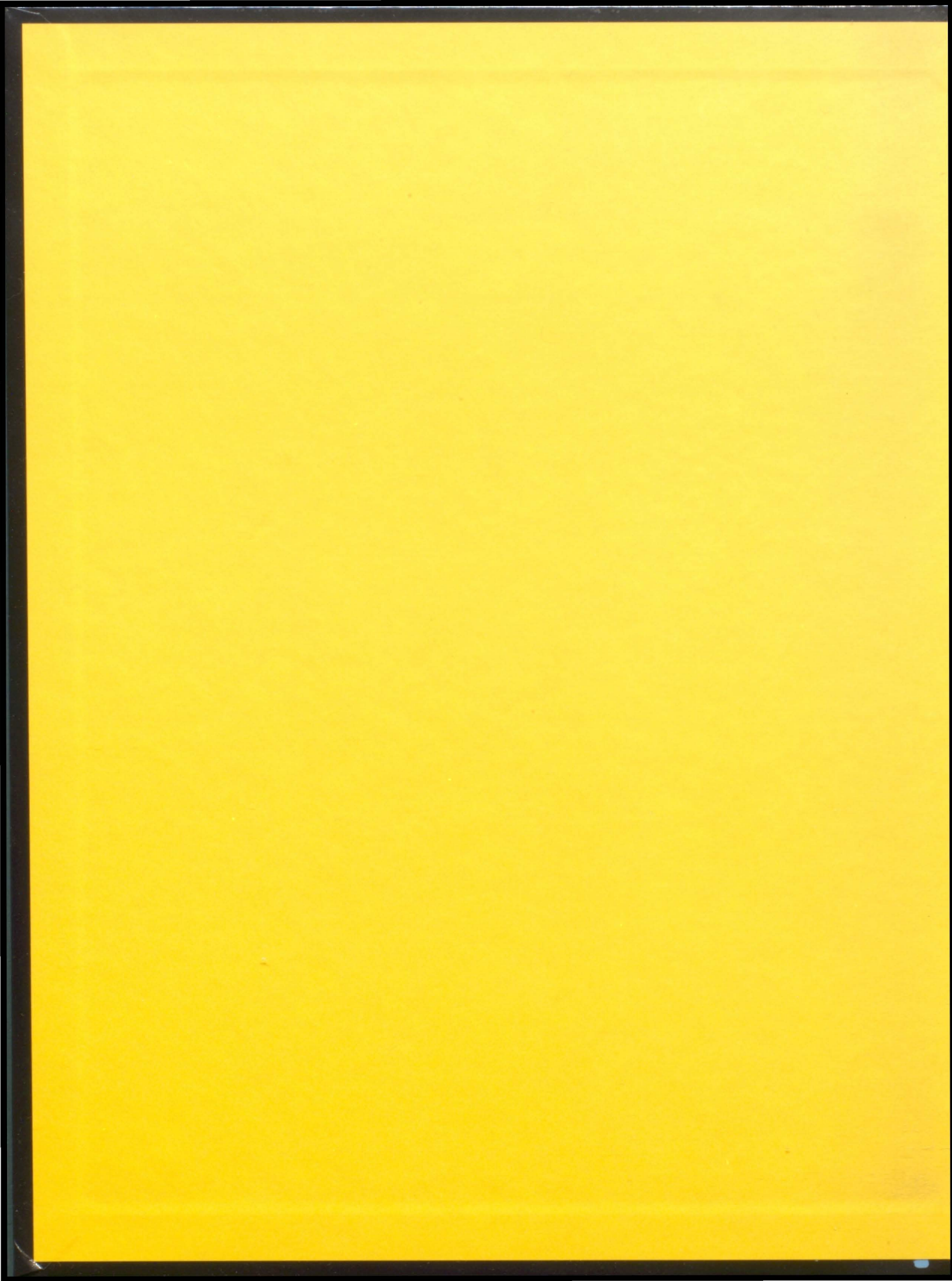
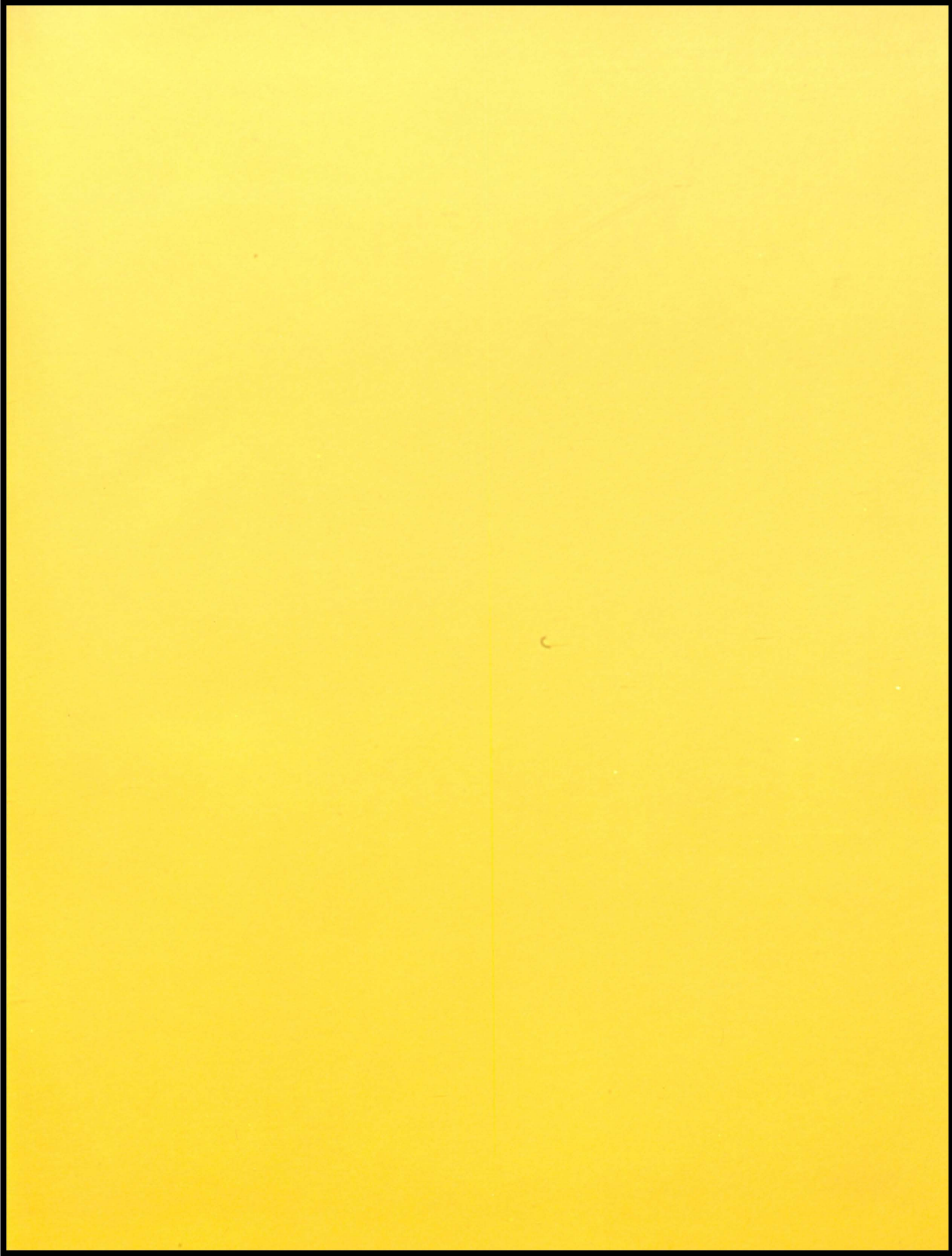


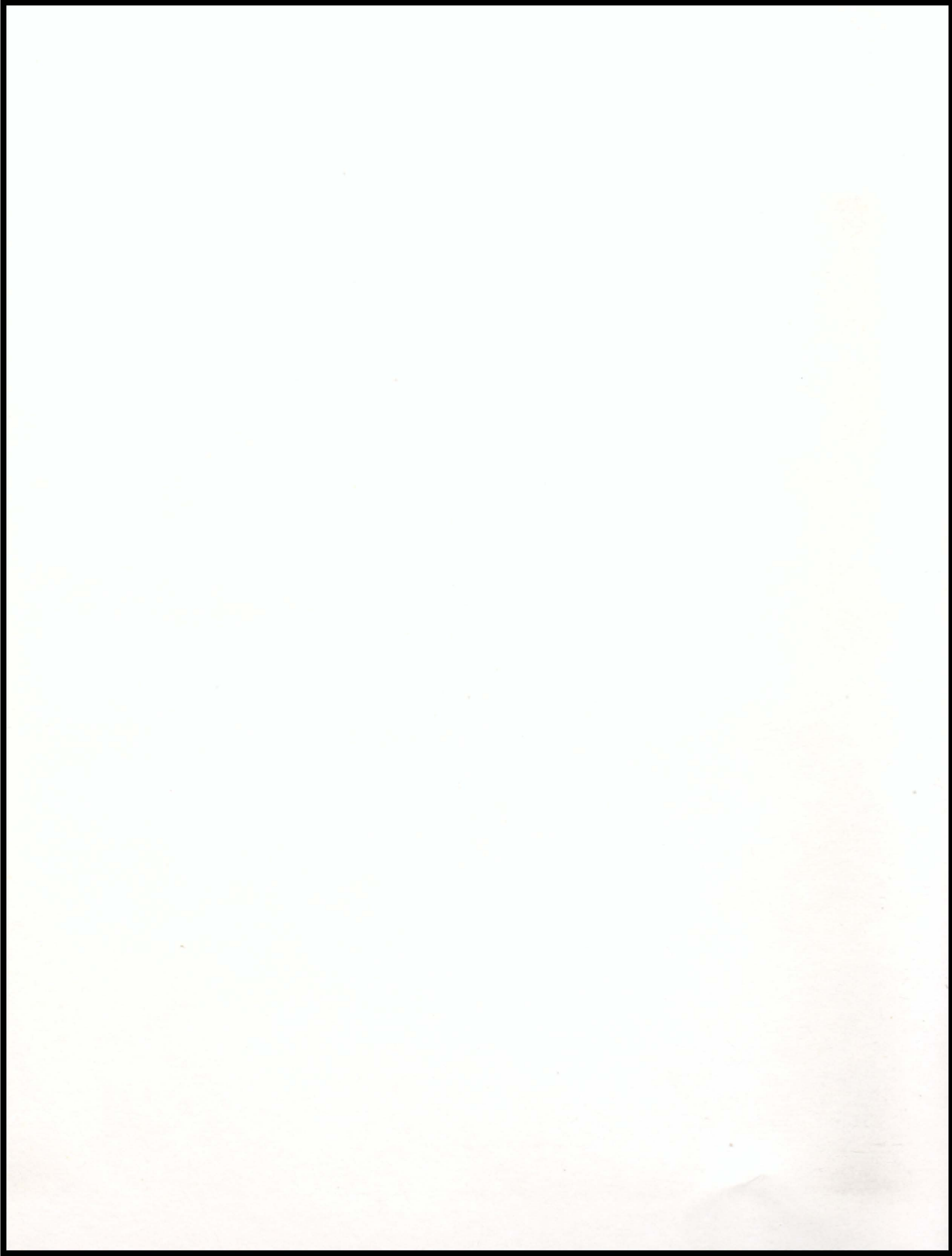
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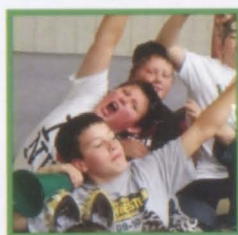
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K-12 Enrollment: 260



Members of the junior high celebrate exuberantly during the District 2B volleyball championship on Nov. 5, 2010, at the Strode Center in Aberdeen, South Dakota. Northwestern fell to Warner 1-3 to end their volleyball season 25-6.

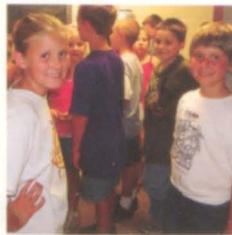
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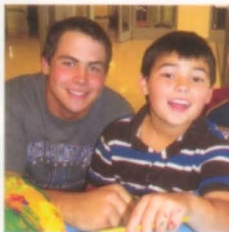


Fifth-grader Jaidyn Kramp has her face painted during the Volley for a Cure event.

1. Junior Hunter Wood and second-grader Joe Groft smile during the FBLA's annual pumpkin painting event.

2. Juniors Laine Mielke and Alex Boekelheide analyze their chemistry assignment.

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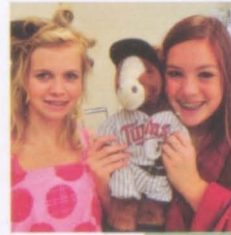


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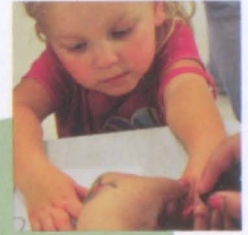
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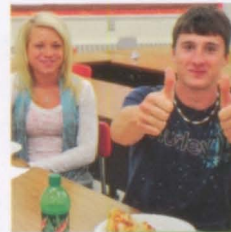


"Willy" the Wildcat



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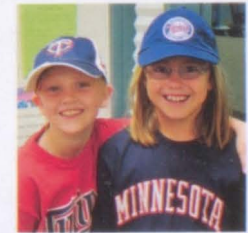


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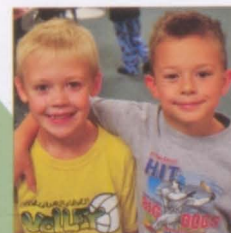
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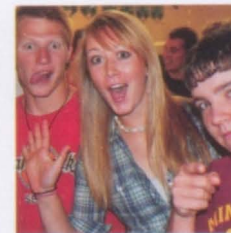


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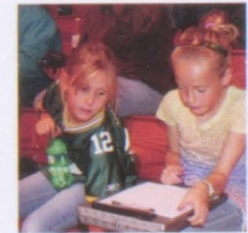
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Mariah Taylor



Mr. Doug Duncan

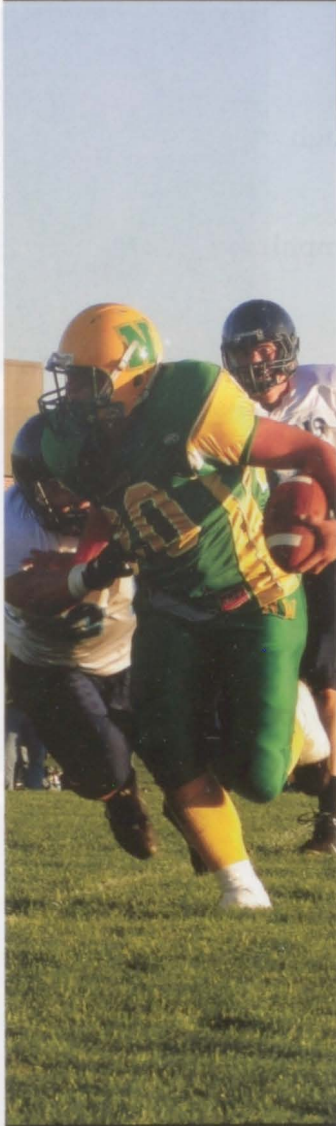


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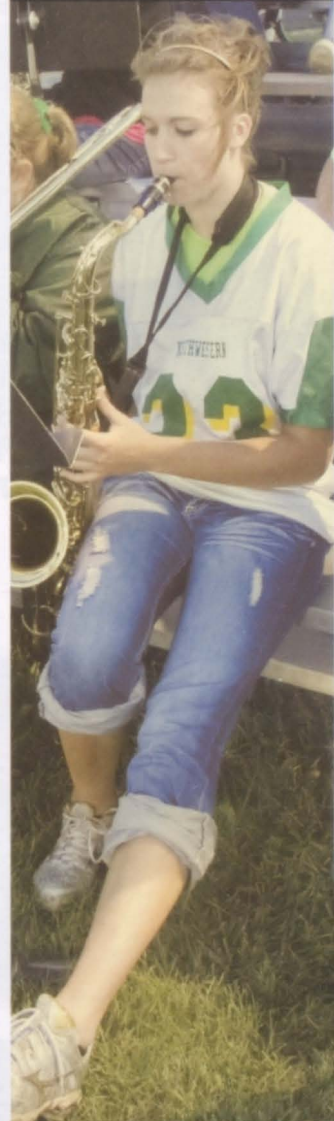
Ethan Steward



Alex Bauer



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Ashley Clemens

SENIORS

"Compiling the top quotes from the journalism class, though they are mostly politically incorrect and embarrassing but pee-your-pants funny," senior Kara

Fischbach said.



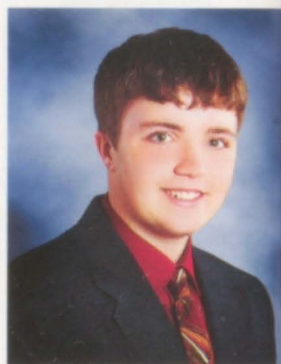
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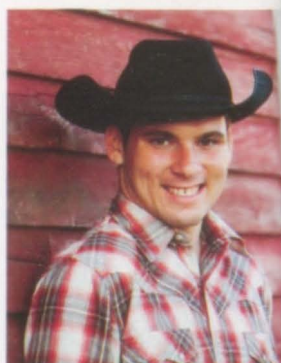
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Joshua Clemens
Jalen Diede
Justin Dirksen
Amanda Finley



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Chelsea Fischbach
Kara Fischbach
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Hilary Frericks
Michael Hinners
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Michael Smith
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Ashly Wise



Class of 2011

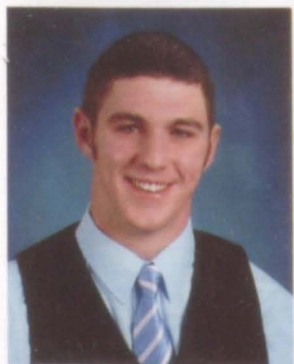
What is your funniest memory from school?



"My funniest memory is of Jeramiah when we were in elementary. During recess, he had to go to the bathroom so instead of asking to go inside, he found a corner and peed on the school. This is funny because he got caught," senior Amanda Finley said.



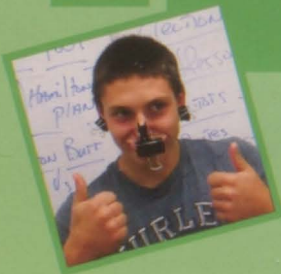
"Borrowing the couch out of the coaches room and putting it in the senior lounge," senior Alex Bauer said.



Where do you see yourself in 20 years?



"Sitting at home with my brood of small children and my petting zoo—complete with a penguin named Ping!" junior Laine Mielke said.



"In Cresbard with a fully grown beard with a huge family on a farm," junior Trevor Joennies said.

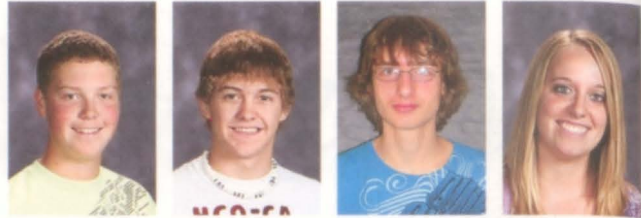
Juniors Class of 2012



People



Alex Boekelheide
Logan Brown
Jared Fischer
Katrina Frericks



Laken Frericks
Ulboldsyn Kuanova
Casey Kulm
Jennifer Lefforge
Annie Lutter
Laine Mielke



Gabrielle Morgan
Shelby Peterson
Ruth Phillips
Tyler Roe
Nona Roeber
Madison Smith



Kathleen Stuck
Mariah Taylor
Trevor Joennies
Jussy Tuscherer
Haley Wetzler
Hunter Wood



Mix-n-Match

Match each junior with her poof.



A.



B.



C.



Answers:

A- Mariah Taylor, B- Laine Mielke, C- Haley Wetzler

If you were in a food fight, what food would be your weapon of choice?



"The school's mashed potatoes because they are sticky and ready to mash!" sophomore Calli Peterson said.



"Spork because it can do dangerous work like a fork but is gentle like a spoon," sophomore Stanton Roach said.

Ashley Clemens
Shay Clemensen
Evan Finley
Landon Fischbach

Sarah Franco
Silas Franco
Alisa Grabau
Jake Groft
Alexander Hawley
Nathan Hawley

Kelsey Hoellein
Courtlen Lechner
Ray Lerew
Kimberly Miles
Calli Peterson
Stanton Roach

Trevor Rush
Ryan Shepherd
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Melissa Thompson
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Warren Walter

Mix-n-Match

Match each sophomore with his or her cell phone.



A.



B.



C.

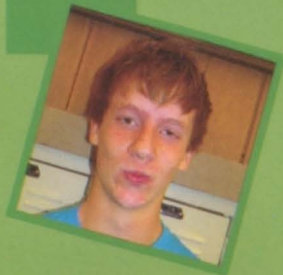
Answers:
A- Kaitlyn Sparling, B- Ray Lerew, C- Alisa Grabau



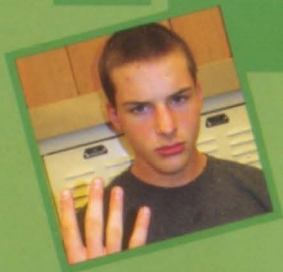
Sophomores Class of 2013



What was the worst part of Buddy Day?



"Wearing Hilary's red lipstick. I'm pretty sure I ate over half of it that day," freshman Nathan Frericks said.

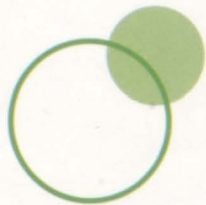


"Trying to pull off my fake nails. It hurt," freshman Nick Wood said.

