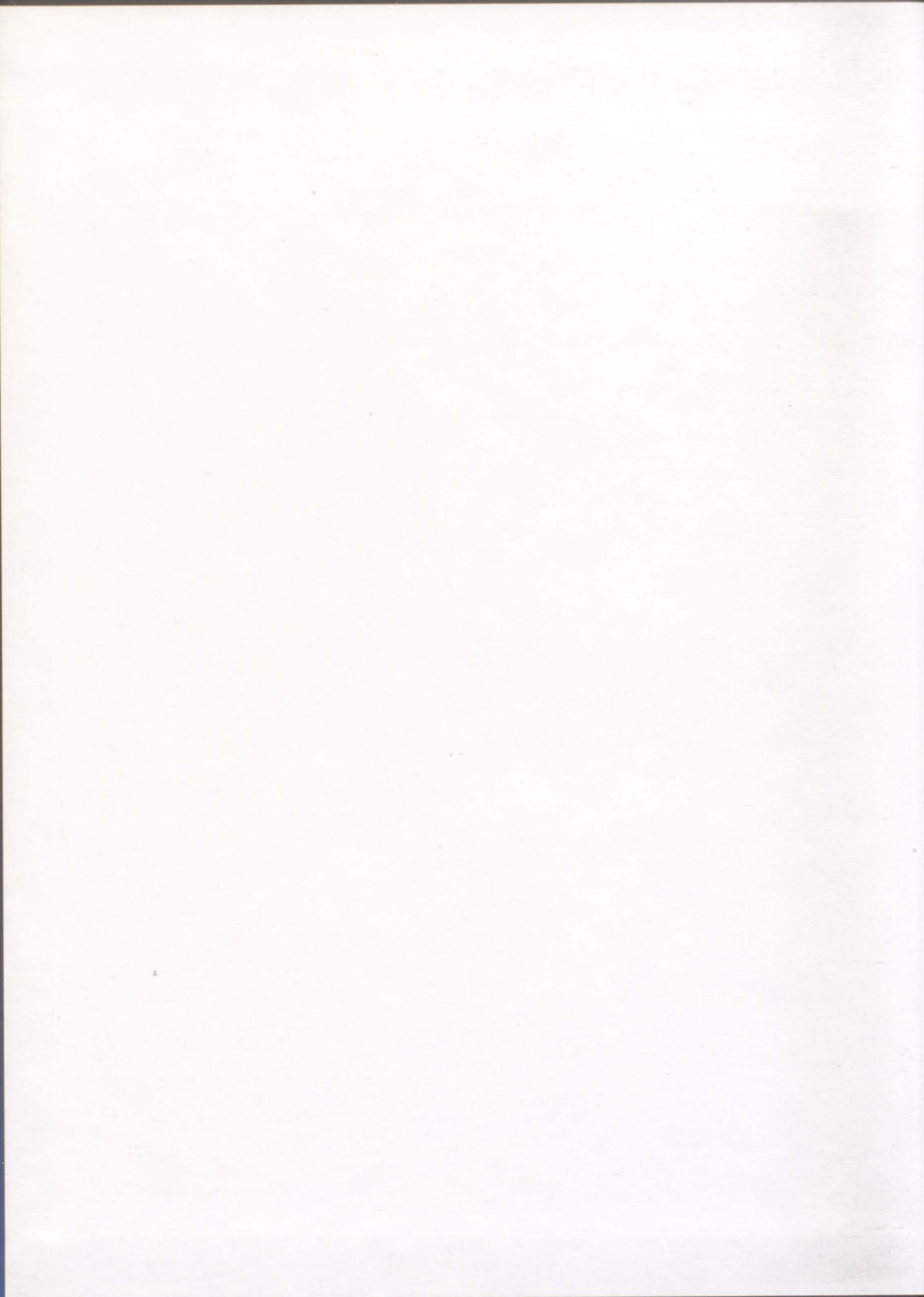
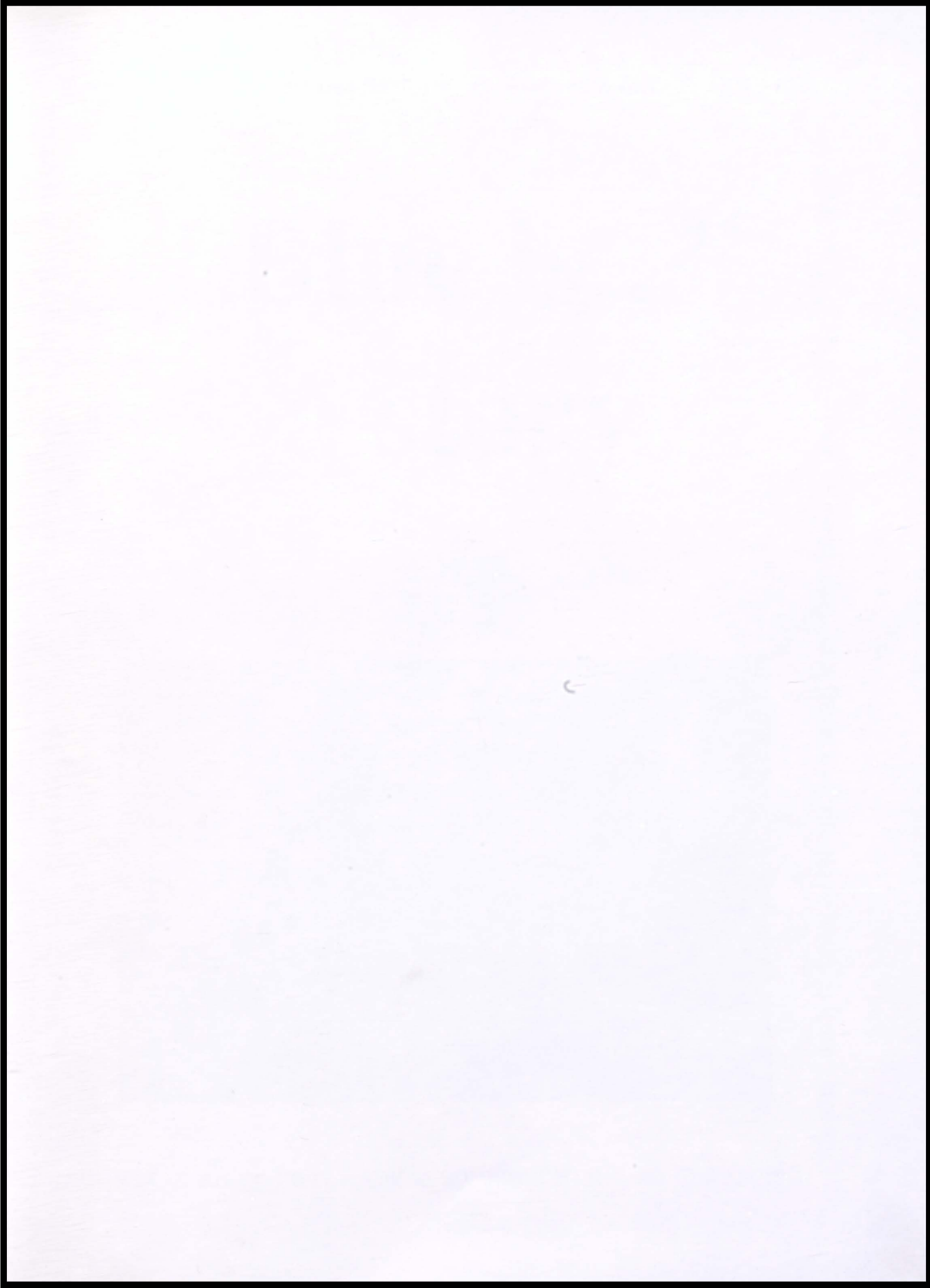


**“Blue is,,**

**Troy High School 2014**

Blue is not just a color. Blue is forever. Blue is where you belong. Blue is giving. Blue is you. Blue is us. Blue is dynamite. Blue ignites passion. Blue is an idea. Blue is home. Blue is strong. Blue protects white. Blue is bold. Blue is spirit. Blue is pride. Blue is family. Blue is life. Blue is hard work. Blue is determination. Blue is fun.







A story is a memory in the making. A story is a tale. A story can

# “Blue is...” a story

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be a piece of gossip; a rumor. A story can be a false statement. A story is entertaining.

A story is nourishment for hungry souls. A story can be scary. A story is conversation.

A story can be full of laughter. A story is a picture in your mind.

An idea is a thought. An idea is an opinion. An idea is constructed as

An idea sparks creativity. An idea is a plan. An idea is a method. An idea can be exciting.

# *“blue is”... an idea*



Above: The town came together throughout the year, facing several challenges. Long-time science teacher, Kevin McNorton, was diagnosed with cancer. The school helped him battle this part of his life throughout the year. Everyone in the grade school and high school came together and wore purple, McNorton's favorite color. The story was also on KQ2 news. "No one fights alone" became the school's inspiration in helping Mr. McNorton through his journey.

Photo by Janel Anderson

An idea exists in the mind as a product of mental activity. An idea can

mental representational images. An idea can be created unintentionally.

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An idea is a specific purpose. An idea is often constructed from a vision. An idea is a theme.

Our theme was influenced by our school color: blue. The border on each division page represents what the subject means to us and what we feel the definition is.

The school had many highlights throughout the year. The Troy band went to Florida to play in the Thanksgiving Day Parade of Bands. Several students went to state to compete in journalism, band, choir, and speech. Publications students worked on a history book of Troy. The football players made it to regionals, for the first year in the new Twin Valley League (TVL) League.

cover a range of concepts. An idea is characterization in general terms.

Athletics are challenging. Athletics take a team effort. Athletics show

Athletics bring out the best and worst in people. Athletics create rivalries that last a lifetime.



# Athletics

The Troy football team added a new assistant coach, Mr. Todd Shifflett, with Mr. Don Cash and Head Coach Jasper. Matt Allison was the returning volleyball coach with Julie Werner assisting. Doug Fisher was the cross country coach, and Roger Purdy was the returning baseball coach. Coach Jasper was also the returning girls' basketball coach with Mr. Fisher assisting. Mr. Purdy and Dallas

Keller were the returning boys' basketball coaches.

The football team was Regional Champs with all-state players Jay Whetstine, 1st team linebacker; Tristan Speer, honorable mention quarterback; and Ryan Franken, honorable mention defensive tackle.

The boys' and girls' basketball teams made it to sub-state at Valley Falls.

what you're truly made of. Athletics take hard work and determination.



**Far Left:** Senior Cody Israel runs the ball as junior Nathan Gaarder blocks a Maur Hill opponent.  
**Left Above:** Senior Colton Masters swings the bat at a pitch from a Heritage Christian Academy opponent.  
**Top:** Freshman Andrea Stock catches a throw down to second base as a Nemaha-Central girl slides into the base and senior Claire Marriott backs up the throw.  
**Middle:** Senior Alanie Stock shoots a three-pointer as a Doniphan West Mustang runs at her.  
**Bottom:** Senior William Boeh, junior Trae Shelton, and sophomores Cadence King and Preston Robinson compete at a cross country meet.  
**Left:** Senior Baton Twirler Halli Wigger twirls a fire baton at halftime of the football game against Riverside.  
**Photos by** Baileigh Jenkins, Courtney Klaus, and Trae Shelton

Athletics push you to your limit. Athletics take hustle and heart. Athletics are a way of life.

test your strengths and weaknesses. Athletics are intense.

# Football

The football team gained two new coaches. Derek Jasper became head coach and Todd Shifflett, who was new to the school district, was assistant coach.

The season was very up-and-down for the Trojans as they would win a few and then lose a few. Even then, the Trojans had more accomplishments than the year before.

They made it to the first round of playoffs for the first time in three years. For the first round they played the McLouth Bulldogs and won, which made them Regional Champions. Then they advanced to sectionals and took on the Lyndon Tigers. Since it was a home game, there were people from all over that attended the game. The Trojans took a hard loss that ended their season, but they surprised so many people and brought Trojan Football "back to glory," which was the goal they set from the very beginning of the year. They ended with a record of 7-4.

Many players received league honors at the end of the season. Collin Jasper (junior), Tristan Speer (junior), and Colton Masters (senior) received TVL all-league honorable mentions. Three juniors received First-Team Offense honors: Derek Franken, running back; Jake Ross, wide-receiver; and Jay Whetstine, offensive lineman. Three more juniors also received First-Team Defense: Nathan Gaarder, defensive lineman and punter; Jay Whetstine, linebacker; and Alex Schmille, defensive back.



"Once the coaching staff got some things figured out, we won five of six games to end the season. We advanced to the final eight, as far as any Trojan team in history has competed. I am most proud of the dedication and commitment made by the entire team . . . We enjoyed some great moments, and we were at our best when our best was needed," said Head Coach Jasper.



"My favorite thing about football was being regional champs, and it was a good season with a lot of good memories," said senior Ryan Franken



**Top:** The senior boys lead the team onto the field at a game against Horton. Pictured are Cody Israel, Caleb Winkel, and Dalton Masters.  
**Photo by Courtney Klaus**

**Above:** Caleb Winkel runs with the ball at a game versus D-West.  
**Photo by Trae Shelton**



**Top:** Junior Alex Schmille tackles an opponent from Jackson Heights at a home game.

**Photo by** Baileigh Jenkins

**Left:** Junior Collin Jasper is being taken down by an Effingham Tiger at the first game of the season.

**Photo by** Jessica Guffy

**Above:** The team lines up for the National Anthem at the game against Horton. **Photo by** Courtney Klaus



**Troy Trojans Football Team:** **Front Row:** Ryan Franken, Daulton Jasper, Dalton Masters, Cody Israel, Colton Masters, Caleb Winkel, Manager Claire Marriott **Row 2:** Jay Whetstine, Alex Schmille, Jake Ross, Derek Franken, Tristan Speer, Nathan Gaarder, Collin Jasper **Row 3:** Chris Winkel, Tucker Morris, Luke Smith, Preston Robinson, Tyler Christopher, Ben Wardlow, Taylor Scherer **Row 4:** Manager Valerie Mott, Brandon Schofield, Wil Smith, Wyatt Huss, Tyler Franken, Brant Hamilton, Manager Megan Schmille **Row 5:** Jarren Frump, Brody Winder, Reid Greaser, Cuttar Huss, Connor McNorton, Alex Martinez.

**Photo by** Lifetouch

## Trojan Football

ACCCHS	28-27
Maur Hill	34-7
Horton	6-36
Riverside	6-34
Jackson Heights	18-12
Valley Heights	15-14
Centralia	18-55
Immac	43-8
D-West	34-15
McLouth	26-14
Lyndon	8-37

**Record:** 7-4

# Volleyball/ Cross Country

The volleyball team was coached by Matt Allison. This was his third year of coaching volleyball. Julie Werner was the assistant coach for her third year also. Trevor Bembrick was the manager for the second year in a row.

The Lady Trojans were off to a rough start in the beginning of the season. Being in a new league they didn't really know what to expect and it took a toll on the team's ability. The team came close to winning quite a few games but they fell short almost every time. October 12, the Lady Trojans had a 3-3 record at the Riverside Tournament. The team took home the third-place plaque.

The team played two games at sub-state in Valley Falls. First, the team played the Jackson Heights Cobras and took them into three matches, beating them in the third match. Next, the Lady Trojans played against the Jefferson County North Chargers and lost to them in two matches.

The team ended their season with a 7-30 record. They had their good times and their bad times and didn't always play as a team.

"I think we did okay overall. We are definitely capable of more and we showed that at some of our games. Mr. Allison was a good coach," said sophomore Josie Smith.

The cross country team was coached by Douglas Fisher, for the second year. Courtney Klaus was the manager for her second year.

The team competed at eight meets: Marysville, Washington, McLouth, Troy, Centralia, Centralia (TVL

meet), Jackson Heights, and Regionals at Troy. The team had enough runners for a girls team and a boys team. All together the team had 11 runners.

For the Regionals meet at Troy, the team had six runners. Their finishing times for this meet were as follows: Emma Collins, 22:43; Jennifer Keller, 24:16; Kylee Anthony, 20:31; Cadence King, 23:00; Trae Shelton, 34:24; and William Boeh, 26:40.

"I would say the season went pretty well, but it could have been better. I think I definitely could have done better," said senior Russell Ostertag.

**Right:** Seniors Russell Ostertag and William Boeh run the course at Centralia. **Photo by Courtney Klaus**

**Below:** Freshman Jennifer Keller keeps a steady pace at the Troy meet. **Photo by Trae Shelton**



**Troy Trojan Cross Country Team:** Front Row: Alex Stanton, Nicki Stanton, Emma Collins, Kylee Anthony, Lauren Wigger, Jennifer Keller; Row 2: Coach Fisher, Russell Ostertag, William Boeh, Cadence King, Preston Robinson, Trae Shelton, Manager Courtney Klaus. **Photo by Lifetouch**

## Personal Bests

Runner	Best Time/Course
Russell Ostertag	24:00/ Jackson Heights
William Boeh	24:06/Jackson Heights
Nicki Stanton	22:52/ Troy
Alex Stanton	24:10/ Troy
Trae Shelton	29:40/ Centralia
Cadence King	21:33/ Centralia
Preston Robinson	23:27/ Centralia
Kylee Anthony	20:27/ Jackson Heights
Lauren Wigger	25:39/ Troy
Jennifer Keller	22:44/ Centralia
Emma Collins	22:12/ Jackson Heights



**Top:** Sophomore Holly Whetstine goes up for the block against the Doniphan West Mustangs while junior Alex Winder makes her way for the coverage. **Photo by Trae Shelton**

**Above:** The varsity starters "kill" sophomore Holly Whetstine at the Hiawatha Tournament against the Maur Hill Ravens. **Photo by Tracey Klaus.**



**Lady Trojan Volleyball Team:** Front Row: Kaylee Bennett, Harley Huss, Courtney Klaus, Baileigh Jenkins; Row 2: Jennifer Keller, Makayla Ross, Andrea Stock, Mckyla Umphenour, Brittany Klaus, Lauren Hill, Kylee Anthony; Row 3: Cheyenne Blanton, Cailyn Anderson, Madison Marriott, Breanna Smith, Holly Whetstine, Mikaela Campbell, Alex Winder, Josie Smith; Row 4: Coach Allison, Manager Trevor Bembrick, Coach Warner Row 5: Lexi Norris, Kassi Meng, Bailey Winkel, Blair Weishaar, Allison Budine. **Photo by Lifetouch**

## Volleyball Stats

Opponent	Win/Lose
Centralia	L, 9-25; 9-25
Washington	L, 13-25; 11-25
Frankfort	L, 14-25; 22-25
Clifton-Clyde	W, 15-25; 25-22; 25-22
Riverside	L, 13-25; 25-27
Doniphan West	L, 9-25; 25-27
Axtel	L, 21-25; 17-25
B&B	L, 9-25; 9-25
*Maur Hill	W, 25-18; 14-25; 25-15
*Horton	L, 21-25; 19-25
*Centralia	L, 12-25; 8-25
*Atchison High	L, 9-25; 10-25
Wetmore	L, 19-25; 19-25
Blue Valley	L, 23-25; 21-25
Valley Falls	L, 10-25; 12-25
Effingham	L, 14-25; 9-25
Onaga	L, 16-25; 16-25
Linn	L, 13-25; 13-25
Doniphan West	L, 11-25; 26-24; 11-25
Wetmore	L, 23-25; 22-25
*Mound City	L, 15-25; 22-25
*South Holt	W, 25-23; 25-15
*St. Joe Christian	W, 25-23; 25-19
*Trenton	W, 25-13; 25-17
*Riverside	L, 26-24; 24-26; 11-25
*Bishop Seabury	W, 25-16; 25-9
**Jackson Heights	W, 25-21; 20-25; 25-16
**JCN	L, 6-25; 14-25
*Tournament **Sub-state	

# Cheer/Dance

The cheer and dance team were sponsored by Mrs. Janel Anderson. Both squads attended the Spirit Spreader at the Highland Community College. The cheerleaders learned new cheers, ditties, and stunts to involve the crowd during games.

