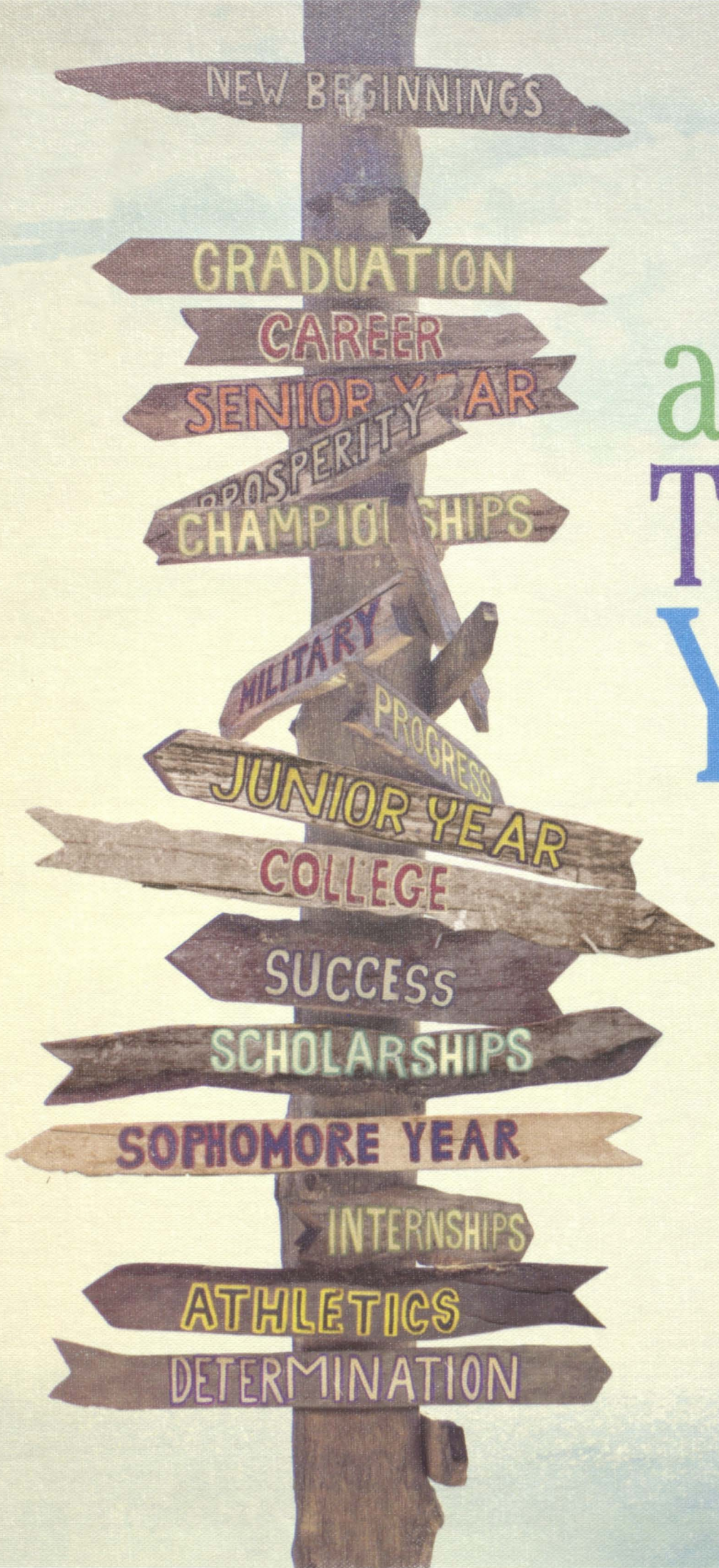


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Are We There Yet?

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On the corner of Syracuse-Webster Road and West Chicago Street stands an ordinary brick building.



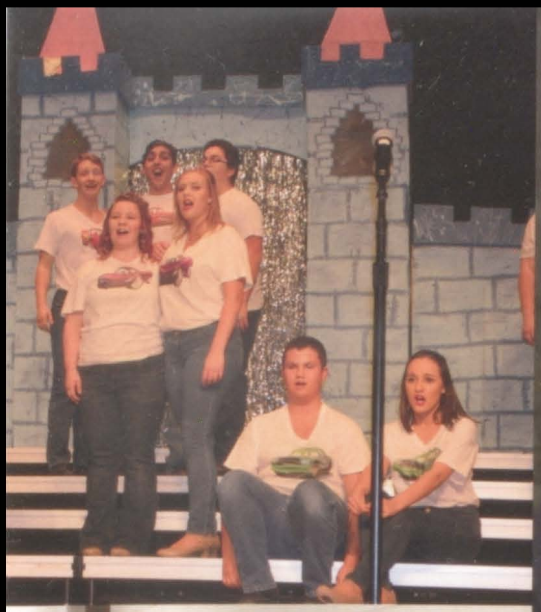
This is where a thirteen year journey ends, and the adventure of life begins. To some, the expedition from kindergarten to senior year makes you wonder "Are we there yet?" But the truth is, your trek through life is just starting. The journey will take you great distances, up mountains and through valleys. You may cross oceans and trek through forrests. The road you take may be straight and narrow or long and winding. But no matter where your adventure leads, one thing will always remain:

Wawasee will always be your home.

Are We

There

Yet?





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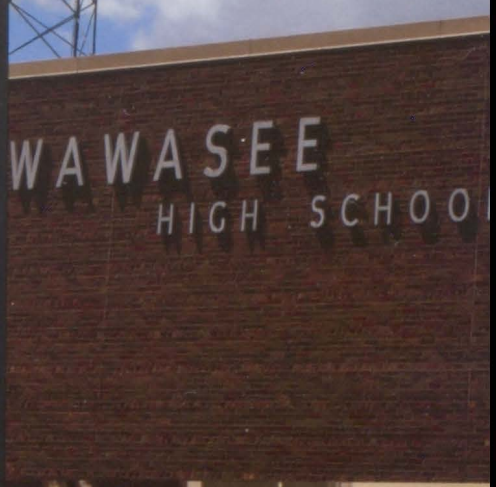
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Reagan Atwood (11), Mckenzie Smith (10), Lila Gregory (9), and Valeria Pizana (9) pace themselves in a cross country meet.



Students dance the nigh away at Semi Formal.



Amaya Rhodes (10), Cali Willaman (10), Nataleigh Friedrich (11), and Katrina Konieczny (10) ready to cheer on the Warriors to victory..



Seniors Krislynn Lancaster and Alexandra Fiscus preform in the fall play, "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory."



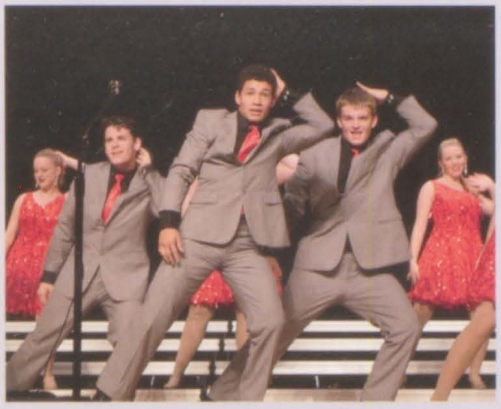
Senior atheletes pose together before their last fall sport season.



Sophomores Caleb Van Lue and Abigayle Stump strike up the band at a home football game.



Dalton Pearish (11) Michael Katzer (12) lead the Warriors in celebration after a win.



Xavier Ortiz (11) and Benjamin Meeks (10) dance in Vocal Motion at the fall concert.



The girls soccer team strikes a pose after a game .

Our journey starts here in Autumn. This is the season for football and soccer games. Time for cross country meets and tennis matches. Preparations for the fall play and semi formal are a big part of this time of year. Marching band also takes place during Autumn. These are just a few of many activities that happen during this lovely time of year.

Autumn

August-November

Across the Sea

Exchange students drop in for the year.

by the numbers

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NEW FACES

This year we have five foreign exchange students. Pascal Blatter, Quynh Le, Ebba Bjurman, Mariana Salguero, and Julie Christensen.

12,816

MILES TRAVELED

Ebba traveled 4,230 miles, Mariana traveled 2,642 miles, Pascal traveled 4,382 miles, Julie traveled 4,087 miles, and Quynh traveled 8,494.

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CONTINENTS REPRESENTED

Mariana is from Colombia, Julie is from Denmark, Quynh is from Vietnam, Ebba is from Sweden, and Pascal is from Switzerland.

>>Exploring New Horizons



Pascal Blatter

Well, a difference here is that there are only five classes, I have ten in Switzerland. Also, every class is with the same people at home, instead of switching classes like you do here. For tests there is a lot of muliple choice questions, which is so much easier. We only have tests in essay style, you have to know all the answers and no multiple choice at all. Also all the sports are provided by the school which creates an awesome school spirit. All of the sport activities in Switzerland are outside of the school.



Quynh Le

The biggest difference between Vietnamese and American culture is the food. Back in my country, I didn't eat as much fast food as I am now. In Vietnam, our dinner is very different. We eat a lot of dishes, along with rice. But, in America there is only one dish for dinner. The schooling is different because I would have to go to school six days a week at home. I also studied 13 of the same subjects both semeters in Vietnam. Here I only have to study five subjects which is much more relaxing.



Julie Christensen

The biggest difference is the food, I know that may sound weird but it's true. As for schooling, it is totally different here, everything is not what I'm used to. Homework back home isn't as big of a deal at home compared to what it is here. Back home, participation is more important, but homework is still required. At home, we also have different classes for different days.

Ebba Bjurman



I would probably say that the school is easier here than it is in Sweden. If you get a C+ on a test here, then that would probably get a D at home. Also, we use first names and not Mr. and Mrs. with last names after. Though there are many, one of the biggest is the people. Everyone here is so nice and polite. Some people say sorry even if I was the one walking into them. that would never happen in Sweden.

Mariana Salguero



Probably the biggest difference between Colombia's culture and the United States would be the food; Colombia's homemade food and meals are really different. School here is easier then in Colombia since you only study 5 classes each trimester and you can pick which classes you want to be in. In my school at home, we have to study 13 classes all year long. Also, in Colombia we stay in the same classroom with the same students. We dont' call our teachers by their last names either, we use their first names instead.

Wawasee loves welcoming our foreign exchange students each year! They teach us so much about other cultures, and we hope they enjor their time here.

Culture Shock

>>Trips abroad and foreign visitors give new perspectives.



German students after their escape room experience in Munich.

German students travelled to Europe and Germany this summer as a part of our exchange program with a school in Germany. Every other year, their school sends students to Wawasee for a three week experience, and on alternating years our students visit. This cross-cultural field trip is memorable for all!

hit the road

German students explore new places abroad.







Top left: (left to right) Gage Whitmar, Olivia Heim, Ariel Beck, Sarah Emigh, and Dustin Brown
Bottom left: Bus selfie with the German students and Frau.
Right side: Awesome looking ice cream rose.



Thumbs Up!

German students pose for a photo. Thumbs up and good times for an awesome trip!









Top right: Posing in front of the Mercedes - Benz Museum.
Top left: Germany, food, and peace signs!
Bottom right: Thumbs up for a great trip full of fun.
Bottom left: Cheesing for a group selfie!

Misc.

Students in the photos: Gage Whitmar, Jonas Clayton, Ariel Beck, Olivia Heim, Sarah Emigh, and Dustin Brown,









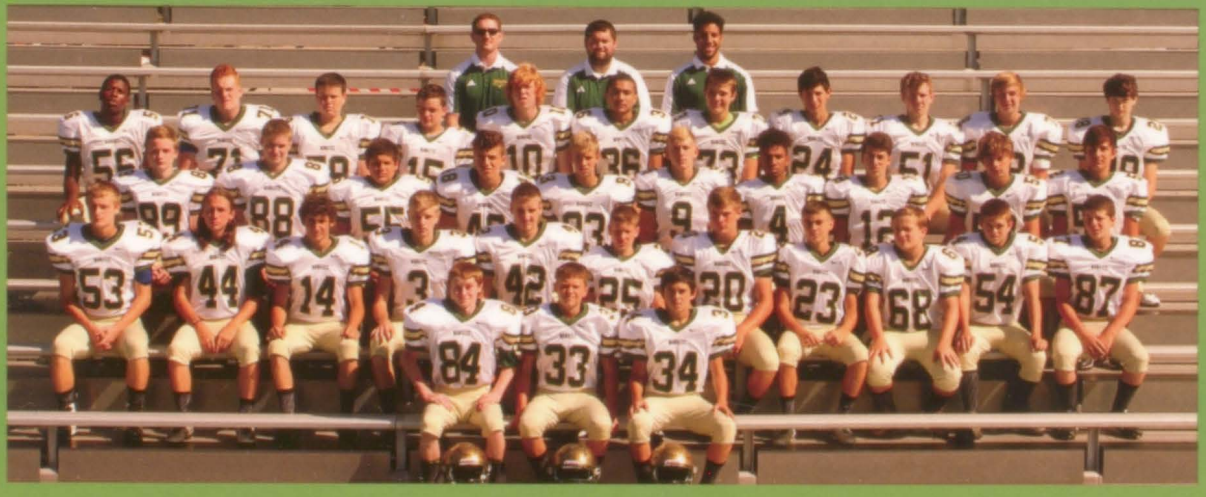


Yard by yard

Varsity and JV football



Freshman football







Above: The boys gather in front of the cworad to sing the fight song after winning the game. Right:The boys huddle up with managers Kellishandra Mendoza and Hannah Shelton bringing water to them.



Above: Jeremiah Dilly runs over to his team members after a tackle. Left: The boys line up ready to make a play. Bottom: The team watches from the sidelines waiting for the next play.













Q: How has football changed you, and prepared you for the future?



It gives you motivation to work hard and achieve goals, not just for myself, but for my teammates.
-Ethan Hardy, Freshman Quarterback



Football helps us all with leadership and teamwork to help everyone perform their best.
-Aaron Evans, JV Quarterback



Football teaches you discipline, responsibility, and how to be reliable so your teammates can count on you.
-Tyler Smith, Varsity Quarterback

This year football team had a great year. You could always see how much they supported each other. They came to each others games to show support. They grew together has a family. They always had each others backs on and off the field.



Meg Heinisch dribbles the ball down the field on a breakaway



Alyssa Bolyard controls the ball.



Leigh Ann Shrack traps the ball away from the opponent.

All About the Journey

Girls Soccer Improves From '15 Season



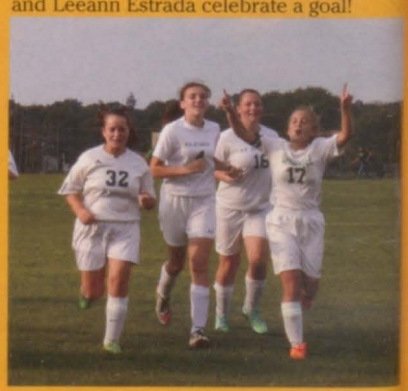
Natalie Winters fights for the ball.



Meghan Beer takes the ball away from the opponent



Kayla Estrada, Meghan Beer, Megan Bray, and Leeann Estrada celebrate a goal!





Hannah Lancaster looks to pass the ball to a teammate.



Leeann Estrada clears the ball across the field.



This year the girls soccer team improved from last year. Last year the season record was 3 wins 13 losses and 1 tie. This year the record was 5 wins and 12 losses. There were three times as many goals scored this year and last year. Leigh Ann Shrack (Senior) scored 10 goals throughout this season being the top scorer.



Back row: Coach Doug Heinisch, Assisstant Coach Sarah O'Conner, Destiny Howard, Leeann Estrada, Ashlee Luttrell, Leigh-Ann Shrack, Sam Jones, Haleigh Smarr, Kayla White, Alyssa Bolyard and Volunteer Greg Sausaman. Middle row: Maddy Green, Megan Bray, Meg Heinisch, Kaitlin Graber, Natalie Winters, Nadia Palacios, Abbie Hackelman, Meghan Beer, Kendra Doerr, Sara Pritchard, Gabrielle Fiscus, and Libby Goralczyk Front row: Mercedes Winkelman, Kayla Estrada, Sabrina Grudowski, Angela Rodrguez, Olivia Birch, Makenna Sausaman, and Hannah Lancaster.



The forwards try to keep the ball away from the opponent.

The team poses for a funny picture to celebrate a victory.



Girls Varsity Soccer lineup from left and right: Olivia Birch, Sarah Pritchard, Leigh Ann Shrack, Leeann Estrada, Kendra Doerr, Meg Heinisch, Natalie Winters, Alyssa Bolyard, Meghan Beer, Hannah Lancaster, and Kayla White



Robert McKinney will further his career as boy's soccer manager at Ancilla College.









Right: Hunter Magiera disagrees with a referee's yellow card. It was mistakenly awarded to him when it should have been given to his opponent. This mistake was soon cleared up.

Far right: Chris Pena takes off his shirt and celebrates his shot that took the team to the sectional game.







Chris Pena runs down the field .



Goalkeeper Dillon Drake saves the ball from going into the goal.



Zeb Glon heads the ball away from an opponent.



Left: Cameron Schlabaugh defends the ball away from the other team

Right: Carter Jones dribbles the ball away from the opponent



Sectionals Runners Up // This year the soccer team made it the championship round of sectionals. They lost a heartbreaking game to Plymouth 3-2.





Boy's Varsity Back row: Coach Sylvester, Coach Prescott, Austin Dunithan, Preston Dunithan, Jared Pritchard, Ashton Stookey, Joe LeCount, Cameron Gillum, Eric Yankowsky, Ryan Edington, Braedon Schlabach, Dylan Dewitt, Chris Pena, Dillon Drake, Head Coach Jordan Sharp, Coach Kuhl. Bottom row left to right: Conner Rummel, Renee Sanchez, Cameron Schlabach, Hunter Magiera, Brady Wickersham, Zeb Glon, and Manager Robert McKinney.



Boy's JV Back Row: Coach Sylvester, Coach Prescott, Conner Rummel, Alex Matthew, Rene Sanchez, Austin Dunithan, Devon Dewitt, Isaiah Stouder, Ashton Stookey, Coach Jordan Sharp, and Coach Kuhl. Front Row: Preston Dunithan, Jared Pritchard, Kenyan Cotton, Corey Dunivan, Kyle Burket

Ryan Edington fights for the ball.



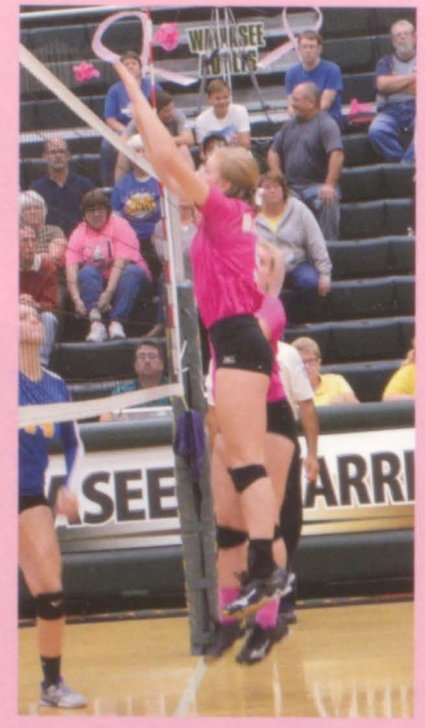
Boys Soccer Advances After Seven Years Bad Luck

Sectionals: This Way

Just passing by

At the annual pink out for the varsity volleyball team, no players hold back. Pictured top left, senior Elizabeth Hardy scores for wawasee, by not letting any hits get past her. Top right, senior Taylor Mock, dives for every ball, so her reamates can get a kill. Pictured bottom right, senior Seaquinn Bright serves to the other team, harder then ever before.



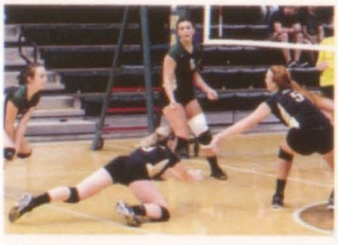


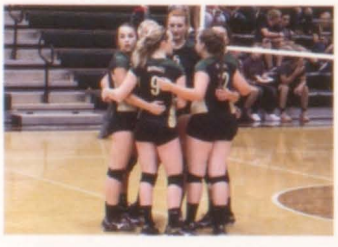




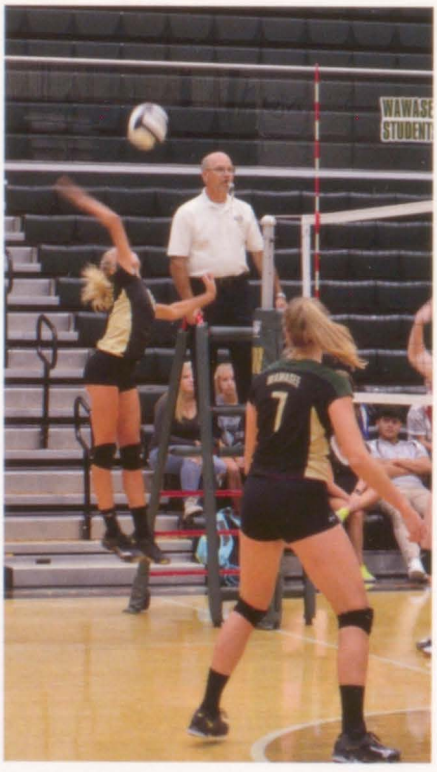


Above left,: Tiffany Koble saves the ball from hitting the ground. Top right: the girls huddle up as they discuss their next plays to come back even harder.









Left: Freshman Elizabeth Kleapfor playing JV, getting another kill for her team. Top left: Sophmore Kaylen Williams dives for the ball. Middle left: The JV girls huddle up before playing. Bottom left: sophomore Hannah Gaerte gives a perfect pass to her setter.

The girls volleyball teams came under new management this season with the hire of head coach Kayla Riportella, who also teachers English at the high school. Coach Rip, as she is known to her team, previously played for the Goshen Maple Leafs before student teaching at Wawasee last fall. She lead her varsity team to a 6-15 record. Under her leadership, the girls came together as a team better than they had in previous seasons. Their success is sure to improve in the coming years!

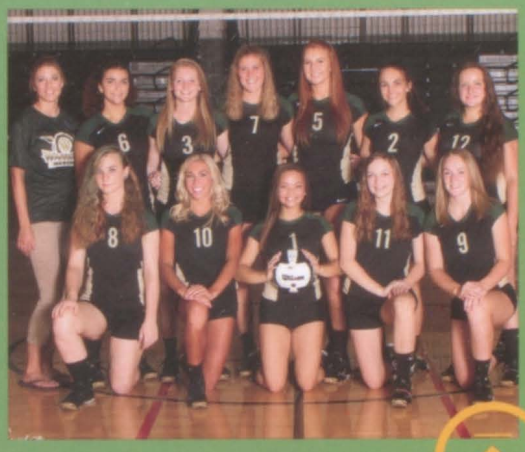


Freshman Team

Top left: Coach Rikki McCann, Grace Morrison, Ashley Rose, Maddison Mottern, Molly Jones, Julie Christensen, Tess Fancil, Ebba Bjurdam, and manager Madyln Long. Bottom row: Rachel Sweatland, Taylor Frayley, Ashley Vasquez, Sailor Davis-York, Mckenzie Click, Ella Williamson, and Aundreya Wegener.

Varsity Team

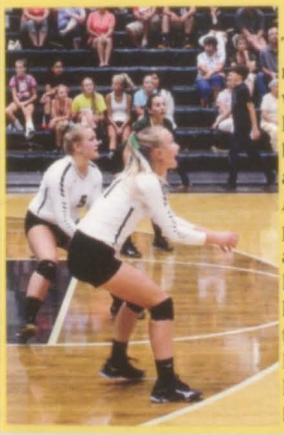
Top left is assistant varsity coach Hunter Gaerte, Taylor Mock, Ashley Beer, Elizabeth Hardy, Seaquinn Bright, Kayleigh Rhodes, Madison Wilson, and head varsity coach, Kayla Riportella. Bottom row: Tiffany Koble, Hannah-Marie Lamle, Cassandra Ponce, Olivia Clouse, Peyton Rookstool, and Brooke Heche



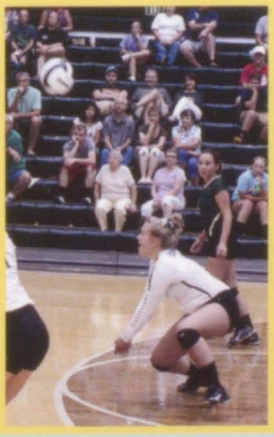
Junior Varsity Team

Top right is JV coach Stephanie Denlinger, Leia Munn, Faith Swihart, Janae Hapner, Courtney Larson, Hannah Gaerte, and Bethany Flannery. Bottom row: Kaylen Williams, Elizabeth Kleopfor, Adriene Gill, Laci Loy, and Caitlin Wortinger.





The Volleyball warrior nation knows what to do to win. Far right: Senior Elizabeth Hardy blocks any ball the other team trys to hit at her. Directly right: Senior Ashley Beer digs up the ball, preparing her team for another sucssesful attack. Below: The varsity team huddles up, getting a pep talk from Coach Riportella. Left: Sophmore Peyton Rookstool gets another incredible dig.







Stay the Course
Girls Golf

Escape the Ordianary

The girls gold team had a great season this year! With an overall amount of – wins and – losses it has been a successful year for the team. They have all been doing a great job at working hard at practices and at their meets. If they keep it up and stay the course, the girls golf team will surely accomplish great feats.





Coach Steve Coverstone, Valerie Haessig, Kabrea Rostochak, Aubrey Schmeltz, Zoe White, Jadison Rostochak, Coach Jeff Rostochak, Madison Beaman, Katie Weisser



Above: Madison Beaman showing off her spunky personality while posing for a picture Below: Sophomore Zoe White lines up a putt.



Madison Beaman makes a funny face for the camera.



Aubrey Schmeltz gets excited for her match





Freshman Jadison Rostochak drives the ball down the fairway.



Senior Aubrey Schmeltz chips the ball onto the green.

Going Places

The boys tennis team has made great progress this year in many different ways. They have constantly put in an enourmous amount of effort both on and off season, and it has definitily paid off. They have had a total of 8 wins and 7 losses, whixh is a great improvement from last year. The boys got to compete in sectionals, which is also a major improvement from last year. This year has definitly the best year for boys tennis Wawasee has had in a long time. Everyone can't wait to see what is in store for next year's team!





Above, left: senior Timothy Conley thinks about his strategy. Above,right: Senior Evan Kruuger hits a double-hand shot across the net.

Coach Vince Rhodes, Manager Kabrea Rostochak, Jacob Cowan, Graham Perek, Dylan Staley, Mason Gray, Nate Haines, Tim Conley, Cameron Brill, Evan Krueger, Josh Slabaugh, Noah Wilson, Nate Perek, Jacob Krugman, Aaron Troutman, Manager Briana Haessig, Coach Ron "Bernie" Richey





What is your most memorable part of the season this year?

"My favorite moment this season is when we beat Northwood for our senior night"
-Nathan Perek



Striking Out on His Own



Left is junior Dylan Staley. He is ranked number 1 on the team for this years season, and went through the season with flying colors, earning an All-NLC Honorable mention. He was excited for the opportunity, especially as a junior. He worked hard to get that position, and loves playing with everyone on the team. He encourages future freshemn to try it out if they are willing to have fun, but work hard.





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To Run, or Not To Run

Cross Country



Braxton Alexander runs ahead of the pack.



The seniors pose for a picture together. The seniors this year are: Elizabeth Zorn, Shelby Adams, Sam Griner, Bailey Schroeder, and Mariana Saiguero-Astudillo

Boys Cross Country

Front Row : Micheal Drabenstot, Brandon Kidd, Ben Hoffert, Thomas Conley, Benson Yoder Hare. Back Row : Coach Stookey, Luke Griner, Sam Griner, Spencer Hare, Coach Slabaugh, Coach Hoffert.



Brandon Kidd goes for the gold.

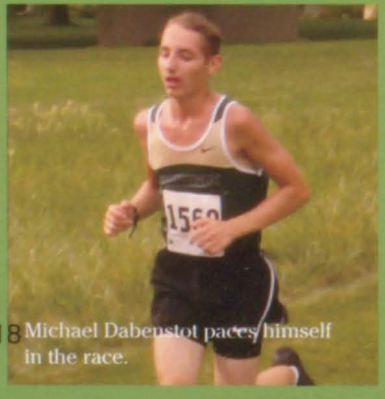




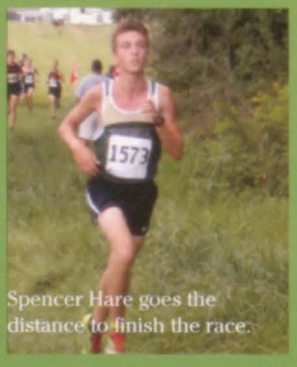
Isaiah Faurote hustles to the finish line.

Thomas Conley continues to finish the race.





Michael Dabenstot paces himself in the race.



Spencer Hare goes the distance to finish the race.





Far Left - Elizabth Zorn, Lila Gregory, and Valeria Pizana lead the pack.

Left - Lila Gregory, Reagan Atwood, and Shelby Adams get ready for the race.





Far Left - Bailey Schroeder, Aubrey Kuhn, McKenzie Smith, and Elizabeth Zorn looks to the finish line.

Left - Elizabeth Long takes long strides to win the race.

Girls Cross Country



Shelby Adams and Katelyn Baker stick together to finish the race.



Front Row: Kaia Manning, Valeria Pizana, McKenzie Smith, Lila Gregory, Katie Haines. Top Row : Coach Stookey, Coach Weissersa, Yanelly Pizana, Katelyn Baker, Reagan Atwood, Bailey Schroeder, Elizabeth Zorn, Shelby Adams, Aubrey Kuhn, Keyanna Clevenger, Evelin Ramiro, Coach Slabaugh, and manager Ryan Zorn.



Left:The team leads the race to destroy the competition.

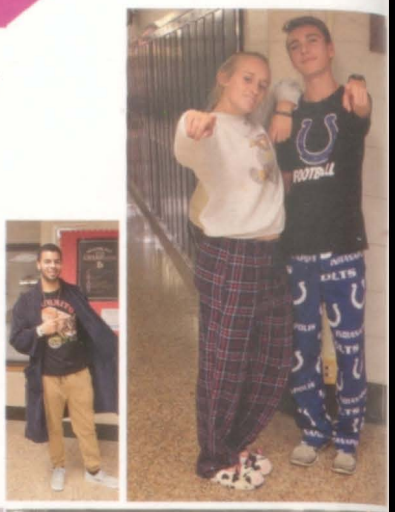
Go Big or Go Home

Homecoming Week Includes Traditions Old and New

This years homecoming was filled with action packed activities. There was games like capture the flag, basketball and volleyball. During the week there were many dress up days like pajamas,class colors and different decades per class. Lots of people participated in the activities and it was a huge success.

Below: Zeb Glon and Brandon Lopez attempt to defeat the reigning faculty team by going after Mrs. Holsopple from both sides. Other photos on this page show the different dress up days for the week.























