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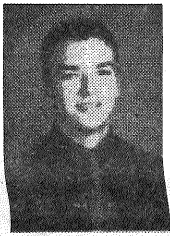
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## Troy High School Class of 2005



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Homer



John Raymond  
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Bethany Lynn  
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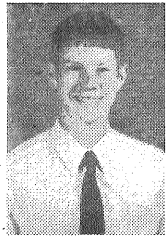
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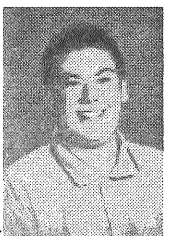
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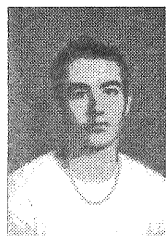
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Winder

## Awards night held; 18 scholarships awarded

By Brei Richardson

Awards night was May 10. The night started with scholarships being given. The first scholarship to be given was the Troy State Bank Scholarship. This \$500 scholarship was given to one senior Abby Winder.

The Morrill and Janes scholarship was a \$300 scholarship given to one male and one female, Jay Johnson and Katie Merritt.

The SLK Scholarship was given to one senior girl. This year this scholarship was given in honor of Betty Klaus and Darlene Tetlow. The senior receiving this \$500 scholarship was Bethany Jenkins.

The Dean scholarship, which is to be used in the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of college and is worth \$500 dollars, was given to Bethany Jenkins, and Abby Winder.

The American Legion pre-



Blair Cummings, Molly Geiger, Bethany Jenkins, and Miles Clary all listen to the speakers at awards night. Photo by Brei Ricahardson

sented awards to two senior males and two senior females. The first awards went to Abby Winder and Jay Johnson. They both received \$150 and a distinguished achievement award. Nolan Franken and Jena Pickerell received honorable mentions.

The alumni scholarship was given to Guy Masters and Jena Pickerell. This scholarship was worth \$500. This scholarship was chosen by a random drawing.

The faculty scholarship was given to Bethany Jenkins. It was worth \$100.

The Lion's Club gave out three different awards. The first was the Sousa Award, given to Jocelyn Bishop. The Arion Award went to Sarah Watkins for the most improvement in music, and the Lions Club scholarship worth \$250 went to Abby Winder.

The Frump Memorial Scholarship went to Jay Johnson and Katie Merritt. This scholarship is worth \$250.

The Kinsey Scholarship went to Abby Winder, Bethany Grable, and Jay Johnson. This scholarship is worth \$250.

Other awards were the top speech awards which were given to Stephanie Adams, and Katie Merritt for top senior. Amy Adams got top student of the year in speech.

Guy Masters received the outstanding senior industrial arts student.

Also given were choir awards. Outstanding male vocalist went to Miles Clary; Outstanding Female Vocalist went to Sarah Watkins. The service award went to Emily Merritt, and the Rookie of the Year went to Elizabeth Tharman.

## Journalism students compete at state

By Jenna Grable

The Troy High School journalism state qualifiers competed at the Kansas Scholastic Press Association State Contest, May 7. Katie Merritt placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in editing. Jenna Grable also competed in editing. Jenna received honorable mention in editorial writing.

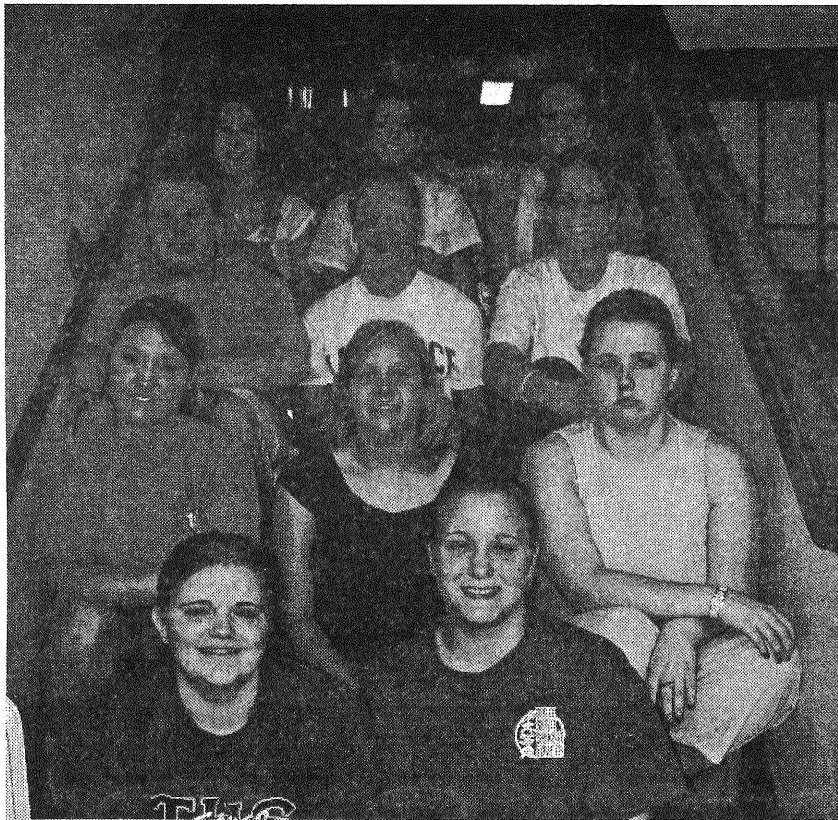
The state contest was held on campus of the University of Kansas. A total of 124 schools competed and 1,504 were judged.

The students competed in different categories which each dealt with a school yearbook or newspaper.

Stephanie Adams competed in outlines; Colby Cluck, yearbook sports writing; Whitney Stock, yearbook copy writing; and Bethany Jenkins, editorial

writing.

Some students' work was entered as carry-in. Blair Cummings competed in yearbook photography; Brei Richardson, headline writing and theme/graphics; Bridget Losson,



Front row: Jenna Grable and Katie Merritt. Row 2: Whitney Stock, Brei Richardson, and Ginny Hodge. Row 3: Colby Cluck, Blair Cummings, and Bridget Losson. Row 4: Bethany Jenkins, Jena Pickerell, and Kelsey Thomas. These students competed at the state journalism contest at KU.

newspaper design; Jena Pickerell, newspaper photography and advertising; Katie Merritt, Layout/DPS; Kelsey Thomas, headline writing; and Stephanie Adams, infographics.

Katie Merritt said, "I was really surprised to even place. I

definitely wasn't expecting third place. I didn't think I even had a chance of placing! At the most, I was *hoping* for an honorable mention. I'm surprised more people didn't place. We had some very good entries."

The journalism class is taught by Martha-Jean Rockey. To qualify for state, the students had to place at the regional 1A/2A contest that was held at Kansas State University in February.

Brei Richardson said, "I was really excited to get to compete at state again this year. I wasn't expecting to get to compete in both theme/graphics and headline writing, But I was happy that I competed in both because it was a great experience"

## FFA competes at state in Manhattan

By Shana Kostman

The Troy FFA competed at State May 1-3, at Kansas State University. There were four different Troy teams who participated in State FFA.

The first contest, Ag Communications, was Monday morning. This contest involves editing, news writing, graphic design, broadcasting, and press release. The team consisted of Katie Merritt, Janie Simpson, Morgan Lister, and Jordan Libel. Over all the team got 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Katie Merritt got 2<sup>nd</sup> place as an individual. "I was very excited and surprised. I never thought I would get second

place. I'm very happy and I have no idea how I pulled it off. It must have been my luck day. I barely had time to finish my story," said Merritt.

The third contest was Ag Issues. This contest involved presenting an issue's pro's and con's. The team consisted of Shana Kostman, Bridget Losson, Johnna Pasch, Megan Cambell, Brett Christenson, Elizabeth Tharman, and Jordan Libel. The team placed 4<sup>th</sup>.

The second contest was Floriculture. This contest involves a visual test to identify different plants and shrubs.

This team was Carl Tharman, Laura Tharman, and Elizabeth Tharman, but their team was not complete so they could not place.

The last contest was Farm Management. This contest is a test about bookkeeping and organization. The team was Jay Johnson, Eli Norris and Laura Greub. This team was also not complete so they could not place.

"I felt that the contest went pretty well. The Ag Issues team did well for never doing the presentation all together before," said Johnna Pasch.

## State music does well

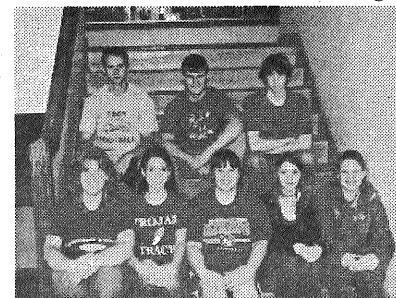
By Bridget Losson

At the State music festival, Saturday April 30, at Cloud County Community College in Concordia, David Flinders received a I for his Euphonium Solo.

Receiving II were Elizabeth Tharman, the Saxophone Quartet, and the Brass Quintet.

