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# Classic

Like sleek cars, timeless literature, and rock and roll you can feel in your soul, a classic is defined as something that is judged over a period of time to be of the highest quality and outstanding of its kind.

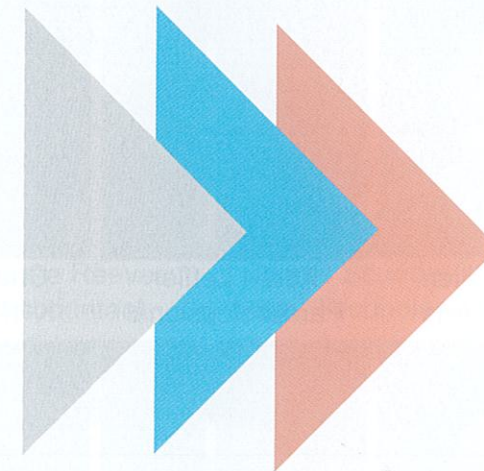
Yet, even a classic starts with something new, something different. A school year is the same way. It begins each fall with new schedules, new challenges and new opportunities.

Students walking back into the building in August were greeted with changes. The high school had many new building improvements and updates, including a new exterior look, with stand-out orange lettering on the east side of the gym building that reads "Home of the Tigers."

The first day of school is always the same--the meeting in the gym, listening to the rules, going to class meetings, going to the first day of class and meeting the teachers. In many ways, though, it is a fresh start, a new beginning. It is the opportunity to make something outstanding.

Throughout the year, there were moments of growth and development. Clubs reached out to help others. Student Council hosted new events and tried out new ideas. The Junior High Academic team had an undefeated season; the band earned a superior rating at contest; athletes received awards. Teachers challenged students in the classrooms and students excelled.

This 69th volume of the *Eximius* captures the classic moments and events of the year. They include lessons in the classroom, plays on the court and field, performances and presentations, field trips and projects, and memories made that will all stand out over time.



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# FACULTY AND STAFF



Many of our teachers have multiple talents and more than one job. Mrs. Grissom owns a counseling service, Mr. Killen makes and sells wood crafts and furniture, Mr. Carpenter hires out his mechanic skills, and Mr. Scudder is a farmer in his free time. If Mr. McHenry ever took on a side job, it would be in modeling.



Faculty and staff support their favorite teams for Red Ribbon week.



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Superintendent



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K-12 Principal



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Art



Daniel Carpenter  
Paraprofessional



Debbie Dore  
Paraprofessional



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Custodian



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Guidance



Karla Hettinger  
Secretary



Barb Hicks  
Paraprofessional



Michael Killen  
Industrial Arts



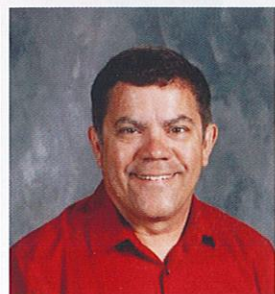
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Custodian



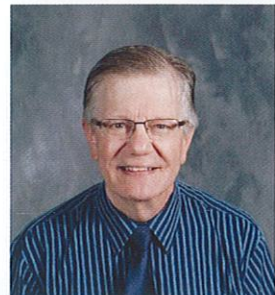
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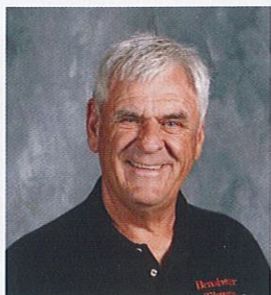
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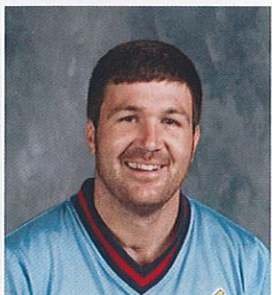
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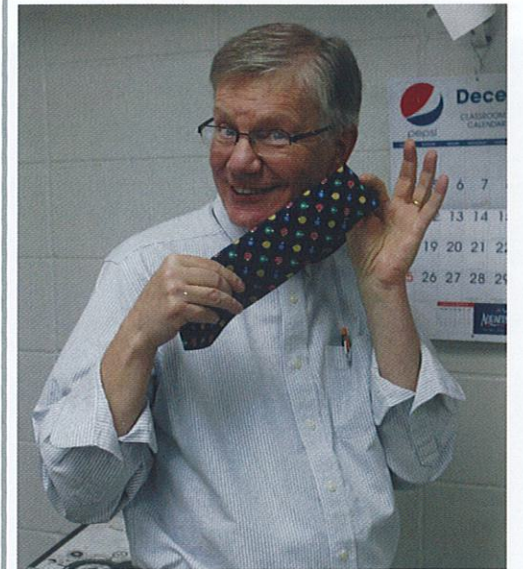
Sheri Turner  
Nurse



Tammy Wolter  
Language Arts,  
Librarian



Tonya Wood  
Special Education



Disappointed that Christmas only comes once a year, Dr. Rearick began wearing a Christmas tie every Friday. "I got it for Christmas," Dr. Rearick explained, "and it's one of the nicest ties I own. It seemed a shame to wear it only once."



Cooks Darlene Withrow, Cathy March and Lisa Peterson work in the kitchen. In her typical joking way, Cathy said, "My back side is my better side," and didn't think it necessary to turn around for the picture.

Not Pictured:  
Bus Drivers: Gary Clark,  
Lajeana Coin  
Speech and Language  
Pathologist: Lisa Buck



The preschool students look forward to their work stations. At their stations, they can play with puzzles, build with blocks, or practice writing numbers and drawing shapes on white boards.



Mrs. Toni Tuggle



Bryce Borgmeyer



Jacob Keller



Taelon Kugler



Nashellie Weaver



Isiah Weibrecht



Mrs. Tuggle reads to the Busy Bees every day. The students loved to take turns going to the bookshelf and picking out a book for Mrs. Tuggle to read to them. They especially liked *Little Monsters* and all the books by Eric Carle.



Brayton Harsell colors a page during work time.

# BUSY BEES



The students practice writing their letters, numbers and drawing shapes in shaving cream.



The Busy Bees dress up in green for St. Patrick's Day. They enjoyed making Leprechaun traps. The leprechaun escaped their traps but left St. Patrick's Day-themed snacks for the class to enjoy.



Back Row: Bryce Borgmeyer, Nashellie Weaver, Isiah Weibrecht, Wyatt Claybrook, Jacob Keller, Brayton Harsell  
Front Row: Paisley Kelly, Peyton Myers, Samantha Spangler, Tucker Hettinger



Mrs. Tuggle helps Bryce Borgmeyer count the apples in the basket.



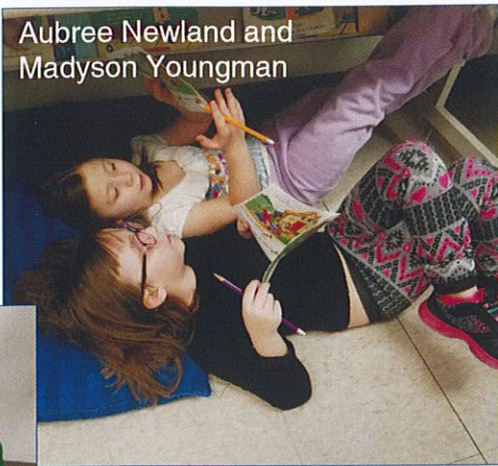
Tucker Hettinger reads a picture book about owls.



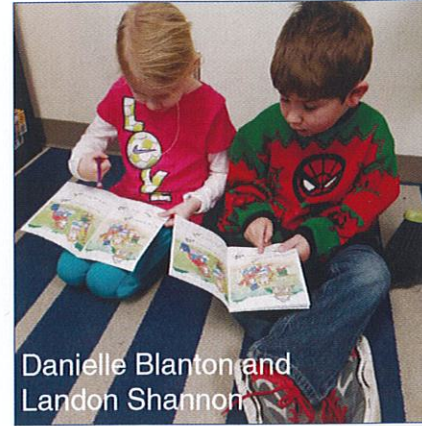
Jacob Keller works on cutting and gluing.

# KINDERGARTEN

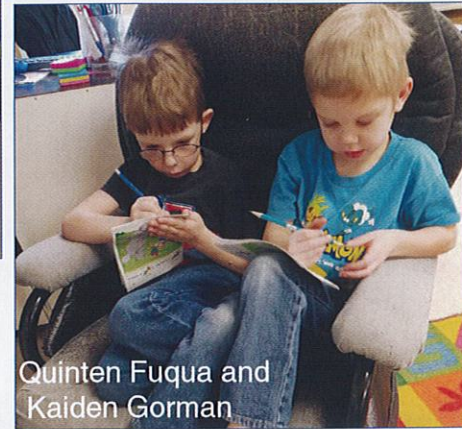
Aubree Newland and Madyson Youngman



Classmates pair up and find their own space for partner reading.



Danielle Blanton and Landon Shannon



Quinten Fuqua and Kaiden Gorman



Miss Justine Bane



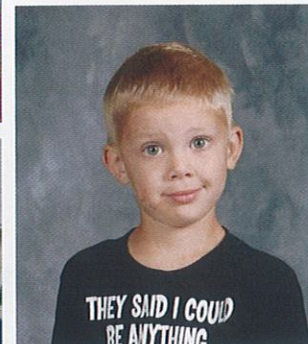
Danielle Blanton



Coleman Darnel



Quinten Fuqua



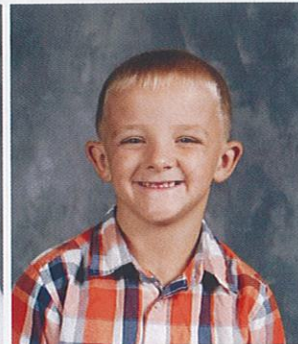
Kaiden Gorman



Madison Howard



Aubree Newland



Korwin Norton



Landon Shannon



Kaidyn Vargas



Zannie Woods



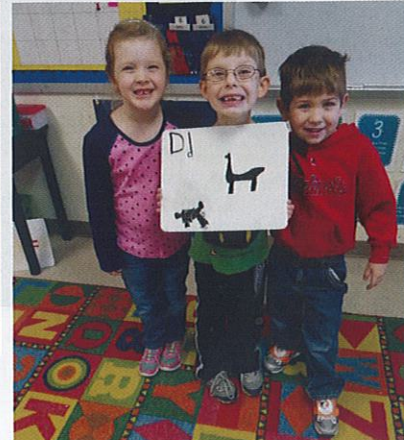
Madyson Youngman



The Kindergarten class celebrated Thanksgiving in the traditional way, with a feast! The students enjoyed their meal in their classroom while wearing paper Pilgrim and Native American head bands. They also invited their friends, the Busy Bees class, to join their feast. Pictured above: Kaidyn Vargas and Kaiden Gorman



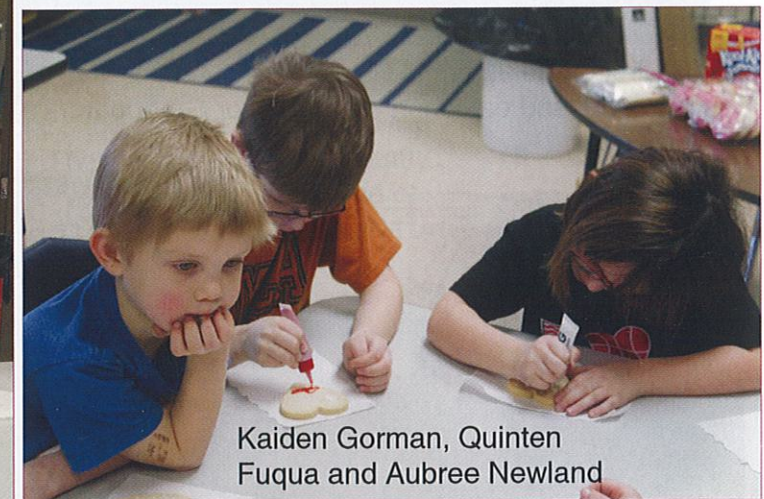
Coleman Darnel, Korwin Norton, Landon Shannon and Madison Howard work with numbers and counting blocks.



Madison Howard, Quinten Fuqua and Landon Shannon display their artwork for the letter "D".



For Valentine's Day, the kindergarten students decorate sugar cookies with icing. Pictured above: Coleman Darnel and Korwin Norton Pictured left: Madison Howard and Landon Shannon



Kaiden Gorman, Quinten Fuqua and Aubree Newland



During the Halloween party, the class raced to wrap Miss Bane with toilet paper. They had assistance from Kameron McGinnis and Mechelia Potter.





Isabella Ambrosia, Isaac Weibrecht and Emily Youngman practice their money counting skills while playing Monopoly.



Mrs. Lisa Fisher



Isabella Ambrosia



Isaac Weibrecht



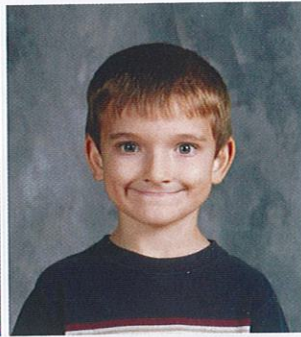
Emily Youngman



During the celebration of Dr. Seuss's birthday, Mrs. Nelson led the first graders in recreating Mount Crumpet, from *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*. When it was finished, they measured their construction to see how tall it was.



Payton Bowen



Zain Cornelison

# 1ST GRADE



The first grade students invited family members to visit their classroom and eat lunch with them for Grandparent's Day in September.



Cade Erwin



Taygon Gorman



Gus Noe shares his Bare Book with an audience during Author Night.

The first grade class took a field trip to Kirksville on Friday, May 5. They visited the Adair County Public Library, the Northeast Regional office of the Missouri Department of Conservation and the Kirksville Regional Airport.



Allsyn Grgurich



Kaden Hettinger



Emily Youngman, Cade Erwin and Isabella Ambrosia learn about magnets by testing what surfaces their magnetic erasers will stick to around the room.



Gus Noe



Ann Sizemore



The first graders wear class shirts that say "So long 1st Grade, it's been fun! Look Out 2nd Grade, here I come" to celebrate the end of the year. They wore the shirts on their field trip and on field day.



Cade Erwin and Allsyn Grgurich read a story together in their first-grade readers.



As a game for the Valentine's Day party, students struggle to unwrap a Hershey's Kiss while wearing a pair of mittens. The students were divided into teams, and in relay-race fashion, after one person finished unwrapping, the mittens were passed to the next person in line. Pictured above are Weston Darnel, Brynn Vogel, Taylor Houghton, Emma Newland, Brooklyn Holt and Makayla Dale.



Ms. Joanne Kincaid



Heidi Claybrook



Makayla Dale



Weston Darnel



Nevaeh Fuqua



Brooklyn Holt



Taylor Houghton



Kheegan Moots



Emma Newland



Cadence Powell



Brynn Vogel

## 2ND GRADE



Brynn Vogel feeds the hamster, one of the classroom pets. The students took turns feeding the animals.



Crazy Sock Day



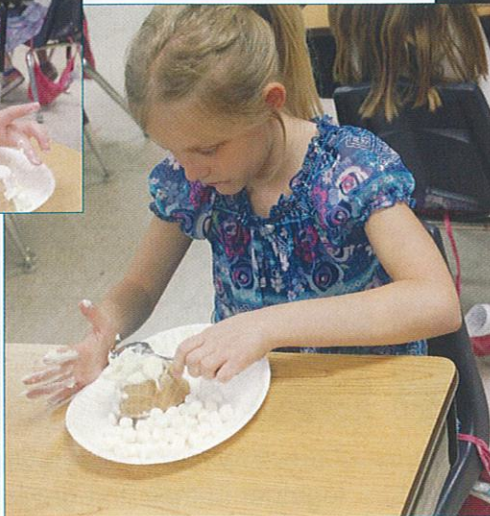
Brooklyn Holt displays her Christmas present. Because of snow days, the class celebrated Christmas in January, after Christmas Break.



As part of their Native Americans unit, students made edible models of Native American dwellings. The igloos were made of waffle bowls, white icing and mini marshmallows. Pictured are Brooklyn Holt, Emma Newland, Heidi Claybrook and Taylor Houghton.



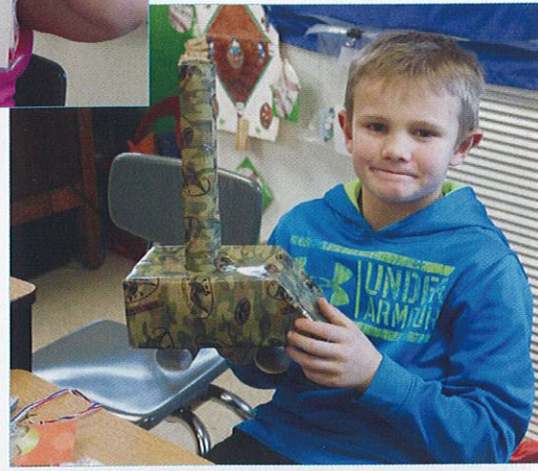
Students work on assignments in the classroom. Pictured are Kheegan Moots, Heidi Claybrook, Weston Darnel, Nevaeh Fuqua and Cadence Powell.



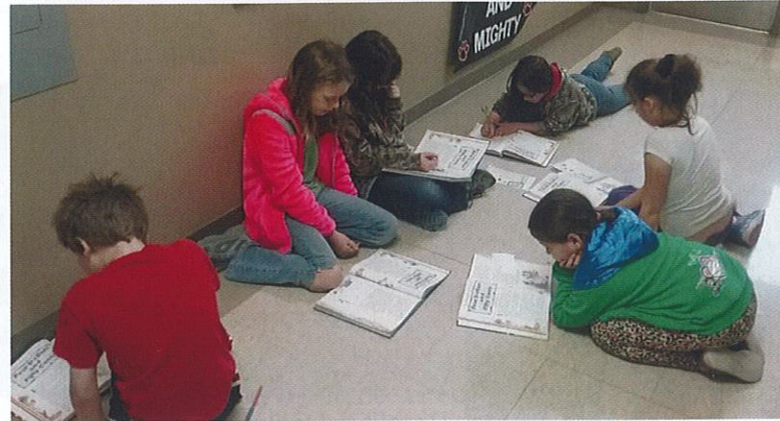




Piper Magruder displays her homemade Valentine's Day box and some of the Valentines she received from her classmates.



Cole Erwin made his Valentine's Day box into a tank. Cole said, "I just like tanks." He added, "I got lots of good candy."



Students use the hallways for floor space as they read and look for compound words in their story.



Maddie Moots, Bobbianne Magruder, Jacob Love and Noah Shannon created a motivational poster for MAP Testing.



Mrs. Amanda Borgmeyer



Hali Claybrook



Bailee Crandall



Cole Erwin



Caleb Grissom



Brayton Henrichs



Jayden Kugler



Heidi Lay



Aiden Loper



Jacob Love



Bobbianne Magruder



Piper Magruder



Madison Moots



Noah Shannon



Amy Sizemore



Caden Taylor



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Shelbi Weaver

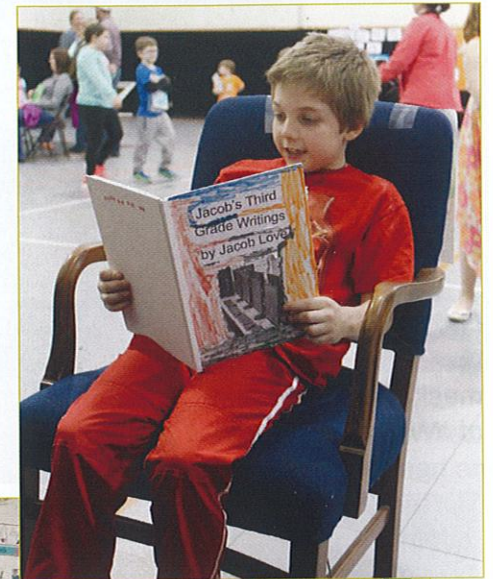


Cynthiana Zahn

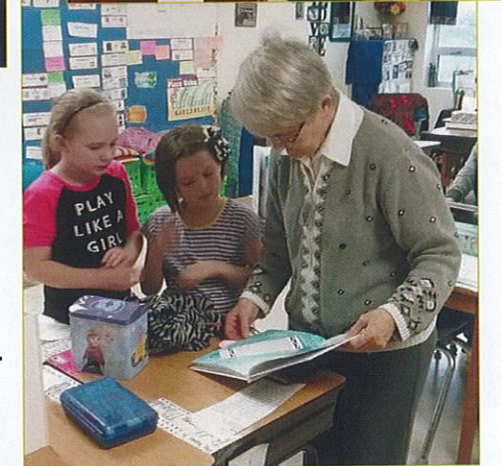


For a science experiment, students watch gases expand to blow up balloons.

# 3RD GRADE



Maddie Moots and Jacob Love read their books to the audience in the gym during Author Night, and Callie Althide watches as Bobbianne Magruder shares her book with her grandma, Mary Magruder.



# 4TH GRADE



Drew Magruder, Jacob Snyder, Jayden Cima and Riley Whitlow wear their Ninja Turtle masks that were part of a Valentine handout.



Andi Shaw and her classmates work on a project in class.



At Author Night, Lana Vansickle reads to her classmates and guests. Students took turns at stations around the elementary. The stations were called "bases," correlating with the sports theme for The Leader in Me.



Mrs. Tammy Whitlow



Cassidy Althide



Jayden Cima



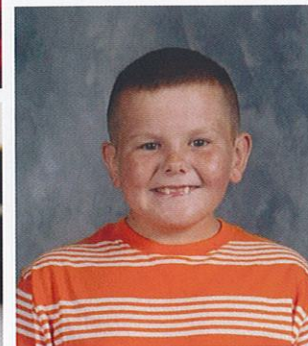
Macy Darnel



Tayla Garlock



Macie Hocker



Cory Holcomb



Andrew Magruder



Andrea Shaw



Alexander Sizemore



Jacob Snyder



Paige Stutsman



Lana Vansickle



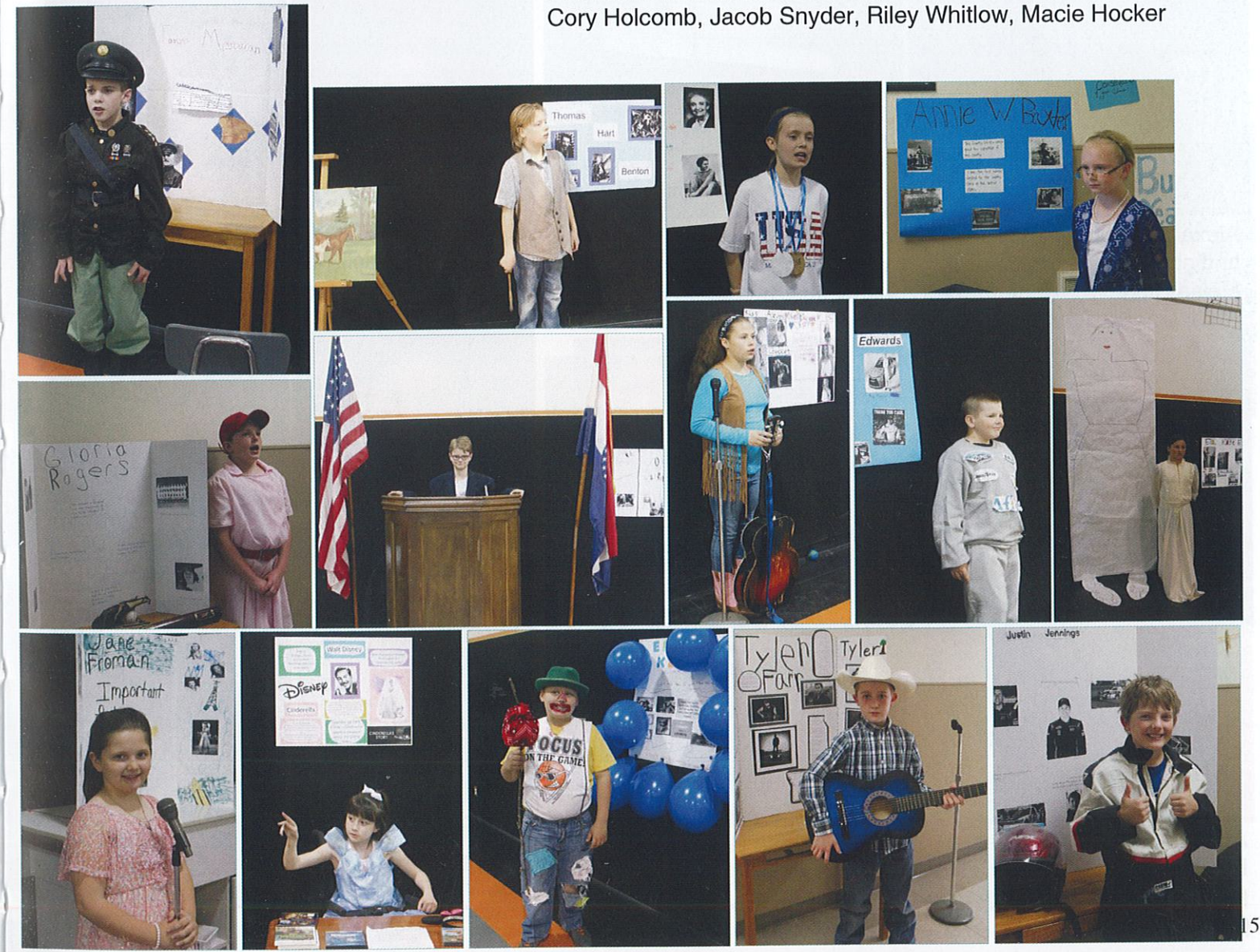
Riley Whitlow

Not Pictured: Shalee Zuccarini



Missouri is home to famous military and governmental leaders, entertainers, artists and athletes. For the Famous Missourians Wax Museum, fourth grade students researched a famous Missourian and made a display board. They dressed in character and recited a speech about the background and accomplishments of the famous Missourian.

