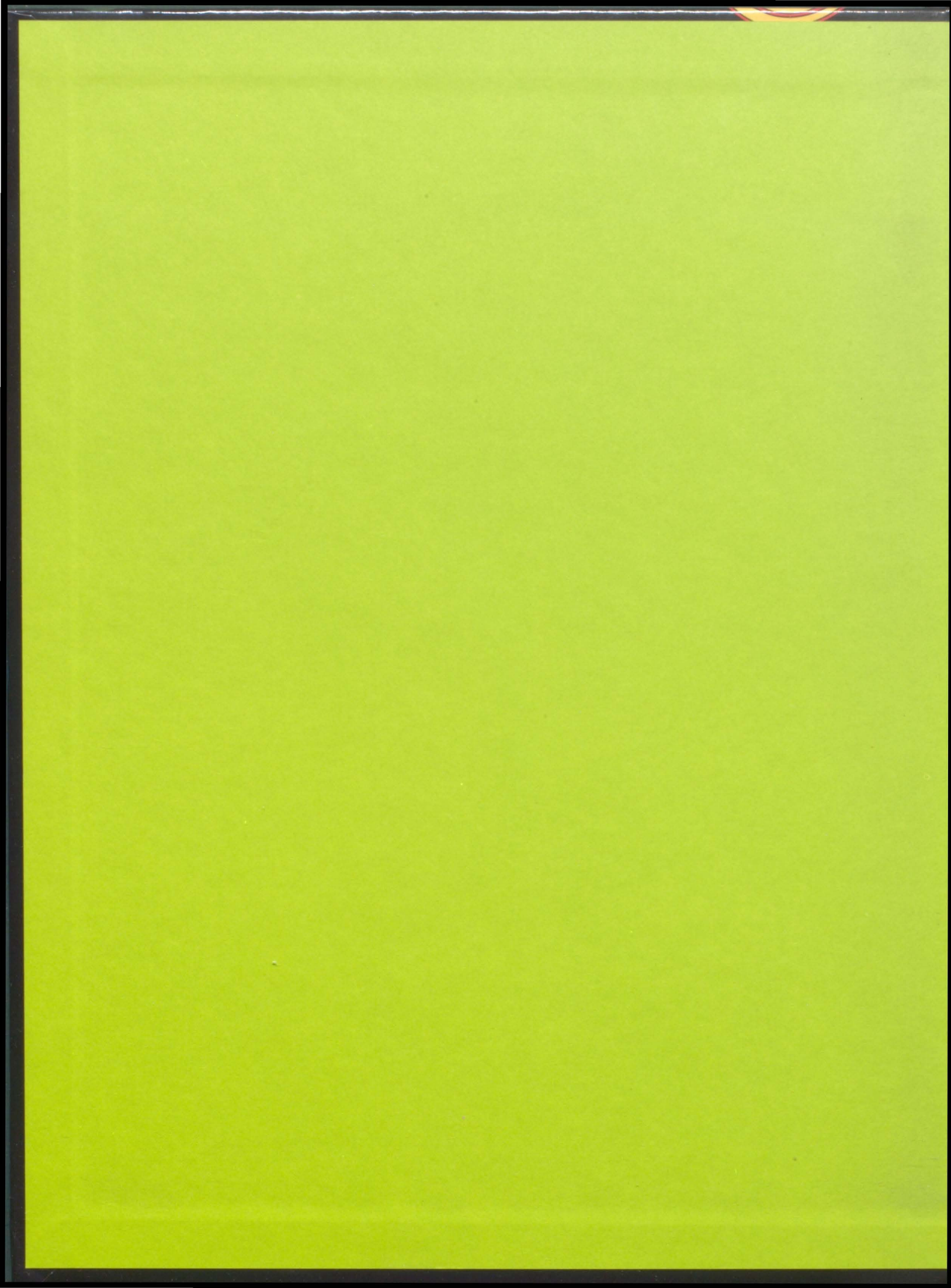
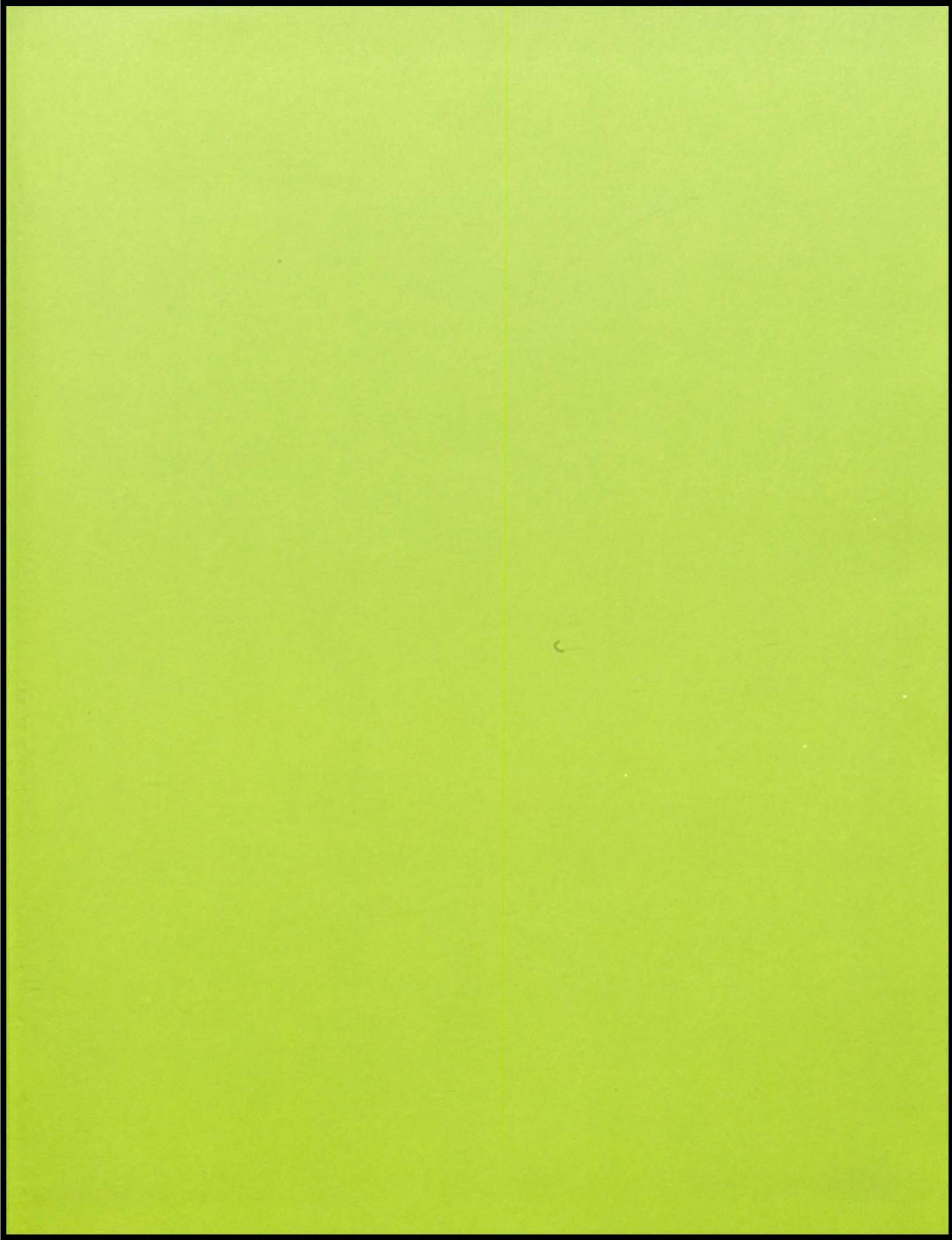


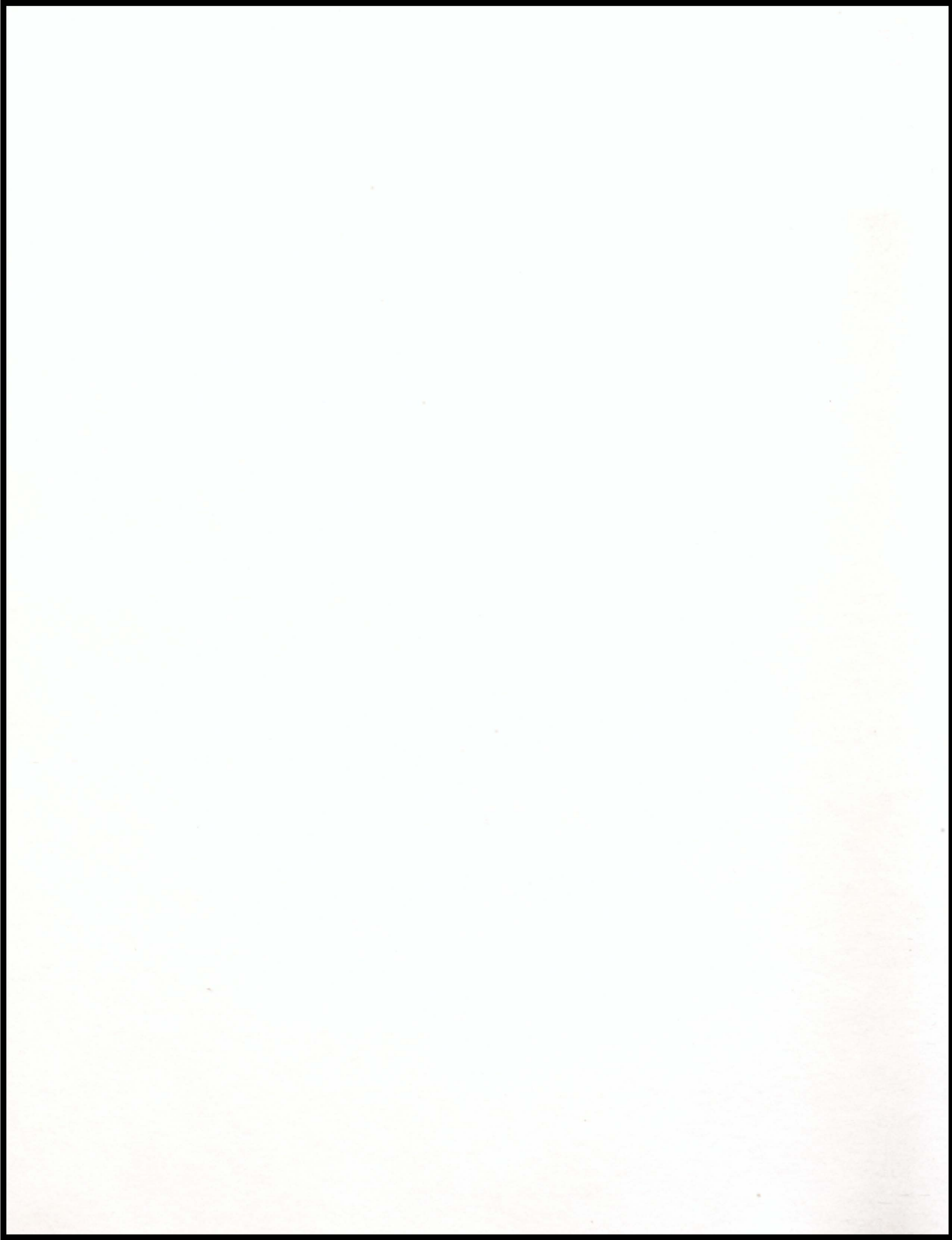


2012

Go GREEN







1) Members of the fourth-grade class excitedly walk through the homecoming parade. 2) Junior high students enthusiastically celebrate their win in the dodgeball tournament. 3) Fans at the State B Volleyball Championship cheer loudly as Northwestern scores the game-winning point. 4) Mr. Scott Boone, Mr. Wade Rozell and Mr. Chris Osborn predict the Wildcats' future. 5) Sophomores Matthew Fischbach, Delbert Leonhardt, Tyler Carda, Nicholas Wood and Jacob Heidenreich start a cheer at the District 2B Volleyball Championship.



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# GO GREEN



*"All of the classes are really fun, and I like the teachers, too!"* D. Rush, 4

**People**  
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*"I like all the spirit, we always have really good spirit!"* H. Boekelheide, 4

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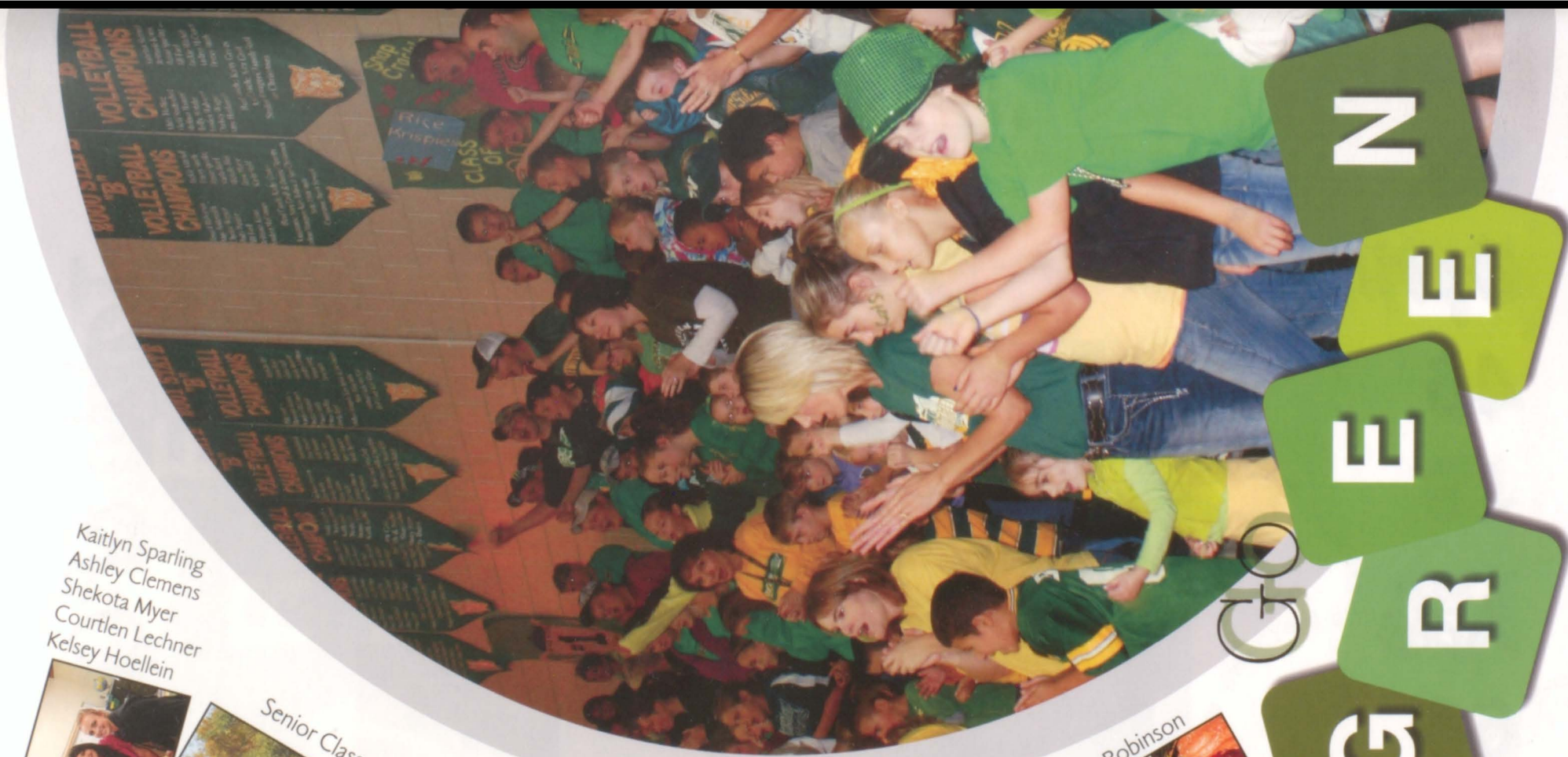
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"I love how great all of the athletic teams and programs are."



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Kelsey Hoellein

Senior Class

Zechariah Clemens  
Dalton Peterson

Abby Fischbach  
Cameron Bohl  
Julia Sparling  
Moira Duncan

Miranda Thorson

Frakeithus Robinson





# [People]

**N**orthwestern students have a lengthy history of excelling in all academic, athletic and artistic areas through sports, drama, band and everyday classes. This year was no different. Throughout the year, records were broken, standards were risen and nothing but the best was expected. In all areas, students found unyielding support from the community and invaluable assistance from the faculty. Through the resources at school and the wealth of personalities and talents, everyone in the building strived to be the best. Individuals they could be. The students worked meticulously and found unlimited ways to Go Green.

Shay Clemensen  
Catarina Oliveira



White Team



Talley Sparling



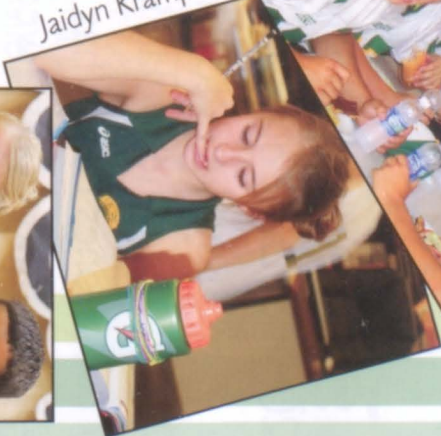
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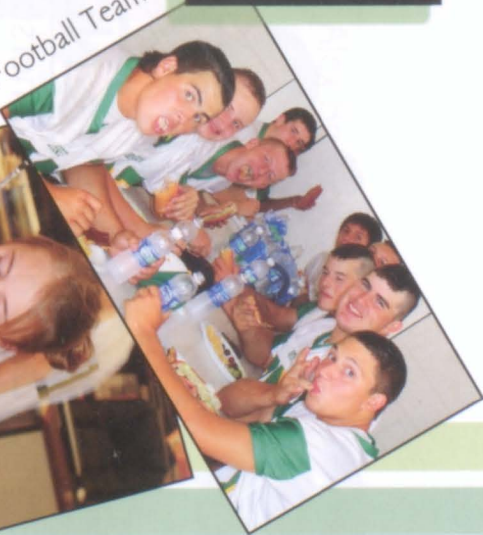
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Football Team



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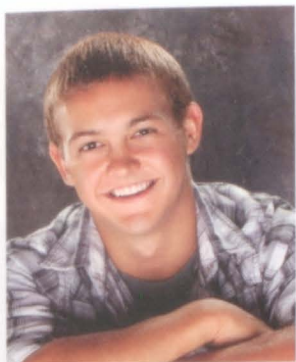
## Class of 2012

### Seniors by the Numbers

- 620 times **Laine** diagnosed herself with a disease.
- 52 miles **Jussy** drives to school and back.
- 47 homeruns **Shelby** had in 7 seasons of softball.
- 27 cell phones **Logan** has had.
- 25 hours **Ruth** works a week at the nursing home.
- 22 pairs of jeans **Gabby** owns.
- 18 months younger **Laken** is than Trevor.
- 16 number of cowboy boots **Kathy** owns.
- 15.5 age when **Haley** lost her last baby tooth.
- 15 number of nieces and nephews **Trevor** has.
- 14 dance recitals in which **Maddy** has performed.
- 12 years **Mariah** took piano lessons.
- 10 days **Alex** missed school to snowmobile.
- 9 oral interp events in which **Annie** has competed.
- 8 number of rabies shots **Katrina** had to get.
- 6 times **Casey** transferred schools.
- 4 colored shirts **Jared** owns.
- 3 months **Hunter** sported his mullet.
- 2 pageants in which **Jenny** has participated.
- 18,200 hours we spent in school.
- 2,275 days spent in school.
- 13 girls in the class.
- 6 boys in the class.



Which teacher will you miss the most next year and why?



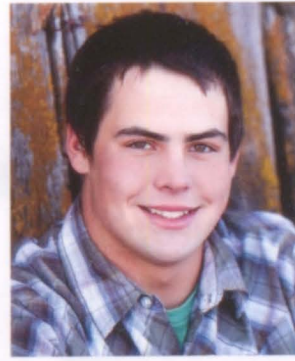
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Logan Brown  
Jared Fischer  
Katrina Frericks



Laken Frericks  
Casey Kulm  
Jennifer Lefforge  
Adrianna Lutter  
Laine Mielke



Gabrielle Morgan  
Shelby Peterson  
Ruth Phillips  
Madison Smith  
Kathleen Stuck



Mariah Taylor  
Trevor Toennies  
Jussy Tuscherer  
Haley Wetzler  
Hunter Wood



"I'll miss Mr. Boone the most because he always has an interesting story to tell," Jennifer Lefforge said.



"Mr. Sauerwein because I won't have anyone to watch the horse races with anymore," Casey Kulm said.

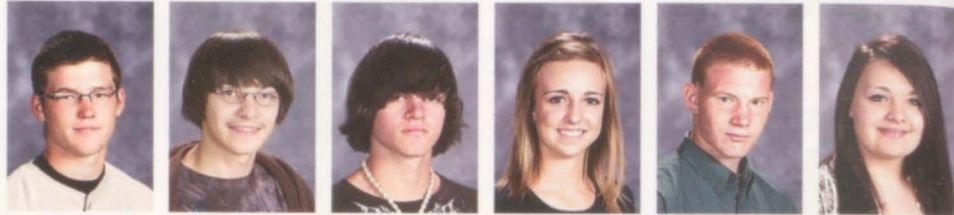
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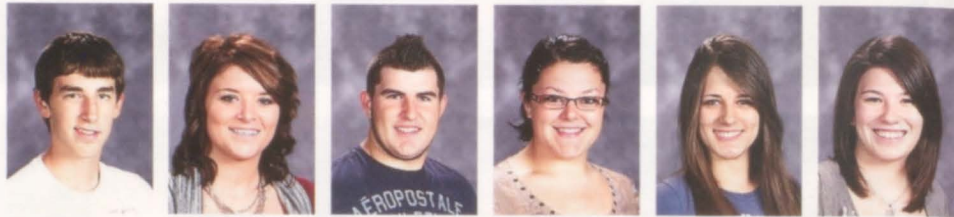
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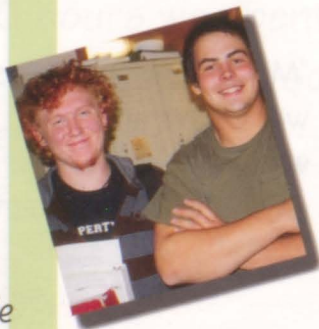
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Lane Myer  
Shekota Myer  
Catarina Oliveira  
Calli Peterson



Stanton Roach  
Trevor Rush  
Aaron Schultz  
Kaitlyn Sparling  
Melissa Thompson  
Warren Walter



Which senior will you miss the most?



"Hunter, because I won't get any more free rides," junior Warren Walter said.



"Laine, because then we can't make fun of her anymore!" junior Jake Groft said.

# Sophomores

## CLASS OF 2014



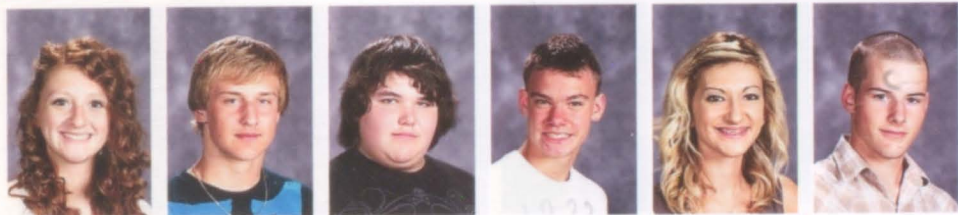
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Tyler Carda  
Terrance Circle Bear



Jeanna Duncan  
Matthew Fischbach  
Kalen Frericks  
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Madison Hahler



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Donna Harmon  
Jacob Heidenreich  
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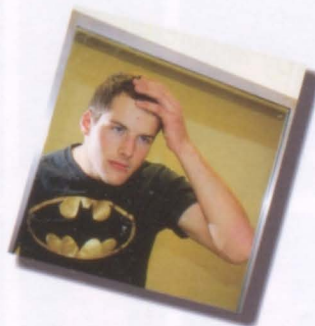


Paige Metzinger  
Nathan Palmer  
Bryce Roe  
Skylar Sorenson  
Alyssa Steward  
Nicholas Wood



"Toothpicks, because when you have braces they come in super-duper handy, especially when you eat corn," sophomore Nathan Frericks said.