Elizabeth Tharman sang "The Little French Clock" by Albert Mott. The Saxophone Quartet consisted of Jena Johnson, Kacie Fenley, Carl Tharman, Jessica Watkins. Their piece was "Scherzo for Saxophones" by Frank Erickson. The

Brass Quintet of David Flinders, Jocelyn Bishop, Laura Greub, Brent Ledger,



Left to right: Garrett Twombly, Carl Tharman David Flinders, Kacie Fenley, Jena Johnson, Laura Grueb, Jessica Watkins, Elizabeth Tharman

and Garrett Twombly, played "Intrada" by Johann Pezel.

## New members inducted into NHS

By Katie Merritt

Blair Cummings, Molly Geiger, Carl Tharman, Whitney Franken, Laura Greub, and Janie Simpson were inducted into the National Honor Society (NHS) at Awards Night May 10.

Previous members include Stephanie Adams, Jocelyn Bishop, Bethany Grable, Bethany Jenkins, Jay Johnson, Katie Merritt, Jena Pickerell, Abigail Winder, Zach Gaarder, Jenna Grable, Hannah Jenkins, and Jessica Sutherland.

Zach Gaarder said, "I am excited about becoming the president of NHS.

I have had power of authority before, so I am not nervous. I think we will have a good year with NHS."

Jenna Grable was inducted

as the new vice president; Jessica Sutherland, secretary; and Hannah Jenkins, treasurer.

Students who apply for NHS induction have to meet certain

qualifications based on scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Each student who applies must also go through an interview process.

The interviewers consist of a selected panel of teachers who serve as the NHS board. The panel asks the students questions pertaining to why they should be inducted into NHS. The interviewers then select students from those interviewed whom they think deserve to be in NHS.

Students who have been chosen to be inducted are recognized at the NHS induction ceremony where they sign a scroll that every member has signed since the Troy club

was chartered in 1939.

"I feel very honored that I was elected. I was very nervous during the interview. I was completely drawing a blank during the questions and I was shaking a lot too. I think it is a very special process that allows the members and inductees to be honored," said Laura Greub.

NHS sponsors several activities during the year, including the annual Community Center Blood Drive, as well as helping with the NEK-CAP Christmas store. NHS members are also in charge of orientation, showing upcoming middle and high school students around the school.



Existing Members left to right: Stephanie Adams, Jocelyn Bishop, Jessica Sutherland, Jenna Grable, Hannah Jenkins, Zach Gaarder, Jay Johnson, Katie Merritt, Jena Pickerell, Abby Winder, Bethany Grable, Bethany Jenkins

# Speech team scores big at Kansas City Community College

By Ginny Hodge

At the state forensic contest May 7 there were 10 individual entries and 7 of them got a I, including the one-act play. Two earned II ratings.

The individuals who got I ratings are Stephanie Adams, informative speech on Barbie dolls; Lyndsi Christopher, informative speech on bulimia; Madi Twombly, oral interpretation of poetry from *Out of the Dust*; Emily Merritt and Jared Adkins, improvised duet acting; Katie Merritt, extemporaneous speech; Jared Adkins, humorous solo acting from *No Time for Sergeants*; and Amy Adams, humorous solo acting with "Cheering My Way into College."

The one-act play also received a I. it was "The Fabulous Fable Factory" by Joseph Robinette. The cast included Jared Adkins as Aesop, and Casey Beemer, Stephanie Adams, Ginny Hodge, Lyndsi Christopher, Elizabeth Tharman, Amy Adams, Emily Merritt, and Katie Merritt. The director was Martha-Jean

Rockey and the student director was Micheal Springstead.

The play was about fables. Fables are stories with morals.

a flattering oral critique of the cast's work as a team, and that was nice to hear also," said Martha-Jean Rockey.

in all three.

"Being in speech for the first time was such a blast, I couldn't have asked for a better IDA



Casey and Amy practicing their IDA for state forensics contest. Photo by Stephanie Adams

The cast used three of Aesop's tales: "The Country Mouse and the City Mouse," "The Lion and the Mouse," and "The Ant and the Grasshopper."

"This was an exceptional year, so far as our state accomplishments went. To get seven I ratings out of ten entries was remarkable. And the icing on the cake was for the one-act to also get a I. The judge gave

Those who received II were Jocelyn Bishop, oral interpretation of poetry with "The Lady from Shalott," and Katie Merritt, oral interpretation on agricultural biotechnology.

Casey Beemer and Amy Adams received a III rating for improvised duet acting.

Jared Adkins had a very good day; he participated in three events and received a I

partner or a better one-act play cast. We had so much fun and scored great!" said Casey Beemer.

Throughout the year the team as a whole has done well. The speech team placed, 1<sup>st</sup> of 10 at Delaware Valley League, 3<sup>rd</sup> of 9 at Atchison High School, 3<sup>rd</sup> of 11 at Pleasant Ridge, 3<sup>rd</sup> of 15 at Maur Hill-Mount Academy,

4<sup>th</sup> of 17 at Nemaha Valley, 5<sup>th</sup> of 12 at Royal Valley, 5<sup>th</sup> of 14 at Holton.

Students also did well during the year. Amy Adams won three medals for her humorous solo. Amy Adams / Casey Beemer won three medals or improvised duet acting. Amy Adams / Jocelyn Bishop won one medal for improvised duet acting. Stephanie Adams won four medals for her informative. Jared Adkins won three medals for humorous solo. Jared Adkins / Emily Merritt won two medals for improvised duet acting. Jocelyn Bishop won one medal for poetry. Lyndsi Christopher won two medals for informative. Katie Merritt won three medals for oration and won five medals for extemporaneous. Madi Twombly won three medals for poetry. Lyndsi Christopher / Laura Grub won one medal for duet acting. Jordan Libel won one medal for extemporaneous. Emily Merritt won two medals for serious acting, Jessica Watkins won one medal for oration.

## Troy students inducted into Quill and Scroll

By Megan Campbell

The Quill and Scroll induction ceremony was at awards night, Wednesday, May 10.

In charge of conducting the ceremony were the carry-over members from last year, Stephanie Adams, Kelsey Thomas, and Bethany Jenkins.

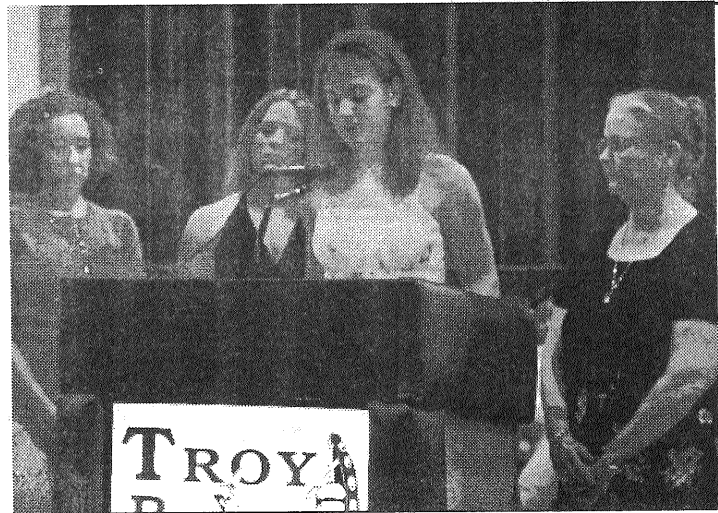
There were six students who met the qualifications for induction: Blair Cummings, Molly Geiger, Jenna Grable, Katie Merritt, Jena Pickerell, and Whitney Stock.

Quill and Scroll is an International Honorary Society for High School Journalists. To become a member of the Society, one must meet five qualifications: he or she must be of junior or senior classification; he or she must be scholastically in the upper third of his high school class; he or she must have done superior work in

some phrase of high school journalism; he or she must be recommended for membership by the adviser of journalistic work in his or her high school

being worthy of membership by the Society's executive officer.

As this was the 29<sup>th</sup> induction ceremony for Quill and



Bethany Jenkins, Kelsey Thomas, Stephanie Adams, and Martha - Jean Rockey conduct the Quill and Scroll ceremony. Photo by Brei Richardson.

or by the committee governing publications and approved by the current membership; and, he or she must be approved as

Scroll, the membership for Troy High School has now increased to 144 members.

## Students display talents at fine arts night

Students' talents in many areas were on display for the public at the annual Fine Arts Night, May 6.

Performances included solos and ensembles from both music and speech students. One highlight was the state-I-rated euphonium solo by David Flinders.

The speech students regarded this as a warm-up for state the next day. Also representing the forensics team was a presentation of the one-act play, "The Fabulous Fable Factory."

Parents and friends also had the opportunity to view numerous art works on dis-

play in the old gym, representing the year's work from Mrs. Nancy Clisbee's art students. Many of the pieces had won awards, and those were designated.

The final display was of projects completed by industrial arts students under the direction of Mr. Gene Velharticky. These included a group of stools that teach a group of wood-working skills. Also included in the projects on display was a cupboard that Rita Clary had re-assembled in the adults' evening class.