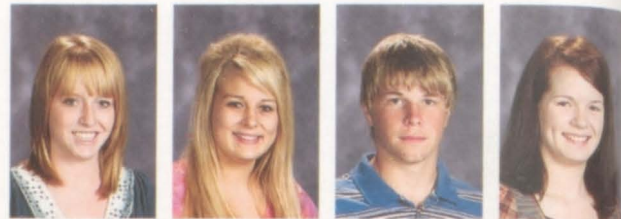
Freshmen Class of 2014



People



Kristi Bade
Torey Beardenphl
Tyler Carda
Jeanna Duncan



Matthew Fischbach
Kalen Frericks
Nathan Frericks
Madison Hahler
Donna Harmon



Jacob Heidenreich
Luther Johnson
Delbert Leonhardt
Jesse Lutter
Paige Metzinger



Nathan Palmer
Bryce Roe
Skylar Sorenson
Alyssa Steward
Nicholas Wood



Mix-n-Match

Match each freshman with her braces.



Answers:

A- Kalen Frericks, B- Madison Hahler, C- Alyssa Steward

Eighth Grade Class of 2015



Jordan Ashalintubbi
Zachary Duncan
Haley Grandpre
Hans Leonhardt
Christine Morgan



Andrew Myers
Katie Myers
Hannah Palmer
Jordon Peterson
Tessa Rush
Halle Sieve



Corbin Smith
Kennedi Sparling
Carolina Spielman
Blake Toennies
Doris Wise
Colton Zens

Top 5
responses to "What
is onomatopoeia?"

1. A sickness

2. I don't

remember

3. A fruit

4. A person

5. Something

used in literature.

*Onomatopoeia: the formation of words whose
sound is imitative of the sound of the noise
or action designated, such as hiss, bang,
buzz*

Seventh Grade Class of 2016



Ethan Bauer
Trey Bierman
Rachael Boekelheide
Cameron Bohl
Trevor Bohl
Kendra Bohlen
Kirstin Borge



Hope Bowar
Allison Braun
Kate Finley
Abigail Fischbach
Darien Frericks
Brayden Granzler
Isaac Groft



Wyatt Hahler
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Elizabeth Heidenriech
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Dylan Miles
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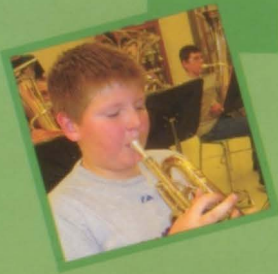


Mark Phillips
Andrea Rausch
Rachel Rausch
Logan Schentzel
Codi Sparling
Madison Styles
Cory Walter
Destinee Zens

Which school lunch is the best?



"Popcorn chicken," sixth-grader Josie Clemens said.



"Breakfast pizza," sixth-grader Matt Metzinger said.



"Italian dunkers," sixth-grader Derek Boekleheide said.

Class of 2017 Sixth Grade

Derek Boekleheide
Josephyne Clemens
Darby Duncan



Alexandria Johnson
Kyler Johnson
Andrew Lefforge
Matthew Metzinger



Klaryssa Schnoor
Jerod Shepherd
Chelsea Sorenson
Austen Wiman



Class of 2017 Fifth Grade

Isaac Bauer
Tucker Bohl
Tyler Braun
Mackenzie Engels
Wyatt Erickson



Jedd Groft
Peyton Groft
Megan Heidenreich
Jaidyn Kramp
Kane Little



Joseph Lutter
Austin Peterson
Evy Peterson
Sadie Vander Wal
Darien Watson
Blaine Wright



Fourth Grade Class of 2019



Brandon Ashalintubbi
Gavin Bohl
Moira Duncan
Caitlyn Fischbach



Riley Grandpre
Jarret Haven
Tritten Heber
Katelynn Little
Halee Paulsen



Caleb Schentzel
Sean Shepherd
Talin Sorenson
Zach Toennies
Seth Wood

If you could make one rule for third grade, what would it be?



"Make part of the school be a rodeo because I love to ride horses," third-grader Madalyn Groft said.

Third Grade Class of 2020



Hailey Boekelheide
Torrence Bourelle
Zechariah Clemens
Ezekiel Duncan
Tristan Dvorak
Cassidy Frericks



Madalyn Groft
Hunter Jeschke
Kaitlyn Lefforge
Noah Morgan
Eric Nelson
Kira Pelton



"Make the school be a glob of Jell-O so you could bounce



Dalton Peterson
Dylan Rush
Danille Seymour
Talley Sparling
Kyle Stahl
Christine Stoltenberg
Nicholas Thiel

everywhere,"
third-grader
Kaitlyn
Lefforge said.

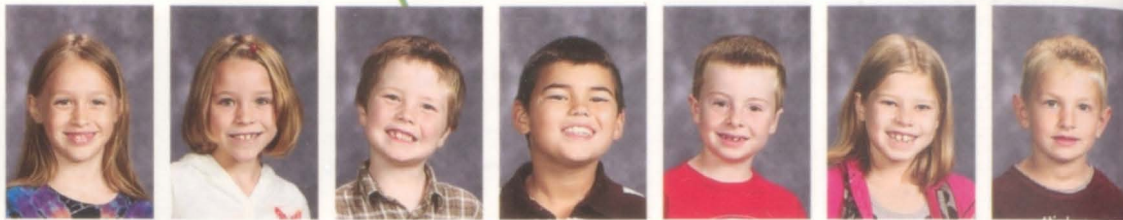


Miranda Thorson
Tomlyn Toy
Danielle Watson
Tya Weideman
Lauren Wiedebush
Jerrin Wiman
Carson Wright

Third Grade

Class of 2021 Second Grade

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



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



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



Class of 2021 First Grade

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



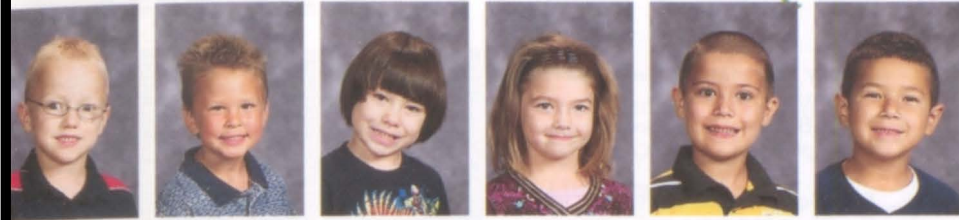
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Landen Melius
Megan Nash
Reagan Nelson
Logan Rausch
Teryn Sparling



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



Kindergarten Class of 2023



Ethan Boekelheide
Trey Bourelle
Micah Burnett
Gabrielle Engels
Tanner Ewalt
Fatafehi Fa'onelua



Quintin Fischbach
Brooklinn Halvorson
Maren Hansen
Ella Haven
Olivia Heidenreich
Brooke Heim



Kenda Hoff
Steven Hogg
Hunter Johnson
Jayden Mielke
Kelly Miles
Jude Ortmeier
Emmylea Robeson

Preschool Class of 2024



Jevon Berry
Landon Braun
Kaia Burnett
Jessica Christ



Courtney Decker
Dylan Hahler
Karsyn Jangula
Jacob Leinen
Elijah Lich



Nathan Melius
Gregory Nelson
Johnathan Thelen
Henry Williams
RikkaLyn Wiman-Gisi

Kelly Miles



Brooklinn Halvorson



Faculty

What is your summer job?

"I have a 15-page 'To Do' list during the summer. I get to relax in July though!"

Mrs. Jessica Halvorson said.



- Mary Bullock:** Paraprofessional
- Christy Cardella:** Middle School Language Arts, Oral Interp Coach
- Bill Clemens:** Custodian, Asst. 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:** Paraprofessional
- Lisa Franck:** Board Member
- Orrin Freeman:** Bus Driver
- Anne Frericks:** Business, FBLA adviser, Screen Printing
- Lisa Frericks:** Business Manager
- Troy Grandpre:** Board Member
- John Groft:** Bus Driver
- Nora Groft:** High School English, Head Volleyball Coach, Middle School Track Coach
- Jessica Halvorson:** Administrative Assistant
- Tamara Haven:** Middle School Science, Special Education Services
- Roylene Heidenreich:** Fourth Grade
- Rose Hoellein:** Kitchen Staff

Who was your favorite teacher and why?



"Mr. Larson, my high school English teacher, assigned challenging work and imposed impossibly high standards—and I loved every minute of it!" Mrs. Nora Groft said.

"Mrs. Bacon. She taught high school English and had us read the classics. I'm so grateful that she exposed us to this kind of literature," Mrs. Christy Cardella said.



Marilyn Battey: Third Grade
Lea Bender: Speech Therapy



Sandy Bierman: Elementary Librarian, Elementary Computers
Scott Boone: History, Social Studies, Geography, Asst. Football Coach, Track & Field Coach
Eric Borge: Elementary Physical Education, Head Football Coach



Karla Borge: Title I
Shelley Borge: Bus Driver
Bob Braasch: Bus Driver
Pat Braasch: Kitchen Staff



What is your summer job?

"I'm a farm hand, cook, and mom to four boys. We custom combine, and I never know what I will have to do. There is always the occasional cow that needs herding and four boys are always out and need to be rounded up," Mrs. Tamra Haven said.



Dennis Jeschke: Custodian
Jeannine Jilek: DDN Adviser

Doreen Leinen: Reading and Math Specialist
Bobbie Lerew: Board Member
Judy Lindhorst: Preschool

Stephanie Lunstrum: 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
Christopher 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

Robin Paulsen: Early Childhood
Lyndsay Rasmussen: Co-op
Jackie Remily: Special Education
Wade Rozell: Fifth Grade, Track & Field Coach
Dina Rush: First-Grade Aide
Jerry Sauer: Industrial Tech
Ray Sauerwein: Superintendent, Athletic Director

Jennifer Schell: K-12 Art, Asst. Girls' Basketball Coach
Doug Stahl: Bus Driver
Laura Steward: Paraprofessional
Nancy Taylor: First Grade
Wendy Thorson: K-8 Music
Brett Toennies: Board Member
Camille Tuscherer: Bus Driver
Rita Walter: Kitchen Staff

"Jean Bacon, she taught English, one-act play and helped with oral interp. I loved English and those types of activities," Mrs. Sandy Bierman said.

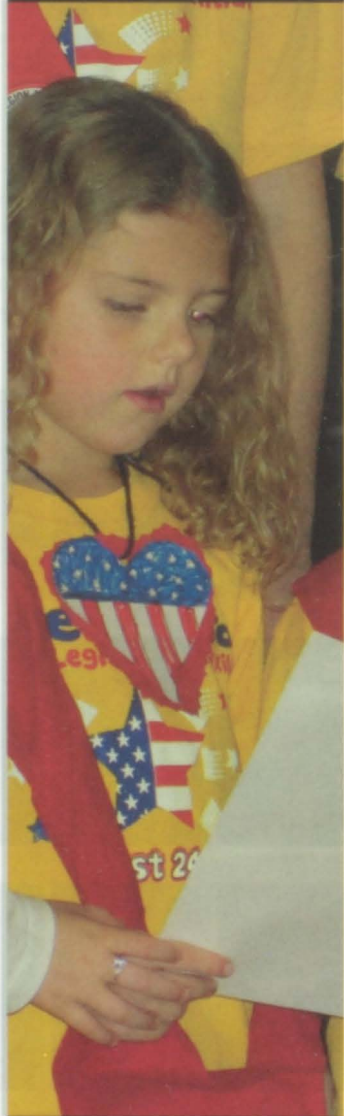
"Mr. Eisenbeisz. His stories were amazing! And I eventually got his job!" Mrs. Anne Frericks said.



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Alexander Hawley



Brooklinn Halvorson

Joni Bockelheide



Blaine Wright



Jeremiah Serfling



Joshua Clemens

Ashley Clemens



know

your {options}



Sadie Vander Wal
Kiarra Stuck
Hailie Stuck



Shay Clemensen



Kathy Stuck

Out of school activities. . . Beyond the realm of school-sponsored activities lies the many endeavors Northwestern's students compete in year round. From dance classes to pageants to cattle showing and barrel racing, Northwestern has no deficiency in individuality.

"Thanks to the jolly green giant, our coach Austin Fischbach, it was a very intense season of baseball," junior Alex Boekelheide said.



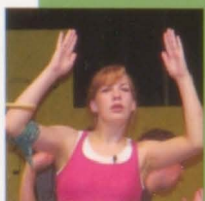
Andrew Lefforge



Christine Morgan
Paige Metzinger
Jeanna Duncan



Kennedi Sparring



Alyssa Morgan

1. Junior Jenny Lefforge competes in the Miss Teen USA competition in Aberdeen, S.D.

2. Seventh-grader Madison Styles displays her cow in a 4-H show.

3. Senior Joni Boekelheide races against the time during the barrel race event.

4. Zachary Duncan shoots at an enemy in the James Valley Paintball Course.

5. Jr. Snow Queen winner freshman Kristie Bade and Sr. Snow Queen winner senior Kara Fischbach pose with their crowns.



Eighth-grader Corbin Smith lines up his golf shot at the Lakeside Country Club in Faulkton, S.D.



Freshman Alyssa Steward easily remains "en pointe" or on the tip of her toes in dance class. Steward takes dance classes at the ARCC in Aberdeen, S.D.

Junior Alex Boekelheide runs home during a summer baseball game in Northville, S.D.



Sophomore Calli Peterson sings during talent portion of the 2011 Snow Queen competition.

{quotations}

What is your out of school activity and why do you do it?

"I do 4-H because you get a chance to do a lot of things you don't get to do in school. You get to meet a lot of people, and I get to have fun with my dog," eighth-grader Christine Morgan said.



"Junior Legion Auxiliary. I am in it because I like supporting veterans and doing the activities we do, like collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House and money for the Honor flight," junior Kathy Stuck said.



"Dance, because I am passionate about it. It is like an art form in my heart. I love dancing. It makes me feel like a butterfly," freshman Alyssa Steward said.



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Kyle Peterson
Jackson Mielke
Seth Heidenreich



Skylar Sorenson
Kalen Frericks

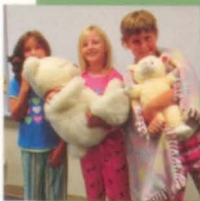


Chelsea Fischbach

Homecoming. . . Northwestern High School's Homecoming theme, The Wonderful World of Wildcats, elicited the Disney in everyone.

"I dressed up as Woody from Toy Story and rode my horse Gem during the parade. It wasn't too different from my normal clothes, which made it twice as awesome," junior Casey Kulm said.

The Wildcat football team fought a fierce game against Wolsey-Wessington on Friday night, but the slipper just didn't fit. The Wildcats lost 6-28



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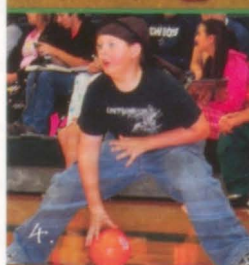
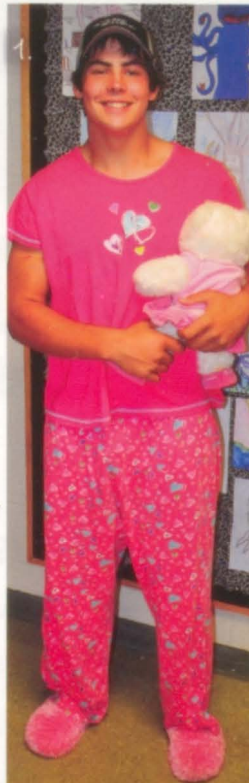
1. Junior Hunter Wood flaunts his mother's pajamas on Pajama Day.

2. Second-graders Hannah Schentzel, Alexis Rahm, Sydney Schell, and Samantha Rush greet the camera with their tongues.

3. Homecoming royalty smile after Coronation.

4. Sixth-grader Matthew Metzinger plays dodgeball tenaciously.

5. Seniors Dalton Franck and Joni Boekelheide laugh at a joke during the questioning aspect of Coronation.



Sixth-grader Darby Duncan participates in the cracker eating contest.



Fifth-grader Evy Peterson shows off her stuffed frog and SpongeBob slippers on Pajama Day.

Senior Logen Lechner relaxes on his blow-up pool toy in the hallway on Finding Nemo day.



Sophomore exchange students Alisa Grabau and Gulsum Useinova get fierce on Lion King Day with their animal print outfits.

{quotations}

Who would make the best school mascot?

"Dalton Franck. He's funny; he's always saying goofy stuff or doing something odd. I think he could get the crowd to cheer," sophomore Kaitlyn Sparling said.



"Nolan Peterson, but he's not tall enough. He's always pumped up and excited. He'd be great," sixth-grader Derek Boekelheide said.



"Ray Lerew. He's awesome. He's not afraid to make a fool of himself every day," junior Logan Brown said.



know your {moxie}

Volleyball. . . After beginning the season 0-1 with a loss to Wagner, the volleyball team resolved to struggle no more. Junior Mariah Taylor knew how to overcome her challenges as the new setter.

"I kinda felt like I didn't know what I was doing when I was setting, like a seventh-grader trying to play against seniors. But by the end of the season, it felt good," junior Mariah Taylor said.

Despite the hard work, the volleyball team ended its season 25-6 in the District 2B championship match.



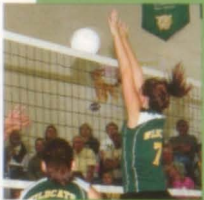
Kelsey Hoellein



Laken Frericks



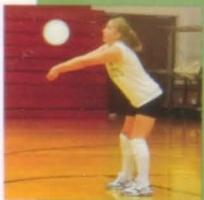
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Paige Metzinger



Kaitlyn Sparling

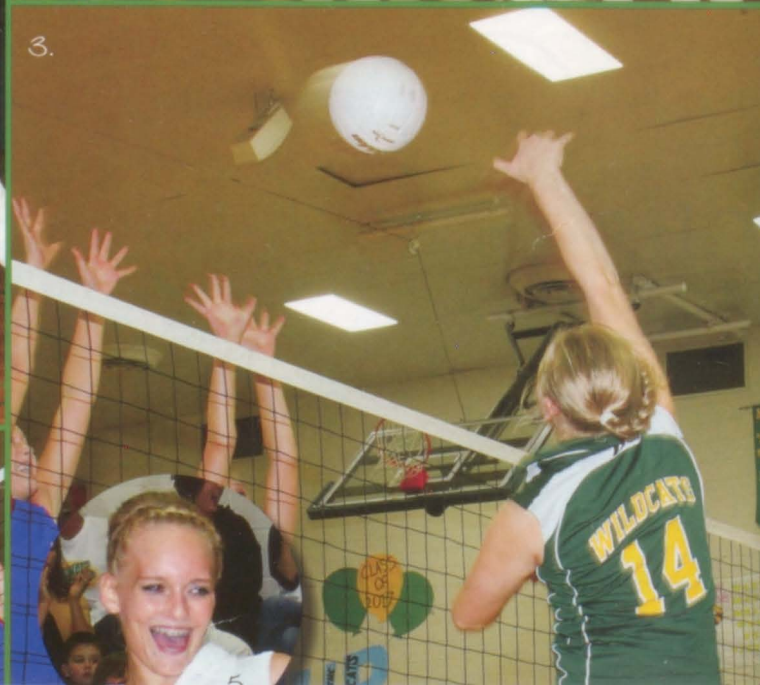


Christine Morgan



Jordon Peterson

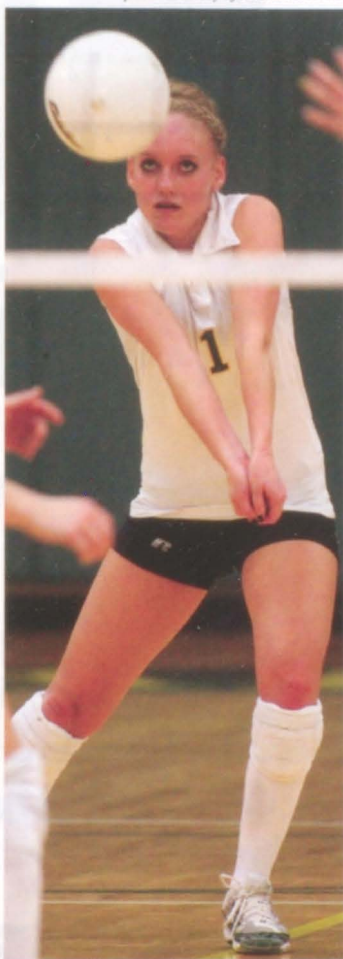
1. Senior Alyssa Morgan readies herself to pass the ball.
2. Junior Jussy Tuscherer stretches to reach a dig.
3. Senior Joni Boekelheide swipes the ball off of the Warner block.
4. Freshman Jeanna Duncan jousts with a Warner player.
5. Junior Haley Wetzler celebrates a great volley.



Senior Kara Fischbach scoops the ball efficiently during a home match.



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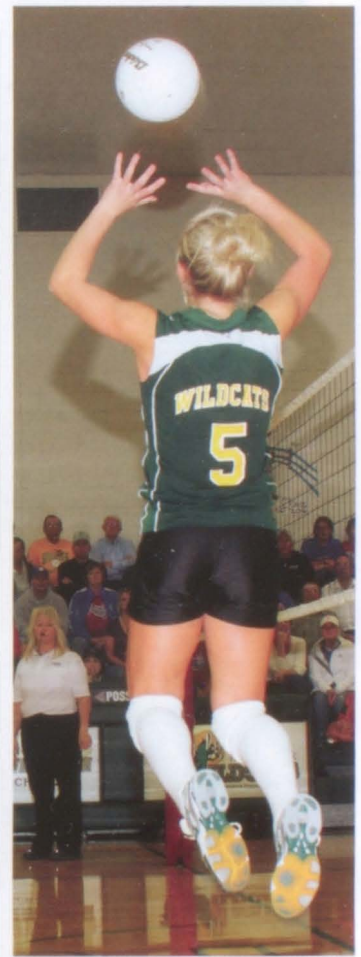


Junior Haley Wetzler focuses on the ball as she passes during the District 2B championship match.

