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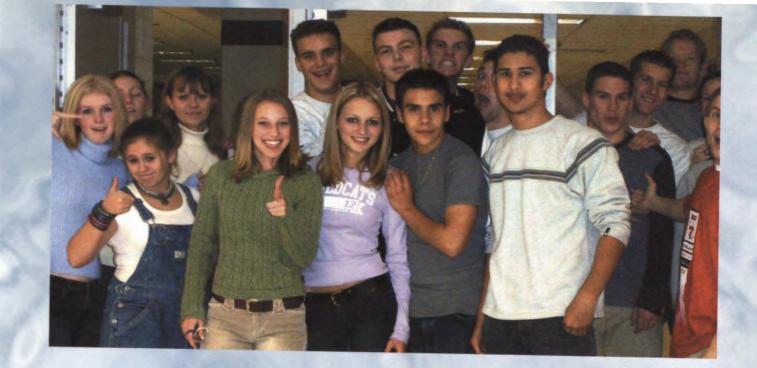
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Opening



Scott Sieder ('03), Matt Kallas ('03) and Chris Sanzeri ('03) stand proud.



Brad Bytof ('04), dressed as Michelangelo, shows his school spirit.







-Brisa Mendez and

Maricarmen Osorio



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Untamed wildcats spend most of their time catching their prey and snoozing under the cool shadow of a tree. West Chicago Wildcats, on the other hand, spend their time studying for tests, practicing for Friday night games; fund-raising for their clubs and of course having FUN!

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Students at Community High School arrived at about 6:00 in the morning in 2003. A few started their zero hour classes, but most arrived at the crack of dawn to find parking spots. Groups of friends could be seen sitting around their lockers and eating breakfast, enjoying the school day before it even started. One sure thing, the students showed that a wildcat's life is full of surprises.



Lisa Martin ('04) and Molly Knaak ('04) help out each other while window painting.



Merium Koch ('05) concen-

trates as she plays her vio-

of their time Ider the cool Ideats, on the Knaak ('04) help







Carlos Santillan ('05) shows his lovable side and hugs the Lauren Johnston ('04), Carl Brown ('04), and Kristin Voss ('04) put on smiles, while cheering for the team.



Juan Abundez ('04), Said Mendoza ('03), and Beto Salinas ('04) share a brief moment before heading to their 10th hour class.



Jazmine Martinez ('06), Victoria Sagen ('06), Marissa Mendoza ('04), Christine Moody ('04) and Angelina Panozzo ('06) know how to party.

What is the best part of the school day?

"French class because I enjoy learning French." -Heyde Antonie < 05> "Passing periods because I get to hang with friends." -Nevia Hernandez <'04> "Lunch because | am not in class." -Matt Kimbor <`04>

"Having a lot of time in the morning." -Heather Barron < 03>



Incredible People

The student body of Community High School consists of many different people from many different walks of life. Each and every person comes from a unique background shaped by his/her ethnicity, culture, and beliefs. With their talents and spirit, these individuals help to shape and share the spirit of We-Go. The staff members of *Challenge* annually select students to profile that represent the best of West Chicago. Although many of these students excel in terms of academics and athletics, traditional criteria are not the only factors for which these students are selected for this honor. These students also contribute to Community High School through their personalities and their dedication to the school, their peers and their community. These students profiled in the following stories come from all grade levels, have impacted student life in a positive way, and have shown outstanding qualities in and out of the school's walls. Most importantly, these are the students who truly represent Community High School and make us proud.

Those students profiled include: Freshmen: Harry Podschwit and Mary Hesterman; Sophomores: Gil Valenzuela and Dana Hernan; Juniors: Nils Higdon, Jackie Vavrek, and Fabian Cruz; and Seniors: Jeremy Rose, Beca Duran, Ernesto Romo, Luzmaria and Lourdes Tlatehui.

-Krissy Joy and Adriana Vargas



Mary Hesterman is no ordinary freshman here at Community High School. Mary had her first year jitters, but quickly found out everything was going to be okay. "I thought I would get lost and everything, but I actually didn't!" Mary said. She jumped right into high school and made a name for herself.

Mary always brightens up a room with her positive attitude and big smile. Others are drawn to her cheerful personality. She enjoys making new friends and meeting new people. "Every time I turn around she is smiling! I mean she's got tons of friends!" said Mary Turnquist ('05). As well as being a great friend, Mary is a great student. She also plays on the Varsity Tennis Team. Despite her busy schedule, she manages

to squeeze in time for her traveling soccer team, which she has been a part of for five years.



A rebel to the end, Harry Podschwit dares to defy what is considered normal. With his outlandish haircuts, outfits and ideas, he is definitely destined for his own path in life. "I have no group. I hang out with them all," Podschwit admits. Even though he is a freshman, Harry already feels like he has made many friends with many different interests. Harry's own interests range from academics to the creative. With friends

at every turn, Harry is widely known among the school. Harry is involved in Junior State of America and Global Citizenship. After graduating high school Harry hopes to attend Stanford University or Allston College.

"Our opinion of people depends less upon



Dana Hernan is as active as a person can be when it comes to sports. The action, the pressure, the anxiety and the momentum of sports attract this 15-year-old sophomore to being invovled in the athletic program at Community High School. Volleyball, basketball, and softball occupy Dana's time. She has earned a spot on the varsity volleyball team this year and hopes she will eventually earn the spot for basketball

and softball. Dana loves all three sports and plans on continuing with them for her next two years. She loves being involved because of the pride she feels when she represents the school. "Dana presents herself as a very passionate, serious person with everything she does, but she also loves to laugh and just kick back and be herself," says fellow classmate Peggy Saul ('05). In her determination to excel, she stretches beyond what is expected.



He can dance, sing, and play instruments. What can't this 5' 2" sophomore do? Gil Valenzuela has traveled all over the world, even though he is still young. He was born in the Philippines, lived in the Middle East, and moved to Kentucky before arriving in West Chicago. He is a two-year member of the Marching, Concert, Pep, and Jazz Bands. Gil's instrument of choice is the trumpet, which he has played since

6th grade. He has been a featured soloist in Jazz Band and was named Best New Marchen his freshman year. Yet, his musical abilities don't end there, he is also a very talented singer. "He's really nice, and the boy can sing!" says Nicole Chudoba ('05). In addition to his musical talent, Gil also break dances with style and passion. With all he has accomplished in his first years of high school, Gil has definitely set himself apart from the crowd.



A music-loving individual who always has a beat in his head is one of the many things sixteen-year-old Junior Nils Higdon does to pass his time. Nils' happy-to-be-alive attitude is contagious. His sense of humor and ability to bring joy into others' lives is unquestionably a talent and something which sets him apart from others. Mike Smeraglia ('05) describes Nils as "the most funkenest, hip-hoppinest [sic] cat in town."

Nils is highly involved in the school's music program and his dedication shows even once the bell has rung at the end of the day. He is a part of Student Action, a club that allows Higdon to discuss world issues and figure out solutions for world problems. Nils is an easygoing, optimistic individual with a great sense of humor, whose ability to be true to himself is nothing short of amazing.

Along The Way

what we see in them than upon what they make us see in ourselves." -Sarah Grant



After winning state freshman year and placing second sophomore year in the 50-yard freestyle, swimmer and Junior Jackie Vavrek shows a great of dedication both in and out of the water. Since age 5, she has been swimming competitively with the West Chicago Sharks Swim Club. She knows what it takes to be a top athlete. "Can't is not a word in my vocabulary," said Jackie. Her top Swim Club accomplish-

ments include winning Illinois Senior Championship and Speedo's Sectional Championship in the 50-yard freestyle. Friends, teammates, and coaches describe her as the girl who never gives up, a dedicated and determined young lady, and someone everyone should get to know. She has been the Student Council Class President for the past three years, a member of the Student Ambassador Club, and captain of the Girls Swim Team.



Fabian Cruz can usually be seen at Open Gym, in the middle school, showing off his amazing break dancing moves or at the school's variety shows. Cruz is a 17-year-old Junior this year. Like most other teenagers, he enjoys watching movies, hanging out with friends, and going to parties. He is mostly known for his great sense of humor and his ability to break dance. Fabian is also a member of the Varsity

Wrestling Team at Community High School. When asked what he would like to do when he gets older, he said, "Maybe I would like to become a wrestling coach." He would also like to attend Eastern Illinois University after graduating in 2004. He is truly a unique student and a great person to be around.



Luzmaria & Lourdes Tlatehui are 17-year-olds, who are not only excellent students but incredible role models. They share the same physical appearance and have the same passion for foreign languages. For many students keeping track of their second language is hard enough, but for these girls keeping track of four languages is no problem. They both speak Spanish,

English, French, and Italian. "I love being able to talk to my sister in different languages. I think that it has allowed us to expand our knowledge and still be able to share it with each other," Luzmaria stated. Students from all ages describe them as overall great girls. Their charming accents and outgoing personalities are admired by many. Both girls have been involved in dance production for two years now, and they plan on attending La Salle.



Beca Duran is the student who picks up that empty soda can sitting in the hallway and deposits it in the trashcan. While other students keep walking, Beca stops and makes a difference. With her involvement in a host of school activities, Beca shows how much she cares about her classmates.

As an active member of Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), she serves as Parliamentarian. In Junior

State of America (ISA), she is Secretary. Beca also participates in service events like Adopta-Family, Christmas caroling at the senior citizens home, and blanket drive. Outside of school, Beca takes service and volunteer trips with her church youth group. Beca also spends much of her time devoted to her church, Living Lord Lutheran Church. Both her parents are ordained ministers, and her mother is the pastor of the church.



As founder of a new club, committed government student helper, and true leader, Jeremy Rose has made the lives of many students and staff at Community High School more exciting. As a freshman and sophomore, he was active in Student Council. During his junior year, Jeremy formed the first Debate Team here at West Chicago. As a senior, he focused more on studying government. After finishing high school, his

plans for college involve majoring in Political Science. During the summer between his junior and senior year, Jeremy and three other students took a trip to Washington DC for a three week long session to help them understand the government. After his experience in Washington DC, he brought new ideas into our school. The Debate Team dream of last year has now become Junior State of America.

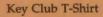


Responsible for supplying several hundred students and faculty with "Squad" tee shirts, 18-year-old senior Emesto Romo spreads school spirit with his commitment to the high school. A dedicated student, Emesto is a member of the National Honor Society as well as the German Honor Society. He is also vice president of Student Council and plays forward on the school soccer team. He is involved with Snow

Flurry because he loves helping little kids. Ernesto is often described as a people person and has excellent leadership skills. He intends on attending Loyola University and would like to become a Pediatric Surgeon. However, Ernesto is the first to admit that he is not perfect. "If I could change one thing about myself, I would grow about five inches," he says.









Fall Play T-Shirt



Trends change from year to year, but the Wildcats have taken fashion into their own hands. Sports teams, classes, and even the faculty adopted the tshirt craze this fall and showed their "Here We Go" pride.

For Homecoming, the English Department teachers created their own shirts that read "Got English?", but they were not alone. Members of the Social Studies Department designed shirts that honored the heroes of 9/11. Soon, an Economics class began marketing the shirts which saluted the New York City Fire Department and then donated their profits to charity.

Whether the t-shirts celebrated "The Squad," the senior class or the Fall Play, students and faculty showed their spirit and their humor through their apparel. "I think it's a pretty cool thing that we have different shirts that are able to represent clubs and sports, unlike just wearing your regular jerseys and decorating each others lockers," said Lorena Mansera ('04).

-Erica Fatigato and Lettecia Cruz









FDNY T-Shirt



Junior Mint T-Shirt

FBLA T-Shirt

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Trumpets T-Shirt

Football T-Shirt

SADD T-Shirt



Cheerleading T-Shirt

Boys' Soccer T-Shirt

We Go Wear

Faces of Fall

The beginning of 2002-2003 school year at West Chicago signaled major changes for the entire student body and staff. As everyone started to get back into the Wildcat spirit, they also needed to adjust to a new principal, a new schedule and a winning football team. As freshmen were introduced to the high school experience, sophomores and juniors began to realize exactly how much work Awaited them, and seniors showed up everywhere ready to show their school pride. Most remarkably, after a 24 year drought, the varsity football team earned their first playoff berth. And, yes, the West Chicago Wildcats really beat Naperville Central High School.

IN ADDITION TO MR. HIGHLAND TAKING OVER FOR DR. JONES AS PRINCIPAL OF THE SCHOOL, CHANGES ABOUNDED FOR STUDENTS. FOR THE FIRST TIME IN COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL'S HISTORY, TRUANCY BECAME AN EXPENSIVE ENDEAVOR. AFTER THE PASSING OF A NEW CITY ORDINANCE, STUDENTS WHO DITCHED CLASSES RECEIVED FINES STARTING AT \$75. AND THE DAILY SCHEDULE CONFUSED EVERYONE WITH CLASSES BEGINNING AND ENDING AT NEW TIMES. DESPITE THE CONFUSION, HOWEVER, FINISHING THE SCHOOL DAY TEN MINUTES EARLIER ALLOWED FOR A FEW SMILES.

Despite the host of new faces and changes at the high school, some things stayed the same. Student parking continued to be a hot issue, mice viisted lockers and desk drawers, and freshmen searched for the fourth floor. Sophomores celebrated getting their drivers licenses, juniors dreaded their reserach papers, and seniors slept through their first period classes. Toilet paper decorated the school on Homecoming Weekend, and fire alarms provided the entertainment at the Homecoming Dance. All in all, students will remember the Fall of 2002 as a time filled with laughter and a few Good stories.

-THE CHALLENGE STAFF



Left: Kim Mueller ('04), Julie McKee ('04), Allyson Laloggia ('04), Laura Baumrucker ('04), and Fabiola Leal ('04) enjoy the excitement of the Friday night football game.

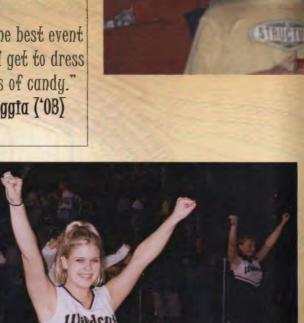
Right: Jorie Vlach ('04) gets the crowd involved and inspires school spirit at the first home football game of the season.



Heather Bien ('03), Heather Koslow ('03), and Heather Mosteller ('03) swap stories after along summer break.



"Halloween is the best event in fall because I get to dress up and get lots of candy." -Allyson Laloggia (*08)





Four words remind students to wave good-bye to summer and say hello to school once again.



Top 10 Ways to Have Fun at the Football Games: -Be the Mascot all the time, every time -Play Mafia -Yell and scream for your team -Walk around and socialize -Run around and heckle the band members -Guys: Take off your shirt and paint yourself in Wildcat colors -Watch the cheerleaders jump and yell for the Wildcats -Meet friends -Girls: Go scout the other side for guys

What do you like best about Fall?

"I love wearing hoodies because it is the best weather to do that." -Katie Knoll ('04)

"It's pretty outside to see the leaves change colors and I love that it is not freezing but it is not too hot either." -Tracy Macias ('04)

"I get to chill with all my guy friends outside because it is the perfect weather to be outside." -Eric Radloff ('04)

Top 10 Ways to Get Back into the School Spirit:

- -Attend football games -Try out for the fall play -Go to the pep rallies
- -Try out for a sport team
- -Dress as a Superhero for Homecoming -Sport We-Go Wear (see pages 6 & 7) -Support school events -Count the days until Christmas break - Enjoy fire drills - Complain about arriving

to school early



Left: Courtney Rubin ('03) shows the world her school spirit and Senior Pride by dressing in the proper attire.

Right: Jami Murphy ('03), Lindsay Paulsen ('03), Joanna Szeszycki ('03), and Heather Koslow ('03) celebrate the ingeniousness of the Senior Prank.





When the stress of school becomes overwhelming, who can offer salvation and relief? Superheroes, of course!

THEMED "WE-GO SAVES THE WORLD," HOMECOMING 2002 DIFFERED FROM ALL HOMECOMINGS PRECEDING IT. WITH THE TRADITIONAL FRIDAY PEP-A-THON SPLIT INTO MULTIPLE ASSEMBLIES, WEST CHICAGO SPIRIT SPREAD INTO A WEEK-LONG AFFAIR.

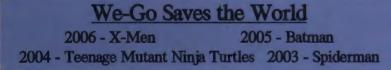
IN A HUGE UPSET, THE JUNIOR POWDERPUFF TEAMS DEFEATED BOTH SENIOR TEAMS, AND A DIFFERENT CLASS WON EACH MORNING GAME. BUT, AS EXPECTED, EVERYONE SCORED MASSIVE POINTS DURING HALL DECORATING. THE SENIOR CLASS AND THE SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT REPEATED THEIR CHAMPIONSHIP PERFORMANCES IN THE TUG-OF-WAR, WITH THE TEACHERS DEFEATING THE STUDENTS IN THE FINAL CONTEST.

The week culminated with a weekend of Homecoming festivities. Although Wheaton Warrenville South prevailed on the field Friday night, no other school came close to matching West Chicago's spirit.

-PATTY CARMONA



Senior Ernesto Romo warily stands in front of the senior male cheerleaders before they perform their routine at the Homecoming Pep Rally. Brian Nelson, Mike Paschke, Dan Deutsch, Alex Baker, Bob Nagel, Mike Treachler, Derek Jensen, Nick Michael, Justin Steck, Sean Chapman, Dan Callahan, Pablo Herrera, Tom Aguirre and Brian Romanelli made up the squad.





Members of the senior class summon their energy for the Tug-of-War against the Social Studies Department.

What is do you think of Homecoming Week? "Teachers need to lighten up." **-Mrs. Clifford** How was the pep rally? "I went to pick up my yearbook and stayed because of school spirit." -Amanda Tollas (*04) What do you think of Homecoming Week? "Homecoming Week was fun because we beat the seniors in Powderpuff." -Tumi Kuta ('04) How did you feel being nominated for Homecoming Court? "It's amazing I was nominated by my peers and in the top twelvel" -Seam Warren (*08)



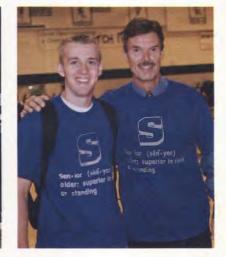
Riddle me this, Riddle me that. Did you see the painting from the big bad Wildcats? Sophmores create murals for Homecoming Week during window painting portraying Gotham City as West Chicago. "It was my favorite Homecoming ever because the dance was interesting with all the disasters that happened, and afterwards, I slept in my car at Chris Sanzeri's because there weren't adequate sleeping quarters. Thank you Mr. Sanzeri." -Greg Hodge ('03)



Emmanuel Vazquez and Katy Kostal, surprised just to be nominated, now wear the crowns.



Jasmeen Castillo and Kristin Koltz prepare to hike the ball for the seniors. Ready to charge for a quarterback sack are juniors Lisa Martin and Molly Knaak.



Principal Highland, nicknamed "Old Man" on his shirt, and Nick Bernard ('03) show senior pride.



Cheerleaders wait for the football team to come crashing through the Homecoming banner.



The West Chicago Wildcats accept the challenge in the Homecoming game against the Tigers of Wheaton Warrenville South High School.



Christine Hendron ('03) smiles for the mascot, played by Jessica Stentz ('05).

"Joe Klingberg and Justin Steck disappeared before the Meet The Candidates Assembly to buy roses at Jewel. I thought I was going to have to walk up alone." -Margy Schwartz ('03)

Who was your favorite male cheerleader? "Nick Michaell With those long skinny legs and him being so tall_and his lack of rhythm." -Kelly McCarthy (*08)

> Who was your favortte male cheerleader? "Well I do Itke blonds!" -Dave Chronowski (*04)



Scott Sieder ('03), Matt Kallas ('03), and Chris Sanzeri ('03) dress up on superhero day as Generic Cape Man, Tights Boy, and Quail Man respectively.



Jorge Carlos ('06) and Paul Reyes ('06) enjoy the morning games.

HOMECOMING DANCE 2002



Mike Martinez ('03), Tressed to impress, tries his best to drive the Batmobile!



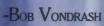
King Emmanuel Vazquez ('03) and Queen Katy Kostal ('03) have the spotlight on them as they dance.

We-Go Saves The World

Students arrived at the 2002 Homecoming dance ready to see friends and dance the night away. With a D.J. playing music to calm the mind, everybody seemed prepared for a good time. But minutes into the dance Commons needed to be evacuated as the fire alarms sounded. The D.J.'s fog machine had set off the alarms, forcing partygoers to rush out of the school and firefighters to join the festivities. After a brief visit to the parking lot, students returned to Commons to lose themselves in the rhythmic beats and sweltering atmosphere. Despite the night's shaky beginning, the dance proved to be a success.



Jasmin Celozzi ('06) and her date make an astonishing entrance.





Lindsey Doerr ('04) and Tito Pedraza ('04) share a moment at the dance.



Seniors Natalie Chudoba and Jessi Crockatt glam up Homecoming in basic black.



lan Holmes, Jon Leitherer, Merium Koch, Micah Hitchcock, and Brad Murison all ('05) strike a pose.





Jeff Raymond ('04) and Moey Stone ('04) play Santa between songs.



Survivors of the false alarm are Emily Chadraba ('06), Amanda Gibson ('05), and Shelley Koch ('05). Despite the early interruption, the Homecoming Dance still gave them reason to smile.

Hoping this night will last forever are freshmen Matt Sharko and Alicia Leonhardt.



Seniors Luanne Kozlowski and Shannon Mazzuca show the strength under their dresses.



This crowd of freshmen, together since middle school, squeeze tight to capture the memorable moment of their first Homecoming Dance. Wonder if they can recreate this pose in three years?



Erick Mariano ('06) supports an exhausted Alejandra Alegria ('06) after hours of fun.



The King (Emmanuel Vasqez) ('03) and Nick Reardon ('03) share a dance.



Tom Grove ('04), Kelly Villiams ('04), Courtney Mathias ('04), and Brad Bytof ('04) "Peace out people."



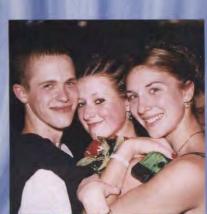
Thirteen senior and junior girls scrunch to take one last picture before calling it a night.



Lauren Kirby ('03) and Kelly Siekmann ('03) dance the robot.



Tanya Hisey ('04), Heather Edminson ('02), Kelly McCarthy ('03), Ericka Coletti ('04) show "Peace America!"



Scott Sieder ('03) snaps a picture of

himself at his last Homecoming.

Senior Andy Barton, Jessica Varble, and Heather Koslow express the Homecoming spirit.



Junior Amy Norman gladly pays full price for a dance ticket.



Vince Czernik ('05) waits impatiently for his ticket.



Senior guys Chris Sanzeri, Scott Sieder, Jim Rylowicz, Josh Kane, Mike Martinez, and Matt Kallas flex for the entire school.







"On Halloween, the coolest thing seen were all the students so dressed up, from a princess to ketchup." -Vanessa Vergara ('05)



Salome Yigzaw ('04) brings the 1970's back to We-Go.

Monaca Thomas ('03), Tigger, bounces through the LRC

Is that an English teacher or is that Quasimodo? Wait...it's Mrs. Minor FRIGHTENINGHER STUDENTS. IS THAT SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS STUDYING CALCULUS? NOPE_IT'S JUST ASHLEY MAZZOLA GETTING INTO THE HALLOWEEN SPIRIT. OCTOBER 31ST AT WEST CHICAGO IS A DAY LIKE NO OTHER. WITH GOBLINS AND GHOULS WANDERING THE HALL-WAY AND FOOTBALL PLAYERS TAKING OVER THE COUNSELING OFFICE, THE PHRASE "TRICK OR TREAT TAKES ON NEW MEANING. ALMOST EV-ERYONE CELEBRATES THE FRICHT FEST AND SAVORS THE SWEET TARTS.

- RYAN NELSON AND CHRISTINE HEDNRON

'I like that the teachers aren't so serious and they dress up sometimes too!" -Chelsea Deitz ('05)



Lauren Kirby ('03) demon-

strates the hula dance.



Jami Murphy ('03) shows off her "flapper" 1920's style.



Luigi (Jaqueline Ruiz ('04)), Mario (Nikki Lederman ('03)), and Wario (Leanna Czernik ('03)) work as new We-Go plumbers.



With Elvis (Mrs. Arnold) as their sidekick, math department members flaunt their poodle skirts.



Seniors Gumbi (Nick Chillemi) and Goo (Christine Hendron) prepare to take on Blockhead (Chris Gauldin).



Watch out Good Charlotte! Here come junoirs Anna Nuble and Ashley Rodgers as girl punk rockers.



The force is with Obi Wan Kenobi (Steve Salinas ('03)).



Spiderman (Alex Serrato ('03)) clings to the lockers

1 like Reese's Peanut Butter Cups. The commercials are great and and I always try to eat them like they do on T.V." -Stephanie Bodane(*03)

"I don't like candy. I like it on Halloween when old people give you ten pennies wrapped up in foil." -Elliott Tinnes('04)

BATTLE OF THE CANDY!

"Twizzlers are my favorite because they are yummy in my tummy. Oh, that rhymes!" -Kate Patnaude (03)

"Hershey's milk chocolate is my favorite candy because you can put a smile on." -Cory Arta (*05)

> "Skittles! They make mouths happy!" -Melissa Stevens (*03)



Seniors Stephanie Bodane, Lynn Mielke, Sean Warren, Kori Flagg, and Beth Kipp model their Halloween attire.



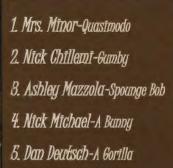
Brian Romanelli ('03) shows his wild side as a cowboy.

Mr. Doll, Blue's friend Steve ponders clues in his notepad



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TOP FIVE CANDIES

- 1. Snīckers
- 2. Skittles
- B. Twix
- 4. Reese's Peanut Buttler Cups
- 5. 100 Grand







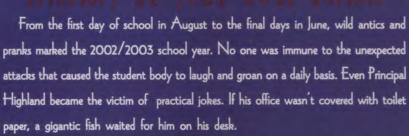












During Homecoming, the flow of the toilet paper continued. Freshmen walked through the hallways, wary of their classmates filled with school spirit. But the only person who truly needed to fret was whoever finally cleared that tree off the football field.

These antics have been and will continue to be an integral part of Community High School, continually causing laughter and keeping the Deans in business.



Wait a minute. Has that tre ways been on the football fi

-Adilene Chavez



A stream of toliet paper welcomes students on the first day of school.



The West Chicago Police Department continues to search for culprits who defaced the Principal's office.

"What makes life great is the joy of lenghter." -Janotte Gonzale



Why is a gigantic fish sitting on Mr. Highland's desk?



Mr. Highland dresses for the occassion as a show of support during a teacher training.



Each year the Deans hope We-Go Homecoming wit toilet paper decorations.



Senior Jessica Cwiak loves riding in her Mitsubishi Eclipse GT.

Cruising with the CoolestCars

WHAT IS OLD IS NOW NEW. IN 1964, THE VOLKSWAGEN BEETLE WAS THE HOTTEST CAR AROUND, TODAY, THIS CAR HAS COME BACK INTO ACTION AND IS SEEN EVERYWHERE, AS TIME GOES ON, HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF.

WITH THIS IN MIND, THE CARS HERE AT COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL HAVE THEIR OWN STYLE WITH BOOMING STEREO SYSTEMS AND SWEET RIMS. "WHEN I GET OLDER, MY CAR IS GOING TO LOOK BAD IN ITS PIMPED OUT WHEELS AND ITS LEATHER INTERIOR," SAID SOPHOMORE RICKY ELDRIDGE.

THE NEED TO HAVE THE BEST CAR AROUND IS PRESENT IN EVERY GENERATION. THE PARKING LOT WILL ALWAYS HAVE THOSE CARS THAT WILL MAKE A PERSON LOOK TWICE.

THERE WILL ALWAYS BE A CAR THAT MAKES MOUTHS WATER, AND ONLY TIME WILL TELL IF IT'S A SUBARU BAJA OR FERRARI 360. -LETTECIA CRUZ ('04)



Junior Guillermo Perez's '98 Honda Civic looks good even in the winter time.



n the school's parking lot, Sophomore pse Cuevas' two seated Del Sol stands ut among the parked cars.



enior Paul Majchrowski enjoys every inute in his '73 baby blue Ford Musng.

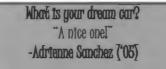


Iriana Vargas enjoys riding in her sun with Lexus.

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Junior Jorge Vargas and other students feel that the '03 Escalade is by far the most recognizable parents' car at We-Go.



What color do you prefer most for a car? "My favorte color for a car has to be black. It can make a bad car look good." -Ryan Nelson (*04)

Is that a real car? No, it's a model that decorates Mr. Krebsbach's office.





Junior Jeff Beideman's blue Subaru is a widely recognizable car here at We-Go.



Senior Jaclyn Demes loves riding in her cat, '88 Mercury Cougar.



Junior Nancy Luna struts her stuff with her new 02' Mitshubishi.

WHODUNNIT? WITH ITS COMPLEX COMBINA-TION OF MURDER AND MYSTERY, THE FALL PLAY GETTING AWAY WITH MURDER BY STEPHEN SONDHEIM AND GEORGE FURTH KEPT EVERYONE WONDERING.

> THE PLOT OF THE PLAY INVOLVES A CURIOUS PSYCHIATRIST WHO FORMS A THERAPY GROUP IN WHICH EACH MEMBER REPRESENTS ONE OF THE SEVEN DEADLY SINS. THE PSYCHIATRIST, DR. CONRAD BERING (JESSE LORD '03), GETS KILLED WHEN HE FINDS OUT THAT MARTIN CHISHOLM (SEAN WARREN '03) KILLS HIS SON, JR (RYAN NELSON '04). The group discov-ERS MARTIN HAS KILLED THE DOCTOR, SO MARTIN DE-CIDES TO KILL EVERYONE AND NEARLY GETS AWAY WITH MURDER WHEN HE ACCIDEN-TALLY FALLS INTO THE BRO-KEN ELEVATOR SHAFT. BY THE END OF THE PLAY, EV-ERYONE IN THE CAST IS DEAD. -CHRISTINE HENDRON



JR (Ryan Nelson '04) gets away with the murder Charmaine (Kaitlyn McAvoy '05) at a park.

Cast Quotes.

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With

Fall Play

Murder

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Vassili Laimorgos (Mike Giese '04) organizes his array of food, being sure not to forget his baklava.



Dan Gerard (Andy Dameron '04) and Nam-Jun Vuong (Jessica Stentz '05) join the group after coming in from the rain.



The group is astonished to find that their faithful doctor was killed. Dossie Lustig (Dana Grant '04) cries from the loss of her lover.



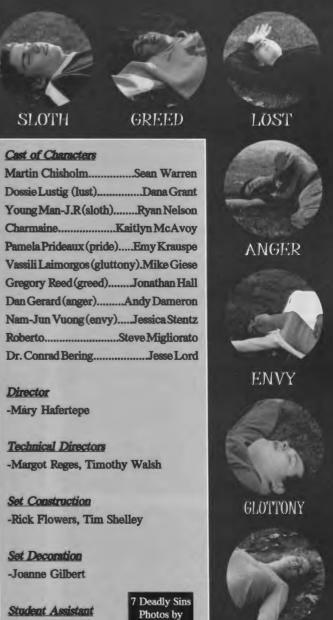
The group discusses how Dr. Conrad Bering was murdered and exactly why JR has a message on the answering machine.



Dr. Conrad Bering (Jesse Lord '03) finds out Martin Chisholm's (Sean Warren '03) secret of killing his son JR.



Chisholm imagines killing the group including Vuong (Jessica Stentz '05) and Pamela Prideaux (Emy Krauspe '04).



Sarah Hasse

<u>Student Assistant</u> -Monaca Thomas

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Fall into the Act



D.J Henning ('04) sets the crowd to go crazy with his break-dancing skills.



Jeff Linsenmeyer ('05) leads the crowd in singing the "Star Spangled Banner."

As THE CURTAIN DROPPED AND THE LIGHTS DIMMED, THE AUDIENCE WAITED FOR THE ENTERTAINERS TO APPEAR AND SHOW



The Caramelatinas show off their match outfits with dance.

What did gou enjoy about the Variety Show?

"Mr. Nighland was the best because it was firming to see our very own principal sing." -Jeff Raymond ("O4)

"It was awesome how the

break dancers performed with

the band Blind Fate."

-David Reynolds (*04)

OFF THEIR VARIOUS TALENTS. A VARIETY OF ACTS SUCH AS BREAK-DANCERS SPINNING ON THEIR HEADS, BALLET DANCERS TWIRLING AROUND STAGE ON POINTE, AND SINGERS BELTING OUT THEIR SONGS AT THE TOP OF THEIR LUNGS TOOK THE STAGE. ALL THE WHILE THE AUDIENCE APPLAUDED AND SCREAMED OUT THE NAMES OF THE PERFORMERS. THE SINGERS AND DANCERS FELT THE VIEWS FROM THEIR FELLOW STUDENTS. "I LOVE THE FEELINGS OF ENERGY FROM THE CROWD. THAT IS WHAT MAKES THE BREAKERS ROCK THE SHOW," SAID FABIAN CRUZ ('04) WHOSE DANCING CREW LEFT THE AUDIENCE SCREAMING AND WANTING MORE. THE VARIETY SHOW IS AN EVENT WHERE STUDENTS SHARE THEIR TALENTS WITH THE SCHOOL, SHOWING FACULTY MEMBERS AND PEERS WHERE THEY SHINE. WE-GO STUDENTS REALLY FELT LIKE THEY ATTENDED THE EMMYS IN THE AUDIENCHMAN ESPECIALLY WHEN MR. HIGHLAND JOINED THE FESTIVITIES AND SERENADED THE AUDIENCE WITH A BALLAD FROM THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA.

-LEAH CHRISTIANSEN

How did the perform feel about the show

"H's awazing the power i music holds. It can chan your life, your outlook, or love." -Mark Foobe (*08)

"We (MonFarie) full ackep to dram we want to be, wake-ap and try in than reality." - **Run Agritme (OS)**





Yuko Otsuka ('03) concentrates hard while showing her talent playing the piano.

Left: Alex Serrato ('03) performs with Aimee Beutke ('03) to Nelly N' Kelly.

Right: Mark Foote ('03) rocks out while playing the guitar with Blind Fate.



The crowd goes into shock as Mr. Highland comes on stage to perform.





"The Past is Now Present" presents Bro Bachelor ('04) and her lovely voice.



David Aguirre ('04) shares his natural talent Daying the drums.

"White Rice and Bean are very talented. Some day they'll make it big." -Ryan Henning (*04)



Becky Wilkening ('04) makes the crowd sit in silence while she sings to a slow jam.



Matt Shambo ('03) walks Emily Ekstrom ('04) down stage to introduce the next act.

" I promised Ms. Blume and Mrs. Wirth I'd do it in a weak moment. However I felt foolish and embarrassed in that ridiculous outfit." -Mr. Highland



Greg Hodge ('03) and Alex Baker ('03) laugh on stage while making jokes to entertain the crowd between perfomances. Looks like they laughed a little harder than the audience!



Sean Reynolds ('04) and Mena Gentile ('04) entertain the crowd while the acts scramble to get ready backstage.



Left: Tom Aguirre ('03) spills his heart out in his words to the crowd.



Javier **Cruz** ('03) shows off his **Oaxaca** flavor with his amazing voice and style.

"Javier Cruz can sing. He has a strong voice and is a natural performer." -The Caramelatinas



Nicole Chudoba ('05) belts out her voice to the sounds of the piano.



Aron Morris ('03) and Courtney Mathias ('04) introduce the next performers.

The Snowball Effect

Snowball 2002

"Snowball was a really great experience. ... People who thought they weren't going to have fun actaally had the best time!" -Jenna Pelet ('04)

Te's so much more than "SAY NO TO DROGSI" HE's actually fan, and if gives you the opportunity to learn about old issues in a fim and challenging wag." -Rachel Moguel ("08)

"Spowball was an awesome expertence. For one day we put pretensions aside and falked about cent tssures," -Kristina Wanous (*08)

"Snowball was a core ordeal that I met mana friends ut. I love Cat." -Eric Oglanian ('04)





Imagine a high school stu-dent at a party. Someone hands him A DRINK, HE ACCEPTS, HE CHOOSES TO DRIVE HOME, AND AN INNOCUOUS EVENT SNOWBALLS INTO A CATASTROPHE. IN AN ATTEMPT TO PREVENT THIS TYPE OF TRAGEDY, OPERATION SNOWBALL EDUCATES TEENS ANALY THE TRACEDY, OPERATION SNOWBALL EDUCATES TEENS AUGUT THE DANCERS OF DRUGS AND ALCOHOL, WHILE TEACHING LEADERSHIP. ON NOVEMBER 16, 2002, A BLZZARD HIT COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE SECOND TIME, BRINGING WITH IT 93 PARTICIPANTS. THREE TEEN DIRECTORS, EIGHT STAFF MEMBERS, AND 14 ADULTS SPENT MANY HOURS AND NIGHTS PLANNING. SPEAKER JAMES LILLY, A FORMER GANG MEMBER AND NIGHTS PLANNING. SPEAKER JAMES DADITIONANT SHAPPT HIS STORES AND MIGHTS PLANNING. SPEAKER JAMES DADITIONANT SHAPPT HIS STORES AND NIGHTS PLANNING. SPEAKER JAMES DADITIONANT SHAPPT HIS STORES AND NIGHTS PLANNING. SPEAKER JAMES DADITIONANT SHAPPT HIS STORES AND NIGHTS PLANNING. SPEAKER JAMES DADITIONANT SHAPPT HIS STORES AND NIGHTS PLANNING. SPEAKER JAMES DADITIONANT SHAPPT HIS STORES AND NIGHTS PLANNING. SPEAKER JAMES DADITIONANT SHAPPT HIS STORES AND NIGHTS PLANNING. SPEAKER JAMES DADITIONANT SHAPPT HIS STORES AND NIGHTS PLANNING. SPEAKER JAMES DADITIONANT SHAPPT HIS STORES AND NIGHTS PLANNING. SPEAKER JAMES DADITIONANT SHAPPT HIS STORES AND MEMBER AND NIGHTS PLANNING. SPEAKER JAMES DADITIONANT SHAPPT HIS STORES AND MEMBER AND NIGHTS PLANNING. SPEAKER JAMES DADITIONANT SHAPPT HIS STORES AND MEMBER AND NUW AN OLYMPIC WHEELCHAIR PARTICIPANT, SHARED HIS STORIES ABOUT HIS OWN INVOLVEMENT WITH DRUGS. MARK SANDERS SHAKE TO THE TEENS ABOUT MAKING THE HEART AND THE MIND AGREE AND RECOMMENDED THEY REMEMBER TO RIGHT WRONG DECISIONS RIGHT AWAY. THE "NO TALENT/ TALENT SHOW" WAS THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE DAY. AFTER GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER, SMALL GROUPS NEEDED TO PREPARE A CHOLF TALENT IN LESS THAN THIRTY MINUTES. ACCORDING TO JUNIOR RYAN HENNING, HIS TALENT INVOLVED WINNING \$100.00 IN

A RANDOM DRAWING THAT AFTERNOON. RESPECT WAS THE THEME. "RESPECT I EARN IT, ABUSE IT, LOSE IT." LEARN IT, -MELISSA PRUSKO

RESPECT

LEARN IT





General Sessions. Here beens hear speakers on vartous toptcs. These sessions are intended to help the teens share their feelings.



LOSE IT

Mint Workshops. Workshop cover a wide horizon of topics. Teens select that day which workshops to attend.



Lunch time! The participants adults mingle.

Below: A small group does trust walk.



Small Groups. They are led by a been a adath. Here beens can discuss general . topics or anything they feel.



The Day. What To Expect

Above: A small group takes a pic-

Below: Junior Ryan Henning

cheers after winning \$100.00!

ture break.

Midnight Madness

Tumblin' Away



The Jesse White Tumblers entertain he crowd with daredevil stunts

After its successful logate in 2001, Midnight Madness returned with fun and spirit. Planned by Mr. McCarthy's marketing class and co-sponsored by Woody Buck, Midnight Madness, a basketball-oriented fundraiser, allows the girls and boys basketball teams to start their season by competing with each other. The concept of Midnight Madness first began in colleges when basketball players met the day before the season began.

Community High School gelebrated this college tradition on an November evening. Bishop Gym turned into a wrestling arena when students competed against teachers in fat body suits. By far, Sticky Buns was among the growd's favorites. With tape placed on their rear ends, participants attempted to pick up as much as \$200 spread across the floor.

WINNERS OF CONTESTS RECEIVED PRIZES SUCH AS MCDONALD'S GIFT CERTIFI-CATES AND A LIFETIME FITNESS MEMBERSHIP. BUT, UNFORTUNATELY, NO ONE WON THE GRAND PRIZE A 2002 BUILT CENTURY IN A BASKETPALL SHOOT-OUT.





It sthebattle of the sexes (Nick Michae) ('03) and Alethea Norton ('04) fight for the ball and their gender.



scretary of State Jesse White poses with the marketing class and shows his inthusiasm for the success of Midnight Madness.



Participants of sticky buns try to get as much money as possible while blindfolded.



2m Polocek ('04) stuffs himself in the hotdog eating ontest



icsse White's surprise appearance proves to be the highlight of the night.



Mrs. Donovan and Lisa Montenegro (713) get ready o start their sumo wrestling match.



Amy Ackerman ('05) and Kim Palka ('04) pace off each other.

CC HONORS MVP ~ Katy Kostal & Christy Adduci MIP ~ Kelly Wdowiarz ROOKIE AWARD \sim Amy Ackerman

A Road Less Travelled

VERY FEW PEOPLE DECIDE TO ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE OF A THREE MILE RACE, BUT THE GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY TEAM STEPPED UP TO THE LINE WEEK AFTER WEEK. READY TO DO WHAT SO VERY FEW EVEN ATTEMPT.

THE ROAD LESS TRAVELED WAS THE NEW 5K-COURSE DISTANCE, RAISED FROM 2.5 MILES SINCE LAST YEAR. THE EXTRA DISTANCE CALLED FOR STRENGTH, MENTAL TOUGHNESS, AND A TRUE PASSION FOR PUSHING BEYOND ONE'S OWN LIMITS, PUSHING THROUGH THE PAIN. THE WILDCATS DID JUST THAT AND MADE HISTORY ALONG THEIR OURNEY.

THE WILDCATS BEGAN WITH BACK TO BACK CHAMPIONSHIPS AT THE CRYSTAL LAKE AND WALCONDA INVITATIONALS. THE MOMENTUM GAINED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SEASON TAPERED OFF MIDWAY UNTIL THE FALCON CLASSIC FLIGHTED MEET. THE TOP SEVEN VARSITY RUNNERS COMPETED IN SEVEN SEPARATE RACES, AND FIVE GIRLS MEDALED. THE WILDCATS HOSTED THE DVC CONFERENCE MEET AT MANVILLE OAKS, THEIR NEW HOME COURSE, STELLAR PERFORMANCES CAME FROM SENIOR KATY KOSTAL IN 5TH AND JUNIOR CHRISTY ADDUCT IN 7TH, AND THE TEAM PLACED 5TH OVERALL IN THE CONFERENCE.

WITH THE DREAM OF STATE STILL VERY STRONG THE TEAM EASILY OUALIFIED FOR SECTIONALS AND RAN TO A 6TH PLACE FINISH - THE BEST IN SCHOOL HISTORY. THE TOP FIVE TEAMS QUALIFIED. THOUGH THE LAST GOAL OF THE SEASON RAN AWAY FROM THEM. IT HAS ONLY ADDED TO THE MOTIVATION TO IMPROVE ON THE BEST SEASON EVER FOR WEST CHICAGO FOR NEXT YEAR.