The cheer squad performed at boys' football games and boys' and girls' varsity basketball games. They planned and cheered at the pep rallies as well.

The dance squad hosted a "Little Trojan Dazzler" dance clinic February 3. Fifty-five girls in grades K-6 participated.

The dance team also performed in Manhattan, KS, during half time of a state basketball game March 13. The dancers performed a dance to "Find A Way" by Santigold. They dedicated this dance to Mr. Kevin McNorton.

"My sophomore year was my second year in dance and I loved it. The year has been great. The girls have made it a memorable one. I'm so happy that the girls and I get the opportunity to dance at Kansas State all because of Janel! Thanks to her for everything that you do for us girls. And we are all going to miss Harley; good luck at dance and cheer in Highland next year!" said sophomore Makayla Ross.



**Top:** The dancers finish a dance and pose for the crowd during a home basketball game. **Photo by Courtney Klaus**

**Right:** The cheerleading team does a cheer for the crowd at the Troy vs. Valley Heights football game. **Photo by Courtney Klaus**

**Below:** Sophomore Holly Whetstine and junior Bailey Gronniger cheer during a pep rally for the football boys during Homecoming week.

**Photo by Trae Shelton**



**Troy High School Cheerleaders:** Front row: Lauren Wigger, McKyla Barnthson, Makayla Ross, Alexis Horner, and Bailey Gronniger. Row 2: Madison Marriott, Cailyn Anderson, Holly Whetstine, Alex Winder, and Harley Huss.

**Photo by Lifetouch**

"Cheer this year was so much fun! We did so many new things from late night to the final football game as we rode in on motorcycles. I had a great group of girls and a wonderful cheerleading sponsor that made this year so much fun. I will miss them all so much next year, but I will return to watch them at every home game."

**Senior Cheerleader,  
Harley Huss**



**Top Right:** The dance team does a lyrical dance in tribute to Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Photo by Baileigh Jenkins

**Bottom Right:** The dancers dance to a Lady GaGa Mix. Photo by Jessica Guffy



**Troy High School Dance Team:** Front Row: Cailyn Anderson, Alex Winder, Mackenzie Harbeston, Madison Marriott, Jacklynn Clary, and McKyla Barnthson. Row 2: Makayla Ross, Harley Huss, Jessica Burton, and Blair Weishaar. Photo by Lifetouch

"I have been in dance for all four years, but this year was one of my favorites. I enjoyed being with this group of girls, along with our dance coach, Janel Anderson. Janel pushed us to be the best we could be. I will miss these girls a lot next year, but will be back to watch them perform at every home game! I love you all and thanks for the wonderful year!"

-Senior Dancer,  
Harley Huss

# Girls' Basketball

The Lady Trojans were coached by Derek Jasper, head coach, and Douglas Fisher, assistant coach. The team followed the saying "Can't Stop, Won't Stop." Managers were Mikaela Campbell and Andrea Stock.

The team ended with a 8-14 season record and a 4-9 TVL record.

The varsity team top scorers were Breanna Smith (157 points), Alanie Stock (128 points), Josie Smith (127 points), and Alex Winder (102 points). The team averaged around 37 points a game.

The JV team finished with an 8-8 record and a 7-6 TVL record.

The JV top scorers were Blair Weishaar (90 points), Kassi Meng (76 points), Madi Marriott (71 points) and Josie Smith (31 points). The JV girls played only two quarters for 8 out of 16 games.

The freshman team had a record of 1-0. They played only one game against Riverside, beating them 35-30.

Alanie Stock was selected to the TVL 2nd-team all-league basketball team.

"I think we did good, but we could've done better. My favorite part was hanging with the upper classmen. I'm definitely looking forward to next year. I love watching and playing basketball!" said freshman Lexi Norris.



"We weren't as successful as we had hoped to be this season. Injuries and sickness were a bit of a problem. We were still able to win a post-season game... We had a really fun bunch of girls that I enjoyed coaching," said Head Coach Derek Jasper.



"Even though we didn't have the best record, playing with this group of girls was so fun. Being a part of the basketball team for four years was an honor and I'm going to miss it like crazy," said senior Baileigh Jenkins.



**Top:** Junior Breanna Smith shoots the ball during the Troy vs. Doniphan West game. **Photo by Trae Shelton**

**Above:** Sophomore Madison Marriott shoots a left-handed layup against her Riverside opponent at the Northeast Kansas Shootout hosted by Mar Hill-Mount Academy. **Photo by Courtney Klaus**



**Left:** Junior Alex Winder shoots a free-throw during the game against the Wetmore Cardinals. **Photo by** Trae Shelton

**Top:** Senior Alanie Stock shoots a 3-pointer over one of the Doniphan West players. **Photo by** Trae Shelton

**Above:** Sophomore Josie Smith dribbles to the basket after a steal at the Troy vs. Wetmore game. **Photo by** Courtney Klaus



**Lady Trojan Basketball Team:** Front Row: Alanie Stock, Kaylee Bennett, Baileigh Jenkins  
 Row 2: Jeanne Bergeonneau, Makayla Ross, Madison Marriott, Breanna Smith, Holly Whetstine, Alex Winder, Emma Collins, Kourtney Davies  
 Row 3: Head Coach Derek Jasper, Lexi Norris, Kassi Meng, Megan Schmilke, Bailey Winkel, Blair Weishaar, Assistant Coach Doug Fisher  
**Photo by** Lifetouch

### Game Statistics

Opponent	Score	Win/ Lose
*Maur Hill	25-30	L
*Doniphan West	32-39	L
*Riverside	49-28	W
Wetmore	62-51	W
Hanover	41-43	L
Blue Valley	51-37	W
Baileyville	34-46	L
Washington County	25-56	L
Onaga	61-35	W
*Wetmore	37-38	L
*Onaga	47-33	W
*Blue Valley	55-35	W
Valley Heights	12-50	L
Clifton Clyde	47-41	W
Centralia	33-43	L
Linn	30-49	L
Horton	24-29	L
Frankfort	40-45	L
Axtell	36-39	L
Doniphan West	18-39	L
**Immaculata	36-33	W
**JCN	19-57	L

**Tournament\*** Record: 8-14  
**Sub-state\*\***

# Trojan Basketball

The team finished with a 13-10 record and a 7-6 TVL record. It was the first season the Trojans had a winning record since 2007-2008. This was the first year in the TVL (Twin Valley League). The basketball team followed the saying "We On as One."

The varsity top scorers were Collin Jasper (251 points), William Boeh (217 points), Nathan Gaarder (182 points), and Jake Ross (172 points).

The JV boys finished with a record of 13-3 and a TVL record of 10-3. The top scorers were Luke Smith (156 points), Wil Smith (127 points), Cuttar Huss (112 points) and Reid Greaser (100 points).

Collin Jasper was selected to the TVL 2nd-team all-league basketball team. Jasper also received Honorable Mention All-State 2A basketball team.

"I think it went really good!! My favorite part was being around all the players and playing with them. I'm looking forward to going even further next year and make it even better," said freshman Reid Greaser.

The Trojans were coached by Dallas Keller, head coach, and Roger Purdy, assistant coach. The managers were Cody Israel, Kipp Jasper, Reid Jasper, and Camden Anderson. Mikaela Campbell and Andrea Stock were also managers who would video record the games so the team could review them later.



"We made some great strides this year, winning the NEK shootout, receiving votes in state rankings, and finishing in the top 5 in the TVL, the hardest small school league in the state. The season was a big success," said Head Coach Dallas Keller.



"It was a good year. We won the first round of sub-state and made it to the sub-state semi's," said senior Daulton Jasper.



**Top:** Junior Nathan Gaarder goes up for the jump ball against the Wetmore Cardinals at home. **Photo by Trae Shelton**

**Above:** Junior Collin Jasper gets a right hand lay-up against a Maur Hill Mount Academy Raven. **Photo by Trae Shelton**



Left: Senior William Boeh shoots a jump shot over a Valley Heights Mustang. Photo by Courtney Klaus

Top: Junior Alex Schmille dribbles, looking for an opening to drive into the basket. Photo by Courtney Klaus

Above: Junior Jake Ross shoots a three-pointer against the Maur Hill-Mount Academy Ravens. Photo by Courtney Klaus



Troy Trojan Basketball: Front Row: Tyler Franken, Collin Jasper, Tristan Speer, Daulton Jasper, Connor McNorton, Cuttar Huss Row 2: Jay Whetstine, Jake Ross, Wyatt Huss, Alex Schmille, Chris Winkler, Reid Greaser, Brody Winder Row 3: Head Coach Dallas Keller, Wil Smith, Trevor Bembrick, William Boeh, Tucker Morris, Nathan Gaarder, Luke Smith, Assistant Coach Roger Purdy Photo by Lifetouch

## Game Statistics

Opponent	Score	Win/ Lose
*Maur Hill	58-55 OT	W
*Doniphan West	47-34	W
*Riverside	57-51	W
Wetmore	64-42	W
Hanover	47-52	L
Blue Valley	59-58	W
B&B	42-54	L
Washington County	41-57	L
Onaga	52-48	W
*Clifton-Clyde	59-56 OT	W
*Centralia	32-62	L
*Onaga	58-48	W
*Axtell	41-51	L
Valley Heights	48-56	L
Clifton-Clyde	59-57	W
Centralia	29-58	L
Linn	41-55	L
Horton	63-64 OT	L
Frankfort	60-48	W
Axtell	63-59	W
Doniphan West	51-33	W
**McLouth	82-47	W
**Valley Falls	34-59	L
<b>Tournament*</b>		<b>Record: 13-10</b>
<b>Sub-state**</b>		

# Track/ Wrestling

The Troy High School track team began the season March 3. More than half of the previous year's numbers returned, 13 in all.

The track team was coached by Douglas Fisher, assistant, for the second year with Head Coach Jared Wigger. The track team had an up-and-down season. Many participants beat their best times and everyone competed well.

"These kids continue to work hard and have improved throughout the season. I am proud of their efforts," said Coach Wigger.

The only track competitor to go to State was sophomore, Holly Whetstone. She finished in third-place in long jump at regionals, which advanced her to State at Wichita, where she ended in 14th place.



"Track is a good way to get in shape. It is a lot more competitive than middle school, so that drives me to work harder," said freshman Emma Collins.

THS had a state-bound wrestler. Junior Tristan Speer had a record of 37-0. Speer went to Hays for state wrestling. There Speer defeated Randy Lahey in 43 seconds to advance to the championship round. In the championship round, Speer took on Seth Bowsell and won the 195-pound weight class 3-2-1A Kansas State Wrestling Championship. Speer is Troy's first State Wrestling Champion.

"The season went as expected; most of my goals were accomplished. It couldn't have gotten much better," said Speer.

As a whole, the wrestling team did well. At the wrap-up of the season Dalton Masters had a record of 8-10, and Alex Martinez, 7-11. They competed with the Doniphan West team.



"I feel like wrestling was a new experience. It's taught me new lessons about never giving up," said senior Dalton Masters.



**Top: Wrestling team:** Tristan Speer, Cadence King, Dalton Masters, and Alex Martinez  
**Photo by Juli Smith**

**Above: Tristan Speer wrestles an opponent at Doniphan West.**  
**Photo by Amy Masters**



**Left: Trojan Track Team:**  
**Front Row:** Kourtney Davies, Emma Collins, Jacklynn Clary, Lexi Norris, Holly Whetstine, Russell Ostertag, Jory Barnthson, Lauren Wigger.  
**Row 2:** Assistant Coach Douglas Fisher, Jarren Frump, Preston Robinson, Dalton Masters, Connor McNorton, Brandon Schofield, Head Coach Jared Wigger.  
**Photo by Lifetouch**

**Left Middle:** Freshman Lexi Norris competes in triple jump at Elwood.  
**Photo by Amy Masters**

**Below:** Senior Dalton Masters throws the shot put at Valley Heights.  
**Photo by Amy Masters**



**Left:** Freshman Jarren Frump sprints to the finish line in the 100-meter dash at the Valley Heights Meet.  
**Photo by Amy Masters**

# Baseball/Softball

The softball team was coached by Matt Allison for the fourth year, assisted by Abra Rush for the third year.

The Lady Trojans had a very spotty season. Having a season where you don't know how you will show up to play is very difficult. At the beginning of the season, the Lady Trojans had a rough time getting into the groove. When the end of the season rolled around, the Lady Trojans started to get the hang of things and began to perform to their best abilities.

When Regionals came around, the Lady Trojans got down to business. With their record of 8-11 the Lady Trojans were seeded number four in their regionals. For the first game of regionals, the Lady Trojans took on the Doniphan West Mustangs. The game seemed easy for the Lady Trojans as they won the game in three innings. By winning that, the Lady Trojans advanced to the second round of regionals and took on the McLouth Bulldogs. The game was do or die for the Trojans and it went to the bottom of the seventh inning. The game was 2-2 until the Bulldogs got a lucky hit, ending the Lady Trojans' season.

The baseball team was coached by Roger Purdy for his second year, assisted by new coach Todd Shifflett.

The Trojans had a very bright season. From the very beginning of the season, the Trojans played their best baseball. With a really good support system from the community, the Trojans were unstoppable.

For the first time in school history, The Trojan Baseball

Team made it to state! After beating undefeated Valley Falls at Regionals, the Trojans traveled to Great Bend to compete for the title. For their first game at state, the Trojans took on Ellis and won that game easily 5-0. Next the Trojans took on Little River, and fell short, 2-7. After being defeated, the Trojans were to play in the third-place game against Udall. The game seemed to go by fast and the Trojans had the game in the bag until the sixth inning when Udall came back and got up by one run, ending the game 8-9. The Trojans placed 4th in the state tournament.

**Right:** Freshman Blair Weishaar makes contact with the ball and drives it down the first-base line in the game against Heritage Christian.

**Below:** Junior Alex Schmilke steps towards the pitch as he prepares to swing. **Photos by Courtney Klaus**



**Above: The Trojan baseball team: Front Row:** Tyler Franken, Taylor Scherer, Alex Martinez, Daulton Jasper, Cuttar Huss, Dylan Langford **Row 2:** Chris Winkel, Brody Winder, Reid Greaser, Alex Schmilke, Wyatt Huss, Jake Ross, Caleb Winkel, Tristan Speer **Row 3:** Brant Hamilton, Cody Israel, Colton Masters, Tucker Morris, Head Coach Roger Purdy, Nathan Gaarder, Wil Smith, Luke Smith, Collin Jasper **Photo by Lifetouch**

## Game Statistics

Riverside	15-0	W
	17-2	W
Heritage Christian	16-1	W
	4-3	W
Maur Hill	11-1	W
	2-7	L
Oskaloosa	7-0	W
	7-6	W
McLouth	17-2	W
	15-5	W
Doniphan West	6-0	W
	15-5	W
Pleasant Ridge	14-1	W
	16-15	W
Atchison	12-0	W
Valley Falls	4-14	L
	7-8	L
Immaculata	17-0	W
	10-0	W
*Immaculata	8-2	W
*Valley Falls	8-6	W
**Ellis	5-0	W
**Little River	2-7	L
**Udall	8-9	L

\*Regional \*\* State



**Top:** Senior Baileigh Jenkins slides into third base as the McLouth third baseman fails to tag her.

**Above:** Senior Catcher Cody Israel catches a pitched ball and prepares to throw down to second base. **Photos by Courtney Klaus**



**Above:** The Lady Trojan softball team: **Front Row:** Claire Marriott, Holly Stegall, Kaylee Bennett, Alanie Stock, Baileigh Jenkins **Row 2:** Kylee Anthony, Lauren Hill, Alexis Horner, Andrea Stock, Morgan Jamvold, Brittany Klaus, Ashley Stock, Josie Smith **Row 3:** Kori Bennett, Allyson Budine, Kassi Meng, Madyson Guffy, Blair Weishaar, Jeanne Bergeonneau, Cailyn Anderson. **Photo by Lifetouch**

### Game statistics

Riverside	22-8	L
	10-4	L
Nemaha Central	9-3	W
	8-13	L
Maur Hill	19-2	W
	22-0	W
Oskaloosa	0-9	L
	0-10	L
McLouth	0-11	L
	0-4	L
Doniphan West	12-1	W
	15-0	W
Pleasant Ridge	4-7	L
	19-16	W
Atchison	1-11	L
Valley Falls	0-8	L
	1-8	L
Immaculata	10-1	W
	17-8	W
*Doniphan West	15-0	W
*McLouth	2-3	L
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Clubs cause interactions with the student body. Clubs are formed

Clubs are big commitments. Clubs help you share your views on several topics with others.



# Clubs

Several of the clubs participated in community activities.

Kayettes helped families in need throughout the year and decorated the gazebo at Christmas.

NHS hosted a blood drive around Thanksgiving break.

Student council planned and was in charge of setting up the old gym for the school dances.

FFA participated in a number of contests, held their community banquet, and hosted a 4-H day for the grade school students.

Drama Club sponsored the dinner theater and a speech meet and participated in "Trick or Treat So Tots Can Eat" at Halloween.

FBLA held a pop-tab fundraiser for the Ronald McDonald House and also participated in some contests.

SADD sponsored a fair towards the end of the year. The fair was to help students through 12 see issues that arise with bad decisions. SADD gained a new sponsor, Tanya Silvey.

help you better yourself. Clubs change your point of view.



Clubs form a bond between people. Clubs can be goofy or serious. Clubs are exciting.



**Far Left:** Senior Dalton Masters, junior Collin Jasper, sophomore Madison Marriott and freshman Blair Weishaar pose for a picture as winners of superhero day for spirit week hosted by STUCO.

**Above Middle:** Drama Club member Alex Stanton is Maid Marian in the *the Legend of Robin Hood . . . sort of.*

**Top:** Sophomore NHS member Nathan King lights the candle symbolizing his installation in office.

**Middle:** Sophomore FFA members Makayla Ross, Tabitha Porter, and Cheyenne Blanton give Mrs. Jessica Taliaferro a going away present at the FFA banquet.

**Bottom:** STUCO Sponsor Todd Shifflett and STUCO member Valerie Mott hang up lights for the Queen of Courts Dance.

**Left:** Sophomore FFA member Cheyenne Blanton helps a grade school student with a picture involving FFA.

Photos by Halli Wigger, Jessica Guffy, Courtney Klaus, Kylee Anthony and Baileigh Jenkins

your community. Clubs gain you respect. Clubs are fun.

# SADD/FBLA

SADD, Students Against Destructive Decisions, was sponsored by Mrs. Tanya Silvey. SADD members hosted a health fair towards the end of the year. The fair had different stations that taught kids what negative effects can come out of drugs, alcohol, and bad hygiene. This was Silvey's first year as the school nurse as well as the SADD sponsor.

SADD members worked various fundraisers throughout the school year. They worked a couple of concession stands to raise money for the upcoming fair. They also sold chocolate bars and raffled off themed baskets at a football game that helped the group get more booths for the fair. SADD members also took a trip to the grade school to speak with certain grades about bullying and hygiene.



"I loved being a part of SADD. My favorite part was the fair. I love teaching little kids about choices they should and shouldn't make."

