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Centralia High School Alma Mater

Black and White our colors flying, Emblem of the true, O'er the prairie breezes flying, High school here's to you.
Centralia High School now endearing are thy colors clear.
Centralia High School let our cheering, praise thee far and near.

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Row 1: Karson Preston, Jade Jones, Jordan Meyers, Hannah Gudde Row 2: Jordan Roberts, Ed Fisher, Landon Gray
Not pictured: Whitney Orth (Wagner photo)


## publications

Publications introduces students to the basic principles involved in writing for a newspaper and working on a yearbook. Curriculum is structured around the Journalism Education Association standards. Publications students whould have a fairly high level of skill in either composition or photography upon entering the class.


Senior Jordan Meyers puts the finishing touches on the cheerleading layout.
(Ed Fisher photo)


Seniors Jade Jones and Ed Fisher work on Adobe PageMaker yearbook layouts in the math lab. (Jordan Meyers photo)
"I never did very well in math--I never could persuade the teacher that I hadn't meant my answers literally." --Calvin Trillin

## Math Department Adds Airliners

## to its Curriculum

Smartboards last year. Airliners this year. The math department keeps up with technology! With the AirLiner wireless slate one can interact wirelessly with a Smartboard or Sympodium interactive pen display from 52 feet ( 16 m ) away. The battery-free tethered pen lets one control any software application, write notes and highlight information in digital ink.

AirLiner wireless slate enables instructors to teach from anywhere and allows students to interact with information from their seats. Multiple slate users can write at the same time as someone at the Smartboard.

Using their Smartboards, math teachers also video/ audio taped their lessons when they were absent or for students to view who were absent. In the spring, the department hosted a workshop, teaching other math instructors their technology knowledge.


Kyle Wilkison scratches his head as he ponders the answer to this math problem. (Whitney Orth photo)

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Brooklyn Stephens and Anna Reeves work with math manipulatives. (Whitney Orth photo)


## THEORY GUIDES,

## EXPERIMENT DECIDES

CHS offers four required sciences courses and four science electives: physical science, biology, conceptual chemistry, chemistry, advanced biology,


Tonya Schmidt demonstrates an experiment in a general chemistry class. (Hannah Gudde photo)
advanced chemistry, physics, and anatomy and physiology.

Physics students ide an elevator to go up and down.

Debbie Lindsey and Dayken Dollens read a biology assignment during class.
(Hannah Gudde photo)


Sara Bunker reviews with her students before a test.
(Hannah Gudde photo)

## "Those who cannot learn from history are doomed to repeat it." George Santayana

## Making History

Social studies teachers Becky Aguayo, Mike Hann, and Jeff Martin amped up their curriculum this year by trying new things in the classroom in addition to the old.Between the three of them, they teach the following courses: American history, world history, American government, United States history, world civilizations, and general psychology.

Several guests were added to students' classroom experiences. In addition, Martin's students hosted a mock presidential election to coincide with our national election, and six students in Hann's classes participated in National History Day. Three of those six qualified for state competition in the historical research paper category, senior division. They were Sierra Angell (Harry Truman and the atomic bomb), Katy Asher (Alice Paul and women's suffrage), and Sam Davis (Clara Barton and the founding of the Red Cross).


Military veteran talks to freshmen about his experiences.

Applying historical theories takes a lot of thought!


Spring semester student teacher Mr. Mormann helps Aaron Kroeger with an assignment.


The psychology class hypnosis guinea pigs.(Courtney Mundy photo)
"WORDS ARE SACRED. THEY DESERVE RESPECT. IF YOU GET THE RIGHT ONES, IN THE RIGHT ORDER, YOU CAN NUDGE THE WORLD A LITTLE." TOM STOPPARD


Poetry Out Loud Local Winners:
runnerup Jeanie Richards and first place winner Chelsea Blackwell. Blackwell came in as second runner up in the Northeast Missouri District Competition in Hannibal. (Linda Schafer photo)

> "TDe muite to taste life twice." Anais elin ship.
Boone Electric Youth Tour Finalists


Amanda Reeves

Voice of Democracy Winners
Mallory Henry
Ben Jennings
Elaine Martin

## Communication Arts Instructors

## Continue Reading Study with MU Professor

For a second year, CHS communication arts instructors received a grant from the MU Partnership for Educational Renewal. As a result, they worked with MU professor Shannon Cuff on literature circles, reading workshop, Socratic seminar, and technology. CHS was one of 22 Missouri school districts who participated in the partner-


Melana Salisbury
Salisbury earned a finalist's spot, for which she received an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. this summer.


Mrs. Schafer's B-2 LA I class work on their nonfiction gameboards. (Linda Schafer photo)

# Español uno, dos, y tres! <br> By the completion of all Spanisĭ courses, students will be 

 able to speak, read, understand and write in Spanish. Students start communicating at a basic level of Spanish. These classes help students expand on topics by using their Spanish speaking and writing skills.Spanish teacher Claire Lea helps Spanish II student, Sarah Keith, type a paper in Spanish. (Hannah Gudde photo)


Dakota Noonan, Ben McCord, and Meagan Kroeger show off Miss Lea's Peace Corps clothes. (Claire Lea photo)


Chelsea Blackwell, Ben McCord, and a foreign exchange student play a Spanish game.

## Preparing students for family, career, and work



Kaylena Albright, Brooke McCoy, and Katey Kaiser prepare crab ragoon. (Jade Jones photo)

Felicia McCann started on her se wing project by threading her needle.
(Jade Jones photo)


Ally Clark pins down her pajama pants pattern.
(Jade Jones photo)
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## Business Students Master Skills to Keep Up With Technology

The CHS business department offers 15 business courses for CHS students. Taught by Brian Brown and Andrew Reynolds, the courses offered are introduction to business ( 1 credit), computer applications ( 1 credit), introduction to digital media ( 1 credit), multimedia applications ( 1 credit), business management ( $1 / 2$ credit), graphic arts/ desktop publishing ( 1 credit), entrepreneurship ( $1 / 2$ credit), business law ( 1 credit), Accounting I (1 credit), Accounting II (1 credit), personal finance ( $1 / 2$ credit), web design ( 1 credit), computer programming ( 1 credit), introduction to informa

page designed by Landon Gray


## The Classroom and Community Merge with the

## Vocational Work Program

The vocational work program is a class where students are graded on how they work at their jobs within the local community. Students in the class must work in the Centralia school district and hold a job in order to be able to pass the course. The students learn about banking, investing, owning a business, and about searching for a career. The course allows only senior students to work during the day.


Senior Harrison Washington works the grill at Sonic. Other VWP working students were Haley England and Landon Gray (C \& R Market), and Greg Gibson (Walt Erickson's Used Cars).
(Landon Gray photo)
During their employment, students learn job skills of the
occupation of their choice. The classroom is designed to improve
these skills. In addition to working outside of the classroom, students are expected to work in the classroom on improving thei job skills and surviving in the working world. Because of the extended time involved, the course is worth three credits.

## Practical Arts



Dylan Dick trims up a piece of wood for his wall rack. (Hannah Gudde photo)


Josh Bell and Tyler Spears line up wood to make a c 1 i p board.
(Hannah $G u d d e$ photo)


Lianna Spurling shows off her wall rack made in advanced wood working.
(Hannah Gudde photo)


Mr. Hight tallies up grades for end of the year projects. (Hannah Gudde photo)

Principles of technology provides basic information and "hands on" experience in the areas of drafting.

Woodworking I offers the knowledge of the different types of woods, machine safety, and uses of wood.

Advanced woods is an advanced woodworking class. Students learn about proper care and maintenance of power equipment and types of wood joints.

Drafting is the study of communication of ideas through the use of graphic language.

Ag students made holiday wreaths and gingerbread houses (below). (Jade Jones and Hannah Gudde phptos)

## Agriculture Education

The CHS agriculture department offers 15 ag. classes: Agriculture Science I (1 credit), Agriculture Science II (1 credit); agribusiness sales and marketing and management ( 1 credit); food science and technology ( 1 credit); agricultural communications and leadership ( 1 credit),;Agricultural Power I ( $1 / 2$ credit); Agricultural Power II ( $1 / 2$ credit); agricultural structures ( 1 credit); agricultural construction (1 credit); greenhouse operation and management ( 1 credit); floriculture ( 1 credit); wildlife, coservation, and forestry ( 1 credit); advanced animal science ( 1 credit); veterinary science ( 1 credit); topics in international agriculture and marketing ( 1 credit); and supervised agricultural experience co-op (3 credits).

For the holidays, the ag department hosted its annual ag building open house for community members to view poinsettias and projects.


Melissa McBride brought one of her goats to Lori Lewis' class in the fall. Jace Bohlmeyer and Trevor Kinkead pretend to milk her.
(Linda Schafer photo)

Clockwise: Matt McKenzie, Brent Erisman, Sarah Stickney, Matthew Welch, Josh Graf, Darren Dubes, Kendra Moore. Not pictured is Larry Stickney (Wagner photo)

Matt McKenzie takes a break between classes before rushing off to his next technology job.

(Above) Larry Stickney hard at work on his computer.


Computer techs worked with the technology department and performed duties as assigned. This is an instructor approved program, students must maintain a 2.5 or higher grade point average, have an above $90 \%$ attendance, and have no serious discipline referrals.

Technology department members Amy Blades, Matt McKenzie, Seth Henry, and Brent Erisman stayed extremely busy troubleshooting, instructing the eMints teach ers, holding Mac Monday workshops, helping teach ers create WebQuests, Moodles, and providing one-on-one training where needed.

Amy Blades looks at Help desk tickets.
(Landon Gray photo)


## Education

Champion Academy commenced its fifth year in August 2008. In addition to their scholastic responsibilities, Champion Academy students continued to be involved in service learning projects: summer daily trash pickup at the City Park, Centralia Public Library inventory, working at the local food pantry twice a month, registering high school students to vote, and stuffing "Welcome Wagon" bags for Centralia newcomers.

Two open houses were held this year: October 22 and April 30. Eight students graduated May 16. They were Travis Griggs, Scott Hartegan, Amber Jesse, Dustin Knight, Cadie Lane, Derek Raps, Cody Smith, and Drew Zoellers. Graduates selected industrial technology teacher Mike Hight to be their commencement speaker.


Clockwise: Dawnelle Peters and Derek Raps work in the public library as part of their service learning project; Champion Academy, located on Rodemyre Street, is in its fifth year of operation; CA faculty and students: Cody Smith, Amber Jesse, Dawnelle Peters, Dustin Knight, Scott Hartegan, Travis Griggs, Derek Raps, Bobbie Tetley, Samantha Tiffany, and Debbie Harper; Public librarian and CA board member Patt Olsen conducts a book talk at Spring Garden restaurant with CA students; Scott Hartegan works on a project; Dustin Knight checks over his work before turning it in; Dawnelle Peters also completes an assignment. (Guard,

Hannah Gudde and Linda Schafer photos)

# Hart <br> Career Center 

Mexico Area Vocational Technical School is one of 59 vo-tech schools in the state. It serves junior and senior students from Centralia, Community R-VI, Fulton, Mexico, Montgomery County RII, North Callaway, Paris, Van-Far, and Wellsville-Middletown. The school also serves adults from the Northeast corner of Missouri. This facility opened in 1968 and serves 450-500 students each year in its daytime classes.

Courses offered at the career center are Agricultural Machinery/Diesel Technology I \& II, Auto Collision Technology I \& II, Automotive Technology I \& II, Building Trades I \& II, Child Care Management I \& II, Commercial Maintenance I \& II, Electronics Technology I \& II, Health Occupations I \& II, Machine Tool Technology I \& II, Welding Technology I \& II, and Graphic Arts Occupations.


Hart Career Center is located in Mexico, Missouri.

> (Linda Schafer photo)


Junior Jeff Pilgram advanced to state skills competition after winning the Northeast Missouri district SkillsUSA contest. SkillsUSA is a national nonprofit organization that serves a quartermillion high school students, college students, and professional members.
 Champions at Work

## Health classes

Topics included exercise, fitness, nutrition, human development, human relationships, family health, family history, diseases, dynamics, developmental disabilities, issues in sexuality, self-defense, and understanding emotions. Instructor Jill Angell presented the lessons and augmented with many outside presenters and guest speakers.