-KATY KOSTAL



Coach Claiborne discusses race stra egy with Aimee Beutke ('03).

"Every race is a test. The question is, are you passing or failing?" said Katy Kostal ('03).



Crystal Lake ~ Wauconda ~ Kaneland ~ BARTLET Kaneland ~



Lauren Anders ('04) takes times with Japanese exchange student Yuko Otsuka.



Mary Beth Selby ('04) grabs a postpractice bagel.

24 Girls Cross Country



After the first of many successful meets, the girls pose at Elburn Woods where they won their first meet of the season, Kaneland.

"Ma favorite moment was at Sectionals "My favorite part of the season was at the line when we would sing, loudly, "I Feel Good"] waiting for results. They got closer to the top 5-6th was We-Go. What I'll remember People thought we were nots, but other teams is the reaction of everyone bearing 6th." also sang and fived to our abelia groavel -Karda Halsall (*08) -Mony Bern Selby (04) "My favorite part of the season is after "One funny moment was when we found meets. It feels good to finish and we get to our team mascots (Patty the praying hang out and EATI The best meet was Benet. mantis and Greco the gecko)." We chosed a golf cart during the race." -Captain Christy Adduct ('04) -Bruce Molfe (104)

Megan Andracki ('05) pus through the pain at Kaneland.



Amanda Weier ('04) and Kay Halsall ('03) pack up the home me



Girls Cross Country Front: Laura Tan, Coach Katerina Claiborne, Carmen Baucedo 2nd Row: Kelly Wdowiarz, Amanda Weier, Hilary Tennant, Christy Adduci, Megan Andracki, Gwen Murphy, Lauren Anders 3rd Row: Stephanie Schwabe, Bryce Wolfe, Katie Ulin, Kim Palka, Katy Kostal, Madeline Foote Back: Mary Beth Selby, Krystal Muhlberger, Kayla Halsall, Amy Ackerman, Laura Hahn, Danielle Freebern



Health nut Christy Adduci ('04).



Just plain nuts Krystal Muhlberger ('03)!

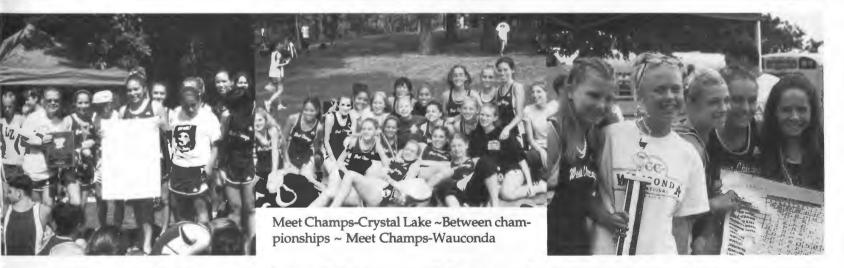


The girls pose after qualifying for Sectionals.



Kim Palka ('03) and Kelly Wdowiarz ('04) support the exhausted and muddy legs of Krystal Muhlberger ('03) after a dual meet.

Falcon Classic ~ Benet ~ Conference ~ Regionals ~ Sectionals



"I think my favorite part was singing oldies at Neuconda - everyone got so pampedi And getting first place as a team made H. 10 times betterf" -Kelly Ndowiarz (*05)

> "We-Go - bow do you feel?!" -Capitato Katy Kostal (*08)

"I FEEEEL GOODI" -West Chicago Girls Cross Country Teams



Carmen Saucedo and Krystal Muhlberger cherish their last year as We-Go CC girls.

	"My favorite moment was when I got mg first medal EVER at the Wheaton North meet." -Carmon Saucedo (*09)
"Best meet Kapeland, 1 did ing best before ing injury, passed people at the end, got a ribbon - always run your race like it's your last." Lauren Anders (194)	awesomel All of the songs

AND THAT HAS MADE ALL THE DEFERENCE

Prior to big meets, the team surrounded a boombox, belting out inspirational speeches about how hard the runners needed to work in every inch of their races.

The moments of inspiration paid off with Sophomore Tom Harwood and Senior Pat Baur earning All-Conference honors and a 4th place Conference finish for Varsity.

AFTER MONTHS OF PREPARATION AND WEEKS OF MEETS, THE TEAM FACED THEIR GREATEST CHALLENGE AT REGIONALS. THEY TOOK A HEARTBREAKING 6TH PLACE, ONE SPOT SHY OF GOING ONTO SECTIONALS AS A TEAM.

Harwood and Baur were both individual qualifiers for Sectionals. The sour inevitability that the season would end was sweetened by the fact that the CC Boys gave it their all during every day of practice, and every step of each race. Reflecting on his last season of Cross Country, Derek Jensen said, "Cross Country has turned enemies into friends, and friends into brothers."

-KATY KOSTAN

CC Honors

Tom Harwood

Jason Becker

MVP.

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Coach's

Award.

Rich Visser

Boys Cross Country Front: Matt Nowaczewski, Coach Paul McLeland, Kevin Duffy 2nd Row: Frank Anderson, Phil Lam, Kyle Householder, John Kiechmann, Tom Harwood, Zach Farber, Sal Rizzo 3rd Row: Andrew Bass, Pat Baur, Miles Lincoln, Ben Hoshaw, George Visser, Greg Moore Back: Jason Shreeram, Jason Becker, Richard Visser, Bill Winter Justin Hoshaw, Erich Musick, Derek Jensen

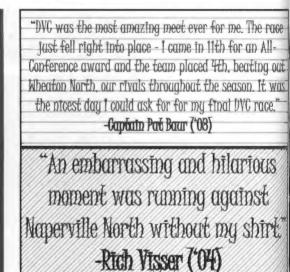




Coach McLeland gives George Visser ('06) his views on how his first invitational race went.



Pride remains evident amongst the team as they wait along a course to cheer on the girls' teams.





Tom Harwood ('05) strides out during mile two at the season opener.



Greg Moore ('03) holds a steady pace through the season's first race.



The entire slew of West Chicago runners runs their warm-up prior, their first meet at Kaneland.



Derek Jensen ('03) runs his first invite of the season - in one shoe!



Frank Anderson('05) rounds the final bend at Kaneland.



Rich Visser ('04) checks for his nonexistent competition.



Jason Shreeram ('04) prepares to sprint it into the chute.



The West Chicago Cross Country Banner hangs along the Crystal Lake course.

"All through the season we had the hope of making it down state. Even though we fell a little short, we had fan and held our heads high. Even during the worst parts of the season teammates were there for each other to help everyone through." -Anonanous Ramper

"It was a fun and enjoyable season and we'll really miss our seniors." -Jason Becker (*04) FOUR SEASONS ARE ALREADY OVER I REMEMBER COMING IN HERE AS A PRESIMAN AND MAKING IT TO ADOLT HALF THE PRACTICES. I WORKED HARDER EACH SEASON BOR RE THIS SEASON I REDGED TO THE TEAM I WOULD GIVE EMERY WORKOUT MY ALL NOT ONLY DID I KEEP MY WORD, BUT I PROMED IT MANY TIMES. FOUR SEASONS, AND EACH YEAR PEOPLE LIEFT AND JOINED. I'M PROUD I WAS GIVEN THE CHANCE TO RUN WITH ALL OF YOU. YOU GUYS WERE THE REASON I FNOMED WAKING UP AT 6500 AM TO COME AND RUN WE ALL PUSHED THROUGH THE SAME PAIN, SPILLED THE SAME SWEAT, BREATHED THE SAME AR, AND PUSHED EACH OTHER. THERE IS NO OTHER CROUP OF GUYS THAT I CAN SAY I WENT TO HELL AND BACK WITH, AND I KNOW I DIDN'T DO THAT ALONE BEFORE REGIONALS I PREPARED MY RACE UNE IT COULD BE MY LAST. I WORE UP HOPING IT WOULDN'T BE THE LAST DAY I HAD BUTTHERES IN MYSTOMACH, I HAD FAITH THAT IT WOULDN'T BE THE LAST TIME I PUT ON THE WE-GO UNFROM FOR A CC RACE. ITWAS THE HARDEST INCE I'VE FMER RUN, I'M A SENKER NOW; THERE'S NO MORE NEXT YEAR. I CAN'T RUN THESE RACES GAIN. CROSS COUNTRY IS A SPORT AMOUNT RESILIENCE. WHERE WE FAILED THIS YEAR IS WHERE YOU ALL WILL SUCCEED. YOU ALL HAVE THE SAME GOAL, THE SAME DESIRE, AND THE SAME DREAM - STATE. EVERYONE ELSE HAS THE SAME DREAM AS YOU GUYS TOO. THE ONLY DIFFERENCE IS WHO IS GOING TO WAKE UP AND WHO IS GOING TO BE LIVING IT. I THANK GOD FOR GIVING ME THE CHANCE TO RUN WITH YOU GUYS. I LEAVE YOU WITH THIS CROSS COUNTRY WILL LEAVE MARKS ON ALL OF US, BUT ARE YOU WILLING TO LEAVE YOUR MARK ON CROSS COUNTRY?"





Senior team captains Greg Moore and Derek Jensen model their warm-ups.



Derek Jensen ('03) pushes through the halfway point on his home course.



After narrowly missing out on qualifying for Sectionals, the team smiles after a strong effort at Regionals at Kaneland, where their season began.



Pat Baur ('03) and Jason Becker ('04) rest after Regionals.



Rich Visser ('04) puts on a surge to catch his competition.

Stretching The Limits









What was special about this football season-other than making the play-offs?

"We got to tackle Mr. Assaf on his birthday." -Alonso Torres (*06)

"We had a lot of fans that sapported as and came to watch us. We also had a lot of faith and never gave up." -Hugo Saucedo (*05)

" I will never forget playing football at West Chicago, and I will never forget the men I played with this year." -Brian Calabrese (*08) Every season begins with goals, West Chicago's Football Team accomplished are massive goal Z6 years overdue. This team of unified athletes achieved likeir goal by making the play-offs for the very first time in over two decades. These athletes played as one, last as one and succeeded as one. Perhaps the inspiration for success came from Mr. Highland, the new principal, who coached the previous football team more than two decades ago However Coach Jash Chambers said the team's "inspiration came from each other."

The 2002-03 West Chicago Wildcat Football season began by separating the men from the bays Anyone who experienced it I nows what it is like blood and sweat. The dedication hard work and teamwork all came together in the first week of football camp

"This team had more unity than any other team that I have played on. There was no separation between seniors and juniors or offense and detense like in recent years." said Brian Calabrese 1031

Going into the last game of the season with a four and four record, the Wildcats had to win the last game to earn a play-off berth. The Maperville Central Redhawks also entered the held with four wins and four losses, needing a victory just as badly as West Chicago, Little did they know the Wildcats were ready to accept the challenge of detecting the Redhawks. I nocking them out of the play-offs and attaining a position in the Illinois State Play-offs after 20 years of coming up short.

To rekindle the feelings of unity determination and hard work felt by the 1976 Wildcats the 2002 fear drew upon massive crowd support. Seniors on the team overcome with the weight of their accomplishment and cried tears of joy. As the seconds tidked down and the Redhawks' heads fell in disappointment, the Wildcats runned the field and raised their voices in triumph. The Wildcats fell short in the post season, but the season will never be forgatten.

-Brisa Mendez, Maricarmen Osoria and Brian Calabrese How do you think that making the play-offs affects future We-Go football players?

"Making the play-offs gives as the confidence to be a better team for the fature." -Jorge Carlos (*06)

"I think it will motivate fature players to improve during the off seasons in order to make the play-offs." -Ryan Funderburk ("05)

"It inspired us to work and to take our school higher than ever before." -Manny Resendiz (*06)

"The greatest thing that could happen to the school, community, and student body was the play-offs. There was a genuine school spirit, something I would like to see happy every year." -Principal Highland



The football team huddles together before a game to get their spirits going.



Head Coach Bob Stone carefully examines his next move that will bring the team into victory.



Junior Jason Jensen prepares to charge an opposing player from Wheata Warrenville South.

"This season was probably the most satisfying season I ever had. The seniors took ownership of the team, which was really special. Making the play-offs gave fature players more realistic goal to shoot for." -Head Coach Bob Stone

"We may be as different as it can be when we are wearing different clothes, hanging out with different friends, but when we all have our jersegs on, we would give our book for one another, and that is just magical." -Stmon Blanco ('08)

Varsity Front: Robert Rhodes, Joe Klingberg, Matt Kallas, Charlie Cloutier, Pablo Herrera, Gabe Pinto, Mike Smolucha 2nd: Matt Russell, Brian Calabrese, Brad Bytof, Elliott Tinnes, Brian Holt, Tyler Piech, TJ Shanahan, Derek Koelsch 3rd: Eric Oglanian, Mike Martinez, Assistant Coach Pete Martino, Assistant Coach Josh Chambers, Head Coach Bob Stone, Assistant Coach John Walters, Assistant Coach Josh Chambers, Head Coach Bob Stone, Assistant Coach John Walters, Assistant Coach Jeff Ford, Rob Casey, Ryan Henning 4th: Scott Sieder, Wyatt Schuyler, Mike Boland, Steve Singer, Jeff Raymond, Tim Murrey, Emmanuel Vazquez, Scott Campbell, Justus Taylor 5th: Andy Denniger, Dan Millard, Joel Somers, Mike Vargas, Hulie Davalos, Jason Jensen, Adam Vann, Taylor Curran 6th: Mike Liszka, Ryan McQueen, Ryan Stuhr, Aron Morris, Tony Zumpano, David Reynolds, Errik Loosli, Simon Blanco, Tony Reyes 7th: Chris Sanzeri, Bob Hock, Zach Hedger, Matt Kuhn, Bob McLaren, Nick Fairbanks, Kris Walski, Jake Delort Back: Dan Kaylor, Jared Hall, Dan Harms, Brian Allison, Josh Bentham, Tom Cleveland Matt Coiley, Jim Rylowicz, Roger Strike



Freshman Front: Dexter Gonzales, Tony Balsman, Nick Nolte, Jordan Meissner, Dung Nguyen, Jorge Carlos, Andrew Singer, Steven Benson, Justin Garrett 2nd: Nathan Oelslager, Joel Barker, Chris LaFleur, Don Koltz, Brian Correa, Brian Brewster, Kevin Grobe, Bruce Guevara, Dan Shelhamer, Dennis Rocha 3rd: Charles Blanchard, Rob Hawco, Kyle Rohrdanz, Coach John Melody, Coach Clay Reagan, Coach Mike Assaf, Coach Ward Rau, John Taylor, Nathan Wheatley, Kyle Frank 4th: Brian Russel, Ricardo Mendez, Max Tufano, Dustin Hedmark, Kyle Hobday, Cuauhtemoc Correa, David Lam, Eric Steere, Andi Szyszko 5th: AJ Mendoza, Roel Martinez, Tim Polacek, Jay Hammock, Derek Jones, Josh Kerber, Matt Albrecht, Adam Schumacher, Scott Kimball, Miguel Leal 6th: Pat Geissman, Alonso Torres, Joe Malandruccolo, Jon Perdue, Jim Siekmann, Vince Petronzio, Norman Hudecki, Ryan Foytik, Jared Vasiliauskas 7th: Jerry Henning, Seamus Joyce-Olson, Pat Howe, Jonathan Kammes, Steve Glinka, Mitch Bridges, Cesar Garcia, Dan Brogan Back: Chris Gates, Mike Tunk, Greg Dunn, Travis Saville, Kyle Wiersbe, Larry Pope, Eric Wiechert, Matt Schneider, Kevin Memoli

Varsity Scores

Glenbard East	31-20
Naperville North	48-7
Wheaton Warr S.	31-20
West Aurora	48-19
Wheaton North	27-7
Glenbard North	28-10
Naperville Central	10-7
Overall Record:	5-5
Conference Record:	3-4
Conference Place:	4th
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Sophomore Front: Coach Zeitler, Julio Velazquez, Hugo Saucedo, Bill Myers, Carlos Santillan, Dan Eckler, Nick Verzillo, Coach Bicker 2nd: Tyreese Barber, Mike Avila, Hugo Conde, Chris Kane, Tony Sosa, Adam Tancl, Steve Trevino, David Vann, Erik Hernandez 3rd: Dan Zieche Dan Liszka, Brad Kraft, Brandon Kutilek, Rob Lakics, Alberto Terrazas, Dale Staton, John Karnoscak, Tom Healy. Cole Coats 4th: Anthony McNerney, George Chiarito, Mike Hanrahan, Ryan Funderburk, Kenny Tinnes, Joel Castro, Matt VanGorkom, Bryan Loosli Back: Mike Brzeczek, Ryan Morris, Vince Czernik, Dustin Saville, Nick Doncoes, Jeff Gilbert, Chris Wiersbe, Luke Martin, Brad Murison, Bob Conard

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	Glenbard East	30-14 L	
	Naperville North	14-0 L	
	Wheaton Warr S.	24-18 L	
-	West Aurora	14-9 W	
	Wheaton North	27-6 L	
	Glenbard North	14-8 L	
	Overall Record:	1-7	
	Varsity Coach: Bob Sto	one	
	Assistants: Josh Chambers, Jeff		
Ford, Peter Martino and John			
	Walters		

IV Scores



"The team may not have done as well as we wished, but it was our first year." -Quin Barclay (*06)

Driving It Home

WITH PUTTERS IN HAND, THE VARSITY BOYS GOLF TEAM STARTED OFF THE SEASON WITH HIGH HOPES. THEY ROAMED THE GREEN SEARCHING FOR ANY LOST BALLS IN HOPES OF FINISHING THE HOLE AND ATTAINING PAR OR BIRDES.

At their first meet, they competed valiantly scoring a win for the Wildcats, with Dan Pazar ('03) and Dan Polacek ('04) leading on. The team then went back to the basks. At St. Andrews, they swung, putted, and teed off, cetting better with every stroke, while enjoying the sunshine and fresh ar. The knowledge of having supportive teammates behind them, such as Josh Hahn ('04), Mike Paschke ('03), and Jeff Beeks ('03), drove them on Rarely taking a break from practice heijed Tom Grove ('04) and Dan Buller ('04). Hoping to hold that feeling, the team with coaches Joe Schrom and Eric Lasky went right back to St. Andrews, no longer focusing on the basks but on winning. The Wildcats started to advance their technique. Powering on to state, the team had high hopes of taking back a win. Greg Hodge ('03) and Joe Station ('05) were recognized as MVPs for Their hard work and dedication. 'Coach Lasky made the sport fun,'' said Dan Polacek ('04). D a n Pazar ('03) and Josh H a h n ('04) high five after a well putted round.



The We-Goboys rest and talk before getting back to the green.

Teammates Greg Hodge ('03), Joe Staiton ('05), and Tom Grove ('04) plan their strategy.

> "The Janior team really stepped ap this year." -Dan Dovan (*04)

-Chris Prochnow (*06)

Front: Jeff Beeks, Dan Pazar, Greg Hodge Tom Grove, Joe Staiton, Mike Paschke. Back Assistant Coach Joe Schrom, Dan Bulleri Dan Polacek, Josh Hahn, Head Coach Eri Lasky.



Putting Along

Off it flew, the first coufball of the gris' season, signaling the beginning of a season destined for improvement. Despite conference struggles, the team acquired two non-conference victories an improvement from last year. Sophomore Jame Klingberg had a successful year at the number one position for the team. Every single colfer decreased her score by a few strokes from the beginning of the season to the end. The credit belongs to Coach Mike Cain for the team's improvement.

"He is a great coach and continued to make progress with us," said Klingberg. The team consisted of six returning players and four helpful newcomers. Seniors Jessica Varble, Heather Goorley, McKenze Maloney, Brittany Brown, Jessica York, and Margaret Schwartz led the team. Sophomores Jame Klingberg, Michele Walters, Dana Yormark, and freshman Katte Quarto helped make a formula for a memorable season.

> "It's a fun sport and we have a good time," said Yormark. The team hores to have another successful and are looking forward to more sunny days.

The We-Go Girls have a "bond session" before a meet.



Front: Michele Walters, McKenzie Maloney, Brittany Brown, Jamie Klingberg, Jessica York, Margaret Schwartz Back: Katie Quarto, Dana Yormark, Coach Mike Cain, Jessica Varble, Heather Goorley

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Dana Yormark ('05) and Jessica Varble ('03) take a break from playing golf.

Team Song: Too many Wheaties, not enough hips. Head down, butt out. Good miss!

> "This gear was a loc of fan with the mix of newcomers and people who retarned from last gear... we won a couple of matches which is a plas!" -Dana Yorkmark (*05)

"It doesn't matter how good you are, as long as you look good doing It." -Girls Golf Team

Shoot for Your Goals!

THOUGH THEIR RECORD MAY NOT SHOW IT, 2002 WAS DEFINITELY A MEMORABLE SEASON FOR WEST CHICAGO BOYS SOCCER. TEAMWORK AND EVERLASTING MEMORIES MADE UP FOR THE TEAMS' LOSSES. ACCORDING TO SENIOR CARLOS RAMIREZ, THE BEST PART OF SOCCER WAS "GETTING TO KNOW ALL OF THE NEW PLAYERS IN THE TEAM AND LEARNING HOW TO WORK WITH EACH OTHER." WITH 33 PEOPLE IN TOTAL ON THE VARSITY LEVEL AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SEASON, THE COACHES NEEDED TO DROP A FEW PLAYERS TO THE J.V. LEVEL. DESPITE THIS DIFFICULT DECISION BY THE COACHES BOTH TEAMS SHOWED THEIR OUTSTANDING SPORTSMANSHIP AND HAD A GREAT SEASON, LED BY NEW HEAD COACH STEPHEN BRUGMANN AND Assistant Coach Cesar Gomez, the boys began practicing in the hot SUMMER WEEKS PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF SCHOOL. AFTER THE START OF SCHOOL, THE BOYS ARRIVED BEFORE 5 A.M. TO FINESSE THEIR SKILLS AND THEN PRACTICED AGAIN IN THE HEAT OF THE AFTERNOON, THEY MAINTAINED THIS RELENTLESS WORK SCHEDULE WHEN SCHOOL BEGAN, SANDWICHING THEIR CLASSES BETWEEN PRACTICES. "WE TRAINED HARD AND ACCOMPLISHED A LOT," SAID DANIEL BALLINES ('03).

While their season may not have ended with a stellar record, the boys will always have their camaraderie to remember. -Katy Kostal and Mercedes Castro







The team congratulates Varsity Captain Daniel Ballines during senior parent night.

The varsity team prepares for a game by sprinting up and down field.



Jessie Hernandez ('05) tries to head the ball into the goal.



Captain Ryan Masschelin bustshismovestoget the balla

Overall we finished strong. Our Sophomore team finished 2nd or 3rd the conference. Our JV team did well. Varsity level was very young this year. Hopefully next year with more experience something more positive will come out of the season." -Coach Antonio Del Real





Varsity goal keeper Ted Gernand (04) rolls the ball to a teammate.



Varsity Overall Record: 6-12-2 Coach: Stephen Brugmann

Junior Varsity Overall Record: 2-6-4 Coach: Cesar Gomez

Sophomore Overall Record: 15-3-0 Coach: Bob Owens

Freshman Overall Record: 4-8-0 Coaches: Julio Del Real & Antonio Del Real



Victor Lopez ('06) defends the ball against Marmion.



¹ he new head coach Stephen Brugmann gathers his crew to encour-²ge them to go into the game and try their best.



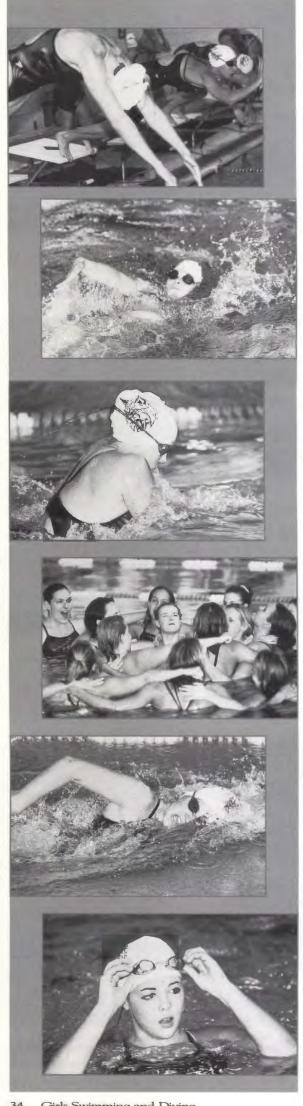
Varsity Front: Manager Amy Lichtfuss, Head Coach Stephen Brugmann, Ted Gernand, Bruce Janek, Asst. Coach Cesar Gomez, Vicente Fernandez, Manager Nicole Strayve 2nd Row: Javier Cruz, Christian Hernandez, Ismael Ferrer, Emmanuel Escobedo, Tyler Hempel, Ernesto Romo, Jose Castellanos, Jaime Martinez 3rd Row: Justin Taylor, Jesmar Rangel, Matthew Peterson, Tom Aguirre, David Aguirre, Paul Reyes, Edward Alvarez 4th Row: Ryan Masschelin, Andrew Kiger, Nicholas Bernard, Daniel Ballines, Carlos Ramirez, Jose Villa, Joshua Jeter Back Row: Brian Romanelli, Derek Jensen, Mike Doll, Donnie Jackson, Dan Callahan, Gilberto Calleros, CJ Wostratzky.



Sophomore Front: Steve Bicek, Coach Robert Owens, Irubiel Ferrer 2nd Row: Victor Lopez, Jon Crotty, Nestor Monroy, Steve Ramirez, Jorge Morales 3rd Row: Marco Campos, Jessie Hernandez, Ignacio Correa, John Doeseckle, Jose Correa, Ryan Woodbury Back Row: Greg Callahan, Dieter Rudolph, Chris Jones, Chris Carrington, Jeff Cisowski.



Freshman Front: Tony McDaniel, Peter Kiger, Coach Antonio Del Real, Steven Ocampo, Martin Castro 2nd Row: Andy Lane, Cesar Ortiz 3rd Row: Jose Salinas, Sergio Sanchez, Edgar Perez, Jorge Alejo, Raul Huerta Back Row: Michael Hernandez, Cesar Salazar, David Amos, Matt Rohn, KC Gronke Not Pictured: Coach Julio Del Real, Alex Soto, Erick Mariano, Omar Galvan, Marco Torres, David Marcelino, Antonio Martinez.



Swimming In the Fast Lane

THE GIRLS' SWIMMING AND DIVING TEAMS SPLASHED INTO SUCCESS FROM DAY ONE. ALTHOUGH O 20 GIRLS JOINED THE SWIM TEAM AND 6 COMPETED ON THE DIVING TEAM, SWIM COACH BRYAN ARTEL HAD DOUBT IN HIS MIND ABOUT THE LADIES' POTENTIAL FOR SUCCESS. "WE DO NOT NEED A BIG TEAM TO GET BIG RESUL ARTEL SAID. "ALTHOUGH OUR TEAM IS SMALL, WE CAN BE JUST AS FAST AS ANY OTHER TEAM."

CAPTAINS EMILY BIANCALANA ('03), MEREDITH KOCH ('03), RACHEL HORVATH ('03) AND JA VAVREK ('04) LED THE TEAM THROUGH THEIR VICTORIOUS SEASON. WITH HARD WORK, DETERMINATION FORTITUDE, THE SWIMMING AND DIVING WILDCATS SHOWED THEIR STYLE IN THE WATER. BY THE TIME DVC SECTIONALS ARRIVED, THE GIRLS WERE FINALLY READY TO PUT THEIR MONTHS OF VIGOROUS TRAINING TO USE. THE DVC MEET, THE TEAM FINISHED FOURTH AT THE VARSITY LEVEL AND FIFTH ON THE JV LEVEL. AT SECTION THEY EARNED A THIRD PLACE FINISH. SIX GIRLS ON TWO RELAY TEAMS AND THREE INDIVIDUALS REALLY 'SWAM IN' AST LANE WHEN THEY QUALIFIED FOR THE STATE MEET.

COMPETING AT THE STATE MEET IN THE 200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY, RACHAEL SLATTERY (U HEATHER CRABBE ('06), KRISTINA SEDIO ('05), AND JACKIE VAVREK ('04) PLACED 7th OVERALL WITH A 1 17 1:49.43. SLATTERY AND VAVREK, ALONG WITH EMILY BIANCALANA AND MISSI SHEME (****), PLACED 4 THE 200-yard freestyle relay, winning All-American honors with a time of 1.37.52. In the individ events, Crabbe qualified in the 200-yard IM and 100-yard breaststroke, Slattery in the 50-y freestyle and 100-yard backstroke, and Vavrek in the 50 and 100-yard freestyle. Overall Vav WHO EARNED ALL- AMERICAN HONORS IN BOTH EVENTS, PLACED SEVENTH IN THE 100 FREE WITH A TIME OF 52and won the 50-yard freestyle with a winning time of 23.41, just $18\ 100$ s of a second away f QUALIFYING FOR THE 2004 OLYMPIC TRIALS. THE TEAM FINISHED NINTH OVER ALL IN THE STATE.

OVERALL, THE LADIES' SWIMMING AND DIVING JOURNEY DEFINITELY WAS ONE NEVER TO FORGET. EACH MADE MANY SACRIFICES TO BE THE BEST SHE COULD BE. MANY NEW RECORDS WERE SET AND MEMORIES WERE M GREAT JOB LADIES

-JESSICA CWIAK ()



Left: Betsy Drzal, Emily Biancalana and Jackie Vavrek take a break from practice.



ight: Sophomores Kristin Sedio and Rachel Slattery model their Sectional suits



"Mustc."

- Jaime Sterne (*05)

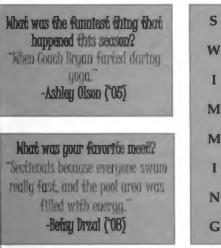
What motivates you before a meet?



Above: The Lady Wildcat swimmers share a ment together before their first meet.

Left: Seniors Horvath, Biancalana, Sheme, D Cwiak & Sagen congratulate each other on a ter

eason at AwardsNight.





The Swim Team takes a quick break for lunch halfway through their 60 mile bike trip The team biked from West Chicago to Algonquin and back a few weeks into the season.

-Kartte Kostel (*06)

Coach Head Bryan Artel is deep in thought about his ladies potential for success at this year's Sectionals.



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A group of Wildcatswimmers relax after a challenging D.V.C. meet and enjoy the moment together.



wimming Front: Julie Shah, Head Coach Bryan Artel, Katie Kostel 2nd Row: Nicole Franz, Rachel Iorvath, Jaime Slerne, Athenna Joyce-Olson, Kristina Sedio 3rd Row: Heather Crabbe, Rachael IcKenney, Rachel Rivera, Ashley Olson, Missi Sheme, Keri Sagen Back: Rachael Slattery, Betsy rzal, Jessica Owiak, Leigh Hellman, Jackie Vavrek, Emily Biancalana, Kelly Mateas



Diving Front: Corrine Coffman, Katherine Patnaude Back: Kate Rehbock, Coach Beth Gottlieb, Liliana Bieniek Not Pictured: Amy Infanger, Meredith Koch.

Top 10 Reasons to Join the Girls Swim Team: 10. Don't worry about those damaging UV sun rays, because you will never see daylight. 9. Get Cool T-shirts. 8. Be Yourself (even if you act all crazy). 7. Have an Excuse for Mood Swings. 6. Get to Meet Lots of Interesting and Unique People. 5. Don't Have to Worry About Shaving Your Legs. 4. Get to Listen to Music During Practice. 3. Get in GREAT Shape. 2. Park in front of the school everyday. 1. Bond with team.

End of the Season Awards: Most Improved -Julie Shah ('05) Rookie of the Year -Heather Crabbe ('06) M.V.P. - Jackie Vavrek ('04) Coaches Award -Rachel Rivera ('04)





Above: Jackie Vavrek ('04) enjoys her victorious moment after winning the 50-Free at the State Meet.

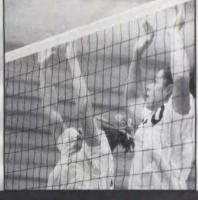
Left. Vavrek ('04), Sedjo ('05), Slattery '05) and Crabbe ('06) show off their 7th place medals from the State Meet.













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Setting New Standard

INTENSITY, COMMUNICATION, DETERMINATION, AND TEAMWORK WERE ALL THINGS A PERSON COULD EXPECT W ATTENDING A GIRLS VOLLEYBALL MATCH. LEAD BY SENIOR CAPTAINS JOANNA SZESZVOKI AND JAM MURPHY, THE TEAM PL FIFTH IN CONFERENCE WITH TWO MEMBERS NABBING ALL-CONFERENCE SPOTS. THE SEASON CULMINATED WITH AN APPEARANCE AT SECOND STACE OF THE REGIONAL TOURNAMENT, ONE MATCH SHY OF BEING NAMED REGIONAL CHAMPS.

SENOR PARENT NIGHT FOR ANY SPORT IS EXCITING, BUT IT WAS AMAZINGLY SPECIAL FOR THE LADY WILDCATS. THEY SH EMERYONE HOW MUCH HEART IT TAKES TO WIN A MATCH WHEN THEY TOOK DOWN THE NUMBER ONE SEED IN THE CONFERENCE, WHE NORTH, COMING IN WITH A STRONG FIRST GAME BUT FALTERING IN THE SECOND, THE GRUS CAME TOGETHER AS A TEAM IN THE T AND ACCOMPLISHED THE UNTHINKABLE - A VICTORY FOR THE TEAM.

More history was made at the Autumn Fest Tournament. Joanna Szeszyck, eventual DVC All-Confe first team, achieved All-Tournament status. The team won the bronze division. Another stellar senior performance from Lindsay Pallsen, as she capted off her West Chicago volleyball career with an All-Conference honorable me

At the fall sports awards north, three other Griss were recognized with awards. Jul Kufta (03) received the Ga Award, Noole Skala (03) was given the Wildcat Award, and Dana Hernan (05) was named Most Improved Pa As the season came to an end, the Lady Wildcats were not yet ready for it to be over. They went into ther Ref Finals with a win against Bartlett but fell one game short of victory against Geneva. The season may have ended s

THAN PLANNED, BUT THE JOURNEY WAS WELL WORTH IT.

-JOANNA SZESZYCKI AND KATY K



What was the most memorable part of the season? "Winning our senior parent night because when we worked as a team, we were unstoppable!" -Jami Marphy (108)



Varsity Front: Coach Kristi Hasty, Assistant Coach Beth Schomig, Jill Kufta, Kelly McCarthy, Sammi Tnarri Kilgore-Manager 2nd Row: Stephanie Bodane, Nicole Skala, Heather Cirone, Jami Murphy F Lindsay Paulsen, Dana Hernan, Elizabeth Jacques, Joanna Szeszycki, Heather Koslow.













V Front: Coach Laurie Murphy, Kristen Rocha, Valerie Grone, Sara Kalkman, Peggy Saul, Head Coach Kristi Jasty 2nd Row: Lauren Krage, Karin Sweas, Yajaira odriguez Back: Sinead Walsh, Alethea Norton, Megan orbrook, Christine Harris.



Sophomore Front: Coach Candace Kairys, Connie Castillo, Head Coach Kris Hasty 2nd Row: Mallory Russo, Emily Timko, Heidi Colliander, Katy Cloutier Back: Alyssa Claude, Bridget Rood, Tania Dorsey.







reshman A Front: Coach Kim Maloney, Head Coach Kristi Iasty 2nd Row: Brittney Peters, Sara Kufta, Maria Macias rd Row: Kelly Mildebrath, Mallory Sanzeri, Marilyn Jacques, Iayla Kramer Back: Kadi Flagg, Shelley Lullo, Jasmin Jelozzi, Lauren Buscemi, Jacqueline Boyd.



Freshman B Front: Coach Heather Goebel, Head Coach Kristi Hasty 2nd Row: Veronica Dorsey, Natalie Russo 3rd Row: Nina Galto, Carol Fortman, Jennifer Wojcicki, Laura Steere, Joanna Smith Back: Dianna Photopulos, Danielle Pappas, Caroline Hein, Laura Conard.





Destination Love



Kim Peterik ('03) uses her backhand to return the ball in hopes of victory.

"Tennis team is lots of fun and you make lots of friends and of course its great when you win your game!" -Andrea Johnson (*04) BEFORE EACH COMPETITION, THE LADY WILDCAT TENNIS PLAYERS ENGAGED IN A RITUAL THAT STUL CAUSES SOME OF THE GIRLS TO GIGGLE AND BLUSH. DESPITE ITS RATIO REMEARRASSING IMPLICATIONS, IT WORKED, DURING A SEASON FOCUSED ON REBUILDING, THE PLAYERS SHOWED A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF IMPROVEMENT FROM LAST YEAR. RUTURNING VARSITY PLAYERS CATHERINE IANNELLO ('03), LEANNA CZERNIK ('03), KRISTA JOHNOON ('04), KIM PETERIK ('03), KATE MCCLINTOCK ('05), ANDREA JOHNSON ('04), BETH TOMS ('05), AND NOORAH KOTA ('03) BROUGHT VALUABLE EXPERIENCE AND SHARED THEIR EXPERTISE WITH NEWCOMERS MANDI WESSMAN ('05), MARY HESTERMAN ('06), AND VANESSA VERGARA ('05).

WITH ALL THE PRACTICES LED BY COACH MOEAK, THE TEAM FORMED STRONG BONDS, BOTH ON AND OFF THE COURT. ON ALL LEVELS, THE PLAYERS WORKED HARD TO IMPROVE AND COMPETE WITH THE HARD TENNIS PLAYERS IN THE DVC. "WE DID BETTER THIS YEAR THAN LAST, AND I'M LOOKING FORWORD TO NEXT! I HOPE THEY WORK HARD IN THE OFF SEASON SO WHEN THEY COME BACK WE WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO PLAY IN THE USTA TOURNMENT," STATED COACH MOEAKL

COACHES TIM MARTIN AND FRED TOMS LED THE JV AND FRESHMEN TEAMS TO MANY SUCCESSES, FINISHING STRONG AT TOURNAMENTS, FROSH-SOPH PLAYER, MARICARAMIN OSORIO STATED, "Our greatest victory was against East Aurora, the whole from SOPH TEAM WON!"

-KRISTA JOHNSON



Noorah Koita ('03) warms up, prep herself for the next match.

"I like tennis because you get to be outside, cheer for your team, and we all share food. It picnics every time we have a game." -Maricarmen Osorio (*05)



Coach Moeaki gives the team a pep talk and a few last mintue pointers.



Mandi Westman ('06), Katie Podzchwit ('06), Emily Saviano ('06), Emily Chadraba ('06), and Vanessa Vergara ('05) take a break from their matches



Mary Hesterman('06) and Krista Johnso take first in Second Doubles.



Vanessa Vergara ('05) keeps her eye on the ball and prepares to make the return.



Front: Patsy Salgado, Jazmine Martinez, Michelle Krueger, Emily Saviano, Amanda Wessman. 2nd Row: Justine Egert, Assistant Coach Tim Martin, Head coach Sione Moeaki, Assistant Coach Fred Toms, Crystal Arias. 3rd Row: Jessica Day, Denise Almaraz, Amanda Neal, Maricarmen Osorio, Angela Cordero, Megan Keefe. 4th Row: Ashley Rawls, Amanda Schwinn, Deborah Corson, Bethany Toms, Vanessa Vergara, Sarah Kuna, Catherine Taylor. 5th Row: Andrea Johnson, Noorah Koita, Catherine Iannello, Ashley Egert, Kathryn Podschwit, Lauren Bertram. Back: Emily Chadraba, Katherine McClintock, Leanna Czernik, Kelsey Lesniak, Kim Peterik, Krista Johnson, Mary Hesterman.



Beth Toms('05) strategically places th to help her win her match.

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Susan Lincoln (03), Bran Colaborse 1031 and Kim Poterik (03) mester their outfits for Day Two of the contest.

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Ashley Mazzola (03) comes to school as the most famous veindeer of them all Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeen



Ashley Mazzola (03) finally finds Adilone Chases (03) and gets her signature for Day Theo

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What would you do for a parking space? Sing a Christmas carol in Commons facing a crowd of people? Dress up as your favorite Christmas character for an entire school day? This is what students that entered the contest, "Survive the Challenge," had to face in order to win a parking space for a month.

The Yearbook Staff organized the contest to see how involved Wildcat students would get for a parking space, a race commodity at Community High School During the week before winter break, each participant had to complete a certain task each day to qualify for the next round.

Monday and Tuesday included a day of donating to the community: ten nonperishable items for VICA's food drive and three toys for the NHS toy drive After the first task was announced, only five of the original participants continued the contest. On Wednesday, the remaining five participants came to school dressed as their favorite Christmas characters. On Thursday they had to search the entire school in order to get all signatures from all Yearbook Staff. Senior Ashley Mazzola did an outstanding job of getting every signature as well as Mrs. Santella's, the yearbook advisor. It all came down to Friday when the winner would be chosen. Their last task before the final decision was to sing in Commons Realizing the embarrassment of such an act, Senior Brian Calabrese dropped out of the contest. It was all up to the ladies now.

Mazzola, with an outstanding performance of Elvis Presley singing "Here comes Santa Claus," won this year's contest.

-Maricarmen Osorio



Here's Ashley Mazzela (CB) resur rected as the one and only Elvis Prestery



hunt to get all signatures from the "Here Comes Santa Claus" Yeurbok Staff.

Brian Calabrese 1031 on a scavenger Ashley Mazzola 1031 gets down and dances to her chosen Christmus song

















Catch the

PEP CLUE SHARING THEIR ENTHUSIASM FOR COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL'S SPORTS TEAMS, THE PEP CLUB ORGANIZED MORE THAN FIVE PEP ASSEMBLIES DURING THE 2002/2003 SCHOOL YEAR. THEY EVEN PLANNED A SPECIAL ASSEMBLY TO HONOR FALL SPORTS THAT WERE EXTENDING THEIR SEASON, NOTABLY THE FOOTBALL, VOL-LEYBALL, AND CROSS COUNTRY TEAMS. PEP CLUB ALSO DESIGNED THOSE INCREDIBLY ARTISTIC SIGNS PLASTERED ALL OVER THE SCHOOL ENCOURAGING WILDCAT FANS TO ATTEND GAMES.

-LILI CASSIDY



Pep Club consists of football/basketball cheerle ers, poms, soccer/wrestling cheerleaders, and of students who help to keep the high spirits rol during each season of the year.



Varsity Football Cheerleaders get the croud pumped up as they give the football players an introduction to remember!

Poms: Hours of practicing hard in the summer helped Poms to earn second place overall after several competitions at North Central College. They also achieved 7th place at a competition at Six Flags Great America. Poms continued to show We-Go their award winning routines during the football and basketball games. "All the hours and days of hard work and dedication, really payed off when we hear the crowd cheering for us when we walk off the field," said Captain Hope Vock (103). -Lill Cassidy





Left: Emily Gehrke (scans the crowd for wildest fans, as she ke the crowd going showing off her spi



The Sophomore sq shows off all their h work during half tim

Left: Shaila Shallo ('04) encourages crowd to get up and rowdy at the pep r during football seas



FrontRow:CourtneyMathias,MollyKnaak,AmandaH Caitlin Riermaier, Brittany Boehm, Emily Gehrke. S Row: Jill Novak,Melanie Stone, Jamie Hall, Sarah Woo Martin. Third row: Emily Doll, Kim Mueller, Hope Kelly Williams, Nicole Brown.





Front: Jonie Vlach, Margaret Wolowiarz, Beth Kipp, Kelly Siekmann, Megan Shane. Second Row: Shaila Shallcross, Nikki Schar, Laura Wheeland, Sarah Assian, Norah McAvoy, Lindsay Nash. Third Row: Bridgette Sanzeni, Kirsten Goranson, Christina Orda, Lauren Mroz, Stephanie Hicks, AmandaKvasnicka, Stephanie Geissman.