Sophomore Ashley Clemens sneaks a kill past the Warner offense during the District 2B championship match.



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Junior Mariah Taylor displays perfect setting form during a home match.

Scoreboard

- Parkston
- Wagner
- Tripp-Delmont/Armour
- McCook Central/Montrose
- Aberdeen Christian
- Langford
- Milbank
- Elk Point-Jefferson
- Elk Point-Jefferson
- Harrisburg
- Britton-Hecla
- Warner
- Arlington
- Warner
- Iroquois
- Deubrook Area
- Hamlin
- Miller
- Ipswich
- Warner
- Leola/Frederick
- Redfield/Doland
- Webster Area
- Faulkton Area
- Aberdeen Roncalli
- Gettysburg
- Milbank
- Groton Area
- Hitchcock-Tulare
- Hitchcock-Tulare
- Warner

Record: 25-6

- (25-12)(25-15)
- (25-23)(18-25)(23-25)
- (25-13)(25-11)
- (25-16)(25-8)
- (25-4)(25-7)(25-1)
- (25-7)(25-10)(25-10)
- (25-12)(25-15)
- (25-19)(25-21)
- (23-25)(25-21)(26-28)
- (25-19)(25-12)
- (25-11)(25-9)(25-12)
- (27-25)(16-25)(19-25)(24-26)
- (25-12)(25-17)
- (25-22)(23-25)(16-25)
- (25-7)(25-6)
- (25-10)(25-13)
- (25-7)(25-12)
- (25-17)(25-20)(25-13)
- (25-15)(25-16)(25-9)
- (14-25)(18-25)(17-25)
- (25-10)(25-14)(25-15)
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- (25-12)(25-14)(25-3)
- (25-13)(25-16)(25-9)
- (25-22)(18-25)(15-25)(14-25)

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What was your favorite conditioning station for volleyball?

"Mrs. Graft's station because it challenged us. My muscles got really big," junior Shelby Peterson said.



"I liked it when she would say, 'Grab a ball. We're serving and chasing!' after we were done stretching. We didn't condition on those days," junior Jussy Tuscherer said.



know your {creativity}



Sydney Schell



Katelyn Little



Melissa Thompson

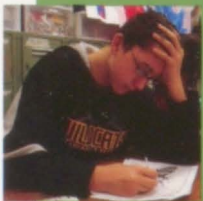
Art. . . Northwestern educates many talented students, and the students' creative sides are better displayed nowhere than in room 200: the art room.

"I'm in there everyday, all day, as much as I can be. I sold one of my pieces for \$475.00. Art isn't like anything else for me; I'm addicted to it," senior Chelsea Fischbach said.

The art class accomplished many projects, the biggest being Mrs. Lisa Frericks's beach window mural in her office.



Gavin Bohl



Matthew Fischbach

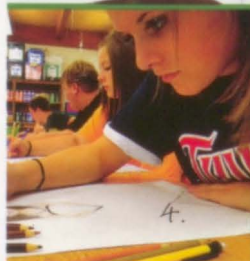


Ruth Phillips

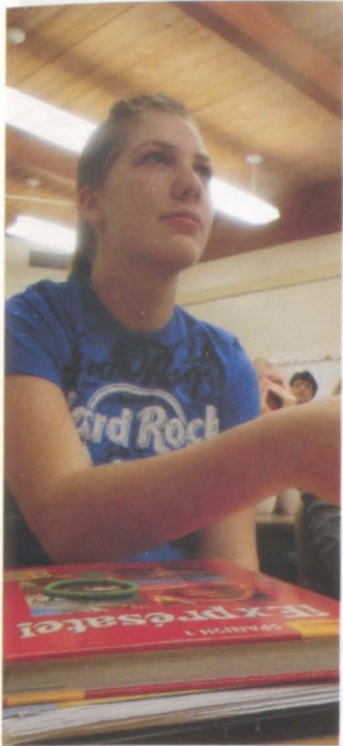


Donna Harmon

1. Junior Ulbolsyn Kuanova uses a colored pencil to fill in her paper.
2. Sophomore Sarah Franco diligently creates with her Sharpie.
3. Seniors Chelsea Fischbach and Amanda Finley work on the mural in the business manager's office.
4. Sophomore Kimberly Miles makes a sketch.
5. Chelsea Fischbach's Halloween pumpkin features a spooky haunted house.

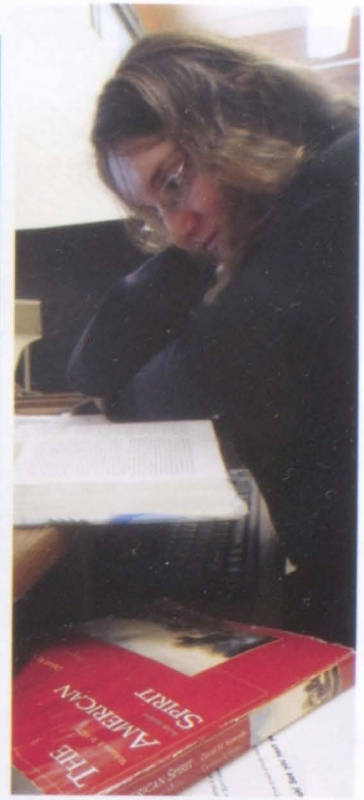


Senior Alyssa Morgan uses the TV remote during her 7:30 a.m. Spanish II class over DDN.



Senior Shaina Jensen works on her online class, AP psychology, on a computer in Mrs. Jeannine Jilek's room.

Senior Ethan Steward studies AP physics during the last block of the day.



Senior Elizabeth Leonhardt quietly studies her AP U.S. history work.

know your {opportunities}

{quotations}

How do you think DDN and AP classes are beneficial? What classes are you taking?

"You learn a lot more because you teach everything to yourself



instead of listening to a teacher lecture.

I'm taking AP physics, calculus and chemistry," senior Dalton Franck said.

"They help with college credits.

I'm taking Spanish I and



if I take Spanish II, I will be able to get that big scholarship. That's the only benefit for me,"

sophomore Evan Finley said.

Distance learning and online Advanced Placement

classes

"I take Spanish II; it is not beneficial. You have to be at school at 7:30 a.m. every day to earn a scholarship



that won't even be available to us because there's no money to fund it," junior Laken Frericks said.

know your { strength }

Football. . . "Overall it was a good season. A few things didn't go our way, and we were a better team than our record showed when we were healthy," senior Alex Bauer said.

The 2010 football season was one riddled with injuries for Northwestern's entire roster, and it took a toll on the team's record. One of the most significant injuries occurred when senior Michael Smith fractured his collar bone and was subsequently benched until the last game of his high school career.

"I feel kind of bad for them having to go through that, missing out on their last games," senior Josh Clemens said.



Josh Clemens



Trevor Toennies



Landon Fischbach



Hunter Wood



Justin Dirksen



Tyler Carda

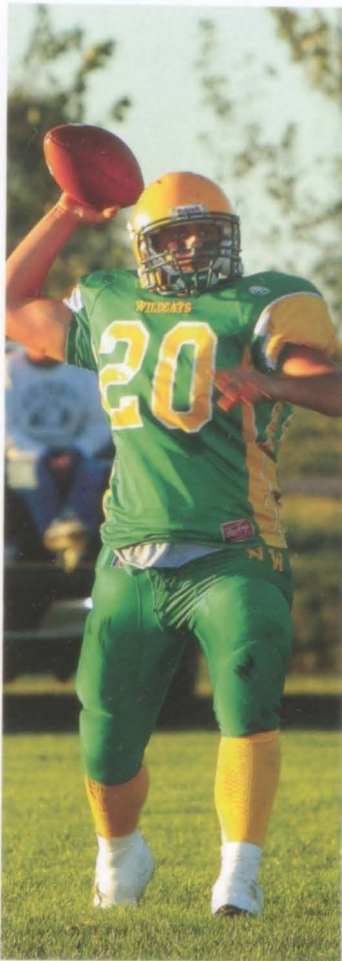


Jacob Heidenreich

1. Freshman Landon Fischbach brushes on a defender.
2. Wildcats take the field.
3. Senior Michael Smith takes down a Leola-Frederick carrier.
4. Freshman Nathan Frericks fervently looks to find an opponent.
5. Seniors Josh Clemens, Alex Bauer, Michael Smith, and Jeramiah Serfling watch the ongoing game.



Senior Josh Clemens intends to out-manuever the defense on a carry.



Senior Alex Bauer looks to throw a pass during the Leola-Frederick game in Mellette.

Junior Hunter Wood looks to block for a teammate against the Leola-Frederick Titans.



Senior Michael Smith runs with the ball, evading the defense.

Scoreboard

Langford	28-12
Leola/Frederick	20-26
Ipswich	12-6
Wolsey-Wessington	6-28
Sully Buttes	0-62
Warner	14-15
Hitchcock-Julare	0-47
Faulkton	6-14

Record: 3-5

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If you be a professional football player, who would you be and why?

"I would be Brett Favre because I did a good job of standing on the sidelines. He does his best work there," freshman Nathan Palmer said.



"Clay Matthews because I want long, luscious locks of hair like him instead of the ginger mess I have," freshman Nathan Frericks said.



know your {health}



Ul bolsyn Kuanova



Delbert Leonhardt



Kelsey Hoellein

Wellness class. . . Health and wellness class is not just about textbooks and diagrams. Mr. Scott Boone encourages every student to participate in the numerous activities that take place outside the classroom.

"I really enjoy dodgeball, and the class is pretty easy considering we do a lot of activities and very little book work," freshman Delbert Leonhardt said.



Kaitlyn Sparring



Mr. Scott Boone

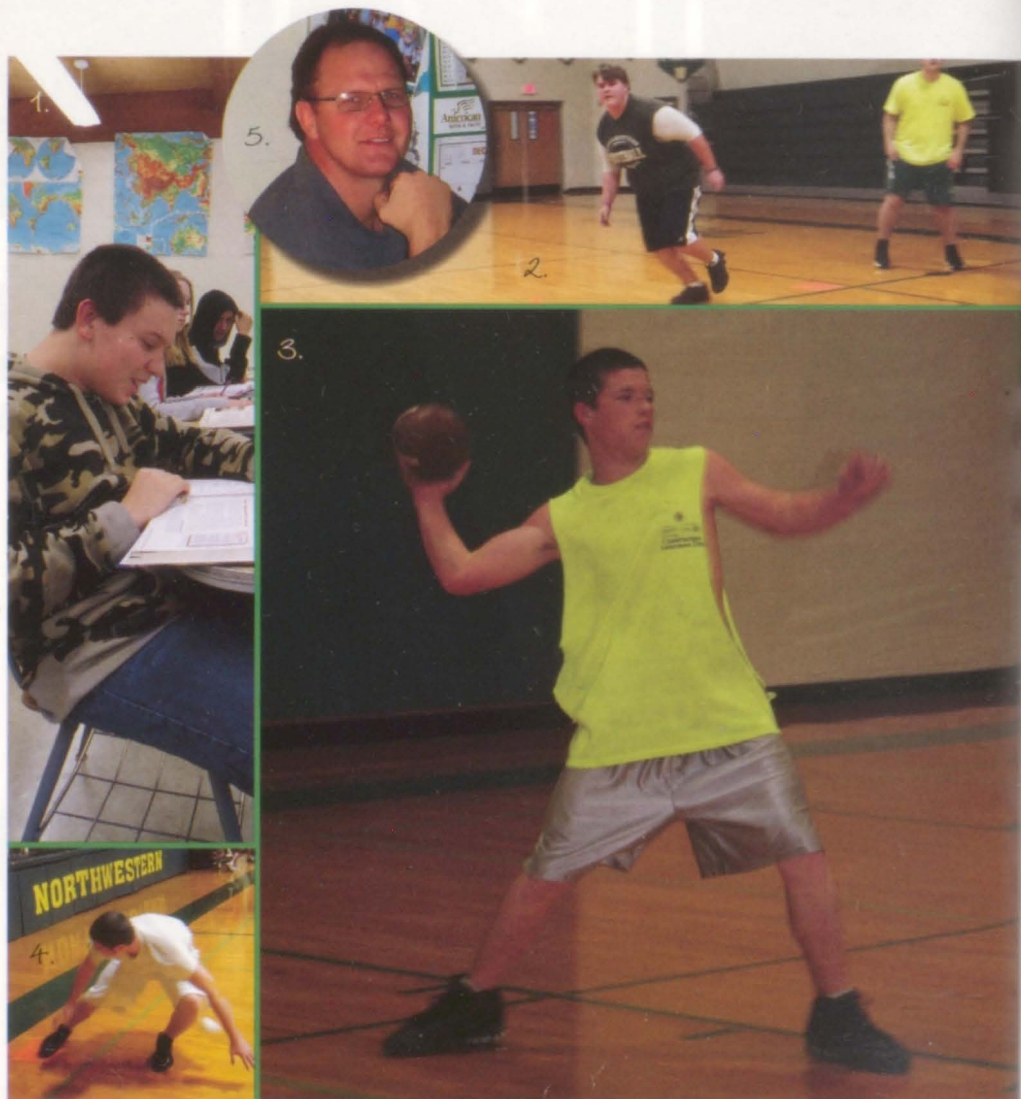


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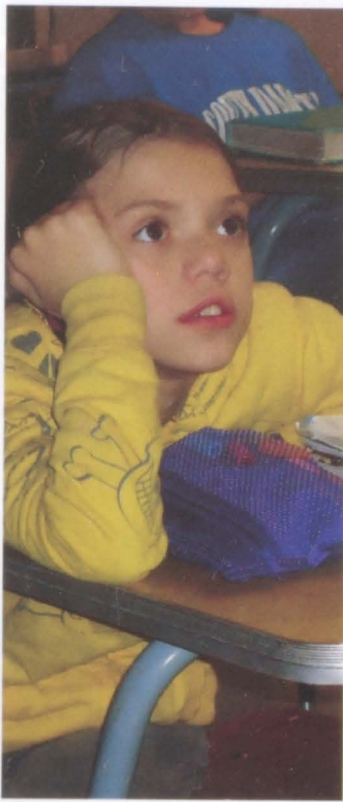
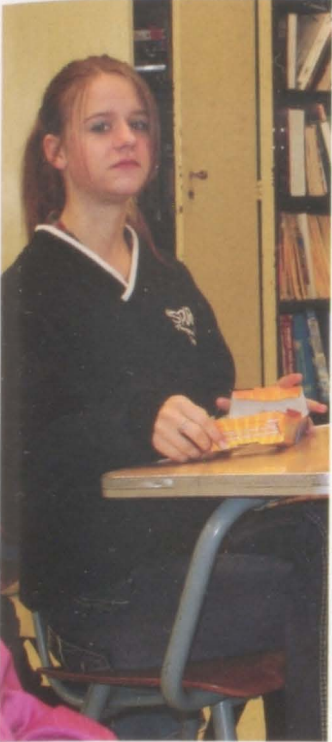


Jake Groft
Loggen Lechner

1. Freshman Jesse Lutter studies his health book.
2. Sophomore Stanton Roach steals a base during indoor baseball.
3. Sophomore Jake Groft pulls back to make a pass to a teammate.
4. Senior Michael Smith, a frequent Wellness class crusher, tags up during indoor baseball.
5. Mr. Scott Boone gives a quizzical smile during a health video.



Senior Chelsea Fischbach enjoys a breakfast sandwich during the first block of the day, U.S. history.



Mr. Scott Boone's excellent selection in films entrances sixth-grader Klaryssa Schnoor.

Freshman Bryce Roe fills his map in with color.



Sixth-graders Austen Wiman and Chelsea Sorenson watch an educational documentary in Mr. Scott Boone's world history class.

know your { history }

{ quotations }

World History, Government and U.S. History

What is your favorite Mr. Boone story?

"The one when he told us the awful gifts he got his wife for their anniversary," junior Annie Lutter said.



"My favorite story is the one where he talks about how he proposed to his second wife. He didn't even buy her a ring right away, and she still said yes. He took a gamble with that one," senior Hilary Frericks said.



"When he told us about the time he went into a gay bar in Minneapolis," junior Maddy Smith said.



know your {WINTER}

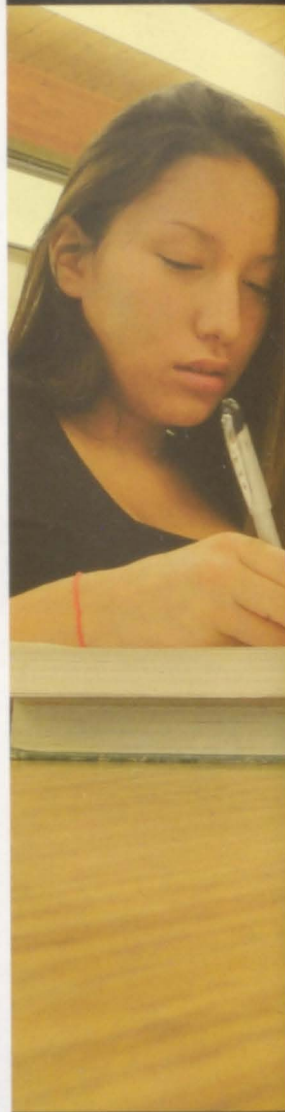


Jussy Tuscherer



Alyssa Morgan

Nona Roeber



Tucker Bohl



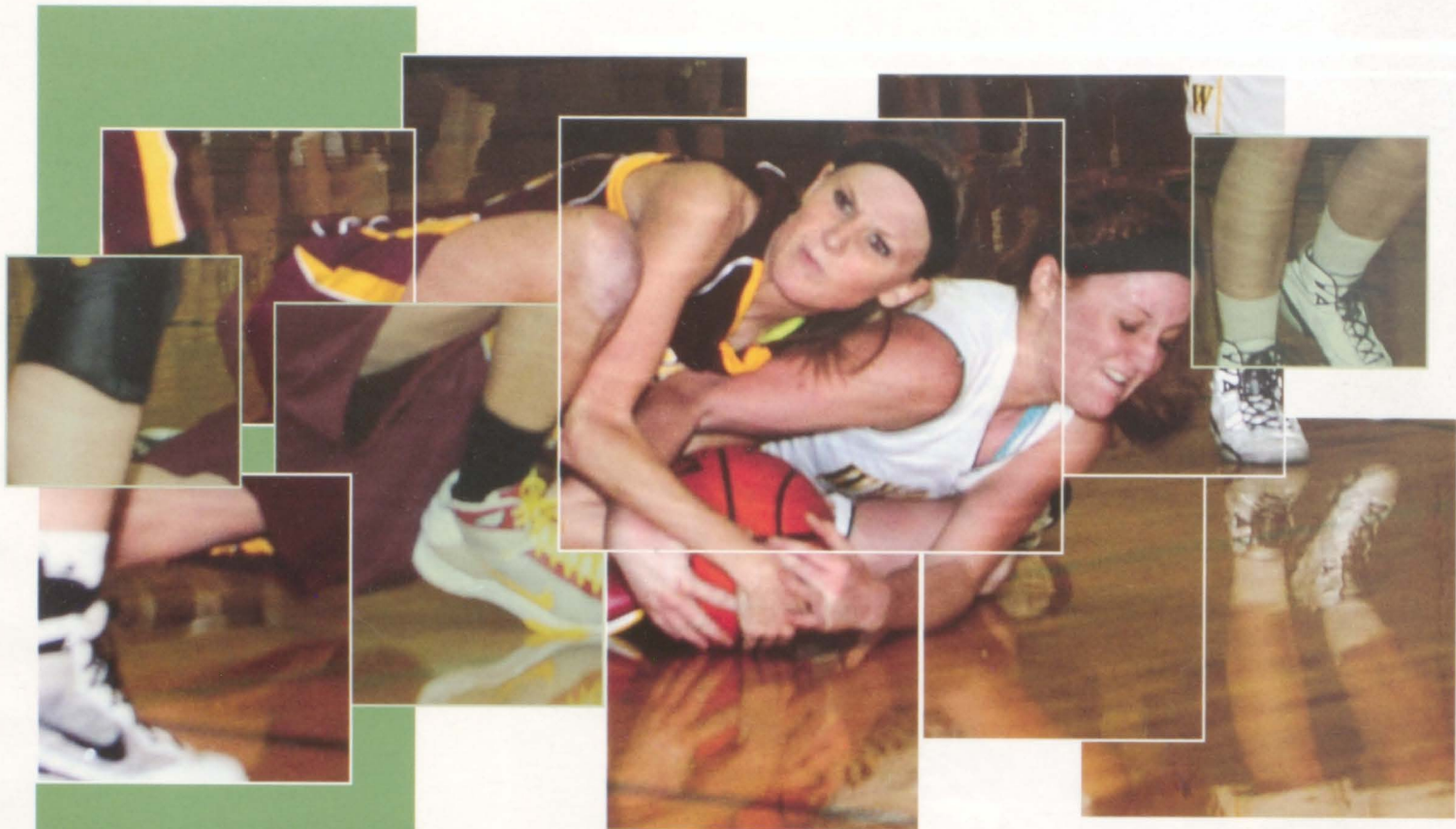
Trevor Toennies



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know your { competition }

Girls' Basketball... The Northwestern girls' basketball team made an impressive name for itself, winning the first seven games of the season.

"We started off to a great season. It would have been nice to be able to keep it going, but we have one more chance next year," junior Jussy Tuscherer said.

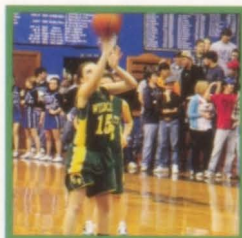
The Wildcats ended their season 11-9 in an overtime game against Ipswich in the first round of the District 2B Tournament in Aberdeen.



