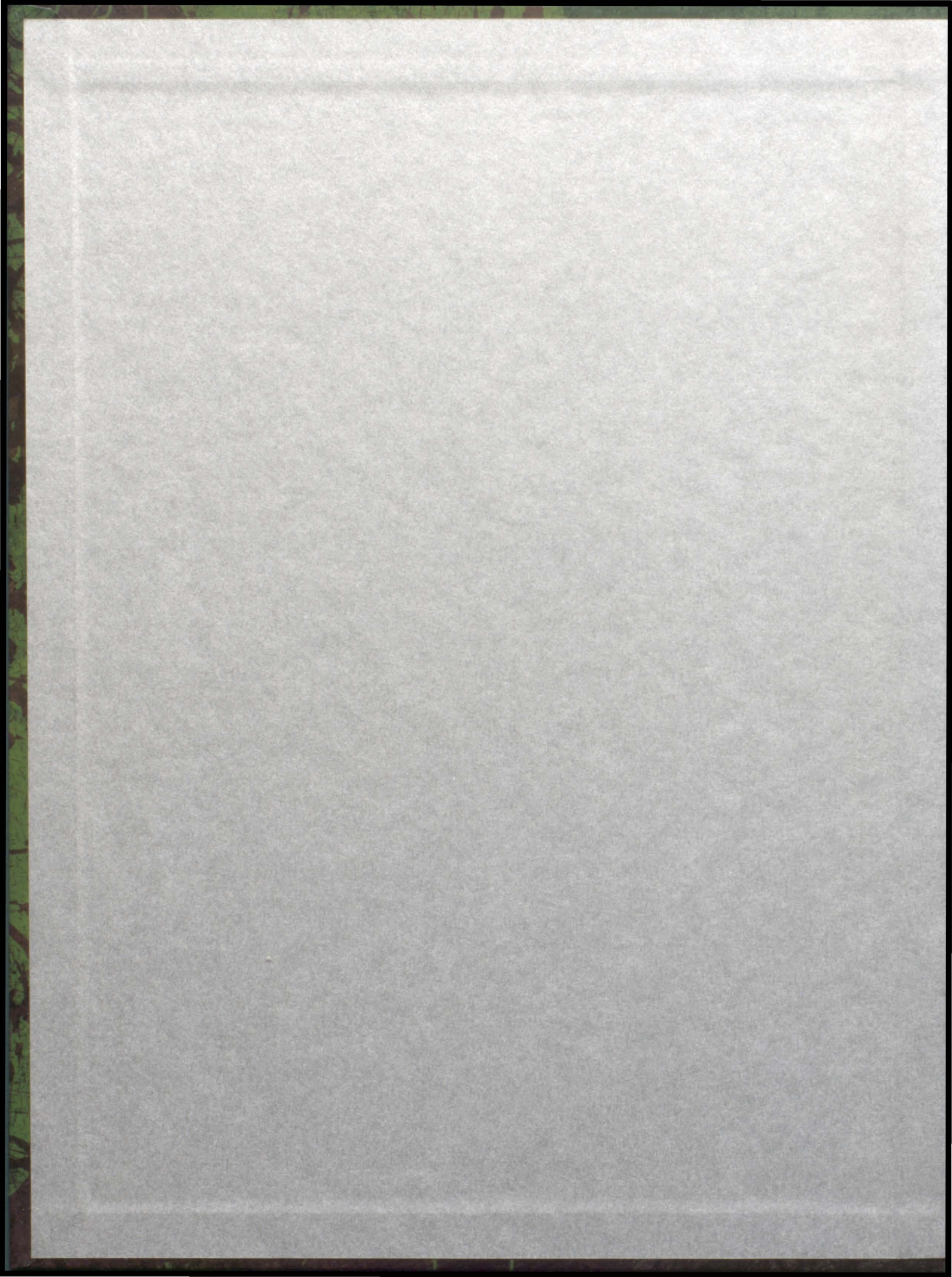
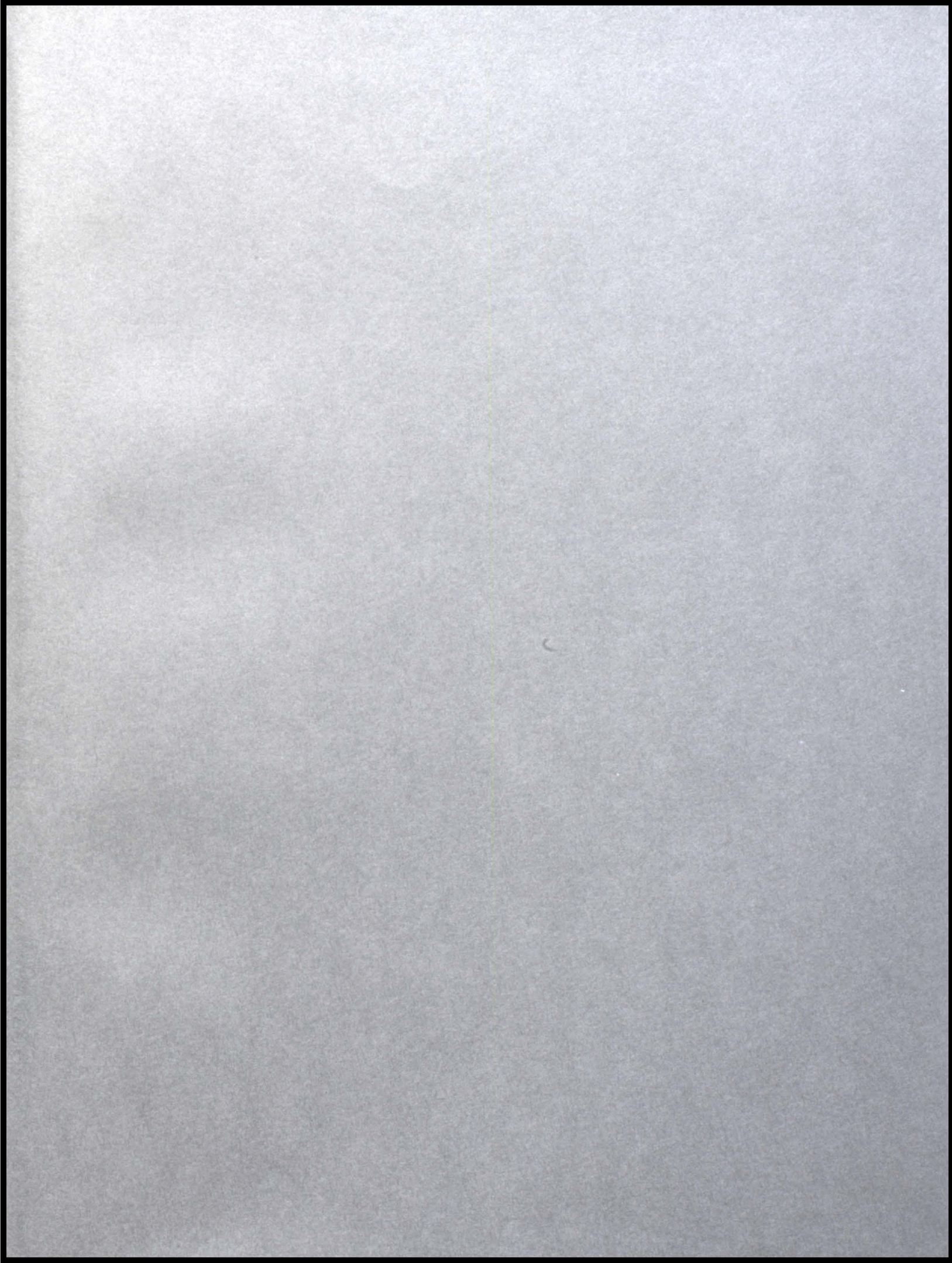


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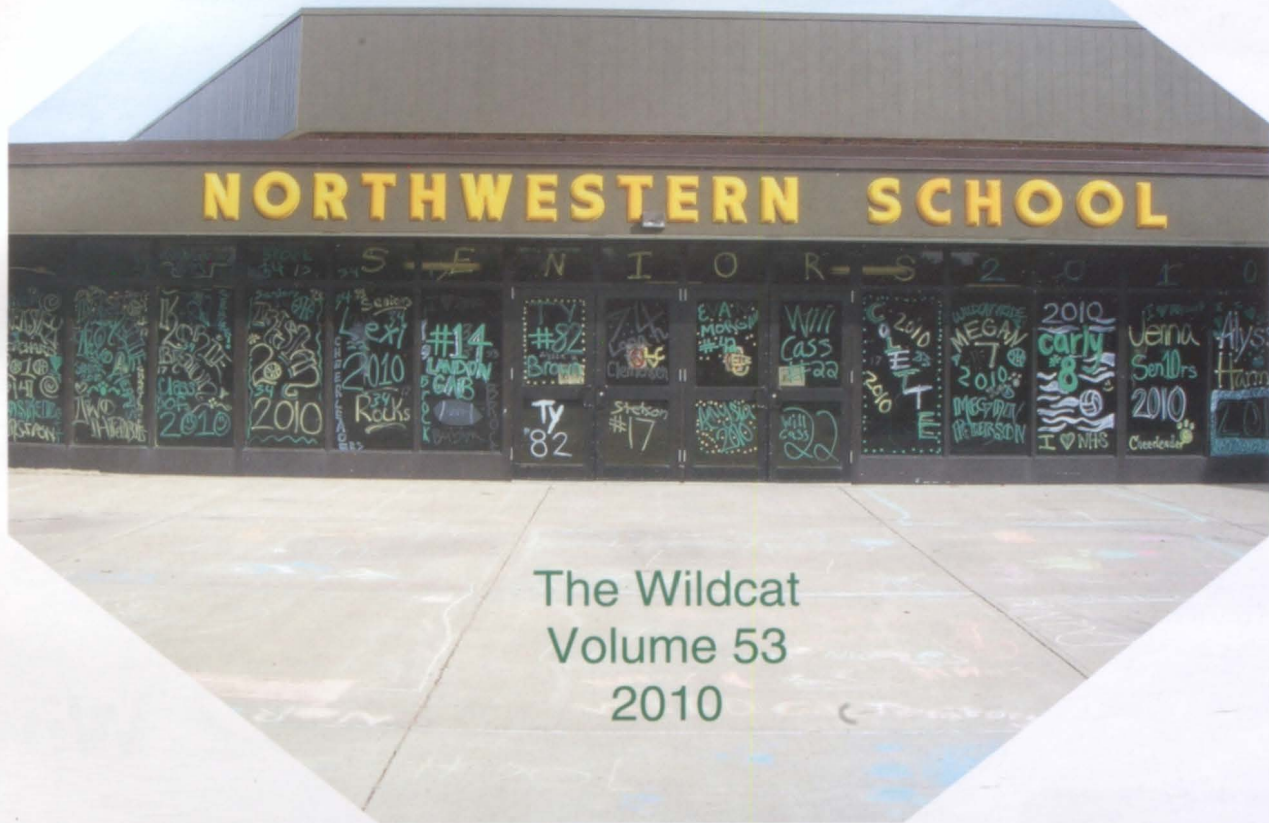
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2010



Seniors Tyler Bisbee and Colette Fortin were chosen by Northwestern High School students as Homecoming king and queen.



Third-grader Talin Sorenson works diligently on his homework assignment in Mrs. Marilyn Battey's class.



The stalwart Northwestern defensive front prepares to attack the opposing Sully Buttes team.

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Wrapping It Up...

Northwestern has a long tradition of excellence from the football field to the volleyball court to the class rooms. A year filled with success, the students worked hard to make the school year one of the best with the help from the outstanding faculty. With support from the community, the year comes to a close at Northwestern. The students and faculty are wrapping it up.

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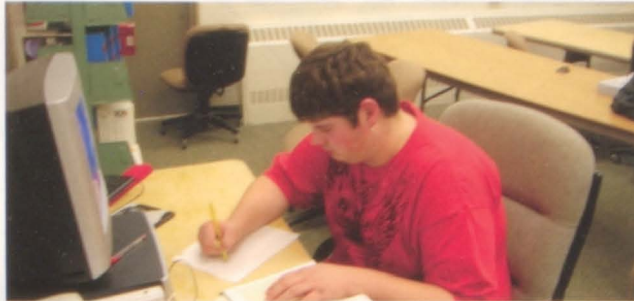


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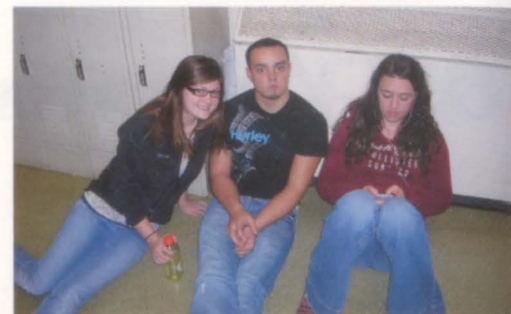
Sophomore Laine Mielke warms up during a football game with a cup of hot chocolate.



Senior Jordan Breeding works on applied math in Mrs. Jeannine Jilek's room.



Juniors Alex Bauer and Amanda Finley work on their chemistry lab.



Seniors Alyssa Harmon and Will Cass pose for the camera as senior Jenna Larson breaks a school rule by using her cell phone.

WRAPPING IT UP



High school students enjoy a game of dodge ball during homecoming week.



The band marches down Main Street during the homecoming parade.



Students in Mrs. Amanda Fa'onelua's senior math class go over the day's homework assignment.



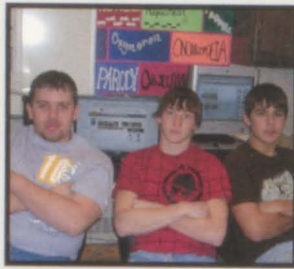
Senior Evan Morgan screen prints a shirt for the volleyball team.

The students at Northwestern strive to be the best individuals they can be. They use the resources at the school to do so. Students at Northwestern have their own special talents that makes them their own person.

Seniors



"Sleeping on the stage," senior Grasen Lechner said



"Grilling hamburgers in the boys' locker room," seniors Logan Clemensen, Evan Morgan and Brock Penfield said.



"Cheating," said senior Anysia Reed.

What is the most outrageous thing you got away with in high school?

Tyler Bisbee
Betsey Borchard
*Secretary-Treasurer
Korie Braun
Jordan Breeding
Ty Brown



Will Cass
Logan Clemensen
Jalen Diede
Colette Fortin
Landon Gab



Caroline Hansen
Alyssa Harmon
Nona Hawley
Alexis Horning
Stetson Kretschmar
*Student Council Representative



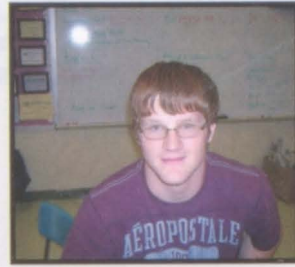
People

Class Of 2010

What your most memorable moment in high school?



"Going to all the games with Michelle Two Hearts," senior Korie Braun said.



"The good times and the weird, yet fun people that we have here," senior Cory Oberfoell said.



"Messing around with Jake Graft," senior Gary Phillips said.



Jenna Larson
Grasen Lechner
Evan Morgan
Cory Oberfoell
Brock Penfield
*President



Carly Peterson
Megan Peterson
Gary Phillips
Anyisia Reed
*Vice President
Jessie Sitter



Hope Stappler
Heather Stayner
Michelle Two Hearts
Tristen Waller
Zachary Wood

Seniors

Juniors

April Alumbaugh
Casey Bade
Alex Bauer
Taylor Beardemphl
Joni Boeckelheide
Joshua Clemens
Amanda Finley



Rachel Finley
Chelsea Fischbach
Kara Fischbach *President
Dalton Franck *Secretary-Treasurer
Hilary Frericks *Vice President
Michael Hinners
Shaina Jensen

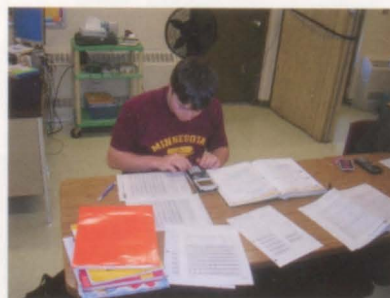


Logen Lechner
Elizabeth Leonhardt
Alyssa Morgan *Student Council
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Michael Smith
Ethan Steward
Ashly Wise

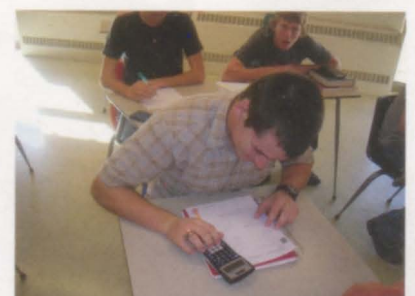


What are you looking forward to most next year?

"Senior privileges,"
junior Chelsea
Fischbach said.



"Buddy day,"
junior Jeramiah
Serfling said.



"Being a senior because I
will be closer to college,"
junior Dalton Franck said.

Sophomores



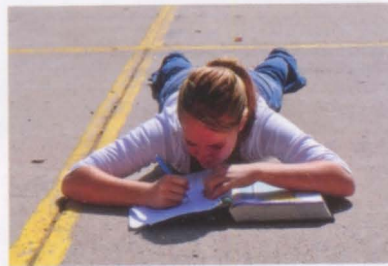
Alex Boekelheide
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 Jared Fischer
 Katrina Frericks * Secretary-
 Treasurer
 Laken Frericks

Jennifer Lefforge
 Adrianna Lutter
 Laine Mielke * Student Council
 Representative
 Gabrielle Morgan
 Shelby Peterson
 Ruth Phillips
 Tyler Roe

Madison Smith *President
 Kathleen Stuck
 Mariah Taylor
 Trevor Toennies *Vice President
 Justine Tuscherer
 Haley Wetzler
 Hunter Wood

Which senior are you going to miss the most and why?

"Brock Penfield and Stetson Kretschmar because without them I will be bored to death," sophomore Hunter Wood said.



"Evan Morgan because he is my loving brother," sophomore Gabrielle Morgan said.



"Probably Grasen Lechner just because everyday with him is a surprise," sophomore Katrina Frericks said.

Sophomores

Freshmen

Ashley Clemens * Vice
President
Shay Clemensen * Student
Council Representative
Matthew Collette
Evan Finley
Landon Fischbach
Jake Groft



Alexander Hawley
Nathan Hawley
Kelsey Hoellein
Courtlen Lechner
Ray Lerew
Kimberly Miles * Secretary-
Treasurer
Calli Peterson



Stanton Roach * President
Michael Rothacker
Trevor Rush
Ryan Shepherd
Kaitlyn Sparling
Melissa Thompson
Warren Walter



What do you like most about being in high school?

"I will graduate faster," freshman Shay Clemensen said.



"It is not the same as junior high," freshman Kaitlyn Sparling said.



"It is not junior high," freshman Calli Peterson said.

Class of 2014

Eighth Grade



Kristie Bade *Vice President
 Torey Beardemphl
 Tyler Carda
 Jeanna Duncan
 Matthew Fischbach

Kalen Frericks *Secretary-
 Treasurer
 Nathan Frericks
 Madison Hahler
 Donna Harmon
 Jacob Heidenreich *Student
 Council Representative
 Luther Johnson
 Delbert Leonhardt

Jesse Lutter
 Paige Metzinger
 Nathan Palmer
 Bryce Roe
 Skylar Sorenson
 Alyssa Steward
 Nicholas Wood *President

Class of 2015

Seventh Grade



Jordan Ashalintubbi
 Zachary Duncan
 Tannor Dvorak
 Haley Grandpre *President
 Trace Hafner

Hans Leonhardt
 Christine Morgan
 *Secretary-Treasurer
 Andrew Myers
 Katie Myers
 Hannah Palmer
 Jordon Peterson
 Tessa Rush

Halle Sieve *Vice president
 Corbin Smith
 Kennedy Sparling *Student
 Council Representative
 Carolina Spnielman
 Blake Toennies
 Doris Wise
 Colton Zens

Eighth & Seventh Grade

Sixth Grade

Ethan Bauer *President
 Rachael Boekelheide
 *Secretary-Treasurer



Cameron Bohl
 Trevor Bohl
 Kendra Bohlen
 Kirstin Borge
 Hope Bowar
 Allison Braun
 Kate Finley



Abigail Fischbach
 Darienne Frericks
 Brayden Genzler
 Isaac Groft
 Wyatt Hahler
 Sean Huack
 Elizabeth Heidenreich



Kaylee Hoellein
 Cody Lefforge
 Hunter Lerew
 Dylan Miles
 Nolan Peter
 Mark Phillips
 Andrea Rausch



Rachel Rausch
 Logan Schentzel
 Jerod Shepherd
 Codi Sparling
 Madison Styles *Vice
 President
 Cory Walter
 Destinee Zens



Fifth Grade

Derek Boekelheide
 Josephyne Clemens



Darby Duncan
 Alexandria
 Johnson
 Andrew Lefforge
 Matthew
 Metzinger
 Klaryssa Schnoor
 Chelsea Sorenson
 Austen Wiman



Class of 2018

Fourth Grade



Isaac Bauer
Abigail Beatty
Rebecca Beatty
Tucker Bohl
Tyler Braun



Mackenzie Engels
Wyatt Erickson
Jedd Groft
Peyton Groft
Megan Heidenreich
Jaidyn Kramp
Kane Little



Joseph Lutter
Zachary McCabe
Austin Peterson
Evy Peterson
Sadie Vander Wal
Darlen Watson
Blaine Wright

Who is your favorite superhero?

"Ironman," third-grader Tritten Heber said.



"Superman," fifth-grader Darby Duncan said.

"The Hulk," fourth-grader Joseph Lutter said.



Class of 2019

Third Grade



Brandon Ashalintubbi
Gavin Bohl
Moirra Duncan
Caitlyn Fischbach
Riley Grandpre
Jarret Haven
Tritten Heber



Katelyn Little
Halee Lundy
Caleb Schentzel
Sean Shepherd
Talin Sorenson
Zach Toennies
Seth Wood

Fourth & Third Grade

Second Grade

Who is
your
favorite
superhero?

Hailey Boekelheide
Torrence Bourelle
Zechariah Clemens

"Batgirl,"
second-grader
Tya
Weideman
said.