-Claire Marriott

FBLA, Future Business Leaders of America, were sponsored by Mrs. Jene't Brown. The group attended the District 2 Conference, at Valley Falls High School. Many members placed in their events and, as a group took home 27 awards. There were four 1st-place awards received by three different members.

The State Leadership Conference was in Topeka. Only five members attended. A rough day was awaiting them as no one placed in any events.

FBLA members sold Redwheel for their annual fundraiser. This fundraiser helped them raise money for their annual field trip. Traditionally the group went to a Kansas City Chiefs' game, but since the Chiefs won so many games, the price of tickets escalated and the group decided not to go, saving their funds for another year.



"Everyone in FBLA did very well this year. We had a great team and it will only get better."

-Holly Stegall



**Top:** Senior Baileigh Jenkins hands a Tootsie Roll to a grade school student during a demonstration at the SADD fair. This demonstration helped show kids the bad effects of chewing tobacco.

**Photo by Courtney Klaus**

**Above:** Junior Jake Ross hands a pencil to a grade schooler while SADD members were teaching classes about bullying and hygiene.

**Photo by Jessica Guffy**



**Left:** Senior Claire Marriott shows some grade schoolers how many germs would be on their hands if they didn't wash them.

**Photo by Courtney Klaus**

**Below: FBLA Members:** Front Row: Megan Schmille, Ashley Stock, Trae Shelton. Row 2: Bailey Gronniger, Nathan King, Trevor Bembrick. Row 3: Holly Stegall, Nicole Stanton, Alex Stanton, Claire Marriott. Row 4: Sponsor Jene't Brown, Valerie Mott.

**Photo by Dylan Kitzman**



**Left: FBLA District Conference Competitors:** Ashley Stock, Megan Schmille, Trevor Bembrick, Bailey Gronniger, Holly Stegall, Trae Shelton. They all placed at this conference, with Shelton, Stegall, and Stock winning some firsts.

**Photo by Jene't Brown**



**Left: SADD members.** Front Row: Lauren Wigger, Bailey Gronniger, Jessica Burton, Claire Marriott, Kallie Koehler, Jessica Guffy, Courtney Klaus, Jake Ross. Row 2: Sponsor Tanya Silvey, Katrina Tharman, Kassi Meng, Alanie Stock, Bailey Winkel, Blair Weishaar, Mikaela Campbell, Breanna Smith. Row 3: Trey Jenkins, Lauren Hill, Andrea Stock, Alexis Norris, McKyla Barnthson, Baieigh Jenkins. Row 4: Nathan Gaarder, Braden Hansen, Alex Schmille.

**Photo by Martha-Jean Rockey**



# FFA

The FFA Chapter flourished under new direction. Miss Jessica Taliaferro, first-year teacher from Kansas State University, spear-headed several new ideas and continued old traditions.

The officers were President Dalton Masters, Vice President Halli Wigger, Secretaries, Tabby Porter and Taylor Scherer, Reporter Cadence King, Sentinel Cody Israel, and Treasurer Luke Smith.

Five girls attended National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. While there, the girls attended several sessions about leadership, listened to Rick Pitino speak about making good decisions, and toured the Louisville Water Company.

The FFA sponsored two breakfasts and also the Kansas Ag in the Classroom Postcard Contest. Officers prepared the prizes which consisted

of cups and candy.

As well as this, the FFA sponsored the annual blood drive and collected 30 units of blood. Members took turns working shifts and calling possible donors.

FFA members also created and constructed a picnic table for the city park.

FFA members also were extremely competitive in their Career Development Events. The Meats Judging Team received seventh place, the Floriculture Team received sixth place, the Food Science team received sixth, and the Poultry Judging Team received ninth place at their district contests.

Members also competed in speaking contests (Halli Wigger in extemporaneous and prepared, and Lauren Hill in creed), Dairy Products, Dairy Judging, and Livestock Judging.



FFA Adviser Ms. Taliaferro said, "I think that the FFA members had a lot of great achievements this year. I'm honored to have had to opportunity to work with such a great group of kids."



President Dalton Masters said, "I feel we were very successful this year and I think the FFA has a very bright future with all the young members. I hope we can keep the competition up."



**Above:** Junior Braden Grossman and sophomore Cole Thornberry give sophomore Taylor Scherer a boost to pop a wheelie after finishing their first agricultural mechanics project. Grossman fixed the motor and did several other mechanical renovations to his riding lawn mower.

**Photo by Jessica Taliaferro**

**Right:** Senior Dalton Masters donates blood and plasma on the Alex Machine during the FFA's annual blood drive. The FFA fell three units short of their goal.

**Photo by Halli Wigger**

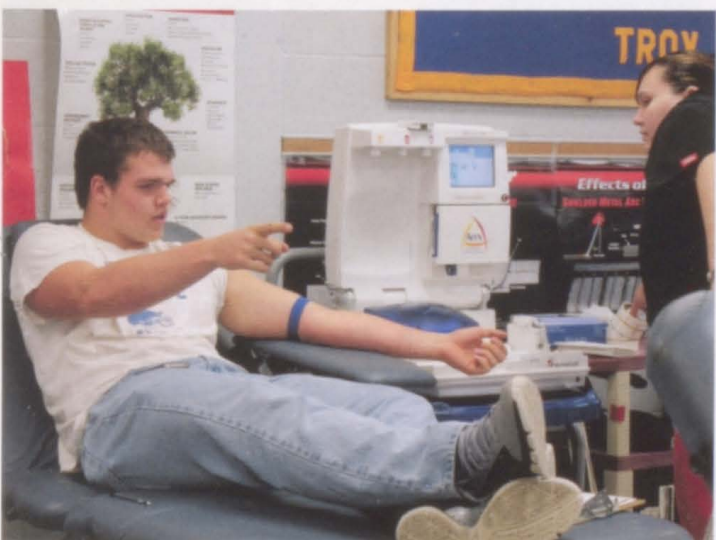


**Left:** 2013 - 2014 Troy FFA Chapter: **Front Row:** Cadence King, Luke Smith, Cody Israel, Dalton Masters, Halli Wigger, Tabby Porter, Ms. Taliaferro. **Row 2:** Russell Ostertag, Melinda Negonsott, Kylee Anthony, Braden Grossman, Cheyenne Blanton, Makayla Ross. **Row 3:** Baileigh Jenkins, Lauren Hill, Alexis Horner, Kolton Constant, Tanner Shelton. **Row 4:** Valerie Mott, Kassi Meng, Megan Schmille, Cole Thornberry.  
**Photo by Dylan Kitman**

**Far left:** Makayla Ross, Cheyenne Blanton, Alexis Horner, Kassi Meng, and Halli Wigger pose in front of the Louisville Convention Center during National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. While at convention, the girls participated in sessions, workshops, and tours of the area.  
**Photo by Jessica Taliaferro**



**Left:** Cheyenne Blanton, sophomore, helps a grade school student draw a postcard that represents agriculture in Kansas. The FFA sponsored the annual postcard contest in which members explained Kansas agriculture to grade schoolers so they could draw their representations.  
**Photo by Kylee Anthony**



**Above:** Seniors Kaylee Bennett and Baileigh Jenkins prepare pancakes for the fall FFA Breakfast. Students arrived at the school at 6 a.m. to cook and serve breakfast.  
**Photo by Jessica Taliaferro**

# T-Club/Stuco

T-Club had a very productive year. The club put on the alumni basketball tournament. Six teams participated in the tournament, and the team led by Austin Stock won.

The T-Club awarded the Fan of the Year Award to Mr. Donald Harter. This award recognizes a certain fan that goes above and beyond to show his pride for his school. Mr. Harter attended numerous games throughout the seasons and a member of the booster club for many years.

The officers of T-Club were Katrina Tharman, secretary; Cody Israel and Holly Stegall, co-vice presidents; and Trevor Bembrick, president. Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey was the advisor.

The president of student council was William Boeh, with Alex Stanton as vice president. Their sponsor was Mr. Todd Shifflett. The freshman representatives were Wil Smith and Kassi Meng. The sophomore representatives were Mackenzie Harbeston and Bailey Winkel.

The junior representatives were Valerie Mott, Destiny O'Donnell, and Alex Schmille.

Stuco sold suckers during Valentine's Day to help raise money for the decorations for the dances like Queen of the Dances and Homecoming. The club also helped put on the powder puff and buff puff activities during Homecoming Spirit Week.



"The basketball tournament ran very smoothly and I was glad everyone got along"

-- T-Club President Trevor Bembrick



"I enjoyed being the president of stuco, and I felt like we got a lot done."

- Stuco President William Boeh

**Top: T-Club officers and representatives. Front Row:** Sponsor Todd Shifflett, William Boeh, Alex Stanton. **Row 2:** Destiny O'Donnell, Valerie Mott, Alex Schmille. **Row 3:** Mackenzie Harbeston, Bailey Winkel. **Row 5:** Wil Smith, Kassi Meng. **Photo by Jessica Guffy.**

**Above:** Sophomores Cheyenne Blanton and Jacklynn Clary discuss the ongoing powder puff game against the freshman and senior team. **Photo by Trae Shelton.**



**T-Club: Front row:** Elizabeth Hale, Alex Stanton, Claire Marriott, Nicki Stanton, Katrina Tharman, Trevor Bembrick, Cody Israel, Holly Stegall, William Boeh, Nathan Gaarder. **Row 2:** Jessica Burton, Halli Wigger, Jessica Guffy, Courtney Klaus, Connor McNorton, Dalton Jasper, Baileigh Jenkins, Kaylee Bennett, Harley Huss, Makayla Ross. **Row 3:** Bailey Gronniger, Destiny O'Donnell, Braden Grossman, Jacob Ross, Ashley Stock, Breanna Smith, Trae Shelton, Valerie Mott, Megan Schmille. **Row 4:** Colton Masters, Tyler Franken, Derek Franken, Luke Smith, Caleb Winkel, Nathan King, Alex Winder, Bailey Winkel, Cheyenne Blanton. **Row 5:** Dylan Kitzman, Alex Schmille, Collin Jasper, Madison Marriott, Mikaela Campbell, Wil Smith, Brody Winder, Russell Ostertag, Jacklynn Clary. **Row 6:** Brant Hamilton, Taylor Scherer, Dalton Masters, Jacob Meng, Cailyn Anderson, Holly Whetstone, Cadence King, Wyatt Huss, Cutter Huss, Jarren Frump. **Photo by Martha-Jean Rockey**



"I really enjoyed working as a Stuco representative. I really liked decorating for dances and selling suckers." said Stuco representative Bailey Winkel.



**Above:** Stuco representative Destiny O'Donnell and Stuco vice president Alex Stanton decorate for Queen of Courts. **Photo by Trae Shelton.**



**Above:** Junior Valerie Mott strings lights to decorate for the Homecoming dance. **Photo by Trae Shelton.**

# Publications/ Quill & Scroll

Publications was taught by Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey. The staff consisted of seniors Jessica Guffy, Halli Wigger, Baileigh Jenkins, and Courtney Klaus; junior Trae Shelton; and sophomores Dylan Kitzman, Kylee Anthony, Nathan King, and Melinda Negonsott.

The class started the year by having the new students work on book assignments showing the correct way to design templates and learn the difference between good photos and bad ones. Each student made a portfolio of photos demonstrating different approaches.

The ones who took the class before worked on the templates for the yearbook that the publications class publishes every year. The class split into groups or worked alone and designed a small yearbook theme and then voted on what the theme for yearbook should be. Kylee Anthony's design of "Blue is" with a border design was selected as the theme of the *Trojan 2014*.

Publications also published the school's newspaper of seven issues, culminating in a special issue for graduation.

The staff had a few fundraisers such as running the concession stand and selling sports necklaces to raise money for the yearbook.

One thing different was that students were enrolled in publications in four different time frames, with *Trumpet* editor Halli Wigger not in class with most of the staff, and *Trojan* editors Baileigh Jenkins and Jessica Guffy also taking the class independent study, as did business manager and history book editor Courtney Klaus.

The staff also produced a history of Troy high school which had been started several years earlier. Each student expanded on history that had been written previously and Klaus was in charge of the book.

All students in publications placed in regionals at Kansas State University, qualifying them for State in May. At State, Troy took fifth place in class 2A at KU. Those who placed at KU were Braden Grossman, first in Cartooning; Holly Stegall, first in Yearbook Sports Writing; Halli Wigger, third in Editorial Writing; Jessica Guffy and Baileigh Jenkins, third in Yearbook Theme Development; and Trae Shelton for Academic Photography, Kylee Anthony in Editorial Writing and Photo Illustration, and Courtney Klaus for Yearbook Layout Design, all honorable mentions.



**Top:** Kylee Anthony looks for pictures in an old yearbook to scan to put into the history project. **Photo by Dylan Kitzman**

**Above:** 2013-2014 Quill and Scroll members: **Front Row:** Jessica Guffy and Courtney Klaus. **Row 2:** Baileigh Jenkins, Destiny O'Donnell, and Halli Wigger. Quill and Scroll is an international journalism honor society, with membership based on grades and excellence in an aspect of journalism. **Photo by Dylan Kitzman**



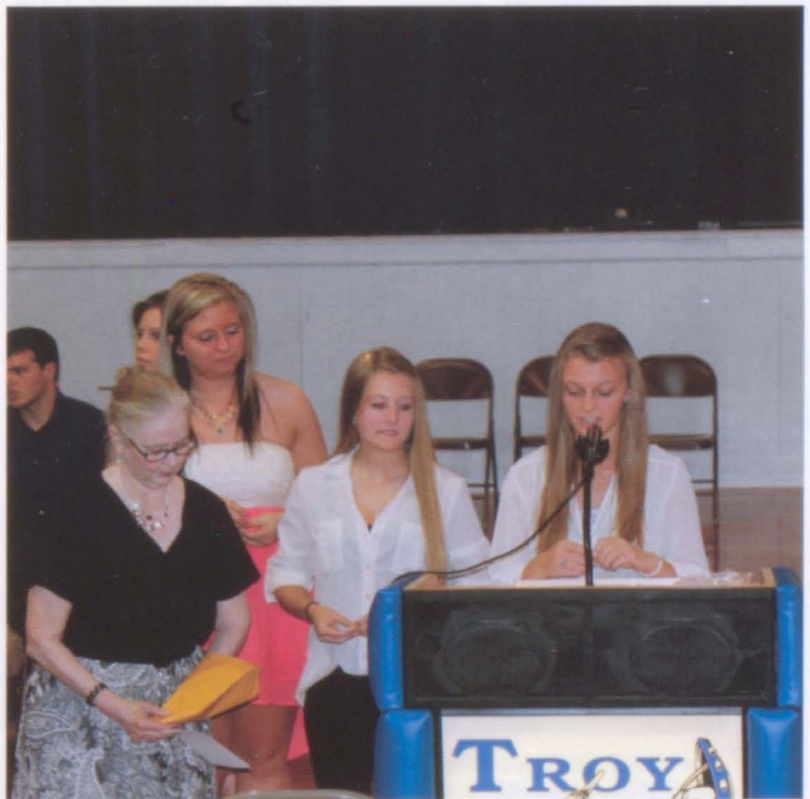
**Troy High School State Journalist Qualifiers: Front Row:** Nathan King, Courtney Klaus (business manager and editor of history book), Jessica Guffy (*Trojan* co-editor), Trae Shelton, Holly Stegall, and Baileigh Jenkins (*Trojan* co-editor). **Row 2:** Dylan Kitzman, Allyson Budine, Braden Grossman, Alanie Stock, and Halli Wigger (*Trumpet* editor). **Photo by Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey, adviser**

**Below:** Quill and Scroll members Courtney Klaus, Baieigh Jenkins, and Jessica Guffy with sponsor Martha-Jean Rockey induct members Trae Shelton and Nathan King into Quill and Scroll. **Photo by Tracey Klaus**



**Above:** Courtney Klaus edits layouts on the computer for the yearbook. She also competed in Yearbook Layout Design at KSPA contest.

**Photo by Dylan Kitzman**



**Left:** New publications staff members, Trae Shelton, Nathan King, Dylan Kitzman, and Kylee Anthony, are recognized for their hard work at Awards Night.

**Photo by Tracey Klaus**



# Kayettes/NHS/ Knowledge Bowl

Kayettes began as a service organization, and they helped decorate the gazebo on the town square at Christmas.

"We collected change for United Nations International Children's Fund (UNICEF) and sponsored a Thanksgiving dinner for a local family," said sponsor Juli Smith.

At Christmas they also had a Secret Santa gift exchange at school among the members.

National Honor Society members are characterized by four different criteria: leadership, scholarship, character, and service. To be invited into NHS, grades had to be at the minimum GPA of 3.4, which had to be maintained throughout high school.

A paper application and

resume and an interview with a panel of faculty members determined the students who would be accepted into NHS.

NHS also sponsored community service projects and held its annual blood drive. The sponsor of NHS was Jena Tharman.

Mr. Doug Fisher was the adviser of the THS Knowledge Bowl Team. For the first time in many years, the team hosted a meet, the league meet for the new league, the Twin Valley League. It was held in the middle school, and a number of teachers served as judges and moderators.

The team competed at five meets, with some members alternating which meets they would attend.



"As a NHS member, I believe we accomplished a lot this year. We cleaned up the park a couple of times and held the annual blood drive. I am looking forward to being the president of NHS next year. I hope to continue what we did this year and maybe establish a new tradition.

-junior Trae Shelton



"Secret Santa was my favorite thing because i loved watching my victims open their presents."

-junior, Morgan Jamvold



Above: Kayettes members Courtney Klause and Harley Huss help to decorate the gazebo.

Photo by: Mary Winder



Above: NHS Officers: Trae Shelton, president; Ashley Stock, vice president, Braden Grossman, secretary, and Nathan King treasurer.



**Left: National Honor Society. Front row:** Makayla Ross, Cailyn Anderson, Blair Weishaar, Ashley Stock, BreAnna Hirtler, Alex Stanton, Lauren Wigger. **Row 2:** Holly Stegall, Halli Wigger, Bailey Winkel, Madi Marriot, Kassi Meng, Lauren Hill, Allison Budine, Lexi Norris, Megan Etherton, and Emma Collins. **Row 3:** Cody Israel, Derek Franken, Nathan King, Collin Jasper, Jake Ross, Dalton Masters, Cole Thornberry, Tucker Morris, and Preston Duncan. **Row 4:** Nathan Gaarder, Trae Shelton, Cuttar Huss, Jay Whetstine. Connor McNorton, Tyler Franken, Braden Grossman, Ben Wardlow, and William Boeh. Not pictured: sponsor Jena Tharman  
Photo by Courtney Klaus



**Left: Kayettes Club. Front row:** Claire Marriott, Courtney Klaus, Jessica Guffy, Bailey Jenkins, Alanie Stock, Kaylee Bennette. **Row 2:** Andrea Stock, Lexi Norris, Blair Weishaar, Britteny Klaus, Alexis Horner. **Row 3:** Morgan Jamvold, Nicki Stanton, Alex Stanton, Bailey Gronniger, and Marissa Teague. Not pictured: sponor Juli Smith  
Photo by Martha-Jean Rocky

**Below:** William Boeh, Holly Stegall, and Trae Shelton visit before the league knowledge bowl meet starts.  
Photo by Nathan King



**Left: Knowledge Bowl team. Front row:** Elizabeth Hale, Emma Collins, Bailey Winkel, Holly Stegall, **Row 2:** Trae Shelton, Nathan King, Sponsor Douglas Fisher, William Boeh, Preston Duncan.  
Photo by Dylan Kitzman



# Drama Club

Drama club was one of the clubs offered at THS for the students to express themselves as individuals and to improve their acting skills. Drama club had one musical in the spring and one play during the fall.