What is the best thing ever invented?



"Anti-balding cream," sophomore Nicholas Wood said.

# Freshmen

## Class of 2015

Jordan Ashalintubbi  
Sage Binger  
DonShay Dillard



Zachary Duncan  
Tanner Dvorak  
Haley Grandpre  
Hans Leonhardt  
Christine Morgan  
Andrew Myers



Katie Myers  
Hannah Palmer  
Jordon Peterson  
Tessa Rush  
Halle Sieve  
Corbin Smith



Julia Sparling  
Kennedi Sparling  
Carolina Spielman  
Blake Toennies  
Doris Wise  
Colton Zens



### What's your most embarrassing moment?



"When I was run over by a trailer at one of our homecoming parades!" freshman Doris Wise said.



"Going into the girls' restroom for a whole year at Cresbard because my uncle Trevor told me it was the boys' bathroom," freshman Blake Toennies said.

# Eighth 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 Genzler  
Isaac Groft  
Wyatt Hahler  
Sean Hauck  
Elizabeth Heidenreich  
Kaylee Hoellein



Cody Lefforge  
Hunter Lerew  
Dylan Miles  
Nolan Peterson  
Mark Phillips  
Andrea Rausch



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

# Seventh Grade

## Class of 2017



Derek Boekelheide  
Josephyne Clemens  
Darby Duncan  
Samantha Hagebock  
Alexandria Johnson  
Kyler Johnson



Andrew Lefforge  
Matthew Metzinger  
Klaryssa Schnoor  
Dawson Smith  
Chelsea Sorenson  
Austen Wiman

If you were a teacher, and your students were misbehaving, how would you punish them?



"I would say they couldn't eat for a week," fifth-grader Jarret Haven said.

# Sixth Grade

## CLASS OF 2018

Isaac Bauer  
Tucker Bohl  
Tyler Braun  
Mackenzie Engels  
Wyatt Erickson  
Jedd Groft



Peyton Groft  
Megan Heidenreich  
Ashley Kragelund  
Jaidyn Kramp  
Joseph Lutter  
Declan Osborne



Austin Peterson  
Evy Peterson  
Addison Sparling  
Kane Stuck  
Sadie Vander Wal  
Darien Watson



# Fifth Grade

## CLASS OF 2019



"They would get three warnings, then they would have to stay in for recess and make them do make up work or extra homework," fifth-grader Meza Myer said.

Brandon Ashalintubbi  
Gavin Bohl  
Moirra Duncan  
Caitlyn Fischbach



Riley Grandpre  
Dominic Hagebock  
Jarret Haven  
Triten Heber  
Meza Myer  
Payton Osborne



Halee Paulson  
Caleb Schentzel  
Sean Shepherd  
Talin Sorenson  
Zach Toennies  
Seth Wood





# Fourth 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  
Pike Osborne



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



Nicholas Thiel  
Miranda Thorson  
Tomlyn Toy  
Danielle Watson  
Tya Weideman  
Lauren Wiedebush  
Jerrin Wiman

# Third Grade

## Class of 2021



Danika Berry  
Hayden Bohl  
Jackson Christ  
Joe Groft  
Jace Haven  
Joclyn Haven  
Seth Heidenreich  
Bailey Heim  
Jackson Mielke  
Zachariah Mzala  
Kyle Peterson  
Alexis Rahm  
Cody Rausch  
Samantha Rush



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

# Second Grade

## Class of 2022

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



Justin Haven  
Landen Melius  
Megan Nash  
Reagan Nelson  
Logan Rausch  
Frakeithus Robinson  
Teryn Sparling



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



# First Grade

## Class of 2023

Ethan Boekelheide  
Trey Bourelle  
Gabrielle Engels  
Tanner Ewalt  
Fatafehi Fa'onelua  
Quintin Fischbach



Rian Gehring  
Brooklinn Halvorson  
Maren Hansen  
Ella Haven  
Olivia Heidenreich  
Brooke Heim  
Steven Hogg  
Hunter Johnson  
Preston Martin  
Jayden Mielke  
Kelly Miles  
Jude Ortmeier  
Emmylea Robeson  
Gretchen Severance



# Kindergarten

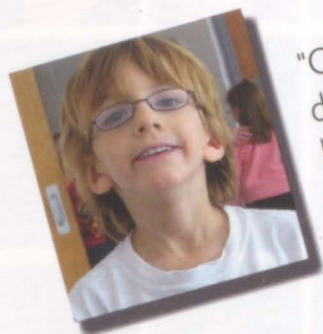
## CLASS OF 2024



Jevon Berry  
Landon Braun  
Courtney Decker  
Zachary Fischbach  
Dylan Hahler  
Jacob Leinen



Elijah Lich  
Nathan Melius  
Gregory Nelson  
Dawson Ward  
Henry Williams  
RikkaLyn Wiman-Gisi  
Lincoln Woodring



"One hundred dollars," kindergartner Dawson Ward said.

How much money do you need to be rich?



"One hundred dollars," kindergartner Courtney Decker said.

# Preschool

## CLASS OF 2025



RyLynn Berry  
Alyssa Brick  
Jessica Christ  
Annie Dvorak



Ashley Haven  
Keely Hawkins  
Issabella Kramp  
Wyatt Rahm  
Natalia Schipke



Emma Schneider  
Madeline Schnell  
Josie Sparling  
Dallas Stoltenberg  
Rhianna Troske



"Infinity dollars!" kindergartner Nathan Melius said.

# Faculty

**Marilyn Battey:** Third Grade

**Sandy Bierman:** Elementary Librarian, Computers

**Scott Boone:** History, Social Studies, Geography,  
Health & Wellness, Asst. Football Coach,  
Track & Field Coach, Cross Country 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

**Mary Bullock:** Paraprofessional



**Christy Cardella:** Middle School Language Arts,  
Oral Interp Coach

**Bill Clemens:** Custodian, Middle School Boys' Basketball  
Coach, Bus Driver

**Denise Clemens:** Middle School Girls' Basketball Coach,  
High School Science

**Doug Duncan:** Second Grade, Asst. Volleyball Coach,  
Middle School Track

**Amanda Fa'onelua:** 8-12 Math



**Shelley Fischbach:** Librarian, Tech Coordinator

**Marie Fix:** Paraprofessional

**Lisa Franck:** Board member

**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

**Tamra Haven:** Middle School Science,  
Special Education Services



**Roylene Heidenreich:** Fourth Grade

**Rose Hoellein:** Kitchen Staff

**Jeannine Jilek:** DDN Adviser

**Doreen Leinen:** Reading and Math Specialist

**Bobbie Lerew:** Board Member



**What is the worst excuse  
you have ever heard for  
students not having  
their homework done?**



"I was doing my homework in the car on the way home, and our air-conditioner was broken, so we had the windows down, and my homework flew out the window, and my mom wouldn't stop to get it," Mrs. Nora Groft said.



Judy Lindhorst: Preschool  
Linda Lutter: Kitchen Staff  
Mary Mielke: Board Member  
Vicki Mitchell: Kindergarten



Holly Morgan: Cheer Coach  
Sue Neiger: Speech Therapy  
Stephanie Nygaard: Guidance Counselor  
Christopher Osborn: Elementary Principal, Sixth-Grade Literature, Eighth-Grade History, Head Boys' Basketball Coach  
Richard Osborn: High School Principal, Head Girls' Basketball Coach, Sixth-Grade Math



Charles Palmer: Custodian  
Robin Paulsen: Early Childhood  
Lyndsay Rasmussen: Co-op  
Jackie Remily: Special Education  
Jody Roseland: High School Band and Choir, Music Appreciation



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, Psychology/Sociology, Geography, Asst. Girls' Basketball Coach



Doug Stahl: Bus Driver  
Jessica Strong: Aide, Elementary Computers  
Michelle Stuck: Special Education Paraprofessional, Oral Interp Coach, Play Director  
Nancy Taylor: First Grade  
Wendy Thorson: K-8 Music



Brett Toennies: Board Member  
Camille Tuscherer: Bus Driver  
Natasha Valnes-Jorgenson: Project Success Counselor  
Cindy VanHatten: Bus Driver  
Rita Walter: Kitchen Staff



"What homework?! We had homework? Nobody told ME we had homework!!!" Mrs. Jennifer Schell said.



"My dad ran over my English worksheets with his lawn mower," Mrs. Christy Cardella said.



Second Grade



Trevor Boffi



Freshman Class



Zach Duncan



Third Grade



GO

GREEN

# [Fall]

As the warm, favorable weather of summer disappeared, students settled into the well-known routine of classes, homework and extracurricular activities. The color of the leaves may have changed, but Northwestern's attitude for success did not. Whether it was among teachers in class, in front of fans at sporting events or during free time with friends, students continued to find ways to Go Green.



Eighth Grade



Cheer Team



Sixth Grade



Isaac Groff



Seventh Grade



Trevor Toennies Jared Fischer



Madison Hahler



Kristie Bade



Competitive Cheer Team

Back row: Gabrielle Morgan, Madison Smith, coach Holly Morgan, Laken Frericks and Jennifer Lefforge. Front row: Madison Hahler, Alyssa Steward, Kalen Frericks, Christine Morgan & Darienne Frericks.

Let's hear it!

Senior Gabby Morgan and sophomore Kristie Bade perform at the state competition held in Brandon.

Hi Mom!

Senior Maddy Smith shows her enthusiasm during the routine.

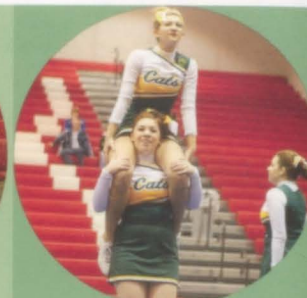
Laken Frericks

Kalen Frericks & Alyssa Steward



"The morning practices were harsh, but we improved a lot from last year. I was happy with our results."

-Madison Hahler



Christine Morgan



Darienne Frericks



Jennifer Lefforge

# Competitive Cheer

Cheerleaders participate in competition cheer activities.

The cheerleaders removed themselves from the sidelines this year and participated solely in competition cheer. Ten girls went out for the program to promote school spirit.

The girls trekked to various towns throughout the state to show off their zest. The Wildcats traveled to Lake Preston, Faulkton and Aberdeen Central.

"This past year of cheering was a total blast! I couldn't have asked for a better group of girls or a better coach! I will really miss all of the girls!" senior Madison Smith said.

The Wildcats hosted their first cheer competition in Mellette. Other schools participating included Redfield and Warner; Northwestern placed third.

"Competition cheerleading with these girls was so fun! We've made lots of memories! Good luck to the girls for next year!" senior Gabrielle Morgan said.

In November, the squad journeyed to Brandon to take part in the State Competitive Cheer and Dance Competition. The faction placed third in the small stunting/non-tumbling division.



# Cross Country



Runners Go Green in inaugural season.

Mr. Scott Boone pushed for the addition of cross country to the athletics curriculum this year. Nine students went out for the sport in its first season at Northwestern since the 1970s.

The team traveled to various golf courses in the area to participate in eight meets; they traveled to Britton, Aberdeen, Webster, Faulkton and Ipswich.

"It is a lot of fun being able to travel to different meets and run cross country. My favorite part is riding in the bus," junior Silas Franco said.

After completing a successful first season coached by Kris Boekelheide and Boone, four runners advanced to the state meet in Sioux Falls: Franco, eighth-grader Kaylee Hoellein and seventh-graders Darby Duncan and Josie Clemens.

"I enjoyed cross country. It was a great experience," Hoellein said.

Josie Clemens

Delbert Leonhardt & Silas Franco

Kaylee Hoellein



Isaac Groft



Peyton Groft



Hans Leonhardt

## Giving It His All

Seventh-grader Derek Boekelheide runs at the Lake Region Conference cross country meet held in Ipswich Oct. 5.

## Cross Country Team

Back row: Derek Boekelheide, Delbert Leonhardt, Hans Leonhardt, Silas Franco and Isaac Groft. Front row: Josie Clemens, Kaylee Hoellein, Darby Duncan and Peyton Groft.



**Left Foot, Right Foot**  
Seventh-grader Darby Duncan concentrates intently on her steps while running at the region meet held in Webster Oct. 12.



**Dressed In Red**

The first-grade class shows off its designated color on Fruity Pebbles day.

**Get Ready**

Members of the white team prepare themselves for the next play during powderpuff football after coronation.



Sadie Vander Wal



Kyle Peterson, Hunter Schipke,  
Zachariah Mzala & Hannah Schentzel

Hunter Jescke

Luther Johnson



"I had a great time at homecoming this year. My favorite day was mismatched day!"

-Sadie Vander Wal



Nik Wood



Jedd Croft



Kate Finley

# Homecoming

Wildcats Go Green with their favorite cereal.

The homecoming theme this year celebrated the most important meal of the day: breakfast; the student council chose cereal as the foundation for the week-long festivities.

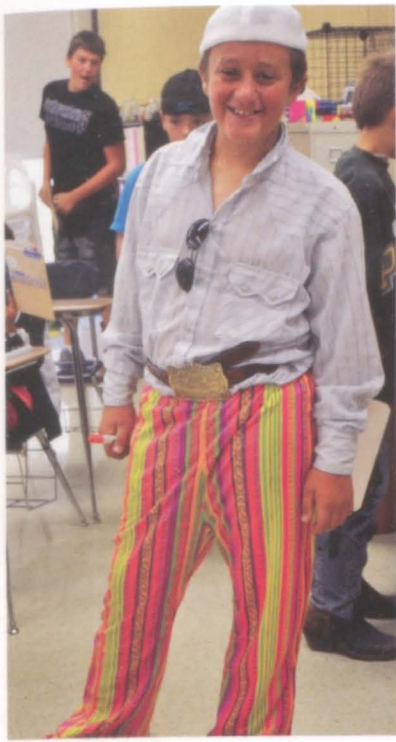
Students filled the halls dressed in animal print or their favorite sports athletes on Monday. Mismatched outfits filled the halls of the high school, while a few pirates roamed the halls of the elementary. On Wednesday, the school transformed into a moving rainbow, for Fruity Pebbles, or class color day.

"Homecoming was awesome!" junior Calli Peterson said.

A comfortable pajama day thrilled students on Thursday, except the freshmen, as they participated in buddy day. That night, coronation closed out the day. Madison Smith and Alex Boekelheide received homecoming king and queen honors.

"I was honored to be chosen and I'd like to thank Maddy for teaching me to properly wave like a king during the parade," Boekelheide said.

School spirit permeated Friday as the Wildcats prepared to take on the Gettysburg Battlers that night; despite strong efforts, the Wildcats came up short.



# GO GREEN

**Mismatched Cowboy**  
Sixth-grader Tucker Bohl shows off his attire on mismatched day.

**A Senior's Best Friend**  
Freshmen Hannah Palmer, Kennedi Sparling, Jordon Peterson, Julia Sparling and Haley Grandpre smile for a picture while dressed in their buddy day outfits.

**The Sophomore Class Has It All**  
The sophomore class poses on animal print/sports day.



Darienne Frericks

Brooklinn Halvorson & Ella Haven

Terrance Circle Bear & Christine Morgan

Lincoln Woodring, Jacob Leinen & Dawson Ward

Mark Phillips

**Ready, Aim...**

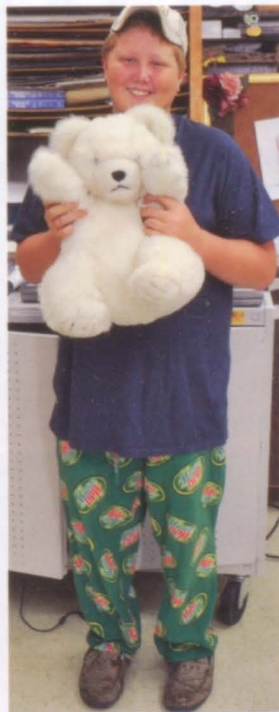
Junior Aaron Schultz concentrates on his opponents during a dodgeball game.

**Smile!**

Seventh-grader Kyler Johnson shows off his teddy bear on pajama day.

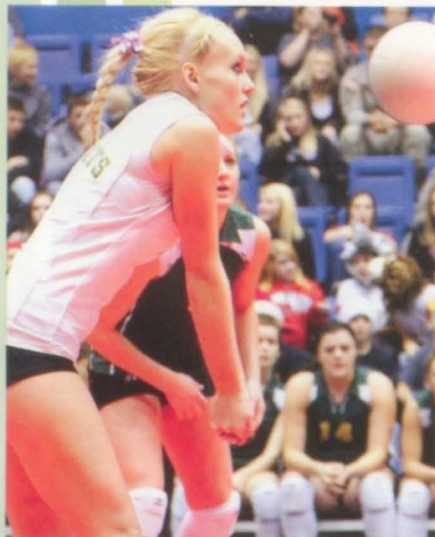
**King and Queen**

Newly crowned homecoming royalty, seniors Maddy Smith and Alex Boekelheide, smile for the camera after being crowned at coronation on Thursday, Sept. 29.



**Can you dig it?**

Senior Haley Wetzler digs up the ball during the championship match of state tournament held in Sioux Falls in November. Wetzler broke the school's career digs record by posting 1,427 digs.



Shelby Peterson



**Northwestern Wildcats Volleyball 2011 State B Champions**

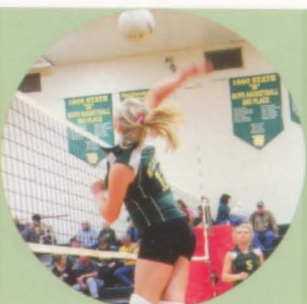
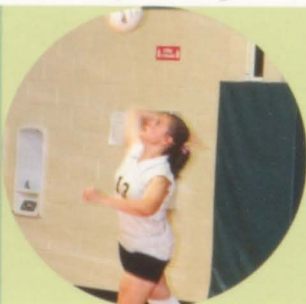
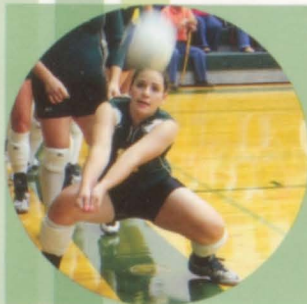
Back Row: Calli Peterson, Darby Duncan, coach Doug Duncan, Kalen Frericks, Paige Metzinger, coach Nora Groft, Jordon Peterson, Jeanna Duncan, coach Elissa Reppe, Christine Stoltenberg and Moira Duncan. Middle row: Kennedi Sparling, Kelsey Hoellein, Shekota Myer, Ashley Clemens, Kaitlyn Sparling and Christine Morgan. Front row: Madalyn Groft, Laken Frericks, Shelby Peterson, Haley Wetzler, Mariah Taylor, Jussy Tuscherer and Peyton Groft.

Kaitlyn Sparling

Laken Frericks

Kelsey Hoellein

Kalen Frericks



**Scoreboard**

Parkston	(25-11) (25-12)
Wagner	(25-21) (25-15)
McCook Central/Montrose	(25-22) (25-19)
Arlington	(25-22) (25-18)
Aberdeen Christian	(25-7) (25-7) (25-6)
Langford	(25-9) (25-11) (25-17)
Millbank	(25-13) (25-9)
Warner	(25-15) (21-25) (25-22)
Sioux Falls Christian	(19-25) (28-26) (25-27)
Elk Point-Jefferson	(25-14) (25-20)
Britton-Hecla	(25-7) (25-11) (25-8)
Warner	(23-25) (21-25) (25-22) (16-25)
Iroquois	(25-5) (25-4)
Warner	(18-25) (18-25)
Arlington	(25-12) (25-11)
Hamilin	(25-9) (25-9)
Duebrook	(25-13) (25-12)
Miller	(25-10) (25-13) (25-17)
Ipswich	(25-3) (25-6) (25-11)
Aberdeen Roncall	(25-20) (25-11) (25-16)
Warner	(25-180) (21-25) (21-25) (11-25)
Leola/Frederick	(25-8) (25-17) (25-6)
Redfield/Doland	(25-19) (25-12) (25-7)
Webster	(25-10) (25-13) (25-6)
Faulkton	(25-10) (25-5) (25-11)
Gettysburg	(25-6) (25-10) (25-7)
Millbank	(25-15) (25-14) (25-13)
Groton	(25-10) (25-17) (25-8)
Hitchcock-Tulare	(25-15) (25-16) (25-9)
Leola-Frederick	(25-20) (25-12) (25-7)
Warner	(25-22) (15-25) (25-17) (25-23)
Summit	(25-9) (25-13) (25-8)
Hemlock/Selby	(25-10) (25-21) (25-12)
Parkier	(25-18) (25-17) (27-25)
Arlington	(25-16) (30-32) (25-23) (25-18)

State Champions: 31-4  
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# State B Champions

Players and fans alike Go Green all the way to the state tournament.

The 2011 volleyball season proved to be anything but ordinary. After beginning the season with a tournament win over the defending state champions, the Wildcats knew this season would be extraordinary.

On the court, players repeatedly shattered records, including career digs, number of aces in a single season, number of kills in a single season, serve-recvie percentage, number of digs in a single season and career kills.

After a successful regular season, the Wildcats prepared for post season. The team battled through districts, regions and then ended the season as Class B State Champions.

"Advancing to the state tournament and winning our eighth state title is such a blessing," coach Nora Groft said. "I'm really proud of these girls."

At the state tournament, senior Jussy Tuscherer broke the record for number of kills, and senior Mariah Taylor broke the record for number of assists, previously held by former Northwestern setter Diedra Artz.

"I was pleasantly surprised to break that record; it was exciting to beat it, but I give a lot of credit to my teammates. Winning state was one of the best experiences of my life," Taylor said.



# GO GREEN

## Reaching for the Sky!

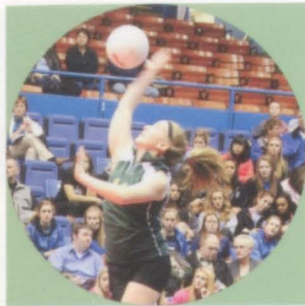
Senior Mariah Taylor gracefully jump sets the ball in the state championship match against Arlington.

## Mine!

Sophomore Paige Metzinger steps in to take the second pass to set up the Wildcat offense. "It was a great experience playing at state!" Metzinger said.

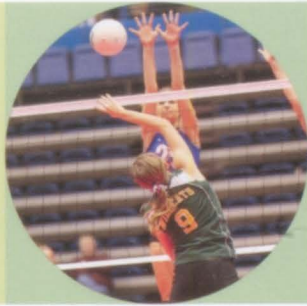
## One handed!

Freshman Kennedy Sparling stretches to get a one-arm dig. "I was really excited to be a state champion! I'm really going to miss the seniors. I'm looking forward to the next three years," Sparling said.

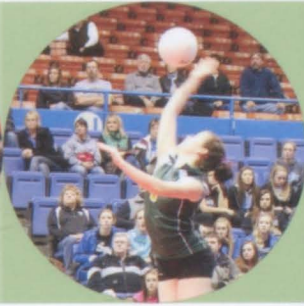


"This season of volleyball was a lot of fun. I can't wait until next year!"

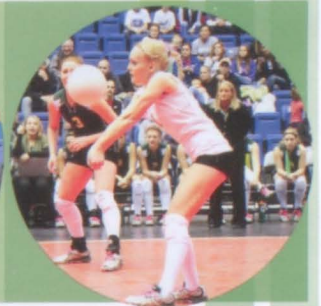
-Jordan Peterson



Jordan Peterson



Janna Duncan



Haley Wetzler

Christine Morgan

## Get it Girl!

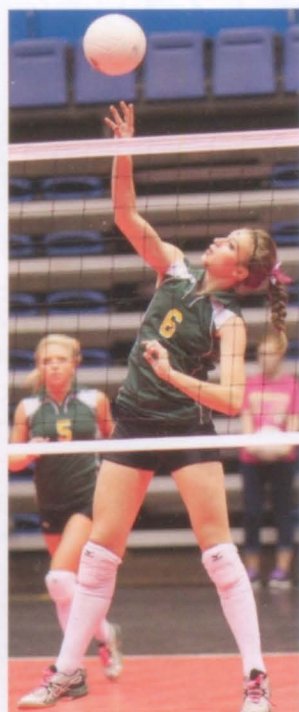
Junior Shekota Myer fiercely attacks the ball in the semi-final match at the state tournament.