Students listen to a drug panel talk about their experiences. (Jade Jones photo)


Mrs. Angell describes the effects of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome. (Whitney Orth photo)

## Physical Education

This class introduces students to a variety of lifetime fitness activities as well as wellness concepts. Students participate in a daily fitness program as well as team and individual activities to promote a healthy life style.


Will Evans and Tyler Wright doing
the "Dance, Dance Revolution."
(Jordan Meyers photo)


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## Visual



## Arts



Mrs. Doris Wood's art classes sent their artwork to Highland High School where two judges critiqued it, along with many other pieces of art work.
Each judge had his/her preference for the "Best of Show." The best of show winner from CHS was Brittany Taylor. Other winners from Centralia included Lea Bright, 2nd for pen and ink; Alli Hopkins, 3rd for colored pencil; Melana Salisbury, 1st for watercolor and 3rd for graphics; A aron Schwennesen, Ist for pastel and sculpture, 2nd for printmaking; AJ Henry,
 2nd for pastel; Mekka Garcia, honorable mention for ceramics and sculpture; Matt Romine, 1st for printmaking; Nic Ford, 1st for graphics; and Jace Bohlmeyer, honorable mention for sculpture and 3rd for charcoal.

CHS earned honors, too, at the CCC art show: Brittany Taylor, Best of Show colored pencil; Melana Salisbury, 1st in watercolor, 2nd in graphic design; Aaron Schwennesen, 1st in oil pastels, 2nd in printmaking, 3rd in sculpture; Matt Romine, 1st in printmaking; Nic Ford, 1st in graphic design; Lea Bright, 2nd in pen/ink; AJ Henry, 2nd in pastels; Alli
 Hopkins, 3rd in colored pencil; Jace Bohlmeyer, 3rd in char-
 coal, HM sculpture; Mekka Garcia, HM sculpture, HM pottery; Junior Alli Hopkins won second place Jamie Eaves, HM in the 11th-12th grade division of the ink;marker; Joel Missouri Art Educators Association. Bohlmeyer, HM ink/ Her $18^{\prime} \times 24$ " work, titled "Close Encounter," took five months to complete.

## Fine Arts

 Night

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CHS Flag Corps: Olivia Elam, Kylynn Cook, Ashley Brooks, and Kristen Clark (Wagner photo)


CHS Drum Majors: Lauren Burkhardt and Kelsay Reichert
(Wagner photo)


CHS Jazz Band: Makayla Nadler, Elaine Martin, Aaron Seider, Jamie Eaves, Aaron Albright, Allie Smith, Kylynn Cook, Nels Anderson, Charlie Besalke, Jadria Roberts, Jordan Roberts, Jayden Roberts, and Michael Collins
(Wagner photo)


CHS Drumline: Nels Anderson, Charlie Besalke, Jadria Roberts, and Jordan Roberts (Wagner photo)


Travis Banks and Olivia Elam were voted as band king and queen. (Guard photo) ing.

Travis Banks earned a I for his performance at districts and went on to state. The symphonic band also earned a I for both playing and sight-read-


On April 6 the CHS jazz band played for the CBMS students during their morning assembly. (Ann Seider photo)

CHS Symphonic Band: Makayla Nadler, Elaine Martin, Aaron Seider, Aaron Albright, Lauren Burkhardt, Ashley Carlson, Olivia Elam, Dirctor Bryan Koerner, Austin McCoy, Kelsay Reichert, Lauren Liegey, Kylynn Cook, Marcus Bailey, Austin Reichert, Jamie Eaves, Rachel Beck, Travis Banks, Allie Smith, Dalton Reeves, Lane Martin, Matthew Reichert, Michael Collins, Nels Anderson, Charlie Besalke, Kristen Clark, Jordan Roberts, and Jadria Roberts
Not pictured: Emaly Lewis
(Wagner photo)



The orchestra stands up to applause!
(Joyce Roberts photo)



High school orchestra members: Chelsea Griffin, Alec Ford, Sydnae Hatton, Stephanie Sons, Savannah Angell, Casey Coronado. Not pictured: Amelia Jennings, Kelsie Massey, and Andrea King
(Wagner photo)

This is the first year for a CHS orchestra. Orchestra is for the continued training of string musicians. Students continued sight reading exercises as well as worked on shifting and vibrato. Leah Rolfson started the orchestra two years ago when this year's freshmen were in the seventh grade. They have performed in many concerts including Fine Arts Night on May 13.

The orchestra performs at Fine Arts Night.
(Joyce Roberts photo)



Auctioneer Bob Fair asks Brenda Kehl for a higher bid during the auction. (Guard photo)


Jana Clark and Eva Coen help out at the band's chili supper before the performances. (Guard photo)


Mr. Koerner conducts the Centralia High School symphonic band at the pie auction. The auction continued between different bands' performances.
(Guard photo)

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> On March 14, 2009, the hand parents held a chili supper and pie auction for friends and family. The middle school hands and the high school hand performed at the concert. Between each bandis performance, auctioncer Bob Fair and his assistants raised a lot of money for the band department. Many different kinds of pies were present. The chili supper ran from 4:00 to 6:00. The hand concert then started at $6: 30$.


## Band Royalty

Travis Banks and Olivia Elam were voted the CHS band king and queen the night of the pie auction. Will Mustain and Skylar Taylor were the middle school prince and princess.

## 8 Vocal Groups Compete at State

CHS vocal music teacher Leah Rolfson instructs three classes of students: the mixed choir, the concert choir, and the chamber choir. Mixed choir is for any and all students who wish to better their musical abilities. Training was given in sight singing, ear training, and music from all periods. Research on a current performer was completed and presented to the class. Students also performed at concerts and the madrigal. Students were also responsible for quarterly after-school activities.

Concert choir members were a select group of auditioned singers in grades 9-12 who demonstrated through past performances and auditions certain abilities of vocal performance. An intermediate level of sight singing and ear training was taught to the students. That choir studied music of different cultures and time periods with the purpose of not just performance but to better their understanding of the history and purpose of music in our world and culture. That class performed at concerts, the madrigal and contests.

Chamber choir was an extremely select ensemble of not more than 30 top singers in grades 10-12 who, through their performances and auditions, demonstrated a high level of vocal performance and interest. Members of that ensemble performed at concerts, the madrigal, musicals, home football games, other selected games, and community events.

Eight vocal groups qualified for state competition: soloists Josh Admire, Katie Asher, Sean Brix, Baylee Hardman, Shane Henry, and Josh Thorp; octet members Hardman, Logan Reeder, Emily Drake, Olivia Elam, Asher, Lauren Liegey, Kristen Clark, and BeccaVeazey; and the men's trio of Admire, Brix, and Matthew Reichert.


One of the choir classes hard at work practicing for their upcoming performance.


All District Choir
row 1: Makayla Nadler, Taylor Hudson, Michael Robertson, Chelsey Miles, Chelsea Griffin. row 2: Lauren Liegey, Aaron Albright, Baylee Hardman.
Lauren Liegey, Aaron Albright, Baylee Hardman.
(Wagner photo)

## Concert Choir

row 1: Taylor Friedli, Joshell Dennis, Stacia Moore, Ashley Carlson, Koty Hutson, Stuart Cox, Mitch Schmidt, Bridgett Hamilton, Chelsea Griffin, Sydnae Hatton; row 2: Erica Cornett, Amber Kendall, Taylor Hudson, Mary Bardwell, Chelsey Miles, Jake Thompson, Tony Swanson, Anna Reeves, Morgan Preston, Jordan Meyers, Carly Evans, Kelsey Benoit; row 3: Hannah Welch, Kallie Statum, Rachel Beck, Jacob Leighton, Andy Coulter, Kaylee Jacobi, Jadria Roberts, Taylor Gramke, Paige Horton, Erin Andrews; row 4: Makayla Nadler, Emily Stephens, Cameron Webb, Matthew Guinnip, Billy Edwards, Justin Timbrook, James Couch, Greg Gibson, Katie Martin; row 5:Desi Baucom, Amanda Smith, Debra Lindsay, Nick Johnston, Aaron Albright, Zack Marcum, Skyler Dingwell, Nels Anderson, Connor Brooks, Emma Timbrook; row 6:Lex Clarkson, Veronica Lee, Kyle Wilkison, Josh Hockman, Sam Hunt, Cameron Cloven, Michael Mahieu, Jessica Bell
(Wagner photo)


## Chamber Choir

row 1: Angela Freeman, Melana Salisbury, Olivia Elam, Jacque King, Kristen Clark, Katie Asher, Lauren Liegey;row 2:Baylee Hardman, Amber Duncan, Logan Reeder, Dalton Reeves, Matthew Reichert, Jay Bell, Kendra Moore, Becca Veasey;row 3: Josh Admire, Shane Henry, Josh Thorp, Jacob Vangilder, Michael Robertson, Jenna Wheeler;;row 4: Sean Brix, Shane Kottwitz, Dakota Noonan. (Wagner photo)

## Mixed Choir

row 1: Andi Blackwell, Jennifer Mills, Morgan Creel, Kaylee Creel, Kiara Moore, Autumn Orth, Karli McCubbin; row 2: Kaitlyn Smith, Ashley George, Gabby Humphrey, Amber Orth; row 3: Austin McBride, Chase Jones, Trevor Liptak, Daniel Husky, James Orenduff; row 4: Josh Price, Alex Warbritton, Caleb Moore, Marc Schmidt, Hayden Everett, Gentry Pemberton; row 5: Barrett Powell, Lucas Caples, Curtis Papen, Levi Dickerson. (Wagner photo)


## Madrigal

## Mertonsire and the Pirate's Tale December 4-5, 2008

The Centralia High School 24th annual madrigal was held in the CHS cafeteria the first Thursday and Friday nights in December. This year's theme was "Mertonsire and the Pirate's Tale," which is a comic story taking place on an island off the coast of England in 1507.

Mertonsire and Jester met three pirates who were searching a treasure but pretending not to be pirates so Mertonsire and Jester would not discover who they really were. Other characters were Admiral Anchorbottom, the king, the queen, royal guards, and the royal court. The main cast included 27 members, but the entire production crew consisted of approximately 120 members, which included the CHS chamber and concert choirs, the brass quintet and the orchestra. Mixed choir members served guests with a royal dinner, which included Caesar salad, ham steak, red potatoes, spicy green beans, apple crisp and bread. Guests could choose between wassail, tea, lemonade, or water for beverages.

The two-night production was directed by middle school math teacher Scott Long and CHS vocal music director Leah Rolfson.