Back row: Andi Shaw, Shalee Zuccarini, Paige Stutsman, Jayden Cima, Tayla Garlock, Macy Darnel, Cassidy Althide  
Front row: Alexander Sizemore, Lana Vansickle, Drew Magruder, Cory Holcomb, Jacob Snyder, Riley Whitlow, Macie Hocker



# 5TH GRADE



The fifth grade class participated in Reading Week by wearing the apparel of their favorite teams. Some students supported their own home team, the Brashear Tigers, along with Mizzou, the Denver Broncos, the Pittsburgh Steelers and the St. Louis Cardinals.



Alexa and Aubrey Livingston perform keyboard solos for the band and choir Concert in the Park. The theme of the concert was Movie Night. Alexa performed "Beauty and the Beast" and Aubrey performed "Colors of the Wind."



A game of chess is a spectator sport as Ashton Ray, Carson Erwin and Rhett Whitlow watch Jack Reeves and Jacob Holcomb make their moves.



Miss Chelsea Clark



Reece Allen



Carson Erwin



Lacey Fisher



Lane Grgurich



Jacob Holcomb



Alexa Livingston



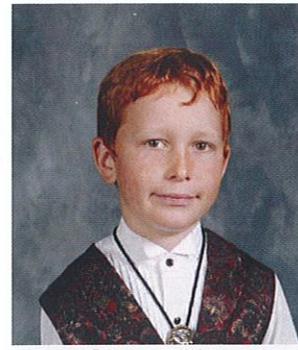
Aubrey Livingston



Gunner Lonberger



Max Montgomery



Clancy Noe



Ethan Powell



Ashton Ray



Jack Reeves



Alexis Sanchez



Tenlee Shaw



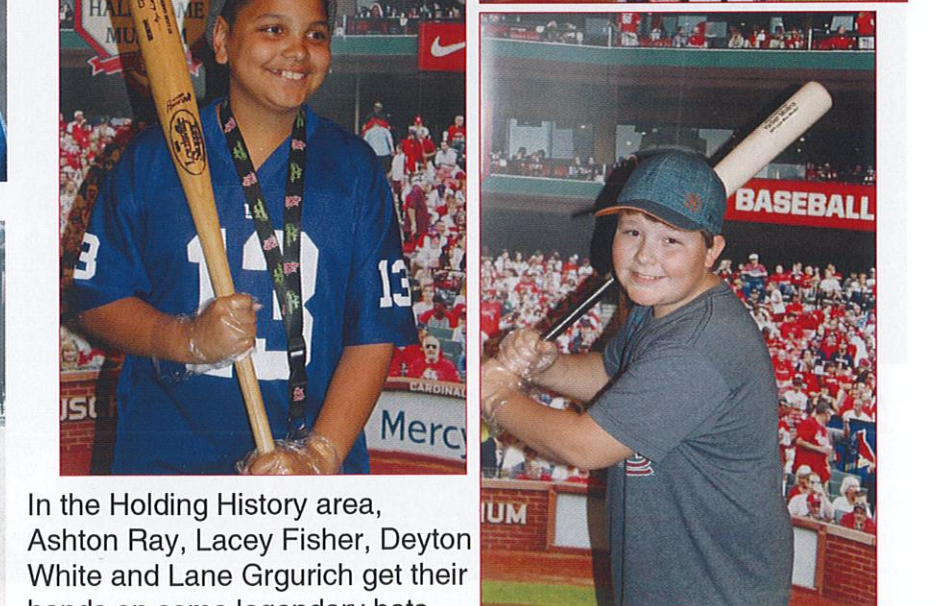
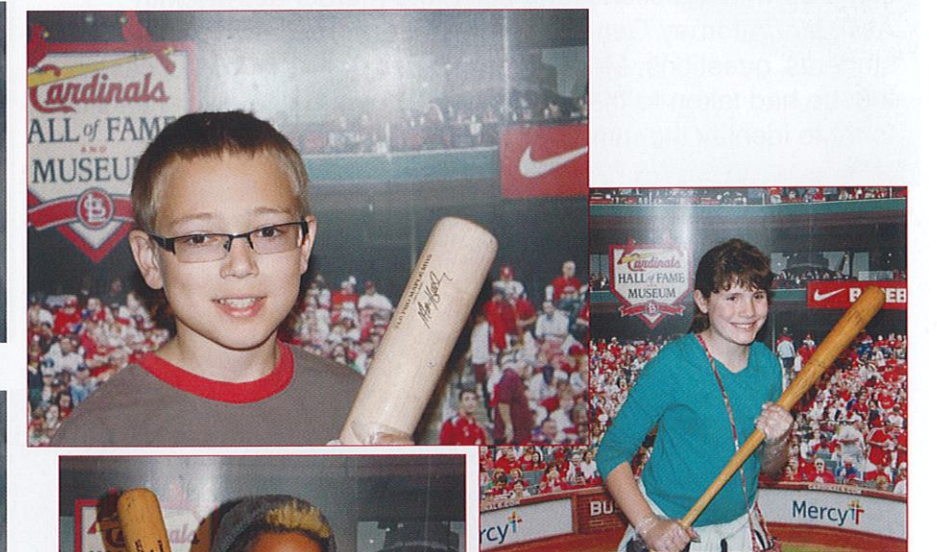
Deyton White



Rhett Whitlow



The 5th grade class attended a St. Louis Cardinals game and visited the Cardinals Hall of Fame and Museum on March 24. They sold raffle tickets as a class to raise money for the trip.



In the Holding History area, Ashton Ray, Lacey Fisher, Deyton White and Lane Grgurich get their hands on some legendary bats that were used by Cardinal greats.

# 6TH GRADE



In the library, the fifth and sixth grade classes work in groups to come up with questions for a solve-the-murder activity with Assistant Attorney General Monty Platz. In response to the students' questions, Mr. Platz presented details of actual cases that he had taken to trial. The students had to use critical thinking to try to identify the murderer and the motive.



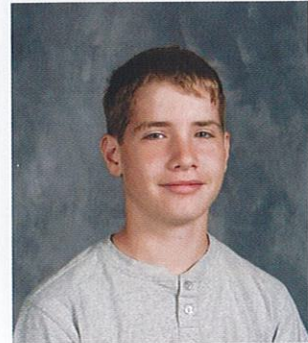
Avery Zentz and Landon Fisher perform the Mary Poppins classic, "Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious" for the Concert in the Park.



Mrs. Anna Nelson



Mackenzie Baker



Landon Fisher



Logan Grgurich



Emma Harsell



McKenna Hartwig



Alex Houghton



Lucas Keller



Ethan Mason



Kolbi Mason



Wesley McGinnis



Haley McNamar



Aden Shahan



Anthony Shaw



Jeryn Weaver



Aiden Withrow



Avery Zentz



Each year the 6th grade class creates a mini-society. In this society, all students come up with their own businesses and have to create a product to sell to earn money.



For Dr. Seuss Day, students make red fish and blue fish out of pieces of construction paper and glue.

## 6th Grade Promotion

The class sang two songs for the graduation, "May We All" and "The River."



Standing: Haley McNamar, Kolbi Mason, Aden Shahan, Avery Zentz, Landon Fisher, Lucas Keller, Mackenzie Baker, Emma Harsell, McKenna Hartwig, Aiden Withrow, Mrs. Anna Nelson  
Kneeling: Jeryn Weaver, Anthony Shaw, Ethan Mason, Alex Houghton, Wesley McGinnis



Haley McNamar spoke to her classmates and the audience about elementary memories and friendships.

Aiden Withrow receives his Certificate of Promotion from Mr. Doolin.



Wesley McGinnis plays a trumpet solo, "The Siamese Cat Song" from *Lady and the Tramp*.

# BRIGHT FUTURES

Pointing out how the class has grown and changed through their elementary years, Kolbi Mason recalled the first days of kindergarten. She spoke of being scared to begin school, then growing to like it. She also spoke about friendships that have grown over the years, and expressed her hopes that junior high would be just as good.



# ELEMENTARY ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS



Wesley McGinnis, Avery Zentz and Landon Fisher

The 6th grade Academic Team won 2nd place in the Knox County Academic Bowl tournament on January 20. The following day, both the 5th and the 6th grade teams competed again in a tournament at Scotland County.

At the Scotland County tournament  
Back row: Coach Joanne Kincaid, Landon Fisher, Aden Shahan, Avery Zentz, assistant coach Austin Ray  
Front row: Ashton Ray, Lacey Fisher, Wesley McGinnis



Miss O'Dell leads a group of students in singing the national anthem at the opening of Author Night.



During Morning Meeting on May 2, Clancy Noe receives the Focus on Education Award from Orscheln Farm and Home. The \$200 check was presented by Jake Sweet, a Brashear alumnus. Orscheln employees can nominate schools to be entered in a quarterly drawing for the award. Clancy spent a day in March job-shadowing Mr. Sweet, but the award was a surprise to Clancy. The money is to be used in the 5th grade classroom. "I'd like to get a new wiffle ball bat, one that is longer and has a better handle," suggested Clancy. "Or possibly a pet for a class mascot," he added.



## D.A.R.E.

Both 5th and 6th grade classes completed the D.A.R.E. program this spring with Officer Harden from the Kirksville Police Department.

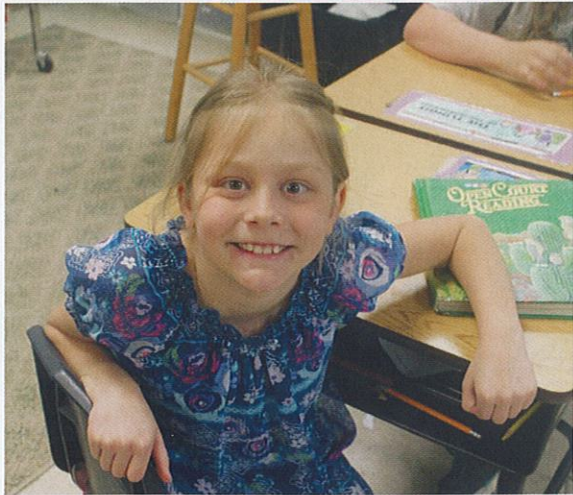
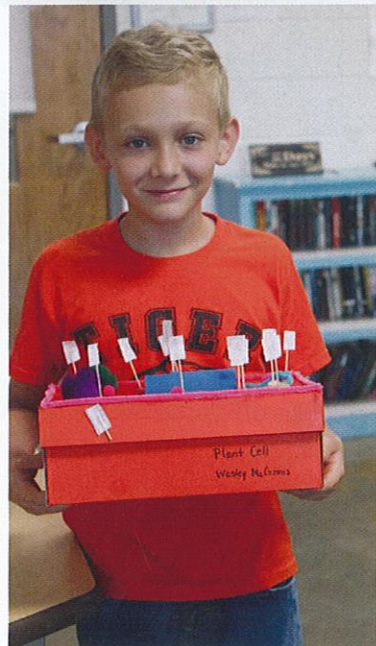
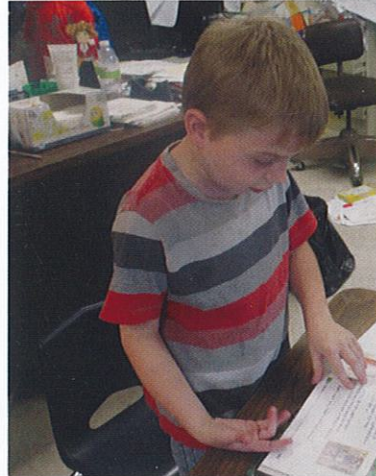
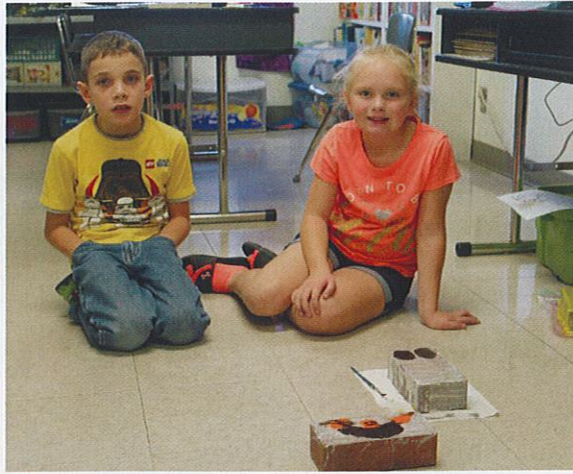


Emma Harsell, 6th grade, and Alexis Sanchez, 5th grade, receive their certificates of completion from Officer Harden.



Students from both classes presented their essays to the audience. Pictured above is Carson Erwin, 5th grade; far left is Aden Shahan, 6th grade; and left is Alexa Livingston, 5th grade.





**ELEMENTARY  
CANDIDS**

...the award was a surprise...  
...white ball bat, one that...  
...musical... the world!

# STUDENT BODY

**Junior High**

**High School**

**Seniors**

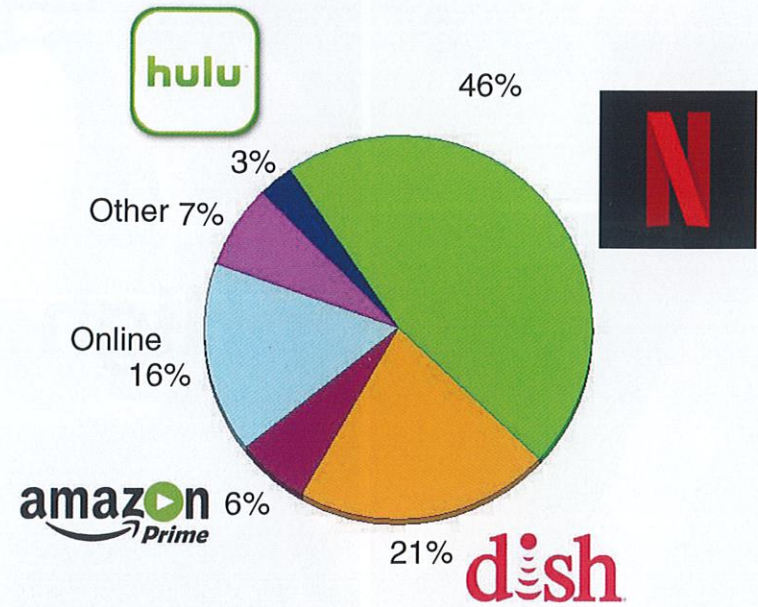
*"Let us pick up our books and pencils.  
They are our most powerful weapon."*

Malala Yousafzai



We asked our students

**How do you watch your favorite TV shows and movies?**

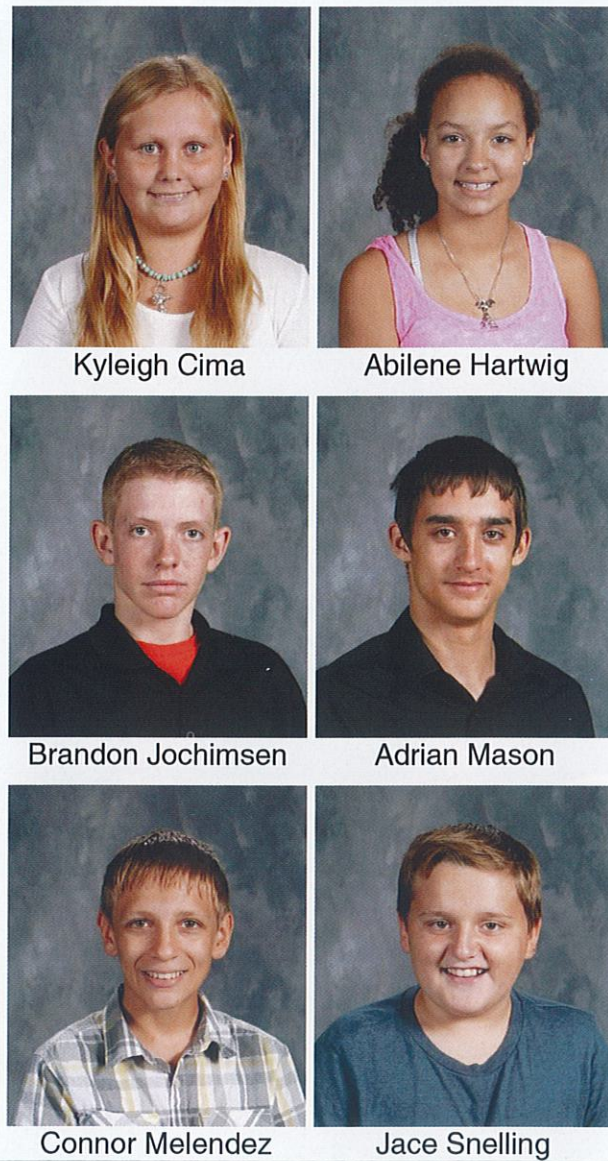


**What do you watch?**

"I watch lots of shows on Netflix, like *Escape from New York*, *NCIS*, and *Power Rangers*. Don't dis *Power Rangers*. It reminds me of good times." *Harley Hayes*

"The most recent series I've been watching on Hulu is *Street Outlaws*. It's about street racing." *Travis Nilson*

"I'm really into *13 Reasons*." *Zoe Blankenship*     *Shameless* *Bailey Monorief*     *Killing Bigfoot* *Zane Sykes*  
*Rick and Morty* *Thomas Dore*     *Flash* *Levi Blankenship*     *Criminal Minds* *Celia Kincaid*



Kyleigh Cima     Abilene Hartwig



Brandon Jochimsen     Adrian Mason



Connor Melendez     Jace Snelling

*River Monsters* *Sebastian Melendez*

**Style it Your Way**

We can all clean up when we have to, but several students at Brashear always look nice or have a unique style.



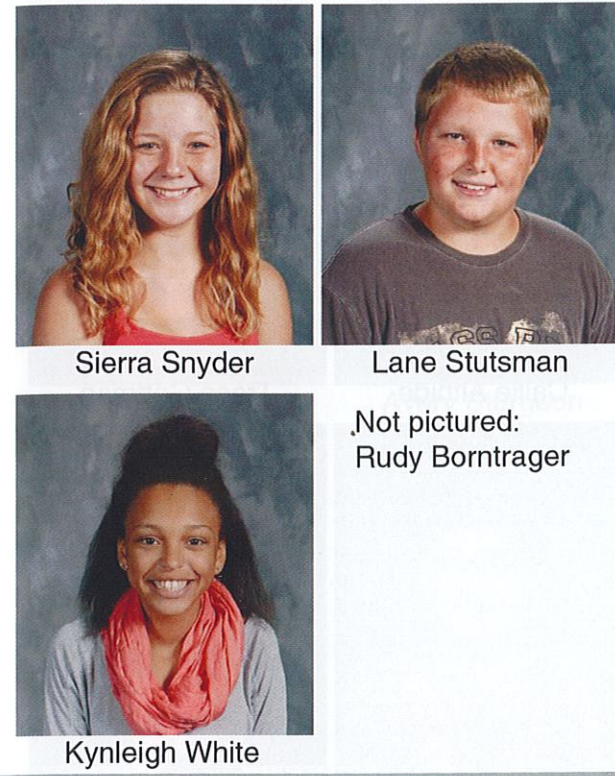
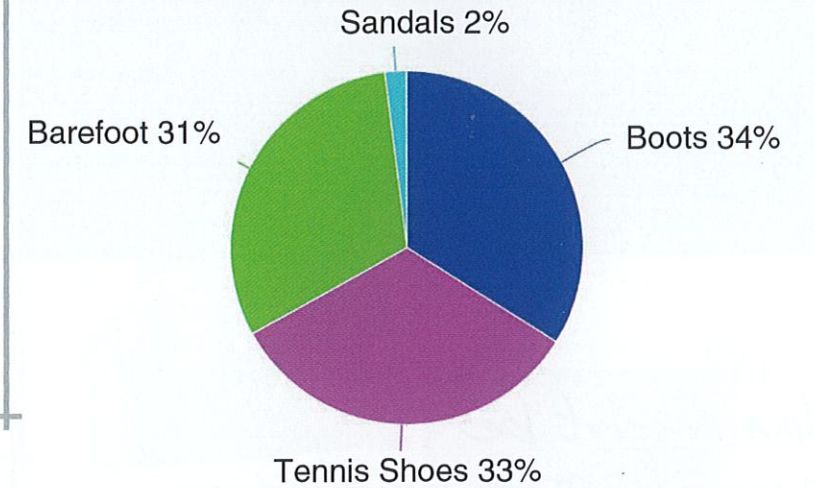
Tyler Watson's trademark look is his fluorescent shirts and orange hoodie. "Don't mess with my hoodie. This hoodie shows that I work," Tyler said.

**Best Dressed:**  
 Hannah Reeves  
 Averi Acton  
 Emily Mason  
 Harli Mihalevich  
 Brhet Place  
 Garrett Housman  
 Colt Acton  
 Ty Bushnell

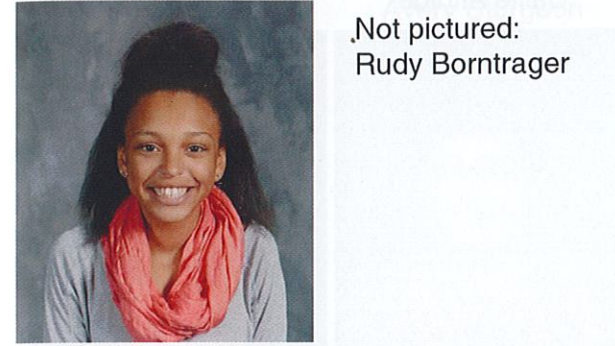


We asked our students

**What's your shoe preference?**



Sierra Snyder     Lane Stutsman



Kynleigh White

Not pictured:  
 Rudy Borntrager





# 8TH GRADE



You might be FROM BRASHEAR...

