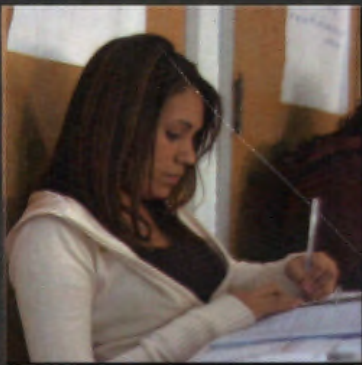


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As Wildcats, we...CHALLENGE.....

DISCOVER

Live, Lead, Learn. It's What We Do

What do we, West Chicago students, do everyday as we journey through the halls of our school? For most of us, what we do amounts to living, learning, and leading. West Chicago Wildcats are constantly in action. Our actions represent our ability to be a community within our school. The countless number of friendships we make at school leaves a lasting impression on us for the rest of our lives. We-Go is a kingdom of learning and a palace of education and what we do as individuals and as students makes our school unique. At Community High School,...

... we study for long hours until our brains go numb.

It's what we do.

... we memorize facts to ace a test.

It's what we do.

... we cheer for **Mr. Highland** to shave off his mustache.

It's what we do.

... we solve complicated math problems.

It's what we do.

... we argue endlessly in government class.

It's what we do.

... we misbehave and attend Saturday detention.

It's what we do.

... we dress up as Disney characters during Homecoming week.

It's what we do.

... we bob our heads to loud music.

It's what we do.

... we join together on the dance floor for one last dance.

It's what we do.

... we laugh, we cry, and we live for another day.

It's what we do.

... we look back on good times with friends and teachers.

It's what we do.

... we leap in the air when we hear a song we like.

It's what we do.

... we promise to write and remember everyone.

It's what we do.

... we accept the fact that we are no longer children, but mature young adults.

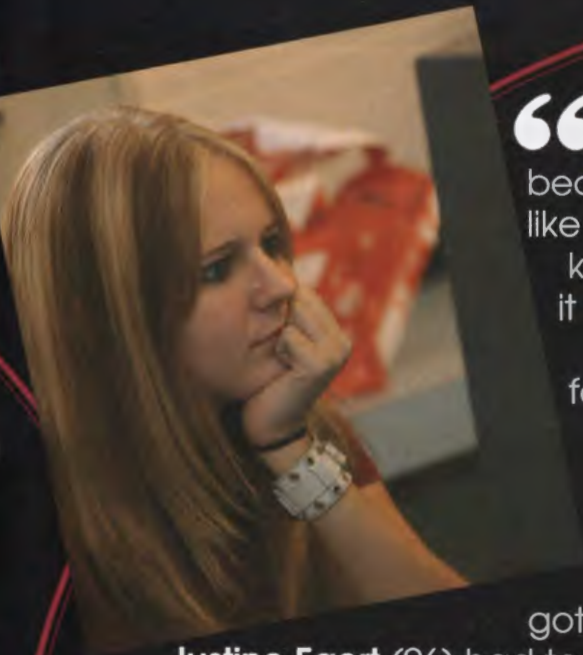
It's what we do.

... we miss everything about high school once we are gone.

It's what we do.

Here at We-Go, we are a very active group of people and what we do defines who we are.

.....uncover.....start.....instigate.....



“ I **loved** being the school mascot because I got to run around like an **idiot** without anyone knowing who I was. I liked it until I got **tackled** into the fence by the football field, then it just hurt. Freshmen **hunted** me down and pulled my tail, and I actually got hit in the face.

Justine Egert (06) had to hold me back from **chasing** after the ones that kept bothering me. I never realized how **hard** it would be to represent the school as the **mascot** until I almost passed out due to heat exhaustion in the Homecoming Parade. But it was worth every minute of it. It is the most **memorable** part of senior year. ”

- **Brittany Rose** (06)



Ashley Portretow (06)



Allison Rysell (07)



Jessica Bedard (09) and **Michelle Blackman** (09)



Rogelio Vazquez (08)

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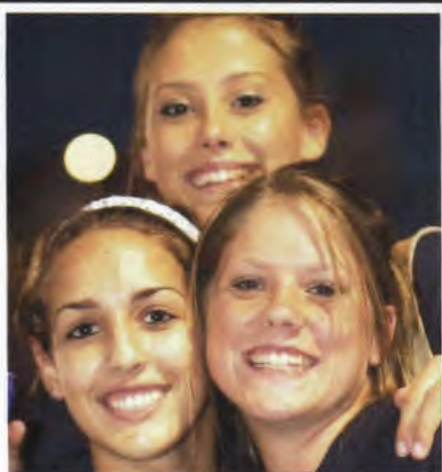
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As Wildcats...

We **dawdle** and **dodge** our way through the halls each day
 hoping we make it to our classes before the bell rings.
 Inside our classrooms our teachers **inspire** and **motivate** us.
 At times we **complain** about our workload or **daydream**.
 Eventually we **realize** the importance of a good education
 and the importance of embracing the best time of our lives.
 It is here at Community High School where we are given the opportunities to **achieve**
 small goals that **transform** into great accomplishments,
create lasting relationships, and **test** our true character.
 We **laugh** with our classmates, **cheer** on our teammates,
 and **gossip** about anything that moves.
 We **work** hard, **challenge** our minds,
 and **explore** new opportunities.
 It is here at Community High School where we can **be** proud of not only the white and blue,
 but also of ourselves.
 ... It's what we do.



.....define.....recollect.....live.....

Enthuse



The Squad's Motivation Brings Success to Athletes

Matching T-shirts, arm bands, war paint, original chants and cheers, students in the masses, **united** we are The Squad. We wear navy blue T-shirts that bear our nicknames and personal numbers on the back. We **walk** down the hallways on Friday mornings, covered in blue and white, **committing** ourselves to our teams, our school, and our tradition.

We **support** Wildcats' sports teams at every event without fail. By **attending** every game, match, meet, and tournament, we have become the backbone of all We-Go sports teams. We are a united group of more than 800 We-Go students who **gather** in order to pump up athletes and the crowd. We cheer, **scream**, **chant**, and **shout** in order to show our pride and encouragement. "Before every game, The Squad **convenes** to prepare ourselves for the big game. We deck out from head to toe in blue and white, ready to **cheer** and **support** our fellow Wildcats to victory," said **Sara Kuffa (06)**.

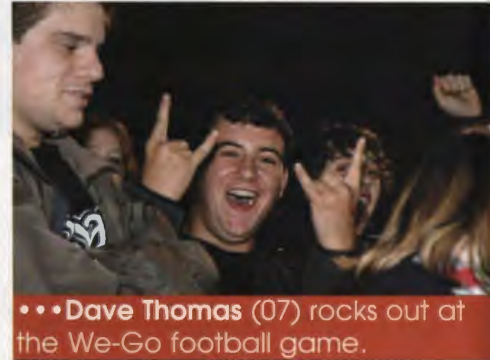
Many athletes attribute their success to the encouragement they receive at each sporting event from The Squad. "When I **hear** The Squad cheering in the distance, it makes me want to **push** that much harder. As a team we truly **feel** supported and encouraged because of our fan base, The Squad is always there," said Football Captain **Mitch Bridges (06)**.

In 2000 **Dennis Janek (01)** and **Jon Lim (02)** came up with the idea for The Squad with the goal of **making** a strong fan base for Wildcat athletes. **Janek, Lim**, and other Wildcats, **achieved** that goal, because now, five years later, The Squad still remains, stronger than ever.

-**Brittney Peters** and **Lesley Pfeifer**



...Sophomore **Tucker Hauptman's** covers his face with school colors.



...**Dave Thomas (07)** rocks out at the We-Go football game.



... **Tracy Opel (06)** and **Natalie Pacelli (08)** cuddle in the cold.



... **Chris Jelen (06)**, **Ryan Kuhlmann (07)** and **Kevin Grobe (06)** show spirit



... All decked out in blue and white, The Squad cheers on the football players at Friday night's game.

boost

scream

rouse

“The Squad is an **unstoppable** entity
that will be at any game- anywhere, anytime, **everytime**.
It is a **force**, idea, belief-
Together we form a living, breathing soul.
We are the Squad.”

-Nathan Oelslager (06)



... The Squad piles together for their game time cheer.



... The girls show their pride by attending the final football game against Wheaton Warrenville South.



... Tyler Dameron (06) holds on to Vince Peduzzi (06).



... Four fabulous Squad members dress in We-Go attire for the game against Naperville Central.



... Nothing will stop this crew from cheering on their Wildcats.



... Katrina Means (07) chants with The Squad to support the football players.

“S-Q-U-A-D.

Who? **Who?** Who are we?

The Squad. The Squad.

We **are** The Squad!”

-Squad cheer

pep.....**electrify**.....**chant**

Survey

Opinions Abound as Students Comment on Their Lives



... Kristin Grimm (07) and Leigh Taddeucci (07) socialize during passing period.

... What is your favorite catch phrase?

"Whatever floats your boat."

-Sara Lim (09)

"Yeah, you would say that, wouldn't you?"

-Eric Wiechert (06)



"I'm not gonna lie."

-Tiffany Lorenzi (07)



... Cristina Sarnelli (07) smiles as she does her homework in class.

... What is the worst homework assignment you ever received?

"I had to do a math packet during the summer."

-Angela Shurba (08)

"I had to write a four page paper on cheating."

-Travis Saville (06)



"I hated my Junior Research Paper; it was so long and boring."

-Tracy Opel (06)



... Mrs. Mallon concentrates as she prepares to teach her next math class.

... What is the funniest way a teacher has woken up a student in class?

"The teacher lifted the hand that was supporting a student's head, and he hit his head on the desk."

-Kristin Day (09)

"Mrs. Mallon sprayed a kid with water."

-Nick Kennedy (06)



"In Ms. Jones's class Jim Erickson (06) fell asleep and everyone walked off. When he woke up, he was alone."

-Sam Lawson (06)

ask

tally

voice

**"Walking through the hallway knowing
that everyone is a Wildcat on the inside,
is the best factor about being at CHS."
-Nick Horvath (07)**



**... What is the
best factor
about being a
Wildcat?**

"The pride that we
have in our school
and sports programs,
as well as
the Squad."
-Chris Prochnow (06)

"The diverse
community
and
amazing
teaching
staff."
-Bethany
Inch (06)



"Being in the Squad
at football and
basketball games just
feels great."
-Doug Sills (08)

**... What class
do you fall
asleep
in the most?**

"Economics
is just way too
boring for me
to listen to."
-Kevin Pavnica (07)

"Chemistry
because
molecules and
bonds don't
really
amuse me."
-Sam
Nolte (08)



"I come really close
in Human Anatomy
and
Physiology."
-Megan Stuhr (07)

**... What is your
favorite out of
context quote
from a teacher?**

"If you are
going to graffiti
the wall, at least
spell correctly."
-Ms. Santella

"I am so
excited
to have
something
furry in our
classroom."
-Ms. Jones



"I've spent all of my
life telling people
to take their
clothes off, now I'm telling
them to put some on."
-Dr. Murphy

count

vision

divulge

Participate

A Week of Celebration Reveals Magic in the Air

Winnie the Pooh... Buzz Lightyear... Cinderella... Sleeping Beauty... Dopey... they all **share** one trait; they're all characters from the 2005 Homecoming theme. As Disney **stepped** into the halls of Community High School, all classes **joined** together for the most spirit-filled week of the year. Starting with games held in Commons before classes and ending with the Homecoming Dance, everyone **joined** in the celebration.

On the Friday before Homecoming Week, the Pep Club held an assembly in the Bishop Gym. After the cheerleaders and poms made a roaring entrance and **displayed** a terrific performance, Pep Club Advisors **Mr. Jennings** and **Mr. LaRue** gave a speech about **transforming** from "Pep Boys" to "Pep Men" and **proposed** a "Scream-Off!" The freshmen and sophomores **faced** off against the juniors and seniors. Representing the juniors and seniors was **Principal Highland**, and when the lower class won, the student body **watched** in awe as **Mr. Arroyo** **shaved** **Mr. Highland's** companion of almost 30 years: his mustache. After all the excitement occurred, the time came to **introduce** Homecoming **King Travis Saville** (06) and **Queen Lauren Buscemi** (06).

The football game was full of **anxious fans**, **reminiscing** and catching up with old friends. During halftime, band members **entertained** the crowd with a Pirates of the Caribbean show, and the poms and cheerleaders **danced** to a mix of Disney songs. "It was exciting to be part of the halftime show for poms. I **enjoyed** seeing all the students, parents, and alumni **filled** in the stands for the game," said **Ashley Richards** (07).

Despite an unfortunate loss against Naperville Central with the score of 52-22, Homecoming Week 2005 ended in a smashing success.

-Marilyn Jacques and Cassie Kleczewski



... Homecoming Queen **Lauren Buscemi** (06) and King **Travis Saville** (06) wave during the parade.



... The 2005 Homecoming Court stands and receives applause from their fellow students.



... Junior class Student Council reenact a scene from *Beauty and the Beast*.



... Participants in the potato sack race jump in anticipation toward the finish line.



... The Senior boys throw **Nathan Oelslager** (06) into the air for the finale of their cheerleading performance.

create

paint

coronate



... Gina Mangialomini (06) attempts to block the pass thrown by Jorden Hall (07) during the powderpuff game.



... Seniors Sara Kuffa, Brittany Blanchard, and Tyler Dameron show their spirit at the pep assembly.



... Lauren Buscemi (06) shows her excitement as Mallory Sanzeri (06) crowns her Homecoming Queen.



... Students express their enthusiasm during the pep assembly which kicked off Homecoming week.

“From the dodgeball tournament to the pep rallies to the dance, this will be the **one** Homecoming week that is the most **influential** in the years to come. The excitement and **atmosphere** was one of a kind. ”
It was just a blast!

- Mrs. Maloney



... Mr. Arroyo makes the finishing touches on shaving Principal Highland's mustache.



... Mallory Sanzeri (06) and Megan Jones (06) escort "cheerleader" Joan Lowland into the pep assembly.



... Water drenches Carrie Staton (07) during a balloon toss.

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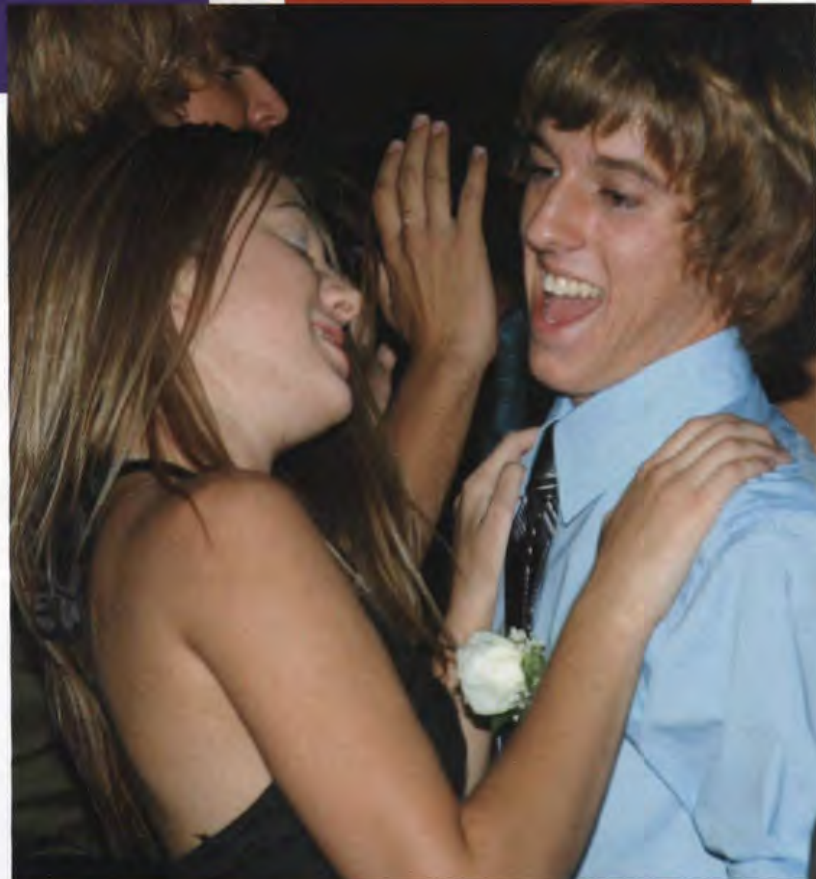
Gather

Wildcats Savor the Moment at Homecoming

There aren't enough words to describe the magical events that transpired in the Bishop Gym during Homecoming. For the culminating event of the week, students dressed up and styled their hair to enjoy the Homecoming Dance and bring an end to the festivities. With more than 900 attendees, the gym transformed into a Disney-themed environment with an array of music from Big and Rich to the Black Eyed Peas. One song the Wildcats most requested "Bohemian Rhapsody" by Queen. In fact, the D. J sent someone to the store to buy it, and then the celebration truly began. As the night progressed, dancing came to a halt for the Homecoming Court, led by King **Travis Saville** (06) and Queen **Lauren Buscemi** (06).

Like every special evening, the night had to end, and what better song to play than "Love Shack" by the B-52's to get "everybody groovin'" before they headed home. As the Wildcats strolled out of Bishop Gym, they wished that the night could continue. "The Homecoming dance was so amazing. I danced to every song. I'm happy that it turned out to be one of the best homecomings that I have gone to. I know that I am going to miss my friends when I go away to college, and I know I will hold onto this memory forever," said **Amanda Demes** (06).

- De Anne Fitzenreider and Kim Norman



... Jim Foreman (07) and his date have a laugh together during a slow song.



... Preston Hauptman (09), Joe Clark (09), and James Patrick Taylor (09) cool off outside Bishop Gym.

... Brittany Blanchard (06) and Julia Shallcross (07) take a moment to reflect on the night's events.



... Mrs. Maloney helps Andrew Oppermann (08) put his corsage on before the dance.

spin

bop

plan



... Katrina Means (07) shows off her moves on the dance floor.

“Going to the Homecoming Dance made me feel like **Cinderella** at the ball. Luckily, the evening did not end with my car turning into a pumpkin.”

-Kiara Wolfe (09)

... Alexandra Dennis (09) and her date take a break from dancing.

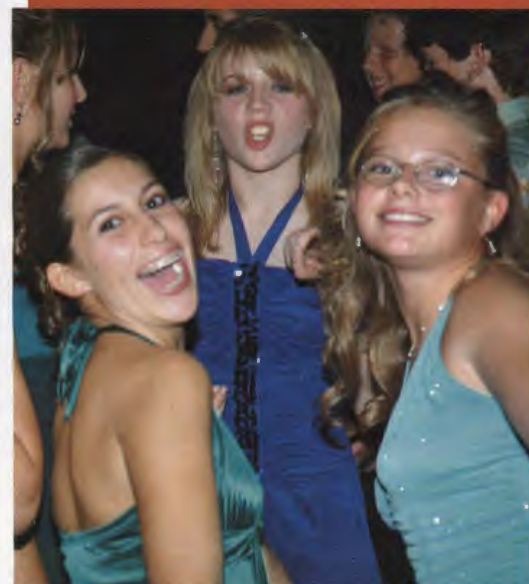


... Emma Townsend (07), Amy Smolucha (07), Paige Kulie (07), Stacey Sams (07), and Carissa Gerber (07) take a timeout from dancing to stand and chat with each other.



... Meghan Larson (06) and Ryan Foytik (06) dance the night away.

... Michelle Blackman (09), Kelly Farrell (09), and Jamie Roman (09) have a blast at Homecoming.



dip

enjoy

pose

E-mail

Students Lose Themselves In Communication

At the front of the classroom, a teacher drones on about the American Revolution. As the lecture comes to an end, the silence of the room is disturbed by the sounds of "Sweet Home Alabama." The class laughs as a red-faced student turns off the offending cell phone, and the teacher glares at the interruption.

Perhaps the previous interruption once would have happened only in a movie, but in today's world it happens daily. Cell phones, iPods, and other technologies have taken over minds at Community High School. Students spend endless time on the Internet speaking a lingo that isn't common to most teachers. Phrases like "LYLAS" (Love You Like A Sister) or "POS" (Parent Over Shoulder) are as common as students sporting headphones in the hallways. English teachers repeatedly tell their students that the word "you" can't be typed as "u." Although the use of cell phones is prohibited at school, students proceed to text their friends during class and sneak to the bathroom to make a quick call. According to school rules, the only exception to the use of a cell phone is for an emergency, yet it can be hard to define what an emergency is. Lately, students' newest best friend has become the iPod. Despite the cost of an iPod, students take the risk of possibly having it stolen. The three most stolen items at school include the cell phone, the calculator and the iPod, but nothing can stop students from having these technological contraptions by their side. The amount of technology has increased greatly, but it has had a positive effect. According to **Officer Theodore**, "All the new technologies have helped students at Community High School greatly. The computers help students with schoolwork and are a good source to get information easier. The cell phones even benefit the parents because they are able to keep track of the kids easier."

-Mary Hesterman and Daisy Sallis

How many songs are downloaded on your iPod?

"5,000 songs"
Ryan Burlison
(06)



"446 songs."
-Kim Norman (06)



"I caught one of my students using his cell phone so I took it and made a long distance phone call to my dad."
-Ms. Daneels

What do you do when a student's cell phone goes off in class?

"I take the phone away for the rest of the day after the first warning."
-Mr. Lasky

"750 songs"
Dan Dennis (06)



"587 songs"
Amanda Conrad
(07)

"Usually I answer the phone and talk to the person who calls. Sometimes I make long distance calls to my sister in Arizona to see how she's doing."
-Mrs. Laimins

.....text.....call.....ring.....

What ringtone do you have downloaded on your cell phone?

"Yeah" by Usher
-Rahul Modi (06)



"Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Theme Song" -Merrick Doll (07)



...Kelsey Lesniak (06) enjoys her music as she talks to a friend.

"Hands-Down" by Dashboard Confessionals
-Leah Freund (07)



"Sesame Street Theme Song"
-Jenny Linsenmeyer (06)

What do you think "LYLAS" means?

"Is it someone's name?"
-Mrs. Stieglitz

"Like, You Look All Silly"
-Mr. French

"Love Ya Lots..."
-Mrs. Mallon

"Lillies...Flowers..."
-Mr. Gimre



Carly Demitropoulos (06) and Jon Kammes (06) post a message on blackboard.com during government.



Justine Eger (06) and Kayla Kramer (06)



Owen Kerschner (07)

hide.....listen.....annoy.....

Master

Seniors Lead the Way with Talent and Hard Work

It seems like just yesterday when the Class of 2006 strolled into Entrance A as freshmen. Now, with commencement behind us, we remember our final year at Community High School and cherish the road taken. Together we have experienced tragedy, competition, success, celebration, and camaraderie. Through the good and the bad, the Senior Class remained united, and we are now prepared to take on the future.

Not only did seniors face the obstacles high school presented, but they also dealt with the tragic reality of terrorism. Unfortunately, the war in Iraq directly affected many seniors, some experiencing loved ones going off to war and some taking matters into their own hands by enlisting.

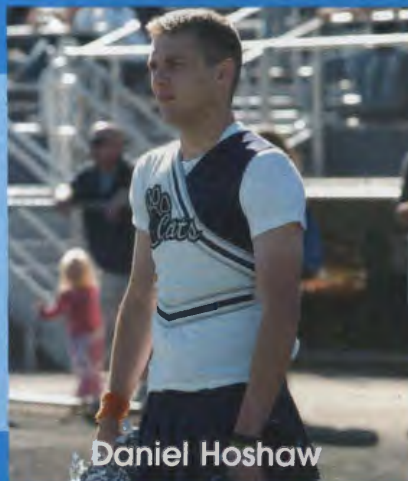
Let us not forget the academic obstacles we have overcome. From freshman finals to Drivers Ed to the Junior Research Paper and the ACT's, seniors remained successful.

Homecoming, Pep Assemblies, Prom and Graduation are the events that made our efforts worthwhile. These are the times that we looked forward to, the times that went by so fast and the times we wish to savor forever. Celebrating these occasions brought our class together and has left us with eternal memories.

More importantly are the everlasting friendships that will never falter. The companionships we have created throughout the past four years have made us who we are today and who we will become tomorrow.

Congratulations seniors, we did it

-**Marilyn Jacques** and **Lesley Pfeifer**



Daniel Hoshaw



Fiona Demiri

class of

.....chatter.....respect.....lead.....

2006



Amy Ackerman



Andres Acosta



Kevin Adams



Anisoara Aguilar



Madiha Akqil



Alonzo Alfaro



Gildardo Allende



Taylor Alperin



David Amos



Guadalupe Arellano



Crystal Arias



Blair Arlington



Brandi Arwood



Amy Axelrod



Adriana Ballines



Quin Barclay



Joel Barker



Jennafer Bedard

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Dustin Hedmark



Claire Beeks



Steven Benson



Amber Bergmann



Veronica Beth



Katie Birkey



Carolyn Blackman



Brittany Blanchard



Charles Blanchard



Kenzie Volpe and



Ignacio Correa



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Andrea Bradley



Raymond Braunshausen



Alexandra Breinig



Shannon Fleming



Brian Brewster



John Britton



Daniel Brogan



Eric Brown



Heather Brugoto

...understand.....wait.....choose.....



Sarah Brugoto



James Burke



Ryan Burlison



Lauren Buscemi



Claudia Cabral



Mark Halberg



Eliza Hamilton



Noel Cabral



Jessica Cabrera



Ricardo Cardoza



Jorge Carlos



Janeth Carrasco



Kenneth Castan



Yesenia Castillo



Martin Castro



Mitch Bridges



Laura Conard



Kristen Consolo



Guadalupe Correa



Ignacio Correa



Jose Victor Correa



Priscila Correa



April Crawford



Jessica Crawford



Jorge Cruz



Maria Cuevas



Amanda Bass

.....regret.....visit.....wish.....



Gina Mangialomini



Miles Lincoln



Jackie Boyd



Naila Damani



Tyler Dameron



Thomas DeLegge



Michelle DelValle



Amanda Demes



Fiona Demiri



Carly Demitropoulos



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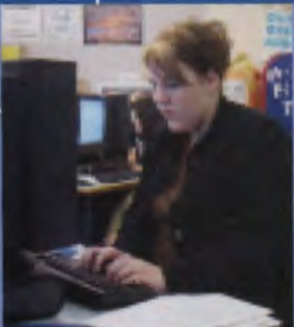


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Kadi Flagg

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Laura Gray



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Kayla Kramer and Justine Egert



Shannon Fleming



Paul Flores



Abigarely Fong



Victor E. Wildcat and Amy Ackerman



Carol Fortman



Brandi Foxx



Ryan Foytik



Kyle Frank



Diana Galvan



Gema Garcia



Matt Westrom



Guillermo Garcia



Jesus Garcia



Rocio Garcia



Yuretz Garcia



Katie Gargula



Patrick Geissman

.....determine.....neglect.....overact.....



Brittany Blanchard
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Steven Glinka



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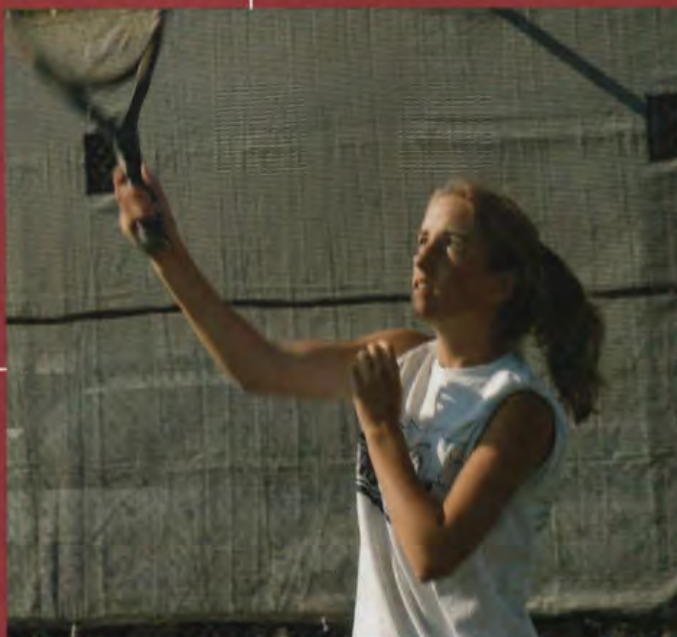
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Mary Hesterman



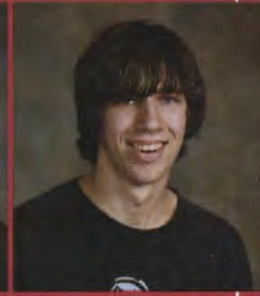
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Monika Kalicka



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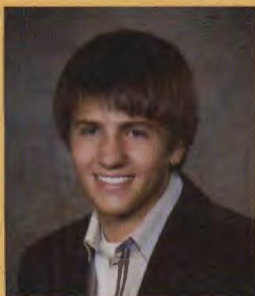
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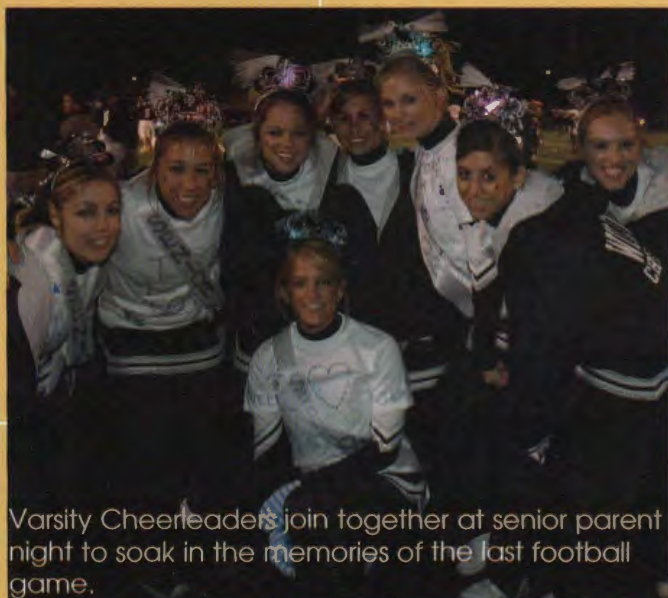
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Varsity Cheerleaders join together at senior parent
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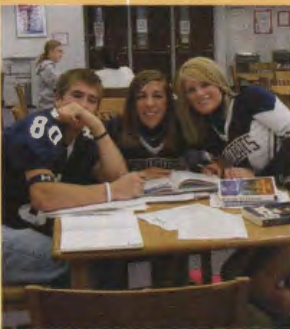


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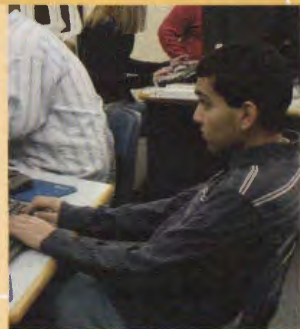
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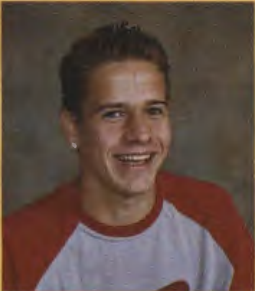
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Jacqueline Lopez



Joseph Malandrucolo



Gina Mangialomini



Julio Mansera



Erick Mariano



Andrew Marshall



Natalie Martin



Roel Martinez



Patricia Marvin



Kelly Mateas



Anthony McDaniel



Jordan Meissner



Ricardo Mendez



Adrienne Mertes



Steven Migliorato



Jacob Miller



Rahul Modi



Terri Molo



Haleigh Moreno

.....specialize.....doubt.....leave.....



Enrique Guijosa



Victoria
Mounghounsavath



Maria Munoz



Sonia Munoz



Shannon Myers



Amanda Neal



Jessica Neihoff



Marisa Nichols



Nicholas Nolte



Kimberly Norman



Nathan Oelslager



Carolyn Blackman



Deyanira Olascoaga



Tracy Opel



Cesar Ortiz



Cristian Ortiz



Nancy Ortiz



Mallorie Ott



Lourdes Padilla



Naiya Panchal



Angelina Panozzo



Danielle Pappas



Jon Kammes



Naman Patel



Nishant Patel



Amanda Paul



Jessica Pedraza



Vince Peduzzi

interrupt.....yawn.....lounge.....



Tracy Opel, Eric Lindner, Danielle Romano, Mary Hesterman



Martha Perez



Brittney Peters



Jose Villa and Amy Ackerman



Vincent Petronzio



Mickey Petrusaitis



Lesley Pfeifer



Dianna Photopulos



Ryan Pinto



Timothy Polacek



Lawrence Pope



Tyler Dameron and Jordan Meissner



Ashley Portretow



Christopher Prochnow



Whitney Pugh



Eileen Reedy



Angelica Reyes



Paul Reyes



Katherine Roberts



Dennis Rocha



Matthew Rohn



Kyle Rohrdanz



Dan Brogan

.....summon.....shore.....exceed.....



Jessica Cabrera



Phil Lam



Sam Lawson



Danielle Romano



Brittany Rose



Amanda Rousar



Kathia Rubio



Brian Russell



Natalie Russo



Bethany Inch



Victoria Sagen



Danielle Salazar



Victor Salazar



Ana Saldana



Shantal Sanchez



Lauren Santelli



Mallory Sanzeri



Travis Saville



Erick Mariano, Jose Salinas, Daisy Trujillo



Ashley Schadeberg



Jamie Schmidt



Alexander Schneider



Nicholas Schultz

.....decide.....indicate.....separate.....



Bobby Doremus



Purvi Parikh



David Kelsey



Danielle Shaw



Daniel Shelhamer



Jim Siekmann



Kevin Sierocuk



Erin Silk



Andrew Singer



Dana Smith



Joanna Smith



Kevin Smith



Jennifer Soto



Jose Soto



Juan Soto



Eric Steere



Laura Steere



Thomas Stenslik



Elena Suarez



Adam Tawney



Catherine Taylor



David Taylor



Aditi Thakkar



Eric Thomas



Marco Torres



Jessica Trevino



Kate Trush

.....dismiss.....daydream.....exemplify....



Kevin Grobe



Ashley Tucker



Michael Tunk



Nickolas Tynczuk



Ashley Vargas-McAssey



Jared Vasiliauskas



Miguel Vasquez



Johana Vazquez



Mayra Vazquez



Ivan Vega



Odilon Vicens



Jose Villa



Kellie Virnich



Daniel Visser



George Visser



Steven Vlasvich



Lora Vodicka



Sarah Volk



Brittany Vollmuth



Mackenzie Volpe



Robert Vondrash



Jason Walz



Tyler Watson



Dustin Westrom



Matthew Westrom



Lindsey Wheeland



David Taylor



Mallory Sanzeri and
Megan Jones



Eric Wiechert



Jennifer Wojcicki



Thomas Wood



John Yednock



Brian Youngberg



Shay Gorfowski



Julie Youngwith



Laura Conard



Nancy Ortiz

.....grow.....doze.....perfect.....

100 Things To Do Before Graduation

.....play water polo.....read a book.....do community service.....rush the basketball court.....make it to the top of the climbing wall.....smile.....get involved.....understand football.....take pictures....."You need to get chased down by **Larry** in his golfcart, in full cameo, for high school to be complete." -**Jessica Crawford**ditch class.....procrastinate.....apply to college.....go to **Edie** for a tardy pass.....stick gum under a desk..... go to the playoffs for football.....kick the vending machine.....serve a Saturday school.....TP....."Put everything you have into something that is truly worthwhile to you." -**Carol Fortman**enter school with someone else's ID.....make mistakes.....beg for a ride to Kerr McGee in the cold.....have a teacher call home....listen to one of **Dr. Murphy's** 20 minute tangents....learn another language....pee your pants....face a challenge.....go to the dean....."Visit **Mr. Martino**, every single day, because you want to." -**Gina Mangialomini**.....march

ropes course in gym....be on bagels for making a chased down the hall by crush to a dance.....make a**"Be pleased with what** stead of being upset **Mr. Walters**.....come to school for a senior locker.....hide bathroom stall.....go to Steak in the morning.....ride denied" notice....**"Just roll set** off the fire alarm in classman, "are you lost?"beg your counselorlaugh at **Mr. Kling** pression in English**"My tor, and I did it!" -Jim Erickson** spirit...go on a road trip....do possible to become P.E. signature.....direct a freshhave your picture on a using your cell phone by ..sleep in the nurses' office pay money to see your key suit.....watch French cause the future is so bright I **Earhart**.....put a smile **Santella** that you're sick of ever...embarrass **Mr. Lasky**



Senior Girls' Powder Puff team.



Tracy Opel



Alex Breinig



The Class of 2006 TP's the school.



Brittany Blanchard and Tyler Dameron



Lora Vodicka

with the band.....do the high stage.....give blood.....earn deadline.....fake sick.....get **Jimmy Siekmann**..... ask your difference.....do homework you have accomplished in- about what you have not." at two o'clock in the morning from **Mrs. Rubino** in a n' Shake at three o'clock the bus.....see the "access with it." -**Dustin Westrom**..... chemistry.....ask an under- when in Senior Hall to let you drop a class..... doing a Louis Armstrong im- goal was to ride in the elevashow lots of school anything and everything exempt.....forge your parents' man to the "fourth floor" reading poster.....get caught one of the security guards... when you're feeling "sick"..... favorite teacher wear a tur- plays.....**"Buy sunglasses be- gotta wear shades."** -**Sara** on someone's face.....tell **Ms.** her...pull the best senior prank ..do your own laundry

...cry...go to Steak n'Shake after a game...flatulate in class...watch **Mr. Arroyo** shave off **Mr. Highland's** mustache...watch **Dan Brogan** eat....make memories that last a lifetime...have your cell phone go off in class...receive a "blue pass"...have **Eric Wiechert** ruin the end of a movie...sing for no homework...fall down the stairs...order pizza at lunch and finish eating in Calculus...participate in Government simulations...appear on We-Go Through the Tube...laugh so hard you cry..."Get the worst waitress at "Wings" every Tuesday and know that she isn't getting a tip." -**Kevin Grobe** ...annoy a substitute ...run from a teacher...meet your best friend...discover a mouse in your locker...make your parents proud...get a drivers license...experience your first "love"...learn from your mistakes...run through the halls screaming...walk around the halls without a pass..."Have the time of your life." -**Jamie Schmidt**...maek an egregious speling error...work hard..."Snooze behind your book during reading hour." -**Victor Salazar**...qualify for state...have fun

....outsmart....complain....accomplish....

Personalize.

Four Seniors Embody Best of the Class of 2006

Not only has senior **Paul Reyes** been on the varsity soccer team for four years now, but he can juggle a soccer ball 3,675 times before it hits the ground even once. How talented is that? Seventeen year-old **Paul** has been playing soccer all his life, and he has played on the varsity soccer team all four years of high school. **Paul** achieved all conference in soccer for two years in a row and made all sectional his senior year. He said he will never forget beating Naperville Central and earning the conference champion title his junior year. **Paul** looks to his coach for inspiration. "I look up to **Brugman** because he is the one person who I can go to for advice and I know he will set me in the right path," said **Paul**.