Music director Leah Rolfson directs chamber choir as they perform. (Karson Preston photo)


Emily Drake and Amber Duncan, chamber choir members, pray while singing.
(Karson Preston photo)


Chamber choir sings on stage for the audience.
(Karson Preston photo)


Senior choir members Jordan Meyers, Erica Cornett, Katie Asher, Jacque King, Angela Freeman, and Joshell Dennis sing to Brian Schmidt.
(Karson Preston photo)


Guards Dakota Noonan and Josh Thorp guard the entrance.
(Karson Preston photo)


Chamber choir members Dalton Reeves, Brandon Kinkead, and Josh Admire sing to Robin Meyers.
(Karson Preston photo)



Jacque King, Logan Reeder, and Baylee Hardman act out a part from "Mertonsire and the Pirate's Tale."
(Jordan Meyers photo)


Jester Katie Asher
(Karson Preston photo)


Captain Jacque King peeks around to listen for a secret. (Karson Preston photo)
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 -eaders of $A_{\text {mata }}$

Row 1: Jayden Roberts, Michael Mahieu, Kylynn Cook, Jake Lichman, Amanda Reeves, Darren Dubes; Row 2: Charlie Besalke, Josh Graf, Kati Dieckmann, Jamie Mundy, Shari Brunner, Dustin Stanton, Aaron Seider, Lucas Caples, Joshell Dennis, Katy Asher, Jennifer Crum; Row 3: Racheal Christen, Clayton Cloven, Jade Jones, Shauna Cox, Kassi McCubbin, Gina Olsen, Brooklyn Stephens, Morgan Preston, Logan Reeder, Matthew Welch, Kendra Moore, Melana Salisbury, Amanda Sullivan; Row 4: Josh McCollum, Katie Martin, Carly Evans, Morgan Creel, Molly Maddox, Kelsey Benoit, Kristen Clark, Caitlin Jeffries, Jesse Everhart, Ben Jennings, Anthony Miles; Row 5: Rachel Etzler, Kaylee Jacobi, Dakyn Dollens, Scott Rodgers, Ben McCord, Grant Elsbury, Travis Banks, Paul Leykamp, Jeremy Breedlove; Row 6: Brian Brown, Andrew Reynolds (Wagner photo)


FBLA co-president Jake Lichman (Michael Mahieu photo)

Michael Mahieu, treasurer; Darren Dubes, co-vice president; Jake Lichman, co-president; Kylynn Cook, co-president; Amanda Reeves, co-vice president; Emily Drake, secretary; Jayden Roberts, reporter
(Andrew Reynolds photo)


Andy Coulter, Kaylea Jacobi, Ally Clark, and Amanda Reeves on the October 4th Six Flags trip. (Andrew Reynolds photo)
Page designed by Jade Jones

FBLA Halloween party (Andrew Reynolds photo)


Centralia placed third at district contest (Andrew Reynolds photo)



Photos taken from the FCCLA state leadership conference in Columbia and the regional FCCLA meeting in Wentzville.


Row 1: Jenna Wheeler, Kylynn Cook, Amanda Willmeth, Joshell Dennis, Amanda Sullivan, Shelby Reeder, Lacy Baucom, Chelsea Griffin, Josh Admire; Row 2: Sarah Keith, Emaly Lewis, Dakota Vanderpool, Jacque King, Kristen Clark, Hannah Gudde, Katey Kaiser, Brittany Taylor, Chelsea Davis; Row 3: Stacia Moore, Veronica Posey, Amanda Reeves, Rachael Christen, Billy Edwards, Lydia Spillane, Marla
 Robinson, Becca Veazey, Brooke McCoy, Meghan Price; Row 4: Logan Reeder, Carly Evans, Molly Maddox, Amanda Smith, Taylor Hudson, Angela Freeman, Kathy Brown

Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America 29


Tara Fountain identifies eggs.

> (James Smith photo)


Marc and Mitch Schmidt work with their sheep at the Missouri State Fair. (James Smith photo)


Sierra Angell at the Labor Auction fundraiser.
(James Smith photo)


The national FFA organiza tion is dedicated to making a positive difference in the lives of students by develop ing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.


Dustin Stanton, Shari Brunner and Elaine Martin are three of the five Centralia FFA members who earned recognition at the state convention in Columbia. The other two are Sierra Angell and Matt Schmidt. (James Smilh photo)


Row 1: Tyler Martin, Tara Fountain, Samantha Bowne, Shari Brunner, Casey Crow, Kelsay Brown, Sierra Angell, Elaine Martin, Haley Webb, Dustin Stanton, Cody Lynch; Row 2: Abby Sudbrock, Makayla Nadler, Kati Dieckman, Austin McCoy, Robert Oliver; Row 3: Michael Mahieu, Paul Leykamp, Matthew Welch, Katie Martin, Kelsey Benoit, Jessica Bell, Jennifer Mills, Savannah Angell, Alex Blackwell, Jamie Eaves, Katy Foster, Andrew Power; Row 4: Sloane Forrest, Haley England, Marc Schmidt, Marcus Haley, Caleb Gesling, Emily Crow, Shelby Burnett, Matt Ingebritson, Sadiqa Saleh, Gabrielle Martin; Row 5: Jensyn Angell, Jake Thompson, Dakota Gilbert, Erica Cornett, Garrett Sims, Brady Creel, Dylan Richardson, Leslie Rice, Gina Olsen, Paige Horton, Barrett Powell, Mitch Schmidt, Jace Bohlmeyer, Sam Hunt, Jeremy Breedlove, Veronica Posey, Ashley Brooks, Andi Blackwell, Carly Evans, Stuart Cox, Koty Hutson, Braunson Nichols; Row 6: Ben McCord, Brooke Hann, Alex Warbritton, Austin McBride, Melissa McBride, Lane Martin, Tommy Cunningham, Willie Ferrell, Alec Ford, Chase Jones, Josh Hockman, Cameron Webb (Wagner photo)

> FFA chapter banquet Farmer and merchant breakfast
> FFA contests FFA convention Canned food drive FFA breakfast brunches FFA volunteer day FFA week FFA pool party Shop hockey Labor auction fundraiser


FFA instructor was honored in April as the Northeast MSTA High School Teacher of the Year

Future Teacher
of America


Future Teachers of America (FTA) is for students interested in the teaching profession. This organization meets the first and third Thursdays every month. With only a small group of members, FTA worked hard to serve their community throughout the 2008-2009 school year. Club sponsor JoDean Newsted and the few members raised enough money through their change collection at Chance Elementary School to give three separate classes a party.

Missy Preston's kindergarten class raised the most money, earning them a pizza party. Sarah Daum's and Mandy Lafferty's classes also received sundae and cookie parties. Overall, the school raised over $\$ 1,100$, which went to needy families for Christmas. FTA members took the names off of trees around town and purchased clothes, toys, etc., as presents for the less fortunate.

FTA members also babysat for PTA meetings once a month.
Missy Preston's kindergarten class won the FTA pizza party. (Karson Preston photo)

Future Teachers of America
Row 1: Mallory Henry, Jordan Meyers, Karson Preston and Alex Blackwell Row 2: Felicia McCann, Samantha Davis, Ann Marie Klues, Tyler Wright and Jordyn Tolliver (Wagner photo)


## SKRUBS

Row 1: Amanda Willmeth, Sierra Angell, Lucy McGowan, Jordan Meyers, Jace Bohlmeyer, Mallory Henry, Mekka Garcia, Tonya Schmidt; Row 2: Ann Marie Klues, Paul Leykamp, Ben Jennings, Elaine Martin, Melana Salisbury, Melissa McBride, Jordan Roberts, Jayden Roberts; Row 3: Karson Preston, Kendra Moore, Michael Ellis, Kylynn Cook, Daniel Jones, Kerry Hockman, Trina Ragsdale; Row 4: Katie Asher, Kristen Clark, McKenzie Schopp, Michael Mahieu. Not pictured: Trevor Kinkead (Wagner photo)

Congratulations to Jordan Roberts, Melissa McBride, and Paul Leykamp for getting first at the Harold Momberg Math and Science Competition. Congratulations also to Ben Jennings, Michael Ellis, and Josh Etzler for placing third in the same competition.



Jordan Roberts, Shawn Weber, Jace Bohlmeyer, Trevor Kinkead and Will Evans (Jordan Meyers photo)


Michael Ellis and Elaine Martin talk before the TEAMS competition.

Row 1: Michael Ellis, Kendra Moore, Kylynn Cook, Mallory Henry, Melissa McBride and Mrs. Schmidt Row 2: Paul Leykamp, Ben Jennings, Elaine Martin, Melana Salisbury, Mekka Garcia and Jordan Roberts Row 3: Jesse Everhart, Lucy McGowan, Jordan Meyers and Jace Bohlmeyer Not Pictured: Trevor Kinkead (Wagner photo)


Row 1: Eric Needy, Racheal Christen, Shelby Reeder, Hannah Gudde, Lacy Baucom, Bethany Mathews; row 2: Amanda Reeves, Amanda Sullivan, Sarah Keith, Mandy Raps, Yvetta Gudde; Bbck row: Logan Reeder


Sponsor Yvetta Gudde with a handmade St. Patrick's Day wall decoration for senior citizens (Hannah Gudde photo)


Shelby Reeder, Amanda Reeves, Rachael Christian, Amanda Sullivan, Yvetta Gudde, and Hannah Gudde at Senior Citizen Bingo! (Hannah Gudde Photo)
34 Students Taking a Tough United Stand
(Wagner photo)


Amanda Reeves, enjoying a good game of Bingo! (Hannah Gudde Photo)


Maya Angelou
Shelby Reeder, reading off


Amanda Sullivan organizing the numbers taht have been called for bingo! (Hannah Gudde Photo)


Officer Tom Fair fingerprints Claire Bennett while younger brother Cullen observes the process. (Guard photo)


Katie Asher serves breakfast to Ryan Kennedy for the teachers' breakfast. (Linda Schafer photo)

Student Council is responsible for many activities at the high school throughout the year: Homecoming, after-game dances, Matwarming, Courtwarming, senior nights, the for-the-first-time fall ball, the children ID activity, the teachers' breakfast, Santa's Workshop, and many more things. This year members traveled to state conferences and the St. Louis Science Center. Josh Admire was the president, and $\mathrm{Li}-$ ana Spurling was the vice-president. Stu-Co sponsors were Elizabeth Gilman and Seth Woods.


Melissa McBride talks with Cullen Bennett during the child ID activity. (Guard photo)

Row 1: Seth Woods, Caitlin Jerome, Melana Salisbury, Liana Spurling, Josh Admire, Katie Asher; Row 2: Marc Schmidt, Stuart Cox, Alex Warbritton, Kristen Clark, Olivia Elam, Melissa McBride, Jacque King, Kelsay Brown, Eric Needy; Row 3: Baylee Hardman, Felicia McCann, Savannah Angell, Gina Olsen, Molly Maddox, Chelsea Griffin, Taylor Hudson, Chelsea Davis; Row 4: Jayden Roberts, Amanda Sullivan, Cheyenne Burdette, Aaron Albright, Tucker Evans, Jeremy Breedlove.
(Wagner photo)

# National Honor Society <br> On Nov. 6, 2008, in the Centralia High <br> the First Christian Church at which 37 people do- 

School cafeteria, National Honor Society inducted 26 new members. Existing members from last year who conducted the ceremony included president, Melissa McBride; vice president, Brandon Kinkead; Lucy McGowan, Jordan Meyers, Mallory Henry, Trevor Kinkead, Katie Asher, and Jace Bohlmeyer. Shortly after the induction, the group met to make fruit baskets, which they delivered to elderly people they knew in Centralia as a holiday gift from NHS. In January NHS members held an American Red Cross blood drive at
nated blood.


Clockwise: Melissa McBride; Lucy McGowan; group picture; Mekka Garcia and Dayken Dollens;Paul Leykamp; Melana Salisbury and John Rinehart; Salisbury and John Rinehart;
Caitlin Jerome, Ben Jennings, and Kerry Hockman


page designed by Karson Preston


Row 1: Mallory Henry, Katie Asher, Melissa McBride, Jordan Meyers, Jace Bohlmeyer; Row 2: Casey Crow, Kristen Clark, Amanda Willmeth, Karson Preston, Angela Freeman, Kerry Hockman, Mekka Garcia; Row 3: Caitlin Jerome, Elaine Martin, Olivia Elam, Lucy McGowan, Cody Lynch, Sam Bowne, Melana Salibury, McKenzie Schopp; Row 4: Garrett Sims, Josh Etzler, Jesse Everhart, Ben Jennings, Tyler Martin, Paul Leykamp; Row 5: Mike Schmidt, Nic Ford, Scott Rodgers, Dayken Dollens, AJ Henry. (Wagner photo)


Varsity quiz bowl team start-
ers: (left to right) Lane Mar-
tin, Jordan Roberts, Melissa
McBride, and Aaron Seider.