The fall play was *The Legend of Robin Hood ... Sort of* which had Robin Hood (Trae Shelton) and his gang trying to take King John's (Dylan Kitzman) crown and keep it safe at least until the true king comes back.

For the first time in Troy High School history, the drama club participated in "Trick or Treat So Tots Can Eat," which was a national program for drama clubs across the nation to go out to their community at Halloween in costumes and collect food for hungry children. Participating members collected over 200 pounds of food for the food pantry in Highland, which helps serve Troy.



"Drama club has taught me a lot this year. For example, I learned how to do the lights for the plays. Being in drama club has helped me step out of my comfort zone."

-freshman Trey Jenkins

Then in early spring the drama club produced the musical, *The Nifty Fifties*, which was set in the fifties with the groovy cars, retro hair and odd clothing. One song even promoted the Edsel. A boy named Bob (Austin O'Connor) banged up Sinbad's (Dylan Kitzman) Harley so through the musical Bob hides, trying not to get caught by Sinbad, while Gracie (Lauren Wigger) tries to put together the coolest sock hop around. During intermission of Friday night's performance, the musical cast offered rootbeer floats as they did back in the fifties. The second night was the dinner theater.

In April the club members were responsible for hosting and working the annual invitational speech meet. Fourteen schools participated.



"My favorite part about being in drama club was when everyone was slacking off the first few weeks of play practice and then somehow pulled it together for the actual performance."

-senior Claire Marriott



**Top:** Sophomore Jory Barnthson sings "Oh Baby." Barnthson played the character "Ziggy Springer," a rock star, in the spring musical, *The Nifty Fifties*.

**Photo by** Baileigh Jenkins

**Above:** Drama Club seniors. **Front Row:** Alaina Davis, Elizabeth Hale, William Boeh, Dalton Masters. **Row 2:** Claire Marriott, Ale Stanton, Nicki Stanton. **Row 3:** Jessica Burton, Alanie Stock, Holl Stegall. **Row 4:** Cody Israel, Russell Ostertag, Katrina Tharman.

**Photo by** Amy Masters.



**Left:** Drama Club members  
**Front Row:** Sponsor Martha-Jean Rockey, Alex Stanton, Nicki Stanton, Cody Israel, Holly Stegall, William Boeh, Katrina Tharman, Elizabeth Hale. **Row 2:** Bailey Gronniger, Claire Marriott, Trae Shelton, Alanie Stock, Trevor Bembrick, Jessica Burton. **Row 3:** Ashley Stock, Allyson Budine, Lauren Wigger, Bailey Winkel, Mackenzie Harbeston, Ben Wardlow, Jory Barnthson. **Row 4:** Russell Ostertag, Jacob Meng, Nathan King, Cailyn Anderson, Connor McNorton, Trey Jenkins, Megan Schmille, Holly Whetstine, Lauren Hill. **Row 5:** Dylan Kitzman, Morgan Jamvold, Braden Grossman, Cole Thornberry, Megan Etherton, Emma Collins. **Row 6:** Angel Davis, Kassi Meng, Wyatt Huss, Jacklynn Clary, Cheyenne Blanton, Alexis Norris, Jarren Frump.

**Photo by Jessica Guffy**



**Left:** Sophomores Ben Wardlow and Nathan King argue about where Robin Hood is.

**Photo by Jessica Guffy**

**Below:** Sophomore Ben Wardlow is singing "The Blob" in the spring musical, *The Nifty Fifties*. He played Jughead, a teenage boy who is trying to help put on the perfect dance.

**Photo by Baileigh Jenkins**



**Left:** A group of drama club members participated in "Trick or Treat So Tots Can Eat." Afterwards they gathered in the old gym for pizza furnished by the booster club.

**Photo by Jessica Guffy**



Academics are important. Academics are intellectual. Academics are

Academics make you challenge yourself in many ways. Academics help students succeed.



# Academics

College classes that were each worth three college-credit hours through Highland Community College were available to students. The college classes were psychology, public speaking, and college algebra.

A 30-minute seminar placed after lunch was added to the curriculum. Each day of the week was something different for seminar: Mondays were silent reading, Tuesdays were based on the seminar theme, Wednesdays were study hall and meetings, Thursdays were

based on the seminar theme, and Fridays were Mr. Wigger's activities.

A few new classes were added to the schedule. Informal geometry, taught by Mr. Douglas Fisher; advanced biology, taught by Mr. Kevin McNorton; and strength and conditioning, taught by Mr. Todd Shifflett.

Electives continued to include art, music, weights, Spanish, industrial arts, agriculture, and publications.

surprisingly fun. Academics come in all varieties. Academics are

challenging. Academics are stimulating. Academics help you get scholarship opportunities.



**Far Left:** Flag team member Morgan Jamvold and band members Lauren Wigger, and Trevor Bembrick perform in the half-time show at a home football game.

**Left Middle:** Senior Kallie Koehler blindfolds senior Holly Stegall as Koehler conducts an experiment for psychology.

**Top:** Seniors Holly Stegall and Alanie Stock, along with junior Jake Ross, discuss the results of their psychology experiment.

**Middle:** Freshman Blair Weishaar bench presses in freshman weights.

**Bottom:** Senior William Boeh helps senior Katrina Tharman make an origami bird in college speech.

**Left:** Freshman Braden Hansen uses little pieces of magazine with Modge Podge on them to create a panda.

**Photos by** Baileigh Jenkins, Halli Wigger, Trae Shelton, and Kylee Anthony

the key to your future. Academics decide your future career.

# Science/Math

The math courses offered at Troy High varied from applied geometry to college algebra, and the science courses ranged from biology to chemistry. The faculty who taught math were Mrs. Michelle Newkirk and Mr. Douglas Fisher. Mrs. Newkirk taught more of the higher level math classes such as college algebra, whereas Mr. Fisher taught more lower level math such as pre-algebra and applied geometry.

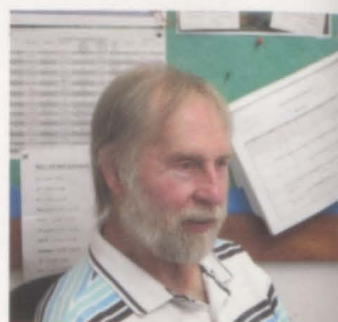
Mr. Kevin McNorton wasn't the only one to teach science this year. Mr. Chuck Lauritzen took over as a temporary substitute due to Mr. McNorton's absence. The class in which the most experiments took place was chemistry. Many different elements were used in these experiments. One of the most memorable experiments was when Trae Shelton and Valerie Mott created hydrogen by mixing hydrochloric acid with a transition metal. They then filled a balloon with this gas and then burned the balloon creating a small explosion. Another experiment, this one done by Jay Whetstine, was the burning of steel wool within a container filled with raw oxygen that made it burn much faster and produced larger flames. The science class had fun during their lab activities.

Meanwhile in math, Mr. Fisher and Mrs. Newkirk taught a little differently. The math teachers "flipped" their classrooms. A flipped classroom is a pedagogical model in which the typical lecture and homework elements of a course are reversed. The concept is to devote class time to application of concepts so that instructors had a better opportunity to detect errors in thinking. Some students didn't like the new teaching method. "I personally don't like it. I find it more difficult to learn," said sophomore Bailey Winkel. Many students' grades improved because of this new system.

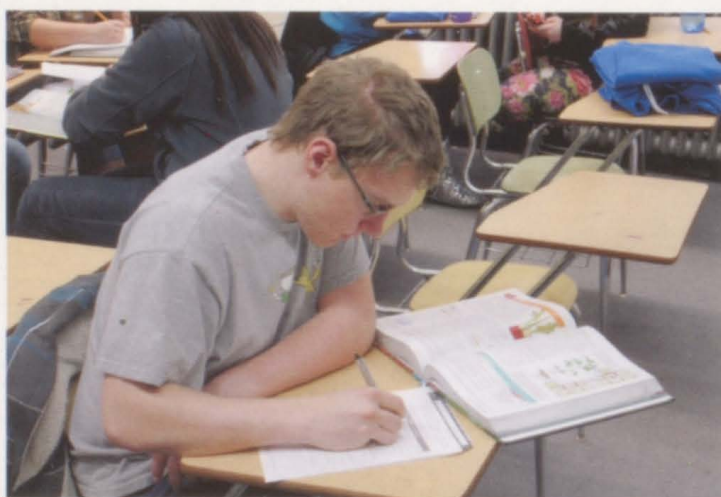
This was the last year at Troy for both math teachers.



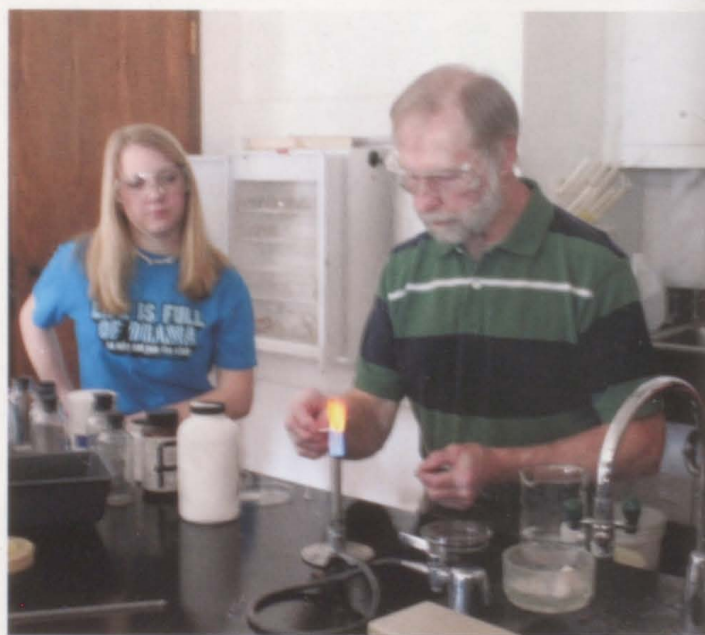
"I enjoyed teaching and coaching here. I wish I could be with you all next year," said Mr. Fisher.



"I've loved teaching here but I love the retired life. Especially sleeping in," said Mr. Lauritzen.



**Above:** Sophomore Ben Wardlow works on an assignment in advanced biology. **Photo by Nathan King**



**Right:** Junior Ashley Stock observes Mr. Lauritzen as he lights a Bunsen burner. **Photo by Nathan King**

**Middle Right:** Seniors Harley Huss and Trevor Bembrick discuss a business math assignment. **Photo by Nathan King**



**Top Left:** Algebra I teacher Mrs. Newkirk helps freshman Blair Weishaar on an assignment. **Photo by Nathan King**

**Top Right:** Seniors Chase Martin and Ryan Franken work out sample problems in business math. **Photo by Nathan King**

**Bottom Right:** Sophomore Bailey Winkel works on an advanced biology assignment. **Photo by Nathan King**

**Middle Right:** Sophomore Kylee Anthony gets help from Algebra I teacher, Mrs. Newkirk. **Photo by Nathan King**

# Spanish/English

English and Spanish were taught by Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey and Ms. Rosa Dolven. Mrs. Rockey taught English II, III, and IV, and public speaking for Highland Community College. Mrs. Dolven taught English I, III, and IV, and Spanish I and II.

English I started by reading novels and later moved into studying mysteries. They read mystery novels and short stories by Poe as well as stories about Sherlock Holmes. They then learned how to prepare themselves for research writing. By the end of the year, English I students read *Romeo and Juliet* by William Shakespeare.

English II studied mythology from the Greeks and Romans to the Norse myths. They then learned how to write and deliver an informative speech and get the audience's attention. By the end of the year they studied poetry and wrote a researched persuasive essay.

English III and English IV were taught together except for the second quarter. Students could choose which classes they wanted. Mrs. Rockey's English III and IV learned about British literature and early and modern American literature. The third quarter the juniors and seniors were separated. The juniors wrote a major research paper while the seniors wrote resumes, essays for scholarships, and investigated a possible career, which ended with a job-shadowing experience.

Public speaking began with the students doing a power point presentation on themselves. They then gave the following types of presentations: a demonstration, an informative speech, and a persuasive speech.

Spanish I started by learning to greet people. Then the Spanish I students learned more difficult things, such as telling about the sports and extra-curricular activities they participated in. They finished off the year by talking about food.

Spanish II was very small with only two students. Spanish II students knew enough Spanish to maintain and hold a conversation.



"English I was fun and very easy," said Angel Davis.



"English II had a lot more speeches and fewer videos. I thought it was fun because of all the research," said Kylee Anthony.



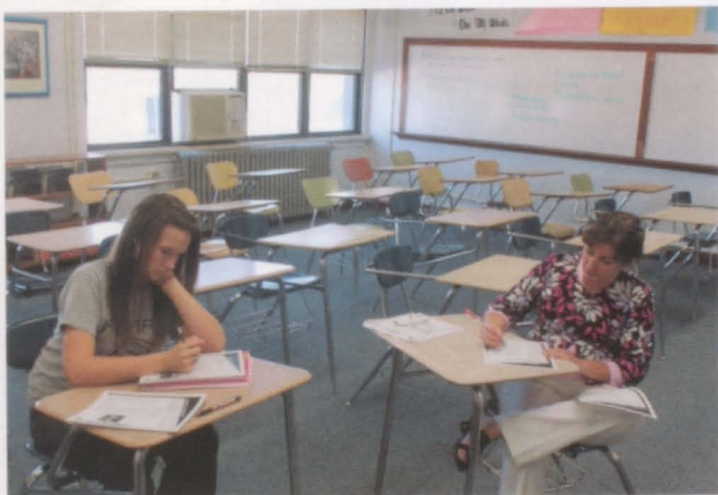
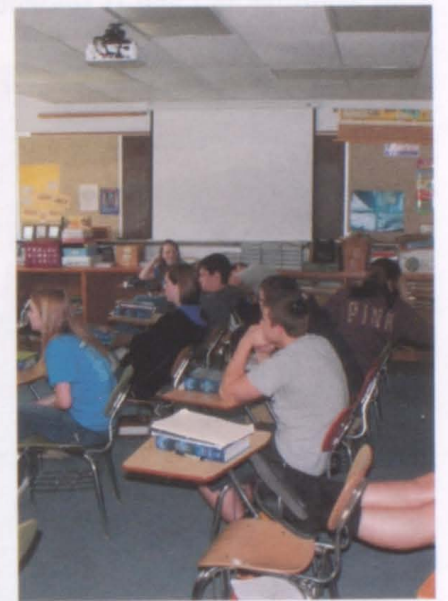
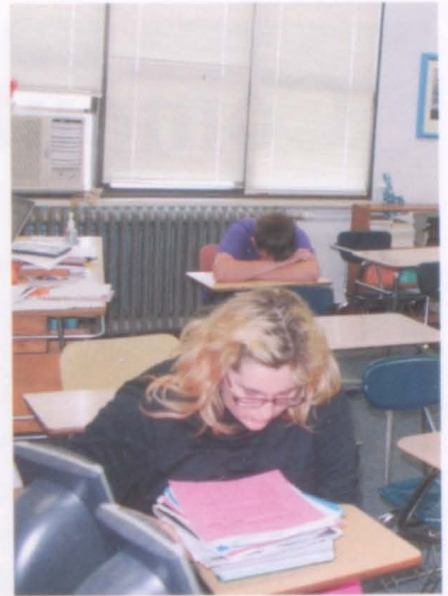
Above: Spanish I class works in the book on colors and descriptive words.

Photo by Dylan Kitzman



Above: Sophomore Cailyn Anderson gives a speech about her favorite books in 6th hour English II.

Photo by Halli Wigger



**Top Left:** William Boeh shows Katrina Tharman a step in making an origami object in public speaking. Origami was a practice run in teaching the class, prior to the demonstration speech.

**Top Right:** The English I class does book work while learning about English literature.

**Above:** The Spanish II class learns how to hold a conversation in Spanish with more depth.

**Above:** Tanner Shelton, Makayla Ross, Destiny O'Donnell, Jeanne Bergeonneau, and Wesley Clary work on a pinata for a project in Spanish class.

**Above Middle:** The English III/IV class watches *The Crucible* as part of the unit on the colonial period in early American literature class. The witch hunts then were compared to McCarthyism of modern times.

**Photos by Dylan Kitzman**

# Computers/Business

Mrs. Jene't Brown taught computer applications, desktop publishing, sports and entertainment marketing, and Multimedia I and II.

In computer applications, which was required for freshman, students learned how to use Microsoft office, Adobe Photoshop and I-Movie, a video editing application for creating movies or editing videos.

Students in desktop publishing and Multimedia I and II learned the basics of desktop publishing and creating publications using Adobe Indesign for the first semester and then went on to learn about Multimedia I for second semester.

In Multimedia I and II students made movies, created animations and worked with pictures and audio.

In sports and entertainment marketing students learned about sports and entertainment industries, and also how the entertainment industries are marketed.

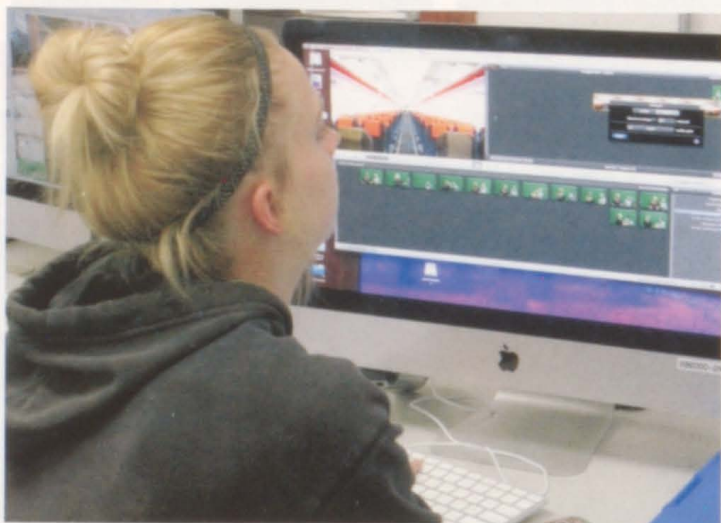
In entrepreneurship, students learned how to write a business plan, and they also learned how to run a real business. Also in entrepreneurship, the class bought different kinds of healthy snacks and stocked the vending machine. There were snacks like Oreos, baked chips, granola bars, pop tarts, and Chex mix. The snack machine was a big hit, and the students made about \$500 from it, with its only being operational second semester.



"My favorite thing about teaching is that I enjoy working with kids and I like showing students what they can do with technology," said computers and business teacher Jene't Brown.