## Trumpet Editor Kelsey Thomas bids farewell

By Kelsey Thomas

I can't believe that the time has come and my high school years are finally over. This year has gone by extremely fast, and at times I never thought May would come. Before leaving, I have to say good-bye and thank the people who have helped me get here.

I have to start with mom and dad. You both have been there for me, not only through these hard high school years, but my whole life. I thank God for blessing me with you both. He has given me some of the best parents that I could ask for.

Mom, you have done so much for me; well, you've basically done everything. Never forget how much I love you and how much you mean to me. I hope that someday I can be as great a mom as you have been. Just remember, it's all your fault that I don't know how to do laundry!

Dad, I know that you're so

surprised that I've actually made it this far and I'm graduating. Don't ever forget how much I love you. Someday, I hope that my husband will be as good a father as you have been!

Kyle, it seems like we look at everything in two different ways and that we always are fighting. We both know that we don't agree on much and it's been that way for a long time, but you're a great brother and I wouldn't trade you for anyone. I love you and don't forget it!

Lacey, Derek, Kipp, and Keely. Your house is like a second home to me and we all know it. You have two of the most beautiful children I've ever seen and thank you all for everything you've done for me.

Lacey, you have been there for me through thick and thin and I want to thank you for that. You have changed so much

these past couple of years from a mean older sister, to one of my best friends. I look up to you in so many ways. Grandma would be so proud of you. I know it will be hard but I hope that someday I'm as good a mother as you are. I love you!

Derek, not only are you my basketball coach, but you are also my brother-in-law. Thank you for being such a great coach all of these years. I love you like a real brother, even though you act like my father half the time. Thanks for everything you have done for me. Don't ever forget that I love ya.

Abby Winder, Shana Kostman, Jena Pickerell, and Bethany Jenkins, you girls are just great. Thanks for always

being there when I've needed you. You girls are the four best friends that I could have ever asked for. We've shared some great memories over the years



and I'm going to miss you so much next year. Don't ever forget about me, but good luck in all that you do. I love you girls!

To the boys in my class who have given me a hard time since the first day of school, it's going to be kind of nice without you around making fun of everything I do. I know you only

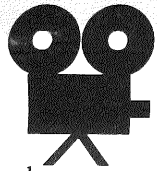
tease me because it's so easy. So burn bye to all of you, I really will miss you.

My K-12 grade teachers, you guys have been great. I thank you all for everything you have done for me. I'm going to miss you.

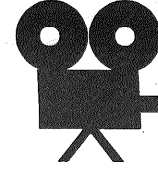
To all of my coaches, you guys have been great. The seasons we have shared together have been very memorable.

To the class of 2005, thanks for all of the memories. We have been through some hard times these past couple of years, but we have finally made it through. Good luck next year to all of you and don't any of you forget about me!

I have more people to mention, but there's not enough room for you all. I'm going to miss everyone I've left behind here at Troy High but I won't forget about any of you. Thanks for all of the memories. Good luck to you all!



## Dinner and a Movie with Amy and Whitney



By Amy Adams and  
Whitney Stock

For our final dinner we went to Keith's Bar B-Q in Elwood, Kansas, where Amy works. When we entered the building we were warmly greeted at the counter where we ordered our food. Amy decided to get the brisket dinner; it comes with two sides and a dinner roll, and she chose corn nuggets and macaroni and cheese. Whitney went with the turkey-and-Swiss sandwich. She also ordered some cheese-filled jalapeño poppers. After ordering our drinks, we seated ourselves.

Once we were seated, we looked at the many paintings and western décor. It made the restaurant seem more like home and more interesting.

We received our food in around 5 minutes and began

to eat. The brisket was tender and the macaroni and cheese was creamy. The corn nuggets were very good also, they are creamed-corn breaded and fried. The turkey-and-Swiss was fresh and the bread was soft. The jalapeno poppers were also very good.

Altogether we thought Keith's was a wonderful place to eat. It's fast, friendly and tastes wonderful.

After dinner we went to see *A Lot Like Love* at the new Hollywood movie theatre in St. Joe. Oliver, played by Ashton Kutcher, becomes friends with Emily (Amanda Peet) after meeting on an airplane. Over the years they met every once in a while to talk and hang out. Eventually they realize that their friendship could be more than



Emily (Amanda Peet) and Oliver (Ashton Kutcher) dance at a New Year's party to get back at her ex who is also at the party.

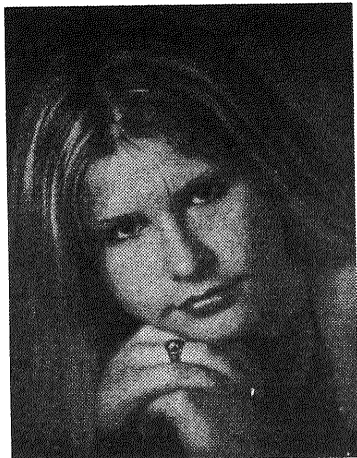
that, but will they end up together or will they be separated by a previous engagement?

We thought this movie was very good. It was a sweet comical romance that some

people would consider a "chick flick." We recommend

## Trumpet Editor Shana Kostman says her goodbyes

By Shana Kostman



As I sit down to start to write my senior farewell, I don't know where to start and how I am going to say goodbye on a half of a page, but I will do my best not to leave anyone out.

The first goodbye that I want to say is to my mom and dad. They have been here with me the whole way. You are the best parents that I could ever ask for. I love you so much that

words can't describe.

Mom, I really don't know where to start. I guess that I can say thanks for everything you have done for me the past 18 years, from your saddling my horse to my helping you saddle yours. One thing that I want to say is that I hope someday I am a great mom and friend like you are.

Dad, you are the best dad that any girl could ever ask for. From helping you do chores, working in the hay field, or just spending time out at grandmas' I would never take back a minute of it. Thanks for always being there for me.

Taryn, from you dressing me up in doll clothes to locking me outside when your friends were over, you are one of the best sisters a girl could ever ask for. And I thank you so much for giving me the most

beautiful little boys ever.

Jamie, we have gotten really close the past year. Even though I don't have many childhood memories with you, we have made up for it the past year. And I want to thank you for giving me the most beautiful little girl ever.

Jena Rae, wow, you and I go way back, from going to Letha's together to growing up and being best friends. You are such a sweet girl that I can always go to and you will always tell me the truth, even if I don't like it. That stain is still on my sister's floor from that cool-aid you spilled.

Kelsey, Wow! Here we are. Can you believe it? I can't remember how many times we said that we couldn't wait till this time in our life; now we really don't want it to happen. But we will get through it and have a blast doing it. Good luck next year up at HCC. I know that I will spend a lot of

time with you in that wonderful dorm of yours.

Bethany, you are such a sweet girl; don't ever change. We have had a lot of fun on those trips to St. Joe chasing the big trucks that I always went for, or the little sporty cars that Jena went for. Good luck next year. And I hope all your wishes come true.

Abby, I don't know where to start, other than just saying what a wonderful person you are. I hope when I have kids that they can have a friend just like you. I want to thank you for everything you have done for me in the past. Even though you are going to BC next year I will keep in touch and come see you. Good luck.

Janie, and Amy, you two have been through a lot with me. That is what has made us so close. I don't know what I would have done without you two to make me laugh when this last year has been a little

tough. You need to keep your heads high and be strong. Good luck next year, and you can try to be as cool as I am.

Cassandra Donn, This past year we have gotten so very close that I don't know where to start. You are such a sweet girl that is always there for me and will do anything I ask. We have had so many good times together that I hope they never have to stop. Remember you deserve the best and never settle for less.

To the teachers, thank you so much for your time and patients.

To my class, we have been through a lot together and it hasn't brought us down, but just made us closer. I want to thank you all for everything and even if we don't keep in touch we still have all the great memories we had together. Good luck to everybody in all the years to come. You guys are the best class ever.

## Sports writer reflects on the year

By Colby Cluck

Eight months and twenty-eight days ago I would have never dreamed of saying goodbye to any one of the 11 other seniors on the football team. In my heart I knew this day would come, but I just couldn't accept it until now.

A day that all of the football players remember is August 16, 2004, the first day of practice for the Troy Trojans football team. We showed up that morning, being used to 37-40 kids on the team, we saw only 30 kids, and a few that wouldn't last the week. We knew what we had to do, but how could we have done it without the best coach Troy has ever seen? I know I speak for all 12 of the senior football players and more when I say "thank you, Coach Cash for believing in us and sticking around for one last season."

Those football memories

stick in my head more than anything, and how can I forget standing on the sidelines in the last half of the fourth quarter of the Onaga game? I remember standing beside Coach Cash, smiling and telling him "We're gonna do it, and they can't stop us!"