## Showin' the Muscles!

Junior Ashley Clemens tips the ball over the net.

## Can I get a HOO-AH?

In the first round of the state tournament, senior Jussy Tuscherer hits the ball down the line at the opponents defense.



What did she just say?

Foreign-exchange student Catarina Oliveira listens to her instructor during Spanish II.

Working hard or hardly working?

Senior Alex Boekelheide works on his homework for his online agronomy class.



Jussy Tuscherer



Logan Brown

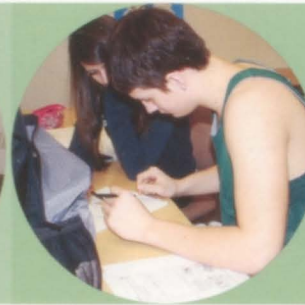
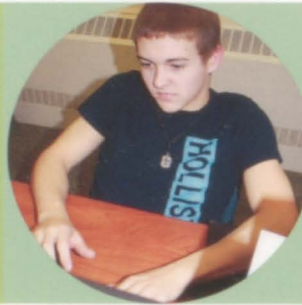
Landon Fischbach

Laken Frericks



"Online classes are a good opportunity, and they allow me to work at my own pace."

-Logan Brown



Ashley Clemens



Jeanna Duncan



Kalen Frericks

# Distance Learning & Art

Students Go Green with opportunities and ingenuity.

Art and distance learning classes provide opportunities for students to show off their creative and assiduous personalities. Students have the opportunity to be in art with other students or to participate in independent art.

"I drew a pheasant in art and got to be in the *South Dakota Wildlife* magazine. That was really cool," fifth-grader Jarret Haven said.

Provided DDN classes include language courses, Spanish I and Spanish II, Advance Placement classes such as AP biology and AP calculus and career-specific courses including agriculture business and child development/parenting.

Distance learning classes give students a taste of college courses while providing course offerings that would not normally be offered to Northwestern students.

"During Spanish class, I accidentally translated words into Portugese. It's hard to learn Spanish in an American accent!" junior Catarina Oliveira said.



# GO GREEN

**Steady Hand**  
Senior Ruth Phillips paints her Romero Britto art project during art.

**Winning T-Shirt Designs**  
Senior Casey Kulm and Kathy Stuck pose with Mrs. Jennifer Schell. Kulm and Stuck created winning designs for the Ashton Angel's poker run.

**Time to Paint!**  
Junior Sarah Franco contemplates the color choices to use on her art project.



"Art gives me a way to express myself. I love working with Mrs. (Jennifer) Schell!"

-Madison Smith

Madison Smith



Gretchen Seversen



Ethan Boekelheide



Madison Hahler

**Snip, Snip, Snip**  
First-grade Ella Haven cuts paper for her art project.

**Paint Inside the Lines**  
Senior Jennifer Lefforge carefully chooses colors for her painting.

**Cut and Paste**  
First-grader Trey Bourelle carefully places shapes on his robot project.



**Catch and Run**  
 Sophomore Nathan Frericks looks for a path to run the ball in for a touchdown against Hitchcock-Tulare.



**Northwestern Wildcats Football**

Back row: coaches Ben Buisker, Scott Boone, Eric Borge and Jesse Weidemen. Row 3: Hunter Wood, Tyler Carda, Nathan Palmer, Landon Fischbach, Lane Myer, Evan Finley and Trevor Toennies. Row 2: Nathan Frericks, Jacob Heidenreich, Delbert Leonhardt, Warren Walter, Jake Groft and Nicholas Wood. Front row: Tanner Dvorak, Jesse Lutter, Silas Franco, Zachary Duncan and Corbin Smith.

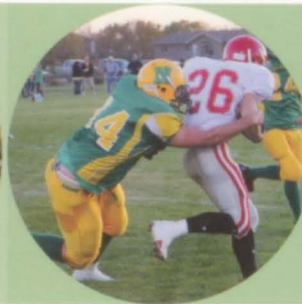
Hunter Wood

Jake Groft

Tyler Carda

Lane Myer

Nathan Palmer



**Scoreboard**

Hitchcock-Tulare	0-40
Langford	6-49
Leola/Frederick	6-44
Warner	6-40
Gettysburg/Hoven	6-25
Faulkton	14-32
Ipswich/Edmunds Central	49-24
Walsey-Wessington	26-66

Record: 1-7

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# Football

Players Go Green on the field.

The young, inexperienced Wildcat football team went up against tough competition this season. With only two seniors on the team, Trevor Toennies and Hunter Wood, the aggregation tried to work together.

After coaches identified the strengths of each player and placed them in a position to be successful with those assets, the team came together. Throughout the season, both the players and the fans remained thankful that the 2011 season did not include any injuries.

"This year was a rebuilding year, and I predict that next year, we will be better, and we'll come back with a few more wins," sophomore Tyler Carda said.

Although the team did not end with the perfect season desired, the Wildcats showed they had exceptional intestinal fortitude and can use this 1-7 season as a learning experience.

"Well, we were like the Vikings; we had a bad season, but people still love us," sophomore Nik Wood said.



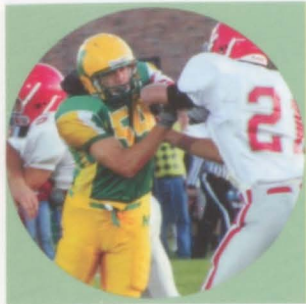


# GO GREEN

**Look at his hops!**  
Sophomore Nathan Palmer reaches to catch a pass during the first game of the season in Tulare.

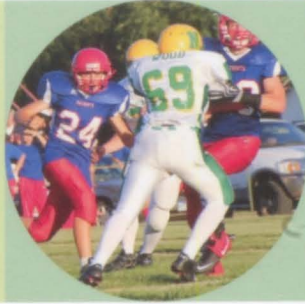
**Punt Return**  
Sophomore Jacob Heidenreich tries to get past the Hitchcock-Tulare defense.

**Last-Second Throw**  
Junior Lane Myer tries to get rid of the ball before getting sacked during the Gettysburg game.



"We had a rough start, but we pulled it together and learned how to win a game. We'll be better next year."

-Evan Finley



Nik Wood



Landon Fischbach



Corbin Smith

Trevor Toennies

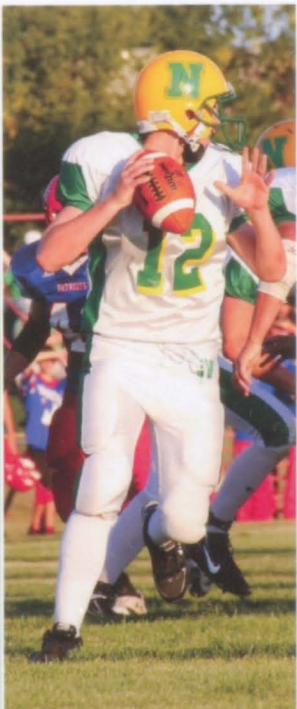
## Go Long!

Junior Evan Finley looks for an open teammate to complete a pass to an open teammate.

## Interception!

Junior Silas Franco jumps in an attempt to grab an interception during the homecoming versus Wolsey-Wessington.

**Running for the End Zone**  
Senior Hunter Wood runs the ball and avoids the Gettysburg Battler defense.

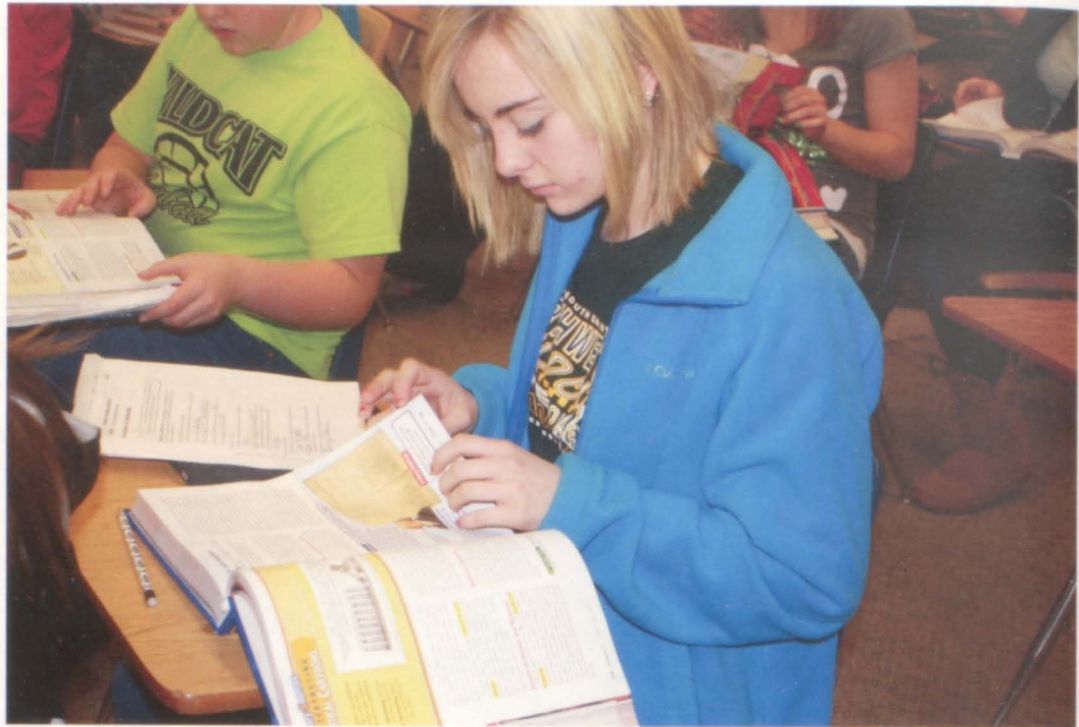


Traveling Back in Time  
Eighth-grader Hope Bowar works on her assignment during history.

There's an App for that!  
Junior Melissa Thompson works with an iPad application in sociology.



Carolina Speilman

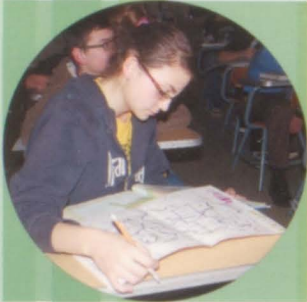


Kate Finley

Allison Braun

Katie Myers

Donna Harmon



Jacob Heidenreich



Colton Zens



Sean Hauck

# Social Studies & Physical Education

Students learn of times past and Go Green by promoting good health.

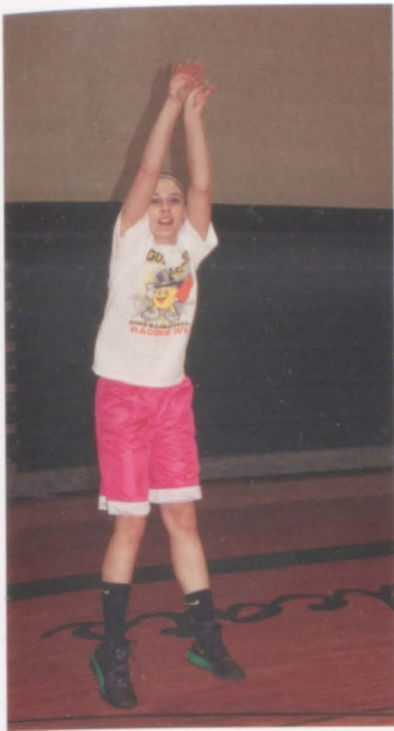
Mr. Scott Boone added his knowledge of history, geography and government to another year of classes. Due to his own strenuous workout regimens and years of experience, he also possessed the logos to teach health and wellness.

"Mr. Boone never ceases to amaze me with the stories he tells. He is definitely the most left-winged Republican that I have ever met. There's never a dull moment when he is around," senior Hunter Wood said.

Mr. Eric Borge used exciting expertise to teach physical education to the elementary students.

"I like playing the games, like kickball!" third-grader Jace Haven said.

Mrs. Jennifer Schell again used her knowledge to teach geography to the seventh grade. She also exerted psychology and sociology onto the young minds of sophomores and juniors.



# Go GREEN

### Swish!

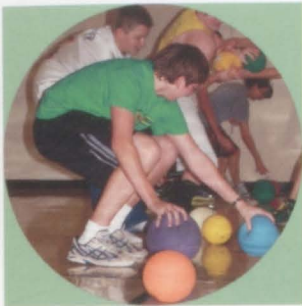
Freshman Julia Sparling shoots a basket while playing basketball in health and wellness.

### Only a Few More Seconds!

The second-grade class works on their abdominal muscles during physical education.

### Tough Defense

Seventh-grader Josie Clemens and sixth-grader Addison Sparling play basketball during activity period.



"Health and wellness was a lot of fun. I love when we play dodgeball."

-Hans Leonhardt

Hans Leonhardt



Wyatt Hahler



Kelsey Hoellein



Cody Lefforge & Andrew Lefforge

### Look Out!

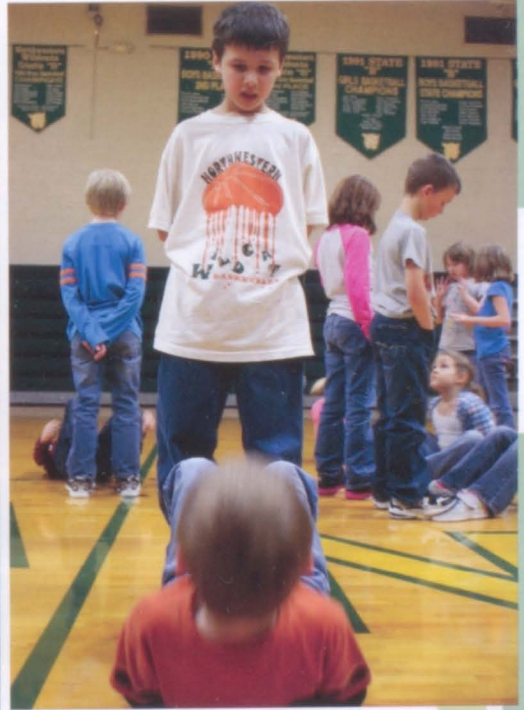
Freshman DonShay Dillard chucks a dodgeball at a classmate on the opposing team.

### Quick Like a Bunny!

Fifth-grader Caleb Schentzel runs his laps for physical education warmups.

### You can do it!

Second-graders Tyler Ashalintubbi and Christopher Toennies complete their partner workout in physical education class.



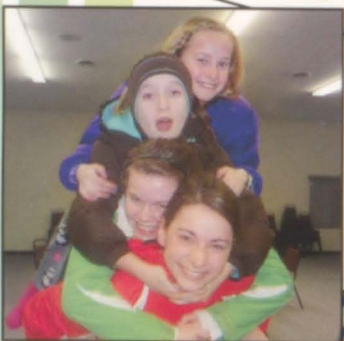


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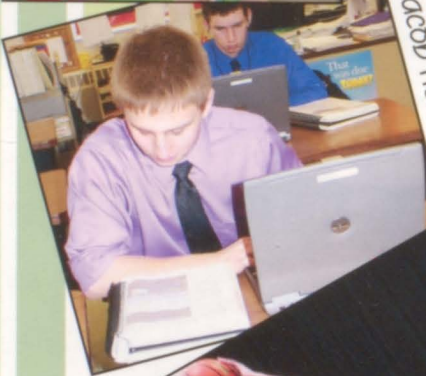
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Trevor Rusin  
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Jacob Heldenreich



Corbin Smith



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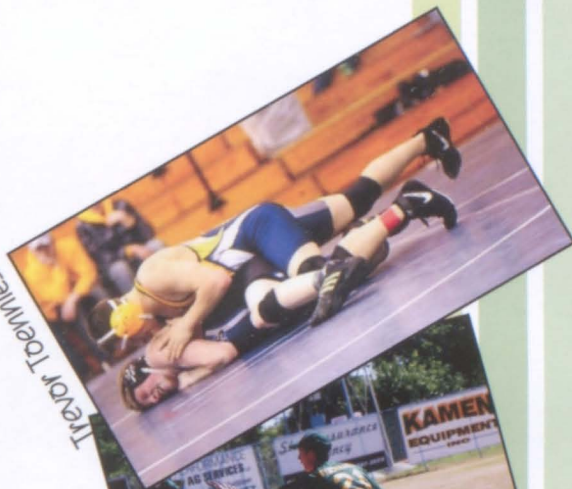
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# [Winter]

As the cold temperatures set in, students continued to achieve all that they put their minds to, both on the basketball court and in the classroom. Snow days and winter holidays helped break up the most frigid days of school; warm thoughts and brain power helped to get through the coldest months of the year and everyone continued to Go Green.

Trevor Tommlies



Lanquan Flisbach



Tomlyn Toy



Tyler Carda  
Maddie Hafner  
Kristie Bade

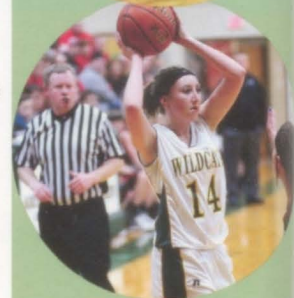


Kennel Sparling



Kyle Staffil  
Breann Moler





**This One's Mine!**  
Junior Shekota Myer goes for the jump ball against Warner in the district championship.

**1. I hope this goes in!**  
Senior Shelby Peterson shoots a basket during the district game versus Langford.

**2. Steady...**  
Senior Haley Wetzler prepares herself to shoot a three-pointer during districts.

**3. And One...**  
Junior Ashley Clemens strongly takes the ball to the basket.

**4. Baseline Drive!**  
Senior Mariah Taylor drives the baseline with the ball past her defender.

**Can't Stop Me!**  
Senior Jussy Tuscherer launches the ball over her defender.

Kennedi Sparling

Gabrielle Morgan

Kimberly Miles

"Basketball is a lot of fun, and I'm already excited for next season!"

-Courtlen Lechner

Courtlen Lechner

# GO GREEN

## Girls' Basketball

Wildcats Go Green against their opponents.

The Wildcats worked hard during regular season and dribbled to the final round of district play. A mixture of experienced players and young eagerness helped to produce a record of 16-6. The team lived up to expectations, gained experience and improved on skills of teamwork.

"I'm sad to see my basketball career at Northwestern come to an end, but it was a great experience, and I'll miss my teammates and coaches," senior Shelby Peterson said.

Although the season ended with a district loss to Warner, the team was able to look back on the season with pride.

"It was a really fun playing with all the girls, and I'm going to miss the seniors!" freshman Kennedy Sparling said.

While the team rejoiced in the success of this season, they also looked to the future with excitement.

"I can't wait for next year!" junior Kimberly Miles said.

"This season had a challenging but fun schedule, and I can't wait to see what next year will bring!"

-Christine Morgan, Freshman



Jordan Peterson



Julia Sparling

### Scoreboard

Aberdeen Roncalli	35-54
Aberdeen Christian	78-36
Sully Buttes	29-35
Warner	48-37
Miller	49-54
Gettysburg	78-37
Groton Area	40-30
Faulkton Area	75-23
Hitchcock-Tulare	52-46
Sanborn Central/Woonsocket	60-36
Sisseton	54-46
Ipswich	75-36
Warner	45-48
Leola/Frederick	50-22
Langford Area	49-37
Hoven/Edmunds Central	58-16
Webster Area	66-23
Summit	16-45
Redfield/Doland	51-26
Herreld/Selby Area	43-35
Langford Area	45-22
Warner	39-50



Girls' Varsity Basketball Team

Back row: Kennedy Sparling, Kimberly Miles, Ashley Clemens, Shekota Myer, Jordan Peterson & Courtlen Lechner. Middle row: coach Rich Osborn, Shelby Peterson, Mariah Taylor, Jussy Tuscherer, Haley Wetzler, Gabrielle Morgan & coach Jennifer Schell. Back row: Carolina Spielman, Halle Sieve, Calli Peterson, Maddie Hahler & Catarina Oliveira. Girls' Basketball

Record: 16-6



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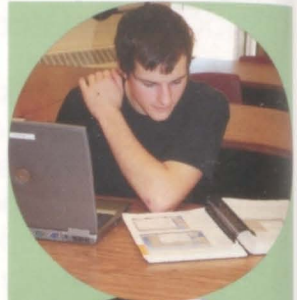
**1. Void, Valid, Voidable, Unenforceable...**  
Senior Ruth Phillips tackles the tough questions on her business law assignment.

**2. Such Immersion!**  
Fourth-grader Torrence Bourelle's eyes are glued to the computer screen during class.

**3. Careful!**  
Senior Kathleen Stuck perfects the art of screen printing shirts for Northwestern Ink.

**4. Working Hard**  
The fourth-grade class perfects its typing skills during its computer class.

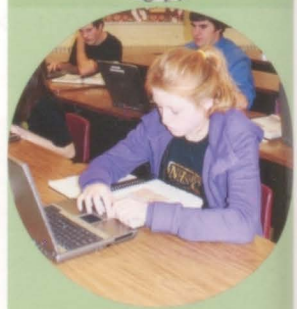
Nicholas Wood



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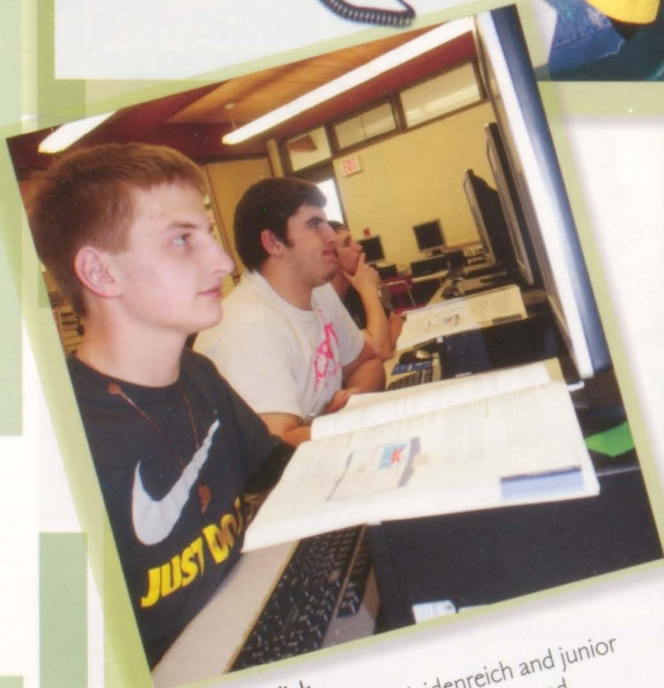


Kristei Bade



"Advanced computers is a great class! It has taught me skills I can use in the future."

-Calli Peterson

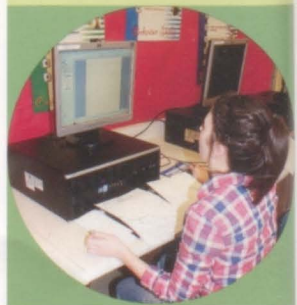


**Right Click...**  
Sophomore Jacob Heidenreich and junior Lane Myer complete their advanced computers projects.



**Where is that example?**  
Junior Stanton Roach follows along with Accounting I teacher Mrs. Anne Frericks as she explains a lesson to the class.

Calli Peterson





# Go GREEN

## Business & Computers

Students Go Green through technology and business strategies.

With the importance of technology steadily on the rise, Northwestern students take classes to prepare them for the future. Mrs. Anne Frericks teaches advanced computers classes to the high school, while Mrs. Shelley Fischbach instructs the middle school and Miss Jessica Strong and Fischbach guide the elementary.

"Computer class is fun, and I enjoy the typing games we play," sixth-grader Isaac Bauer said.

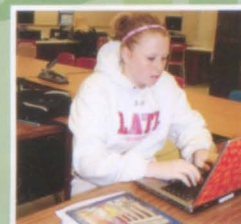
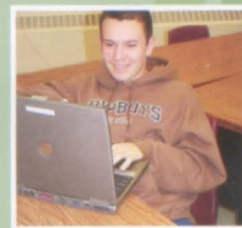
Through classes such as Accounting I, Accounting II, entrepreneurship, business management, business careers, personal finance, business law and career internship, also taught by Frericks, students learn more about the business world and some find potential career fields to enter after high school.