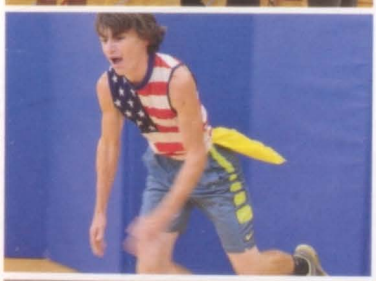
Our Talent Goes the Distance

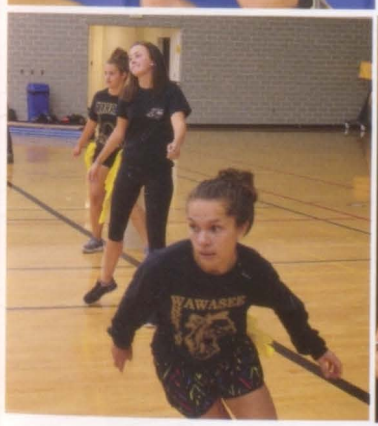
This year's talent show was a huge success, with skits from all grades and many talented students who performed for their peers. 1. Seniors Mason Gray, Rhett Coblentz, Paul Mendoza, Tim Conley, Rylan Kuhn, Nate Perek, and Nate Haines pose in protest for their senior skit. 2. Sophomore Alex Castro and juniors Zak Linnemier, Kevin Weikart, and Cayden Wegener perform with their "band," the Rejects 3. Librety Sielesnew sings for the crowd. 4. Hosts Madison Beaman and Lauren Bogart keep the crowd entertained in between acts. 5. Michael Sautter shows off his skills. 6. Chris Flora serenades the audience. 7. Oscar Tienda plays a guitar solo. 8. Freshmen girls lead their class skit. 9. Sisters Gabrielle and Alexandra Fiscus perform their last dance duet before Alex graduates. 10. Juniors Metcalf and Hannah-Marie Lamle put on a hilarious skit based on the 2017 Presidential debates.

The annual Capture the Flag tournament is one of the newer but also most popular events of Homecoming week. Below: The Honeybadgers, including Jacob Shortt, Katelyn Baker, Marley Erlenwine, Alyssa Minnix, Jeremiah Ponsler, and Kyle Gunkel, talk strategy between games. Mr. Beasley, Mrs. Jackson, and Mrs. Plummer prep for competition. Sam Griner represents Team Trump. Ale Brito avoids capture.











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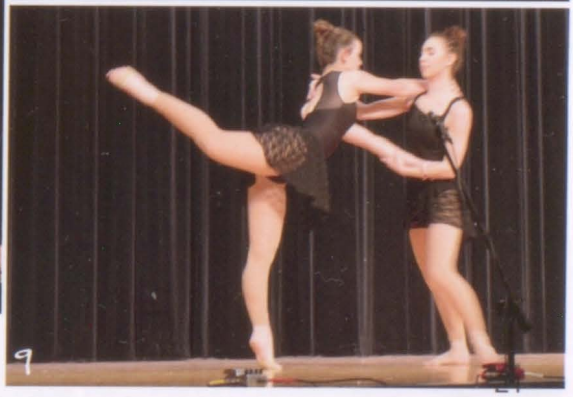

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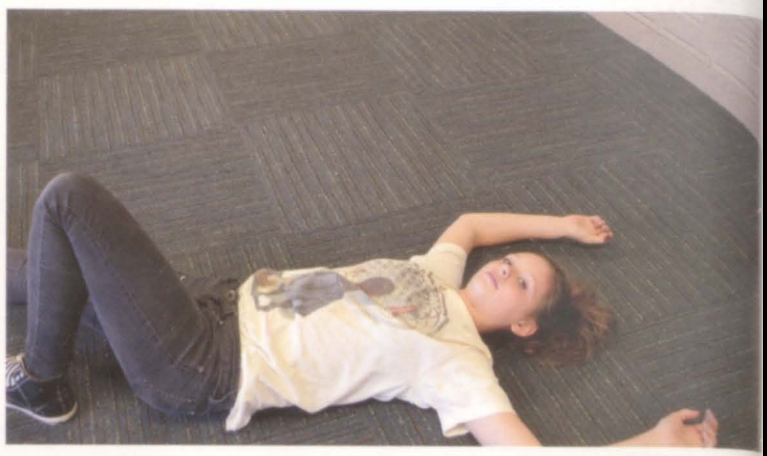

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Don't Overpack

Left: Freshmen capture the flag team of Michael Hammer, Jayden Boyer, Logan Adkins, Austin Miller, Hannah Lancaster, Rhian Galloway, Aundreya Wegener, and Dylan DeWitt look to win. Right: Yearbook photographer Ashley Rose is exhausted from taking photos during a very busy week.

Homecoming Week Packed With Action

Bicentennial Parade













Starting top left going clockwise: The capture the flag teams wait to start the event. Adrie Yoder, Alexis Whitacre, and Kylee VanCuren pose for Twin Tuesday. Jordan Gerber and Librety Sielesnew smile for Twin Tuesday. Nia Cervantes, Jordan Ethridge, Ian McClintock, Darian deSomer, Maddy McDonald and Jada Parzygnot get excited for pajama day. Bottom Left: A senior dodgeball team discusses strategy. Bottom right: Cassandra Hunt and Kayla Hendrix are twimming for the day.

















Above: Shelby and Tyler learn they have won Homecoming Queen and King. Top Right: The whole court poses for a picture on the field after the crowning ceremony. Bottom Left: Queen Shelby and 2015 King Cameron Adams show their sibling love. Bottom Right: The girls crowd under umbrellas before the crowning, trying to protect their hair and dresses from the elements.





Wawasee Crowns New Homecoming King and Queen

Though the Homecoming Game was rainy and dreary, the smiles of the Homecoming Court nominees could not be contained! After the school-wide vote, Shelby Adams and Tyler Smith won the title of Homecoming King and Queen this year.

Royal Way

The Nominees



King Nominees: Jaxon Coy, Cole Van Lue, Tyler Smith, Tim Conley.
Queen Nominees: Ashley Beer, Shelby Adams, Madison McBride, Madison Fisher

The Underclass Court



Freshmen: Molly Jones and Sophomores:Casey Shrouder and Juniors: Hunter Hlutke and Keyanna Clevenger.

Keep Marching On





Above: The drumline gets ready for a competition. Left: These band members wait to take the field for pregame. Below:The band waits to take the field at a competition.



This years Marching band season was fantastic. With a show based on World of Warcraft, they made it all the way to Semi-State in competiton. They played every Friday night at the football games and had a great half time show.



The marching band gets ready to take the field for the National Anthem before the game.



The band peps up the crowd with a rousing song during a home football game.











Top Right: Color gaurd performs during half time. Top Left: Band takes a group photo at competition after qualifying for Semi State. Bottom Right: Senior Jerrica Bontrager, junior Kala Bailey, sophmore Antia Denney, sophomore Kaiey Murphy and Aly Kirkpatrick take a photo during a football game. Bottom Middle: Band director Baurer holds a trophy from competition. Bottom Left: Two color guard members wait for the show to begin.

Below: The band starts the half time show.





Above:The band takes a group picture during summer practices Bottom Right: the drum major leads the half time show. Bottom Left: Band major Junior Mandi Mall leads the half time show.







Crossing the Globe

Leadership Students Volunteer to Help "Feed My Starving Children"

Hairnets and Helping Hands

Below: Wawasee Students watch an educational video on FMSC's mission before they begin packing up the meals.





On October 5, 2017, about ninety students from Wawasee travelled to Grace College in Warsaw to help pack food for the non-profit organization "Feed My Starving Children". This organization is dedicated to packing and sending free, highly nutritious meals (called MannaPacks) to malnourished children in third-world countries around the world. Junior Lacey Helfers initiated this project through KYLA, Kosciusko Youth Leadership Academy, as her Project Proud, and got students from different leadership groups at WHS to particpate, including SRC, WLC, and different sports teams. At the end of the day, these students packed 34,344 meals to be sent to Haiti to help with Hurricaine Matthew Relief.



"I've been involved with FMSC for four years. I have a passion for kids, and I wanted to get WHS involved because it would get them interacting and thinking about others."

- Lacey Helfers, Project Leader

Student Spotlight

Juniors, including Ben Butcher, Isaiah Metcalf, Jairus Boyer, Zak Linnemeier, Clayton Hicks, and Brett Williman take a break from packing and sealing to pose for the camera.

Hunter Hlutke and Mr. Sharp concentrate on weighing and sealing each MannaPack.









The meal-packing begins with teams of volunteers who are grouped in different cells. At each cell, each volunteer has a different job, ranging from scooping rice, soy, vitamins, and veggies, weighing the packs, sealing the packs, and packing boxes with the MannaPacks. Money is also raised by the community to pay for the meals and the shipping to other countries. Feed My Starving Children works with several global organizations to ship meals to over 70 countries around the world!








Top Left Corner, going clockwise: Maddy Green, Braxton Alexander, and Braedon Schlabaugh prepare food. Jon Esenwein and Austin Delafuente scoop food into the bag. Graham Perek and Meg Heinisch smile for the camera. Abbie Hackelman and Olivia Birch work hard to get their jobs done. Abbie Hackelman puts food into the funnel. Mr. Beasley poses for a picture.






Money was raised by collecting donations at several soccer games as well as a home football game. Top Center: LeeAnn Estrada (12), Amy Beer (11), Alyssa , , and Lacey Helfers show off their signs to encourage donations. Bottom left: Money donated by caring Warriors at the football game. Bottom right: Cheerleader Jade Skelton collects donations for FMSC.

Senior LeeAnn Estrada carefully counts and packs MannaPacks for shipment.

Lacey Helfers packs each one very carefully.






Follow the Beat

Fall Concerts

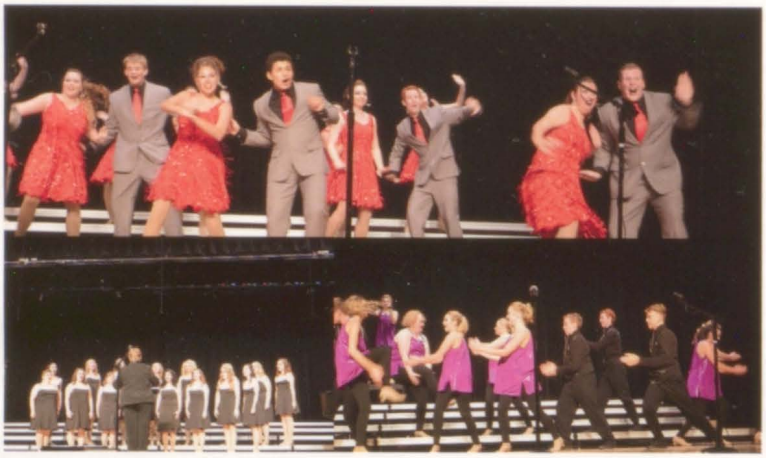
"If Music be the food of love, play on!"

Shakespeare









Top: Gabrielle Lee, Ben Meeks, Peyton Vandiver, Xavier Ortiz, Deanna Meade, Jordan Ethridge, Lauren Bogart, and Ethan Wright sing and dance. Bottom Left: Advanced Choir is small but mighty. Bottom Right: Vocal Motion after their costume change.

Choir and Vocal Motion



Sophomore Joelle Rassi sings I'm in Love with a Monster for her solo.







Vocal Motion perfoms with excitement for their audience.

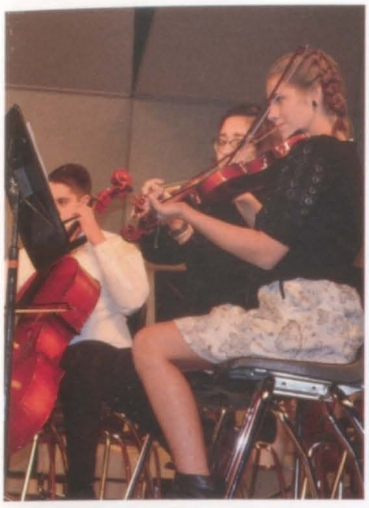


Mrs. Meadows conducts her choir to sing for the audience.

The Wawasee Choir performed in their own fall concert. The theme for this concert was love. They sang the songs September, Crazy Little Thing Called Love, Flashlight, I'm in Love with a Monster, and Sing. They did a wonderful job with it!

Band and Orchestra

The band this year played songs from movies. The songs were the Incredibles Theme Song, The James Bond Theme Song, and Dark Shadows from Dark Shadows. The Orchestra played different songs to the theme of Halloween. They played one song with just one section of the violins too!







Top left: Evan Wolferman, Citlali Jimenez, and Payton Vandiver work hard while playing their song. Top Right: Kristin Martindale and Kaitlin Graber intently play their music. Bottom: The Orchestra stands for applause after their performance.





Above: The band focuses on the song that they are playing. Left: Shae Henn introduces the next song that the band has to play.

Fun Times



Above: Dylan Staley, Shae Henn, Zach Hunter and Russell Runyon all have fun posing for a picture, while Caleb Vanlue dabs.

"The Earth has music for those who are willing to listen." -Shakespeare

"Music is a higher revelation than all wisdom and philosophy"

Beethoven









A Happy Ending >>
Willy Wonka informs Charlie and his grandfather about needing someone new to look after the factory. Wonka chooses Charlie, and the Oompa Loompas couldn't be more excited! Charlie accepts Wonka's offer and his family and himself will live in the factory. Below: Violet becomes violet and swells up like a blueberry as her mother tries to understand.

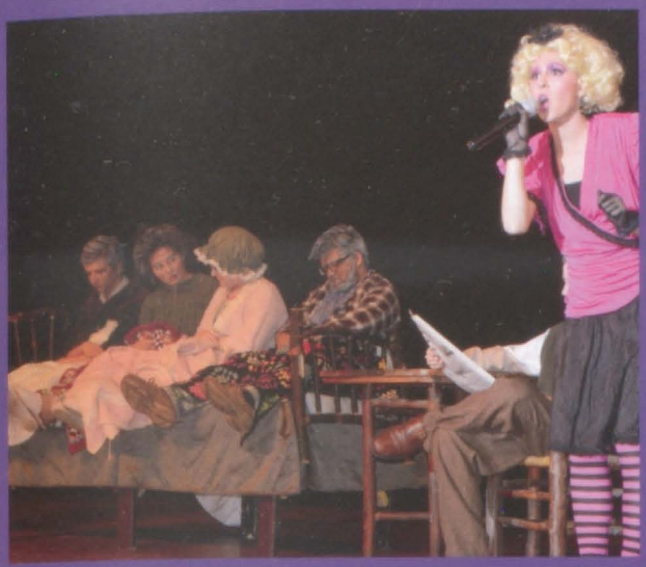


Down the Chocolate River

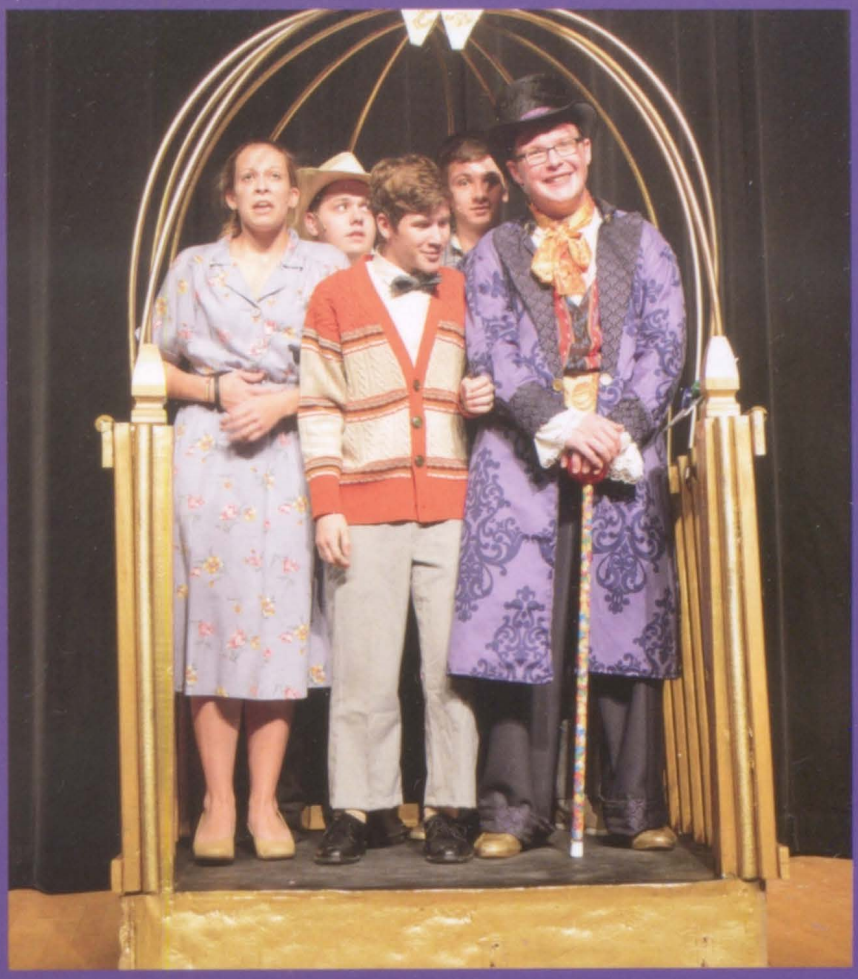
Fall Play caputures pure imagination with "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" production



Willy Wonka explains to the lucky golden ticket finders what is contained in each rooms along the Chocolate River. Away they go sailing to the next adventure! Pictured: Two Ooompa Loompas (sophomore Lora Kuhaneck, in green, and freshman Brianne Stewart, in red) row Mike TeeVee (sophomore Ian McClintock), Mrs. TeeVee (junior Lacey Helfers), Mrs. Beauregarde (sophomore Genevieve Cierpilowski), Violet Beauregarde (senior Krislynn Lancaster), Charlie Bucket (freshman Evan Coblentz), Grandpa Joe (freshman Nick Lesko), Mrs. Salt (senior Jade Davidson), Willy Wonka (senior Ethan Wright) down the chocolate river.



Above: The Narrator (senior Alexandra Fiscus) is setting the scene for the audience while she introduces Charlie's family. Grandpa Joe (freshman Nick Lesko), Grandma Josephine (junior Gynnae Hochstetler), Grandma Georgina (Jessica O'Donnell), and Grandpa George (senior Adam Stevens).



Right: Willy Wonka (senior Ethan Wright), Charlie Bucket (freshman Evan Coblentz), Mrs. Teeve (junior Lacey Helfers), Mike Teeve (sophomore Ian McClintock), and Grandpa Joe (Nick Lesko) take a wild ride on the every-direction elevator.









Top left: Charlie is with his mother (junior Amanda Foy) and his grandparents discussing Wonka's new competition. Top right: Lucky ticket finders Veruca Salt (senior Kara Schrock) and her parents (senior Jonas Clayton and senior Jade Davidson) waiting to enter Wonka's factory throught the golden gates. Bottom left: Wonka explaining the Three Course Dinner Chewing Gum to Violet Beauregard (senior Krislynn Lancaster) and her mom (sophomore Genevieve Cierplowski). Bottom right: Mike Teeve (sophomore Ian McClintock) and the Oompa Loompas (sophomore Katie Mallory, freshman Bri Stewart, and senior Elizabeth Hardy) in the Television Room, where chocolate (and little boys) are sent through the air by television.

more than a destination

Stuff The Bus



Students in Key Club put together Stuff The Bus each year by going to local stores such as, Lances, and collect food. They also have a competition with the money that was donated where they go in the store and buy as much gorceries as they can. All the food is donated to the local food pantry.



Right: Seniors Hannah LaMaine, Gabby Lee, and Kristen Martindale show off some of the donations. Bottom Right: Kala Bailey, Megan Wells, Carson Hunter, Shae Henn, Zach Hunter, Caleb Vanlue, Amy Beer, Rachel Starrett, and Aileen Wolken line up in front of the bus. Bottom Middle: Carson Hunter, Aiden Whalen, Shae Henn, Zach Hunter, Abby Stump, and Carter Bowman make donations to a local food bank. Bottom left: Abby, Zach, Aiden, Carson and Carter smile and take pride in the good work they've done before the holiday season! Left: Paper goods are collected in addition to food as well and stored on a school bus.









adventure awaits

semi formal 2016: All That Jazz



The theme for this years Semi Formal was All That Jazz. The carefree 1920s flapper vibe was evident everywhere, from the decor to even some of the fringy, glitzy dresses.



Jadison Rostochak, Molly Jones, and Aundreya Wegener look stunning for their first Semi Formal.

Seniors Austin Kline and Hannah LaMaine dance the night away at their last semi formal.



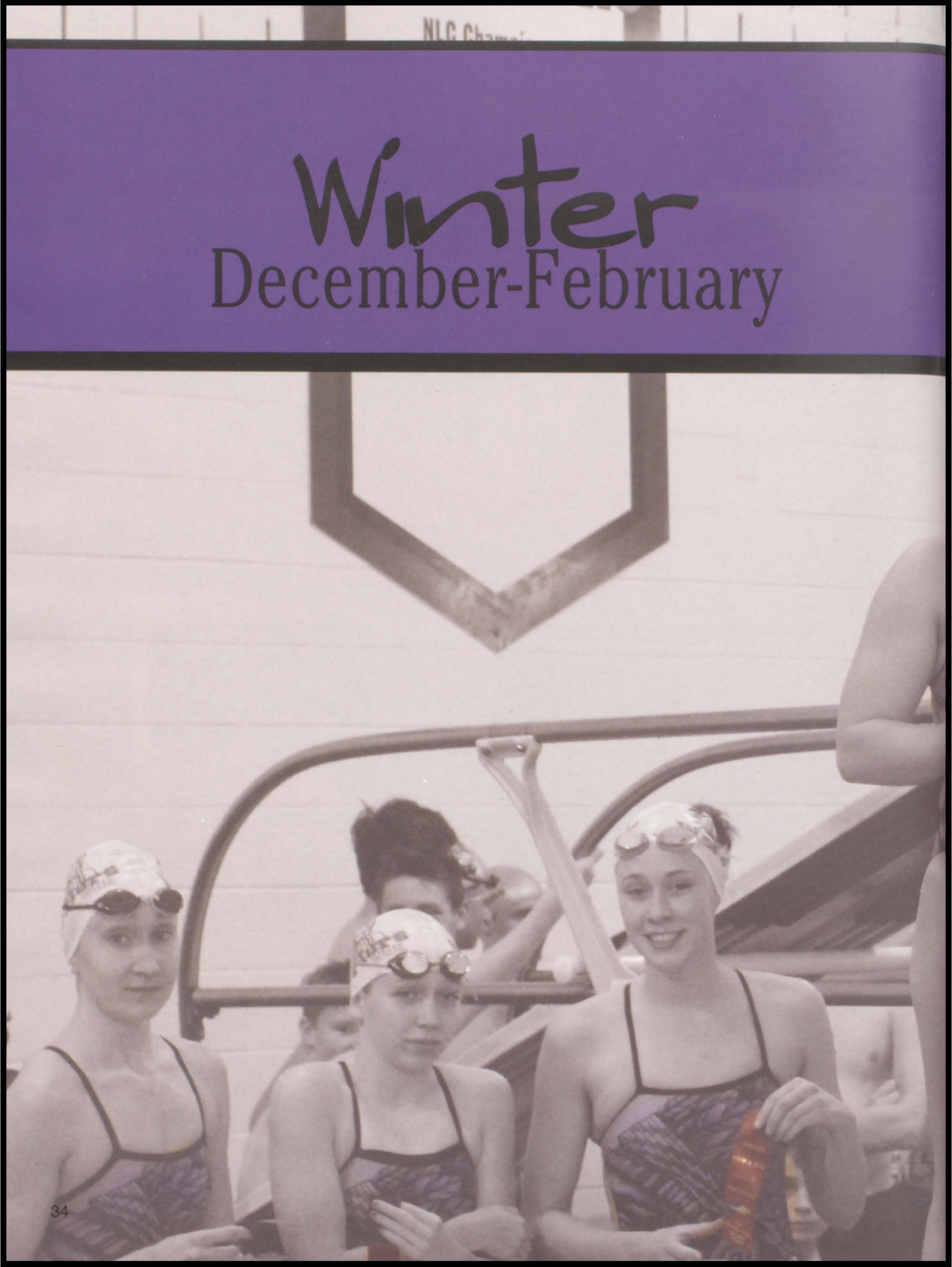


Samantha Gentry, Kristian Martindale, Aaron Troutman, Margaret Heinisch, Genevieve Cierpilowski, Kaitlin Graber, Gabrielle Fiscus, Lacey Helfers stop the fun to pose for a quick snapshot!





Winter
December-February





Brett Willaman (grade 11) Jared Krugman (grade 10) show off their ribbons.

Katie Haines (grade 9)competes on the beam.

Braxton Alexander (grade 10) pins his opponent.

Senior Aubrey Schmeltz leaps to retrieve the ball.

Keilishandra Mendoza, Katrina Konieczny, Veronica Valenica, and Julie Bell pep up the fans.

Trevon Coleman (grade 11) makes his way to the basket.



Damen Conley makes a layup



Jacob Hand tries to get the ball from offense.



Tyler Smith keeps the ball away from the opponent.

Traveling across the court

Varsity



Back: Row Coach Eakins, Head Coach Everingham, Jacob Hand, Zak Linnemeier, Trevon Coleman, Timothy Coley, Dalton Perish, Tyler Smith, Coach Waltz, Coach Coy. Front: Manager Lauren Ramirez, Aaron Evans, Jairus Boyer, Bennett Hoffert, Cayden Wegner, Cameron Schlabach, Ryan Edington, and manager Jordan Rhodes.

Junior Varsity



Back: Coach Eakins, Coach Everingham, Josh Slabaugh, Ryan Edington, Damen Conley, Zakary Linnemeier, Dalton Perish, Aaron Evans, Coach Waltz, Coach Coy. Front: ManagerJordan Rhodes, Austin Miller, Cayden Wegner, Bennett Hoffert, Marshall Miller, Manager Lauren Ramirez



Austin Miller passes the ball to Ethan Hardy.



The team hustles down the court in a full-court press.



Teams congratulate each other after a hard-faught game.

Freshmen



Back: Assistant Coach Coy, Austin Baker, Stephan Foy, Ethan Hardy, Micheal Hammer, Kale Sherman, Austin Miller, Coach Burkhart Front: Gavynn Wolferman, Levi Brown, Evan Dippon, Jaydon Boyer, and Darrick Young.








Jairus Boyer is open for a pass from his teammates.



Trevon Coleman makes a freethrow



The coach calls a time out



Marshal Miller shoots a three-pointer

Nobody said it would be easy



The defense tries to keep the ball away from the basket.



Tyler Smith dribbles the ball down the court.



Aaron Evans and Austin Miller play defense.

Carpenter's Crew Builds a New Foundation

On the Road Again



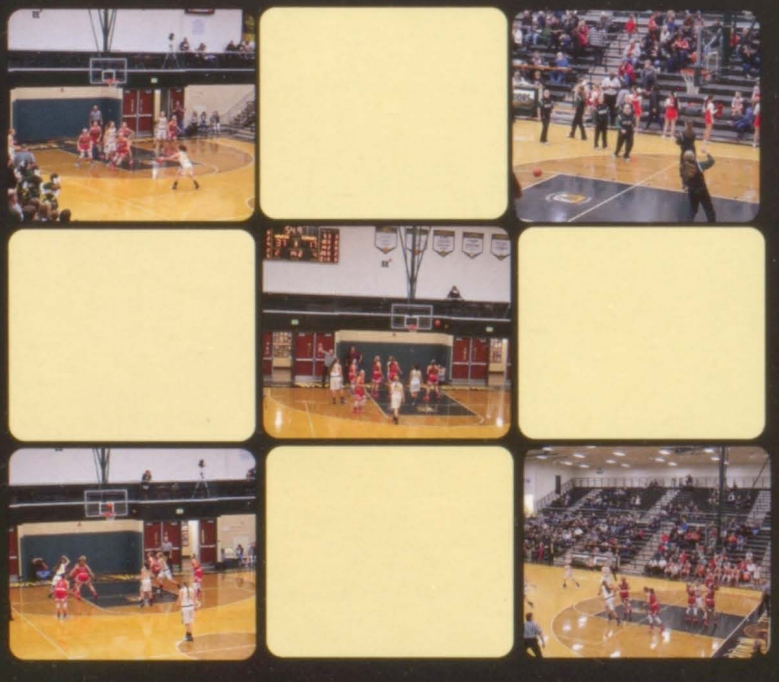
Varsity

Back row: Coach Holeslaw, Coach Beer, Head Coach Matt Carpenter, Hannah-Marie Lamle, Hannah Haines, Aubrey Schmeltz, Kabrea Rostochak, Seaquinn Bright, Coach Dina Coverstone, Coach Tracy Swain, Coach Everingham. Front Row: Manager Ellsie Bowman, Manager Elizabeth Goraczyk, Casey Schroeder, Kayla White, Aubrey Kuhn, Madison Beaman, Manager Breanna Mills, Manager Harmony Schlabach.



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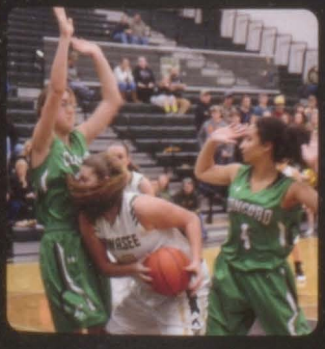








The Air Up There // Seaquinn Bright uses her impresseive vertical to manuver past two opponents and score two for the Lady Warriors!



The Go-Between // Senior Aubrey Schmeltz forces her way to the basket between two Concord defenders.



Teamwork // Hannah-Marie Lamle keeps an eye on her opponent while Aubrey Kuhn makes her way down the court.



In the Key// There's some confusion under the net as and Seaquinn Bright takes a tumble.



The girls team takes the win at the Wawasee Invite



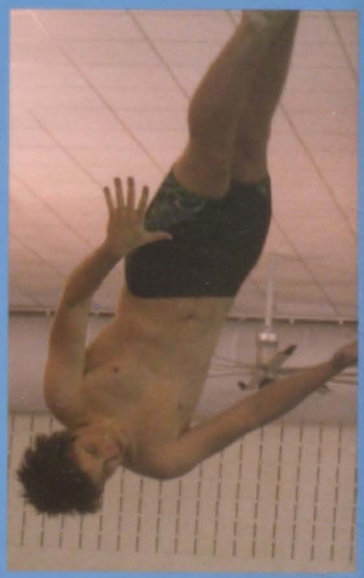
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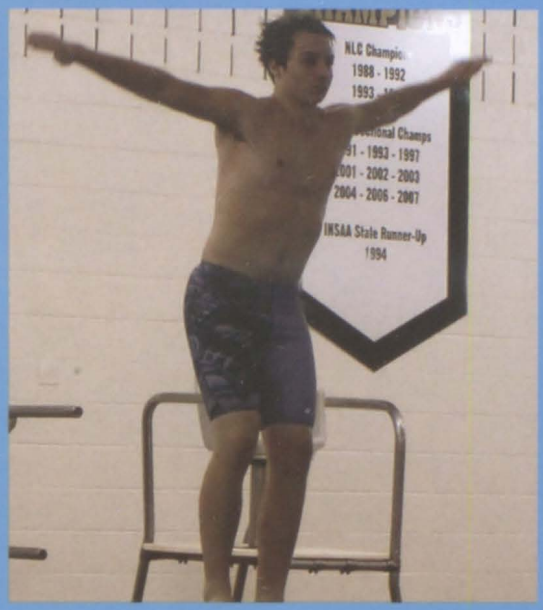
This year's swim season was great. The team is very close in and out of the pool. Has a team they gain many more skills and encouraged each other to always do better. Both the boys and girls teams won the Wawasee invite. Junior Brady Robinson and Senior Paige Miller went to state again this year.

Top left: Two swimmers get ready to take off into the water. Top right: The girls plunge into the water ready to race. Bottom right: This diver completes a perfect turn.



The Life Aquatic









Top right: Juniors Brett Williaman, Isiah Metcalf and Mgr. Clayton Hicks exit the locker room.
Top Middle: Sohpmore Dane Jenkins begins a dive.
Top left: Junior Hunter Hluke starts a dive.
Middle right: Juniors Alison Troutman, Elizabeth Brugh and Senior Jasmine Morehead exit the locker room.