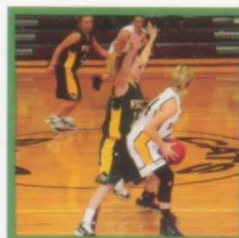
Junior Shelby Peterson plays help defense during the junior varsity game against Hitchcock-Tulare. Winter



Sophomore Ashley Clemens finishes at the hoop after a drive through the lane against Langford.



Junior Gabby Morgan shoots a pair of free-throws in Redfield against Redfield-Doland.



Junior Haley Wetzler stands tall on a dead ball against Rosholt.



Defense rocks. Senior Joni Boekelheide defends an opponent during the game against Langford.

Who was your favorite person on the bench?



A.

"Haley. She's super loud, to the point of annoying," senior Joni Boekelheide said.



B.

"Ubi. Ubi really is one of my faves because she doesn't know that much about the game, but has learned so much. She's my four-minute reminder," Mrs. Jennifer Schell said.



C.

"Mrs. Schell because she is so enthusiastic," sophomore Ashley Clemens said.

11-9

Scoreboard

Aberdeen Roncalli

53-48

Aberdeen Christian

76-16

Warner

56-64

Miller

55-44

Gettysburg

67-51

Faulkton Area

68-46

Hitchcock-Tulare

49-40

St. Thomas More

42-64

Sisseton

31-59

Ipswich

43-50

Warner

37-49

Leola/Frederick

60-33

Langford Area

61-37

Hoven/Edmunds Central

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Webster

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Summit

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Redfield/Doland

28-35

Herried/Selby Area

46-42

Ipswich

64-59

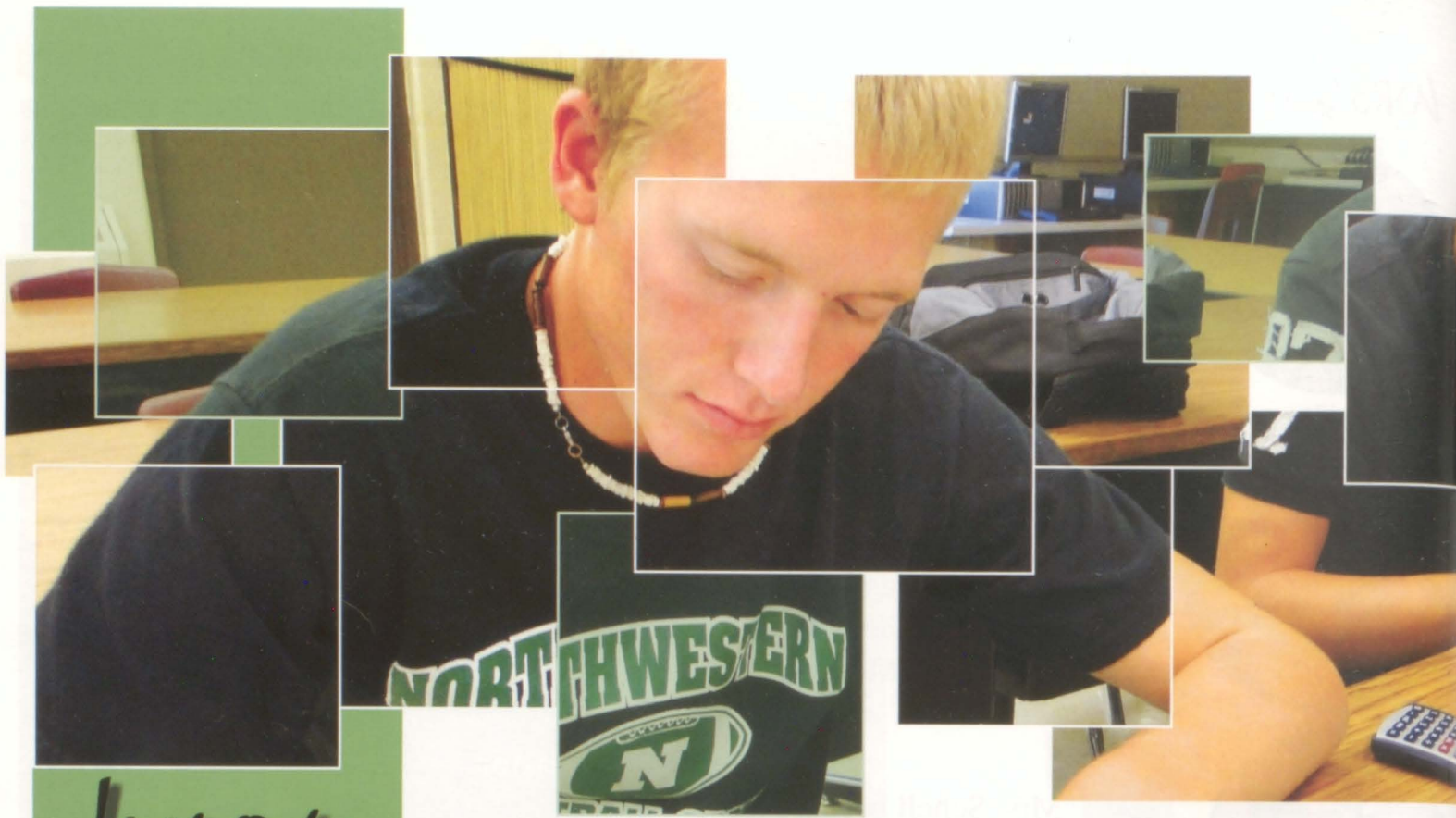


She's got hops

1. Back Row: Haley Wetzler. Row 3: assistant coach Jennifer Schell, Gabby Morgan, student manager Calli Peterson, Mariah Taylor and head coach Rich Osborn. Row 2: student manager Madison Hahler, Kimberly Miles, Joni Boekelheide, Shelby Peterson and student manager Carolina Spielman. Front Row: Laken Frericks, Jussy Tuscherer, Ashley Clemens and Courtlen Lechner

2. Junior Mariah Taylor stops in the lane for a pull-up, jump shot against a defender.





know your { market }

Business... "My classes are beneficial because I teach skills the students will use their whole lives beyond high school and college. I teach them how to prepare for job interviews, how to manage a business, or how different aspects of the law affect them," Mrs. Anne Frericks said.

The students in Frericks' business department classes learn skills that will be valuable when entering the job market. From creating and managing a new sales and production company in business management to designing T-shirts and printing them in entrepreneurship, these students leave Northwestern further prepared for real-life business scenarios.



Senior Chelsea Fischbach screens a shirt during her entrepreneurship class.



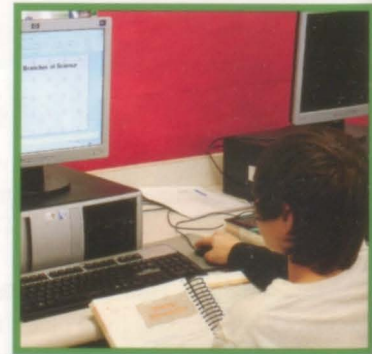
Freshman Madison Hahler presents her Big Idea pitch in Aberdeen.



Sophomore Shay Clemensen concentrates hard on the assignment given during his advanced computers class.



Junior Nona Roeber looks over her accounting assignment before starting.



I present to you... Sophomore Trevor Rush creates a PowerPoint presentation according to guidelines in the advanced computers textbook.

Of the computer applications you have learned to use, which will you use the most in your future?



A. "I will most likely use Excel the most in my future," junior Casey Kulm said.

B. "All of it because I will need to know how to use most of them in college," sophomore Nathan Hawley said.

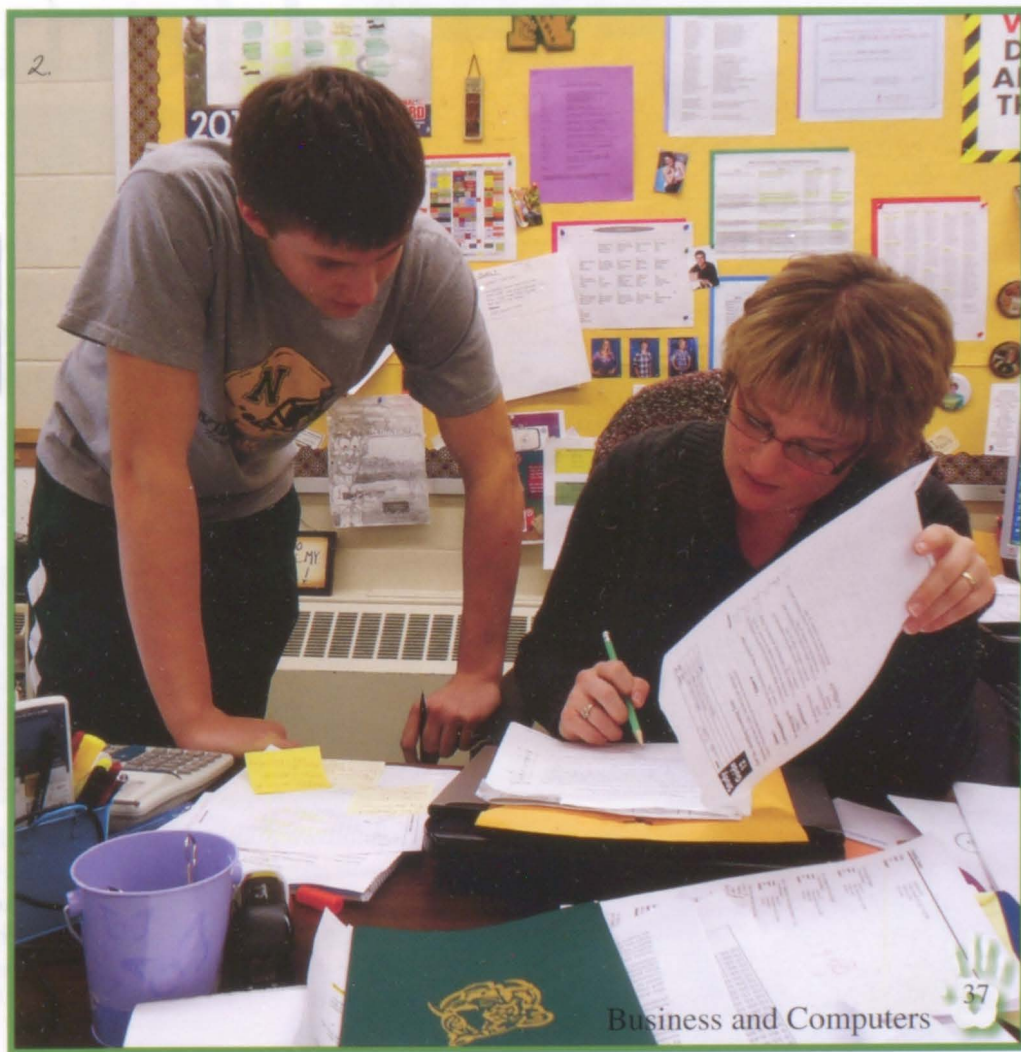
C. "I will use Microsoft Word most, because you can type papers, create flyers and much more," junior Madison Smith said.

Listen to me

1. Junior Alex Boekelheide presents his Boekelheide Trucking pitch at the Big Idea contest, in which he placed second and received \$500.

2. Sophomore Landon Fischbach gets help on his accounting assignment from Mrs. Anne Frericks.

3. Freshmen Donna Harmon and Matthew Fischbach listen closely to the instructions given at their Character Counts assembly.

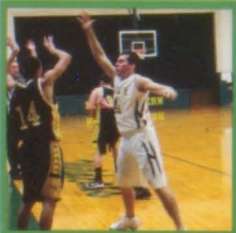




know your { fortitude }

Boys' Basketball... The boys' basketball team proved to be determined in all that they did. With a varsity team full of experience, the team anticipated a very victorious year. Although the season ended with a 7-13 record, they did not give up; they practiced hard and played even harder, setting an example for the younger players.

"I really enjoyed playing basketball this season. I enjoyed getting the opportunity to play with our seniors. They taught me a lot, and their leadership was great!" sophomore Landon Fischbach said. "I hope that our underclassmen and I take their example and turn what we did not accomplish this year into motivation to accomplish those goals in the coming years. There will be a lot of roles to fill for next year's team, and I am excited for the opportunities it will pose."



Senior Jerry Serfling defends the ball being taken out of bounds against Wolsey-Wessington.



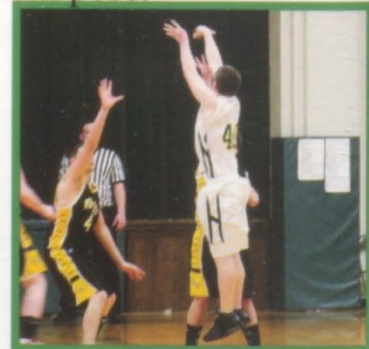
Sophomore Landon Fischbach quickly gets a shot off before the defender blocks the ball.



Sophomore Silas Franco takes a jump shot in the lane during the junior varsity game versus Langford.



Senior Dalton Franck drives through the lane, maneuvering around the opponents.

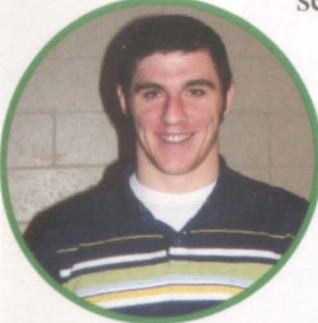


Over the top
Senior Michael Smith shoots a three-pointer over the Wolsey-Wessington defense.

What was your most memorable game?



A. "(Florence Henry), it was our last home game, and we played amazingly. And I got a little beat up: my eye popped out," senior Dalton Franck said.



B. "Against Leola-Frederick. All my family was here, and it was the first time I ever beat my cousin when we were both starting varsity," senior Michael Smith said.



C. "Warner, because it was my first win as a starter, and we beat our rival on our home court in our first game of the season," sophomore Landon Fischbach said.

SCOREBOARD

Hoven/Edmunds Central	74-45
Warner	50-44
Herreid/Selby Area	45-55
Aberdeen Christian	50-52
Ipswich	51-48
Miller	28-72
Warner	25-37
Leola/Frederick	45-42
Faulkton Area	44-43
Langford Area	46-57
Wolsey-Wessington	52-54
Gettysburg	50-62
Webster	59-53
Summit	59-84
Redfield/Doland	33-63
Florence/Henry	66-42
Hitchcock-Tulare	40-69
Sully Buttes	48-68
Aberdeen Christian	45-58
Ipswich	37-50

Up, Up and Away!

2. Freshman Nathan Palmer jumps for a dunk against Langford.



1. From left to right: assistant coach Bill Clemens, student manager Luther Johnson, head coach Chris Osborn, student managers Annie Lutter and Laine Mielke, Silas Franco, Evan Finley, Jacob Heidenreich, Nathan Palmer, Landon Fischbach, Dalton Franck, Michael Smith, Joshua Clemens, Alex Bauer, Jeramiah Serfling, Justin Dirksen, Logen Lechner and Ray Lerew.



know your { voltage } ...

Industrial Tech and VOED... The industrial tech and VOED classes offered by Northwestern and Hub Area Technical School provide an alternative to the customary electives.

"Building trades, graphic design, electronics.... There's all kinds of stuff to do there: stuff we could never learn here in a million years," sophomore Alex Hawley said.

Students taking VOED classes ride a bus to Aberdeen every day and use the HATS facilities. Currently, students from NW are taking machine tools, electronics and automotive classes.



Sophomore Jake Graft lubricates a wheel with WD-40 during construction class.



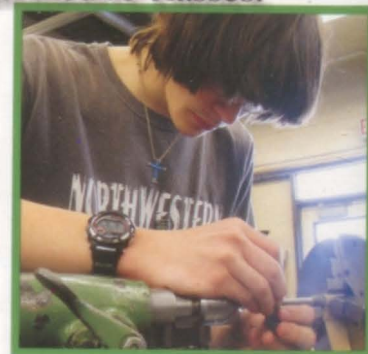
Sophomore Silas Franco fits a mechanical component onto an engine during automotive class at VOED.



Senior Rachel Finley uses a solder gun to solder pieces to a computer chip.



Sophomore Melissa Thompson and junior foreign exchange student Ulbolsyn Kuanova place and spread wood glue.



It's all in the details.
Sophomore Alex Hawley uses a mechanical machine to finish an assignment in his machine tools class at VOED.

Machine Tools



and { VOED }

What is your favorite part of the class you are taking at VOED?

Automotive



Automotive

Heat, Melt, Repeat

A.

"The fact that we don't do much except setting the machine to do the project for us. I like the lack of effort," sophomore Alex Hawley said.

B.

"Getting out of school everyday. We waste like an hour!" senior Jalen Diede said.

C.

"Messing around with Jalen," sophomore Silas Franco said.

1. Sophomore Warren Walters solders a computer chip for an assignment in electronics class.

2. Seniors Justin Dirksen and Casey Bade and juniors Trevor Toennies and Hunter wood display a metal sculpture made during welding class.

3. Sophomore Ray Lerew cuts a piece of wood in construction.



VOED





know your {alacrity}

Cheerleading... Promoting school spirit, uplifting the crowd and competing at cheer competitions: the Northwestern cheerleaders stayed busy throughout the year jumping from one sport to another while practicing and competing numerous times throughout the year.

"Competition cheer went great--the team bonded very well while doing what we enjoy. The rest of the squads were fun and inviting. It was definitely a memorable experience," senior Hilary Frericks said.



The football cheerleaders create a human pyramid.



Sophomore Alisa Grabau encourages the boys' basketball team during a home game against Warner.



Senior Alyssa Morgan executes a side hurdler during the dance performance of homecoming coronation.



Freshman Torey Beardemphl cheers exuberantly during a home football game.



High Five!
Junior Laken Frericks performs the competition cheerleaders' routine during homecoming coronation.



What is something that should not be cheered about?

A.

"When somebody gets hurt, you shouldn't cheer," junior Laken Frericks said.

B.

"The other team losing," freshman Maddie Hahler said.

C.

"Technical fouls," freshman Kristie Bade said.



It takes serious concentration

1. Junior Gabby Morgan performs the duty of flyer as her teammates lift her into the air.
2. Junior Jenny Lefforge cheers with serious concentration during a boys' basketball game against Redfield-Doland.
3. Freshman Maddie Hahler holds a Relay for Life bucket to collect money.





know your { faith }

Fellowship of Christian Athletes... Outside the normal routine of eating, sleeping and going to school, some Northwestern students take time to experience fellowship in FCA and youth groups.

Whether for food, fellowship or just seeing friends, NW students take their faith seriously.

"I participate in FCA to help spread the Gospel message," senior Ethan Steward said.



Sixth-grader Kyler Johnson washes dishes at the Valentine's Day Supper.



Sixth-grader Andrew Lefforge and seventh-grader Isaac Groft play a game at the Tri-Parish Youth Group.



Juniors Casey Kulm, Shelby Peterson, Alex Boekelheide and Maddy Smith pose for a picture after being confirmed at Good Shepard Lutheran Church of Aberdeen.



Sophomore Melissa Thompson and seventh-grader Trevor Bohl compete in a candy stacking contest at the Tri-Parish Youth Group.



Everyone's full!
The Trinity Lutheran Youth Group helped out at "Kids Against Hunger" in December 2010.

About what do you pray?



A.

"Money," freshman Luther Johnson said.

B.

"All my cattle stay safe and that my crops grow big and tall and that Nate Palmer graduates high school," junior Hunter Wood said.

C.

"I just pray for God to get me from one day to another," junior Katrina Frericks said.

Working hard or hardly working?