"Accounting I is one of the most useful classes I take. I will definitely use the skills I've learned in the future," sophomore Jacob Heidenreich said.

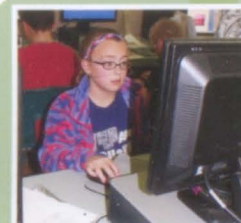
The offered business and computer classes prepare students for the future, while also helping them to become productive, competent members of society.

"I really enjoy taking advanced computers. There is definitely never a boring moment in class."

-Jesse Lutter, Sophomore



Laine Mielke



Hailey Boekelheide



### Debits and Credits

Junior Landon Fischbach asks for help from Mrs. Anne Frericks on one of his Accounting II worksheets.



### Full of Concentration

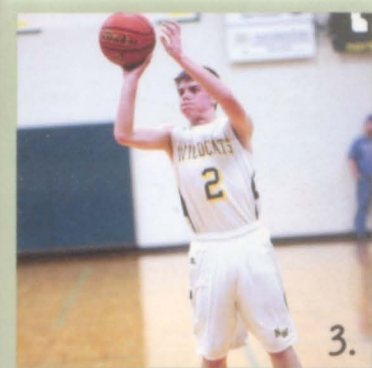
Junior Evan Finley listens to his tunes while using his problem-solving skills in advanced computers to work through an assignment.



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**1. Jump Stop!**

Freshman Corbin Smith catches the ball and looks for an opportunity to shoot.

**2. Can't Catch Me!**

Junior Silas Franco breaks away from the opponent and looks for an open teammate.

**3. Focus, Focus...**

Eighth-grader Dylan Miles takes his opportunity to shoot the ball while free from defenders.

**4. Difficult to Defend**

Junior Landon Fischbach shoots over two Summit defenders.

Jacob Heidenreich



Tyler Carda

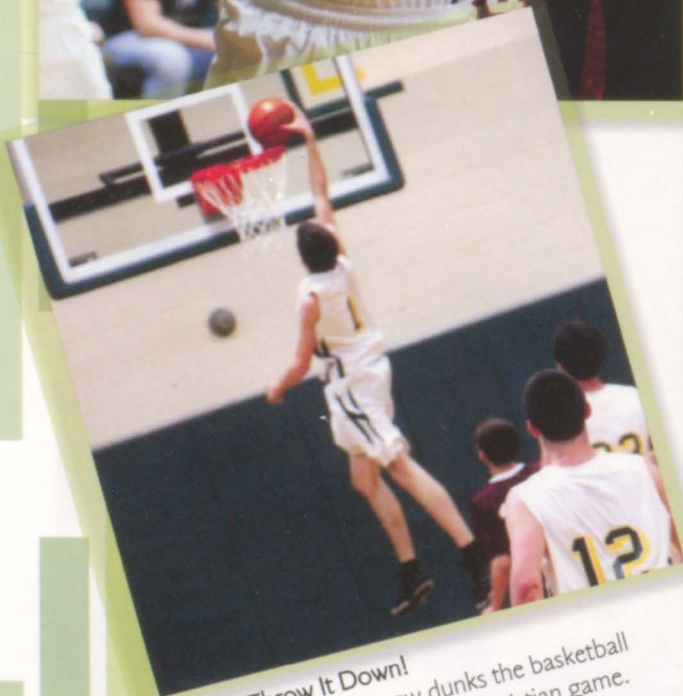


Matthew Fischbach



"Basketball is a lot of fun and is a sport I do not see myself ever quitting."

-Matthew Fischbach



**Throw It Down!**  
Junior Ray Lerew dunks the basketball during the Aberdeen Christian game.



**Waiting For an Opening...**

Sophomore Nathan Palmer waits for a chance to put the ball up against Summit.

Hunter Lerew



# Go GREEN

## Boys' Basketball

Athletes Go Green on the court.

While the boys' basketball team did not achieve a desired record on the court, the team learned through valuable experiences and situations. With no seniors on the team, every player gained experience, and this season only left room for improvement.

"This year was definitely a building year, and everyone can look forward to next year and expect us to be more competitive," junior Landon Fischbach said.

A number of underclassmen stepped up and gained exposure to varsity play, preparing them for future playing time.

"It was a good experience to be challenged at the varsity level," eighth-grader Hunter Lerew said.

While the team played some tough opponents, and the games did not always end the way they wanted, the Wildcats proved that the success of a team cannot always be measured by its final outcome.

"This year was rough, but next year will be awesome!" sophomore Tyler Carda said.

### Scoreboard

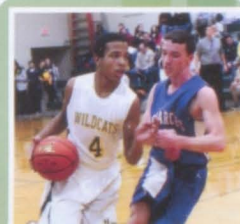
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Hoven/Edmunds Central	68-37
Warner	30-55
Gettysburg	43-51
Dupree	27-70
Waubay	65-51
Aberdeen Christian	45-52
Ipswich	57-62
Miller	45-88
Warner	35-72
Leola/Frederick	29-63
Faulkton Area	37-42
Langford Area	35-80
Wölsey-Wessington	31-73
Florence/Henry	48-61
Webster Area	40-57
Summit	44-52
Redfield/Doland	37-65
Hitchcock-Tulare	24-68
Aberdeen Christian	42-66
Leola/Frederick	58-65

Record: 2-19

"We can use this season to learn to be more consistent, and next year will be a better year."



-Evan Finley, Junior



DonShay Dillard

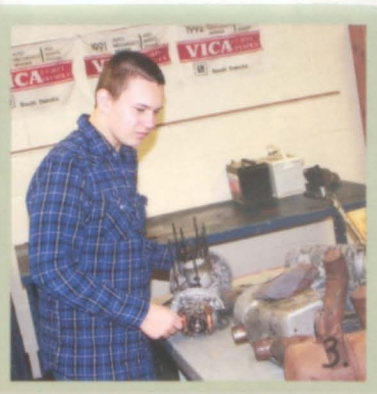


Lane Myer



Boys' Varsity Basketball Team

Back row: coach Chris Osborn, Lane Myer, Ray Lerew, coach Austin Fischbach, Landon Fischbach, Nathan Palmer & coach Nathan Peterson. Front row: Annie Lutter, Evan Finley, Jacob Heidenreich, Silas Franco, Corbin Smith, Tyler Carda & Laine Mielke.



**1. Start Your Engine!**  
Sophomore Skylar Sorenson carefully works on an engine during his automotive technology class.

**2. Fix it! Fix it!**  
Senior Alex Boekelheide works on the steering wheel of his group's electric car.

**3. Where Does This Piece Go?**  
Sophomore Jesse Lutter puts an engine back together during his automotive technology class at VOED.

**4. Listen Up, Boys!**  
Juniors Ray Lerew, Stanton Roach and Jake Groft listen intently to Mr. Jerry Sauer while preparing their electric car.

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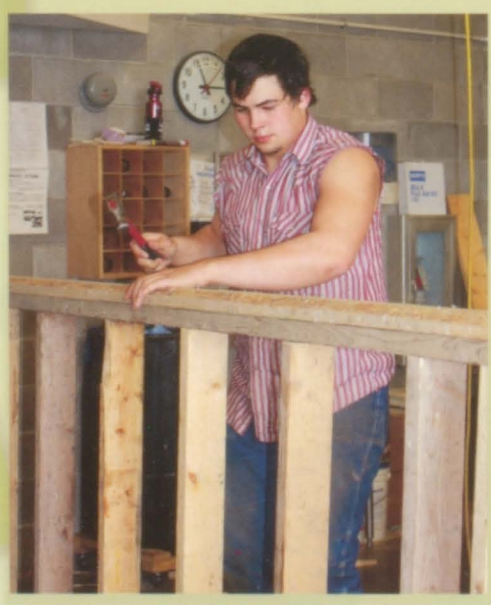


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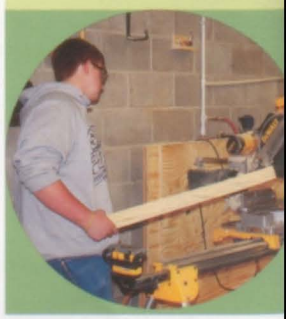
"The cabinetry class was an interesting class to take."

-Jordan Ashalintubbi



**Don't Hammer the Wrong Nail!**  
Senior Hunter Wood intently works on his senior project in the shop.

Vertical text: Jordan Ashalintubbi



Live in 5, 4, 3, 2, 1! Action!  
Senior Jennifer Lefforge smiles for the camera as she awaits for the signal for going on air during her Mass Communications class at HATS.

# Go GREEN

## Industrial Tech & VOED

Students Go Green in pursuit of future career choices.

In areas free from desks, marker boards, and textbooks, students had the opportunity to explore classes that offer a different kind of instruction. Pupils in the industrial technology programs at Northwestern participate in hands-on learning, rather than the traditional classroom learning.

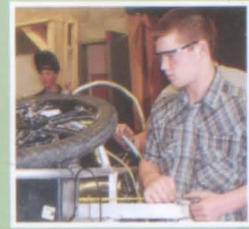
"I think this welding class is a great way to gain experience in a trade that I'll be using on the farm," senior Alex Boekelheide said.

Another form of interactive learning occurs when a number of Northwestern students board a bus to travel to the Hub Area Technical School in Aberdeen. Students who attend HATS enroll in classes such as building trades, automotive technology and classes focusing on mass communications.

"Automotive technology is an enjoyable class. We have learned a lot about engines and vehicles, which is what I plan to use in my future," sophomore Jesse Lutter said.

Many students plan to use the acquired skills from these classes in their future trades.

"Building the electrical car was a lot of fun until it started on fire...twice."



-Jake Groft, Junior



Logan Brown



Corbin Smith



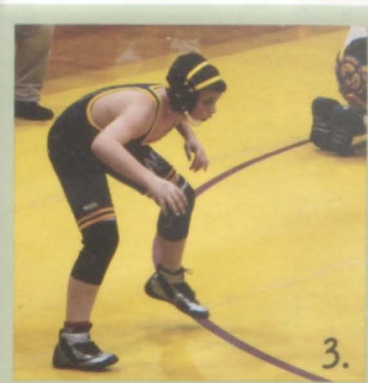
So Many Pieces!

Junior Warren Walter works with computer chips during an electronics assignment at VOED.



Don't Press the Wrong Button!

Sophomore Luther Johnson carefully works during his class at HATS. Johnson attends this class in the afternoon every day.



**1. Mine!**

Freshman Haley Grandpre prepares to pass the volleyball during a Junior Olympic Volleyball tournament in Jamestown, North Dakota.

**2. Smile For the Camera!**

Members of the Brentford American Legion Auxiliary take a break from working in the kitchen for a photo. The group visited the Ronald McDonald House in Sioux Falls and prepared a meal for the families.

**3. Bring It On!**

Sixth-grader Tyler Braun prepares for his AAU wrestling match.

**4. Five, Six, Seven, Eight!**

Senior Madison Smith performs her dance routine at half time of the boys' basketball game. Smith attends Living Arts Dance Studio in Aberdeen.

Kennedi Sparling



Christine Stoltenberg



Tristan Dvorak



"The adrenaline rush from snowmobiling is an unbeatable feeling!"

-Alex Boeckelheide

Alex Boeckelheide



**Waiting For the Ball.**  
Freshman Hannah Palmer patiently awaits a ball to be hit to her during a softball game in Mellette.

**Stealing to Second Base**

Junior Shay Clemensen intensely keeps an eye on the pitcher while trying to steal second base.

# Go GREEN

## Out of School Activities & Wrestling

Students Go Green with their free time .

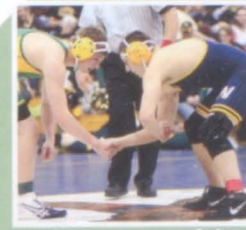
To keep themselves occupied when school was not in session, many students involved themselves in other activities. Some of the activities in which Northwestern students participate include baseball, softball, dance, 4-H, snowmobiling and piano.

These activities keep the students busy in the summer months, while teaching them valuable skills and giving them the opportunity to keep in touch with their classmates.

"Softball is fun because I get to play with my friends, and it keeps me busy," freshman Hannah Palmer said.

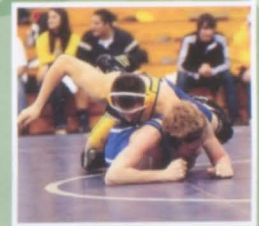
Wrestling, an activity that is co-oped with Warner, kept a few students busy during the winter months. Senior Trevor Toennies was the only Wildcat on the varsity team, while younger students participated in Amateur Athletic Union wrestling.

"This year was a great year for me, as I made it to regions and as a team, we broke many team records. It was awesome!" senior Trevor Toennies said.

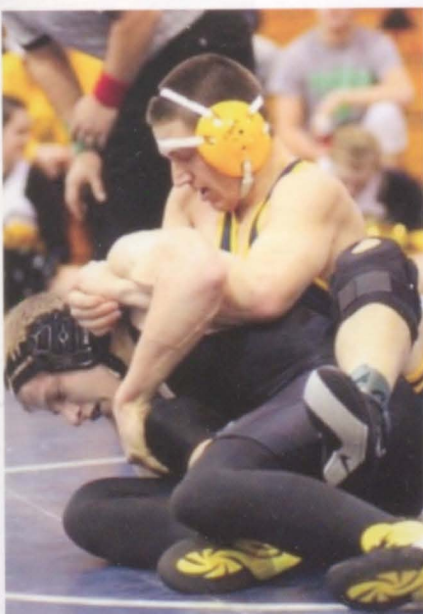
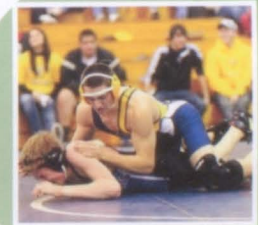


"This season was my most successful season of wrestling, and it was also really successful for the entire team. It was definitely a great season to have my senior year."

-Trevor Toennies, Senior



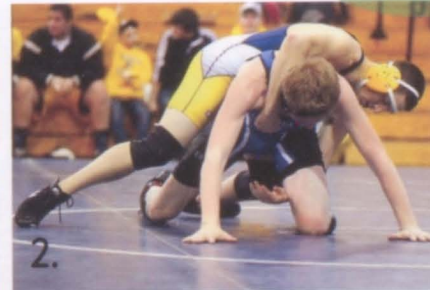
Trevor Toennies



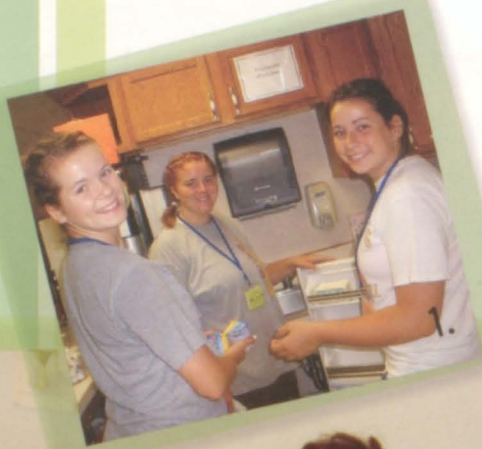
**Working For the Pin!**  
Senior Trevor Toennies puts a Groton opponent into a power-half.



**1. Not Going to Let Go!** Trevor Toennies gains wrist control over a Redfield-Doland wrestler.  
**2. I'm On Top!** Toennies hooks up a cradle in a wrestling match versus a Redfield-Doland opponent.



**3. Going For Victory!** Toennies wrestles at the district wrestling tournament.



1.



2.



4.

**1. Service With a Smile!**

Senior Shelby Peterson, junior Melissa Thompson and sophomore Jeanna Duncan help with a service project while on a mission trip.

**2. Operation: Help Others!**

Sixth-grader Sadie Vander Wal and eighth-grader Kirstin Borge show off the tasty snacks they made to deliver to the Good Samaritan Center.

**3. Praying For Others**

Sophomore Maddie Hahler listens as a fellow FCA member leads a prayer.

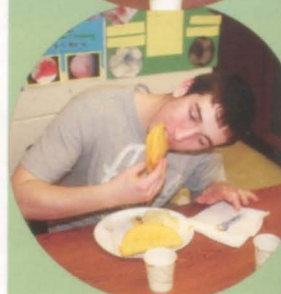
**4. Time Of Reflection**

Sophomore Kalen Frericks takes a moment to pray during FCA.

Tyler Carda



Evan Finley



Laken Frericks



**Can't Keep My Eyes Open Anymore!**  
Seventh-grader Darby Duncan and Sixth-grader Peyton Groft fall asleep during the Tri-Parish youth group lock-in.



**Would You Like Chocolate Chips With That?**  
Mrs. Christy Cardella, Mrs. Denise Clemens and Mr. Rich Osborn serve pancakes during a breakfast put on by the Coaches Huddle.

"Joining together on Wednesday mornings for FCA was fantastic!"

-Kristie Bade

Kristie Bade





# GO GREEN

## FCA & Youth Groups

Students Go Green with their relationship with Christ.

Not merely comprised of textbooks and homework, many Northwestern students spend their free time expanding their faith. On Wednesday mornings, Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets to pray for each other and other schoolmates; athletes are not the only members of the student body who are encouraged to attend. The Coaches Huddle meets at 7:15 every Wednesday and cooks a breakfast once a month in preparation to share fellowship.

"I believe that FCA is a great way for athletes to come together and share their difficulties and triumphs through Christ," senior Laken Frericks said.

On Wednesday evenings, students attend various youth groups in the community. Many students make an appearance at the Tri-Parish youth group, while others attend CCD and confirmation classes at the All Saints' Catholic church.

"At CCD I teach kindergartners and first-graders; it sometimes is a challenge, but I enjoy it!" junior Kaitlyn Sparling said.

"Youth group is always super fun and Mr. Duncan's energy makes things interesting!"



-Kyler Johnson,  
Seventh Grade



Melissa Thompson



Austin Peterson



### Story Time

Senior Laken Frericks, FCA Huddle Leader, reads an inspirational story to the group during a meeting.



### Mission Trip Attendees Pose For a Picture

Back row: Kyler Johnson, Shelby Peterson, Doug Duncan, Melissa Thompson, Amy Duncan, Jeanna Duncan, Zachary Duncan. Front row: Darby Duncan, Kirstin Borge, Isaac Graft.



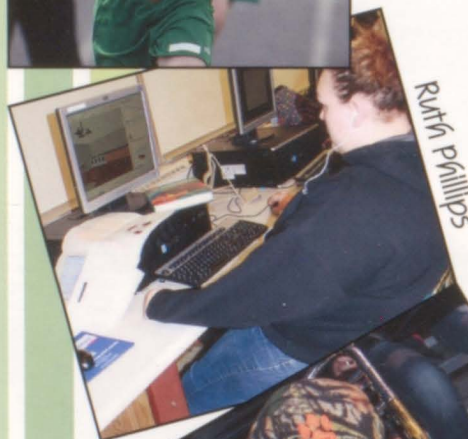
Prom Attendees



Torrey Beardempfl



Josie Clemens



Ruth Phillips



Logan Schentzel



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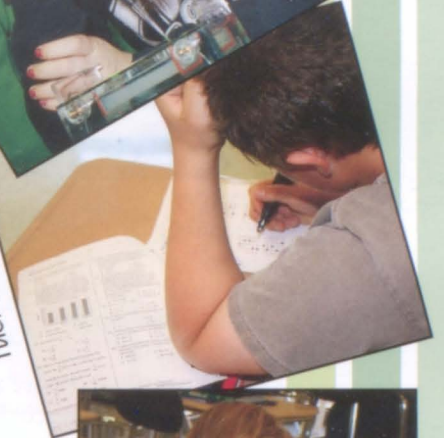
# [Spring]

The cold weather drifted away for good as the students and staff at Northwestern prepared for the last few days of the school year. Some students remained busy on the track, while others continued to channel their brain power into other activities. Everyone looked forward to summer, and the seniors excitedly counted down the days to graduation, anxiously looking to their future knowing they were running out of chances to Go Green.

Kimberly Niles



Tucker Borjini



Klaryssa Schnoor



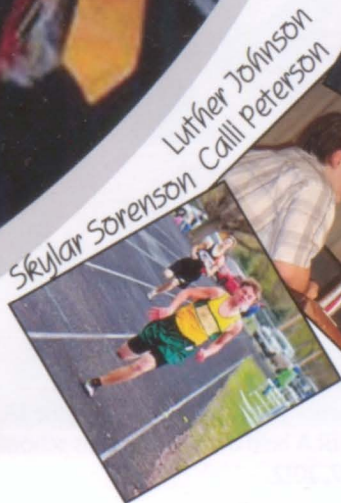
Maddie Hanfler



Alex Bauer  
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Calli Peterson



Skylar Sorenson





**Red = Love!**  
Sophomore FBLA members Paige Metzinger, Tyler Carda, Delbert Leonhardt, Nathan Frerick and Kristie Bade attach suckers to the messages before handing the valentines out to each recipient.

**1. Think, think, think!**

Freshmen Halle Sieve and Christine Morgan carefully choose answers for their FBLA test at the state conference.



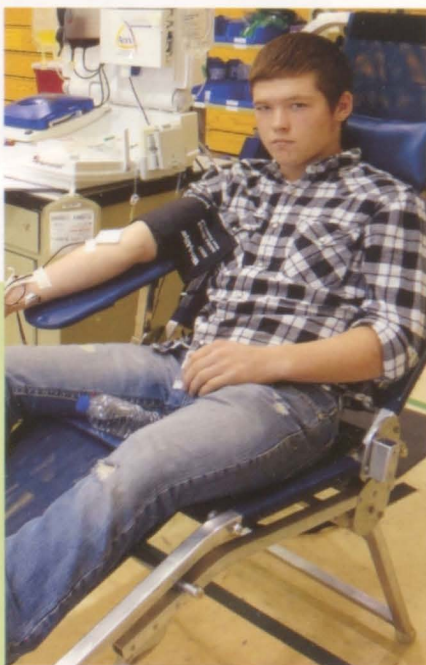
**2. Who's Going to Volunteer?**

FBLA chapter president Laine Mielke leads one of the monthly meetings held on the first Friday of each month.



**3. Going for the Gold!**

Senior Katrina Frericks receives a medal for a competitive event at state FBLA.



**Last Conference!**  
Seniors Gabby Morgan and Haley Wetzler smile for the camera at their last state conference.



**O-N-O-M-A-T-O-P-O-E-I-A**  
Sophomore Kalen Frericks struggles to spell her word at the spelling relay.



**Race to the Finish!**  
Sophomores Nathan Frericks and Delbert Leonhardt race each other to finish of the FBLA 5K.

**I'm feeling a little queasy!**

Junior Jake Groft waits while the blood is pumped out of his arm. FBLA held blood drives this school year on Nov. 23, 2011, and March 27, 2012.



**Just a Little More Butter!**  
Junior Shay Clemensen prepares to make a fresh batch of popcorn at one of the many FBLA-run concession stands.



**One Popcorn, Please!**  
Senior Trevor Toennies grabs a bag of popcorn from the popcorn bucket to deliver to a customer.



**Thumbs Up for Painting!**  
First-grader Steven Hogg excitedly paints his pumpkin with freshman Hans Leonhardt.



**All Smiles!**  
Both freshman Haley Grandpre and second-grader Jessica Boekelheide wear big smiles while painting pumpkins.

# Future Business Leaders of America

Members Go Green at the local level and at the state conference.

Giving students a hands-on experience with business procedures and a knowledge of business etiquette, the Northwestern chapter of Future Business Leaders of America helped prepare students for future endeavors.

"I have had so much fun in FBLA, and I am really going to miss it next year," senior Alex Boekelheide said.

Students involved in FBLA kept busy with area activities, which included holding a community 5K fun run and bike race and two successful blood drives, as well as activities inside the school building, such as pumpkin painting with the elementary and annual Valentine's Day sucker sales.

"We had a great turn out for both of the blood drives that we put on this year," Mrs. Anne Frericks, FBLA adviser, said.

In the spring, many members of the chapter attended the State Leadership Conference in Sioux Falls, where they listened to speakers, participated in competitive events and engaged in other activities. The officers also attended a fall conference in Sioux Falls and a leadership seminar in Redfield.

Freshman Members

Sophomore Members

Junior Members

Senior Members



After the state conference, eight Northwestern members were eligible to attend the state conference held in San Antonio, Texas, in July.