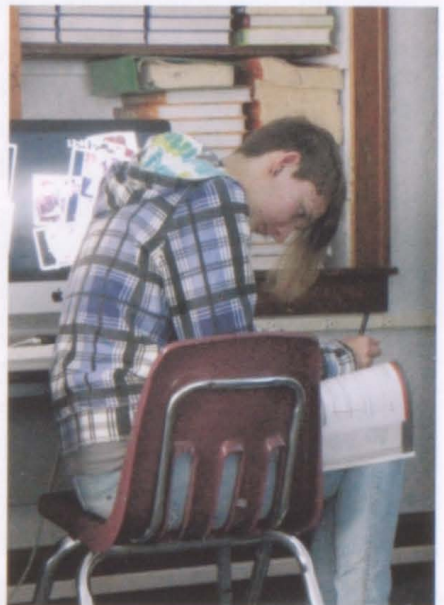
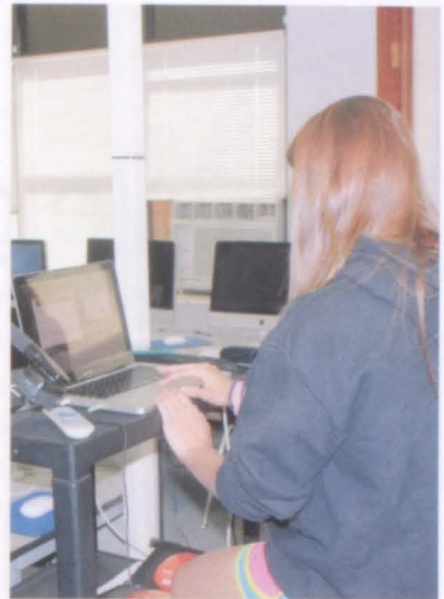
"My favorite part about desktop publishing is the fact that I can sync my iPod. I also really like working with Garageband," said sophomore Jory Barnthson.



Above: Sophomore Tabitha Porter working on an iMovie project in Desktop Publishing. Photo by Mrs. Jene't Brown

Right: The entrepreneurship class on a trip to Atchison to see other technology that is available. Photo by Mrs. Jene't Brown





**Top:** Junior Isaac Christian and senior Zach Huff stock the vending machine in their entrepreneurship class.

**Photo by Mrs. Brown**

**Above:** The freshmen computer applications class begins to work on a new project. **Photo by Melinda Negonsott**

**Above:** Sophomores Cadence King and Chris Winkel act out a scene for their green-screen project in desktop publishing.

**Top Right:** Sophomore Cailyn Anderson looks for songs on Mrs. Brown's laptop to use for a project in desktop publishing.

**Above Middle:** Freshman Bailey Schofield works on an assignment in computer applications.

**Photos by Mrs. Brown**

# P.E./Weights/History

P.E classes were taught by Derek Jasper and Todd Shifflett. Jasper taught middle school P.E. classes along with two freshmen P.E. classes. Shifflett taught two strength and conditioning classes along with middle school social studies.

For the strength and conditioning classes, Shifflett had different workouts for every day of the week; every day was to work on a different muscle in the body. He would also make his classes do conditioning two days a week. In Jasper's P.E. classes, he would also make his students lift weights; they just weren't as hardcore as the strength and conditioning weights classes. Jasper would give his classes days off where they could pick a game such as mat ball.

The history classes were all taught by Mr. Jeremy Prudden. The classes were government (required for seniors), American history (required for juniors), world history, and geography.

In the government classes, Mr. Prudden taught the students about how the government works and about the secrets of the government.

In American history, the students learned about the different wars and disputes that America has been involved in.

In world history, the students learned about many different things that happened throughout the ancient world.

In geography, the students learned how to efficiently use maps and about different countries, their geography, resources, and exports.



"History is a lot of fun this year and the best part is watching videos." said senior William Boeh.



"P.E and weights are fun, mainly because we get to play games," said freshman Kourtney Davis.



**-Above:** Brandon Schofield lifts dumbbells in first-hour strength and conditioning.  
Photo By Kylee Anthony



**Above:** Nathan King and Megan Etherton work on class assignments in history class.  
Photo By Dylan Kitzman



**Top:** Mr. Prudden gives a lecture while students follow key points in their history books.

**Photo By Kylee Anthony**

**Above:** Lexi Norris and Brittany Klaus do a few crunches during the freshman P.E class.

**Photo By Kylee Anthony**

**Top:** Connor McNorton lifts weights in the weight room during P.E class.

**Photo By Kylee Anthony**

**Above middle:** Josie Smith takes notes in history class.

**Photo by Dylan Kitzman**

**Bottom right:** Blair Weishaar bench presses a few reps with the 45-pound bar during weights.

**Photo by Kylee Anthony**

# Ag/I. Arts

Students enrolled in industrial arts and ag classes to enjoy the hands-on activities and creative designs to make ordinary objects into usable furniture. Ms. Jessica Taliaferro and Mr. Gene Velharticky were the teachers for these classes.

Mr. Velharticky taught four high school IA classes and one middle school class. The classes were Industrial Arts I, Industrial Arts II, Advanced Industrial Arts I, and Advanced Industrial Arts II as well as middle school industrial arts.

Industrial Arts I had to make a Arcadian stool so that they could get the feel of how to use the tools and programs. Industrial Arts II, III, and IV worked on more difficult projects that they choose and made. Students used Autocad to make designs or blueprints, which they then used to build their projects. One project of the more advanced classes was to make large footballs for Homecoming.

Ms. Taliaferro taught five high school ag classes and one middle school ag class and was the sponsor of FFA. The classes taught were ag welding, ag mechanics, ag business, horticulture, agriscience, and middle school ag.

Ag welding taught students about welding projects and what they could make with different types of welds and metals.

Ag business taught students about business expenses and the proper way to run a business.

Horticulture taught students how to plant seeds, and about the uses of the plants. The horticulture students raised tomato plants for sale in the spring.

All of the ag students participated through FFA in a variety of content-related contests.



“I enjoyed horticulture a lot,” said sophomore Jeanne Bergeonneau.



“I thought the year went well. I learned many things I didn't know much about before. It was fun at times; others it was stressful. I enjoyed doing hands on things with my classmates,” said sophomore Cheyenne Blanton.



**Above:** Alaina Davis sands a wooden leg for her Arcadian Stool in second hour Industrial Arts I.  
**Photo by Dylan Kitzman**



**Above:** Senor Holly Stegall cuts pieces of wood for her segmented bowl. This was one of her major projects.  
**Photo by Dylan Kitzman**



**Top Right:** Taylor Sherer uses an electric sander to sand the top piece of his Arcadian stool. **Photo by Trae Shelton**  
**Above:** Cheyenne Blanton tightens a nut on a gas canister with Mrs.T. **Photo by Kylee Anthony**  
**Top Left:** Mr.V helps Lauren Hill with her IA project on the computer with Autocad. **Photo by Halli Wigger**

**Above:** Cammi Sparks sands her Arcadian stool after applying poly. **Photo by Dylan Kitzman**  
**Above Middle:** Jeanne Bergeonneau plants seed. Bergeonneau was a foreign exchange student from France. **Photo by Kylee Anthony**

Fine arts bring out your inner creativity. Fine arts help with expression.

Fine arts can help you understand other cultures. Fine arts provide an outlet for creativity.



# Fine Arts

Many fine arts accomplishments were seen throughout the year. The speech team brought back 56 medals and five plaques. Students earned high ratings at the first TVL Art Day, with 12 gold medals, and 19 other awards of recognition. At HCC Art Day, they earned four awards. Thirteen students placed in regional journalism, and eight students placed in state.

The drama department presented the fall

play and spring musical. The fall play was a corny look at the legend of Robin Hood, and the spring musical, *The Nifty Fifties*, portrayed several students in high school trying to have a sock hop in the 1950s.

The Troy Marching Band went to Florida for the Walt Disney Thanksgiving Day Parade. The band and choir presented a winter concert and a 1950s-themed spring concert. Two music students went to state Art, drama, and music students participated in Fine Arts Night.

46 Fine arts are colorful. Fine arts reach out to all students.

Fine arts are stress relievers. Fine arts are alternatives to sports.



Fine arts show your inner imagination. Fine arts let you be yourself. Fine arts are productive.



**Far Left:** Senior William Boeh, junior Trae Shelton and sophomores Bailey Winkel and Mackenzie Harbeston sing "Take me back to the Nifty Fifties" in the spring musical.

**Left Middle:** Senior Holly Stegall, freshman Blair Weishaar, and eighth grader Sierra Christopher march in the K-State Band Day Parade.

**Top:** Junior Ashley Stock performs "3rd Movement of Concerto in A Minor" at Fine Arts Night, with Mrs. Elder.

**Middle:** Sophomore Bailey Winkel performs "Finding Treasure," an IDA, with Trae Shelton at Fine Arts Night.

**Bottom:** Junior Ally Budine sings "House of the Rising Sun" as Mr. Allison plays guitar at Fine Arts Night.

**Left:** Seniors Holly Stegall and William Boeh hair spray William's hair for the fall play.

**Photos by** Jessica Guffy, Courtney Klaus, Baileigh Jenkins, Candy McNorton

Fine arts challenge all students. Fine arts help with people skills.

# 'The Legend of Robin Hood... Sort Of'

The Drama club put on *The Legend of Robin Hood... Sort of*, a humorous updating of a traditional tale by Pat Cook, as the fall play. The play is set in the old days or maybe never.

Gone are the Merry Men, but in their places are the Merry Maids. The Merry Maids were Ashley Stock, Lauren Wigger, Bailey Winkel, Claire Marriott, Morgan Jamvold, Allyson Budine, Emma Collins, Angel Davis, Ashley Mollus, McKyla Barnthson, Jeanne Bergeonneau, Holly Whetstine, Madison Marriott, Cailyn Anderson, Mackenzie Harbeston, and Megan Etherton. The Merry Maids presented a pre-show to set up the characters and the scene.

The classic characters of Robin Hood (Trae Shelton), Maid Marian (Alex Stanton), Kings John (Dylan Kitzman) and Richard (Dalton Masters), Little John (William Boeh), Friar Tuck (Ben Wardlow), and the Sheriff of Nottingham (Nathan King) still remained but a new character had been added: Witch Waye (Nicki Stanton), the witch of the wood who insists on speaking in rhyme and adding confusion to the plot. There were lots of word play and sword fights.

The cast weren't the only people that tried hard to attend every practice. There were two student directors who kept the cast in line and keep the practices going: Elizabeth Hale and Holly Stegall.

Also contributing to the success of the play were dance choreographer, Jessica Burton; fight choreographer, Braden Grossman; light-board operator, Katrina Tharman; and sound-board operator, Megan Schmille.

"This play is very entertaining. We don't have to do great theater all the time. The cast portrayed the characters very well. I got a lot of compliments from spectators. I thought the audience was very receptive and I thought they caught the humor," said Director Martha-Jean Rockey.

"The play went a lot better than I thought it would. Our actors and actresses are amazing and did an awesome job. I'm so glad I helped with it." - senior Elizabeth Hale, student director



**Above:** Little John (William Boeh) and Robin Hood (Trae Shelton) fight with staffs to see who is greater and to see who will cross the river first. **Photo by Jessica Guffy**



**Left:** Merry Maids finish the dance to show Robin Hood and Little John what their fighting force is like.  
**Photo by Baileigh Jessica**

**Below:** The Sheriff of Nottingham (Nathan King) threatens to kill Friar Tuck (Ben Wardlow) if Robin Hood doesn't fight him.  
**Photo by Jessica Guffy**



**Above: Front Row:** Jarren Frump, Madison Marriott, Holly Whetstine, Jeanne Bergeonneau, Mackenzie Harbeston, Cailyn Anderson, Angel Davis, and Ashley Mollus  
**Row 2:** Tyler Christopher, Jacklynn Clary, Dylan Kitzman, Nicole Stanton, Trae Shelton, Alex Stanton, McKyla Barnthson, Allyson Budine, Emma Collins, Alaina Davis, Andrea Stock, and Braden Hansen  
**Row 3:** Cole Thornberry, Bailey Gronniger, Nathan King, Ben Wardlow, Dalton Masters, Jory Barnthson, Elizabeth Hale, Trey Jenkins, Russell Ostertag, and Lauren Hill  
**Row 4:** Megan Schmille, Braden Grossman, Holly Stegall, William Boeh, Cody Israel, Connor Mcnorton, and Lexi Norris  
**Row 5:** Katrina Tharman, Jessica Burton, Alanie Stock, Claire Marriott, Ashley Stock, Bailey Winkel, Lauren Wigger, Morgan Jamvold, Megan Etherton, Wil Smith, Wyatt Huss, Kassi Meng, and Kori Bennett.

**Photo by Jessica Guffy**



**Left:** King John (Dylan Kitzman) congratulates the Sheriff of Nottingham (Nathan King) on capturing Robin Hood and devises a plan to capture Robin Hood's men. **Photo by Baileigh Jenkins**



*"I couldn't have asked for a better play. It was a good way to end my high school fall play experience," said senior Alex Stanton*



*"I thought the play went well and I was happy to be the goofy sheriff," said sophomore Nathan King.*



*"The play itself was good, but it was the people who made it great. It was my favorite play to be in because of the wonderful cast.," said Nicole Stanton.*

# Spring Musical

The musical *The Nifty Fifties* was a nostalgic showstopper that "rocked and rolled" all the way around the block.

The musical took the audience back to a more simple time. In the musical a girl named Gracie (Lauren Wigger) really wants to have a sock hop in the local luncheonette. But the snotty "teen queens" disapprove of having the school dance in such a place as a luncheonette because it makes them sick. So Gracie thinks of an alternative way to get everyone's attention.

She says that her "cousin," Ziggy Springer (Jory Barthson), who is a famous singer, will sing at the event. Throughout the production she has many problems with getting him there and with whether or not the dance can even go on. In the end everyone enjoys the dance and, surprisingly, Ziggy shows up.

The musical references many classic iconic items that pertain to the fifties. For example, cola, poodle skirts, slicked-back hair, rolled-up jeans, the Edsel, and pressed shirts are all represented.

The production was directed by Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey.



**Above:** "Teen Queens" McKyla Barnthson, Claire Marriott, and Emma Collins tell Gracie how they feel about her idea. **Photo by Jessica Guffy**

**Right:** Nathan King, Ashley Stock, and Allyson Budine mock the "Teen Queens."

**Photo by Baileigh Jenkins**

// The spring musical was so much fun. I was so blessed to be a part of it, and I love the good ole' 50s."

-Claire Marriott





**Left:** Ben Wardlow and Trae Shelton sing "The Blob." **Photo by Jessica Guffy**

**Below:** Teen Queens apologize for doubting Gracie, after Ziggy showed up for the dance. **Photo by Jessica Guffy**



**Above: The Spring Musical Cast:** **Front row:** Ben Wardlow **Row 2:** Allyson Budine, Ashley Stock, Jennifer Keller, Bailey Gronniger, William Boeh, Austin O'Connor. **Row 3:** Angel Davis, Megan Etherton, Dylan Kitzman, Claire Marriott, Nicki Stanton, Alex Stanton, Katrina Tharman, Bailey Winkel, Trae Shelton, Mackenzie Harbeston. **Row 4:** Jessica Burton, Alaina Davis, Kori Bennett, Jacklynn Clary, Emma Collins, Reid Greaser, Lexi Norris, McKyla Barnthson, Lauren Wigger, Nathan King, Elizabeth Hale, Jory Barnthson, Alanie Stock, Director Martha-Jean Rockey. **Row 5:** Connor McNorton, Cole Thornberry, Holly Stegall, Cody Israel, Jarren Frump, Tyler Christopher, Megan Schmile. **Photo by Jessica Guffy**



*"This was my first musical. It was really fun and a lot of work. My favorite part was mocking the "teen queens."*

- Ashley Stock



*"Nothing can take away the experience I have gained from the musicals, nor will I ever forget the time I had."*

-Katrina Tharman



*"I enjoyed it a lot; it was very fun, and I enjoyed everyone I worked with. I am grateful for the experience I gained"*

- Mackenzie Harbeston

# Art

The attendance in art class increased drastically, with more students taking art as an elective. Almost 70 percent of the school took an art class, almost 80 students!

"It's been a transition dealing with so many students but it's nice seeing the interest growing in art," Mr. Roger Purdy, art instructor, said.

Thursday, March 27, THS art students and Mr. Purdy attended the TVL art show and contest at Doniphan West High School. The students displayed their pieces and participated in some on-site contests.

One of those competitions was to design a poster, themed "Out of This World." The team of Dylan Kitzman, Ben Wardlow, Emma Collins, and Lauren Wigger took first place. The other team that took first in an on-site competition was the team of Kylee Anthony, Nicki Stanton, and Alex Stanton in the sidewalk chalk competition, also themed "Out of This World."

In all, 12 gold medals, 11 Certificates of Merit, and 8 honorable mentions were given to Troy High School students.

Another opportunity to show off hard work arose when Highland Community College opened for Art Day. At HCC Art Day students experienced new things. Students entered random contests like "inch by inch" where kids made a sculpture out of a small one-inch by one-inch piece of clay and a portrait contest where they could draw a self portrait or draw a portrait of a friend. Also some kids got their pictures taken by college students and got to print them off and keep them.

"All in all this year was pretty successful and I think everyone did well, according to their abilities. It's been a good year," said Mr. Purdy.



**Above:** Senior Alex Stanton works at painting a sunset scene on a surfboard to be kept in the classroom. This replaced the annual senior tile project.

**Photo by Kylee Anthony**



**Above:** Freshman Reid Greaser creates a picture with torn-up papers and a model to look at.  
**Photo by** Kylee Anthony

**Below:** Nathan Gaarder and Destiny O'Donnell discuss different approaches on a project.  
**Photo by** Kylee Anthony



/// I'd definitely tell any freshman to take art because it's an easy class and it's super fun to paint, draw and mold. -senior Alex Stanton //



**Above:** TVL Art Day participants. **Front Row:** Jory Barnthson, Kylee Anthony, Andrea Stock, Dylan Kitzman, Lauren Wigger, and Emma Collins. **Row 2:** Nathan Gaarder, Derek Franken, Jake Ross, Courtney Klaus, Makayla Ross, Madi Marriott, Cailyn Anderson, Holly Whetstine, Kaylee Bennett, and Chris Winkel. **Row 3:** Baileigh Jenkins, Alex Stanton, Bailey Winkel, Mackenzie Harbeston, Nicki Stanton, Britney Klaus, Lexi Norris, Jay Whetstine, Brody Winder. **Row 4:** Bailey Schofield, Liz Hale, Nathan King, Jacklynn Clary, Jeanne Bergeonneau, Ryan Franken, Blaire Weishaar, Ben Wardlow, Tucker Morris, and Preston Duncan.  
**Photo by** Jessica Guffy



*"Art was fun; my favorite part was making my clay box." said junior Megan Schmile.*



*"My last year of art was bitter sweet, but there's a lot of things I learned that I'll take on to college with me," said senior Nicki Stanton.*

# Music department expands

*Band/Choir welcomes Flags/Baton*

The major event of the year for the band was the Thanksgiving Day Parade of Bands in Florida. They performed on Thanksgiving Day in front of Mickey's Hat at Disney World. They spent the previous year doing many fundraisers to help raise money for this event. Another performance for the band was at K-State Band Day, where they played songs with other high school bands and the K-State Marching Band.

At the state competition in Atchison, the band received a II rating. Ashley Stock earned a I rating on her violin solo at regionals and a II rating at state. Likewise, Allyson Budine received a I rating for her vocal solo at regionals and a II rating at state.

The Troy High School Choir consisted of 13 members. They participated in the Veteran's Day assembly and also sang at the community building when Santa came to town. Throughout the football and basketball seasons the choir sang the "Star Spangled Banner" a few times. At the regional contest, the choir received a II rating.

A new addition to the band was the flag team. It consisted of six girls. They attended the Thanksgiving Day Parade of Bands and K-State Band Day with the band. They also performed a routine at half-time of one of the basketball games.

Halli Wigger was the only twirler. She also attended the Thanksgiving Day Parade of Bands and K-State Band Day. Throughout the year she performed at many football and basketball games. She even performed with her Kiddie baton twirlers. They were a group of young girls that were taught how to twirl by Wigger.

