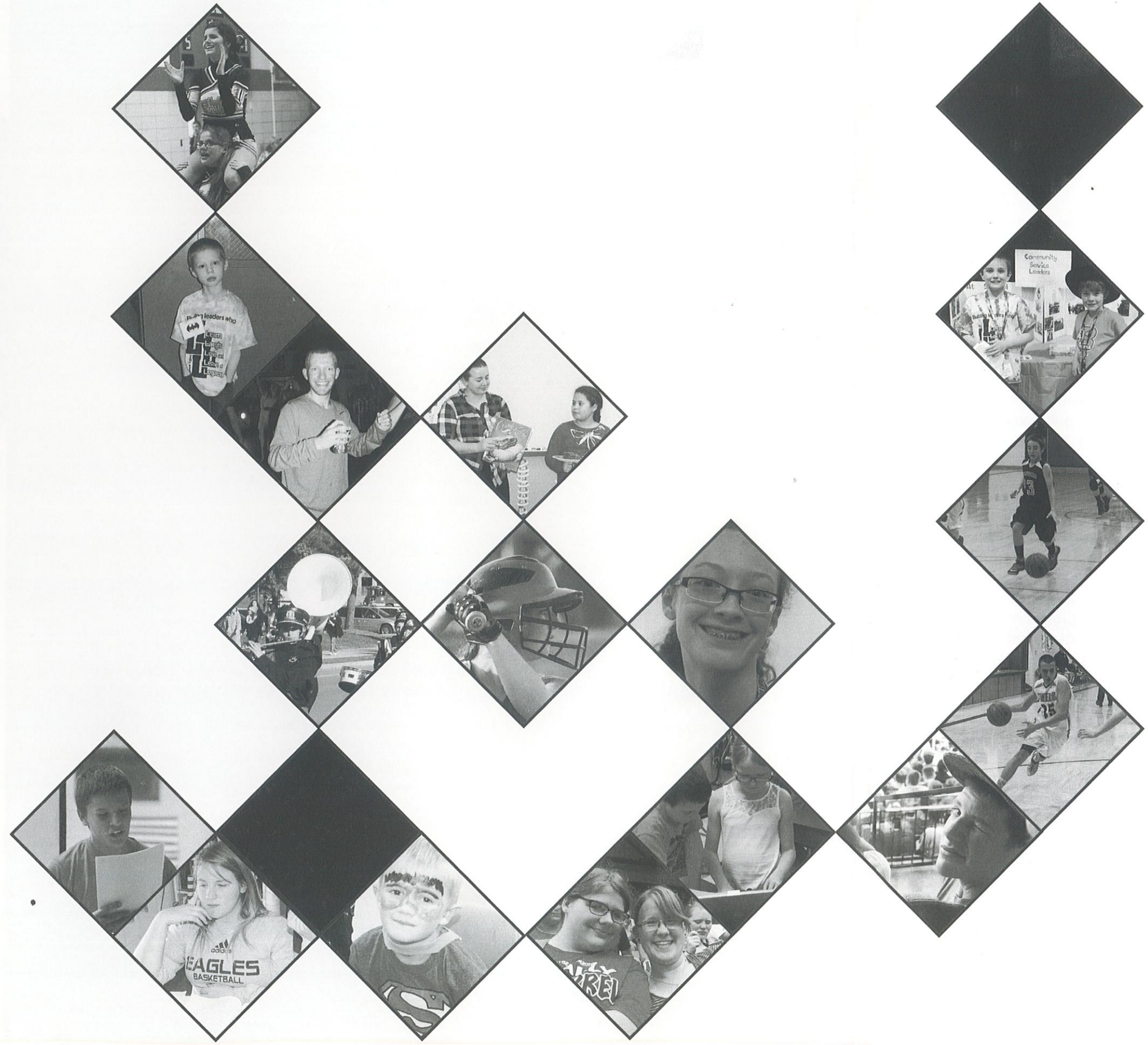


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Leadership has become a buzzword around Adair County R-II School, but what exactly does leadership mean, and what does it look like? We think of great political leaders, spiritual leaders, or leaders in industry. We wonder, do you have to be exemplary in a certain area to be a leader? John Quincy Adams said simply, "If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more, and become more, you are a leader." A leader, then, can be anyone.

With this yearbook, we set out to define and showcase leadership. We've looked for instances of our students dreaming bigger, inspiring others, learning more, and doing more.

This year, our elementary school became a Lighthouse school for the Leader in Me program, incorporating leadership qualities into every aspect of the classroom and school. Students, faculty, staff, parents, and the community collaborated to work toward an optimal learning environment for elementary students.

We lead the way by taking responsibility in school and serving the community. For years, organizations like FBLA, NHS, and Student Council have completed community service projects, but all around the school this year, students are dedicated to serving others. From school improvement projects, to helping others near and far, our students, kindergarten through seniors, lead the way in service.

Our students also show leadership in clubs. We coordinate activities and fundraisers. We set goals and make plans. We hold positions of office, and we pass the standard on to younger students.

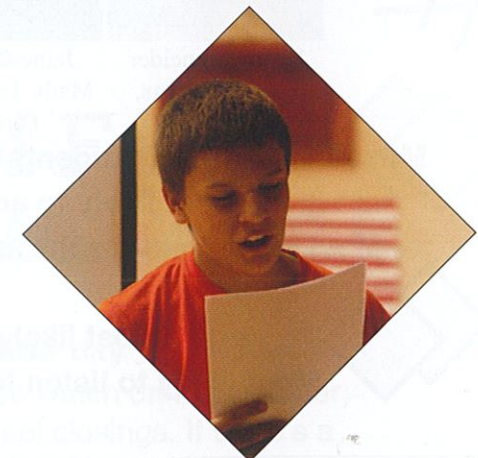
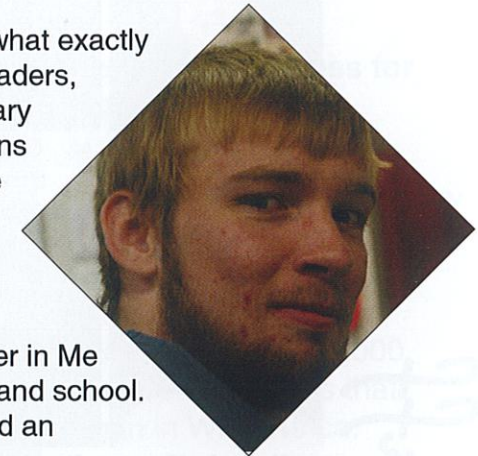
On sports teams, more experienced players share their knowledge and encourage younger teammates. We show leadership by always giving our best, and always having a positive and encouraging attitude.

In the classroom, leadership is any action that helps the class be successful and effective. It can be demonstrated with personal academic excellence. It can be prominent, like organizing a project or leading a discussion, or it can be unseen, like helping a friend study for a test.

From the high achievements of several students to the simple day to day actions of many, we believe Adair County R-II Students truly

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Our theme is not only a reflection of the school year, but also a vision for the future.



Faculty and Staff



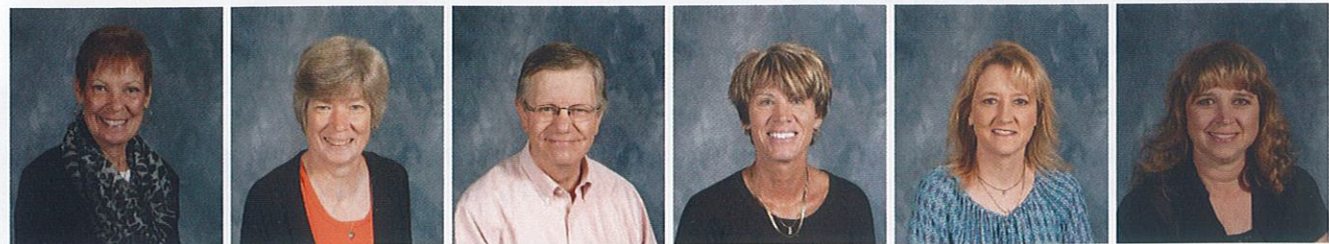
Shelly Shipman Superintendent Brent Doolin Principal Danie Becker Art Daniel Carpenter Paraprofessional Corbin Coe P.E., Health Debbie Dore Paraprofessional



Rhonda Fisher Paraprofessional Carl Garr Custodian Christy Grissom Guidance Angela Hall Paraprofessional Candace Harrington K-12 Secretary Michael Killen Industrial Arts



Karen Leffler Paraprofessional Diane McGinnis Language Arts Jeffrey McHenry History Elizabeth Mills Paraprofessional Erin Moots Math Ron Parrish Custodian



Judy Pearce Paraprofessional Nancy Peterson Special Education James Rearick Science Martha Reese Business Cheryl Reeves A+, At-Risk, Health Renee Reeves Accountant



Heath Schneider Language Arts, Library James Scudder Math, Technology Director Becky Thomas Reading Sheri Turner Nurse Tonya Wood Special Education

Not Pictured:
Cooks: Cathy March, Barbara Person, Darlene Withrow, and Pam Mihalevich
Bus Drivers: Gary Clark, Lajeana Coin, and Jeff Osborn

Most likely to help students with homework *Mrs. Moots*

Most likely to accept your my-dog-ate-my-homework-story *Mr. Scudder*

Most likely to know the answer *Renee*

Most likely to rock No-Shave November *Carl*

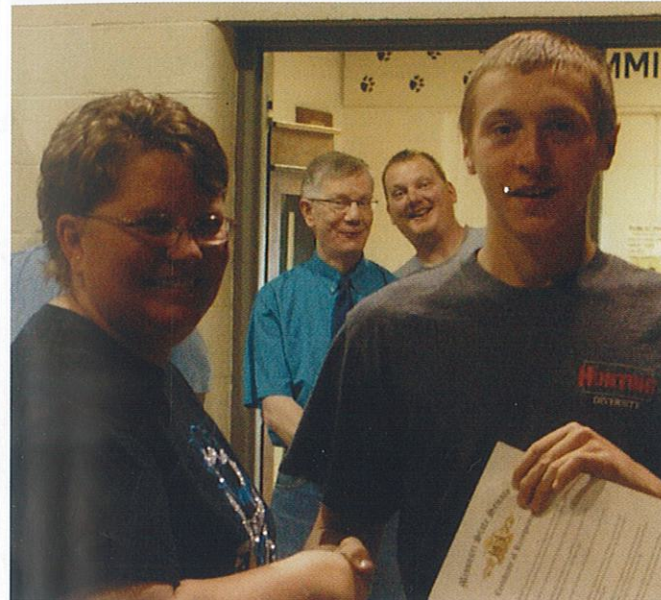
Most likely to make you get your work done *Mrs. Reeves*

Most likely to listen to your stories *Mrs. McGinnis*

Most likely to have been in a band with your dad *Ron*



Best Classroom Hangout *Ms. Becker*
Students agree that the best place to hang out is the art room. Ms. Becker creates a welcoming environment that everyone enjoys.

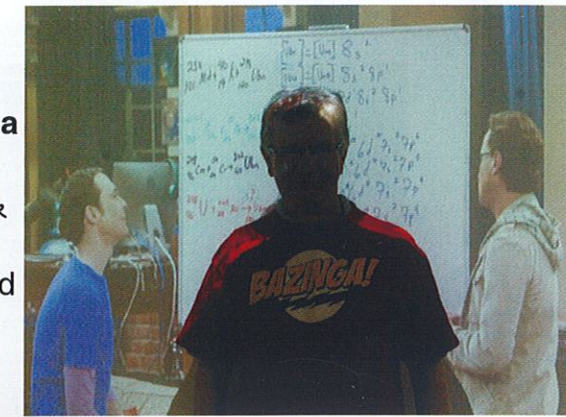


Most likely to photo-bomb a picture
Doctor Rearick and Coach Coe

Taking advantage of the opportunity, Dr. Rearick and Coach Coe get in on a picture from the end of the year awards program.

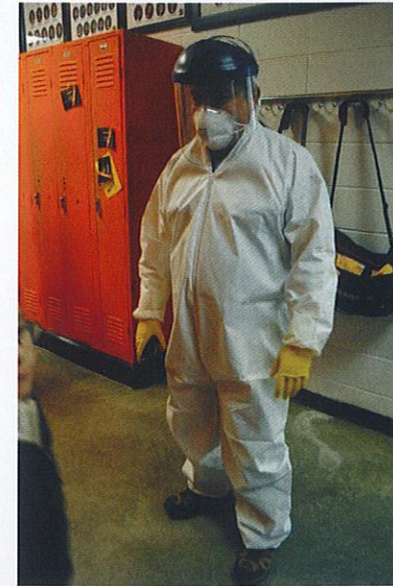


Most likely to make a Big Bang Theory reference *Dr. Rearick*
It's unusual to get through a class period without a mention of *Big Bang Theory*.



Most likely to dress for the occasion

Mr. McHenry
For Halloween, Mr. McHenry played on our fears by wearing protective gear against the Ebola virus, which killed nearly 5,000 people in outbreaks that began in West Africa.



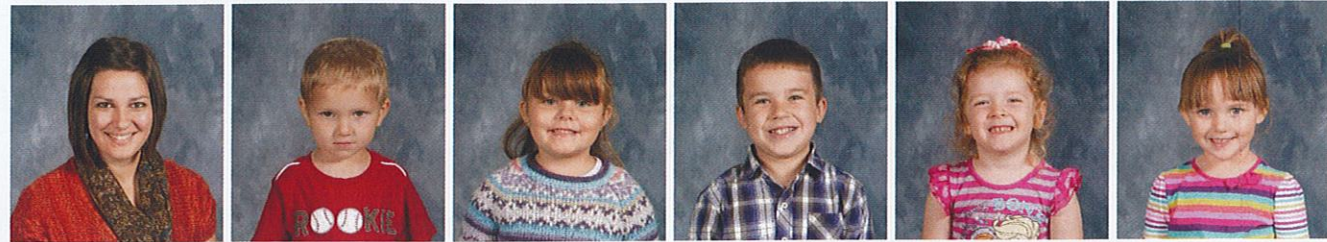
Most likely to talk about cars *Mr. Carpenter*
We all know what Mr. Carpenter's hobby is, and we all know who to go to with a mechanical question.

Hall of Fame

We are all known by our actions.

Most likely to want a snow day *Nurse Sheri*
Nurse Sheri keeps a close watch on the weather, road conditions, and school closings. If there's a snow day on the way, Nurse Sheri will know.

Busy Bees



Mrs. Chelsea Coe Coleman Darnel Allisyn Grgurich Kaden Hettinger Madison Howard Aubree Newland



Gus Noe Korwin Norton Eliana O'Connor Landon Shannon Isaac Weibrecht



Left to right: Aubree Newland, Madison Howard, Ellie O'Connor, Isaac Weibrecht, Landon Shannon, Korwin Norton, Coleman Darnel, Allisyn Grgurich, and Kaden Hettinger



Along with elementary and high school students, Busy Bees dress up for Halloween and parade around the elementary gym.



Aubree Newland wears a witch costume for the class Halloween party.



Busy Bee students wear Pilgrim hats and bonnets while learning about the first Thanksgiving. Left to right: Madison Howard, Coleman Darnel, Korwin Norton, Allisyn Grgurich, Kaden Hettinger, Aubree Newland, Landon Shannon, and Gus Noe



Students enjoy reading books. Above left: Madison Howard, Landon Shannon, Kaden Hettinger, and Korwin Norton Above right: Eliana O'Connor and Aubree Newland



Allisyn Grgurich and Gus Noe work on coloring pages.

Kindergarten



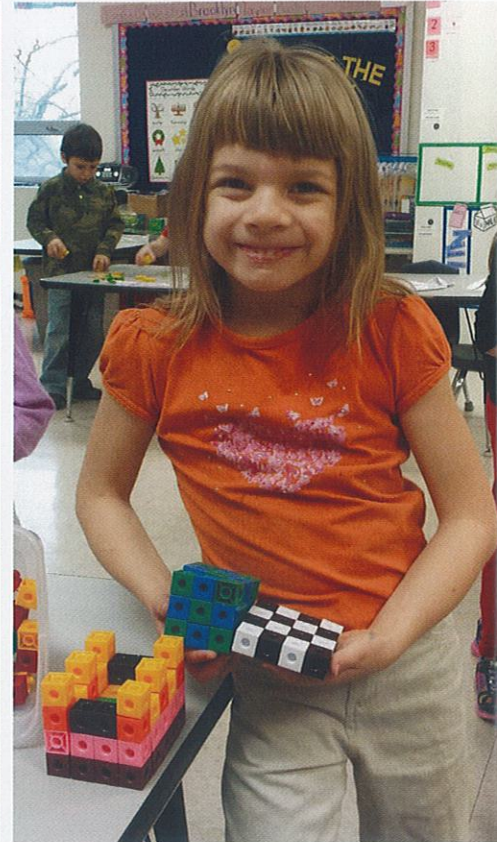
Ms. Justine Bane Isabella Ambrosia Weston Darnel Brooklyn Holt Taylor Houghton Austin Kensy



Noah Lewis Emma Newland Ann Sizemore Brynn Vogel



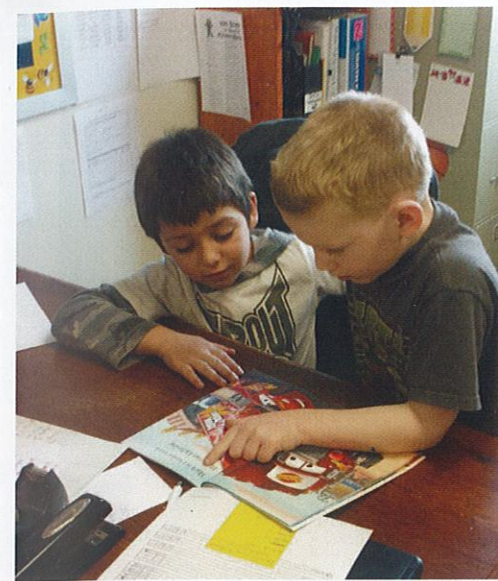
During a plant unit in science, Austin Kensy brought in a bag of plants and roots for his classmates to examine. Ms. Bane recalled the story, "He took charge and asked everyone to meet him at his table and started passing around the roots. He said, 'Miss Bane, I need paper and pencil to write the differences down between the roots!' We had been writing our observations down during our class examinations. They spent about 15-20 minutes doing this. The kids were raising their hands and Austin was calling on them!"



Design Ann Sizemore shows her patterns and designs built with plastic blocks.



Duo Emma Newland and Brooklyn Holt work together to carry a beach ball between them while running a race.



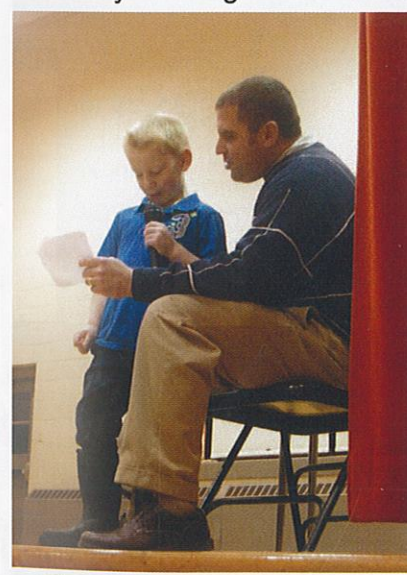
Read With a Friend Above left, Noah Lewis and Austin Kensy share a book, while above right, Taylor Houghton and Isabella Ambrosia sit in the reading corner.



Feast To celebrate Thanksgiving, the class learned about the Pilgrims and Native Americans and the first Thanksgiving. The students enjoyed their lunch in the classroom in costumes. Above left, Isabella Ambrosia, Emma Newland, and Taylor Houghton wear Native American feathers, while above right, Brooklyn Holt wears a Pilgrim bonnet.



Construction Zone Noah Lewis and Austin Kensy proudly display their block tower. Noah requested that a picture be taken, saying, "We synergized and made a tower!"



Speak Out At a varsity basketball game, Austin Kensy, with the help of Mr. Doolin, welcomes fans to the game.



Frozen Isabella Ambrosia dresses as Elsa the Snow Queen for Halloween.



Life Size Students work together to color a turtle shell on the floor. For the "Under the Sea" reading unit, students researched marine animals. The paper turtle was the actual size of a small sea turtle.

First Grade



Mrs. Lisa Fisher Bailee Crandall Cole Erwin Caleb Grissom Brayton Henrichs Jayden Kugler

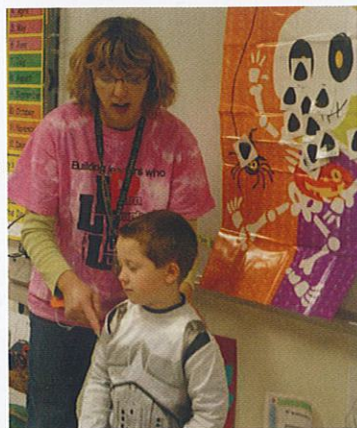


Heidi Lay Aiden Loper Jacob Love Bobbianne Magruder Piper Magruder Madison Moots



Magdalene Neighbors Adasyn Osborn Noah Shannon Amy Sizemore Caden Taylor Shelbi Weaver

Spin During the class Halloween party, Mrs. Fisher spins Noah Shannon before he attempts to pin the nose on the skeleton.

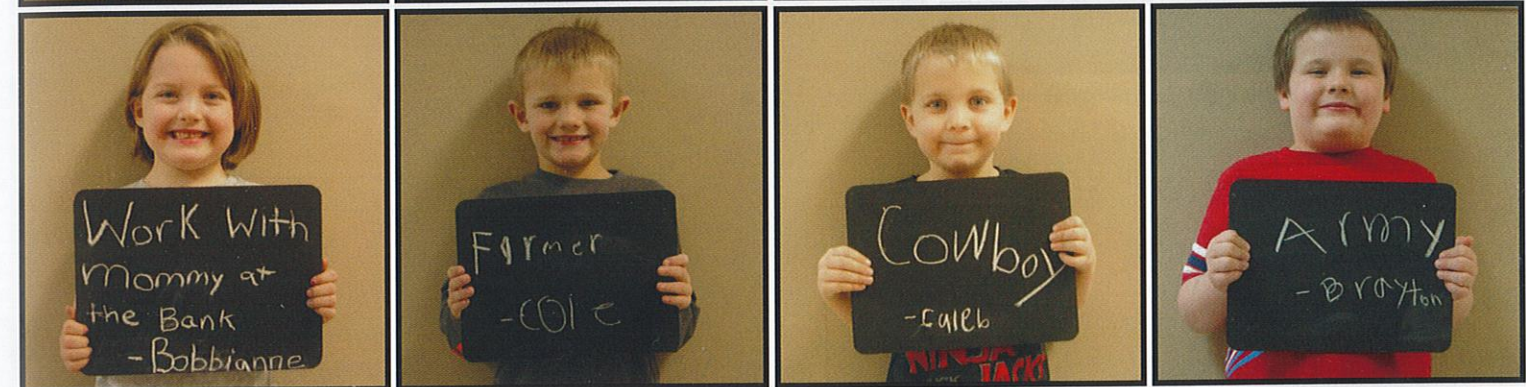
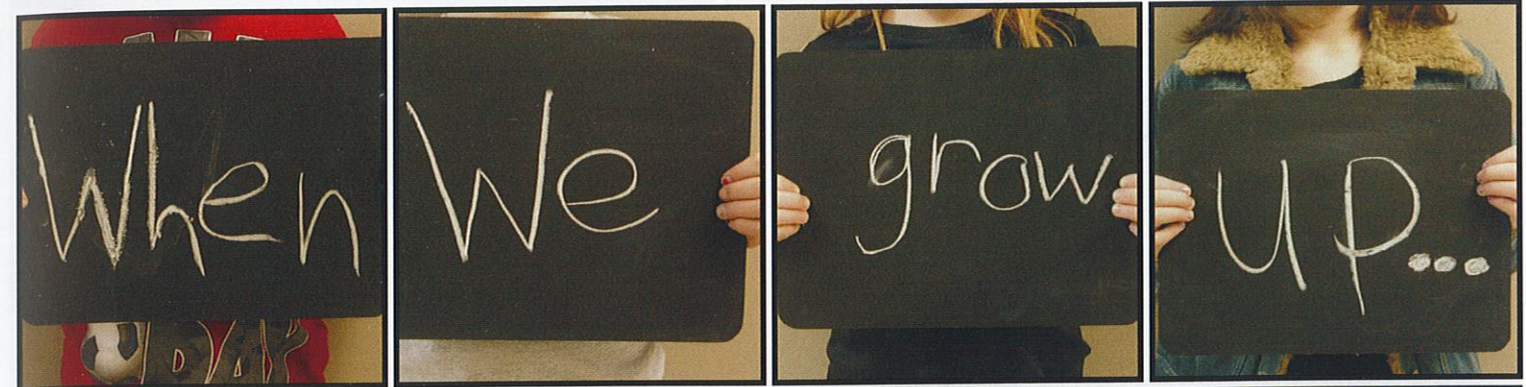


Kaleidoscope Jayden Kugler, Brayton Henrichs, and Noah Shannon create a swirl of color in a plate of milk.



Honor in Song The first grade class sang two songs, "This Land is Your Land" and "You're a Grand Old Flag" for the lunch for veterans served at the Keller Building. Later in the afternoon, they were a favorite part of the Veteran's Day Assembly. As soon as they took their place, the audience began to smile.

Welcome Maddie Moots welcomes guests to Lunch with the Principal. Elementary students invited family members to eat school lunch with them on the stage.



Second Grade



Mrs. Joanne Kincaid Cassidy Althide Jayden Cima Macy Darnel Tayla Garlock Macie Hocker



Cory Holcomb Andrew Magruder Andrea Shaw Alexander Sizemore Jacob Snyder Paige Stutsman



Lana Vansickle Riley Whitlow



Students open gifts at their classroom Christmas party.



Students listen to Mrs. Kincaid read a story to them at the end of the day on St. Patrick's Day.

Paige Stutsman learns tricks from a player from the Harlem Wizards at an all-school assembly.



Harli Mihalevich, Ty Gottman, and Paige Stutsman plan their project.



Jacob Snyder and Leah Grissom work together on a clay model.

Tell Me a Tale

In a unit on fairy tales, the first grade class read Cinderella stories from cultures around the world. Collaborating with ninth grade students, they created an object to represent their story. They presented to their classmates a summary of their story and their project. "I loved this project," said Megan McHenry, "We voted as a class to decide if we wanted to do it, and most everyone was excited about it. Some people thought it was intimidating to work with younger students because we had to be the mentor, but overall, it was tons of fun."



Megan McHenry and Lana Vansickle present their story and shoe to the class.



Devin Morrison guides Cory Holcomb as they work on a woodburning project in the shop classroom.



Riley Whitlow and Harley Hayes work to create a diorama of the setting of their story.