After the Onaga game, I remember the football team gathering under the goal posts for a post-game photo shoot. That night made me feel great. It was that game that made me realize how many people stood behind us and appreciated what we did this season, and that to me is how your season is defined; how your final year, and entire football career is defined. It is those people to whom I would like to say farewell, to the fans who supported Trojan Football and the underclassmen who worked hard every day to make the starters

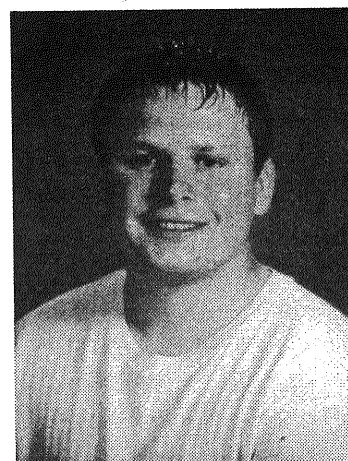
and themselves better athletes, but more importantly, better people.

I would like to give a special farewell to the parents of the entire football team, especially the senior parents. These are the same loving parents who stood behind us since 7<sup>th</sup> grade. They were there in our best moments, and even our worst moments. The parents never criticized, but only praised us, and gave us the confidence that it took to get back on the field.

The most important moment for me with the parents is a memory that tears at my heart when I think about it, Sedan. I know that we seniors could have played better, and I know in my heart that we could have been the best team in the state this season, but sometimes things just don't go your way. That is what almost every one

of the parents told me after that game.

Our senior class had a spe-



cial bond that rarely comes along, and that bond spread to our parents as well. It seemed that after a game, when we had lost, our parents lost too, but when we won, they won as well. Dealing with the Sedan loss was very hard for me, because I knew I could play bet-

ter, but every- where I turned, the parents were there to support me and my fellow seniors with what, to me, was one of the worst feelings of my life.

Seniors of Troy High School, our day is finally here. For a long time, we have watched and waited as other students have walked across that stage and accepted their diplomas to signify a right-of-passage beyond high school. May 22 is that day for us. It is our turn to walk the passage beyond high school, and hopefully, most of us to college.

I want to say thank you, to everyone who has been there to support me and my senior class, but most of all, my family. If it weren't for my family, I would not have been able to accomplish anything that I have now, and I am forever thankful for them.

Goodbye, class of 2005.

## Yearbook Editor says her thanks

By Bethany Jenkins

I would like to personally say good bye to my family and closest friends.

Mom, you have also been there for me and helped me when I needed it. Thank you for always being there.

Dad, you have always been there for me, no matter what. Your little girl is all grown up now, and I want to thank you for all that you have done for me.

Michael, I know we usually haven't gotten along in the last 18 years, but my life would have been very boring if you were not picking on me.

Big brother Travis, you made summers fun with your home-made movies, babysitting me, letting me get a ring stuck on

my finger, and sticking me in a duffel bag.

Rachel, I want to thank you for always being there and helping me. We have had some great memories, and they will never be forgotten.

Jessica Sutherland and Kyle Greaser (Burn) we have had some great memories since the first day at Barb's. You both will be missed tremendously.

Kelsey Thomas, it seems like just yesterday we were acting like twins, doing everything together. We have had so many great memories throughout the 13 years of school.

Jena Pickerell, we have been great friends since the first day we started Sunday school together. Even though we may

not always see each other, the memories that we have made will always be there.

Abby Winder, wow, we are seniors already!! You have been a great friend these last 12 years of school. You have always been there, and I know I can count on you.

We have many great memories, Shana Kostman, of hanging out together. I have loved going to school with you. You have made school fun and interesting.

Kelsey, Jena, Abby, and Shana... we will always be the greatest friends no matter what life brings us. You all will have a special place in my heart forever.

Katie Merritt, Whitney

Franken, Morgan Lister, Jordan Libel, and Courtney Turpin... how can I say good-bye to my cheerleaders? Cheering with you guys has been the greatest thing. The memories of practices, when we had them, and traveling to games will never be forgotten. You five girls will always be special to me.

To everyone in the senior class... we did it!!! We made it through these last 13 years. We may have had our differences time to time but we always stuck together and were there for each other in the good and bad times.

I am going to miss everyone



a ton. To those whom I didn't mention because of lack of space, I want to let you know that the memories with you will never be forgotten.

"We all take different paths in life, but no matter where we go, we take a little of each other everywhere."

— Tim McGraw

## Yearbook Editor gives credit where credit is due



By Katie Merritt

My first thank goes out to the teachers and staff at THS. You guys put up with a lot of stuff and have made us better people despite all the jokes and pranks we pull. If it weren't for your hard work and dedication, I wouldn't have made it this far!

Bruce Reynolds, thanks for allowing me to draw on your chalkboard for six years! Drawing flowers and cartoon bumblebees have never been easier to draw!

Martha-Jean Rockey (M.J.), you have always believed in me and I will never be able to re-

pay you for the confidence and time you have put into my scholastic, speech, drama, and publications career. I will never forget you!

Nancy Clisbee, I will never be able to think about art history without thinking about you! You have taught me so much, and not all of it revolves around a class room. Thanks for believing in me and allowing me to try new things!

Darrell Wapp, thanks for allowing me to do so many different things in FFA and your classes. You have helped me to earn my FFA awards and allowed me to grow and learn on my own. You are the reason I do extemporaneous speech! "If you ain't lyin', you ain't tryin'."

I want to say a humongous THANKS to my friends. You guys kept me from going insane and kept me laughing until I cried (you know who you are!).

Another group of people I want to thank are my classmates. We have been through so much together and we have

stuck together as a class. I couldn't have asked for better classmates! Thanks for the memories!

Mom and Sammy, Dad and Jane—thank you for always believing in me, even when I didn't believe in myself. Emily and I appreciate everything you have done for us, no matter how insignificant. I love you guys so much and I know that school would have been much harder without your love and support.

My family—no matter how I was feeling or what situation I found myself in, I knew that my family was there to support, help, and comfort me. Your love and devotion have helped more than you can imagine. I have accomplished what I have because of you.

Stacy Kahnt and the cheerleading squad—I want to thank you girls for the wonderful year of cheering that you gave me. We had so much fun, and you will never know how much I appreciated your confidence in me as a co-captain and the support you showed

me. Stacy, thanks for four great years! I love you guys and will miss you!

To the publications staff—thanks for putting up with me as a yearbook editor. I know I'm not the easiest person to get along with, but you really made me feel welcome when I joined publications.

Finally, I want to thank my sister, Emily. You are the most important person in my life, not to mention my best friend. I love you more than you will ever know and I can never repay you for your support and confidence. "You are the wind beneath my wings." LOVE YOU!

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## News Editor recognizes family, friends

By Brei Richardson

It's so hard to believe that my high school career is almost over. It has been the craziest four years of my life. Saying goodbye is so hard to do. Troy High School has made me feel at home since I came back. Three years have flown by, and I realize that all good things must come to an end, but I wouldn't want it to end with any other people or be at any other place.

First of all I would like to thank my mom. Mom, you and I have been through a lot together, and I know I wouldn't be where I am today if it weren't for you. No matter what I have said or done, you have been there and you have never given up hope for me. If I said I couldn't do something, you were right behind me, pushing me, telling me that I could. Thanks, and I know that I have put you through a lot, but you are the hardest working, caring, loving person I know, and I know that no matter what I do, you will be there



for me.

Dad, wow, it really is coming to an end. We have had some pretty crazy times at the house, and I know that I have put you through a lot also. I just want you to know, thank you for everything that you have done.

Ryan, we have really missed out on a lot since my 6<sup>th</sup> grade year, and since you went off to college. You are the best big brother anybody could ask for. You have been there for me whenever I needed you, even at 4 a.m. And I will miss our late-night talks and the things (continued page 9)



By Jena Pickerell

"The only thing that stays the same is everything changes." - "Time Marches On" by Tracy Lawrence.

It's finally time for this change in our lives and to move on from THS. It's hard to believe that this part of my life is over, but I'm thankful for the memo-

ries I have to look back on, and the great friends I have made. There are a few people I would like to thank because they have been so important to me.

I should probably thank my parents first since they have been there for me from the start. Mom and Dad, you two have always believed in me and pushed me to do my best. Mom, I most likely would never get anything done unless you kept at me to do it. I know I am difficult sometimes, so thanks for putting up with me.

Brother (Jared), you're so smart, and have helped me with tons of homework and pretty much all computer prob-

lems. We annoy each other a lot, but what are siblings for? I look up to you and don't know what I'd do without you.

To all the teachers who have prepared me for the future, thank you and I'll never for you.

Shana, my memories of you go back to the babysitter's. We fought all the time but we've become great friends, and I know if we've made it this far, we'll make it till the end. I'll never forget weekends driving around in ol' grey, and don't worry, you'll grow out of your falling stage someday.

Kelsey, you've always been a fun one. You're the life of the party, and can always make

me laugh. I do not know what I would have done without you in weights this year; I probably wouldn't have stayed in it. You and I have seen those boys do some weird and crazy things. I'll be by your dorm a lot next year.