Together the band and choir performed two concerts. One was during the holiday season and the other was in the spring. The concert in the spring had the theme *A Fifties Sock Hop*. This concert was different because it consisted of not only the band and choir, but also a jazz band. All together these groups played songs from artists ranging from Jerry Lee Lewis to Elvis Presley. During the performances the crowd was urged to come to the gym floor and dance.

**Right:** Senior Claire Marriott dances with Christian Griffin to a slow song during the spring sock hop concert.

**Photo by.** Tracey Klaus



It [band] has been a blast. We as a group have accomplished a lot.

-William Boeh





**Left:** Seniors William Boeh and Nicki Stanton, and sophomores Mckyla Barnthson and Tyler Christopher play "Party Rock Anthem" while marching in the K-State Band Day Parade. **Photo by Candy McNorton**

**Below:** THS choir sings "Swinging with the Saints" by Mark Hayes during Fine Arts Night. **Photo by Courtney Klaus**



**Above: Troy High School Band and Flag team. Front Row:** Lauren Hill, Ashley Stock, Emma Collins, Halli Wigger, Andrea Stock, Destiny O'Donnell, Morgan Jamvold. **Row 2:** Isabella Minor, Holly Stegall, Josie Smith, Jennifer Keller, Allie Weis, Kourtney Davies, Brittany Klaus, Blair Weishaar. **Row 3:** Alex Stanton, Angel Davis, Brylee Weidmer, Kassidy Ashworth, Cheyenne Wigger, Sierra Christopher, Amanda Stock, Mackenzie Harbeston, Megan Schmille. **Row 4:** Nathan King, Cole Thornberry, Lauren Wigger, Lizzie Hinds, Lane Etherton, Trae Shelton, Andrew Nett, Gus Collins, Mckyla Barnthson, Nicki Stanton. **Row 5:** Austin O'Connor, Katrina Tharman, Ben Wardlow, Connor McNorton, Braden Grossman, Alexis Norris, Cheyenne Wigger, Trevor Bembrick, Owen Root. **Row 6:** Claire Marriott, William Boeh, Tyler Christopher, Director Matt Allison, Megan Etherton, Alanda Jamvold, Bailey Winkel.

**Photo by Lifetouch**



*"The best part about twirling is getting to twirl with the kiddos. It's just the rush you get when you are doing it; it just puts a smile on your face."*

**-Halli Wigger**



*"We had another great year in music. The trip to Orlando was great and everyone did really well at the concerts. I am really proud to be a part of this program."*

**-Ashley Stock**



*"Being on the flag team was cool. I really enjoyed it. I would like to do it again next year. I hope that other students have the opportunity to be on the flag team in the future."*

**-Emma Collins**

# Speech

The speech team saw growth and success. As a team, they received one first place, three third places, one second place, and one fifth place.

Through the season, the team competed at Sabetha, Jefferson County North, Royal Valley, the TVL meet at Hanover, Basehor-Linwood, Riverside, Nemaha Valley, and finally the state competition at Kansas City Community College.

Fine Arts Night and the State Speech Festival were the pinnacle of the season. Seven speech performances were given on Fine Arts Night.

Seven members received gold medals at the State Speech Festival: Alex Stanton ("I'm Not Batman"), Nicki Stanton ("Born of Man and Woman"), Halli Wigger ("Why Do We Laugh?" for informative and in extemp), Nathan King ("The Night the Ghost Got In"), Ashley Stock ("The Lorax") and Allyson Budine ("The Lady of Shalott").

Silver went to Katrina Tharman ("The Scarlet Ibis"), Holly Stegall ("Moxon's Master"). Trae Shelton ("The Big Picture"), and IDA teams of Shelton and Bailey Winkel and King and Ben Wardlow.



Above: Bailey Winkel, sophomore, and partner Trae Shelton, junior, perform an IDA skit at Fine Arts Night. Their prompts were an astronomer, a bike repair man, and running in the park. The duo received a II at the State Speech Festival the next day.  
Photo by Tracey Klaus

**"**Life's full of drama, so join the club."**"** -Theme





**Left:** Seniors Alex Stanton, Katrina Tharman, and Nicki Stanton anxiously await results of the serious solo acting. At one meet, all three placed in the category.

**Photo by Trae Shelton**

**Below:** Junior Trae Shelton explains the faces he always seems to make during school pictures in his humorous solo "The Big Picture" at Fine Arts Night.

**Photo by Tracey Klaus**



**Above: THS Speech Team: Front Row:** Katrina Tharman, Bailey Winkel, Trae Shelton, Holly Stegall, Ashley Stock, Martha-Jean Rockey. **Row 2:** Ben Wardlow, Ally Budine, Nathan King, Halli Wigger, Claire Marriott. **Row 3:** Lauren Wigger, Nicki Stanton, Alex Stanton, Mackenzie Harbeston. **Row 4:** Megan Etherton, Dalton Masters, Tyler Christopher, Dylan Kitzman.

**Photo by Jessica Guffy**

**Left:** Senior Claire Marriott performs her prose interpretation "The Unicorn in the Garden" by Thurber at Fine Arts Night.

**Photo by Tracey Klaus**

**Right:** State Speech Contestants: **Front Row:** Katrina Tharman, Nicki Stanton, Alex Stanton, Ashley Stock, Trae Shelton, Martha-Jean Rockey. **Row 2:** Halli Wigger, Ally Budine, Nathan King, Bailey Winkel, Ben Wardlow, Holly Stegall. **Photo by Lyle Rocky**



*"I love speech because it gives you an outlet to be who you really want to be, and it allows you to break away from the athletic standards of a small school." - Nathan King*



*"I am really proud of how great the team did this year." - Alex Stanton*



*"We had a great season and I look forward to recruiting new people into forensics next year." - Ashley Stock*

People are opinionated. People are challenged by responsibilities

People should be positive about life. People endure hardships. People like to celebrate life.



# People

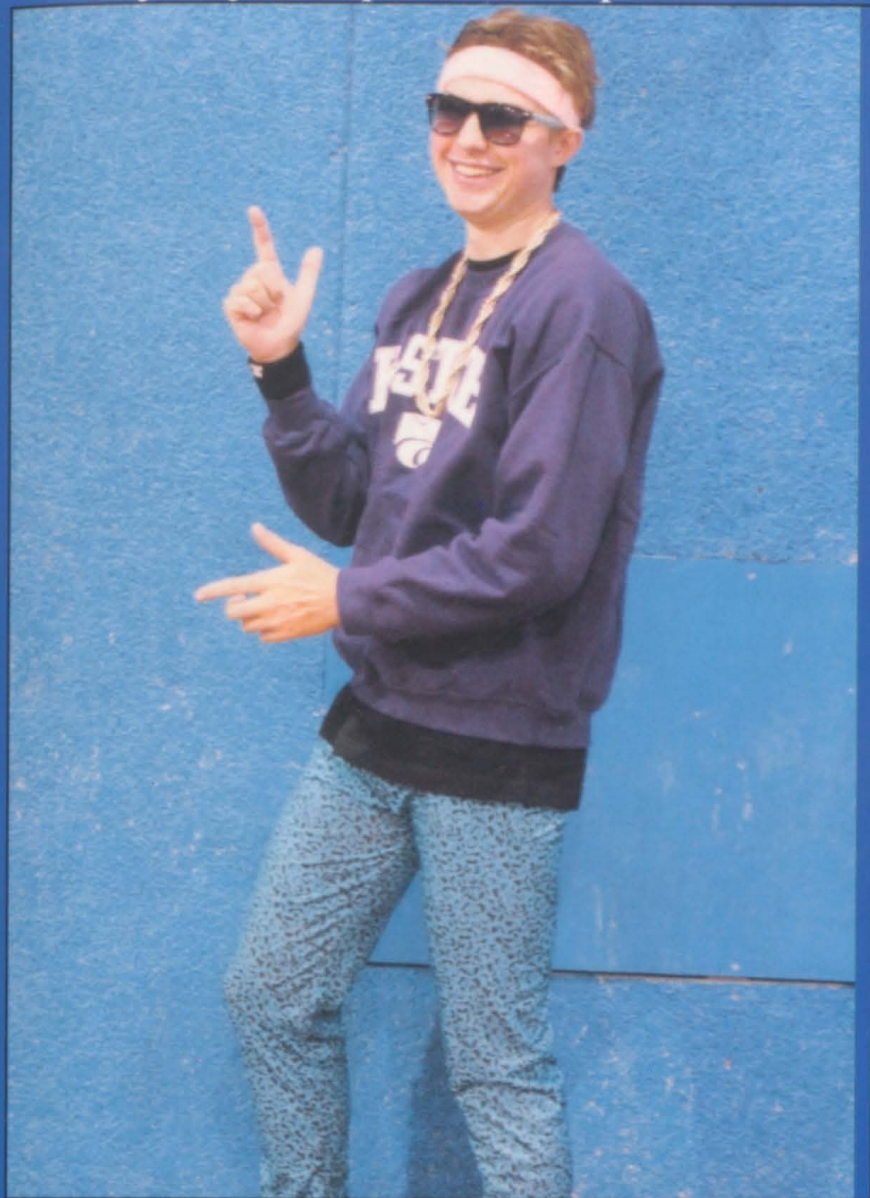
New improvements and traditions were presented during the school year. Most students participated in desk-work activities. The student population stood at 116, which was one more than 2013.

Some students were new to the school year: returning freshman Kourtney Davies, freshman Breanne Hirtler, sophomore Cammie Sparks, sophomore Tabitha Porter,

sophomore Jeanne Bergeonneau, and junior Allyson Budine.

New teachers and an administrator include middle school social studies teacher and high school weights and conditioning coach, Tod Shiftlet; ag teacher, Jessica Taliferro; Superintendent Brian Harris; and nurse and SADD sponsor, Tanya Silvey.

every day. People are unique in their own special ways. People are



**Far Left:** The boys' basketball team performs to a mix of songs to pump everyone up for Queen of Courts.

**Above Left:** Senior William Boeh poses for a picture in his 80s day outfit for spirit week.

**Top:** Junior Breanna Smith goes up to spike the ball as two Doniphan West opponents try to block it.

**Middle:** Sophomore and junior powderpuff team members celebrate after they score a touchdown.

**Bottom:** Junior Valerie Mott holds the football dummy as a grade schooler tackles it as a part of the obstacle course for fun day.

**Left:** Senior Trevor Bembrick sells ice cream to some little kids to raise money for Senior Trip.

Photos by Baileigh Jenkins, Courtney Klaus, Halli Wigger and Trae Shelton

People have different talents. People do great things. People strive to reach their goals

in need. People challenge each other. People are awesome.

# Faculty and Staff

Troy High School gained a few new faculty and staff members: Jessica Taliaferro, vocational agricultural teacher for grades 7-12 and also the FFA sponsor; Todd Shifflett, social studies teacher for the middle school, the weights and conditioning teacher, and also the assistant football and baseball coach; Britanya Silvey, district nurse; and Superintendent Brian Harris, who also served as the grade school principal.

Seminar was added every day after lunch for 30 minutes. During seminar in the first semester, the teachers taught a variety of material, from miming to ACT drill to math drills and problem solving. Students had time to work on homework on Wednesdays and Fridays. Towards the end of the year, students who had an F or a D in Math were required to go to the library where Mrs. Michelle Newkirk and Mr. Doug Fisher helped them to improve their grade and also to help them get caught up if they had any late assignments.

Seminar also provided a time for groups to meet and for college and military recruiters to see students.



**Top: the USD 429 Board of Education: Front Row: Jennifer Luedke, Barbara Winder, Vice President Nikia Weber Row 2: Sherman Smith, Duane Weishaar, Hugh Kinsey, President Warren Grable. Photo by Halli Wigger**

**Middle: "Queen" Janel Anderson crowns "king" Todd Shifflett during the Homecoming pep rally. Photo by Janet Winkel**

**Left: Coach Derek Jasper gives a speech to the crowd about the football boys during the pep rally for the Homecoming game. Photo by Janet Winkel**

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

**-District Mission Statement**



Matt Allison



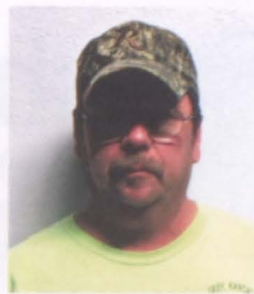
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Jared Pickerell



Jeremy Prudden



Roger Purdy



Susan Reynolds



Martha-Jean Rockey



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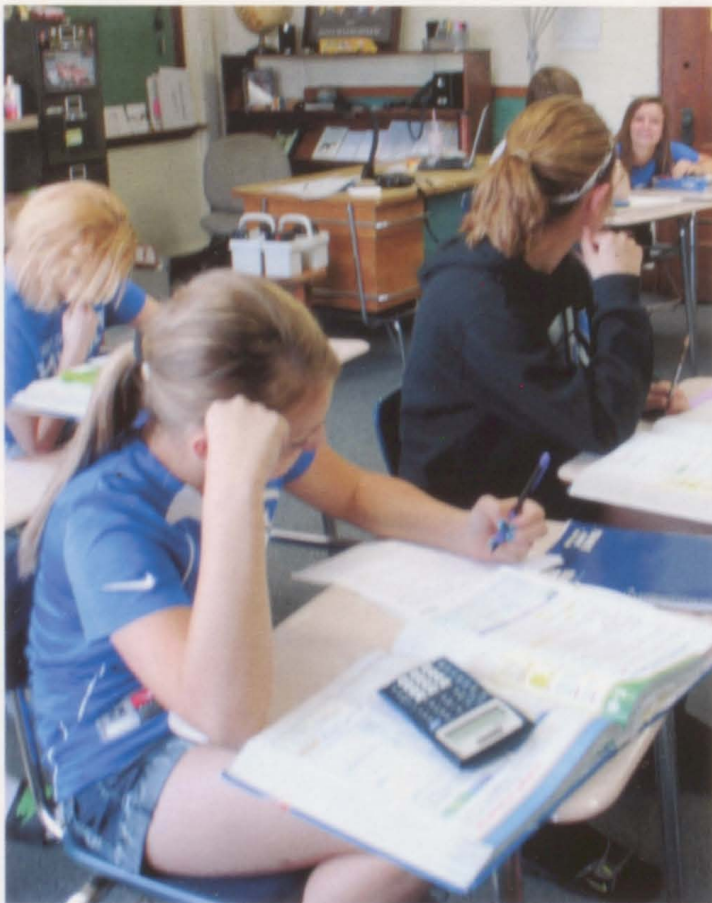
# Freshmen

Entering high school can be very exciting yet nerve-racking at the same time. There are many new things freshmen have to get used to, such as trying to keep all of the classes in order and trying to fit in with the students. The freshmen get to experience new teachers, students, clubs and sports.

Freshman class sponsor, Jessica Taliaferro said, "I've never been a class sponsor before, so I'm kind of new to this and a little unprepared."

Being involved with the upperclassmen is a fun way to get to know everybody and make some new friends.

During the Homecoming Spirit Week the freshmen did the window painting and decorating contest and whitewashing on town square, to show pride in their football team about beating the Panthers. They also put in some effort on a float contest and several dress-up contests. Some of the kids went all out for the costume contests. Three more years to go and high school can be whatever they make it out to be.



*"It matters not what you are thought to be, but what you really are." -Class Motto*



**Above:** Freshmen created a float for Homecoming to show their pride. **Photo by** Kylee Anthony.



**Above:** Freshman class officers: Secretary Ashley Mollus, Vice President Tyler Franken, and President Reid Greaser. **Photo by** Kylee Anthony

**Left:** Freshmen Brittney Klaus and Lexi Noris work on math reviews in preparation for the finals. **Photo by** Kylee Anthony.



Bailey Schofield



Brandon Schofield



Kori Bennett



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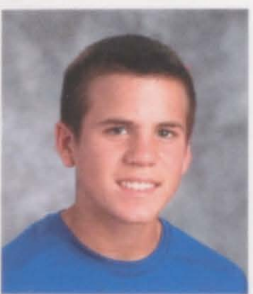
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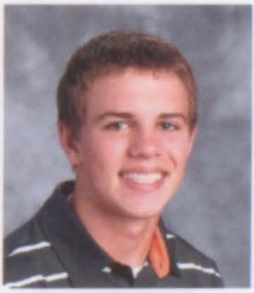
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Marissa Teague



Blair Weishaar



Brody Winder

# Sophomores

Sophomores are a few moments away from being seniors. The class of 2016 battled tests, homework, and sports, and they accomplished a great deal..

The sophomore class accomplished getting third place in Homecoming floats, many sophomores painted windows during Homecoming, and many other sophomore band members went to Florida to perform at the Thanksgiving Day Parade.

Sophomores qualified for state speech in May, with Nathan King earning a I rating in humorous solo. Other state speech qualifiers were Bailey Winkel and Ben Wardlow.

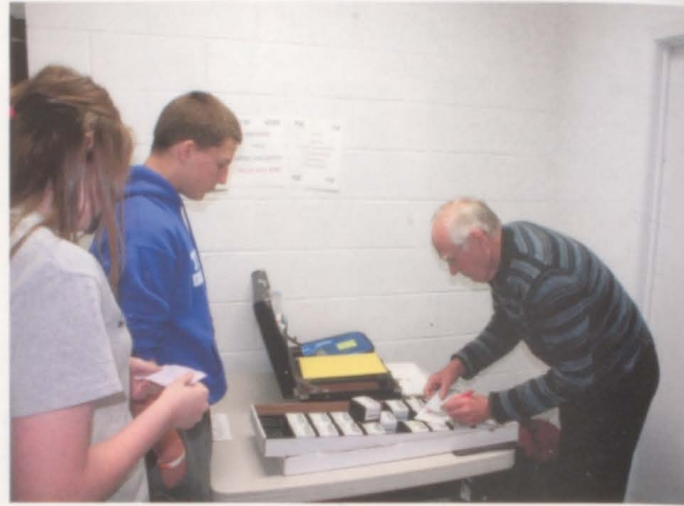
Three sophomores took solos to regional music: Nathan King in instrumental music and Lauren Wigger and Jacklynn Clary in vocal music.

At state journalism, Kylee Anthony placed in two events, editorial writing and photo illustration.

The sophomores were required to take English II with Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey, Algebra I or geometry with Mrs. Michelle Newkirk or Mr. Doug Fisher, and earth and space science or Biology II with Mr. Kevin McNorton.

Several students joined the class. A foreign exchange student from France, Jeanne Bergeonneau, spent the year at THS. She stayed with the Doug Duncan family. Tabitha Porter returned to the class in mid year, and three joined later in the year: Cammi Sparks, Tristin Horton, and Tucker Horton. Sophomore class sponsor was Mr. Fisher.