Third Grade



Ms. Rachel Hunt



Reece Allen



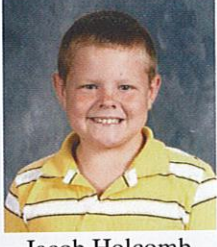
Carson Erwin



Lacey Fisher



Lane Grgrich



Jacob Holcomb



Gunner Lonberger



Max Montgomery



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Ashton Ray



Jack Reeves



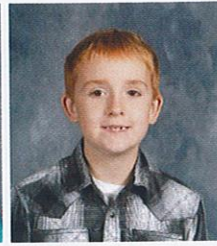
Alexis Sanchez



Tenlee Shaw

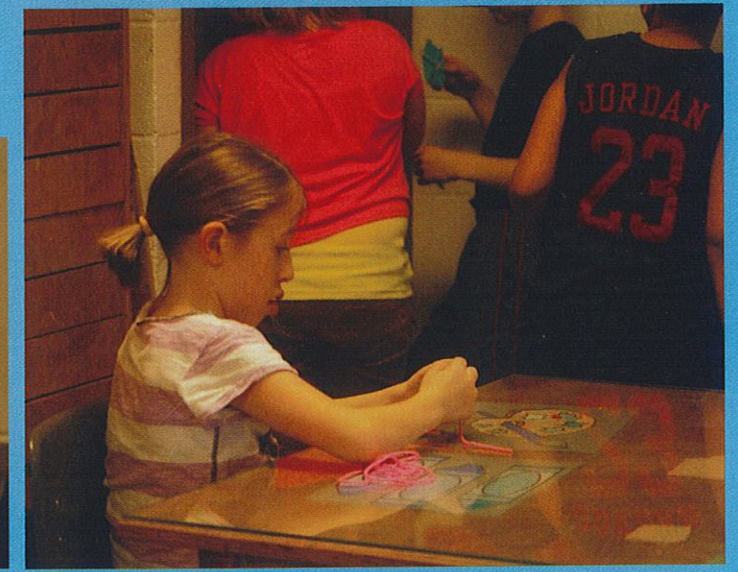
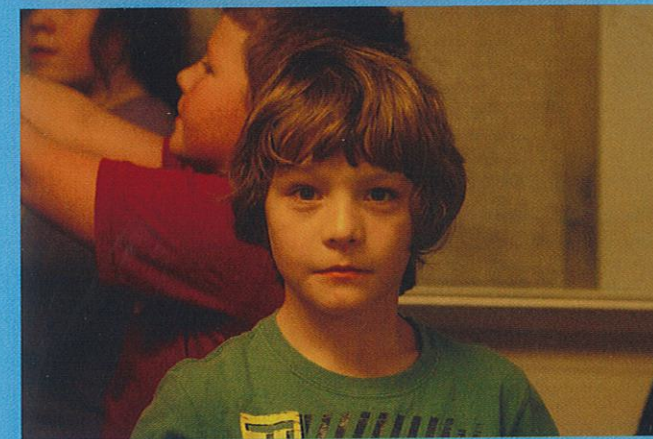
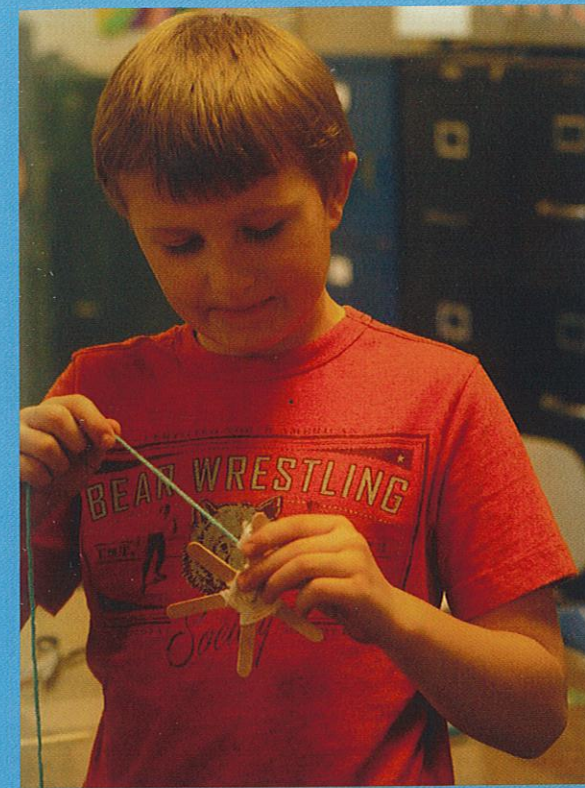
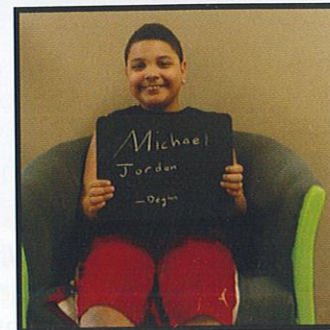
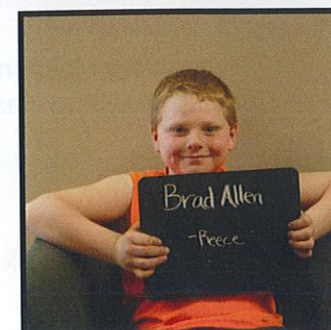
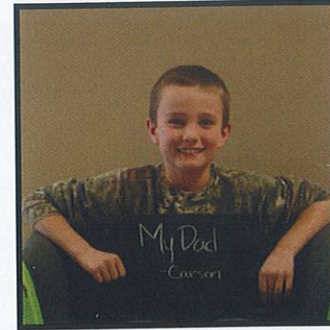
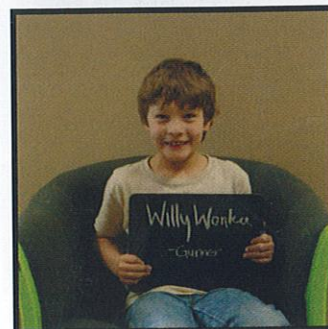
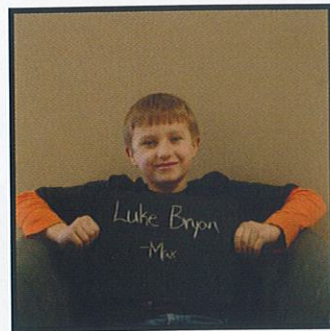


Deyton White

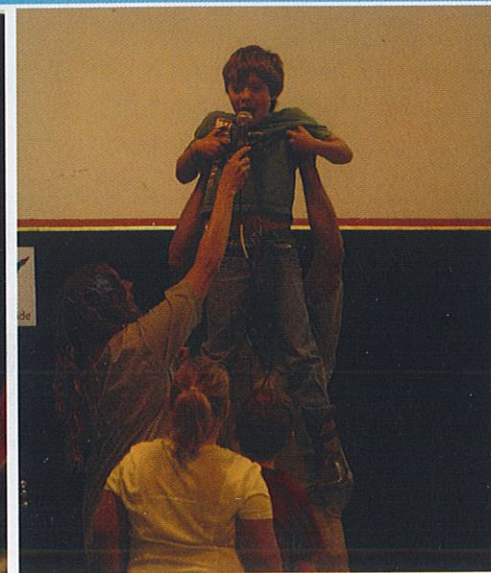
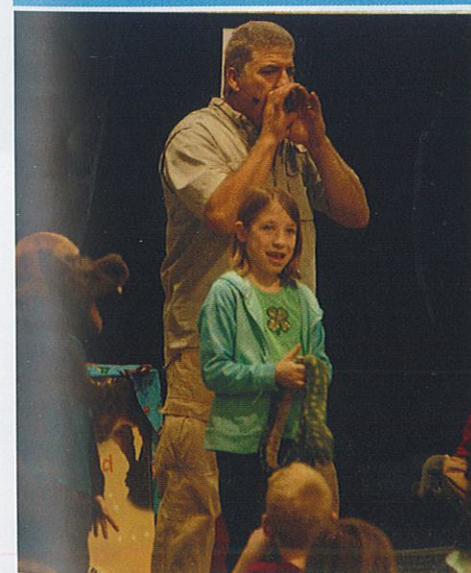


Rhett Whitlow

A theme in elementary this year is Superheroes. We asked some of the third graders to name their real life heroes, and here is what they said:



Students enjoy making various projects in art class. Pictured left to right are Max Montgomery, Jacob Holcomb, Gunner Lonberger, and Tenlee Shaw.



Tenlee Shaw, Gunner Lonberger, and Lacey Fisher help Wildheart lead students in songs and actions to teach about wildlife.

Fourth Grade



Mrs. Tammy Whitlow Andrew Delaney Landon Fisher Logan Grgurich Emma Harsell McKenna Hartwig



Alex Houghton Lucas Keller Ethan Mason Kolbi Mason Haley McNamar Aden Shahan



Anthony Shaw Reagan Shumaker Jaryn Smith Aiden Withrow Avery Zentz

Andrew Delaney Ethan Mason Logan Grgurich Reagan Shumaker



Students display their science project simple machines made with K'Nex. Students had to design a structure that used a pulley, a lever, an inclined, plane, a wedge, or screw.



Emma Harsell



Alex Houghton



Lucas Keller



Kolbi Mason



Aiden Withrow



Haley McNamar



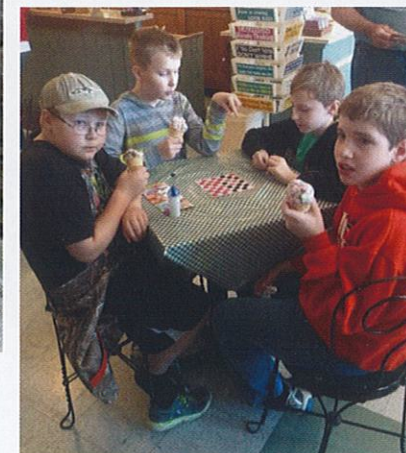
On May 1st, the 4th grade class took a trip to Hannibal, MO, where they toured the Mark Twain Cave and museum, visited the boyhood home of Mark Twain, and took in other attractions.



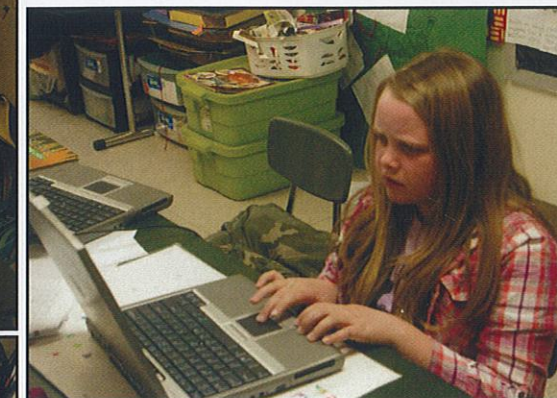
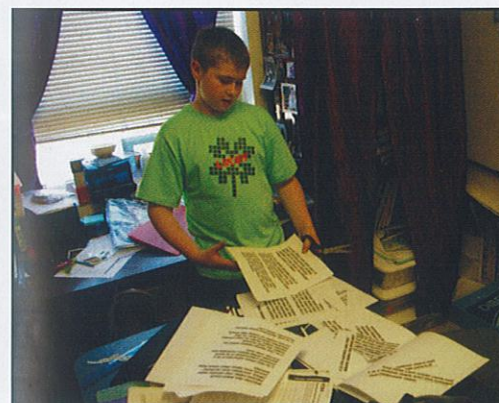
Anthony Shaw and Kolbi Mason stand in as Tom Sawyer and Becky Thatcher.



Mrs. Whitlow and Aiden Withrow enjoy a picnic lunch at a park along the Mississippi River.



Logan Grgurich, Avery Zentz, Aiden Withrow, and Landon Fisher (left) and Andrew Delaney and Jaryn Smith (right) enjoy ice cream at a shop along Hannibal's historic main street.



Aden Shahan (top left), Lucas Keller, McKenna Hartwig (bottom left), and Emma Harsell (above) work on their Bare Book projects. The title of their stories was "The ABC Book of the Oregon Trail" and for each letter of the alphabet, students described aspects of traveling the Oregon Trail. "N" often stood for Nebraska Territory, "O" for oxen which pulled the wagons, and for "Z," many students said that the travelers had little time for "zzzzzs."



Alex Houghton and Anthony Shaw man the wheel in the pilot house, part of the display about Samuel Clemens's experience as a river boat pilot.

Fifth Grade



Mrs. Tammy Wolter Kyleigh Cima Autumn Hart Abilene Hartwig Brandon Jochimsen Adrian Mason



Connor Melendez Blayze Minkler Peyton Osborn Jace Snelling Sierra Snyder Lane Stutsman



Adyson Sullivan Kynleigh White

Not Pictured:
Rudy Borntager



Kynleigh White shoots the basketball during indoor recess in the gym.



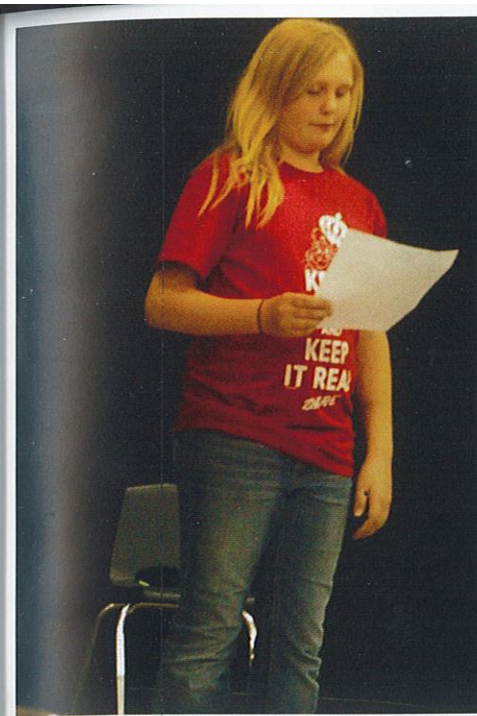
At the end of the school year, the students received awards for their accomplishments.



Students raise their hands in answer to Mrs. Wolter's question.



Adyson Sullivan plays her flute during the Christmas Concert.



Kyleigh Cima reads her winning essay on the importance of making smart decisions.



D.A.R.E.
Graduation
Monday,
April 27th



Sierra Snyder, Abilene Hartwig, Autumn Hart, Kyleigh Cima, Blayze Minkler, Kynleigh White, Adrian Mason, Brandon Jochimsen, Peyton Osborn, Lane Stutsman, and Conner Melendez

Sixth Grade

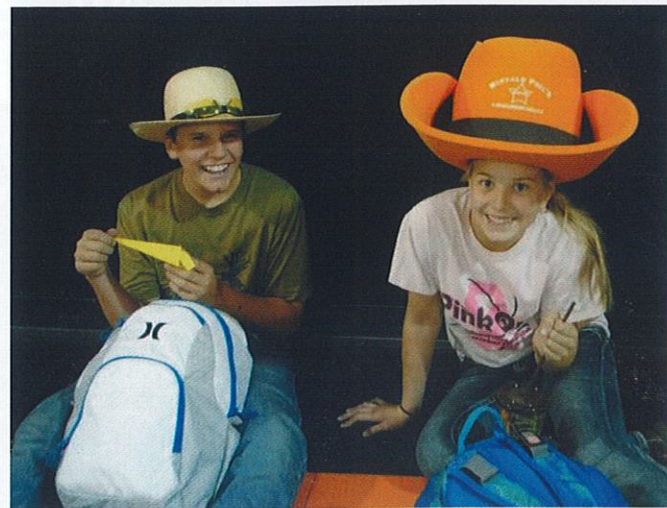


Mrs. Anna Nelson Callie Althide Trace Gottman Lathan Grgurich Hannah Grissom Garrett Housman



Austin Peterson Nikiah Smith Shauni Sykes Madison Taylor

Not Pictured:
Norman Smith
Makenna Vorkink



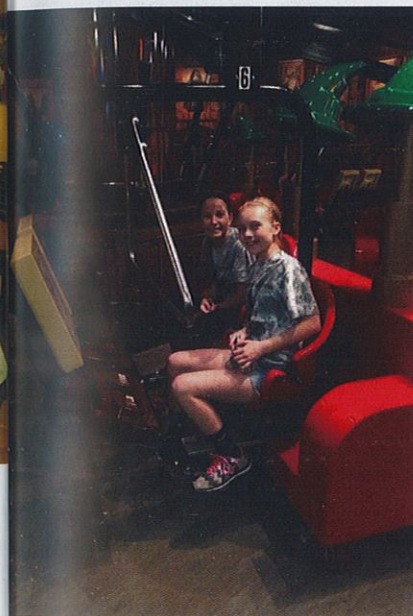
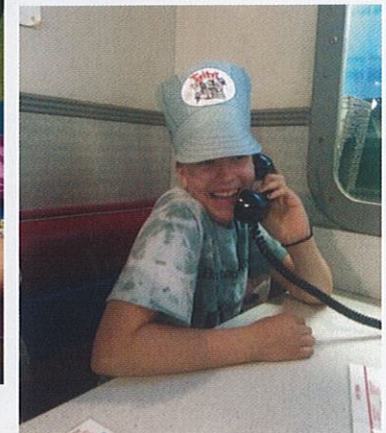
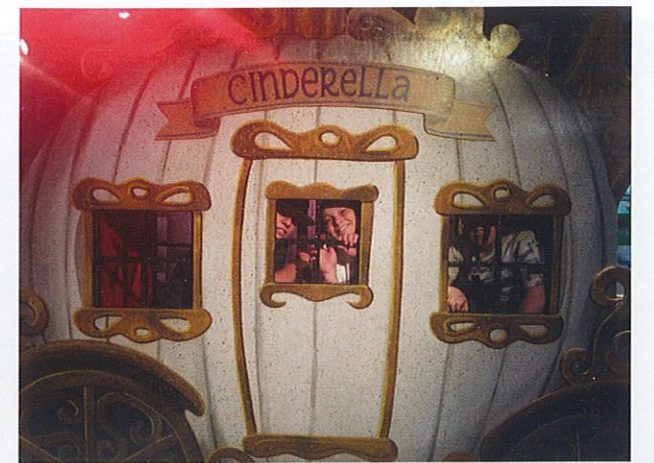
Garrett Housman and Hannah Grissom participate in hat day for Red Ribbon Week.



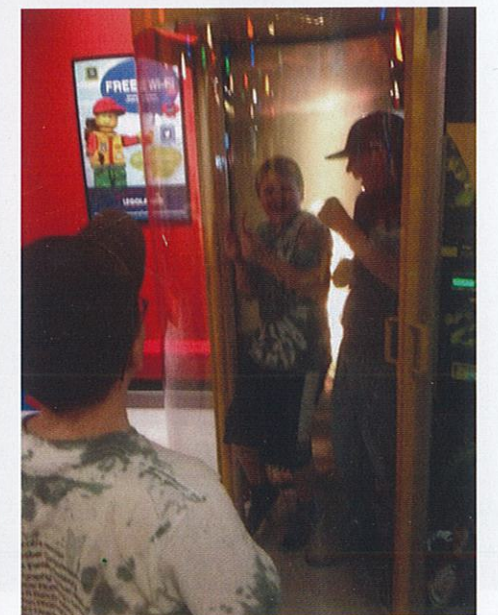
The sixth grade class plays a game for their Christmas party.



At the end of the school year, Mrs. Nelson awarded certificates of achievement to her students.

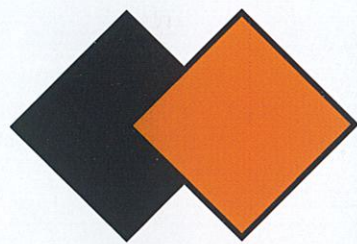


The sixth grade class raised money to take a field trip to Kansas City, where they visited Lego Land.





Directed by Ms. O'Dell, the class sang "Send Me My Way," and a medley of songs from Disney movies.



Bright Futures

Sixth grade students are promoted to junior high

May 14, 2015



Mr. Doolin presents certificates of promotion to Shauni Sykes, Norman Smith, and Nikiah Smith.

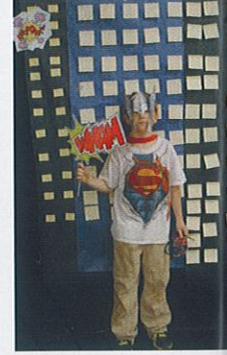


Hannah Grissom and Callie Althide present their speech to the class and audience. Nikiah Smith and Madison Taylor were also speakers.

Accompanied by Ms. O'Dell, Madison Taylor plays "Hard Rock Blues" on the clarinet.



Back Row: Madison Taylor, Nikiah Smith, Garrett Housman, Lathan Grgurich, Austin Peterson, Mrs. Anna Nelson
 Front Row: Shauni Sykes, Trace Gottman, Hannah Grissom, Callie Althide, Makenna Vorkink, Norman Smith



Super Hero Photo Booth Fun

Red Ribbon Week Kickoff, held on October 27th, followed the year's Superhero theme by providing fun super hero activities for elementary students.



First grade students celebrate the 100th day of school with a party.



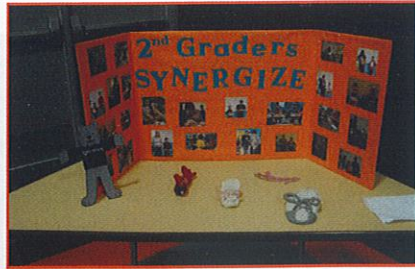
Elementary Activities



Hannah Grissom displays her Bare Book project for Author Night.



Students who earned a Book It coupon each month of the school year received a certificate, along with a soda and candy bar.



Leadership Night



Grandparents Day



Leadership Shirts

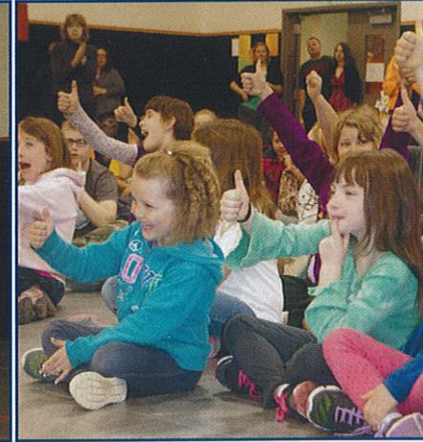
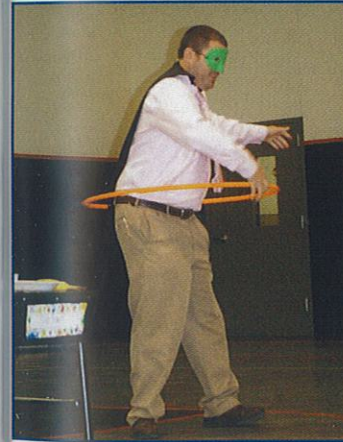
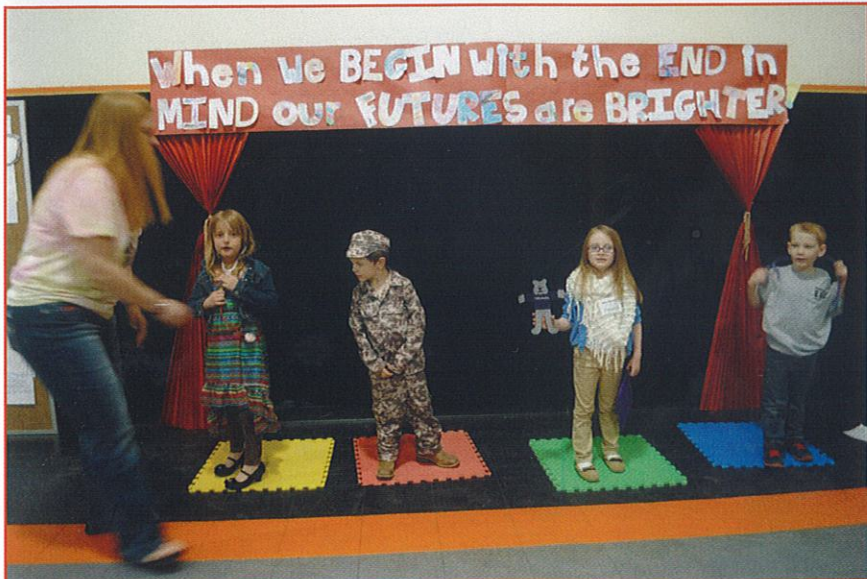


Spring Concert



MADP Reward Trip

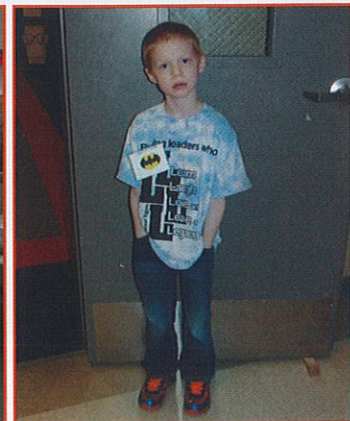
Elementary Events



MADP Testing Pep Rally



Christmas Concert



5th and 6th Grade Boys Basketball



Garrett Housman



The team celebrates after a game at the Bevier Tournament on March 28.



The Brashear boys placed second in the Leonard Tournament.



Back Row: Coach Duayne Housman, Austin Peterson, Adrian Mason, Garrett Housman, Lane Stutsman, Brandon Jochimsen
Front Row: Trace Gottman, Jace Snelling



Back Row: Coach Melissa Hocker, Haley McNamar, Callie Althide, Nikiah Smith, Madison Taylor, Abi Hartwig, Hannah Grissom, Coach Brad Althide
 Middle Row: Kyleigh Cima, Brooklyn DeFries, Kynleigh White
 Front Row: Mckenna Hartwig, Emma Harsell



4th, 5th, and 6th Grade Girls Basketball

7th Grade



Averi Acton Quin Allen Zoe Blankenship Aubrey Bleything Tanna Garlock John Gerhold



Noah Hall Alexa Higgins Justin Leedom Emily Mason Justin Mchenry Sebastian Melendez



Kelsey Platz Austin Ray Fisher Reese Noah Reeves Wyatt Reeves Emily Shaver



Kaelyn Sullivan



Wyatt Reeves and Justin Leedom send Fisher Reese through the tire.



7th graders maneuver the "Ants on a Log" challenge during the 7th grade retreat. Without stepping off or falling off the log, the participants have to rotate the line from one end of the log to the other. Before school began in the fall, the 7th graders took an overnight trip to Camp Jo-Ota.



The class successfully untangles their human knot.



Justin McHenry dresses as a minion for Halloween.



Courtland Blakely Levi Blankenship Kiersten Hart Drew Kirkham Eliza Magruder Triston Morrison



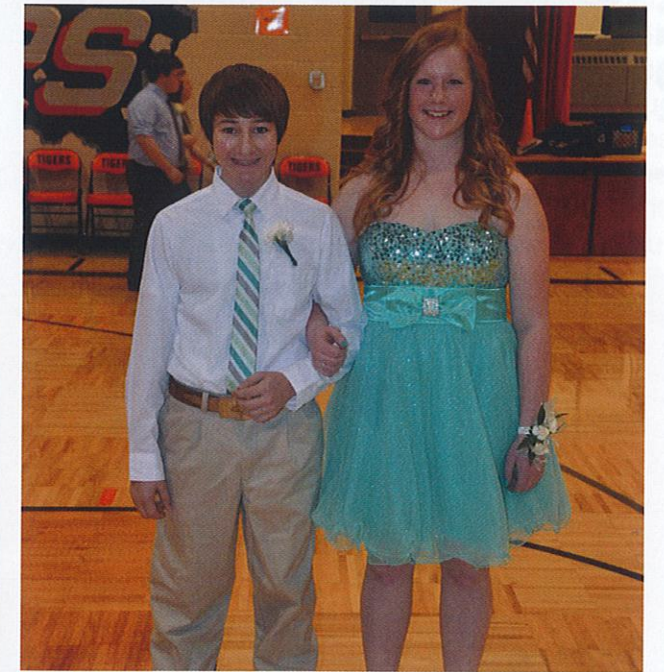
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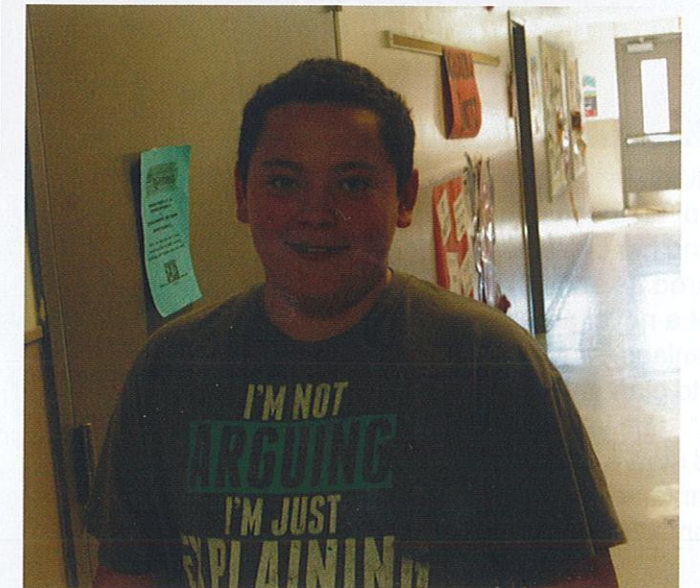
Melissa Wagster Aden Zentz



Eliza Magruder sings with the Tri-County Conference Choir.