JV Quiz Bowl Team starters: (from left to right) Dustin Stanton, Charlie Besalke, Veronica Lee, and Donna Jennings
(Jordan Roberts photo)


As the quiz bowl season started, students practiced in $\mathbf{R y a n} \mathbf{K}$ ennedy's room after school $\mathbf{M}$ onday- Thursday. Janie Durham helped by showing the students how to do the math problems that came up in practice matches. $\mathbf{Q u i z} \mathbf{B} 0 \mathrm{wl}$ matches were held on Thursdays usually at $4: 30 \mathrm{pm}$. Before each match, the home team provided food and drinks for the visiting team. When a match began, the moderator reminded everyone to be quiet. Each team had four players on the buzzers at a time. The match of four quarters consisted of two quarters with 15 toss-up questions, and two quarters with 10 toss-up questions, each with a four-part bonus with each part worth five points. When a player buzzed in, the moderator recognized the team and player before the player could answer. If the answer was correct, the team got the points; if it was wrong, the opposing team got a five second time limit to answer on the rebound. When a toss-up with a bonus was answered correctly, the team that answered got the first shot at each part. Only the captain could answer to the moderator. If answered correctly, they proceeded to the next question. If not, the opposing team earned a chance. If neither team received the points, the moderator read the correct answer to all players, and they moved on to the next question. The team with the most points won the game. If there was ever a result of a tie, the teams only got toss-up questions until one of the teams answered three of them correctly, making that team the winner.


Row 1: Lane Martin, Josh Admire, Melissa McBride, Cody Lynch, Jordan Roberts;Row 2: Chelsea Griffin, Veronica Lee, Sean Brix, Chelsea Davis, Aaron Seider, coach Ryan Kennedy;Top row: Charlie Besalke, Dustin Stanton, Michael Mahieu, Donna Jennings, Ben Jennings, and Chelsea Blackwell Not pictured: coach Janie Durham (Wagner photo)
|Varsity
1-13 CHS 170-180 Mexico 1-22 CHS 235-95 Louisiana 1-29 CHS 170-145 Mark Twain 2-05 CHS 145-135 Monroe City 2-12 CHS 170-185 Palmyra 2-19 CHS 235-130 South Shelby 2-26 CHS 150-220 Macon 3-05 CHS 220-85 Highland 4-02 CHS 355-240 Mexico

1-13 CHS 40-160 Mexico 1-22 CHS 140-80 Louisiana 1-29 CHS 110-80 Mark Twain 2-05 CHS 130-185 Monroe City 2-12 CHS 35-235 Palmyra 2-19 CHS 230-220 South Shelby 2-26 CHS 175-230 Macon 3-05 CHS 140-160 Highland 4-02 CHS 165-165 Mexico*
*Denotes the team that won the tiebreaker for that match.

## Tournaments

## 2-07 Kirksville Tournament

CHS 90-170 Mexico CHS 115-130 La Plata CHS 100-110 Canton 3-07 Rock Bridge Tournament CHS 165-205 Helias (A) CHS 160-180 Pilot Grove CHS 295-65 Glasgow (B) CHS 180-385 Richland

3-14 CCC Tournament CHS 145-85 Louisiana CHS 245-245 South Shelby* CHS 325-140 Monroe City CHS 155-75 Mark Twain CHS 205-135 Palmyra CHS 220-95 South Shelby CHS 270-175 South Shelby

## INTERRACT 2008

INTERACT, the service club for young people from ages 14 to 18 , is sponsored by Rotary International but is independent and self supportive. The membership of the club varies. A club can be a mixed gender or single gender, small or large. Clubs can draw membership from two or more schools in the community or just one student body of a school. CHS INTERACT met the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. The students in INTERACT attended Rotary luncheons, worked on their community projects, and visited with other INTERACT clubs.

Each year, INTERACT completes two or more community service projects for both international and community reasons. One of the most significant and fastest
growing clubs of Rotary, INTERACT is a worldwide phe nomenon. It has more than 10,700 clubs in 109 countries and more than 200,000 young people involved. INTER. ACT had a cell phone drive in September for their service project. Those phones that were collected went to the people who needed phones to call 911 .

In March, INTERACT held a blood drive with Ke Club. During the blood drive, students turned up periodically in groups and by themselves to help out the cause.


The guys start lining up to donate blood at the blood drive.


Jayden Roberts assists blood donors in filling out blood donor information sheets.
(Landon Gray photo)

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Key Clubbers sponsored a Wii bowling tournament April 25.

Row one: Kristen Clark, Jadria Roberts, Rachel Etzler, Amanda Smith, Becky Aguayo; Row two: Amanda Reeves,Baylee Hardman, Lex Clarkson, Veronica Lee, Molly Maddox,Kelsay Benoit, Lauren Stuart; Row 3: Angela Freeman, Grant Elsbury, Nathan Hann, Eric Needy, Chelsea Davis, Rachel Beck, Stuart Cox (Wagner photo)


Felicia McCann donates blo



Lex Clarkson clears plates for the Mother's Day breakfast.
(Hannah Gudde photo)

## CHS

## ART CLUB 2008

Art Club is a service organization where members work to earn 50 points so that they could letter. In previous years, a medal could be earned the same way. Students who took art class automatically received ten points toward their letters. Points were made by making posters, helping after school with any upcoming events, painting Christmas ornaments and snowmen which gave members five points each toward their letters. In October, the Art Club hosted its annual "Art in the Park" at which members could earn 15 points toward their letters. They helped small children make art work or painted their faces.

In November the students in art club adorned the back of the "Freedom isnt Free" veterans' memorial. Thursday, Nov. 6, was the last day that names were accepted for it. The memorial was completely redone for Veterans Day in honor of those who have served in the armed forces.

March was youth art month. Art teachers across Missouri sent four student pieces of artwork to the capitol to be displayed. From those artworks, the governor chose his favorite to hang in his office for an entire year. The Missouri Art Educators Association also chose a best in category from each of the schools: elementary, middle school, jr. high and high school. The artwork of Melana Salisbury and Brittany Taylor will hang in one of Congressman Blaine Leutkemeyer's offices.

Art Club also hosted its annual Easter egg hunt April 8. Members earned points by staying after school and putting candy in eggs and by helping hide the eggs the day of the hunt. Local businesses provided the goodies put in each egg. The hunt was open to children from the Centralia school district ages pre-kindergarten to fourth grade.
(in Duran, Michael Ellis, Mela Jacque King, Dustin , Gina Olsen, Alli Hopkins, Bell, AJ Henry Garcia, two: Caleb Peyton, Jay Blackwell, Donna Ben Jenni, Jennimes Saliqa Salehs, row three: Allie Smith Braunson N Mols, Kims Stickney, Allie Smith Jayden Roberts, Ashley G ertson
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Scenes from the April Easter egg hunt. (Landon Gray photos)
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Panther Booster volunteers serve parents and athletes refreshments at the fall sports banquet. (Karson Preston photo)

## Panther Boosters: Parents Volunteer to Help Student Athletes

The Centralia Panther athletic boosters is a club comprised of volunteer parents whose children are involved in Centralia sports. Their main objective is to help the district's athletic programs. Booster club members held fundraisers at Panther athletic events, generating most of their money from the concession stand at the Centralia basketball tournament. They also manned concession stands beginning in March for track and baseball seasons. They brought in about $\$ 10,000$ this year, which was applied toward uniforms and sports equipment.

Panther boosters does take a lot of work and dedication, and they always welcome new members. This year's officers were president Donna Ford, vice president Lori Mills, secretary Lori VanMaanen, and treasurer Nancy Heimann.



Varsity Football 43



44 Homecoming

The Panthers burst through a banner held by the CHS cheerleaders just before the game.
(Ed Dunstan photo)
The football players smile and wave while throwing candy from their float during the Homecoming parade.
(Linda Schafer photo)
A large crowd of Panther fans and supporters cheer on the Panthers during the Homecoming game against the Tigers.
(Ed Dunstan photo)

The CHS band plays during halftime.
(Ed Dunstan photo)

Mr. Panther candidate Brandon Kinkead rides next to Lucy McGowan during the parade. (Ed Dunstan phota)

The band members from both CBMS and CHS march in the parade. (Ed Dunstan photo)

The CHS cheerleaders keep the spirit going and crowd alive during the CHS Homecoming game (Ed Dunstan photo)

Mr. Panther candidate
Eli Beasley rides with Sierra Angell during the parade.(right)



## Homecoming 2008

Homecoming week kicked off with each day having a sub theme to Student Council's retro theme. Monday was dress as your favorite video game character day. Tuesday was pajama day; Wednesday, your favorite sports jersey or athlete; Thursday, display your class colors day (seniors-black, juniors-red, sophomores-blue, freshmen-green); and Friday was wear your Homecoming t-shirts. Each class built floats Monday-Thursday evenings.

On Oct. 2, Homecoming eve, students and other fans gathered in the CHS parking lot and participated in the flashlight parade to the town square and back to the parking lot. After the parade, everybody gathered around the annual bonfire, which was monitored by the Centralia fire department.

Friday after school, teachers and students once again gathered in the CHS parking lot, this time for the Homecoming parade, which included many clubs, organizations, and sports. While the parade continued its route, students tossed candy to the onlooking crowd.

That evening's game was a blaze of heated competition between the Panthers and the Mark Twain Tigers. At halftime, last year's Homecoming queen, Kim Brown, crowned Lianna Spurling. The game resumed after a fifteen minute break, ending with a Panther victory, 67-27.

After the game, students gathered in the high school cafeteria to get their groove on. Bill Ludwig was the ed slinging DJ for the occasion. At ten o'clock, Student Council advisor Seth Woods announced co-Mr. Panthers: Eli Beasley and Brandon Kinkead.

Brenda Spurling hugs her daughter Lianna after she was crowned Homecoming queen 2008; Homecoming princesses Savannah Angell, Lex Clarkson, Meagan Kroeger; the volleyball team participates in the parade (Linda Schafer photos)

The cross country team throws candy from their float. (Ed Dunstan photo)


Homecoming
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| Scoring |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Player | TDs | FGs | XP | 2pt | Tot. |
| Schmersahl | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 42 |
| Hann | 5 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 36 |
| Miles | 1 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 21 |
| Mundy | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| White | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| Stidham | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| Bohlmeyer | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| Angell | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Brumley | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Meyers | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Colston | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
| Massey | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |


Coach Nathan Gordon offers last minute strategic tips before the game. (Jordan Meyers photo)


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| Schmidt | 44 | 19 | 63 | Leighton 1 |
| McCoy | 54 | 5 | 59 | Pemberton 1 |
| Schmidt | 36 | 9 | 45 | Interceptions |
| Moore | 33 | 6 | 39 | Cox 2 |
| Swanson | 17 | 10 | 27 | Moore 2 |
| Wilkison | 16 | 6 | 22 | Schmidt 2 |
| Wilkerson | 12 | 4 | 16 | Wilkerson 2 |
| Dollens | 11 | 4 | 15 | Dollens 1 |
| Veazey | 9 | 6 | 15 | Ford 1 |
| Warbritton | 9 | 4 | 13 | Swanson 1 |
| Cole | 9 | 2 | 11 | Passing |
| Everhart | 8 | 3 | 11 | Dollens 53/90, 814 yds., |
| Cox | 7 | 2 | 9 | 12 TDs, 4 Ints. |
| McCann | 6 | 3 | 9 | Cox 8/12, 86 yds, 1 TD |
| Haley | 7 | 1 | 8 |  |
| Hockman | 6 | 1 | 7 | Receiving |
| Benson | 4 | 1 | 5 | Cox 19 Rec., 437 Yds, 8 TD |
| Colwell | 4 | 1 | 5 | Schmidt 10 Rec., 136 Yds, 2 TD |
| Evans | 4 |  | 4 | Ford 9 Rec., $112 \mathrm{Yds}, 1 \mathrm{TD}$ |
| Ford | 4 |  | 4 | Wilkison 8 Rec., 110 Yds |
| Powell | 3 | 1 | 4 | Moore 8 Rec., 91 Yds, 1 TD |
| Jones | 1 | 1 | 2 | Schmidt 3 Rec., 11 Yds |
| McBride | 2 |  | 2 | Evans 1 Rec., 8 Yds |
| McCollum |  | 2 | 2 | Powell 1 Rec., 1 Yd, 1 TD |
| Papen | 2 |  | 2 |  |

## Sticking it to 'em



## Scoring

Linda Schafer photo
Dollens 18 TDs ( 78 pts) Cox 11 TDs ( 66 pts) Swanson 2TDs, 2 Conv. ( 16 pts.$)$
Wilkerson 2 TDs, 1 Conv. ( 14 pts )
Schmidt 2 TDs, ( 12 pts.) Ford 1 TD, ( 6 pts .) McCoy 6 PATs, (6 pts.) Moore 1 TD (6pts.) Powell 1 TD, ( 6 pts ) Schmidt 1 Conv. (2 pts.)