Along with soccer, **Paul** dedicates much of his time to his studies. "**Paul** is one of those students that when he walks into the classroom he is ready to learn. Being a teacher, you see that in certain students and know that that kid is dedicated to what he does," said **Mrs. Kilgallen** of **Paul's** study habits. **Paul Reyes** is smart, talented and dedicated; he is the epitome of a Wildcat.

-De Anne Fitzenreider

Maria Cuevas, a 17-year-old senior, loves to be involved in anything that she knows will benefit others. As Co-Leader of Peer Helpers, she helped freshmen become acclimated to the high school. **Maria** is also a member of the Gus Foundation, which is established to raise money for research and special needs for children at Children's Memorial Hospital.

Throughout high school, **Maria** has been able to keep impressive grades even with difficult class loads. Being very interested in the sciences, **Maria** decided to push herself by taking AP courses. **Ms. Santella**, **Maria's** English teacher, will always remember **Maria's** unique character. "**Maria** is an exceptional student and individual. With her committed work ethic and a positive personality, she is a role model for her peers and a person who certainly will succeed. She truly represents the class of 2006."

-Jenna Bedard

Now... Introducing one of Community High School's finest athletes.... Senior **Jose Villal** Since **Jose** was young, the only thing he has wanted to do is play soccer. He made the varsity team freshman year and has been team captain for 3 years. "**Jose** is an amazing leader and helps push each and every individual to be better," said teammate **Victor Salazar** (06). Receiving All Conference, All Sectional, and winning conference undefeated, **Jose** had a very successful junior year. To follow, he received All State, All Midwest, and All Conference again senior year.

In addition to his soccer talents, **Jose** also kept a strong GPA and earned Academic All Conference every year. **Jose** is always representing We-Go in a positive light. He participated in the dodgeball tournament and was nominated for Homecoming Court. Dedication to both

soccer and his grades has made **Jose** such a unique student and athlete. "I want to be remembered as a good role model for the younger players. Most of them only worry about soccer and forget about grades, when that is just as important. They need to learn to balance their time," said **Jose**.

-Alicia Leonhardt



Angelina Panozzo has been singing through the halls of Community High School since freshman year. Whether she is singing or acting, she found her true passion in performing. She said, "There is nothing better than the energy of an audience. It's just so amazing. It's what keeps me going." With inspiration from Ella Fitzgerald, a prestigious jazz singer, **Angie** worked hard to excel in her performing career. It all paid off last summer when she won best supporting actress at the Warrenville Community Theatre.

Angie's talents shine in the community as well. She is the director for two children's choirs at her church, and serves as section leader of the adult choir. When she's not performing, **Angie** enjoys watching "Breakfast at Tiffany's" and reading American Literature. She also enjoys writing poetry and her favorite music of course to listen to is Broadway. Watch out West Chicago, **Angie Panozzo** is unstoppable.

-Kadi Flagg

.....boast.....narrate.....symbolize.....

Focus

Juniors Balance Realities of Prairie State and Prom

Starting with Homecoming preparations and early morning Powder Puff practices, all 521 juniors remained on top of their game. With "Beauty and the Beast" as their chosen theme, the float brought a first place victory to the Junior class. Class President **Katrina Means** said, "I love having the power to decide what our plans are for the events of Homecoming."

Juniors gained another victory over the seniors at the Powder Puff game. "Finally being able to play in the Powder Puff game gave me a feeling of seniority over the underclassmen who couldn't participate in a game that everyone seemed to be watching," said **Samantha Holguin**.

Like seniors, juniors have the experience that allows them to advise the Freshman and Sophomore classes. Pressure is placed on the shoulders of the juniors, especially for those athletes that participate on the varsity level. These players represent our school at the Friday night games and demonstrate the good sportsmanship and team effort.

"The most difficult part of junior year would be the pressure of having to start seriously thinking about college," said **Holly Hofer**. Being an upperclassman isn't always fun and games. It's a year filled with college preparations struggling over raising GPA's, but it is an important stepping stone to the future.

- **Stephanie Gore** and **Stephanie Hish**



Keri Mederich

class
of
2007

.....test.....assess.....unify.....



Rafael Acosta
David Adamson
Nicholas Addante
Gina Adduci
Jovanna Aguilera
Jose Alanis
Mario Alcantar



Jorge Alejo
Ivan Alfaro
Ricardo Alfaro
Rosi Altamirano
Daniel Amos
Courtney Antczak
Adrianna Antis



Jairo Arellano
James Arndt
Rachel Auchincloss
Christina Baaske
Josefina Ballines
Yesenia Ballines
William Baron



Cinthia Barrera
Jenny Barrios
Michael Bednar
Julio Benitez
Raymond Benner
Lee Bennett
Jeremy Bentham



Jeffrey Bicek
Thadius Bieniek
Aaron Bobik
Jenna Bodie
Anjelica Borjon
Jayro Botello
Pablo Botello



Harmony Bouma
Christina Briggs
George Brouwer
Joshua Brown
Shannon Brown
Raquel Brummel
Matthew Bryant



Carlos Bucio
Jose Bueno
Ralph Calleros
Yailyn Calzada
Roberto Camacho
Anne Caputo
Janette Carlos



Kevin Carrington
Brittany Casey
Anabel Castro
Keith Christiansen
Melissa Chromek
Michael Cirelli
Matthew Claude

.....apply.....stress.....juggle.....

Nicole Coconato
Amanda Coix
Kenneth Cole
Brian Collier
Amanda Conrad
Ashley Conway
Ybone Coronel



Alejandra Correa
Benjamin Correa
Chris Correa
Sofia Correa
Elizabeth Cruz
Bryan Dahl
Corinne Damsch



Jeffrey Danes
Elisabeth Daniels
Tabitha Dawson
Michael Deimling
Rosalinda Delgado
Matthew Denniger
Nicholas Denson



Justin Depaz
Kevin Deutsch
Alyssa Diggs
Brent Dillingham
John Dimas
Michelle Dimas
Merrick Doll



Andrew Doncoes
Zachary Dopper
Robert Duffy
Augustin Duran
Giovanni Duran
Alexandra Duriavich
Lauren Dylla



Brenda Euriolles
Valeria Farfan
Joseph Farmer
Scott Fennema
Jessica Fernandez
Miguel Fernandez
Elaine Ferrer



Stephanie Fester
Douglas Fick
Janelle Fischer
Mary Pat Flanagan
Angela Flores
David Flores
Lucia Flores



Olegario Flores
Edward Ford
James Foreman
Ellyn Fortino
Joseph Fortman
Jose Franco
Leah Freund



...tolerate.....acknowledge....empathiz



Michael Frommert
Kurt Fuchs
Matthew Fugate
Ryan Gagnier
Ricardo Galindo
Dulce Galvan
Efren Garcia



Gabriela Garcia
Ivonne Garcia
Jonatan Garcia
Jose Garcia
Juliana Garcia
Anthony Garrett
Jason Garrett



Christopher Gates
Carissa Gerber
Monica Gilbert
Frank Giliberto
Jonathan Glenn
Raquel Gonzalez
Wilfredo Gonzalez



Thomas Goodwin
Stephanie Gore
Bradley Grant
Jennifer Green
Kristin Grimm
Aleksey Grinash
Scott Grotto



Angelica Guerrero
Ricardo Guerrero
Pamela Guevara
Leo Guili
Brittany Guillen
Alfredo Guzman
Lindsey Haines



Jorden Hall
Patrick Hanrahan
Sarah Harkey
Rachael Hasse
Samantha Healy
Rachel Hellman
Matthew Henke



Rachelle Henning
Brittany Herdman
Elizabeth Hernandez
Javier Hernandez
Lourdes Herrera
Jason Hibben
Ashley Hickman



Stephanie Hish
Bradley Hock
Holly Hofer
Samantha Holguin
Sarah Holt
Nicholas Horvath
Michael Howe

.....compute.....talk.....think.....

Oscar Huerta
 Angelica Hughes
 Daniel Hur
 Jesus Ibarra
 Norina Infusino
 Garrett Jackowiec
 Kevin Jezior



Cameron Jimmo
 Aaron Johnson
 Christian Juarez
 David Karbach
 Charles Keck
 Carl Kerschner
 Owen Kerschner



Charles Kim
 Timothy Kirincir
 Tiffany Kirschke
 Kenneth Klein
 Michael Klein
 Brandon Klekamp
 Kristin Klouda



Shane Koehring
 Travis Koehring
 Anjelica Koelsch
 Pete Konchar
 Jennifer Konewko
 Alana Koontz
 Lindsay Krage



Kathryn Krecek
 Caitlin Krengel
 Ryan Kuhlmann
 Paige Kulie
 Leah Kuzmicz
 Douglas Larson
 Ashley Leahy



Michael Lecroy
 Jessica Leeseberg
 Teri Leindecker
 Rebecca Lemon
 Alex Lesus
 Scott Lichtfuss
 Veronica Limbrick



Jamilla Lloyd
 Oscar Lopez
 Tiffany Lorenzi
 David Luka
 Jessica Luna
 Maria Luna
 Mayra Macias



Erik Mackintos
 Misha Mahadevia
 Joseph Majchrowski
 Jamon Malan
 Gabriela Mancera
 Kyle Marcum
 Miguel Marino



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Nickellina Marter
Jesus Martinez
Nancy Martinez
Patricia Martinez
Samuel Martinez
Sean Mathias
Natalie Mazzola



James Mazzone
Laurin McCaffrey
Anthony McCurdy
David McEvoy
Mark McKenney
Ian McKoy
Kathryn McLeland



Katrina Means
Keri Mederich
Matthew Melone
Rebeca Mendez
Ricardo Mendez
Susana Mendoza
Victor Mendoza



Verenice Merino
Kevin Michaelson
Brittany Michnick
Mathew Miller
Alexandra Molina
Taylor Molitor
Kelsey Monroe



Samantha Monroe
Ronald Mozalewski
Rebecca Mueller
Marisa Mulcahy
David Munoz
Ismael Munoz
Mariana Munoz



Caitlin Murphy
Jacob Murphy
Paul Murphy
David Myszkowski
Nicole Nasir
Christian Negron
Bretta Nelson



Ryan Nesemeier
Hong Nguyen
Phi-Vu Nguyen
Ryan Nichol
Mary Nichols
Arlette Nieto
Michael Nonnie



Kathleen Norton
Ashley Nottingham
David Nunez
Miranel Obdin
Christopher O'Connor
Andrew Oglanian
Jose Olague

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Moises Olague
Melissa Olsen
Adam Olson
Juan Orozco
Jonathan Ortega
Rosemary Ortega
Jose Ortiz



Ana Orzuna
Jorge Padilla
Miriam Padilla
Jonathan Palka
Nicole Parisi
Juan Pasindo
Kevin Pavnica



Pamela Pedraza
James Pelej
Luis Pena
Aaron Pennington
Dianna Perez
Guillermo Perez
Jesus Perez



Jose Perez
Jose Perez
Luis Perez
Jessica Porcayo
Catalina Proa
Rigoberto Proa
Nick Puetz



Whitney Pugh
William Pusateri
Rachael Quillen
Sean Quinn
Jaxiri Quiroz
Alejandro Ramirez
Juan Ramirez



Bradley Rathe
Jori Rawski
Kimberly Redden
Nicole Reed
Ryan Reser
William Riban
Ashley Richards



Alexander Rico
Kylie Riermaier
Isabel Rincon
Daniel Rizzo
Candice Rodriguez
Katharine Rohrback
Steven Rolseth



James Roman
Allison Romanelli
Griselda Romero
Daniel Rooney
Maria Rosales
Annie Rosas
Kevin Rosenquist



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Sean Rubin
Brianna Rueschaw
Jerry Ruffino
Asusena Ruiz
Elizabeth Ruiz
David Rundell
Eric Rylowicz



Allison Rysell
Maria Salazar
Marisol Salgado
Armando Salinas
Daisy Sallis
Stacey Sams
Francisco Sanchez



Leiri Sanchez
Tonya Sanmiguel
Cristina Sarnelli
Torrey Sauter
Christopher Savaglio
Sarah Scardamaglia
Kaitlin Schaefer



Kristin Schaefer
Alex Schar
Jessica Schmidt
Jamie Schroeder
Ryan Schultz
Jeremy Schwinn
Alexis Scott



Samantha Seibel
Christopher Sekema
Juana Serrato
Julia Shallcross
Melissa Sheldon
Abigail Sherby
Jonathan Sherman



Kevin Sinclair
Daniel Sinetos
Steven Skrzypczynski
Donald Smith
Amy Smolucha
Jennifer Smothers
Diana Solis



Erik Sorgatz
Michael Sorgatz
Deborah Sosnowski
Derek Soutar
Augusto Souza
Bianca Speer
Scott Staiton



Carrie Staton
Natalie Steward
Alexandra Stilin
Jonathan Stob
Heather Stoeberl
Elizabeth Stout
Maggie Stremel

.....envy.....benefit.....slouch.....

Megan Stuhr
Brenden Sullivan
Nathan Sullivan
Suzanne Szafranski
Leigh Taddeucci
Benjamin Tancil
Kaitlin Taylor



Karen Taylor
Ryan Taylor
Joseph Tedeschi
Christopher Terrel
Audrey Thar
David Thomas
Kelly Tinnes



Dana Todd
Matthew Tomassoni
Emma Townsend
Daniel Trainor
Dianne Trush
Christine Valaski
Jose Valdez



Jacob Vanderlei
Michael Vangarsse
Benjamin Vargas
Michael Vargas
Matthew Ventresca
Azucena Vigil
Gustavo Villegas



Marisol Vivaldo
Jamie Voelz
Andrew Voss
John Wagner
Robyn Waldschmidt
Kimberly Wanous
Brian Ward



Benjamin Warren
Daniel Weiberg
Joshua Weinmann
Brandon Wheatley
Peter Wierenga
Christine Williams
Ashley Wilson



Geoffrey Wilson
Lindsay Wilson
Matt Wold
Joshua Wonsowski
Katie Wood
Sara Worel
Allyson Wucka



Eric Wyman
Gerik Wysocki
Alex Zago



.....detect.....classify.....consider.....

100 Rights We Have Now That We're Upperclassmen

...driving...taking the ACTs...stressing over being accepted into our college of choice...sitting closer to the basketball court at games...receiving more respect from teachers...writing the junior research paper...having the freshmen and sophomores look up to us...participating in the powderpuff football game...knowing we are almost done with high school...using better excuses...worrying about junior year determining the rest of our lives...getting away with more...watching our friends play in Friday night football games...loitering in the halls after the two minute bell...showing more school spirit...playing a varsity sport...choosing the classes that interest us...having more freedom...participating in more school events...ditching class...struggling to bring up our GPA...attending prom...taking psychology class...stealing senior parking spots...taking AP classes...using SparkNotes...procrastinating instead of over-achieving...walking to Kerr McGee...annoying our counselors until we have 10th hour at college...taking human going out to breakfast before of the cafeteria...walking into an awesome excuse...sleeping...playing dodgeball in gym exempt...taking the ACT prep receiving parking tickets for not "game time" cheer before games...showing up on We-Go snow day...answering our cell the freshmen...being pushed to **Walters**...creating segments for being nominated to do the **Larry's** whistle...walking through we are one step closer to ruling ingful Squad name...becoming play...creating special bonds offers for college scholarships electives...becoming better students...participating in ting the underclassmen...taking hanging out at Steak n' Shake a scrapbook of high school college...being on prom seniors...leaving the backpack future...being a student in Commons...having a later lunch...storing a captain's chair school...being a peer helper... parents...attending 'R' rated classes...writing for the school newspaper...taking consumer education...recognizing substitute teachers ...being a yearbook editor...applying for a job...taking care of an electronic baby...doing more homework ...taking the Praire State Exams...signing up for Contemporary Life...arriving at school in a car instead of the bus...earning a varsity letter...arriving at school by 6:55 for zero hour gym class...feeling comfortable that we can walk through the halls without a map...realizing that finals are just a test and we don't need to stress...receiving late arrival and being able to sleep in...painting our stomachs with school colors at the Homecoming football game...watching science videos in **Mrs. Rubino's** Physics class...taking AP exams the morning after prom weekend...going off campus for lunch...knowing that **Mr. Highland** is our Principal...walking past the bus lane to our cars...parking in the Geneva Street lot...treasuring junior year because our high school experience is almost over...



American History class



Carissa Gerber



Kim Redden



Powderpuff



Squad members



Matt Miller

off campus...visiting friends anatomy with **Dr. Murphy**... finals...eating lunch in the back class five minutes late with an during a lecture...working class...having the option of P.E class on Tuesday nights... having a sticker...chanting the basketball and football Through the Tube...planning a phones in class...towering over muscle fatigue by **Coach** We-Go Through the Tube... announcements...ignoring Senior Hall, maybe...knowing the school...having a mean-serious about the sports we with teachers...receiving ...having a wider variety of known by We-Go's staff and Midnight Madness...intimida-float building seriously... after football games...making memories...imagining going to court...hanging out with at home...worrying about the assistant...spending our off hour curfew...going off campus for in our locker for before receiving more trust from our movies...taking less core

.....shape.....cram.....FulFill.....

Interact

Students Navigate Through Topics and Drivers' ED

They say "The second time's a charm," and being a sophomore proves that statement true. Without all the fears and wonders of getting lost in a new and scary building twice and even triple the sizes of our old middle schools, there are no more worries of being picked on by upperclassmen. This is the year of not having to question who we will meet and with whom we will spend our time. "Sophomore year is a lot better because you're not a freshman anymore and people treat you differently. You start to find who your true friends are this year and who will be there for you in the end," said **Rachel Chronowski**.

Sophomore year holds the key to already knowing who we are and what we want to accomplish in the next three years. We set goals and know the hard work we will have to put out to make it a successful year. "The Class of '08 is amazing, spontaneous, and fun with a side of intelligence and hard work. We know how to work it," said **Justin Kutilek**. This group of enthusiastic students have put together numerous fundraisers to help contribute and better their school. They have run concessions, sold "Crush Cans" on Valentine's Day, and organized care packages for students during finals.

Sophomore year may not sound like the most exciting year of high school, but it only comes once and we definitely made it a year that will never leave our hearts. With squad shirts on and finally arriving in cars for the first time in the school parking lot, the 548 students smoothly cruised through their Sophomore year with exciting and special memories that will last them for the rest of their lives.

-Kadi Flagg and Alicia Leonhardt



Justin Bjornson and Mauricio Perez

class of 2008

....discuss.....drive.....opine....



Jonathan Abernethy
Jose Aca
Andrea Addante
Lupita Aguilar
Madeline Albright
Girelle Alcocer
Jonathan Alvarado



Jeannette Alvez
Matthew Andracki
Janet Anicua
Gianfranco Aniello
Eva Antonio
Kevin Antonio
Jenni Aramburu



Christine Arndt
Samantha Arnold
Jeannette Avila
Colin Bachelor
Brian Baker
Stephen Baker
Eduardo Ballines



Mariana Barajas
Mario Barajas
Benjamin Barclay
Johnny Barrera
Teresa Barrera
Ulises Barrera
David Barrientos



Joshua Becker
Nicholas Beideman
Diana Bejar
Kyra Benson
Justin Benter
Wayne Beth
Justin Bjornson



Lindsay Black
Guillermo Blanco
Shayne Bloom
Matthew Bolen
Matthew Boltz
Daisy Borjon
Mitchell Boyd



James Boyer
Mason Brandstedter
Patrick Brooker
Kevin Brown
Morgan Brown
Melissa Bruington
Abraham Buado



Elizabeth Buenrostro
Nicholas Bulleri
Timothy Bullock
Heather Busch
Amy Bytof
Joseph Caballero
Eric Cabral

.....ponder.....empower.....seek.....

Stephanie Calvillo
Karla Cardoza
Megan Carnes
Matthew Carnot
Erika Carrasco
America Carrillo
Elizabeth Castillo



Isaac Castro
Isair Castro
Bernabe Ceja
Lynsie Ceszyk
Kelsey Chillemi
Marisa Choate
Rachel Chronowski



Belen Cielo
Gerardo Cielo
Matthew Cissik
Natalie Ckuj
Amanda Clark
Amanda Clodfelter
Bonnie Coats



Kimberly Collier
Jessica Compean
Arthur Correa
Cesar Correa
Fatima Correa
Jose Correa
Marlete Correa



Sabrina Corriero
Edgar Cortes
Julio Cortez
Aaron Cracraft
Miguel Crisostomo
Alex Crivolio
Diego Cruz



Ashley Czerwinski
Cameron Daboll
Michael Dalton
Giovanni Davero
Samantha Deaton
Sean Defelice
Chad Demas



Qamil Demiri
Gary Dempster
Lauren Desik
Linnea Detrick
Danny Diaz
Daniel Ditella
Brent Dittmann



Maxwell Dodd
Eric Domingo
Jamie Dorsey
Kelle Driscoll
Marta Drozdova
Brendan Dyrda
Joanne Erickson



.....socialize.....comprehend.....dawdle



Misael Escalante
Maritza Escarcega
Marisela Espinal
Brandon Farber
Marco Farfan
Sam Fatigato
Marybeth Fernandez



Francisco Ferreira
Adriana Ferreyra
Erik Fischer
Zachary Fisher
Eric Fleming
Allison Fletcher
Fredy Flores



Ivana Flores
Omar Florian
Anthony Fontana
Bradley Ford
Sara Fouts
Kristen Frank
Caitlin Fredricks



Jordanna Freyling
Melissa Friedman
Taylor Funderburk
Matthew Gaede
Eunice Galang
Andres Garcia
Eric Garcia



Guadalupe Garcia
Julio Garcia
Monica Garcia
Evelyn Garfias
Ellen Gebhardt
Humberto Gonzalez
Jose Gonzalez



Roberto Gonzalez
Tony Gonzalez
Veronica Gonzalez
Spencer Goorley
Kelsey Gossen
Maria Grabiec
Oscar Grajeda



Mark Greathouse
Thomas Grewell
Abigail Grigaitis
Daniel Guerrero
Eduardo Guerrero
Lizbeth Guerrero
Alejandra Guijosa



Dane Gunderson
Austin Hale
Austin Hall
Jin Han
Ryan Hansen
Tucker Hauptman
Drew Heiden

.....visualize.....record.....scamper.....

Kayla Hempe
Jose Hernandez
Lorena Hernandez
Jessica Hing
Jeffrey Hlinka
Dustin Hon
Rachel Howe



Ryan Howington
Adilenia Huerta
Christian Huerta
Joel Huerta
Brian Hummer
Michael Humphries
Andrew Hur



Andrew Jacobsen
Rachel Jefferson
Stacey Jensen
Ulysses Jimenez
Kristen Johansen
Lindsay Johnson
Brendon Jones



Jessica Jones
Tierra Jones
Nicole Jurkowski
Joann Kaczmarczyk
Brittany Kamphaus
Andrew Kanter
Seth Kelley



Thomas Kelly
Aaron Kennedy
Jaclyn Kerber
James Kipp
Kyle Kirincic
Kevin Klintworth
Heather Knoll



Mera Kolisnyk
Vitaliy Koshyn
Jason Kovanda
Brittany Kraft
Krista Kraus
Ethan Krauspe
Kristina Kuhn



Smiriti Kurup
Justin Kutilek
James Laloggia
Lindsey Lasiowski
Panfilo Lavariega
Matthew Leahy
Justin Leduc



Jay Lenahan
Jamie Lesniak
Ian Letts
Julie Leveille
Melanie Linsenmeyer
Christy Liszka
Eric Lopez



.....solve.....approve.....communicate.....



Jacqueline Lopez
Toribio Lopez
Joseph Losacco
Benjamin Luis
Neil Luka
Diana Luna
Joel Luna



Marco Luna
Suzanna Lundquist
Grant Luther
John Malandrucolo
Jesse Maldonado
Alejandra Mancera
Teresa Mangialomini



Joshua Manthei
Jorge Marin
David Marshall
Jared Marshall
Stephanie Marter
Amber Martin
Zachary Martin



Maria Martinez
Miguel Martinez
Stephanie Martinez
Rony Mathew
Kymberly Mcdaniel
Amanda Medeiros
Kevin Medina



Patricia Medina
Valeria Medina
Edgar Mendez
Yessenia Mendez
Yobanny Mendez
Aldo Mendoza
Guillermo Mendoza



Sarahi Mendoza
Alexandria Mills
James Miner
Matthew Miner
Matt Molitor
Melissa Molskow
Inelia Montenegro



Edith Moyotl
Gloria Munoz
Jose Munoz
Nerdy Munoz
Kelly Murphy
David Musick
Rachel Nash



Nicole Nevitt
Chloe Nichols
Robyn Nickelson
Michelle Nitti
Samantha Nolte
Adam Nota
Kenneth Novak

...acquire.....speculate.....absorb.....

Susan Nowicki
 Maricela Olague
 Miguel Olmedo
 Heather Olson
 Carl Opel
 Andrew Oppermann
 Christopher Orda



Ashley Ortega
 Ivanna Ortiz
 Maria Ortiz
 Taylor Overman
 Natalie Pacelli
 Baltazar Padilla
 James Padilla



Avilene Paniagua
 Michael Parisi
 John Pascente
 Mark Pasindo
 Nikunj Patel
 Joseph Peletis
 Gregory Pelke



Audrianna Pena
 Annabel Perez
 Fabiola Perez
 Jorge Perez
 Jose Perez
 Josefina Perez
 Maria Perez



Mauricio Perez
 Olga Perez
 Osvaldo Perez
 Stephanie Perez
 Megan Peterson
 Nicole Petronzio
 John Photopulos



Christopher Piane
 John Pickens
 Sarah Pierpoint
 Austin Pietrobbon
 Maritza Pina
 Alec Pineda
 Ashley Pineda



Katelyn Pitts
 Alexander Podschwilt
 Henry Polz
 Jonathan Porquillo
 Brandon Potirala
 Jessica Proa
 Maria Proa



Lilianny Puertas
 Dayne Putnam
 Theodore Quednau
 Brenda Quiroz
 Kayla Radloff
 Elva Ramirez
 Estefani Ramirez



.....whine.....congregate.....invent.....



Ricardo Rangel
Emily Rawls
Kyle Reed
Matthew Reinhardt
Nicole Repetto
Jonathan Reyes
Marco Reyes



Ivonne Reza
Brittany Riddle
Christian Rios
Ruben Rios
Randi Ritchie
Mary Rizk
Jose Robles



Rubi Robles
Francisco Rocio
Jose Rocio
Oscar Rodriguez
Roy Rodriguez
Yvette Rodriguez
Kamrey Rohrdanz



Stephanie Rojas
Hailey Roloff
Scott Rolseth
Ryan Roman
Brenda Romero
Maria Romero
Lorrie Rooney



Juan Rosales
Courtney Rosalez
Edgar Rubio
Teresa Rubio
Mallory Russ
Ryan Russell
Veronica Salazar



Ramon Salgado
David Sampilier
Erick Sanchez
Claudia Santana
David Santiago
Stacey Santillan
Hope Schmidt



Samantha Schneider
Trevor Schoeller
Timothy Schuda
Margaret Scott
Neal Secker
Nicholas Secker
Douglas Selby



Barrett Serrato
James Shallcross
Liz Showalter
Angela Shurba
Kelly Siefert
Samantha Siefert
Doug Sills

lug.....steer.....mark.....

Brett Simon
 Brian Simpson
 Matthew Smeraglio
 Brian Smith
 Matthew Smothers
 Ryan Sobbe
 Mario Solis



Brittany Soto
 Tiffany Stawicki
 Chelsea Steck
 Caraline Stenslik
 Kelsey Stewart
 Todd Stilin
 Steven Stolte



Rachel Storey
 William Stoynoff
 Hannah Strayve
 Nathaniel Strayve
 Mary Sunde
 Steven Szul
 Antonio Tapia



Maricela Tapia
 Adriana Tecuatl
 Imelda Tecuatl
 Amanda Terry
 Christine Thompson
 Rebecca Tiani
 Joshua Tikka



Adam Timko
 Jennifer Tirado
 Richard Tovar
 Colleen Treachler
 Heather Tricoli
 Kevin Troy
 Lisa Trygar



Ricki Tuma
 Rebecca Uy
 Jesus Valino
 Amanda Vangarsse
 Bryan Vargas
 Cristoval Vargas
 Kevin Vasiliauskas



Elizabeth Vazquez
 Rogelio Vazquez
 Miguel Velazquez
 Victor Velazquez
 Jacob Venchus
 Francisco Viera
 Salvator Vitro



Oscar Vivaldo
 Adam Voss
 Michael Wall
 Paul Warkins
 Ashley Waugh
 Kelly Weber
 Timothy Weibler



.....involve.....convey.....advocate.....



James Weier
Kelly Weier
Garrett Welch
Kristin Weltzin
Jessica Wendt
Thomas Werle
Nicolas Werthman



Scott Wetherald
Christopher Wille
Erica Williams
Jonathan Williams
Joseph Winnicki
Andrew Wirtz
Tara Wojciechowski



Kara Wolfe
Ryan Worthy
Joshua Yednock
Matthew Youngwith
Amanda Zanoni
Nicole Zbilski
Jayne Zenker



Matthew Ziffra



.....converse.....fret.....delight.....

100 Reasons Why We Enjoy Being Sophomores

...we receive more respect from the upperclassmen...our fans can actually attend sophomore football games...we can sit in Commons during lunch hours...we have more confidence knowing we are not the youngest anymore...we receive an extended curfew from our parents...we turn 16...we are required to take Drivers Ed...we take more challenging academic classes...we are not called "freshies"...we know more about electives...we can buy "Squad" shirts...we can apply for a job without a permit...we have a better feel for the school...we can look down to the freshmen...we are not bugged by the upperclassmen as much...our football games are on Friday nights...we can host a French exchange student...we can attend the career fair...we can get our drivers licenses...we take sophomore academy...we know our deans...we do not need to worry about college yet...we can take Topics...we can drive...we know we have to actually study...we can try out for the pom squad...we are away from being upperclassmen...we can take chemistry...we know the security teachers check for hall pound backpacks...we do ACT's...we can sit in the back is not a police officer...we registration...our color is green...our friends can drive us experience in float building...we do not need to write the drive...we don't need to worry exams...we already know can be peer helpers...we do ing for scholarships...we can are not freshmen...we can be leading squad...we can par-in the "game time" cheer...we summer for Drivers Ed...we option of taking Western rized the school's schedule gym class...we learn about not need to worry about prom during our off hour...we do class...we do not have to take drive...our French play can be commercial...we can still oldersiblings...we are allowed course...our GPA can still be more privileges...we still have now a part of the Squad...we can run for Student Council's executive board...**Miss Jones** can be our teacher...we know more about after school activities...we are no longer intimidated...we do not need a map on the first day of school...we can receive extra credit for being on the math team...we can drive...the cheerleaders support us at football games...we do not have to sit in silence during our study period...we don't need to take the bus to school...our Tuesday nights are open...we can take Spanish 3...we can go on the European History Tour...we do not need to dissect a pig...our hallway is on the first floor...the deans know who we are...we can choose between Western Civilization and Topics...we can donate blood with permission from our parents...we can drive...we can reenact World War I in **Mrs. Wilson's** class...we have a better chance to go to prom...we can take World Studies...we are experienced in window painting...we can host German exchange students...we can be issued parking tickets...we are not juniors...we can't take Physics...we have experience in planning for Homecoming...we have essay writing experience...we only have two years left...



Ashley Vaughn and Jenni Aramburu

Giovanni Davero



Melanie Linsenmeyer



Heather Busch and Angela Shurba



Sarah Pierpoint and Lauren Desik



Kelle Driscoll

.....enroll.....Know.....object.....

Begin |

Freshmen Follow in the Footsteps of Fellow Cats



The first day of school was nothing new for most of the students at Community High School. The sophomores talked amongst their friends. Juniors, the new upperclassmen, walked around with a sense of confidence, while the seniors moved into their new home in Senior Hall. However, the freshman class, consisting of 599 students, walked in the school with high hopes for a successful year.

Although the halls seemed to be never ending, the change did not bother the Class of 2009. With all these new changes and experiences, they were able to adapt. Teachers expected more responsibility from them, the freshmen had more freedom of class choices, and homework became more time consuming. Outside of school, the freshmen needed to accept the challenge of competing in one of the toughest conferences in the state for athletics. As for activities, freshmen experienced their first Homecoming and Midnight Madness. "Homecoming was a bigger deal than the middle school dances. I enjoyed dressing up and spending a lot of money on my hair. Afterwards I had a lot of fun with all my friends," said **Shannon Cunningham (09)**.

With three more years to go, the freshmen will have countless experiences and memories to come. Sophomore year they will learn to drive. When the ACT's have been taken, the Class of 2009 will finally relax and prepare for their first prom. And as the days begin to dwindle, they will look forward to the most important day of the high school career, graduation.

-**Mary Hesterman, De Anne Fitzenreider and Kiara Wolfe**

class of 2009

....question.....meet.....progress.....

Carly Abraham
Morgan Abrams
Juan Acosta
Lucia Alanis
Antonio Alcala
Alejandro Alcantar
Isaac Alejo



Brenda Almanza
Alejandro Almaraz
Elizabeth Anicua
Jimmy Aramburu
Amaryllis Arellano
Anaïs Arias
Arely Armas



Paulina Arroyo
Vidal Avalos
Priscila Avila
Rascha Azakir
Jesse Baker
Talia Bangert
Laura Barba



Edgar Barrera
Francisco Barrera
Guadalupe Barrera
Jair Barrera
Michael Barrier
Rachel Bass
Zakary Bayless



Jessica Bedard
Katrina Beedle
Kathryn Bell
Ruben Benavides
Rachel Benney
Kristen Beres
Gregory Berg



Jessica Bergmann
Jose Bernal
Marie Besore
Sarah-T. Bicchinnella
Jonathan Birkey
Michelle Blackman
Kyle Blenkle



Margarita Borjon
Nicholas Bosch
Amanda Botello
Eri Botello
Drew Bowker
Thomas Boyd
Jake Bradley



Rogelio Bravo
Tara Breinig
Emily Breitreitz
Danielle Brown
Sally Brown
Sarah Brown
Ethan Burau



.....individualize.....behave.....attend.....



Garrett Burden
Dana Burgess
William Burke
Jaime Cabrera
Stacie Cain
Danny Calabrese
Daisy Calderon



Natalie Calvillo
Milena Camargo
Casey Camp
Jamie Campos
Sam Caputo
Taryn Cardin
Enjelica Carlos



Pedro Carlos
Marisa Carter
Katelyn Casey
Shannon Cassello
Alberto Chavez
Tyler Christ
Renee Cirone



Rebecca Cisowski
Mary Clabots
Ashley Clark
Daniel Clark
David Clark
Joseph Clark
Molly Cody



Hanna Colliander
Gilda Conforti
Abigail Contreras
Ivette Contreras
Melissa Conway
Eduardo Coronado
Estefania Coronel



Carlos Correa
Elizabeth Correa
Isabel Correa
Jose Correa
Juan Correa
Ramiro Costilla
Ryan Crawford



Sarah Crivello
Alma Cruz
Shannon Cunningham
Samantha Curatola
Kevin Curda
Ali Damani
Jamie Dash



Kelsey Davis
Kristin Day
Ethan Dean
Mark Dean
Jacqueline Debolt
Jose Delgado
Rogelio Del Muro

.....acclimate.....hesitate.....wander....

George Demos
Alexandra Dennis
Casey Dennis
Kelsey Denson
Carlos Diaz
Kaleb Dieter
Pete Dieter



Lisette Dominguez
Matthew Duffy
Tiesha Dunning
JoAnna Duran
Michael Dylla
David Eble
Kevin Eckler



James Egert
Christine Escobedo
Liz Espinal
Yuleimi Esteban
Alexandra Eterno
Ashley Faestel
Dante Farfan



Kelly Farrell
Marco Favela
Linda Feltes
Miriam Fernandez
Melanie Fischer
Blaine Flanagan
Jason Foreman



Lynette Forrest
George Fortman
Corey Freebern
Amanda French
Cristal Galvan
Evelyn Galvan
Alejandro Garcia



Alejandro Garcia
Federico Garcia
Hector Garcia
Josue Garcia
Marco Garcia
Maricruz Garcia
Mauricio Garcia



Michael Garcia
Rogelio Garcia
Sugeny Garcia
Susana Garcia
Fernando Garnica
Maxwell George
Lisa Giordano



Kevin Glenn
Kristin Goffinet
Elizabeth Gola
Yesenia Gomez
Betzayra Gonzalez
Eder Gonzalez
Guadalupe Gonzalez



.....withdrow.....appear.....arrive.....



Angelica Gordon
Dominique Gortowski
Carissa Gouskos
Dianna Gouskos
Katarzyna Grabiec
Teresa Granados
Megan Green



Timothy Griffith
Ryan Grigaitis
Kelli Grimm
Keryll Grinash
Thor Groseth
Joseph Grotto
Izamar Guerrero



Olisab Guevara
Rosaura Guevara
Lynda Guillen
Melissa Guillen
Rhett Gunderson
Jesse Hacker
Cody Hadley



Arica Hannus
Eric Hasselberger
Preston Hauptman
Melissa Healy
William Heinze
Nicholas Henke
Alberto Hernandez



Arturo Hernandez
Carlos Hernandez
Marcos Hernandez
Reina Hernandez
Ryan Hernandez
Sandra Hernandez
Sergio Hernandez



Fermin Herrera
Jesus Herrera
Jose Herrera
David Hiltner
Scott Hodges
Calvin Holt
Lauran Hon



Sarah Houck
Mitchell Householder
Clark Hudmon
Heriberto Huerta
Amanda Huey
Kevin Hund
Matthew Infanger



Joey Irizarry
Taylor Jaconis
Ashley Jefferson
James Jensen
Jerry Jimenez
Lindsey Johnston
Milton Juarez

...hypothesize.....thrive.....estimate.....

Juan Jurado
Daniel Kemnitz
Sarah Kimball
Jonathan Kinsella
Shawn Kiser
Kimberly Kleczewski
Kevin Klouda



Nathan Kopecky
Jaclyn Kostel
Kristen Kotche
Ryan Krage
Jonathan Krystinak
Nicole Kuhlmann
Douglas Kulie



Coralyn Kutzner
James Laiter
Nathan Laka
Brent Lambert-Zaffino
Anna Lane
Anayeli Lara
Paige Lawless



Thomas Leffler
Jose Leon
Sara Lim
Alex Lima
Aryn Lively
Tim Loftus
Gaby Lopez



Yesenia Lopez
Allende Luna
David Lusto
Kelli Lyne
Caitlin MacDonald
Courtney Macko
Alexander Maguire



Sian Malan
Kevin Marano
Andrew Marcellis
Oriana Marin
Omar Martell
Alejandra Martinez
Daisy Martinez



Diana Martinez
Erik Martinez
Leigh Martino
Kathleen Mason
Virginia Mason
Abbey Mastroianni
A. Mastrodonardo



Brian Mateas
Douglas Mateas
Partick McCaffrey
John McCormack
Ashley McNerney
Joslyn Meissner
Michelle Memoli



.....explore.....panic.....borrow.....