Front: Kate Rehbock, Vicki Lawn, Alyssa Giliberto. Second Row: Lindsay Pater, Christina Mazzone, Lana Paulsen, Paula Mazzola. Third Row: Marisa Pavone, Jessica Boyd, Cassidy Schuyler, Lilli Cassidy.



Ront Christina Orda, Kelly Siekmann, Nicole Schar, Margaret Wdowiarz, Lindsay Nash. Second Row: Jorie Vlach, Lauren Mroz, Norah McAvoy, and Stephanie Hicks. Third Row: Bridgette Sanzeri, Beth Kipp, Sarah Assian, Laura Wheeland, Shaila Shallcross. Forth Row: Kirsten Goranson, Megan Shane, Stephanie Geissman, Amanda Kvasnicka.



Front: Vanessa Vergara, Alyssa Giliberto, Lindsay Pater. Second Row: Jamie Klingberg, Cassidy Schuyler, Paula Mazzola, Lilli Cassidy. Third Row: Vicki Lawn, Jessica Boyd, and Marisa Pavone.



Front: Katie Desik, Kristen Redden, Julie Polz, Nina Slater, Lena Gomez, Lindsey Stern. Second Row: Danielle Zirbes, Jessica Morrison, Leny Escobedo, Becky Eagels, Rebecca Kimber. Third Row: Jenna Pelej, Sam Kleczewski, Linsey Perez, Jennifer Kammes, Melissa Deutsch, Kristy Skogsberg, Lindsey Doerr.



Front: Melissa Deutsch, Kristen Redden, Molly Ogrin, Alicia Leonhardt, Jennifer Kammes. Second Row: Jessica Spaniol, NinaSlater, Maria Espinoza, Jessica Morrison, Sabrina Potirala. Third Row: Katie Desik, Rebecca Eagels, Samantha Kleczewski, and Rebecca Kimber.

CHEERLEADING: WITH THEIR SCHOOL PRIDE AND UNIQUE DANCE ROUTINES, WE-GO'S CHEERLEADERS INSPIRED SPECTATORS TO SUPPORT THEIR TEAMS THROUGHOUT A SCHOOL YEAR MARKEDBY ATHLETIC SUCCESS. DURING THE HOMECOMING PEPRALLY, THE FOOTBALLAND SOCCER CHEERLEADERS UNITED AND PERFORMED A CHEER THAT INCLUDED ALL OF THE HOMECOMING SUPERHEROES.



HORNS UP!







T BEGAN FOR THE BAND AND COLORGUARD IN THE SWELTERING DAYS OF AUGUST WITH A WEEK OF BAND CAMP. THEY SPENT SIX HOURS A DAY FOR FIVE DAYS LEARNING MARCHING TECHNIQUE, MUSIC, CHARTS, AND ROUTINES ALL IN PREPARATION FOR THE SHOW, CARMEN. THE WEEK OF SOUND, SUNGLASSES, AND SUNBLOCK CULMINATED WITH A POOL PARTY.

AH, THEY THOUGHT, 'TIS MARCHING SEASON AGAIN! THE 2003 YEAR BROUGHT ONE MAJOR CHANGE TO THE WEST CHICAGO BAND: COMPETITION, THE MARCHING WILDCATS EARNED SECOND PLACE AT ST. RITA'S MARCHING BAND COMPETITION. THEY NARROWLY MISSED FIRST PLACE BY FRACTIONS OF POINTS WHEN THE SCORES WERE RELEASED.

TAKING THEIR AWARD-WINNING Famous Band Quotes, Phrases, and SHOW ON THE ROAD LED THEM TO THE FEEDER SCHOOLS FOR THE AN-NUAL MARCHING SHOWCASE PER-FORMANCES WHERE THEY PER-FORMED THE FIELD SHOW AND PEP BAND MUSIC. NOT ONLY DID THEY ENTERTAIN, MORE IMPORTANTLY, "NO PANIST" "Land of a Thousand Dances'" is the new -KATY KOSTAL

Sentiments "We don't have a lot of time, so everybody take off your pants." -Mr. Guter "No hacky sack, no cards." -Mr. Guter "Get out of here!" -Mr. Guter "Listen to me, NOT GUTER." -Drum Major Melissa Lund (*03) school song!"



Assistant Band Director Mr. Far lends a helping hand to Band I tor Mr. Guter.



Band officers make like cheerk and form a pyramid, smiling h they collapse.







The Marching Band stands at attention as they walk off the field after performing their field show Carmen during halftime at a home football game.







Senior band members apolog their prank with this sign to Mr.





The complete Marching Band including Color Guard stand in formation at the annual Marching Band Showcase held at the end of the season for friends, family, and fans of participants to come and watch.



Drum Major Melissa Lund lays across the arms of Assistant Drum Majors Katie Taylor and Sam West.



Color Guard members pose in their *Carmen* costumes designed to add flare to the show.



Captain Sarah Hammer, Assistant Captain Jessi Crockatt, and Captain Heather Coakley.



Color Guard Instructor Mrs. Troy helps organize the group at a home football game.







Kim Rovtar ('04) accompanies the choir in the first concert of the 2002-2003 year.

Separate Paths

CONCERN ABOUNDED EARLIER THIS YEAR AS TO WHAT WOULD HAPPEN WHEN OVER 100 BAND MEMBERS ATTEMPTED TO TAKE THE STAGE DURING CONCERTS. THANKFULLY, LIKE TWO PATHS DIVERGING IN A WOOD, SPLITTING THE BAND INTO A DUO OF MUSICALITY SOLVED THE PROBLEM.

None of this could have been possible without We-Go Alumni Brandon Fantozzi taking over the duties of Mr. Guter for the second band. The split put pressure on each musician to play to the best of his or her abilities, but it wasn't all notes and breaths. The split had to be decided upon in a just manner. Therefore, lower chairs could challenge peers for their spots in the band. Adding a competitive edge to the class seemed to enhance the players' technique.

NOTABLE PERFORMANCES INCLUDED A SOLO FEST IN "JUST A CLOSER WALK WITH THEE," A SOLO FOR MELISSA LUND ON FRENCH HORN IN "MORCEAU DE CONCERT," "NESSUM DORMA" WITH NICK CHILLEMI ON TROMBONE, AND "ALSO SPRACH ZARATHUSTRA," THE THEME FROM 2001: A SPACE ODYSSEY. "I CAN'T PLAY THAT SONG WITHOUT LAUGHING," SAID CJ WOSTRATZKY ('03).

THE BAND WENT TO COMPETE IN THE ST. LOUIS MUSIC FESTIVAL IN MAY. AS USUAL, THEY TOOK HOME MANY TROPHIES.

The last finale for seniors came at graduation, where they took up instruments one last time under the direction of Mr. Guter, but for once did not play "Pomp and Circumstance" - twenty times over.





Brian Steere ('03) belts out "Ju Closer Walk With Thee" on euphonium.

-KATY KOSTAL



Tm...too sexy for my poncho. too sexy for my jacket, too sexy for my pants, too sexy for my flip folder." -Taylor Alperin ('06)

"That's not a word, that's Italian!" -Gabe Pinto ('04)



The West Chicago Concert Band



The West Chicago Jazz Band



Fellow alum Hans Moscicke ('03) adds some cowbell to his solo, eventually earning him recognition at the New Trier Jazz Fest.



Nick Chillemi ('03) plays the trombone for the Jazz Band during an exhibition concert for the faculty.



Winfield percussion alum Nils Higdon ('04) concentrates on his vibes.



Band President Melissa Lund ('03) keeps the beat with the bass.

"The best part about band was the all-out war between the classes during the Christmas decorating. Between the wrapping-paper walls, hanging sleds, Christmas twigs, and millions of lights, we managed to get through rehearsals!" -Salome Yigzaw (104)

Memorable Moments in West Chicago Jazz:

-Jazz Band (5th) and Combo (4th) receiving Superior Ratings at the 26th Annual North Shore Jazz Fest -Hans Moscicke ('03) and Rick Camp ('04) gaining recognition for their solos at the New Trier Jazz Fest -The Jazz Combo's performance of "The Chemistry Theme" at the final concert



Theresa McEvoy ('03) knows how to play "All That Jazz" on her trombone.



Peter Mantz ('04) joins the jazz band for his first year as the guitarist, and boy does he look the part.

Classical Cats

Community High School's Orchestra hit all the right notes when they performed at this year's Fall and Holday Concerts. They had great turnouts, and the audience members left with smiles on their faces. The 2002-2003 Orchestra members enchanted listeners as they performed music from the baroque, classical, and romantic periods. But when they started to play music from the 20^{n} century, they really livened up the crowd.

DURING HER SECOND YEAR LEADING, MRS. BRANCH HAS SHOWN DEDICA-TION. SHE HAS PUT IN A LOT OF TIME AND EFFORT INTO HER STUDENTS, AND STRIVED TO IMPROVE PERFORMANCES.

"Last year was my first year as the orchestra director and so it took a while for both me and the students to get used to each other before they could really play well. But this year it seemed as if by the end of the first practice they were sounding better. They started improving right away," commented Mrs. Branch on the students' improvements.

Although there are only eighteen members in this group, they all bring their own uniqueness to the orchestra. "This year is great. We have a wonderful group of seniors that I will be sad to lose. We have a tiny group of freshmen but they are really fun to work with. They are all a lot of fun," said Branch.

-Adriana Vargas



All 18 members relax into their poses after a great performance. Their selections ranged from technically challenging to musically difficult.



Left: The girls play and jump around at one of their orchesta parties.



Mrs. Branch focuses on maintaining contact with pupils as she leads the orchestra.



The string section of the orchestra performs at the Holi Concert.

What do you enjoy most about being in orchestra? Why did you decide to joi. orchestra?

"The orchestra partiest" -Meltssa Lund (*08) "New and good music." -Carrt Wastratzky (*05) "Qualtty people." -Jeff Hansen (*04)

What are some advantages of being in Orchestra?

"In school field **tr**ips." -Carg Coffman (*05) "More exciting than math." -Marium Koch (*05) "Challenging but easy at the same time." -Rachel Bedinar (*05) "To be with my friends." -Carri Wostratzky (*05) "Because orchestra needs people what

-Meltssa Lund (*08) "H's so much fun it shouldn't be all -Jeff Hansen (*04)

What is your most memoral, experience from orchestral

"Going to Disney World...oh wait the the band!" -Merium Koch (*05) "When Brian got locked in the w closet." -Carri Wastratzky (*05)

46 Orchestra





Left: Mike Treachlor ('03) performs flawlessly.

Top: Mrs. Branch conducts with passion.

Right: Brittany Boehm ('04) plays the cello.





ill Musick ('05) concentrates as she performs like a natural it the Holiday Concert.



Michelle Del Valle ('06) pays attention at practice to make sure she will play perfectly at her next perfomance.



etsy Drzal ('03) and Samantha Kimber ('03) perform as one as they play their instruments in synchronicity.



The string section tunes up the **ins**truments before they can perform for the anxiously awaiting audience.



Left: The Fall Concert program informs the audience of the musical selections. Right: A note sheet displays the music from the baroque period.





FROM THE FIRST NOTE TO THE LAST, THE MUSIC CAME ALIVE WHEN THE WE-GO CHOIR BEGAN TO SING. WITH A NEW DIRECTOR, AN ADDITIONAL CONCERT, AND A NEW FORMAT FOR THE HOLIDAY CONCERT, WEST CHICAGO'S FOUR CHOIRS WERE READY TO SING AND ENTERTAIN. WITH THE ADDITION OF A NEW CONCERT TO THEIR SCHEDULES, THE CHOIRS MEMBERS NEEDED TO BE READY FOR ANYTHING. THE MAN BEHIND THE CHOIR IS A FORMER WILDCAT STUDENT, BRANDON FANTOZZI.

The choirs started off the year with a Fall concert. Here, each choir sang a couple of selections for everyone to hear. THE CHOIRS SANG SONGS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD, IN MANY DIFFERENT LANGUAGES.

The Next Journey took 15 students to North Aurora High School to Audition for the District 9 choir. After an EXTREMELY LONG DAY OF SCHOOL, THESE STUDENTS PILED ONTO A BUS AND WENT OFF TO TEST THEIR TALENT AT AUDITIONS. SOPRANOS SUSAN LINCOLN (*03) AND PEGGY WERLE (*04), ALTOS BROOKE BACHELOR (*04), JENNY BUCHMAN (*04), AND LIZ VALDEZ (*03), TENOR Mike Treachler ('03) and Sean Warren ('03) all made it to the district level. They performed later in the year in a CHOIR CONISISTING OF ABOUT 300 OTHER STUDENTS FROM OTHER SCHOOLS.

As the journey lengthened, the choir faced more challenges. Later in the year, Brooke Bachelor and Mike Treachler FOUND OUT THAT THEIR SCORES FOR THEIR AUDITION WERE GOOD ENOUGH FOR THEM TO MAKE THE STATE CHOIR. THE CHOIRS PERFORMED THREE MORE CONCERTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

-SEAN WARREN, PATTY CARNOMA, AND ADELENE CHAVEZ



Mr. Brandon Fantozzi speaks to audience as the next choir prep to sing.



The Mixed Choir poses for a group picture before their first The Women's Choral consists of girls ranging from sor performance. The Mixed Choir is a combination of all first more year to senior year. year choir students.





The men from the Mixed Choir sing Mr. Ron Bennor, the Choir's accompatheir tenor and bass parts.



nist, plays along with the Women's Choral. - The way of the

Hilary Tennant ('05) prepare her concert by grabbing the near stole.

48 Choir



he Concert Choir stands in their mixed formation awaitng their first concert. They performed three different ongs, including one in Italian, "O Bella Fusa"!



The Chamber Choir, the smallest singing group, begins the first concert. Singing a capella, and sounds Molto Buono (very good)!



The Girls Ensemble sings an old favorite, "Somewhere Over the Rainbow." They complimented the song by ooking like a rainbow with their brightly colored shirts.



Peggy Werle ('04), Jesse Lord('03), Cassy Peletis('05), and Jenny Buchman ('04) of the Chamber Choirs sing for people coming into the concert.



The Women's Choral sings at the Holiday Concert on Sunday, December 15.

WELMS LIDRARY

"It's a lot of fun, and I love to sing in concerts and travel."

"I like to express my talent and be able to meet new people."

"Joining choir didn't change me much but I enjoy going to choir everyday to have fum." On the road of LIFE, EIGHTH GRADERS BECOME FRESHMEN, AND FRESHMEN BECOME SOPHOMORES. It is a cycle that is destined to continue forever. But what makes freshmen year so special and so memorable? The Class of 2006 received their first taste of high school life in the Fall of 2002. They tasted the freedom, the fear, and the power. Most of the 558 freshmen couldn't wait to become upperclassmen and share the power they see their peers yield. Athletic success helped increase the school's spirit this year. The year of athletics started off with the football team making it to playoffs for the first time in 24 years. Then, to make things all the better, the basketball team made it to the sectional championship for the first time in 43 years! Having such exhilarating events occur in their first year of high school guaranteed the commitment of the Class of 2006 to Community High School.

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"I THINK THE BEST PART OF THE YEAR WAS JUST BEING PART OF A TEAM," SAID VINCE PETRONZIO, A MEMBER OF THE FOOTBALL TEAM.

What do freshmen look forward to? In two or three years, freshmen will be old enough to drive. They will share the joy of getting up at six a.m. to find parking. Until then, they may depend upon their parents, family, or the BUS.

WITH SO MUCH HAPPENING AT WEST CHICAGO IN THEIR FIRST YEAR, THE FRESHMEN CLASS OF 2006 FELT ANXIOUS AND EXCITED TO FILL THE SHOES OF THEIR PREDECESSORS. -BOB VONDRASH



Ashley Gruber registers on the first day of school.



Lauren Buscemi plays the Frozen T-Shirt game at Midnight Madness.

Gwen Murphy runs her best tor to finish line.



A.J. Mendoza supports the Wi at a football game.





Crystal Arias and Jose Juan Salinas dance one last song at the Homecoming dance.

Amy Ackerman Andres Acosta Anisoara Aguilar Alejandra Alegria Jorge Alejo

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Alonso Alfaro Gildardo Allende Taylor Alperin Jaime Altamirano David Amos





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"Did you know that if monkeys could fly...The zoo would have to clip their wings." -Tyler Dameron



Jesse Avalos Samuel Avalos Amy Axelrod Veronica Ayala Danielle Baker

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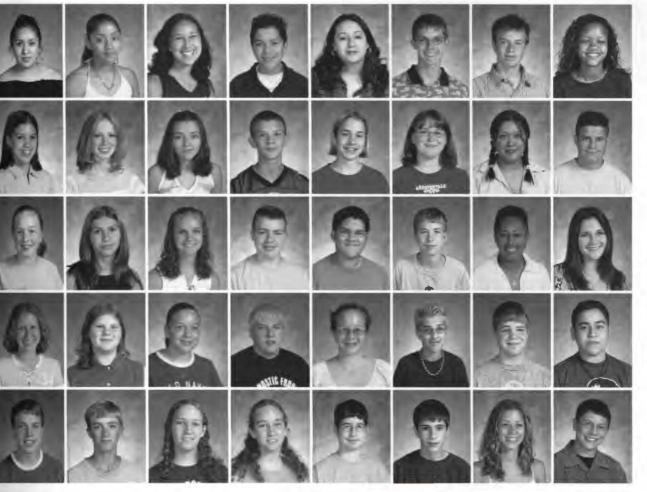
Crystal Arias Blair Arlington Brandi Arwood





Travis Saville dresses as a farmer to spirit on Halloween.

50 Freshmen



Julisa Ballines Vareliana Ballines Rachel Balmaseda Tony Balsman Aide Barajas Quin Barclay Joel Barker Amanda Bass

Jennafer Bedard Claire Beeks Jessica Bejar Steven Benson Joffrey Benter Amber Bergmann Jeannette Bermudez John Besch

Katie Birkey Carolyn Blackman Brittany Blanchard Charles Blanchard Jose Blanco Matthew Bolton Audrina Booker Stephanie Borchardt

Jacqueline Boyd Jamie Boyer Andrea Bradley Raymond Braunshausen Alexandra Breinig Brian Brewster Mitchell Bridges Emmanuel Briseno

Daniel Brogan Eric Brown Heather Brugoto Sarah Brugoto James Burke **Ryan Burlison** Lauren Buscemi Nathan Butters

"This year is going really fast! I can't remember the date." -Janeth Carrasco



"I love ships, but the one I love the most is friendships." -Guadalupe Correa

"When you don't know what's going on, just smile and nod your head. -Ashley Vargas

Frank Deblasio Thomas Delegge Maria Delgado Noemi Delgado Amanda Demes Fiona Demiri Carly Demitropoulos Daniel Dennis

Stephanie Diodonet Christopher Dolan Lluvia Dominguez Robert Doremus Veronica Dorsey Gregory Dunn Miguel Duran Sara Duran

Daniel Dyrda Sara Earhart Michael Eberlein Justine Egert Jennifer Elliott James Erickson Esmeralda Escalante Marlene Escalona

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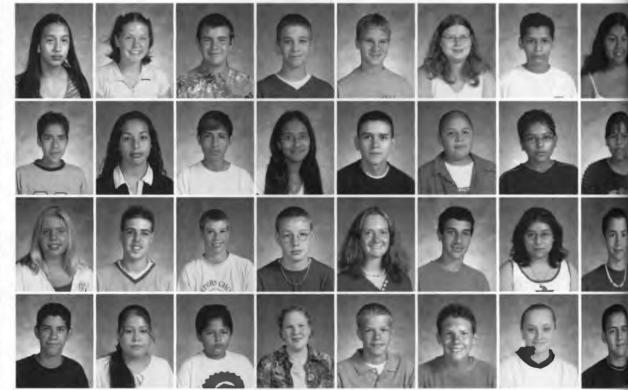
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Katie Gargula Christopher Gates Patrick Geissman Michael Gfrorer Sara Gibbons Steven Glinka Anayeli Gonzalez Nicholas Gorski

Carlos Granados Maira Granados Miguel Granados Laura Gray Kevin Grobe Keith Gronke Ashley Gruber Bruce Guevara



"The time I spent was too short, for I have enjoyed being a Freshman." -Tony Balsman

52 Freshmen

think that freshmen are the coolest people around because we can come up with the coolest excuses." -Noemi Delgado



"I think school is cool but getting up and coming to school is the hardest thing I will ever try to dol" -Guadalupe Arellano



Pamela Guevara Benjamin Gutirrez Jessica Guzman Martha Guzman Mark Halberg Eliza Hamilton Jay Hammock Anthony Harris

Kayla Harris Brianna Harte Ismail Hassan Robert Hawco Caroline Hein Stephanie Hendron Jerry Henning Jose Hernandez

Julio Hernandez Michael Hernandez Phillip Hernandez Zayra Hernandez Michelle Heron Jose Herrera Mary Hesterman Kyle Hobday

Matthew Hodge Daniel Hoshaw Patrick Howe Raul Huerta Danielle Hughes Brienna Hunter Bethany Inch Masha Ishkov

"Real friends are the ones you have the most fun with and the ones you can trust no matter what!" -Jamie Schmidt

"Seniors seem so tough and talk a lot of smack! But they were freshmen once!" -Janette Gonzalez

Bethany Lamping Andrew Lane Meghan Larson Eric Lauer Samantha Lawson Miguel Leal Kenneth Leindecker Alicia Leonhardt

Kelsey Lesniak Janette Leveille Tasha Lillie Jessica Limbrick Miles Lincoln Eric Lindner Whitney Link Jennifer Linsenmeyer

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How was your first day as a freshman?

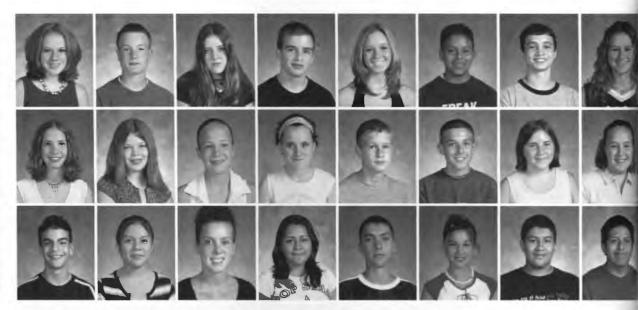
"I was very excited and I was very nervous because I couldn't find my classes and my friends." -Nancy Orbiz

"I was scared on the first day because there was a lot of people in the halls." -Marta Delgado



Kelly Mateas Anthony McDaniel Oscar Medina Jordan Meissner Dolores Melgoza Kevin Memoli Ricardo Mendez A.J. Mendoza

Mayra Mendoza Steven Migliorato Kelly Mildebrath Jacob Miller Terri Molo Joseph Morabito Haleigh Moreno Victoria Moungkhounsavath





Above: Crystal Arias and Jessica Bahrenburg singing at a choir concert. Right: Jazmine Martinez, Tori Sagen, and Angie Panozzo at the Homecoming dance.





"Being a freshman gives me the opportunity to meet new people and go to parties. -Diana Solis

54 Freshmen

"No matter what anybody says I am the most smartest person alive. But not as smart as the Seniors!" -Tony McDaniel





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Left: A.J. Mendoza takes one for the team at the Pep Rally tugo-war.

Above: Cheering on the team. Ashley Vargas shows her spirit at the Pep Rally.

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Diana Munoz Maria Munoz Sonia Munoz Gwendolyn Murphy Shannon Myers Amanda Neal **Jessica** Neihoff Dung Nguyen

Marisa Nichols Mariel Nieto Jorge Nieves Nicholas Nolte **Kimberly Norman** Matthew Nowaczewski Adrian Ocampo Nathan Oelslager

Molly Ogrin Tracy Opel Cristian Ortiz Nancy Ortiz Maria Osorio Mallorie Ott Lourdes Padilla Yulehimy Palacios

"What is your goal for this uear?"

"My goal for this year is to focus on school and try not to get distracted by my friends." -Esperelda Perez

My goal is to get the chance to meet new people and not be so shy and quiet." -Isabel Vargas

Angelina Panozzo Danielle Pappas Jessica Pedraza Vince Peduzzi Samantha Peebles Stephanie Pekich Jonathan Perdue Adriana Perez

Luis Perez Martha Perez Salvador Perez **Brittney Peters** Vincent Petronzio Michael Petrusaitis Lesley Pfeifer Dianna Photopulos

Ryan Pinto Harry Podschwit **Timothy Polacek** Lawrence Pope Ashley Portretow Katie Quarto Sarahi Quiroz Francisca Ramirez



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Martin Ramirez Miguel Ramirez Eileen Reedy Brenda Resendiz Angelica Reyes Katherine Roberts Dennis Rocha Matthew Rohn

Kyle Rohrdanz Danielle Romano Brittany Rose Kathia Rubio Brian Russell Natalie Russo Victoria Sagen Victor Salazar

Jose Salinas Jose Salinas Carlos Sanchez Estefany Sanchez Natasha Sansone Pedro Santana

Lauren Santelli Alany Santillan Mallory Sanzeri Travis Saville Ashley Schadeberg Jamie Schmidt

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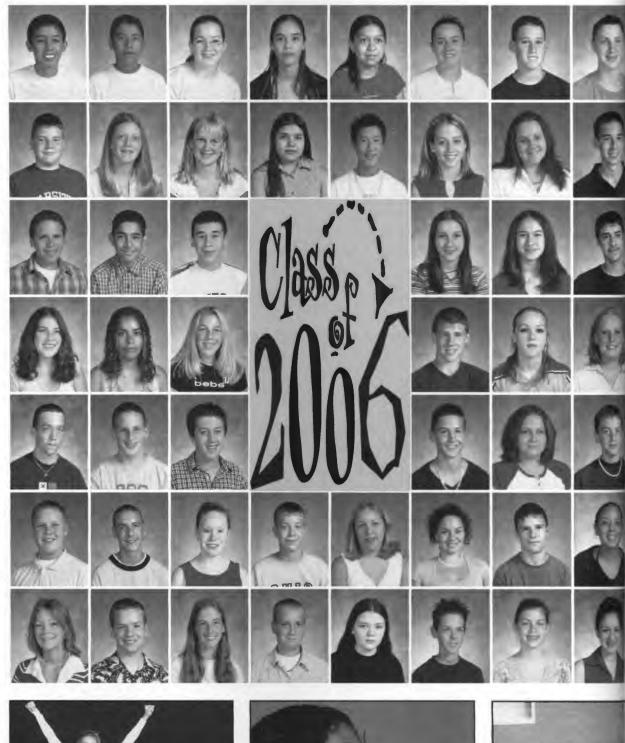
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What is the most memorable moment of 2002-2008? "I liked the experience of how the school is arranged to have classes with different class ranks. My classes are more fun now!" -Evan Perez



"I loved how the year started where every freshman tried to help each other. Now 1 will miss all my friends from before an that 1 meet this year." -Marta Espinoza







"Everyday of school seemed to go really slow, now that I think back on it school was going too fast. Now I want to go back and take my time in some things I wanted to finish." -Cesar Correa



What made the year interesting to you? "I liked how the principal let us p Playstation in school at the cafet for like a week!" -Carlos Sanchez

"My year in High School was very boring but sometimes it was exciting depending who I would talk to and who would want to hang with me. Classes were boring but the experience of being a freshman was alright." -Gilbert Garcta



Has this year taught you anything? "Yes, it has taught me that school

res, it has taught me that school can be hard sometimes if you fall behind. Responsibillity is the main word to describe my High School year." -Claudia Cabral







Nhat kinds of things would you change about this year? "I would want to have a longer lunch time and to have less classes. That will never happen. This year seemed to be easy." -Martha Perez



"What kinds of new things did you do this year? "I got the chance to be part of the lady Wildcats basketball team. I tried my hardest and had a lot of fan playing with a great team!" -Vareliana Balliines

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Winter Weather Advisory Expect Delays





Winter is the time of year when we all try to go into hibernation. For good reason ju getting out of bed each day can be a challenge. The cold, dark journey continues all the w to school. Through the miserable walk from the Kerr McGee parking lot, through the class and work given daily, and through the sport and club commitments, somehow we survive, w the winter of 2003 was no exception.

As the bitter cold weather lasted through the long winter months, it gave us time crack down and get our schoolwork done. Everyone seemed to be getting ready for first semefinals or trying to finish up last minute projects. For students, winter break seemed out of me with all the work assigned. The last week before break was one of the hardest to bear, so do to two weeks of freedom.

Even with the threat of war in the air, people continued to make plans for winter by Some people filled their time with dreamy Hawaiian vacations or luxinious cruises to be Bahamas with the intent of working on their tans. The rest of us stayed here, at home, so working out and staying in condition, while others slept and enjoyed their time off.

Sadly, winter break and the good memories passed too quickly. Second semester brown us reassurance that we could make it, with only a few months left until summer break. Bee we knew it, Valentines were being handed out. The Sophomore Student Council me fundraiser called "Tve Got a Crush on You." Students who donated two dollars were able to be cans of Crush delivered to their special someone.

The winter season for Boys' Basketball, Girls' Basketball, Boys' Swimming, and Wrest drew to an end, and finally Spring was in sight.

-Krissy





Roger Maritote ('04) performs a chemistry experiment in front of the class.

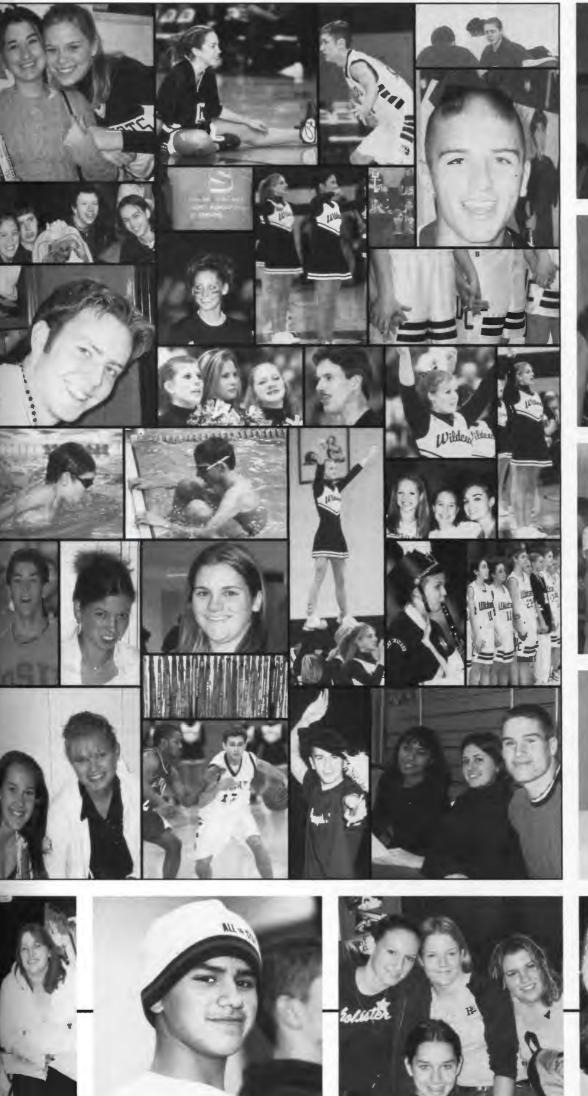


Courtney Mathias ("peps up the crowd.



















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Breath Taking Moves

Let go, feel the chythin, and dance. To many dancing is a way to express themselves in their own unique way. "Dance is motion, so just swing free," said Katy Kostal (inter The girls involved in Dance Production enjoyed the emblemation of performing, their annual show "Lights, Cumum, Dance" for their audience.

The show was only part of the action. What happened backstage proved to be even more hectic as the girls struggled to change costumes between dances in less than two minutes.

Dance Production was not always fun and games. The dancees put a great deal of time and affort in perfecting their dance continer, but in the end it all turned out for the best. Lettecia Cruz (We



North McAvoy ('03) struts here while performing "Signs of Pride her American Flag dress.



Front: Molly Knaak, Melanie Stone, Lourdes Tlatehui, Luzmaria Tlatehui Emily Doll, Lindsay Nash, Heather Goorley, Hope Vock, Jenna Bedard, Katie Desik First: Tatiana Podstavkova, Brittany Boehm, Califlin Riermaler Jill Novak, Lisa Martin, Megan Keefe, Jessi Crockatt, Courtney Mathias, Kaltlyn McAvoy, Back: Marlene Uy, Mary Turnquist, Michelle Heron, Katy Kostal, Norah, McAvoy, Allison Danes, Emily Gehrke, Claire Beeks



Lindsay Nash ('04) leads the judance, "Boys," with Juniors Me Stone, Brittany Boehm, Coun Mathias, Jill Novak, and Marlene



Sophomore Emily Doll similes and reaches out to the audience, while performing "Music Box."



Caitlin Riermaier ('05) displays her talent during her performance.



LuzmariaTlatehui (*03) dances to room/Latin Dance," with her sp guest Lais Perez (*06).

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marthesestylish hairstyles. Kaitlyn McAvoy 31 and Norah McAvoy ('03) show off their huude and sisterly love for the night.

What was the funniest moment of the night?

"Watching people randomig fail especially during the finale." -Courtney Mathias (*04)

"Heather patting on her pants and gelling, "These area t my pants." -Molly Knaak (*04)



Jenna Bedard, Michelle Heron, and Claire Beeks perform "Like I Love You" and put on a spectacular show for their audience.



indsay Nash ('04), Jill Novak ('04), and Britany Boehm ('04), dance with enthusiasm for heir crowd.



Hope Vock ('05), Emily Doll ('05), and Melanie Stone ('04) perform "Musichox."



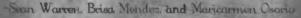
The girls show off their hard work, dedication, and skill for the Thursday and Saturday night performances of "Vogue."



Reality Strikes.

With a cast of 32 members, many new to the stage, *Climpses* offered a youthful and energized glimpse into adolescent life. Relating the trials and tribulations of teen experiences to the audience proved to be a difficult task for the actors, but after Ms. Haferteps revised the script, the production evolved into a huge success.

When Ms Hafectepe the play's director, first and the Climpses script, she didn't feel that the entire play was appropriate for this school and this cast. The original Climpses consisted of a series of skits by transfers that focused on issues such as drugs, prejudice, racism and relationships. Ms Hafectepe decided to combine Climpses with two other plays to make the West Chicago version of Climpses maque. With thuse additions, Climpses consisted of seventeen different skits, but Ms Hafertepe still wasn't finished with her revisions. She then allowed the cast to put their voices into the play by writing their own manologues about their lives and problems. These monologues served as the transitions between scenes in the play.





Brad Bytof ('04) demonstrates the pm way makeup should be put on, backsta





Brittany Rose ('06) and Tiffany Nitti ('05) discuss the challenges teens have to face in order to fit in.

Brenda Chavez ('05) expresses her irritation with her boyfriend DeLegge ('06).





Adrienne Sanchez ('05), Tnarri Kilgore ('04), and Natasha Sansone ('06) talk about misconceptions.



Tiffany Nitti ('05) and Aida Hernandez ('06) comfort Brad Bytel as he describes his problems.

G L I M P S E S



aillyn McAvoy ('05) reads her woologue of her dreams and wils: Justin Horwitz ('05) complains about the obstacles teens face with their parents.

dat is the best part of being in Glimpses?

Notice that all of as got to act our ages and show others what things teens go through everydag... made it fam and culogable for the whole cast." -Mallory Rasso (105)

no withe play gave me a chance to meet repuple while doing something that I love."

-Britishany Rose (*06)



nttany Rose ('06) listens attenvely as Maritza Gonzalez ('05) ads her monologue. "The entire cust was just a blast to be around and we got to create a show that had something for everyone... Brod flipping off the crowd was not bad either." -Julie Evans (105)

"It was a big challenge to be on stage the entire time, but I think it really helped our cash bond together." -Sean Warren (*08)



Erin Henry('03), Becki Hoffman ('04), and David Kelsey ('06) talk about teen issues.

How many stars would you give the play, 5-breath taking and 1-awful?

"I bud a great time watching the play and I Bröught the characters were tast like permut teeps. It was also awesome to see some of my friends perform." -Andrea Kaniziteer (*05) ****

"It was good but Brad Bytof made it really good. He looked very good and did a great job performing." -Stave Singer ("04)****

"The play was moresting and realistic attempt at showing the chaos of a teen's life. The stadents performing captured our world very well and I thought it rocked." -Cattin Riermater (105)

"*Gluppses* was a great play and let you see the lives and stories of teepagers of today." -Jackte Gola (*05)

"I thought the play was entertaining. Sean's skit was bilarious. It made it worthwhile to go, but I also enjoged how real to life the skits and monologues were." -Melissa Prusko (*04) ****

Words of Wisdom

"I have realized lately that high school has been, so far, the best years of my life. And it goes by all too fast. I guess I have to start thinking about what I am going to do in a couple of years. Yeah, I know what my dream is bat I don't like admitting It all the time, because people shake their heads and think, "It will never happen." But who are they to bash my dreams, and limit my possibilities? Everyone has dreams or goals, and people are always finding success.

So why wouldn't we be able to? " -Katting McAvog (*05)

As with any group of people, "teen" is a term that comes a diverse spread of personalities. In addition to the neurtive stereotypes associated with the word, teen also desarrises the serious college bound student, the sweet and romanific gentlemant and even those talented few destined for greatness. Always keep in mind, "teen" won't tell much about a person except ber age, beacause we come in all different shapes and sizes."

-Natasha Sansone (*06)





Weier ('03) aggressively passes the ball keeping it away from the competition.



Coach Gimre impatiently awaits the conclusion of the game. This was his 2nd year as Head Coach.

Taking It To The Net

The Boys' Basketball Team took the 2002-2003 season to new heights with its best record in six years. Senior Captains Jared Hall, Nick Michael, and Johnny Weier led the team to victory. The boys tipped off the season by placing 2nd at the Marmion Thanksgiving Tournament and 3rd at the Glenbard West Christmas Tournament. In both tournaments, the team demonstrated significant improvements from previous years.

According to Captain Jared Hall, the team learned a valuable lesson at the Marmion Thanksgiving Tournament. "Going into the Thanksgiving, we expected to win it," said Hall. "We went out and won the first two games by a huge margin. However, we did not win the tournament because we lost our last game in the final seconds. That loss taught the team a huge lesson. That was to finish each game strong and that we are not winners until the final buzzer goes off."

Highlights from the season include beating We-Go's arch-rivals Glenbard North at home with a winning score of 77-55 and Naperville North 58-48, Senior Matt Coiley slam dunking against Glenbard North, and the team earning a 3rd place Regional seeding.

By the time the end of the regular season rolled around, the shooting Wildcats finished the season in good standing. Over the years, the team has shown a great deal of improvement. The boys have not played this in six years. The Cats' record was 18 -10 overall and 6 -8 in conference play. Nicholas Michael earned the MVP award, Matthew Coiley earned the Most Improved Award and John Weier was given the Coaches' Award. The wildcats' will take a big hit after they loose five seniors. John Weier, Jared Hall, Matt Coiley, Nick Michael, and Mike Paschke will be greatly missed.



Leo Baylor ('04) shows off his g face. Baylor gave the team a m boost this season.



A few students from the 'The S enthusiastically watch and che their Wildcats.



-Jessica Cwiak

Seniors Matt Coiley, John Weier, Jared Hall and Mike Paschke congratulate each other on a job well done.

Captain Jared Hall ('03) drives the ball to the net. Throughout the sea Hall demonstrated his leadership qualities both on and off the court



The team prepares themselves for the tough game ahead.



The Varsity team gathers before the start of their game against Glenbard North.



Lee Corning ('04) looks for the right opp nity to pass the ball.





pain Nick Michael ('03) looks into his opponent's eye as he carefully finds the ball.

Before the fans fill the stands, the Varsity boys get pepped up football-style by huddling and cheering to create an adrenaline rush.



ammate.



Varsity Front Row: Austin Monroe, Robert Jeffery, John Weier, Doug Sieder, Jason Shreeram Middle Row: Head Coach Kevin Gimre, Lee Corning, Matt Colley, Nick Michael, Mike Paschke, Greg Prill, Ass. Coach Eric Lasky Back Row: Leo Baylor, Ted Gernand, Tom Grove, Jim Rylowicz and Jared Hall.

Opponent	Result	Score
Glenbard North	Loss	66-55
Joliet Catholic	Win	76-47
W.W. South	Win	56-55
Geneva	Win	65-40
Naperville North	Loss	67-60
York	Win	73-68
Wheaton North	Loss	59-46
Naperville Central	Loss	58-42
Glenbard East	Win	67-49
West Aurora	Loss	70-32
Larkin	Win	70-56
Glenbard North	Win	77-55
W.W. South	Loss	56-48
Naperville North	Win	67-51
Wheaton North	Win	84-51
Glenbard East	Win	71-55
West Aurora	Loss	85-54
Reg. vs Streamwood	Win	45-41
Reg. vs Dundee Crow	n Win	68-68
Sec. vs Glenbard Wes	st Win	71-67
Sec Final vs Batavia	Loss	78-68



uphamore Front Row: Coach John Gallagher, Jonathan Hall, Sam Acosta, and Santillan, Coach Dave Sayner Middle Row: Chris Jones, Nick Doncoes, a Gibert, Nick Lelito, Nick Gentile Back Row: Miguel Tapia, Nick George, Ins Carrington, Greg Callahan and John Doeseckle.





eo Baylor ('04) fights for the re-



John Weier ('03) makes his enfrance before the game begins.



Mike Paschke ('03) focuses on the free throw. Paschke not only helped the team under the boards this season, but from the line as well.









Just Hoopin' Around

"All Season All Out," the team motto for the 2002-2003 basketball season howed the determination of the Lady Wildcats to achieve success. The girls shows "an improvement from last year," said Coach Kim Wallner. "We want from winning 10 games last year and 15 this year, and we had a win in a urgional game."

Despite only having four returning Varsity players, the ladie-shown consistently that they wanted to win. These players, Nicole Skala (Ci) Lathi. Never V4, Lauren Johnston (V4) and Shania Sullivan (V4) showed the way while three eniors, Magen Rogers, Lynn Mielke, and Kon Plagg, also contributed to the fina scores of many games.

At the end of the season, the team took fourth plac in the DVC with a vins and 7 losses in conference, the varsity team played two major game, they mall nade the season memorable. "One of the games was when we played Clenkard Nerth at their gym." said Wallnee: "Clenkard North was a quality team and it was one of our better games." The other game occurred on Senior Parent Night equins Clenkard East when the team tied their record high of 74 points.



Magen Rogers gets pumped game as she breaks the throug sign.



Magen Rogers and Nicole Skala hustle back to play defense.



Front: Megan Forbrook, Yadira Perez, Kristen Rocha, Lynn Mielke Leonard Middle: Coach Wallner, Lathie Norton, Dana Hernan Sullivan, Drew Krecek, Kori Flagg, Coach Goebel Back: Lauren för Nicole Skala, Ashley Egert, Karin Sweas, Jessica Crawford, Magen K

"This year was the best year because a lot of friendships were made and we worked together us a team." -Lynn Mielke '03

"The relationship between the plagers is equa important on and off the coart." -Drew Krecek '05













aina Sullivan shows no fear she fights for the rebound things up on defense



lagen Rogers puts pressure na Naperville North Husky, sulting in an eventual turn and basket for the Wild



















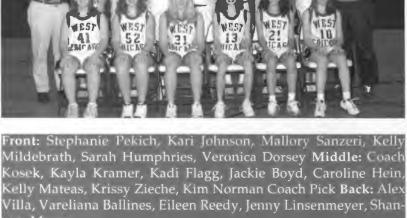
non Myers.





Girls' Basketball 69

Front: Dana Yormark, Amanda Wessman, Peggy Saul, Amanda Bass Middle: Coach Arroyo, Jackie Gola, Ashley Saville, Kelsey Lesniak, Amanda Cibson, Coach Stark Back: Alyssa Claude, Sam Corriero, Sammi Kufta.