Boys Swim and Dive Team



Front: Eric Park, Spencer Naugler, Jake Cowan, Chandler Ritter, Brady Robinson, Brett Willaman, Isiah Metcalf. Middle:Brady Claassen,Collin Thomas, Dane Jenkins, Addison Torres, Aaron Bartman, Bryce Knepp, Austin Dunithan. Back: Alex Mathew, Jacob Krugman, Jared Krugman, Aaron Troutman

Girls Swim and Dive Team



Front: Ebba Bjurman, Paige Miller, Madison McBride, Riley Kunkle, Shelby Adams, Jasmine Morehead. Middle: Delanie Rosenberry,Logan Harter, Ella Park, Macie Stuckman, Sailor Davis,Kaia Manning Back: Caitlin Kingrey, Tessa Freel, Abby Haklemen, Alyssa Koach, Alison Troutman, Ryane Beaman, Alexis Bellamy, Elizabeth Brugh

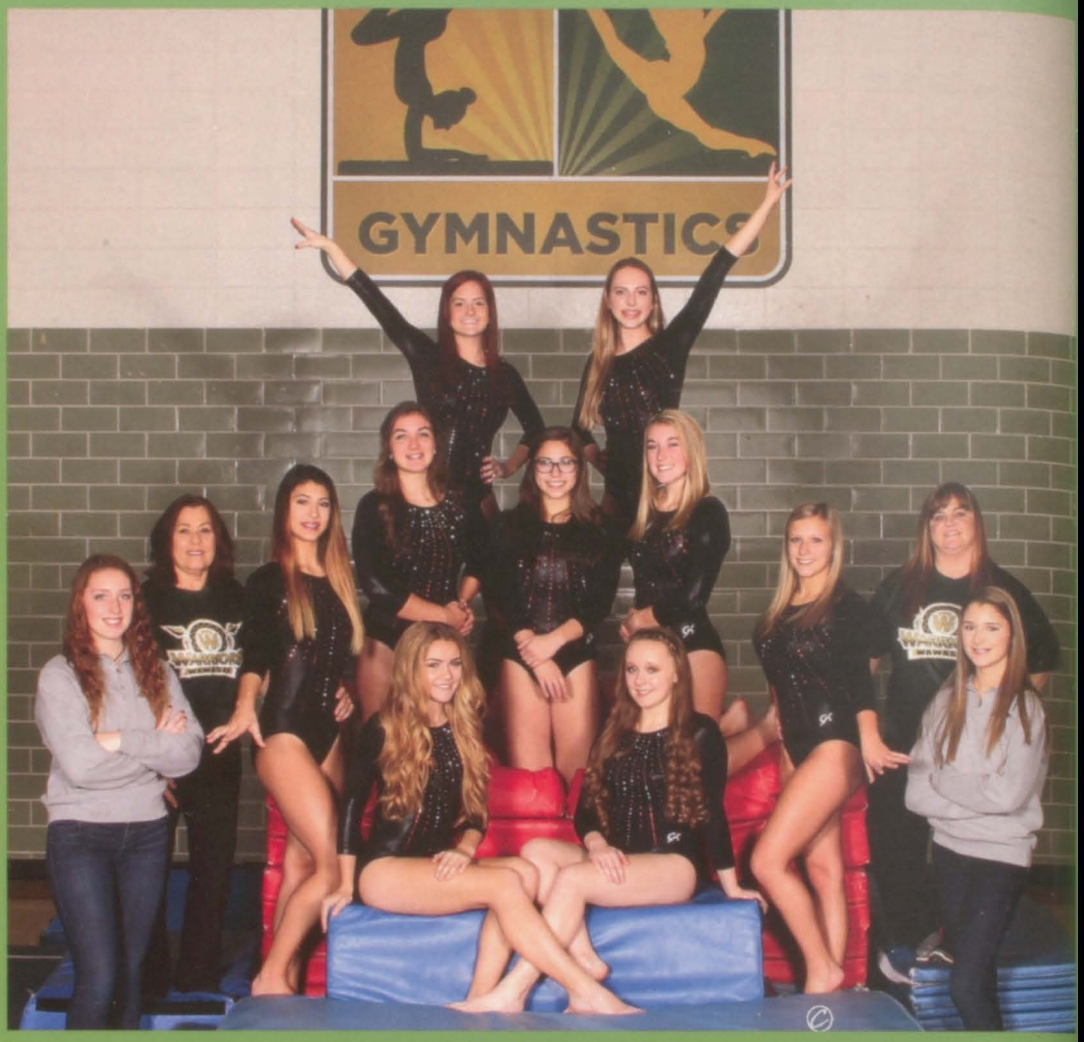








Pictured far top is junior Meghan Beer doing a beautiful job on her uneven bar routine. Pictured directly below her is freshman Katie Haines getting ready for her perfect dismount. Pictured next is freshman Aundeya Wegener performing so well, she earned a no-fall beam routine that day. Pictured beneath her is junior Meghan Beer again, performing elegiiantly on beam. To the right of her is junior Reagon Atwood doing a wolf jump on beam.





Bottom Row: freshman Katie Haines and freshman Aundreya Wegener, second row Coach Nika Prather, manager Ciandra Ervin, then sophmore Jada Proda..., sophmore Alyssa Minnix, and assistant coach Sarah Wegener, third row is junior Katlyn Baker, .Meghan Beer, and junior Reagan Atwood, top row starting left is senior Haligh Smarr, and senior Autumm Yoder.

Girls Gymnastics

The Gymnastics team had a very successful season this year. This year the team won sectionals and went regionals. Junior Reagan Atwood made it out of regionals this year and got the chance to go to state. She did an amazing job and got in the top 30 of the state.

Below: The team prepares for their meet. in a huddle.















Ready...set...tumble!

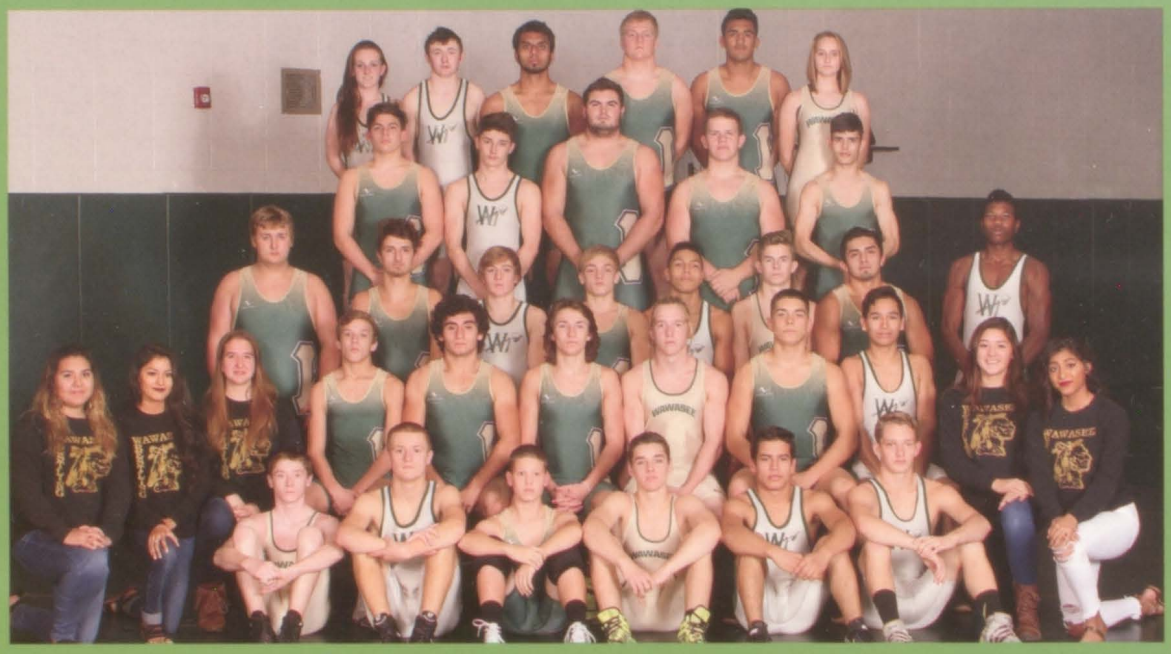
Carpe Diem: Seize the Day











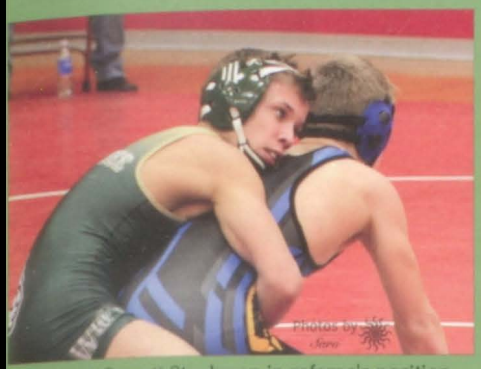
Front Row: Adrian White, Evan Gregory, Jonas Bailey, Roy Wright, Jesus Malagon, Isiah Faurote. Row 2: Ashley Graff, Stephany Mejia, Alexis Matney, Garret Stuckman, Raymon Torres, Geremia Brooks, Jacob Shortt, Damien Rodriguez, JJ Coranado, KC Mendoza, Abby Mejia. Row 3 ; Jeremy, Dylan Helper, Nate Ries, Braxton Alexander, Keyan Peete, Kyle Gunkel, Alex Castro, Luke Hensley. Row 4 ; Bishop Wiseman, Dalin Powell, Elisha Tipping, Ricky Nelson, Ricardo Romo, Row 5: Ashlee Luttrell, Micheal Sautter, Rene Sanchez Jeremiah Dilley, Brandon Lopez, Alyssa Bolyard

The wrestling team had some breakout individuals who had especially great seasons. Sophomore Geremia Brookes got 2nd in the 126lb weight class and unior Ricardo Romo got 1st in the 106 lb class at Sectionals. Garrett Stuckman, Jeremiah Dilley, and Braxton Alexander also did well and advanced to Regionals. There, Alexander got 1st, Stuckman and Brookes got 2nd, and Dilley placed 3rd. All advanced to Semi State, where Alexander placed 2nd and advanced to the state finals. Alexander ended his season by placing 6th in the state at 120 lbs.

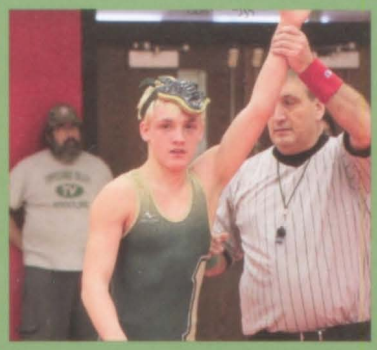
Go the Distance // Braxton Alexander, below, had an incredibly successful season as a sophomore, winning both Sectional and Regionals in the 120 lb weight class. Braxton advanced to Semi-State where he received 2nd place in his weight class and the State finals, where he placed 6th. Congratulations on a great season, Braxton!



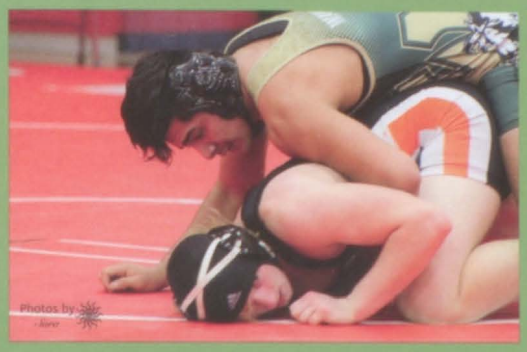
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Freshman Garrett Stuckman in referee's position at the start of a Sectional match. Garret took 3rd in the 113 lb weight class.



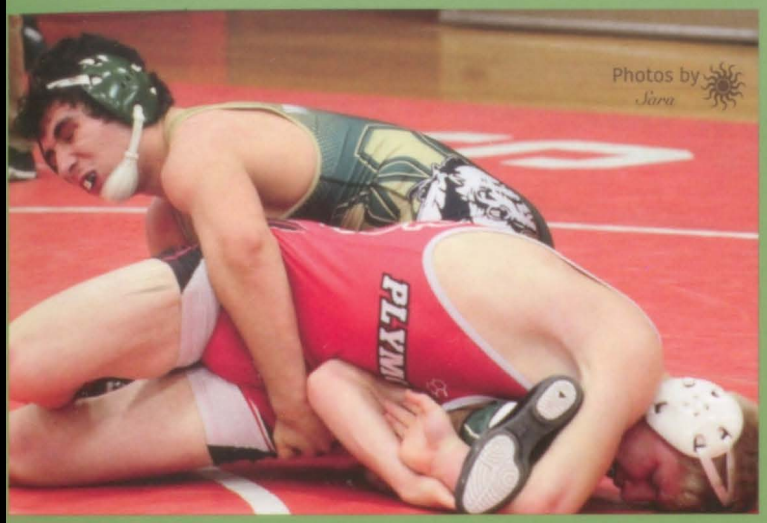
Braxton is decleared the Sectional Champion in his class.



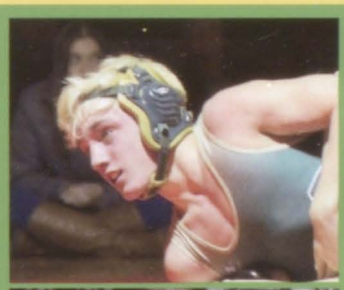
Alejandro Castro wrestles at Sectionals.

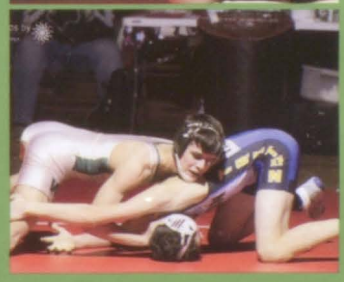
Points, Pins, and Wins

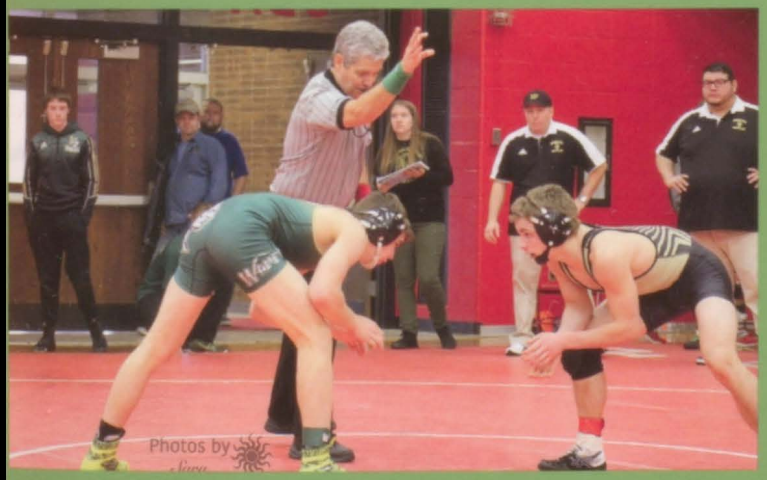
Wrestlers Find Success in 2017

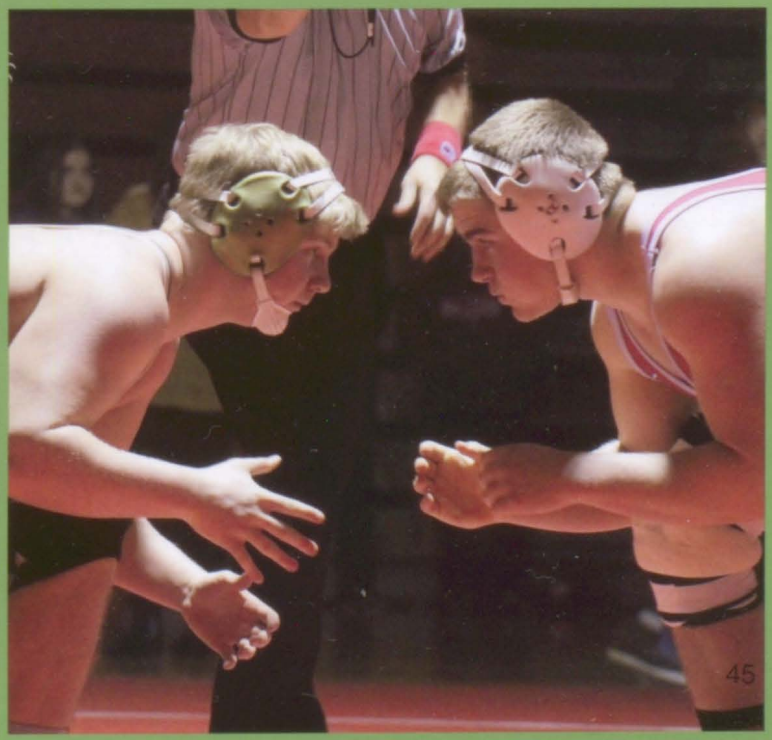












Top Right: Raymond Torres in a scramble position. Top Middle: Freshman Isiah Fauroate makes a pin. Top Left: Braxton Alexander. Left Middle: Ricardo Romo defends a shot in Sectional finales, where he took first! Above: Logan Baugh faces his opponent as the ref starts the match. Right: Senior Jeremiah Dilley stares down his opponent in Sectional finales, where he took 2nd in the 220 lb weight class.

Pictures by Sara Matney

Go the Distance















The Robotics team, coached by Mr. Wanland, had a great season. They sent several teams to World Competition and had an awesome time together during the year!

"We are Groot!"

















Left: Robotics students pose for a photo in front of the state house! This picture was taken the day before the state competition.





Above: Robotics takes on Worlds. They competed against 600 teams from 30 different countries.



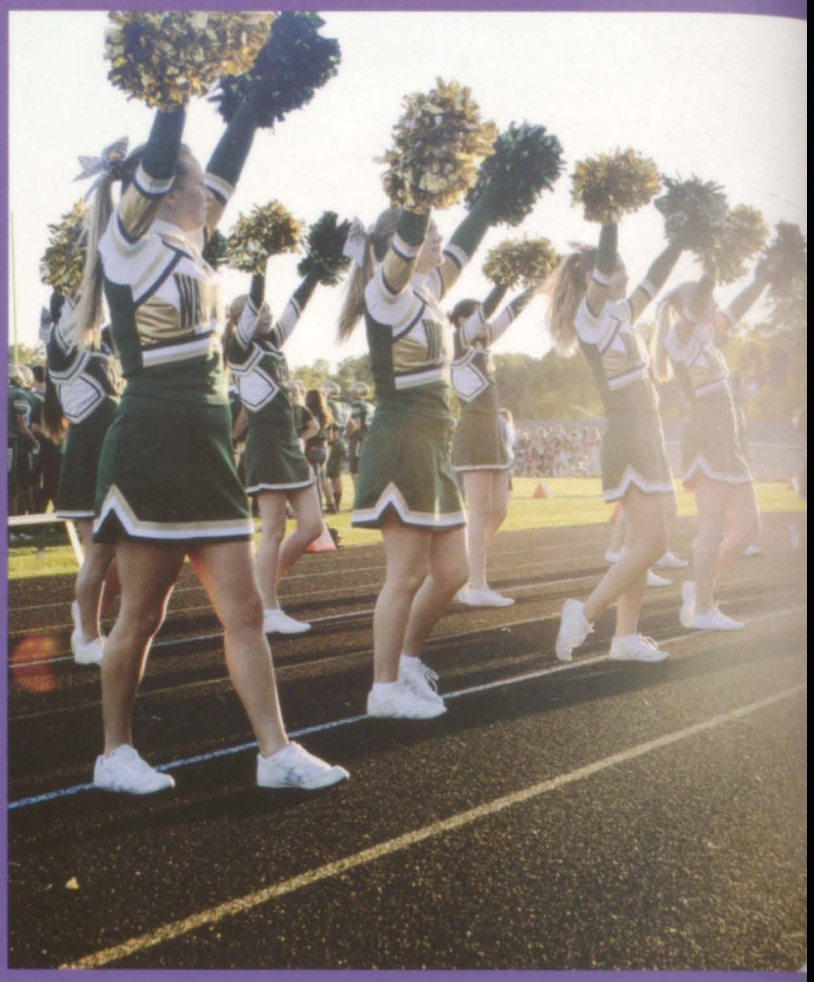
bove: Preparing to start the competition hosted at Wawasee High School.



Watch out, Mr. Wandland! You're about to get eaten by a terrifying T-Rex!







Top: The girls lead the fight song for the crowd
Bottom:The girls cheer on the football players
Right:The sun sets on a perfect Friday night







Front row: Elsie Bowman, Morgan Jones, Kyndall Fisher, Taylor Meek, Ariel Beck, Kelsey Doss, Sierra Littlejohn, Jada Parzygnot, Sarah Weaver. Second row: Coach Chelsea Coy, Kalynn Workman Julie Bell, Cali Willaman, Nataleigh Friedrich, Katrina Koniezny Veronica Valencia, Olivia Long, Amaya Rhodes, Coach Kellie Newcomer. Back row: Emily Gergle, Lupita Camargo, Raven Brown Madison Smith Bryanna Kelly



Back: Kyndall Fisher, Taylor Meek, Sarah Weaver, Morgan Jones, Derek Smith, Nataleigh Friedrich, Cali Willaman, Kelsey Doss, Siera Littlejohn, Olivia Long. Second row: Coach Chelsea Coy, Veronica Valencia, Katrina Konieczny, KC Mendoza, Anna Manwaring, Julie Bell, Amaya Rhodes, Coach Kellie Newcomer. Third Row: Rylan Kuhn, Madison Smith, Lupita Camargo, Emily McDonald, Raven Brown, Brayanna Kelly, Paul Mendoza. Front row: Sarah Emigh, Leah deSomer, Ariel Beck





Top: The cheerleaders stunt for the crowd. Bottom: Cheerleaders walk off the court spiriting for the Basketball players







Top Right: The Cheer team leads the crowd in the fight song.
Top MiddleThe Cheerleaders hit their stunts
Top Left: The cheerleaders continue to cheer on the basketball team.
Bottom Right: The JV girls stunt and chant for the crowd



This years cheer season was one of the best. They supported the school in all ways possible. Every Friday night they cheered on the teams to victory. The competition team made it to state and placed 8th. They also won the Elkhart Fair cheerleading competition. During both Basketball and Football season they grew closer and closer together has a team.

Cheering for the Future

Pow Wow 2017









From top to bottom: Even the spectators have fun posing for the yearbook camera! Officer Leach shows he still has what it takes in the three-on-three tournament. In the Ag building, Conner Lucas and Ian McClintock enjoy some cornhole. Mr. Nguyen helps Mr. Everingham into the dunk tank. Mr. E was so confident no one could dunk him he wore his best suit–we hope he didn't ruin it when he ended up in the tank!









Top: Students watch as their classmates try to pelt Mr. Perek in a fundraising event. Bottom left: This year's Pow Wow included laser tag for the frist time, which was wildly popular. Bottom Middle: Students get together at the end of the night. Bottom Right: WLC members bring out more DECA cookies to sell!



All the students in attendance come together at the end, respresenting our tribe as Wawasee Warriors!

This years Pow Wow was a huge success. A ton of students came and donated money. All the money went to families in our community. The students always come together and show how much of a family they are.



Senior Spencer Prescott finds a target during .



Junior Aaron Bartman, Senior Leah Desomer and Sophomore Geremia Brooks all go for the ball in volleyball



Junior Hannah-Marie Lamle dribbles past Mrs.Swain



Sophomore Macie Stuckman poses with a funny face.

Find Our Tribe



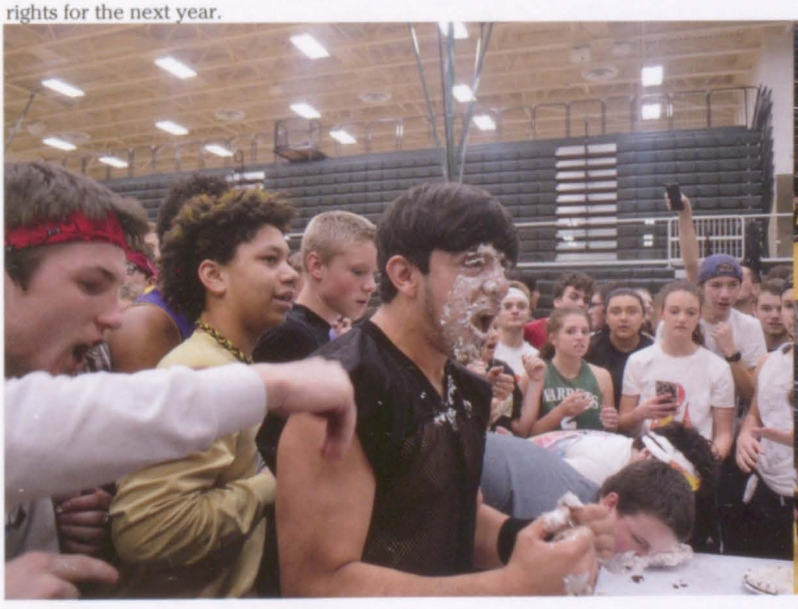






Far Left: The Freshmen look on as Austin Baker speeds by in the scooter race.
Top RIght: Junior Mandi Mall plays a card game with another student
Bottom Far Left: Mr. Nguyen, Mr. Everingham, and Mr. Beasly take a silly photo. with Mr. Whirledge
Bottom Right: Junior Taylor Meek targets someone in laser tag.

The pie eating contest is a highlight of the event, with the winner taking bragging rights for the next year.









Senior Jacob Clausen sets up his senior display at the art show



The drama kids perform Oklahoma.



Bailey Schroeder and Jordan Etheridge sing a duet for Pop Show.



The baseball team gets ready to take the field..



Senior Hannah Haines smiles at a softball game.



Sam Griner runs ahead of the competition



Sophomore Kendra Doerr at her tennis match.



Two boys from the golf team talk about that match.



A romantic prom moment caught on film.

Spring

March-June

Out of the Park

Ali Brito



Kayla White





Graceanne Kerlin swings for the fences.

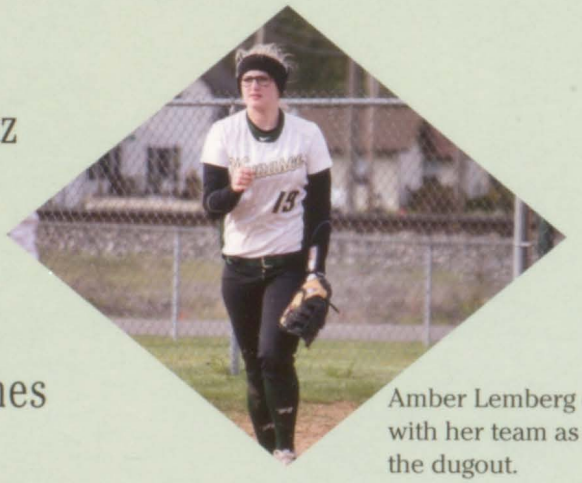
Amber Lemberg



The Lady Warriors had an outstanding season! For the first time in the program's history, they took the Regional title over Concordia Fort Wayne. Though they lost to St. Joe at semi-state, the girls had an amazingly sucessful run, winning the twelve games leading up to their semi-state loss. This talented senior class included three academic all state members: Christy Carson, Hannah Haines, and Madie Wilson, and Meghan Fretz, Ale Brito, Kayla White, Madie Wilson, and Amber Lemburg received all-NLC honors, with Hannah Haines and Aubrey Kuhn earning an honorable mention. Great job, Lady Warriors!

Meghan Fretz





Amber Lemberg catches up with her team as they head to the dugout.

Meghan Fretz giving her all as she pitches.



Hannah Haines



Seniors

Riley Kunkle



Christy Carson



Elizabeth Webber



Leah DeSomer



Madie Wilson





Hannah Haines moves back out to the field.

Varsity



Varsity Picture - Bottom Left : Amayah Rhodes, Leah DeSomer, Madison Wilson, Ali Brito, Aubrey Kuhn, Kayla White, Cali Willaman. Second Roe : Michelle Gaff, Christy Carson, Riley Kunkle, Amber Lemberg, Meghan Fretz, Hannah Haines, Graceanne Kerlin, Faith Swihart, Bethany Flannery. In the back : Brian Barger and Micheal Barger



Faith Swihart strikes the ball at full force.

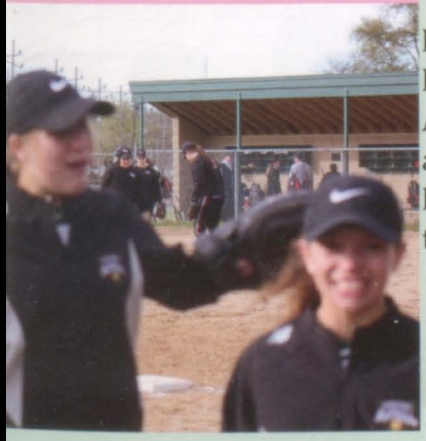
Junior Varsity



Junior Varsity - Bottom Left : Amayah Rhodes, Elizabeth Webber, Kasey Gunkel, Grace Allen, Ciandra Ervin, Cali Willaman. Second Row : Michelle Gaff , Brian Barger, Ryan Galloway, Adrianna Yoder, Marissa Hunziker, Madison Mottern, Megan Bra , Micheal Barger.



Meghan Fretz enjoying the winning season.



Hannah Haines and Ali Brito mess around, heading back to the dugout.



Warrior Varsity Baseball



Front Row: Mrg. Robert McKinney, Grahm Reinhard, Jacob Garcia, Cayden Wegener, Joshua Slabaugh, Jeremiah Bess, Jake Crousore, Mrg. Taylor Meek, Mrg. Breanna Mills, Jake Crousore. Back Row: Coach Beasly,Coach Rhoades, Spencer Prescott, Blaine Greer, Jarius Boyer, Gavin Barker, Rhett Coblentz, Jamie Slabaugh, Rylan Kuhn, Coach Doty, Coach Doty



Rylan Kuhn swings for the fences.







Far Left: Levi Brown and the rest of the team get ready to take the field. Left: Seniors Spencer Prescott and Rylan Kuhn watch from the dugout. Above: The catcher stands after throwing ball back to the pitcher from getting a player out. Bottom Left: The pitcher winds up for the pitch. Bottom Middle: The catcher wait to cast the ball for the strike. Bottom Right:The guys watch from the dugout.







Warrior Junior Varsity Baseball

This years baseball team dominated. They beat some of the toughest teams around. They are a very hard working group of guys. They played their hardest and it showed. Despite having some ups and downs they always got right back on track. They ended the season with a record of 12-14.

Hitting Homeruns



Front Row: Mrg. Aundreya Wegener, Ethan Garza, Logan Adkins,Nathan Bess,Jonas Bailey, Dain Stuck,Tillie Briggs. Middle Row: Mgr. Alexis Bellamy,Mgr. Ashley Vazquez, Brandon Baker, Jacob Carson, Dane Jenkins, Bailey Kessler, Levi Brown, Gabe Moore, Tony Garcia, Carter Woody, Coach Burkhart, Coach Adkins. Back Row: Dale Berger, Luchas Schoonover, Austin Baker, Zak Linnemeier, Kale Sherman, Jacob Krugman, Sam Savage





Direct Right: The guys come in from the field. Far Right: Zak Linnemeier drops the bat after hitting a single. Bottom Right: Rhett Coblentz watches the game from the dugout. Bottom Middle:A mad dash in hopes of scoring. Bottom Left: The guys wait in the in field for the play to be made Bottom Right:The guys watch anxiously for a play to be made.



