## Rushing

Dollens 44 Rushes, 389 Yds, 5 TD Swanson 93 Rushes, 356 Yds, 2 TD Wilkerson 22 Rushes, 158 Yds, 1 TD Cox $\quad 8$ Rushes, $95 \mathrm{Yds}, 1$ TD Schmidt 12 Rushes, 59 Yds Moore Cole Schmidt McBride

9 Rushes, 43 Yds
12 Rushes, 42 Yds
5 Rushes, 26 Yds
2 Rushes, 15 Yds


## PANTHER SOFTBALL



Jordyn Tolliver throws the ball to 1st base.


All-District
Jordyn Tolliver (1st)
Mallory Henry (1st)
Felicia McCann (1st) Jenna Lauer (1st) Jordan Meyers (2nd) Amber Duncan (HM)

Outfielders Jordan Meyers, Mallory Henry and Emily Koster
(Robin Meyers photo)

Felicia McCann throws the ball home. (Ed Dunstan photo) (Ed Dunstan photo)



Casey Crow, Sam Bowne, Felicia McCann, Jordyn Tolliver, Jordan Meyers, Mallory Henry; row two: Caitlin Jerome, Jenna Lauer, Jennifer Mills, Emily Koster, Ally Clark, Chloe Armontrout, Amber Duncan,Baylee Hardman, Katie Smith; row three: McKenzie Schopp, Emily Crow, Alli Edwards, Morgan Creel, Lydia Spillane, Emily Drake, Ashley Brooks, Donna Jennings; row four: Sydnae Hatton, Melana Salisbury, Rachel Etzler (Robin Meyers photo)

## All-Conference

 Jordyn Tolliver (1st) Mallory Henry (1st) Felicia McCann (1st) Jenna Lauer (2nd) Jordan Meyers (2nd)


## Junior Varsity

 scoreboard 14-0CHS 4-3 MACON CHS 8-1 HIGHLAND Hickman JV Tourney 1st CHS 11-0 HARRISBURG CHS 2-1 MARK TWAIN CHS 6-0 MEXICO CHS 17-1 SOUTH SHELBY CHS 3-2 WESTRAN CHS 5-1 MONROE CITY CHS 10-0 HALLSVILLE CHS 8-0 PALMYRA CHS 9-0 BOONVILLE

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Sophomore Rachel Etzler at the plate. She finished the season with a


Junior Melana Salisbury fields a clean ground ball at second base
The JV team after winning the Hickman JV Tournament by beating Blair Oaks 5-2, Hickman 8-6 and Helias 52. (Brad Creel photo)

Sophomores
Chloe
Armontrout and Emily Crow (Jordan Meyers photo)


The infielders get ready for another inning of defense. (Jed Angell photo)

"CHS cross country kicked butt and took names..."
"It's official. Centralia needs more hills. While they ran their hardest, Centralia runners were captured by the hills of Moberly Country Club and are currently being held as prisoners of war." --Coach Andrew Reynolds

If there ever was a close-knit team, it was the cross country team, and newcomer Andrew Reynolds kept the team together. Friday afternoons saw the team playing games on the CHS front lawn after grueling practices in the heat Monday-Thursday.

Best times for the runners are as follows: freshman Nels Anderson, 23:29 at the Mexico Autumn Classic; senior Sierra Angell, 21:38 at the Montgomery County Invitational; freshman Andi Blackwell, 20:26 at the Montgomery County Invitational; sophomore Dustin Duran, 20:32 at the Mexico Autumn Classic; junior Michael Ellis, 18:07 at the Montgomery County Invitational; sophomore Grant Elsbury, 19:50 at the Montgomery County Invitational; junior Josh Etzler, 17:33 at the Montgomery County Invitational; junior Ben Jennings, 20:55 at the Montgomery County Invitational; junior Courtney Mundy, 25:03 at the Montgomery County Invitational; junior Michael Robertson, 19:10 at the Montgomery County Invitational; and junior Aaron Seider, 23:35 at the Mexico Autumn Classic.

Freshman Blackwell earned district honors and the opportunity to compete at state, where she ran the course at Oak Hills Country Club in 23:53.


Scenes from the 2008 cross country season. Page designed by Courtney Mundy and Whitney Orth. Photos by Ed Dunstan, Ann Jennings, Courtney Mundy, Linda Schafer, and Ann Seider.

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Scenes from the 2008 cross country season.


## VOLLEYBALL

Coach Martin talks to the JV team.
(Ed Dunstan photo)
Far right top: Jadria Roberts waits for the ball.
(Ed Dunstan photo)
Far right bottom: Whitney Orth passes the ball.
(Ed Dunstan photo)

The girls' volleyball team rides in the Homecoming parade. (Linda Schafer photo)



Lauren Liegey returns the ball. (Ed Dunstan photo)

Varsity Volleyball Team
From Back Row: Coach Becky Aguayo, Jadria Roberts, Brooke Hann, Kaylena Albright, Alex Blackwell, Meagan Kroeger, Melissa McBride, Amanda Smith, Kylynn Cook, Kendra Moore, Lianna Spurling (Jayden Roberts photo)

Jadria Roberts was the Libero for the varsity team this year, which is why she wore a different jersey.
The Libero can switch with any player on the court at any time without counting as a substitution.


| Varsity Volleyball |  |  |  |
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| CHS | 11-25 | 13-25 | S. Boone |
| S | 28-26 | 25-15 | Russe |
| CHS | 25-18 | $26-24$ | Halls |
| CHS | 25-17 | 22-25 | TTp |
| CHS | 18-25 | 21-25 | Russe |
|  | 22-25 25 | 2-18 $15-1$ | 12 Hallssulle** |
| CHS | 22-25 | $26-2$ | Mexico |
| $\mathrm{CHS}^{\text {ch }}$ | 18-25 | 5-2 | TTP |
| CHS | 10-25 | 15-25 | Califo |
| CHS | 20-25 | 17-25 | Russell |
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| CHS | 25-16 | 25-10 | kir |
|  | 25 25-2 | 25-19 | Mont |
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| CHS | 20-25 | 25-23 | 25-20 Lim |
|  | 9-25 | 5-25 | Hermann ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |

*Tipton Varsity Tournament scores, the Varsity team got 3rd place in this tournament ${ }^{-}$Districts at Blair Oaks scores

Varsity Volleyball Awards: Best Offensive: Brooke Hann $-83 \%$ serving percentage -highest number of aces (19) $-75 \%$ attack percentage -25 kills
-103 assists
Best Defensive: Kylynn Cook -87 serve receives
-43 digs
-highest dig percentage (63\%)
$110 \%$ : Kaylena Albright
-voted on by the girls
-This is the girl who gave her all, all the time. In fact, she gave more than her all; she gave $110 \%$. She never gave up, never let a bad attitude bring her down and never let exhaustion stop her hustle.
MVP: Lianna Spurling and Brooke Hann
-voted on by the girls
-These are the girls that the team could not be without. They held the team together through good times and bad, on and off the court. Without them, the team would stop functioning.
Brooke Hann made the 2nd All-District team


Meagan Kroeger
gets ready to hit
Meagan Kroeger
gets ready to hit the ball. the ball.
(Ed Dunstan photo)
Alex Blackwell and Kylynn Cook warmup.
(Ed Dunstan photo)


## Girls’ Golf 2008

## Centralia

 Lady Panthers Send 2 to
## State

Alli Hopkins Katie Martin Hannah Gudde Average-65.3 Jenna Wheeler Average-67.6 Gina Olsen Average-68.2

Average-57.7
Average-58.3


Alli Hopkins, Hannah Gudde, Katie Martin, Jenna Wheeler, and Gina Olsen. (James Smith photo)


Girls' Golf 2008
Coach Scott Long, Alli Hopkins, Katie Martin, Jenna Wheeler, Hannah Gudde, Gina Olsen. (Wagner photo)


Alli Hopkins and Katie Martin prepare to compete at state.
(James Smith photo)


Junior Jenna Wheeler completed her third year of golf with a 67.6 average.


Gina Olsen practices her short game.
(Hannah Gudde photo)

Alli Hopkins had the top local score, finishing 99th with a 119 at State. (Ed Dunstan photo)

Competing at state, freshman Katie Martin shot a 123 , tieing for 104th.
(Hannah Gudde photo)


Alli Hopkins, Hannah Gudde, Katie Martin, Jenna Wheeler at a home meet. (Ed Dunstan photo)


Gina Olsen finished her first year of golf with a 68.2 average.
(Hannah Gudde photo)


Junior Hannah Gudde finished her third year of golf with a 65.3 average. (Jenna Wheeler photo)

Top Right:
The Varsity girls holding the banner at a fall football game
(Karson Preston photo)
Bottom Right: Shauna Cox, Lauren Burkhardt and Ann Marie Klues during a cold football game (Mekka Garcia photo)

Right: The entire team prior to packing on the bus for a long drive to the Liberty Bowl
(Julie Reichert photo)
Below:
The girls dressed up in Memphis (Julie Reichert photo)

pages designed by Jordan Meyers
56 Cheerleaders
Above Right: Kaylee Creel, Mekka Garcia, Kassi McCubbin and Dillon Meals on Senior Night (Karson Preston photo) Mekka Garcia, based by Brandon Kinkead, Jace Bohlmeyer, Will Evans and Ann Marie Klues, in a pike basket (Karson Preston photo)
Right:
Junior Varsity
squad members
Clockwise from
middle: Emma
Timbrook, Koty
Hutson, Megan
Pearson, Kaylea
Jacobi, Karli
McCabbin, An-
drea King and
Taylor Hudson
(Wagner photo)




Coach Brown draws up the plan while the team tries to understand
(Karson Preston photo)
page designed by Jordan Meyers


Head Coach: Brian Brown Assistant Coach: Erle Bennett Season Record: 9-15

## ALL-CONFERENCE:

Tyler Wright 2nd Team Matthew Rusch Hon. Mention

## ALL-DISTRICT:

 Tyler WrightThe varsity boys' basketball team thebuzzer sound- tain, having 22 or 23 points in started off the season against North ed. Another great five of the games. The team conCallaway, winning only by two game was when sisted of many juniors and few points. The boys had quite a few they beat Mark sophomores. The team had close games, winning some and los- Twain in an un- many key players and each ing some. One of the most memo- ending battle by player had his own role includrable games of this year was the first- one point. Tyler ing to dance before each game round district game where Matthew Wright was a ter- in the locker room as a pre-game Rusch got the shot off right before rific senior cap- ritual.