50 Yards to Freedom

The buzzer went off and so did the boys With a splash, the Boys' Swimming and Dwine caser began Putting in hours of practice each night and day, the boys rose to the challenge Facing Hell Week proved to be one of the team's biggest obstacles. During Hell Week, the

cam and need the most successful practices. There were no breads, no stops, and no mercy With coaches like Boyan Ared Swimming) and Beth Cottlieb Dwing/leading them or ictories were assured for the team. Talang down opponent after opponent, the boys tool tandings in DVC and amongst the team itself.

Ceach Articl had the boys practice on dry land before school and in the waterafter school Pushing them on, he had no intention of losing a most without a fight. He challenged the boys to swim faster, and longer than ever before Testing their mental and physical capability emained his main goal. "One extra breath, and it is a lap of hunges for you?" said Artel

Coach Cottlieb took her team to the parks of their height, quite literally. She pushed the team to jump higher, flip faster, and twist harder than before. She heped to put them or another level for next year, but still kept the present in mind. "Do it or kill yoursalf trying Cottlieb said.

The teams endured the builders of their sport for the py of the challenge, the sport they ad chosen and the time they had given, just for their own enjoyment. "As long as you work hard through the season, not only will you be a better swimmer but also a better person, aid Steve Bicek (05).

-Bob Vondaust



Back: Karl Donovan, Peter Oelslager, Alex Wemple, Peter Brd row: Bryan Artel, Bob Vondrash, Drew Weigand, Erik ames Oroni, Matt Simon, Mrg. Rachel Rivera, Nathan Oels Beth Gottlieb 2nd Row: Chris Prochnow, Steve Bicek, Colliander, C.J. Wostratzky, Matt Marvan, Chris Nelson I Michael Hernandez Joel Somers, Jeff Lesniak, and Matt Be



loel Somers ('04) and Drew Weigand ('05) stop their laps to see what the excitement is all about.



Peter Kiger ('06) sneaks a breath before C Artel catches him.



Wildcat swimmers and supporters sit and watch from the sidelines.



Alex Wemple ('04) takes a break from the ous workout that he swims daily.

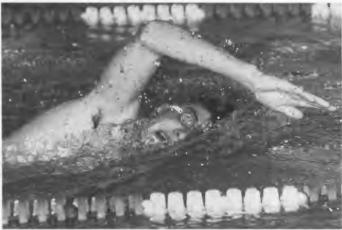
"You'll never outch me, I'm the Ginger Breadman I' - Nathan Oeksloger (1



"Bryan could cure the deaf with his yelling." -Chris Prochnow (*06)



loel Somers ('04) jumps in for a cool dip before practice, but his hair refuses to go down with the ship.



In his leg of the relay, Chris Prochnow ('06) goes for the gold and the win.



Steve Bicek ('05) pulls through for his team, to shave a few seconds off his time.

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Lock n' Grip



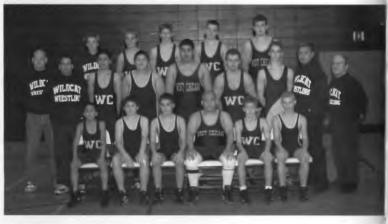




Where some see sweaty bodies in tights, others see hours of effort and strength training. No one really knows how much time and effort the wrestlers put into their sport. They train daily in order to get into the shape needed to wrestle in a suitable weight group. Along with making weight and enduring practices, they swallow their insecurities and don the skintight uniform before engaging in a match.

"I joined wrestling to see how competitive the sport is," said Dung Nguyen ('06), "but I really don't like all of the running around."

Although this wrestling season proved difficult, Head Coach Marty Molina hopes that the future will bring success for the team, and the discipline and determination of the wrestlers shows a bright future. "It was encouraging to see the positive direction in which the team was going," he said. -Mercedes Castro



Freshman Wrestling Team: Front: Steven Ocampo, Phillip Hernan Joey Morabito, Hector Cantu, Andrew Singer, Steve Benson 2nd Ro Coach Marty Molina, Asst. Coach Mike Assaf, Paul Reyes, Seth Contro Ismail Hassan, Seamus Joyce-Olson, Jonathan Kammes, Asst. Co Mike Zepeda, Coach Bob Hein Back Row: Manager Heather Edmins Kyle Frank, Brian Youngberg, Jacob Jeter, Ryan Foytik.



Left: Mike McInerney ('04), Tyler Hempel ('04), Fabian Cruz ('04), and Urias Carmona ('03) take time to enjoy their wrestling season.

Above: Mike McInerney (tries to pin his rival wrestler only having one hand avail

What were your feelings about this year's season?

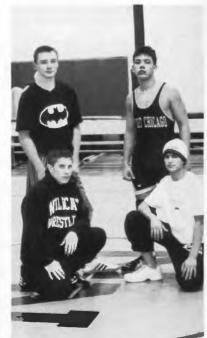
"Although a little disappointed, I know we're building things to look for the fam. -Coach Mike Assaf

"We had a good year but we need more wrestlers to come out next year." -Coach Michael Zepeda

Head Coach: Marty Molina

Asst. Coaches: Mike Assaf Bob Hein Mike Zepeda

Manager: Steven Benson



Wrestling









Unias Carmona ('03) prepares to wrestle ferociously like a bear, and bring a victory home for our Wildcat wrestling team.

What has been the most challenging school the wrestling team has ever faced?

Think that the most challenging school the team has faced would be Wheaton Warrenville South." -Ismail Hassan (*06)

The most challenging school he has faced is Glenbard North." -Seamus Joyce-Olson (*06)

Varsity/I.V Wrestling Team: Front: Fabian Cruz, Mark Trygar, Stephany Vasquez, Kiel FarJeat 2nd Row: Derek Koelsch, Mike McInerney, Tyler Hempel, Mike Dieter, Adam Pineda, Bryan Duffy, Manager Heather Edminson 3rd Row: Asst. Coach Mike Assaf, Coach Marty Molina, Brad Murison, Nick Fairbanks, Justin Pineda, Joel Castro, Jonathan Kurtz, Coach Bob Hein, Asst. Coach Mike Zepeda Back Row: Tony Sosa, Jose Garcia, Travis Saville, Hugo Conde, Dale Staton, Urias Carmona.

Wrestling has been thought of as a sport in which only men could compete, but Sophomore Stephany Vasquez put a sock in every guy's mouth by joining. Throughout the season, she remained up to the challenge of taking on any guy who thought he could take her. "I got bored of doing my nails so I joined wrestling," she said. Stephany, being the only female wrestler on the team ,showed everyone that a girl can do anything a boy can.

Even though she's a female, she trained and sweated just as hard as any other boy on the team." It is like she's one of us and she doesn't get any special treatment," said Ismail Hassan ('06). Before she would wrestle during practice, Stephany spent a great deal of time conditioning. According to Stephany, this is the hardest part about wrestling and "It builds up a wrestler's stamina." Since this was only her second year of wrestling, her biggest accomplishment was being treated as one of the guys. She plans to keep wrestling for the Wildcats for the next two years.

-Mercedes Castro

Mike McInerney ('04) waits impatiently for the whistle to go off and wrestle his heart out while

his opponent tries to stop him.

What usually attracts people to join wrestling?

"To get into a better shape and because it is fun." -Andrew Singer (*06)

"Watching it on TV and some of my family members wrestled in high school." -Paul Flores (*06)

A Common Goal

The 2002-2003 campaign has brought many changes for the Community High School hockey players. For the past two seasons, the West Chicago/Wheaton Academy hockey team played in the junior varsity level. The Wheaton North team was almost unable to field a hockey team. However, they shared a common goal as the West Chicago/Wheaton Academy team, and so they joined together, and the Wheaton West Hockey Club was born. At the time of the yearbook deadline for this article, the team was in first place in the Western Division of the Illinois Suburban Hockey League. We-Go hockey players include Quin Barclay, Ray Braunshausen, Justin Gracyas, Mark Laabs, Tyler Piech, and team captain Brian Nelson. During the season, Mark Laabs and Brian Nelson were selected to play in the league all-star game, with Mark Laabs earning Co-MVP honors.

> -Lilli Cassidy with Pete Laabs



Junior Tyler Piech works behind the net, while Freshm Ray Braunshausen prepares to shoot.



Senior Mark Laabs anxiously awaits the next player d ing to challenge him at the goal.



Stop and Draw The Wildcats

Qualities needed to be on the Literary Magazine Staff:

Creative Artistic Photogenic Democratic Responsible Hard working Sociable

aff members take a break in mmonsbefore getting back into reswing of things.



Freshman Tom DeLegge waits outside the classroom before the "Mind's Eye" meeting.



EricLauer ('06) and Tom DeLegge (%) spend time together before their meeting.

Ready, set, draw! "Mind's Eye", the Literary Magazine, seems to have an "underground quality" to it and is designed to be a showcase of students' creative abilities. Students are able to submit their works of art, photography, and writing. Some of the previous submissions have been poems, essays, and short stories.

There are only 17 members on the staff, most of which are Freshmen, all in the hands of their advisor, Mrs. Cobbett. "Mind's Eye" has for the last four years won the NCTE Literary Magazine Competition. When asked what was the most enjoyed aspect of being head of a club, Mrs. Cobbett replied that it was, "getting to know creative students."

-Marissa Mendoza



Front: Nathan Butters, Tom DeLegge, Eric Lauer, Erin Linsenmeyer, Mrs. Cobbett **Back:** Steve Migliorato, Dan Dyrda, Jennifer Kamphaus, Justin Doyle, Kristina Wanous, Kirsten Stockhoff.



The advisor, Mrs. Cobbett, is pleased to begin another day of the Literary Magazine.



Nathan Butters ('06) and Eric Lauer ('06) prepare for the busy day ahead of them.

Officers:

President: Melissa Stevens

Vice President: Kirsten Stockhoff

Secretary: Erin Linsenmeyer

Treasurer: Javier Terrazas



Freshmen Nathan Butters and Eric Lauer look eager to begin an new day of "Mind's Eye".



Erin Linsenmeyer ('04) sheds a smile at the success of "Mind's Eye".



Steven Migliorato ('06) and Dan Dyrda ('06) take a break from their busy "Mind's Eye" schedule.



Front: Christine Hendron, Lilli Castidy Second Row: Marissa Mendoza, Mell Prusko Back: Sean Warren, Katy Kostal Not Pictured: Sarah Hammer.

Questions Ms. Santella shouldn't

have asked.

"Bob what do I do when people don't use apostrophes torrectly?" -Ms. Santella "Omm...pull out the big stick?" -Bab Vondrash (*06)

"Sean do I look like I have the face of a happy woman right now?" -Ms. Santella "Do you ever have the face of a happy woman?" -Sean Warren (*08)

Panic Until Deadline!

Choosing a theme for the yearbook is no simple task. We wanted comething that would being a sense of pride to those attending Communi _ High School, as well as something exclusive that we could call our own. "Here We Go" is a unique way of incorporating our school nickname, "We Go," and showing how we feel from the beginning of the school year when we first walk through those front doors. Whether a student is entering this school as a freshman or leaving it as a senier, the thought running through everybody's mind as he/she embarks on a new journey is "Here We Go."

The Challenge staff members are constantly going out of their way to make sure the Eudents of We-Go will remember this year as the best. The staff gives it their all by coming up with new layout designs, spending time on crucial picture cropping and struggling to meet all their deadlines. It is also our job to become involved and be a part of the action for all school events. In the end, the hard work is worth it. For every deadline we meet, we have a pizza party. Although we don't get paid, we always get fed.

-Adricha Vargas



Ms. Santella bosses around t yearbook staff.

Craz Tearbook Quotes.

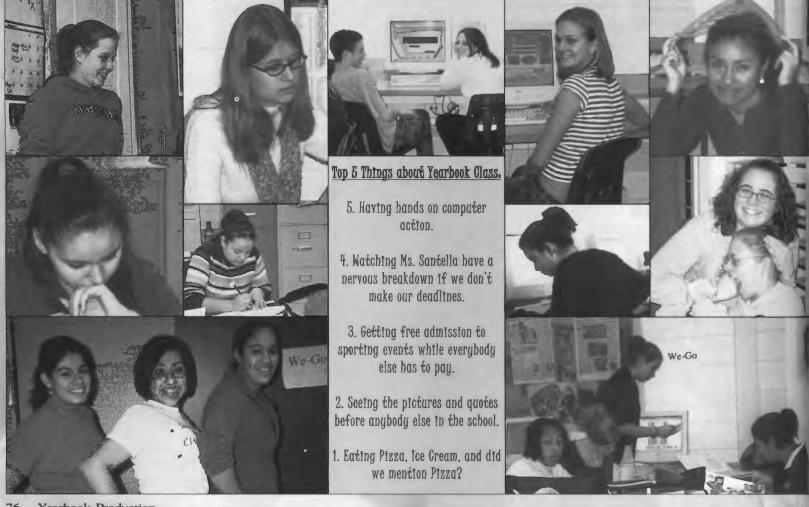
"If you're gonna call somebody a "ho" on bathroom Stall, at least spell it correction Ms. Santella

The bell hasn't rung yet, I don't have to the to you." -Sean Warren (*08) comments to Ms. Santi

"My most memorable antic from yearbox class was when Sean and Katy gave a li cricket to Ms. Sandella on Valentine's Da -Brisa Mendez (*03)



Front: Ms. Santella, Liliana Mariano, Joanna Szeszycki, Christine Hendron, Lilli Cassidy, Erica Fatigato Second Row: Raul Guzman, Adilene Chavez, Marissa Mendoza, Melissa Prusko, Jessica Cwiak, Adriana Vargas, Lettecia Cruz, Mercedes Castro Back: Bob Vondrash, Kristine Joy, Sean Warren, Katy Kostal, Maricarmen Osorio, Brisa Mendez.



Letters From the Editors:



Sean Warren We friendship, friendship, just the perfect blendship!" "Anything Goes"



Sarah Hammer "Muchas"

To all of my friends. YOU ROCK!! Thank you for making my senior year the greatest year ever. It has been a blast being with all of you guys and I am sad to have to leave. But as the years go on, I know that we will continue to become closer and closer. I wouldn't be the same without you!

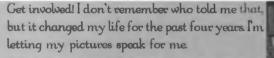
The best thing about high school for me was all of the relationships that made the experience so exciting. To all my friends, thank you for making high school such a memorable time in my life, you know who you are. May God bless you in the years to come.







Katy Kostal Implaceable & Unforgettable Impe, Sean, Joe, Mike, Kim, Beth







Hot Off the Pres

Once a month students rushed to grab their copies of the Wildcat Chronicle and learn about school news. The high school's newspaper, the Chronicle, informed the faculty and students about everything from the newest student of the month to the demolition of Lincoln School. In 2002, the American Scholastic Press Association honored the Chronicle with a first place certificate and the Northern Illinois School Press Association awarded the staff with a silver certificate. The newspaper also received the International Honor Award for significant achievements in scholastic journalism.

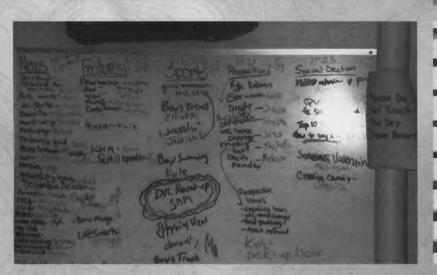
-Brisa Mendez

What is the best thing the Wildcart Chronicle offers its staff?

"The Wildcat Chronicle prepares the staff by preparing as for the fature and everything that can come." -Melissa Stevens (*03)

> "Deadlines...NOTI" -Jessica Myers (*08)

"I believe the Chronicle offers students the oppurtunity to work with others they may have not been associated with before, opening the door to friendships and a solid understanding of teamwork" -Laura Kuehn



Organization is the key to successful journalism: Assignments are given to the Wildcat Chronicle staff and posted on the bulletin board.



Looking for her latest assignment from Ms. Kuehn, Anna Nubie(checks her mailbox as she enters the journalism lab.



Bridget Geraghty('05) concentrates on a major story as she works on one her assignments after school. Like many newspaper staff members, she shows her dedication by frequently working after school hours. A We-Go student, like many of his classmates, enjoys reading a op of the Wildcat Chronicle at his locker before school starts. A sw about the Forensics team seems to capture his attention.



Front Row: Bridget Geraghty, Jessica Myers, Anna Nubie Back Row: Jaclyn Jemes, Kyle Bullis, Ian Rewers, Melissa Stevens, Tyler Link, John Jennings, Sam West.

Top 5 Sections of the Newspaper: 1. Front Page 2. Sports 3. Entertainment 4. Comics 5. Business





lelissa Stevens ('03) works on copy.



ditor Sam West ('04) leads the staff.



Jaclyn Demes ('03) looks for photographs.



Jessica Myers ('03) begins a new story.

Chronicle Staff: Editor-in-Chief: Stephanie Bodane News Editor: Sam West Perspective Editor: Melissa Stevens Features Editor: Kyle Bullis Sports Editor: Elliott Tinnes Specials Sections: Anna Nubie Photo Editor: Jessica Myers

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Advisor: Laura Kuehn

Worst places to read the newspaper: -SATS -Party -Football Game -Driving -Movies -Chemistry lab School Play -Circus -Church Yoga Class -Funeral **Prairie State Exams** Bar Mitzyah -Quincenera

Live From West Chicago

Lights, camera, action! We-Go Through the Tube, West Chicaga student-produced television show, proved to be one of the best sources of information for students throughout the school year. Airing once every month during third hour announcements, the show highlighted everything from interviews with ordinary students to highlights from basketball and football games. Since its premiere in 2002, the program allowed everyone to enjoy once-in-a-lifetime moments like Mr. Highland's performance at the Variety show, Mr. Healy's impression of Superman at the Homecoming pep rally, and even a clip of the principal competing in a swim meet.



Prepare the cameras! The cast and crew of We-Go Through the Tube are ready to roll the film.



Rachel Moguel ('03) discusses her ideas for the next show with Caitlin Riermaier ('05).



-Adilene Chavez

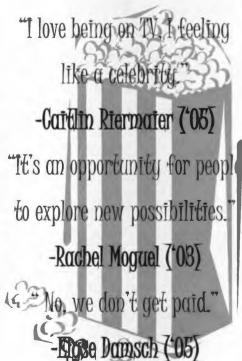
Two thumbs up!!! Jeff Linsenmeyer ('05) reviews movies for the show.



Caitlin Riermaier ('05) rates the movie *D* devil, giving it three pieces of popcorn.



Caitlin Riermaier ('05) and Elyse Damsch ('05) prepare to tape another episode.





Rachel Moguel ('03) and Caitlin Riermain laugh at a clip of Mr. Highland in a swin

ifferent Strokes

Mr. Exner, a "Jeopardy" fanatic and the art teacher who need Wildcat Impressions (casually referred to as the art club), has need an open forum where students can express themselves. While idents work on their artistic creations, they have the options of ming to music for inspiration... or watching Mr. Exner yell out the wers to Alex Trebek.

Anyone can join in on the creative fun, which ranges from the prawing to ceramics and computer applications. Students can need use shop class skills to express themselves. "I have a lot of fun reially when Mr. Exner gives me more confidence in myself and in part," Stephanie Hendron ("06) said with a smile.

The art club's journey began twelve years ago and hopefully Intinue for years to come. Wildcat Impressions is much more and fee free club run by a "Jeopardy" fanatic - it is a journey where my troke of a paint brush, every end of an eraser, and every creation press results in a masterpiece.

-Patty Carmona



Int: Veronica Beth, Chris Contreras, Aimee Beutke, Chris-In: Hendron, Rachel Balmaseda Back: Dan Roloff, Larry Etrie, Jim Oroni, John French, Stephanie Hendron, Lora Indicka. (A.K.A. The John, Chris, and Dan Rock Club.)



Mr. Exner relaxes and supervises the afterschool activity trying to pass time.

How would you describe Wildcart impressions? "I would describe Wildcart impressions as a very fun after school activity,I enjoy making my art work even better with Mr. Exner helping me." -Stephanie Hendron (*06)

What is necessary to join Wildcart Impressions? "The desire." -Mr. Exner



in French, a We-Go graduate, in french, a masterpieces.

"One never knows what one is going to do. One starts a painting and then it becomes something quite else. It is remarkable how little the 'willing' of the antist intervenes." Kahnweiler, Gesprache mit Picasso, 1959

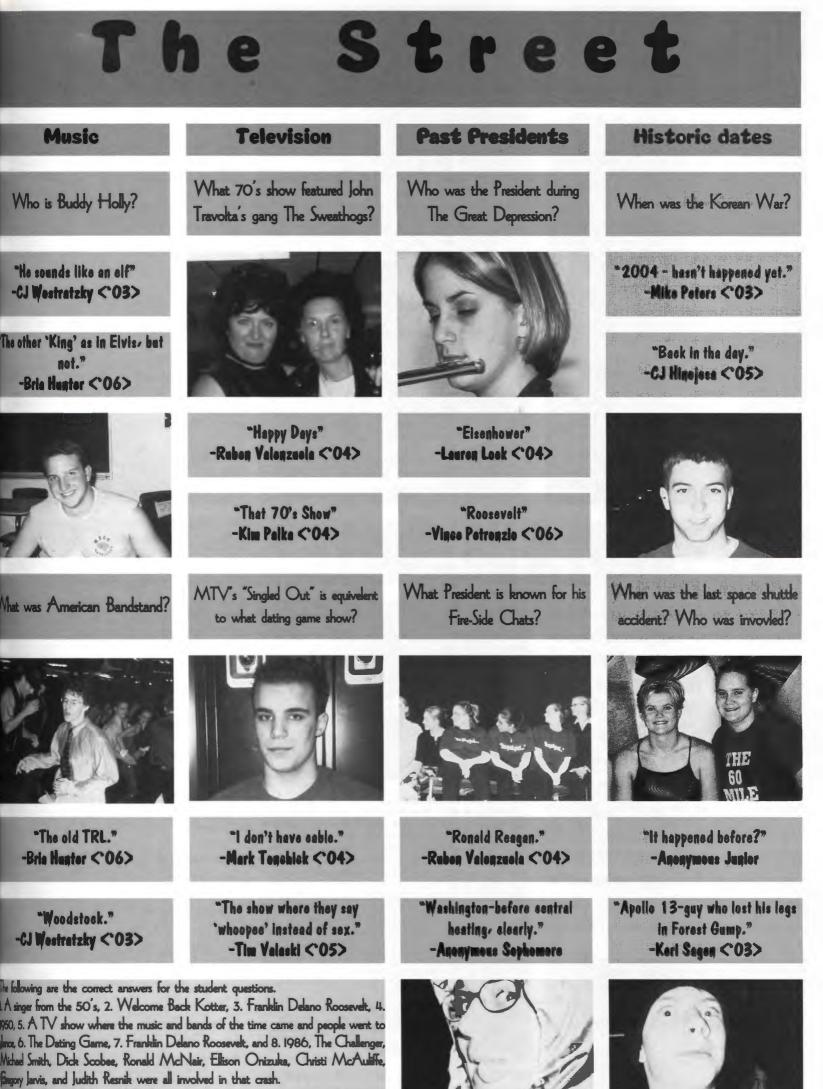


Stephanie Hendron ('06) concentrates on finishing her art work.

Word On

Music Of Today	Phrases	Hidden Meanings	Fill in the blan
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"Eminem. I cheated on this question." -English Teacher Ms. Marshiando			"Cheap and outdated -English Teacher Mr. K
	"Your bling bling is blinding me." -Social Studies Teacher Mrs. Laimins	"Opposite of thin?" -Math Teacher Mr. Barzynski	6.
	"Loss CPU dependency." -Agenymous AP Chemistry Teacher	"Something that is not ghetto." -Social Studies Teacher Mrs. Laimins	
What is "emo" music?	What is a player?	What would "LYLAS" mean?	The term "crib" is slarg ?
*No clue and I thought I knew a lot about music. Is it techno?" -French Teacher Madame Bulut	"Someone who participates?" -Math Teacher Mr. Barzynski	"I don't have the 411 on this one." -Social Studios Teacher Mrs. Laimins	"Home." -Anonymous AP Chemin Teacher
Emphasizes personal/angst-ridden lyries set to driving guitar lieks." –English Teacher Mr. Kling	"An untrastworthy person, sometimes called a 'gigolo'." -French Teacher Madame Bulut	"Holla back!" -French Teacher Monsiour Skortich	"House." -Science Teacher Mr. Zi
		Aren't students told by their teachers not was given to teachers, many of them cheat Marchiando even admitted to cheating. G The following are the answers for the tea is blinding me, 3. Pretty Hot And Temptin An untrustworthy person who has many p Home.	ed to find the answers. English Tex Auite ironic. cher questions: 1. Eminem, 2. Your ng, 4. Bad, 5. Short for emotional

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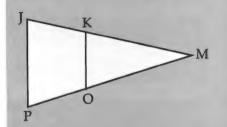
Meissa Prusko and Marissa Mendoza

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We Go Farther with Our Minds



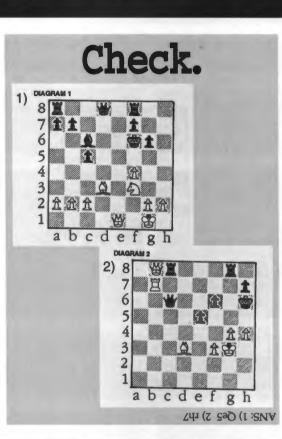
1) Given: angle J is congruent to angle MKO. MK = 12, KO=8, MO=10, JK =3. Find PO and JP.



2) Write the sums and differences in standard form.

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TOSS-UP - Category:Fine Arts

This modern artist created such painting as a series of brightly colored portraits Marylin Monroe and Cambell Soup cans Name this artist.

BONUS - Category: Theatre and Math

Imagine the stage in a theatre as a clock upstage is the 12, then what number would the actor be moving if he were following these directions?

1) Runs stage left.

- 2) Walks casualy downstage.
- 3) Skips stage right.

Toss-up: Andy Warhol. Bonus: 1) 3 2) 6 3) 9.

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Mathletes have often struggled with incorporating their skills in mathematics into dating – until Mr. Hayes saved the day! Each year, an inspiring and often hilarious quote is included on the Math Team shirt. This year was no exception – the theme was mathrelated pickup lines. The pickup lines included, "Hey baby what's your sine?" and "Let me take your derivative so I can be tangent to your curves."

-Katy Kostal

Interesting Math Team Quotes.

"How was the cornfield?" "Worm Micah worm." "Mafia Lovel"



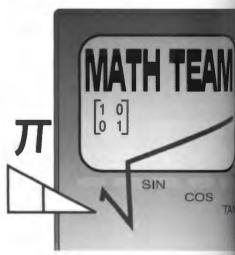
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Mrs. Mathews, Ms. Slobodecki and Ms. Nuesser help correct the mathletes' problems during practice.



Patrick Baur ('03) and Theresa McEvoy ('03) remem the good times and puzzling problems they just countered at the math team meet.

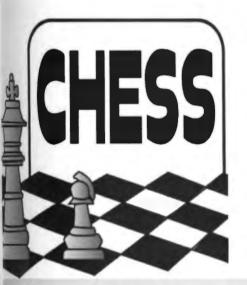




Iom Burke ('04) makes his move during practice while area Burke ('06) watches and learns.



Front: Anne Sticksel, Tony McDaniel, Eric Lindner, Jason LeGear, Justin Doyle. Back: Ismail Hassan, James Burke, Michael Buerger, Christopher Gauldin, Greg Luebker.





Michael Buerger ('03) ponders his next play against his opponent during practice after school.

"It's fun, and not as geeky as you might think," said Jason LeGear ('05), a member of the 2002/2003 chess team. Chess team is indeed a mind-sport as well as fun, according to the team. The seniors came in first place at state competitions in Bloomington and achieved honors at Rockford. With Joe Splinter as coach and Michael Buerger ('03) and Justin Doyle ('04) as the captains, they worked to make sure that everything goes smoothly on tournament days and practices.

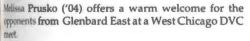
-Christine Hendron

Do you consider chess a sport? "No. Chess is a science and an art, but not a sport." -Greg Luebker (*04) "I consider chess a sport because it challenges your

n consider chess a sport because it chanenges goor mind and it takes a lot of practice to play." -James Burke ("06)

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Front: Kristina Wanous, Erin Linsenmeyer, Kirsten Stockhoff. Row 2: Steve Migliorato, Tom DeLegge, Eric Lauer, Christine Hendron, Amanda Ritchie, Mrs. Wilson. Row 3: Brienna Hunter, Emmanuel Duran, Leticia Villa, Sarah Hasse, David Bennett, Allison Haley, Kevin Roloff. Back: Dale Szul, Leigh Hellman, Jeff Cisowski, Jeffrey Burgess, Andy Kiger. Not Pictured: Melissa Prusko and William Burlison.





Emmanuel Duran ('04) and Erin Linsenmeyer ('04) prepare to board the vans to held off to a DVC meet against Naperville North.

From toss-ups to bonus problems, West Chicago's Scholastic Bowl team worked hard to beat their opponents. The meets against other schools allowed the team to see how their minds matched up in the DVC. It was an overall successful year with a lot of participation from all of the members. With Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Caltigrone as the advisors/ coaches, 'Scho Bowl' made this year into a great learning experience.

-Christine Hendron

"When Jeff Burgess, co-captian, saw a teammate's sheet that said "Say google for all" and answered "say google" for all parts." -Jeff Cisowski ('05)

"H's like bowling...only completely not." -Melissa Prusko (*04)

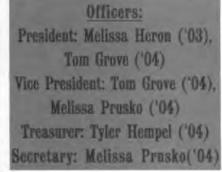
. . Do They Fit You

To help others, a person does not need to meet many requirements, however, a person does need love and care for the residents of the community. Many students have found Key Club to be the perfect place to make a difference in people's lives. Every month, the club planned various activities, some which required many hours of behind the scenes work, like the Heifer Project. Every year, Key Club's goal is to raise \$50000 to buy a cow through the project for a poverty stricken country.

Throughout the year, Key Aub worked with the Kiwanis Aub of West Chicago on small projects. Key Aub also worked with Heartland Blood Center on the Blood Drive, which collected close to 100 pints of donated by the staff and students. Since September 11 2001 the interest in donating blood has taken on a new meaning. Some students that day walked out of the small gym with saddened faces because they were unable to donate blood.

Key Club did not require its members to partake in every activity, but for its members to take the projects into their own hand. According to Junior Linsey Perez, Key Club "is fun and the people are great. We do many things to give back to the community."

-Melissa Prusko



Projects: -Blood Drive -Leaf Raking -Chili Cook-Off -Heifer Project -Humanitarian Service Project -Trailer Park Clean-Up -Prairie Path Clean-Up -Spastic Paralysis -Homeless Sleep Out



The Key To The Future

"Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all times you can, by all the means you can, as long as you can." - John Wesley



Front: Pamela Martin, Melissa Heron (President), Melissa Prusko (Secretary, Vice President), Linsey Perez, Ashley Griskell, and Lauren Ziberna. Middle: Mr. Rau (Advisor), Jenna Pelej, Kelly Jezior, Drew Krecek, Martha Kaczmarczyk, Tom Grove (Vice President, President). Back: Tyler Hempel (treasurer), Kellie Virnich, Amy Axelrod, and Rachel Balmaseda

use the talent I am blessed with: helping others." -Melissa Prusko ('04)

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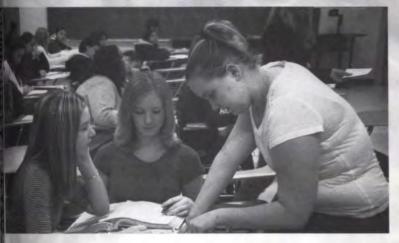
When a person is in need, help is just around the corner at community High School with the Peer Helper Program. Consisting of momores, juniors, and seniors who are willing to share their time, Peer lepers welcome incoming freshmen and help the student body. During very period of the day, a Peer Helper waits to help students in the hademic Skill Center. Students can receive assistance with homework het may be too difficult for them and advice for personal problems. Group essions are held once a week when Peer Helpers and freshmen meet and ak about teen issues.

Peer Helpers are not just about helping students, but the community as well. During the 2002-2003 school year, they adopted a local willy in West Chicago. The local family of eight members was facing conomic problems that made it difficult for them to have a joyful Inisimas Peer Helpers bought gifts for one member of the family just in time for the holidays. "This made the kids feel good that they did comething for the community," said Ms. Woodson.



Front Row: Keri Sagen, Nicole Melone, Dominique A. Scott, Natalie Chudoba. Second Row: Jill Kufta, Tom Aguirre, Brian Calabrese, Melanie Stone, Alyssa Campagnoni, Brad Bytof, Elizabeth Jacques. Third Row: Lena Gomez, Nicole Klingberg, Ms. Woodson, Michelle Howard, Greg Powell, Nick Bernard. Back Row: Andria Bernard, Allison Danes, Katherine Cloutier, Paula Mazzola, Valerie Cirone, Sammi Kufta.

-Maricarmen Osorio



Two We-Go students look to Keri Sagen ('03) for help with their math mework during study hall.

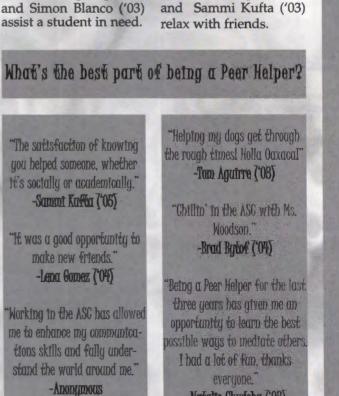


Nicole Klingberg ('05) assist a student in need.

Elizabeth Jacques ('05)



hula Mazzola ('05) and Katherine Cloutier ('05) put their heads Tether to assist Nicholas Nolte ('05) with his Español.



-Natalie Chudoba (*08)

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Sophomore year is said to be one of the most important years of onci life. It is a year in which teenagers are able to prove they are responsible enough to have drivers licenses and in many cases cars, but that special day is often not as pretty as it may seem. "The first day I got my license, I sideswiped the side of my garage and my whole bumper fell off," Kate Rehbock said.

Here

Overcoming challenges like learning to be a better driver or passing a chemistry test are part of a sophomores everyday experience. Challenges like these make sophomores more determined to do it all. With this certain determination, sophomores made their first priority to make the Class of 2005 special.

Renato Correa proved that individuality is the key to winning. Renato was a part of the contest Life Smarts. Life Smarts is a Jeopardy type of game in which the questions focus on everyday life. All participants were expected to dress formally, but Renato showed up wearing a suit and his Vans. Actions like these make events stand out and be remembered for a lifetime.

Whichever challenge it may be, sophomores take one step forward and scream, "Move over West Chicago . . . here we come!"

> -Lilli Cassidy, Erica Fatigato, Brisa Mendez, and Maricarmen Osorio



Austin Monroe, Chris Carrington, and Tori Jeffery wear their game faces.



Mrs. Ioli and Tom Wingstedt show their Halloween spirit.

Micah Hitchcock is not afraid off his feminine side in class

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Sophomores dance the night on Homecoming night.





Micah Hitchcock and Ian Holmes attempt to blend in with the school.

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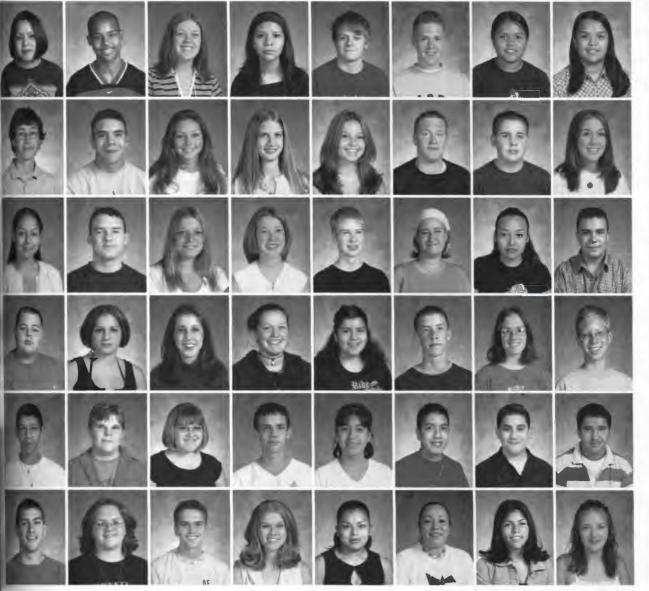
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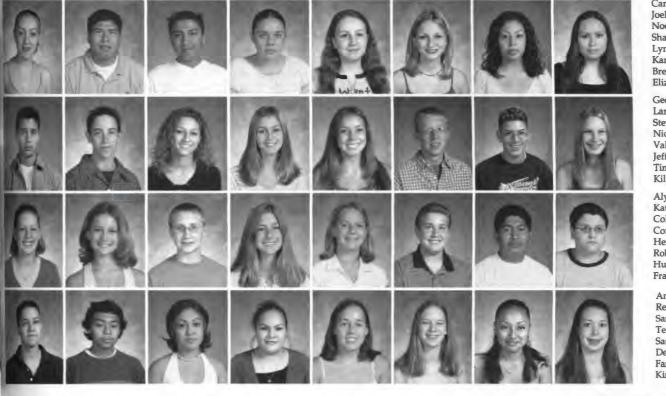
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Dana Yormark and Jamie Klingbe out the competition before a mate



"I can't wait to be an upperclassman because it will be a lot of fun despite all the hard work." -Whiting McCaffrey



"I'm looking forward to being an apperclassman because we'll get tons of privileges and it'll be a blast!" -Jessica Boyd

Noemi Barrera Andrew Bass Rachel Bednar Ivonne Bedolla Luke Belding Matthew Belding Matria Benitez Maria Benitez

Julien Benter Jacob Bermudez Andria Bernard Lauren Bertram Kristen Betts Steven Bicek Jacob Bien Jennifer Birkey

Angelica Blanco Christopher Bodane Brandi Bodie Kathryn Boland Timothy Bolt Rebecca Bonarek Maira Borjon Valentin Borjon

John Borkowicz Kristin Borsodi Jessica Boyd Pamela Briner Ingrid Briseno Michael Brzeczek Melissa Buckles-Haley Jeffrey Burgess

Cesar Caballero Glen Cadwallader Nichole Cagnina Gregory Callahan Brenda Calleros Alonso Camargo Alexander Carpenter Giovany Carrillo

Christopher Carrington Jessica Carter Michael Casey Lillian Cassidy Elizabeth Castellanos Astrid Castillo Connie Castillo Leslie Castillo-Warning

Carmen Castro Joel Castro Noe Castro Shantal Cervantes Lyndsay Chaffin Karin Chase Brenda Chavez Elizabeth Chavez

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> Tania Dorsey Agustin Duran Daniel Eckler Ashley Egert Ricky Eldridge Jessie Elson Julie Evans Erica Fatigato

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What is the best way to get your teacher sidetracked?

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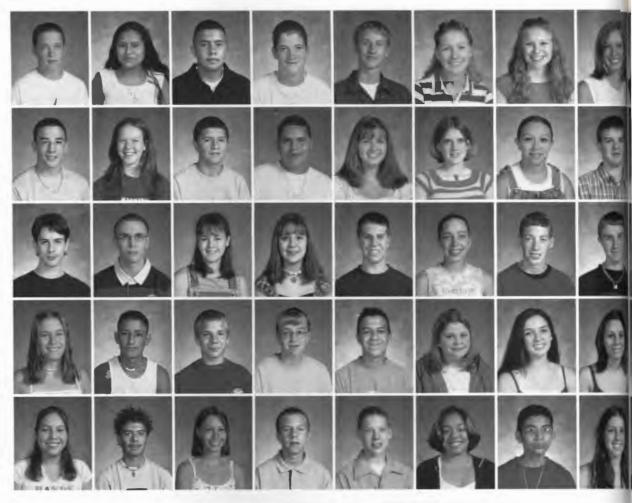
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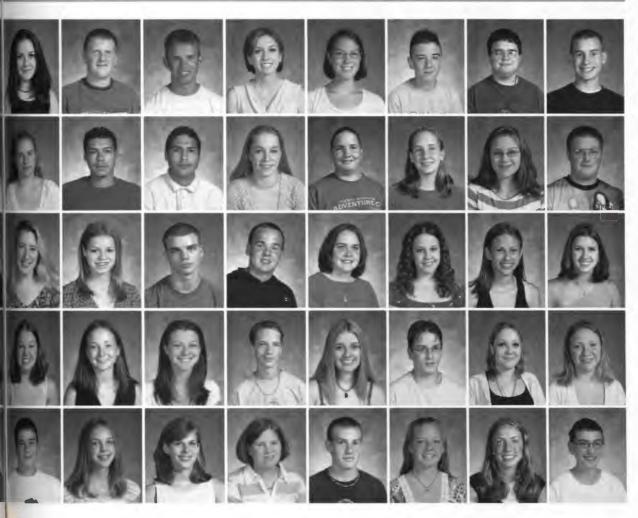


"I ask a question that makes no sense, even though I don't cure and then I act interested to know the answer. -Christopher Bodane "Pretend to faint so you don't have to do anything for a while." -Mariana Flores and Lauren Koontz





"Flamingoes cannot flyI" -Cesar Nunez (Mr. Kargol) "You're a saucy boy (from Romeo and Juliet)." -Tim Valaski (Mr. Kargol)



Ashley Griskell Cirilo Guerrero Diego Guerrero Lucia Guerrero Octavio Guerrero Laura Hahn Allison Haley Jonathan Hall

Andrew Hamm Kristie Hammock Michael Hanrahan Mark Hansen Mary Harms Cesar Haro Joseph Harte Thomas Harwood

Summer Hassan Sheila Hasselberger Kyle Heiden Donald Henning Dana Hernan Alondra Hernandez Carmelita Hernandez Cristina Hernandez

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What is the craziest thing a beacher has ever said to you?

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Nicole Klingberg Merium Koch Shelley Koch Gary Koester Lauren Koontz Nick Kostel Ashley Kovacevic Tracey Kowalczyk

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Janet Luna Joshua Lundquist Alan Mackintos Kevin Macorkel Michelle Macrito Matthew Mahoney Angela Mahr James Maldonado

How does the feel not to be freshmen anymore?

"I don't teel so short all the time with freshman around. Nevermind, most of them are taller than me." -Margareti Sual

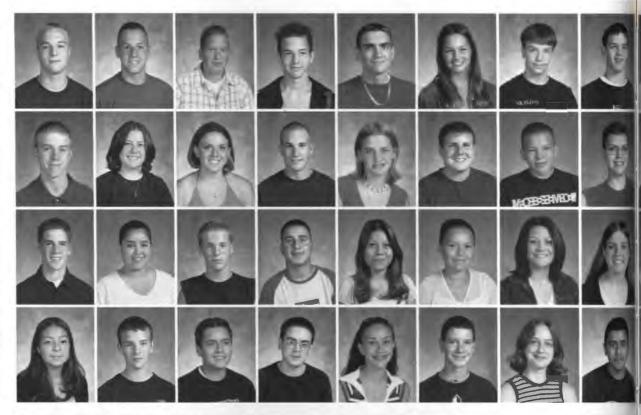
"I tell them the wrong way to their classes." -Alejandro Delgado

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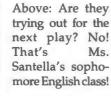
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Robert Medeiros Brisa Mendez Daniel Meyers Jessica Minelli Fernando Mondragon Austin Monroe Nestor Monroy Almadelia Montenegro

> Jorge Morales Ryan Morris Adam Mosley Guadalupe Munoz Maria Munoz Sergio Munoz Keith Murrell Jill Musick







Below: Sophomore class pulls their way through Homecoming week.











Left: Christina Mazzone and Jessica Boyd show their sophomore spirit during a football game.

Above: Tony Perham busts a move and shows off breakdancing skills.