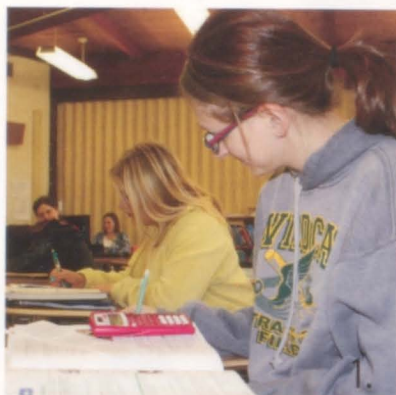




**Everything is Adding Up!**  
First-grader Kelly Miles practices her math skills in the classroom. The first-graders learn basic addition and subtraction skills.

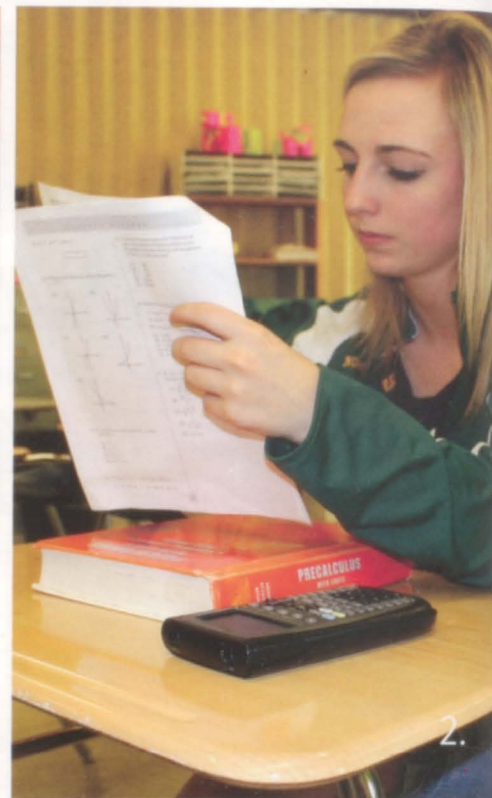
**1. This is a Tough One!**

Sophomores Paige Metzinger and Torey Beardemphl take class time to work on their geometry assignment.



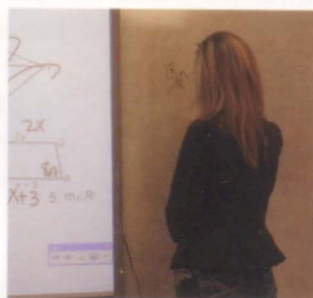
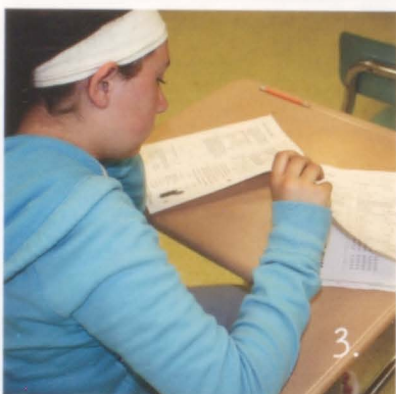
**2. Sine, Cosine, Tangent...**

Junior Kelsey Hoellein studies an equation while in pre-calculus. Students in this math class had the opportunity to take a test to earn college credit at the end of the year.



**3. The Answer is C!**

Sixth-grader Declan Osborne reviews a worksheet while in math class taught by Mr. Richard Osborn.



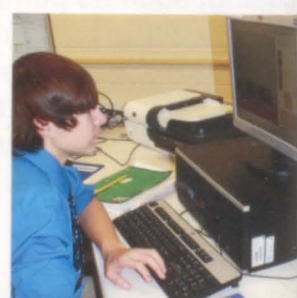
**Where's the Given?**

Sophomore Alyssa Steward works a problem on the board during geometry class.



**Math is Fun!**

Kindergartner Dawson Ward uses a math application on an iPad while fellow classmate Henry Williams looks on.

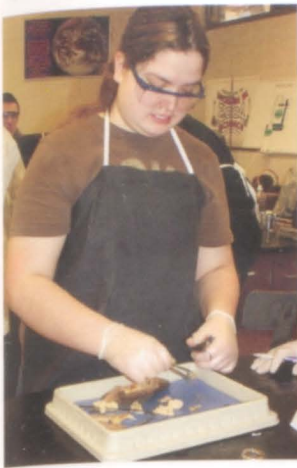


**Interesting...**

Junior Trevor Rush works on the computer during math class; the applied math class spent time utilizing resources other than textbooks throughout the year.

**I Answered That Question Correctly!**

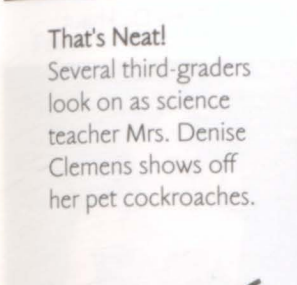
Sixth-grader Mackenzie Engels carefully looks over her homework assignment while reviewing in class.



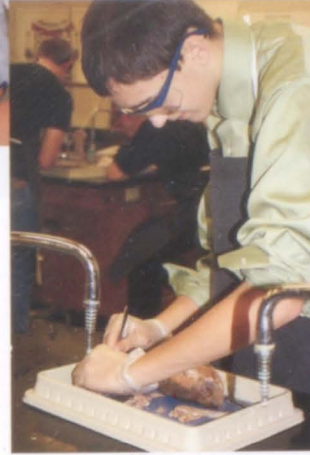
Gross!  
Sophomore Donna Harmon looks appalled as she dissects a perch in biology.



Testing Proteins.  
Junior Lane Myer carefully inserts substances into agar to create a reaction with proteins during physiology.



That's Neat!  
Several third-graders look on as science teacher Mrs. Denise Clemens shows off her pet cockroaches.



Something is Fishy!  
Sophomore Matthew Fischbach excitedly slices into his fish during a dissection lab.

# Math & Science

Students Go Green with calculations and experiments

From elementary to high school, Northwestern students continued to increase their knowledge of math and science. Scholars were repeatedly introduced new material and challenged with the obstacles of critical thinking.

"Science fair was really exciting this year, and it was really interesting to see everyone else's projects. Everyone worked really hard to conduct their research and put together their display," sophomore Alyssa Steward said.

Science classes offered at Northwestern this year included physical science, biology, chemistry and physiology. The variety of classes enabled every student to find an interesting subject to study. Science teachers include Mrs. Denise Clemens, who teaches grades nine through 12, and Mrs. Tamra Haven, who teaches middle school.

"My favorite lab in physiology was when we were able to dissect the cow's eyeball. It was so gross but so interesting!" senior Madison Smith said.

The math department offers Algebra I, Algebra II, geometry and pre-calculus. Mrs. Amanda Fa'Onelua, Mrs. Shelley Fischbach and Mr. Richard Osborn operate the math programs for grades six through 12.

"Going to math contest was really fun, although some of the questions on the test were really challenging," freshman Corbin Smith said.

Jessica Boekelheide

Adrianna Lutter

Nicholas Thiel

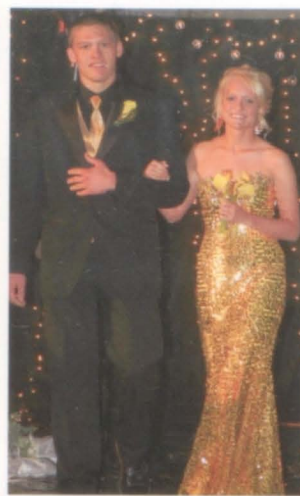
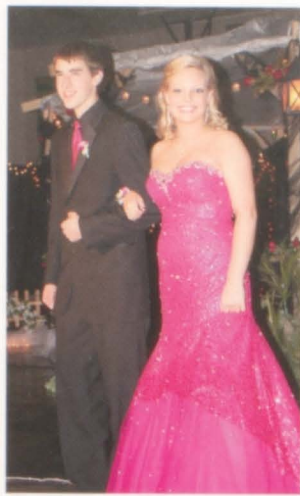
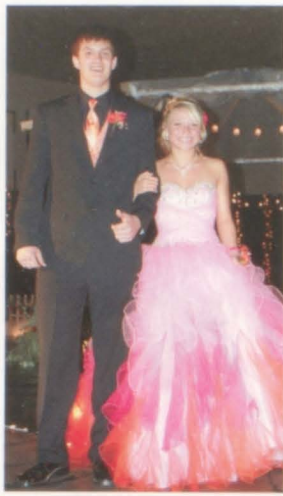
Tya Wiedeman  
Cassidy Frericks  
Kaitlyn Lefforge



"Disecting was definitely an interesting experience, to say the least."

-Senior Adrianna Lutter





1. **A Walk in the Park**  
Junior Warren Walter walks Marlie Vandenborne through the Enchanted Garden.
2. **Picture Perfect**  
Junior Landon Fischbach and senior Mariah Taylor stroll through grand march.
3. **All Dressed Up!**  
Junior Ray Lerer and senior Laken Frericks pause for the camera.
4. **Sparkle and Shine!**  
Senior Haley Wetzler is escorted by her date Drew Dickhaut.

**1. First Prom!**

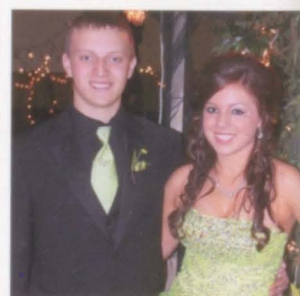
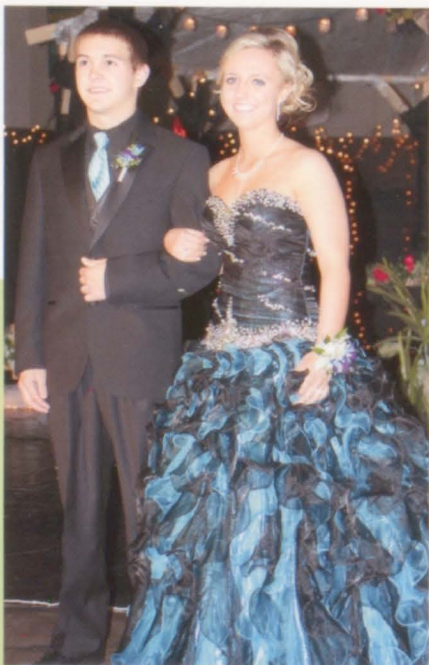
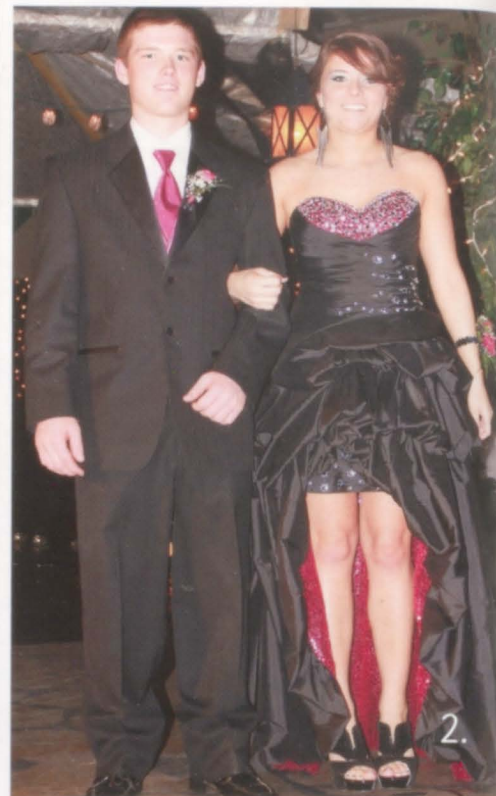
Junior foreign-exchange student Catarina Oliveira is escorted by her date, sophomore Nicholas Wood. Oliveira was delighted to have the chance to partake in this Northwestern tradition.

**2. Pretty in Pink!**

Juniors Jake Groft and Kimberly Miles strut their stuff as they parade through grand march.

**3. Ready For the Camera**

Senior Jussy Tuscherer and date Michael Smith make time for the camera during grand march.



**Smile!**

Senior Laine Mielke and date Stetson Kretschmar strike a pose for the camera.

**Say Cheese!**

Senior Alex Boekelheide and date Addy Scriver pause for a picture.

**All Smiles**

Junior Shay Clemensen and his date, sophomore Kalen Frericks, express their excitement for prom.

**Smile For the Crowd!**

Senior Logan Brown and junior Kelsey Hoellein smile for the crowd as they walk through grand march.

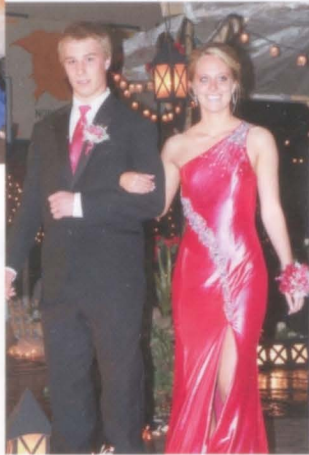




**Big Smiles!**  
Junior Calli Peterson is escorted by her date Connor Gose.

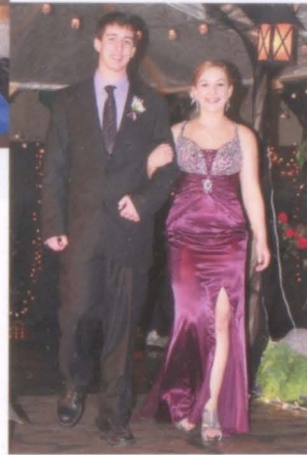


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**Pause for Emphasis!**  
Senior Katrina Frericks and date Logen Arthurs pause to show their attire to the crowd.

**Short and Tall**  
Sophomore Nathan Palmer walks with his date Gabby Morgan.



**Stunning!**  
Junior Evan Finley and Christine Morgan strut through Grand March.

## PROM

Attendees Go Green in the "Enchanted Garden" while dancing the night away.

Gathering for a night full of fun and dancing with fellow students and dates, 21 couples gathered for prom in the "Enchanted Garden." Dresses and matching tuxes of all colors filled the room as the attendees smiled for pictures.

"The decorations were different this year, but it was a nice change. I had a lot of fun!" sophomore Kalen Frericks said.

Sophomore waiters and waitresses kept busy all night delivering refreshments and desserts to the juniors and seniors as they danced the night away. Also available to entertain those in attendance was a photobooth.

After changing out of formal attire, the students flocked to the small gymnasium where interactive games such as darts, pool, foosball and select video games were set up. The students could also play board games and a foosball and pool tournament was organized for the couples. After the every game had been tested, the students moved to the large gymnasium for further entertainment with a magician and comedian.

"Post prom was a lot of fun!" sophomore Kristie Bade said.

Upon the ending of the magician's show, juniors and seniors drew numbers to receive prizes.

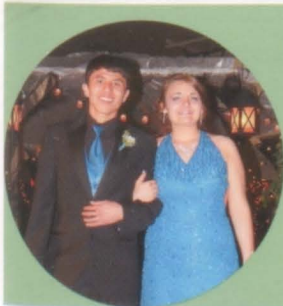
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Ashley Clemens  
Hunter Wood

Luther Johnson  
Melissa Thompson





**We Made It!**  
Sixth-grader Sadie Vander Wal, seventh-grader Darby Duncan and eighth-graders Rachel Rausch, Abigail Fischbach, Madison Styles and Kirstin Borge pose with Mrs. Wendy Thorson at Middle School All-State Band held in Pierre, S.D.

**1. Fa La Lal**

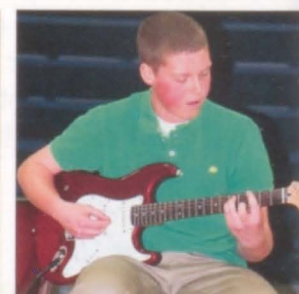
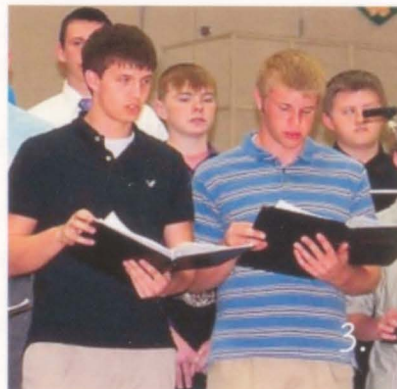
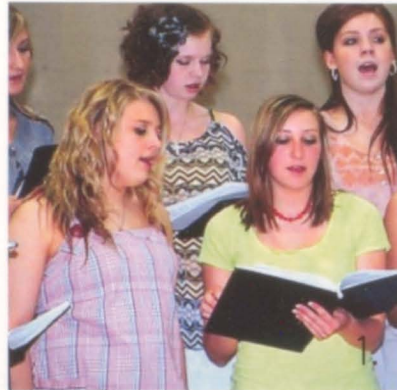
Members of the girls chorus perform at the spring concert.

**2. Muddy Snow Flake**

Fifth-grader Caleb Schentzel performs as the antagonist during the fifth-grade play put on at the elementary Christmas concert.

**3. Don't Forget the Words!**

Male vocalists partake in their time to shine during the high school spring concert.



**Don't Squeak!**

Senior Katrina Frericks pays close attention to her music as she performs for the crowd.

**Big Solo**

Sophomore Alyssa Steward performs a flute solo at the Pops Concert.

**New Talent!**

Senior Alex Boekelheide shows off his new talent at the Pops Concert, where he accompanied Kalen Frericks in a duet. Boekelheide learned how to play the guitar for his senior project in Mrs. Groft's Tech English class.

**Saxophones in a Row**

Seventh-grader Darby Duncan and eighth-graders Rachael Boekelheide and Codi Sparling play in the pep band during a basketball game.

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**Hittin' the Low Notes**  
Freshman Blake Toennies plays loudly during a pep band performance; Toennies is the only tuba player in the band.



**Focus on the Music**  
During a football pep band performance, eighth-grader Trey Bierman focuses on playing the correct notes.



**Guitar Man**  
Eighth-grader Ethan Bauer accompanies the band with his bass guitar.

**Toot That Horn!**  
Eighth-grader Kendra Bohlen plays in the pep band at a football game.



## Music

Band and choir members Go Green with musical talent.

Keeping in tune with Northwestern tradition, band and choir members filled an aggressive schedule of events. In the fall of the year, the band students could be seen tirelessly marching through the streets of Mellette preparing for the Homecoming and Gypsy Days parades.

"As the drum major, I enjoyed leading the band and marching around town. It's always a nice change from sitting in the classroom all day," senior Katrina Frericks said.

Mrs. Jody Roseland headed the high school music department this year and brought fresh ideas and more modern music to the band and choir programs. She was also in charge of middle school chorus and music appreciation.

"Band was fun this year because Mrs. Roseland picked some up-beat music that was enjoyable to play," senior Gabrielle Morgan said.

Mrs. Wendy Thorson again directed a successful middle school band and elementary music program. Six students were selected for South Dakota Middle School All-State Band after trying out, and one student was selected for the South Dakota Honor Choir.

The elementary kept busy throughout the year preparing for Christmas and spring concerts, as well as learning the fundamentals of music.

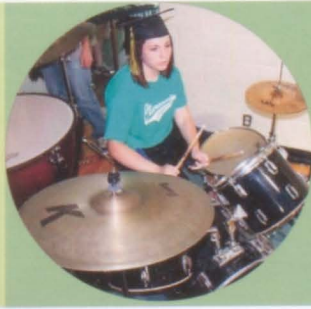
Senior band members



"I was excited to play trap set at graduation because my grandma, who also played trap set, was able to hear me!"

-Senior Shelby Peterson

Shelby Peterson



Middle School Marching Band



Laken Frericks





Bringing Home the Prize Senior Laine Mielke and junior Calli Peterson proudly hold the plaque proving that their school newspaper received an all-state award. Senior Haley Wetzler holds the award for the all-state yearbook.

### 1. Where is That Story?

Sophomore editor Maddie Hahler searches her computer for a story written by a fellow classmate.



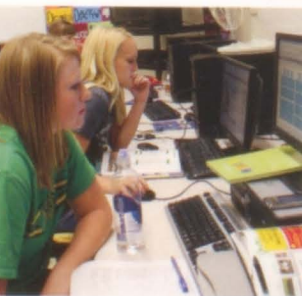
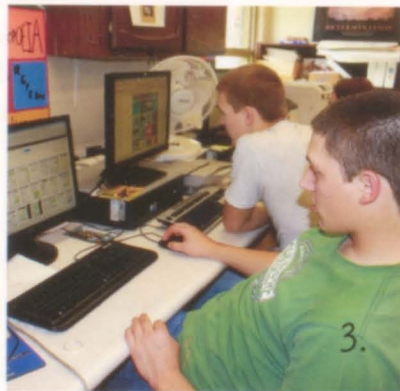
### 2. First Place Newspaper

The six journalism students pose for a photo displaying their First Place Newspaper award for the First Edition Contest held by the SDHSPA.



### 3. Grayscale These Pictures!

Senior Trevor Toennies navigates through a program on the computer. Journalism students are in charge of conducting research and interviews and writing stories, along with taking and preparing pictures to accompany stories.



**After Hours**  
Seniors Laine Mielke and Haley Wetzler work after school is out for the summer to finish the yearbook.



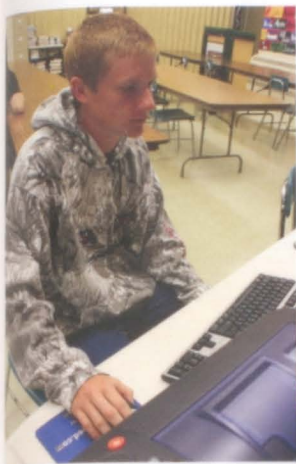
**Just Another Day At Work**  
Junior Shay Clemensen excitedly hands a story over to the next set of hands to be placed in the newspaper.



**New Quote!**  
A funny moment in class is taken advantage of as junior Courtlen Lechner writes the humorous words on the journalism "quote board."

### Finished Product

Senior Logan Brown, a Journalism III student, flips through a newspaper before sending it out to recipients.



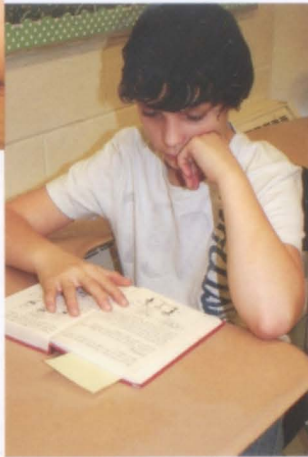
What's the password?  
Sophomore Nathan Frericks waits for the password to take a last-minute Accelerated Reader test.



How to Ace the AP Test!  
Senior AP English Literature & Composition student Shelby Peterson uses her iPod as a resource to study for the final AP exam.



Soaking Up the Words  
Seventh-grader Samantha Hagebock intently reads her book in Mrs. Christy Cardella's English class.



Split the Deck  
Seventh-grader Dawson Smith prepares to write a paper by reading through his *Split the Deck* book.

# Journalism & English

Students Go Green in the classroom and through the press.

The journalism and English programs at Northwestern flourished once again this year. In the middle school, Mrs. Christy Cardella and Mr. Christopher Osborn occupied the children's time, teaching them grammar and literature to prepare them for future classes and life beyond the walls of the school building.

Students in high school kept busy reviewing what they learned in previous years and learning new concepts. The freshmen brushed up on their grammar concepts, while the sophomores studied and performed numerous speeches and the juniors experienced American and British Literature. The seniors split into two classes - technical English and Advanced Placement English. Students in AP English investigated the more complex ways of English and technical English participants explored workplace writing and literature.

"Although it was challenging at times, AP English was very worth it, and I'm glad I took it," senior Laine Mielke said.

Pupils in the journalism class exploited themselves with writing stories, selling advertisements and learning proper journalistic style. In addition, the students learned to write, edit and produce on a deadline, while allowing their work and mistakes to be viewed and criticized by the public.

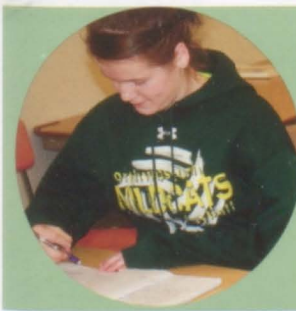
"I really enjoy being part of the journalism staff; we have made many memories in class," junior Calli Peterson said.