Ezekiel Duncan
Tristan Dvorak
Cassidy Frericks
Madalyn Groft
Hunter Jeschke
Kaitlyn Lefforge
Noah Morgan

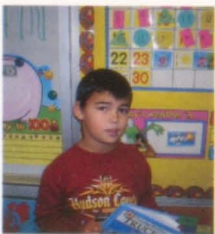
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Kira Pelton
Dalton Peterson
Dylan Rush
Danille Seymour
Talley Sparling
Kyle Stahl

Christine Stoltenberg
Miranda Thorson
Tomlyn Toy
Danielle Watson
Tya Weideman
Jerrin Wiman
Carson Wright



First Grade

"Batman,"
first-grader
Joe Groft said.



Danika Berry
Hayden Bohl
Jackson Christ
Joe Groft
Jace Haven
Joclyn Haven
Seth Heidenreich

Bailey Heim
Jackson Mielke
Zachariah Mzala
Kyle Peterson
Alexis Rahm
Cody Rausch
Samantha Rush

Sydney Schell
Hannah Schentzel
Hunter Schipke
Hailie Stuck
Mitchell Vander Wal
Ethan Walter
Jackson Weideman



Class of 2022

Kindergarten



Kyanne Anglin
Tyler Ashalintubbi
Jessica Boekelheide
Tanner Ewalt
Emma Grandpre
Haiden Grandpre
Samuel Groft

Justin Haven
Steven Hogg
Landen Melius
Megan Nash
Logan Rausch
Teryn Sparling

Kade Stahl
Mackenzie Stoltenberg
Sawyer Styles
Brandon Toennies
Christopher Toennies
Nicholas Troske
Maddie Williams

Who is your favorite superhero

"Super Y," kindergartner
Megan Nash said.



Class of 2023

Preschool



Jevon Berry
Ethan Boekelheide
Trey Bourelle
Gabrielle Engels
Fatafehi Fa'onelua
Quintin Fischbach
Dylan Gross-Luckett

Brooklinn Halvorson
Ella Haven
Olivia Heidenreich
Ian Jaragoske
Gregory Nelson
Emmylea Robeson
Henry Williams

"Batman," preschooler
Jevon Berry said.



Kindergarten & Preschool

Faculty & Staff

Diane Artz: Bus Driver
Marilyn Battey: Third Grade
Lea Bender: Speech Therapy
Sandy Bierman: Elementary Librarian,
 Elementary Computers



Scott Boone: History, Social Studies, Geography,
 Asst. Football Coach, Track Coach
Eric Borge: Elementary Physical Education, Head
 Football Coach
Karla Borge: Title I
Bob Braasch: Bus Driver
Pat Braasch: Kitchen Staff



Mary Bullock: Special Education Aide
Christy Cardella: Middle School Language Arts, Oral Interp Coach
Bill Clemens: Custodian, Middle School Boys' Basketball Coach,
 Bus Driver
Denise Clemens: Middle School Girls' Basketball Coach,
 High School Science,
Doug Duncan: Second Grade, Asst. Volleyball Coach,
 Middle School Track Coach



Amanda Fa'onelua: Math
Shelley Fischbach: Librarian,
 Tech Coordinator, Computers
Marie Fix: Special Education Aide
Lisa Franck: Board Member
Orrin Freeman: Bus Driver



Anne Frericks: Business, FBLA Adviser,
 Screen Printing
Lisa Frericks: Business Manager
Butch Gabel: Bus Driver
James Groft: Board Member
Nora Groft: High School English, Head
 Volleyball Coach



Jessica Halvorson: Administrative Assistant
Jennifer Habler: Paraprofessional
Tamra Haven: Middle School Science,
 Special Education Services
Roylene Heidenreich: Fourth Grade
Kevin Horning: Board Member



Which senior are you most excited to see graduate and why?

"Logan Clemensen because I cannot wait to sink my teeth into some of his beef when he becomes a big cattle producer," principal Rich Osborn said.



Faculty & Staff



Dennis Jeschke: Custodian
Jeannine Jilek: DDN Adviser
Paula Johnson: Special
 Education Services



Doreen Leinen: Reading and Math
 Specialist
Bobbie Lerew: Board Member
Judy Lindhorst: Preschool
Stephanie Lunstrom: High School
 Band and Choir, Music Appreciation
Linda Lutter: Kitchen Staff



Laura Melius: Drama Club Adviser
Mary Mielke: Board Member
Vicki Mitchell: Kindergarten
Holly Morgan: Cheer Adviser
Sue Neiger: Guidance Counselor



Chris Osborn: Elementary Principal, Sixth
 Grade Literature, Eighth-Grade History, Head
 Boys' Basketball Coach
Rich Osborn: High School Principal, Head
 Girls' Basketball Coach, Sixth-Grade Math
Jackie Remily: Special Education Services
Wade Rozell: Fifth Grade, Middle School
 Football Coach, High School Track Coach
Dina Rush: Paraprofessional



Jerry Sauer: Industrial Technology
Ray Sauerwein: Superintendent, Athletic
 Director
Jennifer Schell: K-12 Art, Seventh-Grade
 Geography, Sociology, Psychology, Asst.
 Girls' Basketball Coach
Kayla Sparling: Paraprofessional
Laura Steward: Paraprofessional



Nancy Taylor: First Grade
Wendy Thorson: Elementary and
 Middle School Music
Jenifer Toennies: Preschool Aide
Camille Tuscherer: Bus Driver
Rita Walter: Kitchen Staff

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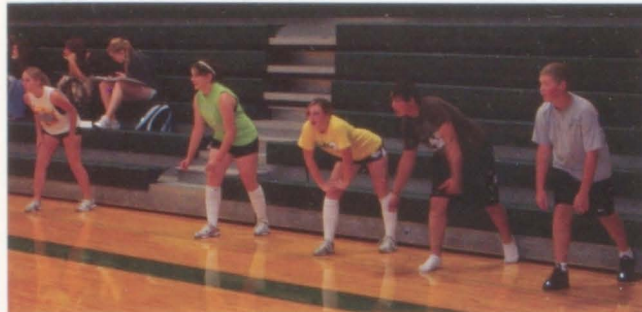


"Evan Morgan and Brock Penfield because I cannot afford to supply them with Jolly Ranchers much longer," guidance counselor Sue Neiger said.

Faculty & Staff



Junior Alex Bauer screens a shirt for his business management class.



High school students ready themselves for another game of dodgeball during homecoming week.



Junior Taylor Beardemphl paints a piece of school spirit on a window during homecoming week.



Senior Carly Peterson pops up the ball with one arm during a home volleyball match.

WRAPPING UP FALL



Junior Josh Clemens breaks two tackles and streaks down the sideline.



The high school band plays a selection during coronation.

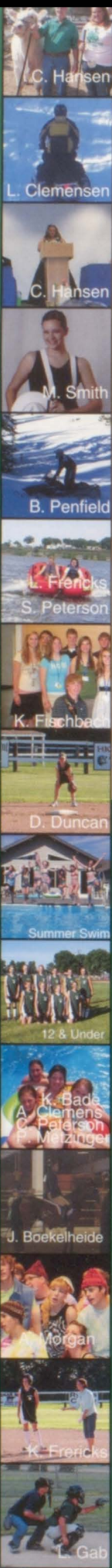


Elementary students take time out of recess to enjoy playing with leaves.



Mr. Rich Osborn and Mr. Chris Osborn feel like they are at home again during pajama day.

The warmer weather subsides, and the students at school trade sweat shirts for winter coats. Basketball practice begins, and the fall sports seasons end with disappointment for both the football and volleyball teams. The students wrapped up fall.



Senior Brock Penfield rides his snowmobile through the snow. The 2009-2010 winter brings plenty of opportunities for snowmobilers.

Senior Caroline Hansen and sixth-grader Madison Styles show their cattle for 4-H during the summer.



Out-of-School Activities

Students at Northwestern involve themselves in more than just school and those activities that come along with it. These activities last all year and help the students get involved and stay connected with their friends. Some out-of-school activities that students participate in are baseball, softball, dance, 4-H, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, golf, snowmobiling, four-wheeling, snowboarding and tubing.

These activities during summer months take up most of their time and make their schedules very busy. Summer sports allow the students to be on the same team as classmates and to stay connected with each other.

"Golf is a good relaxer on a nice Saturday morning, and it is always a good time beating Stetson and Alex in best ball as well," senior Evan Morgan said.

Other activities are fun for the students because the school does not offer certain activities, so everyone loves the chance to be involved with students from other classes.

"I like to ride snowmobile in the hills with my good buddies because it is a great time riding with all of my friends," senior Stetson Kretschmar said.

Junior Joni Boekelheide shows her horse, Aladdin, during 4-H.



Senior Stetson Kretschmar tries to tip his snowmobile back over after flipping on his side.

"Snowmobiling was a good time in the hills," Kretschmar said.



Sophomore Madison Smith shows off her dance outfit during last year's recital.

"Dance is lots of fun because it is a good workout, and you meet lots of different people," Smith said.



Senior Caroline Hansen shows her heifer, Elvira, at the South Dakota State Fair. This is her 10th year showing cattle.

"4-H is a great organization that teaches you many skills for your future," Hansen said.



Sophomore Laken Frericks backs up teammate Shelby Peterson during an intense softball game this summer.



Senior Landon Gab takes the mound for the Legion baseball team this past summer.

Out-of-School Activities



Mr. Scott Boone enjoys the homecoming parade as he rides Joni Boekelheide's horse around for fun.

One of the senior cars is packed with people as they take a trip trough the parade.



Homecoming

Rockin' Through the Ages

This year's homecoming theme, "Rockin' through the Ages," allowed the different dress up days to go with a musical theme. On Monday, the seniors dressed up the freshmen for buddy day, while everyone else enjoyed pajama day.

"It was a rocking good time making the freshman do whatever we wanted all day, and making them look so darn goofy was also a good time," senior Brock Penfield said.

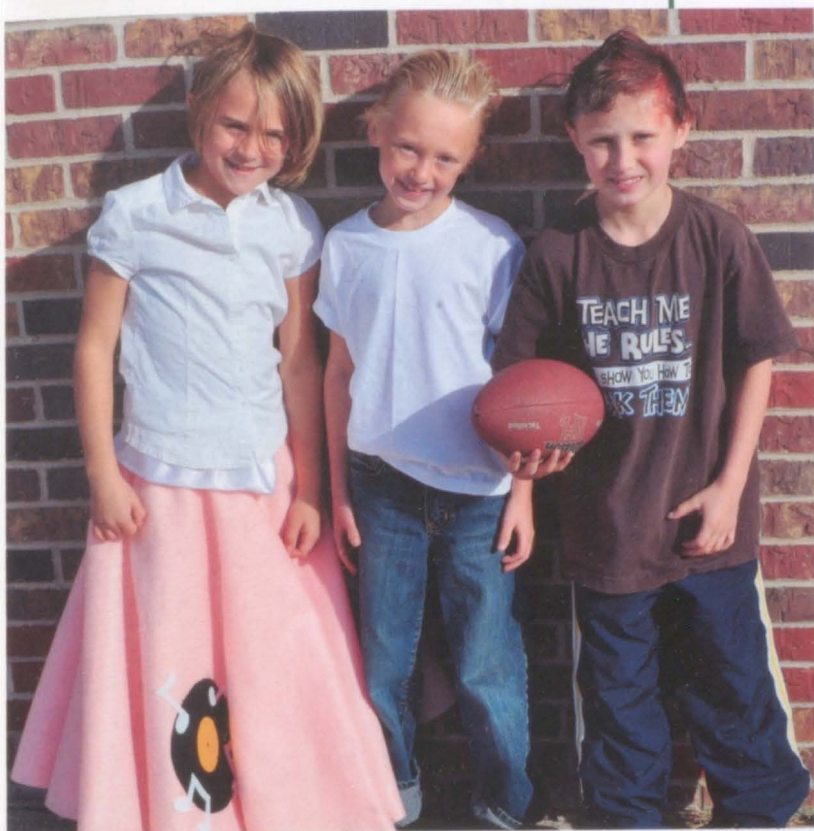
Homecoming coronation took place that night to crown the new royalty, King Tyler Bisbee and Queen Colette Fortin. A powder puff football game took place afterwards. Tuesday featured rock'n'roll day/'50s day. Wednesday focused on country western/hat day. Dodge ball got the student body involved in homecoming as the junior high and high school played a tournament. Hippies roamed the halls on Thursday, and in the afternoon the junior high and high school worked on their floats for the parade. Friday brought the parade and also a lot of rain.

"The parade was a good time, even though it was cloudy and rainy all day long," senior Evan Morgan said. "That was not fun with our convertible we made."

The Wildcats hosted the Sully Buttes Chargers for the homecoming game but did not win the hard-fought game. The student council put on a dance following the game to put an exclamation to the end of this year's homecoming week.

Fall

First-graders Tya Weideman, Hunter Jeschke and Jerrin Wiman dress up for rock'n'roll/'50s day during homecoming week.



Junior Hilary Frericks enjoys the chili served by the junior class before the homecoming football game. Money raised went toward prom costs.

"I really enjoyed homecoming, and the king and queen were great," Frericks said.



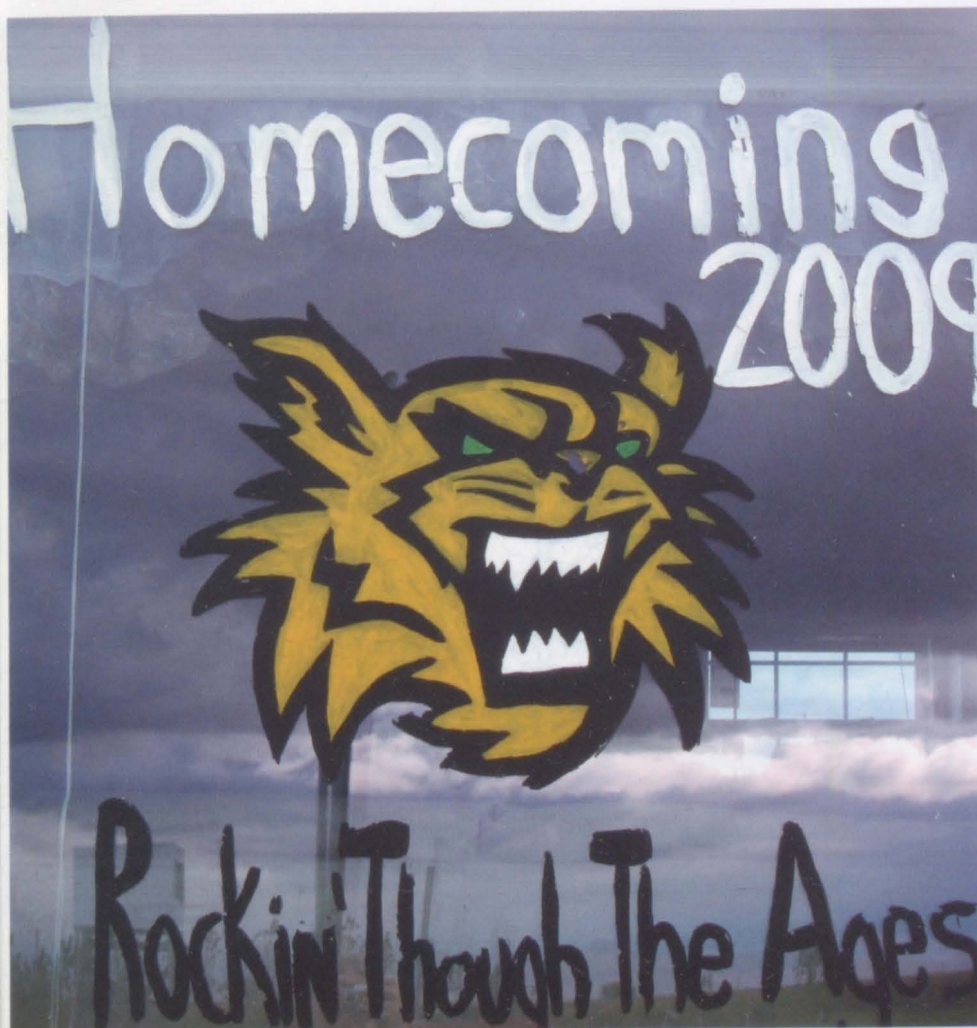
Sophomores Logan Brown and Trevor Toennies ride along with their class during the homecoming parade.

"I had a fun time playing dodge ball and with all the other activities," Brown said.



The white team huddles up during the annual powder puff football game after coronation.

"I thought powder puff football was very fun, and I enjoyed being with the other girls," senior Hope Stappler said.



Dress Up Days

Monday Buddy Day/Pajama Day

Tuesday Rock N' Roll/'50s Day

Wednesday Country Western/Hat Day

Thursday Hippie Day

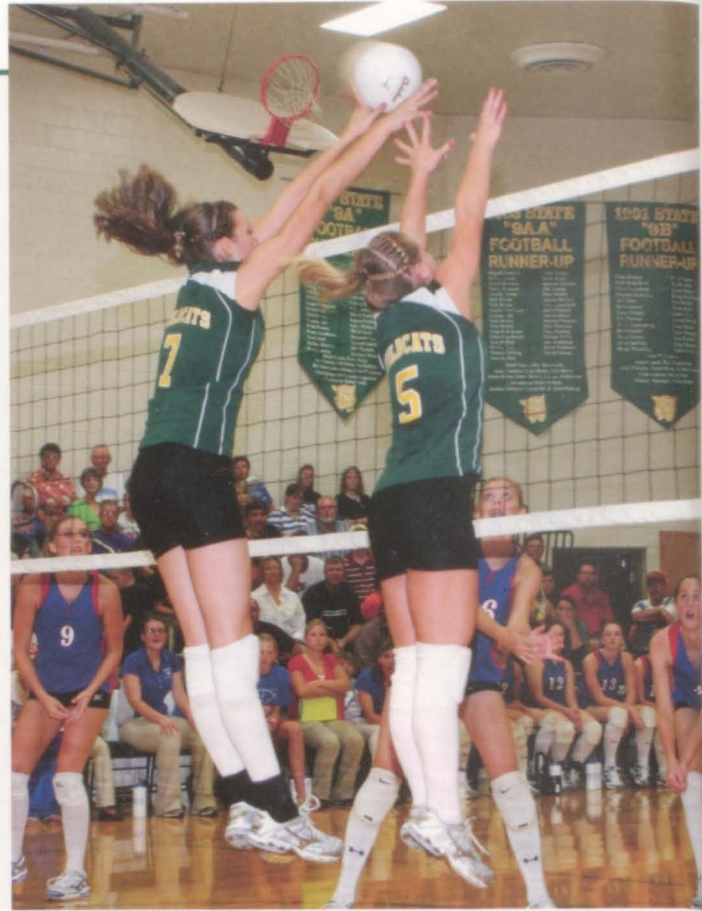
Friday Spirit Day, Parade

Homecoming



Senior Megan Peterson and sophomore Mariah Taylor jump to block the ball in a match against Warner.

Sophomore libero Haley Wetzler performs a single-knee drive to keep the play alive against Miller.



Wildcat Power

The Northwestern volleyball team ended the 2009 season with a record of 29-3, losing in the District 2B Tournament Championship. All three season losses came at the hands of the same team: district rival Warner.

Along the way, the team won tournaments in Parkston, Sioux Falls Christian and Arlington and defeated several ranked opponents in both Class A and Class B.

"I enjoyed playing with all of the girls this year. I loved every second of it," senior Carly Peterson said.

Graduating only two seniors, cousins C. Peterson and Megan Peterson, the team looks forward to returning 12 players to next year's squad. The JV squad went 23-3.

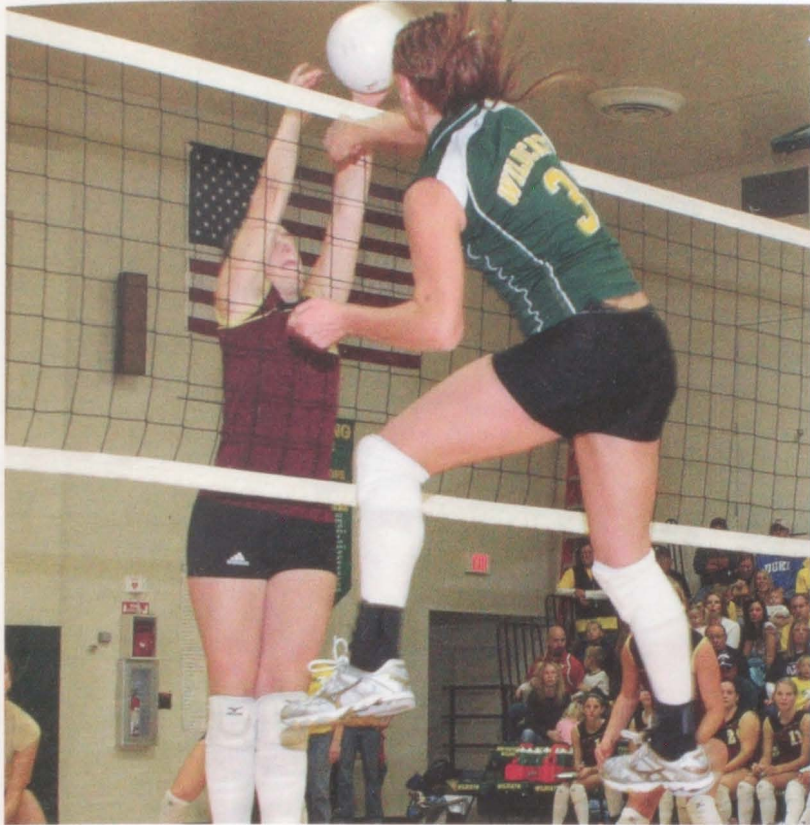
Both M. Peterson and sophomore Jussy Tuscherer received first-team all-state honors.

"While the team may have been disappointed at the end result of the season, I am very proud of the kind of volleyball they played throughout the season," head coach Nora Groft said. "These girls have the power to change any match with their own two hands."

The volleyball team celebrated its 25th season this year with an alumnae event Oct. 17, featuring the play of 42 former Wildcat volleyball players.

Fall

Sophomore Jussy Tuscherer skies to slam down the ball against Milbank.



2009 Season



Senior Megan Peterson jumps up to hammer down the ball during a home volleyball match.

"It was a great year for us, and I really enjoyed it a lot," M. Peterson said.



Sophomore Mariah Taylor springs into the air to deny the opposing team a point.

"This volleyball season was wonderful, but it did not end the way I had wanted it to," Taylor said.



Junior Kara Fischbach smacks the ball over the net for a point against Warner.

"It was really unfortunate the way our season ended, but our mistakes give us something to build on and strive for next year," Fischbach said.