Elected by their classmates, Wyatt Potter and Kiersten Hart represent 8th grade for the Homecoming Prince and Princess contest.



Triston Morrison heads to his next class.

8th Grade

Freshmen



Ty Gottman Leah Grissom Skylar Haskell Harley Hayes William Jordan Shalia Kennison

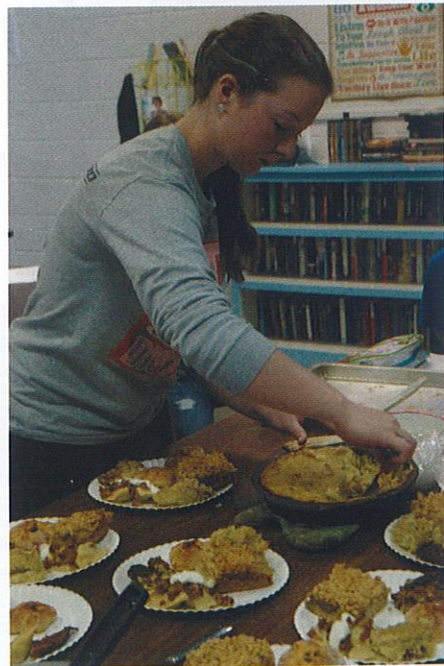


Celia Kincaid Morgan Magruder Megan McHenry Harli Mihalevich Devin Morrison Travis Nilson



Lauren Platz Hannah Reeves Nathaniel Stewart Zane Sykes

Not Pictured:
Mary Borntrager



Harli Mihalevich serves a meal of Lithuanian foods that she and her classmates prepared as an activity at the end of a novel about Lithuanians. "It took us two days to plan and make this meal," Harli joked, "We would starve if we lived in Lithuania. I hope they have McDonald's."



Leah Grissom and Lauren Platz show their style in the ugly Christmas sweater contest.



Zane Sykes uses the scroll saw to cut out the stable for a nativity scene he made in shop class.



Colt Acton Jacob Bleything Caitlee Hall Brianne Hart Hailey Lawrence Trevor Love



Kacie Mihalovich Mechelia Potter Saydie Potter Jacklyn Sidenstricker Breann Turner Robbyn Wagster



Tyler Watson

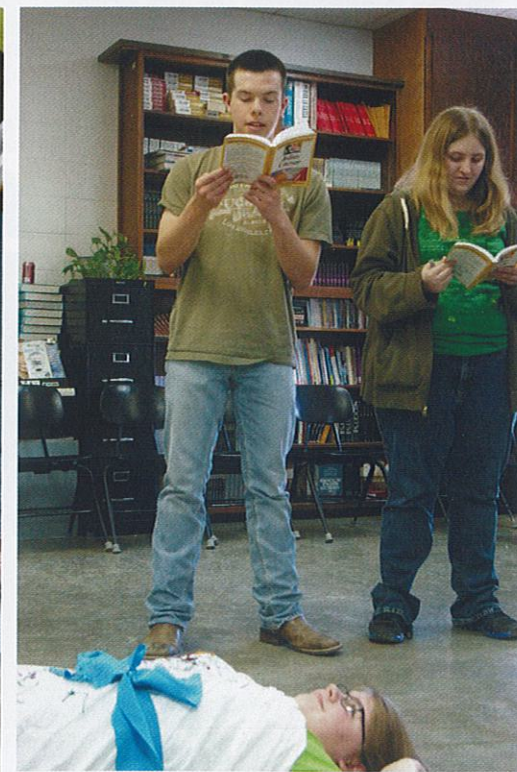


Brashear alumnus Monty Platz, now an attorney for the Missouri State Attorney General's office, speaks to the class. He encouraged students, "Find something that motivates you, something that you are excited to do every day. You may not find it in your first job or your second job, but keep looking until you find it." Mr. Platz intrigued the class with a solve-the-murder-mystery activity based on actual cases that he has dealt with.

Sophomores



Acting out Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar*, Breann Turner plays the part of Caesar and is stabbed to death with glitter glue. With Caesar's body lying on the floor, Jacob Bleything delivers Marc Antony's famous speech, "Friends, Romans, countrymen, lend me your ears."



Hailey Lawrence, Saydie Potter, Breann Turner, Brianne Hart, and Mechelia Potter stand overlooking the field at Busch Stadium on the EOC reward trip.

Juniors



Kourtney Arnold Erin Bradshaw Jacob Gardner Lucas Grgurich Timothy Haskell Brody Henrichs

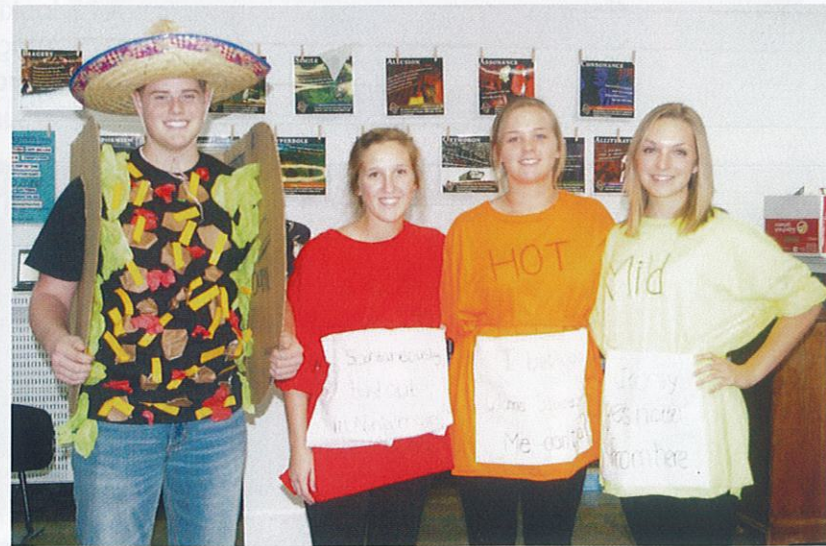


Byron Hines Dalton Hocker Skylar Housman Patrick Jochimsen Abigail Kerby Dillon Klingsmith



Nicholas Leedom Bailey Mihalovich Sidney Sykes Mandy Taylor Kellie Wagster Kristen Walitshek

Not Pictured:
Nicholie Haskell



For the Halloween costume contest, Bailey Mihalovich and Sidney Sykes dressed as characters from Dog the Bounty Hunter, and Gabe Thomas, Skylar Housman, Mandy Taylor, and Abi Kerby pose as a walking taco with fire, hot, and mild sauce.

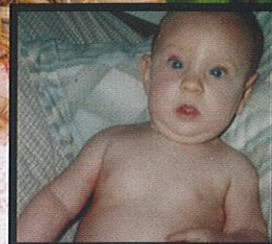


Left, Patrick Jochimsen;
Above, Dillon Klingsmith;
Right, Lucas Grgurich and Dalton Hocker

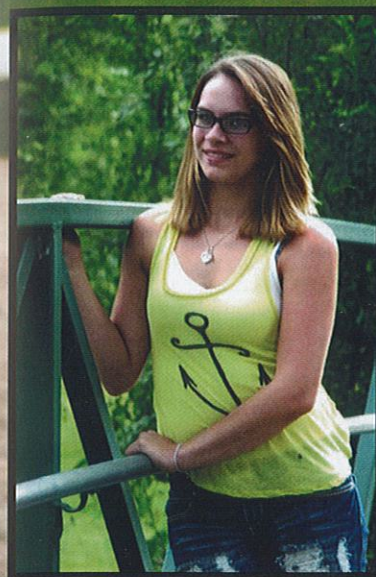




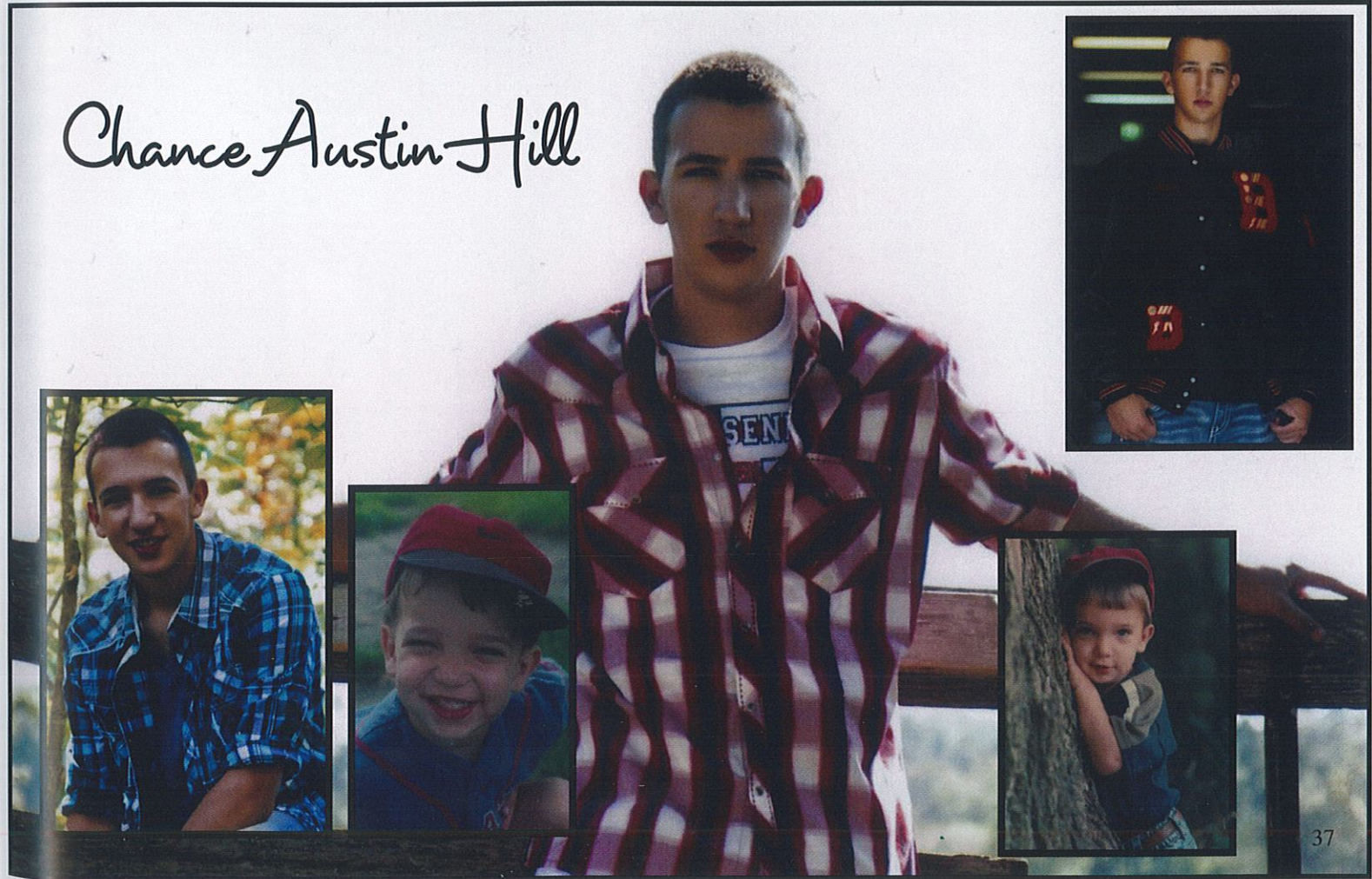
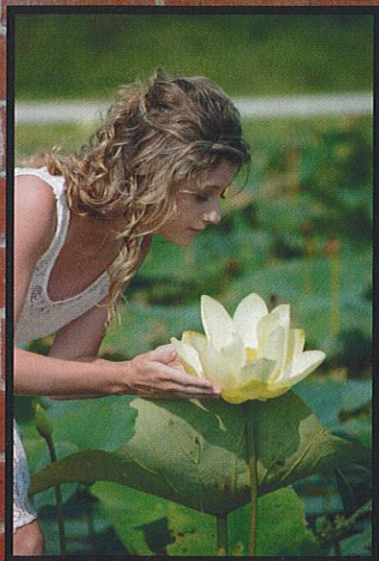
Allison Brienne Garrett



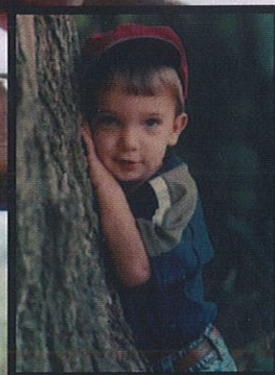
Rachel Elaine Heimer



Abigail Christina Hall



Chance Austin Hill

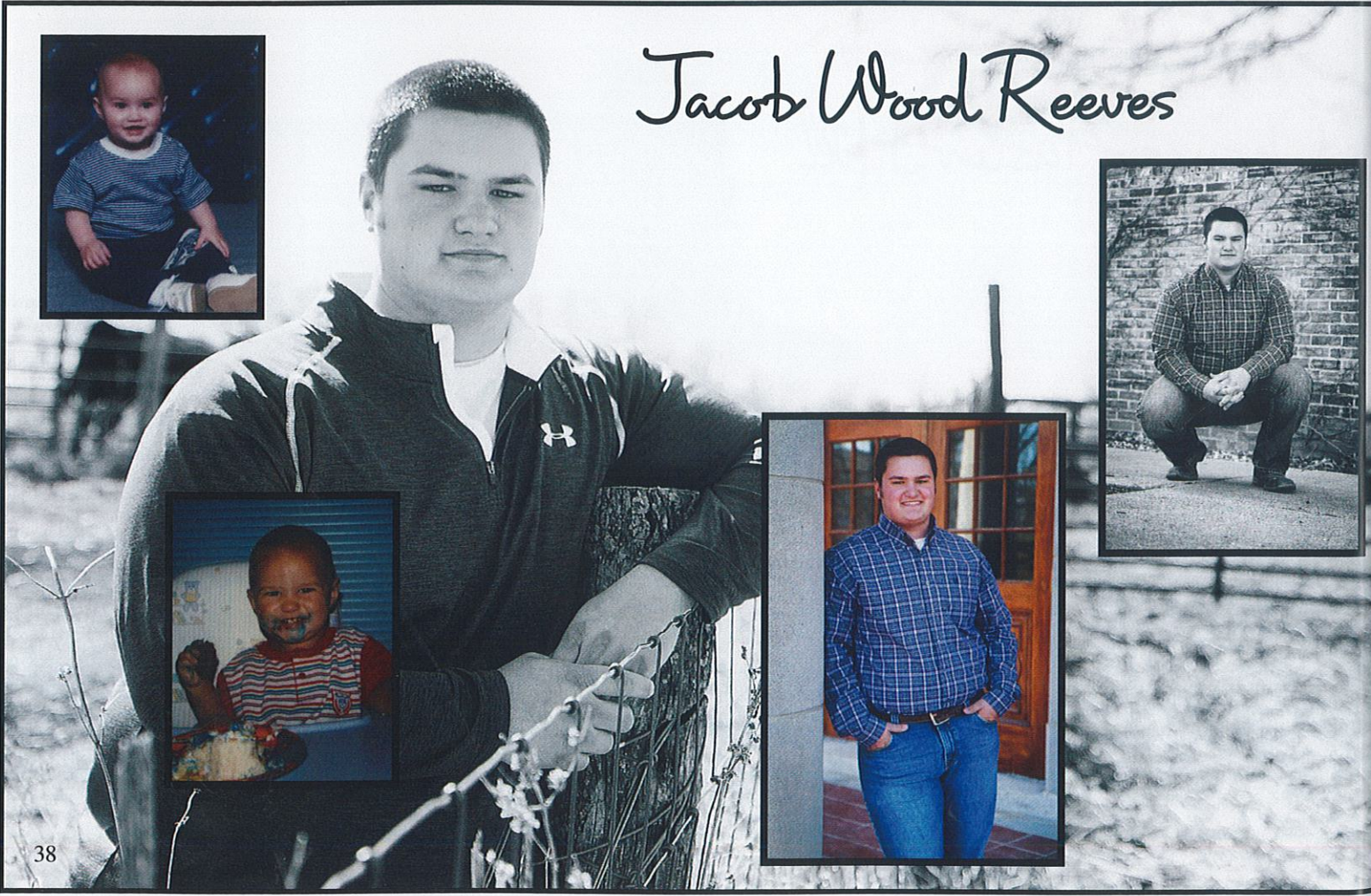


Hannah Renee Mason



Rebecca Lynne Story

Jacob Wood Reeves



Gabriel Lee Thomas



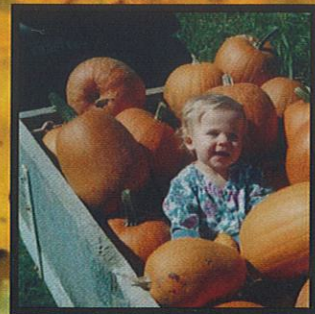
Allison Anne Thompson



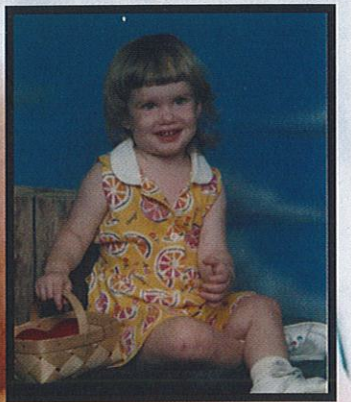
Kimberlina Ann Waltshek



Rhiannon Ashley Lee Turner



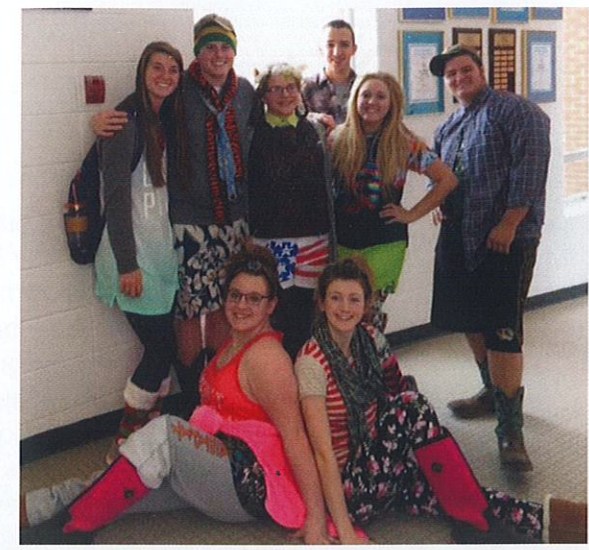
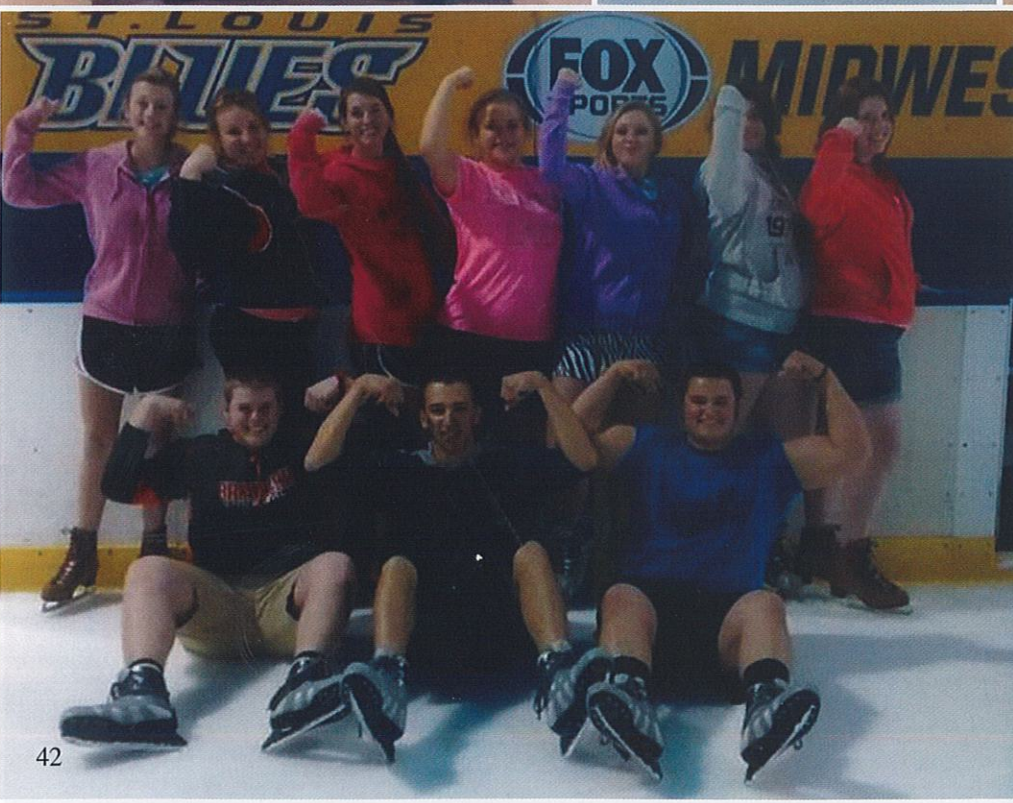
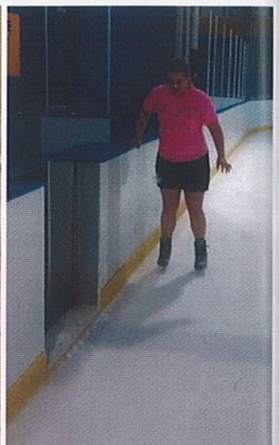
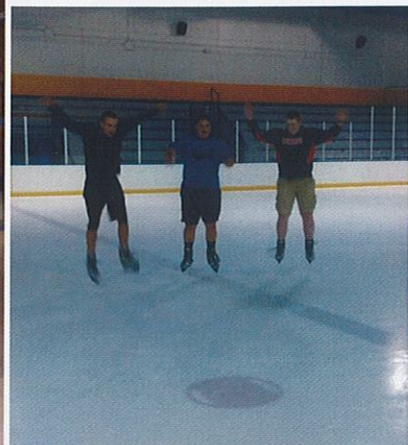
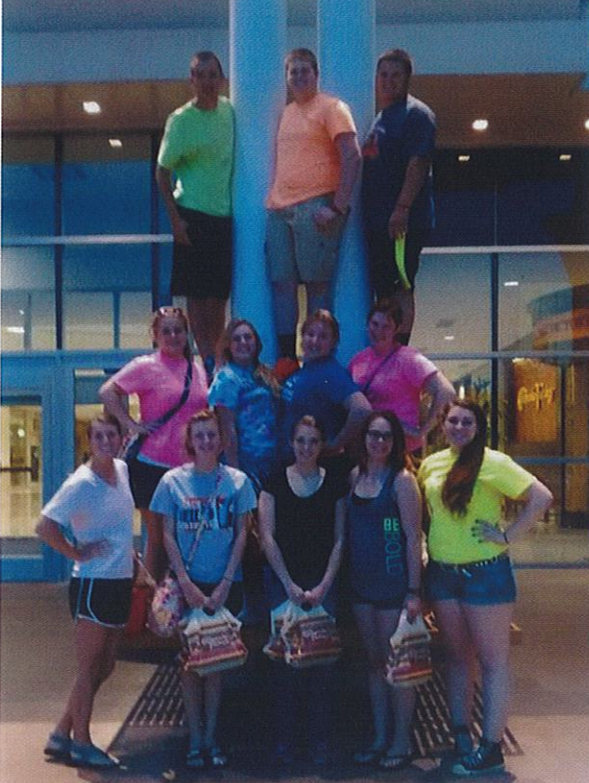
Shelby Lea Watson



In the Zone

Senior Trip

On May 14, the senior class took one last trip together on a school bus. The group left school at 6:30 a.m. and spent the day in St. Louis. It was raining when they arrived in St. Louis, so they changed their plans from going to the zoo to spending more time at the St. Louis Outlet Mall in Hazelwood, where they had intended to make only a brief stop. An attraction of the mall is Ice Zone, which is the arena where the St. Louis Blues practice. Ice skating was a new experience for most of the group, but they agreed it was their favorite part of the day. Chance Hill fell the most, though his classmates said he fell gracefully every time. After having lunch at the mall, the seniors went to Adrenaline Zone to play demolition ball, which they described as a cross between bumper cars, go karts, and lacrosse. They also played laser tag. Next, they went to the Sky Zone trampoline house, where the class played dodge ball and worked on their basketball dunking skills in dunking court. The day came to a close with a meal at Cheesecake Factory, and then they headed back home, returning around midnight. "It was an awesome day," said Hannah Mason, "We had a lot of fun together, and it was a great way to end our senior year."



Fashion Disaster



Homecoming



FBLA Murder Mystery



Halloween



Pre-Calculus class



Back Row: Allison Thompson, Alli Garrett, Shelby Watson, Abby Hall, Rhiannon Turner, Kimmie Walitshek, Rachel Heimer, Hannah Mason, Becca Story
Front Row: Gabe Thomas, Chance Hill, Jacob Reeves



Lead Out

Graduation 2015

The commencement ceremony for the class of 2015 was held on Sunday afternoon, May 17. Mrs. Shipman welcomed students and guests saying that the school has looked to this senior class as leaders throughout their school years. She spoke of her certainty that they would go on to do great things. The class chose Mrs. Erin Moots, our junior high and high school math teacher and the senior class sponsor, and Mrs. Cathy March, our school cook, to be the speakers for the ceremony. Mrs. Moots' address encouraged the class to not make plans, but

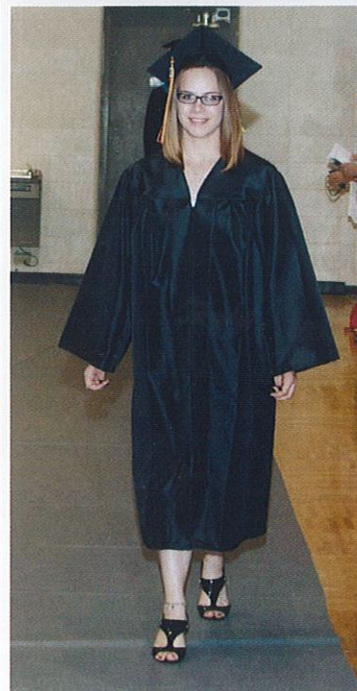
to make options, so that when opportunities arise, they will be prepared to be successful. She advised the graduates to be open and flexible, to become educated and develop interpersonal skills, and to follow their hearts. Cathy spoke to the class about memories, mentioning her favorite memories of them, as well as their memories of their school years. She concluded her speech with a video slide show of pictures. "It meant so much to us to have Mrs. Moots and Cathy speak. They are two people that we've looked up to for a long time, and they know us well," said Alli Garrett.



Gabe Thomas, Jacob Reeves, Allison Garrett, Chance Hill, and Allison Thompson received honor cords to reflect their outstanding academic achievements.

Chance Hill earned the honor of valedictorian, and Allison Thompson achieved salutatorian. Additionally, Gabe Thomas, Jacob Reeves, and Allison Garrett were recognized as honor students, with grade point averages over 11.0. Mrs. Reeves presented A+ Program certificates of graduation to every member of the senior class, and Mrs. Grissom presented scholarships and awards that totaled over \$90,000.

Congratulations to Brashear High School Class of 2015



Rachel Heimer enters the gymnasium during the processional.



