together as they watch "Last of the Mohicians" and enjoy Mrs. Parish's excellent food! The Junior class had a party at her house in order to celebrate the relationship between the students and one of their favorite teachers. Photo by Jack Hippens



The Junior Class would like to dedicate this picture to Mrs. Parish. We would also add that we enjoy Mrs. Parish's sense of humor and compassion. We hope you decide to sponsor our Senior trip.



# April Fools



Angie Stewart stuffs Tommy Moran into Mrs. Parish's closet in preparation for her April Fools' Surprise!

Students pay close attention in class as Mrs. Parish begins to lecture.



Mrs. Parish finally realizes that the "Never Absent" Tommy is missing!!



Mrs. Parish glances into the closet after she sees the door slowly opening. Tommy is anxiously awaiting to jump out and surprise her.





Above: Angela Stewart rehearses her history speech.



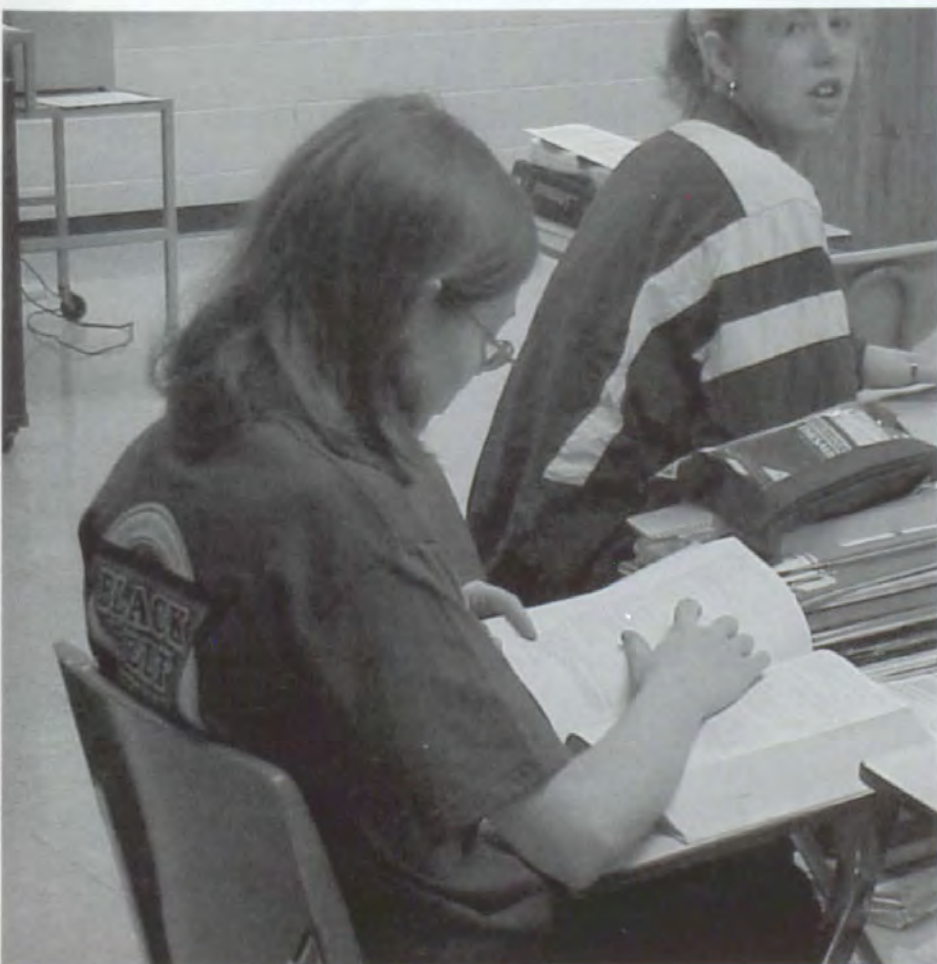
Right: Emily Tharp types her speech on Gun Control.



Left: Amber Lock slowly puts flour in her Mexican taco sauce.



Below: Kristan Olson takes her Mexican Wedding cake out of the oven. Yum-Yum



Above: Thomas Atkins studies a fossil at the Native American Heritage Museum. The Sophomore class visits the N.A.H.M once a year while they're studying Hopi Indians.

Liz Rivers reads the poem "Carnation Milk" during her English IV class. Liz really enjoys English this year. Her favorite part is reading poetry in a "Happy Circle" while singing Kumbaya.