Sam Mercaldo
Ladi Mica
Daniel Michiels
Ashley Michnick
Nicholas Miller
Jessica Mitsch
Rachel Molinaro



Sarah Molo
Jose Montalvo
Monica Montoya
Veronica Montoya
Krystin Morabito
Tony Morabito
Maria Morales



Michael Morales
Jacqueline Morgan
Zachary Mowen
Jose Moyotl
Christen Mungo
Fernando Munoz
Geovani Munoz



Tyler Murray
Rodney Nasir
Kasi Navadomskis
Navy Neang
Colin Nelson
Miles Nelson
Courtney Nesemeier



Kyle Nichol
John Nickelson
Karina Nicolas
Adriana Noceda
Kelly Nottingham
Erica Nystrom
Kyle Obright



Richard Om
Alberto Ortiz
Erik Ortiz
Luis Ortiz
Mirella Ortiz
Jonny Padilla
Jose Padilla



Miguel Padilla
Robert Paihr
Cole Paler
Monika Parker
Mariela Parra
Jorge Pasillas
Jozef Pavnica



Dominic Pavone
Zachary Pazar
David Peace
Olga Pena
Alastair Perez
Angelica Perez
Elizabeth Perez

.....linger.....bother.....toil.....

Elvio Perez
Fabiola Perez
Gabriela Perez
Jairo Perez
Juan Perez
Lorena Perez
Naila Perez



Pedro Perez
Ricardo Perez
Servando Perez
Yessenia Perez
Jose Perez Jr.
Drew Peterson
Molly Pfeifer



Christopher Pierce
Miriam Pinto
Alex Pirela
Margaret Polacek
Casey Powrozek
Alexander Puetz
Anthony Quarto



Daniel Quinn
Donna Quiroz
Edgar Ramirez
Betsy Ramirez-Juarez
Jennifer Ramos
Alejandro Recendez
Cody Reif



Walter Reyes
Cristina Rico
Lamanda Riggins
Majica Rivera
Matthew Rizzo
Sadie Roberts
Michael Robles



Allison Rodriguez
Jeannette Rodriguez
Stephanie Rodriguez
Raquel Rojas
Jamie Roman
A.J. Romanelli
Steven Romanelli



Linda Romero
Christine Rovtar
Kevin Ruiz
Joseph Russell
Curtis Salazar
Monica Salinas
Griselda Sanchez



Ismael Sanchez
Jesus Sanchez
Maria Sanchez
Stuart Sankovitch
Samantha Sanmiguel
Krista Sauter
Steven Schneider



.....memorize.....register.....mimic.....



Michael Schramer
Mark Schumacher
Michael Scott
Kyle Seidler
Eric Selcke
Kathryn Selga
Joseph Serio



Hector Serrato
Shawna Serrato
Giovanni Serriteno
Caitlin Shiga
Julia Shuliga
Kyle Sikorski
Lanie Sikorski



Ryan Sinclair
Brittaney Singleton
Brittany Smith
Lia Smith
Sara Smolucha
William Soll
Martin Sorensen



Juan Soto
Glen Staffeldt
Krupscaya Stevens
Dylan Stewart
Rory Stewart
Frank Stoeberl
Eugene Stolp



Gina Stolzman
Patrick Stremel
Azucena Suarez
Ashton Swinney
Ryan Talip
Lyndsey Tan
Ileana Tapanes



Giovanni Tapia
Oscar Tapia
Hannah Taylor
James Taylor
Nicholas Tedeschi
Pedro Tellez
Amanda Tennis



Matthew Thomas
Edgar Torales
Anna Treudt
Jonathan Tricoli
Sean Tubridy
Taylor Turner
Katrina Turzinski



Tom Ulin
Lucas Valdez
Bibiana Valenzuela
Alejandro Valino
Daniel Vargas
Reyna Vargas
Rocio Vasquez

.....mumble.....blend.....replace.....

Carlos Vega
Citlali Veloz
Yolanda Vera
Joel Viera
Ricardo Villa
Mauricio Vivaldo
Gregory Vodicka



Alexi Vogdanos
Amy Volk
Samuel Wais
Cody Weigand
Jeremy Werle
Alicia Weyerstrahs
Natalie Wierenga



Chelsey Wilbur
Dana Williams
Joseph Wilson
Michaelene Winn
Kiara Wolfe
Ethan Woodbury
Quiona Woods



Tyler Wrzesinski
Sarah Zaidi
Megan Zajac
Eduardo Zavala
Wesley Zinser



..transition....originate....experiment...

100 Things We Wish We Would Have Known

...high school is better than middle school...study...there really is no fourth floor...do not ask a senior where to find your foreign language class...do not walk through Senior Hall...freshman hell week is a myth...always be organized...the clock flashes 0:00 before it turns to 12:00...work towards a high GPA...take a study hall...you will receive more homework than in middle school...be responsible...achieve a 3.5 GPA to sit in Commons second semester...become friends with everyone...you will find yourself lost at least once...attend school activities...join school clubs...blue passes are bad...try your best...college is not that far away...don't sit at the senior lunch table...try not to make enemies...these are the best years of your lives...use a map...don't overload your backpack...you cannot be a part of the Squad...the office will call your house if you ditch class...IDs are sold at Entrance H only...stick a shoe in Entrance F if you want to re-renter the school...the library will charge you for late books...**Larry** will not hesitate to chase you

down...there is a secret pas-
English office to the Journalism
Myspace through Vtunnel
be able to cover your
lunchroom...there are no gangs
food costs more than junk
machines are in the arcade...there
pass...**Mr. Burzynski** will ask for a
can never walk through the ar-
than President Bush...always
buses leave at 3:20...the arcade
hallway...you need a pass to
hours...security will blow their
comes before sunrise...yellow is
cannot choose your own gym
outside for lunch...wear comfy
ridays are for blue and
eating is allowed in class...you
SparkNotes is your new best
dances even without a date
grades on Edline...take a class
for gym, you cannot partici-
GPA...if you get in trouble, go to
leave food in your locker...read
a yearbook...start saving for a
friend...do not wear other
men are always right...try your
stairs at least once, so don't be
...do not steal senior parking
you think...you earn credit for
your cell phone on silent...try in



Rachel Molinaro



Blaine Flanagan



Football Team



Allison Rodriguez



Abbey Mastroianni



Jimmy Aramburu

sage that goes from the En-
Lab...you can log onto
...your parents won't always
mistakes...prices are high in the
roaming the halls...healthy
food...the good vending ma-
is no such thing as an elevator
hall pass...find a detour; you
cade...we have more security
lock your gym locker...the
is not a game room; it is a
use the library during off
whistle if you loiter...the bus
your new favorite color...you
class...you are allowed to go
clothes as much as possible...
white...you can chew gum...
only receive two free ids...
friend...take pictures...attend
...your parents can check your
that interests you...if you're late
pate...gym counts on your
Mr. Martino...do not T.P...don't
the Wildcat Chronicle...order
car...your counselor is your
schools' colors...upperclass-
best...everyone falls down the
embarrassed...don't be afraid
spots...finals are not as bad as
being an office assistant...put
gym class...have a book

handy for reading day, especially if **Ms. Santella** is your teacher...take a foreign language...meet new friends and keep old ones...going to school in your parents' mini-van is better than riding the bus...teachers know that your dog didn't eat your homework...take all extra credit opportunities...don't trust spell check...try to be on time for first hour...the school clocks are about three minutes faster than every other clock in the world...you will have to swim in gym...having an older sibling can be to your advantage...room 206 is inside the library...don't lose the school's books...do not plagiarize...if you don't attend your Saturday school you will become suspended...there is an activity for everyone...colleges like well-rounded students...junior year is the hardest...there are no free refills...the school store is located in the library...the next four years go by really fast, so enjoy them while you can...

.....grasp.....establish.....dread.....

Instruct

Staff Offers More Than Books and Blackboards

Dedicated, creative, passionate, and intelligent are only a few adjectives that could be used to describe We-Go's 259 faculty members. The faculty has given the students a foundation on which to build their education and develop skills. "Throughout the past four years I have been inspired by a number of teachers here at We-Go. As a direct correlation of this, I am going into the future with a confident mindset and the ability to succeed," said **Joel Barker** (06).

Despite their daily objective to teach new concepts, teachers also interact with students on a personal level. For example, many teachers coach sports teams, lead clubs, and devote time towards their students outside of the classroom. "Learning in an atmosphere knowing that the teacher understands your personal needs and feelings is profitable. I am motivated because of the strong bond I share with my teacher," said **Robyn Nickelson** (08).

This year, the students and veteran staff welcomed 45 new staff members. "Even though I love working with those I have known for many years, it is incredibly exciting to become acquainted with fresh faces and perspectives, it gives me something to look forward to each school year," said **Mr. Garcia**. Although years of experience vary, the faculty at We-Go blends together to form an institution dedicated to our education.

- **Lesley Pfeifer** and **Marilyn Jacques**



Mr. Martin

faces
of
education

.....explain.....assist.....overhear.....



Jeffery Ainsworth
Adam Akin
Marjorie Appel
Gail Aronoff
Christopher Bardey
Cynthia Bedford
Sarah Bellis



Nancy Blume
Melissa Bortnick
Linda Brandt
Barbara Brennan
Zerrin Bulut
Susan Bunce
Suzanne Burchacki



Janet Burlison
Rosalinda Campos
Lucia Carlos
Josh Chambers
John Chisholm
Susan Cisek
Patricia Clifford



Andrea Cobbett
Michael Conroy
Timothy Courtney
Elizabeth Cox
Alina Cyrus
Nicholas Dalo
Mary Ellen Daneels



Diana Davis
Byron Delcid
Tara Dellutri
Megan Dulkyns
Donna Durbin
Angelica Espino
David Exner



Maria Fernandez
Candace Fikis
Patrick Fox
Robert French
Gwen Geiger
Amy Gibson
Ildemaro Godinho



Heather Goebel
Melissa Gonzalez
Samirah Grande
Margaret Haas
Gregory Hansen
Kristi Hasty
Aaron Hayes



David Hernandez
Curt Herrin
Jill Holubetz
Kristen Isacson
Catherine Jaeger
Jana Jensen
Julie Johnson

.....request.....proclaim.....enlighten.....

Beth Jones
Katie Jones
Susan Junkroski
Norman Kane
Jeffery Kargol
Beverly Kilgallen
Dina Klancir



Jason Kling
Michael Koulos
Patti Kozlowski
Laura Kuehn
Bradley Larson
Anthony LaRue
Terry Lemberg-Finn



June Lincoln
Christopher Lukas
Abby Lynch
Laurie Majchrowski
Elizabeth Malinsky
Kristina Mallon
Kimberly Maloney



Jacob Martin
Peter Martino
Barbi Mathews
Anthony Maurice
Robert Maxson
Mary McCarter
Daniel McCarthy



Mitchell McKenna
Paul McLeland
Marianne Melvin
Judith Minor
Eduardo Montoya
Dianne Mueller
James Philips



Mark Poulterer
Mary Randle
Lynn Ratzlaff
Ward Rau
Andrew Reinke
Jaclyn Riani
James Rice



Leroy Rieck
Mary Roley
Julie Rose
Annette Rubino
Karin Sammons
Patricia Santella
Dawn Schmied



Norma Silva
Elva Slepicka
Whitney Snyder
Jean Steerup
Janelle Stefancic
Robert Stone
Joy Tanimura



.....punish.....advise.....console.....



Marc Taylor
Michael Terronez
Kinjal Thakkar
Catherine Thielberg
Michele Torres
Dulce Vasquez
Martha Ventimilla



Kristen Vondrak
Kimberly Wallner
Brian Wheeler
Jared Winquist
Donald Zabelin
Tammie Zegar
Helen Zmrhal



...manage.....recommend.....suggest.....

Epitomize

These Wildcats Represent the Best of The Best

ETHAN & MARK

Fraternal twins **Ethan** and **Mark Dean** (09) not only share similar looks but similar goals and dreams. Although the first year seems to be quite stressful for many young freshmen, the twins started their year out full throttle. Although **Ethan** lost the election for president of the Freshman Class Student Council, he stayed positive on the situation. "I plan on running for president because one of my ambitions is to be student of the month my senior year and have my picture in the glass case," said **Ethan**.

Mark, on the other hand, served as Vice President for the Class of 2009. He also played his hand in sports and joined the basketball team. With his height and his incredible dribbling skills, **Mark** is sure to continue his basketball career throughout his years at We-Go. Although he is caught up in so many activities, he still finds time to unwind. "My way of relaxing is playing my guitar and singing," said **Mark**. "It's soothing."

With new classes waiting for **Mark** and **Ethan** at every door in the building, they both found a teacher they enjoy. **Ms. Malinsky** is the lucky Spanish 2 teacher that had both Ethan and Mark Dean in the same class. She said, "Having the two of them in class is fun to watch. **Ethan** is the more angelic twin and **Mark** is the more rambunctious twin. The dynamic between the two of them is great. They are both optimistic and excited to be in class everyday." Watch out We-Go, the **Dean** Brothers are here to stay until 2009; it should be an interesting journey.

-Lauren Buscemi



MELISSA



Melissa Olsen (07) is a young athlete that feeds on ambition and drive. She is a junior varsity basketball and volleyball player that puts her game face on at practices and games. **Melissa** strove to perfect her game throughout the season as well as in the off-season. **Olsen** has many athletic accomplishments including a spot on the All Tournament Volleyball Team. If that is not enough, **Olsen** also made the all-star basketball team freshman and sophomore year. "**Melissa** has stepped up in her leadership qualities. She has progressed and is mentally prepared on a daily basis, not just for games but for the off season as well," said **Coach Wallner**.

When **Olsen** isn't on the court, she finds time to enjoy going out with friends, going to the movies and baking. She loves working with kids and someday wants to pursue a computer-related job such as a computer teacher. Her favorite part about high school is that she can show her school spirit at school events. She likes meeting new people and being a part of a team such as the squad. This young lady has gotten her inspiration from her friends and family and she continues to impress the people around her with incredible talent. "The people that inspired me the most are my family and friends. If I had a problem with school or sports they would listen to me, they give me advice. I love coming to school knowing that I have people who care about me and want me to succeed," said **Olsen**.

-Daisy Sallis

.....characterize.....shine.....perceive.....



Hardworking and committed are just two words that describe this outstanding freshman known as **Kristin Day**. **Kristin** is a well-rounded student who is always seen participating in class. She enjoys learning about World Geography and basically loves being at school.

Kristin not only excels in academics, but also finds the time to stay involved in activities inside and outside of school. "I'm determined to do anything and I won't give up until I've reached my goal," said **Kristin**. With this immense amount of determination, **Kristin** made a name for herself by being the only freshman on the Varsity Football/Basketball Cheerleading Squad. In addition to being involved in cheerleading, **Kristin's** also involved in soccer outside of school. She currently plays for the Eclipse team in Geneva, and has been playing soccer for a total of nine years.

Kristin looks to her family for support. She said, "My parents have always been there to support me. I know I can always count on them because they'll always be there to turn to no matter what. Without my parents, I wouldn't be who I am today." **Kristin Day** is an exemplary student who constantly walks around with a smile on her face, always ready to face her next challenge.

-Vicky Mounghounsavath

KRISTIN

"Never let 'em see ya sweat" is the motto **Scott Staiton**, a sixteen-year-old junior, vows to live by as he faces daily challenges. "**Scott** welcomes his challenges with open arms, determination and a confident mindset that in return guarantees him success," said his mother. First and foremost, **Scott** focuses on his grade. He obtained a strong GPA with demanding classes such as AP English. **Scott** wishes to finish off his high school career without drifting much from this impressive average.

Despite **Scott's** dedication to his education, he still finds time to represent the CHS golf team. **Scott** has been on the varsity team since his freshman year and served as varsity team captain in the 2005 season. Furthermore, **Scott** has been recognized all three years for academic all conference player. **Scott** began playing golf at the age of twelve and was able to participate in numerous IJGA and AJGA tournaments representing Illinois and Iowa. "Personal pride motivates me to excel as well as dreams of being rich and powerful and hopefully being remembered for thousands of years after me," said **Scott**. **Scott's** dedication insured him triumph academically and athletically and will hopefully provide him with an even more fulfilling future.

-Marilyn Jacques

SCOTT



MARY

Many people try and just breeze through high school, but for **Mary Rizk** (08) that's not good enough. She wants to go through high school knowing she tried her best at achieving her goals. In the fall, **Mary** joined student council. "I was in it in eighth grade, but I didn't know how to get involved in the high school. I knew **Adi** (sophomore class president) pretty well, and she encouraged me to join this year," said **Mary**. While she enjoyed fundraising and making final exam care packages, planning Homecoming was the best part. Along with student council, **Mary** also participates in Women's Choral as an alto and in track as a thrower. "I hope to make Varsity next year," **Mary** said of her future athletics.

Mary concentrates on her school work and looks to her older cousin Laura and her teachers for support. **Mary** said, "It is nice having a good relationship with my teachers because, if I need help I have no problem going to them for help. **Fantozzi's** my favorite. He's had me for two years now so he knows us better than most teachers do. It makes it easier to talk to him," said **Mary**. **Mary** has high hopes for the future. "I plan to be a lawyer. When I was little, my mom told me I'd be good at it since I talked so much. It's really not relative, but I am argumentative, so it would be good for me," said **Mary**. With her involvement in the school and ambitions, we are proud to call **Mary** a wildcat.

-Danielle Romano



...identify.....stand-out.....distinguish....

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...lecture.....procrastinate.....study...



As Wildcats....

We **question** the impossible.

We **realize** that if we don't **believe** in our dreams no one will.

We **clash** with everyday life and its twist and turns.

We **panic** over tests and at times **procrastinate** as long as possible.

We **defend** our opinions and **Fight** for what we believe.

We learn to **develop** skills that we will use now and in the future.

We are overcome with a desire to **experience** "the time of our lives."

We **chuckle** at our teachers' jokes and **settle** into our home away from home.

We **strive** through our classes to **attain** that certain grade.

We **hope** and **long** for a new and better tomorrow.

We **learn** that to reach where we want to go we must **dream** a little and **do** a lot.

We **know** it is not worth doing if it is not worth doing right.

As we **climb** the mountain of education, we **groan, complain, and struggle**.

Nevertheless, we **journey** on anyway,

knowing that to **make** pure gold, we must **go** through fire first.

...It's what we do.



...con**str**ue.....str**ugg**le.....in**qu**ire....

Discourse

Government Issues Spark Debate From Left To Right



••• **Elena Suarez** (06) argues that, "I believe gay marriage should be permitted. If the Constitution states that in order to create a more perfect union there should be liberty, then why deny it to homosexuals?"



••• According to **Brittany Blanchard** (06), "If a terminally ill patient wishes to die in less pain and with more dignity, he or she should be allowed the choice to have a physician end their suffering."



••• Democratic Floor Leader, **Kayla Harris** (06) says, "Giving woman the right to choose is something I support 100%. If they want to ban abortion, they should plan on paying for the child's healthcare."



••• According to **Carl Johnson** (06) "Using the death penalty in our country does nothing more than make us all hypocrites. Killing those who killed is not reasonable."



••• **Dan Dyrda** (06) argues, "Gun control allows our government to keep us safe. The more people are allowed to carry their own concealed weapons, the more danger I am in."



••• "The hardest thing to do is participate in government and the simulation helps students engage in that process. It's important to understand how the parties are different. A lot of people's opinions change through the simulation and that's part of the learning experience," says **Mr. Kellner**.

.....debate.....yield.....propose.....



... According to **Joe Malandrucolo** (06), "The death penalty keeps our system in check. These hard criminals waste our prison space and money and should have the ultimate punishment."



... Republican Floor Leader **Dan Visser** (06), says, "Abortion is murder because life begins at conception. There is no excuse for killing innocent children. I don't see any reason to keep abortion. We need to save the lives of our future."



... "Government is important because it teaches students to be effective citizens post high school. It's fun and exciting to watch students develop an argument and communicate through civil discourse," said Government Teacher, **Miss Snyder**



... "I, **Joel Barker** (06), am against Physician Assisted Suicide because I am pro-life. Doctors should save lives, not murder them. Plus, insurance does not include suicides. This would make it legal and drive rates through the roof."



... **Andy Lane** (06) argues, "I am against the idea of gay marriage. Marriage is a religious ceremony that should be shared by a man and a woman. Marriage has always been between a man and a woman and it should stay that way."

.....order.....persuade.....veto.....

Deliberate

Wildcats Ignite Debates on Controversial Issues

Twenty-five JSA members worked hard to familiarize themselves with controversial issues, ranging from border control and gay rights to abortion. Members met every Thursday to debate their thoughts about these topics and to gain knowledge from other members' perspectives to use later on at their mock legislative session. These mock legislative sessions imitate what happens in the real world legislative branch in congress. This student-run organization elected **Joseph Malandruccolo** (06) as their president and **Gwen Murphy** (06) as their vice president. **Mrs. Laimins** has assisted JSA for four years, and 2006 was her first year being in charge. "I get a chance to discuss, and it gives me a chance to know what students are thinking about on these issues," said **Mrs. Laimins**.

JSA members visited Washington D.C. in February for Winter Congress. During this opportunity, the JSA members were able to tour the city. They also explored a section of the subway system that travels from the White House to all the other buildings. They also met with politicians such as Democratic Senator **Dick Durbin**. D.C. is not the only place that the JSA members visited. They also journeyed to Madison, Wisconsin in the fall and to Oak Brook in April for Spring Congress. During these activities, schools from around the nation all gathered together to play a part in the mock legislation and to pass bills on intense topics. According to **Mrs. Laimins**, being part of JSA gives students a chance to state their opinions about issues that concern them.

-De Anne Fitzenreider



...David Thomas (07) leads the JSA members in a heated debate.



...Alex Grinash (07) states his opinion on border control.



... "JSA is fun, interesting and promotes civic interaction," says Mrs. Laimins.



... Tara Breinig (09) offers her view on border control, "I think it should be easy for immigrants to get into the U.S.," said Breinig.



FIRST ROW: David Fairbairn, David Thomas, Keryll Grinash, Austin Pietrobon, Julia Shallcross, Mrs. Laimins. **SECOND ROW:** Ryan Schultz, Gerik Wysocki, Lee Bennett, Aleksey Grinash, Charles Kim, Jared Vasiliauskas. **THIRD ROW:** Joseph Malandruccolo, Sarah Zaidi, Tara Breinig, Lauren Ham, Kelly Tinnies.

"JSA expands your horizons in more ways than one, new ideas, new places, new people. etc... Besides, there is nothing sadder than a citizen living in a country he or she knows nothing about."

-David Thomas (07)

.....argue.....research.....vote.....

Prosper:

Five Clever Contestants Rule in the Game of Life



... The team cheers one another on after another successful round in the final competition.

The 2006 Lifesmarts Team brought pride and nationwide recognition to West Chicago when they took 3rd place at the ultimate consumer challenge held in Philadelphia on April 22-25. After winning the Illinois State competition, team members **Jared Vasiliauskas** (06), (captain), **Dan Dyrda** (06), **Nick Gorski** (06), **Kevin Michaelson** (07), and **Paul Warkins** (08) demolished the 47 other states.

Coached by **Mr. Zabelin**, the team used their knowledge of financial management, technology, the environment, health and safety, and consumer rights to defeat Rhode Island, 130-125, and Kansas, 85-75, on the first day. After losing their third match to Virginia, the team revived themselves by conquering Wisconsin, 120-50. This victory was followed by a successful rematch against Virginia and another win against Kentucky, 115-105. According to **Paul Warkins**, the team was ecstatic to accept their invitation to the finals. "Reaching the final four was such a wonderful achievement. I was so pleased to represent our school and the state of Illinois in this competition," said **Vasiliauskas**. In the semi-final match, Washington defeated West Chicago 220-190, leaving the team with the honorable 3rd place.

- Marilyn Jacques



... **Kevin Michaelson** (07), **Paul Warkins** (08), **Dan Dyrda** (06), **Jared Vasiliauskas** (06), **Nick Gorski** (06), and **Mr. Zabelin** show off their plaques for winning state.



... "We never imagined that we would finish at third place competing against 49 other talented and intelligent teams," says **Jared Vasiliauskas** (06) of their third place finish.



... **Jared Vasiliauskas** (06), **Dan Dyrda** (06), **Nick Gorski** (06), and **Kevin Michaelson** (07) explore Philadelphia during finals. Liberty Bell, anyone?

"The greatest satisfaction was knowing how proud **Mr. Zabelin** was of our team for making it into the finals and taking third place."

-Paul Warkins (08)



... **Nick Gorski** (06), **Dan Dyrda** (06), **Kevin Michaelson** (07), and **Jared Vasiliauskas** (06) confer with one another during finals.

....decipher.....cogitate.....hustle....

Verbify

The Challenge Staff Asks What Wildcats Do

Each time the Yearbook staff faces the ordeal of deciding a theme for their next book, they ask themselves the same question: What is it that Wildcats do? During the summer of 2005, four staff members decided that this question should serve as the theme of the next book. Certainly, the answers to this question demonstrate the diversity, intelligence, humor and dedication of the more than 2000 students at Community High School.

As we pose this question to our own staff, the answers also vary. What is it that the Yearbook staff does?

We write about our fellow classmates. We draw layouts that we eventually throw across the Journalism Lab. We scream as we find another error in our copy. We laugh at the ridiculous quotes that accumulate on our Yearbook quote wall. We groan as we try to identify another mysterious new teacher. We cry over our boy-friends. We cherish the chance to drive **Ms. Santella** crazy. We run to **Mr. Highland**'s office for approval for another wacky idea. We debate the proper way to spell tee-peeing.

We applaud **Danielle Romano (06)** and **Lauren Buscemi (06)** for leading us toward another award-winning book. We survive nightmares about missed deadlines. We curse computers that frequently fail us. We pray for divine intervention. We compete for the opportunity to seek another quote from **Mr. Martino**. We travel to New York to learn more about journalism. We grumble when **Ms. Santella** orders us to make the 5th revision to our pages. We listen to another complaint about misspelled names. We giggle when **Ms. Santella** makes a hilarious comment. We celebrate when we earn another award from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. We eat chocolate and bagels every chance we get. We gather at Mongolian Barbecue to applaud each other for another job well. Truly, our work never ends.

- The Challenge Staff



Editors Mary Hesterman and Kadi Flagg



Paul Flores (06)



Becky Herrera (06)



De Anne Fitzner (06) and Daisy Salis (07)



Kiara Wolfe (09)

"I wanted to be on the Yearbook staff because I **thought** that it would be a great opportunity for me to **show** my creativity and to **contribute** to my fellow classmates before I **graduate**."

-Vicky Mounghounsavath (06)



Justine Eger (06)



Cassie Kleczewski (06)

.....quote.....report.....proof.....

BOSS

From the Book to the Big Apple, Editors Conquer All



Lauren



Danielle



Kayla



“These girls have served as the **driving** force behind the 2006 yearbook. They put their hearts and souls into each page and remembered that this book is a book that recalls the efforts of every West Chicago student. From the journalism lab to New York City, these girls remembered that **laughter solves** every problem and cures every ill. Often, editors are not recognized for their contributions to a publication, but these editors deserve to be. They are **impressive** young women who will change the **world**.”

-Ms. Santella



steal.....giggle.....edit.....

Inform

Chronicle Educates Students About Current Issues

Before every deadline, the Wildcat Chronicle staff members can be found in the Journalism Lab typing away on the computer, adding the last details to their stories. According to **Sabrina Potirala** (06), the Paw Prints Editor, it is impossible to describe what these students have done in a few words. However, dedication is a characteristic that describes every student involved in the paper. **Potirala** said, "We work so hard to make this paper what it is today. It really involves an effort from every individual in order to finish just one story."

These students write stories about current news, sports, entertainment, and other seasonal features. One topic covered by the Chronicle was featured in the second issue. **David Thomas** (07), the Entertainment Editor, reported about the block scheduling proposal, addressing the impact that it could have on the following school year. After speaking with a student about the new proposal, **Veronica Beth** (06) said, "Even though the new block scheduling does not affect me, I am still appalled by it. Honestly, if I did not read the *Wildcat Chronicle*, I probably would not have known about the (possibility)."

The Chronicle has won awards ranging from state and national recognition, to an individual award that was given to Editor-in-Chief **Kellie Virnich** (06) in November of 2005. With perseverance, commitment, and advisor **Ms. Kuehn** motivating these young journalists every step of the way, the Chronicle staff can tackle anything that comes their way.

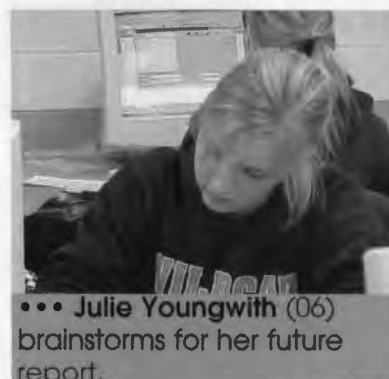
-Vicky Mounghounsavath



... **Katie Taylor** (07), runs an idea by **Kellie Virnich** (06) before her final submission.



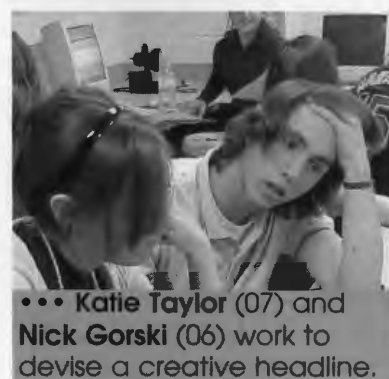
... **Terri Molo** (06) reviews her feature with a fellow classmate.



... **Julie Youngwith** (06) brainstorms for her future report.



... **Cristina Sarnelli** (07) continues to draw her next newspaper layout.



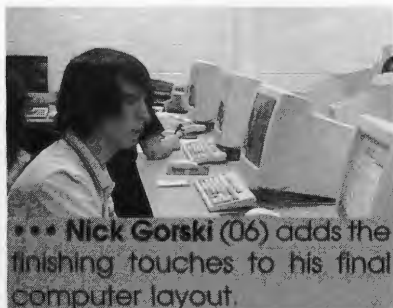
... **Katie Taylor** (07) and **Nick Gorski** (06) work to devise a creative headline.



... Editor-in-Chief **Kellie Virnich** (06) assigns stories for an approaching issue.

"It is important to provide the students and staff with information about the school and community."

-Kellie Virnich (06)



... **Nick Gorski** (06) adds the finishing touches to his final computer layout.



... **Dave Thomas** (07) proofs his story on the new block schedule.



... **Kayla Harris** (06) consults Editor-in-Chief **Kellie Virnich** (06).



... **Brittany Blanchard** (06) diligently works on her upcoming story.

...investigate.....write.....interview...

Update:

Wildcats Stay Connected Through Television



... **George Visser (06)** and **Mickey Petrusaitis (06)** review camera footage together.



... **Rob Hawco (06)** and **Marilyn Jacques (06)** laugh while editing their segment.



... **Sam Avalos (06)** and **Matt Wold (07)** pick music for their production.



... **Chris Prochnow (06)** works diligently as he completes his class work.



... **Marilyn Jacques (06)** reacts to the inability to spell her name correctly.



... **Geoff Wilson (07)** demonstrates his acting abilities for a commercial segment.

Every month at the beginning of third hour, students wait anxiously in front of the television, waiting for the new We-Go Through the Tube segment to air. However, as students continue to watch, they do not realize how much work it takes to produce one segment. Each year We-Go Through the Tube airs a total of ten shows featuring forty feature segments within each show. These Broadcast Communication students have only three weeks to put together each show, airing segments that range from news segments dealing with current news around West Chicago and around the World, to feature segments such as the Fall feature segment that celebrated the White Sox World Series win. In addition to brainstorming ideas, all students must take turns performing each role; jobs include story editor, camera person, and the on-air talent. A segment would not be complete without the help of every individual.

According to Senior **George Visser**, working on We-Go Through the Tube is a challenging endeavor. "It really takes time to produce one segment," said **Visser**. "We are constantly doing work inside and outside of class, from coming up with the segment idea, to interviewing students around the school. And as we are doing all of this, we still have to keep the segment interesting. But aside from all of the work, it pays off in the end when you see your segment being aired for the whole school to see."

-**Vicky Mounghounsavath**

"We-Go Through The Tube brings the news at West Chicago to life. We take reporting to another level."

-**Nate Sullivan (07)**



... **George Visser (06)** prepares to submit his work for the day.



... **Tyler Hicks (07)** and **Ryan Burlison (06)** brainstorm ideas for an upcoming segment.



... **Nate Sullivan (07)**, **Geoff Wilson (07)**, and **Kyle Suhr (08)** take a break from filming.



... **Mickey Petrusaitis (06)** discusses a feature idea to another classmate.

.....videotape.....air.....broadcast.....

Introduce

Peer Helpers Sacrifice Free Time to Help Others

Everyday, peer helpers visit **Mrs. MacDonald's** freshman study hall. On some days, these upperclassmen tutor freshmen for a geography test. Other times, they help freshmen complete their algebra homework. In any case, peer helps devote a significant amount of time to helping ninth graders have a positive experience.

Along with helping freshmen with homework, they also take time out to inform students about drugs, alcohol, and teen pregnancy. They present these topics in a group-like fashion taking students who would like to participate to a designated place to discuss such topics.

During November of 2005, the peer helpers took a field trip to the Illinois Drug Awareness Conference. The purpose of this trip was to better educate students on different ways to put the message of drugs out without the boring "drugs are bad" speech.

-Kim Norman



Lizzie Gola (09) receives help with Biology homework from Alex Mills (08) during third period study hall.



>> Helping One Another

Dianna Photopulos (06) assists **Alejandro Garcia** (09) and **Scott Hodges** (09) with Algebra homework.



>> Conducting Group

Leah Kuzmicz (07) and **Dianna Photopulos** (06) conduct group for participating freshmen.



>> Establishing Friendships

Kelly Tinnes (07) and **Jimmy Aramburu** (09) take a timeout from academics to have a laugh.

.....help.....cooperate.....mediate.....

Encourage.

We-Go Buddies Construct Unbreakable Bonds



••• We-Go buddies show off their artistic talents as they present their artwork.

Memorable experiences and relationships evolved from another successful year of the We-Go Buddies Club. **Valerie Cook** and **Dulce Vasquez**, the club's advisers, match up special needs students with students of all ages, genders and races in the school. The club's objective is to construct new student bonds and ensure that all students receive a valuable high school experience. The club, continuing in its fourth year, consists of 34 students.

Throughout the year, the club hosts activities including Frosty Fest, pot-luck and pizza parties, Field Day Event, and Guys and Girls Day. Each year the students look forward to partaking in cookie baking, painting a penguin and popcorn and a movie day. "We-Go Buddies is a great time. It is a place to be yourself and an opportunity to help each other in ways you would not even realize," said **Vasquez**.

-Marilyn Jacques



Paige Boudreau (07) and Mr. Petmezas



Mitchell Householder (09)



Samantha Cook and Mitchell Householder (09)



Mr. and Mrs. Bergmann

"Aside from making a ton of new **friends**, We-Go Buddies is a great way to get out and **help** the ones who need it the most."

-Tyler Dameron (06)



Brandon Meier (08), Jennifer Linsenmeyer (06), Tyler Dameron (06), and Jessica Bergmann (09)



Mr. Petmezas and Mrs. Cook



Ashley McNerney (09)



Joey Kenney (07) and Jenny Linsenmeyer (06)

.....welcome.....share.....beFriend.....

Work

After 27 Years, War Ends in Angola, and Students Raise \$10,000

Throughout the past few years, the school and community have provided students with the opportunity to experience life skills first hand and to understand life outside of high school.

The Community Leadership class explores what it means to be an effective citizen of the community. The students discovered the themes of responsibility, character, change, conflict and leadership. "Being involved with the Community Leadership class gives me volunteering hours and keeps me involved with the community," said **Christine Williams** (07). The first project that the class was assigned was the Freshman Activity Project. The goal was to encourage freshmen to be involved with sports, clubs and activities by a data survey, much like the Valentine's Day match-up. Upperclassmen from each sport, club or activity were asked to personally talk to freshmen and invite them back to the following season or year.

Another project followed, involving the entire school in raising \$10,000 to build a school in Angola. After a 27 year long civil war, a whole generation of people were without an education. In **Ms. Daneel's** 10th hour class, students brainstormed for the best way to raise money to help these individuals. The result included a Sumo-wrestling match between the teachers.

-Stephanie Hish



...**Mr. LaRue** crushes **Ms. Malinsky**. "I definitely took a sacrifice for We-Go to Africa, battling against **LaRue** who's 100 pounds heavier than me," said **Ms. Malinsky**.



Mrs. Fikis



Mr. Fantozzi



Ms. Jones



Mr. Kling



... "This was a successful year. We raised over \$1,500," says **Kayla Harris** (06) "Everyone had a lot of fun participating in the event."

"I really like seeing the students come **together** and make **decisions** that can change someone's life."

-**Ms. Daneels.**



... **Mr. Highland** takes first place after battling **Mr. Garcia**. "I took it easy on **Mr. Highland**; I had to let him win for the school's sake," said **Garcia**.

.....wrestle.....observe.....gain.....

Entertain

Students Put Together a Night of Fun and Prizes



With people pouring into the gym and the varsity basketball teams entering from each corner, the crowd stood during the Marketing Class' annual Midnight Madness, looking forward to what happened next. The audience cheered for the basketball teams while they scrimmaged with each other and took part in with the mini games and the Versus game show. The night was full of fun events involving the audience, faculty, and the basketball teams.

Twelve faculty members were involved in the traditional faculty basketball game. After the game, two of the top players had a chance to win up to \$50. Unfortunately **Mrs. Stieglitz** did not win, but **Mr. McLeland** took home the whole fifty dollars.

The night ended with a food fight resulting from the pie-eating contest. Afterwards, the crowd gathered around the basketball floor anxiously waiting as five students competed for the grand prize of the ATV. Lucky winner **Chris Prochnow (06)** was in shock after making the last basket to win the four-wheeler. "I could not believe that I won, I had to keep on reminding myself on the drive home that I now have a four-wheeler to ride," said **Prochnow**.

-Justine Egert

Sara Kufka (06), Mike Klein (07), Keri Mederich (07), Christine Williams (07), Natalie Russo (06), Stephanie Hish (07)



"The best result of the Midnight Madness project was the ability of the students to **learn** and **interact** within a group that has a common goal."

-Mr. French



.....market.....sell.....advertise.....