William Myers **Brianne Nadolny** Amy Natale Heather Nehmer Lindsay Neuman **Tiffany Nitti** Lee Nolan Alexandra Nunez

Cesar Nunez Michael Oleksiak Ashlev Olson Eric Olson Arizbe Ortiz Linda Ortiz Ricardo Ortiz Maricarmen Osorio

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Carlos Perez **Cristina** Perez Francisco Perez Maria Perez Mariano Perez Nancy Perez Patricia Perez Silvina Perez

What's the best thing that has happened to you sophomore year?

"Having fun classes and being with my friends." -Hugo Saucedo

"Having knowledge, turning 16, and knowing the way around the school." -Jenny Rincon

Victor Perez Anthony Perham Ashley Peterson Nicholas Pietrobon Kathryn Podschwit **Gregory** Powell Cecilia Proa Indalecio Proa

Shawn Przybyla Jose Quiroz Oscar Ramirez Ashley Rawls Arturo Recendez Kate Rehbock Ian Rewers Jessie Rewers

Emily Richert Kimmy Riehm Caitlin Riermaier Jenny Rincon **Timothy Ritchie** Jennifer Robertson Jessica Robertson Juan Robles























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"I love sophomore year because there are so many new opportunities like going to my locker and getting my license." -Chelsea Dertz









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Courtney Voelz Matthew Waldow Jill Walkoe Sinead Walsh Thomas Walsh Jacob Walter Michele Walters Jessica Wasielewski

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"Sophomore year is better because last year i would always envy those who could drive and now this year i can drive myself." -Bernadebte Dimas



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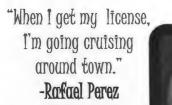






"Sophomore year rocks! Driving is awesome, it's so much nor convenient for school, and sports, and you can just go pick up y friends." -Hilary Tennant







"When I get my license, I'm going to be out 24/7 with my friends partying. WooHool" -Dustin Saville



"The first thing I did when I got my license was go driving by myself and I played my music really loud!" -Bethany Toms

"I goł my licensel Oh Yeahl" -**Amanda Schwinn**





"I can't wait to drive because I can just get up and leave whenever I want!" -Ashley Griskell







the best part about being a sophomore is knowing that we don't have to inte bealth class! We have better things to look for. Licenses and being perclassmen! Just two more years of school...YEAHII" -Tracey Kowalczyk





king a sophomore is like reaching equilibrium. It doesn't get ther than this. We can finally drive and homework is easy!" -Keith Murrell

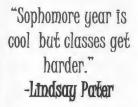














"This year was fun, but I can't wait for next year. Juniors, oh yeah!" -Denise Almaraz

"Sophomore year is so much easier than freshman year because you know the school better." -Sarah Rysell



"The best thing about Sophomore year is having more freedom." -Hayde Antonio







"The best part about being a sophomore is knowing who the freshmen are, since they have huge backpacks." -Brenda Calleros

Three years down, one more to go. Being Juniors, we've come a long way with our future in sight. Although we may have overcome many challenges, we have only begun to experience the challenges that lie ahead of us.

For swimmer Jackie Vavrek, the challenge of going to the Olympics is no longer a dream but a close reality. And, for the Junior football players who helped West Chicago gain a spot in the playoffs for the first time since 1978, the dream of the state championship remains. For others, the challenge of college lies ahead. What colleges will we choose? What professions will we enter? These questions begin to plague us daily.

During our Freshman and Sophomore years, we knew what to expect and we were told what to do. But during our Junior year we have taken our fate into our own hands. We have just begun our life journey, preparing ourselves for Senior year.

With our first prom, we set our own expectations and set our limits. For the first time ever, We Go Juniors sponsored a Prom Fashion Show. With ten Junior models and ten Senior models, the night brought in \$700.00. Mena Gentile, one of the lucky winners of the night, won a one-year membership to Executive Tan. "I was so excited that I won, even though I don't tan too much. Skin cancer is always a good thing!" said Mena. The Prom Fashion show was organized to lower the price of prom tickets and to have better gifts for the raffle at All Night Long. The memorable night of our Junior prom took place at the Marriott Hotel in Oakbrook.

Looking back on all the memories from the past three years, we realize how much each person has changed, matured, and grown up. We have formed our own opinions. We are just beginning to explore how we feel and taking responsibility for what we do. Even though we have one year left to our high school journey, we still have many years of adventure and learning ahead of us.

-Krissy Joy, Marissa Mendoza, and Melissa Prusko



Zahara Nasir and Manny Escobedo share a special moment at the Homecoming Dance.

Juan Abundez Nicole Adams Christina Adduci David Aguirre Blanca Alanis



Matt Kuhn ... Show me the money!

Bob Hock, Tom Grove, Robert and Tyler Hempel enjoy comm



Brad Bytof accepts his role as a N Turtle.



Leo Baylor and Robert Jeffery sport

their basketball pride.



"Variety is the spice of life. And i'd rather be paprikal" -Linsey Perez

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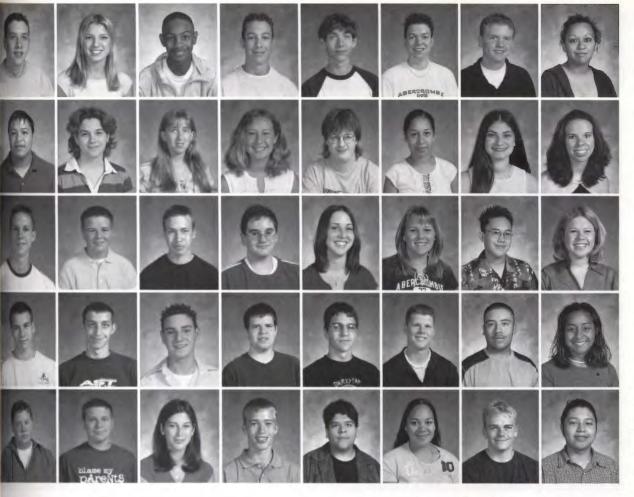
Gerardo Avalos **Brooke Bachelor Crystal Ballines Octavio Ballines** Dawn Barzso

Marissa Mendoza and Sarah Swatsw show off their Junior spirit.



"Aunior year was the start of my cosmetology career." -Lindsey Doerr





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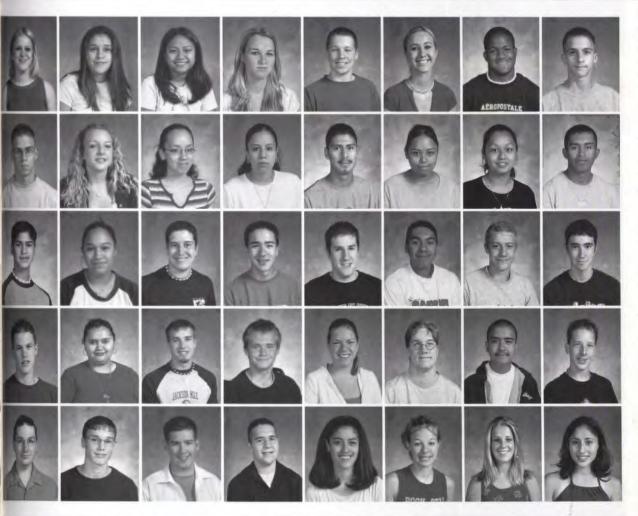
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Ramon Calamia Richard Camp Alyssa Campagnoni Scott Campbell Andres Cantu Elisa Carlos Robert Casey Leodegario Castellanos

"If you don't anderstand someone's viewpoint, walk a mile in his shoes. Then you'll be a mile away from him and you'll have his shoes." -Bill Winter



Megan Castelvecchi Cristal Ceja Sandy Chan Kirsten Chase Richard Chmelik Leah Christiansen Brian Harvey David Chronowski

Michael Chronowski Ericka Coletti Sarah Contreras Nancy Correa Valentin Correa Lucia Cortes Luz Cortes Jovany Cortez

Fabian Cruz Lettecia Cruz Taylor Curran Andrew Dameron Jonathan Daru Hulices Davalos Kiel Day Brandon Deam

Jason Debolt Sandra Delgado Andrew Denniger David Dieter Lindsey Doerr Christopher Dolen Noel Dominguez Karl Donovan

Justin Doyle Kevin Duffy Timothy Dupree Emmanuel Duran Faviola Duran Ashley Edminson Emily Ekstrom Leny Escobedo

The craziest thing ever done for school spirit was wearing diapers to support the Boys' Basketball team. "I wear the diaper in this relationship." - Chase Stearn

Mhat is your favorite quote?

"Abercrombie and Fitch: Proudly tooling American teenagers into chinking people are something they are not sim 1892." -Richard Visser

Nicholas Fairbanks Zachary Farber Kiel Farjeat Dominic Fatigato Danielle Ferrari Zachary Flagg Jonathon Flick Alberto Flores

> Rocio Flores Raul Florian Jorge Fong Joshua Foster Deya Franco Michele Frantzen Maria Gallegos Shana Galto

Ariadna Galvan Sandra Galvan Guadalupe Garcia Jesus Garcia Jose Garcia Kimberly Garcia Liliana Garcia Lorena Garcia

Maria Garfias Stephanie Geissman Mena Gentile Edward Gernand Michael Giese Rodolfo Godinez Darlena Gomez Antonia Gonzalez



"I do like blondes . . ." -Dave Chronowski The pep assemblies "make me happy and prood of We-Go." -Patsy Salgado Homecoming is good because "It helps as remember the real life beroes." -Molig Knaak



"Wearing the uniform three out of five days a week. There is nothing like wearing the SAME thing everyday" -Nina Slafer

Homecoming Quotes

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Jamie Hall Matthew Hancock Chase Hanlock Jeffrey Hansen Daniel Harms Jose Haro Christine Harris Sarah Hasse

Heather Hayes David Heath Zachary Hedger Leigh Hellman Tyler Hempel Ryan Henning Brandon Herbert Christian Hernandez

What is the best part about being a cheerleader?

"Getting my license after turning 161 Ob water 1 DON"T HAVE MY LICENSE!" - Andy Dameron



"Dann . . . I don't remember!" -Sandy Chan "Martssa's ballerina impression!" -Lettecta Cruz



ral friend is one that will stay by you, even if you're acting like a complete fool." -Ariadna Galvan

Junior Year Memories

Nuvia Hernandez Esteban Herrera Stephanie Hicks Nils Higdon Tanya Hisey Elizabeth Hlotke Robert Hock Kathryn Hodge

James Hofmann Brian Holt Benjamin Hoshaw Elisabeth Hoskinson Donnie Jackson Emma Jacob Elizabeth Jacques Robert Jeffery

Jason Jensen Joshua Jeter Enrique Jimenez Andrea Johnson Krista Johnson Lauren Johnston Kristine Joy Ana Jurado

Mark Kaczmarczyk Kelly Karbach Shqipe Kashtanjeva Dianne Keck Jacob Keeley Andrew Kiger Matthew Kimber Molly Knaak

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Katie Knoll Derek Koelsch Cori Koeppen Katelyn Kovac Emily Krauspe Brian Kreml Matthew Kuhn Tami Kuta

Amanda Kvasnicka Allyson Laloggia Dustin Lamczyk Amanda Lane Candace Laramie Ashley Lasiowski Seyda Lavariega Ieff Lawson

Fabiola Leal Karla Leonard Michael Letts Brian Lillie Hillary Lim Erin Linsenmeyer Michael Liszka Lauren Loek

Michelle Loerzel Janine Loewe Eber Lopez Fabiola Lopez Jose Lopez Gregory Luebker Blanca Macias Tracy Macias

What is a real friend to you?

SAY WHAT? "Call me Johnny Dangerous." -Noel Dominguez "Know your role and shut your mouth." -Gerardo Avalos

Hillary Maloney Benjamin Mancera Lorena Mansera Peter Mantz Roger Maritote Lisa Martin Nicholas Martinello **Jose Martinez**

Jessica Mascarella Robert Mason Ryan Masschelin Courtney Mathias Patric Matysiewski Todd McComb Michael McInerney Julie McKee

Rachael McKenney James McKinlay Robert McLaren Ryan McQueen Breandan McTighe Brian Means Katie-Lynn Melbourn Marissa Mendoza

What was the best part of junior year?

"Cancelling the European History Tour and sending us to Australial" - Ertk Nelson

"Once I found \$5.00 on the floor, but that's about it." -Andrew Kiger

Alejandra Mercado Kimberli Meyerholz Matthew Mikes Megan Millard **Ryan Mims** Juana Montalvo Christine Moody Jessica Morrison

Salazar

school.

Kimberly Mueller Mayra Munoz Sandra Munoz **Timothy Murrey** Zahara Nasir Erik Nelson Ryan Nelson Ryne Neltnor

> **Kevin Nichols Jose Nieves** Luis Nieves Amy Norman Alethea Norton Steven Nota Jill Novak Anna Nubie





Above: Angelica Right: Junior girls take a rest from the and Guadalupe Mo-**Botany Field Trip at** rales work in Navy Pier. commons before





SAY WHAT? "Roar, look at me with my monstrous finger extensions." -Leigh Hellman "I like big butts and I cannot lie." -Elisa Carlos

"The thing I will miss most about dantor year is knowing that I only have one year left." -Melissa Prasko







Left: These girls cheer on the Varsity Football team at the Playoff Game.

Above: Amy Norman and Raina William "paws" in the hall before school. Casimiro Ocampo James O'Connor Eric Oglanian Jose Olague Jose Olague Noe Olague Christina Orda Mark Orseno

Nancy Ortega Delia Padilla Kim Palka Brett Palmer Guillermo Pantoja Nikesh Patel Tito Pedraza Jenna Pelej

Alberto Perez Guillermo Perez Israel Perez Yadira Perez David Peterson Larry Petrie Tyler Piech

What was the best part of junior year?

"Turning 17 and no longer baving a <u>legal</u> curfew!" -Amy Norman

"Mrs. Tunt using 'phat," and 'ghetto' in the same sentence." -Chris Soriano

Jillian Pinder Gabriel Pinto Daniel Polacek Julie Polz Joseph Portretow Gregory Prill Melissa Prusko Nicole Puccetti

Jeffrey Puetz Eric Radloff Beth Rakow Jeffrey Raymond Kristen Redden Bradley Rehmus Melissa Resendiz Sean Reynolds

David Reynolds Jr Judith Reza Robert Rhodes Amanda Ritchie Rachel Rivera Salvatore Rizzo Ariana Robles Kristen Rocha

"Whose bair is longer mine or Brian's?" -Jake Keeley

We worst quality is that I am indecisive, or that I am a procrastinator, no that I am indecisive ... can I get back to goo?" - Adriana Vargas

Juniors 103



Ashley Rodgers Kailey Rohrdanz Allyssa Rosalez Kimberly Rovtar Jose Rubio Maria Rubio Brian Ruetsche Asalia Ruiz

Jaqueline Ruiz Felipe Salazar Jose Salinas Bridgette Sanzeri Juan Sarellana Paola Sarellana Carl Sauter Carrie Savaglio

Michael Savegnago Heather Schadeberg Morgan Schar Jared Schneider Paul Schwabe Stephanie Schwabe

Lindsay Scott Mary Selby Shaila Shallcross Thomas Shanahan Megan Shane Charlott Sharp

Jason Shreeram John Siekmann Adam Sierocuk Stephen Singer Brian Skala Kristin Skogsberg

Tracy Slaga Nina Slater Ryan Smith Michael Smolucha Stephanie Smothers Eduardo Solis Esther Solis Christopher Soriano

Ashley Spindler William Sticksel Melanie Stone Scott Storey Ryan Stuhr Kristine Sullivan Shaina Sullivan Seana Swaback



104 Juniors























Sarah Swatsworth Yolanta Szyszko Jennifer Tan Justin Taylor Laura Tecuatl Steven Thomas Elliott Tinnes Amanda Tollas

Ryan Tomassoni Mark Tonchick Mark Trygar Marlene Uy Guadalupe Valdez Adriana Vargas Jorge Vargas Jacqueline Vavrek

Carlos Vazquez Eden Vazquez Ulises Vazquez Leticia Villa Jose Villafuerte

Patrick Virnich Richard Visser Jorie Vlach Chris Volpe Kristin Voss

Kristopher Walski Jessica Warbiany Kenneth Wasiqi Amanda Weier Alexander Wemple

Margaret Werle Samuel West Danielle Wieczorek Rebecca Wilkening Raina William Kelly Williams Ryne Wilson Bill Winter

Kristin Wolfe Jarett Worth Salome Yigzaw Luis Zacatzi Renato Zagal Dennis Zavala Julie Zimmermann Danielle Zirbes



Juniors 105



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106 Juniors



































"I like Spring because I like to listen to the thunderstorms in April." -Becky Bonarek (*05)

"I like Spring because it's not too warm, and you can sit outside for lunch." -Alex Schneider (*06) "I like Spring because it gets warmer, and you can wear cuter outfits." -Lee Corning ("04)

"April showers bring May flowers!" -David Kelsey ('06)

-David Kelsey (*06)

"I like Spring because it's almost summer!" -Laura Hahn (*05)

"[1 like Spring because] the weather is warm, and there are a lot of flowers!" -Alanso Canargo (*05) "I like Spring because I am able drive mg 5.0 with the top dow -Gilberto Calleros ("04)

"When it rains outside I tend to with the worms that have washed up an drivewar Then I make mud castles them." -Ashley Peterson ("05)

Springing

Sunny days, warm rainstorms, and fresh flowers were missing in the first few days of spring. Instead, chilly days, a few inches of fresh snow and talk of the war in Iraq welcomed students back from Spring Break. Fortunately, all was not lost for the resilient Wildcats.

Eventually, the sun came out, as did the shorts and flip-flops so long forgotten. Cleats, bats, and racquets were once again stored in lockers and the excitement of summer lingered in the air. Students began to count down the days until the end of the school year - for the seniors, the end of high school altogether.

The Wildcats' work was not done yet. The ever-creative Mr. McCarthy's marketing class organized another school-wide event. Students arranged baseball games against Joliet Catholic (ESC) and Naperville Central (DVC), and West Chicago (DVC) and Benet Academy (ESC). The DVC/ESC donated all its profits to the children of those who lost parents in the Columbia Space Shuttle tragedy of March 2003.

"It was a lot of fun. We helped organize almost everything, but it was worth it. We couldn't have done it without Mr. McCarthy's help though. I hope this becomes an annual event. We made over \$2000!" said Lindsay Nash (104).

-Lilli Cassidy



Joe Tumidalsky ('03) sky dives over Texas during his vacation.



Mrs. Laimins' students decorate her room for the end of the year.



Jonathan Hall ('05) daydrei about summer while sporting h spring apparel.



Shelley Lullo ('06) tries to sta awake for the last moments of her freshman year.

"Walking outside in the rain and getting wet is the best part of Spring. Of course, not having an umbrella in a

"The birds sing in the morning." -Abby Gerwin (*05)

"[The best part about Spring] is the beginning of the countdown to the last days of school." -Hope Vock (*08)

ring because school is almost ad i get to <u>pl</u>ay badminton!" -Summer Hassan(*05)

my and you can go outside and have fun!" -**friselda Gomez (*05)** "I like Spring becuase I don't have to wear a jacket, and it's nice outside." -Ketth Hund (*05)

"I like Spring because school's almost out and I can play pickup games all day." -Jon Fisher(*05) "I like that Spring is warmer than winter so you can go outside easier." -Justus Taylor (*08)

"I just gosh darn love Spring so very much because it just looks so super pretty outside." -Lana Paulsen (*05)

Forward



me ('05) decorate a cake.



Peter Kiger's ('06) ears perk up as he hears the last bell.



to have fun on a rainy day. 1. Go shopping 2. Watch a movie 3. Splash in puddles 4. Talk on the phone 5. Listen to music 6. Just chill

How



Volpe ('04) finishes a book to the pleasure of his Enleacher.



Dan DeLort ('03) and Jason Sulzar ('04) study hard for finals.

downpour is always fun... On a particularly rainy day, I play the blues on my guitar." -Josh Foster ('04)

Hit the Runway with INR. WILDCAT

Everyone knows about the Miss America Pageant, but what about West Chicago's own Mr. Wildcat Contest? On April 11, 2003, eight senior males strutted their stuff in the auditorium for the 10th annual coronation of Mr. Wildcat, sponsored by the varsity cheerleaders. After entertaining the audience and serenading a young woman, Derek Jensen was crowned the 2003 Mr. Wildcat. All eight participants performed and participated in interviews to determine who deserved to wear the crown.

The 2003 candidates included Emmanuel Vasquez, Simon Blanco, Sean Warren, Alex Baker, Derek Jensen, Tom Aguirre, Michael Martinez, and Patrick Baur. The second runner up, Mike Martinez, performed a skit of Chris Farley's called "Matt Foley." The first runner up, Sean Warren, displayed his musical talent by singing "Razzle Dazzle" from the hit movie musical *Chicago*. And the man declared 2003 Mr. Wildcat, Derek Jensen, sang a remix of the Backstreet Boys while asking a young lady from the audience for a date. The hilarious hosts, Ashley Mazzola and Jacob Delort, made the night exciting and memorable for everyone. -Christine Hendron



Future Mr. Wildcat Jensen is helped by his "posse" of Blanco, Delort, Baur, and Vazquez while asking out Beth Fawkes, his future girlfriend.







Baker delivers a stirring medley of '80s songs, including "The Boss."

Aguirre bares his soul and a lot more he sings for the crowd.



Baur opens the show by twirling a staff and attempting to breakdance.



MCs Mazzola and Delort occupy the crowd between skits.



Blanco delivers his own rap-infused version of "Too Good to Be True" with due including Vazquez, Warren, Jensen, and Baur.



lbat was your favorite

talent act?

-Emmanuel Vazquez (*03)

ortous." -Carrie Gallimore (*03)

"We should split that crown 8 different ways because we're all winners." -Simon Blanco (*08)



What was your favorite part of the contest?

Mg talent was by far my fav." -Michael Martinez (*03)

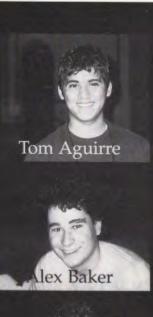
"Mg favorite part was definitely seeing all of the reactions to everything from the crowid." -Sean Warren (*08)



unestants anxiously await the judges' final decisions and kill time by thanking the and, thanking their parents and sending out belated birthday wishes.



Warren dazzles the crowd with his powerful voice.

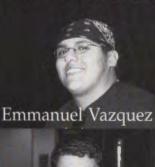
















no wows the crowd with his rhymes



Fostering patriotic sentiments is easy for fatigue-clad Jensen. After waving the flag, he falls to his knees in *Bravehart* fashion, screaming "Freedom!"

On May 15, 16, and 17, the Weyrauch Auditorium was transformed from Chicago style weather to beautiful sunny South

Pacific weather. With a cast of 48 students, directors Mary Hafertepe, Melissa Bortnik and Brandon Fantozzi presented this classic tale of love and discrimination. The musical focuses on Marines and Sailors from World War Two stationed in the South Pacific. who find themsleves lonely and far from their wives. "We've got sunlight on the sand, we've got moonlight on the sea," these thirteen sailors sing in the song "There is Nothing Like a Dame." These men soon find that their mood changing when they meet the new nurses stationed with them.

The head nurse Ms. Nellie Forbush, played by Susan Lincoln (*03), introduces the romantic conflicts in the play when she leads the nurses in singing "I'm Gonna Wash that Man Right Out-a My Hair." She feels this way after she meets Frenchman Emile de Becque, played by Andy Dameron (*04). They guidkly find one thing in common, they are in love. The conflict arises when Nellie finds out that Emile has two children with a Polynesian woman. Nellie, a Southern belle from Arkansas, disapproves of Emile's actions, but quickly realizes that the two are in love and she sings "A Wonderful Guy" with all the nurses supporting her. Unfortunately, Nellie has little time for Emile since she is putting together a Thanksgiving show for all of the Marines and Soldiers. She and Luther Billis, John Hall (105), plan the show together and in the process, Billis develops a little crush for Nellie.

Another story unfolds when the new lieutenant Joe Cable, Michael Treachler (103), relocates to the South Pacific. He meets a native woman named Bloody Mary, Kristin Koltz (103), and she introduces him to her daughter Liat, Marlene Uy ('04). After a night of romance, Cable realizes that they cannot live together. Liat vows that she will marry no one except Cable. Unfortunately for her, after Cable is sent on a mission with Emile, he suffers a tragic death. Emile makes it back to find Nellie taking care of his son and daughter. All ends well for the two of them and for the cast of South Pacific. The show was truly a huge success.



What was the best line or song from the plan?

"I turned, and he said to me. I am going to kill you now -Dave Taylor (*06)

"He'll jump out of his skin!" "I would like to see this kind of jump! Come on!" -Andy Dameron ('04)

"I do enjoy 'You've got to be Carefully Taught.' It's a that can be sung with powerful emotion." -Jesse Lord 7'08)



Song List

"Dites-Moi" - Ngana and Jerome "A Cockeyed Optimist" - Nellie "Twin Soliloquies" - Nellie and Emile "Some Enchanted Evening" - Emile "Bloody Mary" - Sailors "There is Nothin' Like a Dame" - Sailos "Bali Ha'i" - Bloody Mary "I'm Gonna Wash that Man Right Out-a M Hair" - Nellie and Nurses



Nellie (Lincoln) and Billis (Hall) put on a show for all the Marines.



-Sean Warren

Sailor (Ian Rewers '05) brings Captain Brackett (Mike Giese '04) a special delivery.



What did you like about this musical the most?

"I was in it, so being a part of it was more fun than just watching it." -Bill Witniter (*04)

"The people. Some you'd laugh with, some you'd laugh at, and others made you laugh!" -Jaff Hansen (*04)

"Dave Taylor playing a little kid. It was so hilarious." -Ian Rewers (*05)



"A Wonderful Guy" - Nellie and Nurses "Younger than Springtime" - Cable "Happy Talk" - Bloody Mary and Liat "Honey Bun" - Nellie, Billis, and Stage Ensemble "You've Got to be Carefully Taught" - Cable "This Nearly was Mine" - Emile

"Finale Ultimo" - Emile, Nellie, Ngana, and Jerome



Cable (Treachler) holds onto Liat (Uy) as he dreams about their life together.



"Aren't you just the cutest things I ever saw?"asks Nellie (Lincoln)as she first sees Emile's (Dameron) children.





Bloody Mary (Koltz) sings about how life would be for Cable (Treachler) here on Bali H'ai.



After the dinner party, Emile (Dameron) and Nellie (Lincoln) get to know each other better.

South Facili



Who was the best dressed?

Cherish The Moment

Couples Dance Toward A Magical Night

It's monumental and unforgettable. It's glitz, it's romance, and it's one last fling with all our friends – it's Prom.

On May 23rd 2003, the Junior Class transformed the Oakbrook Marriott to behold couples from the high school and to make the night worthy to be cherished. Due to their efforts, Prom 2003 will not be forgotten.

The Junior Class Student Council worked hard to areate an unforgettable Prom. For the first time West Chicago hosted a Prom Fashion show. Ten Juniors and ten Seniors wolked down the stage modeling Prom wear. At the end of the night, the organizers of the night raffled off prizes to the audience. These prizes included free prom tickets and a year membership to Executive Tan. All proceeds went to help make Prom tickets more affordable and to help have better gives ways at All Night Long.

"Everything I Do, I'll Do For You" by Bryon Adams was the song of the night Couples danced their way through a magical night, even right through the restart of the Prom song by the DJ, "It was the best night of my high school experience," said Junior Linsey Perez.

-Melissa Prusko



Prom Queen Laura Baumruck and King Elliott Tinnes ('04) their crowning moment toge



Last year's Prom King Joe King ('03) and Queen Aimee Beuth push through the crowd.



Juniors Mena Gentile, Jennifer Tan, Karly Leonard, Molly Knaak, and Kim Palka share a moment of their Junior Prom together.



Bridget Geraghty ('05) and Tumidalsky ('03) rock.

"Kristen Voss ('04) looked the best. Her hair and dress went so well together!" -Kirsten Chase ('04) "Jenna Pelej ('04). Her dress was so cutel She looks the best. She is such a cutiel." -Linsey Perez ('04) "Heather Coakley ('04). She made her dress. It was amazing!" -Sean Warren ('04)



niors Hans Moscicki, Melissa Lund, Justin Howshaw Sophomore Meghan Dalton pause before returning the dance floor.

Senior sisters Lourdes and Luzmarie Tlatehiu share a Prom experience together.



sed for success! Mr. Highland and the other members of the administration join in the Prom fun.

Top Ten Ways TAsk Someone To Prom

- lisk in a foreign language line people hold up posters in the hall that flowers in her locker but an ad in the school newspaper lisk with glow-in-the-dark stars lisk at a sporting event through a cheer
- 4.) Do a scavenger hant of clues 3.) Put an announcement in student announcements
- 2.) Make a movie
- And the Number One way to ask someone to Prom is ...
- 1.) Through a song. Either change the lurics to a song or write your own



ndin' the love are Tim Murrey ('04) and Eric Oglanian ('04).



Nick Chillemi ('03) and Liz Brosseau ('03) take a break from eating dinner.



Julie Polz ('04) and Bridgette Sanzeri ('04) clean up nice.











Who was the cutest couple?

"Laura Baumrucker and Jake Keeley." -Mena Gentile (*04) "Me and Brett." -Mary-Beth Selby (*04) "Ashley Rodgers and her guest." -Lisa Martin (*04) Soaring To New Height



Laura Hahn ('05) relaxes and pre-

pares to smack the birdie.

Smadel The 2002-2003 West Chicago Badminton season began with a winning shutout. By dominating their first match against Streamwood, they showed their determination to win. The team went 15-0 on both the JV and Varsity levels, proving themselves to be tenacious athletes ready to compete.

Coached by Ms. Donovan, Ms. Gilgallan, and Mr. Caltagirane, the team rase above the usual lack of attention for the sport. The team put a birdle into the mouths of those who doubted them by arushing the competition. "Badminton is a sport not a hobby!" exclaimed Gema Garcia (06).

"Badminton is just as good as any other SPORT. We play hard and actually win. Badminton, love!" said Sarah Swatsworth (104), a varsity player. Ashley Rawls (105) added, "It's a lot of work, but it's worth it at the end."

The Birdie-Bashing Lady Cats of 2003 changed everyboody's opinion of Badminton. Simply by putting their hearts into their play, they earned the respect and wins they deserved. -Adilene Chavez



Stephanie Smothers ('04) for the birdie, winning her against Plainfield.



Freshmen Front: Nick Caltagirone, Adriana Perez, Naiya Panchal, Maria Espinoza, Noemi Delgado, Kellie Virnich, Corrie Gilgallon 2nd: Terri Molo, Jen Elliott, Jenny Linsenmeyer, Sarah Humphries, Elena Suarez, Jodi Donovan Back: Lupe Carrasco, Cassie Kleczewski, Marisa Nichols, Danielle Pappas, Brittany Rose, Gema Garcia.



JV Front: Pam Martin, Amanda Massih, Corrie Gilgallon, Nick Calagirone, Jodi Donovan, Suzan Rizk, Sheila Hasselberger 2nd: Rebecca Kimber, Megan Millars, Salorne Yigzaw, Ashley Rawls, Summer Hassan, Justine Egert Back: Kyle Heiden, Briana Jakubik, Kelsey Lesniak, Abby Gerwin, Danielle Freebern, Meghan Dalton.



Varsity Front: Jodi Donovan, Sarah Swatsworth, San Alison Dahl, Corrie Gilgallon 2nd Row: Sarah Ah Stephanie Smotheers, Ashley Egert, Morgan Schar Ia Brosseau, Sandy Edlund, Fawn Montag, Nick Calt

"Bīrdīe-WackersI" -Alīson Dahl('08)



Liz Brosseau ('03) concentrates on delivering the perfect serve.



Above: Sandy Below: Meghan Edlund ('03) ap- Dalton ('05) preproaches the pares to serve. birdie, dropping it with ease.



"Smack it good!" -Kelsey Lesniak (*06)



Briana Jakubik ('05) follows through after a ing a message to her opponent.



Masschelin ('04) makes the e of tennis look easy.



Peter Espinoza ('04) sends the ball over the net and follows through with his hips.



Michael Weiss ('05) delivers a swift backhand to his opponent.



Roger Maritote ('04) puts his game face on and is ready for any hit.







er a day full of well-executed atches, the guys line up for a st-match meeting.

West Chicago players rule the game

Standing on the court, anticipating the return from the opposing player, and suddenly-SMASH! Here it comes, bouncing a foot ahead and immediately makes contact with the racquet. The strong backhand crushes the ball, thrusting it towards the opponent. The goal for the match accomplished: Victory for West Chicago!

When asked how the team gets pumped up for a match, Reyes Gonzalez replied, "We tell jokes and play Mafia!" Not only does the team goof off to get prepared, but they also work hard during practices as early as seven in the morning on Saturdays.

With a few returning champions and training from Coach Lemberg-Finn and Coach Moeaki, the team challenged themselves to become the best. Junior Ryan Masschelin's effort paid off as he led the team in the singles matches for the varsity team

As it came close to the end of the year, the height of the season was upon the Wildcats the Dupage Valley Conference tournament. The team ended with spirits and excitement for the coming year.

-Lilli Cassidy

Coach Moeaki shows the team how it's done.

> "Tennis for Littfffel" -Roan Masschelin (*04)

"It's not the size of the dog in the match, it's the size of the match in the dog." -Brian Hold ('04)



Gil Valenzuela, Julien Benter, Coach Lemberg-Finn, Coach i, Coach Martin, Michael Weiss, and Eric Steere. **1st row:** Benter, David Vann, Michael Kuzmicz, Jeff Burgess, Michael d, Cesar Nunez, and Peter Espinoza **Back:** Robert Conard, Infanger, Eric Gotkowski, Reyes Gonzalez, Joe Blackburn, Maritote, Jeff Cisowski, Ryan Masschelin, and Brian Holt.

Tennis rocks my world!" -Joe Blackburn (*05)

"Tennts is the greatest sport ever!" -Roger Marttote ('04)

"To be big, go big!" -Mike Weiss (*05)

"I had an awesome trip being on the tennis team this year." -Julien Benter ('05) Tennis just wouldn't be tennis, without Mr. Mo_" -Cesar Namez (*05)

"H's a very intense sport that requires lots of time and effort, but it's definitely worth it?" -Robert Canard ("05)

Huddle up! The team gets pumped up and ready for the next match with encouraging advise from Coach Moeaki.



Heading For Home





Dan Harms ('04) gets up on his toes and prepares to steal third.

The team was great.

We always picked

each other up if

something went

wrong."

Scott Sieder ('03) slides under the catcher's unsuccesful tag, and is safe at home.

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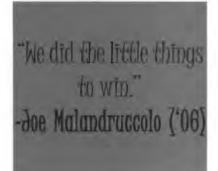


Ted Gernand ('04) jumps of waiting for the pitch to go.

"Good luck, guys hope you do welli "the future." **Tony Balsman** (%



Two Wildcats listen to the ampire for the call on the play.





The varsity learn gets up on the fence to support the batter, and watch the pitcher's move.

"Our team worked to-

gether great and we

look like we want to

WID."

-Chris Prochnow('06)

"We started slow but, in the end we came Obrough for ourselves and the team." -Larry Pope (*06)



Andy Denniger (TE) asks adva couch before stealing horse

"The season was go and I can't wait for sophomore year who get to go back" -Mike Tunk (*06)



First Tiller Damerson, Derson Richa, Courth Bill Bicker, Couch Clay Reagan, Nick Note, and Ton Sell Proc. Innov., Ray Letz, Viewer Groes, Chris Proctimow, Bob Vondreich, Jarred Vatidiauskas, and Middler Den Franzik, Janua Jarreson, John Vodney?, Matt Robus Verter Salazar, and Bran Rossell. "Mandrum Je, Dan Franzik, Janua Methodisch, Larre Pupe, Trave, Swelle, Mike Tenik, Tim Polacek."



Sophomore Front: Evan Skarin, Ryan Woodhury, Coach Eric Lasky, Danny Eckler, Ind Junathan Leitherer. 2nd: Austin Curren, Mike Hanrehan, Danny Liszka, and Steve Buck: Back: Austin Monroe, John Goode, Nick Lelito, Chris Jones, and Ryan Morris.



Kaylor (*03) chases a inter as shortstop for an out ared base.





Front: Assistant Crooch Dan McCarthy, Frank Guernero, Justin Taylor, Matt Peterson, T. Shanahan, Arutrew Hish, Scott Sasder, Coach Hogh Stott, Endt Andy Denniger, John Weier Mike Laszka, Hend Cuach Jaim Walters, Arnur Morrie, Dan Kaylur, Dan Denisch, Back Sean Zieche, Ted Gernand, Luise Martin, Dan Harnis, Tom Grove: Rich Miller, and Pau Maichrowska. Scott Sieder ('03) holds tight for a hit to him, to make the final out.



wohan ('04) awaits the call wants from his cathcher.

is baseball, what else can you say!" -M**att Rohn (*06)**



[7] Shanahan ('04) throttles a high speed strike to the outside corner.

"My time in baseball bas

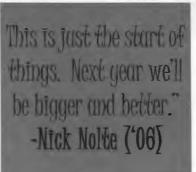
been very rewarding

and I want to go on."

-Marth Schneider (*06)

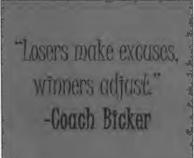


Scott Sieder (103) goes for an easy coop to complete the inning.





Scott Sieder (*03) makes the cut and whips the ball back to first for an out.



Rebuilding the

"PLAY BALL!"

With these two words, the umpire signaled the start of the Lady Wildcats Softball season, and the runs began to roll in. The Ladycath opened the season up with a slew of non-conference games before hitting the big time. All final up and ready to go, Varsity came bad, with a vengeance, wanting revenge from the disappointments of last season. They were ready to annihilate any team who tried to stop them from attaining the one thing they wanted most the DVC Conference championship title. Striving to be the best team out there wan't easy. These girls had just two weeks to test the waters before diving head first into a schedule of non-stop games. "A former coach once told us to play to win, not to not lose. This year we took the advice to accomplish what we could," said four year player Brandi Ruz (103).

The Varsity team had high expectations for the season with the nine returning players from last year. Players returning from last year include: Kelly McCarthy Kristi Nickelson, Jessica Krueger Brandi Ruiz and Kailey Rohrdanz who all brought experience and skill to strengthen the infield. Meanwhile, Heather Mosteller, Katie Walker, Heather Barron and Elyse Barron, all brought their speed, knowledge, and experience back to the outfield for their final season. Newcomers included Juniors Krista Johnson Marissa Mendoza, Emily Ekstroim, Krissy Joy Kim Rovtar and Sachomore Brandi Bodie.

"It really took a lot of time, and dedication to compete with the best teams in the conference. We won as a team and lost as a team, having faith in every player to get the job done!" said Kim Rovtar 104)

-Krissy Joy





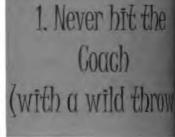




The Rules



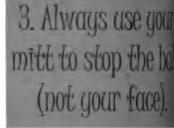
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Road to Success





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Front: Kristin Borsodi, Heidi Colliander, Peggy Saul, Alyssa Claude, Jenny Robertson 2nd: Volunteer Coach Tom Cheehy, Amanda Kennedy, Carolyn Wostratzky, Kari Johnson, Kayla Kramer, JV Coach Fred Ruiz Back: Chelsea Deitz, Bridget Rood, Dana Hernan, Kim Norman, Ashley Saville.



a perfect stance, Junior Emily Ekstrom prepares for the play.



Front: Bethany Inch, Ashley Vargas, Freshman Coach Heather Goebel, Dana Smith, Eileen Reedy 2nd: Katie Denson, Whitney Link, Marilyn Jacques, Danielle Romano, Carol Fortman Back: Veronica Beth, Krissy Zieche, Sara Gibbons, Jackie Boyd, Laura Conard, Katie Roberts.

"Wildcats' Softball Tearin' Up The D.V.C. in 20031"









Heading into a Great Season

To the women of the Community High School's soccer team, playing soccer is the most wonderful thing in the world. For these midfielders, defenders, forwards, and goalies who have been playing soccer for years, the game is not just a sport, but life. During the 2003 season, these women kicked butt in the DVC and showed their competitors who's boss. Before the season even began, team members endured a grueling first week of practice, in which they had to report to school by 5:30 a.m. to stretch, run, and sweat. But the training paid off as they dominated their opponents with their moves on the soccer field.

Part of the soccer team's success stemmed from the camaraderie among the teammates. As the team rode on the bus to various matches, mischief reigned as the girls sang songs, chanted, and waved to strangers. But that wasn't the only thing wonderful about girls' soccer, it was the amount of effort and real bonds they shared as a team.

-Lettecia Cruz









Alyssa Campagnoni displays great ball handling skills as she traps a ball from a fellow team member.

Mandy Wessman shows great det nation in getting the ball down their to get the game going.













What has been the funniest moment in soccer?

" Seeing Mary Hesterman kick Bruno with the soccer ball." -Vicki Lawn (*05)

" It had to be when Nicole got her head stuck in the net!" -Lindsey Wonsowski ('08)





In mie Castillo, Maritza Mendoza, Ana Sazatzi, Maricela Ballines, Alyssa Santiago, We Vela, Katie Boland 2nd Row: Leny Escobedo, Angie Losacco, Asst. Coach new Sanchez, Coach Bruno Owens, Coach Bang Nguyen, Lettecia Cruz, Conches iz 3d Row: Daisy Chavez, Carissa Adamson, Vicki Lawn, Jill Musick, Yesenia Indez, Samantha Corriero Back Row: Dana Yormark, Stephany Vasquez, Sarah JAmy Ackerman, Ceci Benitez, Eliza Hamilton, Katie Taylor.



After seeing a play go wrong Bruno is always there to tell the girls what they have done wrong and how to do the play right.



Front: Daisy Trujillo, Coach Bang Nguyen, Asst. Coach Bob Owens, Coach Francisco Sanchez, Melissa Pasindo 2nd Row: Francisca Ramirez, Aida Hernandez, Taylor Alperin, Alany Santillan, Maria Cuevas Back Row: Maria Macias, Vareliana Ballines, Shannon Myers, Mary Hesterman, Haleigh Moreno, Nina Galto.





mo and his JV girls sure know how to dtheir day with a "1...2...3 Wildcats."

What's the best thing about girls' soccer?

" The best thing is that we all have a sister-like bond." -Rachel Kuna (*08)

> "We like to have funI Rock onVarsity soccer!" -Ashley Lastowskt ('04)

Messages to Brano...

-"It's been great to coach with you for the last few years. We had some great times. Good Luck!" -Coach Antonio Del Real

-"Sorry I was always late." -Vicki Lawn (*06)

-"You have been a great coach, an excellent teacher, and an inspiration to me. Your lessons in soccer will never be forgotton. Best wishes to you in your future." -Katie Taylor (*08)

-"I love ya Dawg." -Sam Corriero (*05)





Wow! Almost the whole JV girls' soccer team groups together for the end of the year photo.



Jason Becker(04') flies through the air trying to beat his opponent to the finish line

What are your individual goals for this spring season?

Getting 3rd or better in conference, or being able to go to state for the high jump -Mike Savegnago(04)

"Having a great final season with the team. -Mike Doll ('08)

Did any one lose his shoes?



With a little bit to go, Andy Kiger picks up his pace.



Boys Track and Field 124



West Chicago's Boys' Track and Field Team went wild this season with enthusiasm and encouragement from the top Varsity athlete to the newest freshman. With a few key elements missing from last season, these boys gave it their all and carried West Chicago's name high in the air.