Abby, I need to get your autograph so I can sell it someday and get rich. You've been an awesome friend and are always there when I need you. I'll be down at BC for your games next year. A couple tips for you: use lots of towels at work this summer and always be sure to wear your helmet when riding a bike.

Bethany J, you're so nice and

quiet, but sometimes you surprise me. I still don't understand how you hate sugar and sweet things, but like sweet tarts. It just boggles my mind how someone could not like 99% of sweets. I'm so happy you'll be at HCC next year too.

To the best class ever: I can't imagine a better, funnier group of people to grow up with. We've been through a bunch together, and we came out on the other side a closer class. I consider you guys more like family than classmates. I'll miss all of you and wish you the best of luck!

## Editorial: Saying goodbye to Mr. Stufflebeam

By Jena Grable

I still remember my first day of middle school. I was a little nervous because I had a new schedule, school, and principal.

Mr. Darrel Stufflebeam has been very inviting and encouraging since that first day of middle school.

Now, he is moving to be the superintendent of Rock Creek. Next year will definitely be different without him.

I remember listening to him speak at the 8<sup>th</sup>-grade graduation. I loved his "Top 10" list about the current senior class.

He caught on quickly to Troy. He knew to fit in he would have to change his last name to *Clary*, and he told us that it was pointless to try to beat Abby Winder at arm wrestling.

Mr. Stufflebeam has been there for me throughout my four years of high school, too. He was always there to tell me,

"You'll do fine," and I always did.

When I had to take business

throughout high school. It will be different not seeing his face every morning in the hallway.



## Opinion Editor remembers friends, classmates

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# Business Manager says adieu to Troy High

By Stephanie Adams

Good-bye may be the two hardest words that I will have to say this year, but thank you is very easy.

There are many people that I would like to thank, but I only have half a page to do it in, so I'm sorry for anyone I leave out.

I would first like to thank my parents. I love you both so very much. You two are what have kept me going over these last 18 years.

Mom, I love you so much. I know that I get all my strength and courage from you. You, with some help from dad, have taught me to stand up for what I believe, and to never let anyone change my feelings towards anything. Thank you for all of your help so far and here's a thank you for all your help that will come in the next few years.

Daddy, what can I say to

you? You are the most important man in my life. No guy

could come close to the bond that I hold with you. You have taught me to look for the funny in life, to let it all hang out and just have fun. I learned

from you that you could NEVER be too old to be silly. Even though you were gone from my life for a year, I think that I love you even more for being here with me for this very special time. Thanks again for all you have done in

the last few years.

Regina, you are the best older sister that a girl could ask for. I know that we have had our share of fights and name calling, but nothing can compare with a sister's love. You have been a very big inspiration to my life. I love you.



Amy, I can't express the love that I have for you. You're so much more to me than just a little sister. You're my twin in a sense. We have done everything together ever since God put you in my

life one year, three weeks and

one day after I was born. I love you very much and wouldn't have been able to make it through high school without you. Thank you!

Casey Beemer, I never knew that I had another sister, or at least it seems that way seeing as you are at my house more than I am. You have been a great friend and I love you.

Morgan Lister and Whitney Franken, I just want to say thank you for everything you have done for me. I wouldn't have been able to make it through my senior year without your funny stories about boys or just our silly little talks. Have fun in high school.

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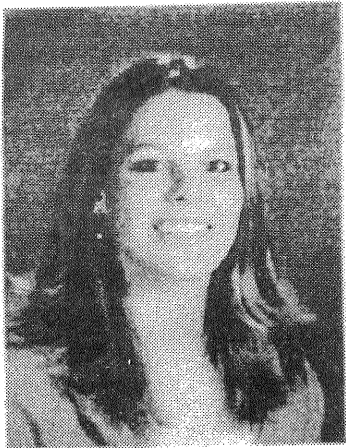
our crazy times together. Remember me when you go to do great things.

To the senior class, we have made it to one of the biggest days in your lives. I know that now we must depart, and move on to bigger and better things. I have no doubt in my mind that we will all go off to do great things. We have the power to do whatever we wish. Go far in everything you do, and remember, your friends are only a phone call away.

For everyone else in my life, thank you for everything. You have all made me what I am today and I am forever grateful.

## Staff member looks back

By Bridget Losson



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## News Editor continued

we have been through. You have taught me a lot, especially to be my own person. I don't know what I would do without you because you are the person I look up to and rely on because you always know what to say. Thanks for everything and I hope that we stay close after I graduate.

Danny, wow, the last two years have been pretty crazy, and I never thought that we would become friends, but we did, and you have become one of my best friends and you have helped me through a lot. I hope that you get everything you want in life, and, oh, yeah, by the way, no, I won't do your homework for you in college.

Losson, you have been like a sister to me. I knew no matter how stupid what I did was that you would be there for me. I love the fact that you are your own person and, no matter what, you don't care what other people say about you. Bridget, you are a strong per-

son, and you will go far in life. To the underclassmen, make the most of your high school career. The years will fly by and you will wonder where they all went. Be yourself and remember you will only be happy if you are doing what you want to do, not what everybody else wants you to do.

Lastly, to my senior class, the class of 2005: thank you for everything. I am so glad that I came back to Troy, and thanks for making me feel at home. We have been through a lot as a class, but we made it through everything together. I have so many memories that I will take with me as I leave Troy, and like I said before, I wouldn't want it to end any other way with any other people. You all have truly made my time at Troy High School a time to remember, and I want to thank you all for everything you have all done for me.

## Senior Memories

By Amy Adams

As the seniors go on to do greater things in life they leave behind their memories. Throughout the years there have been fun times and some even embarrassing ones. Here are some of the memories most dear to them and ones they would like to forget!

### Grade school

"I remember my first day of kindergarten; I started crying because I didn't know anyone and I wanted to go home."  
John Hoverson

"Playing with the farm set was my favorite kindergarten memory."  
Eli Norris

"Building things with blocks with my friends was my favorite kindergarten memory."  
Jeremy Etherton

"In kindergarten I remember when Randy Stewart pushed a bookshelf on Dustin Jenkins."  
Shana Kostman

"In first grade I threw up all over the hallway after eating lunch. I felt so bad."  
Jena Pickerell

"Stephanie Adams hated me in first grade because I did everything with Kyle Greaser."  
Bethany Jenkins

"In second grade I remember I had a crush on the new

student teacher and so did Abby."  
Bethany Grable

"In second grade I got one of my Harter Hundreds taken away because Guy Masters threw a piece of paper at me. When I threw it back the teacher caught me."  
Abby Winder

"Nolan told me he was going to break up with me in second grade if I didn't let him in front of me in the tetherball line."  
Kelsey Thomas

"In third grade every girl in the class dated Brett Christenson, at the same time."  
Sarah Watkins

"Bethany Grable and I got into a fight for a week in fourth grade because we both wanted to be John Hoverson's girlfriend."  
Stephanie Adams

"Feeding the rats was my favorite fourth grade memory."  
Chris Gaither

"In fourth grade I got my first D on a test. It was about Antarctica and I was horrified. It was my first D and my last."  
Katie Merritt

"In fifth grade we studied the wetlands in science with a student teacher."  
Guy Masters

"In the sixth grade talent

show, Kelsey, Jena and I did a dance to Nsync 'Here we go,' It was so embarrassing."  
Abby Winder

"Going to Snow Creek was my favorite sixth grade memory."  
Nolan Franken

"Coming to Troy for the first time in sixth grade and getting in trouble with Travis Clary. We had to set in ISS for an assembly."  
Brei Richardson

"The play we did on the history of rock and roll was my favorite sixth grade memory. It was fun."  
Emily Merritt

### Entering the big middle school

"Travis Clary made Mr. Davenport's life miserable all seventh grade year; you know Mr. Davenport loved him for it."  
Emily Merritt

"In seventh grade some of my friends were staying the night at my house. We were

staying up really late and the paper man came to deliver our morning paper, only we didn't know it was the paper man; we thought he was a burglar and that he was going to kill us. We all went screaming through the house."  
Abby Winder

"Finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> in the county-wide spelling bee my seventh

grade year was my favorite memory."  
Colby Cluck

"In eighth grade we got Kyle Koehler and Travis Clary on the Detonator at Worlds of Fun."  
Nolan Franken

"I remember in eighth grade when we went to Worlds of

Fun and it started raining really hard. Mr. Davenport came into the bus after looking for me, Abby and Kelsey. He was so mad that it was funny. Then when we got home, we had to clean the bus."  
Bethany Grable

"In eighth grade Travis Clary got caught drinking in school and Stephanie missed it be-

cause she was suspended from school."  
Katie Merritt

"We went to the prison in Cameron. I remember how scared I was, and looking at everyone else and seeing how scared they were. It's kinda funny thinking back on it."  
Jena Pickerell

### The last four years

"Freshman year a bunch of the girls came to my house and we watched *Pearl Harbor* and Shana was crying so hard and she quoted the line, 'Wanna go flying, Benny,' and

his name was Danny."  
Bethany Grable

"I remember fighting with Stephanie on a bus freshman year and getting yelled at by Mr. Cash."  
Sarah Watkins