Jeanna Duncan

Kyler Johnson

Kristie Bade

Austen Wiman



"My favorite speech was the fact speech. I did mine on Husker volleyball player Hannah Werth. I liked it mostly because it was short!"  
-Sophomore Jeanna Duncan





**This is a Test! A What? A Test!**  
Junior Calli Peterson and sophomores Kristi Bade and Kalen Frericks act as figments of imagination during the spring play.

**1. Worried Student**

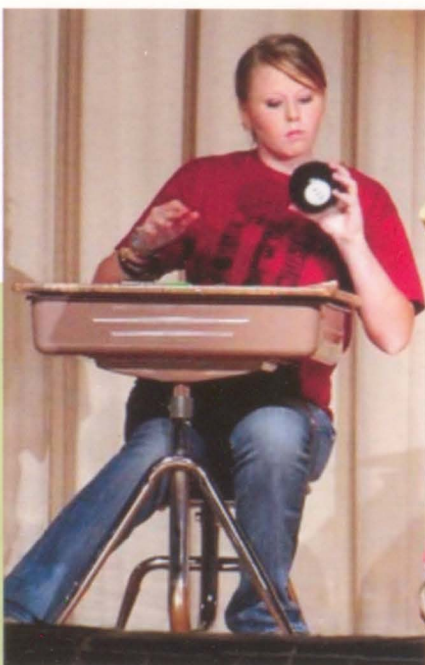
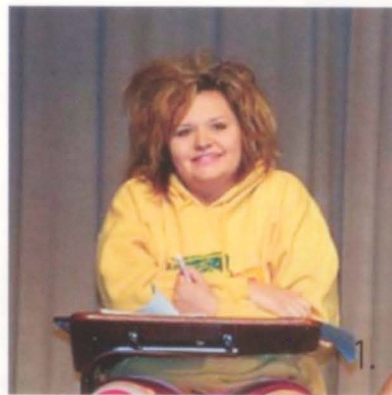
In the spring play, senior Kathleen Stuck played a paranoid student who acted out during an important test.

**2. YES!**

Sophomore Kristie Bade practices her oral interpretation piece in the hallway of the Johnson Fine Arts Center in Aberdeen before performing it for the judges.

**3. I know! I know!**

Sophomore Halle Sieve raises her hand high during the spring play, showing the teacher she has the answer.

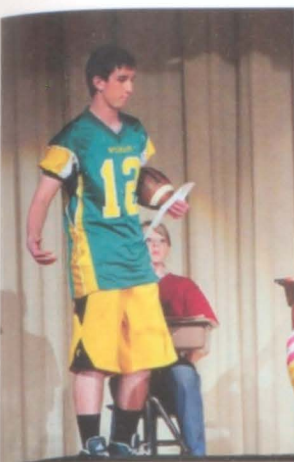


**Busy Receptionist**  
Senior Adrianna Lutter lounges while in character for the one-act play.

**Give Me the Answer!**  
Senior Laken Frericks looks to her neighbor for help during the spring play.

**Preoccupied Teacher**  
Freshman Christine Morgan plays the role of a self-absorbed teacher who misses the cheating antics of her students in the spring play.

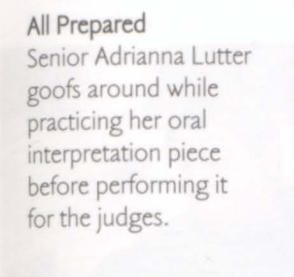
**Let Me Consult My Magic Eight Ball**  
Senior Laine Mielke uses any resource available to cheat on her test in the spring play, *This is a Test*.



**Late to Class**  
Junior Evan Finley comes late to class during the spring play. Finley played the athlete of the classroom.



**Workin' Nine to Five**  
Sophomore Kalen Frericks sings a Dolly Parton hit to kick off the one-act play, *Hard Candy*.



**All Prepared**  
Senior Adrianna Lutter goofs around while practicing her oral interpretation piece before performing it for the judges.



**I Got This!**  
Senior Kathleen Stuck reviews her oral interpretation piece one last time before the performance.

# Drama Club

Actors Go Green on the stage.

Those participating in drama club had an eventful year filled with oral interpretation and reader's theater, one-act play and spring play. Some students also attended a seminar at Northern State University to perfect their acting abilities and learn additional skills.

"Oral interp was fun, especially when I was able to beat people from other schools," sophomore Nicholas Wood said.

The one-act play, *Hard Candy*, depicted a dysfunctional business office looking to hire new employees. Every new applicant seemed to be stranger than the first, and the ending took a turn that was impossible to foresee. Despite efforts, the one-act play participants did not earn a high enough rating to move on to state.

In the spring of the year, the young actors and actresses provided entertainment through a play entitled *This is a Test*. The setting was a humorous classroom full of cheating students and an obviously preoccupied teacher.

"This year's spring play was one of the most exciting plays in my high school career. I will really miss drama club next year," senior Kathleen Stuck said.

The middle school also was active in oral interpretation, some gaining experience for future years in oral interpretation and others using experience that they had learned in previous years.

Nicholas wood

Calli Peterson

Luther Johnson

Laken Frericks  
Madison Smith  
Adrianna Lutter



"Oral Interpretation is a great way to practice public speaking and it's really fun!"

-Junior Calli Peterson





## 2012 Track Team

Back row: Coach Jennifer Schell, Silas Franco, Skylar Sorenson, Delbert Leonhardt, Tyler Carda, Landon Fischbach, Coach Scott Boone, Nathan Palmer, Nathan Frericks, Jacob Heidenreich, Zachary Duncan, Jesse Lutter and Coach Wade Rozell. Middle row: Catarina Oliveria, Jeanna Duncan, Shelby Peterson, Hannah Palmer, Shekota Myer, Paige Metzinger, Josie Clemens, Darby Duncan and Kaylee Hoellein. Front row: Kennedy Sparling, Jordon Peterson, Ashley Clemens, Jussy Tuscherer, Mariah Taylor, Haley Wetzler and Julia Sparling.

### 1. Quick Like a Bunny

Senior Jussy Tuscherer gives it her all while running the 400-meter dash. Tuscherer placed fifth in the 400-meter dash and the 800-meter run at the state track meet.



### 2. State Qualifying Throw

Junior Shekota Myer puts all of her power into a throw at the Ipswich Invitational meet. Myer placed fourth in discus and second in shot put at the state track meet.



### 3. Counting Steps

Sophomore Nathan Frericks carefully counts his steps to successfully make it over very hurdle.



### Taking Off

Sophomore Jeanna Duncan takes off after receiving the baton during the 4X400 relay.



### One More Lap

Junior Ashley Clemens runs the 800-meter dash at the Redfield-Doland Relays.



### And She's Off!

Senior Haley Wetzler quickly moves off the blocks to run the medley relay.

### Going the Distance

Junior Silas Franco pushes himself to the finish line during the mile run at the Redfield-Doland Relays.





**In the Ring**  
Sophomore Nathan Palmer exhibits good form as he throws discus; Palmer placed third in state for this event.



**Put a Little Oomph In It**  
Senior Shelby Peterson throws shot put at the region track meet, where she placed second to advance to the state meet.



**Pushing the Limit**  
Junior Catarina Oliveira runs the 100-meter dash at the region meet in Groton.



**Going Great Lengths**  
Senior Mariah Taylor qualifies for the state meet in the long jump by breaking the 15'10" standard at the region track meet in Groton.

# Track & Field

Athletes Go Green while running circles around the competition.

Due to the early spring weather, numerous Northwestern track athletes broke records and qualified for the state track meet.

"Breaking the school record in the 3,200 meter run was really exciting. I have worked really hard to beat it," seventh-grader Josie Clemens said, as she ran a 12:50 time.

Seventeen athletes qualified for the state track meet held in Rapid City. Northwestern had qualifiers in the 200- and 400-meter dashes, 800- and 3,200-meter runs, 100-meter hurdles, shot put and discus. Athletes also qualified in relays, including the 400-meter, 800-meter, 1,600-meter, 3,200-meter and medley.

"I enjoy throwing. It is a great time beating people from other schools," sophomore Nathan Palmer said, who qualified for state in discus and broke the school discus record.

At the state track meet, the girls' 800 meter relay placed fifth. Senior Jussy Tuscherer broke school records in the 400 and 800. Junior Shekota Myer broke school records in shot put and discus.

## Schedule

- Patriot Invite @ Miller
- Central Dakota Invite @ Miller
- Rob Luecke Invite @ Groton
- Gettysburg Invite @ Gettysburg
- Redfield-Doland Relays @ Redfield
- Groton Kiwanis @ Groton
- Tiger Invite @ Ipswich
- Lake Region Conference @ Ipswich
- Ipswich Invite @ Ipswich
- Miller Invite @ Miller
- Hamlin Last Chance @ Hayti
- Region 1B @ Groton
- State Meet @ Rapid City

Delbert Leonhardt

Kennedi Sparling

Jacob Heidenreich

Kaylee Hoellein



"Qualifying for state in the 800-meter relay, 400-meter relay, and the medley relay was really exciting!"

-Freshman Kennedi Sparling





### Class of 2012

Back row: Jennifer Lefforge, Adrianna Lutter, Jussy Tuscherer, Laine Mielke, Kathleen Stuck, Laken Frericks, Shelby Peterson, Mariah Taylor and Ruth Phillips. Front row: Gabrielle Morgan, Madison Smith, Trevor Toennies, Jared Fischer, Hunter Wood, Alex Boekelheide, Logan Brown, Casey Kulm, Haley Wetzler and Katrina Frericks.

#### 1. Thanks, Mom and Dad!

Senior Adrianna Lutter gives her parents a hug and flower during the graduation ceremony.



#### 2. First One Out of the House...

Senior Katrina Frericks gives her mother a hug during the ceremony; Katrina was the first child from the Anne and Stacey Frericks family to graduate from high school.



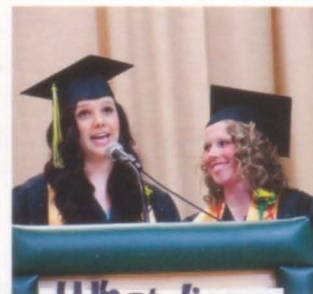
#### 3. ...Last One Out of the House.

Senior Haley Wetzler gives her mom a hug and flower during the graduation ceremony. Haley was the last of five children from the Wetzler family to graduate from high school.



#### Many Thanks

Senior Alex Boekelheide breaks down as he gives his speech, thanking those who made an impact on the class.



#### Reminiscing Fun Memories

Seniors Madison Smith and Laine Mielke look back on the memories that shaped the class of 2012.



#### Welcome, Everyone!

Senior Laken Frericks gives the welcome to the audience.

#### Number One in the Class

Senior Mariah Taylor receives her diploma from school board president Bobbie Lerew. Taylor graduated as the number one student in the class, as well as highest honors, opportunity scholar and United Blood Service Hero.



**Firm Hand Shake**  
Senior Hunter Wood shakes Mrs. Bobbie Lerew's hand while receiving his diploma.



**All Smiles!**  
Senior Logan Brown very happily takes his diploma during the graduation ceremony.



**Finally!**  
Senior Kathleen Stuck proudly receives her diploma at graduation.



**Congratulations!**  
Mrs. Bobbie Lerew rewards senior Ruth Phillips with her diploma.

# Graduation

Graduates Go Green one last time.

On May 13, 1012, 19 graduates walked the halls of Northwestern for the last time. With tears of both joy and sadness, along with feelings of excitement, the class of 2012 received diplomas and assurance that their thirteen years of hard work paid off.

Class colors were green and gold, accompanied by a yellow gerbera daisy as the class flower. The class motto was, "What lies behind us and what lies ahead of us are small matters compared to what lies within us," by Ralph Waldo Emerson.

"Graduation went really well. I am really glad to be done with high school and really excited to move on to the next stage in my life!" senior Adrianna Lutter said.

Three speakers were included in the ceremony; Madison Smith and Laine Mielke offered wisdom and reminisced memories in a joint speech, while Alex Boekelheide gave thanks and appreciation to classmates, teachers and parents.

Four members of the class graduated with highest honors, three graduated with honors and three completed requirements and graduated as opportunity scholars. Thirteen students donated blood three or more times during their high school career and graduated as United Blood Service Heroes.

Gabrielle Morgan  
Shelby Peterson

Jared Fischer

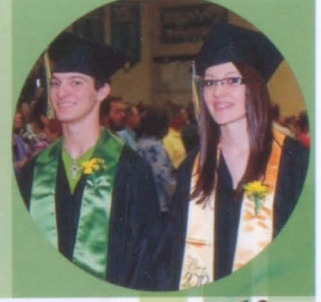
Trevor Toennies  
Jussy Tuscherer

Casey Kulm  
Jennifer Lefforge



"After thirteen years here, I'm excited to finally get out of here!"

-Senior Jared Fischer



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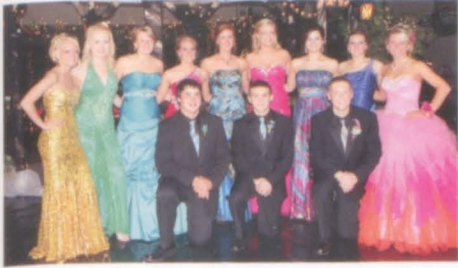


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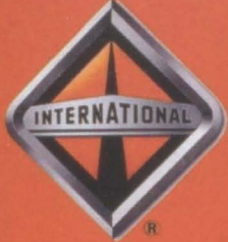
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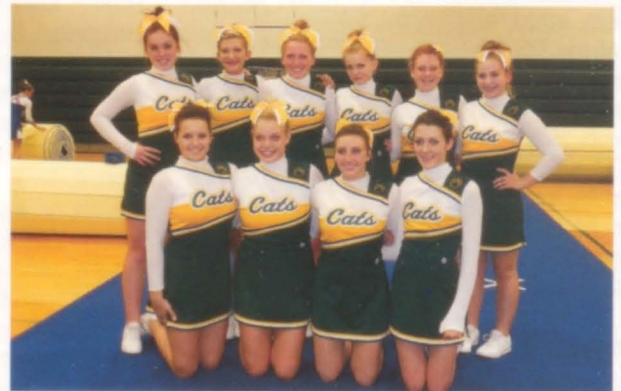
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excited to be a four-th-grader!

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excited for summer,

finally done with high school, but it's

I'm glad that I'm

I think I

will probably miss being

the young est in

junior high the most!

I. Bauer, 6



playing with my friends!" **K. Stuck, 3**

"I had fun playing on the playground and this year. My favorite was



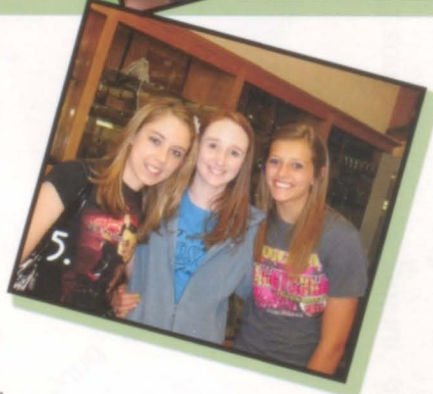
"It's like Cheers- everyone knows your name!" **C. Oliveira, 11**

"I am most excited about

next year!" **K. Bade, 10**

finally getting a top locker

1. Lockers in the high school area remain open for the summer after the students have left the school building. 2. Elementary students take full advantage of a warm day for recess by playing kickball. 3. Eighth-graders Allison Braun, Andrea Rausch and Darienne Frericks enjoy a beautiful evening of football. 4. Freshman Tessa Rush takes a drink from her water during lunch on the last day of school. 5. Freshmen Julia Sparling, Haley Grandpre and Jordon Peterson pose for the camera before they check out and officially become sophomores.



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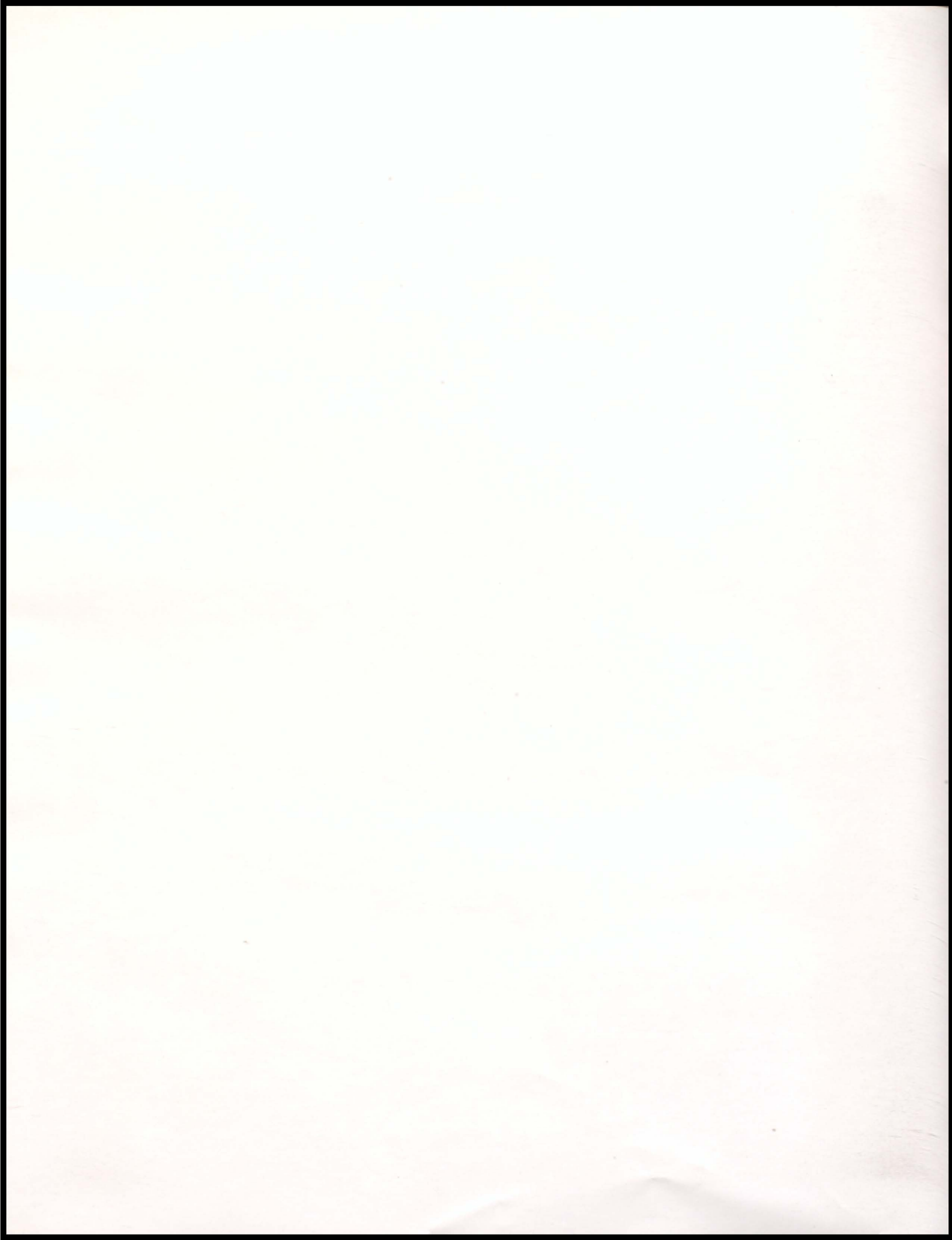
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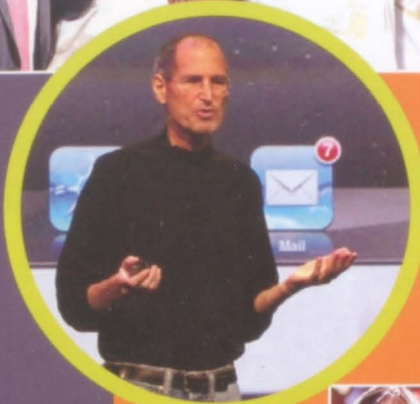




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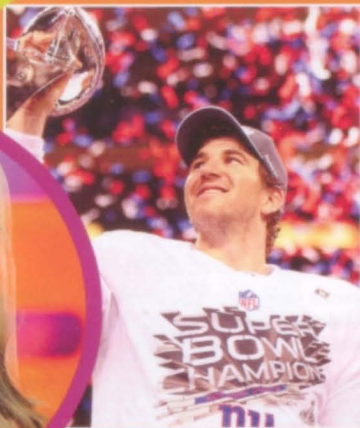
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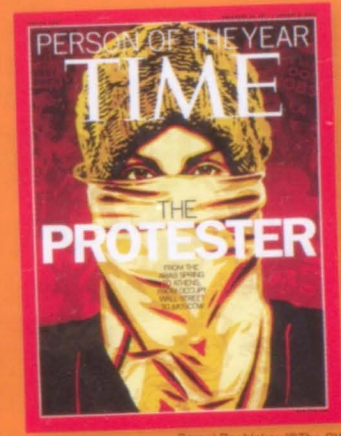
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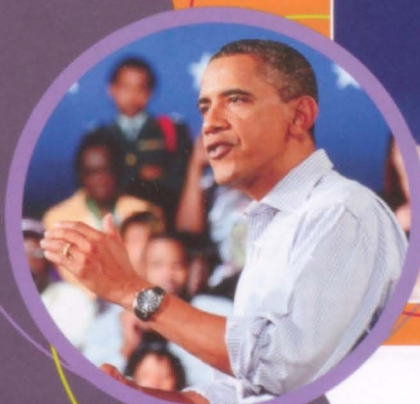
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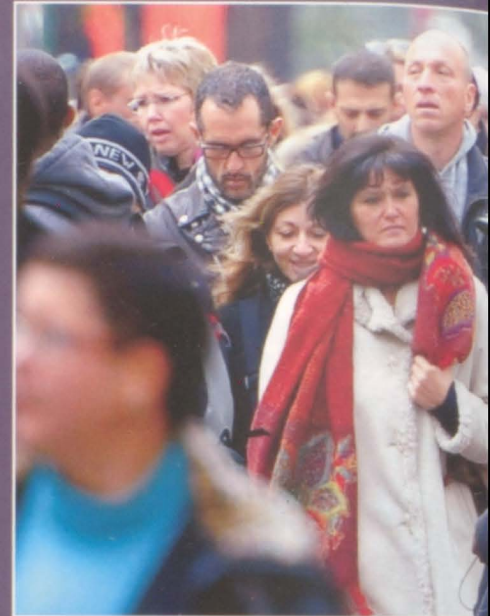


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### Occupy Wall Street Occupies Headlines

Outrage over bank bailouts and foreclosures sparks a protest movement that spreads from New York's Zuccotti Park to cities across the nation.

### Space Shuttle Program Ends

The nation's budget woes force NASA to cancel a 30-year program that shuttles U.S. astronauts to and from the International Space Station.

### You Are One in 7 Billion

In October, the United Nations expresses concern over the planet's food supply now that the world population has reached an all-time high of 7 billion.

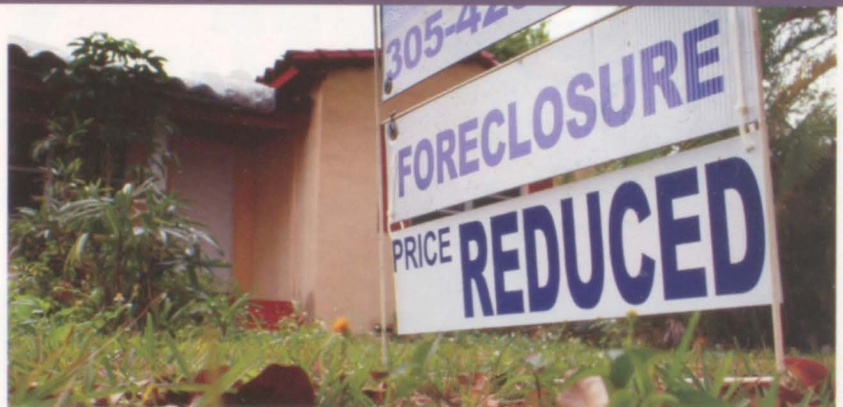
# News



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### Statue of Liberty Turns 125

Lady Liberty celebrates her 125th anniversary. To mark the occasion, 125 immigrants from 46 countries are sworn in as U.S. citizens.