Hunter Brumley tries to defend the inbounds play


Harrison Washington looks at the basket to shoot

Nic Ford goes up strong for a right-handed layup


Ed Dunstan photos


Scott Rodgers drives for a shot in the lane

Matthew Rusch works to get a shot off


Tim Mundy shoots over a Paris defender

## ¿Panther Way



Sophomore Holden Meyers shoots over the top of two defenders

Jed Angell photo

## FUN STATS

most points in a game: Tyler (23) most rebounds in a game: Tyler (16) most assists in a game: Matthew (9) most steals in a game: Nic (6)

Scott (6)
most blocked shots in a game: Tyler (4)
total FG percentage: Tyler (.530)
total assists: Matthew (102)
total steals: Scott (53)
total rebounds: Tyler (226)
most foulouts: Matthew (3)


Miss and Mr. Basketball, Jordan Meyers and Tyler Wright at Senior Night

Tyler Wright works for an easier shot
Ed Dunstan photo

Tammy Chitwood photo


Members of the varsity basketball team
Row 1: Grant Elsbury, Matthew Rusch, Holden Meyers, Scott Rodgers, Hunter Brumley and Harrison Washington; Row 2: Tim Mundy, Ethan Massey, Nic Ford, Dakota Noonan, Josh Etzler, Tyler Wright and head coach Brian Brown Wagner photo

## Uarsity girLs

## finish season l2-6

Honors

Jordyn Tolliver-All-Conference First Team All-District First Teams


Sierra Angell shoots for two points. (Karson Preston photo)


Jordan Meyers dribbles the ball around an opposing teammate. (Karson Preston photo)

Mallory Henry- All-Conference Honorable Mention All-District Second Team
Felicia McCann- All-District Second Team
Sierra Angell- All-Conference Honorable Mention All-State Academic Team
Kerry Hockman- All-State Academic Team
Jordan Meyers-All-State Academic Team


Felicia McCann shoots the ball over a Harrisburg player! (Karson Preston photo)


The senior basketball players stand with Mr. and Miss Basketball Tyler Wright and Jordan Meyers during senior night. (Tammy Chitwood photo)


Kerry Hockman stretches for the rebound.
(Karson Preston photo)


Mallory Henry gets to shoot a free throw after a foul from the opposing team. (Karson Preston photo)


Jordyn Tolliver shoots one of her 62 three-pointers of the season. (Karson Preston photo)

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| Dec 12 | W 60-46 | North Callaway |
| Dec 6 | W 63-33 | Van-Far |
| Dec 8 | W 59-34 | Sturgeon |
| Dec 10 | W 62-41 | North Callaway |
| Dec 12 | L 55-41 | Macon |
| Dec 19 | W 60-25 | New Bloomfield |
| Jan 2 | W 49-35 | Brookfield |
| Jan 6 | W 54-30 | Brookfield |
| Jan7 | L 45-42 | Macon |
| Jan 9 | W 69-35 | Monroe City |
| Jan 15 | W 57-45 | Comm R-6 |
| Jan 16 | W 38-36 | Hallsville |
| Jan 19 | L 54-51 | Mexico |
| Jan 21 | W 67-46 | Brookfield |
| Jan 23 | W 48-32 | Putnam Co. |
| Jan 30 | L 53-50 | South Shelby |
| Feb 3 | W 50-40 | Palmyra |
| Feb 6 | W 61-48 | Monroe City |
| Feb 10 | W 50-33 | Mark Twain |
| Feb 13 | W 57-34 | Louisiana |
| Feb 14 | W 57-48 | Boonville |
| Feb 17 | L 58-54 | Macon |
| Feb 20 | W 50-30 | Highland |
| Feb 24 | W 50-39 | Harrisburg |
| Feb 27 | W 66-22 | Fayette |
| March 2 | W 67-28 | Montgomery Co |
| March 4 | W 38-36 | North Callaway |
| March 6 | L 43-35 | Bowling Green |



Lady Panthers varsity basketball teamfront: Lucy McGowan, Jordan Meyers, Mallory Henry, Meagan Kroeger, and Emily Drake. back: Caitlin Jerome, Sierra Angell, Kerry Hockman, Alex Blackwell, Felicia McCann, and Jordyn Tolliver. (Wagner photo)


The team, after recieving the second place district trophy. (Karson Preston photo)

The varsity girls' basketball team had a great season with eight returning senior players. Before going into districts, the team only had five losses and was ranked number ten in the state in class 2 A . They won the first round of districts against Montgomery Country. Two days later, they faced North Callaway in a close game, winning by two points. The district championship game was played against Bowling Green, ranked number three (or four) in the state. Centralia played a tough game and lost 43-35, receiving second place in districts for the second year in a row. They finished out the season with a record of 22-6, "we had an exceptional year,"said head coach Mike Hann. The Lady Panthers were coached by Hann, Jim Newsted, John Finlay, and Jeff Martin.


King Tyler Wright and Queen Kerry Hockman (Karson Preston photo)

The theme for Courtwarming in 2009 was Maskerade, "unmasking the face of victory." The week before Courtwarming, students could purchase t-shirts with this year's slogan along with a panther on the front and the girls' and boys' varsity players' names on the back. There were also school wide dress-up days the week of Courtwarming, and each grade got together to decorate masks to hang in the gym.

The student body nominated five senior boys and five senior girls for king and queen. The nominees were Eli Beasley, Jace Bohlmeyer, Brandon Kinkead, Trevor Kinkead, Tyler Wright, Sierra Angell, Lauren Burkhardt, Kerry Hockman, Felicia McCann, and Jordan Meyers. The varsity teams played Louisiana on Feb. 13, 2009, at 6:00 pm in the high school gym. The girls and boys won, 57-34 and 62-30 respectively. Hockman and Wright were named king and queen. The sophomore class won the mask decorating contest. The dance followed the games in the cafeteria until midnight.


Cheerleaders perform their dance during halftime.


Group of seniors who dressed in "formal wear" during Courtwarming dress-up days.
(Karson Preston photo)


Olivia Elam, Mekka Garcia, Lauren Burkhart, and Kerry Hockman dance together at the Courtwarming dance.
(Jordan Meyers photo)

Right: The masks that each class decorated to hang in the gym during the game. (Karson Preston photos)

Mekka Garcia



Trevor Kinkead, Jace Bohlmeyer, Dillon Meals, Brandon Kinkead, and Will Evans get together for a group picture at the dance.


Courtwarming 63

## JV BOYS END SEASON 8-8


row 1: Grant Elsbury, Shane Kottwitz, Andy Coulter; row 2: Cameron Beard, Josh Etzler, Dylan Stidham, Caleb Gesling, coach Scott Lenz (Wagner photo)


Ethan Massey plays defense
(Ed Dunstan photo)

The junior varsity boys had a four game winning streak that brought their record to 500 . At the beginning of the year. the boys lost to both Southern Boone and Macon. Later in the season, they defeated them both!

By the end of the season, the JV boys were playing their best basketball of the season!

## Jumior Varsity Boys

## Centralia 22-52 Macon

 Centralia 30-32 Cameron Centralia 29-65 Mexico Centralia 52 Boonville Centralia 35-59 Jeff. City Centralia 36-46 S. Boone Centralia 51-31 Hallsville Centralia 55-42 Macon Centralia 48-31 Brookfield Centralia 40-32 S. Boone Centralia 44-49 Paris Centralia 58-45 Harrisburg Centralia 45-56 Mark Twain Centralia 54-39 Westran Centralia 38-28 Sturgeon Centralia 26-48 Mont. Co.Grant Elsbury snags a rebound! (Ed Dunstan photo)
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Cameron Beard searches for an open teammate.
(Ed Dunstan photo)


Caleb Gesling defends the jump shot. (Ed Dunstan photo)


## Through The Hoop

" The jv squad had 13 team members and were a lot of fun to coach. We finished with a record of 14-3."
--Coach Jeff Martin




Row one: Jennifer Mills, Chloe Armontrout, Carissa Mitchell, Melana Salisbury, Emily Crow, Tara Fountain; row two: Ashley Carlson, Sloane Forrest, Rachel Etzler Ashley Brooks, Andi Blackwell. Not pictured: Meagan Kroeger, Caitlin Jerome.

| JV Girls' Basketball 14-3 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CHS | 49-44 | Macon | w |
| CHS | 37-8 | VanFar | w |
| CHS | 49-15 | Paris | w |
| CHS | 49-28 | New Bloomfield | w |
| CHS | 41-31 | Boonville | w |
| CHS | 37-49 | Harrisburg | L |
| CHS | 25-28 | Hallsville | L |
| CHS | 45-35 | Hallsville | W |
| CHS | 35-25 | Community RVI | W |
| CHS | 46-26 | Macon | W |
| CHS | 49-29 | Brookfield | w |
| CHS | 45-40 | Southern Boon | w |
| CHS | 33-12 | Paris | W |
| CHS | 46-47 | Harrisburg | W |
| CHS | 35-25 | Mark Twain | w |
| CHS | 49-10 | Westran | W |
| CHS | 56-48 | Harrisburg | W |

## Freshmen Boys ${ }^{\circ}$ Basketball



3-11 RECORD
Mexico Tournament
CHS 41-50 Fulton
CHS 56-45 Bowling Green
CHS 45-51 Moberly
CHS 40-48 Blair Oaks
CHS 34-56 Mexico
CHS 38-48 Boonville
CHS 49-51 Moberly
CHS 38-41 North Callaway
CHS 50-66 Southern Boone
CHS 30-39 Monroe City
CHS 31-62 California

Centralia Tournament
CHS 44-51 Paris
CHS 44-31 Hallsville


2008-2009 Freshman Boys' Basketball Team
row 1: Justin Benson, Dax Dollens, Heston Wilkerson, Alec Ford; row 2: manager Jacob Leighton, Stuart Cox, Tucker Evans, Kyle Wilkison, coach Andrew Reynolds, manager Cheyenne Burdette


Dax Dollens maneuvers around his opponent to get the ball.
(Ed Dunstan photo)
page designed by Jade Jones

Stuart Cox dribbles the ball
through his legs. (Ed Dunstan photo)


## Freshmen Girls ${ }^{\prime}$ <br> Basketball

## 8-5 RECORD

CHS 26-30 West Jr. CHS 26-44 Mexico CHS 37-35 Boonville CHS 47-33 Moberly CHS 38-29 S.Boone CHS 30-17 N.Callaway West Jr. Tournament CHS 18-46 Helias CHS 44-31 West Jr. CHS 56-36 Camdenton

CHS 27-22 Monroe City CHS 26-58 California Centralia Tournament CHS 36-13 Paris CHS 36-45 Hallsville


2008-2009 Freshmen Girls' Basketball Team
row 1:Ashley Carlson, Sydnae Hatton, Kiara Moore, Gina Olsen, Andi Blackwell; row 2: Carly Evans, Anna Reeves, Kelsey Benoit, Savannah Angell (Wagner photo)


Sydnae Hatton dribbles her way around her opponent.


Andi Blackwell moves down the court. (Ed Dunstan photo)


Kelsey Benoit is open for the ball. (Ed Dunstan photo)

## WrestlingFever

The Centralia High School wrestlers were 8-0 in duals and finished first in the Knob Noster, Butler, and Plattsburg Tournament. The wrestlers were second at district and sixth in the state.
Dakota Gilbert- 2nd
Mike Schmidt - 3 rd Marc Schmidt-4th

## State Finalists!

 Alex Schmersahl-5th Alonzo Pinerio-6th


125 pound Jared Fricke prepares to pin his Mexico opponent. (Ed Dunstan photo)


Ryan Smith prepares to pin his opponent, but wins by fall in 1:36.


Eli Beasley and his Mexico opponent did a stand up and are going to the mat.
(Ed Dunstan photo)

Alonzo Pineiro pins his Mexico opponent. (Ed Dunstan photo)


Alex Schmersahl lifts his Mexico-opponent over his shoulder.
(Ed Dunstan photo)


Jensyn Angell tries to keep his Brookfield opponent from scoring two points. (Ed Dunstan photo)


Joel Bohlmeyer prepares to turn his Mexico opponent over to pin him.
(Ed Dunstan photo)

Jake Thompson tries to get away from his Brookfield opponent.
(Ed Dunstan photo)


Ben McCord pins his Mexico opponent. (Ed Dunstan photo)


Dakota Gilbert prepares to pin his Mexico opponent.