- If you think camouflage is a primary color
- If the place to be is Willowbend
- If you go to Wal-Mart on a date
- If hunting is your favorite season
- If dirt and sticks were your favorite toys
- If you can dance the Boot Scootin' Boogie to songs other than "Boot Scootin' Boogie"
- If you can count your classmates on two hands
- If the only time your truck gets washed is when it rains
- If you prefer the smell of diesel over air freshener
- If quotes from *Oh Brother, Where Art Thou* can be used in your daily life
- If your mode of transportation to school is a 4-wheeler
- If you wear a short dress to the homecoming dance
- If your idea of a good time is hanging out on a gravel road



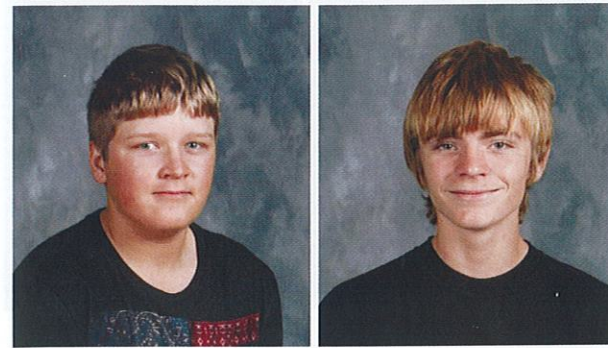
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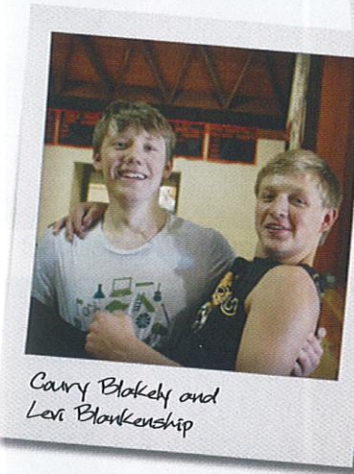
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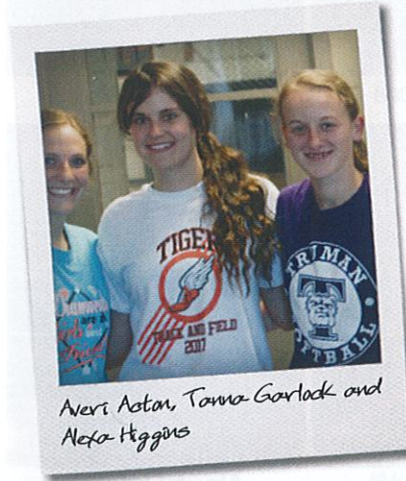
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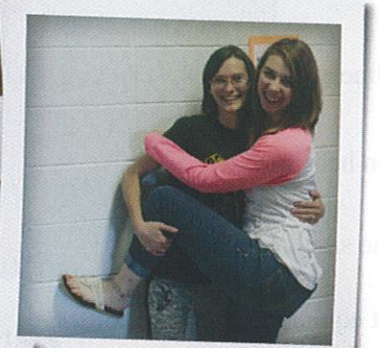
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Wyatt Reeves, Noah Reeves and Thomas Dore



Robbyn Wagster and Skylar Hockell



Sebastian Melendez and Justin Leedom

You're my RIGHT HAND

You're my GO-TO

# 9TH GRADE

## #FarmLife

You have to be from the country to understand

"Lambing season is the same time as basketball season."  
*Mechelia Potter*

"I always smell like cows."  
*Ty Gottman*

"The smell of diesel at 6 o'clock in the morning, breaking ground, and fixing tires late at night."  
*Tyler Watson*

"I just hate it when Farmers Only is down."  
*Harley Hayes*

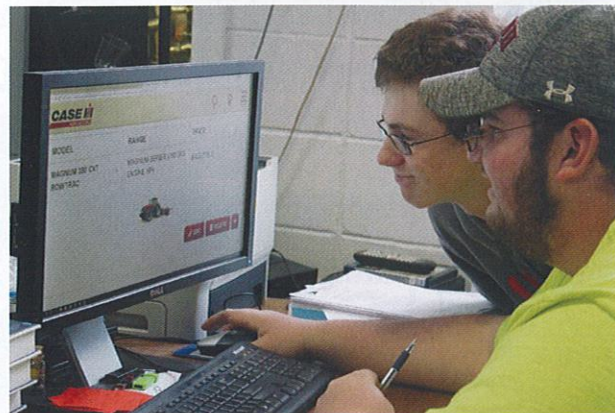
"Every time someone has a farming question, they look at me."  
*Levi Blankenship*

"Buses on hard surfaces only."  
*Cowry Blakely*

"I love the smell of a hayfield."  
*Harli Mihalevich*

"Constant equipment malfunctions."  
*Devin Morrison*

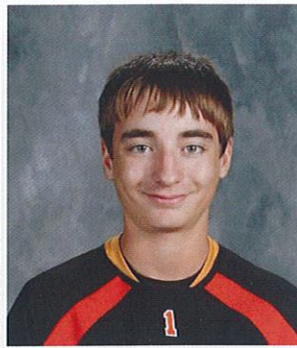
"Getting stuck behind a tractor is a legitimate excuse for being late."  
*Drew Ford*



When farm kids have free time at school, they build a tractor on the Case IH website, watch truck pulls on YouTube or watch an online cattle auction.



Averil Acton



Quin Allen



Zoe Blankenship



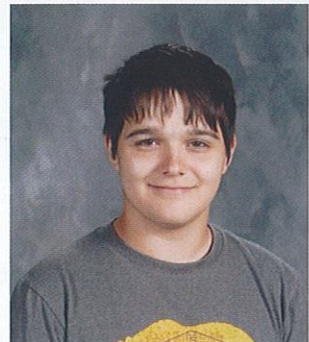
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Makenna Bushnell



Ty Bushnell



Thomas Dore



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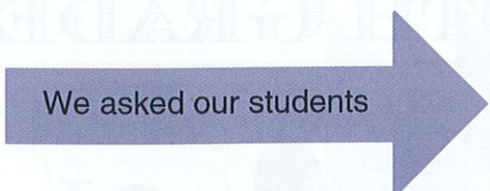
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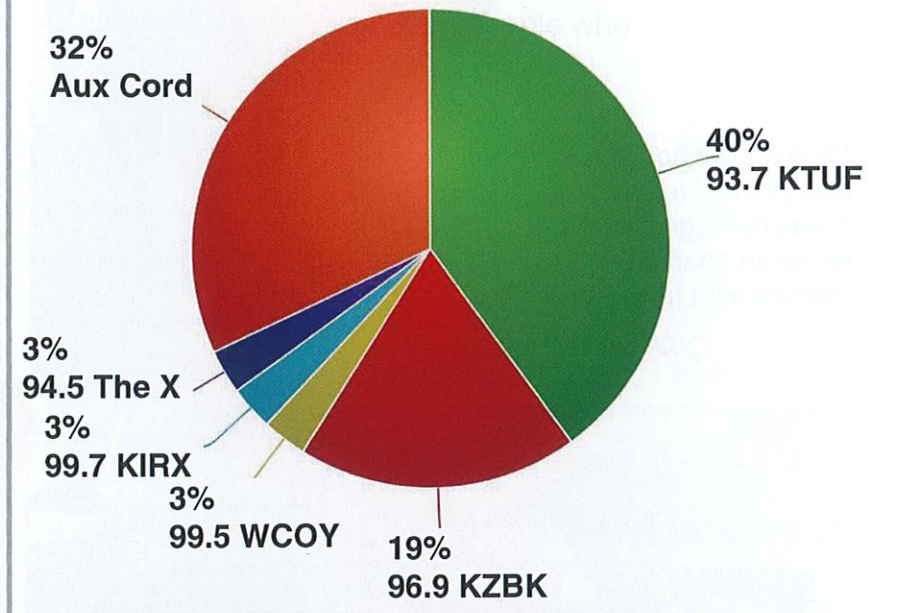
Wyatt Reeves



We asked our students

What do you listen to going down the road?

"Rap-It's upbeat." *Harli Mihalevich*  
 "Classic Rock 94.5. It's good driving music." *Kameron McGinnis*  
 "The original Country Gold-93.7" *Nate Stewart*  
 "Bluegrass" *Ty Gottman*



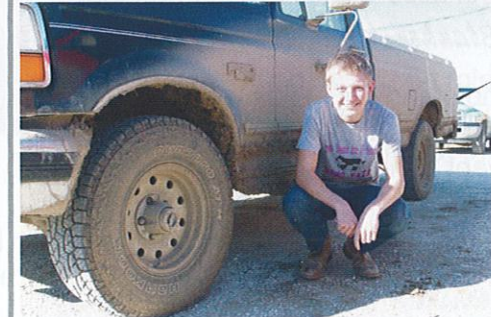
### COUNTRY ROADS, TAKE ME HOME



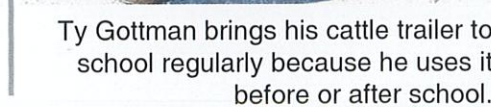
Mechelia Potter's family all own larger, 4-wheel drive vehicles because a small car would drag on their gravel road.



"Our trucks are always covered in mud." *Devin Morrison*



Levi Blankenship's parking space is marked by the clods of mud that fall off of his truck.



Ty Gottman brings his cattle trailer to school regularly because he uses it before or after school.

# 10TH GRADE



"Ron knows how to fix everything. He says that if it was put together, it can be taken apart. I've learned a lot from Ron."

*Tyler Watson*



"Miss O'Dell has been a positive influence in my life. I admire that she puts up with me. With Miss O'Dell, I've learned that teachers can be fun."

*Levi Blankenship*

"Role models are people who stand out in this world and make a difference in our lives. Miss O'Dell inspires me to be a band director because I want to help students the way she helps us. I want them to feel the way she has made us feel about band. Miss O'Dell is leaving a legacy on our band and in our hearts that will last forever."

*Wyatt Potter*



Coury Blakely



Levi Blankenship



Drew Ford



Clayton Johnson



William Jordan



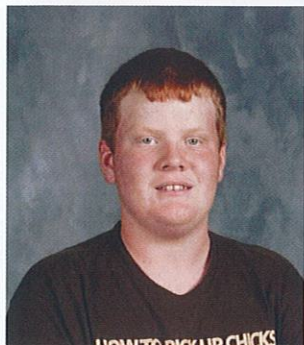
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Branden Peterson



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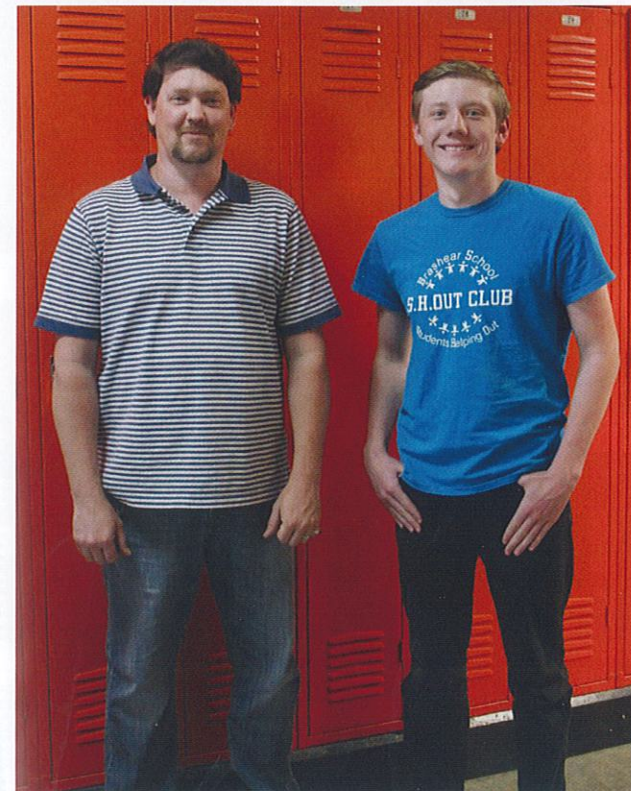


Valerie Sizemore



Aden Zentz

Not Pictured: Melissa Wagster



"Mr. Carpenter does a lot of things that I would like to do. He is passionate about everything he does. I can't think of anything he doesn't know."

*Triston Morrison*

Positive Influences

## Lasting Impressions

Students share thoughts on people who have influenced their lives.



"Mrs. Moots is the teacher who has always pushed me to achieve."

*Robbyn Wagster*

"Danny Carpenter has made a lasting impression on my life. He has taught me to think creatively and outside the box. He demonstrates this by connecting science and real-world problems. He is the reason I aspire to become a biologist."

*Coury Blakely*

"Mrs. Fisher is an awesome role model because she is kind-hearted and caring. Mrs. Fisher believes anyone can do anything that they put their mind to. She taught me that not everyone has the same story, but you still need to treat them the same. Most people will judge you, but Mrs. Fisher will give you a chance even if you've made mistakes before."

*Melissa Wagster*

# 11TH GRADE

We asked our students and staff

## What's your dream car?

*Jacob Bleything:* 1969 Camaro, burnt orange with black racing stripes and a chrome baseball shifter

*Trevor Love:* 2016 F150 Raptor

*Kacie Mihalovich:* an Audi

*Mr. Doolin:* brand new Ford F150 with all the options

*Ron Parrish:* 1966 Dodge Coronet 440

*Bailey Moncrief:* 1970 Dodge Charger

*Coach Prewitt:* Chevy Duramax diesel

*Mrs. Moods:* Soft top Jeep Wrangler, 5 speed

*Megan McHenry:* 1967 Chevy Impala

*Devin Morrison:* Dodge Cummins

## GOING PLACES



In September, students grades 9 through 12 who had scored proficient or advanced on an EOC exam were rewarded with a trip to a St. Louis Cardinals game.



Ty Gottman

Leah Grissom



Skylar Haskell

Harley Hayes



Celia Kincaid

Morgan Magruder



Megan McHenry

Harli Mihalevich



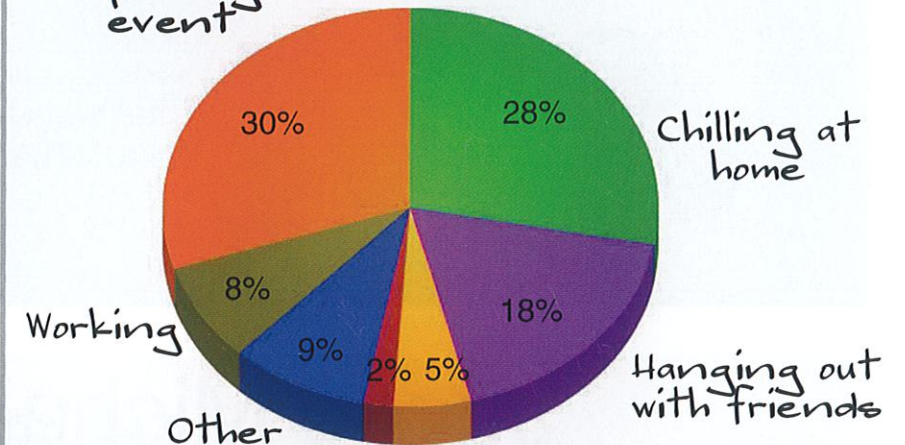
Bailey Moncrief

Devin Morrison

We asked our students

At a BHS sporting event

Where do you find yourself most Friday nights?



Travis Nilson

Hannah Reeves



Nathaniel Stewart

Zane Sykes



Morgan Magruder and Celia Kincaid both work at Dairy Queen. "I work all the time. I ask off for pep band and school events, but every other night I work," said Morgan Magruder.

Shopping On a date

"I'm at home in Teamspeak with friends. It's like Skype but easier and with more people." *Ty Bushnell*

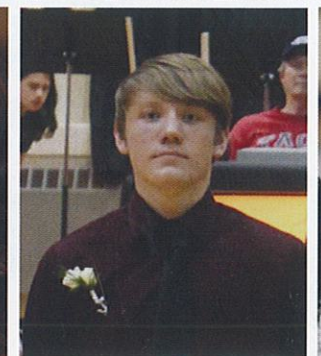
"Work! I work at Downtown Cinema 8." *Kacie Mihalovich*

We asked our students

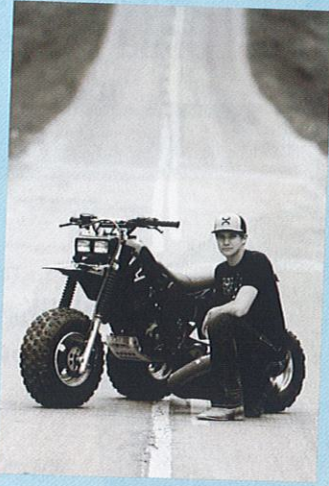
## Who's your celebrity crush?

...and we got too many names to tally...

Along with Patrick Dempsey, Ronda Rousey, Megan Fox, Jennifer Lawrence, Scott Eastwood and George Strait, we heard some more local names, like MudCat (Coury Blakely) and Harli Mihalevich.



# Colt James ACTON



>>> Most likely to hunt for a living



>>> "It's not what you take when you leave this world behind you. It's what you leave behind you when you go." -Randy Travis

# Trevor Michael LOVE

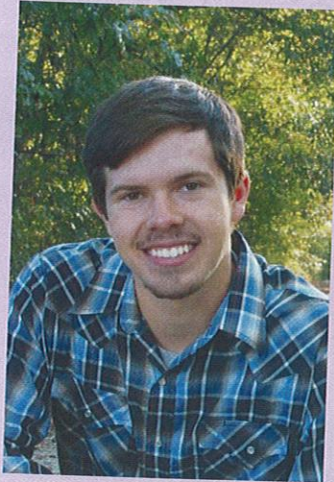


>>> Most likely to win the lottery but lose the ticket



>>> "We do what we do best, we improvise." -Paul Walker

# Jacob Michael BLEYTHING



>>> Most likely to be a professional baseball player



>>> "Impossible is just a big word thrown around by small men who find it easier to live in the world they've been given, than to explore the power they have to change it. Impossible is not a fact; it's a dare. Impossible is potential. Impossible is temporary. Impossible is nothing" -Muhammad Ali

# Miranda Helen MIDDLETON



>>> Most likely to finish what she starts



>>> "Never give up on something you really want. It's difficult to wait, but worse to regret."

# Hailey Lynn LAWRENCE



>>> Most likely to get paint on brand new pants



>>> "Difficult roads often lead to beautiful destinations."

# Kacie Joe MIHALOVICH



>>> Most likely to run a marathon in heels



>>> "This is nothing but a hive, and I am the one and only Queen Bee."

# Mechelia Grace POTTER



>>> Most likely to always have a pack of gum on hand



>>> "You are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think."  
-Winnie the Pooh



# Saydie Elizabeth POTTER



>>> Most likely to stand up for what's right

>>> "Have courage and be kind." -Cinderella



# Jacklyn Kaylei SIDENSTRICKER



>>> Most likely to be a professional musician



>>> "Doubt kills more dreams than failure ever will" -Karimseddiki

# Breann Lea TURNER



>>> Most likely to fall down a flight of stairs



>>> "You're entirely bonkers. But I'll tell you a secret. All the best people are."  
-Alice in Wonderland

# Robbyn Marie WAGSTER



>>> Most likely to persist when things get hard

>>> "When it rains, look for rainbows. When it's dark, look for stars."



# Tyler Lane WATSON



>>> Most likely to have pliers on hand

>>> "It's just another day."



On Wednesday, May 10, the senior class headed out on their last trip together. With a full day planned, the bus pulled out at 4:30 a.m. Destination--St. Louis. The first attraction of the day was XTreme paintball. When planning the trip, the girls had been skeptical about playing paintball, but the boys convinced them that it would be fun. "I have to admit, I liked it. I didn't expect to have nearly as much fun as I did," said Jackie Sidenstricker. When some of the girls dropped out because they were covered in sweat and paint, both Jackie and Miranda Middleton stuck with the boys. When they were finished playing, Jacob Bleything hugged all the girls and thanked them for agreeing to play paintball on the senior trip.

"That alone made it worth it," said Saydie Potter. "I really did have fun, but the best part was realizing how much fun the boys had."

"It was a blast," added Hailey Lawrence. "I would totally love to go back and do it again!"

The second stop was America's Incredible Pizza Company, where the class enjoyed the pizza buffet and arcade games, go-karts, bumper cars and laser tag. Then, to end the day they headed to the St. Louis Zoo.

The class had planned on eating at a downtown restaurant, but changed plans after driving there and realizing there wasn't parking for a bus. They chose to head north and stopped at Steak-'n-Shake in Wentzville.

The senior sponsors convinced the class that it was a senior trip tradition to sing all the way home. They weren't falling for it at first, and Mr. Killen asked, "How many senior trips have you been on?"

"So we sang until we couldn't sing anymore. It was so much fun! The girls would sing a song, then the boys would sing. We just kept singing one good song after another," said Mechelia Potter.

After they stopped singing, the class shared their favorite memories of their school years, their hopes and fears and plans for the future. They talked about important things they had learned, like to not take things for granted; things they would do differently if they could, like not worrying about the details so much and just enjoy their senior year. "I stressed too much," said Breann Turner. "I wish I could go back and tell myself, 'it will all work out. It will all come together.'"

"I would go back and spend more time with my friends," said Jacob Bleything. "I wish I could just turn back time. It's hard to believe it's nearly over. It seems like just yesterday was the first day of our senior year, and here we are, on the bus ride home from the senior trip."

The class talked about people who had inspired and influenced them. "My grandpa," said Miranda Middleton. "He always supported me and believed in me."

"Saydie has been my role model," said Breann Turner. "She's kept her calm, and always kept a positive attitude. I try to be like her."

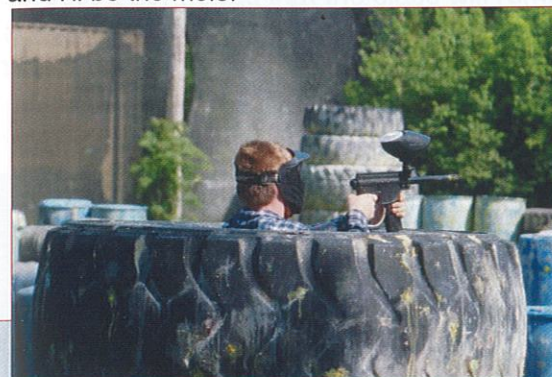
"I've looked up to Colt. He's been like a brother to me," said Jacob Bleything.

They talked about the things they want to do sometime. "I gotta see those northern lights," said Mechelia Potter.

"I want to make a difference in peoples lives, everyday," said Saydie Potter.

"What I will remember most about our senior trip is the singing and storytelling on the bus ride home. I think that's when being a senior finally hit me, and I realized how much I love and will miss all my classmates," said Hailey Lawrence.

Against his better judgment, Trevor Love positions himself in the center of a stack of tractor tires. Trevor's teammates convinced him that it would be a good strategy; he could pop up and shoot when the timing was right. "How am I supposed to protect myself," Trevor argued, "It will be like playing Whack-a-Mole, and I'll be the mole!"



After spending a few hours at paintball, the class cleans up and displays their battle scars. The red marks developed into sizable bruises for many in the class.



Miranda Middleton creeps around a barricade. Miranda's sly tactics and good aim earned her the title of MVP from her classmates.

## Senior Trip

# Lasting Memories



Breann Turner makes a lap on the go-karts. After the noon crowd cleared out and there was no waiting line, the seniors took several more turns on the go-karts.



Hailey Lawrence spins around on a bumper car.



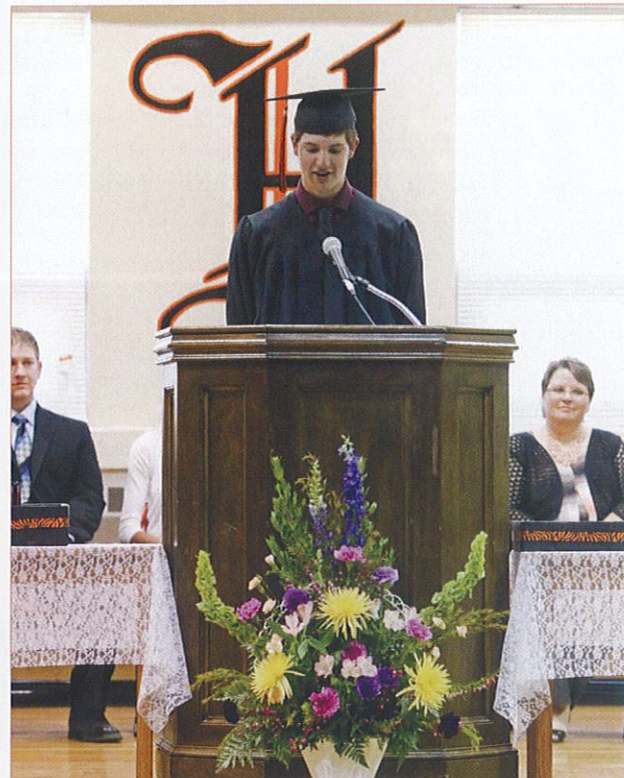
All of the girls won a stuffed bear from the claw machine.