# math, science, technology

Resistance is futile. You will be assimilated

Clockwise from right: Heather Terry and Erin French listen attentively and take notes during a Physics lecture. Photo by Liz Rivers. Amber Lock and Tommy Moran make copies of rosters during Computer Productions class. Photo by Janice Stonebarger. Heather Terry cuts out fun photos for a Computer Productions project. Photo by Kristan Olson. Mr. Daub prepares a lecture for his next class. Photo by Liz Rivers. Rachel Wigle folds rosters for Computer Productions class. Photo by Kristan Olson. Below: Math teacher Carl Swendson lectures to his Algebra I class. Photo by Jen Purkis.



Above: Amber Lock and Angie Stewart wear pro-war signs and meditate during an unusual Geometry class. Photo by Alana Beck.

Right: The freshmen of the Algebra I class open their minds to a new mathematical equation. Photo by Steven Holt.



These pages by Liz Rivers.



Left: An algebraic formula boggles the minds of the Algebra I class as Mr. Swendson tries to explain. Photo by Steven Holt.



Left: Mr. Daub reassembles the anatomy dummy after demonstrating a procedure for the Biology class. Photo by Steven Holt.



Below left: Kristan Olson decorates senior lockers with fun pictures during Computer Productions class. Photo by Sierra Covert. Below: Angie Stewart, Kenneth Williams, Amber Lock, and Tommy Moran try to understand a new Geometry postulate. Photo by Jen Purkis.



Above: Jen Purkis formats a digital photo using Adobe Photoshop during Computer Productions class. Photo by Janice Stonebarger.

Left: Mr. Daub and his happy Chemistry students put their lecture on pause to pose for the camera. Photo by Liz Rivers.



# Highland High

## 2003

# Graduation

Thirteen years of hard work and dedication finally paid off when the Highland High School Seniors graduated Saturday, May 17, 2003 at 2:00 P.M. The ceremony was filled with laughs and tears as the Seniors shared memories.



Above: Brandon Geiger gives his mother a hug during the Presentation of the Roses.

Right: Kristan Olson receives her Diploma from Bill Hargis.

Far Above: Kim McCauley and Cody Peters receive the Fee Scholarship from Mr. Beck at the Commencement Ceremony. They also received the R.E. French Scholarship.

Above: Sierra Covert receives the Joann Hallauer Scholarship. Sierra also received the Dale Dennis Excellence in Education Award.





Above: Brett Neibling receives his Valadictorian Plaque and prepares to give his speech.



The Graduating Class of 2003. Back Row l-r: Kristan Olson, Cody Peters, Matt Cluck, Brett Neibling, Brian Reiter, Victor Owen, Eric Nolte, Sierra Covert. Second Row: Kim McCauley, Jen Purkis, Brandon Geiger, Kaleb Caudle, Cris Sullivan, Justing Clary, Caicey Jones. Front Row: Amber Diveley, Erin French, Heather Terry, Rachel Wigle, Mike Kafer, Liz Rivers. Photo by Terri McCauley.



Above Left: The senior boys converse before the Graduation started.

Above Right: Eric Nolte and Amber Diveley walk in during the processional.



Left: The Graduating Class of 2003 moves their tassels to their left side. They are now Alumni of Highland High School.



# Senior Credits:

## **Kaleb Caudle**

Football: 9,10,12  
Basketball:9,10,11  
Cross Country: 9  
StuCo: 10  
VoTech: 10,11,12  
FFA: 9-12  
Choir/Musical: 9,10  
Swing Choir: 9-11

## **Justin Clary**

Football: 9-12  
Basketball:9-12  
FFA: 9-12  
StuCo: 10  
Choir: 10  
Broken Leg  
King of Court Candidate  
Homecoming Candidate

## **Matthew Cluck**

Football:9-12  
Basketball:9-12  
Swing Choir: 10,11  
FFA: 9-12  
Vocational Medal

## **Sierra Covert**

Cheerleading: 9  
Basketball:9,10  
Volleyball:9-12  
Track:9-12  
FFA: 9-12  
FFA Greenhand President: 9  
FFA Reporter: 10  
FFA Secretary: 11  
FFA Vice President: 12  
Barnwarming Candidate: 9,10  
Choir/Musical:9  
NHS: 10,11,12  
NHS StuCo Rep:11  
NHS President: 12  
StuCo: 11,12  
StuCo Secretary 12  
Journalism: 10,11,12  
Newspaper Reporter: 10  
Yearbook Business Manager: 11  
Quill and Scroll: 10,11,12  
Volleyball All-County Honorable Mention: 10  
Volleyball Co-Captain: 12  
Track Co-Captain: 12

Sierra Covert continued....