1. Seventh-grader Kirstin Borge dries a glass during the Tri- Parish Youth Group's Valentine's Day Supper.
2. Eighth-graders Haley Grandpre, Christine Morgan, Halle Sieve and Jordon Peterson Peterson use stuffing as mock facial hair.
3. Seventh-grader Cody Lefforge observes as his group completes a game during the Tri-Parish Youth Group.



know your {SPRING}



Ulbolsyn Kuanova



Gabby Morgan

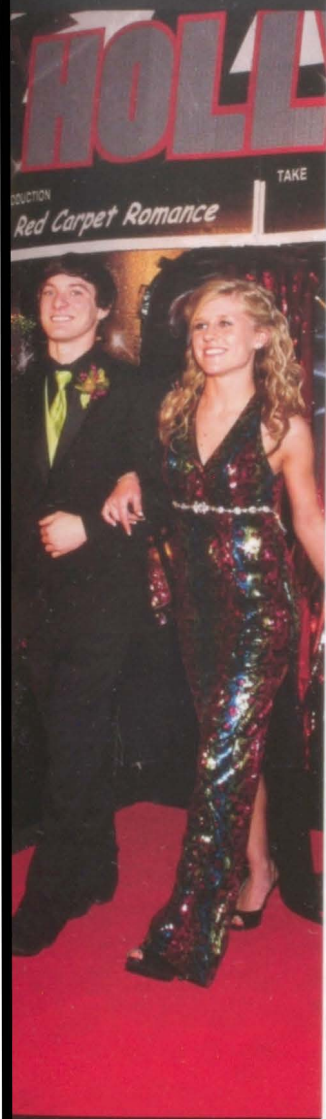
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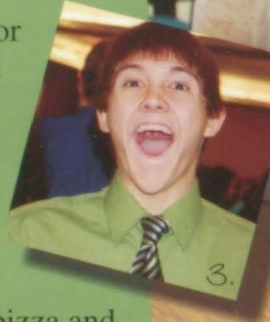
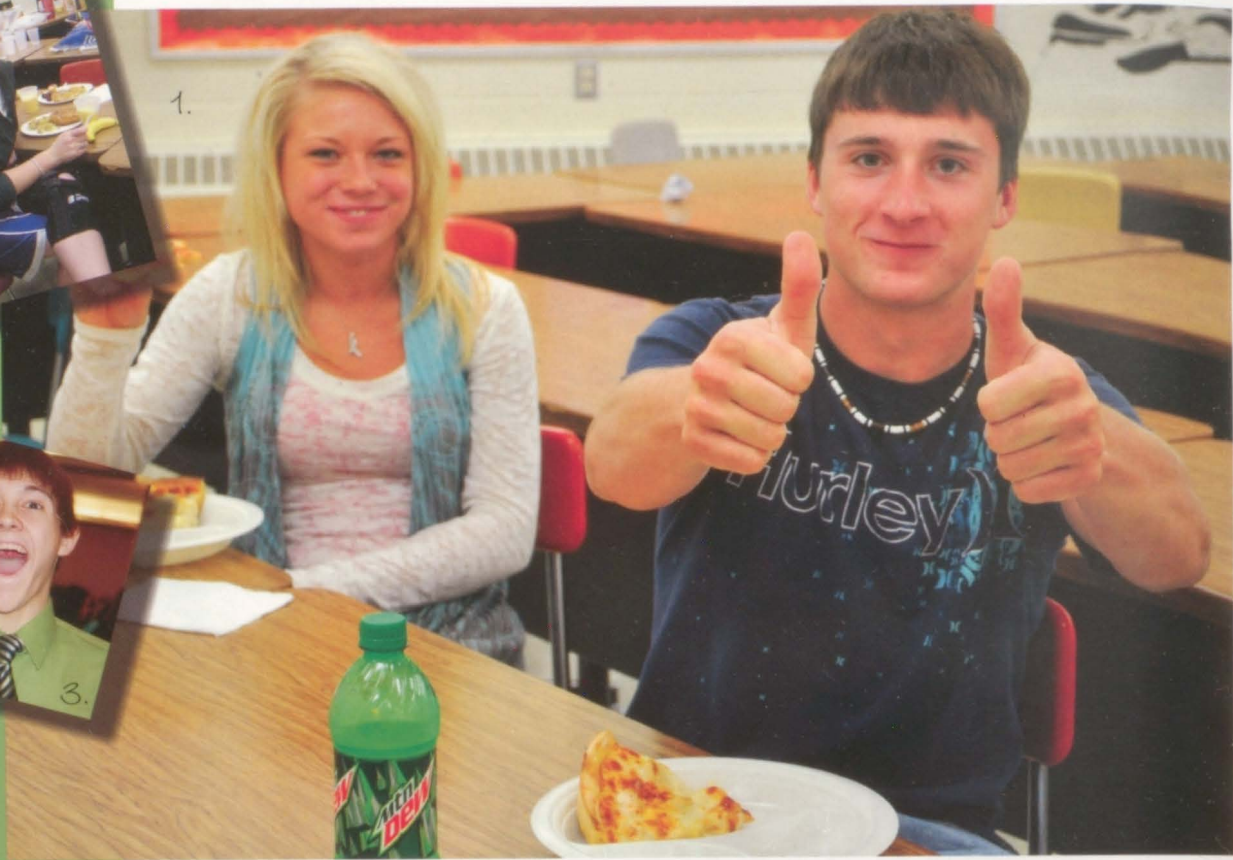
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Casey Kulm
Emily Kamen



Jessica Boekelheide



1. Junior Mariah Taylor and senior Josh Clemens enjoy pizza and pop during the FBLA officers' meeting.
2. Senior Joni Boekelheide and junior Jenny Lefforge eat breakfast at an FBLA meeting.
3. Junior Logan Brown celebrates FBLA.
4. The entire FBLA chapter sits nicely for a photo.
5. Senior Ashly Wise donates blood.



What would make a great fundraiser?



"I think selling organs and body tissues would definitely raise the most money. People would pay big bucks to get a kidney," senior Kara Fischbach said.

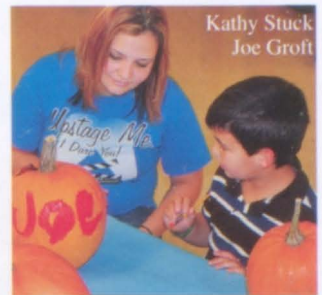


"Car donation. It's a win-win situation. Or car smashing where you pay a dollar to like, smash it," sophomore Kimberly Miles said.

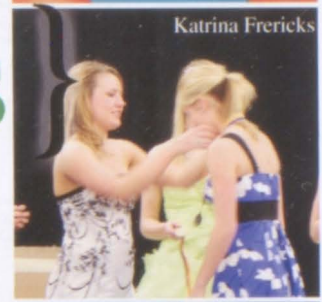


"Bus racing because I think the short bus would dominate," freshman Jacob Heidenreich said.

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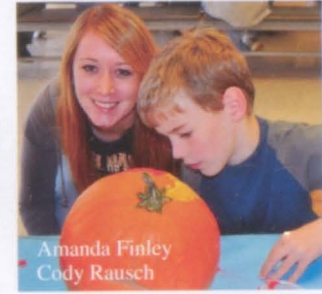
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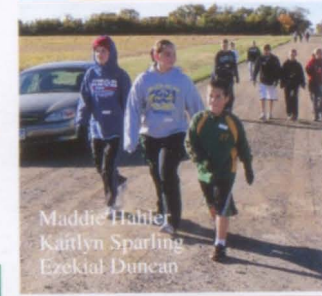
Katrina Frericks



Maddy Smith



Amanda Finley
Cody Rausch



Maddie Bahler
Karlyn Sparling
Ezekiel Duncan



Cassidy Frericks



Sam Groft

FBLA

1. Senior Dalton Franck announces winners at the state convention in Sioux Falls, South Dakota on April 5, 2011.
2. Every year, the freshman class is in charge of putting up the Christmas tree and decorations.



The Northwestern chapter of Future Business Leaders of America began the year with a 5K, 10K and 2-mile bike race fundraiser.

"A lot of people participated, and it was great for the community. Exercise is awesome!" freshman Paige Metzinger said.

Not only was the new fundraiser fun, it was incredibly successful.

"We were competing against two other running events that day, but ended up having the largest turn-out of all three. We also raised approximately \$600. I hope it can be continued next year by other motivated individuals," senior Kara Fischbach said.

In the fall, four FBLA members attended the fall conference in Sioux Falls. The members included junior and chapter historian Katrina Frericks, senior Amanda Finley, senior and

chapter president Kara Fischbach, and senior chapter and state treasurer Dalton Franck.

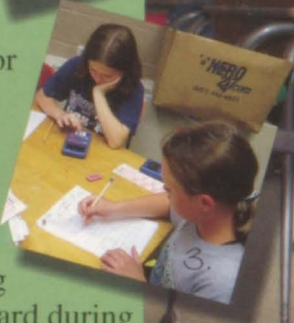
"I thought it was a very fun experience getting to meet new people outside my comfort zone, but the best part was eating at Pizza Hut on the way home," Frericks said.

Many more members of FBLA attended the state conference on April 3-5 in Sioux Falls. Northwestern competed in many events and won second place overall in chapter points.





1. Junior Maddy Smith and senior Jerry Serfling study hard during math class.
2. Sophomore Kaitlyn Sparling performs an experiment.
3. Sixth-graders Darby Duncan and Josie Clemens work on math in Mr. Rich Osborn's office.
4. Seniors Alex Bauer and Justin Dirksen finish a math test.
5. Junior Mariah Taylor uses her calculator to solve a difficult math problem.



and { calculations }

What would you like a formula for?

"A formula for track," senior Ethan Steward said.



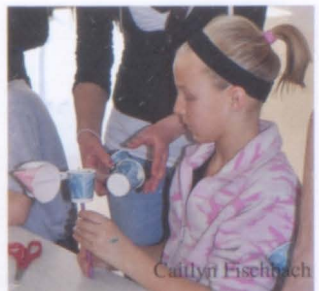
"A formula to make lots of money in the future," freshman Jeanna Duncan said.



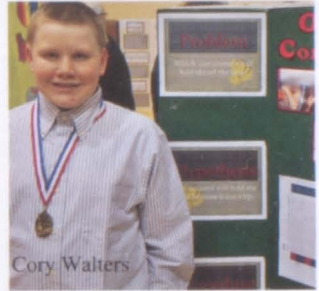
"A formula to a girl's mind," junior Alex Boekelhei de said.



know your {world}



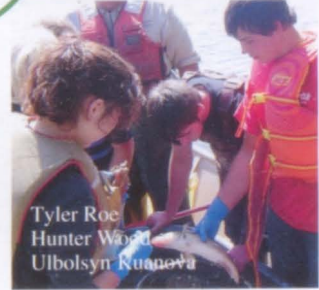
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Cory Walters



Laken Frericks



Tyler Roe
Hunter Wood
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Allison Brauh



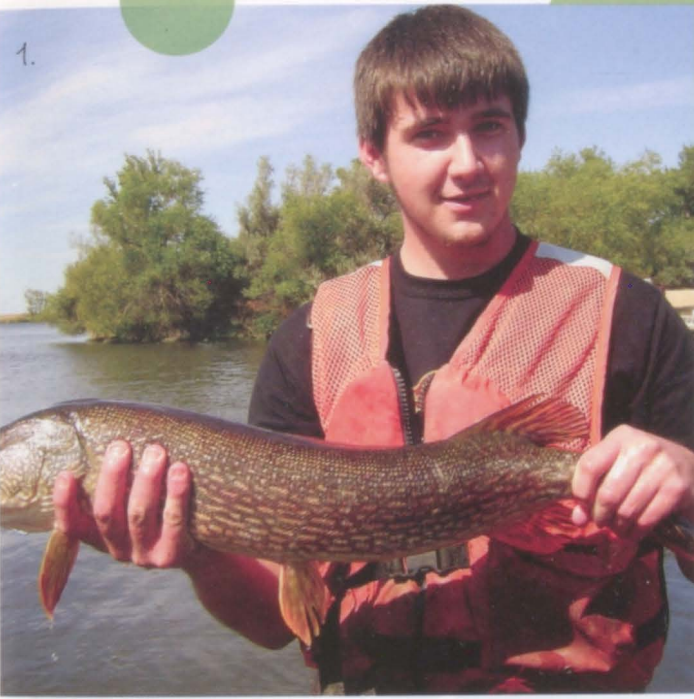
Mrs. Amanda Fa'onelua



Kathy Stuck
Ruth Phillips

Science

1. Junior Tyler Roe holds a fish he caught on an environmental science field trip.
2. Seniors Amanda Finley and Josh Clemens set up a lab for Advanced Placement Physics.



1.

Science and math. Core classes. Every student at Northwestern has to take both at some point in his or her academic career.

The science department offers a wide range of classes. A student is offered classes such as chemistry, biology and anatomy and physiology through the school and AP physics, AP chemistry and AP biology online through Learning Power.

"The AP physics class I'm taking won't count toward college credit for where I'm going. To [South Dakota School of Mines], it's a remedial course, but it's still been good practice to be taking it," senior Amanda Finley said.



2.

This is the second year that Mrs. Amanda Fa'onelua has taught math at Northwestern, and she has made significant changes to the previous curriculum.

"We learn now. That says it all," junior Laine Mielke said.

Fa'onelua teaches Algebra I, geometry, Algebra II and pre-calculus.



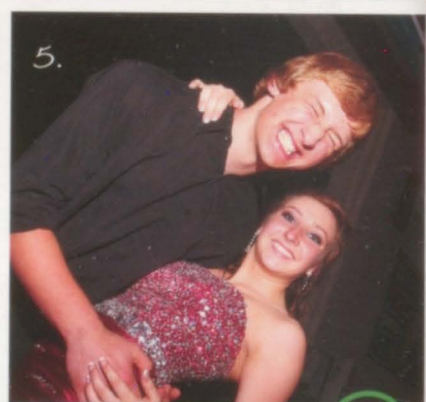
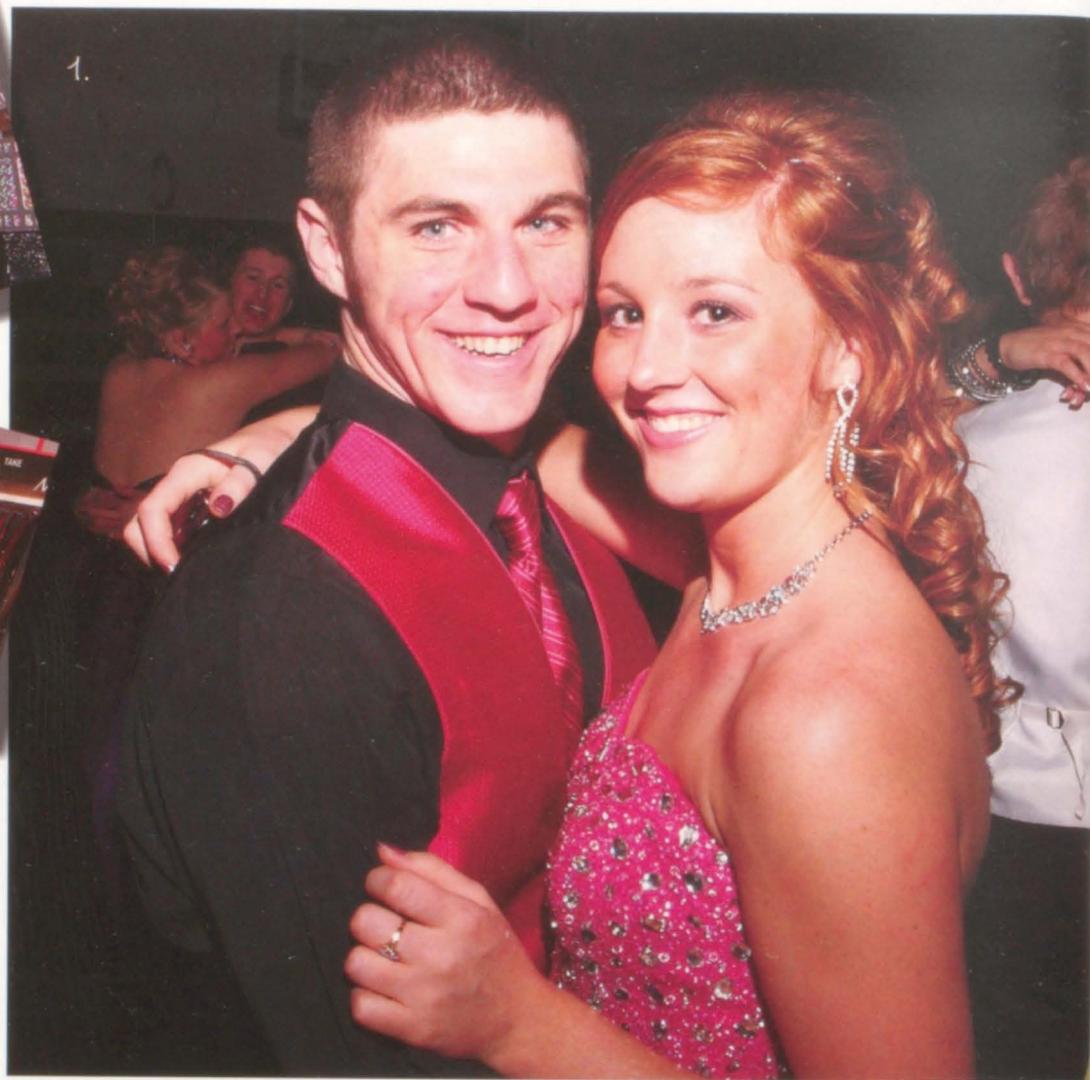
1. Senior Michael Smith and junior Jussy Tuscherer enjoy the dance after grand march.

2. Junior Alex Boekelheide and sophomore Landon Fischbach ride John Deere tractors during grand march.

3. Senior Josh Clemens escorts date Lynae Petersen from Ipswich walk through grand march.

4. Junior Haley Wetzler dances with nephew Mason Backous.

5. Freshman Nathan Palmer happily dips date junior Gabby Morgan.

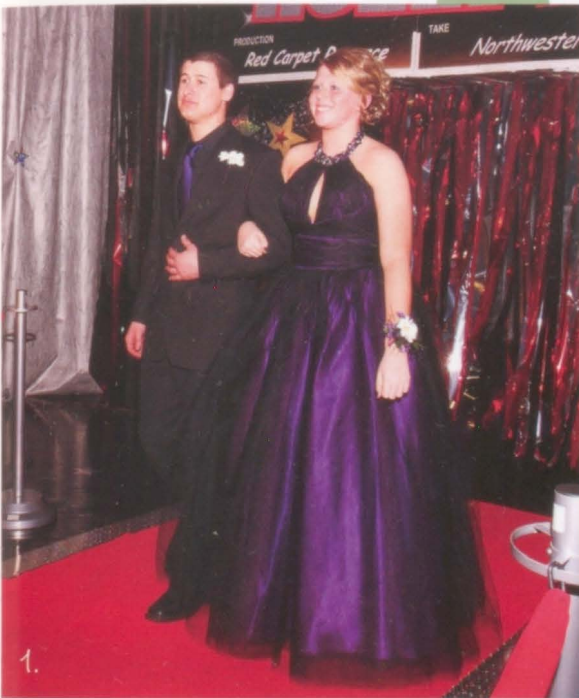


Rejected Prom Themes

1. Basketball Court
2. Winter Wonderland
3. Luau on the Beach

know your {celebrity}

1. Junior class president Laine Mielke walks with escort Stetson Kretschmar.
2. Junior Mariah Taylor is dances with date Landon Gab.

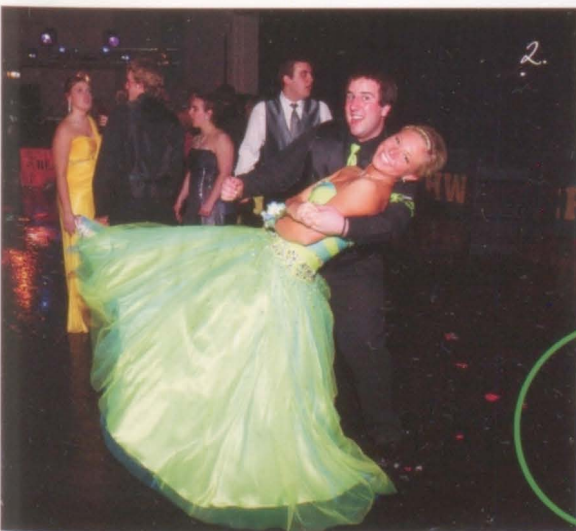


The Northwestern High School prom held Saturday, April 16, 2011, featured a total of twenty-four couples who enjoyed the Red Carpet Romance themed prom, which began at 8:00 p.m. "My pink dress rocked, and I had hair extensions put in my hair so it was like really poofy. It was awesome," sophomore Kelsey Hoellein said.

Six other sophomores, Calli Peterson, Ashley Clemens, Courtlen Lechner, Shay Clemenson, Ray Lerew and Evan Finley, served drinks to the couples as waiters and waitresses. Peterson and Finley announced names of couples during grand march.

The junior class began to set up the prom decorations on Thursday, April 14. Unfortunately, because of weather conditions, Northwestern called off school on Friday, April 15. The juniors still made sure to come to the school to finish all decorating.

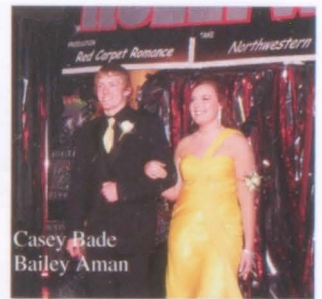
"I was really impressed with my class for



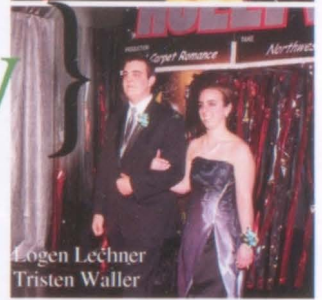
coming in on the snow day. We needed to get everything set up, and it wouldn't have happened without the help of the parents coming in, too," junior Laine Mielke said.

Post prom consisted of a hypnotist, a giant obstacle course, human hamster balls, sumo suits and various card games.

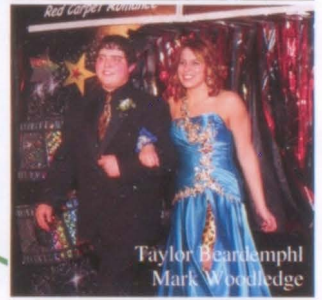
"The hypnotist was a lot of fun. Watching everyone make fools of themselves was a blast. The whole night gave me some good ideas for planning next year," sophomore Calli Peterson said.



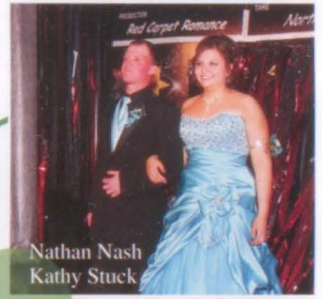
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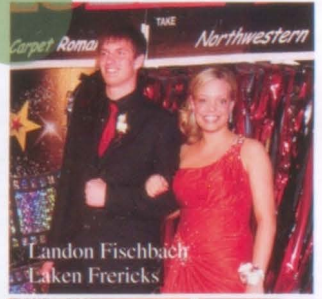
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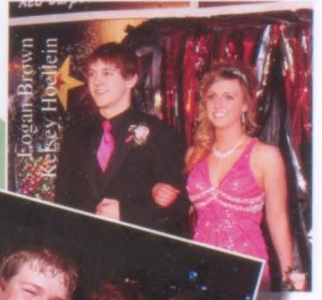
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Nathan Nash
Kathy Stuck



Landon Fischbach
Laken Frericks

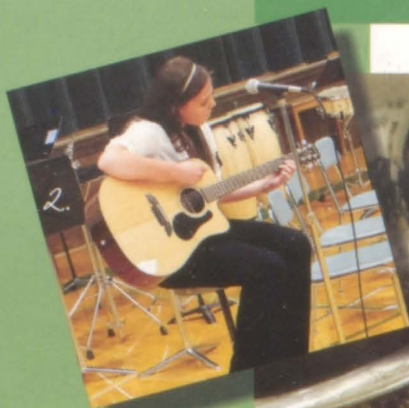


Eogann Brown
Kelsey Hoellein



Seth Tuscherer
Shelby Peterson

Prom



1. Seventh-grader Andrea Rausch cheers during a song.
2. Freshman Kalen Frericks strums her guitar during a high school concert.
3. Senior Mike Hinners and sophomore Alex Hawley sing in the choir.
4. The junior clarinet section performs a pep band selection.
5. Eighth-grader Jordon Peterson plays her French horn.