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### New Foreclosure Relief Is Coming

The government passed a near unanimous 26 billion dollar mortgage settlement, supported by 49 of the 50 states. The settlement is geared towards those affected by the housing crash that now owe more on their houses than they're actually worth.



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### Halloween Blizzard Brings Tricky Snowfall

A surprise Nor'easter dumps record snowfalls of more than two feet in the Northeast, leaving millions stranded without power on Halloween.



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### Doctor Convicted in Michael Jackson's Death

Conrad Murray, Michael Jackson's personal physician, is convicted of involuntary manslaughter for his role in the pop star's anesthetic overdose.



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### Arab Spring Extends Through Fall

Middle East regimes topple with the death of Libya's Muammar Gaddafi and the ouster of Egypt's Hosni Mubarak and Tunisian dictator Zine El Abidine Ben Ali.



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### Hurricane Irene Engulfs New England

Hurricane Irene unleashes torrential rains on New England, resulting in washed-out roads and swollen rivers. One woman is swept away and drowned.

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### Cruise Ship Capsizes

The *Costa Concordia* runs aground off the Italian coast near the Isola del Giglio, resulting in numerous casualties.

### Death of Bin Laden Catches Nation's Attention

The United States watched as news came in about the death of Osama Bin Laden, following the Seal Team 6 raid on the terrorist leader's Pakistan compound.

### U.S. Troops Leave Iraq

The withdrawal of U.S. troops from Iraq ends in December, concluding eight years of war and occupation.



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### Greek Economy Endangers European Stability

European nations offer bailout loans and urge austerity measures to keep the Greek debt crisis from damaging the Euro-Zone economy.



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### Amanda Knox Acquitted

Italian courts overturn the murder conviction of American college student Amanda Knox. She returns home to Seattle after serving four years in prison.



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### Legislators Take Bullying Seriously

To address increasing concern over harassment in schools, Michigan becomes the 47th U.S. state to pass laws that are written to combat bullying.



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### Obama Introduces Jobs Act

To boost the sluggish economy, President Obama presents Congress with the American Jobs Act, a bill designed to put citizens back to work.



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### Navy Rescues Iranian Crew from Pirates

In the North Arabian Sea, the USS *Kidd*, a U.S. Navy warship, rescues the crew of an Iranian fishing boat from Somali pirates.



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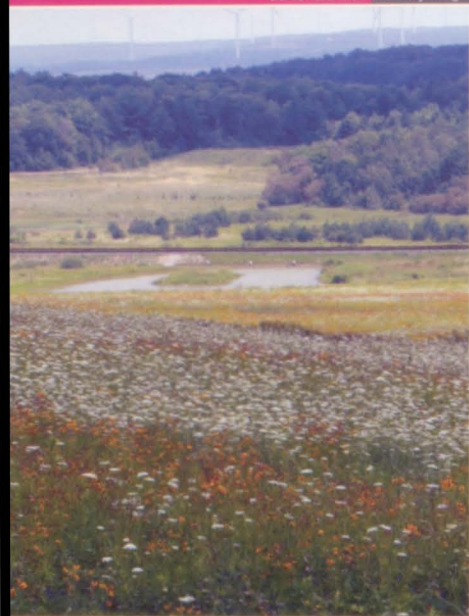
### Republican Hopefuls Debate

A series of nationally televised debates narrows the field as candidates vie for the 2012 Republican presidential nomination.

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# The Nation Remembers 9/11

On the tenth anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, memorial events are held in New York, Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C.

# Give & Take



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## Watson Gets a Government Job

After trouncing human *Jeopardy* champions, Watson, the IBM supercomputer, analyzes pharmaceutical patent data for the National Institutes of Health.

## Post Office Posts Losses

After sustaining a record \$14.4 billion loss for its 2012 fiscal year, the U.S. Post Office asks consultants to advise them about restructuring.

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# United States Post Office

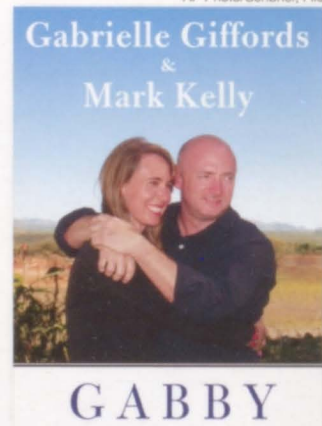
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## Consumers Trash Junk Mail

Households across the nation are taking steps to reduce the paper waste of unwanted junk mail from catalog companies and advertisers.

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## Gabby Giffords Pens Memoir

One year after she was shot by a would-be assassin, Representative Gabby Giffords and her husband publish a memoir.



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## Coupon Clipping Continues

Coupons are a lifestyle trend as consumers emulate super-thrifty shoppers featured on TV shows like *Extreme Couponing* on TLC.



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## School Buildings Go Green

States are adopting green building practices so that school buildings can save energy and use fewer resources.



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### Tuscaloosa Survives Tornado

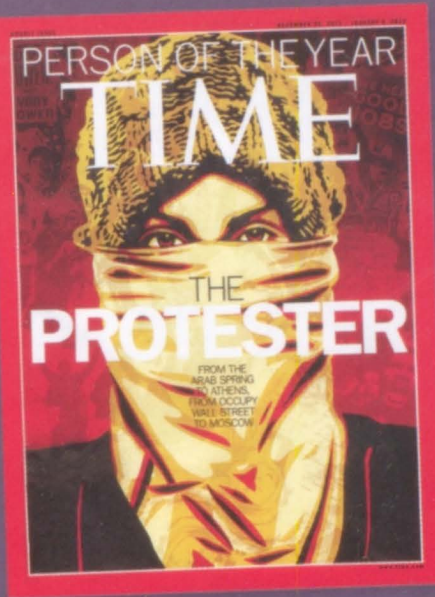
When a tornado hits the town of Tuscaloosa, these University of Alabama students seek shelter in a bathtub under a mattress.

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### Steve Jobs Dies

Apple co-founder Steve Jobs, a pioneer in the personal computing and consumer electronics fields, dies at age 56 of pancreatic cancer.



### "The Protester" Is Person of the Year

As demonstrations in Tunisia, Egypt, Libya, Syria, and New York make headlines, *Time* magazine names "The Protester" as 2011's Person of the Year.

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### Women Leaders Share Nobel Peace Prize

Liberian peace activist Leymah Gbowee, Liberian President Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, and Tawakkol Karman of Yemen all receive the Nobel Peace Prize.



### New LED Lightbulbs Shine for Decades

Pricey, Energy Star-rated LED bulbs debut in stores and outshine compact fluorescent bulbs, lasting five times longer.

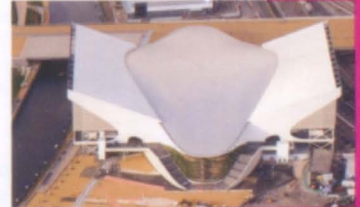


### New Standards Regulate Fracking Practices

Regulators announce national anti-pollution standards to oversee the natural gas industry's practice of hydraulic fracturing, or fracking.

### YouTube Request Snags Timberlake

Corporal Kelsey de Santis successfully asks Justin Timberlake to be her date for the Marine Corps Ball by posting a video on YouTube.



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### London Builds an Eco-savvy Olympic Park

Green building practices transform former industrial land into London's Olympic Park for the 2012 Summer Games.



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### Airlines Fly Toward Greener Fuels

Seeking to decrease greenhouse gas emissions and shrink their carbon footprint, passenger jets are starting to switch to new bio-fuels.



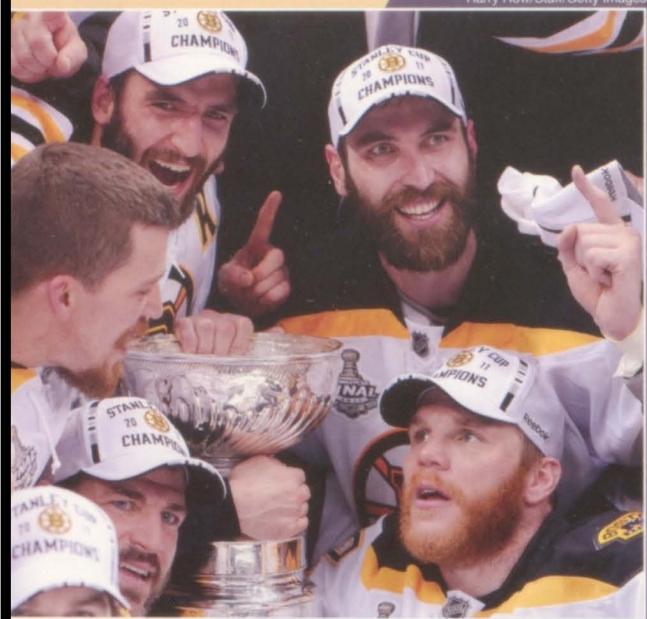
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### Joplin Mall Is Makeshift School

After Missouri's Joplin High School is destroyed by a tornado, students attend class at nearby Northpark Mall.



Lance Cpl. Emmanuel Ramos/ Marine Corps Base Quantico Public Affairs/AP Photo



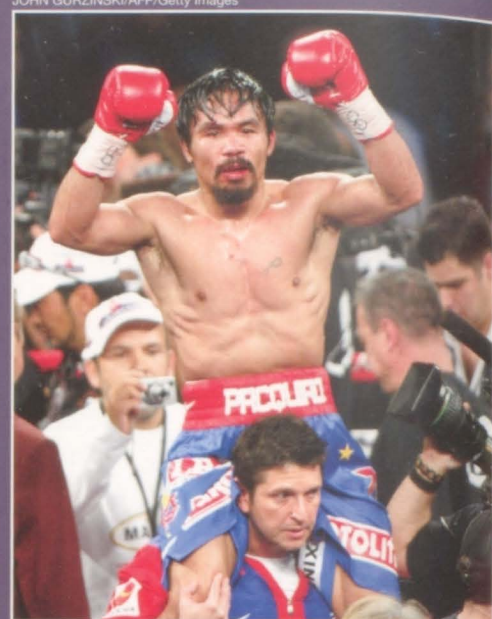
### Boston Bruins Bear Down

Following their first Stanley Cup win in 39 years, the Boston Bruins keep the momentum going strong with a solid 2011-2012 season.



### Skaters Gather in Brazil

Lincoln Ueda, Tony Hawk and other world-class skateboarders headline a "Jump" festival at Ibirapuera gym in Sao Paulo, Brazil.



### Manny Pacquiao Holds His Title

In Las Vegas, WBO Welterweight champ Manny Pacquiao successfully defends his title against Juan Manuel Márquez.

# Sports



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### Teen Is Youngest LPGA Tour Winner

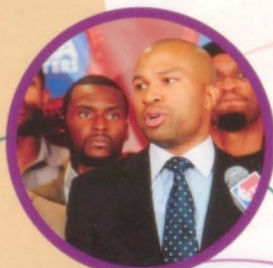
Lexi Thompson, age 16, wins her first LPGA tournament, the Navistar LPGA Classic, making her the youngest winner in the history of the LPGA Tour.



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### St. Louis Cardinals Win World Series

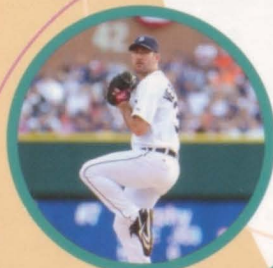
With a win over the Texas Rangers in seven games, the St. Louis Cardinals take home their 11th World Series victory.



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### Basketball Players End Strike

The 2011 NBA lockout ends as basketball team owners and players strike a deal. The start of the season is delayed until Christmas.



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### Verlander Receives Cy Young Award

Justin Verlander of the Detroit Tigers is American League MVP and winner of the 2011 Cy Young Award.



AP Kevin Terrell

### Talking Tebow

Sports announcers and fans debate over Denver Broncos quarterback Tim Tebow, an athlete who wears his faith on the sleeve of his football jersey.



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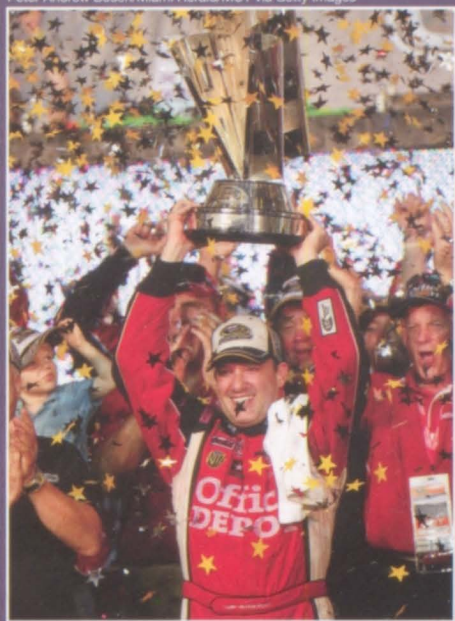
### Minnesota Lynx Net WNBA Championship

The Minnesota Lynx defeat the Atlanta Dream in three games to claim their first-ever WNBA championship.

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### First Lady Gets a Kick Out of Fitness

Members of the U.S. Women's National Soccer Team join Michelle Obama for a Let's Move soccer clinic on the south lawn of the White House.

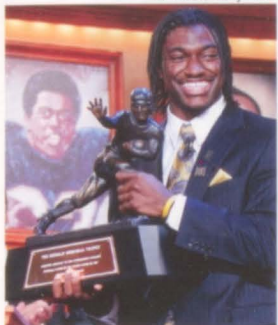
### Tony Stewart Races to NASCAR Victory

In the season's final race of the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series at Homestead-Miami Speedway, Stewart edges out Carl Edwards in a tiebreaker.

### Stosur Wins U.S. Open

Australian tennis player Samantha Stosur defeats Serena Williams to win the women's singles championship at the U.S. Open.

AP Photo/Kelly Kline



### Baylor Gets Its First Heisman Winner

Robert Griffin III, starting quarterback for the Baylor University Bears, is named the winner of the Heisman Trophy award.



### JoePa Loses His Battle with Lung Cancer

Joe Paterno, the beloved college football coach who led the Penn State Nittany Lions to a record-breaking 409 victories, dies at age 85.

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### Sports Illustrated Honors Coaches

The Sportswoman and Sportsman of the Year awards go to college basketball coaches Pat Summitt and Mike Krzyzewski.



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### New York Wins Super Bowl Trophy

Eli Manning leads the New York Giants to their fourth Super Bowl triumph, narrowly defeating the New England Patriots 21 to 17.



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### Dallas Mavericks Beat the Heat

The Dallas Mavericks ice the Miami Heat dream team and LeBron James by winning the 2011 NBA World Championship in Game 6.

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### Women Gymnasts Garner Gold

The U.S. women's team brings home gold medals from the Artistic Gymnastics World Championships in Tokyo.

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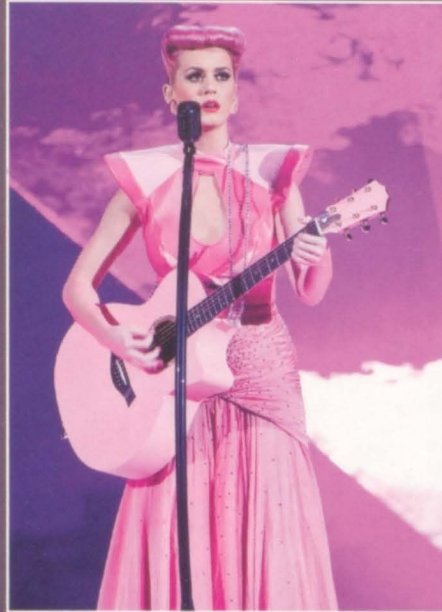
### Kelly Slater Rules the Waves

By winning top honors at the Billabong Pro Tahiti competition, surfer Kelly Slater captures his 47th elite World Tour victory.



### Usher on the Upswing

Usher wins the AMA Favorite Male Artist award, performs with Justin Bieber for NBC's *Christmas in Rockefeller Center* and reunites with Ludacris.



### Katy Perry Stays on Top

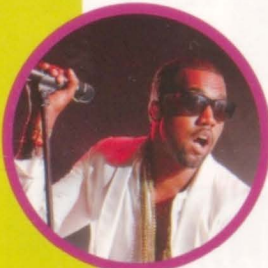
Katy Perry is the year's most-played artist on the radio, with five Number One singles. She sells two million albums and 24 million digital downloads.



### The Rising Star, Bruno Mars

Singer-songwriter Bruno Mars receives six Grammy nominations, an AMA Award for best Pop/Rock Male Artist, and sings with the Muppets on *Sesame Street*.

# Music



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### Kanye's Lucky Seven

Hip-hop superstar and producer Kanye West receives a total of seven 2012 Grammy nominations, more than any other artist for the season.



Mark Humphrey/AP Photo

### Lady A. Owns the Night

Nashville's Lady Antebellum hits the country charts with "Just a Kiss," from their third studio album, *Own the Night*.



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### Adele Turns 21

Despite vocal cord trouble that forces her to suspend touring, Adele is Billboard's Number One artist of 2011 and her album, *21*, is the year's top seller.



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### Hot Chelle Rae Is Getting Hotter

Hot Chelle Rae signs with RCA, wins a Best New Artist award from the American Music Association and releases the band's second album, *Whatever*.



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### Whitney Houston Dies at Age 48

The music industry and fans alike were stunned about the death of music icon, Whitney Houston. Her body was found unresponsive on Saturday, February 11th in her Los Angeles hotel room.

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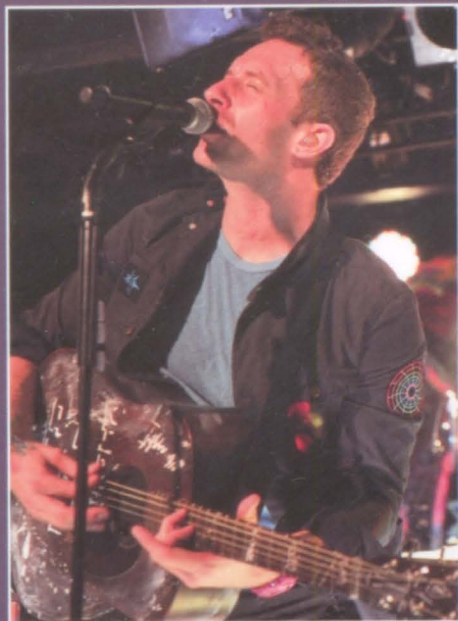
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### Jennifer Lopez Goes Solo

After the tabloids cover her split from husband Marc Anthony, Jennifer Lopez wins a Favorite Latin Artist Award from the American Music Awards.



### Coldplay Plays It Cool

Coldplay releases its fifth album, *Mylo Xyloto*, and streams a concert in Spain as a live webcast on YouTube.



### Gaga Visits Obama

Lady Gaga drops in on President Obama to lend her support to his anti-bullying campaign, according to a White House senior advisor's blog.

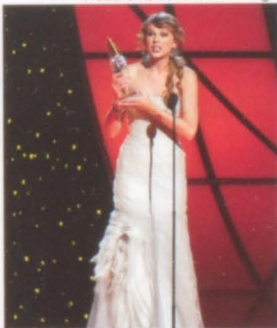
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### Maroon 5 Moves Like Winners

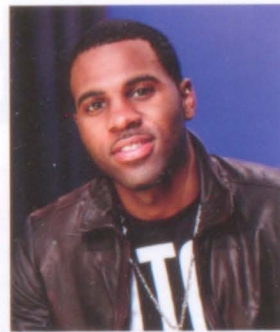
Maroon 5 wins an AMA Pop/Rock Favorite Band award. The cast of *Glee* covers the band's hit single, "Moves Like Jagger."

Frederick Breerton IV/FilmMagic



### Taylor Made Good

Singer-songwriter Taylor Swift releases her *Speak Now World Tour: Live* album and is named CMA Entertainer of the Year.



### Jason Derulo Recovers from Fracture

Singer-songwriter Jason Derulo lands in the hospital and cancels a planned UK tour after fracturing his neck while rehearsing acrobatic stage moves.

Richard Drew/AP Photo



### The Merry Band Perry

Siblings Kimberly, Neil, and Reid Perry of The Band Perry celebrate a Platinum album, three CMA Awards and a Grammy nomination.

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### Natalie Grant Gets Grammy Nod

Singer Natalie Grant receives a Grammy nomination for Best Gospel/Contemporary Christian Music Performance, for "Alive (Mary Magdalene)."



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### Casting Crowns Hit the Town

The acclaimed contemporary Christian rock group, Casting Crowns, launches a tour to promote its latest album, *Come to the Well*.



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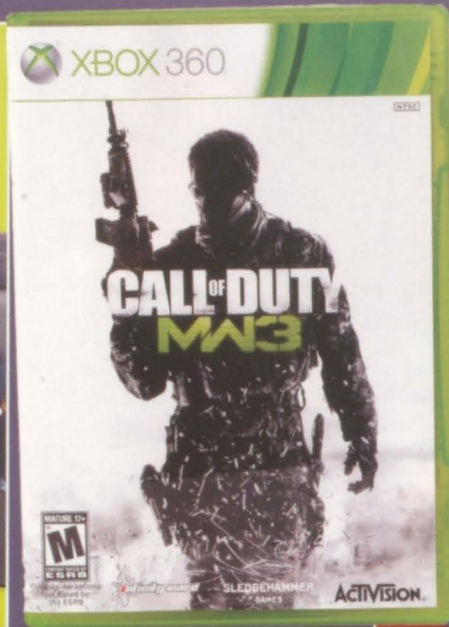
### Foster the People Pumps Up

More than a year after the catchy single's release, "Pumped Up Kicks," by Foster the People, finally reaches the top of the singles chart.



**Polaroid Pictures to Go**

The Pogo instant digital camera from Polaroid prints its own snapshots to share in less than a minute.



**Call of Duty Earns \$400 Million**

The debut of *Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 3* is the most successful game launch in history, according to Activision Blizzard, Inc.



**No Glasses Required for Nintendo "3DS"**

The newest Nintendo 3DS device features a no-glasses 3D screen and allows players to record 3D video footage.

# Entertainment



**Super Mario 3D Land Conquers a New Dimension**

Developed for the Nintendo 3DS, *Super Mario 3D Land* receives rave reviews for its addictive 3D experience.



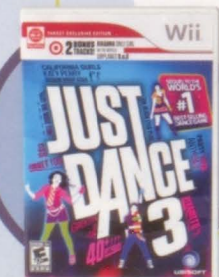
**Angry Birds Goes Mobile**

The humorous and addictive computer game, *Angry Birds*, is one of the most successful mobile apps in the world.



**Readers Welcome The Son of Neptune**

Troubled teenage demigod Percy Jackson returns for more adventure in the second book of the *Heroes of Olympus* series.



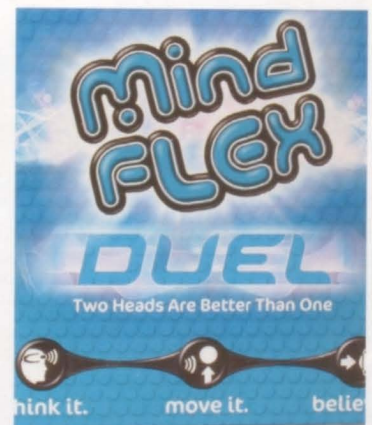
**Just Dance 3 Steps Out**

Ubisoft releases *Just Dance 3*, featuring singles by Katy Perry, Cee Lo Green, Britney Spears, Scissor Sisters, and The Black Eyed Peas.



**Madden NFL 12 Scores Big**

EA Sports adds non-NFL players like female quarterback Hope Bromley to the free agents in *Madden NFL 12*, the newest edition of the popular video game.



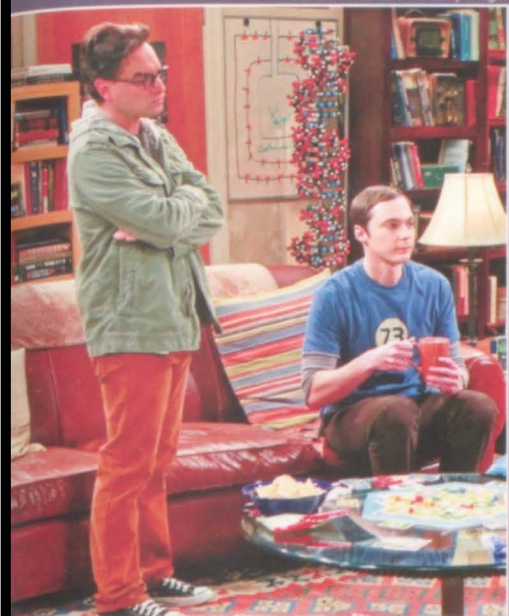
**Mindflex Duel Is a Brainy Game**

Mindflex Duel players wear special, brain wave-sensing headsets to steer foam balls through the air and around obstacles.