KSPA District Honorable Mention: 10  
NE Kansas All-Star Participant Volleyball: 12  
I Dare You Award: 11  
Robinson Auxiliary Girls State Representative: 11  
Robinson Junior Auxiliary Member: 9-12  
Who's Who Among High School Students: 9-12  
National Honor Roll: 10,11,12  
Highland Community College Foundation Scholarship  
Cecil Kleepe Scholarship  
Vocational Medal  
RE French Scholarship  
JoAnn Hallauer Scholarship  
Honor Cord  
Dale Dennis in Education All Around Student Award  
Kiwanis Honor Scholar

## **Amber Diveley**

Basketball:10  
Track:9-12  
FFA:10,12  
NHS:10,11,12  
Cross Country:9-12  
All County:9-12  
Queen of Courts:12  
Vocational Medal  
Homecoming Candidate:12

## **Erin French**

Boys Basketball Manager: 10  
Volleyball Manager: 12  
Girls Basketball Manager: 12  
Pep Club: 12  
RE French Scholarship

## **Brandon Geiger**

Football: 9-12  
Basketball: 9-12  
FFA:9-12  
President: 12  
Vice President: 11  
Sentinel: 10  
StuCo:9  
NHS:10-12  
Choir:9  
State FFA Degree: 12  
Homecoming Candidate  
Northeast Star Greenhand: 9  
Class Officer: 9-12  
Vice President:9



Brandon Geiger continued...

President: 10  
Secretary: 11  
Secretary: 12  
Vocational Medal

### **Caicey Jones**

Volleyball: 9,10,11  
Basketball: 9,10  
Cheerleading: 9,10,11  
FFA: 9-12  
Swing Choir: 10,11,12  
Choir/Musical: 9-12  
Spring Play:12  
Art: 10,11,12  
On-Site Winner: 11  
Barnwarming Candidate: 11  
Homecoming Candidate  
King and Queen of Court's Candidate

### **Mike Kafer**

Football:11  
Hunting  
Fishing  
Vocational Medal

### **Kimberly McCauley**

Volleyball: 9-12  
Basketball: 9-12  
StuCo: 9,11,12  
FFA:9-12  
FFA Treasurer :12  
Senior Class President:12  
Yearbook Editor :12  
Journalism:10,11,12  
Homecoming Queen : 12  
FCA:12  
Dwight and Shirley Fee Scholarship  
RE French Scholarship

### **Brett Neibling**

Valedictorian  
Football: 9-12  
Basketball: 9-12  
NHS: 10-12  
Parliamentarian: 11  
Vice President: 12  
StuCo: 11  
FFA: 9-12  
Reporter: 11,12  
Quiz Bowl: 9-12  
"I Dare You Award": 11  
Wendy's High School Heisman: 11  
Choir/Musical: 9-12  
Honor Cord  
Trustee's Scholarship  
Farm Bureau Scholarship

### **Eric Nolte**

Football: 9-12  
Basketball: 9-12  
Track: 9  
FFA: 9-12  
Choir: 9  
N.E. District Proficiency Award: 12

### **Kristan Olson**

Basketball: 9-12  
Cheerleading:9,10,11  
FCA: 11,12  
Pep Club: 12  
Choir/Musical: 9-12  
State Music: 9,10,12  
I Rating at State: 12  
Swing Choir: 9-12  
Volleyball: 9-12  
Honorable Mention All-County:11  
Honorable Mention All League:12  
Unanimous All-County:12  
NEK All-Star: 12  
Quill and Scroll: 10  
Journalism: 10-12  
Yearbook Editor: 12  
King & Queen of Courts' Candidate: 12

### **Victor Owen**

Football: 11,12  
Basketball: 10,11,12  
FFA: 12

### **Cody Peters**

Sports:  
Football: 9-12  
Basketball: 9-12  
Track:10,11,12  
StuCo: 9  
FFA: 9-12  
FCA: 12  
Homecoming King: 12  
Football Honorable Mention: 11,12  
North-East Kansas All-Star Basketball:12  
Elwood Invitational Basketball:12  
Vocational Medal  
Highland High School Alumni Scholarship  
Dwight and Shirley Fee Scholarship