*“If the opportunity doesn’t knock, build a door” - Class Motto*



TOP: Sophomores Chris Winkle and Megan Etherton wait patiently for their class rings. **Photo by Dylan Kitzman**

ABOVE: Sophomore class President Preston Duncan and Vice President Luke Smith. Not pictured: Secretary/Treasurer Cheyenne Blanton. **Photo by Dylan Kitzman**

LEFT: Sophomores get letters and awards at Awards Night. Near: Makayla Ross and Dylan Kitzman. **Photo by Courtney Klaus**



Cole Thornberry



McKyla Barnthson



Cailyn Anderson



Kylee Anthony



Jory Barnthson



Jeanne Bergeonneau



Cheyenne Blanton



Tyler Christopher



Jacklynn Clary



Preston Duncan



Chevy Enzbrenner



Megan Etherton



Mackenzie Harbeston



Cadence King



Nathan King



Dylan Kitzman



Dylan Langford



Madison Marriott



Tucker Morris



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Tabitha Porter



Preston Robinson



Makayla Ross



Taylor Scherer



Josie Smith



Luke Smith



Cammi Sparks



Benjamin Wardlow



Holly Whetstine



Lauren Wigger



Bailey Winkel



Chris Winkel

# Juniors take creativity to the next level

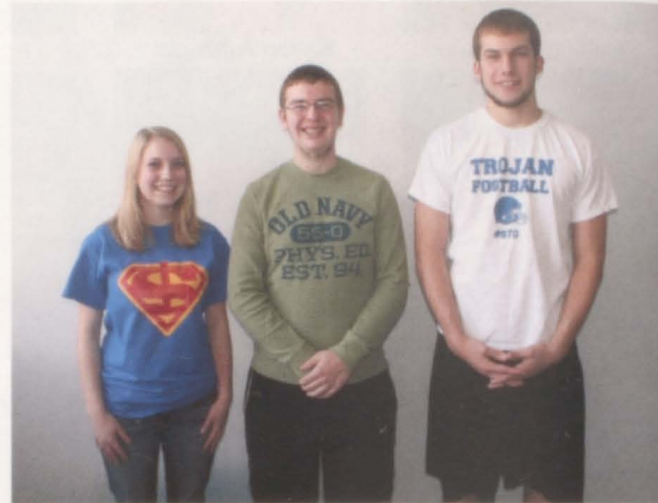
*“Dream as if you will live forever; live as if you’ll not see tomorrow.” -Class Motto*

The junior class was busy coming up with creative fundraisers to raise money for the junior/senior prom. Two of the fundraisers were seasonal: a haunted house at Halloween and a holiday homes tour at Christmas. They also held a volleyball tournament and worked some concession stands.

This year included some firsts for many of the juniors. Many took the ACT for the first time, while others went to a college day for the first time.

The juniors were required to take American history with Mr. Jeremy Prudden and English III with Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey and Ms. Rosa Dolven. English III consisted of many choices: early American literature and advanced composition in the first quarter; research paper in the second quarter; early British literature and Shakespeare in the third quarter; and modern American literature and novel in the fourth quarter.

“In this past year, I feel like we’ve done a lot and we have grown closer to each other. We’ve come this far and have raised a lot of money for Prom and our senior trip. I loved the haunted house. It was a lot of fun. I’m proud to be apart of the class of 2015,” said junior Morgan Jamvold.



**Above:** Junior class officers Ashley Stock, secretary/treasurer; Braden Grossman, president; Nathan Gaarder, vice president. **Photo by Trae Shelton.**



**Above:** Juniors Breanna Smith, Valerie Mott, Alexandria Winder and Braden Grossman move a bar to the corner of the room which they decorate for Prom. The bar was used by DJ, Kenny Lysaght, for his equipment. **Photo by Trae Shelton**

**Left:** Junior Megan Schmile spray paints the football field during class for the Homecoming game against Centralia. **Photo by Halli Wigger**



Allyson Budine



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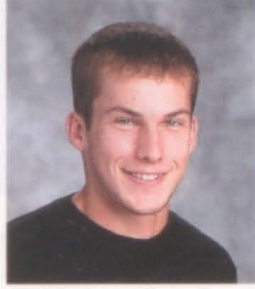
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Braden Grossman



Morgan Jamvold



Collin Jasper



Valerie Mott



Destiny O'Donnell



Jacob Ross



Alexander Schmille



Megan Schmille



Tanner Shelton



Trae Shelton



Breanna Smith



Tristan Speer



Ashley Stock



Jay Whetstine



Alexandria Winder



Right: Juniors pose for a picture for the opening day of the haunted house fundraiser. Photo by Jennifer Whetstine.

# Seniors

Seniors juggle homework, scholarships, part-time jobs, sports, extracurricular activities, career researching, job shadowing, college planning, concurrent classes, and even fundraisers. Senior year is an exciting and sometimes stressful time, but Troy seniors handled it well.

Many seniors chose to take concurrent classes this year with Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey and Mrs. Michelle Newkirk. They were psychology and speech, and algebra, respectively. Seniors didn't have a completely jam-packed schedule, though. Many also opted for office aide, cadet teacher, and independent study hours. All seniors however were still required to take an English class and American government class with Mrs. Rockey and Mr. Jeremy Prudden.

Mrs. Rockey and Mrs. Juli Smith worked together to help prepare seniors for their future by assigning a career- and college-orientation project. Seniors were required to research their interests, take an inventory of their skills, research their desired career, job shadow a trained professional, and much more.

It wasn't all academics for seniors, though. During the fall the seniors also sold magazines and ordered things such as their caps and gowns from Josten's. The seniors kept up the fundraising for the rest of the year as they sold ice cream during lunch and at sporting events, and they also worked concession stands. They raised money for the senior trip and to help class sponsor Kevin McNorton with his medical expenses.

***"Move on; it's just a chapter in the past, but don't close the book. Just turn the page."***

***-Class Motto***



*Bodhi Anthony*



*Jessica Burton*



**Top:** The class of 2014 poses for a picture on Blue-and-White Day of Football Homecoming week. **Photo by Cailyn Anderson**



**Right:** Senior class officers Alanie Stock, president; Trevor Bembrick, secretary/treasurer; and Holly Stegall, vice president. **Photo by Halli Wigger**



*Trevor Bembrick*



*Kaylee Bennett*



*William Boeh*



*Alaina Davis*



*Ryan Franken*



*Jessica Guffy*



*Elizabeth Hale*



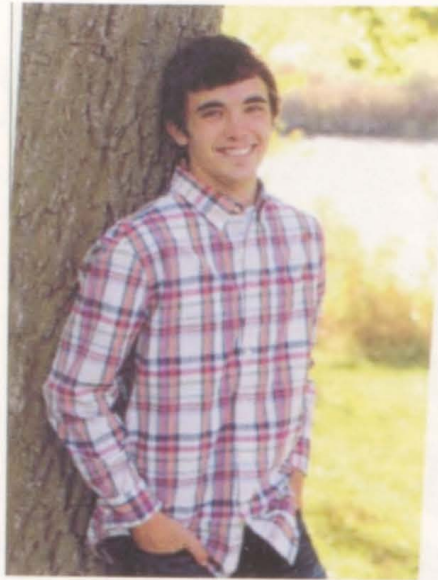
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*Nicole Stanton*



*Holly Stegall*



*Alanie Stock*



*Courtney Klaus*



*Kallie Koehler*



*Clairissa Marriott*



*Jacob Meng*



*Russell Ostertag*



*Alexandra Stanton*



*Katrina Tharman*



*Halli Wigger*



*Caleb Winkel*

Jake,

Where has the time gone? It seems like we turned our backs for just a second, and you went from a boy to a young man. Remember to always be yourself, keep your sense of humor, and work hard to achieve your goals. Congratulations!

Love, Mom, Dad,  
Andrew, and Jared



Halli,

We are so very proud of you Halli. We love you! Love, Dad, Mom, Lauren and Cheyenne

We hope you dance!



Kallie,

We're so proud you're our daughter. If only you could know how wonderful it is to have a daughter like you. It always meant so much to us to see you smile, to listen to your ideas, to watch you grow and learn and become your own person. If only you could realize how many special memories you've made us, how many times we been so proud to say "That's our daughter!" Always keep striving for your dreams. Congratulations!!

Love, Mom and Dad

Alanie,

We are so proud of the smart, beautiful, young lady you have become. We know you will shine at whatever you do.

Love, Mom, Dad, and Jake

P.S. Rock Chalk Jayhawk!

Holly,

I am so very proud of you as is your whole family. You have the unique ability to touch each and every person's life your path runs across in a very loving and generous way. There is no limit for what you can achieve in life. Your empathy and willingness to give to others is insurmountable. As you strive forward in life, I know you will be able to overcome any obstacle that comes your way.

I love you dearly, Holly. Congratulations on your success at THS. Love, Mom and Jillian

Dalton,

Congratulations; we are so proud of you and all your accomplishments. We have watched you struggle and succeed, and you have made us very proud. We know no matter what you do in life you will make the best of every situation. Thanks for all the fun, tears, laughs and joy you have brought to our family.

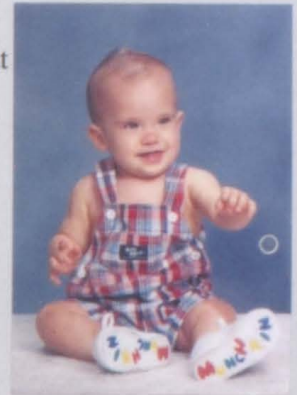
We love you -  
Dad, Mom, and Devin



Daulton,

We are so proud of you, as this new journey in life leads you to great and wonderful adventures. Look to God for his continued guidance. He has great plans for you.

We love you and will be here for you always. Love, Dad, Mom, Steve and the boys



My beautiful daughter- Baileigh

Having a daughter like you is a prized possession. Calling you a graduate is a proud occasion. You should be very proud of yourself for your dedication and persistence. Remember to set your sights on the stars and reach for them always. Believe in yourself, because you are so unique with no limits to what you can do. We are so proud of you!

Love you,  
Mom, Mike, Levi and Trey



Jessica Guffy,

We are so very proud of you! You have grown into a beautiful young lady inside and out! Remember as you journey into the next chapter in your life, please know that God will be with you every step of the way! Make the most out of every moment you can and always have fun and enjoy! Follow your dreams, and always show your "fireworks"!

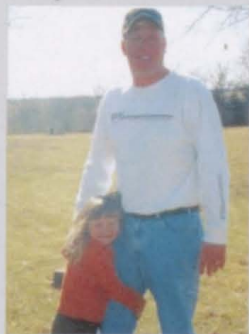
We love you,  
Ken, Mom, Madyson,  
and John



Jessica Guffy,

I am very proud of all you have accomplished so far; thank you for being such a blessing to me. Now that one chapter of your life is ending, a new one will begin. Remember to always put God first in your decisions.

Love you, Dad



Activities are fun. Activities get you involved with other students.

Activities don't let you be a loner. Activities allow you to be yourself. Activities are exciting.



# Activities

Many activities were seen throughout the year at Troy High School.

Homecoming and Queen of Courts had week-filled activities for the entertainment of the students called Spirit Week. The participation with the dress-up days for the week wasn't as good as past years. There was a bonfire at the beginning of the year and a pep rally downtown for Homecoming. At the pep

king and queen candidates were involved in singing competitions and a winner was chosen.

Troy High School had a returning twirler, Halli Wigger. Wigger performed at the halftime of football and basketball games and pep rallies.

Seniors visited Dallas for their senior trip and then graduation followed the next week.

74 Activities cause interactions within social groups. Activities

Activities take teamwork. Activities give you more social opportunities.

Activities force you to be a more outgoing person. Activities allow you to make new friends.



**Far Left:** Senior boys prepare to ride the "New Texas Giant" at Six Flags on their senior trip to Dallas. **Photo by Courtney Klaus**

**Above Left:** Senior William Boeh belts out a solo as the basketball players dance at the Queen of Courts pep rally. **Photo by Trae Shelton**

**Top:** Sophomore Cailyn Anderson runs the ball during the powderpuff game, Homecoming week. **Photo by Tracey Klaus**

**Middle:** Queen of Courts candidates sing during a pep rally up town. **Photo by Kylee Anthony**

**Bottom:** The senior class poses for a group picture on the front steps of the school. **Photo by Mrs. Jene't Brown**

**Left:** The football boys dress up and cheer on the volleyball girls at a home game. **Photo by Janel Anderson**



let you branch out of your comfort zone. Activities are great.

# Homecoming

Despite having no school on Monday, Homecoming week was packed for the Trojans.

The week began on Tuesday with the kick-off of dress-up days. The Tuesday theme was Super Hero Day, and senior Dalton Masters won with his costume as the Hulk. Wednesday was Halloween Costume Day, and the secret panel of judges chose sophomore Cadence King in full Indian Dress as the winner of that day. That evening, the freshmen and seniors paired up to compete against the sophomores and juniors in a game of powderpuff football, where the juniors and sophomores cherished a victory of 52-48.

Following the game, Trojans headed to Main Street for a Window Painting contest and to white-wash the streets. Again, the sophomores

relished a Homecoming activity victory when the judges declared them the winners of the window painting contest.

As the game drew closer, the Homecoming activities kept coming. On Thursday, students dressed up in their favorite 80s decade apparel. The winners of this day were senior William Boeh and sophomore Mackenzie Harbeston. Then as night approached, the cheerleaders and dancers hosted a drive-through car-painting station for the community to have their vehicles "tagged" with Trojan spirit. After that, the festivities moved to the 4-H grounds as the cheerleaders and dancers performed, and the football players made their way to the bonfire with torches, and Coach

Jasper spoke about the upcoming game. To end the night, Trojans snaked through town honking.

Finally, on Friday, Trojans showed their spirit by dressing up in Blue and White. The seniors won the dress-up days' contest, as they had an average of 21 students dress up every day.

Students were then dismissed at 2:30 for the Main Street Pep Rally and parade. Homecoming candidates Kaylee Bennett, Harley Huss, Baileigh Jenkins, Courtney Klaus, Trevor Bembrick, Ryan Franken, Cody Israel, and Caleb Winkel all participated in a "Dancing with the Stars"-type activity to the "Cha-Cha Slide," the "Cupid Shuffle," "Saturday Night Fever," and "The Hustle," and

were judged by the panel of Abra Rush, Jared Wigger, and Dallas Keller. Janel Anderson and Todd Shifflett were crowned Staff Queen and King by the student body.

That evening, the coronation process began at 6:30. Candidates rode in on classic cars donated by members of the community. The court was also escorted by several kindergarteners: Adriana Clary, Harper Whetstine, Henry Geiger, and Marcus McKittrick. After a week of waiting, Harley Huss and Ryan Franken were crowned Queen and King.

Later that evening, after an unfortunate defeat by the Centralia Panthers, all Trojans were invited to enjoy the Homecoming Dance sponsored by the student council in the old gym. The decorations were Halloween related.



**Left:** Queen Harley Huss said, "I loved having my family around me while I got ready, and it was great that when I won I knew they didn't have to come waste gas and stand in the cold."

Photo by Kylee Anthony

**Right:** Queen Harley Huss and King Ryan Franken wait in anticipation to hear the winners of Homecoming Court. Franken says, "The best part of Homecoming day was getting to read the Cody Chronicles."

Photo by Janet Winkel



**Above:** The Trojan Cheerleaders and Trojan Dazzlers perform a cheer at the Main Street Pep Rally Friday afternoon before the Homecoming festivities.

Photo by Kylee Anthony



**Left:** King and Queen candidates: Courtney Klaus, Caleb Winkel, Queen Harley Huss, King Ryan Franken, Baileigh Jenkins, Cody Israel, Kaylee Bennett, and Trevor Bembrick. **Row 2:** Marcus McKittrick, Henry Geiger, Adriana Clary, and Harper Whetstine, kindergarten attendants.

Photo by Tina Johnson

**Left Middle:** King Ryan Franken hands Queen Harley Huss a rose bouquet after the coronation.

Photo by Kylee Anthony

**Below:** Queen candidate Kaylee Bennett jumps into King candidate Trevor Bembrick's arms at the end of their dance to "Saturday Night Fever" during the Homecoming Pep Rally.

Photo by Kylee Anthony



**Above:** Lauren Hill chases down Breanna Smith and snatches her flag during the Homecoming Powder Puff Game.

Photo by Tracey Klaus

# Queen of Courts

This Queen of Courts was very different due to the games and dance being postponed to the next Saturday, due to inclement weather.

Both varsity teams ended with a win. The boys won 59-57 with a last-minute shot from Tristan Speer. Likewise, the Lady Trojans evened up their record on their home court with a win of 47-41.

The Queen of Courts pep rally was oddly before the senior night game, rather than the day of Queen of Courts. The main event of the pep rally was the little game played by the candidates. The candidates chose songs and then sang them to the crowd. Kaylee Bennett William Boeh sang "See You Tonight," by Scotty McCreery; Courtney Klaus and Cody Israel sang

the popular "Say Something," by a Great Big World; and Alanie Stock and Caleb Winkel sang "Fishin' in the Dark," by the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band. Winning the singing competition, Kallie Koehler and Jacob Meng sang, "Cruise," by Florida Georgia Line.

The boys' basketball team also performed at the pep rally. They danced to a mixture of songs. Due to the three snow days in the middle of the week, they did not get to practice as much as planned. However, the boys still performed with their best moves and even sported several solos, such as the one performed by king candidate William Boeh.

Leading up to the postponed game was Spirit Week. The week

consisted of "Camo" day, "Career" day, Mix-and-Match day, and Blue and White day.

After an extra week of anticipation and snow days, Alanie Stock was announced Queen and Jacob Meng was announced King at the ceremony at half time of the varsity boys' game.

A dance sponsored by Stuco was in the old gym immediately following the games.

**Below:** Queen Alanie Stock crowns King Jacob Meng during the Queen of Courts Ceremony. Photo by Jessica Guffy



"It [Queen of Courts] was very nerve racking. I didn't like getting dressed up, but I had fun singing at the pep rally."

-Jacob Meng



"I had a lot of fun. I really enjoyed the dance. It was one of the best dances we have ever had."

-Alanie Stock



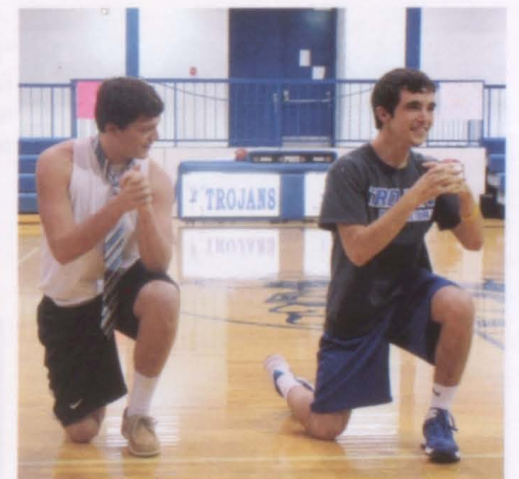
**Above:** The boys' basketball team dances to a medley of songs during the Queen of Courts pep rally. Photo by Tracey Klaus



**Left: King and Queen candidates:** William Boeh, Kaylee Bennett, Cody Israel, Courtney Klaus, King Jacob Meng, Queen Alanie Stock, Caleb Winkel, and Kallie Koehler. **Their kindergarten attendants:** Braelyn Popple, Alyson Grable, Holden Bowe, and Xavier Chipps-Etherton. **Photo by Tracey Klaus.**

**Bottom left:** Candidates Jacob Meng and Kallie Koehler sing and dance to "Cruise" at the candidate competition. **Photo by Trae Shelton**

**Below:** Sophomores McKyla Barnthson and Lauren Wigger do a cheer to get the crown hyped up for the Queen of Courts game. **Photo by Trae Shelton.**



**Above:** Sophomore Luke Smith and senior Daulton Jasper dance to a medley of songs with the rest of the boys' basketball team at the pep rally for Queen of Courts. **Photo by Trae Shelton.**

# 'Gatsby in the Dark'

Prom was put on by the junior class, sponsored by Mrs. Jennifer Whetstine. The theme was "Gatsby in the Dark." "Gatsby" came from a 1920s-themed book by F. Scott Fitzgerald and "In the Dark" was just a black-light theme. There were black lights, glow sticks and glow-in-the-dark shutter shades as table decorations and accessories.

Prom was held at the Heritage Convention Center in Atchison. The meal consisted of salad, brisket, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, and a hot roll. For dessert, the students were served cherry and chocolate cheesecake.