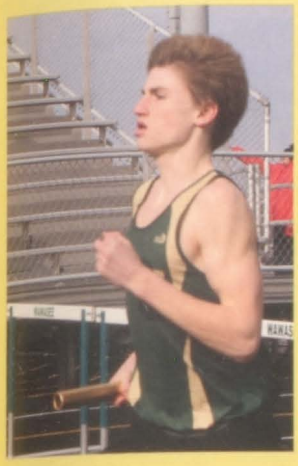
Starting in the top left corner, going clockwise: Sam Griner heads toward the finish line in the final stretch of his race. Lila Gregory sprints past the competition. Elizabeth Zorn, who placed sixth in regionals in the 1600, looks relaxed at the start of her run. Sam Griner, Xavier Ortiz, and Travis Harney line up for the 100 m sprint. Cole Van Lue and Eric Yankowski try to edge out a competitor from Warsaw. Liz Hardy and Hannah-Marie Lamle sprint for the finish.







Left to right: Natalie Winters watches to see how far her shotput flies. State Qualifier Alexis Manges preps to throw her discus. Elijah Tipping winds up for shotput.



Toward the Finish Line

The track team had success as individuals this season. Sophomore Luke Griner (above left)placed ninth in the state in the 800. Hannah Marie won sectionals in the long jump, second in the 100 in and third in the 300 at sectionals. Jada Parzygnote got 4th in pole vault at sections and Elizabeth Zorn got 4th in the 1600. At regionals Hannah Marie qualified for state after placing 4th in the long jump, and Jada Parzygnote set a new school record in pole vault. Alexis Manges qualified for state, placing third in discus, and Hannah-Marie Lamle made it to state in the long jump.



Girls Track Team

Front row: Sydney Jaggers, Liz Hardy, Delanie Bame, ,Elizabeth Zorn, Autumn Yoder, Alexis Manges,. Second row: Katie Haines, Yanelly Pizana, Valeria Pixana, Lila Gregory, Mckenzie Smith, Katelyn Baker. Third row: Ashley Graff, Tamara Bruder, Casey Schroder, Sara Pritchard, Caitlin Wortinger, Hannah Lancaster, Hannah Rhodes, Madison Coy, Kenzie Click, Ellsie Bowman, Jada Parzygnot, KC Mendoza, Cassie Ponce, Hannah-Marie Lamle, Natalie Winters, Nadia Palacios, Kristabella Arriola



Boys Track Team

Front Row: Mgr. Sydney Jaggers, Sam Griner, Cole VanLue, Michael Katzer. Second row: Mgr. Katie Haines, Brandon Kidd, Ben Hoffert, Luke Griner, Travis Harney, Braxton Alexander, Spencer Hare, Thomas Conley, Benson Yoder. Third row: Xavier Ortiz, Jeremy Napier, Zane Kemper, Michael Drabenstott, Keyan Peete, Kevin Weikhart, Alex Castro, Ryan Zorn, Geremia Brooks, Clay Kelsheimer, Taylor Howlwell, Back Row: Dylan Hepler, Eric Yankosky, Chris Allen, Elisha Tipping, Alec Lenox, William Geer, Hunter Hlutke, Michael Hammer, Eddie Gilmore, Spencer Naugler

Right to left: Alex Castro hurdles ahead. Track meets in March can be chilly! Michael Hammer and Yanelly Pizana dominate their heat in the 800. Caitlin Wortinger holds her own in the 4 x 800 relay.









Take it to Court

Girl's Tennis

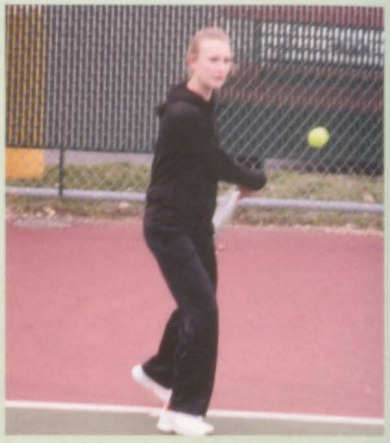


Kneeling :Brittney Jackson Valerie Haessig, Ashley Rose, Peyton Rookstool, Anah Sommers, Kennedy Church, and Graham Perek Standing: Coach Shane Staley, Sailor Davis-York, Brianna Haessig, Julie Christensen, Molly Jones, Courtney Larson, Kabrea Rostochak, Elizabeth Kleopfer, Kaitlin Graber, and Aaron Troutman



Kabrea Rostochak hits an overhead to put away a shot.

Peyton Rookstool hits a backhand to win a point against her opponent.





Elizabeth Kleopfer gets ready to return a ball to her opponent.

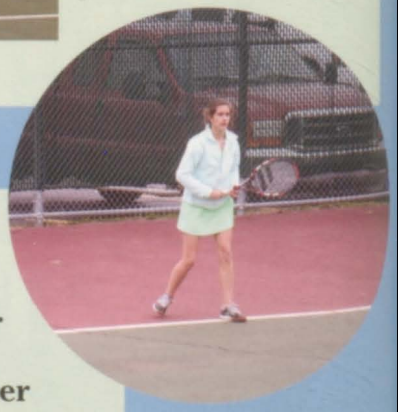


Brianna Haessig waits to return the ball



Left: Anah Sommers hits a serve to begin a point.

Below: Kaitlin Graber prepares herself for a point.



This year the girl's tennis team took home their first trophy since 2005. They got 6th place in conference and won 2 conference matches. The girl's tennis coach had a few things to say about them. "This tennis team has been one of the most enjoyable teams I have ever coached. They've accomplished more this season than any other girl's tennis team in the past decade-plus at their school. I am definitely proud of them and the hard work they have put into the program."- Shane Staley

Boy's Golf



Luke Weisser parctices his sswing to get the best shot possible.



Kneeling: Managers Zoe White, Jadison Rostochak, and Katie Weisser. Standing: Cameron Brill, A.J. Galloway, Coach Steve Coverstone, Cody Sherman, Jared Krugman, Dillon Drake, Jake Cowan, Luke Weisser , Zach Leedy, and Kobe Jones

Leading the Way



Jared Krugman gets ready to hit the ball.



Cody Sherman puts his club away after his shot.



Cameron Brill drives his ball onto the fairway



Jared Krugman and Evan Dippon discuss their scores.





Doin' Fine, Oklahoma!

Oklahoma is a musical that takes place in 1906. It consists of two complex love triangles that try to figure themselves out. Curly (senior Evan Kruger), Laurey (senior Alexandra Fiscus), and Jud (senior Ethan Wright) are in a disagreement when Jud tries to take Laurey for himself. Curly wins Laurey over with his charm and determination. Ali Hakim (sophomore Ian McClintock), Will Parker (junior Jordan Ethridge), and Ado Annie (senior Laura Stump) are a confusing and wild bunch. Ado likes both men, but cannot decide which to be with. After a lot of indecisiveness Ado finally ends up with Will and Ali goes to Gertie Cummings (freshman Grace Morrison).





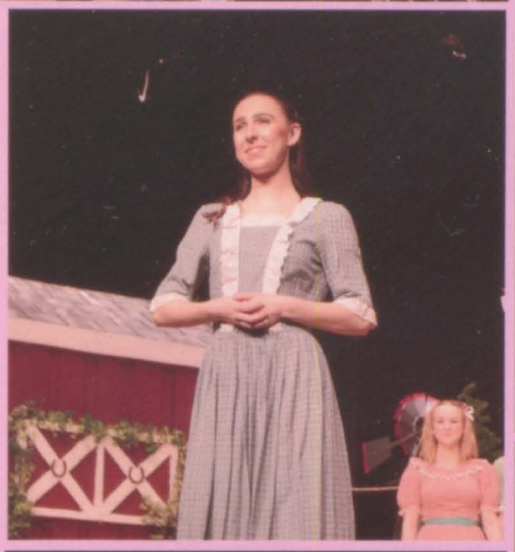








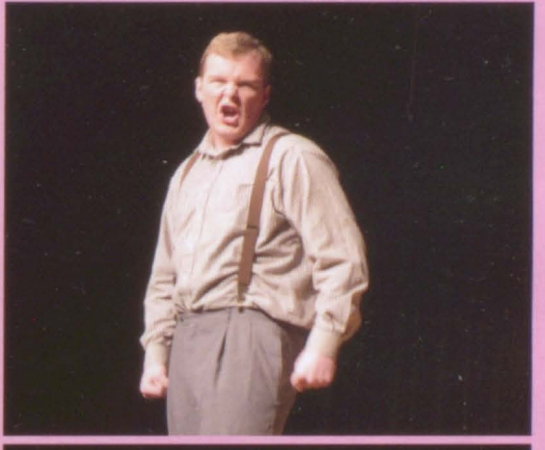
Top Left: Curly sings *Oh, What a Beautful Mornin'* to Aunt Eller. Top Middle: Cowboys dance with Will Parker after he returns from Kansas City. Top Right: Everyone investigates the gun shots. Left: Laurey tries to get over Curly by singing *Many a New Day*. Right: Ado Annie tries to persude her father into letting her marry Ali Hakim. Right: Will Parker talks about all the amazing things he saw in Kansas City. Left: Curly and Jud argue over Laurey. Under: Jud sings about his feelings. Bottom Left: Aunt Eller tries to get the cowboys and the farmers to understand each other at the picnic lunch. Bottom Middle: Ali gives Ado Annie a Persian Goodbye. Bottom Right: Laurey and Curly sing *People Will Say We're in Love* after finally confessing their feelings to each other.

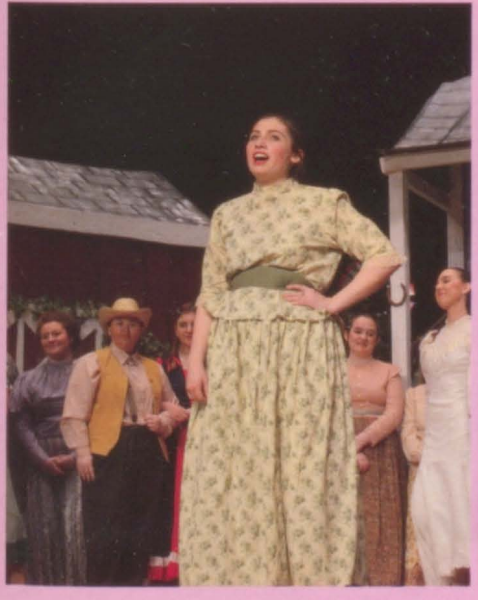






















Above left: The Prototype Ethanol team poses with their car: Derek Smith, Zach Avery, Kabrea Rostochak, Meghan Fretz, Hunter Hlutke, and Brett Miller. Below left: The Ethanol car races down the track. Above right: The Urban Diesel team competed in a new category for the first time, with a prototype that more closely resembles a real car. Joe LeCount, Anthon Anker, Rhett Coblentz, Evan Richey, Michael Katzer, Cole Van Lue, and Zak Linnemeir. Below, right: The Diesel car almost won its race!



Supermilage

The teams competed over a long weekend in Detroit, Michigan. The students enjoyed their trip. Some even journeyed home Saturday night for Prom, and returned to Detroit for the final day of competion right after!





Excellence in Competition

Take on the World

Wawasee students took it to the next level in extracurricular competition this year! DECA sent five students to the West Coast to compete at the National level. Robotics journeyed to the world competition, and the Supermilage team also faced national and international competition. Congratulations to these Warriors who represented our school across the country!







DECA







DECA delegates who made it to Anaheim for competiton are pictured at the top of the page: Jacob Krugman, Jake Cowen, Rosalie Garro, Mason Gray, and Nathan Perek. These students enjoyed the beautiful scenery of the West Coast while competing in the national competion.

Robotics

Garden of Glamour

Prom at Oakwood Resort Dazzles Students

Prom was held on April 29, 2017. Though the skies were stormy, the rain held off until the end of the evening. Students danced the night away in a beautiful indoor garden. Stacie Castle and Noah Wadkins won Prom King and Queen. It was a beautiful, memorable night for everyone!



Peyton Scheckles and Maija Bonebreak



Samantha Gentry and Shelby Kern



Laura Stump and Anthony Whalen

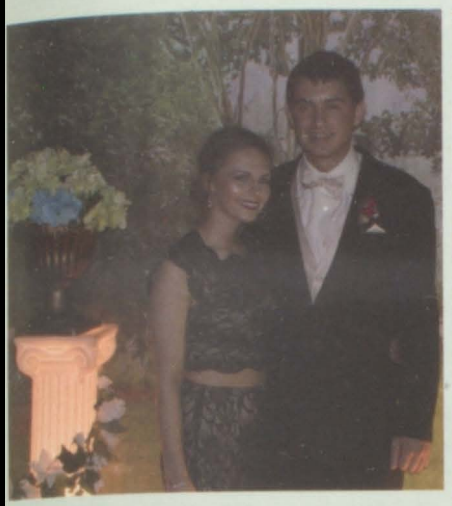


Sydney Faubion and Robert McKinney





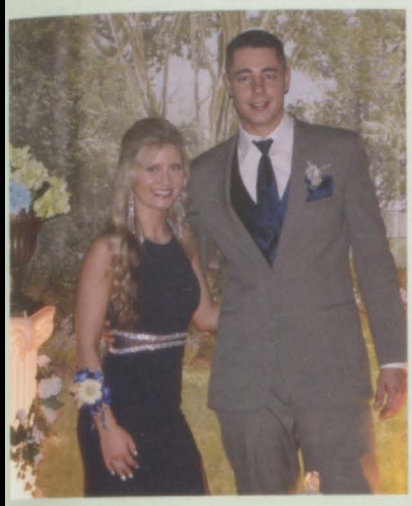
Right: Wawasee seniors and their dates anxiously wait to go through admission. Above: Students slow dance to a romantic song under the starry lights of the garden.







Left: April Freed and Cody Mast. Middle: Cedric Church and Jorden Gerber share a romantic slow dance. Right: Robert Sopher and Kristen Martindale take a break from dancing for a quick picture.



Bridget Griffin and her date.

Prom Queen and King



Noah Watkins and Stacie Castle



One of the most popular dances at prom is always the Cha Cha Slide. Above, almost everyone got on the dance floor to boogie down together.



Some students preferred to relax at the tables, enjoy the delicious punch and cupcakes provided by Mr. Bauer, and have fun with their friends. Above, Destiny Howard, Erin Kleinhen, Amanda Foy, Kayla Hendrix, and Cassie Hunt take a break for refreshments.

On the Farm

Agriculture Students Educate

Each May the Ag classes and FFA put on a day of education for the second grade students of Wawasee High School. With highlights including farm animals ranging from a horse, two day-old calves, goats, a sheep, pigs, and even a working dog, to a chance to sit in a large tractor, to an ice cream treat, this day is filled with fun for both young and old! The students learn not only about life on the farm but about where the food they eat each day really comes from–and they get to have fun while doing it!

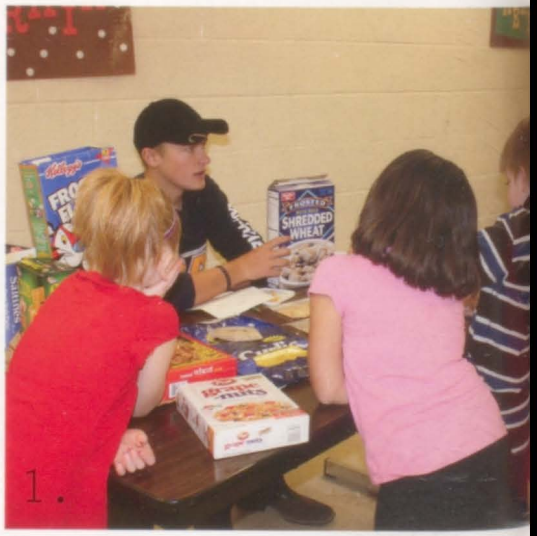


Below: Sophmore Gabe Sidwell shows off his horse to seniors Kevin Henson and Christian Schmidt.





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In the barn

Below: Lauren Ramirez shows off her sister's sheep Amelia to a few second graders.
Top Middle: Two second graders visit man's best friend as Isabelle Kloss explains the function of herding dogs on the farm. The kids loved getting to pet Mr. Kimmel's Great Pyranees, Sadie
Bottom Middle: Sean Pinkerton talks about farm machinery.
Bottom: Emily Sabin carefully holds a baby turkey for the second graders to see, but not touch!



Lauren Mangum leans down to pet a one day old calf as Mrs. Kalumin and Carson McCarthy look on. Senior Hunter Magera talks to other students off camera.









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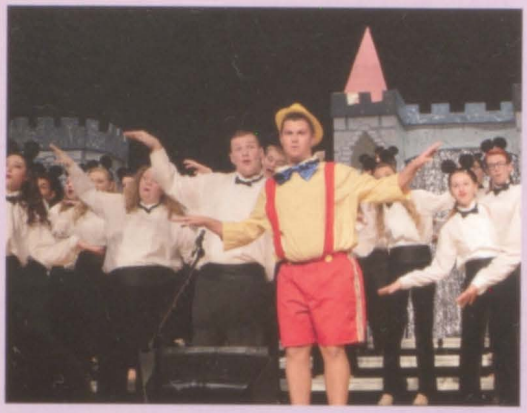
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1. Freshman Josh Wuthrich talks to some second graders about different kinds of cereal and the grains they contain.
2. Senior Christy Carson and Junior Alexis Matney dish up some fun in the form of delicious vanilla ice cream. This sweet treat is one of the most loved parts of the day.
3. Junior Clara Hardy instructs a few eager second graders on the proper way to pet a goat.
4. Sohpmore Austin Murphy talks to the second graders about the meat from cows.





Vocal Motion sings a song from Mary Poppins



Terrence Egolf performs a song with vocal motion dressed as Pinnochio.

Startting below and moving clockwise: Jordan Ethridge bursts into a solo while Lauren Bogart and EJ Kirpatrick watch him in their tribute ot Disney medley. Deanna Meade sings "Sally's Song" from *The Nightmare Before Christmas.* Ethan Wright performs his solo, "Friends from the Other SIde" from The Princess and the Frog. Alex Fiscus performs "Let it Go" Taylor Haywood sings "I can go the Distance." The Advanced Choir belt out "Scales and Arpeggios."

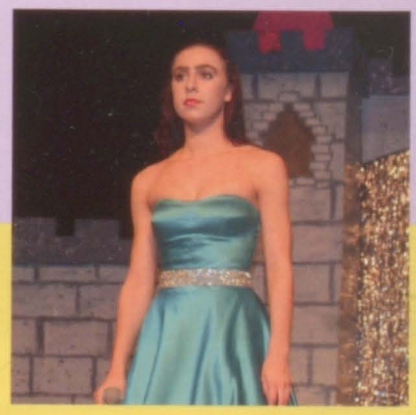














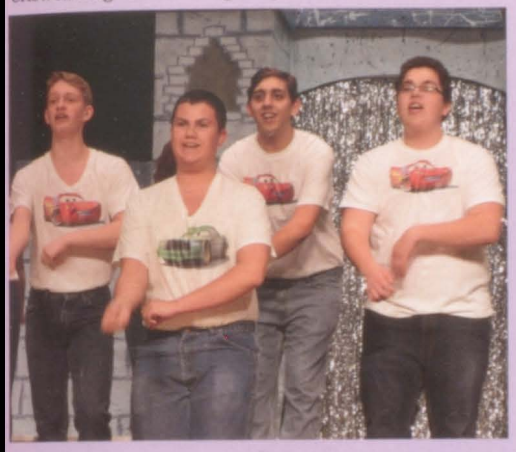
The whole choir harmonizes in a Disney choir featuring Gabby Lee as the Fairy Godmother from *Cinderella*.



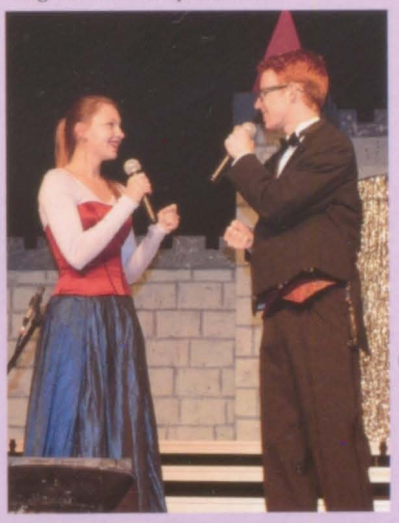
Ben Meeks and Joelle Rassi sing the duet " I See the Light" from *Tangled*.

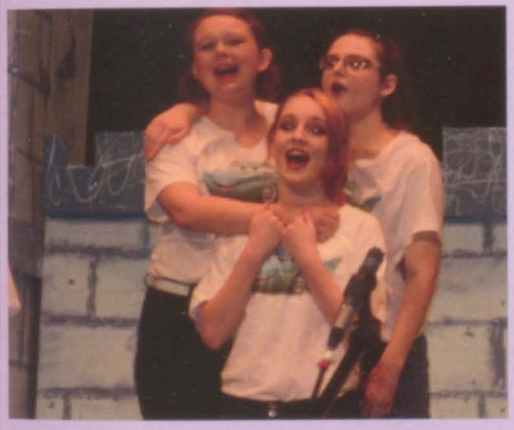


Isiah Faurote, Terrence Egolf, David Norris, Jose Criswell sing "Life is a Highway" from *Cars*.



Bailey Schroeder and Jordan Ethridge sing "Love is an Open Door."





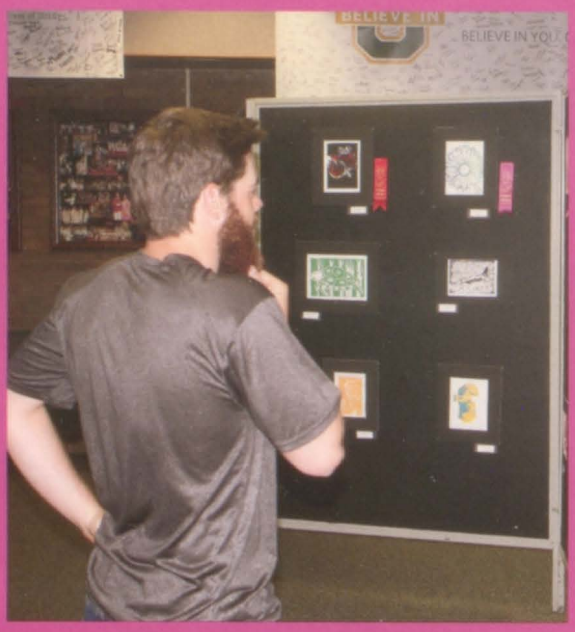
Anita Denney, Raven Brown, and Arianna Wheeler hug as they sing "Life is a Highway"



Sarah Emigh sings a solo in her Mary Poppins tribute

Pops Show 2017: A Tribute to Disney

The choirs, under the direction of Connie Meadows, put on their annual Pop Show featuring a fan favorite theme–Disney! Everyone, including the performers and their audience, loves hearing songs from classic Disney movies including Cinderella and Mary Poppins to new favorites like Cars, Tangled, and Frozen. The castle backdrop and the amazing costumes and props added a magical touch to the show. The Beginning Choir, Advanced Choir, and Vocal Motion all performed several show-stoppers, and in between many students were featured in solos and duets. Though the show takes months of hard work and lasts only two nights, it is a show everyone is most proud of. Congratulations to the vocal music department on another fine performance!



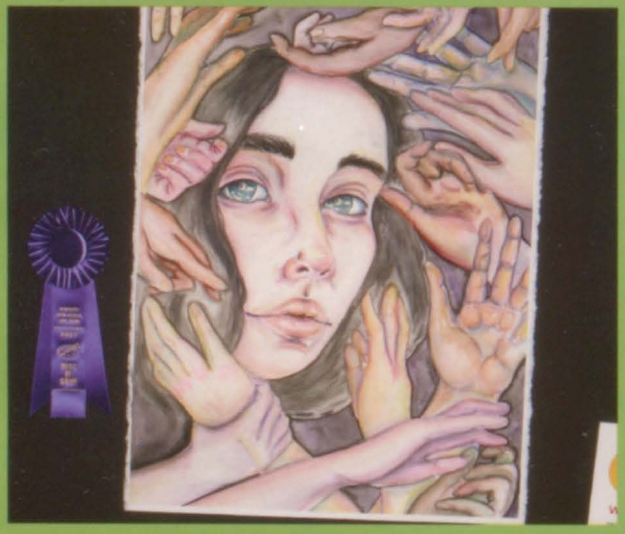
Left: Senior Rylan Kuhn views some artwork from print making. Bottom left: Senior Paul Mendoza views some on display. Bottom right: Mr. Holiday and some students view some senior displays.

Show It Off

This years was a huge hit. Everyone worked very hard this year on their artwork and it showed. The seniors had their artwork from this year and the past on display to show how much they've worked hard. There were only good reviews on everyone work.



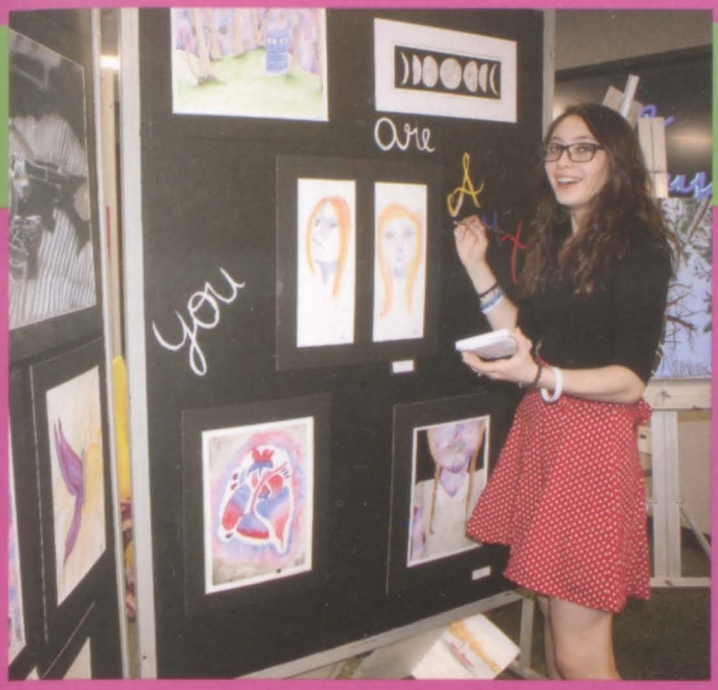


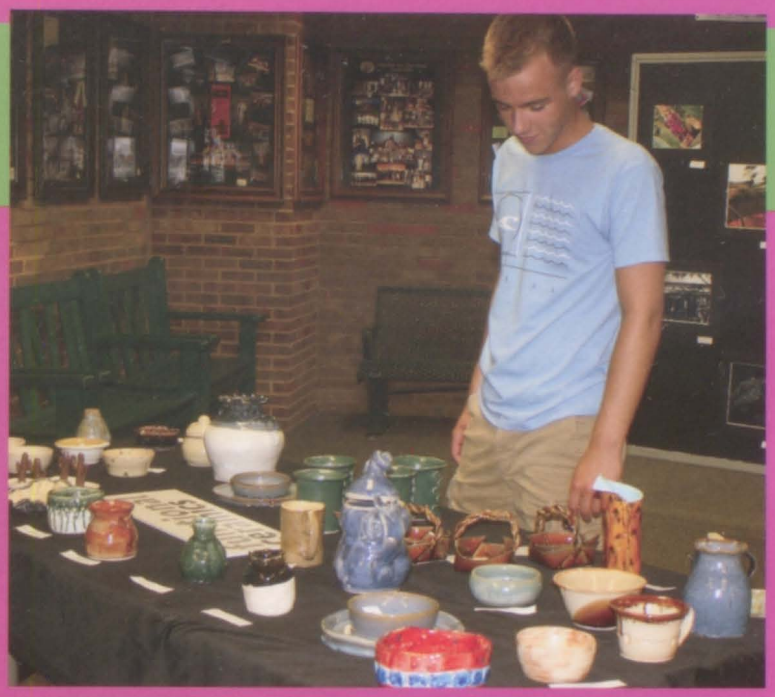


BEST OF SHOW WINNER

Junior Wynter Rhodes is this years Best of Show winner with her watercolor painting Touch. She also has a color pencil drawing that will be on display in Carnage Hall.







Top right: Junior Kegan Silva Views the useable ceramics on display. Top left: Senior Jade Davison works on her senior display. Middle right: Senior Jacob Clauson sets up some ceramics for his senior display. Bottom right: Sophomore Cali Wilaman views some fellow classmates hard work. Bottom left: Seniors Ethan and Aurelia view her senior display.







Stay Creative

One Last Hurrah











On their last Thursday as high school students, the senior class met in the football field for their senior picnic. Students ate hotdogs and burgers, enjoyed the sunshine, and played games on the field in their last informal gathering as a class.

Top Left: Christian Wolkenand Rylan Kuhn eat in the bleachers with other seniors. Top Right: April Freed and Alexis Young take a break from the fun to pose for a picture. Middle Left: Tyler Smith and Shelby Adams battle over a soccer ball. Middle Right: Seniors line up for some good eats. Bottom: Mrs. Judy smiles for the camera, enjoying her time outside in the sunshine.







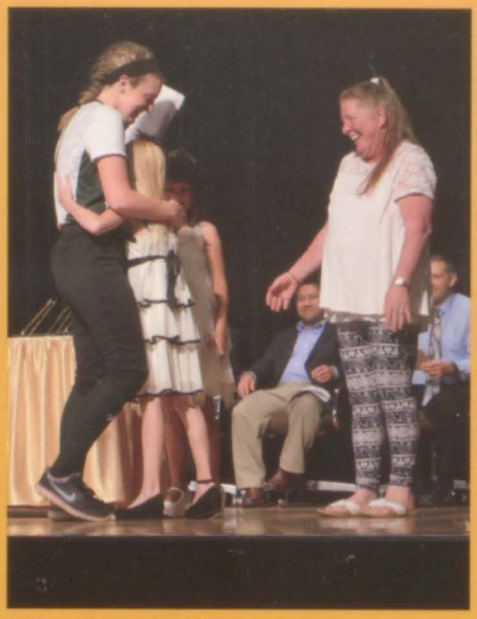




Top: Jessica O'Donnel, Stacie Castle, Alex Fiscus, Jade Grady, Taylor Freel, Shala Amelio, and others relax in the sunshine while watching the action on the field. Middle Left: Mr. Ekovich and Mr. Nguyen get some hotdogs off the grill to feed the hungry seniors. Middle Right: Ariel Beck, Aiden Whalen, Gage Whitmar, Pascal Blatter, and Emily Sommers leave the bleachers to join the fun after their meal. Bottom Left: Hunter Newlin is not amused at the picnic paparrazi. Bottom Right: Bailey Schroeder waves as she and her classmates head down to the picnic at the start of second lunch.



Haleigh Smarr racked up many awards during the night, including one from the Syracuse American Legion.



Christy Carson, fresh from a softball game, won several scholarships, including the Payton David Brettell Memorial Scholarship (which also came with a hug from the presenters

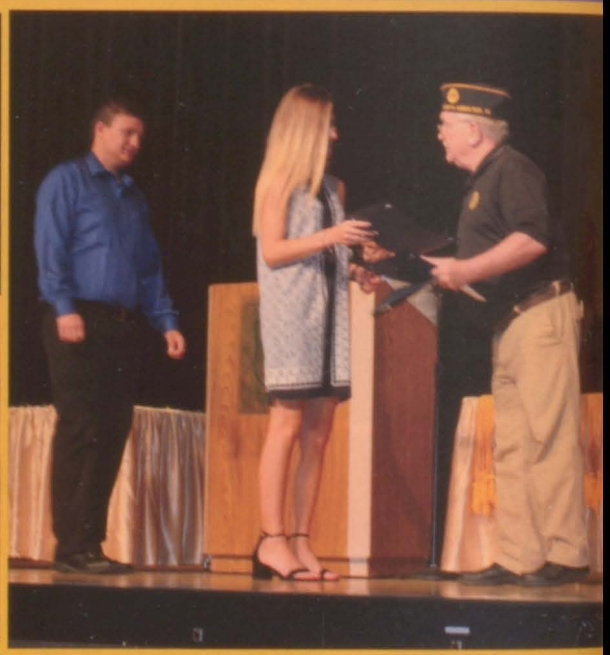


Evan Krueger and Lauren Bogart were honored as Valedictorian and Salutatorian, respectively, of the incredibly academically competitive class of 2017.