### **Jennifer Purkis**

Volleyball Manager: 12  
Pep Club: 12  
Journalism: 12

### **Brian Reiter**

Football: 9-12

### **Elizabeth Rivers**

NHS: 11, 12  
Choir/Musical: 9-12  
Journalism: 10,11,12

Quiz Bowl: 10,11  
3<sup>rd</sup> Editing Regional Journalism 11  
Who's Who Among American  
High School Students: 10,11,12  
Honor Cord

### **Chris Sullivan: VoTech**

### **Heather Terry**

Volleyball: 9,11,12  
Basketball: 9,10  
Cheerleading: 9,10  
NHS: 10,11,12  
Pep Club:12  
Quiz Bowl: 9,10  
StuCo: 10  
Swing Choir: 9,10,12  
Quill and Scroll: 10  
Honor Cord

### **Rachel Wigle**

Volleyball: 10,11,12  
Choir: 9,12  
Swing Choir Technician: 12  
Spring Play: 12  
Boys Basketball Manager: 10  
Honor Roll: 9-12





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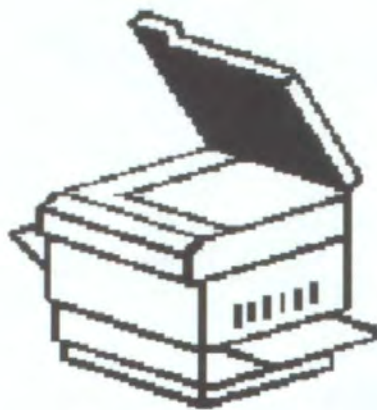
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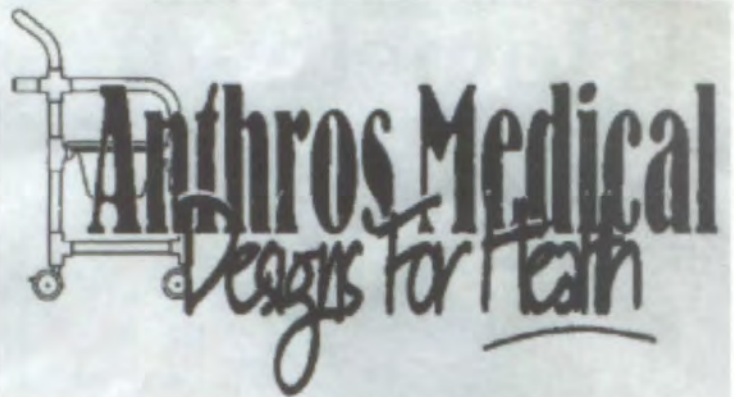
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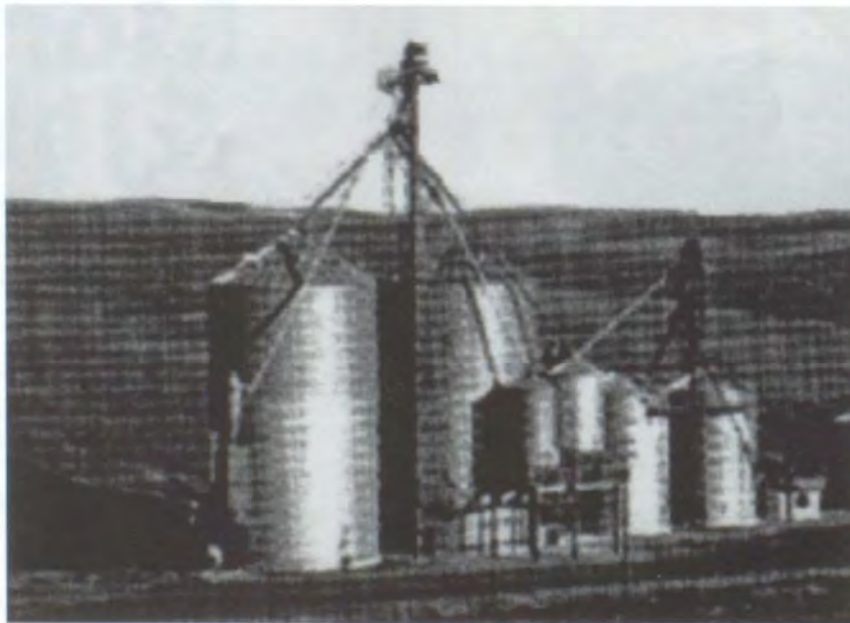
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