Front Row: Joni Boekelheide, Kara Fischbach, Megan Peterson, Carly Peterson and Alyssa Morgan. Row Two: Shelby Peterson, Gabby Morgan, Mariah Taylor and Kelsey Hoellein. Back Row: head coach Nora Groft, Kimberly Miles, Katrina Frericks, Ashley Clemens, Haley Wetzler, Jussy Tuscherer, Laken Frericks, assistant coach Doug Duncan and assistant coach Elissa Heidenreich.

Highlights

Scoreboard

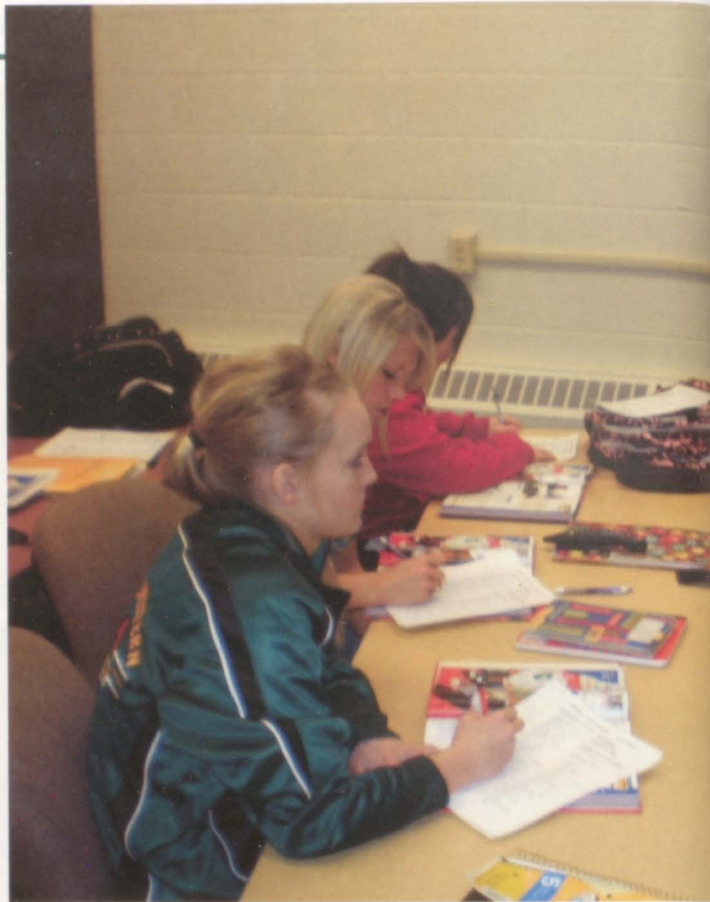
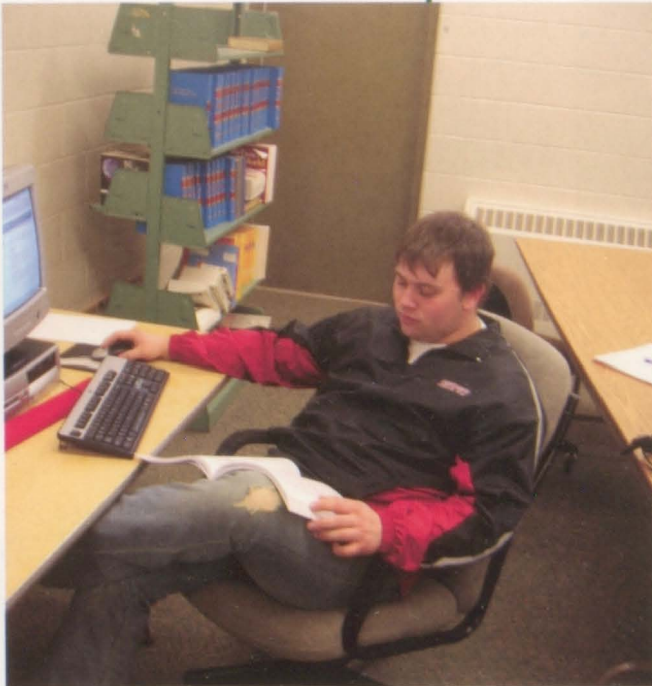
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Parkston	(25-9) (25-10)
Tripp-Deimont/Armour	(25-15) (25-5)
McCook Central/Montrose	(25-6) (25-13)
Aberdeen Christian	(25-5) (25-5) (25-4)
Langford/Roslyn	(25-18) (25-5) (25-14)
Southwest Minnesota Christian	(25-14) (25-15)
Elk Point-Jefferson	(25-13) (25-15)
Harrisburg	(25-23) (25-9)
Pipestone, Minn.	(25-10) (25-20)
Sioux Falls Christian	(25-14) (18-25) (25-18)
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Milbank	(26-24) (25-19) (25-15)
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Hitchcock-Tulare	(25-12) (25-9) (25-9)
Ipswich	(25-11) (25-2) (25-7)
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Record: 29-3



Sophomore Haley Wetzler listens attentively to her teacher during her Spanish I class.

Senior Logan Clemensen works diligently on his online class in Mrs. Jeannine Jilek's room.



Distance Learning

This year students took advantage of the opportunity to further their education by challenging themselves and taking online classes. These classes are offered through the South Dakota Virtual School, DDN from Northern State University and DIAL. A total of 12 students decided to take these challenging courses. Some of the classes are Advanced Placement classes, while some are merely college preparation. Some of the classes the students are taking include AP statistics, AP calculus, AP biology, parenting, physics, world history and agriculture management.

"My ag management class helps me prepare myself for the future and for the tech school that I will be attending next year," senior Logan Clemensen said.

Students in some of these classes do not have a teacher putting together lectures; instead they have to watch clips and slideshows to learn the material. E-mailing and staying in contact with the teachers is important to stay on track and to make sure they know how to do the assignments.

"I think it (AP biology) is a very difficult and challenging class that makes you think differently, and you have to keep in touch with everyone," senior Caroline Hansen said.

Mrs. Jeannine Jilek supervises all distance learning students.

Fall

Second-grader Madalyn Groft works carefully not to get any paint on her shirt during art class.



Eighth-grader Paige Metzinger colors her paper as classmate Nathan Palmer looks on curiously.

"Art gives me a chance to work on the projects and use my creativity," Metzinger said.



Sixth-grader Madison Styles traces the outside of her picture during her art class.

"Art is fun, and I really like to do all the sketchbooks," Styles said.



Junior Chelsea Fischbach paints her homecoming themed artwork on a window outside the school.

"Art rules!" Fischbach said.

Art

Art is available for students in grades kindergarten to 12th grade. Elementary students have art every week, middle school students rotate on trimesters, and many talented high school students take art independently.

"Art students at Northwestern never cease to amaze me with their incredible talent. Their artistic ability is so amazing that sometimes I feel like the student and the student is the teacher," Mrs. Jennifer Schell said.

Many students looked forward to their next art class wondering what would be done that day.

"Art is a great time to be able to just relax and take a break from all the core classes we have," senior Michelle Two Hearts said.

During the year the students took on many projects, such as painting windows around the school and community for homecoming and making the back drop for the Snow Queen contest. Students are involved in a variety of art contents, usually culminating the Granary Art Show in April.



E. Morgan



A. Bauer



T. Brown



S. Kretschmar



T. Brown



L. Gab



Z. Wood



M. Smith



Z. Wood



L. Gab



M. Smith



W. Case



L. Clemensen



E. Morgan



J. Clemens

Junior Josh Clemens makes a diving catch to move the chains.

Senior Zack Wood leads the defensive surge to stop the ball carrier in the backfield.



Football Team Improves

With only one win a season ago, the football team made huge improvements from last year and ended the season with a 3-5 record. Four out of the eight teams the Wildcats played made it to the semi-finals.

"Although vast improvements were made throughout the season, the lack of capitalizing off of opportunities kept the team out of post-season play. As the team continues to gain experience in the years to come, progress will be made," junior Michael Smith said.

The Wildcats were very close to making the playoffs this year, but fell short by .125 power points.

"We were borderline greatness, and we worked extremely hard all year, even though some of our games did not go the way we wanted them to," sophomore Trevor Toennies said.

"We definitely improved from last year, there's no doubt about that, and as we grow together, we will get better and become successful. The team needs to realize that we are one; that it takes everything we have in order to win, and I think that we are realizing it, and in doing so, we will become better," junior Josh Clemens said.

Fall

Senior Evan Morgan looks to bust through the line for a big gain.



2009 Season



Senior Stetson Kretschmar leads the way for junior Alex Bauer.

"I am going to miss having to go up against (coach Jesse) Weideman in practice everyday," Kretschmar said.



Senior Logan Clemensen makes a key block on the defense.

"Hitting the field with snow on the ground against Warner was sweet, and I enjoyed beating them," Clemensen said.



Senior Brock Penfield gets the ball for once in his life.

"Playing Warner this year in the snow and seeing Logan get laid out after we won was awesome," Penfield said.



Highlights

Varsity Football

Team	Us	Them
Langford/Roslyn	6	12
Leola/Frederick	0	46
Ipswich	32	20
Wolsey-Wessington	34	6
Sully Buttes	12	20
Warner	20	12
Hitchcock-Tulare	8	40
Faulkton	6	28

Record: 3-5

First Row: Evan Finley, Jake Groft, Landon Fischbach, Hunter Wood and Trevor Toennies. Row Two: Michael Hinners, Jalen Diede, Alex Bauer, Jeremiah Serfling, Josh Clemens, Michael Smith, Ty Brown and Casey Bade. Row Three: Logan Clemensen, Grasen Lechner, Cory Oberfoell, Zack Wood, Gary Phillips, Landon Gab and Evan Morgan. Back Row: Will Cass, assistant coach Jesse Weideman, head coach Eric Borge, assistant coach Scott Boone, assistant coach Ben Buisker, assistant coach Aaron Olson and Stetson Kretschmar.



Freshmen Shay Clemensen, Calli Peterson and Ashley Clemens work on their maps for geography.

Sophomores Jenny Lefforge, Laine Mielke and Kathy Stuck work on their sociology reading for Mrs. Jennifer Schell's class.



Social Studies

From government to world history, Northwestern students take it all. While taking these courses, the students gain a wide range of knowledge about how our government works to events that happened hundreds years ago.

"I enjoy all of the stories we hear from Mr. Boone," senior Korie Braun said.

Mr. Scott Boone keeps his students interested in the class by making it a fun experience for everyone and he also gives the students the knowledge they need to succeed.

"I think hearing Ethan (Steward) and Boone go at it is very funny," junior Taylor Beardemphl.

Another option of classes to take it psychology and sociology taught by Mrs. Jennifer Schell. Students learn about different parts of the brain and behaviors that people have. Psychology is the first semester of the class, and sociology is the second semester.

"It is my favorite class because Mrs. Schell is my favorite teacher, and it's pretty interesting for me," sophomore Haley Wetzler said.

Fall

Sophomores Gabby Morgan, Shelby Peterson and Laken Frericks mess around with wellness teacher Mr. Scott Boone and wrap him up in a parachute.



Sophomore Alex Boekelheide smacks the birdie during a game of badminton in his wellness class.

"I like getting out of the classroom and doing activities," Boekelheide said.



Sophomore Haley Wetzler listens and takes notes in Mr. Scott Boone's wellness class.

"Wellness is a fun class because we get to do fun activities," Wetzler said.



Sophomore Gabby Morgan tosses the parachute up in the air during wellness class.

"Wellness is super fun because it's a lot different compared to other classes," Morgan said.

Physical Education

Physical education plays an important role in keeping students fit throughout the school year. High school students can take the wellness class, which offers the knowledge about staying in shape and ways to maintain good health physically and mentally. During the wellness class the students stay in the classroom one day and then go to the gym for an activity the next.

"Golf was such a fail for our class, but that made it very entertaining for me," sophomore Laine Mielke said.

Middle school students practice the sport of the current season during activity period. During the fall, girls play volleyball, and boys play football. Everyone plays basketball during the winter, then everyone enjoys track and field in the spring. The coaches of each sport rotate teaching during the activity period.

Mr. Eric Borge teaches physical education for the elementary the first green day of the week. He has kindergarten through fifth-grade students for 30 to 45 minutes each. Because the fifth-grade class is so small (eight students), he combined fourth- and fifth-grade P.E. this year.

"I like having P.E. with the fifth-graders because we have tougher competition," fourth-grader Peyton Groft said.

Physical Education



Junior Joni Boekelheide takes the ball to the basketball hoop.



Senior Jalen Diede, junior Logen Lechner and sophomore Tyler Roe mud the newly drywalled room at VOED.

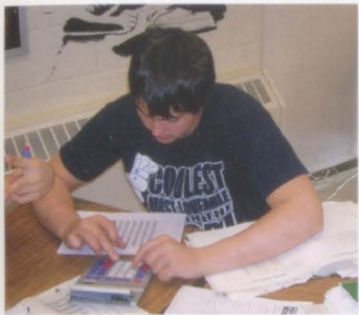


Kindergartners Maddie Williams and Emma Grandpre perform a dance at the Lil' Cats Cheer Camp held Feb. 19.



Freshman Landon Fischbach goes up for layup against Warner.

WRAPPING UP WINTER



Sophomore Hunter Wood works on his accounting homework.



Junior Justin Dirksen and senior Zack Wood heat metal to bend it in welding class.



Seventh-grader Zach Duncan takes a snooze on his trip with the Tri-Parish youth group to Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada.



Senior Alyssa Harmon does a sideline cheer during a time out.

As the winter blizzards move out, students trade in winter coats for spring jackets. Athletes reflect on the past basketball season and look forward with excitement for the beginning of track season. The students wrapped up winter.

Girls' Basketball

The girls' basketball team had a good season this year, finishing with a 15-5 record.

With 15 wins going into the district tournament, the Wildcats suffered a heart-breaking loss to the Warner Monarchs in the first round, 44-56.

Although the team did not finish the way it would have liked, they worked hard over the season and developed into an explosive basketball team. The team expressed very good teamwork over the year. With coach Rich Osborn's guidance, these girls will be a force to be reckoned with in the coming years.

"I thought that, overall, we had a very good year. A lot of life lessons were learned, and several players stepped into new roles and got better each night they played. I believe the basketball program is definitely heading in the right direction," coach Osborn said.

It was a great year for learning and improving on their skills. There is not a single girl on the team who is not proud of what they achieved. The team went through little ups and downs, but in the end, each girl came out of this experience a much stronger person.

"Basketball was a lot of fun, and I'm said it is over," senior Megan Peterson said.



Varsity Girls' Basketball Team

Front Row: Megan Peterson, Tristen Waller, Betsey Borchard and Joni Boekelheide. Row Two: Caroline Rich Osborn and Calli Peterson. Row Three: Taylor Beardemphl, Mariah Taylor, Kimberly Miles, Shelby Peterson, Gabby Morgan, Katrina Frericks and Haley Wetzler. Back Row: Jussy Tuscherer, Amanda Finley, Ashley Clemens and Laken Frericks.

- Freshman Ashley Clemens looks to pass during a press break.
- The 2009-2010 junior varsity girls' basketball team poses for a team photo.
- Sophomore Jussy Tuscherer dribbles the ball up the court.
- Senior Megan Peterson posts up against the Warner defense.
- Senior Tristen Waller takes the ball up the court for a fast break layup.
- Junior Joni Boekelheide drives by the baseline to look for an open shot.
- Sophomore Mariah Taylor sets up a play at the point.
- Freshman Ashley Clemens gets low and in position for a pass.
- Senior Megan Peterson looks for a backdoor cut.
- Sophomore Haley Wetzler shoots an outside jumper.

Winter





Sophomore Mariah Taylor drives to the hoop.

Scoreboard

Aberdeen Roncalli	54-38
Aberdeen Christian	79-32
Sully Buttes	42-34
Warner	60-49
Miller	49-43
Gettysburg	48-29
Groton	58-33
Stanley County	64-44
Faulton	53-27
Hitchcock-Tulare	50-43
Sisseton	39-54
Ipswich	44-48
Warner	48-39
Leola-Frederick	46-56
Langford	59-36
Selby	46-19
Webster	63-20
Summit	37-51
Redfield/Doland	44-26
Districts	
Warner	44-56

Record: 15-5



"I am looking forward to next season to improve on all aspects of the game," sophomore Jussy Tuscherer said.



"I loved everything about our season," senior Tristen Waller said.



Girls' Basketball

Business and Computers



Sophomore Jenny Lefforge studies a problem on her accounting homework.

"Accounting is getting more confusing, but I still like the class," sophomore Jenny Lefforge said.

Taking a business or computer class will let the students at Northwestern gain a broad perception of the different skills needed in life. Business classes include Accounting I, Accounting II, entrepreneurship, business management, business careers, personal finance, business law and career internship. Computers courses available include advanced computers. These classes are all taught by Mrs. Anne Frericks.

"Accounting I is preparing us for taxes in the future," senior Tyler Bisbee said.

Frericks works hard to teach all the students she has. They gain a wide variety of knowledge on certain subjects, whether she is teaching about computers or giving a verdict during business law class.

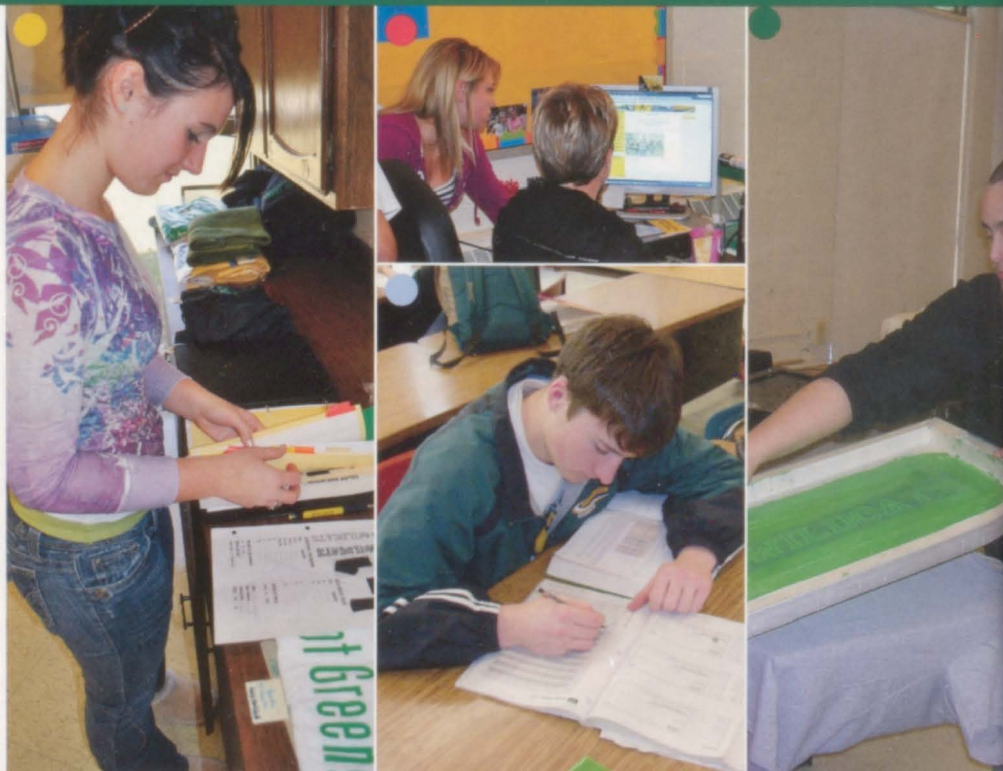
After taking these classes, students leave with an understanding of many different issues that come up.

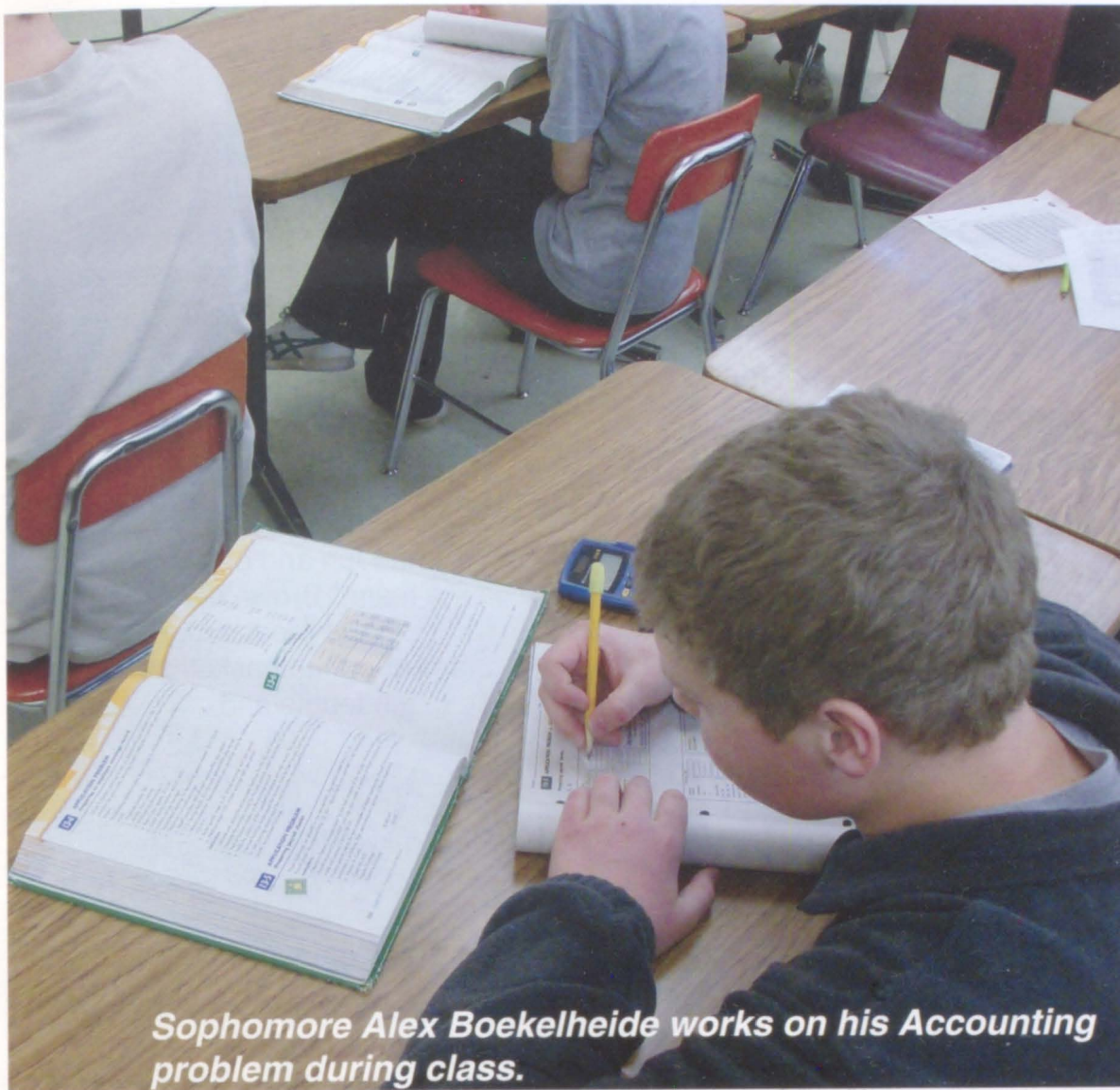
"The animation program during advanced computers was fun," junior Ethan Steward said.