CHS 40-33 Moberly
Knob Noster Invitational 1st place
Mexico Invitational
CHS 55-24 Mexico
CHS 39-31 Brookfield
Butler Invitational
CHS Blair Oaks
CHS 42-27 Fulton
Plattsburg Invitational 1st place CHS 54-13 Fatima
Brookfield Invitational
CHS 40-31 Marceline

Odessa Invitational
CHS 67-6 MMA
Toshiba 2008 Midwest Classic 22nd/31
Districts
State 6th place





Row one- managers Morgan Preston, Kaylea Jacobi, Anna Reeves; Row two- Shane Kottwitz, Andy Coulter, Dillon Meals, Scott Rodgers, Harrison Washington, Jason Cornelison, Caleb White; Row three--assistant coach Michael Rodgers, Dylan Stidham, Garrison Colston, Will Evans, Caleb Gesling, Joel Bohlmeyer, Grant Elsbury, head coach Jason Lea (Wagner photo)


Row one- Morgan Preston, Alec Ford, Justin Timbrook, Nels Anderson, Anna Reeves, Kaylea Jacobi; Row two-- head coach Mike Hight, Josh McCollum, Sean Brix, Stuart Cox, Kyle Wilkison, Alex Warbritton, Cameron Cloven,
Andrew Power. (Wagner photo)


Third baseman Andrew
Power reaches for the ball. (Ed Dunstan photo)


Varsity boys pump each other up before starting a game.

## (Jordan

Meyers photo)

(Jordan Meyers photo)
... stepped up to the plate

Final record: 6-15
CCC record: 3-4
All Conference Players:
Will Evans lst team all-conference
Dillon Meals 2nd team all-conference
Scott Rodgers 2nd team all-conference Grant Elsbury Honorable Mention all-conference Garrison Colston Honorable Mention all-conference

(Hannah Gudde photo)


Varsity boys get a pep talk before a game. (Hannah Gudde photo)
pages designed by Hannah Gudde


Stuart Cox (Ed Dunstan photo)


Grant Elsbury throws the ball to first. (Hannah Gudde photo)


Alec Ford takes his place at bat. (Ed Dunstan photo)


Scott Rodgers throws a fast pitch. (Jordan Meyers photo)

## District Champs: CHS Girls Track Team



Front row left: Alex Blackwell, Sierra Angell, Lucy McGowan, Jordyn Tolliver, Brooke Hann, Kaylena Albright, Angela Freeman, Haley England, Felicia McCann, and Mallory Henry. Middle row left: Kiara Moore, Lex Clarkson, Kendra Moore, Molly Maddox, Sloane Forrest, Emily Drake, Alli Edwards, Baylee Hardman, and Emily Crow. Back row left: Savannah Angell, Sydnae Hatton, Kelsay Benoit, Ashley Carlson, Veronica Posey, Ally Clark, Andi Blackwell, Jennifer Mills, Chloe Armontrout, and Meagan Kroeger. (Wagner photo)

The girls' track team had a great season in 2009. They won first in every regular season meet through out the spring and moved on to conference and districts. They also won those meets, receiving the district trophy. Several students moved on to sectionals, which Centralia High School hosted May 16.

From sectionals, 11 girls move on to state:the 4X800 team of Lucy McGowan, Sierra Angell, Andi Blackwell, and Baylee Hardman; the $4 \times 400$ team of McGowan, Angell, Jordyn Tolliver, and Jennifer Mills; the $4 \times 200$ team of Mills, Emily Crow, McGowan, and Tolliver; the $4 \times 100$ team of Crow, Mills, Hardman, and Tolliver; pole vaulter Kendra Moore; and shot putters Kelsay Benoit and Felicia McCann. State results were unknown at yearbook deadline

| Meet | Team place | Score | Individuals |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Four Corners | 1st place | 186 | 1st places-8 <br> 2nd places-7 |
| Centralia Invitational | 1st place | 134.5 | 1st places-5 <br> 2nd places-2 |
| Tomahawk Relays | 1st place | 180 | 1st places-6 <br> 2nd places-9 |
| Marceline Relays | 1st place | 142 | 1st places-5 <br> 2nd places-6 |
| Conference | 1st place | 152 | 1st places-4 |
| Districts | 1st place |  | 2nd places-5 |
| RECORD BREAKERS <br> Kelsay Benoit-shot put 38-8 3/4 <br> Felica McCann-discus 108-6 <br> Emily Crow, Lucy McGowan, Jennifer Mills and Jordyn <br> Tolliver-4X200 M Relay 1:49 .45 |  |  |  |

time.


Lucy McGowan makes a hand off to Andi Blackwell in a $4 \times 800$ relay. (Ed Dunstan photo)


Haley England earned second place in the high jump at the Four Corners Invitational.
(Jordan Meyers photo)

The pride you gain is worth the pain


Emily Crow prepares to get in ready position. (Jordan Meyers photo)


Kendra Moore, first place pole vaulter at the Four Corners Invitational.
(Jordan Meyers photo)

Every runner has excuses, but 2 champion never uses them


Above: Jennifer Mills runs a tight race against two conpetitors.
Above right: First place Hallsville Invitational pole vaulter Mallory Henry.
Right Kiara Moore earned sixth place in the Four Corners Invitational long jump.
(Jordan Meyers photos)


Don't let anybody tell you, you can't

CONFERENCE
Second Place - Team Score Five First Places Two Second Places Nic Ford was CCC Male Athlete of the Year
Nic Ford broke his own school records in the triple jump and 300 M hurdles
Dane Bramon Conference Champ in 100 M Dash Nic Ford Conference Champ in 110 M Hurdles, 300 M Hurdles,
Long Jump and Triple Jump


## DISTRICTS

Nic Ford-1st 110 M Hurdles, 1st-300 M Hurdles 2nd-Long Jump, 2nd-4 x 100 M Relay Holden Meyers-2nd $4 \times 100$ M Relay 3rd-4 x 200 M Relay
Dane Bramon-2nd $4 \times 100$ M Relay 3rd-4 x 200 M Relay, 3rd-Discus Hunter Brumley-2nd $4 \times 100$ M Relay 3rd-4 x 200 M Relay Cameron Beard-2nd $4 \times 200$ M Relay Tyler Wright-2nd Shot Put, 2nd-Discus Justin Boothe-4th Shot Put


76 Boys' Track

Holden Meyers runs in the $4 \times 200$ meter relay at a home track meet. (Jordan Meyers photo)


## Six Represent

Boys' Track Team Row 1: Matthew Rusch, Tyler Wright, Hunter Brumley, Ethan Massey, Nic Ford, Eli Beasley; Row 2: Anthony Underwood, Alonzo Pineiro, Trevor Liptak, Holden Meyers, Jace Bohlmeyer, Jensyn Angell, Nathan Hann; Row 3: Josh Etzler, Michael Ellis, Cameron Beard, Skyler Dingwell, Dustin Duran, Daniel Huskey, Heston Wilkerson; Row 4: Justin Cole, Antonio Pineiro, Josh Hockman, Johnny Veazey, Ryan McCann, Justin Boothe, Josh Thorp; Row 5: Ryan Smith, Dax Dollens, Anthony Miles, Tim Mundy, Dakota Noonan, Tucker Evans, Dane Bramon. (Wagner pheto)


Above: Cameron Beard runs against other relay teams at a home meet.
(Jordan Meyers photo)

Far Left: Michael Ellis finishes strong in the $4 \times 800$ meter race at the Four Corners track meet.
(Jordan Meyers photo)
Left: Hunter Brumley competes in the 110 meter hurdles at the NOBOCO Spectacular in Hallsville. (Jordan Meyers photo)

Tyler Wright prepares to throw the discus at the conference track meet. (Robin Meyers photo)

## at State

4X100 Nic Ford, Hunter Brumley, Holden Meyers, Dane Bramon 4x200 Cameron Beard, Dane Bramon, Holden Meyers, Hunter Brumley 110 Hurdles Nic Ford 300 Hurdles Nic Ford Shot put Tyler Wright Discus Tyler Wright

Results were unknown at yearbook deadline


## MARCELINE RELAYS

Second Place - Team Score Seven First Places Two Second Places

TOMAHAWK RELAYS
First Place - Team Score
Five Fist Places
Five Second Places
Nic Ford broke his own 110 M hurdles record

Dax Dollens runs in the 800 meter race. (Jordan Meyers photo)


CENTRALIA INVITATIONAL
Eli Beasley relaxes after a long twomile run at the NOBOCO Spectacular in Hallsville. (Jordan Meyers photo)

Holden Meyers, Nic Ford, Hunter Brumley and Dane Bramon prepare for the $4 \times 100$ M Relay for Districts. (Jordan Meyers photo)


## 2009 Boys' Golf Team

row one: Robert Oliver, Justin Benson, Shane Henry, Michael Roberts, Austin McBride, Zach Marcum;second row: Sam Hunt, Marcus Haley, Chase Jones, Clayton Cloven, Dalton Reeves, Dayken Dollens; third row: head coach Bob Reeves, Jacob Leighton, Josh Bell, Travis Banks, Michael Mahieu, Lucas Caples, assistant coach Seth Woods (Wagner phot



## FUNTRY TNINIRE⿷RBEANTS MOMECOMING



Josh Admire practices his music before dress rehearsal. (Hannah Gudde photo)

Baylee Hardman as Holly, the lead majorette. (Hannah Gudde photo)



Suzy's friend, played by Kendra Moore, warns her about Les. (Hannah Gudde photo)


Nels Anderson as Harry Dinkle, student band director. (Hannah Gudde photo)


The cast gathers to sing the "Homecoming Theme." (Hannah Gudde photo)












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The 2009 Junior/Senior Prom, was held on Saturday, May 2, at 8:00 p.m at the Stephens College Kimball ballroom. The grand march began at 8:30 with the King and Queen crowning following at 9:30. The senior King candiates were: Eli Beasley, Trevor Kinkead, Brandon Kinkead, and Jace Bohlmeyer. Haley England, Mekka Garcia, Mallory Henry. and Lauren Burkhardt were the senior Queen candiates. Trevor Kinkead and Haley England were name Prom King and Queen 2009. This years theme was "Last Waltz." The large ballroom had an area with tables and chairs decorated with white and blue flowers, a big dancing floor in the middle of the room, and a refreshment area. There was no charge to enter the dance, but students had to have all class dues paided.


Prom's entertainment was mu ic from a Disc Jockey Service, Complete M isc. (Linda Schafer photo)


Karson Preston, Sam Davis, Cammie Burton, Ann Marie Klues, and Lakin Dickey pose for a quick picture on the dance floor. (Tina Burton photo)


Mistress of Ceremonies
Lucy McGowan
(Linda Schafer photo)

Senior choir members Jordan Meyers, Jacque King, Katie Asher, Jordan Roberts, Brandon Kinkead, and Josh Admire sang "Lean on Me" and "I Hope You Dance."


Sierra Angell delivers her "Little Yellow Leaf" address (Linda Schafer photo)


Felicia McCann recited three poems found in one of her mother's yearbooks. (Linda Schafer photo)


## May 10, 2009 Baccalaureate

Baccalaureate for the class of 2009 was held Mothers' Day, Sunday, May 10 in the CHS gymnasium. The service was arranged by members of the senior class. Lucy McGowan was the mistress of ceremonies. In addition, Sierra Angell gave the keynote speech, Brooke Hann and Jacque King witnessed to the gathered audience, Felicia McCann provided literary deliveries, and the senior choir performed two musical selections.

The service concluded with a "Then and Now" imovie presentation prepared by Karson Preston.


Brooke Hann and Jacque King shared scripture readings and witnessed to the audience.
(Wagner photos)



Commencement 2009 took place at 3 p.m., May 17 , on the football field. Under the direction of band director Bryan Koerner, the concert band opened the ceremony with "Pomp and Circumstance" while the seniors proceeded onto the football field, led by assistant principal David

Meyers and marshal Logan Reeder and Ethan Massey. Superintendent Darin Ford welcomed the audience and introduced the three speakers: Joshell Dennis, Mallory Henry, and Cody Lynch. The band later played "Spirit of the Falcon," followed by the chamber choir's "Omnia Sol," directed by Leah

Rolfson.
The top ten seniors in this year's class were valedictorian Jordan Meyers, salutatorian Mallory Henry, Mekka Garcia, Lucy McGowan, Sam Bowne, Sierra Angell, Angela Freeman, Kerry Hockman, Katie Asher, and Jace Bohlmeyer.