Hard Work Rewarded

Right: Leeann Estrada was honored for receiving the Wells Scholarship from Indiana University Bloomington. This award is given to a handful of students from across the country and includes a full ride, a semester abroad, and many other perks. Far right: James McKinney and Madison Fisher received a scholarship from the North Webster American Legion Post 253. Other scholarship winners include (below, left to right): Conrad Foreman, Delanie Bame, Kara Schrock, Madison Coy, and Madison McBride.

















Senior Award Night

The senior class gathered to see their classmates reveive over 67 scholarships from different groups around the community and state. Pictured right are the many members of the senior class who received either an academic honors diploma, technical honors diploma, or both.



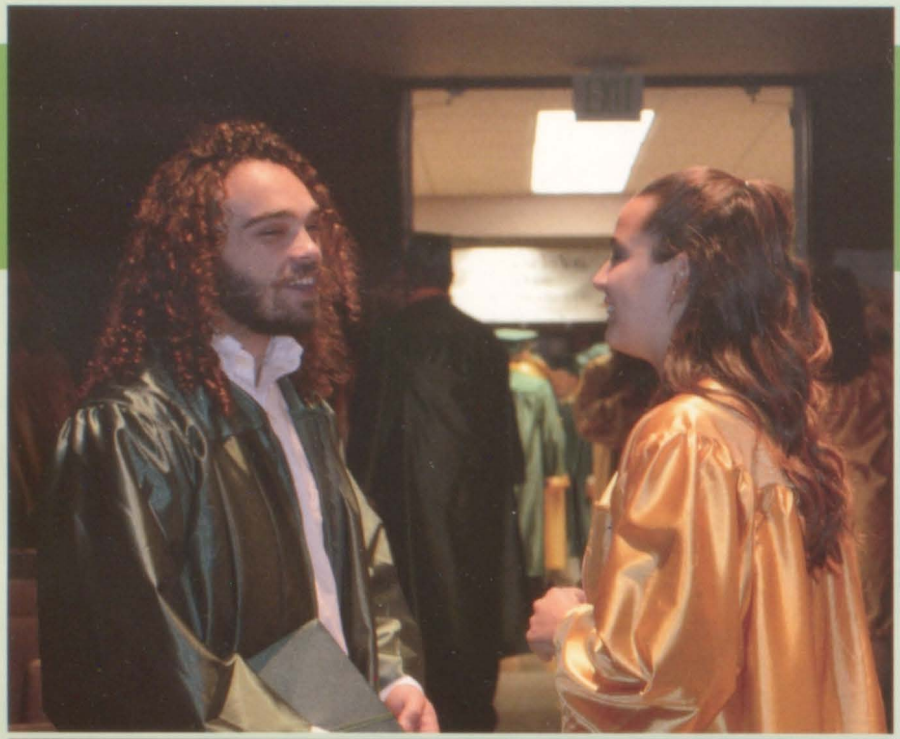
Academic Hall of Fame Members

Academic Hall of Fame members received their gold cords to wear to graduation, denoting they graduated with a 10.0 or above.
Front row: Krislynn Lancaster, Alex Fiscus, Jade Davidson, Madison McBride, Hannah Potunley. Row 2: Gabrielle Michaelson, Ethan Wright, Jonas Clayton, Hunter Mageira, Christy Carson, Ashley Beer. Row 3: Rachel Starrett, Kayla White, Hannah Haines, Leeann Estrada, Aurelia Slusher, Madie Wilson. Row 4: Haleigh Smarr, Conrad Foreman, Sophie Miller, Evan Krueger, Madison Coy, Skylar Janda, Autumn Yoder. Row 5: Nate Haines, Nathan Perek, Kelsey Chupp, Gabby Lee, Taylor Mock, Tim Conley, Cole Van Lue. Back row: Mason Gray, Sidney Smith, Austin Kline, Hannah LaMaine, Lauren Bogart, Paige Miller, Ariel Beck.



Dollars for Scholars

Dollars for Scholars students participate in numerous funderaisers through their junior and senior years to earn their own scholarships for college. This year's group includes:
Front row: Madison Fisher, Delanie Bame, Kayla Sweatland, Ariel Beck, Sabrina Camargo. Row 2: Hannah LaMaine, Stephanie Mejia, Paige Miller, Molly Swartz, Madison McBride, Taylor Bontreger. Back row: Tiffany Bray, Lauren Bogart, Alexis Manges, Mason Gray.









Before the playing of Pomp and Circumstance, the senior class gathers for the last time in the Surge and Audtorium as friends and classmates. Soon, they will officially wrap up a twelve year journey...

Above: Rhett Coblentz and Christy Carson share a moment before graduation. Top Left: Noah Wadkins and Madison Rhodes take a second to reminice about high school. Middle Left: Shala Amelio, Julia Christensen, Mariana Salguero-Astudillo, and Meghan Fretz pose for a picture, thrilled to be almost done with high school. Bottom Left: Hunter Newlin and Jonas Clayton share an excited fist-bump. Below Right: Juan Medina, Oscar Tienda, and Cameron Brill look relaxed before one of the biggest days of their lives. Bottom Right Madelyn Batista tries to snap a pic of Haleigh Smarr and Stacie Castle





The Future is Now

Wawasee Commencement, June 4 2017

Loyal to our high school,
Fight on for her fame.
She shall not have lived in vain
for her glory will endure.
Then march on for her honor,
Our school will prevail;
In our hearts one name stands foremost:
WAWASEE!

-Wawasee High School Hymn
Words by Amy (Coy) Matherly
Class of 1970

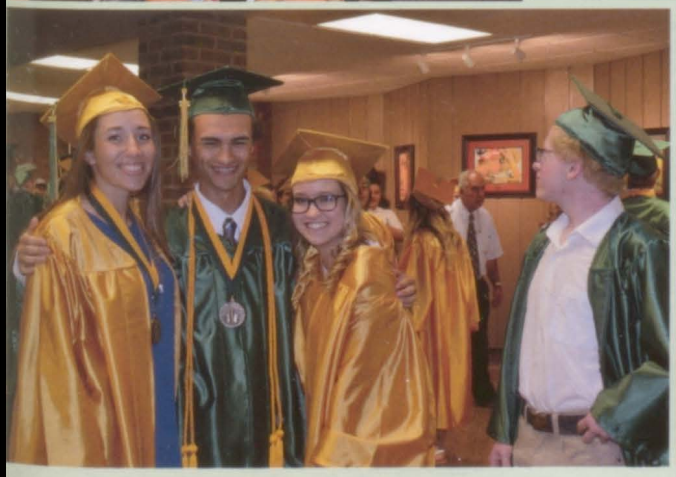




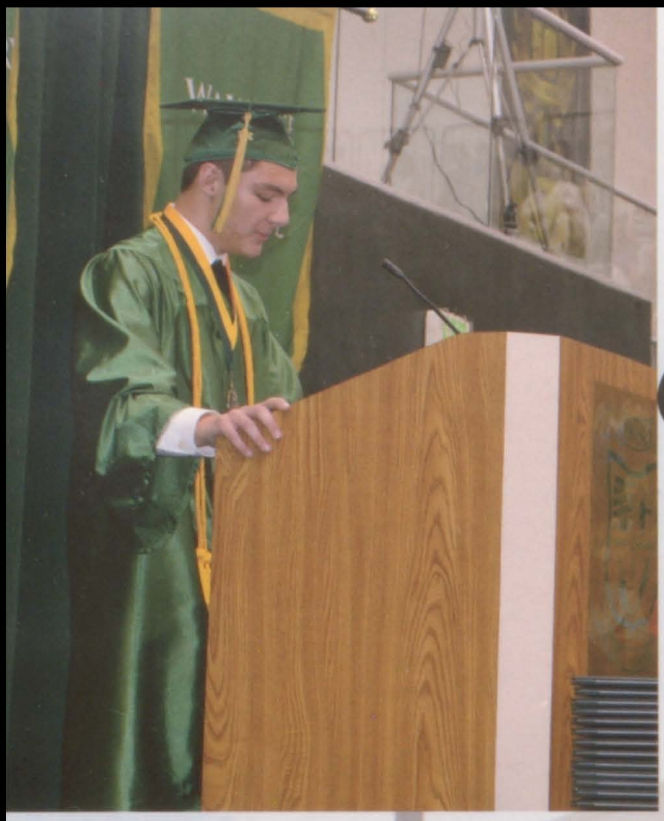




Top: Deanna Meade, followed by Cole Van Lue and Bailey Schroedoer, begin the procession to the gym. Above: Rylan Kuhn, Kobe Jones, Taylor Mock, Sabrina Camargo, and Gage Whitmar walk towards their ceremony. Far Left Top: Bridget Griffin, Angel Gonzoles, and Ashley Minnix prepare for graduation. Direct Left Top: Kayliegh Rhodes, Kyle Hunter, and Ivy Rehborg pose for a picture. Bottom far left: Riley Kunkle, Nate Haines, and Alexis Young get together for one last photo as Josh Webber looks on. Below: Molly Swartz, Ashley Beer, Madie McBride, Madison Beaman, and Mason Gray are excited to graduate!





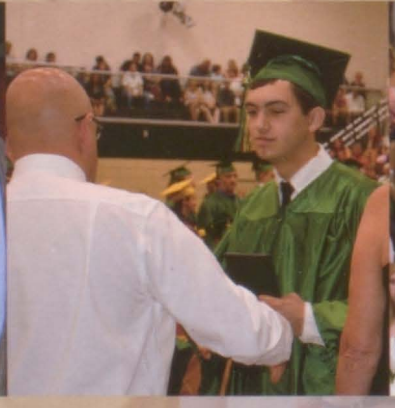


Valedictorian Evan Krueger reminded his classmates of their worth as individuals.

Class of 2017







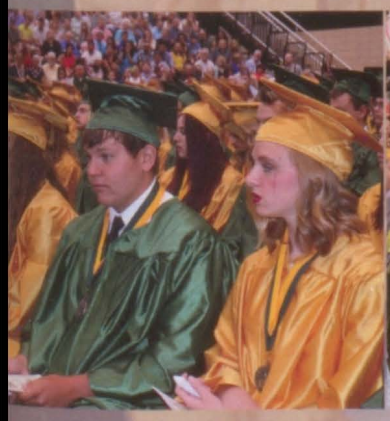




Salutetorian Lauren Bogart entertained the crowd with her speech.



Congratulations!



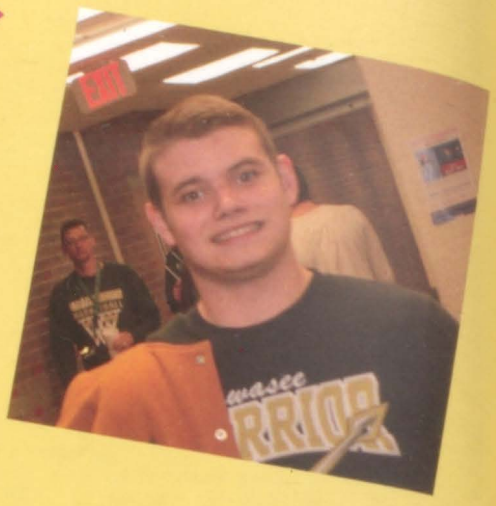






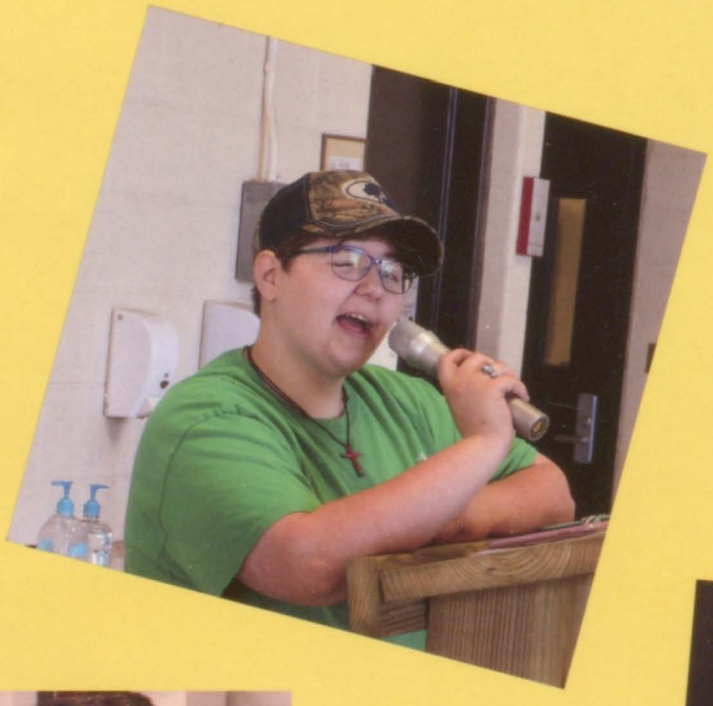
SMILES AHEAD

Portraits: Students and Faculty






















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Otis Spunkmeyer
Sweet Discovery
KEEP FROZEN
FROZEN COOKIE DOUGH


LOVE



The Senior Class of 2017







MEMORY LANE

NEW AVENUES







Kaylie Adams



Shelby Adams



Shala Amelio



Hanna Angel



Marissa Antu



SENIOR ADVICE

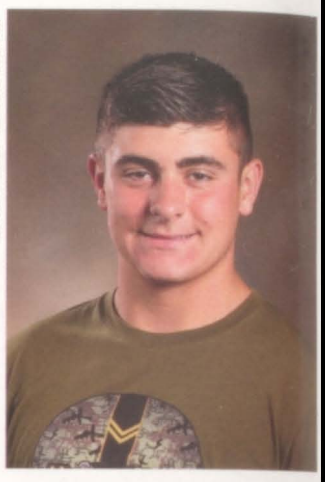
Life's a garden, dig it."
-Shelby Adams

"School can be hard and sometimes even cruel but it's also probably going to be the best four years of your life if you make every second count and get good grades and never give up."
-Michelle Barth

Delanie Bame



Gavin Barker



Felipe Baro-Tayahua



Michelle Barth



Madeline Batista



Madison Beaman



Ariel Beck



Ashley Beer



SENIOR MEMORIES

"Every single cheer block at Wawasee!!!"
-Madison Beaman



Kollin Bell



Rebecca Bender



Gabrielle Benton



SENIOR MEMORIES

"My favorite memory from high school was getting involved with different school activities. I made many friends from expanding and doing many of the clubs Wawasee has to offer. My favorite has to be drama, where else would you ever get to dress up as a purple ompa loompa? I loved getting to become different characters and making those characters come to life. I will miss high school and theater everyday, but I'm excited for the future and what may come my way."
-Rebecca Bender

Lauren Bogart



Caleb Bolt



SENIOR MEMORIES

"I was a part of the first Wawasee Marching Band to make it to Semi-State. In that night, we made history."
-Jerica Bontreger

Alyssa Bolyard



Maija Bonebrake



Jerrica Bontrager



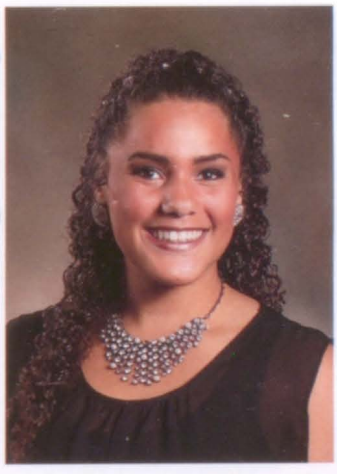
Taylor Bontreger



Tiffany Bray



Seaquinn Bright



Cameron Brill



Alejandra Brito



Brittany Busch



SENIOR MEMORIES

"When Miss Shotley asked me to change my name. That was pretty funny!"
-Seaquinn Bright

Sabrina Camargo



SENIOR MEMORIES

"Favorite memory: Worlds for robotics
Funnies memoryt: Davey and the Meditation Room"
-Cedric Church

"PROM!!!

Jonathan Craft



SENIOR MEMORIES

"Down in marine mechanics, we were summerizing boats. I walked around a boat to go get something, and Mr. Fisher drenched me in water from the boat. Luckily I had extra clothes in my car!"
-Leah deSomer

Austin Davidson



Jade Davidson



Alexandra DeLaughter



Leah deSomer



Jeremiah Dilley



Derek Dunithan



SENIOR MEMORIES

"One night after Pop Show I was going back to the dressing room after returning my head mic to the tech booth when I thought that I would attempt to be cool and fling the curtains back and walk through. Well, low and behold, only one of the two doors behind the curtains was open, so the entire right side of my body hit the door that was closed, and I went down on the stairs and was asked whether I was laughing or crying. I was most definitely laughing."
-Jade Davidson

Emily Edwards



Chase Elion



Sarah Emigh



Conner Erlenwein



Leeann Estrada



SENIOR QUOTES

Sydney Faubian
"But it ain't how hard you hit; it's about how hard you can get hit, and keep moving forward. How much you can take, and keep moving forward. That's how winning is done. -Rocky

Sydney Faubion



Trevor Fein



Alexandra Fiscus



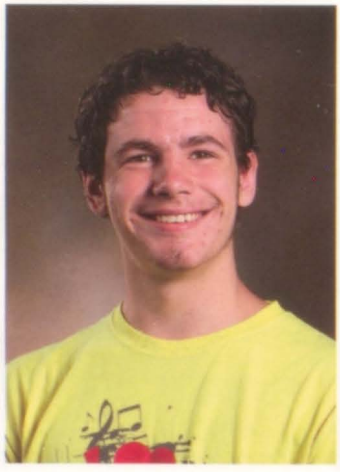
SENIOR QUOTES

Madison Fisher
"Difficult experiences, whether they are sadness, loss, hunger, poverty, illness, or death, rarely occur because you invited them into your life. But when life does place hardship in your path it ALWAYS offers a chance to learn strength...."

Madison Fisher



Christopher Flora



SENIOR ADVICE

"Don't take physics."
-Conrad Foreman

"Get your stuff done freshman and sophomore year so you can mess around your junior and senior year."
-April Freed

Conrad Foreman



April Freed



Chase Freel



Taylor Freel



Meghan Fretz



Ian Gardner



Zebulon Glon



Angel Gonzalez



Chloe Gosnell



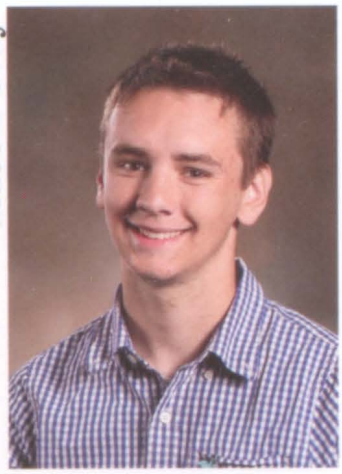
SENIOR MEMORIES

"Getting kicked out of 6 different McDonald's after football and basketball games."
-Zeb Glon

Jade Grady



Mason Gray



SENIOR QUOTES

Nathan Haines
"Paul, please don't lick my map." - Mrs. Myers

Bridget Griffin



Samuel Griner



SENIOR MEMORIES

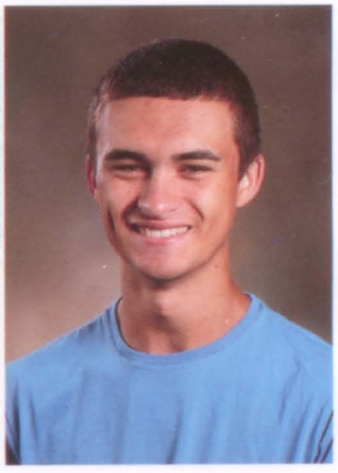
"Winning the 2016 Pow Wow Dodge-ball tournament #Team Trump"
-Samuel Griner



Hannah Haines



Nathan Haines



Jordan Hall



Mykah Hall



Daniela Hamby



Selena Hamby



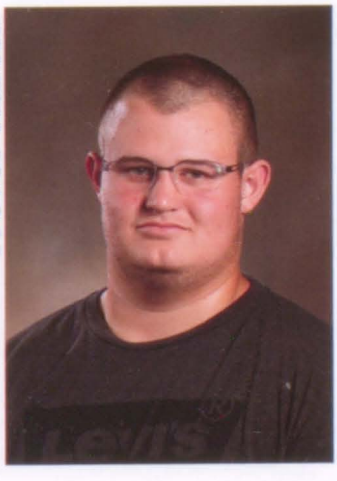
Elizabeth Hardy



Gabrielle Harris



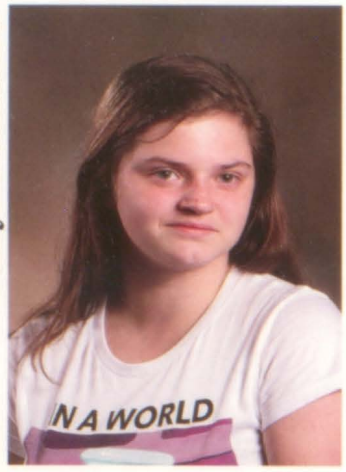
Trevor Harter



SENIOR MEMORIES

"Playing volleyball as a sophomore and having a huge cheer block to support us, even when we played in the annex gym."
-Elizabeth Hardy

Erynn Hatfield



SENIOR QUOTES

Taylor Haywood
"Your flaws don't define you."
~ Damon Fizzy

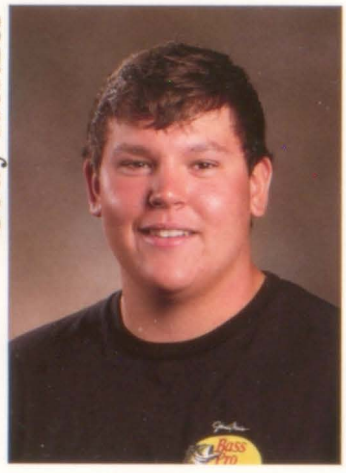
Taylor Haywood



Olivia Heim



Cody Heltzel



Kayla Hendrix



Kevin Henson



Britni Hiatt Busz



SENIOR MEMORIES

"Pow wow would be my favorite high school memory. I remember putting on that hot smelly sumo suit but it was worth it."
-Kayla Hendrix

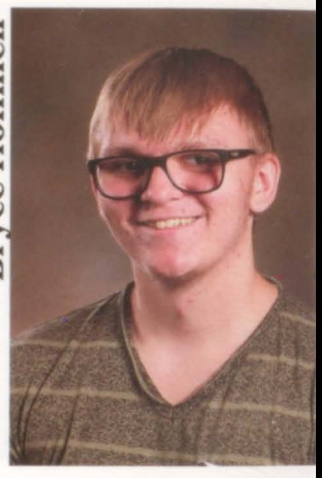
Joshua Hicks



Natalie Hitchcock



Bryce Hoffhien



Trevon Hollins



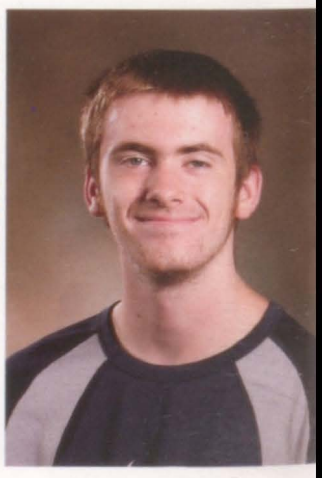
Destiny Howard



SENIOR ADVICE

"Take advantage of the opportunities you have. High school goes by really fast."
-Hannah Haines

Chase Howell



Cassandra Hunt



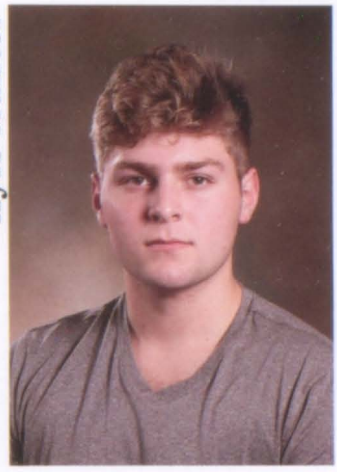
SENIOR ADVICE

"Have as much fun as you can while you can, but don't forget to get stuff done."
-Skylar Janda

Cameron Hunter



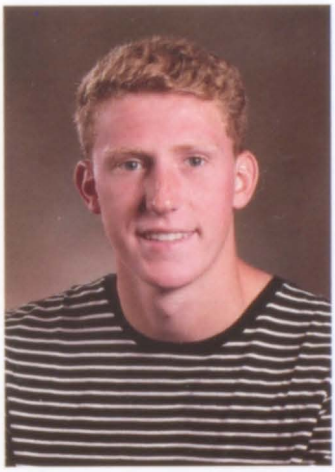
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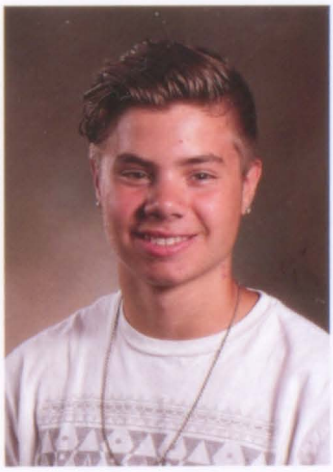
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Carter Jones



Kobe Jones



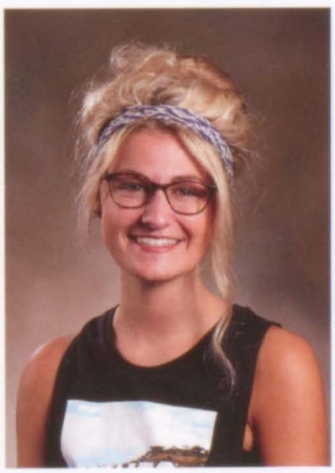
Samantha Jones



SENIOR MEMORIES

"My best memories are with my choir family, and becoming friends with all of them."
-Brittany Karr

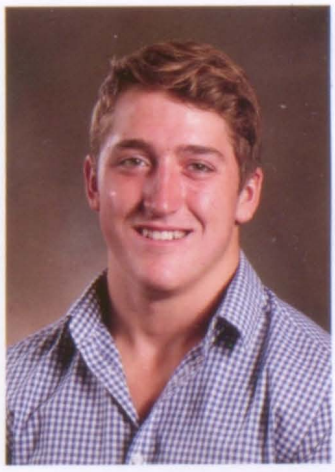
Katie Kirkham



Brittany Karr



Michael Katzer



Erin Kleinhen



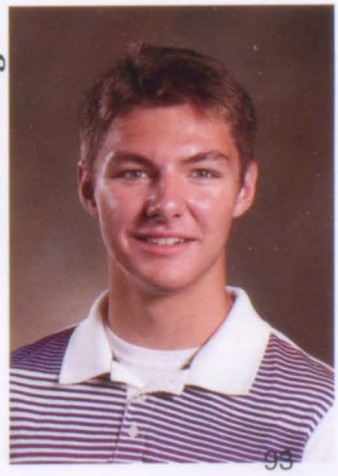
Austin Kline



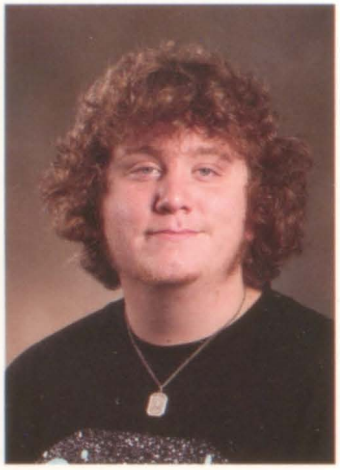
SENIOR MEMORIES

"At our robotics worlds competition we got the social media cart to help us flash mob the Cha Cha Slide in the middle of the competition and people from all over the world joined in to dance."
-Taylor Large

Evan Krueger



Brennan Kuczka



Rylan Kuhn



SENIOR MEMORIES

Before we left for one of our show choir competitions, Mrs. Meadows had been telling us every day that we needed to "focus." Taylor Haywood was in the bathroom and she goes, "If I hear her say focus one more time..." as she said that, Meadows walked into the bathroom and said, "excuse me?" TayHay covered up herself by saying, "I'm just going to have to focus!!!" We went out and got second place that day.
-Gabrielle Lee

Riley Kunkle



Hannah LaMaine



SENIOR MEMORIES

"Going to Semi-State with the marching band for the first time ever this past year. I cried a lot when it was announced, and so many people laughed and cried with me. It felt amazing to represent our school and show that we are truly worth it. We were the first."
-Hannah LaMaine

Krislynn Lancaster



Taylor Large



Emilia Layne



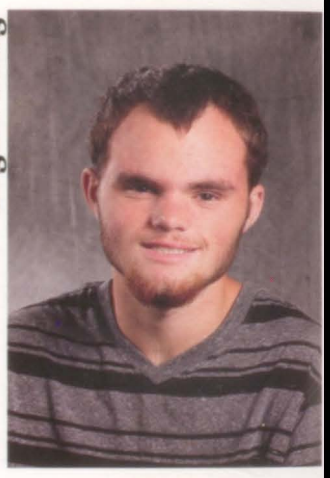
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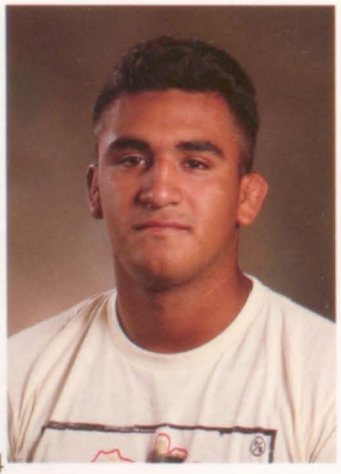
Amber Lemberg



Logan Long



Brandon Lopez



Ashlee Luttrell



Amy Lyons



SENIOR MEMORIES

"My favorite memory is making it to regionals my freshman year of softball."
-Amber Lemberg



Hunter Magiera



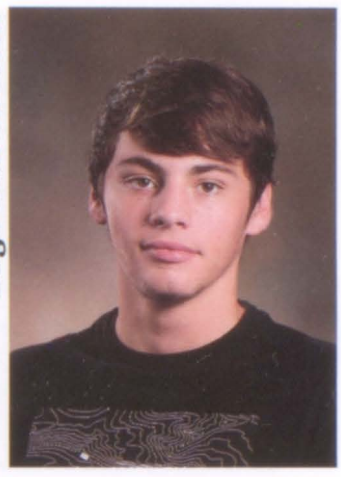
Alexis Manges



SENIOR ADVICE

"Work smart, join robotics, take Klenke's classes, and don't let anyone stop you from doing what you like. You can make it, we did."
-Taylor Large

Gage Marcuccilli



Kristin Martindale



SENIOR ADVICE

"Don't try to please everyone. Keep a small circle of friends. Quality over quantity."
-Kristin Martindale

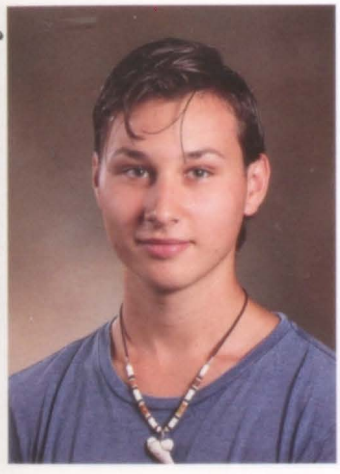
Cody Mast



Madison McBride



Nicholas McCarthy



Brooklyn McCulloch



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Deanna Mead



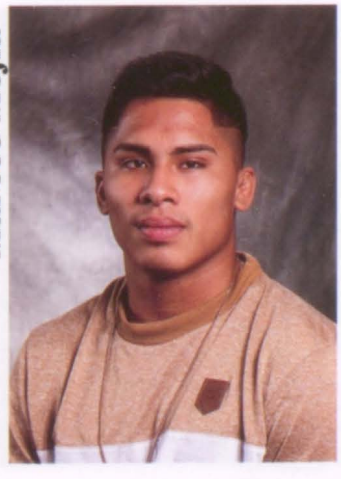
Juan Medina



Abigail Mejia



Marcos Mejia



SENIOR ADVICE

"Always do your best in, no matter what anyone says. Believe that you can do anything and never let anyone bring you down."
-Abigail Mejia

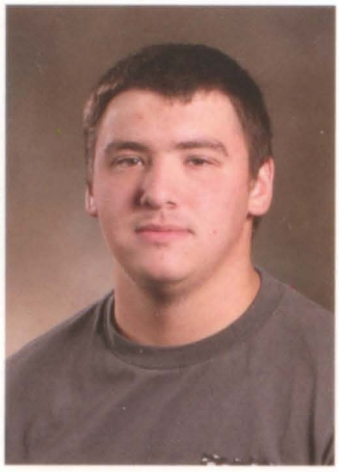
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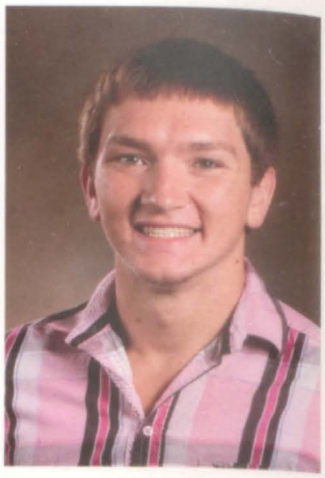
SENIOR MEMORIES

"All the four years worth of football locker room pranks. What happens in the locker room, stays in the locker room."
-Paul Mendoza

Adam Melton



Paul Mendoza



Gabrielle Michaelsen



Paige Miller



Sophia Miller



Coral Miller



SENIOR QUOTES

Sophie Miller-
"If a time traveler doesn't come back to tell you not to do whatever you were about to do, is it really that bad of an idea?"