Which pep band song is your theme song?



"Funky Town," sophomore Melissa Thompson said.



"Wipe Out," junior Shelby Peterson said.



"Crunch Time," freshman Tyler Carda said.

know your {music}

1. Juniors Laken Frericks, Gabby Morgan, freshman Kalen Frericks and sophomore Evan Finley practice their percussion instrument while marching.
2. All the saxophones in the Northwestern band play in unison.



After five years and one name change, high school band director Mrs. Stephanie Lunstrum is bidding farewell.

"I have truly enjoyed my time here. It has been a rewarding and special time. I can't believe I've been here for five years! I've had so much fun with my students and Mrs. Thorson. Both have taught me so much," Lunstrum said.

Lunstrum will be moving to Gig Harbor, Wash. Her new house is situated in a prime location near Mount St. Helens.

"Just close enough to see it, but far enough away so that if it erupted I wouldn't be stuck in traffic trying to flee the burning lava," Lunstrum said.

Lunstrum plans to spend her newly

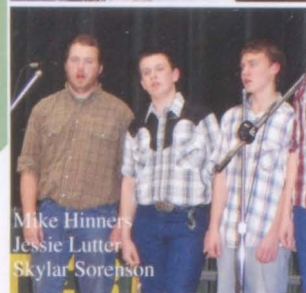
acquired free time visiting tourist attractions, such as the Space Needle, the Pacific Ocean and camping sites. Later, she plans to navigate Washington's teaching certification process to find a teaching position.

Lunstrum will be replaced by Mrs. Jody Roseland, who lives in Aberdeen with her husband.

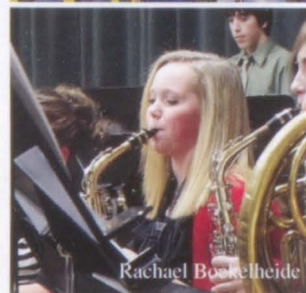
"Jody is very excited to teach at Northwestern, and I know she will do well here!" Lunstrum said.



Katrina Frericks
April Alumbaugh



Mike Hinners
Jessie Lutter
Skylar Sorenson



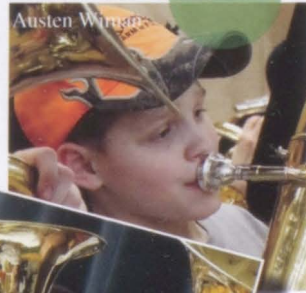
Rachael Bookelheide



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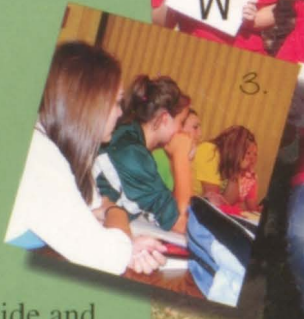
Trevor Bohl

Music



1. The journalism class has issues.

2. Junior Katrina Frericks, Hunter Wood, Alex Boekelheide and Casey Kulm demonstrate an act they saw at the circus.



3. The sophomores listen intently to their editors.

4. Junior Haley Wetzler and senior Kara Fischbach enjoy delicious corn bread in order to maintain the strength necessary to finish the yearbook.



5. Sophomore Shay Clemensen hopes that wearing the news will help him remember the news for his current events quiz.



Best journalism quotes!



"I can't read because I have gum in my mouth," junior Logan Brown said.

"Is the Koran the Jewish or the Muslim Bible?" junior Hunter Wood said.



"I don't read," sophomore Shay Clemensen said.

"How do you pass your Accelerated Reader tests?" junior Alex Boekleheide asked.

"I don't," Clemensen said.



"Mrs. Groft, who is the main character in *Antigone*? Oh wait, Julius Caesar!" junior Jared Fischer said.

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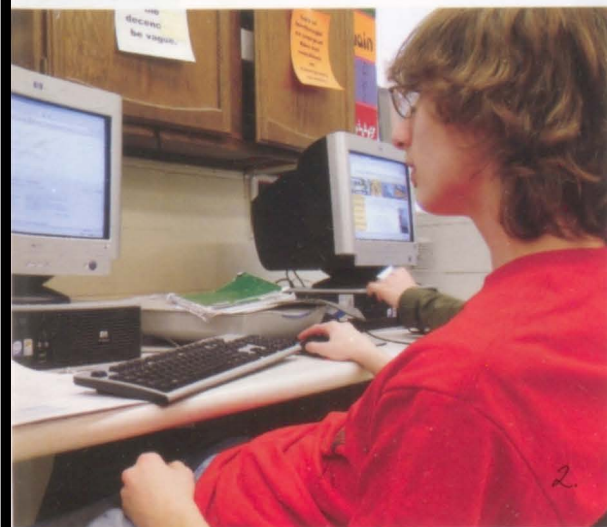
know your {grammar}

1. Junior high language arts teacher Mrs. Christy Cardella brought in her daughter Elise to paint faces in Native American style.
2. Junior Jared Fischer finishes his blogs for Mrs. Nora Groft's English 11 class.



The Northwestern journalism class has a tradition of creating outstanding newspapers and yearbooks. Newspaper editor junior Laine Mielke and yearbook editor Landon Gab both received the all-state award for their publications.

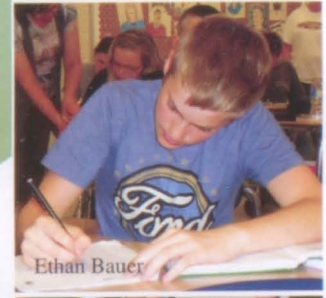
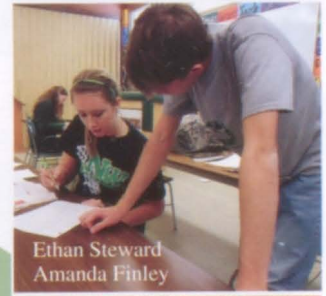
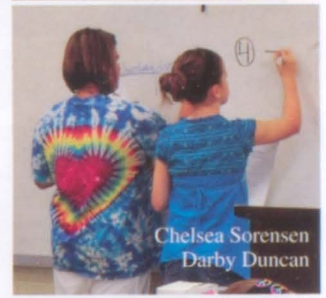
At the annual writing contest sponsored by the South Dakota High School Press Association, Northwestern placed first in five categories, an impressive feat for such a small school. Senior Kara Fischbach earned first place for her Duncan Family Daycare ad, while junior Kathy stuck received first place for her iPad cartoon. Sophomore Calli Peterson and Mielke wrote the first and second place articles, which were their editorials on the iPad



purchase. Juniors Haley Wetzler and Katrina Frericks placed first and third, respectively, in the photography category. Mielke also received second in Front Page Layout, first in Special Edition and was named the high-point student.

Mrs. Nora Groft teaches all English and journalism classes and supervises the creation of publications.

"I am very proud of the work the journalism students do. They manage to have their share of fun, but when it's time to get down to business, they do very well," Groft said.





1. Members of the one-act play demonstrate an emotional scene.
2. Senior Alyssa Morgan and sophomore Calli Peterson use faux guns in the spring play.
3. Seniors Hilary Frericks and Dalton Franck narrate the one-act play.
4. Freshmen Kristie Bade and Kalen Frericks and junior Ulbolsyn Kuanova dance during play practice after school.

About what would you write a play?

"A story about the last day as a senior in high school," junior Ulbolsyn Kuanova said.

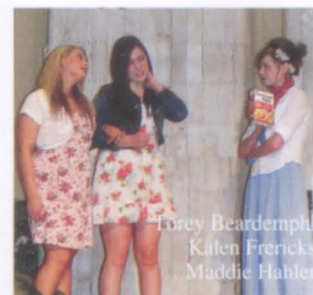


"People coming back from the dead as singing zombies," senior Rachel Finley said.

"A story of a girl or boy going through hardships at home but seeks out help from his or her friends at school," junior Kathy Stuck said.



know your { theatrics }



Torey Beardemphl
Kalen Frericks
Maddie Hahler



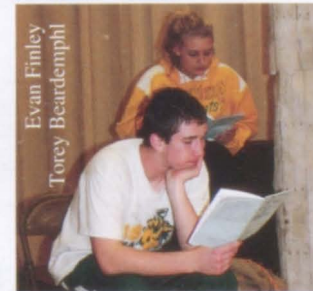
Elizabeth Leonhardt
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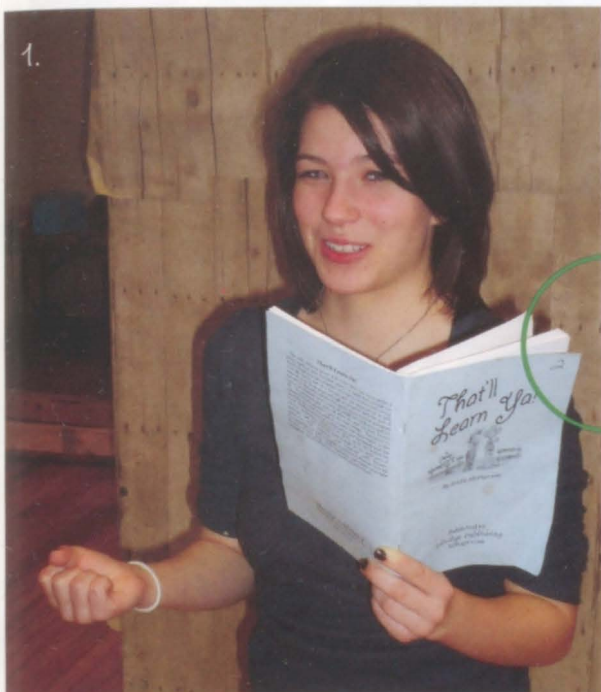
Alyssa Morgan
Kristie Bade



Dalton Franck
Kathy Stuck

Drama Club

1. Sophomore Calli Peterson rehearses a particularly humorous line in play practice after school.
2. Senior Jeramiah Serfling kneels in emotional agony during the one-act play.



The drama club at Northwestern participates in primarily three activities: oral interpretation in the fall, one-act play in the winter, and the all-school play in the spring.

"It is a lot of fun participating in the activities that the drama club provides. I learn how to have more confidence and speak in front of people. It's a great alternative to sports because I am unathletic," sophomore Calli Peterson said.

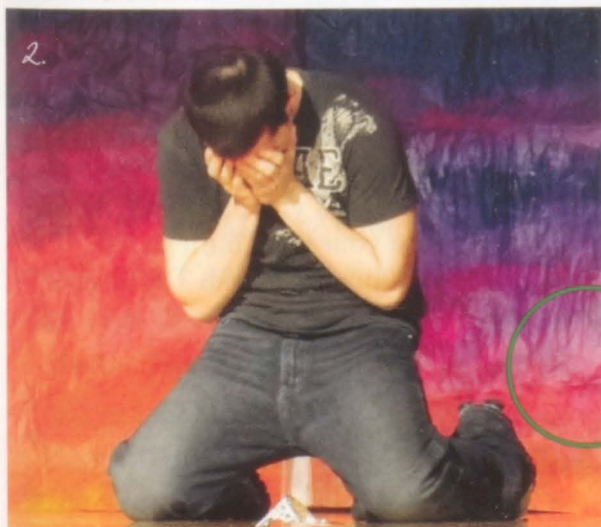
The oral interpretation's readers' theater group qualified for the state competition. The group consisted of seniors Dalton Franck, Elizabeth Leonhardt and Rachel Finley, juniors Kathy Stuck and Annie Lutter and Peterson.

The one-act play performed at the region competition at the Capitol Theatre in Aberdeen but did not advance to the state

competition.

This year, the students performed the spring play, *That'll Learn Ya*, in dinner-theatre style on Friday, April 29.

Mrs. Laura Melius and Mrs. Michelle Stuck served as advisers to this year's drama club students.





1. Junior Haley

Wetzler pushes off her block to begin the 100-meter dash.



2. Sophomore Ashley Clemens passes a runner from Leola-Frederick.

3. Sophomore Silas Franco increases his pace to catch the Roncalli runner.

4. The high school track team comes together for a group photo.

5. Freshman Trevor Rush passes the baton to sophomore Skylar Sorenson.



Which track event is the most difficult?



"The mile because it is way, way too long," sophomore Silas Franco said.



"For me personally, I'd say the two-mile relay because it's an 800 at the beginning of the meet when your legs are tight. At the end, you get this horrible bologna taste in the back of your mouth, and you can barely stand up because your buns burn so bad. It's just horrible," junior Mariah Taylor said.

"The 800-meter run because you have to sprint the whole thing," senior Jeramiah Serfling said.



know your {endurance}

1. Junior Mariah Taylor flies through the air during her long-jump attempt.
2. Senior Josh Clemens runs the 800-meter dash in Groton.



Due to inclement weather, Northwestern's track team started off at a slow pace. The track team only attended nine track meets, including the South Dakota State Track Meet.

"I was very excited when we got second at the region meet. It was our last chance to make it to state, and we did it!" junior Haley Wetzler said.

Fourteen of 21 athletes qualified for the state track meet by meeting specific standards. Freshman Nathan Palmer qualified in the discus; senior Josh Clemens qualified in the 400-meter dash and the 800-meter run.



Sophomore Silas Franco placed second in the 1600-meter run at regions. Two relay teams qualified for state, also. Freshman Delbert Leonhardt, Franco, senior Ethan Steward and Clemens qualified the 3,200-meter relay. The medley relay, consisting of freshman Jacob Heidenreich, senior Michael Smith, Franco

Meets

Al Sahli Indoor @ NSU Barnett Center
March 25

Miller Track Meet @ Miller April 1

Ipswich Track Meet @ Ipswich April 3

Rob Luecke Meet @ Groton April 12

Lake Region Conference @ Ipswich May 3

Ipswich Track Meet @ Ipswich May 7

Miller Track Meet @ Miller May 10

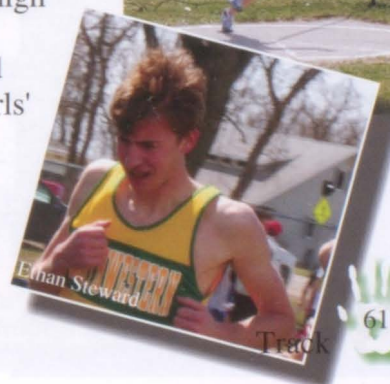
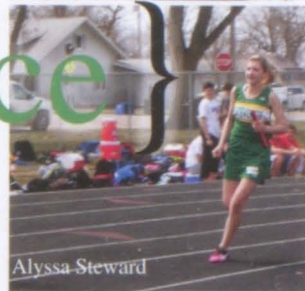
Hayti Last Chance @ Hayti May 13

Region Track Meet @ Groton May 19

State Track Meet @ Sioux Falls May 27

and Clemens, qualified for state. Seniors Casey Bade and Jeramiah Serfling attended the state meet as alternates.

Junior Jussy Tuscherer qualified in high jump, the 400-meter dash and the 800-meter run; junior Mariah Taylor placed second in long jump at regions. The girls' 1600-meter relay, including Taylor, Tuscherer, Wetzler and sophomore Ashley Clemens, placed second at the region meet. Freshman Jeanna Duncan attended the state meet as an alternate.



Alyssa Morgan



Amanda Finley



Logen Lechner

Spring



Senior Ethan Steward receives his diploma from school board member Bobbie Lerew.



Senior Kara Fischbach pins on senior Hilary Frerick's flower before the ceremony.



School board member Bobbie Lerew gives senior Rachel Finley her diploma.



Senior Shaina Jensen accepts her diploma from school board member Bobbie Lerew.



Seniors Josh Clemens, Taylor Beardemph and April Alumbaugh celebrate graduation with a thumbs up.



Class Colors

Hunter Green & White

Class Flower

Asiatic Lily

Class Motto

Go Confidently in the direction of your dreams.

Live the life you have imagined.

Henry David Thoreau



One last time...

The senior class members at Northwestern High School received their diplomas in the commencement exercises held May 15, 2011, in the Northwestern High School gym. Senior class president Logen Lechner welcomed everyone with a short greeting.

Senior Alyssa Morgan spoke first, giving tidbits of information in a speech titled, the "Class of 2011 by the Numbers."

"We've been the the emergency room 72 times, but some of us have never been at all. Someone is making up for that," Morgan said.

Senior Amanda Finley spoke next, assigning an element from the periodic table to every senior, all while wearing safety goggles.

"Fluorine is the most reactive element on the table; like Hilary [Frericks], when it bonds and gets what it wants, it's perfectly content and quite happy!" Finley said.

The NW senior class of 2011 graduated with 23 students.



Josh Clemens gives sister Josie a hug while passing out flowers to his family members.

know your {potential}

Senior Casey Bade gives a hug and flowers to his mother during graduation on May 15, 2011.



Senior Elizabeth Leonhardt smiles at family members before giving them flowers.



Senior Amanda Finley hugs her father during the commencement exercises.



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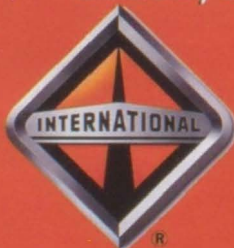
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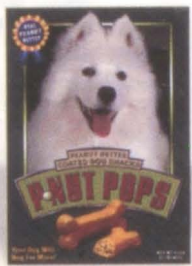
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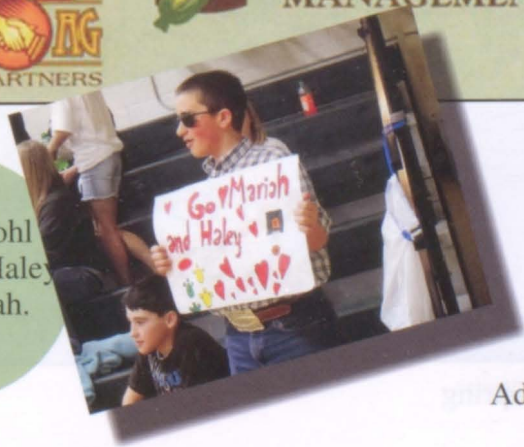
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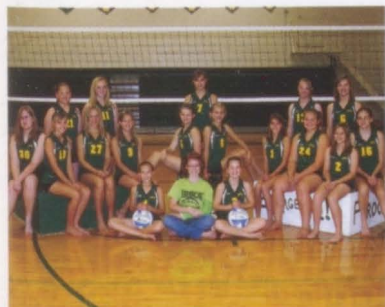
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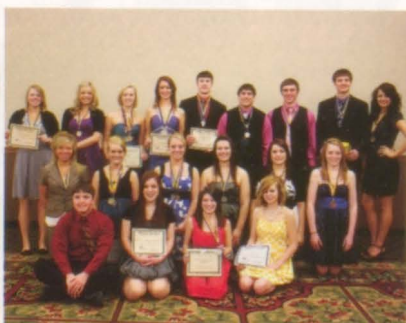
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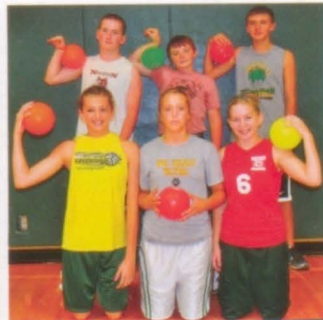
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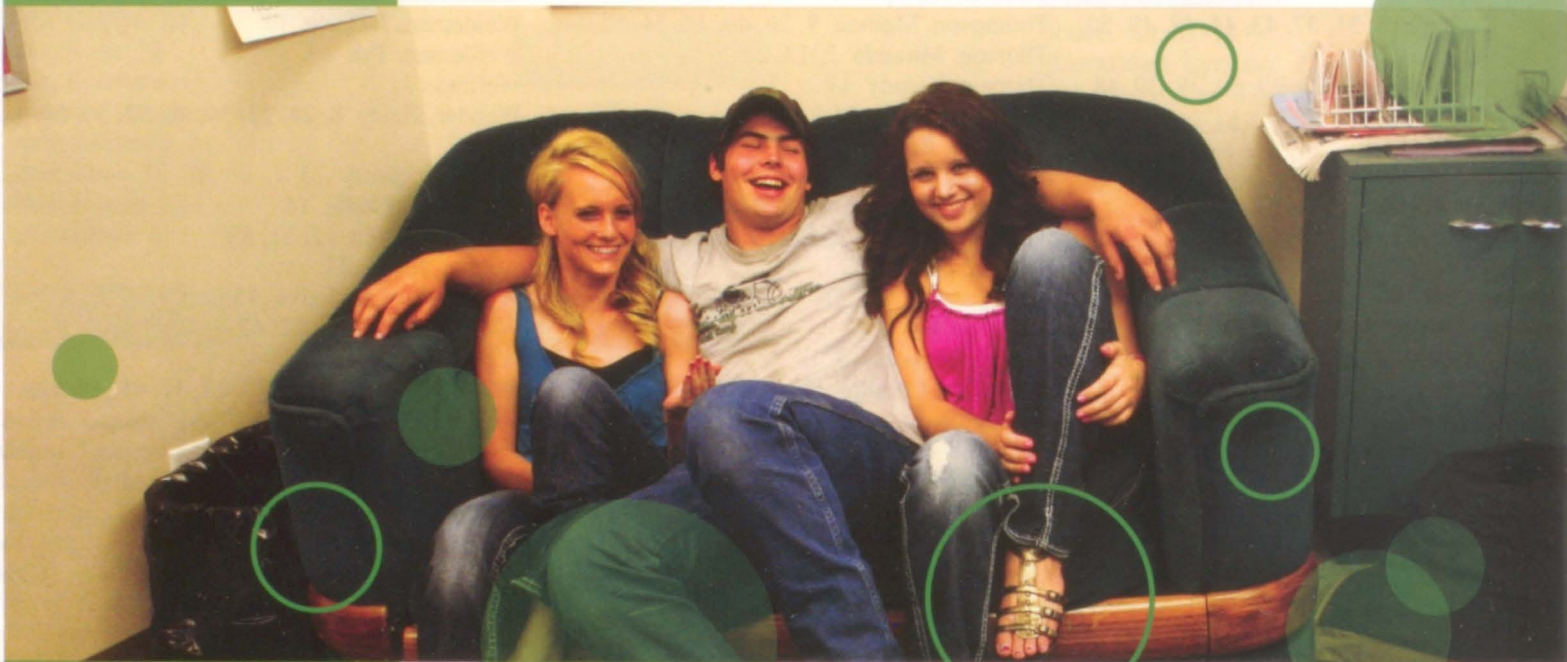