Not only were the practices different, but they had new coaches this year. Coach Paul Ford and Coach Mike Mittman joined the Wildcats for the first time and helped the team achieve its goals. Some of these accomplishments included winning the Geneva Invitational where they placed 2rd the previous year. Each member of the track team also worked to attain his own individual goals. Senior Mike Doll accomplished his personal best time in the 100m with a time of 14.5 seconds.

"It has been a good year, and we have done some things that I did not know that the track team could do," said Ryan Henning (O4"). Although they had some changes on the team, this did not stop them from having a great season.

Wyatt Schuyler(03') led the Wildcats, being one of two returning state qualifiers along with fellow senior Joe Klingberg. Top performers on Varsity were Mike Savegnago (04') in the high jump, Mark Foote (03') in 400 m, and Mike Doll in hurdles.

"The best part of the season was winning high jump at County at 6'2", but my forgetfulness makes track fun – 1 almost missed my 100 m race and my 4x100 all at the same meet," said Savegnago. The team fought hard to gain recognition in the DVC and respect at their own school, and they prevailed. Through sweat, strength, and speed, the

2003 Boys Track and Field Team made sure it was a season for the record books.

-Mercedes Castro



Senior Wyatt Schuyler flings the disk as hard as he can during a practice.

> What is your favorite memory from This past season?

Mark Foote killed a baby squirel -Derek Jensen (*08)

> "Joe Klingberg tans" -Mark Foote("08)

Nick Bernard ('03) flies toward his goal.



There goes Manny Escobedo('04) ! What a jump!





Front Manny Escobedo, Coach Paul Omi, Head Coach Paul McLeland, Coach Mittman, Coach Randy Zeitler, Coach Paul Ford, Manager Sam Kleczewski 2nd: Kevin Duffy, Mark Trygar, Joe Klingberg, Vicente Fernandez, Elliott Tinnes, Zach Farber, MikeSmolucha, Ryan Henning, MikeSavegnago Middle: Brad Bytof, Jeff Raymond, Pat Baur, Mark Foote, Wyatt Schuyler, Adam Vann, Emmanuel Camargo, Nick Bernard Back: Andy Kiger, Sean Reynolds, Derek Jensen, Mike Doll, Richard Visser, Zach Hedger, Jason Becker, Scott Storey, Tim Murrey



Adam Vann(03'), Rob Casey(04'), and Ryan Henning(04') look at how much potential their teammates have.



ek Jensen('03) heads toward the finish showing his determination.



One of the runners shows his teammates what a true Wildcat can do.



Senior Mike Doll jumps up and down while preparing to start his competition.



mHenning('04) measures the sus's distance.

Tennings('05) predicts how far will throw for a winner.



oung at his final steps Richard ser ('04) runs to meet his goal.







Fresh-Soph Front:Nathan Villegas, Bruce Guevara, Dung Nguyen, Jordan Meissner, Kyle Frank 1st Row:Sam Kieczewski, Coach Paul Omi, Coach Mittman,Coach Randy Zeitler, Coach Jeff Ford, Head Coach Paul McLeland 2nd : Tom Harwood, Erik Hernandez, Mike Casey, Chris Kane, Andrew Bass, Dale Staton 3rd:Frank Anderson, Jim Siekmann, John Doeseckle, Seamus Joyce-Olson, Miles Lincoln, Anthony McNerney, Odilon Vicens 4th: Joe Harte, Greg Callahan, Ken Tinnes, Chris Bodane, Ryan Funderburk, Dan Visser Back: Paul Flores, Brad Murison, John Jennings, Jeff Gilbert, Mike Liddicoatt, Eric Franckowiak, George Visser



Andy Kiger ('04) running head to head with his opponent, smiles as he approaches the finish line.

Mike Savegnago('04) carries the baton in one handto the finish line.



Dung Nguyen ('06) takes a wild leap into the air.







Amanda Weier ('04) heads towards the finish of the 4x400 relay.



Rachel Slattery ('05) prepares to vault. She is a 2-year state qualifier in this event.

What's the best part about the track & field team?

"Being with other girls who take the sport seriously, yet let the fun times happen." -Lauren Buscent (*06)

"Working hard for a good time and succeeding." -Amanda Weter (*04)

Why did you decide to join the track team?

"I joined because I like the challenges and wanted to meet new people." -Erica Liepins ("08)

"Because I like to run and wanted to get in shape!" -Vicky Moungkhounsavath (*05)



The Girls Track and Field team started their 2003 season off on the right track. With sixty-five members on the team, practically double from last year, the girls demonstrated significant improvements.

At the beginning of the season, Head Coach Katerina Claiborne was very eager for the competitions to begin. "I can't wait till the meets start. Last year we had an amazing season despite all of the illnesses and injuries, and this year our team has grown so much and already is looking so much stronger," said Claiborne.

Senior captains Katy Kostal and Jessica Cwiak led the team through the season. Numerous pasta parties and bonding events helped the girls get through the stress and exhaustion brought on by meets. Step by step, the running lady cats accomplished their goals.

The girls accomplished one major goal at Indoor DVC, by placing 4th on both levels and yielding many personal best performances. Both place finishes were improvements from the previous year.

Highlights from the outdoor season invitationals include the junior varsity team finishing first at the Raider Invite, while on the varsity level the team finished second at both the Raider and Ram Invites.

By the time the girls reached outdoor DVC, they were ready to put their months of training to use. The Varsity team finished in 5th place, while the Junior Varsity team finished in 6th place.

One week after the DVC Invitational, the Varsity team was ready for their peak meet, sectionals, which was held at Kaneland High School. The team qualified four individuals and one relay for the state meet held at Eastern Illinois University. The 800 Medley Relay team of DeAnne Fitzenrider and Jessica Cwiak along with Lauren Anders and Laura Baumrucker qualified with a time of 1:52.1 seconds. In addition to the relay, Anders qualified in teh 100m hurdlers and Baumrucker in the 400m dash. Distance runners Katy Kostal and Christy Adduci also qualified in the 3200m run.

Overall, the season proved to be exciting season on all levels. Many friendships, memories and records were made. All members fo the team deserve recognition for their stellar athletic abilities and abilities to work as a team. -Jessica Cwiak



Madeline Foote ('05) forcefully throut the shot-put at the Raider Invite.



Lauren Anders ('04) leads the way the finish of the 100-hurdle race.

What are some quotes that rental you of track?
"I could, I should, I will." -Abby Cole (1)
"The faster you run, the faster was done." -Katy Kostal (*08)
What was your favorthe meets with
"The Tiger Invite because there are of good teams that we don't norm compete against." -Alyssa Gilberb ("
What was your favortie memory from the season?
"The midnight trips to Friday" -Shelley Krueger (*05)



Drew Krecek ('05) hits the sand after long jumping against Wheaton North.



Megan Forbrook ('05) shows the proper high jumping form.



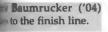
Head Coach Claiborne and Asst. Coach Cortinas take a break from timing races.



Dominique Scott ('03) follows through after throwing the discus.







Foreign exchange student Yuko Otsuka runs the mile.



A group of girls gathers after finishing second at the Glenbard East Invite.



Wiky Moungkhounsavath, Lesley Pielier, Natalie Russo, Stephanie Garcia, Julie Shah, Carmen to, and Leticia Acosta 2nd: Laura Tan, Shelley Krueger, Asst Coach Cortinas, Asst Coach Holmes, Coach Claiborne, Asst. Coach Johnson, Manager Susan Lincoln, Brittney Peters, and Carolyn in 3rd: Kelly Wdowiarz, Megan Andracki, Hilary Ternant, Amanda Weier, Lauren Anders, Giberto, Christy Adduci, Yuko Otsuka, Tracy Opel, and DeAnne Fitzenreider 4th: Maricarmen Gwen Murphy, Bryce Wolfe, Katie Ulin, Jerny Wojcicki, Mallory Sanzeri, Jenna Bedard, Erica & Brianna Harte 5th: Laura Steere, Katy Kostal, Kim Palka, Shannon Fleming, Mary Beth Selby, Mazzola, Tania Dorsey, Madeline Foote, Abby Cole, and Erika Kane 6th: Kayla Halsall, Jessica , Andelina Pazozzo, Lynn Mielke, Aimée Beutke, Kristy Skogsberg, Kadi Flagg, Cori Koeppen, and uphy Back: Carrie Gallimore, Kim Peterik, Amy Infanger, Jessica Cwiak, Laura Baumrucker, Drew Megan Forbrook, Lauren Bucemi, Rachael Slattery, and Kelly Mateas

"This has been one of the best seasons that I am aware of. There were so many upperclassmen with expierence, the team was a lot larger than in years past, and the girls showed a great deal of dedication. When you put those things together, a strong and successful team is formed." -Head Coach Katerina Claiborne.





medley relay team of Baumrucker ('04), Cwiak Itzenrider ('06), and Anders ('04) gather.



Lynn Mielke ('03) spins as she throws the shot put.

LDEATH)

Christy Adduci ('04) escapes the pack in the 4x800.



the ball on the serve.

Evaluating, Executing, Annihilating

-Adriana Vargas



Tysyn Wyman ('03) goes for the block hoping to so the victory point.



Bob Nagel ('03) waits patiently to execute the perfect return.



Front: Varsity Head Coach Kristi Hasty, Bob Nagel, Brian Calabrese, Pablo Herrera, JV Coach Kim Maloney 2nd Row: Zachary Flagg, Steve Thomas, Derek Jensen, Brian Romanelli, Assistant Varsity Coach Steve Brugmann Back: Doug Boyd, Dan Callahan, Tysyn Wyman, Jim Campbell, Chris Vlasvich



Doug Boyd ('04) turns as volleyball heads in his du tion.



Coach Kristi Hasty sets an example for her team as she prepares to set the ball.





Chris Vlasvich ('03) gets postion as the ball comes way.



nt: Jon Crotty. Manager David Bennett. Varsity Head Coach Hasty, JV Coach Kim Maloney, Manager Caroline Hein Saucedo 2nd: Julio Velazquez, David Aguirre, Brian Means, Foytik, Naman Patel Back: CJ Hinojosa, Matt Van Gorkom, e Vlasvich, Dieter Rudolph, Jon Kurtz.

d out for the volleyball team my freshman year. I fell in love with the intensity and of the game and tried out every year since." -Brian Calabrese (*08)







"Being a part of the Varsity team is great, and being friends with everyone on the team helps as stay focused and unified as a group." -Steve Thomas ('04)



Front: Coach Shannon Ptak, Chris Dolan, Dexter Gonzales, Derek Kogut, Head Freshman Coach Joe Foege 2nd: Brian Brewster, Joel Barker, Tony McDaniel, Ryan Pinto Back: Nick Gorski, Adam Schumacher, Evan Serwinski.

Starting A Legacy West Chicago begins its Water Polo story

Stroking in the water, running out of breath, striving to get to the goal. The ball is hit, hearts are beating hard, and water runs down into the pool. The goalie dives to block the ball. But splash, he hits the water hard and in goes the winning goal, Wildcats win! First years are always memorable, and the Wildcat Water Polo Team proved to be no exception to the rule.

"It was fun because no-one expected us to be great, since it was our first year" said Melissa Sheme (103), a varsity captain for the girls" team.

During practices, the team would do warm-ups, lasting for about ten minutes and involving mainly swimming laps the length of the pool. Then the team would learn a few plays and finally have a scrimmage amongst each other. Once the team even challenged the boys' track team in water polo. The track team played valiantly against the water polo team, and took their beating like men, swallowing their pride at the end when they went down to the water polo team.

Swimming Coach Bryan Artel took his chance in a new sport, pounding plays, drills, and tactics into the players' heads. With each practice, he saw the players get a little bit better. And having great team captains like Elizabeth Drzal (103), Melissa Sheme (103), Joel Somers, and C.J. Wostratzky (103), the players assured themselves success.

On stroked the water polo team, through their losses and their wins, forever swimming hard.

-Bob Vondrash



During time-out, Bryan Artel tells the girls what play to run next.



Rachael Slattery ('05) warms up the cool pool.





Rachael Slattery ('05) and Lauren Koontz ('05) anxiously await to start.

Bryan Artel proudly shows his fa lous outfit.



Kristina Sedjo ('05) and Betsy Drzal ('03) stretch themselves out before a demanding game.



The boys water polo team watches and waits for the girls to apprehe victory from the opponents.

"In Water Polo I got to combine my swimming ability with my size and strength." -CƏ Wostratzky ("O

"I really can't say much, but afleast I can tell that we were all getting better as time progresses." -Ismail Hassan (W

130 Water Polo

Leaders of the Pack

What was the most morable event planned by Student Council?

was a lot of fan doing the service wei. I recommend anderolassmen w Student Comett. 16's a lot of fan." -Rachel Rivera (104)

most memorable event would to be prom. dantors planned the this gear I was a part of th." -Patrick Virnich (*04) Imagine all the stress and work that one suffers if rough planning out the perfect prom. Now y arealing the perfect prom for an entire school. Welcome to Student Council in addition to the main floers, the student council consists of ten representatives from each dass. The council macazed students wareness over certain suce, such as school parking and current workdevents. Besides dances, Student Councils mast adunting that is getting the students entit workdevents.

During Homecoming Week Student Council organized many activities to keep the students is this pinked, with two pep assembles. "The over-all schedule was completely different, but it kept spirits in hall work and went really well" said Senior Class President Maggie Waldwiarz (03). One assembly was hasted outside on the factball field on a Weahesday night and another was in the Bishop Gym in Friday during the spirit week. Homecoming Chairs Maggie Waldwiarz (03) and Emy Krauspe (04) ad the week, with the entire acural contributing.

Turnabout combaned both damang and live mulic provided by the performens of Battle of the Bands. Executive Board Vice President Erresto Romo 1031 come up with the new idea for Turnabout. The council wanted to find a way to bring in different groups of people. "We clich"t have a ton of people show up, but there was certainly a variety. Considering that the damae was a total experiment, I would say that it went rather well" said Wdowianz. Close To Home wan Battle of the Sands and received \$100 for their amazing performance.

Besides the new idea of Battle of the Bands, the council had other new events planned The council spannared a pledge against roccum, held a Crush can fundraiser, and continued to keep Wideat Phale alive.

-Evo Fatigala



"This year we did a lot of great things. I am very proud of the Senior Class." -Maggie Wdowiarz (*08)

"Student Council is fun and I got to meet a lot of new people. I enjoyed doing things for the school." -Andrea Johnson (*04)



utive Board Front: Andrea Johnson, Ernesto Romo, Emy Krauspe & Mr. Zimmermann, Jeff Cisowski, Jackie Vavrek, Nick Bernard.



Juniors Front: Rebecca Wilkening, Andrea Johnson, Ashley Rodgers, Patrick Virnich, Tyler Hempel, Jeff Hansen Back: Ms. Kairys, Tom Grove Emy Krauspe, Jackie Vavrek, Richard Visser, Rachel Rivera.



Amores Front: Michelle Macrito, Lauren Bertram, Brianne Nadolny, Nicole Jessica Boyd, Kristen Betts 2nd: Ms. Gilbert, Jackie Gola, Jeff Cisowski, Janek, Heidi Colhander, Ms. Marchiando Back: Danielle Freebern, Laura Kaitlyn McAvoy, Valerie Cirone, Paula Mazzola, Katy Cloutier.



Seniors Front: Lynn Mielke, Ernesto Romo, Alex Baker, Carrie Gallimore Back: Jaclyn Demes, Nick Bernard, Gwenith Smith, CJ Wostratzky, Colleen Mathias.

On and Off Stage...

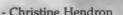
Discover hilarity at its fines

What is more fun than acting like a totally different person, dressing up in strange clothes, or building a entire set for a play? NOTHING! To become a Thespian, all that is necessary to do is work with two or more school plays. Advisor Ms. Mary Hafertepe involves students in a variety of activities, keeps everyone in line, and makes every event a fun experience.

Most of the members were involved in multiple social activities including a pot luck dinner, a lock-in, a picnic, and a trip to see Second City. At these gatherings, the members played theatre games like Mafia, Freeze, Party Quarks, and Cranium. Kristin Koltz ('03) remarked that her favorite part of Thespians was "hanging out with all the thespians at cast parties and in Soan Warren's basement!"

The Thespians also participated in a huge theatre festival at the University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana in January. All of the Thespians learned more about each other, attended drama workshops, and watched many plays put on by other schools. This experience became unforgettable for all of the Thespians.

The number of Thespians doubled after the initiation of about 30 new members at the end of the school year.





New Thespians Nathan Butters ('06) Deborah Corson ('05) stay involved in the through the spring musical South Pacifi

What was your favorite part about Thespians?

"The endless games of Matia and forcing people to wear masks." -Mike Giese ('04)

"All of the people. They are the ones who have kept me sane (as strange as that may seem) throaghoat high school." **-Andy Dameron ('04)**

"We kock! And goa get to meet a lot of cool people and act insane for no reason at all." -Kelly Karbach ('04)

"Daring Theaterfest, having Sean walk in oar room while I'm asleep with the Historg channel on."-**Kevin Roloff (*05)**

"You meet some of the most outstanding characters in the school and learn many life and theatre lessons - all while having fan." -desse Lord ('03)



Thespians Front: Melissa Deutsch, Emily Krauspe, Mike Gandy Dameron, Christine Hendron. 1st Row: Elyse Damsch, Brid Geraghty, Jesse Lord, Dana Grant, Sarah Hasse, Kristin Kolt Mary Hafertepe Back: Caitlin Riermaier, Mallory Russo, Dian Kevin Roloff, Monaca Thomas.



hespitans



At the Thespian social, Andy Dameron ('04) looks for someone to eliminate in Mafia, as everyone else is asleep.



Elyse Damsch ('05), Jesse Lord ('03), and Bridget Geraghty ('05) ponder their memories from the past two years, while enjoying fun times.



Christine Hendron ('03), Sean Warren ('0 Dameron ('04), Kristin Koltz ('03), and Je ('03) remember their years working bo plays.

FUN! EXCITEMENT! LOVE! FRIENDSHIP! EXUBERANCE

Speakers Unleashed! A wonder of talent

peaking about having a great experience. Forensics gives its members the confidence to face the number one ir in America. Speaking in front of a group of people is not for everyone, but for We-Go's speech team, it is were of cake. And for the firts time a West Chicago student received first place at the regional level during the 12-2003 school year.

Four Forensic members did so well they advanced to the regional meet. The students included Emily Krauspe prose reading, Stan Lemon for humorous merpretation, Dominique Scott for impromptu and Erin penmeyer for original oratory. Scott placed second and Krauspe placed first, qualifying them for the state petitions.

The Forensics Team perform a collection of their speeches and put them all into a show called "Verbally purs." The show was a hit with many original, humorous, and serious speeches. These speeches included one ice that used theatre in the round. "'Verbally Yours' was a terrific showcase of the talent, creativity, and energy ur students brought to every tournament," said Mr. Kling, who along with Mr. Kellner and Mrs. Norton thed the team.



mensics Front: Bridget Geraghty, Jeff Hansen, Stephanie Neumann, In Linsenmeyer, Elyse Damsch, Melissa Deutsch 1st Row: Mr. Ming, Andy Dameron, Mike Giese, Mike Doll, Caitlin Riermaier, Mr. Jellee Back: Becky Bonarek, Melissa Sheme, Summer Hassan, David Taylor, Dennis Savala -Christine Hendron

What was your favorite part about Forensics?

"State fo' sho'l So many jokes, we just laughed the whole timel It is great being able to perform for others, and also getting to know some cool people from our school, and schools all over the state."-Emily Krauspe ('04)

> "All of the free chocolate Yoohoo." -Dave Taylor (*06)

"Kellner, Kling, Norbon. Fannest people everl Not to mention you learn how to speak good...well...yeahl" -Mike Giese ('04)

"I would tell people to join Forensics because it's fun and you can hang out, with someone like mel" -Elyse Damsch (05')



readers Stan Lemon ('03) and Emily muse ('04) show off their talents for all to a no matter where the performance.



The Forensics team gets to know each other very well, as they all display a wacky sense of humor.



Dave Taylor ('06) jumps into Andy Demon's ('04) arms in all of the excitement of Verbally Yours," giving everyone's work a 'thumbe up



orensics





Fifty VICA members attended the Springfield Conference, but only one will be going to Nationals in Kansas City, Missouri in June 2003.

With a focus on vocational talents, SkillsUSA-VICA (Vocation Industrial Clubs of America) prepares students for future careers. ViCi allows students to explore areas of their own interest. The club focuse occupations, including architecture, interior design, and pre-school teading Advisors Paul Junkroski and Patti Kozlowski play an active role in ensure that students excel, especially at the conference in Springfield every Ap

The Springfield winners include: Heather Coakley (1st place), Sur Lincoln (2nd place), and Carmen Saucedo (4th place) in Commercial Seving in Interior Design, Kadi Flagg placed 2nd, Heather Coakley placed 3rd and Kayla Kramer placed 6th; Stephanie Hendran placed 4th in Action Demonstration; in Machine Drafting Board Dave Bennett place Elizabeth Diaz and Jessica Gallegos placed 6th in Preschool Bulletin Board in Related Technical Math Bob McLaren placed 3rd; Alison Dahl placed in Internet Homepage Creative and 5th in Demonstration B; Christ Hendron placed 1th in Advertising Design. Hendron gets to competing nationals in Kansas City, Missouri in the summer of 2003.

VICA also had a successful food drive around the holiday seas setting a school record for the amount of food collected. The club collect over 5,200 items for the food pantry at St. Mary's Church.

-Christine Hendron, Brisa Mendez, and Maricarmen Oste



Mrs. Clifford and Mr. Bardey eat breakfast before going to Mawards Ceremony in which students receive their prizes.



Christine Hendron ('03) receives first place in Advertising Design.

What's On Your Mind

"I thought it was really cool because it was a good experience for my freshman year" -Stephanie Hendron (*06)

"Going to Springfield was a great experience for me. I got to make new friends and talk to different people" -Stephany Vasquez (*05)

"I got to meet new people and do some thing different" -Elizabeth Diaz (*05)



Good leaders are made, but great leaders are inspired. With an imense demand for leaders in the business world, Ms. Blume and Mrs. With devote their efforts to inspiring students involved in the Future Business Buders of America to become the best that they can be.

Members of FBLA work on many levels to develop competitive tusiness leaders and to raise money for the high school and the community. They sponsored this year's successful "We-Go Through the Emmys" Variety tow and served the West Chicago community with a variety of projects. From desktop publishing to public speaking, FBLA mentors members to spand their knowledge about subjects ranging from marketing to finance.

Is there a better way to start a business career than FBLA? These impers are the future of America, and perhaps the next Bill Gates is mong these talented students. "This year's group was just magnificent to work with," said Ms. Blume. "I will always remember their dedication, and mow their future careers will be successful."

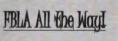
-Brisa Mendez and Maricarmen Osorio



Nineteen individuals from the state competition are going to National Conference in June 2003 in Dallas, Texas.



Tembers of FBLA gather at the Northern Area Conference and show their pride along with their awards.



FBLA has truly helped me come out of my shell and be more outgoing and sociable. I've always had my own opinions, but now I'm not afraid to express them." -Tatiana Podstavkova (*08)

"FBLA is special because we are able to help out charities, as well as participate in activities to make our chapter in life better." -Nicole Puccetti (*04)



Matt Shambo ('03) receives his award at Northern Area Conference.

Around The World International Club

The International Club looked into the holidays of different religions and a variety of cultures. Their activities involved going to the Art Institute of Chicago to look at paintings and sculptures. They were able to watch different cultural movies and sample types of food from around the world. By learning about other ways of life, members realized everyone is unique in his or her own way.

German Club

During the first month of school, the German Club had the pleasure of hearing a guest speaker who visited Germany. Other activities for this year included eating at a German restaurant, watching German videos and visiting the Art Institute for the unique arts of Germany.

Spanish Club

The Spanish culture is ever present at We-Go, as is the Spanish Club. In early November, the club decided to go to the Art Institute for a look at the Mexican fine arts exhibit. They also chowed down on Mexican food and were able to shop at Mexican stores. "I want them to expand the experiences to make the language and culture real," Ms. Junkroski, the adviser of the club, said.

French Club

"The best part of French Club is eating all the great food," Sean Warren ('03), treasurer of French Club, said. In 2003, French Club focused on learning the language and appreciating the culture. They once again had a potluck dinner in conjunction with the other clubs, went to eat at Suzette's Creperie in Wheaton, and engaged in many other French activities.

"Folk dancing was the greatest, although it almost killed me!" said Melissa Prusko ('04), a three year member. One of the highlights of the year included the annual folk dancing lesson. A teacher from Fermi Lab came for to the school to enlighten and update the movers and shakers of French Club on various cultural dances.

-Patty Carmona



What a man of mystery! Jeff Cisowski ('05) acts as Austin Power during the 2003 German Plays.



Jeff Cisowski (05'), a member of the German Club, participates in a German play with his fellow classmates.



jorie Appel ponders the French cuisine at the final nch Club dinner.

What has the experience of the cultures taught you? How will you use the cutural knowledge in the future?

"To be more accepting to other people's difference. Just relax and don't pay much attention to them." -Tatiana Podstavkova(08)

"To not look like a tourist when i go to Germany." -Matt Timko (08')



Carmen Saucedo ('03), president of French Club, takes a bite out of her meal at the final French Club activity.



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Why do you feel 16's important for students to learn other cultures and languages?

"I believe that students should learn about other cultures because I believe they will learn to understand themself and their own culture and language better." -Terry Strohm



All eyes focus on Mr. Highland as he speaks.

Each year Community High School honors its students who exael academically and who demonstrate a commitment to the school by naming them to the National Honor Society and to the Foreign Language National Honor Societies. These students demontrate their commitment to their studies and to languages on a daily basis.

The Few, The Proud,

In addition to their academic success, members of the National Honor Society must perform several hours of community service and must be nominated by their teachers to receive this honor. With Ms. Daneels and Mrs. Laimins as their advisors, these students truly demonstrate the best of West Chicago. Their efforts are reflected each year at graduation by the gold tassles on their caps. Lovers of languages and cultures are honored by being selected to become members of the Foreign Language Honor Society. Whether their fortes are Spanish, French, or German, these students have proven their commitment to excelling at academics, speaking other lanaguages, and learning about other nations and ethnicities. -The *Challenge* Staff



Maggie Wdowiarz offers her appreciation for her award.



Members fo the German Honor Society displays their awards with pride.



Honor Society students are recognized for their ability to achieve beyond expectations.



Parlez-vous francias? These students do, and all of them recieved an A in French.



Spanish Honor Society members are recognized for excelling in the Spanish language.

The Honor Societies



Go students proudly display their devotion to the National mor Society.



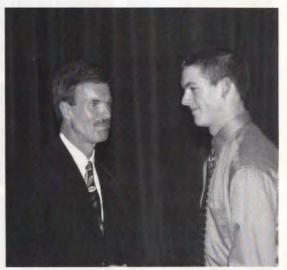
Carrie Gallimore motivates students to excell in academics in the future.



Highland congratulates Jeff Hanson with maward.



Ms. Daneels expresses how impressed she is with all the students.



Junior Dan Harms is recognized by Principal Highland.



th Kipp finally recieves recognition for her hard work and dedicain throughout the year.



Newly inducted NHS Members Brittany Boehm ('04), Lisa Martin ('04), Molly Knaak ('04), and Jill Novak ('04) celebrate.

For three days each semester, the Government students of West Chicago turned into composed parliamentarians. What started out as just another government legislative simulation grew into a great way to experience democracy first hand. Students expressed their beliefs, opinions, and values during the legislative sessions.

Each semester, American Government students, taught by Ms. Daneels and Mr. Healy, declare their parties, pick bills, debate those bills, and vote on them. From amnesty, to the insanity plea, to the idea of ending Title IX, everything becomes fodder for debate – and these are just a few of the bills discussed this past year.

For students, the most exciting part of the Government sessions is the oppurtunity, but for Mr. Healy, it's "listening to one of my "quiet kids" deliver a dramatic speech before more than two hundred of his peers."

To the students, none of the topics are too small, too big, too simple, or too complicated. When walking into a session, the heat of debate is felt. Democracy in progress. Please do not disturb.



Nick Bernard ('03) listens as the opposition speaks.



Scott Sicder ('03) delivers his opening speet for his bill.

Government

-Melissa Prusko

"It gives as a taste of how things are really run in US Government and it gives students a chance to be heard as well as take responsibility in running things ourselves." -Jim Oront ("08)

"H's going to be overwhelming at first, but everything will fall into place. Get involved. It goes faster." -Kristin Nickelson (*08)

"We should have gone for getting rid of the "present" vote ... and then vote "present" on it!" -Mike Peters ("08) The best part about teaching Government is, "It allows me to convey my knowledge about Government to my students, enablin them to think and act as legisla tors." -Mr. Healin



Brian Romanelli ('03) tells the opposition how it is.

What is the most interesting bill . To discuss?



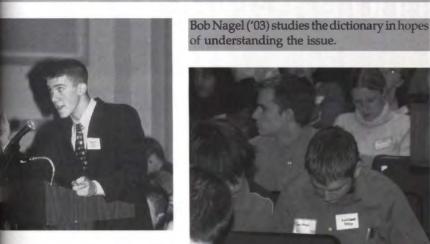
with Representative Johnson.





Kelly Siekman ('03) points out why the opposition is wrong.

"Debating the present vote, of all things. The one bill you would think would have a calm discussion and people were jumping out of their chairs." -Maggie Wdowiarz (*08) I**SEMESTER LEADERSHIP.** Speaker Pat Baur. Chief Executive Dominique Scott, Majority Floor Leader Jeremy Jensen, Minority Floor Leader Paul Majchrowski, rity Whip Melissa Lund, Minority Whip Tony Reyes. **SECOND SEMESTER LEADERSHIP.** Speaker Brian Nelson, Chief Executive Carmen Saucedo, Majority Floor er Jason Adams, Minority Floor Leader Jeremy Rose, Majority Whip Mike Doll., and Minority Whip Beca Duran.



Majchrowski ('03) gets into the lof Democracy.

in with an open mind and don't a things people say personally. There is life outside of the Government simulation!" Maggie Wdowiarz (*08)"

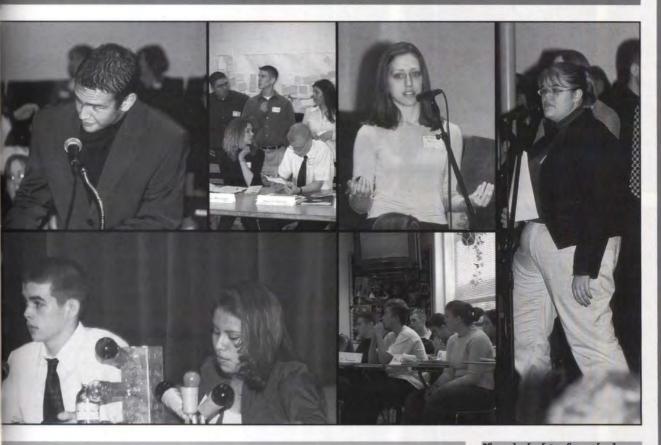
"Make sure you have dress clothes that frt1" -Mike Peters (*08) "I feel very adamant about the Death Penalty, and a lot of other people do too!" -Theresa McEvoy (*08)



Mike Paschke ('03) stands up to the the onslaught of Democratic voices.

"Try to gain some knowledge on different possible bills before you start government so you can debate and know what you're talking about." -Matt Shambo (*08)

Seminars 2003



"Keep up with world issues and make intelligent comments. "Because I said so" doesn't work." -Melissa Stevens (*08) If you had advice for underclassmen before they reach government, what would it be? Why?

Mayhem in the Middle East

Tensions were high: the UN was against U.S. actions dealing with Iraq, freedom fries were being served to the Senate, and suddenly everyone had an opinion about a Middle Eastern country whose leader had a history with America.

To some, the drama leading up to the war lasted longer than the actual conflict, but others will feel the repercussions of U.S. intervention for years to come. The soldiers that fought the war, the politicians who debated it, and the civilians caught in between were directly affected, whereas the rest of the world took a backseat.

A myriad of students were asked to comment on the war in Iraq. Here's what We-Go had to say.

-Katy Kostal

Meghan Dalton Sophomore

"I do not agree with the idea of war, but I'm glad that Iraq is liberated. I have close friends who are in the military and I'm worried for all our troops. I still think it'll be some time before Iraq is back on its feet. It feels good knowing we've eliminated one psycho as a world power, but it's scary to think of who might take his place."



Jeremy Rose Senior

"I think the war turned out better than we thought it would, but I think we are still waiting to see what the worldwide reaction will be. I don't think the bombing in Saudi Arabia is the last bombing we will see directed at American troops."



Emily Biancalana

Senior

"I can't say I'm a fan of war because of what it entitles. But

I do think that the war in Iraq

and its goal were needed. If we

are students of history, we have to look back and realize

the repercusions of waiting

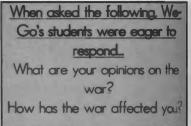
around for things to fix

themselves...because they

won't. As the quote goes,

'With great power comes great responsibility.' We are that

great power and should intervene when situations like this occur."



<u>Melissa Stevens</u> <u>Senior</u>

"As a pacifist, I was completely against the U.S.'s actions in Iraq: We didn't just attack Saddam, we attacked innocent civilians. With attack such as "Shock and Awe", I found myself disgusted with the people proud of such barbarism. The President claimed that it was intended to end terrorism, but it will only breed more of it. Every orphan, every person maimed in a U.S. bombing, will only cause more hate for the U.S."



Jeff Hansen Junior

"I really disagree with the U.S. invasion of Iraq, but I disagree even more with our ultra-patriotic and ignorant worldly-attitude that so many people show. This anti-France, almost anti-peace jingoism, is frighteningly common, and I'm afraid of what it may lead to in the end. In any case, I'm moving to Canada."



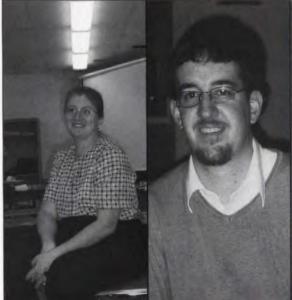
142 War Reactions

From Shock & Awe"

Opinions on the Front

To Reconstruction

<u>Gwen Geiger</u> <u>Mathematics Teacher</u> weel that the war has impacted my in an economic sense, indirectly. As a result, home mortgage rates continue to decrease. I plan to pitalize on this fact by refinancing my mortgage. We're still seeing growth in the economy, but it is stagnant. The war resulted in a mewhat more stable environment cause we don't have this wacko in he Middle East capable - or who ave been capable of - producing weapons of mass destruction."



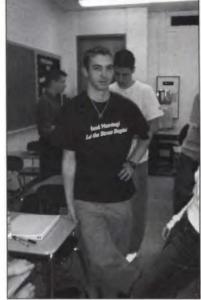
Jason Kling English Teacher

"I was firmly against the war - particularly U.S. intervention in Iraq without the support of the UN and its own population. As it progressed, I didn't waver from my opinion. I think we had good intentions in Iraq, but our methods were pretty questionable - the way the U.S. alienated the rest of the world and burned a lot of bridges with international allies and blatantly ignored a huge section of its population that was confused or basically against the war. I'd say the U.S. didn't really think through about what would happen after the fall of Saddam Hussein. The reconstruction of Iraq is going to take funds away from national programs that sorely need it."

Mike Peters Senior

or two straight weeks, I uldn't watch 'That 70s how' at 5:30. Seriously ough, it was unfortunate r soldiers lost their lives lraq, but I feel safer and ore secure knowing that thon was taken to bring wn a known terrorist and hose who followed and pported him...besides, I ked watching the buildings explode."





Bethany Inch

Freshman

"I have never agreed with

war. War is violent and

most times not needed.

However, I agree with this

war because Saddam is a

crazy and brutal man that

needed to be pulled out of

office along with his sons.

I'm happy Iraq is getting

closer to freedom. I'm also

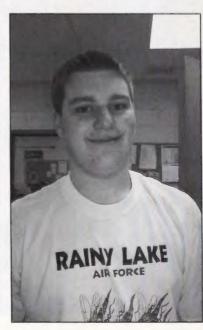
worried for our troops, but

we are close to the end."

Jason Adams Senior

"I was behind the war with Iraq from start to finish. I believe that Saddam Hussein has been a threat to America for too long. President Bush has shown great leadership through these difficult times. He has had great success with the War on Terrorism. My family has been directly affected by going to war with Iraq. My brother has been serving in the Persian Gulf. Even with him so close to danger, my entire family is behind the decisions made by President Bush."





Rick Camp Junior

"Although I disagree with going to war, the outcome has been what was expected, but I think this might hurt us in the future. However the only good thing about the war was that it was very quickly done with. Like what we did with Japan, we'll have to give them money to rebuild and be their military because Iraq won't be allowed to have an army of their own.

Thus we will be spending much more money than we need to to keep Iraq going."



The class of 2003 struggled through the torment of ing underclassmen and the agony of junior year. As itors, the crowns for rulers of the school have been med. The new year came with much anticipated perks: inter schedules, off-hours and a total disconcern for pearances.

Senior pride emerged in full force. Each morning Senior Il filled with music, friends, and the occasional catnap. e ins and outs of the whole school were known to all, d the best excuses to get one through each day.

As the class of '03 prepares to branch off on their own lerent journeys after We-Go, there's always that one last ok around everyone takes to realize what a fast and emorable four years it's been.

-Katy Kostal





A slew of seniors pose in their wildest Halloween costumes. "The funniest moment in my high school experience was Halloween 2002. Everyone dressed up. It was awesome," said Student Council President Nick Bernard.

Jim Rylowicz, Josh Kane, Chris Sanzeri, Matt Kallas and Mike Martinez throw traditional attire out the door and dress as comfortably as possible with "Best Homecoming Ever" written across their undershirts.

unniest Moment Of The High School Experience

bripping and twirling my shirt ove my head at our last home thall game in front of the whole school!'' -Liz Brosseau When I had the person running hall passes deliver a fake fart medication to Mr. Stark in a pharmaceutical bag and everything." -Ashley Mazzola

"When I blew up the sink in Chemistry." -Rachel Moguel "Mr. Doll doing 'Particle Man'." -Jeanine Macrito Doing donuts on the football field in a golf cart." -Melissa Lund 'When Mr. B. slid into the wall in Adv. Algebra sophomore year." -Matt Timko



ek Jensen juggles books and binders is first day as a senior.

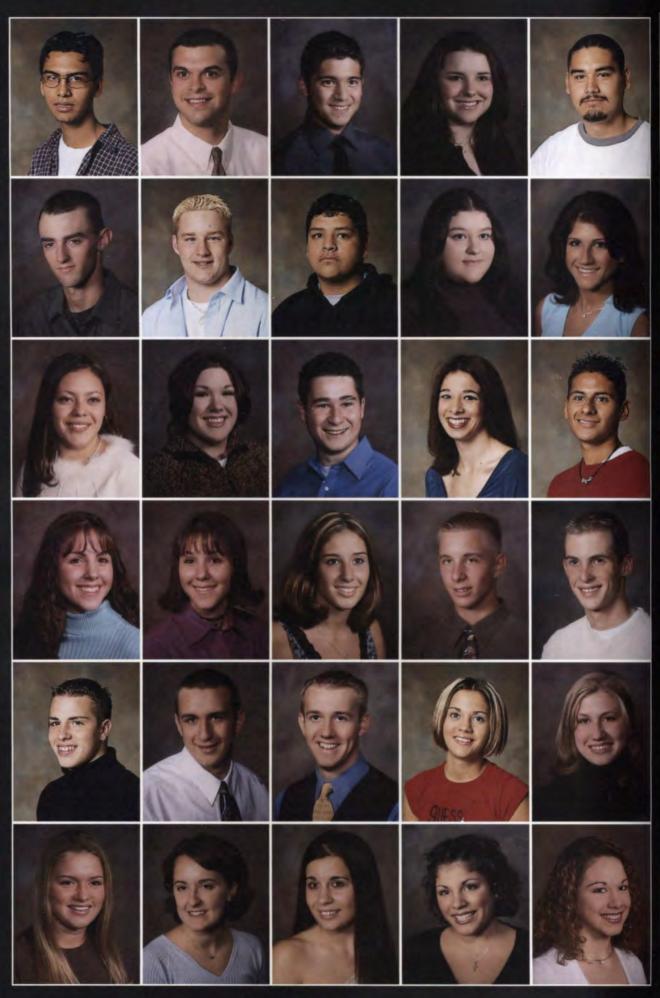


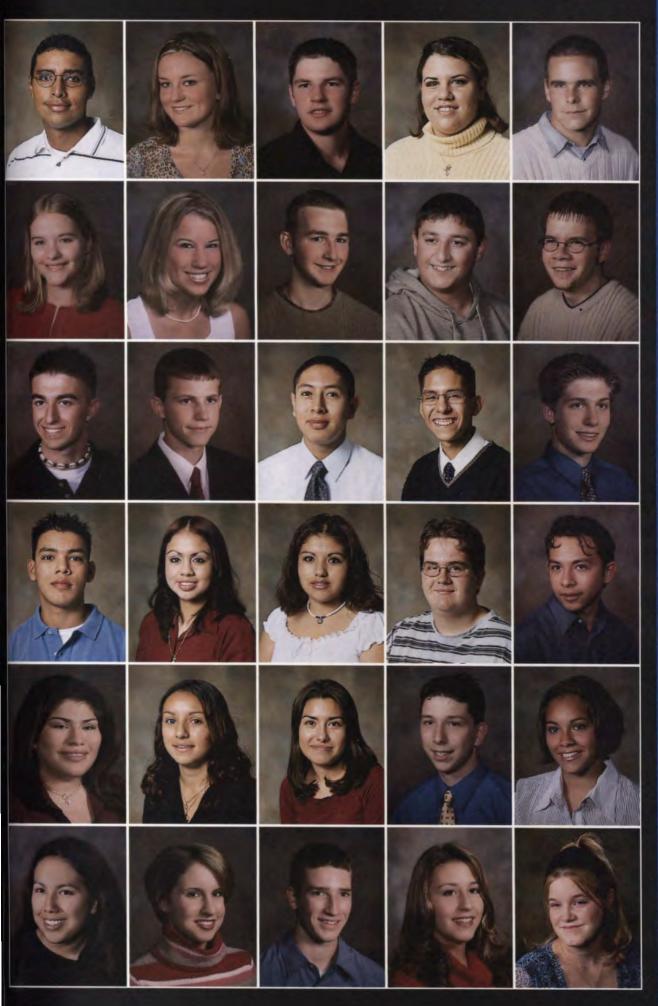
Jessica Garcia smiles, thinking of her Variety Show performances.



During Homecoming the Senior banner is diplayed above the drinking fountains in Senior Hall represting the overflow of school pride and pep.