"I remember freshman year sitting in Mrs. Rockey's English class when we got the news about 9-11 and the plane crashes. We watched the news most of the day."  
Bethany Jenkins

with Nolan and Guy after studying college algebra and trig my junior year."  
Jay Johnson

"My favorite senior-year memory was when my daughter Noelle Skye Etherton was born."  
Jeremy Etherton

"My favorite memory of high school was playing Dacron, the villain, in our school play my senior year."  
Danny Rathmann

"My favorite senior memory was when Derek Jasper kissed me on the lips for Queen of Courts candidates' game! I had no idea who it was and when I found out, I just thought it was extremely disgusting. He being both my basketball coach and

my brother-in-law was just wrong."  
Kelsey Thomas

"My favorite memory of my senior year summer was going with my family to the Pepsi 400 race at the Daytona International SuperSeedway and the opportunity to write the Troy football stories for the *Chief*."  
Colby Cluck

"Getting to be a Homecoming candidate with my friends."  
Shana Kostman

"We went to a cemetery during Halloween and Laura Tharman, Elisabeth Tharman and Jessica Watkins scared us."  
Katie Merritt



The senior class of 2005 pose for group picture

"Junior year I went to prom with Colby, had a great time, and was with friends. After-prom was fun too; the night was perfect."  
Brei Richardson

"My favorite memory is spotlighting

## Senior Farewells

By Molly Geiger

Kelsey Suzanne,

Although we'll never again be giggling 5-year-olds at Kay's, we can always cherish the memories created there. You will always be the loudest Lady Trojan Basketball fan. Love,  
Jenna Grable

Abigail Winder,

Thanks for supporting me in everything. You were always encouraging at church and in school. Your humble attitude will get you far in life. You're awesome at everything and will never fail. Keep trusting God! Love,  
Jenna Grable

Stephanie,

I just want to wish you luck in everything you do in life. I know you will succeed. Thank you for all the help you've provided me, in and out of school. Love ya,  
Casey Beemer

To all senior guys,

No matter how much you've all made fun of me, I will still miss you. You are all great people and I know you will go far in life. Nolan, thank you for everything; you may not know it, but you have taught me a lot. KG, high school has gone by so fast with you, burn! Jordan, we have been through a lot in the past two years. We have had a lot of great times and some rough times. I just want you to know that things will get up to you. You are a very strong person. Kyle Koehler, it has been fun hearing all of your smart-aleck remarks, and I wouldn't change a thing. Good luck, boys, I will miss you. Love ya,  
Casey Beemer

Brei,

These past years with you have been a blast. We haven't really got to hang out very much, but we have made some memories out of the times we've had.

Congratulate yourself for all the things that you have accomplished, all the challenges you've met, goals you have achieved, and being there for someone very special. Celebrate yourself through a future filled with success and happiness, and dreams coming true. Live life to the fullest and never forget me. Love ya,  
Micheal

Brei,

The past two years have gone by so fast. We have had our fights and our "understandings," but most of all we have had our fun. Brei, I'm going to miss you and I hope that whatever you decide to do, it makes you happy. Love,  
Ginny Hodge

Class of 2005,

For every ending there is a new beginning. For every memory there is a dream ahead, the happy times you have had so far. The people you have met will always be a part of your life that you will never quite forget. Even better, brighter days are waiting for you. So dream you dreams, and wherever you go, go with all your heart.

Micheal Springstead

Abby, Kelsey, Shana, and Jena,

You guys have been great friends and a blast to have around. I wish you all the best in whatever you do. Follow your dreams, and never lose hope. Love always,  
Johnna Pasch

Eli,

I can't believe you're leaving me. I have had so many great times with you, and I hope there are more to come. You are one of the nicest guys I have ever met, don't ever let that change! Love always,  
Johnna Pasch

Kenny,

You have been a very good friend to me this year. You have always been there when I needed someone to talk to. You can always bring a smile to my face. Thank you so much for everything. Good luck in all you do and keep in touch! Love always,  
Johnna Pasch

Shana Rae,

No matter what or how much I write, it will never be enough to thank you for everything or show you how much I love you. I owe so many of my great memories to you. These past two years of being in high school with you have been the most fun years of my life. No matter where life takes you, know you'll always have a friend in me, and a special place in my heart. I love you and good luck, Nana!

Janie Kristin

Joce,

You have made this year for me so much better, because I had someone to talk to. Next year is going to be different without you. How will I ever stand this place next year? But I think I'll survive though. You are a great friend and person. I hope your dreams all come true and my best wishes to you and Travis.

Love ya,  
Cassie Jo

Chris,

I know we have had a lot of hard times, but I still see you as a good friend. I'm really gonna miss you next year and I wish you the best in everything you do. Love Always  
Johnna Pasch

Stephanie (Teppie),

When you are lonely, think of when we shared a room. When you are sad, think of when you made me slide down the hot slide. When you are angry think of all the times I ever made you laugh. When you're not with me, I will still be with you. I love you! Always and forever, your lil sis,  
Amy Adams (Badoboo)

Jeremy Thomas,

It seems like only yesterday you were a freshman and you and I had just met. I cannot believe you are already graduating and opening a new chapter of your wonderful life. I am so glad I get to spend it with you. I will miss you; it won't be the same without you at school. I will soon catch up and graduate too, opening up a new chapter of my life and spending it with you. I love you!  
Ashley Marie

Kelsey,

Even though it took us until this year to become close friends it has been fun anyway. I'm looking forward to more fun times. I will miss all of your smart-aleck comments (skunk). Don't forget about me!

Love,  
Casey Beemer

Abby,

You are an amazing person and friend and it has been a blast playing sports with you. I don't know what I'm going to do without you next year!  
Love, Blair Cummings

Nolan,

It seems like yesterday I was chasing you around, trying to be just like you. I looked up to you so much and I want you to know I still do. When we were little, we fought over every little thing, now you are the person I go to for advice. Your opinion means so much to me. It will be weird not having you around next year— I won't have anyone to help match clothes for. I couldn't ask for a better brother. Love,  
Whitney Franken

Shana (NaRae)

I really don't want to do this; I'm going to be so lost without you next year. Shana, you are one of the best things that has ever happened to me. You have given me a hug and smile after every lecture. I may not always do what you say, but I always listen. We've had lots of memories together and a lot of lessons learned. We have confided in each other for over a year and even though you are leaving THS, I know we will always be friends. I love you!  
Casey Beemer

Guy,

In the past years that we have spent together I have learned so much from you. You are such an amazing person with the determination to get what you want like no one else I know. That will take you wherever you want to go in life. Wherever the road may lead I will always be here, believing in you and offering whatever help that I can. Thank you for everything you've done for me and the best of luck to you!

Love you,  
Blair Cummings

## Senior's share favorites

By Cassie Siard

The seniors tell their all-time favorite movies and songs before they go their own ways:



**Brett Christenson**

Movie- *Friday Night Lights*  
 Song- "I Go Back" by Kenny Chesney



**Derek Shelton**

Movie- *Love and Basketball*  
 Song- "Luven Me" by Nelly



**Chris Gaither**

Movie- *Dazed and Confused*  
 Song- "Walk This Way" by Aerosmith



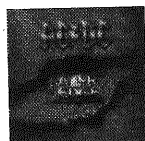
**Kyle Greaser**

Movie- *O Brother, Where Art Thou?*  
 Song- "Burn" by Usher



**Bethany Grable**

Movie- *The Wedding Planner*  
 Song- "You Are" by Jimmy Wayne



**Miles Clary**

Movie- *Varsity Blues*  
 Song- "Razor's Edge" by AC/DC



**Nolan Franken**

Movie- *Home Alone*



**Bethany Jenkins**

Movie- *Top Gun*  
 Song- "Bless the Broken Road" by Rascal Flatts



**Abby Winder**

Movie- *The Shawshank Redemption*  
 Song- "To Be With You" by Mr. Big



**Kyle Koehler**

Movie- *Open Range*  
 Song- "The Ride" by Tim McGraw



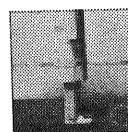
**Shana Kostman**

Movie- *Ladder 49*  
 Song- "Bless the Broken Road" by Rascal Flatts



**Bridget Losson**

Movie- *8 Seconds*  
 Song- "Guys Do It (All The Time)" by Mindy McCree



**Colby Cluck**

Movie- *Friday Night Lights*  
 Song- "Breach Birth" by Chevelle



**Eli Norris**

Movie- *Tommy Boy* or *8 Seconds*



**Tim Snead**

Movie- *Halloween 4, the Return of Michael Myers*  
 Song- "Disco Inferno" by 50 Cent



**Kelsey Thomas**

Movie- *The Notebook*  
 Song- "Bless the Broken Road" by Rascal Flatts



**Brian Horner**

Movie- *Happy Gilmore*  
 Song- "Burn" by Usher

## Seniors relay advice

By Cassie Siard

Seniors reflect on the best advice they received during high school.