Ashley Minnix



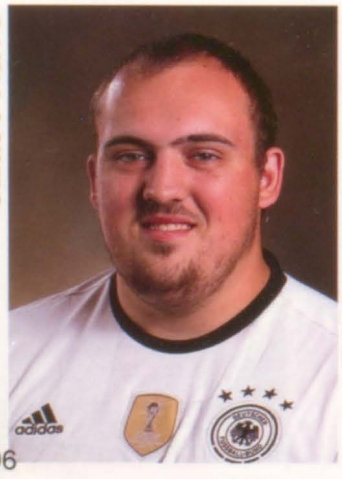
Taylor Mock



Jasmine Morehead



Chase Nave



Malaya Nelson



SENIOR ADVICE

Have fun! School is super important but make sure you have a good time too! Try new things, it'll make your high school experience less miserable.
-Jasmine Morehead

"Two words: Planned Procrastination."
-Hunter Newlin

Hunter Newlin



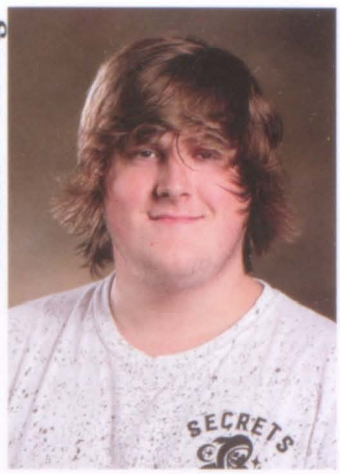
Jessica O'Donnell



SENIOR QUOTES

Jessica O'Donnell
"All our dreams can come true if we have the courage to pursue them."
- Walt Disney-

Braxton Oberg



Kiana Peete



Madison PeGan



Emily Pelikant



Nathan Perek



Riley Pierson



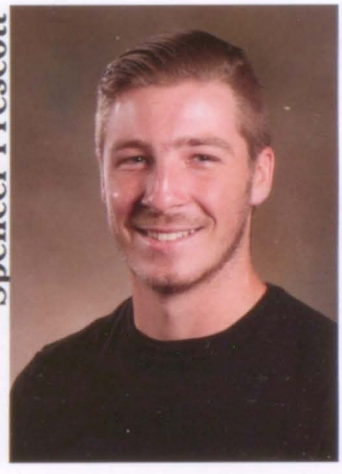
SENIOR MEMORIES

Chilling by the fire with Josh, Jaxon, Derek, Bryce, Noah, and Trevor.
-Riley Pierson

Hanna Potulney



Spencer Prescott



Cole Prins



Ivy Rehborg

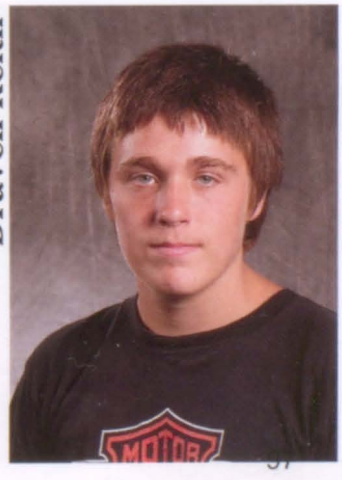


SENIOR ADVICE

Get your work done in a timely manner.
-Nathan Perek

Stop in the middle of the hallway and talk to your friends.
-Spencer Prescott

Draven Reith



Kayleigh Rhodes



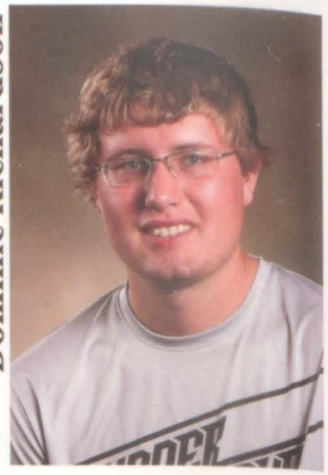
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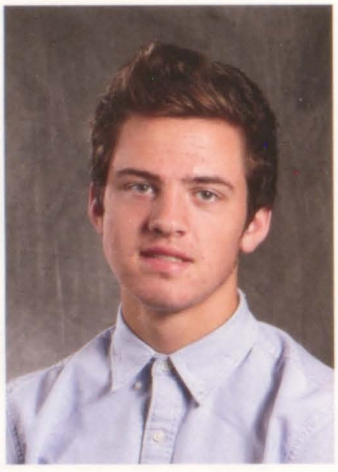
SENIOR ADVICE

Don't get caught up in the things that won't matter later in in life.
-Kayleight Rhodes

Dominic Richardson



Chandler Ritter



SENIOR ADVICE

You'll get through it if you put your mind to it.
High school is not just about the academics, its also about finding those lifelong friends and having as much fun as possible. Don't waste your extra time at home watching tv being lazy. Go out and make new friends and have fun.
-Christina Rocha

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Jordan Roe



Conner Rummel



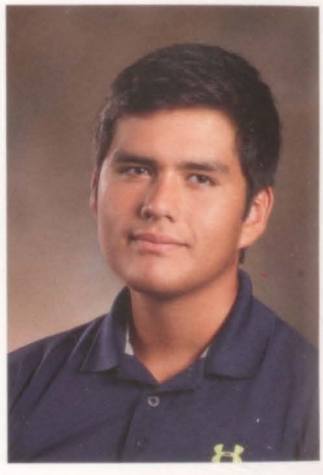
Trey Runyon



Abdiel Sanchez



Rene Sanchez



Alyssa Sarmiento



Michael Sautter



Cameron Schlabach



SENIOR QUOTES

Conner Rummel- "The goal isn't more money, The goal is living life on your own terms."

Aubrey Schmeltz



Christian Schmidt



SENIOR QUOTES

Davanna Schmucker (no photo available):
"Working hard is important, but there is something that matters more: believing in yourself." ~Harry Potter

Kara Schrock



Bailey Schroeder



SENIOR ADVICE

Take your ACTs & SATs early as possible & go on multiple college visits to pick the perfect college for you.
-Haleigh Smarr

Rachel Schwartz



Zachary Seabolt



Alexis Shelton



Leigh-Ann Shrack



Jadelyne Skelton



Haleigh Smarr



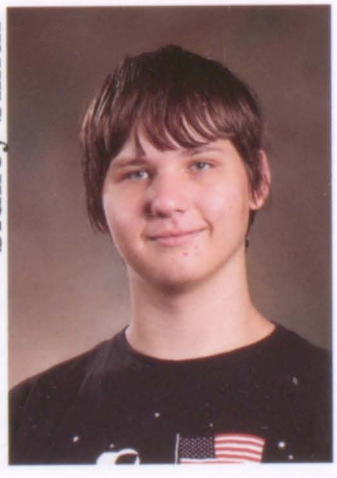
Brandon Smith



Brennan Smith



Sidney Smith



SENIOR QUOTES

Brandon Smith
"You can catch a lot of flies with honey, but you can catch more honeys being fly."

Tyler Smith



SENIOR ADVICE

Breath, it's just high school.
-Margaret Solina

Margaret Solina



Emily Sommers



Brayden Spore



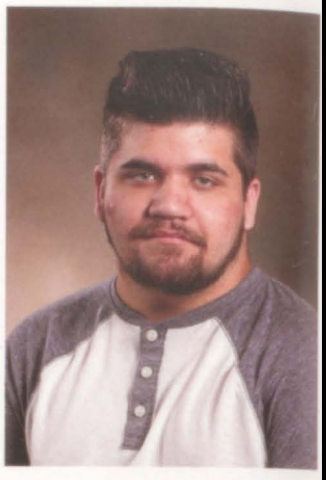
Rachel Starrett



Aurelia Slusher



Adam Stevens



SENIOR MEMORIES

"I loved being able to be a part of the Oklahoma cast this year! It was another amazing theatre experience I was able to be a part of. I loved meeting all the new people and being Ado Annie. It was by far the best role I have ever played and funniest character I got to be! The rehearsals were tough at times, but it was so much fun and I will forever miss it!" -Laura Stump

Laura Stump



Kelsey Swartz



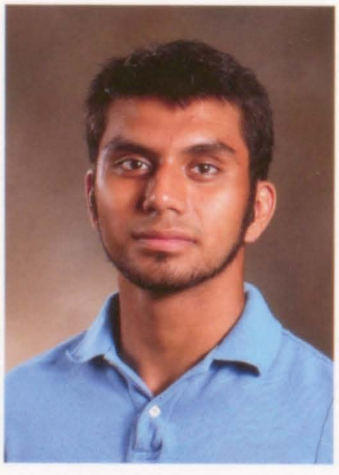
Molly Swartz



Kayla Sweatland



Oscar Tienda



SENIOR MEMORIES

Keep trying in all of your classes. Even if you do not think its "important for life." You do not want to rush and be stressed your senior year retaking classes you should have passed as a sophomore or junior. Just keep working at it, all the teachers are there to help you.
-Adam Stevens

Mason Toth



Grace Trafan



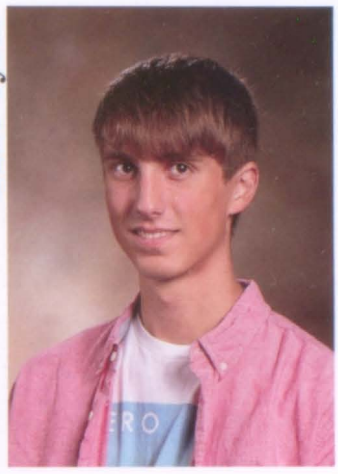
SENIOR ADVICE

Don't ever forget your lunch card or they make you go to the back of the line. :(-
-Cole Van Lue

Kelsey Turner



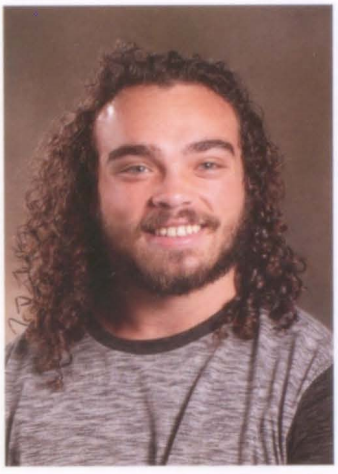
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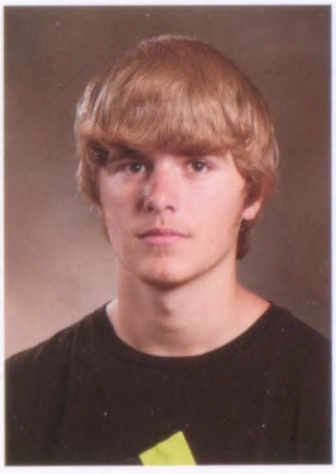
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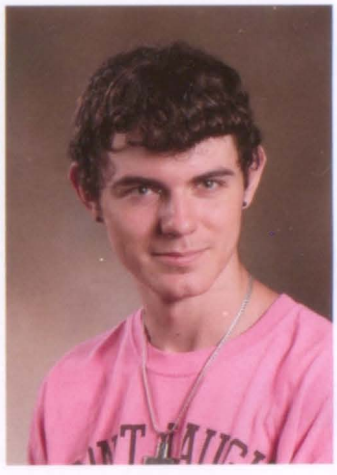
Noah Wadkins



Aaron Walker



Chance Waller



SENIOR QUOTES

Elizabeth Webber-
"Spend a little more time trying to make something of yourself and a little less time trying to impress people"

Kellie Weldy



Elizabeth Webber



Joshua Webber



Hunter Westerman



Aidan Whalen



SENIOR ADVICE

Do something different. Don't just do what everyone else is. Show others its ok to do what you want to do. It's high school, who cares.
-Josh Webber

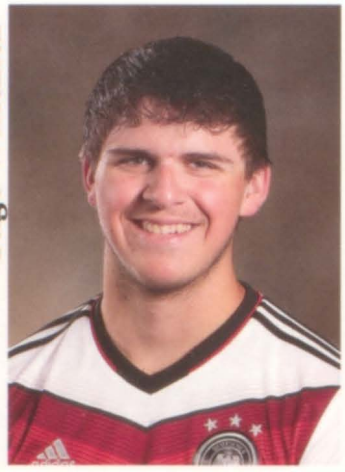
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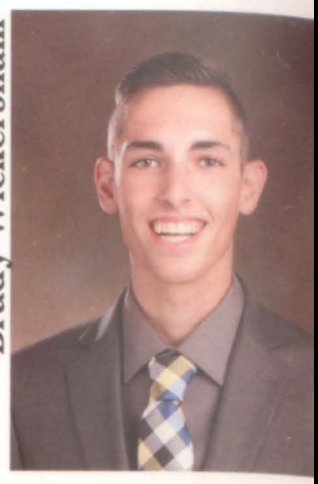
Gage Whitmar



SENIOR MEMORIES

"My favorite memories were those made in Germany from the exchange program/the German class in general."
-Gage Whitmar

Brady Wickersham



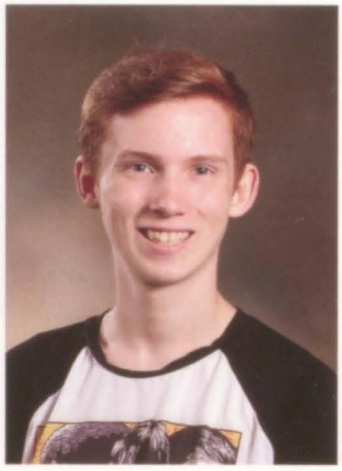
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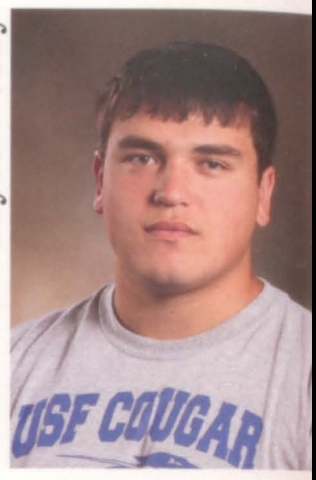
SENIOR ADVICE

1: There is no third floor
2: Never be afraid to ask for help
3: Be yourself and enjoy being you
-Ethan Wright

Christian Wolken



Bryce Woody



Ethan Wright



Bryce Wuthrich



Autumn Yoder



Alexis Young



Joshua Young



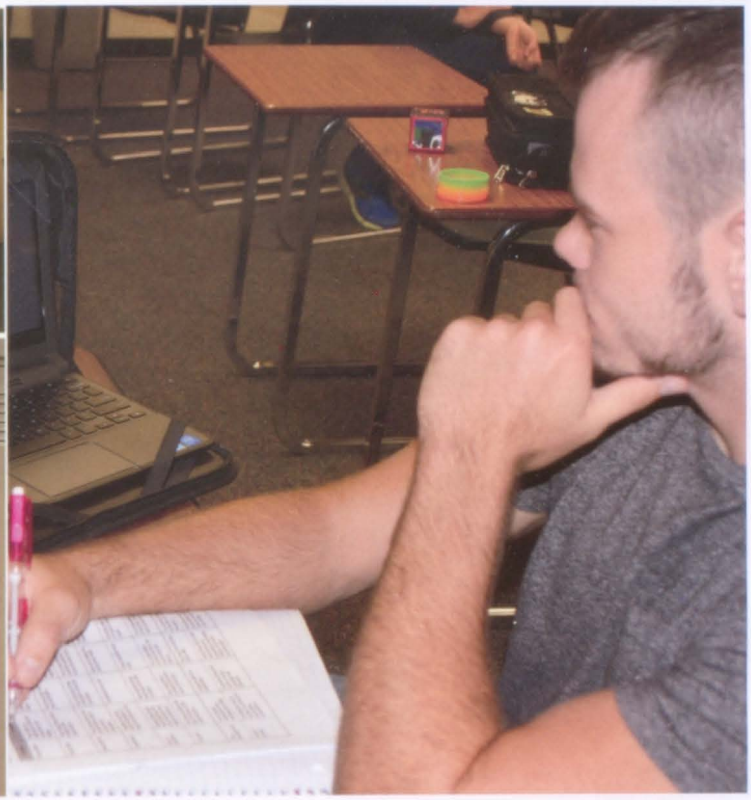
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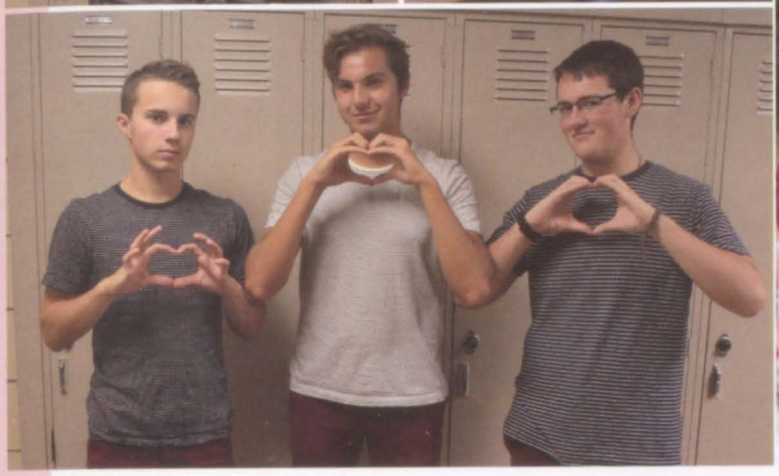


"As you start your journey, the first thing you should do is throw away that store-bought map and begin to draw your own."
-Michael Dell









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Rodrigo Bautista
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Hope Beer
Meghan Beer
Michael Beer



Dale Berger
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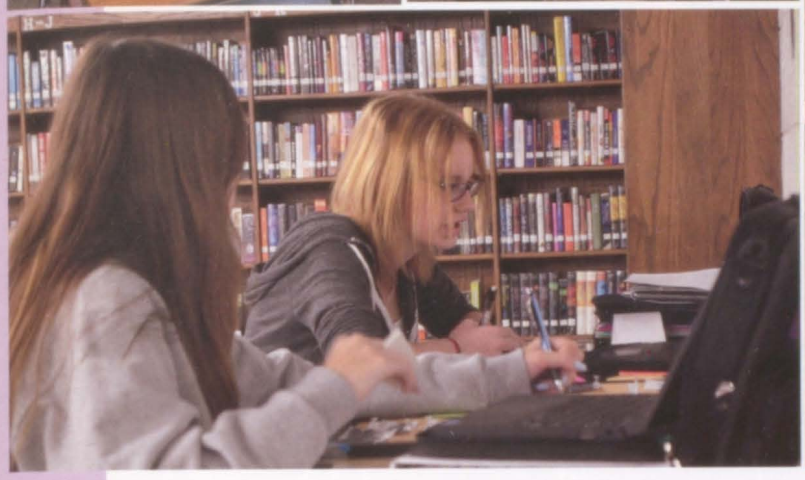
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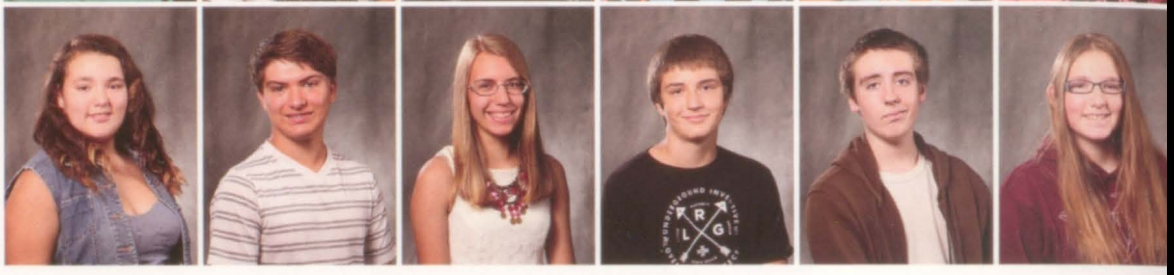
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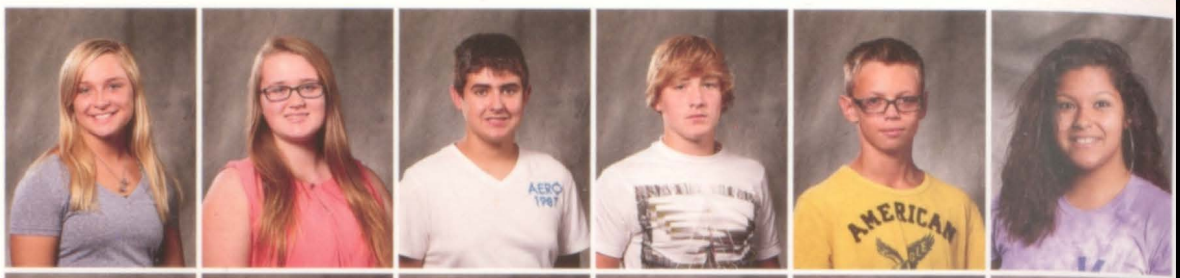
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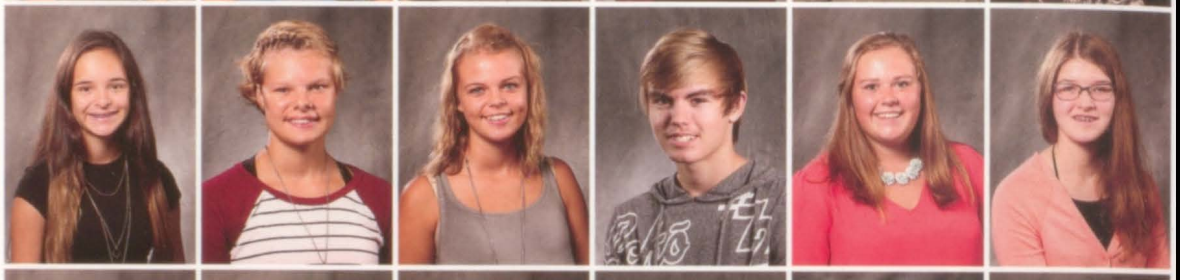
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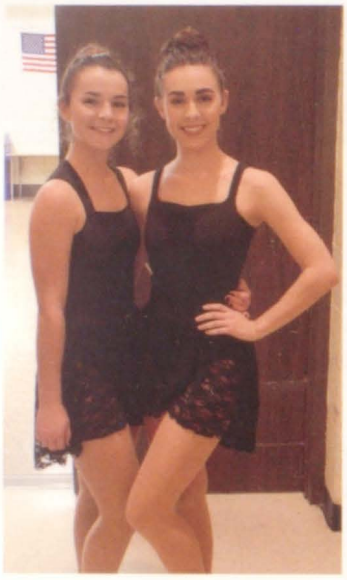


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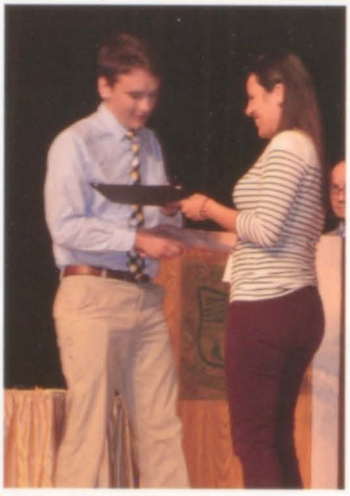
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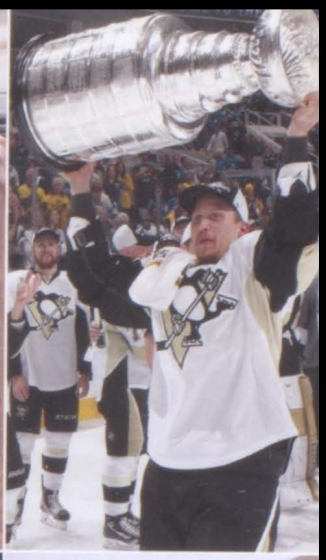
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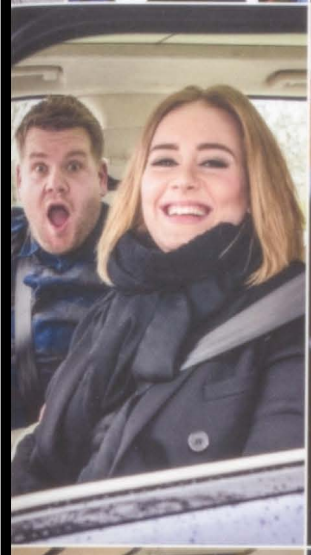
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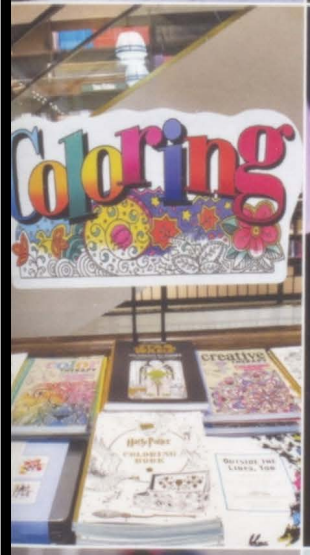




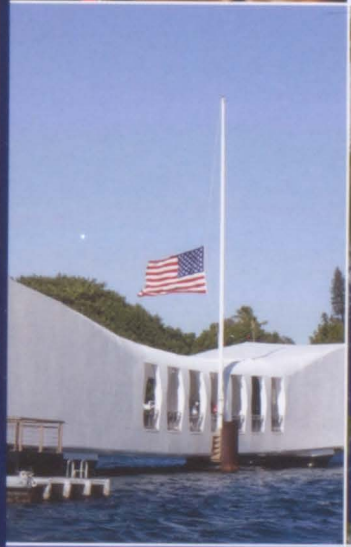
WORLD BEAT

The year's top stories in Music, TV, Movies, News, Sports, Pop Culture and more.

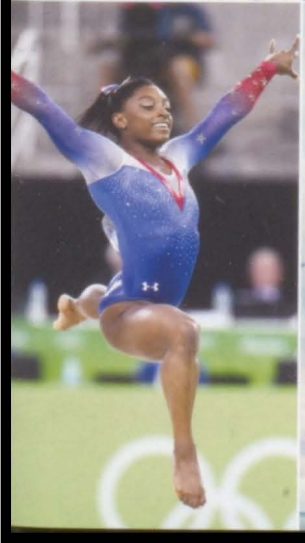
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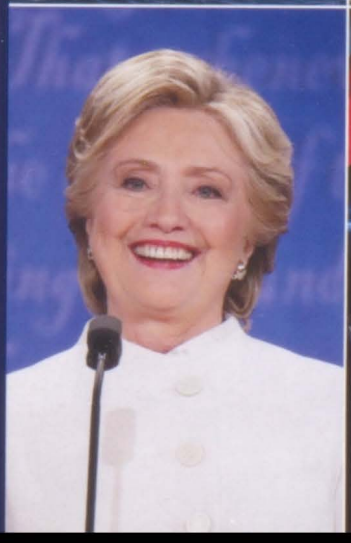














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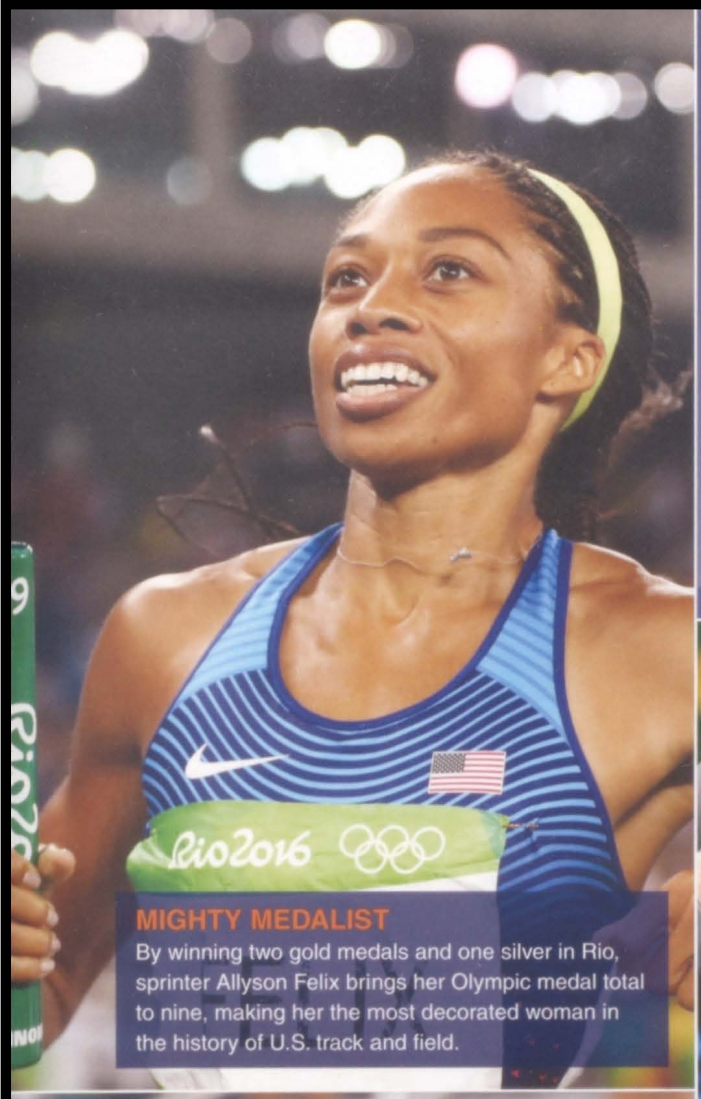


OUT OF THE POOL
Swimmer Michael Phelps, the most decorated Olympic athlete in history, confirms his plans to retire from competitive swimming after the Summer Games in Rio.





SIMONE & SIMONE
Team USA gymnast Simone Biles brings home four gold medals and a silver from Rio. Swimmer Simone Manuel sets a record in the women's 100-meter freestyle and is the first African-American woman to win gold in an individual swimming event.