# CLASS ACT

Graduation 2017

Kacie Mihalovich earned salutatorian, and Saydie Potter earned valedictorian. Jacob Bleything and Hailey Lawrence also graduated with honors.

Colt Acton speaks to his classmates. Colt thanked the teachers for their influence on the class, and he specifically thanked Mr. Doolin for seeing something good in him in 7th grade and encouraging him to be a leader. Colt recalled good times and said, "To me, we will always be the best class that ever went through this school."



Tyler Watson accepts the Young Farmer's scholarship from his dad, Tim Watson. Tyler plans to study diesel mechanics at University of Northwestern Ohio.

Jackie Sidenstricker receives her diploma from school board president Jim Reeves. Jackie plans to attend Truman State University and study music.

Signifying the transition from students to graduates, the class turns their tassels to hang over their hearts, where BHS will always remain. In her speech, Saydie Potter recalled walking through the doors for the first time, and described the school as a place that has become like home and the class like a family. "As we walk out these doors, we are the graduated class of 2017, part of the future of the world. Twelve people going out into this big wide world, going to begin a new chapter in the journeys of our lives."

The commencement ceremony for the class of 2017 was held on Sunday, May 14.

The class recognized their parents by presenting their mothers with roses. The ceremony also included a presentation of senior and baby pictures, created by Kacie Mihalovich.

The class chose high school English teacher, Diane McGinnis, and school cook, Cathy March to be the speakers. Additionally, seniors Colt Acton and Saydie Potter spoke to their class and the audience.

Diane McGinnis shared memories of the class and expressed her hopes that the class will remember their backgrounds, be grateful, give, enjoy the simple things in life, and make a mark on the world.

Prior to graduation, Cathy March had asked each of the seniors about their plans for the future. She shared those plans, along with special memories of each student.

"The speeches meant a lot to me. They made me think, both back to things we've done, and ahead to the future," said Jacob Bleything.

"Graduation was both exciting and sad for me," said Hailey Lawrence. "During the whole thing I was getting more and more excited to finally get my diploma. I loved listening to the speakers, but they made me tear up. Even though I thought I was ready to leave and couldn't wait to get out of here, I'd go back and do it all over again, if I could."







Back row: Robbyn Wagster, Jackie Sidenstricker, Saydie Potter, Kacie Mihalovich, Hailey Lawrence, Mechelia Potter, Breann Turner, Miranda Middleton  
Front row: Trevor Love, Jacob Bleything, Colt Acton, Tyler Watson

#### Senior Class Motto

To achieve all that is possible, we just attempt the impossible.  
To be as much as we can, we must dream of being more."  
-John C. Maxwell



# MASTERING THE GAME



# ATHLETICS

# Make it > HAPPEN



> Celebrating the win, the team counts down by the number of points they won by, and then cheers. "We wanted to win just so we could do the cheer," joked freshman Tanna Garlock. "Coach told us from the beginning that every time we win, we are going to do a count down. It motivated us even more to reach our goal of having more wins than last year. The cheer was our reward at the end of the game."



> Behind the plate for every inning of the season, senior Hailey Lawrence catches the strike in the August 29 game against Milan.



> Playing first base, senior Saydie Potter gets the out against Marion County. This was her first year playing first base, and only her second year playing softball. "Saydie always has a positive attitude and keeps the team upbeat," said junior Harli Mihalevich.

A couple of weeks into practice, the Lady Tiger softball team established their goals. By that time, the girls had worked together enough to know that they had potential. The team had lofty goals for the season, and specific goals for each game. Goals like making 5 runs or more, having no more than three errors, and keeping the opponent under five runs. Then, they worked to make it happen. For the majority of the games, the Lady Tigers met their goals. Although they didn't win the conference championship like they had hoped in those early days of August, they set out to put their best effort into every game.

The team was made up of five freshmen, four juniors, and three seniors. The younger players brought a lot of talent and experience to the team. "I've just been waiting to play varsity

softball," said freshman Emily Mason. "I've played since I was little on summer teams, and I love playing the game," she continued. "I looked forward to the challenge of playing with older girls who had more experience, and I wanted to improve my own skills. I have a personal goal to hit the ball over the fence, and I'm still working to make that happen."

The team welcomed a new coach, Chris Prewitt. Coach Prewitt worked each day with new ways to improve individually and as a team. "Every practice we would go over the same drills until they were perfect. I wouldn't settle for anything less than perfection in practice, so when it would come to game time, it was instinct," Coach Prewitt commented. He added, "I was proud of how the team played and proud of our success for the season."



> Caught in a run down, junior Harli Mihalevich steals home in the September 13 game against Atlanta. The play came after the pitcher made a bad throw to first, allowing Harli to make it to third base on a bunt. Alexa hit a grounder pop-up to the pitcher, and as Harli headed for home, the pitcher started to run her down, then threw to home instead. Harli slid in safely just ahead of the ball. "I really thought she was going to tag me in the run down, then when I got past her, I knew I had it," Harli said. "I slid under the catcher, my foot touched the bag, and then I heard her catch the ball." The following week Harli was awarded a plaque by KTUF Jamco Awards for athlete of the week. "It's an honor to be recognized. I've played softball since I was four. The hard work and my love for the sport has paid off."

"We're undefeated," said senior Jacob Bleything, after winning the first game of the fall baseball season. "It's a pretty good feeling right now." The Tigers started off the fall season with a 14-9 win against Newtown-Harris. Through the following weeks, it wasn't all wins on the scoreboard, but each time the lights came on, the Brashear Tigers stepped up, ready to play.

The team welcomed a new coach, Alex Michaud, who worked to instill confidence in the team, as well as improve their skill level. "He sees our potential and holds us to it. He sets the team's goals very high and expects us to give everything to each game," said Jacob.

The Tigers ended the season with an improved record, but more importantly, with an improved attitude. "We feel more confident in ourselves," said senior Colt Acton. "We've learned a lot together. We had several freshmen coming in, and that really helped us. This is the first season for a while that we've had players on the field and on the bench," he added.

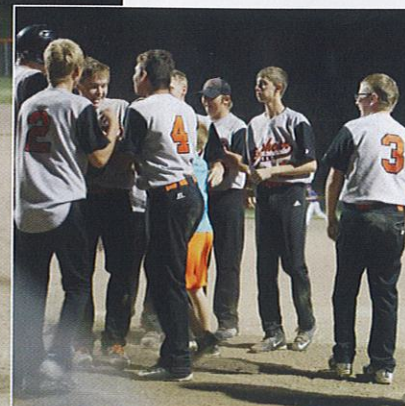
"Winning a few games helped us to come together," said sophomore Aden Zentz, "We realized that we could do it if we put our minds to it."



While the Green City catcher scrambles to pick up a wild pitch, senior Jacob Bleything steals home. Even with that run and other hits, the Tigers weren't able to pull off the win, falling to Green City 6-2. Jacob said, "After our loss, our goal was to not lose another game so that we could end with a winning season. We went 3 and 0 and had our first winning season in the last 6 years."



# When the Lights Come On



After hitting a two-run walk-off home run, junior Zane Sykes crosses the home plate and is surrounded by his teammates. "It was pretty lit," Zane said. In the September 23 game against Bevier, Colt Acton pitched scoreless 3rd, 4th, and 5th

innings. Zane pitched scoreless 6th and 7th innings, and the game went into the bottom of the seventh with Brashear trailing 5-4. With two outs, Colt Acton singled, and then Zane Sykes stepped up to the plate. With three balls and two strikes down, Zane launched the ball over the center field fence. After the game, Coach Michaud told the players, "You just beat a 2nd place team. Have some confidence in yourselves. Those last minutes--that was all you."



Getting the out, senior Colt Acton runs from the mound to tag the batter in the October 4 game against Atlanta. The game was a continuation of a match that began on September 13 and was rained out at the bottom of the first inning. The Tigers picked up the rematch game trailing 0-4, but gradually brought the score to a 7-7 tie. In the seventh inning, with freshman Brhet Place on second base, freshman Justin Leedom had a hit to left field, allowing Brhet to make it home. The Tigers claimed the victory, with a final score of 8-7.

Wyatt Reeves

Colt Acton

Justin Leedom

Jacob Bleything

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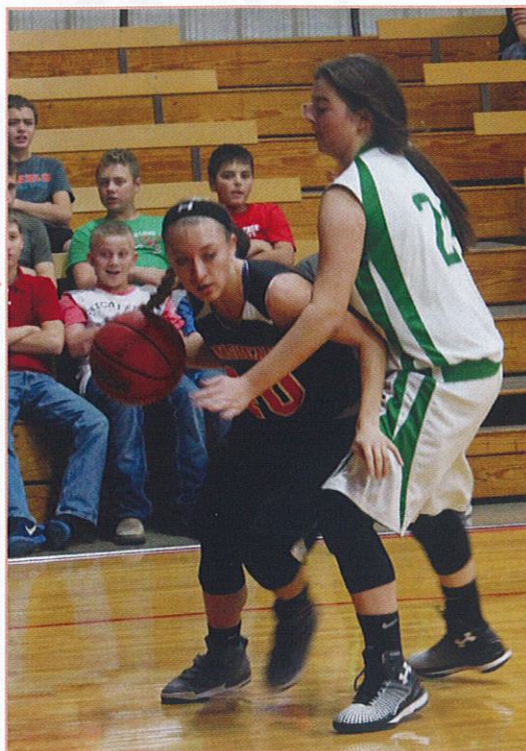
John Gerhold



In the first match-up of the Green City tournament, freshman Aubrey Bleything guards a member of the La Plata B team. The Lady Tigers took an early lead in the October 13th game and won 24-12. "Aubrey was always aggressive and had tons of hustle," said Tanna Garlock, "She never slacked off and always tried her hardest."



Putting a move on her defender, freshman Emily Mason gets herself free to drive to the basket. Emily scored 9 points in the close game against Linn County. "It was a fast-paced game," Emily said, "We were up and down the court a lot. I kept trying to steal the ball and take it down to make a lay-up." The Lady Tigers won 27-26.



In the play off game against the La Plata A team, seventh-grader Abilene Hartwig tries to intercept the ball. Abilene added one point to the scoreboard. The Lady Tigers won the game 19-11, marking the second year in a row for Brashear to take first place in the Green City tournament.



## BUILDING ON SUCCESS

The junior high girls basketball team began the season with positive attitudes and high expectations. They had a good season under their belt from the previous year, and several of the girls were highly experienced players. Building on these strengths and successes, the team confidently set out to continue on to the next level.

The season began with the Green City tournament. Brashear advanced to the championship game, where they faced La Plata's A team. They won 19-11 and brought home the first place trophy.

The team considered the October 24th home game against La Plata to be one of their most challenging games, yet one of their best. Brashear trailed behind La Plata until the fourth quarter, when the Lady Tigers closed the gap. With one minute left in the game, the score was tied 28-28. Both teams had shooting opportunities, and both teams went to the free-throw line. Brashear missed, but La Plata made one free-throw, winning the game 29-28.

The Lady Tigers ended their season with 10 wins and only 4 losses, stacking success on top of success.



In a close game against La Plata, eighth-grader Hannah Grissom drives to the basket. Hannah scored 11 points in the game. "It was a good game," Hannah said, "We nearly had them. We played well as a team, and did a lot of things right. Even though we lost, we counted it as a success."

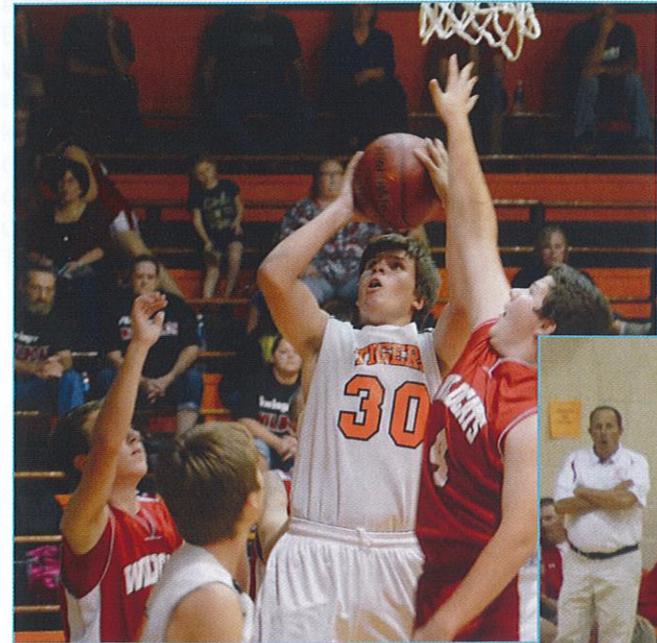
Give it everything. That's how the junior high boys basketball team set out to play the season. Whether it was just practice or the Atlanta Tournament, the junior high boys basketball team gave it their all every time they stepped onto the court.

The team had 11 students going out for the team, and most had experience playing together and with their coach, Wade Sorenson. "We already felt comfortable with each other," said freshman Fisher Reese, "and we knew that Coach Sorenson expects a lot from us. We just knew we had to improve our skills and play a better game."

Eighth-grader Garrett Housman said, "Some games, we did really well, then the next game we would get blown out. We pulled it back together, though. We wouldn't quit!"

"Practice was full-bore, 24-7," said Fisher Reese. He added, "At the beginning of the season, we didn't really look like a team. We didn't know a lot. By the end, though, we had come together, and it was totally different."

When asked which game was the best, freshman Cody Mallet replied without hesitation, "The last game against

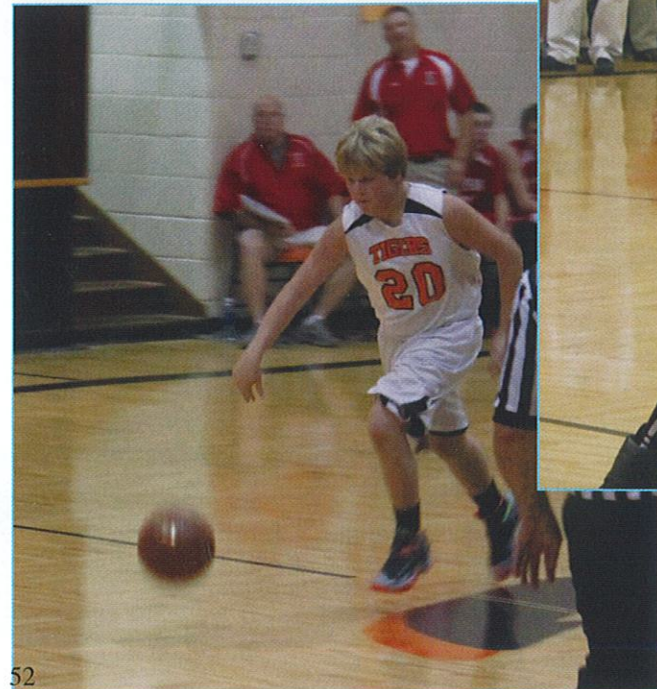


Eighth-grader Garrett Housman goes in for a layup against Novinger. "I thought I could draw contact," said Garrett, "then get some free throws." Garrett was the highest scorer for the game with 10

Freshman Fisher Reese looks to pass the ball down the court to an open teammate to score points against La Plata. Brashear was in the lead at halftime, but fell behind in the second half of the October 24 game.



When asked about playing for the first time at Brashear, eighth-grader Austin Peterson said, "It was fun playing for Brashear and with Garrett Housman."



Atlanta was the best game." The Tigers had already faced Atlanta in the regular season, then faced them again in the Atlanta Tournament. Brashear trailed behind for most of the game, then near the end of the fourth quarter picked up the pace, closing a ten point gap in just over a minute. Eighth-grader Austin Peterson made a 3 point shot, Garrett Housman added two points, then stepped to the line to shoot a free throw, but missed. Seventh-grader Branden Jochimsen got the rebound and put the ball in. With another 3 point shot, Austin bumped up the score to 39. Brashear was unable to block the Atlanta offense, and ended the game 44-39. Still, it was one where the Tigers played with skill and determination. Austin Peterson scored 16 points in the game, and Garrett Housman followed with 13 points.

The boys played a total of thirteen games this season. "We had an improved record over last year," said Fisher. The boys ended their season with eight wins and six losses.

# FULL-BORE

## 24/7



Freshman Quin Allen takes the ball down the court in the November 1 home game. "Quin is aggressive," said Fisher Reese, "He gets lots of rebounds."

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## THERE WERE THREE

For the junior high basketball season, one returning and two brand new cheerleaders stepped up to the challenge to cheer for their team. They were freshman Zoe Blankenship, eighth-grader Madison Taylor, and seventh-grader Kynleigh White. Madison Taylor cheered last year, and was excited to cheer again this year. "I really enjoyed it, and I wanted to cheer again," she said. Kynleigh White played on the girls basketball team. After each game, she would quickly change from her basketball shorts into her cheerleading skirt and head to the sidelines to cheer on the boys team. Zoe Blankenship cheered for the first time this year, yet easily stepped into a leadership role as the older cheerleader.

"It was a lot of work at first to learn the cheers," said Zoe

Blankenship. Coach Christy Grissom taught the cheers, then after one team member mastered a cheer, she let them learn from each other. "We like cheering between quarters," Zoe said, "It was fun to get the crowd involved."

The cheerleaders purchased new uniforms at the beginning of the season. "We really like the uniforms," Zoe said, "but we call the shoes 'grandma shoes.' We needed to get shoes that were reasonably priced, and they definitely looked better in the picture."

Though the squad was small, the girls agreed that they had a wonderful time cheering on the basketball teams.



### "Y.E.S."

Madison Taylor and Zoe Blankenship excite the crowd during the first and second quarter. They get the crowd up on their feet to support the Tigers. Madison was always peppy and excited for the games. She plans to cheer next year.



"We got spirit." Zoe Blankenship, cheered for the first time this season and was the captain of the cheerleading team. After finishing the season she thinks she will continue to cheer next year. Though the team didn't have an official captain, Zoe often took the lead and often started cheers and talked to the other teams to decide what quarters they would cheer in.



"Pump it up." Zoe Blankenship and Madison Taylor cheer for the Junior High Basketball teams. They raise the spirits of the crowd as their team pushes for a win.



"Watch out." Kynleigh White played during the girls game and stayed to cheer on the boys as a cheerleader when she finished. Kynleigh was always in time, according to Zoe Blankenship, she was always clapping at the right times and caught on fast.

# BALLIN'

Boys Varsity Basketball keeps a positive attitude despite challenges



Pushing the ball down the court after a defensive rebound, senior Jacob Bleything pulls up and takes a shot in the February 14 game against Bucklin/Macon County. The seniors were recognized at this last home game of the season. Colt Acton was in uniform for the first time since his season-ending injury in December, and went in to shoot some free throws near the end of the game, going 2-for-3 from behind the line.



Junior Zane Sykes looks for the open play at North Shelby High School. The Tigers struggled to compete against North Shelby's inside game and aggressive players. Brashear put up a strong fight, scoring 13 points in both the first and second quarters.



Following a missed layup, senior Colt Acton gets his own rebound and puts the ball up again, making the shot in the December 5 game at Higbee. Colt scored 25 points in the game. The Tigers put the first points on the board, though they later fell behind and took the loss 75-42.

It was a season with challenges.

Five games into the season, senior Colt Acton took a fall that tore his ACL and cracked his femur, putting him on the bench for the remainder of the season. "We were looking forward to having a good season," said Ty Gottman, "then Colt got hurt. It's been a battle all the way, since then. It seems like we take 2 steps forward then 20 steps back. We never give up and keep battling to try to get the next win."

Several players had to step up and play in new roles this season. Sophomore Colton Sayre played post for the first time this year. "We don't have the height that other teams have," said junior Ty Gottman. "Colton had the height, but our post game was a work-in-progress, at best," Ty added.

It was also a challenge to keep the team healthy. Throughout a period of a couple of weeks, everyone was getting sick and missing practices. Each day at school, the team would wonder who they would have to play without that night.

Then, in the games, there was the trouble of getting shots to fall. "We would have a high-scoring game, then the next time we were on the court we couldn't seem to make it," said junior Zane Sykes.

Added to that, in many of the games, players got into foul trouble within the first half, which effected the way they played as a team for the remainder of the game.

Despite all of this, "We never gave up. If we had a bad quarter or half, we tried to improve for the next part. We had the mindset that it was a new game. We tried to outscore the opponent for the quarter or half," said senior Jacob Bleything.

There were aspects of the season that the players considered to be successes. They had two almost-50-point games during the Brashear tournament. In one of those games, Brashear took the lead over Novinger for a while, which the Tigers considered an accomplishment.

The team was coached by Wade Sorenson and Chad Zeigler. "Coach Sorenson stayed on us," said Ty Gottman, "He was always trying to get the next win. He never gave up on us, even when he was frustrated."

Throughout the challenges, the team fought to win the entire season.



After the crossover, junior Ty Gottman makes a layup against Grundy County in the Holiday Hoops Tournament at Trenton. Ty scored 10 points in the game, which started slowly for the Tigers but picked up after the first quarter. "We were missing both of our seniors, but we still played hard and competed the whole game," said Ty. Brashear has played in the NCMC tournament since 2009. The games are always played over Christmas break.

# MINIMUM NUMBERS

# MAXIMUM EFFORT



Freshman Alexa Higgins goes up to shoot a lay-up against Higbee. The Lady Tigers were short 43 points, ending the game 66-23. Alexa said she plays by Kobe Bryant's words, "Take every practice, every game, like it's your last."

Working her way around the Linn County defense, freshman Averil Acton takes control at the Milan tournament. The Brashear Lady Tigers won third place in the tournament, beating Novinger 55-53 in overtime. Averil scored 20 points in the game. "Everyone was on their toes the entire time," Averil said.



Harli Mihalevich makes her way down the court at Higbee to shoot a layup. "The Higbee team had a defense that was hard to get past, and they know what they're doing on offense. We tried different plays, but couldn't break them," Harli said.

It was a season where some things didn't go as planned. Injuries put players on the bench and challenged the rest of the team. Yet, even with the minimum number of players on the team, they played with maximum effort.

Junior Harli Mihalevich started the season with a stress fracture in her right shin. She played anyway, until she had to stop before she had permanent injuries. Tanna Garlock and Emily Mason played both junior high and varsity, but they ran out of weeks of eligibility before the varsity season ended. Freshmen Averil Acton and Alexa Higgins played up on the varsity team. Then, freshman Averil Acton rolled her ankle, leaving the team with only four players.

The Lady Tigers played most of the Brashear Tournament with four players, making it more of a challenge. "The game against Marion County was tough. Two of our starters were injured and we had nobody else to play. We still gave it our all and played until the end. At the end of the game the crowd stood and applauded us. They could see how hard we worked even if it was for a loss," said Hailey Lawrence.

Although the season was different than most, the Lady Tigers agreed that this year everyone became closer together and became more of a team. The girls proved they were ready to give it their all for the better of the team.



In the first game of the season, senior Hailey Lawrence heads for the basket. Hailey scored 8 points in the game against Marion County. The Lady Mustangs led for the first half, but Brashear caught up in the 3rd quarter and was ahead with three minutes left in the game. The Lady Tigers were unable to hold the lead, and lost the game by two points. Hailey described the season, "I would say this year has been a huge learning experience for our entire team. I was so proud of how dedicated and hardworking our team became. I would give anything for one more year with these girls."