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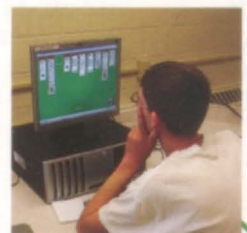
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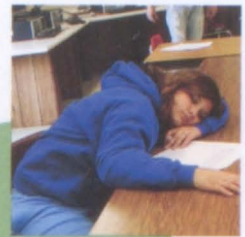
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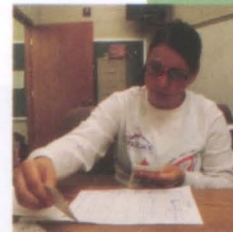
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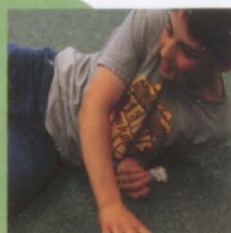
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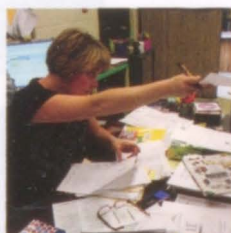
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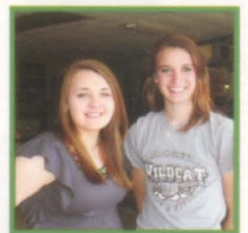
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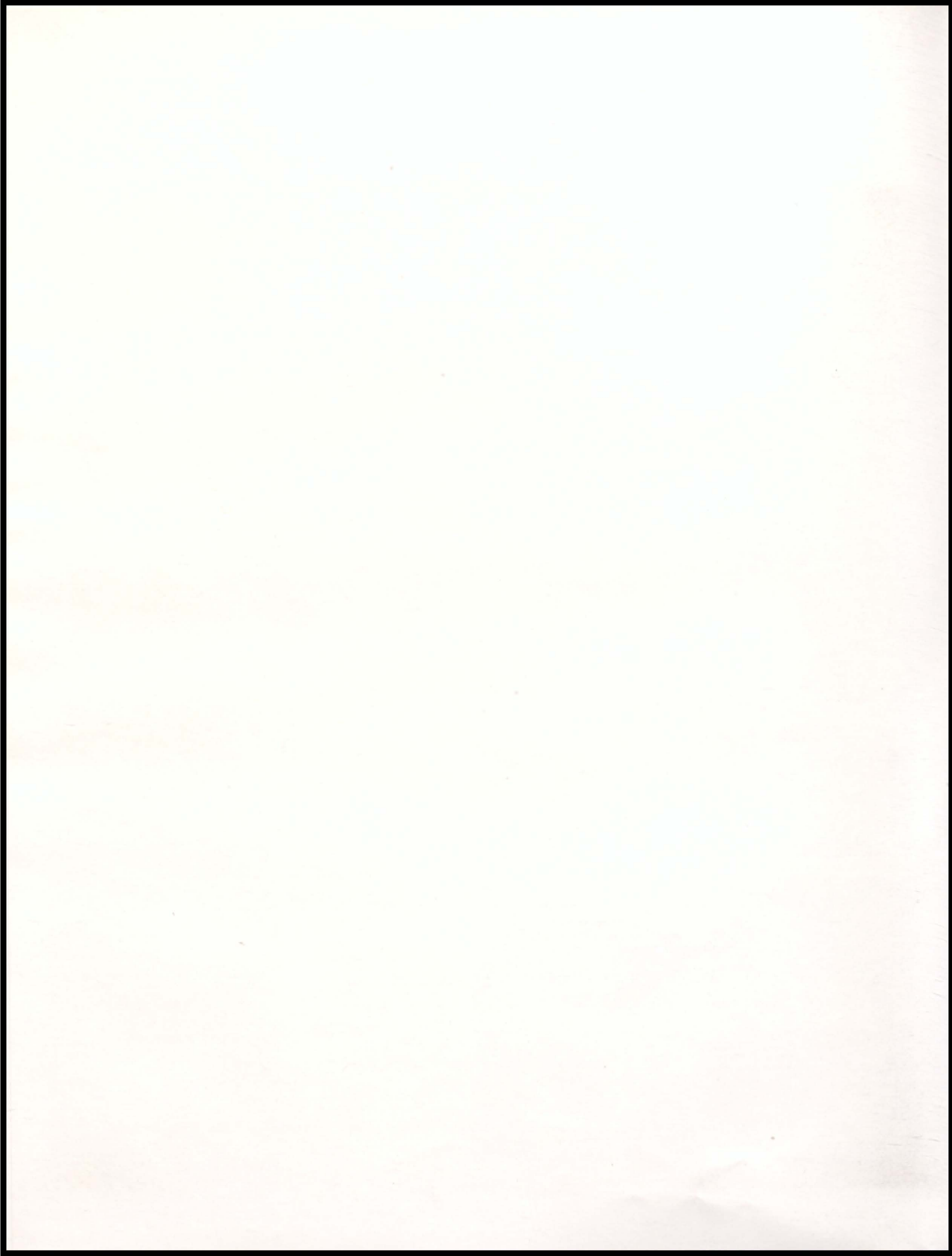


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Alaska Senator Re-elected

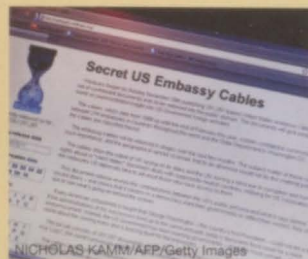
Alaska Senator Lisa Murkowski is re-elected as a write-in candidate.

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President Obama signs the Executive Order on the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics to support education issues in the Hispanic community.



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WikiLeaks/Diplomats

The U.S. government is compromised when Julian Assange's WikiLeaks website publishes sensitive diplomatic cables discussing Pakistan, North Korea, Iran and China.

The Oil Spill

A BP oil rig explosion triggers the biggest oil spill in U.S. history, releasing more than one hundred million gallons into the Gulf of Mexico.

Not long after North Korean leader Kim Jong Il fires at the South Korean island of Yeonpyeong, he names his youngest son as his successor.



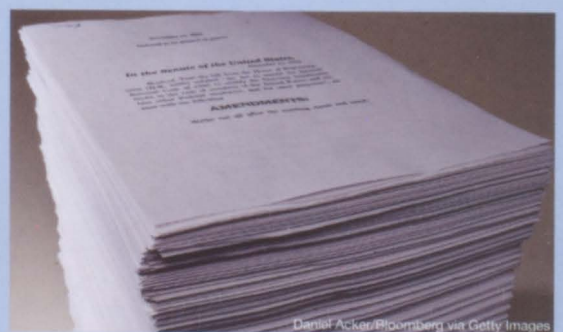
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Individuals and businesses affected by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill submit official claims for costs and damages with the Gulf Coast Claims Facility.



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President Obama signs H.R. 3590, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The 2,400-page law is aimed at improving health care coverage and lowering costs.

Bedbugs

Bedbug infestations, once almost eradicated in the U.S., are a growing nuisance in hotels, stores, office buildings and homes in all 50 states.



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Republicans regain control of the House of Representatives in the midterm elections. Representative John Boehner of Ohio becomes the 61st Speaker of the House.



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Miners Rescued

The world celebrates as 33 miners from Chile's San Jose Copper-Gold mine are safely rescued after spending two months trapped 700 meters underground.

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Happy Meals

A new law aimed at fast food marketing in San Francisco requires that kids' meals meet nutritional standards before they can be sold with toys.

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General Motors

Emerging from bankruptcy, General Motors is profitable again. The company raises \$20.1 billion in the largest global initial public offering (IPO) in U.S. history.

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Egyptian President resigns

After protests in favor of democracy peaked in the streets of Cairo, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak steps down.

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Prince William Engaged

Britain's Prince William and Kate Middleton announce their engagement in November 2010. They plan to marry in 2011.



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Despite attempted Thanksgiving holiday protests, airports across the U.S. implement full body scanners to screen airline passengers for possible weapons and explosives.



Bill O'Leary/The Washington Post/Getty Images

Teen Driver Fatal Crashes Drop

Teen driver fatalities decrease, thanks in part to graduated driver licensing (GDL) programs. Motor vehicle crashes remain the leading cause of death for teens.

To promote healthy family habits, First Lady Michelle Obama appears in multimedia Public Service Announcements with Disney Channel stars for Disney Magic of Healthy Living.



Dorina Svernevik/Disney Channel via Getty Images

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Lead in Reusable Bags

A U.S. senator asks the government to investigate when reusable grocery bags sold by a Florida supermarket chain contain harmful high levels of lead.

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TOMS Shoes

TOMS Shoes, which donates one pair to a child in need for every pair sold, becomes a philanthropic fashion phenomenon.



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A New Element

A new element, discovered in 1996, finally receives its official name: Copernicium. It is named in honor of Copernicus, the Renaissance mathematician and astronomer.

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New Life Form

NASA-funded astrobiology researchers discover a new life form, a bacterium that can use the toxic chemical arsenic as fuel for growing and rebuilding itself.

The Washington Post/Contributor



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NASA's Lunar Crater Observation and Sensing Satellite finds water in a polar crater on the moon. There is far more water than scientists expected.

Fruit Fly

Researchers using fruit flies to study human obesity have found that obese flies have many of the same problems as obese people, including high cholesterol and difficulty regulating insulin.



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Electric Car

Nissan introduces the Leaf, an electric car. According to the official EPA sticker, the car achieves the equivalent of 99 miles per gallon.



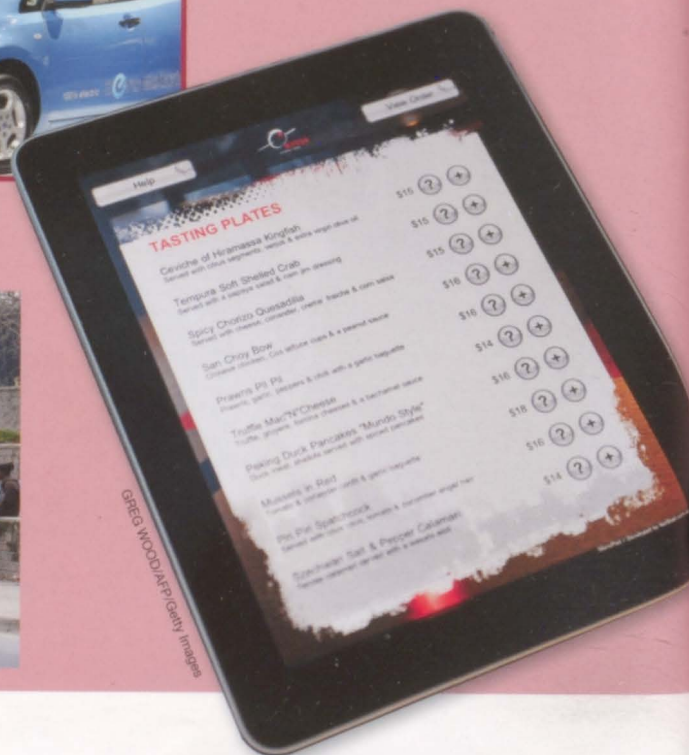
GABRIEL BOUYS/AFP/Getty Images

A Nielsen survey reports that the Apple iPad is the most-wished-for holiday gift among pre-teens. Thirty-one percent of kids want one.

The economic downturn continues to affect school districts across the nation, forcing many schools to close due to budget cuts.



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Comet

NASA's EPOXI Mission shows amazing images of comet Hartley 2, 23 million miles away from Earth, in November 2010.



AP Photo NASA/JPL-Caltech/University of Maryland

The NBA and WNBA promote Vaccines for Teens, an awareness campaign designed to educate teens and parents about the importance of vaccinations.



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Wind Power

Wind turbines become more prevalent. The emergence of "wind farms" signals the beginning of what could be a wind energy boom.

AP Photo/Zina Deretsky, National Science Foundation



Earth's Axis Shifts

An 8.8 magnitude earthquake in Chile shifts our planet's axis by about three inches and shortens the Earth day by 1.26 millionths of a second.

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Fracking

The Environmental Protection Agency investigates how to manage and regulate fracking, a process used to release the natural gas trapped under dense rock.

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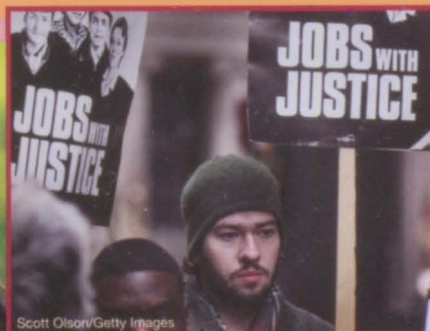


Extinct Salmon Found Alive

The black kokanee, a species of freshwater salmon thought to be extinct for 70 years, is found living in a lake near Japan's Mount Fuji.



Actress and singer Selena Gomez, age 18, serves as the spokesperson for UNICEF's trick-or-treat campaign. She is the organization's youngest goodwill ambassador



Scott Olson/Getty Images

Disappointing Job Growth

Despite optimistic economic news, including better-than-expected holiday shopping numbers, job growth is still slow, according to the Department of Labor.

No more searching your car for quarters! Cities from coast to coast are installing solar-powered, WIFI-enabled parking meters that can accept credit cards.



AP Photo/The Canadian Press, Jonathan Hayward

SPORTS SPORT

Spain Claims the World Cup

Spain defeats The Netherlands to win 2010 FIFA World Cup Championship trophy. Midfielder Andrés Iniesta's goal makes the final score 1 to 0.

GREGORY BOISSY/AFP/Getty Images



Surfer Andy Irons Dies

The surfing community mourns the death of Andy Irons, age 32. The champion surfer had contracted dengue fever, a virus spread by tropical mosquitoes.

ROBYN BECK/AFP/Getty Images



Manny Pacquiao

Manny Pacquiao fights Antonio Margarito to earn the WBC World Super Welterweight title. Pacquiao is also a Congressman in the Philippines.

Peter Read Miller/Sports Illustrated/Getty Images



Lakers Win NBA Finals

Former Laker great Magic Johnson and Kobe Bryant celebrate the LA Lakers' NBA Finals Game 7 win against the Boston Celtics.

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Zenyatta

In the Breeders' Cup Classic at Churchill Downs, thoroughbred champion racehorse Zenyatta ends her 19-race winning streak, losing by a head to Blame.

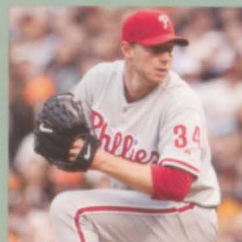
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Quarterback Aaron Rodgers leads the Green Bay Packers to a 31-25 Super Bowl victory over the Pittsburgh Steelers.



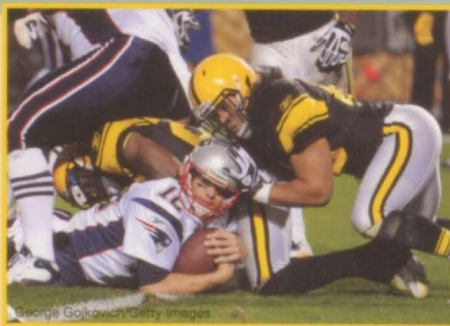
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Cy Young Award

Phillies pitcher Roy Halladay wins the National League Cy Young Award by a unanimous vote, becoming the fifth pitcher to receive the honor in both leagues.

NFL Stresses Safety

The NFL announces that players can be suspended without pay for dangerous hits to an opponent's head. The move is aimed at preventing tackling injuries.



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The San Francisco Giants capture the Commissioner's Trophy by defeating the Texas Rangers 3 to 1 in Game 5 of the World Series.



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Tony Hawk welcomes Olympic gold medalist snowboarder Shaun White to his second annual Stand Up for Skateparks benefit in Las Vegas, Nevada.

SPORTS

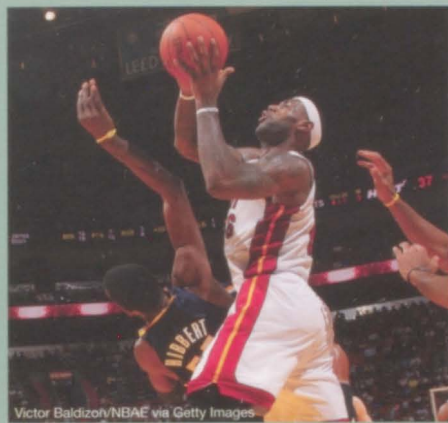
Jonathan Byrd's Hole-in-one

Golfer Jonathan Byrd wins his fourth PGA Tour victory with a hole-in-one on the fourth playoff hole in the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open.

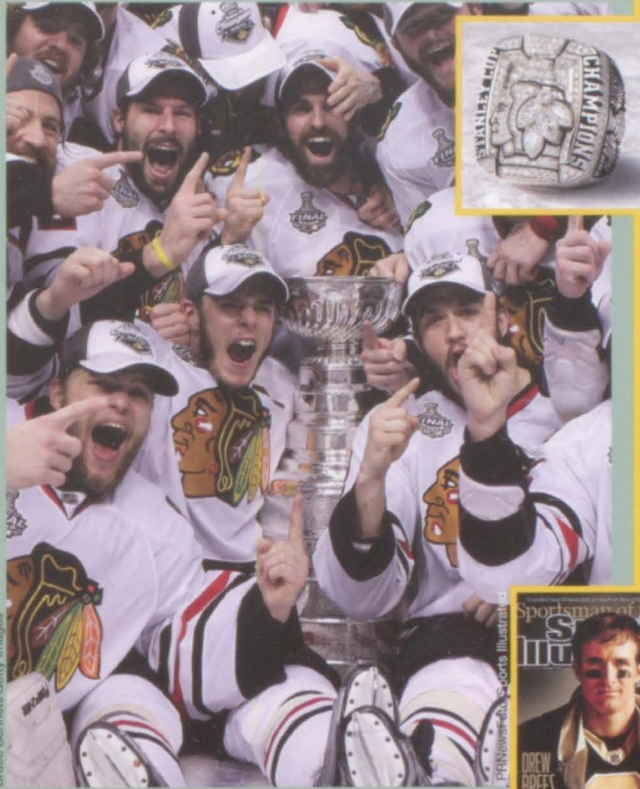


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LeBron James announces via live ESPN special that he is leaving the Cleveland Cavaliers to join the Miami Heat. Fans and commentators condemn the move.



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Blackhawks Take Stanley Cup

The Chicago Blackhawks win their first Stanley Cup since 1961. In Game 6, they defeat the Philadelphia Flyers 4 to 3 in overtime.

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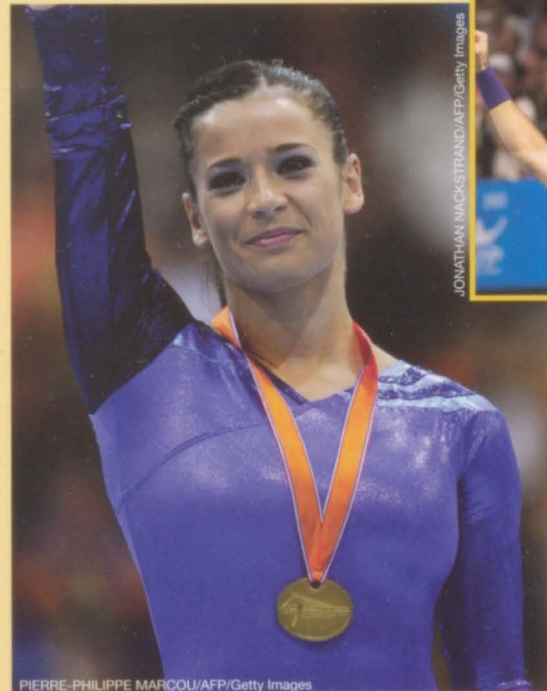
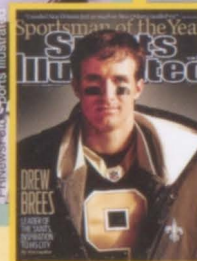


NCAA Volleyball Champs

The Penn State Nittany Lions women's volleyball team sweeps California to take the NCAA title for the fourth year in a row.

Drew Brees Sportsman of the Year

Sports Illustrated presents its 2010 Sportsman of the Year award to New Orleans Saints quarterback, and Super Bowl MVP, Drew Brees.



PIERRE-PHILIPPE MARCOU/AFP/Getty Images

Gymnast Alicia Sacramone takes a hiatus from her college career to take a gold medal for vault at the Artistic Gymnastics World Championships in Rotterdam.



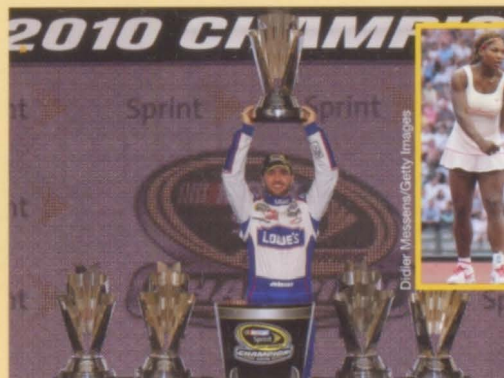
JONATHAN NACKSTRAND/AFP/Getty Images

Federer Ties Sampras Record

Roger Federer catches up to Pete Sampras' record of 64 singles tournament wins by winning the Stockholm Open in Sweden's Royal Tennis Hall.