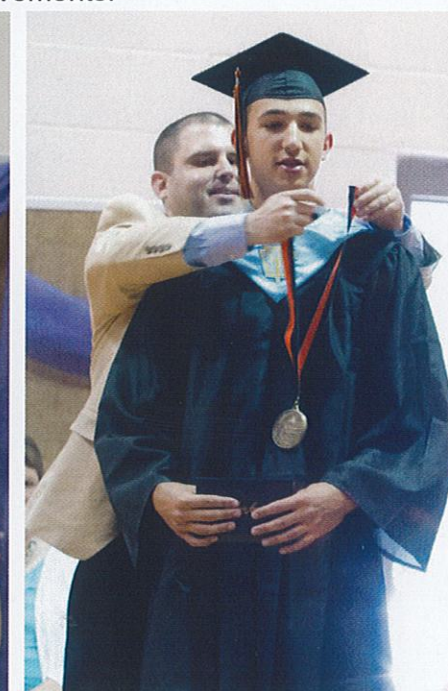
School Board president Traci Hill shakes the hand of Kimmie Walitshek as she presents her diploma. Kimmie plans to attend Moberly Area Community College and major in nursing.



Presenting A+ Program awards, Mrs. Reeves hands Shelby Watson her certificate. Shelby plans to attend Moberly Area Community College and major in early childhood education.



Class of 1965 graduate David Erwin presents Allison Thompson with a scholarship of \$1,000. Allison plans to attend University of Missouri Columbia and major in journalism.



Mr. Doolin places a medal around Chance Hill's neck to recognize him as class valedictorian. Chance plans to attend Truman State University and major in accounting and finance.

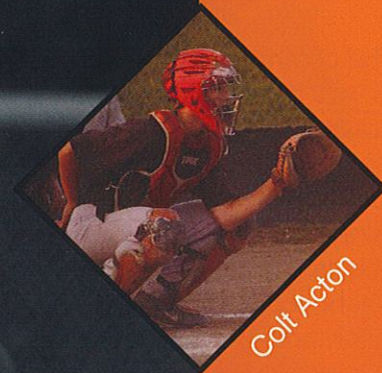


The graduates read the letters that they wrote to themselves as junior high students. "We've looked forward to getting these letters back for years," said Gabe Thomas.

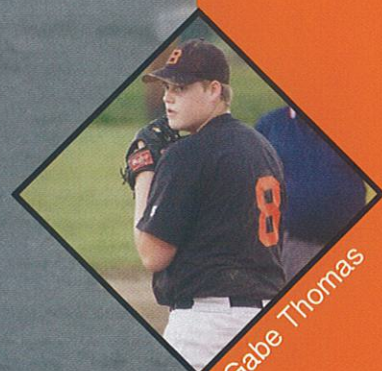
Playing the Game



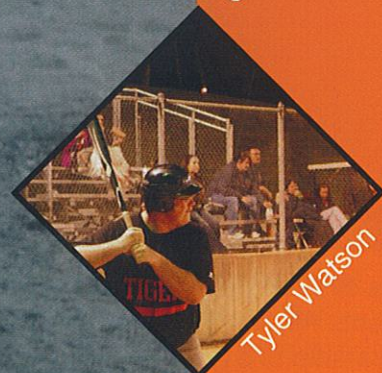
Jacob Bleything



Colt Acton



Gabe Thomas



Tyler Watson

Tiger Baseball

The Brashear Tigers played hard, yet ended the fall baseball season with few wins. In spite of the record, the team had many good plays and strong hits. "We improved as a team," said Coach Corbin Coe. He continued, "I've watched the young players learn skills and develop their game. We didn't have the wins that we hoped for, but everyone tried hard."



Out Chance Hill neatly catches a hit to short stop in the away game against Bucklin/Macon County. Chance had a hit in the game, and though the final score was a loss at 12-10, Brashear was able to bring the tying run to the plate in the last inning.



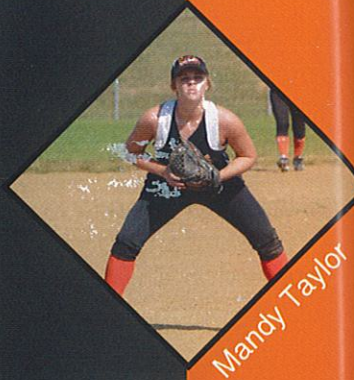
Lefty Dalton Hocker, one of three left-handed players on the team, prepares to hit. Dalton hit a home run over the left outfield in a home game against Bevier on September 26th.



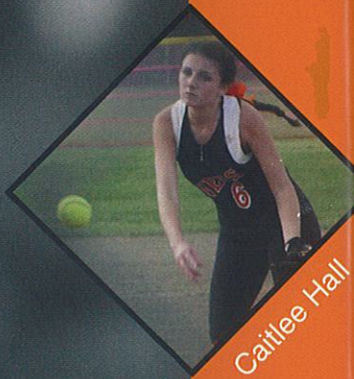
Teamwork Three players, Gabe Thomas, Jacob Bleything, and Zane Sykes converge on a Green City batter to get the out at first.

Comeback

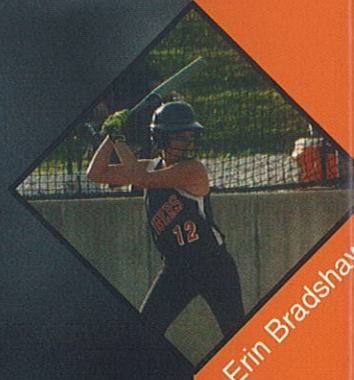
Softball girls come back to win games in the second half of the season.



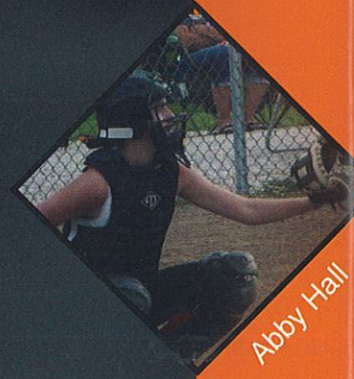
Mandy Taylor



Caitlee Hall



Erin Bradshaw



Abby Hall

Sometimes you have to start slow to improve. Although the start to the Lady Tigers' softball season was slow, there came a time when the girls just refused to play a losing season, and then the scoreboards began to change. The first win was the September 9th game against Novinger. After losing seven games in a row, the team reorganized positions for the Novinger game, and it worked like magic. Abi Kerby moved to 3rd base and Skylar Housman moved to short stop. Mandy Taylor played center, where, with her strong arm, she was able to throw the ball where it needed to be. Harli Mihalevich moved to the outfield and played with great effort, hustle, and energy. The team won the game 18 to 3.

That game marked the beginning of a 5-game winning streak that made the season one to remember.

The girls recalled some good times from the season, and individual as well as team improvements. Alli Garrett recalled, "I only struck out once this season, and I was *this close* to hitting a home run." The team gave Mandy Taylor credit for hitting the first home run over the home field's new softball fence. As a team, the girls felt that their self confidence improved over the season, along with their skill. They were proud of a game with zero errors. Their hard work and dedication paid off in the end.



You Just Gotta Swing Alli Garrett steps to the plate during a game against Bevier. The September 26th game was a 15-5 win in 5 innings. Alli was selected for the Tri County All Conference Softball Team, first team. "I'll miss playing softball," Alli said, "It's been a great part of high school."



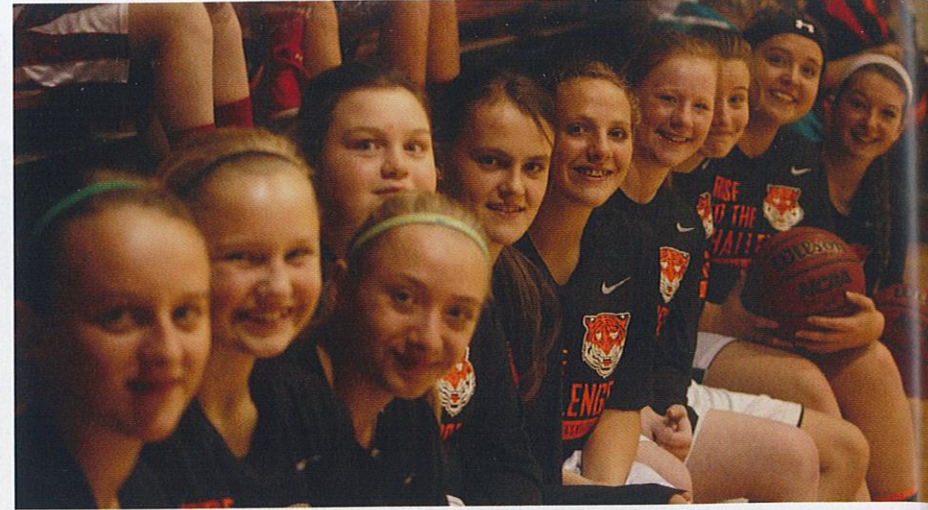
Outplay Skylar Housman prepares to bunt in a home game against Atlanta. Skylar, along with Mandy Taylor, was selected for the Tri County All Conference 2014-15 Softball Team, second team.



Let It Go Sidney Sykes winds up at the September 19th home game against Green City. It was a 12-1 win for the Brashear Lady Tigers.



Take It Away Harli Mihalevich takes the ball down the court in an away game at Linn County. Harli scored 4 points in the game.



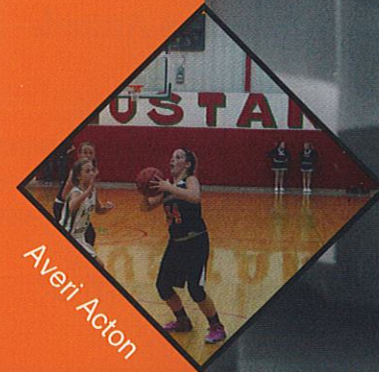
Drive Hannah Reeves makes for the basket. Hannah was the high scorer for the season, contributing 100 points.



Through the course of the junior high girls basketball season, the team learned some valuable lessons, such as the importance of working together, practicing to improve performance, and recognizing the areas where they needed more work. Hannah Reeves explained, "If we were on as a team, we pulled out a win. If we weren't working together, or if our attitudes were bad, we didn't play our best. We tried to build each other up and improve on our mistakes." In practice the girls worked on fundamentals and felt like they improved, especially at shots underneath the basket. In the locker room after the games, the team took time to discuss what went right and what went wrong. If they had lost the game, they talked more about what they needed to do differently in the next game. The freshman team members agreed that the younger members improved skills and demonstrated

leadership that they will need in the following season.

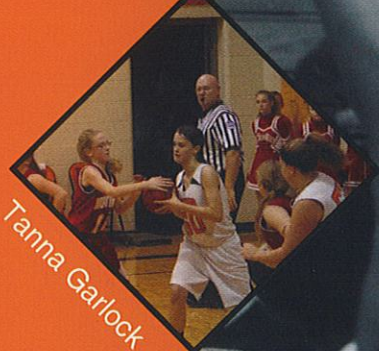
An outstanding game of the season was the November 4th home game against Novinger. The Brashear girls made the first points in the game, but Novinger got ahead in the first quarter. By half time, and through most of the third and 4th quarters, Brashear fought to hold a two or three point lead. Then at the last second, a 3-point buzzer shot by Novinger tied the game. Brashear went on to outscore Novinger eight to four in the overtime, to win by a score of 40 to 36. The girls recalled the excitement of that game. Harli Mihalevich stated, "The crowd was supportive, and the gym was packed. There was standing room only, I think. It was loud, but that just made us more pumped. It was a great feeling to win that game."



Averi Acton



Melissa Wagster



Tanna Garlock



Pull Together

Alexa Higgins

The junior high boys basketball team may have had a rough season, winning only two games, but through it all, they kept their spirits high and tried to give each game their best effort. Losing with dignity is hard to do, but the team succeeded. "It's easy to get mad when we lose and feel angry because we made mistakes and didn't win, but we tried to take it in stride and keep positive. We tried to take our losses and learn from them, and play better at the next game," said Ty Gottman.



Jump Ty Gottman puts the ball up in a game against Linn County. "We made lots of shots, had lots of opportunities, but we weren't making them in." Ty scored 2 points in the game.



Break Away Wyatt Potter heads for the basket in the second half of the November 4th game. Wyatt scored 25 points in the game, but Brashear lost to Novinger 13-33.

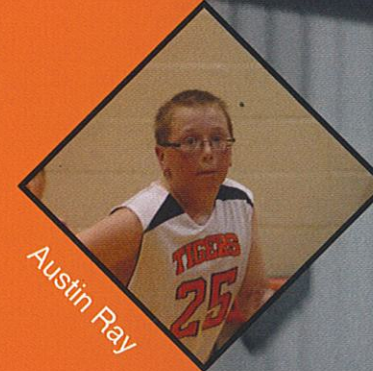
Junior High Boys Keep Positive Attitude



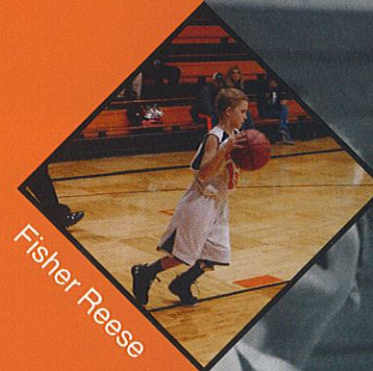
The season ended on a high note, though, winning the last game against Mary Immaculate. "I feel like we improved over the season," concluded Ty Gottman, "we learned new plays and worked a lot on fundamental skills. We just have to keep trying."



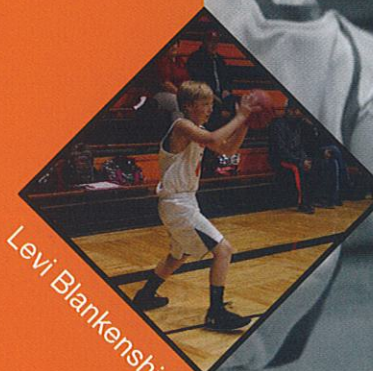
Determination Wyatt Reeves breaks through the Linn County defense at the November 6th away game. Wyatt made 2 points of the 7 point game total.



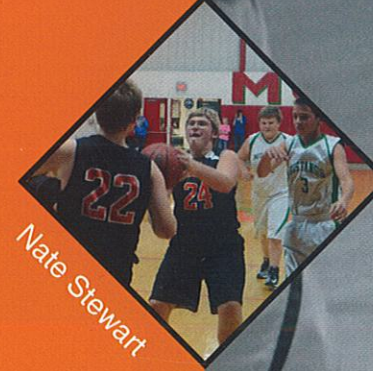
Austin Ray



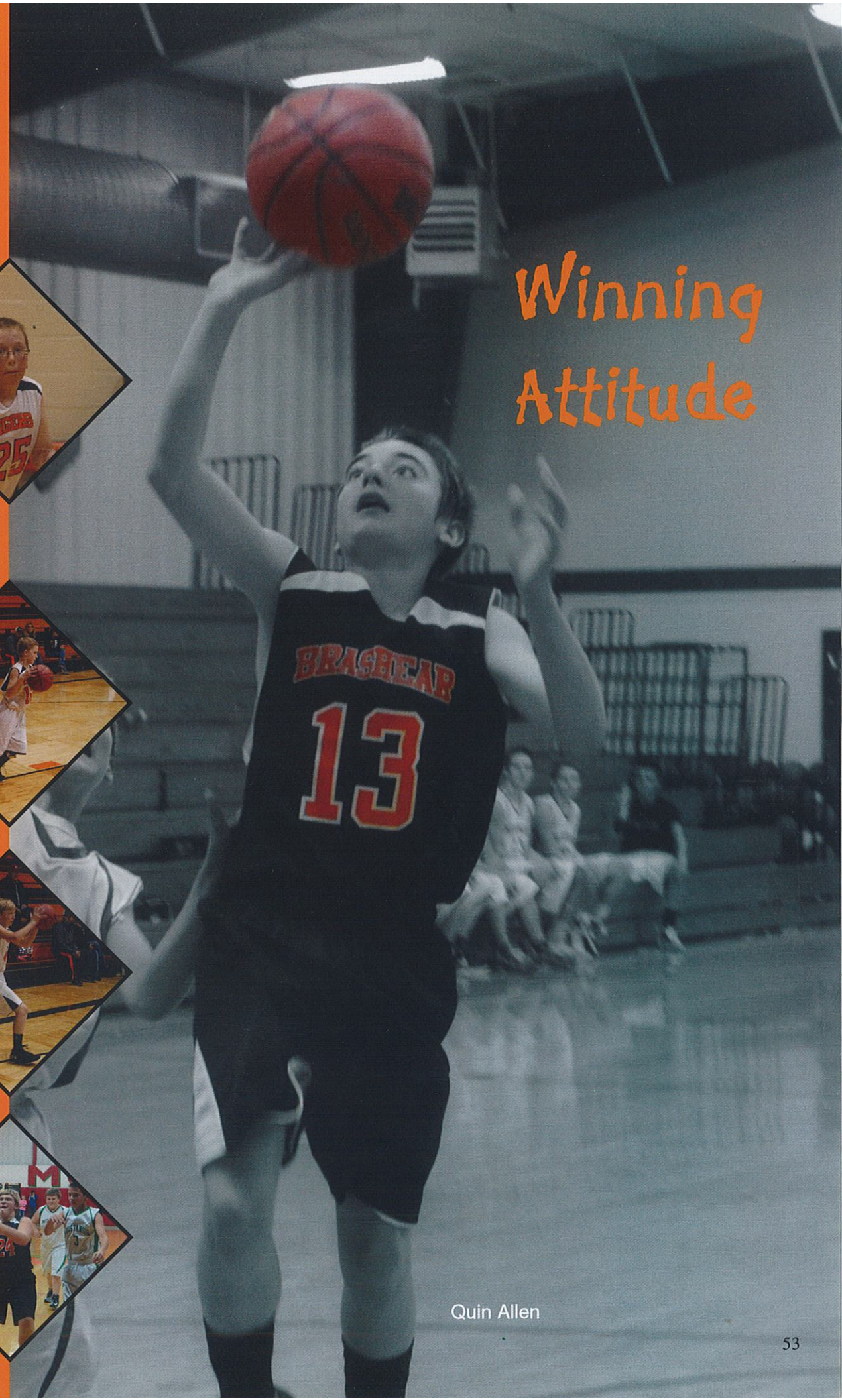
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Winning Attitude

Quin Allen



Dance Leah Grissom and Megan McHenry perform a dance routine during halftime of a home game.



Junior High Cheerleaders

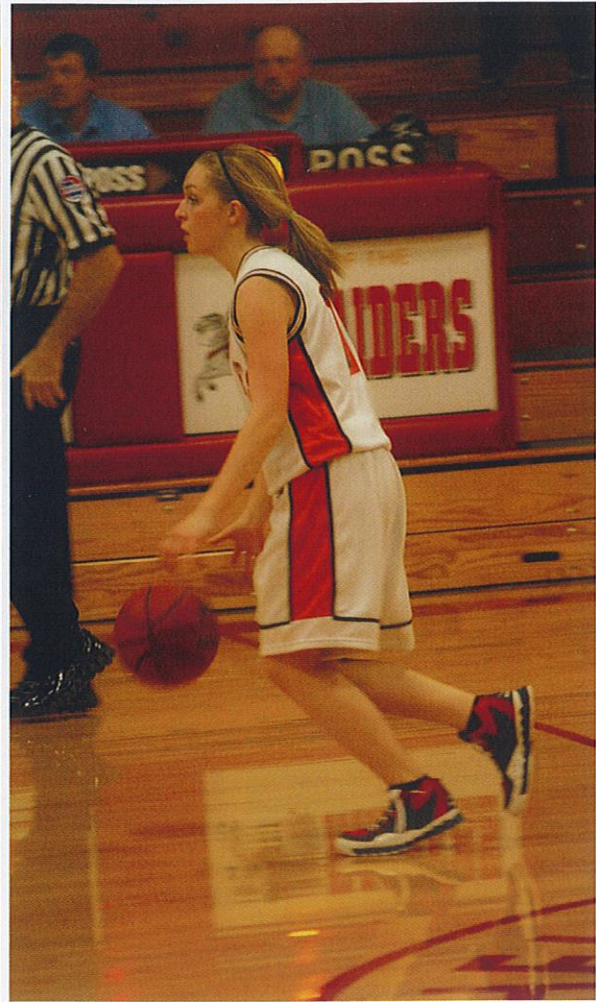


Cheers Full of Spirit

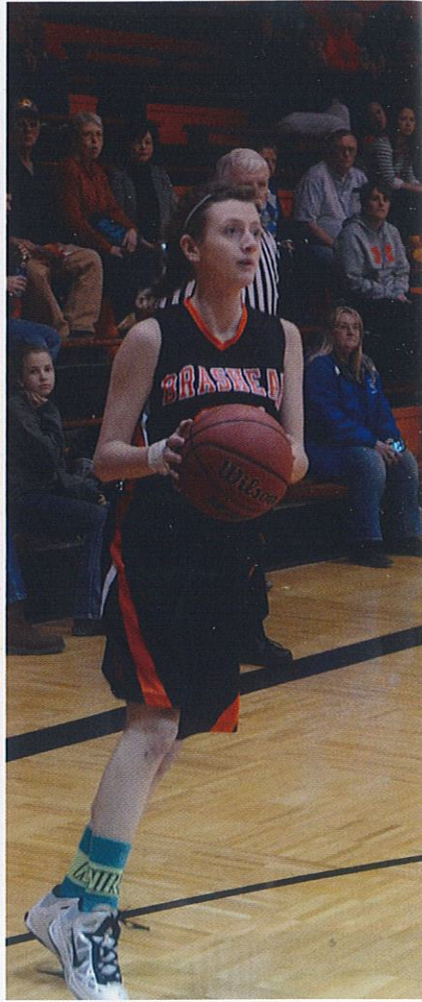
Leah Grissom and Megan McHenry



Going Around Allison Thompson drives toward the basket at the December 19th home game against Marion County. Allison contributed 8 points to the 49-20 Lady Tigers win.



Down the Court Abi Kerby puts the ball in play during the Consolation game of the North Shelby Tournament. Scoring 11 points, Abi was the high scorer of the game against La Plata.



Shoot Abby Hall prepares to put the ball up in a Brashear Tournament game against Scotland County. The Lady Tigers lost to the state-ranked team 61-14.

Playing a sport requires a lot of a person. Not only does it demand athleticism and competitiveness, it calls for a time commitment, a physical commitment, and a mental commitment. The girls varsity basketball team members have to be willing to give it all they've got for the season.

With practices lasting up to two hours, the girls put in a lot of time on the court. "Sometimes I feel like there's not enough hours in the day," said Abby Hall. "With practice, classes, and homework, I don't have time for much else."

When adding up the hours, you have to count in travel time as well as practice and game time. "The North Shelby tournament is a rough week," said Skylar Housman, "It's a long drive, and it seems like our games are always late, so it's close to midnight when we get home."

Along with the physical training and conditioning, basketball serves up some physical pain. Abi Kerby commented, "When practices first started, we did tons of 56 running. Our legs were sore until we got used to it."



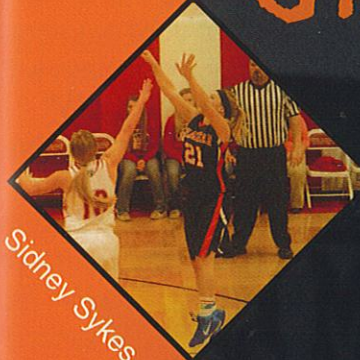
Several times Mandy Taylor was injured on the court. "Sometimes I feel like I'm targeted," Mandy said, "People think I play rough, but I don't. I just get hurt all the time." Mandy suffered a shoulder injury, a nasty scratch on her face, and countless knocks and bruises throughout the season.

"You have to love it to keep playing," said Allison Thompson. "It's hard. It's not always fun. Sometimes when things aren't going well, you just have to make yourself have a positive attitude."

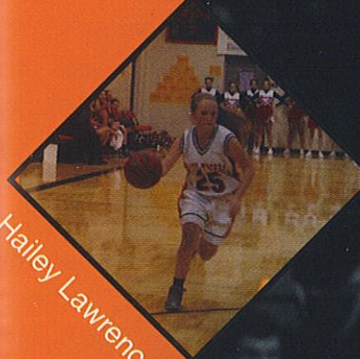
The girls talked about being frustrated at times with the way they played, or being frustrated with the practice schedule. "We would say to each other, 'We can do this, we can win this,'" said Saydie Potter, "and then we had to believe it in our hearts and minds."