# BETTER TOGETHER

## Better Together

According to the Varsity Cheerleading squad, being involved in high school activities is even better when you are with friends. Together, the four cheerleaders, senior Breann Turner, senior Mechelia Potter, junior Megan McHenry and sophomore Eliza Magruder enjoyed cheering on the varsity basketball teams for the winter sports season. We asked each of the girls to describe their season.



"This year was so special. We get along really well. We're like a family! During one of the games, I wasn't feeling myself, and Breann and Mechelia jumped right in, making sure I was okay. Megan was always the best. We would play charades on the bus ride to the games. I made so many good memories."

*Eliza Magruder*



"We couldn't have done it without each other. This has been the best year by far! We've been able to communicate with each other about anything. Our senior cheerleaders, Breann and Mechelia, definitely made cheer special. Having Eliza as our mascot was a real treat for us!"

*Megan McHenry*



"I've been a cheerleader for six years and the captain for two, and I have never worked with a better bunch of girls. We couldn't have done it without the support we had for each other. They made my senior year amazing, and together we built a friendship that will last a lifetime!"

*Breann Turner*

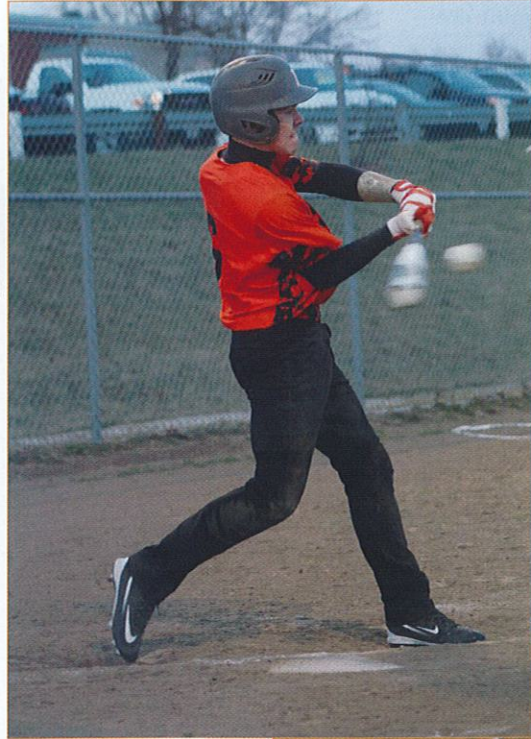


"This was my first year as a cheerleader, but I quickly came to understand what the definition of cheerleader is. To some, it may be just cheering and chanting, but to me it's building a bond as friends and family. We may have laughed and joked around on the sidelines, but the sidelines became like home."

*Mechelia Potter*



Senior Jacob Bleything makes a hit in an early season game against Bucklin/Macon County. Jacob singled, stole 2nd, took 3rd on a passed ball and then made it home on a hit by Zane Sykes. Jacob also pitched for six innings of the game, striking out 16 players.



Senior Colt Acton lets go of a strike at Schuyler County on May 9. Colt had been out of the game due to an injury, but was cleared to pitch for the previous game at Putnam County. "I was nervous," Colt said, and I kept sliding. I would look at the crowd and I felt like they were afraid I was going to get hurt or mess up." The game ended in a disappointing 10-0 loss.

Brhet Place gets the out on 3rd base in the home game against Bucklin/Macon County. Brhet also played first base this season, as well as pitched.



# OVER the FENCE

Spring Baseball

The day of the season opener, March 21, the Tiger Baseball team had high hopes for the season. They were pumped and ready to play. "We've been practicing all winter. We've worked on batting. We've worked on throwing. We've come a long way since the fall," said freshman Wyatt Reeves.

"We've had some successes in the past, and we've learned to play and kept the interest alive, but I'd like to see us do more. I'd like to see us go further," said senior Jacob Bleything.

The team didn't reach all of their goals for the season, but nevertheless, there were successes.

It was a season of home run hits. In the first game of the season against North Shelby, five players, senior Jacob Bleything, junior Zane Sykes, sophomore Aden Zentz, freshman Brhet Place and junior Travis Nilson, had home runs. "We had more home runs in that one game than in most seasons. Players who had never had

a home run before were hitting it over the fence. It helped boost the team's confidence," said senior Colt Acton. In later games, Jacob Bleything and Zane Sykes had more home runs, and freshman John Gerhold made a home run hit on Senior Night.

With a larger team than in the past, the team held a lot of potential in young players. "We have several guys who are playing well and are natural athletes," said Jacob Bleything.

The Tigers won the first game of Districts where they faced Atlanta. Brashear took an early lead, and blew the game open in the 4th inning. Colt Acton and Jacob Bleything pitched a perfect game, and Brashear brought home the win 13-0.

"I was hoping to put our year on the wall in the gym," said Jacob Bleything, "but it just didn't happen."

"It is what it is," said Colt Acton. "I'm just glad I got to be a part of it."



Senior Colt Acton calls the players together for a mound visit right after the first pitch of Senior Night. Colt said, "I wasn't able to be in the game that night, so Coach told me I was going to do the mound visit. I just went out there and said, 'We've got to make it look like I'm saying something inspirational.' That's why we were laughing. It really was fun, though."



After hitting his first home run of his career, freshman John Gerhold crosses home plate. The center field grand slam drove in 4 runs in the third inning. Junior Zane Sykes also had a home run in the May 8 game against Atlanta, freshman Justin Leedom had 4 hits and Jacob Bleything struck out 10. The Tigers took the victory 15-5 in 5 innings.

# Gotta RUN

Garrett Housman, 8th grade, lands a 31 feet, 2 inch triple jump, placing 4th at the Conference meet. Garrett took 1st place in the Shot Put, throwing a distance of 32 feet, 8 inches, as well as 4th place in the long jump and 4th place in the 400 Meter Dash.



Hannah Grissom, 8th grade, clears the hurdle on the 100 Meter Hurdles. Hannah took 5th place, finishing with a time of 22.07 seconds. Hannah also placed in Triple Jump and the 800 Meter Run.



Brandon Jochimsen, 7th grade, soars over the bar for the high jump. Brandon jumped a height of 5 feet, placing 3rd. Brandon also placed 5th in the 800 Meter Run, 4th in the 1600 Meter Run, and 2nd in Discus at the Conference meet in La Plata.

Kynleigh White, 7th grade, runs the 200 Meter Dash at La Plata. Kynleigh also ran the 100 Meter Dash and the 100 Meter Hurdles.

Callie Althide, 8th grade, nears the finish of the 400 Meter Dash. Callie also competed in the 100 Meter Dash, the 200 Meter Dash, and the Long Jump.



# START STRONG



Freshman Cody Mallett throws the shot put at the District meet. He threw a distance of 24 feet, 7.25 inches.



Freshman Emily Mason clears the bar on the high jump at the District meet. Emily placed 3rd with a height of 4 feet, 8 inches. At Sectionals, Emily placed 3rd and advanced to State, where she placed 11th.



Senior Kacie Mihalovich runs the 100 meter dash at the Kirksville Invitational meet. Kacie placed 5th with a time of 14.04 seconds. She also placed 4th in the 400 meter dash, and ran a leg in the 4X100 and 4X200 relays.

# FINISH STRONGER

Varsity  
Track



At the District meet, freshman Alexa Higgins runs the 3rd leg of the 4X100 relay, following senior Kacie Mihalovich and freshman Averi Acton. Freshman Emily Mason finished the relay. The team won 1st place and advanced to Sectionals and State, improving their running times as they progressed. The team finished 8th at State, with a time of 53.40 seconds.



Freshman Averi Acton throws the javelin, which was a new field event this year. Averi threw her best distance of the season at the District meet, with 98 feet, 2 inches, placing 1st in the event. At the sectional meet, she placed 3rd, and at State, she placed 16th.



Senior Trevor Love takes the handoff from sophomore Levi Blankenship on the 3rd leg of the 4X400 relay. The team finished the relay with a time of 4 minutes, 27 seconds.



Top row: Justin McHenry, Connor Melendez, Austin Ray, Brandon Jochimsen,  
 2nd row: Connor Melendez, Tanna Garlock, Ty Bushnell, Noah Reeves, Noah Reeves, John Gerhold  
 At right, the group poses after taking 2nd place at the conference tournament.  
 Back row: John Gerhold, Ty Bushnell, Noah Reeves, Brandon Jochimsen, Coach Tammy Wolter  
 Front row: Austin Ray, Justin McHenry, Tanna Garlock

## SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT

### Junior High Academic Bowl

It was an undefeated season for the Junior High Academic Team. Winning a total of eight regular matchups, the team competed at a high level at each meet. They won by a wide margin each time they played. After defeating Bevier 290 to 170, a team member from Bevier approached the Brashear team and asked, "What do they feed you at Brashear?"

Though they did admit that they eat very well at Brashear, the team attributed their success to practicing with released questions, paying attention in classes, reading, and working together. "I do pretty well with mathematic computation questions, and so does Brandon. Austin, Ty and Justin always know the mythology answers. John is good at history, current events and geography-type questions. We all have areas that we are good at," said Tanna Garlock.

"You just need to know a wide variety of facts and information. Much of it is information that you pick up in various ways," said Ty Bushnell.

The team ended the season with the Conference Academic Bowl Tournament at Novinger. They took second place, after facing Meadville for three consecutive games. To be out of the tournament, teams must lose



twice, and neither Meadville nor Brashear had lost a game yet. Brashear won the first game, then Meadville won the next match. The champion of the tournament would be decided by the third game, and Brashear fell to Meadville, 230 to 290. Though it was a long day of using their brains, the team enjoyed the tournament and were relaxed and having fun. Before beginning each game, team captain Ty Bushnell would introduce himself, Mrs. Wolter as the coach, and the alternates who were not starting the game. Ty couldn't pronounce Brandon Jochimsen's last name, and it became a joke. Finally, in the last game at Conference, he got it right! Everyone, even the officials and other teams were amused by it. Another fun memory from the tournament was when Mrs. Wolter became exasperated with the team when they didn't know the answer to a *Gone with the Wind* question, after they had talked about it in the hallway prior to the game. "There are always *Gone with the Wind* questions. We've went over this so many times. They knew they should know the answer," said Mrs. Wolter.

"I am very proud of this group for having such a great season," said Mrs. Wolter.

## BREAK EVEN

### Varsity Academic Bowl



Kameren McGinnis, Aden Zentz, Jacob Bleything, Megan McHenry



Celia Kincaid, Aden Zentz, Jacob Bleything, Megan McHenry



Jacob Bleything and Megan McHenry



Celia Kincaid, Aden Zentz, Jacob Bleything, Megan McHenry

It was a win-some, lose-some season for the Varsity Academic Team. They won exactly half of their regular season meets. "We started out good. I think we just needed to work harder and practice more," said Jacob Bleything. The team practiced in the mornings before school, and it was hard to get the whole team together for practice.

With eight on the team, the players alternated being in the game. "It seemed like when I wasn't in the game, I knew the answers. Then when I was in, we rarely had a question I knew," said Celia Kincaid. Other team members agreed that they were the same way.

"I thought the math problems were confusing this year," said Jacob Bleything. "It would be like, if  $x$  equals

$a$  and  $y$  equals  $b$ , what is the value of the square root of  $z$ . I felt like most of the time I didn't even know what they were asking."

"The best guess is always one or nine. If you don't know how to find the answer, you just say one or nine," said Aden Zentz.

"We had fun on the bus rides to the meets," said Hailey Lawrence. "We had some really weird conversations, and we played Ballz on our phones and tried to outscore one another."

"We did our best at the Linn County meet," said Kameren McGinnis. "We went into overtime against Green City, and lost by two questions. Then, we beat Linn County 240-200."

# ONE STEP AHEAD

"The plumes are as fluffy as the uniforms make us look," said freshman Tanna Garlock. The school year began on a high note, with new plumes purchased with money raised last school year.

"The plumes made our uniforms look complete," said senior Mechelia Potter, "We had felt disadvantaged at band competitions because we were the only school that didn't have plumes. We were thrilled to get the plumes for this marching season."

The band year began with marching band. The Marching Tigers' marching tune was "Don't Stop Believin'" by Journey. "It was fun to play because we knew the song and everyone else knew the song too," said sophomore Levi Blankenship. "When we were marching, people would sing along. That made the whole experience better." The band competed in four competitions, placing 3rd at CMU Band Day in the level one category.


In the spring, Miss O'Dell informed the band that she would be leaving Brashear to take another position. It was news that was

hard to take for many band members. "When I learned that Miss O'Dell was leaving, I cried. It motivated me to do better at contest because I wanted her to be proud of all that she has taught me," said 8th grader Kyleigh Cima. The band presented Miss O'Dell with a friendship necklace that has two eighth notes joined together like a puzzle piece. Drum majorette Saydie Potter presented the necklace, saying, "The perfect Brashear High School is like a puzzle, and it's only perfect with you in it. One half will go with you wherever you go and the other will stay here with us."

"Miss O'Dell has made us all better musicians and has made a positive impact on each and every one of her students," said 8th grader Madeline McGinnis.


The band concluded the year with a field trip to St. Louis. "It was a fun trip. We saw every exhibit at the zoo, and then had to walk twenty miles back to the bus because the parking lot was under construction," said Cody Mallet.

## Favorite Memories




"In the fall when there was the clown scare, we watched scary clown movies on the bus ride home from Hannibal. The dark bus and circumstances made them even more scary."

-Jackie Sidenstricker



"At CMU band day, Saydie had been practicing her salute all day because if we win an award, she salutes to receive the award. When they called out 'Adair' Saydie hesitated, not sure they meant Brashear, and she missed her chance to salute. We all thought we didn't get a trophy."

-Zoe Blankenship



"The band has split rehearsals, so I personally didn't know that we were going to get to dye Miss O'Dell's hair pink. I guess it was a good payback, for making us practice so much."

-Justin McHenry



Bringing the season to a close, Brashear Marching Tigers march in the Truman State University homecoming parade. "It was hard," said senior Drum Majorette Saydie Potter, "knowing it was my last parade. I cried when it was over."



The Concert in the Park fundraiser was held May 2. The pie and dessert auction brings in money that is used to purchase supplies and instruments for the band. "This was a fun way to end the year," said Morgan Magruder. "It's a relaxed and entertaining evening."




Joining forces, Brashear High School band plays their marching tune with Bevier High School band, while waiting for the parade to begin. "When we realized Bevier was playing 'Don't Stop Believin' too, we thought it would be cool to play it once through with them, for fun," said sophomore Kameron McGinnis. "We wanted to actually march the parade together, since it wasn't a competition, but we couldn't."



For the first time in six years the Brashear High School band received a one, Superior, rating at State Large Group contest. The band was motivated to do well at contest, and worked hard. "We had extra morning practices, and first hour band class attended seventh hour band class," said Mechelia Potter. Three guest clinicians came to the band room to rehearse, as well as one face-time session with a director in Florida. One day after an especially rough rehearsal, Miss O'Dell told the band that she wasn't sure if they would be ready by contest. The students tried to reassure her, and Tanna Garlock jokingly asked, "What if we get a one? Can we dye your hair pink?" Miss O'Dell agreed that they could.


"When we saw that we got a one we could hardly believe it. We were overjoyed. More than one person cried and we were all running around and jumping. Then, we made sure Miss O'Dell remembered that we were going to dye her hair pink," said sophomore Wyatt Potter.

## Favorite Memories




"At the Tri-County conference band trip we were all in the dancing mood. While we waited for the concerts, we would play music and do our special band dance. At the end of the last concert we took a photo with the guest clinician and he exclaimed, 'You were the dancing girls!' Then, on the bus ride home we were standing up and dancing and when we were told to sit down we kneeled in the seat and danced anyways."

-Tanna Garlock



"In Hannibal at the field show event, there was corn on the ground. We basically had a corn fight. We were throwing it and putting it down people's shirts. Levi even climbed a tree to get away from the corn."

- Brandon Jochimsen



"Once, when we were at McDonald's, we had all finished eating but were just hanging out in the grass by the road. We were waving at all the cars and making the semis honk. Then Tanna came out of McDonald's with a paper bag over her head, scaring people."

-Connor Melendez

## Concert Choir

The choir composed of Megan McHenry, Madeline McGinnis, Jackie Sidenstricker, Kameron McGinnis and Breann Turner sang at the spring concert. They sang a traditional Irish blessing, "May the Road Rise Up" and "Gaudeamus Hodie".



## LIFT YOUR VOICE

Kameron McGinnis prepares to sing "Sebben Crudele" and "American Lullaby" for Solo and Ensemble Contest.



At the Christmas concert, the choir made up of Megan McHenry, Madeline McGinnis, Kameron McGinnis and Breann Turner sang "Go Tell It on the Mountain."



Megan McHenry sings "Bonne Nuit" and "The Mermaid Song" for contest at Kirksville High School.

At the Concert in the Park, Breann Turner sings "Tomorrow" from the musical *Annie*.

Madeline McGinnis performed with the Junior High Honor Choir in Columbia on April 10.



Junior Megan McHenry and sophomore Kameron McGinnis auditioned for and were accepted to District Choir. The audition process includes a prepared vocal piece, a key signature test and eight measures of sight reading. "I hadn't auditioned for District choir before, but I really hoped that I would make it. When I found out that I made it, I got really excited," said Megan, "I had never sang in a

choir anywhere near that big, and it was sort of overwhelming. Overall though, I had a lot of fun." The District Choir concert was at Moberly High School Auditorium on November 5. Kameron performed with the Freshman/Sophomore Choir, and Megan was part of the Junior/Senior Choir. Brashear's choir doesn't own robes, so the girls wore graduation gowns in place of robes. The choir has only one stole, and so, as Kameron was exiting one side of the stage, Miss O'Dell took the stole from her and ran it to the other side of the auditorium, where Megan was entering the stage. They laughed about the situation and took turns wearing the stole for pictures after the event.



Hannah Reeves braces herself for the cold water in the dunk tank.



Valerie Sizemore, Coury Blakely, Eliza Magruder, Kameron McGinnis, Wyatt Potter, Clayton Johnson and Drew Ford decorated a trunk with a PAC-MAN theme.



Megan McHenry and Celia Kincaid made a creepy trunk.

## S.H.OUT Club



Hailey Lawrence, Mechelia Potter, Saydie Potter and Breann Turner turned the bed of Hailey's truck into the Hundred Acre Wood.

## REACHING OUT

1 Members assisted with the fall Hog Roast, a fundraiser for the Booster Club.

2 A few days before Halloween the S.H.OUT Club took part in a community event by decorating their trunks and truck beds. Trick or Treaters came around the park to Trunk or Treat.

3 Around Christmas time, members decorated the park. Decorations were donated, and students made some wood cut-outs. The gazebo was decorated with lights and a Christmas tree, and there were various decorations around the park, including a blow-up Mickey Mouse and a lighted nativity scene.

4 Right before Easter Break, S.H.OUT Club cleaned the patio garden. They cleaned out leaves and dead growth and sanded and finished picnic tables.

5 A small group of students took a trip to the Ronald McDonald house in Columbia, where they prepared and served a meal to the families who were staying there. Members agreed that the trip was one of the most meaningful things they had done as a club, and they definitely wanted to do it again.

6 On the last Monday of school, S.H.OUT Club members had their annual Service Day. This year the project was improvements to the city park. Members replaced and painted siding on the bathrooms, painted the interior of the bathrooms, refinished picnic tables, painted playground equipment, painted free-throw lines on the basketball court, painted the basketball goal, and rebuilt the horseshoe pits.



Triston Morrison, Trace Gottman and Morgan Magruder put up Christmas decorations.



Makenna Bushnell cleans out a flower bed.



Wyatt Reeves, Wyatt Potter, Saydie Potter, Alexa Higgins, and Mrs. Moots prepare food at the Ronald McDonald House.

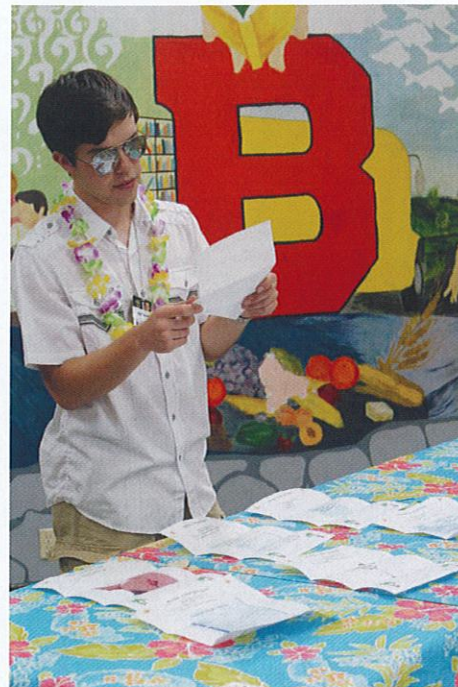


Quin Allen and Wyatt Reeves remove damaged siding from the bathrooms, Levi Blankenship paints the backboard, Kyleigh Cima sands the rough paint off of the playground equipment, and Quin Allen drives the posts into the horseshoe backboard.

# FBLA

Dressed in Hawaiian clothes, leis, sandals and sunglasses, FBLA members enact a murder mystery at Margarita Beach. In the end, the victim, Sebastian Melendez, was poisoned by Fisher Reese because of a conflict at their place of employment.

Along with Hawaiian sandwiches, tropical fruit pizza and mixed drinks, party-goers enjoyed socializing and doing the limbo.



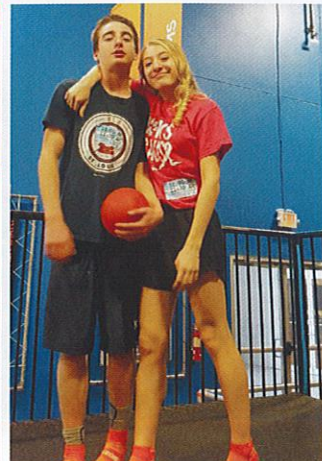
With 57 members, FBLA is the largest club at BHS. Throughout the school year, the club visited Culver-Stockton College in Canton, played out a murder mystery, made Valentine's day cards, sold Krispy Kreme donuts for a fundraiser, and took a field trip to St. Louis. But there's more than fun and games. Students compete in skills and knowledge competitions at the district level, and some advance to the state level. At the District Contest, held in Kirksville on January 31, Jacob Bleything, Ty Bushnell, Leah Grissom, Kameron McGinnis, Justin McHenry, Wyatt Potter, Austin Ray, Hannah Reeves, Breann Turner and Aden Zentz placed in the top five and advanced to the State Leadership Conference. At the state level, Kameron McGinnis placed 8th in Public Speaking.

Jacob Bleything, private investigator, was hired to look into money that was being lost.

Zane Sykes dances under the pole at the limbo competition.

## Future Business Leaders of America

The FBLA field trip to St. Louis was April 6. The group went to Sky Zone, where they got a workout jumping on the wall-to-wall trampolines. Some students divided into teams to play dodgeball. After lunch at the mall, the group visited the Anheuser-Busch Brewery. There, they toured the brewery, stables, and grounds. "My favorite part was the stable. It was amazing," said Trevor Love. Pictured below are Colton Sayre, Quin Allen, Emily Mason, and Trevor Love.



"Say that again."

Megan McHenry, Morgan Magruder, Wyatt Potter, Hailey Lawrence and Jacob Bleything share a table at the New Theatre Restaurant. The production was *Boeing, Boeing*, a play about a man who had multiple girlfriends, all airline stewardesses who worked different shifts and were never home at the same time. "I loved the show," said Megan McHenry. "It was the best one yet. I laughed so much."

# NHS



Standing in front of the sculpture at the New Theatre Restaurant in Overland Park, Kansas, NHS takes the traditional group picture. Pictured left to right: Jacob Bleything, Hannah Reeves, Hailey Lawrence, Morgan Magruder, Leah Grissom, Wyatt Potter, Jackie Sidenstricker, Kacie Mihalovich, Kameron McGinnis, Megan McHenry, Saydie Potter, Breann Turner, Mechelia Potter

## National Honor Society



Inductees Kameron McGinnis and Wyatt Potter light their candles from the central flame at the Induction Ceremony.