Misbehave

Students Join "The Breakfast Club" on Saturdays

What do Saturday mornings mean? For the average high school student, Saturday mornings mean a time to sleep. But for those who broke school rules in 2005, Saturday mornings took on a new meaning with the introduction of Saturday School. In response to teacher demands for a change in the discipline policy, the Administration instituted this time every Saturday morning for students to serve detentions.

According to **Mr. Chambers**, a dean and assistant principal, teachers wanted to create a middle ground, something that was in between detentions and suspensions, and Saturday School seemed to be the solution. "It's an example to give students the opportunity to make a positive out of a negative situation," said **Chambers**. Students don't want to get up on a Saturday morning to go back to school for a sixth day in a row, but they can turn that experience into a time to finish homework and learn from their mistakes.

On average, approximately twenty students reported each Saturday throughout the school year for infractions ranging from tardiness to truancy. With a large number of members of the Senior Class T.P.-ing the school early in the year, not even one Saturday went by without students spending this quality time in the building.

While most students dreaded the thought of Saturday School, one senior offered a different perspective. As the senior noted, "I, **Travis Saville**, am the coolest person for going down in history as the first person to receive a Saturday School detention."

-Kadi Flagg & Alicia Leonhardt



Nick Richards (06)



Willie Avalos (06)



Taylor Alperin (06)



•••The first Saturday School detentions result from an artistic evening of toilet papering.



•••It's not Emilio Estevez. It's a senior who served Saturday School.

"Don't do the **crime**, if you can't spend the **time**."

-Officer Theodore



Abraham Guzman (06)



Tracy Opel (06)

"I **hate** Saturday School. Therefore I'll be **in class** from now on."

-C.J. Lafleur (06)



Ray Jerz (06)



•••Travis Saville (06) chats with Mr. Highland and Mr. Chambers about receiving the first Saturday School of 2005.

.....rebel.....defy.....suspend.....

Imagine.

Cats Escape for Reading Every Thursday

Jason
Walz
(06)



Mr.
Bodwell



Maribel
Resendiz
(06)



For two years students and staff have looked forward to twenty-five minutes of quiet time every Thursday to indulge in their choice of reading material. Hoping to improve comprehension and vocabulary, teachers instituted a day to promote reading throughout the school. With so many distractions offered to students, teachers hope that this designated quiet time will encourage students to look upon reading not only as a way to relax and "get away," but also as a way to encourage knowledge and skills.

"Reading Day gives students an extraordinary opportunity to step up their creative potential to a new tier not yet seen by this school in ages. I strongly believe that only good things can come from this," said Senior **Nathan Oelslager**.

To enhance and motivate the "Reading for All Purposes," money was used from the student activities fund to decorate the halls with posters. Students submitted reviews online about the book of their choice telling why they liked it and why others should read it. The reviews were then put in a box and were randomly selected to be featured on the poster. Reading Day has certainly transformed the high school. In fact August of 2004, only 248 books were checked out of the school's library and in August of this year 2005 the number of books checked out increased to 942 books.

-Kadi Flagg and Alicia Leonhardt

WEGO CAR Cats Are Reading



Jessica Neihoff (06)

"Reading Day gives me not only a time to **relax**, but it lets me catch up with my **reading** for English class. I like Reading Day; it's a good idea and it's **beneficial** to the whole school."

-John Photopoulos (08)



Mr. Kellner

"I look **forward** to (Reading Day)... because it's **quiet** time that I don't have to worry about kids getting into trouble. That's the definition of pleasure reading, being able to **escape**."

- Mr. Chambers

Mr. Chambers



Jorge Carlos (06) and
Nathan Sullivan (07)

WILDCAT RAP Reading for All Purposes



.....peruse.....contemplate.....infer.....

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o
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.....join.....partake.....assign.....



As Wildcats...

We **gather** with other groups of students who have the same goals as we do.
 We **use** our talents and skills to **help** our community and our world.
 We do not **settle** with the standard of good work but **strive** for the best work.
 We **sink** our roots into other cultures.
 We **challenge** our minds to **work** in ways that they have not before.
 We **expose** ourselves to new ideas and opportunities.
 We **know** that we can **go** nowhere while **standing** still,
 but that we must, if not **charge, creep** ahead to the area of unknown.
 We **launch** our whole being into the work we **choose** to do.
 We **delight** in the company of other students with the same passions as us
 and **enjoy** the pleasure of a job well done.
 We **make** lifelong friends
 and **find** out the hard way that life does not **hand** us everything on a silver platter.
 We **know** that the activities we **do** will **strengthen** our minds, hearts and bodies.
 We **Fine-tune** our skills and **relax** as the fun **begins**.

...It's what we do.



critique.....Formulate.....envision.....

Inspire:

Volunteers Work Together to Make a Difference



... The Leadership planning team consisting of **Kellie Virnich** (06), **Martha Kaczmarczyk** (06), **Amy Axelrod** (06), and **Kelly Jezior** (06) helps out for the toy drive.

Community service plays a big role at Community High School, and the students in Key Club and Ambassadors contribute to this effort. Key Club Advisor **Mr. Rau** is very proud with the 40 members who prove that we can go outside the walls of our school and help the people in our community. Key Club held the blood drive this year as well as previous years, for students and faculty to donate their blood during school to help others. Key Club also sponsored a toy drive to donate to the Humanitarian Service Project in West Chicago. Key Club was able to donate over 300 items for kids around Christmas time.

Student Ambassadors, advised by **Mr. Martino**, are selectively chosen by their teachers. They represent the school at events such as open house and parent teacher conferences. "We are stationed at the doors or give tours to help parents and new students find their way around the school. We are a service organization, established to help," said **Amy Ackerman** (06).

-Justine Egert



... **Courtney Antczak** (07) helps **Katrina Means** (07) to her counselor at open house.



... Junior Ambassador **Ashley Conway** helps **Dustin Hon** (08)



... Students sign up for the 2006 blood drive to help Key Club.



... **Tracy Opel** (06) helps **Al Schneider** (06) to a classroom at open house.



... Senior Ambassador **Eric Lindner** (06) directs someone in need during open house.

"Having pizza parties is nice, but unless it is a pizza party **service** to **help** someone else out, we don't do it. We **try** to help our community as much as **possible**."

-Mr. Rau



... **Amy Axelrod** (06) encourages students to sign up for the annual blood drive during lunch hours.

.....donate.....contribute.....guide.....

Motivate:

Service Organizations Teach about Self-Respect



...Allison Rysell (07) and Jasmine Martinez (06) bond.



...Snowball participants enjoy a play put on by students.



...Mr. and Mrs. Chambers share a cup of coffee together.



...After cleaning up from an activity, students take a break.

Throughout the school year, students in SADD and Snowball demonstrate their commitment to helping the community and their peers. Both clubs have the power of positively influencing others and are focused on helping kids make the right choices.

Down to the last minute, the 2005 Snowball weekend never stopped with fun and exciting games, performances, team building activities, and leadership. "It went really well. The planning stage was really hectic, but everything came together so well in the end," said **Jenny Linsenmeyer (06)**.

SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) tries to create a safe environment for students, helping kids make the right decisions to improve their lives. These students spend their time placing posters up all around the school with statistics on drug and alcohol usage at the school. "I think the best part of this club is knowing that all of these students have so much motivation and dedication to help their peers make the right choice," said **Ms. Mallon**, one of the advisors.

-Justine Egert

"I honestly believe in the **power** of teens to make a difference in their schools and in their communities. Given the right **skills, information, and support**, they can **achieve** anything."

-Ms. Thielberg



...While eating lunch, students learn to respect each other.



...Students are astonished by the backdrop made for the play.



...Sisters Kim Wehr (06) and Kiara Wolfe (09) share a moment.



...Each group walks in a straight line in a team building game.



Left: SADD members show their pride during the Homecoming parade.

Right: Participants in Snowball are involved in team building activities during the second day of Snowball.



...prevent.....bond.....reward.....

Concentrate

Mental Agility Shows Through Strategic Moves

Mathletes need to know more than the Pythagorean Theorem. They need dedication, intelligence and a willingness to learn outside of school. Advisors **Mr. Hayes** and **Mrs. Mallon** possessed the same qualities of dedication and willingness to teach their students before school, meeting every Tuesday and Thursday to help them exercise their skills. "This year we had strong Freshman and Sophomore teams, and with their help we were able to go further than we did in previous years," said **Mr. Hayes**. Their success was made clear when the team went to regionals in February of 2006. The sophomore tag team of **Ian Letts** (08) and **David Musick** (08) came through and placed second along with the calculator team that consisted of five players who also placed second. Even though they did not make it to state, these students did their best and finished with pride.

-Kadi Flagg



... "This year's team is young and has wonderful personalities. I hope that with their talents and work ethic they will finish next year's season much stronger," says **Mrs. Mallon**



Kara Wolfe (08)



Tu Le (06) and Dustin Hedmark (06)



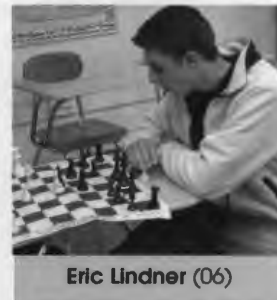
Anna Lane (09)



Jim Burke (06)



Drew Bowker (09)



Eric Lindner (06)

Checking their way through the 2005-2006 season Chess Club practiced every week with their Coach **Mr. Spilner** while three seniors took the positions as teachers to many of the new freshman players. Senior Captain **Jim Burke** stood out as a role model to his young brother **Bill Burke** (09). "I'm proud of my brother for his accomplishments and being Captain and hope that one day I can take his place," said **Bill Burke** (09). Seniors **Eric Lindner** and **Tony McDaniel** placed 4th and 5th in the DVC and are proud of the progress they have seen each other make through the years. "Tony and I have played chess together for about 12 years, so it was cool to end our careers together (successfully)," said **Lindner**. With reassurance that there would be solid years

ahead for Chess Club, the seniors moved on leaving knowledge and wisdom behind for the new players that will help them make moves to more successful years to come.

-Kadi Flagg



... "Since I am a captain, I feel that it is my duty to practice with the Freshmen. Working with them will show them leadership that they can pass on to newcomers when they take our places," says **Jim Burke** (06).

....strategize....brainstorm....calculate

Capture :

With Cameras and Flowers, Artists Cultivate their Creativity

Members of Horticulture Club put their green thumbs into action throughout 2005 and 2006. The Club met every month and focused on more than plants. They kept Commons updated with the seasons by decorating it for all the holidays. They filled Commons with leaves for fall, a Christmas tree for Christmas, and hearts and love for Valentine's Day.

President **Rosalinda Delgado** (07) said that it was one of the most important parts of advertising the club. "Decorating the cafeteria for the seasons was hard work with only a few people helping, but we wanted to be noticed as a club, and that we did a lot more than taking care of plants," said **Delgado**. Advisors **Ms. Stieglitz** and **Mrs. Rubino** shared responsibilities, and **Stieglitz** said they were proud of everything they accomplished. According to **Stieglitz**, the club finished first in window painting, and constructed a beautiful float for Homecoming that planted the seeds for a rewarding year.



Teresa Rubio (08)



Hearts fill Commons with love on Valentine's Day.



Ms. Stieglitz and Maria Munoz (06)



Ismail Hassan (06)



Ian McKoy (07)



Anjelica Koelsch (07)

Photo Club worked hard to capture images in 2005-2006 that would last a lifetime. Meeting Tuesdays after school, anyone was welcome, whether members were there to develop their film or to grow in their creativity and become more passionate about photography. What is so intriguing about Photography? President **Ismail Hassan** (06) had the answer. "Compared to other clubs, Photo Club is very laid back. There is no high pressure and you don't experience the same thing each meeting. There are no limits or restrictions when you have the camera," said **Hassan**. To raise money for the club, members became involved in Frosty Fest and took pictures with kids and helped them turn those photos into ornaments. They also worked the concession stand at basketball games to raise

money to buy supplies. These ambitious photographers were not just caught snapping pictures around We-Go; they made their way to Chicago to observe photography exhibits and take pictures of their own.

-Kadi Flagg

-Kadi Flagg



... Horticulture Club

First Row: Sofia Correa, Noemi Delgado. Second Row: Jose Correa, Jessica Fernandez, Guadalupe Correa. Third Row: Rosalinda Delgado, Mrs. Rubino, Maria Munoz, Ms. Stieglitz, Yurety Garcia.



... Photo Club

First Row: Anjelica Koelsch, Ismail Hassan, Ian McKoy. Second Row: Mr. Conroy, Jamie Roman, Monika Parker, Raquel Brummel.

.....plant.....dedicate.....snap.....

Translate

Artists Sculpt, Shape and Decorate The Walls of We-Go

Throughout the school year, members of Art Club explore the many meanings of art. This club finds ways to incorporate art into their activities, whether it involves learning about cultures through exposure to art, or working together to create art.

However in 2006, Art Club went beyond creating art itself, taking part in various humanitarian and public service projects. The forty active members of Art Club donated money to "Bridge Communities, Inc" and PADS of DuPage County to assist with projects that affect the homeless. "Our goal is not only to bring more artwork into the school: posters, signs, murals, and individual work. Promoting school activities such as humanitarian efforts, sports, Homecoming, concerts, dances, etc. is also part of our mission," said Advisor **Mr. Exner**.

These members devoted their time every Thursday after school, to take part in projects to help keep the Wildcat spirit alive around our school. All year round they created individual projects ranging from drawings, paintings, posters, macrame, cartooning, and more. In addition to the individual projects, students participated in group projects as well. These projects involved creating large banners and signs for school activities such as Fall Funfest, Frosty Fest, and the Spring Art Show.

Without the hard work of these Art Club members and the guidance of **Exner**, the walls of We-Go would not be as lively as they are today.

-Vicky Mounghounsavath

"Taking art field trips is a way for students to expand their artistic vision, seeing things that they would otherwise miss."

-Mr. Exner



... **Mr. Exner** sketches out the PSAE poster to help encourage Juniors to strive for excellence.

"Joining Art Club helped me gain a better understand of art, making my pieces more meaningful."

-Nicholas Schultz (07)



... **Mr. Exner** helps **Bianca Speer** (07) perfect her ideas for the upcoming project.



... **Katarzyna Grabiec** (09) works on her clay puppet, hoping to display it for the following school year.

"Art Club goes beyond art itself. It allows me to express my inner thoughts through my work."

-Michelle Delvalle (06)



... **Sarah Brugoto** (06) concentrates on what she hopes to be her best drawing of the year.

.....craft.....conjugate.....sketch.....

Announce

Strong Voices Deserve an Honorable Mention

The 2005-2006 Forensics Team let their voices do all the work, showing that they were just as competitive as any other sport, placing 4th in conference. With a team consisting of about 20 members, all their hard work paid off by winning the Huntley Tournament and sending two players, **Elizabeth Daniels** (07), and **Rachel Hellman** (07), to sectionals. They couldn't have succeeded without the help of coaches **Mr. Kling**, **Mr. Kellner**, and **Mrs. Haas**. **Kristin Klouda** (07), **Rachel Hellman** (07), **Whitney Pugh** (07), **Alexis Scott** (07), and **Abigael Sherby** (07), made it to the All-Conference team. Along with those five players, **Ivanna Ortiz** (08), and **Matthew Reinhardt** (08) also contributed to the team. Even though this year was a young team, they didn't let it bother their performances. "Last year after all the seniors graduated, we were left with not many new seniors and a very young team, but the sophomores and juniors really stepped up to make for a successful team," said Coach **Mr. Kling**.

-Mary Hesterman



First Row: Kimberly Wehr (06), Kristin Klouda (07), Abigael Sherby (07). **Second Row:** Elizabeth Daniels (07), Rachel Hellman (07), Matthew Reinhardt (08). **Third Row:** Mr. Kellner, Mr. Kling, Mrs. Haas.



Abigael Sherby (07)



Kristin Klouda (07) and Rachel Hellman (07)



Kimberly Wehr (06)



Krista Kraus (08) and Megan Carnes (08)



Kevin Carrington (07)



Amanda Rousar (06)

¡Felicidades! Félicitations! Herzlichen Glückwunsch! To be a member of the Foreign Language National Honor Society, a student needs to know more than how to say "Congratulations" in Spanish, French, and German. That student needs to demonstrate academic success as well as a love of culture and a desire to learn. After receiving more A's than B's in their foreign language classes and having at least a GPA of 3.5, students are honored with induction into the FLNHS. Students show their appreciation for their language at a ceremony, where they recite a pledge in the language they study. The 2006 ceremony took place in March, with 60 new students inducted, making a total of 200 students in FLNHS. "Foreign Language National Honor Society is... strictly academically focused. It has more to do with the students' love of the language," said Advisor **Ms. Junkroski**, who along with **Mrs. Appel** and **Mrs. Strohm**, advise FLNHS.

-Mary Hesterman



Waiting in line, **Scott Staiton** (07), **Doug Selby** (08), and **Ryan Scheck** (08) prepare to recite a pledge in Spanish.

Energize

Cheerleaders Pep Up Fans in Hope for Victory

Brightening the crowd with new cheers created by the captains **Krissy Zieche** (06), **Kari Johnson** (06), and **Ashley Portretow** (06), the cheerleaders engaged the crowd more than ever before. Many obstacles stood in the way for the cheerleaders. In the beginning of the season the biggest worry involved finding a coach. **Mrs. Sanzeri** and **Mrs. Rohrdanz** became the new cheerleading coaches for the 2005-2006 season. "This year the cheerleaders are performing college level stunts, and have improved so much," said **Coach Sanzeri**. The cheerleaders felt fortunate to have them as coaches. "Both of them are very strong individuals who have made big improvements to each squad," said **Sam Nolte** (08).

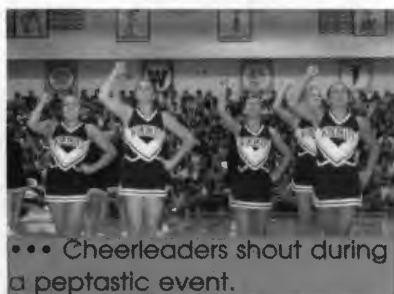
New leaders brought enthusiasm to the girls, motivating them to strive for better goals. Some accomplishments included higher places at competitions, better routines, and more difficult stunts. "We have improved so much over the season, I am glad that we are able to prove to the fans that we are athletes and not just a normal after school activity," said **Portretow**.

This group of cheerleaders not only defines school spirit, but also team unity. No matter what the scoreboard read these girls constantly motivated teams to succeed.

-Brittney Peters



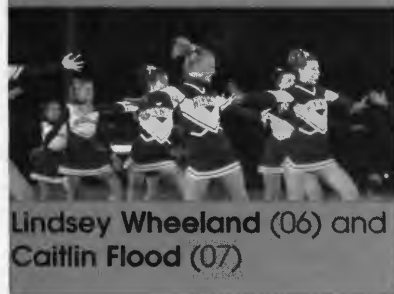
... The new mount. The Buscemi Post, has been a struggle to hold. Yet the Varsity cheerleaders pulled the stunt off at the 2005 Midnight Madness.



... Cheerleaders shout during a peptastic event.



... Homecoming spirit is spread down Main Street.



Lindsey Wheeland (06) and **Caitlin Flood** (07)



... The lib, a certain type of mount, is one of the hardest to execute. But, the varsity cheerleaders practiced extensively, so that each mount group could hold one. During the season the varsity squad had four solid libs.



... Caitlin Flood (07), Emily Rawls (08), and Kelle Driscoll



... Jori Rawski (07) looks at her friends while still cheering.



... **Krissy Zieche** (06), **Kelle Driscoll** (08), **Lindsey Wheeland** (06), and **Lauren Buscemi**

.....ignite.....shout.....excite.....

Shimmer.

Poms Prove They Don't Have Two Left Feet



... Becca Mueller (07), Tiffany Kirschke (07) and Katy Rohrback (07) dance to *Be Our Guest* at the Homecoming game.

At every home football and basketball game, We-Go fans can see the high kicks, big smiles, and sparkle of the blue and silver pom poms as they watch fourteen Poms girls dance. During each game, the girls perform new, creative routines, which they have choreographed themselves, to impress the crowd, raise spirits, and motivate athletes.

Unlike most sports, Poms have no "off-season." In the summer as well as the school year, the girls prepare new dances and practice their skills for their performances on Tuesday and Friday nights. In the summer of 2005, the girls attended their annual Badgerette Camp where all of their hard work paid off when they took home first place on their routines as well as individual awards consisting of trips to New York and Florida. Like previous years, they were also awarded the Sunshine Award for their positive attitudes and great team spirit.

Between games and practices, the girls also keep busy by competing in local competitions. In October the girls competed at Great America taking 5th out of fourteen other squads, and in February they competed for state. In the DVC, our Poms are known for their great dance ability, traditional kick lines, and entertaining use of pom poms. Here at We-Go, we also recognize these girls for their unique talents as well as their numerous contributions to our school.

-Jenna Bedard



Megan Jones (06), Ashley Richards (07)



... Seniors Megan Jones, Jenna Bedard, Maria Espinoza and Samantha Lawson perform a kickline at the Homecoming football game to the Homecoming theme Disney's Cinderella.



Maria Espinoza (06)



Lauren Desik (08)



Heather Busch (08), Tiffany Lorenzi (07)



Sarah Pierpoint (08), Jenna Bedard (06), Tiffany Kirschke (07)



Mary Pat Flanagan (07)

"Our **crazy** schedules and stressful practices are all worth it when we can look back at the **laughs** and good times we've had together. These girls aren't just our fourteen close friends; they're our **family**."

-Becca Mueller (07)

.....shake.....impress.....smile.....

Applaud

FBLA Showcases a Night Filled With Student Talent

As audience members rose to their feet promoting the encore of the Nerds, **Steve Migliorato** (06) and **Eric Lauer** (06), the FBLA staff knew that their annual night of talent was a hit! Students watched as **Tracy Opel** (06) danced to "Lose Control," laughed at **Dave Taylor** (06), **Tyler Dameron** (06), and **Miles Lincoln's** (06) comedic performance, and listened to the talents of **Carl Johnson** (06) playing his own song on the guitar. With two shows running on Friday, October 28th, participants were finally able to showcase their abilities that impressed the judges in the late September try-outs. Teachers even joined in on the night by showing off their singing and musical abilities with guitars and bongos. A highlight of the night included a performance by the band The Revolution, featuring **Quin Barclay** (06), **Brian Brewster** (06), **Derek Soutar** (07), and **Jim Foreman** (07). The Revolution played two Jimi Hendrix songs, "Cross Town Traffic" and "Fire." "The band The Revolution was great; I don't think that we've had a band that great in quite a while," said Wirth, FBLA, advisor. "They, as well as all of the other participants, made this out to be what I think was one of the best shows in my past six years as advisor."

-Jenna Bedard and Kiara Wolfe

... **Angelina Panozzo** (06) sings a song from the musical *Les Miserables* while accompanied by pianist **Amy Smolucha** (07).



Steve Migliorato (06) Eric Lauer (06)



Carl Johnson (06)

"The coolest part of the Variety Show was when the audience pulled out their cell phones during my act and began waving them like lighters; that made my night!"

-Alex Breining (06)



Tracy Opel (06)



Ms. Dulkyns, Mr. Kling, Ms. Jones, Mr. Bardey

.....lip-sync.....grin.....astound.....



••• **Dave Taylor (06), Miles Lincoln (06) and Tyler Dameron (06)** play detectives and murderers as they try to solve a murder mystery with a comedic twist. They impress the crowd by not speaking, but letting their actions say it all.

ACT 1

Detective of Seville

**Dave Taylor
Tyler Dameron
Miles Lincoln**

An Amalgamation...

Ryan Burlison

Les Miserables

**Amy Smolucha
Angelina Panozzo**

Turn the Page

Alex Breining

The Revolution

**Quin Barclay
Brian Brewster
Derek Soutar
Jim Foreman**

ACT 2

Stranger in My House

Alesandria Hill

Guitar

Carl Johnson

Some Songs

**Mrs. Dulkyns
Mr. Kling
Ms. Jones
Mr. Bardey**

Life

**Amanda Bass
Rachel Bass**

For Good

**Erin Silk
Sara Duran**

Lose Control?

Tracy Opel

Revenge of the Nerds

**Eric Lauer
Steve Migliorato**

Sara Duran (06)



Brian Brewster (06)



“The Variety Show is something I have looked forward to each year. I love getting a chance to play on stage in front of all my friends. This year I showed off my skills by busting out a solo on my guitar with my teeth.”

-Quin Barclay (06)

Derek Soutar (07)



Amanda Bass (06)



.....laugh.....amuse.....surprise.....

March

Pirates of the Band Capture all the Right Notes

"Together! Stomach in, chest out, eyes with pride, eyes with pride!" With this chant, the Marching Band congratulated each other after every march. Following the theme of "The Pirates of the Caribbean," the band showed the audience their camaraderie and talent.

The band dealt with a change involving the formation of two individual bands, one of which involves the underclassmen and the other upperclassmen. The change is intended to grant the underclassmen more practicing time to strengthen their experience.

The band members showed great effort on all occasions, be at practice, during Friday night football games, or parades at Disney World. "The band did a fantastic job, the sound improved and blended. They showed great musicianship and I am very proud of them," said Band Director **Mr. Govertsen**.

Assisting **Mr. Govertsen** were drum majors **Bethany Inch** (06), **Dustin Westrom** (06) and **Brad Rathe** (07). The trio showed tremendous dedication to ensure successful performances and assist their fellow musicians.

-Daisy Sallis and Katie Kostel



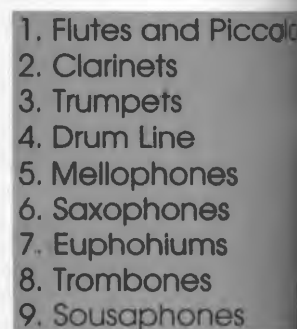
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5.



1. Flutes and Piccolos
2. Clarinets
3. Trumpets
4. Drum Line
5. Mellophones
6. Saxophones
7. Euphohiums
8. Trombones
9. Sousaphones



••• Drum Majors **Dustin Westrom** (06), **Brad Rathe** (06), and **Bethany Inch** (06) stand at attention.



6.



8.



.....prepare.....conduct.....improve.



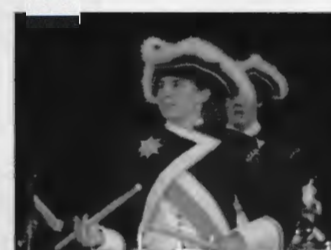
••• **Miguel Padilla** (09) shows the band to the track to begin the half-time show, Pirates of the Caribbean.



David Hiltner (09)



Bonnie Coats (08)



Amy Smolucha (07)



Kevin Rosenquist (07)



Seth Kelley (08)



Snare Drums



••• **Coralyn Kutzner** (09) with a serious look on her face drums on.



••• Drum Major **Bethany Inch** (06) leads the band to half time show.

.....collaborate.....drum.....assemble.....

Synchronize

Practice and Perfection Lead Color Guard Members to Success

Despite anxiety and a desire for perfection, members of the Color Guard united every Friday at home football games. With synchronized moves and hand-made flags, the group of ten young women entertained the crowd and offered a visual interpretation of the band's music. The band and guard members followed a theme of an award-winning movie, "The Pirates of the Caribbean."

"Having the Color Guard, really brings together the whole performance. The band and guards unite and perform an outstanding performance on Friday nights to show off their hard work and talented abilities," said **Mr. Govertsen**. "They had fun working together to reenact many of the movie's scenes and songs."

The girls practiced throughout the summer and on Mondays after school to synchronize their routines with the band's performance. Captain **Jenny Linsenmeyer** (06) said, "We had to work really hard this year because of the fact we had so many new faces and only a few returning girls." And that they did; every performance was a success.

-Stephanie Hish



...Caitlin Murphy (07) twirls her hand-made flag during the half time performance against WWS.



...Color Guard members show their festivity during the Homecoming Game. Re-enacting a scene, **Caitlin Murphy** (07) rides her pirate ship across the field.

...Getting ready to perform, **Jenny Linsenmeyer** (06) stands in perfect form, ready to walk on the field.



...Senior **Lora Vodicka** enjoys performing in front of the crowd at her last home football game.



...**Janette Leveille** (06) takes charge as **Alana Koontz** (07) surrenders and falls to the ground.



"We are like the icing on the cake; we bring together the half time performance."

-Caitlin Murphy (07)

.....wave.....

unite.....

twirl.....

Artists Showcase True Talent with "Mind's Eye"



By: Kyle Wiersbe (06)

Starting about nine years ago with two students and the name "A Separate Piece," the literary magazine has grown to fifteen students and is now called "Mind's Eye Literary Magazine." Every year students join this club to let their creativity shine with poems, drawings and photography. Principal **Mr. Highland** said, "It's a great opportunity for the student body to express their many talents in written form. I continue to be extremely impressed with the quality of this product."

English Teacher **Mrs. Cobbett** helps the students with encouragement and support. Many students loved being in the magazine so much that they come back for more. **Kyle Wiersbe** showed his dedication to the magazine by making the cover of the 2006 issue.

-Katie Kostel



By: Angie Diaz (07)

"Mind's Eye is a showcase of free **expression**.

We have been selected as an above average literary magazine by the NCTE literary magazine competition in the past, and we look forward to being chosen again as one of the top literary magazines in the nation."

-Mrs. Cobbett



By: Lauran Hon (09)



By: Cristina Sarnelli (07)



By: Patricia Medina (08)

.....revise.....illustrate.....publish.....

Rehearse

Practice and Humor Make "The Nerd" a Success

On three consecutive nights in November, the auditorium filled with more than 450 students, teachers, parents, and friends who gathered to watch the fall play, "The Nerd." This play takes place after the Vietnam War and focuses on a nerd, Rick Steadman, who visits an old friend, Willum Cubbert. While Rick makes himself at home with Willum, he fails to realize the entire time Willum tries to get rid of him. Filled with hysterical one-liners and dramatic irony, this comedy offered no dull moments.

Director **Ms. Hafertepe**, along with Student Director **Paige Kulie** (07), worked hard with the cast to put together the play in six weeks. Practicing every day after school, the cast recited their lines over and over, practiced their positioning on stage, and communicated with each other to make sure everything fell in place. 'The Nerd' included only seven cast members. "They all knew they all had to work together to make the finished play go well. "There were times when they frustrated each other, but that's all part of working as a team and getting everything together to put on an outstanding play," said **Ms. Hafertepe**.

-Mary Hesterman



Rachelle Henning (07) and Dave Thomas (07)



Carissa Gerber (07) and Lucas Valdez (07)

"My favorite part of the play was the apple core scene because my **character** didn't catch on to what the other characters were **trying** to do. It was hilarious."

-Dan Visser (06)



Rachelle Henning (07) and David Taylor (06)



Mike Dalton

Smiling mischievously, **Mike Dalton** (08) holds on to his beverage like it is his best friend.



Carissa Gerber

Trying to calm herself down from all the chaos, **Carissa Gerber** (07) sits aside from the rest of the cast.



Dave Thomas

Dave Thomas (07) storms into Willum's home, furious that a bowl of cottage cheese has been dumped on him.

worry.....produce.....complete.....



David Taylor

In pain because there is a pencil in his hand, **David Taylor (06)** calls the hospital.



Dan Visser

Dan Visser (06) thinks he is performing a ritual, but he is actually being fooled by the rest of the cast.



Rachelle Henning

Rachelle Henning (07) shares macaroni salad with the rest of the guests at the party she hosts.

“It was a smaller cast so we really had the **opportunity** to work closer together. It made for a slap-stick like comedy.”

-**David Taylor (06)**

The cast shows their affection towards **Dan Visser (06)** during one last photo together.



The Cast:

Willum Cubbert-
David Taylor
Tansy McGinnis-
Rachelle Henning
Axel Hammond-
Mike Dalton
Warnock Waldgrave-
Dave Thomas
Clelia Waldgrave-
Carissa Gerber
Thor Waldgrave-
Lucas Valdez
Rick Steadman-
Dan Visser

Rachelle Henning (07), David Taylor (06), and Mike Dalton (08) try to scare off **Dan Visser (06)** with the apple core game.



David Taylor (06) and Mike Dalton (08)



Lucas Valdez (09)

act.....present.....dramatize.....

Build

Students Work Toward the Careers of their Dreams

Finding a future that fits means the most to Skills USA. Whether in Child Development, Clothing, or Mechanical Drawing, these students all have one trait in common; they know what they want for the future. In 2006, the 29 Skills USA members had a chance to compete in various vocational contests with other schools across the state. **Mrs. Kozlowski** and **Mr. Junkroski** played an active role in making sure the students tried their best and excelled in any way they could. Activities range from working on a lesson plan for children in preschool to sewing outfits for a fashion show.

Skills USA members held events to help pay for their qualification tests and the trip to Springfield for the state conference. Skills USA earned money through concessions during football games, helped with Market Day, and held a food drive collecting 2,225 food items. Nine of the students attended to a two-day conference on April 28th and 29th. They competed in activities ranging from drafting and interior design to speech and sewing. The opportunity gave every person who participated the opportunity to see if this career is what he or she wanted for the future.

-Cassie Kleczewski



...SKILLS USA

FIRST ROW: Deb Sosnowski, Nailya Panchal, Jenn Bodie, Dave Musick. **SECOND ROW:** Katie Norton, Matthew Ziffra, Bill Burke. **THIRD ROW:** Dave Clark, Robyn Waldschmidt, Heather Knoll, Kym McDaniels. **FOURTH ROW:** Kyle Marcrum, Andrew Wirtz, George Fortman, Paul Junkroski.



... **Dave Musick** (08) is recognized for making 3D engineered drawings of machine parts.

“The **best** part of being involved with Skills USA is I get to participate and **encourage** a variety of students who enjoy working and **helping** others as much as I do.”

-Mrs. Kozlowski



... For commercial sewing, **Tania Walz** (09) wins fourth and **Robyn Waldschmidt** (07) wins state.



... On Prom weekend, only nine of the twenty nine students travel to Springfield for the competition.



... **Bill Burke** (09) uses skills in the food and beverage competition to receive third place honors.

.....design.....sew.....measure.....

Invest

FBLA Members Prepare for Successful Futures



•••Christopher Jelen (06), Elena Suarez (06), Steven Skrzypczynski (07), Amy Axelrod (06), Kevin Michaelson (07), Anne Caputo (07), Joseph Majchrowski (07).



•••Amy Axelrod (06), Janette Leveille (06), Joseph Majchrowski (07), Anne Caputo (07), Ms. Blume, Ashley Conway (07).

•••FBLA energetically offers their school spirit for those participating in the Homecoming week parade.



•••Joseph Majchrowski (07) and Amy Axelrod (06) encourage 8th graders to join the club.

Lookout Wall Street, here come the members of FBLA. Since 1978, Future Business Leaders of America has provided students with a chance to advance their business skills by offering the opportunity to prepare for their desired future careers. Adviser **Miss Blume** works throughout the year to ensure a solid performance by the participants in the leadership conferences. "A cherished aspect for me is the yearly National Leadership Conference that brings my FBLA friends together on a personal level and provides us with the opportunity to take a week trip to various places around America," said Chapter President **Amy Axelrod (06)**.

Among the many accomplishments of FBLA, the club established a partnership with West Chicago Chamber of Commerce and dedicated much time to raising money for different organizations including the March of Dimes Foundation.

In 2006, seventeen members were recognized for placing in the top ten at the Northern Area Conference. In addition, five other individuals **Amy Axelrod (06)**, **Elena Suarez (06)**, **Daniel Amos (07)**, **Joseph Majchrowski (07)** and **Steven Skrzypczynski (07)** were awarded first place regional champions.

-Marilyn Jacques

"FBLA prepares us for the demanding and competitive world that lies ahead of us."

-Christopher Jelen (06)

•••Sitting pretty at the state conference are Juniors **Joseph Majchrowski**, **Steven Skrzypczynski**, **Kenneth Klein** and **Kevin Michaelson**.



•••FBLA members from all areas bond and participate in games at the Leadership Conference.

.....pursue.....risk.....represent....

Interpret

A Stormy Night Creates a Sense of Comedy

With a mixture of suspense and comedy, the winter play, "It Was a Dark and Stormy Night," attracted more than 250 viewers for a thriller that kept them at the edges of their seats. "The audience liked the play more than I expected. I thought the play was a little cheesy, but people laughed," said **Dan Dyrda** (06).

For the six weeks leading up to the performance days, the 14 cast members practiced every day for 2 to 3 hours. Ranging from freshmen to seniors, from first timers to experienced actors and actresses, it created a great amount of diversity between the members. "The performances went as great as they did because there was not one day where someone messed up significantly, like forgetting a major line. Everyone stayed consistent," said **Mr. Manimbo**, the assistant director.

The winter play takes place in modern time with the Saltmarsh family owning an inn, believing they are currently living in the Revolutionary times. One family member, Ebenezer Saltmarsh, played by **Steve Migliorato** (06), goes crazy when storms come. After the storm blows by, Ebenezer does not remember anything that happens and returns to his normal state of mind. But, while the storm continues on, guests are stuck there to witness the entire situation, left in confusion.

-Mary Hesterman



Carissa Gerber (07) and Rachelle Henning (07)

"In the play, the Saltmarsh family acted completely **bizarre** together. It made for a very **original** stormy night."

-Sara Earhart (06)



Paige Kulie (07) and Dave Taylor (06)



Steve Migliorato (06) and Dan Dyrda (06)



Dan Dyrda

Hoping that the bottles aren't empty, **Dan Dyrda** (06) looks for something to drink.



Rachelle Henning

Rachelle Henning (07) takes care of her dead relative from the Revolutionary War.



Kim Wanous

With no fire, **Kim Wanous** (07) shivers from previously being drenched outside in the rain.

.....audition.....bow.....annunciate.....



**Lora
Vodicka**

Being
disguised as
a beauty
products
sales-
woman,
**Lora
Vodicka** (06)
gazes at
her hair
products.



**Steve
Migliorato**

The crowd
surrounding
**Steve
Migliorato**
(06) tries to
keep him
under
control.



**Whitney
Pugh**

**Whitney
Pugh** (07)
complains
about the
dirtiness of
the inn and
is not
thrilled to
be there.

“The
performances
were a
success
because we
all really
cared and
wanted
to put on a
good show.”

-**Steve Migliorato** (06)



Dan Visser (06) and **Dan Dyrda** (06)

“The best
part about the
play is
meeting new
people and
getting closer
to the cast.
Even after the
play is over,
the **friendships**
are still there.”

-**Carissa Gerber** (07)



Paige Kulie (07), **Mary Liz Showalter** (08), **Lora Vodicka** (06), and
Whitney Pugh (07)



Stacie Cain (09) and **Dave
Taylor** (06)



Dan Visser (06) and **Mary
Liz Showalter** (08)

....impersonate.....demand.....pretend....

Harmonize

Choir Soothes the Mind With Beautiful Sounds

Singing out to students and parents, Choir was the voice that crooned through the ears of Wildcats. Some of their songs included "Gather Ye Rosebuds," "Americana," and "Bridge Over Troubled Waters."