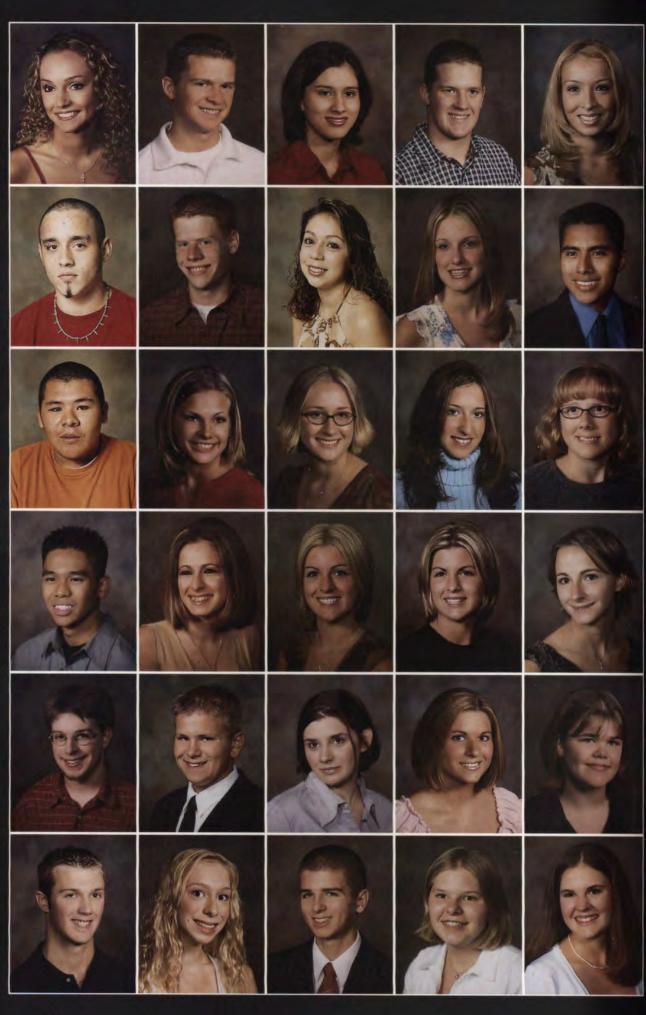
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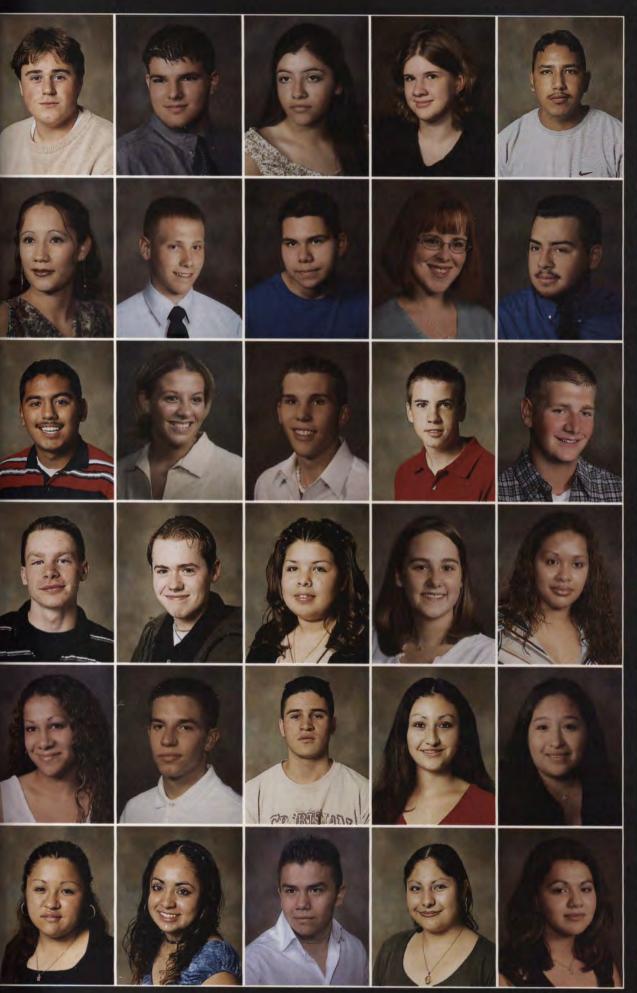




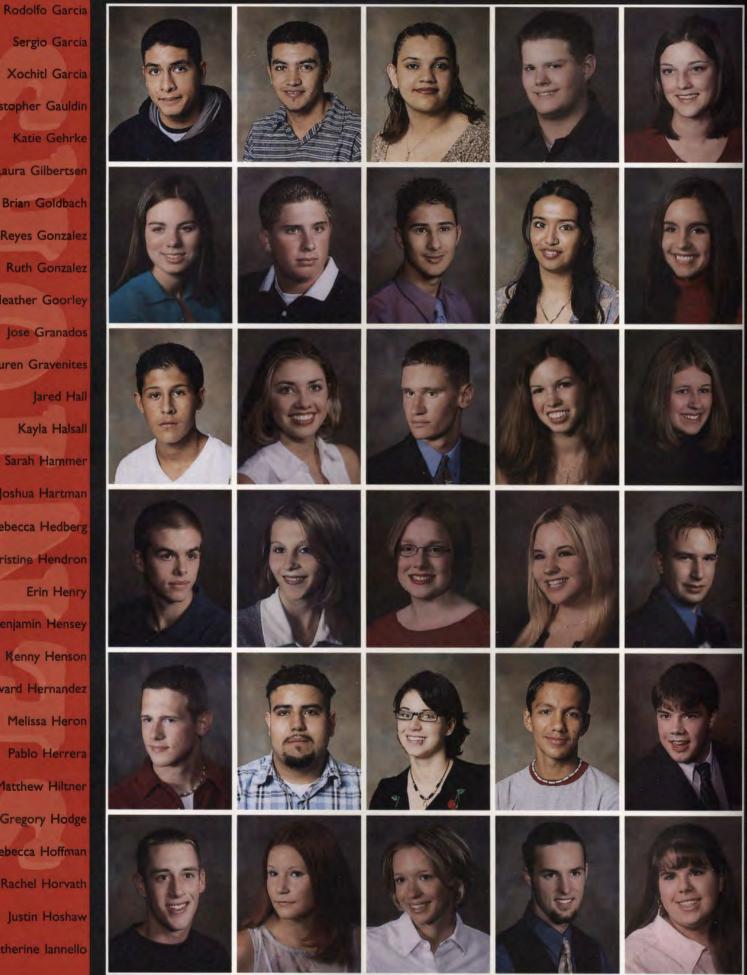
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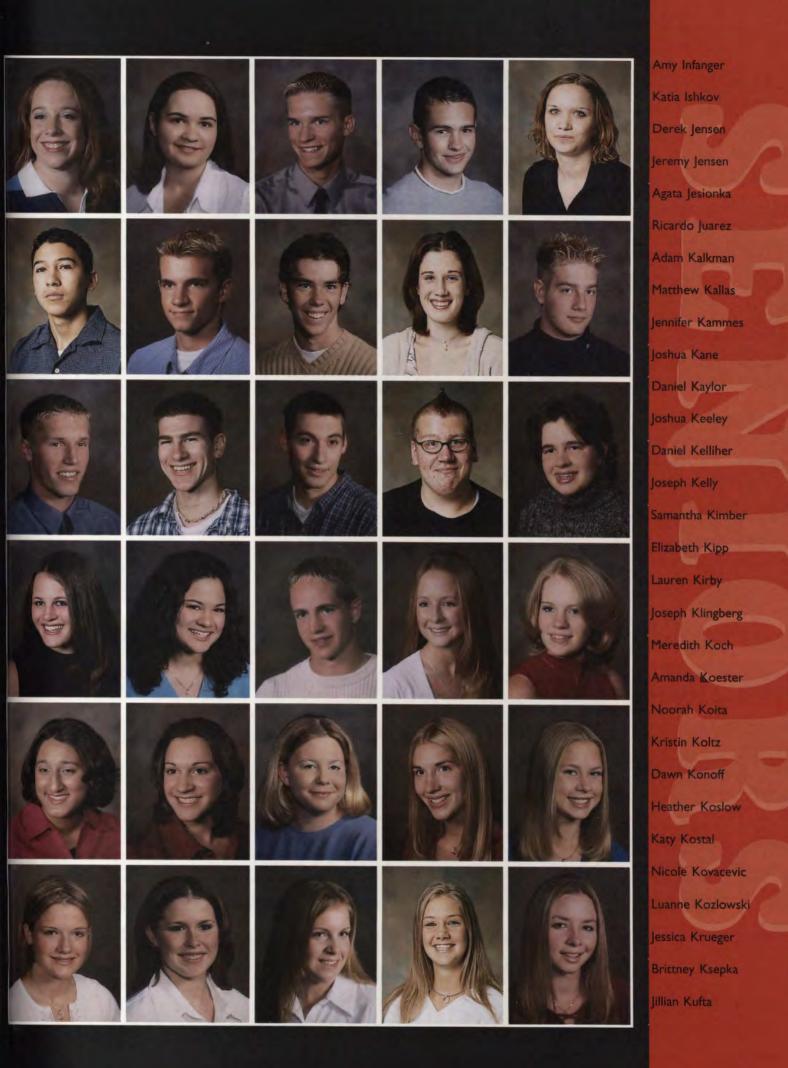




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Carmen Saucedo and Keri Sagen flex their muscles earned through cross country and swimming respectively.



Jackie Stentz, Nicole Lederman and Lauren Kirby sweat up a storm during the Homecoming dance.





Choirbirds Sean Warren and Michael Treachler pose for Mr. Fantozzi at a chamber choir party hosted by Warren.

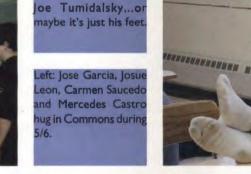


Brian Steere takes a catnap during 7/8. AP English IV isn't exhausting - just really comfortable.





"Act like an idiot and don't care what others think - you'll never get the chance to again!" -Theresa McEvoy "Grades matter, work hard everyday so that you succeed for the rest of your life." -Ernesto Romo



Right: Melissa Stevens can't stand the smell of











Left: Alison Dahl, Katie Taylor and Heather Barron break the monotony of each morning however they can.

Right: Brian Romanelli cuddles with his girlfriend Jessica Cwiak, going strong for nine months and counting.







Freckled Natalie Chudoba and Jessi Crockatt do their best impressions of little children.



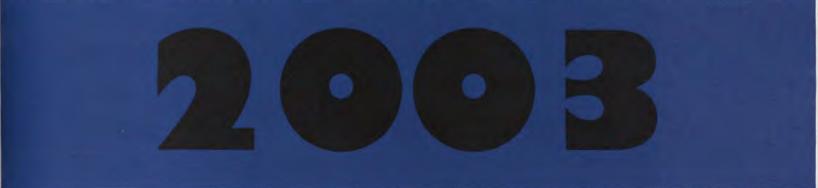
Senior volleyball girls go crazy prior to their last home game against Wheaton North - the Wildcats won.

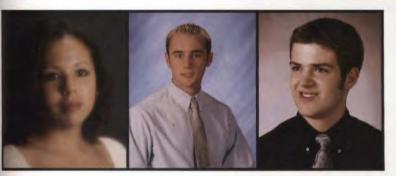


aclyn Demes and Dylan Swanner pause to smile between fire alarms and fog-machine disasters.

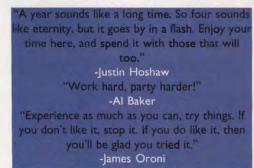


Jessica York smiles thinking of the hilarious things Mr. Courtney accidently said during AP English IV.



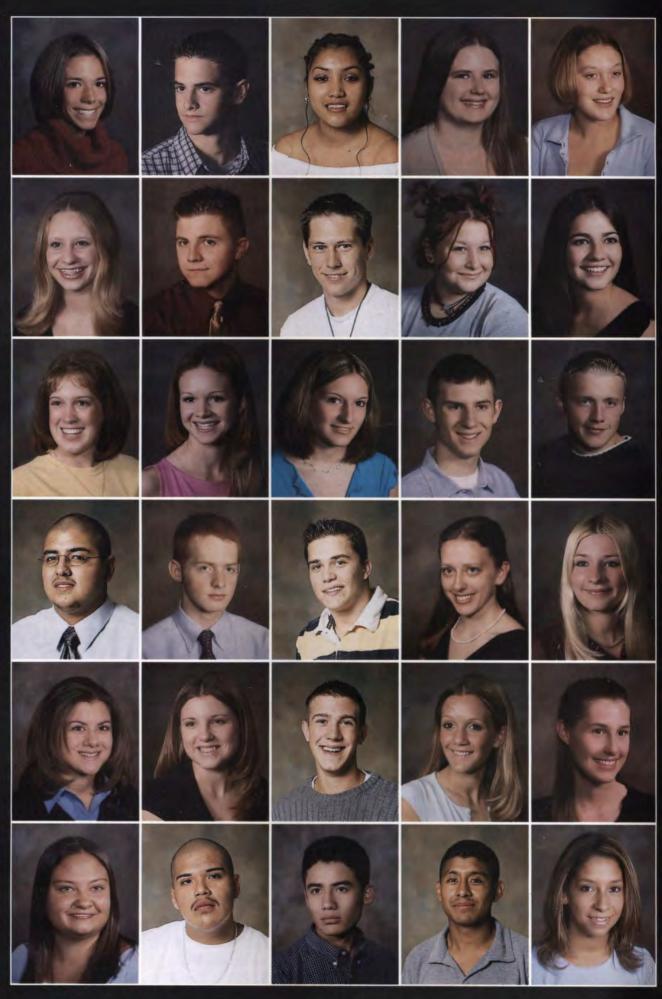


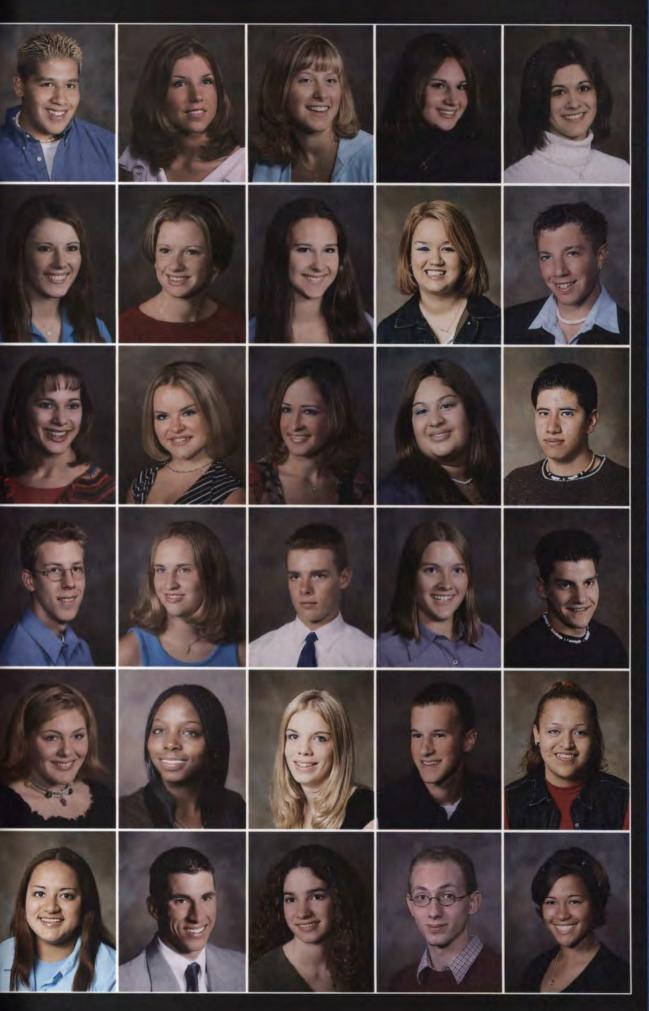
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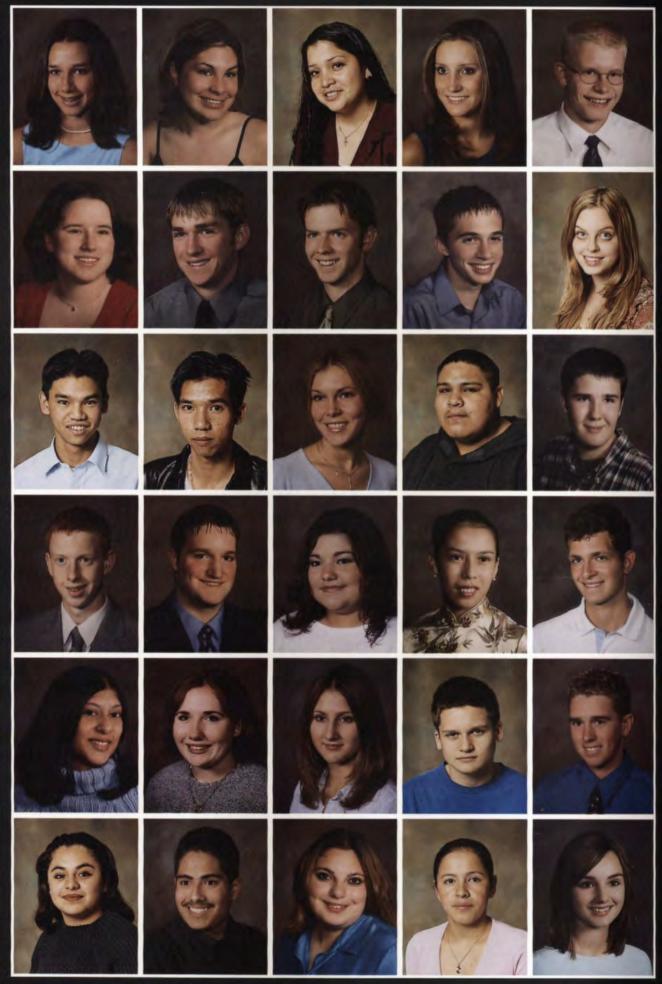
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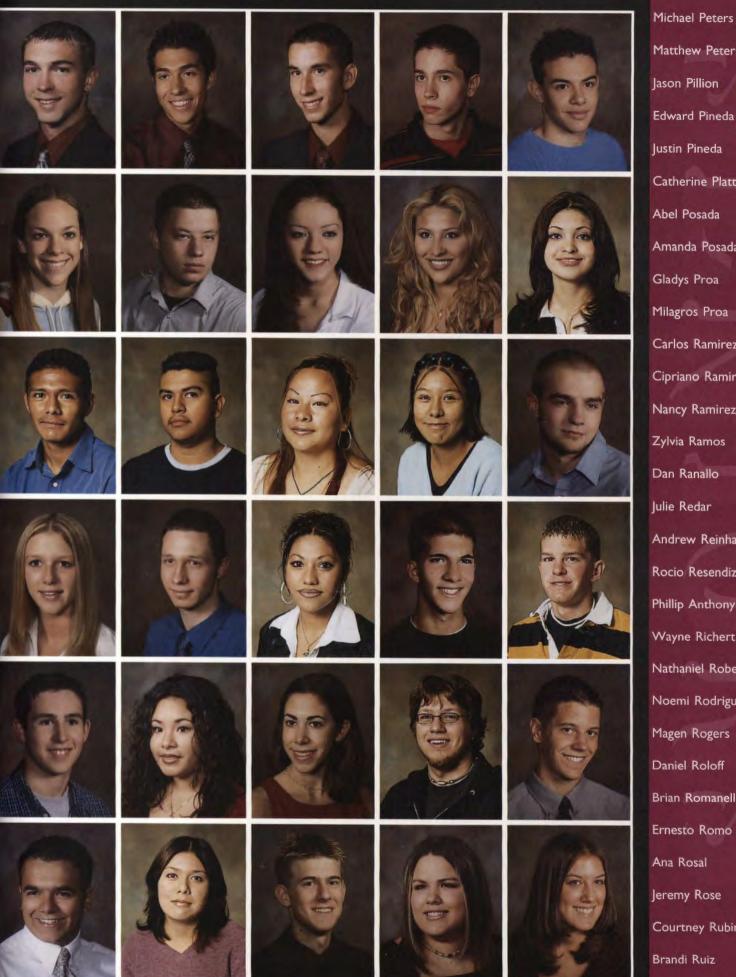




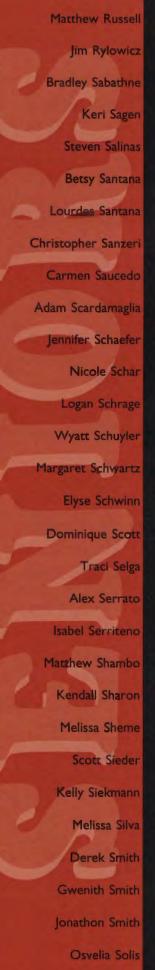
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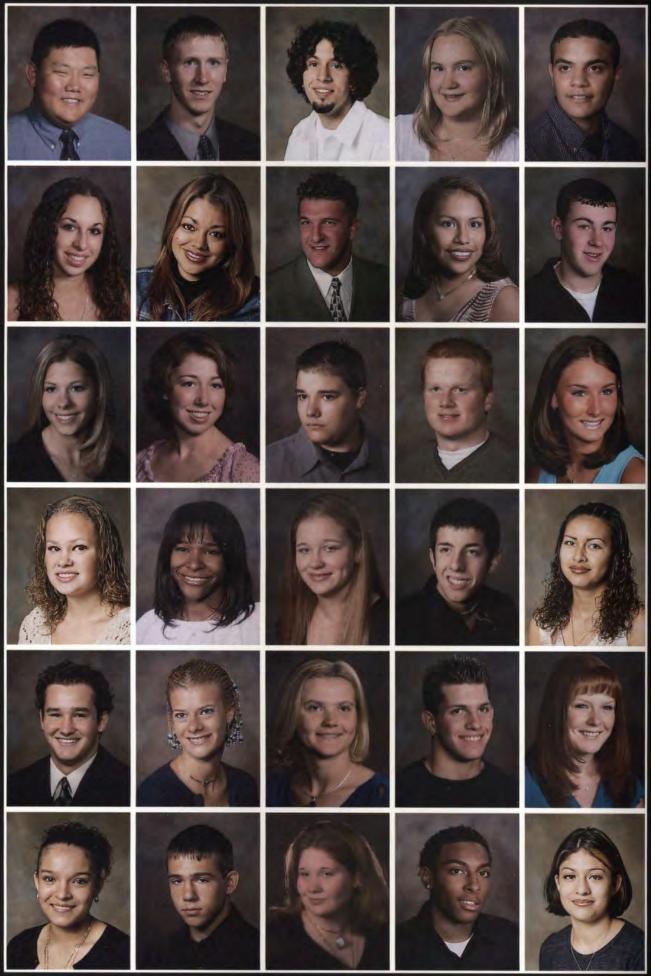
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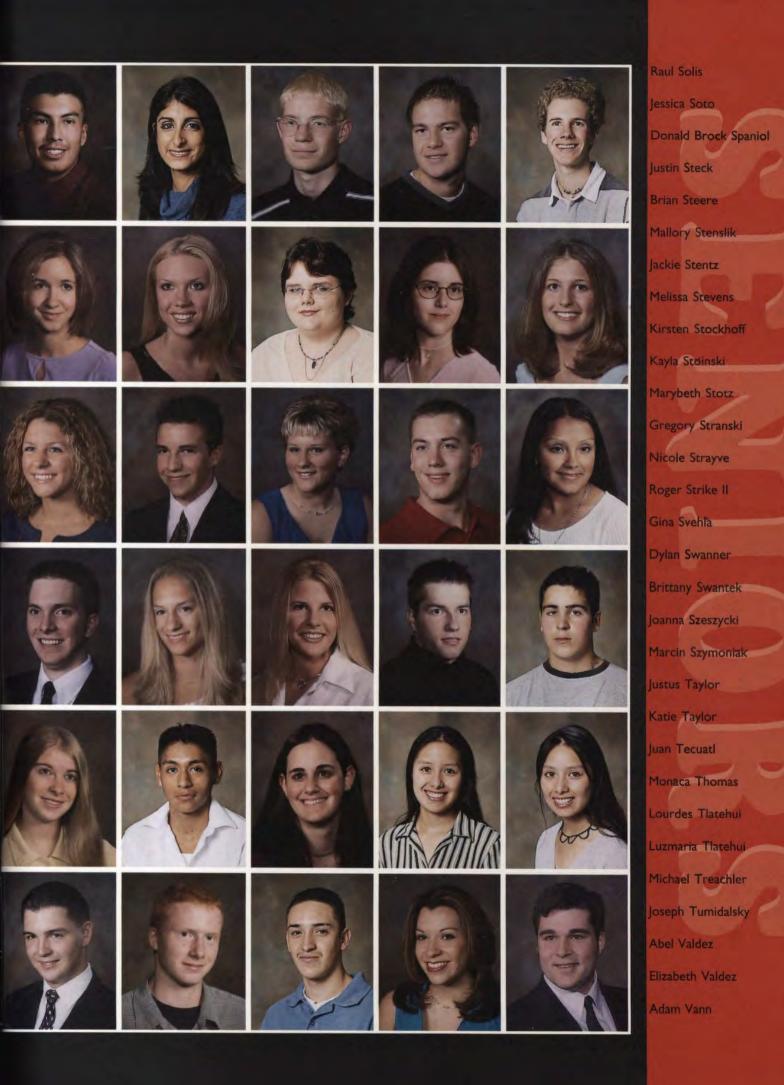




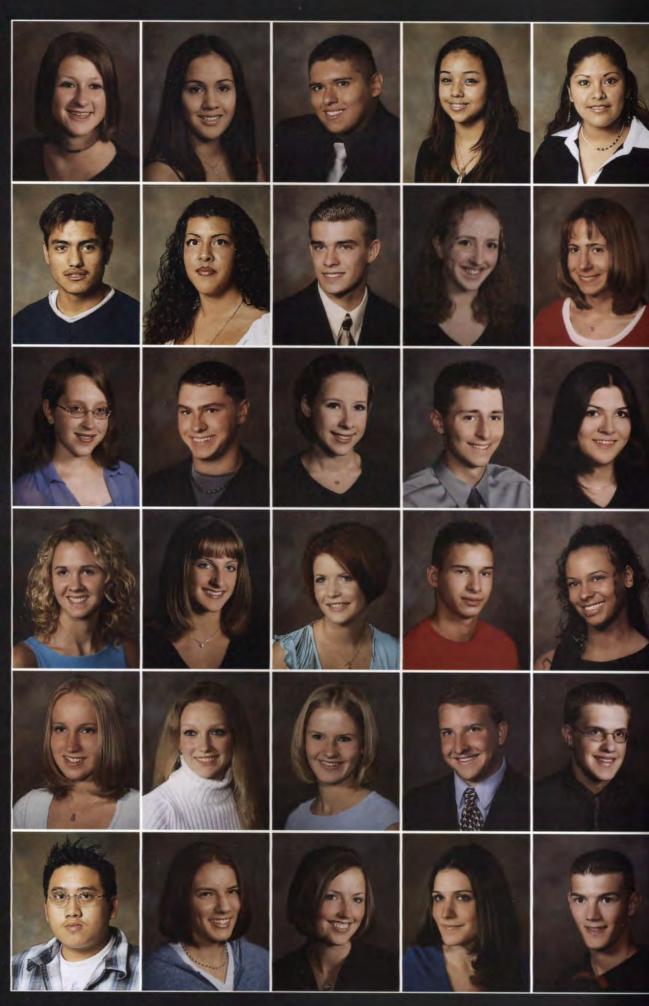
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Honorable Thoughts

"I dīdn't expect any awards, but īt's nīce to realīze I dīd a līttle more than other people and am being notīced for īt," -Heather Cīrone (*03)

"I need someone to misbebave with," -**Mike Peters (*03)**

"We took people's names, the first two letters of their first and last names, and created new names. Lymi (Lynn Mielke) was next to me, Ammo (Amanda Morrison) was a ways down, and Asma (Ashley Mazzola) was receiving an award at one point," - Sean Warren (*03) Last Stop.

Before Graduation

Seniors Receive Recognition For Their Achievements

Before graduating seniors can throw their caps, their achievements must be noted. Senior Honors Night is an evening set aside for such an occasion, when the best of the graduating class gets a pat on the back and some extra compensation for all their hard work.

Several scholarships were handed out, as well as special awards of recognition. The recipients of the Wildcat Booster Club scholarship included Jessica Cwiak, Katy Kostal, Jami Murphy, Brian Romanelli, and CJ Wostratzky, and the American Legion Scholarships were presented to Elizabeth Brosseau, Rebecca Dennis, Rebeca Duran, Joshua Hartman, Justin Hoshaw, and Michael Peters.

The multitude of talent spanned across the Class of 2003, and such students as Brian Nelson and Matt Shambo received the Business Students of the Year.

The sound of the West Chicago choirs filled the auditorium between award presentations, making the transition between perfect attendance and National Merit Scholarship Award Winners as smooth as the sopranos' solos.

The National Merit Scholarship Award Winner was Patrick Baur. He is just a single example of how far the class of 2003 has come in the past four years, and serves to ensure that they will continue to go far.

-Katy Kostal

"It was hilarious when they were calling off the people for perfect attendance and the first four weren't therel" - Sarah Hammer (*08)



Lauren Mroz, Lisa Lindner, and Lauren Kirby rise for the President's Education Award.



The Concert Choir sings "Somewhere" from *West Side Story* before the ceremony.





Senior Surveys

Jason Adams-FBLA 4; National Honor Society 4; Boys Basketball 123; High Honor Roll1234.

Tom Aguirre-FBLA 4; Boys Volleybatt 1234; Honor Roll 34.

Sarah Altergott-Band 1234; Ambassadors Club 4; German National Honor Society 234; Girls Basketball 12; Badminton 1234; Honor Roll 1234.

Sarah Assian-; Choir 1234; Concert Choir 34; Cheerleader 234; Math Team 4; Wildcat Chronicle 2; Spring Musical Crew 1; FBLA 4; Pep Club 1234; Key Club 12.

Katie Baginski- Key Club 2; German Club 123; SADD 2; Badmintan 123. Alex Baker- FBLA1234; Student Counce 34; Football2; Boys Soccer 1, Boys Tennis 4; Boys Track and Field 12; Honor Roll 1234.

Elyse Barron- Spanish Club 234; Art Club 3; Softball 1234; Honor Roll 1234. Heather Barron- Spanish Club 34; Art Club 13; Softball 1234; Honor Roll 1234. Jackie Batty- FBLA 34; Spanish Club 2; Homecoming Court 4; Girls Volleyball 1

Nick Bernard-FBLA 34; Junior State of America 4; Ambassadors Club 34; Student Council 234; National Honor Society 234; Boys Soccer 123; Boys Track And Field 1234; Honor Roll 1234.

Aimee Beutke- Cheerleader 3; Spanish Club 1; Art Club 34; Ambassadors Club 4: National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 234: Prom Court 3; Prom Queen 3; Girls Cross Country 4; Girls Golf 2; Girls Basketball 12; Girls Track and Field 1234; Honor Roll 1; High Honor Roll 234 Emily Biancalana- Band 12; Jazz Band 12; Math Team 4; National Honor Society 1234; Girls Swimming and Diving 1234; Girls Track and Field 1234; High Honor Roll 1234.

Simon Blanco- Choir 24; Concert Choir 4; Boys Ensemble 4; Key Club 1; French Club 234; SADD 4; Football 1234; Honor Roll 12

Stephaniu: Bodane- Wildcat Chronicle 234; Junior State of America 34; Girls Volleyball 1234; Honor Roll 1234; Powderpuff 3.

Rachel Borsodi- Pep Club 34; SADD 23.

Elizabeth A. Brosseau- Band 1234; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 34; Girls Volleybalt 1; Badminton 1234; Honor Roll 1234.

Brittany Brown- Choir 1234; Concert Choir 34; Prom Court 3; Girls Golf 34; Girls Volleyball 1; Honor Roll 1234.

Chris Brown- Key Club 2; FBLA 4; Honor Roll 123; High Honor Roll 4. Brian Calabrese- Math Team 1; Skills USA Vica 3; National Honor Society 34; Football 123; Boys Volleyball 1234; Boys Track and Field 3;Honor Roll 1234. Jim Campbell- German National Honor Society- 2; Football 12; Boys Volleyball 134; Boys Basketball 123; Honor Roll 1; High Honor Roll 234. Claudia Carrillo- Horticulture Club 3; Girls Soccer 23.

Magdalena Carrasco- Art Club 1; Honor Roll 2.

Jasmeen Castillo- Choir 3; Key Club 2; Spanish Club 1234; SADD 12 ; Girls Tennis 23; Honor Roll 234; High Honor Roll 1.

Marisol Castillo- Horticulture Club 34; SADD 4; Girls Soccer 1; Girls Tennis 2.

Mercedes Castro-Yearbook 4; Horticulture Club 4; Girls Soccer 2; Powder Puff 3.

Sean Chapman-Football 12; Boys Track and Field 1.

Angel Chiarito- Choir 2; Germani Club 2: SADD 12; Honor Roll 234; High Honor Roll 1.

Nick Chillemi-Band1234; Jazz Band34; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 23; Wrestling 12; Baseball 1; High Honor Roll 1234. Natalie Chudoba-SADD 3; Student Council 2; Girls Tennis 3; Honor Roll 134; Peer Helping 234; SADD Treasurer; Peer Jury 34; Snowflake Volunteer 3; Debate Team 4; SQUAD Member; Leadership Conference 2; Voice of Democracy Speech Winner 34.

Charlie Cloutier- FBLA 4; Skills USA Vica 34; National Honor Society 23; French National Honor Society 234; Football 234; Boys Basketball 12; Honor Roll 124; High Honor Roll 3.

Heather Coakley- Color Guard 1234; Yearbook 1; Key Club 23; Forensics Team 1234; Thespians 1234; Fall Play Cast 24; Fall Play Crew 1234; Winter Play Cast 4; Winter Play Crew 1; Spring Musical Cast 4; Spring Musical Crew 124; Spring Musical Student Director 4; Skills USA-VICA 4; French Club 1234; Honor Roll 1234.

Matt Coiley-Football 1234; Boys Baseball 1234; High Honor Roll 1234. Geraldine Colorado- Key Club 1; FBLA 12; French Club 1; Girls Tennis 1. Jeff Cordina- Key Club 2; Fall Play Crew 2; FBLA 134; German Club 4; Student Council 12; National Honor Society 34; German National Honor Society 234; Honor Roll 1; High Honor Roll 234.

Jessi Crockatt- Color Guard 1234; Fall Play Cast 2; Honor Roll 1234. Jessica Cwiak- Yearbook 4 ; SADD 1; National Honor Society 34; Girls Cross Country 3; Girls Swimming and Diving 1234; Girls Basketball 1; Girls Track and Field 1234; Honor Roll 34; High Honor Roll 12.

Alison Dahl- Band 234; Color Guard 2; Skills USA-VICA 34; Spanish Club 234; Art Club 3; National Honor Society 34; Badminton 234; Honor Roll 1234; Third Place in Advertising Design VICA 3; Second Place Internet Homepage 3; Vice President- VICA 4; Secretary Spanish Club 4; Band Squad Leader 34. Jenny Davers- Honor Roll 12.

Carmine D'Aversa- Honor Roll 1234.

Michelle Davis- Girls Soccer 2; Girls Tennis 12; Honor Roll 1234; Cosmetolog, 34.

Melissa Davis- Girls Soccer 12; Girls Tennis 12; Honor Roll 1234.

Luke Dean-National Honors Society 34; German National Honor Society 4; Football 1; Honor Roll 4; Bible Study Leader 1234.

Jaclyn Demes- Wildcat Chronicle-1; SADD-1; Student Council-2; Girls Track and Field- 1; Honor Roll-3; Senior Class Secretary; Snowflake Teen Director. Amy Michelle Demitropoulos- Choir 12; Concert Choir 3; FBLA 4; Volleyball 1; Honor Roll 123; High Honor Roll 4.

Becky Dennis- Yearbook 123; Key Club 23; French Club 123; National Honor Society 34; Honor Roll 1234; High Honor Roll 1234.

Dan Deutsch- Boys Basketball 1; Baseball 1234; Honor Roll 1234.

Melissa Deutsch-Band 1: Cheerleader 34; Thespians 34; Fall Play Cast 2; Winter Play Cast 4; Pep Club 34; Art Club 4; Girls Swimming and Diving 23; Girls Track and Field 1234; Honor Roll 1234.

Cheryl Drenth- Pep Club 1: National Honor Society 34: Girls Volleyball 1: Boys Volleyball Manager 1: Honor Roll 12; High Honor Roll 34: Student of the Month at T.C.D.

Elizabeth Drzal- Orchestra 1234: National Honor Society 34; Girls Soccer 12; Girls Swimming and Diving 1234; Girls Track and Field 34: Honor Roll 1234. **Mike Doll-** Scholastic Bowl 12; Math Team 234; Forensics Team 1234; Spanish National Honor Society 234; Boys Soccer 1234; Boys Track and Field 1234; High Honor Roll 1234.

Beca Duran- Choir 234, Concert Choir 34; FBLA 234; International Club 234; Junior State of America 34; National Honor Society 34; Honor Roll 1234: Women's Choral 2; Parliamentarian of FBLA 34; Secretary JSA 4; Bible Study 34.

Sandra Edlund- Math Team 4; Spanish National Honor Society 34; Badminton 1234; Honor Roll 13; High Honor Roll 24.

Crushon Evans-Football 13; Boys Basketball 1234; Boys Track and Field 12. Vicente Fernandez-French Club 4; National Honor Society 23; Boys Boccer 1234; Boys Track and Field 1234; Honor Roll 1234; Hosted French Student 24; Foreign Exchange Student to France 3; Who's Who of American Students.

Mark Foote- FBLA 4; Boys Soccer 1; Boys Track and Field 1234; Honor Roll 12.

Carrie Gallimore- Imbassadors Club 4; Student Council 34; National Honor Society 34, French National Honor Society 1234; Girls Soccer 1234; High Honor Roll 1234.

Katie Gehrke- Math Team 4; Spanish Club 4; International Club 4; National Honor Society 34; Honor Roll 234; High Honor Roll 1; Future Educators of America 4.

Laura Gilbertsen- Math Team 4; Girls Soccer 1234; Honor Roll 1234; Most Improved Player for Soccer 3.

Heather Joy Goorley- Choir 1; Pom Pons 12; Pep Club 1234; Ambassadors Club 4; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 34; Honor Roll 1234.

Kayla Halsall- Fall Play Crew 1; FBLA 1; Girls Cross Country 2; Girls Track and Field 2.

Sarah Hammer- Color Guard 1234; Yearbook 234; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 4; Honor Roll 2; High Honor Roll 34.

Joshua Hartman, Math Team 3; Skills USA-VICA 1; Junior State of American 4; High Honor Roll 1234.

Christine Hendron[®] Scholastic Bowl 234; Yearbook 24; Thespians 1234; Fall Play Cast 234: Winter Play Crew 1234; Spring Musical Cast 134; Spring Musical Crew 1234; Skills USA-VICA 1234; Horticulture Club 4; Art Club 34; Junior State of America 4; Ambassadors Club 4; National Honor Society 34; High Honor Roll 1234; Student of the Month November; Concert Choir 4.

Melissa Heron- Choir 1; Key Club 234; Forensics Team 2; Fall Play Cast 2; Spanish Club 12; Junior State of America 4; National Honor Society 34; Immecoming Court 4; Girls Tennis 3; Badminton 123; Honor Roll 1234.

Pablo R. Herrera- Choir 1234; Chamber Choir 34; Concert Choir 234; Boys Ensemble 4; Art Club 4; Football 14; Boys Volleyball 1234.

Greg Hodge- FBLA 234; National Honor Society 34; Prom Court 3; Boys Golf 1234; Flonor Roll 234; High Honor Roll 1; All Academic DVC 1234; DVC All Conference Golf Team 34.; Sectional Qualifier 4.

Rachel Horvath- Ambassadors Club 4; National Honor Society 34; Girls Swimming 1234; Girls Track and Field 234.

Justin Hoshaw- Math Team 23: Yearbook 1; French Club 234; Horticulture Club 234; Junior State of America 4; Student Council 2; National Honor Society 34; French National Honor Society 1234; Boys Volleyball 1; Boys Track and Field 23; High Honor Roll 1234; Vice President of Horticulture Club 2; President of Horticulture Club 34; Speaker for Rube Goldburg Project 1.

Samantha Kimber- Orchestra 123; Badminton 1234

Beth Kipp- Chior 1; Concert Choir 34; Cheerleader 234; Pep Club 234; Girls Volleyball 123; Softball 1; Honor Roll 1234.

Joe Klingberg- FBLA 34; Homecoming Court 4; Prom Court 3; Prom King 5; Football 1234; Baseball 12; Boys Track and Field 34; Honor Roll 1234; High Honor Roll 1234.

Noorah Kotta- Math Team 4; Girls Tennis 234; Honor Roll 24; High Honor Roll 3.

Kristin Koltz- Choir 4; Chamber Choir 1; Concert Choir 2; Girls Ensemble 1; Fall Play Crew 1; Winter Play Cast 2; Spring Musical Cast 3; Junior State of America 2; Girls Soccer 1; Honor Roll 3.

Heather Koslow- National Honor Society 34; Girls Volleyball 1234; Bays Volleyball 2 (Manager); Softball 1; Honor Roll 1234.

Katy Kostal-Band 1234; Jazz Band 234; Yearbook 234; FBLA 4; French Club 1234; National Honor Society 34; French National Honor Society 234; Homecoming Queen 4; Girls Cross Country 1234; Girls Basketball 1; Girls Track and Field 1234; High Honor Roll 1234.

Nicole Kovacevic-Pep Club 34; SADD 234; National Honor Society 34; Girls Volleyball 12; Honor Roll 234; High Honor Roll 1.

Jessica Krueger- German National Honor Society 1234; Girls Volleyball 1 Girls Basketball 12; Softball 1234, Honor Roll 1234; High Honor Roll 1234. Jill Kufta- FBLA 4; National Honor Society 4; Girls Volleyball 1234; Honor Roll 1234.

Christiana Lundquist- Skills USA-VICA 23; Softball 1.

Elaine Lauver- Choir 4; Concert Choir 1; Honor Roll 4.

Stan Lemon- Forensics 24; FBLA 4; Honor Roll 24; High Honor Roll 1.

Susan Lincoln-Band 1234; Chior 1234; Concert Choir 34; Thespians 4; Spring Musical Cast 234; SkillsUSA-VICA 4; National Honor Society 4; High Honor Roll 1234.

Lisa Lindner- Math Team 34; Key Club 2; SADD 23; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 234; Honor Roll 1234.

Amy Lichtfuss- German Club 123; International Club 3; Pep Club 3; National Honor Society 34; German National Honor Society 3; Girls Soccer 123; Honor Roll 2; High Honor Roll 134.

Jesse Lord- Concert Choir 4; Literary Magazine 4; Thespians 34; Fall Play Cast 4; Spring Musical Cast 3; German Club 4; National Honor Society 4; German National Honor Society 34; Honor Roll 234; High Honor Roll 234. Melissa Lund- Band 1234; Jazz Band 1234; Orchestra 4; Spring Musical Pit 1234; National Honor Society 34; German National Honor Society 234; High Honor Roll 1234.

Christiana Lundquist- Skills USA-Vica 23; Softball 1.

Jeanine Macrito- Wildcat Chronicle 4 Student Council 23; National Honor Society 34; Girls Track and Field 3; Honor Roll 1234.

Paul Majchrowski-FBLA 1234; Junior State of America 4; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 234; Boys Basketball 1; Baseball 1234; High Honor 1234.

Liliana Mariano-Yearbook 4.

Jennifer Mark-Spanish Club 2; Pep Club 1; Art Club 1; Honor Roll 2; High Honor Roll 2.

Lauren Martinez-FBLA I, SkillsUSA-VICA 24; Spanish Club 1; Horticulture Club 3; Homecoming Court 4.

Mike Martinez-Football 1234.

Pamela Martin-Band 1234; Math Team 23; Key Club 1234; SkillsUSA VICA 234; Spanish Club 4; Spanish National Honor Society 34; Badminton 34;

Drew Martino- Cherleader 23; Spanish Club 12; High Honor Roll 12. Colleen Mathias- Pep Club 1; Student Council 34; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 34; Prom Court 3; High Honor Roll 1234. Ashley Mazzola- Math Team 4: Spanish Club 4; Student Council 23; National Honor Society 234; German National Honor Society 234; Girls

Soccer 1234; Girls Basketball 1; High Honor Roll 1234.

Shannon Mazzuca

Norah McAvoy-Band 1; Cheerleader 234; Pep Club 234; Ambassadors Club 4; National Honor Society, 34; Honor Roll 1234.

Theresa McEvoy- Band 1234; Jazz Band 34; Math Team 234; FBLA 4; Spanish Club 234; National Honor Society 34; Spanish Honor Society 234; Girls Soccer 1; Girls Volleyball 23; High Honor Roll 1234.