So is it worth all that commitment? The team agreed that it was, and talked of the thrilling moments, the special memories made, the great games and great plays. **"And then at the end, our only regret is that we didn't give more."**

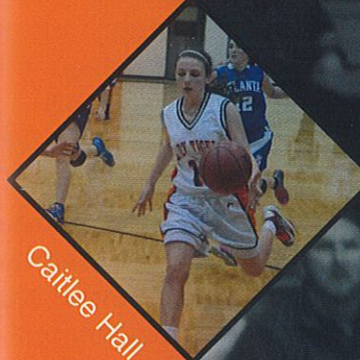
Give it All You've Got



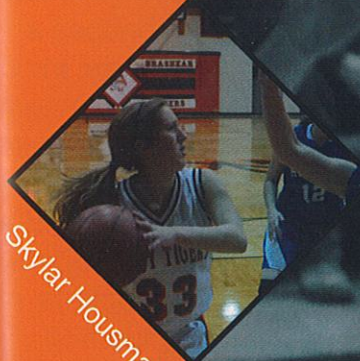
Sidney Sykes



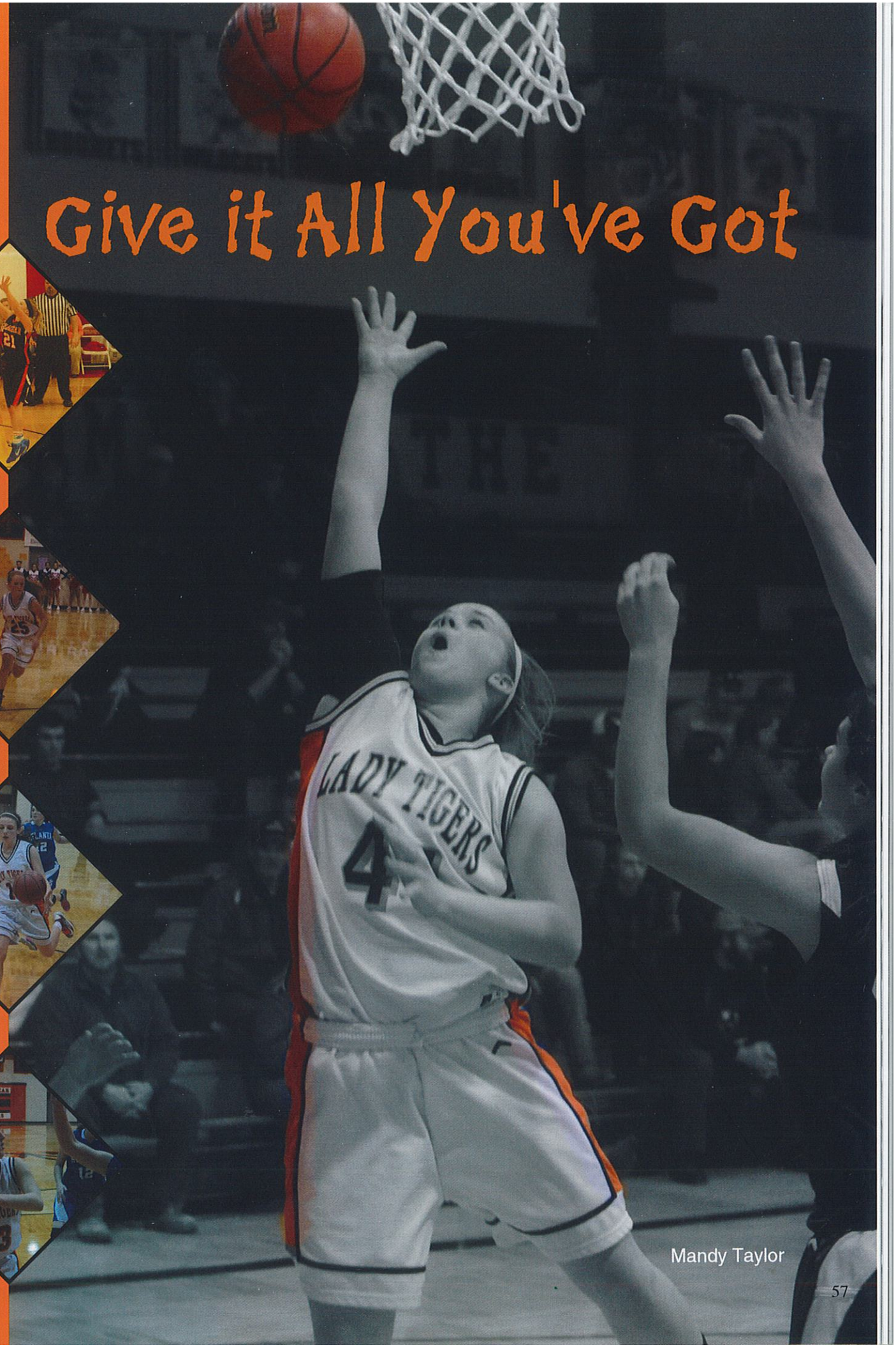
Hailey Lawrence



Caitlee Hall



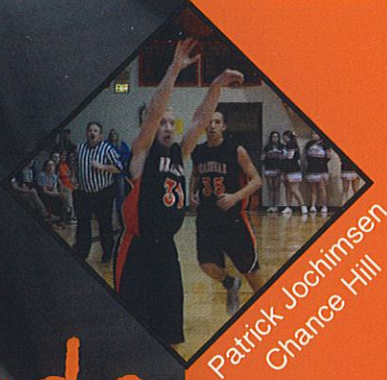
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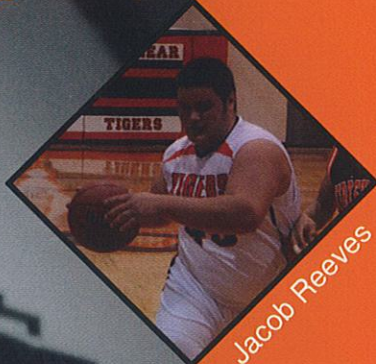
Mandy Taylor

Winning Attitude

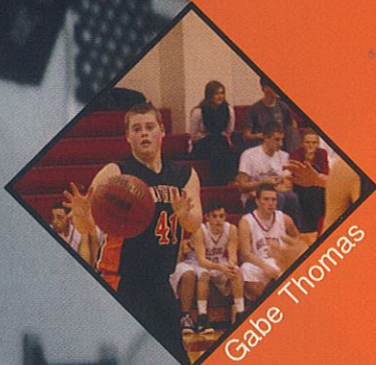
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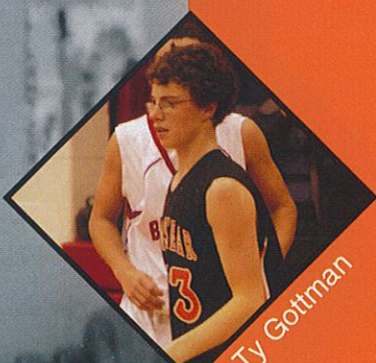
Patrick Jochimsen
Chance Hill



Jacob Reeves



Gabe Thomas



Ty Gottman

Losing a game is no reason to get excited, right? Wrong. The first game of the season against Marion County was a loss, but it was an exhilarating loss. The team was excited because the game had been close, and it was the first time in a few seasons that they had been so near to winning against Marion County. It was a great start to the season, and the team was pumped because they felt that they had potential to do well the rest of the season.

"What went right?" we asked the senior team members. They eagerly began to tell us all the plays that were successful. "We used a play called Nike several times, and it kept working. We tried it last year, but couldn't seem to pull it off. We got it together this time," said Gabe Thomas.

"We turned the ball over a few times, but not too bad," said Chance Hill.

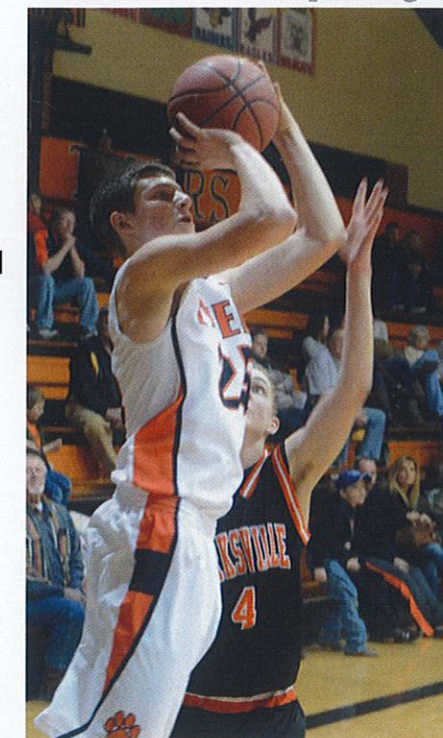
"The freshmen players were nervous, but they did fine. They got upset when they made a mistake, but I kept telling them to not worry about it," said Jacob Reeves.

"We moved around on the court. I've always played on the three point line, and this time I moved up," said Jacob Reeves, "It helped us get the ball to the basket better." He added, "I made the last shot of the game. With three seconds left on the clock, I took a shot from three feet behind the three point line. As soon as it left my hands, I knew it was in. It was the most amazing feeling of my basketball career. It was awesome."

Despite the invigorating start to the season, the team didn't fare well in the following games. Though they played with determination and perseverance, they continued to lose most of their games. An outstanding game of the season was the Homecoming game on February 6th against Grundy County. The game was a thriller, with Brashear taking the lead 11-10 in the first quarter and progressing to a 24-15 lead at half time. In the second half, Grundy County advanced to a 5 point lead, but the Brashear Tigers stepped up their game and pulled off a 37-27 win. For the last several minutes of the game, the Brashear crowd was on its feet cheering. "We haven't won a homecoming game in a while; well, we haven't won any game in a while, so it was a good feeling to win tonight," said Chance Hill.

Without doubt, the team played the season with a winning attitude.

Attitude is everything



Inside Colt Acton puts the ball up in a game against Kirksville JV during the Brashear tournament. Colt scored 14 points in the game.



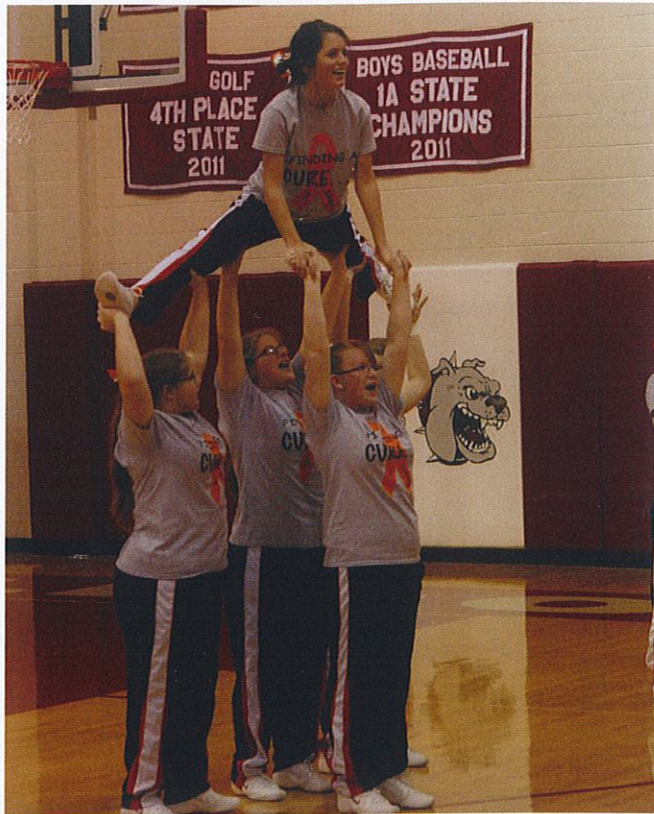
Hot Hands Patrick Jochimsen makes a shot from the three point line in a game against Scotland County. Patrick was on fire for this game, and was the high scorer with 15 points.



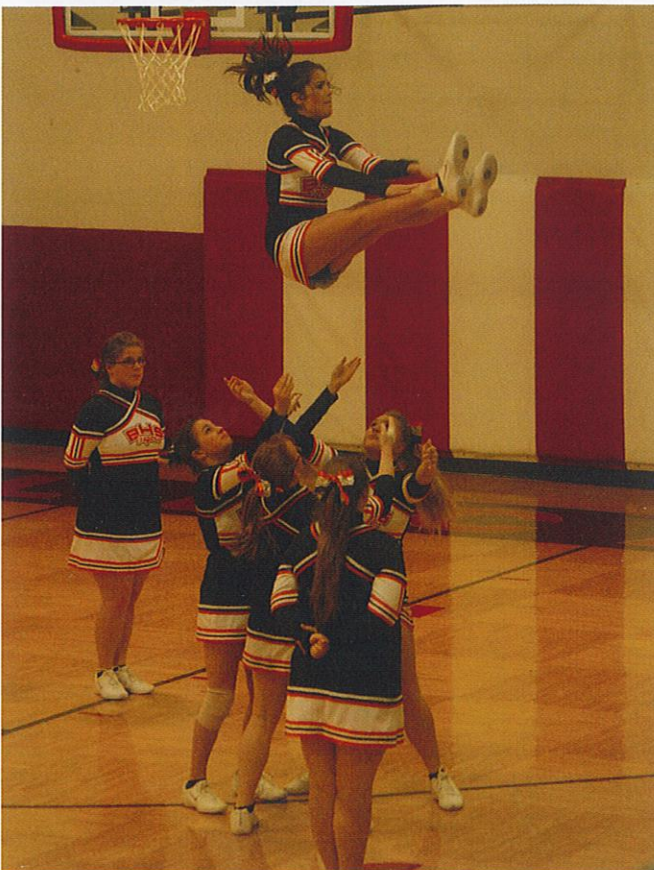
Block Gabe Thomas attempts to block the Kirksville pass in. Gabe played each game with 100% effort and 100% enthusiasm and support for his teammates.

Pump Up the Spirit

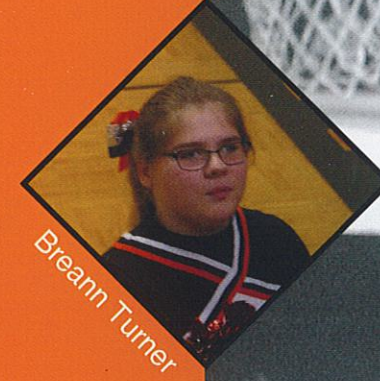
Whether it was cheering at the games, dressing up for theme days, decorating around the school, or just wearing orange and black, the varsity cheerleaders led the school in showing school spirit. The squad choreographed several new cheers to add energy and variety to their routine. "I had a wonderful time cheering this year. Being a cheerleader made for a crazy busy schedule, like during tournaments weeks, but it was worth it," said Rhiannon Turner.



For the Orange Out game with La Plata, the girls performed a cheer, "There Ain't No Party like an Orange Out Party," together with the La Plata cheerleaders.



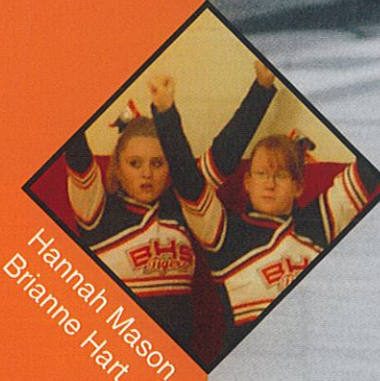
The cheerleaders perform a stunt at the Novinger tournament with Bailey Mihalovich as the flier.



Breann Turner



Kourtney Arnold



Hannah Mason
Brianne Hart



Bailey Mihalovich
Rhiannon Turner



Aden Zentz jumps the long jump at Putnam County. At the Athletic Awards banquet, Coach Grissom awarded Aden with the Jumping Jellybean award for his ability to jump forwards, backwards, and sideways.



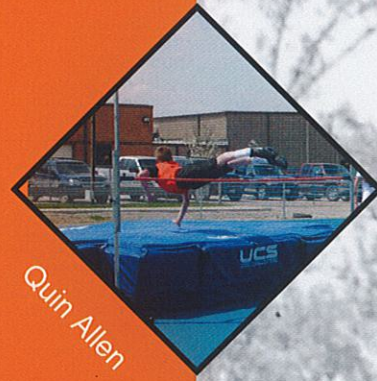
Alexa Higgins runs the 400 meter dash at the Conference meet at La Plata. Alexa placed 4th with a time of 1:18.10. She also placed 8th in shot.



Justin McHenry makes the long jump at Putnam County. It was Justin's best jump, with a distance of 10'11".



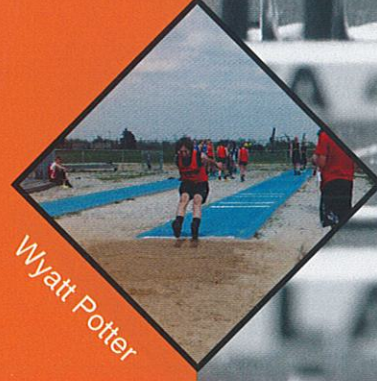
Quin Allen runs the 100 meter dash at the Putnam County meet. Quin's time was 14.53 seconds, his personal best for the season.



Quin Allen

Jump for It

Junior High Track and Field



Wyatt Potter

Averi Acton

Let's Get it Started

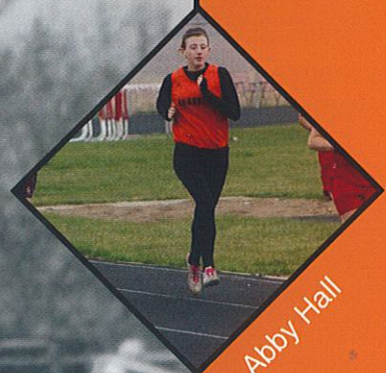
Varsity Track and Field



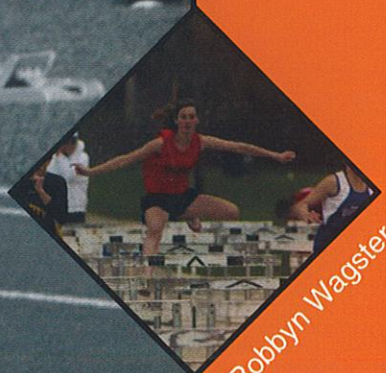
Robbyn Wagster



Patrick Jochimsen



Abby Hall



Robbyn Wagster



Leah Grissom runs the 800 meter dash at La Plata. Leah also competed in the triple jump and jumped her season best with a distance of 20'2.5".



Megan McHenry carries the baton for the second leg of the 4X800 relay at the Atlanta meet. At the Athletic Awards banquet, Megan received the 100 Grand Award for effort and leadership.



Patrick Jochimsen rounds the corner on the 1600 meter run at Kirksville. Patrick had the highest number of points for the boys, with 21 points.



Abby Hall takes off from the starting blocks for the 400 meter dash at Kirksville. Her time for the event was 1:16.

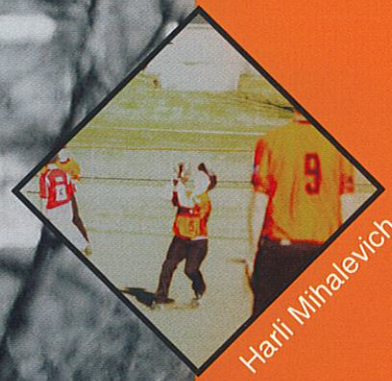


Kacie Mihalovich runs the 100 meter dash at Kirksville. In May, Kacie advanced to the state competition in the 200 meter dash. She also had the highest points for the season, with 89.25 points.

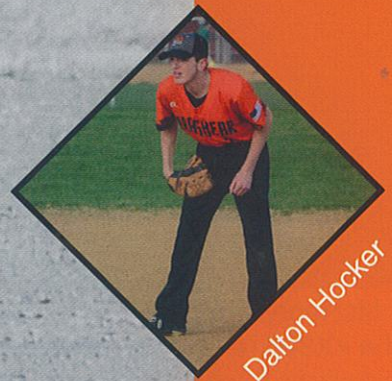


...at the old ball game!

Gabe Thomas



Harli Mihalevich



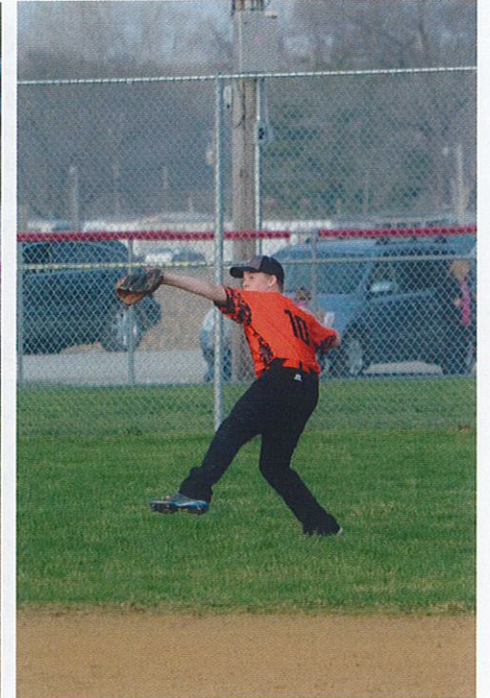
Dalton Hocker



Colt Acton



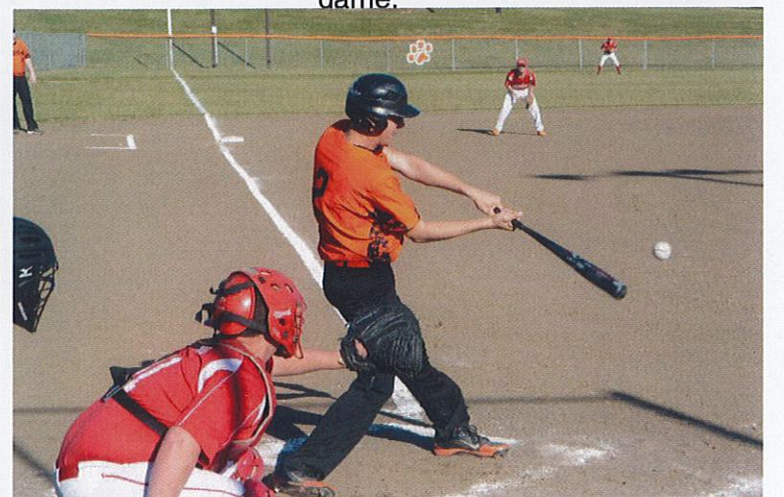
Ready Jacob Bleything awaits the pitch behind the plate.



Toss Zane Sykes throws a ball in from the outfield at the Canton game.



Huddle The team gathers at the pitchers mound to listen to instructions from Coach Coe.



Swing Chance Hill makes contact with the ball in a home game against Linn County. The Tigers lost the varsity game, but won the JV game 3-1.



Baseball has held the label of America's Favorite Pastime for over a century. Fans around the country enjoy playing and watching the game. The Brashear community is no exception. "I look forward to baseball every spring," said Gabe Thomas, "I played basketball this year, but what I was really looking forward to was baseball." Parents, students, family and community members came out to watch the games this spring. "We've had a good group of fans at the games," said Chance Hill, "and that helped us. They cheered and supported us whether we were winning or losing." Again this season, the team had to recruit some girls in order to have enough members to play the game.

The team began practices indoors early in the spring, and as soon as the weather allowed, moved out to the ballfield. Every day they drilled to practice hitting, pitching, and catching. Throughout the practices, teammates counted on one another to help them improve. "We all have the same goal in mind. We want to play as best as we can, and we have to work to do that," said Gabe Thomas. The team worked hard and enjoyed the baseball season.

Varsity and Junior High Academic Bowl Teams Perform Well for the Season

In a match of brain power, Brashear students buzz in with the answers. The academic bowl teams participated in eight matches, not counting the conference matches. The junior high team finished in third place at the Tri-County Conference Tournament on April 11th. From the varsity team, Alli Garrett was named as a member of the Tri-County Conference all-tournament Varsity Academic Bowl team.

The junior high team was proud of their placing in Conference, hosted by Linn County, and commented on the matches. "Some of the questions were easy, like 'What state is the Arch in?' and some questions were long and developed. By the time we got to the end of the question, we didn't even know what they were asking," said Hannah Reeves.

"I answered a question about Kendrick Lamar. I thought I knew the answer, but at the same time, I was afraid that it was supposed to throw us off and Kendrick Lamar couldn't be the answer to an academic bowl question," said Leah Grissom. "But I was right," she concluded.



Austin Ray, Aden Zentz, Hannah Reeves, and Justin McHenry wait to begin a home match against Atlanta. Brashear won the match, 300-270, and also won the second match against Bevier 320-270.



The Junior High team won both matches at Green City on March 27 against Green City and Linn County.

"I answered questions about Charles Dickens and Jesus," said Lauren Platz, "and I helped a lot with the bonus questions."

"Sometimes the readers were a distraction," said Celia Kincaid, "We had one guy who read with such intense drama that I couldn't focus on the question."

"Imagine Sheldon Cooper from *Big Bang Theory* reading the questions. That's who he sounded like," Leah Grissom contributed.

"And then the next person was just the opposite," said Hannah Reeves.

Both the varsity and the junior high teams played an impressive season.



Austin Ray, Aden Zentz, Leah Grissom, and Celia Kincaid listen to a question at Linn County on April 11.



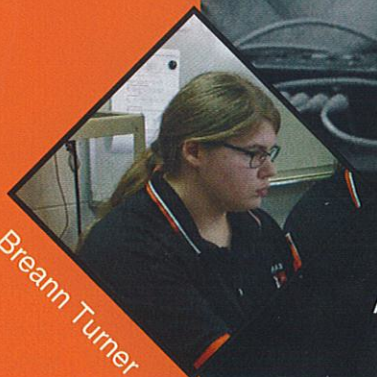
Junior high team members Lauren Platz, Hannah Reeves, Aden Zentz, and Austin Ray consider a question at the conference tournament at Linn County.



Gabe Thomas
Alli Garrett

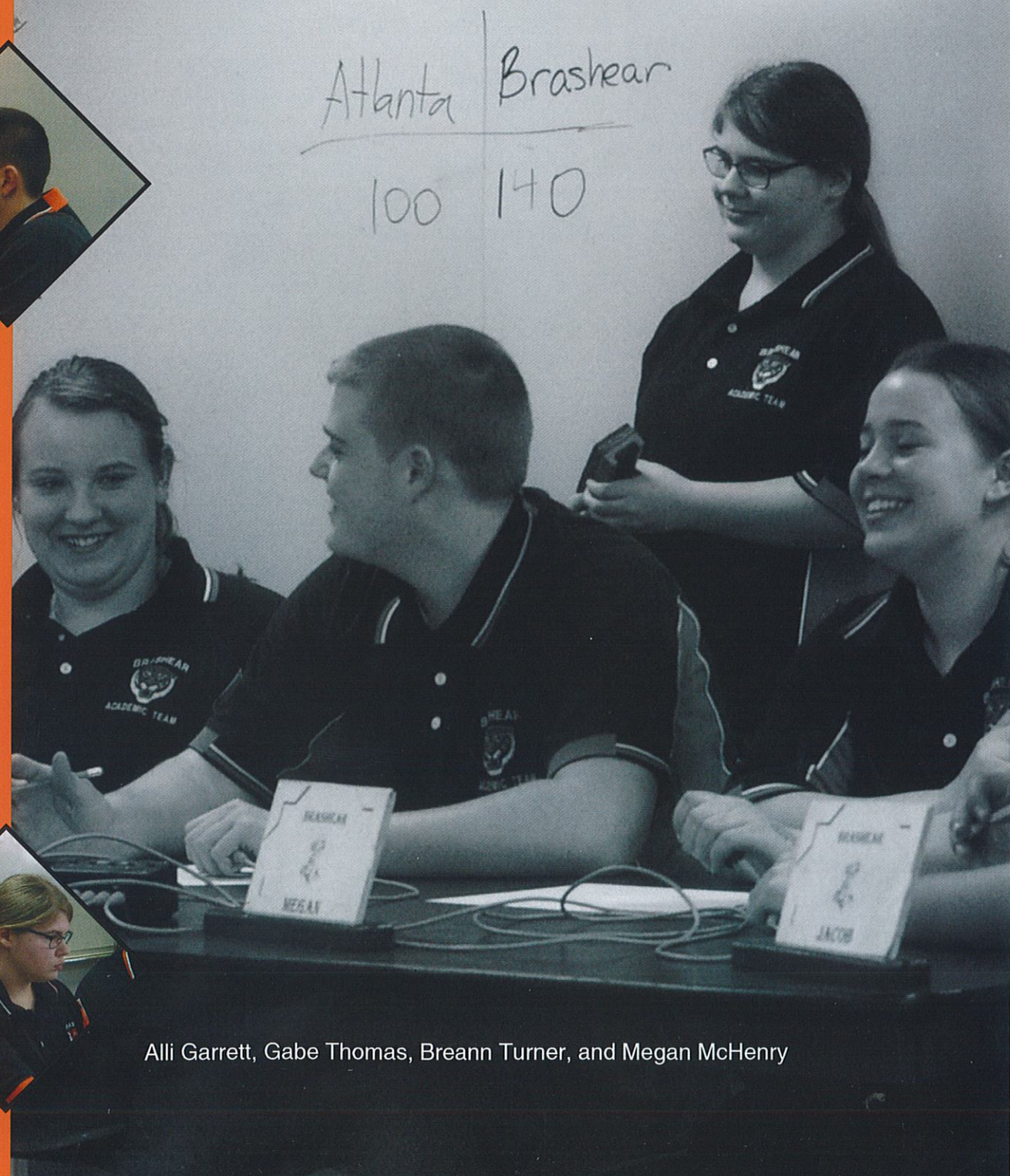


Jacob Bleything



Breann Turner

Test Your Knowledge



Alli Garrett, Gabe Thomas, Breann Turner, and Megan McHenry



At each of the varsity home basketball games, the pep band performed during half time of the games.

In the Truman State University homecoming parade, the band marches down Franklin Street in Kirksville. "We had several people compliment us on how well we looked and sounded," said Megan McHenry.



As soon as marching band was finished, the band began to prepare for the Christmas program. Some students said they had fun practicing for the program, while a few said that they didn't like Christmas music, so it seemed to last forever. The group's favorite song to play was "Let it Snow." Kiersten Hart commented, "The first three times we played it through in class, it was snowing outside. It became a class joke; we were afraid to play the song." Another song they enjoyed performing was "Christmas Delights," which was a medley of Christmas songs.

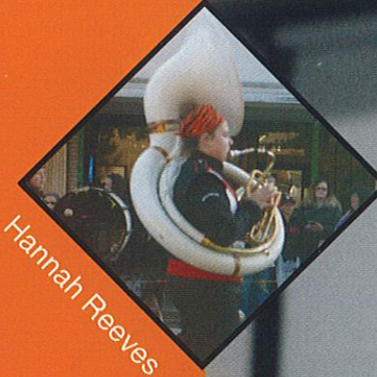


The Spring Concert was held on Thursday, April 23. Along with the concert band, the elementary band performed two songs.

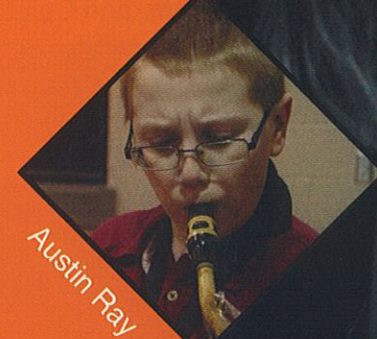


For the Spring Concert, Saydie Potter, Alli Garrett, and Abby Hall play Mozart's "Allegro" from *Divertimento IV*, which was the piece that they took to contest as a clarinet trio.