The choir would not have sung their hearts out if they did not have **Mr. Fantozzi**, who has been teaching the choir for four years. "I had a great experience during my high school choir, and I wanted to give that passion back to students," said **Mr. Fantozzi**. **Mr. Fantozzi** wanted the choir to strive for new experiences outside the classroom, and in 2006 the choir traveled to Disney World.

Some students were inspired by **Mr. Fantozzi** and wanted to become more involved with choir. These students decided to join chamber choir, for which students must audition. The leaders of concert choir included President **Jazmine Martinez** (06), Vice President **Erin Silk** (06), and Secretary **Megan Jones** (06). "Choir is not only about music. It taught me confidence and discipline," said **Silk**.

-**Brittney Peters**



... The Women's Choral harmonizes as they sing "Bridge Over Troubled Waters."



... The ladies work hard to memorize "Salvation is Created."



... Susan Nowicki (08) sings her solo during "Deed I Do."

"Choir introduced me to a **diverse** group of people, who all come together to enjoy the **wonders** of singing."

-**Kamrey Rohrdanz** (08)



... The men sing "Carol of the Bells" during the holiday concert.



... Mr. Fantozzi introduces his students before exploring the wonders of music.

.....croon.....vocalize.....hum.....

String:

Orchestra Amazes Many with the Sweep of a Bow



... During one of four concerts, the violinists prepare and take a deep breath, before playing the song "Victory at Sea" by Richard Rogers.

Music is a part of everyday life. To the students in Orchestra, it is not only part of their lives, but it is embedded in their hearts. And, in 2006, orchestra was not an ordinary class; it was a mixture of song and instrument. According to Orchestra Teacher **Mr. Govertsen**, "The students in Orchestra are motivated individuals who work hard at everything and know how to have fun."

Orchestra members practiced everyday to prepare for their performances, and they had an opportunity to travel to Disney World. "Disney World made Orchestra so interesting, even the bus ride there," said **Stephanie Fester** (07). Disney was not the only opportunity Orchestra members had to perform. Orchestra was also involved in four concerts and played at Commencement, and the string quartet played during the fashion show.

Thirty-one individuals showed their musical talents by playing instruments including the viola and violin. "There is no key member in Orchestra. Everyone makes an impact on how each song is played," said **Mr. Govertsen**.

-**Brittney Peters** (06)



Sara Fouts (08)

"Each person expresses their **individuality** through music, but we come **together** because of the fun we have."

-**Danielle Salazar** (06)



Michelle Delvalle (06)



Iora Vodicka (06) and Rachel Hellman (07)



Isabel Correa (09), Rachel Tschetter (08), and Marisa Choate (08)

...accompany.....compose.....accentuate.....

Perform

The Beat Goes On to Impress the Audience

Dance: is it in you? The dance came through all the performers at the 2006 Dance Production performances as they wowed crowds with their creativity. With 30 different girls, all having a different style, the show created an atmosphere of variety. The dancers worked with each other throughout first semester during 10th hour and after school to put on a show that entertained the audience. The dancers themselves did most of the work. They picked their own songs, choreographed their own dances, chose outfits they wanted to wear, and picked the lighting for the performances. But, the show couldn't have been the success it was without the help of **Mrs. Zmrhal**, the director. "**Mrs. Zmrhal** really knows what she is doing. She's been doing it for a long time and organizes the show very well. Throughout the semester she was always there to offer good constructive criticism to help improve our dances," said **Michelle Heron** (06). During the two hour and a half performances, the dancers kept the attention of the audience with their skills and talent. There were songs to please all ages, varying from "The Beat Goes On," a mix of oldies featuring The Beach Boys, The Supremes, and Cher to "100 Years," by Five For Fighting, to "Pump It," by the Black-Eyed Peas.

-Mary Hesterman



Melissa Molskow (08)



Ashley Conway (07)



Emily Rawls (08) and
Chelsea Steck (08)



Abbey Mastroianni (09), Lora Vodicka
(06), and Taylor Molitor (07)



Sarah Pierpoint (08)



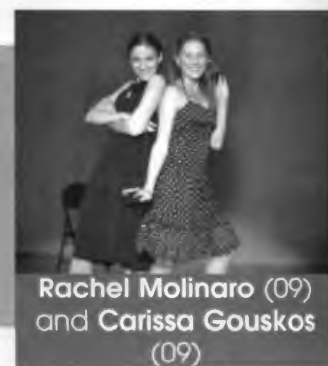
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and Carissa Gouskos
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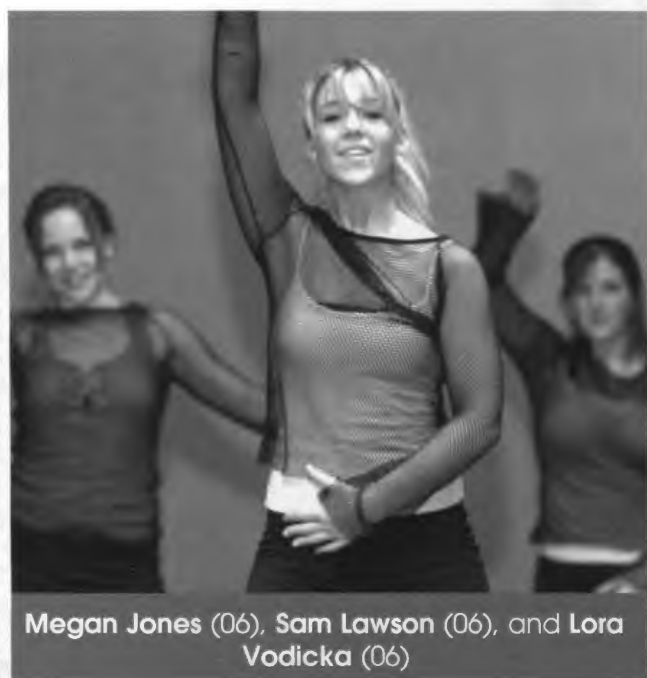
.....jive.....groove.....choreograph.....



Maria Espinoza (06)



Lauren Desik (08)



Megan Jones (06), Sam Lawson (06), and Lora Vodicka (06)



Tiffany Lorenzi (07)



Maria Espinoza (06), Abbey Mastroianni (09), Lora Vodicka (06), and Taylor Molitor (07)



Adi Huerta (08)



Tiffany Kirschke (07)



MaryPat Flanagan (07)



Julie Youngwith (06)



Jenna Bedard (06)

.....move.....dance.....tap.....

Promote

As Pep Takes Over the School, Highland Loses a Friend

With new advisors, **Mr. Jennings** and **Mr. LaRue**, Pep Club created a new twist within the halls of CHS. These "Pep Boys" brought excitement to West Chicago, giving a whole new meaning to the word Pep. "Without the Pep Boys to guide us, promoting spirit in the halls of We-Go would be impossible," said President **Mallory Sanzeri** (06). Decorating the halls with blue and white, Pep Club gave the students a chance to be involved. The returning staff consisted of 40 members that included Poms, Cheerleaders, and individuals interested in promoting spirit.

To spread school pride, Pep Club redesigned pep assemblies to be more enjoyable. At the Homecoming Pep Assembly, **Mr. Jennings** expressed his quirky personality when he appeared as Joan Lowland, a hundred-year-old cheerleader, back to celebrate. **Mr. Highland** also made an astounding appearance at the assembly, losing the support of the upper classmen, and his beloved mustache. Adding to the celebratory festivities, the Pep Boys also sabotaged Naperville Central's mascot, kicking him out of Bishop Gym to claim back our rightful Wildcat territory.

-Gina Mangialomini



...Mr. Highland trembles in fear as Mr. Chamberlain helps to remove his most prized possession.



...Victor E. Wildcat pounces on our biggest rival, Naperville Central.



... "It wasn't midnight, but it was madness!" said **Travis Saville** (06)



...Sophomore football players proudly applaud their fellow Varsity captain.



...Julia Shallcross (07) cheers for **Mr. Arroyo** as he begins to shave off **Mr. Highland's** precious mustache.



...The hundred-year-old cheerleader, **Joan Lowland**, reminds **Mr. Highland** of the good old days.



...Representing the junior class, **Brad Hock** uses his muscles to pry open a frozen Wildcat t-shirt.

.....decorate.....convene.....support.....

Organize:

Leaders Take Control and Plan for Years to Come



FIRST ROW: Melissa Conway (09), Chelsey Wilbur (09), Taylor Turner (09). **SECOND ROW:** Jenni Aramburu (08), Gina Stolzman (09), Renee Cirone (09), Talia Bangert (09), Christine Rovtar (09), Sara Lim (09). **THIRD ROW:** Danielle Romano (06), Lauren Buscemi (06), Tracy Opel (06), Mary Hesterman (06), Eric Lindner (06), Amy Ackerman (06), Douglas Selby (08). **FOURTH ROW:** Adilenia Huerta (08), Kevin Michaelson (07), Ashley Jefferson (09), Amy Bytof (07), Katrina Means (07), Jenna Bodie (07), Lindsay Krage (07).

There are no more committed students at any high school than student council members. Whether they represent the freshman class or the senior class, they devote their time to improving student life.

All four classes contribute to our school by running special events for students and faculty to attend. "Being able to be with friends in the process of creating something so fun and exciting for others to enjoy, is what brings me into student council each year," said Sophomore **Hannah Strayve**. Student Council does not just make dances come to life, they also choose the class gift, paint windows for Homecoming and put together floats. Student Council Members do also much more behind the scenes of the everyday life of a student, and they help make the years that we are all in high school more enjoyable.

-Justine Egert



...Freshman Student Council
FIRST ROW: Chelsey Wilbur, Ethan Dean, Taylor Turner. **SECOND ROW:** Elizabeth Gola, Sara Lim, Ashley Jefferson, Michelle Blackman, Renee Cirone, Melissa Conway. **THIRD ROW:** Calvin Holt, Jessica Bedard, Christine Rovtar, Gina Stolzman, Mark Dean, Talia Bangert, Mr. Vega.



...Sophomore Student Council
FIRST ROW: Amy Bytof, Adilenia Huerta, Stacey Santillan, Jenni Aramburu. **SECOND ROW:** Alexandria Mills, Kayla Radloff, Kelsey Gossen, Ms. Bellis. **THIRD ROW:** Kara Wolfe, Douglas Selby, Hannah Strayve, Lisa Trygar.



...Junior Student Council
FIRST ROW: James Foreman. **SECOND ROW:** Jenna Bodie, Katrina Means, Lindsay Krage. **THIRD ROW:** Deborah Sosnowski, Kevin Michaelson, Courtney Antczak.



...Senior Student Council
FIRST ROW: Danielle Romano, Lauren Buscemi, Mary Hesterman. **SECOND ROW:** Eric Lindner, Mr. Lasky, Tracy Opel.



...Freshman Student Council shows their support by walking in the Homecoming parade.



...Kara Wolfe (08) rides on the Sophomore float, and shows they are the fiercest class of them all.



...Junior Class President Katrina Means plays the role of Belle on the class float.



...Senior Class Vice President Amy Ackerman plays Cinderella for the class float.

.....Fundraise.....elect.....govern.....

Crown

Contestants Capture the Crowd with their Charm

On March 10, 2006, your "not so average" pageant, hosted by our cheerleaders, showcased its version of talent, formal wear and...boys? Yes, ten of West Chicago's senior boys battled it out on the stage for the title of Mr. Wildcat. The evening began with a group dance number followed by individual performances from the guys. The contestants needed to bring their A-games as their teachers sat in the audience and judged their efforts. **Tyler Dameron** (06) started the spectacle off with a roar as he performed in a fuzzy lion costume to a song from the "The Lion King." Following was **Erick Mariano** (06) with a dance number, rapping from **Eric Lauer** (06), a guitar tribute to Johnny Cash from **Jonathan Kammes** (06), and a comedic piano skit from **David Taylor** (06). There was also a salute to Canada from **Daniel Visser** (06), a singing duel between **Daniel Dyrda** (06) and **Steven Migliorato** (06), and a crowd pleasing stand-up comedy act from **George Visser** (06). The contestants later participated in a question portion of the contest where we heard about their perfect date, favorite memories, and plans for the future. In the end, the votes added up to just one, **Quin Barclay** (06). **Ms. Stieglitz**, one of the night's judges, felt so proud of the boys when the night was over. "The boys had a lot of nerve to stand up in front of all of their fellow students and dance to a Backstreet Boys song the way that they did. This was a group of ten great guys," said **Stieglitz**.

-Jenna Bedard



...**Quin Barclay** (06) proudly wears the crown after impressing judges and fellow students with his Van Halen guitar performance and unique personality.



... "This was a great way to get to know guys that I might not have gotten to know before," says **Tyler Dameron** (06)



...**Daniel Visser** (06) introduces himself to the crowd with a funny dance to "Peanut Butter Jelly Time" in a banana suit.



... When asked what he would do on a first date, **Daniel Dyrda** (06) says he would go with the classic dinner and a movie.

.....serenade.....charm.....chuckle.....



•• Erick Mariano (06) raises the temperature with a hip-hop dance to a remix of Sean Paul and The Black Eyed Peas.



••• This isn't your average piano recital as David Taylor (06) mixes up the night with a little drama and comedy.



••• Eric Lauer (06), A.K.A. E-Lyric, raps about his upcoming fame as he impresses the crowd with his original rap.

“Mr. Wildcat never felt like a **competition** to me, but just a chance to have a great time and **entertain** the crowd. The fact that a Mr. Wildcat winner was chosen at the end was really just like **winning** the lottery on your birthday. It just made a great day even better.”

-Eric Lauer (06)



••• George Visser (06) cracks up the crowd with his witty jokes and his confident deliverance.



••• Aside from shocking the crowd by asking his girlfriend to prom, Jonathan Kammes (06) also impresses them with his musical side.



••• “Gangster’s Paradise” flows through the speakers as Steven Migliorato (06) shows off his rapping skills.

.....joke.....jam.....judge.....

Sing

Cast Members Share a Few of their Favorite Things

Weyrauch Auditorium came alive with "The Sound of Music" on May 11, 12, and 13 as drama students recreated the story of the Von Trapp family. Songs filled the air as students sang their Do Re Mi's, and even the audience joined in at times. More than 1,200 people came to see the musical based on this true story. With about 45 cast members and 26 musicians, the musical demonstrated many students' true talents. "The cast couldn't have been any better. They were all supportive of each other, very patient and willing to try new things," said Director **Ms. Hafertepe**. "I hoped for the best with the musical. All the kids wanted to do their best, and I had faith that they would work together and the play would be a success."

Taking place in Austria, when Germany has just taken over in 1938, Maria, played by **Natalie Ckuj** (08), wants to become a nun, but in order to do so, she cannot sing, something she loves to do. She is sent to become a governess for Captain Von Trapp, played by **John Wagner** (07), and she shares her passion for singing with his seven children. When he returns from his service, they fall in love, and they end up marrying each other. Meanwhile, they escape Nazi persecution by climbing through the mountains and entering Switzerland.

-Mary Hesterman



Suzy Nowicki (08), Erin Silk (06), and Jenny Wojcicki (06)



Cameron Jimmo (07) and Kristen Frank (08)

"Having a role as a new postulant was fun because the **personality** of my character was acting **clueless** and not knowing what was going on."

-Jenny Wojcicki (06)



Natalie Ckuj (08) and Megan Green (09)



Erin Silk

Erin Silk (06) sings the song "Maria," questioning whether Maria is a devil or an angel.



Natalie Ckuj

Preparing for her wedding, **Natalie Ckuj** (08) waits in Mother Abbess' office.



John Wagner

John Wagner (07) shares his talent on the guitar by playing songs for his children.

.....regale.....satisfy.....transform.....



Angie Panozzo

Angie Panozzo
(06) rests on a chair as she listens to Georg Von Trapp speak.



Steve Migliorato

With a blindfold on, **Steve Migliorato** (06) enjoys playing games with the kids.



Lisa Daniels

Housekeeper **Lisa Daniels** (07) listens carefully to a Nazi threat.

“With our **voices** raised in song, we really made the mountains come **alive** with the Sound of Music.”
-Tracy Opel (06)



The Cast

“The play is **bitter-sweet** because all that work put in is over in a matter of three days, but **performing** in front of people is so rewarding.”
-Erin Silk (06)



Maria Rainer, played by **Natalie Ckuj** (08), shares her passion for music and singing with Georg Von Trapp's seven children.



John Wagner (07), **Owen Kerschner** (07), and **Mike Dalton** (08)



Angie Panozzo (06), **John Wagner** (07), and **Steve Migliorato** (06)

...gratify.....illuminate.....showcase.....

Praise

With a Dramatic Flair, Thespians Light Up the Stage

Drama Kings and Queens made up the Thespian crowd in 2005-2006. Advisor **Ms. Hafertepe** and thirty-five devoted students worked hard not only performing in plays but also worked as crew members doing make up, set design and props. These members worked hard to provide the school with three entertaining shows, "The Nerd," "It Was a Dark and Stormy Night," and "The Sound of Music." Fundraisers such as the T-shirt sales, pie sales, and car washes helped the club raise enough money for props and other materials needed for their performances.

In January, Thespians attended Theater Fest. Theater Fest is a yearly event hosted at Illinois State University, which allows students from all over Illinois to take classes and see performances from other high schools. According to President **Lora Vodicka** (06), being in Thespians can be an amazing experience. "You receive a natural high I guess that you cannot recreate at any other time," she said.

-**Alicia Leonhardt**



... In early September, Thespians wash cars to raise money for their upcoming performances.



... **Bill Baron** (07) and **Carissa Gerber** (07) dress the part for "The Nerd."



... At Theater Fest, Thespians make a trip to McDonald's for a late night snack.



... **Rachelle Henning** (07) gives the thumbs up about the ride to Theater Fest.



... After rehearsal for "The Nerd" **Carissa Gerber** (07) jumps into her fellow actors' arms.



... **Dan Visser** (06) studies the raw egg he is about to eat during "The Nerd."

"I love going to musical practice **everyday**, putting the production together piece by piece. Like every other show I've been in, it is **amazing** to think about the progress everyone makes in a short amount of time, I always

amaze myself."

-**Lora Vodicka** (06)



... **Lora Vodicka** (06) and **Rachelle Henning** (07) celebrate on the night of "It Was a Dark and Stormy Night."

.....commit.....persevere.....seize

Form

From Dancing to Flying, Clubs Show Talent and Commitment

STEPPERS

More than 20 girls joined together to form the Steppers, a dance troupe that brings rhythm to life. With the help of Advisor **Mrs. Woodson**, the girls performed at the 2006 DVC Showcase. "Being able to express myself in step is something no one will take away," said **Rachel Jefferson** (08).



TAB

With advisers **Mrs. Murphy** and **Mrs. Holubetz** at the helm, over 20 students formed a chapter of TAB, a group dedicated to helping children with brain tumors. Their efforts raised money for the Children's Memorial Hospital. "The best feeling I can have is the joy of helping a child with a life threatening disease," said **Laura Conard** (06).



CREATIVE ENTERPRISES

Fashion took over as students interested in clothing and graphic design met regularly to use their skills. With the help of **Mrs. Kozlowski**, they focused on drawing logos and turning them into clothing. "Drawing and designing logos and placing them on clothing is a big help to the clubs," said **Mrs. Kozlowski**.



AVIATION

Ms. Rubino and **Mr. Montoya** volunteered their time to lead 17 students interested in aviation. These students built, flew and painted model airplanes. They also held a contest for best design and farthest flown plane. "Allowing students to set off rockets, and learn to build airplanes is a great experience for anyone," said **Ms. Rubino**.

.....Fly.....step.....control.....

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...Train.....practice.....perspire....



As Wildcats...

We **pour** our hearts into everything we do.

We **Take on** competition with fierce determination.

We **Thrive** off the Squad cheering and the spotlight of "Friday Night Lights."

We **Thrill** at the thought of new challenges and higher goals.

We **Know** that no one became "outstanding" overnight and if we don't **pull** through,
the team won't **pull** through

We **improve** with each passing year.

We **defend** our court like we would our lives.

We **Know** that the lessons we **learn** on the field will follow us throughout our lives

We **Know** that the harder the opponent,

the better it will be when we **defeat** them.

We **Find** that in following we must become leaders and in leading we will **learn** to **Follow**.

We **learn** to **face** problems head on,

and even when we **fail** we **stand** up again.

And whether it be towels, ladders or sprints,

we **learn** at the end of the season what it was all for.

We **play** for the rush of the run and the thrill of the game.

...It's what we do.



.....**learn**.....**win**.....**score**.....

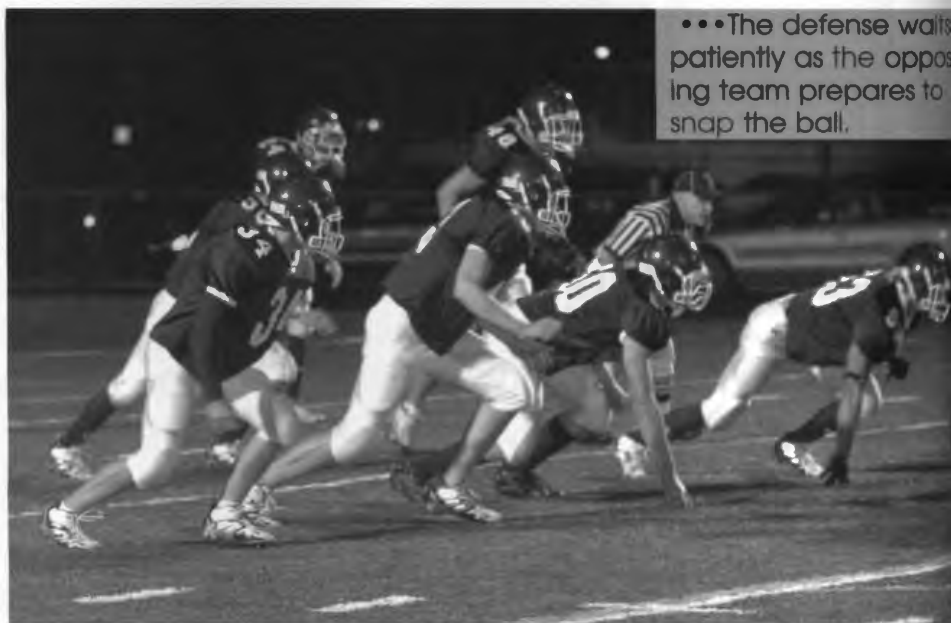
Huddle

Football Team Gathers For Battle and Finishes Strong

Only moments remained in the game against Wheaton North, one of top ranked football teams in the area. Wheaton North, ranked 19th in the state, had possession of the ball, and the possibility of defeat loomed for the Wildcats. Then, the unimaginable happened. Safety **Alex Schar** (07) intercepted the ball, and the Wildcats won the game with a score of 14-12. "After three straight losses and a 2-4 record, we walked away from their Homecoming with an upset victory that kept our chances alive," said Captain **Nick Nolte** (06). The following weekend, the team pulled a shutout win over Glenbard East, and they went into the Wheaton Warrenville South game with high hopes and positive attitudes. Unfortunately, the boys couldn't beat the 6th ranked team, and the season ended with a 4-5 record.

Under the leadership of several team captains, including, Linebacker **Travis Saville** (06), Strong Safety **Jordan Meissner** (06), Cornerback **Nick Nolte** (06) and offensive Running Back **Mitch Bridges** (06), the team achieved this record, an impressive improvement over past seasons. Coaches **Stone**, **Walters**, **Chambers**, **Martino**, and **Bicker** managed the noteworthy team. From the beginning, the boys had potential to make our school proud. Considering past seasons, there were low expectations, but the team shook them off. "We really improved a lot from last year. From the beginning of the season we told ourselves we were a play-off team and we proved that right till the very end," said Cornerback **Andi Szyzsko** (06).

-Paul Flores and Alfredo Guzman



...The defense waited patiently as the opposing team prepares to snap the ball.

"No one **expected** us to beat Wheaton North.

We **held** victory in our hands, even **Coach Chambers** was crying."

-Jerry Henning (06)



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1. **Nick Nolte** (06), **Geoffrey Wilson** (07), and **Tim Kirincir** (07) take down the opponent.



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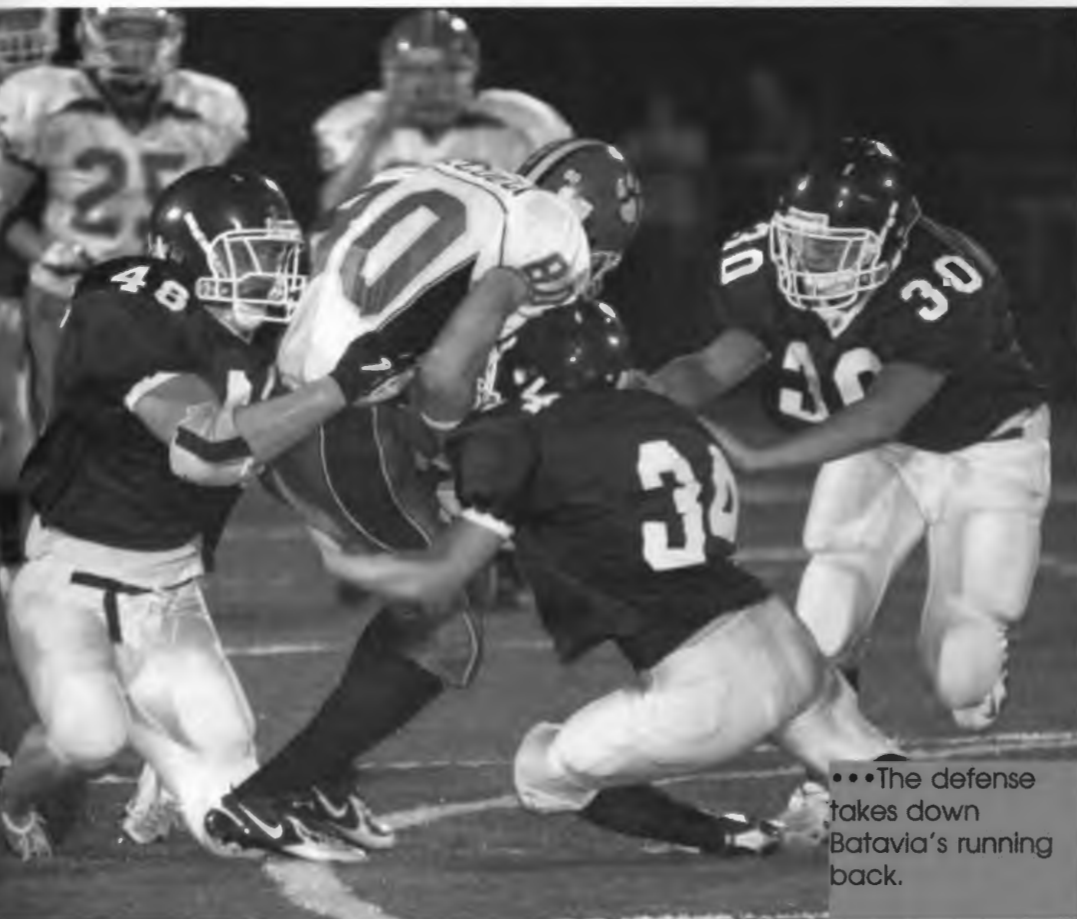
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2. **Seamus Olson** (06) shouts victory.

3. **Dan Brogan** (06) awaits his turn to take the field.

4. The team looks as the offense scores.

.....block.....pass.....hike.....



•••The defense takes down Batavia's running back.



•••Chanting "Break Bones," the team prepares to take on Plainfield Central.



Mitch Bridges (06)



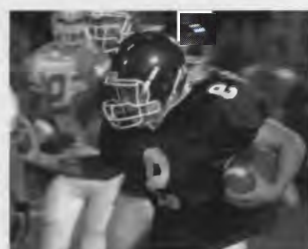
Ralph Calleros (07)



Tim Polacek (06)



Eric Wyman (07)



Jerry Henning (06)



Dan Brogan (06)

.....Fumble.....Throw.....rush.....

Endure

Grueling Practices Lead Runners to the Finish Line

In the heat of the 2005 summer, the runners on the boys' cross-country team ran a total of six to ten miles each day. Neither soaring temperatures nor a record-setting drought kept these runners from hitting the pavement. This dedication paid off when Senior **George Visser** led the cross-country team to Peoria in the AA sectional cross-country meet. **Visser** ran three long miles with a the time of 15:26.8, beating Streamwood Sophomore **Neal Klein** by only a seven-tenths of a second. **Visser** paced the first mile in 4:53 minutes, in eighteenth place, and he moved up tremendously. **Visser** ran against two hundred different finalists from all over the state, placing in seventh and breaking his own record times.

Coach McLeland served as the coach for the twelve boys on cross-country team. He has supported **Visser** for the past four years that he has been in cross-country.

Coach Maxson replaced **Coach Claiborne** for the girls' cross-country team. "It took a while to adjust with a new coach, but in the end of the season the Varsity team came together with strong teamwork," says **Kelly Tinnes** (07). At regionals, butterflies fluttered in the runners' stomachs during the event known for being the hardest competition of the year. Varsity runners hammered their records times from before and earned personal records for the season.

-Gina Mangialomini

... **George Visser** (06) and **Brenden Sullivan** (07) go the distance to stay with their opponents in the DVC meet.



"My main goal when I came to high school was to get to **state** in cross country because my brother did in 1998."

-**George Visser** (06)



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1 **Brad Grant** (07) keeps his pace with the other runners.

2 **Alexandra Durlavich** (07) sprints to the finish line.



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3 **Leah Kuzmicz** (07) receives support from a fellow teammate.

4 State-Finalist **George Visser** (06) proudly crosses the finish line.

.....run.....job.....pace.....

••• Andy Lane (06) and Miles Lincoln (06) are determined to push themselves to the finish line at the Glenbard North meet.



Brianna Harte (06) and
Brittany Herdman (07)



George Visser (06)



Mallory Sanzeri (06)

••• Runners take off at the sound of the gun shot at the Kaneland invite.



Gerik Wysocki (07)



Kelly Tinnes (07) and
Joann Kaczmarczyk (08)



Tu Le (06)

.....stretch.....sweat.....race.....

Tee-Off

Golfers Broaden their Range with Accuracy

There are three keys to great golf: preparation, adaptation, and the golf team! Concentration and inspiration drive both golf teams to compete. While perfecting their long shots, the golfers show their talent in any way they can. Every lesson teaches them more about the game, and their talent shows as they tee off at every match. They put together their skills and put forth the ability to use the techniques taught to them by their coaches. Although the seasons were not their best, the boys finished the season with a record of 4 and 8, and the girls with a record of 1 and 11.

Not only does it take excellent perception and a great amount of individual time, but teamwork helps them through it all. As the season progressed, **Brendon Jones** (08), **Frankie Giliberto** (07), and Captain **Eric Lindner** (06) emerged on top. The boys had a Top 10 finish in regionals, for the first time in many years. On the girls' team, **Kristin Grimm** (07) and **Katie Quarto** (06) both were voted most improved, and **Natalie Pacelli** (08) was awarded MVP with the best average. "The best part of golf season was night golf. We play in complete darkness except for the glow sticks on all the equipment. Playing the nine holes was fun because we laughed our way through, especially when we took off with the glow sticks. And to end the night with a bang, we came in second place!" said **Pacelli**.

Starting in August, tryouts and practices were held at the St. Andrews Country Club in the morning, usually hitting between nine and twelve holes while they were there. Hitting either nine holes for practice or a bucket of balls out on the driving range, they worked on chipping, putting, driving, and sand shots. **Quarto**, captain of the girls' team, said, "Rain or shine, dark or light, we were out there practicing. Even when it's 5:30 AM and I'm still half-asleep. It wasn't fun, but we made some great memories."

-Cassie Kleczewski



... **Eric Lindner** (06) watches his tee-shot on the first hole again at Wheaton North.

"Most sports can't be **played** when you're older, but I can play golf the rest of my **life**."

-Eric Lindner (06)



1. **Matt Melone** (07) lines up a putt.



2. **Natalie Pacelli** (08) watches the ball soar down the course.



3. **Kim Kleczewski** (09) concentrates while swinging at the golf ball.



4. **James Shallcross** (08) drives the ball down the fairway.

.....putt.....chip.....bogey.....



••• **Jessica Bedard** (09) waits in anticipation for her ball to hit the green in the match against Glenbard East.



Eric Lindner (06)



Natalie Pacelli (08)



Steve Romanelli (09)



••• **Steve Romanelli** (09) spends time chipping on the putting green before a round against West Aurora.



Kristin Grimm (07)



Scott Staiton (07)



Katie Quarto (06)

.....**slice**.....**par**.....**birdie**.....

Kick

Motivation and Pride Lead Players to Success

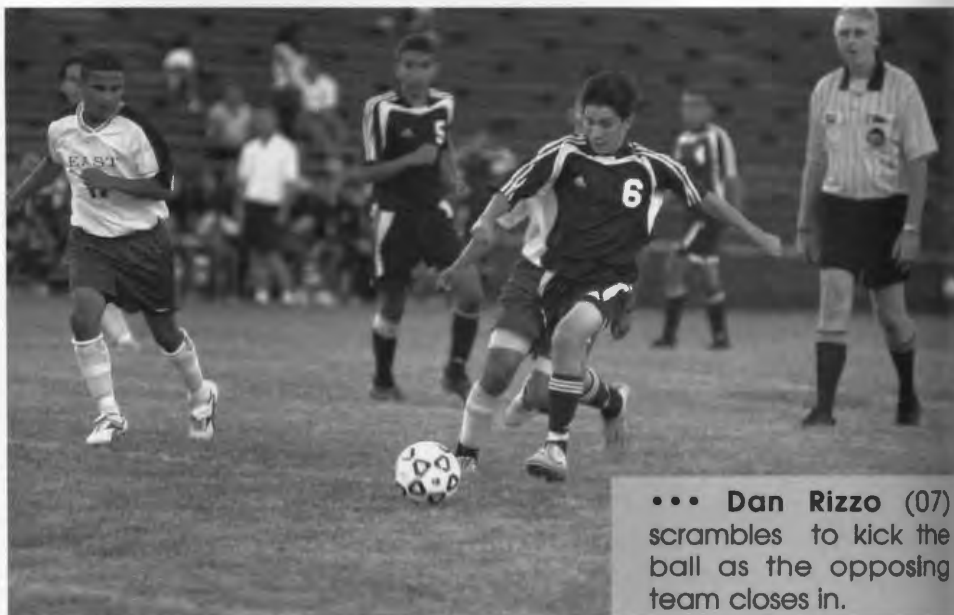
While walking up to the soccer field to see a game, the echo of the crowd chanting, "Let's Go, We-Go! Let's Go!" rings in everyone's ears. The players are warming up, and the heat is rising with all the excitement happening here at West Chicago. Rain or shine, these chants of excitement accompanied the soccer team and in the 2005 season, the soccer players used this encouragement as motivation to reach the playoffs for the fourth time in a row.

Varsity Captains **Jose Villa** (06), **Paul Reyes** (06) and **Nacho Correa** (06) led the 17 varsity players to a great season and welcomed two starting freshmen, **Tony Alcala** (09) and **Ismael Sanchez** (09). **Coaches Gomez** and **Brugmann** worked hard to prepare the team to make it to the finals. With this leadership, the team earned twelve wins, four ties, and four losses. "The biggest accomplishment of the season is knowing that we can compete with any team in the state. We have achieved this by working hard and learning how to play together," said **Villa**.

After the last game against Naperville Central, the boys emerged with a victory, three to one. "Our goal was to end the regular season with a win, and we accomplished it by working on our skills and teamwork," said **Villa**.

According to Varsity Manager **Rosie Delgado** (07), "Being able to work with guys whose passion is soccer and who make our school and community proud is an honor." Many of the senior soccer players are sad to go but at the same time very happy to have had this experience here at West Chicago. With their hard work and determination these Wildcats showed for that practice leads to success.

-**Katie Kostel** and **Becky Herrera**



... **Dan Rizzo** (07) scrambles to kick the ball as the opposing team closes in.

"It wasn't about **winning**. It was about being a team and being connected to each other."

-**Nacho Correa** (06)



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1. **Paul Reyes** (06) slides to kick the ball down the field.

2. **Dan Rizzo** (07) takes a quick scan before he throws the ball to a teammate.

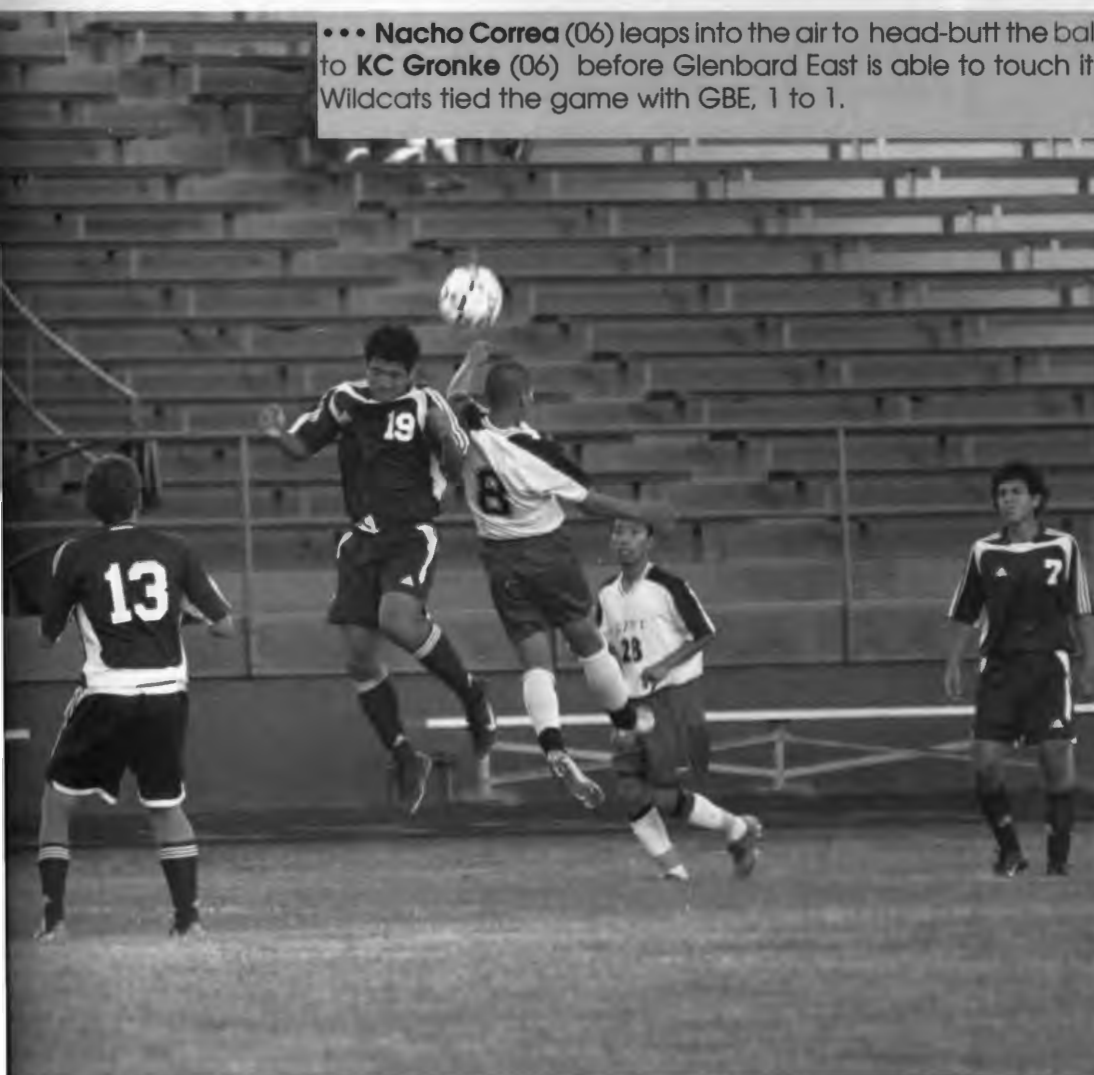
3. Freshman **Ismael Sanchez** searches for an open teammate on the field.