National Honor Society is a national organization that recognizes students who excel in the areas of character, scholarship, leadership and service. The Brashear NHS hosts a craft show in the fall and sells Valentine's Day gifts for fund-raisers, they plan and host the Induction Ceremony in the spring, and they take an annual field trip to a dinner theater.

Kacie Mihalovich treated all her friends to a ride on the carousel at the mall. She used her debit card, intending to buy one token but bought ten, instead.

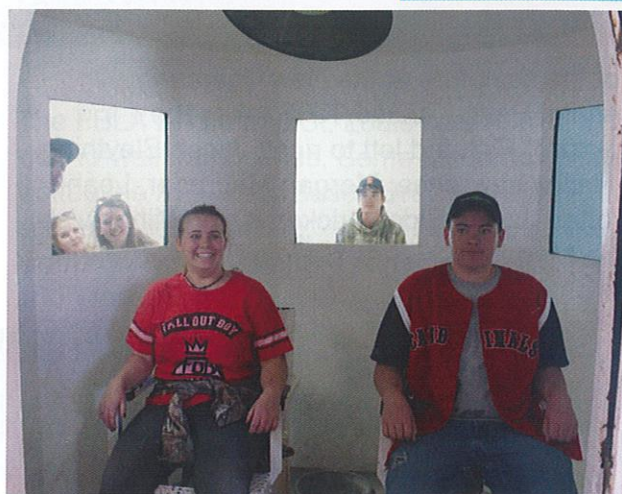




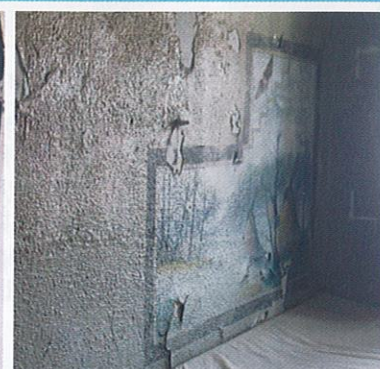
# Art Club



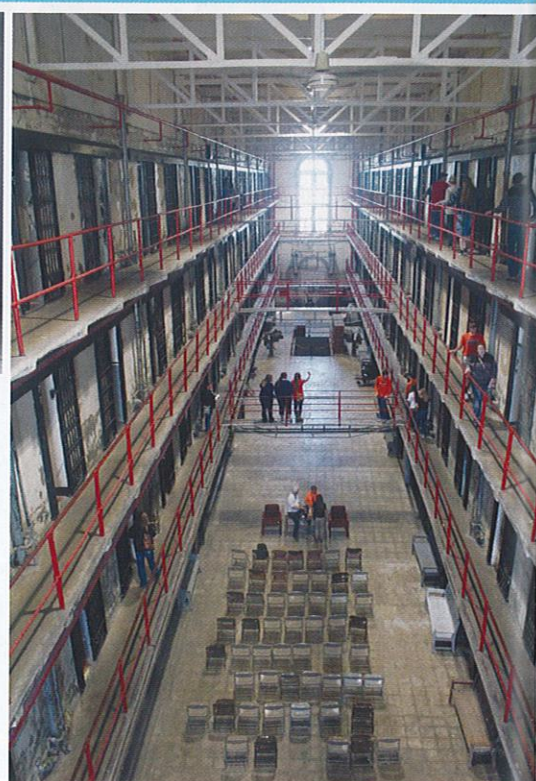
On April 25, the Art Club visited the old Missouri State Penitentiary in Jefferson City. The tour guide is a former guard at the prison, and the students learned details about the facility and its operations. "I learned that there were a lot of famous criminals in the Missouri Penitentiary. Before the western states gained statehood, every criminal from Missouri on west was sent to the the Missouri Penitentiary. The guide told stories about prisoners who had tried to escape. It was a highly informative trip," said Kameron McGinnis.



Megan McHenry and Triston Morrison sit in the gas chamber, while others look through the windows. When executions took place, family members and officials sat on bleachers outside the chamber to witness the death of the inmate.



A nature scene is painted on a cell wall. Art Club members also observed architecture and graffiti. "I thought the buildings were beautiful," said Celia Kincaid. "I love old brick buildings, and those were amazing. It was cool to see how the building changed with the times."



The day before Thanksgiving, Student Council and SHOUT Club members traveled to Rehoboth Baptist Church in Kirksville to assist Chariton Valley Association in serving a community meal.



Moved indoors because of chilly weather, Sierra Snyder and Abi Hartwig watch *Footloose*, lying on the elementary gym floor. Student Council planned the event, called "Movie on the Hill," instead of a fall dance.



As part of Safe and Sober activities, Melissa Wagster and Robbyn Wagster are checked at the driveway by Coury Blakely to see if they are wearing seatbelts. Student Council presented a video on safe and sober driving, and 79% of students grades 7-12 took a voluntary pledge to be safe and sober.



The bleachers for home ballgames hosted the Rage Cage, the designated student section. Each home game had a different dress-up theme for fans, such as Frat Party and Pajama Night.

# Student Council



Student Council was sponsored by Lovegreen Ford of Kirksville in a Drive 4 UR School event. The Student Council encouraged members of our community to test drive a vehicle at Lovegreen's, and then members rode with test drivers. Student Council received money for each test drive. Bill Lovegreen attended a home game and presented Student Council president Hannah Reeves and vice-president Mechelia Potter with a check for \$1,545.60.

Each year, FBLA and Art Club members team up with Mrs. Nancy Platz for Hearts for Heroes, a project that makes Valentine's Day cards for veterans. After the cards are finished, students can enter their cards into a competition for prizes. Mrs. Platz takes the cards to a local veterans home, and they are personally delivered. She also mails out cards to active duty service members. Pictured at right are Brandon Jochimsen, Justin McHenry, Noah Reeves and Kacie Mihalovich.

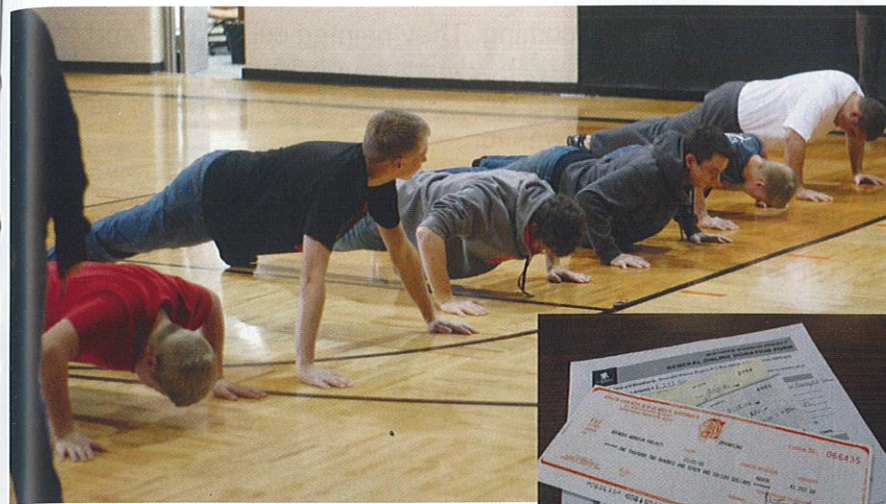


# Do Good Things

All around our school, students are doing good things. They are helping others, improving the school, working together and demonstrating good citizenship. They are building and shaping the future, today.



Adair County R-II shows its support to a local alumni member whose son was diagnosed with leukemia. Leukemia is a progressive disease in which the bone marrow and other blood-forming organs produce an abnormal amount of white blood cells. Students in classes Kindergarten through Seniors were challenged to raise \$100 per class to donate to the family to help pay for medical expenses. Each class was given three weeks to meet the goal, and every student in every class that raised \$100 got to throw a pie at their choice of teacher. In an all school assembly on February 28, about 100 students threw a pie at elementary teachers, Mr. Doolin, Mrs. Shipman or Mrs. Grissom.



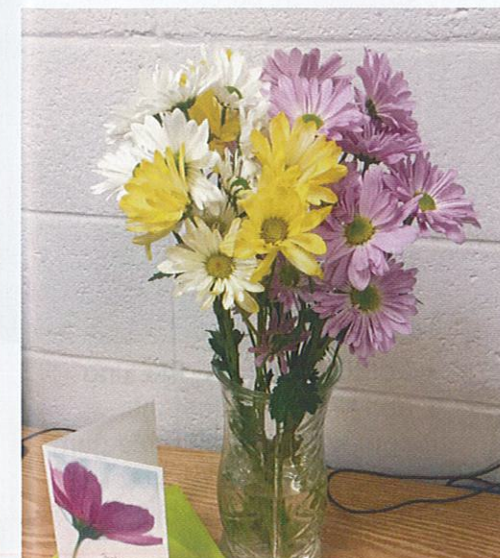
The high school public speaking class presented a Veterans Day program, and in concurrence, they hosted a fundraiser for the Wounded Warrior Project. Students and faculty were invited to find sponsors and participate in a push-up marathon to raise money. BHS donated \$1,237.50 to the Wounded Warrior Project.



As part of the Veterans Day program, Celia Kincaid, Ty Gottman, Morgan Magruder and Megan McHenry demonstrate how to fold a flag, as Hannah Reeves explains the meaning of each fold.



Megan McHenry sings "The Ballad of the Green Beret" as Leah Grissom tap dances.



Throughout the school year, students in Mrs. Wolter's 7th and 8th grade English classes provided Random Acts of Kindness to people around the school. The acts were to show appreciation or encouragement, or just to shower someone with love. Gifts included flowers, cookies, candy, cards, soda and handwritten notes. "My favorite was the Basket of Cheer," said Madeline McGinnis. "Everything in the basket was yellow--packets of lemonade, sticky notes, candy, Carmex and highlighters. It was pretty."

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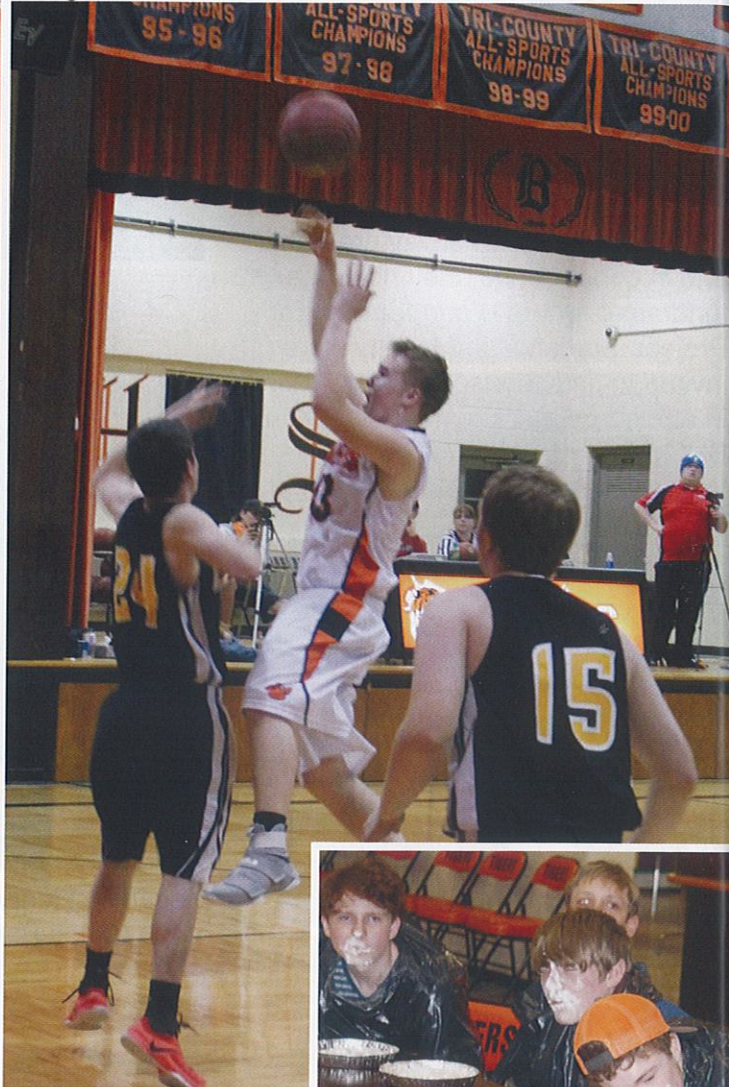
**Tigers are Strong and Mighty**

The varsity cheerleaders organized Spirit Week for homecoming. They painted ceiling tiles and decorated with streamers and vinyl cut-outs around the school. They also planned the pep rally on Friday. "We put in a lot of work," said Megan McHenry. "It was a stressful week because two of our cheerleaders were sick, but everything came together, and it was fun."

The freshman class displays their school spirit on Friday.



Junior Zane Sykes makes a layup in a challenging game. The Tigers were undermanned, with five players missing due to sickness and injury, and lost to Keytesville 57-13. Zane was the high scorer for the game.

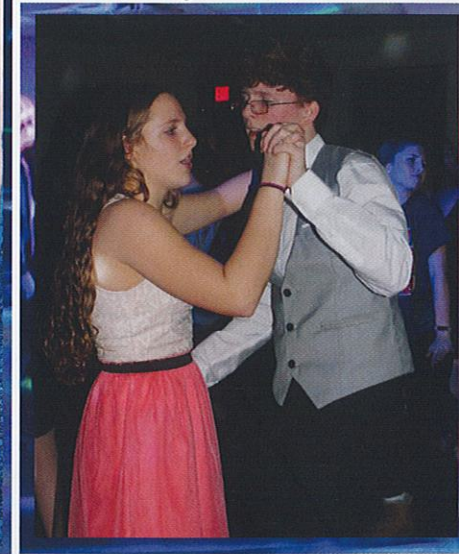


Junior Hannah Reeves puts the ball up. In the first quarter, the Lady Tigers trailed closely behind Keytesville, then pulled ahead before half time and kept a strong lead, winning the game 53-31. Hannah made 4 points in the game.

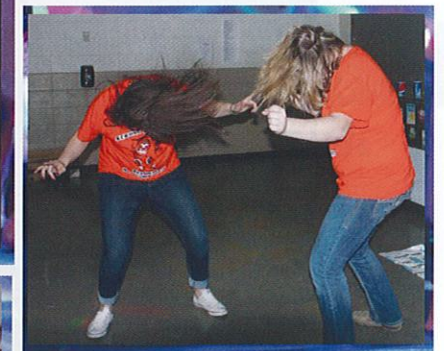


# Homecoming 2017

Seniors Colt Acton and Mechelia Potter were crowned Homecoming King and Queen. The candidates didn't do as much campaigning throughout the week as in the past, but Colt and Mechelia passed out the traditional senior cupcakes on Friday. "The plan was to give them out in the cafeteria at the beginning of the lunch shifts. We didn't know that Chandi was going to have the classes vote before lunch. So, basically our campaign plan was a failure," said Mechelia Potter. "I'm glad we still won. It's been great!"



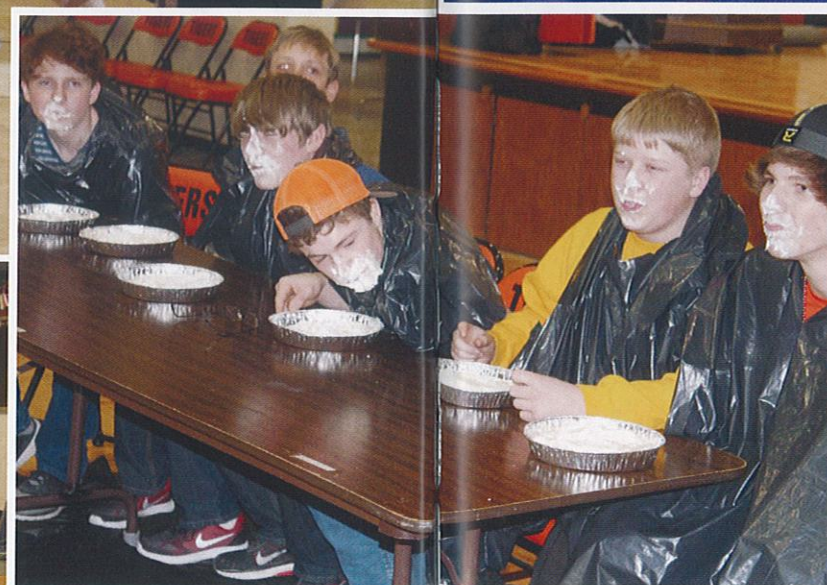
Averi Acton and Ty Bushnell



Chaperones Chandi March and Chelsea Clark swing their hair to a rock-n-roll song.



Homecoming Court: Eighth graders Austin Peterson and Madeline McGinnis; freshmen Ty Bushnell and Makenna Bushnell; Prince and Princess, 7th graders Connor Melendez and Abi Hartwig; Queen and King, seniors Mechelia Potter and Colt Acton; sophomores Coury Blakely and Kameron McGinnis; Juniors Ty Gottman and Hannah Reeves, standing in for Celia Kincaid



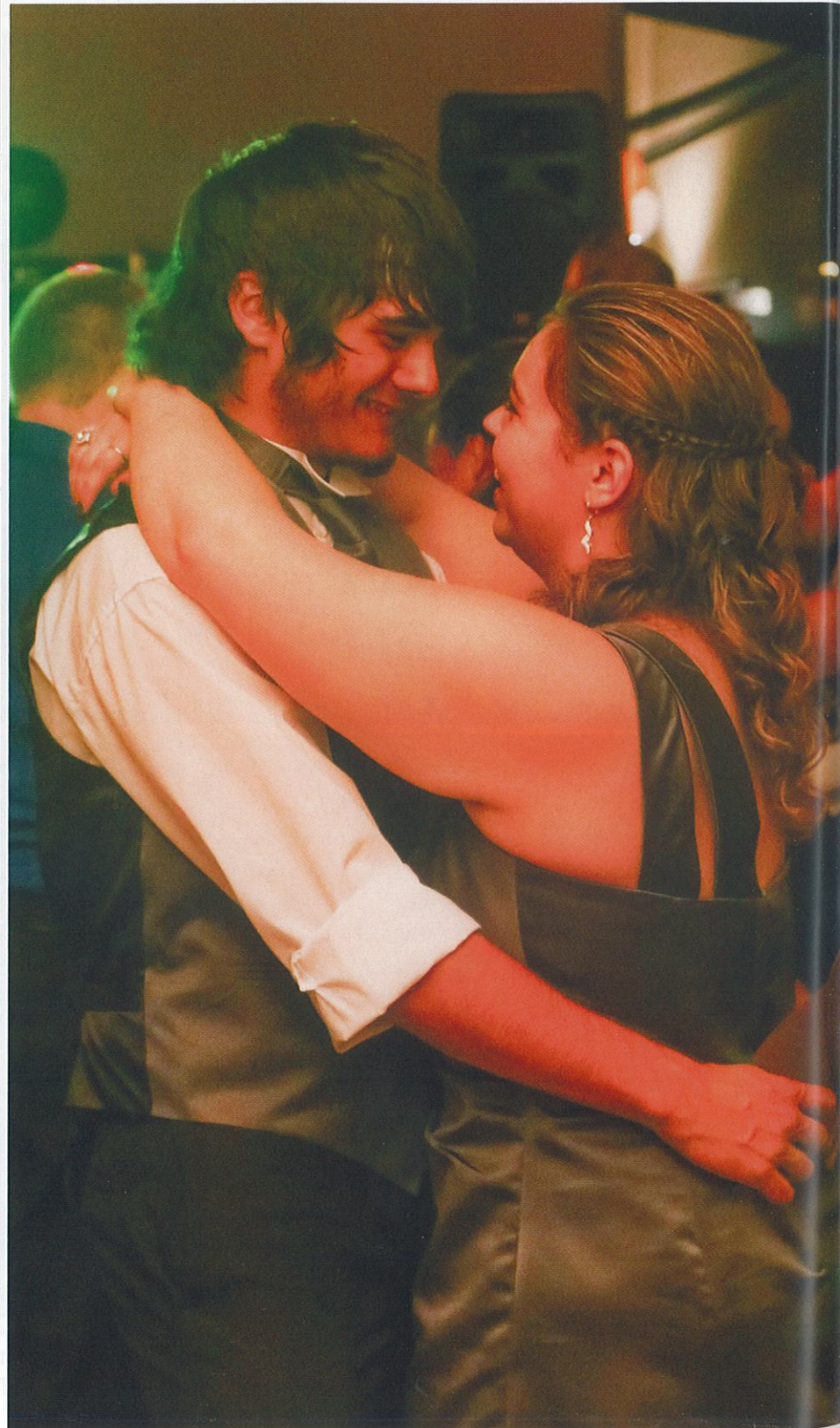
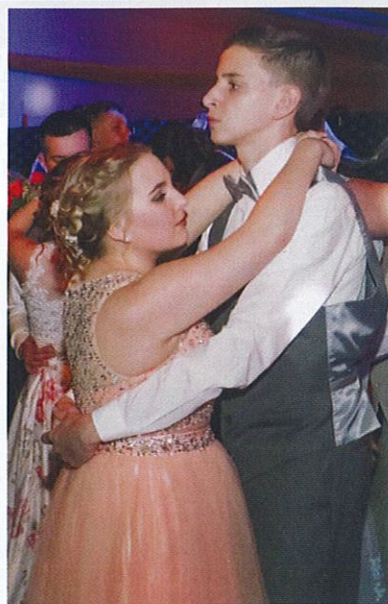
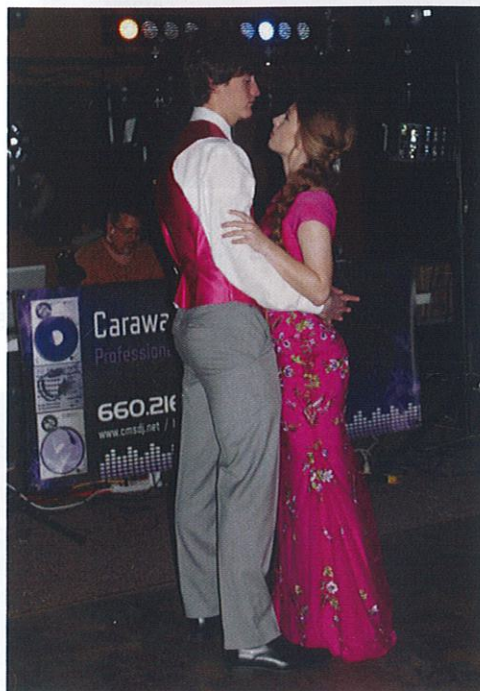
For the pep rally, the king and prince contestants compete to find bubble gum in a pan of whipped cream and be the first to blow a bubble.



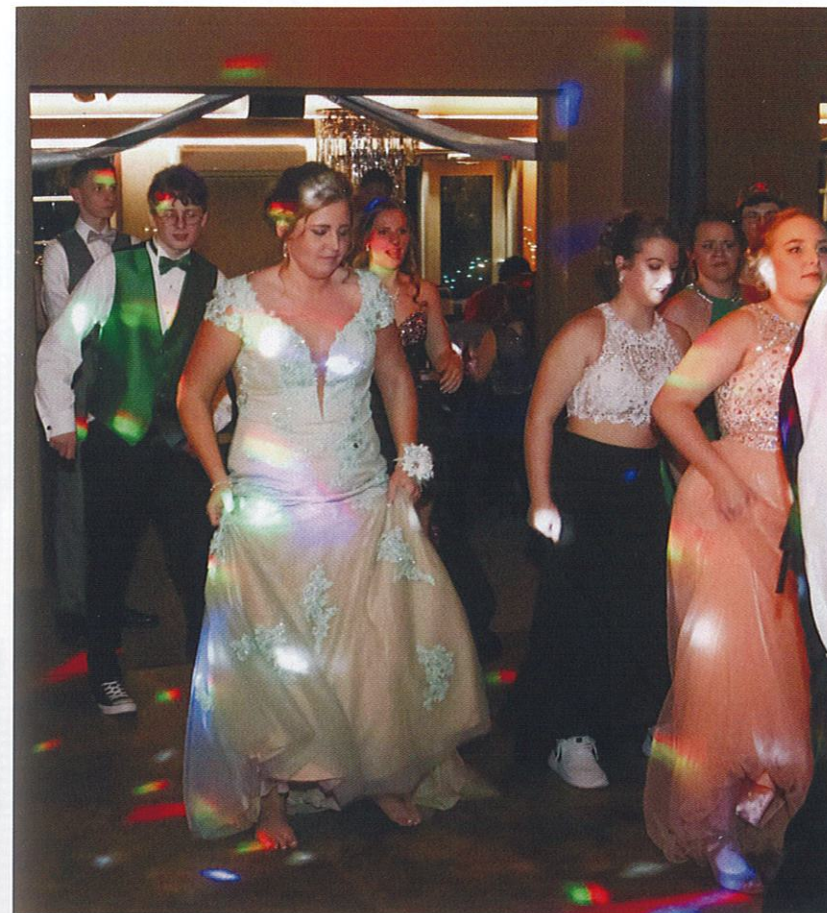
Students get low to "Apple Bottom Jeans." Coordinated dances are the most popular dances. Everyone jumps in the line dance for songs like "Cupid Shuffle" and "Cha Cha Slide."