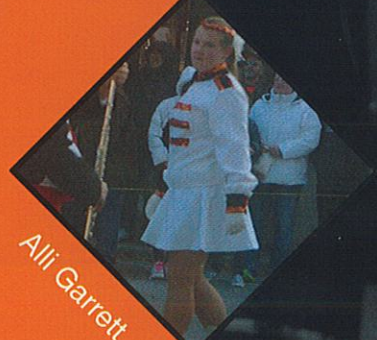
Eleven BHS band members made the Tri-County All-Conference Band. The All-Conference band performed at La Plata, Atlanta, and Bevier schools on March 11.



Hannah Reeves



Austin Ray

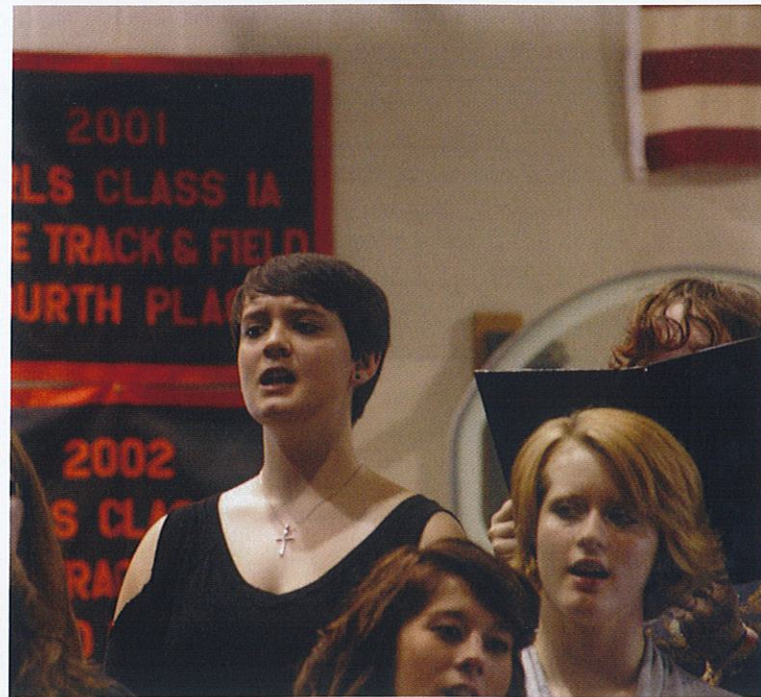


Alli Garrett



Morgan Magruder

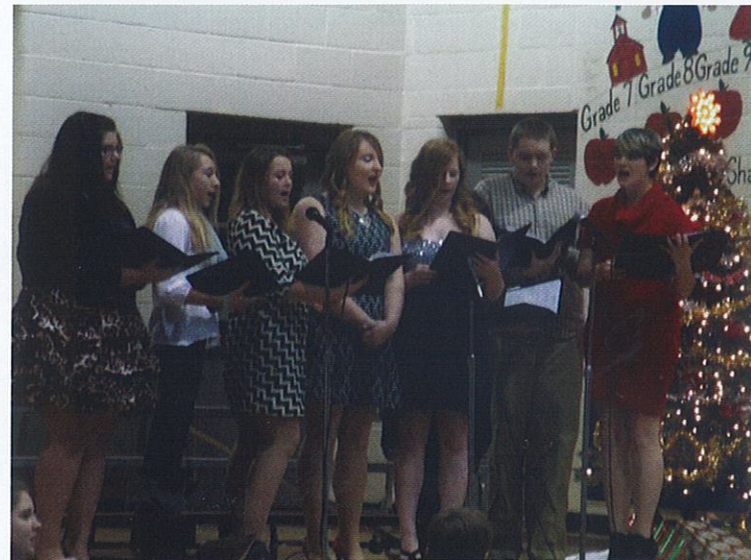
Choir



Brashear choir students Alli Garrett, Kiersten Hart, Celia Kincaid, Megan McHenry, and Eliza Magruder represent our school in the Tri-County Conference Choir. Students from nine area schools met on Sunday to rehearse, and then performed on Monday, October 20 at Green City, Novinger, and Brashear schools.



Concert choir members Eliza Magruder, Emily Mason, Megan McHenry, Alli Garrett, Kiersten Hart, Justin McHenry, Nicholas Leedom, and Celia Kincaid perform at the Christmas Program on December 11th.



Along with vocal solos by Alli Garrett and Megan McHenry, Concert Choir perform three selections, "The Moon", "Murasame", and "Homeward Bound" at the Spring Concert on Thursday, April 23rd.



National Honor Society

The National Honor Society induction ceremony was held February 18. Seven new members were selected based on their exemplary academic achievements, service to the community, leadership and character.

Throughout the year, NHS members dedicate themselves to leading in these areas.

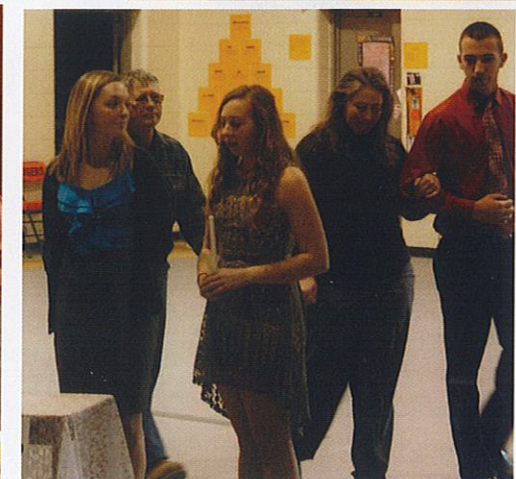
Light the World Kacie Mihalovich and Mechelia Potter stand in a circle to pass the flame as part of the induction ceremony.



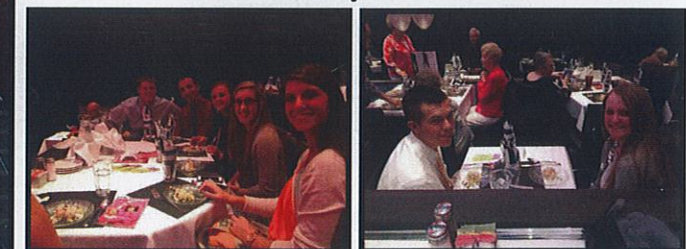
Rhiannon Turner selected her sister, Breann Turner, out of the bleachers and stands in the circle.

Alli Garrett lights the central flame to pass to new members.

Pledged New inductees, Saydie Potter, Hailey Lawrence, Brianne Hart, and Jacob Bleything stand in a circle as Gabe Thomas, vice president, leads the pledge to uphold the high standards of the National Honor Society.



After being selected from the bleachers by Abigail Kerby, Mechelia Potter stands with her candle as her parents are escorted in by Chance Hill.



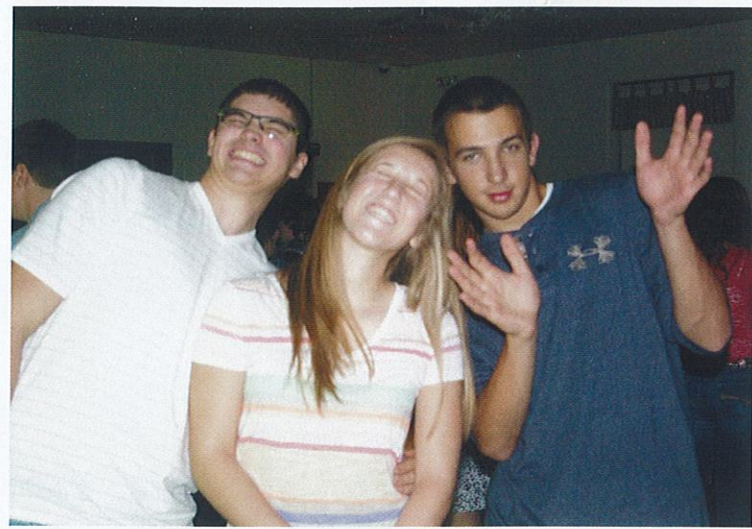
On May 13, NHS members traveled to New Theater Restaurant in Kansas City to enjoy a meal and the musical *Hairspray*. Students reported that the meal was good. "I liked the smoked ham," said Jacob Bleything.

"The best part of the musical," said Brianne Hart, "was when Miss Motormouth sang 'Know Where I've Been'. The actress had an amazing voice."

"I liked how the actors interacted with the audience," added Saydie Potter.



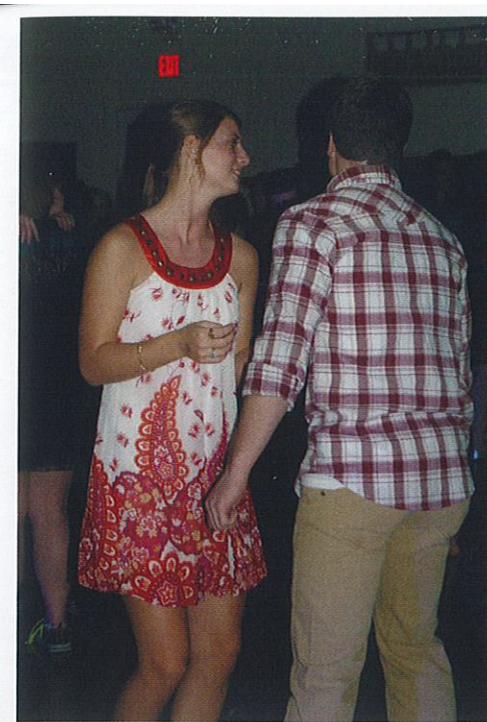
Fall
Dance
 Friday,
 November 7th



Luke Baker, Skylar Housman, and Chance Hill



Kiersten Hart



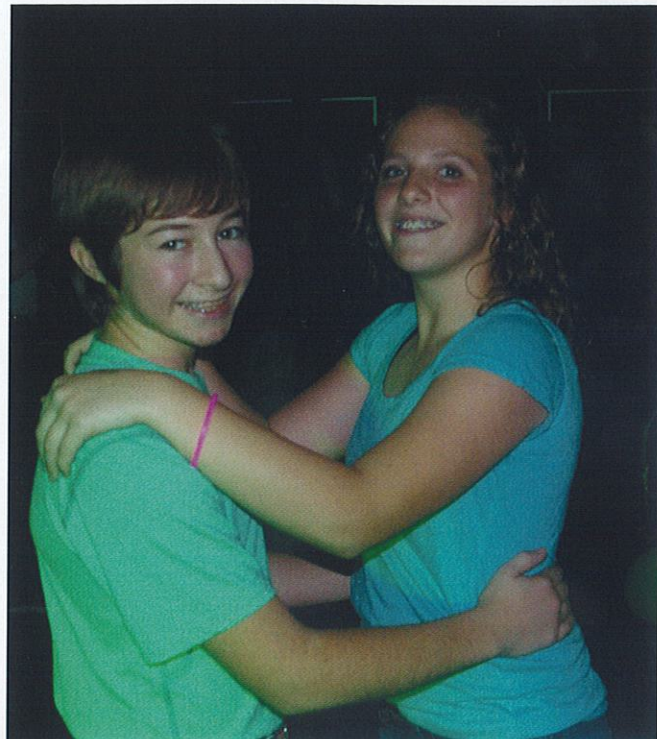
Allison Thompson and date, Dillon Wait



Kimmie Walitshek, T.J. Tingley, and Rachel Heimer



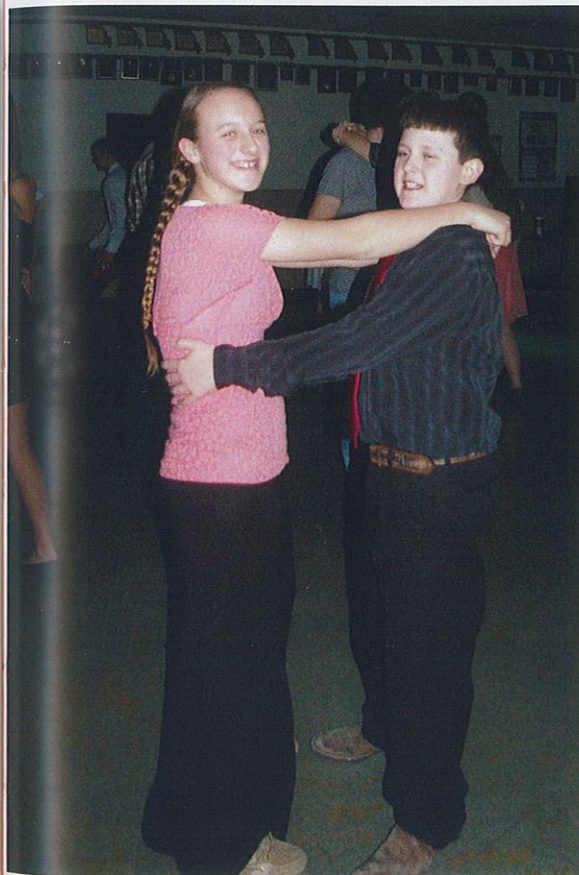
Morgan Magruder and Dillon Klingsmith



Wyatt Potter and Averi Acton



Brianne Hart, Becca Story, Rhiannon Turner



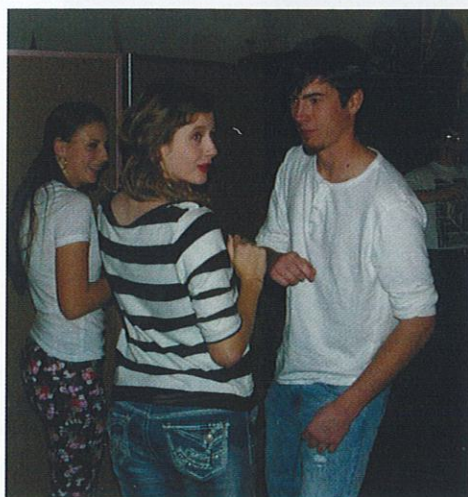
Alexa Higgins and Wyatt Reeves



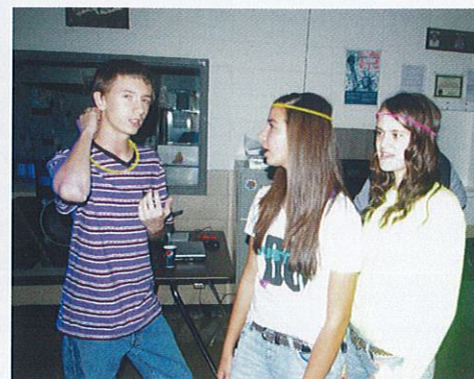
Saydie Potter and Wyatt Potter



Willow Frazier and Nate Stewart



Caitlee Hall, Abby Hall and date, Wyatt Yost



Justin Leedom, Kaelyn Sullivan, and Tanna Garlock



Mechelia Potter, Breann Turner, and Saydie Potter

Christmas
 Christmas Dance
 Friday, December 19th
Dance



"Light 'Em Up"

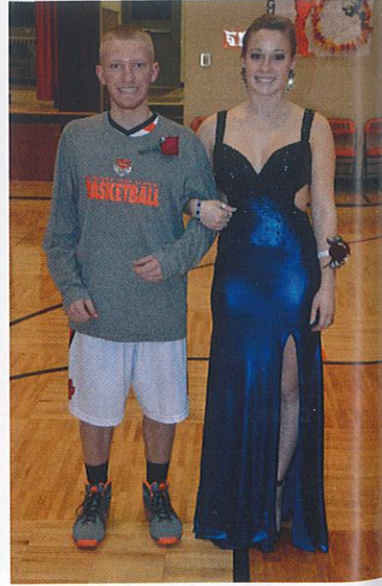
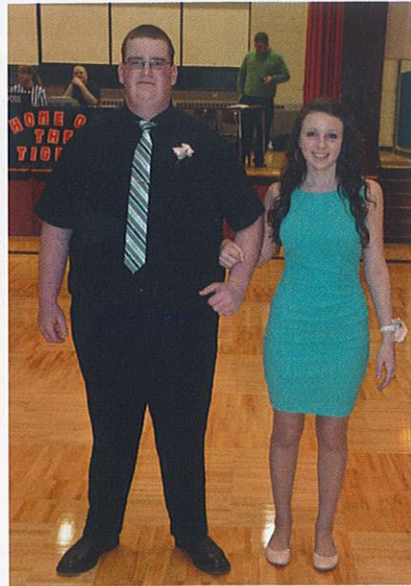
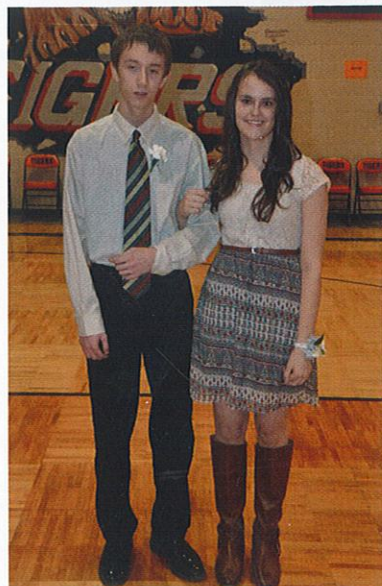
Homecoming Brashear vs. Grundy County



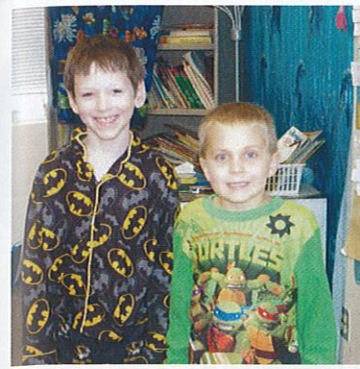
Brianne Hart, Colt Acton, and Breann Turner dress to show their spirit.



8th graders Wyatt Potter and Kiersten Hart receive the sashes for winning Prince and Princess. Retiring Queen Abby Hall and retiring King Chance Hill crown Gabe Thomas and Becca Story as 2015 Homecoming Royalty.



Left to right: 7th grade Prince and Princess candidates Justin Leedom and Tanna Garlock, Freshman candidates Harley Hayes and Harli Mihalevich, Sophomore King and Queen candidates Tyler Watson and Caitlee Hall, and Junior candidates Patrick Jochimsen and Sidney Sykes



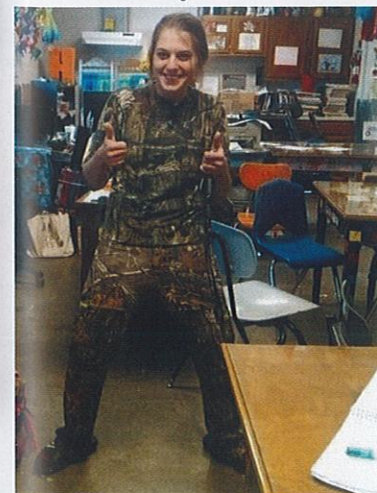
Caden Taylor and Caleb Grissom



Emma Newland



Piper Magruder and Heidi Lay



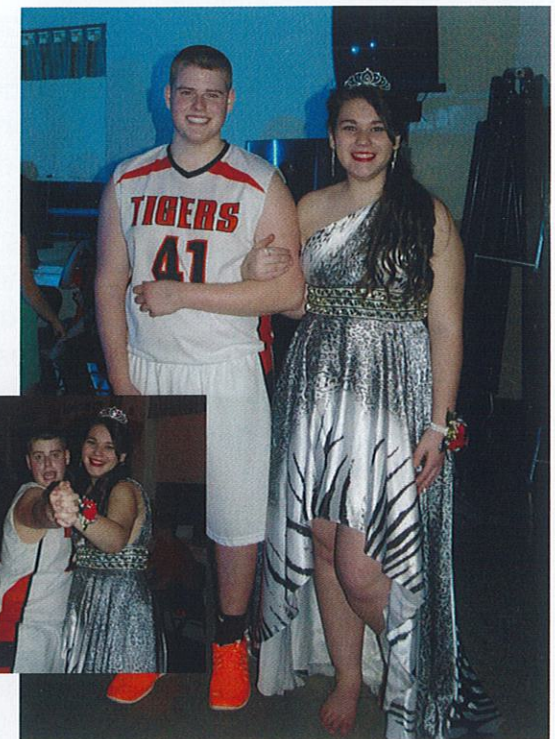
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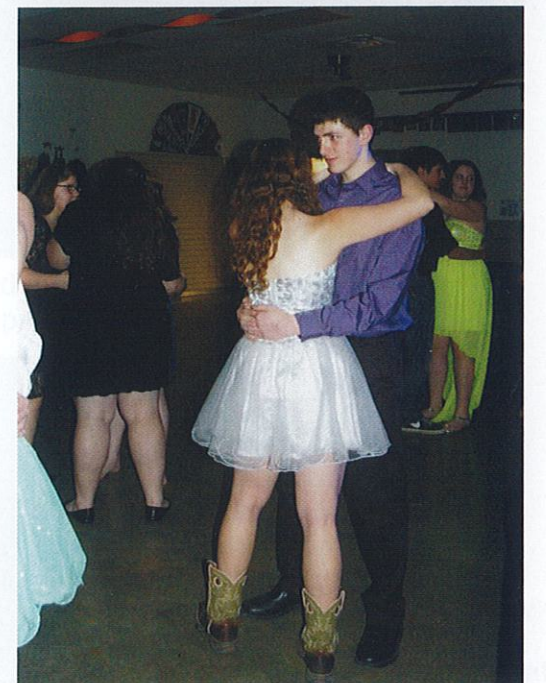
Colton Sayre and and Kaelyn Sullivan



Leah Grissom and Aden Zentz



Homecoming King Gabe Thomas and Queen Becca Story



Mechelia Potter and Dalton Hocker

Homecoming
Dance
Friday, February 6th



Patrick Jochimsen

Juniors and seniors begin planning for prom months before the event. Hours of preparations and hundreds of dollars go into that one night. We asked our students to tell us how much money they spent for the evening. In the process, we learned fun details about the dance that stands out as one of the highlights of the year. Our students alone spent over \$11,300, but the averages seem much less extravagant. From gassing up the vehicle to polishing toenails, here's the breakdown of the money spent.

Average for girls: \$537

Average for boys: \$220



Rachel Heimer and her boyfriend, T.J. Tingley went to dinner at Nirachi in Kirksville. In lieu of a tux, T.J. wore his National Guard dress blues. A complete stranger noticed T.J.'s attire and paid for his and Rachel's meal. "I didn't know how to react," Rachel revealed, "We were completely surprised and didn't know what to say. It was definitely something that made my senior prom even more memorable."

More than one group of friends went to Colton's in Kirksville for dinner. The girls reported that the guys paid.



A closer look at
The Cost of Prom

WHERE DOES IT ALL GO?

Hair Average: \$34	Dinner Average: \$16
Jewelry Average: \$11	Manicure Average: \$23
Dress Average: \$420	Corsage or Boutonniere Average: \$31
Tan Average: \$17	Tuxedo Average: \$156.50
Shoes Average: \$18	Transportation Average: \$17



"Our meal was free. Well, for us, anyway. Gabe's parents paid for it," said Mandy Taylor. Six couples enjoyed a meal at the Thomas' house before prom.



Dance the

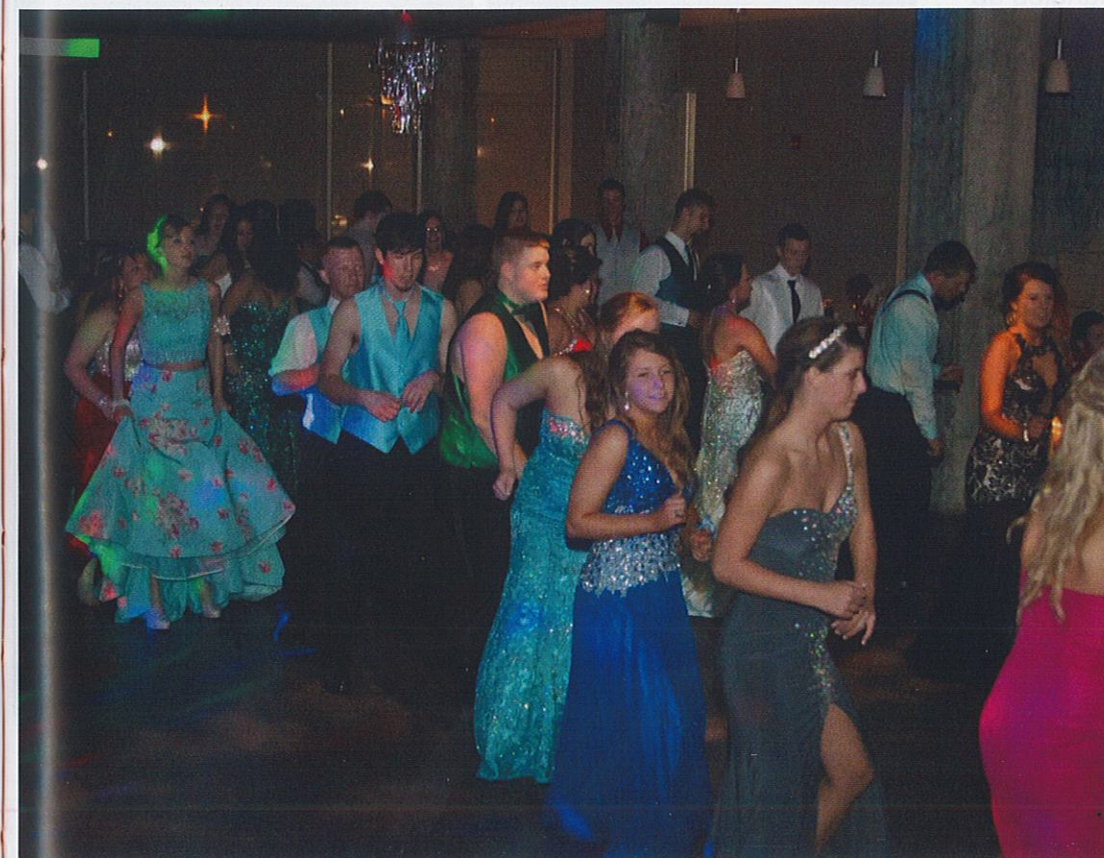
Dance the Night Away
 Saturday, April 18th



Patrick Jochimsen, Sidney Sykes, and Bailey Mihalovich sing and dance on the stage.



Chance Hill and Allison Thompson were crowned 2015 prom king and queen.



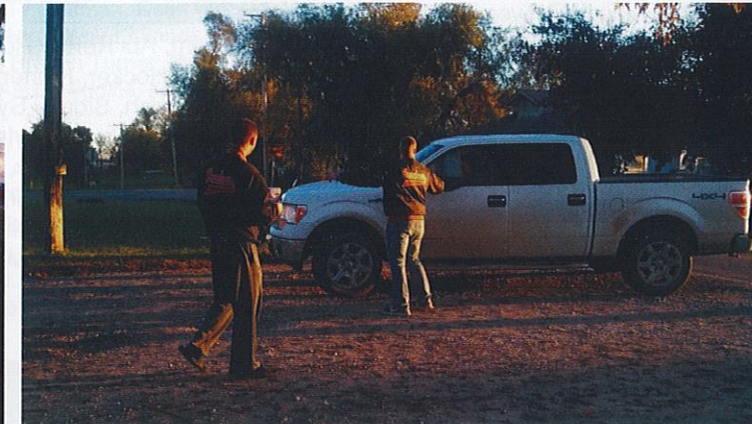
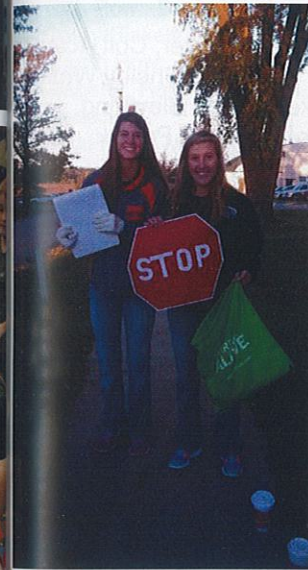
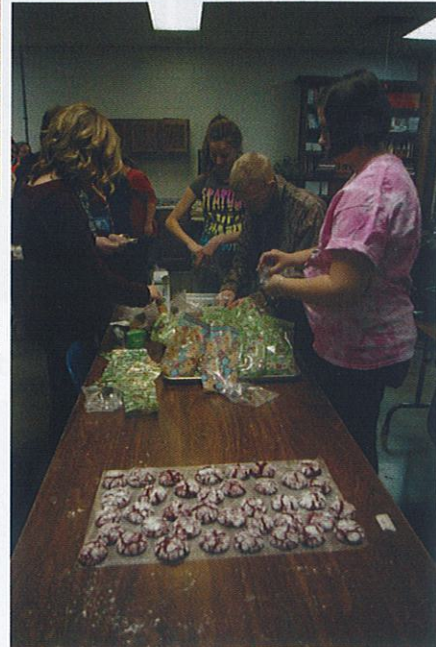
Brashear students and their dates dance at Truman's Down Under. "It was a great location," said Kristen Walitshek, "It was a nice place, and except decorating the tables, we didn't have to do much setting up."