Each year students begin to understand what life will bring them in her classes. Students study their aptitudes and discover what they are good at and which jobs suit them best. These classes prepare Northwestern students for life.

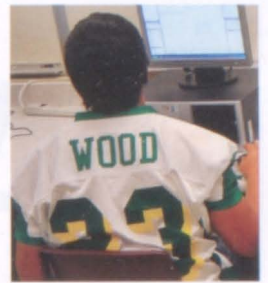
- Junior Hilary Frericks prepares an order for her business management class.
- Sophomore Mariah Taylor works with Mrs. Anne Frericks on advanced computers.
- Junior Josh Clemens starts his accounting homework during third block.
- Senior Will Cass screen prints a T-shirt for the screen-printing class.
- Senior Tyler Bisbee begins his accounting assignment.
- Junior Jerry Serfling gets help during his advanced computer class.
- Senior Gary Phillips sits quietly and works on his homework.
- Junior Kara Fischbach works on the computer during advanced computers.
- Sophomore Gabby Morgan uses her calculator on her accounting assignment.
- Senior Korie Braun asks senior Tristen Waller a question on homework.

Winter





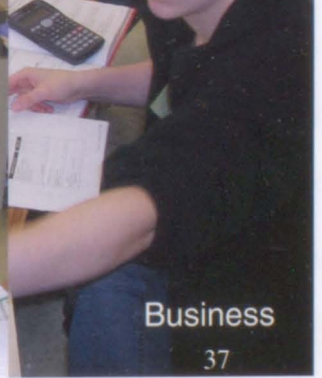
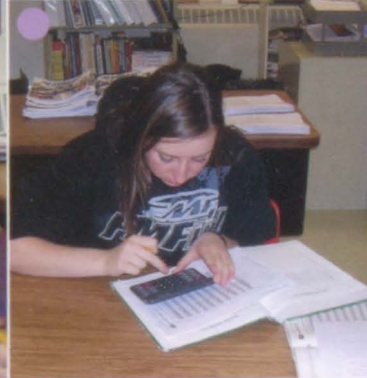
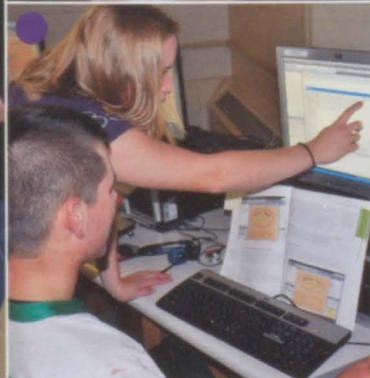
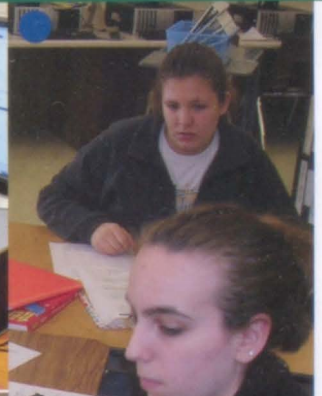
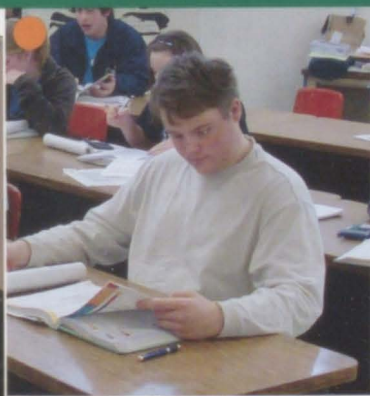
Sophomore Alex Boekelheide works on his Accounting problem during class.



"I think advanced computers is fun, but making the videos was not that great," sophomore Hunter Wood said.



"Accounting is challenging, but it will help me in the future," sophomore Kathy Stuck said.



Boys' Basketball

After winning only one game last season, the boys' basketball team had an improved season and ended the season with a record of 5-15.

Three Wildcat seniors led the team: Grasen Lechner, Ty Brown and Landon Gab. The boys played well together and had a great season with new coaches: head coach Chris Osborn and assistant coach Bill Clemens.

"I thought that we could have won some more games, but overall, I had fun and enjoyed playing with everyone on the team," Brown said.

The boys learned from the great experiences that they faced this year on the basketball court. They played some tough teams and played better as the season progressed.

"I had a great time playing with a great group of guys. I am really looking forward to next year and all of the opportunities it brings," junior Josh Clemens said.

"Although progress was made, we were disappointed with the outcome of the season," the team said.



Varsity Boys' Basketball Team

Front Row: Landon Gab, Josh Clemens, Laine Mielke, Maddy Smith, Alex Bauer and Grasen Lechner. Back Row: head coach Chris Osborn, Evan Finley, Ty Brown, Logen Lechner, Jerry Serfling, Landon Fischbach, Michael Smith, Ray Lerew, Dalton Franck and assistant coach Bill Clemens.

- Junior Michael Smith shoots an outside shot against Warner.
- Senior Landon Gab shoots at the three-point line.
- Freshman Ray Lerew shoots off the dribble during the junior varsity game.
- Junior Alex Bauer keeps his eyes up while dribbling down the court.
- Senior Ty Brown works the post in order to get up a shot.
- Freshman Landon Fischbach takes the ball to the hoop.
- Junior Josh Clemens shoots the ball on the right wing.
- Freshman Evan Finley passes the ball into the lane to his teammate.
- Junior Jerry Serfling sets a screen for the point guard.
- Junior Dalton Franck drives to the middle of the lane for an easy shot.

Winter





Senior Grasen Lechner brings the ball down the court, avoiding the press.

Scoreboard

Sully Buttes	44-76
Hoven-Edmunds Central	46-43
Warner	41-51
Waubay	59-54
Gettysburg	48-52
Aberdeen Christian	42-45
Ipswich	55-30
Miller	35-51
Warner	32-74
Leola-Frederick	45-64
Faulkton Area	46-56
Langford	30-83
Wolsey-Wessington	40-58
Florence-Henry	51-48
Webster	45-54
Summit	50-53
Redfield-Doland	39-52
Hitchcock-Tulare	46-77
Aberdeen Christian	63-50
Districts	
Warner	36-55

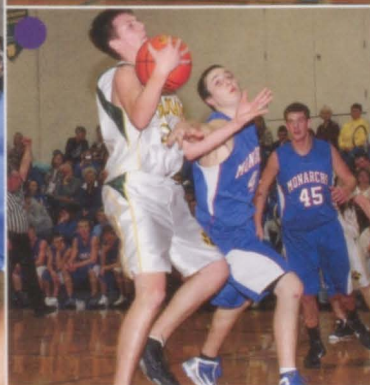
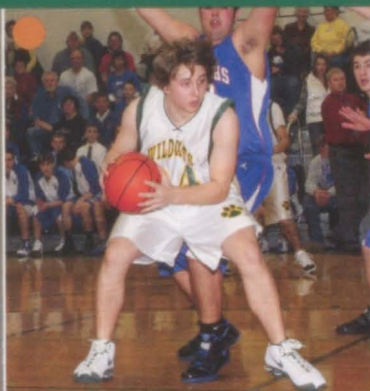
Record: 5-15



"Even though we're losing three great seniors, it was a great year, and I'm really looking forward to next season," junior Dalton Franck said.



"It was a good year, but we are going to miss the three seniors. I am looking forward to next year," freshman Landon Fischbach said.



VOED and Industrial Tech

Students made many different projects in various Northwestern tech programs. The projects ranged from a shed to cars powered only by electricity. The shop at Northwestern has extremely well-maintained tools for students to use. From sixth-grade all the way to the seniors, any students who took tech classes left with important knowledge about different aspects of construction or welding. All shop classes are watched over by a very knowledgeable teacher, Mr. Jerry Sauer.

"It has been a joy to work with all of the various students this year, from the sixth-grade all the way to the seniors," Sauer said.

Other tech programs, available at the Hub Area Technical School in Aberdeen, included automotive, graphic design and construction.

The classes all worked on different projects, such as building a house from the floor up. Other students learned about working on cars. The knowledge they gained from these programs is extremely valuable and will assist them in their future occupations.

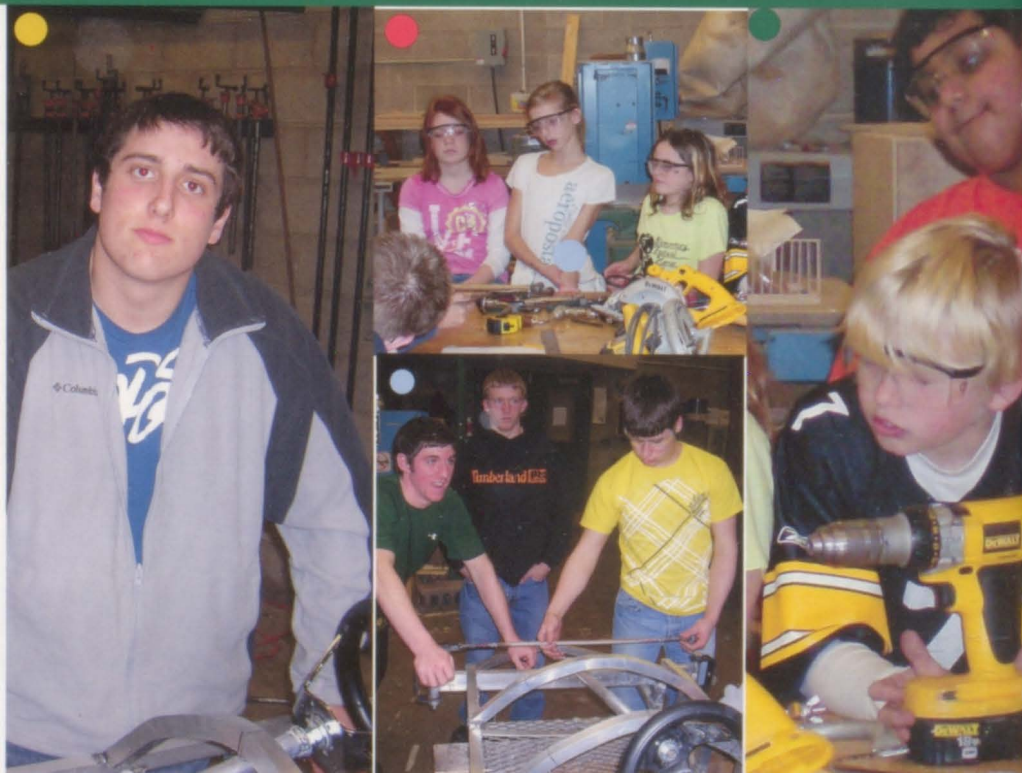
"These classes are really good for teaching students by giving hands-on experience in different fields," Logen Lechner said.



Junior Michael Hinnners works during his automotive class during VOED.

"I really like my automotive class. It is fun," junior Michael Hinnners said.

- Junior Alex Bauer takes a break and looks on during his welding class.
- Sixth-graders Darienne Frericks, Kaylee Hoellein and Andrea Rausch listen to Mr. Jerry Sauer during shop class.
- Juniors Michael Smith and Casey Bade help senior Stetson Kretschmar on the electric car.
- Sixth-graders Brayden Genzler and Wyatt Hahler listen to instructions during shop.
- Sophomore Tyler Roe works on the walls during VOED.
- Junior Kara Fischbach cuts a piece of pipe during a class.
- Senior Jalen Diede hammers away during tech class.
- Junior Rachel Finley continues her graphic design assignment at VOED.
- Junior Logen Lechner puts a part on the electric car during welding class.
- Tech teacher Mr. Jerry Sauer demonstrates how to use tools in the shop.





Junior Logen Lechner applies wall texture during building trades.



"My class is very small, and it's close and personal, and I consider going into visual communications," junior Rachel Finley said.



"The best part is probably the bus ride up to VOED," senior Jalen Deide said.



Industrial Tech

Cheerleading

This year has been a great time, full of many wonderful sporting events that let all students express their school spirit. Do not forget about the cheerleaders who helped pump up spirits and get students ready to show their support at the events.

Whether it was passing out prizes or just doing some of their favorite cheers, everyone enjoys going to the games and getting involved with the great things the cheerleaders do to get students' spirit pumped up. The football and boys' basketball teams played well with the cheerleaders cheering them on.

The high school cheerleaders put in a lot of effort to make the events fun and a great time for both the fans and the team members.

"It was a great way to express my school spirit, and I enjoyed every minute of it," said junior Alyssa Morgan.

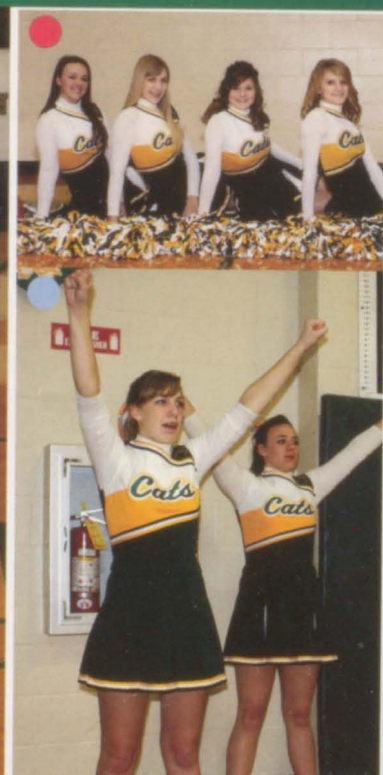
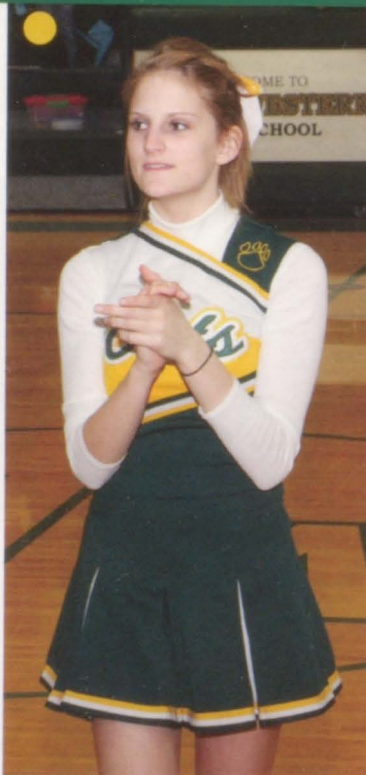
The girls worked hard to prepare for the games and also the cheer competitions that they were involved in this year. The competition cheer team participated in cheerleading competitions throughout South Dakota, representing Northwestern well.



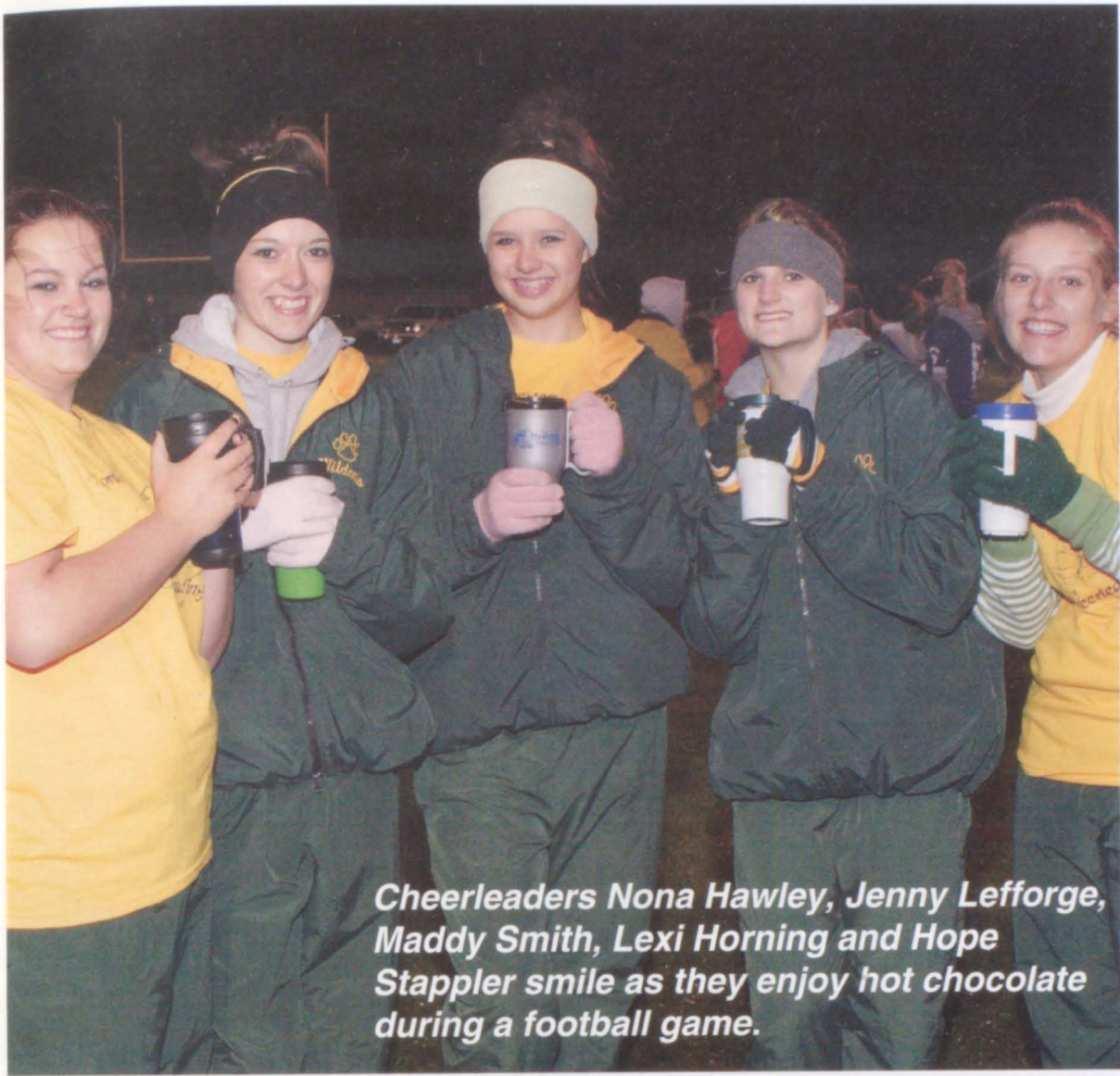
2009 Competition Cheer Team

Front Row: Gabby Morgan, Nona Hawley, Lexi Horning and Jenny Lefforge. Back Row: Jenna Larson, Laken Frericks, Alyssa Morgan, Hilary Frericks and cheerleading adviser Holly Morgan.

- Senior Lexi Horning cheers at a home boys' basketball game.
- Seniors Jenna Larson, Alyssa Harmon, Lexi Horning and junior Alyssa Morgan participated on the boys' basketball cheerleading squad.
- Junior Alyssa Morgan and senior Jenna Larson encourage the basketball team.
- Senior Nona Hawley gets the crowd fired up at a football game.
- Kindergarten through sixth-grade girls participated in the Lil' Cats Cheer Camp Feb. 19.
- Kindergartner Jessica Boekleheide stretches for her cheerleading performance at the boys' basketball game.
- Senior Jenna Larson gets the crowd pumped up for a home basketball game.
- Senior Hope Stappler drinks hot chocolate to keep warm at one of the chilly football games.
- Football Cheerleaders: Sophomores Maddy Smith, Jenny Lefforge and seniors Lexi Horning, Hope Stappler and Nona Hawley.
- Sophomore Jenny Lefforge cheers while trying to keep warm on a cold Friday night football game.



Winter



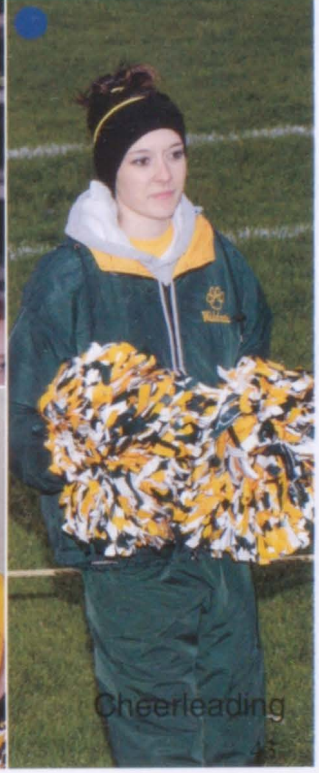
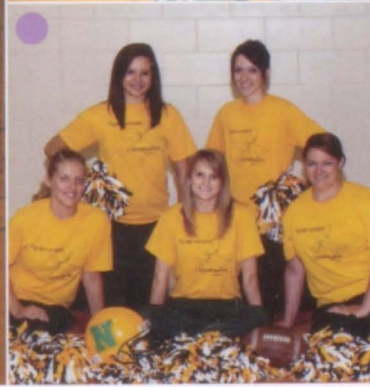
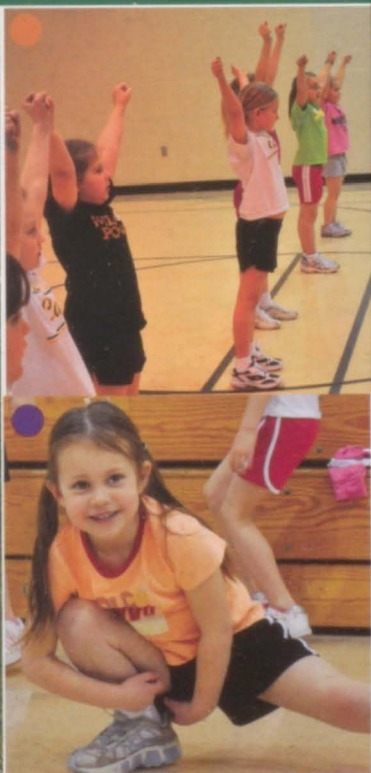
Cheerleaders Nona Hawley, Jenny Lefforge, Maddy Smith, Lexi Horning and Hope Stappler smile as they enjoy hot chocolate during a football game.