MIGHTY MEDALIST

By winning two gold medals and one silver in Rio, sprinter Allyson Felix brings her Olympic medal total to nine, making her the most decorated woman in the history of U.S. track and field.

BEST IN BRAZIL

Team USA tops the world medal tally in the 2016 Rio Olympics and with a total of 121 medals, beating its previous record of 110.





TRUE CHAMPIONS

American runner, Abby D'Agostino and New Zealander, Nikki Hambin, fall during the women's 5,000-meter race. They help each other up and finish together, despite D'Agostino's injured ankle.



ON THE RUN

Jamaican sprinter, Usain Bolt, brings home three gold medals from Rio and hints at retirement.



A BIG SPLASH

U.S. swimmer, Katie Ledecky, claims four gold medals and one silver in Rio, where she breaks her own world record for the 800-meter freestyle.

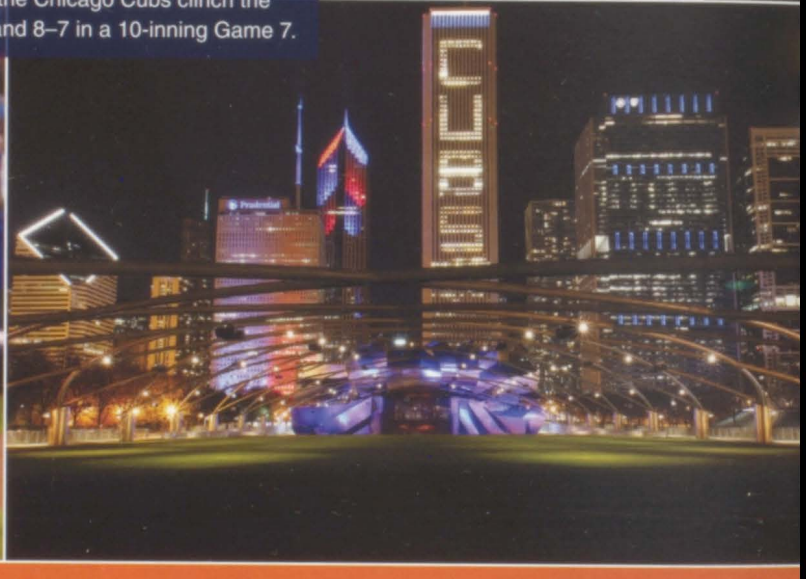
SPORTS





CUBS FANS REJOICE
For the first time since 1908, the Chicago Cubs clinch the World Series, beating Cleveland 8–7 in a 10-inning Game 7.





2016 Gold Glove Award Winners

POSITION	AL WINNER	TEAM	POSITION	NL WINNER	TEAM
P	Dallas Keuchel	HOU	P	Zack Greinke	ARI
C	Salvador Perez	KCR	C	Buster Posey	SFG
1B	Mitch Moreland	TEX	1B	Anthony Rizzo	CHC
2B	Ian Kinsler	DET	2B	Joe Panik	SFG
3B	Adrian Beltre	TEX	3B	Nolan Arenado	COL
SS	Francisco Lindor	CLE	SS	Brandon Crawford	SFG
LF	Brett Gardner	NYY	LF	Starling Marte	PIT
CF	Kevin Kiermaier	TBR	CF	Ender Inciarte	ATL
RF	Mookie Betts	BOS	RF	Jason Heyward	CHC

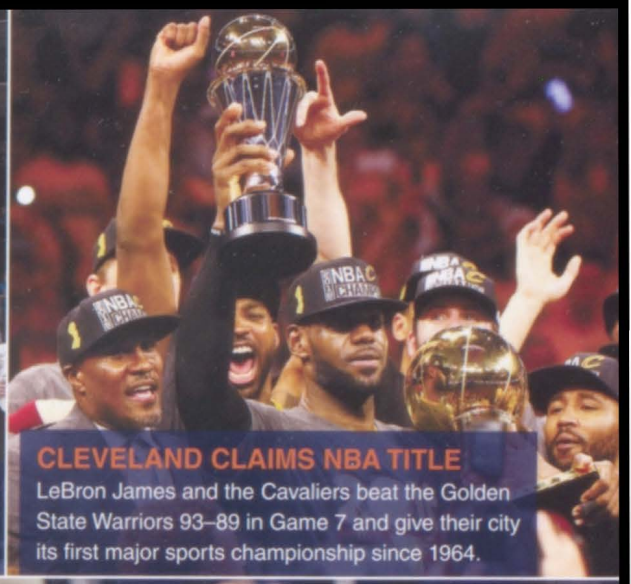
BASEBALL GREATS
Eighteen Major League Baseball players, including two from the World Series champion Cubs, receive Rawlings Gold Glove awards from The Society for American Baseball Research.





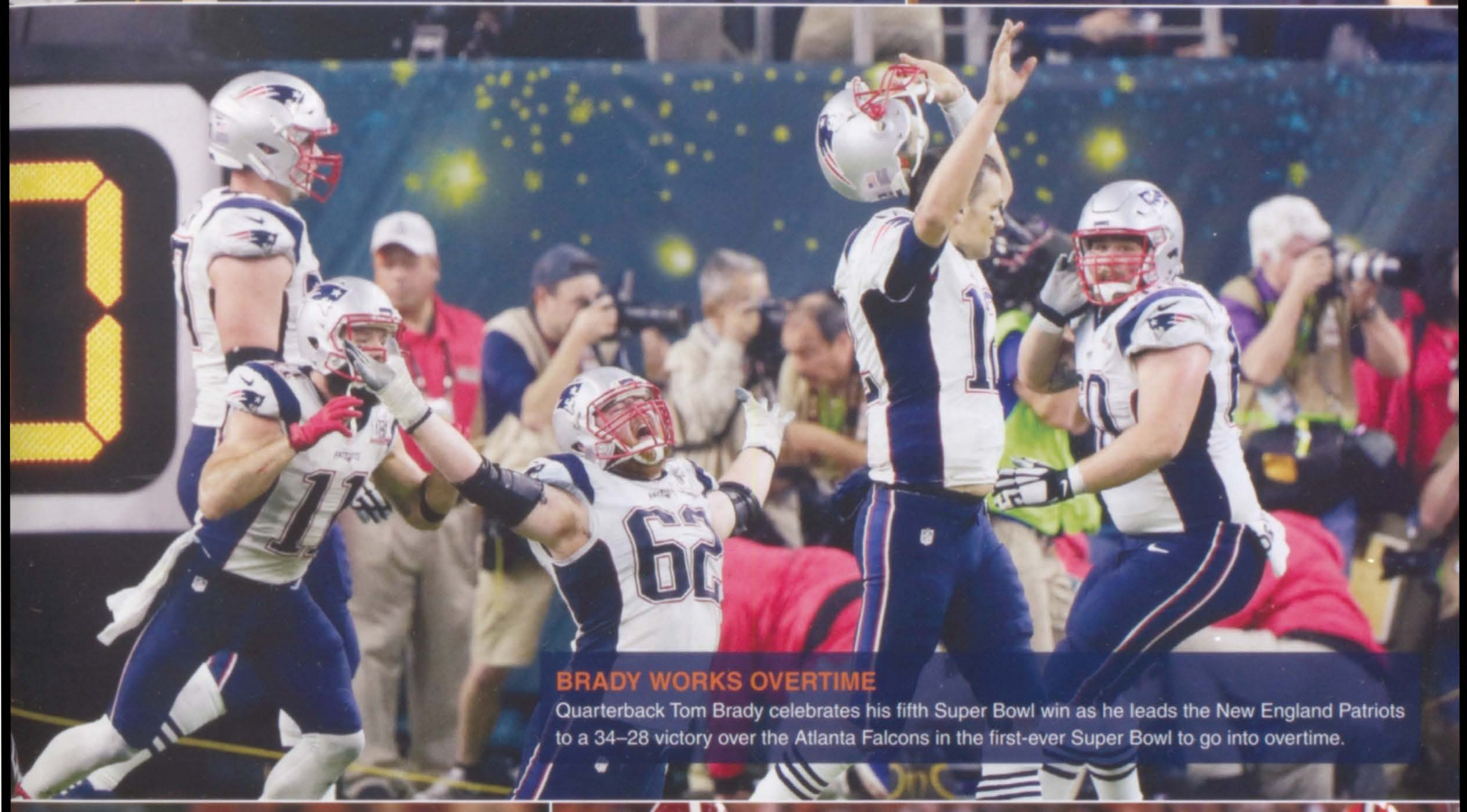
PENGUINS PEAK

The Pittsburgh Penguins skate to their fourth Stanley Cup championship in a 4–2 series, defeating the San Jose Sharks 3–1 in Game 6 at SAP Center.



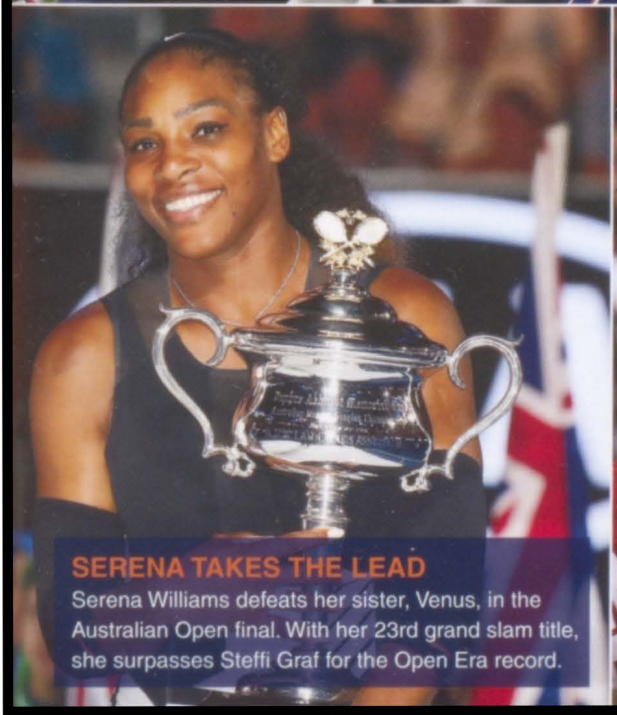
CLEVELAND CLAIMS NBA TITLE

LeBron James and the Cavaliers beat the Golden State Warriors 93–89 in Game 7 and give their city its first major sports championship since 1964.



BRADY WORKS OVERTIME

Quarterback Tom Brady celebrates his fifth Super Bowl win as he leads the New England Patriots to a 34–28 victory over the Atlanta Falcons in the first-ever Super Bowl to go into overtime.



SERENA TAKES THE LEAD

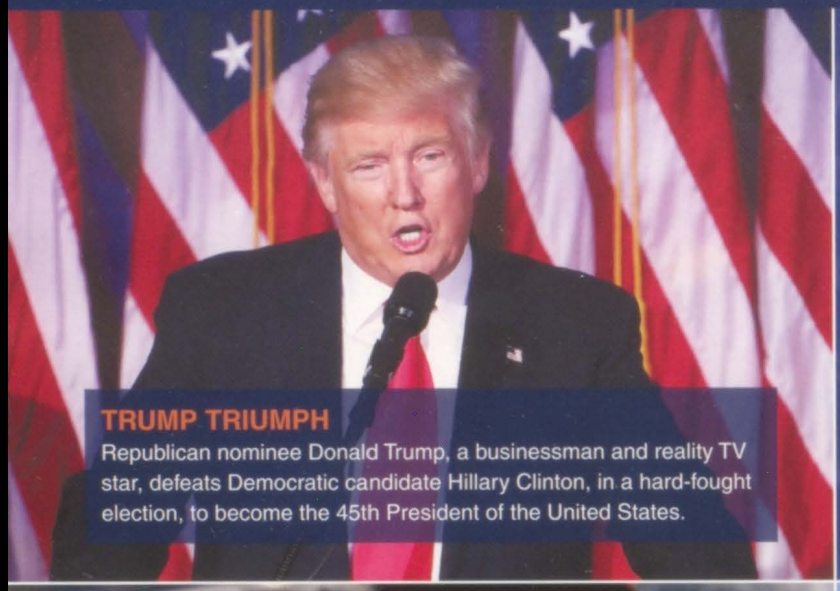
Serena Williams defeats her sister, Venus, in the Australian Open final. With her 23rd grand slam title, she surpasses Steffi Graf for the Open Era record.



CLEMSON NABS NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP

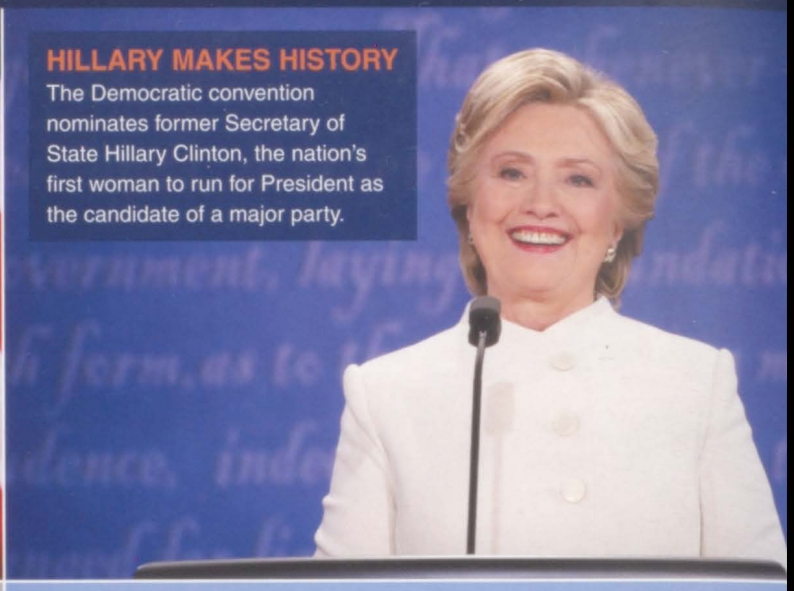
The Tigers push back Alabama's Crimson Tide 35–31, thanks to a last-second touchdown by Clemson wide receiver Hunter Renfrow.

NEWS/HEADLINES



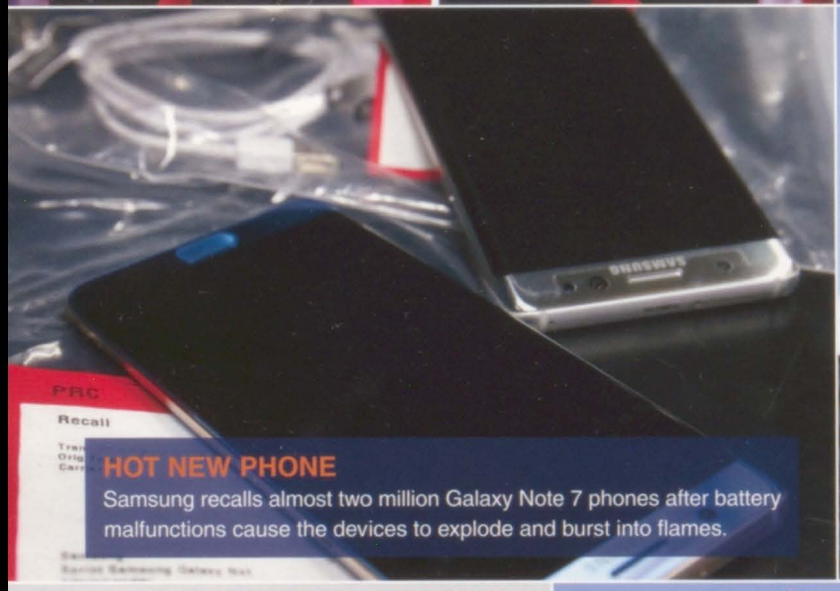
TRUMP TRIUMPH

Republican nominee Donald Trump, a businessman and reality TV star, defeats Democratic candidate Hillary Clinton, in a hard-fought election, to become the 45th President of the United States.



HILLARY MAKES HISTORY

The Democratic convention nominates former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, the nation's first woman to run for President as the candidate of a major party.



HOT NEW PHONE

Samsung recalls almost two million Galaxy Note 7 phones after battery malfunctions cause the devices to explode and burst into flames.



UK DECIDES TO BREXIT

Great Britain's voters choose to leave the European Union, reflecting growing concerns about immigration, national identity and the economy.

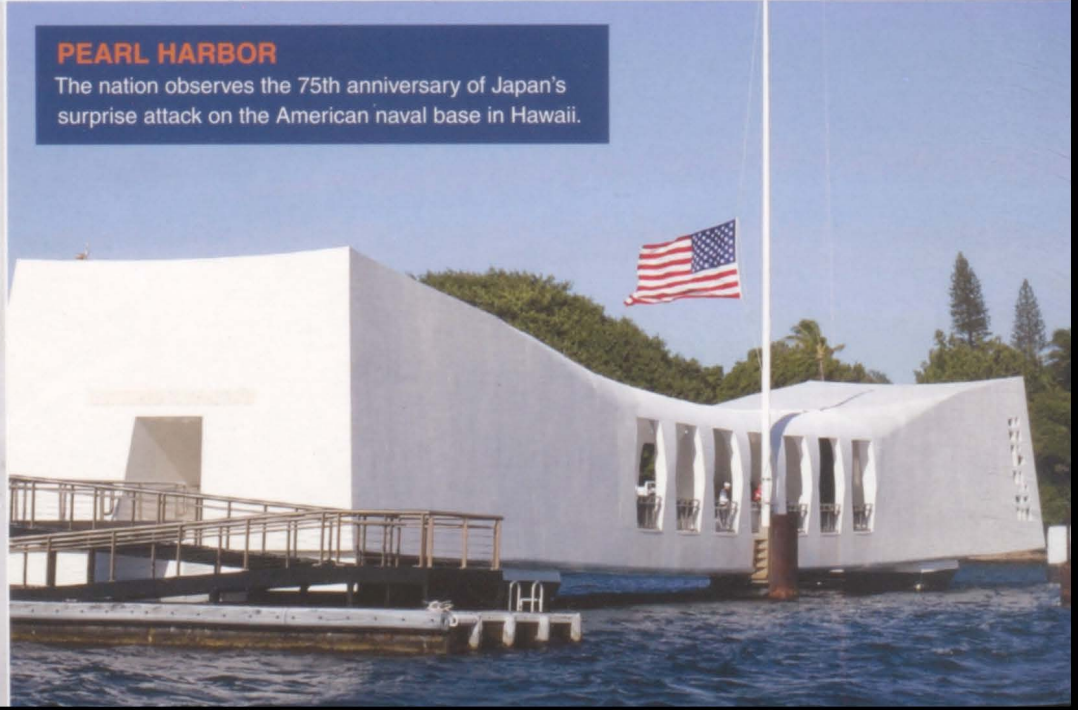
ZIKA MOSQUITOES SPREAD FEAR

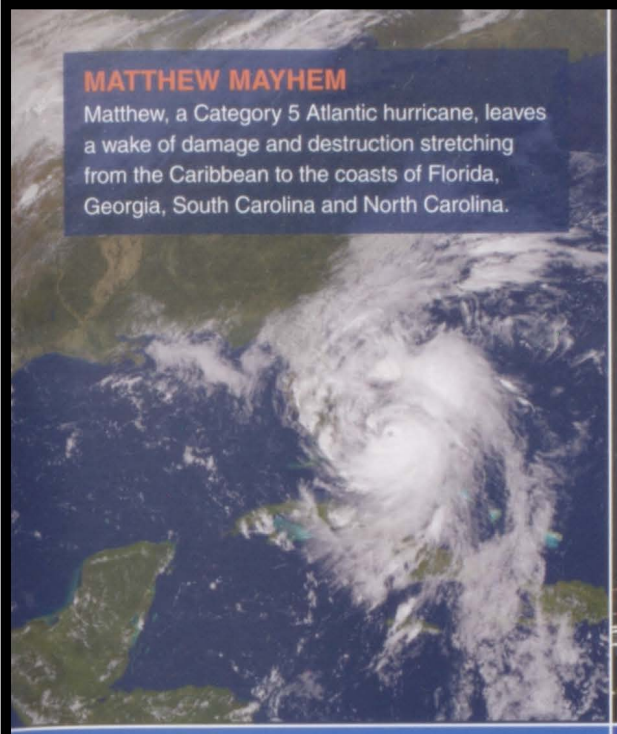
Cases of Zika, a mosquito-borne virus that causes serious birth defects, are reported in Florida and Texas.



PEARL HARBOR

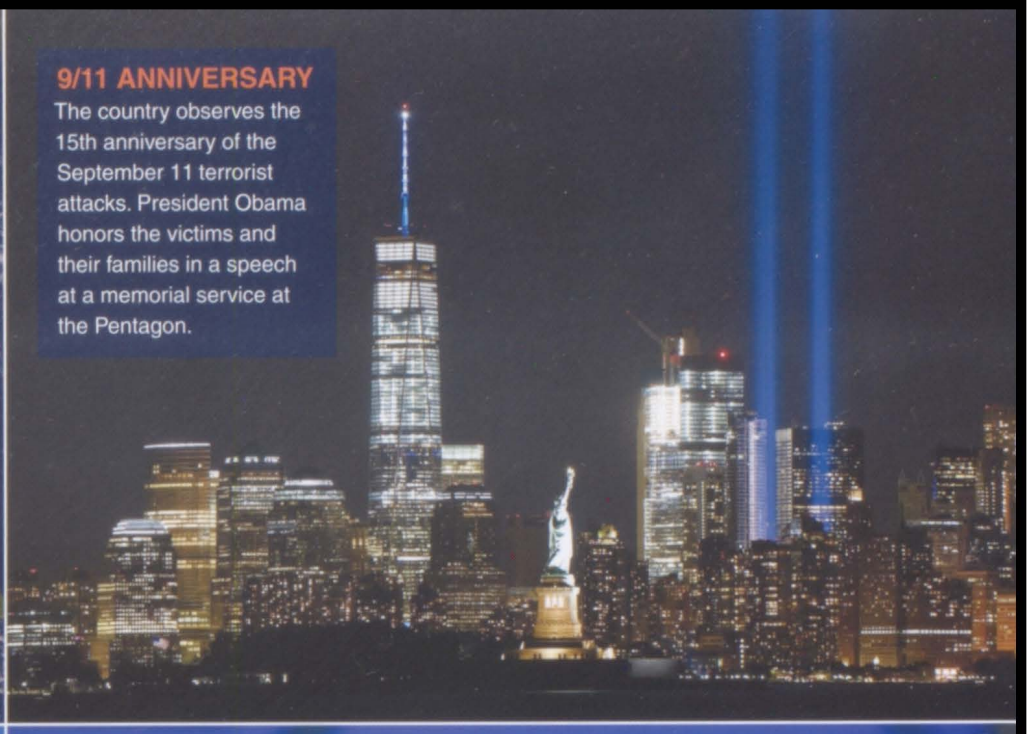
The nation observes the 75th anniversary of Japan's surprise attack on the American naval base in Hawaii.





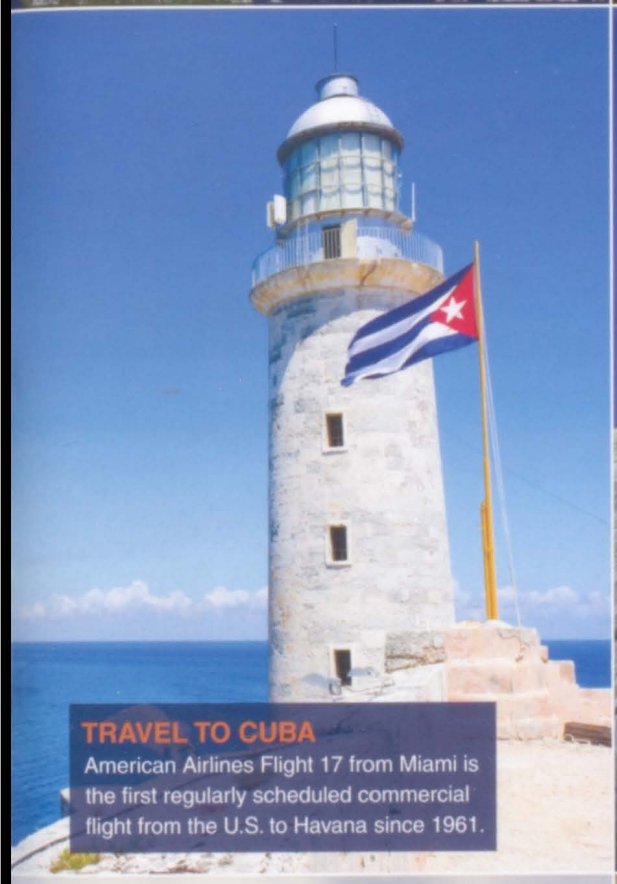
MATTHEW MAYHEM

Matthew, a Category 5 Atlantic hurricane, leaves a wake of damage and destruction stretching from the Caribbean to the coasts of Florida, Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina.



9/11 ANNIVERSARY

The country observes the 15th anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks. President Obama honors the victims and their families in a speech at a memorial service at the Pentagon.



TRAVEL TO CUBA

American Airlines Flight 17 from Miami is the first regularly scheduled commercial flight from the U.S. to Havana since 1961.



SPELL "COINCIDENCE"

For the third straight year, the Scripps National Spelling Bee declares two winners. Eleven-year-old Nihar Janga of Austin, Texas and 13-year-old Jairam Hathwar of Corning, New York are co-champions.



AIR AMAZON

An Amazon customer in London is the recipient of the e-commerce company's first home delivery by drone.

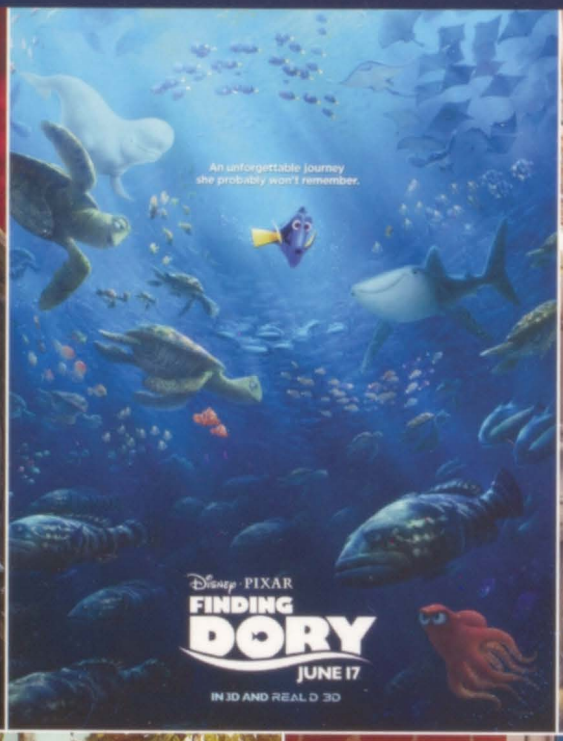


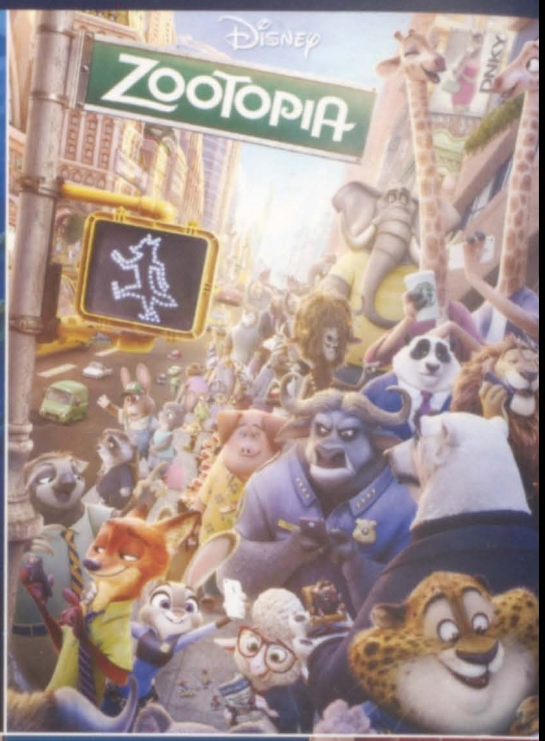
TESLA CARS RECEIVE AUTOPILOT UPDATE

With an over-the-air update, Tesla adds self-driving functionality to thousands of their customers' vehicles; however drivers can't go completely hands-free.

MOVIES











IMAGINATION RULES

Animation and superheroes dominated the top movies of 2016. Together, these movies grossed over $3 billion worldwide.


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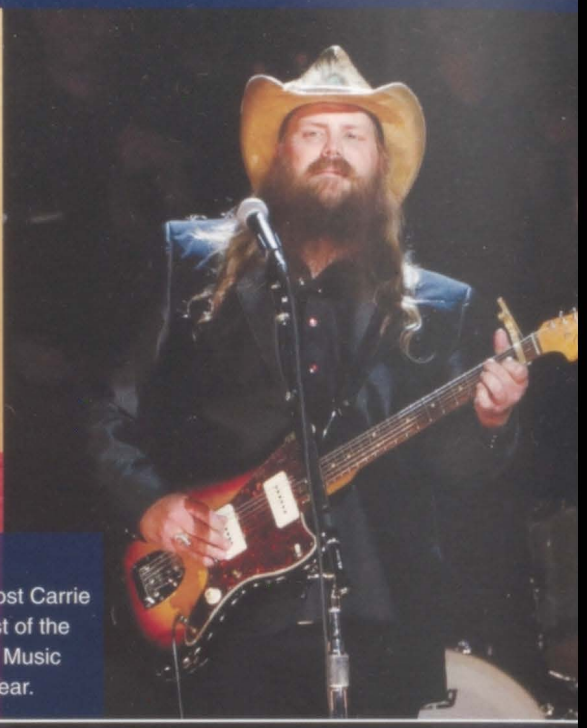

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MUSIC



50TH ANNUAL CMA
At the Country Music Awards, host Carrie Underwood wins Female Vocalist of the Year; Chris Stapleton nabs Best Music Video and Male Vocalist of the Year.





QUEEN BEY REIGNS SUPREME
With her record-breaking nine nominations, Beyoncé leads the Grammy pack, followed by Drake, Kanye and Rihanna, with eight a piece.

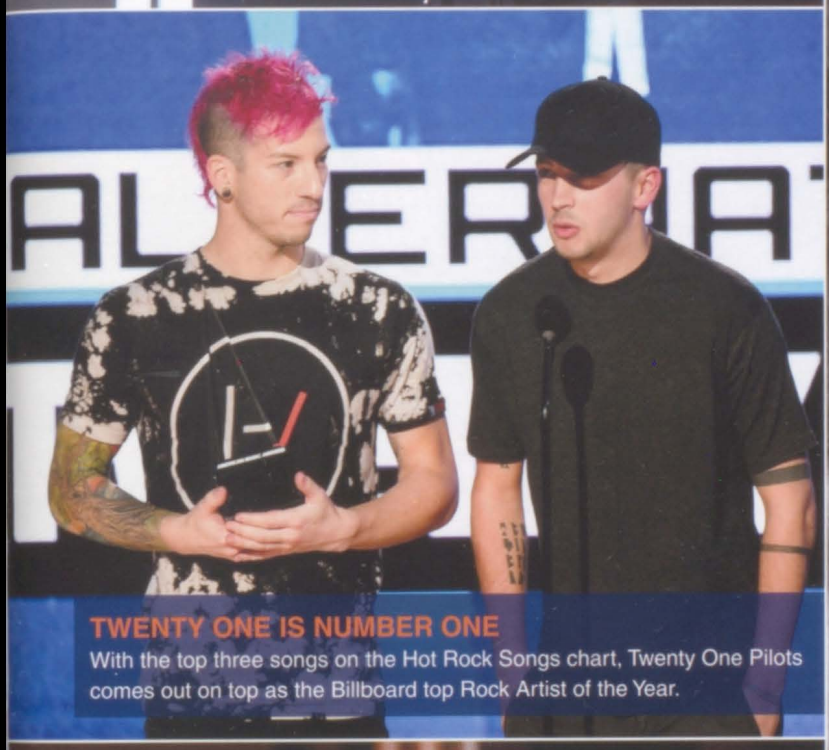


ARIANA ACES THE AMAS
Ariana Grande sends love to her fans in a heartfelt acceptance speech for her American Music Awards Artist of the Year award.