4. **James Arndt** (07) throws the ball after making an outstanding save.

.....charge.....slide-tackle.....save.....



•••The team locks arms, reviews the previous game, and shares words of encouragement.



••• Nacho Correa (06) leaps into the air to head-butt the ball to KC Gronke (06) before Glenbard East is able to touch it. Wildcats tied the game with GBE, 1 to 1.



Mitch Boyd (08)



Ismael Sanchez (09)
Jose Villa (06)



Jose Villa (06)



Ismael Sanchez (09)



Oscar Tapia (09)



Mitch Boyd (08)

.....overlap.....dominate.....head-butt.....

Free-Style

Lady Wildcats Take To The Water With Grace

With fortitude and the ability to swim freestyle, the Ladycat swimmers took to the water and reached for success. Although these Ladycats did not always emerge from the water with a win, they showed their strength and commitment to their sport. The many highlights of the 2005 season included the moment when the JV relay team beat Oswego East.

Competing in a total of fifteen meets, the seventeen women on the team put in many early mornings swimming kick sets, practicing butterfly, and treading water. During the 78 times the girls practiced over the season, each swimmer covered about 312,000 yards in the pool. This dedication helped the Ladycats improve their times and strokes.

With **Coach Herrin** keeping close watch on the swimmers' improvement, the Ladycats managed to liven up the season with pasta parties and pep pals. These bonding experiences gave the girls time to come together as a team. The only senior on the team, **Kelly Mateas** (06), served as team captain and looked out for the underclassmen.

"The team has been very consistent and dedicated while staying focused towards the final goal," said **Coach Herrin**, who worked with **Coach Delcid** to lead the girls through the water.

-Daisy Sallis



... **Melissa Sheldon** (07) demonstrates the proper way to dive, when racing in a meet.



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1. **Ania Skorupski** (09) stretches before deciding what stroke to perform.

2. **Julia Shallcross** (07) glides through the water while backstroking.

3. **Jamie Lesniak** (08) races through the water showing a breast stroke technique.

4. **Katie Taylor** (07) and **Jamie Lesniak** (08) rest after completing a hard set.

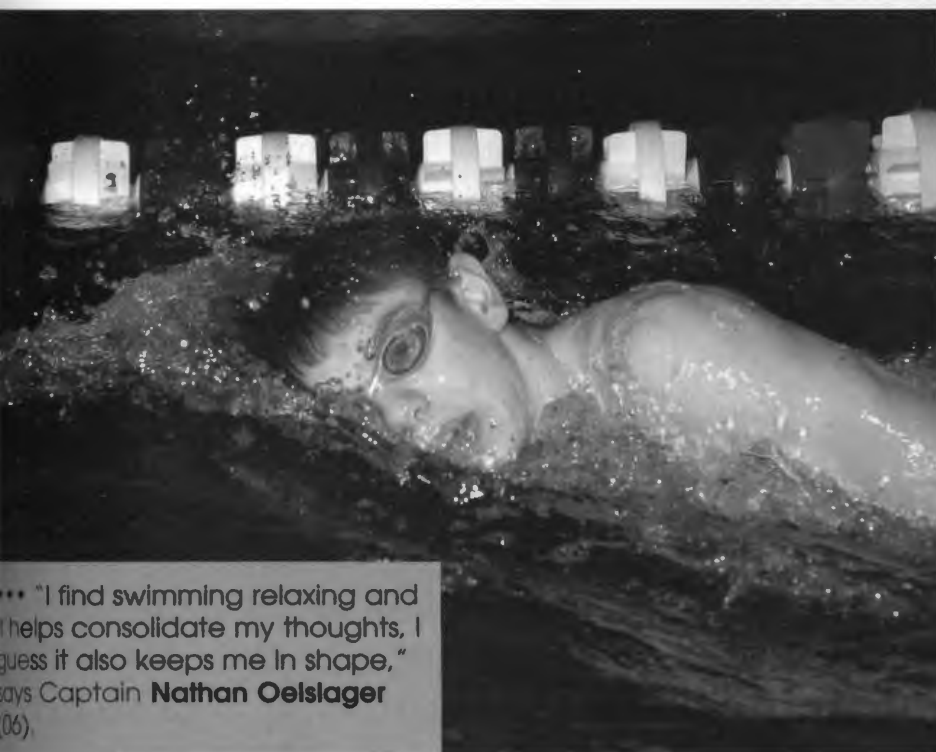
5. **Katie McLeland** (07) and Team Captain **Kelly Mateas** (06) take a breather before starting a hard set ahead of them.

6. **Caitlin Krengel** (07) dominates the waves while swimming butterfly.

....paddle....backstroke....breaststroke....

Splash:

Boys Dive in with Fresh Force, Flair, and Fortitude



... "I find swimming relaxing and it helps consolidate my thoughts, I guess it also keeps me in shape," says Captain **Nathan Oelslager** (06).

Twenty young men practiced 17.5 hours a week for fourteen weeks, equaling a total of 245 hours swimming and working hard to become remarkable swimmers for the 2006 boys' swim team. Captains **Peter Kiger** (06) and **Nathan Oelslager** (06) led the team with dedication. The Varsity and Junior Varsity teams competed in six dual meets and five invitationals. To prepare themselves for competition, the boys prepared themselves mentally and physically with a good night of sleep and good nutrition before meets. Friday night pasta parties, breakfasts after morning practices, and shaving their heads are all traditional events that the incoming freshmen had to learn so that they could carry on the tradition. The young and energetic group of guys have achieved many accomplishments and are proud of their hard work and fast times.

The team experienced a few changes in 2006. "This year we have a big freshman class of swimmers who began as novice swimmers, and now are fast, lean swimming machines," said **Head Coach Herrin**. The team will never forget the infamous 200 race, where three guys stopped and thought they were done until they heard everyone yelling to keep going. "The sport of swimming is not for the weak. Swimming is one of the toughest sports in the school, if not the toughest," said **Coach Herrin**.

-De Anne Fitzenreider

1. **Brenden Sullivan** (07) backstrokes down his lane to beat his opponent.



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2. **Rodney Nasir** (09) dives into his race with a great start.

3. **David Peace** (09) cuts through the water to claim his win.



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4. **Matthew Ziffra** (08) glides across the water during the competition.

5. **Brian Hummer** (08) intensely fights through the water to the finish.



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6. **Gregory Pelke** (08) patiently waits for his race to start.

.....swim.....shave.....stroke.....

Elevate

With Pride and Sisterhood, Wildcats Rise in the DVC

Even though the Varsity Girls Volleyball team ended their season with a record of 2-12, they still showed their opponents and fans true Wildcat pride. Despite the conference record, the girls tried their hardest at every practice and emerged from every game with a winning attitude. The DVC conference is not easy to conquer, but the girls played strong. The team played their best game against Wheaton North. Although they lost, it rebuilt their confidence. Having the crowd support the match made the game more intense. "The feeling of the game was so personal, due to the fact that they were our rivals," said **Jackie Boyd** (06).

Team captains **Sara Kuffa** (06) and **Jackie Boyd** kept the team united although they did not win many games. **Head Coach Hasty** led the team strong even after losing ten of twelve players from the varsity team last year. "There is very little time to rebuild in the DuPage Valley Conference. Most schools in the conference just *reload*, not *rebuild*. We definitely took our knocks this season as we scrambled to win a few matches. I give our girls a lot of credit, hanging in there, coming to practice everyday ready to work and stepping on the court each match ready to give it their all," said **Hasty**.

The girls deserve recognition even though the season wasn't as strong as they wanted it to be. They truly have the pride and the spirit of Community High School.

-**Stephanie Hish** and **Gina Mangialomini**



...The team shows their respect as the National Anthem is sung.

“ Sometimes it's not all about winning the game.

It's about playing the game. My teammates are my **sisters**, and we have grown to form unforgettable memories. ”

-**Sara Kuffa** (06)



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1. **Laura Conard** (06) prepares to bump the ball to the setter.

2. The team displays good sportsmanship after a match.

3. The girls are pumped to play the opposing team.

4. The players on the bench cheer for the winning point.

.....bump.....set.....spike.....



...Jackie Boyd (06)
prepares to defend the net.



Christine Williams (07)



Deb Sosnowski (07)



Katrina Means (07)



Melissa Olsen (07)



Jackie Boyd (06),
Melissa Olsen (07), and
Laura Conard (06)



Courtney Antczak (07)
and Melissa Olsen (07)



... The team huddles up for a
pre-game chant.

.....serve.....spring.....pass.....

!Ace

Happy Feet and Positive Attitudes Rule the Court

"Happy feet" is the phrase that forever will remain in the minds of the varsity girls' tennis team. Throughout the season, Head **Coach Moeaki** used the phrase to motivate the players. This motivation led the varsity tennis team to emerge with a record of twelve wins, twelve losses, and one tie. In addition to **Moeaki**, double partners and Captains **Mary Hesterman** (06) and **Jen Green** (07) encouraged the players to help them strive to win. "Before the matches, I always noticed the nervousness throughout the team. Sometimes what team members need is someone there to joke around with to ease the tension before a match," said **Hesterman**.

At every Saturday tournament, **Hesterman** and **Green** came out on top. They received first place medals at the Willowbrook and the Glenbard North Tournament. **Heather Knoll** (08), playing 3rd singles in most of her matches, emerged with a few wins herself, at the Willowbrook tournament and others as well. **Laura Steere** (06) and **Justine Egert** (06), 2nd doubles, entered each match with a positive attitude. "We had some really hard teams to go up against in DVC. We helped each other to keep our attitude up high and play each point out one by one," said **Steere**. The whole team did an outstanding job throughout the season and **Moeaki** remained proud of them. "My first season on varsity has been great. I was 3-4 and I surprised myself that I could compete so well in our conference. Almost all of my matches went on after everyone was done especially the Glenbard North match. Having the whole team cheering me on is the best feeling to have," said **Knoll**.

-Justine Egert



... Jen Green (07) and Mary Hesterman (06) support each other after a point well earned.



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1. **Laura Steere** (06) dominates on the court.

2. **Heather Knoll** (08) waits anxiously for the serve to come.

3. **Kelsey Lesnial** (06) takes charge on the court.

4. **Mary Hesterman** (06) succeeds in a point.

5. **Jennifer Wojcicki** (06) waits in return.
6. **Catherine Taylor** (06) prepares to serve the ball.

.....lob.....lunge.....reach.....

Return :

The Love of the Sport Brings these Wildcats Together

•• "Being in the middle of a match against Naperville Central with everyone watching and supporting you is the best feeling ever," says **Eric Steere** (06).



Love means nothing in tennis, but to these nineteen tennis players the love of the game is all they need. With twelve incoming freshmen, one returning varsity player, and six returning JV players, the boys' tennis team worked hard by going through the many drills and running suicides that **Coach Moeaki** had planned out for the team each practice. Although Varsity experience on the team was minimal, **Moeaki** still had high expectations of the team. "We did struggle, but my boys kept their heads high and racquets ready, coming out of the DVC competition with some wins," said **Moeaki**. Despite a challenging season and several heart-breaking losses, the team continued to remain motivated.

The team became closer and closer with each practice and match. After some Saturday practices, the boys, parents, and coaches all stayed to have barbecues. Parents tested the true skill of their kids by competing against them. The boys tried to make the best of the season connecting with each other, knowing each other's strong points and weaknesses. After finishing each match, the boys cheered on the rest of the team.

Before each match, **Moeaki** and team captains **Eric Steere** (06) and **Christopher Savaglio** (07) gathered their team and gave a pep talk to try to encourage them to get the win. "The one thing that I will remember from my four years of tennis is the pep talks that **Coach Moeaki** would always give to us before each match. He always would bring me up and ready for my match when I was having the worst day," said **Steere**.

-Justine Egert

1. Partners **Keith Christiansen** (07) and **Joel Rehbock** (07) set up for their next match.



2. **Jozef Pavnica** (09) and **Tom Werle** (08) give each other advice.



3. **Mads Rasmussen** (06) prepares for his backhand hit.



4. **Jozef Pavnica** (09) reaches up to smash the ball.

5. **Christopher Savaglio** (07) prepares himself for his next set.

6. **Keith Christiansen** (07) sets himself up for a serve.

.....volley.....swat.....extend.....

Defense

Wildcats Try To Regain Their Regional Title

The Boys' Basketball team hoped to regain their regional title in 2006, but the season ended without the realization of this dream. The team played strong games against teams like Glenbard North and East, Marmion and IMSA. The team was ready with their new players who had a big impact on teammates like juniors **Mike Sorgatz**, **Nate Sullivan**, and one of the two team captains **Pete Konchar**. "We played tremendously well against very good teams. Despite the score, we gave everything we had and tried to have fun in the end," said **Nate Sullivan** (07). The team also benefited from returning seniors **Larry Pope**, **Greg Dunn** and the other captain **Dennis Rocha**. "I feel for them because I wish they would have won more games and they could have too. They gave a lot of their effort and tried to make their teammates better," said **Coach Gimre**.

Coach Gimre along with **Asst. Coach McKenna** required players to practice two hours a day focusing mainly on skills and fundamentals. The team also went over the game plan of the opponents that they were facing for the upcoming week. Although the team's record did not go the way **Coach Gimre** expected, the boys still had a hard working season. "We certainly didn't plan on losing many games this year because we worked harder than that to be where we were at," said **Donnie Smith** (07). **Coach Gimre** said he hopes with the fresh talent of the juniors from this season, the team will reverse their record they had and work towards becoming regional champs again.

-Paul Flores



... Matt Claude's (07) opponent attempts to block him from driving up the court with the shot.

"Although we
didn't win often,
we **overcame** adversity
and played like a **team**."

-Dennis Rocha (06)



1. **Malcom McDonald** (08) prevents his opponent from scoring.

2. The sophomore team watches their teammates play tough.

3. **Greg Dunn** (06) stretches with **Larry Pope** (06) before the game.

4. **Dennis Rocha** (06) tries to keep possession of the ball to score for the team.

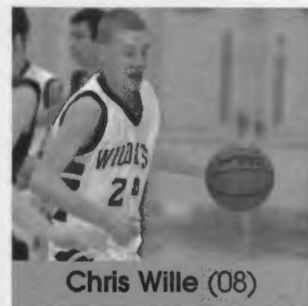
.....possess.....screen.....release.....



... Brain Collier (07) zooms right past his opponent to score.



Mike Sorgatz (07)



Chris Wille (08)



Nate Sullivan (07)



... Dennis Rocha (06) lays up the ball for two points.



Greg Dunn (06)



Jake Venchus (08)



Larry Pope (06)

.....pivot.....shuffle.....rebound.....

Shoot

Ladycats Claw Their Way Through Challenging Season

In a December match-up, a 20-point victory over the 8-0 Geneva Vikings inspired the Girls' Varsity basketball team to determination. "Beating Geneva was the first stepping stone to the season," said returning player **Melissa Olsen** (07), adding that this victory was a milestone for the team. "We came out on top of our game, passing the ball well and keeping our defense up which was the key to our success." Struggling back and forth with wins and losses, the girls played 28 games throughout the season.

Team captains **Jessica Crawford** (06) and **Kelly Mateas** (06) led the girls through a vigorous day of practice by keeping up the positive energy among all 12 girls. "Both of these girls have been extremely dedicated and have been a great example of leadership to the program," said Head Coach **Kim Wallner**.

The team remained very competitive throughout the season. Winning two key games against Naperville North served as one of the team's accomplishments. The girls were in the gym day in, day out drilling and sharpening their skills.

Not only did the team connect on the court, but also off the court as well. Before Saturday games the team joined together for breakfast and talked about goals for the game. "Team bonding is very important when you want to become the best that you can be as a whole," said **Crawford**. The team ended with a 13-15 record.

-Stephanie Hish



... **Melissa Olsen's** (07) intense concentration is focused on the basket while shooting a free throw during a DVC home game.

**"32 minutes to play.....
A lifetime to
remember!"**

-Team Motto



1. The girls motivate themselves for the game with a pre-game cheer.

2. **Lauren McCaffrey** (07) drives to the basket for a 2 point lay-up.

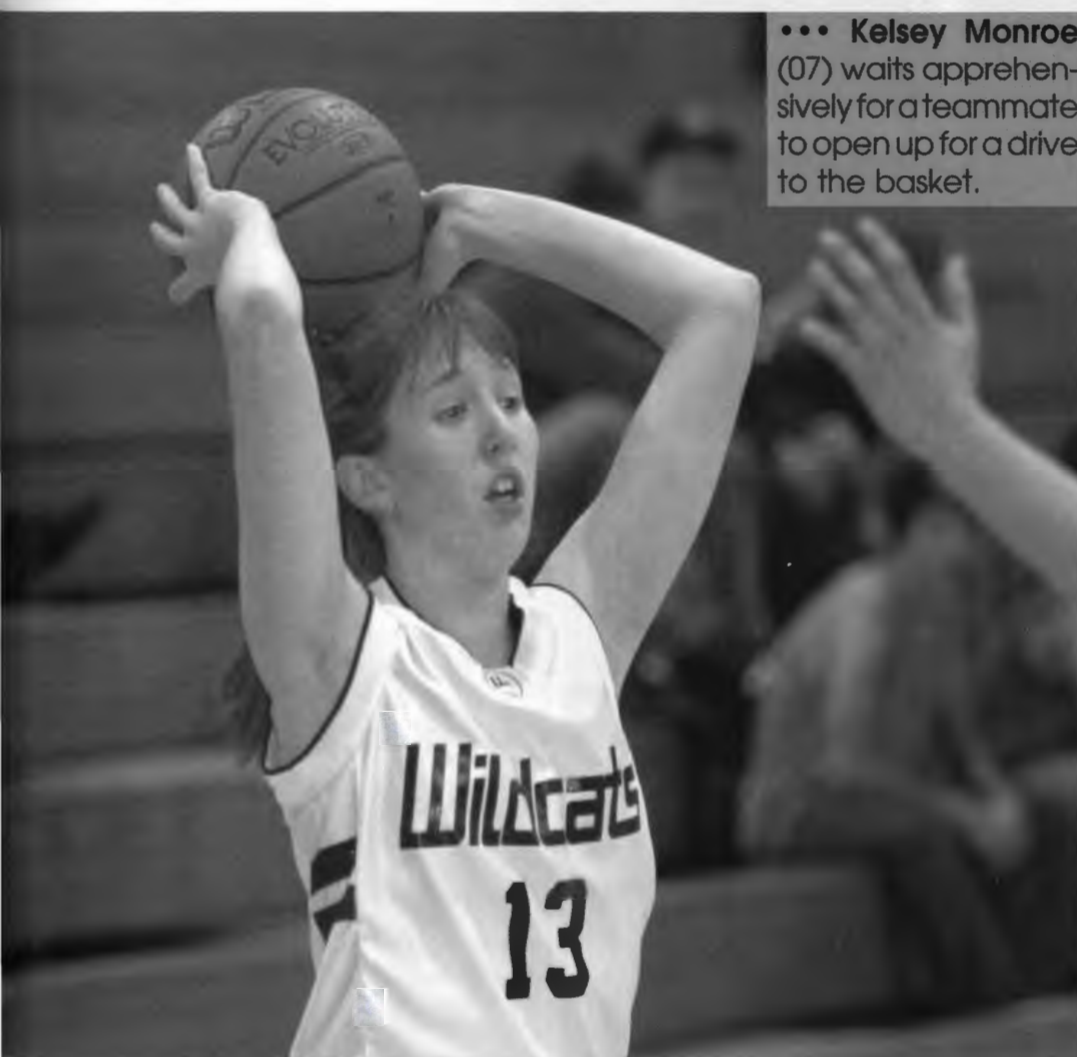
3. **Jorden Hall** (07) grabs the ball and looks rapidly for a shot.

4. Captain **Jessica Crawford** (06) leads the team in a warm up before the game.

.....bounce.....Foul.....cross-over.....



... Kate Norton (07) puts up a strong fight to the basket against Naperville North's top center.



... Kelsey Monroe (07) waits apprehensively for a teammate to open up for a drive to the basket.



Jessica Crawford (06)



Melissa Olsen (07)



Kelly Mateas (06)



Jenna Bodie (07)



Kayla Radloff (08)



Kristin Grimm (07)

.....dribble.....Travel.....pounce.....

Grapple

Cats Show Claws as They Take on Competition

Twenty-six Varsity and eighteen JV members of the Wildcat wrestling team endured four weeks of seventy grueling practices. Despite several losses, the team fought until the end. "I am really proud of all the hard work that the kids put into the season and all the commitment and time put into the meets," said Head Coach **Philips**, who was helped by Assistant Coaches **Pineda** and **Winquist**.

During the practices, the wrestlers not only challenged themselves, but each other to improve their skills and techniques. The wrestlers' workouts began with jogging for ten minutes, followed by a team stretch. Although some training days were easier than others, the most difficult workout according to the wrestlers was the goat run. "The goat run is the most difficult of all the workouts because we wrestle each other trying to get as many points as possible in the time that we are given," said **Tim Kirincic** (07).

Prior to a meet, Captains **Brandon Klekamp** (07) and **Kirincic** took a few minutes to discuss the team that they would face. The team fired up a traditional chant. Throughout each meet, the wrestlers had one goal in mind: victory. "The juniors and sophomores put in a lot of effort and commitment. They gained a lot of knowledge of the game. That is why they will outshine in the DVC next year," said **Philips**.

-Alfredo Guzman



... **Stuart Sankovich** (09) is victorious at the meet against Naperville Central.



1. **Ralph Calleros** (07) focuses on his technique.

2. **Austin Hall** (08) is declared winner after a long match.



3. **Jesse Ibarra** (07) breaks loose from his opponent's grapple.

4. **Arturo Hernandez** (09) shows good sportsmanship.



5. **Brandon Klekamp** (07) focuses on victory throughout his match.

6. **Mr. Winquist** coaches from the sideline.

.....sprawl.....pin.....overtake.....

SKate

Players Glide Across the Ice as They Rush the Goal



At the beginning of the game, players align and give each other encouragement.

Players form a group after making the winning goal.

Offensive players hurry to protect the puck from the opposing team.

Assistant Captain Jimmy Roman (07) runs the play with a fellow teammate.

Teammates help the goalie protect the puck from sliding into the goal.

After the 1st quarter, teammates gather around the coach for inspiring words.



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Most sport teams think of other schools simply as rivals, but Wheaton West hockey players joined rivals from Wheaton North High School and Wheaton Academy. Seniors and juniors of the three schools united to perform their best on the ice. "We had a young team this year, but together we stepped it up to make this a great season," said **Leo Guili** (07). The hockey team was led by player **Jeff Sevaldson**, who attended Wheaton North. He was assisted by **Jimmy Roman** (07), **Ryan Roman** (08), and **Steve Pearson** (07).

Despite a challenging season, the Wheaton West players made it to the playoffs. On one Sunday night, the hockey players were ready for a challenging game. It was their first playoff game against Fremd, a team who has usually defeated them in the past. "We decided to come together as a team, and show them the way we know how to play hockey," said **Sean Mathias** (07). Stepping out on the ice with a bit more hope psyched hockey players for the night. Two minutes into the game, **Jimmy Roman** (07) scored the first goal. For the next twelve minutes of the game, the players rushed the puck into the corners and made sure they set themselves in their rival zones. They not only scored once but three more times in the remaining time. Going into the third period **Head Coach Kasper** let out some inspiring words to rejuvenate the boys. Fremd scored three times leaving the score 6-3, Wheaton West with the lead. Our defense ran the puck around, leaving the other team in the dust. Wheaton West held their lead throughout the game and won for the first time against Fremd making this season one to remember.

-Gina Mangialomini

.....check.....balance.....shove.....

Lacrosse: Anything Else Would Be Uncivilized

Going on their second year of being active, Lacrosse started out the season by defeating prestigious teams such as Glenbard West, Naperville Central, and Waubonsie Valley, and ending the season with a record of 7-12. However, these 35 active team members started out with not only new uniforms and equipment, but with a new goal, the goal to spread lacrosse around the city of West Chicago.

According to the only returning senior, **Don Koltz**, "This year Lacrosse was different. We worked hard through the season and even though we didn't do as well, we gained something more important. All of us gained a better understanding of Lacrosse and I hope that more students will take the opportunity to play the game in the future." In addition to helping **Coach Libby**, **Koltz** also worked with students from the West Chicago Middle School to expand Lacrosse, giving these individuals the same opportunity to play this sport. "We are trying to introduce the younger kids to Lacrosse so that it prepares them for high school," said **Koltz**. Even before the Spring season started, these boys participated in community service projects and fundraisers around the community, including a 5-K run sponsored by Finish Strong Sportsplex to help open up their facility. "We believe that it is important to find ways to serve the community in a meaningful capacity," said **Libby**.

In addition to being more involved within the area, Lacrosse provided a new program. A Junior Varsity team was added. JV started the season with a win against Naperville Central ending the game with the score of 10 to 5. With the new Junior Varsity program underway, JV joined Varsity in the DuPage Eight, a combination of the DuPage Valley and Upstate conference. With **Libby** guiding these boys on and off the field, they will have no problem making a bigger name for West Chicago Lacrosse in the future.

-Vicky Mounghounsavath



... **Coach Libby** leads the boys with a chant before playing in the Varsity division 10 team tournament that they hosted at Reed Keppler Park.



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1. **Tyler Hicks** (07) catches the ball just in time to score.

2. **Paul Murphy** (07) defends the goal while playing Waubonsie Valley.

3. **Ryan Roman** (08) makes his way to the goal.

4. **David Adamson** (07) weaves around an opposing player.

5. **James Shallcross** (08) prepares to defend his teammates.

6. **Jimmy Roman** (07) waits anxiously for his chance to score.

.....scoop.....rake.....cradle.....

Smash

From Baselines to Birdies, the Girls Clear the Court



... Senior **Sarah Humphries** is introduced through a tunnel of her teammates before her first match of the day.

Miranel Obdin (07) wins the birdie after a intense rally.

Kelsey Lesniak (06) waits for the way to start her match

Melanie Greenmeyer (08) tries to keep the ball from hitting the court.

Bethany Inch (06) prepares to serve with hopes of defeating her opponent.

Kyra Benson (08) and **Noemi Delgado** (06) run through a practice match before going on the other team.

Sarah Humphries (06) slams a hard serve at her opponent in hopes who return.



It is the last match of the day and all the other girls have finished their close matches coming up just shy of a win. **Sarah Humphries** (06) is playing in a tight match against Naperville North, with both teams watching. The score, like a roller coaster, is going up and down, back and forth, 11-8, 13-10, 13-12. Not only is this match a close one, but it pushes the one hour mark which is very uncommon for the usual 30 minute matches. The game ends, and **Humphries** falls just short of defeating her opponent. Although **Humphries** loses, she is already looking forward to her next match where she hopes to correct her errors from the Naperville match. And, in the weeks following this match, that's exactly what **Humphries** did. Although the team did not finish the season with a winning record, **Humphries** and her teammates demonstrated dedication and hard work throughout the entire season.

The Badminton team had high hopes for the 2006 season with returning 2005 DVC qualifier **Kelsey Lesniak** (06). "It's fun to watch **Kelsey** play. She always takes it very seriously and always tries her hardest," said Senior **Sarah Humphries**. **Lesniak** lived up to those expectations by qualifying for her second straight State Competition during the 2006 season, which took place May 11th and 12th.

Also returning was Head Coach **Jessica Inch** who had high hopes for the entire team. Although the team may not have done as well as they would have liked, it still ended up being a great season inside and out.

-Kim Norman

balk.....dart.....Flick.....

Stride

Runners Overcome Hurdles on Road to Success

Runners from schools around the area line up with toes across the line to only hear the shot of the gun sound. The sweat and cheering fans only help to motivate the runners to push themselves and gain the 1st place title for their events. For the boys' and girls' track team, these races translated into a great deal of success as they won the 1st place title in many events. "My love for running attracted me to this position, and helping each girl achieve her goals is an extremely rewarding job," said Girls' Head Coach **Petmezas**, who was assisted by returning Coach **Brennan** and new Coaches **Bratcher**, **LaRue**, **Tanimura**, and **Maxson**. The girls' biggest accomplishment involved taking first place at the indoor Fenton Invite for the third year in a row. At the sectional meet, the 4x1 relay team of **Danielle Romano** (06), **Kara Triner** (08), **Phyllida Kornoski** (06), and **Amber Triner** (07) placed 5th out of 21 teams. Junior **Amber Triner** was the only girl to qualify for state in the 300M hurdles. Triner transferred from Glenbard East and broke the school record for the 300M hurdles with a time of 45.5 seconds. **Kelly Tinnes** (07) missed the qualifying time for the mile of 5:20 by 15 seconds. "The team's strengths come from the motivation and the determination to succeed and to improve as individuals," said senior captain **Kelly Mateas**.

The boys' team ended up in the middle of the pack. Team captains **Ken Klein** (07), **George Visser** (06), **Andrew Lane** (06) and **Jim Foreman** (07) served as role models for the underclassmen. Head Coach **McLeland** said, "This year is a good building year because of the fact that we only have six seniors, who have been a great influence on the younger teammates." Fifty-two boys participated on the team. Having so many members involved allowed the boys to compare times and distances for the best over all result. **Ken Klein** (07) placed 1st in conference for the 110m hurdle, and he was the only track member to hold a 1st place title. The team's best overall competition took place at the Jim Spivey Meet where they placed 3rd. **George Visser** (06) was the team's top runner at the meet, helping the team gain points to finish high in the rankings. During the indoor track season, **Ken Klein** qualified for state in the 55m high hurdles, and **Jim Foreman** qualified for pole vaulting.

-Stephanie Hish



•••**Lauren Buscemi** (06) leaps over the high jump finishing 6th in DVC with a 5 foot jump.

"Track is **different** from any other **sport**. It's not about skill or hitting a ball, but about **personal** and **physical** strength."

-Danielle Romano



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1. **Neil Luka** (08) gathers his thought before he takes off on his run.
2. **Kelly Mateas** (06) strives for the finish line.
3. **Kelly Murphy** (08) leaps into the sand-pit during a meet against Wheaton North.
4. **Andrew Lane** (06) pushes himself to cross the finishing line.

.....sprint.....shot-put.....jump.....



•••Amber Triner (07) competes in the 300M hurdles. Triner broke the school record and finished 11th in state.



Joe Majchrowski (07)



Kristen Johansen (08)



Jim Foreman (07)



Ashley Pineda (08)



Bruce Guevara (06)



Rachel Howe (08)



•••Senior Eric Wiechert runs his last 4 x 2 relay. "I enjoy running track because it takes me away from the stress that I carry from school and work," said Wiechert.

.....vault.....recover.....hurdle.....

Catch

Champion Cats Swing to the Pinnacle of Success

For the first time since 2003, the baseball team earned the Regional Championship title. With **Tyler Dameron** (06) playing third base and **John Yednock** (06) at the bat, the Wildcats defeated the Downers Grove North Trojans to take the title. The Wildcats were down 5 to 4 in the beginning of the game. With the bases loaded, **Yednock** came up to bat and hit a double off the wall to bring home three runners and take the lead. The score remained 7 to 5 until the game ended, when the fans went wild celebrating this victory.

Moving on to Sectionals, the baseball team faced the Benet Academy Redwings, ranked 5th in the state. That factor proved to be no problem for the Cats as they came out on top, winning 1-0. **Dan Francik** (06) pitched 10 innings, with 9 strikeouts, not letting any opponent gain a run. Truly, the game was a battle between the pitchers of the two schools, and **Francik** emerged the victor.

While the Wildcats lost in the next round to the Hinsdale Central Red Devils 2-1, they remained winners to their fans, and were even recognized by Principal **John Highland** at Commencement. According to Head Coach **John Walters**, this team "accomplished what they did because of the leadership of the seniors. They really stepped it up." Those seniors included captains **Dameron**, **Yednock**, and **Travis Saville**, as well as **Nick Nolte**, **Francik**, **Matt Rohn**, **Brian Russell**, and **Jason Jefferson**. Another senior, **Roel Martinez**, received all conference honors. "We fought as a team," said **Nolte**. "It wasn't simply the seniors that helped us to victory. Every single player on this team contributed to our success. We won as a team, and we showed the DVC what it means to be regional champions."

-Mary Hesterman



...The team lines up to motivate their teammates before sending them to the field.

"The team gave it their best. They'll always be able to look back on their accomplishments and be proud of their great effort."

-Coach Walters



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1. **Tyler Dameron** (06) swings at the ball.

2. **Tyler Dameron** (06) anticipates **Matt Rohn's** (06) throw, hoping to gain an out.

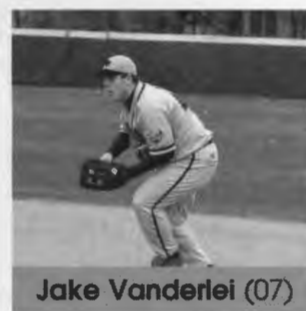
3. **Shortstop Barrett Serrato** (08) catches the ball and attempts to throw it to first base.

4. **Nick Nolte** (06) focuses as the ball is pitched to him.

.....strike-out.....slide.....balk.....



•••Pitcher **Aaron Kennedy** (08) throws a knuckle ball in hopes of a strike-out.



Jake Vanderlei (07)



Matt Claude (07)



Jason Jefferson (06)



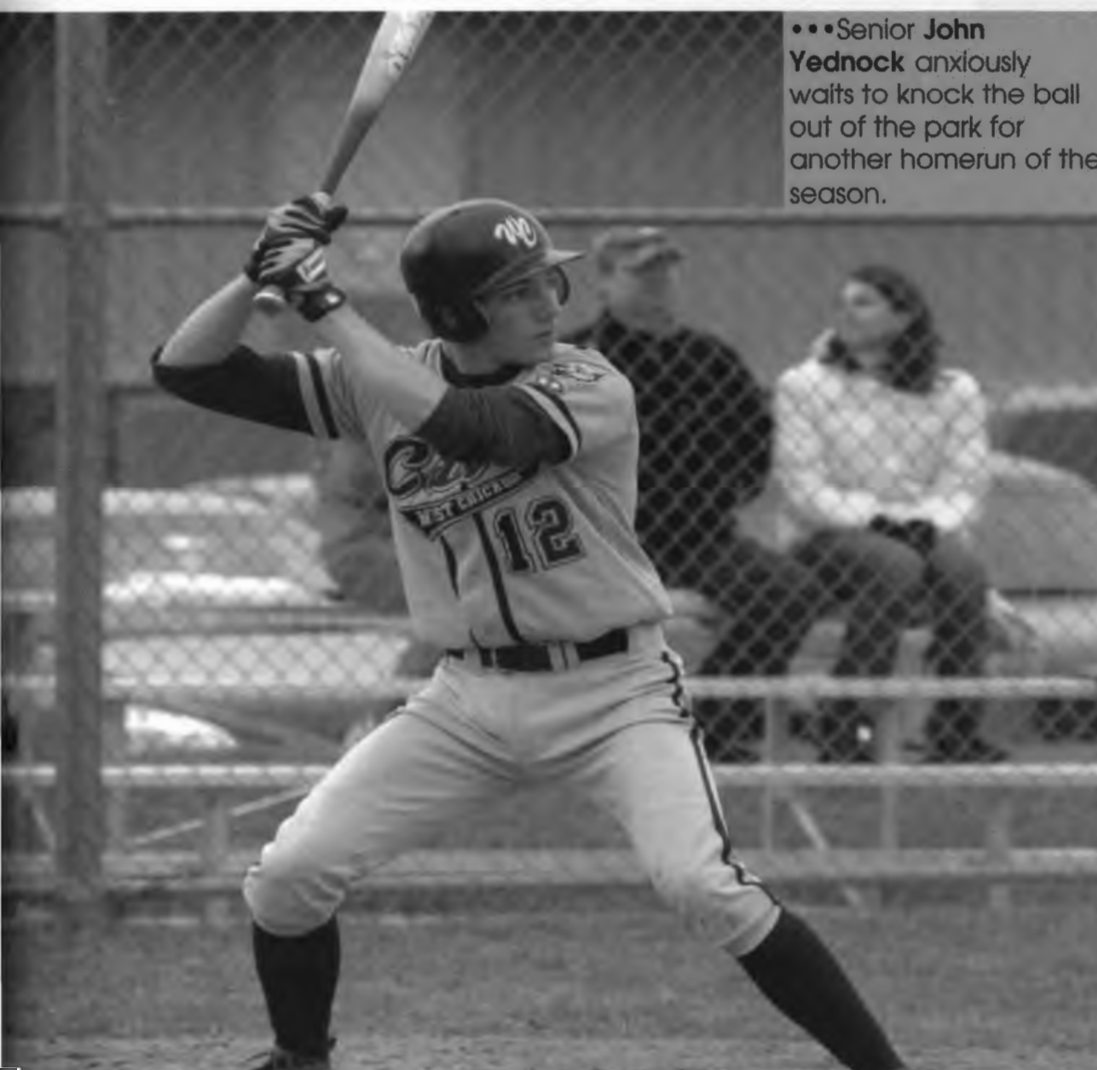
Roel Martinez (06)



Chuck Krone (07)



Barrett Serrato (08)



•••Senior **John Yednock** anxiously waits to knock the ball out of the park for another homerun of the season.

.....hit.....spit.....steal.....

Swing

These Comeback Cats Make Winning a Ritual

"Put me in coach, I'm ready to play," sounded the familiar John Fogerty song, "Centerfield," as the Varsity softball team warmed up before their games. Prior to every home game "Centerfield" was the first song that was played over the loud speaker. That song just gets you to want to play. It's such an inspirational song, I love it," said First Baseman **Leigh Taddeucci** (07). The song became a good luck charm for the softball team, and the tradition of playing the song before each game certainly inspired the team to success.