"I like cheering and the close games because the crowd gets really into it," junior Alyssa Morgan said.



"I really liked the dancing at the cheer camp," first-grader Hailie Stuck said.



FCA and Youth Group

At Northwestern High School, students get a chance to further their relationship with God. The opportunity to be involved in two groups, such as youth group and Fellowship of Christian Athletes, gives students the ability to show their beliefs and at the same time be active with fellow students and teachers.

FCA allows the members to pray for each other and themselves. Before every game this past year, the group met in the gym to pray for their team and the opponent's team. Mrs. Denise Clemens, the FCA adviser this past year, with seniors Megan Peterson, Carolina Hansen and Carly Peterson, served as the huddle leaders. Fifteen members in the group range from freshmen to seniors.

"I have been in FCA for all four years of high school, and I have had a good time with it," senior Nona Hawley said.

Northwestern students also attend youth groups and confirmation classes. Many of the students attend the Tri-Parish youth group at the Northwestern United Methodist Church in Mellette, located across the street from the school.

This group meets once a month on the first Wednesday of the month. Some students attend CCD and a confirmation class, however.

"Youth group is really fun because we get to play games, eat snacks and learn Bible lessons," seventh-grader Hannah Palmer said.



Eighth-graders Nathan Palmer and Nathan Frericks compete in a race held at the Frericks's farm.

- Seventh-grader Corbin Smith sweeps during his community project for youth group.
- All-Saints Catholic youth group enjoys a nice, relaxing weekend at Timber Lake.
- Sophomores Kathy Stuck, Shelby Peterson and eighth-grader Jeanna Duncan pose in front of the Ontario sign.
- Eighth-grader Jeanna Duncan and seventh-grader Zach Duncan listen closely to their youth adviser during a monthly youth group meeting.
- Youth group members of the Tri-Parish enjoy a day of miniature golf.
- Sophomore Katrina Frericks takes a picture with a child she meet on her missionary trip to Cambodia.
- Senior Nona Hawley teaches a bible lesson to children in Canada.
- Sophomore Jussy Tuscherer competes in a finger war at the Barn Bash.
- Sophomore Kathy Stuck races around in the go-carts at Thunder Road in Aberdeen.
- Seniors Nona Hawley and Carly Peterson sing at local church in Canada.





The Tri-Parish youth group took a missions trip to Canada this summer.



"Youth group is a blast, and it is good to be involved," junior Alex Bauer said.



"I like everything about youth group," junior Logen Lechner said.



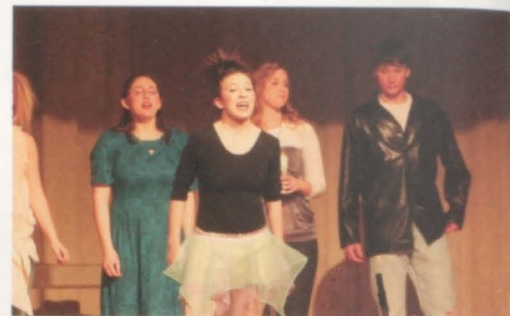
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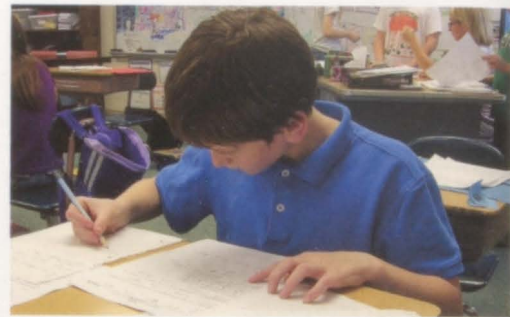
Kindergartner Maddie Williams enjoys painting pumpkins with the FBLA.



Sophomores Mariah Taylor, Gabby Morgan, Haley Wetzler and Madison Smith dance to the Macarena at prom April 17.



Freshman Calli Peterson orders others around while performing in the one-act play.



Fourth-grader Zachary McCabe works hard on his homework so he does not have to take it home.

WRAPPING UP HOMEWORK



Junior Joni Boekelheide gives the shot put a toss at the LRC meet.



Eighth-grader Luther Johnson plays the French horn during pep band this year.



Freshman Kaitlyn Sparling works quickly to finish her math assignment before class begins.



Juniors Jerry Serfling and Alyssa Morgan stroll through the grand march at prom April 17.

Throughout the 2009-2010 school year, students created many memories. Classes challenged students in different ways. The homework assignments came in oodles, but students persevered and completed their classes without a problem. Many are glad to be done with school for another summer break.

Future Business Leaders of America

The FBLA chapter attends the state conference in Sioux Falls April 11-13.



Sophomore Katrina Frericks waits patiently to finish donating blood at the FBLA blood drive in March.

Sophomores Laine Mielke, Shelby Peterson and Laken Frericks take a seat to wait for the FBLA meeting to begin.



First-grader Jackson Mielke carefully paints his pumpkin during the FBLA pumpkin painting event in October.

“ My favorite part about FBLA was getting up really early to get to the meetings, senior Carly Peterson said. ”



Sophomore Alex Boekelheide and freshman Landon Fischbach enjoy the general assembly at the state FBLA conference.



Junior Dalton Franck stands next to his booth for FBLA state treasurer. Franck won the election.



Second-grader Danielle Watson shows off the pumpkin she painted with the FBLA members.



Kindergartner Nicholas Troske carefully paints his pumpkin to perfection.



Junior Hilary Frericks and sophomore Katrina Frericks make orange Julius drinks for FBLA members.





Parliamentary procedures, job interviews, emerging business issues, and management decisions all sound difficult to the common citizen, but not to the members of Future Business Leaders of America.

During the state FBLA conference, students take written tests, attend conferences, and perform presentations to judges.

NW won largest local chapter-school population with 61 percent. Juniors Alex Bauer and Michael Smith placed second in management decision making. The parliamentary procedure team placed first. Sophomore Laine Mielke placed first in word processing, while sophomore Haley Wetzler placed second. Sophomore Katrina Frericks placed second in chapter scrapbook. Juniors Amanda Finley and Dalton Franck placed first in business presentation. Junior Kara Fischbach placed second in word process II, while sophomore Mariah Taylor placed second. Junior Hilary Frericks placed second in client service, while Fischbach placed second in job interview. Franck placed first in spreadsheet applications.

"The FBLA members represented Northwestern well," FBLA president Landon Gab said.

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Senior Betsey Borchard studies for a quiz while donating blood at the FBLA blood drive.

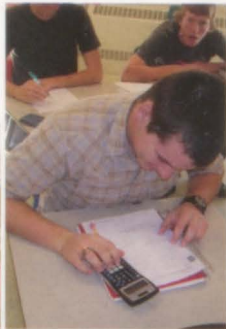
Senior Colette Fortin pays close attention to what president Landon Gab has to say during a meeting.



Second-graders Cassidy Frericks and Madalyn Groft watch as sophomore Laken Frericks shows them how to effectively decorate their pumpkins.

Math & Science

Junior Justin Dirksen takes tedious notes during Algebra II.



Junior Jeramiah Serfling works hard on his Algebra II quiz.

Math teacher Mrs. Amanda Fa'onelua explains the homework to the Algebra II class on the smart board.



The Algebra II class begins to work on their assignments.



“ I love it! They mix letters and numbers together in algebra. It makes it a lot more fun, junior Alex Bauer said. ”



Sophomore Jared Fischer tests the water during one of the biology class's trips to the James River.



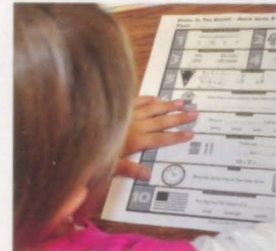
Senior Michelle Two Hearts works on her physiology assignment in class.



Sixth-graders enjoy themselves on the MTI truck brought by Mitchell Technical Institute.



Second-grader Tya Weideman works on her math worksheet during math.



Sophomores Jenny Leforge and Shelby Peterson concentrate on their geometry quizzes.





This year, Northwestern welcomed back one of its own students from years past to teach the math classes.

Amanda (Peterson) Fa'Onelua became the new math teacher at the school. She passed her knowledge to all of the high school students in classes such as pre-calculus, Algebra I and II and geometry.

"I'm glad to be back at Northwestern. I enjoy being part of the Northwestern community again while working with so many familiar faces. I look forward to more great years with the staff," Fa'Onelua said.

Junior Dalton Franck placed second at the conference math contest in senior math.

Mrs. Denise Clemens taught high school science this year. While Clemens took maternity leave, Miss Jenna Hughes took her place teaching the high school.

"It has been a great experience getting to know everyone. I will definitely miss it," Hughes said.

Mrs. Tamra Haven taught middle school science this year.

At the regional science fair, junior Amanda Finley received the Dr. Rehfeld Award, including \$150 and a plaque.

Math

Science



Senior Lexi Horning works on her physiology paper during class.



Junior Chelsea Fischbach finishes up her Algebra II quiz.



The Mitchell Technical Institute brought a truck for industrial technology students to study. Students used a wide variety of different tools to test problems they had.

Prom

Under the Sea

Junior Ashly Wise and senior Michelle Two Hearts walk together during grand march.



Senior Will Cass shows off his "guns" before the dance at prom.

Junior Josh Clemens and senior Zach Wood decide to leave grand march and head to the beach.



Senior Jordan Breeding and sophomore Kathy Stuck take a stroll during grand march.

“ I thought prom was great and was a great way to end my senior year, senior Alyssa Harmon said. ”



Juniors Dalton Franck and Amanda Finley share a moment of romance during grand march.



Junior Shaina Jensen poses for the camera before prom.



Senior Anysia Reed and junior Hilary Frericks enjoy the spot light while walking through grand march.

Seniors Jessie Sitter and Cory Oberfoell get ready to race through grand march wearing their helmets.



Junior Chelsea Fischbach and her date walk through for grand march.





Students traded in their blue jeans for expensive dresses and clean-cut tuxedos April 17. The "Under The Sea theme" made a splash for the couples attending the elegant evening.

"I greatly enjoyed prom. The juniors did a great job setting up the 'Under the Sea' theme," junior Alyssa Morgan said.

In the late afternoon, the couples ventured out on their own to eat a delicious meal and then came back to the school to take pictures. After the grand march, the couples danced the night away to music provided by Matt Larson.

Post prom was enjoyed by everyone at the Aberdeen Family YMCA. All enjoyed the swimming, basketball, intense games of racquetball and the food.

Every person had a chance to win some big prizes at post prom. In the early morning, the couples loaded up the school busses and embarked back to the school to end the night.

"Prom was a wonderful experience," senior Betsey Borchard said.



Sophomores Madison Smith and Mariah Taylor pull out their swords and eye patches for grand march.



Junior Logen Lechner puts on his costume to fight some crime during grand march.



Seniors Stetson Kretschmar and Grasen Lechner decide to take a break during grand march to play a game of cards and to puff on their bubble pipes.

Under

The Sea

Music

"How is it that music can, without words, evoke our laughter, our tears, our highest aspiration?"

~Jane Swan

The high school drum line gets ready for their big march.

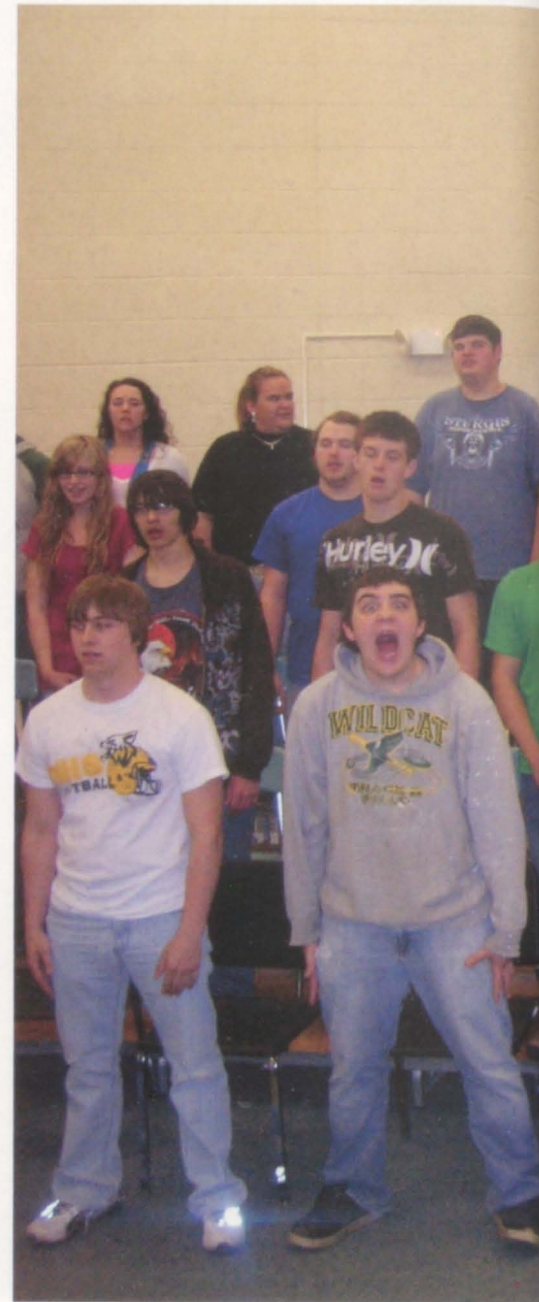


Sophomore Shelby Peterson plays on the snare during pep band at a basketball game.

Sophomore Gabby Morgan and eighth-grader Paige Metzinger play their bari saxophones during pep band at a boys' basketball game.



Freshmen Alex Hawley and Warren Walter join the beat during pep band at a boys' basketball game.



Band gives you different experiences than other classes, senior Caroline Hansen said.



Eighth-grader Donna Harmon sings with the voice of an angel.



Eighth-grader Jeanna Duncan and sixth-grader Trevor Bohl practice their band songs for the Redfield music contest in April.



Junior Shaina Jensen and senior Michelle Two Hearts play along with the band during pep band at a boys' basketball game.



Seventh-grader Zachary Duncan plays during the middle school music festival held at Northwestern School this year.



Sophomore Laken Frericks warms up before starting band practice.





The band and chorus this year embraced new ideas by introducing a drum line.

Mrs. Stephanie Lunstrum directed the high school band and chorus, and Mrs. Wendy Thorson taught the middle school and elementary music.

The band and chorus put on three different concerts in addition to playing pep band music for some of the football and basketball games.

"This year was actually the best year we have ever had in chorus. I am very proud of all of the students that were in chorus, and I am going to miss all of the seniors that are leaving," said Lunstrum.

At region contest, the high school band received a I rating, and the chorus received a I-.

Northwestern held a middle school music festival for area schools in October. In February, the middle school band performed at the Band Master's Convention in Brookings. In April, the middle school band received a I+ rating at the Redfield music contest.

Chorus

Band



Junior Logen Lechner plays Mr. Incredible while Zach Wood stands in amazement in seeing him during the pops concert in May.



The high school chorus sings on the stage during the pops concert in May.



Sophomore Justine Tuscherer playing the trumpet in the cold during a home football game.

Journalism & English

Senior Jenna Larson works on her senior project for Technical English.



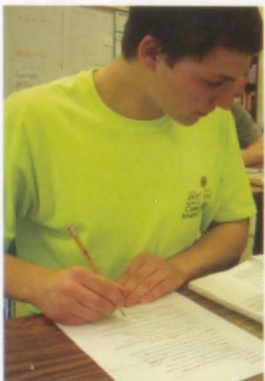
Senior Korie Braun looks up a piece of information on her iPod Touch. All Advanced Placement English students received iPod Touches loaded with e-books, study guides and videos to aide in their studying.

Sophomore Logan Brown takes his turn working in the concession stand for journalism class. The journalism class raised \$1,200 from concessions.



Freshmen English students work on their assignment for *Romeo and Juliet*.

English is very important, and proper grammar will take you farther in life, senior Jenna Larson said.



Sophomore Trevor Toennies takes his AP style quiz in Journalism I.

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Senior Carly Peterson studies on her iPod Touch before her AP English semester exam.



Seniors Alyssa Harmon and Jenna Larson work on their Tech English assignment to avoid having to take it home.

Junior Elizabeth Leonhardt works hard on her study guide for British Literature.



Senior Logan Clemensen takes a break out of his busy schedule to work on the yearbook.





English is vital for communication skills. In the English classes offered at Northwestern, students learned to read, write, speak and listen properly.

Mrs. Christy Cardella's middle school English classes covered everything from grammar to literature and writing to prepare them for high school English classes.

"I really like English because it is fun," eighth-grader Nathan Palmer said.

The freshman class worked mainly with grammar and proper sentence structure. They read short stories and *Romeo and Juliet* in literature.

"Freshman English is a lot harder, and we have a lot more work than last year," freshman Jake Groft said.

The sophomore class started the off working on their speaking skills when they delivered numerous speeches. The second half of the year, they read the *Tragedy of Julius Caesar*, short stories, nonfiction and poems.

Junior year, English students focused on both British and American literature.

Senior year, the students are either enrolled in Advanced Placement English or Technical English. AP students read many stories and expanded their vocabulary, preparing them for life in universities. Tech students learned how to write technical manuals and business communication to prepare them for tech school.

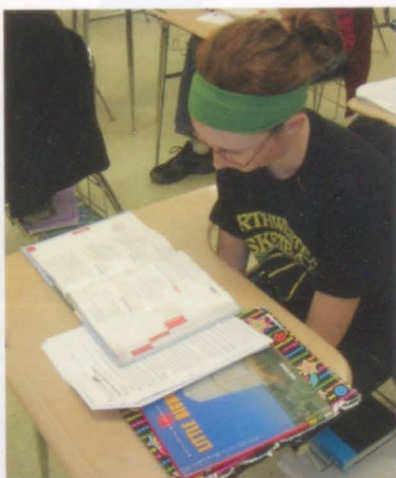
Journalism students wrote stories for the school newspaper and created the yearbook. Journalism I students also learned proper journalism style by taking quizzes from the Associated Press stylebook. The journalism class printed approximately 500 newspapers each month.

"I am impressed with the improvement the class made through Laine Mielke's leadership," Mrs. Nora Groft said.

Journalism



Seventh-grader Haley Grandpre reads her textbook in Mrs. Christy Cardella's English class.



Junior Michael Hinners writes a paper defining the qualities of a good friend for English

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Journalism student Jared Fischer sells cookie dough to Mrs. Jeannine Jilek. The journalism students raised \$1,600 toward the cost of printing the yearbook in color.

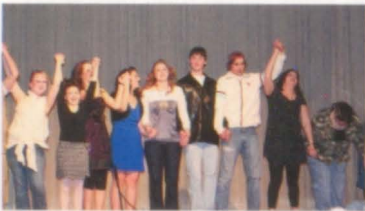
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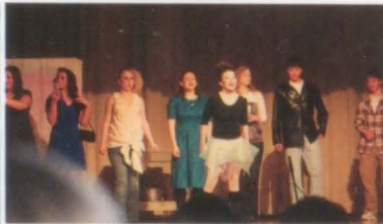
Drama Club

Cast members of the one-act play take a bow after their performance. The one-act play advanced to the state competition.

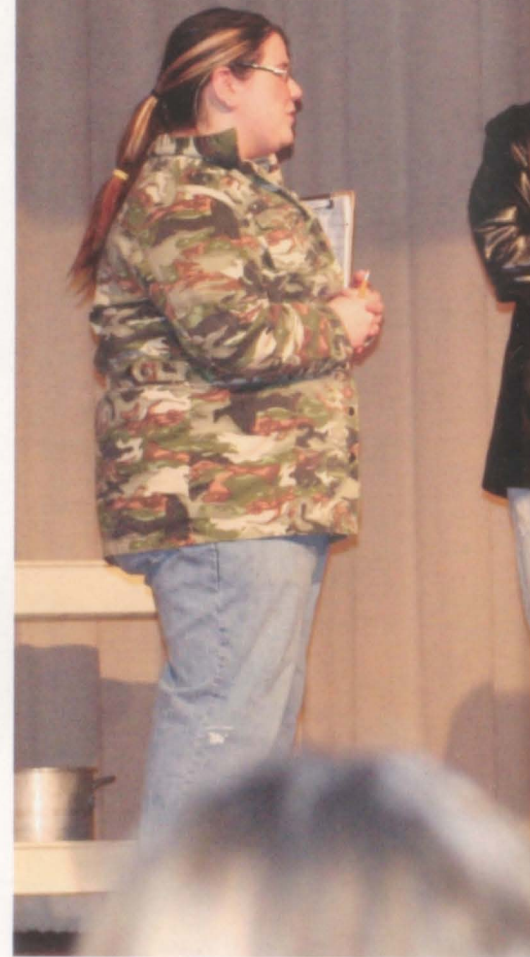


Sophomore Kathy Stuck and junior Josh Clemens rehearse their lines together after school.

Sophomore Kathy Stuck works to build the back drop for the play on the stage.



Freshman Calli Peterson acts her heart out during play.



“ Drama is a good experience, and you learn a lot, junior Elizabeth Leonhardt said. ”



Sophomore Annie Lutter and junior Amanda Finley rehearse a scene during play practice.



Juniors Dalton Franck and Amanda Finley take a break on the play set.



The drama club performs their parts on stage while the crowd watches in amazement.



Oral Interpretation students Ashly Wise, Elizabeth Leonhardt, Alex Hawley, Warren Walter, Dalton Franck, Rachel Finley, and Michelle Two Hearts prepare for contest.



The cast from the one-act play perform their parts to perfection.





Drama is back in the high school as usual. Oral interp, one-act play, and all-school play all experienced success this year.

In oral interp, a group of students went to state with their readers' theater performance. Four other solo students advanced to the region contest.

The one-act play had a record amount of students in it this year, with one fourth of the high school participating. *All I Really Need to Know I Learned by Being in a Bad Play* advanced to state with two students receiving acting awards at both region and state competition.

"One-act play was a fun and challenging experience this year. It was fun to get so many first-time actors/actresses on stage, and the state competition was a great time," senior Caroline Hansen said.

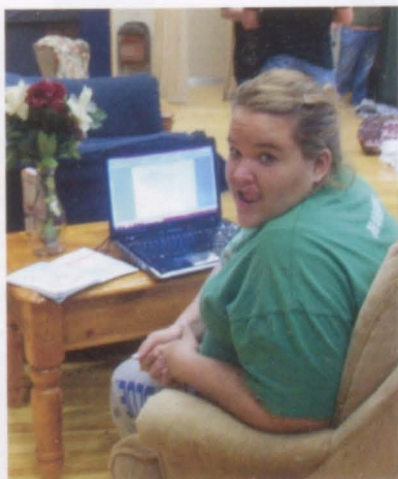
My Cousin Lino was the all-school play this year. The students in the play put on a dinner theater for the play.