The after-prom party was held at Leisure World, where students enjoyed skating, bowling, and pool, along with other activities provided by the after-prom committee. Skylar Housman said, "It's like Christmas! You win money and prizes." Dalton Hocker added, "I won \$10 in the chicken game, and then \$20 from the dart games." Other prizes included Kansas City Royals tickets, gift cards, movie baskets, candy, and electronics.

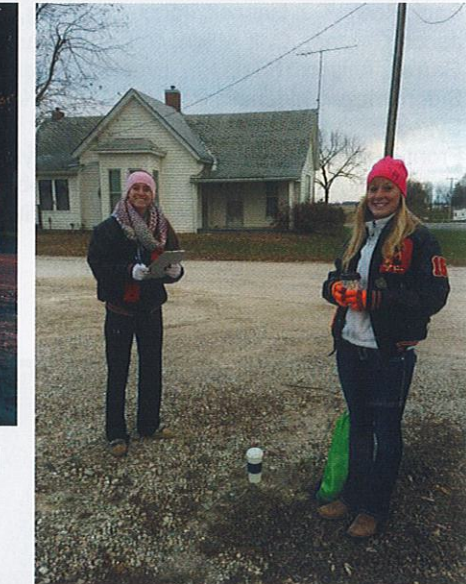
Live to Serve



Elementary Community Service leaders pick up trash along the road.



NHS members hold a Battle of the Belts check point and stop vehicles entering the school parking lot to check seatbelt usage. The event is part of a statewide campaign to raise awareness and increase the use of seat belts among high school students.



Winter Projects

Around Christmas time, BHS students completed several community service projects. High school students made cookies and candy and filled treat bags. Then, they bundled up and walked around town singing Christmas carols and passed out the treat bags. Mr. Killen, the shop teacher, supervised students making Christmas tree ornaments, which were also given as gifts. Abi Kerby organized a collection of items to pack shoe boxes full of gifts as part of Operation Christmas Child, which sends boxes to children around the world. Ms. Becker, the art teacher, held a workshop to make snow globes which were given to nursing home residents. Walking back toward the school after caroling and passing out the treat bags, Abi Kerby commented, "I love this. I feel like we did something worthwhile. I hope we do this again next year."



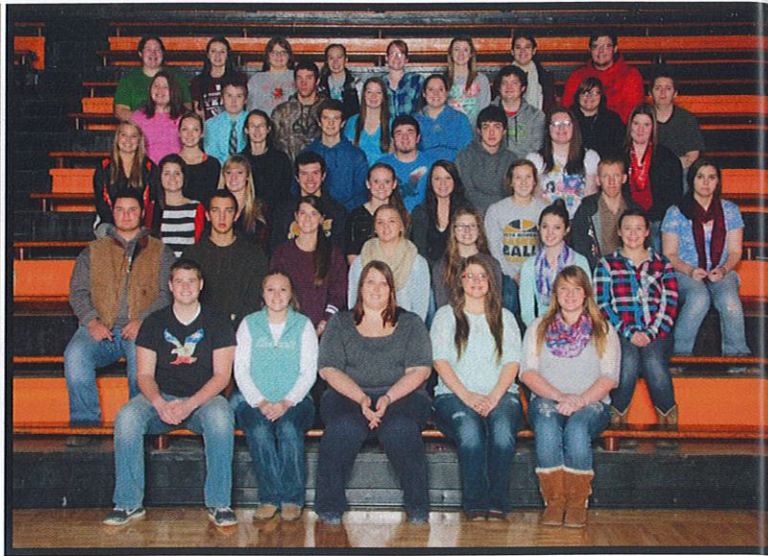
Elementary students collected pop can tabs throughout the year, and in April, a group traveled to Columbia to present their donation to the Ronald McDonald house.





EOC Reward Trip St. Louis Cardinals Game

Back Row: T.J. Haskell, Jacob Bleything, Chance Hill, Jacob Reeves, Jacob Gardner, Colt Acton, Gabe Thomas, Kimmie Walitshek, Alli Garrett, Allison Thompson, Breann Turner, Saydie Potter, Jackie Sidenstricker, Mechelia Potter, Brienne Hart, Hailey Lawrence, Sidney Sykes
 Front Row: Dillon Klingsmith, Mandy Taylor, Rachel Heimer, Skylar Housman, Abi Kerby, Erin Bradshaw, Abby Hall, Patrick Jochimsen, Kellie Wagster, Trevor Love, Kristen Walitshek



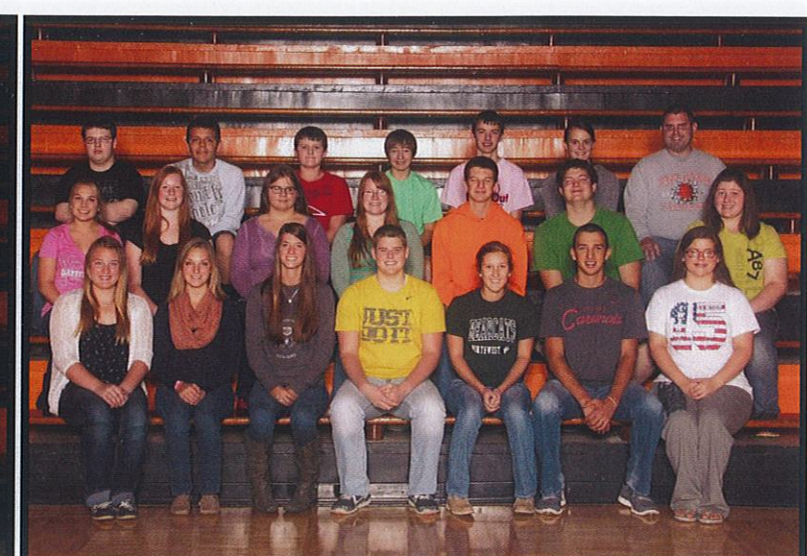
Art Club

Back Row: Saydie Potter, Caitlee Hall, Breann Turner, Mechelia Potter, Brienne Hart, Abby Hall, Becca Story, Lucas Grgurich
 5th Row: Lauren Platz, Zane Sykes, Devin Morrison, Harli Mihalevich, Hannah Reeves, Jacob Gardner, Morgan Magruder, Nicholas Leedom
 4th Row: Leah Grissom, Abi Kerby, Robbyn Wagster, Colt Acton, Brody Henrichs, Dalton Hocker, Kristen Walitshek, Shelby Watson
 3rd Row: Bailey Mihalovich, Sidney Sykes, Jacob Bleything, Hailey Lawrence, Erin Bradshaw, Skylar Housman, Patrick Jochimsen, Skylar Haskell
 2nd Row: Jacob Reeves, Chance Hill, Allison Thompson, Mandy Taylor, Kacie Mihalovich, Kimmie Walitshek, Megan McHenry
 Front Row: Gabe Thomas, Hannah Mason, Sponsor Ms. Danie Becker, Rhiannon Turner, Alli Garrett



Renaissance

Back Row: Jackie Sidenstricker, Zane Sykes, Colt Acton, Morgan Magruder, Kiersten Hart, Eliza Magruder
 Sixth Row: Travis Nilson, Harley Hayes, Nate Stewart, Shalia Kennison, Hailey Lawrence, Jacob Bleything, Wyatt Potter, Kellie Wagster
 Fifth Row: Devin Morrison, Ty Gottman, Celia Kincaid, Megan McHenry, Coury Blakely, Triston Morrison, Drew Kirkham, Valerie Sizemore
 Fourth Row: Saydie Potter, Breann Turner, Byron Hines, Robbyn Wagster, Hannah Reeves, Alexa Higgins, Kaelyn Sullivan, Tanna Garlock
 Third Row: Mechelia Potter, Brienne Hart, Harli Mihalevich, Leah Grissom, Nicholas Leedom, Austin Ray, John Gerhold, Fisher Reese
 Second Row: Averi Acton, Abi Kerby, Bailey Mihalovich, Kristen Walitshek, Erin Bradshaw, Kacie Mihalovich, Caitlee Hall, Patrick Jochimsen
 Front Row: Kourtney Arnold, Kimmie Walitshek, Rhiannon Turner, Allison Thompson, Mandy Taylor, Jacob Reeves, Gabe Thomas, Skylar Housman



Student Council

Back Row: Harley Hayes, Sebastian Melendez, Wyatt Reeves, Wyatt Potter, Colton Sayre, Tanna Garlock, Sponsor Mr. Doolin
 Second Row: Leah Grissom, Kiersten Hart, Breann Turner, Brienne Hart, Colt Acton, Jacob Gardner, Lauren Platz
 Front Row: Alli Garrett, Abi Kerby, Allison Thompson, Gabe Thomas, Skylar Housman, Chance Hill, Rhiannon Turner



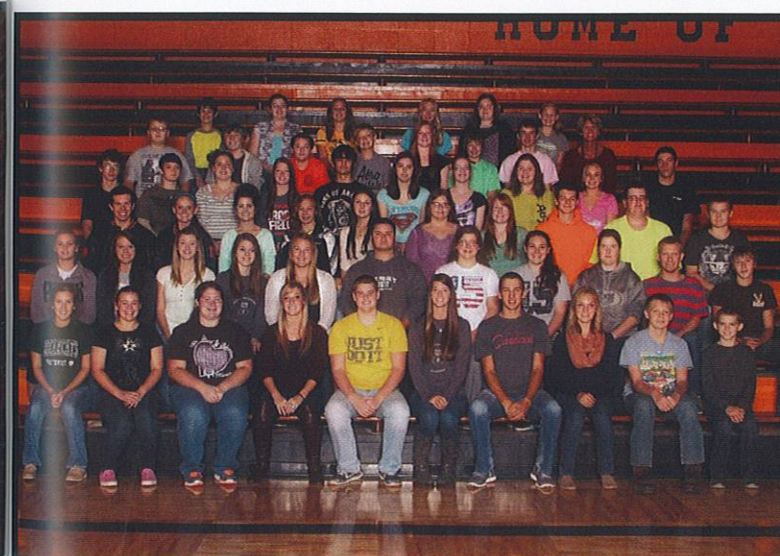
Marching Band

In no order: Alli Garrett, Abby Hall, Saydie Potter, Mechelia Potter, Wyatt Potter, Jackie Sidenstricker, Megan McHenry, Justin McHenry, Hannah Reeves, Leah Grissom, Colton Sayre, Levi Blankenship, Tanna Garlock, John Gerhold, Austin Ray, Morgan Magruder, Kiersten Hart, Zoe Blankenship



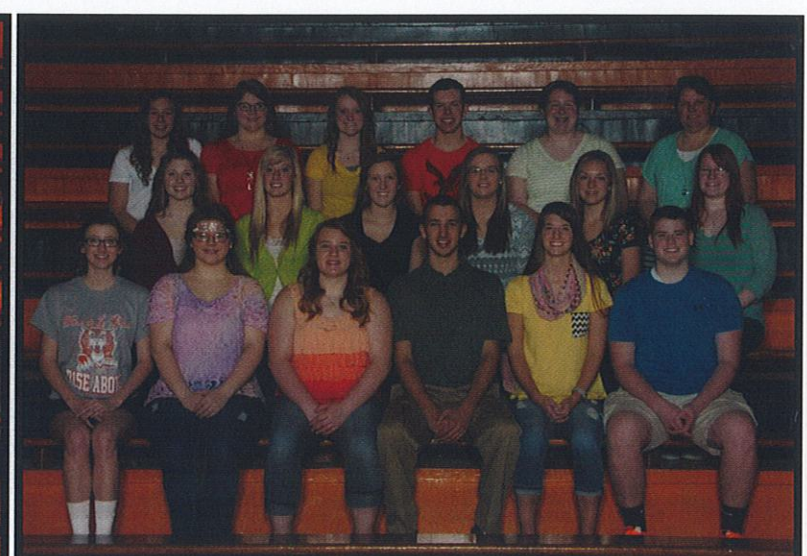
Choir

Back Row: Eliza Magruder, Nicholas Leedom, Celia Kincaid
 Middle Row: Alli Garrett, Kiersten Hart, Director Ms. O'Dell
 Front row: Megan McHenry, Morgan Magruder



FBLA

Front Row: Skylar Housman, Megan McHenry, Saydie Potter, Sidney Sykes, Gabe Thomas, Allison Thompson, Chance Hill, Abi Kerby, Aden Zentz, Fisher Reese
 Second Row: Mandy Taylor, Erin Bradshaw, Abby Hall, Kimmie Walitshek, Alli Garrett, Jacob Reeves, Rhiannon Turner, Becca Story, Shelby Watson, Patrick Jochimsen, Byron Hines
 Third Row: Jacob Bleything, Hailey Lawrence, Bailey Mihalovich, Mechelia Potter, Caitlee Hall, Breann Turner, Brienne Hart, Colt Acton, Tyler Watson, Zane Sykes
 Fourth Row: Ty Gottman, Celia Kincaid, Hannah Reeves, Harli Mihalevich, Travis Nilson, Skylar Haskell, Shalia Kennison, Lauren Platz, Leah Grissom, Devin Morrison
 Fifth Row: Noah Hall, Courtland Blakely, Triston Morrison, Levi Blankenship, Kiersten Hart, Wyatt Potter, Colton Sayre, Sponser Ms. Reese
 Sixth Row: Justin McHenry, Kelsey Platz, Averi Acton, Emily Mason, Aubrey Bleything, Zoe Blankenship



National Honor Society

Back Row: Mechelia Potter, Breann Turner, Hailey Lawrence, Jacob Bleything, Saydie Potter, Adviser Christy Grissom
 Middle Row: Kacie Mihalovich, Sidney Sykes, Skylar Housman, Mandy Taylor, Abi Kerby, Brienne Hart
 Front Row: Abby Hall, Rhiannon Turner, Alli Garrett, Chance Hill, Allison Thompson, Gabe Thomas



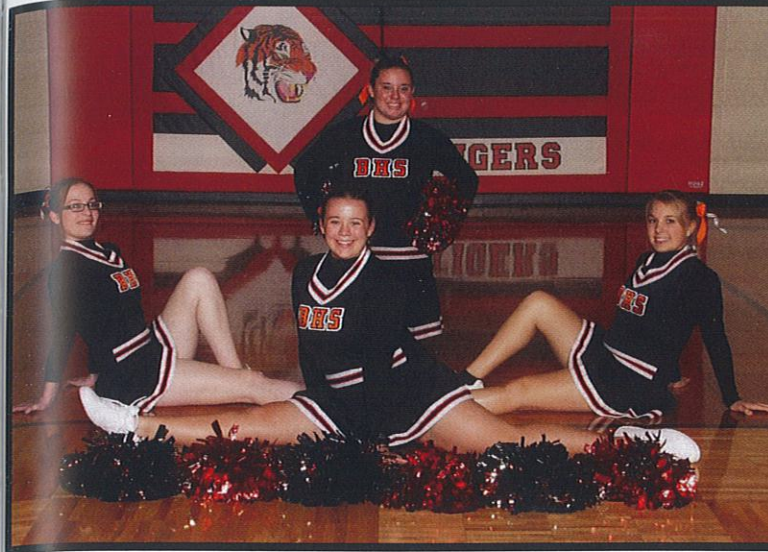
Fall Baseball

Left to Right: Zane Sykes, Will Jordan, Dalton Hocker, Tyler Watson, Gabe Thomas, Coach Corbin Coe, Chance Hill, Colt Acton, Jacob Bleything, Travis Nilson, Manager Colton Sayre



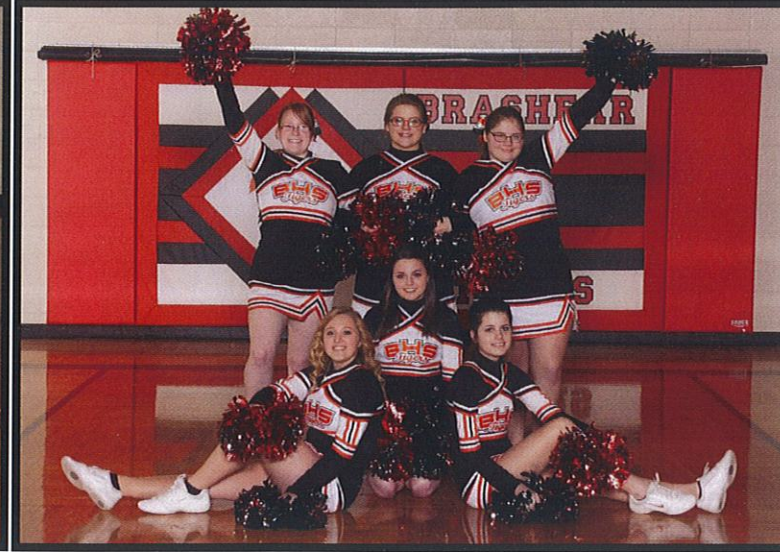
Softball

Back Row: Manager Colton Sayre, Caitlee Hall, Abi Kerby, Hannah Reeves, Coach Corbin Coe, Erin Bradshaw, Mandy Taylor, Sidney Sykes, Skylar Housman
Front Row: Hailey Lawrence, Alli Garrett, Abby Hall, Harli Mihalevich



Junior High Cheerleaders

Left to Right: Shaila Kennison, Megan McHenry, Mckenzie Sizemore, Leah Grissom



Varsity Cheerleaders

Back Row: Brianne Hart, Rhiannon Turner, Breann Turner
Middle: Kourtney Arnold
Front Row: Hannah Mason, Bailey Mihalovich



Junior High Boys Basketball

Back Row: Fisher Reese, Levi Blankenship, Coach Corbin Coe, Austin Ray, Aden Zentz, Colton Sayre, Triston Morrison, Noah Reeves, Wyatt Reeves, Quin Allen, Wyatt Potter
Front Row: Zane Sykes, Nate Stewart, Travis Nilson, Ty Gottman



Junior High Girls Basketball

Back Row: Zoe Blankenship, Aubrey Bleything, Tanna Garlock, Coach Corbin Coe, Melissa Wagster, Kiersten Hart, Alexa Higgins
Front Row: Emily Mason, Hannah Reeves, Shalia Kennison, Harli Mihalevich, Averi Acton



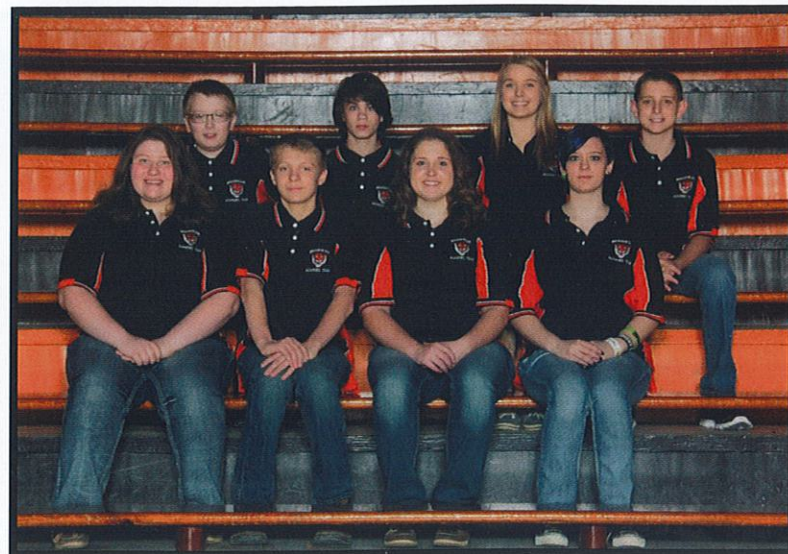
Varsity Boys Basketball

Back Row: Patrick Jochimsen, Colt Acton, Coach Corbin Coe, Travis Nilson, Ty Gottman
Front: Gabe Thomas, Chance Hill, Jacob Reeves



Varsity Girls Basketball

Back Row: Harli Mihalevich, Robbyn Wagster, Coach Corbin Coe, Hailey Lawrence, Hannah Reeves, Saydie Potter, Caitlee Hall, Mechelia Potter
Second Row: Sidney Sykes, Mandy Taylor, Skylar Housman, Abi Kerby
Front Row: Abby Hall, Allison Thompson



Junior High Academic Team

Back Row: Austin Ray, Justin McHenry, Leah Grissom, Noah Reeves
Front Row: Lauren Platz, Aden Zentz, Hannah Reeves, Celia Kincaid



High School Academic Team

Back Row: Breann Turner, Coach Mike Killen, Megan McHenry
Front Row: Jacob Bleything, Alli Garrett, Gabe Thomas



Junior High Track

Back Row: Quin Allen, Wyatt Reeves, John Gerhold, Aden Zentz, Coach Anna Nelson, Levi Blankenship, Wyatt Potter, Justin McHenry
Front Row: Averri Acton, Melissa Wagster, Alexa Higgins



Varsity Track

Standing: Leah Grissom, Robbyn Wagster, Abby Hall, Hannah Reeves, Coach Anna Nelson, Alli Garrett, Kacie Mihalovich, Megan McHenry
Kneeling: Trevor Love, Patrick Jochimsen



Spring Baseball

Back Row: Zane Sykes, Dalton Hocker, Tyler Watson, Colt Acton, Chance Hill, Gabe Thomas, Byron Hines, Manager Colton Sayre
Front Row: Coach Corbin Coe, Harli Mihalevich, Hannah Reeves, Alli Garrett, Abby Hall, Jacob Bleything



7-8th Grade Academic Bowl

Back Row: Austin Ray, Noah Hall, Aden Zentz, Justin McHenry
Front Row: Fisher Reese, Coach Jo Kincaid, Noah Reeves



Industrial Arts State Contest

Back Row: Austin Ray, Lauren Platz, Celia Kincaid, Gabe Thomas, Rhiannon Turner, Kiersten Hart
Front Row: Levi Blankenship, Zane Sykes, Hannah Reeves, Breann Turner, Trevor Love

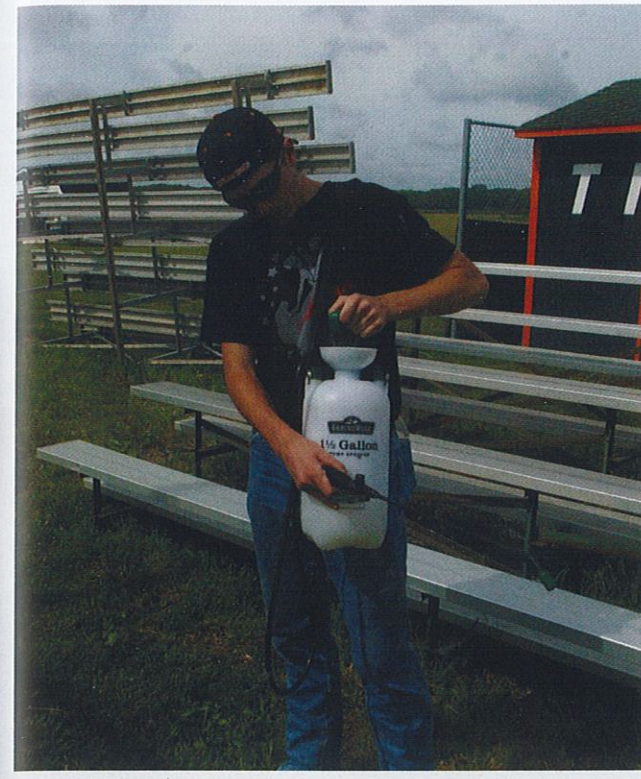


FBLA State Contest

Chance Hill, Gabe Thomas, Saydie Potter, Alli Garrett, Abi Kerby, Sidney Sykes



Continuing to Serve



BHS students spent the last Friday of the school year completing service projects around the school. One group rebuilt and replanted the flower garden outside the cafeteria, another group cleaned, painted, hung shelves, and decorated the locker rooms. A third group of students painted, weeded, made repairs, and planted trees to improve the ball field area. These projects took planning, dedication, and hard work, and our students showed pride in making a difference.