### Best Advice Given To The Underclassmen

"Have as much fun as you can and don't take everything so seriously."  
 Emily Merritt

"Everything gets worse before it gets better."  
 Jeremy Etherton

"Follow your heart and do what you want. Don't do what everyone else wants you to do because you will never truly be happy if you don't listen to your heart."  
 Brei Richardson

"When the times get tough, then get tough on the times." or "Don't let anyone bring you down; it's your life so live it."  
 Danny Rathmann

"If you're going to do something, go all in. Don't just do it partially; it's all or none."  
 John Hoverson

"Don't worry about what other people think. It's a waste of time."  
 Jena Pickerell

"Don't let dumb stuff ruin friendship," or "You can't control everything."  
 Katie Merritt

"Don't sleep in every class, just a few."  
 Chris Taylor

"Have as much fun as possible; it doesn't last long."  
 Shana Kostman

"No regrets; do things for yourself because that's what makes you your own special person."  
 Dominic Martinez

"Take as many of Mrs. Rockey's classes as you can. Even though everyone says she gives to much homework, she's one of the best teachers I've had."  
 Kelsey Thomas

"You're only in high school once so you need to make the most of it."  
 Stephanie Adams

"Don't ever feel sorry for yourself or you'll just waste a lot of energy and lose a lot of friends."  
 Sarah Watkins

### Best Advice Received

"You can't change the past, but you can always work on the future."  
 Stephanie Adams

"You'll never stand out until

you set yourself apart from the crowd."  
 Sarah Watkins

"Don't let other people bring you down."  
 Guy Masters

"It's better to be hated for who you are, than to be loved for who you are not."  
 Jocelyn Bishop

"Use your burdens to make yourself better."  
 Chris Taylor

"Treat others as you would like to be treated."  
 Abby Winder

"Good advice comes to those who wait."  
 Bethany Grable

"You're only in high school once so have a blast."  
 Shana Kostman

"Stay low; keep your feet moving."  
 Colby Cluck

"Do what you want and not what everyone else wants you to do."  
 Kelsey Thomas

"Don't be afraid to make mistakes."  
 Emily Merritt

"Make the most of high school. Be involved in everything you can."  
 Brei Richardson

"Keep your head up. Stand up for what is right."  
 Danny Rathmann

## Seniors tell of plans after high school

By Bethany Jenkins

As the seniors prepare themselves to graduate, they were asked what they plan to do after high school. Here is what some of them had to say:

"I plan to go to college and major in theatre, then go on to be an actor/choreographer. I might double major for business management so I can start a business after working awhile." Danny Rathmann

"I can't really decide on a career so I'm going to take a break and try some music stuff." Sarah Watkins

"I plan on attending Highland Community College, then transfer to a four-year college and major in accounting or business finance." John Hoverson

"Go to Highland Community College and major in elementary education." Shana Kostman

"Go to Vo-Tech and major in building and trades." Tim Snead

"Go to Highland and get my pre-nursing degree, and either finish there. Go to work then go back to school and get my RN degree." Bridget Losson

"I plan to go to Kansas State University to study pre-vet." Bethany Grable

"I plan to go to the Art Institute of Colorado in Denver." Chris Taylor

"I will attend Benedictine College and major in elementary education. I will also play basketball there." Abby Winder

"Go to Southwest Missouri State University and major in education of the deaf and hard of hearing." Katie Merritt

"I will attend Highland Community College for two years and get my AAS in pre-law. Then transfer to a four-year university and get my doctorate in law so that I can be an attorney." Stephanie Adams

"After high school, I plan on going into the Navy and making money." Brei Richardson

"I will attend Highland Community College and study early childhood education." Kelsey Thomas

"I plan on doing journalism." Colby Cluck

"Go to Friends University in Wichita." Jocelyn Bishop

"Go to Highland Community College for two years and then go to Vo-Tech in Atchison for two years." Miles Clary

"Go to Highland Community College and major in elementary education." Bethany Jenkins

"Go to college." Derek Shelton

"I will be going into the military." Jeremy Etherton

"I plan to go to Vo-Tech." Kyle Greaser

"Undecided." Chris Gaither

"Go to college and keep working to pay for college." Emily Merritt

"I plan to go to work." Kyle Koehler

"I don't know yet." Brett Christenson

"Attend Highland Community College." Guy Masters

"Attend Highland Community College in the fall." Jena Pickerell

"Go to college." Brian Horner

## Seniors predict their lives in 10 years

By Bethany Jenkins

As the seniors are leaving one chapter of their life, they start thinking about the next chapter and where it is going to lead them. They were asked where they see themselves ten years down the road.

"I hope to be out of debt and starting a family." Jocelyn Bishop

"I see myself being a star and teaching people new dances, basically being rich, maybe have my own show." Danny Rathmann

"I will have a nice car, be married, and have a family." Tim Snead

"I hope to be settled down with a husband and a few kids." Kelsey Thomas

"I plan on having two or three kids, lots of money, and being happy." Brei Richardson

"Out of school and working as a defense attorney, married, and maybe had a few kids." Stephanie Adams

"I think I will be married, maybe having kids and working as a Guidance Counselor at a grade school." Abby Winder

"In ten years I see myself working for Pixar, Arenanet, or Blizzard." Chris Taylor

"I see myself starting a family." John Hoverson

"I hope to be working with cars somewhere." Jeremy Etherton

I hope to be teaching, married, and maybe have a kid." Bethany Jenkins

"I see myself making money to support my family." Kyle Greaser

"Who knows. Life is unpredictable but I see myself married with a couple kids and a good job that I love." Emily Merritt

"Still working." Chris Gaither

"I will be married and maybe have a family." Brett Christenson

"I will have a huge house on the lake or in the mountains with a beautiful wife." Guy Masters

"I hope to be working, hopefully married, starting a family, and living a very happy life." Jena Pickerell

"In 10 years I would like to work 40 hours a week and have my weekends off to spend at the lake with the jet ski, the speed boat, and the Dodge Ram Charger to pull it." Dominic Martinez

"I will hopefully have a family." Bethany Grable

"I may be married with one kid. I will hopefully be doing a job I enjoy." Katie Merritt

"I hope to have a good job and a family." Derek Shelton

"I want to have a family or be starting a family." Shana Kostman

"I want to be somewhere as a sports writer, hopefully in a high ranking position." Colby Cluck

"I will probably be married with one bratty kid, hopefully on a small ranch." Sarah Watkins

"I will still be working and having lots of money." Kyle Koehler

"I want to be married with two kids and working full time as a nurse." Bridget Losson

"I see myself with kids in 10 years." Brian Horner

"In 10 years I'm still hopefully not dead." Miles Clary

# Trojans earn two 2<sup>nds</sup> at County Meet

By Ryan Jones

The Troy boys and girls competed in the Doniphan County Meet April 28, both earning 2<sup>nd</sup> place finishes in the meet, scoring 79 and 77 points respectively.

The Troy boys were led by Garrett Twombly, Tim Snead, John Hoverson, and Kameron Duncan. Twombly earned a gold medal in the 300m hurdles with a time of 43.23 seconds. He also finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the long jump, with 20'1.5." Snead earned a gold medal in shot put with 43'11.5." He also placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in javelin with 138'8." Hoverson earned a 1<sup>st</sup>-place finish in javelin, throwing 147'1." He also placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 100m dash, with 11.87 seconds. Duncan earned a gold medal in the 3200m run, with 11 minutes 26.20 seconds. He also placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the high jump with a height of 5'02." Jay Johnson earned 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 400m dash with 54.55 sec-

onds. Caylor Luther earned a 3<sup>rd</sup>-place finish in the triple

placed 1<sup>st</sup> along with the

respectively. The 4x400m relay placed 2<sup>nd</sup> with 3 minutes 50.49 seconds, and the boys' 4x800m relay team placed 4<sup>th</sup> with 10 minutes 51.64 seconds.

The girls were led by Abby Winder and Kara Masters. Winder earned 1<sup>st</sup> place in shot put, with 31'1.75." She also earned a gold medal in javelin with 123.' She earned a 2<sup>nd</sup>-place finish in discus with a distance of 80'7." Masters placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the 100m hurdles with 18.29 seconds. Jena Johnson earned a 2<sup>nd</sup>-place finish in the

placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 100m hurdles with 18.85 seconds. Whitney Franken earned a 2<sup>nd</sup>-place finish in the 300m hurdles with 55.60 seconds. Franken also placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the long jump with 13'3.5." Emily Shultz finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the long jump with 13'10." Shultz also earned 4<sup>th</sup> in high jump and pole vault with heights of 4'4" and 6', respectively. Whitney Sutton earned 3<sup>rd</sup> in the triple jump with 29'.5." Jessica Sutherland placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the triple jump with a distance of 28'5." Kacie Fenley placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the shot put with a throw of 26'3.5." Fenley also placed 4<sup>th</sup> in discus with 72'6." Courtney Turpin earned a 5<sup>th</sup>-place finish in javelin with 82'10."