One

Act Play



Senior Caroline Hansen looks on and takes charge of play practice after school.



Juniors Alyssa Morgan and Amanda Finley read their lines before rehearsal.



One-Act Play Cast Members
 Front Row: juniors Rachel Finley and Hilary Frericks. Row Two: juniors Ashly Wise, Alyssa Morgan, Dalton Franck and Kara Fischbach. Back Row: juniors Elizabeth Leonhardt, Jerry Serfling and Josh Clemens.

Track & Field

Eighth-grader Jacob Heidenreich runs a leg of a sprint relay for the high school track team.



Sophomore Haley Wetsler muscles her way to the finish line during the 1,600-meter relay at the Lake Region Conference Meet May 4.

Eighth-grader Alyssa Steward hustles around the track during 200-meter dash.



Junior Joni Boekelheide jumps over hurdles at the Ipswich track meet.

Track is very fun and keeps me in shape, sophomore Gabby Morgan said.



Freshman Ashley Clemens anchors the 400-meter relay.



Junior Casey Bade runs with the baton during 3,200-meter relay.



Senior Megan Peterson sprints right behind sophomore Mariah Taylor during the open 400-meter dash.

Sophomore Shelby Peterson gives it her all while throwing the shot put.



Freshman Kimberly Miles takes off after being handed the baton in the 800-meter relay.





Eight individuals qualified for the state track meet this season.

Two individuals qualified by breaking the standard time. Junior Josh Clemens qualified in the 800-meter dash with a time of 2:04. Senior Megan Peterson qualified in the high jump with a jump of 4-11.

Two relays also advanced to the state meet as well. The girls' medley relay of freshman Ashley Clemens, senior Megan Peterson and sophomores Mariah Taylor and Haley Wetzler placed second at the region meet with a time of 4:41.90 to qualify for the state meet.

"It was really exciting making it to state again, and we should have a great time," sophomore Haley Wetzler said.

The boys' 3,200-meter relay team of juniors Josh Clemens, Casey Bade and Ethan Steward and eighth-grader Delbert Leonhardt qualified by taking first place at regions. The group ran in a time of 8.50.10.

"It is pretty awesome making it to state track," junior Ethan Steward said.

With 49 middle school athletes out for track this year, the program should continue to make strides and to build on the successful season this year.

Track &



Eighth-grader Delbert Leonhardt runs on the high school 3,200-meter relay team that qualified for the state track meet.

Track Schedule

- NSU Indoor
- H/T Patriot Invitational
- Eureka Early Bird
- Britton
- Ipswich Early Bird
- Warner Invite
- Redfield Relays
- Ipswich Relays
- Groton Kiwanis
- Ipswich Invite
- LRC
- 4-Star
- Miller Invite
- Hamlin Last Chance
- Region 1B
- State Meet



Front Row: Mariah Taylor, Haley Wetzler, Kimberly Miles, Gabby Morgan and Nona Hawley. Second Row: Jenny Lefforge, Shelby Peterson, Megan Peterson, Lexi Horning, Ashley Clemens, Joni Boekelheide and Chelsea Fischbach. Third Row: Delbert Leonhardt, Landon Fischbach, Cory Oberfoell, Josh Clemens, Ethan Steward and Jerry Serfling. Back Row: Coach Wade Rozell, Jacob Heidenreich, Justin Dirksen, Casey Bade and Coach Scott Boone.

Field

Track & Field

Graduation

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We learn from the past, test the present, and challenge the future.

Seniors Anysia Reed and Hope Stappler smile brightly as they start the processional.

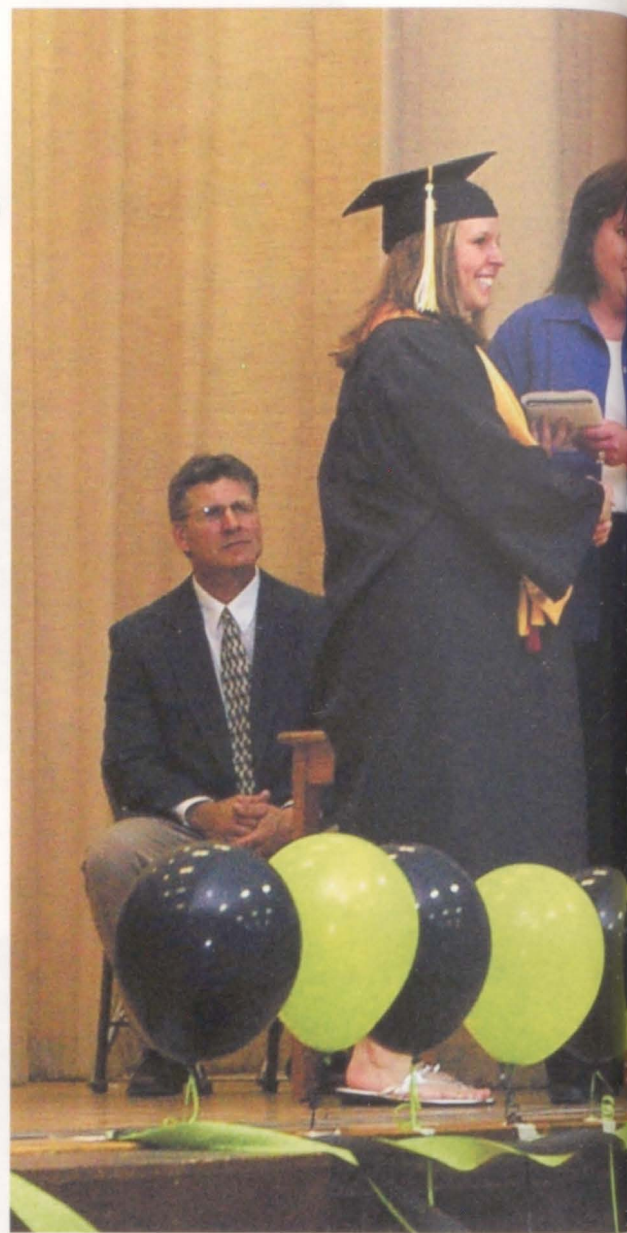


Senior Brock Penfield gives the welcome speech at the graduation ceremony.

Seniors Stetson Kretschmar and Landon Gab spoke about the good times the class has had together.



Senior Evan Morgan and Cory Oberfoell prepare to walk to the stage.



“ ”

Northwestern has prepared me for the future by giving me the knowledge and experience that I need to do well in life, senior Cory Oberfoell said.



Senior Logan Clemens and his mom, Michelle Clemens, share a loving hug along with tears during the ceremony.



Senior Alexis Horning gave thanks to the teachers, parents, friends, and classmates.



Senior Zachary Wood spoke of the humorous moments the class has shared together.



Mrs. Jeannine Jilek gives senior Gary Phillips a hug of congratulations in the receiving line.



Seniors Korie Braun and Jordan Breeding smile as they walk to the stage.



The 2010 senior class, consisting of 28 students, gathered at school one last time to say farewell to each other after spending years of laughter and memories together.

The day featured many pictures, hugs, tears and numerous thanks.

The seniors made their grand entrance into a gymnasium full of friends and family and proceeded to the stage to wait patiently for the ceremony to finish.

As the commencement exercises began, senior class president Brock Penfield welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming.

Alexis Horning then went on to thank the parents and teachers for helping the class be all that they could be. Keeping it short, she ended with the quote "Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened." Zachary Wood added more thanks in his speech, and congratulated his class on their accomplishment.

After the band selection, Landon Gab and Stetson Kretschmar reminisced about memories with the class and good times they had shared together.

The graduates took the chance to say goodbye to their families as they handed out roses and hugs while Anysia Reed sang "I'll Be," and Michelle Two Hearts sang "Don't Forget To Remember Me."

One by one the graduates accepted their diplomas, and Mr. Rich Osborn presented the class.

As the ceremony came to an end, all of the graduates went their separate ways, each ready to begin a new and exciting path in a future yet unknown, just waiting to be discovered.



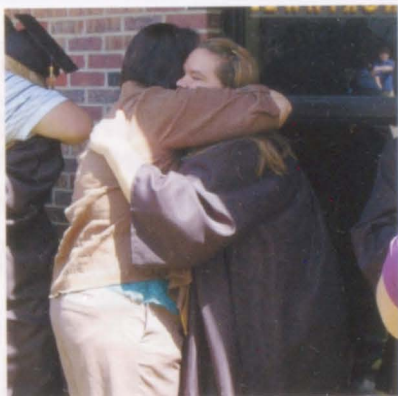
Senior Betsey Borchard poses with school board chairwoman Lisa Franck while receiving her diploma.

Class of

2010



Senior Caroline Hansen and her mom, Carrie Hansen, embrace in an emotional hug after the graduation ceremony.



Class honor guards juniors Kara Fischbach and Amanda Finley participated in the ceremony.



The Northwestern High School graduating class of 2010 poses on the stage after receiving their diplomas.

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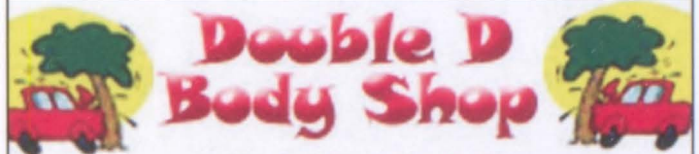
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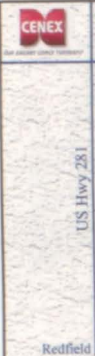
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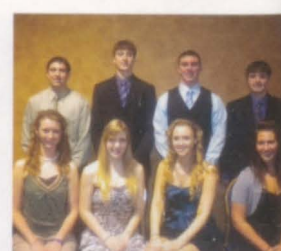
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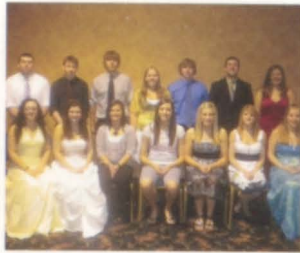


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Girls' basketball award winners



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Sophomore FBLA members

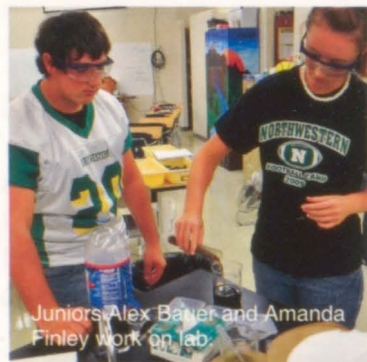


Senior Will Cass screens shirts.

Wrapping



Football cheerleaders work hard to get the crowd into the game.



Juniors Alex Bauer and Amanda Finley work on lab.

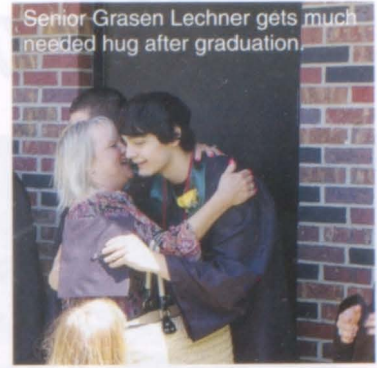


Senior Cory Oberfoell gets good luck kiss from his mom before a game.

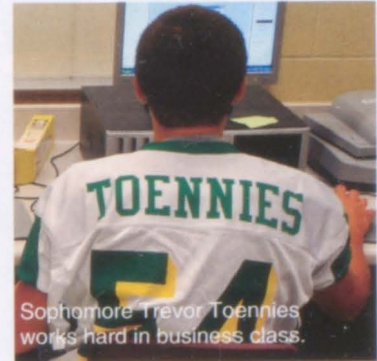
Throughout the year, Northwestern students displayed talents and hard work to finish the year. Whether it was in athletics, in the classroom, on the stage, or in a different area, students strived and excelled at every level.

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It Up



Senior Grasen Lechner gets much needed hug after graduation.



Sophomore Trevor Toennies works hard in business class.



Sophomore Haley Wetzler pays close attention in class.



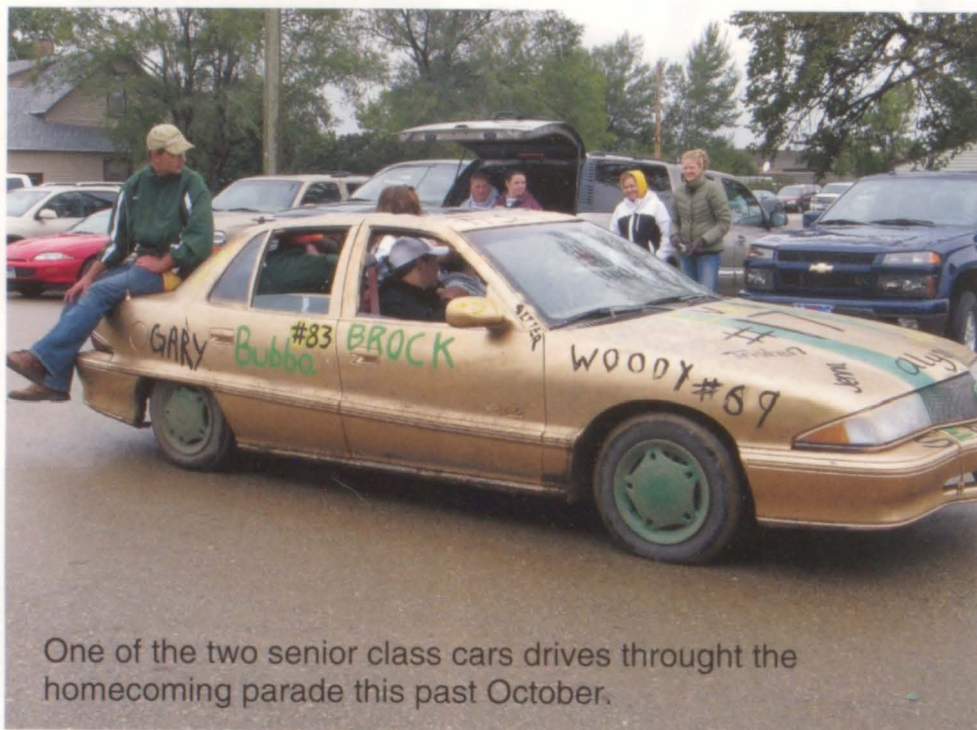
Senior Zech Wood enjoys riding horse back.



At Northwestern the students work throughout the year to finish what they started. The 2010 school year is coming to a close, and the students are wrapping it up.

2010

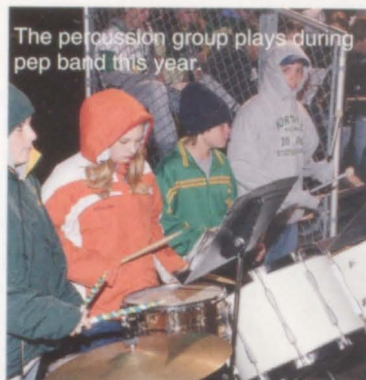
Wrapping It Up



One of the two senior class cars drives through the homecoming parade this past October.



Third-grader Talin Sorensen paints a flower during art class.



The percussion group plays during pep band this year.



Seniors Jenna Larson and Alyssa Harmon show how to do stunts during the cheer camp.

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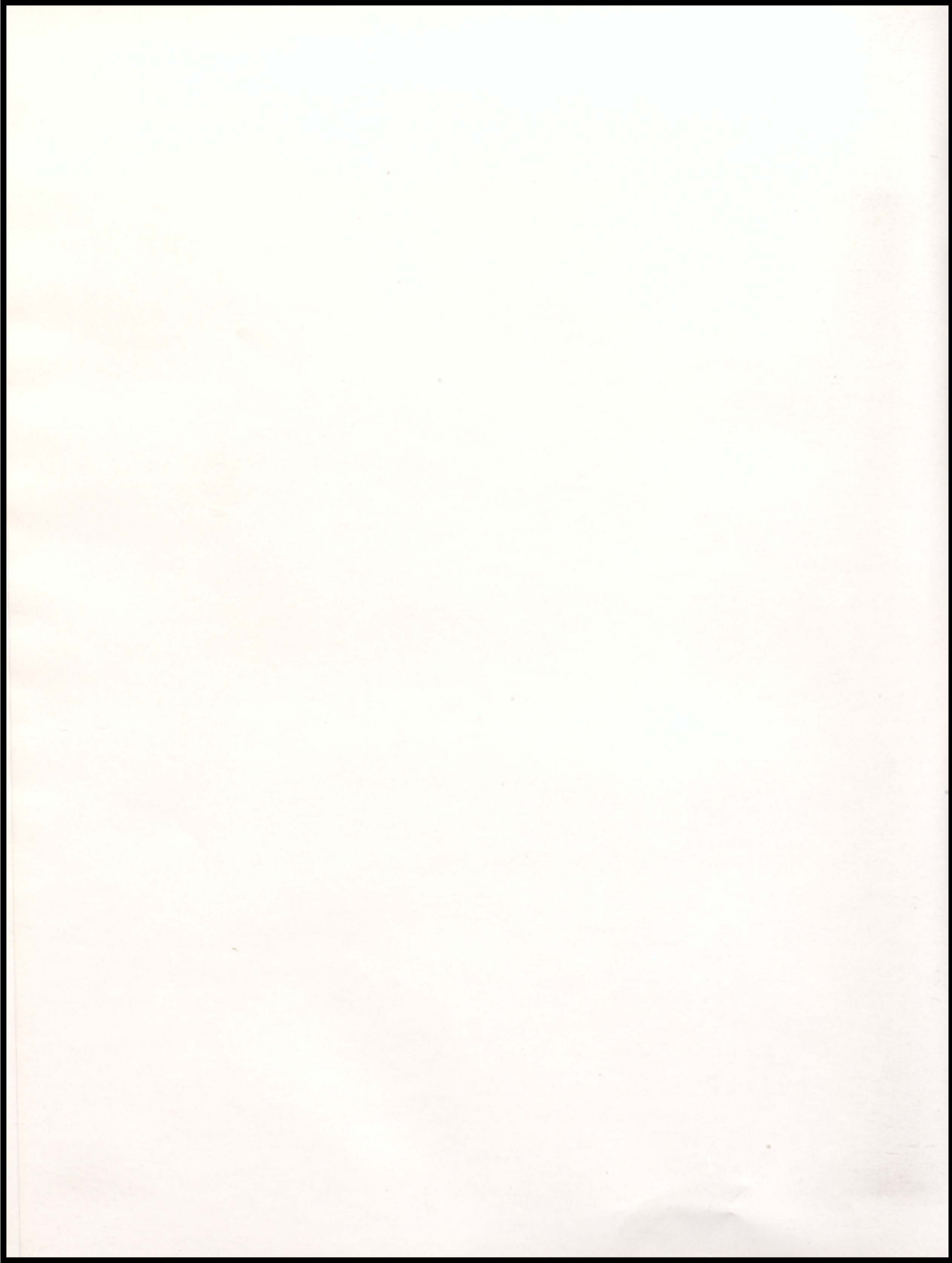
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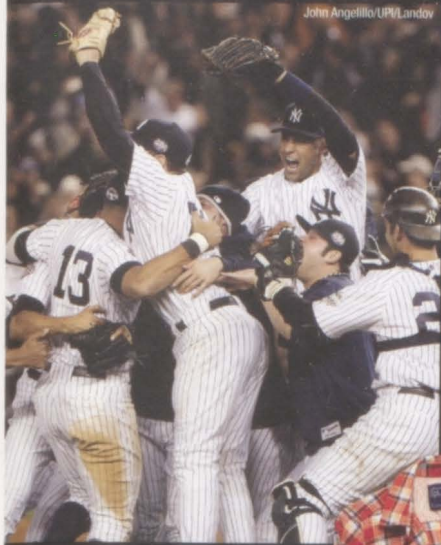
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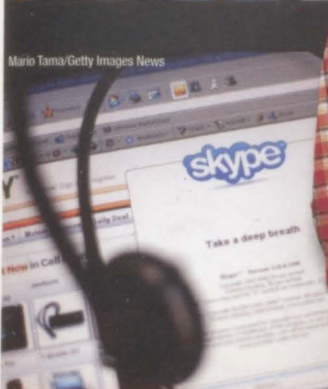






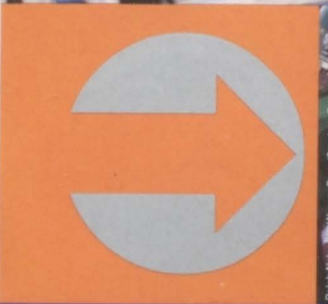
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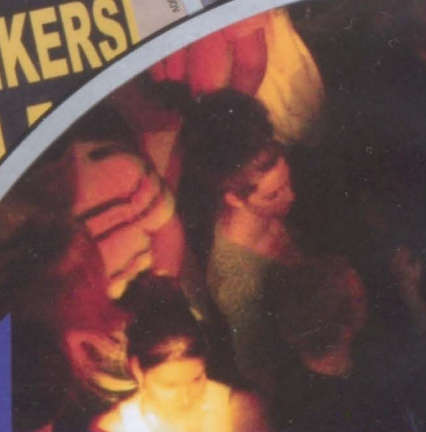
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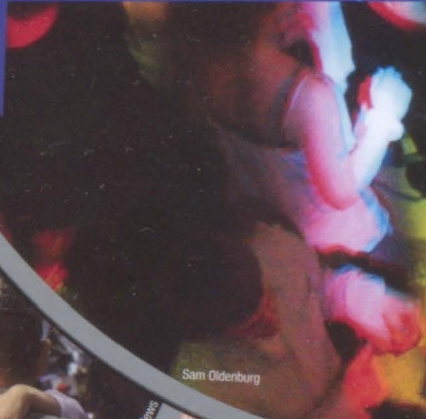
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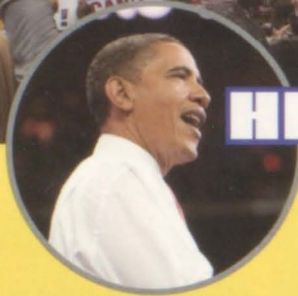


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HEALTH CARE

↑ The United States draws closer to providing health care for all with the passage of reform bills in both the House and the Senate.

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FINAL DISCOVERY FLIGHT



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TROOPS COME HOME



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NEWS

➔ President Obama orders an increase in troops in Afghanistan with a goal of starting to withdraw forces from the country in July 2011.



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↓ Haiti's earthquake – with a magnitude of 7.0 – is declared by the United Nations as the worst disaster it has ever confronted. Aid pours in from the United States and around the world.