The 2006 spring season was definitely a change of luck for the 15 girls. Before the DVC competition began, they held their winning record to 10 wins and 6 losses. "As the season went on, the team's ability to win and their camaraderie with each other exceeded any other team in the DVC," said Head Varsity Coach **Jim Schaudt**. Having a practically brand new team, with few returning players, the 14 girls grew into one big family.

Because the girls were so successful with crushing the competition, a little competition brewed between the 14 players. It became a competition to see who could end up with the most homeruns at the end of the season. **Kayla Kramer** (06) ended up with ten homeruns, **Keri Mederich** (07) had four, **Linnea Detrick** (08) had three and **Taddeucci** had two. "The Wildcats have never seen so many homeruns in one season," said Assistant Coach **Lori Davidson**.

Although the team won the majority of their games, innings filled with egregious errors plagued the young varsity team at times. No matter the amount of errors in a game, the girls had the ability to pull it together and finish the game as a win. "These girls had a great skill to give me gray hair for a few innings out of each game, but they pulled it together like a good team should and finished as winners. These girls are largely talented in the game of softball and I was very fortunate to coach every one of them," said Coach **Davidson**.

-Kayla Kramer



...With a little grunt, **Kayla Kramer** (06) swings with all her might to gain a base hit.

"Finishing with a winning season is exactly what we strived for. We were very successful."

-Coach Davidson



1. Right Fielder **Deborah Sosnowski** (07) dives for a weak pop-up behind the second baseman.



2. Catcher **Linnea Detrick** (08) warms up the pitcher before one of the coldest games of the year.



3. **Christine Rovtar** (09) prepares for her first at bat as a varsity player.



4. Short stop **Kayla Kramer** (06) warms up her arm.

....Throw.....pitch.....Follow -Through....



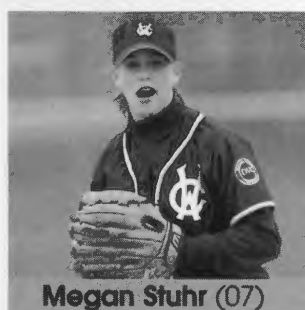
•••Leigh Taddeucci (07) throws out a girl trying to steal home.



Keri Mederich (07)



Christine Williams (07)



Megan Stuhr (07)



•••Jenna Bodie (07) charges a bunt during the home game against Streamwood.



Kristin Grimm (07)



Veronica Beth (06)



Linnea Detrick (08)

.....bunt.....slap.....ground-out.....

Shield

Ladycats Kick Up a Storm to Defend Last Year's Record

Windy conditions didn't stop the Girls' Varsity Soccer team from winning their first game 3-0 against the Streamwood Sabres. The game set the tone for the season, and the team won their following three games. It wasn't until the following week when the team lost its first game against York High School, 0-5. Despite this loss, the team rallied and ended the season with a record of 8-9. According to team captain **Amy Ackerman**, the York game demonstrated the team's strength. "We didn't have five of our top players that game, but the game also showed who really had the passion to play soccer," said **Ackerman**.

The girls opened up conference at home with a victory against Glenbard East. Team Captains **Jessica Crawford** (06), **Sara Kufra** (06), **Amy Ackerman** (06) and **Jamie Voelz** (07) stepped up to encourage and lead the team. "Confidence was not an issue for the team. It doesn't matter if you are a freshman or senior. When we're on the field, we are a team," said Senior **Jessica Crawford**. The team didn't only connect on the field, but off the field as well. After practice the day before a game, two players would pair up to host a pasta dinner for the rest of the team. This tradition allowed the girls to bond with each other on a different level.

Head Coach **Julio Del Real** was satisfied with the outcome of the team's accomplishments. "The height and skill we carried provided us with the advantage to compete in DVC conference," said Del Real, adding, "Every girl walked out onto the field with heart and passion for the game."

-Stephanie Hish

...Outside Midfielder **Drew Heiden** (08) uses her skill to fake the opponent out and move forward with the ball.



"When a game is over, I want to know I **played** to the **best** of my **ability**, and did everything I could for the **team**. I want to be able to leave **everything** on the field and know I didn't hold **anything** back."

-Jessica Jones (08)



1. **Stephanie Foster** (07) attacks her opponent.

2. The team runs into a huddle for a pre-game chant.

3. **Jessica Crawford** (06) keeps her eye on the goal.

4. **Melanie Fischer** (09) retrieves the ball after her attack as a defender.

block

Fall

punt



...“My team is my motivation, They push me to the best of my ability,” says Sophomore **Kayla Radloff** who has been the starting goalkeeper for varsity since freshman year.



Alexandra Etemo (09)



Jessica Jones (08)



Sara Kuffa (06)



Ivana Boers (08)



Jessica Crawford (06)



...**Gina Adduci (07)** pressures her opponent to win the ball. “Every game I just do what ever it takes to win, even though I’m half the size of most on the field I try to use it to my advantage,” said Adduci.



Nancy Martinez (07)

.....Toss.....push.....drop-back.....

Attack

These Cats Serve and Volley Their Way to the Top

The Boys' Volleyball Team lived up to expectations during the 2006 season with a strong performance in the DVC. The five returning seniors, **Joel Barker**, **Brian Brewster**, **Eric Lindner**, **Ryan Foytik** and **Steve Vlasvich**, gave the team motivation and contributed to the team's advancement to regionals. Captains **Joel Barker** (06) and **Steve Vlasvich** (06) led their teammates to play their hardest on defense and offense. "These boys are quite a group," said **Coach Hasty**. "We work hard, but still have fun."

Practices were not always fun and games for the team. **Hasty** made sure that her team was ready for each match. For a half-hour before each practice, they would condition by doing sprints, jumping exercise, and weight lifting. The team's goal for their season was to win regionals and to keep on advancing in sectionals, then hopefully qualify for state. "We played hard against Lake Park. We came out strong and really maintained a nice lead early on. We really came together as a team to win," said **Barker**.

As the word spread about the team's continuing success, the players gained more admiration from other teams, peers, and parents. "As the season progressed, I could see less and less open spots in the bleachers. Having more people in the crowd pumped up the team and gave us more motivation to strive to get the win," said **Erik Sorgatz** (07). As a whole the season was a success, both in competition and learning. They fought hard and proved that they were able to be Wildcat Varsity Volleyball Players.

-Justine Egert



... "You can't always get what you want," says **Brian Brewster** (06) about the referee's call.

"Volleyball has taught us how to discipline our minds and bodies."

-Steve Vlasvich (06)



1. Senior **Brian Brewster** smashes the ball toward the other side.



2. **Eric Lindner** (06) bumps the ball to **Ryan Kuhlmann** (07).



3. Teammates remain on the edge of their seats during a volley.

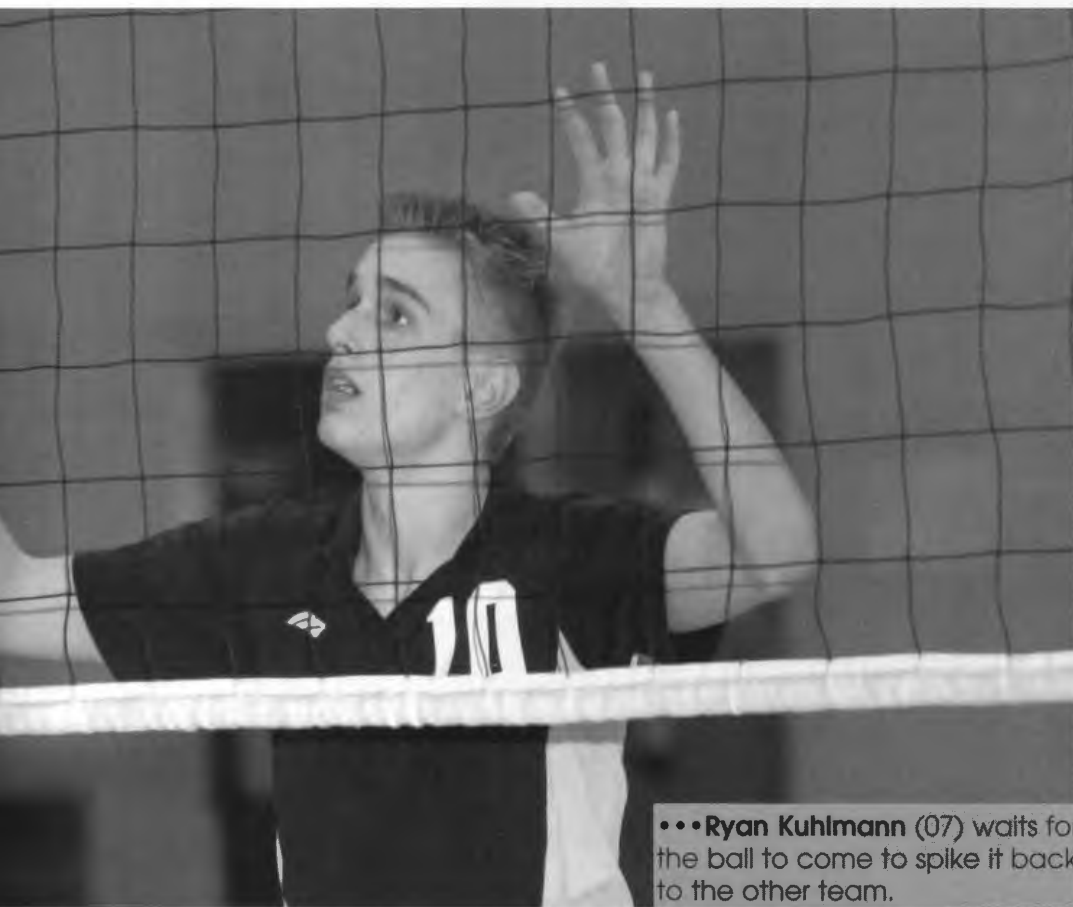


4. **Ryan Foytik** (06) passes the volleyball to the other team.

dive

towel

dig



•••Ryan Kuhlmann (07) waits for the ball to come to spike it back to the other team.



Nathan Sullivan (07)



Ryan Kuhlmann (07)



David Rundell (07)



Erik Sorgatz (07)



Zachary Dopper (07)



Ryan Foytik (06)



•••With Captain Joel Barker (06) at his side, Brian Brewster (06) sets up for the next point.

.....house.....shank.....cover.....

Command

Coaches Honor MVPs for Unyielding Perseverance



... According to Coach **Petmezaz**, "**Amber Triner's** (07) determination and strive for personal growth aided her not only in breaking school records, but also in earning the title of All Conference with an 11th place finish in state."

... "**George Visser** (06) was the only four year Varsity runner that qualified for state which is a huge accomplishment in this area. He also was a two year captain who led by example of hard work," said Coach **McLeland**.



... "**Travis Saville** (06) was our team's heart and soul. He did everything he could to help the team. He played defense, offense, special teams and led by example on the practice field every day of the season," said Coach **Stone**.



... "**Ignacio Correa** (06) has been the team captain for two years now, and he was the heart and humor of our team. Whenever we were in an intense situation, he knew what to do to lighten the moment," said Coach **Brugmann**.



... "**Frank Giliberto** (07) had the lowest average on the team which led him to medal in two of our tournaments. Frank was a great team leader, and we look forward to having him come back his senior year to work on his skills and hopefully place higher in future tournaments," said Coach **Lasky**.



.....outlast.....discipline.....sharpen.....



••• According to Coach Hasty, "Steve Vlasvich (06) has been an integral part of our plan this year. He is a powerful hitter and blocker. He has played club the past several years which has given him additional time and experience on the court."



••• "'Happy feet' and 'happy face Martha' were the words that, when used while Mary was playing, made her play like a pro and nobody was going to beat her. Mary won 85 percent of her matches and served as the team's captain," said Coach Moeaki about senior Mary Hesterman.

••• "Natalie Pacelli (08) has improved steadily throughout the season. She is a great team leader who leads by example. We look forward to her coming back her senior year to improve upon her skills," said Athletic Director Bob Stone.



••• "Pete Konchar (07) was our offensive leader and one of our best defenders. He worked hard in practice and was a great team leader. I admire his dedication and effort to the basketball program," said Coach Gimre.

••• "Jessica Crawford (06) was the first athlete in 20 years to be a four year varsity winner. She has been a three year starter and served as the team captain this season along with receiving an Honorable Mention All Conference her senior year," said Coach Wallner.



.....drill.....workout.....warm-up.....

Battle

Wearing Blue and White, Athletes Train and Fight



•••Varsity Football

FIRST ROW: Paul Murphy, Charles Blanchard, Bruce Guevara, Nick Puetz, Ricardo Galindo, Garrett Welch, Brandon Klekamp, Oscar Huerta. **SECOND ROW:** Michael Deimling, Coach Bill Bicker, Coach Peter Martino, Coach Bob Stone, Coach Josh Chambers, Coach John Walters, Benjamin Warren. **THIRD ROW:** Andi Szyszko, Ryan Foytik, Michael Bednar, Andrew Slinger, Adam Olson, Timothy Kirincir, David Murphy, Jared Vasiliauskas. **FOURTH ROW:** Vincent Petronzio, Patrick Howe, Demo Correa, Seamus Olsen, Michael Klein, Kenneth Klein, Mitchell Bridges, Brian Collier. **FIFTH ROW:** Jerry Henning, Michael Tunk, Bradley Hock, Ryan Gagnier, Paul Flores, Nicholas Nolte, Jordan Meissner, Ralph Calleros. **SIXTH ROW:** James Foote, Alex Schar, Nicholas Horvath, Daniel Brogan, Geoffrey Wilson, Timothy Polacek, Joseph Malandruccolo, Leo Gulli. **SEVENTH ROW:** Daniel Shelhamer, Jim Slekmann, Travis Saville, Gregory Dunn, Lawrence Pope, Eric Wyman, Alex Schneider, Eric Wiechert, Robert Hawco.



•••Sophomore Football

FIRST ROW: Kaleb Dieter, Alec Pineda, Ryan Hansen, James Eckler, Aaron Cracraft, Panfilo Lavarlega, Joel Huerta, Ruben Rios. **SECOND ROW:** Daniel Guerrero, Jonathan Williams, Jay Lenahan, Thomas Wilson, James Kipp, Larry Cuevas, James Padilla, Zachary Martin. **THIRD ROW:** John Malandruccolo, David Sampiller, Terrence Lewis, Coach Clay Reagan, Coach Randall Zellner, Coach Clemens, Matthew Smothers, Francisco Viera. **FOURTH ROW:** James Laloggia, Victor Velazquez, Guillermo Blanco, Paul Warkins, Kevin Vasiliauskas, Bjorn Vercillo, Kyle Kirincic, Mike Sedjo. **FIFTH ROW:** Justin Kufilek, Neil Luka, Henry Polz, Brandon Nail, Austin Hale, Tucker Hauptman, Dustin Hon, Jacob Venchus. **SIXTH ROW:** Mason Brandstedter, Barrett Serrato, Daniel Moody, Austin Hall, Anthony Fontana, Ryan Howington. **SEVENTH ROW:** Kyle Suhr, Justin Bjornson, Billy Stoyloff, Taylor Overman, James Miner, Matthew Gaede, Mauricio Perez, Salvator Vitro, Christopher Wille.



•••Freshman Football

FIRST ROW: Joseph Wilson, Michael Schramer, Alexander Puetz, Christopher Pierce, Jimmy Aramburu, Michael Morales. **SECOND ROW:** Jonny Padilla, Alex Pirela, Calvin Holt, Isaac Alejo, Alejandro Recendez, Ruben Benavides. **THIRD ROW:** Kevin Eckler, Coach Jared Winquist, Coach David Baer, Coach Bang Nguyen, Coach Ward Rau, Coach Andy Reinke, Coach Jeff Howe, Coach Chris Kane, Mario Vigil. **FOURTH ROW:** Thor Groseth, George Fortman, Olisab Guevara, Alejandro Garcia, Omar Martell, Corey Freebern, Zachary Mowen, Frank Stoerber. **FIFTH ROW:** Tyler Christ, Michael Dylla, Joel Viera, Rhett Gunderson, Gregory Vodicka, Jamie Campos, James Patrick Taylor, James Jensen. **SIXTH ROW:** Jason Foreman, Patrick Stremel, AJ Romanelli, Preston Hauptman, Kevin Marano, Rory Stewart, Danny Calabrese, Jeremy Werle, Ethan Dean. **SEVENTH ROW:** David Peace, Joseph Clark, Steven Schneider, Daniel Martin, Tyler Wrzesinski, Patrick McCaffrey, Clark Hudmon, Kevin Curda.



••• Girls' Track

FIRST ROW: Adlania Huerta, Leah Kuzmicz, Kelly Tinnis, Alexandra Durlavio, Mary Hesterman, Sarah Kimball, Michelle Blackman, Alicia Weyerstrahs, Lauren Buscemi, De Anne Fitzenreider, Rebeca Mendez. **SECOND ROW:** Ashley Pineda, Kelly Farrell, Laurie Aburto, Coach Anthony LaRue, Coach Barbara Brennan, Coach George Petmezaz, Coach Valda Bratcher, Coach Bob Maxson, Coach Joy Tanimura, Rachel Jefferson, Brittany Smith. **THIRD ROW:** Christine Thompson, Dana Williams, Sara Fouts, Natalie Pacelli, Katrina Beedle, Danielle Romano, Joann Kaczmarczyk, Mallory Sanzeri, Maggie Stremel, Shannon Fleming, Eileen Reedy. **FOURTH ROW:** Kristen Johansen, Kristin Klouda, Tara Wojciechowski, Tara Breinig, Kelly Murphy, Jamie Lesniak, Morgan Brown, Laura Steere, Brianna Harte. **FIFTH ROW:** Robyn Waldschmidt, Amber Triner, Rebecca Uy, Rachel Hellman, Mary Rizk, Heather Olson, Rachel Howe, Joslyn Meissner, Krista Kraus, Brittany Herdman, Kara Triner.

...defeat.....mount.....break.....



... Boys' Varsity Soccer

FIRST ROW: Coach Cesar Gomez, Oscar Tapia, Aldo Mendoza, Jose Victor Treia, Coach Steve Brugmann. **SECOND ROW:** Miguel Fernandez, Antonio Ola, Ignacio Correa, Ismael Sanchez, Kurt Fuchs, Martin Castro. **THIRD ROW:** Reyes, Victor Salazar, Jose Correa, James Arndt, Mitchell Boyd, K.C. Enke, Jose Villa.



... Boys' Junior Varsity Soccer

FIRST ROW: Daniel Rizzo, Javler Hernandez, Ricardo Cardoza, Rafael Acosta, Octavio Alcantar, Qamil Demiri, Coach Neal Fuchs. **SECOND ROW:** Matthew Rohn, Felix Lopez, Michael Hernandez, Douglas Selby, Miguel Marino. **THIRD ROW:** Christopher Terrel, Oscar Lopez, Jason Kovanda, Humberto Gonzalez, Ronald Mozalewski, Joseph Majchrowski.



... Boys' Sophomore Soccer

FIRST ROW: Eric Selcke, Coach Ken Schuda, Eugene Stolp. **SECOND ROW:** C.J. Del, Joel Rojas-Luna, Marco Luna, Matthew Rizzo, Rogello Vazquez. **THIRD ROW:** Edgar Torres, Brandon Farber, Jonathan Alvarado, Michael Delvalle, Joseph Caballero, Yobanny Mendez. **FOURTH ROW:** Timothy Schuda, Willie Valas, Isaac Castro, Eric Cabral, Alejandro Almaraz, Curtis Salazar, Nicholas Enke.



... Boys' Freshman Soccer

FIRST ROW: Daniel Clark, Jesus Herrera, Irvin Naranjo, Jose Delgado. **SECOND ROW:** Allende Luna, Marcos Hernandez, Alex Lima, Ryan Krage, Jose Padilla, Israel Nieves. **THIRD ROW:** Daniel Vargas, Sergio Hernandez, David Lustro, Vidal Avalos, Jose Montalvo, Rogello Garcia. **FOURTH ROW:** Kyle Nichol, Jozef Pavnica, Eder Gonzalez, Miles Nelson, Geovanni Munoz, Daniel Quinn. **FIFTH ROW:** Ivan Mondragon, Alberto Chavez, Coach Owens, Juan Hernandez, Joseph Serio.



... Girls' Cross Country

FIRST ROW: Alexandra Durlavich, Carrie Staton, Coach Bob Maxson, Adilenia Mata, Christine Thompson. **SECOND ROW:** Drew Heiden, Mallory Sanzerl, Tynes, Gwendolyn Murphy, Allison Rysell. **THIRD ROW:** Joann Kaczmarczyk, Cannon Fleming, Tara Wojciechowski, Tara Breinig, Brianna Harte. **FOURTH ROW:** Maggie Stremel, Brittany Herdman, Heather Olson, Amy Ackerman, Kuzmicz.



... Boys' Cross Country

FIRST ROW: Coach McLeland, Tu Le, Andrew Lane, Matthew Boltz. **SECOND ROW:** Brian Mateas, Douglas Mateas, Nicholas Miller, Cody Reif, Bradley Grant, Kyle Frank. **THIRD ROW:** Brenden Sullivan, Kevin Pavnica, Lee Bennett, Gerik Wysocki, Miles Lincoln, George Visser, David Musick.



***Girls' Varsity Volleyball

FIRST ROW: Dave Rundell (Mgr.), Coach Kris Hasty, Zachary Dopper (Mgr.). **SECOND ROW:** Katrina Means, Sara Kufra. **THIRD ROW:** Courtney Antczak, Liz Ruiz, Deborah Sosnowski, Laura Conard. **FOURTH ROW:** Christine Williams, Jacqueline Boyd, Kathleen Norton, Melissa Olsen, Stephanie Hish.



***Girls' Junior Varsity Volleyball

FIRST ROW: Coach Kris Hasty, Monica Gilbert, Coach Regina Morrone, Luis Pena (Mgr.). **SECOND ROW:** Megan Stuh, Randi Ritchie, Kristen Frank. **THIRD ROW:** Amy Bytof, Margaret Scott. **FOURTH ROW:** Lindsay Krage, Laurin McCaffrey, Christy Liszka, Linnea Detrick, Leigh Taddeucci.



***Girls' Swimming and Diving

FIRST ROW: Coach Bryon Delcid, Jamie Lesniak, Alicia Weyerstrahs, Morgan Brown, Coach Curt Herrin. **SECOND ROW:** Katie Taylor, Daisy Sallis, Melissa Sheldon, Amy Smolucha, Katherine Zajac. **THIRD ROW:** Kristen Kotche, Julie Levellie, Kristen Johansen, Caitlin Krengel, Allison Rodriguez, Hanna Colliander. **FOURTH ROW:** Michaelene Winn, Rachel Howe, Kelly Mateas, Julia Shallcross, Caitlin MacDonald, Kathryn McLeland, Ania Skorupski.



***Girls' Freshman Volleyball

FIRST ROW: Mgrs. Jeffrey Hlinka, Oscar Grajeda, Michael Wall, Justin Leduc. **SECOND ROW:** Olga Pena, Fr. A Coach Dina Klancir, Coach Kris Hasty, Fr. B Coach Candace Fikis, Lyndsey Tan. **THIRD ROW:** Jamie Dash, Margaret Polacek, Sara Smolucha, Molly Cody, Linda Feltes. **FOURTH ROW:** Nicole Kuhlmann, Amanda Tennis, Melanie Fischer, Elizabeth Gola, Jacqueline Debolt, Katrina Beedle. **FOURTH ROW:** Shawna Serrato, Rachel Benney, Amanda Huey, Joslyn Meissner, Kathryn Selga, Gina Stolzman, Kelli Grimm.



***Girls' Sophomore Volleyball

FIRST ROW: Andrew Oppermann (Mgr.), Coach Kris Hasty, Coach Steve Gilbert, Adam Nota (Mgr.). **SECOND ROW:** Kayla Hempe, Girelle Alcocer. **THIRD ROW:** Sabrina Corriero, Mallory Russ, Jamie Dorsey, Sara Fouts. **FOURTH ROW:** Brittany Kraft, Christine Arndt, Colleen Treachler, Elizabeth Buenrostro, Michelle Nitti.



***Boys' Varsity Golf

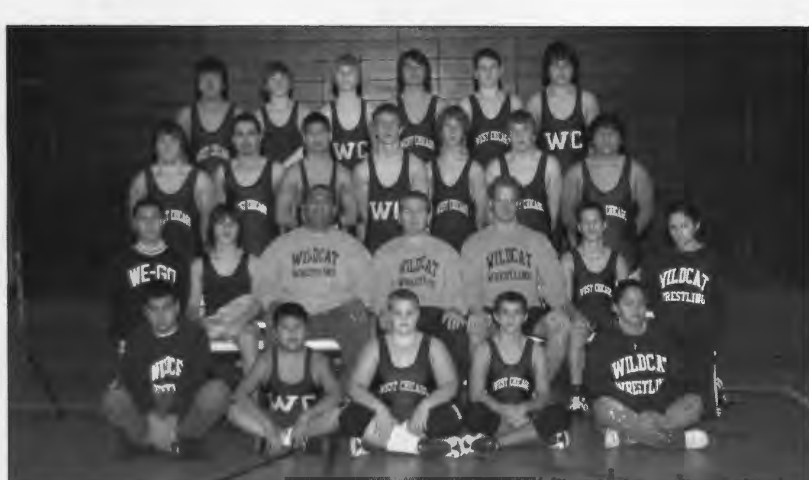
FIRST ROW: Matthew Melone, Christopher Savagallo, Frank Gilliberto, Eric Lindner, Scott Stalton. **SECOND ROW:** Coach Eric Lasky, Keith Christiansen, Oscar Medina, Christopher Sekema, Brendon Jones, Matthew Claude, Coach Brett Stark.

.....diet.....postpone.....carry.....



•••Varsity/JV Wrestling

FIRST ROW: Scott Wetherald, Herman Reyes, Andrew Cruz, David Rodriguez, & Gonzalez. **SECOND ROW:** (Mgr.) Cesar Garcia, (Mgr.) Rosemary Ortega, Coach Mike Pineda, Coach Jamie Phillips, Coach Jared Winkquist, (Mgr.) Candice Rodriguez, (Mgr.) Ricky Alfaro. **THIRD ROW:** Tu Le, Tim Kirincir, Ralph Berros, Sean Rubin, Austin Hall, Jesse Ibarra, James Padilla. **FOURTH ROW:** Drew Kanter, Brandon Klekamp, Roy Rodriguez, Tucker Hauptman, John Pineda, Alec Pineda.



•••Freshman Wrestling

FIRST ROW: (Mgr.) Cesar Garcia, Juan Castellanos, Jimmy Aramburu, Chris Pierce, (Mgr.) Rosemary Ortega. **SECOND ROW:** (Mgr.) Ricky Alfaro, Jonny Padilla, Coach Mike Pineda, Coach Jamie Phillips, Coach Jared Winkquist, Sam Caputo, (Mgr.) Candice Rodriguez. **THIRD ROW:** James Taylor, Rogelio DelMuro, Luis Ortiz, Stuart Sankovitch, Greg Berg, Preston Hauptman, Jamie Campos. **FOURTH ROW:** Arturo Hernandez, Pete Dieter, Kevin Glenn, Ollsab Guevara, George Fortman, Omar Martell.



•••Boys' Lacrosse

FIRST ROW: David Adamson, Thadlus Bleniek III, Benjamin Barclay, Nicholas Herman, Steven Rolseth, Doug Sills. **SECOND ROW:** James Roman, Paul Murphy, Tyler Hicks, Christopher Plane, Michael Parisi, James Weler, Thomas Boyd. **THIRD ROW:** Kenneth Cole, Ryan Roman, Sean Taylor, Anthony McDaniel, Patrick Hanrahan, James Shallcross, Michael Klein.



•••Boys' Swimming and Diving

FIRST ROW: Federico Garcia, Rodney Nasir, Adam Timko, Ashton Swinney, Ty Murphy, James Egert. **SECOND ROW:** Brian Hummer, William Burke, Matthew Zifra, Jacob Murphy, Francis Belfuss, Matt Leahy, Mads Rasmussen. **THIRD ROW:** Coach Curt Herrin, David Peace, Gregory Pelke, Christopher Prochnow, Peter Kiger, Nathan Oelslager, Michael Dalton, Robert Vondrash, Coach Beth Gottlieb.



•••Gymnastics

FIRST ROW: Allison Rysell. **SECOND ROW:** Brittany Blanchard, Justine Egert. **THIRD ROW:** Lanie Sikorski, Monique Hyde.



•••Girls' Golf

FIRST ROW: Kristin Grimm, Natalie Pacelli, Jessica Bedard. **SECOND ROW:** Katie Quarto, Coach Mike Cain, Kimberly Kleczewski.

.....crush.....quench.....hop.....



•••Boys' Varsity Basketball

FIRST ROW: Coach Mitch McKenna, Matthew Claude, Daniel Rizzo, Brian Collier, Coach Kevin Gimre. **SECOND ROW:** Zach Dopfer, Lawrence Pope, Gregory Dunn, Michael Sorgatz, James Alexander Pelej. **THIRD ROW:** Christopher Sekema, Dennis Rocha, Nate Sullivan, Joshua Wonsowski, Donnie Smith, Pete Konchar.



•••Girls' Varsity Basketball

FIRST ROW: Coach Kim Wallner, Kayla Radloff, Jenna Bodie, Stacey Sams, Coach Sadie Stark. **SECOND ROW:** Lindsey Johnston, Kathleen Norton, Jorder Hall, Melissa Olsen, Laurin McCaffrey. **THIRD ROW:** Kelly Mateas, Jessica Crawford, Kelsey Monroe, Kristin Grimm.



•••Boys' Sophomore Basketball

FIRST ROW: Billy Stoyhoff, Malcolm McDonald, Ryan Scheck, John Malandrucolo, C.J. Opel. **SECOND ROW:** Brendon Jones, Taylor Overman, Coach Eric Lasky, Coach Chris Grin, Erik Fischer, Matthew Youngwith. **THIRD ROW:** Jonathan Reyes, Jacob Venchus, Nicholas Henke, Dane Gunderson.



•••Boys' Freshman Basketball

FIRST ROW: Anthony Quarto, Ryan Grigaitis, Alexander Puetz, Ryan Crawford, Casey Camp, Alex Pirela. **SECOND ROW:** Rhett Gunderson, Coach Martin, Coach Wheeler, Coach Sayner, Trevor Bodie. **THIRD ROW:** Jozef Pavnicka, Ethan Burau, Daniel Justin Clark, Tyler Wrzesinski, Kevin Marano, Ladi Mica. **FOURTH ROW:** Steven Romanelli, Jair Barrera, Elijah Asani, Jason Foreman, Nicholas Miller, Mark Dean, Michael Dylla.



•••Girls' Sophomore Basketball

FIRST ROW: Melanie Fischer, Coach Wayne Kosek, Kayla Hempe. **SECOND ROW:** Caitlin Fredricks, Megan Peterson. **THIRD ROW:** Linnea Detrick, Caroline Stenslik, Shawna Serrato, Rachel Jefferson.



•••Girls' Freshman Basketball

FIRST ROW: Coach Janette Malone, Molly Cody, Christen Mungo, Unda Feltes, Coach Whitney Snyder. **SECOND ROW:** Taryn Cardin, Morgan Abrams, Christine Rovtar, Quiona Woods, Amanda Tennis. **THIRD ROW:** Samantha Mengel, Kathryn Bell, Margaret Polacek, Courtney Nesemeler, Tyler Murray, Kelli Grimm.

.....dunk.....slam.....pout.....



***Girls' Varsity Soccer

FIRST ROW: Coach Julio Del Real, Kristin Day, Nancy Martinez, Stephanie Fester, Kayla Radloff, Marisol Vivaldo, Jenny Tirado, Coach Ken Schuda. **SECOND ROW:** Drew Helden, Jessica Crawford, Sara Kuffa, Gina Adduci, Alexandra Eterno, Shannon Meyers, Monica Gilbert. **THIRD ROW:** Jessica Jones, Melanie Fischer, Ivana Boers, Stephanie Hish, Amy Ackerman, Sarah Cardamaglia, Jamie Voelz.



***Boys' Varsity Volleyball

FIRST ROW: Coach Kris Hasty, Ryan Foytik, Eric Lindner, Joel Barker. **SECOND ROW:** Brian Brewster, Pete Wierenga, David Rundell, Nate Sullivan. **THIRD ROW:** Brendon Jones, Steve Vlasvich, Erik Sorgatz, Ryan Kuhlmann, Zachary Dopper.



***Girls' Junior Varsity Soccer

FIRST ROW: Sugehy Garcia, Cynthia Silva, Coach David Hernandez, Haleigh Moreno, Coach Dulce Vasquez, Jaclyn Kerber, Erika Carrasco. **SECOND ROW:** Dulce Galvan, Nina Galto, Claudia Santana, Girelle Alcocer, Jeanette Rodriguez, Nicole Parisi, Teresa Rubio. **THIRD ROW:** Jeannette Alvez, Adriana Perreyra, Maria Romero, Megan Peterson, Amanda Coix, Mariana Barajas, Maria Proa, Natalie Mazzola.



***Boys' Junior Varsity Volleyball

FIRST ROW: Jonathan Williams, Adam Nota, Coach Steve Gilbert, Justin Leduc, Luis Pena. **SECOND ROW:** Oscar Grajeda, Jeff Hlinka, Brandon Nail, Mike Wall. **THIRD ROW:** Grant Luther, Jonathan Palka, Kevin Carrington, Merrick Doll, Andrew Oppermann.



***Girls' Freshman Soccer

FIRST ROW: Angelica Perez, Monica Montoya, Coach Cesar Gomez, Gaby Lopez, Cristal Galvan, Olga Pena. **SECOND ROW:** Elizabeth Correa, Dana Cruz, Candi Garcia, Enjelica Carlos, Amayllis Arellano, Janet Granados, Alejandra Martinez. **THIRD ROW:** Lesli Luna, Griselda Sanchez, Teresa Granados, Monika Baker, Lisette Dominguez, Jessica Bergmann.



***Boys' Freshman Volleyball

FIRST ROW: Mgr. Amanda Huey, Olisab Guevara, Blaine Flanagan, Ryan Krage, Mgr. Rachel Benney, Coach Dina Klancir. **SECOND ROW:** Drew Bowker, Mark Dean, Alejandro Almaraz, Curtis Salazar, Ethan Dean. **THIRD ROW:** Steven Romanelli, Joseph Clark, Eder Gonzalez, David Clark, Marco Favela, Danny Calabrese.

lose.....invade.....rumble.....



•••Boys' Varsity/JV Baseball

FIRST ROW: Coach Hughes, Jacob VanDerlei, James Mazzone, Matthew Claude, Ryan Taylor, Tyler Dameron, Kevin Deutsch, Coach John Walters. **SECOND ROW:** Barrett Serrato, John Yednock, Nicholas Nofte, Chuck Krone, Jason Jefferson, Brian Russell, Matthew Rohn. **THIRD ROW:** Aaron Kennedy, Roel Martinez, Travis Saville, Eric Wyman, Daniel Francik, Christopher Sekema, Shane Koehring.



•••Girls' Varsity Softball

FIRST ROW: Jenna Bodle, Coach Davidson, Deborah Sosnowski, Coach Geronimo, Kari Johnson, Coach Schaudt. **SECOND ROW:** Katherine Zajac, Linnea Detrick, Kerl Mederich, Margaret Scott, Megan Stuhr, Kristin Grimm. **THIRD ROW:** Veronica Beth, Kayla Kramer, Jacqueline Boyd, Christine Williams, Leigh Taddeucci.



•••Boys' Freshman Baseball

FIRST ROW: Alejandro Garcia, James Jensen, Kevin Eckler, Jordan Long, Eric Hasselberger, Drew Peterson, Alexander Puetz, Cole Paler, Christopher Pierce, Kyle Obright. **SECOND ROW:** Daniel Quinn, Gregory Vodicka, James Laiter, Alex Pirela, Trevor Bodle, Cody Reif, Douglas Mateas, Rhett Gunderson. **THIRD ROW:** Corey Freebern, Nathan Laka, Matthew Infanger, Patrick McCaffrey, Ethan Burau, Daniel Michiels, AJ Romanelli, Tyler Christ, Rory Stewart. **FOURTH ROW:** Coach Clay Reagan, Coach Christopher Lukas.



•••Girls' Junior Varsity Softball

FIRST ROW: Samantha Healy, Coach Tom Cheehy, Coach Emma Cortez, Coach Fred Ruiz, Amy Bytof. **SECOND ROW:** Jamie Dash, Anna Treudi, Kari Wood, Kelly Weler, Samantha Deaton. **THIRD ROW:** Laurin McCaffrey, Christine Rovtar, Kelly Weber, Courtney Rosalez, Christy Liszka, Alexandria Mills.



•••Boys' Sophomore Baseball

FIRST ROW: Coach Eric Lasky, Matthew Smothers, Joshua Yednock, James Eckler, Brian Simpson, Lil' Rob. **SECOND ROW:** David Sampiller, Daniel Grammer, Jay Lenahan, Ryan Scheck, Dane Gunderson, Maxwell George. **THIRD ROW:** Jacob Venchus, Matthew Andracki, Matthew Youngwith, Justin Bjornson, Michael Sedjo.



•••Girls' Freshman Softball

FIRST ROW: Coach Christin Ruiz, Kayla Hempe, Anna Lane, Adriana Noceda, Coach Jeff Bolton. **SECOND ROW:** Margaret Polacek, Elizabeth Gola, Katrina Turzinski, Rebecca Tiani. **THIRD ROW:** Kelli Grimm, Nicole Kuhlmann, Sarah Bicchinella, Caitlin Fredricks, Courtney Macko.

.....ravage.....fear.....intimidate.....



•••Boys' Varsity Track

FIRST ROW: Coach Joe Cristina, Coach Mike Mittman, Coach Paul McLeland, **SECOND ROW:** Bruce Guevara, Andrew Lane, Kyle Frank, James Foreman, Kenneth Klein, Kevin Pavlica, Vincent Petronzio. **THIRD ROW:** George Visser, Geoffrey Wilson, Jim Slekmann, Lee Bennett, Gerik Wysocki, Eric Wiechert, Joseph Majchrowski.



•••Boys' Freshman/Sophomore Track

FIRST ROW: Neil Luka, Gregory Berg, Coach Joe Cristina, Coach Paul McLeland, Coach Mike Mittman, Kevin Klouda, Tom Ulin, Sam Caputo. **SECOND ROW:** Zachary Mowen, Tucker Hauptman, Eli Asani, Guillermo Blanco, Jason Foreman, Miles Nelson, Douglas Selby, Kyle Nichol, Elijah Strong, Andrew Hur. **THIRD ROW:** David Musick, Jeremy Werle, Jason Kaovanda, William Stoyhoff, Tyree Dabney, Clark Hudmon, Paul Warkins, Malcolm McDonald.