"I think Prom went really well! I had a lot of fun dancing with my friends and the food was pretty good," said junior Destiny O' Donnell.

After the couple's pictures and dinner was served, the dance was held until midnight. The DJ was Kenny Lysaght. A photobooth was present during the dance.

After-prom was put on by the junior parents. It was held at Extreme Underground also in Atchison. Extreme Underground is an old U.S. Army bunker facility now known as the "Atchison Caves."

There the students and their dates played archery tag, and laser tag, crawled

through a speleobox, climbed rock walls, and slacklined. There were also a makoto arena, black-light miniature golf, and a game room. In the game room, there was carpet ball, foosball, pool, air hockey, and ping pong tables.

"After-prom was fun. I liked themaze the most!" said freshman Cuttar Huss.

After-prom consisted of a lot of prizes such as Old Navy, American Eagle, free pizza, iHop, and Buffalo Wild Wings gift cards. There were also six iPad mini's that were given away anonymously by drawing names out of a hat.

The winners of the

iPads were juniors Alex Schmilke, Derek Frenken, and Jake Ross. The other three were won by seniors Harley Huss, Baileigh Jenkins, and Daulton Jasper.

"I thought the prizes at after-prom were pretty good! I got two Worlds of Fun tickets but traded them for two Royals tickets. A lot of people got iPads and unfortunately, I wasn't one of them" said senior Colton Masters.

After-prom started at 12:15 A.M. and lasted until 3:25 A.M.

After after-prom many students all headed to St. Joseph to eat breakfast at iHop.



"I thought after-prom was fun but it could have had more things to do," said senior Bodhi Anthony.



"Prom was a lot of fun! Mrs. Whetstine did a great job putting it all together. It was awesome!!" said junior Allyson Budine.



Above: Senior Claire Marriott and her prom date Christian Griffin, play a game of pool at after-prom. Photo by Trae Shelton



**Left:** Senior Daulton Jasper gets down at Prom with his date, Shelby Herner. Photo by Trae Shelton

**Middle Left:** The senior class poses in front of the courthouse. Photo by Tracey Klaus

**Bottom Left:** The junior class poses in front of the courthouse. Photo by Tracey Klaus

**Below:** Junior Braden Grossman and senior William Boeh do a kick dance to the song "Footloose" while everyone forms a circle around them. Photo by Trae Shelton



**Above:** Many juniors and seniors dance to "Get Low." Photo by Trae Shelton

# Seniors visit Dallas

The class of 2014 had their fun in Dallas, Texas. Out of 29 students, 22 students went with chaperones Abra Rush and Roger Purdy. The class sponsor was Kevin McNorton, but due to health complications he couldn't go. The class departed from the high school early morning Friday, May 9.

When they got to Texas, the seniors headed to the Dallas Cowboys Stadium for a tour. There they walked around the stadium listening to facts, entered the Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders' locker room, and the football boys' locker room and even got to go on the field!

After the tour, the seniors were on their way to the Rangers stadium for the Texas Rangers vs. the Boston Red Sox game.

There the students all participated in the cheers and chants with the rest of the crowd. Many of them also posted pictures on Twitter and Instagram using the hashtag "RangersScoreboard" in hopes of getting on to the screen.

"The Rangers game was a really exciting game, and I'm glad we got the opportunity to watch it!" said senior Holly Stegall.

Saturday, May 10, the class went to the Dealey Plaza and Sixth Floor Museum. This is where 35th president, John F. Kennedy was assassinated. The class took an audio tour through the museum; then they took pictures of where the president was shot and the Grassy Knoll.

After the museum, the

seniors headed to the Dallas World Aquarium and to the Galleria Mall in Dallas. This is a three-story mall where most of the class spent the majority of their money.

Sunday, May 11, the class went to Six Flags over Texas, an amusement park. The seniors rode many rides like the Titan (a ride with a 255-foot drop traveling at 85 mph), Mr. Freeze: Reverse Blast (a ride with a 236-foot drop traveling at 70 mph), and New Texas Giant (a ride with a 153-foot drop traveling at 65 mph).

Later that evening, the seniors went to Shenaniganz in Rockwall, Texas. There, the class went bowling, rode a mechanical bull, played black-light miniature golf, and laser tag, and rode go-

carts in the speedway. The majority of the class spent their time in the speedway.

Monday, May 12, the class checked out of their hotels, loaded the bus, and headed back to Troy. On the way home they stopped at the Oklahoma City National Memorial and Museum. There they took a self tour around the museum looking at different things recovered from the bombing, old recordings, and many stories of the survivors. They also went outside to look at the field of empty chairs and the reflecting pool.

The seniors arrived at the high school three and a half hours earlier than scheduled. Everyone was exhausted and ready to be back home.



"It was fun getting to know everyone in my class better and hanging out with everyone one last time before we all graduate and go our separate ways," said Dalton Masters.



"Senior trip was a blast! I had a great time hanging out with my class and sponsors," said Harley Huss.



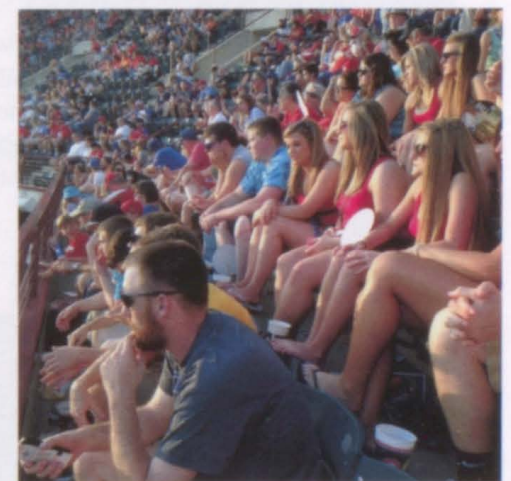
**Above:** Katrina Tharman and Trevor Bembrick get ready to race in the go-carts at Shenaniganz. **Photo by** Courtney Klaus



**Left:** All the senior boys wear their "bro tanks" at Six Flags over Texas. **Photo by Courtney Klaus**

**Left Bottom:** The class takes a picture in front of the tunnel at the Dallas Cowboys Stadium. **Photo by Abra Rush**

**Below:** Daulton Jasper, Ryan Franken, and William Boeh observe the owls. **Photo by Courtney Klaus**



**Above:** The class watches the Texas Rangers vs. Red Sox game. Mr. Purdy is near the camera. **Photo by Abra Rush**

# Graduation

Graduation was held May 18 in the C.W. Oliver Gymnasium.

This was the last time the seniors were able to step into the gym and say goodbye to faculty, students, friends, and family.

The high school choir sang "Butterfly Fly Away" by Miley Cyrus as an opening to the graduation ceremony.

Mr. Kevin McNorton received the Master Teacher Award and was presented a plaque. He was selected by a committee of faculty, administration, parents, and board members.

Holly Stegall was valedictorian and Alanie Stock was salutatorian. Both girls presented speeches during the ceremony.

Stegall spoke about how

she didn't want to give any advice because no one needed the advice of a teenager. She also talked about the many accomplishments of the senior class throughout the year and thanked friends and family for everything throughout her journey through high school.

Stock gave a speech about how a chapter in the seniors' lives has ended, but a new one will begin. She also talked about a year of "lasts." Stock ended her speech with thanking parents, family, friends, faculty, and God for where all the seniors are now and for their accomplishments.

After the speeches, Principal Jarred Wigger, presented the audience with the opening of the traditional senior video.

The video included pictures of each senior and group photos throughout the years. The songs played during the video were "Don't Forget to Remember Me" by Carrie Underwood, "I'm Not Gonna Cry" by Corey Smith, "Whenever You Remember" by Carrie Underwood, "Photograph" by Nickelback, and "Time of Your Life" by Green Day.

A special tribute was added to the senior video to honor Kate Foshe, a student who came to Troy as a sophomore and passed away the summer of her sophomore year.

Following the senior video was the rose ceremony. The graduates ordered roses to give to family members and loved ones. Seniors could

order as many roses as they wished to hand out to those whom they felt have influenced their lives. The class chose, "Because You Loved Me" by Celine Dion.

The rose ceremony was the emotional part of the whole ceremony.

"I held up pretty well up until it got to the rose ceremony; then I lost it. I only had two roses to hand out but I gave a lot of people hugs so I was the last one to be seated. Whoops! Graduation went a lot smoother for me than I thought it would. I'm just glad it's over with," said senior Courtney Klaus.

The class of 2014 had 29 graduates.



"It was good. I am glad my family and friends got to come and witness and celebrate with me," said Jacob Meng.

"It was fun but I'm just glad it's over with so I can move on to the next chapter in my life," said Alania Davis.



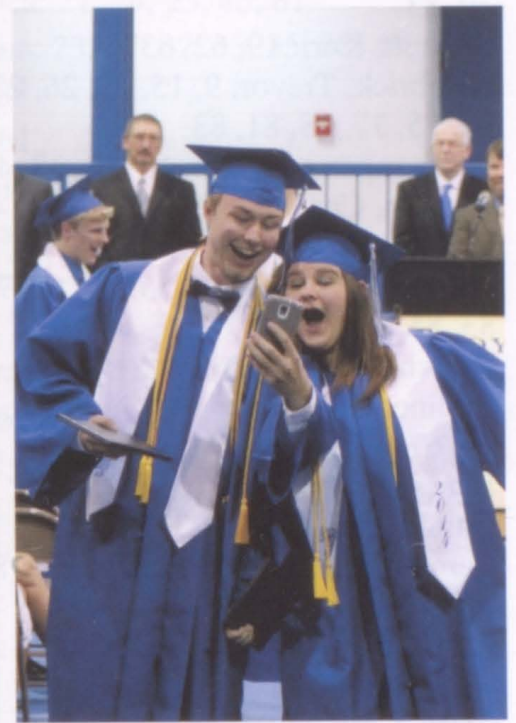
Above: Cody Israel walks on stage to receive his diploma as Daulton Jasper, Baileigh Jenkins, and Courtney Klaus wait to receive theirs. Photo by Amy Masters



**Left:** Nicki Stanton and Ryan Franken walk into graduation as the band plays "Pomp and Circumstance," directed by Brittany Clary. **Photo by Tina Johnson**

**Middle:** Salutatorian Alanie Stock gives her speech. **Photo by Amy Masters**

**Below:** William Boeh and Katrina Tharman take a "selfie" as they walk out of the graduation ceremony. **Photo by Tracey Klaus**

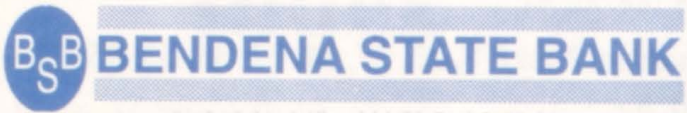


**Above:** Holly Stegall receives her valedictorian medal before her speech. **Photo by Tracey Klaus**

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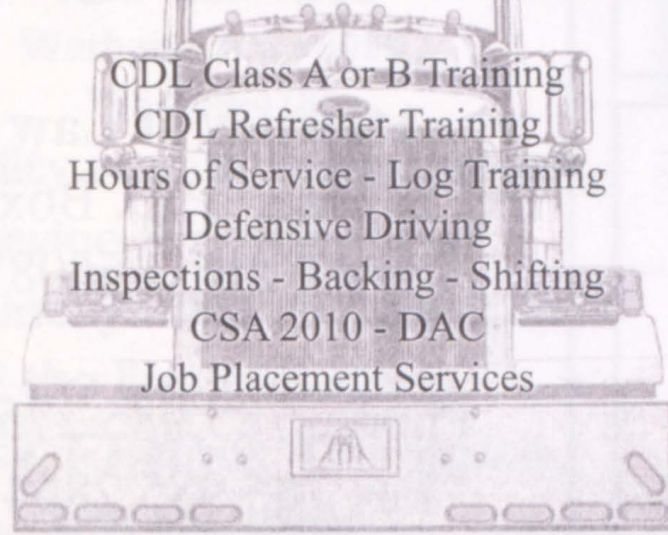
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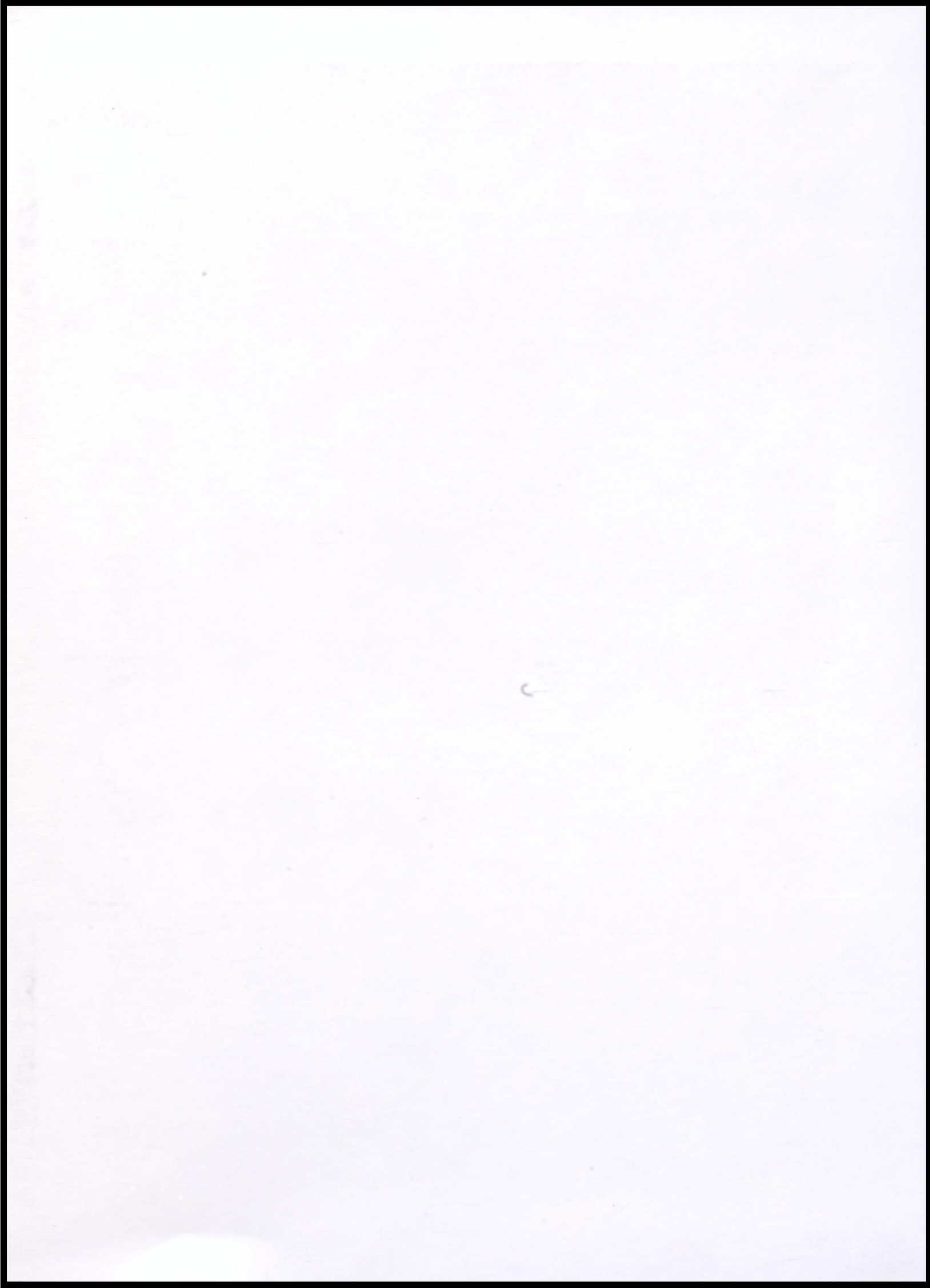
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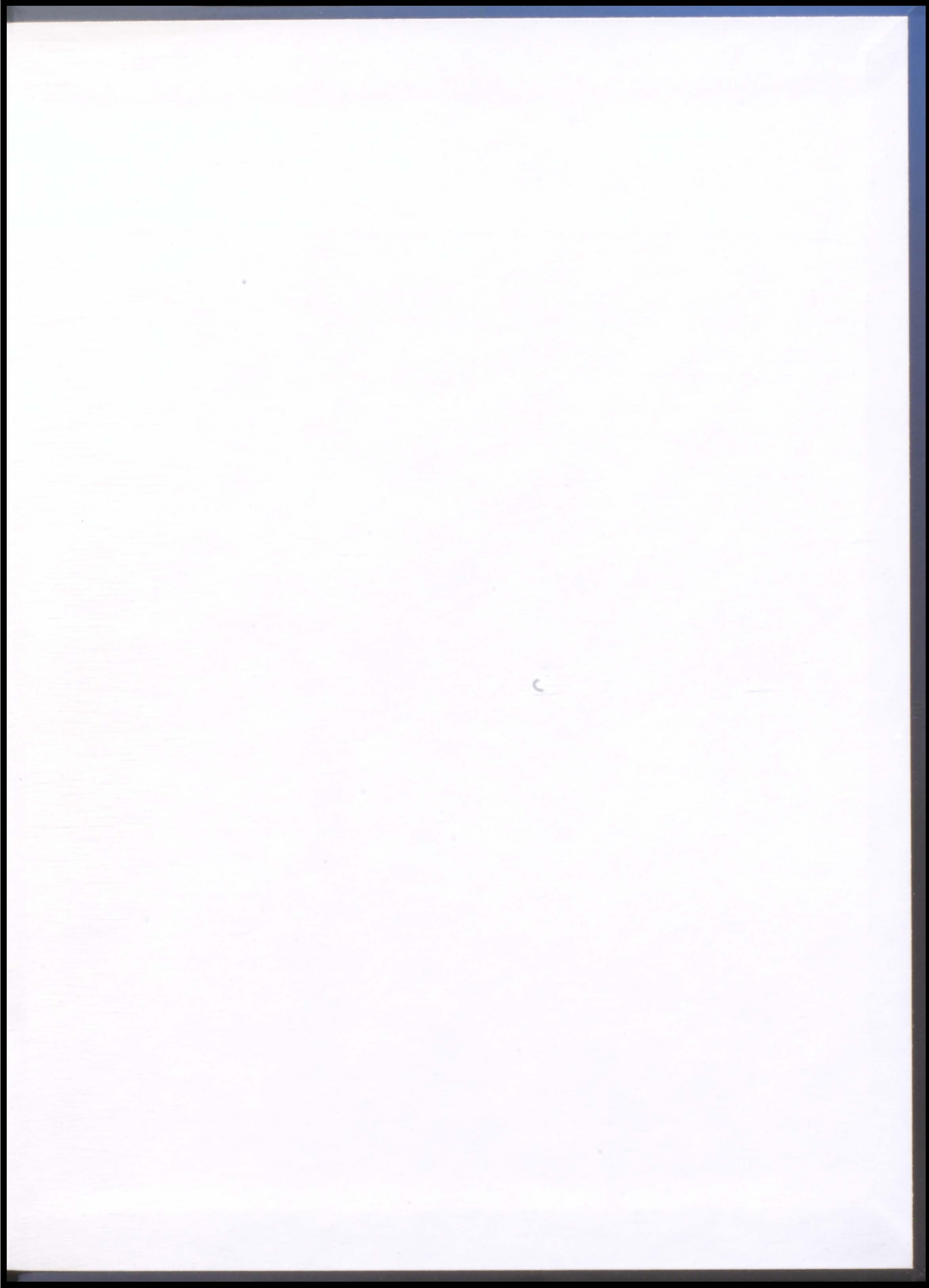
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