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### More Bang for the Buck

*The Big Bang Theory*, a popular sitcom about geeky research scientists and the women in their lives, is in its fifth season.

### Missing Michael at the Office

Critics and fans tune into the eighth season of *The Office* to see how the ensemble cast fares after the departure of star Steve Carrell.

### Bewitching Teens Cast a Spell

When Cassie Blake moves to a small town in Washington State, the teen is invited to join a coven of witches in *The Secret Circle*.

### Victors in Storage Wars

In southern California, abandoned storage lockers are sold at auction to competing buyers who hope to find hidden treasure in *Storage Wars* on A&E.



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### X Marks The Spot

Simon Cowell is set to kick off season two of the U.S. version of the *X-Factor*. This year's competition will feature new judges to replace Paula Abdul and Nicole Sherzinger, as well as a new host.

# Television



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### NBC Finds Its Voice

Christina Aguilera, Cee Lo Green, Adam Levine and Blake Shelton compete to coach unknown singers to victory in the reality talent show, *The Voice*.



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### Big Stars on Small Screen

*Mike & Molly*, a sitcom about an obese couple who start dating after they meet at an Overeaters Anonymous meeting, is in its second season.



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### Vermin, Beware

An eccentric Louisiana exterminator works the front lines of his family business in the reality show *Billy the Exterminator*.

### CBS Captures Viewers Interest

A mysterious billionaire scientist hires a former CIA officer to help him prevent crimes before they occur. The crime drama, *Person of Interest*, is a hit for CBS.



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### Playing the Pawn

The History Channel has a hit with *Pawn Stars*, featuring the Harrison family and selected treasures from their Las Vegas pawn shop.

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### Lionsgate Releases *The Hunger Games*

Jennifer Lawrence and Woody Harrelson star in *The Hunger Games*, a film adaptation of the popular science fiction novel.

### A Winning Season

Brad Pitt and Jonah Hill star in *Moneyball*, based on the true story of the Oakland Athletics' record-breaking 2002 season.

### A Dark and Stormy Knight

Batman (Christian Bale) returns to Gotham to uncover the truth about Selina Kyle (Anne Hathaway) in *The Dark Knight Rises*.

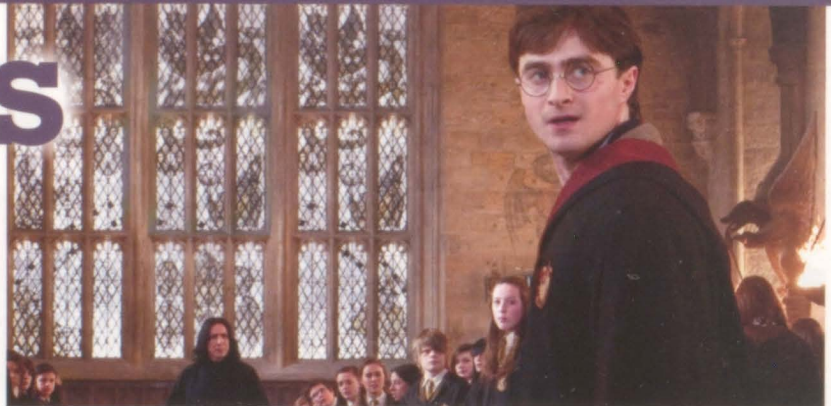
# Movies



### The Boys Are Back

Robert Downey, Jr. and Jude Law return as Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson in Guy Ritchie's *Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows*.

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### Harry Potter Series Finale on Home Video

After inspiring moviegoers to camp out for the first midnight showings, *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2* comes to home video.

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### Agent J Returns

Josh Brolin joins Will Smith, Tommy Lee Jones and some seriously sinister aliens in the long-awaited science fiction comedy sequel, *Men in Black 3*.

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### War Horse Sells Tickets and Tissues

When a boy's beloved thoroughbred is sold to an Army captain on the eve of World War I, a deeply moving drama is set in motion in *War Horse*.



### The Revenge of the 99 Percent

When the boss squanders their retirement savings, the little people get even. Ben Stiller and Eddie Murphy star in the crime comedy, *Tower Heist*.



### Chronicle Flies into Theaters

Three students discover they have superpowers far beyond their understanding. As their powers grow, so does their dark side to use them to their advantage. Their lives take unexpected turns as they try to deal with the unexplainable changes.

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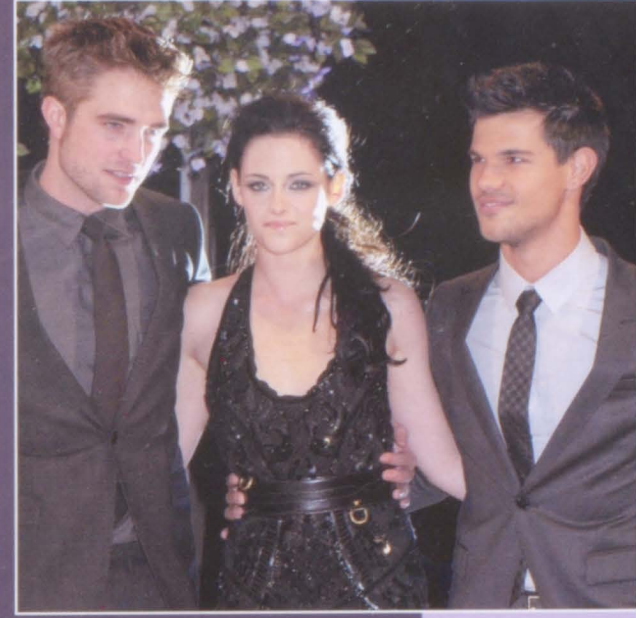
### Animal House

Matt Damon stars as a well-meaning widower who brings his young children to live in a rundown zoo in *We Bought a Zoo*.



### Make Some Noise

Queen Latifah and Dolly Parton star in *Joyful Noise*, about conflicts within a Georgia church choir as the group prepares for a national competition.



### Breaking Dawn Breaks Records

*The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn - Part 1*, the fourth installment in the series, earns \$500 million in its first 12 days in theaters.

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### A Boy and His Dog

Steven Spielberg and Peter Jackson collaborate on the dazzling 3-D, performance-capture film, *The Adventures of Tintin: The Secret of the Unicorn*.



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### Live Action Adventure Is Out of This World

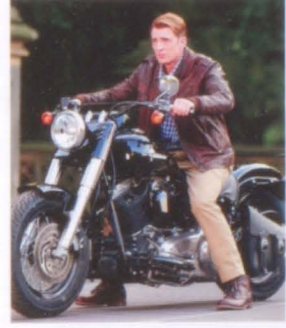
Disney delights sci-fi fans with *John Carter*, which chronicles the adventures of a Confederate captain who is drawn into conflict on another planet.



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### Superheroes Save the World

A cast of superstars portray Marvel Comics superheroes recruited to battle an evil villain and his army in the theatrical release, *The Avengers*.



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### Heartstrings in Hawaii

George Clooney plays Matt King, who loses his wife but keeps his land and draws closer to his two young daughters in *The Descendants*.



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### Super 8 Is Super Spooky

After teens witness a train accident in a small Ohio town, strange occurrences lead to extraterrestrial suspense in *Super 8*.



### The Help Is a Hit

In the early 1960s, an idealistic, Caucasian writer wants to write about the struggles of the African-American maids who serve her peers in *The Help*.



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### Hoodies Are Classic Casuals

Comfortable, cozy and laid-back hoodie sweatshirts convey an easy going attitude toward style.

### Equestrian Style Steps Out

The classic, English-style riding boot, worn with skirts or tucked-in skinny jeans, is one of the strongest footwear trends for fall and winter.

### Pandora Opens Beaded Bracelet Craze

Pandora charm bracelets from Denmark bring design-your-own style and sparkling self-expression to the jewelry store.

# Trends



### From Locker Room to Classroom

As temperatures drop, comfortable, cozy, high-performance sweat pants make the leap from gym class to everywhere-wear.



### Energy Drinks as Teen Fuel Both Popular and Controversial

The caffeine and sugar in popular but controversial energy drinks fuel teens to help stay awake for late-night study sessions and socializing.



### Cardigans Go Retro

A modern adaptation of the mid-century classic cardigan adds an extra layer of color, warmth, and style.



### Aviator Shades Are Retro Chic

A new generation embraces the iconic shades of the 1970s. Metal-rimmed, aviator-style sunglasses make a stylish comeback.



### Shaggy Chic

Tall, fringed suede boots add a touch of irreverent, hippie chic to short skirts, leggings, or tucked-in jeans.

### Layers Make the Look

Layering is one of the strongest trends for fall and winter. Mixing textures and lengths, like a cropped jacket over a long top, creates looks that are both cozy and cool.



### Mismatched Socks Are No Accident

Bending the rules is always in style. Students express their creativity by mixing brightly colored, patterned, mismatched socks.



### The Time Is Right for the Neon Watch

One of the must-have accessories for both guys and girls is a big, chunky watch in bright, neon hue.



### Stepping Out in Ballet Flats

Cute, comfortable, versatile ballet flats go with just about everything from school outfits to party attire.



### Yogurt Goes Greek

Greek-style yogurt, which is creamier and less sour than ordinary yogurt, adds more delicious options to the dairy case.

### Nail Polish Crackles

Ordinary manicures get contrast, color and texture with special, crackle-effect topcoat formulas.

### Boy Style

Whether they're boot cut, skinny or loose fit, jeans are still the focus of today's style. Just throw on your favorite tee or hoodie and you're good to go!



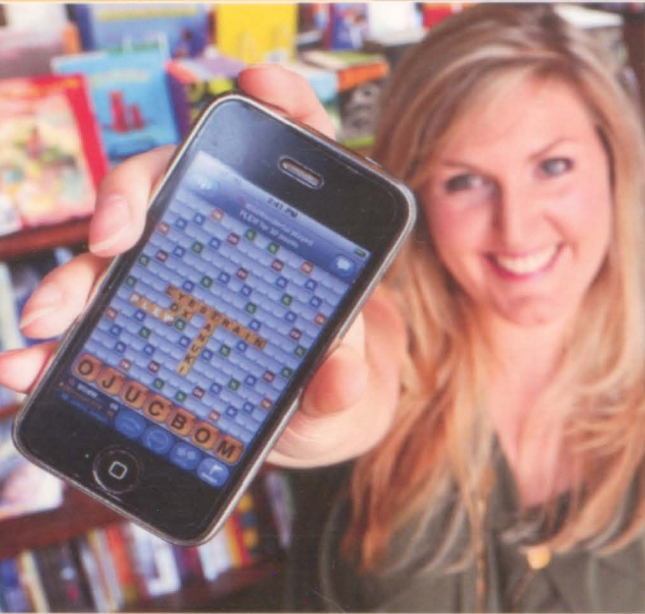
### Music Goes to Your Head

Dr. Dre introduces high-performance, over-ear headphones that cancel outside noise and enhance the listening experience.



### Faux Is a Go

The posh look and plush feel of faux fur inspires designers to go wild. Fabulous faux jackets, vests, collars and accessories are hot — and warm.



### Smartphone Users Love Wordplay

The number-one mobile word game is Zynga's addictive "Words with Friends," a cross-platform challenge for friends and strangers.



### Moviegoers Stay Home With Netflix

Netflix, a popular online movie rental service, delivers new flicks to home screens via instant streaming and discs in the mail.



### Oprah Moves On

Oprah Winfrey airs the final episode of her daytime television talk show after 25 seasons. The hour attracts 16.4 million viewers.

# Lifestyle



### Nike Makes It Personal

Online custom build-it functionality allows consumers to design their own Nike ID footwear, by specifying colors and performance features.

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### Walt Disney World Celebrates 40th Anniversary

The Walt Disney World Resort turns 40. The celebration at Magic Kingdom Park includes fireworks and a mass sing-along of "When You Wish Upon a Star."



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### Facebook Makes It Easier to Go Back in Time.

Facebook introduced its newest development, the Timeline this year. The recent change allows users to easily view everything from past photos, wall posts and status updates from any year they were subscribed to Facebook.



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### Kardashian Sisters Build Reality Show Empire

Between Kim's 72-day marriage, Kourtney's second pregnancy, and various scandals, the media can't resist covering the Kardashians' every move.



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### Tablet Computing Trends Upward

The tablet computing craze is going strong. Consumers can't resist the Apple iPad 2, as well as competitors like the Kindle Fire and the Transformer Prime.



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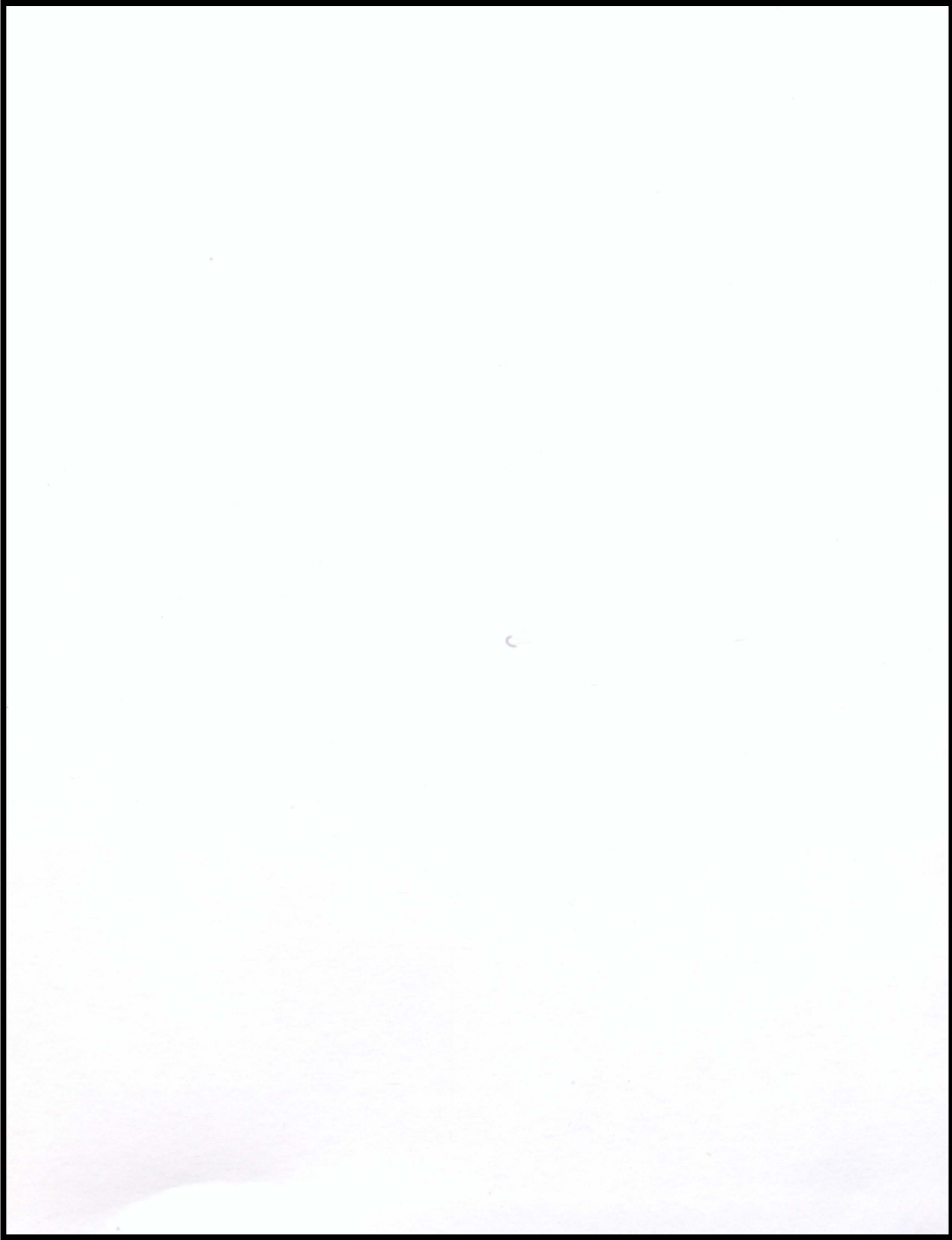
### Apple iPhone 4S Launches

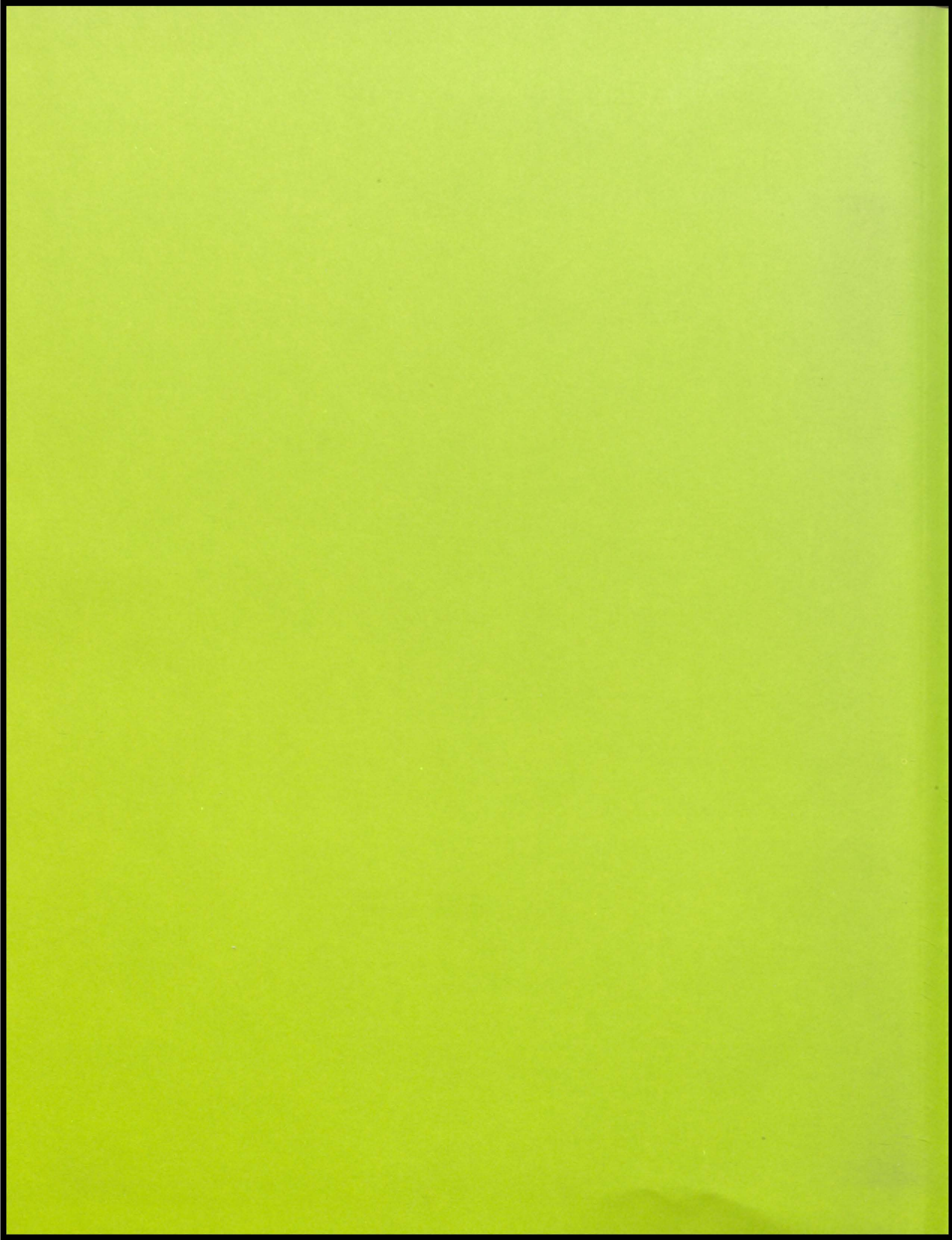
Apple unveils the iPhone 4S, which features an 8-megapixel camera and the same dual-core chip as the iPad.

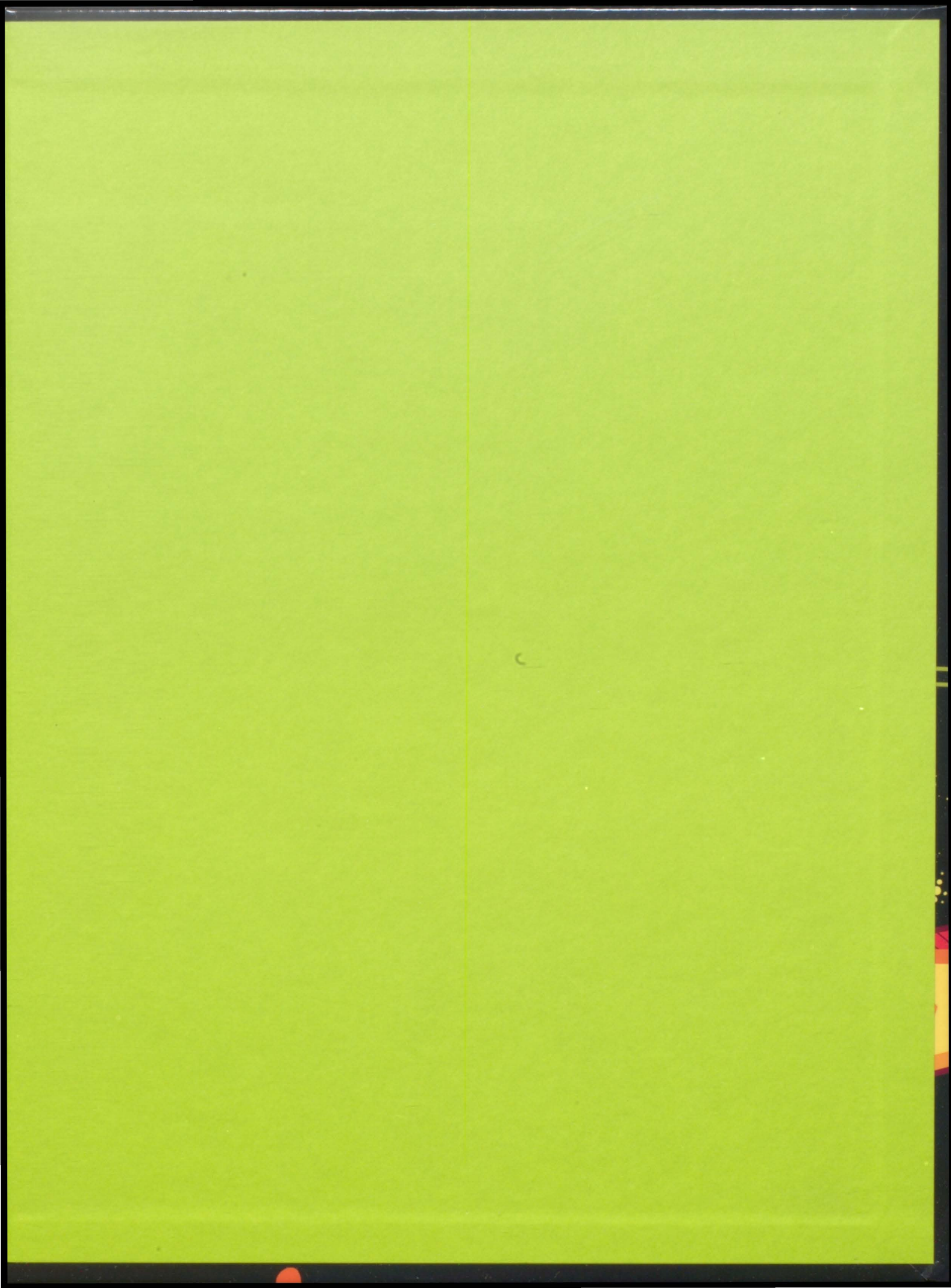


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