After the homecoming game, a dance was held in the cafeteria. Caraway Music Systems was the deejay. Some students wore formal attire, yet it was acceptable to wear jeans and a nice shirt. "There was a good turnout for the dance. I think the homecoming dance is always the biggest dance," said Ty Gottman.

# Written in the Stars



Above: Jackie Sidenstricker and Drew Ford, Caleb Doubet and Kacie Mihalovich, Leah Grissom and Noah Reeves  
Right: Travis Nilson and Carly Turner



## Junior Senior Prom

"Written in the Stars" was the chosen theme for this year's junior and senior prom, held at the Kirksville Country Club on April 8. Celia Kincaid talked about the challenges of planning and decorating, "Coordinating the different colors of blues and creating the moon was a huge challenge." She continued, "In the end it all came together and looked elegant."

"The country club was beautiful," said senior Hailey Lawrence. "I liked being able to walk outside on the balcony to look at the lake."

From midnight until 4 a.m., the After-Prom committee hosted activities at Leisure World.

"Prom is about having fun with your friends and making memories. I enjoyed every part of prom this year," said Breann Turner.

## Grand March

Before prom, students participate in Grand March in the high school gym. The gym is decorated by the After Prom committee, and students and their dates are introduced in front of a full audience of family and friends. The finale is the crowning of the prom royalty.



Saydie Potter escorts her twin Mechelia Potter because Mechelia's date couldn't make it to Grand March.

The 2017 prom king was Colt Acton and the prom queen was Breann Turner. Breann said, "It really surprised me. I wasn't expecting it at all. It was really heartwarming and humbling." When asked what his thoughts were Colt replied, "Unexpected, happy, grateful."



The class celebrated birthdays with parties and music. Harli Mihalevich likes pickles, so her party was a pickle party. We celebrated Breann's birthday with her favorite food, pizza.

Tyler Watson enjoys the food for Skylar Haskell's birthday party. Skylar wasn't at school on her birthday, but the yearbook class went ahead and had a Mexican-themed party without her. "I didn't know we were going to have a party or I would have been here," Skylar said the next day.

Music always leads to dancing for the girls. When a song would play that they could Boot Scootin' Boogie to, they would jump up and move the tables out of the way so they had room to dance.

When Ty Gottman's hair gets long, it gets very curly. Mrs. McGinnis begged him to allow her to gel and style his curls. He was a good sport and let her do it, but he wasn't convinced that he should style his hair every day.

# Yearbook Staff

At a Walsworth workshop in Macon, the speaker was having trouble with the projector. Tyler Watson brought the house down with,

*"Well, I can't work on it. It's not a diesel."*

"I think we had the most fun with the Student Life sections. We laughed hilariously coming up with the statements for "You might be from Brashear." With every one, someone had a story to share."

*Nate Stewart*



Adviser Diane McGinnis, Nate Stewart, Skylar Haskell, Celia Kincaid, Ty Gottman, Tyler Watson, Harli Mihalevich, Kameron McGinnis, Robbyn Wagster and Breann Turner



**Fall Baseball**

Back row: Assistant Coach Chris Prewitt, Colt Acton, Coach Alex Michaud  
 Second row: Drew Ford, Quin Allen, Levi Blankenship, John Gerhold, Zane Sykes, Sebastian Melendez, Wyatt Reeves, Austin Ray  
 Front Row: Brhet Place, Justin Leedom, Jacob Bleything, Aden Zentz, manager Garrett Housman



**Softball**

Left to right: Coach Chris Prewitt, Bailey Moncrief, Aubrey Bleything, Harli Mihalevich, Hannah Reeves, Saydie Potter, Hailey Lawrence, Mechelia Potter, Emily Mason, Averl Acton, Alexa Higgins, Tanna Garlock, Megan McHenry, Assistant Coach Alex Michaud



**Student Council**

Back row: Connor Melendez, Sierra Snyder, Callie Althide, Madeline McGinnis, Jace Snelling  
 Third row: Wyatt Potter, Coury Blakely, Alexa Higgins, Averl Acton, Cody Mallett  
 Second row: Tyler Watson, Breann Turner, Harli Mihalevich, Zane Sykes  
 Front row: Leah Grissom, Mechelia Potter, Hannah Reeves, Kameron McGinnis



**SHOUT Club**

Back row: Celia Kincaid, Madison Taylor, Wyatt Reeves, Zoe Blankenship  
 Fourth row: Trace Gottman, Hannah Grissom, Callie Althide, Madeline McGinnis, Clayton Johnson, Melissa Wagster, Drew Ford  
 Third row: Eliza Magruder, Kyleigh Cima, Brandon Jochimsen, Wyatt Potter, Coury Blakely, Alexa Higgins, Kameron McGinnis, Levi Blankenship, Sebastian Melendez, Fisher Reese  
 Second row: Morgan Magruder, Aubrey Bleything, Robbyn Wagster, Mechelia Potter, Hannah Reeves, Harli Mihalevich, Austin Ray, Quin Allen, Triston Morrison  
 Front row: Sponsor Nancy Peterson, Sponsor Tammy Wolter, Sponsor Diane McGinnis, Megan McHenry, Breann Turner, Hailey Lawrence, Saydie Potter, Sponsor Erin Moots, Sponsor Tonya Wood, Sponsor Jessie O'Dell



**Junior High Boys Basketball**

Back row: Quin Allen, Wyatt Reeves, Brhet Place, Cody Mallett, Garrett Housman, Austin Peterson, Brandon Jochimsen  
 Front row: Connor Melendez, Fisher Reese, Trace Gottman, Jace Snelling  
 Not pictured: Coach Wade Sorenson, Assistant Coach Chad Zeigler



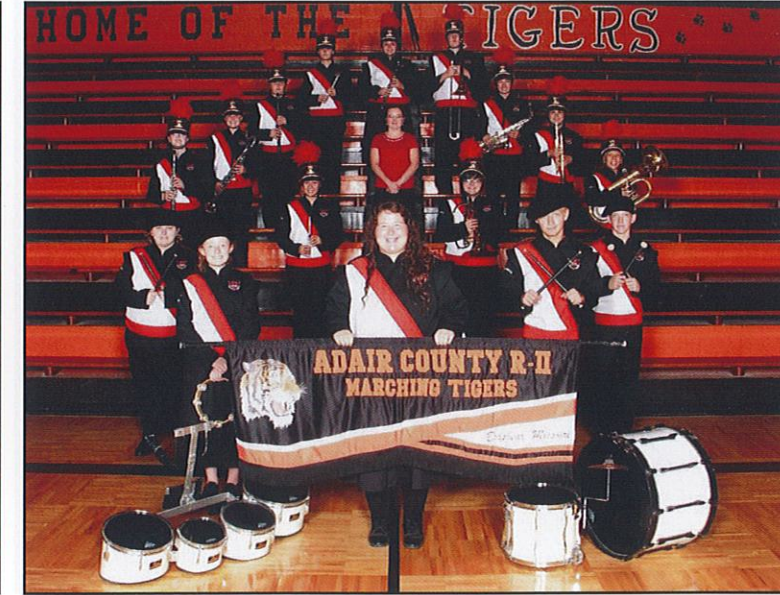
**Junior High Girls Basketball**

Back row: Aubrey Bleything, Abilene Hartwig, Tanna Garlock, Coach Chris Prewitt, Kynleigh White, Sierra Snyder, Callie Althide  
 Front row: Emily Mason, Hannah Grissom  
 Not pictured: Assistant Coach Emily Reardon



**Choir**

Back row: Morgan Magruder, Celia Kincaid  
 Second row: Eliza Magruder, Director Jessie O'Dell, Kameron McGinnis  
 Front row: Megan McHenry, Madeline McGinnis



**Marching Band**

Back row: Tanna Garlock, Kameron McGinnis, Cody Mallett  
 Seventh row: Kyleigh Cima, Wyatt Potter  
 Sixth row: Zoe Blankenship, Director Jessie O'Dell  
 Fifth row: Madison Taylor, Connor Melendez  
 Fourth row: Mechelia Potter, Morgan Magruder  
 Third row: Jackie Sidenstricker, Brandon Jochimsen  
 Second row: Madeline McGinnis, Levi Blankenship  
 Front row: Saydie Potter



**Varsity Boys Basketball**

Back row: Colton Sayre, Brhet Place, Cody Mallett, Aden Zentz, Triston Morrison  
 Second row: Wyatt Potter, Drew Ford, Quin Allen, Wyatt Reeves, Levi Blankenship  
 Front row: Zane Sykes, Jacob Bleything, Colt Acton, Ty Gottman  
 Not pictured: Coach Wade Sorenson, Assistant Coach Chad Zeigler



**Varsity Girls Basketball**

Back row: Coach Chris Prewitt, manager Hannah Grissom, Averri Acton, Hannah Reeves, Tanna Garlock, manager Callie Althide, manager Aubrey Bleything  
 Front row: Harli Mihalevich, Saydie Potter, Hailey Lawrence, Emily Mason, Alexa Higgins  
 Not pictured: Assistant Coach Emily Reardon



**5th and 6th Grade Academic Bowl**

Back row: Coach Joanne Kincaid, Wesley McGinnis, Landon Fisher, Avery Zentz, Assistant Coach Austin Ray  
 Front row: Rhett Whitlow, Deyton White, Lacey Fisher, Ashton Ray



**National Honor Society**

Back row: Morgan Magruder, Wyatt Potter, Kameron McGinnis, Jackie Sidenstricker  
 Middle row: Sponsor Christy Grissom, Megan McHenry, Hannah Reeves, Leah Grissom, Jacob Bleything  
 Front row: Kacie Mihalovich, Mechelia Potter, Breann Turner, Saydie Potter, Hailey Lawrence



**Varsity Cheerleaders**

Back row: Megan McHenry, Mechelia Potter, Breann Turner  
 Front row: Eliza Magruder



**Junior High Cheerleaders**

Left to right: Kynleigh White, Madison Taylor, Zoe Blankenship



**Junior High Academic Bowl**

Back row: Coach Tammy Wolter, Justin McHenry, Brandon Jochimsen, Austin Ray, Connor Melendez  
 Front row: Noah Reeves, Tanna Garlock, Ty Bushnell, John Gerhold



**Varsity Academic Bowl**

Back row: Coach Michael Killen, Hannah Reeves, Celia Kincaid, Leah Grissom, Kameron McGinnis  
 Front row: Jacob Bleything, Hailey Lawrence, Megan McHenry, Aden Zentz



### Junior High Track

Back row: Trace Gottman, Garrett Housman, Coach Anna Nelson, Brandon Jochimsen  
 Front row: Jace Snelling, Callie Althide, Hannah Grissom, Kynleigh White, Connor Melendez  
 Not pictured: Coach Wade Sorenson



### Varsity Track

Back row: Coach Anna Nelson, Trevor Love, Noah Reeves, Brhet Place, Cody Mallett, Levi Blankenship, John Gerhold, Justin McHenry  
 Middle row: Quin Allen, Alexa Higgins, Averi Acton, Tanna Garlock, Aubrey Bleything  
 Front row: Zoe Blankenship, Hannah Reeves, Kacie Mihalovich, Emily Mason  
 Not pictured: Coach Wade Sorenson



### Renaissance

Back row: Cody Mallett, Austin Ray, Brandon Jochimsen, Wyatt Reeves, Brhet Place, John Gerhold, Jace Snelling, Trace Gottman, Connor Melendez  
 Fifth row: Sierra Snyder, Abilene Hartwig, Kyleigh Cima, Kynleigh White, Madison Taylor, Madeline McGinnis, Callie Althide, Hannah Grissom  
 Fourth row: Ty Bushnell, Makenna Bushnell, Noah Reeves, Zoe Blankenship, Tanna Garlock, Alexa Higgins, Averi Acton, Fisher Reese, Garrett Housman  
 Third row: Justin McHenry, Drew Ford, Coury Blakely, Wyatt Potter, Aden Zentz, Kameron McGinnis, Emily Mason, Brandon Peterson  
 Second row: Megan McHenry, Celia Kincaid, Morgan Magruder, Harli Mihalevich, Hannah Reeves, Leah Grissom, Ty Gottman, Zane Sykes, Devin Morrison  
 Front row: Breann Turner, Mechelia Potter, Jackie Sidenstricker, Saydie Potter, Hailey Lawrence, Kacie Mihalovich, Jacob Bleything, Colt Acton



### Art Club

Back row: Morgan Magruder, Justin McHenry, Brhet Place, Zoe Blankenship, Wyatt Reeves, Averi Acton, Audrey Bleything  
 Third row: Levi Blankenship, Quin Allen, Coury Blakely, Wyatt Potter, Aden Zentz, Kameron McGinnis, Emily Mason  
 Second row: Saydie Potter, Breann Turner, Mechelia Potter, Harli Mihalevich, Bailey Moncrief, Colton Sayre  
 Front row: Megan McHenry, Celia Kincaid, Hannah Reeves, Leah Grissom, Sponsor Kelli Baker



### Spring Baseball

Back row: Assistant Coach Chris Prewitt, Brhet Place, Zane Sykes, Sebastian Melendez, Colt Acton, Cody Mallett, Travis Nilson, Levi Blankenship, manager Garrett Housman, Coach Alex Michaud  
 Front row: Quin Allen, John Gerhold, Wyatt Reeves, Jacob Bleything, Austin Ray, Aden Zentz, Colton Sayre



### FBLA

Back Row: Trace Gottman, Austin Ray, Brandon Jochimsen, Wyatt Reeves, Brhet Place, John Gerhold  
 Fifth Row: Lathan Grigorch, Kyleigh Cima, Kynleigh White, Abilene Hartwig, Madison Taylor, Austin Peterson, Madeline McGinnis, Callie Althide, Hannah Grissom, Garrett Housman  
 Fourth Row: Ty Bushnell, Thomas Dore, Quin Allen, Noah Reeves, Zoe Blankenship, Alexa Higgins, Aubrey Bleything, Averi Acton, Fisher Reese, Emily Mason, Sebastian Melendez  
 Third Row: Sponsor Martha Reese, Justin McHenry, Drew Ford, Coury Blakely, Wyatt Potter, Levi Blankenship, Aden Zentz, Kameron McGinnis, Colton Sayre, Brandon Peterson  
 Second Row: Megan McHenry, Celia Kincaid, Morgan Magruder, Harli Mihalevich, Hannah Reeves, Leah Grissom, Ty Gottman, Zane Sykes, Devin Morrison  
 Front Row: Breann Turner, Mechelia Potter, Jackie Sidenstricker, Saydie Potter, Hailey Lawrence, Kacie Mihalovich, Tyler Watson, Jacob Bleything, Colt Acton, Trevor Love



### Senior Class Prom

Back row: Trevor Love, Colt Acton, Tyler Watson, Jacob Bleything  
 Front row: Miranda Middleton, Kacie Mihalovich, Saydie Potter, Breann Turner, Hailey Lawrence, Mechelia Potter, Jackie Sidenstricker



### Junior Class Prom

Back row: Megan McHenry, Morgan Magruder, Skylar Haskell, Leah Grissom, Hannah Reeves, Harli Mihalevich, Bailey Moncrief, Celia Kincaid  
 Front row: Zane Sykes, Ty Gottman, Travis Nilson, Devin Morrison





3rd-4th Grade Girls Basketball

Left to right: Tayla Garlock, Paige Stutsman, Coach Brad Althide, Macy Darnel, Cassidy Althide, Madison Moots, Bobbianne Magruder, Andrea Shaw, Assistant Coach Hannah Wehar, Bailee Crandall, Heidi Lay



5th-6th Grade Girls Basketball

Left to right: Emma Harsell, Lacey Fisher, Coach Chelsea Clark, Lana Vansickle, Haley McNamar, Aubrey Livingston, Alexa Livingston, Tenlee Shaw, Coach Amanda Borgmeyer, Mckenna Hartwig, Mackenzie Baker



Tiny Cubs Basketball

Left to right: Taygon Gorman, Landon Shannon, Cade Erwin, Coleman Darnel, Isabella Ambrosia, Lonny Higgins



Tiny Cubs Basketball

Left to right: Korwin Norton, Gus Noe, Isaac Weibrecht, Madison Howard, Kaiden Gorman, Kaden Hettinger



5th Grade Boys Basketball

Left to right: Deyton White, Carson Erwin, Gunner Lonberger, Coach Sara Erwin, Jack Reeves, Max Montgomery, Coach Karissa Neimeier, Ashton Ray, Clancy Noe, Rhett Whitlow



6th Grade Boys Basketball

Back row: Coach Sara Erwin, Avery Zentz, Aden Shahan, Landon Fisher, Lucas Keller, Coach Karissa Niemeier  
Front row: Jeryn Weaver, Alex Houghton



Tiny Tigers Basketball

Left to right: Noah Shannon, Emma Newland, Heidi Lay, Weston Darnel, Bailee Crandall



Tiny Tigers Basketball

Back row: Jayden Kugler, Cole Erwin, Caleb Grissom  
Front row: Madison Moots, Bobbianne Magruder, Brynn Vogel

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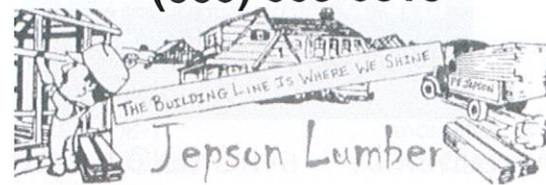
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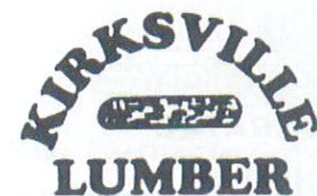
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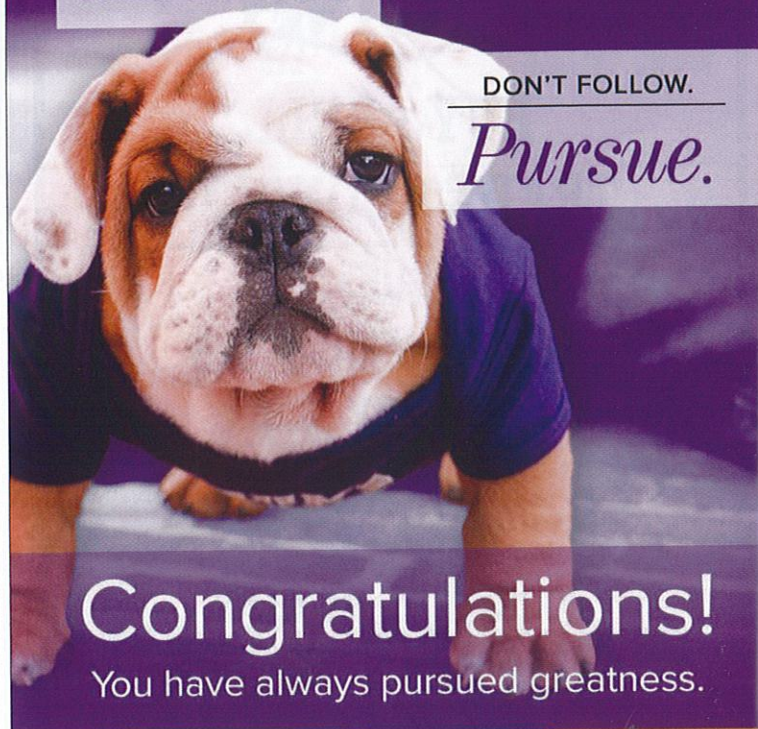
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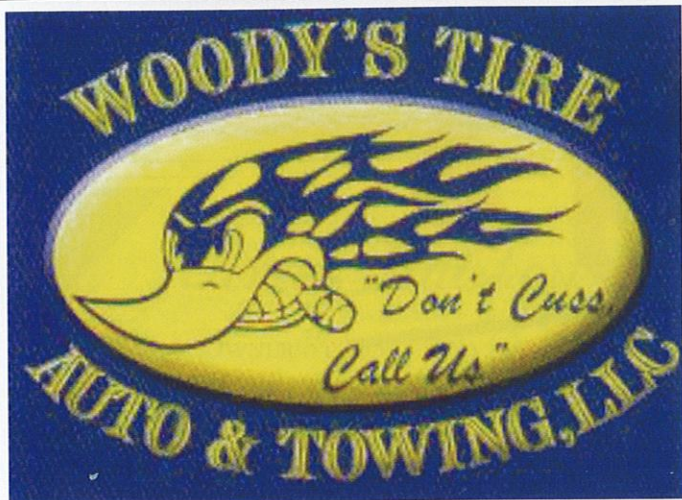


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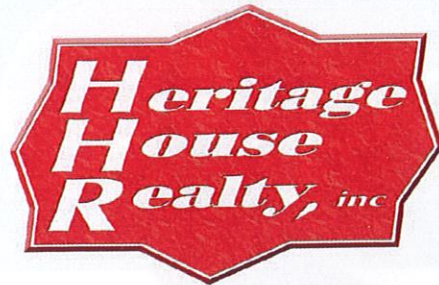