•••Boys' Freshman/Sophomore Golf

FIRST ROW: Coach Eric Lasky, Jonathan Kinsella, Samuel Wais, Drew Peterson, Kyle Obright, Zack Pazar, James Shallcross, Coach Brett Stark. **SECOND ROW:** Ryan Tallip, Ryan Scheck, Sam Fatigato, Matthew Youngwith, Steve Romanelli, Nicholas Werthman, Chad Demas, Ryan Crawford.



•••Girls' Tennis

FIRST ROW: Claudia Santana, Megan Green, Melanie Linsenmeyer, Jennifer Green, Nalya Panchal. **SECOND ROW:** Eric Steere (Mgr.), Coach Fred Toms, Coach Stone Moeaki, Coach Tim Martin. **THIRD ROW:** Megan Carnes, Sarah Humphries, Anais Arias, Dianne Trush, Heather Knoll, Melissa Guillen, Leigh Martino. **FOURTH ROW:** Anisoara Aguilar, Melissa Molskow, Miranet Obdin, Natalie Ckuj, Madeline Albright, Dana Burgess, Jennifer Wojcicki, Monika Kalicki. **FIFTH ROW:** Kelly Murphy, Catherine Taylor, Justine Egert, Mera Kolisnyk, Rebecca Tiani, Laura Steere, Rebecca Cisowski. **SIXTH ROW:** Sadie Roberts, Mary Hesterman, Brittany Michnick, Kelly Weber, Kelsey Lesniak, Rachel Hellman, Hannah Taylor, Jessica Franklin.

.....exercise.....strengthen.....rage.....

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.....strive.....conquer.....embark.....



As Wildcats ...

We **wait** anxiously for the moment that "Pomp and Circumstance" plays
before we proudly **walk** across the stage in Bishop Gym for our diplomas.

We **sit** in the audience as our fellow classmates receive scholarships and recognition for
their countless efforts over the years.

We **enjoy** a blissful night of dancing and picture taking as
we **celebrate** Prom with our close friends.

We **nominate** our seniors for their unique characteristics and outstanding traits.
We **induct** members into National Honor Society and **admire** their work around the community.

We **remember** our childhood as our friends and families wish us luck for the future.

We **learn** that experience is the hardest teacher of them all because it gives
the test first and the lesson last.

We **smile** as we **linger** over memories, whether they are good or bad, knowing that
they are the moments that made us who we are today.

... It's what we do.



elaborate.....overcome.....succeed...

Cherish

Every Little Memory Makes the Night Unforgettable

Five hundred students let the good times roll at the Prom as they danced the night away during one of the most memorable celebrations of the year. Limousines pulled up to the Carlisle's entrance around six-thirty. As the limos opened their doors, they exposed beautiful gowns and sharp tuxes. As students entered the banquet hall, the casino theme flooded the dance floor, and the night of smiles and laughter began.

Anticipation emerged from the students nearly halfway through the dinner as the Prom Committee, led by Advisers **Mr. Lasky and Ms. Dellutri**, announced **Ken Klein** and **Megan Stuhr** as the Prom King and Queen. Shortly afterwards, the King and Queen led other couples in a slow dance to the song "Amazed" by Lonestar. When the dance ended, the floor attracted individuals eager to kick off their heels and loosen their ties. "This year's Prom brought together the junior and senior class and was an overall blast! I finally understood what it meant to dance the night away," said Student Council Representative **Stephanie Hish** (07).

-**Marilyn Jacques and Brittney Peters**



... "Knowing this was my last prom made the experience much more special. Every memory I made during the night will always be with me. I am going to miss everyone next year," said **Mellisa Pasindo** (06).

"Prom was
great. My
date looked
gorgeous,
the food was
scrumptious,
and I was
able to show
off my
amazing
dance moves."

-**Bruce Guevara** (06)



... "Through the four years of high school, the **bond** we created during grade school still **holds** strong. This bond will never be **broken** because we are the Turner alumni boys," says **Kevin Grobe** (06) as he poses with thirteen other Turner graduates.

"Having four
of my best
friends
standing
beside me
on prom
court
made the
night even
more
unforgettable."

-**Christine Williams** (07)

.....**celebrate**.....**primp**.....**dazzle**.....



... A single crown means nothing to five girls who share a lifetime of memories.



... The overflow of balloons amazes many as they dance to the song "Amazed."



... Shantal Sanchez (06) dances with her own Mr. Wildcat Miguel Tapia.



... "The feeling of being recognized by my fellow classmates was so rewarding, but unexpected. My night truly could not have been better," said Prom Queen **Megan Stuhr** as she slow dances with the Prom King **Ken Klein**.



Maggie Stremel (07)
and
Leah Kuzmicz (07)



Stephanie Hish (07)
and
Nathan Sullivan (07)



Teachers **Mrs. Vasquez**
and **Mr. Chisholm**.

"This prom will **always** stay with me, but I'm **excited** for next year when I can make new **memories**."

-**Amanda Coix (07)**



"**Planning** prom took a lot of time and hard work but **everything** turned out so **perfect**."

-**Katrina Means (07)**

.....**spend.....Treasure.....boogie.....**

Nominate

Is the Next Taylor Hicks or JFK a Fellow Graduate?

Most Likely to
be an MTV VJ:
**Jen Elliott &
Chris Prochnow**

Most Influential:
**Nick Kennedy &
Kayla Harris**

Best Musician:
**Carol Fortman &
Quin Barclay**

Be on Saturday
Night Live: **Nic
Tynczuk &
Mallory Sanzeri**

Friendliest: **Tori
Sagen &
Charlie
Blanchard**

Class Clown:
**Davy Taylor
& Jamie
Schmidt**

Quietest: **Eric
Thomas-John
Yednock &
Heather
Brugoto-Anne
Sticksel**

Most Creative:
**Nick Gorski &
Brittney Rose**

Best Personality:
**Breezy Blanchard &
Tyler Dameron**

Most Organized:
**David Kelsey &
Vicky
Moungkhounsavath**

Most Likely to
be in the
Olympics:
**Kelly Mateas
& George
Visser**

Most Daring:
**Dianna Photopulos &
Dave Lam**

Most Easy-Going:
**Mary Hesterman &
Mitch Bridges**

Most Trendy:
**Natalie Russo &
Naman Patel**

Most Clumsy:
**Jessica Spaniol &
Dan Brogan**

Most Likely to
travel the world:
**Jazmine Martinez
& Kevin Adams**

.....compare.....evaluate.....reflect.....

Best Dancer:
Lauren Santelli & Erick Mariano

Best Dressed:
Marilyn Jacques & Larry Pope

Best Eyes:
Brittney Peters & Kevin Grobe

Best Hair:
Cassie Kleczewski & Joffrey Benter

Best Laugh:
Tracy Opel & Chris Dolan

Best Smile:
Gina Mangialomini & Travis Saville



Most Understanding:
Matt Rohn & Kayla Kramer

Most Intelligent:
Dustin Hedmark & Amanda Bass

Most Helpful:
Kellie Virnich & Nick Nolte

Most Confident:
Jerry Henning & Lauren Buscemi

Most Gullible:
Tom Stenslik & Carolyn Blackman

Most School Spirited:
Nathan Oelslager & Sara Kufta

Best Singer:
Erin Silk & Steve Migliorato

Most Likely to win a Nobel Peace Prize:
Naiya Panchal & Mark Halberg

Most Changed:
Andrew Singer & Kadi Flagg

Most Individualistic:
Trisha Kimber & Ben Seanor

Most Likely to Teach at We-Go:
KC Gronke & Amy Ackerman

Most likely to become famous:
Meg Jones & Eric Lauer

Most likely to be late for his/her own funeral:
Ashley Vargas-McAssey & Dennis Rocha

Most Likely to be president:
Danielle Romano & Dan Visser

Most Likely to be married with 8 kids:
Lindsey Wheeland & Eric Wiechert

Biggest Flirt:
Lesley Pfeifer & Alex Schneider

Honor

NHS Members Welcome 60 New Wildcats

Sixty juniors were inducted into the National Honor Society in November of 2005. In past years, juniors were not inducted into NHS until the end of the year. The early induction allowed for juniors to participate in the volunteering required, a minimum of 10 hours, by NHS Advisors **Ms. Jones** and **Ms. Jaeger**. "In the future I would like to have a more competitive GPA for NHS, but I am very satisfied that we were able to allow juniors to participate. Doing so leads to more community service opportunities," said **Ms. Jones**. With the help of President **Jessica Crawford** (06), Vice President **Lauren Buscemi** (06), Secretary **Kelly Mateas** (06) and Treasure **Naiya Panchal** (06), NHS member had a very successful year.

Some of the projects in which NHS members participated included Frosty Fest, We-Go 2 Africa, leaf raking for the elderly, and a turkey give-away in the fall. All projects went off without a hitch, especially the We-Go 2 Africa. For this project, members raised \$356 in a bake sale in April.

-**Stephanie Gore** and **Alfredo Guzman**



...According to **Ms. Jones**, "NHS members are not only academic role models and genuine leaders, they are also kind and compassionate individuals."



...Junior **Justin DePaz's** volunteer work at his church allows him to be inducted into NHS.



...**Scott Lichtfuss** (07) impacts many people in the community by volunteering at his church



...After a brief talk with Mr. Highland, **Merrick Doll** (07) is officially Initiated into the NHS family.



...**Kathleen Norton** (07) and **Kelly Jezior** (06) include volunteering at Saint Isidore Athletics in their already busy schedule.



...**Mrs. Jaeger** rewards **MaryPat Flanagan** (07) for her dedication at the DuPage Convalescent Center.



... "National Honor Society is all about leadership, service, and character," says President **Jessica Crawford** (06) during her speech at the ceremony.

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Recognize!

Excellence is Acknowledged for the Class of 2006

On June 2, 2006, family and friends gathered in Weyrauch Auditorium to recognize members of the Class of 2006 who excelled in academics and leadership. In addition to honoring the nine valedictorians and one salutatorian, the night involved awarding almost one million dollars in scholarship money.

According to Principal **John Highland**, the Valedictorians and Salutatorian almost never missed a day of school, having an attendance rate of 99.7 percent. These dedicated students included Salutatorian **Peter Tager** and Valedictorians **Amy Axelrod**, **Amanda Bass**, **Michelle Heron**, **David Kelsey**, **Andrew Lane**, **Kelly Mateas**, **Danielle Romano**, **Jared Vasiliauskas**, and **Lora Vodicka**.

Students receiving National Merit Scholarships included **Nicholas Gorski**, **Thomas Wood**, and **Carl Johnson**. **Jennifer Linsenmeyer** was honored with the Daughters of the American Revolution Outstanding Citizenship Award, and **Nicholas Nolte** received the Blue Wildcat Scholarship.

"The students we honor exemplify what it means to excel in academics, but these are more than students who do well on tests," said **Highland**. "These students serve as role models for their fellow classmates and make everyone at this high school feel proud to be a wildcat."

-The Yearbook Staff



... **Eric Lindner** proudly accepts the Community High School Alumni Association Scholarship presented by **Becky Koltz**.



... **Justine Egert**



... **Jennifer Kamphaus**, **Janette Leveille**, and **Sara Earhart** stand as they are recognized for the President's Education Award.



... **Dave Lam**



... **Amy Axelrod**



... **Kelly Mateas**



... **Lourdes Padilla** and **Ms. Malinsky**

"**Becoming** a Valedictorian has been my **goal** since freshman year. It was truly an **honor** to be **recognized** for that accomplishment, and I am proud to **represent** the Class of 2006."

-**Danielle Romano**



... **Danielle Romano** and **Mr. Highland**

.....**excel**.....**glorify**.....**deserve**.....

Graduate

Moving Tassels from Left to Right, Seniors Celebrate

With "Pomp and Circumstance" echoing in the background, more than 450 West Chicago graduates proudly walked across the stage in Bishop Gym during Commencement. As **Mrs. Westrom**, a West Chicago Board member, and **Mr. Highland** presented the hard earned diplomas, tears of sadness mixed with feelings of accomplishment overwhelmed every graduate. Nothing on this June afternoon could squelch the excitement in the air as the Class of 2006 earned the right to call themselves alumni of Community High School.

"I can't believe that we're graduating," said **Kellie Virnich**, adding, "When I entered West Chicago as a freshman I thought this day would never come but in reality the past four years have gone by in the blink of an eye. It is unbelievable that today is the day I have to say good-bye to my friends and teachers, but I know that I will never forget them and the special times we've shared as Wildcats."

As her fellow graduates listened intently, **Victoria Mounghounsavath** delivered the Senior Farewell. "I hope you will not forget what you have learned over the past four years," said **Mounghounsavath**. "And today, let us give thanks to our classmates for their friendship, our teachers for their dedication, and our parents for their love." Not only did **Mounghounsavath** congratulate her classmates for their successes, but also she encouraged them to remember those individuals who have helped them along the way.

Keynote Speaker, **Ms. Jones**, a member of the English Department, reflected on her We-Go memories from the past four years and encouraged seniors to do the same. She concluded her speech by quoting the song "Better Way" from Ben Harper: "Look this world straight in the eyes. You have a right to your dream. Don't be denied."

-Lesley Pfeifer



...Daniel Hoshaw accepts his diploma with excitement while he shakes **Mr. Highland's** hand.



... Angie Panozzo plays "Pomp and Circumstance" with the Orchestra before taking her seat with fellow graduates.

.....cry.....congratulate.....remember.....

••After **Kate Trush** receives the last diploma, members of the Class of 2006 throw their caps in unison.



Nick Nolte, Kevin Grobe, and Eric Wiechert



Michelle Heron and Mr. Reyes



Eric Lauer



Victoria Mounghounsavath



Francisco Mercado



Brandi Arwood



Adilene Chavez



Daniel Visser and George Visser

anticipate.....journey.....reminisce.....

Remember

Recalling Lullabies of the Past, Parents Wish Seniors a Lifetime of Joy and Happiness



Nicholas Kennedy

Nicholas,

May you always have...
friends to share your journey,
hope to light each mile,
work that hones your talents,
love that warms your smile,
wisdom for your problems,
comfort for your griefs,
faith in your convictions,
strength in your beliefs, goals
that are a challenge,
and **dreams** that take you far.
I celebrate the man
and son you are!

Love,
Mom

Lauren,

Congratulations

on your graduation!
You have completed
the first step towards
your ultimate goal- teaching.
Have fun & study hard at ISU.
You know that we are
always here for you.
Remember- Don't let fear
of striking out keep you from
playing the game!
We are very **proud** of you
and all that you have
accomplished.

Dreams do come true!

Love you,
Mom, Dad, Nick & Beeper



Lauren Buscemi



Naiya Panchal

Dear Naiya,

Congratulations.

We are **proud** of your
accomplishments. You have
grown into an intelligent lady.
I have confidence that
you can achieve anything.
Do your best, leave the rest
to almighty, and you are always
loved beyond words.
"Home is forever." You are my
sunshine, my heart's delight,
you complete me. Wish you the
best for college & beyond.
May God fulfill your **dreams**
& guide & protect you in all
aspects of life.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Karan,
& Ba Dada

Dear Danielle,

There are not enough
words to describe how **proud**
your family is of you!

You have grown into a
beautiful young lady in every
way imaginable.

You have worked so hard and
accomplished so much. As
you reach toward future
goals, we are confident your
efforts will be rewarded.

Remember, as you have done in
the past, continue
to take advantage of
everything life has to offer.

Always be the loving
and caring person you are
today!

Our **love** always,
Mom, Dad, Anthony
& Vincent



Danielle Romano



Brittney Peters

Brittney,

Dream big and set your
goals high. Spread your wings
and get ready to fly.
Beautiful inside and out
Reliable
Intelligent
Trustworthy
True Friend
Never a quitter
Energetic
You are awesome.

You can achieve anything
you set your mind to. We will
always be here with **love**
and support. Here's to a
wonderful and fulfilling future.
We **love** you very much,
Mom, Dad & Michael

Dear Tyler,

Words cannot express how
proud we are of
you. You've entertained us
with your humor and athletics,
and melted us with your smile
and heart of gold.

We've watched you grow
into an intelligent and caring
young man.

Not to say that there
weren't a few rough spots,
but you passed each
hurdle with dignity.

We wish you success in college
and wherever your life
leads you...

We **Love** you!
Mom & Dad



Tyler Dameron

.....believe.....Keep.....sniffle.....



Bethany Inch

Dear **Bufaluf**,

Your smile, your giggle,
and the sparkle
within you continues to
shine on us all.

Congratulations!!!!

Nous t'aimons,
**Dad, Mom,
Jessica & Billy**

Dear **Charlie**,

We are very **proud** of all
you've **achieved**.

You have always amazed us
with your commitment to your
school work.

Your dad loved you very much
and never doubted your
future success in life.

Love Always,
Mom & Scott



Charlie Blanchard



Lindsey Wheeland

Dear **Lindz**,

From the moment you were
born, you have been
the light of our lives.

We are so **proud**
of you!

We wish you lots of **love**
and happiness as you start
your new Journey in life.

We love you,
Mom & Dad

Mallory,

Our blonde haired, blue
eyed baby-
we are so **proud** of
everything you have done.
You continue to make us
proud. What a noble
profession you have chosen!
Yes, you will save the world.

Love,
**Mom, Dad, Chris,
Bridgette, Nick,
& Lola**



Mallory Sanzeri



Kadi Flagg

Kadi,

Keep up the good work.
You can achieve
anything you set
your mind on.

Congratulations!

Love you,
Mom & Dad

Nick,

We are **proud** of all you have
accomplished

and who you have become.
Good luck in college
and in everything you do.

Always **dream** big
and have fun!

We **Love** you,
**Dad, Mom,
& Sam**



Nick Nolte



De Anne Fitzenreider

De Anne,

I still remember your first day
of kindergarten, and now
you're graduating.

It was great to see
you excel in track.
We wish you the best
in college.

Love,
Mom & Dad

Tracy,

Wow! You have grown
to be a beautiful young lady.

You are filled with laughter
and smiles. May you teach
your **future** students
to laugh and smile
in life just as much as you do.

We are so **proud**; may your
future be bright.

Love,
**Mom, Dad, Stephanie,
CJ & Sarah**



Tracy Opel

.....**captivate**.....**mature**.....**develop**.....



Dear **Lupe**,

We are very **proud** of what you **accomplished**.

We wish you the best. Don't ever change the way you are.

Keep up the great work to reach your **dreams** that we are sure you will.

Sincerely,
Mom & Dad

Guadalupe Correa

Katie,

Congratulations!

Way to go! We are so **proud** of you. But when are you moving out?

Haha, just kidding.

Love always,
**Dad, Mom, Nick
& Jackie**



Katie Kostel



Dear **Mary**,

We cherish your life and anticipate your **future** with awe and joy.

We wish you success and happiness in college and with tennis.

Peace and **love**,
**Mom, Kurt, Karen,
Michael, & Comet**

Mary Hesterman

Dear **Lesley**,

It seems like just yesterday we celebrated your first birthday.

I'm so **proud** of all you have **accomplished**.

I love you,
Mom



Lesley Pfeifer



Jim,

Congratulations!

We know you will be **successful** in whatever your **future** holds.

Love,
**Dad, Mom,
Kelly & John**

Jim Siekmann

Jenna,

You are an **amazing** young woman: courageous, committed and caring.

Your passion and perseverance inspires us.

We are so **proud** of you for all that you have **accomplished**, but especially for who you have become. We hope for your continued happiness and success. May you enjoy your college days as much as we enjoy you!

Love,
Mom & Dad



Jennafer Bedard



Dear **Eric**,

You have become a remarkable young man with many talents.

We are so **proud** of you and your many **accomplishments**.

We wish you the world of success and happiness in your **future**.

Congratulations!
We **love** you!
**Mom, Dad, Jennifer
& Julie**

Eric Wiechert

Jonzee Evertt,

As I think back, it feels just like yesterday you were on your first bus ride. Now you have taken your last bus ride and have started a new journey into your **future**.

May God bless you with all your goals and **achievements** that are set ahead for you. **Congratulations!**

Love,
Mom



John Britton

.....admire.....compliment.....ensure.....



Paul,

We are so **proud** of all the success that you have **accomplished** through your four high school years. You have a brilliant **future** waiting for you. We will always be by your side.

We **love** you,
Mom & Dad

Paul Flores

Dear Kari,

We are **proud** of the beautiful person you are inside and out.

Congratulations on your cheerleading, softball, academic and leadership

accomplishments.

We are lucky and blessed to have you in our family!

Love,
Mom & Dad



Kari Johnson



Dear Andres,

It has been a hard year for us, but I am so **proud** of you. Dad would be proud of you too.

I **love** you so much. I wish you the best in college and beyond.

Congratulations!

Love,
Mom

Andres Acosta

Dear Jen,

I'm sending you off to college loaded with style, a mind of your own, and all my **love.**

You've always made me **proud** to be your mom.

I **love** you!
Mom



Jenny Linsenmeyer



Dear Kayla,

What a blessing it is to have you as a daughter.

You are smart, beautiful, humorous, thoughtful, caring and "so" unique! We know you will be **successful** in anything you put your mind to.

Just do your best and **enjoy** life!

Love (all to pieces),
Mom & Tim

Kayla Harris

Dear Carolyn,

We've watched you **grow** from a precious little girl into a beautiful and intelligent young lady.

We are so **proud** of all your **accomplishments.**

Love,
Mom & Dad



Carolyn Blackman



Dear Katie,

Congratulations on all your **accomplishments.**

We wish you all the **love** and happiness in the **future.**

Enjoy college and you'll always be our "Little Baby Boo!"

Love you XOXO,
Mom, Dad
& Kim

Katie Gargula

Dear Jordan,

We are so **proud** of you and all your **accomplishments.**

We enjoyed watching you grow into a considerate and responsible young man.

Congratulations on your graduation and good luck with college!

Love,
Mom & Dad



Jordan Meissner

dream.....recall.....appreciate....



Lauren Santelli

Lauren,

Everything grand starts
out simple...
test your wings and soar!

Love,

Mom, Dad, Alyssa
& Juliet

Dear Joe,

You've always been
our firecracker
since your July 4th birthday.
Good luck in college!
Always **dream** big.
We **love** you very much.

Mom, Dad,
John & Justin



Joseph Malandruccolo



Dianna Photopulos

Dear Dianna,

We are so very **proud**
of you
and your
accomplishments!
May God continue
to bless you
with a bright **future**.

Love,

Mom, Dad,
Andy & John

Our little Marilyn-

Apple of our eyes-
always interested,
always ready to go,
always beautiful.
Now she's off
to Indiana University.
Godspeed, we **love** you.

Mom & Dad



Marilyn Jacques



Eric Lauer

Dear Eric,

We are so **proud** of you.
Keep up the good
work in college
and beyond.

Love,

Mom, Dad
& Colleen

Dear Justine,

We are very **proud** of you.
Don't forget your **dreams**.
Anything you set your
mind to... you finish.
Good luck in college
and beyond.
Congratulations!

Love,
Mom & Dad



Justine Egert



April Crawford

Dearest April,

You have so much
to be **proud** of, sweetheart.
You've been more than
impressive with your
accomplishments in high
school. We are very **proud**
of you, and we wish you
the best of everything always.
Congratulations!

All our **love**,
Mom & Dad

Dear Matt,

We have always been so
proud of you.
To your own self be true. Never
lose this smile nor sight
of your **dreams**.
Let all others see you as we do.
Good luck in college
and always.
Congratulations!!!

Mom, Nicole
& Gram



Matt Albrecht

.....value.....photograph.....tribute.....



Kelly Mateas

Kelly,

Congratulations!!

We are extremely **proud** of all that you have achieved in high school. Your hard work and determination have let you **accomplish** all that you have set out to do whether in academics or athletics.

Best of luck at University of Northern Iowa with your education and swimming.

Love,

Dad, Mom, Brian,
& Doug

Greg-O,

Where did the time go? We are so **proud** of the man of character that you have become. May the next chapter of your life bring you as much **love** and blessings as you have given us.

With much Love,

Mom & Dad



Greg Dunn



Travis Saville

Dear **Trav**,

If you have the same determination in life that you do on the field, you'll be able to "tackle" anything!

Love,

Mom

Dear **Shannon**,

We are so **proud** of you as for as how you kept your grades up and were able to do track and cross country. You are an amazing daughter and we hope your **dreams** come true in college.

We **Love** You,

Mom & Dad

Shannon Fleming



Andrew Singer

Dear **Andrew**,

You will always be our smiling panda bear. We are very **proud** of your determination in **accomplishing** what you truly want. We wish you great success and happiness in your **future**.

Love,

Mom & Dad

Sam,

You've made us the **proud** parents of a beautiful, loving, and caring young woman, which makes your career choice in elementary education so profound. In August, you will start the next chapter of your life, and we will stand proudly as we watch you walk the path of your next journey.

Love,

Mom & Dad



Sam Lawson



Alicia Leonhardt

Alicia,

Forever our shining star... As you begin your newest journey, know that we will support and **love** you in all you do!

Mom & Dad

Dear **Cesar**,

I am so **proud** of your **accomplishments**. You made it all the way. From here on, many doors will open. Make sure you walk through the right ones.

Love,

Mom



Cesar Ariel Ortiz

.....adore.....savor.....hope.....

Senior Memories |



Jessica Crawford

Dear **Jess,**

Congratulations

on four wonderful
years of high school!
The great things in your life
are only just beginning.
Savor and enjoy them all.

We **love** you.
And as we have said many
times before,
"You're the best!"

Mom & Dad

Jerry,

From a baby to a little boy
that gave us lots
of joy.

To the special man
you are,
we know you'll go far.

Love,
Dad & Mom
XOXO



Jerry Henning



Michael Eberlein

Dear **Michael,**

It seems like only yesterday
you were going off
to Kindergarten.

We are so very **proud**
of you and all your
accomplishments
throughout your school years.

Congratulations
on your graduation, and we
wish you all the best as you
start your new journey
into college.

All our **love,**
Mom, Dad, & Erin

Dear **Kelly,**

You have grown
into an amazing
young woman.
We are so **proud** of you
and we **love** you very much.
All the best at ISU!

Love,
Mom, Kevin & Bryan



Kelly Jezior



Jennifer Soto

Jenny,

We are so **proud** of you.
We love you so much.
Keep **dreaming**
and always believe
in yourself.
You know you can get
anything you want
just push yourself.

Love,
Mom & Dad

Life's a beach, aye **Brian,**

Three time big wheel champ
and reigning soap box
derby winner, turn high school
Grad. It's been quite a ride.
Hope you had half the fun
growing up as we did
watching, cause that means
we had twice as much fun.

Congratulations
on all that's past and blessed
be your **future**.

Love eternal,
Mom & Dad



Brian Brewster



Gina Mangialomini

Gina,

You are a caring
and compassionate
daughter.

We are so **proud** of your
accomplishments thus far,
and we know that
you will continue
to achieve as you journey
into the next chapter
of your life.
Good luck with your **future!**

Love,
Mom & Dad

Dear **Shannon,**

We are extremely **proud**
of your **accomplishments**.
Best of luck at Upper Iowa
with your academics
and soccer.

Love,
Mom, Dad,
Kelsey & Taylor



Shannon Myers

.....**hug**.....**love**.....**confess**.....



Kayla Kramer

Kayla,

"Follow your dream...take one step at a time and don't settle for less, just continue to climb!" We are so proud of your determination, strength of character, forgiving heart, and **loving** attitude. No parents could ask for a better daughter! We are so **proud** of all that you have **accomplished**. You are the light of our lives and we will love you always!

Love,
Mom & Dad



Martha Kaczmarczyk

Dear Martha,

Congratulations- you've made it. We're proud of you and all your **accomplishments**. May your future bring you the happiness and **love** that you have brought to us. Much **success**!

Love,
Mom & Dad

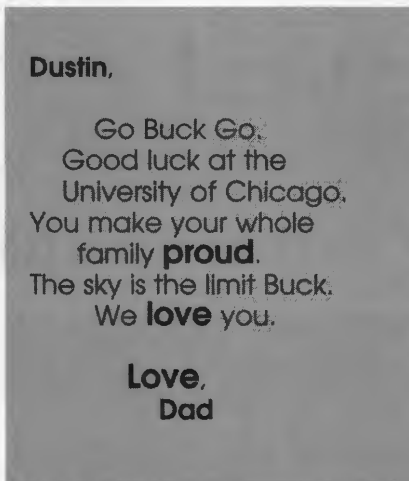


Vicky Mounghounsavath

Vicky,

We have always been so **proud** of you. Your determination and persistence will take you far. You have become such a beautiful person inside and out. With all that you have **accomplished**, we know you will succeed in whatever you choose. **Congratulations** and good luck at ISU!

Love,
Mom & Dad

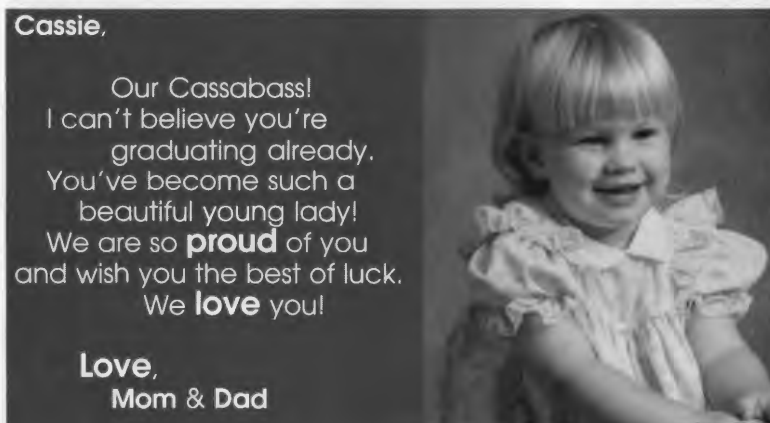


Dustin Hedmark

Dustin,

Go Buck Go,
Good luck at the University of Chicago. You make your whole family **proud**. The sky is the limit Buck. We **love** you.

Love,
Dad

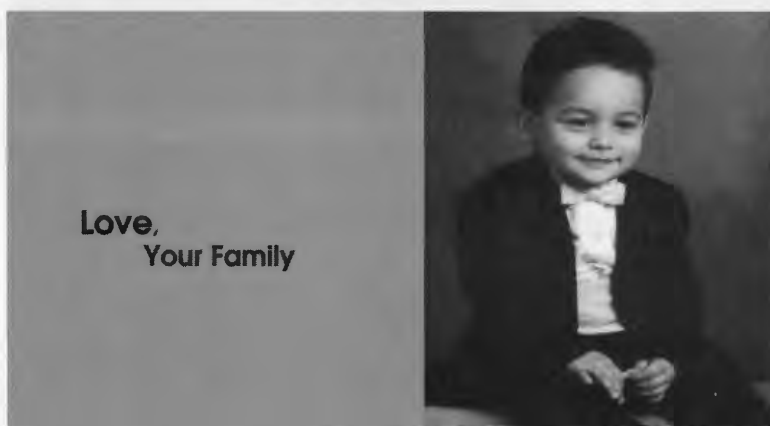


Cassandra Kleczewski

Cassie,

Our Cassabass! I can't believe you're graduating already. You've become such a beautiful young lady! We are so **proud** of you and wish you the best of luck. We **love** you!

Love,
Mom & Dad



Roel Martinez

Love,
Your Family

.....promise.....desire.....humiliate.....

Expand

Club T-shirt...\$10; Involvement in a Club... Priceless



...FBLA

FIRST ROW: Michael Deimling, Martha Kaczmarczyk, Anne Caputo, Amanda Conrad, Holly Hofer. **SECOND ROW:** Daniel Rizzo, Kristen Kotche, Rebecca Cisowski, Amy Axelrod, Hanna Colliander, Rachel Molinaro. **THIRD ROW:** Ms. Blume, Paul Warkins, Daniel Visser, Joe Majchrowski, Ismail Hassan, Garrett Jackowiec, Doug Selby. **FOURTH ROW:** Janelle Fischer, Christopher Jelen, Kevin Michaelson, Steve Szul, Elena Suarez, Allison Romanelli.



...THESPIANS

FIRST ROW: Sara Earhart, Tiffany Lorenzi, David Thomas, David Taylor. **SECOND ROW:** Daniel Visser, Steven Migliorato, Erin Silk, John Wagner. **THIRD ROW:** Owen Kerschner, Carl Kerschner, Jennifer Linsenmeyer, Jessica Leeseberg, Jazmine Martinez, Lora Vodicka, Paige Kulle.



...MIND'S EYE

FIRST ROW: Patricia Medina, Holly Hofer, Raquel Brummel. **SECOND ROW:** Daniel Dyrda, Ismail Hassan, Brian Adams. **THIRD ROW:** Maria Ortiz, Jennifer Kamphaus, Brendan Dyrda, Colin Bachelor, Mrs. Cobbett.



...SADD

FIRST ROW: Nalya Panchal, Ismail Hassan, Navy Neang. **SECOND ROW:** Mrs. Slobodecki, Kristin Schaefer, Caitlin Flood.

.....adjust.....ruminate.....prove.....



•••BEST BUDDIES

FIRST ROW: Austin Hall, Courtney Macko, Jessica Mitsch, Jenny Linsenmeyer, Paige Boudreau. **SECOND ROW:** Jesse Hacker, Margaret Scott, Amy Bytof, Kristin Goffinet, Jessica Bergmann. **THIRD ROW:** Ms. Vasquez, Guillermo Tony Perez, Jim Rood, Shawn Kiser. **FOURTH ROW:** Brandon Meler, Oscar Avila, Talla Sangert, Ashley McNeerney, Mitch Householder, Richardini Lopez, Lee Nolan, Mr. Sanzeri.



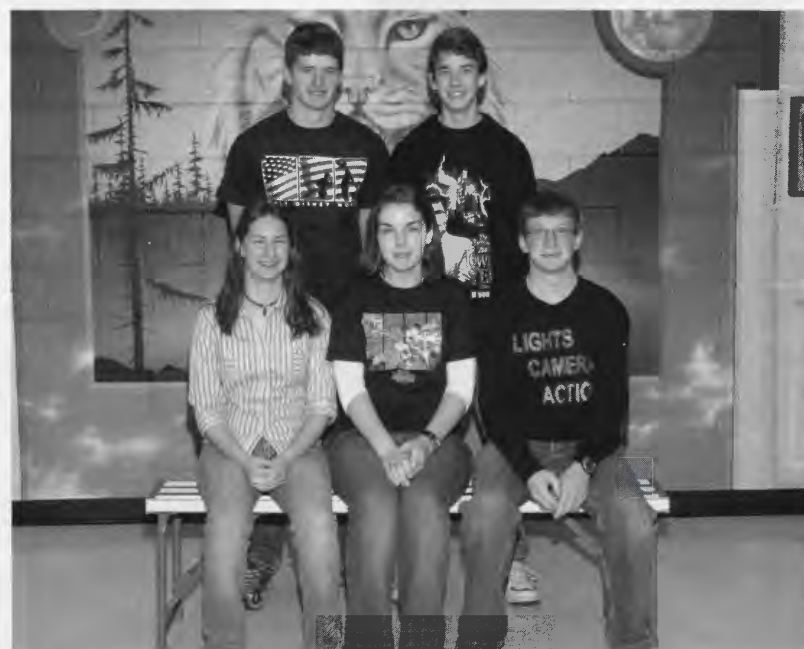
•••NEWSPAPER

FIRST ROW: Leah Kuzmicz, Katie Taylor, Kym McDaniel. **SECOND ROW:** Dave Thomas, Kayla Harris



•••PEER HELPING

FIRST ROW: Kelly Tinnes, Dianna Photopulos, Lindsay Wilson, Alexandria Mills. **SECOND ROW:** Samantha Schneider, Samantha Deaton, Amy Bytof, Rachel Chronowski, Kelsey Stewart. **THIRD ROW:** Leah Kuzmicz, Christy Liszka, Lauren Mascini, Julia Shallcross. **FOURTH ROW:** Jesus Perez, Maggie Stremel, Megan Muhr, Stacey Sams, Megan Peterson, Monika Kalicka, Jeffrey Danes, Christine Wondt.



•••TECH CREW

FIRST ROW: Amy Smolucha, Rachael Hasse, Scott Lichtfuss. **SECOND ROW:** George Visser, David Taylor.

banter.....extemporize.....integrate.....



•••ART CLUB

FIRST ROW: Patricia Medina, Rebecca Tianl. **SECOND ROW:** Maria Ortiz, Miriam Fernandez, Amanda VanGarse, Heather Brugoto, Nick Schultz. **THIRD ROW:** Navy Neang, Sarah Brugoto, Marybeth Fernandez, Jamilla Lloyd. **FOURTH ROW:** Michelle Delvalle, Maria Grablec, Heather Tricoll, Katarzyna Grablec, Brian Smith.



••• INTERNATIONAL CLUB

FIRST ROW: Kristen Johansen, Rebecca Tianl. **SECOND ROW:** Jessica Fernandez, Rachel Howe, Marco Reyes, Katie Taylor. **THIRD ROW:** Mrs. Appel, Tatiana Walz, Diana Martinez, Yesenia Sanchez, Jayne Zenker, Ms. Bellis.



•••YEARBOOK

FIRST ROW: Vicky Mounghounsavath, Kadi Flagg, Ms. Santella, Lauren Buscemi, Danielle Romano. **SECOND ROW:** Kayla Kramer, Cassie Kleczewski, Justine Egert, DeAnne Fitzenreider. **THIRD ROW:** Kiara Wolfe, Alicia Leonhardt, Stephanie Hish, Mary Hesterman. **FOURTH ROW:** Jenna Bedard, Marilyn Jacques, Katie Kostel. **FIFTH ROW:** Stephanie Gore, Paul Flores, Kim Norman, Alfredo Guzman.



••• LIFESMARTS

FIRST ROW: Nick Gorski, Daniel Dyrda, Kevin Michaelson, Jared Vasillauskas. **SECOND ROW:** Paul Warkins.

.....devise.....cast.....ad-lib.....

Farewell

We Say Goodbye to Friends and Remember Them Fondly

"Goodbye"

I said goodbye today
to a **friend** that meant so much.
I wouldn't leave his grave,
it was surrounded by his **touch**.
It's as if he never really left,
his spirit is **always** there.
I just **wish** he knew
how much we really care.

I said goodbye today
to a friend that meant **so** much.
What I **wouldn't** do
to let him know how much
he **changed** the way I think,
and the things I take for granted.
I'll **never** forget his smile
and his hysterical laughter.
I just wish he knew
How much we **really** care.

I said **goodbye** today
to a friend that meant so much.
I'm **sorry** I never told him
all I wanted to say.
I know we'll see each other
one **sweet** day.

I said goodbye today
to a **friend** that meant so much.
A golden heart stopped beating,
a **priceless** life laid to rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us
he only takes the **best**.

-Mallorie Ott (06)

In Loving
Memory Of
**Kyle
Hobday**
1988-2006



In Loving
Memory Of
**Marco A.
Garcia**
1991-2006



...commemorate....miss....sympathize....

It's Time to Search for Your Favorite Wildcat!

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