Michel Cochin/Agence Zoom/Getty Images

Jimmie Johnson drives his #48 Lowe's Chevrolet to his fifth straight NASCAR Sprint Cup championship at Homestead-Miami Speedway.



Chris Trotman/Getty Images for NASCAR



Lindsey Vonn Female Athlete of the Year

The Associated Press names Lindsey Vonn, the Olympic gold medalist skier, as its 2010 Female Athlete of the Year.



Serena Williams Wins Her Fourth Wimbledon

Tennis champion Serena Williams captures her fourth ladies' singles title at Wimbledon without losing a single set in the entire tournament.

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Katy Perry

Katy Perry's headline-grabbing wedding to Russell Brand and her controversial *Sesame Street* appearance overshadow the release of her new album, *Teenage Dream*.

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My Chemical Romance

"Na Na Na," by My Chemical Romance, is a popular punk anthem. It's included in the Rocktober track pack for *Guitar Hero: Warriors of Rock*.

Rick Diamond/Getty Images



Francesca Battistelli

Genre-spanning Christian artist Francesca Battistelli releases a new album, *Hundred More Years*. The first single is "This Is the Stuff."



Jackie Evancho

Jackie Evancho, the 10-year-old soprano who came to fame on *America's Got Talent*, releases a bestselling holiday CD/DVD titled *O Holy Night*.

Mike Coppola/FilmMagic



Lady Antebellum

Country supergroup Lady Antebellum took home five Grammy awards, including Song of the Year and Record of the Year.

Kevin Mazur/TCA 2010/WireImage



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Bobby Ray Simmons, also known as B.o.B., sees his second single, "Airplanes," soar to the top of the charts in the U.S. and the U.K.



Brigitte Engl/Redferns

Travi McCoy

Travi McCoy, of Gym Class Heroes, releases his first solo album. The lead single, "Billionaire," goes double platinum and tops the U.S. and U.K. charts.

Taylor Swift

Taylor Swift's *Speak Now* is the first release by a female artist since Britney Spears to sell more than 1 million copies in its first week.



Brigitte Engl/Redferns

Miranda Lambert receives a record-breaking nine CMA nominations. She wins three trophies, including Album of the Year for *Revolution* and Female Vocalist of the Year.



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Brad Paisley takes home the Country Music - Favorite Male Artist award from the American Music Awards and the CMA Entertainer of the Year Award.

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Usher

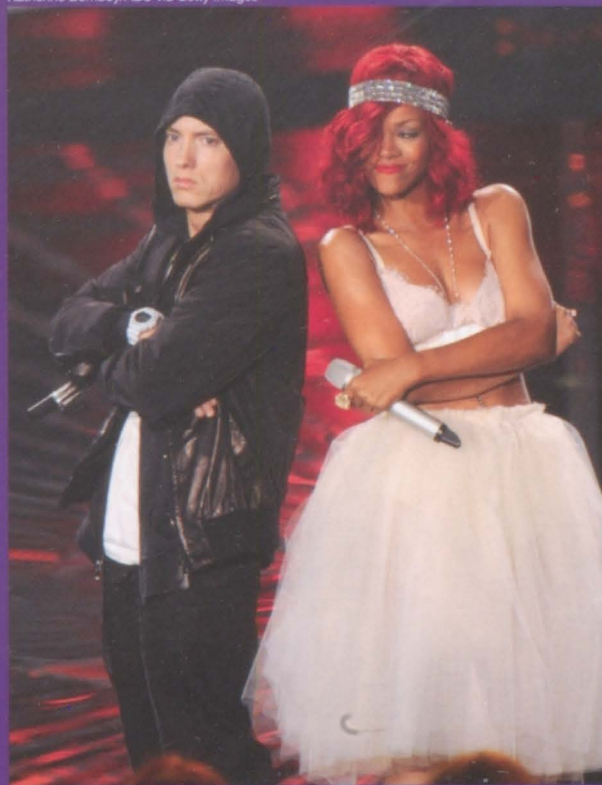
Usher performs at the American Music Awards show and takes home the awards for Male Soul/R&B artist and Favorite Soul/R&B album.

A surprise comeback gave Train the Grammy for Pop Performance by a Duo or Group for "Hey Soul Sister."



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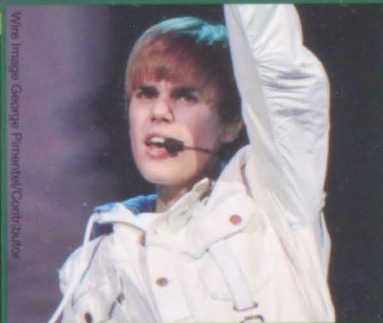
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Lady Gaga took home two Grammy awards for Female Pop Vocal Performance and Pop Vocal Album.



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Justin Bieber

Justin Bieber is named Artist of the Year at the American Music Awards. At age 16, he is the youngest recipient of this top honor.

Sugarland wins the CMA Vocal Duo of the Year Award and releases "Stuck Like Glue," the first single from their album, *The Incredible Machine*.



Mike Coppola/Getty Images

Eminem

Eminem didn't crack a smile when he expressed his gratitude for winning the Grammy for Rap Solo Performance.

Jemal Countess/Getty Images



Ke\$ha

Ke\$ha wins the Best New Act award at the MTV Europe Music Awards and ends the year with three songs on Billboard's Hot 100.

Marc Serota/Getty Images



Enrique Iglesias

Everybody likes "I Like It," the first release from *Euphoria*, Enrique Iglesias's bilingual album. The song tops the charts in the U.S., Canada and Australia.

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Carrie Underwood

Carrie Underwood wows the American Music Awards. Her third studio album, *Play On*, garners the Country Music - Favorite Album award.

Frank Micelotta/Getty Images



Black Eyed Peas

The Black Eyed Peas release a new album, *The Beginning*, and book an appearance at the halftime show of Super Bowl XLV.

ENTERTAINMENT

Google TV

Google CEO Eric Schmidt gives a talk about how Google TV will unite web surfing with channel surfing.



Boom Box

This is definitely not your father's boom box. The latest MP3 technology combined with 1980s styling make this machine a must for modern parties.

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Call of Duty: Black Ops

Black Ops, the seventh installment in the *Call of Duty* game series, sells a record-breaking 7 million copies in the first 24 hours of its release.



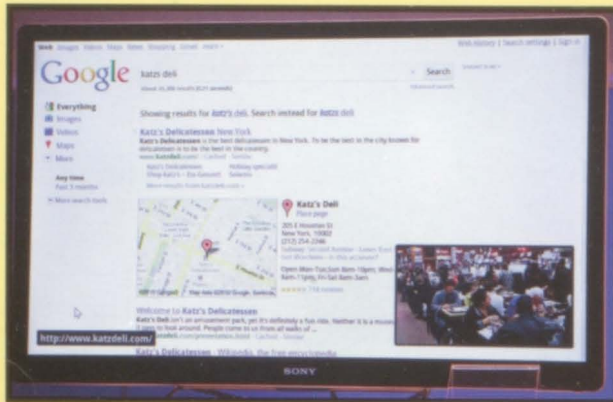
Bean Bag Chairs

A new generation adopts the retro bean bag chair. This updated classic is ideal for watching television, playing games, reading and keeping up with social media.



The Lost Hero

In *The Lost Hero*, the sequel to his *Percy Jackson & the Olympians* series, author Rick Riordan introduces three new characters: Jason, Piper and Leo.



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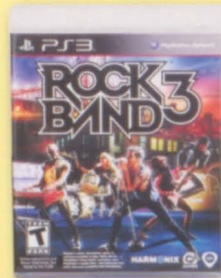
A new, motion-sensing controller debuts for the PlayStation 3 console. The Move is a Bluetooth wireless wand. Players can use up to four at once.



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Suzanne Collins publishes *Mockingjay*, the third and final book in her popular science fiction series, *The Hunger Games* trilogy.

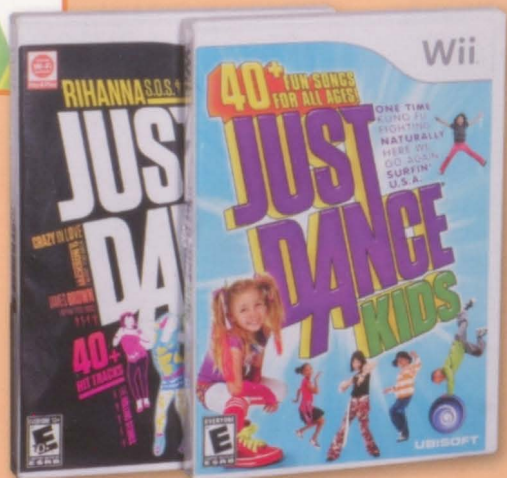


Rock Band 3

Featuring a new keyboard and 83 songs, *Rock Band 3* is released worldwide. Its Pro mode mimics the experience of playing real instruments.

Xbox Kinect

You don't need a controller to play the newest technology games. The Xbox Kinect features a sensor that can read motion, faces and voices.



Younger kids get their very own dance video game. *Just Dance Kids* challenges Wii players to master more than 40 dances led by real kids.

TELEVISION

Cake Boss

Members of the Valastro family, of Carlo's Bake Shop in Hoboken, become popular reality television stars in *Cake Boss* on TLC.

Mike Stobe/Getty Images for New York Red Bull



The cast of *Jersey Shore* appears on *Barbara Walters Presents: The 10 Most Fascinating People of 2010*.



Donna Svennevik/ABC via Getty Images

Team Coco rejoices as Conan O'Brien returns to late night television. Conan uses Twitter and YouTube to announce the premiere of *Conan* on TBS.

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Minute to Win It, starring Guy Fieri, returns to NBC for a second season of fast-paced challenges and cash awards of up to \$1 million.

Kevin Winter/Getty Images



Duffy-Marie Arnout/WireImage



Toby Canham/Getty Images



Theo Wargo/WireImage for New York Post

Life Imitates Glee

Gleeks are being heard! The popularity of *Glee* prompts a resurgence of glee clubs in middle schools, high schools and colleges across the country.

American Idol

American Idol announces that Jennifer Lopez and Aerosmith's Steven Tyler will join Randy Jackson to judge a new crop of aspiring singers for Season 10.

Bob D'Amico/ABC via Getty Images



No Ordinary Family

No Ordinary Family is a hit ABC drama. After the Powell family survives a South American plane crash, they develop new superpowers — and new enemies.

Betty White

The Associated Press names Betty White, age 88, as its Entertainer of the Year. She poses for a calendar to raise money for animal charities.

Neil Jacobs/CBS via Getty Images



Hawaii Five-O

An iconic, 1960s crime drama returns with a cool, new cast. *Hawaii Five-O* chronicles the adventures of an elite police unit in paradise.

Andrew H. Walker/Getty Images



Outsourced

A call center for an American company is recently outsourced to India in the NBC comedy hit *Outsourced*.

Aria, Hanna, Emily and Spencer are back for another season of mystery, intrigue and secrets on the ABC suspense drama, *Pretty Little Liars*.



Richard Harbaugh/ABC Family via Getty Images

MOVIES MOVIES

The Social Network

In *The Social Network*, Jesse Eisenberg stars as Facebook creator Mark Zuckerberg, the brilliant and abrasive Harvard misfit who revolutionized social media.



Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps

Shia LeBeouf stars as a young trader who tangles with Gordon Gekko, a disgraced financier played by Michael Douglas, in *Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps*.



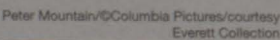
Secretariat

Secretariat, an acclaimed feature film, depicts the true story of a legendary racehorse, the 1973 winner of the Triple Crown of thoroughbred racing.



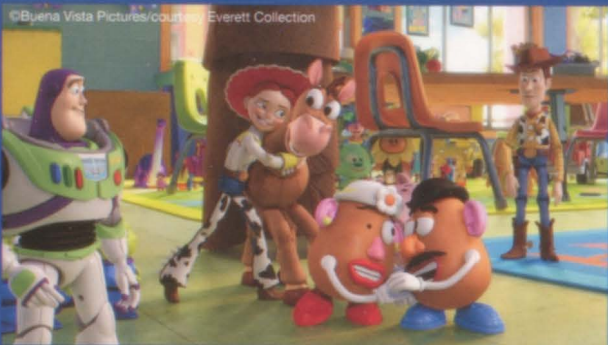
True Grit

True Grit, a mythic Western adventure story, earns 10 Academy Award nominations including Best Picture.



The Tourist

Angelina Jolie is a woman of mystery and Johnny Depp is an ordinary tourist. Or is he? The plot thickens in *The Tourist*.

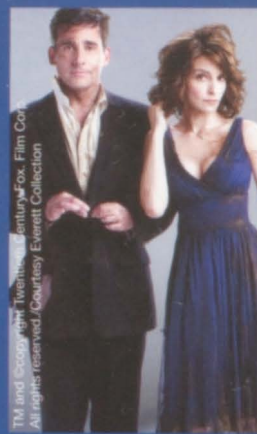


Leonardo DiCaprio

Leonardo DiCaprio is the world's top-grossing movie star. His 2010 releases earn a combined \$1.1 billion at the box office.



Loyal fans line up for midnight screenings of *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows – Part 1*. The movie makes \$330 million during its first weekend.



Date Night

A case of mistaken identity spirals out of control when a suburban couple steals someone else's restaurant reservation in the action comedy *Date Night*.

What happens to toys once their owners go to college? In *Toy Story 3*, Woody and Buzz Lightyear find new friends and face new challenges.



How Do You Know

Reese Witherspoon tries to decide between Paul Rudd and Owen Wilson in *How Do You Know*, a romantic comedy about a love triangle.

David James/Columbia Pictures/courtesy Everett Collection



Amanda Seyfried stars as the title character in *Red Riding Hood*, a romantic horror tale about a medieval village terrorized by a werewolf.

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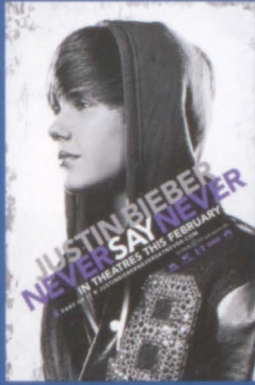
MOVIES MOVIES

Justin Bieber

Teen superstar Justin Bieber hits the big screen with the biopic concert film *Never Say Never*.

Based on the true story of King George VI, *The King's Speech* earns 12 Academy Award nominations.

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Iron Man 2

Robert Downey, Jr. returns as the inventor-superhero Tony Stark in *Iron Man 2*, a long-awaited sequel featuring storylines adapted from Marvel Comics.

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Life As We Know It

An orphaned baby goddaughter inspires Katherine Heigl and Josh Duhamel to set their differences aside in *Life As We Know It*, a romantic comedy.

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Megamind

When a cartoon super-villain defeats his nemesis, he loses his will to be evil. Will Ferrell lends his voice to the reluctant hero of *Megamind*.

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The Crazies

After a mysterious toxin enters the water supply of an Iowa town, many residents go insane in *The Crazies*, a sci-fi horror flick.

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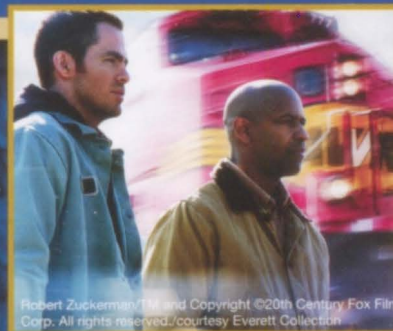
The Chronicles of Narnia

Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader is a 3D feature film adaptation of the third book in the C.S. Lewis fantasy series.

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The sequel to a science-fiction thriller from 1982, *Tron: Legacy* follows the adventure of a young man who investigates his father's mysterious disappearance.



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Unstoppable

A runaway train is on a collision course with disaster, unless Denzel Washington and Chris Pine can save the day in the suspenseful thriller, *Unstoppable*.

Mysterious "burglaries" in a family home turn out to be something far more sinister in *Paranormal Activity 2*, the sequel to a popular horror film.



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TRENDS TREND

Plaid Shirt

The boy-style plaid flannel shirt is a popular look for both guys and girls. Just add a pair of perfectly worn jeans.

Tim Umphrey/Getty Images



Top Siders

From popped collars to Top Siders, prep style endures. *True Prep* shows a new generation how it's done and what it means.



Sequins

Shiny, sparkly sequins become a major fashion trend when Zoe Kravitz and runway models are spotted wearing them on hats, dresses and tops.



Hats

Self-expression is always in fashion and the right hat makes it easy to add panache (and hide a bad hair day). All you need is a cute fedora or a jaunty newsboy cap.



Military Jacket

There's nothing olive drab about this trend. Military jackets are snappy, sleek and chic — a far cry from the oversized Army surplus look of yesteryear.



Energy Drinks

Energy drinks are the beverage of choice among sleep-deprived students, despite concerns that they contain unhealthy levels of sugar and caffeine.

Pillow Pets

Now it's a stuffed animal. And now it's a pillow. Puffy, popular PillowPets™ may be the snuggliest, softest trend of the year.



Dentists report that more and more teens are asking about teeth bleaching procedures, especially for photo-op occasions like proms or sweet sixteen parties.

Flip Flops

Parents and foot doctors hate them but the flip-flop fad is a year-round phenomenon for guys and girls alike (except during snowstorms).



Gilbert Carrasquillo/Getty Images



Dr. Dre's Monster Beats are state-of-the-art headphones that make a strong, street-smart fashion statement. They look cool. And they sound even cooler.

Mineral Makeup

Beauty mavens agree: mineral makeup rocks. These sheer, lightweight, powdery formulas are the smart alternative to goopy, pore-clogging foundations.



Get the look with a classic polo, distressed skinny jeans and leather belt with your favorite trends.



S TRENDS

Vera Bradley Bags

Colorful, quilted Vera Bradley bags are the epitome of sorority sister style. Devotees mix and match Vera messenger bags, clutches, totes and wallets.



The rugged, battle-tested G-Shock watch is the preferred timepiece of snowboarders, skateboarders, surfers and other extreme sports fans

Mark Gail/The Washington Post via Getty Images

Hippie style is hip once more. Tie-dyed effects on shirts and dresses appear on runways, beaches and boardwalks.



Bill Hogan/Chicago Tribune/MCT via Getty Images



Everybody needs an afternoon snack but nobody has time for milk and cookies. The newest granola bars deliver easy energy between lunch and practice.



Silly Bandz

The bandz are banned! Some schools decide that Silly Bandz — the popular silicone rubber bracelets — are too distracting for the classroom.

The mountaineer look comes to the metropolis, as high-performance outdoor apparel makes a comfortable, cold-weather fashion statement.



Girls Outfit

Go for an edgy, urban look in these American Rag Twill Skinny Cargos — perfectly paired with a belted Cowl neck sweater!



Big Scarves

Long, flowing scarves become a year-round trend. This must-have accessory is the easiest way to add color and interest to casual outfits.



Monkey Slippers

It's a toy. It's a slipper. It's a fun fashion trend. Sock monkey slippers are popular in college dorms and at slumber parties.



Long Necklaces

Long, statement necklaces are trend-right. Gossip girls look luxe with Tiffany-style trinkets. Layered, chunky, vintage baubles create an alt-rock, art school vibe.

Over the Knee Boots

Boots go to great lengths. Over-the-knee styles are seen everywhere from runways to red carpets. Trendsetters wear them with short skirts or slim leggings.



LIFESTYLE LIFE

Oprah's Pledge

Oprah Winfrey takes on dangerous distracted driving with her No Phone Zone campaign, where celebrities and civilians pledge not to phone or text while driving.

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Flintstones Turn 50

The Flintstones celebrate a milestone as the modern Stone Age family turns 50 on September 30, 2010. A special Google Doodle marks the occasion.

Top 10 Web Searches

The BP oil spill was the top topic of 2010, according to Yahoo! Here are the year's top 10 search terms:

1. BP Oil Spill
2. World Cup
3. Miley Cyrus
4. Kim Kardashian
5. Lady Gaga
6. iPhone
7. Megan Fox
8. Justin Bieber
9. American Idol
10. Britney Spears

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WiMAX 4G Technology

High-speed broadband devices are on the verge of multi-channel high-definition TV broadcasting thanks to emerging WiMAX 4G technology that improves image and data capabilities.

Mark Zuckerberg is Person of the Year

Old media acknowledges the power of new media when TIME names Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg as its Person of the Year for 2010.



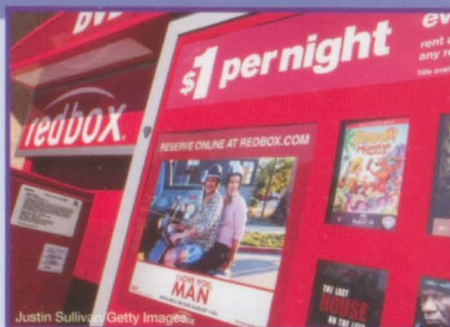
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Redbox

Redbox kiosks serve as conveniently located vending machines for DVDs and video games. Just pick a flick and swipe your credit card.



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You can buy anything from puppies to Pontiacs on Facebook's Marketplace app, which rivals Craigslist as the classified section of the social media generation.

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3D leaps from the movie studios into the palm of your hand. Panasonic launches the first consumer video camera that can record tridimensional images.

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Smartphones become faster, cheaper and more addictive than ever for everyone who loves to text, surf and maybe even talk once in a while.



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Flat Screens

Consumers are snapping up great deals on flat screen TVs as prices continue to drop and supply begins to outpace demand.

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Disgruntled passengers fight over space in the overhead bins as most airlines institute baggage fees ranging from \$15 to \$25 per bag per flight.



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