The girls' 4x100m relay placed 2<sup>nd</sup> with 55.86 seconds.



Matt Ploeger hands off to his teammate Levi Jenkins

jump with 38'8.25." He also placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the long jump with 18'5.5."

The boys' 4x100m relay

boys' 4x100m relay weight

man. They ran times of 45.79

seconds and 50.86 seconds,

3200m run with 13

minutes 36.60 seconds.

Stephanie Adams

## Seniors look back at favorite sports memories

By Casey Beemer

It's the seniors' last chance to reflect back on their favorite sports memories with each other. Here are some of their most memorable sports moments:

"My most memorable sports memory was when we beat KC Christian on Queen of Courts!"

~Bethany Grable

"The sectional game against Sedan."

~Nolan Franken

"Right after the National Anthem of the Sedan game, looking up and seeing the plane fly over in memory of Don Clary and Clinton Wisdom."

~Jordan Frump

"Playing basketball in my 4<sup>th</sup>-grade to my 6<sup>th</sup>-grade years."

~Brett Christenson

"On the way to Valley Falls, I rode on the coldest bus there ever was. Then, we lost to Valley Falls. It was the worst memory ever, but a very memorable one."

~Abby Winder

"The Sedan game when the plane flew over before the game."

~Guy Masters

"My most memorable moment would be when I won the gold medal at the county track meet my freshman year in the 100-meter high hurdles."

~Stephanie Adams

"When our 5<sup>th</sup> grade basketball team won almost every tournament we entered."

~Eli Norris

"When the girls started playing in basketball leagues in grade school. We only scored two points in our first game but then improved to four points the next game."

~Bethany Jenkins

"Watching the girls go to state in both volleyball and basketball my freshman year and being able to cheer them on at both."

~Katie Merritt

I went to a KU volleyball game with my team, and I was walking down the stairs, and I tripped and fell in front of everyone. The girls made fun of me for the rest of the day."~Shana Kostman

"When I scored a touchdown my junior year in the game against Onaga."

~Miles Clary

"When we traveled down to Onaga, we were big underdogs and we ended up spanking them. First team in Troy history to win two playoff games."

~John Hoverson

"My most memorable sports moment was when we beat KCC this year in basketball! They were ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in 3A and we ended up beating them by 13! It was Queen of Courts and the win made the night so much better."

~Kelsey Thomas

"This is easy; my most memorable moment was the Onaga game, the way we beat them even though we were big underdogs. The way the fans reacted was awesome."

~Colby Cluck

"My most memorable moment was when we beat Onaga in the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the football playoffs this year."

~Derek Shelton

"The regional football game against Onaga was the most memorable sports moment for me this year."

~Jay Johnson

"Watching my classmates go so far in football."

~Kenny Peden

## Seniors tell their greatest sports accomplishment

By Casey Beemer

The class of 2005 has had many great sports moments throughout the years. They took some time to look back to tell some of their sports accomplishments.

Here's what they had to say:

"Well, the only sport I do is track. So my greatest accomplishment would be the fact that in the last four years I have made it to finals at every meet but one!"

~ Stephanie Adams

"When our 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls' 4x200 relay team finally beat Horton."

~ Bethany Jenkins

"I got to be co-captain of the cheer squad with Bethany Jenkins. We had so much fun."

~ Katie Merritt

"My greatest accomplishment was when I held Kristin Knoth to fewer than ten points in the KC Christian game and we won!"

~ Bethany Grable

"When I was selected 1st team All-League defensive end and honorable mention All-State; also getting 21 sacks this season."

~ "Big" John Hoverson

"My greatest sports accomplishment was my freshman year when I got to play at the State Tournament! Also when I was a freshman, I won the free-throw contest at the Hiawatha Tourney."

~ Kelsey Thomas

"My greatest individual accomplishment would have to be being honored for 1<sup>st</sup> team all-league at tackle. As a team I would have to say the beginning of the Sedan game."

~ Colby Cluck

"Making it to the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of the playoffs in football this season."

~ Derek Shelton

"Playing in the sectional game against Sedan this year was the greatest accomplishment for me in sports."

~ Jay Johnson

"Having the opportunity to play at the State Tournament was my favorite accomplishment."

~ Abby Winder

"Beating Savannah in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade for the championship."

~ Brett Christenson

"When we made it to the sectionals in football against Sedan even though we lost."

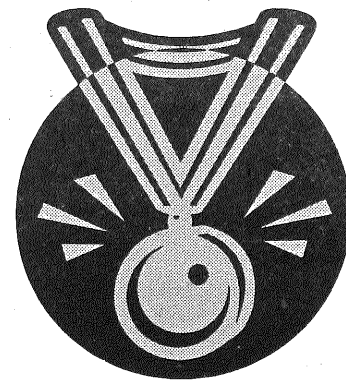
~ Jordan Frump

"Playing in the sectional football game against Sedan."

~ Nolan Franken

"Making it to the 3<sup>rd</sup> round in class 2A state playoffs."

~ Guy Masters



## Trojan athletes receive awards for their successes

By Johnna Pasch

The 2004-2005 Troy High School Awards Night was Tuesday evening, May 10. The sports awards section is where the coaches can reward their athletes for all the hard work they have done throughout the seasons and recognize all those who have lettered.

Letters were given in cross country, volleyball, dance, cheerleading, football, and basketball. Coach Cash recognized that this was the first time that everyone who participated in football received

a letter.

In football, Guy Masters received the Tom Keller award. This award is given to the player who had the most tackles for the season. Masters was also a Delaware Valley All-League pick. Nolan Franken, Jay Johnson, Colby Cluck, Miles Clary, Kyle Greaser, Kyle Koehler, John Hoverson, Timmy Snead, and Derek Shelton were also DVL All-League picks.

The lady Trojan volleyball team was under a new coach this year. They all received

awards of participation, and many received letters. Abby Winder was the only one who received an All-League honor.

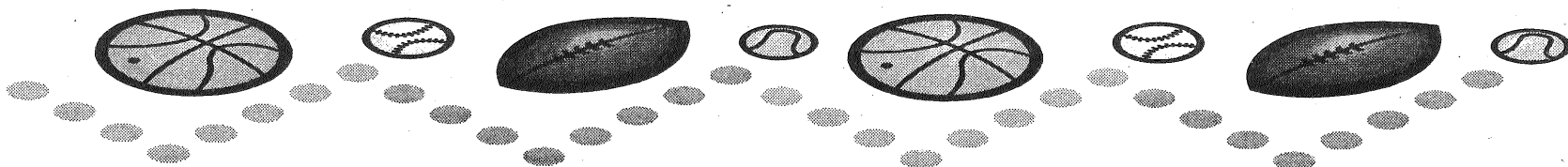
Coach Joel Kahnt gave special awards in basketball. Nolan Franken had the most scores of the season and the highest field goal percentage. Garret Twombly had the most rebounds and the most free-throws. Guy Masters had the most assists, and he tied with Derek Shelton for the most steals. The All-League selections went to Nolan Franken who had a unanimous vote, and

Garrett Twombly and Derek Shelton tied for honorable mention.

In girls' basketball Abby Winder received numerous awards and was an All-League selection. Other All-League selections were Molly Geiger and Kara Masters.

Football coach Don Cash announced that he would not be returning as the football coach next season. He is going to take on the principal job at Troy High School. He said, "I look forward to being the principal next year at Troy

High School. I have been in the Troy system for 26 years in several different capacities. Although I loved coaching football and track the last 19 years, it is time for me to move to new challenges and opportunities. I had an old coach tell me several years ago that you will know when it is the right time, and I feel that now is the right time for me to make this change."



# Troy struggles at Wathena track meet

By Ryan Jones

The Troy Track team competed in the Wathena Invitational May 4. The girls placed sixth overall. The boys placed fifth.

Kara Masters placed first in the 100m high hurdles with 17.560. Whitney Franken placed second in the 300m



low hurdles with 55.220.

Cameron Blanton hurries to catch up with his opponent

Jena Johnson placed second in 3200m run with 13:34.870.

Stephanie Adams placed fourth in 100m high hurdles with 18.530. For the girls' 4x100 relay team placed fourth

118'8". Emily Shultz placed third in pole vault with 6'6". Abby Winder placed third in shot put with 31'6.5". Emily

Shultz placed fifth in long jump with 14'10.5". For the boys' side, John Hoverson placed first in the 100m dash with 11.610. Jay Johnson placed fourth in 200m dash with 24.430. Garrett Twombly placed third in 300m intermediate with 43.830. Kameron

Duncan placed second in 3200m run with 11:21.350. The boys' 4x100 relay team placed third with 45.560. The boys' 4x800m relay placed

fifth with 10:04.090. Jay Johnson placed first in third in javelin with 140'1". Garret Twombly placed sixth in long jump with 18'7".

Tim Snead placed third in shot put with 43'8". Caylor Luther placed first in triple jump with 37'11.750.

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