## This yearbook belongs to

## My Favorites



## Autographs

OADEET TEAEHEERS
Cadet teachers help teachers and get to know different students. They help grade papers, make decorations for the classroom, play games, make copies and tutor individual students.
"My favorite part of cadet teaching is laughing at Peyton Horton for his definition of a lot of homework and making the kids jealous with my Route 44 drink every day." Josh Admire
"My favorite part is seeing the kids' smiling faces. They don't have moody days like us. They're just kids that love us and are happy all the time." Jordyn Tolliver


## Cadet Teachers

Row 1: Shauna Cox, Josh Admire, Katie Asher, Karson Preston, Ann Marie Klues Jordan Meyers, Jordyn Tolliver, Kerry Hockman; Row 2: Dakyn Dollens, Amanda Willmeth, Caitlin Jeffries, Alex Blackwell, Amber Bardwell, Erica Cornett; Row 3: Casey Crow, Lianna Spurling (Wagner photo)
"My favorite part of cadet teaching is making jokes with Anthony Shaver about the Oklahoma Sooners." Casey Crow
"My favorite memory is one from Valentine's Day. I told one of my students that I only made cards for the people I liked. I said, 'Too bad there isn't one for you.' She replied, 'Miss Lianna, you do like me.' Later, I handed her a card with her name on it. She said, 'See, you do like me.'" Lianna Spurling

Kerry Hockman and one of her kindergarten students in Laura Warbritton's class. (Jordan Meyers photo)


Jordyn Tolliver (Wendy Hardman's cadet) works with a first grade student on reading.

> (Jordan Meyers photo)

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Katie Asher works with a student in her first grade class with Sara Glydwell. (Jordan Meyers photo)

## Counseling \& Guidance Department ......:



Counselor secretary Donna Ford and guidance counselors Charla Dickerson and Tonya Dimmitt

Sophomores Jayden Roberts and Shane Kottwitz practice their business skills through marketing a product in Panther Pathways. (James Smith photo)

Guidance counselor Charla Dickerson discusses freshman enrollment with secretary Donna Ford. (Jordan Meyers photo)


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during Panther Path Prow and Chloe Armontrout


The 2008 Honors Luncheon held at the Methodist church. (Jordan Meyers photo)

## Our Biggest Panther Fans

They are with us day in and day out

Rebecca Aguayo Mary Albright Jill Angell Jamie Armontrout Caroline Banks June Beasley

Danielle Bennett Erle Bennett Amy Blades Brian Brown Kathy Brown Terri Brunner

Sara Bunker Cathy Colston Charla Dickerson Tonya Dimmitt Tom Fair
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Not pictured: Don Bagley, Ronnie Beamer, Mary Blake, Valerie Brightwell, Marcia Brooks, Christy Curtis, Larry Findlay, Mike Hall, Tonya Hann, Rhoni Hatton, Christy Heaney, Debbie Henry, Mike Holder, Jim Hollis, Bob Jerman, Laura Koppinger, Sarah Liptak, Debbie McIntire, Michael Shaffer, Palmer Stelzer, Edgar Thomas, Richard Trask

Dylan Aitkens Aaron Albright Nels Anderson Erin Andrews Savannah Angell

## Class

 ofDesi Baucom Rachel Beck Jessica Bell Kelsey Benoit Justin Benson

Charlie Besalke Andi Blackwell Jack Boening Connor Brooks Ashley Carlson

Cameron Cloven
Justin Cole Kaleb Colwell Casey Coronado James Couch Stuart Cox
Kaylee Creel
Morgan Creel
Thomas Crum
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Levi Dickerson Kati Dieckmann Skyler Dingwell

Dax Dollens Heidi Downey



Gina Olsen Amber Orth Autumn Orth Curtis Papen Megan Pearson


Marc Schmidt Mitch Schmidt Kaitlyn Smith Sean Smith
Stephanie Sons



Not pictured
Melanie Griffith
Alli Smith
Hannah Welch


Dillion Adkisson
Chloe Armontrout
Travis Banks
Mary Bardwell
Lacey Baucom
Cameron Beard

Jay Bell Joel Bohlmeyer Sean Brix Ashley Brooks Sandy Burdette $\square$ OSS Shelby Burnett

Lucas Caples Kit Carlson Ally Clark Lex Clarkson Garrison Colston Jason Cornelison

Michael Corwin Andy Coulter
Brady Creel
Emily Crow
Jennifer Crum
Thomas Cunningham

Amber Duncan
Dustin Duran
Jamie Eaves
Grant Elsbury
Marion Enke
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ELECTING CHANGE
Using the campaign slogan, "Change we can believe in," Democrat Barack Obama won the 2008 election to become the 44th president of the United States. Obama, 47 , is the first African-American to lead the nation. After his election, Obama quickly began selecting his cabinet, including asking New York Sen. Hillary Clinton, who he defeated to win the Democratic nomination, to be secretary of state.

## HISTORIC ELECTION *

To win the Democratic nomination, Obama defeated New York Sen. Hilla Clinton, the former first lady and the person considered the front-runne of her party. The highly charged campaign included five other seriou Democrat candidates. The Republican field was even bigger, with McCain coming from behind to best eight others to win his party's nomination.

DRAWING A CROWD
People came to hear Obama speak during the campaign. His Democra Party nomination acceptance speech was held at Invesco Stadium, abou two miles from the convention center in Denver, to enable more than 70,000 people to attend. On election night, Obama held a victory rally in Grant Park, attended by 225,000 people.



POLITICIANS BUSTED * Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich faced federal corruption charges for allegedly trying to sell or trade Barack Obama's Illinois senate seat. U.S. Sen. Ted Stevens of Alaska was convicted of trying to conceal home renovations and other gifts from an oil industry contractor. And Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick pled guilty to obstruction of justice and
 resigned amid a sex scandal.

## MAKE IT TWO FOR TIM $\gamma$

Quarterback Tim Tebow led the Florida Gators to their second college football national championship in three years, when they defeated Oklahoma in the BCS title game, 24-14. However, the championship did not come without debate. Several other teamsincluding Utah, Texas and USC - continued to question why there was no playoff system and staked their own claim to the crown.

## GAS UP, GAS DOWN $\mathbf{Y}$

After a record high of $\$ 4.11$ per gallon on July 17, gasoline prices were down $60 \%$ to a five-year low of $\$ 1.63$ during the last week of December, according to the American Automobile Association. Prices began rising again in early 2009. Despite the lower prices, Americans continued to drive less.

## GREENING OF AMERICA 4

Going green affected several aspects of daily life. Reusable shopping bags became a fashion statement. Buying locally produced food saved on gasoline and meant fresher tastes. And at home, more people began buying compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFL) as incandescent bulbs will be phased out in a few years. CFLs save energy and add a new shape to lighting fixtures.



BACK IN THE SPOTLIGHT A
The comeback of actor Robert Downey Jr. from a serious drug problem became complete this year when he landed the lead role in the hit movie Iron Man. Downey followed it up with another critically praised role in the comedy Tropic Thunder.

A MORE URGENT NEED A
Rising oil prices and continued climate changes made the search for alternative, renewable sources of energy a more prevalent topic of discussion. Solutions like wind farms, using large turbines, became more common.

WHO CAN YOU TRUST? A
Investors ranging from small charities to major international banks appeared to have lost about $\$ 50$ million in a fraudulent investment allegedly devised by a former chairman of the Nasdaq Stock Market. Bernard Madoff, 70, was charged with securities fraud in what might be one of the biggest fraud cases ever.

GAMES TO REMEMBER $\boldsymbol{r}$ )
American swimmer Michael Phelps made history at the Summer Olympics in Beijing, China, by becoming the first athlete ever to win eight gold medals at one Olympics. During his breathtaking week in the pool, seven of Phelps' eight victories were new world records.

But Phelps was not the only American making history at the Beijing games. Kobe Bryant led the men's basketball team, dubbed the "Redeem Team," to a gold medal and helped vindicate U.S basketball after a poor showing four years ago. Nastia Liukin won the women's gymnastics all-around and tied the American record for most gymnastics medals at one Olympics with five.

Perhaps the fastest-rising star outside of Phelps' pool was Jamaica's Usain Bolt, who ran a 9.69 in the 100 meters to win the gold and


2008 OLYMPICS MEDAL COUNT

|  | TOTAL | GOLD | SILVER | BRONZE |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 - United States | 110 | 36 | 38 | 36 |
| 2 - China | 100 | 51 | 21 | 28 |
| 3 - Russia | 72 | 23 | 21 | 28 |
| 4 - Great Britain | 47 | 19 | 13 | 15 |
| 5 - Australia | 46 | 14 | 15 | 17 |



DNA SELF TEST $\gamma$
Over-the-counter home DNA tests could now be found at the local drugstore. Kits and results could be purchased for as little as $\$ 200$, and all they required was a swab of saliva. However, debates raged on the accuracy of the tests, as well as the ethical concerns.

## GREEN MACHINE $Y$

The Boston Celtics re-emerged as the dominant team in basketball when they defeated the L.A. Lakers to win the 2008 NBA title. Then, the Celtics picked up where they left off by beginning the new season winning 27 of


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NO JOKE A
Anchored by the haunting, tragic final performance of the late Heath Ledger as the Joker, Batman sequel The Dark Knight drew rave reviews and shattered box office records. Earning more than $\$ 500$ million, The Dark Knight became one of the most commercially successful American movies ever made.

## ROCKETS AND RETALIATION 4

Israel declared war with Hamas, the Islamic militant group that rules Gaza, in an effort to stop continued rocket attacks from Gaza into southern Is rael. Israeli officials said they were targeting militants in its air and ground assault of Gaza, while Hamas said it would continue to defend its people against Israeli aggression. The Israeli offensive lasted 22 days.


ANOTHER TROUBLING ADMISSION * New York Yankees third baseman Alex Rodriguez, a 12 -time All Star and three-time MVP, shocked many when he confirmed published reports indicating he had used performance enhancing drugs during the 2001-03 seasons. Rodriguez's admission came after news surfaced that had failed a confidential drug test in 2003. Despite his apology, Rodriguez's legacy was immediately debated.

PRESERVING THE PLANET > The Global Seed Vault was built ir Norway, where it holds and preserves thousands of seed types from arounc the globe should a major catastroph

DRIVER DISTRACTION A
Investigators said a Los Angeles Metrolink train engineer appeared to have been texting job prior to a crash that killed 25 people an injured 130 in September. It was not immediatel known whether the engineer was texting at the tim of the crash, however, investigators said the brake were not applied before the crash.

MILLIONS GO SLUMMING
Slumdog Millionaire, the story of an inner-city teen from India who strikes it rich on a popular TV gameshow, won Best Picture at the Oscars. Th rest of the nominees included Milk, The Reader Frost/Nixon and The Curious Case of Benjamin Button.


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SOME JUICY GOSSIP
Gossip Girl, the TV drama based on the series of books of the same name, continued to get strong ratings from the teen crowd. There were even rumors that the show, centered on the lives of socialite New York City teens, could lead to spin-offs.

JUICE GOES TO JAIL
Former Heisman trophy winner O.J. Simpson began serving at least nine years in prison for his conviction in the robbery of sports memorabilia from dealers in a Las Vegas hotel room in 2007. The trial garnered fewer headlines than his 1995 trial, in which he was acquitted of the murders of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and Ron Goldman.

FAR-REACHING STORM >
Hurricane Ike devastated Galveston, Texas, wher
it hit Sept. 13, and caused damage and powe
outages in at least 10 states from Texas to Ohic
At least 34 people were still missing at the end or


PIRATING FLOURISHES >
A multinational task team led by the U.S. Navy was cracking down on pirates off the coast of Somalia. In February, the U.S. Navy made its first arrests of pirates on behal of the team. Piracy has become big business and a big nuisance in the Gulf of Aden. In 2008, pirates attacked almost 100 vessels, hijacked at least 40 and receiver estimated $\$ 150$ million in ransoms.

LIVING THE GOOD LIFE $Y$
British altemative rock band Coldplay released the album they spent the previous two years working on, Viva la Vida or Death and All His Friends, and became one of the best selling records of the year. The quartet also landed



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[^0]:    Stuart Cox works out a problem on the Smartboard. (Whitney Orth photo)