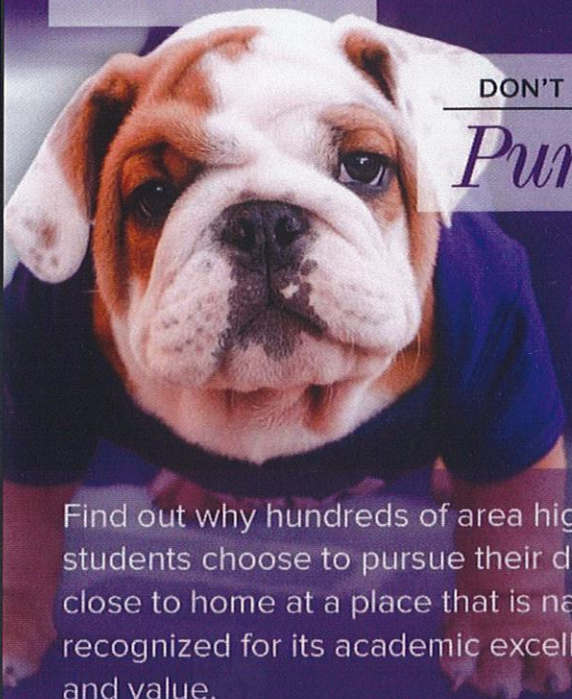
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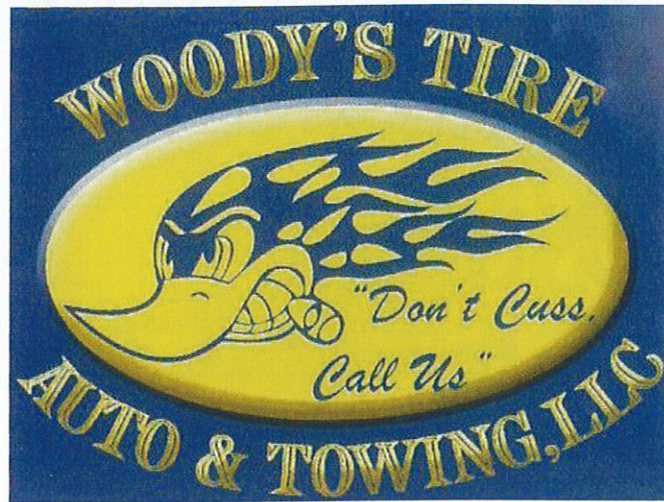


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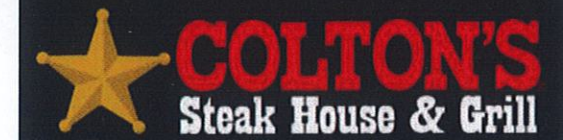
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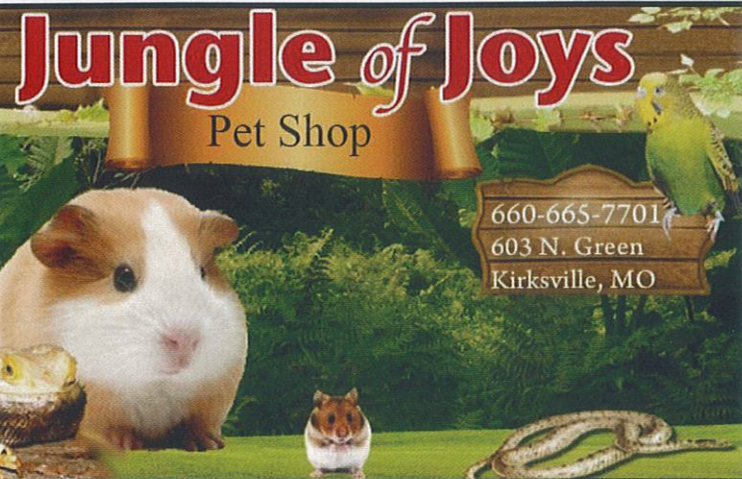


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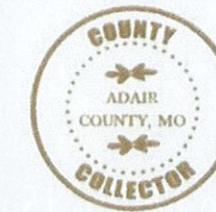


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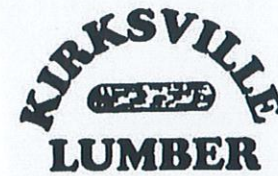
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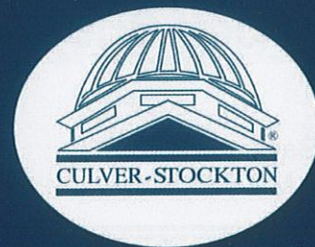


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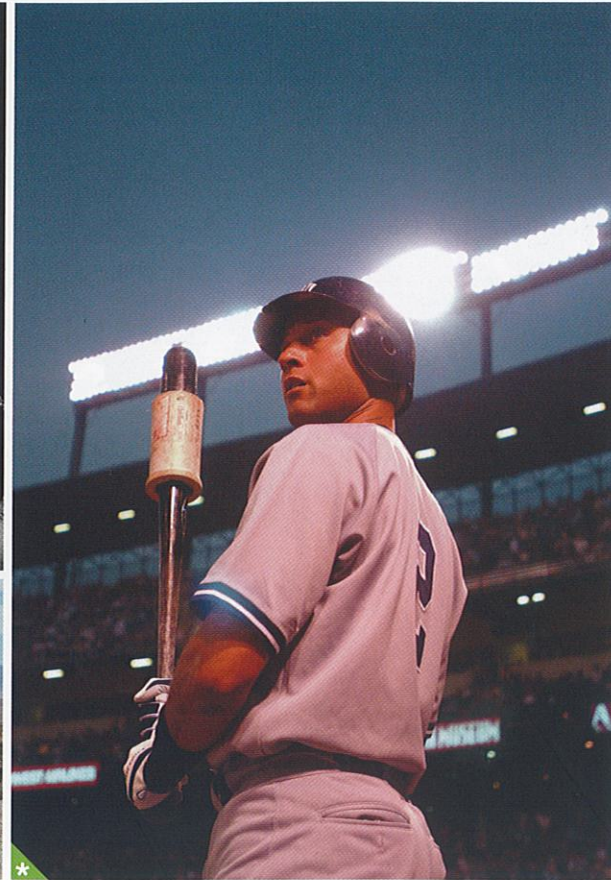
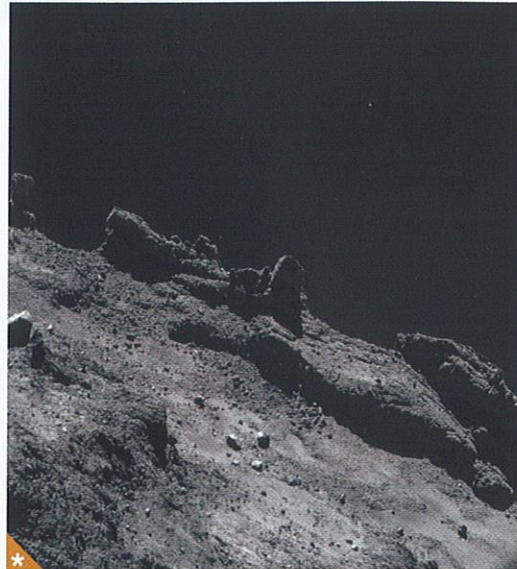
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★ A spacecraft launched by the European Space Agency 10 years ago successfully landed a robotic probe on the surface of a comet. The probe, named the Philae, immediately sent back pictures and was expected to monitor the comet for four to five months.

★ SpaceShipTwo, one of the planes for Virgin Galactic's new space tourism company, crashed in the Mojave Desert during a test flight. One of the plane's two pilots was killed, and the company's test flight program was set back several months.

★ After 20 seasons, New York Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter retired. The 14-time All Star finished his career as the Yankees' leader in hits and games played. His final total of 3,465 hits was the most ever by a shortstop.



★ Lava from the Kilauea volcano on the big island of Hawaii destroyed a house in November, five months after the lava flow began. No one was injured. Residents had been on alert to evacuate since June, and were moving possessions out of their homes to protect them.

★ The National Football League began working with NO MORE, a national anti-domestic violence awareness campaign, after some incidents involving players came to light. One of those involved Baltimore Ravens running back Ray Rice, who was suspended by the NFL.



★ Fans flocked to see "The Hunger Games: Mockingjay – Part 1" around the holidays. The first of two movies scheduled to be made based on the final book in "The Hunger Games" series drew rave reviews.

★ Devoted Harry Potter fans received a special treat when author J.K. Rowling published six new short stories on the Pottermore website that provided a whole new round of backstory on the Potter world.



★ iPhone sales surpassed 500 million devices as Apple released the iPhone 6 and 6 Plus. The newest iPhones came with the largest screen size to date and an improved camera.



most popular video games

- "Titanfall"
- "Call of Duty: Advanced Warfare"
- "Madden NFL 2015"
- "Destiny"
- "Grand Theft Auto V"
- "Minecraft"
- "NBA 2K14"
- "The Lego Movie Videogame"
- "Battlefield 4"

Sources: CNBC, playstationlifestyle.net



★ On the strength of her 70-mph fastball, 13-year old Mo'ne Davis became the first girl to pitch a shutout and get a win in the Little League World Series. The Associated Press named Davis, who also plays basketball and soccer for her school in Philadelphia, the Female Athlete of the Year.

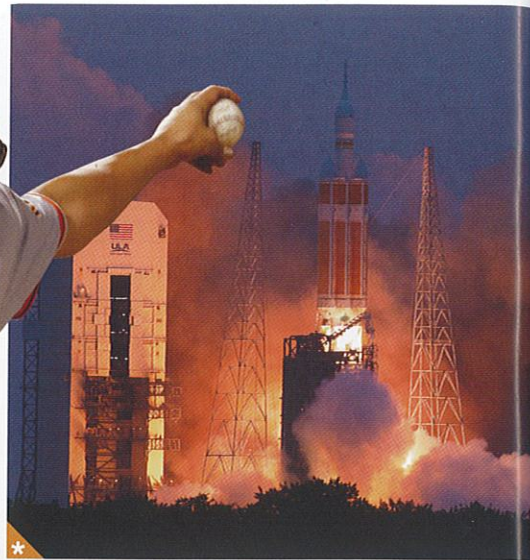
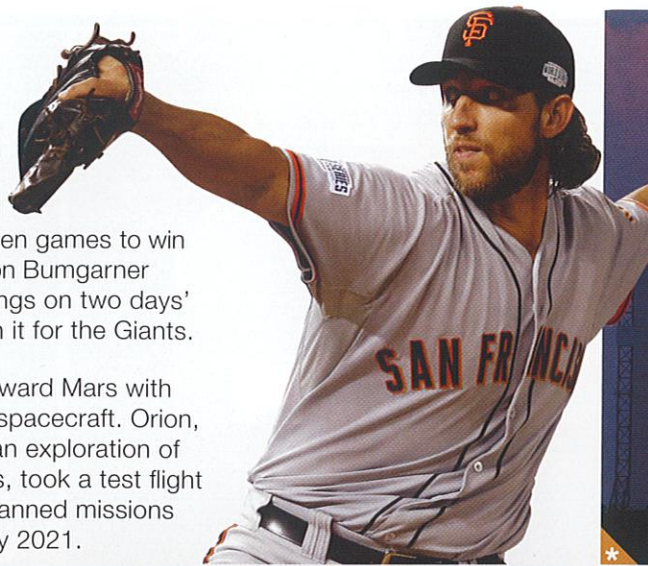
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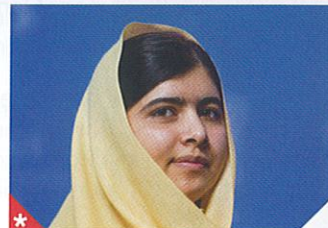
★ In an unexpected matchup of two wild card teams, the San Francisco Giants defeated the Kansas City Royals in seven games to win the 2014 World Series. Madison Bumgarner pitched five shutout relief innings on two days' rest in the final game to clinch it for the Giants.

★ NASA took its first steps toward Mars with the initial launch of the Orion spacecraft. Orion, which was designed for human exploration of the moon, asteroids and Mars, took a test flight in December. It was hoped manned missions with Orion could take place by 2021.



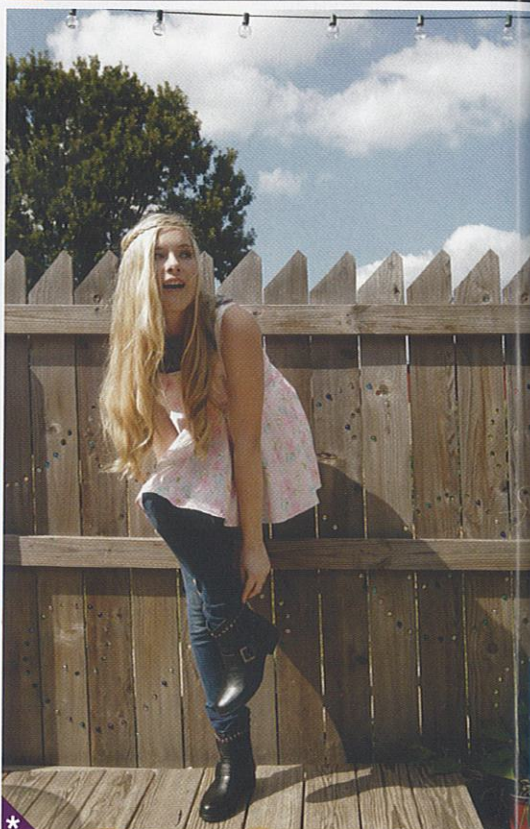
★ The latest hit movie from the Marvel universe, "Guardians of the Galaxy," earned more than \$330 million at the box office and introduced a new group of misfit superhero space characters out to save the world.

★ Malala Yousafzai, 17, of Pakistan, received the Nobel Peace Prize for her work supporting the education of women in her country. Kailash Satyarthi of India also received the Peace Prize for his work in freeing children from forced labor. Both went about their work at great risk to their lives.

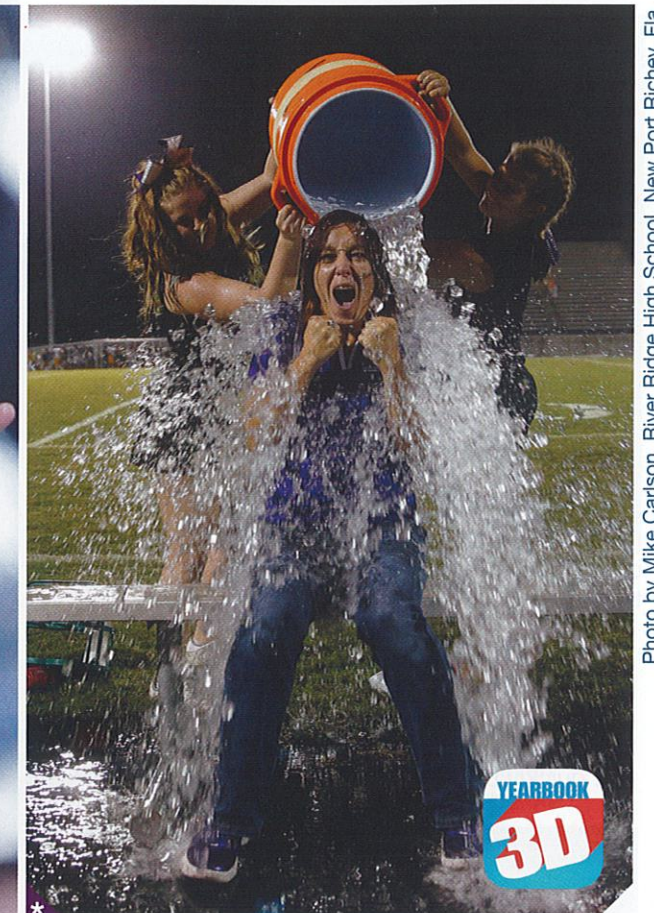


★ Teen girls were wearing dresses inches above the knee, jeans, leggings and jeggings with baby doll tops and even laced combat boots. Scarves and fringe were among the accents. Layered looks remained in style for both guys and girls. Guys were sporting jogger pants with elastic cuffs and jeans with or without rolled cuffs.

★ The Ohio State Buckeyes won the first ever College Football Playoff, defeating the Oregon Ducks, 42-20, in the national championship game. Third-string quarterback Cardale Jones led the way for the Buckeyes in the final three games, after Ohio State's top two quarterbacks went out with injuries.



★ Taylor Swift released her newest album, "1989," and it sold more than a million copies in the first week, which made Swift the first artist to ever have three straight albums accomplish that feat. The first single, "Shake It Off," was the number one pop song for more than a month.



★ A campaign to raise awareness for ALS called the Ice Bucket Challenge went viral across social media, with participants filming buckets of ice water being dumped over their heads, pledging donations, and then challenging others to do the same. The ALS Association estimated more than \$100 million was donated to its cause.

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teen choice awards winners

- ★ Choice Comedian: Kevin Hart
- Choice Reality Show: "The Voice"
- Choice Rock Group: Imagine Dragons
- Choice R&b/Hip-Hop Artist: Iggy Azalea
- Choice Drama TV Show: "Pretty Little Liars"
- Choice Movie (Drama): "The Fault in our Stars"

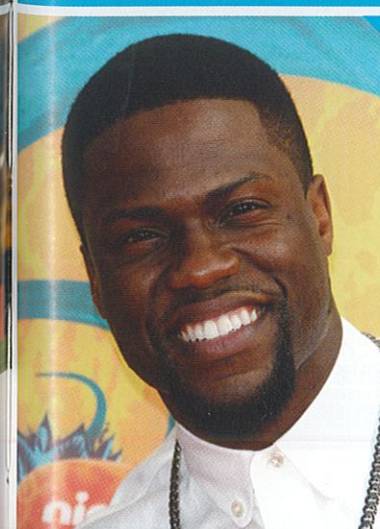


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★ President Barack Obama issued an executive order offering millions of illegal immigrants the chance to apply to stay in the U.S. temporarily if they have lived in the U.S. more than five years, have children and pass a criminal background check. Questions were raised about Obama's use of executive action versus working to get an immigration bill through Congress.

★ The nominees for Best Picture at the Oscars included "Boyhood," a coming-of-age film that was shot over the course of 12 years and showed a young boy and his sister growing up through their school years. Other nominees included "American Sniper," "Birdman," "The Imitation Game," and "Selma."

★ Ridesharing service Uber expanded to more than 200 cities. Smartphone users were able to arrange rides via the Uber app. However in many cities taxi drivers protested Uber, claiming they were avoiding the fees and restrictions taxi companies face.

★ In his first year as host, comedian Jimmy Fallon helped boost the ratings of "The Tonight Show" for the first time in years. Fallon introduced the traditional late-night show to younger viewers with comedy bits that quickly became viral video sensations.

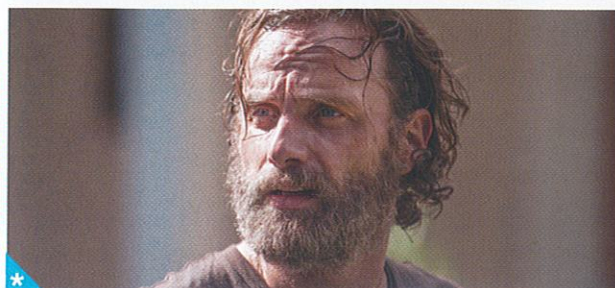
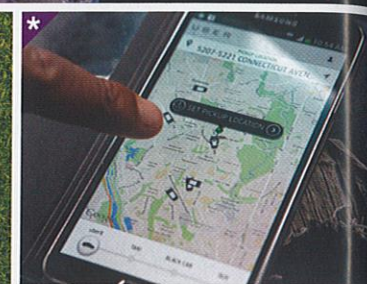
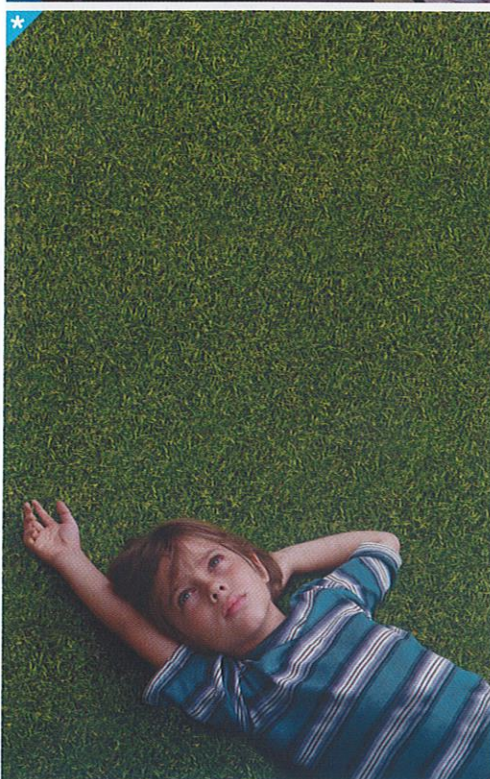


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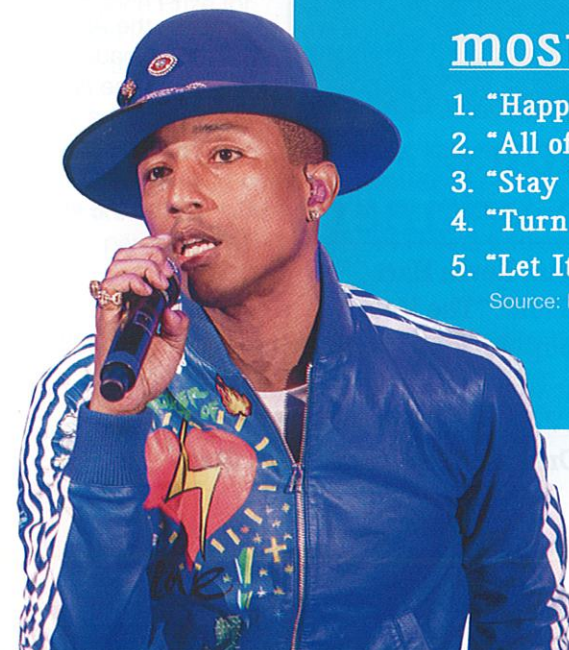
★ AMC's zombie drama "The Walking Dead" continued to gain viewers. The show's season 5 premiere was watched by more than 17 million people, making it the most-watched episode in cable TV history.

★ Not many had a better year than Pharrell Williams. The singer, songwriter and producer earned six Grammy nominations, including Album of the Year for his latest album, *Girl*. Plus, Williams' song "Happy" was a number one hit.

most popular songs

1. "Happy" - Pharrell Williams
2. "All of Me" - John Legend
3. "Stay With Me" - Sam Smith
4. "Turn Down For What" - DJ Snake and Lil Jon
5. "Let It Go" - Idina Menzel

Source: Facebook



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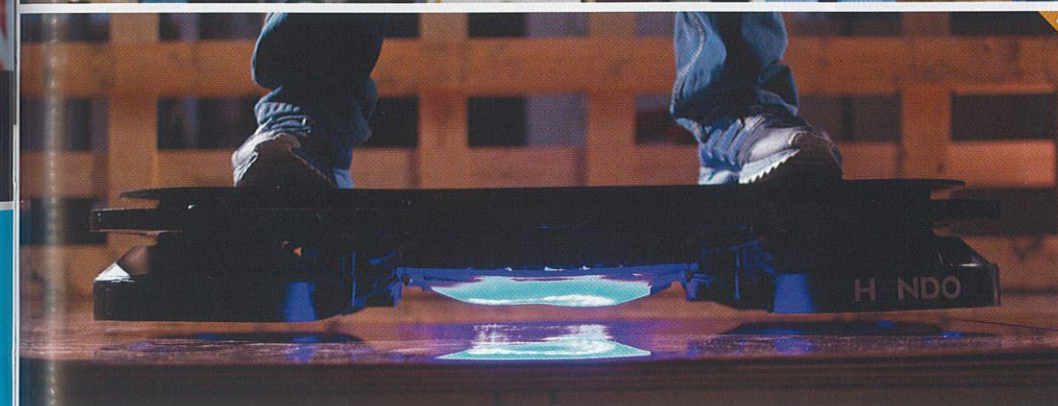


athletes with most twitter followers (U.S.)

1. LeBron James
16.6 million
2. Shaquille O'Neal
9 million
3. John Cena
6.6 million
4. Kobe Bryant
5.8 million
5. Carmelo Anthony
5.7 million

Source: Twitter

★ NBA superstar LeBron James shocked many by choosing to return to his hometown team, the Cleveland Cavaliers, after becoming a free agent. James began his career with seven seasons in Cleveland, before leaving to lead the Miami Heat to two NBA titles in four years.



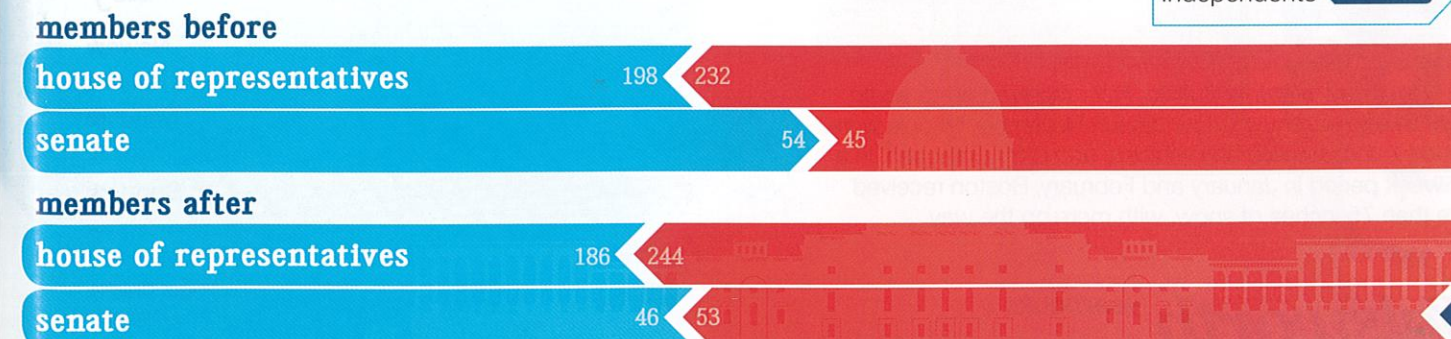
★ California architect Greg Henderson invented a prototype hoverboard. The "Hendo" hoverboard glides just a few inches above metal surfaces using four engines that emit magnetic fields and push against each other.

★ Republicans gained control of the House and Senate in the midterm elections. Issues before Congress could include the Keystone XL pipeline, immigration and health care.

*midterm congressional election results

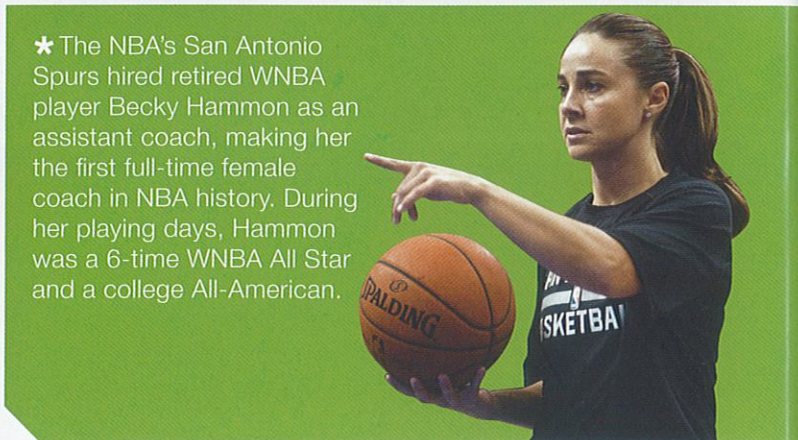
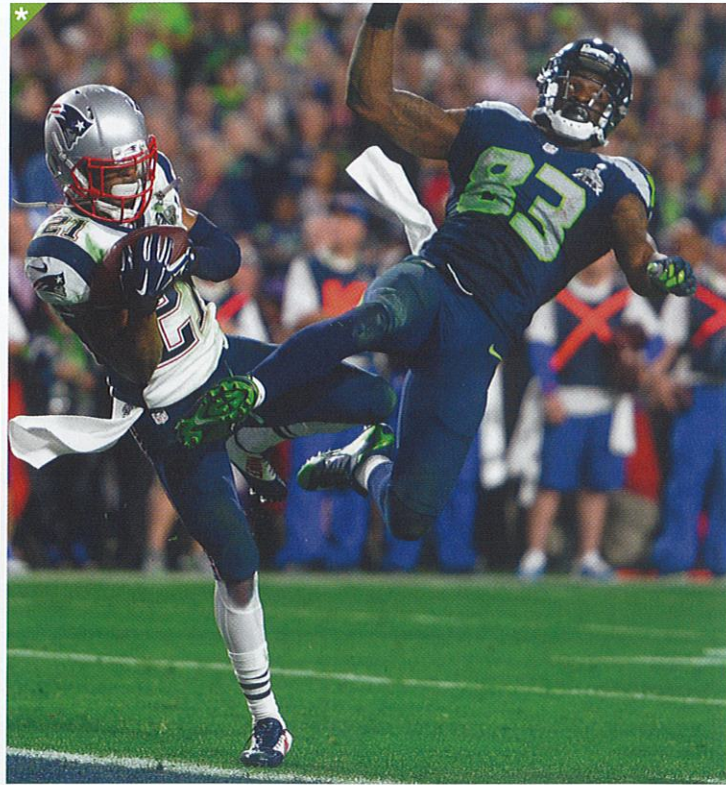
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★ The New England Patriots won Super Bowl XLIX, 28-24, over the Seattle Seahawks in dramatic fashion when rookie Malcolm Butler intercepted a pass in the end zone with 26 seconds left. Seattle's decision to call for a pass rather than run with the ball on the 1-yard line was questioned by many.

★ Health officials struggled to contain the Ebola epidemic, which began in West Africa. A few cases were treated in the U.S. Of those, two people died, but among the survivors was Nina Pham, a nurse who caught Ebola while treating a patient with the disease.



★ The NBA's San Antonio Spurs hired retired WNBA player Becky Hammon as an assistant coach, making her the first full-time female coach in NBA history. During her playing days, Hammon was a 6-time WNBA All Star and a college All-American.



★ In November, areas of Buffalo, N.Y., received up to seven feet of lake-effect snow in four days in November. People were trapped in their houses and vehicles, and roofs collapsed. In a two-week period in January and February, Boston received more than 75 inches of snow, with more on the way.

★ NASCAR driver Kevin Harvick won the first Sprint Cup championship of his career at the final race of the season in Homestead, Fla. Harvick clinched it by holding off Ryan Newman in a three-lap dash to the finish.

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