EARTHQUAKE IN HAITI



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Belgian Prime Minister Herman Van Rompuy is elected the first president of the European Council (EU) under the Treaty of Lisbon.

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H1N1 FLU VIRUS



The H1N1 virus appears to affect teens more than typical flu viruses. Hand sanitizer is a commonplace sight in classrooms and other public spaces.

H1N1



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America honors the lives of 13 innocent victims of a tragic shooting spree at Fort Hood, Texas, in November.

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2009: 10%

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U.S. population in 2000: 281 million
2009: 305 million

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2009: 350 million

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CHANGING WORLD

FOOD SHELVES

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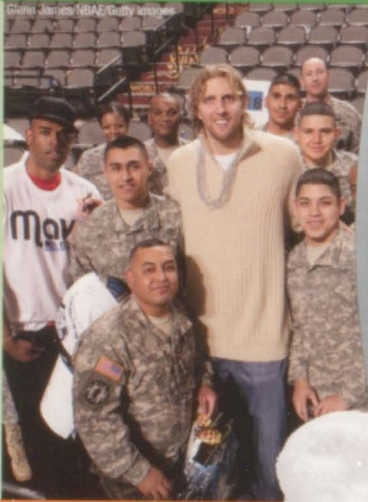
↑ The number of first-time visitors to food shelves surges, as families cope with the economic recession. Food banks report that demand is up 30 percent on average.

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→ The Armed Forces Network broadcasts five NBA games to U.S. troops on Christmas Day. The NBA gives the AFN broadcast rights for free.

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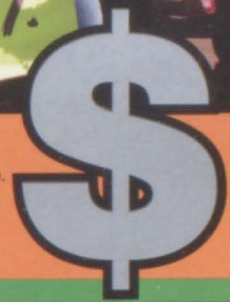
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Students protest the University of California's 32 percent tuition increase. Average tuition is up 4.4 percent for private four-year colleges and up 6.5 percent for public four-year colleges.



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Teens are setting an example for their parents, with 56 percent of teens volunteering to support a charitable cause.

CORDLESS ELECTRICITY



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TOP WAYS TO SAVE ENERGY

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2. Carry a reusable tote bag when you go shopping.
3. Bike or walk instead of driving.
4. Get a reusable metal water bottle.
5. Unplug and shut down electronic devices when not in use.
6. Buy music online instead of purchasing CDs.
7. Use rechargeable batteries instead of disposables.
8. Replace standard light bulbs with compact fluorescent bulbs.
9. In winter, turn down the heat and wear more layers.
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EARTH-FRIENDLY PAINT



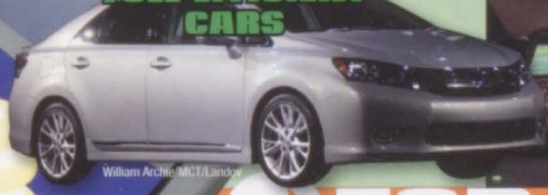
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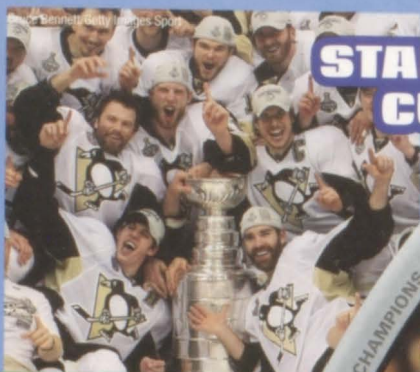


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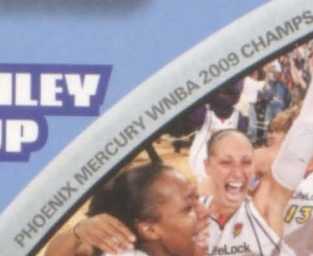
↑ At the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, the top-ranked Alabama Crimson Tide defeats the second-ranked Texas Longhorns to finish the Bowl Championship Series.



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STANLEY CUP

↑ Sidney Crosby becomes the youngest captain to hoist the Stanley Cup as he leads the Pittsburgh Penguins to their third championship and first since 1992.



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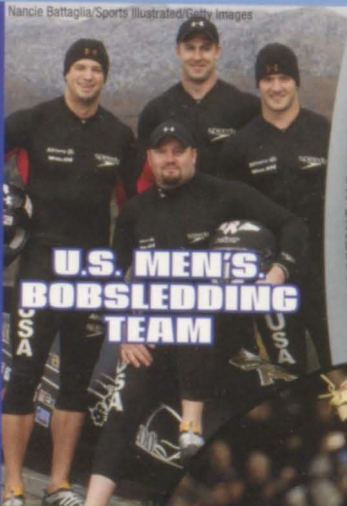


LAKERS 2009 NBA CHAMPIONS



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↻ Team USA heads to Vancouver, British Columbia, for the Winter Olympics. More than 200 athletes represent the United States at the XXI Olympic Winter Games.



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U.S. MEN'S BOBSLEDDING TEAM

↻ The New Orleans Saints beat the Indianapolis Colts 31-17 to win Super Bowl XLIV, their first championship title.



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U.S. MEN'S SOCCER TEAM



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↑ The New York Yankees capture their 27th World Series Championship when they beat the Philadelphia Phillies, four games to two.



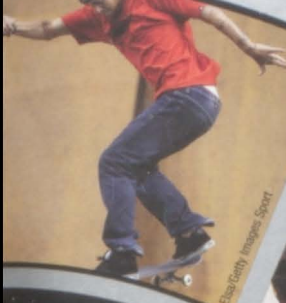
U.S. MEN'S SOCCER TEAM



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TEAM 8

RYAN SHECKLER



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LISA LESLIE RETIRES

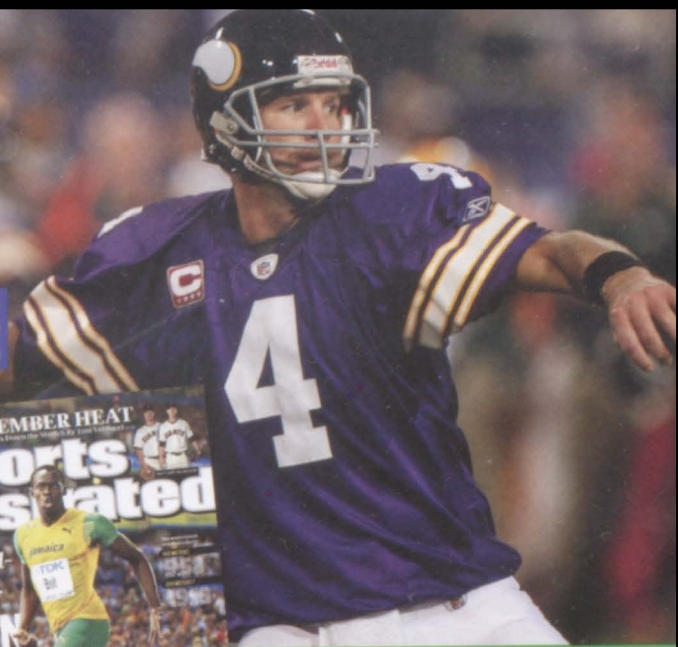


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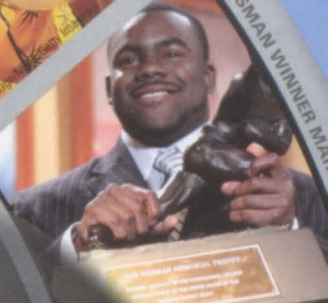
FAVRE

Brett Favre retires from retirement to lead the Minnesota Vikings. At 40, Favre continues to rewrite the record books, including the most-consecutive regular-season games.

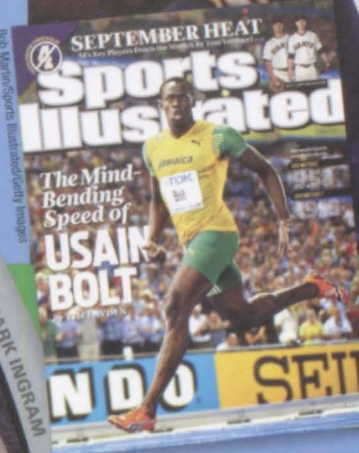
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HEISMAN WINNER MARK INGRAM



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At the 12th IAAF World Championships in Berlin, Jamaican sprinter and three-time Olympic gold medalist Usain Bolt beats his own 100-meter and 200-meter world records.

PLAYERS

RACHAEL FLATT



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Shaun White leads a talented roster for the 2010 Olympic Snowboarding Team that also includes fellow gold medalists Kelly Clark, Hannah Teter and Seth Wescott.



SHAUN WHITE

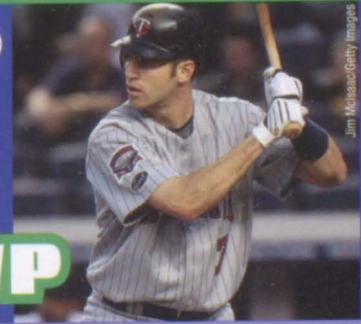
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ROGER FEDERER



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Minnesota Twins' Joe Mauer became only the second catcher in 33 years to win the American League Most Valuable Player Award, finishing first in a near-unanimous vote.



MVP

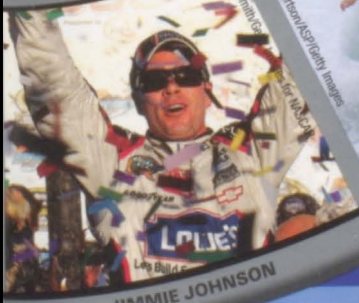
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TOP GAMES/EVENTS OF THE DECADE

- 2008 Wimbledon final: Rafael Nadal vs. Roger Federer
- Super Bowl XLIII: Steelers 27, Cardinals 23
- World Series 2001, Game 7: Diamondbacks 3, Yankees 2
- 2007 Fiesta Bowl: Boise State 43, Oklahoma 42
- 2006 Rose Bowl: Texas 41, USC 38

- 2008 Olympics: 100-meter men's butterfly, Michael Phelps
- 2009 Big East tournament: Syracuse 127, UConn 117 (6 OT)
- Super Bowl XLII: Giants 17, Patriots 14
- 2002 NBA West finals, Game 7: Lakers 112, Kings 106 (OT)
- 2005 UEFA Champions League final: Liverpool beats AC Milan

JIMMIE JOHNSON



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STEPHANIE GILMORE



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MUSIC



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↑ After the release of their fifth studio album, the Black Eyed Peas launch The E.N.D. World Tour, with stops in Australia, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand and Thailand.

↑ Mary Mary's album *Praiseworthy* reaches No. 1 on *Billboard's* Christian & Gospel Album Charts, No. 2 on the Top R&B/Hip-Hop Chart and No. 7 on the *Billboard* Top 200.

➔ *Paramore* takes home the title of Favorite Rock Band at the MTV's People's Choice Awards. Lead singer Hayley Williams kept in touch by Tweeting with fans throughout the awards program.

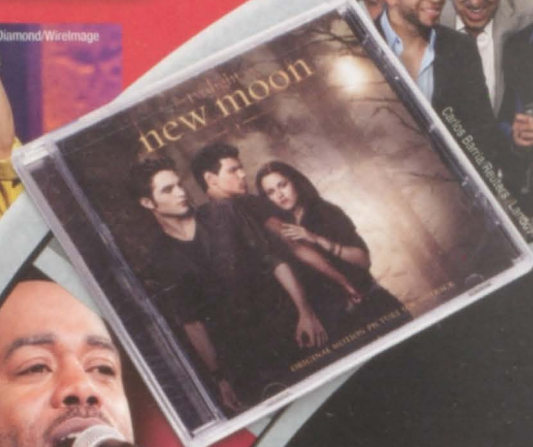


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↓ Taylor Swift has an amazing year with four CMA Awards and the Grammy for Best Album of the Year.



Lisa Everett/Corbis



AVENTURA

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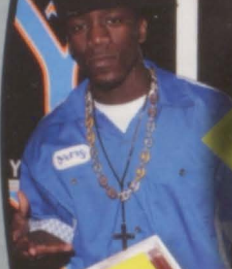


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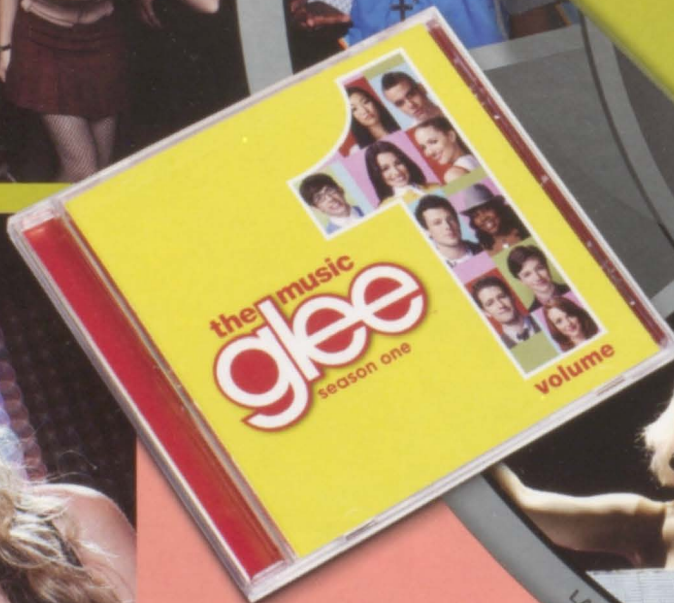
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MOVE



↑ *Glee* geeks go wild! Volume 1 of the *Glee* soundtrack features 17 songs from the hit Fox show about a struggling high school glee club.



LADY GAGA

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JASON DERULO

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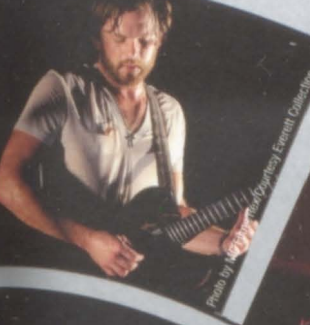


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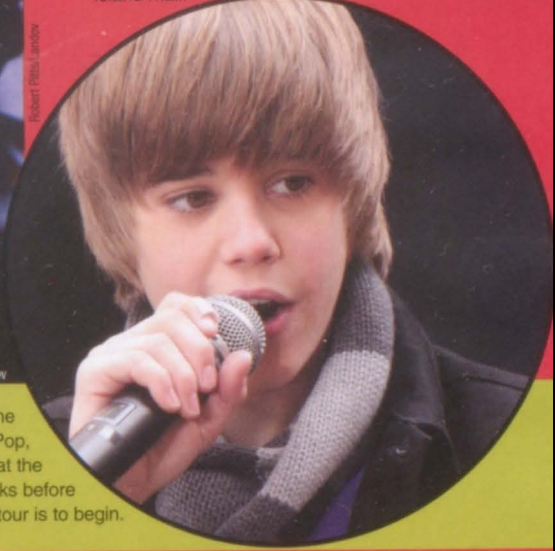
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Justin Bieber parlayed YouTube fame into a record deal. A crowd of more than 3,000 screaming fans forces him to cancel an appearance at a Long Island mall.

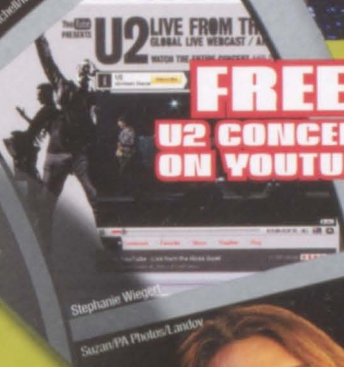


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FREE
U2 CONCERT ON YOUTUBE



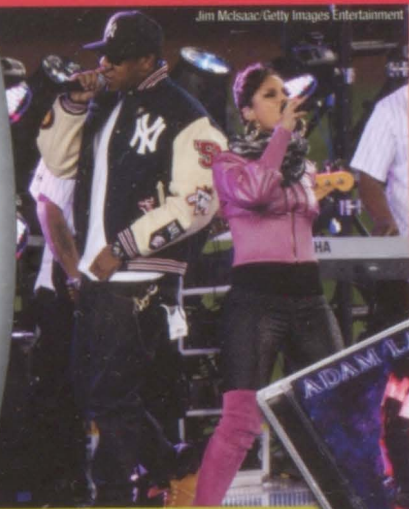
Michael Jackson, the legendary King of Pop, dies unexpectedly at the age of 50, just weeks before his *This Is It* world tour is to begin.



Stephanie Wierzel
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GROOVE

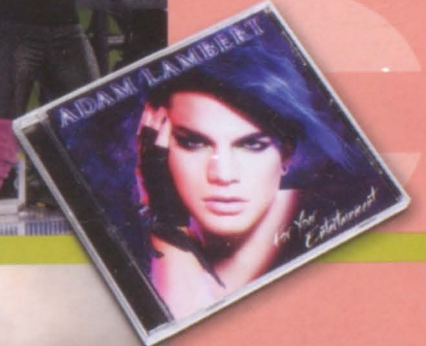
MILEY CYRUS



Jim McIsaac/Getty Images Entertainment



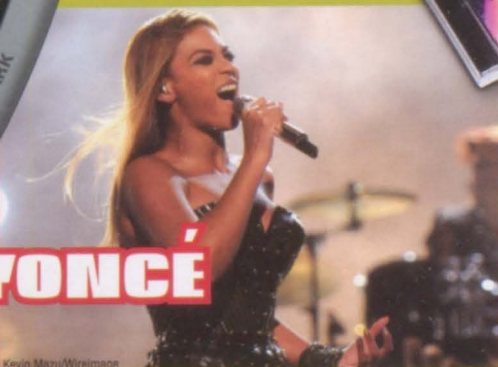
Alicia Keys guest stars on Jay-Z's album, *The Blueprint 3*. Their joint effort, "Empire State of Mind," is one of the most successful songs of the year.



LINKIN PARK

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BEYONCÉ



Kevin Mazu/WireImage



Beyoncé broke the record for a female artist at the Grammys with six awards, including Song of the Year and Best Female Pop Vocal Performance.



GREEN DAY

Robbie Rose/Photo Disc

LADY ANTEBELLUM

TOP 10 TOP-SELLING ALBUMS OF 2009

1. *Fearless*, Taylor Swift
2. *I Dreamed a Dream*, Susan Boyle
3. *Number Ones*, Michael Jackson
4. *The Fame*, Lady GaGa
5. *My Christmas*, Andrea Bocelli
6. *Hannah Montana: The Movie Soundtrack*, Hannah Montana
7. *The E.N.D.*, Black Eyed Peas
8. *Relapse*, Eminem
9. *The Blueprint 3*, Jay-Z
10. *Only By the Night*, Kings of Leon

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ENTERTAINMENT

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VAMPIRE DIARIES



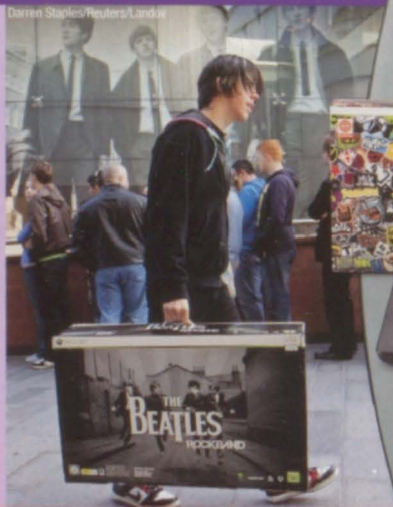
↑ Tina Fey's acclaimed NBC comedy *30 Rock* receives a record 22 primetime Emmy Award nominations and wins five, including Best Comedy Series and Best Actor in a Comedy Series (Alec Baldwin).

↑ Reality TV shows like CBS's *Survivor* and *The Amazing Race* continue to draw in viewers of all ages.

THE BIG BANG THEORY



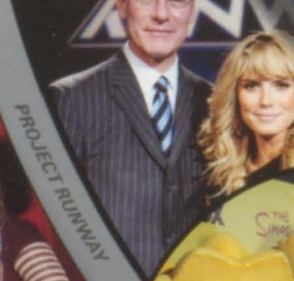
➔ A new generation discovers the Fab Four. The Beatles: Rock Band is a smash hit among teens, parents and even grandparents!



↓ New Fox hit TV show *Glee* takes home the Golden Globe for Best Musical or Comedy Television Series over such veteran shows as *The Office*, *30 Rock* and *Entourage*.

NAMES

PROJECT RUNWAY



THE SIMPSONS

TOP CHEF



◀ Sesame Street, the legendary PBS children's show, celebrates 40 years of ABCs and 123s with the likes of Cookie Monster, Oscar the Grouch and Big Bird.



**1969
2009**

◀ SpongeBob SquarePants celebrates 10 years on the air with the debut of *Truth or Square*, a Nickelodeon TV movie featuring celebrity guests and several shocking twists.



**1999
2009**

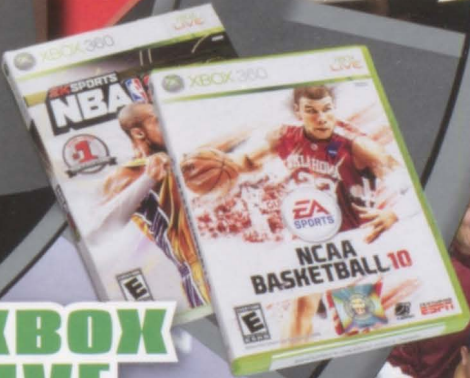
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Paul Drinkwater/©NBC/courtesy Everett Collection

◀ After just seven months, Conan O'Brien receives \$45 million to surrender his position as host of *The Tonight Show* after NBC decides to return Jay Leno to his previous time slot.