Ashlee McLeod- Choir 2; German Club 24; German National Honor Society 234; Honor Roll 1234.

Kristen Mederich- Cheerleader 23; Skills USA-VICA 124; Pep Club 23; Ambassadors Club 4; National Honor Society 4; Girls Tennis 12; Honor Roll 34; High Honor Roll 12.

Nicole Melone- Math Team 12; Fall Play Crew 1; French Club 1; Pep Club 13; French National Honor Society 234; Girls Cross Country 3; Girls Basketball 12; Softball 1; Honor Roll 1234; High Honor Roll 1234.

McKenzie Maloney- Girls Golf 34.

Brian Nelson-FBLA 1234; Student Council 123; French National Honor Society 234; Prom Court 3; Boys Track and Field 1; High Honor Roll 1234.

Nick Michael- Boys Basktball 1234; Boys Track and Field 12; Honor Roll 1234; High Honor Roll 1234.

Lynn Mielke- Chior 234; Concerl Choir 34; FBLA 1; Student Council 24; National Honor Society 34; Gilrs Basketball 1234; Girls Track and Field 34; Honor Roll 1234.

Karen Miller- Band 1234; Math Team 234; SADD 1; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 234; Honor Roll 1; High Honor Roll 234. Rich Miller- Football 12; Baseball 1234.

Rachel Moguel- Choir 1; Math Team 234; FBLA 34; International Club 34; Pep Club: 34; SADD 23; Junior State of America 4; National Honor Society 4; Spanish National Honor Society 2; Hanor Roll 34; High Honor Roll 12. Elisabeth Montenegro- Horticulture Club 1234.

Greg Moore- Wildcat Chronicle 4; FBLA 1234; National Honor Society 34; Homecoming Court 4; Prom Court 3; Boys Cross Country 1234; Boys Basketball 1; Boys Track and Field 123; Honor Roll 1234.

Aron Morris-FBLA 234; National Honor Society 34; Homecoming Court 4; Prom Court 3; Football 234; Wrestling 1; Baseball 1234; Honor Roll 1234; Ambassadors Club.

Amanda Morrison-Choir 234; Concert Choir 34; SADD 12; Spanish National Honor Society 234; Girls Volleyball 123; Girls Track and Field 1234; Honor Roll 34; High Honor Roll 12.

Lauren Mroz- Cheerleader 234; FBLA 1; Pep Club 234; SADD 3; Spanish National Honor Society 234; High Honor Roll 1234.

Jami Murphy- Spanish Club 1; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 234; Homecoming Court 4; Prom Court 3; Girls Volleyball 1234; Softball 12; High Honor Roll 1234.

Erich Musick- FBLA 234; Spanish National Honor Society 234; Boys Cross Country 4; High Honor Roll 1234.

Jessica Myers-Literary Magazine 234; Wildcat Chronicle 4; Girls Golf.

Christian Nelson- Math Team 23; SkillsUSA-VICA 234; Boys Swimming and Diving 1234; Boys Track and Field 1; Honor Roll 1234.

Kristin Nickelson-Basketball 12; Softball 1234; Dance Production 34; Academic All-Conference 234; Scholar Athlete 234; Academic Leadership Conference 3; Ambassador Club 4; Fowderpuff 3; Honor Roll 1234; Excellence in Mathematics Award 1234.

James Anthony Oroni- Choir 234: Chamber Choir 34; Concert Choir 34; Boys Musical Cast 34; Spring Musical Crew 34; Art Club 34; Junior State of America 4; Boys Swimming and Diving 1234; Boys Track and Field 1; Honor Roll 1234; Water Polo 4.

Mike Paschke- FBLA; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 34; Boys Golf 1234; Boys Basketball 1234; High Honor Roll 1234. Ruchita Patel- Math Team 34; Key Club 2; SADD 23; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 234; High Honor Roll 1234.

Queri Perez- Choir 4; Concert Choir 1; Forensics Team 1; Thespians 1; Winter Play Cast 1; Spring Musical Crew 3; SADD 2.

Kim Peterik- Band 1234; Math Team 1234; FBLA 4; Spanish Club 1234; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 234; Girls Tennis 234; Girls Basketball 12; High Honor Roll 1234.

Michael Peters- Band 1234; Math Team 4; National Honor Society 34. Matt Peterson- FBLA 4; SADD 4; National Honor Society 34; Football 12; Boys Soccer 34; Baseball1234; Honor Roll 23; High Honor Roll 1234.

Justin Pineda- Football 1; Boys Soccer 2; Boys Volleyball 34; Wrestling 124. Catherine Platt- Band 124; Color Guard 124; French Club 12; SADD 12.

Nathaniel Roberts- Choir 4; Chamber Choir 4; Math Team 34; Winter Play Crew 4; Spring Musical Crew 34; FBLA 1; Ambassadors Club 34; Boys Volleyball 1.

Esmeralda Robles- FBLA 4; Horticulture 3; Pep Club 4; Girls Soccer 1; Girls Volleyball 1; Girls Basketball 1; Badminton 34.

Noemi Rodriguez-French Club 34; Horticulture Club 4; SADD 4; Girls Soccer 13.

Magen Rogers- Spanish Club 4; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 234; Girls Basketball 1234; Softball 1; High Honor Roll 1234. Brian Romanelli- Math Team 12; FBLA 34; VICA 1234; National Honor Society 34; Boys Soccer 1234; Boys Volleyball 1234; Boys Track and Field 3; Honor Roll 1234; High Honor Roll 1234.

Ernesto Romo- Student Council 34; National Honor Society 34; German National Honor Society 34; Boys Soccer 234; Honor Roll 12; High Honor Roll 3.

Jeremy Rose- Junior State of America 34; Student Council 12.

Courtney Rubin- Choir 2; Thespitaris 34; Fall Play Cast 2; Fall Play Creve 4; Spring Musical Cast 3; Pep Club 4: SADD3.

Brandi Ruiz- Art Club 3; Softball 1234; Honor Roll 3.

Jim Mowicz- SkillsUSA-VICA 34; National Honor Society 34; German National Honor Society 1234; Football 1234; Boys Basketball 12; Boys Track and Field 3; High Honor Roll 1234.

Keri Sagen- French Club 1234; Girls Swimming 234; Honor Roll 1234; Peer Helping 234; Water Polo 4.

James Sallis- Football 1; Wrestling 1; Boys Soccer 2; Baseball 1234. Betsy Santana- Honor Roll 12.

Chris Sanzeri- Football 1234; Baseball 1; Boys Track and Field 23; FEA President 4; Varsity Football Captain.

Carmen Saucedo- VICA 234; French Club 1234; Horticulture Club 34; National Honor Society 34; French National Honor Society 12; Girls Cross Country 1234; Girls Soccer 3; Girls Track and Field 124; Honor Roll 34; High Honor Roll 12; President of French Club 34; Secretary of VICA 3; Treasurer of Horticulture 4: Foreign Exchange Host Student 24; Powder Puff 3; Variety Show 3; Outstanding Performance in Math 1234; Diversity Club 2.

Nicole Schar- Cheerleaders 234; Pep Club 234; SADD 2; National Honor Society 34; French National Honor Society 234; Girls Track and Field 2; Honor Roll 3; High Honor Roll 12; Future Educators of America 4; Varsity Cheerleading Captain 4; Pep Club Vice President 4.

Wyatt Schuyler- Football 234; Boys Soccer 1; Boys Track and Field 1234; Honor Roll 1234; All Area Track 3; Football All Conference 4; Track All Conference 3; Honorable Mention Football 3.

Margaret Schwartz- Choir 1234; Concert Choir 34; Cheerleaders 23; Spring Musical Cast 4; Girls Golf 4; Girls Volleyball 1; Girls Track and Field 4; Honor Roll 1234; Squad Member.

Alex Serrato- Choir 1; FBLA 3; Student Council 3; Boys Track and Field 12. Melissa Sheme-Forensics Team 234; Fall Play Crew 12; Winter Play Crew 2; Skills USA-VICA 1234; French Club 3; German Club 1234; Girls Swimming and Diving 1234; Girls Track and Field 123.

Scott Sieder- Choir 1; FBLA 234; SADD1; Ambassador Club 4; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 234; Homecoming Court 4; Football 1234; Baseball 1234.

Kelly Siekmann- Band 1; Cheerleaders 234; Math Team 2; Key Club]; FBLA 12; Pep Club 1234; Key Club 1; Student Council 12; Honor Roll 1234.

Matt Shambo- FBLA 1234; Student Council 23; National Honor Society 34; Football 12; Baseball 123; Honor Roll 1234; FBLA Treasurer 2; FBLA President 34; Student Council Class Treasurer 23; Student Council Executive Board Treasurer 3; Squad Member 34; Water Polo 4; 1* Place State Entrepreneurship Team

Nicole Skala- Girls Volleyball 1234; Girls Basketball 1234; Softball 1.

Derek Smith- Chess Team 1234; Wrestling 12; Honor Roll 1234.

Brian Steere- Band 1234; Jazz Band 234; National Honor Society 4; Honor Roll 1234.

Jackie Stentz- SADD 1.

Melissa Stevens- Scholastic Bowl 34; Literary Magazine 234; Wildcat Chronicle 34; French Club 4; Horticulture Club 4; Junior State of America 4; French National Honor Society 1234; Honor Roll 1234.

Kirsten Stockhoff- Scholastic Bowl 34; Literary Magazine 1234; French Club 4; Horticulture Club 3; SADD 3; Junior State of America 4; Ambassadors Club 34; National Honor Society 34; Editor and Vice President of Literary Magazine.

Kayla Stoinski- Choir 1; International Club 3; Girls Track and Field 1; Honor Roll 1234.

Marybeth Stotz-FBLA 4; Key Club 1; Spanish Club 1; SADD 1; Girls Soccer 13; Honor Roll 1234.

Nicole Strayve- Pep Club 3; Girls Soccer 1234.

Roger Strike- Football 1234; Honor Roll 1234.

Brittany Swantek- Honor Roll 1234.

Joanna Szeszycki- Pom Pons 2; Yearbook 4; Pep Club 2; Girls Volleyball 1234; Honor Roll 1234.

Marcin Szymoniak- Choir 1234; Concert 123; Football 12; Honor Roll 1234. Katie Taylor- Band 1234; Jazz Band 1234; Spanish Club 1234; International Club 4; Ambassadors Club 4; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society; Girls Soccer 1234; Honor Roll; Assist Drum Major 34; Solo and Ensemble 1; President of Spanish Club 4; Secretary of Spanish Club 23; Junior Class Representative For Band 3; Librarian For Band 23; Representative Band 1234; Marching Band 1234; Concert Band 1234; Outstanding Performance in Math 123; Exchange Student to Spain 2; Spain Exchange Host; Who's Who; Youth Industry Day 34. Matt Timko- German Club 4; Junior State of America 4; Football 12; Honor Roll 1234.

Luzmaria Tlatehui- French Club 4; Spanish Club 4; French National Honor Society 234; Honor Roll 1234; Dance Production; Best Pronunciation (French Plays); "Who's Who".

Joseph Tumidalsky- Band 1234; Jazz Band 234; Literary Magazine 4; Spring Musical pit 34; Boys Tack and Field 1; Honor Roll 1234; Community Band 4; Jazz Combo 34; Solo and Ensemble 24 34.

Elizabeth Valdez- Jazz band 4; Choir 1234; Chamber Choir 1234; Concert Choir 34; Spring Musical Cast 24; Spanish Club 1; Spanish National Honor Society 234; Softball 1; Honor Roll 134; High Honor Roll 2; All District Choir 234; Choir Press 4.

Daliana Vargas- Art Club 3; French National Honor Society 3; Girls Basketball 12; Honor Roll 1; High Honor Roll 23.

Chris Vlasvich- Choir 1; Football 12; Boys Volleyball 1234.

Hope Vock- Pom Pons 234; Math Team 4; French Club 34; Pep Club 234; National Honor Society 34; French National Honor Society 234; High Honor Roll 1234; Peer Helping 23; Dance Production 234; Teens Against Tobacco Use 34.

Kathryn Walker- Spanish Club 4; International Club 4; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 34; Softball 1234; High Honor Roll 1234.

Kristina Wanous- Scholastic Bowl 34; Literary Magazine 1234; French Club 4; International Club 3; National Honor Society 34; French National Honor Society 1234.

Sean Warren- Choir 4; Chamber Choir 4; Concert Choir 4; Boys Ensemble 4; Math Team 1234; Yearbook 1234; Thespians 34; Fall Play Cast 4; Winter Play Cast 4; French Club 1234; Junior State of America 4; National Honor Society 234; Honor Roll 1234.

Margaret Wdowiarz- Band 1; Cheerleader 234; Pep Club 234; SADD 2; Student Council 234; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 234; German National Honor Society; Girls Cross Country 1; Girls Track and Field 1; Honor Roll 1234.

John Weier- Chess Team; Ambassadors Club 34; National Honor Society 34; Boys Basketball 1234; Baseball 1234; High Honor Roll 1234.

Michelle Weiss- Math Team 4; SADD 34; Spanish National Honor Society 234; Honor Roll 1234.

Laura Wheeland- Cheerleader 234; Pep Club 1234; SADD 1.

Kelley Whitman- Cheerleader 23; Pep Club 23; Girls Soccer 12; Wrestling Manager 12; Cosmetology School 34; Statewide Student; Competition for Cosmetology.

Lindsey Wonsowski- SADD 12; National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 23; Girls Soccer 234; Honor Roll 1; High Honor Roll 234.

Sarah Wood- Pom Pons 234; Math Team 2; Pep Club 234; National Honor Society 34; French National Honor Society 234, Pom Pon Captain 4; Squad 234; FEA Vice President 4; Pep Club Treasurer 4.

CJ Wostratzky- Band 1234; Math Team 1234; FBLA 1234; Student Council 1234; Boys Soccer 1234; Boys Swimming and Diving 1234; Boys Volleyball 123; Honor Roll 234; High Honor 1.

Jody Yednock- National Honor Society 234; Honor Roll 1234; High Honor Roll 1234; Gymnastics at Arerial Gymnastic Club 1234; Qualified for Level 10 Regional 1234; 2-Time State Bar Champion; Sunday School Teacher 1234; Full Athletic Scholarship to NIU.

Jessica York- National Honor Society 34; Spanish National Honor Society 234; Honor Roll 1234; High Honor Roll 1; Costa Rican Exchange Student Host 4; Costa Rican Exchange Student 3; NHS Executive Board Treasurer 4.

Jenn Zimmerman- Cheerleader 1; Softball 1; Honor Roll 34.

Senior Memories

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Kristina Wanous



Lauren Kirby



Michael Paschke

Dear Kristina,

You have filled our lives with such joy, love and pride. Your accomplishments thus far have been amazing, and you are destined for even greater achievements in the future. May your opportunities and successes have no bounds! We love you, Mom and Dad

We have always been proud of all your accomplishments. No matter what you do in life, we're sure that you'll exceed our highest expectations! We love you so much and we only wish the best in the world for you because you deserve only the best. Lawren, I just wanted to say you're my best friend and the one I will always count on. Sometimes we are the mirror image of each other and other times we couldn't be more opposite, but because of you, I know myself better.

Love Always, Mom, Dad, & Erin

Dear Mike,

We want you to know how proud we are of you. Your commitment to do your best, your efforts in sports, your strong beliefs and your great sense of humor--these are all important elements of your personality. Keep focused and be the best you can be.

> We love you Mom, Dad, Emily, and Toto

Dear Sean,

It was just yesterday that you were staring at ants in the crack in the sidewalk. You have filled our hearts with joy. It is you we all talk like when we think of little boys. You had to be held facing the world instead of being oradled inward. You came into this world so fast and ready for anything. You have taken the time to help others and be a loyal friend. You have the ability to do whatever your heart years for. We love you and are proud of the young man you have become.



Sean Chapman

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Mom, Dad, Nick, and Katt

Dear Jessica,

We are very proud of you. We wish you much happiness and success as you begin a new chapter in your life.

Mom, Dad, and Jenny



Jessica Cariak

We are so proud of you. We know you will be successful in everything you do. Don't be afraid to shoot for the stars. Our love and support will always be with you.

> Congratulations. Mom and Dad



Nicholas Chillemi



Mike Doll



Dan Deutsch



Katy Kostal



Joe Klingberg

Mien U are U, U R Unique. We hope U know. We are so proud of U! Dad and Mom

We are very proud of your accomplishments

You've gone from running "naked" as a two

year old to running "in your underwear." We are

so proud. Congratulations on all your achieve

ments... May this only be the beginning!

and your school spirit. Your character and

charm are like no other. You certainly have what

it takes to succeed. Congratulations!

Love

Love

· Mom and Dad

Mom and Dad

"You are one of a kind; therefore, no one can really predict to what heights you might soar. Even you will not know write you spread your wings!" -Gil Athinson

We are so provid of you. Good luck as you spread your wings!

Love you so much, Dad and Mom

Dear Beth,

We have been privileged to watch you grow from a baby into a beautiful young woman. You have made us very proud. You will always have our love and support.

> Love you, Mom and Dad



Carrie Gallimore



Beth Kipp



You were always a good kid when you were little, but you have turned into a terrific young adult. Not only are you a great student, you are a kind and caring person, and we are so proud of you. We will miss you very much when you go off to college next year. But we are confident that you will succeed in anything you try! The years have gone too quickly, but we love the person you have besome!

Mom and Dad



Sean Warren

Joey ,

Katy,

We are so proud of you and your many achievements, including going downstate for track as a jurior and making the playoffs in football as a senior. It has been a joy to watch you every step of the way. As you continue your journey through life, you'll always have our love and support.

Mom, Dad and Jamie

Dear Laura,

It seems like only yesterday that you started your 1st day of kindergarten, and now you're graduating high school. You fill our days with fore and laughter. May all your dreams come truel

> We Love you Mom and Dag



Laura Wheeland



Christine Hendron



Ashley Mazzola



Jim Oroni



Alex Baker

Dear Christine,

You have brought a lot of happiness into our lives from the time you were conceived. Your accomplishments have been amazing in these 18 years. You are always caring for people and brighten all the lives you touch. We are very proud of you and wish the best of everything in your future.

We love you! Ma, Pa, Michael, Julie, and Stephanie

Dear Ashley,

We would like to thank you for filling our lives with much love, laughter, and happiness. There could not be any parents more proud of their child than we are. We are proud of your academic accomplishments and the wonderful young woman you have become. As you embark on your new adventure at college, remember our hearts are always with you and that you are still our "little girl."

> We love you, Mom and Dad

When you were young, we tried to imagine what you would be like when you were grown. We had hopes and we had dreams but no real vision of who you would become. We want you to know that you have surpassed those hopes and dreams and have given us the vision of the man you will be. We hope that you will someday know the immeasurable joy of bringing a life into this world that always affords you the opportunity to look upon him with pride to say, "That's MY son!" We wish you every happiness and as for your future success, please know that you already possess every quality you'll ever need. We love you!

Mom and Dad

Dear Alex,

To our favorite person, we wish you a lifeime filled with happiness and success. We love

Mom and Dad

Dearest Katle,

It can't be 18 years since you gave your mother so much trauma coming into this world. Just yesterday you would check my pockets every night looking for your present. Remember what's important in life: laughter, love, family. and friends. Be true to yourself: Listen to your heart; it will tell you what to do. We couldn't love you any more, and we'll always have your back. Look out world. Here she comes!!!

Mom and Dad

Dear Christopher,

We have watched you grow and grow and grow! How proud we are of everything you have accomplished. Keep setting goals and you will reach them. We will always be here for you! May your successes have no bounds and God bless you.

> Mom, Dad, Bridgette, Mallory, and Nick

Love

Margy:

"If you want to see paradise simply look around and view it! Anything you want to do it! Want to change the world? "There's nothing to it!"

Willy Wonka

Mom, Dad, Jody, Em, Al, Jon, and Lavra

Love

Drew,

Congratulations! You have made us very proud of you. We know you will succeed in whatever future path you choose.

Mom, Dad, and Leigh

Love,



Katie Baginshi



Christopher Sanzeri



Margy Schwartz



Drew Martino



Angel Chiarito



Wyatt Schuyler



Andrew Photopulos



Heather Koslow

How did we go from Barbie Dolls and playing house to buying your own car and planning on college? I know that whatever goals you set for yourself, you will succeed. Much love and happiness, Mom

To lead by example is the best legacy one can

We have watched with joy and delight as

you've grown from a little boy to being the fine young man you are today. You are truly a

blessing. May God watch over you as you

continue life's journey. We're so very proud of

you and love you with all our hearts. Congratu-

Mom, Dad, Dianna, and John

You are a sweet, beautiful, young lady,

which we are so proud of. We know you have the

brightest future ahead of you. We love you very

Forward Ho- Grandson.

Grandfather Lee Baker

Dear Wyatt,

Dear Andrew,

lations!

Dear Heather,

much.

Leave!

Dan Boy-

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose. You're on your own and you know what you know. And you are the guy who will decide where to go." -Dr. Seuss

> We are proud of you-Your family

Wyatt, Wyatt, Wyatt-Straight up- from this moment forward! The <u>Journey</u> is the Reward! We love you-Infinity':



Daniel Kaylor



Wyatt Schuyler



Love,

Dad and Mom

Words cannot express how proud we are of you! We have watched you grow from a little girl into an outstanding young woman. You possess all the qualities we could ask for in a daughter:kindness, compassion, integrity, to name just a few. We know you will become a wonderful teacher and an excellent role model for all the children lucky enough to know you. We feel blessed every day to have you.

> All our love, Mom, Dad, Jachi, and Ben

d we are of rom a little man. You

Sarah Wood

Elizabeth Christine,

We have seen you grow into a loving and caring person. Continue that journey personally and spiritually. We are very proud of you! All our love, Mom and Dad



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Elizabeth Valdez



Stephanie Neumann



Jim Rylowicz and Matt Kallas



Adam Scardamaglia



Jackyn Demes

Dear Steph,

Dear Jim and Matt,

As you say so long, farewell to high school, we want you to know how proud we are of you You're a beautiful young woman, both inside and out. "As sure as the stars shine above, we'll always love you!

Mom, Dad, and Allia

Brian,

Congratulations on your graduation !! We are very proud of your accomplishments and the person you've become. Don't be afraid to continue to reach for your dreams! Remember, the shy is the limit!

Mom and Dad

Love,

Dear Kayla,

From an adorable little girl to a beautiful yoursg woman, we are very proud of you and you umesses! Your future is limitless! With much love Mom, Wayne, and Keith



Brian Nelson

Kayla Halsall

Deur Sarah,

God has blessed us with a wonderful daughter who is gifted in so many ways. Congratulations on completing high school and we look forward to how you will use your God-given talents in college and beyond.

Mom and Da



Sarah Hammer

Dear Jackyn,

We love you very much and are so proud of you! As you face new choices in life, just emember that if a choice does not move you in the direction of your dreams, that choice is no longer an option.

Mom, Dad, Amanda, and Lynette

Love,

Dear Joey,

18 years ago, God blessed us with a beautiful baby boy who has brought nothing but joy and laughter to us and his brother and sister. We are so proud of what you have manufilished so far and can't wait to see how the next journey in your life begins. We wish you nothing but the best. Congratulations.

Mom, Dad, Jorge, and Elisa



Joey Farelas



It's been a blast watching you grow up

Congratulations

From All of Us

Ksep working hard and having fun!

Dear Adam,

From your first year and on, you ve been a wonderful son and friend. We are so proud of ou. Remember to always have a passion for what you do in life.

Mom, Dad, Sarah, and Andrew



Rachel Howath



Stephanie A. Bodane



Mercedes Castro



Liliana Mariano

Rachel,

Dear Stephanie,

You've warmed our hearts and made us very proud of your accomplishments in high school. As you sprout your wings and move forward, always remember "There's No Place Like Home."

We are very proud of you! Good luck to you

You are an example for your brothers as

sisters, showing them that you can accomplish

anything you set your mind to. We as your parents are very proud of you for accomplishing

this first big goal in your life, and we hope that

you accomplish many more goals. We are very

proud of what you have accomplished already

and we know that you will succeed in life. Good luck in this journey you are about to embark and

remember that we will always be here for you

Dad, Mom, and Family

in college. May your dreams come true

We Love You, Mom, Dad, and Nick

Be all that you can be. We are so proud of Love Mom and Day

Dear Catherine:

You have grown to become a loving, caring, strong, bright young lady. If you have a dream, strive to make it happen. You can do whatever your heart desires. We love you very much. You are the best daughter a parent could want. Congratulations.

> Mom, Dad, Stephanie, BJ, Christine, and Matt

Lour,



Jenny Bieniasz



Catherine Platt

Jackie,

Like a rose, you have blossomed from a sweet little girl into a beautiful young woman, inside and out. We are very proud of the person you have become and all you have accomplished. Our wish for you is that all the dreams you hold in your heart come true!

We love you, Mom and Dad



Jacquelyn Rose Stentz

Dear Lily,

We can't believe the time has gone by really fast. Just yesterday you were a little baby going through your first steps in kindergarten, to el-ementary school, middle school, and now you are graduating from high school. We want to wish you luck in the future and success in life.

Mom, Dad, and Exist

Mom and Dag

Rachel,

We've always loved your big smile, your sense of humor, caring, and are still amazed with your lalent and creativity. These qualities are your success for the future. We're so roud of you!

Mom and Day

Love



Rachel Borsodi



On any journey, one cannot go it alone. Scaling Everest, exploring the Amazon - most adventures require a guide. Without them travelers are left to fend for themselves. Such dependence is similar to high school with the educators taking the place of the guides. Without teachers, students would be lost amidst a sea of algebra and essays.

"My teachers really helped me out when I was confused," said Jessica Robertson (105). The appreciation was mutual according to her English teacher Ms. Kuehn.

When asked about her favorite part of her job, Ms. Kuehn said. "There are so many to choose from, but my favorite part of the job is the energy you get working with students. Each day is different!"

Welcoming 17 new teachers while bidding fond farewells to six old guides the 20022003 school year proved to be a standout time in the history of Community High School

-Katy Kostal



Math teacher Mr. Doll shows off his super school spirit at the Homecoming Pep Rally.



Forensics coaches Mr. Kling and Mr. Kellner take a break from the tournament.

Mrs. Claiborne tugs her hardest trying to defeat the Social Studies Department.



Mr. Highland sings to a maiden, Fran Strohm, in the Variety Show.





Marjorie Appel Margaret Arnold Gail Aronoff Michael Assaf

Christopher Bardey Cynthia Bedford William Bicker Teresa Blonda Nancy Blume





Melissa Bortnick **Kimberly Brafford** Anne Branch Linda Brandt Maura Bridges

Zerrin Bulut Susan Callahan Nicholas Caltagirone Patricia Clifford Andrea Cobbett

Faculty

Valerie Cook Maria Correa Cindie Cortinas Timothy Courtney Joseph Crickard

Mary Daneels Julio Delreal Lucila Delreal Matthew Doll Jodi Donovan

Megan Dulkinys David Exner Brandon Fantozzi Angela Farmer Brenda Frechmann





Left: Not only does Ms. Johnson help students in the guidance office, she is an active Snowball Advisor.

Above: Ms. Giron, Ms. Slobodecki, Mrs. Arnold, and Mrs. Lemberg-Finn show their Halloween Spirit. Right: Community High School graduate Mr. Fantozzi returns this year as the choir director.



Amy Gibson Kevin Gimre Jessica Giron Ildemaro Godinho Heather Goebel

Deana Goodwin Garrick Grizaffi James Guter Mary Hafertepe Gregory Hansen

Mary Haskins Kristi Hasty Aaron Hayes Robert Hein John Highland





Science teacher Ms. Gilgallon enthusiastically greets her students in Botany class.

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"We don't have u lot of time so take with your clothes!" -Mr. Guint



Barbara Holmes Patricia Horton Lenore Hrejsa

Jeanne Hunt Allison Ioli Kristen Isacson







Ms. Laimins addresses the crowd during an afternoon pep assembly.



Social Studies and Government teacher Ms. Daneels shows off her "cheese head." She obviously is a big Packers fan.



On Halloween, Ms. Kairys salutes her fellow soldiers and their brave actions.



P.E. teacher Mr. McLeland gives his first day of school speech to first hour P.E. students.



Catherine Jaeger Felecia Johnson-Ford Katie Jones

Paul Junkroski Susan Junkroski Candace Kairys







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Kevin Kane Jeffery Kargol Steven Kellner



Beverly Kilgallen Dina Klancir Jason Kling





Officer Quarto joins the party at the last home football game.



r. Maxson directs students to their classes a the first day of school.



Mrs. Zmrhal gets down with her dance classes and takes part in the Richard Simmons ABC tape.



Security guard Larry, a.k.a. Leslie Neilson lookalike, takes a break from checking passes.



Wayne Kosek Michael Koulos Patti Kozlowski

Scott Krebsbach Patricia Kroger Laura Kuehn



Guidance counselor Mr. Rau always has a visitor in his office. Perhaps it's his M&Ms.







"I'm going to slap you stilly!" -Mr. Caltaginone "TE is the chapter from hell." -Ms. Tunt

Nicole Kulik Bradley Larson Gregory Leitner Terry Lemberg-Finn Christopher Lukas

> Judy MacDonald Jill Marchiando Barbi Mathews Robert Maxson Thomas McCann

D. Paul McLeland Marianne Melvin Judith Minor Eduardo Montoya Dianne Mueller







Left: Mr. Healy, a.k.a. Superman, "flies" in to crown We-Go's Homecoming Queen. Above: Mrs. Bortnick patiently rests while donating her blood during the Key Club's blood drive. Right: Mrs. Wilson can always shows her bright shining smile anytime of the day.



Tammie Murphy Kristina Nuesser Sarah Olsen Carol Parks Peggy Peach

Maria Perez Jeanne Poe Mark Poulterer Austin Reagan Leroy Rieck

Suzanne Roddy Annette Rubino James Rumberger Patricia Santella David Sayner



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Catherine Thielberg Alicia Thomas Michele Torres Jo-Ann Tunt Brian Turnbaugh





Left: Student assistant Mr. Pence expresses his Halloween spirit in physical science class.

Above: Volleyball Coach Hasty concentrates after the girls' first match against Naperville North.

Right: Mr. Courtney is proud to be back after he took a year off to go back to school himself.



Susan Turner Rosaura Valencia Aurora Velasquez Timothy Walsh Vivian Walsh

John Walters James Watson Lisa Willuweit Sandra Wilson Maria Wirth

Donald Zabelin Tammie Zegar Jay Zelman Michael Zepeda Helen Zmrhal



Mr. Highland wakes up with an everpresent smile and his cup of coffee as he is spotted darting through Commons in the morning.

Suspenderless

Mr. John Highland, the new principal of Community High School, can be considered one of the school's most devoted faculty members for the past 28 years. He worked for five years at the junior high school and 23 years at the high school. Over this span of time. Highland has held multiple positions including eacher, department chair of science and music, assistant clean clean guidance courselor, assistant principal, associate principal, and principal. "If ve really enjoyed each position If ve had. Each affered a different perspective on education," he said.

According to Highland, he "can never really relax" as principal. "There is a constant feeling of responsibility," he said. In fact, Highland added that he enjoys and oppreciates all sports and activities at the high school, and if he could he would be involved in each one.

Despite the responsibility, Highland sold that he really had fun the year working with students and staff. Community High School is unique because the acuity connects with the students, he sold, adding that "It is so important to tailto [the students] and know them."

Outside of all of the work at school, Mr. Highland enjoys spending time with his family. He travels and coaches his children's sports and activities. During his free time, he plays the guiltar, plano, and sings

Christine Hendron

Five Facts About Mr. Highland

 Hz went to college on a football scholarship.

 2.) He has worked in the West Chicago schools for 26 years.

3.)He has held multiple positors while working in the West Chicago schools.

 His favorite meal from the cafeteria is a "tuna fish sandwich and soup with a Coke."

5.)His favorite hobbies include playing tennis: golfing, and traveling.



Mr. Highland, dressed as the Phantom of the Opera, passionately sings "Music of the Night" during the Variety Show.



To foster school spirit at the Homecoming Pep Assembly, our "Old Man" proudly says a few words.



The staff members play a joke on the new head principal to welcome him into his new position.



Associate Principal Mr. McCann fills in for Mr. Highland at the Foreign Language Honors Society induction ceremony.



Mr. Highland's secretary, Lynn Knutson, said the secret to his success is sticking to a formula that works.

So What's 14 Like Working For Mr. Highland?

"He is a really easy gap to work for and not much ba changed, he is always moving, always on the ga, and yous things done."

> -Mrs. Koofaoo Mr. Highland's Secrebary

Photography Club

With the click of many cameras, the Photography Club helped to capture the magical moments of the 2002/2003 school year. Serving as the advisor for this new club, Mr. Arroyo helped students to snap the photographs, develop them and organize them into portfolios. Whether they were shooting prom, sports, or just their friends hanging out, these students remembered their cameras and documented the social and athletic history of 2003. Their contributions are included in this yearbook, and the Challenge staff greatly appreciates their assistance this year and looks forward to their contributions in the years to come. Thanks for your help!

-Lilli Cassidy



Katherine Patnaude, and Gwen Smith prepare to take pictures with styles!





Front: Gwen Smith, Katherine Patnaude, Nina Slater, Sarah Hasse. 2nd row: Mr. Arroyo, Adriana Ballines, Mike Savegnago, Maricarmen Osorio, Yesenia Fernandez, Jessica Martinez. Back row: Sara Earhart, Bob Nagel, Brooke Bachelor, Bryan Duffy

Heads above the Rest

Mr. Koulos teaches more than the regular curriculum, he teaches about the real world. Students in Mr. Koulos' classes don't just simply sit at desks and study from textbooks, they practice job interviews and other skills to help then with future employment. "The highlight of the year is the Annual Employee-Employer luncheon," said Mr. Koulos, explaining that it is a formal banquet where over 200 students and their employers have the opportunity to interact.

When asked what the most rewarding part of his job was, Mr. Koulos said it was seeing his students "being able to apply what they learn in the real world." Mr. Koulos places his students at a job site and loves to see that they keep the job, even when he is out of the picture.

However, before students in Mr. Koulos' classes gets into the real world, they have mock interviews in class. The students select the company and then research

It. On the presentation day, they come dressed up and ready to be interviewed. The students in Mr. Koulos' class have a great learning experience and are ready for the future.

-Lilli Cassidy

"My favorite part of Mr. Koulos' class is when 1 am the game show host for game day on FridayI" -deff Linsenmeyer (*05)

Shawn Shumate gets excited as he listens to Mr. Koulos tell him about the mock interviews they would be doing.





Kenny Yanez and Ryan Mims appear deep in thought over what Mr. Koulos just said.

> "People with disabilities can make a difference in the world."

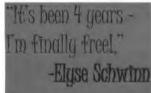
-Mr. Koulos



Front row: Jason Slusar, Shawn Shumate, Jeannie Hunt, Vivianna Martinez. 2nd row: Dan Delort, Jeff Linsenmeyer, Ryan Mims, Jaime Altamirano, Jennifer Thompson, Irene Vivaldo, and Jolene Whitlock. Back row: Valerie Cook, Joanne Martin, Rigo Flores, Kenny Yanez, Michael Koulos, Jessica Limbrick, and Shannon Ptak.

The Final Stretch

"West Chicago was very good to me. I'm sad to leave it: but in the same sense I'm looking forward to the fature," -Dan Deatisch



"Advice to fatare grads. after you throw your hat, pick one up and ran," -Jessica Varble



Mr. Healy stands with Mrs. Owens for singing of the national anthem.



Senior Class President Maggie Wdowiarz sheds tears as she hugs Nicole Schar after gradutaing.

It seemed like it would never end, but on June 1st, 2003, it culminated in one final ceremony. The Class of 2003 finished it's four year long journey through Community High School. From freshman year to the last day as seniors, these students worked and slaved to finally be able to toss their caps in the air and walk away with diplomas, as though one piece of paper could do justice to the four years of memories they each made.

"I really wanted to wear nothing ander my robe, then I was afraid I'd trip up the steps to get my diploma and changed my mind." -Sean Chapman

"It's been a pleasure teaching some of you," said Commencement Speaker Mr. Healy.

It may have seemed like the end, but in every finale lies the opportunity for a more promising beginning. With the caliber of gradutes leaving, there's no doubt they will prove that phrase to be true.

-Katy Kostal



Amanda Koester, Kristin Koltz, Katy Kostal, Heather Koslow and Nicole Kovacevic await their final West Chicago ceremony.

"I really don't have any graduation cliches for you about the road ahead or how this is the beginning of some journey. What I do have is a quote from Socrates that should be acted upon by all. "An unexamined life is not worth living"." -Joe Tumidalsky <u>Valedictorians</u> Patrick Baur, Mike Doll, Josh Hartman, Katy Kostal, Paul Majchrowski, Erich Musick, Kristina Wanous, and Jody Yednock <u>Salutatorian</u> Susan Lincoln



Graduating senior Tom Aguirre waits with Officer Theodore.

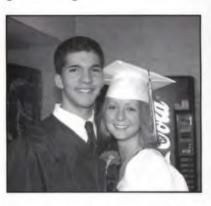


Nick Bernard shares a laugh with his coach Mr. McLeland.





Brittany Swantek beams after graduating.

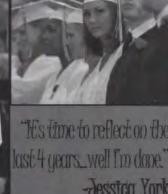


Tony Reyes and Meredith Koch prepare to leave high school.



No matter how much live complained over the gears. 'm actually forever grateful for the people I've met and

lessons I've learned."





"No more French for the rest of my life!" -Jason Adams

"Tve learned that things

-Nick Bernand

always work out."



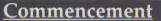


-Hope Voci

Heather Cirone strolls in to "Pomp and Circumstance."



Japanese exchange student Yuko Otsuka said she'll miss We-Go.



The scary day of freshman year~when all the faces weren't clear~ sights and sounds unlike before~engulfed us as we walked through the door~some old friends and familiar

faces~led us for a few days through all the strange places~older souls we once had known~had new personalities that were brightly shown~soon came sports, clubs, and dances~new best friends, and romances~as well as study-

ing with the masses~also pressure, no sleep and changes~for worse or better, companions became strangers~finals came and finals went~with some pain, relief, and sentiment~the past 12 years had been so

quick~so seemingly endless, and now so tragic~we did not know what we had possessed~it was so much better than

our newest best~but we grow social, strong and older~abolish fears, weakness and get bolder~settling into our first year~happened when we all feared~days 'tl the finale, and no more fun~ of daily seeing everyone~seniors are going and soon will be gone~reminding us of that

vitamin song~we'll pray for the day when it's our turn~then cry when it comes through all we've earned~so take advantage of this precious time~where the memories will be yours and mine~we'll never have this experience again~so laugh it up with a friend~don't forget how it began~with a twisting stomach and a shaking hand~for soon those feelings will go through repetition~on the final day of graduation

Senior Superlatives

For The Class Of 2003



Most likely to become a Professional Athlete, Katy Kostal, gets ready to run at the 3200m at the State Track Meet.



Jamie Murphy shows off her awardwinning smile at prom.

Best... Dancer: Rich Miller & Hope Vock Dressed: Alex Serrato & Lauren Martinez Eyes: Brian Nelson & Kristi Nickelson Hair: Alex Baker & Jill Kufta Laugh: Matt Kallas & Elyse and Heather Barron Looking: Aron Morris & Margy Schwartz Musician: Tom Aguirre & Melissa Lund Person to Copy Homework from: "Mr. Intelligent" & Lindsey Wonsowski Personality: E-man Vasquez & Lynn Mielke Singer: Sean Warren & Elizabeth Valdez Smile: Matt Coiley & Jamie Murphy

Extras...

Biggest Appetite: Dan Ballines & Aimee Beutke Biggest Flirt: Simon Blanco & Lindsay Paulsen Class Clown: Derek Jensen & Ashley Mazzola Cutest Voice: Greg Moore & Nicole Kovacevic Friendliest: Jake Delort/Josh Keeley (tie) & Colleen Mathias Life of the Party: Class of 2003 Loudest: Chris Sanzeri & Heather Koslow



Best personality E-man Vasquez and Lynn Mielke hang out with class clown Ashley Mazzola and friendly Jake Delort.



Prom Queen Aimee Beutke has the biggest appetite of the senior class.

Most...

Changed: Scott Sieder & Kelly Siekmann Confident: Tony Zumpano & Lindsay Paulsen Creative: John French & Brandi Ruiz Daring: Josh Hartman & Nicole Melone Defiant: Joe Kelly & Jessi Crockatt Easy Going: Justin Steck & Kristi Nickelson Gullable: Wyatt Schuyler & Marybeth Stotz Helpful: Jason Forbrook & Carrie Gallimore Individualistic: Joe Kelly & Melissa Heron Intelligent: Pat Baur & Jody Yednock Mysterious: Matt Shambo & Dali Vargas Organized: Jeremy Rose & Emily Biancalana Outspoken: Tony Zumpano & Dominique Scott School Spirit: Alex Baker & Maggie Wdowiarz Trendy: Scott McKee & Natalie Chudoba Understanding: E-man Vazquez & Beca Duran Unique: Brad Sabathne & Melissa Heron

Most Likely To...

Become Famous: Tom Aguirre & Erin Henry Become A Game Show Host: Sean Warren & Ashley Mazzola Become A Millionaire: Erich Musick & Drew Martino Become An MTV VJ: Alex Serrato & Aimee Beutke Become President: Jeremy Rose & Dominique Scott Become A Professional Athlete: Rich Miller & Katy Kostal Be On Jerry Springer: Chris Sanzeri & Nicole Melone Be Late for Their Own Funeral: Greg Hodge & Norah McAvoy Be On A Magazine Cover: Scott Sieder & Margy Schwartz Be Married with 8 kids: Charlie Cloutier & Laura Wheeland Be On SNL: Mike Martinez & Ashley Mazzola Teach at We-Go: Nick Bernard & Maggie Wdowiarz Travel the World: Joe Tumidalsky & Beth Kipp Win A Nobel Peace Prize: Luke Dean & Beca Duran Win An Oscar: Sean Warren & Kristen Koltz



(Left): Class Clown Derek Jensen is often caught amusing his classmates.

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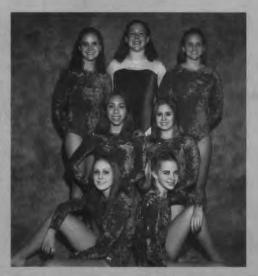
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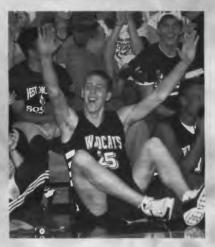
Jostens Consultant Mr. Les Laroche (clearly) As the Yearbook staff strived for a theme for the 2003 Fearbook, members argued for a theme that would continue to have meaning long after the 2003 school year came to a close. After days of debating ideas ranging from "Take a Walk on the Wildcat Side" to "If Vaalls Could Talk," one member suggested "Here We Go" – a phrase that serves as both a pun on the school's name and as a phrase pchoed in the hallways of the high school at the start of school in August and at the conclusion of school in June.

This phrase "Here We Go" had special meaning for our staff and school. "Here We Go" certainly was muttered under the breath of the football and basketball players who led our teams to victorious seasons for the first time in decades. It was whispered by freshmen as they entered the halls of We-Go for the very first time. The deans spoke it as they dealt with whoever planted that tree on the football field. It was on the lips of those students who danced the night away at the prom. And it was certainly on the minds of West Chicago's alumni, families and friends who served in the Persian Gulf this spring as the United States invaded Iraq.

As the Class of 2003 left West Chicago after graduation this spring, one phrase summer up their plans and dreams. The journey of high school may have ended, but the journey of adulthood has just begun. Here We Go!







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