4.7 BILLION STREAMERS AND COUNTING

With the most streamed single, "One Dance," and the most streamed album, "Views," Drake is the most streamed artist of the year according to Apple Music and Spotify.



TWENTY ONE IS NUMBER ONE

With the top three songs on the Hot Rock Songs chart, Twenty One Pilots comes out on top as the Billboard top Rock Artist of the Year.



TAYLOR TAKES THE LEAD

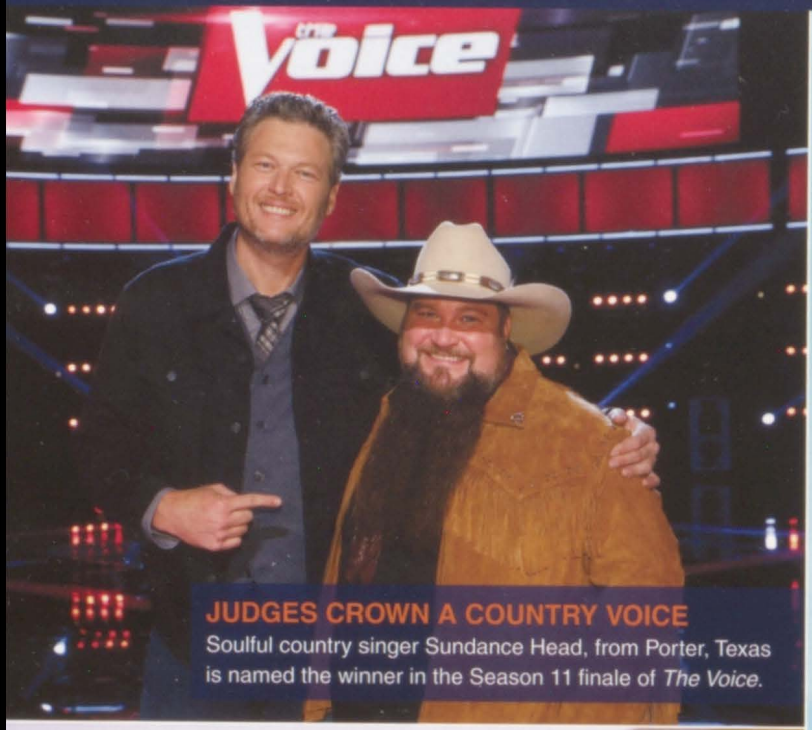
Forbes crunches the numbers and finds that Taylor Swift is the world's highest-paid musician, ahead of One Direction in second place and Adele in third.



SONGWRITER NABS NOBEL

The Swedish Academy bestows the Nobel Prize in literature on singer-songwriter Bob Dylan. It's the first time the award has gone to a musician.

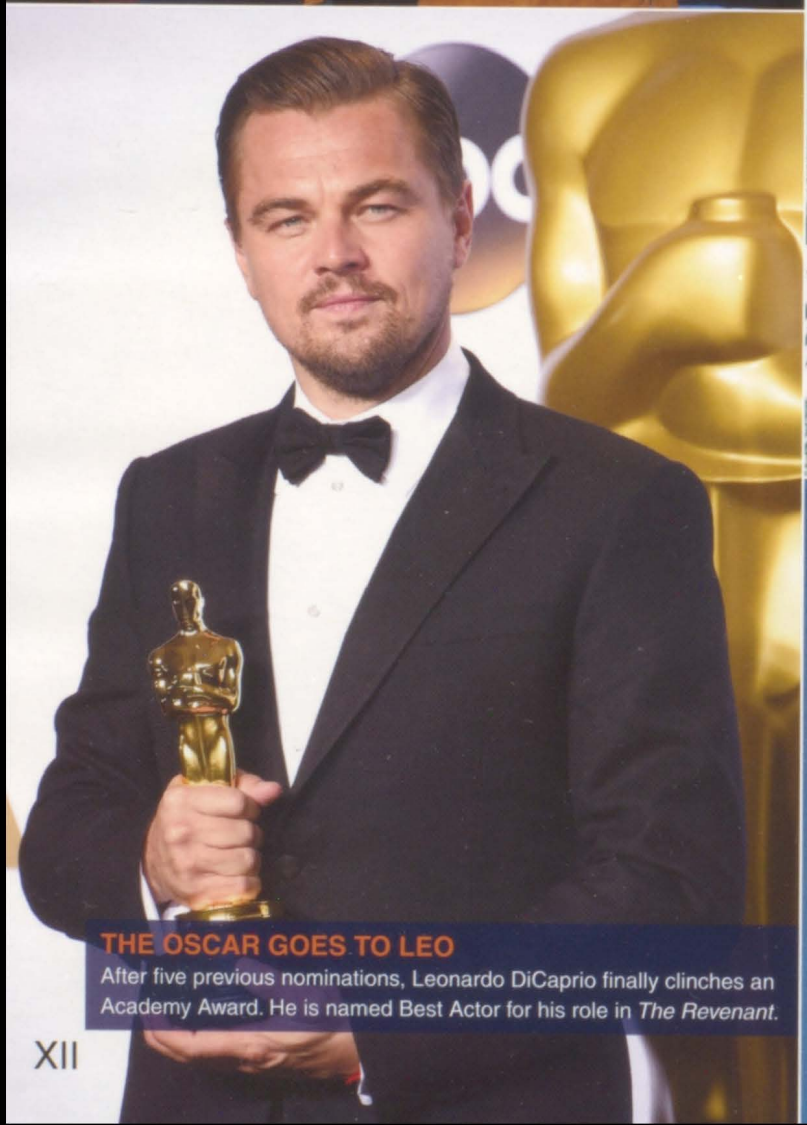
CELEBRITY NEWS



JUDGES CROWN A COUNTRY VOICE
Soulful country singer Sundance Head, from Porter, Texas is named the winner in the Season 11 finale of *The Voice*.

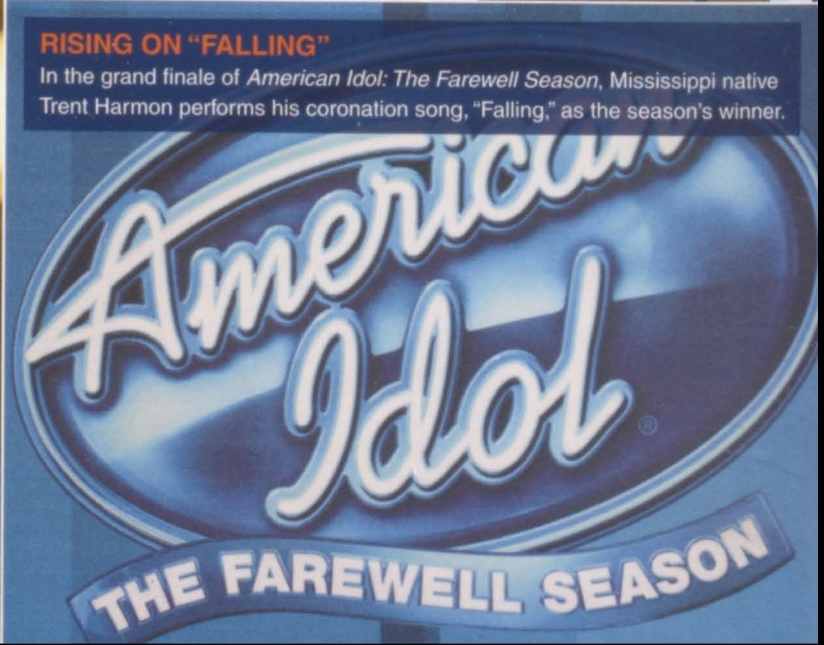


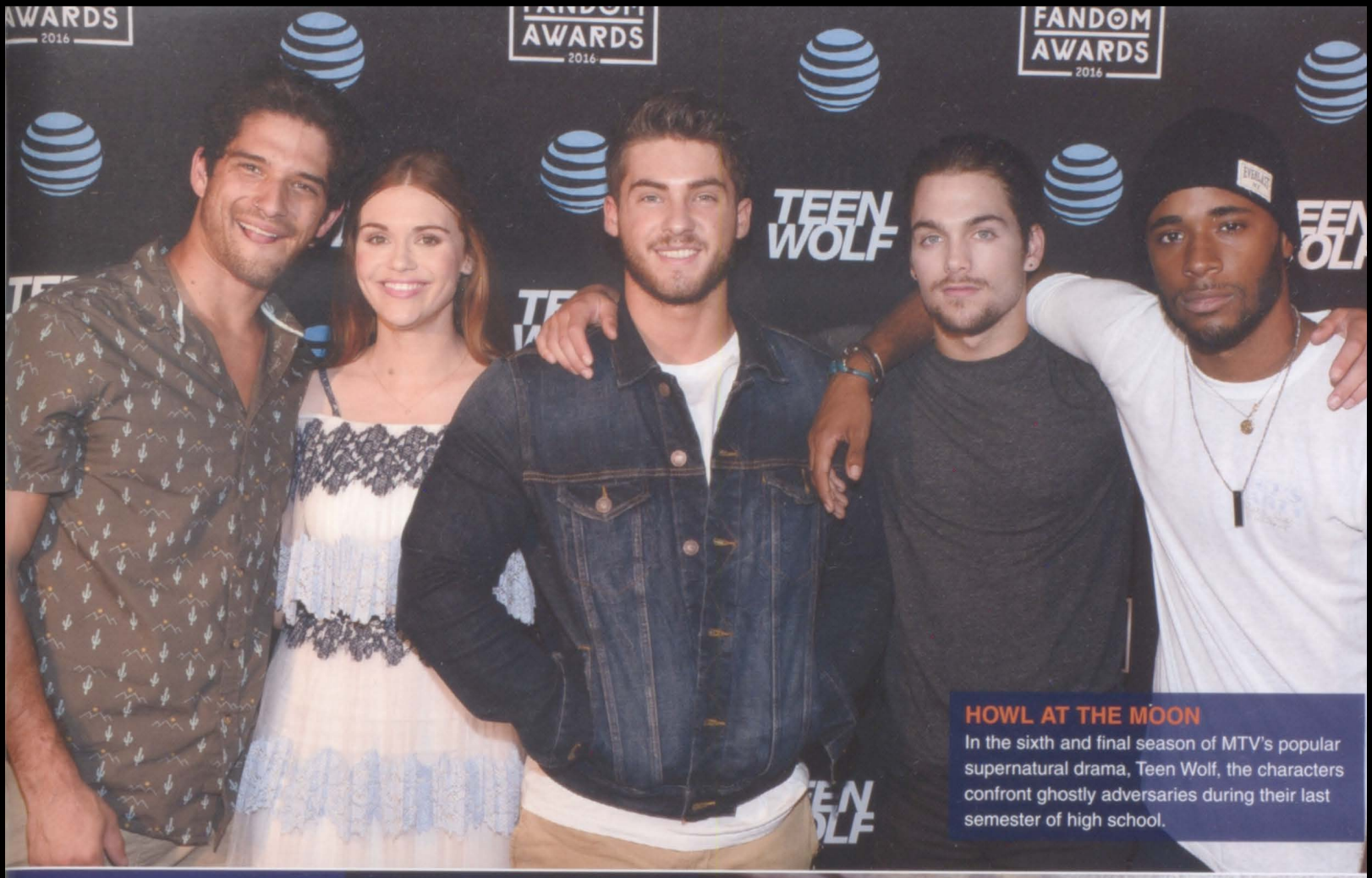
TEN YEARS OF TIMBERLAKE
TEEN CHOICE celebrates Justin Timberlake with its first-ever Decade Award to mark his 10-year-career as a TEEN CHOICE icon.



THE OSCAR GOES TO LEO
After five previous nominations, Leonardo DiCaprio finally clinches an Academy Award. He is named Best Actor for his role in *The Revenant*.

RISING ON "FALLING"
In the grand finale of *American Idol: The Farewell Season*, Mississippi native Trent Harmon performs his coronation song, "Falling," as the season's winner.





HOWL AT THE MOON

In the sixth and final season of MTV's popular supernatural drama, Teen Wolf, the characters confront ghostly adversaries during their last semester of high school.



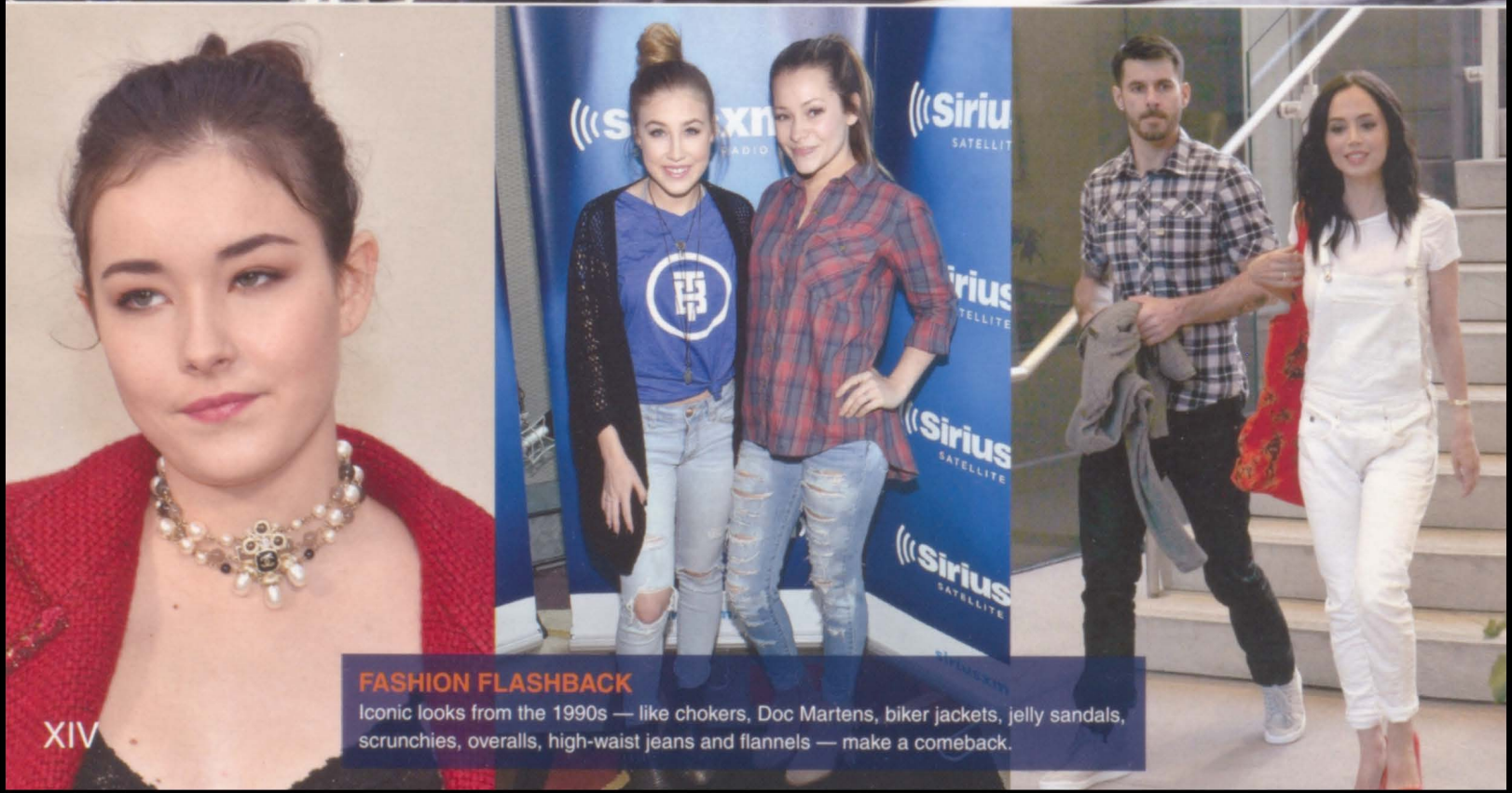
IN MEMORIAM

Pop culture fans bid farewell to several iconic performers including music legends Prince and David Bowie, actor Alan Rickman and actor/screenwriter Carrie Fisher.

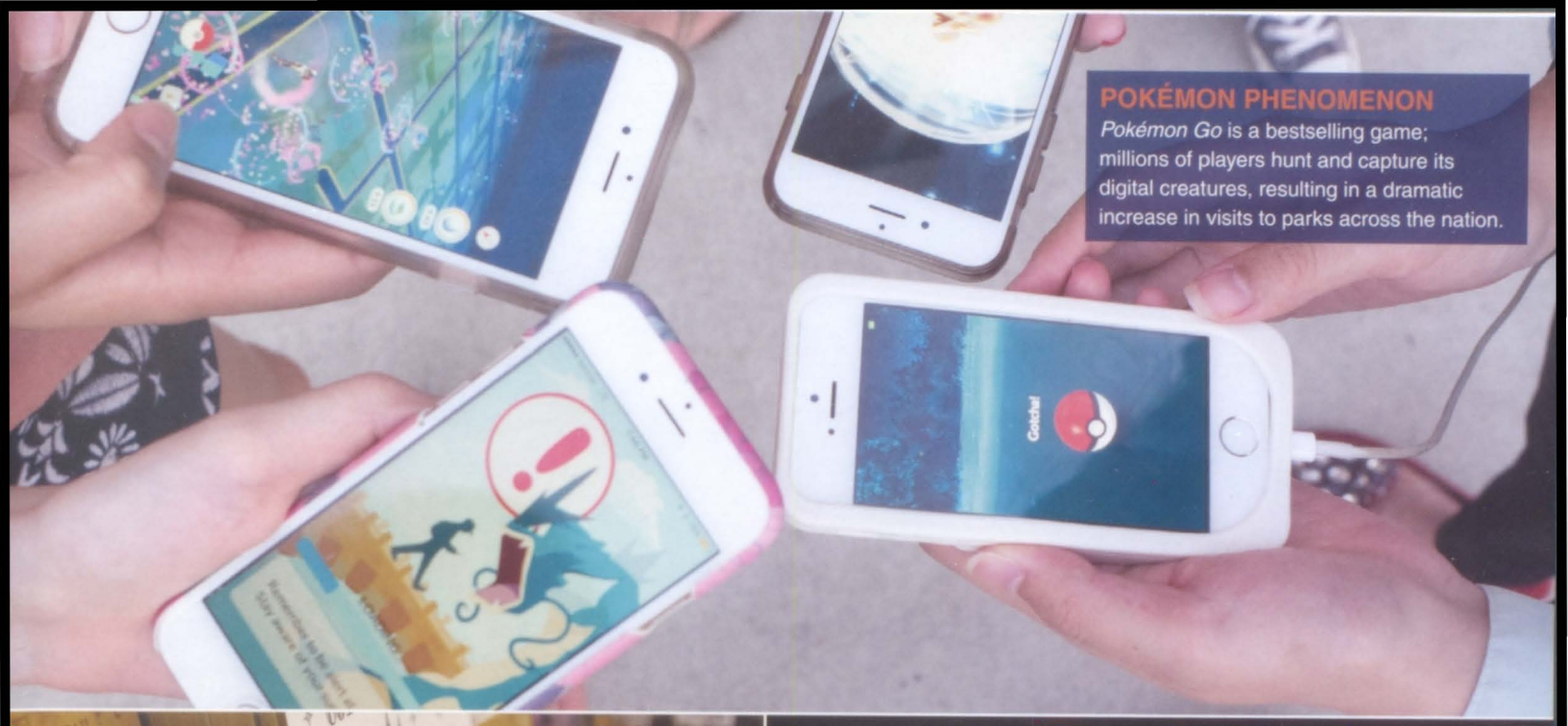
POP CULTURE



"HELLO" FROM THE CARPOOL
The year's most-viewed YouTube video captures Adele's appearance in "Carpool Karaoke" a popular recurring feature on James Corden's *Late Late Show* on CBS.



FASHION FLASHBACK
Iconic looks from the 1990s — like chokers, Doc Martens, biker jackets, jelly sandals, scrunchies, overalls, high-waist jeans and flannels — make a comeback.



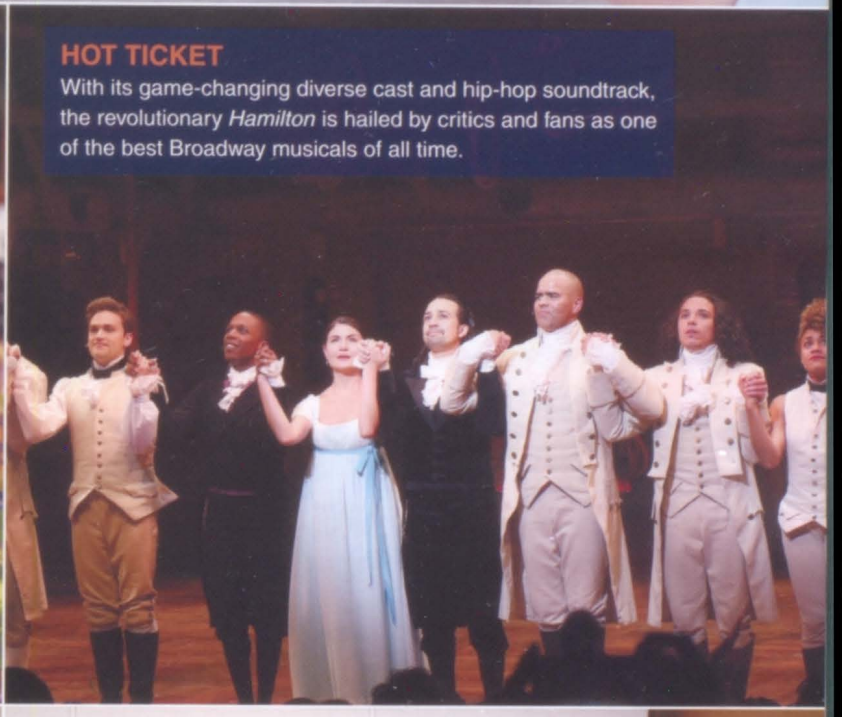
POKÉMON PHENOMENON

Pokémon Go is a bestselling game; millions of players hunt and capture its digital creatures, resulting in a dramatic increase in visits to parks across the nation.



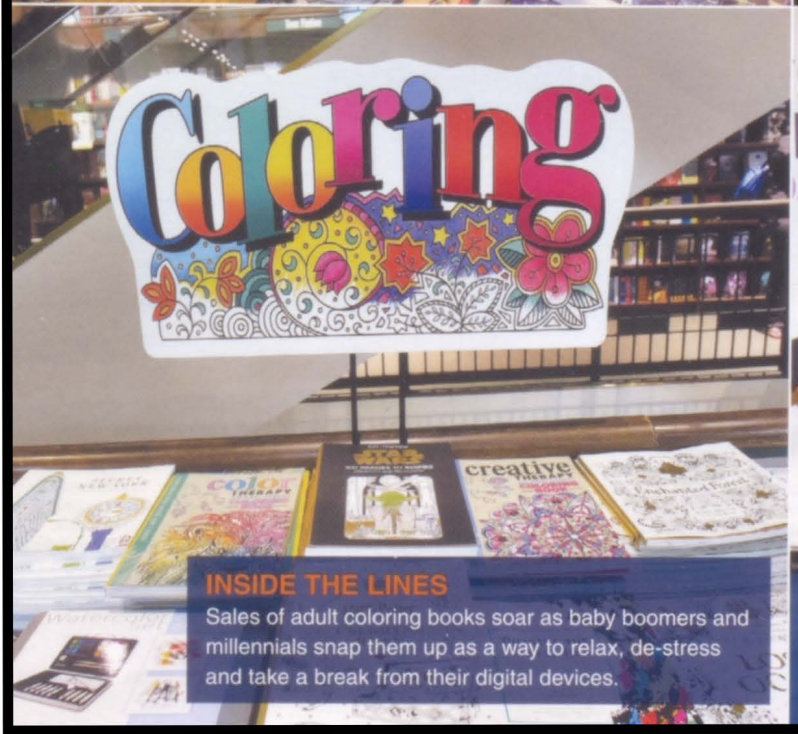
POTTER RULES

A special rehearsal script for *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child*, the eighth story in J.K. Rowling's popular series, tops the Amazon bestseller list.



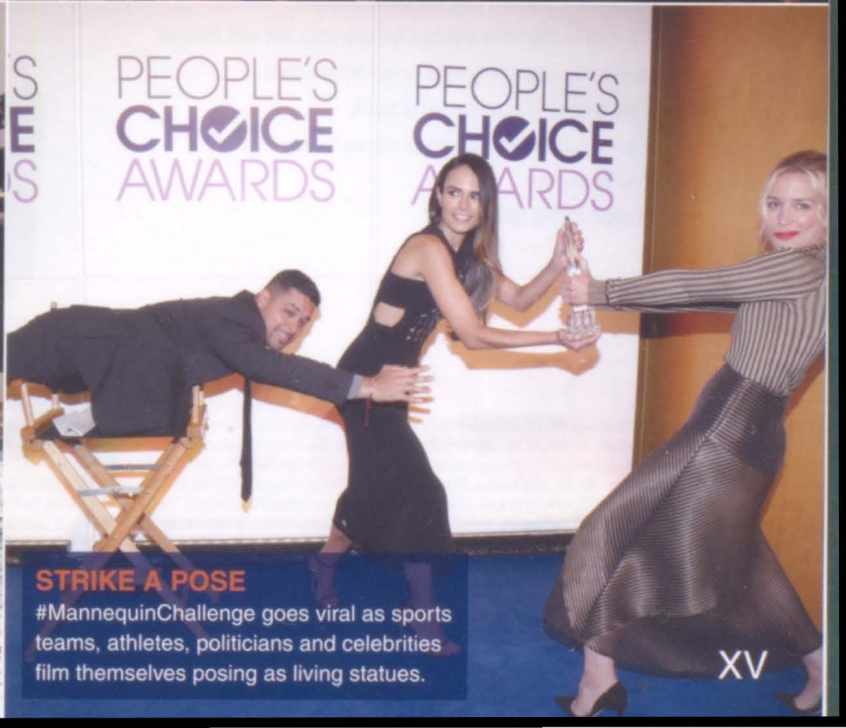
HOT TICKET

With its game-changing diverse cast and hip-hop soundtrack, the revolutionary *Hamilton* is hailed by critics and fans as one of the best Broadway musicals of all time.



INSIDE THE LINES

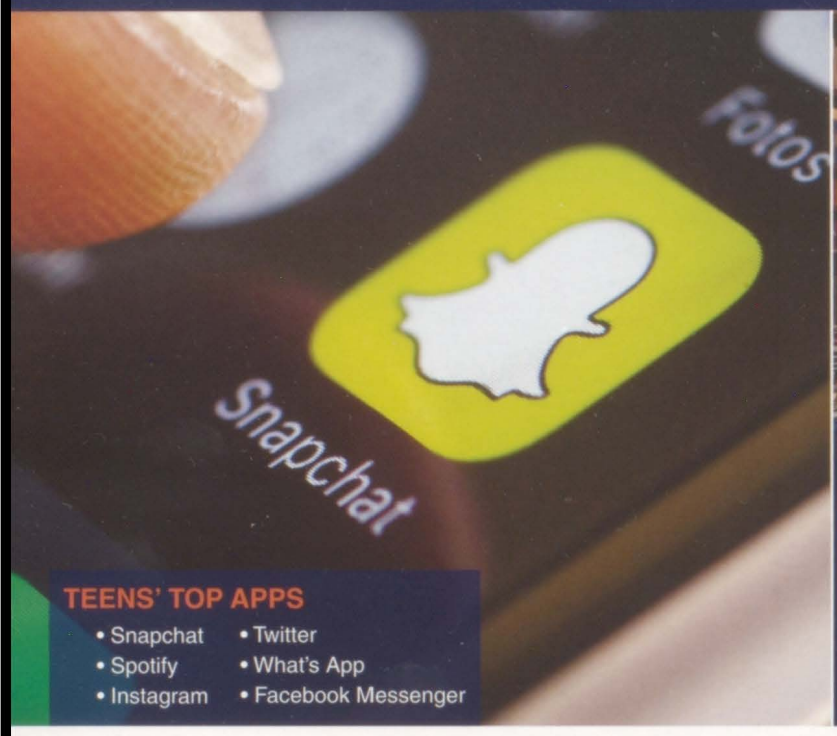
Sales of adult coloring books soar as baby boomers and millennials snap them up as a way to relax, de-stress and take a break from their digital devices.



STRIKE A POSE

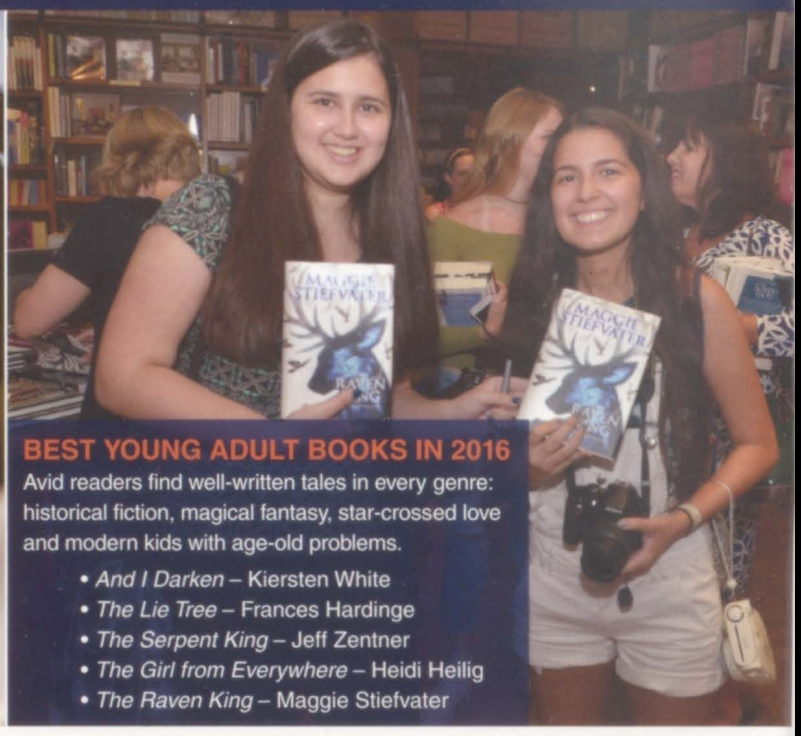
#MannequinChallenge goes viral as sports teams, athletes, politicians and celebrities film themselves posing as living statues.

FUN FACTS



TEENS' TOP APPS

- Snapchat
- Spotify
- Instagram
- Twitter
- What's App
- Facebook Messenger



BEST YOUNG ADULT BOOKS IN 2016

Avid readers find well-written tales in every genre: historical fiction, magical fantasy, star-crossed love and modern kids with age-old problems.

- *And I Darken* – Kiersten White
- *The Lie Tree* – Frances Hardinge
- *The Serpent King* – Jeff Zentner
- *The Girl from Everywhere* – Heidi Heilig
- *The Raven King* – Maggie Stiefvater

Things your parents did but you may never do:

- Miss your favorite TV show or sit through all of the commercials
- Roll down the car window manually
- Use a printed paper map on a road trip
- Rent a movie that the person before you did not rewind
- Use a printed encyclopedia to do homework
- Look for a phone number in a book
- Develop a roll of film to see pictures taken
- Hear a typewriter
- Use 1-800-COLLECT



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