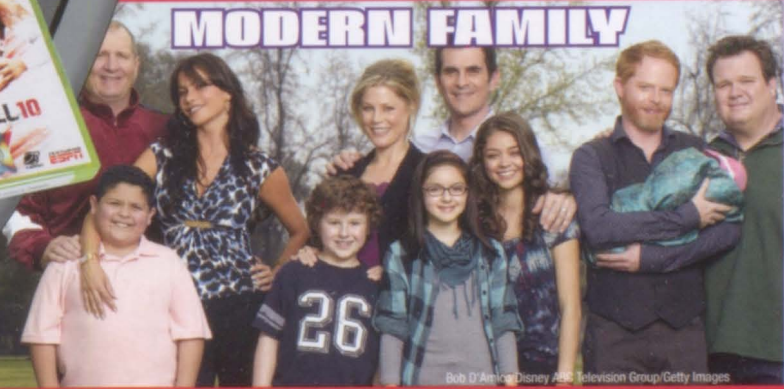


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GAMES



**XBOX
LIVE**



MODERN FAMILY

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TOP 10 TOP-SELLING VIDEO GAMES OF 2009

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Wii Fit | 6. Killzone 2 |
| 2. Wii Play | 7. Call of Duty: World at War |
| 3. Pokémon Platinum Version | 8. Resident Evil 5 (PS3) |
| 4. Mario Kart Wii | 9. Halo Wars |
| 5. Resident Evil 5 (Xbox 360) | 10. Street Fighter IV |

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THE HILLS

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3-D TV



THE SHERIFF SHEPARD SHOW

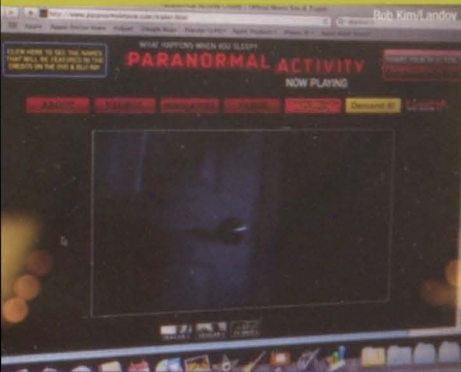
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AMERICA'S GOT TALENT

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MOVIES



↑ After two weeks of limited sold-out shows, 1 million moviegoers submit online requests that cause the nationwide release of *Paranormal Activity*.

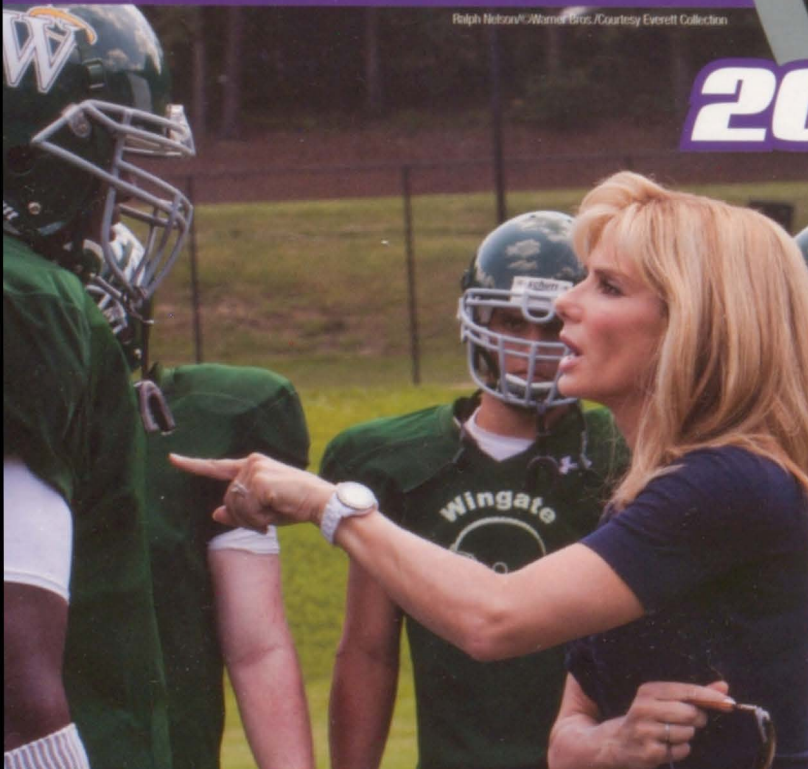
↑ *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince* raked in the biggest midnight earnings of all time, grossing \$22.2 million at the box office.



Ralph Nibrucci/Warner Bros./Courtesy Everett Collection



2012



Ⓢ Sandra Bullock wins the Golden Globe for Best Actress in a Motion Picture—Drama for her performance in *The Blind Side*, based on the true story of Baltimore Ravens football player Michael Oher.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

STAR TREK

PRECIOUS

INVICTUS

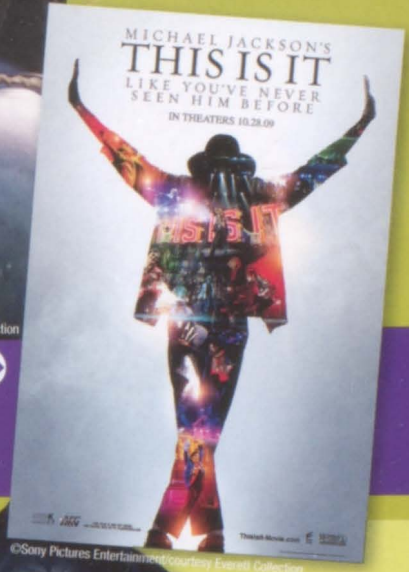
CLASH OF THE TITANS

& CRY



UP

In just 41 days, James Cameron's *Avatar* overtakes *Titanic* to become the highest-grossing movie ever worldwide at \$1.859 billion.



This Is It, a film about the late Michael Jackson's tour rehearsals, becomes the world's highest-grossing concert movie and documentary.



TEAM JACOB
TEAM EDWARD

Are you "Team Jacob" or "Team Edward"? "Twiards" around the world swoon over the supernatural love triangle in *The Twilight Saga: New Moon*.

THEN & NOW

TOP 10 BOX OFFICE HIT MOVIES

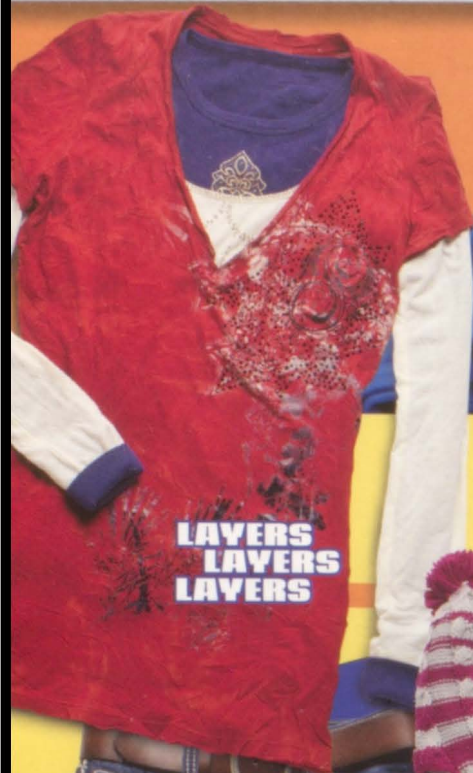
2000

1. *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*
2. *Cast Away*
3. *Mission: Impossible II*
4. *Gladiator*
5. *What Women Want*
6. *The Perfect Storm*
7. *Meet the Parents*
8. *X-Men*
9. *Scary Movie*
10. *What Lies Beneath*

2009

1. *Avatar*
2. *Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen*
3. *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince*
4. *The Twilight Saga: New Moon*
5. *Up*
6. *The Hangover*
7. *Star Trek*
8. *The Blind Side*
9. *Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel*
10. *Monsters Vs. Aliens*

TRENDS



**LAYERS
LAYERS
LAYERS**



↑ Snuggie, the blanket with sleeves, is a runaway hit. The company introduces versions for kids and pets and features designer styles in a fashion show.



**RAIN
BOOTS**

NORTH FACE JACKET

MUK LUKS



OVERSIZED RINGS



GIRLS

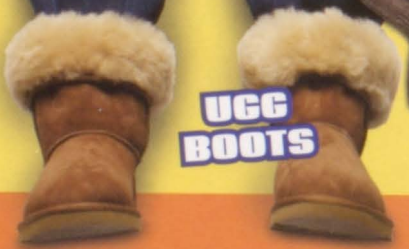
CARDIGANS



METALLIC NAIL POLISH



SCARVES



**UGG
BOOTS**



FUZE
slenderize
Strawberry Melon

FUZE
refresh
Strawberry Guava

Graphic tees, worn alone or paired with zip-front hoodies, are a comfortable way to make a style statement, promote your favorite band and express your individuality.

BOAT SHOES



CARGO SHORTS



BASKETBALL SHOES



EARFLAP HATS



GUYS

GIRLS & BOYS PLAID SHIRTS



BASKETBALL SHORTS



WORK BOOTS

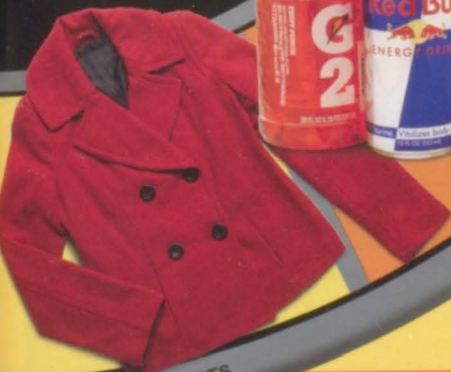


AVIATOR SUNGLASSES



ENERGY DRINKS

PEA COATS



TOP 10

FASHION TRENDS

1. Skinny jeans
2. Big '80s shoulders
3. Over-the-knee boots
4. Graphic tees
5. Hoodies
6. Animal prints
7. Rachel Roy bags
8. Ripped jeans
9. '90s grunge
10. Flared jeans

LIFESTYLE



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↑ Quinceañeras, the Latin American culture's coming-of-age celebration on a girl's 15th birthday, are becoming larger and more elaborate like Sweet 16 parties.



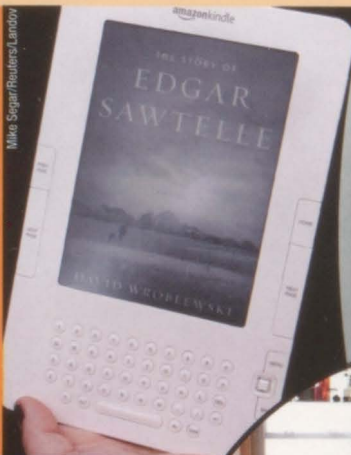
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SOCIAL NETWORKS

↑ More than half (55 percent) of Americans ages 12-17 use social networking websites.

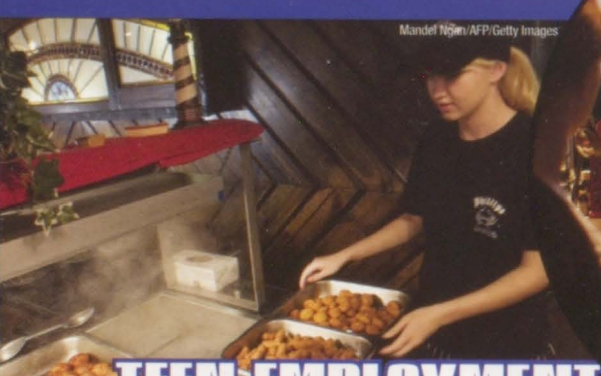
➔ Now you can carry a whole library in a device the size of a hardcover. Consumers crave readers like Amazon's Kindle and the Sony Reader.

Mike Sagar/Reuters/Landov



➔ In January 2010, teen employment rates hit a record low of 26.2 percent due to a lack of entry-level jobs available at the minimum wage.

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TEEN EMPLOYMENT



William Deshazer/MCT/Landov

↑ Pass the potatoes, please. Busy families are cutting back on expensive take-out meals and making time to sit down together for healthier, home-cooked family dinners.

HOT



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HAND SANITIZER

CELL PHONES

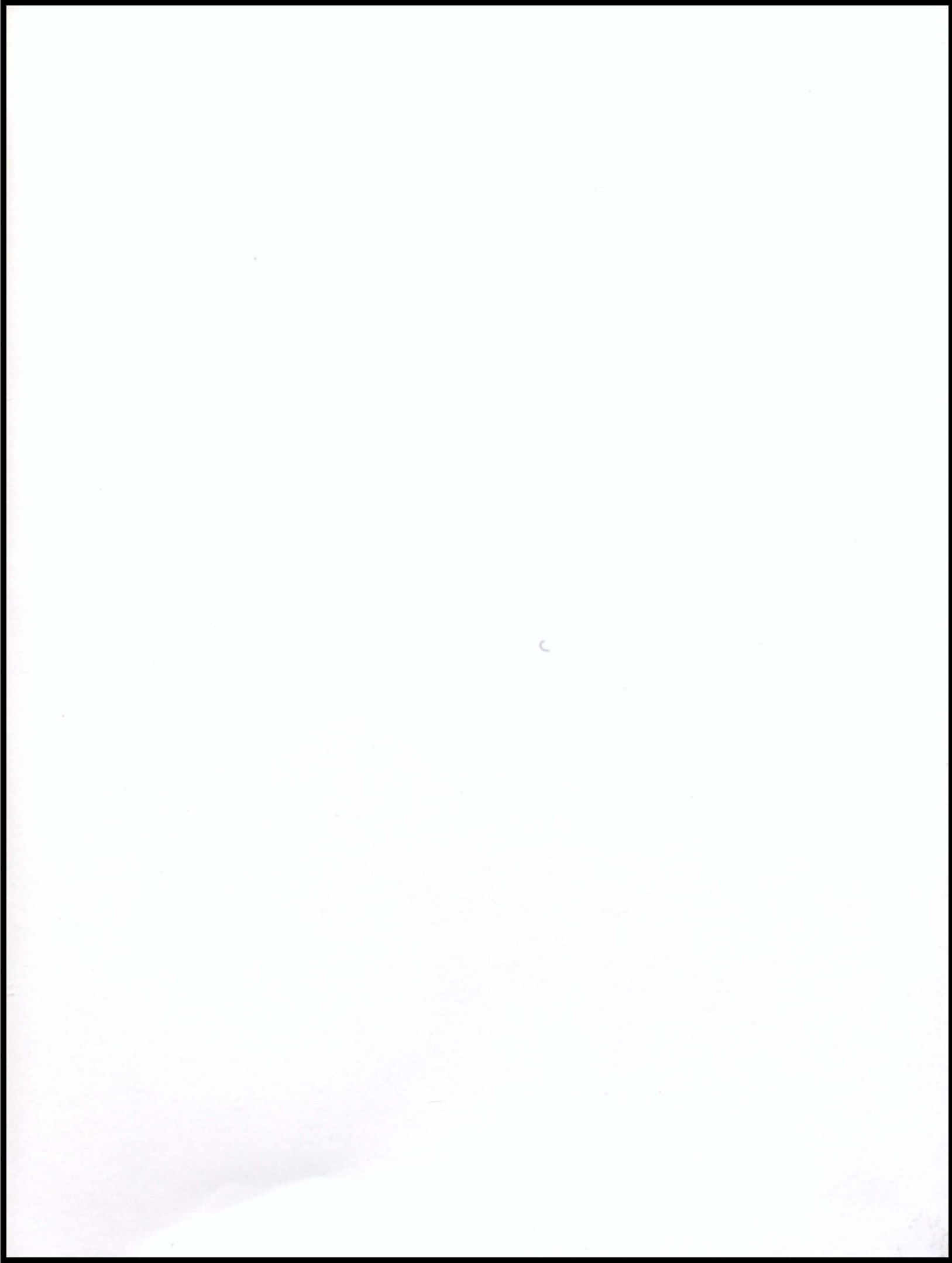


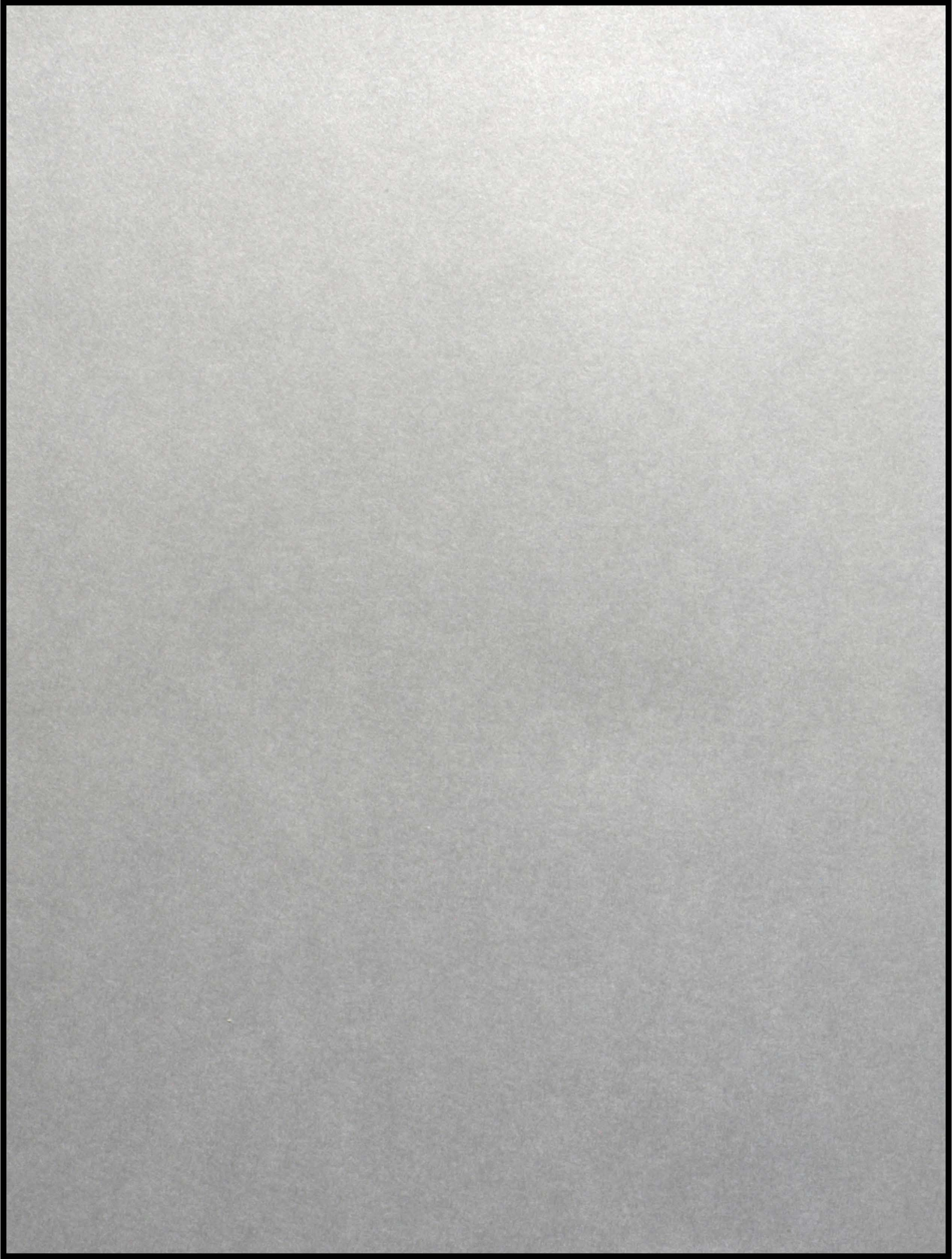
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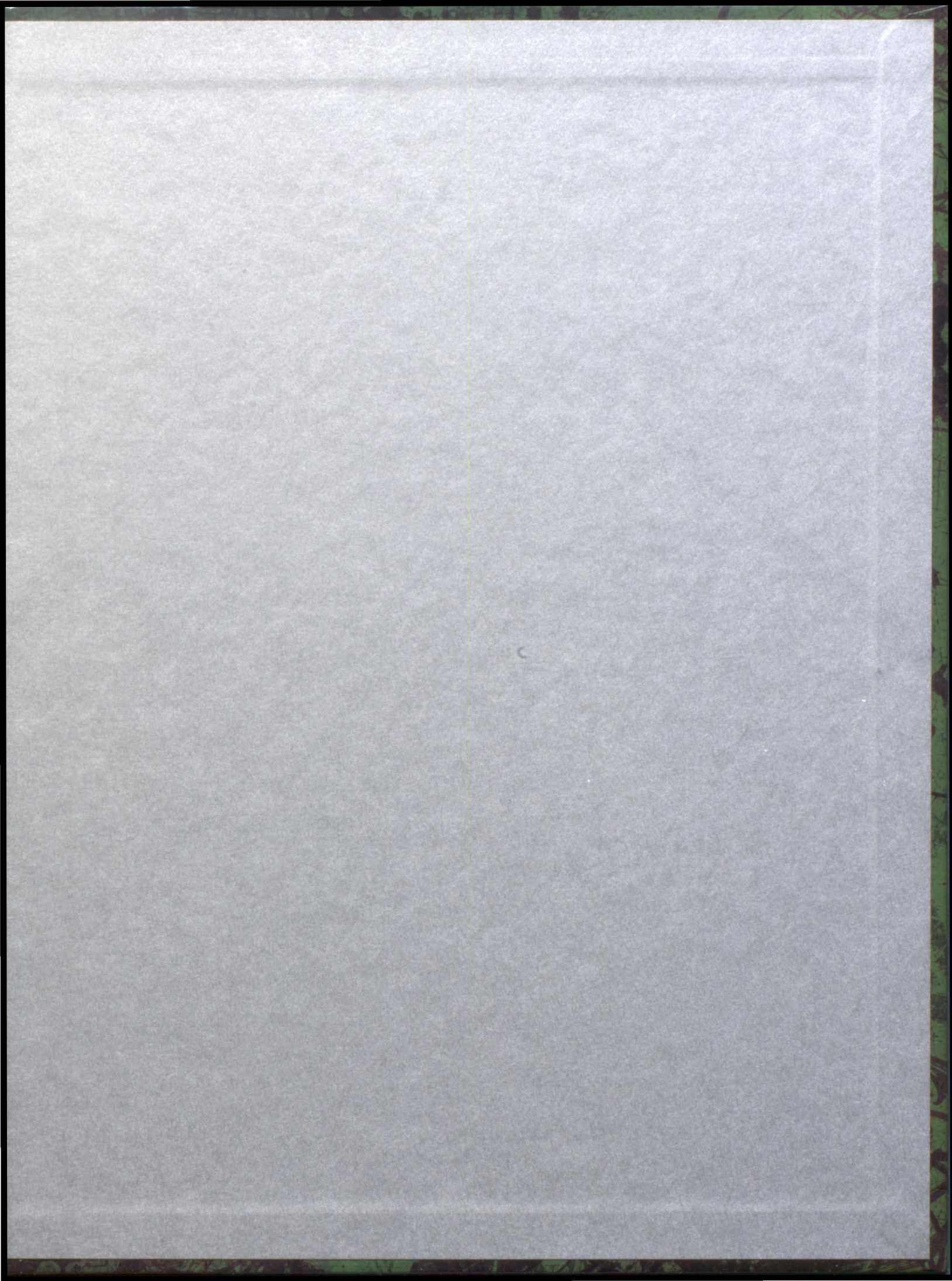


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