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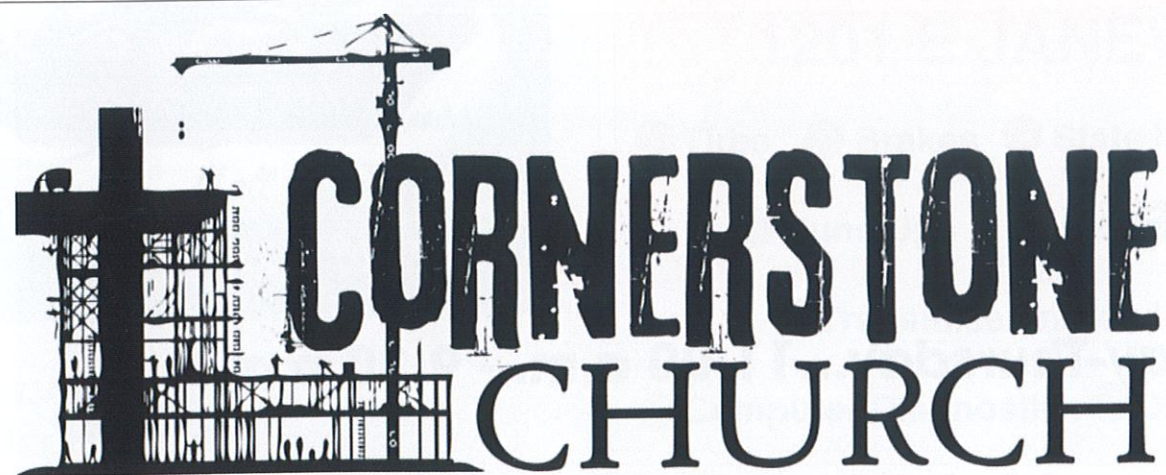
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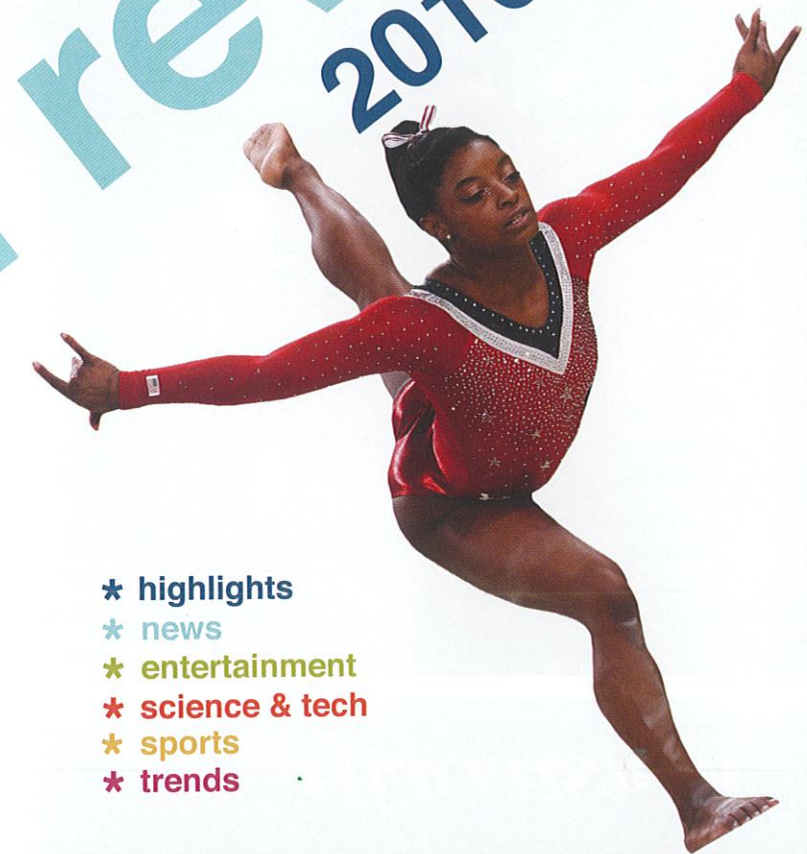
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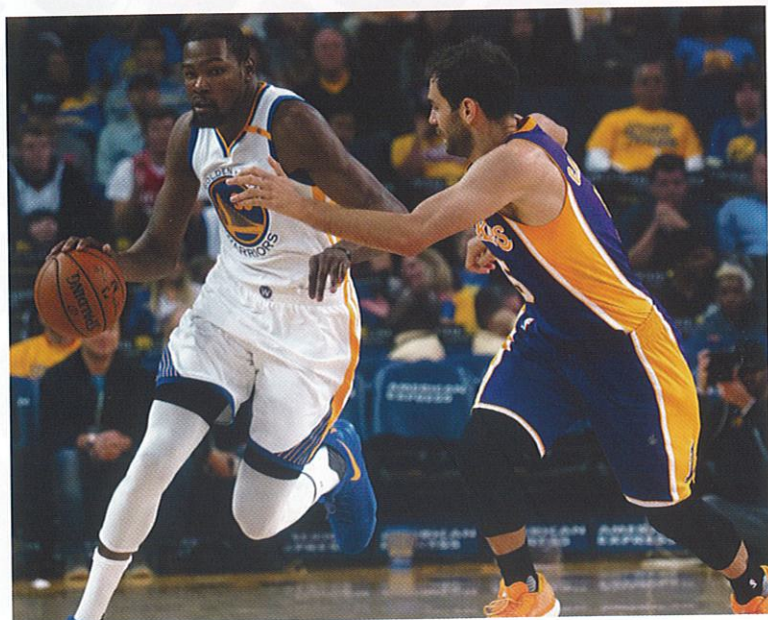


## Popular songs of the year

- “Closer” – The Chainsmokers
- “Cheap Thrills” – Sia
- “Treat You Better” – Shawn Mendes
- “7 Years” – Lukas Graham
- “One Dance” – Drake

Source: Spotify

▲ **Beyoncé** led all musical artists with nine Grammy nominations for her latest album “Lemonade.” Right behind her was Adele, who received five nominations for her hit album “25,” and won Album of the Year.



▲ NBA All-Star **Kevin Durant** surprised many when he chose to leave the Oklahoma City Thunder after eight seasons via free agency and sign with the Golden State Warriors.

◀ Netflix TV series “**Stranger Things**” told the story of a 12-year-old boy who disappeared from his Indiana town in the 1980s and the search to find him. The show became a viral hit with more than 14 million viewers in the first month.



◀ **Hurricane Matthew** pounded Caribbean nations before heading up the Southeast U.S. coast, making landfall in South Carolina Oct. 8. At one point, 2.3 million people were without power.



▲ **Donald J. Trump**, billionaire businessman and reality TV show star, was elected as the 45th president of the United States on Nov. 8. While his opponent, Democrat Hillary Clinton, the first woman nominated by a major political party to run for president, received more popular votes, Trump won in the Electoral College, 304-227. He is the first non-military leader and non-politician to win the job.

Trump said it was time for Americans “to come together as one united people.” In her concession speech, Clinton said, “Donald Trump is going to be our president. We owe him an open mind and a chance to lead.” President Obama reminded Americans that we are “all on the same team.”

Trump, a Republican, was inaugurated on Jan. 20 and went to work with a Republican majority in both the House and Senate.

▼ “**La La Land**,” a musical romantic comedy starring Ryan Gosling and Emma Stone was nominated for 14 **Academy Awards**, tied for the most ever by one movie. The nominations included Best Picture, Gosling for Best Actor and Stone for Best Actress.

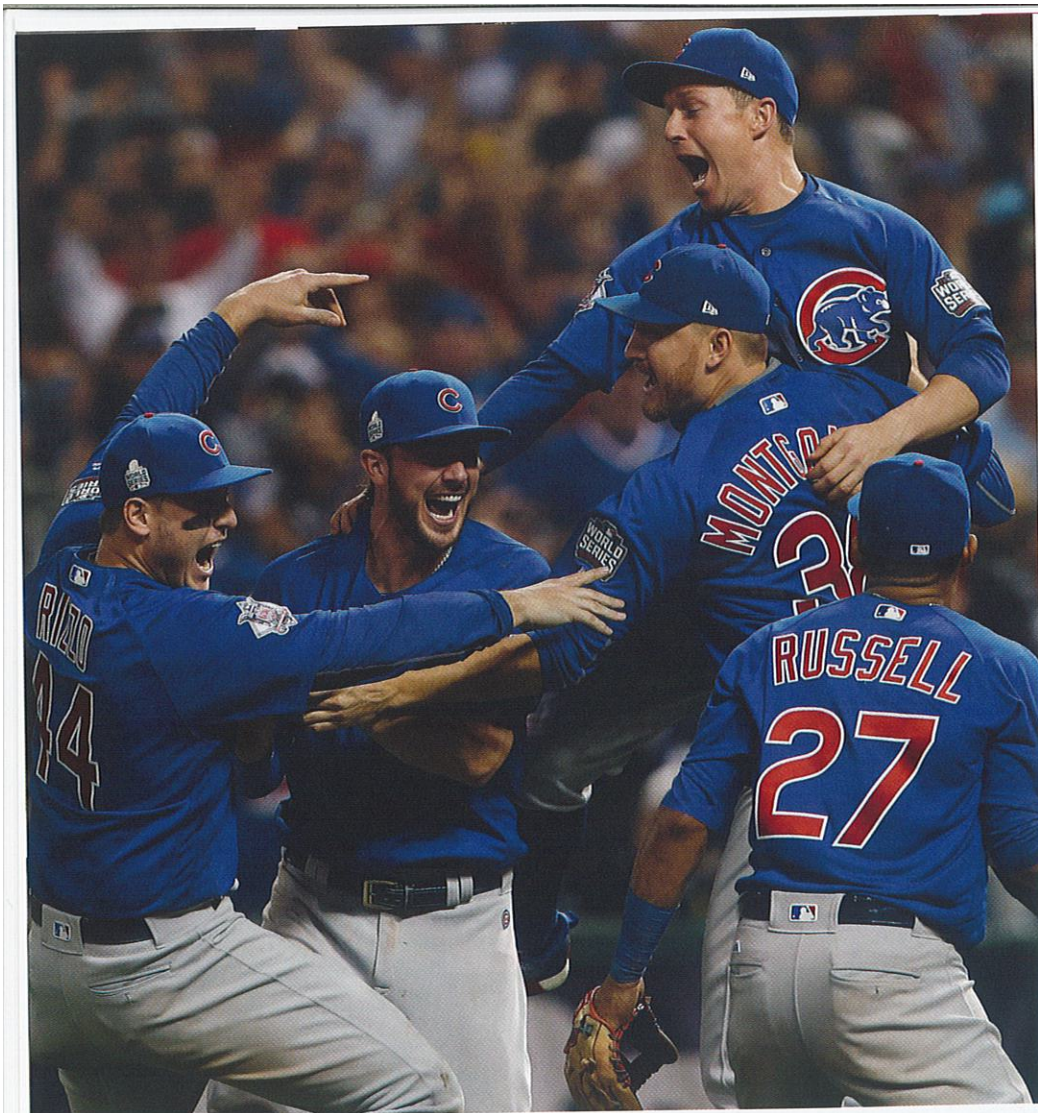


◀ Samsung’s newest Android smartphone, the **Galaxy Note7**, was discontinued after less than two months when it was discovered that battery defects led to excessive heat, causing fires and even explosions.



◀ Twitter discontinued its short-form video service **Vine**. The decision was made so Twitter could focus on live streaming with its Periscope product, rather than Vine’s short video loops.





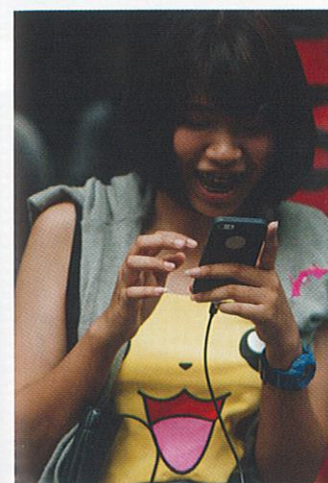
◀ After 108 years, it finally happened. **The Chicago Cubs** ended the longest championship drought in sports when they defeated the Cleveland Indians in seven games to win the 2016 World Series.

Naturally it wasn't easy, as the Cubs became just the sixth team in baseball history to overcome a three-games-to-one deficit to do it. The seventh and final game dramatically went into extra innings, and through a rain delay, before Chicago clinched an 8-7 win.

The city of Chicago estimated that nearly five million fans swarmed into downtown Chicago two days later to attend the Cubs victory parade.



◀ For the second straight year, Alabama and Clemson played in the championship game of the **College Football Playoffs**. This time the Tigers beat the Crimson Tide, 35-31, to win Clemson's first national title in 36 years. Quarterback Deshaun Watson was the hero, throwing for 420 yards and three touchdowns, including the game winner with one second left.



◀ **Pokémon Go**, a new location-based augmented reality game, became a sensation. Millions of players took to the streets to hunt Pokémon with their mobile devices and the app sparked renewed interest in the 20-year-old franchise.

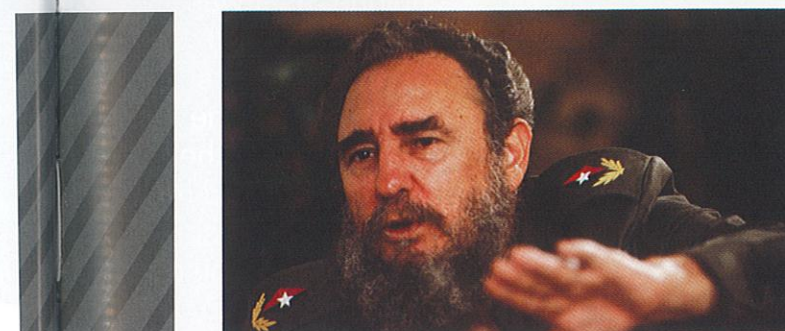


▲ Facebook CEO **Mark Zuckerberg** and his wife, **Priscilla Chan**, donated \$3 billion to the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative, their company aimed at curing, managing and preventing all disease by 2100.

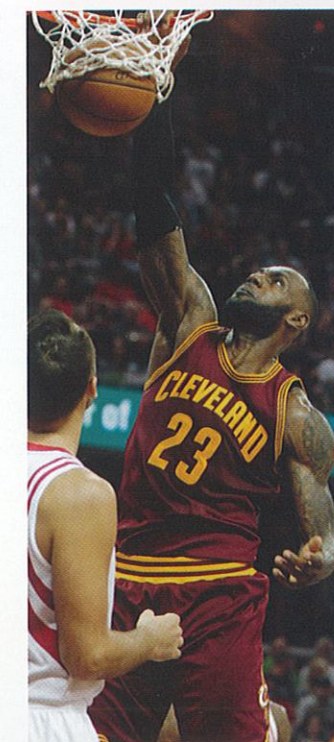


◀ **The Women's March** on Jan. 21 was a worldwide demonstration in support of women's rights and a variety of other causes, including health care reform and protection of the environment. The March began as an event in Washington, D.C., but companion events were held in cities worldwide and were estimated to involve nearly five million people.

▼ Drug manufacturer Mylan faced harsh criticism after costs of their **EpiPen** injection device, commonly used to treat those who suffer severe allergic reactions, soared to \$600. Mylan responded by releasing a generic version.



◀ **Fidel Castro**, who took over Cuba in a 1959 Communist revolution, died at age 90 in November. Castro also nearly brought the world to nuclear war in 1962 with the Cuban Missile Crisis.



➤ **LeBron James** led his hometown Cleveland Cavaliers to the 2016 NBA title in an upset win over the Golden State Warriors, who won 73 games during the regular season.

### Most Instagram Followers — U.S. Athletes

- LeBron James — 26.4 million
- Steph Curry — 13.9 million
- Ronda Rousey — 8.8 million
- Dwayne Wade — 8.1 million
- Kyrie Irving — 7.5 million

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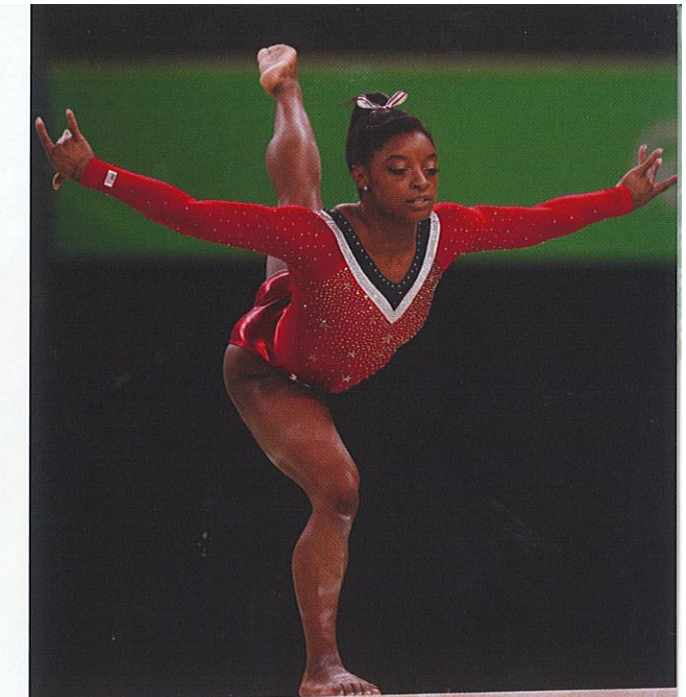




➤ NASCAR's **Jimmie Johnson** won his seventh Sprint Cup championship during the 2016 season, tying him with Richard Petty and Dale Earnhardt for the most all-time wins.



⤴ **The Harry Potter universe returned!** Author J.K. Rowling wrote "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child," a stage play script that was also published into a new book. A new movie, "Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them," was released based on one of Rowling's previous books and it became a box office hit.



⤴ The U.S. won more medals, 121, than any other country at the **2016 Summer Olympics in Brazil**. Stars included swimmer Michael Phelps, who won five gold medals in his final Olympics, and gymnast Simone Biles, who won four gold medals.

⤴ The number of **refugees around the world** reached 21.3 million, according to UNHCR, the United Nations human relief agency. Most of them were from Syria, Afghanistan and Somalia, and were fleeing war or persecution.



⤴ Audiences flocked to theaters around the December holidays to see "**Rogue One: A Star Wars Story**." The new stand-alone film was unique, as it was the first spin-off in the Star Wars series. It told the origin story of the Death Star, and the group of rebel spies who stole the plans to destroy it. "Rogue One" earned more than \$200 million at the box office in its first week, making it the second biggest December movie opening ever, only behind another Star Wars movie, "The Force Awakens."



⤴ After voting in favor of **Brexit**, as it was known, the United Kingdom began the process to exit from the European Union. People in England and Wales voted for Brexit, while Scotland and Northern Ireland wanted to stay in the EU.

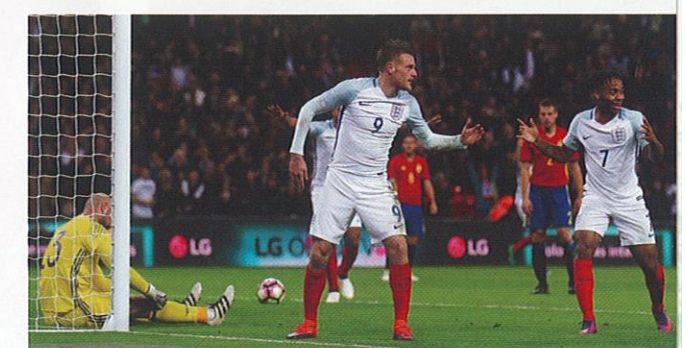
⤴ The **Mannequin Challenge** became a viral video trend. It involved groups of people freezing in action like mannequins while being recorded. The craze started with students but soon spread to various celebrities and sports teams.



**Top-selling video games of the year**

- "Uncharted 4: A Thief's End"
- "Tom Clancy's The Division"
- "The Elder Scrolls V: Skyrim"
- "Final Fantasy XV"
- "Madden 17"

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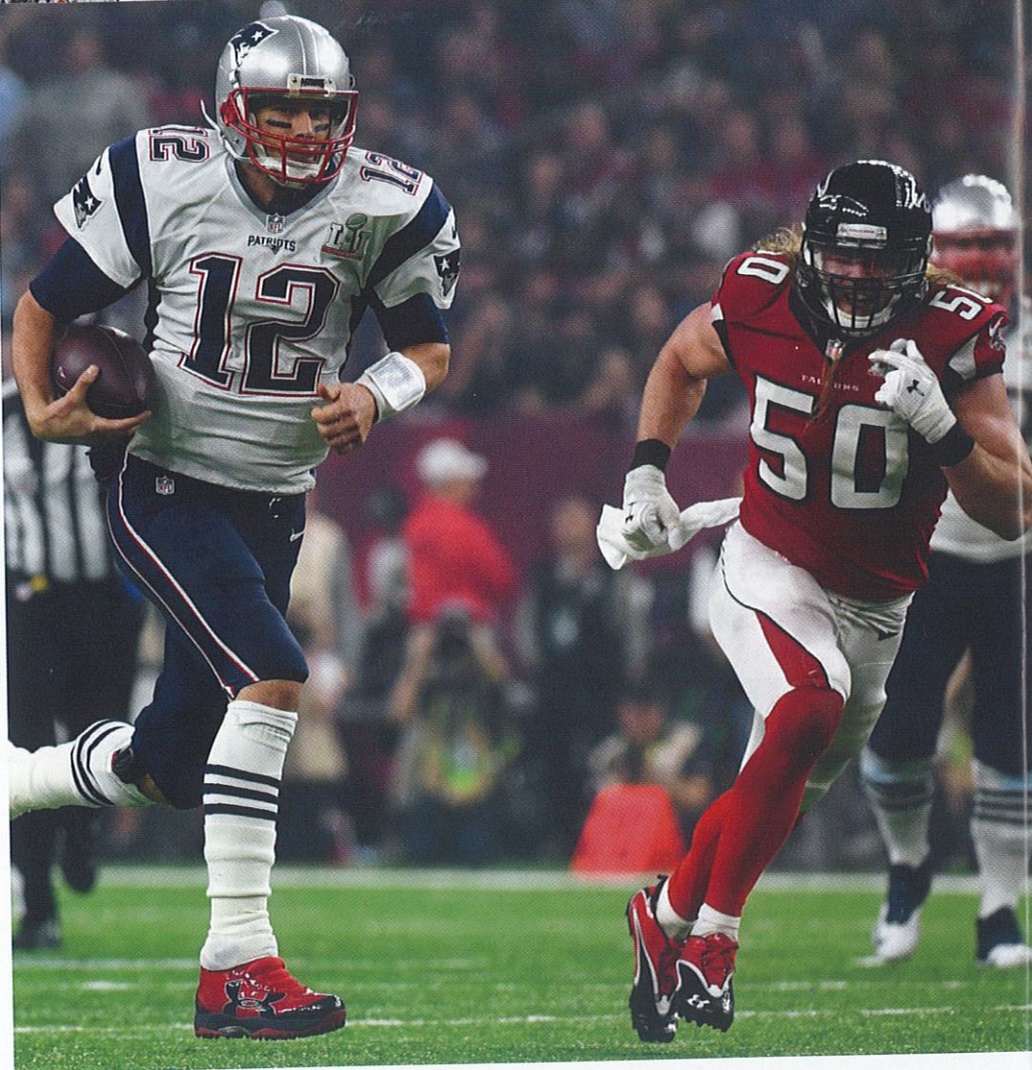


⤴ Aerospace company **SpaceX**, led by CEO Elon Musk, unveiled plans to build a new Interplanetary Transport System, with the goal of taking people to Mars and building a self-sustaining colony within the next 50-100 years.

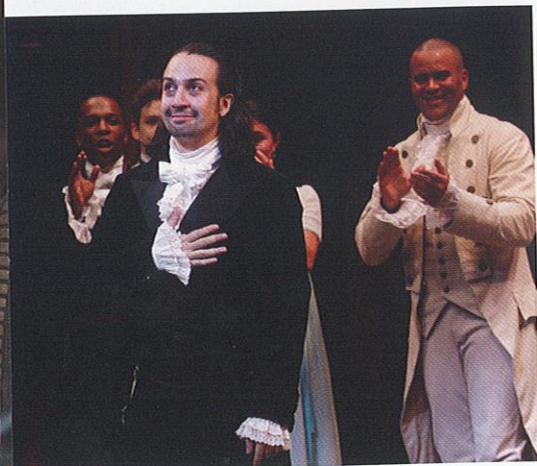
➤ **New England Patriots** quarterback Tom Brady led the biggest comeback in **Super Bowl** history in Super Bowl LI, as the Patriots rallied from down 28-3 in the second half to defeat the Atlanta Falcons, 34-28, in overtime.

Brady was chosen the game's MVP after throwing for 466 yards, another Super Bowl record, and leading New England to 19 fourth-quarter points to tie the game. It was the fifth championship for Brady and coach Bill Belichick.

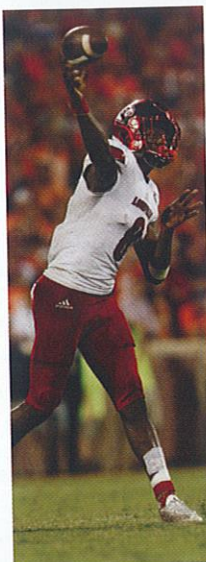
The heartbreaking loss for Atlanta prevented the Falcons from winning their first Super Bowl in team history.



└ **Fake news** stories appeared on Facebook, and there was debate as to whether it affected the 2016 presidential election. Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg said only 1 percent of the news on Facebook's news feed was fake and said it could not have swayed voters.



⤴ **"Hamilton,"** the hip-hop Broadway musical about our nation's first treasury secretary, Alexander Hamilton, continued its success without its author, Lin-Manuel Miranda, in the lead role.



◀ Louisville quarterback **Lamar Jackson** became the youngest player to ever win the Heisman Trophy at just 19 years old, after a sophomore season where he passed for more than 3,000 yards and 30 touchdowns and ran for 21 more touchdowns.



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